



MoundBasin
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

MOUND BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY (MBGSA) DRAFT SUSTAINABILITY GOAL

On July 16, 2020, the MBGSA Board of Directors approved the following draft sustainability goal description for release. The purpose of releasing the draft sustainability goal is to obtain your feedback and comments. The MBGSA Board is scheduled to consider adopting the sustainability goal at its September 17, 2020 meeting. Your input on the goal is valued and will help make it better reflect the local values in the basin. Please send comments by September 10 to the Clerk of the Board Jackie Lozano: Jackiel@unitedwater.org.

Stakeholders are encouraged to review background information concerning the sustainability goal included in the staff report for the June 18 Board of Directors Meetings and California Department of Water Resources draft Sustainable Management Criteria Best Management Practice document (SMC BMP):

<https://s33630.pcdn.co/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/2020-06-18-Mound-Basin-GSA-Board-of-Directors-Meeting-Agenda-Packet-FINAL-ks.pdf>

https://water.ca.gov/-/media/DWR-Website/Web-Pages/Programs/Groundwater-Management/Sustainable-Groundwater-Management/Best-Management-Practices-and-Guidance-Documents/Files/BMP-6-Sustainable-Management-Criteria-DRAFT_ay_19.pdf

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Draft Sustainability Goal July 16, 2020

The goal of this Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) is to sustainably manage the groundwater resources of the Mound Basin for the benefit of current and anticipated future beneficial users of groundwater and the welfare of the general public who rely directly or indirectly on groundwater. Sustainable groundwater management will ensure the long-term reliability of the Mound Basin groundwater resources by avoiding undesirable results pursuant to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) no later than 20 years from GSP adoption through implementation of a data-driven and performance-based adaptive management framework. It is the express goal of this GSP to develop sustainable management criteria and plan implementation measures to avoid undesirable results for the applicable SGMA sustainability indicators by:

- 1. Using best available science and information, including consideration of uncertainty in the basin setting and groundwater conditions;*
- 2. Conducting active and meaningful stakeholder engagement;*
- 3. Considering potential impacts on the management of adjacent basins and, where necessary coordinating with adjacent basins; and*
- 4. Balancing economic, social, and environmental impacts and benefits associated with the all current and anticipated future beneficial users of groundwater, by considering:*
 - a. Water supply reliability for agriculture enterprises and potable and industrial users;*
 - b. Availability of alternative water sources for domestic groundwater beneficial users;*
 - c. Identifying and considering potential impacts to groundwater dependent ecosystems and, where possible, opportunities to enhance those ecosystems;*
 - d. State, federal, or local standards relevant to applicable sustainability indicators;*
 - e. Feasibility of projects and management actions necessary to achieve proposed measureable objectives; and*
 - f. Economic impact of projects and management actions necessary to achieve proposed measureable objects on all beneficial users, with special consideration of disadvantage communities and agricultural enterprises lacking alternative land use options.*