

### **ATTACHMENT 3: STATUS OF GWMP**

The Glenn County Groundwater Management Plan (GWMP) was adopted February 15, 2000 as Ordinance No. 1115 (See **Attachment 3.1**), and engrossed in Chapter 20.003 (Groundwater Management) of the Glenn County Code. The purpose and intent of the GWMP is to protect the overall economy and environment of Glenn County by maintaining safe yield as defined in Section 20.003.020 and fostering prudent groundwater management practices. The County intends to work cooperatively with interested local agencies to further develop and implement joint groundwater management practices.

The main components of the GWMP establish a Water Advisory Committee (WAC), a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), a groundwater monitoring program, and Basin Management Objectives (BMOs). The WAC is a twenty-two person advisory body representing a variety of water interests within the County. The TAC is a nine person committee with representatives from the County, Department of Water Resources (DWR), University of California Extension Office, and at-large members of the community. The monitoring plan has three main components: groundwater levels, groundwater quality, and land subsidence. Section 20.003.060 of the Code directs the WAC to establish a network to monitor groundwater levels, Section 20.003.080 of the Code directs the WAC to establish a network to monitor groundwater quality, and Section 20.003.090 of the Code directs the WAC to establish a network of monitoring well with extensometers to monitor and detect land subsidence on a continuous basis and conduct a GPS based survey every five years. Section 20.003.40 discusses BMOs.

The Glenn County Groundwater Management Plan contains many components necessary for compliance with California Water Code. As the WAC continues to evolve and improve, more information will be gathered that will ensure long-term sustainability of groundwater within Glenn County and the surrounding region. A website was also developed for the purpose of disseminating information to interested parties.

Ordinance 1115 (County Code 20.003) is currently being modified and is anticipated to be in place by December 31, 2012. The major modifications include restructuring of the WAC and TAC, incorporating the Preliminary Plan for Groundwater and Coordinated Water Management, and incorporating Export Water Transfer Guidelines.