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Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: Steps for Implementation

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Major Water Projects



Groundwater is essential in dry years

- Groundwater is 35-65% of average annual supply
- In some communities, it is 100%





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The primary tool to protect groundwater in California from 1850-2014:



California Water Action Plan





The State's Role: Support for Local Agencies



Financial assistance



Technical assistance



Regulations



Plan evaluation



Intervention



Sustainable Groundwater Management Act



Source: Department of Water Resources, CWP 2013

- 127 priority basins
- 92% GW use, 88% Population
- Local control & empowerment
- Alignment with basin borders
- Uniform standards
- State backstop

“I never drink water
because of the
disgusting things
that fish do in it.”



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