

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-04**

**A RESOLUTION OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MOUND BASIN  
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY  
DETERMINING AND ESTABLISHING  
GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION CHARGES AGAINST ALL PERSONS  
OPERATING GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION FACILITIES WITHIN  
THE MOUND BASIN**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSA) are authorized to collect Regulatory Fees (Water Code Section 10730) and Extraction Fees (Water Code Section 10730.2); and

**WHEREAS**, SGMA gives a GSA the authority to impose fees to fund the cost of preparing its Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP), including the preparation and amendment of a sustainability plan, investigation of groundwater conditions, compliance assistance, enforcement and program administration; and

**WHEREAS**, the type of fees that can be imposed to fund the cost of preparing a GSP include permit fees, fees on groundwater extraction, and fees on other regulated activity; and

**WHEREAS**, any action to impose such fees must be taken by ordinance or resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the GSA complied with all applicable notice requirements by noticing a public meeting concerning these fees as follows:

1. By publication pursuant to Government Code Section 6066 in the Ventura County Star on August 2, 2018 and August 9, 2018;
2. By posting on the website of the GSA at [www.moundbasingsa.org](http://www.moundbasingsa.org), on the Facebook page of the GSA at <https://www.facebook.com/moundbasingsa/>, and on the website of the City of Ventura at <https://www.cityofventura.ca.gov/1180/Mound-Basin-GSA>;
3. By mailing to any interested party who filed a written request with the GSA for mailed notice of the public fee meeting.
4. The Notice included:
  - The time and place of the meeting,
  - A general explanation of the fee under consideration; and
  - A statement that the data required under SGMA is publicly available.

5. At least 20 days prior to the public meeting, the GSA made the data upon which the fee is based, the GSA's 2018-19 budget, available to the public.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of Mound Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency that groundwater extraction charges should be levied as follows:

1. A groundwater extraction charge of \$40 per acre foot shall be levied on all groundwater extracted from within the GSA boundary, regardless of whether that groundwater is derived from the native or an augmented supply. The GSA does hereby ratify and affirm its levy and assessment of this groundwater extraction charges in compliance with law against all persons operating groundwater producing facilities within the GSA boundary commencing August 24, 2018.

2. These groundwater extraction charges shall be billed semiannually with billing periods covering January through June and July through December, beginning with January through June 2018 billing period.

3. The Board of Directors of Mound Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency, makes the following findings, based upon the testimony and evidence (including exhibits) presented at said meetings and public hearing:

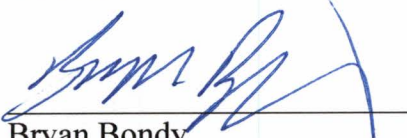
- (a) Revenues derived from the groundwater extraction charges will not exceed the funds required to provide for the Plan and related administrative services.

- (b) Revenues derived from the groundwater extraction charges shall not be used for any purpose other than that for which the groundwater charges are imposed.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2018.

  
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Michael Mobley Board Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Bryan Bondy  
Executive Director