

Resolution No. 16-135

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADERA APPROVING THE FORMATION OF A  
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY UNDER THE SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER  
MANAGEMENT ACT

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2014, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) was signed into law by the Governor to provide for sustainable management of groundwater by providing local groundwater agencies with the authority to sustainably manage groundwater through the adoption of Groundwater Sustainability Plans; and

WHEREAS, Water Code Section 10723(a) authorizes local land use authorities, water suppliers, and certain other local agencies, or a combination of local agencies, overlying a groundwater basin to elect to become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) for the basin; and

WHEREAS, the City of Madera (City) is a local agency qualified to become a GSA because City manages water supply and delivery, and has land use responsibilities over a portion of the Madera Sub-basin (Basin Number 5-22.06, DWR Bulletin 118) within the San Joaquin Valley Groundwater Basin, a DWR-designated high-priority basin; and

WHEREAS, the City has informed other local agencies with responsibility for land use and groundwater authority within the Madera-Sub-basin of its intent to become a GSA; and

WHEREAS, City held a public hearing on August 17, 2016, after publication of notice pursuant to Government Code Section 6066 to consider adoption of this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, adoption of this Resolution does not constitute a "Project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to 15060(c)(3) and 15378(b)(5) of the State CEQA Guidelines because it is an administrative action that does not result in any direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Madera as follows:

1. The above recitals and findings are true and correct.
2. The City of Madera does hereby elect to become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency to cover the portion of DWR Basin No. 5-22.06 within the City Limits as of August 17, 2016, as shown on Exhibit "A" attached to this Resolution.
3. The City of Madera Groundwater Sustainability Agency hereby created shall establish and maintain a list of persons interested in receiving notices regarding plan preparation, meeting announcements, and availability of draft plans, maps, and other relevant documents, as required by California Water Code Section 10723.4.
4. Within 30 days of the date of this Resolution, the Community Development Director is directed to submit a notice of intent to the Department of Water Resources, pursuant to Water Code section 10723.8 (a).
5. This resolution is effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Madera this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2016 by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Poythress, Council Members Rigby, Medellin, Holley, Robinson, Oliver, Foley Gallegos.

NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None.

ABSENT: None.

APPROVED:

  
ROBERT L. POYTHRESS, Mayor

ATTEST:

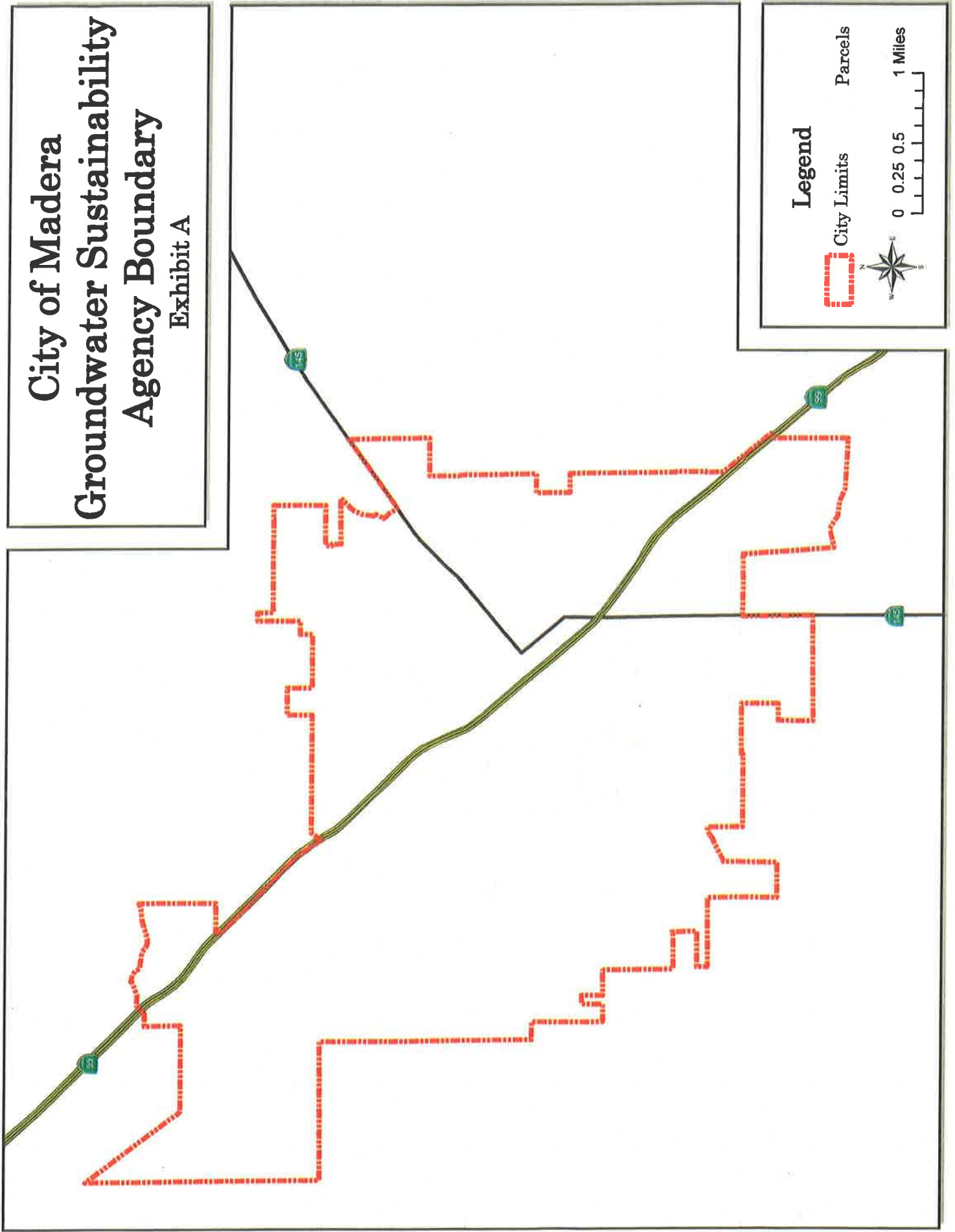
  
SONIA ALVAREZ, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:



  
BRENT RICHARDSON, City Attorney



# City of Madera Groundwater Sustainability Agency Boundary Exhibit A



## Legend

-  City Limits
  -  Parcels
- 0 0.25 0.5 1 Miles
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