

# MID GSA and the Joint Madera Subbasin GSP

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These actions and investments since 2014 have already contributed significantly to sustainability in the MID GSA. While the gap is closing, a small groundwater deficit currently exists under certain conditions, the MID GSA does have plans for closing this gap and meeting sustainability in the near term. These plans include acquisition of additional recharge basins and facilities (currently in progress), further enhancing grower programs such as the On-Farm Recharge program, expanding partnerships with other water districts to increase supplies, and exploring new fee structures and incentive based programs for landowners. However, these programs will take investment of the MID GSA and thus the landowners. Again though, the expectation is that with these investments, demand management (pumping restrictions) will not be required within the MID GSA.

## Get Involved

The MID GSA will continue to meet, discuss, and hear comments from the public.

To view and comment on the GSP, please visit:

[www.maderacountywater.com/maps/madera-subbasin/](http://www.maderacountywater.com/maps/madera-subbasin/)

For more information on the MID GSA, visit:

<http://bit.ly/MIDGSAInformation>



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## MID GSA AND GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT

The Madera Irrigation District Groundwater Sustainability Agency (MID GSA) has released the joint Madera Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) in cooperation with the City of Madera GSA, County of Madera GSA, and Madera Water District GSA. Included is information about the structure of the Madera Subbasin, the efforts of the MID GSA, and how these relate to the joint Madera Subbasin GSP and most importantly – **YOU**, a stakeholder.



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## The Madera Subbasin

The Madera Irrigation District lies within the Madera Subbasin. The Madera Subbasin is bordered by the foothills on the east, San Joaquin River on the south, approximately the Chowchilla Bypass on the west, and the Chowchilla Water District boundary on the north.



The Madera Subbasin includes seven (7) local agencies which have formed Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) to manage groundwater within the Madera Subbasin. These agencies include representation of the City of Madera, Madera County, Madera Water District, Root Creek Water District, Gravelly Ford Water District, and New Stone Water District, along with Madera Irrigation District.

**Every parcel within the Madera Subbasin will be managed by one (1) Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) which has already formed. To determine which agency will be managing groundwater in relation to your land refer to the Madera Subbasin GSA Map - visit <http://bit.ly/MaderaSubbasinGSA>**



The Madera Subbasin received a \$1.5 million grant from the State of California to assist with the cost in developing a joint GSP for the Madera Subbasin. The participating GSAs in the joint Madera Subbasin GSP are the MID GSA, Madera County GSA, City of Madera GSA, and Madera Water District GSA. Root Creek Water District GSA, Gravelly Ford Water District GSA, and New Stone Water District GSA elected to complete their own respective GSPs.

## The Madera Irrigation District Groundwater Sustainability Agency

MID GSA was formed in July 2016 to manage groundwater within its jurisdiction. The MID GSA jurisdiction encompasses the land within the Madera Irrigation District boundary with the exception of those parcels within the City of Madera and Madera Water District. The MID GSA is approximately 134,000 acres of primarily agriculture and rural residential.

**If your land is in MID, and it is not also within the Madera City limits or in Madera Water District, then MID GSA is your Groundwater Sustainability Agency.**

## MID GSA and the Joint Madera Subbasin GSP

As you will read in the GSP, the MID GSA has already made substantial progress on projects and programs that will maintain and enhance sustainability for the MID GSA.



Between the enactment of SGMA in 2014 and today, MID and the MID GSA have been working diligently to implement projects and programs to enhance water supplies and reduce the potential need for demand management (pumping restrictions), with the help and participation of MID GSA growers. MID and MID GSA have made significant progress over the last five years towards this goal. Since 2014, numerous projects have been completed and programs established to augment water supplies. MID rehabilitated and began utilizing recharge basins located throughout the District, installed of over 12,000 feet of pipeline, completed system automation of over 50 sites, annexed the Madera Ranch (over 10,000 acres of grazing land), established an On-Farm Recharge Program, acquired a 22 acre recharge facility, and procured and imported additional surface water supplies in this five-year timeframe.

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