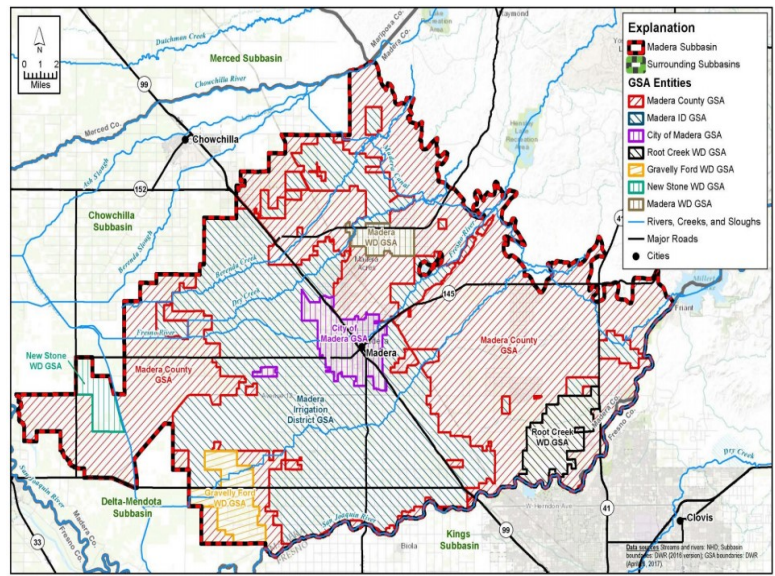


Get to Know Your Groundwater Sustainability Agency: Madera County Groundwater Sustainability Agency

OVERVIEW

The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) is a new law that, once fully implemented, will fundamentally change the way we use and manage groundwater in California. The Act applies to areas that rely heavily on groundwater. The Act requires local agencies to form Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) to manage and regulate groundwater. Once formed, these GSAs will have new powers, including the ability to limit or suspend groundwater pumping and charge fees for groundwater extraction and will be responsible for ensuring that groundwater conditions improve by 2040.



To do so, GSAs will need to develop and Implement Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs). GSPs will need to document the groundwater conditions in the area; establish goals to prevent negative impacts; and identify projects and management actions that improve groundwater conditions.

YOUR GSA AT A GLANCE

GSA NAME	Madera County Groundwater Sustainability Agency
FORMED	February 9, 2017
GSA BOUNDARIES	The County of Madera is the exclusive GSA for the portion of the Madera Subbasin in the unincorporated area of the County, and not otherwise covered by another public agency: Fairmead, La Vina, Parksdale, and Parkwood
BOARD OF DIRECTORS	Brett Frazier David Roger Max Rodriguez Robert Poythress Tom Wheeler
GSA MEETINGS	When needed, the GSA Board meets every Tuesday at 9 A.M. at the Madera County Government Center located at 200 W. Fourth Street, Madera, CA 93638. Note that the Madera County Board of Supervisors is the Board of the Madera County Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA)
Committees	The Advisory Committee makes recommendations to the Madera County Board of Directors. There are 10 members that represent environmental, rural community, agricultural, domestic well stakeholders as well as other interest relevant to SGMA. For information when the committee meets, please contact Stephanie Anagnoson, or visit the County's Web site at: http://www.maderacountywater.com

GET INVOLVED!

Most unincorporated communities in the San Joaquin Valley are solely reliant on groundwater for drinking water. Many more residents rely on private wells. SGMA intends to bring different water users together to decide how to use and manage groundwater. As a result, decisions made by the GSAs will affect residents in rural communities.

Get involved and HELP your GSA:

- **Understand the groundwater challenges affecting rural unincorporated communities and/or private wells.**
- **Identify and develop projects that improve groundwater conditions in your community.**
- **Identify ways to keep rates affordable.**

Ways to Get Involved:

- Register as an interested party for the GSA to receive notices of meetings and important information about Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) development.
- Attend the GSA board and/or committee meetings. Give public comment or ask questions about their work.
- **Apply to serve on a committee.**

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