



Proposed Sustainability Plan Statement of Cooperation

Objectives: In compliance with SGMA, the Mid-Kaweah GSA Members will strive to (a) identify strategies to avoid agricultural land retirement, (b) create opportunities for city Members to satisfy water demands in UWMPs and in General Plan/RHNA obligations, (c) preserve adequate groundwater supplies for unincorporated communities and schools and (d) define responsibilities for Projects & Management Actions in their GSP.

In furtherance of these Objectives, the Members will support a Kaweah Sub-Basin and internal Management Area water budget apportionment, as well as Sustainable Management Criteria and associated Projects and Management Actions for its GSP, to provide the most opportune ability to both realize the urban General Plan growth projections of the cities of Visalia and Tulare and ensure the sustainability of agricultural production acreage and supporting communities within the Tulare Irrigation District. Notwithstanding their differing water rights, supplies and apportionment of the Kaweah Sub-Basin water budget as among the East, Greater and Mid-Kaweah GSAs, the Members are committed to shape and distribute this water budget in a fashion to achieve these Objectives.