



RESOLUTION NO. 2021-37

OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

WITHDRAWING FROM THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FROM THE WEST PLACER GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act ("SGMA"), as amended and codified in California Water Code §§ 10720, *et seq.*, applies to all groundwater basins in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, The legislative intent of SGMA is to provide sustainable management of groundwater basins, to enhance local management of groundwater, to establish minimum standards for sustainable groundwater management, and to provide local groundwater agencies with the authority and the technical and financial assistance necessary to sustainably manage groundwater; and

WHEREAS, SGMA requires "sustainable groundwater management" for all groundwater basins or subbasins that are designated as high or medium-priority basins by the Department of Water Resources ("Department") in the Department's report entitled "California's Groundwater: Bulletin 118" ("Bulletin 118"); and

WHEREAS, the District's boundary overlaps a small portion of the North American Subbasin of the Sacramento Valley Groundwater Basin, California Department of Water Resources Basin No. 5-21.64, which been designated as a high-priority subbasin in Bulletin 118; and

WHEREAS, five local agencies with jurisdiction over portions of the North American Subbasin formed a multi-agency GSA for a portion of the subbasin in western Placer County, named the West Placer Groundwater Sustainability Agency ("West Placer GSA"): Placer County, Placer County Water Agency, the City of Roseville, the City of Lincoln, and the Nevada Irrigation District (collectively referred to herein as Members); and

WHEREAS, the Members have expressed their desire to maintain as much local autonomy as possible in the formation of the GSA and in the implementation of SGMA; and

WHEREAS, the Members collectively determined that forming the GSA under a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is the best form of a legal agreement that solidifies the formation of the GSA while also allowing the Members to maintain their desired autonomy; and

WHEREAS, the District has actively participated in the West Placer GSA by providing water data and financial backing since the establishment of the GSA in 2017, and

WHEREAS, the West Placer GSA is preparing a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (“GSP”) for the North American Subbasin and is moving into the next phase of groundwater sustainability; and

WHEREAS, the District has determined that it no longer wishes to be a Member of the West Placer GSA and, through this Resolution, seeks to withdraw from the MOA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes and directs Nevada Irrigation District to withdraw from the West Placer GSA for the North American Subbasin of the Sacramento Valley Groundwater Basin as depicted on the map attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.
2. The General Manager is hereby authorized and directed to send notices, sign documents, if necessary, and to take such other reasonable further actions necessary to complete the withdrawal from the West Placer GSA MOA
3. The District commits to provide publicly available data and other information to the West Placer GSA when requested.

4. This action is either not subject to or is otherwise exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Nevada Irrigation District at a regular meeting held on the 10th day of November 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:	Directors: Hull, Johansen, Bierwagen
NOES:	Directors: Heck, Peters
ABSENT:	Directors: None
ABSTAINS:	Directors: None



President of the Board of Directors

Attest:



Secretary to the Board of Directors