



**Meeting of the Northern Delta-Mendota Regional Management Committee**

**Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 1:00 PM**

**Patterson City Council Chambers, 1 Plaza Circle, Patterson, CA 95363**

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a Meeting of the Northern Delta-Mendota Regional Management Committee has been called for **Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 1:00 PM**, on items listed on the attached agenda, which is incorporated by reference and made a part hereof.

*Teleconference Locations:*

1 Plaza Circle Patterson, CA 95363	3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C, Modesto, CA 95358
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**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order/Roll Call ([Pierce](#))
2. Pledge of Allegiance ([Pierce](#))
3. Consider Corrections or Additions to the Agenda of Items, as Authorized by Government Code Section 54950 et seq. ([Pierce](#))
4. Election of Committee Officers – Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer ([Layne](#))
5. Opportunity for Public Comment ([Pierce](#))

**Consent Calendar**

6. Review and Take Action on the Consent Calendar ([Pierce](#))
  - a. Minutes of the January 7, 2026 Meeting

b. Budget to Actual Report

**Closed Session**

7. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (Layne)  
*The Committee will meet in closed session to confer with legal counsel on significant exposure to anticipated litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: (1 case)*

**Open Session**

8. Report from Closed Session (Layne)

**Action Items**

9. Ratify the Northern DM GSA Group Representative and Alternate to the DM Authority Board of Directors (Layne)
10. Consider Approval of Northern DM Committee Consultant Contracts and Recommend JPA Board Approval (Liddy)
11. Consider Approval of the Termination of the Activity Agreement with the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority and Authorize the Chairman to Sign the Notice of Termination of Activity Agreement Letter (Layne)
12. Review and Consider Approval of the 2026 Meeting Calendar for the Northern Delta-Mendota Region Management Committee (Liddy)

**Report Items**

13. Status of Northern Delta-Mendota Special Project Agreement (Layne)
14. SGMA Round 1 Grant Implementation Activities (Dumas/Cochran)
15. GSP Implementation Updates
  - a. Update on Pumping Reduction Plan and GSP Implementation Tracking and Exceedance Reporting (Dutton/Mani)
  - b. Update on the Draft DM Subbasin Annual Report to DWR (Liddy/Cochran)
16. Program Management Report (Liddy)
  - a. Review of Previous Meeting Action Items
  - b. Schedule of Key Milestones

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17. Next Steps (Liddy)
18. Reports Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(3) (Layne)
19. Next Meeting(s): (Pierce)
20. Adjournment (Pierce)



TO: Northern DM Region Management Committee  
Agenda Item No. 6

FROM: Karlee Liddy, Hallmark Group

DATE: March 4, 2026

SUBJECT: Review and Take Action on the Consent Calendar

**Recommendation**

Approve the Consent Calendar.

**Discussion**

The documents below are included in the consent calendar for consideration of approval:

- a. Minutes of the January 7, 2026 Northern DM Regional Management Committee (**Attachment 1**).
- b. Budget to Actual Report through December 2025 (**Attachment 2**) and through January 2026 (**Attachment 3**).



**Northern Delta-Mendota Region Management Committee**  
**Draft Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, January 7, 2026, 1:00 PM**  
**Patterson City Council Chambers, 1 Plaza Circle, Patterson, CA**

**Northern Delta-Mendota Region Management Committee Members and Alternates Present**

Vince Lucchesi, Member – Patterson Irrigation District (PID)  
Lacey McBride – Merced County  
Maria Encinas, Member – City of Patterson  
Joel Andrews, City of Patterson  
Anthea Hansen, Del Puerto WD

**Absent**

Bobby Pierce, Chair – West Stanislaus Irrigation District  
Christy McKinnon, Member – Stanislaus County  
Scott Petersen, Water Policy Director, San Luis- Delta Mendota Water Authority

**Others Present**

Kait Palys, INTERA  
Larrisa Camara, City of Patterson  
Matt Garcia, Del Puerto Water District

**Others Present via Zoom**

Amir Mani, EKI  
Anona Dutton, EKI  
Karlee Liddy, Hallmark Group  
Liam's Iphone  
Leslie Dumas, Woodard & Curran  
Margaret Califaris, TriHydro (Consultant for Stanislaus Co.)  
Michael  
Ryo Takanashi  
Thomas Cleverdon

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

Committee Member Lucchesi called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m.

## **2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Member Lucchesi led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **3. 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 of items.

## **4. Opportunity for Public Comment**

No public comment was provided.

### **OPEN SESSION**

#### **Consent Calendar**

## **5. Committee to Review and Take Action on the Consent Calendar**

- a. Minutes of the December 10, 2025 Northern Delta-Mendota Region Management Committee Meeting
- b. Budget to Actual Report for Period Ending November 30,2025

#### **Motion**

Committee Member Encinas provided the motion to approve the December 10, 2025 meeting minutes with amendments and the budget to actual report. Committee Member Hansen seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Action Items**

## **6. Committee Consideration to Proceed with the Special Projects Agreement, Contingent Upon JPA Board Approval of the Formation (Functional Continuation) of the Northern Delta-Mendota Region Management Committee**

Lauren Layne (Baker Manock & Jensen) provided background on the Northern D-M GSAs Special Project Agreement, including comments from Merced County. She stated that all GSAs will be member agencies of the new Joint Powers Authority, which may appoint a committee (potentially a standing committee of the Northern Region, for example). Ms. Layne highlighted section F of the recitals which, under the new JPA, would terminate the Activity Agreement that is currently in place for the Northern Region.

Member McBride asked if the standing or ad hoc committee of the Northern Region would need to be compliant with the Brown Act, and Ms. Layne responded that it would depend on the type of committee established. An ad hoc would not be held to the Brown Act.

Ms. Layne also stated that a unanimous decision by the Board would need to be made to add any additional member agencies to the JPA.

Member McBride asked if section 10.1 includes Northern regional costs and costs for the Northern Committee to have a seat on the JPA/ Coordinated Committee. Ms. Layne stated that is correct, and that she can add language to more clearly denote those costs, in addition to special, one-off costs.

Member McBride asked if unanimous groundwater sustainability agency approval would be needed or if just the Northern Committee could approve a budget each year. Ms. Layne clarified that the New JPA would have ultimate budget approval authority, with language in 10.1 to have approval by participating members, which could mean the Northern Committee (as a standing committee of the JPA).

Ms. Layne stated that she would include a standard interest rate for late payments under section 10.2. Member Lucchesi suggested that an interest rate should remain the same as the interest rate that already exists with the SLDWMA. Ms. Layne stated that the final clean draft will be distributed and that GSAs of the Northern Committee should sign by February 28, 2026.

Ms. Layne stated that all Northern GSAs will have one week to provide final edits or feedback from their home Boards and legal counsel.

#### **Motion**

Committee Member McBride provided the motion to have Northern Committee representatives recommend their GSA Boards approve entering into the Special Projects Agreement in its substantive form, subject to any substantive edits made by Merced County legal counsel or others within one week. Committee Member Hansen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

### **Report Items**

#### **7. SGMA Round 1 Grant Implementation Activities**

Leslie Dumas (Woodard & Curran) gave a summary of the key grant dates and status of deliverables. She stated that all invoices and deliverables are due to W&C for reimbursement by January 23, 2026 and suggested GSAs begin drafting their component completion reports. Last, she stated that Amendment 6 is in review at the California Department of Water Resources.

Member McKinnon stated they are unable to complete construction by the end of January and may conclude work closer to the end of February, with the contractor estimating 20 days from start to completion.

## **8. Delta-Mendota Subbasin Budget**

This item was covered by Kait Palys (INTERA) on behalf of Taylor Blakslee and there were no questions from the Committee.

## **9. JPA Status**

- a. Committee to discuss Northern Delta-Mendota Region Management Committee transition following JPA adoption

Ms. Layne covered this topic under action item 6.

- b. JPA schedule and status update

Ms. Layne stated that Madera County took action to approve the JPA on January 6, 2026, and that Oro Loma GSA is pending signature.

## **10. GSP Implementation Updates**

- a. Update on Monitoring

Ms. Dumas (Woodard & Curran) stated that all November monitoring data was received and uploaded into the Data Management System, with no exceedances in the region. She stated there are several new Representative Monitoring Wells in the area that need to be evaluated for setting appropriate Sustainable Management Criteria (SMC).

- b. Update on Annual Report Development

Ms. Dumas stated that Provost & Pritchard are incorporating edits into the water surface elevation point maps and is developing contouring maps which will be distributed for GSA review before the draft annual report is distributed. She stated that the goal is to have the draft annual report to GSAs by February 20, 2026.

Additionally, Ms. Dumas stated that EKI is working to provide interconnected surface water (ISW) SMC analysis and change in storage calculations by the end of January.

Member Hansen confirmed that W&C will receive the non-PRP information from Del Puerto by Monday, January 12, 2026.

- c. Update on Pumping Reduction Plan and GSP Implementation Tracking and Exceedance Reporting

Anona Dutton (EKI) confirmed that they are actively extending the ISW model, and iterated that they are looking to expand PRP access to all GSAs, which will be considered for action at the Coordination Committee.

## **11. Program Management Report**

- a. Review of Previous Meeting Action Items

Ms. Palys reminded GSA representatives to submit requested information to Woodard & Curran as soon as possible to help move the draft of the annual report forward.

- b. Schedule of Key Milestones

Ms. Palys asked if there were any questions regarding the schedule of milestones. There were no comments or questions.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

## **12. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation**

*The Committee will meet in closed session to confer with legal counsel on significant exposure to anticipated litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: (0 cases)*

The Northern Committee did not enter closed session.

### **OPEN SESSION**

## **13. Report from Closed Session**

The Northern Committee did not enter closed session.

## **14. Next Steps**

Ms. Palys iterated that GSA representatives should respond to W&C requests for information and should provide a timeline by which they can reasonably respond to the request. She stated she will email the group with additional action items, including sending out the Special Projects Agreement for a final round of feedback and comments.

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

Member Hansen stated that the meeting minutes from the December meeting stated that the Committee would consider approval of the Special Projects Agreement. No changes to the minutes are required.

#### **16. Next Meeting**

Member Lucchesi announced the next meeting will take place on February 4, 2026.

#### **17. Adjourn**

Member Lucchesi adjourned the meeting at 2:08 p.m.

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**Attachment 2**

**SAN LUIS & DELTA-MENDOTA WATER AUTHORITY  
MARCH 1, 2025 - FEBRUARY 28, 2026  
SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT SERVICES AGREEMENT  
ACTIVITY AGREEMENTS BUDGET TO ACTUAL  
NORTHERN DELTA-MENDOTA REGION (FUND 64)  
Report Period 3/1/25 - 12/31/25**

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	Annual Budget	Paid/ Expense	Amount Remaining	% of Amt Remaining	Expenses Through
<b><u>Legal:</u></b>					
Baker Manock & Jensen	\$ 35,000	\$ 10,401	\$ 24,599	70%	12/2/25
<b><u>Other Professional Services:</u></b>					
Contracts	\$ 363,028	\$ 145,137	\$ 217,891	60%	12/31/25
<b><u>Other:</u></b>					
Executive Director	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 500	100%	
General Counsel	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500	100%	
Water Policy Director	\$ 20,000	\$ 7,861	\$ 12,139	61%	12/12/25
In-House Staff	\$ 2,500	\$ 1,566	\$ 934	37%	12/31/25
Hydrotech 3	\$ 24,423	\$ 13,815	\$ 10,608	43%	12/12/25
Conferences & Training	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000	100%	
Travel/Mileage	\$ 2,000	\$ 73	\$ 1,927	96%	5/7/25
Group Meetings	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000	100%	
Telephone	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 500	100%	
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 451,451</b>	<b>\$ 178,853</b>	<b>\$ 272,598</b>	<b>60%</b>	

Attachment 3

**SAN LUIS & DELTA-MENDOTA WATER AUTHORITY**  
**MARCH 1, 2025 - FEBRUARY 28, 2026**  
**SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT SERVICES AGREEMENT**  
**ACTIVITY AGREEMENTS BUDGET TO ACTUAL**  
**NORTHERN DELTA-MENDOTA REGION (FUND 64)**  
 Report Period 3/1/25 - 1/31/26

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	Annual Budget	Paid/ Expense	Amount Remaining	% of Amt Remaining	Expenses Through
<b><u>Legal:</u></b>					
Baker Manock & Jensen	\$ 35,000	\$ 12,172	\$ 22,829	65%	12/31/25
<b><u>Other Professional Services:</u></b>					
Contracts	\$ 363,028	\$ 145,137	\$ 217,891	60%	12/31/25
<b><u>Other:</u></b>					
Executive Director	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 500	100%	
General Counsel	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500	100%	
Water Policy Director	\$ 20,000	\$ 7,415	\$ 12,585	63%	12/12/25
In-House Staff	\$ 2,500	\$ 1,730	\$ 770	31%	1/31/26
Hydrotech 3	\$ 24,423	\$ 14,482	\$ 9,941	41%	1/31/26
Conferences & Training	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000	100%	
Travel/Mileage	\$ 2,000	\$ 73	\$ 1,927	96%	5/31/25
Group Meetings	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000	100%	
Telephone	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 500	100%	
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 451,451</b>	<b>\$ 181,008</b>	<b>\$ 270,443</b>	<b>60%</b>	



TO: Northern DM Region Management Committee  
Agenda Item No. 9

FROM: Lauren Layne, Baker Manock & Jensen

DATE: March 4, 2026

SUBJECT: Ratify the Northern DM GSA Group Representative and Alternate to the DM Authority Board of Directors

**Recommendation**

Ratify the Northern DM GSA Group representative and alternate to the DM Authority Board of Directors.

**Discussion**

On February 4, 2026, the DM JPA Board of Directors was sworn into office by legal counsel Lauren Layne. The Board of Directors is composed of the representatives from the seven GSA Groups of the Delta-Mendota Subbasin. The Northern DM GSA Group representatives to the DM Authority Board are Vince Lucchesi (Director) and Christy McKinnon (Alternate).

Staff recommends ratification of the Northern DM GSA Group representatives to the DM Authority Board.



TO: Northern DM Region Management Committee  
Agenda Item No. 10

FROM: Karlee Liddy, Hallmark Group

DATE: March 4, 2026

SUBJECT: Consider Approval of Northern DM Committee Consultant Contracts and Recommend JPA Board Approval

**Recommendation**

Approve consultant contracts subject to legal review and recommend the DM Authority Board approve the consultant contracts with the Northern DM Committee.

**Discussion**

In November 2025, the San Luis Delta-Mendota Water Authority posted a Request for Proposals and received proposals from consultants for Program Management and Technical Support Services.

On January 12, 2026, the DM Coordination Committee ratified the FY27 Budget, and requested a staff report to provide details of the proposals received by SLDMWA. On January 16, 2026, staff provided a report to the budget and contracts ad hoc committee, including amounts and rankings of the proposals.

On February 4, 2026, the Delta-Mendota Subbasin GSAs Joint Powers Authority (DM Authority) Board approved the FY27 Budget and executed consultant contracts to carry out Program Management and Technical Support Services, and to implement the Subbasin GSP in compliance with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA).

On February 9, 2026, the DM Authority Board approved the Northern DM Region Management Committee Budget for Fiscal Year 2027. However, the Northern DM Committee and DM Authority Board need to authorize the consultant contracts, which are listed in Table 1 and included as **Attachment 1 and 2**, respectively for consideration of approval. Please note that these contract amounts match those outlined in the approved Fiscal Year 2027 Budget for the Northern DM Committee.

Attachment No.	Consultant	Scope	Contract Amount
1	Hallmark Group	Program Management and Accounting Support Services (Northern DM)	\$107,482
2	EKI Environment and Water, Inc.	Technical Support Services (Northern DM)	\$80,000

➤ NORTHERN DELTA-MENDOTA REGIONAL  
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT

March 1, 2026



## DOCUMENTS INCLUDED

Exhibit A – Scope of Services

Exhibit B – Rates



## AGREEMENT

HGCPM, Inc. DBA The Hallmark Group ("Consultant") and Northern Delta-Mendota Regional Management Committee ("Client") hereby agree to the following terms in connection with consulting services that Consultant may provide to the Client. This Agreement is effective as of March 1, 2026 (the "Effective Date").

### 1. SERVICES

The Client hereby engages Consultant to perform, and Consultant agrees to perform, such services as Consultant and the Client may from time to time mutually agree. The parties agree that this Agreement shall initially cover the services being rendered by Consultant described in Consultant's Scope of Services attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference. In the event Client wishes the Consultant to undertake specific tasks other than or in furtherance of the consulting services described herein, Client may request Consultant to prepare and submit a detailed task proposal including budget, schedule, scope of services, deliverables and any other requirements of the Client. Subject to the mutual agreement of the parties, such other or further services shall be memorialized in writing and shall become a part of this Agreement. Written memorialization may be in the manner of an amendment to this Agreement, acceptance of Consultant's proposal or a task order, as the parties shall mutually agree is most expedient and effective.

### 2. TERM OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date stated above and shall extend through February 28, 2027 unless earlier terminated by either of the parties pursuant to Article 8, below. The term of this Agreement may be extended by mutual agreement of the parties memorialized in writing.

### 3. BUDGET AND COMPENSATION

Compensation to the Consultant during the initial term of this Agreement shall not exceed the sum of \$107,482.00 which sum may be modified by mutual agreement of the parties memorialized in writing.

Consultant will be compensated for professional consulting services based on the hourly rates set forth on Exhibit B to this Agreement. In addition, Consultant shall be compensated for actual, reasonable, and necessary expenses incurred by Consultant, including travel, lodging, meals, and any taxes, fees or costs imposed upon the Consultant as a result of services rendered.

Invoices shall be submitted to the Client on a monthly basis and shall reference this Agreement, the Task Order Authorization, and completed tasks, as specified in Exhibit A. Client shall make payment within 45 business days of receipt of an approved invoice.

#### **4. RESPONSIBILITIES FOR SERVICES**

Consultant shall perform the services in accordance with the degree of care, diligence, professional skill, practices and judgment that is exercised by recognized professionals in its field of expertise with respect to services of a similar nature, and Consultant shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, and completeness of all services furnished under this Agreement. Any and all tools, materials and instruments required to perform the work shall be furnished by Consultant.

#### **5. CONFIDENTIALITY**

Consultant agrees to keep confidential all information concerning the Client that is furnished by the Client to Consultant in connection with the services hereunder ("Confidential Information"). When required by the Client, Consultant shall require its employees and subcontractors, if any, to enter into appropriate non-disclosure agreements. Without the Client's consent, Consultant will not disclose Confidential Information to any persons other than those of its directors, officers, employees, subcontractors, advisors, or agents who have a need to know such information, or to advisors to the Client. Confidential Information shall not include information that is (i) or becomes publicly available other than as a result of a breach of this Agreement by Consultant, (ii) already known to Consultant, (iii) independently acquired or developed by Consultant without violating any of its obligations under this Agreement, or (iv) required to be disclosed by law or judicial process.

All documents supplied by the Client to Consultant in connection with the services hereunder will, upon written request, be returned by Consultant to the Client or destroyed, provided that Consultant may retain a copy for its records subject to the obligation to maintain such copy confidential in accordance with this Agreement. The Client recognizes and confirms that Consultant will use and rely primarily on Confidential Information and on information available from public sources in performing the services hereunder without having independently verified the same and does not assume responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of the Confidential Information or such other publicly available information.

In the event that Consultant receives a request to disclose all or any part of any Confidential Information under the terms of a valid and effective subpoena or order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction, judicial or administrative agency or by a legislative body or committee, such disclosure by Consultant shall not constitute a violation of this Agreement provided that Consultant (i) promptly notifies the Client of the existence, terms and circumstances surrounding such request, (ii) consults with the Client on the advisability of taking available legal steps to resist or narrow such request, and (iii) if disclosure of such Confidential Information is required or deemed advisable, exercises its best

efforts to obtain an order or other reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded to such portion of the Confidential Information to be disclosed which the Client designates; provided, however, that any expense incurred by Consultant in doing so shall be paid by Client.

#### **6. INDEMNIFICATION**

To the extent of Consultant's negligent errors or omissions or willful misconduct, Consultant agrees to indemnify, defend, and save harmless Client and Client's successors and assigns, and each of their respective officers, directors, agents and employees ("Indemnified Parties"), from any and all claims and losses accruing or resulting to any and all contractors, subcontractors, suppliers laborers and any other person, firm or corporation furnishing or supplying work, services, materials, or supplies in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and from any and all claims and losses accruing or resulting to any person, firm or corporation who may be injured or damaged by Consultant in the performance of this Agreement.

To the extent of Client's negligent errors or omissions or willful misconduct, Client agrees to indemnify, defend, and save harmless Consultant and Consultant's respective officers, directors, agents and employees ("Indemnified Parties"), from any and all claims and losses accruing or resulting to any and all contractors, subcontractors, suppliers laborers and any other person, firm or corporation furnishing or supplying work, services, materials, or supplies in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and from any and all claims and losses accruing or resulting to any person, firm or corporation who may be injured or damaged by Client in the performance of this Agreement.

In no event shall either party to this Agreement be liable for or have the obligation to indemnify the other party for consequential damages.

#### **7. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

Consultant is an independent contractor. Neither Consultant, nor any of its employees, are or shall be deemed to be agents or employees of Client. Consultant has sole authority and responsibility to employ, discharge or otherwise control its employees.

#### **8. TERMINATION**

Either party may terminate services hereunder effective upon written notice to the other. In the event of any termination hereunder, the Client's sole responsibility with respect to professional fees and related expenses shall be to pay those professional fees and related expenses earned or incurred through the effective date of termination including Consultant's fees and costs incurred to conclude its services and deliver its work product to Client.

## **9. ARBITRATION**

Any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or in connection with, or relating to, this Agreement, the proposals submitted to the Client, and/or the services provided by Consultant to the Client, or the breach, termination or validity of this Agreement or such proposals, shall be finally settled by arbitration. The arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association (the “AAA”) in effect at the time of the arbitration, except as such rules may be modified by mutual agreement of the parties. The applicable rules shall be the Commercial Rules in the event of a domestic dispute and the International Rules in the event of an international dispute, and any disagreement as to the applicable rules shall be resolved by the arbitrator appointed as described below. The seat of the arbitration shall be Sacramento, California and the arbitration shall be conducted in English.

The arbitration shall be conducted by one arbitrator. If the parties have not agreed upon an arbitrator within thirty (30) days after the filing of the Request for Arbitration, then either party may request the AAA to appoint the arbitrator. The arbitral award shall be in writing, state the reasons for the award, and be final and binding on the parties. The award may include an award of costs, including reasonable attorneys’ fees and disbursements. Judgment upon the award may be entered by any court having jurisdiction thereof or having jurisdiction over the relevant party or its assets.

To the extent permitted by law, the parties agree that the arbitration shall be kept confidential and that the existence of the proceeding and any element of it (including but not limited to any pleadings, briefs or other documents submitted or exchanged, any testimony or other oral submissions, and any awards) shall not be disclosed beyond the tribunal, the AAA, the parties, their counsel and any person necessary for the conduct of the proceeding, except as may be lawfully required in judicial proceedings relating to the arbitration or otherwise. Either party may, without inconsistency with this Section 9, seek from a court any interim or provisional relief that may be necessary to protect the rights or property of that party, pending the establishment of the arbitral tribunal. The parties hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the State and federal courts located in Sacramento, California.

## **10. INSURANCE**

Consultant represents that it maintains insurance coverage and insurance limits customarily carried by consultants providing services of the type described herein including commercial general liability, automobile liability and workers’ compensation insurance. Consultant will provide Client with proof of insurance upon request.

### **11. FORCE MAJEURE**

Neither party will hold the other responsible for damages or delay caused by acts of God, acts of war, strikes, accidents, or other events beyond the other's control, including but not limited to unavoidable delays that may result from any acts of God, strikes, lockouts, wars, acts of terrorism, riots, acts of governmental authorities, extraordinary weather conditions or other natural catastrophes, epidemic, pandemic, or any other cause beyond the reasonable control or contemplation of either party. Each party will take reasonable steps to mitigate the impact of any force majeure. Client shall adjust the schedule and compensation under this Agreement in agreement with Consultant.

### **12. MISCELLANEOUS**

Neither party may assign its rights or obligations under this Agreement to any person or entity without the written consent of the other party. The provisions of this Agreement are severable. If any provision of this Agreement (or portion thereof) is held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, such provision (or portion thereof) shall be deemed severed from this Agreement, and the balance of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. This Agreement and the proposals constitute the entire agreement between the parties, and there are no prior or contemporaneous oral or written representations, understandings or agreements relating to this subject matter that are not fully expressed herein or therein. This Agreement and the proposals shall (i) be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California without regard to conflicts of law principles, and (ii) inure to the benefit of and be binding on the successors and assigns of the

Client and Consultant. This Agreement shall survive the completion or any termination of the services hereunder. All notices, requests, demands, and other communications to be given under this Agreement and the proposals (other than routine operational communications) will be in writing and will be delivered either by hand, by overnight mail, by fax, or by email. Notices sent by email shall also be sent by hand, overnight mail, or by fax if not acknowledged by the receiving party within two business days. All notices shall be effective on the date received.

NORTHERN DELTA-MENDOTA REGIONAL  
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

HGCPM, INC.

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Signature

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Name:  
Title:  
Date:

**Charles R. Gardner Jr.**  
*President/CEO*  
March 1, 2026

## EXHIBIT A SCOPE OF SERVICES

Hallmark Group will provide general consultation and administration services for Northern Delta-Mendota Regional Management Committee under the task categories detailed below and other matters as may be mutually agreed to be covered under this provision.

Task 1 – JPA and SGMA Program Administration Support	\$49,770
Task 2 – Financial Management	\$37,000
Task 3 – Outreach and Community Engagement	\$15,120
Task 4 – Data Management Systems	\$1,680
Other Direct Costs	\$3,912
Total	\$107,482

The services are expected to be primarily provided in interaction with Northern Delta-Mendota Regional Management Committee Members, consultants and other participants determined by Northern Delta-Mendota Regional Management Committee. Those interactions could be in person, via telephone, email or other form as agreed upon between Northern Delta-Mendota Regional Management Committee and Hallmark Group.

Hallmark Group will provide a monthly invoice which will include billing classifications, hours and rates associated with each task.

Hallmark Group will provide a monthly progress report if requested and, when requested by Northern Delta-Mendota Regional Management Committee, will provide a summary of the key decisions resulting from interactions between Northern Delta-Mendota Regional Management Committee and Hallmark Group. Additional analysis, studies or other reporting will be provided as requested by Northern Delta-Mendota Regional Management Committee and, when appropriate, made the subject of a proposal by Hallmark Group. Costs will be based on the hourly rates listed in Exhibit B and the hours required to complete the effort.

## EXHIBIT B RATES

CLASSIFICATION	RATE
Principal, Strategic Advisor, Director and Program Manager	\$362 /hr
Senior Project Manager	\$285 /hr
Project Controls Manager <i>Jacqueline Harris</i>	\$260 /hr
Senior Project Controls <i>Kaleen Hamrick</i>	\$210 /hr
Project Manager III <i>Taylor Blakslee</i>	\$235 /hr
Project Manager II	\$210 /hr
Project Analyst	\$195 /hr
Project Coordinator II <i>Karlee Liddy</i>	\$185 /hr
Project Controls Coordinator	\$155 /hr
Project Administrator	\$130 /hr

Hourly rates are inclusive of all overhead and administrative expenses. Travel and other incidental expenses, not included in the contract, shall be reimbursed at cost. Mileage expenses shall be reimbursed at the current IRS rate. Upon request, Hallmark Group will provide a cost proposal for additional staff that may be required to support the Northern Delta-Mendota Regional Management Committee. Other costs will be determined upon final scope requirements and approved by Northern Delta-Mendota Regional Management Committee and Hallmark Group.

This rate schedule shall be escalated annually as mutually agreed to by Hallmark Group and the client and will incorporate year-over-year increases per the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Employment Cost Index for Professional and Business Services.



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26 February 2026

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Northern Region Management Committee

Subject: Proposal to Provide Technical and Strategic Support for the Northern Region Management Committee for Water Year 2027 (EKI C50346)

EKI Environment & Water, Inc. (EKI) is pleased to submit this proposal to provide technical support to the Delta-Mendota Subbasin (Basin) Northern Region Management Committee (NDM) related to implementation of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP). The proposed scope of work below is based on the previously submitted proposal dated 21 November 2025 and subsequent communications and discussions with NDM.

## SCOPE OF WORK

### TASK 1 – GSP IMPLEMENTATION

EKI will provide technical and strategic support to NDM related to implementation of the GSP. Services under this task will be performed following the subtask structure outlined below.

**Subtask 1.1. Meeting Support with Committee, Coordination with Regulatory Agencies and Interbasin Agencies:** EKI will prepare for and attend up to twelve (12) virtual meetings with NDM to discuss GSP implementation and relevant work effort.

*Deliverables:* Meeting materials, including meeting agendas, minutes, and presentations.

**Subtask 1.2. Technical support for Projects and Management Actions (PMAs) Implementation:** EKI will provide technical support for evaluation, recommendations, and implementation oversight for up to three (3) PMAs. The level of effort is estimated to be up to eight (8) hours per PMA. Work can include progress tracking of the PMAs.

*Deliverables:* As-needed memoranda, calculations, tables, maps, and results to support technical analysis of evaluation, recommendations, and implementation oversight for PMAs.

**Subtask 1.3. Pumping Reduction Plan (PRP) implementation Support:** EKI will perform regular Dashboard hosting and maintenance, including coordination with Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) on Dashboard access, troubleshooting, refreshing, and feature updates per comments collected through the walkthrough sessions. EKI will also provide regular monthly to quarterly as-needed updates on NDM PRP compliance evaluation, including evaluating investigations and compliance steps taken by the GSAs. EKI will assist the GSAs in addressing PRP triggers and documenting actions on an as-needed basis (assumed 2.5 hours per month of technical support).

*Deliverables:* (1) Updated version of the Dashboard and relevant materials, such as the user guide, if applicable; and (2) as-needed presentations, maps and tables to summarize NDM PRP compliance evaluation.

**Subtask 1.4. Domestic Well Mitigation Program Support:** EKI will provide up to 16 hours of support on administrative, website updates, and technical support for review and assessment of any application for the Domestic Well Mitigation Program.

Deliverables: Updated website content and review and as-needed written comments, maps and tables to summarize well application evaluation.

**Subtask 1.5. Sustainable Management Criteria (SMC) Numeric Compilations and Updates:** EKI will provide up to 32 hours of support to establish and/or update water level SMC for new wells and/or recent wells with insufficient data and preliminary SMCs, and support defining initial or updating water quality SMCs for the constituents of concern (COC) at new or recent wells or existing representative monitoring wells (RMWs) with missing SMCs.

Deliverables: Updated SMC summary tables.

**Subtask 1.6. Representative Monitoring Network (RMN) Assessment:** EKI will provide up to 20 hours of support to coordinate with the GSAs to collect relevant information on RMN updates and conduct RMN density and compliance assessment per the requirements of the GSP and PRP.

Deliverables: Updated RMN summary tables and maps.

**Subtask 1.7. GIS Mapping Maintenance:** Assumed not needed for NDM and undertaken under the Basin-wide support.

Deliverables: N/A.

**Subtask 1.8. BMP and Guidance Document Review:** Assumed not needed for NDM and undertaken under the Basin-wide support.

Deliverables: N/A.

**Subtask 1.9. Project Management:** EKI will perform regular project management activities, including preparing monthly invoices, managing project schedule and budget, and conducting routine and periodic communications with NDM.

Deliverables: (1) Monthly invoices and (2) attendance at monthly planning meetings.

Task 1 Assumptions:

- EKI will attend all meetings via remote web conference (e.g., Zoom or Microsoft Teams) unless specified otherwise.
- Reviews are limited to technical evaluation and advisory services.
- No legal review, representation, or support is assumed under this task and provided under this scope of work.
- Any additional modeling analysis or data assimilation, compilation and transfer in excess of the budget assumed herein, determined required by NDM and consultant to accomplish services included under the task, will be conducted pursuant to an additional scope of work.
- GSAs will be responsible for data collection and will provide data to EKI for review and support as needed and in a timely manner.
- EKI will not be responsible for conducting updates to the Data Management System (DMS). Such services will be conducted by the DMS management consultant in coordination with EKI.

**SCHEDULE**

EKI is ready to begin work on the above scope of work immediately upon authorization to proceed. The services outlined in this task are scheduled for completion by the end of February 2027.

**COMPENSATION**

Compensation for consulting services by EKI will be on a time and expense reimbursement basis in accordance with our current Schedule of Charges, dated [1 January 2026], **Attachment A**. Based on the proposed Scope of Work described above, we propose a budget of **\$80,000** for the performance of Task 1 above, see **Table 1**, which will not be exceeded without additional authorization from the NDM.

**TABLE 1. ESTIMATED BUDGET**

Tasks	Cost Estimate
<b>Task 1 - GSP Implementation</b>	
Subtask 1.1 – Meeting Support with Regulatory Agencies, CC, and Interbasin Agencies	\$19,818
Subtask 1.2 – PMA Implementation Support	\$6,144
Subtask 1.3 – PRP Implementation Support	\$28,440
Subtask 1.4 – Domestic Well Mitigation Program Implementation Support	\$4,711
Subtask 1.5 – SMC Numeric Compilation and Updates	\$9,422
Subtask 1.6 – RMN Network Assessment	\$5,855
Subtask 1.7 – GIS Mapping Maintenance	\$0
Subtask 1.8 – BMP and Guidance Documents Review	\$0
Subtask 1.9 – Project Management	\$5,562
<b>Total (Rounded)</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

All work performed by EKI under this proposal will be pursuant to EKI's Standard Terms and Conditions provided as **Attachment B**.

We are happy to discuss the proposed approach and anticipated level of effort for the proposed SOW in more detail with you and look forward to working with you on this important project. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or wish to discuss this proposal in greater detail.

Very truly yours,

EKI ENVIRONMENT & WATER, INC.



Anona L. Dutton, PG, CHg  
Chief Executive Officer

AUTHORIZATION  
CLIENT

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(Authorized Representative)

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(Date)

Attachments

Attachment A. Schedule of Charges

Attachment B. EKI's Standard Terms and Conditions

**ATTACHMENT A  
EKI 2026 Schedule of Charges**

**SCHEDULE OF CHARGES FOR EKI ENVIRONMENT & WATER, INC.**

**1 January 2026**

<u>Personnel Classification</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
Officer and Chief Engineer-Scientist	366
Principal Engineer-Scientist	353
Supervising I, Engineer-Scientist	343
Supervising II, Engineer-Scientist	329
Senior I, Engineer-Scientist	315
Senior II, Engineer-Scientist	304
Associate I, Engineer-Scientist	291
Associate II, Engineer-Scientist	275
Engineer-Scientist, Grade 1	255
Engineer-Scientist, Grade 2	241
Engineer-Scientist, Grade 3	221
Engineer-Scientist, Grade 4	199
Engineer-Scientist, Grade 5	175
Engineer-Scientist, Grade 6	152
Project Assistant	143
Technician	137
Senior GIS / Database Analyst	180
CADD Operator / GIS Analyst	157
Senior Administrative Assistant	172
Administrative Assistant	136
Secretary	114

**Direct Expenses**

Reimbursement for direct expenses, as listed below, incurred in connection with the work will be at cost plus fifteen percent (15%) for items such as:

- a. Maps, photographs, reproductions, printing, equipment rental, and special supplies related to the work.
- b. Consultants, soils engineers, surveyors, drillers, laboratories, and contractors.
- c. Rented vehicles, local public transportation and taxis, travel, and subsistence.
- d. Special fees, insurance, permits, and licenses applicable to the work.
- e. Outside computer processing, computation, and proprietary programs purchased for the work.

A Communication charge for e-mail access, web conferencing, cellphone calls, messaging and data access, file sharing, local and long distance telephone calls and conferences, facsimile transmittals, standard delivery U.S. postage, and incidental in-house copying will be charged at a rate of 4% of labor charges. Large volume copying of project documents, e.g., bound reports for distribution or project-specific reference files, will be charged as a project expense as described above.

Reimbursement for company-owned automobiles, except trucks and four-wheel drive vehicles, used in connection with the work will be at the rate of sixty cents (\$0.60) per mile. The rate for company-owned trucks and four-wheel drive vehicles will be seventy-five cents (\$0.75) per mile. There will be an additional

charge of thirty dollars (\$30.00) per day for vehicles used for field work. Reimbursement for use of personal vehicles will be at the federally allowed rate plus fifteen percent (15%).

CADD and other specialized software computer time will be charged at twenty dollars (\$20.00) per hour. In-house material and equipment charges will be in accordance with the current rate schedule or special quotation. Excise taxes, if any, will be added as a direct expense.

Rate for professional staff for legal proceedings or as expert witnesses will be at a rate of one and one-half times the Hourly Rates specified above.

The foregoing Schedule of Charges is incorporated into the Agreement for the Services of EKI Environment & Water, Inc. and may be updated annually.

**ATTACHMENT B**

**EKI Environment & Water, Inc.  
TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

CONSULTANT: EKI Environment & Water, Inc.  
CLIENT: Northern Region Management Committee  
Proposal/Agreement Date: 26 February 2026 Proposal/Project Number: EKI C50346

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**1. SCOPE OF SERVICES**

The CLIENT hereby employs CONSULTANT to perform the professional services work (“Services”) specified in this Agreement. The CONSULTANT’s Services will commence on the date of execution of this Agreement and to continue until completion of the Services described herein or termination as described in Article 12. CONSULTANT agrees to furnish the necessary personnel, materials, equipment, and facilities to perform the Services stated in this Agreement or attached thereto. CONSULTANT’s Services shall be performed as expeditiously as is consistent with professional skill and care and the orderly progress of the project.

The CLIENT agrees that CONSULTANT shall be responsible to provide only for the Services expressly specified in this Agreement. Additional Services, which result in an adjustment in CONSULTANT’s schedule for its Services or originally estimated budget or lump sum fee for its Services, may be provided at CLIENT’s request.

All of CONSULTANT’s plans, specifications, tracings, survey notes, writings, reports, documents, designs, instruments of service, computer programs, electronic data deliverables, and other original documents, and any other Services or work products generated electronically or in hardcopy as a result of this Agreement (collectively “Work Product”) are intended for the sole use and benefit only of CLIENT and may not be relied on or used by any other party or entity without the express written consent of CONSULTANT and subject to execution of an agreement between such third party and CONSULTANT in form and content approved by CONSULTANT defining the terms, provisions, and limitations of the use of Work Product.

**2. COMPENSATION**

The CLIENT agrees to pay CONSULTANT’s invoices for the Services specified in this Agreement in accordance with the Schedule of Charges attached to the Agreement, and such payment shall be full compensation for all personnel, materials, equipment, and facilities used in performing the Services.

CONSULTANT will invoice CLIENT at the end of each billing period. Payment in full must be received by CONSULTANT within thirty (30) days of the date of such invoice. Any amounts overdue will incur a service charge of one percent (1%) per month, compounded monthly, beginning thirty (30) days after the invoice date and until full payment is received. Failure of CLIENT to submit full payment of an invoice within thirty (30) days of the invoice date may be considered substantial nonperformance and cause for suspension or termination of Services, at CONSULTANT’s discretion. CONSULTANT, without any liability to CLIENT, may withhold any Services and Work Product pending payment by CLIENT of any outstanding amounts owed.

For Services provided on a time and material basis, the budget may be increased by amendment to complete the Scope of Work. CONSULTANT is not obligated to provide Services in excess of the authorized budget. The Services performed by CONSULTANT shall be deemed approved and accepted by CLIENT as and when invoiced unless CLIENT objects within fifteen (15) days of invoice date by written notice specifically stating in detail which Services CLIENT believes are incomplete or defective, and the invoice amount(s) in dispute. CLIENT shall pay undisputed amounts as specified herein.

3. INSURANCE

CONSULTANT, at its own expense, will maintain in force the following policies of insurance during the period of performance of this Agreement:

- (a) Workers' Compensation at statutory limits and Employer's Liability Insurance with a limit of \$1,000,000.
- (b) Commercial General Liability Insurance with a combined single limit of \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate for bodily injury, including death, and property damage,
- (c) Automobile Liability Insurance with a combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage of \$1,000,000 per accident, and
- (d) Professional Liability Insurance with a limit of \$1,000,000 per claim and in the annual aggregate per policy year.

If requested by CLIENT, CONSULTANT will furnish CLIENT with satisfactory evidence of the above insurance. CONSULTANT will provide at least thirty (30) days prior written notice to the CLIENT in the event of cancellation of insurance coverage.

If CLIENT retains any construction contractor or subcontractor whose scope of work relates in any way to the Services provided by CONSULTANT, CLIENT shall require each contractor and subcontractor to: (1) defend, indemnify, and hold harmless CLIENT and CONSULTANT from any and all claims, suits, losses, damages, attorney's fees, and costs arising from such contractor or subcontractor's work or services; (2) obtain insurance of types and amounts appropriate for the services and work provided by such contractor or subcontractor, including but not limited to Commercial General Liability, Auto Liability, Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability and Contractor's Pollution Liability; (3) require naming CONSULTANT as an additional insured under Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policies, and (4) require that all contractor's and subcontractor's policies be endorsed to provide a waiver of subrogation in favor of CLIENT and CONSULTANT related in any way to the Services provided by CONSULTANT.

4. STANDARD OF CARE

CONSULTANT agrees that, in connection with its Services to be performed under this Agreement, such services are performed with the care and skill ordinarily exercised by members of the profession practicing under similar conditions at the same time and in the same or a similar locality. CLIENT recognizes that the state of practice, particularly with respect to hazardous waste conditions, is changing and evolving. While CONSULTANT will perform in reasonable accordance with standards in effect at the time its Services are performed, it is recognized that such standards may subsequently change because of improvements in the state of practice. No warranty or guarantee, express or implied, is made or intended by providing any of the Services or by furnishing oral or written reports of the findings made by CONSULTANT.

5. LIMITATION ON LIABILITY

CLIENT agrees that to the fullest extent allowed by law, CLIENT shall limit CONSULTANT's liability to CLIENT, CLIENT's contractors, subcontractors, agents, employees and consultants, and to all other third parties for any or all injuries, claims, losses, expenses or damages whatsoever arising out of or in any way related this Agreement from any cause or causes including but not limited to the negligent acts, errors, or omissions, breach of contract, or breach of warranty by CONSULTANT, its directors, officers, employees, agents, subconsultants, and subcontractors to a maximum of \$100,000. This limitation of liability shall apply to the CLIENT's claims for damages as well as the CLIENT's claims for contribution and indemnity with respect to third party claims. CLIENT shall give written notice to CONSULTANT of any claim of negligent act, error or omission within one (1) year after the completion of the work performed by CONSULTANT. Failure to give notice herein required shall constitute a waiver of said claim by CLIENT.

6. CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES

The CONSULTANT and CLIENT waive consequential damages, including but not limited to loss of use, profits, anticipated profits, and like losses, for claims, disputes or other matters in question arising out of or relating to this Agreement. This mutual waiver is also applicable, without limitation, to all consequential damages due to either party's termination of this Agreement.

7. INDEMNITY

CLIENT understands that, in seeking the professional services of CONSULTANT, CLIENT may be requesting CONSULTANT to undertake uninsurable obligations for CLIENT's benefit involving the presence or potential presence of hazardous, toxic or pollutant substances. Therefore, CLIENT agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless CONSULTANT from any and all claims, suits, losses, attorney fees, costs, and liability for property damage, personal injury including death, consequential, or any other damages from any cause whatsoever, arising out of the CONSULTANT's Services, including but not limited to the presence (or failure to detect the presence), discharge, release or escape of toxic or hazardous materials or contaminants of any kind, and from any and all claims for damages by third parties, excepting only to the extent resulting from the willful misconduct or sole negligence of CONSULTANT in the performance of its Services under this Agreement.

#### 8. SERVICES DURING CONSTRUCTION

Any Services, including testing or construction observation, provided by CONSULTANT, during construction of facilities designed by the CONSULTANT or others, is for the purpose of reviewing the construction contractor's general compliance only with the functional provisions of the construction documents including project specifications and drawings. The CONSULTANT shall not have control over, charge of, or responsibility for the construction means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures, or for safety precautions and programs in connection with any construction contractors' work, nor shall the CONSULTANT be responsible for a contractor's failure to perform the work in accordance with the requirements of the construction documents. The CONSULTANT shall be only responsible for the CONSULTANT's negligent acts or omissions, but shall not have control over or charge of, and shall not be responsible for, acts or omissions of contractors or of any other persons or entities performing portions of the work. CLIENT agrees that in accordance with generally accepted construction practices, the independent construction contractor(s) selected by CLIENT will be required to assume sole and complete responsibility for jobsite conditions during the course of construction of the project, including safety of all persons and property, and that this responsibility shall be continuous and not be limited to normal working hours. CONSULTANT's Services during construction shall not be construed to waive or otherwise relieve any contractor or subcontractor of their contractual obligations.

#### 9. COST ESTIMATES

Any statements of estimated construction costs or future operation and maintenance costs furnished by CONSULTANT represent the CONSULTANT's judgment as a design professional. However, neither CLIENT nor CONSULTANT has control over the fluctuations in construction costs, a contractor's methods of determining bid prices, market and bidding conditions, and other factors. Accordingly, CONSULTANT does not guarantee or warrant that the bids or negotiated prices, or future operation and maintenance costs, will not vary from any estimated costs provided by CONSULTANT or from CLIENT's budget for the project.

#### 10. DATA

Any Work Product stored or reduced to computer tapes, disks, CDs, electronic files or CAD files (collectively "Data") is and shall remain CONSULTANT's property. The transfer of Data to CLIENT or others is not and shall not be deemed a sale. CONSULTANT reserves the right to retain an archival copy of the Data delivered to CLIENT, which shall be referred to and shall be conclusive proof and govern in all disputes over the form or content of the Data furnished to CLIENT. The Data are instruments of service, and as such, CONSULTANT makes no representations or warranties, expressed or implied, of the Data's merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose with respect to its quality, adequacy, completeness or sufficiency as to any results to be or intended to be achieved as to its use.

The Data are furnished "as is". CLIENT acknowledges that anomalies and errors can be introduced into the Data when it is transferred or used in an incompatible computer environment or modified by others. CLIENT acknowledges and solely accepts the risks associated with and/or the responsibility for any damages to hardware, software or computer systems or networks related to any use of the Data.

Use by CLIENT of any Data prepared by CONSULTANT for any purpose or project other than the project subject to this Agreement shall be at CLIENT's sole risk. CLIENT agrees to indemnify and hold CONSULTANT harmless from any claims, suits, damages, liabilities or costs, including attorneys' fees and costs of defense, arising from any reuse or modification of any Data prepared by CONSULTANT without the prior written consent of CONSULTANT.

#### 11. CONFIDENTIALITY

When business or technical information is identified as "confidential" by CLIENT, CONSULTANT shall hold such business or technical information as confidential. CONSULTANT shall not disclose such confidential information without CLIENT's consent except to the extent required for (1) performance of services under this Agreement; (2) compliance with professional standards of conduct for preservation of the public safety, health and welfare; (3) compliance with any law, court order or other governmental directive; or (4) protection of CONSULTANT against claims or liabilities arising from performance of Services under this Agreement. In the event that CONSULTANT is requested to disclose any confidential information under

the above conditions, CONSULTANT will contact CLIENT to provide an opportunity for CLIENT's defense of any confidentiality claim at its expense, including the cost of any required CONSULTANT services at CONSULTANT's then current Schedule of Charges. CONSULTANT's obligation hereunder shall not apply to information in the public domain, previously known by CONSULTANT, or lawfully acquired on a non-confidential basis from others. CLIENT acknowledges that CONSULTANT may provide similar services to other individuals or entities that operate within the same industry as CLIENT. So long as CONSULTANT does not share or make use of any of CLIENT's confidential information in providing such services, nothing in this Agreement shall be interpreted as limiting or prohibiting CONSULTANT from providing such services.

12. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

(a) WITH CAUSE

This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon seven (7) days written notice should the other party fail substantially to perform in accordance with this Agreement through no fault of the party initiating the termination.

(b) WITHOUT CAUSE

This Agreement may be terminated by CLIENT or CONSULTANT upon at least fourteen (14) days written notice to the other party.

(c) TERMINATION ADJUSTMENT PAYMENT

If this Agreement is terminated through no fault of the CONSULTANT, CONSULTANT shall be paid for Services performed and expenses incurred to the termination notice date, including Reimbursable Expenses due, plus any additional direct expenses incurred by CONSULTANT including, but not limited to, cancellation fees or charges imposed by subcontractors ("Termination Expenses"). Termination Expenses, which may not exceed ten percent (10%) of charges incurred to the termination notice date, may be charged to CLIENT to cover such services to orderly close-out the Services and to prepare project files and documentation. CONSULTANT will use reasonable efforts to minimize such Termination Expenses.

13. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

(a) The parties agree that any and all disputes, claims or controversies arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be submitted for mediation to Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Services ("JAMS"), or other third-party mediation service acceptable to the parties. A request for mediation shall be made in writing, delivered to the other party to this Agreement, and filed with JAMS. If a party deems it necessary in order to protect or preserve a legal right, the request for mediation may be made concurrently with the filing of a lawsuit or other binding dispute resolution proceeding but, in such event, mediation shall proceed in advance of the binding dispute resolution proceedings, which shall be stayed pending mediation for a period of 60 days from the date of filing, unless stayed for a longer period by agreement of the parties or court order.

(b) The mediation fees and costs, if any, shall be divided equally among the parties involved. Each party shall bare its own attorney's fees and other costs, except as provided in subparagraph (c) below.

(c) If any party commences a lawsuit or other binding dispute resolution proceeding to which this paragraph applies without previously or concurrently initiating mediation, said party shall not be entitled to recover attorneys' fees even if they would otherwise be available to that party in any such proceeding.

(d) The following matters are excluded from mediation hereunder: (1) injunctive relief; and (2) any unlawful detainer.

14. GENERAL PROVISIONS

(a) APPLICABLE LAW

This Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced according to the laws of the State of California, excepting those provisions of California law that would require the application of the laws of another state or country.

(b) PRECEDENCE OF CONDITIONS

Any terms or conditions incorporated into a purchase order, confirmation, or other similar document issued by CLIENT shall have no force and effect. If there is any conflict between these Terms and Conditions and the Agreement or any other Exhibits, or documents that are attached or make up a part of this Agreement, these Terms and Conditions shall control, in the absence of CONSULTANT's express written agreement to the contrary.

(c) ASSIGNMENT OR SUBCONTRACTING

Neither CLIENT nor CONSULTANT shall assign its interest or any rights in this Agreement without the written consent of the other. CONSULTANT may subcontract any portion of the work to be performed hereunder without such consent.

(d) OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS

All Work Product are instruments of CONSULTANT's Services and shall not be used on other projects without CONSULTANT's prior written consent; however, if used on other projects, such use shall be at CLIENT's sole risk. CONSULTANT's Work Product may not be altered or modified except by CONSULTANT. CONSULTANT shall be deemed the author of the Work Product and shall retain all common law, statutory and other reserved rights, including the copyright, trademark, and patent. The CLIENT may retain copies, including reproducible copies, of these documents for information and reference in connection with the CLIENT's use for this project. Submission or distribution of CONSULTANT's Work Product to meet official regulatory requirements or for similar purposes in connection with this project are not to be construed as publication in derogation of CONSULTANT's reserved rights.

(e) FORCE MAJEURE

Any delay or default in the performance of any obligation of CONSULTANT under this Agreement resulting from any cause(s) beyond CONSULTANT's reasonable control, shall not be deemed a breach of this Agreement. The occurrence of any such event shall suspend the obligations of CONSULTANT as long as performance is delayed or prevented thereby. Upon the resumption of Services, the schedule for performance of CONSULTANT's Services and the fees due hereunder shall be equitably adjusted.

(f) TIME BAR

All legal actions by either party against the other arising out of or in any way connected with this Agreement or the Services to be performed hereunder shall be barred and under no circumstances shall any such legal action be initiated by either party after one year from the date of substantial completion of the Services, unless this Agreement shall be terminated earlier, in which case the date of termination of this Agreement shall be the date on which such period shall commence.

(g) INTERPRETATION

The parties have had an opportunity to review and negotiate the provisions of this Agreement. Notwithstanding any rule to the contrary, no provision of this Agreement shall be interpreted or construed against any party because such party or its legal counsel was the drafter thereof. The headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of the Agreement.

(h) MERGER: WAIVER: SURVIVAL

This Agreement constitutes the entire and integrated agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, and/or agreements, written or oral. This Agreement may not be amended or altered except in a writing signed by both parties. One or more waiver of any term, condition or other provision of this Agreement by either party shall not be construed as a waiver of a subsequent breach of the same or any other provision. Any provision hereof which is legally deemed void or unenforceable shall not void the entire Agreement, and all remaining provisions shall survive and be enforceable.

(i) CLIENT OBLIGATIONS

CLIENT shall furnish full information regarding requirements for the project, including a plan or program that shall set forth CLIENT's objectives, schedule, constraints and criteria, including, as applicable, budget, space requirements, and relationships, flexibility, expandability, special equipment, systems and site requirements. CLIENT will provide access to the project site, obtain all permits, provide all legal services in connection with the project, and provide environmental impact reports or any other reports or filings required of the site owner, unless specifically

included in CONSULTANT's scope of Services. CLIENT shall pay the costs of plan checking and inspection fees, zoning applications fees, soil engineering fees, testing fees, surveying fees, permits, bond premiums, and all other charges not specifically covered by the terms of this Agreement.

CLIENT will provide to CONSULTANT all documents and information regarding the site and the Project that is reasonably necessary for CONSULTANT to provide its Services under this Agreement. CONSULTANT shall be entitled to rely upon the adequacy and accuracy of documents and information provided by CLIENT, CLIENT's other consultants and contractors, and other third-parties (collectively "CLIENT Information") in performing the Services. CONSULTANT assumes no responsibility or liability for the accuracy or completeness of CLIENT Information; however, CONSULTANT will advise CLIENT if it becomes aware of an error or omission in the CLIENT Information. CLIENT Information will remain the property of the CLIENT; however, CONSULTANT may keep a copy of all CLIENT Information for the completion of its records.

(j) THIRD PARTIES

Nothing contained in this Agreement shall create a contractual relationship with or a cause of action in favor of a third party against either the CLIENT or CONSULTANT.

15. UTILITIES AND SUBSURFACE CONFLICTS

Prior to initiation of subsurface investigations, including but not limited to boreholes, probes, trenches, or subsurface sample collection, CLIENT will provide CONSULTANT with available information, drawings, and maps regarding potential underground utilities, other potential subsurface conflicts, and overhead conflicts in the proposed areas of investigation. If CLIENT is not the property owner, CLIENT will contact the property owner and request such information. CONSULTANT will clear the proposed investigation locations for buried utilities by obtaining the services of a utility locating company. CONSULTANT will make reasonable efforts to identify and to avoid damage to disclosed or visually-identified utilities that may exist within the areas of investigation. CONSULTANT, its subconsultants and subcontractors shall have no liability for damages to persons or property, including the cost to repair, which occur during investigative activities performed by CONSULTANT, its subconsultants and subcontractors, and arise out of, or relate to, undisclosed, unknown, or inaccurately specified utilities or other structures.

16. ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

CONSULTANT may use Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology in providing services under this Agreement. AI technology is a rapidly changing field and includes tools provided by third parties that may be pre-trained and/or pretrain with supplementary training by CONSULTANT. CONSULTANT makes efforts to identify and remove CLIENT-identifying data and any bias that is contained in data that is used for supplementary training.

CONSULTANT is aware that the output from AI is not a substitute for human judgement. CONSULTANT's engineers, scientists, and other professional staff will continue to provide professional services, and make decisions based on their experience, knowledge, and analysis, consistent with the Standard of Care.



TO: Northern DM Region Management Committee  
Agenda Item No. 11

FROM: Lauren Layne, Baker Manock & Jensen

DATE: March 4, 2026

SUBJECT: Consider Approval of the Termination of the Activity Agreement with the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority and Authorize the Chairman to Sign the Notice of Termination of Activity Agreement Letter

**Recommendation**

Approve the termination of the activity agreement with SLDMWA and authorize the Chairman to sign the notice to the SLDMWA Board of Directors.

**Discussion**

On February 24, 2017 the Northern DM Regional Management Committee entered into an Activity Agreement with the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority. With the establishment of the Delta-Mendota Subbasin GSAs Joint Powers Authority (DM Authority), the administrative and SGMA implementation services will be performed through the DM Authority and the Activity Agreement with SLDMWA is no longer necessary. The execution of the Northern DM Special Project Agreement by the Northern DM GSAs and the DM Authority (February 28, 2026) effectively terminates the Activity Agreement with SLDMWA. Therefore, as each GSA of the Northern DM Committee is authorized to sign onto the notice letter.

The notice letter to the SLDMWA Board is provided as **Attachment 1** for Committee consideration of approval and signature by the Committee Chairman.



March 5, 2026

**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND U.S. MAIL**

San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority  
Attn: Federico Barajas, Executive Director  
P.O. Box 2157  
Los Banos, CA 93635  
E-Mail: federico.barajas@sldmwa.org

Re: Notice of Termination of Activity Agreement

Dear Executive Director Federico Barajas,

The Northern Delta-Mendota Region Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (“NDM GSAs”) Activity Agreement Participants and SS-MOA Participants to the Northern Delta-Mendota Region Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Services Activity Agreement, as amended (collectively, the “Activity Agreement”), hereby provide formal notice to the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (“SLDMWA”) of their election to terminate participation in the Activity Agreement.

Section 13 of the Activity Agreement provides that the Activity Agreement remains in effect unless amended, rescinded, or terminated by the SLDMWA and the Activity Agreement Participants, with approval of the SS-MOA Participants. Section 7.1(b) further provides that, where approval of the Activity Agreement Participants is required, approval by a majority is sufficient. The NDM GSA Activity Agreement Participants and SS-MOA Participants have each agreed to this termination as part of the adoption of a new special project agreement with the Delta-Mendota Subbasin GSAs Joint Powers Authority for similar services. Attached to this letter are the corresponding Activity Agreement Participants’ and SS-MOA Participants’ signatures evidencing consent to terminate the Activity Agreement.

The NDM GSAs appreciate the SLDMWA’s past service and cooperation in support of SGMA implementation.

Sincerely,

Bobby Pierce, Chair  
Northern Delta-Mendota Region Management  
Committee

cc via email: J. Scott Petersen, SLDMWA Director of Water Policy  
Rebecca Akroyd, SLDMWA General Counsel  
Lauren D. Layne, Baker Manock & Jensen

**ACTIVITY AGREEMENT MEMBERS**

Agency Name: **DEL PUERTO WATER DISTRICT**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Agency Name: **PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Agency Name: **WEST STANISLAUS IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**SS-MOA PARTICIPANT**

Agency Name: **CITY OF PATTERSON**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Agency Name: **OAK FLAT WATER DISTRICT**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Agency Name: **COUNTY OF STANISLAUS**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Agency Name: **COUNTY OF MERCED**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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



TO: Northern DM Region Management Committee  
Agenda Item No. 12

FROM: Karlee Liddy, Hallmark Group

DATE: March 4, 2026

SUBJECT: Review and Consider Approval of the 2026 Meeting Calendar for the Northern Delta-Mendota Region Management Committee

**Recommendation**

Approve the 2026 meeting calendar for the NDM Committee.

**Discussion**

The Northern DM Region Management Committee (NDM Committee) currently meets monthly, on the first Wednesday of each month.

Upon the execution of the Special Project Agreement between the Delta-Mendota Subbasin GSAs Joint Powers Authority (DM Authority) and the NDM Committee GSAs, the NDM Committee may consider meeting on a quarterly basis, rather than monthly. If the Committee chooses to convene on a quarterly basis, the Committee will remain subject to the Brown Act, and will be able to schedule special meetings as needed.

The draft 2026 NDM Committee meeting calendar includes the dates of the current meeting frequency, along with recommended quarterly dates, which are also listed below and were selected to avoid scheduling conflicts with other basin meetings facilitated by the Hallmark Group.

- June 3, 2026
- August 5, 2026
- October 7, 2026

The draft 2026 NDM Committee meeting calendar is provided as **Attachment 1** for consideration of approval.

## Northern Delta-Mendota Region Management Committee Meeting Calendar 2026

JPA Board    
  Northern DM    
  Quarterly    
  Holiday

January						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

February						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

March						
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29	30	31				

April						
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

May						
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

June						
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

July						
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August						
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30	31					

September						
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October						
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November						
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29	30					

December						
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27	28	29	30	31		



TO: Northern DM Region Management Committee  
Agenda Item No. 15

FROM: Anona Dutton, EKI

DATE: March 4, 2026

SUBJECT: GSP Implementation Updates

**Recommendation**

None; Information only.

**a. Update on Pumping Reduction Plan and GSP Implementation Tracking and Exceedance Reporting**

An update on the PRP and GSP implementation tracking and exceedance reporting is provided as **Attachment 1**. As required by the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), the Delta-Mendota Subbasin GSAs are responsible for measuring, monitoring, and reporting groundwater level and quality data on a quarterly and biannual basis, respectively. The target months for monitoring are below:

Groundwater Level Monitoring	Groundwater Quality Monitoring
February	February
May	--
August	August
November	*Constituents: arsenic; nitrate; 1,2,3-TCP; gross alpha radioactivity; TDS; and hexavalent chromium.

GSAs are required to collect at least one measurement/sample during each target month at each representative monitoring site. Please provide your February monitoring data by **Friday, March 13, 2026**.

EKI has developed visual maps that represent the Q1 measurement status and exceedance status of the Northern DM GSA wells in the upper and lower aquifer, which are provided as **Attachment 2** and **Attachment 3**, respectively.

*For discussion purposes only*



# NORTHERN DELTA MENDOTA REGION MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

4 MARCH 2026

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# TECH AD-HOC MEETING SUMMARY

# MEETING ATTENDANCE

- Hallmark – Taylor
- EKI – Anona, Amir, Susan
- Committee members
  - Jim Stillwell
  - LSCE (Will, Andrew)
  - P&P (Joe, Rick, Ethan)
  - John Wiersma
  - Jarrett Martin
  - Adam Scheuber
  - W&C (Natalie, Leslie)

# MODEL CALIBRATION

- Tech ad-hoc committee met on 26 Feb 2026 to discuss whether to proceed with model calibration in 2026
- Approximately half support proceeding this year
- Approximately half support delaying one year to collect more data\*

## Drivers for Calibration

GSP commitment to refine and calibrate model

PRP compliance tied to “subsidence caused by basin”

Need to evaluate ISW depletion and MT attribution

Overestimation of subsidence and storage loss in current model

Large portion of Basin under PRP subsidence hotspot trigger

Almost all other basins in the southern central valley have calibrated model

**\*The only data that would materially change the calibration is the well location, construction and metering information that can be used to help improve the representation of aquifer-specific pumping.**

# MODEL CALIBRATION

- Core decision: The question is not whether to calibrate the model, but whether to proceed in 2026 or defer to 2027.
- Option 1 - Calibrate Now (2026)
  - Improves model defensibility for WY 2026 Annual Report.
  - Addresses attribution questions sooner at the GSA-level, supports overdraft mitigation and PRP implementation
  - Reduces subsidence overestimation
  - An additional year of GWL data is unlikely to materially improve subsidence calibration performance
  - Future data can be incorporated through incremental updates during Annual Report extensions.
- Option 2 - Delay one year (2027)
  - **Requires firm commitment from ALL GSAs to provide complete, high-quality data within the year (Detailed well registration, pumping, and surface water delivery data) to meaningfully improve the model’s estimation of aquifer-specific pumping relative to Option 1.**
  - Provides an additional year of water level data as validation period.
  - Extends uncertainty and maintains the current model limitations and overestimation of subsidence.
  - May prompt additional DWR / third party inquiries and related discussions.



# GSA REPORTING AND DATA QUALITY

- Pumping reported to DMS and included in Annual Reports in recent years and WY 2025 is likely underestimated
- Consistent reporting is required for effective and defensible implementation of GSP and PRP
- Tech ad-hoc recommendation: Develop a GSA-level pumping estimate for the past five years using a simplified land-surface budget and establish guidelines on how pumping data needs to be estimated and reported going forward
  - **PRP required well registration and metering to be implemented by Jan 2026.**

Water Year	GSA-Provided Pumping Data to EKI (AF)	Annual Report Pumping (AF)	Commonly Used Assumptions' Pumping (AF)	Modeled Pumping (AF)
2021	--	562,300	806,794	605,493
2022	--	563,900	651,174	605,769
2023	154,470	231,300	551,249	477,981
2024	134,925	278,400	798,709	472,278
2025	214,672	308,381*	638,819	507,689


 \* From DMS entries  
 \*\* Model ET is used instead of missing OpenET.

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# GSP/PRP IMPLEMENTATION TRACKING

# PRP REMINDER #1: FUTURE DEADLINES

## ■ Component #1: Monitoring & Reporting

- Well registration and Well Metering deadline is January 2026 → *Needs to be tracked and submitted to Dashboard and be included in the Annual Report*
- Need to replace composite or production wells used as RMWs by 2030.

## ■ Component #2: Overdraft Reduction

- Zones are required to reduce pumping by the totals provided as part of the PRP → *GSA's need to track this efforts. GSA reported total pumping amount should be checked against high-level water budget*
- Baseline for comparison used to calculate the overdraft reduction was the projected average annual pumping under CC-2030 scenario.
- GSA's committed to achieving the reduction through a uniform 20% of the reduction cut.
  - EKI will provide a discussion item in April on reduction approach.

## ■ Components #3 & #4: SMC Update for RMW-WQ and Revision by 2025 Annual Report

Projected Baseline Pumping with P/MA's

	Upper Aquifer (AFY)	Lower Aquifer (AFY)
Zone 1	-93,120	-18,947
Zone 2	-152,995	-20,609
Zone 3	-29,650	-59,242
Zone 4	-33,901	-114,501
<b>Basin</b>	<b>-309,666</b>	<b>-213,299</b>

Required Reduction for Overdraft Mitigation

	Upper Aquifer Reduction (AFY)	Lower Aquifer Reduction (AFY)
Zone 1	2,798	2,886
Zone 2	4,619	3,139
Zone 3	803	9,023
Zone 4	1,303	17,440
<b>Basin</b>	<b>9,523</b>	<b>32,487</b>

## PRP REMINDER #2: GWL MONITORING

- Seasonal high sampling is approaching
- No RMW-WL on watch list currently (Well done Northern Group!)

## PRP REMINDER #3: WQ MONITORING

- Seasonal high sampling is approaching
- Watchlist wells that triggered investigation last Fall should be monitored closely

GSA	DMS ID	COC	Inv. Deadline	Action
DM-II GSA	01-002	TDS	9/19/2025	Investigation Done and Not Enough Samples to Establish Correlation. Recommend more frequent Monitoring.
DM-II GSA	01-004	Nitrate	9/19/2025	Investigation Done and Not Enough Samples to Establish Correlation. Recommend more frequent Monitoring.
City of Patterson GSA	02-002	æBŁ	9/19/2025	Investigation Done and PRP Not Required: Statistical Correlation Cannot Be Established between GWL and GWQ.

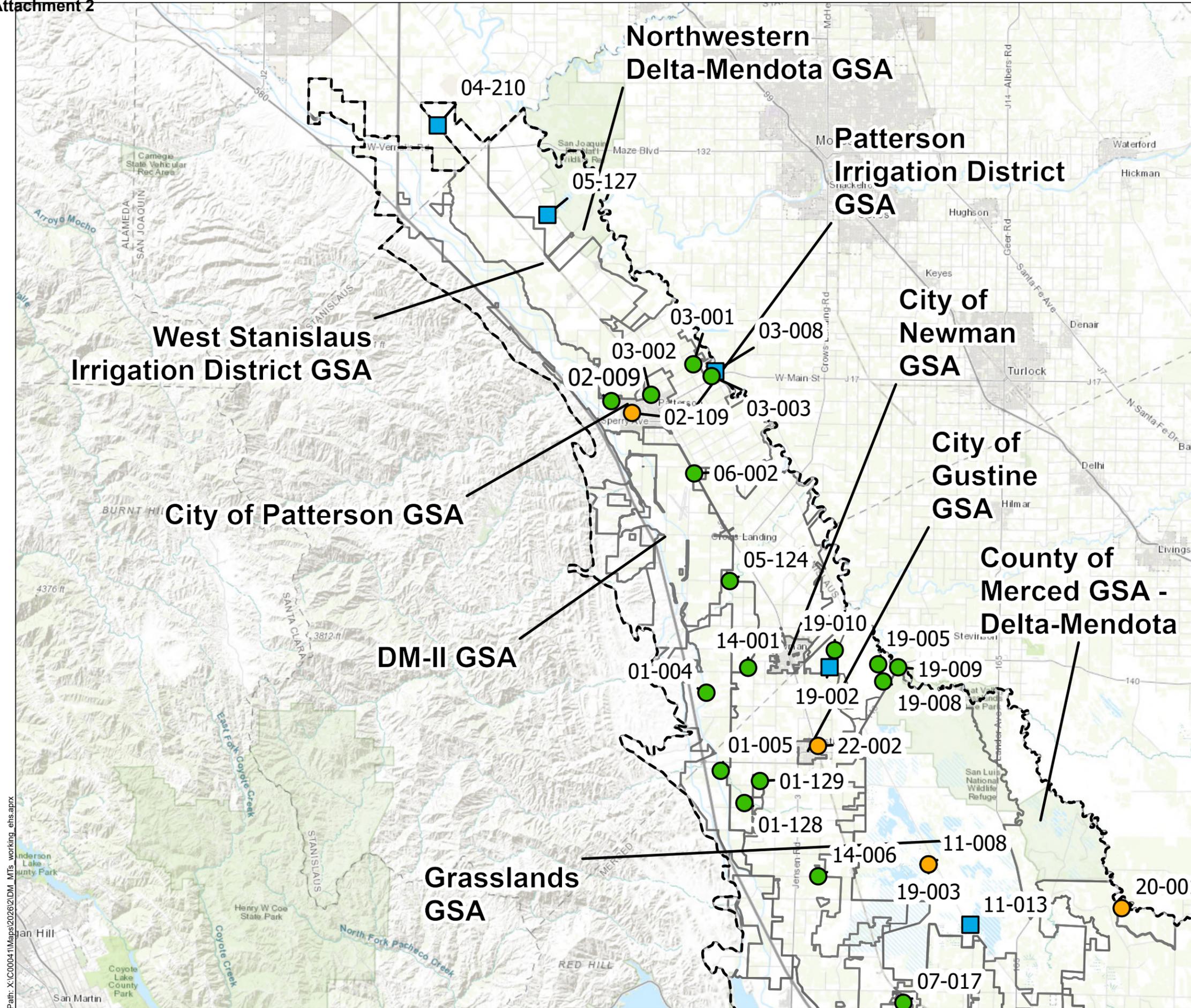
# WQ SMC DEVELOPMENT

- Due to lack of samples, SMC were not set for most RMW-WQs for 1,2,3-TCP, gross alpha, chrome VI, and arsenic during GSP development
- Preliminary SMCs were proposed to be set after the first year of sampling

DMS ID	Local ID	Aquifer	Minimum Threshold					
			Gross Alpha (pCi/L)	Arsenic (ug/L)	Cr6 (ug/L)	Nitrate (mg/L)	1,2,3-TCP (ug/L)	TDS (mg/L)
01-004	MC10-2	Upper	15.0	10.0	10.0	12.4*	0.005	1000.0
01-128	Merc_9	Upper	15.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	0.005	1000.0
01-129	Merc_11	Upper	15.0	10.0	10.0	11.8**	0.005	1000.0
02-009	Keystone well	Upper	TBD	TBD	TBD	10.0	TBD	1000.0
03-001	MW-2	Upper	24.08**	10.0	27.2**	11.1**	0.005	1,530**
03-007	MW-1	Upper	15.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	0.005	1000.0
05-124		Upper	15.0	10.0	10.6**	12.0**	0.005	1000.0
06-002	P259-3	Upper	15.0	10.0	10.0	14.0*	0.005	1000.0
01-001	MP030.43R	Lower	15.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	0.005	1000.0
01-002	MP033.71L	Lower	15.0	10.0	19.7**	10.0	0.005	1000.0
01-003	MP045.78R	Lower	15.0	10.0	14.6**	10.0	0.005	1,400**
01-006	91	Lower	15.0	10.0	10.0	15.0**	0.005	1000.0
01-007	MP021.12L	Lower	15.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	0.005	1000.0
01-008	MP051.66L	Lower	15.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	0.005	1000.0
02-109	Floragold Well	Lower	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
04-008	ARRA 28	Lower	15.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	0.005	1000.0
06-001	P259-1	Lower	15.0	10.0	18.9**	12.9*	0.005	1000.0
05-128		Lower	15.0	10.0	17**	10.0	0.005	1000.0
03-010	ISW-2-175	Upper	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
04-212	ARRA 120	Lower	15.0	10.0	10.12**	12.2**	0.005	1000.0

\* indicates that the MT was set as the baseline condition based on the last year in the 2010-2014 period with data.

\*\* indicates that the MT was set as the baseline condition based on the first year with data after 2014.



**Legend**

- Delta-Mendota Subbasin
- Groundwater Sustainability Agencies

**Representative Monitoring Wells**

- No Exceedance
- MT Exceedance
- No Fall 2025 Sample
- No SMC
- Planned RMW

**Abbreviations**

GSA = Groundwater Sustainability Agency  
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**Sources**

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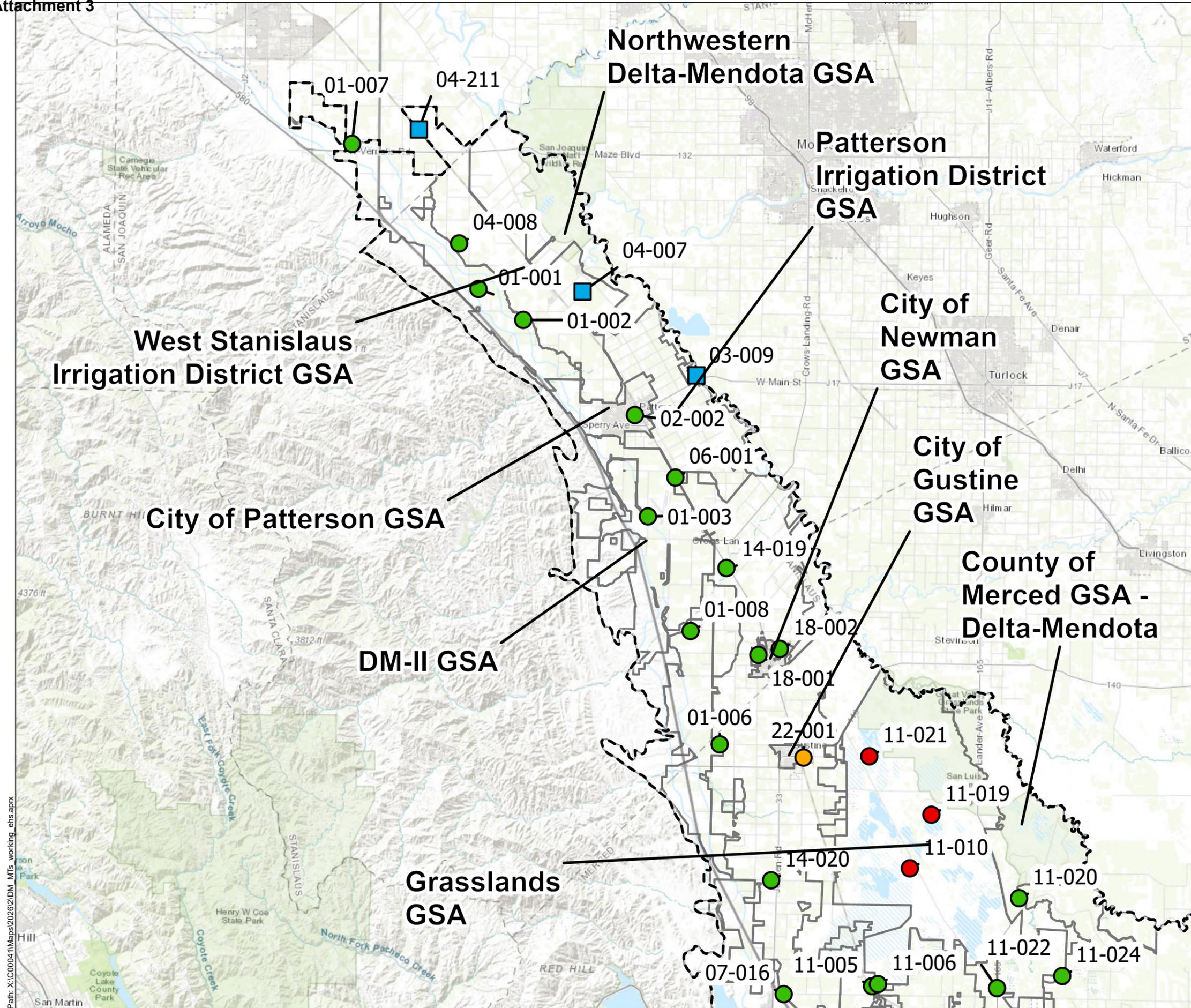


**Delta-Mendota RMW MT Exceedances  
Upper Aquifer  
Fall 2025**

Delta-Mendota Subbasin  
February 2026  
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**Figure 1**

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**Delta-Mendota RMW MT Exceedances  
 Lower Aquifer  
 Fall 2025**



Delta-Mendota Subbasin  
 February 2026  
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