



DWR's Groundwater Sustainability Program

Workshop and Informational Meeting for
Southern California
Draft Strategic Plan and Web Based Tools

San Pasqual Tribal Hall
Valley Center, CA
May 7, 2015

AGENDA

Thursday, May 7, 2015

Sustainable Groundwater Management Plan Tools Draft Strategic Plan Workshop

9:00 am to 9:30 am	Registration
9:30 am to 10:00 am	Welcome and Introductions Agenda Review, Guidelines for Discussion Brian Moniz, <i>Senior Engineer, Special Projects, DWR</i> Anecita Agustinez, <i>Tribal Policy Advisor, DWR</i> Dorian Fougères, <i>Senior Mediator and Director, CCP</i> Audience Introductions
10:00 am to 12:00 pm	Sustainable Groundwater Management Act DWR Groundwater Sustainability Program DWR Groundwater Sustainability Program draft Strategic Plan Tim Ross, <i>Senior Engineer, Groundwater Section, DWR</i>
12:00 pm to 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm to 2:00 pm	Monitoring and Data Collection Southern region office staff
2:00 pm to 3:15 pm	Roundtable Discussion Anecita Agustinez, <i>Tribal Policy Advisor, DWR</i> Dorian Fougères, <i>Senior Mediator and Director, CCP</i>
3:15 pm to 3:30 pm	Closing remarks Anecita Agustinez, <i>Tribal Policy Advisor, DWR</i>

Outline

1. Proposition 1 Water Bond Update on Tribal Consultation
2. Tribal Participation and Engagement in DWR's Sustainable Groundwater Management Program

Proposition 1 – Water Bond

Water Quality, Supply and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014

Authorizes \$7.5 B in general obligation bonds and would reallocate \$425 M in unused bonds from prior water bond acts.

The 2014 Water Bond Spending Proposals:

- \$900 M for competitive grants and loans for plans and projects for sustainable groundwater management (\$100 M) and for groundwater cleanup (\$800 M) (Ch 10 Groundwater Sustainability)
- \$2.7 B for surface water and groundwater storage projects to be overseen by the State Water Commission (Ch 8 Water Storage Investment Program)
- \$1.495 B for competitive grants for multi-benefit ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration projects
- \$810 M for integrated regional water management plan projects (Ch 7 Regional Water Quality)
- \$725 M for water recycling and advanced treatment (Ch 9 Water Quality)
- \$520 M to improve drinking water quality
- \$395 M for statewide flood management projects and programs (Ch 11 Flood Management)

SAVE THE DATE

June 9-10, 2015

Two-Day Tribal Consultation on Prop 1 Water Bond

Day 1-June 9, 2015

- Tribal consultation and funding information
- California Water Action Plan
- Proposition 1 Water Bond and the goals of creating partnerships and opportunities for Tribal Governments to access the funding opportunities

Day 2-June 10, 2015

- Specific grant information on the funding opportunities specifically related to Tribes

Dates

Tuesday, June 9, 2015, 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 10, 2015 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Location

Cal/EPA Byron Sher Auditorium

1001 I Street, 2nd Floor

Sacramento, CA 95814

Sponsoring agencies:

- ◆ Department of Water Resources
- ◆ State Water Resources Control Board
- ◆ California Water Commission
- ◆ California Department of Fish and Wildlife



Please RSVP by Monday, May 18, 2015 to:
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Where to Find Draft Guidelines on Proposition 1 – Water Bond

Bond Accountability Website:

<http://bondaccountability.resources.ca.gov/Guidelines.aspx?PropositionPK=48>

The Water Bond requires that the creation of grant guidelines is a transparent and public process.

- Each state agency develops project solicitation and evaluation guidelines
- Three public meetings
- Consider public comments prior to finalizing guidelines

DRAFT document will continue to be updated as timelines are finalized and appropriations are approved.

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Administering Agency/Dept/B	Name of Program	Water Code Section	Jan-15	Feb-15	Mar-15	Apr-15	May-15	Jun-15	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15
Dept. of Water Resources	Integrated Regional Water Management	79744 (a)	Tribal Consultation, Develop Economically Distressed Area definitions/tool, Develop Program Success Measures (NOTE: Final round of Prop 84 \$220m dollars for IRWM to be awarded first)									Post Draft Guidelines & PSP for IRWM		
			Public Scoping Meetings to get Input									Program/Public Comment Period		
Dept of Water Resources	Water Use and Efficiency Grants, Round 1 - Urban and Ag	79746 (a)							Post draft guidelines and PSP	Public meetings	Develop and post FAQs	CNRA consistency review		Post final guidelines and PSP
Dept of Water Resources	Water Recycling - Desalination Grants - Round 1	79765	In Process of Being Developed.											Post draft guidelines and PSP
Dept. of Water Resources	Groundwater Plans and Project Grant Program - Phase 1	79775	Tribal Consultation, Develop Economically Distressed Area definitions/tools, Develop Program Success Measures									Post Draft Guidelines & PSP for		
			Public Scoping Meetings to get Input									Groundwater Grant Program/Public Comment Period		
Department of Water Resources and	Flood Management	79780	In Process of Being Developed.											

http://bondaccountability.resources.ca.gov/PDF/Prop1/draft_schedulev2.pdf?23

Financial Assistance in the Implementation of Sustainable Groundwater Management Plans

Communications & Outreach

Proposition 1 – Water Quality, Supply and Infrastructure Improvement Act provides financial assistance, \$100 million in funding to Groundwater Sustainability Agencies to develop and implement sustainable groundwater management plans

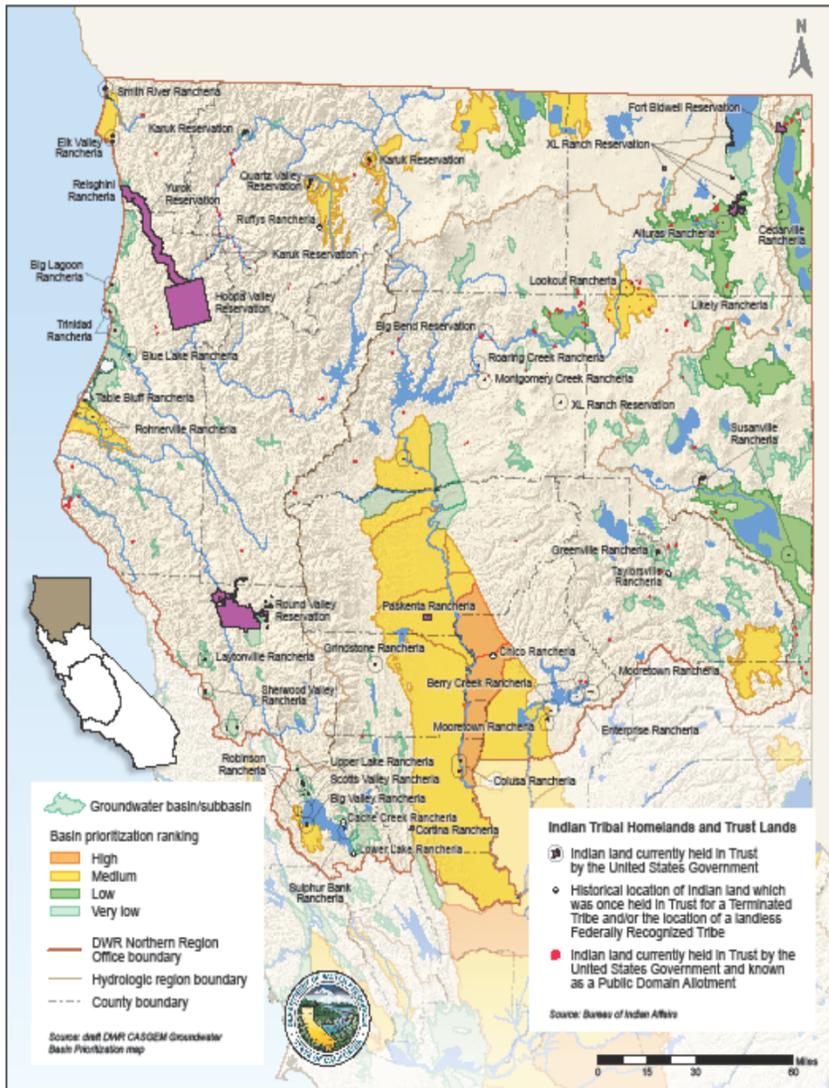
- Through Tribal Consultation and Tribal input in the Strategic Plan in developing implementation guidelines
- Including Tribal Governments in public outreach and workshops
- Development of Technical Assistance Outreach through training and workgroups
- Developing Tribal Specific FAQs and other resources

Tribal Governments & the Legislation

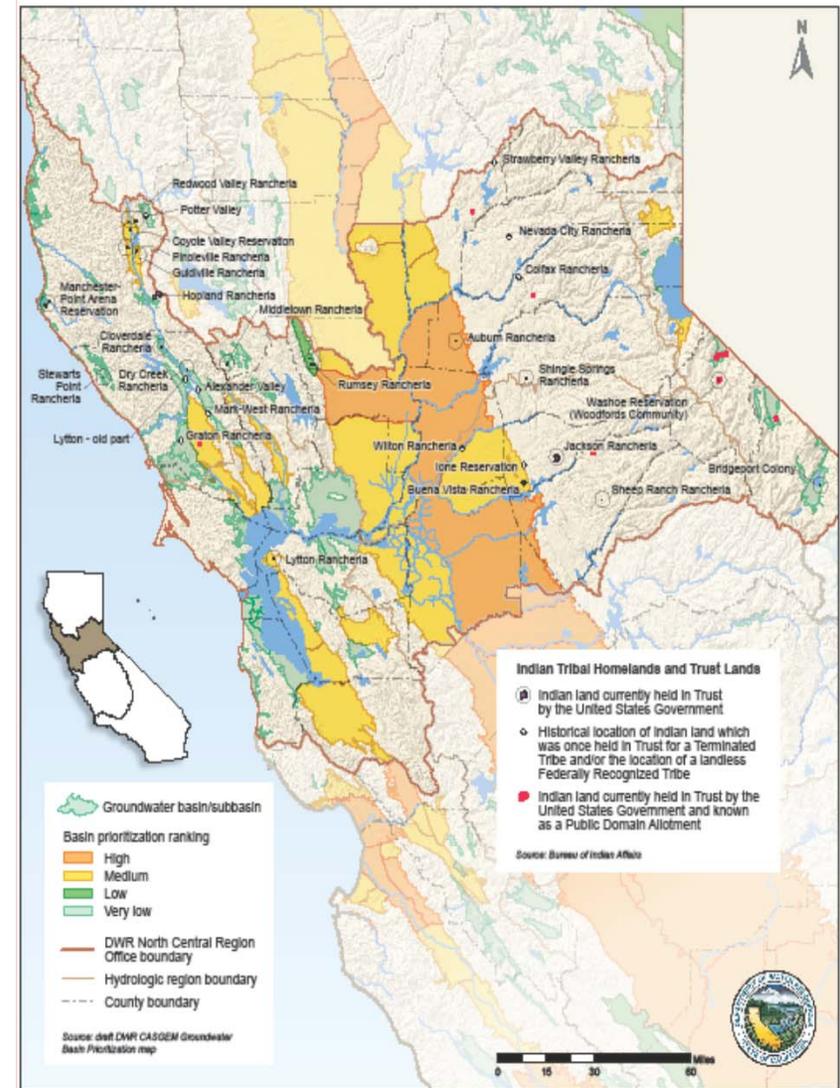
Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

- **A majority of California’s tribal lands rely on groundwater as their primary source of water** because they were created in areas where surface or imported water is not available. Consequently, many reservations overlie groundwater basins for which Plans will be created.
- The Act requires that each Groundwater Sustainability Agency (Agency) consider the **interests of all beneficial users of groundwater in the basin, including Native American Tribes.** (Water Code § 10723.2).
- At the same time, **the Act recognizes Tribal sovereignty**, stating that it applies to Tribes and the federal government only “to the extent authorized under federal or tribal law.” (*Water Code § 10720.3(b)*).
- **The Act encourages Tribes to voluntarily participate in the preparation or administration of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (Plan)** through a “joint powers authority or other agreement with local agencies in the basin.” (*Water Code § 10720.3(c)*).
 - **A participating Tribe can assist with planning, financing, and management under the Plan, and is eligible for “grants and technical assistance” to help the Tribe exercise its inherent regulatory authority to regulate groundwater use.**
- While the Act invites Tribal participation in the Plan process, **absent Tribal approval, the requirements of a Plan do not apply to a Tribe’s use of groundwater.**
- The Act recognizes that in any judicial adjudication of groundwater rights or in the implementation of a Plan, **“federally reserved water rights to groundwater shall be respected in full” and that if there is any conflict “between federal and state law in that adjudication or management, federal law shall prevail.”** (Water Code § 10720.3(d)). The Act states that this language is “declaratory of existing law.”

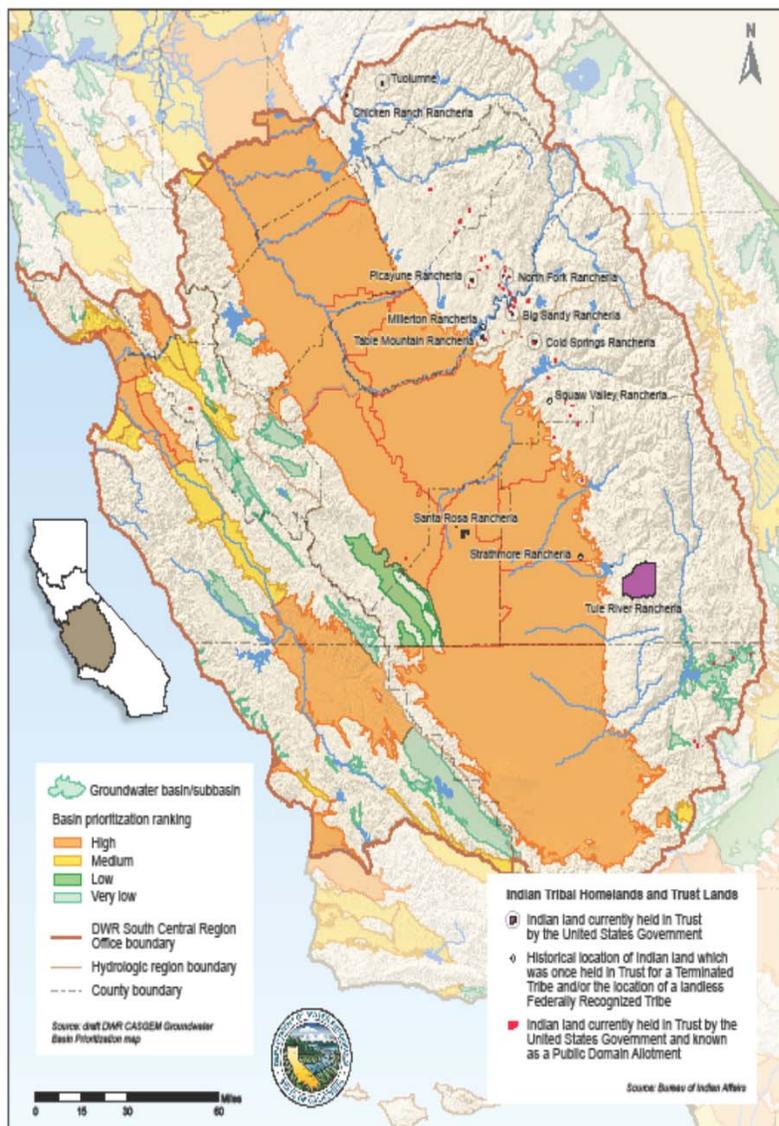
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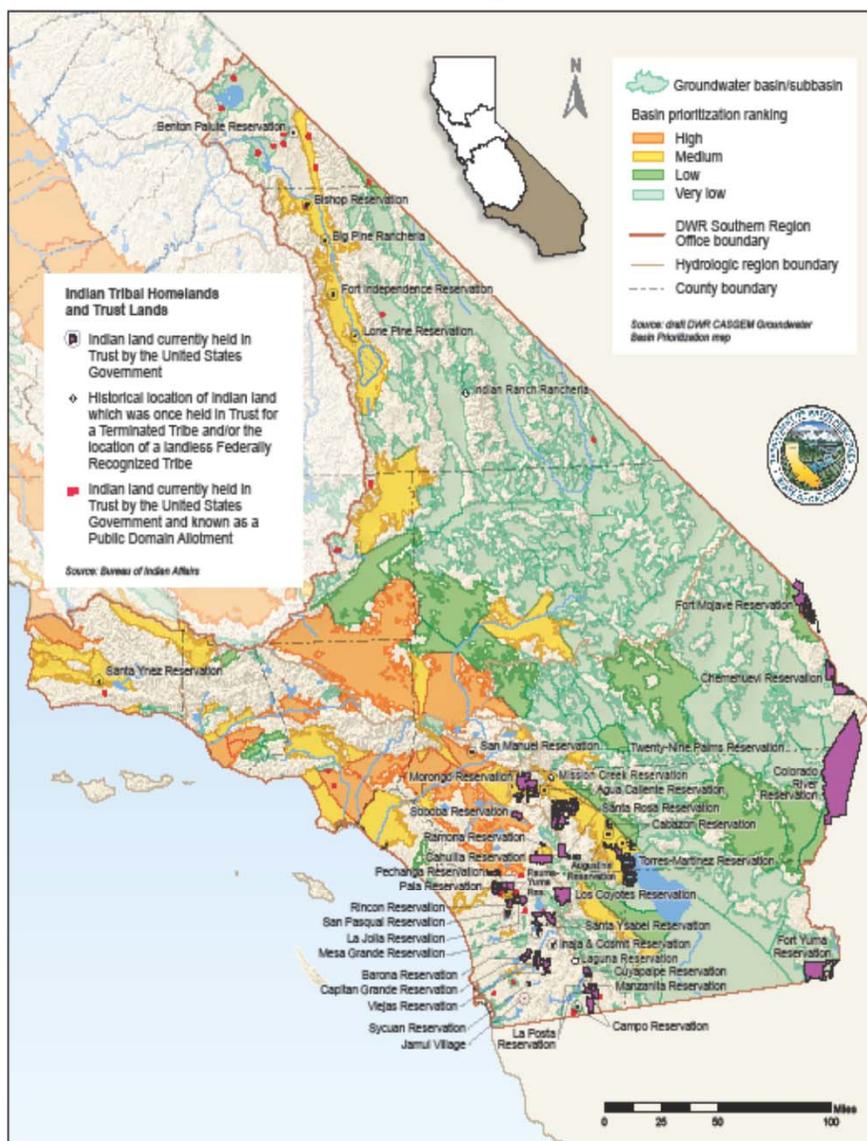
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CASGEM Groundwater Basin Prioritization and Indian Tribal Lands South Central Region



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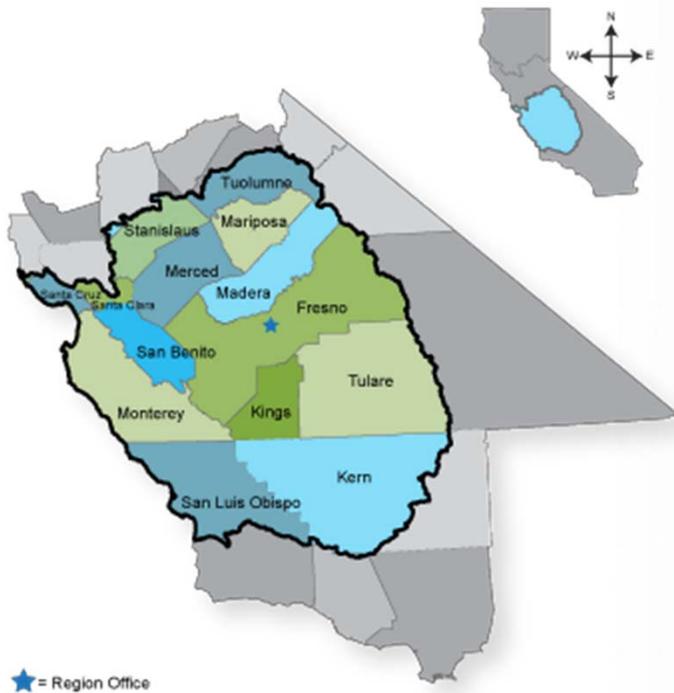
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