BOARD OF DIRECTORS
UPPER VENTURA RIVER GROUNDWATER AGENCY

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE UPPER VENTURA RIVER GROUNDWATER AGENCY
ADOPTING A GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN FOR
THE UPPER VENTURA RIVER VALLEY BASIN

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE UPPER
VENTURA RIVER GROUNDWATER AGENCY as follows:

WHEREAS, the California Legislature passed a statewide framework for sustainable groundwater
management, known as the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (California Water Code
section 10720 et seq.), pursuant to Senate Bill 1168, Senate Bill 1319, and Assembly Bill 1739,
which was approved by the Governor and Chaptered by the Secretary of State on September 16,
2014; and,

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) went into effect on January
1, 2015; and,

WHEREAS, SGMA requires all high- and medium-priority groundwater basins, as designated by
the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) Bulletin 118, to be managed by a
groundwater sustainability agency (GSA); and,

WHEREAS, the Upper Ventura River Valley Subbasin has been designated by DWR as a
medium-priority subbasin of the Ventura River Basin (DWR Bulletin 118 Groundwater Basin: 4-003.01); and,

WHEREAS, the Casitas Municipal Water District, the Ventura River Water District, the Meiners
Oaks Water District, the City of San Buenaventura, and the County of Ventura elected on March
9, 2017 to become a GSA for the Subbasin; and,

WHEREAS, SGMA requires that all basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins and
not subject to critical conditions of overdraft be managed by a groundwater sustainability plan
(GSP) by January 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Upper Ventura River Groundwater Agency filed an initial notification of its intent
to develop a GSP for the Subbasin in accordance with Water Code section 10727.8 on December
20, 2017; and,

WHEREAS, Upper Ventura River Groundwater Agency has prepared a GSP for its boundaries in
accordance with Water Code section 10727.2 to include all the components required by SGMA; and,
WHEREAS, Upper Ventura River Groundwater Agency gave notice on August 11, 2021, pursuant to Water Code section 10728.4, to affected cities and counties regarding its intent to adopt a GSP; and,

WHEREAS, Upper Ventura River Groundwater Agency held a hearing on December 9, 2021 for the purpose of receiving public comment and considering adoption of a GSP for the Subbasin; and,

WHEREAS, upon adoption of a GSP, Water Code section 10733.4 requires that GSP to be submitted to DWR for review.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Upper Ventura River Groundwater Agency as follows:

1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.

2. The GSP, in the form presented this day to the Board of Directors and subject to any final non-substantive edits that may be made at the Executive Director’s discretion prior to submittal to DWR, is hereby approved and adopted.

3. The Executive Director is authorized and directed to timely provide notification of this approval and adoption to DWR, including a copy of this Resolution, the approved GSP, and any additional information required by law.

[signature page follows]
PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 6th day of January 2022.

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Diana Engle, Board Chair

ATTEST:

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Bryan Bondy
Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Keith Lemieux, Upper Ventura River
Groundwater Agency General Counsel
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