Resolution No. 2025-05

of the

Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE AMOUNT AND
AUTHORIZING THE LEVYING OF A BASIN ASSESSMENT ON
WATER RIGHT HOLDERS IN THE LAS POSAS VALLEY
GROUNDWATER BASIN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26

WHEREAS, the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (the Agency) is a groundwater sustainability agency under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (the Act) for the basins within the Agency's statutory boundaries; and

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2023, the Santa Barbara Superior Court entered 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); and

WHEREAS, the Judgment comprehensively determines and adjudicates all groundwater rights within the Las Posas Valley Groundwater Basin (Basin) and establishes and implements a Physical Solution for the Basin; and

WHEREAS, the Judgment appoints the Agency as Watermaster to administer the Judgment; and

WHEREAS, Section 7 of the Judgment requires the Watermaster to set, levy, and collect Basin Assessments from the Water Right Holders to fund implementation and administration of the Judgement; and

WHEREAS, the Agency Board of Directors adopted a Watermaster Budget of \$2,559,814 for Fiscal Year 2025-246at a regular meeting on July 23, 2025; and

WHEREAS, at the July 23, 2025, meeting the Agency Board of Directors determined that a Basin Assessment of \$60.00 per acre-foot of Annual Allocation is required to fund the Watermaster's management of the Basin for Fiscal Year 2025-26, Water Year 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AND ORDERED that effective July 23, 2025, a Basin Assessment of sixty dollars (\$60.00) per acre-foot of Annual Allocation is levied on all Water Right Holders in the Las Posas Valley Groundwater Basin to be invoiced quarterly.

On motion by Michael mavion and seconded by Trembley, the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted on July 23, 2025, by the following vote.

AYES - 5 NOES - 0 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.

2025-05.

By:

Elka Weber, Clerk of the Board