

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Merced County Clerk
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Merced, California 95340

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Office of Planning and Research
1400 10th Street
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From: East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater
Sustainability Agency
731 East Yosemite Ave, Suite B#318
Merced, CA 95340

Project Title: East Turlock Subbasin GSA Rules and Regulations

Project Location – Specific: Within the boundaries of the East Turlock Subbasin GSA (see attached Exhibit “A” for map).

Project Location – City: N/A

Project Location – County: Merced and Stanislaus

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project is to adopt and implement the rules and regulations governing the East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“East Turlock Subbasin GSA”)’s implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Sustainability Act (“SGMA”) pursuant to the Revised Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (“Revised Turlock GSP”) within the East Turlock Subbasin GSA’s boundaries (the “Rules and Regulations”). The Rules and Regulations specifically govern the East Turlock Subbasin GSA’s groundwater accounting, groundwater allocation, and administration of a proposed Groundwater Use Fee. The purpose of the Rules and Regulations are to sustainably manage groundwater within the East Turlock Subbasin GSA’s boundaries for the benefit of all beneficial users and uses of water.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: East Turlock Subbasin GSA

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: East Turlock Subbasin GSA

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);**
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));**
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));**

Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 7 – Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15307; Class 8 – Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15308; Common Sense Exemption – Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15061, subd. (b)(3);

Statutory Exemption. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The adoption of the Rules and Regulations is an action taken by the East Turlock Subbasin GSA as authorized by SGMA for the protection of natural resources and the environment, which is categorically exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15307 and 15308.

As the Rules and Regulations do not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment by themselves, the common sense exemption applies pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3). Separate and underlying projects and management actions will undergo CEQA analysis as required.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Mike Tietze **Area Code/Telephone/Ext:** (916) 200-9038

If filed by applicant:

1. **Attach certified document of exemption finding.**
2. **Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?** Yes No

Signature: 

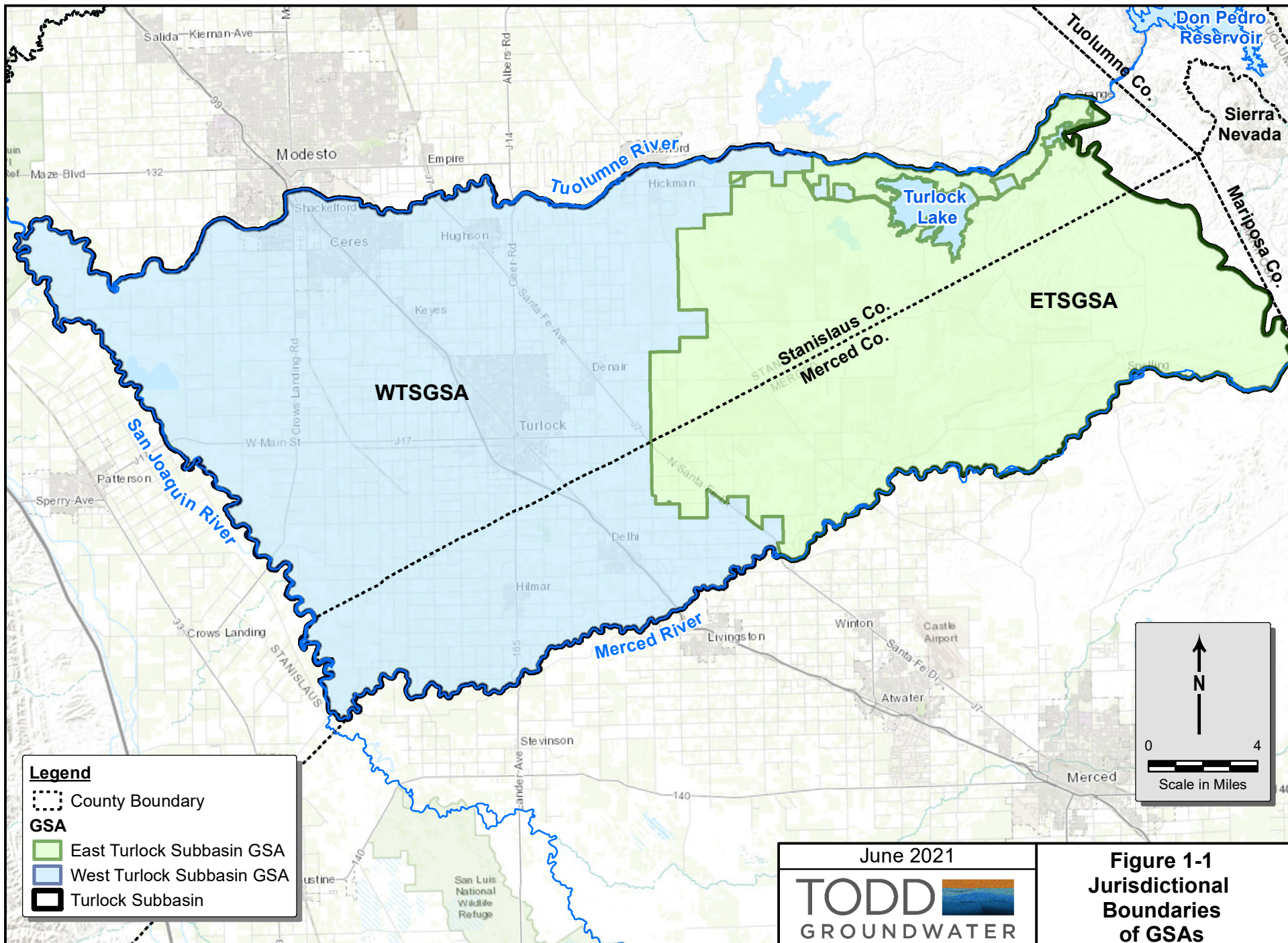
Date: 01/23/2025

Title: General Manager





- Signed by Lead Agency**
 Signed by Applicant

EXHIBIT “A”

Map of East Turlock Subbasin GSA Boundaries



Legend

-  County Boundary
- GSA**
-  East Turlock Subbasin GSA
-  West Turlock Subbasin GSA
-  Turlock Subbasin

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Figure 1-1
Jurisdictional
Boundaries
of GSAs