



**Delta-Mendota Subbasin
Communications Workgroup Meeting**

Tuesday, April 23, 1:00 – 3:00 PM

Conference Call: (916) 330-5000

Conference ID: 486590018

AGENDA

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Committee to Consider Corrections or Additions to the Agenda of Items, as authorized by Government Code Section 54950 et seq.
3. Opportunity for Public Comment
4. GSA Outreach Updates

Action Items

5. Workgroup to Consider Approval of January 22, 2019 and February 26, 2019 Communications Workgroup Regular Meeting Minutes

Report Items

6. Workgroup to Discuss Communications Calendar, Pringle
7. Workgroup to Discuss Draft Presentation Slides for Spring 2019 Coordinated SGMA Workshops, Pringle
8. Workgroup to Discuss Outreach Activities for Spring 2019 Coordinated SGMA Workshops, Pringle/Castillo
9. Next Steps and Action Items
10. ADJOURNMENT



**Delta-Mendota Subbasin
Communications Workgroup Meeting**

Tuesday, February 26, 1:00 – 3:00 PM

Participants:

Jarrett Martin – Central California Irrigation District
Kyle Hill – Central California Irrigation District
Marian Encinas – City of Patterson
Christina Guzman – Fresno County
Joe Hopkins – Provost & Pritchard, representing Aliso Water District
Andrew Garcia – San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority
Claire Howard – San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority
Kirsten Pringle – Stantec
Leslie Dumas – Woodard & Curran

AGENDA

1. Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm.

2. Committee to Consider Corrections or Additions to the Agenda of Items, as authorized by Government Code Section 54950 et seq.

There were no corrections or additions to the agenda.

3. Opportunity for Public Comment

There were no public comments.

4. Updates on GSA Outreach

Maria Encinas, City of Patterson, noted that the monthly Delta-Mendota newsletters are being distributed in the City's utility bills. Jarrett Martin, Central California Irrigation District, noted that Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) information is being shared through regular grower and shareholder meetings. Jarrett is also meeting with representatives in cities in the San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors' Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) group region. Joe Hopkins, representing Aliso Water District, noted that SGMA and GSP updates are provided at Aliso Water District Board of Directors meetings.

Action Items

5. Workgroup to Consider Approval of January 22, 2019 Communications Workgroup Regular Meeting Minutes

Approval of the meeting minutes was moved to the Communications Workgroup meeting agenda.

6. Workgroup to Consider Setting Tentative Dates for Spring 2019 Coordinated SGMA Workshops

The Workgroup decided to wait until after the next Delta-Mendota Coordination Committee meeting to set dates for the spring coordinated SGMA workshops due to the uncertainty of when technical milestones would be completed.

Report Items

7. Workgroup to Discuss GSP Development and Adoption Communications Schedule

The Workgroup discussed each GSP group's schedule and planned activities for review and adoption of their GSP. Jarrett Martin stated that the San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors GSP Group will be releasing their entire GSP at once. Andrew Garcia, San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority, stated that the North and Central Delta-Mendota GSP Group is posting GSP chapters on the Delta-Mendota website as they are completed for public review. The Workgroup decided to post common GSP chapters on the Delta-Mendota website for review after the chapters have undergone an internal review. The Workgroup also discussed potential tools and activities to educate city officials and staff about the GSPs' content and development process. Andrew Garcia requested that a template staff report be developed to support GSP adoption hearings.

8. Discussion on Winter 2019 Coordinated SGMA Workshop

The Workgroup discussed the participation, successes, and lessons learned from the winter coordinated SGMA workshops. Workgroup members suggested sending out the flyers in further advance of the workshop dates and conducting additional outreach to increase workshop participation.

9. Workgroup to Discuss Facilitation Plan for Spring 2019 Coordinated SGMA Workshops

The Workgroup discussed the format, content, and objectives for the spring coordinated SGMA workshops. Potential workshop topics include projected water budgets, sustainability criteria, and projects and managements actions. The workshop content will be refined based on what technical milestones can be feasibly completed before the workshop dates. The Workgroup decided to keep the workshops subbasin-wide, rather than holding a workshop for each GSP group.

9. Workgroup to Discuss Draft Sustainability Criteria Survey

Kirsten Pringle, Stantec, noted that a template sustainability criteria survey was developed based on similar surveys created by the other GSP groups. The survey can be used to gather information from constituents and customers to support develop of the sustainability criteria.

Joe Hopkins noted that Aliso Water District doesn't need the survey, but it might be good to have at the spring coordinated SGMA workshop.

10. Next Steps and Action Items

After the next Coordination Committee meeting, Andrew Garcia and Leslie Dumas, Woodard & Curran, will follow-up with Kirsten Pringle regarding potential dates for the spring coordinated SGMA workshops.



**Delta-Mendota Subbasin
Communications Workgroup Meeting**

Tuesday, March 26, 1:00 – 3:00 PM

Participants:

Christina Guzman – Fresno County
John Bean – Representing Grasslands Water District
Joe Hopkins – Provost & Pritchard, representing Aliso Water District
Andrew Garcia – San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority
Claire Howard – San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority
Amy Montgomery – Santa Nella County Water District
Laura Castillo – Stantec
Kirsten Pringle – Stantec
Leslie Dumas – Woodard & Curran

AGENDA

1. Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm.

2. Committee to Consider Corrections or Additions to the Agenda of Items, as authorized by Government Code Section 54950 et seq.

There were no corrections or additions to the agenda.

3. Opportunity for Public Comment

There were no public comments.

4. Updates on GSA Outreach

There were no new updates on groundwater sustainability agency (GSA) outreach and engagement activities.

Report Items

5. Workgroup to Discuss Outreach Activities for Spring 2019 Coordinated SGMA Workshops

The Workgroup discussed the content, format, logistics, and promotion activities for the spring coordinated SGMA workshops, tentatively scheduled for May 20 – 23. The Workgroup agreed the workshop will cover the following topics: projected water budget, sustainable yield and

sustainability criteria, monitoring network, and projects and management actions. A subset of the Communications Workgroup will meet to begin developing the workshop slides. Kirsten Pringle, Stantec, will schedule a meeting on workshop content development.

The Workgroup discussed the schedule and activities to promote the workshops. The Workgroup decided to send out two flyers prior to the workshop dates. Amy Montgomery, Santa Nella County Water District, requested a set of flyers by the beginning of following week to distribute with the District's bill inserts. Christina Guzman noted that the County of Fresno sends out bills at the beginning of the month. Kirsten Pringle will develop bilingual workshop flyers. In addition to the flyers, the workshops will be promoted through outreach to local businesses, coordination with organizations that represent disadvantaged communities, notices at regularly scheduled meetings, and targeted outreach to local elected officials. Kirsten Pringle and Laura Castillo, Stantec, will develop a list of contact information for local elected officials and draft a letter inviting officials to the workshops. Amy Montgomery will distribute the workshop flyer to the Santa Nella Chamber of Commerce.

6. Next Steps and Action Items

Kirsten Pringle will schedule a meeting to develop the content for the workshop slides and materials. Kirsten Pringle will develop bilingual workshops flyers to the workshops and send them to the GSA representatives for distribution. Kirsten Pringle and Laura Castillo will develop a list of contact information for local elected officials and draft a letter inviting officials to the workshops. Amy Montgomery will distribute the workshop flyer to the Santa Nella Chamber of Commerce.

April



May



**April
1 - 8**

Finalize
booking
workshop
facilities.

**May
1 - 10**

Confirm and coordinate with GSA
representatives and technical
staff.

**April
16 - 19**

Frist round of flyer distribution. Begin engaging Farm Bureaus and key stakeholders.

**April 23 –
May 1**

Send out invites to local elected officials and staff.

**May
13 - 17**

Social media and website posts. Press releases in local media.

April
1 - 15

Develop first draft of workshop slides and workshop materials.

**April
16 - 19**

Comms WG review of draft slides

April 23

Comms WG
reviews slides
and draft
materials @
meeting.

**April
24 –30**

Refine slides and materials.

May
1 – 3

Comms WG final
review of slides
and materials

May
6 - 7

Revise slides
and
materials.

**May
8 - 16**

Send everything to Spanish translator.

May 17

Print
workshop
materials.

Key:  = Communications Working Group Activity  = Workshop Planning Sub-group Activity  = Consultant Activity

Topics:

- Projected Water Budget (basin-wide)
- Sustainable yield (basin-wide)
- Monitoring Network
- Projects and Management Actions

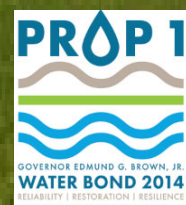
Key Messages:

- The basin is working well together. All the GSAs are working together towards sustainability.
- This is an iterative process. We will be reviewing the GSP every five years starting in 2025. Between 2020 and 2025, the region will focus on gathering more data to refine the water budgets and sustainability criteria.
- Knowing the sustainable yield for the subbasin is important for long-term water planning. It is also our key goal under SGMA.

Delta-Mendota Subbasin Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Workshop

May 2019

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MENDOTA
SGMA



Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Introductions
3. Presentation
4. Breakout Sessions



Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014

"A central feature of these bills is the recognition that **groundwater management in California is best accomplished locally.**"

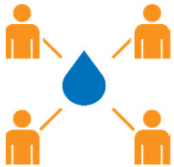
Governor Jerry Brown, 2014



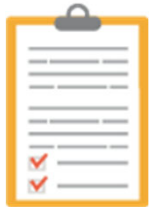
Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Terms



SGMA = Sustainable Groundwater Management Act



GSA = Groundwater Sustainability Agency



GSP = Groundwater Sustainability Plan



aquifer = an underground layer of water-bearing materials, such as gravel or sand, from which water can be pumped

Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Timeline

June 30, 2017

Groundwater Sustainability Agencies must be formed.

January 31, 2020

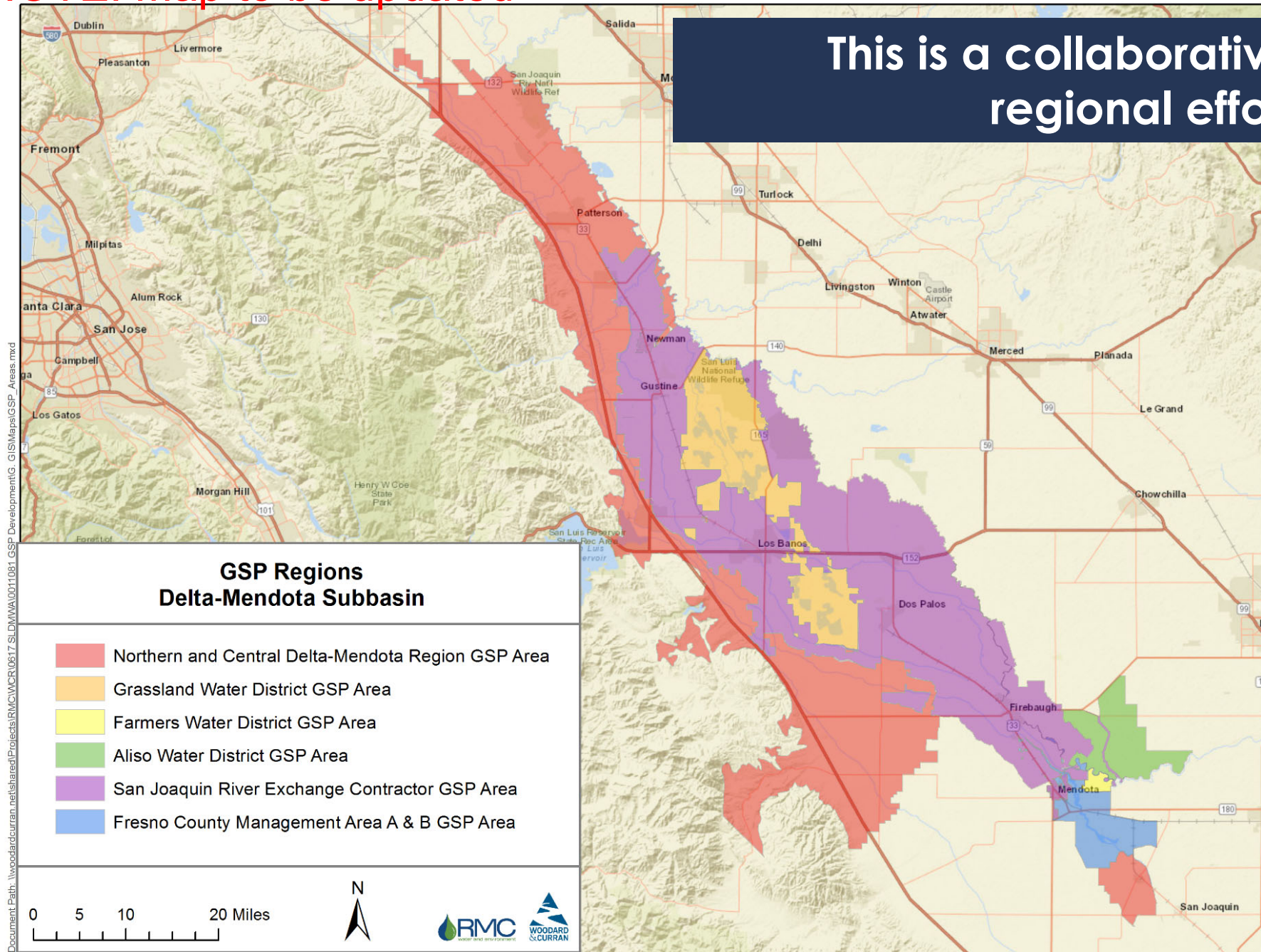
Groundwater Sustainability Plans must be submitted to the State.

January 31, 2040

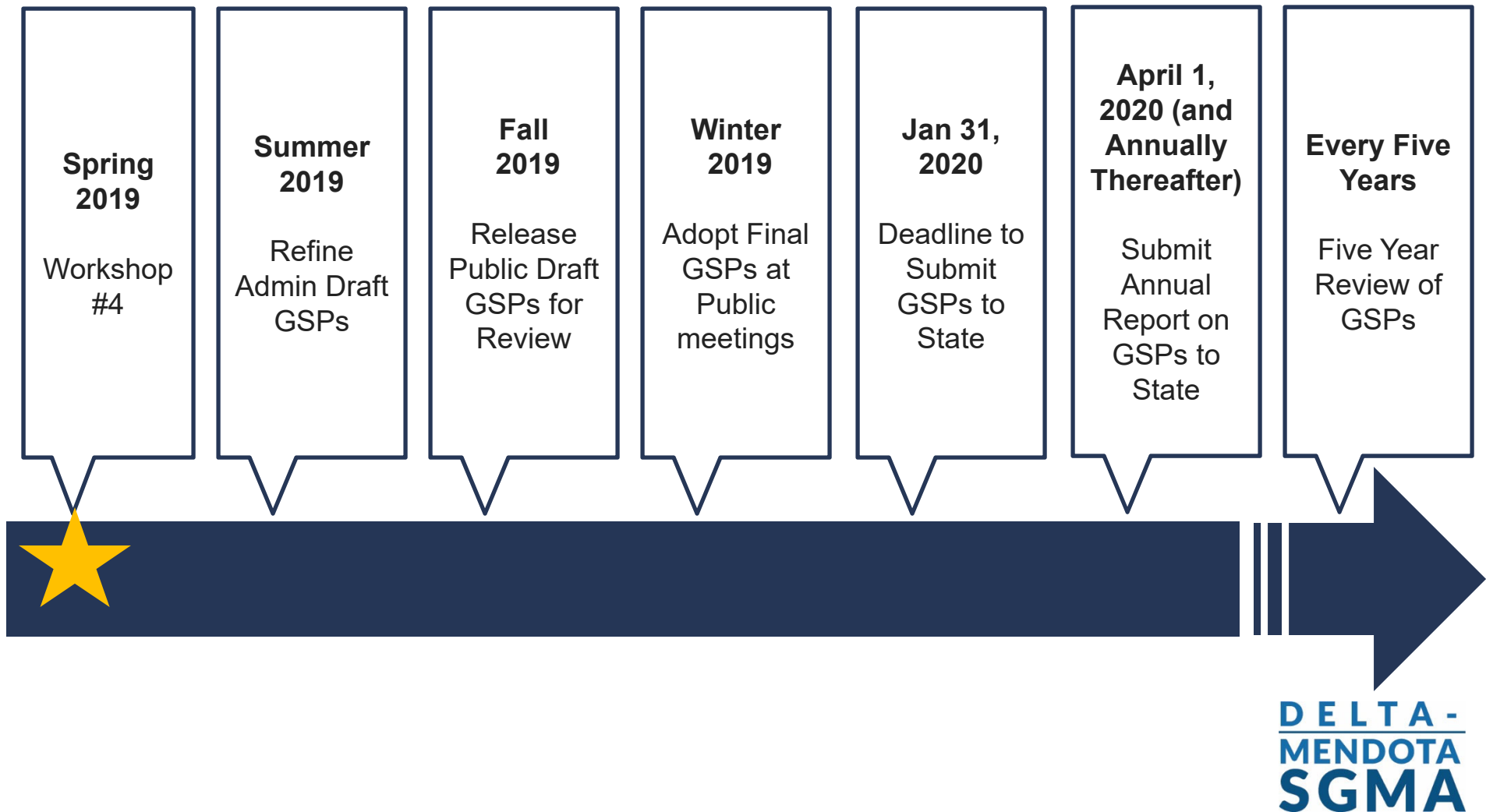
Delta-Mendota Subbasin must achieve sustainability.

NOTE: Map to be updated

**This is a collaborative,
regional effort.**



Our Timeline – Pathway to Sustainability



Public Review and Participation

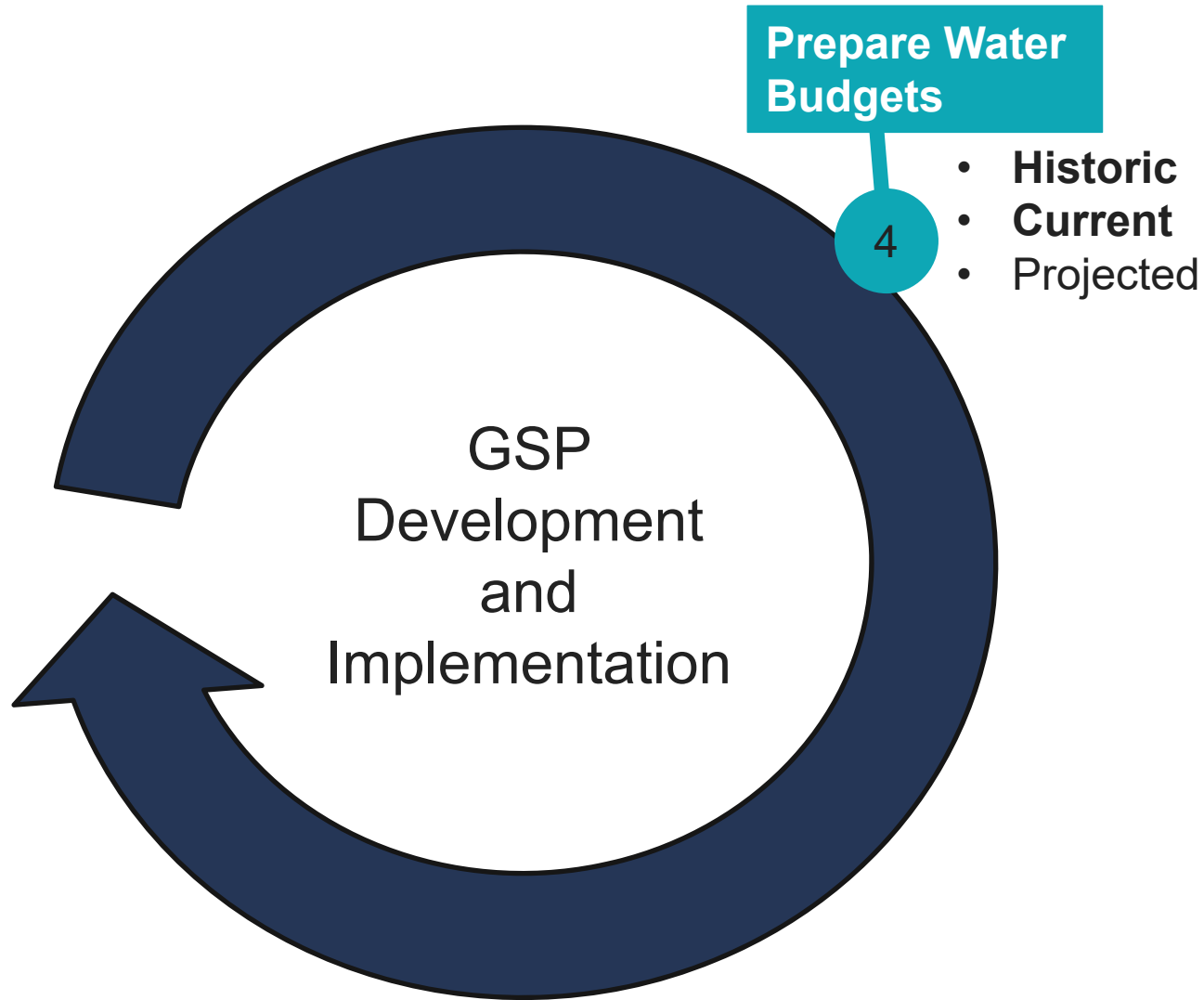
- Public workshops
- GSP Public Draft review
- Adoption of GSPs at public meetings
- Public comment process after adopted to State



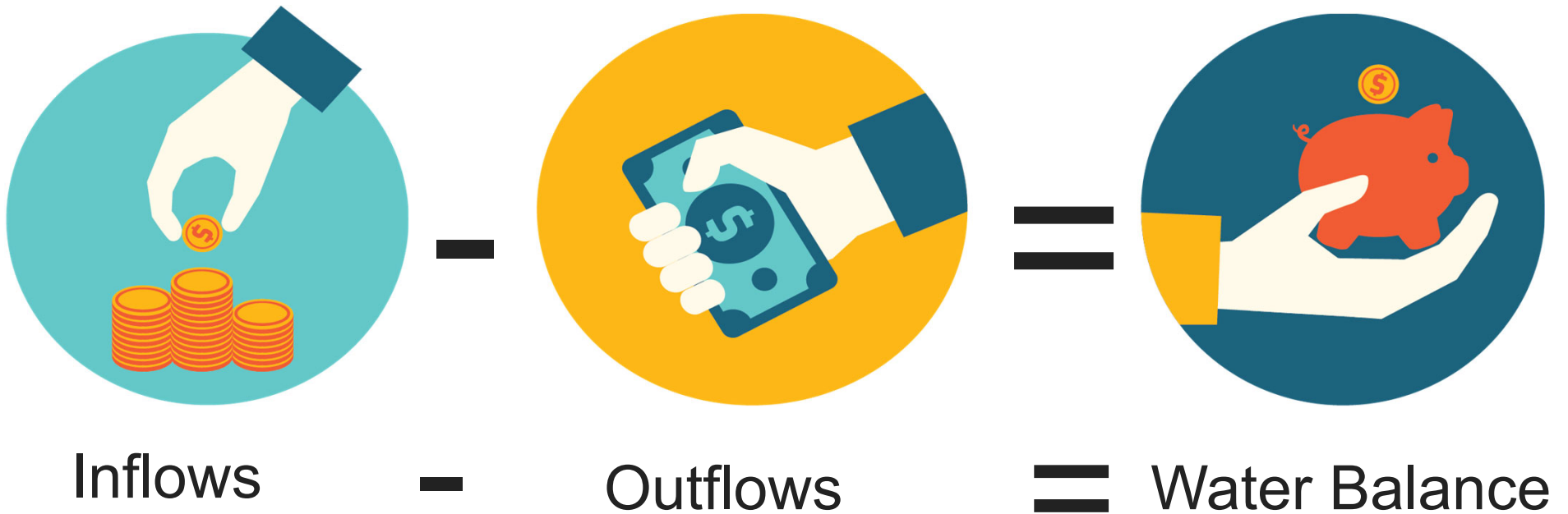


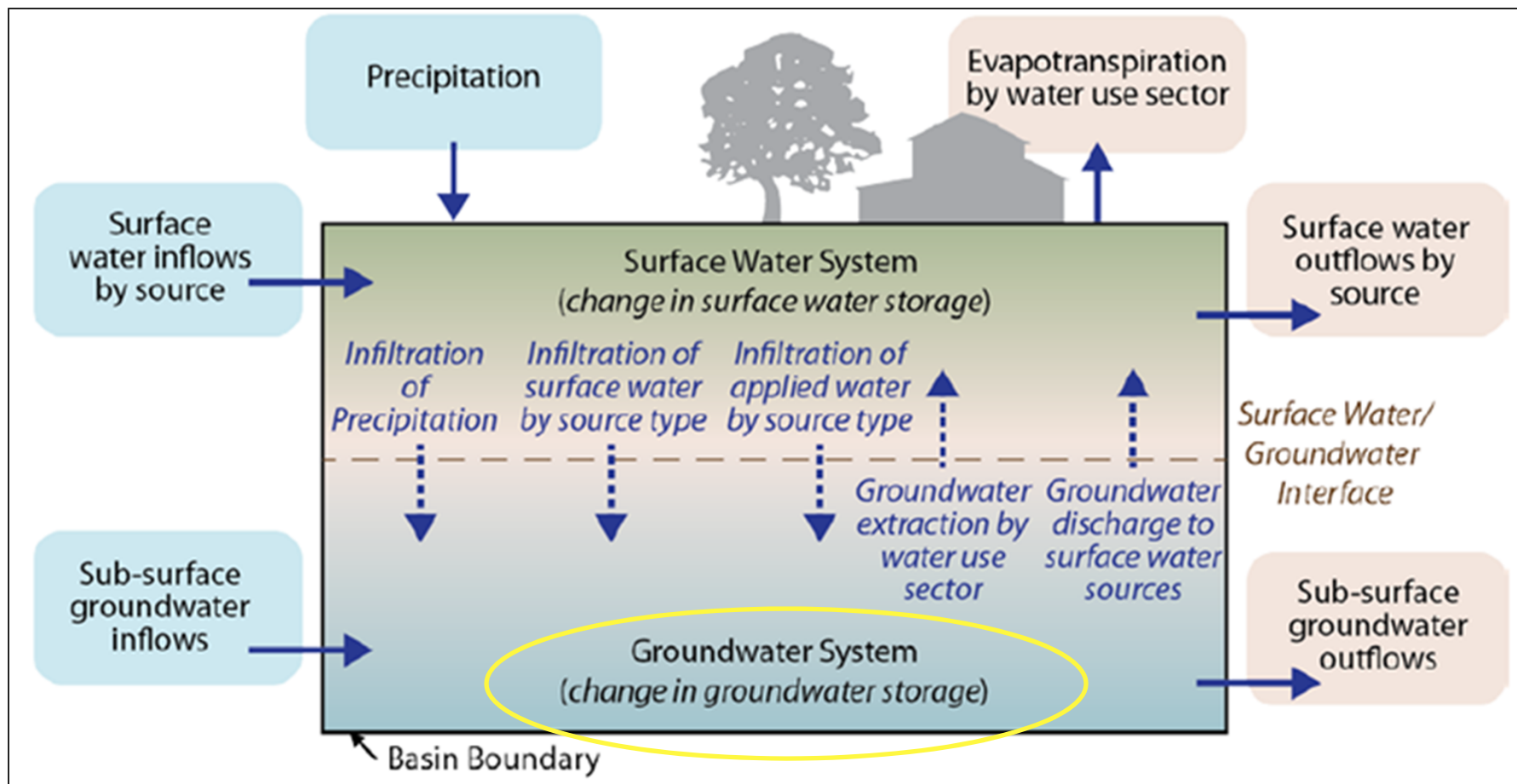
Questions?





A water budget is like a checking account...







We are developing water budgets for three different periods.





Basin-Wide Land Surface Water Budget – Historic and Current

	INFLOWS 	OUTFLOWS 
Historic Average	2,158,950 acre-feet	2,086,400 acre-feet
Current Conditions (2013)	2,116,400 acre-feet	2,070,400 acre-feet

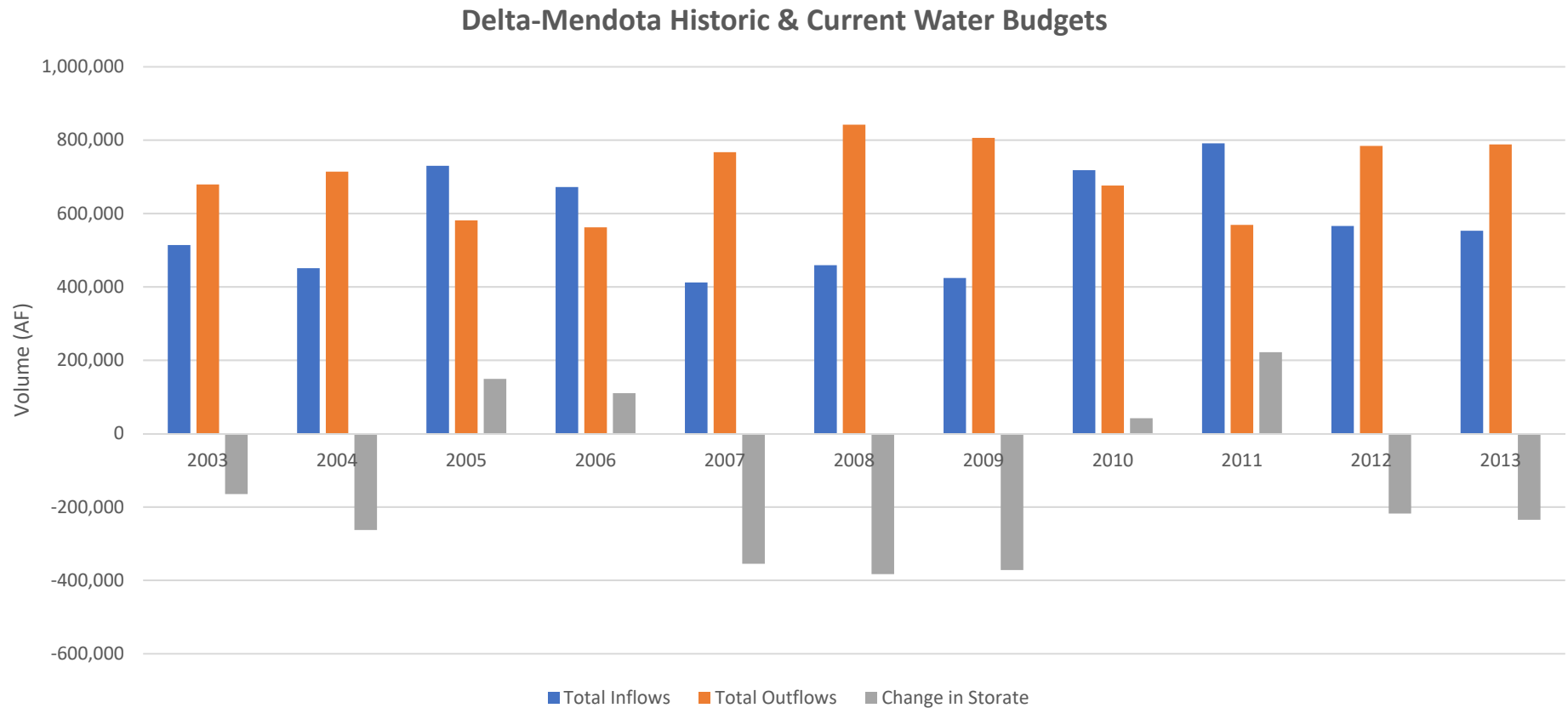
NOTE: Numbers to be updated

Basin-Wide Groundwater Budget – Historic and Current

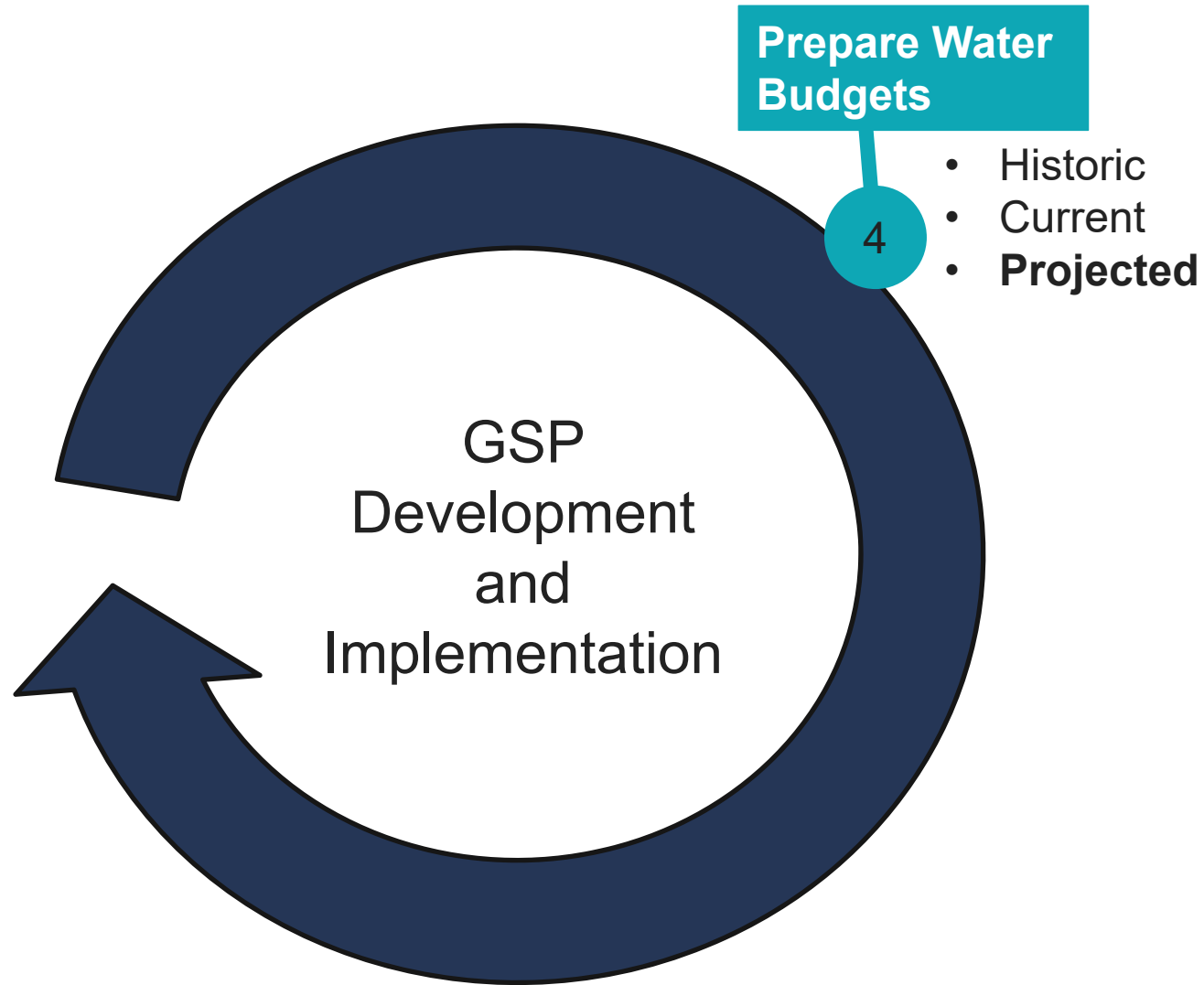
	INFLOWS 	OUTFLOWS 
Historic Average	574,700 acre-feet	698,000 acre-feet
Current Conditions (2013)	553,000 acre-feet	788,000 acre-feet
Change in Storage	-123,300 acre-feet	-235,000 acre-feet

NOTE: Numbers to be updated

Basin-Wide Historic and Current Groundwater Budgets




NOTE: To be updated



PLACEHOLDER – Placeholder slide for bullet points or image to explain how the projected water budget was developed.

Basin-Wide Land Surface Water Budget – Projected

	INFLOWS 	OUTFLOWS 
Projected	XX acre-feet	XX acre-feet

Basin-Wide Groundwater Budget – Projected

	INFLOWS 	OUTFLOWS 
Change in Storage	XX acre-feet	XX acre-feet

PLACEHOLDER – Placeholder slide for summary of projected water budget compared to historic and current water budgets.



Inflows

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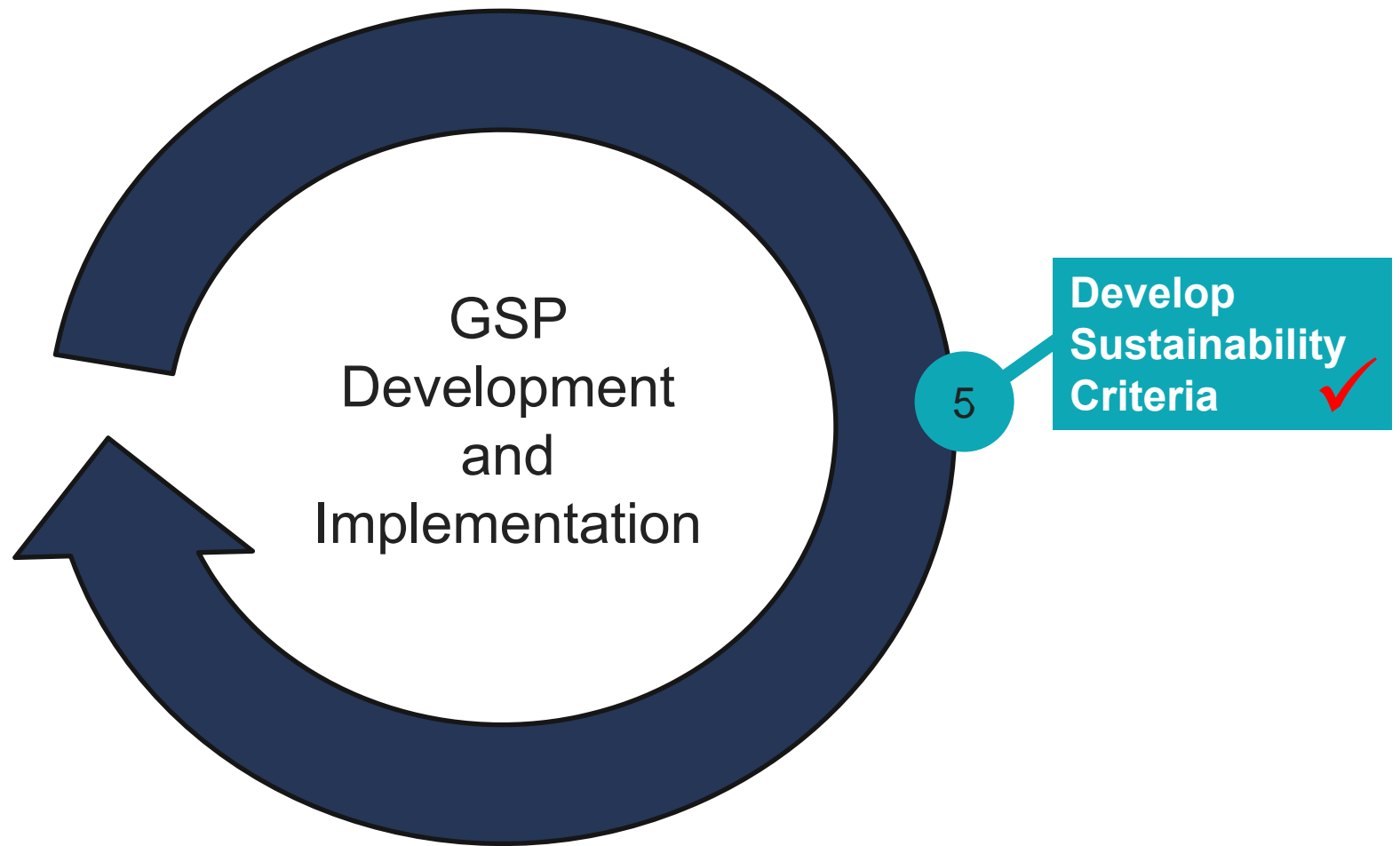


Outflows

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Water Balance



Sustainable Yield = The maximum quantity of water that can be withdrawn annually from a groundwater supply without causing an undesirable result

Sustainable Yield = No Undesirable Results

Undesirable results are significant and unreasonable impacts caused by:

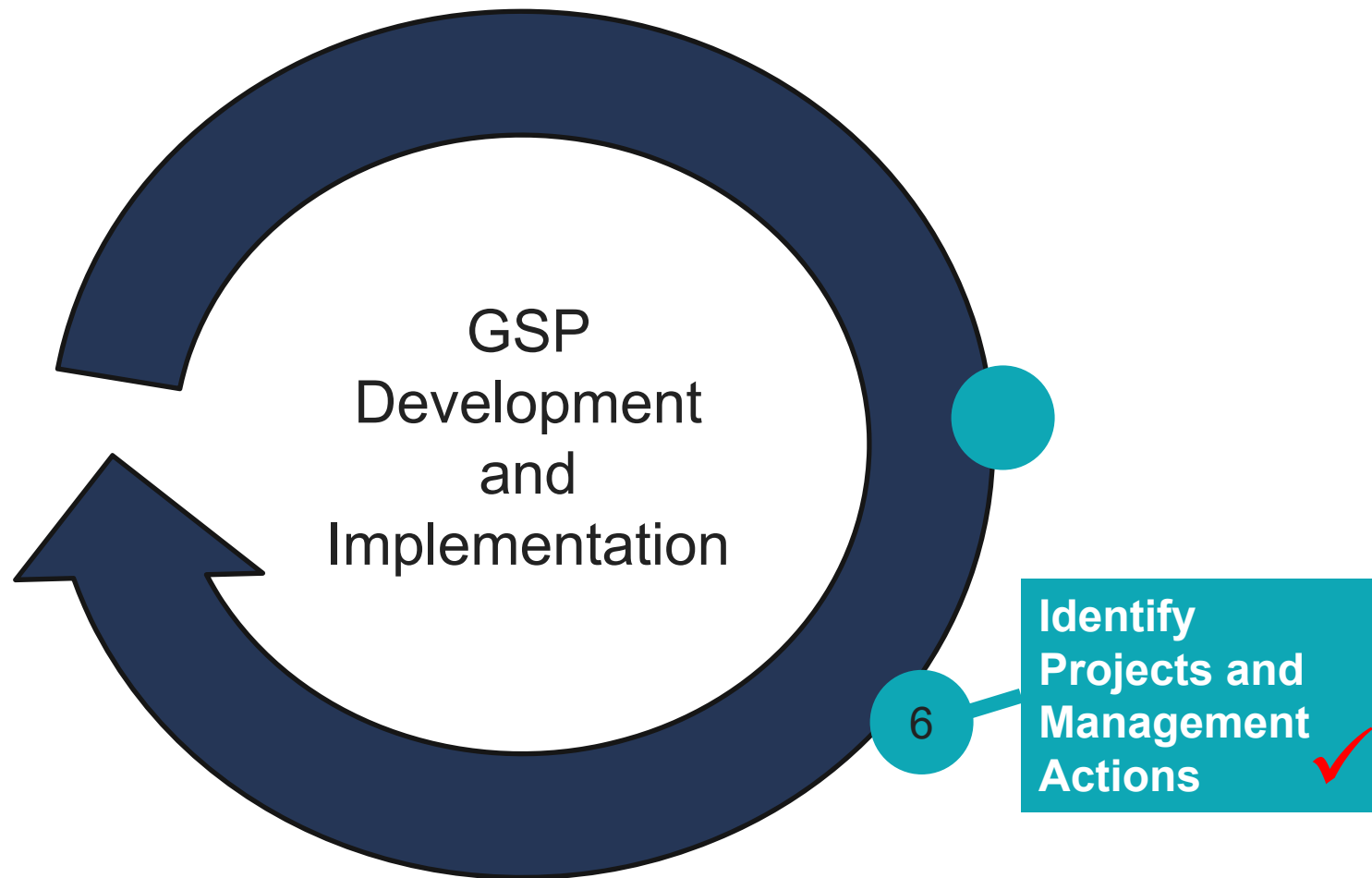
1. Chronic lowering of groundwater levels
2. Reduction of groundwater storage
3. Degraded water quality
4. Land subsidence
5. Depletions of interconnected surface water



PLACEHOLDER – Placeholder slide for presenting the sustainable yield for the Delta-Mendota subbasin.

Why is this important?

- Maintain compliance with SGMA.
- Ensure long-term groundwater resources for drinking water, agriculture, and the environment.
- Drives short- and long-term planning for water resources.

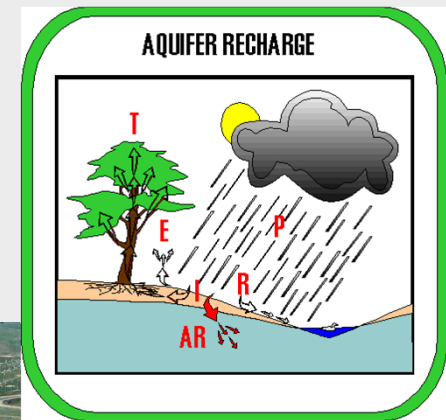
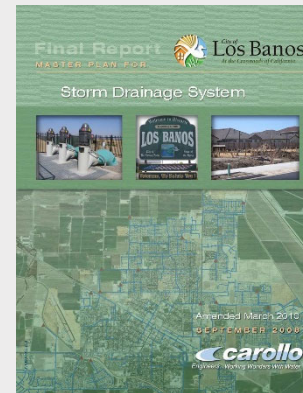


Step 6: Identify Projects and Management Actions

Projects = Things you can construct



Management Actions = Plans, permits, policies, or other actions



Projects and Management Actions in the Delta-Mendota Subbasin

GSP Group	Tier 1 (Next Five Years) Proposed Projects and Management Action
North & Central Delta-Mendota Region	
San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors	
Farmers Water District GSA	
Grasslands GSA	
Aliso Water District GSA	
Fresno County GSAs	



Monitoring Network = A set of wells that are monitored on a regular basis to tell us information about the subbasin, such as groundwater levels and quality

[Does anyone have a high-level graphic than illustrates what a groundwater monitoring network is? If not, I can put one together.]

Delta-Mendota Monitoring Network

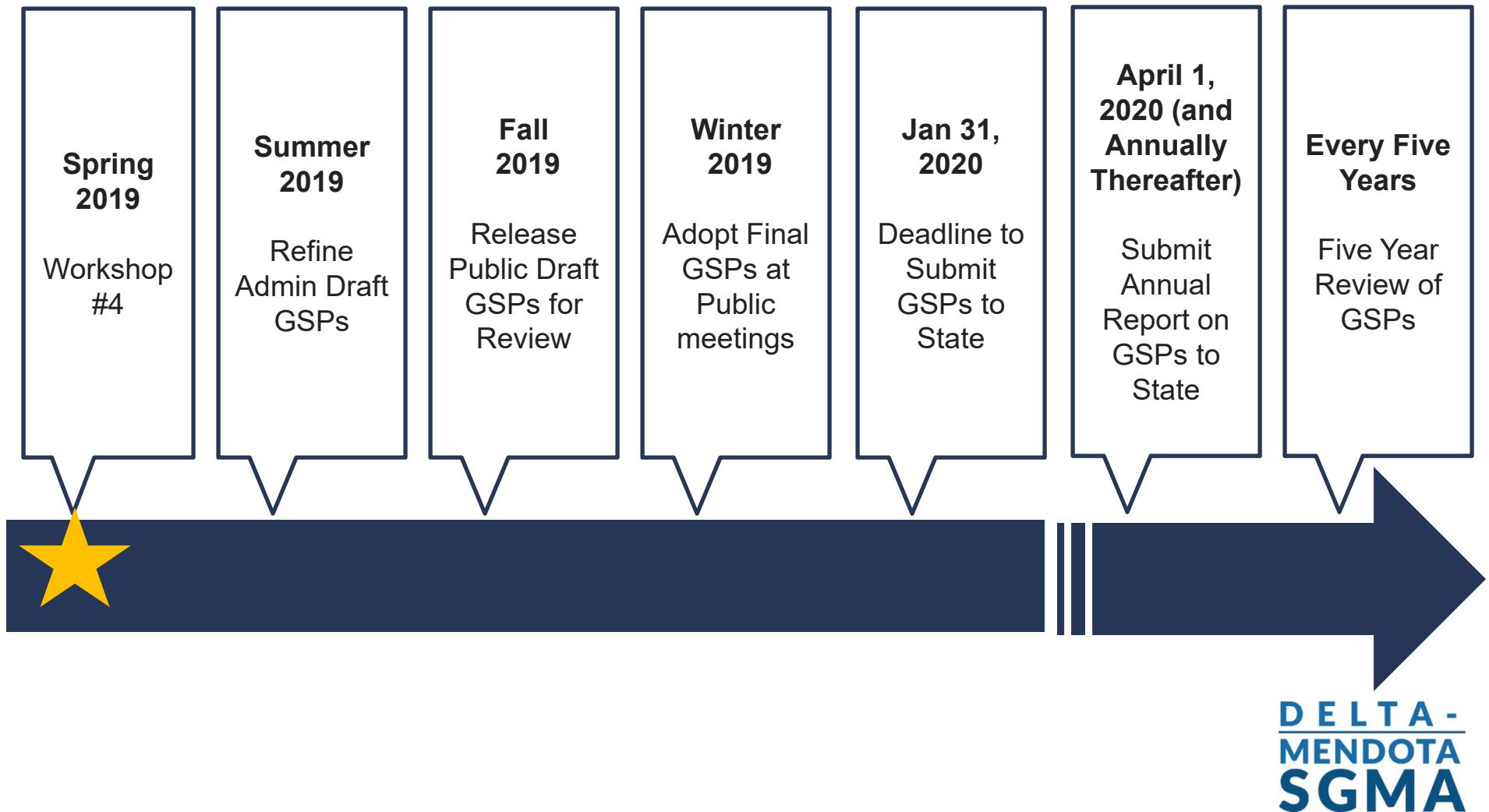
PLACEHOLDER FOR MAP OF PROPOSED MONITORING SITES

PLACEHOLDER – Is there value in providing an example of list of the types of things we will be monitoring for?

What's
Next?



Our Timeline



Get Involved



Talk to your
local
groundwater
sustainability
agency
representative



Sign-up for
your local
groundwater
sustainability
agency's email
list



Attend
meetings and
workshops



Provide input on
groundwater
sustainability plan
development



Help us spread
the word!



**DELTA -
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Attend Public Meetings and Workshops

Delta-Mendota Subbasin Coordination
Committee: 2nd Monday of each
month, 10:00 – 11:00 AM

Delta-Mendota Technical Working
Group, Every Monday, 10:00 – 11:00
AM

Delta-Mendota Communications
Working Group: 4th Tuesday of each
month, 1:00 – 3:00 PM

For more information on
groundwater sustainability
plan development and a full
calendar of public meetings,
visit our website at:

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Questions?



Breakout Session