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PUBLIC MEETINGS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN – PUBLIC DRAFT REVIEW

The Colusa Groundwater Authority (CGA) and Glenn Groundwater Authority (GGA) (Agencies) will host a virtual meeting on October 13 and an in-person meeting on October 15 to discuss the Agencies' release of the Public Draft Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) for the Colusa Subbasin. The content of these meetings will be the same.

Against the backdrop of the last and current critical drought, the California Legislature passed and has required implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). Under SGMA, the Agencies are required to prepare a GSP for the Colusa Subbasin. The GSP defines what the Agencies will do for the next 20 years to protect the subbasins and ensure groundwater is sustainable. The Agencies have opted to prepare a single, joint GSP for the entire Colusa Subbasin. Prior public events have provided stakeholders the opportunity to learn about and comment on SGMA and the draft GSP chapters. These upcoming meetings will engage the public about the entire draft GSP. Agency representatives will provide an overview of the information in each chapter of the GSP, will outline methods for the public to provide focused input and will provide the public time to ask questions about GSP content.

Colusa County Supervisor and CGA Board Chair Denise Carter said "We're at the culmination of a long process and on the cusp of implementing projects that will better monitor and enhance our groundwater. These meetings and the public comment period are a critical opportunity for stakeholders to give their input to the CGA and GGA before we approve the GSP and submit it to the State. I encourage every affected groundwater user in the subbasin to attend one of these meetings, review the plan and give us your feedback."

Similarly, City of Willows Vice Mayor and GGA Vice Chair Gary Hansen said "As the CGA and GGA Chairpersons noted in their recent Op-Ed, our aquifers provide an essential safety net for our water availability but that safety net is only as good as the tools we create to support it. Our GSP does that and we need public input to confirm if we've done it the right way".

MEETING INFORMATION

Virtual Meeting

October 13, 2021

1:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://csus.zoom.us/j/82287631584?pwd=eW1lNGF6aThSOUVwQ3M2e>

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In-Person Meeting

October 15, 2021

5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

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Maxwell, CA