

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: MICHAEL S. LEBRUN *MSL*
GENERAL MANAGER

DATE: DECEMBER 4, 2015

AGENDA ITEM

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DECEMBER 9, 2015

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

ITEM

Standing report to your Honorable Board -- *Period covered by this report is November 6, 2015 through December 4, 2015.*

DISTRICT BUSINESS

Administrative

- On July 2, 2015, supplemental water deliveries from the City of Santa Maria commenced via the Nipomo-Santa Maria Intertie pipeline. Since that time, an average of 400 gallons of water per minute has been imported. The District is on track to deliver 645 acre feet (210 Million Gallons) of supplemental water this fiscal year.
- On May 20th, the Nipomo Mesa Management Area (NMMA) Technical Group reported the Spring 2015 Key Wells Index is in Severe Shortage conditions. As a result, NMMA public water purveyors (NCSD, Golden State WC, and Woodlands Mutual WC) are required to reduce groundwater production by 30%. All three entities have consistently met this goal since July.
- On May 21st, the District enacted Stage III Shortage conditions and ceased accepting application for new water service.
- Water production in October 2015 was **29% lower** than in October 2013, meeting the State mandated conservation goal of 28%. Groundwater production in October 2015 was **40% lower** than the average for September 2009-2013. See production summary attached to this report.
- 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. During November 2015, staff responded to two reports of water waste.
- In November, staff proactively hung 18 door hangers on accounts where the billing meter read showed irregularly high water usage.
- San Luis Obispo County maintains two rain gauges in the area. One is located at the District's Southland Wastewater Plant (Nipomo South) and one at the District's Tefft Street water storage site (Nipomo East). In the past month, each gauge recorded less than 1 inch of rain. The seasonal rain total for Nipomo South is 1.2 inches. Average for this gauge is 16-inches per year. The seasonal total for Nipomo East is 1.4 inch. Average for Nipomo East is 18-inches per year.
- During November the District issued two leak adjustments totaling \$1,423 in discounts.

Fire Hydrant Metered Use

Fire Hydrant Sales were suspended at the end of May with the exception of construction water for the supplemental water project and limited street sweeping.

In September, 7 units of water were sold from the common hydrant for street sweeping.

Safety Program

- No incidents or accidents 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

The following are included as attachments to this Report:

- SLO County Board of Supervisors December 8, 2015 Agenda
- Perspective of Northern Cities Water Supply – Jim Garing
- Water Agency’s Land Purchase Rattles CA Farmers – Associated Press
- CA Dept. of Water Resources Rebate Information
- CA Urban Water Conservation Council Ballot

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

Nipomo Community Services District
Water and Sewer Connections

END OF MONTH REPORT

	JAN-15	FEB-15	MAR-15	APR-15	MAY-15	JUN-15	JUL-15	AUG-15	SEP-15	OCT-15
Water Connections (Total)	4325	4325	4325	4325	4326	4329	4332	4332	4333	4334
Sewer Connections (Total)	3112	3112	3112	3112	3114	3118	3119	3119	3120	3120
Meters turned off (Non-payment)	13	34	13	21	15	17	11	24	18	14
Meters off (Vacant)	44	39	42	41	41	41	43	40	42	39
Sewer Connections off (Vacant)	15	11	14	12	12	12	14	10	11	10
New Water Connections	0	0	0	0	1	3	3	0	1	1
New Sewer Connection	0	0	0	0	2	4	1	0	1	0
Galaxy & PSHH at Orchard and Division Sewer Connections billed to the County	468	468	468	468	468	468	469	469	469	469

Meetings

Meetings Attended (telephonically or in person):

- *November 9, Ad Hoc GM Hiring Committee*
- *November 10, Director of Engineering Operations*
- *November 10, Blacklake Management Association*
- *November 12, Special Board Meeting*
- *November 12, Utilities Director City of Santa Maria*
- *November 13, Deposition Re: Maria Vista Estates*
- *November 16, Nipomo Mesa Management Area TG*
- *November 17, Management Coordination*
- *November 18, Special Board Meeting*
- *November 18 & December 2, Public Information Director*
- *November 19, SLO County IRWM Workshop*
- *November 20, Interviews*
- *November 20, NMMA Managers*
- *November 23, Interviews*
- *November 24, Finance and Audit Committee*
- *November 30, Board Officers*
- *December 2, Regional Water Management Group*

Meetings Scheduled:

- *December 7, Ad Hoc Committee*
- *December 8 and December 17, Management Coordination*
- *December 9, Regular Board Meeting*
- *December 15, NMMA Technical Group*
- *December 16, Public Outreach Director*

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RECOMMENDATION

Staff seeks direction and input from your Honorable Board

ATTACHMENTS

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- B. Outreach Program Summary
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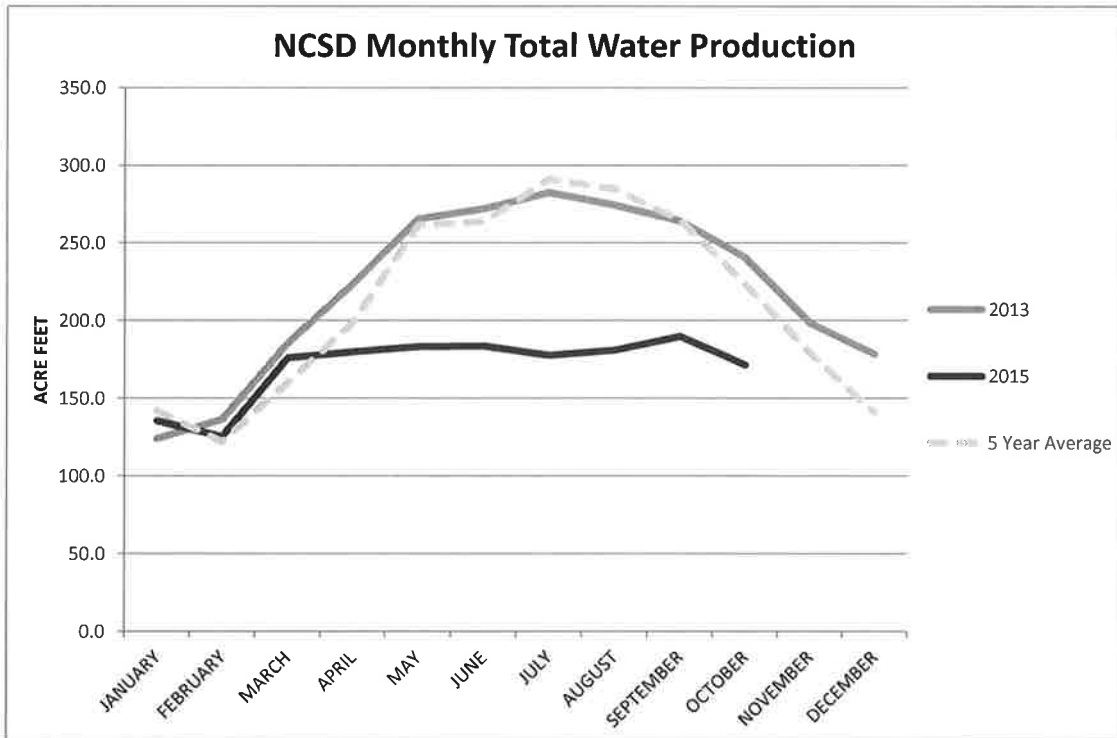
ATTACHMENT A

**NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
WATER PRODUCTION SUMMARY**

	ALL DELIVERED WATER							GW	09-'13	All	Jun-Feb	GW
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2015	5 Year	15 to '13	15 to '13	15 to 5 yr
	AF	AF	AF	AF	AF	AF	AF	AF	Avg.	%	%	%
JANUARY	158.6	124.8	136.5	166.6	124.0	194.8	135.5	135.5	142.1	9.3%		-4.6%
FEBRUARY	105.5	82.9	132.5	152.7	136.3	126.1	125.5	125.5	122.0	-8.0%		2.8%
MARCH	167.0	153.6	130.2	165.6	185.5	148.6	176.1	176.1	160.4	-5.1%		9.8%
APRIL	236.3	168.8	211.4	154.5	224.0	176.8	180.0	180.0	199.0	-19.6%		-9.5%
MAY	279.4	250.8	266.2	246.4	265.4	247.8	183.2	183.2	261.6	-31.0%		-30.0%
JUNE	268.2	286.1	248.5	243.2	272.1	239.5	183.6	183.6	263.6	-32.5%	-32.5%	-30.3%
JULY	308.3	285.0	294.4	285.6	282.4	251.2	177.6	143.5	291.2	-37.1%	-34.9%	-50.7%
AUGUST	302.4	286.6	281.2	279.2	274.4	234.3	180.9	143.5	284.7	-34.1%	-34.6%	-49.6%
SEPTEMBER	280.6	274.5	253.7	250.8	264.0	220.0	189.9	154.0	264.7	-28.1%	-33.0%	-41.8%
OCTOBER	228.1	191.5	223.2	234.5	240.5	213.4	171.5	134.3	223.6	-28.7%	-32.2%	-39.9%
NOVEMBER	220.8	147.1	149.1	180.0	198.4	151.7	0.0	0.0	179.1	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
DECEMBER	142.0	114.0	159.9	112.4	178.5	105.7	0.0	0.0	141.4	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
TOTALS	2697.2	2366	2487	2472	2645	2310	1704	1559	2533			

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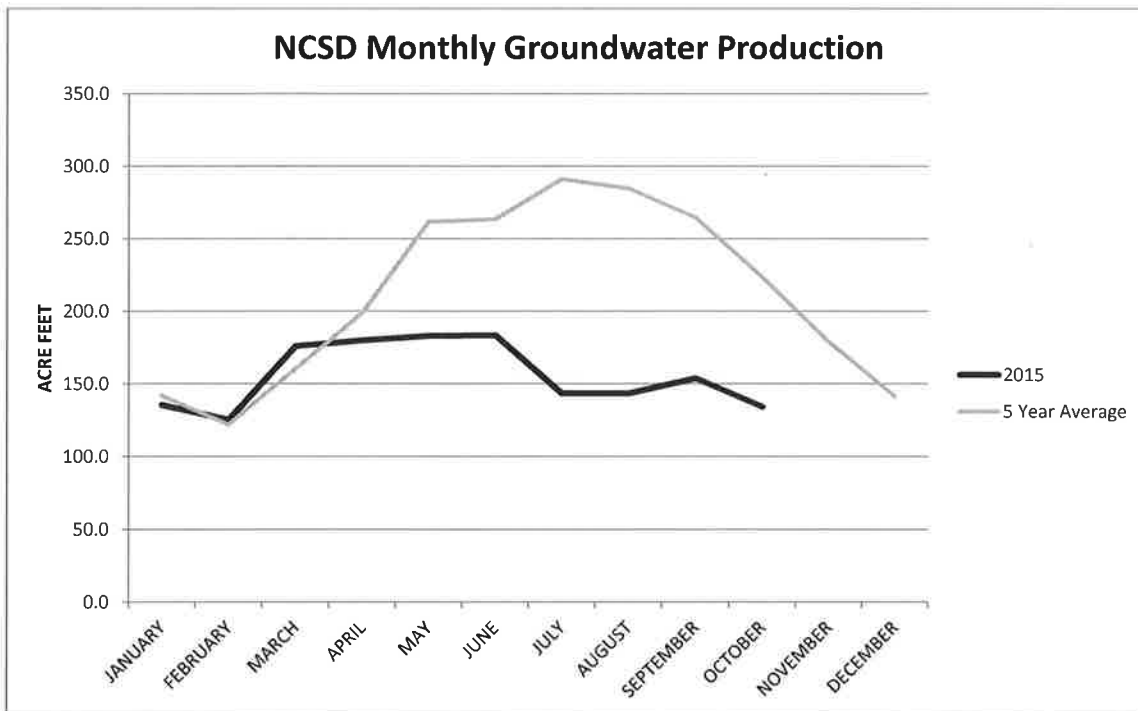
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APRIL	236.3	168.8	211.4	154.5	224.0	176.8	180.0		199.0	623.5	-1.0%
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**NCSO Outreach Summary
December 2015**

Date Started	Outreach	Description	Status	Date Completed
11/9/2015	Ad	Conservation ad in 11/13 Adobe	Complete	11/9/2015
11/9/2015	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	11/9/2015
11/13/2015	Press Release	Strong Conservation Continued in October	Complete	11/16/2015
11/16/2015	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	11/16/2015
11/16/2015	Press Release	NCSO Delivers First Supplemental Water Payment to the City of Santa Maria	Complete	11/17/2015
11/16/2015	Press Release	Sewer Rate Increase for Town Division	Complete	11/17/2015
11/16/2015	Press Release	NCSO Board of Directors Defer Solid Waste Rate Increase	Complete	11/17/2015
11/19/2015	District E-Newsletter	November E-Newsletter regarding District news	Complete	11/20/2015
11/20/2015	Notice	Publishing of Notice for Pre-Qualification of Prime Contractors in Legal section of local newspapers	Complete	11/20/2015
11/23/2015	Ad	Conservation ad in 11/27 Adobe	Complete	11/23/2015
11/23/2015	Chamber Newsletter	Conservation ad for Chamber of Commerce December newsletter	Complete	11/23/2015
11/23/2015	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	11/23/2015
11/20/2015	Manager's Column	Article for Manager's Column in Adobe Press, pub date 12/4	Complete	11/24/2015
11/4/2015	District Newsletter	2015 4th quarter newsletter for December distribution	Complete	11/30/2015
11/10/2015	Partners in Water Conservation SLO County	Attendance of Partners in Water Conservation meeting in SLO	Complete	11/30/2015
11/19/2015	Education	Judging of Science Discovery poster contest submissions; teachers notified	Complete	11/30/2015

**NCSD Outreach Summary
December 2015**

Date Started	Outreach	Description	Status	Date Completed
11/30/2015	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	11/30/2015
11/6/2015	Social Media	Content posting	Complete; Ongoing	12/3/2015
11/6/2015	Website Updates	Home page; minutes; packets; community news; reports; etc	Complete; Ongoing	12/3/2015
11/10/2015	Regional Outreach	Coordination with other county agencies to update waterwise landscaping website	In Progress	
11/24/2015	Education	Partnership with Nipomo Native Garden for conservation education	In Progress	

OPINION

Community Thanksgiving Dinner heralds holidays

In 2009, Ryan Newman, then youth pastor at New Beginnings Community Church, started one of the first community Thanksgiving dinners.

It was his desire to reach out to the homeless population in Nipomo. The church also served some families that were in need of a meal.

For the next couple of years, other churches joined the group and continued to serve families in need.

In 2011, the late Paul Teixeira along with Deb Gaslen, Yvette and Robert Dorado and several others put their resources together, enhanced the Nipomo Community Thanksgiving Dinner and made it a larger, more encompassing community event.

Paul contacted all the service groups, youth organizations, churches and people he knew to organize the event together.

As word of the event spread, more organizations and people became involved and more meals were served.

Today, more than 50 organizations are involved, and last year more than 400 meals were served to people in the community. This year, the



Bits and Pieces of Nipomo
Jacqueline Vitti
Frederick

organizing committee consists of Gaslen, Mary Squellati, Leon Leomas, Bob Schumacher, Jim Harrison, Richard Malvarose, Rudy and Kat Stowell and Amber Wilson.

They voted to dedicate the 2015 event to Paul Teixeira, naming it "The Paul Teixeira Community Thanksgiving" to honor his efforts in bringing together this wonderful gathering.

Please join us from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church Parish Hall, 298 S. Thompson Ave.

If you are interested in volunteering, contact Gaslen at 598-6083.

The Nipomo Food Basket is accepting donations of money and

nonperishable food items to help local families in need this holiday season.

Donations can be brought to the community Thanksgiving dinner or dropped off at the office on West Tritt and South Mallagh streets in Olde Towne.

The Nipomo Chamber of Commerce's November luncheon will be held from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, at Blacklake Golf Resort.

The featured speaker will be 4th District Supervisor Lynn Compton providing a district update, and the lunch menu will be a traditional Thanksgiving meal.

Make reservations by contacting Amber at 925-1553.

Bruno's Greenhouse in Olde Towne Nipomo plans to host classes on such creative Christmas decorating as a hand-painted signpost made from a reclaimed fence board and letters traced from stencils.

Add your personal touch, and you've created a one-of-a-kind piece perfect for the holidays.

The class has limited space and costs only \$25. You don't need to bring anything.

Other holiday events are also planned at Bruno's.

The schedule includes: Nov. 14, 10 a.m., create Holiday Sign Post; Nov. 21, 10 a.m., create Holiday Succulent Wreath; Dec. 3, 3 to 5:30 p.m., pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus; and Dec. 5, 10 a.m., create Mixed-Media Canvas Print.

Also on the schedule: Dec. 8, 3 to 5:30 p.m., Santa Paws, pictures with Santa and pets; Dec. 10, 3 to 5:30 p.m., pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus; Dec. 15, 3:30 to 5 p.m., Storytime with Santa; Dec. 17, 3 to 5:30 p.m., pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus; and Dec. 18, 5:30 to 7 p.m., Holiday Open House.

Jacqueline Frederick is a lawyer and former in Nipomo and can be reached at jfrederick@npsd.com or 925-3120.

KRANKY



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Research on rail project flawed

A writer has taken the time to do his own research, and he's for the Phillips 66 Rail Terminal Project.

My question is, what did he research? Did he research the 11 Class 1 impacts in the environmental impact report that cannot be mitigated and five that relate specifically to air quality and toxic diesel emissions within the refinery and along the mainline of the Union Pacific Railroad?

Any one of those would be sufficient to deny the project, but 11 such impacts should be enough to cause a modicum of concern.

He continues that trains currently transport crude through the county, but it's not the highly volatile and toxic tar sands that Phillips proposes.

And his argument is rather specious when he says we already have hazardous material coming through the county. So why add more risk?

Now Phillips laments it is at half-capacity because its pipeline is down. Well, Phillips contracted with Plains and should have been more diligent about the partnership's attention to pipeline safety.

So because of the company's bad business decision, it wants to inflict this

odious project not only on the Mesa but also along the mainline of every coastal city the Union Pacific tracks pass through.

What's more, it's not an extension; it's an active rail terminal project that would consume 27 acres of what is now a panoramic vista with five trucks unloading 1 million gallons of crude each day for more than 12 hours with diesel emissions and fugitive vapors in a highly concentrated area.

This is a health and public safety issue that will impact the area for the life of the project of 20, 30, 40 years ... seemingly forever.

Ariene Carol
K200

The whispering sound of progress

The Phillips 66 refinery near Santa Maria is a small facility located on the Mesa that has been a good neighbor for 60 years. The company owns 1,780 acres of land but only use a very small portion of it.

Refineries intentionally purchase large plots of land to provide a buffer between them and the surrounding community.

This adds additional annual taxation cost but aids them from impacting the surrounding community. This is part of the philosophy of being a good neighbor.

The refinery gives back

to the community and is a major source of tax revenue for the Central Coast and the state of California.

It provides permanent employment for approximately 200 local residents and, during maintenance periods, employment for an additional 300 temporary employees.

Those individuals spend their income at the hotels, restaurants, vineyards and various businesses here on the Central Coast.

The refinery wants to add additional railroad tracks on its own property to facilitate delivery of crude oil by rail. The practice is currently being done in other states on the East Coast, Gulf Coast and West Coast. It's been proven that it can be done safely and efficiently.

The company does not own the pipeline or oil fields, as some opponents falsely imply. The company buys crude oil from local producers shipped by pipeline and wants to be able to be able to receive it by rail car.

There are no railroad tracks that cross the ocean, so it's obvious the crude oil is domestic and not foreign, as the opposition implies.

The days of the Pony Express are long gone. That whispering sound you hear is called progress.

Marcus Beal
P810 BEACH

RUBES



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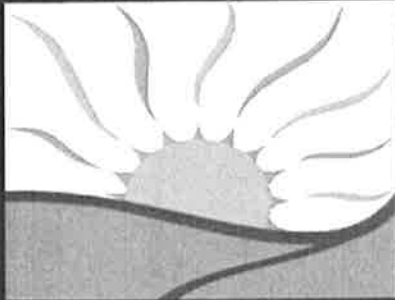
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Nipomo
CHAMBER OF
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Richard Malvarose
Chamber President
Nipomo Properties

Thursday News

November 12, 2015

Chamber Hours

Monday through Friday
9 am to 5 pm

239 W. Tefft St.
Nipomo, CA 93444

Office: 805.929.1583

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Nipomo Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Sunday - November 23, 2014
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

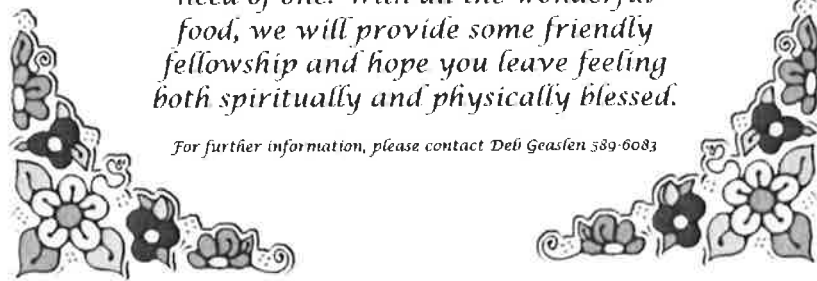


St. Joseph Parish Hall
298 S. Thompson Rd - Nipomo

Give Thanks

Our desire is to provide a traditional home cooked Thanksgiving meal for individuals and families who are in need of one. With all the wonderful food, we will provide some friendly fellowship and hope you leave feeling both spiritually and physically blessed.

For further information, please contact Deb Geasen 589-6083



Community Health Centers

Nipomo Recreation

Wells Fargo Bank

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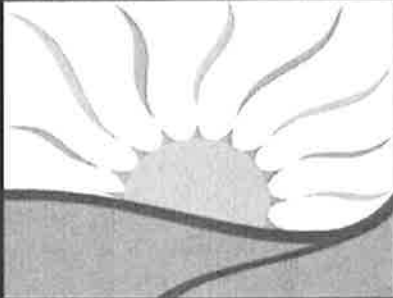
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CHAMBER OF
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Richard Malvarose
Chamber President
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Monday News

November 16, 2015

Nipomo Chamber of Commerce

November 19th
Luncheon

District 4 Supervisor
Lynn Compton

Blacklake Golf Resort
1490 Golf Course Ln
11:45-1:00pm

Chamber Hours

Monday through Friday
9 am to 5 pm

239 W. Tefft St.
Nipomo, CA 93444

Office: 805.929.1583
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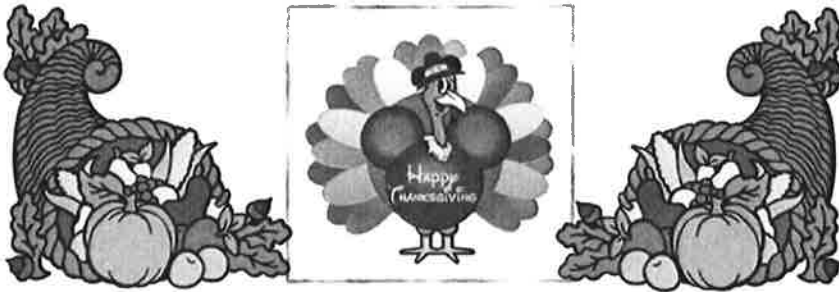


Sunday -November 22, 2015

Starting at 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

St. Joseph Church
298 S. Thompson Rd, Nipomo

For more information contact
Deb Geaslen (805) 598-6083



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Forward

First Payment For Supplemental Water

Nipomo CSD recently hand-delivered the first payment for supplemental water to the City of Santa Maria

On Thursday, November 12th District General Manager, Michael LeBrun, and Finance Director, Lisa Bognuda, hand-delivered the first payment for Supplemental Water to the City of Santa Maria.

The long-awaited supplemental water from Santa Maria arrived in Nipomo in July with water deliveries commencing on July 2, 2015. To date, over 145 acre feet (or 47 million gallons) of water have been delivered – which also means 47 million gallons LESS water has been pumped from the troubled groundwater basin underlying the Nipomo Mesa.

[Read more](#)

NCS General Manager, Michael LeBrun hands City of Santa Maria Utilities Director, Shad Springer the first payment for supplemental water

Strong Conservation Continued in October

The District's conservation efforts remain strong and exceed the State's mandated 28% reduction.

In October, the District produced 171 acre feet or about 55 Million gallons of water to meet customer demand. This equates to a 28.7% reduction in overall production compared to October 2013. Additionally, thanks to the arrival of supplemental water in July, groundwater pumping during October was 40% lower than the 5-year average for October.

[Read more](#)

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Nipomo Community Services District

Rate Changes



Reminder: Scheduled Water Rate Increase November 1st

In 2011, the Board of Directors approved a water rate increase schedule effective each November 1st for five years. The last of the scheduled water rate increases went into effect on November 1, 2015 and customers will see the increase beginning with their January/February bill for water use in November and December.



Town Sewer Rate Increase January 1st

A rate increase for sewer customers in the Town Division was approved by the Board of Directors at its November 12, 2015 Special Meeting. Single family residential dwellings, which represent over 97% of the customer accounts, can expect to see an increase of \$0.305 (thirty cents) monthly or \$0.61 per bi-monthly billing period. The rate increase goes into effect January 1, 2016 and customers will see the increase beginning with their March/April sewer bill.

Rebates Available

NCSD

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Sunday -November 22, 2015

Starting at 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

St. Joseph Church
298 S. Thompson Rd, Nipomo

For more information contact
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**Nipomo Community Services District
Supplemental Water Project
Joshua Road Pump Station Reservoir**

**Notice Inviting Applications for Pre-Qualification of Prime Contractors and
Selected Subcontractors (Reservoir Constructor)**

Notice is hereby given that the Nipomo Community Services District ("DISTRICT") has determined that all Prime Contractors and specified Subcontractors (Reservoir Constructors and Reservoir Prestressors) interested in bidding on the contract to construct the Supplemental Water Project Joshua Road Pump Station Reservoir ("Project") must be pre-qualified pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 20101 prior to submitting a Bid on the Project. All Contractors who intend to submit a Bid for this project ("Prospective Bidders"), must fully complete the pre-qualification application package ("Pre-Qualification Package"), including but not limited to the Pre-Qualification Questionnaire ("Questionnaire"), provide all materials requested herein, and be deemed pre-qualified by DISTRICT. The final list of pre-qualified Prime Contractors and Subcontractors will be issued following evaluation of the Pre-Qualification Packages.

STATEMENTS OF PRE-QUALIFICATION: Prospective Bidders must submit one (1) original and three (3) copies of the PRE-QUALIFICATION package, as well as one (1) complete electronic copy, compiled in one PDF file, on a CD, to the Nipomo Community Services District at its office located at 148 South Wilson Street, Nipomo, CA 93444 by 2 PM, local time, on December 22, 2015.

The main features of the Project include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Partially buried 500,000 gallon circular AWWA D110 Type I circumferentially strand wrapped prestressed concrete reservoir
- 120 LF +/- of 24-inch ductile iron pipe, valves and fittings
- Electrical, instrumentation, and controls improvements
- Site grading, aggregate road and fencing

In addition to the main features listed above, construction of the Project must be coordinated with the DISTRICT to maintain operation of the existing DISTRICT-operated Joshua Road Pump Station, which is located adjacent to the reservoir site. The estimated project cost is in the \$2,500,000 range. The anticipated schedule includes bidding in January 2016 and award of contract in March 2016.

Prime Contractors seeking "pre-qualification" shall have a Class A (General Engineering) California contractor's license. Subcontractors who will perform reservoir construction and reservoir prestressing work must also be pre-qualified, and shall have the California contractor's license appropriate to their work.

The DISTRICT reserves the right to waive minor irregularities and omissions in the information contained in a Pre-Qualification Package submittal and to make all final determinations. The

DISTRICT may refuse to grant pre-qualification where the requested information and materials are not provided. There is no appeal from the DISTRICT's decision not to pre-qualify a Prospective Bidder due to an incomplete or late application.

Copies of the Pre-Qualification Package can be obtained from ASAP Reprographics, 495 Morro Bay Blvd., Morro Bay, CA 93442, Attn: Vicki (Phone 805-772-6921). The Pre-Qualification Package and the document holder list may be viewed online at www.asapreprographics.com. For technical questions on the pre-qualification package, contact Tyler Hunt, P.E., AECOM, at tyler.hunt@aecom.com or (805) 938-5364.

*BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
Nipomo Community Services District*

*11/20/2015
Dated*

*Michael S. LeBrun, PE
General Manager*

OPINION

Proof that Nipomo is a truly special town

Nipomo is truly a special little town, and it always has been. This past weekend was a perfect example of how the people who live here repeatedly come together to make this a very special place.

Living here you know most of the wonderful things that have happened here have been the result of individuals making a decision to make a positive difference. Let's start with the Dana Adobe, a treasure not only in our town but also in the state of California.

This past week, volunteers for the Dana Adobe went to Sacramento to receive an incredible award, the Governor's Award for Historic Preservation for the restoration of this important part of early California history.

I remember well when the Dana Adobe was falling apart and was determined to be unsalvageable. A few local people were determined not to be deterred by the challenge.

On Nov. 30, from 2 to 3 p.m., the community will have the opportunity to celebrate the state's acknowledgement of the preservation of one of the



Bits and Pieces of Nipomo
Jacqueline Vitti
Frederick

original California adobe houses and home to the family who at one time owned all of Nipomo.

On Saturday, the people of Nipomo came together to launch the holiday season with the inaugural **Holiday Street Faire**. Close to 50 vendors and business owners were there greeting old friends, making new friends and selling their hand-crafted items.

It was such a fun day, and there were so many local home-based businesses selling such items as old-wood art, beautiful

jewelry, essential oils, fused-glass art pieces, fairy dresses and so much more.

It was such a pleasure just celebrating the season with friends and neighbors. The next day, many of the same volunteers who helped Saturday, together with an additional 100 volunteers, got together and cooked, prepared and served around 500 Thanksgiving dinners, a tradition started by Paul Teixeira and carried on in his name.

And across town, there was a small group of people who got together to raise money for a local resident suffering from a rare disease for which health insurance does not cover all the medical expenses. I love living in Nipomo.

The next community holiday event is coming up Saturday, Dec. 19, with Christmas in Olde Towne Nipomo.

This tradition has been going on since about 1996. It started in its early years at the Frederick Law Firm property, where there was a huge pine tree decorated by the Frederick boys with lights and a large star on top.

As the celebration grew, it was later moved to the Nipomo Men's Club and now is held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church Parish Hall.

But the tradition remains the same, beginning at 5 p.m. with a Christmas parade through Olde Towne, a visit from dear old Santa, alias Jim Tefft, entertainment, refreshments, Christmas carols and holiday decorating and storytelling.

This is a free, wonderful family event that is not to be missed.

This Sunday, Nov. 29, everyone is invited to meet at 8 a.m. at the Frederick Law Firm to spend a couple of hours trimming and sprucing up the hanging flower baskets in Old Towne.

We have much to be thankful for in our town. Happy Thanksgiving!

Jacqueline Frederick is a lawyer and farmer in Nipomo and can be reached at jfvitti@aol.com or 929-1120.

KRANKY



Letters to the editor

Religious symbol ruins place of beauty

I enjoy hiking on Ontario Ridge every other day. It is a magnificent, wide-open space we can all share in peace.

Unfortunately, someone has placed a huge religious symbol, a cross, right on the top of the mountain.

A plaque under the cross incites people "to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you."

I sent having to look at this display of religious fanaticism every time I hike up there. Religious fanaticism, of all denominations, breeds discord and resentment.

People have fought and are still fighting in the name of their religion. Therefore, religious beliefs must be kept private.

Please, remove the cross from the top of Ontario Ridge before someone else does it in anger. Display it, if you must, in your front yard.

The view and the trail on Ontario Ridge don't belong to you alone but to all of us. We all have the right to a peaceful, fanaticism-free hike.
Lucia Gasalinova
OCESNO

Doctors too quick to prescribe drugs

Doctors should not be so quick to prescribe pharmaceuticals to patients. Instead, they should educate them about prevention and natural cures and remedies for illness, pain or discomfort.

Most doctors do not ask enough questions to see if the problem is serious enough for medication. Doctors tend to not hear the patient's full concern before opting for a quick solution.

People tend to think pharmaceutical drugs are safe because they are legal, which is far from true. Some are addictive. Taking too many drugs, for example, can cause an overdose or death.

According to the Daily

Beast, "More than 100 people die each day in the U.S. because of prescription drugs."

Pharmaceutical drugs have also been known to cause liver damage, depression, suicidal thoughts and overdose. This does not sound natural or helpful. This sounds scary.

Doctors should become more personal and care for their patients' well-being and mental health by taking the time to get to know them, listen to their concerns and, most of all, teach their patients about prevention.

Although there are some cases where medication is truly needed and can serve a great benefit to the patient's life, doctors are prescribing pharmaceuticals too often.

Doctors should first emphasize the importance of using natural remedies such as aromatherapy, acupuncture, exercise, herbs, teas, eating healthy, supplements, breathing techniques and others.

Yolanda Sanchez
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November Edition 2015



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Executive Director

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

If you are community minded then the month of November is definitely going to be one of your favorites. This month alone we have a Veterans Awareness Rucksack March, Veteran's Day Celebration, the first ever Holiday Street Faire, the Nipomo Community Thanksgiving celebration and many other things to get involved in. We're always on the lookout for some of the fine people who help make up our little slice of Unincorporated Heaven so if you feel the need to volunteer please give the Chamber a call.

Respectfully,
Richard Malvarose

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Another great day



NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT



Nipomo Community Services District customers are commended for ending the summer strong. The state assigned the district a conservation goal of 28 percent.

Then, in May of this year, the district's board of directors declared a Stage 3 water shortage in accordance with its Water Shortage Response and Management Plan, urging all customers to reduce their water use with the goal of lowering districtwide demand by 30 percent.

NCSO customers exceeded that goal. For the period of June to September, districtwide pumping was down an average of 32.9 percent. Great job.

Since the NCSO began importing water July 2, district groundwater pumping is down nearly 50 percent over previous years.

You may recall seeing banners around town and information items in your mail as the district actively promoted water conservation through our "Brown Is the New Green" campaign, and it has shown to be effective.

Thank you to the many district customers who took a conservation leap and "browned out" their lawns this summer.

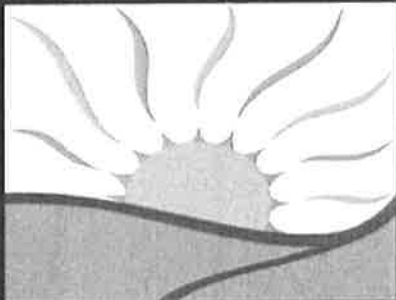
Water conservation continues to be vital to our area, and there are several ways to reduce your use indoors and outdoors. As many know, the largest water consumption is outside, where landscaping is being excessively watered.

As we approach winter months — and, hopefully, they're wet ones — remember to turn down that irrigation. You can see some significant water savings by simply turning it down or off altogether.

The district's website and social media sites also provide helpful tips and resources. We encourage you to visit our website at www.ncsd.ca.gov.

Jessica Matson

From: Nipomo Chamber of Commerce <info@nipomochamber.org>
Sent: Tuesday, December 01, 2015 2:42 PM
To: Jessica Matson
Subject: Tuesday News - December 1, 2015



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Richard Malvarose
Chamber President
Nipomo Properties

Tuesday News

December 1, 2015

Nipomo Chamber of Commerce

December 10th
Mixer

American Cancer Society
1540 W. Branch St.
Arroyo Grande

5:00-7:00pm

Chamber Hours

Monday through Friday
9 am to 5 pm

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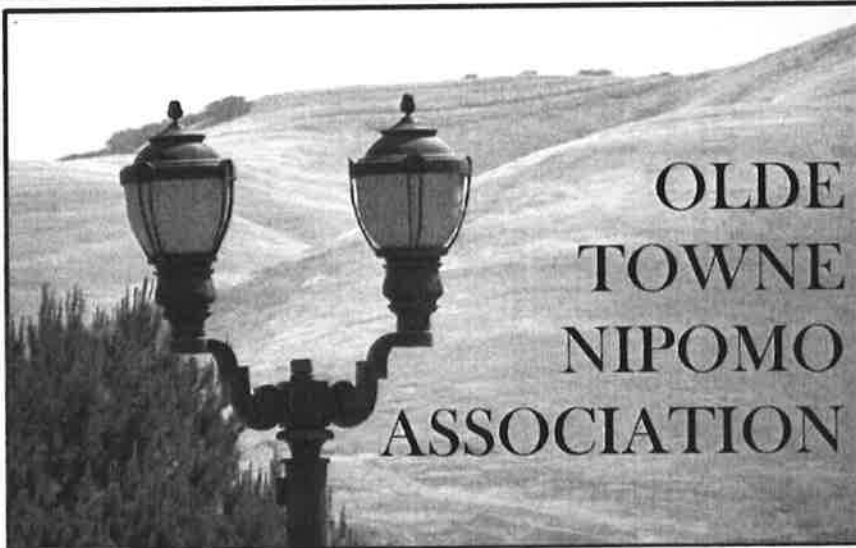
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Want to get involved?

*Group meets the first Wednesday of each month at the
Nipomo Chamber of Commerce*

11:30am

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OTNA's Non Profit Group of Nipomo residents, business

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Peter Sevcik, *Director of Engineering and Operations*
Jessica Matson, *Public Information Director*

Our Website Has Resources for You

CONSERVATION TIPS

The District's website provides tips on how to reduce water use at home. Visit www.ncsd.ca.gov and click on the "Conservation" quick link in the upper right of the home page.

SIGN UP FOR NEWS AND ALERTS

Sign up on our website to receive meeting, news, and emergency notifications from the District.

YOU CAN ALSO CALL OR EMAIL ANY TIME

As always, if you have any questions, concerns, or feedback, we want to hear from you. Feel free to contact us at info@ncsd.ca.gov or at 805-929-1133.

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Around-the-Clock Service

District professionals provide customers with quality services 24/7

The Nipomo Community Services District's mission is to provide its customers with reliable, quality, and cost-effective services now and in the future.

The District currently has 11 Operations staff who operate one water system with 5 production wells and a pump station as well as two sewer systems - one serving the Town Division and one serving the Blacklake Division.

Our water and wastewater (sewer) professionals maintain, treat, and test the systems ensuring quality services are delivered to your home or business. All Operations staff are certified in their field and are dedicated to providing reliable, quality services.

On-call personnel are available to handle emergencies after hours 7 days a week.



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Commitment to Excellence - Around the Clock Service

General Manager Announces Retirement



District General Manager, Michael LeBrun, announced his resignation at the September 9th Regular Board meeting in accordance with his contract. The District's Board of Directors accepted Mr. LeBrun's resignation and formed an ad-hoc committee to lead recruitment of a new General Manager.

LeBrun has served as General Manager and Interim General Manager for the District for 9 years. Under his leadership the District received recognitions including the California Special District Association's (CSDA) District Transparency Certificate of Excellence (2 terms) and the Government Finance Officers Association Award for Financial Reporting (2 years). Mr. LeBrun was instrumental in the completion of several capital projects as well as the District's largest projects - a \$13M upgrade to the Southland Wastewater Treatment and Reclamation Facility, and the historic \$17.5M Nipomo Supplemental Water Project. Mr. LeBrun also led the adoption of the District's Water Shortage Response and Management Plan and outreach program which resulted in water conservation of up to 37% District-wide.

LeBrun's announcement was long-planned and his retirement is well-deserved.


Michael LeBrun stated, "While we have overcome significant hurdles to accomplish a number of projects that will serve this community for generations to come, my proudest accomplishment is the staff team we have assembled. Without exception, District staff is dedicated professionals who come to work each day committed to provide excellent service to our customers. I will miss many things about this job, none more than the people I work with."

Recruitment for a new General Manager began in October with placement planned for early 2016. LeBrun will be assisting in recruitment and transition and will remain with the District until the new General Manager is in place.

FINALLY, Some Rain!
Turn your irrigation down or off from now until late spring.
Most landscapes require little or no water in the winter.

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Nipomo Community Services District

'Gold Star' for a Summer of Brown

District customers are commended for ending the summer strong!

The State assigned the District a conservation goal of 28% and customers exceeded this goal! For the period of June - September, pumping was down an average of 32.9%. Great job!

As we approach fall and winter months - and hopefully they're wet ones - remember to turn down that irrigation. The District is still in Stage III of its drought response and will remain so until at least late spring/early summer of next year when area key wells are measured.

As always, saving water also saves money!

Shut Off Irrigation for the Next Few Months

Cooler temperatures and moisture in the air mean less water is needed for your landscape. Shutting off outdoor irrigation through spring will:

- Help conserve our precious water resources
- Save some money on your water bill
- Protect landscapes from overwatering

A Commitment to Excellence - District Highlights

In accordance with our mission, the District is committed to providing excellence service. Below are two recent recognitions we are proud to have received:

District Transparency Certificate of Excellence

In September, Vice President Dan Allen Gaddis accepted the Special District Leadership Foundation's District Transparency Certificate of Excellence award on behalf of the District. This is the second time the District has received the award which recognizes District efforts to promote transparency and good governance. In order to receive the award, a district must have an active public outreach program and demonstrate the completion of eight essential governance transparency requirements as well as fifteen website requirements.



Outstanding Civil Engineer in the Public Sector

On October 3rd, the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), Los Angeles Section awarded District Director of Engineering & Operations, Peter Sevcik, the prestigious "Outstanding Civil Engineer in the Public Sector" award for 2015.

Mr. Sevcik is a registered Professional Engineer (P.E.) in the State of California with 25 years of experience in wastewater and water including project management, construction management, design, planning, operations, and maintenance. Mr. Sevcik has been instrumental in bringing more than \$30M in public works projects from concept to completion in his eight years with Nipomo Community Services District - one of the most notable being the Nipomo Supplemental Water Project which connected a pipeline and imported water from the City of Santa Maria to the Nipomo Mesa.



The Los Angeles Section of ASCE includes most all of Southern CA, meaning Mr. Sevcik competed against engineers from some large agencies in Los Angeles and Orange Counties, making this honor especially noteworthy. Mr. Sevcik is now being considered for "Outstanding Civil Engineer in the Public Sector" for all of California.

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in honor of the late 4th District Supervisor and Rotary Club President Paul Teixeira.

The official groundbreaking ceremony will take place at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 9.

Funding for the development of the **Paul Teixeira Rotary Bandstand** have come through community donations.

A parade of Santa and his elves will bring music and cheer to local neighborhoods at 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19, to launch the 19th annual **Olde Towne Nipomo Christmas**.

It's a lot of fun to watch the children run out of their homes to see Santa in his elaborate sleigh and get a candy cane treat.

The public is invited to follow Santa to St. Joseph's Catholic Church Parish Hall, where refreshments, holiday decorating, entertainment, food, Christmas caroling and more will take place.

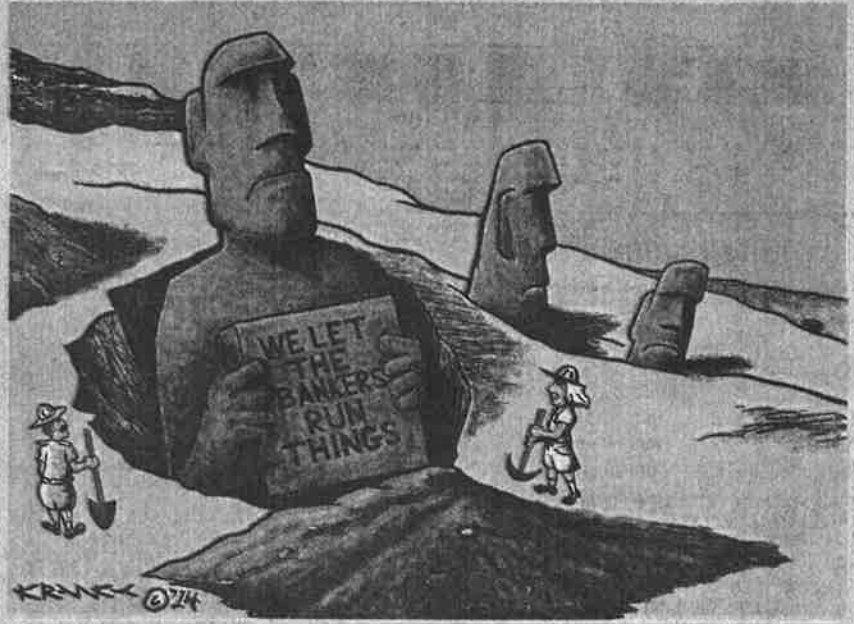
The event sponsored and organized by the Olde Towne Nipomo Association is especially wonderful for children and an opportunity to take photos of them with Mr. and Mrs. Claus.

The **Yoga Shack** of Nipomo will host a Thai Yoga Therapy Weekend workshop with Lori Anderson, a certified Thai yoga therapist, from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 5 and 6.

In the workshop, you will learn a safe and effective Thai yoga therapy sequence to share with your friends and loved ones, including how to open energy lines to relieve aches and pains and induce an overall feeling of relaxation and well-being.

The techniques, practices, philosophy and approach of this therapy

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It's time to prepare for rdains

Depending on where you live, Nipomo Valley or Nipomo Mesa, your preparation for winter rains may vary significantly.

Nipomo Valley soils are generally heavy clays that are slow to drain, while the Mesa is an old sand dune and drains very quickly. Each soil condition has its benefits and challenges when it comes to winter rains.

The Valley is prone to flooding, and residents in low-lying areas and near creek channels need to take extra precaution and preparedness. Clear minor drainage ways and have sandbags filled and ready to go.

Sand bags are available for free to all Nipomo Community Services District customers — come by the district office at 148 S. Wilson St. during normal working hours.

On the Mesa, soils erode very quickly when exposed to concentrated water flow. Drainage from streets, rooftops and other impervious surfaces must



Inside NCS D
Michael LeBrun

be carefully directed away from foundations and off native slopes.

Sand bags can help divert flows. Mulching with wood chips and straw can also help to reduce the water's energy and prevent erosion.

Fortunately, most all the rain that falls in our area is eventually captured to replenish our local groundwater basin.

On the Mesa, that capture happens more readily in the numerous storm-water basins and low areas among the naturally rolling and porous dune surface.

In the Valley, storm-water quickly reaches creek tributaries and the main stem of Nipomo Creek, and from there, the water is conveyed southward toward the Santa Maria River.

In rare instances, the Santa Maria River flows through to the Pacific Ocean; but most often, Nipomo Creek surface water is "swallowed up" by the sandy bottom of the normally dry river bed.

Let's prepare our community for winter rains so we can enjoy and appreciate that natural bounty when it arrives.

As always, if you have any questions, concerns or feedback, we want to hear from you. Feel free to contact us at info@ncsd.ca.gov.

Michael LeBrun is the general manager of the Nipomo Community Services District. He can be reached by calling 929-1133 or by email at info@ncsd.ca.gov. For more information, visit <http://nipomocsd.com>. Follow NCS D on Facebook or on Twitter @NipomoCSD.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: November 16, 2015
Contact: Michael S. LeBrun, General Manager
Nipomo Community Services District
148 S. Wilson St., Nipomo, CA 93444
Phone: (805) 929-1133 – Email: mlebrun@ncsd.ca.gov



Strong Conservation Continued in October

The District's conservation efforts remain strong and exceed the State's mandated 28% reduction.

In October, the District produced 171 acre feet or about 55 Million gallons of water to meet customer demand. This equates to a 28.7% reduction in overall production compared to October 2013. Additionally, thanks to the arrival of supplemental water in July, groundwater pumping during October was 40% lower than the 5-year average for October.

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NCSD Delivers First Supplemental Water Payment to the City of Santa Maria

On Thursday, November 12th District General Manager, Michael LeBrun, and Finance Director, Lisa Bognuda, hand-delivered the first payment for Supplemental Water to the City of Santa Maria.

The long-awaited supplemental water from Santa Maria arrived in Nipomo in July with water deliveries commencing on July 2, 2015. To date, over 145 acre feet (or 47 million gallons) of water have been delivered – which also means 47 million gallons LESS water has been pumped from the troubled groundwater basin underlying the Nipomo Mesa.

This \$17million supplemental water project is the largest and most important in the District's 50 year history and provides the first ever supplemental source of water to the Nipomo area.

At its November 12th Special Meeting the Board of Directors adopted a supplemental water rate schedule for purveyor customers, Golden State Water Company (who recently purchased Rural Water Company) and Woodlands Mutual Water Company.

"Supplementing our groundwater supply significantly improves the long-term reliability of the District's water supply. With our local groundwater basin at its lowest recorded level in history, the supplemental supply is a welcome addition," said District General Manager, Michael LeBrun.

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Sewer Rate Increase for Town Division

On Thursday, November 12th, the District's Board of Directors conducted a protest hearing and, after an unsuccessful protest, adopted a 3.2% sewer rate increase for the Town Division.

Fourteen customers sent in written protests opposing the increase. No members of the public spoke on the issue at the public hearing.

The 5-year schedule of 3.2% increases is the first rate increase in the Town Sewer since 2009. In 2013, the District completed a \$12M rebuild of the Southland Wastewater Treatment and Reclamation Facility which serves the Town Sewer system. The increase in revenue will offset increases in the cost of staffing, operation and maintenance of the new advanced treatment facility as well as inflationary factors.

Single family residential dwellings, which represent over 97% of the customer accounts, can expect to see an increase of \$0.305 (thirty cents) monthly or \$0.61 per bi-monthly billing period. The rate increase goes into effect January 1, 2016 and customers will see the increase beginning with their March/April sewer bill.

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NCSD Board of Directors Defer Solid Waste Rate Increase

On Thursday, November 12th, the District’s Board of Directors held a special meeting at 9AM and adopted a Resolution approving a 2.99% decrease in the District’s solid waste franchise fee. The Board lowered the Franchise Fee to prevent NCSD customers from seeing the garbage rate hike the rest of South County residents will experience.

South County Sanitary Services (SCSS) provides solid waste collection services to District customers under a franchise agreement with the District. Under the agreement, the District is required to administer annual lien process for the collection of delinquent solid waste payments and administer rate proceedings.

The Board also extended its Franchise Agreement at SCSS’s request in order to facilitate a planned 'organics management' program.

General Manager, Michael LeBrun, stated “The Board of Directors is compassionate about keeping cost of services to District customers equitable and reasonable. Most south county public agencies are collecting a 10% franchise fee. With the recent action by the Board, NCSD’s franchise fee is 5.14%.”

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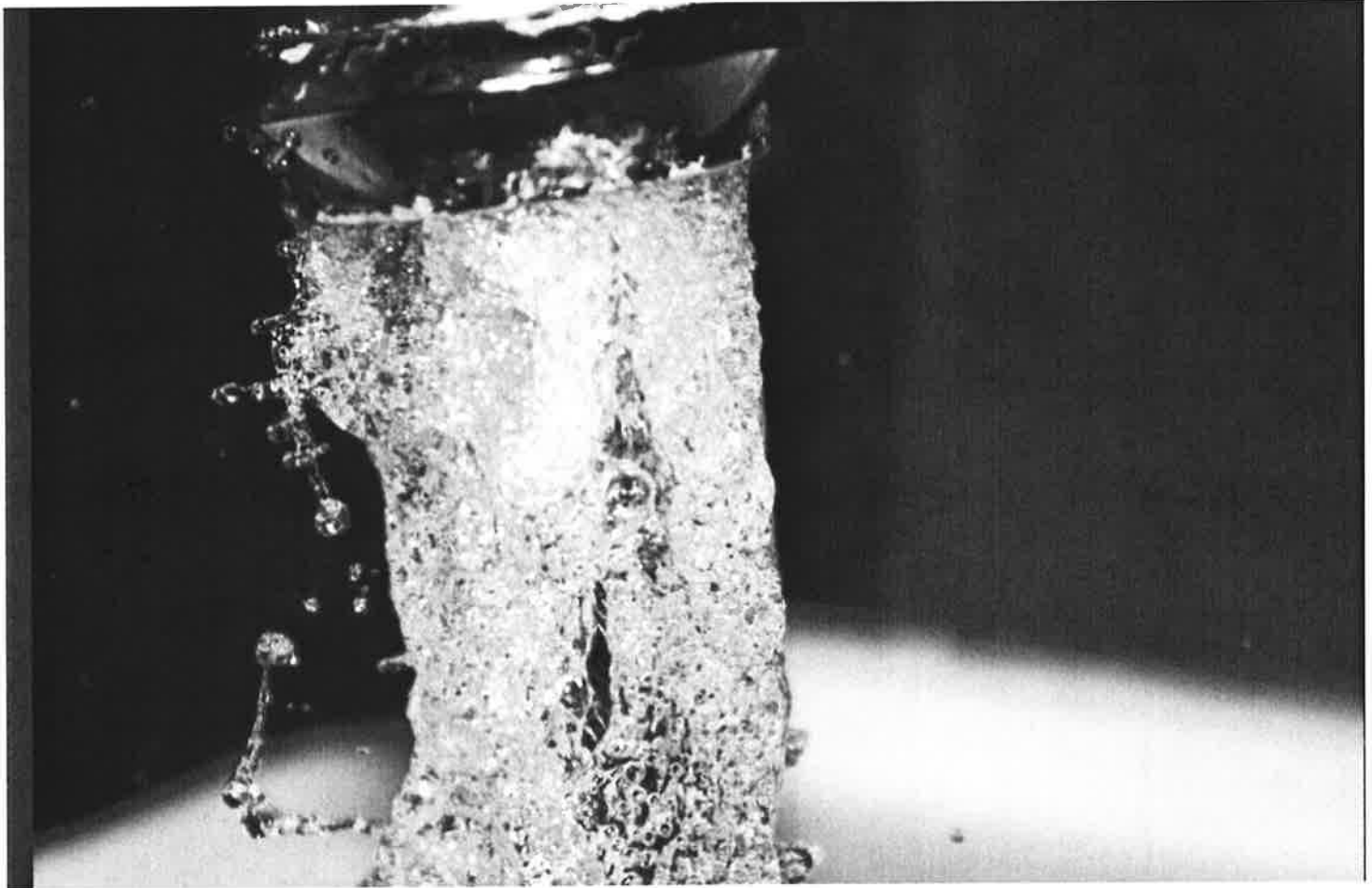
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Water savings down across California during October

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By Norman Tucker



Searing 90-degree temperatures in October left many Californians craving water like never before.

Water officials said they expected the rate to drop off some because fall weather requires less outdoor watering and therefore fewer opportunities to cut back. "When I saw 22.2 [percent] I was relieved because I thought that, especially since it was hot, it indicated continuous, conscious effort on the part of Californians", water board chair Felicia Marcus said. "And then El Niño is still a prediction, particularly up north where we need it most and where we really need snow".

However, thanks to significant savings during the first four months of the conservation program, many water districts and the overall state still have a cushion.

Galt is right in line with most of California's 411 urban water suppliers, which between June and September reduced water use by more than 28 percent compared to the same months in 2013.

In his April 1 Executive Order, Gov. Brown mandated a 25 percent water use reduction for cities and towns across California.

Average residential water use in the county ranged from 47.8 gallons per person per day in the Cambria Community Services District to 119.6 gallons per person per day in the Nipomo Community Services District.

The State Water Resource Control Board reported Tuesday that cities throughout the state saved 22 percent in October.

Reservoir levels across the state remain low, which is why the state's Department of Water Resources announced Tuesday that initial State Water Project allocations will amount to 10 percent of what water districts in central and Southern California requested.

For June through October, the cumulative statewide reduction was 27.1 percent, compared with the same months in 2013. In

September, the city saved 31.7 percent, three percent below the 35 percent reduction goal set by the city for that month. But one good winter might not be enough to rehydrate the parched state that has endured four bruising years of drought. November water conservation numbers for Long Beach should be released this week.

Modesto, Oakdale, Turlock and Riverbank missed their water-savings mandates, but Patterson and Ceres exceeded theirs.

"We can't know when the drought will end so we have to keep saving every drop we can", Marcus said, adding that people should find ways to water landscape trees, even as many cities go to once-a-week watering schedules for the winter. State Water Board is soliciting public comment on what the next iteration of the regulation will look like.

He maintains that long-term conservation mandates should be an act of the Legislature, not a regulatory state agency.

Suppliers with a history of high per-capita water use were ordered to cut as much as 36% off 2013 totals.

The sweeping array of emergency drought restrictions that Brown put in place in the spring, run through February, though they can be extended "if drought conditions persist" through January.

DROUGHT ON THE CENTRAL COAST

Water conservation slips in region, but most communities meet goals

Central Coast reports 25.1 percent conservation rate in October

SLO County communities report average use ranging from 47.8 to 119.6 gallons of water per person per day
Statewide water use declined to 87 gallons per person per day

BY CYNTHIA LAMBERT

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Nearly all San Luis Obispo County communities surveyed by state water regulators met their conservation targets in October, though only a few cities saved more water than they did the previous month.

Statewide, Californians saved 22.2 percent in October, down from 26.4 percent in September and below the minimum 25 percent average savings called for by Gov. Jerry Brown last April, the State Water Resources Control Board announced Tuesday. Water regulators said they anticipated a dip in October's conservation rate.

"It's harder to keep the percentages up in the fall and winter when little outdoor watering takes place," said Felicia Marcus, chair of the water board. "That's why the savings over the summer were so important. Now, we need to keep finding ways to save water."

Average statewide water use declined from 97 gallons per person per day in September to 87 gallons in October, though temperatures were well above normal for most of California. The water conservation rate in the Central Coast region was 25.1 percent — down from September's 26.7 percent.

State water regulators said that Californians have reduced water use by 27.1 percent in the five months since emergency conservation regulations took effect in June. Large urban suppliers, which were given specific conservation targets, have been required to report water usage every month.

In San Luis Obispo County, nine suppliers submitted conservation data to the state for October, which compares their water use from that month to October 2013. Average residential water use in the county ranged from 47.8 gallons per person per day in the Cambria Community Services District to 119.6 gallons per person per day in the Nipomo Community Services District.

The Atascadero Mutual Water Co. reported the largest dip in its water savings for October, with a 17.2 percent savings as compared to October 2013.

The community, with a 28 percent conservation target, reported a savings of 26.9 percent in September. But cumulatively, it has saved 30.4 percent compared to 2013.

For more information, go to www.waterboards.ca.gov.

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27.1 percent of water conservation statewide over the past five months

SLO County water conservation

October 2015 compared to October 2013

Water supplier	Conservation standard	Conservation savings
Arroyo Grande	28%	31.8%
Atascadero Mutual Water Co.	28%	17.2%
Cambria Community Services District	8%	19.4%
Grover Beach	8%	31.2%
Morro Bay	12%	21.8%
Nipomo Community Services District	28%	28.7%
Paso Robles	28%	26.5%
Pismo Beach	24%	21.2%
San Luis Obispo	12%	19.5%

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Mike Hodgson mhodgson@leecentralcoastnews.com Updated Nov 28, 2015

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Lompoc exceeds water conservation target

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Lompoc exceeded expectations for the state-ordered water conservation mandate in October as the city conserved 19 percent, compared to the 12 percent mandated.

"I think we're getting to the point of the season where the people of Lompoc stop irrigating their lawns, and we don't typically use as much water in the wintertime and it doesn't pick up until spring," said Lompoc's Water Superintendent Gene Margheim. "So we're not anticipating anything different in the next couple of months."

Lompoc Councilman James Mosby added: "When we're asked to do something, we stand up to be counted. We meet the challenge."

Meanwhile, Santa Maria failed to meet its mandate for the second straight month. However, Utility Director Shad Springer remained optimistic, noting that cumulative efforts have exceeded requirements.

"Our cumulative requirement through the month of October was 353 million gallons," Springer said. "To date, we have saved 373 million gallons. We are achieving our goal as far as accumulative."

But monthly numbers are a different story.

In October, Santa Maria conserved just 14 percent, compared to its mandated 16 percent. In September, the city conserved 15 percent — also off target.

"I'd like to encourage people, now that we are getting into cooler weather, (to) reconsider what they might do with their outside landscaping and watering, and remind them with rain in the forecast, and we recently had rain, not to do any outside watering during a measurable rain event," Springer said.

Pismo Beach also struggled, conserving 21.7 percent compared to its mandated 24 percent figure. In September, Pismo Beach conserved 19.59 percent.

The mandates follow an executive order by Gov. Jerry Brown in May requiring a 25-percent reduction in urban water use.

Failing to meet the mandates could cost up to \$10,000 per day, which could be imposed following a cease-and-desist order, according the State Water Resources Control Board.

Another city that continued to excel was Grover Beach, which conserved 31 percent for the second-straight month — well above its mandated 8 percent.

Arroyo Grande conserved 32 percent, 4 percent above its requirement. Orcutt conserved 33

percent.

Nipomo Community Services District conserved 28.7 percent versus its 28-percent mandate. But Golden State Water Co. couldn't match its reduction goal in Nipomo, earning a 34-percent reduction — 2 percent off target.

Solvang conserved 30 percent and Buellton conserved 21 percent.

For more information on water conservation targets and regulations, visit waterboards.ca.gov.

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NCSD raises sewer rates 3.2 percent

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Sewer rates will rise Jan. 1 for residents within Nipomo Community Services District boundaries, but many residential customers might not even notice — at least until 2017.

NCSD directors last week approved a five-year 3.2-percent rate increase for the Town Division, which is served by the Southland Wastewater Treatment Plant, after receiving only 14 written protests and no public comments at a Proposition 215 hearing Nov. 12.

The increase won't affect residents of Blacklake, who are served by a separate treatment plant.

For the first year, that 3.2 percent is reached through an average of the rates for single-family residences that will rise about 1 percent and multifamily residences that will rise about 10 percent.

For most single-family residences, the two-month sewer bill will increase just 61 cents, while for most multifamily residences, the two-month bill will go up about \$7.

Bills for nonresidential customers will rise about 16 percent, depending upon the waste they generate.

The rates will go into effect Jan. 1, but customers won't see the change until their March/April bills, district officials said.

However, come Jan. 1, 2017, the rates will rise 3.2 percent across the board, said Michael LeBrun, NCSD general manager.

He said the rate increases vary the first year as the result of a cost-of-service analysis based on the strength of the sewage flowing into the treatment plant from various classes of customers.

"Our commercial customers were not paying their fair share of what it cost to treat their sewage," LeBrun explained.

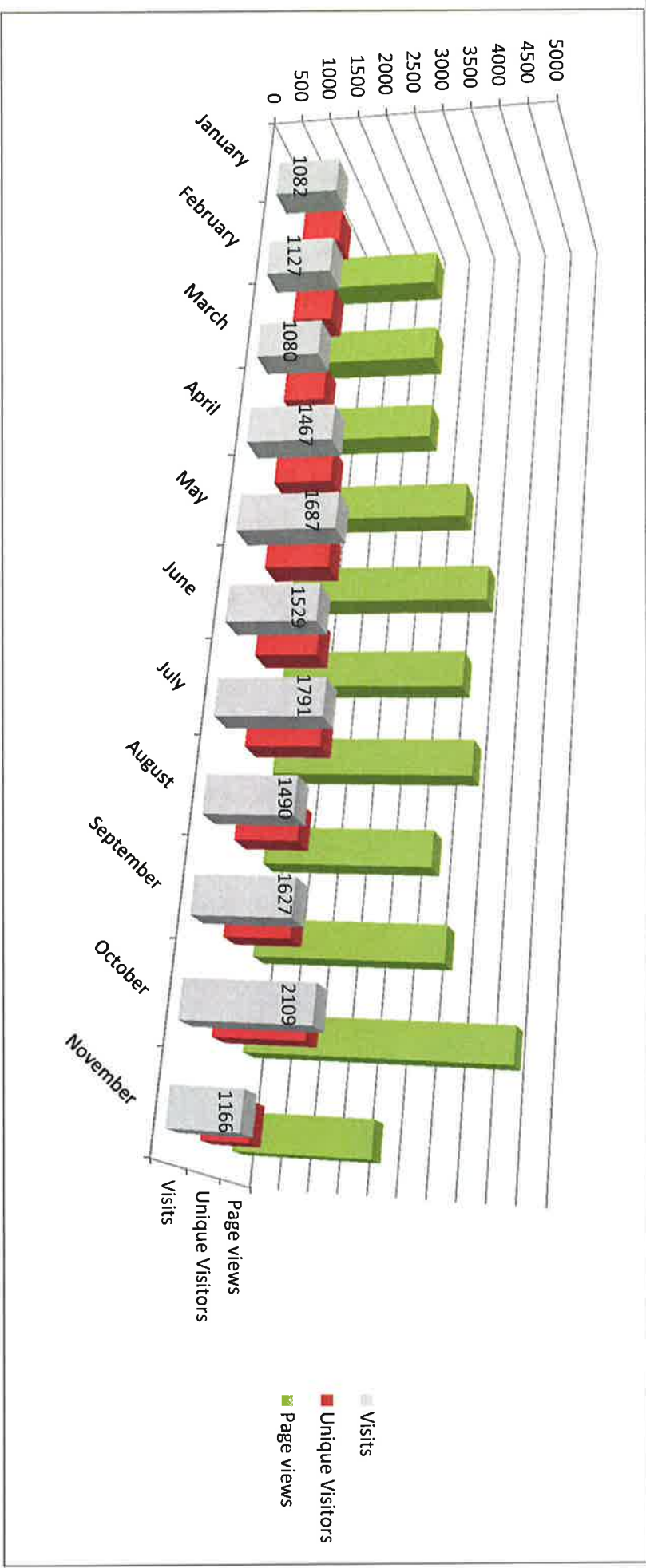
The rate increase is needed to cover the debt service on certificates of participation issued to pay for the recent upgrade of the Southland Wastewater Treatment Plant, as well as the higher maintenance and operating costs and increased salaries for the higher-qualified operators needed to run the plant.

2015 Website Traffic Summary

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8/24/15 - 8/30/15	329	278	642	1.95	0:01:56	55.32%	66.26%	Thu 8/27	
8/31/15 - 9/6/15	523	401	1163	2.22	0:02:39	54.88%	61.76%	Mon 8/31	Brockovich posts/media
9/7/15 - 9/13/15	314	228	586	1.87	0:01:14	52.55%	48.41%	Tue 9/8	
9/14/15 - 9/20/15	320	253	647	2.02	0:02:12	52.81%	60%	Mon 9/14	
9/21/15 - 9/27/15	402	299	743	1.85	0:01:28	61.19%	58.96%	Mon 9/21	
9/28/15 - 10/4/15	366	278	755	2.06	0:02:06	55.46%	56.83%	Wed 9/30	
10/5/15 - 10/11/15	708	561	1684	2.38	0:02:22	46.19%	63.42%	Mon 10/5	General Manager recruitment ads
10/12/15 - 10/18/15	469	395	988	2.11	0:01:39	51.81%	66.95%	Mon 10/12	
10/19/15 - 10/25/15	438	353	842	1.92	0:01:23	51.83%	61.19%	Mon 10/19	
10/26/15 - 11/1/15	337	263	722	2.14	0:01:47	51.34%	57.57%	Tue 10/27	
11/2/15 - 11/8/15	306	241	613	2	0:01:29	52.29%	55.88%	Fri 11/6	
11/9/15 - 11/15/15	273	204	549	2.01	0:01:43	51.65%	51.65%	Mon 11/9	
11/16/15 - 11/22/15	331	237	672	2.03	0:01:42	59.21%	49.85%	Mon 11/16	
11/23/15 - 11/29/15	187	149	341	1.82	0:00:48	58.82%	57.22%	Mon 11/23	Low due to holiday

Website Traffic Summary

2015	Visits	Chg from Prev Mo	Unique Visitors	Chg from Prev Mo	Page views	Chg from Prev Mo	Pages/ Visit	Chg from Prev Mo	Avg. Visit Duration	Chg from Prev Mo	Bounce Rate	Chg from Prev Mo	% New Visits	Chg from Prev Mo
January	1082		705		2122		1.96		0:01:35		54.34%		52.77%	
February	1127	4.16%	713	1.13%	2240	5.56%	1.99	1.53%	0:01:35	0.00%	55.37%	1.90%	49.42%	-6.35%
March	1080	-4.17%	724	1.54%	2280	1.79%	2.11	6.03%	0:01:37	2.11%	54.35%	-1.84%	54.63%	10.54%
April	1467	35.83%	1011	39.64%	3051	33.82%	2.08	-1.42%	0:01:41	4.12%	55.96%	2.96%	58.01%	6.19%
May	1687	15.00%	1126	11.37%	3563	16.78%	2.11	1.44%	0:02:06	24.75%	53.11%	-5.09%	55.25%	-4.76%
June	1529	-9.37%	1085	-3.64%	3241	-9.04%	2.12	0.47%	0:02:01	-3.97%	56.70%	6.76%	57.36%	3.82%
July	1791	17.14%	1299	19.72%	3520	8.61%	1.97	-7.08%	0:01:37	-19.83%	51.20%	-9.70%	52.20%	-9.00%
August	1490	-16.81%	1076	-17.17%	2935	-16.62%	1.97	0.00%	0:01:48	11.34%	54.56%	6.56%	59.66%	14.29%
September	1627	9.19%	1129	4.93%	3280	11.75%	2.02	2.54%	0:01:58	9.26%	55.75%	2.18%	57.22%	-4.09%
October	2109	29.63%	1542	36.58%	4546	38.60%	2.16	6.93%	0:01:52	-5.08%	50.45%	-9.51%	61.93%	8.23%
November	1166	-44.71%	787	-48.96%	2319	-48.99%	1.99	-7.87%	0:01:28	-21.43%	55.06%	9.14%	53.86%	-13.03%
December														



2015 Twitter Summary

TWITTER

Week	List Growth (Followers)	Re-tweets (shared)	Mentions/ Favorites (comments)	Link Visits (visits to links)	Content Views (Impressions)	Most Popular Post
6/19/15 - 7/16/15 (28 days)	10	1	5	24	2,600	Two opportunities tomorrow to hear more about the arrival of supplemental water and our drought response. #Nipomo pic.twitter.com/N57zwmTzxw (277 views)
7/17/15 - 8/6/15 (21 days)	7	6	11	12	2,100	Thx @bradpomerance for hosting #Nipomo CSD GM Michael LeBrun on #CharterLocalEdition #watermanagement during #drought http://ow.ly/PUFhb (338 views)
8/7/15 - 9/3/15 (28 days)	9	10	6	15	2,300	The State has just announced \$30 Million in rebates for #turfreplacement and toilets! Apply for your rebate here: http://ow.ly/QSaIe (245 views)
9/4/15 - 9/24/15 (21 days)	6	6	12	11	2,000	The heat didn't keep NCSd from celebrating #Nipomo's historic Supplemental Water Project with a Ribbon Cutting today pic.twitter.com/7dC4sqagHg (260 views) Thank you @bradpomerance for having Director Eby on #CharterLocalEdition recently! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=re-EINdtdNo&feature=youtu.be ... (242 views)
9/25/15 - 10/8/15 (14 days)	7	2	2	2	1,200	#Nipomo CSD Director of Engineering & Operations Receives Prestigious Award @ASCETweets #ASCE pic.twitter.com/rmeOOoItpU (178 views)

2015 Twitter Summary

TWITTER

Week	List Growth (Followers)	Re-tweets (shared)	Mentions/ Favorites (comments)	Link Visits (visits to links)	Content Views (impressions)	Most Popular Post
10/9/15 - 10/22/15 (14 days)	0	3	3	6	810	The Agenda and Packet for the October 14, 2015 Regular Board meeting has been posted on the District's website.... http://fb.me/7B56NbEMm (106 views)
10/23/15 - 11/5/15 (14 days)	1	10	10	9	474	The Agenda and Packet for the October 28th Regular Board meeting is on the District's website http://www.ncsd.ca.gov #Nipomo (70 views)
11/6/15 - 12/3/15 (28 days)	5	8	1	4	2,300	#Nipomo CSD delivered the first payment to the City of #SantaMaria for supplemental water. http://ncsd.ca.gov/pic.twitter.com/3qfBxk6KXt (317 views)

2015 Facebook Summary

Week	New Users	Comment Likes	Comment Shares	User Posts	*Content Views	Most Popular Post
6/19/15 - 7/16/15 (28 days)	4	18	0	4	819	Supplemental Water has arrived in #Nipomo! "This is truly a monumental accomplishment for the District. This project will increase District water supply reliability for generations to come." www.ncsd.ca.gov (210 views)
7/17/15 - 8/6/15 (21 days)	2	12	0	3	390	California #drought: Inside a Home without Water Families are having to make tough choices in many California communities. #brownisthenewgreen (51 views) #Nipomo CSD received two prestigious awards from American Society of Civil Engineers (#ASCE)! @ASCETweets www.ncsd.ca.gov (49 views)
8/7/15 - 9/3/15 (28 days)	6	27	0	18	857	GOOD NEWS! The State has just announced \$30 Million in #rebates to help replace old toilets and turf! The rebates are for up to \$2,000 for turf replacement and \$100 for toilets. Read more and apply for your rebate here: http://www.saveourwaterrebates.com/ (109 views)

2015 Facebook Summary

Week	New Users	Comment Likes	Comment Shares	User Posts	*Content Views	Most Popular Post
9/4/15 - 9/24/15 (21 days)	0	20	0	1	662	The heat did not keep the District from celebrating the completion of the historic #Nipomo Supplemental Water Project with a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony this morning. Thank you to Lynn Compton 4th District Supervisor, the City of Santa Maria Utilities Department, Mayor Alice Patino and City Council, Representative from Senator Bill Monning's office, the Nipomo Chamber of Commerce and the many others that came out to celebrate with us. (95 views)
9/25/15 - 10/8/15 (14 days)	1	8	0	0	156	Check out these #waterwise landscape principles. #bewaterwise (37 views)
10/9/15 - 10/22/15 (14 days)	1	12	2	0	130	Nipomo Community Services District added 6 new photos from October 10 to the album: Nipomo Octoberfest 2015. (27 views)
10/23/15 - 11/5/15 (14 days)	1	1	1	0	184	City of Santa Maria Utilities Department Press Release regarding their temporary switch to groundwater beginning this Friday, the 30th. (75 views)
11/6/15 - 12/3/15	0	3	0	0	228	The November 11th Regular Board Meeting is canceled. Agenda and Packet for the November 12th Special Meeting has been posted on the District website. www.ncsd.ca.gov (19 views)

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ATTACHMENT C

AGENDA

Dan Buckshi
County Administrator



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Frank R. Mecham, 1st District
Bruce Gibson, 2nd District
Adam Hill, 3rd District
Lynn Compton, Vice-Chairperson, 4th District
Debbie Arnold, Chairperson, 5th District

Tuesday, December 08, 2015

CONSENT AGENDA

9:00 AM

REVIEW AND APPROVAL

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

PRESENTATIONS

BOARD BUSINESS

CLOSED SESSION

RECESS

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:30 PM

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

HEARINGS

BOARD BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

5:00 PM

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- All persons desiring to speak on any Board item, including the Consent agenda, Closed Session or during the general public comment period are asked to fill out a "Board Appearance Request Form" and submit to the Clerk of the Board *prior* to the start of the Board item. Each individual speaker is limited to a MAXIMUM of three (3) minutes.
- Please refer to the information brochure located in the back and outside of the Board Chambers for additional information regarding accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act, supplemental correspondence, and general rules of procedure.

9:00 FLAG SALUTE

CONSENT AGENDA – REVIEW AND APPROVAL

The items listed on this portion of the agenda are scheduled for consideration as a group. The staff recommendations will be approved as outlined within the staff report. Any Supervisor may request an item be withdrawn from the Consent Agenda to permit discussion or change the recommended course of action for an item.

Bid Opening:

1. Letter transmitting plans and specifications (Clerk's File) for Installation of Centerline Rumble Strips Countywide, for Board approval and advertisement for construction bids and find that the project is exempt from Section 21000 et seq. of the California Public Resources Code (CEQA) and authorize a budget adjustment in the amount of \$133,533, to increase the appropriation and associated funding for the Installation of Centerline Rumble Strips Project, Countywide. Bid opening date set for Thursday, January 7, 2016. All Districts.

Consent Agenda - Airports Items:

2. Request to award a consulting contract (Clerk's File) to Earth Systems Pacific, for Special Inspection Services for the New Terminal Construction Project at the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport in the amount of \$394,202. All Districts.

Consent Agenda - Auditor - Controller - Treasurer - Tax Collector Items:

3. Request to approve Amendment No. 2 to the contract with Fidelity Information Services, Inc. (FIS) for Countywide Electronic Payment services extending the contract terms for an additional three years with two optional one-year contract extensions. All Districts.

Consent Agenda - County Fire Items:

4. Submittal of resolutions recognizing Battalion Chiefs Matt Jauregui, John Richardson, and Phill Veneris upon their retirement with CAL FIRE/San Luis Obispo County Fire Department. All Districts.

Consent Agenda - Health Agency Items:

5. Request to approve a new FY 2015-16 contract with Ever Well Health Systems, LLC not to exceed the cumulative amount of \$2,506,458 to provide residential board and care, social support, and outpatient mental health services to adults with serious mental illness. All Districts.

Consent Agenda - Planning & Building Items:

6. Submittal of six resolutions approving new land conservation contracts for John Decker (AGP2013-00008) on Monte Cristo Place south of Cambria; Bradford Jones (AGP2013-00009) on Monte Cristo Place south of Cambria; Riboli Paso Robles, LLC (AGP2014-00016) on Almond Drive east of Atascadero; Ronald Denner (AGP2015-00002) on Adelaida Road west of Paso Robles; Green Gate Farms Edna Valley, LLC (AGP2013-00013) on Green Gate Road southeast of the City of San Luis Obispo; Green Gate Farms Edna Valley, LLC (AGP2013-00014) on Green Gate Road southeast of the City of San Luis Obispo; pursuant to the California Land Conservation Act of 1965. Class 17 categorical exemptions were issued for each application. Districts 1, 2, 3 & 5.
7. Submittal of a resolution accepting an Avigation Easement from Margarita Ranch, SLO, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company, for the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport. District 3.

Consent Agenda - Parks & Recreation Items:

8. Request to approve an amendment to the fixed asset list for Fund Center (FC) 427 – Golf to add three replacement HVAC units for Dairy Creek Golf Course in San Luis Obispo in the amount of \$20,000. District 2.

Consent Agenda - Public Works Items:

9. Submittal of a resolution commending and thanking Frank Honeycutt for his 12 years of service with the County of San Luis Obispo. All Districts.
10. Submittal of a resolution authorizing execution of notice of completion and acceptance for the construction of Parks - Cayucos – Restore Cayucos Pier; and request approval of Contract Change Order No. 5 in the amount of \$46,187.55. District 2.
11. Submittal of a resolution appointing one Director and one Alternate Director to the Los Osos Groundwater Basin Management Committee. District 2.
12. Submittal of right of way documents accepting conveyance to the County of San Luis Obispo from Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas, LLC for the Price Canyon Road Widening Project, San Luis Obispo (WBS 300464). District 3.
13. Request to amend the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Fixed Asset List for Fund Center 405 – Public Works Internal Service Fund (ISF) to add the replacement of a crack seal machine at an estimated cost of \$46,000 and authorize disposal of the current damaged machine. All Districts.
14. Submittal of a resolution authorizing execution of notice of completion and acceptance for the construction of the 2014-15 Micro Surfacing Los Osos. District 2.
15. Request to approve a Cooperative Agreement with California Department of Transportation to prepare a project study report for the interchange at US Highway 101 and Main Street, Templeton. District 1.
16. Request approval of Tract 2933, a proposed subdivision resulting in 6 lots by Quality Homes Renovation, Inc., that has been received and has satisfied all the conditions of approval that were established at the public hearing on the tentative map; and reject the offer of dedication for Cayucos and Eddy Streets and public utility easements, in the community of Templeton. District 1.

Public Comment Period:

17. The general public comment period is intended to provide an opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on matters within the Board's purview that are not scheduled on the current agenda. Individuals interested in speaking are asked to fill out a "Board Appearance Request Form" and submit it to the Clerk of the Board prior to the start of general public comment. When recognized by the Chair, each individual speaker may address the Board and is limited to a MAXIMUM of three (3) minutes or a reasonable period of time as determined by the Board Chairperson.

Presentations:

18. Submittal of a resolution recognizing Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County, Inc. (CAPSLO) on its 50th Anniversary. All Districts.
19. Annual update on the First 5 Children and Families Commission for 2015 in San Luis Obispo County. All Districts.

Board Business:

20. Request authorization to pursue an additional allocation of Nacimiento Project Water on behalf of County Service Area 10A (Cayucos). District 2.

Closed Session Items:

21. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Government Code section 54956.9.) It is the intention of the Board to meet in closed session concerning the following items: (1) Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of section 54956.9. Number of potential cases: Two; (2) Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of section 54956.9. Number of potential cases: Two.

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Government Code section 54957.6.) It is the intention of the Board to meet in closed session to have a conference with its Labor Negotiator, Tami Douglas-Schatz, concerning the following employee organizations: (3) San Luis Obispo Government Attorney's Union (SLOGAU); (4) San Luis Obispo County Employees Association – Trades and Crafts (SLOCEA-T&C); (5) Deputy County Counsel's Association (DCCA); (6) Sheriffs' Management; (7) San Luis Obispo County Probation Peace Officers' Association (SLOCPPOA); (8) Deputy Sheriff's Association (DSA); (9) District Attorney Investigators' Association (DAIA); (10) San Luis Obispo County Probation Managers' Peace Officers' Association (SLOCPMPOA); (11) San Luis Obispo County Employees Association – Public Services, Supervisors, Clerical (SLOCEA – PSSC); (12) Unrepresented Management and Confidential Employees; and (13) Association of San Luis Obispo County Deputy Sheriffs (ASLOCDS).

PERSONNEL (Government Code section 54957.) It is the intention of the Board to meet in closed session to: (14) Consider the Public Employee Annual Performance Evaluation for the Position of County Administrative Officer.

RECESS

1:30 REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Hearings:

22. Hearing to adopt the Annual Road Improvement Fee Reports for the fee areas of Los Osos, North Coast and San Miguel. Districts 1 and 2.

Board Business:

23. Presentation of the General Plan Annual Progress Report for Fiscal Year 2014-15. All Districts.

ND. WEEKLY REPORT OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW

The purpose of the environmental review process is to provide information about the environmental effects of the actions and decisions made by the County, so that environmental considerations become a part of the decision making process. The following is a summary of the most recent determinations made by the County's Environmental Coordinator. The purpose of this listing is to notify the public of pending actions, which may affect the environment of San Luis Obispo County.

You are invited to participate in this process by reviewing and providing comments on the recommendations of the Environmental Coordinator. Your comments should be in writing and should be delivered to: Ellen Carroll, Environmental Coordinator, Department of Planning and Building, 976 Osos Street, Room 300, San Luis Obispo, Ca 93408-2040. For more information about the environmental review process, please write to the address above, call the Department of Planning and Building at (805) 781-5600, or review the environmental determination and other information on our website located at www.sloplanning.org.

Proposed Negative Declarations

A Negative Declaration is issued for projects that would not result in significant effects on the environment. In many cases, the project applicant has added mitigation measures to the project to reduce environmental impacts in order to qualify for a Negative Declaration. If you disagree with the issuance of a proposed Negative Declaration, you may provide comments or file a Request for Review (appeal) of the Negative Declaration. Requests for Review must be filed within two weeks of the date that the proposed Negative Declaration is posted and must address only environmental issues. There is a fee for the request. If you would like more information about this process, please contact the Environmental Coordinator.

For Week of November 25, 2015

Arroyo Grande Area

Van Petten Minor Use Permit. A request by Vance Van Petten for a Minor Use Permit to demolish a 1,316 square foot residence and construct a new 4,372 square foot residence with 863 square foot attached garage. The project will result in the disturbance of approximately 1.07 acres of a 5.16 acre parcel. The proposed project is within the Residential Suburban land use category. The site is in the South County (Inland) subarea of the South County planning area. The project is located at 916 Mesa View Drive (Highway 1), approximately 0.5 miles south of the Mesa View Drive/Halcyon Road intersection, approximately two miles south of the City of Arroyo Grande. ED14-212 (DRC2014-00097)

San Miguel Area

SWG Paso Vineyards, LLC Grading Permit. A request by Jim Ledbetter and SWG Paso

Vineyards, LLC for a major grading permit to construct two high-density polyethylene (HDPE)-lined agricultural reservoirs (Reservoir 1 and Reservoir 2) with maximum holding capacities of 49.8 and 33.6 acre-feet, respectively, to provide frost protection and irrigation for an existing 493.24-acre vineyard. The project includes the removal of 2.66 acres of existing irrigated alfalfa, which is proposed to offset annual evaporative losses of reservoir water (11.19 acre-feet per year [afy] under average rainfall conditions to 11.97 afy under drought conditions). The proposed project is located within the Agriculture land use category, on Estrella Road, approximately 1.4 miles west of Airport Road, approximately 2.5 miles southeast of the unincorporated community of San Miguel. The proposed project is located on Estrella Road, approximately 1.4 miles west of Airport Road, approximately 2.5 miles southeast of San Miguel. Reservoir 1 would be located approximately 1.25 miles northeast of Estrella Road, and Reservoir 2 would be located approximately 0.63 mile northeast of Estrella Road. The 17-acre alfalfa field, which would be reduced by 2.66 acres, is located immediately west of Estrella Road, on an adjacent parcel under the same ownership. The site is in the rural El Pomar-Estrella and Salinas River sub-areas of the North County planning area. ED14-206 (PMT2012-01775)

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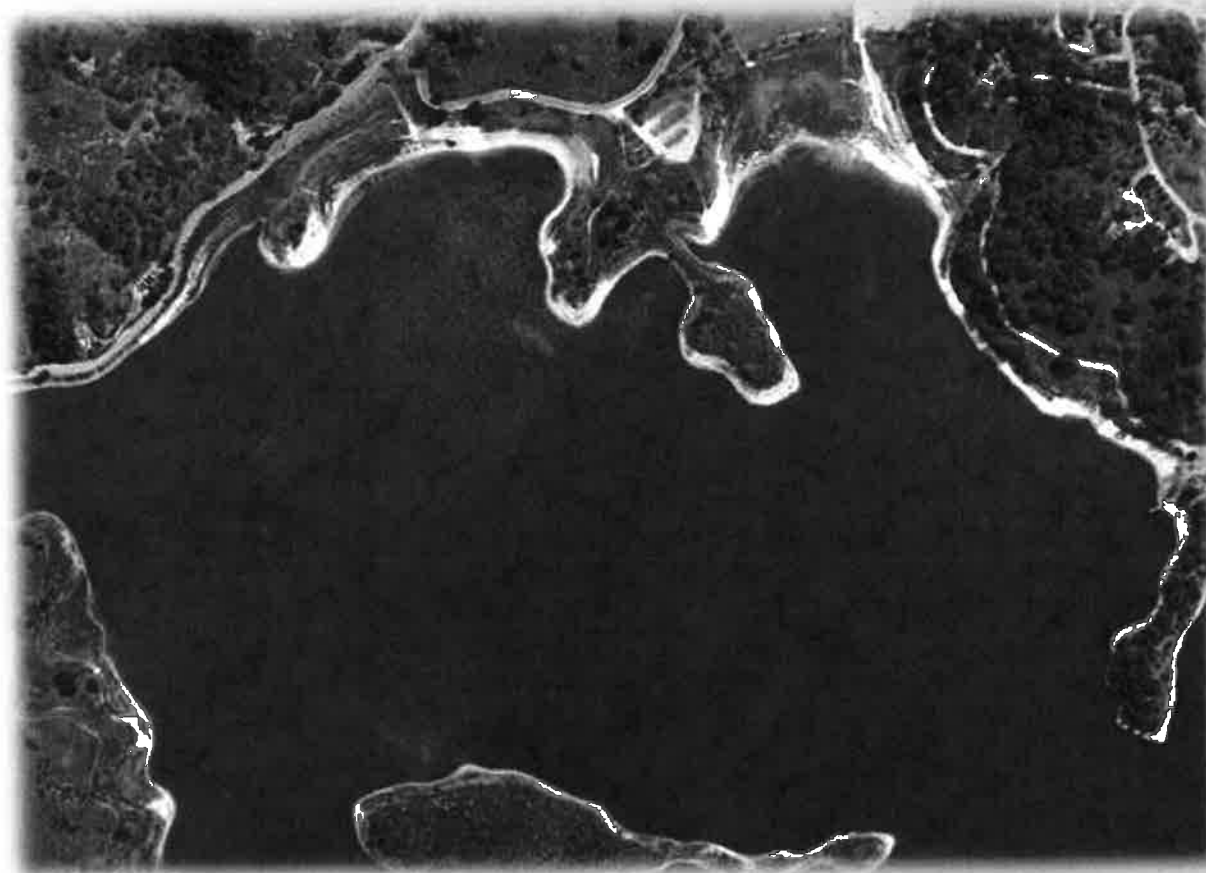
Perspective of the Northern Cities Water Supply

Presented by Jim Garing, Civil Engineer - Garing Taylor & Associates

Lake Lopez Vista Lago Swim Area

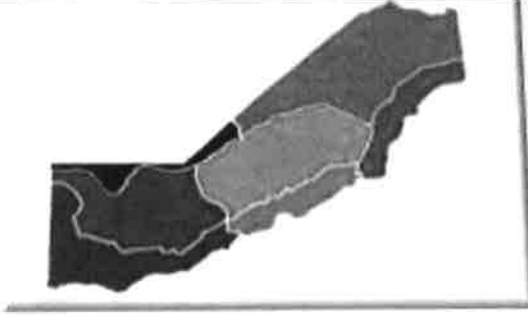


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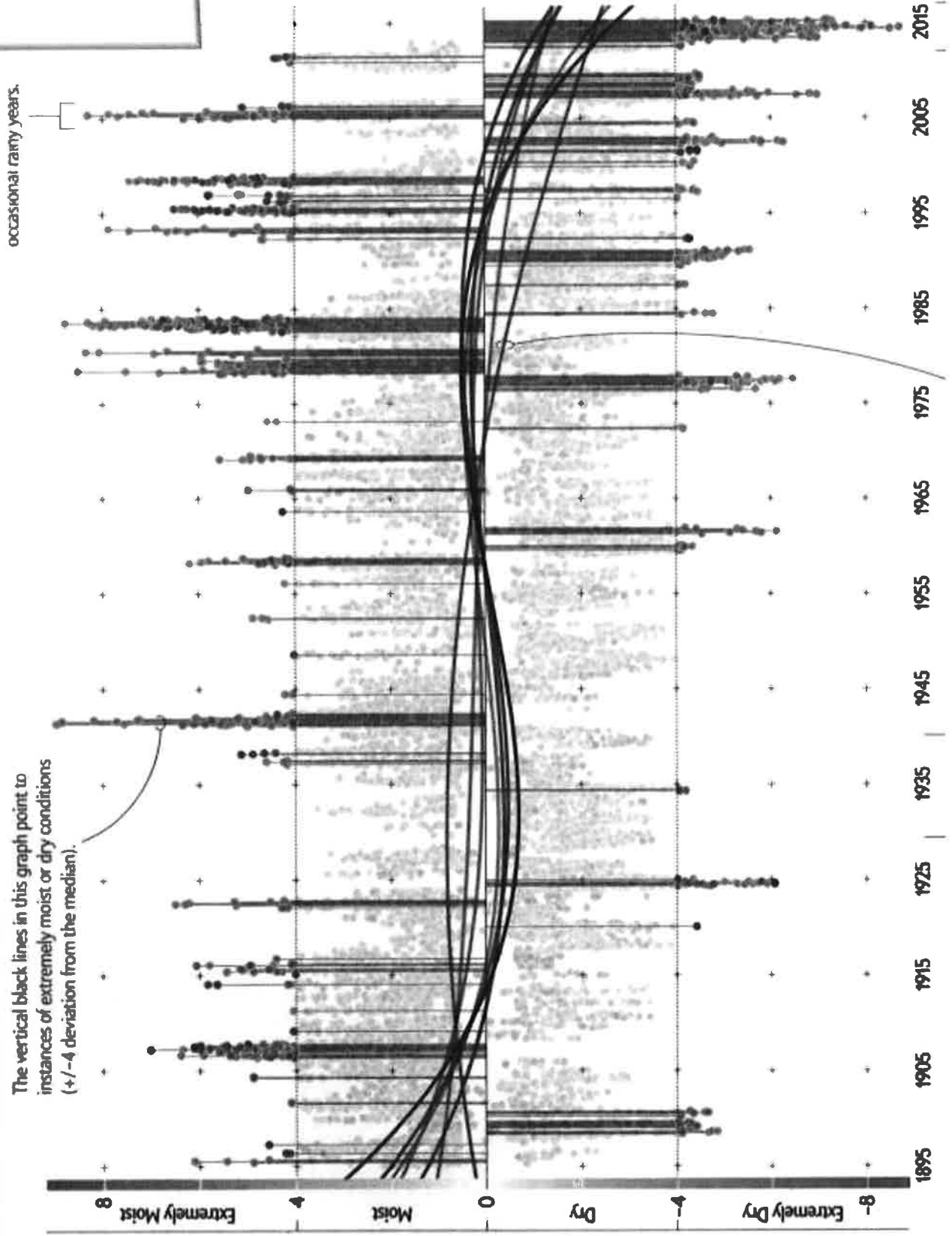


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Our Current Trajectory (Palmer Hydrological Drought Index)

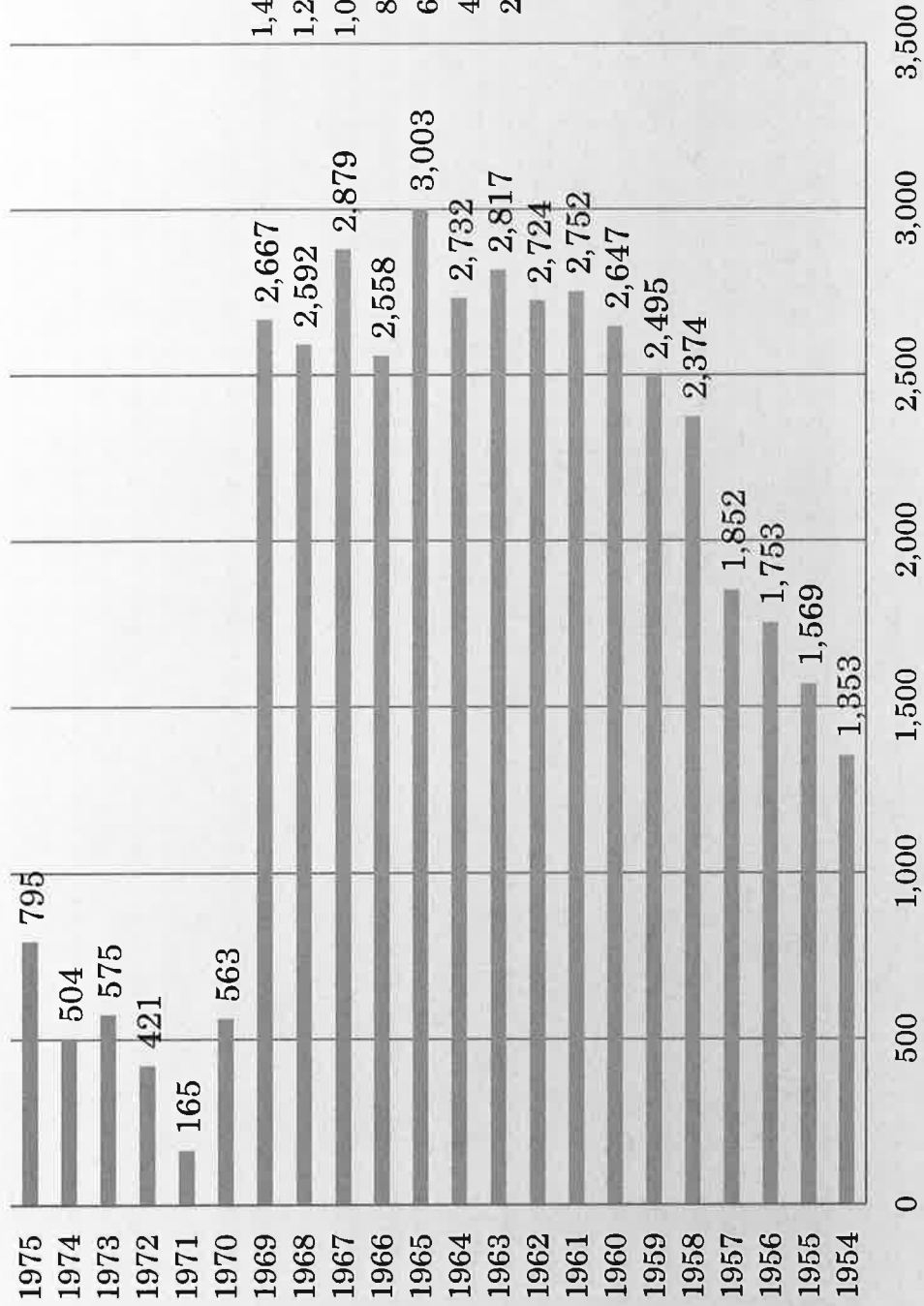


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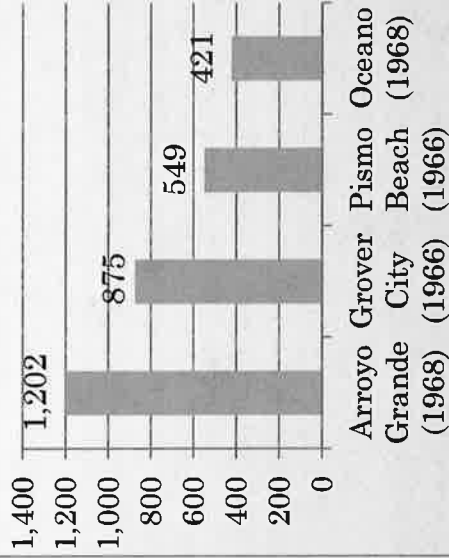


Urban Groundwater Extractions (Arroyo Grande Basin)

Total Water Extracted (ac-ft)



Pre-Lopez Lake Project Pumping (ac-ft)



Arroyo Grande (1968)
Grover City (1966)
Pismo Beach (1968)

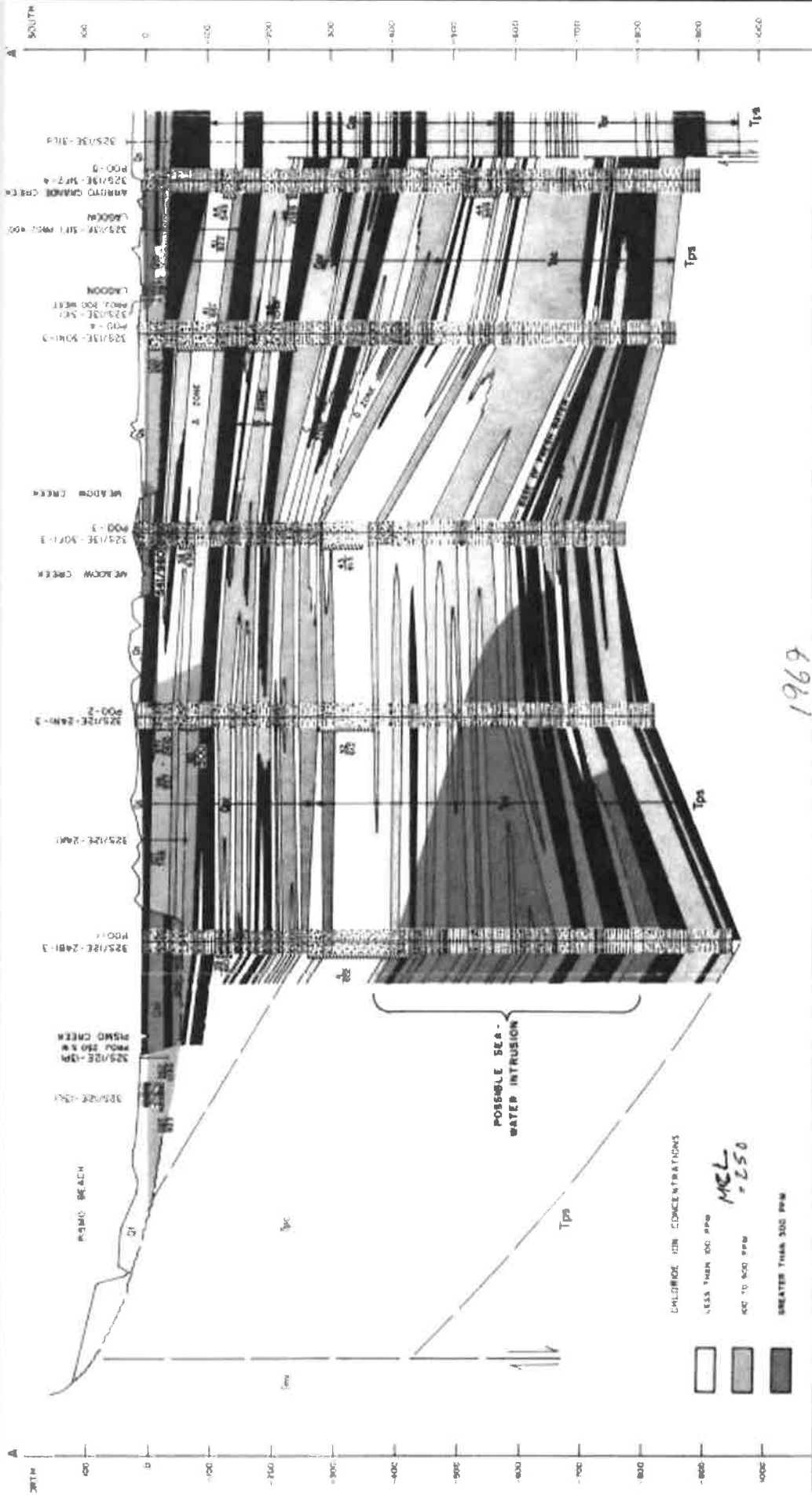
The Lopez Lake Dam Project

In 1965, Grover City, Pismo Beach, Arroyo Grande and Oceano signed a contract with the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District to implement the Lopez Lake Dam Project.

Compelling Reasons to Participate Included:

- Potential for Sea Water Intrusion
- Increasing Nitrate Concentration of Groundwater
- Future Needs

Sea Water Intrusion: Pismo Guadalupe Area (1969)



Nitrate Contamination

By 1972, Nitrate contamination had been changed to a primary standard for water quality.

- 45 milligrams per liter (mg/L) maximum

Most municipal wells in Five Cities Area exceeded the maximum concentration (45 mg/L).

Nitrates were believed to come from:

- Agricultural fertilizers
- Septic tanks

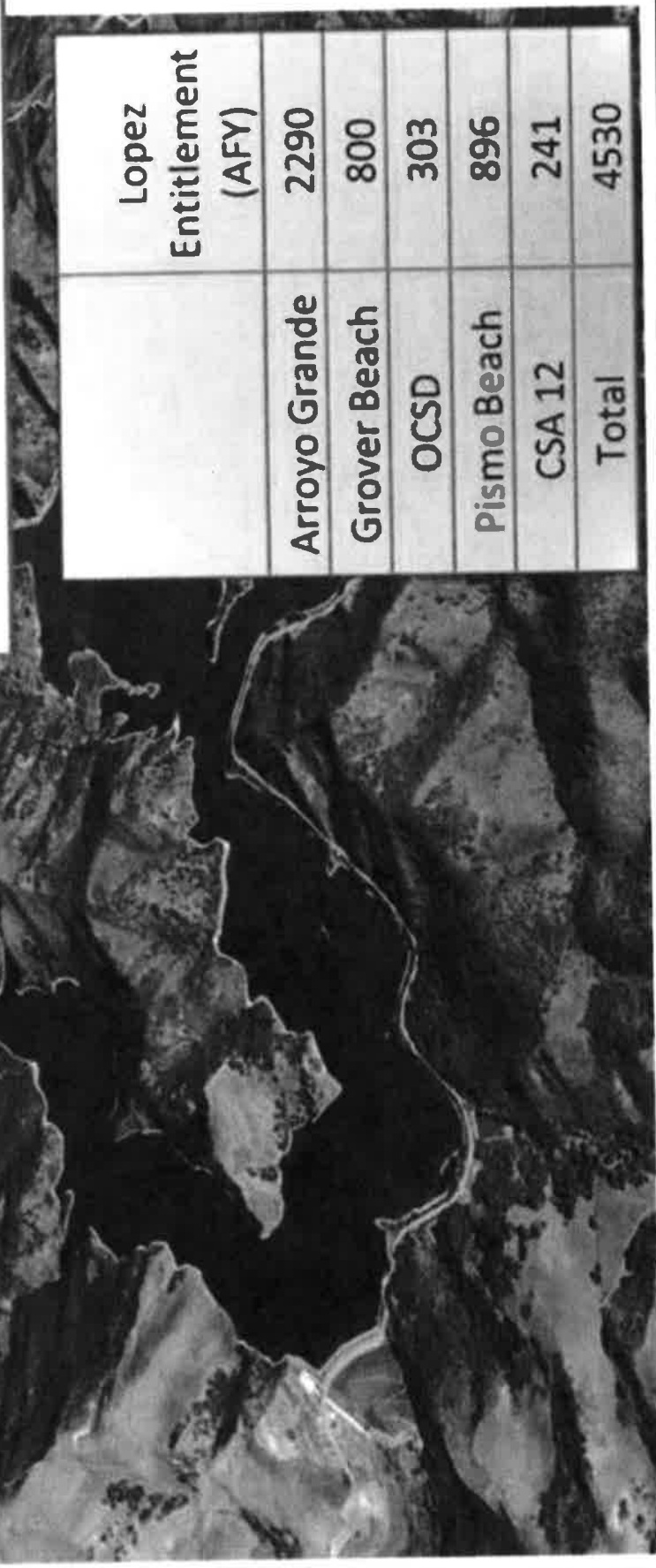
Of Note:

- Grover City sewered in 1965
- Oceano sewered in 1967
- Western Arroyo Grande sewered 1972

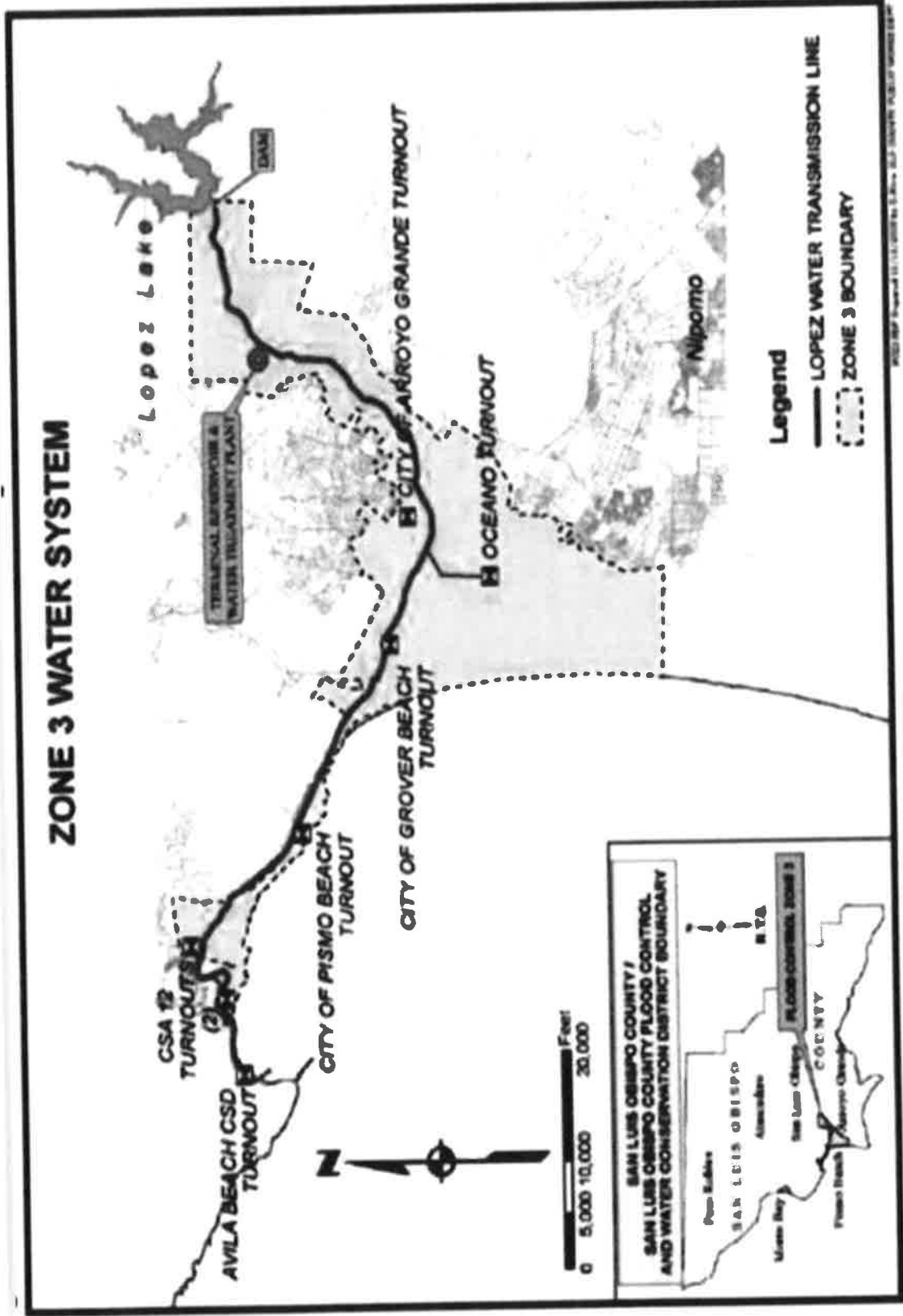
Lopez Reservoir

Lopez Entitlement

- Urban 4,530 AFY
- Environmental/
Agriculture 4,200 AFY

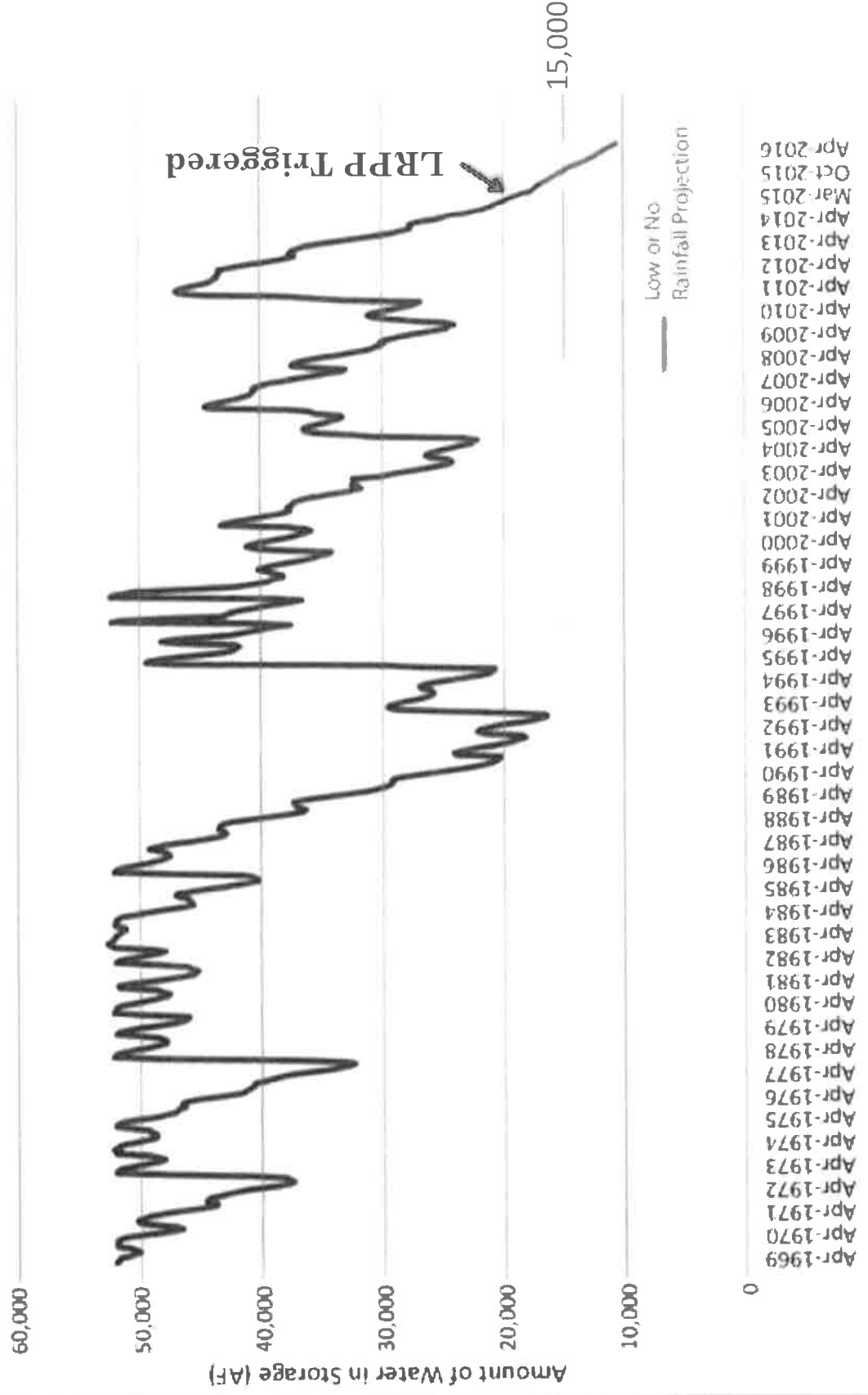


Lopez WTP and Pipeline



Source: 2010 Urban Water Management Plan for Zone 3

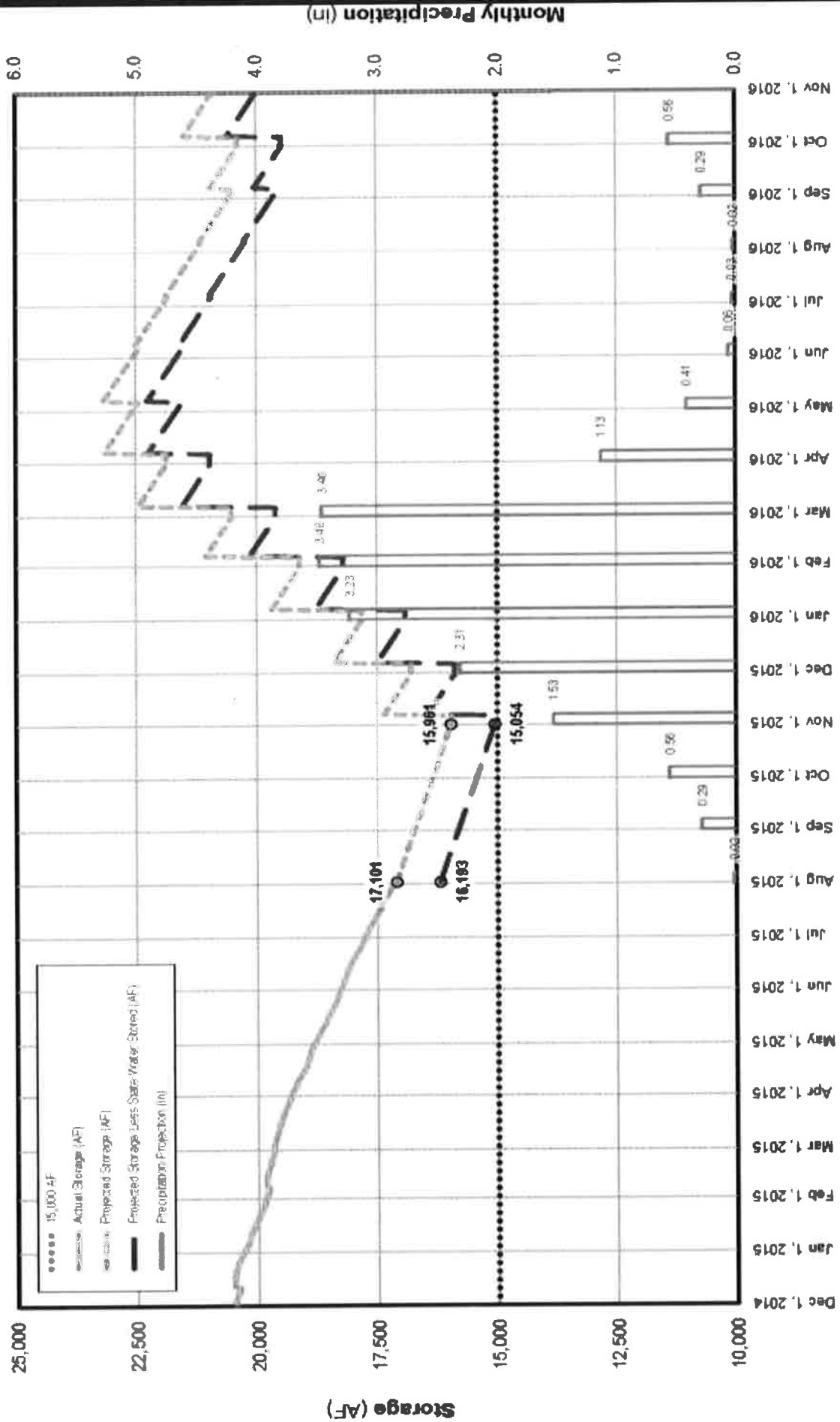
Lake Lopez Storage (acre-feet) (1969 – Present)



Revised: 8/2/2015

Lopez Reservoir Storage Projections

(precipitation scenario source: www.LongRangeWeather.com)



Low-Reservoir Response Plan

Table 1. Initial Prescribed Municipal Diversion

Reduction Strategy

Amount of Water In Storage (ac-ft)	Municipal Diversion Reduction	Municipal Diversion (ac-ft per year)
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20,000	0%	4,530
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15,000	10%	4,077
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10,000	20%	3,624
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5,000	35%	2,941
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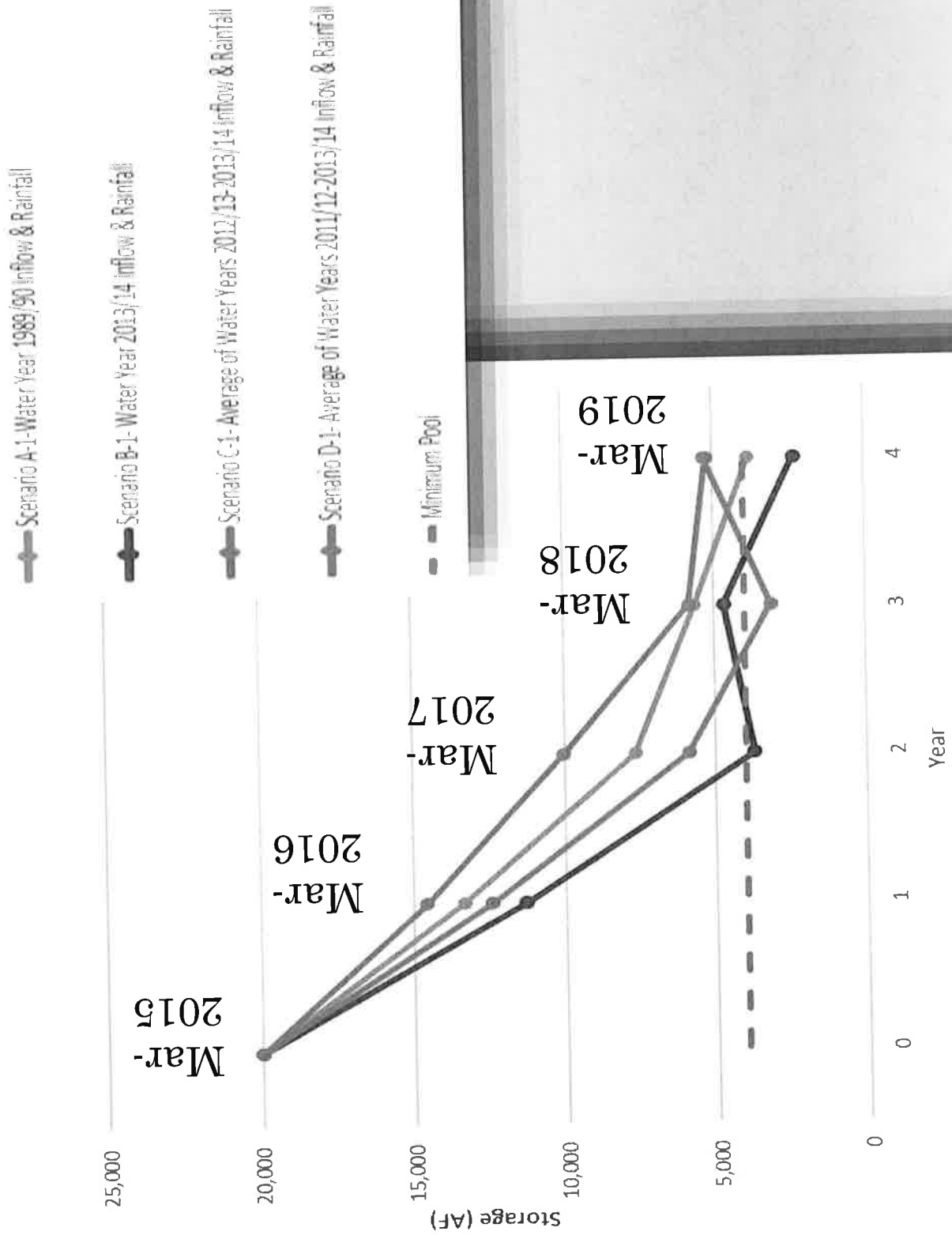
4,000	100%	0
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Low-Reservoir Response Plan

Table 2. Initial Prescribed Downstream Release Reduction Strategy

Amount of Water In Storage (ac-ft)	Downstream Release	Downstream Release (ac-ft per year)
20,000	10%	3,800
15,000	10%	3,800
10,000	76%	1,026
5,000	93%	300
4,000	100%	0

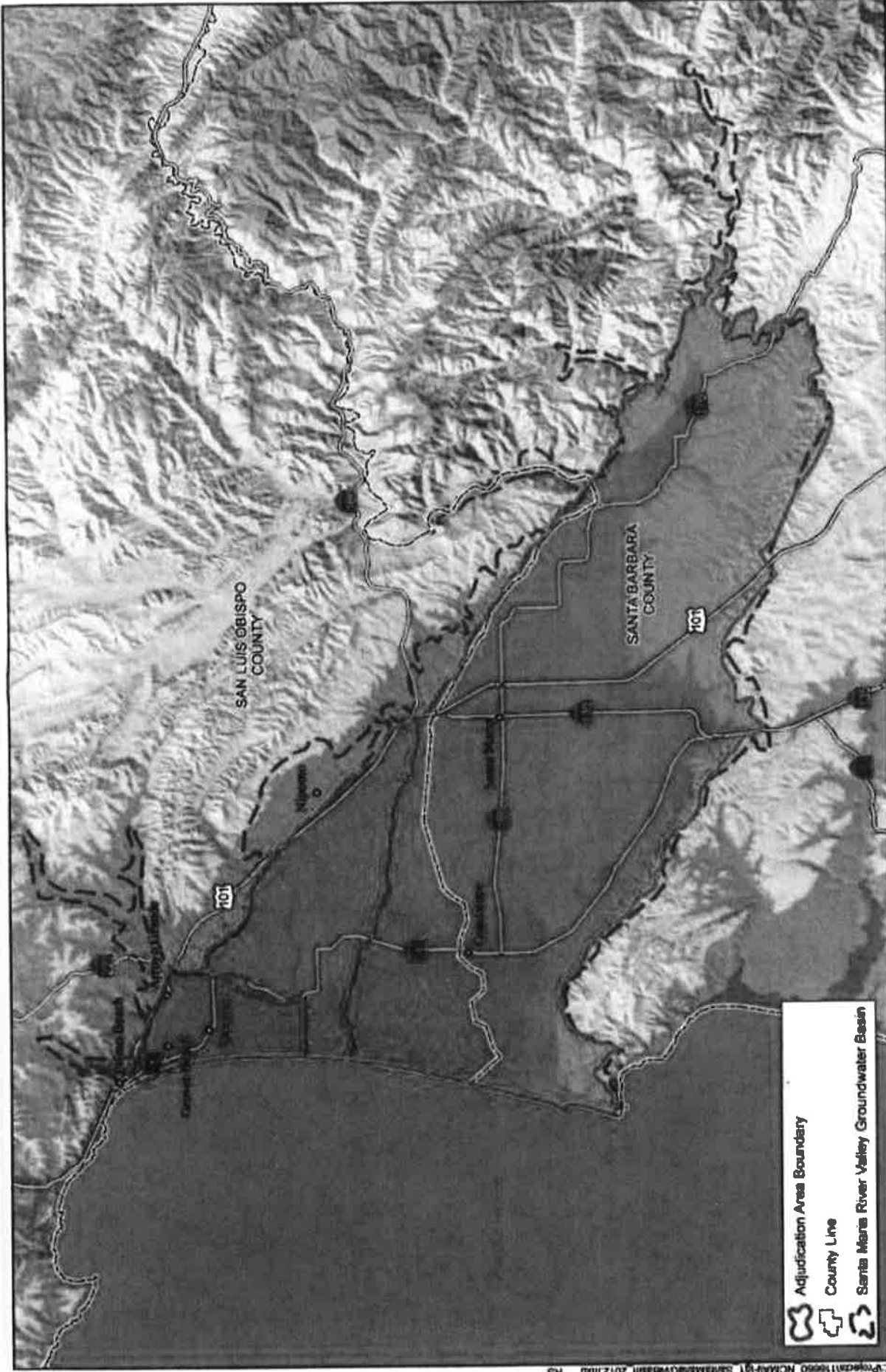
Scenario 1- Initial Prescribed Reduction Strategy



The Gentleman's Agreement

In 1983, Grover City, Arroyo Grande, Pismo Beach, OCSD and the San Luis Obispo Board of Supervisors adopted resolutions, amounting to what today is known as "The Gentleman's Agreement". The agreement provided for subdivision of the safe yield of the Tri-Cities Mesa Groundwater Basin among the Cities of Arroyo Grande, Grover City, Pismo Beach, OCSD and the agricultural community. This agreement provided that the division of the safe yield of the basin be accomplished based upon the following figures:

Agreement Summary	
Use	Volume (acre-feet)
URBAN USES	
City of Arroyo Grande	1,202
City of Grovery City	1,198
City of Pismo Beach	700
Oceano CSD	900
	<i>Subtotal</i>
	4,000
OTHER USES	
Applied Irrigation	5,300
Subsurface flow to Ocean	200
	<i>Subtotal</i>
	5,500
	TOTAL
	9,500



- Adjudication Area Boundary
- County Line
- Santa Maria River Valley Groundwater Basin

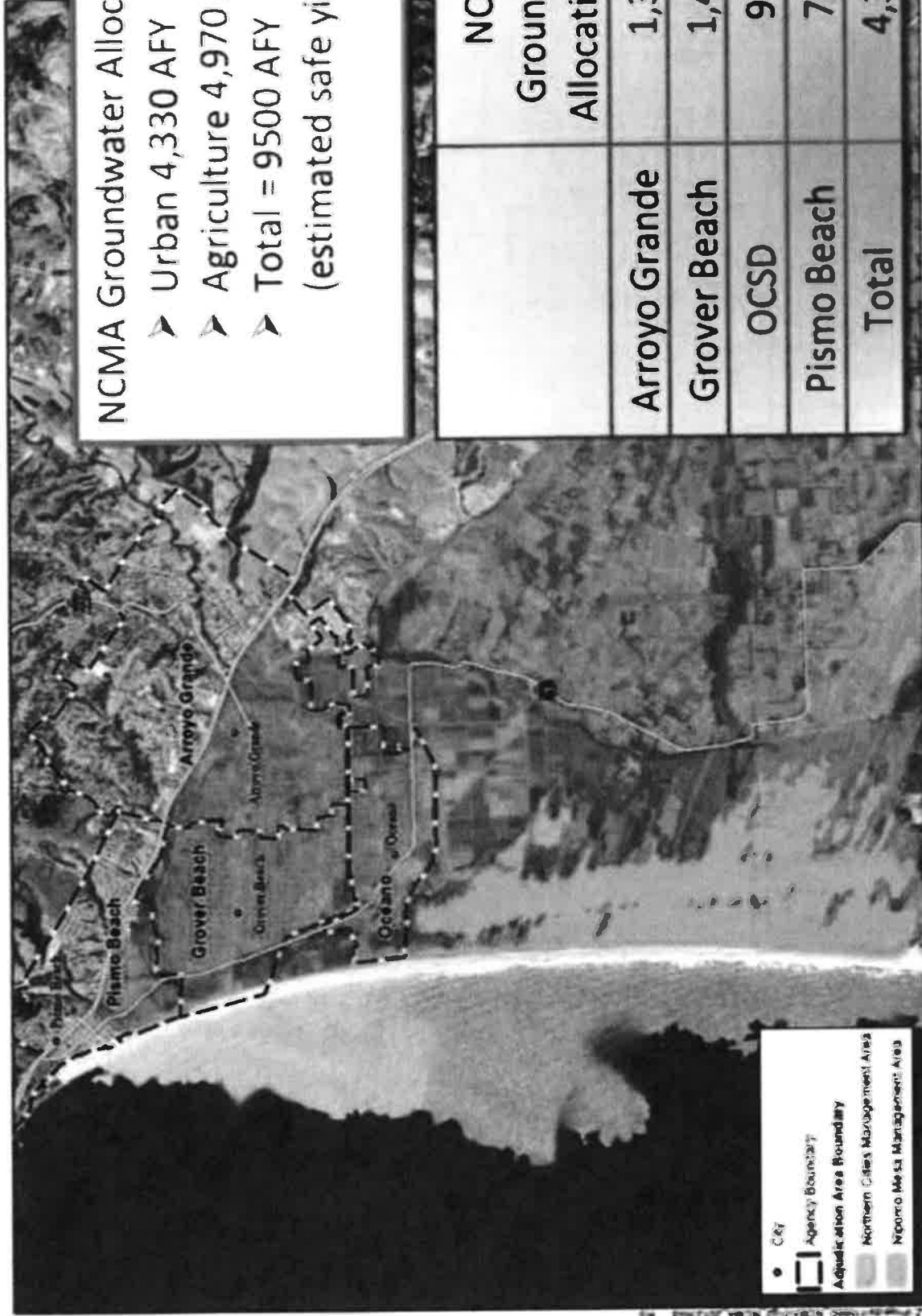


2012 Annual Monitoring Report
 San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties
 Northern Cities Management Area

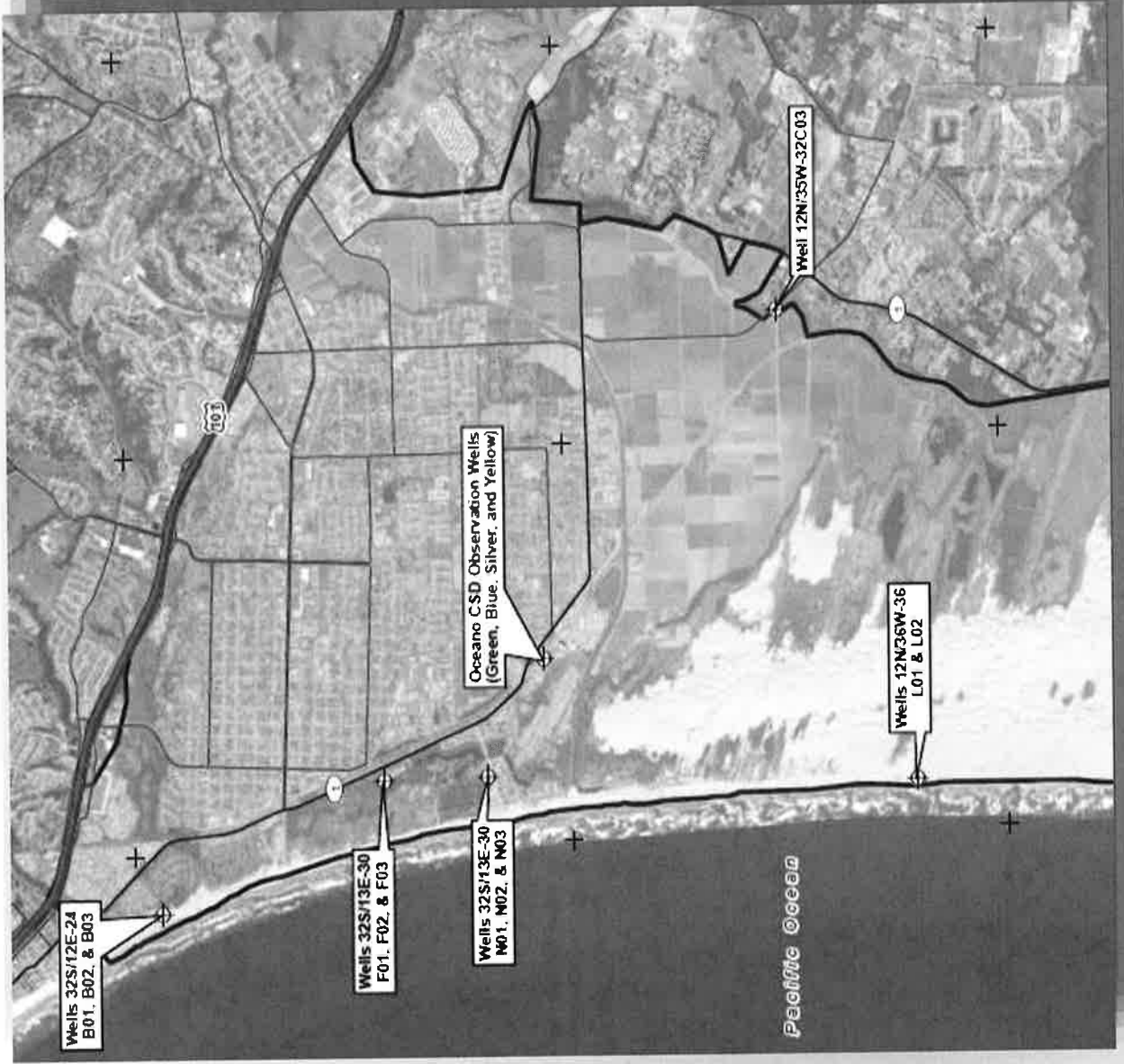


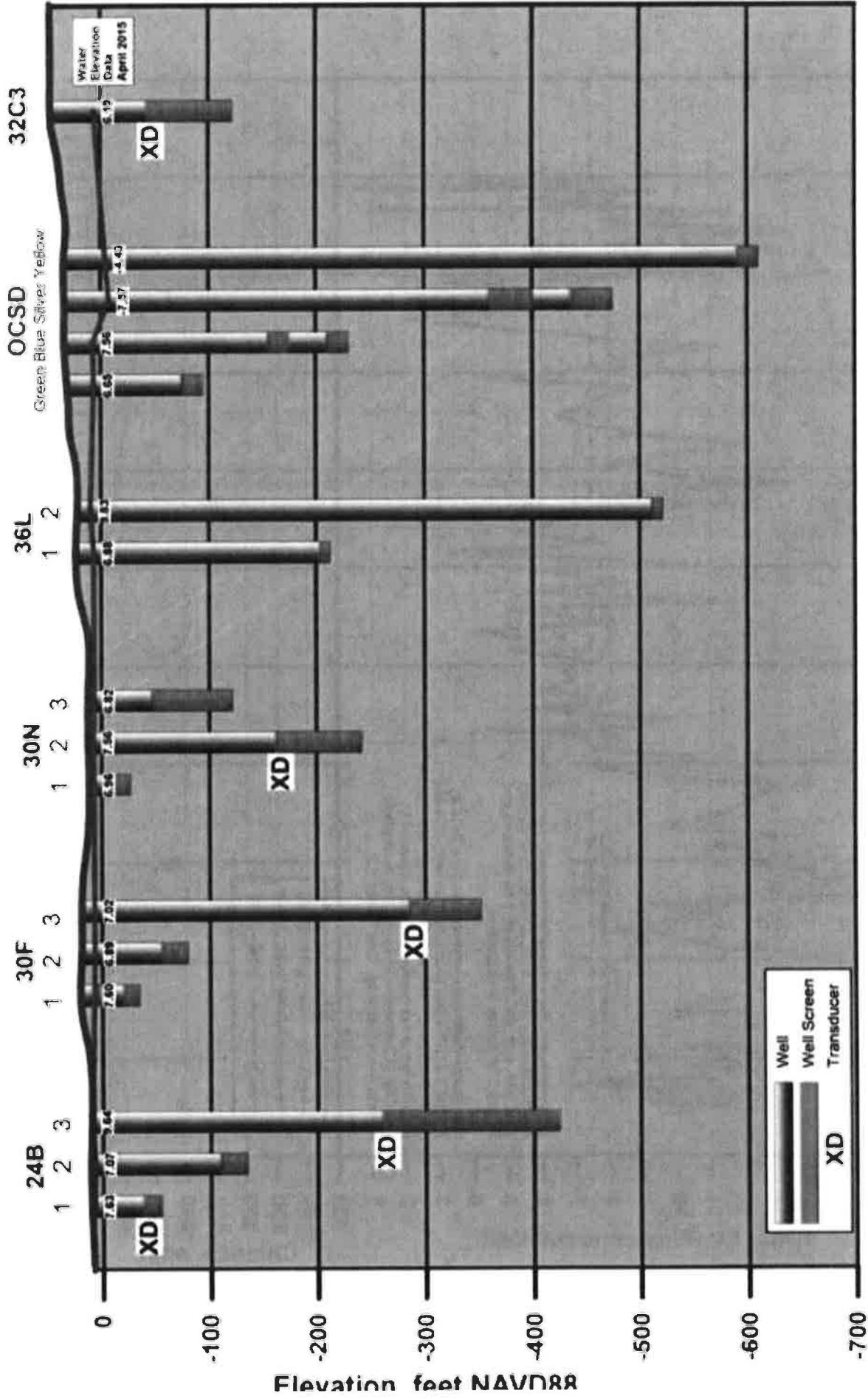
SANTA MARIA RIVER VALLEY
 GROUNDWATER BASIN
 APRIL 2013
 FIGURE 1

Northern Cities Management Area



Location of Sentry Wells Northern Cities Management Area

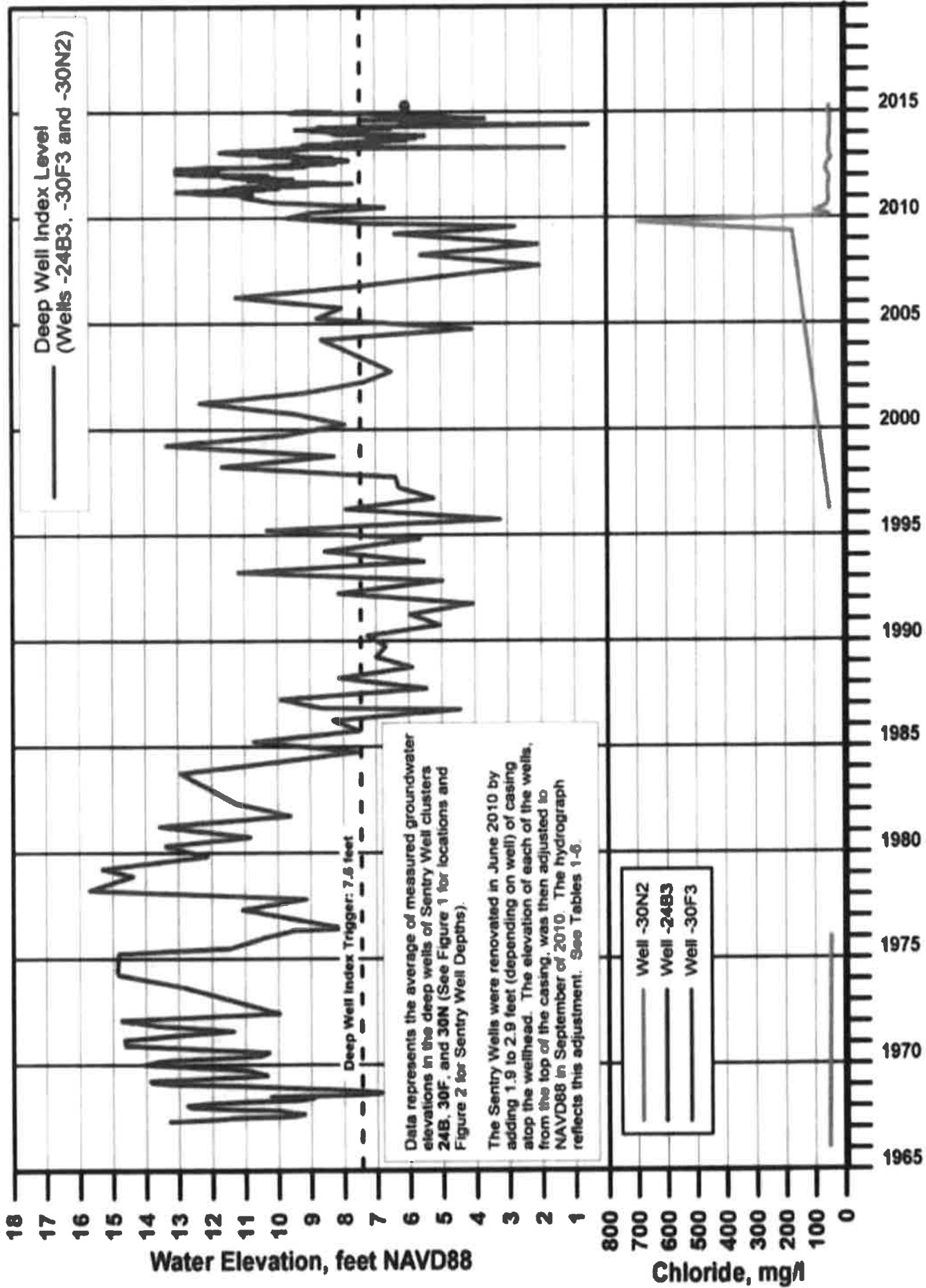




DEPTHS OF SENTRY WELLS, APRIL 2015 WATER LEVEL DATA

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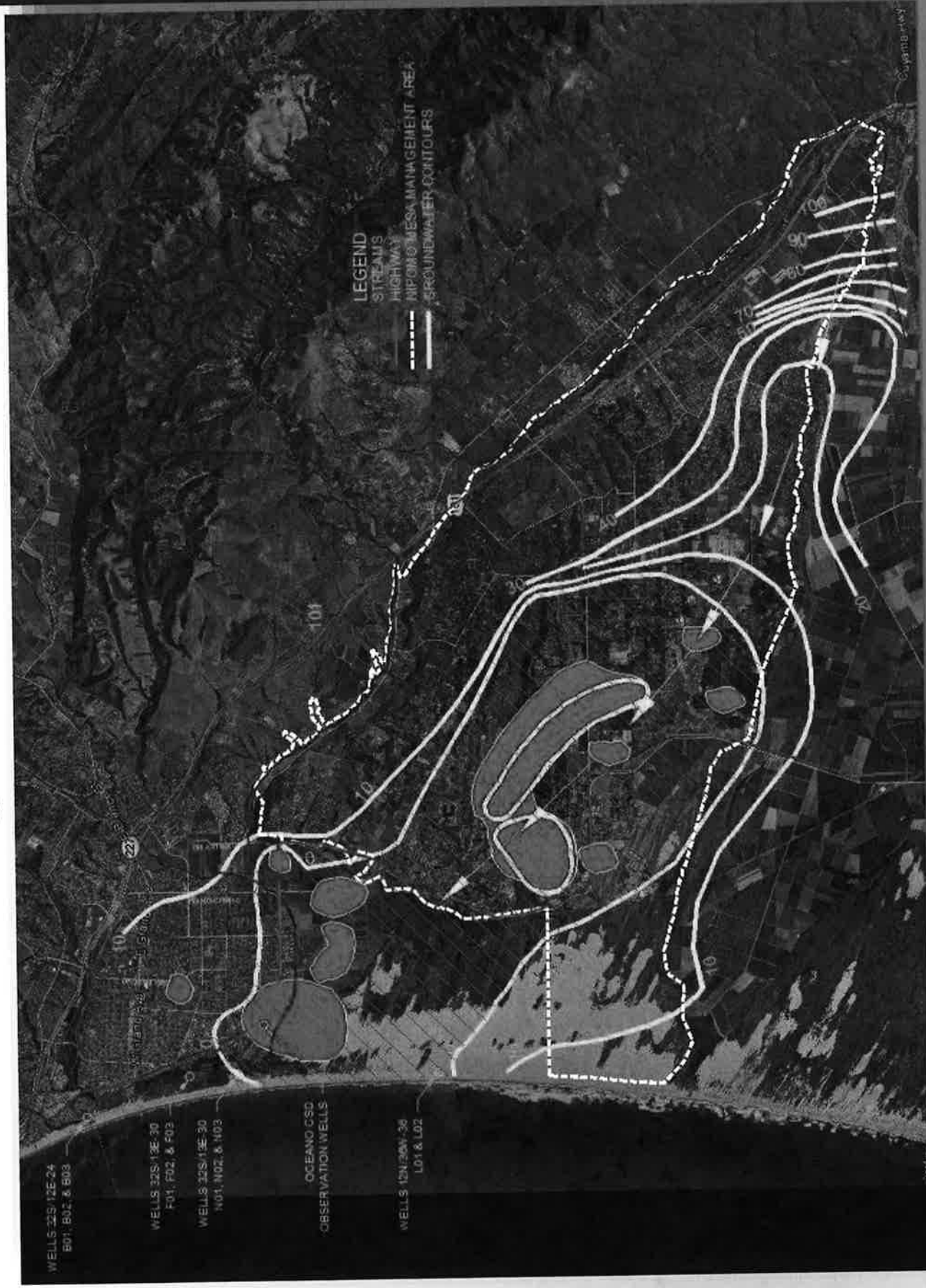
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AVERAGE DEEP SENTRY WELL GROUNDWATER ELEVATION, PERIOD OF RECORD

Northern Cities Management Area
San Luis Obispo County, California

Effects of Drought and Pumping



State Water

SLO County State Water Entitlement:

25,000 ac-ft (in Central Valley Aqueduct)

SLO County Capacity in Coastal Branch of State Water Project:

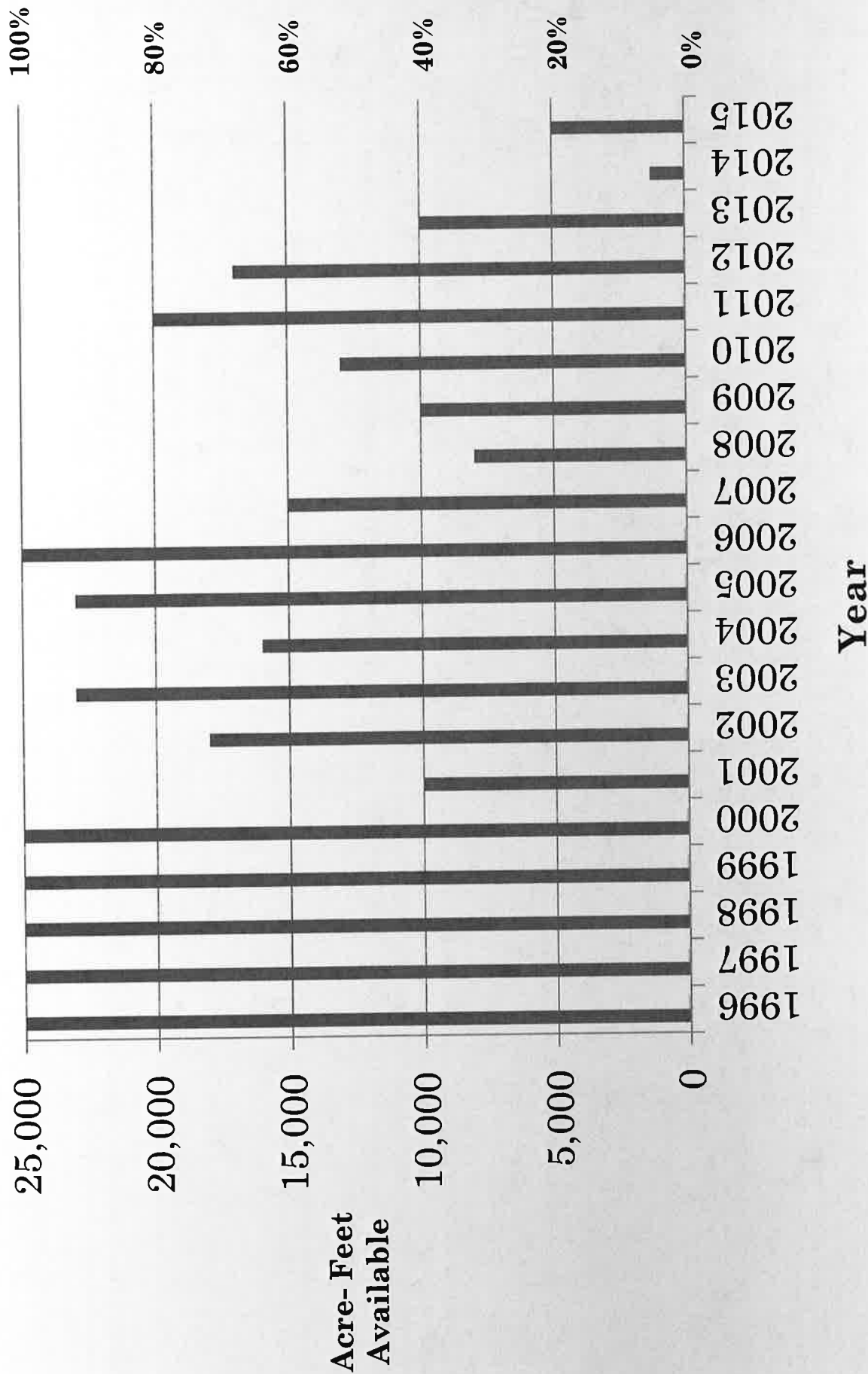
4,750 ac-ft

Northern Cities Entitlements to State Water:

Pismo Beach 1,240 ac-ft

Oceano CSD 750 ac-ft

State Water Availability



Total Water Use by Source



Summary

- Lopez Lake and Groundwater Elevations are at historically low levels while State Water deliveries are at historically low levels.
- Conservation will dramatically extend the availability of these critical water resources.
- Predicted El Nino Conditions may bring a wet winter, but there is no guarantee that this will occur.
- If dry conditions continue, even more restrictive conservation measures will be necessary.

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WATER AGENCY'S LAND PURCHASE RATTLES CALIFORNIA FARMERS

BY ELLIOT SPAGAT AND JAE HONG

ASSOCIATED PRESS

BLYTHE, Calif. (AP) -- The nation's largest distributor of treated drinking water became the largest landowner in a remote California farming region for good reason: The alfalfa-growing area is first in line to get Colorado River water.

Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's play in Palo Verde Valley, along the Arizona line, tapped a deep distrust between farm and city that pervades the West over a river that's a lifeline for seven states and northern Mexico.

Farmers recall how Los Angeles' modern founders built an aqueduct a century ago to bring water hundreds of miles from rural Owens Valley, a story that was fictionally portrayed in Roman Polanski's 1974 film, "Chinatown."

"Are we going to dry up our rural, agricultural communities just to keep Los Angeles, San Francisco and San Diego growing? I think it would be a sad state of affairs," said Bart Fisher, a melon and broccoli farmer who is board president of the Palo Verde Irrigation District.

Metropolitan tried to calm nerves by sending its chairman in September to a public forum in Blythe, 225 miles east of its Los Angeles headquarters. It pledged to honor a 2004 agreement that caps the amount of land it pays farmers to idle at 28 percent of the valley.

That agreement, which expires in 2040, is hailed as a model for farms and cities to cooperate. Metropolitan pays farmers about as much as they would profit to harvest - \$771 an acre this year - to bring foregone Colorado River water on its 242-mile aqueduct to 19 million people in the coastal megalopolis it serves.

Palo Verde enjoys California's highest rights to the river, making them immune to drought.

The dynamic changed when Metropolitan paid \$256 million in July to nearly double its Palo Verde holdings to 29,000 acres, or about 30 percent of the valley. The agency denied its purchase from Verbena LLC, a company that bought the land several years earlier from the Mormon church, was part of an orchestrated plan.

"It's made the farmers out there nervous that we are the largest owner but there was a strategic opportunity that came up," Metropolitan's general manager Jeffrey Kightlinger said.

Metropolitan stirred similar angst this month in Northern California when its board expressed interest in buying farms on several islands in the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta. Its staff said the land could provide water storage and wildlife habitat.

Blythe, a riverside town of about 13,000 people in the Mojave Desert with two state prisons, is an oasis of gas stations, motels and fast-food restaurants on Interstate 10 between Los Angeles and Phoenix. Thomas Blythe staked claim to the river in 1877, beating Southern California cities under a Gold Rush-era doctrine called 'first in time, first in right.'

Los Angeles and its suburbs founded Metropolitan in 1928 to build the remarkably durable Colorado River Aqueduct. Parker Dam and the reservoir it created in Lake Havasu empties into a gray Art Deco-style building with nine pumps that quietly pipe water 300 feet up a steep slope. Teal metal cases that cover the pumps vibrate so little that a nickel placed on top stands on its side.

The water goes uphill through four more pump stations and through tunnels, canals and pipelines before reaching Southern California's coastal plain two days later.

The Colorado's huge man-made reservoirs have made the river an unheralded savior in California's four-year drought. Last year, the river supplied two-thirds of the 1.7 billion gallons of drinking water that Metropolitan delivers daily, up from a third three years earlier.

The river sustains 40 million people and farms 5½ million acres, but white "bathtub rings" lining walls of the nation's largest reservoir in Lake Mead, near Las Vegas, are evidence of shrinking supplies. California took more than it was entitled to until Sunbelt cities like Phoenix and Las Vegas clamored for their share and forced the nation's most populous state to go on a diet in 2003.

"It's really the only supply of water to this otherwise bone-dry region," said Bill Hasencamp, Metropolitan's manager of Colorado River resources.

Metropolitan has diverted up to 118,000 acre feet of water a year from Palo Verde since 2005, enough for about 250,000 households. It paid \$3,170 an acre to farmers who committed for 35 years, plus an annual fee for fallowed land. It idles 7 percent to 28 percent of the valley each year, depending on its needs.

Jack Seiler, a grower who volunteered 900 acres, calls the agreement a "poster child" for farms and cities to cooperate but Metropolitan's July purchase of nearly 13,000 acres unsettled him. It gave Metropolitan the largest voting bloc on Palo Verde's water board.

Metropolitan says it won't have to pay someone else to idle the land it now owns and will lease it to farmers, cutting its net cost to about \$50 million. It voted for incumbents in a September election to Palo Verde's seven-member board, which includes Seiler.

"I obviously don't know why they bought all this land," Seiler said. "It puts us a little bit at odds."

Spagat reported from Parker Dam, California.

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REBATES

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Jessica Matson:

It was nice talking with you regarding the Save Our Water residential rebate program for turf and toilet replacement that is currently being delivered through the Department of Water Resources (DWR). Here are the program marketing materials and website messaging instructions we discussed.

The rebate on High Efficiency toilets (1.28 GPF or less) is up to \$100 and is limited to a single toilet per qualified household. The toilet rebate is available statewide on the replacement of older toilets that have usage greater than 1.6 gallons per flush.

The State Turf Replacement program will rebate up to \$2 per square foot of turf removed, with a cap of 1,000 square feet, for a maximum rebate of \$2,000 per household to applicants who reside in the service area of agencies that have not previously offered turf rebate programs of \$2 per square foot. Applicants residing in service areas of agencies that are offering a turf rebate less than \$2 per square foot are eligible to apply to the State program to augment their local rebate up to a maximum total of \$2 per square foot of combined rebate. Applicants residing in the service area of agencies that have had turf rebate programs in 2014 or 2015 that offered \$2 per square foot are not eligible regardless of whether or not the applicant received any funds.

To assist local agencies in communicating the availability of these rebates to their customers, the program has developed some useful marketing materials. For the turf rebate program, we have made available a series of web marketing button links that can easily be added to your website. These direct interested consumers to the Save Our Water Rebates program website and online application. The button links and instructions on how to add one or more to your website are located at SaveOurWaterRebates.com/buttons. Additionally, we have developed a two-sided turf rebate fact sheet (enclosed) that you may use to educate and distribute to customers through your various consumer outreach activities.

The Toilet Replacement rebate program is currently being marketed in over 375 retailers throughout the State, including Home Depot and Lowes stores and many independent retailers. We have included samples of the in-store marketing materials currently in place. These include cling labels and stickers that are affixed to the toilet display models and packaging, aisle signage and laminated pocket cards for the retailer's Sales Associates, allowing them to provide program information directly to their customers.

If you have questions regarding the program or would like additional program marketing materials and support please contact Jose Valadez, Outreach Coordinator at (916) 480-7331 or email jvaladez@egia.org. For more information regarding the toilet and turf rebate programs, including detailed program terms and conditions please visit SaveOurWaterRebates.com

Thank you for your support of this statewide drought response initiative!

Save Our Water Rebate Program
3800 Watt Ave, Suite 105
Sacramento, CA 95821

Phone: 844-642-7410
Fax: 888-593-1258





TURF REPLACEMENT REBATES UP TO \$2,000!

The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) is now offering a rebate program for removing turf and replacing it with landscapes that require little water.



The program will rebate up to \$2 per square foot of turf removed with a maximum rebate of \$2,000 per household.*



Rebates are available for California single-family residences only.



Rebates are awarded on a first-come-first-served basis and are subject to funding availability.

“ Together, we can save precious water today and invest in a more sustainable future. ”

– Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr.

SIMPLE 2-STEP REBATE PROCESS!

STEP 1

1. Submit the application at www.SaveOurWaterRebates.com to determine if you qualify for a reservation.
2. Receive your reservation approval to begin the conversion project.
3. Start and complete your Turf Replacement project per the program guidelines.

STEP 2

1. Complete the rebate application at www.SaveOurWaterRebates.com for review.
2. Receive your rebate approval notice.
3. Receive your rebate check!



To view terms and conditions, verify eligibility, and apply, visit:

www.SaveOurWaterRebates.com

* Rebate availability and \$ amount eligibility per square foot depends on your location and water agency.



LANDSCAPE SPECIFIC TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. Turf may be living or dead at the time of application for a reservation. Bare earth areas with no sign of turf are not eligible.
2. The turf must still be in place at the time of application for the rebate to be approved.
3. This program does not specify the method of turf removal.
4. The rebated portion of the converted landscape must include plants in a minimum of 25% of the converted area at maturity.
5. The rebated portion of the converted landscapes may only include low water use, drought-tolerant or California native plants. The Water Use Classification of Landscape Species list (<http://ucanr.edu/sites/WUCOLS/>) or local plant lists may be used to make this selection.
6. One exception is that the rebated portion of the converted landscape may also include food-producing trees, shrubs, vines and perennial plants.
7. At least one tree, existing or new, must be incorporated into the converted landscape.
8. Live or synthetic turf is not allowed in the rebated portion of the converted landscape.
9. Requires drip irrigation, micro-spray irrigation or hand watering.
10. Requires mulch on all exposed soil surfaces. Mulch includes organic material, rock, decomposed granite or rubber bark. Decomposed granite and rubber bark must be limited to 25 percent or less of the surface area.
11. Impervious decks or patios are not allowed as part of the rebated converted landscape.
12. Structures such as outbuildings or sheds are not allowed as part of the rebated footage of the converted landscape.
13. Paving stones, pavers and brick patios are permitted but must be filled with loose material. No concrete or impermeable grouting may be used to affix the pavers in place.
14. Turf replacement and landscape conversion must be completed within 120 days of application approval.

To view full terms and conditions, visit: www.SaveOurWaterRebates.com

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NIPOMO COMMUNITY
SERVICES DISTRICT

November 16, 2015

Mr. Michael LeBrun
Nipomo Community Services District
P.O. Box 326
Nipomo, CA 93444

Dear Mr. LeBrun:

Enclosed please find your organization's one-page ballot for the 2015 Board of Directors Election. This election will determine Council Board members for the 2016-2017 term. Voting Member organizations are entitled to one ballot per organization for their Group's representatives. Please be sure to fill out your organization's name at the bottom of the ballot. You may send your completed ballot to the Council via US Mail or by fax to (916) 552-5877. The deadline to receive ballots in the Council office either by mail or fax is 5:00 pm on December 8, 2015. Member representatives who attend the Plenary meeting on December 9, 2015, in Livermore at Zone 7 Water Agency, may vote by paper ballot at the meeting as long as they have not previously voted by fax or mail.

As we look forward to the upcoming year, we hope you will join us as we thank our exiting 2014-2015 Board Members for their hard work and dedication to the Council, as well as the invaluable time and effort put in over the year from our exiting Board Chair Heather Cooley.

Sincerely,



Gregory Weber
Executive Director

Enclosure



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Official Ballot
CUWCC Group 1 Board of Directors Representatives Election
Wednesday, December 9, 2015

*Instructions to Vote: Group 1 Voting Members are eligible to vote. Please submit your vote by completing this ballot and 1) scanning and emailing it to office@cuwcc.org by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, December 8th, or 2) faxing it to 916-552-5877 by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, December 8th; **OR** 2) bringing it to the Council Plenary meeting with you.*

Chair

For the Chair of the Board of Director's One-Year Term

- Joe Berg, Municipal Water District of Orange County
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Coast Region

For the Board of Directors representing the Coast Region- Two-Year Term

- Sonoma County Water Agency (Carrie Pollard)
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South Region

For the Board of Directors representing the South Region- Two-Year Term

- Inland Empire Utilities Agency (Lisa Morgan-Perales)
 Mesa Water District (Justin Finch)
 Western Municipal Water District (Rob Whipple)
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Voting Utility Name: _____

Group 1 Voting Utility Representative: _____

Print Name Only ONE ballot per Voting Utility

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