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Mr. Trevor Joseph
Sustainable Groundwater Management Section Chief
Department of Water Resources

Subject: Initial Notification of Groundwater Sustainability Plan Development for the Shasta Valley Basin

Dear Mr. Joseph,

Pursuant to Water Code Section 10727.8 this letter serves to notify you that the Siskiyou County Flood Control and Water Conservation District acting as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) for the Shasta Valley basin (Basin number 1-004), intends to develop a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) as required by the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). The GSA, which was approved by the Department of Water Resources in July 2017, is comprised of a board of directors that will be the decision making body regarding the Shasta Valley Basin. The GSA has also created a groundwater advisory committee that will provide feedback and recommendations regarding GSP development and activities.

The GSA will develop the GSP through a transparent process with input from its advisory board, the public, stakeholders, water users and others; who will have the opportunity to provide comment, feedback, and information to the GSA, staff and the groundwater advisory committee. Public and stakeholder input, comment and feedback can be provided in written and oral form at any time during the process, during regularly held GSA and advisory board meetings, and during special workshop or public outreach events that will be hosted by the GSA. Any upcoming meeting agendas and potential actions by the GSA will be made public, and will provide opportunity for public comment prior to decisions being made by the GSA. Siskiyou County staff also maintains an active email contact list of interested parties, which the public is encouraged to join. .

The GSA will be contracting with qualified consultants who will assist in developing water budgets, models, and the GSP; and a Request for Proposal for this work will be forthcoming. The GSA looks forward to working with DWR and the public to develop its GSP by January 31, 2022. If you have any questions, please free to contact Matt Parker, Natural Resource Specialist, at mparker@co.siskiyou.ca.us or 530-842-8019.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Nielsen
Program Lead, Natural Resources