

**GSPWG MEETING #9  
MEETING SUMMARY  
South American Subbasin (SASb)  
Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP)  
November 12, 2020 (2:00 pm to 5:30 pm)**

**PARTICIPANTS:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Sign in</b>
<b>GSP Working Group</b>			
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**Public Attendees (partial list based on sign-ups on ZOOM call):**

Suzanne Pecci  
 Ronald Pecci  
 William Myers  
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 Lynn Wheat  
 Paul Lindsay  
 Stacie Ann Silva  
 Dave Trask  
 Ian McLeod (CDFW)  
 Lindsay Liebig (Farm Bureau)  
 Mike Grinstead (SCWA)  
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 Justin Gingery  
 Ken Oneto  
 Scott Goulart  
 Greg Jones  
 C Reiner  
 P Kirby  
 Lisa Roberts  
 Nancy Labrada  
 Christopher Jordan  
 Forest Williams  
 Lisa Beutler (Stantec)  
 Rodney Fricke (GEI)  
 Brian Wickes

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- Meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM.
- Roll Call. Announcements were provided by Working Group (WG) members regarding GSA actions. Members of the public attended the meeting, as noted above.

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- Furthered Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) development process through presentations and discussions under three topical areas: Management/Governance, Technical, and Communication and Engagement (C&E), as follows:
  - Management / Governance
    - A presentation was provided highlighting a number of the key decisions that will need to be made during the development of the GSP. The GSPWG will be asked to provide input regarding these decisions, which the Consultant Team will use in crafting the draft GSP chapters. It was requested that alternative governance options for GSP implementation be added to the list of decisions to be made in the GSP.
  - Technical
    - A presentation was provided regarding the baseline assumptions that will be made in the development of historic, current and projected water budgets for the SASb. The Consultant Team asked for additional input from GSPWG members regarding projected water demands and sources of supply. This topic was a continuation of information provided at the prior GSPWG meeting #8 and included a discussion of concerns originally raised during GSPWG meeting #8, including: (a) whether groundwater substitution transfers would be included as a baseline condition, or whether it should be considered to be a scenario to be evaluated in the GSP process; (b) whether the SASb is currently in balance/sustainable; and (c) whether the SASb will be sustainable in the future. Regarding groundwater substitution transfers, it was generally agreed that these transfers would not be considered as part of the current baseline condition and will be assessed during GSP development.
    - A presentation was provided regarding the Monitoring Network for groundwater levels in the basin. GSPWG members were shown the screening process that has been used to determine candidate wells for inclusion in the monitoring network. A preliminary monitoring network was presented and GSPWG members were asked to provide information for some wells in their respective GSAs regarding well depths, perforated intervals and access. Specific requests will be sent to GSPWG members as a follow-up to the meeting. It was noted that additional wells can be added to improve spatial and vertical coverage as an element of GSP implementation. DWR funding may be available to support additional monitoring wells. A request was made to consider monitoring needs to support the estimates of fluxes to and from the Cosumnes River. Questions were also raised regarding whether the GSP would describe ongoing groundwater quality monitoring at the Kiefer Landfill and Aerojet. The Consultant Team advised that this would be summarized in Chapter 2 of the GSP and that the plan would be to leverage this monitoring in GSP implementation. Additional information and discussion regarding proposed monitoring networks will occur in future GSPWG meetings.

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- A presentation was provided regarding considerations in setting SMC for groundwater levels. The presentation provided introductory information regarding an approach to identify and assess the impacts of future groundwater elevation changes on domestic wells in the SASb. More information will be provided on this topic in a future GSPWG meeting.
- Communication & Engagement (C&E)
  - Discussed topics covered and public comments received at the November 5 Public Meeting No. 2. Meeting was a virtual meeting, from 6 pm to 8 pm on November 5. Roughly 50 members of the public attended the meeting.
  - Comments received from the public during the GSPWG meeting included a request to consider formation of an Ag-Res Advisory Committee, a request to consider how other GSAs are handling domestic well protection, a request to consider shallow agricultural wells, a request to monitor trends in addition to average groundwater levels as an element of GSP implementation, and a request to provide a graphical display of conductivity conditions within the CoSANA model.
  - It was noted that efforts were under way to bring Lisa Beutler of Stantec on board to assist with public outreach elements of the C&E Plan.
  - Reminded participants regarding the next GSPWG meeting, to be held on December 11<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 12:30 pm, as a virtual meeting.
- Supporting Materials
  - PowerPoint presentation on Baseline Assumptions for water budget development.
  - PowerPoint presentation on Monitoring Network development for groundwater levels, initial considerations regarding groundwater level SMC and potential approach to identifying and protecting domestic wells in the SASb.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm