



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

**APRIL 2024**



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**RECHARGE**

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Congratulations to growers in the Madera County GSA for now having a [Recharge Credit Policy!](#)

## **Summary of the Recharge Credit Policy**

The recharge credit policy is retroactive to January 1, 2023. It allows for credits from purchased water for recharge and for water taken under the executive order used for recharge. The credits have a base of 75% with the ability to increase to 90% with some effort on the growers' part. Your Water Resources Specialist will work with you to gather information necessary for the 75% base credit and then help if you need more information on getting to 90%.

### **Actions that we are taking with the Recharge Credit Policy**

Your Water Resources Specialist is inventorying the materials that you have submitted if you conducted recharge in 2023. Make sure to respond to emails and phone calls so that we have the information you need for a credit. We can only give you a credit if you submit all the information to us. Here is summary of what you might be asked:

- Name, address, email and phone number
- GPS coordinates of diversion, APNs where recharge occurred, crop types on which recharge occurred, method of diversion and source of recharge water
- Capacity of basin (if you used a basin)
- Your own estimate of soil infiltration rate, and rate of diversion
- Before and After photos of meters with a total amount
- Map of recharge site

If you're interested in obtaining a credit above 75%, reach out to your Water Resources Specialist for help.

### **Future Notes on Recharge Crediting**

For 2025, growers will need to extract any recharge credit from the aquifer in which the water was placed. This means if you farm where there is a [Corcoran Clay layer](#), you will need a well that is screened only above the Corcoran Clay. Prepare now for 2025 by making sure you have a well that fits this criteria. You can submit a well completion report to us if you need that reviewed.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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### Nitricity Field Day Event

Explore Nitrogen Management and Environmental Impact at the workshop co-hosted by the Madera/Chowchilla Resource Conservation District (RCD), ofi, and Nitricity.



**1.5 CCA & CDFA INMP Credits Pending**

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**ofi - Nitricity Field Day Event**

**Location: ofi Puma Ranch, Chowchilla, CA**  
**Date: Friday, April 19th, 2024**  
**Time: 10:30AM - 12PM**  
**Lunch will be served after the event**

**TOPICS COVERED:**

- **Nitrogen Management and Environmental Impact**

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RESOURCE  
CONSERVATION  
DISTRICT**

Registration at [www.nitricity.co/events](http://www.nitricity.co/events)

For more event information and to register, [click here](#).

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## Tastes Like Tropical Fruits: Understanding Fruit Flavors and Aromas from the Tropics Workshop



On April 19, 2024, UC Davis is hosting a workshop on led by a sensory analysis and communication expert who will give you the tools to better understand sensory attributes of a wide range of tropical fruits, and how to use them appropriately to describe tastes and flavors found in EVOO.

For more event information and to register, [click here](#).

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## Recharge for Farms, Nature, and People



Sustainable Conservation invites you to join the webinar series on Wednesday, April 24, 2024 for conversations focused on multibenefit recharge.

For more event information and to register, [click here](#).

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## The International Olive Sustainability Conference



The UC Davis Olive Center is hosting an International Olive Sustainability Conference (IOSC) September 5 – 7, 2024.

Discover the latest in sustainable olive farming and oil production at the conference.

Learn about soil health, biodiversity, and more, with a focus on both human and planetary well-being. Engage with global experts, farmers, and producers, and enjoy post-conference tours, tastings, and networking. Join for a unique opportunity to advance sustainability in the olive industry.

For more event information and to register, [click here](#).

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## CONTACT US

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For questions, please contact your Water Resources Specialist directly, call us at (559) 662-8015, email [ETmeasurement@maderacounty.com](mailto:ETmeasurement@maderacounty.com), visit our [website](#), or [schedule an appointment](#).

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