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Hello!

Some excellent comments have already come in from other WRAC members, most of which I endorse. What I wonder at this point is whether the whole RMS process can be delayed to take into account information being developed in connection with SGMA compliance; at present, the RMS seems to be operating in a different universe than the data underlying the SGMA process. For example, information being developed in the Basin Characterization Study for the San Luis Obispo/Edna Basin will undoubtedly contribute to more precise RMS findings.

A particular mis-alignment not mentioned by other commenters occurs in the Santa Margarita area. The Santa Margarita section refers to something called the "Santa Margarita Basin" but the DWR-recognized boundary of the Atascadero Sub-basin includes most of the community of Santa Margarita and much of the adjacent Santa Margarita Ranch, particularly to the north. Is there a Santa Margarita Basin separate from the Atascadero Sub-Basin, and, if so, where is it? How does it relate to the Atascadero Sub-Basin? Why is Santa Margarita left out of the discussion of the Atascadero Sub-Basin?

If we will be living with the new RMS for the two years during which Groundwater Management Plans will be created, it would be wise for us to take whatever time is needed to align the data in the RMS with that which underlies the SGMA efforts. In the meantime, I would be reluctant to have us adopt a document that ignores the information being used in the SGMA process.

Many thanks,

Eric