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Comment from Lynne Nittler of Davis regarding groundwater ordinance:

Findings supporting a 45-day moratorium on new agricultural wells in the Focus Areas are set forth in the proposed Urgency Ordinance (Attachment A). To summarize, groundwater is a vital resource essential to the health, safety and welfare of the many communities and agricultural areas in the County. Therefore, it is necessary to better understand the impacts of land use changes on groundwater supplies and gather additional information to better inform the YSGA and County evaluation of proposed new agricultural wells in order to protect the sustainability of groundwater resources. Further study of the impacts of planting perennial crops on previously non-irrigated lands is essential to determine if further regulations should be implemented with respect to such land use changes in order to protect against unsustainable groundwater impacts.

Thank you,  
Lynne Nittler