



Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan - Notice of DWR Public Comment Period

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Department of Water Resources Extends Public Comment Period through **May 15, 2020** on Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan

California's overdrafted groundwater basins, of which the Cuyama Basin is one, were required to submit Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs) to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) by January 31, 2020.

The Cuyama Basin Groundwater Agency (CBGSA) submitted the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) to DWR on January 28, 2020. On January 30, the GSP was posted in <https://sgma.water.ca.gov/portal/gsp/all>. DWR opened a public comment period on the GSP on January 30 **which extends now to May 15, 2020**.

California's Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), signed into law in 2014, requires locally led Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) to develop GSPs outlining actions and implementation measures to halt overdraft and bring groundwater basins into GSAs will begin implementing their plans immediately after they adopt them. SGMA directs.

DWR to evaluate and assess all plans to determine whether each plan is adequate, based on best available science and information, and whether implementation of the plan is likely to achieve the groundwater basin's sustainability goal.

How to Comment on a GSP submitted to DWR

Visit <https://sgma.water.ca.gov/portal/gsp/all>. Find the GSP you're interested in and click the blue comment button under the Action column and then click Add Comment. Fill in the information on the Comment Submission form and click Submit. The Comment Submission form includes the ability to upload additional files if desired (e.g., Adobe PDF documents). Note that a SGMA Portal account is not required to submit public comments.

While DWR will not respond to public comments directly, it will consider those comments during its evaluation of the plans.

Frequently asked questions and answers, in English and Spanish, about the public comment process can be accessed from links in the second paragraph on this webpage: <https://sgma.water.ca.gov/portal/gsp/all>