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TO: Lassen County Board of Supervisors (acting as the
Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the portion of
the Big Valley Groundwater Basin in Lassen County)
(Agenda Date: May 17, 2022)

FROM: Maurice L. Anderson, Director

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SUBJECT Delegate Authority to the Director of the Planning and Building Services to apply
for grant funding to implement the Big Valley Groundwater Basin Groundwater
Sustainability Plan.

ACTION REQUESTED:

1. Receive report; and
2. Adopt resolution authorizing the Director of the Planning and Building Services
Department to submit grant applications(s) to implement the Big Valley Groundwater
Sustainability Plan; and/or
3. Provide direction to staff.

Summary:

The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) requires certain actions to implement the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) adopted by the Board of Supervisors on December 15, 2022. The Board recognizes that funding to implement said GSP is limited and that assistance from the state is required. As such, it is recommended that the Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing the Director of the Planning and Building Services Department to submit one or more grant applications to implement said GSP. If grant funding is tentatively awarded, staff will return the Board to allow consideration of adoption of one or more grant agreements.

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Enclosures

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LASSEN, ACTING AS THE GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY FOR ALL THOSE PORTIONS OF THE BIG VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN LOCATED WITHIN LASSEN COUNTY, TO DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE BIG VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN.

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2021, the Lassen County Board of Supervisors and Modoc County Board of Supervisors, acting as Groundwater Sustainability Agencies for the Big Valley Groundwater Basin, adopted resolutions approving the Big Valley Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) and authorizing GSA staff to submit said GSP to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) by the January 31, 2022, deadline, per requirements of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA); and

WHEREAS, SGMA requires Lassen County to take certain actions to implement said GSP; and

WHEREAS, funding to implement the GSP is limited and assistance is needed from the state; and

WHEREAS, the State of California, through the Department of Water Resources, has, in the past, solicited grant applications to implement SGMA; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that Lassen County will be eligible for grant funding for future actions required to implement the GSP

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to delegate authority to staff to submit applications to secure grant funds to implement the GSP, subject to approval of the associated grant agreement by the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors, acting as the Lassen County Groundwater Sustainability Agency, hereby delegates authority to the Director of the Planning and Building Services Department to submit grant applications to the Department of Water Resources or to any other state agency offering grant funding to implement the Big Valley GSP. Staff is directed to return to the Board for execution of a grant agreement prior to final acceptance of any grant that may be tentatively offered.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lassen, State of California, on the 17th day of May, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors
County of Lassen, State of California

Attest:
JULIE BUSTAMANTE
Clerk of the Board

By: _____
MICHELE YDERRAGA, Deputy Clerk of the Board

I, MICHELE YDERRAGA, Deputy Clerk of the Board of the Board of Supervisors, County of Lassen, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the said Board of Supervisors at a regular meeting thereof held on the 17th day of May, 2022.

Deputy Clerk of the County of Lassen Board of Supervisors

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