## Resolution 2007-02

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## Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR, AND ACCEPTANCE OF, GRANT FUNDS FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES LOCAL GROUNDWATER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

WHEREAS pursuant to applicable provisions of the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency Act (California Water Code Appendix Chapter 121-102 through 108 et seq.), the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (FCGMA) has been granted certain powers for the purposes of groundwater management within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS, since its inception in 1983, FCGMA (during numerous noticed public meetings) has determined there is evidence of inland seawater intrusion in both the Upper Aquifer System and the Lower Aquifer System that is likely due to extraction of groundwater beyond the ability of the aquifers to provide; and

**WHEREAS**, the FCGMA Board of Directors has determined that proactive groundwater management plans, programs, policies, resolutions, and ordinances are necessary in order to improve or protect the quantity and quality of groundwater supplies and help bring the aquifers and groundwater basins managed by FCGMA into "safe-yield balance" in accordance with its statutory mission; and

**WHEREAS**; pursuant to applicable provisions of the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency Ordinance No. 8.1; Section 3.0, the Agency requires the installation and use of metering equipment for reporting of groundwater extraction data; and

WHEREAS, the FCGMA Board of Directors recently approved its 2007 Update to the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Plan that meets the requirements of California Water Code Section 10753.7 and includes current and future groundwater management strategies that involve the collection of groundwater extraction data and management of groundwater resources using metering equipment; and

WHEREAS, the use of automated meter-reading equipment will allow for more accurate, efficient, and cost-effective management of the groundwater resource; and

**WHEREAS**, the California Local Groundwater Management Assistance Act of 2000 (CWC Section 10795 et seq.) was enacted to provide grants to public agencies to conduct groundwater studies or to perform groundwater monitoring and management activities; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) established a Local Groundwater Assistance Grant Program pursuant to the Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 (Water Code Section 79560 et. seq.); and

**WHEREAS**, the mission and activities of the FCGMA are directly concurrent with the goals of the DWR LGAP, which evaluates and funds projects that perform groundwater studies, groundwater monitoring, or groundwater management activities; and

WHEREAS, grant funds from the LGAP will assist the Agency in acquiring automated meter-reading equipment in support of its Ordinance and updating its regional groundwater flow model; and

WHEREAS, the updated regional groundwater flow model will be used to evaluate current groundwater management strategies and develop new groundwater monitoring and management activities that will assist bringing FCGMA aquifers into "safe-yield balance" in accordance with its statutory mission;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Directors of the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency hereby finds, determines, and declares as follows:

- All of the above recitals are true and correct.
- 2. That application be made to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) for a Local Groundwater Assistance Grant pursuant to the Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 (Water Code Section 79560 et seq.) and enter into an agreement to receive a grant for the Pilot Implementation of Groundwater Extraction Flowmeter Reading Equipment and Update of the Ventura Regional Groundwater Flow Model.
- 3. The Executive Officer of the FCGMA is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, make investigations, file such application, and execute a grant agreement with the California Department of Water Resources.

On motion of Director Maulhardt, and seconded by Director McIntyre, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 2007.

Lynn E. Maulhardt, Chair, Board of Directors
Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency

ATTEST: I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2007-02.

Tammy Butterworth Clerk of the Board