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The District Manager suggested and authored a "white paper" for GMA 12 to educate legislators and the public about the cooperative DFC planning effort and how we achieve aquifer-wide groundwater management. A draft of the paper was presented at the November 15, 2019 GMA 12 meeting. Comments and suggested revisions were invited from GMA 12 members and the public. No suggested revisions or comments were received by the December 15, 2019 deadline. Adoption of the "white paper" will be an agenda item for the January 29, 2020 GMA 12 meeting. The final draft of the paper is contained in the file browser folder.

Senate Interim Charges have been published. Joint Charge for Natural Resources and Economic Development Committee and Water and Rural Affairs Committee affecting groundwater is:

Groundwater Regulatory Framework: Study the state's groundwater regulatory framework and make recommendations to improve groundwater regulation, management, and permitting.

Speaker Bonnen recently released the House Interim Charges. The charges related to the House Natural Resources Committee are in a separate folder within the File Browser for your review.