

**SACRAMENTO CENTRAL GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY  
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May 8, 2013

**APPROVED  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

To: Board of Directors  
Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority

Date 05-08-13

From: Staff

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Clerk of the Board

Subject: Adoption Of The Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority Budget, Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Well Protection Program Trust Fund Budget, And Authorization To Collect Annual Contributions

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**Overview**

The Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority (Authority) was established to maintain the long-term sustainable yield of the Central Sacramento County Groundwater Basin (Central Basin). The Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) between the City of Elk Grove, the City of Folsom, the City of Rancho Cordova, the City of Sacramento and the County of Sacramento creating the Authority provides the funding mechanism necessary to implement Central Sacramento County Groundwater Management Plan (Central Basin GMP). Collection of the contributions described in the JPA and adoption of the Authority's 2013/2014 fiscal year budget provide the means for the Authority to implement the Central Basin GMPs administrative programs. The JPA also provides for the operation of any Well Protection Program (WPP) that may be prescribed by the Central Basin GMP. While current economic conditions have curtailed any activity on the WPP, adoption of a budget provides an administrative means to report on the status of the fund.

**Recommendations**

Adopt Resolution No. 2013-01 to fund the Authority's administrative budget for fiscal year 2013/2014 and provide for the collection of the annual contributions as described in the JPA; adopt the WPP Trust Fund budget for fiscal year 2013/2014.

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**BACKGROUND:**

On August 29, 2006 the Cities of Folsom, Elk Grove, Rancho Cordova and Sacramento and the County of Sacramento executed a joint powers agreement creating the Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority (Authority). The purpose of the Authority is to maintain the long-term sustainable yield of the Central Basin; ensure implementation of the Basin Management Objectives (BMOs) that are prescribed by the Central Basin GMP; oversee the operation of Well Protection Program prescribed by the Central Basin GMP; manage the use of groundwater in the Central Basin and facilitate implementation of an appropriate conjunctive use program by water purveyors; coordinate efforts among those entities represented on the governing body of the joint powers authority to devise and implement strategies to safeguard groundwater quality; and work collaboratively with other entities, including other groundwater management authorities that may be formed in the County of Sacramento and adjacent political jurisdictions, in order to promote coordination of policies and activities throughout the region.

On November 8, 2006 the Board adopted the Central Basin GMP. The Central Basin GMP reviews current and future water supply and demands and contains BMOs that address the rate of groundwater extraction, groundwater elevation, land surface subsidence, surface water flows and groundwater contamination. The Central Basin GMP also contains “trigger points” and remedies to ensure full implementation of the BMOs. It also provides for the protection of private groundwater wells and establishes cooperative relationships with Sacramento County’s Environmental Management Department and other regulatory agencies to address groundwater contamination.

**DISCUSSION:**

The proposed 2013/2014 fiscal year budget was developed based on the program requirements (GMP Related Expenses) described in the Central Basin GMP. The budget also provides for overhead expenses (Staff Expenses) including the Executive Director, Administration Support, Legal Counsel, and Financial support. The proposed budget also includes funding for consultant services (Consultant Expenses). Based on the Board’s decision to postpone work on the Well Protection Program at the January 12, 2011 Board meeting, no funding has been recommended for the Well Protection Program (WPP) in the 2013/2014 fiscal year budget.

The proposed budget for SCGA and WPP was presented, discussed and approval recommended by the SCGA Budget Committee on April 30, 2013. Budget Committee members include Paul Schubert, Bruce Kamilos, and Rick Bettis.

Based on the Committee’s recommendation, staff recommends adoption of Resolution No. 2013-01 to fund the Authority’s administrative budget for fiscal year 2013/2014 and provide for the collection of the annual contributions as described in the JPA. Staff further recommends adoption of the aforesaid resolution for the WPP Trust Fund budget for fiscal year 2013/2014.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-01**

**SACRAMENTO CENTRAL GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY  
RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND ASSIGNING COSTS TO FUND SCGA'S  
ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROGRAM BUDGETS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013/2014 AND  
PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS, AND  
ADOPTING AND ASSIGNING COSTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013/2014 FOR THE  
WELL PROTECTION PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, on August 29, 2006 the Joint Powers Agreement Between the City of Elk Grove, the City of Folsom, the City of Rancho Cordova, the City of Sacramento and the County of Sacramento Creating the Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority ("JPA") established a separate public entity identified as the Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority ("AUTHORITY") with its own Board of Directors ("BOARD"); and

**WHEREAS**, the AUTHORITY was created to maintain the long-term sustainable yield of the Central Basin in accordance with the Central Sacramento County Groundwater Management Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the JPA provides for the collection of annual contributions to fund implementation of the Central Sacramento County Groundwater Management Plan;

**WHEREAS**, the JPA provides for the operation of any Well Protection Program that may be prescribed by the GMP; and

**WHEREAS**, the AUTHORITY's administrative budget for fiscal year 2013/2014 is specified in Attachment A. The budget includes projections of revenues, staff expenses, consultant expenses, office expenses and Groundwater Management Plan related expenses. The administrative budget is required to finance the administrative activities necessary to manage the Central Groundwater Basin; and

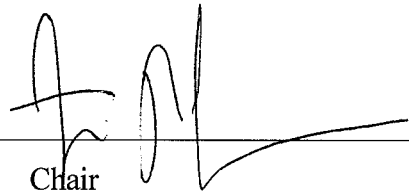
**WHEREAS**, the Well Protection Program Trust Fund's administrative and program budget for fiscal year 2013/2014 is specified in Attachment B. No funding is recommended for the Central Basin Well Protection Program for fiscal year 2013/2014 based on current economic conditions and pending improvement in the housing market.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the BOARD as follows:

1. The above recitals are correct and the BOARD so finds and determines.
2. The BOARD finds and determines that:
  - a. The SCGA administrative budget for fiscal year 2013/2014 as specified in Attachment A is hereby adopted; and
  - b. The Well Protection Program Trust Fund administrative and program budget for fiscal year 2013/2014 as specified in Attachment B is hereby adopted; and
  - c. The annual contribution for the SCGA administrative budget for fiscal year 2013/2014 budget will be collected from the contributors as directed in the JPA pursuant to Appendix C; and
  - d. Billing for the annual contribution shall be mailed not later than thirty (30) days following the adoption of this resolution with payment to be made within thirty (30) days of receipt of billing.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the BOARD at their regular board meeting on May 8, 2013.



By:   
Chair