Agendas for Stakeholder Meetings to Provide Information on Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Implementation

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Wednesday, October 21, 2015 - Los Angeles Area
Technical Session 1pm - 4pm
Public Forum 6pm - 8pm
Los Angeles Valley College
Campus Center Building, Monarch Hall
5800 Fulton Avenue
Valley Glen, CA 91401

Thursday, October 22, 2015 - Visalia
Technical Session 1pm - 4pm
Public Forum 6pm - 8pm
210 Life
Assembly Room
210 W. Center Avenue
Visalia, CA 93291
Spanish translator will be present

Tuesday, October 27, 2015 - Sacramento and Webcast
Technical Session 1pm - 4pm
Public Forum 6pm - 8pm
Joe Serna, Jr. - CalEPA Headquarters Building
Coastal Hearing Room
1001 I Street, Second Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814
Webcast of meeting will be available at: http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/

Thursday, November 5, 2015 - Redding
Combined Technical Session and Public Forum 1pm - 4pm
Redding City Hall
City Council Chambers
777 Cypress Avenue
Redding, CA 96001
Welcome!
The California State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) and the Department of Water Resources (DWR) are hosting this meeting to share information about the implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). The technical session is intended for representatives from entities that are eligible to form Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) and other organized groups, staff of governing boards, and leaders of local public agencies and organizations.

Meeting Agenda

1:00 – 1:10  Welcome and Meeting Overview
Erik Ekdahl, State Water Board
Rich Juricich, Department of Water Resources
Facilitator

1:10 – 1:55  SGMA Overview, Implementation Requirements, and the State’s Role
Erik Ekdahl, State Water Board
Rich Juricich, Department of Water Resources

1:55 – 2:30  Q&A: Clarifying Questions on SGMA
All / Facilitator

2:30 – 2:45  Break

2:45 – 3:15  State Financial and Technical Assistance
Katheryn Landau, State Water Board

3:15 – 3:40  Q&A: State Financial & Technical Assistance
All / Facilitator

3:40 – 4:00  Discussion: SGMA Implementation in Local Basins
All / Facilitator
  • What is the status of GSA formation in your basin?
  • What’s working in implementing SGMA in your basin? What insights would you share with others?
  • What’s difficult or challenging about implementing SGMA in your basin?
  • How can the State help local agencies in implementing SGMA?

4:00  Closing Statements--Thank You for Attending
Sustainable Groundwater Management Act
Public Forum for Groundwater Users and Interested Parties

Welcome!
The California State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) and the Department of Water Resources (DWR) are hosting this public forum to share information about the implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA).

SGMA empowers local agencies with the necessary tools and resources to ensure long-term sustainable groundwater management. SGMA requires local public agencies, or a combination of local agencies, overlying State-designated medium- and high-priority groundwater basins to form a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) by June 30, 2017. Local agencies with water supply, management, or land use authority are eligible to form GSAs. SGMA requires the GSAs to develop Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs) by 2020 for groundwater basins in critical overdraft, or by 2022 for other medium- and high-priority groundwater basins. When local agencies cannot manage their groundwater sustainably, the State will intervene until local agencies develop and implement sustainable groundwater management practices.

Meeting Agenda

6:00 – 6:15 Welcome and Meeting Overview
   Erik Ekdahl, State Water Board
   Rich Juricich, Department of Water Resources
   Facilitator

6:15 – 6:30 SGMA Overview, Implementation Requirements, and the State’s Role
   Erik Ekdahl, State Board

6:30 – 7:00 Question & Answer: Clarifying Questions on SGMA
   All / Facilitator

7:00 – 7:20 Groundwater Management and Drought
   Katheryn Landau, State Water Board

7:20 – 7:40 Question & Answer: Groundwater Management and Drought
   All / Facilitator

7:40 – 8:00 Discussion: SGMA Implementation in Local Basins
   All / Facilitator
   • How can the State help in implementing SGMA?
   • What you can expect from DWR and the State Water Board?

8:00 Closing Statements -- Thank You for Attending