



Briefing on DWR's 2016 Draft Basin Boundary Modifications
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Background

The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) required the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to develop emergency regulations describing the process for requesting changes to groundwater basin or subbasin boundaries. The Basin Boundary Emergency Regulations were approved by the Commission on October 21, 2015 and went into effect on November 16, 2015. DWR accepted basin boundary modification requests from January 1, 2016 through March 31, 2016. DWR reviewed those submissions, released a list of Draft Approved Basin Boundary Modifications, and held a series of public meetings to receive public comments on the proposed boundary modifications. SGMA gives the Commission the opportunity to hear and comment on the proposed modifications.

At this meeting, DWR staff will discuss the basin boundary modification process, present the Draft Approved Basin Boundary Modifications and related public comments, and provide an opportunity for the Commission and public to comment. DWR may finalize the revised basin boundaries 60 days after they have been presented to the Commission or 30 days after the Commission has met to hear and comment on the draft revisions, whichever comes earlier. The finalized revisions will also be incorporated in an interim update of Bulletin 118. This is an informational item.

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