

**Cosumnes Subbasin SGMA Working Group Meeting  
Meeting #40**

Meeting held June 17, 2020 [Online]

Prepared by the Consensus Building Institute and the Water Forum

**MEETING-IN-BRIEF**

The June 17<sup>th</sup> Cosumnes Subbasin Working Group (WG) meeting began with updates on grants and SGMA activities in neighboring subbasins.

The Cosumnes Subbasin technical consultant EKI presented an update on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) development. Key points included:

- CoSANA recalibration effort is still underway, which may delay efforts to start work on the subbasin’s water budget.
- GSAs continue to obtain access agreements, but additional monitoring sites are needed to round out the monitoring network.
- Deeper discussion on the Sustainable Management Criteria (e.g., minimum thresholds, measurable objectives, interim milestones, etc.) is on hold until all representative monitoring sites are confirmed.
- The group discussed considerations for establishing management areas. Most GSA representatives indicated management areas do not appear necessary; two GSAs (SRCD and Amador County) indicated they wish to further discuss with their respective GSA boards.

**GSP-Related Decisions:**

- The Working Group took no formal actions related to GSP development at its June meeting
- Discussions indicated strong support among 5 of the 7 GSAs to have one Management Area; two GSAs are still considering

Working Group members discussed additional representatives for the Surface Water Advisory Group. The group also requested EKI provide additional information about groundwater dependent ecosystems (GDEs) that will help GSAs conduct future outreach and help SWAG members better understand what is known about GDEs in the subbasin.

Based on discussion and the Outreach & Engagement Committee recommendations, the Working Group approved moving forward with holding an online public meeting in August.

**ACTION ITEMS**

Topic	Who	What
DoC Watershed Coordinator Grant	Mike W	Send WG a template letter of support for the Dept of Conservation Watershed Coordinator grant application.
	GSAs	Send Mike W letters of support for DoC Watershed Coordinator application; due date TBD
DWR FSS	WF/CBI	Confirm purpose and scope of the to-be-formed long-term governance committee and connection, if any, with DWR-supported FSS discussions
	GSAs	Expect to hear from Craig Moyle regarding anticipated FSS funding being sought by SRCD and to be made available to interested GSAs
Funding Opportunities	GSAs	Refer to DWR update for information on additional grant opportunities

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Tribal Engagement	CBI	Coordinate with Barbara W and Holly to schedule a planning call with WF/CBI to discuss tribal outreach; will include planning for Holly to present on tribal engagement at future WG meeting
Well Access & Monitoring Network	Linda and EKI	Connect to discuss well access needs for the July sampling
	GSAs	Review GSA insurance policies to determine if private landowners and/or the GSAs have liability coverage for consultants conducting work on landowners' property. Reach out to SRCD to learn about their approach.
	EKI	Update the monitoring network status table to include the additional desired gauges described in the proposed EKI amendment.
	GSAs	Push to complete EKI list of outstanding well and land access needs by July 1.
GDEs	EKI	Provide GSAs with more information that will support outreach to landowners to request access for GDE analyses - e.g., written description of consultant's potential activities while on the property
	EKI	Develop GDE maps to help the GSAs focus their landowner outreach (e.g., overlay with satellite image, parcel data, prioritized desired locations, and GSA boundaries)
	EKI	Consider feasibility and merits of Prop. 68 consultant obtaining more sounding readings within the proximity of more wells near the river to help better ground truth GDE locations
	EKI	Consider and report back to the WG on potential GDE analyses that need to be addressed in the short term (particularly while we have Prop 68 funds), and what can be addressed as part of the GSP 5-year update
SWAG	WF/CBI	Contact new SWAG members (Bill Myers with Sheldon Community Assoc was confirmed and approved by WG). Consider additional SWAG members County Farm Bureau, local Cattlemen's Association, and ag-res representative for other GSAs like O-H WD). Lindsay Liebig volunteered for County Farm Bureau; Jay to introduce someone for local cattlemen's association). Contact suggested individuals as warranted.
	Jay S	Introduce or send contract information for Cattlemen's Association to WF and CBI to gauge interest in participating on the SWAG.
	SRCD	Members will discuss SRCD representation on the SWAG.
Management Areas	CBI	Follow up with Amador County to determine if it wants to establish a separate management area for itself.
	Austin	Send EKI SRCD's 2018 resolution to establish itself as a management area.
	EKI	Draft brief Tech Memo regarding regulatory need and SGMA restrictions for management areas, specifically 1) if the subbasin has one management area, does the rest of the subbasin automatically become a management area; 2) are there any management/planning issues to address for the non-contiguous portions of SRCD if SRCD is its own management area; and, (3) any potential costs associated with SRCD's proposed jurisdictional management area.
Communication and Outreach	CBI	Finalize factsheet per discussion (update Amador County's point of contact; update Galt City email domain)

CBI	Send doodle poll to WG members to gauge availability for public (evening) online workshop in first week of August
Outreach Committee	Consider other public outreach strategies per discussion: how to fold in GDE issues into the public workshop, utilizing DWR's written translation services for materials like the factsheet, newsletter (at least quarterly, possibly more frequent depending on level of detail), etc.
CBI	Post virtual workshop notice on webpage
CBI	Share memo summarizing public meeting considerations given Covid-19

### Meeting Documents

[Agenda](#) | [2 – EKI Technical Presentation](#) | [3a – SWAG Update Presentation](#) | [3b – Prop 68 Task 6 GDE Verification](#) | [4 – Long Term Governance Committee Presentation](#) | [5 – Draft Governance Committee Guidelines](#) | [6 – GSP Governance Summary Table](#) | [7 – Outreach & Engagement Committee Presentation](#) | [8 – Updated Virtual Public Workshop Draft Agenda](#) | [9 – Updated Draft Fact Sheet \(6-16-20\)](#) | [10 – DWR SGMA Update \(6-8-20\)](#)

## DISCUSSION – KEY THEMES

Below is a summary of key themes discussed at the meeting. This summary is not intended to be a meeting transcript. Rather, it focuses on the main points covered during the group’s discussions and any action items.

## UPDATES

### GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN UPDATES

#### Grant status – Prop. 68 and TSS

Linda Dorn, Sacramento County, reported that the county may seek an amendment to the Prop. 68 grant to allow for installing gauges instead of monitoring wells. DWR indicated they do not foresee a problem. John Lowrie reported that he submitted a TSS grant and is awaiting a response.

Mike Wackman, OHWD, reported that he will have a work plan outlining cost shares next week for the Prop 68 grant. Bennett Brooks, CBI, and Wackman discussed including this item on next month’s agenda. John Fio, EKI, added that the insulation of the gauges will be part of the matching funds and changes to the grant do not affect EKI budget.

#### ESJ / South American updates

Linda Dorn reported that 12 comments were submitted on the Eastern San Joaquin (ESJ) Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP). Most had to do with interconnected surface waters and groundwater-dependent ecosystems (GDEs). Concerns with drinking water and domestic wells were also mentioned. The GSP and comments are posted on the DWR portal.

Tom Gohring, Water Forum, reported that the South American Subbasin Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been approved by all GSAs in the basin, and the consultant team has started meeting. Some basin boundary work remains but is expected to be resolved with no foreseeable complications.

## **GENERAL UPDATES**

### **Financial/grant related issues**

None.

### **Dept. of Conservation SGMA Watershed Coordinator grant**

Mike Wackman reported that the CA Dept of Conservation announced the coordinator grant opportunity is open for applications. Wackman will be reaching out to GSAs for support letters.

### **FSS Grant Application**

Austin Miller, SRCD, reported that SRCD was awarded support for a facilitator on the individual GSA level. DWR will extend the same offer to other GSAs in the subbasin, and Craig Moyle will be reaching out to GSAs to get a sense of their interest.

### **Relevant updates from Subbasin GSAs**

Brooks reported that Holly Roberson, a SRCD consultant familiar with tribal outreach, will meet initially with the planning team to consider ways to strengthen tribal outreach and then participate in a future Working Group meeting to share her thoughts on tribal engagement with the GSAs.

### **Next Steps**

- Mike W to send WG a template letter of support for the Dept of Conservation Watershed Coordinator grant application.
- Interested GSAs to send Mike W letters of support for DoC Watershed Coordinator application; due date TBD
- WF/CBI to confirm purpose and scope of the to-be-formed long-term governance committee and connection, if any, with DWR-supported FSS discussions
- GSAs are to expect to hear from Craig Moyle regarding anticipated FSS funding being sought by SRCD and to be made available to interested GSAs
- CBI to coordinate with Barbara W and Holly to schedule a planning call with WF/CBI to discuss tribal outreach; will include planning for Holly to present on tribal engagement at future WG meeting

### **Public comment**

A DWR representative encouraged participants to refer to the [DWR update](#) for information on additional grant opportunities.

## **GSP TECHNICAL WORK PROGRESS AND PLANNING**

**EKI Technical Presentation #18:** <http://cosumnes.waterforum.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/2-EKI-Technical-Presentation-June-17-2020.pdf>

### Three-month look ahead

#### Near-Term Priorities

[Refer to [slides 3, 5, and 18](#)]

- **[Top Priority]** Push to complete EKI list of outstanding well and land access needs by 7/1. Well sites on aquaculture and almond/walnut farms are needed. GSAs also asked to send EKI photos of well sites.
- Deeper discussion on the Sustainable Management Criteria (e.g., minimum thresholds, measurable objectives, interim milestones, etc.) is on hold until all representative monitoring sites are confirmed.
- Finalize CoSANA model calibration. Once calibrated, EKI can use the model to work on the water budget and preliminary estimate of sustainable yield (TM#8)
- Identify and install monitoring wells as needed (July-December)
- Working Group to decide whether to establish Management Areas, which will inform when EKI can begin drafting TM #10 (Delineation of Management Areas).

#### CoSANA Update

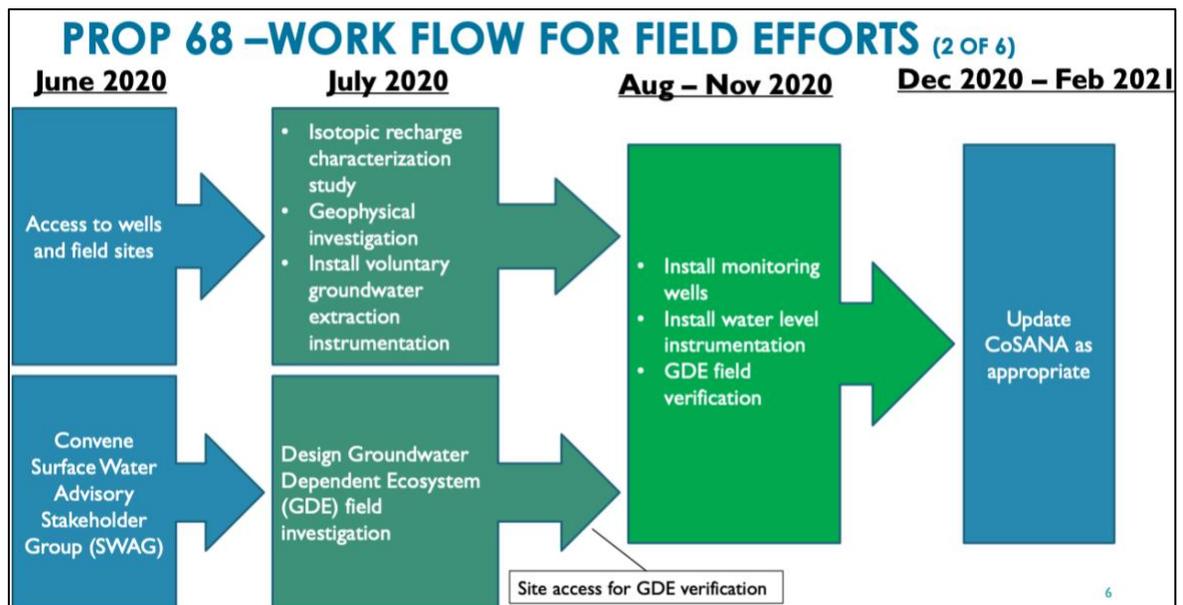
[Refer to [slide 4](#)]

John Fio reported that EKI and its subcontractor continue to calibrate the CoSANA model and will likely complete this work in the next month.

#### Prop 68 and Land / Well Access

[Refer to [slides 5-10](#)]

EKI reviewed the timing and workflow for planned field work activities under Prop. 68 (see flow chart below). Two major field work efforts will occur simultaneously in the coming months: 1) access to wells and field sites for the purposes of isotopic sampling, geophysical investigations, and/or groundwater extraction measurements; and 2) GDE field investigations.



EKI also provided an update on GSAs’ progress towards securing well access (see table below). GSAs have made progress obtaining access permissions but still continue to have challenges securing the remaining access permissions. EKI conveyed that deeper discussion on the Sustainable Management Criteria (e.g., minimum thresholds, measurable objectives, interim milestones, etc.) cannot move forward until all representative monitoring sites are confirmed.

SGMA MONITORING NETWORK STATUS (6 OF 6)								
GSA	Number of Wells						Number of Gauges	
	WL Rep. Monitoring Sites	WL Confirmed Accessible (6/3/20)	WQ Rep. Monitoring Sites	WQ Confirmed Accessible (6/3/20)	ISW Rep. Monitoring Sites	ISW Confirmed Accessible (6/3/20)	ISW Rep. Monitoring Sites	ISW Confirmed Accessible (6/3/20)
Amador WA <sup>1</sup>	6	6	5	4	--	--	--	--
City of Galt	1	1	2	2	--	--	--	--
Clay WD	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	--
Galt ID	2	0	1	0	--	--	--	--
OHWD <sup>1</sup>	1	1	2	2	2	1	3	0
Sac County	3	2	1	0	4	2	1	0
SRCD	6	1	3	1	1	1	1	0
<b>eki</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes TSS sites.

**Discussion:**

- An SRCD representative asked if EKI plants to extend the transects for geophysical work west from the river. EKI responded that two of the sites selected were chosen because there were corresponding northwest segments.
- A Sac County representative asked for clarification around the July 13-17<sup>th</sup> sampling. EKI indicated it hopes to complete as many isotopic samples as possible during that week (EKI and Sac County to connect offline to further discuss details).
- A WG member asked if the table shows the gauges requested in the Prop 68 amendment. EKI responded that it does not and committed to updating the table once this information is finalized.
- WG members discussed liability concerns that may be contributing to landowners’ reluctance in granting access. SRCD has looked into its own insurance policy and the possibility of asking the insurance company to add the landowners to SRCD’s policy when requested.
- An SRCD representative asked if GSAs need to have the access agreements prior to the July 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> visits. EKI answered that these dates account for scheduled site visits for initial sampling and well inspection; verbal agreement may be adequate but it is up to GSAs to decide if written agreements are needed. EKI further explained that the geophysical study is expected to begin in July/August.

**Next Steps**

- GSAs to take photos of site location and wells by July 1<sup>st</sup> and share with EKI.
- EKI, well contractor and GSAs representatives will make site visits during week of July 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Linda Dorn and John Fio to discuss well sampling needs offline.

- As appropriate, GSAs to review their insurance policies to determine if private landowners and/or the GSAs have liability coverage for consultants conducting work on landowners' property. As helpful, GSAs are to reach out to SRCD to learn about their approach.
- EKI will update the monitoring network status table to include the additional desired gauges described in the proposed EKI amendment.
- GSAs are to push to complete EKI list of outstanding well and land access needs by July 1. This includes direct outreach to the Public Water Systems and other well owners in their respective areas. (Refer to TM#9, EKI's email dated 11 June 2020, and the last two Working Group presentations for additional reference).

### Review and discuss options for possible Management Areas

[Refer to [slides 11-17](#)]

EKI provided a brief overview of the potential need for establishing Management Areas (MAs), possible approaches for defining MA boundaries (e.g., based on groundwater-dependent ecosystems distribution), and implications on the monitoring network.

**MANAGEMENT AREAS (CCR §354.2) (1 OF 7)**  
**Why Include Management Areas (MAs)?**

- Can define some key GSP elements differently between MAs:
  - **SMCs (e.g. Minimum Thresholds, Measurable Objectives)**
  - Monitoring frequency
  - Projects & Management Actions (P&MAs)

**- BUT -**

- MAs not necessary to accomplish the above
- Regardless of MAs, GSAs have the local authority and responsibility for GSP implementation

EKI added that the WG will need to decide in the coming months on how it wants to approach Management Areas given its decision on MAs has ramifications for: (1) EKI approach to completing TM #10 (Delineation of Management Areas) as required by the Prop 68 grant; and (2) Management Area requires separate planning elements (e.g., SMCs, monitoring, projects and management actions, etc.) specific to that Management Area.

The GSAs were asked to share their current thinking on the need for Management Area designations, and/or what additional information they need to make that decision.

#### Discussion:

- Sacramento County, Clay Water District, City of Galt, Galt ID, OHWD and Galt ID all said they do not see the need to designate any Management Areas. Amador Water Agency is to consider the question further.

- An SRCD representative commented that SRCD passed a resolution that reserved the option to designate itself as a Management Area. He added that he feels designating Management Areas will be easier upfront. SRCD is to consider this further at its next Board meeting.
- A WG member shared concerns about potential additional costs for GSP implementation if a separate Management Area were established and suggested that if a GSA designates a Management Area along its jurisdictional lines, that GSA should cover the additional costs.
- Participants were unsure whether, if one Management Area is established, then the rest of the subbasin would default to a Management Area. EKI is to research into the question.
- A Water Forum representative also raised the question about how to approach a jurisdictionally defined Management Area with non-contiguous land coverage.

**Next Steps:**

- Austin Miller, SRCD, will send the 2018 SRCD resolution regarding MAs to EKI.
- EKI will develop a brief Technical Memorandum regarding regulatory need and SGMA restrictions for management areas, specifically (1) if the subbasin has one management area, does the rest of the subbasin automatically become a management area; (2) are there any management/planning issues to address for the non-contiguous portions of SRCD if SRCD is its own management area; and, (3) any potential costs associated with SRCD's proposed jurisdictional management area.
- The Planning Team will follow up with Amador County and SRCD to determine if it wants to establish a separate management area for itself..

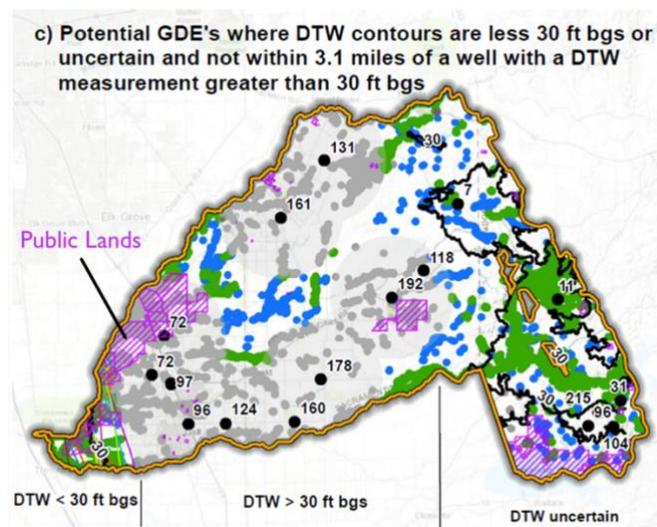
**Public Comment**

A member of the public expressed concerns about the implications of a GSA designating itself as a Management Area. Brooks responded that EKI has committed to looking into the questions and concerns raised during the WG discussion and will report back to the group.

**Plan for Surface Water Advisory Group (SWAG)**

**SWAG Presentation:** <http://cosumnes.waterforum.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/3-SWAG-Update-Presentation-June-17-2020.pdf>

EKI presented the proposed GDE assessment work plan and approach and introduced the concept of field access needs for in-field GDE survey. Fio showed a map demonstrating that most GDEs appear to be outside of public land areas and will require access from landowners to conduct field verification. Also, other subbasins are finding that most GDE maps are not sufficiently accurate, further emphasizing the need for field investigations to verify the presence/absence of GDEs.



As mentioned before, currently EKI and the GSAs are focused on obtaining access agreements to wells and field sites; however, at some point in the relatively near future (after the first meeting of the Surface Water Advisory Group) permissions will be needed to access sites for GDE verification.

The SWAG is expected to meet starting in July and have four meetings between July and April 2021. Anticipated meeting topics include (but are subject to change depending on what information has been presented to the WG first):

- 1) Basin Setting Review and SWAG input on the Conceptual Geohydrologic Model (TM #6) with particular emphasis on surface water features; Undesirable Results with respect to depletion of interconnected surface water, and proposed workplan to conduct GDE field verifications
- 2) Monitoring Network and input on the approach for developing the Sustainable Management Criteria
- 3) Feedback on the proposed Sustainable Management Criteria
- 4) Feedback on proposed Projects and Management Actions

Brooks reiterated that a main objective of the SWAG is to receive feedback from non-GSAs that will be presented to the WG for consideration. The role of GSA representatives serving on the SWAG is expected to be primarily focused on listening to the range of input and ask clarifying/exploratory questions to better understand others' interests.

Brooks reviewed the current status of outreach for SWAG participants, noting that additional efforts are being made to solicit involvement of all groups below:

<p><b>NGOs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cosumnes Coalition – Confirmed (Melinda Frost-Hurzel)</li> <li>• TNC – Confirmed (Jake Sahl)</li> <li>• ECOS – Confirmed (Jason Wiener)</li> <li>• EDF – Confirmed (Pablo Garza)</li> <li>• CA Sportfishing Alliance – invited; no response</li> </ul>	<p><b>Agency Reps</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CDFW – Confirmed (Bridget Gibbons)</li> <li>• USFWS – Confirmed (Paul Cadrett)</li> <li>• NMFS – Confirmed (Monica Gutierrez)</li> <li>• BLM /Cosumnes Preserve – Confirmed (Harry McQuillen)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Tribal</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wilton Rancheria - Pending</li> <li>• Ione Band of Miwok Indians – Pending</li> <li>• Jackson Rancheria Band of Miwok Indians - Pending</li> </ul>	<p><b>Other</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAWQA – very interested; Amanda Watson</li> <li>• South American – Confirmed (John Woodling, Mike Wackman, Linda Dorn, Ted Rauh)</li> <li>• Ag-Res (Elk Grove)– Amelia Vankeuren</li> <li>• RD 800 – Pending</li> <li>• Eastern San Joaquin – Pending</li> </ul>

**Discussion:**

- A WG member asked for a map of GDEs with more markers to be able to identify where they are located, determine which landowners in the area may be able to help and gauge how difficult it will be to gain access approvals. The group discussed maps with parcel boundaries and GSA boundaries.
- Rodney Fricke, Sac County technical consultant, commented that GDE maps have a lot of informative metadata available (e.g., what species are present). Fricke added that some components of GDE verification may be able to wait until later in the GSP process.

- GDE Pulse is a tool produced by The Nature Conservancy that uses remote sensing to track metrics associated with ecosystem health through time.  
<https://gde.codefornature.org/#/home>
- The group discussed potential outreach strategies that could help address landowner concerns about granting property access. Ideas included:
  - Making the information anonymous where possible.
  - Consider whether soundings could be taken to determine if the water table is less than 30 feet (EKI indicated that several areas on the map do not have soundings).
  - Explore whether a property owner is open to allowing a drone survey as an alternative to on-the-ground land access.
  - Have the Outreach Committee consider how to fold this information into public meeting(s).
- The group discussed the following potential additional SWAG members: the Sheldon Community Center, Farm Bureau, Cattlemen's Association, and other ag-res representatives.
- SRCD has not yet designated a representative for the SWAG. An SRCD representative suggested his organization have two representatives on the SWAG, given that interests and needs differ on either sides of the Cosumnes River.

#### **Next Steps:**

- EKI tasks include:
  - Provide GSAs with more information that will support outreach to landowners to request access for GDE analyses - e.g., written description of consultant's potential activities while on the property
  - Develop GDE maps to help the GSAs focus their landowner outreach (e.g., overlay with satellite image, parcel data, prioritized desired locations, and GSA boundaries).
  - Consider feasibility and merits of Prop. 68 consultant obtaining more sounding readings within the proximity of more wells near the river to help better ground truth GDE locations.
  - Consider and report back to the WG on potential GDE analyses that need to be addressed in the short term (particularly while we have Prop 68 funds), and what can be addressed as part of the GSP 5-year update.
- Water Forum and CBI will contact new recommended SWAG members (Bill Myers with Sheldon Community Assoc was confirmed and approved by WG). Water Forum and CBI will also consider additional SWAG members from the County Farm Bureau, local Cattlemen's Association, and ag-res representative for other GSAs like OHWD. (Lindsay Liebig volunteered for County Farm Bureau; Jay Schneider to introduce someone for local cattlemen's association). Water Forum and CBI will contact suggested individuals as warranted.
- SRCD GSA Members will discuss SRCD representation on the SWAG.

#### **Public Comment**

A member of the public asked about ag-res representation in OHWD in the SWAG. Brook responded that the name of the ag-res representative was suggested not for location but expertise, but he reassured the member of the public that the group would consider the comment.

Lindsey Liebig, Executive Director of the Sac County Farm Bureau, commented that her organization would be happy to participate and feels it would be important to have ag represented.

Liebig added that they are involved with the GSP development in SCGA and South American sub-basin.

## OTHER WORKING GROUPS AND COMMITTEES

### Outreach and Engagement Committee

Stephanie Horii, CBI, and Austin Miller, SRCD, shared updates from the Outreach and Engagement Committee in a **presentation**: <http://cosumnes.waterforum.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/7-OE-Committee-Presentation-June-17-2020.pdf>

**Draft virtual public meeting agenda**: <http://cosumnes.waterforum.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/8-Virtual-Public-Workshop-Draft-Agenda-updated-6-10-20.pdf>

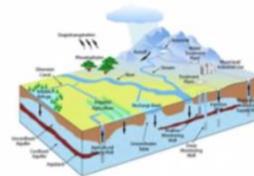
**Draft fact sheet**: <http://cosumnes.waterforum.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/9-Cosumnes-SGMA-fact-sheet-updated-6-16-20.pdf>

Per WG direction, the Committee has been exploring strategies for advancing public outreach and engagement given COVID-19 impacts. O&E members received guidance and lessons learned from multiple sources, resulting in several key insights. For instance, in-person meeting option is unlikely in the next few months, and the WG should not wait until social distancing restrictions are lifted (i.e., “something sooner is better than nothing and waiting”). Online meetings will not enable the same level of learning and engagement, but is probably the best near-term option. Online meetings will be more effective if the initial meetings focus heavily on educating to help ensure everyone has a common understanding of the issues.

The O&E Committee recommended holding an online public meeting (target date: early August). The Committee requested WG guidance on whether to move forward with coordinating a virtual public meeting, approval to finalize the 2020 factsheet, and other outreach strategies the Committee should consider (e.g., brief monthly updates sent through the mailchimp list-serve).

### Proposed Cosumnes Public Meeting Agenda

- Objectives
  - SGMA and WG Refresher
  - What we learned this past year
  - What we’re working on now and in the coming year
  - Outreach moving forward
- Topics fairly the same, with more emphasis on educating and informing
  - Web Map Demo
  - Groundwater Conditions
  - Monitoring Network and Data Collection
  - Looking Ahead: Planning for Sustainable Groundwater Use
- Timing – Summer
  - First week of August?



**Discussion:**

- Multiple GSAs commented that they felt positively about having a virtual public meeting.
- A Sac County representative mentioned they may send a postcard to invite folks to the meeting in addition to using the email listserv. She added that she preferred quarterly updates.
- Bennett Brooks noted the myriad logistical challenges in holding in-person meetings while meeting social distancing requirements (spacing, amplification, etc.).
- A WG member commented that she attended DWR's webinar and incorporating public input was very highly emphasized.
- WG members varied in opinion on the frequency for email updates (some preferred quarterly, others pointed to other basins that provide brief monthly updates).

**Next Steps:**

- CBI will finalize factsheet per discussion (update Amador County's point of contact; update Galt City email domain)
- CBI will send a doodle poll to WG members to gauge availability for public (evening) online workshop in first week of August
- The O&E Committee will consider other public outreach strategies per discussion: how to fold in GDE issues into the public workshop, utilizing DWR's written translation services for materials like the factsheet, newsletter (at least quarterly, possibly more frequent depending on level of detail), etc.
- CBI will post virtual workshop notice on webpage
- CBI will share memo summarizing public meeting considerations given COVID-19

**Long-Term Governance Committee**

Due to meeting time constraints, this topic was deferred to July's meeting.

**Public Comment**

None.

**NEXT MEETING**

The Working Group will next meet on July 16, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, via Zoom Meeting: <https://cbuilding.zoom.us/j/95582571206> | Join audio by phone: +1-669-900-6833 | Meeting ID: 955 8257 1206

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Additionally, members of the public and DWR attended the meeting.

## **GLOSSARY**

Below is a list of commonly used terms:

<b>CBI</b>	Consensus Building Institute - The organization that facilitates SGMA implementation in the Cosumnes Subbasin
<b>CoSANA</b>	A groundwater model being developed by Woodard & Curran which covers the Cosumnes, South American and North American subbasins.
<b>DTW</b>	Distance to water, or the depth at which the ground is saturated.
<b>DWR</b>	California Department of Water Resources
<b>EKI</b>	The firm that currently serves as independent technical consultant for the Cosumnes Subbasin
<b>Galt ID</b>	Galt Irrigation District ( <a href="#">link</a> ) - One of the seven GSAs in the Cosumnes Subbasin
<b>GSA</b>	Groundwater Sustainability Agency
<b>GSP</b>	Groundwater Sustainability Plan
<b>OHWD</b>	Omochumne-Hartnell Water District ( <a href="#">link</a> ) - One of the seven GSAs in the Cosumnes Subbasin
<b>QAQC</b>	Quality Assurance and Quality Control Plan ( <a href="#">link</a> )
<b>RFP</b>	Request for Proposal
<b>RFQ</b>	Request for Qualification
<b>Prop. 1</b>	Proposition 1
<b>SGMA</b>	California Sustainable Groundwater Management Act ( <a href="#">link</a> )
<b>SRCD</b>	Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District - One of the seven GSAs in the Cosumnes Subbasin
<b>SSCWA</b>	Southeast Sacramento County Agricultural Water Authority ( <a href="#">link</a> )
<b>TAC</b>	Cosumnes Subbasin Technical Advisory Committee – An advisory body, with representatives from each of the seven GSAs, that develops recommendations for approval by the Working Group.
<b>WF</b>	Sacramento Water Forum ( <a href="#">link</a> )

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