



Implementing the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act In the Salinas Valley



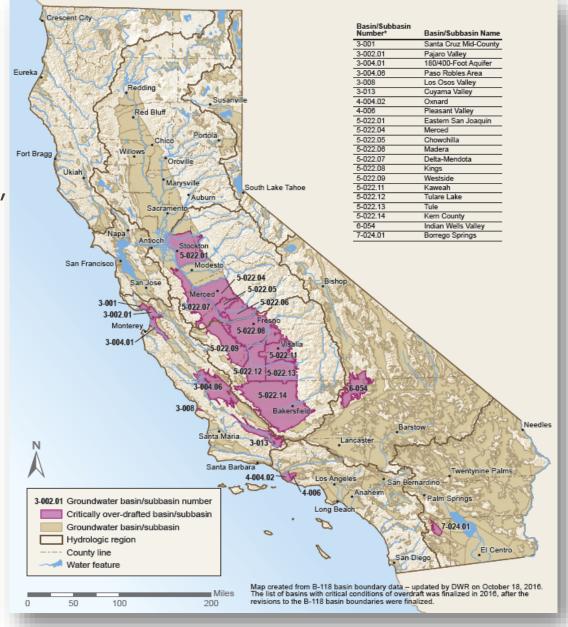






# Who Does SGMA Apply To?

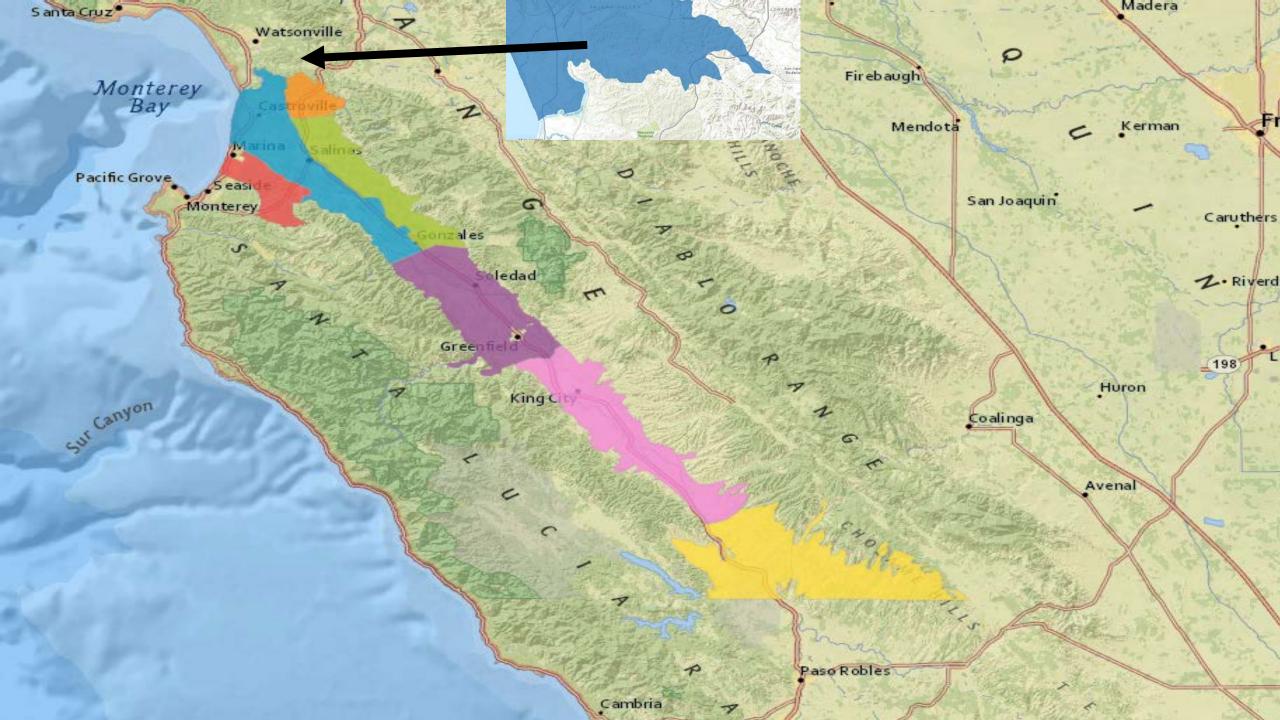
- There are 515 groundwater basins in the State
- SGMA applies to the 127 "high and medium priority" basins
- 21 basins are critically-over drafted
  - Parts of Salinas Valley
  - Santa Cruz Mid-County
  - Pajaro Valley



## Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency

- Formed as a Joint Powers Authority
  - Monterey County
  - Monterey One-Water
  - Monterey County Water Resources Agency
  - Castroville Community Service District
  - Cities
    - King City
    - Soledad
    - Gonzales
    - Salinas
  - Contract Agency
    - No full time employees
    - No legacy costs
    - Regional Government Services

- Board Representation
  - Agriculture
    - Forebay
    - Eastside/Langley
    - Pressure 180-400
    - Upper Valley
  - CPUC Regulated Water Company
  - Environmental
  - Disadvantaged Community/ Small Public Water Systems
  - Other Eligible GSA Entity
  - City of Salinas
  - South County Cities
  - Public Member



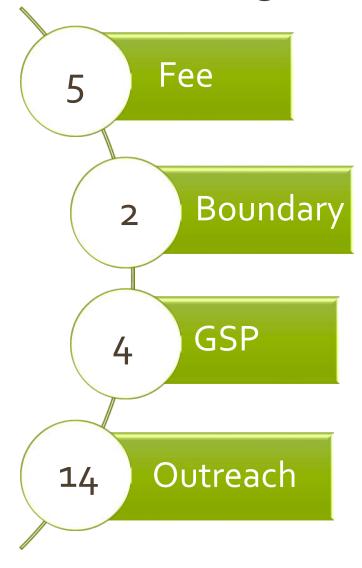
# **Guiding Principles**

- Understanding where people are and what they want will direct our actions
- Inclusion and diversity produce better results
- Doing it together is the right, though difficult, thing to do.

# Total Governance Meetings 43



# Total Public Meetings 25



Number of Meetings <u>68</u>

# Who Will Pay the Regulatory Fee?

- All beneficiaries of sustainable groundwater management in the SVBGSA management area
- 2 Groups of Beneficiaries: Agriculture & All Other
  - **Agriculture** pays per Irrigated Acre no exceptions; includes land irrigated with surface water
  - All Other pays per Service Connection no exceptions; includes beneficiaries that may also have a private well and beneficiaries not actively taking water through the service connection

**Exempt:** De Minimus Extractors, Federal Properties

# Fee Approved March 14, 2019

#### Calculated Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2019/20

Proposition 26 Regulatory fee

Sustainable Groundwater Beneficiary	Annual Fee FY 2019/20		Water Usage
Agricultural	\$4.79	Per Irrigated Acre	90%
All Other	\$2.26	Per Service Connection	10%
State of California Cost	\$110 Row Crop	9	
	\$93.50 Berries	Per Irrigated Acre	

Estimated Domestic Water Usage Per Connection .36 acre foot (approximately 117K) gals)



### **SGMA** Timeline

SGMA Start Jan 1, 2015

**Basin Modification** 2016

**GSA Formation** 2017

**GSP** Development 2018 – Jan, 31 2020 (or 2022)



Lowering

GW Levels



Reduction

of Storage



Intrusion



Degraded

Quality



Subsidence

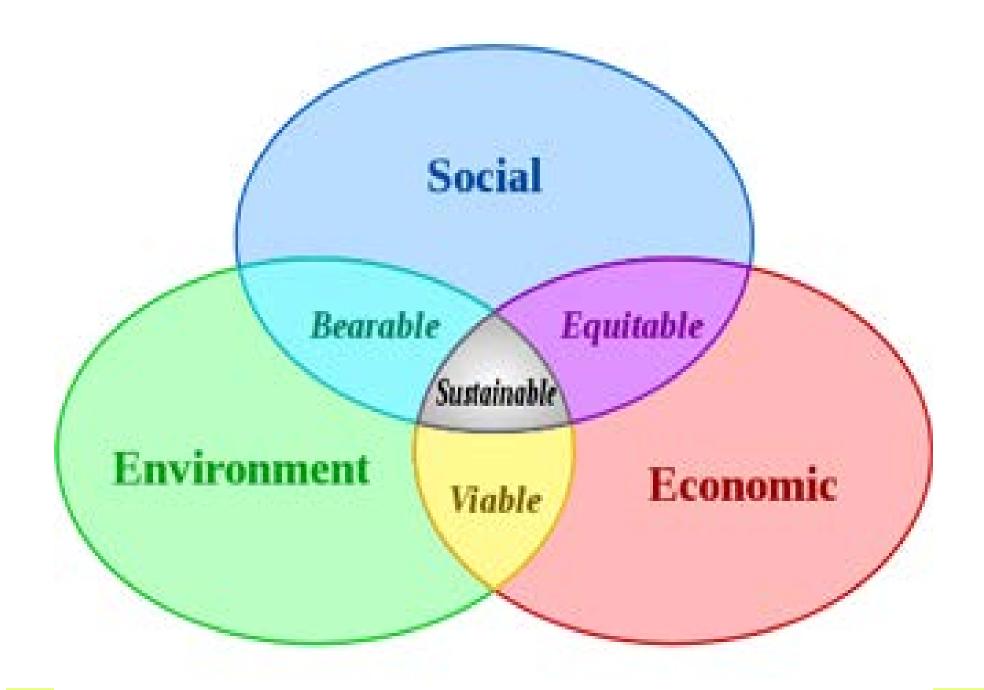


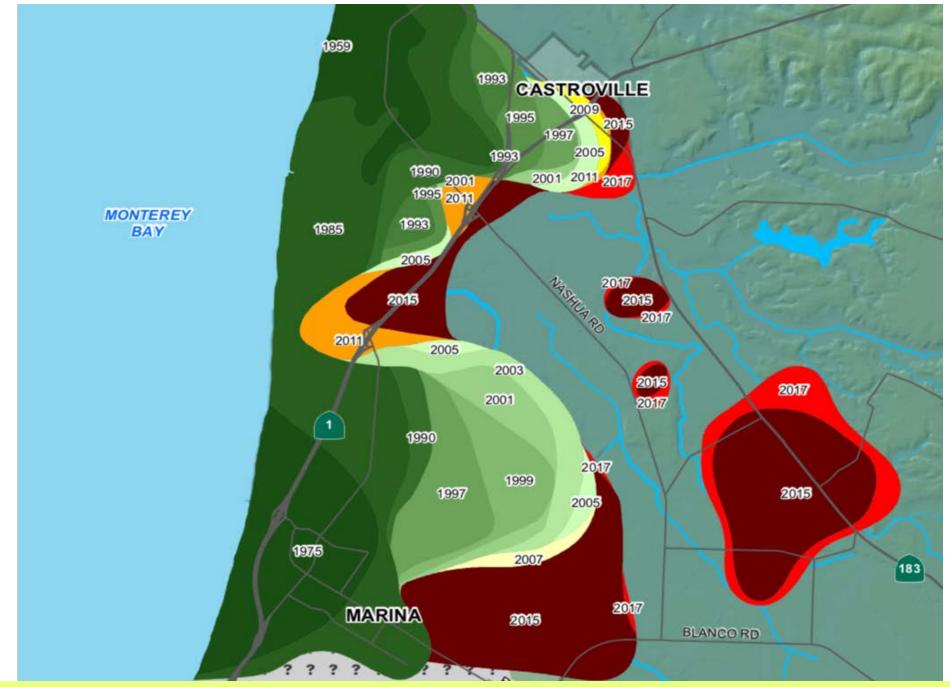


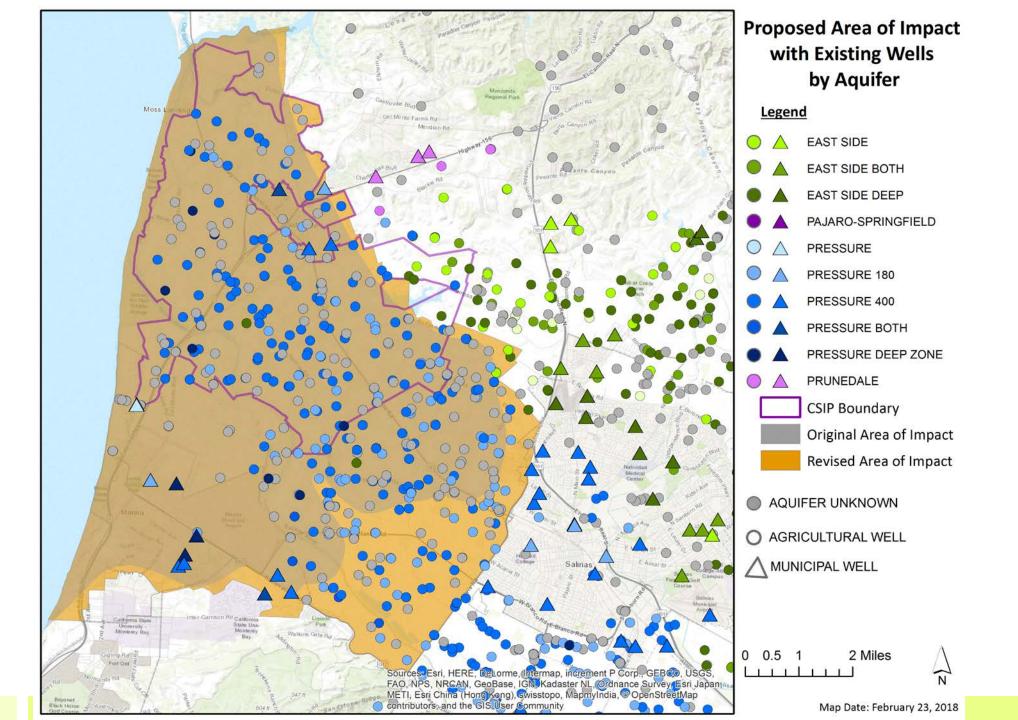
Surface Water Depletion

2020 – 2040 <u>Achieve</u> Sustainability within **20 years** 

2040 – 2070 <u>Maintain</u> Sustainability for next **30 years** 



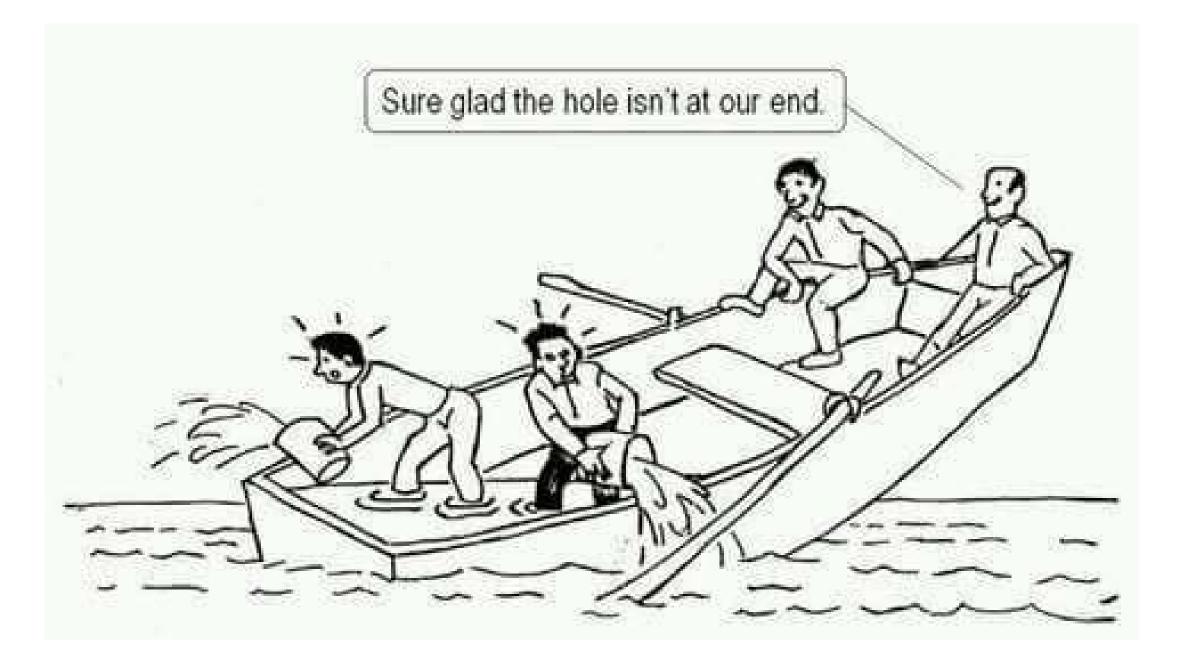




# Tragedy of the commons

"A dilemma arising from the situation in which multiple individuals, acting independently and rationally consulting their own self-interest, will ultimately deplete a shared limited resource, even when it is clear that it is not in anyone's long-term interest for this to happen."

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tragedy\_of\_the\_commons





# **Questions and Comments**

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