
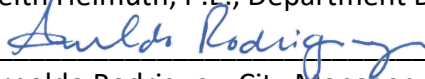




## REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

Approved by:

  
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Keith Helmuth, P.E., Department Director

  
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Arnaldo Rodriguez, City Manager

Council Meeting of: January 6, 2020

Agenda Number: B-9

### SUBJECT:

Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) Grant Program Proposition 1 Implementation Round 1 Application

### RECOMMENDATION:

Approve a Minute Order in Favor of the Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) Grant Program Proposition 1 Implementation Round 1 Application on behalf of the County of Madera

### SUMMARY:

The City received a request for a letter of support from the County to support the Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) Grant Program Proposition 1 Implementation Round 1 application. The application provides funding in support of the Madera County Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) and Triangle T Water District GSA Chowchilla Bypass Recharge and Flood Reduction Project Phase 1.

### DISCUSSION:

The grant application will assist in support of funding of the Madera County GSA and Triangle T Water District GSA Chowchilla Bypass Recharge and Flood Reduction Project Phase 1. This project is intended to provide drought resiliency and is fundamental to reducing subsidence and the regional sustainability of groundwater. In addition, Madera County and Triangle T Water District will benefit through enhanced water quality to regional domestic well owners.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Approval of this Minute Order will not have an impact on the City's General Fund.

**CONSISTENCY WITH THE VISION MADERA 2025 PLAN:**

While the action this letter supports is not directly addressed in the Vision Plan, it likely bolsters the following strategy:

**Strategy 434: Water Quality and Usage: Ensure continued water supplies to meet the demands of all Maderans through innovative reclamation, conservation and education on water-use.**

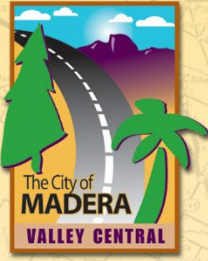
**ALTERNATIVES:**

As an alternative, the Council may elect to not provide a letter of support. Such a decision may not result in County's ability to secure grant, but neither will it assist in that outcome.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Letter of Support

**Attachment 1**  
Letter of Support



January 6, 2021

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**Re: Letter of support for Madera County Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM)'s Grant Program Proposition 1 Implementation Round 1 Application**

The City of Madera supports the Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM)'s Grant Program Proposition 1 Implementation Round 1 application in the Madera and Chowchilla Subbasins.

While the City of Madera represents only about 10,100 acres of the 215,000 irrigated acres within the Madera Subbasin, it still recognizes that any benefit to the subbasin as a whole benefits the City as well.

The Madera County GSA and Root Creek Water District GSA East Madera Subbasin Recharge Project provides drought resiliency and is fundamental to the regional sustainability of groundwater. Disadvantaged Communities in Madera County will directly benefit from the Project through groundwater replenishment. This project will also provide enhanced water quality to regional domestic well owners.

Should you wish to discuss, please contact Keith Helmuth, City Engineer (559) 661.5423 or via email at [khelmuth@madera.gov](mailto:khelmuth@madera.gov).

Sincerely,

Arnoldo Rodriguez  
City Manager

cc. Stephanie Anagnoson, Director of Water & Natural Resources, Madera County