



**WATER & NATURAL RESOURCES NEWS
FOR GROWERS
IN THE MADERA COUNTY GSAs**

OCTOBER 2023



GET IN TOUCH WITH US

Point of Contacts

Each grower will now be assigned a Water Resources Specialist in our department to serve as their primary contact. In the near future, you can expect to receive an email from one of our team members introducing themselves as your designated point of contact.

Extended Office Hours

Great news! We are now offering extra office hours. If you need to meet with your point of contact or someone in general for questions about your allocation, measurement, or any other GSA-related inquiry, please [schedule an appointment](#), reach out to us at (559) 662-8015 or explore our online resources at maderacountywater.com.

GSP STATUS UPDATES

Madera Subbasin GSP

The Madera Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plans have been considered incomplete.

Chowchilla Subbasin GSP

The Chowchilla Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan has been deemed inadequate.

Delta-Mendota Subbasin GSP

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2023 OPT-IN ENROLLMENT

We're in the process of sending letters to landowners with parcels classified as Never Irrigated.

Landowners who have parcels classified as Never Irrigated and intend to use groundwater

for irrigated agriculture in 2024 will need to notify the County GSAs by **November 30, 2023**. Landowners with Never Irrigated parcels should keep an eye out for the letter as it contains more important information on this process. Approved parcels will be allocated a sustainable yield and come with associated fees and reporting requirements.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

California Small Agricultural Business Drought & Flood Relief Grant Program



The California Small Agricultural Business Drought & Flood Relief Grant Program will provide relief to small agricultural businesses that experienced a decline in annual gross receipts or gross profits due to drought or storm flood conditions.

For more information, please read the [flyer](#), or visit the [CalOSBA's website](#).

EVENTS, MEETINGS AND RESOURCES

Grower Experience With Recharge Event

OCTOBER 18, 2023, 10AM – 1PM (LUNCH SERVED)



MADERA COUNTY FARM BUREAU
1102 S PINE STREET, MADERA CA 93637

GROWER EXPERIENCE WITH RECHARGE

- An update on Madera / Chowchilla 2022 - 2023 recharge events
- Highlighted successes and challenges of 2023
- Q&A with growers' recharge experiences
- Current and future recharge events and opportunities
- Grower financial incentives



REGISTRATION: WWW.MADERACHOWCHILLARCD.ORG/WORKSHOPS-EVENTS/
OR CALL (626) 483-1345

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EXPERIENCIA CULTIVADOR CON RECARGA

- Una actualización sobre los eventos de recarga Madera/ Chowchilla 2022 - 2023
- Exitos y desafíos destacados de 2023
- Preguntas y respuestas con las experiencias de recarga de los productores
- Eventos y oportunidades de recarga actuales y futuros
- Incentivos financieros para los productores



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Register today or Call (626) 483-1345.

Women for the Land Learning Circle & Resource Fair



Women in agriculture:
Join us to learn about accessing services to support water resilience and financial stability on Merced-area farms.

WOMEN FOR THE LAND LEARNING CIRCLE & RESOURCE FAIR

VICKY ESPINOZA, PH.D.
Groundwater management expert, Vicky Espinoza, will lead discussion how drought is impacting water and land use in the San Joaquin Valley and share how farmers can get involved in shaping water policy and management.

JEAN OKUYE, FARMER
Farmer and landowner, Jean Okuye, will lead a tour of her almond farm and orchard to show how she has improved water resilience on her farm with the help of conservation practices, grants, and technical assistance.

**OCTOBER 19
9 AM - 2 PM**
MERCED COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OFFICE
2145 WARDROBE AVE, MERCED, CA 95341

REGISTER HERE
BY VISITING THE QR CODE
OR BY CALLING
Ursula Stock (English) - (906)-361-4339
Anel Trujillo (Español) (559) 385-1517

Free to attend. Lunch provided. Interpretation will be provided in Spanish.

Chowchilla Subbasin GSP Advisory Committee Meeting

The Chowchilla Subbasin GSP Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet at 10:00 am on October 24, 2023. Your in person participation is preferred but if not possible you can participate by Zoom call.

To join In-person:

Chowchilla Water District
327 S. Chowchilla Blvd, Chowchilla, CA 93610
Office 559-665-3747

To join by Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81491539517?pwd=S3ZPeU1yRTFWKzJUcVFKS294R3VNdz>

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Meeting ID: 814 9153 9517

Passcode: 914375

Agribusiness Management Conference



[Registration](#) is now open for the 42nd Annual Agribusiness Management Conference.

When: Wednesday, November 8, at 8 a.m.

Location: Pardini's, 2257 W. Shaw Ave., 93711

The Almond Conference 2023

Save the date! December 5-7, 2023 at the SAFE Credit Union Convention Center
(1401 K St, Sacramento, CA 95814).

The Almond Conference is an annual, three-day conference that brings together hundreds of companies dedicated to furthering the almond industry. [Register today!](#)

Delta-Mendota Subbasin Newsletter



To read about SGMA activities in Delta-Mendota Subbasin, please view the [Delta-Mendota Newsletter](#) or visit <https://deltamendota.org/>.

MEASUREMENT

Land IQ

If you've selected Land IQ as your measurement method, the reports were sent out last week. Please be on the lookout for your report!

IrriWatch

If IrriWatch is your measurement method, your reports for the previous month will be live around the 10th of the month.

Private Meter

Don't forget to upload your photos once a month between the first and tenth. Make sure to take a photo even if you are not pumping. You will receive a SMS autoreply message within two minutes of making your monthly meter submission!



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