

Sustainable Groundwater Management Program

Informational Update

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SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER
MANAGEMENT OFFICE

DWR SGMA Assistance C&E

- SGMO and Region Offices
- Geology Lead
- Regional Coordinator
- Point of Contact



Presentation Overview

- DWR Assistance Role
- SGMA Status
 - Alternative Review Status
 - Next Steps
 - GSP Status
- SGM/DWR Financial Assistance

DWR's Role in SGMA

Regulatory Role

Framework

- GSP Regulations
- Basin Prioritization
- Basin Boundary Modification (Regulations)

Evaluation

- GSP and Alternatives
- Basin Boundary Modifications

Assistance Role

Planning

- Facilitation Support Services
- Communication and Engagement

Technical

- Statewide Data and Tools
- Guidance Materials
- Data Reporting
- Technical Support Services

Financial

- Grants

ALTERNATIVE EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT UPDATE

**Reviewed and
Assessed
Alternatives**

15

9

Approved

6

not recommended for approval

Alternatives – Next Steps

- Basins with approved alternatives:
 - Implementation
 - Annual Reports
 - Five-Year Update
- Basins with alternatives not recommended for approval:
 - Period of time to respond to Department staff recommendation
 - If alternative is ultimately not approved: adopt a GSP by the statutory deadline

GSP PROGRESS FOR COD BASINS

19

Critically Overdrafted
Basins **GSPs due Jan. 31, 2020**

Estimated,

44

GSPs

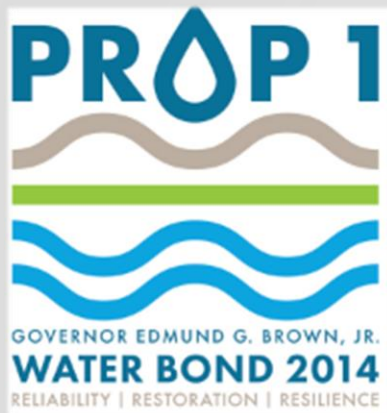
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Coordinated GSP Basins

Support Services and Financial Assistance

- Facilitation Support Services (FSS)
- Technical Support Services (TSS)
- Financial Assistance (Grants)

Sustainable Groundwater *Planning* Grant Program



\$6.7M awarded to counties with stressed basins in Feb. 2016

\$85.8M awarded across all 78 applicants in Apr. 2018

\$16.2 M for projects benefiting Severely DACs

\$69.6 M for developing GSPs

~\$1.5M carry over to next round

~\$50M from Prop 68 and ~\$1.5M from Prop 1

Alternative Plan Updates:

Minimum \$200,000

Maximum \$500,000

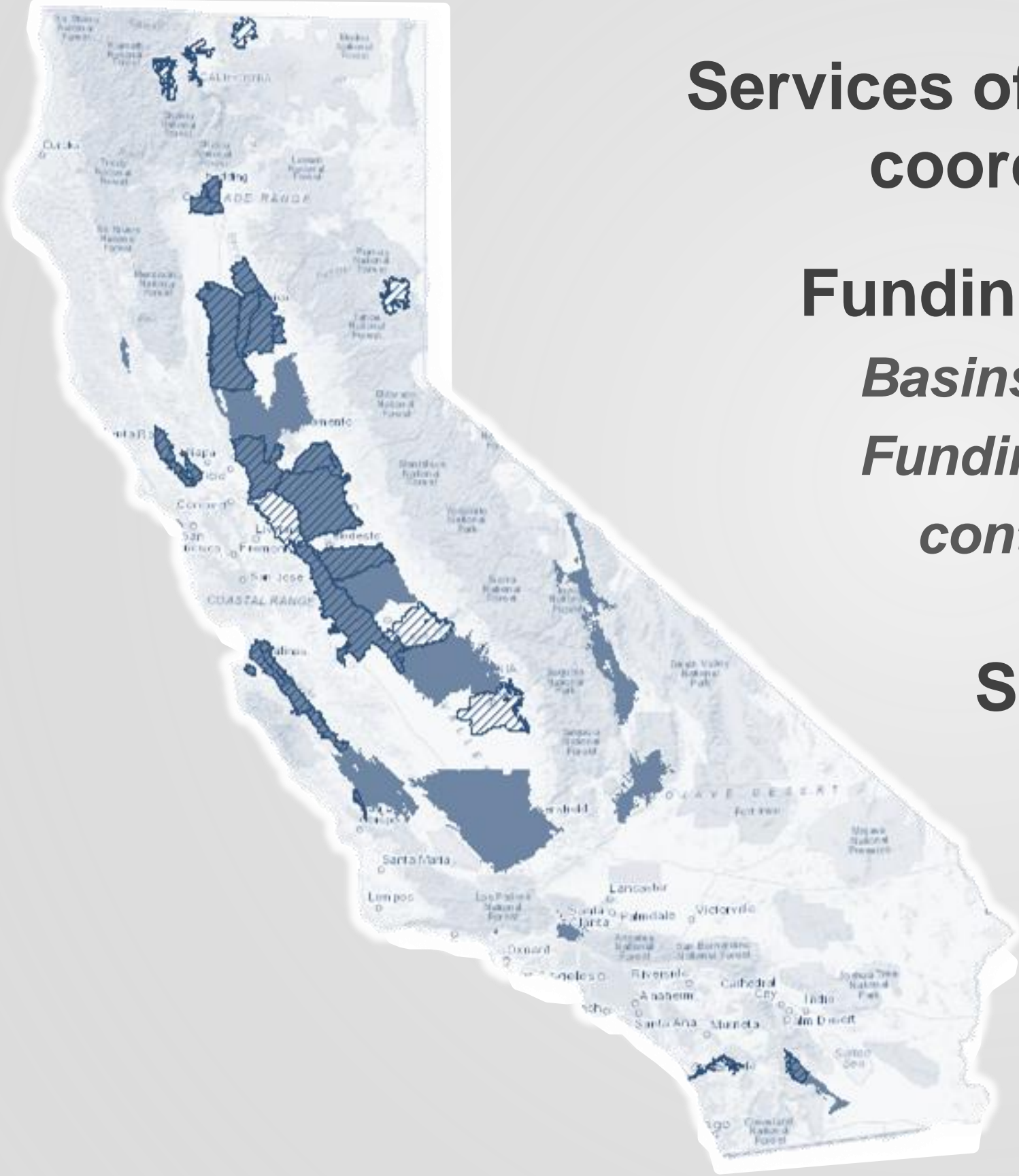


Sustainable Groundwater *Implementation* Grant Program



- **~\$100M from Prop 68**
 - *Fund projects and programs that will assist GSAs implement a GSP or alternate GSP*
 - *Priority to GSAs in critically overdrafted basins*

Facilitation Support Services (FSS)



Services offered to GSAs or groups coordinating with GSAs

Funding Priorities

Basins without prior FSS

Funding decisions made on a continuous basis

Services Offered

Stakeholder identification & engagement

Public outreach facilitation

GSA meeting facilitation

Consensus building

Technical Support Services (TSS)

Services Offered

Field Activities:

Monitoring well installation

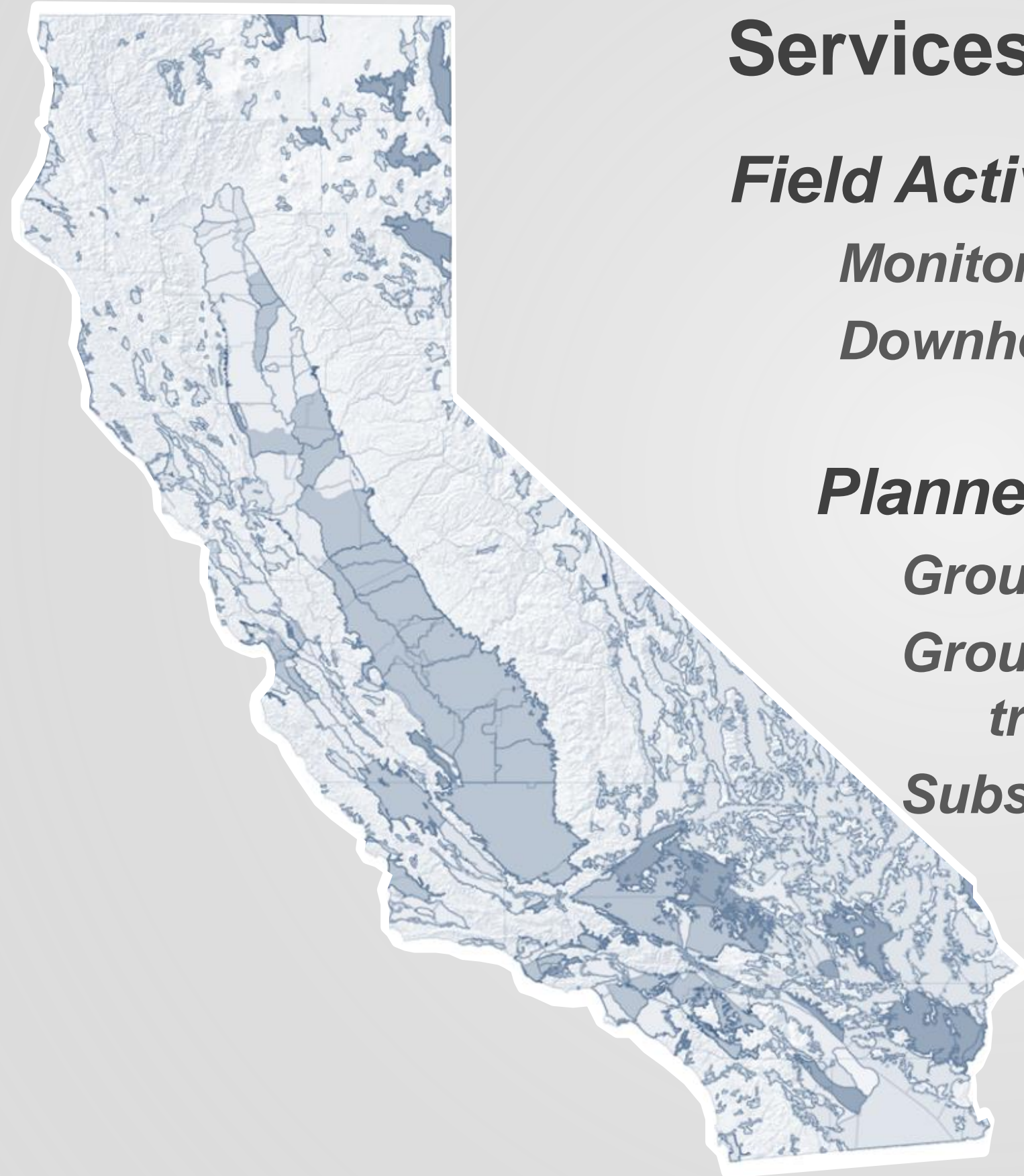
Downhole camera surveys

Planned:

Groundwater monitoring training

*Groundwater-surface water modeling
training*

Subsidence monitoring



DWR Communications

- Sustainable Groundwater Management Program Updates
 - Email updates regarding SGM Program implementation for stakeholders and interested parties
 - Event announcements
 - Subscribe to receive at, <https://bit.ly/2HdRRGK>
- DWR's SGMA Groundwater Management Website
 - Bookmark on your web browser, <https://www.water.ca.gov/Programs/Groundwater-Management/SGMA-Groundwater-Management>

QUESTIONS