

MOOTAMAI MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
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June 8, 2016

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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO BECOME A GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
FOR PORTIONS OF THE PAUMA VALLEY GROUNDWATER SUB-BASIN, A SUB-
BASIN OF THE SAN LUIS REY VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN (DWR BASIN 9-7)**

Dear Mr. Nordberg:

Pursuant to California Water Code Section 10723.8 of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), the MOOTAMAI Municipal Water District (MMWD) provides this notice of its election to become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) and to undertake sustainable groundwater management for portions of the Pauma Valley Groundwater Sub-basin, a Sub-Basin of the San Luis Rey Valley Groundwater Basin, (DWR Basin 9-7) underlying the MMWD boundary as shown in Exhibit 1. The San Luis Rey Valley Groundwater Basin is designated as a medium priority sub-basin by DWR.

The Mootamai Municipal Water District is a public agency of the State of California organized and operation under the Municipal Water District Act of 1911, California Water Code Section 71000. et seq.

In accordance with Section 10723(b) of the California Water Code and Section 6066 of the California Government Code, a notice of public hearing was published in a newspaper of general circulation in Valley Center and Pauma Valley, San Diego County regarding MMWD's intent to consider becoming a GSA for the Pauma Valley Groundwater Sub-basin underlying the District's boundaries. Proof of Publication is shown as Exhibit 2.

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On May 9th, the MMWD Board of Director held a public hearing to consider the decision to serve as a GSA for portions of the Pauma Valley Groundwater Basin. No written comments were received prior to the public hearing. No comments were received at the public hearing.

Following the public hearing, MMWD's Board of Director adopted Resolution No. 159-16, enclosed as Exhibit 3, electing to become a GSA for all those portions of the Pauma Valley Groundwater Basin underlying the District's boundaries. MMWD is not proposing any new bylaws, ordinances, or other new authorities associated with this GSA formation.

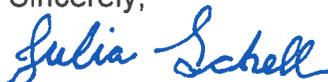
The District is in discussions with other agencies overlying portions of the Basin, and is interested in working cooperatively with them. To the best of MMWD's knowledge, the other entities considering formation of a GSA within the Pauma Valley Groundwater Basin currently include:

Valley Center Municipal Water District
Pauma Municipal Water District
Yuima Municipal Water District
County of San Diego

As required by Water Code Section 107238(a)(4), MMWD developed a list of interested parties, and this list will continue to be amended as necessary during the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) development process. As required by the Sustainability Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), MMWD will consider all beneficial uses and users of groundwater within the Basin, as well as those responsible for developing GSP's. MMWD will solicit feedback and participate in discussions with interested parties during GSP development. An initial list of interest parties is included as Exhibit 4, and will be used to ensure that Pursuant to California Water Code section 10723.2, MMWD will consider the interest of all beneficial uses and users of groundwater, as well as those responsible for implementing Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs).

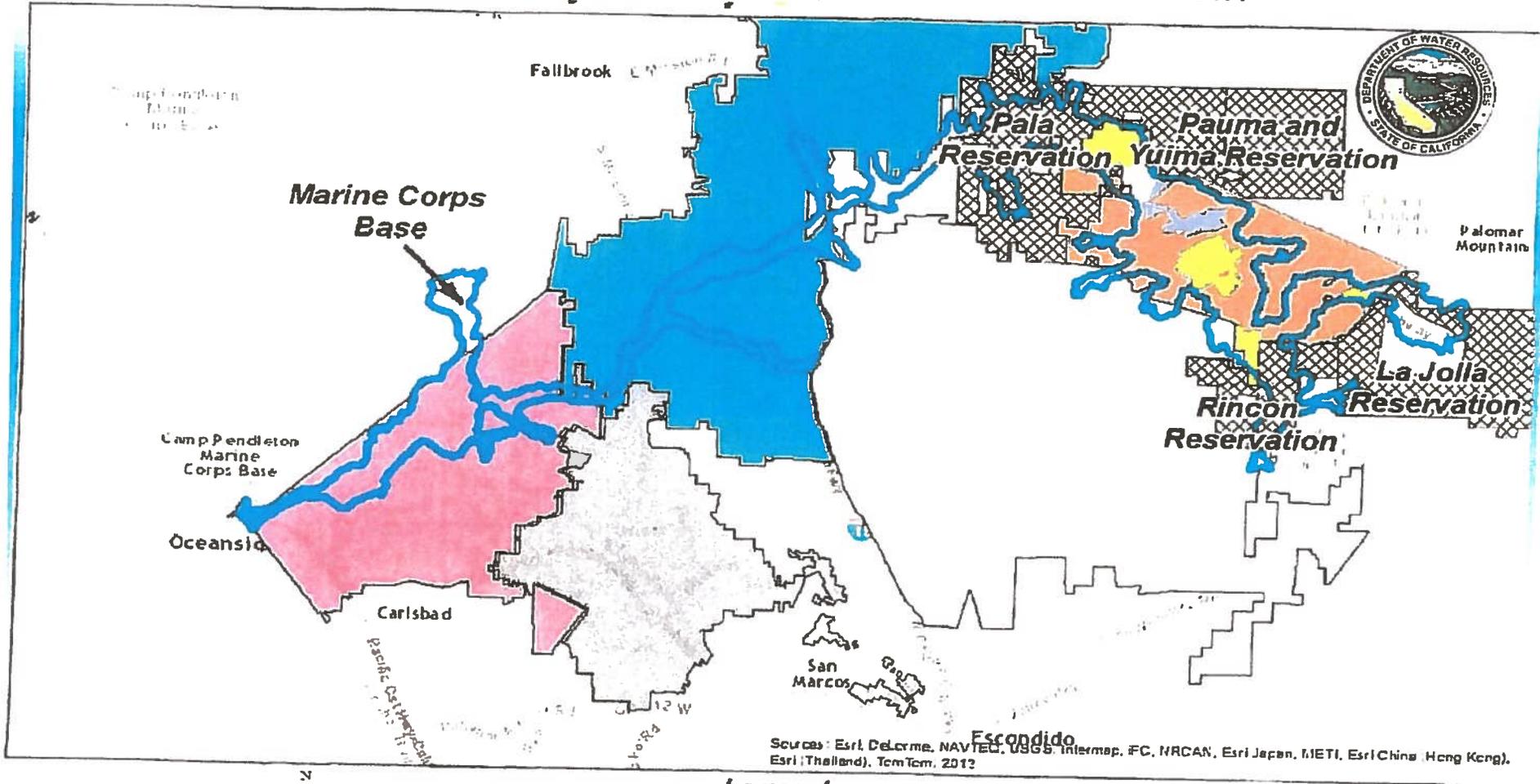
Please do not hesitate to contact my assistant, Jolyn Duff at (760) 742-3704 if you have any questions, or require further information.

Sincerely,

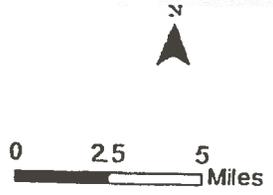


Julia Schell,
President

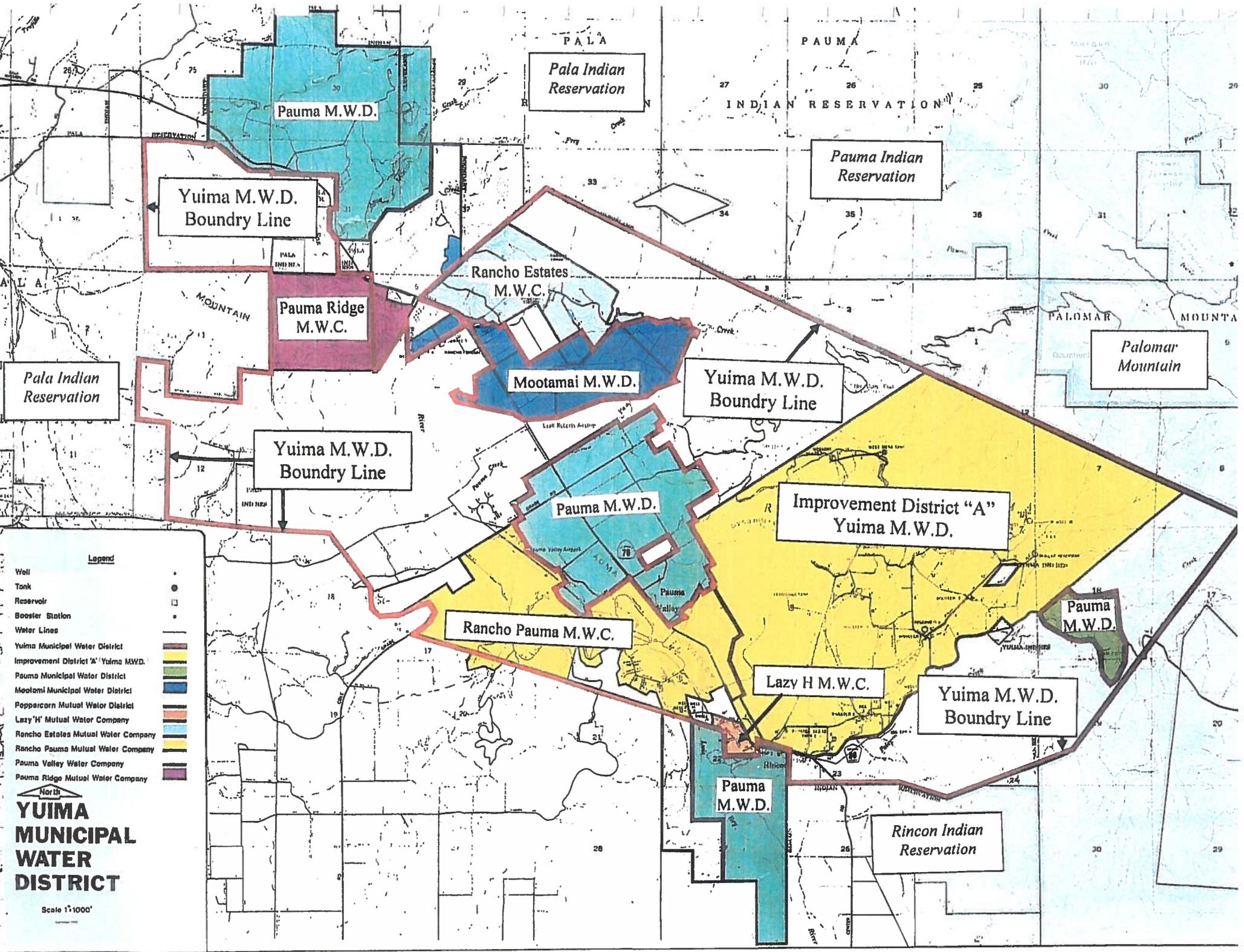
San Luis Rey Valley Groundwater Basin



Sources: Esri, DeLorme, NAVTEQ, USGS, Intermap, iFC, NRCAN, Esri Japan, METI, Esri China (Hong Kong), Esri (Thailand), TomTom, 2012



- Legend**
- San Luis Rey Valley Groundwater Basin (9-7)
- Water Agencies**
- City of Oceanside
 - Rainbow Municipal Water District
 - Yuima Municipal Water District
 - Valley Center Municipal Water District
 - Vista Irrigation District
 - Mootamai Municipal Water District
 - Pauma Municipal Water District



Legend

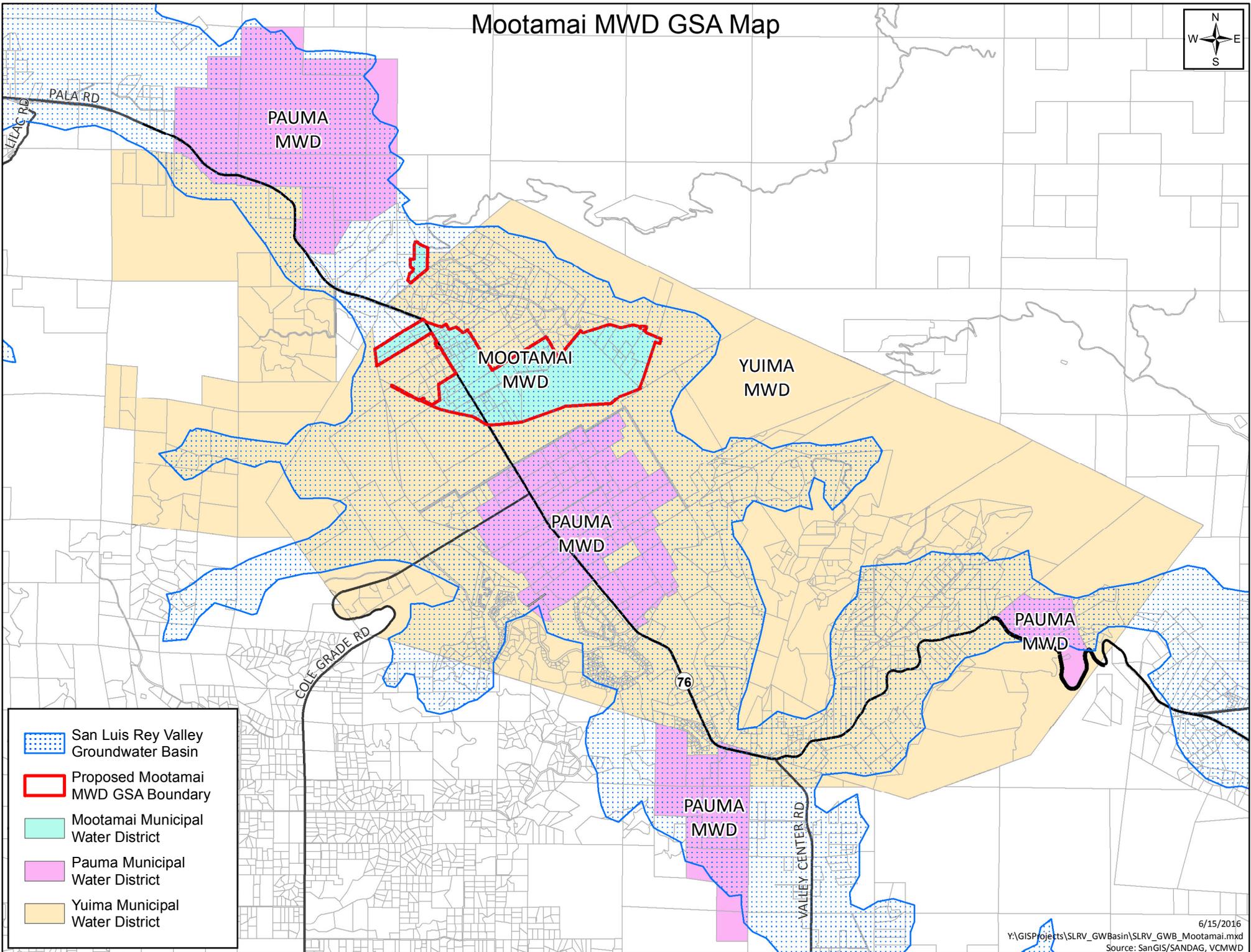
- Well
- Tank
- Reservoir
- Booster Station
- Water Lines
- Yuima Municipal Water District
- Improvement District 'A' Yuima M.W.D.
- Pauma Municipal Water District
- Mootamai Municipal Water District
- Peppercorn Mutual Water District
- Lazy 'H' Mutual Water Company
- Rancho Estates Mutual Water Company
- Rancho Pauma Mutual Water Company
- Pauma Valley Water Company
- Pauma Ridge Mutual Water Company

North

YUIMA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

Scale 1"=1000'

Mootamai MWD GSA Map





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PROOF OF PUBLICATION

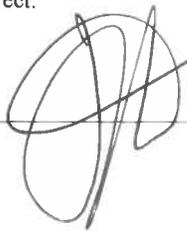
**State of California
County of San Diego**

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the County aforesaid: I am over the age of 18 years, and not a party to or interested in the above-entitled matter. I am the publisher of the Valley Roadrunner, a newspaper of general circulation, published weekly in the community of Valley Center, County of San Diego, and which newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of San Diego, State of California, under the date of April 29, 1977, Case number N 8284; that the notice, of which the annexed is a printed copy, has been published in each regular and entire issue of said newspaper and not in any supplement thereof on the following dates, to wit:

Published in: **VALLEY ROADRUNNER**
Run date - 4/28/16 & 05/05/16

Executed on: **May 05, 2016**
At Valley Center, CA

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature 

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
MOOTAMAI MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of Mootamai Municipal Water District (MMWD) will conduct a public hearing on May 9, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. at 34928 Valley Center Road, Pauma Valley, California, to hear comments from the public regarding MMWD's proposed election to be the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) within portions of the San Luis Rey Valley Groundwater Basin (SLRGB), pursuant to California Water Code Section 10723, and its intent to undertake sustainable groundwater management for that portion of the SLRGB that lies within the service area of MMWD.

After the public hearing, the Board may take action to submit a notice of intent, for MMWD to become a GSA, to the California Department of Water Resources. The notice of intent shall be posted pursuant to Water Code Section 10733.3 and will include a description of the proposed boundaries of the portions of the sub-basin for which MMWD will be the GSA. Said hearing will be conducted pursuant to Water Code Section 10723(b). Dated April 25, 2016

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RESOLUTION NO. 159-16

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
MOOTAMAI MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**

**ELECTING TO BECOME A GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
FOR PORTIONS OF THE PAUMA VALLEY GROUNDWATER SUB-BASIN,
A SUB-BASIN OF THE SAN LUIS REY VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN
(DWR BASIN 9-7)**

WHEREAS, in September 2014 the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) was signed into law, with an effective date of January 1, 2015 which authorizes local agencies to manage groundwater in a sustainable fashion; and

WHEREAS, the legislative intent of SGMA is, among other goals, to provide for sustainable management of groundwater basins and sub-basins defined by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR), to enhance local management of groundwater, to establish minimum standards for sustainable groundwater management, and to provide specified local agencies with the authority and the technical and financial assistance necessary to sustainably manage groundwater; and

WHEREAS, Water Code Section 10723(a) authorizes a local agency with water supply, water management or local land use responsibilities overlying a groundwater basin to elect to become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) under SGMA; and

WHEREAS, the San Luis Rey Groundwater Basin has been designated by DWR as a medium priority basin; and

WHEREAS, the Mootamai Municipal Water District (District) is a local agency as defined under the SGMA, overlying portions of the Pauma Valley Groundwater Sub-basin, and is therefore eligible to serve as a GSA within the Basin; and

WHEREAS, Section 10723.2 of the SGMA requires that a GSA consider the interest of all beneficial uses and users of groundwater, as well as those responsible for implementing groundwater sustainability plans; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the District to work cooperatively with other water agencies, the County of San Diego, all beneficial users of groundwater, applicable stakeholders and with community interests as may be appropriate, to manage the Pauma Valley Groundwater Basin in a sustainable fashion; and

WHEREAS, Water Code Section 10723(d) provides that a local agency “that elects to be a groundwater sustainability agency shall submit a notice of intent to the Department of Water Resources”; and

WHEREAS California Water Code Section 10723.8 requires that a local agency, electing to serve as a GSA, notify DWR within 30 days of the local agency’s election to become a GSA authorized to undertake sustainable groundwater management within a basin; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Water Code Section 10723(b) and Government Code Section 6066, a notice of public hearing was published in a newspaper of general circulation regarding the District's intent to consider becoming a GSA for portions of the Pauma Valley Groundwater Sub-basin; and

WHEREAS, the District held a public hearing on May 9, 2016 to consider the adoption of this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, becoming a GSA supports this District's ongoing efforts to conduct groundwater management in the region and to ensure water supply sustainability within the area served by the District;

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interests of the District to become a groundwater sustainability agency for the Basin.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Mootamia Municipal Water District as follows:

1. Mootamai Municipal Water District hereby elects to be the GSA for underlying areas of the Pauma Valley Groundwater sub-basin within the jurisdictional boundaries of the District.
2. The Board President is directed to submit to DWR, within thirty (30) days of the approval of this Resolution, the notice and supporting documentation required by Water Code sections 10723(d), 10723.8(a) and any other materials required by SGMA to support the District's formation of a GSA.
3. The Board President or her designee shall begin discussions with other local agencies, and with the County of San Diego in order to begin the process of developing groundwater sustainability plans for the Basin and to develop a plan for the District, or a joint plan with other groundwater sustainability agencies in which the District might join, in consultation and close coordination with other local agencies, as contemplated by the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.

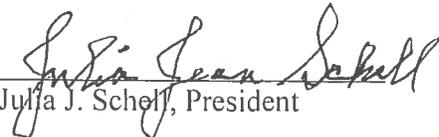
PASSED AND ADOPTED at a special meeting of the Board of Directors of MOOTAMAI MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT held May 9, 2016 by the following roll-call vote:

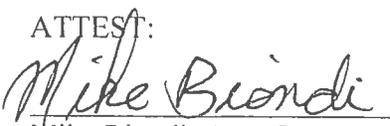
AYES: Schell, Biondi, Larios

NOES: none

ABSENT: Devers

ABSTAIN: None


Julia J. Schell, President

ATTEST:

Mike Biondi, Asst. Secretary

CERTIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO)

I, Mike Biondi, the undersigned, state that I am the Assistant Secretary of Mootamai Municipal Water District and that Resolution No. 159-16 adopted on May 9, 2016, is true and correct, and that said Resolution has not been modified or rescinded.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said District this 9th day of May, 2016.


Mike Biondi, Asst. Secretary
Mootamai Municipal Water District

seal

Pauma Valley Groundwater Basin – Initial Listing of Interested Parties EXHIBIT 4

Municipal Water District's Known Public Agencies forming GSA's for those portions of the Pauma Valley Groundwater Basin underlying their jurisdictional boundaries

Yuima Municipal Water District

Lori A. Johnson, General Manager

P.O. Box 847

Pauma Valley, Ca. 92061

lori@yuimamwd.com

(760) 742-3704

(760) 802-2692

Pauma Municipal Water District (no imported water supply)

Warren Lyall, Board President

P.O. Box 706

15524 Highway 76

Pauma Valley, Ca. 92061

wcllyall@gmail.com

(760) 742-3256

(760) 855-3637

Mootamai Municipal Water District (no imported water supply)

Jeannie Schell, Board President

P.O. Box 812

Pauma Valley, Ca. 92061

mootamai@yuimamwd.com

(760) 742-3704

(760) 207-2956

Valley Center Municipal Water District

Gary Arant, General Manager

P.O. Box 67

Valley Center, Ca. 92061

garant@valleycenterwater.org

(760) 735-4515

(760) 522-4024

County of San Diego

Jim Bennett, Groundwater Geologist

5510 Overland Avenue, 3rd Floor

San Diego, Ca. 92123

Jim.bennett@sdcounty.ca.gov

(858)694-3820

Other interested parties & Stakeholders

Upper San Luis Rey Resource Conservation District

Jesse Hutchings, Board President

P.O. Box 921

Pauma Valley, Ca. 92061

Jessew101@earthlink.net

(760) 742-3564

(619) 990-9981

Other Public Agencies & Stakeholders

Pauma Valley Community Services District (sewer & security district)

Charles Mathews, Board President

33129 Cole Grade Road

Pauma Valley, Ca. 92061

Mathews.charles@gmail.com

mindy@paumavalleycsd.com

(760) 742-1909

(760) 481-4201

Rincon Ranch Community Services District (road district)

Roland Simpson, Director

P.O. Box 882

Pauma Valley, Ca. 92061

rinconranchcsd@gmail.com

(760) 802-2692

Mutual Water Companies

Rancho Pauma Mutual Water Company (in Boundaries of Yuima MWD)

Charles Mathews, Board President

33129 Cole Grade Road

Pauma Valley, Ca. 92061

Mathews.charles@gmail.com

mindy@paumavalleycsd.com

(760) 742-1909

(760) 481-4201

Lazy H Mutual Water Company (in Boundaries of Yuima MWD)

Don Continelli, Board President

P.O. Box 177

Pauma Valley, Ca. 92061

djcont@aol.com

lazyhmwd@yuimamwd.com

(760) 742-3704

(760) 224-3458

Rancho Estates Mutual Water Company (in Boundaries of Yuima MWD)

Bobby Graziano, Board President

P.O. Box 439

Valley Center, Ca. 92082

Bobby.graziano@gmail.com

(760) 432-1231

(760)297-6307

Rincon Oaks Water Service (in Boundaries of Yuima MWD)

Attn: Douglas Anderson, Manager

17675 Highway 76

Pauma Valley, Ca. 92061

Mrorange1939@gmail.com

(760) 212-2642

Pauma Ridge Mutual Water Company (in Boundaries of Yuima MWD)

30470 Circle R Lane

Valley Center, Ca. 92082

hrrburnet@sbcglobal.net

(760) 455-3286

Peppercorn Mutual Water Company (in Boundaries of Valley Center MWD)

Chuck Bandy, Manager

mcmillanfarmmgt@msn.com

Pauma Valley Mutual Water Company (in Boundaries of Mootamai MWD)

Earl Rutz, President

760-390-0744

Earlrutz1@mac.com

Other stakeholders

San Luis Rey Indian Water Authority (represents 5 bands)

Bo Mazetti, Chairman

Chris Devers

P.O. Box 428

Pauma Valley, Ca. 92061

(760) 751-5188

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Indian Tribes in the area

Pauma Band of Luiseño Indians

Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians

La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians

Pala Band of Luiseño Indians

San Pasqual Band of Indians

Other Stakeholders

Private groundwater pumpers (not within the boundaries of a Municipal)

Private groundwater pumpers (in Boundaries of Yuima MWD)

The Pauma Valley area is a rural agricultural community heavily dependent on the local ground water from the Pauma Valley Groundwater Basin, with some imported water available to those areas within the Yuima & Valley Center MWD's. The population, consisting of 38% Hispanic, 17.9% American Indian and 38.8% White – with other Ethnic groups consisting of the remainder of the area's population will be represented.