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**Goleta Water District Schedules Workshop
and Solicits Public Input on
Draft Groundwater Management Plan**

GOLETA, California – Goleta Water District is nearing completion of its Groundwater Management Plan and would like public input. The District has scheduled a workshop for 7 PM, Wednesday, April 7, 2010. All are welcome. The workshop will be held in the Board Room of the Goleta Union School District located at 401 N. Fairview Avenue.

The District's consultant, Dr. Steve Bachman, will be presenting highlights of the draft Groundwater Management Plan, and will be available to answer questions. "This will be a great opportunity for the District's customers to learn about our groundwater resources, ask questions, and give their input," said Director Bert Bertrando.

Some of the topics to be covered in the presentation include: 1) How the groundwater basin should be operated under the guidelines of the Wright Judgment and Goleta Water District's SAFE Ordinance; 2) Evaluation of the effectiveness of the current drought buffer; 3) Recommendations for a drought pumping strategy for the basin; and 4) Recommendations for future monitoring of basin.

The draft Groundwater Management Plan can be viewed or downloaded from the District's website at www.goletawater.com. Hard copies are also available for purchase at the District's office at 4699 Hollister Avenue for \$10.00.

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