

SVGMD Board comments on GSP - 1/10/22

| Location in GSP | Comment | Response / Recommended Action |
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| ch 4 | Well inventory should not be a Tier 1 PMA, put in Tier 2 for domestic wells, no funding, de-emphasize domestic wells | Split into to PMAs - Tier 1 PMA is for existing metering and inventory of large capacity agricultural wells. Inventory of domestic and other wells moved to Tier 2 and considered a potential PMA based on available funding particularly with respect to adding domestic wells. Moved to 4.3.2 |
| 4.3.9 | Conservation easements are not a feasible example of land repurposing and is too specific | references to conservation easements were deleted from the voluntary Land Repurposing PMA (4.3.9) and referred to more generally as areas where there are opportunities for irrigation reductions |
| ch 4 | Aquifer Characterization is more addressing a data gap than a PMA | This PMA was deleted and the information on needing better characterizing the basin (i.e., east vs west, shallow vs deep aquifers) was moved to the data gap appendix |
| 4.3.1 | ag irrigation efficiencies PMA -use of variance frequency drive (VFD) should be added to this PMA | this was added to this PMA |
| 4.3.2 | monitoring network modifications should be characterized as optimizing the networks rather than expanding them | edit made to Inventory an Metering PMA, to say optimize instead of expand |
| ch 1 | clarify that proposed potential monitoring is not required/does not commit SVGMD to conducting potential monitoring | made changes throughout the text to clarify what is required and what is "POTENTIAL" |
| ch 1 | Add description of SVGMD's efforts to manage groundwater prior to SGMA | text added to say that SVGMD was established in 1980 and has been controlling new well construction and monitoring agricultural pumping |
| ch 3 | refer to wetlands as wildlife habitats | edits made |
| ch 3, 4 | modify language to remove references to pumping curtailment | edits made |
| ch 4 | references to grazing/alfalfa are more specific than needed | changed references to 'crop irrigation' and other more generic terms |
| 4.3.3 | add reference to groundwater recharge in the Reoperation of surface water supplies PMA | added text about Badenaugh Creek option |
| 4.2.4 | Number/frequency of meetings will depend on need and available funding | removed number (2-4) and frequency (quarterly) from PMA - exact schedule will be determined |
| 4.3 | Commitment to prioritizing PMAs in February 2022 may be unrealistic | Changed language in introduction to 4.3 to provide longer time frame for this process - will begin process in February 2022 and complete within first year of GSP implementation |

