



Water Resources Division
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To Whom It May Concern:

You are invited to attend an informational meeting concerning steps that are being considered to establish a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) for the Santa Monica Groundwater Basin. The meeting will be held on April 12, 2017 at 6:00 pm, and will take place at Windward School located at 11350 Palms Blvd. in Mar Vista. The school is located at the intersection of Palms Boulevard and Sawtelle Avenue. Please enter the parking area off of Sawtelle Avenue. You are receiving this invitation because you have been identified as a potential stakeholder with an interest in the Santa Monica Groundwater Basin. Please see the attached map which depicts the boundaries of the basin.

The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) was enacted in 2014 to improve groundwater management throughout the state of California. SGMA is intended to enable local management of the State's groundwater resources, with oversight from the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) and State Water Resources Control Board. SGMA requires creation of a GSA for the Santa Monica Basin by June 30, 2017.

The City of Santa Monica, City of Culver City, City of Beverly Hills, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power and the Los Angeles County are the local public agencies that have authority and responsibility to form the GSA for Santa Monica Basin. Representatives from each agency will be present in the meeting to provide information about the GSA formation process. We welcome and encourage your participation as this will be an opportunity for City and County staff to hear from stakeholders prior to making recommendations regarding the creation of the GSA.

Once formed, the GSA will begin developing a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) for the Santa Monica Basin. The GSP would describe basin conditions and identify projects and programs to ensure the sustainability of the groundwater basin. It will be valuable to know and consider your interests throughout this process.

Information about SGMA can be found on DWR's website at
<http://www.water.ca.gov/groundwater/sgm/index.cfm>.

On behalf of the participating agencies, we look forward to meeting with you at the Stakeholder Information Meeting on Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at Windward School.

Sincerely,

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STAKEHOLDER RESOURCES:

Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Information:
<http://www.water.ca.gov/groundwater/sgm/index.cfm>

Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) Information:
<http://www.water.ca.gov/groundwater/sgm/gsa.cfm>

Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Information:
<http://www.water.ca.gov/groundwater/sgm/gsp.cfm>

City of Santa Monica Public Works, Water Resources
<https://www.smgov.net/departments/publicworks/water.aspx>

Culver City Department of Public Works
<http://www.culvercity.org/city-hall/city-government/city-departments/public-works>

Beverly Hills Public Works, Water Services Department
<http://www.beverlyhills.org/living/utilities/waterservices/>

Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
http://www.myladwp.com/about_ladwp

Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, Water Resources
<http://dpw.lacounty.gov/landing/waterResources.cfm>

ATTACHMENTS:

Santa Monica Groundwater Basin Boundary Map

Santa Monica Groundwater Basin

