

# Cosumnes Groundwater Authority Meeting of the Board of Directors Agenda

**When:** Wednesday, July 1, 2026  
9:00 am – 12:00 pm

**Where:** Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District  
13147 Jackson Road  
Sloughhouse, CA 95683

**Zoom:** **Microsoft Teams**  
[Join the meeting now](#)  
**Meeting ID: 233 605 414 004 7**  
**Passcode: EX6Be6Y3**

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – Any member of the public may address the Board concerning any matter on the agenda before or during its consideration of the matter. Public comment is limited to three (3) minutes per person. For good cause, the Board Chair may waive these limitations.

**ACCESSIBILITY** - If you have a disability and require a reasonable accommodation to fully participate in this event, please contact CGA Staff before the day of the meeting via email [[info@CosumnesGroundwater.org](mailto:info@CosumnesGroundwater.org)] or telephone [209-712-7120] to discuss your accessibility needs.

## **Call to Order**

1. Introductions
  - a. Determine if Quorum is Present

## **Consent Calendar**

2. Consent Items
  - a. Agenda – July 1, 2026
  - b. Minutes – June 3, 2026
  - c. Financial/Treasurer’s Report – June 2026

## **Regular Business Action Items**

1. 2026-27 Officer Elections
2. Project & Management Actions
3. City of Galt Parcel Assessment Update
4. FY 26/27 Draft Budget
5. FY 26/27 Funding Agreement

## **Informational Items**

6. Groundwater Basin Manager Report
7. DWR North Central Regional Office Update
8. Committee Reports
  - a. O&E Committee
9. Director/Member GSA Comments/Reports

**Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (Limit of 3 minutes per speaker)**

10. Public Comment: *Comment will be received for items not on the agenda, but within the jurisdiction of the agency. The Board will hear comments but may not act on issues raised on non-agenda items.*

**Identification of items for future meetings**

The Board approved the following future agenda items by consensus:

- 

**Adjourn Meeting**

**Cosumnes Groundwater Authority  
Meeting of the Board of Directors**

**Meeting Minutes  
June 3, 2026 – 9:00 am**

**\*\* A recording of this meeting can be found on the CGA website at:**

**<https://www.cosumnesgroundwater.org/meetings/>**

**Call to Order**

- I. Introductions / Determine if Quorum is Present  
Directors in Attendance: Russ Parker, Herb Garms, Teresa Flewellyn, Mark Stretars, John Mulrooney, Rick Ferreira, Matt Pratton, Fritz Buchman

**Consent Calendar**

2. Consent Items
  - a. Agenda – June 3, 2026
  - b. Minutes – May 11, 2026
  - c. Financial/Treasurer’s Report – May 2026

*Motion: Director Stretars moved to pass the Financial Report as presented.*

*Director Pratton seconded the motion.*

*The motion passed with a voice vote.*

**Regular Business Action Items**

3. FY 24/25 Audit Presentation
  - a. Brian Nash, Richardson & Co. presented the audit findings for FY 24/25. No significant deficiencies were found or addressed.  
*Motion: Director Mulrooney moved to pass the FY 24/25 Audit as presented.*  
*Director Parker seconded the motion*  
*The motion passed with a voice vote.*
4. City of Galt Parcel Assessment
  - a. Staff has reviewed parcels and we have agreed upon a parcel list. City is moving forward with a fee assessment. City is questioning increase in funding agreement for future fiscal years per fee study and CGA is consulting with legal counsel for review.
5. EKI Contract Extension
  - a. It was agreed with general consensus to extend the EKI contract from 6/30/26 to 12/21/26 with no additional monies allocated. This will allow for continued expenditures on recommended corrective actions.
6. FY 26/27 Draft Budget
  - a. Draft budget was presented. It was a consensus to delay approval until next meeting to await legal counsel review of funding contribution.
7. FY 26/27 Funding Agreement
  - a. Draft agreement was presented. It was a consensus to delay approval until next meeting to await legal counsel review of funding contribution.
8. Domestic Well Analysis & Well Mitigation Program
  - a. EKI presented on the current domestic well analysis and potential well mitigation program. It was directed to obtain legal review on a well mitigation program with current funding mechanisms and for legal input on this process.
9. Spring Monitoring Event Update

- a. A comparison report was presented of water monitoring results from past events. All Spring monitoring results will be submitted to DWR by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Informational Items**

10. Groundwater Basin Manager Report  
*Written report provided*
11. DWR North Central Regional Office Update  
*Written report provided*
12. Committee Reports
  - a. O&E Committee
    - i. None
13. Director/Member GSA Comments/Reports
  - a. No reports given

**Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (Limit of 3 minutes per speaker)**

14. Public Comment: *Comment will be received for items not on the agenda, but within the jurisdiction of the agency. The Board will hear comments but may not act on issues raised on non-agenda items.*
  - a. *None*

**Identification of items for future meetings**

The Board approved the following future agenda items by consensus:

- *City of Galt Non-Metered Parcels Update*
- *FY 26/27 Budget*
- *FY 26/27 Funding Agreement*
- *2026-27 Officers & Bank Signers*
- *City of Galt Deep Wells Update*
- *City of Galt in lieu request – waste water*
- *PMA review*
- *2025/26 Annual Report of activities*
- *Well Mitigation Program – legal review*

**Adjourn Meeting**

*Meeting Adjourned at 11:36 am. Next meeting will be on July 1, 2026 at 9:00 am.*

# Cosumnes Groundwater Authority

## Balance Sheet

As of June 26, 2026

	TOTAL
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Money Market	324,195.26
Public Checking (4246) - 1	571,411.42
<b>Total Bank Accounts</b>	<b>\$895,606.68</b>
Accounts Receivable	
1200 Accounts Receivable (A/R)	-94,295.50
1250 Due from other governments	332,333.93
<b>Total Accounts Receivable</b>	<b>\$238,038.43</b>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$1,133,645.11</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$1,133,645.11</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$79,940.24
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$79,940.24</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$79,940.24</b>
Equity	\$1,053,704.87
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$1,133,645.11</b>

# Cosumnes Groundwater Authority

## Budget vs. Actuals

July 2025 - June 2026

	TOTAL		
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
<b>Income</b>			
4100 Member Contributions	489,776.53	486,930.00	100.58 %
Interest Income	11,550.22		
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$501,326.75</b>	<b>\$486,930.00</b>	<b>102.96 %</b>
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>\$501,326.75</b>	<b>\$486,930.00</b>	<b>102.96 %</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
5000 Staff Personnel Expenses (Contract)			
Personnel - Contract	70,750.00	50,000.00	141.50 %
<b>Total 5000 Staff Personnel Expenses (Contract)</b>	<b>70,750.00</b>	<b>50,000.00</b>	<b>141.50 %</b>
5100 Legal Services	10,050.00	10,000.00	100.50 %
5200 Public Outreach	1,348.50	10,000.00	13.49 %
5400 Annual Report Technical Support - Task 1	32,492.96	33,000.00	98.46 %
5410 Data Management System Support - Task 3		4,000.00	
5420 GSP Technical Support - Task 4	21,513.70	100,000.00	21.51 %
5430 Groundwater Monitoring - Task 2	9,111.41	4,500.00	202.48 %
5440 On Call Tech Support/RCA's - Task 5	81,137.40		
5455 GSP Periodic Evaluation - Task 1	25,729.60		
5460 GSP Plan Amendment - Task 2	8,702.46		
5500 Miscellaneous. Expenses	44.00	0.00	
5600 Financial Audit and Accounting Services	11,295.00	10,000.00	112.95 %
5640 Funding Exploration		5,000.00	
5700 Data Gaps		5,000.00	
5800 Administrative Supplies & Subscriptions	743.60	5,000.00	14.87 %
Broadcast Email	495.00		
Insurance	1,542.00		
Microsoft	278.78		
Other Subscriptions	1,795.60		
Quickbooks	1,249.00		
Website	259.87		
<b>Total 5800 Administrative Supplies &amp; Subscriptions</b>	<b>6,363.85</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>127.28 %</b>
Contingency		15,000.00	
Five Year GSP Plan Update - Restricted Reserves		235,430.00	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$278,538.88</b>	<b>\$486,930.00</b>	<b>57.20 %</b>
<b>NET OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>\$222,787.87</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>\$222,787.87</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

# Cosumnes Groundwater Authority

## Bills to be paid

All Dates

DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	DUE DATE	PAST DUE	AMOUNT	OPEN BALANCE
Downey Brand (916) 444-1000						
06/11/2026	Bill		07/11/2026	-15	215.00	215.00
<b>Total for Downey Brand</b>					<b>\$215.00</b>	<b>\$215.00</b>
EKI Environment & Water (650) 292-9100						
06/30/2025	Journal Entry	24	06/30/2025	361	4,189.00	4,189.00
05/07/2026	Bill		06/06/2026	20	40,841.84	40,841.84
05/07/2026	Bill		06/06/2026	20	13,730.86	13,730.86
06/01/2026	Bill		07/01/2026	-5	14,114.36	14,114.36
06/01/2026	Bill		07/01/2026	-5	6,849.18	6,849.18
<b>Total for EKI Environment &amp; Water</b>					<b>\$79,725.24</b>	<b>\$79,725.24</b>
Lindsey Carter						
06/30/2026	Bill		07/30/2026	-34	4,950.00	4,950.00
<b>Total for Lindsey Carter</b>					<b>\$4,950.00</b>	<b>\$4,950.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>\$84,890.24</b>	<b>\$84,890.24</b>

**CGA Credit Card Reconciliation**

Expenses as of June 26, 2026

Paid by: Five Star Bank Credit Card

<b>Date</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
6/1/26	Microsoft - June 2026 Subscription	\$26.26
6/3/26	Bel Air - Coffee Supplies	\$15.06
6/9/26	ParcelQuest - Monthly Subscription	\$199.95
6/9/26	Quickbooks - June 2026 Subscription	\$115.00
6/11/26	Mail Chimp - June 2026 Subscription	\$45.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$401.27</b>

**Cosumnes Groundwater Authority  
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: July 1, 2026  
Agenda Item #: 1  
Agenda Item Subject: 2026-27 Officers & Bank Signers

To: CGA Board of Directors  
From: Groundwater Basin Manager

---

**Background**

CGA needs to determine officers and bank signers for 2026-27.

Current Officers

- Chairman – Rick Ferreira
- Vice Chairman – Gary Silva
- Treasurer – Leo Van Warmerdam

Current Bank Signers

- Rick Ferreira
- Lindsey Carter

**Attachment:** None

**Recommendations**

- To approve officers for 2026-27 and approve updated bank signers.

**Cosumnes Groundwater Authority  
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: July 1, 2026  
Agenda Item #: 2  
Agenda Item Subject: Project Management Action Review

To: CGA Board of Directors  
From: Groundwater Basin Manager

---

**Background**

Tier I (Projects that CGA can control, monitor, execute and regularly report on)

1. OHWD Agriculture Flood-MAR
2. City of Galt Recycled Water Project
3. Voluntary Land Use Repurposing (intent changed from fallowing to market driven land use changes)
4. *Basin Recharge Projects – New Project*
  - a. *Dry Creek Recharge*
  - b. *Rancho Murieta Recharge*

Tier II (Projects that would be beneficial but that we do not have control over or have other entities with key action items)

1. SAFCA Flood-MAR
2. *Cosumnes Multi-Benefit Project – New Project*

Tier III (additional project ideas, but no clear direction or plan)

PMA's being removed from the current Groundwater Sustainability Plan:

- OHWD Cosumnes River Flow Project
- Groundwater Banking and Sale

**Attachment:**

**Recommendations**

- a. To review list of proposed PMAs and finalize this list for details

**Cosumnes Groundwater Authority  
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: July 1, 2026  
Agenda Item #: 3  
Agenda Item Subject: City of Galt Parcel Assessment Follow-Up

To: CGA Board of Directors  
From: Groundwater Basin Manager

---

**Background**

City of Galt is moving forward with a parcel assessment and has initiated that process including the initial notification to landowners. There were some parcels found in the City GSA that are currently being assessed to both GID and SRCD. Those GSA's have been notified and we will work to reconcile those discrepancies.

CGA is still waiting on legal review of the fee study for further movement on addressing City of Galt's future payment obligation and the ability to assess back-pay for previous years where these non-metered parcels were not addressed.

**Attachment:** None

**Recommendations**

- a. To discuss progress on this effort and Board requested next steps.

**Cosumnes Groundwater Authority  
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: July 1, 2026  
Agenda Item #: 4  
Agenda Item Subject: FY 26/27 Budget - Draft

To: CGA Board of Directors  
From: Groundwater Basin Manager

---

**Background**

A draft budget was prepared based on FY 25/26 Actual expenses and planned contractual obligations in FY 26/27.

Notable updates include the following:

- Personnel – increased to \$80,000
- Data Management System – removed from budget as no plan is currently in place to utilize
- GSP Technical Report – decreased to \$40,000 to reflect current state of contract and remaining obligations. May need to extend contract to December 2026, to utilize funding for ongoing work
- Groundwater Monitoring – Increased to \$10,000 to reflect current costs
- GSP On Call Support/RCA's – added to delineate expenses for RCA's, May need to extend contract to December 2026, to utilize funding for ongoing work
- GSP Periodic Evaluation – added to delineate expenses for new contract, includes full obligation of EKI Contract component
- GSP Plan Amendment - added to delineate expenses for new contract, includes full obligation of EKI Contract component
- Funding Exploration – increased to \$10,000 for proposed grant opportunities
- Contingency – reduced to \$10,000 and moved to Misc Expenses to consolidate categories

This budget does assume that \$163,451 will be transferred from the Restricted reserves account to cover periodic evaluation and plan amendment contractual costs. Current balance in the reserves account is \$323,147.01, which does not include anticipated contributions from FY 25/26 of \$235,430.

**Attachment:** [Draft FY 26/27 Budget](#)

**Recommendations**

- Delay until August meeting in order to be able to address City of Galt payment, waiting on legal counsel review.

**Cosumnes Groundwater Authority  
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: June 3, 2026  
Agenda Item #: 5  
Agenda Item Subject: FY 26/27 Funding Agreement

To: CGA Board of Directors  
From: Groundwater Basin Manager

---

**Background**

A draft funding agreement for FY 26/27 has been prepared. This funding agreement includes all of the same provisions as the agreement for FY 25/26, including that membership contributions are applied to the proportionate share of the budget and that collections more than the operating administrative expenses will be deposited into restricted reserves. At this time, no excess funds are estimated, due to the full expense of the Periodic Evaluation and Plan Amendment being fulfilled. It also includes the provision for reductions in contributions and maintains that no in-kind contributions will be considered in FY 26/27.

The membership contribution is the same level for every member as FY 25/26. The increased amount for the City of Galt was countered, so that is currently being reviewed by legal counsel. The parcel assessment is also still under review as well by the City.

**Attachment:** [Draft FY 26/27 Funding Agreement](#)

**Recommendations**

- Delay until August meeting in order to be able to address City of Galt payment, waiting on legal counsel review.

**Cosumnes Groundwater Authority  
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: July 1, 2026  
Agenda Item #: 6  
Agenda Item Subject: Groundwater Basin Manager Report

To: CGA Board of Directors  
From: Groundwater Basin Manager

---

**Background**

**a. Recommended Corrective Actions Progress**

EKI is making significant progress on domestic well analysis and SMC updates. Staff continues to work on PMA updates for new amendment.

**b. 2025-26 Workplan Progress**

The 2025-26 workplan has been developed and includes review from EKI, O&E and breaks down tasks and objectives to address RCAs, Periodic Evaluation and Plan Amendment.

This plan has been updated to reflect work performed in June and planned for the remainder of the year.

**c. Staff Meeting Report – June 2026**

To increase transparency between staff and the Board, a monthly meeting report will be provided to include a summary of each meeting that was attended in representation of CGA and any deliverables, outcomes or action items

**Attachment: [2025-26 Workplan – Working Draft](#)**

**Recommendations**

- a. Provide feedback if any is needed

## June 2026 DWR Updates (from DWR's North Central Region Office)

### Grants

#### California Grants Portal

The California State Library, in partnership with the Department of Water Resources and other state grantmaking agencies, has launched the California Grants Portal – your one destination to find all state grant and loan opportunities provided on a first-come or competitive basis. Visit [grants.ca.gov](https://grants.ca.gov) to find funding opportunities for you and your community.

#### **Prop 4, Bond Grant Funds**

Here is a link to sign up for DWR's Prop 4 [email notification list](#).

**Joint Workshop for the Proposition 4 Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program (\$320 million) & Watershed Resilience Grant Program (\$152 million available) was held April 30, 2026, 9am – noon**. This was a joint workshop on the [Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program](#) and the [Watershed Resilience Grant Program](#).

This virtual workshop provided a general overview of both programs, discuss upcoming Proposition 4 funding opportunities, and provide an opportunity for early input on program development ahead of developing Guidelines. Registration and additional details will be shared soon through email. **Workshop slides and the recording will be posted on the above webpages.**

#### **Other DWR Prop 4 grant program information:**

- The [Dam Safety and Climate Resilience](#) program has closed public comment on draft Guidelines. Final guidelines will be released later this year.
- The [California Irrigation Management Information System \(CIMIS\) draft Guidelines](#) are now available. Workshops are planned for June 26<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. The public comment period begins on May 20, 2026, and closes at 5:00 p.m. PDT on July 3, 2026.
- The public review period for the draft Guidelines of the [Riverine Stewardship](#) has ended. Final Guidelines will be released over summer.
- The [Urban Streams](#) program released draft Guidelines May 20, comment end date is July 29<sup>th</sup>. Public workshops will be held July 8 and July 22.
- The [Water Desalination Grant Program](#) will hold a pre-draft Guideline webinar on June 22nd from 1:00–2:00 PM. [Register here](#).

#### **DWR's Underrepresented Communities and Small Farmer Technical Assistance Program**

The mission of the Program is to determine the needs, risks, and vulnerabilities with the implementation of the SGMA for underrepresented communities and small farms in medium and high priority basins, including critically overdrafted (COD) basins. The types of services provided include, but are not limited to: Groundwater level monitoring; Aquifer testing to determine long-term yield and supply; Identifying Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems (GDEs); Analyze well interference; Identifying additional water supply; Analyze existing well condition using downhole video log; Rehabilitation of water storage tank; Long-term water supply and demand analysis; Analyze and help to facilitate water transfers. **More information is available on the webpage.** **Local entities can request services by emailing [SGM\\_TA@water.ca.gov](mailto:SGM_TA@water.ca.gov).**

#### **Upcoming conferences, webinars, new reports and data**

##### **DWR Releases Onboarding Resources for Groundwater Sustainability Agencies**

DWR has developed GSA Onboarding Resources including an Onboarding Checklist and a Handbook Template, to support GSAs as they welcome new board members and staff into their roles under SGMA) These materials are designed to help orient new team members to GSA governance, local GSP implementation, and key SGMA requirements. The resources include two documents. The first is the Onboarding Checklist paired with Section I of the Handbook Template, which highlights GSA- and GSP-specific information. This file is provided as a

## June 2026 DWR Updates (from DWR's North Central Region Office)

customizable Word template and is [available here](#). The second document includes Section II of the Handbook Template, presented as a PDF that outlines statewide information and resources; it is [available here](#). A short training video on how to use the template is under development and will be released soon.

### DWR Releases Spring 2026 Semi-Annual Groundwater Update

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) has released the [Spring 2026 Semi-Annual Groundwater Update](#), which provides a look back at California's groundwater conditions during Water Year 2025 and early Water Year 2026. The groundwater update released today includes Water Year 2025 Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSP) and GSP Alternative annual report data reported across 101 groundwater basins. This information is helping provide an increasingly clearer picture of groundwater conditions, including the amount of change in groundwater storage, groundwater extractions, and managed recharge that occurs each year.

### C2VSimFG Web Application Released

The California Central Valley Groundwater–Surface Water Simulation Model—Fine Grid (C2VSimFG) Web Application is an interactive online tool for exploring outputs from C2VSimFG Version 1.5. It provides users with streamlined access to model results. C2VSimFG simulates groundwater and surface water conditions across the Central Valley and can be used to estimate regional water budgets for Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) planning and implementation. Developed for GSAs and other interested parties, the application is designed to support users with little to no modeling experience. Through a user-friendly interface, users can visualize model outputs without running the model, including hydrographs, water budgets, and zonal budget charts generated on demand from the latest model results. To learn more and access the C2VSimFG web application, visit <https://c2vsimfg.water.ca.gov/>. For questions or technical assistance, please contact [c2vsimfgtechsupport@water.ca.gov](mailto:c2vsimfgtechsupport@water.ca.gov).

### Basin Characterization Program Launches Basin Characterization Tools (BCTools) and Monthly BCX meeting link

DWR's Basin Characterization Program is pleased to announce the release of [Basin Characterization Tools \(BCTools\)](#), a new suite of open-source tools designed to help local agencies, consultants, and researchers better understand California's groundwater basins.

BCTools provides integrated workflows for developing hydrostratigraphic models, creating 3D sediment texture models, and estimating aquifer flow parameters from airborne electromagnetic (AEM) data, lithology and geophysical logs, and aquifer flow measurements. These tools support high-quality, data-driven groundwater analyses and modeling that can advance local and regional groundwater management.

Basin Characterization Exchange (BCX) meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 12:30 - 1:30 pm. Upcoming webinar information can be found on the [BCX Hub](#). To receive updates on upcoming meetings, [join the BCX listserv](#) or email us at [Basin.Characterization@water.ca.gov](mailto:Basin.Characterization@water.ca.gov).

### DWR Releases Final Subsidence BMP and Educational Resource Webpage

DWR has released a [final Best Management Practices document](#), that will serve as a guide for groundwater managers on the basics of subsidence, how to best manage it, and available technical assistance.

DWR has also launched a [new webpage dedicated to providing educational resources and information about land subsidence](#) in California, particularly as it relates to groundwater use and sustainable groundwater management. The resources available on this page are designed to help the public better understand subsidence and associated potential impacts. The page will be updated with educational materials, data, best management practices, and project information as it is available.

## June 2026 DWR Updates (from DWR's North Central Region Office)

### California's Groundwater: Bulletin 118 – Update 2025

DWR Releases [Final California's Groundwater: Bulletin 118 – Update 2025](#). CalGW Update 2025 provides a comprehensive inventory and assessment of available information on the occurrence and nature of groundwater and informs decisions on the protection, use, monitoring and management of the resource. This five-year update builds on the CalGW Update 2020 by integrating data submitted to DWR by local agencies under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), including information reported in Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSP), Alternatives to GSPs, annual reports, and other groundwater initiatives. CalGW Update 2025 is part of a comprehensive suite of resources designed to support groundwater understanding and management across the state, including the [Semi-Annual Updates](#), [CalGW Live](#), and the [Basin Characterization](#) program. The full document as well as a highlights document (in English and Spanish) and all appendices can be [downloaded here](#).

### Preliminary Sac Valley Aquifer Recharge Potential Maps Available

New: [Aquifer Recharge Potential maps](#) and a [process document](#) are now available to download from the [Basin Characterization CNRA Open Data Portal](#). Note– we'll be updating the ARP Process Document later in October.

### DWR Releases Second and Third Paper on Depletions of Interconnected Surface Water

To help GSAs address the depletion of interconnected surface water (ISW) in their Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs), the DWR released the second and third in a series of three draft papers that discuss the technical aspects of ISW and quantification of depletions of ISW caused by groundwater pumping. The first paper (Paper 1), [Depletions of Interconnected Surface Water: An Introduction](#), introduced concepts associated with ISW, including approaches for identifying ISW and defining depletion of ISW from groundwater pumping. The second paper (Paper 2), [Techniques for Estimating Interconnected Surface Water Depletion Caused by Groundwater Use](#), continues the foundational concepts presented in Paper 1 by discussing the data requirements, methods, and general implementation process to consider for ISW depletion analyses. The final paper (Paper 3), [Examples for Estimating Interconnected Surface Water Depletion Caused by Groundwater Use](#), continues and expands upon the topics presented in Paper 2 by providing detailed examples of using numerical models to evaluate depletion of ISW. A pre-recorded webinar that summarizes the contents of the three papers and describes the next steps in the development of the guidance document [can be viewed here](#).

The DRAFT ISW guidance document is *tentatively* scheduled for second quarter 2026 for public release.

## SGMA Updates and Tools

### Update Your GSA and GSP Manager Point of Contact Information in DWR's SGMA Portal

If your GSA and/or GSP Plan Manager Point of Contact (POC) is not current, or you are not sure, please visit the SGMA Portal to ensure that your contact information is up-to-date. When logged in, the Portal allows edits to be made to previously submitted contact information. If you have SGMA Portal questions, please email them to [GSPSubmittal@water.ca.gov](mailto:GSPSubmittal@water.ca.gov).

### The CASGEM Online System is Moving to the SGMA Portal July of 2026

The Department is beginning to integrate the [California Statewide Groundwater Elevation Monitoring \(CASGEM\) Program's Online System](#) with the [SGMA Portal's](#) Monitoring Network Module (MNM). This integration will streamline groundwater elevation data management and reporting processes by consolidating data submission into one location – the SGMA Portal's MNM. Our goal is to provide a more unified and efficient user experience for local agencies, stakeholders, and the public.

A [user manual for the CASGEM submodule can be found here](#) and a [batch import user manual can be found here](#). If you have questions, please reach out to your DWR region office CASGEM contact ([here](#)) or to the CASGEM Program in Headquarters at [CASGEM@water.ca.gov](mailto:CASGEM@water.ca.gov).

## June 2026 DWR Updates (from DWR's North Central Region Office)

### DWR releases final WY 2023 statewide land use data

DWR has officially released final data set for 2023 and provisional statewide land use data from Water Year (WY) 2024 for public access and use. The released data follows up on land use mapping conducted in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 where more than 14 million acres of land were classified (including agriculture multi-cropping instances and urban categories) using tools such as remote sensing and geographic information systems. The data can now be accessed at the following locations: [CA DWR Land Use Viewer](#) (viewing and downloading); [CNRA Webpage](#) (viewing and downloading); on the [SGMA Data Viewer](#) (viewing) and the [California State Geportal](#) (viewing and downloading).

### Facilitation Support Service and Translation Services Available to GSA's at No Cost

GSA's developing GSPs are eligible to receive funding for identification and engagement of interested parties, meeting facilitation, interest-based negotiation/consensus building, and public outreach facilitation. [FAQ about FSS is available here](#). More information [can be found here](#). [Written translation services available in 8 languages for outreach materials \(5,000 word maximum\)](#). DWR has [Verbal Interpretation service available to GSA's](#). Real-time interpretive services are available to GSAs for virtual, hybrid, or in-person meetings in support of GSP implementation with the goal of engaging underrepresented communities within basins and encouraging equal access for non-fluent English speakers during the implementation of GSP's. If you are interested in learning more or receiving support from an interpretation team email [sgmps@water.ca.gov](mailto:sgmps@water.ca.gov).

### Reminders: Drought related tools & guidance

#### 'Be Well Prepared' Initiative and Website

May 17, 2023, DWR released the [Be Well Prepared initiative](#). DWR is providing tools and resources to help communities that are dependent on groundwater and experiencing climate-driven weather extremes, to prepare for potential impacts to household water supplies. The Be Well Prepared initiative focuses on domestic well owners and residents that use and maintain their well. [The website includes resources and information](#) that every well owner should know and understand about: groundwater conditions, well maintenance, water quality, assistance, and additional articles, videos and resources. A [new flyer](#) from DWR provides the four initial steps for well owners to take if they think their well has gone dry. This flyer is also available in [Spanish](#) and [Hmong](#).

#### SB552: DWR's Water Shortage Vulnerability Scoring and Tool

As part of its technical assistance to support SB 552 implementation, DWR developed the [Water Shortage Vulnerability Scoring and Tool](#) to provide the foundational data and information statewide to counties for their water shortage risk assessment.

#### Dry Well Susceptibility Map

The DWR, in coordination with the State Water Resources Control Board, has developed an interactive mapping tool, called the Dry Well Susceptibility Tool. This tool identifies areas within groundwater basins that may be prone to water supply shortages in drinking water wells. State and local agencies and well owners can use this tool to anticipate where wells may go dry based on historical conditions to inform drought preparedness decision-making. To use this tool, navigate to [California's Groundwater Live website](#) and click the [Dry Domestic Well Susceptibility tab](#). A fact sheet on this tool, as well as DWR's Dry Well Reporting System, [is available here](#).

#### Dry Well Reporting Site

There is a website available to [report private wells going dry](#). Information reported to this site is intended to inform state and local agencies on drought impacts on household water supplies. The data reported on this site (excluding personal identifiable information) can be viewed on the [SGMA data viewer](#) or downloaded on the [CNRA Atlas](#). Individuals or local agencies can report water shortages and [a list of resources are included on the webpage](#). The reporting forms are available in both English and Spanish. Local agencies can now sign up to receive notifications of any dry wells reported in their area. To sign up please email [sgmps@water.ca.gov](mailto:sgmps@water.ca.gov).

## **June 2026 DWR Updates (from DWR's North Central Region Office)**

California's Groundwater Live: Up-to-date data on groundwater conditions, well installations and subsidence

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) released the final [California's Groundwater – Update 2020 \(Bulletin-118\)](#), containing information on the condition of the State's groundwater, DWR has also developed a companion web-based application called [California's Groundwater Live](#) (CalGW Live), leveraging the [California Natural Resources Agency Open Data Platform](#) (Open Data) to improve the access and timeliness of statewide groundwater information. The easy-to-use interface will make many of the data sets used in CalGW Update 2020 available in an interactive map format that will be updated regularly for viewing and downloading. For more information, visit the updated [California's Groundwater website](#) Contact: [CalGW@water.ca.gov](mailto:CalGW@water.ca.gov).