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**TO:** Technical Advisory Group for the Napa County Groundwater Sustainability Agency  
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**SUBJECT:** Update on DWR's Facilitation Support Services

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Technical Advisory Group members will receive an update from California Department of Water Resources' Facilitation Support Services team on progress to assist the Napa County GSA improve outreach and engagement efforts.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Overview of Facilitation Support Services provided to the Napa County Groundwater Sustainability Agency by DWR's Facilitation Support Services.

#### **Procedure**

Staff introduces the item

Questions and answers with the TAG.

Public comments.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

### **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

The NCGSA submitted a request to DWR for Facilitation Support Services in late January to assist the GSA with several efforts including:

1. Provide facilitation and support for the Technical Advisory Group meetings,
2. Update the 2020 NCGSA Stakeholder Communication and Engagement Plan (CEP), and
3. Assist with public meetings and the development of informational materials.

In the April Technical Advisory (TAG) Group meeting the TAG received a presentation on Communications and Engagement Services the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) is providing to the NCGSA through its Facilitation Support Services (FSS) program.

During this meeting Lisa Beutler, Senior Facilitator from Stantec, will provide an update on her team's initial steps and activities since the last TAG meeting and provide an overview of their review of the existing Communications and Engagement Plan (CEP). She will highlight areas of the CEP the facilitators plan to focus on during the update process and seek input from the TAG on their priorities and suggestions for the update. They will also provide a preview of planned activities for May and June 2023.

### **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

#### A. NCGSA Stakeholder Communications and Engagement Plan (2020)