## SACRAMENTO CENTRAL GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY

## RESOLUTION NO. 2016- O.

RESOLUTION COMMENCING AN ALTERNATIVE PLAN SUBMITTAL IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT OF 2014 AND DELEGATING PREPATORY ACTIONS

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014 (SGMA) authorizes local agencies to submit an alternative to a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) to the State Department of Water Resources (DWR) for evaluation and assessment of its satisfaction of SGMA objectives (Water Code 10733.6(a)); and

WHEREAS, such an alternative plan must be initially submitted to DWR no later than January 1, 2017 (Water Code 10733.6(c)); and

WHEREAS, draft GSP regulations were circulated by DWR for public comment and included some provisions concerning the content and evaluation standard for alternative plans; and

WHEREAS, the Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority (SCGA) submitted written comment on the draft GSP regulations focused in part on the alternative plan provisions; and

WHEREAS, the GSP regulations must be final and effective by June 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the draft GSP regulations contemplate elements for satisfactory alternative plan submittals that are not currently part of SCGA's Groundwater Management Plan (GMP); and

WHEREAS, the draft GSP regulations further contemplate required agreements between a submitting local agency and other local agencies or entities located outside of the submitting agency's jurisdiction to facilitate satisfactory alternative plan submittals; and

WHEREAS, SCGA has significant interest and investment in using its GMP and management authority for the sustainable management of groundwater within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, to meet the January 1, 2017 deadline for an alternative plan submittal, SCGA must begin readying the GMP and seeking and negotiating the potentially required agreements with other local agencies and entities within the subbasin.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the SCGA Board of Directors:

1. Delegates authority to SCGA staff to conduct outreach to other local agencies and stakeholders, as defined by SGMA, outside of SCGA jurisdiction to discuss an alternative plan submittal,

- 2. Directs SCGA staff to modify and supplement the GMP and other SCGA resources as may be required by adopted GSP regulations to develop an alternative plan submittal, and
- 3. Delegates authority to SCGA staff to negotiate agreements with other local agencies and stakeholders, as defined by SGMA, outside of SCGA's jurisdiction as may be required to support an alternative plan submittal; and
- 4. Delegates authority to SCGA staff to do and perform everything necessary to carry out the purpose of this resolution.

ON A MOTION by Director WILLIAMS , and seconded by Director Thompson, the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of SCGA this 20th day of April, 2016, by the following vote, to wit:

**AYES:** 

Directors, EISING, BETTS, OCENOSAK, SCHUBERT, WELDER, EWART, THANDI, RAMIRET,

NOES:

Directors, LOWRY, MAHON, NELSON

**RECUSAL:** Directors, (PER POLITICAL REFORM ACT (§ 18702.5.)

**ABSENT:** 

Directors, MARTEL

FORM

ABSTAIN: Directors,

> Chair of the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority, a duly formed Joint Powers Authority

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board of Directors of

the Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority