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Supervisor Luis Alejo  
Board of Supervisors  
168 W. Alisal Street  
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Supervisor Alejo,

I write today to express my interest in being considered for the Alternate director position for the "Other GSA Eligible Entity" seat of the Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SVBGSA) Board of Directors.

I have been a full-time resident of Monterey County since 1997. I have served on the Monterey County Water Resources Agency (MCWRA) Board of Directors since 2008 and I am well acquainted with groundwater issues in the Salinas Valley. As a director, I have served on every standing committee on that board as well as Vice Chair and Chairman of the board. Prior appointment to that board, I was an employee of the Agency for seven years, where I had a wide range of duties. My final job was as the Program Manager for the Nacimiento and San Antonio (Nacitone) Watershed plan which MCWRA sponsored. That plan brought together every major stakeholder in those watersheds including residents, agriculture, other business, military, tribal, recreational and environmental interests. Prior to working for the agency I was a naval officer before retiring in 1998. I received a BA in History at the University of North Florida in 1980.

I have greatly enjoyed working with my colleagues on the MCWRA board and the greater community. I think my experience and knowledge would benefit the SVBGSA as it moves from planning to the implementation of a series of project to will bring the basin into balance.

I appreciate the opportunity of being considered and if selected I look forward to working with the GSA board and staff as well as with the Supervisor who will replace you on this board.

Sincerely,



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