

Kaweah Subbasin Water Marketing Strategy

Public Workshop #3

Overview: The Kaweah Groundwater Subbasin Steering Committee (Committee) will be providing an overview of the Pilot Water Marketing Strategy for the Kaweah Subbasin at a public workshop on May 24. The hybrid workshop will be held on May 24 from 5 PM to 6:30 PM at Self-Help Enterprises as well as online via Zoom (details shown below). **Live, in-person translation will be provided for those who would prefer to receive the information in Spanish.**

The Water Marketing Strategy is a locally led effort to provide Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSA) in the Kaweah Subbasin with a framework to support the transfer of groundwater allocations between eligible buyers and sellers. The effort is managed by the Committee, who represent the full range of groundwater users and uses in the region and is slated to result in a preliminary groundwater marketing approach for consideration by GSAs this year. The upcoming public workshop will present the practices, rules and procedures chosen by the Committee and outline the next steps for finalization of the Strategy Document and potential implementation of a pilot water market in Summer/Fall 2023.

Workshop #3: Pilot Water Market – Key Points of the Final Strategy

When: 5-6:30 p.m., May 24, 2023

Where: Hybrid Meeting

Physical Location

Self Help Enterprises — Annex Building Board Room

8445 W Elwin Ct, Visalia, CA 93291

Virtual Location

Zoom Webinar

<https://stantec.zoom.us/j/96798542391>

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Interpretation: On-site and virtual (Zoom) interpretation services for English/Spanish translation will be provided during the meeting.

The Kaweah Subbasin Water Marketing Strategy is an effort led by the Tulare Irrigation District in partnership with the Mid-Kaweah GSA, Greater Kaweah GSA, and East Kaweah GSA, with funding support of the Bureau of Reclamation's WaterSMART grant program and the Department of Water Resources Facilitation Support Services Program.

Agenda

Overview of the Water Marketing Strategy Development Progress

Presenter: Aaron Fukuda, Mid-Kaweah GSA and Tulare Irrigation District, and Matthew Fienup, Ph.D., Environmental Market Specialists, Inc.

Public Workshops #1 and #2 provided an overview of the water marketing strategy concept for the Kaweah Subbasin, including a detailed review of existing water markets and the set of Guiding Principles adopted by the Kaweah Subbasin Water Marketing Strategy Committee. The Committee subsequently applied the Guiding Principles to make specific choices among the various alternatives for a pilot market to be implemented in the Kaweah Subbasin this water year.

This item will provide a high-level recap of the Committee's work as well as a detailed description of the practices, rules and procedures adopted by the Kaweah Subbasin Water Marketing Strategy Committee for version 1.0 of the Kaweah Subbasin water market.

Link to Public Workshop #1 and #2 Materials and Meeting Videos (Oct. 27, 2021 and Oct. 19, 2022, respectively): <https://tulareid.org/kaweah-subbasin-water-marketing-strategy-committee>

Next Steps and Pilot Water Market Implementation

Presenter: Aaron Fukuda, Mid-Kaweah GSA and Tulare Irrigation District, and Matthew Fienup, Ph.D., Environmental Market Specialists, Inc.

This item will outline the next steps for the finalization of the Strategy Document and implementation of the pilot water market for the Kaweah Subbasin.