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## **County of Sacramento**

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To: C-57 Contractors (Well Contractors), Environmental Consultants, and Building & Planning Departments

## SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE ORDER N-7-22 EMERGENCY DROUGHT PROCLAMATION

This "Compliance Bulletin" is to provide information regarding the additional requirements for well drilling activities pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order N-7-22 issued on March 28, 2022.

In 2014, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) was enacted. It required agencies to form Ground Water Sustainability Agencies (GSA) in medium and high priority basins to develop and implement Ground Water Sustainability Plans (GSP) to help mitigate groundwater overdraft.

Executive Order N-7-22 applies to all newly proposed well construction and existing wells that require permitting activities and produce greater than 2 acre feet of water per year. Wells producing, or designed to produce, greater than 2 acre feet per year are subject to Executive Order N-7-22 and must obtain GSA concurrence prior to the approval of the permit from EMD. Public supply wells and wells designed to produce less than 2 acre feet of water per year are exempt from the Executive Order.

Prior to approval of all permits issued by EMD, all well related construction activities will require supplemental information. See attached.

All applicable requirements from previously issued Drought Related Emergency Proclamations do not supersede Executive Order N-7-22 and are still in effect.

If you have any questions, please contact Megan Floyd at (916) 591-0082 or FloydM@saccounty.gov

Sincerely,

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