

April 2019 Newsletter

## **Subbasin Announcements**

April meetings bring May workshops! The Delta-Mendota Subbasin is hosting another round of workshops at the end of May:

May 20th: Patterson City Hall, Patterson; 4-6 PM

May 21st: College Greens Building, Los Banos; 4-6 PM

May 22<sup>nd</sup>: Romero Elementary, Santa Nella; 6:30-8:30 PM

May 23<sup>rd</sup>: Mendota Library, Mendota; 6-8 PM

These meetings are open to the public and will provide an opportunity to learn more about the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and the specific development of the Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs) in the Delta-Mendota Subbasin. These workshops will provide attendees the opportunity to meet with their GSP Group representative and learn about the development of projected water budgets, sustainable management criteria, and context for the future of SGMA within in the area.

The groundwater sustainability agencies (GSAs) participating in the Delta-Mendota Subbasin collaborated to refine water budget results on the Subbasin level. Each GSP group provided water budgets for their specific region, and the Coordination Committee and Technical Working Group finalized results for the Subbasin as a whole.

The Technical Working Group and Coordination Committee members are also working toward the development of a Subbasin-wide monitoring network. Each GSP group is determining potential well locations and monitoring strategies that will form into a Subbasin-wide system.

## **Our Timeline**



We are here

## **Upcoming Meetings**

Technical Working Group
Tuesday, April 16
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
842 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Los Banos, CA

Communications Working Group
Tuesday, April 23
1:00 – 3:00 PM
842 6<sup>th</sup> St, Los Banos, CA

Coordination Committee
Monday, May 13
9:30 AM – 12:00 PM
842 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Los Banos, CA



## Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Group Updates



In March, the Northern & Central Region GSP Group:

- Developed the Water Level, Water Quality, and Surface Water-Groundwater Interaction Monitoring Networks
- Continued to develop the Water Budget section of the Basin Setting for the GSP
- Continued to develop the Groundwater Conditions section of the Basin Setting for the GSP
- Posted the Public Drafts for the following sections to the Northern & Central GSP website:
  - o Governance and Administration
  - o Plan Area
  - o Hydrogeologic Conceptual Model

In April, the Northern & Central Region GSP Group will be:

- Finalizing and adopting the Projected Water Budgets, with Climate Change Factors and Projects and Management actions incorporated
- Finalizing the Monitoring Networks
- Posting the Public Drafts for the Groundwater Conditions section to the Northern & Central GSP website
- Refining our Sustainable Management Criteria



In March, the Farmers Water District GSP Group:

- Established draft sustainability management criteria for groundwater levels and reduction in storage
- Work on Sustainable Management Criteria and Monitoring Network GSP sections
- Revised projected groundwater budget
- Review and provided feedback on GSP structure

The Farmers Water District GSP Group's current and upcoming activities include:

- Sustainable yield estimates
- Develop subsidence sustainability management criteria
- Continued work on Sustainable Management Criteria and Monitoring Network GSP sections



In March, the Grassland GSP group:

- Defined significant and unreasonable effects, minimum thresholds, and measurable objectives for the six sustainability indicators.
- Refined the representative monitoring network.
- Completed the preliminary draft of Chapter 6.



In March, the SJREC GSP Group:

- Working with DAC's on sustainability
- Developed Draft Projected Water Budget
- Updated growers at the district's annual meeting
   In April, the SJREC GSP Group plans to:
- Coordinate with the Delta-Mendota Subbasin, ensuring the GSPs are utilizing the same data and methodologies
- Prepare for Public Workshops in May



In March, the Aliso GSP Group completed:

- Finalized projected water budgets.
- Completed draft thresholds for water quality, depletion of surface water.

The Aliso GSP Group is in the process of:

- Identifying locations for monitoring network.
- Developing draft thresholds for water levels and storage.
- Identifying potential projects and management actions.



In March, the Fresno GSP Group:

- Established draft sustainability management criteria for groundwater levels and reduction in storage
- Work on Sustainable Management Criteria and Monitoring Network GSP sections
- Revised projected groundwater budget
- Review and provided feedback on GSP structure
   The Fresno GSP Group's current and upcoming
   activities include:
- Sustainable yield estimates
- Develop subsidence sustainability management criteria
- Continued work on Sustainable Management Criteria and Monitoring Network GSP sections





Questions? Contact your local groundwater sustainability agency or send an email to <a href="mailto:dmsgma@sldmwa.org">dmsgma@sldmwa.org</a>

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