



## **State Water Resources Control Board**

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## Resources for Groundwater Sustainability Agencies to Consider When Complying with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

Dear Groundwater Sustainability Agencies:

Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) have significant tasks. The State Water Resource Control Board (State Water Board or Board) wants GSAs to be successful in their implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). The Board recognizes that GSAs are working diligently to meet the upcoming deadlines of SGMA.

With the first planning deadline less than a year away, the enclosed fact sheets may be helpful to your GSA during the current stage of SGMA implementation. Topics include, the State Water Board's roles in SGMA, possible funding sources for GSAs, underground storage of water, a general overview of roles of the State Water Board and Regional Water Boards related to groundwater, and GSA outreach.

Drinking water is a critical consideration in SGMA and the human right to water is a priority for the state. Public water suppliers may be an important resource for data and local knowledge about groundwater conditions, trends, and needs. Please contact local public water suppliers if you haven't already. Public water supplier information, including addresses, can be found on the <u>Division of Drinking Water's Safe Drinking</u> <u>Water Information System web page (https://sdwis.waterboards.ca.gov/PDWW/)</u>. If needed, State Water Board staff can also provide this contact information.

This document and the enclosures offer information and resources. These resources are available on the State Water Board website.

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Staff are also happy to attend, participate, or present at advisory committee, GSA, or public outreach meetings. If you have any questions, please contact the Groundwater Management Program at <u>SGMA@waterboards.ca.gov</u> or 916-322-6508 or visit the <u>program website (www.waterboards.ca.gov/gmp)</u>.

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