Community Water Leaders Network: Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Workshop

April 1, 2017
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM
Cafe 210 (210 W. Center Ave., Visalia)

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM  Registration and Pre-Activity
9:00 AM - 9:20 AM  Welcome and Introductions
9:20 AM - 10:00 AM Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) overview
  ✓ What is SGMA and why is it important?
  ✓ Three steps for SGMA implementation
  ✓ Community participation and stakeholder engagement
10:00 AM - 10:20 AM Groundwater Basics
  ✓ Groundwater 101
  ✓ Groundwater overdraft and undesirable results
  ✓ Climate change impacts on groundwater
10:20 AM - 10:30 AM  Break
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM Defining and Measuring Sustainability
  ✓ Measurable objectives
  ✓ Minimum thresholds
  ✓ Sustainability is subjective!
  ✓ GROUP EXERCISE: Setting a minimum threshold
12:30 PM - 1:10 PM  Lunch
1:10 PM - 3:10 PM  Developing Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs)
  ✓ Water budgets
  ✓ Safe yield vs. sustainable yield
  ✓ GROUP EXERCISE: Reviewing your basin’s water budget
  ✓ Groundwater models
  ✓ Working with consultants
3:10 PM - 3:20 PM  Break
3:20 PM - 3:50 PM  Wrap-Up and Next Steps
3:50 PM - 4:00 PM  Evaluation and Thank You