



COSUMNES SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN OPEN HOUSE PUBLIC WORKSHOP

September 16, 2021 | Wilton Community Center | 9717 Colony Rd, Wilton, CA 95693
Afternoon (3:30-5:00 pm) | Evening (6:30-8:00 pm)

Workshop Series Purpose

The Draft Cosumnes Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) is a 20-year roadmap for achieving sustainable management of groundwater use in the southeastern portion of Sacramento County and parts of Amador County. The Draft GSP is open for a 60-day public comment period (Aug 18 – Oct 20). The Cosumnes Subbasin Working Group, on behalf of the seven local agencies working on the Cosumnes GSP, are hosting a series of public workshops August through October to share and discuss the Draft GSP.

Agenda

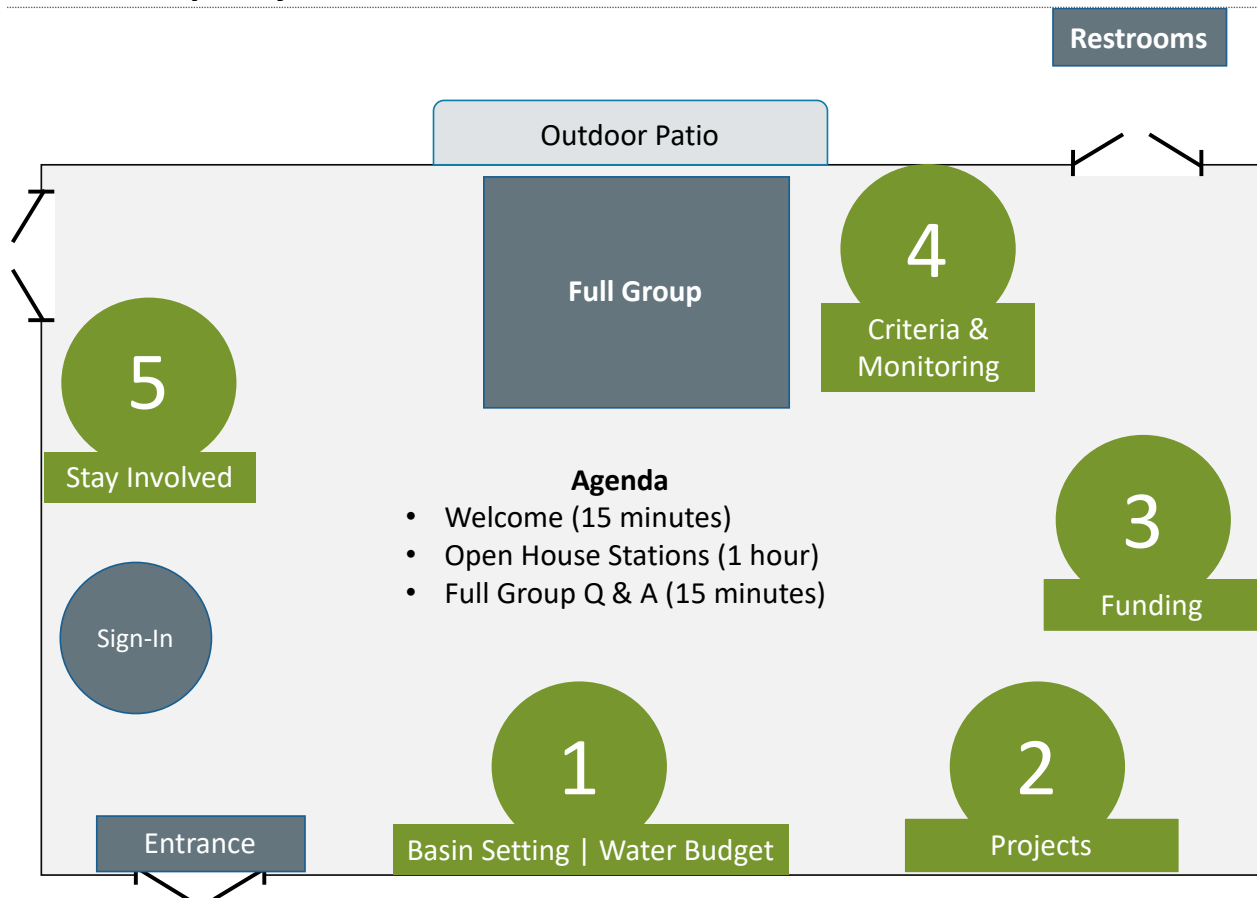
Afternoon Session	Evening Session	Agenda Item
3:00 – 3:30	6:00 – 6:30	Doors Open Registration <i>Sign in, receive meeting materials</i>
3:30 – 3:45	6:30 – 6:45	Welcome & Introductions <i>Full group welcome and workshop overview</i>
3:45 – 4:45	6:45 – 7:45	Open House Stations <i>Visit stations</i>
4:45 – 5:00	7:45 – 8:00	Plenary Q&A Wrap Up <i>Full group open Question & Answer, next steps and wrap-up</i>

In this Workshop Packet

- Meeting Agenda
- Workshop Layout | Workshop Points of Contacts
- Station Descriptions and Resources
- How to Comment
- Workshop Survey & Comment Card (yellow page)



Workshop Layout



Workshop Points of Contact

- **Stephanie Horii** – Facilitator (@Sign-In and Station 5 Stay Involved)
- **Austin Miller** – Cosumnes Public Information Officer (@ Station 2 Projects)
- **Stephen Julian** – Watershed Coordinator (@Station 4 Criteria and Monitoring)

Key Acronyms

GSA – Groundwater Sustainability Agency
GSP – Groundwater Sustainability Plan
SGMA – Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

Additional terms and acronyms are explained here:

GSA Contacts and Glossary Handout – <https://bit.ly/CosumnesContactsGlossary-2021>



Station Descriptions and Additional Resources



Entrance and Registration

Sign in and receive workshop packet

Materials:

- Sign-in sheet
- Workshop packet
- Extra Workshop feedback survey & comment cards

Additional Resources:

- GSA Contacts and Glossary Handout – bit.ly/CosumnesContactsGlossary-2021
- “How to Comment” and Public Workshops handout - bit.ly/Cosumnes-DraftGSP-CommentsHandout



Station 1 – Basin Setting & Water Budget

What is the issue with groundwater use in the Cosumnes Basin?

Additional Resources:

- Groundwater Conditions Factsheet - [bit.ly/CosumnesGroundwaterConditions Factsheet 7-2021](https://bit.ly/CosumnesGroundwaterConditions_Factsheet_7-2021)
- Domestic Well Owner Factsheet - [bit.ly/CosumnesWellOwners Factsheet 3-2021](https://bit.ly/CosumnesWellOwners_Factsheet_3-2021)



Station 2 – Projects

Projects and management actions that could raise groundwater levels

Additional Resources

- Projects Factsheet: bit.ly/CosumnesProjects_Factsheet_3-2021



Station 3 – Funding

What will this cost? How will the Subbasin pay for this program? What will it cost if we fail?

Additional Resources:

- Funding page on website – <https://cosumnes.waterforum.org/funding>
- GSP Implementation and Funding Factsheet – bit.ly/CosumnesFactsheet_Implementation-Funding



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Station 4 – Criteria and Monitoring

Sustainable Management Criteria and Monitoring Network – How do we measure sustainability and track progress? How are we evaluating and adapting?

Additional Resources:

- Monitoring Networks Maps - bit.ly/CosumnesMonitoringMap
- Groundwater Conditions Maps - bit.ly/CosumnesGWConditionsMap
- Groundwater Conditions Factsheet - bit.ly/CosumnesGroundwaterConditions_Factsheet_7-2021

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Station 5 – Resources and Stay Involved!

What's next? Why should I stay involved? What are my input opportunities? Where can I get more information? Who can I contact for more questions?

Materials:

- 1 copy of the Draft Groundwater Sustainability Plan
- Summary Brochure of the Draft GSP - bit.ly/CosumnesGSP-Brochure-PRINT
- Extra workshop packets and feedback surveys/ comment cards
- Help identifying your GSA using an interactive map: bit.ly/cosumnesmap

Additional Resources:

Draft GSP

- Draft GSP page on the website - cosumnes.waterforum.org/draft-gsp-comment-period
- “Rapid Read” summary of the Draft GSP - bit.ly/CosumnesGSP-RapidRead
- Technical Executive Summary of the Draft GSP - bit.ly/Cosumnes-DraftGSP-ExecutiveSummary
- “How to Comment” and Public Workshops handout - bit.ly/Cosumnes-DraftGSP-CommentsHandout

Providing Input

- Get Involved page on the website - cosumnes.waterforum.org/get-involved
- GSA Contacts and Glossary Handout – bit.ly/CosumnesContactsGlossary-2021

**All workshop materials will be posted to the website (Cosumnes.WaterForum.org).
Visit the website to access materials from previous workshops and meetings.**





Managing Groundwater in the Cosumnes Subbasin

Public Comment Period Open

Upcoming Public Meetings

Draft Plan Public Comment Period Aug 18 – Oct 20

Visit Cosumnes.WaterForum.org to view the Draft GSP and learn how to submit comments.

Comments due:
10.20.2021

Public Meetings Aug 26 | Sept 16 | Oct 6

Draft GSP Overview Meetings
(two methods for participating):
Webinar | August 26, 6:30-8:00
In-Person Workshop, two time slots (Wilton Community Center)
September 16, 3:30-5:00p; or
September 16, 6:30-8:00p

Follow-Up GSP Webinar (for follow-up questions / comments)
October 6, 6:30-8:00p

Go to Cosumnes.WaterForum.org to register for events.

Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP)

In response to a state law enacted in 2014, a roadmap for how groundwater will be managed over the next two decades will be finalized this year. The goal is to balance the amount of groundwater pumped with the amount that is replenished each year by nature or humans. The Draft Groundwater Sustainability Plan is available for public review and comment through October 20, 2021.

Why do we need a plan?

Extended drought and historic overpumping threaten the long-term future of groundwater resources necessary to support our needs, including urban, domestic, agricultural, industrial, and environmental. The State requires local agencies to develop and adopt a GSP by January 2022. If the Cosumnes Subbasin fails to meet state-mandated requirements, the State may intervene at a much higher cost than if we retain local control.

What is in the plan?

With a target of increasing groundwater recharge by 20,000 acre-feet per year, the Cosumnes Subbasin plan includes projects that put more winter flood water into the aquifer (recharging) and options that reduce usage.

What is the impact on you?

The good news is that an effective plan will mean that people will be able to count on their wells even in dry years. But there are costs to implement and monitor whatever plan is adopted.

Who is developing the GSP?

Since 2017, seven local agencies have been working together to develop the GSP with support and input from subject-matter experts, stakeholders, and the community. View this handout to learn who is your local agency representative and how you can contact them: bit.ly/CosumnesContactsGlossary-2021

Questions about an upcoming event? Contact Stephen Julian at CosumnesGSP@gmail.com or 254.640.0155
Si necesita solicitar alojamiento para asistir a un próximo evento, incluidos los servicios de traducción, comuníquese con Stephen Julian a CosumnesGSP@gmail.com o al 254.640.0155

We look forward to seeing and connecting with you!
Learn more at Cosumnes.WaterForum.org



Draft Groundwater Sustainability Plan Comment Period

The Draft GSP for the Cosumnes Subbasin is Available for Review

The Cosumnes Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) are pleased to announce the Draft Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) for the Cosumnes Subbasin is available for public review and comment as of August 18th, 2021. This 60-Day Public Comment Period will end on October 20, 2021, when the Draft GSP will become a key milestone for implementing the state-mandated Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.

We invite you to learn about the Cosumnes Groundwater Sustainability Plan and provide comments with your feedback.

Submit a comment through one of three methods:

1. **Submit comment(s) via Online form.**
Visit Cosumnes.WaterForum.org/draft-gsp-comment-period to access the form.
2. **Submit multiple comments by email.**
Visit Cosumnes.WaterForum.org/draft-gsp-comment-period to access the comment form to attach with your email.
3. **Mail Comments to the Watershed Coordinator** (post-date by October 20, 2021)
Cosumnes Subbasin GSP
c/o: Stephen Julian
8970 Elk Grove Blvd.
Elk Grove, CA 95624

Important Notes:

- You can submit multiple comments.
- Remember to submit comments by **October 20, 2021, 11:59 p.m.**
- We strongly encourage you to attend the public webinars / workshop. Visit Cosumnes.Waterforum.org for event information.
- If you have trouble finding or accessing information listed here, contact the Watershed Coordinator Stephen Julian CosumnesGSP@gmail.com / 254.640.0155