

MEMO: SVGSP Planning Committee Update, Outreach Update

To: SVGMD, Plumas County
From: Jenny Gant and Judie Talbot
Date: December 13, 2023
Re: Sierra Valley GSP – Planning Committee and Outreach Update

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

PLANNING COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Planning Committee met on December 7th and addressed the following items:

1. Grant Funding for Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Implementation
 - DWR Round 2 Implementation Grant: The GSA is waiting for responses from DWR on comments provided by the GSAs on the grant agreement.
 - CDFW Grant: Contracting is advancing on awarding the first scope of work under this grant agreement and is on the Board agenda. These funds will reimburse the District for the work done on the Annual Report (through the SVGMD Task Order to the LWA team). It was noted that the Period of Performance for this grant extends into 2027, providing a funding source after the DWR Round 2 grant has been closed out.
 - Plumas Watershed Forum: It is expected that the Plumas grant agreement will be sent to the District in January.
2. Technical Activities for the Sierra Valley GSP
 - The application for temporary permits for water rights, for diversion of excess winter flows, will be submitted this week. The complete application includes a diversion recharge map and completed landowner agreements.
3. Other Updates
 - It was suggested that the Board convene an ad hoc committee to discuss the development of the new well ordinance.
 - There was discussion about the request for expansion of service connections at Meadow Brook Park. It is likely that the expansion will result in a designation of a Public Water Supply (PWS), specifically a Community Water System (CWS) if it has 15 or more service connections used by year-long residents **OR** regularly serves at least 25 year-long residents of the area served by the system.