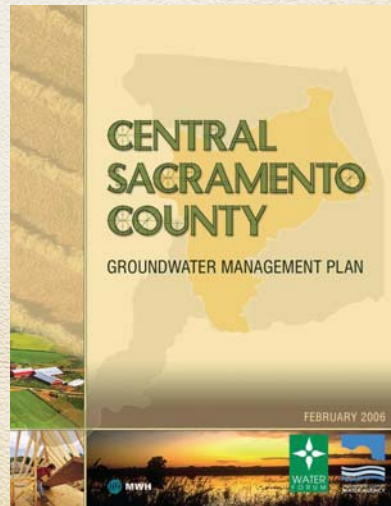


SCGA Background

- Water Forum Agreement – January 2000
- Central Sacramento County Groundwater Forum – February 2002
- 40 stakeholder representatives from multiple areas of interest (agricultural, business, water purveyors, residential, environmental, self-supplied)
- Leadership – Water Forum Advisory Committee

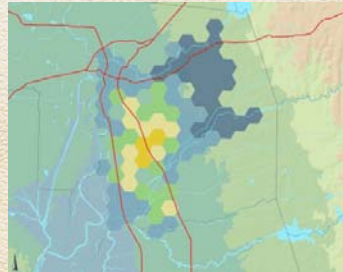
SCGA Management Plan

- SB 1938 compliant groundwater management plan
- A tool to help ensure long-term sustainability of groundwater in the Central Basin



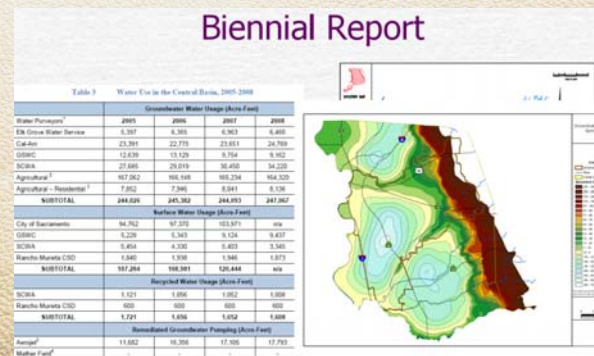
On-going Implementation – Threshold Monitoring & Mapping

- Program identified as BMO 2 in GMP
 - General criteria spelled out in Appendix B
- Program contains:
 - Monitoring actions
 - Trigger points
 - Recommended actions



On-going Implementation - CASGEM Compliance

- Data Collection Efforts
- HydroDMS – Graphic Features
 - Reporting Tools



SGMA

- Signed into law by Governor Brown September 16, 2014
- California Department of Water Resources (DWR) to Implement
- A law with “teeth” to ensure compliance by 2022

SGMA Elements

- Basin Boundary
- Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA)
- GSA Powers and Authorities
- Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP)
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- GSA Enforcement Powers
- State Evaluation and Assessment

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Basin Boundary Issues

- “Unless other boundaries are established pursuant to this chapter, a basin’s boundaries shall be as identified in Bulletin 118” (§ 10722).
- DWR believes Bulletin 118 boundaries are reasonable and have a long history in their definition and reporting in the State Water Plan
- DWR to post initial draft of basin boundary emergency regulations in mid July
- Basin boundary modification requests accepted for 90 days after January 1, 2016

Challenges Associated with a Boundary Adjustment

- Broad information requirements -
 - Information demonstrating adjusted basin can be the subject of sustainable groundwater management
 - Technical information regarding the boundaries of, and conditions in, the proposed adjusted basin
 - Information demonstrating consultation with interested local agencies and public water systems before filing the proposal
 - Other information deemed necessary to justify adjustment
- Specific requirements to be delineated through emergency regulation process
- *Significant resources could be expended in attempting to justify a basin boundary other than the one described in Bulletin 118*

Updated Boundary Regulations

- **Mid-July** Public Draft of DWR's Emergency Update to **Basin Boundary Regulations** may lead to:
 - An opportunity for SCGA to review, understand, and comment
 - A full assessment of pros and cons
 - Time to prepare for when final guidelines are adopted in Late-December 2015

“Roadmap” to Become a GSA

Milestone Activity	DWR	SCGA	2015					2016				
			Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
Regional collaboration on solidifying change in SCGA’s boundary to align with B-118												
DWR Draft Basin Boundary Regulations for Public Comment... SCGA Review and Provide Comments												
List interested parties for public involvement and outreach activities												
DWR adopts regulations to revise B-118 basin boundaries												

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“Roadmap” to Become a GSA

Milestone Activity	DWR	SCGA	2016										
			Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	
Submit request to State for “minor” basin boundary revisions													
Initiate SCGA boundary revisions to align with B-118													
Develop only “needed” Agreements with Adjacent Agencies													
State Grant Solicitation... Prepare and Submit Prop 1 Grant													
Revise JPA, bylaws, etc. to reflect SCGA becoming the basin GSA													

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“Roadmap” to Become a GSA

Milestone Activity	DWR	SCGA	2016															
			Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct						
Draft Groundwater Sustainability Agency Agreement																		
DWR Adopts regulations for evaluating GSPs and coordination agreements and DWR adopts regulations for evaluating alternatives to GSPs																		
Individual member’s boards and councils approve of GSA Agreement, if appropriate																		

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“Roadmap” to Become a GSA

Milestone Activity	DWR	SCGA	2016				2017											
			Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun						
SCGA’s Adoption of Agency Agreement Resolution																		
Develop and Issue “needed” Agreements with Adjacent GSAs																		
Declare formation of GSA by submitting information to DWR																		
Initiate GSP (as GMP Update) According to DWR Guidelines																		

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“Roadmap” to Become a GSA

Milestone Activity	2016		2017									
	DWR	SCGA	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Submit GSA Filing with DWR												
Deadline for Filing GSA with DWR (Water Code 10735.2(a))												★

GSA Completed!



Continue on Road to Completing GSP

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Next 3 Months

- SGMA Committee Formed
 - Bi-weekly meetings
- Recommendations for Board in September:
 - Agree to timeline, resources, and boundaries
 - Initiate discussions on governance and broader stakeholder inclusion in process
- Notifications, Outreach, Stakeholder Identification/Education, etc.

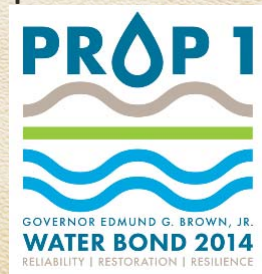
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Recognizing Past Efforts

- Given the high level of stakeholder involvement in the SCGA formation, DWR is being asked to:
 - Consider prior public processes
 - Permit consideration of only those stakeholders not currently engaged
 - Allow for the public forum to occur at SCGA Board Meetings for education and to solicit comments

Grant Funding Opportunities

- Monitor and report on Prop 1 funding opportunities
- Anticipate requesting State support
- Identify GSP funding support



Stakeholder Effort

- Unrepresented Water Districts
 - Fruitridge Vista Water Company
 - Florin County Water Agency
 - Tokay Park
- Cemetery districts
- Private golf courses
- Industrial self-supplied (has been identified in JPA but no one has occupied seat)
- Neighboring Conservation Districts
 - Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District
 - Lower Cosumnes Resource Conservation District



Req'd Consensus

Stakeholder Effort

- Out of Basin Agencies
 - Yolo County
 - City of West Sacramento
 - San Joaquin County
 - SGA
 - Southeast Sacramento County Agricultural Water Authority
- Other

