RESOLUTION NO. 22-02 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE YOLO SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER AGENCY

IN THE MATTER OF: ADOPTING A COST RECOVERY FEE SCHEDULE FOR VERIFICATION AND REVIEW OF WELL PERMIT APPLICATIONS PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-7-22

WHEREAS, the Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency ("YSGA") is a joint powers authority established and existing pursuant to a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement dated and effective June 19, 2017 and the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, Cal. Government Code section 6500 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, on August 29, 2014, the California Legislature passed comprehensive groundwater legislation contained in SB 1168, SB 1319 and AB 1739. Collectively, those bills, as subsequently amended, enacted the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act ("SGMA"). SGMA became effective on January 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to SGMA, YSGA is the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the Yolo Subbasin of the Sacramento Valley Groundwater Basin, California Department of Water Resources Basin No. 5-21.67 ("Subbasin"); and

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2021, pursuant to Executive Order N-10-21, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency "to exist in the State due to drought in the remaining counties of Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Francisco, and Ventura, such that the drought state of emergency is now in effect statewide"; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2022, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-7-22, which reaffirms the State of Emergency proclaimed in October 2021 and orders that said proclamation and related proclamations "remain in full force and effect"; and

WHEREAS, paragraph 9 of Executive Order N-7-22 imposes new review and verification requirements on the issuance of certain well permits and directs that well permitting authority may not issue a permit for well covered in the Order without first obtaining written verification from the Groundwater Sustainability Agency managing the basin regarding the proposed wells' consistent with the Groundwater Sustainability Plan and potential impact on neighboring wells; and

WHEREAS, Yolo County is the permitting authority and the Environmental Health Division receives all well permit application requests; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the requirements of the Order, YSGA adopted Resolution No. 2022-01, directing the development of procedures to provide the necessary review and verifications to the County during the well permitting process; and

WHEREAS, the cost of providing this verification and review is approximately \$150 for each replacement well permit and \$350 for each new well permit covered under the Order; and

WHEREAS, the provision of these review and verification services are a recoverable cost of implementing this regulatory program, and the proposed fees do not exceed the cost of providing these services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1. The Board of Directors of YSGA adopts a Cost Recovery Fee schedule of \$150 per replacement well permit verification and review; and \$350 per new well permit verification and review, to be invoiced to the County in connection with each review.
- 2. YSGA staff shall provide regular reports on the costs of providing these review and verification services, and will provide recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding any proposed modification of the fee schedule necessary to adequately and equitably recover these costs.
- 3. This fee schedule applies to all projects for which verification and review by YSGA is required under the Order, effective with those projects undergoing the verification process on or after July 1, 2022.
- 4. The Yolo County Environmental Health Division and Board of Supervisors are authorized to include these charges in their Master Fee Schedule for purposes of accounting for and collecting charges associated with well permit issuances under the Order.
- 5. YSGA staff are hereby authorized and directed to take such other and further actions as may be necessary or appropriate to implement the intent and purposes of this resolution.

Certification of Secretary

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of YSGA at a regular meeting held on June 20, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: City of Davis, City of West Sacramento, City of Winters, City of Woodland, Dunnigan

Water District, RD 108, RD 150, RD 307, RD 537, RD 787, RD 999, Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, Yolo County, Cal Am Water – Dunnigan, Colusa Drain MWC, Environmental Representative – Ann Brice

NOES: Esparto CSD

ABSENT: Madison CSD, RD 730, RD 765, RD 1600, RD 2035, Rumsey Water Users

Association, UC Davis, Yolo County Farm Bureau

RECUSAL: YCFC&WCD

Kristin Sicke, Board Secretary

Dated: June 20, 2022