



ATTACHMENT 3. STATUS OF GWMP

FMFCD is an active member of the Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan (GWMP), which is a collaborative effort among nine public agencies and one private water company in the Fresno-Clovis metropolitan and surrounding area. It was adopted by the governing bodies of all ten (10) participating entities in 2006. GWMP documents a regional approach toward groundwater management, while still addressing individual goals and issues for each of the participants. GWMP satisfies the new requirements for Groundwater Management Plans created by the September 2002 California State Senate Bill No. 1938, which amended Sections 10753 and 10795 of the California Water Code. GWMP also addresses recommended components for a Groundwater Management Plan described in Appendix C of Department of Water Resources Bulletin 118 (2003 Update).

Attached is the Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan, dated December 2006. At the end of the plan document are signed resolutions from each of the ten (10) participating entities regarding their adoption of the plan, as well as a Memorandum of Understanding signed by representatives of all ten (10) GWMP members. Also attached is a draft of the 2010 annual report of the work of the GWMP members. The draft also outlines future collaborative and independent work planned.

Two (2) additional formal regional groundwater management groups to which FMFCD belongs are the Upper Kings Basin Integrated Regional Water Management Authority, and the Southern Sierra Regional Water Management Group. The Upper Kings Integrated Regional Water Management Plan has gone through the Regional Acceptance Process and has been adopted by the Department of Water Resources. The Southern Sierra Integrated Regional Water Management Plan is presently under development. The FMFCD's service area overlaps with the boundaries of both groups, and so membership and active participation in both is appropriate. Also attached are staff reports to FMFCD's Board of Directors and signed resolutions authorizing FMFCD to become a member of these two (2) regional groups.