



Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency

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Extraction Statements

Effective this reporting period, per **Resolution No. 2014-02**, the extraction fee will be **\$6.00** per acre-foot (AF). The reporting periods have not changed for M&I and Domestic Operators; however, the reporting periods have changed for Agricultural Operators. The following reporting period schedule is effective January 1, 2014:

M&I and Domestic Operators

January 1—June 30 (Due in August)

July 1—December 31 (Due in February)

Agricultural Operators

August 1—December 31 (Due in February)

What is due? - Semi-Annual Extraction Statement (SAES)

January 1—July 31 (Due in September)

What is due? - SAES and Irrigation Allowance Index (IAI) Application

Access your account information by visiting www.fcgmaonline.org! To setup your account login, please contact Mandi Freitas at (805) 645-1372, or by email at mandi.freitas@ventura.org.

**Annual Request for
Stakeholder Nominations
for
John K. Flynn
Water Stewardship
Award**



In 2003, a Groundwater Stewardship Award was established to honor long time County Supervisor and former FCGMA Director John K. Flynn for his many accomplishments and contributions to the FCGMA. The award was meant to recognize an individual or entity that contributed the most to protecting groundwater, enhancing water quality, or assisting the FCGMA in efforts to manage the water resources in this area. Please forward stakeholder nominations to Jessica Kam, Clerk of the Board, by **March 2, 2015** at Jessica.kam@ventura.org.

2015 FCGMA Regular Board Meeting Schedule

The FCGMA has scheduled regular Board meetings for calendar year 2015. Board meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month except as noted. The December meeting will be held on Friday.

All meetings will be held at the Ventura County Government Center, Administration Building, in the County Board of Supervisor's Hearing Room at 800 S. Victoria Avenue, Ventura, California.

2015 Schedule

January 28th	July 22nd
February 25th	August—Dark
March 25th	September 23rd
April 22th	October 28th
May 27th	November—Dark
June 24th	December 11th*

All regular Board meetings begin at 1:30 P.M.

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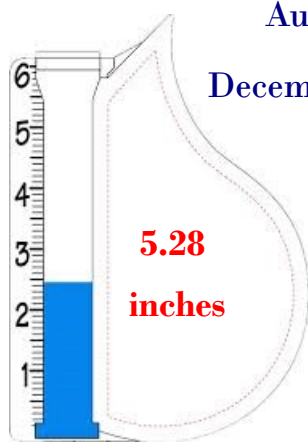
Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

Governor Brown on September 16, 2014 signed Assembly Bill (AB) 1739 and Senate Bills (SB) 1168 and 1319; also known as the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). The legislation went into effect on January 1, 2015. The goals of the legislation are to: set minimum standards for sustainable groundwater management; give local agencies tools needed to sustainably manage groundwater; increase groundwater storage; provide opportunity for local control; allow for State intervention as needed; and preserve existing water rights.

Under the SGMA, each groundwater basin is to be managed by a Groundwater Sustainability Agency. You may wonder, "How does the legislation affect the FCGMA?" Within the SGMA, the FCGMA is deemed to be the exclusive local agency within its borders. The Board will need to decide if the FCGMA wants to be the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the basins, or if they elect to opt out of the role. Based on the discussion during the October 17, 2014 Special Board meeting, the Board is to revisit the issue during the January 9, 2015 Special Board meeting.

Until then, if you want more information please visit www.fcgma.org/public-documents/board-of-directors-meetings and click on the **October 17, 2014 Special Board meeting** for: downloadable copies of the legislation, a Power-Point presentation prepared by Agency Legal Counsel, and video of the Special Board meeting.

Precipitation Update



August 1 to
December 31, 2014

Average of
preliminary
data from three
rainfall
stations.

5.28
inches

Meter Calibration Program

Check your account and meter calibration data on file at www.fcgmaonline.org! At **minimum**, flowmeter calibration tests are required every **three (3) years**.

If you repair or replace your flowmeter, the following items are to be submitted to the Agency within **thirty (30) days** of the repair/replacement:

1. Proof of Flowmeter Accuracy (Manufacturer's Certificate of Calibration from an approved meter calibration contractor.)
2. Completed Flowmeter Installation/Repair/Replacement Form (download from www.fcgma.org/public-documents/forms.)
3. Photographs of the meter face, meter serial number, and installation.

For questions or comments regarding the Meter Calibration Program, please contact **Mandi Freitas** at **(805) 645-1372**.

FCGMA Website

Our goal is to provide you with as much information as possible and as easily as possible. One of the available resources is our website www.fcgma.org. There you will find answers to many Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), Agency forms, Irrigation Allowance Index (IAI) information and tools (e.g., Water Use Calculator, IAI FAQs, Case Examples, etc.), extraction statement information, training materials, Board meeting agendas and broadcasts, and much more!

We encourage you to provide feedback regarding our website so that we can continue making improvements.

Adopted Resolutions

Resolution No. 2014-02, adopted on June 25, 2014, increased the extraction charge to \$6.00 per acre-foot.

Resolution No. 2014-03, adopted on June 25, 2014, supports a legislative change in maximum allowable extraction charge.

Visit www.fcgma.org/public-documents/resolutions to learn more!