TO:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM:

MARIO IGLESIAS

GENERAL MANAGER

DATE:

February 17, 2017



FEBRUARY 22, 2017

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

ITEM

Standing report to your Honorable Board -- Period covered by this report is February 4, 2017 through February 17, 2017.

DISTRICT BUSINESS

Administrative

The District encourages residents to provide reports of any observed water waste. During the wetter winter months, there are fewer calls about water wasting. There were no reports of excessive water use in January. When calls of excessive water use are received, staff follows up each report with phone calls and written notice to customers when warranted.

Office Activities

	Jan-17	Jul-16/Jan-17
Reports of water waste followed up on	0	2
Leak Adjustments	1	13
Leak Adjustment Amount	\$203	\$3,410

Water Resources

1) Total Production (AF)

Jan-17	Year to date July-Jan-17
19.8	557.5
<u>72.9</u>	500.1
108.8	985.0
	19.8 <u>72.9</u>

In January 2017, NCSD imported 72.9 AF of water over the 31 day period: averaging 531 gallons per minute for a daily total of over 766,000 gallons per day. For the seven months, July through January, the District imported 500 AF of supplemental water. NCSD is 33 AF over the minimum scheduled take of 467 AF for this time period. For Fiscal Year 2017, NCSD is obligated to take or pay for a minimum of 800 AF from the City of Santa Maria ("CSM"). To import this amount of water, NCSD must average 66.7 AF per month from CSM.

2) Production vs. 28% State Reduction Target in Acre Feet (AF)

		Year-to-Date
	Jan-17	Jul-16/Jan-17
Total Production (Annual Running Average)	92.6	1,077.6
Total Production for 2013	<u>124.0</u>	1,562.2
Reduction	-31.4	-484.6
Percentage Reduction	25.3%	31.0%
State Reduction Mandate	28.0%	28.0%
Difference in Percent Reduction vs. Targeted Reduction	-2.7%	3.0%

For January 2017, the community fell short of the month-to-month State-mandated reduction by 2.7%. However, the cumulative State-mandated reduction was met; there has been a 31.0% reduction to date from cumulative 2013 consumption levels.

3) Production vs. NMMA Reduction Target for the Period

	Jan-17	July-16/Jan-17
Total GW Production	19.8	557.5
Average Production for 2009-2013	<u> 142.1</u>	1,526.8
Reduction	-105.4	-949.4
GW Reduction Percentage	86.1%	62.2%
Target Reduction per NMMA	50.0%	50.0%
Difference in Percent Reduction vs. Targeted Reduction	36.1%	12.2%

Table 3 does not include the 33.3% purveyor credit. Refer to Table 4 for the calculated groundwater pumping reduction NCSD claims for this time period.

4) NCSD GW Reduction

NCSD GW Well Production adding Purveyor Credit	Jan-17	July-16/Jan-17
NCSD GW Well Production	19.8	557.5
Purveyor Customer Credit (33.3% of Import Water) NCSD Total Calculated GW Production	<u>24.3</u> 44.0	<u>141.6</u> 744.2
Average GW Production for 2009-2013	142.1	1,526.8
NCSD Percentage of GW Reduction	69.0%	51.3%

The District's purveyor customers, GSWC and WMWC, each claim 16.66% (cumulatively 33.33%) of the imported water NCSD brings onto the basin through the NSWP. Of the 800 AF planned to be imported from CSM, 266.6 AF will be credited to these two customers. A portion of this amount must be added to the District's groundwater pumping total every month to reflect the groundwater pumped by these customers in-lieu of taking wet water from the District.

The District reduced groundwater pumping by 89% for the month of January compared to the 5-year average (2009-2013). Taking into consideration the above referenced purveyor customer credit, the District can claim a cumulative groundwater pumping reduction for the first seven months of fiscal year 2017 of 51.3%. At the current Stage IV level of NMMA's Water Shortage Condition and Response Plan, the District must reduce its dependency on groundwater by 50% for the year, a goal the community has achieved.

Rainfall Gauge

Rainfall Summary (Reported in inches)	Nipomo East (Dana Hills Reservoirs)	Nipomo South (Southland Plant)
January 2017 Total	11.82	12.05
July-2016 through Feb. 16, 2017 (Seasonal Total)	25.18	18.20
Average Annual Year Rainfall	18	16

Safety Program

No accidents or incidents to report.

Public Outreach

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

Other Items and News of Interest

- 1. NCSD Town Sewer Plant Saving 90,000 gallons/month (Switch to Plant Water)
- 2. Training with Cal-Fire AED Use
- 3. Staff Customer Service Workshop 5 Teammates at Local Training [Attached]

Supplemental Water Capacity Accounting

The District is not currently accepting applications for new water service.

Supplemental Water Available for Allocation	500	AFY
Supplemental Water Reserved (Will Serve Letters Issued)	-23.2	AFY
Subtotal Net Supplemental Water Available for Allocation	476.8	AFY
Supplemental Water Assigned (Intent-to-Serve Issued)	-189.4	AFY
Total Remaining Supplemental Water Available for Allocation	287.4	AFY

As of January 31, 2017

Connection Report

The Connection Report is current through January 2017.

Nipomo Community Services District

Water and Sewer Connections	JUL-16	AUG-16	SEP-16	OCT-16	NOV-16	DEC-16	JAN-17
Water Connections (Total)	4352	4355	4365	4365	4367	4368	4364
Sewer Connections (Total)	3137	3139	3149	3149	3153	3154	3154
New Water Connections	0	3	10	0	2	1	-4*
New Sewer Connection	0	2	10	0	4	1	0
Galaxy & PSHH at Orchard and Division							
Sewer Connections billed to the County	468	468	468	468	469	469	469

^{*4} irrigation meters were shut and locked.

Meetings (February 5 through February 18)

Meetings Attended (telephonically or in person):

- Feb 6, Personnel Evaluation 1st Meet Sevcik
- Feb 6, NCSD Admin Subcommittee
- Feb 7, Public Information Director
- Feb 7, Eng/Admin Bimonthly
- Feb 8, Rotary
- Feb 8, Regular Board Meeting
- Feb 9, B. Newton Geohydrology Consulting
- Feb 9, NCMA/NMMA Management Group
- Feb 9. Pete Kampa, Expert Witness
- Feb 9, Supervisor Compton/Cal-trans
- Feb 13, Personnel Evaluation 2nd Meet, Sevcik
- Feb 13, Management Team
- Feb 13, W. McDonald, RWG
- Feb 13, Board Officers
- Feb 14, Public Information Director
- Feb 15, Rotary
- Feb 15, SM Basin Fringe Area GSA County
- Feb 15, SLO County CSD Managers
- Feb 16, SB/SLO County Joint PIWC
- Feb 17, Quarterly All-crew Safety Meeting

- Feb 17, Blacklake MHOA
- Feb 18, Supervisor Compton Comm. Meet Blacklake

Meetings Scheduled (February 19 through February 25):

- Feb 20 , President's Holiday
- Feb 21, NMMA Purveyor Managers
- Feb 21, Eng/Admin Bimonthly Meeting
- Feb 22, Rotary
- Feb 22, Regular Board Meeting
- Feb 22, Public Information Director
- Feb 23, W. McDonald RWG/NCSD Update
- Feb 23, Management Team Meeting
- Feb 24, NMMA-TG Meeting

Water Resource Meetings

- NMMA-TG: February 24th @ 10:00 AM, NCSD Office
- RWMG: TBD @ 10:00 AM, SLO Library
- WRAC: March 1 @ 1:30 PM, SLO Library

RECOMMENDATION

Staff seeks direction and input from your Honorable Board

ATTACHMENTS

- A. NCSD Outreach Summary
- B. February 15, 2017 Workshop: Dealing Successfully with Customers

February 22, 2017

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ATTACHMENT A

NCSD Outreach Summary February 2017

	Date Started	Outreach	Description	Status	Date Completed		
	2/2/2016	Blacklake Outreach	Outreach plan for Blacklake Master Plan	In Progress			
*	1/18/2017	Manager's Column	Article for Manager's Column in Adobe Press, pub date 1/27	Complete	1/23/2017		
	1/23/2017	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	1/23/2017		
	1/17/2017	Public Information Program Review	Annual presentation on outreach activities	Complete	1/25/2017		
	1/25/2017	Press Release	Board Decides not to Enforce Additional Stage IV Conservation Measures Further Review to Take Place in the Spring	Complete	1/27/2017		
*	1/30/2017	Ad	Conservation ad in 2/3 Adobe	Complete	1/30/2017		
	1/30/2017	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	1/30/2017		
	12/19/2016	Customer Satisfaction Survey	Summary of survey results	Complete	2/2/2017		
	1/20/2017	Social Media	Content posting	Complete	2/2/2017		
	1/20/2017	Website Updates	Home page; minutes; packets; Board updates; articles; etc	Complete	2/2/2017		
*	2/6/2017	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	2/6/2017		
*	2/9/2017	Press Release	Board Awards Contract for Palms Lift Station Rehabilitation Project Engineering Services	Complete	2/9/2017		
*	2/13/2017	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	2/13/2017		
	2/13/2017	Ad	Conservation ad in 2/17 Adobe	Complete	2/13/2017		
	2/3/2017	Social Media	Content posting	Complete	2/16/2017		
	2/3/2017	Website Updates	Home page; minutes; packets; Board updates; articles; etc	Complete	2/16/2017		
	10/25/2016	Customer Info Packets	Creation of information packets for new customers	In Progress			
	1/3/2017	Rate Study	Outreach plan for 2017 Rate Study	In Progress			

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2/6/2017	District Newsletter	2017 1st quarter newsletter for February distribution	In Progress	
	Manager's Column	lΔrticle for Manager's Column in L	In Progress	

^{*} Included in Packet

http://santamariatimes.com/news/san_luis_obispo_county_news/inside-ncsd-lesson-learned-preparing-for-droughts-ahead/article_1810ee31-b0bf-5c3b-88a9-3eebb6595e28.html

INSIDE NCSD

Inside NCSD: Lesson learned – preparing for droughts ahead

Jan 25, 2017



Mario Iglesias

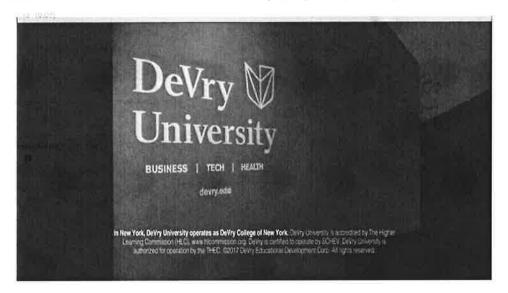
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The executive summary of the 20x2020 Water Conservation Plan may have tapped into an understanding we Californians need to internalize as the population grows (http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/water_issues/hot_topics/20x2020/).

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Until next time...

Mario Iglesias is the general manager for the Nipomo Community Services District.

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What dog breed won best in show the year you were born?

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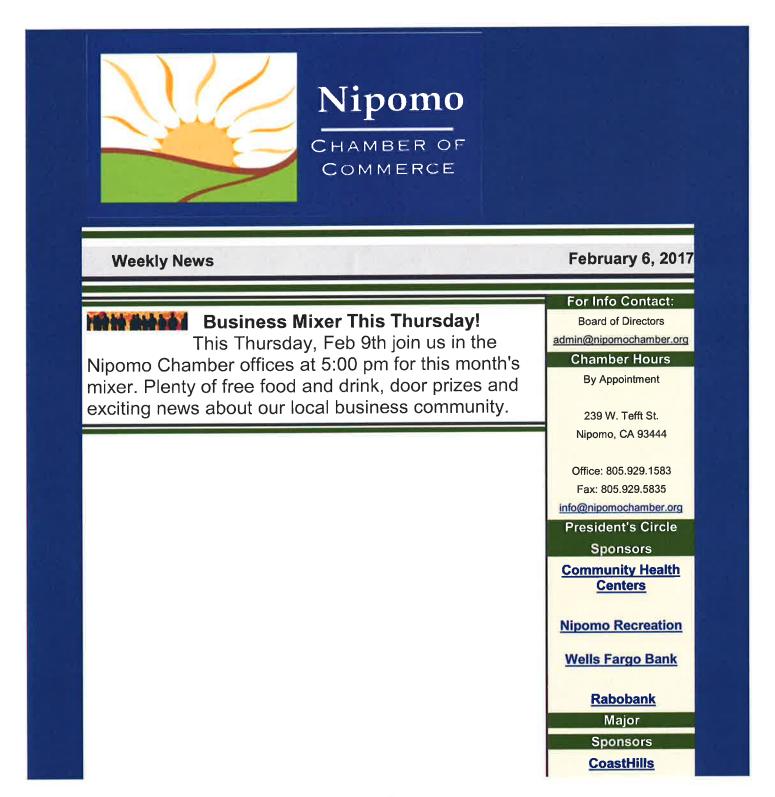
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Tuesday, February 7, 2017 12:39 PM

To: Jessica Matson

Subject: Weekly News - February 6, 2017





Manager's Column Adobe Press; Inside the NCSD January 27, 2017 Issue

Lesson Learned - Preparing for Droughts Ahead The mission of the Nipomo Community Services District is to provide its customers with reliable, quality, and cost-effective services now and in the future.

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Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2017 11:29 AM

To: Jessica Matson

Subject: Weekly News - February 15, 2017





Weekly News

February 15, 2017

Steak Sandwiches This Friday!

Rain or shine we will be doing our delicious BBQ Steak Sandwiches this Friday, February 17 in front of the Chamber offices @ 239 W. Tefft St starting at 11:00 am. Just \$10 gets you a Sandwich, Chips, Beverage & Cookie. Presales and delivery available. Contact Rudy (805)709-1339.

Talk on "Jim Beckwourth - More Than a Man of His Times"

Nipomo, California - The Dana Adobe is hosting a talk on African-American legendary figures that helped settle the West. One such gentleman who worked on the Dana Rancho was murdered and died in the Adobe. Where he came from and who he was remains a mystery. But the most famous of all was Jim Beckwourth. In celebration of Black History Month, Mr. Bechwourth's life will be the topic of the presentation. He characterized the rugged individualism that made America. He rose out of slavery; was freed by his white father at the age of 19, and traveled west, to become one of the most notorious mountain men of the 19th century. He was fluent in English, French and Spanish as well as many dialects of Native American language.

Pursing adventure and fame, Jim crossed the United States working as a hunter, tracker, trail blazer and dispatch rider for the United States military. He was also a, merchant and Crow chief. By the time

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he died in1866 he had a history of deeds that legends are made of. His contribution to the development of California is just recently being discovered and appreciated.

In this talk, Helen Daurio, a DANA Board member and docent, will highlight details of his life, deeds, and tall tales. "Mountain men told tales," Daurio explains, "tall tales and Beckwourth was one of the best story tellers of his time. "He is a very important historical figure like Kit Carson or Jededia Smith and yet people know so little about him," comments Daurio.

DANA takes a special interest in Beckwourth because he was a frequent visitor at the Dana Adobe which was the mail exchange point for the first mail service in California. Beckwourth was the mail courier for the first three months the service ran. He also discovered the first mass-murder in SLO County at the San Miguel Mission when the Reid household was murdered.

Come discover this All-American mountain man on, Sunday, February 19th at 2:00 p.m. at the Dana Adobe, 671 S. Oakglen, Nipomo, CA, 93444.

More information is available at www.danaadobe.org or call 805-929-5679. CoastHills

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Press Release Log 2017

Date of PR	Title	Date Sent to Date Placed Media On Website	Date Placed On Website	Media Pub	Date PR Published	Media Published	Date PR Published	Media Published	Date PR Published	Media Published
1/13/2017	NCSD Board of Directors Recognize Nipomo Students for Efforts in Conservation Poster Contest	1/13/2017	1/13/2017	SM Times	1/18/2017	Adobe	1/19/2017	BC Water News	1/16/2017	
1/17/2017	Nipomo CSD Swears in Directors and Elects Board Officers for 2017	1/17/2017	1/17/2017							
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2/9/2017	Board Awards Contract for Palms Lift Station Rehabilitation Project Engineering Services	2/9/2017	2/9/2017							

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: February 9, 2017

Contact: Mario Iglesias, General Manager Nipomo Community Services District 148 S. Wilson St., Nipomo, CA 93444

Phone: (805) 929-1133 - Email: miglesias@ncsd.ca.gov



Board Awards Contract for Palms Lift Station Rehabilitation Project Engineering Services

At its February 8th Regular Meeting the District's Board of Directors awarded a contract for engineering services for the Palms Lift Station Rehabilitation Project to Cannon Corporation in the amount of \$83,496.

The District operates and maintains the Nipomo Palms Lift Station located off Beverly Drive in Nipomo. This lift station provides sewer service to mainly single and multi-family residential homes. The existing lift station is over 30 years old and is the most active in the District's system.

Cannon provided a preliminary engineering evaluation of the lift station in March 2016 and identified numerous operational issues. Constructing a new lift station was recommended as the best long-term option. Cannon will develop the plans and specifications for the replacement lift station.

The Project is scheduled to go to bid later this summer.

Next Scheduled Board Meeting: Wednesday, February 22nd, 9AM, District Jon S. Seitz Board Room, 148 South Wilson, Nipomo.

For more information please contact the Nipomo Community Services District at 929-1133, info@ncsd.ca.gov or visit www.ncsd.ca.gov.

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Established in 1965 to meet the health and sanitation needs of the local community, Nipomo Community Services is pleased to provide a wide variety of services throughout its district including the provision of water, sewer, and waste management services as well as lighting and drainage in limited areas. The mission of Nipomo Community Services District is to provide its customers with reliable, quality, and cost-effective services now and in the future.



Rain continues but Central Coast remains in severe drought

Posted: Feb 06, 2017 6:17 PM PST Updated: Feb 06, 2017 6:36 PM PST

By Brooke Martell

The hills around the Central Coast are greener than they've been in months and even though we're seeing more rain than we did last year, the latest models indicate the drought isn't over for the Central Coast.

According to the <u>U.S. Drought Monitor</u>, San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties remain in the "severe" category. David Simeral, one of the eleven authors of the U.S. Drought Monitor, says it's difficult to speculate whether the area will make it out of the drought.



"The hydrologic impacts have been taking longer to recover, so that's why you're seeing the severe and extreme drought classification," Simeral said.

He says the drought is measured in a variety of ways, particularly through reservoir levels, surface water, and ground water to name a few.

One way in which data is being collected locally is through rain gauges. Ray Dienzo, the San Luis Obispo County Works Technical Unit Supervisor showed KSBY the rain gauge located at The Gas Company on Industrial Way in San Luis Obispo. The gauge is one of 25 gauges throughout the county that tracks rainfall. Dienzo says data collected is sent to the National Weather Service Division in Oxnard. From there, the information is sent to the U.S. Drought Monitor, assisting in assessing the current state of the drought.

"Numbers that we're seeing now is at or above the actual average for the whole year, and there's still a few months of the rain season left," Dienzo said.

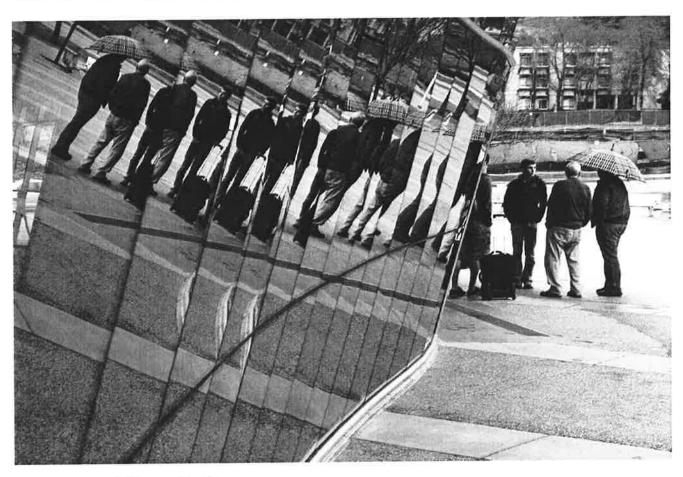
KSBY Chief Meteorologist Dave Hovde weighed in on the current state of the drought.

"What we have to remember is that drought is a big picture thing," Hovde said. "It's more helpful to think about the last 60 months than it is the last 6 or 12 months. In that way, even though it is so wet out here, it's easier to say why we're still in a drought."

While Northern California is out of the drought, the big question remains when San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties will be out of it, too.

"Can I see us getting out of it this year? Yeah, but I think we'll probably be really, really close," Hovde said. "The important thing functionally is that we won't be dealing with all of the problems."

RAINY REFLECTIONS



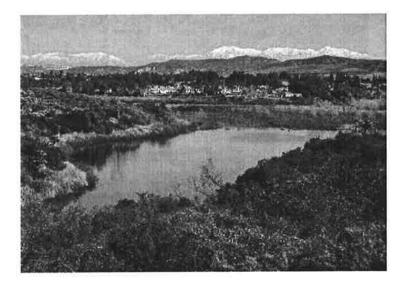
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Cal Poly aeronautical engineering students and faculty wait in the rain outside the Performing Arts Center on Thursday for their ride to a presentation they will make in San Diego. Throughout the day, much of the Central Coast received gentle showers, with few power outages or accidents reported. As of Thursday afternoon, Rocky Butte had received 1.81 inches, Cambria had received 0.5 inches, and most other areas were at 0.3 inches. Areas in the South County, such as Nipomo and Arroyo Grande, were at 0.2 inches, PG&E meteorologist John Lindsey said. Lindsey predicted that rainfall amounts will be heavier Friday, with areas receiving between a half-inch and 1 inch of rain.

- GABBY FERREIRA

California regulators keep drought measures, for now

BY SCOTT SMITH
The Associated Press



MARK RIGHTMIRE The Orange County Register

The snow-covered San Gabriel Mountains and the Peters Canyon Reservoir in Peters Canyon Regional Park in Orange in January show the much-needed water and snowpack from winter storms.

Water regulators in California on Wednesday extended what are now largely symbolic conservation measures lingering from the drought after the state has seen one of the wettest winters in years.

The current regulations are largely symbolic because roughly 80 percent of California water districts say they have ample supplies and aren't requiring residents to cut back on how often they water lawns and flush toilets.

Regulators decided to retain the measures at least until spring as a precaution against the possible return of dry weather.

"I don't think there's just one way to go," Felicia Marcus, chair off the State Water Resources Control Board, said after several local water districts urged members to lift the regulations. "The better decision is to extend it and see later where we are."

Republican state Sen. Jim Nielsen is leading a coalition of lawmakers and water districts that believe it's time for Gov. Jerry Brown to end the emergency and accompanying drought rules – or lose the public's trust.

"This is an emergency?" Nielsen, who represents an area of Tehama County, asked before the meeting. "It's pretty hard to argue to the public, the citizens of California, that we are now in an emergency." State residents used roughly 20 percent less water in December compared to the same time in 2013, the year before the drought emergency was declared, officials reported during the board meeting.

Enough water has been saved since mandatory conservation began in June 2015 to serve nearly one-third of the state's population for a year.

In January, storms drenched the state and filled some reservoirs. The Sierra Nevada snowpack, which provides much of the state's water as it melts in the spring, recently measured at 182 percent of normal.

The rain total in downtown Los Angeles since October – the start of the wet season – has reached $15^{1}/2$ inches, far exceeding the normal annual rainfall.

It's unclear whether Brown might lift the drought emergency, independent of any water board actions.

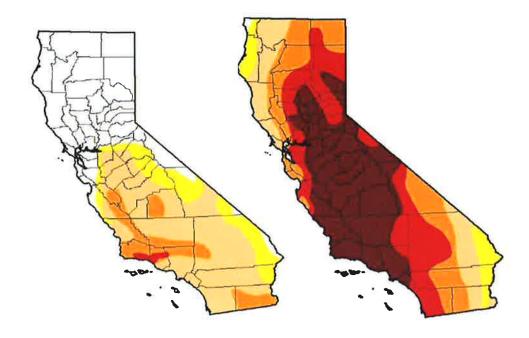
Brown declared the drought emergency in 2014 during the driest four-year period in California's recorded history.

He later ordered California's nearly 40 million people to cut water use by 25 percent – the first mandate of its kind in the state.

The State Water Resources Control Board relaxed the requirement last year, letting districts set their own conservation measures.

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SLO County goes from exceptional drought to moderate drought in just 6 weeks





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The drought isn't over yet, but much of San Luis Obispo County has been downgraded from exceptional drought to moderate drought thanks to the deluge of rain over the past six weeks, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor.

PG&E meteorologist John Lindsey tweeted a picture of the current drought map next to the state map from last February, with the caption, "What a difference one year makes!"

SLO COUNTY IS HAVING ITS RAINIEST MONTH IN 20 YEARS. HERE'S WHAT THAT MEANS FOR THE DROUGHT.

Locally, the bulk of the change can be credited to 2017's wet start. As recently as Dec. 27, much of SLO County remained in exceptional drought. But no longer.

As of Thursday, the U.S. Drought monitor reported that 53 percent of California is completely drought-free, and not a single area of the state is in exceptional drought.

Meanwhile, more rain is on the way. Between 1.5 and 2.5 inches of rain are forecast from Thursday night through Friday, Lindsey said.

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2017 Website Traffic Summary

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Bounce	54.52%	48.86%	59.62%	51.31%	58.51%	63.53%														
Avg. Visit	0:02:17	0:02:15	0:01:31	0:01:48	0:02:01	0:01:31														
Pages/Visit	2	2.03	1.84	2.03	1.83	1.79														
Pageviews	641	710	671	541	688	588														
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Visits	321	350	364	267	376	329														
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2016 Facebook Summary

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Week	New Users	Comment Likes	Comment Shares	User Posts/ Messages	*Content Views	Most Popular Post
2016	85					
12/9/16 - 1/4/17 (27 days)	∞	1	1	0	1841	The 2016 Customer Survey will be open for a couple more days. Let us know what you think at www.ncsd.ca.gov (275 views)
1/5/17 - 1/19/17 (15 days)	Н	1	0	2	588	Students from Lange Elementary School, Dana Elementary, and Nipomo Elementary were recognized by the Board this morning for their participation in the District's water conservation poster contest! (259 views)
1/20/17 - 2/2/17 (14 days)	1	0	0	1	87	Press Release: Board Decides not to Enforce Additional Stage IV Conservation Measures. www.ncsd.ca.gov (43 views)
2/3/17 - 2/16/17 (14 days)	्रा	0	0	1	196	With all this rain we've been receiving don't forget to turn off your irrigation! #waterwisewednesday #saveourwater (50 views)
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2017 Twitter Summary
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Week	List Growth (Followers)	Re-tweets (shared)	Mentions/ Favorites (comments)	Link Visits (visits to links)	Content Views (Impressions)	Average Views/Day (Impressions)	Most Popular Post
2016	192						
12/9/16 - 1/4/17 (27 days)	Ŋ	ဇာ	1	5	1,454	54	Board Reviewing Conservation Efforts and Status of Intent-to-Serve Letters in Preparation for Continued Drought http://www.ncsd.ca.gov pic.twitter.com/2FtJXJ115q (189 views)
1/5/17 - 1/19/17 (15 days)	7	Ŋ	က	9	3,200	213	There's another storm rolling into SLO County. The District has sandbags available for customers. Learn proper placement of sandbags below. pic.twitter.com/bz1qBiQvcJ (373 views)
1/20/17 - 2/2/17 (14 days)	2	0	0	9	1,700	121	Agenda and Packet for the January 25th Regular Board Meeting have been posted on the District's website http://fb.me/O5DSXNjd (94 views)
2/3/17 - 2/16/17 (14 days)	9	1	0	2	1,700	121	Agenda and Packet for the February 8th Regular Board Meeting has been posted on the District's website. http://www.ncsd.ca.gov (100 views)
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February 22, 2017

ITEM F

ATTACHMENT B

Dealing Successfully With Customers

Staying Courteous Under Pressure



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Dealing Successfully With Customers "Staying Courteous Under Pressure"

All of us who work in the public sector have customers – people who depend on us for service. For some, your customer is external to the organization – a homeowner, a citizen, a vendor, an elected official, a client, a visitor to the City, or a person seeking directions and guidance through "the system." There is also another group of customers – our colleagues and co-workers. They make up our "internal customers." In this workshop, we will have the opportunity to learn and practice ways to work effectively with all those who depend on us for service. Emphasized will be techniques to remain courteous under pressure when working with people who are angry, emotional, or who are "just not getting what they want." Just as important, we will also work on the things we can do to keep people from becoming angry or upset.

Part I

The importance of "customer service." Identify who your customers are, why they depend on you and what their expectations are for the quality of service you provide. Learn the importance of developing professional customer relationships to promote successful outcomes and a positive image for you and the organization. Identify some key "customer service" steps to follow when working with others.

Understanding what motivates people to serve both external and internal customers well. Develop an understanding of what each employee's responsibility is in delivering quality customer service. Identify and discuss management's leadership role in providing support for the delivery of quality service.

Keeping discussions open and focused on problem solving. Build a strategy and a focus to keep discussions with customers helpful, empathetic, on track and non-defensive. Learn how to "actively listen" when dealing with anger, emotions and difficult situations.

Part II

Developing skills to deal with anger - personal anger and other's anger. Develop ways to stay grounded when someone is angry, emotional or attacking you personally. Learn assertive communication techniques to effectively work with someone who is being uncivil and "ugly" in their behavior.

Applying valuable communication techniques to resolve customer problems and concerns. Develop an understanding of how body language, inflection and pitch influence interactions with others. Practice critical communication skills to ease the transfer of those skills back to the job.

Applying stress management techniques when it seems like "the whole world is out to get you." Delivering good customer service can take a heavy toll on the spirit and can require a lot of emotional energy. Learn some basic techniques to ease negative stress.