

# Solano Subbasin GSA Collaborative Meeting

January 19, 2023 | 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. | Via Zoom

## **Participants**

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## **AGENDA**

- 1. GSA Updates
- 2. GSP Implementation
  - a. Grant Funding Including Recharge Opportunities
  - b. Data Request for Annual Report
  - c. Well Permitting and Drought Related Orders
- 3. Stakeholder Engagement
  - a. Upcoming Public Meetings
  - b. Outreach Priorities for First Half of 2023
- 4. Forecast GSA Roundtable Discussion for February 7th Meeting
- 5. Next Meeting-February 16 th 1:00-3:00



#### **MEETING NOTES**

#### **GSA Updates**

- Northern Delta: There have been no major floods in our subbasin.
- Sacramento County: None
- Solano Irrigation District: None
- Solano: Lake Berryessa levels have risen significantly in the last 2 weeks. Solano County is not out of the drought, but the rain is helpful.
- Vacaville: None

#### **GSP** Implementation

#### **Grant Funding**

- Sacramento County Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) continues to work with HDR on a fee study for the region.
- The Department of Water Resources (DWR) received over 80 applications for the Proposition 68 grant application. Given that the combined request was over \$701 million and DWR has ~ \$230 million allocated, there will be disappointments for agencies that applied.
- The Solano Subbasin grant proposal was submitted on time. The Collaborative is working with others on grant opportunities, such as the California Resource Conservation District's proposal for a block grant.

#### **Data Request for Annual Report**

 Luhdorff & Scalmanini Engineering (LSCE) is processing data for the Groundwater Sustainability Annual Report. The Annual Report is due April 1st and a draft will be ready for the Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSA) to review by March 1st. LSCE is waiting to receive data from a few more agencies.

#### Well Permitting and Drought Related Orders

- Solano County is processing well permit applications and providing information to landowners.
- There is uncertainty around when the Governor's Executive Order will stop.

## Stakeholder Engagement

#### **Upcoming Public Meetings**

- Dixon Resource Conservation District is hosting a continuing education session with a focus on groundwater for irrigated land program managers on January 24, 9am-12pm.
- Sustainable Conservation is hosting a workshop on groundwater recharge on February 2nd.
- The Sacramento Valley Water Quality Coalition is collecting publicly available data to learn more about the water quality in the wells across the Solano Subbasin.

 Meeting participants discussed the idea of hosting a "Virtual Town Hall to share and engage the public in discussion about the state of the Solano Subbasin. It might be timed in May, following the submission of the Groundwater Sustainability Annual Report. Solano GSA suggests reaching out to all the GSAs to learn about the topics that are important to their stakeholders, which could inform the virtual town hall.

#### Outreach Priorities for First Half of 2023

 Northern Delta GSA suggests creating a short reference about effective Tribal consultation for the Reclamation Districts and GSAs to share more about consultation preferences and best practices.

### Forecast GSA Discussions for February Meetings

The next GSA Roundtable meeting is February 7th; the next GSA Collaborative meeting is on February 16th from 1:00 - 3:00 pm.