

## Second Statewide Agricultural Expert Panel

### Document Log

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The following is a comprehensive list of documents provided to the Second Statewide Agricultural Expert Panel (Panel). Materials include, but are not limited to, background regulatory information, program data, Regional Water Board data analyses, information requested by the public, and working group meeting documents. Draft recommendations are intended as working documents that do not represent the final opinion of the Panel and will be replaced with newer versions as applicable. Opinions expressed by the Panel do not necessarily represent the opinion of the State Water Resources Control Board and the Regional Water Quality Control Boards. This log will be updated as new materials are added. Materials without a listed public access link can be accessed via the FTP site listed below, which will be updated frequently. If you have issues accessing the documents, please email [DWQ-ILRP@Waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:DWQ-ILRP@Waterboards.ca.gov). Some documents are protected by copyright from scientific journals and will only be provided for in-person viewing at the CalEPA Headquarters Building located at 1001 I St., Sacramento, CA 95814.

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<b>Conclusions of the Agricultural Expert Panel (2014)</b>	First Agricultural Expert Panel recommendations	<a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/agriculture/docs/ILRP_expert_panel_final_report.pdf">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/agriculture/docs/ILRP_expert_panel_final_report.pdf</a>

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<b>CDFA California Crop Fertilization Guidelines</b>	California Department of Food and Agriculture's California Crop Fertilization Guidelines	<a href="https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/is/ffldrs/frep/FertilizationGuidelines/">https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/is/ffldrs/frep/FertilizationGuidelines/</a>
<b>ESJ Water Quality Order (Order No. WQ-2018-0002)</b>	In the Matter of Review of Waste Discharge Requirements General Order No. R5-2012-0116 for Growers Within the Eastern San Joaquin River Watershed that are Members of the Third-Party Group	<a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_decisions/adopted_orders/water_quality/2018/wqo2018_0002_with_data_fig1_2_appendix_a.pdf">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_decisions/adopted_orders/water_quality/2018/wqo2018_0002_with_data_fig1_2_appendix_a.pdf</a>
<b>Central Coast Water Quality Order (Order No. WQ-2023-0081)</b>	In the Matter of Review of General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Irrigated Lands Order No. R3-2021-0040	<a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public_notices/petitions/water_quality/docs/2023/wqo2023-0081.pdf">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public_notices/petitions/water_quality/docs/2023/wqo2023-0081.pdf</a>
<b>Region 3 Agricultural Order 4.0</b>	General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Irrigated Lands Order No. R3-2021-0040	<a href="https://waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/regulatory_information.html">https://waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/regulatory_information.html</a>
<b>Region 3 Agricultural Order 4.0 - Attachment A: Findings</b>	General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Irrigated Lands Order No. R3-2021-0040	<a href="https://waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/ag_order4/2021/ao4_att_a.pdf">https://waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/ag_order4/2021/ao4_att_a.pdf</a>
<b>Region 3 Agricultural Order 4.0 - Attachment B: Monitoring and Reporting Program</b>	General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Irrigated Lands Order No. R3-2021-0040	<a href="https://waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/ag_order4/2021/ao4_att_b.pdf">https://waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/ag_order4/2021/ao4_att_b.pdf</a>
<b>Region 3 Agricultural Order 4.0 - Attachment C: Acronyms, Abbreviations, and Definitions</b>	General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Irrigated Lands Order No. R3-2021-0040	<a href="https://waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/ag_order4/2021/ao4_att_c.pdf">https://waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/ag_order4/2021/ao4_att_c.pdf</a>
<b>Region 3 ILP Webpage on TNA and INMP Reporting</b>	Hosts guides, instructions and tools in multiple languages to assist growers and consultants with reporting	<a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/tna_inmp.html">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/tna_inmp.html</a>

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<b>Region 3 TNA Data</b>	Data exported from GeoTracker on August 21, 2025. Eleven (11) years of grower reported data.	Access via FTP site
<b>Region 3 TNA Data Dictionary</b>	Data dictionary for exported TNA data	Access via FTP site
<b>Region 3 TNA Reporting Instructions</b>	Provides guidance on the information necessary to submit the TNA Report and instructions on how to report in GeoTracker	<a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/tna/tna_instructions.pdf">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/tna/tna_instructions.pdf</a>
<b>Region 3 INMP Data</b>	Data exported from GeoTracker on August 21, 2025. Two (2) years of grower reported data.	Access via FTP site
<b>Region 3 INMP Data Dictionary</b>	Data dictionary for exported INMP data	Access via FTP site
<b>Region 3 INMP Reporting Instructions</b>	Provides guidance on the information necessary to submit the INMP Summary Report and instructions on how to report in GeoTracker	<a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/tna/inmp-instructions.pdf">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/tna/inmp-instructions.pdf</a>
<b>Region 3 Well Monitoring Data</b>	Data exported from GeoTracker on August 21, 2025. Eleven (11) years of grower reported data.	Access via FTP site
<b>Region 3 Well Monitoring Reporting and Guidance</b>	Provides guidance on the information necessary to complete and submit well monitoring and reporting in GeoTracker.	<a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/groundwater_quality_monitoring_and_reporting.html">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/groundwater_quality_monitoring_and_reporting.html</a>

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<b>Region 3 ACF Reporting Instructions</b>	Provides guidance on the information necessary to submit the ACF Report and instructions on how to report in GeoTracker	<a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/resources/4growers/acf_instructions.pdf">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/resources/4growers/acf_instructions.pdf</a>
<b>Region 3 eNOI Instructions</b>	Provides guidance on the information necessary to submit the electronic Notice of Intent (enrollment information) and instructions on how to report in GeoTracker	<a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/enoi_instructions.pdf">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/enoi_instructions.pdf</a>
<b>Region 3 Crop Nitrogen Removal conversion coefficient standard protocols</b>	Standard protocols developed in coordination with Michael Cahn and Richard Smith that must be followed for a grower to develop a crop conversion coefficient	<a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/tna/n_rmvl_cffcnt_ptcls.pdf">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/tna/n_rmvl_cffcnt_ptcls.pdf</a>
<b>Region 3 INMP Exemptions Technical Report Approval Process</b>	There are three (3) exemptions outlined in the Agricultural Order that can exempt growers from having to report certain information in sections of the Irrigation and Nutrient Management Plan (INMP) Summary Report. This guidance document specifies the minimum required information that must be included in a technical report and the approval process.	<a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/2023/nmp-reporting-exemptions.pdf">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/2023/nmp-reporting-exemptions.pdf</a>
<b>Region 3 TNA and INMP Summary Report</b>	Central Coast Water Board Technical Report on Total Nitrogen Applied (TNA) and Irrigation and Nutrient Management Plan (INMP) Summary Report Data	<a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/r3-ar-technical-report.pdf">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/docs/r3-ar-technical-report.pdf</a>
<b>Region 3 Irrigated Lands Program Dashboard</b>	Irrigated Lands Program - Dashboard for Grower Reporting & Water Quality	<a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/dashboard.html">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/ilp/dashboard.html</a>

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<b>Crop Improvement and Protection Research: Cover Crops Nitrogen Scavenging Credits</b>	Cover Crop Research by Dr. Eric B. Brennan	<a href="https://www.ars.usda.gov/pacific-west-area/salinas-ca/crop-improvement-and-protection-research/people/eric-b-brennan/ag-order-40-regulation-resources-and-research/">https://www.ars.usda.gov/pacific-west-area/salinas-ca/crop-improvement-and-protection-research/people/eric-b-brennan/ag-order-40-regulation-resources-and-research/</a>
<b>Region 5 INMP Data</b>	several files: INMP data for 13 coalitions over 4 reporting years	Access via FTP site
<b>Region 7 INMP Data</b>	several files: INMP data over 2 reporting years	Access via FTP site
<b>Region 8 INMP Data</b>	several files: INMP data over 1 reporting year	Access via FTP site
<b>2024 Staff Data Report</b>	Analysis of Available Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program (ILRP) Nitrogen Data	<a href="https://waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/agriculture/docs/ilrpdatareport.pdf">https://waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/agriculture/docs/ilrpdatareport.pdf</a>
<b>Betteravia Farms Trial</b>	Presentation slides submitted by public comment	Access via FTP site
<b>Comprehensive Isotopic Analyses of Sources, Flow Paths, and Geochemical Processes Affecting Nitrate in Central Coast Groundwater (by Lawrence Livermore Nat'l Lab)</b>	Flow and paths of geochemical processes affecting nitrate in Central Coast groundwater	<a href="https://water.llnl.gov/sites/water/files/2021-02/CCWB_LLNL_report_final_0.pdf">https://water.llnl.gov/sites/water/files/2021-02/CCWB_LLNL_report_final_0.pdf</a>

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<b>Technical Report 2: Nitrogen Sources and Loading to Groundwater (of the UC Davis/UC ANR Nitrate Report)</b>	Technical Report covering nitrogen sources to groundwater with a focus on Tulare Lake Basin and Salinas Valley groundwater; report to the Water Board and the Legislature	<a href="https://ucanr.edu/sites/groundwaternitrate/files/139110.pdf">https://ucanr.edu/sites/groundwaternitrate/files/139110.pdf</a>
<b>Nitrogen Crop Coefficients (Geisseler 2016)</b>	A literature overview of nitrogen concentrations in harvested plants	<a href="http://geisseler.ucdavis.edu/Geisseler_Report_2016_12_02.pdf">http://geisseler.ucdavis.edu/Geisseler_Report_2016_12_02.pdf</a>
<b>Technical Memorandum - Nitrate in GW in Palo Verde Outfall Coalition Region (by MLJ Consulting)</b>	Prepared by MLJ Consulting on behalf of the Palo Verde Outfall Coalition in Region 7	Access via FTP site
<b>Improving Nitrogen Use Efficiency in Lettuce Production (by Smith and Cahn; UCCE and UC Davis)</b>	A paper discussing how to improve nitrogen efficiency for lettuce farming operations	<a href="https://calasa.ucdavis.edu/files/73479.pdf#page=44">https://calasa.ucdavis.edu/files/73479.pdf#page=44</a>
<b>Evaluation of N Uptake and Water Use of Leafy Greens Grown in High-Density 80-inch Bed Plantings and Demonstration of Best Management Practices (by Smith, Cahn, and Hartz; FREP)</b>	Provides basic agronomic evaluations of vegetables crops grown on high-density, 80-inch-wide beds	<a href="https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/is/ffldrs/frep/pdfs/completedprojects/12-0362-SA_Smith.pdf">https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/is/ffldrs/frep/pdfs/completedprojects/12-0362-SA_Smith.pdf</a>
<b>Nutrient and Water Use of Fresh Market Spinach (by Smith, Cahn, and Hartz; UCCE and UC Davis)</b>	Presentation slides covering nutrient and water use of fresh market spinach	<a href="https://bpb-us-e1.wpmucdn.com/wordpressua.uark.edu/dist/0/310/files/2017/06/Nutrient-and-water-use-of-fresh-market-spinach-Richard-Smith.pdf">https://bpb-us-e1.wpmucdn.com/wordpressua.uark.edu/dist/0/310/files/2017/06/Nutrient-and-water-use-of-fresh-market-spinach-Richard-Smith.pdf</a>

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<b>Addressing Nitrate in California's Drinking Water (UC Davis/UC ANR Nitrate Report)</b>	Report covering nitrogen sources to groundwater with a focus on Tulare Lake Basin and Salinas Valley groundwater; report to the Water Board and the Legislature	<a href="https://ucanr.edu/sites/default/files/2012-03/138956.pdf">https://ucanr.edu/sites/default/files/2012-03/138956.pdf</a>
<b>Relation of nitrate contamination of groundwater with methaemoglobin level among infants in Gaza (by Naser, Khoudary)</b>	A cross-sectional and analytical study to determine the factors associated with high levels of methaemoglobin in infants	<a href="https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/18290391/">https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/18290391/</a>
<b>Case Studies in Environmental Medicine Nitrate/Nitrite Toxicity (by ATSDR, US DHHS)</b>	An educational case study document in a series of self-instructional modules designed to increase the primary care provider's knowledge of hazardous substances in the environment	<a href="https://archive.cdc.gov/www_atsdr_cdc_gov/csem/nitrate_2013/docs/nitrite.pdf">https://archive.cdc.gov/www_atsdr_cdc_gov/csem/nitrate_2013/docs/nitrite.pdf</a>
<b>Social Disparities in Nitrate-Contaminated Drinking Water in California's San Joaquin Valley (by Balazs, Morello-Frosch, Hubbard, Ray)</b>	Study examining the disproportionate exposure of nitrate faced in the San Joaquin Valley	<a href="https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC3230390/pdf/ehp.1002878.pdf">https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC3230390/pdf/ehp.1002878.pdf</a>
<b>Cover Cropping in the SGMA Era</b>	A comprehensive overview of water impacts, policy implications, and recommendations for California's water managers	<a href="https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/efasap/docs/2024/Sustainable_Conservation-Cover-Crop-SGMA-Report.pdf">https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/oefi/efasap/docs/2024/Sustainable_Conservation-Cover-Crop-SGMA-Report.pdf</a>
<b>Predicting cereal cover crop biomass using shoot length in California vegetable systems (by Brennan and Smith)</b>	A study discussing correlation between cereal cover crop main shoot length and shoot biomass	<a href="https://acsess.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1002/ael2.20099">https://acsess.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1002/ael2.20099</a>



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<b>Land-use change and costs to rural households: a case study in groundwater nitrate contamination (by Keeler and Polasky)</b>	A case study in groundwater nitrate contamination	<a href="https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/1748-9326/9/7/074002/pdf">https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/1748-9326/9/7/074002/pdf</a>
<b>Eight Blue Babies (by Knobeloch)</b>	A study about Infant Methemoglobinemia (Blue Baby Syndrome), which is a condition that occurs when the hemoglobin is found in infants blood cells	<a href="https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Lynda-Knobeloch/publication/10814458_Eight_blue_babies/links/02bfe510736ecce3b8000000/Eight-blue-babies.pdf">https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Lynda-Knobeloch/publication/10814458_Eight_blue_babies/links/02bfe510736ecce3b8000000/Eight-blue-babies.pdf</a>
<b>Blue Babies and Nitrate-Contaminated Well Water (by Knobeloch, et. al)</b>	A study about Infant Methemoglobinemia (Blue Baby Syndrome), which is a condition that occurs when the hemoglobin is found in infants blood cells	<a href="https://ehp.niehs.nih.gov/doi/pdf/10.1289/ehp.00108675">https://ehp.niehs.nih.gov/doi/pdf/10.1289/ehp.00108675</a>
<b>The Human Costs of Nitrate-contaminated Drinking Water in the San Joaquin Valley (by Pacific Institute 2011)</b>	Community-based research process in 2009 documenting the economic, social, and potential health impacts of nitrate contamination of drinking water in the San Joaquin Valley	<a href="https://pacinst.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/nitrate_contamination1.pdf">https://pacinst.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/nitrate_contamination1.pdf</a>
<b>Nitrate and Nitrite in Drinking Water (by OEHHA)</b>	Provides information on health effects from nitrate and nitrite in California's drinking water	<a href="https://oehha.ca.gov/media/downloads/water/chemicals/phg/nitratephg051118.pdf">https://oehha.ca.gov/media/downloads/water/chemicals/phg/nitratephg051118.pdf</a>
<b>Environmental justice and drinking water quality: are there socioeconomic disparities in nitrate levels in U.S. drinking water?</b>	A study identifying determinants of nitrate concentrations in U.S. community water systems and evaluating disparities related to wealth or race/ethnicity	<a href="https://link.springer.com/article/10.1186/s12940-018-0442-6">https://link.springer.com/article/10.1186/s12940-018-0442-6</a>



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<b>Exposure-based assessment and economic valuation of adverse birth outcomes and cancer risk due to nitrate in United States drinking water (by Temkin, et. al)</b>	Meta-analysis of eight studies assessing nitrate in drinking water	<a href="https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S001393511930218X">https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S001393511930218X</a>
<b>NRCS Conservation Practice Standard Nutrient Management Code 590 (2020)</b>	Natural Resources Conservation Service's Conservation Practice Standard for nutrient management	<a href="https://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/api/CPSFile/27020/590_CA_CPS_Nutrient_Management_2020">https://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/api/CPSFile/27020/590_CA_CPS_Nutrient_Management_2020</a>
<b>Nitrates and Nitrites (by US EPA)</b>	A chemical summary of nitrates and nitrites	<a href="https://archive.epa.gov/region5/teach/web/pdf/nitrates_summary.pdf">https://archive.epa.gov/region5/teach/web/pdf/nitrates_summary.pdf</a>
<b>Nitrates in Municipal Water Supply Cause Methemoglobinemia in Infant (by Vigil, et. al)</b>	An article from 1965 on an infant ingesting water containing high levels of nitrate	<a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC1919725/pdf/pubhealthreporig00060-0089.pdf">https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC1919725/pdf/pubhealthreporig00060-0089.pdf</a>
<b>Survey of Literature Relating to Infant Methemoglobinemia Due to Nitrate-Contaminated Water (by Walton)</b>	Two cases of infant methemoglobinemia recorded in 1945	<a href="https://ajph.aphapublications.org/doi/pdf/10.2105/AJPH.41.8_Pt_1.986">https://ajph.aphapublications.org/doi/pdf/10.2105/AJPH.41.8_Pt_1.986</a>
<b>Nitrate and nitrite in Drinking-water (by World Health Organization)</b>	A background document for development of World Health Organization guidelines for drinking water quality	<a href="https://iris.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665/75380/WHO_SDE_WSH_04.03_56_eng.pdf">https://iris.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665/75380/WHO_SDE_WSH_04.03_56_eng.pdf</a>

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<b>Mustard Cover Crop Growth and Weed Suppression in Organic, Strawberry Furrows in California (Brennan, Smith)</b>	A study exploring the relationship between mustard cover crop growth and weed suppression in organic strawberry fields	<a href="https://journals.ashs.org/view/journals/hortsci/53/4/article-p432.xml">https://journals.ashs.org/view/journals/hortsci/53/4/article-p432.xml</a>
<b>Winter cover crops in a vegetable cropping system: Impacts on nitrate leaching, soil water, crop yield, pests and management costs (Wyland et al)</b>	Study investigating the effect of altering surface soil dynamics, using a winter cover crop rotation, on biotic and abiotic characteristics of the soil profile	<a href="https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S0167880996010481">https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S0167880996010481</a>
<b>Scientists, growers assess trade-offs in use of tillage, cover crops and compost (Jackson et al)</b>	A 2003 study evaluating tillage, cover crops, and compost usage for lettuce and broccoli in the Salinas Valley	<a href="https://escholarship.org/uc/item/8tv45119">https://escholarship.org/uc/item/8tv45119</a>
<b>In lettuce production, winter cover crops can decrease soil nitrate, leaching potential (Jackson et al)</b>	A 1993 study of on-field trials assessing the use of cover crops to decrease nitrate leaching potential	<a href="https://www.researchgate.net/publication/340425163_In_lettuce_production_winter_cover_crops_can_decrease_soil_nitrate_leaching_potential">https://www.researchgate.net/publication/340425163_In_lettuce_production_winter_cover_crops_can_decrease_soil_nitrate_leaching_potential</a>
<b>Winter cover crops to minimize nitrate losses in intensive lettuce production (Jackson et al)</b>	A 2-year study conducted in Salinas, California in 1989–91 that showed that soil nitrate concentrations were reduced by cover crops during a short winter fallow period	<a href="https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/journal-of-agricultural-science/article/abs/winter-cover-crops-to-minimize-nitrate-losses-in-intensive-lettuce-production/1B0B1F1710ADE80015AA93D50C3A168D#access-block">https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/journal-of-agricultural-science/article/abs/winter-cover-crops-to-minimize-nitrate-losses-in-intensive-lettuce-production/1B0B1F1710ADE80015AA93D50C3A168D#access-block</a>

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<b>Winter-killed Cereal Rye Cover Crop Influence on Nitrate Leaching in Intensive Vegetable Production Systems (Heinrich)</b>	Field studies evaluating cover cropping to reduce nitrate leaching	<a href="https://journals.ashs.org/view/journals/horttech/24/5/article-p502.xml">https://journals.ashs.org/view/journals/horttech/24/5/article-p502.xml</a>
<b>The Effect of Cover Crops and Fertilization with Ammonium Nitrate on Corky Root of Lettuce (Van Bruggen et al)</b>	A 1990 study exploring the effect of cover crops and fertilization on the corky root of lettuce	<a href="https://www.apsnet.org/publications/PlantDisease/BackIssues/Documents/1990Articles/PlantDisease74n08_584.PDF">https://www.apsnet.org/publications/PlantDisease/BackIssues/Documents/1990Articles/PlantDisease74n08_584.PDF</a>
<b>Comparison of Rye and Legume–Rye Cover Crop Mixtures for Vegetable Production in California (Brennan et al)</b>	A 2-year study on organic farms in Salinas and Hollister that evaluated cover crop population densities, ground cover, aboveground dry matter, and N content of rye and five legume–rye mixtures.	<a href="https://access.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.2134/agronj2010.0152">https://access.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.2134/agronj2010.0152</a>
<b>Winter Cover Crop Seeding Rate and Variety Affects during Eight Years of Organic Vegetables (Brennan, Boyd)</b>	Study examining seeding rate and nitrogen accumulation of rye, legume–rye, and mustard in Salinas	<a href="https://access.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.2134/agronj2011.0331">https://access.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.2134/agronj2011.0331</a>
<b>Biochar, soil and land-use interactions that reduce nitrate leaching and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions: A meta-analysis</b>	A meta-analysis to assess interactions between biochar-induced effects on N <sub>2</sub> O emissions and NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> retention	<a href="https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S0048969718339330?via%3Dihub">https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S0048969718339330?via%3Dihub</a>
<b>Crop-Specific Multi-Year Acceptable Ranges of Applied Nitrogen Relative to Nitrogen Removed</b>	A draft proposal from Central Valley Coalitions for acceptable ranges for nitrogen applied and nitrogen removed calculations	<a href="https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/CAWRCB/2025/01/21/file_attachments/3139025/20241007_ARAcceptableRanges_Report.pdf">https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/CAWRCB/2025/01/21/file_attachments/3139025/20241007_ARAcceptableRanges_Report.pdf</a>

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<b>Recognition and Support of Indigenous California Land Stewards, Practitioners of Kincentric Ecology</b>	Written to advance the rights and opportunities of the stewards of biocultural diversity and sustainable land management practices	<a href="https://www.firstnations.org/publications/recognition-and-support-of-indigenous-california-land-stewards-practitioners-of-kincentric-ecology/">https://www.firstnations.org/publications/recognition-and-support-of-indigenous-california-land-stewards-practitioners-of-kincentric-ecology/</a>
<b>Soil biota enhance agricultural sustainability by improving crop yield, nutrient uptake and reducing nitrogen leaching losses (Bender, van der Heijden)</b>	An investigation of soil biota on nutrient leaching plant performance	<a href="https://besjournals.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.1111/1365-2664.12351">https://besjournals.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.1111/1365-2664.12351</a>
<b>Nutrient Uptake of Brussels Sprout (by Smith, UC ANR)</b>	Could not be found, link broken - 'Page Not Found'	<a href="https://ucanr.edu/blogs/blogcore/postdetail.cfm?postnum=16850">https://ucanr.edu/blogs/blogcore/postdetail.cfm?postnum=16850</a>
<b>Wine Institute Comments 8.7.25</b>	Submitted by the Wine Institute and referenced at the August 8th Kick-Off Plenary Meeting	Access via FTP site
<b>NGO Coalition - Scientific Literature Review for Questions Posed to the Upcoming Second Statewide Agricultural Expert Panel</b>	Submitted by a Non-Governmental Organization Coalition and referenced at the August 14th Kick-Off Plenary Meeting	Access via FTP site
<b>Literature Review of Questions Assigned to the Expert Advisory Panel 2025, Prepared by Daniel Rath, Ph.D.</b>	Submitted by Dr. Rath and referenced at the August 14th Kick-Off Plenary Meeting	Access via FTP site

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<b>Public Comment Letters on Draft Questions</b>	Public comments received for the draft panel questions and call for suggested panel expertise/data	Access via FTP site
<b>Presentations from 8.8.25 Plenary Meeting</b>	Presentation slides from the August 8th Kick-Off Plenary Meeting	Access via FTP site
<b>Presentations from 8.14.25 Plenary Meeting</b>	Presentation slides from the August 14th Kick-Off Plenary Meeting	Access via FTP site
<b>NRDC 7.11.25 Letter to Water Board Requesting Additional Coalition Analysis</b>	Comment letter submitted by the Natural Resources Defense Council	Access via FTP site
<b>NRDC 5.20.25 Comments on Data Analysis Prepared for the Second AEP</b>	Comment letter submitted by the Natural Resources Defense Council	Access via FTP site
<b>Nitrogen Management in Nursery Production by Bruno J.L. Pitton</b>	Presentation slides given at the California Nursery Conference on September 10th, 2025, and referenced at the October 1st Listening Session	Access via FTP site
<b>ELF et. al. 9.29.25 Letter to Water Board Requesting Additional Central Valley Data</b>	Comment letter submitted by the Environmental Law Foundation (ELF) and others	Access via FTP site
<b>Draft ESJ Water Quality Order (Order No. WQ-2018-XXXX) Change Sheet #3</b>	The Draft Eastern San Joaquin Water Quality Order, see pg. 41 for the alternate reporting requirements for small/diversified farms	<a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public_notices/petitions/water_quality/docs/a2239/change_sheet03.pdf">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public_notices/petitions/water_quality/docs/a2239/change_sheet03.pdf</a>

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<b>Public Comment on Draft ESJ Water Quality Order (Ruth Dahlquist-Willard and Aparna Gazula)</b>	Submitted comment letter by Ruth Dahlquist-Willard and Aparna Gazula on the Draft ESJ Water Quality Order discussing the reporting challenges for small/diversified farms	Access via FTP site
<b>Alternative Nitrogen Reporting Requirements for Small, Highly Diversified Growers within the KRWCA</b>	The plan for the alternative reporting for small, highly diversified growers developed by Kings River Watershed Coalition Authority	Access via FTP site
<b>Alternative INMP Worksheet for Kings River Water Quality Coalition</b>	Worksheet for the alternative Irrigation and Nitrogen Management Plan (INMP) reporting developed by KRWQC and UCCE Fresno County	Access via FTP site
<b>Central Valley Water Board Memos Approving KRWCA Alternative Nitrogen Reporting Requirements</b>	Two memos from the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board approving the Kings River Watershed Coalition Authority's alternative reporting for small, highly diversified growers within KRWCA, dated February 17th, 2023	Access via FTP site
<b>Request from Panelist Ngodoo Atume for acreage data</b>	Email from Panelist Ngodoo Atume requesting access to program acreage data	Access via FTP site
<b>Presentations from 10.1.25 Listening Session</b>	Presentation slides from the October 1st Listening Session	Access via FTP site
<b>Provost &amp; Pritchard Ag Expert Panel Comment Letter 10.9.25</b>	Comment letter submitted by Provost & Pritchard	Access via FTP site

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<b>Summary of 10.13.25 Working Group Session</b>	Summary of discussion held during the October 13th Working Group Session, prepared by State Board staff	Access via FTP site
<b>General Response to Comments on Draft Questions</b>	Staff general response to public comments received for the draft panel questions and call for suggested panel expertise/data, released with finalized questions on October 24, 2024	<a href="https://waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/agriculture/docs/generalresponses.pdf">https://waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/agriculture/docs/generalresponses.pdf</a>
<b>Summary of 10.22.25 Working Group Session</b>	Summary of discussion held during the October 22nd Working Group Session	<a href="#">Access via FTP site</a>
<b>1998-2018 Ambient Water Quality Report and Accompanying Nitrate Maps</b>	Multiple files from the 1998-2018 Ambient Water Quality Report prepared for the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority Basin Monitoring Program Task Force (submitted by Region 8 staff at the request of panelists asking for groundwater nitrate data)	Access via FTP site
<b>2023 Annual Monitoring Report for Agricultural Operations in Region 8</b>	2023 ILRP Annual Monitoring Report submitted by the Eastern Municipal Water District (submitted by Region 8 staff at the request of panelists asking for groundwater nitrate data)	Access via FTP site
<b>Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority (SAWPA) GIS resources and maps</b>	Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority GIS resources and maps (submitted by Region 8 staff at the request of panelists asking for groundwater nitrate data)	<a href="https://sawpa.gov/gis-tools/">https://sawpa.gov/gis-tools/</a>



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<b>Nitrate Nitrogen SAWPA Map (1996-2015)</b>	Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority Nitrate Nitrogen Map of 1996-2015 (submitted by Region 8 staff at the request of panelists asking for groundwater nitrate data)	<a href="https://sawpa.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/17_2882_NO3_1990-2015.jpg">https://sawpa.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/17_2882_NO3_1990-2015.jpg</a>
<b>Memo with Region 4 Nitrate Maps and the 2022 Annual Monitoring Report</b>	Groundwater nitrate concentration trend maps and the 2022 Annual Monitoring Report prepared by the Ventura County Agricultural Irrigated Lands Group (submitted by Region 4 staff at the request of panelists asking for groundwater nitrate data)	<a href="#">Access via FTP site</a>
<b>Presentations from 10.31.25 Plenary Meeting</b>	Presentation slides from the October 31st Plenary Meeting	Access via FTP site
<b>Technical Report 2: Nitrogen Source Reduction to Protect Groundwater Quality (of the UC Davis/UC ANR Nitrate Report)</b>	Technical Report covering nitrogen source reduction with a focus on Tulare Lake Basin and Salinas Valley groundwater; report to the Water Board and the Legislature; Submitted by Chair Geisseler for review of Section 3	<a href="https://ucanr.edu/sites/default/files/2012-08/139103.pdf">https://ucanr.edu/sites/default/files/2012-08/139103.pdf</a>
<b>Nitrogen Fertilizer Loading to Groundwater in the Central Valley, FREP Projects 11-0301 and 15-0454</b>	Submitted by Chair Geisseler, for review of Tasks 7, 8, and 11.6	<a href="https://ucanr.edu/sites/default/files/2025-04/FREP%2011-0301%202016%20Final%20Report%202017-10-30.pdf">https://ucanr.edu/sites/default/files/2025-04/FREP%2011-0301%202016%20Final%20Report%202017-10-30.pdf</a>
<b>Summary of 10.31.25 Plenary Meeting</b>	Summary of discussion held during the October 31st Plenary Meeting	<a href="#">Access via FTP site</a>

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<b>Region 5 Outlier Method Memo</b>	Memo dated April 12, 2019, for outlier methodology in Region 5; submitted by Region 5 staff for clarification on outlier methods in the Central Valley	Access via FTP site
<b>Summary of 11.14.25 Working Group Session</b>	Summary of discussion held during the November 14th Working Group Session	Access via FTP site
<b>Summary of 11.19.25 Working Group Session</b>	Summary of discussion held during the November 19th Working Group Session	Access via FTP site
<b>Proposed Alternate Report Outline</b>	Alternative Report outline proposed by panelist Thomas Harter on December 5th	Access via FTP site
<b>Summary of 12.5.25 Working Group Session</b>	Summary of discussion held during the December 5th Working Group Session	Access via FTP site
<b>Power BI_APN ID Table</b>	Flat flies INMP Summary Report data sorted by anonymous APN ID used in the Data Visualization Tool	<a href="https://waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/agriculture/docs/apn-id-table.xlsx">https://waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/agriculture/docs/apn-id-table.xlsx</a>
<b>Power BI_Township Range Table</b>	Flat flies INMP Summary Report data aggregated by Township Range used in the Data Visualization Tool	<a href="https://waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/agriculture/docs/township-range-table.xlsx">https://waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/agriculture/docs/township-range-table.xlsx</a>
<b>Power BI_Member ID Table</b>	Flat flies INMP Summary Report data sorted by anonymous Member ID used in the Data Visualization Tool	<a href="https://waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/agriculture/docs/member-id-table.xlsx">https://waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/agriculture/docs/member-id-table.xlsx</a>
<b>Comments on Proposed Alternate Report Outline_Montazar</b>	Comments on the proposed alternative Report outline, submitted by panelist Ali Montazar on December 8th	<a href="#">Access via FTP site</a>

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<b>Comments on Proposed Alternate Report Outline_Geisseler</b>	Comments on the proposed alternative Report outline, submitted by Chair Daniel Geisseler on December 10th	Access via FTP site
<b>Exemptions Comments_Montazar</b>	Comments by panelist Ali Montazar regarding exemptions to ILRP regulations	Access via FTP site
<b>Irrigation and Nitrogen Management Training for Grower Self-Certification Workbook</b>	Submitted by Ken Miller during the December 12th Working Group Meeting	<a href="https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/is/ffldrs/frep/pdfs/training/inmtp_workbook.pdf">https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/is/ffldrs/frep/pdfs/training/inmtp_workbook.pdf</a>
<b>Region 3 Fact Sheet: Persistent Groundwater Nitrate Pollution Linked to Ongoing Agricultural Activities in the Central Coast Region</b>	Fact sheet developed by the Central Coast Water Board summarizing recent data and analyses that demonstrate how ongoing agricultural practices continue to impact groundwater quality, with nitrate pollution remaining a persistent and worsening problem	Access via FTP site
<b>Toward the Human Right to Water for Vulnerable Communities: The Effectiveness of Stakeholder Processes to Control Regional Shallow Groundwater Contamination by Nitrates</b>	Water Resources Research article written by Stewart et. al., discussed during the December 17th Public Listening Session	<a href="https://agupubs.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1029/2025WR040896">https://agupubs.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1029/2025WR040896</a>

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<b>Title VI Complaint and Petition for Rulemaking for Promulgation Central Coast Region Water Quality Standards</b>	California Rural Legal Assistance (CRLA) Title VI Complaint to the US EPA, discussed during the December 17th Public Listening Session	<a href="https://crla.org/sites/default/files/2024-03/3.18.24_CRLA-Title-VI-Complaint-Central%20Coast.pdf">https://crla.org/sites/default/files/2024-03/3.18.24_CRLA-Title-VI-Complaint-Central%20Coast.pdf</a>
<b>Summary of 12.12.25 Working Group Session</b>	Summary of discussion held during the December 12th Working Group Session	Access via FTP
<b>George Adam Comments 12.17.25</b>	Public comment letter provided by George Adam during the December 17th Working Group Meeting	Access via FTP
<b>Alfalfa's Regional Value in the Low Desert Field Data Document Unmatched Nitrogen Removal with Minimal Inputs</b>	Draft study completed by panelist Ali Montazar and submitted to the panel for review as they address the panel charge questions	Access via FTP
<b>Draft Final Expert Panel Recommendations Report_v5</b>	Draft Report of the Final Expert Panel Recommendations (version 5), updated by chair Daniel Geisseler and distributed back to panelists on January 26th	Access via FTP
<b>Presentations from 1.7.26 Working Group Session</b>	Presentation slides from the January 7th Working Group Session	Access via FTP

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<b>A(IRR) Panel Presentation_Cahn</b>	Presentation on nitrogen application via irrigation provided by panelist Michael Cahn	Access via FTP
<b>Kaweah Subbasin Technology and Sustainability Graphics_Wilcox Comment</b>	Submitted by David Wilcox following the Working Group Session on January 7th	Access via FTP
<b>Restoring Planetary Boundaries through Crop System Replacement_Wilcox Comment</b>	Submitted by David Wilcox following the Working Group Session on January 7th	Access via FTP
<b>Grimm Organic Center Comment Letter 12.17.25</b>	Public comment letter provided by Grimm Family Center for Organic Production and Research on December 17th	Access via FTP
<b>Summary of 1.7.26 Working Group Session</b>	Summary of discussion held during the January 7th Working Group Session	Access via FTP
<b>Summary of 1.14.26 Working Group Session</b>	Summary of discussion held during the January 14th Working Group Session	Access via FTP

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<b>VCAILG Comment Letter 1.16.26</b>	Public comment letter provided by the Ventura County Agricultural Irrigated Lands Group (VCAILG) on January 16th	Access via FTP
<b>VCAILG Groundwater Quality Trends Monitoring Report 2025</b>	Attachment to public comment letter provided by the Ventura County Agricultural Irrigated Lands Group (VCAILG) on January 16th	Access via FTP
<b>VCAILG 2022 Groundwater Management Practice Evaluation Report</b>	Attachment to public comment letter provided by the Ventura County Agricultural Irrigated Lands Group (VCAILG) on January 16th	Access via FTP
<b>Summary of 1.21.26 Working Group Session</b>	Summary of discussion held during the January 21st Working Group Session	Access via FTP
<b>Draft Final Expert Panel Recommendations Report_v6</b>	Compiled comments from panelist Richard Smith, Thomas Harter, Ngodoo Atume, and Hannah Waterhouse on the Draft Final Expert Panel Recommendations Report (version 5) sent to panelists on January 29th	Access via FTP