

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

COUNTIES OF FRESNO AND TULARE, CALIFORNIA

For Intention to Update the District's
Groundwater Management Plan

Resolution 2005 - 14

WHEREAS, the Orange Cove Irrigation District, Hills Valley Irrigation District, and Tri-Valley Water District adopted a Groundwater Management Plan on October 27, 1997, that is in accordance with Assembly Bill 3030; and

WHEREAS, the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of Groundwater Management Plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, updating the District's Groundwater Management Plan is in furtherance of and consistent with the District's goals and objectives; and

WHEREAS, the State of California recently adopted Senate Bill No. 1938, which specifies new requirements for Groundwater Management Plans; and

WHEREAS, The District's existing plan needs to be updated to meet the requirements of Senate Bill No. 1938 and the District believes that the Groundwater Management Plan should be updated to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938; and

WHEREAS, the District believes that updating and adopting a new Groundwater Management Plan will be in the best interest of the District's landowners and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the District;

WHEREAS, the Hills Valley Irrigation District and Tri-Valley Water District have granted the Orange Cove Irrigation District lead agency status for the update to the Groundwater Management Plan adopted by Orange Cove Irrigation District, Hills Valley Irrigation District and Tri-Valley Water District on October 27, 1997; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on December 8, 2004, to discuss the adoption and implementation of an updated Groundwater Management Plan;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. It is the intention of the District to update the Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with Senate Bill No. 1938, and the District's consultant is hereby authorized and directed to draft such a plan;
2. That this resolution shall be deemed a resolution of intention in accordance with California Water Code Section 10753.2;
3. After such a plan has been prepared, the District will conduct a second public hearing in accordance with the California Water Code Section 10753.5, et seq. to determine whether to adopt the plan;
4. That the officers of the District are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of intention to update the District's Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;
5. That the Board hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange Cove Irrigation District on November 9, 2005.

AYES: Directors Bailey, Collin, Brown, Miller and Katayama

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

 _____, President, Orange Cove Irrigation District

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I hereby certify that I am the Secretary of the Orange Cove Irrigation District and that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of said District at the Regular Meeting duly held in Orange Cove, California on November 9, 2005, at which meeting a quorum of said Board of Directors was at all times present and acting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said District this 9th day of November, 2005.



John P. Roldan, Secretary
Orange Cove Irrigation District