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Concerned citizens ask the county to extend the moratorium for these essential items to be addressed fully.

1. We need to extend the moratorium for the following reasons.
2. **Improved characterization of the Yolo Subbasin Focus Areas:** There is insufficient data to characterize and understand the aquifer conditions and subsurface complexities in the Focus Areas.
3. **Updated data for analytical tools and hydrogeologic reviews in the Focus Areas:** Currently, there is not nearly enough.
4. **Creation of language that defines replacement wells:**
5. **Verification of pumping capacity**
6. **Prequalification of hydrogeologic consultants:** hydrogeologists preapproved by the YSGA.
7. **Good alignment of governance between the county and YSGA**
8. **Surface water and groundwater:** Extending the moratorium provides the opportunity for an increased analysis of the role of surface water accessibility in well permit applications.
9. **Consideration of land use for historically unirrigated land**
10. **Public process into the future:** We support the creation of a publicly posted, timely notification procedure for well permits

Best,
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