

Subbasin Announcements

The six Delta-Mendota Subbasin groundwater sustainability plans (GSPs) were submitted to the Department of Water Resources (DWR) on January 23, 2020. DWR has now posted these GSPs on their SGMA Portal and has opened a public comment period for these and other submitted GSPs. The public comment period for the Delta-Mendota Subbasin's GSPs will conclude on April 15th.

The GSP groups are continuing to focus on the development of the first Annual Report, due by April 1, 2020. This past month the GSP group representatives decided to develop a single Consolidated Annual Report for the Delta-Mendota Subbasin. This Consolidated Annual Report will include graphics and maps for the Subbasin documenting current water levels along with data on groundwater extractions, surface water deliveries, water use and change in groundwater in storage for the prior Water Year. (A Water Year is a period beginning October 1st and concluding on September 30th of the following year.)



Representatives from each GSA in the Subbasin have provided data for inclusion in the Delta-Mendota Subbasin data management system (DMS), which will provide a foundation for the Consolidated Annual Report as well as act as a repository for all future data collected as part of GSP implementation. The data in the DMS details water use by service sector, groundwater extraction and water quality, among other metrics.

The San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority submitted an application on behalf of the Delta-Mendota Subbasin GSAs for DWR Facilitation Support Services in December 2019. Earlier this month, DWR approved the Subbasin's application. The authorized facilitation services will provide the Subbasin with assistance for ongoing interbasin coordination efforts. The Delta-Mendota Subbasin adjoins nine subbasins. Six of the nine adjacent subbasins are also classified as critically overdrafted. Representatives in the Delta-Mendota Subbasin will continue to pursue opportunities for interbasin coordination as these subbasins begin GSP implementation efforts.

Upcoming Meetings and Important Dates

Joint Meeting of the Coordination
Committee and Technical Working Group
Tuesday, March 17th
9:30 AM– 12:00 PM
842 6th Street, Los Banos, CA

Final Date for Delta-Mendota Subbasin
GSPs Public Comment Period
Wednesday, April 15

Deadline for Submission of
Annual Report
Wednesday, April 1

Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Group Updates



NORTHERN &
CENTRAL
DELTA-
MENDOTA

The Northern & Central GSP Group's recent and upcoming activities include:

- Finalize and adopt GSP
- Submit (upload) GSP to DWR
- Collect data for the Annual Report and use in the online Data Management System
- Continue preparation for the Annual Report

The SJREC GSP Group's recent and upcoming activities include:

- SGMA Annual report draft under professional review and is in final stages of implementation
- Completed submission of data to online Data Management System for internal and public use for SGMA's yearly outgoing report
- Coordinating the completion of a unified annual report format for neighboring GSPs showcasing SGMA data researched as a group, including adequate tables and images satisfying DWR requirements

Grassland GSP Group's recent and upcoming activities include:

- Continued hydrograph and contour development
- Evaluated Water Use by Service Sector
- Engaged in data management
- Developed lower aquifer change in storage
- Participated in Subbasin-wide coordinated efforts

FARMERS
WATER DISTRICT

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

- Completed upload of adopted GSP to DWR before the January 31, 2020 deadline.
- Developing information for Annual Report preparation for FWD and the Subbasin in coordination with Delta Mendota Subbasin GSAs
- Collection of 2019 GSP monitoring program data for DMS input and Annual Report development.
- Responding to miscellaneous GSP reference requests from DWR that were a result of faulty DWR portal uploading issues.

Aliso GSP Group's recent and upcoming activities include:

- GSP submittal
- Ongoing DMS development
- Ongoing Annual Report development



Fresno County GSP Group's recent and upcoming activities include:

- Completed upload of adopted GSP to DWR before the January 31, 2020 deadline.
- Developing information for Annual Report preparation for Fresno County and the Subbasin in coordination with Delta Mendota Subbasin GSAs
- Collection of 2019 GSP monitoring program data for DMS input and Annual Report development.
- Responding to miscellaneous GSP reference requests from DWR that were a result of faulty DWR portal uploading issues.



Questions? Contact your local groundwater sustainability agency or send an email to dmsgma@sldmwa.org

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