

**Workplan to Update the
Groundwater Quality Protection Strategy
A “Roadmap” for the
Central Valley Region
October 2013**

With the adoption of Resolution R5-2008-018, the Central Valley Water Board directed the development of a Groundwater Quality Protection Strategy for the Central Valley Region through an active stakeholder process.

The Groundwater Quality Protection Strategy for the Central Valley Region, a Roadmap (Roadmap) was developed through active stakeholder outreach and approved by the Central Valley Water Board (September 2010 Resolution R5-2010-0095 http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/groundwater_quality/2010aug_gwq_protect_strat_approved.pdf.) The Roadmap is intended to provide a long range planning document that defines the regulatory programs to be enhanced, and identify ways to expand on partnering opportunities to protect groundwater quality.

Following approval of the Roadmap, development of a workplan began which identified each high priority action, the goal, and objective(s) from the Roadmap. It provided task descriptions and a task summary table to identify work to be completed for each high priority action for the period of June 2011 through June 2013. The workplan was approved at the Board’s regular June 2011 meeting. Work has been on-going since that initial workplan and several actions have been completed. A new workplan has been proposed for the medium priority actions for the period of June 2013 through June 2015.

When the Roadmap was adopted it was recognized that it was an evolving document and as actions are completed or new information is gathered, updates will be made. With the following workplan staff is proposing to update the Roadmap to reflect issues that have been addressed since the first version of the Roadmap was approved and identify new or emerging issues.

2013/2014 Update to the Groundwater Quality Protection Strategy A “Roadmap” for the Central Valley Region

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Goal: Develop a written update to the 2010 Groundwater Quality Protection Strategy A “Roadmap” for the Central Valley Region

Objective:

- Identify actions that have been completed from 2010 Roadmap
- Identify existing actions/issues that will continue to be addressed

- Identify new/emerging groundwater quality issues
- Ensure stakeholder participation in update process
- Reformat document for ease of review and future updates

Time Schedule: Update to the Roadmap will begin March 2014 with a final draft presented to the Central Valley Water Board April 2015

Resource needs: To develop the 2010 Groundwater Quality Protection Strategy from initial concept through stakeholder workshops and final Board approval took over 2,500 hours. An update is not expected to be as labor intensive, however, to ensure stakeholder participation will require redirection of staff resources to those tasks. Resources will be primarily for staff to solicit public input through stakeholder meeting or workshops and drafting the document. Some resources will also include time spent by Program Managers providing input and review. An estimate of 1,000 hours will be needed for staff and Program Managers to complete the update. Executive Management will identify staff and funding to be redirected for this work.

Workplan Task(s) Narrative Description:

Task 1 Identify existing, new, emerging groundwater quality issues

- 1.1 Brainstorming sessions to identify existing, new, and emerging issues with the Central Valley Water Board Leadership Team
- 1.2 Coordination with State Water Board's Office of Research Planning & Performance team working on State Water Board Groundwater Protection Strategy

Deliverable: List of Issues for public information document **Date:** May 2014

Task 2 Stakeholder Information Workshops

- 2.1 Draft Public Information Document
- 2.2 Public Information Solicitation Workshops
 - 2.2.1 Secure public workshop locations
 - 2.2.2 Distribute Public Workshop Notification
 - 2.2.3 Develop Public Workshop format and presentation
 - 2.2.4 Hold Public Workshops in each basin

Deliverable: 2.1 Public Information Document	Date: June 2014
2.2.2 Public Workshop Notification	June 2014
2.2.4 Three Public Workshops	Sept 2014

