

State Water Resources Control Board
Sustainable Groundwater Management Act
May 18, 2017

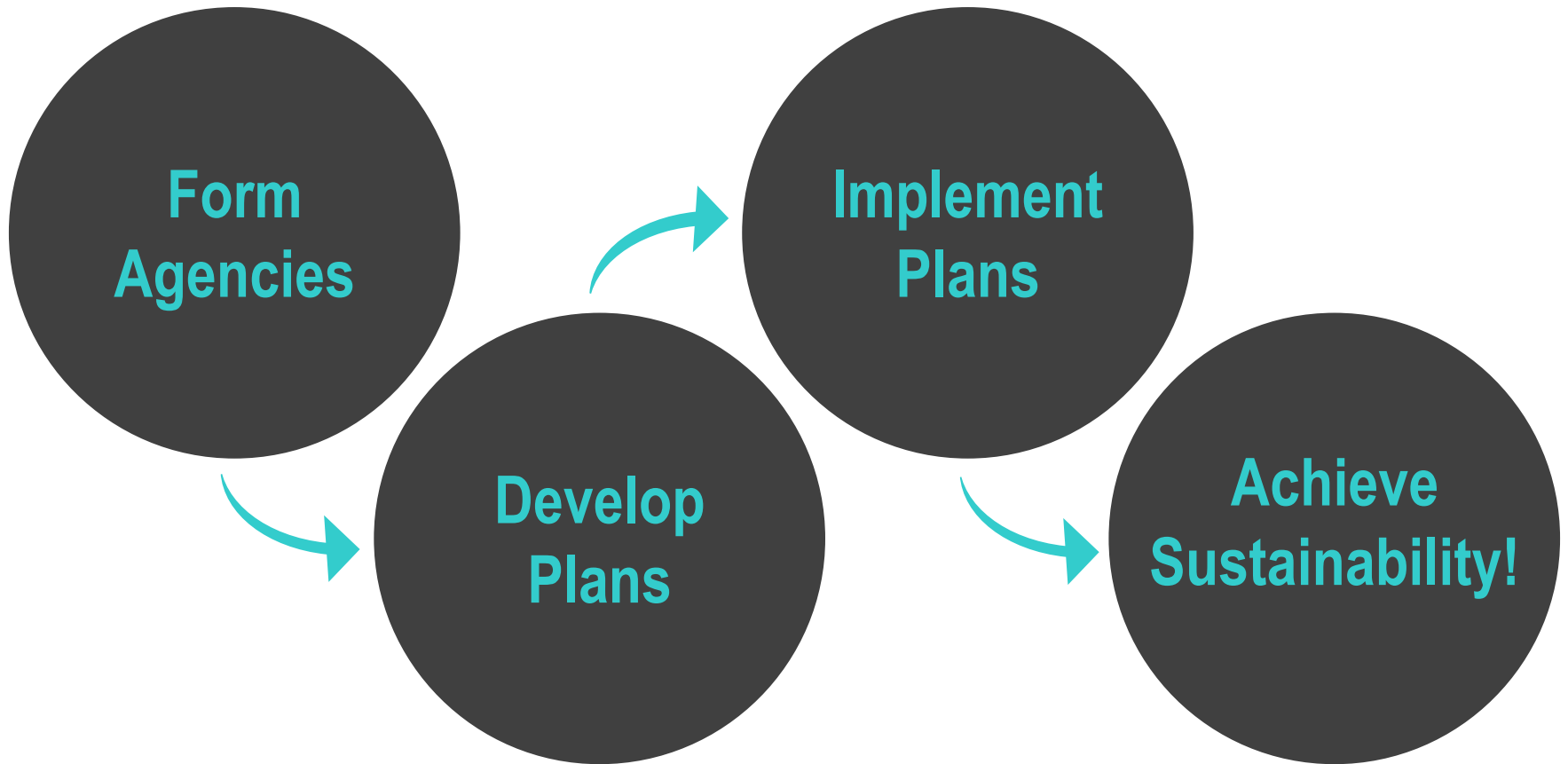
Regulatory
Deadlines
Ahead



“ Groundwater **management**
in California is best
accomplished **locally.** ”

Governor Jerry Brown

SGMA



“ [W]here a local groundwater sustainability agency is not managing its groundwater sustainably, **the state needs to protect the resource** until...a local groundwater sustainability agency can sustainably manage the groundwater basin.”

Board Backstop Basics

- 1 Board only steps in when local efforts fail.
- 2 Temporarily protects the basin until locals come up-to-speed.
- 3 Backstop is triggered by SGMA deadlines.



Triggering the Backstop



Jul 1, 2017 No GSA or No Alternative



Feb 1, 2020



Feb 1, 2022

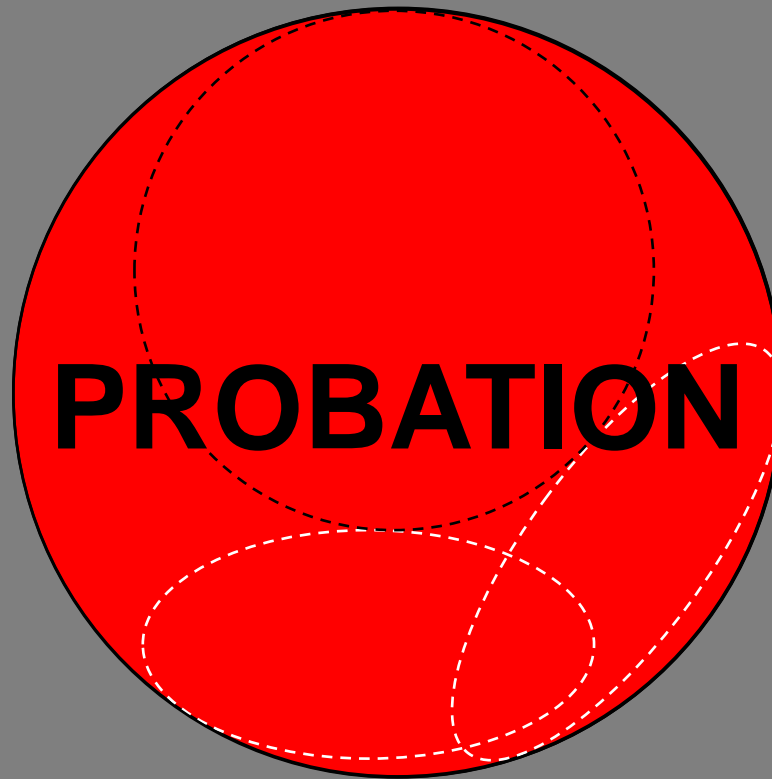


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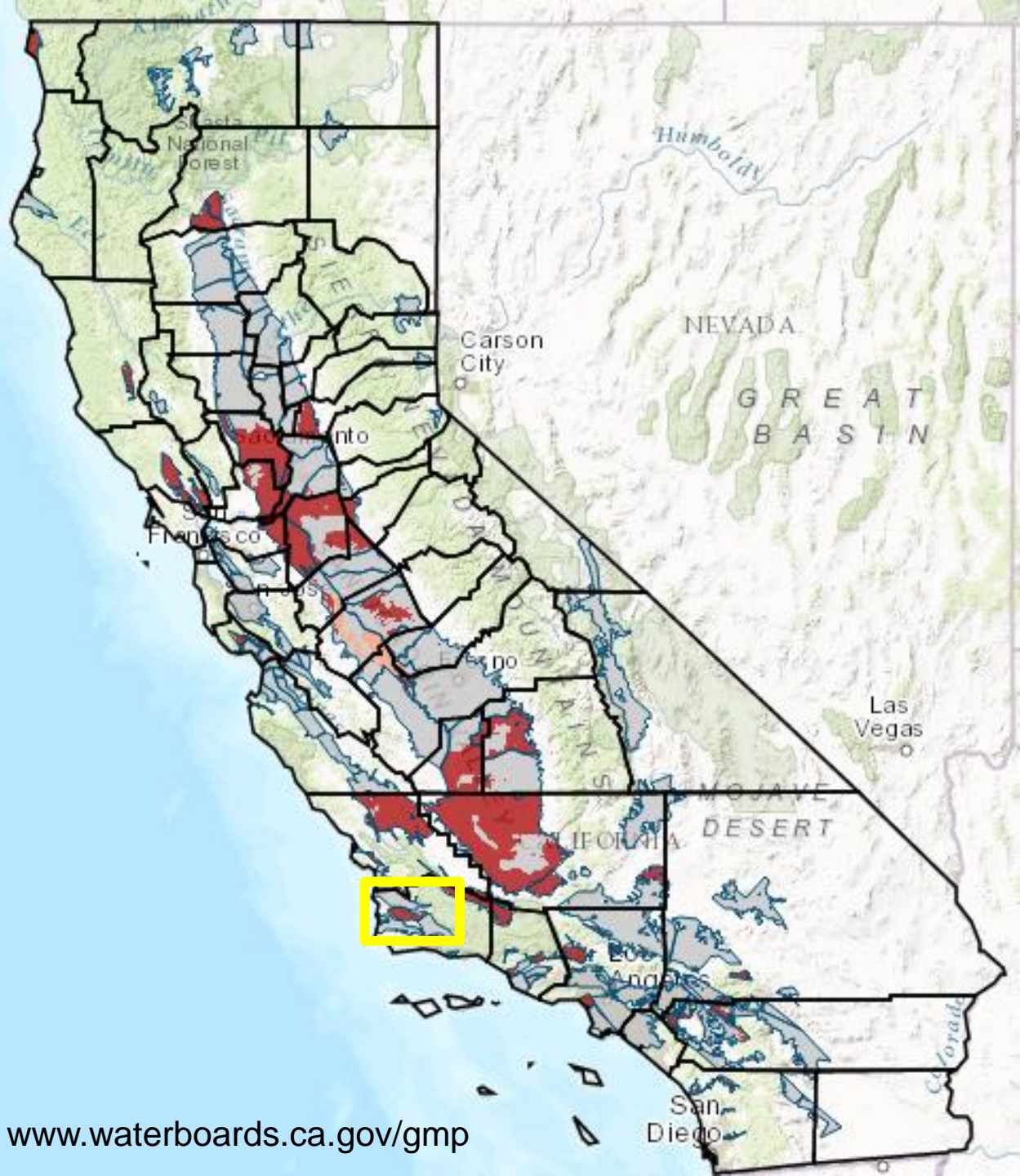
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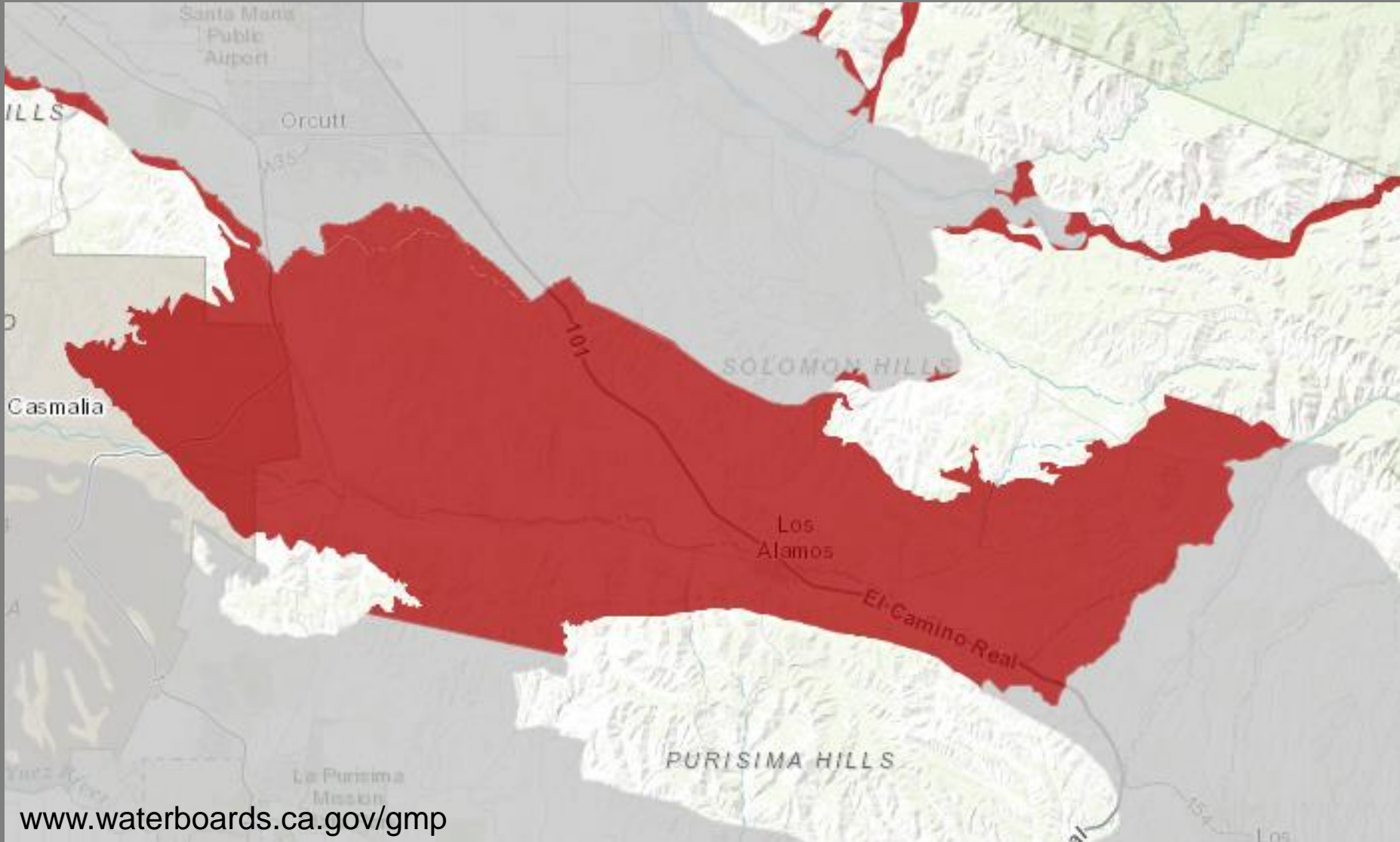
GSA

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**Unmanaged
Area**



Unmanaged Area Map



Groundwater extraction reports

Pumpers report directly to the Board annually.

- 1 Well location and capacity**
- 2 Monthly extraction volumes**
- 3 Place and purpose of use**

De Minimis users are exempt.

Probationary groundwater BASIN



Opportunity to fix issues



Board investigations



All pumpers report



May require meters

De Minimis users are not exempt.



REPORTING Timeline

2017

May 16



Board Meeting
to adopt Fees

Jun 15



Reporting
System Testing

Jun 30



Deadline to
form GSA

Jul 1



Fees
Effective

Sep 30



2017 Water
Year Ends

Oct 1



Reporting
Begins

Dec 15



Reports due
for 2017

Appendix slides

“The board shall exclude from probationary status any portion of a basin for which a groundwater sustainability agency demonstrates compliance with the sustainability goal.”

Water Code Section 10735.2(e)

“ The determination may exclude a class or category of extractions from the... [reporting requirements] if those extractions are subject to a local plan or program that adequately manages groundwater ...or if those extractions are likely to have a minimal impact on basin withdrawals.”

Water Code Section 10735.2 (c)(1)

“The board shall include in its interim plan a groundwater sustainability plan, or any element of a plan, that the board finds complies with the sustainability goal for that portion of the basin or would help meet the sustainability goal for the basin.”

Water Code section 10735.8(e)