

## 4.8 Groundwater Management Compliance

List the groundwater users that will receive funding from the proposed grant. Provide the agency/organization name, a contact phone number and e-mail address. If the Proposal does not contain a groundwater project or other project that directly affect groundwater levels or quality, so indicate, and include in Attachment 1 the justification for such a conclusion. For groundwater projects or other projects that directly affect groundwater levels or quality, the applicant or the participating agency responsible for such projects must provide the following, as applicable:

- Submittal of list of groundwater users
- Agency/organization name(s)
- Contact phone number(s) and e-mail address(es)
- Justification if no projects affect groundwater
- If projects do affect groundwater then respond to the following:
  - Identification of projects in the Proposal that involve any groundwater projects or other projects that directly affect groundwater levels or quality.
  - The agency(ies) that will implement such project(s).
  - Each listed agency must submit self-certify compliance with CWC §10753 regarding Groundwater Management Plans (GWMPs). Instructions to complete the self-certification can be found at: <http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/grants/resourceslinks.cfm>. Only one (1) hard copy (with wet signature) submittal per project is required for this attachment.

Neither project proponent is a groundwater user in the Kaweah River Basin IRWM Region. However, both projects included in this application affect groundwater levels or quality. The proponents are listed below with their contact numbers and e-mail addresses.

### Conjunctive Exchange Program – Tulare ID

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### Well Abandonment Project – County of Tulare

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Each project associated with this Proposal involves or impacts groundwater. The Conjunctive Exchange Program, sponsored by Tulare ID, is centered on groundwater recharge and includes construction of a recharge basin. The Program will impact groundwater levels by bringing in excess water into the District during wet years to recharge the aquifer. The Well Abandonment Project, sponsored by the County of Tulare on behalf of DACs within the Kaweah IRWM region, aims to address the issue of groundwater contamination through the abandonment of 100 unused wells near DACs. By destroying these wells, the County will protect local groundwater supplies from contamination because it will eliminate potential by conduit pathways.

**Table 4-2: Proposal Projects that Impact Groundwater and Associated Groundwater Management Plans**

| Projects that Impact Groundwater | Implementing Agencies      | Applicable Groundwater Management Plan |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Conjunctive Exchange Program     | Tulare Irrigation District | Tulare ID                              |

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| Well Abandonment Project | County of Tulare | Kaweah Delta WCD |
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The groundwater within the Kaweah River Basin IRWM area is not in an adjudicated groundwater basin. Kaweah Delta WCD’s groundwater management plan has been prepared and implemented in compliance with CWC §10753 and covers Kaweah Delta WCD’s service area (337,000 acres). Kaweah Delta WCD’s groundwater management plan is the most significant groundwater management component of the Kaweah River Basin IRWM Region’s IRWM Plan. Several local entities are signatory to Kaweah Delta WCD’s Groundwater Management Plan (GWMP), including the project proponents – County of Tulare and Tulare Irrigation District. These entities have all agreed to participate in Kaweah Delta WCD’s groundwater management plan that meets the requirements of CWC §10753. Additionally, Tulare ID has its own CWC §10753 compliant GWMP that it implements within its own jurisdictional boundaries.

All project proponents, Tulare ID and County of Tulare, involved in the Kaweah River Basin IRWM 2015 Implementation Grant proposal participate in a CWC §10753 compliant groundwater management plan. Copies of the self-certification for compliance with CWC §10753 for each project are attached in **Attachment 1 – Appendix G**.

**ATTACHMENT 1 – AUTHORIZATION AND ELIGIBILITY  
REQUIREMENTS**

**APPENDIX G**

**GWMP Compliance Forms for Tulare ID and County of Tulare**

California Department of Water Resources  
Integrated Regional Water Management Grant Programs

**CERTIFICATION FOR GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN COMPLIANCE  
FOR THE  
PROPOSITION 84, IMPLEMENTATION  
GRANT PROGRAM**

Grant Program: Proposition 84, Implementation  
IRWM Region: Kaweah River Basin IRWM Region  
Agency name: Tulare Irrigation District  
Project Title (as shown on application form): Conjunctive Exchange Program

Please check one of the boxes below and sign and date this form.

- As the authorized representative for the agency, I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the agency has prepared and implemented a GWMP in compliance with CWC §10753.7.
- As the authorized representative for the agency, I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the agency participates or consents to be subjected to an existing GWMP, basin-wide management plan, or other IRWM program or plan that meets the requirements of CWC §10753.7(a).
- As the authorized representative for the agency, I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the agency conforms to the requirements of an adjudication of water rights in the subject groundwater basin.
- As the authorized representative for the agency, I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that my project is located in a low or very low priority groundwater basin (as defined by CASGEM) and the agency consents to be subjected to a GWMP that will meet the requirements of CWC §10753.7 and be completed within 1-year of the grant application submittal date.

I understand that the Department of Water Resources will rely on this signed certification in order to approve funding and that false and/or inaccurate representations in this Certification may result in loss of all funds awarded to the applicant for its project. Additionally, for the aforementioned reasons, the Department of Water Resources may withhold disbursement of project funds, and/or pursue any other applicable legal remedy.

J. Paul Hendrix  
Name of Authorized Representative  
(Please print)

J. Paul Hendrix  
Signature

General Manager  
Title

July 10, 2015  
Date

California Department of Water Resources  
Integrated Regional Water Management Grant Programs

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FOR THE  
PROPOSITION 84, IMPLEMENTATION  
GRANT PROGRAM**

Grant Program: Proposition 84, Implementation  
IRWM Region: Kaweah River Basin IRWM Region  
Agency name: County of Tulare  
Project Title (as shown on application form): Well Abandonment Project

Please check one of the boxes below and sign and date this form.

- As the authorized representative for the agency, I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the agency has prepared and implemented a GWMP in compliance with CWC §10753.7.
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Jean M. Rousseau  
Name of Authorized Representative  
(Please print)



Signature

County Administrative Officer  
Title

8/5/15  
Date