

Tehama County Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA)

GSA Governing Body - Tehama County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (FCWCD) Board of Directors

1. Final approval authority for GSP and any future amendments, and all GSA ordinances, rules, regulations, and fees.
2. Primary responsibility for funding, resources, and staffing. (Cities/Districts will not be requested to provide or commit funding in order to participate in the Groundwater Commission.)
 - FCWCD will provide staff assistance to Groundwater Commission and Board of Directors throughout the GSP development and implementation process.
 - Where necessary, the Board of Directors will provide additional resources from FCWCD's existing funding or grant opportunities pursued by FCWCD.
 - The Board of Directors will apply for and receive grants to fund GSA activities (with the Commission's recommendation), including responsibility for executing and implementing grant contracts and associated requirements.
 - Further revenue measures, if any, would be reviewed by the Commission prior to adoption by the Board of Directors (and will not be based on GSA participation).
3. Hear and decide appeals (if any) from decisions of the Groundwater Commission on permits, similar entitlements, and enforcement matters.
4. Confirm appointments of the five "Supervisory District" members of the Groundwater Commission (upon recommendation of the Commission).

Groundwater Commission (Similar to Planning Commission)

1. Develop GSP and any future amendments, and all GSA ordinances, rules, and regulations, including holding public hearings and making final recommendations to Board of Directors.
2. Conduct investigations to determine the need for groundwater management, monitor compliance and enforcement, propose and update fees and making final recommendations to Board of Directors.
3. Review all proposed grant applications, and advise Board of Directors regarding grant funding opportunities.
4. Decision-making authority for permits or similar entitlements issued by the GSA, e.g., well spacing (with appeal).
5. Make quasi-judicial decisions in GSA enforcement matters (with appeal).
6. Membership:
 - a. 1- City of Corning (Appointed by City)
 - b. 1- City of Red Bluff (Appointed by City)
 - c. 1- City of Tehama (Appointed by City)
 - d. 1- El Camino Irrigation District (Appointed by District)
 - e. 1- Los Molinos Community Services District (Appointed by District)
 - f. 1- Rio Alto Water District (Appointed by District)
 - g. 5- 1 Representative from each County Supervisory District
 - i. Recommendations to be made by the seated Groundwater Commission members and confirmed by the FCWCD Board of Directors.
 - ii. Appointees will be expected to meet certain qualifications:
 - 2 members should represent the interests of surface water agencies or districts;
 - 2 members should represent the interests of private pumpers;
 - 1 member will be an "at large" representative;
 - No agency or district shall be represented by more than 1 member on the Groundwater Commission.

AB3030 Technical Advisory Committee - Provides technical assistance as needed.