AMENDED (ERRATA CORRECTED) GRAVELLY FORD WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 2019-05

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GRAVELLY FORD WATER DISTRICT AUTHORIZING ENGINEERING FIRM'S PREPARATION OF PRELIMINARY REPORT FOR A PROP "218" ELECTION

WHEREAS, Gravelly Ford Water District is required to comply with California State Sustainability Groundwater Management Act for a Groundwater Sustainable Agency with a Groundwater Sustainable Plan; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of such GSA/GSP process requires extraordinary expenses initially and each year to be expended by the District for further expert reports, administration, data collection, and report filing in Sacramento about water use, ground water elevations, ground subsidence elevations, and participation in the Madera Ground Water Subbasin Cooperative Agreement (with Madera County, City of Madera, New Stone Water District, Root Creek Water District, Madera Irrigation District and Madera Water District) and other Sustainability Act cost items; and

WHEREAS, it is proposed to attain the funds to cover these costs by assessing lands within the District on a "per acre" basis, based on benefits received; and

WHEREAS, California Proposition "218" requires that such assessments be approved by a vote of landowners within the Gravelly Ford Water District; and

WHEREAS, the Proposition"218" Tax Assessment process/Prop 26 Election process requires the preparation of a Preliminary Engineer's Report that establishes the benefits and costs associated to each parcel within the District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Gravelly Ford Water District that the Board does hereby authorize engineers Quad Knopf Inc. (dba QK) to prepare the Preliminary Engineer's Report and other matters so as to effect a Prop 218 Tax Assessment/Prop 26 Election that will collect funds to cover initial and annual expenses for various SGMA related matters for the District;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the maximum assessment per acre be initially established at a maximum of \$30 per acre per year (with the exact amount each year to be set by the board) to reflect budget amounts needed or anticipated. Any proposed cost increases after maintaining the \$30 per acre cap for at least 5 years, would require an additional election process.

Resolution 2019-05 was duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Gravelly Ford Water District at their meeting of August 12, 2019.

The Amended (Errata Correction) Resolution No 2019-05 was duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Gravelly Ford Water District at the meeting of October 21, 2019 upon motion of Director P Stewart and seconded by Director D Kirk upon the following vote:

AYES:

Directors D Kirk, P Stewart, S Kirk

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

K Basila, S Emmert

ABSTAIN:

None

Steve Emmert, President

Kenneth Basila, Secretary

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

The undersigned Deputy Secretary of the Board of the Gravelly Ford Water District hereby certifies that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2019-05 Amended (Errata Corrected) adopted October 21, 2019.

Don Roberts, Deputy Secretary

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GRAVELLY FORD WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 2019-08

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GRAVELLY FORD WATER DISTRICT PROP "218" TAX ASSESSMENT / PROP 26 ELECTION PROCESS

WHEREAS, the Gravelly Ford Water District (GFWD) Board of Directors authorized by Resolution No. 2019-05 a landowner vote for a proposed Proposition "218" Tax Assessment / Prop 26 Election that will collect funds to cover initial and annual expenses for various SGMA related matters for the District; and

WHEREAS, the Ballots provided votes on a "per acre" basis for benefits received; and

WHEREAS, the Ballots for each parcel of land within GFWD were sent by registered mail to all landowners; and

WHEREAS, the Ballots for the Election had to be returned to the District on or before December 16, 2019 either by mailing to the District Office or by submittal at the regularly scheduled Board Meeting on December 16, 2019 at the O'Neill Agri-Management Office; and

WHEREAS, the District scheduled a Public Hearing for the District's proposed Proposition "218" Tax Assessment / Prop 26 Election to receive Public Testimony, to receive the mailed Ballots, to accept any additional Ballots, and to count and certify the Ballots received; and

WHEREAS, President Steve Emmert opened the Public Hearing for the Proposition "218" Assessment at 1:40 PM; and

WHEREAS, there were no landowners or landowner representatives in the audience, and no one from the public spoke for or against the Proposal; and President Steve Emmert called for any additional Ballots and none were presented; and

WHEREAS, GFWD received a letter from Madera Irrigation District's attorney stating MID's position on why they would be exempt from any assessment. That letter provided an opinion that would allow their vote to go from "No" to "Yes". No action was taken on MID's letter; and

WHEREAS, President Steve Emmert declared the Public Hearing closed at 1:50 PM; and

WHEREAS, the "218" Election Ballots received by the District were given to designated "Neutral Observers" (Michael Naito and Roy Catania) for an Official Ballot Count; and

WHEREAS, the Ballot Count was completed with the following results for the 8314.47 total votes being noted:

> YES NO 4,937.84 1.092.89 59.39% 13.14%

NOT VOTING (received or not returned) 2.283.74

27.47%

WHEREAS, for Proposition "218" Assessment / Prop26 Election to be defeated, 50% of the Ballots plus one would have to be "No"; and

WHEREAS, a majority of Ballots contained a "Yes" vote; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Directors of the Gravelly Ford Water District hereby certifies that the Proposition"218" Assessment Election was approved by a majority of the Ballots cast; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes and directs the Proposition "218" Ballot Process / Prop 26 Election be implemented immediately; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Manager be directed to notify all landowners and grower representatives by letter as well as everyone on the District's correspondence email list of the Ballot results; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the General Manager be directed to save and store the Ballots in a secure location for a period of three years; and

The foregoing Resolution 2019-08 was duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Gravelly Ford Water District at the meeting of December 16, 2019 upon the motion of Director K Basila and second by Director P Stewart upon the following vote:

AYES:

Directors D Kirk, P Stewart, S Kirk, K Basila, S Emmert

NOES:

None

ABSENT: None

Kenneth Basila, Secretary

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

The undersigned Deputy Secretary of the Board of the Gravelly Ford Water District hereby certifies that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2019-08 adopted December 16, 2019.

Don Roberts, Deputy Secretary

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GRAVELLY FORD WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 2024-04

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GRAVELLY FORD WATER DISTRICT ESTABLISHING SPECIAL BENEFIT ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025

WHEREAS, Gravelly Ford Water District (District) is required to comply with California State Groundwater Management Act for a Groundwater Sustainability Agency with a Groundwater Sustainability Plan; and

WHEREAS, on August 12, 2019, the District's Board of Directors approved the adoption of Resolution 2019-05 authorizing the Engineering Firm's preparation of the Preliminary Report for a Proposition "218" Election to cover extraordinary expenses required to comply with the above referenced mandates; and

WHEREAS, on October 21, 2019, the District's Board of Directors approved the adoption of Amended (Errata Corrected) Resolution 2019-05 for wording correction; and

WHEREAS, on October 28, 2019, the Board of Directors approved and accepted the Engineer's Report for the proposed assessments for implementation for the GSP "218" Election; and

WHEREAS, on October 28, 2019, the Board of Directors voted to set the 45 day Public Review Period to begin November 1, 2019, and to have two neutral parties count the ballots for the "218" Election; and

WHEREAS, on December 16, 2019, the Board of Directors approved the adoption of Resolution 2019-08 certifying the voting results approving the Proposition "218" Election; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors wishes to adopt a rate in accordance with the approved Engineer's Report Special Benefit Assessment for Fiscal Property Tax Year 2024-2025 as shown on Exhibit A;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Gravelly Ford Water District that the Board does hereby authorize the adoption of a Special Benefit Assessment Rate for expenses for various related SGMA related matters for the Fiscal Property Tax Year 2024-2025 in amount of \$29.52 per acre and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rates to be levied on parcels subject to the Special Benefit Assessment for Fiscal Property Tax Year 2024-2025 shall conform to the requirements of AB 2476 and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Secretary is directed to furnish and deliver a Certified Copy of this Resolution to the Madera County Tax Collector and the Madera County Controller so the Special Benefit Assessment shall be collected with the County of Madera Equalized Assessment Roll and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Resolution 2024-04 shall be effective immediately.

The foregoing Resolution 2024-04 was duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Gravelly Ford Water District at the meeting of June 17, 2024 upon the motion of Director N Davis, seconded by Director M Naito upon the following vote:

AYES:

Directors N Davis, D Kirk, M Naito, P Stewart

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

S Kirk

ABSTAIN:

None

Seth Kirk, President

Diane Kirk, Secretary

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY The undersigned Deputy Secretary of the Board of the Gravelly Ford Water District hereby certifies that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2024-04 adopted June 17, 2024.

Don Roberts, Deputy Secretary

EXHIBIT A

Final Draft

Executive Summary

Assessment Rate Projections

Table A Initial Proposed Rate for GFWDGSA

Assessment Rate Table	FY '20	FY '211	FY '221	FY '231	FY '241
Total Annual GSA Charge per Acre	\$26.74	\$27.41	\$28.09	\$28.80	\$29.52
Total Revenue	\$232,780	\$238,600	\$244,565	\$250,679	\$256,946

Table B Subsequent Proposed Rate for GFWDGSA

Assessment Rate	FY '251	FY '261	FY '271	FY '281	FY '291
Total Annual GSA Charge per Acre	\$4.16	\$4.26	\$4.37	\$4.48	\$4.59
Total Revenue	\$36,197	\$37,102	\$38,029	\$38,980	\$39,954