

Groundwater Management Districts; SB 194

SB 194 permits groundwater management district (GMD) boards to increase the maximum water withdrawal charge from \$1.00 for each acre-foot to \$2.00 for each acre-foot. This charge will continue to be used to finance the operations of the GMD.

In addition, the bill eliminates authority for the boards of GMDs to assess a greater annual water withdrawal charge if more than 50.0 percent of the authorized place of use of the water is outside the district. (This provision had been subject to the maximum charge for groundwater withdrawal.)