



NOTICE OF JOINT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE

**Merced Groundwater Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency
(MSGSA)**

And the

**Merced Irrigation-Urban Groundwater Sustainability Agency
(MIUGSA)**

And the

**Turner Island Water District Groundwater Sustainability Agency #1
(TIWD-1)**

**September 18, 2019
6:00 PM**

**SAM PIPES ROOM
MERCED CIVIC CENTER
678 West 18th Street
Merced, CA 95340**

Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Report Items
 - a. Overview of GSP Development to Date
 - b. Public Engagement Process
 - c. Summary of Public Comments Received (Opportunity for public comment following each topic)
 - i. Water Level
 - ii. Subsidence
 - iii. Demand Management
 - iv. Allocation Framework
 - v. Water Quality
 - vi. Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems
 - vii. Stakeholder Outreach
 - d. Next Steps in GSP Adoption Process

- e. Update on progress of the Severely Disadvantaged Community grant projects.
- 3. Action Item
 - a. Prop 68 Funding Opportunity – Consider authorization of funding of \$50,000 for consultant support to prepare Prop 68 Grant Application
- 4. Public Comments
- 5. Meeting Adjournment

Action may be taken on any item

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BOARD ACTION ITEM

TO: MEMBERS OF MERCED SUBBASIN GSA GOVERNING BOARD
FROM: MARK HENDRICKSON, SECRETARY
DATE: SEPTEMBER 18, 2019

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED

SUMMARY:

A public draft of the Merced Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan was released for public comment on July 19, 2019. After a 30 day public comment, closing on August 19, 2019, the GSA's received 22 comment letters on the GSP. During this item the GSP consultant team will facilitate a review and discussion of the public comments received and potential approaches for responses.

Public Comments for this discussion were categorized into five topics: water level, subsidence, demand management, allocation framework, water quality, groundwater dependent ecosystems and stakeholder outreach.

All public comment letters are available on the MercedSGMA.org website, at <http://mercedsgma.org/resources#draft-gsp>.

REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION/ACTION NEEDED:

Discussion and possible direction to staff and consultants regarding public comments received on the draft Merced GSP.

BOARD ACTION ITEM

TO: MEMBERS OF MERCED SUBBASIN GSA GOVERNING BOARD
FROM: MARK HENDRICKSON, SECRETARY
DATE: SEPTEMBER 18, 2019

SUBJECT: PROP. 68 FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

SUMMARY:

The Department of Water Resources has released the Round 3 Proposal Solicitation Package for the Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program. Under this grant program Groundwater Sustainability Agencies are eligible to apply for grant funding for the development and implementation of Groundwater Sustainability Plans. The Merced Basin is eligible for up to \$500,000. The grant application deadline is November 1, 2019.

The Coordination Committee has unanimously recommended that the GSA Boards approve authorizing funding of up to \$50,000 for consultant support to prepare the Prop. 68 grant application. Additionally, the Coordination Committee has identified a small working group to identify and recommend projects to include in the grant application package.

REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION/ACTION NEEDED:

Authorize funding up to \$50,000 for consultant support to prepare a Prop. 68 Sustainable Groundwater Management Round 3 Grant Program application.