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DWR Releases Guidelines on GSA Formation

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) has released its guidelines for local agencies to follow when forming a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA).



Senate Bill 13 (Pavely), which was passed in September and becomes law in January 2016, adds new requirements and clarifications to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) with regard to GSA completeness reviews and overlapping boundaries.

SB 13 changed DWR's role with respect to reviewing and posting groundwater sustainability agency (GSA) formation notices.

SB 13 also authorizes mutual water companies as participants in groundwater sustainability agencies.

To view the new GSA formation guidelines, [click here](#).

For more information on SB 13, [click here](#).

DWR will be hosting a webinar in November to explain how SB 13 will impact GSA formations. Once the details for the webinar are announced, we will be sure to notify CalMutuals members.

Water Board to Host Three Public Workshops on Prop 1

The State Water Resources Control Board's Division of Financial Assistance will hold three public workshops throughout California in November to provide information regarding the Groundwater Sustainability Program – Proposition 1 (Assembly Bill 1471, Chapter 10).



The workshops will provide stakeholders an opportunity to hear progress on the upcoming draft guidelines and comment on the scope and direction the State Water Board staff is proposing.

Workshop Details:

SACRAMENTO

November 16, 2015

1:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

11020 Sun Center Drive, #200

Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

To register, [click here](#).

LOS ANGELES

November 17, 2015

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Regional Water Quality Control Board

320 W. Fourth Street, Suite 200

Los Angeles, CA 90013

To register, [click here](#).

FRESNO

November 18, 2015

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Regional Water Quality Control Board

1685 E. Street

Fresno, CA 93706

To register, [click here](#).

Note: The State Water Board will hold separate public workshops once the Draft Guidelines are posted for public comment.

Upcoming SGMA Informational Meetings

An informational meeting has been scheduled to discuss implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA).



The three hour technical session (intended for local public agencies and organizations) will focus on local agency requirements regarding Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) formation, the status of SGMA implementation within the region, technical and financial assistance programs and the implications of state intervention in the absence of local action.

Below are the details for the upcoming meeting:

NOVEMBER 5th REDDING

Redding City Hall

City Council Chambers

777 Cypress Ave, Redding, CA 96001

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM: Combined technical session and public forum

(This meeting is open to local public agencies, groundwater users and the general public)

For more information on this meeting, [click here](#).

The advertisement features the IFlow Energy Solutions logo on the left, with contact information: 1-888-651-1130, California, Nevada & Arizona, and www.iflowinc.com. The central text reads "kamstrup Ultrasonic Water Meters" in red and white, followed by "Superb Accuracy 5/8\" through 2\"", "Integrated Radio CTEP Approved", and "20 Year Warranty". A list of features includes "Leak Alarm", "No Flow Alarm", and "Burst, Reverse". On the right, a Kamstrup ultrasonic water meter is shown with its digital display and technical specifications. Further right, a smartphone displays a data visualization, with text indicating "Wireless Reading via Smartphone Tablet Laptop or Handheld".