MANAGING THE PASO ROBLES GROUNDWATER BASIN

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Police Powers Judicial Oversight

Legislation

Groundwater

PASO BASIN - CURRENT EFFORTS



Technical Evaluations



2013 Urgency Ordinance

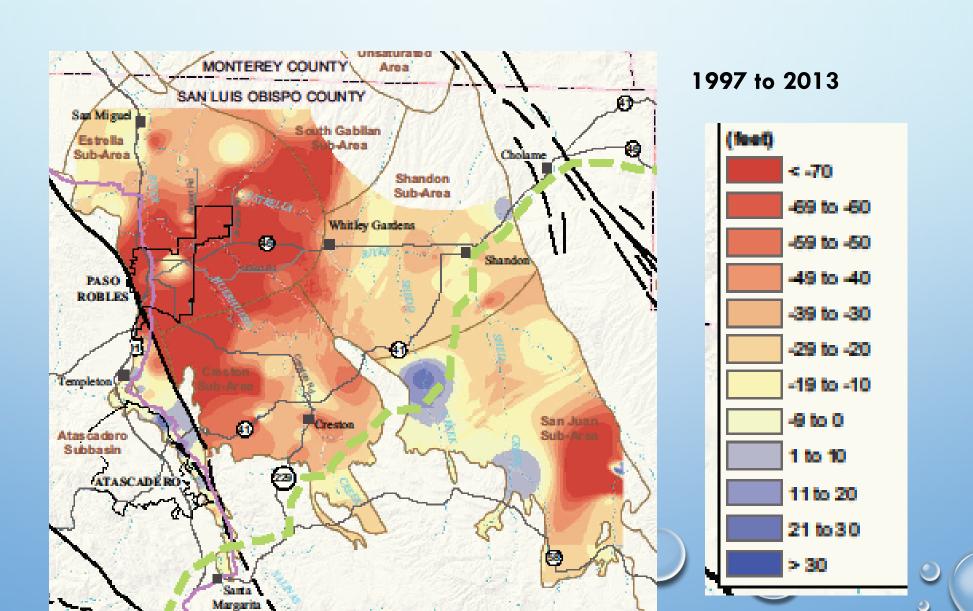


AB 3030 Groundwater Management Plan



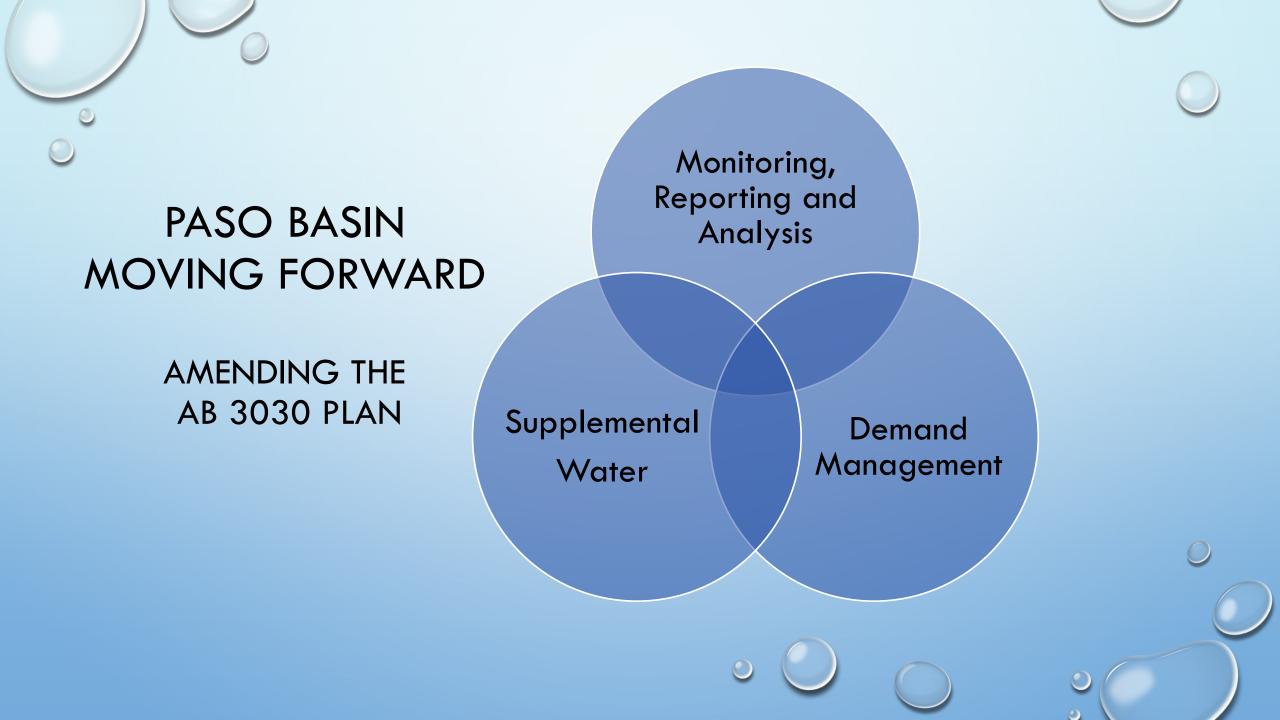
Water District

GROUNDWATER ELEVATION CHANGE



URGENCY ORDINANCE - POLICE POWERS

- NOT A MORATORIUM
 - AGRICULTURAL OFFSET PROGRAM
 - RESIDENTIAL OFFSET PROGRAM
- TWO YEAR MAXIMUM TERM
 - WHAT TO DO THEN?
- CAN POLICE POWERS BE UTILIZED TO SUPPORT A SYSTEM OF CHECKS AND BALANCES TOGETHER WITH GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT?





California's Approach to Cooperative Groundwater Management

§ 10750(a) of the California Water Code – Legislative Findings and Declarations

"The Legislature finds and declares that groundwater is a valuable natural resource in California, and should be managed to ensure both its safe production and its quality. It is the intent of the Legislature to encourage local agencies to work cooperatively to manage groundwater resources within their jurisdictions."



- 1(A) Ensure that the development of a more robust AB3030 Plan includes participation of <u>interested landowners</u> and their support so that a majority protest does not result.
- 1(B) Ensure that the development of a more robust AB 3030 Plan does not create obligations or impacts that would trigger an adjudication of the Basin.
- 1(D) Ensure that the development of a more robust AB 3030 Plan includes a proposition for <u>registered voters</u> to authorize the ability to generate revenues.
- 1(F) Ensure that the more robust AB 3030 Plan is acceptable to the Board of Supervisors, acting on behalf of the Flood Control District.



A MORE ROBUST AB 3030 PLAN Objectives for "Technical Elements"

- 1(C) Ensure that the development of a more robust AB 3030 Plan includes a comprehensive funding plan.
- 1(E) Ensure that the development of a more robust AB 3030 Plan provides for the adoption of rules and regulations by the District.
- 1(G) Develop more robust technical plan components.

A MORE ROBUST AB 3030 PLAN Objective 1(H) for "Sequencing and Decision-Making"

- What is the order that technical issues should be addressed?
 - How would the district go about limiting or suspending pumping?
 - How and when would the district go about studying and determining the feasibility of alternative water supplies and replenishment programs?
 - In what order should sub-areas be considered for more detailed groundwater management activities?
 - To what extent should groundwater management activities be implemented in the different sub-areas?

A MORE ROBUST AB 3030 PLAN Objective 1(I) for "Ensure that the Plan provides for coordination with other Agencies and other efforts"

- Cities, Special Districts and Private Water Purveyors
- The Local Agency Formation Commission
- The Nacimiento and State Water Projects
- Salinas Dam
- Monterey County Water Resources Agency
- The State Water Board and the Central Coast Regional Water Board
- State and Federal Resource Agencies
- The Army Corp of Engineers and the Federal Bureau of Reclamation
- The California Department of Water Resources
- The County of San Luis Obispo and the Flood Control District



PROCESS & TARGETS

FIRST SIX MONTHS

- FIVE BASIN COMPARISON
- ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 REVIEW
- TOWN HALL MEETINGS AND WORKSHOPS
- MONITOR LEGISLATION
- BOARD UPDATES
- INITIATE DRAFT PLAN

<u>MONTHS 7 - 9</u>

- REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE SESSION
- BOARD DIRECTION ON KEY
 ISSUES
- COMPLETE DRAFT DOCUMENT

MONTHS 10-12

- COMMUNITY REVIEW OF DRAFT PLAN
- ADOPTION AND/OR DIRECTION HEARINGS

COMPARISONS TO OTHER GROUNDWATER EFFORTS

- Five Basin Comparison
- Santa Maria Groundwater Basin
 - Sub-Areas
 - Monitoring and Reporting
 - Supplemental Water
 - Key Well Indexes
 - Pumping Baselines
 - Funding



PASO BASIN - WATER DISTRICT

- CURRENT LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL A GRASSROOTS EFFORTS
- RELATIONSHIP TO AN AB 3030 GROUNDWATER
 MANAGEMENT PLAN
- WHERE IS IT GOING?





QUESTIONS?

