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Targeted Land Repurposing Program (LandFlex): Overview

- **TLRP (LandFlex) Overview:** DWR program to support implementation of SGMA by repurposing currently irrigated lands in priority areas. Intended program benefits include:
 - Provide immediate benefits for vulnerable domestic wells
 - Support growers' transition to sustainable groundwater management
 - Provide funding for growers to implement best practices on repurposed lands
- The GSA submitted a competitive proposal to DWR in February 2023 and was awarded \$9.3 million to implement



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Targeted Land Repurposing Program (LandFlex): Rules

- **Program requirements:** DWR Guidelines define the program and require coordination with Technical Assistance Providers (TAPs)
 - Western United Dairies, Almond Alliance, Self-Help Enterprises, California Alliance for Family Farmers
- **What lands are eligible?** All lands in the Madera Subbasin portion of the Madera County GSA that receive both Sustainable Yield (SY) and Transitional Water (TW) allocations



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Targeted Land Repurposing Program (LandFlex): Rules

- **Payment components:** Three non-separable payments for lands that enter the program:
 1. Domestic Well Drought Relief Water (Drought Relief)
 - Groundwater pumping eliminated during the 2023 Water Year
 - \$350 per acre-foot of 2023 SY plus TW
 2. Sustainable Yield Acceleration (SY Acceleration)
 - TW eliminated from a Farm Unit allocation in ***all future years***
 - \$1,000 per acre-foot of 2023 TW
 3. Transition to Sustainability (Transition)
 - Facilitate transition of lands that enter the program
 - \$250 per acre for row crops,
 - \$2,000 per acre for dairy feed, and
 - \$2,800 per acre for orchard/vineyard removal



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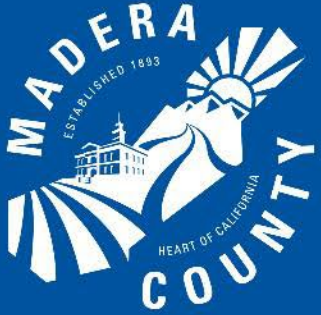
- **Timeline:** The program must be implemented in the current Water Year and is consequently on an accelerated timeline

Water Year 2023	Activity
April 2023	Applications open
May 2023	Selection and TLRP Agreement execution
April-September 2023	Land repurposing underway; GSA assistance and monitoring as needed
July 2023	First installment of payment
September 2023	Pending verification, second installment of payment



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Targeted Land Repurposing Program (LandFlex): Next Steps

- Continue coordination with DWR and TAPs to open the TLRP application portal
- Outreach to growers, implementation, and open the application portal
- Implement the program scoring, selection, and payments according to the defined TLRP rules
- Complete program monitoring and reporting, and include in annual GSP updates



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