

RESOLUTION # 2021-66

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF MODOC**

**ACTING AS THE GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY, FOR ALL THOSE
PORTIONS OF THE BIG VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN LOCATED WITHIN MODOC
COUNTY, TO ADOPT THE BIG VALLEY GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN IN
COORDINATION WITH THE LASSEN COUNTY GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY
AGENCY AND DIRECT STAFF TO SUBMIT THE GSP TO THE CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES**

WHEREAS, in September of 2014, the Governor signed into law a legislative package consisting of (three bills), collectively known as the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), which requires local agencies with land use and/or water management or water supply authority to do certain things in order for medium and high priority groundwater basins, as designated by the State of California Department of Water Resources (DWR), to reach sustainability; and

WHEREAS, SGMA became effective on January 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Big Valley 5-004 Groundwater Basin (BVGB) has been designated a medium priority basin by the DWR; and

WHEREAS, the Lassen County Board of Supervisors and the Modoc County Board of Supervisors adopted resolutions (17-013 and 2017-09 respectively) declaring themselves to be the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) for the portion of the BVGB within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, GSAs are required to develop Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSP) for all medium and high priority basins, and said GSP for the BVGB is to be submitted to the DWR by January 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, The Big Valley Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee (BVAC) was formed to advise both the Lassen and Modoc County GSAs on the preparation of a GSP for the basin and held approximately fifteen public meetings to review and propose draft text for a GSP and to receive and consider public comment from local stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, A Draft GSP was assembled by staff and consultants with BVAC guidance and the BVAC adopted Resolution No. BVAC-2021-1 on October 20, 2021, recommending that the GSAs receive the Draft GSP, conduct at least one public hearing to consider adoption of said GSP, provide direction to staff to make any edits or corrections the GSAs may identify, and adopt and submit the final GSP to the Department of Water Resources by January 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Draft GSP was released for a 30-day public comment period, starting October 28, 2021, and ending November 28, 2021, and all comments were considered and incorporated as

appropriate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors, acting as the Modoc County Groundwater Sustainability Agency, hereby adopts the Big Valley Groundwater Sustainability Plan with any edits or corrections identified by and approved by the GSAs during the December 15, 2021, public hearing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Modoc directs staff to make said edits or corrections and submit the final GSP to DWR by January 31, 2022.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Modoc, State of California, on the 15th day of December, 2021 by the following vote:

Motion Approved:

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]


MOVER: Geri Byrne, Supervisor District V

SECONDER: Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III

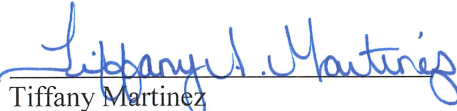
AYES: Ned Coe, Supervisor District I, Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III, Elizabeth Cavasso, Supervisor District IV, Geri Byrne, Supervisor District V



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF MODOC**


Ned Coe, Chair
Modoc County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:


Tiffany Martinez
Clerk of the Board