



**COUNTY OF COLUSA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
**GROUNDWATER COMMISSION**  
*100 Sunrise Boulevard Suite F*  
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**REGULAR MEETING NOTICE OF THE COLUSA COUNTY GROUNDWATER COMMISSION**

**Location:** **Colusa Industrial Properties**  
100 Sunrise Blvd., Colusa, CA 95932  
**Date:** **September 10, 2015**  
**Time:** **1:30-3:30 p.m.**

**Meeting Agenda**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** (\*action item)
  - a. Pledge of Allegiance
  - b. Introductions
  - c. Roll Call
  - d. \*Acceptance of Agenda
  - e. \*Approval of Minutes from June 11, 2015
  - f. Period of Public Comment

*Any person wishing to address the Commission on any item not on today's Agenda may do so at this time. The Commission will not be making a decision or determination on items brought up during Public Comment.*

2. **GENERAL BUSINESS**
  - a. Staff Report
3. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS** (\*action item)
  - a. Presentation/Discussion – Fall Groundwater Levels - Roy Hull, DWR
  - b. Discussion – NASA Subsidence Report - Roy Hull, DWR
  - c. Discussion/Report – Colusa County Urgency Ordinance; Outstanding well permits
  - d. \*Review and Possible Action to Approve Annual Statement of Goals and Objectives
  - e. Discussion – SGMA Updates
  - f. Commissioner Comments and Updates
  - g. Items for next agenda

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

Next Regular meeting date: **December 10, 2015** at 1:30, location TBD

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**Groundwater Commission, regular meeting**  
**September 10, 2015, 1:30-3:30 @ CIP**

**STAFF REPORT**

**Water Users Group**

The Water Users Group met August 25, 2015. General discussion was held regarding: August DWR groundwater measurements, NASA's subsidence report, and the County's temporary moratorium on well permits. Their next meeting will be in November, exact date has not been scheduled.

**Technical Support Team**

Staff, along with the Ag Commissioner and TST members, has worked with Grant Davids Engineering, Inc. on a scope of work to complete a county-wide study of groundwater conditions. The SOW will go to the Board of Supervisors for approval at their September 8 meeting. The work will include an assessment to describe the hydrogeologic and hydrologic characteristics and historical groundwater conditions in the Colusa County portion of the Colusa Subbasin. In addition, a more detailed study will be completed in the area of the county that is demonstrating overdraft: south of Hahn Road and west of the Colusa Basin Drain.

GIS software has been installed and staff is able to work on mapping. Staff has begun mapping all wells in the county, broken out in five year increments so we will be able to clearly see county-wide well development from 1970 to present. This is going to be a long-term, extremely time consuming project. We will have part time help from Department of Agriculture staff beginning in early September.

**Groundwater Conditions**

DWR took groundwater level measurements the first week of August. There will be a report on groundwater levels from DWR at today's meeting. They will be taking measurements again in October.

A NASA subsidence study was completed and results are showing some significant subsidence in the Arbuckle area of Colusa County. DWR will provide information on this report at today's meeting.

**Temporary Urgency Ordinance**

On June 30, 2015, Colusa County passed a temporary urgency ordinance restricting new well permits for six months, through January 31, 2016. Water Resources staff has coordinated with Grand Davids Engineering to complete a county-wide groundwater study that will supplement local knowledge of



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groundwater conditions (see above). The BOS will consider the scope of work at their Sept. 8 meeting. The study will help inform the Commission and the BOS as to how to move forward when the Urgency Ordinance expires. The study will also be a valuable asset for SGMA implementation. We will discuss more during agenda item 3.c.

### **SGMA**

#### **Facilitation Services**

DWR will be providing Colusa County with third party facilitation services for development of GSAs and GSP(s). We will start up a series of meetings with other GSA-eligible agencies in Colusa County to work to determine an agreeable governance structure for our area. We will also utilize the facilitation services to coordinate public outreach meetings.

#### **The following local districts in Colusa County have elected to be, or plan to be, GSAs:**

County of Colusa has filed

Provident and Princeton-Codora-Glenn Irrigation Districts have filed as a joint GSA

Colusa County Water District has filed

RD 1004 has filed

GCID has filed

RD 108 is planning

### **Outreach**

A new Water Resources Update newsletter went out recently. Staff plans to send an update either monthly or bi-monthly to keep the public, as well as our partners, informed on local water-related happenings.