



Update on DWR's Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Best Management Practices

Background

The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) requires the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to develop Best Management Practices (BMPs) for the sustainable management of groundwater basins by January 1, 2017. DWR must develop the BMPs through a public process that includes three public meetings throughout the state and one California Water Commission meeting.

The BMPs are intended to provide clarification and guidance to Groundwater Sustainability Agencies as they develop Groundwater Sustainability Plans. DWR has released five draft BMPs addressing monitoring protocols, standards, and sites, monitoring networks and identification of data gaps, hydrogeologic conceptual model, water budget, and modeling.

At this meeting, DWR staff will update the Commission on progress toward developing and finalizing the SGMA BMPs. This is an informational item.

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