



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

# SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT OFFICE

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August 13, 2019

Mr. Guadalupe Rivera  
Sutter County  
1130 Civic Center Blvd.  
Yuba City, CA 95993

## **RE: Sutter Subbasin Alternative**

Dear Mr. Rivera:

The Department of Water Resources (Department) acknowledges receipt of your letter dated August 12, 2019. In response, the Department agrees to grant Sutter County's request for a 45-day extension to prepare its response to the Department regarding the Sutter Subbasin Alternative to a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (Alternative). The response deadline will now close on September 30, 2019.

The Department recommends Sutter County prepare its response in accordance with the information requested in its notification letter dated July 17, 2019, attached. Please note that, as explained in the July 17th letter, no new information or analyses will be considered, although the Department will accept documents clearly referenced in, but not submitted with, the original materials if those documents contain the missing information and were identified as such in the original Alternative submittal.

The Department will aim to finalize its assessments of the six alternatives currently not recommended for approval, including Sutter County's Alternative, by October 15, 2019, but may extend its review and finalization period for any alternative as needed. As a reminder, the deadline for submitting a groundwater sustainability plan (GSP) (January 31, 2022) is set in statute and is not altered by the submission of an alternative to a GSP. Those basins not covered by an approved alternative are strongly encouraged to take advantage of the state's range of technical, planning and financial assistance offerings intended to support local compliance with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). This should be done concurrently with the Department's review and finalization of the remaining alternatives. For more information on SGMA assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to Bill Brewster with the Department's North Central Region Office, at [Bill.Brewster@water.ca.gov](mailto:Bill.Brewster@water.ca.gov) or

(916) 376-9657. Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Taryn Ravazzini". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a horizontal line extending from the end.

Taryn Ravazzini  
Deputy Director  
Statewide Groundwater Management

Attachment: July 17, 2019 Notification Letter to Sutter County re: Sutter Subbasin  
Alternative