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#### Resolution No. 2015-02

Recently the Board approved Resolution No. 2015-02. It establishes Irrigation Allowance Index (IAI) reporting requirements for agricultural well operators including mutual water companies and special districts, that primarily supply groundwater to others for agricultural use but are not an end user of groundwater for irrigation. These are considered "Agricultural Providers."



If you are not an Agricultural Provider, but an agricultural well operator that receives water from an Agricultural Provider, you are required to include the water from the Agricultural Provider in your IAI Application.

Agricultural Providers are responsible for IAI Applications in certain cases.

If you are not an Agricultural Provider or an agricultural well operator,

but a customer of an Agricultural Provider, the Agricultural Provider will need to include information about the crops you grow when it completes the Annual IAI Application. Please contact the Agricultural Provider to determine what information they need from you.

## Irrigation Allowance Application Filing Reminder

Per Emergency Ordinance E (adopted April 11, 2014), ALL Agricultural (Ag) well operators/owners are required to submit an Irrigation Allowance Index (IAI) Application for Crop Year 2014-15. The application will be due with the 2014/15-1 Semi-Annual Extraction Statement.



Historical and Baseline Allocations will **not** be accessible during Emergency Ordinance E (excluding Domestic accounts).

A map that shows the location of your well(s) and irrigated acres by crop must be submitted with the application. The irrigated acreage value is a critical component to the IAI calculation.



Example IAI Map

Crop Year 2014/2015 Year Type is **DRY**. Total average precipitation Aug. 1, 2014—May 31, 2015 was **8.98 inches**.

If you have not submitted an IAI Application before, resources and a step-by-step guide are available online at <a href="https://www.fcgma.org/jpa">www.fcgma.org/jpa</a>.



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## **Groundwater Sustainability Plan Update**

- On January 9, 2015, the FCGMA Board accepted the role as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA). The FCGMA's next step is to develop a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) for each of the basins within the FCGMA's boundaries.
- At the April Board meeting, FCGMA staff was directed to develop and complete a GSP in one year.
- On May 27, 2015, a proposed outline of the GSP, as well as, a timeline for completing the task in one year was presented to the Board.
- The work plan and budget was reviewed by the Board in June, and the effort to develop a GSP will begin in July.
- The FCGMA needs your assistance with the GSP development process. Since the Board has requested a one-year timeframe to complete a GSP for all basins within the FCGMA boundaries, the review and comment periods will be tight.

Please stay engaged and involved!

Join a stakeholder group and/or attend FCGMA Board meetings.

Foundational issues such as the sustainable yield of each of basin, and allocation systems are to be discussed, options developed, and a system determined. Progress towards the development of the GSP, Board Meeting Agendas and Minutes, as well as notices of public outreach are, and will be, available on the FCGMA website: <a href="https://www.fcgma.org">www.fcgma.org</a>.

Thank you in advance for your input. Agency staff are committed to keeping you aware of the GSP's progress.

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## 2014 Extractions & Emergency Ordinance E Targets



	Extractions	First Emergency Ordinance E Annual Target	Next Emergency Ordinance E Annual Target			
AG	44,391 (Aug 1 —Dec 31, 2014) + TBD (Jan 1—July 31, 2015)	~72,000 AF (Jan 1 - July 31, 2015)	~64,000 AF (Jan 1 - July 31, 2016)			
M&I	42,797 (Jan 1—Dec 31, 2014)	~ 38,000 AF (Aug 1 - Dec 31, 2015)	~37,000 AF (Aug 1 - Dec 31, 2016)			
	Note: Data in acre-feet (AF) as of June 17, 2015.					

# **Precipitation/Drought Water Levels Report**



**Rainfall =** 3.54 inches FCGMA five-station average January 1 - April 30, 2015

drought based on a Meeting (Item 8). comparison of fall po- The 2014 Potentiom-Lower Aquifer Systems. website at:

Water levels have been provided to the declining in many areas FCGMA Board at the during the current March 25, 2015 Board

tentiometric surface etric Surface Maps can maps (water levels) for be viewed and downboth the Upper and loaded from the Agency

A status report on www.fcgma.org/chartsgroundwater levels was <u>maps/water-levels</u>.

# 2015 Preliminary Data Rainfall (Inches)



Preliminary Data pulled 6/1/2015						
VC Weather Station	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr		
Camarillo Airport (VC sta. 259)	2.37	0.50	0.61	0.07		
Etting Road (VC sta. 032A)	1.76	0.43	0.59	0.11		
Moorpark (VC sta. 126A)	1.83	0.79	0.84	0.05		
Somis (VC sta. 190)	2.73	0.39	0.74	0.00		
Saticoy (VC sta. 175A)	2.20	0.60	0.79	0.28		
Monthly Total	10.89	2.71	3.57	0.51		
Average (5 stations)	2.18	0.54	0.71	0.10		

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#### **Summer Flowmeter Contest**

groundwater conserva- and the Agency. tion decisions.

When you replace, in- the SAES as an opporstall, or calibrate your tunity to check your flowmeter you are required to complete a against the information **Flowmeter Update Form** on file with the Agency. for the Agency's rec-

is essential to not only can lead to calculation tracking the volume of errors on your Semi- mit a clear photo of water extracted, but Annual Extraction provides assurance that Statement (SAES), the information is accu- which in turn, can lead rate which can subset to incorrect billing to-their statement, will quently assist you in tals and inaccurate exmaking effective traction data for you

> We hope you will use flowmeter(s) in the field

To encourage a summer

A calibrated flowmeter ords. Old information checkup, the first five Contest Rules:

(5) Comb Codes to subtheir flowmeter face and serial number for each active well on receive a prize!



- (1) Snap a recent photo that clearly shows the flowmeter face and serial number for each active well listed on the Comb Code SAES.
- (2) Record the State Well Number on each photo.
- (3) Submit the photos with the completed SAES, or separately if submitted online, by the statement's due date.
- (4) Winners will be notified by mail.

#### Online Reporting

Index online!

Step-by-step training guides are now availa-

Save money on postage ble online, as well as, a You can also use a mobile by reporting your cur- will familiarize you rent meter readings and with the online account Irrigation Allowance and reporting process. formation at

www.fcgma.org/jpa.

and a return envelope tool (a.k.a. JPA) that app to scan the QR Code

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Application You can access this in- (below) with a smart device (such as a phone). It will launch an interactive guide designed to answer your questions.







