

**Implementing the Human Right to Water - 2019 DRAFT Workplan
Central Coast Region**

Updated January 15, 2019

CATEGORY	TASK	DELIVERABLE	PRIORITY	STAFF	STATUS	Notes
(*New tasks are shown in blue)						
PRIORITIZATION	Prioritize Drinking Water	Utilize GIS data and maps of drinking water wells and associated pollutants to inform prioritization and increase cross-program coordination.	Med	Program Managers	Ongoing	<i>Data and information available to regulatory programs in GeoTracker.</i>
PRIORITIZATION	Upload Groundwater Data to GeoTracker	Upload groundwater data to GeoTracker; Coordinate business rules as needed.	Med	Program Managers	Ongoing	<i>All Central Coast Water Board programs that collect groundwater data currently manage the data in GeoTracker, with exception of the WDR Program - which is currently in progress.</i>
PRIORITIZATION	Water Quality Impacts Related to Homelessness	Assess potential water quality impacts related to homelessness.	Med	Not Assigned	NEW	<i>Evaluate water quality impacts associated with homelessness and consider potential solutions.</i>
PRIORITIZATION	Climate Change Impacts to DACs	Assess potential climate change impacts to DACs and coordinate with relevant programs.	Med	Program Managers	NEW	<i>Disadvantaged communities (DACs) in the Central Coast Region are more vulnerable to the effects of climate change. Low-income households in the region are disproportionately exposed to rising sea level. Santa Cruz, Monterey, San Luis Obispo, and Santa Barbara Counties have higher percentages of disadvantaged populations that are vulnerable to flood-related, sea level rise risk, relative to other California coastal counties.</i>
PRIORITIZATION	Subsistence Fishing Beneficial Use Evaluation	Identify areas where DACs may have subsistence fishing uses and related risks (e.g. heavy metal or pesticide exposure).	Med	SWAMP / CCAMP	<i>Planned for 2020</i>	<i>Based on preliminary information provided by Kennedy Communication regarding subsistence fishing uses in southern part of region, CCAMP staff are coordinating with Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program to conduct fish tissue monitoring in the Central Coast Region. Pending results of monitoring, staff will consider next steps, including coordination with OEEHA and local public health agencies, as appropriate.</i>
IMPLEMENTATION	Ag Order 3.0	Implement order conditions to protect drinking water and minimize nitrate loading from irrigated agriculture, including groundwater and nitrogen application monitoring and reporting; Conduct outreach to communities impacted by nitrate contamination to drinking water.	High	Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program	Pending	<i>Staff is considering regulatory follow-up to address high priority nitrogen loading to groundwater.</i>

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IMPLEMENTATION	Ag Order 4.0	Develop options for Ag Order 4.0 requirements to protect drinking water and minimize nitrate loading from irrigated agriculture.	High	Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program	In Progress	<i>On November 19, 2018, the Central Coast Water Board released a conceptual framework for Ag Order 4.0, including options to address nitrate loading to groundwater. The document provides interested parties with an opportunity to provide comment on the conceptual framework and associated regulatory requirements.</i>
IMPLEMENTATION	Drinking Water Cases - Nitrate	Continue to prioritize and work on drinking water cases to ensure safe drinking water (e.g. replacement water) and pollutant load reduction due to nitrate.	High	Enforcement Program Office of Enforcement	In Progress	<i>Based upon the successful implementation of the Year 1 Agreement, the Executive Officer, the Chief Deputy Director of the State Water Board, and the Salinas Basin Agricultural Stewardship Group (SBASG) agreed to extend the Agreement for a second year of implementation to address nitrate impacts from agriculture in the Salinas Basin. The Agreement will automatically renew for additional one-year periods unless any party to the Agreement provides notice to the other parties. Year 1 focused on small water systems and Year 2 implementation focuses on providing replacement water to domestic wells. In addition, staff is also following up on specific nitrate pollution cases to ensure safe drinking water.</i>
IMPLEMENTATION	Drinking Water Cases - Site Cleanup Program	Continue to prioritize and work on SCP drinking water cases to ensure safe drinking water (e.g. replacement water) and pollutant load reduction due to TCE, perchlorate and other industrial pollutants.	High	Site Cleanup Program	In Progress	<i>SCP drinking water cases include Olin (Perchlorate) and Buckley (TCE).</i>
IMPLEMENTATION	UCLA Pilot Project	Review monitoring data to evaluate discharge from drinking water treatment systems for UCLA Pilot Project sites; Coordinate with State Board DFA and DDW staff.	Med	WDR Program	In Progress	<i>Continue to collaborate with State Water Board and UCLA to implement wellhead treatment using reverse osmosis and operated with remote telemetry (virtual consolidation) at three DAC communities in the Salinas Valley, including permitting issues related to waste discharge from treatment systems and related verification monitoring. Construction to begin in January 2019.</i>
IMPLEMENTATION	Region-Wide Domestic Well Outreach and Sampling Project	CCAMP-GAP project to implement a domestic well outreach and sampling project within the Central Coast Region with an emphasis on high-risk nitrate areas and DACs.	Med	CCAMP - GAP	In Progress	<i>Region-wide well testing started in September 2018 in Monterey County. Groundwater quality data is managed in GeoTracker GAMA.</i>
IMPLEMENTATION	Santa Barbara County Drinking Water Well Data Management Assistance	Assist Santa Barbara County with drinking water well data and information management; Digitize existing data and produce GIS maps.	Med	Heal the Ocean	In Progress	<i>Heal the Ocean provided funding for a part-time scientific aid position to assist with capturing groundwater data in Santa Barbara County, prioritizing Santa Ynez and Los Olivos.</i>

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OUTREACH AND PARTICIPATION	Support to Disadvantaged Communities	Assist individual communities to increase capacity and coordination with DFA, DDW and local agencies to ensure safe and affordable drinking water for residents, including related to SGMA.	Med	EJ Coordinator Grants Program Community Water Center	Ongoing	<i>In coordination with Community Water Center, staff works locally to actively support individuals and communities to facilitate and increase their ability to obtain needed technical assistance, to seek and successfully apply for grant funds, and to coordinate with permitting programs to prioritize and implement projects. In addition, conduct outreach to assess DAC needs related to SGMA.</i>
PERFORMANCE MONITORING AND REPORTING	Annual HRTW Update to the Board	Prepare annual progress report to the Board regarding the status of the HRTW workplan activities.	Med	EJ Coordinator	Not Started	<i>Provide annual update at February 2020 Board Meeting.</i>
PARTNERSHIP	Regional EJ Service Capacity	Implement grant contract with Community Water Center to increase long-term, regional EJ capacity.	High	CCAMP-GAP Community Water Center	NEW	Community Water Center will maintain a local presence and increase EJ capacity to serve Central Coast DACs in securing safe drinking water and wastewater solutions.
PARTNERSHIP	Coordination with Division of Drinking Water and County Environmental Health Agency	Continue to share data and coordinate with other state and local government agencies (e.g. DDW and county environmental health) to increase efficiency and remove obstacles to safe and affordable drinking water.	Med	EJ Coordinator, CCAMP	Ongoing	<i>Staff continues to coordinate with partner state and local government agencies, including sharing data and implementation of short and long term drinking water solutions.</i>
PARTNERSHIP	Community Outreach	Continue to conduct outreach to non-profit organizations, impacted communities, and private businesses, to evaluate needs and ensure safe and affordable drinking water.	Med	EJ Coordinator, Grants Program	Ongoing	<i>In coordination with Community Water Center, consult IRMW DAC plans, engage in IRWM and SGMA activities to prioritize projects and related outreach to stakeholders to identify and follow-up on EJ issues. Also consider outreach and coordination to high schools and community colleges to inform stakeholders about EJ issues and resources.</i>
PARTNERSHIP	Coordination with IRWM DAC Involvement Activities	Consult IRMW DAC plans, including IRWM DAC involvement activities and projects.	Med	To Be Determined	NEW	In coordination with Community Water Center, engage with partners implementing the Integrated Regional Water Management Program Disadvantaged Communities Involvement Grant for the Central Coast Funding Area (DWR Grant No. 4600012296) to support DAC drinking water and wastewater needs and prioritize specific projects based on local needs assessments;