



ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

100 NORTH CANYONS PARKWAY, LIVERMORE, CA 94551

PHONE (925) 454-5000

September 23, 2005

Mary Scruggs
Division of Planning and Local Assistance
Conjunctive Water Management Branch
PO Box 942836
Sacramento, CA 94236-0001

Subject: **Transmittal of Zone 7's Groundwater Management Plan**

Dear Ms. Scruggs:

Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Zone 7 (Zone 7 Water Agency) is pleased to present our newly-adopted Groundwater Management Plan. Zone 7 Water Agency is a water wholesaler that delivers water to four retail water supply agencies, Dublin-San Ramon Services District, California Water Service Company and the Cities of Livermore and Pleasanton. The four retailers have formed the Tri-Valley Water Retail Group which has endorsed the plan (see attached letter). A copy of the Board Resolution adopting the plan is also attached.

Please feel free to contact me at (925) 454-5016, if you have any questions concerning the Groundwater Management Plan.

Sincerely,

G.F. Duerig
Acting Assistant General Manager

Attachments

cc (without attachments):

Kim Rosmaier, CA DWR – Central District
Dave Lunn
Tom Rooze
Sal Segura

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Water
RETAILERS

September 14, 2005

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Mr. Dale Myers, General Manager
Zone 7 Water Agency
100 N. Canyons Parkway
Livermore, CA 94550

Subject: Zone 7's Draft Groundwater Management Plan for Livermore-Amador
Groundwater Basin-August 2005

Dear Mr. Myers:

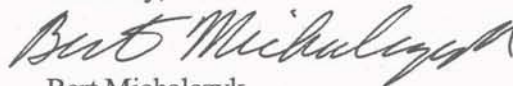
The Tri-Valley Water Retailers Group thanks you and your staff for the opportunity to review Zone 7's draft *Groundwater Management Plan for Livermore-Amador Groundwater Basin* (GMP) dated August 2005. Specific comments on this important management document have been provided earlier by individual retail agencies to Jill Duerig of your staff. As stated in the Executive Summary, Zone 7 prepared the GMP to compile and document all of its current groundwater management policies and programs in a single document, and to satisfy the intent of the State's Groundwater Management Planning Act. The water retailers understand that the Planning Act is broad, and recognize that the Zone's GMP may not need to address specific issues regarding Zone 7's groundwater use and management that are still being worked out locally. The compilation of current management practices in a single GMP document will be helpful to provide retailers and Zone 7 a useful starting point for discussing future amendments to groundwater management policies and procedures that address these specific local issues.

The Tri-Valley Water Retailers Group acknowledges Zone 7's adoption of this GMP as a starting point for future local discussions and decisions on groundwater management. As such, we endorse transmittal of the Plan to the State Department of Water Resources, with the understanding that Zone 7 and the retailers will continue to work together toward mutually agreed upon groundwater management goals.

We look forward to working with Zone 7 in the future, using the GMP as a starting point, to frame, develop or modify groundwater management policies and procedures for the safe production, improved water quality and long-term sustainability of the Tri-Valley's valuable local groundwater resource.

Please provide a copy of this letter to your Board of Directors for their information in their consideration of the *Groundwater Management Plan for Livermore-Amador Groundwater Basin*.

Sincerely,



Bert Michalczyk
Chair, Tri-Valley Water Retailers Group

BM:ng

Cc: Dan McIntyre, City of Livermore
John Freeman, California Water Service Company
Rob Wilson, City of Pleasanton

ZONE 7
ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION NO 06-2796

INTRODUCED BY DIRECTOR MARCHAND
SECONDED BY DIRECTOR STEVENS

RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE FINAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, following publication of notice and conducting a public hearing, a Notice of Intent to Draft and Adopt a Groundwater Management Plan ("Notice of Intent") was adopted by the Zone 7 Board on August 21, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Zone 7 published said Notice of Intent in accordance with the requirements set forth in the California Groundwater Management Planning Act (Water Code Sections 10750, et seq.); and

WHEREAS, such notice also included a written statement describing the manner in which interested parties could participate in providing input on the groundwater management plan;

WHEREAS, copies of the Draft Groundwater Management Plan were made available for public review in local libraries, at the Zone 7 office and on the Zone 7 website; and

WHEREAS, Zone 7 distributed additional copies of the Draft Groundwater Management Plan to its water retail agencies, Dublin San Ramon Services District, California Water Service Company and the Cities of Livermore and Pleasanton; and

WHEREAS, Zone 7 received public comments on the document; and

WHEREAS, comments received were addressed in drafting a final version of the Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, on September 21, 2005 the Zone 7 Board of Directors conducted a second public hearing on the September 2005 Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Zone 7 Board of Directors considered both written and oral comments received on the Groundwater Management Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE ZONE 7 BOARD OF DIRECTORS DOES HEREBY RESOLVE that the September 2005 Groundwater Management Plan referenced and incorporated herein, is hereby approved and adopted by this Board of Directors and shall be the basis for Zone 7's groundwater management policy for future activities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, as the GMP is a compilation of existing Zone 7 policies and practices and does not involve any changes or additions thereto, the Board of Directors hereby finds that the GMP is not project for purposes of CEQA and is thus exempt therefrom and directs the Clerk of the Board to file a Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk in compliance with CEQA Guideline 15062.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: DIRECTORS CONCANNON, GRECI, KALTHOFF, KOHNEN, MARCHAND, QUIGLEY, STEVENS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

I certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of a resolution Adopted by the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District on

September 21, 2005

By


President, Board of Directors

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION



To: Office of Planning and Research
For U.S. Mail:
P.O. Box 3044
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

Street Address:
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 94514

From: ZONE 7 WATER AGENCY
100 North Canyons Parkway
Livermore, CA 94551

To: County Clerk
County of Alameda
1106 Madison Street
Oakland, CA 94612

Lead Agency (if different from above):

Project Title: Groundwater Management Plan for Livermore-Amador Groundwater Basin

Project Location – Specific: Livermore-Amador Valley

Project Location – City: Cities of Livermore, Pleasanton, Dublin and Unincorporated Eastern Alameda County

Project Location – County: Alameda

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Zone 7 Groundwater Management Plan (GMP) is a summary written to combine all of Zone 7's existing groundwater management efforts into a single document. The GMP provides a detailed description of Zone 7's existing groundwater management practices throughout the Livermore-Amador Valley Groundwater Basin and a description of the regulatory setting that involves a GMP.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Zone 7 Water Agency

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Zone 7 Water Agency

Exempt Status: (check one)

Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);

Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));

Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: _____

Statutory Exemptions. State code number: 14 CCR 15061.b.3

Reasons why project is exempt:

This Groundwater Management Plan is a requirement in the preparation and for the adoption of an Urban Water Management Plan pursuant to Section 10652 of the Water Code. The Plan is merely a compilation and summary of existing policies and practices without any changes or additions thereto thus there is no possibility that this plan will have a significant effect on the environment, therefore per the general rule of CEQA Guideline 15061.b.3, this activity is not subject to CEQA.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Mary Lim
Area Code/Telephone/Ext: 925-454-5036

If filed by Applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.

2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: Mary Lim Date: 9/22/05 Title: Environmental Services Program Manager

Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

Signed by Applicant

Form 4. Environmental Declaration

*ENVIRONMENTAL DECLARATION

(Calif. Fish and Game Code Sec. 711.4)

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT OR LEAD AGENCY:

**Zone 7 Alameda County Flood Control and
Water Conservation District**

100 North Canyons Parkway

Livermore, CA 94551

FOR COURT USE ONLY

FILING NO.

CLASSIFICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT:

- 1. NOTICE OF EXEMPTION/STATEMENT OF EXEMPTION PLU117
 - A—STATUTORILY OR CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT
\$25.00 (Twenty-Five Dollars) – CLERK’s FEE
 - B—DE MINIMUS IMPACT – CERTIFICATE OF FEE EXEMPTION REQUIRED PLU 117
\$25.00 (Twenty-Five Dollars) – CLERK’s FEE

- 2. NOTICE OF DETERMINATION – FEE REQUIRED
 - A—NEGATIVE DECLARATION PLU 116
\$1,250.00 (Twelve Hundred Fifty Dollars) – STATE FILING FEE
\$25.00 (Twenty-Five Dollars) – CLERK’s FEE
 - B—ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT PLU 115
\$850.00 (Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars) – STATE FILING FEE
\$25.00 (Twenty-Five Dollars) – CLERK’s FEE

- 3. OTHER (Specify) _____ PLU117
\$25.00 (Twenty-Five Dollars) – CLERK’s FEE

* THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED WITH ALL ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE ALAMEDA COUNTY CLERK’S OFFICE.

FIVE COPIES OF ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION ARE REQUIRED FOR FILING PURPOSES.

APPLICABLE FEES MUST BE PAID AT THE TIME OF FILING AN ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT WITH THE ALAMEDA COUNTY CLERK’S OFFICE.

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: ALAMEDA COUNTY CLERK

Check Date: 09/21/2005
 Invoice Number: 9-19-05Exemptior ZONE7
 Invoice Date: 9/19/2005
 Invoice Type: Government Fees
 Payment Comments: NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
 DP
 Voucher ID: 00012582
 Use Tax: 0.00
 Gross Amount: 25.00
 Discount Available: 0.00
 Paid Amount: 25.00
 Check No. 1014249
 RETURN CHECK TO QIC 90201 ATTN: M CHUN
 Approved 09/20/2005 15.24.06 by ABAUTIST

Vendor Number	Vendor Name	Total Discounts
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		Total Paid Amount
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