## September 20, 2018 Solano Subbasin GSA Collaborative

1-3pm | SCWA Office | 810 Vaca Valley Parkway, Suite 203 | Vacaville, Coordinating Agreement 95688



## In attendance

- 1. Chris Lee Solano GSA
- 2. Roland Sanford Solano County Water Agency
- 3. Cary Keaten Solano Irrigation District
- 4. Justen Cole City of Vacaville
- 5. Bonnie Robison City of Vacaville
- 6. Erik Ringelberg The Freshwater Trust
- 7. Vicki Kretsinger -Luhdorff and Scalmanini (LSCE)
- 8. Genevieve Taylor Ag Innovations
- 9. Suzannah Sosman Ag Innovations
- 10. Joseph McIntyre Ag Innovations

## Agenda

- 1. Introductions-North Delta GSA
- 2. BBM Update
- 3. Communications Update
- 4. GSA GSP Workshops
- 5. Organizational Structure
  - a. Roles of Consulting Firms in GSP Development
- 6. Prop 1 Grant Deliverables
  - a. GSP Draft Table of Contents
- 7. Report out on Team Discussion Interviews
- 8. GSP Development MOU/Implementation MOU
  - a. Continued Discussion
    - b. Charter
    - c. Governance
    - d. Delta-Mendota Example
- 9. Next Meeting-October 18<sup>th</sup> 1:00-3:00

## Meeting Highlights

- 1. Erik Ringelberg, Director of California Operations for The Freshwater Trust, offered an introduction to the history and current status of the Northern Delta GSA, which is comprised of 17 independent Reclamation District GSAs that formed a JPA. The Freshwater Trust holds multiple roles within the GSP creation process including representing the Northern Delta GSA, providing technical support to the Solano GSA, and working with disadvantaged communities in the Delta under a DWR awarded grant.
  - a. The Northern Delta GSA has submitted an initial Basin Boundary Modification notification proposing a new Delta Subbasin. If the boundary modification is approved the Northern Delta GSA would leave the Solano Subbasin GSA Collaborative and create their own GSP under the new Delta Subbasin. They would continue as a partner.
- 2. The group heard updates and offered input on SGMA outreach communications from Ag Innovations; a draft Solano GSP organizational structure chart, and Proposition 1 grant deliverables from Chris Lee; and a draft GSP Table of Contents from Vicki Kretsinger of Luhdorff and Scalmanini. Ag Innovations is receiving final input on the first email outreach post for the Solano SGMA email list and hopes to send it out in October.

- 3. The project team will be presenting an outline of the GSP development process over the next 4+ years to the Solano GSA and SID GSA boards in October. Luhdorff and Scalmanini and Ag Innovations will both speak about their role and the process from their perspectives.
- 4. The group discussed the creation of a governance document whether it be a charter, or Implementation MOU. The group identified key areas that a governance document would support, including procedures for moving forward with decision-making when faced with challenges, and entry and exit processes for collaborative members if needed. The group has not currently decided to create a governance document addressing these issues. It became clear that further individual and group reflection and discussion is needed before the group can come to a decision.
- 5. Ag Innovations presented results from GSA Collaborative member interviews. The group discussed hopes for the plan, concerns around the plan and the collaboration process and best ways of working together to achieve a Groundwater Sustainability Plan.
- 6. The group discussed confidentiality within the group and the GSP process. The group wanted to encourage transparency but also allow for a deliberative process that is internal to the group. A guideline for the group will be the following: Deliberative processes should be not attributed. We encourage transparency together, and we can all ask for confidentiality if needed. GSA Collaborative members will share meeting summaries with their boards and will answer questions as needed.