

Paso Basin Cooperative Committee

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Matt Turrentine, Alternate, Shandon-San Juan WD

Agenda

October 18, 2017

**Agenda for a meeting of the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Cooperative Committee to be held on
October 18, 2017 at 12:00 PM, at the EOC Main Conference Room
(900 Park Street, Paso Robles, CA 93446)**

- 1. Call to order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4. Introductions and Appointment of Officers (Heritage Ranch CSD) Scott Duffield**
 - a. Chair
 - b. Vice-Chair
 - c. Secretary/ Clerk
- 5. Public Comment – Items not on Agenda**
- 6. Presentation on the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SLO County) Angela Ruberto**
- 7. Overview of Memorandum of Agreement (Shandon-San Juan WD) Willy Cunha**
 - a. Roles and responsibilities
- 8. Update on Groundwater Sustainability Plan (City of Paso) Dick McKinley**
 - a. Grant application development
 - b. Consider authorizing Chair to work with staff to execute a letter of support to the State Department of Water Resources for the Paso Basin grant application
 - c. RFP development and issuance
- 9. Consider establishment of ad-hoc committee(s) (San Miguel CSD) Blaine Reely**
 - a. To develop recommended annual budget consistent with MOA Section 5.2
 - b. To review and participate in selection of a GSP consultant
- 10. Establish Future Meeting Schedule and Determine Location (SLO County) Angela Ruberto**
- 11. Request for Future Items**
 - a. Development of a stakeholder participation plan
 - b. Consider recommended annual budgets for consideration and approval of the Parties
 - c. Consider confirming GSP consultant and related contract
 - d. Receive update on grant application submittal/ State review and award process
- 12. Adjourn**

PASO BASIN COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE
October 18, 2017

Agenda Item 4 – Appointment of Officers
(Action Item)

Subject

Appointment of Paso Basin Cooperative Committee Officers

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee (Committee):

1. Motion to appoint a Committee member to the position of Committee Chairperson.
2. Motion to appoint a Committee member to the position of Committee Vice Chairperson.
3. Discuss role of Committee Secretary/Clerk and administration, and provide direction to staff.

Prepared By

Scott Duffield, Heritage Ranch Community Services District

Background

The City of Paso Robles, the San Miguel Community Services District, the Heritage Ranch Community Services District, the County of San Luis Obispo, and the Shandon San Juan Water District (Parties), entered into a Memorandum of Agreement regarding preparation of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin (MOA) in August 2017.

The MOA provides for establishment of the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee, which is composed of a member and alternate member from each of the Parties.

The role and activities of the Committee are outlined in Section 4 of the MOA.

Discussion

This is the first meeting of the Committee. Appointments of officers are appropriate at this time. The appointment of Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson are as stated in the recommendation.

The role of Committee Secretary/Clerk and administrative duties has been discussed amongst a work group consisting of staff from the Parties. The work group has talked about not needing to hire Committee staff, but rather rotating Secretary/Clerk and administrative roles. These efforts may include but are not limited to:

- Act as Secretary/ Clerk at assigned meeting (e.g. conducting roll call votes, etc.)
- Provide Legal Counsel at assigned meeting to respond to Brown Act, SGMA, etc. questions (not to give advice since they only work for one Party)

- Draft meeting minutes & route to Parties' staff for review following assigned meeting
- Coordinate meetings location/time/date & equipment as needed
- Develop draft agenda & assign "leads"/ deadlines to Parties' staff; route to Parties' staff for review & commitments
- Coordinate with Parties' staff, speakers, and/or consultants to ensure meeting is prepared
- Coordinate ad hoc committees

Discussion and direction to staff is requested.

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PASO BASIN COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE
October 18, 2017

Agenda Item 7 – MOA for GSP preparation for the Paso Basin
(Discussion Item)

Subject

Overview of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee (Committee):

Receive an overview of the MOA and formally recognize that the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee and any subcommittees, consultants, contractors and/or vendors it hires will be operating under the structure and directions laid out in the MOA.

Prepared By

Willy Cunha, Shandon-San Juan Water District/GSA

Background

Six Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSA) have been formed over the Paso Basin; these include the City of El Paso de Robles (“City”), San Miguel Community Services District (“SMCSD”), Heritage Ranch Community Services District (“HRCSD”), Shandon-San Juan Water District (“SSJWD”), the County of San Luis Obispo (“County”) and, in Monterey County, the Salinas Valley Basin GSA (“SVBGSA”).

Discussion

The GSAs within the Paso Basin, except for SVBGSA, collaboratively developed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the purpose of establishing the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee to develop a single GSP over the portion of the Paso Basin within San Luis Obispo County. The MOA is intended to serve as an efficient tool to guide the GSAs in completing a practical and acceptable GSP to ensure a sustainable groundwater resource for all those in the basin who rely upon it. Each Party reviewed, discussed and ultimately approved the MOA.

It should be noted that the coordination in the Paso Basin may evolve over the coming months and will be brought back to the Committee for further discussion. One potential change in the basin is that if the Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District (“EPCWD”) is formed and becomes a GSA within its service area, and the County Board of Supervisors decides to withdraw from serving as the GSA within said area, the EPCWD may become a Party to the MOA by signing the Addition of Party form attached to the MOA. Additionally, while the MOA does not formally include roles for either the Salinas Valley Basin GSA (for areas of the Paso Basin in Monterey County) or the Atascadero Basin, the MOA provides for the committee to coordinate with neighboring GSAs and GSPs in the Salinas Valley Groundwater Basins.

Attached

1. Memorandum of Agreement Regarding Preparation of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin

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**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT REGARDING
PREPARATION OF A GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN
FOR THE PASO ROBLES GROUNDWATER BASIN**

This Memorandum of Agreement regarding Preparation of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin (“MOA”) is entered into by and between the City of El Paso de Robles (“City”), the San Miguel Community Services District (“SMCSD”), the Heritage Ranch Community Services District (“HRCSD”), the County of San Luis Obispo (“County”) and the Shandon-San Juan Water District (“SSJWD”) (each referred to individually as a “Party” and collectively as the “Parties”) for purposes of preparing a groundwater sustainability plan for the Paso Robles Area Subbasin.

Recitals

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2014, Governor Jerry Brown signed into law Senate Bills 1168 and 1319 and Assembly Bill 1739, known collectively as the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (Water Code §§ 10720 *et seq.*) (“SGMA”), which became effective on January 1, 2015 and which have been and may continue to be amended from time to time; and

WHEREAS, SGMA requires the establishment of a groundwater sustainability agency (“GSA”) or agencies for all basins designated as medium or high priority by the California Department of Water Resources (“DWR”) on or before June 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, SGMA further requires the adoption of a groundwater sustainability plan (“GSP”) or coordinated GSPs for all basins designated by DWR as high or medium priority and subject to critical conditions of overdraft on or before January 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, DWR has designated the Paso Robles Area Subbasin (Basin No. 3-004.06) (“Basin”) as a high priority basin subject to critical conditions of overdraft; and

WHEREAS, each of the Parties has decided to become the GSA within its respective service area overlying the Basin and has informed DWR of its decision and intent to undertake sustainable groundwater management therein; and

WHEREAS, each of the Parties desires to collectively develop and implement a single GSP to sustainably manage the portions of the Basin underlying their combined service areas (*i.e.* all portions of the Basin located within the County of San Luis Obispo); and

WHEREAS, the Parties share the common goal of cost effective, sustainable groundwater management that considers the interests and concerns of all beneficial uses and users of groundwater within the Basin; and

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2017, the San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission conditionally approved the formation of the Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District (“EPCWD”), subject to, among other things, a successful vote on the formation pursuant to Water Code Section 34500, for purposes of serving as a GSA within its service area; and

WHEREAS, the EPCWD, if formed, will not be formed until after the June 30, 2017 deadline, and the County included the potential service area of the EPCWD within the Paso Basin – County of San Luis Obispo Groundwater Sustainability Agency that the County formed on May 16, 2017 by Resolution 2017-134; and

WHEREAS, the Parties acknowledge the cooperative efforts of the working group, including representatives of each Party and the applicant and several petitioners desiring to form the EPCWD, that commenced meeting in August 2016 and that culminated in this MOA; and

WHEREAS, this MOA provides for the future addition of EPCWD as a Party to this MOA provided that certain conditions are satisfied, including, but not limited to, a successful vote on the formation of the EPCWD pursuant to Water Code Section 34500 and the County Board of Supervisors decides to withdraw from serving as the GSA for the EPCWD service area; and

WHEREAS, the active involvement and cooperation of all users of groundwater within the Basin is highly valued by the Parties and their continued willing cooperation in SGMA implementation is deemed critical for successful sustainable management of the Basin.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is mutually understood and agreed as follows:

**Section 1
Purpose**

The purpose of this MOA is to establish a committee to develop a single GSP that will be considered for adoption by each individual Party and subsequently submitted to DWR for approval. This MOA may also serve as the basis for continued cooperation among the Parties in the management of the Basin during the period between adoption of the GSP by each Party and approval of the GSP by DWR. As more specifically set forth in Section 12.2 below, this MOA shall automatically terminate upon DWR’s approval of the GSP for the Basin.

**Section 2
Term**

This MOA shall become effective on the date that the last of the five (5) Parties signs (“Effective Date”) and shall remain in effect until terminated in accordance with Section 9.2 or Section 12.2 below.

Section 3
EPCWD

If and only if the EPCWD is formed and its Board of Directors decides to become the GSA within its service area and the County Board of Supervisors decides to withdraw from serving as the GSA within said area, the EPCWD may become a Party to this Agreement by signing the Addition of Party to Memorandum of Agreement regarding Preparation of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (“Addition”) provided that the County Board of Supervisors has accepted the Addition as part of its decision to withdraw.

Section 4
Paso Basin Cooperative Committee

4.1 The Parties hereby establish the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee (“Cooperative Committee”) which shall be composed of a member and alternate member from each of the five (5) Parties.

4.2 The governing body of each Party shall promptly appoint a member and alternate member to the Cooperative Committee. Each Cooperative Committee member and alternate member shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing Party, and may be removed from the Cooperative Committee by the appointing Party at any time. Each Cooperative Committee member’s compensation, if any, for his or her service on the Cooperative Committee shall be the responsibility of the appointing Party.

4.3 If and only if the EPCWD becomes a Party to this MOA in accordance with Section 3 of this MOA, the Cooperative Committee shall also include a member and alternate member from the EPCWD appointed by the EPCWD.

4.4 The Cooperative Committee shall conduct activities related to GSP development and SGMA implementation at the pleasure and under the guidance of the Parties, including, but not limited to:

- A. Development of a GSP that achieves the goals and objectives outlined in SGMA;
- B. Review and participation in the selection of consultants related to Cooperative Committee efforts, as more specifically set forth in Section 6 below;
- C. Development of recommended annual budgets and additional funding needs for consideration and approval of the Parties and development of a record of expenditures, in accordance with and subject to Section 5 below. Consistent with Section 7 below, it is expected that each of the Parties will contribute in-kind staff support; therefore, recommended annual budgets

- shall generally not include the staff or overhead costs of any Party associated with participation in this MOA;
- D. Development of a plan that describes the anticipated tasks to be performed under this MOA and a schedule for performing said tasks;
 - E. Implementation of the actions and/or policies undertaken pursuant to this MOA and resolution of any issues related to these actions and/or policies;
 - F. Development of measures that may be implemented in the event insufficient or unsatisfactory progress is being made in development of the GSP;
 - G. Development of a stakeholder participation plan that includes public outreach and education programs and workshops as appropriate and that involves the interested stakeholders in developing and implementing the GSP (*e.g.* workshops at key milestones); if determined necessary by the Cooperative Committee and supported by the Parties, the Cooperative Committee may lead implementation of the stakeholder participation plan or other stakeholder engagement activities;
 - H. Establishment from time to time of one or more standing or *ad hoc* committees to assist in carrying out the purposes and objectives of the Cooperative Committee as may be necessary;
 - I. Recommendation that each individual Party adopt the GSP developed under this MOA;
 - J. Resolution of differences among the Parties;
 - K. Coordination with neighboring GSAs in the Salinas Valley Groundwater Basin and with neighboring GSPs as may be required and/or to ensure no adverse effects.

4.5 The Cooperative Committee shall meet at least quarterly to carry out the activities described above. The Cooperative Committee shall prepare and maintain minutes of its meetings, and all meetings of the Cooperative Committee shall be conducted in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act (Government Code §§ 54950 *et seq.*). A majority of the members of the Cooperative Committee shall constitute a quorum for purposes of transacting business, except that less than a quorum may vote to adjourn the meeting. Attendance at all Cooperative Committee meetings may be augmented to include Parties' staff or consultants to ensure that the appropriate expertise is available.

4.6 Subject to Section 4.7 below, on all matters considered by the Cooperative Committee, the vote of each member shall be weighted in accordance with the following percentages:

City Member	15%
SMCSD Member	3%
HRCSD Member	1%

SSJWD Member	20%
County Member	61%

4.7 If and only if the EPCWD becomes a Party to this MOA in accordance with Section 3 of this MOA, the voting percentages set forth in Section 4.6 shall be modified as follows:

City Member	15%
SMCSD Member	3%
HRCSD Member	1%
SSJWD Member	20%
County Member	32%
EPCWD Member	29%

4.8 Any action or recommendation considered by the Cooperative Committee shall require the affirmative vote of 67 percent based on the percentages set forth in Section 4.6 or 4.7 above, as applicable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the following shall require the affirmative vote of 100 percent based on the percentages set forth in Section 4.6 or 4.7 above, as applicable: (A) a recommendation that each of the Parties adopt the GSP or adopt any amendment thereto prepared in response to comments from DWR and (B) a recommendation that the Parties amend this MOA. For purposes of determining whether the requisite voting threshold has been met, the voting percentage of each member must be included in the calculation with the following limited exception: in the event that a member recuses himself or herself (A) said member's voting percentage shall be allocated *pro rata* to the other members for purposes of determining whether the 67 percent threshold has been met and (B) said members' affirmative vote shall not be required to reach the 100 percent threshold (i.e. all members who have not recused themselves must vote in the affirmative). Without limiting the foregoing, an absence by any member(s) shall not result in any *pro rata* distribution for purposes of determining whether the 67 percent threshold has been met or result in elimination of the requirement that said member vote in the affirmative for purposes of determining whether the 100 percent threshold has been met.

4.9 The creation of the Cooperative Committee shall not be construed as a delegation of any powers or authorities, and all powers and authorities of each individual Party shall reside with that Party.

**Section 5
Funding**

5.1 The Fiscal Year of the Cooperative Committee shall be July 1 through June 30.

5.2 For Fiscal Years 2017 – 2018, 2018 – 2019 and 2019 – 2020, the Cooperative Committee shall develop a recommended budget for consideration by each Party. Subject to each Party's approval of the budget for the relevant Fiscal Year, each Party shall be responsible

for funding a portion of said budgeted costs in accordance with the percentages set forth in Section 4.6 or Section 4.7 above, as applicable. Neither the Cooperative Committee nor any Party on behalf of the Cooperative Committee shall make any financial expenditures or incur any financial obligations or liabilities pursuant to this MOA for Fiscal Years 2017 – 2018, 2018 – 2019 or 2019 – 2020 prior to approval of the budget for the relevant Fiscal Year by each Party.

5.3 For Fiscal Year 2020 – 2021 and following, the Cooperative Committee shall develop a recommended budget and recommended contribution percentages for consideration by each Party. Subject to each Party’s approval of the budget and its contribution percentage, each Party shall be responsible for funding a portion of said budgeted costs in accordance with the percentages approved by each Party. Neither the Cooperative Committee nor any Party on behalf of the Cooperative Committee shall make any financial expenditures or incur any financial obligations or liabilities pursuant to this MOA for Fiscal Year 2020 – 2021 and following prior to approval of the budget and contribution percentages for the relevant Fiscal Year by each Party.

5.4 It is anticipated that the vast majority of budgeted costs will involve costs for consultant services. Consequently, most contributions shall be paid to the City in the manner described in Section 6.6 below. For budgeted costs that do not involve consultant services (if any), the Cooperative Committee shall determine the manner in which such contributions shall be paid consistent with Section 5.2 and Section 5.3 above.

5.5 The Cooperative Committee shall make recommendations related to any additional non-budgeted funding needs, but shall have no authority to require any Party to contribute funds over and above those included in the budgets approved by each Party.

5.6 On an annual basis, the Cooperative Committee and/or contracting agent shall provide the Parties with a record of expenditures from the previous Fiscal Year related to this MOA.

Section 6 Engagement of Consultants

6.1 It is anticipated that the Cooperative Committee will desire to retain the services of one or more consultants in conducting the activities identified in Section 4.4 above, including, but not necessarily limited to, its development of the GSP.

6.2 The City agrees to act as the contracting agent on behalf of the Cooperative Committee and shall follow its own procurement policies in the engagement of such consultant(s) subject to Section 6.3 below.

6.3 The City agrees that the Parties and the Cooperative Committee shall be included in the selection of any consultant retained by the City on behalf of the Cooperative Committee.

More specifically, staff representatives from each of the Parties shall be given an opportunity to review and approve all requests for proposals prior to their release and to participate in the various stages of the selection process, including, but not limited to, review of proposals and participation on interview panels. In addition, the City shall not issue a notice to proceed to any selected consultant until the Cooperative Committee has confirmed the consultant and related contract.

6.4 The Cooperative Committee may request that the City terminate a consultant contract entered into on behalf of the Cooperative Committee subject to and in accordance with the terms specified in the contract.

6.5 All consultant contracts entered into by the City on behalf of the Cooperative Committee shall include the following: (A) a provision that the consultant shall not commence work until a notice to proceed is issued and acknowledgement that a notice to proceed will not be issued until the Cooperative Committee confirms the consultant and contract; (B) a provision requiring that the consultant name each Party, its employees, officers and agents as an additional insured; and (C) an expected spend plan estimating the amount of the not to exceed contract amount that the consultant expects to invoice the City each month.

6.6 Upon receipt of each invoice from a consultant retained on behalf of the Cooperative Committee, the City shall calculate each Party's payment obligation based on the percentages set forth in Section 4.6 or Section 4.7, as applicable, or on the percentages approved by each Party as set forth in Section 5.3, depending on the Fiscal Year. The City shall submit an invoice to each Party showing the foregoing calculation, and each Party shall remit payment to the City within thirty (30) days.

Section 7 Roles and Responsibilities of the Parties

In addition to performance of the roles and responsibilities set forth above related to, among other things, appointment of members and alternate members to the Cooperative Committee, consideration of annual budgets and cost contributions and participation in the selection of consultants, the Parties shall:

- A. Work to jointly to meet the objectives of this MOA through, among other things, coordination of all activities related to fulfillment of said objectives;
- B. Internally or jointly designate a staff person(s) to provide expertise and existing information in a timely manner and to participate in the development of the GSP and/or related technical studies and/or other materials or actions being considered by the Cooperative Committee;
- C. Upon recommendation of the Cooperative Committee, consider adoption of the GSP and, as defined in the GSP once approved, implement the GSP within its respective GSA service area. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing contained

in this MOA shall be construed as obligating any Party to adopt the GSP developed under this MOA, or as preventing any Party from adopting the GSP developed under this MOA in the event that the Cooperative Committee fails to recommend approval or another Party (or Parties) elects not to adopt the GSP developed under this MOA;

- D. Bring any dispute over any of the activities discussed in this MOA to the Cooperative Committee in order to provide the Cooperative Committee with an opportunity to resolve the dispute.

Section 8

Interagency Communication and Providing Proper Notice

8.1 In order to provide for consistent and effective communication among the Parties, each Party agrees to designate a representative as its central point of contact on all matters relating to this MOA and the GSP. Additional representatives from the community or staff may be appointed to serve as points of contact on specific actions or issues.

8.2 All notices, statements or payments related to implementing the objectives of this MOA shall be deemed to have been duly given if given in writing and delivered electronically, personally or mailed by first-class, registered, or certified mail to the Parties at the addresses set forth in Exhibit B. Notwithstanding any other provision of this MOA, the Parties may update Exhibit B from time to time without formally amending this MOA.

Section 9

Withdrawal and Termination

9.1 Any Party may unilaterally withdraw from this MOA without causing or requiring termination of this MOA. Withdrawal shall become effective upon thirty (30) days written notice to the remaining Parties' designated addresses as listed in Exhibit B. Nothing contained in this Section 9 shall be construed as prohibiting a Party that has withdrawn from this MOA from developing its own GSP for its service area within the Basin. A Party that has withdrawn from this MOA shall remain obligated to pay its percentage cost share of expenses and obligations as outlined in the current budget incurred, accrued or encumbered up to the date the Party provided notice of withdrawal, including, but not limited to, its cost share obligation under any existing consultant contract for which the City has issued a notice to proceed. If a Party withdraws, the Cooperative Committee shall reassess the contributions of each remaining Party to fund the current budget and determine if the Cooperative Committee needs to request the contribution of additional funding from the governing board of each Party.

9.2 This MOA may be terminated upon unanimous written consent of all current Parties.

**Section 10
Amendments**

This MOA may be amended only by unanimous written consent of all current Parties. Approval from a Party is valid only after that Party's governing body approves the amendment at a public meeting. Neither individual Cooperative Committee members nor individual members of the Parties' governing boards have the authority, express or implied, to amend, modify, waive or in any way alter this MOA or the terms and conditions hereof.

**Section 11
Indemnification**

No Party, nor any officer or employee of a Party, shall be responsible for any damage or liability occurring by reason of anything done or omitted to be done by another Party under or in connection with this MOA. The Parties further agree, pursuant to Government Code Section 895.4, that each Party shall fully indemnify and hold harmless each other Party and its agents, officers, employees and contractors from and against all claims, damages, losses, judgments, liabilities, expenses and other costs, including litigation costs and attorney fees, arising out of, resulting from, or in connection with any work delegated to or action taken or omitted to be taken by such Party under this MOA.

**Section 12
Miscellaneous**

12.1 Execution in Counterparts. This MOA may be executed in counterparts.

12.2 Automatic Termination of MOA. This MOA shall automatically terminate upon DWR's approval of the adopted GSP. Depending on the content of the GSP, the Parties may decide to enter into a new agreement to coordinate GSP implementation.

12.3 Choice of Law. This MOA is made in the State of California, under the Constitution and laws of said State and is to be so construed.

12.4 Severability. If any provision of this MOA is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall remain in force and unaffected to the fullest extent permitted by law and regulation.

12.5 Entire Agreement. This MOA constitutes the sole, entire, integrated and exclusive agreement between the Parties regarding the contents herein. Any other contracts, agreements, terms, understandings, promises, representations not expressly set forth or referenced in this writing are null and void and of no force and effect.

12.6 Construction and Interpretation. The Parties agree and acknowledge that this MOA has been developed through negotiation, and that each Party has had a full and fair

opportunity to revise the terms of this MOA. Consequently, the normal rule of construction that any ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party shall not apply in construing or interpreting this MOA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this MOA on the dates shown below.

CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES

SHANDON SAN JUAN WATER DISTRICT

By: _____
Tom Frutchey

By: _____
Willy Cunha

Its: City Manager

Its: President, Board of Directors

Date: _____

Date: _____

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LEGAL EFFECT:

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By: _____

Its: _____

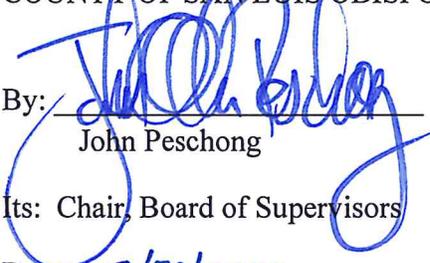
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COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

HERITAGE RANCH COMMUNITY SERVICES
DISTRICT

By: 
John Peschong

By: _____
Scott Duffield

Its: Chair, Board of Supervisors

Its: General Manager

Date: 8/22/2017

Date: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL EFFECT:

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LEGAL EFFECT:

By: 

By: _____

Its: 

Its: _____

Date: 2/10/2017

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Tommy Gong, County Clerk-Recorder and
Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By, 
Deputy Clerk

opportunity to revise the terms of this MOA. Consequently, the normal rule of construction that any ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party shall not apply in construing or interpreting this MOA.

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CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES

SHANDON SAN JUAN WATER DISTRICT

By: THOMAS FRUTCHEY
Tom Frutchey *TF*

By: _____
Willy Cunha

Its: City Manager

Its: President, Board of Directors

Date: 9-20-17

Date: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL EFFECT:

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By: J. P. Yap
Its: City Attorney
Date: 9/20/17

By: _____
Its: _____
Date: _____

COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

HERITAGE RANCH COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

By: _____
John Peschong

By: _____
Scott Duffield

Its: Chair, Board of Supervisors

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SHANDON SAN JUAN WATER DISTRICT

By: _____
Tom Frutchey

By: Willy Cunha
Willy Cunha

Its: City Manager

Its: President, Board of Directors

Date: _____

Date: 7-26-2017

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APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL EFFECT:

By: _____

By: Paul Woodbridge
Paul Woodbridge, LLP
Its: District Counsel

Its: _____

Its: _____

Date: _____

Date: 7/26/17

COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

HERITAGE RANCH COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

By: _____
John Peschong

By: _____
Scott Duffield

Its: Chair, Board of Supervisors

Its: General Manager

Date: _____

Date: _____

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SHANDON SAN JUAN WATER DISTRICT

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Tom Frutchey

By: _____
Willy Cunha

Its: City Manager

Its: President, Board of Directors

Date: _____

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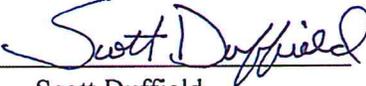
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COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

HERITAGE RANCH COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

By: _____
John Peschong

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Scott Duffield

Its: Chair, Board of Supervisors

Its: General Manager

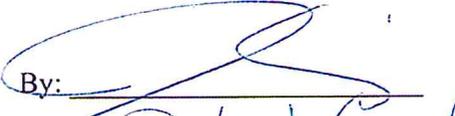
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By: _____

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District Counsel

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Its: _____

Date: _____

Date: 7/26/17

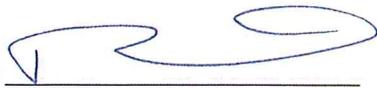
SAN MIGUEL COMMUNITY
SERVICES DISTRICT

By: 
Rob Roberson

Its: Interim General Manager

Date: 8/29/2017

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL EFFECT:

By: 

Its: Douglas White

Date: 9/6/17

EXHIBIT A

Addition of Party to Memorandum of Agreement regarding Preparation of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin

WHEREAS, certain local agencies that each decided to become the groundwater sustainability agency within their respective service areas overlying the Paso Robles Area Subbasin (Basin No. 3-004.06) have entered into an agreement entitled “Memorandum of Agreement regarding Preparation of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin” (“Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, the Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District (“EPCWD”) could not be an original signatory to the Agreement, because it had not yet been formed; and

WHEREAS, Section 3 of the Agreement sets forth the process by which the EPCWD can become a party to the Agreement provided that certain conditions are met; and

WHEREAS, the EPCWD has received and reviewed a copy of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, on _____, the EPCWD Board of Directors held a public hearing and by Resolution _____ decided to become the groundwater sustainability agency within its service area and a signatory to the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, on _____, the County of San Luis Obispo Board of Supervisors held a public hearing and by Resolution _____ decided to withdraw from serving as the groundwater sustainability agency within the EPCWD’s service area and to accept the signature below.

NOW, THEREFORE, acknowledging that the recitals above are correct and are part of this agreement, the EPCWD, upon acceptance by signature below by the County of San Luis Obispo Board of Supervisors, shall become a party to the Agreement effective immediately. The EPCWD shall bear the benefits and enjoy the burdens of the Agreement as though the EPCWD had originally executed said Agreement as it now exists or may be amended in the future, and for so long as the Agreement remains in effect or for so long as the EPCWD is a party to the Agreement.

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED BY THE ESTRELLA-EL POMAR-CRESTON WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

By: _____ Date: _____

Its: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL EFFECT:

By: _____ Date: _____

Its: _____

Address for purposes of Exhibit B to the Agreement:

Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District

Attention: _____

**ACCEPTED AND APPROVED BY
THE COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN ACCORDANCE WITH
THE AGREEMENT:**

By: _____ Date: _____

Its: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL EFFECT:

By: _____ Date: _____

Its: _____

**EXHIBIT B
PARTY ADDRESS LIST**

County of San Luis Obispo
976 Osos Street, Room 206
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408
Attention: Wade Horton, Public Works Director

City of El Paso de Robles
1000 Spring Street
Paso Robles, CA 93451
Attention: Dick McKinley, Public Works Director

San Miguel Community Services District
1150 Mission Street
San Miguel, CA 93451
Attention: Rob Roberson, Interim General Manager

Heritage Ranch Community Services District
4870 Heritage Road
Paso Robles, CA 93446
Attention: Scott Duffield, General Manager

Shandon San Juan Water District
365 Truesdale Road PO Box 150
Shandon, CA 93461
Attention: Willy Cunha, President, Board of Directors

PASO BASIN COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE
October 18, 2017

Agenda Item 8 - Update on Groundwater Sustainability Plan
(Discussion Item)

Subject

Update on Groundwater Sustainability Plan

Recommendation

No recommendation as this is a discussion/information item only

Prepared By

Dick McKinley, City of Paso Robles/ City of Paso Robles GSA

Background

SGMA requires the preparation of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) for the Paso Robles Basin.

Discussion

This agenda item will update Committee members on the status of GSP efforts, timelines for the issuance of a Request For Proposal for consultant teams, plans for getting approval from all of the GSA partners, applying for grant funding, and completion of a GSP. A presentation to the Committee is planned, with adequate time for questions, answers and discussion.

Discussion and direction to staff is requested if appropriate.

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PASO BASIN COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE
October 18, 2017

Agenda Item 10 – Establish Meeting Schedule and Location(s)
(Action Item)

Subject

Establish meeting schedule and location for the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee (Committee):

Motion to establish quarterly meeting schedule and location for future Paso Basin Cooperative Committee meetings.

Prepared By

Angela Ruberto, County of San Luis Obispo

Discussion

Article 4.5 of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) forming the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee calls for quarterly meetings of the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee and states that attendance at all Cooperative Committee meetings may be augmented to include Parties' staff or consultants to ensure that the appropriate expertise is available.

Further, although SGMA specifies that local public agencies, mutual water companies and water corporations regulated by the Public Utilities Commission are the eligible GSA participants, stakeholder outreach requirements, coordination requirements, and the practical realities of preparing a GSP require the involvement of the entire community.

Therefore, in an effort to minimize challenges associated with coordination of many schedules and establish meeting times and locations conducive to public attendance, staff recommends that the Cooperative Committee set a regular quarterly meeting schedule and provide direction that meeting location will vary within the jurisdictional boundaries of the participating GSAs.

Discussion and direction to staff is requested.

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