



## Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Notice of Public Hearing

On Thursday, May 13, 2021 at 3 p.m., the SVBGSA Board of Directors will hold a public hearing on Zoom to consider adopting a resolution to increase the Groundwater Sustainability Fee for the Salinas Valley Groundwater Basin depicted in the map below. The regulatory fee supports the typical annual operation costs of the Agency's regulatory program as authorized by the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, including the development and revision of groundwater sustainability plans. The Fee is reviewed every year by the SVBGSA Board of Directors.

Under the proposed increased fee schedule, agricultural beneficiaries would continue to be responsible for 90% of the Fee revenue and all other beneficiaries would continue to be responsible for 10% of the Fee revenue. The table below summarizes the changes to the Fee. The increased Fee is estimated to fund \$1,364,800 (85%) of Fiscal Year 2021/22 operating costs.

Fee Application	FY 2019/20	FY 2020/21 no change	FY 2021/22 5% increase
Irrigated Acre	\$4.79	\$4.79	\$5.03
Connection	\$2.26	\$2.26	\$2.37

The Fee is collected in the same manner as ad valorem property taxes pursuant to Water Code section 10730 (d) with the exception of some service connections, which are billed directly by the SVBGSA. More information regarding the Fee can be viewed at <https://svbgsa.org/fee-study>. Contact General Manager Donna Meyers at [meyersd@svbgsa.org](mailto:meyersd@svbgsa.org) with any questions. The URL to the Zoom meeting is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/104139260>. Passcode is 2020 if prompted. To dial into the meeting, call 1-669-900-6833 and use ID 104 139 260. Any questions on getting into the Zoom meeting can be emailed to [tregenzah@svbgsa.org](mailto:tregenzah@svbgsa.org).

