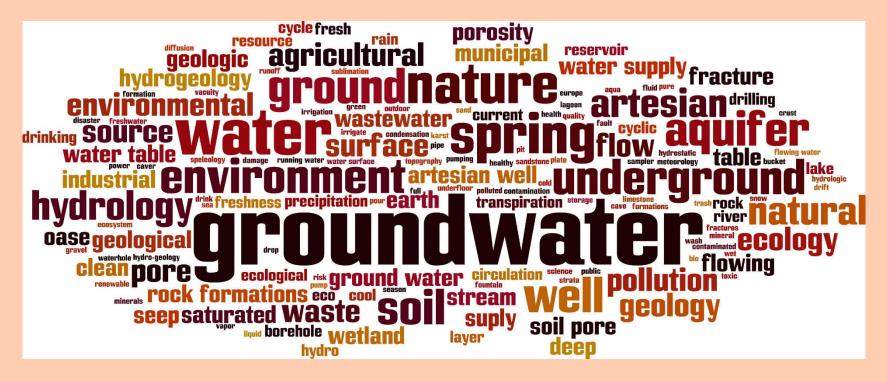
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- SGMA <u>requires</u> outreach
 - Section 10723.2 of the Act "Consideration of Interests"
 - Groundwater Sustainability Plan regulations require:

 GSAs document opportunities for public engagement and active involvement of diverse social, cultural, and economic elements of the population within the basin.

Timeframe:
January 2018-January
2022 (adoption of
Groundwater
Sustainability Plan



Plan Goals:

- Enhance understanding
- Engage diverse interested parties
- Promote informed feedback
- Coordinate communication
- Make public participation easy and accessible
- Respond to public concerns
- Provide accurate and up-to-date information
- Provide maximum value and efficiently use resources

Board Role:

- Adopt, oversee Community Engagement Plan
- Receive, consider public comments
- Consider Advisory Committee recommendations



Advisory Committee Role:

- Actively engage with the public
- Educate and seek input from stakeholder groups
- Share input with the Advisory Committee
- Make recommendations to the Board

Objectives:

- Educate the public in compelling ways
- Manage expectations
- Show how the input received has been incorporated into the plan or process
- Remain focused on results



Process:

- Staff drafted
- Advisory Committee ad hoc input and edits
- Full Advisory Committee feedback and edits
- Advisory Committee recommended plan for Board adoption



Staff recommendation: Adopt Community Engagement Plan