

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: MARIO IGLESIAS
GENERAL MANAGER

DATE: SEPTEMBER 23, 2016

AGENDA ITEM

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SEPTEMBER 28, 2016

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

ITEM

Standing report to your Honorable Board -- *Period covered by this report is September 10, 2016 through September 23, 2016.*

DISTRICT BUSINESS

Administrative

The District encourages residents to provide reports of any observed water waste. Staff follows up each report with phone calls and written notice to customers when warranted.

Office Activities

	<u>Aug-16</u>	<u>Jul/Aug-16</u>
Reports of water waste followed up on	0	1
Leak Adjustments	3	4
Leak Adjustment Amount	\$1,356	\$1,906

Water Resources

1) Total Production Acre Feet (AF)	Year to date	
	Aug-16	July-Aug
Groundwater Production	124.5	259.2
Supplemental Water Imported	<u>72.2</u>	<u>140.9</u>
Total Production	<u>196.7</u>	<u>400.1</u>

In August 2016, NCSD imported 72.2 AF of water. For the two months, July and August, the District imported approximately 141 AF of supplemental water. NCSD is 8 AF over the minimum scheduled take of 133 AF. For Fiscal Year 2017, NCSD is obligated to take or pay for a minimum of 800 AF from the City of Santa Maria ("CSM"). To import this amount of water, NCSD must average 66.7 AF per month from CSM.

2) Production vs. State Reduction Target for 2016 (AF)

	Aug-16	Year-to-Date July-Aug
Total Production (Annual Running Average)	196.7	400.1
Total Production for 2013	<u>274.4</u>	<u>556.8</u>
Reduction	<u>-77.6</u>	<u>-156.7</u>
Percentage Reduction	28.3%	28.1%
State Reduction Mandate	28.0%	28.0%
Difference in Percent Reduction vs. Targeted Reduction	<u>0.3%</u>	<u>0.1%</u>

For August 2016, the community exceeded the month-to-month State-mandated reduction requirement by 0.3% and the cumulative State-mandated reduction requirement by 0.1%.

The District's State-mandated reduction goal is currently 28% month to month and cumulative based on a comparison of Calendar Year 2013 water demand. The State has allowed water purveyors to self-certify their level of water conservation based on a three year projection of available water. NCSD provided the State with the necessary application to comply with the self-certification program, concluding that 24% water conservation efforts were more in-line with the available water supply. The State has not processed the District application to date.

3) Production versus NMMA Reduction Target for the Period

	Aug-16	July-Aug
Total GW Production (Annual Running Average)	124.5	259.2
Average GW Production for 2009-2013	<u>284.7</u>	<u>575.9</u>
Reduction	<u>-160.2</u>	<u>-316.7</u>
GW Reduction Percentage	56.3%	55.0%
Target Reduction per NMMA	50.0%	50.0%
Difference in Percent Reduction vs. Targeted Reduction	<u>6.3%</u>	<u>5.0%</u>

Due to the Spring 2016 Key Wells Index results, NMMA public water purveyors (NCSD, Golden State WC, and Woodlands Mutual WC) are to reduce groundwater production by 50%. The District moved to Stage IV Shortage conditions starting July 2016.

4) NCSW GW Reduction
 (NCSW GW Well Production minus Purveyor Credit)

	Aug-16	July-Aug	Target
NCSW GW Well Production	124.5	259.2	
Purveyor Cust. Credit (33.3% of Import Water)	<u>24.1</u>	<u>47.0</u>	
NCSW Total Calculated GW Production	148.6	306.1	287.9
Average GW Production for 2009-2013	284.7	575.9	575.9
NCSW Percentage of GW Reduction	48%	47%	50%

The District’s purveyor customers, GSWC and WMWC, each claim 16.66% (cumulatively 33.33%) of the imported water NCSW brings onto the basin through the NSWP. Of the 800 AF planned to be imported from CSM, 266.6 acft will be credited to these two customers. This amount is then added to the District’s groundwater pumping total to reflect the groundwater pumped by these customers in-lieu of taking wet water from the District.

The District reduced groundwater pumping by 48% for the month of August. Cumulative groundwater pumping for the first two months of fiscal year 2017 was 47% – July’s reduction was 46%. The conservation objective of 50% groundwater reduction is anticipated to be reached by January 2017 as the addition of increased import water through the Supplemental Water Project will reduce the community’s groundwater dependency.

Rainfall Gauge

Rainfall Summary (Reported in inches)	Nipomo East (Dana Hills Reservoirs)	Nipomo South (Southland Plant)
August 2016 Total	0.00	0.00
July-2016 through August-2016 (Seasonal Total)	0.00	0.00
Average Year	18	16

The rainfall gauge readings are from San Luis Obispo County’s two rain gauges in the NCSW area.

Safety Program

- No accidents or incidents to report.

Public Outreach

- The following Public Outreach Program materials are attached:
 - A summary of recent outreach and education activities
 - District related outreach, advertising and news coverage
 - Press release log
 - Social media traffic summary and website statistics

Other Items and News of Interest

1. SLO County SGMA Initiative – September 14, 2016 Meeting [Attachment B]
2. CSWRCB – Comment Letter: Environmental Laboratory Accreditation [Attachment C]
3. SDRMA – Special Acknowledgement Award: Workers Compensation [Attachment D]

Supplemental Water Capacity Accounting

The District is not currently accepting applications for new water service. No change from the previous report.

Supplemental Water Available for Allocation	500 AFY
Supplemental Water Reserved (Will Serve Letter Issued)	-5.8 AFY
Subtotal Net Supplemental Water Available for Allocation	494.2 AFY
Supplemental Water Assigned (Intent-to-Serve Issued)	-206.3 AFY
Total Remaining Supplemental Water Available for Allocation	287.9 AFY

NOTE: 206.3 AFY of water reservations represents approximately \$3.2 million in potential Supplemental Water Capacity Charges.

Connection Report

Since changing over accounting systems connection figures continue to be approximate values and are not reported in this September report. Reconciled figures will be reported in the General Manager's Report when our team has confirmed system tracking functions are reliable and accurate.

Meetings (September 10 through September 23)

Meetings Attended (telephonically or in person):

- Sept 12, SLO County Water Resources
- Sept 13, Public Information Program Director
- Sept 14, Rotary
- Sept 14, Regular Board Meeting
- Sept 14, Asset Management – Sedaru
- Sept 15, ASCE Meeting
- Sept 15, NMMA Purveyor Manager's
- Sept 16, General Counsel Seitz
- Sept 16, Customer Meeting (Mr. Heal)

- *Sept 17, Creek Clean-up Day*
- *Sept 19, Board Officers*
- *Sept 20, Public Information Program Director*
- *Sept 20, Operations/Admin Coordination*
- *Sept 21, DWR Water Loss TAP – Pomona Session*
- *Sept 22, Martin Rauch – Customer Satisfaction Survey*
- *Sept 22, Collaborative Solutions – Organizational Assessment*
- *Sept 22, Management Team*
- *Sept 23, NMMA – Director Eby*
- *Aug 23, Monthly NMMA*

Meetings Scheduled (September 24 through September 30):

- *Sept 27, Public Information Program Director*
- *Sept 28, Rotary*
- *Sept 28, Regular Board Meeting*
- *Sept 29, Admin Monthly Staff Planning*
- *Sept 30, Collaborative Solutions – Organizational Assessment Full Team*
- *Sept 30, Management Team – File Retention*
- *Sept 30, General Counsel Seitz*

RECOMMENDATION

Staff seeks direction and input from your Honorable Board

ATTACHMENTS

- A. NCSO Outreach Summary
- B. SLO County SGMA Initiative
- C. CSWRCB – Comment Letter
- D. SDRMA – Special Acknowledgement Award

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ATTACHMENT A

**NCSO Outreach Summary
September 2016**

Date Started	Outreach	Description	Status	Date Completed
3/2/2016	Blacklake Outreach	Key messaging for Blacklake Master Plan/Assessment	In Draft	
8/8/2016	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	8/8/2016
8/15/2016	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	8/15/2016
7/18/2016	Education	Coordination with Science Discovery for conservation education in schools 2016-2017 school year	Complete	8/16/2016
8/12/2016	Annual Summary	Completion of annual summary for Public Information Program efforts	Complete	8/16/2016
8/15/2016	Manager's Column	Article for Manager's Column in Adobe Press, pub date 8/26	Complete	8/17/2016
8/16/2016	Press Release	Nipomo CSD Fall 2016 Election Decided!	Complete	8/18/2016
8/2/2016	District Newsletter	2016 3rd quarter newsletter for August distribution	Complete	8/22/2016
8/22/2016	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	8/22/2016
8/22/2016	District E-newsletter	August E-newsletter	Complete	8/22/2016
8/24/2016	Outreach Event	Registration for outreach booth at Octoberfest	Complete	8/24/2016
8/29/2016	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	8/29/2016
6/30/2016	Door Hangers	Updated customer service door hangers	Complete	9/2/2016
* 9/6/2016	Ad	Trash Company Fall Cleanup Week ad for 9/16 Adobe	Complete	9/6/2016
* 9/6/2016	Ad	Creek Cleanup ad for 9/9 Adobe	Complete	9/6/2016
9/6/2016	Chamber Newsletter	Conservation ad for Chamber of Commerce September newsletter	Complete	9/6/2016
8/5/2016	Social Media	Content posting	Complete	9/8/2016
8/5/2016	Website Updates	Home page; minutes; packets; newsletter, articles, community events; etc	Complete	9/8/2016

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8/8/2016	Branch Street Mainline Replacement	Outreach items for customers affected by upcoming mainline replacement	Complete	9/9/2016
* 9/12/2016	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	9/12/2016
* 9/13/2016	District E-newsletter	September E-newsletter	Complete	9/15/2016
* 9/15/2016	Notice	Blacklake Headworks Project Notice to Bid in Newspapers	Complete	9/15/2016
* 9/19/2016	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	9/19/2016
* 9/15/2016	Press Release	Board Authorizes Bidding for Blacklake Golf Resort Water Reclamation Facility Rehabilitation	Complete	9/20/2016
9/16/2016	Manager's Column	Article for Manager's Column in Adobe Press, pub date 9/30	Complete	9/21/2016
9/9/2016	Social Media	Content posting	Complete	9/22/2016
9/9/2016	Website Updates	Home page; minutes; packets; newsletter, articles, community events; etc	Complete	9/22/2016
* 9/21/2016	Press Release	District Awards Grant Funds for Solid Waste Removal to Nipomo Chamber of Commerce	Complete	9/22/2016
2/2/2016	Blacklake Outreach	Outreach plan for Blacklake Master Plan	In Progress	
6/29/2016	Customer Survey	Customer Satisfaction Survey	In Progress	
9/22/2016	Bill Stuffer	Bill Stuffer for Oct/Nov Bills announcing customer satisfaction survey	In Progress	

* Included in Packet

Commission continues hearing on 3-story hotel in Arroyo Grande

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 Not wanting to violate city policy, the Arroyo Grande Planning Commission opted to wait Tuesday to make any recommendations on a proposal to construct a three-story hotel and 4,000-square-foot restaurant at the corner of Cherry Avenue and Traffic Way in the Village of Arroyo Grande.

However, the five-member appointed body did listen to staff and consultant reports for the planned East Cherry Avenue Specific Plan, which also calls for a 58-home subdivision and 2-acre Japanese cultural center/gardens area, as well as public comment.

The commission also didn't take any action after hearing nearly three hours of reports and public testimony, most of which didn't support the proposal, and continued the hearing to its Sept. 20 meeting.

All legal requirements for Tuesday's hearing had been met, but a sign alerting the public of the spe-

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cial meeting hadn't been posted at the site, which is a city policy, Community Development Director Teresa McClain said.

"The word got out fairly successfully," Commissioner Glenn Martin said in advocating for the commission to go ahead with the hearing as planned Tuesday. "This is the biggest crowd we've seen at a meeting in months. We've got the crowd. We've got the staff."

About 60 people attended the meeting.

As proposed, the East Cherry Avenue Specific Plan looks to change the zoning on the majority of the more than 11-acre agriculturally-zoned parcel that's bounded by Traffic Way and East Cherry Avenue so it can be devel-

oped. The area where the 90-to-100-room hotel is proposed to be built isn't zoned for agriculture.

"The heart of the whole project is the specific plan," said John Rickenbach, project environmental consultant, adding such a document allows for flexibility in zoning, and guides land use, design and circulation.

For the specific plan to gain approval, the City Council first has to approve a general plan amendment allowing a zoning change on the property and also amend the development code. No date has been set for that hearing.

The plan calls for development of a hotel and restaurant, which would be constructed at the corner of Traffic Way and East Cherry,

Jack English, Lifetime Arroyo Grande resident

with a 60-lot subdivision proposed along East Cherry and the Japanese gardens project adjacent to that at the far eastern end of the property.

"These aren't really complicated plans," said Carol Florence, principal planner at Oasis Associates, which is representing all three project applicants. "It's the details that are important, and I don't believe we have left any stone unturned."

Both Rickenbach and Florence acknowledged water is an issue as the state continues to grapple with the ongoing drought, but they both also said the proposal will actually create a net decrease in demand and that there's sufficient water for the project.

The site currently uses 41.3 acre-feet a year. With the new uses, it's projected the water demand will be 36.2 acre-feet, Rickenbach said.

Some audience members expressed the belief that as Arroyo Grande residents they are being punished by having to conserve or pay higher rates, while developers are getting rewarded with hotel projects they think will use too much water. A 50-plus room boutique hotel also was recently approved for development at Branch and Mason streets in the Village.

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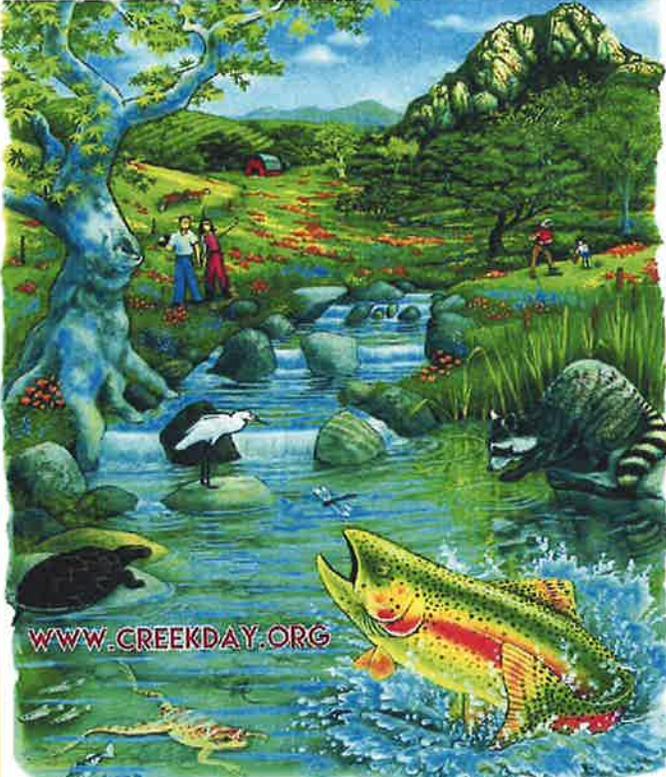
Carol Florence,
 Principal planner at Oasis Associates

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San Luis Obispo County

CREEK DAY CLEANUP

	SOUTH COUNTY SEPTEMBER 17, 2016 9AM TO NOON	NORTH COUNTY SEPTEMBER 24, 2016 9AM TO NOON
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Let's get together and clean up the creeks!

Join family, friends, and neighbors at this fun volunteer event.

Cleaning the creeks helps protect our wildlife and improves the beauty of our county. Fall is an important time to remove trash before winter rains arrive and wash debris and trash into the ocean.

PLEASE CHECK IN at one of these seven stations on Saturday morning:

PASO ROBLES
 Larry Moore Park, Riverbank Ln.
 Hosted by City of Paso Robles
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TEMPLETON
 206 Fifth Street
 Hosted by Templeton Comm. Services District and Upper Salinas Las Tablas RCD
Ms@templetoncsd.org (805) 434-4194

ATASCADERO
 City Hall parking lot
 Hosted by Atascadero Mutual Water Co.
jhendrickson@amwco.us (805) 484-5347

CAL POLY
 Dexter Lawn
 Hosted by Environmental Health & Safety
kbuzby@calpoly.edu (805) 756-6664

SAN LUIS OBISPO
 Santa Rosa Park
 Hosted by City of San Luis Obispo
fotte@slcoi.org (805) 781-7511

ARROYO GRANDE
 229 Stanley Avenue
 Hosted by City of Arroyo Grande and Central Coast Salmon Enhancement
kbafferman@arroyogrande.org (805) 473-5420 or
chrh@centralcoastsalmon.com

NIPOMO
 Tefft and Carlo Sts. east of Hwy 101
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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



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Excavation

From AJ

of Cal Poly, where Kristin Smart was last seen, San Luis Obispo County Sheriff Ian Parkinson said Tuesday during a press conference announcing the new development in the case.

Parkinson said a lead was developed over the last two years strongly suggesting Smart may be buried on the hillside near the Poly "P" painted stones on the hill shaped into the letter "P." That hillside also is located behind the dorm rooms where Smart and Flores were headed the last time anyone saw the freshman alive.

"We are hopeful this will lead to the finding of Kristin or evidence that will bring closure to the family and, ultimately, to the community," Parkinson said.

Human remains detection dogs, specifically trained to detect human decomposition, were brought to the Cal Poly campus, as well as several other locations in the county, at the beginning of the year based on the new lead.

The three dogs hit on

areas of the hillside below the "P" and other locations that the sheriff isn't disclosing but where digs also are being conducted this week because of the ongoing investigation, he said.

"This team focused on older cases and that's why they were of interest to us," Parkinson said. "That's why we brought them here. We aren't sure where this is going to take us. Obviously, we want to be as optimistic as possible, and we hope this leads to evidence of Kristin."

During the next few days, a team of 25 special FBI agents will comb through the excavation site looking for any evidence of human remains or anything that may suggest a crime has been committed, said FBI Special Agent Sean Ragan, who added the team will dig down about 3 feet and about 90 feet outward.

"That's subject to change based on what evidence is recovered," Ragan said, noting much of the next two days worth of excavation work will be done by hand. "It's pretty painstaking work. That's why we have 25 evidence techs here, because it's going to take quite a bit of human labor to go through

that." Parkinson stressed it was important for the community to manage its expectations of the dig and announcement, which he said was made because the excavation site is in such a high-profile location.

"We are hoping we find something, and we're committed to not stopping until we can bring this to a closure," Parkinson said. "It's our hope and desire that this leads to some of the answers that we have been asking for the last 20 years — what happened to Kristin."

He also said the area had been searched before, shortly after Smart's disappearance, but he likened that search to looking for missing car keys.

"It's like keys missing in your house. You do a broad search and then you do a very specific search," Parkinson said. "This is a very specific search, with very specific tools to help us locate (something). The previous search 20 years ago involved the entire campus."

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Surround yourself with wildlife art at a Nipomo Open Studio

When you visit the art studio of Nipomo wildlife artist Nancy Walters you will find yourself surrounded by large striking oil paintings of animals.

She creates her realistic paintings from the photographs and studies she makes during her travels around the world and the country. Nancy has recently moved to the Central Coast after a lifetime in the San Francisco Bay Area.

As a new artist in Nipomo she will be participating for the first time in the AKTS

Obispo Open Studios Art Tour. In addition to showing her beautiful paintings Nancy she will be available to talk about the wonderful and sometimes amazing adventures behind each image and story boards will demonstrate her step by step technique in oil painting.

Her studio is open only for private appointments but on this rare occasion, she will be opening her studio to the public Oct. 7 and 8 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 1367 Trail View Place, Nipomo.



Nancy Walters in her Nipomo studio.

Her work can be seen on her website www.nancy-waltersart.com and she is listed in the Arts Obispo Open Studios Art Tour Directory at www.artsobispo.org

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Adam Hill, 3rd District Supervisor, talks to the mayor of Grover Beach, John Shoal at the San Luis Obispo County Democratic Party during the 59th annual Labor Day picnic Monday at Strother Park in Arroyo Grande.



Salud Carbajal, who is running for the 24th Congressional District seat, talks to a crowd of Democratic supporters at the San Luis Obispo County Democratic Party during the 59th annual Labor Day picnic Monday at Strother Park in Arroyo Grande.

Picnic

From AJ

spoken at the yearly event many times in the past and said this year's event, where she did speak, was somewhat bittersweet because it was her last as an elected official.

However, she also said there was no reason she couldn't continue attending the picnic in the future because she enjoys the event.

"This is a uniquely American holiday in my opinion," Capps said shortly after arriving at the park. "I don't know if it is, but I feel that way to me. Working men and women are the backbone of our country. It's how our country was built,

hard work. It's a way of life."

Santa Barbara County 1st District Supervisor and Congressional candidate Salud Carbajal also attended Monday's event and prior to taking the podium said Labor Day was a day to reflect on the prosperity America has been able to achieve, in great part, because of organized labor.

"When you consider our eight-hour work day, worker protection," Carbajal said, "When you consider all these things that have brought up the middle class and prosperity in America for everyone, working families, middle class families, it's been those things that labor has really fought for and has achieved."

In his keynote speech, Mooming also spoke to the day being singled out for America's working class, which tend to be Democrats, he said.

"Labor Day is a special holiday, especially for Democrats because we are joined at the hip with organized labor," said Mooming, who touched on everything from the fires that have bum-

ing up and down the state and the firefighters working on Labor Day to the upcoming presidential election.

Nipomo resident Donna Kandel has been attending the picnic with her husband, Herb, for at least the past 10 years, she said. Monday was no different for the school teacher, who's also president of the teachers' union.

"The fact that we're enjoying this day is because of the labor movement," Kandel said. "I think so many Americans don't always remember the origins and why we celebrate it. So many of things we take advantage of — child labor laws, weekends — these are all things that wouldn't have happened without the labor movement."

Proceeds from the annual event will help maintain the Democratic party presence in the county, while also helping the San Luis Obispo County Democrats with the upcoming races in November, according to a spokesperson.

For more information about the organization, visit <http://abcddp.org> or call 546-6499.

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Clean-Up Week

September 19 - 23, 2016

Rules & Regulations

CLEAN-UP WEEK
A community service provided free to single family residential customers of South County Sanitary Service.

ON THE CURB
Place your Clean-Up Week garbage on the curb no later than 6:00pm on your regular garbage collection day. Don't block your waste wheelers, we still run automated trucks.

CONTAINER NOTES
Clean-Up Week garbage may be placed in standard trash cans or tied in bundles.

MORE CONTAINER NOTES
Standard trash containers will be emptied and left on the curb. Boxes and plastic bags will be taken away with your garbage. If you want your non-standard containers left behind, please mark or place a note on them.

CONTAINER SIZE
Containers or bundles of garbage must weigh 75 pounds or less and must measure four feet or less in overall length. No hazardous materials will be taken.

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Fire destroys greenhouse on Nipomo Mesa

Fire destroyed a greenhouse on the Nipomo Mesa on Sunday afternoon, said a spokeswoman for Cal Fire/San Luis Obispo County Fire Department.

The fire was reported at 5:02 p.m. in the 500 block of Guadalupe Road, but initial calls left officials uncertain about the nature of the fire, a Cal Fire spokesman said.

Cal Fire dispatched three engines as well as a bulldozer in case it was a wildland fire.

But flames only extended a short distance into the land surrounding the structure before firefighters brought the blaze under control at 5:17 p.m., Cal Fire officials said.

Neither the size of the plastic-roofed structure nor an estimate of damage in dollars was available, the spokeswoman said.

A unit from Santa Maria Fire Department and another from Santa Barbara County Fire Department also responded, but Cal Fire crews extinguished the blaze before they arrived so they returned to quarters.

Cal Fire crews remained on the scene a couple of hours mopping up and doing salvage work.

Little League to hold elections for 2017 season

Annual elections for the 2017 Nipomo Little League board will be held Tuesday, Sept. 27, at the Nipomo Library, 916 W. 7th St.

Nominations will open at 7:30 p.m., with voting set to begin at 7:45 p.m. The seating of the board will occur at 8 p.m.

All interested members are encouraged to come out and participate, as the league is only as strong as its volunteers, said a league spokesman.

For more information, email nipomolittleleague@gmail.com, or call 310-1067. For more details about the league, check out Nipomo Little League's Facebook page, or visit www.nipomolittleleague.com.

Former AGHS football star arraigned

Diaz pleads not guilty in hit-and-run case

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Overseen in all black, except for a silver tie, a former Arroyo Grande High School football star made his first court appearance Monday since allegedly striking two people — killing one and critically injuring the other — in a crosswalk in Grover Beach last month, then fleeing the scene.

Zachary David Diaz, 20, of Arroyo Grande, is facing a single count of felony hit-and-run and misdemeanor vehicular manslaughter without gross negligence for the Aug. 27 crash.

Atascadero resident Juli Anna Conn, 50, was killed and Steven Lee Stapleton, 54, also of Atascadero, was critically injured when they were struck by a vehicle reportedly driven by Diaz just before 10 p.m. as they

were crossing the street on West Grand Avenue at Seventh Street in Grover Beach.

Diaz reportedly fled the scene, turning himself in at the Grover Beach Police Department several hours after the fatality. Before he turned himself in, investigators had located and seized Diaz's vehicle in Arroyo Grande and had identified him as the suspected driver, police said.

Diaz pleaded not guilty Monday to the two charges that carry a combined maximum sentence of four years in San Luis Obispo County Jail if he is convicted.

A preliminary hearing in the case was set for Sept. 27 in San Luis Obispo Superior Court, Department 8.

Diaz, who was flanked by a fairly large group of friends as he entered and exited the courtroom Monday, had posted \$50,000 bail shortly after his arrest and has been out of custody since that time.

Judge Dodie Harman said his

ball was appropriate and didn't change it during the arraignment hearing.

Diaz played varsity football at Arroyo Grande High School as a junior during the 2011-12 school year and again during his senior year in 2012-13, when he reportedly graduated.

He was a middle linebacker, who sported No. 52 and was named to the All-Fac-7's local list of fall honorees in 2012, earning him a spot on the first team on defense after voting.

During his varsity football career at Arroyo Grande High School, Diaz had an average of nearly six tackles a game, for a total of 134 assisted tackles, 94 solo tackles, two sacks and three interceptions over the two years that he played, according to www.maxpreps.com.

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PHILIP H. CONTRASTO
Former Arroyo Grande High School football star Zachary Diaz appears in San Luis Obispo Superior Court on Monday with his attorney, Guy Galambos. Diaz allegedly hit two pedestrians, killing one and critically injuring the other, while the pair were crossing Grand Avenue in Grover Beach late last month and then fled the scene.

Season

From AI

markets, and I wonder if there will many this year.

When it comes to the baked goods, you don't

have to worry about the season. You just have to hope that Russ gets up at 4 in the morning and starts baking for the market. So far so good.

Remember to set aside some time on Sunday to

visit the Nipomo Farmers market. We are located in the parking lot at Monarch Dunes and are open between 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Come on down and check us out!

Runner

From AI

Another 300 volunteers took to the graded-dirt fire roads and single-track trails on horseback, mountain bike, four-wheeler and all-terrain vehicle to monitor participants' progress and safety, provide liquids, snacks and first aid at 10 aid stations along the routes, If's Search and Rescue

and give unsuspecting first-timers rides out when their legs, lungs or minds failed them.

"When you have 1,200 runners running a beatly event like this, you're going to have some who didn't really realize what they were getting into," Pruitt said.

Volunteers included members of the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Station along the routes, If's Search and Rescue

Team, Central Coast Concerned Mountain Bikers, Atascadero Horsemen's Club, Backcountry Horsemen — Los Padres Unit, Central Coast Land Cruisers 4-wheel Drive Club and countless running, triathlon and college clubs and organizations.

"I'm impressed with all the work that's gone into this. It's a neat deal!" said Tom Blessent of HomeFed.

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CONTAINER SIZE
Cans, no top or bundles of garbage must weigh 75 pounds or less and must measure four feet or less in overall length. No hazardous materials will be taken.

Garbage, green waste, & recycling combined for 12 cans, bags, or bundles plus your waste wheelers. Excess garbage will be left on the curb.

THE WE STANDARD TRASH CANS (12) weigh on each side the equivalent in bags, sacks, or bundles. Each net to exceed 75 pounds and four feet in length.

BULKY ITEMS (PLEASE CALL FIRST)
The following special prices are valid only during Clean-Up week. Items must be on the curb to qualify for these special prices. You must call [our wext](tel:489-4246) before your collection day.

\$10 Each - Lawn Mower (max. 60VOLT)
\$150 Each - Stump Puller (max. 12" dia.)
\$100 Each - TV (max. 42" dia.)
\$100 Each - Dishwasher (max. 24" wide)
\$100 Each - Dryer (max. 27" wide)
\$100 Each - Washer (max. 27" wide)
\$100 Each - Stove (max. 24" wide)
\$100 Each - Refrigerator (max. 24" wide)
\$100 Each - Freezer (max. 24" wide)
\$100 Each - Microwave (max. 18" wide)
\$100 Each - Toaster (max. 10" wide)
\$100 Each - Blender (max. 10" wide)
\$100 Each - Juicer (max. 10" wide)
\$100 Each - Coffee Maker (max. 10" wide)
\$100 Each - Dish Rack (max. 18" wide)
\$100 Each - Dish Soap (max. 10" wide)
\$100 Each - Dish Towel (max. 18" wide)
\$100 Each - Dishcloth (max. 18" wide)

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Cheryl Decker, MD, FACEP, Cancer Risk and Survivorship

Robert Diekmann, MD, Medical Oncologist

Kevin Ferguson, MD, Pathologist

Samuel B. Kietley, MD, Urologic Oncologist

Christopher Lutman, MD, Gynecologic Oncologist

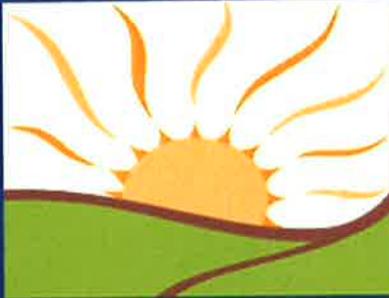
Monica Recco, MD, FACS, Breast Surgeon

Event includes an interactive session with our Mission Hope Cancer Center physician panel who will answer audience member questions.

Seats are going fast to this free event! Please call now to register: [805.219.HOPE](tel:805.219.HOPE).

Jessica Matson

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September Luncheon

*Thursday, September 22nd
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Blacklake Golf Resort

*1490 Golf Course Ln.
Nipomo*

*BBQ Chopped Salad-Ham, Turkey, Bacon,
Cheddar, Avocado, Tomato, Crisp lettuce, Croutons
with BBQ-Ranch dressing*

OR

*BBQ Chicken Breast Sandwich-BBQ sauce, Lettuce,
Tomato & Onion on Brioche Bun served with Fries*

Classic Crème Brulee

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Nipomo Community Services District

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Wednesday, September 14, 2016

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Challenge of Meeting Community Water Needs

A message from the General Manager

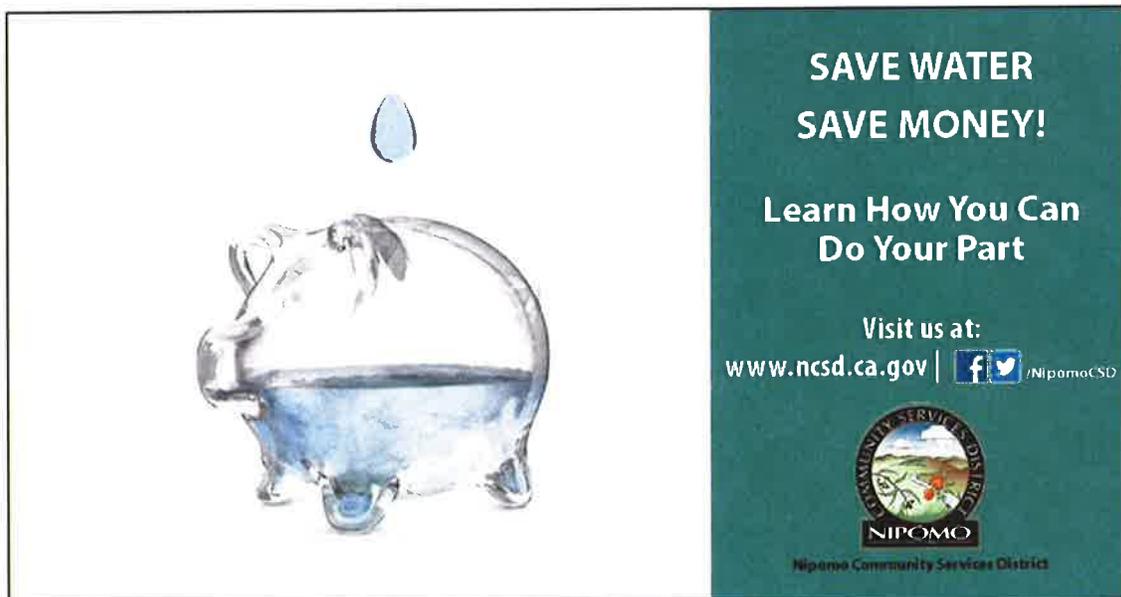


Balancing water resources in California is a way of life. It demands our attention and takes up our time and money. It requires us to consider terms like “fair” and “equitable.” It stirs up controversy and polarizes communities. From the highest Federal regulatory agency to water providers such as the Nipomo Community Services District (NCSD), the role government plays in protecting water supplies is deep rooted and essential.

With water, appropriating equally and equitably may be similar but the terms are

not the same. When it comes to conservation, water users on the Mesa are divided into two categories: those who must conserve water and those who are expected to conserve water. Under the Nipomo Mesa Management Area Technical Group's current Water Shortage Condition Stage IV requirement, customers served by water providers on the Mesa must show a 50% reduction in their groundwater pumping. Overlying landowners on the Mesa are expected to limit their groundwater pumping to 110% of their highest usage prior to July 2015 but are not required to demonstrate this reduction. Here again, "must conserve" and "expected to conserve" are not the same.

Everyone is expected to conserve water, but... [Read More](#)



August Conservation Update

The District's conservation efforts remain steady and meet the State's mandated 28% reduction.

In August, the District produced 196 acre feet or about 64 Million gallons of water to meet customer demand. This equates to a 28.3% reduction in overall production compared to August 2013. Additionally, thanks to the arrival of supplemental water in July 2015, groundwater pumping during August was 56.3% lower than the 5-year average for August!

With the [Board's declaration](#) of Stage IV water shortage conditions in July, the District continues to encourage customers to conserve as they have. There are no specific mandated restrictions added to Stage III requirements. The Board directed staff to keep [Stage III conservation measures](#) in place (see below) until further review of pumping levels at a January 2017 Regular Board meeting. If the 50% groundwater reduction goal is not met, the Board may decide to implement Stage IV conservation measures.

Minimum irrigation to preserve high-value landscape. Irrigate after 8PM and before 9AM

Do not allow excessive runoff

Do not use water to wash vehicles or equipment except for health and safety purposes

Do not use water on exterior surfaces

With the continued drought and lack of rain, conservation remains very important. As always, [saving water saves money!](#)

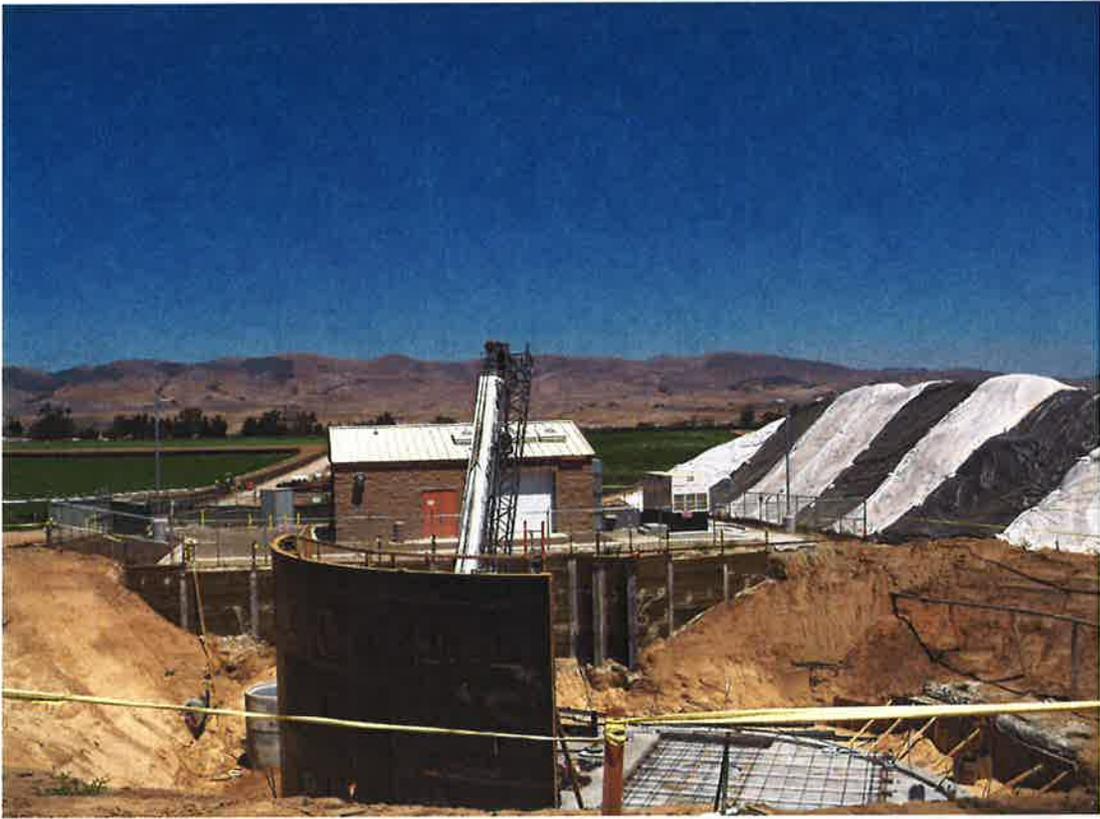
Supplemental Water Project Reservoir on Schedule



The Nipomo Supplemental Water Project received its first deliveries of water from Santa Maria in July 2015. As of June 30th the District had imported 671 AF (acre feet) to the Nipomo Mesa area.

In March the District began construction on Phase IIA of the Supplemental Water Project which includes a 500,000 gallon reservoir for the importation of a minimum of 800 AFY of water from the City of Santa Maria. The Project is scheduled to be completed by January 2017.

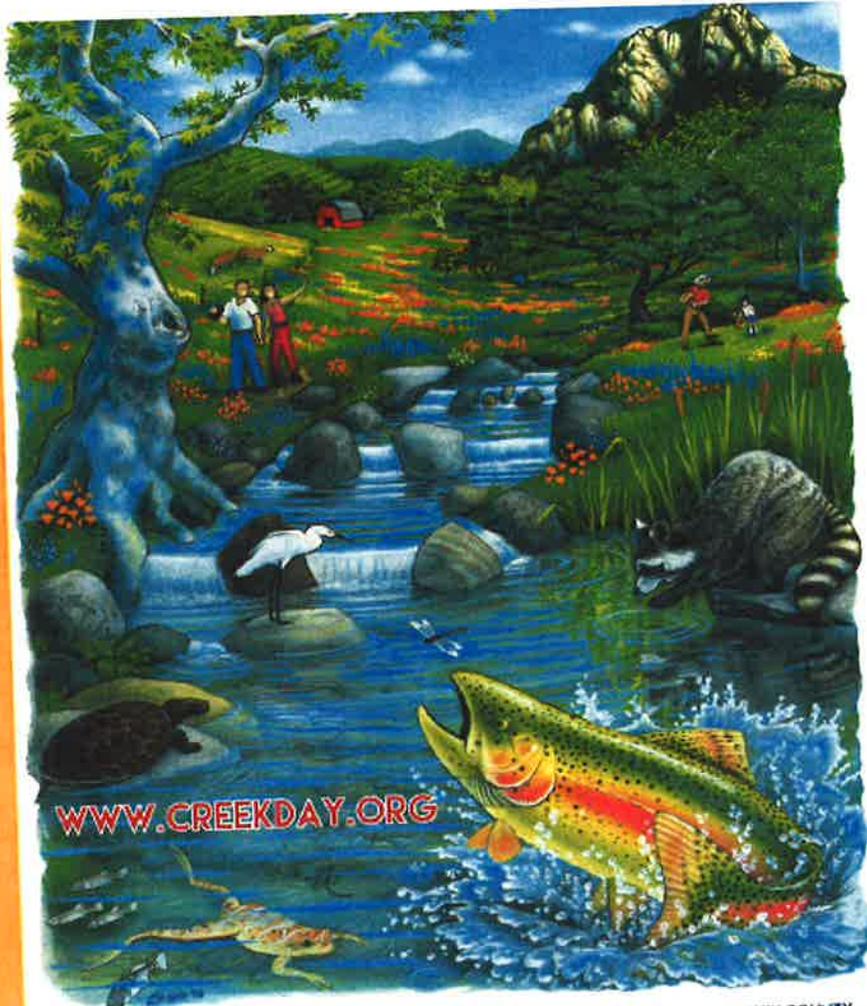
This increase in supplemental water allows the District to pump less groundwater from the underlying aquifer and ensure water supply reliability.



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CREEK DAY CLEANUP

SOUTH COUNTY
SEPTEMBER 17, 2016
9AM TO NOON

NORTH COUNTY
SEPTEMBER 24, 2016
9AM TO NOON

Let's get together and
clean up the creeks!

Join family, friends, and neighbors at
this fun volunteer event.

Cleaning the creeks helps protect our
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our county. Fall is an important time
to remove trash before winter rains
arrive and wash debris and trash into
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PLEASE CHECK IN
at one of these seven stations on
Saturday morning:

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Larry Moore Park, Riverbank Ln.
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206 Fifth Street
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District and Upper Salinas Las Tablas RCD
klix@templetoncsd.org (805) 434-4914

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jendrickson@amwco.us (805) 464-5347

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Dexter Lawn
Hosted by Environmental Health & Safety
kbusby@calpoly.edu (805) 756-6664

SAN LUIS OBISPO
Santa Rosa Park
Hosted by City of San Luis Obispo
fotte@slocity.org (805) 781-7511

ARROYO GRANDE
229 Stanley Avenue
Hosted by City of Arroyo Grande and
Central Coast Salmon Enhancement
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CONTAINER SIZE

Containers or bundles of garbage must weigh 75 pounds or less and must measure four feet or less in overall length. No hazardous materials will be taken.

Garbage, greenwaste, & recycling combined for 12 cans, bags, or bundles **plus your waste wheelers.** Excess garbage will be left on the curb.

TWELVE standard trash cans (32 gallons each) **OR** the equivalent in bags, boxes, or bundles. Each not to exceed 75 pounds and four feet in length

BULKY ITEMS (PLEASE CALL FIRST)

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\$10 EACH - LIMIT TWO OF EACH. OVERLY LARGE ITEMS REQUIRING TWO MEN TO HANDLE WILL HAVE ADDITIONAL COST BY QUOTE ONLY
Televisions • Water Heaters • Couches • Washers • Dryers • Small Appliances • Chairs • Box Springs • Mattresses • Refrigerators • Overstuffed Chairs • Metal Items
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BLACKLAKE WRF HEADWORKS REHABILITATION PROJECT - NOTICE INVITING BIDS

RECEIPT OF BIDS: Sealed Bids will be received at the office of the General Manager, Nipomo Community Services District, OWNER of the WORK, located at 148 South Wilson Street, Nipomo, CA 93444, until 2 PM, local time, on October 12, 2016, for BLACKLAKE WRF HEADWORKS REHABILITATION PROJECT. Any Bids received after the specified time and date will not be considered. Bids shall conform to and be responsive to the Contract Documents for the work.

OPENING OF BIDS: The Bids will be publicly opened and read at 2 PM, local time, on October 12, 2016, at the above-mentioned office of the OWNER.

COMPLETION OF WORK: The WORK must be completed within 90 successive calendar days after the commencement date stated in the Notice to Proceed.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The work involves concrete repair and re-coating of the headworks as well as electrical conduit replacement and installation of slide gates and safety appurtenances (railings and gates) at the Blacklake Water Reclamation Facility (WRF). The work also involves rehabilitating the influent manhole by re-coating it and replacing its frame and cover.

SITE OF WORK: The project site is located at the District's Blacklake Water Reclamation Facility at 1400 Willow Road in Nipomo, California 93444.

OBTAINING CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: The Contract Documents are entitled "BLACKLAKE WRF HEADWORKS REHABILITATION PROJECT." The Contract Documents may be obtained from ASAP Reprographics, 495 Morro Bay Boulevard, Morro Bay, CA 93442, Attn: Vicki Marlin (Phone 805-772-6921). Bidders must register as an Official Plan Holder at ASAP Reprographics and pay \$45 (non-refundable) for each set of Contract Documents (including technical specifications and accompanying reduced scale drawings) to be assured of receiving all addenda and plan revisions that may occur during the bidding. Checks shall be made payable to the Nipomo Community Services District. The scale of the reduced drawings is about one-half of the original scale. If full scale drawings are desired they may be purchased at reproduction cost from ASAP Reprographics. The contract documents and the document holder list may be viewed online at www.asapreprographics.com.

BID SECURITY: Each Bid shall be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check or Bid Bond in the amount of 10 percent of the Total Bid Price payable to the Nipomo Community Services District as a guarantee that the Bidder, if its Bid is accepted, will promptly execute the Agreement and provide all required bonds and insurance. A bid shall not be considered unless one of the forms of Bidder's security is enclosed with it.

CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE CLASSIFICATION: In accordance with the provisions of California Public Contract Code Section 3300, the OWNER has determined that the CONTRACTOR shall possess a valid Class "A" General Engineering contractor's license issued by the State of California, Contractors State License Board, at the time that bids are submitted.

Failure to possess the specified license shall render the Bid non-responsive and shall bar award of the Contract to any bidder not possessing the license at the bids are submitted.

BIDS TO REMAIN OPEN: The Bidder shall guarantee the Total Bid Price for a period of 90 calendar days from the date of bid opening.

BASIS OF AWARD: The OWNER will award the contract, if at all, to the responsible contractor that submits the lowest bid.

CALIFORNIA WAGE RATE REQUIREMENTS: In accordance with the provisions of California Labor Code Sections 1770, 1773, 1773.1, 1773.6 and 1773.7 as amended, the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rate of per diem wages in accordance with the standards set forth in Section 1773 for the locality in which the WORK is to be performed. A copy of the wage rate determination is on file at the office of the OWNER. It shall be mandatory upon the CONTRACTOR to whom the WORK is awarded and upon any subcontractor under the CONTRACTOR to pay not less than the specified rates to all workmen employed by them in the execution of the WORK.

BONDS: The successful bidder will be required to furnish DISTRICT with Payment and Performance Bonds equal to 100% of the Contract Price. Bonds shall be on the forms included in the Contract Documents; DISTRICT will not accept bonds on any other form.

RETAINAGE FROM PAYMENTS: The CONTRACTOR may elect to receive 100 percent of payments due under the Contract Documents from time to time, without retention of any portion of the payment by the OWNER, by depositing securities of equivalent value with the OWNER in accordance with the provisions of Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code. Such securities, if deposited by the CONTRACTOR, shall be valued by the OWNER, whose decision on valuation of the securities shall be final. Securities eligible for investment under this provision shall be limited to those listed in Section 16430 of the Government Code, bank or savings and loan certificates of deposit, interest-bearing demand deposit accounts, standby letters of credit, or any other security mutually agreed to by the CONTRACTOR and the OWNER.

MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE AND VISIT TO SITE: Prospective bidders are required to attend a mandatory pre-bid conference and site visit that will begin at 10 AM, local time, on September 27, 2016 at the Blacklake WRF at 1400 Willow Rd, Nipomo, California, 93444.

PROJECT ADMINISTRATION: All communications relative to this WORK shall be directed to the DESIGN ENGINEER at least ten (10) calendar days prior to opening of the Bids.

Michael K. Nunley & Associates, Inc.
P.O. Box 1604.
Arroyo Grande, CA 93421
Telephone: (805) 904-6530
Fax: (805) 904-6532

Attention: Eileen Shields, P.E.
Email: eshields@mknassociates.us

OWNER'S RIGHTS RESERVED: The OWNER reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality in a bid, and to make award, if any, to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder as it may best serve the interest of the OWNER.

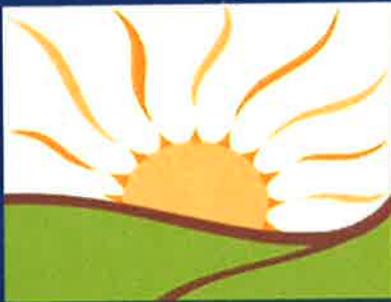
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Please RSVP with menu selection

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Board Authorizes Bidding for Blacklake Golf Resort Water Reclamation Facility Rehabilitation

At its September 14th Regular Meeting the District's Board of Directors authorized staff to advertise the Blacklake Water Reclamation Facility Headworks Rehabilitation Project for bidding.

The Blacklake Wastewater Collection, Treatment and Reclamation system was initially constructed in 1984 and expanded thereafter by private developers to serve the Blacklake Specific Plan Area. The system was initially operated by the County of San Luis Obispo. The District annexed the Blacklake Specific Plan Area and assumed operation of the sewer system in 1993. Today the system includes the treatment and reclamation facility, approximately 7-miles of collection piping and three sewer lift-stations. The treated plant effluent is delivered to the golf course for blending and irrigation.

Due to the age of the system, staff identified need for some repairs. One of the high priority areas is the headworks of the treatment facility. The headworks is the first stage of a complex treatment process. The required work includes repairing and recoating of concrete channels; installing new safety rails, chains and gates; replacing stop plates with slide gates; recoating piping; and rehabilitating the influent manhole.

The project involves the modification of existing facilities and will not increase capacity.

The Board is tentatively scheduled to consider awarding the Project construction contract in November 2016.

The District will continue to work with the Blacklake Facilities Committee and Blacklake community throughout the Project.

Next Scheduled Board Meeting: Wednesday, September 28th, 9AM, District Jon S. Seitz Board Room, 148 South Wilson, Nipomo.

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District Awards Grant Funds for Solid Waste Removal to Nipomo Chamber of Commerce

At its September 14th Regular meeting the District's Board of Directors approved to award Nipomo Chamber of Commerce grant funds in the amount of \$1,980 for continued solid waste removal with the Cal Trans Adopt-a-Highway program.

The Nipomo Chamber of Commerce requested the grant funds to continue cleanup along CA Highway 101 one mile north of the Santa Maria Bridge and one mile south of Tefft Street. The grant will fund the program for twelve months.

Chamber Executive Director, Amber Wilson, stated "the Nipomo Chamber of Commerce has been working with the NCS D for over three years now to partner in the removal of solid waste from the streets of our community. The NCS D's generous grant has created a considerable difference in the beautification of our town."

The Board agreed these were funds well spent producing multilayered community benefit.

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Santa Maria groundwater basin's fringe areas under scrutiny

April Charlton acharlton@leecentralcoastnews.com Updated 21 hrs ago 0



Staff file

A nearly empty Twitchell Reservoir is shown in 2014. The Sustainable Groundwater Management agency, which would aim to manage the fringe areas of the Santa Maria Valley Groundwater Basin court-stipulated agreement.

What a future groundwater sustainability agency means for property owners on the eastern fringe areas of the Santa Maria Valley Groundwater Basin remains a large unknown as the process for creating the new entity moves forward.

And just how many landowners with private wells in those fringe areas of the basin -- that extends

from Pismo Beach to Santa Maria -- could be affected by the yet-to-be-formed entity is also unknown.

However, water users within the adjudicated areas of the basin, such as the cities of Santa Maria, Arroyo Grande and areas served by the Nipomo Community Services District, aren't expected to be affected by the state's most recent water-related legislation — the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA).

"Even if you are physically in the fringe area (in Arroyo Grande and the NCSD), we don't believe you are governed by SGMA," said Mindy Meyer, lead mediator with the Center for Collaborative Policy. "You have the same protection that an adjudicated basin has, because you are technically governed by the adjudicated basin."

The Center for Collaborative Policy, through grant funding, is helping San Luis Obispo County create the groundwater sustainability agency for the basin. The deadline to have the agency formed is June 30, 2017, or the state will step in and take over.

Enacted Jan. 1, 2015, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act is driving the formation of a local agency, which would aim to manage the fringe areas of the Santa Maria Valley Groundwater Basin that weren't included as part of a 2008 court-stipulated agreement settling a decades-old lawsuit over water rights in the basin.

As part of the court's adjudication of the groundwater basin, a judge awarded annual prescriptive rights of 5,100 acre-feet of the basin's "native water" to Santa Maria and 1,900 acre-feet to Golden State Water. Native water is defined as what would occur naturally in the basin.

The majority of the basin was covered by the stipulated agreement, however, numerous parcels east of Highway 101, now commonly known as the fringe areas, weren't included, and it's unknown how much water the properties contribute to the basin.

"The courts have ruled on adjudicated basins, so they are not part of what local agencies manage," Meyer explained about the process of forming a groundwater sustainability agency. "We have fringe areas that are unadjudicated, so that's what we're currently looking at."

Defining terms

The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act sets the framework for statewide, long-term sustainable groundwater management by local authorities -- in this case, most likely San Luis Obispo County -- and the creation of a groundwater sustainability agency.

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The new law is designed to address issues related to overdraft and safe yield, but it doesn't change existing groundwater rights.

"The local agencies in this basin are in the exploration phase," Meyer said. "They are looking to determine what SGMA is going to mean in this basin and what the appropriate steps are moving forward."

Other agencies, such as Santa Barbara County, the cities of Arroyo Grande and Pismo Beach and the NCSD and the Coastal San Luis Resource Conservation District could all possibly have a seat at the table once the groundwater sustainability agency is formed. Private well operators within the fringe area aren't eligible to be included, though.

For groundwater basins that the state Department of Water Resources has designated a medium or high priority, SGMA requires the formation of a groundwater sustainability agency, which then must assess the conditions of a basin and adopt a groundwater sustainability plan based on its findings.

"This is a high-priority basin," Meyer said. "Mostly because of the substantial amount of the basin

that's been adjudicated. It's not necessarily because of something that's happening in this basin."

Meyer said benefits of SGMA include providing local management of basins, which, in turn, will help establish the minimum standards for sustainable groundwater management, which the law defines as managing and using groundwater in a way that can be sustained over a long period of time — 50 years.

The legislation specifically defines sustainable yield as the amount of groundwater that can be withdrawn annually without chronically lowering levels, reducing storage, causing seawater intrusion, degrading water quality, causing land subsidence or depleting interconnected surface water, such as creeks, streams and rivers, in a way that causes significant and unreasonable impacts.

Meyer spoke at a county-hosted meeting last week in Arroyo Grande that drew a full house of concerned individuals who questioned whether SGMA will mean new restrictions on their water use, if they'll be charged for fees by the groundwater sustainability agency, which has the power to levy fees on basin users to support implementation of the new law.

They also wanted to know why the legislation was necessary and being applied to the Santa Maria basin, and whether their properties were included in the fringe area.

"There are people with wells there and people who get water there, but we don't know exactly how much of the resource is there," Meyer said about the fringe areas. "I honestly can't tell you what's going to happen, because I don't know. We are trying to find out. Part of it is that we're exploring. Where is the groundwater? How much of the groundwater is there?"

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Solvang considers ban on new salt-based water softeners

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Faced with potential fines for discharging excess sodium, chloride and total dissolved solids in treated wastewater and degrading the groundwater, the Solvang City Council approved the first reading of an ordinance that would ban the future installation of water softeners that use salt.

Council members voted 4-1, with Neill Zimmerman dissenting, to introduce the ordinance revising the city's sewer code.

Existing self-regenerating water softeners that use salt would be allowed to remain by being "grandfathered-in," but in the future, residents who want to start softening their water would have to use portable exchange tanks provided by such companies as Culligan and Rayne.

However, the council also directed the staff to look into other methods of reducing the amount of salts and dissolved solids going into the groundwater from treated effluent.

Staff had recommended implementing a rebate program that would assist homeowners who converted their self-regenerating softener systems to use portable exchange tank systems.

In addition to the cost of conversion, the monthly service charge on the exchange tanks is also considerably higher than the cost of operating the salt-based systems.

But the council held off on approving that program, which staff estimated would cost the city \$100,000 over the next two fiscal years to provide rebates to the first 200 owners of self-regenerating water softeners who apply.

The council also delayed approving a staff recommendation to ask the Santa Ynez Community Services District to implement sodium, chloride and dissolved solids reduction measures in its service area.

SYCSD effluent is treated at the Solvang plant, and the amount of salts and dissolved solids it contributes will affect the quality of the treated wastewater the city discharges.

The Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board has set specific limits for sodium, chloride and total dissolved solids in Solvang's wastewater discharge permit, said Matt van der Linden, public works director and city engineer.

"We're having trouble with all three of those right now," he told the council.

Using state water helped the city keep those contaminants low in its treated effluent, but the drought has forced the city to use more local water sources that are higher in total dissolved solids, van der Linden said.

That "harder" water causes self-regenerating water softeners to use more salt, which ends up in the treatment plant and, eventually, the groundwater basin, he said.

"We've seen a 60 percent increase in salt loading coming from residential softeners," he said, noting that's equivalent to 420 pounds per day. "The salt level is nearly doubled in water going into the treatment plant."

When van der Linden was asked how much the city was exceeding its permit levels, City Attorney Roy Hanley said he was advised not to answer that.

But City Manager Brad Vidro told the council the city must take some kind of action to reduce the increasing levels of salt and dissolved solids in treated effluent.

“This is not something you can choose to ignore,” he said. “Those that ignore it are paying big fines and big costs to upgrade (treatment plants). This is much less expensive to ratepayers than other methods.”

Nipomo Community Services District in San Luis Obispo County recently completed a \$13 million upgrade of its sewage treatment plant to avoid Water Quality Control Board fines ranging from \$15,000 a day to \$20 per gallon — or \$12 million a day, based on that plant’s average daily output of 600,000 gallons before the upgrade.



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Van der Linden said the Water Quality Control Board has already notified the city that its next discharge permit will also have limits set on nitrates and ammonia.

During public comment, Fred Kovol said the ordinance was a “2-inch Band-Aid on a 6-inch wound.”

"The (total dissolved solids) isn't coming from the water softener," he said. "It's coming from the water you deliver. It just goes straight on through."

He advised the city to renegotiate the treatment contract with SYCSD.

"What you're going to put on us, put on them," he said. "In one year, this will cost the citizens of this city \$300,000. In 10 years, that's \$3 million you're going to force on the residents.

"What's the solution?" he asked. "It's simple: You deliver up soft water to the residents of this city."

Van der Linden said citywide softening would be better, but the city is working to keep water and sewer rates down.

He estimated treatment at the well heads would cost \$1 million or more and major upgrades at the treatment plant at \$2 million, plus the additional expense of hauling away the recovered salt.

But Councilman Hans Duus said it would be worth pursuing a citywide softening system.

"With more stringent requirements coming down the road, I'm sure we could come up with a system to deal with all this," he said.

Zimmerman said he doesn't believe the ordinance revision will solve the problem and would lead the city to do nothing else.

"That's my only concern with this, is that it basically puts everything else aside," he said.

Mayor Jim Richardson said the council should act to prohibit any new salt-based softeners and then take a look at other programs.

"I can buy that as long as we've got a time goal ... so it doesn't just slip away and three years from now we say, 'Oh, we ought to take a look at it,'" Duus said.

Van der Linden said the staff can plug those options into the sewer rate study that's coming up to determine the various costs.

Vidro noted that not long ago the city considered installing a central softening system and the community objected to it based on location.

"It has to go somewhere," he said. "The community has to be committed to this as the right thing to do and where is the best place to put it."

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Week	Visits	Unique Visitors	Pageviews	Pages/Visit	Avg. Visit Duration	Bounce Rate	% New Visits	Highest Traffic Day	Significant Actions During the Week Possibly Contributing to Traffic
11/30/15 - 12/6/15	326	247	584	1.79	0:01:16	62.58%	52.76%	Fri 12/4	
12/7/15 - 12/13/15	268	214	510	1.9	0:01:35	58.96%	54.48%	Thu 12/10	
12/14/15 - 12/20/15	308	250	752	2.44	0:01:32	68.18%	58.44%	Thu 12/17	
12/21/15 - 12/27/15	207	179	341	1.65	0:01:23	73.91%	65.70%	Mon 12/21	Low due to holiday
12/28/15 - 1/3/16	178	150	325	1.83	0:01:32	62.36%	66.29%	Tue 12/29	Low due to holiday
1/4/16 - 1/10/16	302	232	580	1.92	0:01:36	60.26%	55.63%	Tue 1/5	
1/11/16 - 1/17/16	264	202	526	1.99	0:01:21	57.95%	56.44%	Wed 1/13	
1/18/16 - 1/24/16	309	228	587	1.9	0:01:42	54.37%	49.19%	Mon 1/19	
1/25/16 - 1/31/16	304	231	650	2.14	0:01:25	56.25%	55.26%	Mon 1/25	
2/1/16 - 2/7/16	321	255	592	1.84	0:01:15	60.44%	58.88%	Fri 2/5	
2/8/16 - 2/14/16	297	228	604	2.03	0:01:23	54.21%	56.90%	Wed 2/10	
2/15/16 - 2/21/16	272	204	485	1.78	0:01:30	58.46%	54.04%	Fri 2/19	
2/22/16 - 2/28/16	323	253	622	1.93	0:01:13	56.97%	59.44%	Thu 2/25	
2/29/16 - 3/6/16	355	272	698	1.97	0:01:28	54.65%	54.37%	Mon 2/29	
3/7/16 - 3/13/16	311	242	604	1.94	0:01:24	56.91%	56.91%	Fri 3/11	
3/14/16 - 3/20/16	270	210	499	1.85	0:01:22	65.19%	59.26%	Tue 3/15	
3/21/16 - 3/27/16	234	176	429	1.83	0:01:33	61.11%	53.42%	Wed 3/23	
3/28/16 - 4/3/16	221	170	564	2.55	0:01:21	57.92%	56.11%	Thu 3/31	
4/4/16 - 4/10/16	304	239	559	1.84	0:01:35	58.88%	56.91%	Tue 4/5	
4/11/16 - 4/17/16	315	244	595	1.89	0:01:31	59.37%	60.95%	Tue 4/12	
4/18/16 - 4/24/16	305	242	515	1.69	0:00:59	63.28%	59.67%	Fri 4/22	
4/25/16 - 5/1/16	276	216	530	1.92	0:01:46	61.23%	60.51%	Mon 4/25	
5/2/16 - 5/8/16	275	208	541	1.97	0:01:59	57.09%	54.55%	Wed 5/4	
5/9/16 - 5/15/16	276	208	584	2.12	0:01:37	51.45%	60.51%	Tue 5/10	
5/16/16 - 5/22/16	322	244	696	2.16	0:01:33	54.04%	54.97%	Thu 5/19	
5/23/16 - 5/29/16	262	208	519	1.98	0:01:03	54.20%	57.25%	Mon 5/23	
5/30/16 - 6/5/16	357	299	662	1.85	0:01:38	59.10%	63.31%	Fri 6/3	
6/6/16 - 6/12/16	325	250	742	2.28	0:02:55	58.77%	56.31%	Tue 6/7	
6/13/16 - 6/19/16	333	245	751	2.26	0:02:23	55.56%	50.15%	Fri 6/17	
6/20/16 - 6/26/16	312	231	553	1.77	0:01:23	59.94%	55.45%	Thu 6/23	
6/27/16 - 7/3/16	402	321	886	2.2	0:01:30	38.06%	68.66%	Sun 7/3	NMMA announcement

2016 Facebook Summary

Week	New Users	Comment Likes	Comment Shares	User Posts	*Content Views	Most Popular Post
7/22/16 - 8/4/16 (14 days)	0	3	0	0	265	Today the District's Board declared a Stage IV Water Shortage in accordance with it's Water Shortage Response and Management Plan. www.ncsd.ca.gov (166 views)
8/5/16 - 9/8/16 (35 days)	3	4	0	1	676	#waterwisewednesday #saveourwater (96 views)
9/9/16 - 9/22/16 (14 days)	2	1	0	1	270	This year's Creek Cleanup day for the #Nipomo area will take place Saturday, the 17th! https://creekday.org/ (55 views)

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2016 Twitter Summary

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Week	List Growth (Followers)	Re-tweets (shared)	Mentions/Favorites (comments)	Link Visits (visits to links)	Content Views (Impressions)	Average Views/Day (Impressions)	Most Popular Post
4/8/16 - 4/21/16 (14 days)	3	5	3	4	1,300	93	Agenda and Board Packet for the April 13th Regular Board Meeting has been posted on the District's website.... http://fb.me/4BVQxFYau (188 views)
4/22/16 - 5/5/16 (14 days)	1	6	7	5	1,700	121	#Nipomo CSD Board Moves Forward with Completion of #Blacklake Sewer Master Plan. http://www.ncsd.ca.gov http://fb.me/11lhtxkf7 (232 views)
5/6/16 - 5/19/16 (14 days)	6	1	1	8	1,800	129	Agenda and Packet for the May 11th Regular Board Meeting has been posted on the District's website. http://ncsd.ca.gov (83 views)
5/20/16 - 6/2/16 (14 days)	2	0	0	2	1,700	121	Public Hearing for the #Nipomo CSD 2015 Urban Water Management Plan begins at 9 AM this morning. Presentation is... http://fb.me/4DAHCr93P (88 views)
6/3/16 - 6/16/16 (14 days)	4	2	4	0	1,600	114	Proper watering makes #conservation sense! Only water when necessary. #drought #savewater #savewatersavemoney http://fb.me/Dp4gUbqo (164 views)
6/17/16 - 7/1/16 (15 days)	2	0	4	1	1,700	113	The #Nipomo Supplemental Water Project received @ASCETweets #WaterProjectoftheYear and overall #ProjectoftheYear! pic.twitter.com/7IPsUQPOcY (120 views)

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7/2/16 - 7/21/16 (21 days)	6	1	3	2	3,200	152	To save water & time, consider washing your face or brushing your teeth while in the shower http://ow.ly/3PX7E #waterwisewednesday (182 views)
7/22/16 - 8/4/16 (14 days)	0	1	4	3	1,100	79	Want to receive up-to-date District news? Sign-up on the District's website. http://fb.me/7fWNPoIVq (100 views)
8/5/16 - 9/8/16 (35 days)	0	5	4	6	4,200	120	The @DanaAdobe invites the public to a Groundbreaking Ceremony Aug 24th at 11AM for their new cultural center! pic.twitter.com/9Rr3WVov8 (380 views)
9/9/16 - 9/22/16 (14 days)	2	9	8	5	2,200	157	#CreekCleanup day for the #Nipomo area will take place Saturday, the 17th! https://creekday.org/ pic.twitter.com/VvO1ug7wRI (337 views)

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PRESS RELEASE

NOTICE OF GROUNDWATER STAKEHOLDER PUBLIC FORUM, ARROYO GRANDE – September 1, 2016 – The San Luis Obispo County Department of Public Works invites community members to attend a Groundwater Sustainability Agency Formation Stakeholder Forum for the Non-Adjudicated Portion of the Santa Maria River Valley Groundwater Basin, Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

What: A public meeting to help interested stakeholders learn more about an important new groundwater management law known as the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act or "SGMA." The forum will be co-hosted by the County of San Luis Obispo, the City of Arroyo Grande, the City of Pismo Beach, the County of Santa Barbara and the Coastal San Luis Resource Conservation District and facilitated by the Center for Collaborative Policy (California State University, Sacramento). The forum will overview the legislation's requirement to form a new groundwater management entity known as a "Groundwater Sustainability Agency" (GSA) by June 30, 2017, and how this new legislation will impact groundwater basin users east of Highway 101 (beyond the adjudicated portion of the basin). Time will be provided during the meeting for participants to give feedback and input, as well as ask questions and discuss GSA development.

Who: It is open to the public and interested community members. Please note that this workshop forum is specifically intended for groundwater pumpers in the non-adjudicated "Fringe Areas" of the Santa Maria River Valley Groundwater Basin east of Highway 101 (outside of adjudicated basin) and near / adjacent to Pismo Creek, Arroyo Grande Creek, the Nipomo Valley east of Nipomo Mesa, and the Cuyama River downstream of Twitchell Reservoir (in San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties). Please visit <http://slocountywater.org/sgma> for a location map of these "Fringe Areas," which lie outside of the adjudicated Management Areas of the basin.

When: Wednesday, September 14, 2016, 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Where: South County Regional Center, 800 West Branch St., Arroyo Grande, CA

We would appreciate your RSVP to Dick Tzou ([805-781-4473](tel:805-781-4473); dtzou@co.slo.ca.us) so our team can provide adequate workshop materials and refreshments.

For information regarding SGMA efforts, or to receive emails about future updates on the GSA formation development in the "Fringe Areas," please visit the County's SGMA website <http://slocountywater.org/sgma> and sign up with our emailing list for the Santa Maria River Valley Basin.

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**Santa Maria Basin
Sustainable Groundwater Management Act |Stakeholder Forum**

Wednesday, September 14, 2016

6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Location: South County Regional Center, 800 W Branch St, Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

Meeting purpose

- Provide an overview of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)
- Review expected SGMA impacts and early exploration steps in Santa Maria Basin
- Create an opportunity for public input: questions, comments and considerations

Time	Topic	Presenter
6:00	Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome and opening remarks • Agenda review and meeting purpose 	County of San Luis Obispo Mindy Meyer, Center for Collaborative Policy
6:15	SGMA Background, Overview and Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need and rationale for sustainable groundwater management • Implementation across the State • Core SGMA elements, associated requirements and timeline • Q&A session 	Mindy Meyer, Center for Collaborative Policy All
6:35	Early SGMA Outreach and Exploration Steps in Santa Maria Basin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of local agencies • SGMA Implementation in Santa Maria Basin and County of San Luis Obispo’s Role • Role and involvement of private well owners • Q&A session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Representation – who best represents your interests? ○ Outreach – what is the best way to keep you informed? ○ YOUR groundwater interests, concerns, and needs – what is the best way for US to understand and stay informed? 	Mindy Meyer, Center for Collaborative Policy Local Agency Representatives County of San Luis Obispo All
7:15	Open Discussion / Public Comment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments, questions, suggested considerations 	All

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7:45	Next Steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploration of GSA Formation • Ongoing outreach / role of the public and groundwater users 	County of San Luis Obispo
8:00	Formal Meeting Adjourns <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Agency staff available to meet with meeting attendees 	All
8:30	Meeting Adjourns	

Meeting Ground Rules

1. **Be comfortable** – we have refreshments, feel free to stand and stretch as needed, the restrooms are out the doors
2. **Humor is welcome** – it just should not be at someone else’s expense
3. **Use common conversational courtesy** – let people finish their sentences, use appropriate language, avoid third-party conversations at the table
4. **Share the air** – this is everybody’s meeting, the facilitator will balance participation by regularly checking in with people who have not spoken
5. **All ideas have value and will be documented** – it is okay to disagree, everyone brings a unique perspective and no one individual’s ideas are valued over any other
6. **Treat each other with respect** – we are all people who care about the Santa Maria Valley, and we have a variety of different personal and professional backgrounds and knowledge
7. **Avoid editorials** – avoid passing judgment on someone else’s idea or ascribing motives to their actions; tell us instead what is important to you, tell us what your interests are
8. **Honor time** – help us all make sure we get through the material and meet our goals

For information regarding SGMA efforts, or to receive emails about future updates on the GSA formation development in the “Fringe Areas,” please visit the County’s SGMA website <http://slocountywater.org/sqma> and sign up with our emailing list for the Santa Maria River Valley Basin.

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September 16, 2016

Submitted via email

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SUBJECT: COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED ADOPTION OF NEW ELAP STANDARDS

To the Members of the State Water Resources Control Board,

On September 6, 2016 the State Board gave notice that it would be holding a workshop on proposed changes to the laboratory accreditation regulations. The deadline for submittal of comments is noon, Friday September 16, 2016. The focus of the proposed changes is the Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program's (ELAP) proposal to use Volume 1 of the NELAC Institute's (TNI) 2016 documents as the basis for laboratory accreditation. The Nipomo Community Services District would like to respectfully submit the following comments to the Board for consideration on this topic.

Extensive Work

California has a substantial number of ELAP accredited laboratories with only part-time or one full time staff member, the Nipomo Community Services District (District) being one of them. It is critical to public health for public agencies that operate water and wastewater systems such as the District to maintain in-house laboratories. The paperwork and documentation requirements alone under TNI would be extremely difficult for a small laboratory to sustain. Burdensome TNI requirements would not necessarily directly relate to better or more reliable data. Many of the requirements are focused on documenting items that are irrelevant to a small water quality laboratory that is supporting the operation of a water and/or wastewater system. Instead, the TNI requirements will lead to an increase in public agencies being unable to certify their own laboratories. Contracting out critical data analysis to outside laboratories leaves a delay in communication of results and will create a disconnect between water/wastewater operators and the laboratory, potentially compromising operational processes and public or environmental health.

Increased Costs

ELAP has already significantly increased their annual fees, and has made it clear that fee increases will continue. Implementing TNI will simply compound the rising budget needs of maintaining a water quality laboratory. For example, the requirement to double the frequency of PT Studies from once per year to twice per year may cause some agencies significant financial

hardship. That does not even take into account the considerable resources that will be required to develop new SOPs, laboratory manuals, laboratory documents and bench sheets. It has been quoted that it could take a year and a half to two years of full-time hours dedicated to getting all of the initial documentation established. Educational and training needs, and associated costs will also increase if TNI is implemented. Small agencies simply do not have the resources or budget to dedicate to such a monumental task, especially since the new standards will not necessarily result in better or more reliable data.

Conflict With ELTAC

On August 24, 2016 the Environmental Laboratory Technical Advisory Committee (ELTAC) voted not to endorse TNI, and instead encouraged a "California Plus" model that would add to and improve current regulations and procedures already in place. ELTAC was under the impression that TNI was no longer being considered as a quality management system by ELAP because they had already realized the excessive cost and resource drain this would cause to water quality laboratories, especially those laboratories with limited staff. It is concerning that ELAP would chose to ignore recommendations made by ELTAC. All communication by ELTAC to the laboratory community indicated that ELAP did not support a full implementation of TNI. Discovering that ELAP had in fact recommended the opposite to the State Water Board does not encourage the laboratory community to believe that their relationship with ELAP is transparent or fair.

TNI Documents Not Public Available

The TNI documents are not publically available. They have to be purchased from TNI for \$130. It seems patently unfair to require the public to purchase documents in order to simply comment on a proposed change to a regulation. This is contrary to past practice where the public has had access to proposed changes in language. It is hard to see how this complies with the intent of the Administrative Procedures Act (APA) which attempts to maximize openness and transparency of the rule making process. Indeed, requiring the purchase of documents would appear to be contrary to the requirements of the APA.

The water quality laboratory community values data integrity and quality. The Nipomo Community Services District is not disagreeing with improving quality management systems, but rather the TNI standard that is being recommended by ELAP. The decision made by the State Water Resources Control Board will have implications for many years to come and will cause a ripple effect in the water quality laboratory community, public health and the environment. The District respectfully encourages that these factors be seriously considered in the decision making process.

Sincerely,

NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT



Peter V. Sevcik, P.E.
Director of Engineering and Operations/Laboratory Director

September 28, 2016

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ATTACHMENT D



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September 16, 2016

Mr. Craig Armstrong
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Re: President's Special Acknowledgement Award - Workers' Compensation Program

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

This letter and enclosed certificate are to formally acknowledge the dedicated efforts of the Nipomo Community Services District's Governing Body, management and staff towards proactive loss prevention and workplace safety for earning the President's Special Acknowledgement Award! The Award is to recognize members with no "paid" claims during the prior **five consecutive program years** in the Workers' Compensation Program.

A "paid" claim for the purposes of this recognition represents the first payment on an open claim during the prior **program year**. Your **agency's efforts** have resulted in no "paid" workers' compensation claims for the prior **5 consecutive program years** including 2015-16. This is an outstanding accomplishment that serves as an example for all SDRMA members!

It is through the efforts of members such as Nipomo Community Services District that SDRMA has been able to continue providing affordable workers' compensation coverage to over 433 public agencies throughout California. While 262 members or 61% in the workers' compensation program had no "paid" claims in program year 2015-16, 131 members or 30% had no paid claims for the prior 5 consecutive years.

In addition to this annual recognition, members with no "paid" claims during 2015-16 earned 2 credit incentive points (CIPs) reducing their annual contribution amount and members with no "paid" claims for the prior 5 consecutive program years earned 3 additional bonus CIPs. Also, members without claims receive a lower "experience modification factor" (EMOD) which also reduces their annual contribution amount.

Included with this letter and certificate is your press release template so your agency may showcase this important accomplishment.

On behalf of the SDRMA Board of Directors and staff, it is my privilege to congratulate your Governing Body, management and staff for your commitment to proactive loss prevention and safety in the workplace.

Sincerely,
Special District Risk Management Authority

David Aranda, President
Board of Directors



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President's Special Acknowledgement Award

THE PRESIDENT OF THE SPECIAL DISTRICT RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
HEREBY GIVES SPECIAL RECOGNITION TO
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David Aranda, SDRMA Board President

September 16, 2016
Date