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## WATER & NATURAL RESOURCES NEWS

# March 2023

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### GSA News

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## DWR Awards \$25 Million in LandFlex Grants to Protect Drinking Water Wells

*Funding Will Help Preserve Critical Groundwater Supplies for Central Valley Communities Impacted by Drought*

DWR has awarded grants to the following three GSAs:

- **Madera County Groundwater Sustainability Agency** - \$9.3 million
- **Greater Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency** - \$7.0 million
- **Eastern Tule Groundwater Sustainability Agency** - \$7.0 million

[Read more about the LandFlex Program](#)

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## Groundwater Awareness Week Kickoff event set for Monday

[National Groundwater Awareness Week](#) begins this Sunday. DWR will celebrate with an interactive [kickoff event](#) on Monday, March 6, in Sacramento. There will be demonstrations, information booths, and presentations from groundwater professionals on the importance of groundwater in California. The annual national observance highlights the responsible development, management, and use of groundwater.



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## Flood

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### Flood Control, Groundwater Recharge, and Water Rights

Here are some facts from the California Water Boards:  
California Environmental Protection Agency and the  
State Water Resources Control Board.

[Fact Sheet](#)

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## Drought

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### Drought Workgroup

**Friday, March 17, 2023 - 10:00 am**

At this meeting the Emergency Services Team from Self Help Enterprises will be giving an update on drought emergency assistance as well as Covid assistance that is available.

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81025015035?pwd=OTVOTmdzWFdack1GN1VmZ2Vq  
eHNJUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81025015035?pwd=OTVOTmdzWFdack1GN1VmZ2VqeHNJUT09)

Meeting ID: 810 2501 5035 Passcode: 286880

Or Call in: 1-669-900-9128

The image displays four promotional cards for Self-Help Enterprises, arranged in a 2x2 grid. Each card features the company logo and a specific service offering.

- Top Left Card:** "Do you need bottled water?" It describes an interim solution for clean drinking water for domestic well owners. Contact: **Call Bottled Water 559-802-1284**, [bottledwater@selfhelpenterprises.org](mailto:bottledwater@selfhelpenterprises.org).
- Top Right Card:** "Is your well pumping sand or low producing? Do you think your well is failing?" It offers well inspection and measurement services. Contact: **Call Water Wells 559-802-1289**, [waterwells@selfhelpenterprises.org](mailto:waterwells@selfhelpenterprises.org).
- Bottom Left Card:** "Do you need to test the quality of your water?" It provides information on water quality testing. Contact: **Call Water Quality 559-802-1285**, [waterquality@selfhelpenterprises.org](mailto:waterquality@selfhelpenterprises.org).
- Bottom Right Card:** "Has your well gone dry? Have you lost access to water in your home?" It offers drought support services. Contact: **Call Drought Support 559-802-1685**, [droughtsupport@selfhelpenterprises.org](mailto:droughtsupport@selfhelpenterprises.org).

Each card also includes the address: 8445 W. ELDWIN CT., VISALIA, CA 93291.

## RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO WELL OWNERS IN MADERA COUNTY

Residents of Madera County and the Central Valley who have been affected by the impacts of the drought have immediate resources available to help maintain their access to drinking water. These funds come from the State Water Resources Control Board and most are free to you. Resources include: Bottled Water, Water Tanks, Water Assessment Testing, Water Quality Testing

If you are concerned about your well or out of water for your home,

call [Self-Help Enterprise](https://www.selfhelpenterprises.org) for:

Bottled Water: 559-802-1284    Water Wells: 559-802-1289

Water Quality: 559-802-1285 Drought Support: 559-802-1685.

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