



**GSP TAKEAWAYS  
FOR SMALL-SYSTEM & DOMESTIC WELL OWNERS**

**What Could It Mean For You?**

- Falling depth to water may continue for ± 20 years depending on weather patterns, more rapid in first 10
- Potential assistance program to help with impacts
- Initially, no cost or reporting if use is under 2 AF (652,000 gal) per year
- Impacts on local economy/job base

**State of the Subbasin**

**State of Your GSA**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Avg. ag industry pumping 736,000 AF/yr</li><li>• City/domestic pumping 60,000 AF/yr</li><li>• Use exceeds supply by 78,000 AF/yr</li><li>• Declining water levels and storage</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Avg. ag industry pumping 143,000 AF/yr</li><li>• City/domestic pumping 48,000 AF/yr</li><li>• Declining water levels</li><li>• Water budget supply in positive balance</li></ul> |
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**Four Primary Problems**

- Declining water levels – average 2 ½ feet per year since the early 1990's in rural areas within GSA
- Reductions in groundwater storage – GSA losing 13,000 AF each year; groundwater management activities in neighboring GSAs play a role
- Continuing land subsidence in southwestern portion of Subbasin – 4 to 12 inches/yr
- Degraded water quality, particularly for potable uses

**Mid-Kaweah Objectives – 2020 to 2040**

- Keep groundwater levels from dipping below 5-yr milestones(\*)
- Maintain groundwater storage consistent with water-level milestones
- Keep subsidence from accruing beyond 5-yr milestones
- Avoid degrading key water quality constituents
- Promote recognition of balanced conditions in this GSA

## What Comes Next?

- Monitoring groundwater water levels, subsidence rates and water quality; reporting same to DWR annually
- Developing standardized methods for measuring Ag. groundwater pumping; game plan by 2025
- Continued coordination with other GSAs on shared responsibilities; ongoing
- Pursuit of recharge projects to reduce net overdraft; planning ongoing
- Exploring optimal means to develop groundwater use allocations and trading program within Mid-Kaweah GSA; game plan by 2025
- Collaboration with regulatory agencies towards improvements in water quality; ongoing
- Funding by Member agencies and/or GSA fee collections to cover administration and GSP implementation costs

## Want More Information? Find Mid-Kaweah's GSP at:

- ✓ Tulare Irrigation District office at 6826 Avenue 240
- ✓ City of Tulare Library at 475 N. M Street Tulare
- ✓ GSA website [www.midkaweah.org](http://www.midkaweah.org)

## Have Comments?

- ✓ Submit by E-Mail at: [midkaweah@gmail.com](mailto:midkaweah@gmail.com)
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- ✓ Comments due by Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>

(\*) See GSP Section 5 for more detailed information for your specific location, based on proximity to monitoring well sites.