Technical Support Services *for*

Groundwater Sustainability Plan Development and Implementation

The Department of Water Resources' (DWR) Technical Support Services (TSS) supports Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) as they develop and implement their Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs). The goal is to provide technical services as well as <u>education</u>, <u>data</u>, <u>and tools</u> to GSAs at both regional and statewide scales to build the capacity needed to achieve sustainability. TSS is available to GSAs through DWR Region Offices and/or contractors upon DWR funding availability. The initial priority for this funding will be focused on requests in critically overdrafted basins.

Technical Support Services Offered:

Field Activities

- Monitoring Well Installation
 - Geophysical Logging
 - Geologic Logging
- Groundwater Level Monitoring Training
- Borehole Video Logging
- Other Field Activities

Modeling and Mapping

Modeling Training and Support (pending DWR updated model release)

Who is Eligible?

GSAs developing and implementing GSPs are eligible to apply for these services if they agree to meet all of the following obligations:

- Agree to share any data generated from the technical support service(s) with DWR and the public.
- Comply with all applicable laws related to the technical support service(s).
- Agree to work in an open, inclusive, and collaborative manner toward the
 development of a GSP, including appointing a coordinator for the basin to
 represent all GSAs, resolve disputes, and speak as one voice to DWR (not required
 to be the "Point-of-Contact" for Coordination Agreements as used in 23 CCR
 §357.4 (b) (1) of the GSP Emergency Regulations, or the "Plan manager" as used
 in 23 CCR §351 (z), 353.4 (b), and §354.6 (c)).
- Agree to complete GSA's volunteered responsibilities related to requested technical support service(s) within a defined timeframe.
- Support DWR staff or contractors that are providing technical support service(s).

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How to Apply:

Applications for TSS will be evaluated on a continuous basis as funding allows. The application process is two-part – a General Application and Individual Service Requests – and must be submitted through an online application system made available to the applicant following consultation with DWR Region Offices. **PDF and MS Word copies of the General Application and Service Requests** are provided as a resource to help applicants prepare for applying.

Applicants are encouraged to contact a Region Coordinator at sgma_rc@water.ca.gov to discuss the type and level of services needed prior to submitting an application. For additional information on DWR's Technical Support Services and other assistance offerings visit, https://www.water.ca.gov/Programs/Groundwater- Management/Assistance-and-Engagement.