BEFORE THE DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

In the Matter of the Designation of the)	
Four-County Local Enhanced Management Area)	03-DWR-LEMA-2022
in Wallace, Greeley, Scott, and Lane counties, Kansas)	
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Pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-1041.)	

<u>WITNESS LIST</u> OF WESTERN KANSAS GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1

The following is a list of proposed witnesses and a summary of their proposed testimony, to be given at the initial public hearing regarding the designation of the Four-County Local Enhanced Management Area (LEMA), submitted by Western Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 1 pursuant to the Prehearing Order issued in this matter on September 29, 2022:

Witnesses and Testimony

- 1. Blake Brownie Wilson, GIS Support Services Manager, Kansas Geological Survey, 1930 Constant Avenue, Lawrence, Kansas 66047-3724, Phone: (785) 864-2118, Fax: (785) 864-7728, E-mail: bwilson@kgs.ku.edu. Mr. Wilson will testify regarding the declining water levels within the proposed areas to be designated as Local Area Enhanced Management. He will say that the declines in that area have been significant. Mr. Wilson will describe where the declines have been most pronounced and discuss the measurement taken by the KGS each year and how those support his conclusions. The analysis done within the KGS to enable Mr. Wilson to express his conclusions will be described. Finally, water use and the water level relationships will be discussed, which will support an effort to reduce the rate of withdrawal.
- 2. Katie Durham, Manager, Western Kansas Groundwater Management District #1, 906 West 5th, P.O. Box 604, Scott City, KS 67871, Phone: (620)872-5563, Fax: (620)872-7315; E-mail: gmd1@wbsnet.org. Ms. Durham will offer testimony based on the statutory requirements of Kan. Stat. Ann. § 82a-1041(b). Her testimony will focus on how ground water levels have been, and will continue to be in decline without intervention, that the public interest will be served through this proposed LEMA plan, and that the geographic boundaries presented in the proposal are reasonable. Ms. Durham will describe the efforts of the Ground Water Management District Board to enlist public involvement in the process and development of this plan. Her testimony will conclude with the overall finding that the statutory requirements have been met and the proposed LEMA plan is vital to the sustained life of groundwater within the proposed LEMA boundaries.

3. David Barfield. KWR Consulting, 1481 E. 660 Road, Lawrence, Kansas 66044, Phone: (785) 843-9207, Email: david@kwrconsulting.com. Mr. Barfield has been instrumentally involved in the development of the proposed LEMA plan as a consultant for Western Kansas Groundwater Management District #1. He will be available to answer questions and provide information during the hearing process.

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On this ____ day of October, 2022, I hereby certify that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing Witness List was sent by electronic mail to:

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