January 2019 Newsletter

Subbasin Announcements

The Delta-Mendota Subbasin is currently finalizing historic and current water budgets within the Subbasin as a whole and coordinating results between each GSP group. The Coordination Committee developed strategies to support Subbasin-wide confirmation of historical, current, and projected water budgets, as well as new approaches to streamline Subbasin-wide technical progress. Subbasin-wide results have been compiled to include in Technical Memoranda for the final GSP submission.

A series of Technical Working Group meetings were held in December to provide opportunities for GSP group representatives and technical consultants to talk through their water budget processes and determine next steps. Each of the six GSP groups discussed their individual water budgets as well as the alignment of boundary conditions between each GSP group.

The San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority coordinated with a senior facilitator from Stantec. Lisa Beutler, for the final technical meeting held in December to assist in the water budget status discussions. Upcoming technical tasks and Subbasinwide goals will involve the development of a finalized projected water budget and additional Technical Memoranda development.

The Communications Working Group began preparing for the Delta-Mendota Subbasin's third series of public workshops, which will be held in February. These workshops will focus on water budget results, an introduction to sustainability indicators, measurable objectives, minimum thresholds, and other parameters central to the GSP formation process. Event timing and dates will be shared once details are finalized.



Our Timeline

Upcoming Meetings

Coordination Committee Monday, January 14 10:00 - 11:30 AM San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water

Technical Working Group Tuesday, January 15 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water 842 6th St, Los Banos, CA

Communications Working Group Tuesday, January 22 1:00 - 3:00 PM San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water 842 6th St, Los Banos, CA

Groundwater Sustainability Plan Group Updates



In December, the Northern & Central Region GSP Group:

- Completed historic and current water budgets
- Identified preliminary sustainability indicators for subsidence, water quality and interconnected surface water
- Initiated development of a data management system

In January, the Northern & Central Region GSP Group will be:

- Preparing preliminary baseline projected water budgets
- Refining our sustainability indicators
- Identifying projects and management actions for inclusion in the GSP

San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors **GSP** Group

In December, the SJREC GSP Group:

- Developed draft Historic and Current Water Budgets for each GSA in the SJREC GSP Group
- In January, the SJREC GSP Group will:
- Hold meetings between the SJREC GSA and each partner GSA to discuss projected demand on groundwater and projects to achieve sustainability
 - Develop a draft for Sustainable Management Criteria (SMC)

The following activities were conducted by the Fresno County GSP Group in December:

- Completion of historic water budget
- Continued work on Current/Historic Groundwater Conditions section
- Ongoing internal review of HCM first draft Current and upcoming activities for the Fresno GSP Group:
- Continued work on Current/Historic Groundwater Conditions and internal review of first draft
- Completion of HCM first draft
- Development of confirmation period (2014-2017) in water budget
- Development of projected water budget period (2018-2070) and draft management actions and projects
- Discussion with Fresno County on alternatives for new monitoring well facility in Management Area B to help fill data gap in monitoring aquifer conditions
- Development of data management system with a structure consistent with basin-wide DMS being developed by the North Central GSP group (waiting for basin-wide survey)

Questions? Contact your local groundwater sustainability agency or send an email to dmsgma@sldmwa.org

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FARMERS WATER

The following activities were conducted by Farmers WD GSP Group in December:

- Completion of historic water budget
- Development of geologic cross sections

 Ongoing internal review of HCM first draft Current and upcoming activities for the Farmers WD GSP Group:

- Historic/Current Groundwater Conditions section
- Completion of HCM first draft ٠
- Development of confirmation period (2014-2017) in water budget
- Development of projected water budget period (2018-2070) and draft management actions and projects
- Development of data management system with a structure consistent with basin-wide DMS being developed by the North Central

In December, the Grassland GSP Group:

- Working closely with hydrogeological and engineering experts to finalize an accurate historic and current water budget for the Grassland GSA and surrounding management area.
- Identifying future projects to be incorporated into projected water budgets
- Finalizing map of groundwater ecosystems for the Grassland GSA

In December, the Aliso Water District GSP Group:

- Organizing and digitizing data for inclusion in future DMS
- Review water budget for coordination with Neighboring GSA
- Evaluating Sustainable management criteria
- Drafting chapters of GSP



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