



County of Sonoma
State of California

Date: November 16, 2021

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

4/5 Vote Required

Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma

**And The Board of Directors Of The Sonoma County Water Agency, State Of California, In
Support of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan For The Petaluma Valley Groundwater Basin**

Whereas, the comprehensive groundwater legislation collectively enacted and referred to as the “Sustainable Groundwater Management Act” at California Water Code Section 10720 et seq. (SGMA) became effective on January 1, 2015; and

Whereas, the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) has designated the Petaluma Valley Groundwater Basin as a medium-priority basin, and therefore immediately subject to the requirements of SGMA; and

Whereas, per the requirements of SGMA, the Petaluma Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency was created in June 2017 through a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement, of which the County and Sonoma County Water Agency (Sonoma Water) are signatories; and

Whereas, all basins subject to SGMA are required to develop and to submit to DWR by January 31, 2022, Groundwater Sustainability Plans (Plans) that analyze historical, current and future basin conditions, determine whether the conditions are sustainable and describe projects and actions needed to maintain or achieve sustainability by 2042; and

Whereas, the Petaluma Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency has developed a draft Plan that meets the requirements of SGMA and subsequent regulations; and

Whereas, the Plan ensures that current and future groundwater resources will be protected for the benefit of all beneficial users of groundwater in the Petaluma Valley Groundwater Basin,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma and the Board of Directors of Sonoma Water support the adoption of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the Petaluma Valley Groundwater Basin.

Supervisors:

Gorin: Rabbitt: Coursey: Gore: Hopkins:

Ayes: Noes: Absent: Abstain:

So Ordered.

Directors:

Gorin: Rabbitt: Coursey: Gore: Hopkins:

Ayes: Noes: Absent: Abstain:

So Ordered.