

Ojai FLOW - Friends of locally owned water

Petition to Replace Golden State Water Company with Casitas Municipal Water District as the Ojai Area Water Purveyor

I, the undersigned registered voter served by the Golden State Water Company (*Golden State*) in Ojai, California, hereby petition the Board of Directors of the Casitas Municipal Water District (*Casitas*) to initiate proceedings to cause the following:

- A. Form a revenue improvement district encompassing the Ojai service area of *Golden State*.
- B. Hold an election among the registered voters of the proposed revenue improvement district to consider issuing revenue bonds, not to exceed **\$33,000,000**, for the purposes of purchasing the *Golden State* water system and making needed improvements to that water system.
- C. In addition to the standard *Casitas* rates for like customers apply a water surcharge of **\$2.50** per hundred cubic foot of water on all water served in the improvement district for a period not to exceed **30 years** for the purposes of serving the debt and funding needed improvements. (**one hundred cubic foot or CCF = 748 gallons**)
- D. Replace *Golden State* with *Casitas* as the Ojai area water purveyor.

I sign this petition for the above actions based on the following findings:

- I. *Golden State* is within the *Casitas* district boundaries; the residents have historically paid taxes to *Casitas*, and routinely receive supplemental water from *Casitas*.
- II. This action will result in no change in the place (where) **Ojai** Groundwater Basin water will be used or change in place (where) **Lake Casitas** water will be used, and the actions will result in no increase in overall water demand.
- III. This action will not be a burden to the existing rate payers of *Casitas*.
- IV. The average customer now served by Golden State will realize a 10%-15% reduction in annual water costs in the first year and can look forward to stable future water rates with *Casitas* as their water purveyor.

*I certify under penalty of perjury that I am a registered voter
and served by the Golden State Water Company in Ojai.*

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____ Ojai, CA 93023

Signature: _____ Date: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: (805) _____

---- One Signature per Petition ----

Mail Signed Petition to:

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