

# MEMO: SVGSP Planning Committee Update, Outreach Update

To: SVGMD, Plumas County  
From: Jenny Gant and Judie Talbot (outreach facilitator)  
Date: February 20, 2023  
Re: Sierra Valley GSP – Planning Committee and Outreach Update

The Planning Committee is submitting the following informational items as a monthly update for February 2023.

## PLANNING COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Planning Committee met on February 2<sup>nd</sup> with agenda items focusing on Round 2 GSP Implementation Grant Schedules and programmatic evaluation.

1. Current Implementation Activities
  - Preparing a draft of the Annual Report
  - Finalize refinements to the Data Management System (DMS) and reporting options

2. Round 2 GSP Implementation Grants: initial awards announced by DWR in May/June

The District could consider releasing a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in April or May, An RFQ be released in April or May, pending the Round 2 grant award; with qualification based on the activities listed in the grant application. If all vendors who submit are qualified, the district can keep all of them on the list.

Tasks would be refined once the final award is made.

Tracey will develop a template and framework, then meet with Jenny – so that the Board can approve release of the RFQ at the April Board meeting. The release date could be May 1<sup>st</sup>.

3. Additional Funding Opportunities for Implementation
  - The Plumas Watershed Funding Forum released an RFP for concept project proposal that advance the Forum Goals:
    - A. Improve water retention for baseflow in streams
    - B. Improve water quality and streambank protection
    - C. Improve upland vegetation management
    - D. Improve groundwater retention and storage in major aquifersSelect applications would be invited to submit a more detailed project description.
  - The Bureau of Reclamation published a funding opportunity for WaterSMART Environmental Water Resources Projects that support: water conservation, water management, and water restoration projects providing significant benefits to ecosystem or watershed health.
  - The California Department of Fish and Wildlife is issuing funding for Drought, Climate, and Nature-based Solutions
4. Planning Committee member are reviewing updates to share with the interested parties list and materials are being updated on the District website.