

MEMO: SVGSP Planning Committee Update, TAC Update

To: SVGMD, Plumas County

From: Jenny Gant and Judie Talbot

Date: August 11, 2021

Re: Sierra Valley GSP – Planning Committee and Technical Advisory Committee updates

The Planning Committee is submitting the following informational items as a monthly update for August 2021.

PLANNING COMMITTEE CALL

The SVGSP Planning Committee met on August 5, 2021 to discuss the following items:

- The DWR Survey on Projects and Implementation Funding. This survey requests a high-level estimate of the activities where funding support may be needed for GSP implementation: filling GSP data gaps, studies for long-term planning, engaging with interested parties / beneficial users, project development (i.e., feasibility studies, design reports, etc.), technical and planning assistance, or other.

There is a place to identify categories of GSP projects that are likely to be implemented in the short-term (2-5 years), along with total anticipated construction costs. Lastly, the survey asks for suggestions on streamlining future SGMA grant solicitations and feedback on the grant application process. Laura Foglia will submit the survey response on behalf of the Sierra Valley GSAs; the response is due on August 13 by 5:00 p.m.

- Development of the Notification of Public Hearing to Adopt to GSP, which must be released at least 90 days in advance of the Public Hearing for GSP adoption.
- Additional sections of text for the GSP will be released in the next few weeks for: Sustainable Management Criteria (SMC), Projects and Management Actions (PMAs), and Communication and Engagement. A TAC working session will be convened to review and discuss the text on PMAs (chapter 4) before the September TAC meeting.

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) UPDATE

August 16 TAC Meeting

The tenth TAC meeting was originally scheduled for the evening of August 9th but, as a result of impacts from the River Fire, was rescheduled for the afternoon of August 16th.

The meeting agenda items consisted of:

- Funding Considerations for GSP Implementation: Administrative costs of GSP implementation and options for funding mechanisms.
- Water Budgets: Accounting for inputs and outputs of the hydrologic system

Next TAC Meetings

The next TAC meeting occurs on September 20th at the Sierra Christian Church. The revised “Look Ahead Schedule” outlines the proposed content for GSP activities through January 31, 2022, which is the final date for submittal of the GSP to DWR. (See handout provided at Board meeting.)

September TAC Agenda Concepts

- Review of Sustainable Management Criteria for Sustainable Indicators
- Review of Projects and Management Actions and phased priorities

DWR ASSESSMENTS of GSPs

An overview of the DWR assessments of GSPs will be provided to the Board as an informational item.