

Acknowledgement Form

Request for Written Verification under Executive Order N-7-22

The undersigned as owner of the property where the well is proposed (“Applicant”) is submitting an Application (“Application”) to the Santa Barbara County Environmental Health Services (“EHS”) for a permit to construct a water well. Pursuant to Executive Order N-7-22, section 9, before EHS may grant said Application, the Santa Ynez River Valley Groundwater Basin Western Management Area (“WMA”) Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“GSA”) must provide written verification to EHS that “groundwater extraction by the proposed well would not be inconsistent with any sustainable groundwater management program established in any applicable Groundwater Sustainability Plan ... and would not decrease the likelihood of achieving a sustainability goal for the basin covered by such a plan.”

Applicant hereby requests that the WMA GSA review the Application and provide the required written verification.

**TYPE OF APPLICATION** (Check only one)

- Replacement Well
- New or Modified Well

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT** (Initial the following provisions)

\_\_\_\_\_ I acknowledge that the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (“SGMA”) requires that the WMA GSA, as the exclusive Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the Western Management Area of the Santa Ynez River Valley Groundwater Basin (“Basin”), sustainably manage the groundwater resources of the WMA.

\_\_\_\_\_ I acknowledge that the WMA GSA is authorized by SGMA to limit extractions within its jurisdiction including extractions from a well permitted pursuant to the Application and that a well permit issued by EHS does not guarantee the extraction of any specific amount of water now or in the future.

\_\_\_\_\_ I acknowledge that the WMA GSA is authorized to establish, and has established, specific groundwater requirements, including minimum thresholds and measurable objectives, and I agree that my groundwater use is subject to these requirements and other authorities that may be carried out under SGMA.

\_\_\_\_\_ I acknowledge the WMA GSA cannot and does not guarantee any defined water use, water level, or water quality in the WMA or the Basin.

\_\_\_\_\_ I acknowledge the WMA GSA is not responsible for or otherwise liable for any costs, investments, or payments related to any groundwater well permitted pursuant to the Application, including pumping fees, extraction limits, costs related to well failure, well deepening, increased maintenance, replacement, or operational costs.

\_\_\_\_\_ I acknowledge that the proposed water well, as applicable, will be operated in compliance with all current and future laws, rules, and regulations, including, but not limited to, compliance with any applicable well registration and groundwater production reporting requirements.

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Print Name of PROPERTY OWNER

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Signature of PROPERTY OWNER

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Date