

**SOQUEL CREEK WATER DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 05-56**

AND

**CENTRAL WATER DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 10-05**

**JOINT RESOLUTION OF INTENTION
TO DRAFT A GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE FOR THE
SOQUEL-APTOS AREA OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY**

RECITALS

The Board of Directors of the SOQUEL CREEK WATER DISTRICT and the CENTRAL WATER DISTRICT, meeting in separate sessions on December 20, 2005, have considered the following:

- A. SOQUEL CREEK WATER DISTRICT is a County Water District duly organized under Section 30000 *et. seq.* of the California Water Code and serves an area of the County of Santa Cruz extending roughly from 41st Avenue on the west, to the boundary with the CENTRAL WATER DISTRICT on the east and extending to Cañon del Sol off San Andreas Road.
- B. CENTRAL WATER DISTRICT is a County Water District duly organized under Section 30000 *et. seq.* of the California Water Code and serves an area of the County of Santa Cruz extending roughly from the boundary with SOQUEL CREEK WATER DISTRICT on the west and extending to the Corralitos area on the east.
- C. All the lands within the boundaries and spheres of influence of said Water Districts require water for domestic, agricultural and commercial purposes.
- D. Both of said Districts bear the responsibility and obligation for providing water to the residents and businesses of their respective areas.
- E. Both of said Districts rely on groundwater for their source of water currently, and will continue to rely on groundwater as their primary source in the future.
- F. Under the authority of Assembly Bill 3030 (codified as Water Code §10750 *et seq.*) said Districts entered into a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement on March 30, 1995, and prepared a Groundwater Management Plan for the Soquel-Aptos Area.
- G. Senate Bill 1938, adopted in 2002, amended the requirements of Groundwater Management Plans, thereby necessitating preparation of an updated Soquel-Aptos Area Groundwater Management Plan containing the elements set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. SOQUEL CREEK WATER DISTRICT and CENTRAL WATER DISTRICT are local public entities providing water service in Santa Cruz County and authorized to adopt and implement a plan to manage the groundwater in their respective service areas under the provisions of Water Code §10750 *et seq.* and in accordance with the March 30, 1995 Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement.

2. The groundwater basin within the service areas of the two Districts is identified in the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) Bulletin No. 118 – Update 2003 as the Soquel Valley Basin.

3. The Soquel-Aptos Area Groundwater Management Plan Update 2006 shall include the following:

a. Documentation that a written statement was provided to the public describing the manner in which interested parties may participate in developing the groundwater management plan, which may include appointing a technical advisory committee (Water Code § 10753.4 (b)).

b. Basin management objectives for the groundwater basin that is subject to the plan (Water Code § 10753.7 (a)(1)).

c. Components relating to the monitoring and management of groundwater levels within the groundwater basin, groundwater quality degradation, inelastic land surface subsidence, and changes in surface flow and surface water quality that directly affect groundwater levels or quality or are caused by groundwater pumping in the basin (Water Code § 10753.7 (a)(1)).

d. A plan to involve other agencies that enables the local agency to work cooperatively with other public entities whose service area or boundary overlies the groundwater basin (Water Code § 10753.7 (a)(2)).

e. Adoption of monitoring protocols (Water Code § 10753.7 (a)(4)), which are capable of tracking changes in conditions for the purpose of meeting management objectives.

f. A map showing the area of the groundwater basin, as defined by DWR Bulletin 118, and the jurisdictional area of the local agencies subject to the plan, as well as the boundaries of other local agencies that overlie portions of the same basin (Water Code § 10753.7 (a)(3)).

4. The Soquel-Aptos Area Groundwater Management Plan Update 2006 may also include the following:

a. Establish an advisory committee of stakeholders and interested parties within the plan area that will help guide the development and implementation of the plan.

b. A description of the area to be managed under the plan, including:

1) The physical structure and characteristics of the aquifer system underlying the plan area in the context of the overall basin.
2) A summary of the availability of historical data including, but not limited to, the components in 3.c. above.

3) Issues of concern including, but not limited to, those related to the components in 3.c. above.

4) A general discussion of historical and projected water demands and supplies.

c. For each management objective, a description of:

1) How meeting the management objective will contribute to a more reliable supply for long-term beneficial uses of groundwater in the plan area.

2) Existing or planned management actions to achieve management objectives.

d. A description of the monitoring program adopted under 3.e. above, including:

1) A map indicating the general locations of any applicable monitoring sites for groundwater levels, groundwater quality, subsidence stations, or stream gages.

2) A summary of monitoring sites indicating the type (groundwater level, groundwater quality, subsidence, stream gage) and frequency of monitoring. For groundwater level and groundwater quality monitoring wells, the plan may indicate the depth interval(s) or aquifer zone monitored and the type of well (public, irrigation, domestic, industrial, monitoring).

e. A description of any current or planned actions by the Soquel Creek Water District and Central Water District to coordinate with land use, zoning, or other water management planning.

f. Provisions for periodic report(s) summarizing groundwater basin conditions and groundwater management activities. The report(s), prepared annually or at other frequencies as determined by the local management entity, would include:

1) Summary of monitoring results with a discussion of historical trends.

2) Summary of management actions during the period covered by the report.

3) A discussion, supported by monitoring results, of whether management actions are achieving progress in meeting management objectives.

4) Summary of proposed management actions.

5) Summary of any plan component changes, including additional or modified management objectives, during the period covered by the report.

g. Provision for the periodic re-evaluation of the entire plan by the managing entity.

5. Both Districts shall meet no less than annually with any other entity that has prepared a plan which impacts on the groundwater basin underlying these Districts.

A copy of this resolution shall be published in a paper of general circulation in Santa Cruz County at least two times to give public notice of its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of December, 2005, by the Board of Directors of the SOQUEL CRREK WATER DISTRICT and the CENTRAL WATER DISTRICT by the following votes:

SOQUEL CREEK WATER DISTRICT

AYES: Director Daniels, LaHue, Kriege, Beebe, Jaffe

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

APPROVED:



Bruce Daniels, President
Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Denise Alexander, Secretary
of Said Board

CENTRAL WATER DISTRICT

AYES: *Mabe, Monkerud, Sharp, Thomas,*
Washington

NOES: *none*

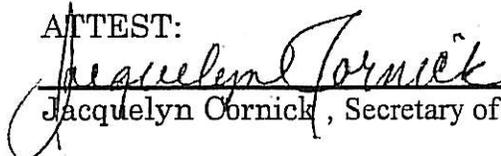
ABSENT: *none*

APPROVED:



Jean Thomas, President of the
Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Jacquelyn Cornick, Secretary of Said Board