

SGMA Update

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CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER
MANAGEMENT OFFICE



Overview

- Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs)
- DWR's Role in GSP Review
- Submittal and Posting GSPs
- Evaluation and Assessment
- Annual Reports
- Additional SGMA Assistance

A Groundwater Sustainability Plan is...

- A single plan -or- multiple plans coordinated pursuant to a coordination agreement...
- Covering the entire basin...
- Developed and implemented by a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA)...
- To achieve the locally-defined sustainability goal.
- *See Chapter 6 of SGMA and the GSP Emergency Regulations*

GSP Content

1. Administrative Information
2. Basin Setting
 - i. Hydrogeologic Conceptual Model
 - ii. Groundwater Conditions
 - iii. Water Budget
3. Sustainable Management Criteria
4. Monitoring Network
5. Projects and Management Actions

Applicability and Timelines

- GSPs are required for all medium- and high-priority groundwater basins, as designated by DWR
- GSPs must be adopted and submitted by:
 - January 31, 2020 for critically-overdrafted basins
 - January 31, 2022 for all other medium- and high-priority basins

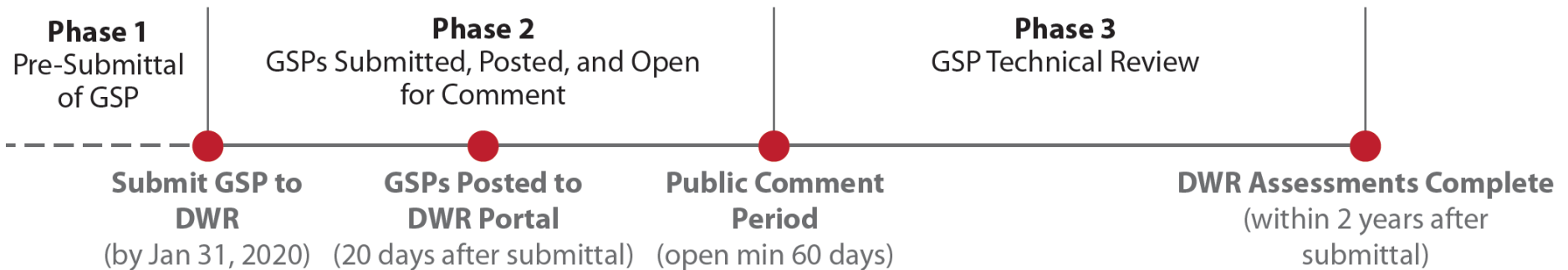
DWR Responsibilities

Chapter 10 of SGMA requires DWR to:

- Adopt regulations for evaluation and implementation of GSPs
- Receive GSPs
- Post GSPs to our website within 20 days and provide a public comment period
- Evaluate GSPs within two years
- Receive and evaluate alternatives
- Perform ongoing review of GSPs (at least every five years)

GSP Submittal and Evaluation Process

GSP Submittal and Evaluation Timeline



Joint DWR and State Water Board Fact Sheet

https://water.ca.gov/-/media/DWR-Website/Web-Pages/Programs/Groundwater-Management/Sustainable-Groundwater-Management/Groundwater-Sustainability-Plans/Files/GSP/SGMO_GSP-Overview_v12_FactSheet-a-y19

Public View of Submitted GSPs

This screenshot is from our test site. Not real submittals.

The screenshot displays the SGMA Portal interface. At the top, the header includes the CA.GOV logo, the text 'Department of Water Resources' and 'SGMA PORTAL', and a 'Sign In' button. Below the header is a navigation menu with links for Home, GSA, GSP (highlighted), Alternatives, Adjudicated Areas, and Basin Modification. The main content area is titled 'All Submitted GSPs' and features a search bar. A table lists five GSP entries with columns for Basin, GSP Local ID, Plan Manager, Coordination Agreement (Y/N), Point of Contact, Date Submitted, Date Posted, End of Public Comment Period, and Action. The first entry, '5-022.12 TULARE LAKE', has a '+ Comments 0' button. At the bottom, it shows 'Showing 1 to 5 of 5 entries' and pagination controls with 'Previous', '1', and 'Next' buttons.

Basin	GSP Local ID	Plan Manager	Coordination Agreement (Y/N)	Point of Contact	Date Submitted	Date Posted	End of Public Comment Period	Action
5-022.12 TULARE LAKE	N/A	Adam Hutchinson	No	N/A	12/05/2019	12/05/2019	02/03/2020	+ Comments 0
5-022.13 TULE	N/A	Ben Gooding	Yes	N/A	12/06/2019			
5-022.18 WHITE WOLF	2	Ray Bennett	No	N/A	01/03/2020			
5-022.18 WHITE WOLF	1	Ben Gooding	Yes	N/A	01/03/2020			
3-004.01 180/400 FOOT AQUIFER	N/A	Ben Gooding	No	N/A	01/07/2020			

Public Comments

The image shows a web interface for public comments. On the left, a header reads "GSP Submittal Comments" and "5-022.12 TULARE LAKE". Below this are "Go Back" and "Add Comment" buttons. A "Comments" section shows a single entry by "Monica Reis from DWR" with a date and time, and an attachment "TestUpload.pdf (144.1kB)". On the right, a "Comment Submission Form" is displayed with fields for Name, Agency, Address, City, Zip, Phone, Email, Website, Subject, and Comments. A reCAPTCHA widget and "Submit" and "Cancel" buttons are at the bottom.

GSP Submittal Comments

5-022.12 TULARE LAKE

[Go Back](#) [Add Comment](#)

Comments

Monica Reis from DWR says (01/07/2020 12:07PM):
Comments included in the attached file. TEST TEST

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[TestUpload.pdf \(144.1kB\)](#)

Showing 1 to 1 of 1 entries

Comment Submission Form

Disclaimer: Comments submitted through this application will be visible to the public and provided to the GSA. Please contact the GSA if you would like to be included on the list of interested parties established by the GSA pursuant to Water Code Section 10723.4

*** Name** **Agency**

Address **City** **Zip**

Phone *** Email**

Website

*** Subject**

*** Comments**

Upload Document
 TestUpload.pdf

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*** Required Fields**

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Annual Reports

- Annual reports are due April 1st each year after a GSP is adopted
- Annual Report Module of the GSP Reporting System - early March 2020
- Includes:
 - Data and figures (e.g., groundwater elevation contour maps, hydrographs, change in storage maps)
 - A written description of progress towards implementation of the GSP

Additional Assistance in 2020

- Increase in Outreach and Engagement Efforts:
 - Educational Workshops
 - GSA Forums
 - Groundwater Summit
- Purpose:
 - Ensure Awareness of DWR and Other State Programs that Support SGMA Implementation
 - Create a Venue for SGMA Practitioners to Exchange Ideas
 - Discuss Nexus to Water Resilience Portfolio and Other Statewide Groundwater Policies

Questions?

- Direct your general SGMA questions to sgmps@water.ca.gov or your Regional Office Points of Contact (POC)
- Direct questions on the GSP Reporting System to GSPSubmittal@water.ca.gov
- Subscribe to DWR SGMP Email List: <https://bit.ly/2HdRRGK>

Thank You



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