

East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (ETSGSA)

Open Call for Demand Reduction Project Concepts

Purpose

This *Open Call for Demand Reduction Project Concepts* is intended to give landowners and growers in the Turlock Subbasin an opportunity to share with ETSGSA their ideas for projects that may be eligible for funding through the ETSGSA's Multibenefit Land Repurposing Program (MLRP)¹, or other ETSGSA incentive-based groundwater demand reduction programs. Your response will help ETSGSA understand the types of projects landowners are considering and shape its programs to best meet the needs of the Turlock Subbasin.

Submittal of this form does not constitute an application or obligation to participate in any specific ETSGSA incentive-based program, nor does it obligate ETSGSA to accept a project for funding. The information collected will be used to assess initial interest and assist in planning a formal project solicitation process.

Deadline

Completed forms ("Project Concepts") can be provided to ETSGSA at any time. However, to be eligible for consideration as an MLRP "pilot project"², Project Concepts must be submitted by **5 PM on January 7, 2025**.

Instructions

Please provide your Project Concept by completing Items 1 and 2 below and submitting to the ETSGSA by one of the following methods:

Email: etsgsa-support@formationenv.com

Mail: East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Attn: Groundwater Demand Reduction Project Concepts
731 East Yosemite Ave., Suite B#318
Merced, California 95340

For questions or assistance, please contact us at: etsgsa-support@formationenv.com.

Thank You

We appreciate your participation in this *Open Call for Demand Reduction Project Concepts*. Your input is valuable in shaping programs to meet the needs of our community.

¹ The MLRP is a grant-funded initiative aimed at supporting landowners in transitioning agricultural lands to uses that reduce groundwater demand while providing environmental and community benefits (more information is available at: <https://turlockgroundwater.org/multibenefit-land-repurposing>).

² MLRP "pilot projects" are MLRP projects that the ETSGSA may evaluate and approve for implementation funding on an expedited timeframe.

1 CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

2 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

In the space below, please describe any groundwater demand reduction project concepts you may have in mind. To the extent possible, please include the following details:

- *Brief description of project elements (e.g., land fallowing, planting of cover crop or pollinator habitat, construction of recharge ponds, installation of new water delivery infrastructure, substitution of new alternative water supplies for current groundwater uses, etc.)*
- *Project location and layout (please include a map and the parcel number(s))*
- *Number of acres affected by the project (e.g., area of land to be repurposed, or to be served by new alternative water supplies)*
- *Current land use (crop type) and irrigation water source*
- *Project water source, if applicable*
- *Implementation schedule and project duration*
- *Estimated groundwater demand reduction resulting from the project, if known*
- *Needs for technical assistance in project development.*