

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-04

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE SALINAS VALLEY BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
SETTING THE TIER 1 GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY FEE FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 (FY 2027)**

WHEREAS:

- 1) The Board of Directors (“Board”) of the Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“SVBGSA”) has approved the FY 2027 Work Plan and FY 2027 Budget that establish the revenue requirement for FY 2027 Groundwater Sustainability Fee (“Fee”) calculations;
- 2) A public hearing was noticed for the Board of Directors meeting of July 9, 2026, for the purpose of considering setting the FY 2027 Fee;
- 3) Adoption of the FY 2027 Fee is based on the best available data known at the time, is specific to FY 2027, and is not intended to be determinative of how the Fee may be set in the future to fund either management actions or projects;
- 4) It is the intent of the Board that nothing in this resolution is to a) affect the water rights or other entitlement to the use of water of any holder of such rights or entitlements within the Basin, b) affect the rights or obligations held by any party to prior litigation, whether by settlement or final judgement, or c) suggest, imply or determine that lands subject to the Fee have different, greater or lesser rights under any applicable GSP than lands not subject to the Fee; and
- 5) As set, the FY 2027 Fee will comply with the requirements of the California Constitution, the state law and SVBGSA Regulatory Fee Policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency as follows:

- 1) The above recitals are true and correct and substantial evidence supports them.
- 2) FY 2027 Tier 1 Groundwater Sustainability Fee is hereby set as follows:

Agricultural User (per cropped acre)	\$13.71
Domestic User (per connection)	\$5.90

- 3) FY 2027 Tier 1 Groundwater Sustainability Fee will be collected in all subbasins except the Marina and Ord Areas of the Monterey Subbasin.
- 4) The General Manager and Agency Counsel are hereby authorized and directed to take such other and further actions as may be necessary or appropriate to implement the intent and purposes of this resolution.

Passed and adopted this 9th day of July 2026 by the following vote:

AYES: Adcock, Church, Cremers, Donohue, Kelly, Lee, McIntyre, Rotticci, Stefani, Chapin
NOES: None

ABSENT: Velazquez
ABSTAIN: None

Signed by:

Caroline Chapin

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C. Chapin, Chair

7/10/2026

Date

ATTEST:

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Harrison Tregenza

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Date

Clerk of the Board of Directors
Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency
County of Monterey, State of California