

**Cosumnes Subbasin SGMA Public Workshops  
Winter 2019**

*The last set of public workshops in the subbasin was held in October 2017. Below is a very rough first-cut at an outline for a new set of public workshops for consideration by the Working Group. We provide this mostly to give you a sense of our thinking and spark conversation. It's our expectation (and strong recommendation) that we would form a small group of interested Working Group members to help us plan the workshop details. We look forward to your feedback!!*

- Timing: March/April 2019 (proposed)
- Location: 2-3 workshops spread throughout the subbasin (e.g., Amador, Wilton, Galt)
- Conveners: Working Group-Planning Team; requires active support and participation by GSAs
- Purpose: Continue broadening awareness of groundwater sustainability dialogue and requirements; launch the GSP development phase; seek input on current topics under discussion
- Agenda:
1. Overview of subbasin's effort to meet sustainable groundwater requirements
    - This would be a bit of a do-over from earlier workshops but is likely important as we would hope to have first-timers in the mix. It's also a chance to catch folks up on recent developments (grant funding, work plan, etc.)
  2. Introduce the GSAs
    - We think it's crucial that these workshops include an opportunity to spotlight the GSAs so attendees have a chance to understand the critical role you play in this process. We'll need to give collective thought on the best way to do this. Ideally, GSAs would play an active role in the workshop itself.
  3. Information needs
    - This would be an opportunity to share information received from water users to-date and flag the opportunity for people to contribute to our understanding of the subbasin's groundwater use and needs.
  4. Stakeholder Engagement and Outreach Plan
    - Workshops early this year will give us a great and important chance to roll out the Stakeholder Engagement and Outreach Plan and get feedback from the public on ways to strengthen it. This is a key step - both to make people aware of the outreach efforts and to make sure we're getting it right.
  5. Initial Discussion: What does groundwater sustainability mean to you?
    - This would be an opportunity to get attendees actively involved in some kind of substantive discussion. One option to focus the conversation: Ask folks to share their perspectives on what "groundwater sustainability" looks like to them?
    - We could also consider other questions. The point is to get people engaged and thinking about the underlying purpose of this whole effort.
- Other: As we learned from the last round of workshops, effective outreach is key to getting folks in the room so we will need to give this serious thought. We also will need active GSA support in recruiting participation, as well as considering ways to make better use of social media before and during the workshops.

In addition to the public workshops, we envision conducting smaller meetings/briefings with interested water user types (e.g., tribal, aquaculture, GDE-interested stakeholders, etc.) to foster widespread awareness and input. We would work closely with GSAs to identify groups to meet with.