

## Community Commitment for Groundwater

Groundwater in the Pajaro Valley is being used at a rate which has led to our basin being in a state of overdraft. Climate change, including drought, only exacerbates the problem. Together we can become the first high-priority basin in California to assure a dependable supply of groundwater to residents and agriculture. As a community, we are making a commitment to protect the Pajaro Valley as an important agricultural resource, enhance our local economy and conserve our natural resources. A Basin Management Plan was developed by the Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency and meeting the objectives defined in the Plan is a critical step towards achieving our groundwater goals by the year 2025. Broad-based community representation and involvement will need to continue in order to achieve the goal of conserving 5000 acre feet, as outlined in the Plan, and to ensure that we are pursuing diverse strategies to bring our aquifer into balance. We recognize that reaching our goals will take shared sacrifice and a shared commitment.

### **Join the Community Water Dialogue in our Community Commitment for Groundwater**

*What the Pajaro Valley Community Commitment for Groundwater Means:*

*I/my business/my farm/my interest group:*

- *recognize that water conservation will help our community remain viable.*
- *will create specific water conservation goals and take action to meet those goals.*
- *will participate in the Community Water Dialogue by sharing these conservation goals, water conservation strategies and success stories.*
- *will engage others to join the Community Commitment for Groundwater.*

**Together, we will bring our aquifer into balance.**

To sign on to the Community Commitment for Groundwater contact  
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