





Draft Vina GSA Groundwater Sustainability Plan - GSP is Available for Public Review

The Vina Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) are pleased to announce that the draft Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) for the Vina Subbasin is available for public review and comment. Preparation of the GSP is a key milestone for implementing the state-mandated Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA).

The documents can be found online:

https://www.vinagsa.org/public-review-draft-groundwater-sustainability-plan-gsp

The Public Comment Period ends October 19, 2021.

Submit a comment through one of two methods:

 Submit multiple comments by email to vinagsa@gmail.com To better organize public comments, we are requesting that commenters use a comment tracking sheet. Visit https://www.vinagsa.org/public-review-draft-groundwater-sustainability-plan-gsp to access the comment form.

2. Mail Comments to:

Butte County Department of Water & Resource Conservation RE: Vina Subbasin GSP 308 Nelson Ave., Oroville, CA, 95965



Important Notes:

- You can submit multiple comments.
- Remember to submit comments by October 19, 2021, 11:59 p.m.
- We strongly encourage you to attend the Public Workshop on October 4, 2021. Visit https://www.vinagsa.org/2021-10-04-webinars-workshops-draft-gsp
- If you have trouble finding or accessing information listed here, please contact us at vinagsa@gmail.com or visit our website www.vinagsa.org

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Public Comment Period

Visit

www.vinagsa.org

to view the draft GSP and learn how to submit comments. Comments are due: October 19, 2021



Public Workshop:

October 4, 2021 6:00-8:00pm In-person Chico Masonic Lodge 1110 W. East Ave. Chico, 95973

Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP)

In response to the 2014 Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), the GSP is a roadmap for how groundwater will be managed over the next two decades. The draft GSP is available for public review and comment through October 19, 2021.

Why do we need a plan?

While the Vina Subbasin is in healthy condition, extended drought and groundwater pumping can threaten the long-term future of groundwater needed to support our needs. The State requires local agencies to develop and adopt a GSP by January 2022. If the Vina Subbasin fails to meet state-mandated requirements, the State may intervene at a much higher cost than if we retain local control.

What is in the plan?

GSPs must assess groundwater conditions and articulate how groundwater management will avoid adverse impacts to beneficial users, including domestic, municipal, tribal, agricultural, industrial, and environmental uses.

GSPs include:

- ✓ Description of plan area and basin setting
- ✓ Current and historical data for six sustainability indicators
- ✓ Discussion of historical and projected water demands and supplies
- ✓ Figures with details of the subbasin
- ✓ Sustainability goal for a desired condition for the entire basin
- ✓ Minimum thresholds, measurable objectives and interim milestones (every 5-years), to achieve the sustainability goal within 20 years
- ✓ Projects and Management Actions for achieving sustainability
- ✓ Implementation Plan including costs, schedule, monitoring, and reporting

Who is developing the GSP?

The Vina GSA and Rock Creek Reclamation District (RCRD) GSA are the two GSAs in the Vina Subbasin, submitting one GSP. The GSP was developed with the support and input from subject matter experts, a Stakeholder Advisory Committee, the Vina GSA Board and Member Agencies (County of Butte, City of Chico, and Durham Irrigation District), the RCRD Board, and the community. Visit www.vinagsa.org for more information or email VinaGSA@gmail.com