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Topic: Mitigation Program



Kaweah Subbasin Mitigation Program

A Presentation to
My Job Depends on Water
2023 Grower Event

July 13, 2023





2015

SGMA goes into effect

2017

GSAs are formed

2020

First GSP is submitted
Implementation commences

2022

DWR sends 1st inadequate determination
GSAs submit Amended GSPs

2023

DWR sends 2nd inadequate determination



2023



The GSAs are working to address DWR's comments to avoid SWRCB probation

DWR sends 2nd inadequate determination

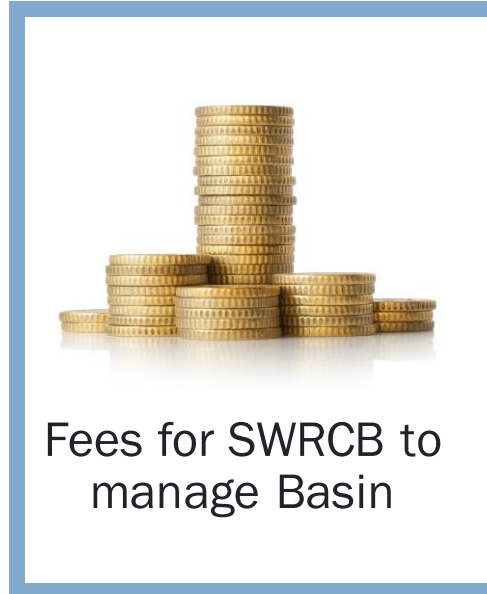
Why is SWRCB probation undesirable?



Landowner required annual reporting of monthly extractions



Metering requirements (paid for by landowner)



Fees for SWRCB to manage Basin



Sub

Fees can be raised at any point by SWRCB

Base Filing Fee

- \$300/well

Volumetric Fee

- \$40/ac-ft
- \$55/ac-ft if SWRCB develops interim plan

Late Fee

- 25% each month applicable

DWR's recommendations:

Refine Water Level Sustainable Management Criteria

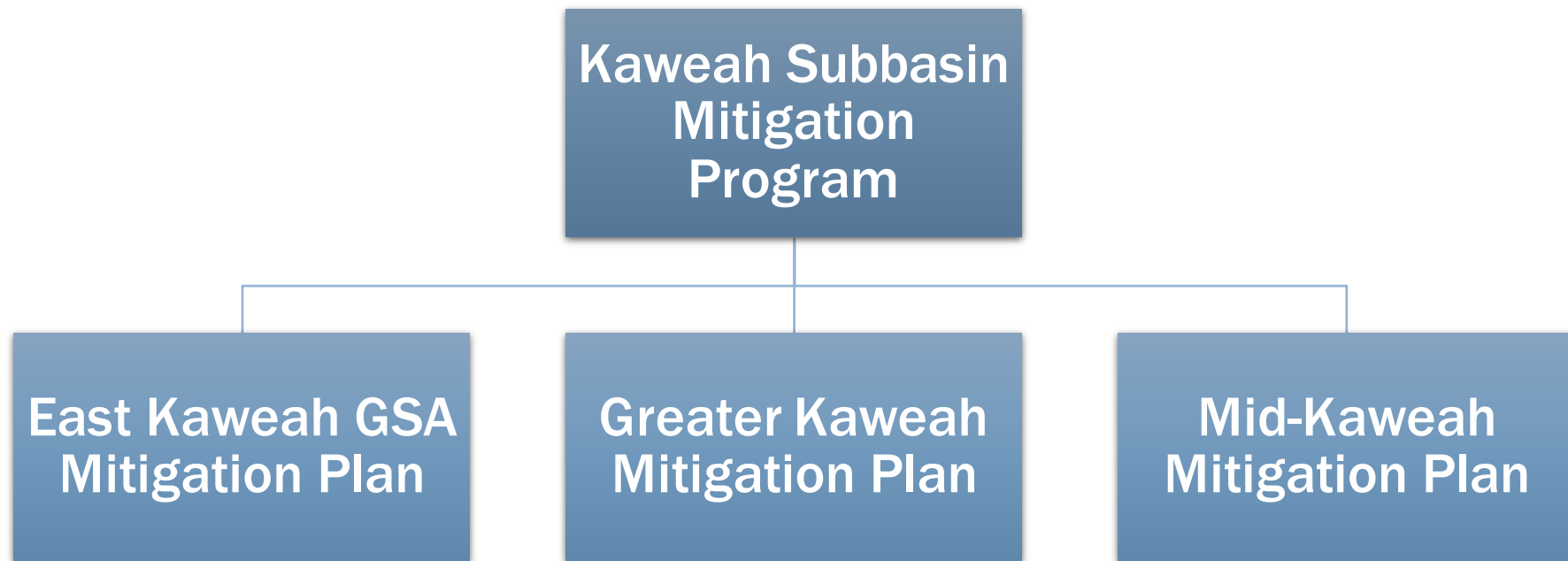
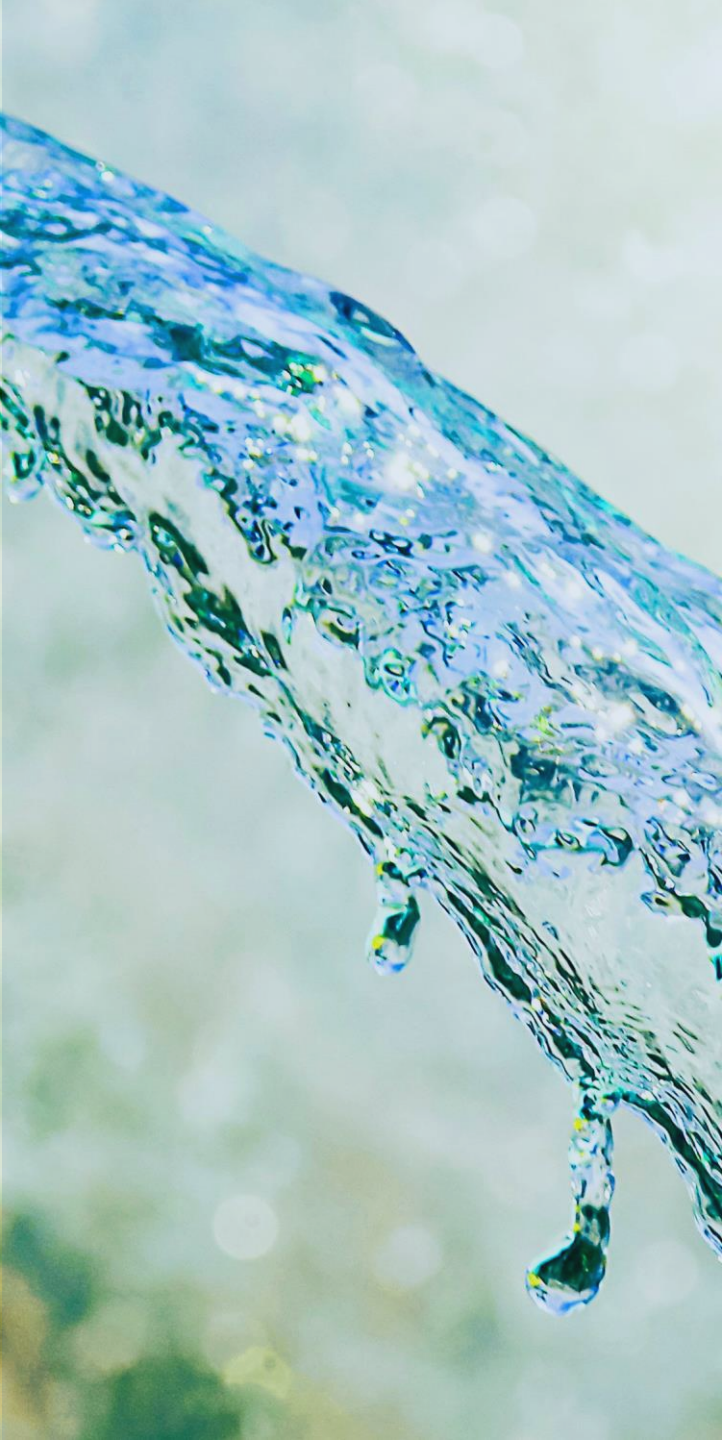
Refine Subsidence Sustainable Management Criteria

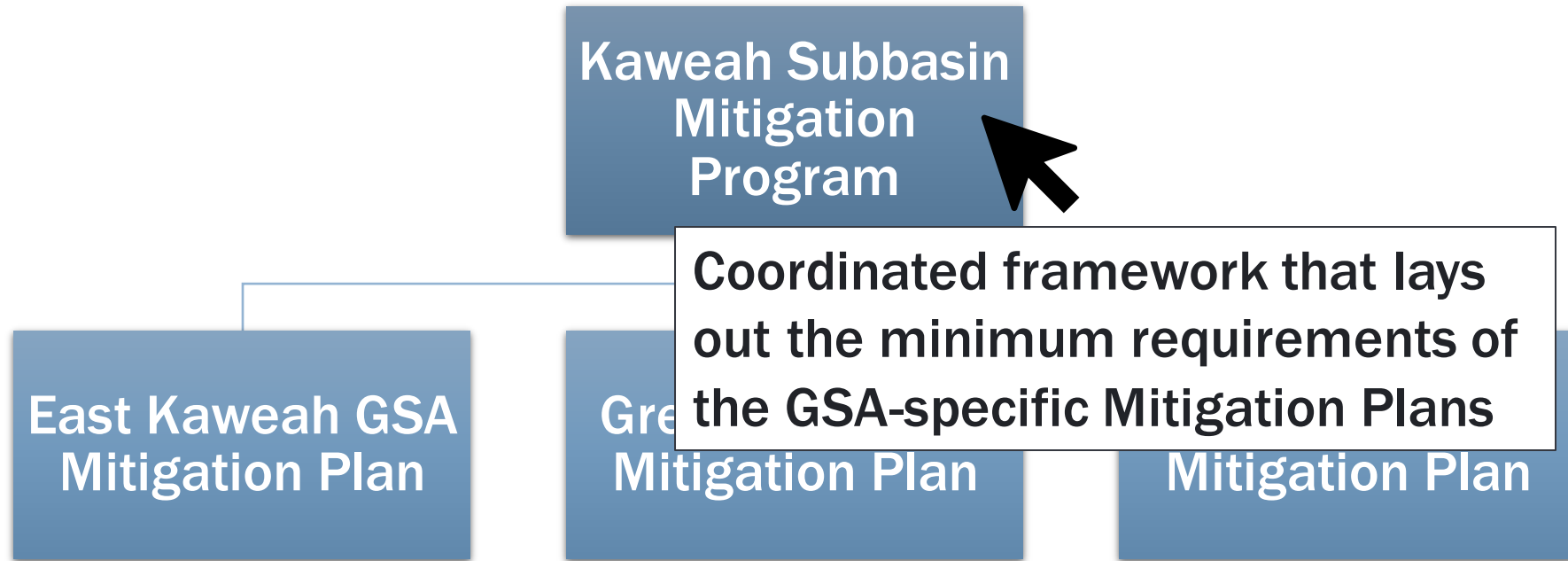
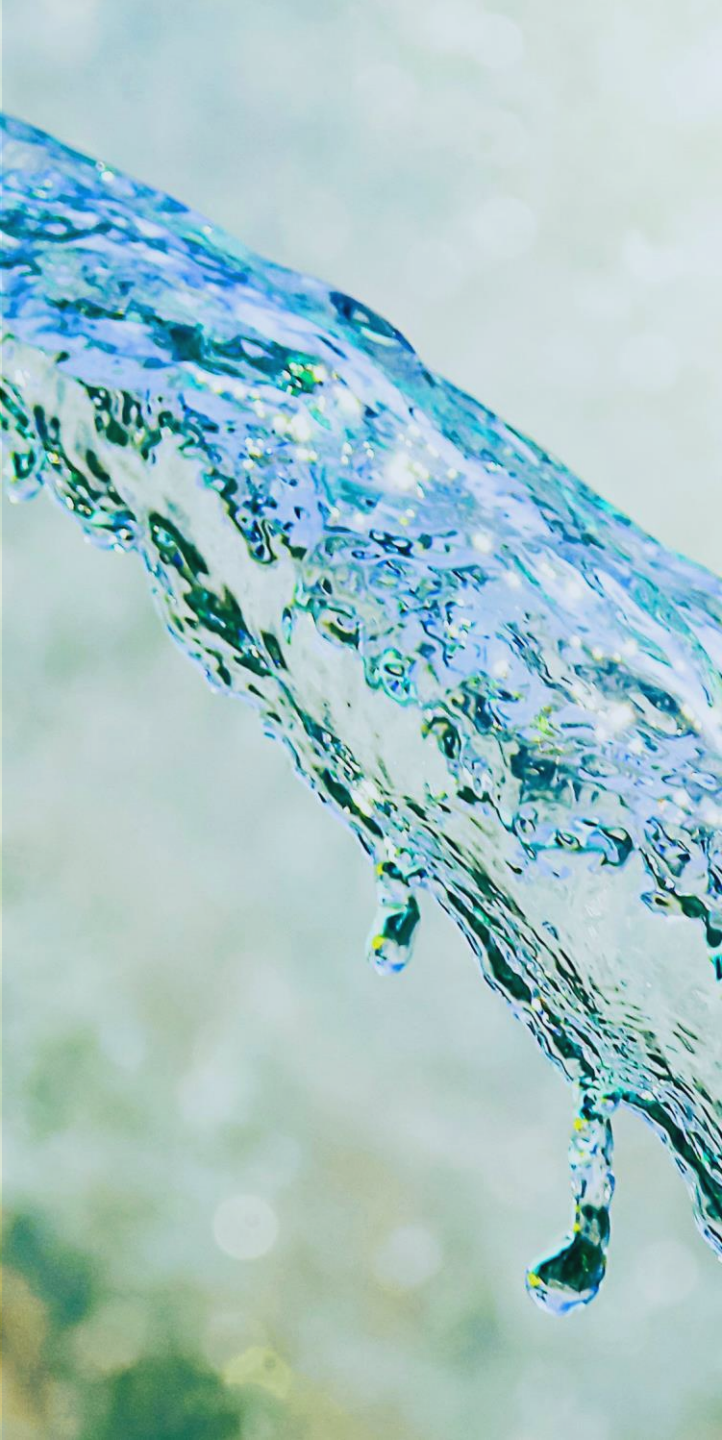
Develop a Mitigation Program

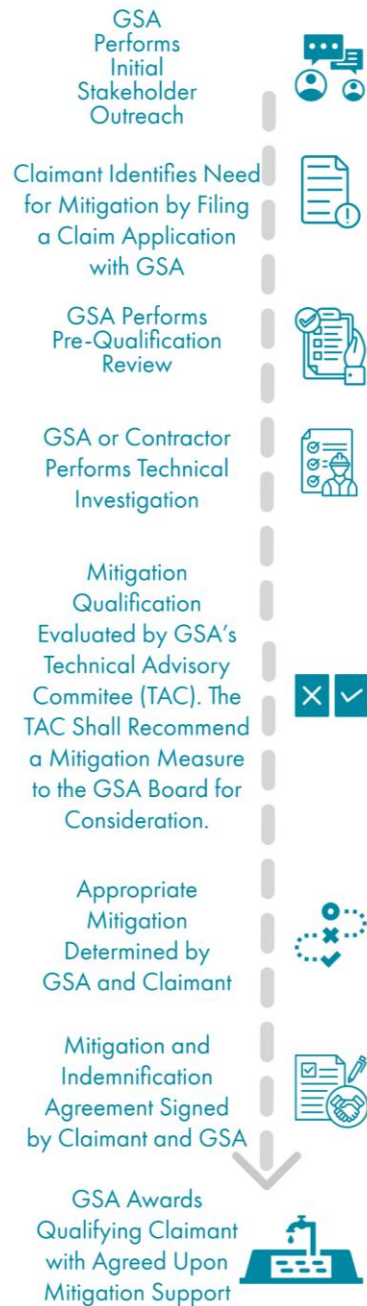
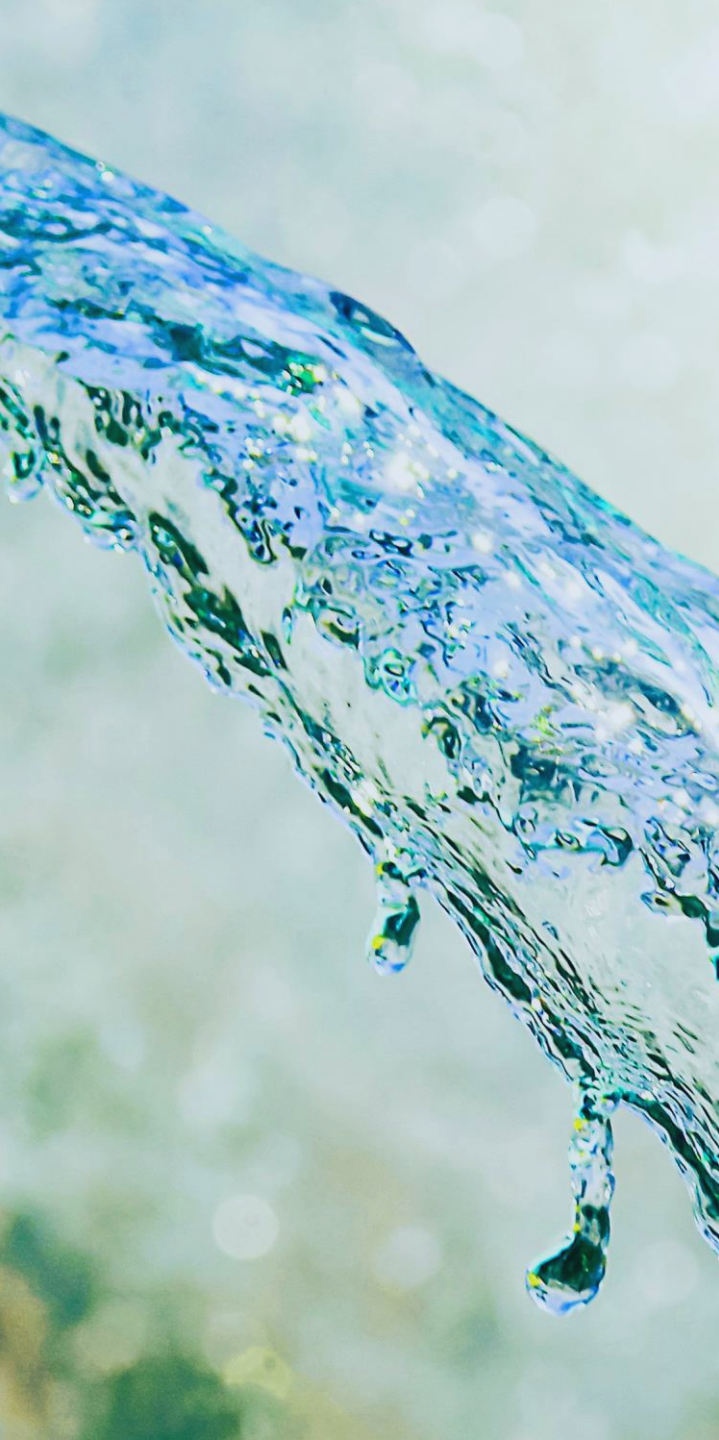
What does a Mitigation Plan do?

Outlines a process for impacted well owners to receive technical and/or financial assistance to mitigate

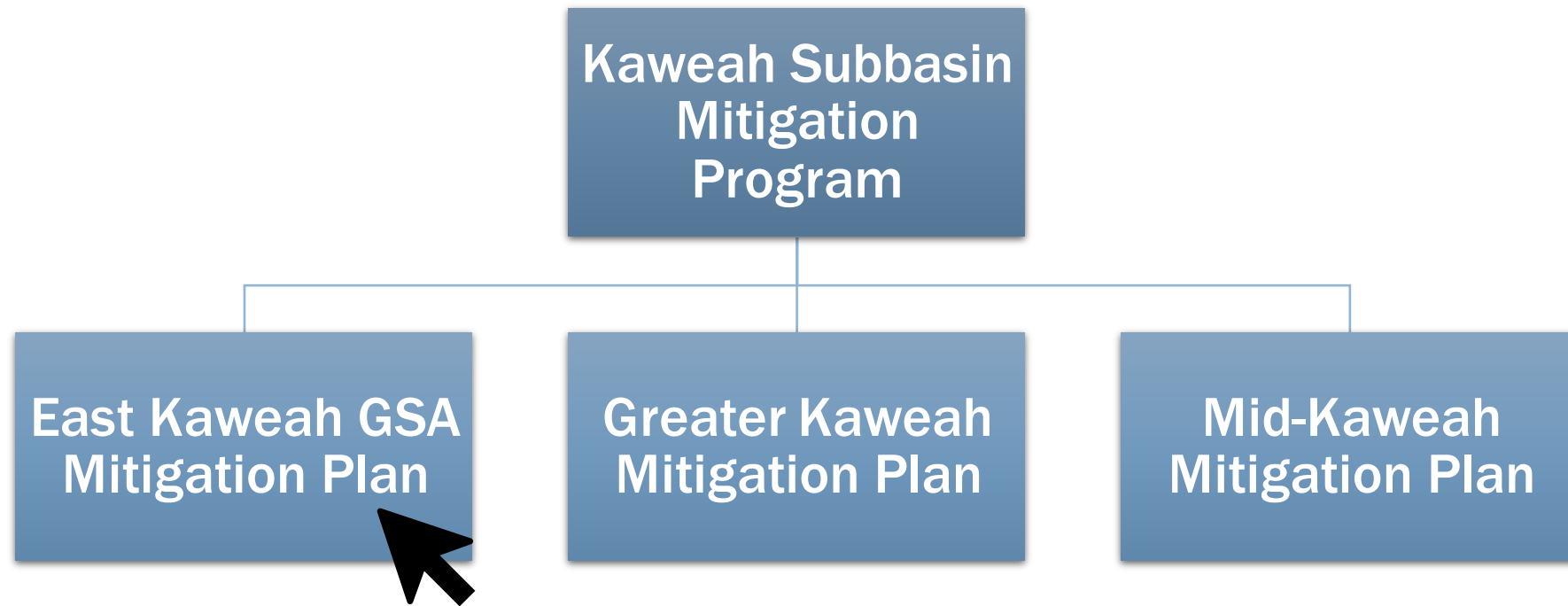
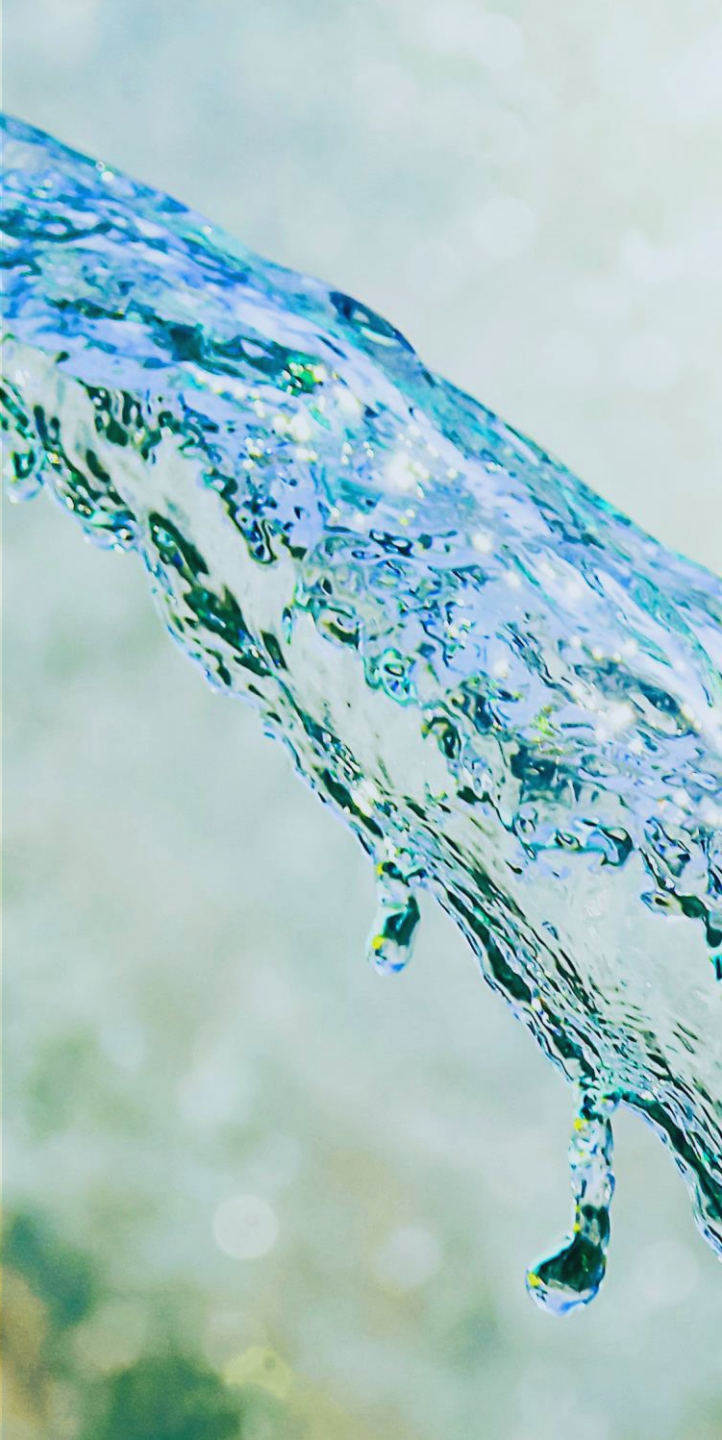
Impacts must be related to groundwater overdraft (post-GSP implementation) to qualify for assistance







What is the process?



Each GSA has developed a Mitigation Plan that identifies mitigation claims process, claim eligibility, and types of mitigation available.

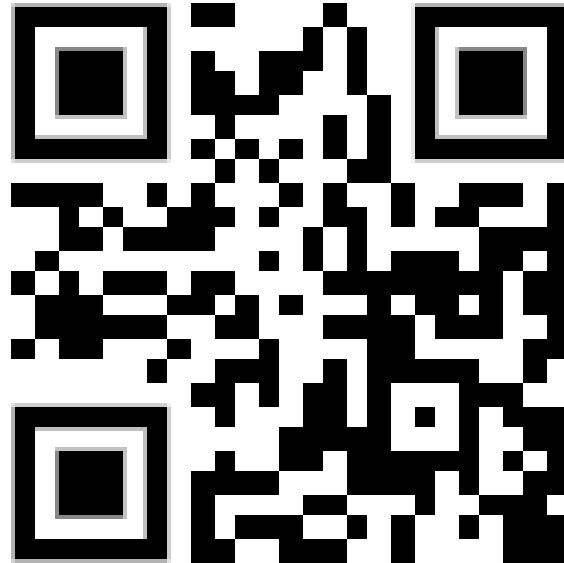
Public Comment Period is Open!

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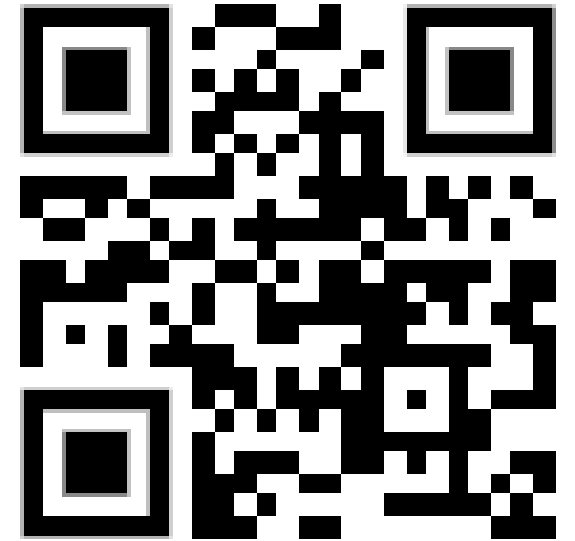
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