Groundwater and You

Throughout most of California’s vast Central Valley, residents, businesses, industries and farms draw more groundwater than has been replenished by nature or recharge actions of water agencies.

California’s severe 2012-2016 drought included the two driest years on record. In 2014 the State legislature passed the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), mandating that local public agencies within a groundwater basin form Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) to implement the law’s requirements. SGMA implementation in the greater Fresno metropolitan area is provided by the North Kings GSA (NKGSA), a joint powers authority formed in 2016. Responsible for preparation, adoption and implementation of a SGMA-compliant Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) to address a continuing decline in regional groundwater levels that has been documented since 1922, NKGSA is required to initiate GSP activities by January 31, 2020.

### Who

**NKGSA Members:**
- Bakman Water Company
- Biola Community Services District
- City of Clovis
- City of Fresno
- City of Kerman
- County of Fresno
- Fresno Irrigation District
- Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District
- Garfield Water District
- International Water District

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### Discover:

Learn whether your home, business or farm is subject to SGMA. Use our Find Your GSA tool at:

[www.northkingsgsa.org/find-your-gsa/](http://www.northkingsgsa.org/find-your-gsa/)

### Explore:

This new law fundamentally changed how groundwater will be accessed in California. To learn more about local, regional and state efforts visit:

[www.northkingsgsa.org](http://www.northkingsgsa.org)
[www.kingsgroundwater.info](http://www.kingsgroundwater.info)
[www.water.ca.gov/Programs/Groundwater-Management](http://www.water.ca.gov/Programs/Groundwater-Management)

### What You Can Do

**Join:**
Sign up on the Interested Parties Database to keep abreast of local SGMA compliance efforts: tinyurl.com/nkgsa-ipd

**Invite:**
We welcome the opportunity to engage with civic groups, nonprofit organizations and other organizations interested in learning more about groundwater. Contact us!

**Participate:**
Monthly meetings of the agency’s Board of Directors and Advisory Committee are open to the public. See our website for the meeting schedule and prior meeting summaries.