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**NCSD Board of Directors Review SLO County Resource Management System**

On Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, the District's Board held its regular meeting at 9AM and reviewed the County's proposed changes to the Resource Management System.

The San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors and the Planning and Building Department are proposing changes to the County's Resource Management System which may impact how development and new water demand are permitted in the Nipomo Mesa area. County Planning staff has circulated a draft of the proposed changes and the District's Board of Directors made an initial review of the changes at Wednesday's meeting.

The County Board of Supervisors certified the Nipomo Mesa groundwater resources as a Level of Severity III (Severe) on June 26, 2006 and this Certification and Level of Severity remains in place under the current RMS system. Continued development across the area would add demand to the area's already stressed groundwater basin. Proposed changes to the Resource Management System could allow the County to put a hold on issuing building permits until new water resources are developed to water planned development.

General Manager, Michael S. LeBrun, stated "Strengthening the 'RMS' could play a crucial role in establishing a sustainable water policy for the Nipomo Mesa".

Board President Craig Armstrong assigned Director Larry Vierheilig to work with members of the public to review the County's proposed changes in more depth and return to the Board with recommendations. The County Planning Commission is scheduled to review the proposed RMS changes in Spring of this year.

Next Scheduled Regular Board Meeting: Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014, 9AM, District Board Room 148 South Wilson, Nipomo.

For more information, please contact the Nipomo Community Services District at 929-1133 or visit [www.ncsd.ca.gov](http://www.ncsd.ca.gov).

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