## County of Santa Barbara



## **Legislation Text**

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HEARING - Consider recommendations regarding San Antonio Groundwater Basin Study, Third, Fourth and Fifth Districts, as follows: (EST. TIME: 30 MIN.)

Acting as the Board of Directors, Water Agency:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Joint Funding Agreement No. 14WSCA600081610 with the United States Geological Survey (USGS) to initiate a comprehensive five-year study (project period being November 1, 2014 through October 31, 2019) of the San Antonio Groundwater Basin in order to assess current and future water availability in the amount of \$778,928.00 for the first phase of the project in which \$673,950.00 to be funded by the County Water Agency, \$104,978.00 to be funded by the USGS; and
- b) Find that the San Antonio Groundwater Study is exempt under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines, Section 15262; Feasibility and Planning Studies and Section 15306 (Class 6) Basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities, and direct the Clerk of the Board to file a CEQA Notice of Exemption.

COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE