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SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO INITIATE DEVELOPMENT OF GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN FOR THE PASO ROBLES GROUNDWATER BASIN

To Whom It May Concern,

In accordance with California Water Code Section 10727.8 and the Title 23, Section 353.6 of the California Code of Regulations, the County of San Luis Obispo, acting as the Paso Basin – County of San Luis Obispo Groundwater Sustainability Agency, hereby gives notice that it intends to initiate development of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) in coordination with the other groundwater sustainability agencies (GSAs) for the Paso Robles Area Subbasin (3-004.06, "Paso Basin").

Five local agencies in San Luis Obispo County (County of San Luis Obispo, City of Paso Robles, San Miguel Community Services District, Heritage Ranch Community Services District, and Shandon-San Juan Water District) and one local agency in Monterey County (Salinas Valley Basin GSA) completed the GSA formation process, covering all of the Paso Basin (see attached vicinity map).

The five GSAs within the County of San Luis Obispo entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) that established the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee (Committee) and

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the terms under which the Committee will collaboratively develop a single GSP that will be considered for adoption by each of the five GSAs and subsequently submitted to DWR for approval. The Committee is composed of representatives from each of the MOA's member GSAs and is tasked with conducting activities related to GSP development and Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) implementation, at the pleasure and under the guidance of the GSAs. Pursuant to the MOA, all meetings of the Committee will be conducted in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act (Government Code §§ 54950 *et seq.*) ("Brown Act").

The Committee will be coordinating with the Salinas Valley Basin GSA to develop a recommendation on the form of coordination between all of the GSAs in the Paso Basin, as required by SGMA. Discussions are underway regarding the form of this coordination and whether a single, multi-county GSP will be developed to cover the entire Paso Basin or if there will be two coordinated GSPs covering the Paso Basin, one for that portion in San Luis Obispo County and one for that portion in Monterey County. The Committee will keep interested parties and the GSAs informed as it further develops a recommended relationship with the Salinas Valley Basin GSA.

Interested parties are encouraged to participate in the GSP development. The Committee is tasked with developing a stakeholder participation plan and, as needed, establishment of standing or *ad hoc* advisory committees. The Committee will be developing said plan in the coming months including how interested parties can participate on such advisory committees. In the meantime, interested parties can participate by attending Committee meetings and/or related public workshops. The Committee meeting dates and locations are posted by each GSA, and noticed through the interested stakeholder e-mail list and press releases. Interested parties can visit the County's SGMA webpage at: www.slocountywater.org/sgma to get additional information, view the GSAs' MOA, sign up for the interested stakeholder e-mail list, and to see materials for past or upcoming meetings related to the GSP development.

The County of San Luis Obispo and its partner GSAs within the Paso Basin look forward to working with the Department of Water Resources and basin stakeholders towards sustainable groundwater management planning and implementation. Please do not hesitate to contact Angela Ruberto, Water Resources Engineer, at (805) 781-5139 if you have questions or comments.

Sincerely,



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Attachment: Vicinity Map

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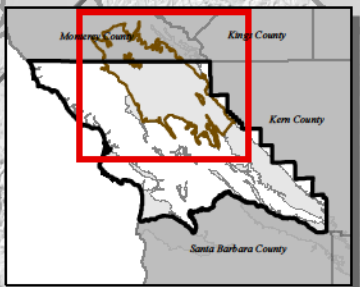
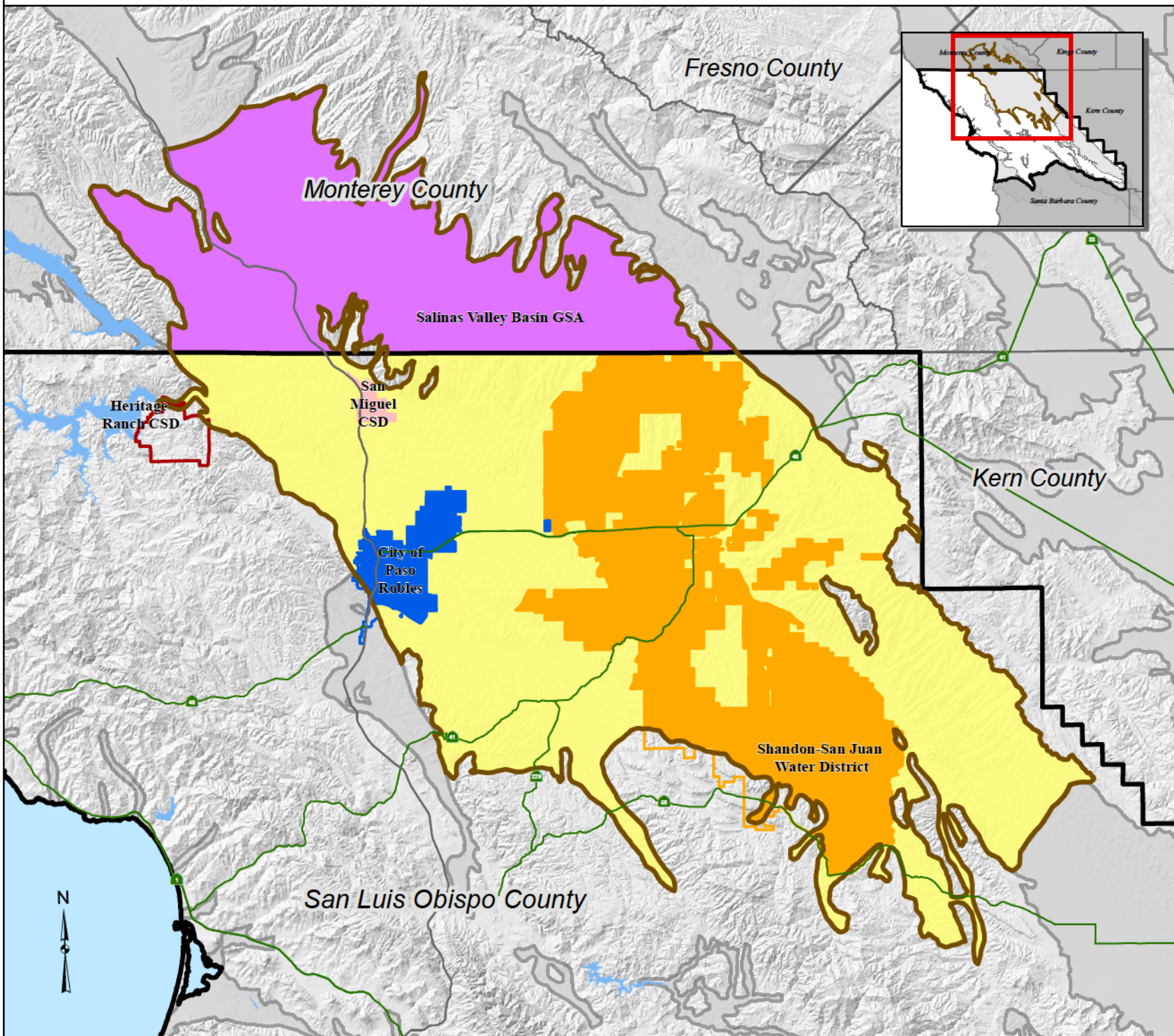
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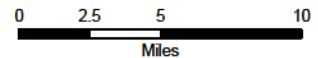
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Paso Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agencies Boundaries



- DWR Bulletin 118 Salinas Valley - Paso Robles Area Subbasin
- Department of Water Resources (DWR) - Other Bulletin 118 Groundwater Basins
- County of San Luis Obispo Service Area
- GSA's**
- City of Paso Robles GSA Coverage Area
- Heritage Ranch CSD GSA Coverage Area
- Paso Basin - County of San Luis Obispo GSA Coverage Area
- Salinas Valley Basin GSA- Monterey County Coverage Area
- San Miguel CSD GSA Service Area
- Shandon-San Juan Water District GSA Coverage Area



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