

# Groundwater Well Registration and Metering Policy for *Non-De Minimis* Users

Agenda Item 5.4

Santa Cruz Mid-County Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Board of Directors Meeting

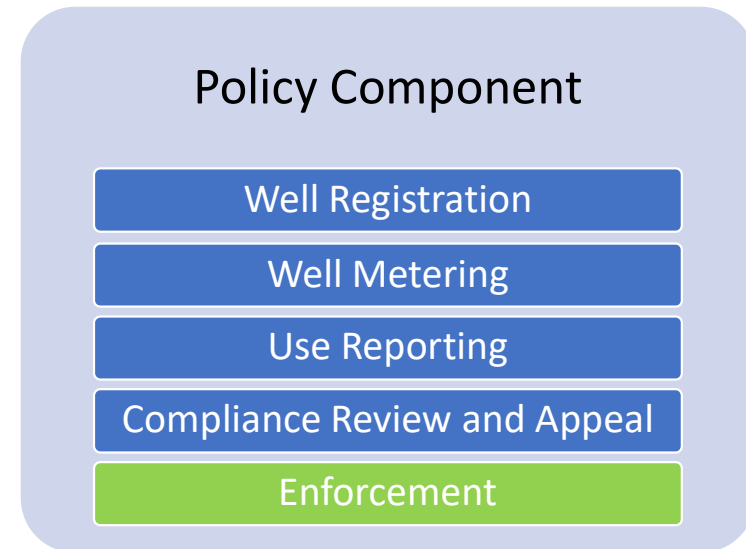
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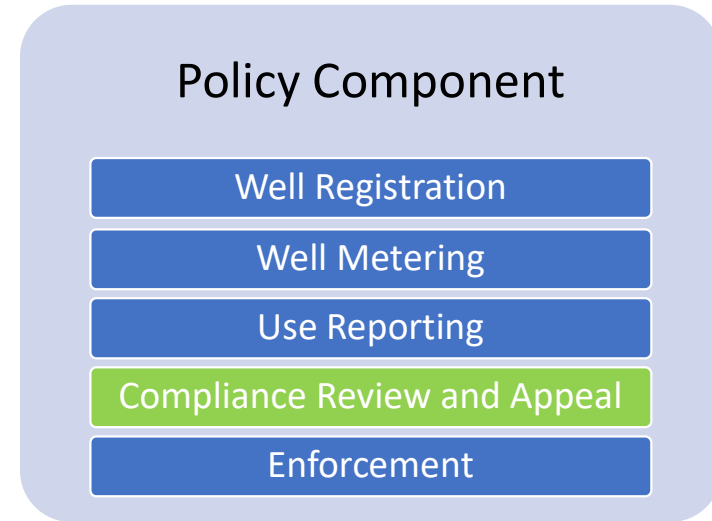
# Enforcement

Transmit Notice of Non-Compliance  
to County of Santa Cruz Environmental Health



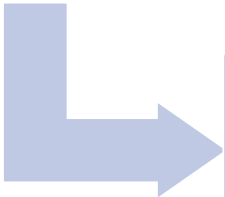
- Reserve the right to impose a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 with up to \$100 for each additional day of non-compliance by Owner
- Reserve the right to enter into an agreement with a member agency to enforce portions or all of this Policy

# Compliance Review and Appeal



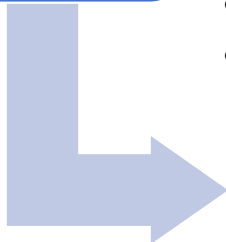
Compliance Deadline Missed

- Basin Point of Contact (POC) sends letter to Owner to explain violation, corrective steps, and schedule
- Owner will have 45 days to respond to the notice



Notice of Non-Compliance

- If no Owner response or schedule not met, POC sends Notice of Non-compliance to Owner with date of next MGA Board meeting and detailed instructions of filing an appeal
- If Owner wants to appeal to Board, submit within 14 days of MGA Board meeting:
  - Why Policy should not apply, *or*
  - Provide a plan for compliance



MGA Hearing

- Consider any appeal submitted by Owner
- Consider authorization to transmit Notice of Non-compliance

# Discussion

## Non-*De Minimis* Groundwater Well Registration and Metering Policy

Well Registration

Well Metering

Use Reporting

Compliance Review and Appeal

Enforcement