



Cosumnes Groundwater Authority
Outreach and Engagement Committee
Agenda

When: Thursday, June 13 , 2024
2pm - 3:30pm

Where: Via Zoom:<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88946034715>
Meeting ID: 889 4603 4715

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Purpose:

The Outreach and Engagement (O&E) Committee for the Cosumnes Subbasin, as established by the CGA Board of Directors, is convened to provide a productive venue for developing and discussing the CGA's outreach efforts and implementation of the Cosumnes Subbasin Outreach and Engagement Plan. The O&E Committee will serve an advisory role to the CGA Board of Directors, to inform the Board's implementation of the Cosumnes Subbasin GSP.

O&E Committee members shall:

- be able to demonstrate a general knowledge of and involvement in the activities of priority interest related to the Cosumnes GSP and SGMA.
- review the O&E Committee Charter (this document), Code of Conduct, the Cosumnes Subbasin GSP website, and other documentation to become familiar with the current issues and their background.
- attend meetings adequately prepared to engage meaningfully in discussions.
- engage in O&E Committee and GSP activities in accordance with the Code of Conduct and other CGA governance documents, as applicable.

Agenda Items:

1. Summer Newsletter Distribution
2. Herald Day and other Events
3. Groundwater Sustainability Fee and Education
4. Regular Meeting Dates and Committee Goals for FY 24-25

Identification of Future Agenda Items:

Adjourn Meeting

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Agenda Item : #1 – Summer Newsletter Distribution

To: O&E Committee

From: CGA Staff

Background

CGA Staff was assigned to put together Summer Edition Newsletter for CGA which was published and distributed via email blast. The CGA Newsletter will be released Semi-Annually, with the the Fall 2023 edition behind us. The topics included on this edition include:

- Who is CGA
- 2023 Annual Water Report
- Conservation Opportunities for Farmers/Ranchers
- Recent Events: Groundwater Monitoring and Spring BBQ
- Upcoming CGA Meetings

The Newsletter also highlighted Contact Information and links to the CGA Website. It was sent out to our email list and posted to our website. It may also be helpful to place the newsletter in several key areas in the subbasin, going forward.

Link: [Summer 2024 CGA Newsletter](#)

Staff is looking for suggestions for Newsletter distribution.

Flyering Locations

- Herald Store
- Wilton Store
- Farm Bureau
- Tractor Supply
- USPS

Online Locations

- CGA Website
- Email Blast
- Sloughhouse Facebook
- Sloughhouse LinkedIn
- Farm Bureau Digital Newsletter Update Link

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Agenda Item : #2 – Public Events

To: O&E Committee

From: CGA Staff

Background

The O & E Committee has been discussing possible local events that may be good to table at or attend to spread the work about CGA, educate the public, reach more farmers/ranchers/irrigators/well owners/groundwater users and display information at. Staff will attend the Herald Day event and is in the process of developing a trifold for the event.

Are there more events we could attend in the upcoming year? If not, are there events we want to put on ourselves?

Attachment: [CGA Public Events List](#)

Recommendations

Discuss and brainstorm events for the upcoming year that the committee and staff can attend or plan and what is associated with that.

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Agenda Item : #3 – Groundwater Sustainability Fee and Education

To: O&E Committee

From: CGA Staff

Background

At the recent CGA Board meeting, the Board gave direction to proceed with the final fee study so that the Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSA's) may implement them. The fee adjustment to be enacted in the new Fiscal Year 24-25 is derived from the CGA Rate and Fee Study conducted by SCI Consultants. Water Code § 10730 authorizes a GSA to implement fees both pre- and post- Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) adoption.

5 out of 7 of the GSA's have opted to move forward with the fee implementation in the 24 – 25 Fiscal Year. The Committee may need to educate the public about this fee and how it may affect them.

Link: [Final Rate and Fee Study](#)

Recommendations

- Discuss as a committee the best way to educate the public about the implementation of the Groundwater Sustainability Fee

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Agenda Item : #4 – Regular Meeting Dates and Committee Goals for FY 24-25

To: O&E Committee

From: CGA Staff

Meeting Dates:

- Special Committee Meeting
 - AS NEEDED

- Regular Committee Meetings
 - 2nd Thursday, Every 3rd Month?

The Committee will need to speak to the CGA Board about the O & E Committee's role for the next Fiscal Year 24-25 at their meetings every other month beginning in August 2024. Do we want to still meet Quarterly?

Committee Goals

What are the goals of the committee this fiscal year?

- Attend certain number of public events
- Hold workshops and/or events of our own
- Continue Newsletter Distribution
- Increase online presence and mailing list
- Educate the basin stakeholders in regards to CGA and the associated fees

Committee Report Out:

The CGA Board will have a standing agenda item during their regular meetings for committee reports. Teresa Flewellyn, O & E Committee Chair, will come prepared to share updates on the committee's efforts.