

Come to a Public Workshop in June to Share Your Input on Groundwater in the Kaweah Basin

Two workshop opportunities to get more information and provide comments.



Drinking Water



Agriculture



Habitat



Homes



Infrastructure

People are pumping water in the Kaweah basin faster than rain and other water sources can refill the basin, jeopardizing water sources people use for drinking and irrigation. The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) requires local agencies to develop and implement groundwater sustainability plans that protect and manage groundwater resources for all uses and users.

The groundwater plan for the Kaweah basin is inadequate and is not doing enough to protect local groundwater resources. SGMA now allows the State Water Resources Control Board (Board) to determine if the Kaweah basin should be designated as “probationary.” In a probationary basin, some groundwater pumpers must collect and report pumping data and pay fees to the Board, and local agencies must improve their plan. This encourages efforts to improve groundwater management and sustainability.

The Board plans to hold a public hearing to consider designating the basin as probationary on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.

Workshop details

The public is invited to attend one or both public workshops in June. Both workshops will have the same content and are an opportunity to learn about local groundwater issues and give input on groundwater management in the Kaweah basin. The workshops are informational only; the Board will not take regulatory action. Live Spanish interpretation will be available for both the virtual and in-person workshops.

VIRTUAL: Monday, June 24, 2024, 11:00 a.m.–1:30 p.m.
Zoom link: bit.ly/SGMA-Kaweah-zoom
Call in Number: 669-444-9171 | Meeting ID: 942 2192 2558

IN PERSON: Thursday, June 27, 2024, 5:30–8:30 p.m.
Sequoia High School
1040 N. Woodland Avenue
Visalia, CA 93291

Submit written comments

The deadline to submit comments on the Kaweah basin probationary hearing Draft Staff Report is Monday, July 8, 2024, at noon. You can submit written comments via email, fax, mail or hand delivery using instructions in the notice: bit.ly/sgma-kaweah.



More information

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