

**Joint Telephonic Meeting of the Delta-Mendota Subbasin Coordination Committee**

**Tuesday, March 8, 2022, 10:00 a.m.**

**SLDMWA Boardroom, 842 6th Street, Los Banos, CA**

**Coordination Committee Members and Alternates Present**

Vince Lucchesi – Patterson Irrigation District/Northern Delta-Mendota Region  
Chase Hurley – Pacheco Water District/Central Delta-Mendota Region  
Jarrett Martin – Central California Irrigation District/SJREC  
Ric Ortega – Grassland Water District  
Augie Ramirez – Fresno County  
Jim Stilwell – Farmers Water District  
Joe Hopkins – Aliso Water District

**San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority Staff Present**

John Brodie  
Lauren Neves

**Others Present**

Anthea Hansen – Del Puerto Water District  
Adam Scheuber – Del Puerto Water District  
Kyle Hill – Central California Irrigation District  
Juan Cadena – Mercy Springs Water District  
Breanne Vandenberg – Merced County Farm Bureau  
Linda Sloan – Provost & Pritchard  
Rick Iger – Provost & Pritchard  
Meredith Durant – EKI Environment & Water, Inc.  
Natalie Cochran – Woodard & Curran  
Ian Jaffe – Woodard & Curran  
Will Halligan – Luhdorff & Scalmanini  
Lauren Layne – Baker Manock & Jensen  
Amanda Peisch-Derby – DWR  
Yvonne

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

Jarrett Martin/CCID called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

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

No corrections or additions were made to the agenda of items.

**3. Opportunity for Public Comment**

No public comment was shared.

4. **Committee to Review and Take Action on Consent Calendar**
  - a. **Resolution Extending Remote Teleconference Meetings Pursuant to AB 361 for Next 30 Days**
  - b. **Minutes**
    - i. **January 28, 2022 Delta-Mendota Subbasin Joint Technical Working Group and Coordination Committee Meeting**
    - ii. **February 8, 2022 Delta Mendota Coordination Committee Meeting**
  - c. **Budget**
    - i. **January 2022 Budget to Actual Report**

The Committee considered approval of the consent calendar as presented. Augie Ramirez/Fresno County provided the motion and Vince Lucchesi/PID seconded. The Committee voted by roll call; the motion was passed unanimously by those present.

5. **Committee to Consider Approval of WY 2021 Annual Report, Brodie/Cochran**

John Brodie/SLDMWA discussed that representatives of the Northern & Central Management Committees have not approved the Annual Report and its representatives would be unable to vote on it. Natalie Cochran/Woodard & Curran noted that comments could be incorporated in the draft in time for Northern & Central Committee review if those comments were received by March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Vince Lucchesi provided the motion and Chase Hurley/Pacheco WD seconded. The Committee voted by roll call; the motion was passed unanimously by those present.

6. **Committee Consider Process and Timeline for Adopting Amended Coordination Agreement and GSPs as Applicable, Layne**

Lauren Layne/BMJ discussed the process and timeline necessary in order to properly adopt amended Groundwater Sustainability Plans as required by the Determination Letter issued to Subbasin GSP groups by DWR. The deadline to have amendments completed and available for the public hearings is June 22, 2022. Lauren noted that no formal action to adopt a process and timeline was necessary.

7. **Report on the Second Meeting with DWR on the Delta-Mendota Subbasin GSP Determination Letter, Martin**

Jarrett Martin/CCID-SJREC discussed the subcommittee's meeting with DWR to talk about the four deficiencies DWR specified in the Delta-Mendota Subbasin GSPs. He noted the group came to an understanding on how to better address deficiencies one and four, but more work was going to be needed on deficiencies two and three.

John Brodie was directed to schedule a special meeting of the Committee to discuss those deficiencies on Friday, March 11, 2022 at a site to be determined. He was also directed to create a doodle poll seeking the third week of April as a possible fourth meeting with DWR. The third subcommittee meeting with DWR is scheduled March 30, 2022.

8. **Discussion of Draft Report on the Subsidence Characterization and Project Feasibility Study, Brodie**

John Brodie noted that log-in credentials for an ftp site that houses the draft Subsidence Characterization and Project Feasibility Study were previously sent to committee members. Comments on the draft report are due by close of business Friday March 11, 2022 so they

can be compiled and sent to GSI in time to have them incorporated for the next Northern & Central Management Committee meeting.

9. **Discussion of Final Invoice for Prop 68 SGMA GSP Development Grant and Utilization of technical Assistance Funding, Brodie/Jaffe**

John Brodie reminded Committee members that DWR granted an amendment to the Prop 1/68 Delta-Mendota Subbasin GSP Development Grant that moved remaining funds into the technical assistance category in order to utilize as much of the funding as possible. Ian Jaffe/Woodard & Curran said the GSAs could submit invoices for any expenses not already submitted that were for development rather than implementation activities. The deadline to submit those expenses and receive reimbursements is April 30.

10. **Committee to Discuss the Approach for SGMA Round 1 Implementation Funding Negotiations with DWR, Brodie**

John Brodie reported that he anticipated Del Puerto Water District as the lead GSA applicant will soon be contacted by DWR to schedule a meeting on how to trim our request for SGMA Round 1 Implementation funding from \$10 million down to about \$7.6 million. John was directed to send out the scoring matrix used to rank the projects so suggestions on how to make the reductions could be drafted.

11. **Overview of Potential Funding Opportunities, Brodie**

John Brodie directed the attention of Committee members to the meeting packet for a list of currently available funding opportunities.

12. **Discussion of Coordination Committee Meeting Frequency through July 30, 2022, Brodie**

John noted that Coordination Committee generally reverts to quarterly meetings after March, but the Committee might want to meet more frequently in 2022 due to the need to amend the GSPs. He was directed to schedule meetings on the second Tuesday of the month through July, 2022.

13. **Next Steps**

- Committee members have until March 18<sup>th</sup> to submit comments on the Draft WY 2021 Annual Report.
- John will send out a Doodle poll for scheduling a fourth consultation meeting with DWR on the GSP Determination letters.
- Committee members have until Close of Business on March 11, 2022 to submit comments on the draft Subsidence and Project Feasibility Study.
- John will look into the possibility of utilizing previous Coordination Committee dues as possible reimbursement items for the Prop 1/68 SGMA Development Grant.
- John was directed to send out the SGMA Round 1 Implementation grant scoring matrix for use in trimming down the submitted budget.

14. **Reports Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(3)**

No topics were discussed under this item.

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No topics were discussed under this item.

16. **Future Meetings and Important Dates, Brodie**

- a. February 1<sup>st</sup> - April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022: Delta-Mendota Subbasin Seasonal High (Spring) Water Level Monitoring Window
- b. Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.: Delta-Mendota Subbasin GSP Consultation Meeting with DWR (subcommittee)
- c. Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.: Coordination Committee Meeting

17. **ADJOURNMENT**

Jarrett Martin/CCID adjourned the meeting at 11:59 a.m.

Special Joint Telephonic Meeting of the Delta-Mendota Subbasin Coordination Committee

Friday, March 11, 2022, 9:30 a.m.

SLDMWA Boardroom, 842 6th Street, Los Banos, CA

**Coordination Committee Members and Alternates Present**

Vince Lucchesi – Patterson Irrigation District/Northern Delta-Mendota Region  
Jarrett Martin – Central California Irrigation District/SJREC  
Ric Ortega – Grassland Water District  
Augie Ramirez – Fresno County  
Jim Stilwell – Farmers Water District  
Joe Hopkins – Aliso Water District

**San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority Staff Present**

John Brodie

**Others Present**

Adam Scheuber – Del Puerto Water District  
Kyle Hill – Central California Irrigation District  
Ellen Wehr – Grasslands Water District  
Will Halligan – Luhdorff & Scalmanini  
Breanne Vandenberg – Merced County Farm Bureau  
Linda Sloan – Provost & Pritchard  
Rick Iger – Provost & Pritchard  
Leslie Dumas – Woodard & Curran  
Natalie Cochran – Woodard & Curran  
Zachary Roy – Woodard & Curran  
Jessica Johnson – Baker Manock & Jensen  
Andrew Garcia – Santa Clara Valley Water District

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

Jarrett Martin/CCID called the meeting to order at 9:41 a.m.

**2. Opportunity for Public Comment**

No public comment was shared.

**3. Committee to Discuss Compiled Water Budget Spreadsheet, Martin/Cochran**

The Committee discussed changes to the water budget spreadsheet contained in the Common Chapter of the Subbasin GSPs to address Deficiency #1 in the DWR Determination Letter on the Subbasin GSPs.

**4. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation**

The Committee met in closed session to confer with legal counsel pursuant to Paragraph (1), Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9.

*California Sportfishing Protection Alliance v. All Persons Interested in the Matter of the Validity of the Northern and Central Delta-Mendota Regions Groundwater Sustainability Plan, et al.*, Stanislaus County Superior Court, Case No. CV-20-001748 [Delta-Mendota Subbasin SGMA Challenge].

**5. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation**

The Committee met in closed session to confer with legal counsel on significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: (1 case).

**6. Report Out of Closed Session**

No reportable actions were identified from closed session.

**7. Adjournment**

Jarrett Martin adjourned the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

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Special Telephonic Meeting of the Delta-Mendota Subbasin Coordination Committee

Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 9:30 AM

SLDMWA Boardroom, 842 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Los Banos, CA

**Coordination Committee Members and Alternates Present**

Vince Lucchesi – Patterson Irrigation District/Northern Delta-Mendota Region  
Chase Hurley – Pacheco Water District/Central Delta-Mendota Region  
Jarrett Martin – Central California Irrigation District/SJREC  
Augie Ramirez – Fresno County  
John Wiersma – San Luis Canal Company/SJREC  
Ric Ortega – Grassland Water District  
Joe Hopkins – Aliso Water District/Provost & Pritchard

**San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority Members Present**

John Brodie  
Scott Petersen

**Others Present**

Anthea Hansen – Del Puerto Water District  
Adam Scheuber – Del Puerto Water District  
Maria Encinas – City of Patterson  
Fernando Ulloa – City of Patterson  
Joel Andrews – City of Patterson  
Steve Stadler – San Luis Water District  
Adriel Ramirez – Merced County  
Chris Rogers – Central California Irrigation District  
Kyle Hill – Central California Irrigation District  
Andrew Garcia – Valley Water  
Rick Iger – Provost & Pritchard  
Anona Dutton – EKI Environment & Water, Inc. -  
Meredith Durant – EKI Environment & Water, Inc.  
Leslie Dumas – Woodard & Curran  
Will Halligan – Luhdorff & Scalmanini  
Andrew Francis – Luhdorff & Scalmanini  
Lauren Layne – Baker Manock & Jensen  
Yvonne

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

Jarrett Martin/CCID called the meeting to order at 9:33 AM.

**2. Opportunity for Public Comment**

No public comment was shared.

3. **Committee to Consider Approval of the Delta-Mendota Subbasin Water Year 2021 Consolidated Annual Report, Brodie/Dumas**

The draft WY 2021 Consolidated Annual Report was revised to incorporate received comments and provided to the Committee members for review. The Consolidated Annual Report is due to DWR on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.

The Committee considered approval of the WY 2021 Consolidated Annual Report. Vince Lucchesi/NCDM-PID provided the motion and Chase Hurley/NCDM-Pacheco seconded. The Committee voted by roll call; the motion was passed unanimously by those present.

4. **Committee to Consider Approval of the Subsidence Characterization and Project Feasibility Determination, Brodie**

The Committee considered the draft of the Subsidence Characterization and Project Feasibility Determination Report and concluded that additional revisions are needed prior to approval by the Coordination Committee. The report must be completed by April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022, therefore a Special Meeting of the Subbasin Coordination Committee may be necessary to approve the revised Report. Vince Lucchesi provided a motion to table this item and Chase Hurley seconded. The Committee voted by roll call; the motion was passed unanimously by those present.

5. **Committee to Discuss Compiled Water Budget Spreadsheet and Projected Water Budget Option, Martin/Dumas**

These items were circulated to the Committee members for review on March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022. The historical and projected water budgets have been prepared for review with DWR during discussion of the Subbasin response to the DWR Incomplete Determination.

6. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation**

The Committee met in closed session to confer with legal counsel pursuant to Paragraph (1), Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9.

*California Sportfishing Protection Alliance v. All Persons Interested in the Matter of the Validity of the Northern and Central Delta-Mendota Regions Groundwater Sustainability Plan, et al.*, Stanislaus County Superior Court, Case No. CV-20-001748 [Delta-Mendota Subbasin SGMA Challenge].

7. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation**

The Committee met in closed session to confer with legal counsel on significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: (1 case).

8. **Report out of Closed Session, Martin**

No reportable actions were identified from the Closed Session.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

Jarrett Martin adjourned the meeting at 11:27 AM.



**SAN LUIS & DELTA-MENDOTA WATER AUTHORITY**  
**MARCH 1, 2021 - FEBRUARY 28, 2022**  
**SGMA ACTIVITIES - COORDINATED COST-SHARE AGREEMENT**  
**ACTIVITY AGREEMENTS BUDGET TO ACTUAL**  
**COORDINATED (FUND 63)**

**Report Period 3/1/21 - 1/31/22**  
**Coordination Committee 3/8/2022**

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	Annual Budget	Paid/ Pending	Additional Pending	Total Expenses	Amount Remaining	% of Amt Remaining	Expenses Through
<u>Legal:</u>							
Outside Counsel	\$ 4,000	\$ 5,745	\$ -	\$ 5,745	\$ (1,745)	-44%	12/31/21
<u>Other Professional Services:</u>							
GSP Implementation Contracts							
Coordinated Annual Reports Activities (Common Chapter, Water Level Contouring)	\$ 10,500	\$ 21,064	\$ -	\$ 21,064	\$ (10,564)	-101%	9/30/21
DMS Hosting, Augmentation and Support	\$ 14,943	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,943	100%	
Staff Augmentation Support (Provost & Pritchard)	\$ 19,941	\$ 26,600	\$ -	\$ 26,600	\$ (6,659)	-33%	1/31/22
Proposition 68 (Grant Administration)							
Component 1 (Grant Administration)	\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,000	100%	
Component 2 (Technical Assistance)	\$ 45,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,000	100%	
Component 11 (Subsidence Characterization)	\$ 85,000	\$ 65,683	\$ -	\$ 65,683	\$ 19,318	23%	12/31/21
<u>Other:</u>							
Executive Director	\$ 1,980	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,980	100%	
General Counsel	\$ 3,116	\$ 69	\$ -	\$ 69	\$ 3,047	98%	10/31/21
Water Policy Director	\$ 2,955	\$ 229	\$ -	\$ 229	\$ 2,726	92%	1/31/22
Water Resources Program Manager	\$ 34,571	\$ 29,091	\$ -	\$ 29,091	\$ 5,480	16%	1/31/22
Accounting	\$ 3,690	\$ 294	\$ -	\$ 294	\$ 3,396	92%	1/31/22
Los Banos Administrative Office (LBAO)	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	100%	
Travel/Mileage	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000	100%	
Group Meetings	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	100%	
Telephone	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	100%	
Equipment and Tools	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	100%	
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 260,696</b>	<b>\$ 148,775</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 148,775</b>	<b>\$ 111,921</b>	<b>43%</b>	

## John Brodie

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**From:** Leslie Dumss  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 6, 2022  
**To:** John Brodie  
**Cc:** J. Scott Petersen; Natalie Cochran  
**Subject:** RE: Overpayment and Invoice 191604

**CAUTION:** This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Hi John

We went back through the invoices you requested along with the most recent invoices (from this last fiscal year) and have distributed the charges (ours, P&P's and KDSA's) into NCDM and Coordinated as requested.

	W&C Invoice No.			FY21-22 W&C Invoices		
	191604	191605	193181	193234	200546	Jan/Feb 2022*
<b>Coordinated</b>	\$5,987.06	\$5,084.31	\$1,604.79	\$1,232.00	\$9,878.34	\$10,985.67
<b>NCDM</b>	\$6,582.95	\$1,157.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$32,109.80	\$10,018.55
<b>Total</b>	\$12,570.01	\$6,241.51	\$1,604.79	\$1,232.00	\$41,988.14	\$21,004.22

\* Invoice pending to you; should be out in the next week or so

Please let me know if you need more detailed backup or if this is sufficient for your use.

Leslie

**Leslie Dumas, P.E., D.WRE**



# Drought Well Permitting Requirements

## *Drought Executive Order N-7-22*

On March 28, 2022 Governor Newsom issued [Drought Executive Order N-7-22](#) that included new well permitting requirements for local agencies to prepare for and lessen the effects of drought conditions (Action 9).

### *Well Permitting Authority and Groundwater Management Oversight*

In California, regulatory authority over well construction, alteration, and destruction activities resides with local agencies (cities, counties, or water agencies), who have the authority to adopt a local well ordinance. Well permits are administered and enforced by local agencies (or local enforcing agencies, [LEAs](#)), often the Department of Environmental Health within a given county.

With the enactment of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act ([SGMA](#)) in 2014, local public agencies – called [groundwater sustainability agencies](#) or GSAs – formed to provide specific oversight and management of groundwater resources, and to achieve sustainable groundwater management within 20 years through the development and implementation of groundwater sustainability plans (GSPs) and associated projects and management actions. The local GSAs are required to include in their GSPs a discussion of how they will coordinate these efforts with local land use authorities, including local well permitting agencies.

### *Drought Well Permitting Requirements*

Local well ordinances authorize the conditions for agencies to issue a well permit or permit modification. Given the record drought conditions the state has faced over the last three years, Drought Executive Order N-7-22 requires additional actions be taken by local well permitting agencies prior to issuing a well permit.

#### **Excerpt of Action 9 from Drought Executive Order N-7-22:**

*9. To protect health, safety, and the environment during this drought emergency, a county, city, or other public agency shall not:*

*a. Approve a permit for a new groundwater well or for alteration of an existing well in a basin subject to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and classified as medium- or high-priority without first obtaining written verification from a Groundwater Sustainability Agency managing the basin or area of the basin where the well is proposed to be located that groundwater extraction by the proposed well would not be inconsistent with any sustainable groundwater management program established in any applicable Groundwater Sustainability Plan adopted by that Groundwater Sustainability Agency and would not decrease the likelihood of achieving a sustainability goal for the basin covered by such a plan; or*

*b. Issue a permit for a new groundwater well or for alteration of an existing well without first determining that extraction of groundwater from the proposed well is (1) not likely to interfere with the production and functioning of existing nearby wells, and (2) not likely to cause subsidence that would adversely impact or damage nearby infrastructure.*

*This paragraph shall not apply to permits for wells that will provide less than two acre-feet per year of groundwater for individual domestic users, or that will exclusively provide groundwater to public water supply systems as defined in section 116275 of the Health and Safety Code.*

Local well permitting agencies retain existing well permitting authorities, including reviewing and administering well permits. Under the Executive Order Action 9, local well permitting agencies must take the following steps during the well permitting process for wells intending to extract groundwater:

1. Consultation with the GSA – If the proposed well would be in a high or medium priority groundwater basin, the well permitting agency must consult with the GSA and receive written verification from the GSA that the proposed well location is generally consistent (not inconsistent) with the applicable GSP and will not decrease the likelihood of achieving the sustainability goals that the GSAs have developed under SGMA.
2. Permit Evaluation – For every well permit application, the local well permitting agency must determine before issuing a well permit that extraction of groundwater from the proposed well is not likely to interfere with the production and functioning of existing nearby wells and is not likely to cause subsidence that would adversely impact or damage nearby infrastructure.

These requirements do not apply to wells that pump less than 2 acre-feet per year (de minimus users) and wells that exclusively provide groundwater to public water supply systems as defined in [section 116275](#) of the Health and Safety Code.

### *State Resources Available to Local Agencies*

The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) provides technical and other support services to local agencies to support decision-making. The following resources are available to help local agencies navigate the well permitting requirements in this Drought Executive Order:

- To find the **groundwater basins subject to SGMA** and classified as medium or high priority: [Basin Prioritization Dashboard](#)
- To find the **Groundwater Sustainability Agency** managing the applicable basin or area of the basin: [GSA Map Viewer](#)
- To find the **Groundwater Sustainability Plan** adopted by the local Groundwater Sustainability Agency: [GSP Map Viewer](#)
- To view **existing nearby wells** (domestic, irrigation, public supply and reported dry wells): [California's Groundwater Live – Well Infrastructure](#)
- To view **groundwater levels and trends**: [California's Groundwater Live – Groundwater Levels](#)
- To view **subsidence data** and nearby infrastructure: [California's Groundwater Live – Subsidence Data](#)

For more information or questions, please contact DWR's Sustainable Groundwater Management Office at: [SGMPS@water.ca.gov](mailto:SGMPS@water.ca.gov).

*For more information about the State's Drought Response and Assistance, please visit [drought.ca.gov](http://drought.ca.gov).*

## John Brodie

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**From:** Maxey, Steve  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 6, 2022 10:54 AM  
**To:** Maxey, Steve  
**Cc:** Jones, Vicki; Ramirez, Adriel; Vang, Ka M; Hendrickson, Mark  
**Subject:** Merced County Well Permit Transition

**CAUTION:** This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Good Morning, Merced County GSAs:

The purpose of this email is to confirm the Merced County well permitting process in recognition of Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-7-22, which includes language pertaining to well permits as we approach the effective date of May 1, 2022 for the County's amended Groundwater Mining and Export Ordinance (the "amended ordinance").

Merced County, through its efforts in enacting the amended ordinance, engaged all GSAs to obtain input on the amended ordinance and the transition period to the required GSA consistency determination, which begins May 1<sup>st</sup>. During this transition period, the County will continue to issue well construction permits for applications that meet requirements under the existing groundwater mining and export ordinance **unless notified otherwise by a GSA wishing to consider individual well permits to be issued prior to May 1<sup>st</sup>**. GSAs that wish to review individual permits must notify the County as soon as possible.

The County has also notified well drillers and applicants that in consideration of permit processing time, the Governor's Executive Order, and the upcoming effective date of the amended ordinance, only complete applications received by April 11, 2022 will be processed by the County. Applications received after April 11 will be routed to respective GSAs for consistency determinations; and permits associated with those applications will be issued after May 1, 2022 in compliance with the requirements of the amended Groundwater Mining and Export Ordinance and the Executive Order.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Steve

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**Steve Maxey**  
Deputy Director, Planning  
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and Economic Development

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## John Brodie

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**From:** Stephanie Anagnoson  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 31, 2022 5:20 PM  
**To:** John Brodie; Rebecca R. Akroyd; J. Scott Petersen  
**Cc:** Lauren D. Layne; Dexter Marr  
**Subject:** RE: Governor's Executive Order and Well Permitting

Good evening,

We are working on a process in Madera County. Dexter Marr from Environmental Health will reach out to each GSA within Madera County via mail and email.

Thanks,

Stephanie



**Stephanie Anagnoson** | Director of Water and Natural Resources

**WATER AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**

200 W. 4th Street, Suite 3100, Madera, CA 93637



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**From:** John Brodie  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2022 4:31 PM  
**To:** Rebecca R. Akroyd; J. Scott Petersen **Cc:** Lauren D. Layne  
**Subject:** FW: Governor's Executive Order and Well Permitting

## GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY (GSA) COMPLIANCE WITH EXECUTIVE ORDER N-7-22

The following information must be completed, signed, and submitted for each well permit application for a new or altered well that is subject to the Governor's Executive Order N-7-22. New or altered well permits cannot be approved by the County of Fresno (County) without this information. Please complete, sign, and submit this form for each well permit even if all four boxes cannot be checked. The County cannot enforce or negotiate any restrictions or requirements established by a GSA .

WELL Number:	Date Submitted:	GSA Phone or Email
Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) Name		GSA Representative Name/Title
Site Location:		APN:
Property Owner:		Driller Business Name:

Groundwater Sustainability Agency Determinations (check all that apply):

- To the best of my knowledge at the time of this submittal, the above well **is not inconsistent with any sustainable groundwater management program** established in any applicable groundwater sustainability plan adopted by this agency and **would not decrease the likelihood of achieving a sustainability goal** for the basin covered by such a plan.
  
- To the best of my knowledge at the time of this submittal, the above well is **not likely to interfere** with the production and functioning of existing nearby wells.
  
- To the best of my knowledge at the time of this submittal, the above well is **not likely to cause subsidence** that would adversely impact or damage nearby infrastructure.
  
- This Groundwater Sustainability Agency has no objection to the County issuing the permit for this well.** (All above boxes in this section must also be checked.)

If one or more items above are not able to be checked at this time, please provide more information below as to why and include any known timeline(s) for compliance.

Comments:

Groundwater Sustainability Agency representative name completing and signing this document:

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Funding Opportunities – Updated 4/11/2022**

Small-scale Water Efficiency Program (SWEPP) Up to \$100,000 per applicant through the USBR's WaterSMART Program for projects that can be completed within two years. The program targets small, on-the-ground projects in the west that conserve, better manage, or use water more efficiently. 50% cost share is required. Deadline 4/28/2022.

Drought Resiliency Projects (DRP) Grant Program The USBR is accepting applications for the program which seeks to build long-term resilience to drought and reduce the need for emergency response actions. Applicants may request up to \$5 Million with a minimum 50% cost share. Deadline 6/15/2022

IRWM Proposition 1 Round 2 Comments will be accepted on draft solicitation documents until 2/18/2022. An April deadline is anticipated. There is \$955,000 in funding for the San Joaquin River Funding area, no set amount for the Tulare Kern Funding area. Deadlines will be set when the final guidelines are released, likely in April, 2022. The earliest proposal deadlines in the initial discussions by DWR are late summer into the fall of 2022.

Fertilizer Research and Education Program, CA Dept. of Food and Agriculture Total of \$225,000 available for projects on: improving input management, understanding plant-soil processes, and evaluating loss pathways. They are focused on nutrients in general with nitrogen/nitrates as a particular focus. It is a rolling deadline with funding awarded as projects are approved.