

Application for the 2025-2026 Greater Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“GKGSA”) Land Fallowing Pilot Program

The Greater Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency has established a Land Fallowing Pilot Program in order to immediately reduce groundwater extraction within GKGSA’s jurisdictional boundaries, reduce impacts to domestic and irrigation wells, and effectuate the objectives of GKGSA’s Groundwater Sustainability Plan and the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (“SGMA”).

This year, the Board has approved a change from the previous year’s Uniform Price Auction process to a fixed-price program. Under this new approach, the price will be set in advance rather than determined through bidding, providing greater predictability for participants. The program will follow the sequence of process and requirements detailed below.

Any farmable land within GKGSA’s boundaries with four or more acres is eligible to apply. Landowner must be in good standing with the GKGSA and compliant with all other rules, regulations, statutes, laws, etc.

GKGSA program’s process consists of a determination of need, application submission, review and awarding of applicants, and post-award payment followed by enforcement and verification.

Application Process: *The application process consists of a \$400 fixed price per acre. The application submissions will be accepted on a first come first serve basis. Applications will be reviewed, and landowners will be notified of acceptance or denial.*

Post-Award Payment. *Timing and Amount of Payments. Payments to those receiving awards will occur approximately fourteen (14) months following the start of the water year. Each party receiving an award will receive one (1) annual payment. The award recipient may elect to receive the award in December or January following the end of the contracted fallowing period.*



PILOT LAND FALLOWING PROGRAM SUBMISSION FORM

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name _____ Mailing Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Name of Farming Operation _____

Please refer to your water dashboard at <https://gsawd.com/> in order to provide accurate information below.

Water Dashboard Number (upper left hand corner of dashboard):WD_____

List the fields you pledge to fallow below.

Water Account Number	APN	Dashboard Field Name	Crop Type	Dashboard Field Acres
WA_____				
WA_____				
WA_____				
WA_____				
Total acres to Fallow:				
COMPENSATION: Price allocated per acre:				\$ 400

Would you be interested in strategic recharge opportunities to put excess surface water/flood water on your fallowed land? ☐ YES / ☐ NO

☐ I understand that if accepted, I am agreeing to fallow the above acreage(s) for a total of _____ **one year** beginning October 1, 2025 through September 31, 2026 and that 1.16 acre feet per acre of water will be deducted from my dashboard for each acre fallowed.

Signature _____ Date _____