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Subject: City of Hayward Sustainable Groundwater Management Update

Dear Groundwater Basin Stakeholders and Interested Parties,

This is an update on activities related to implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) for the portion of the East Bay Plain Groundwater Subbasin that underlies the City of Hayward.

### Status of the Groundwater Sustainability Agency Formation

On February 7, 2017, after conducting a public hearing, the Hayward City Council adopted a resolution for the City of Hayward to become the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) for the portion of the East Bay Plain Subbasin that underlies the City of Hayward's boundaries. On March 6, 2017, the City of Hayward filed notice with the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) and on June 6, 2017, the City of Hayward formally became the exclusive GSA with responsibilities for ensuring the sustainable management of the portion of the East Bay Plain Subbasin that underlies the City. The East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) is the exclusive GSA for the remainder of the basin, north of the City's boundaries.

### <u>Preparation of Groundwater Sustainability Plan</u>

As a GSA, the City of Hayward is responsible for developing and implementing a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) in accordance with State guidelines to sustainably manage and utilize groundwater. A GSP will generally consist of a description of the basin and aquifer, baseline conditions and basin objectives, management actions to achieve the objectives, and a monitoring plan. It will be subject to public review and governing body approval. GSPs for medium-priority basins, such as the East Bay Plain Subbasin, must be completed and adopted by January 31, 2022. The City of Hayward and EBMUD plan to work together to develop a single GSP that covers the entire East Bay Plain Subbasin. Working cooperatively with EBMUD is expected to reduce duplication of technical work and thus the cost of preparing the GSP for both agencies, while fostering Plan effectiveness, coordination, and efficiencies.

#### **Grant Funding for GSP Preparation**

Under Proposition 1, approved by the voters in November 2014, DWR established the Sustainable Groundwater Planning Grant Program to provide funds for GSP development and implementation. EBMUD and Hayward are eligible to apply for funding for the East Bay Plain Subbasin. The City plans to work cooperatively with EBMUD to pursue joint funding for preparation of a GSP for the East Bay Plain Subbasin.

Stakeholder participation and outreach is a key component of SGMA and sustainable groundwater management. We will continue to update you on our progress to comply with SGMA and provide opportunities for participation in the development of the GSP. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions.

Regards, Jan

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