

Resolution No. 2024 - 04
of the
Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency

**A RESOLUTION REFLECTING THE AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS
RESTATING THE AMOUNT AND NUMBER OF INSTALLMENTS FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 LAS POSAS VALLEY WATERMASTER
BASIN ASSESSMENTS**

WHEREAS, the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (FCGMA) is a groundwater management agency created by the California Legislature with the enactment of the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency Act (Act) and is the exclusive groundwater sustainability agency for the Las Posas Valley Groundwater Basin (LPV Basin) under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA); and

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2023, the Santa Barbara Superior Court (Court) entered a final Judgment in *Las Posas Valley Water Rights Coalition, et al. v. Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency*, Santa Barbara Sup. Ct. Case No. VENC100509700 (Judgment), which, among other things, determined all groundwater rights in the LPV Basin and appoints FCGMA as the Watermaster to assist the Court implement the Judgment and manage the LPV Basin; and

WHEREAS, Section 7 of the Judgment requires the Watermaster to set, levy, and collect Basin Assessments from the Water Right Holders for management of the LPV Basin; and

WHEREAS, at its December 7, 2023, meeting, the FCGMA Board of Directors adopted a Watermaster Budget of \$2,559,814 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-2024 and determined that an initial Basin Assessment of \$64 per acre-foot of Annual Allocation is required to fund implementation of the Judgment and management of the Basin.

WHEREAS, since adopting the FY 2023-2024 Watermaster Budget and Basin Assessment, the Watermaster reconsidered its previous December 2023 Budget and Basin Assessment determinations, and now wishes to revise the amount and number of installments for FY 2023-24 Watermaster Basin Assessments.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Basin Assessment for LPV Basin Water Right Holders is \$32 and shall be collected by the Watermaster with a single installment and/or invoice.

On a motion by Director Trembley and seconded by Director Borchard, the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted on June 26, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES – **5**

NOES –


ABSTAINS –

ABSENT –

By: 

Eugene F. West, Chair, Board of Directors
Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency

ATTEST: I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2024-04.

By: 

Elka Weber, Interim Clerk of the Board