

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: MICHAEL S. LEBRUN *MSL*
GENERAL MANAGER
DATE: JANUARY 8, 2016

**AGENDA ITEM
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JANUARY 13, 2016**

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

ITEM

Standing report to your Honorable Board -- *Period covered by this report is December 5, 2015 through January 8, 2016.*

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 2015.
- On May 21st, the District enacted Stage III Shortage conditions and ceased accepting application for new water service.
- As a result of customer conservation efforts, District water production is significantly lower in 2015 compared to previous years. Customers finished the year strong with December 2015 total water production being 37.5% less than December 2013. The cumulative reduction in total water production since State-ordered conservation in June 2015, is 32.9%. The District's State-mandated reduction goal is 28%, month to month and cumulative. Thanks to the completion of Nipomo Supplemental Water Project Phase 1, the District's reduction in groundwater pumping is even more significant. **December 2015 groundwater production is 48% lower** than the District's five year average. Even though the District imported water for only half of 2015, the **total groundwater pumped in 2015 is 32% lower** than the five-year average. See the attached summary and graphical representation of these significant conservation achievements by District customers.
- 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 December 2015, staff responded to two reports of water waste.
- In December, staff proactively hung 12 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 approximately three inches of rain. The seasonal rain total for Nipomo South is 4.0

inches. Average for this gauge is 16-inches per year. The seasonal total for Nipomo East is 5.0 inches. Average for Nipomo East is 18-inches per year.

- During December the District issued five leak adjustments totaling \$1,715 in discounts.
- An initial schedule for development of the District’s 2016-2017 Fiscal Year budget and Annual Property Tax Assessment Hearings is provided (Attached).
- Five Will-Serve letters were issued for District water and sewer service. All subject parcels were either previous customers and/or on the District’s Reserve Capacity list (no new applicants).

Safety Program

- A minor vehicle incident occurred involving the District’s Vac Con truck. There were no injuries and damage to the vehicle and District facilities is initially estimated to be under \$1,000.00. The District’s Safety Officer has reviewed the accident report. Staff have been counseled, no further personnel action is recommended. Minor changes in facilities are being pursued to minimize the chance of a similar incident in the future.

Public Outreach

- The following Public Outreach Program materials are attached:
 - A summary of Program activity during 2015
 - 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:

- Golden State Water Company application to CA-Public Utilities Commission for a rate increase to recover costs associated with Nipomo Supplemental Water Project.
- SLO County Notice regarding Phillips 66 Rail Project public hearings
- January 12, SLO County Board of Supervisors Meeting Agenda

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

The District added twelve water connections and eleven sewer connections in 2015.

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	NOV-15	DEC-15
Water Connections (Total)	4325	4325	4325	4325	4326	4329	4332	4332	4333	4334	4337	4337
Sewer Connections (Total)	3112	3112	3112	3112	3114	3118	3119	3119	3120	3120	3123	3123
Meters turned off (Non-payment)	13	34	13	21	15	17	11	24	18	14	12	16
Meters off (Vacant)	44	39	42	41	41	41	43	40	42	39	40	44
Sewer Connections off (Vacant)	15	11	14	12	12	12	14	10	11	10	10	12
New Water Connections	0	0	0	0	1	3	3	0	1	1	3	0
New Sewer Connection	0	0	0	0	2	4	1	0	1	0	3	0
Galaxy & PSHH at Orchard and Division Sewer Connections billed to the County	468	468	468	468	468	468	469	469	469	469	469	469

Meetings

Meetings Attended (telephonically or in person):

- December 7, Ad Hoc Committee
- December 9, Regular Board Meeting
- December 15, NMMA Technical Group
- December 16, Public Outreach Director
- December 18, Special Board Meeting
- December 18, SLO County Special District's
- January 4, 2016, Board Officers
- January 7, Management Team

Meetings Scheduled:

- January 12, Operations Introduction and Overview
- January 12, Management Team
- January 13, Regular Board Meeting
- January 13, Board Officers
- January 14, Management Team
- January 14, SLO County Supervisor
- January 14, SLO County Public Works Director
- January 14, Wet Weather Preparedness Workshop
- January 15, City of Santa Maria Utilities Director
- January 15, Property Negotiator and Special Counsel
- January 19, Blacklake Home Owner's Association
- January 20, Public Outreach Director
- January 20, Blakelake HOA Facilities Committee
- January 21, SLO County Planning Director
- January 21, LAFCO Executive Officer
- January 21, General Counsel
- January 21, Chamber Installation Dinner
- January 22, NMMA Technical Group
- January 27, Regular Board Meeting

RECOMMENDATION

Staff seeks direction and input from your Honorable Board

ATTACHMENTS

- A. District Water Production Summary
- B. 2016-2017 Fiscal Budget Development Schedule and Property Tax Assessment Hearing Schedule
- C. District Public Information 2015 Program Summary
- D. Summary of recent Outreach activities
- E. GSWC PUC Application Notice
- F. SLO Co. Planning Hearing Notice, Phillips 66 Rail Project
- G. SLO Co. Board of Supervisors, January 12 Meeting Agenda

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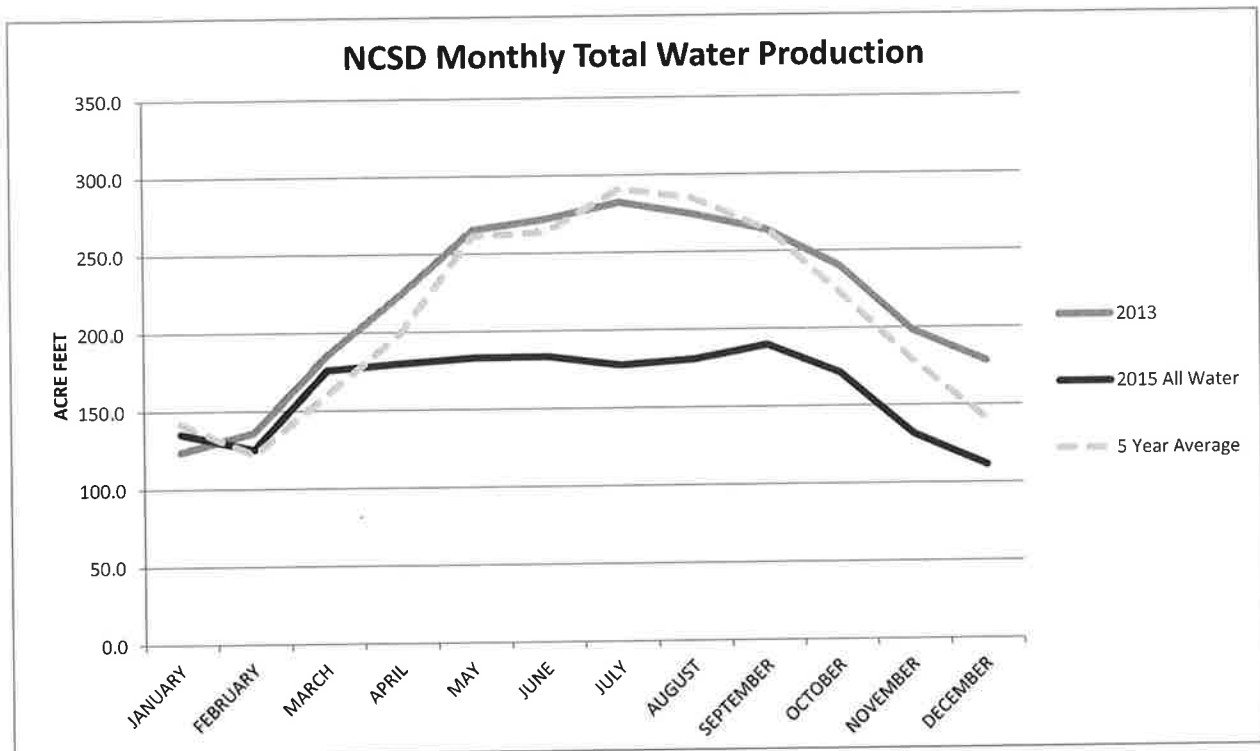
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**NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
WATER PRODUCTION SUMMARY**

	ALL DELIVERED WATER						All Production		GW	GW	All Water	Jun-Feb	GW
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2015	2015	09-'13	CUM		
	AF	AF	AF	AF	AF	AF	Gallons	AF	AF	5 Year Avg.	15 to '13 %	15 to '13 %	15 to 5 yr %
JANUARY	158.6	124.8	136.5	166.6	124.0	194.8	44,159,423	135.5	135.5	142.1	9.3%		-4.6%
FEBRUARY	105.5	82.9	132.5	152.7	136.3	126.1	40,880,275	125.5	125.5	122.0	-8.0%		2.8%
MARCH	167.0	153.6	130.2	165.6	185.5	148.6	57,373,241	176.1	176.1	160.4	-5.1%		9.8%
APRIL	236.3	168.8	211.4	154.5	224.0	176.8	58,662,142	180.0	180.0	199.0	-19.6%		-9.5%
MAY	279.4	250.8	266.2	246.4	265.4	247.8	59,695,903	183.2	183.2	261.6	-31.0%		-30.0%
JUNE	268.2	286.1	248.5	243.2	272.1	239.5	59,835,240	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	57,865,520	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	58,958,413	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	61,887,000	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	55,892,077	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	42,929,172	131.7	95.8	179.1	-33.6%	-32.4%	-46.5%
DECEMBER	142.0	114.0	159.9	112.4	178.5	105.7	36,355,563	111.6	73.6	141.4	-37.5%	-32.9%	-48.0%
TOTALS	2697.2	2366	2487	2472	2645	2310	634,493,969	1947	1729	2533			

Notes:

- Five year average is 2009-2013
- State reduction goal applies to all production - groundwater and supplemental
- NMMA reduction goal applies to groundwater production
- Beginning in July 2015, GW Production equals actual pumped GW + 32% of the water imported, reflecting a credit of imported water to GSWC and WMWC.



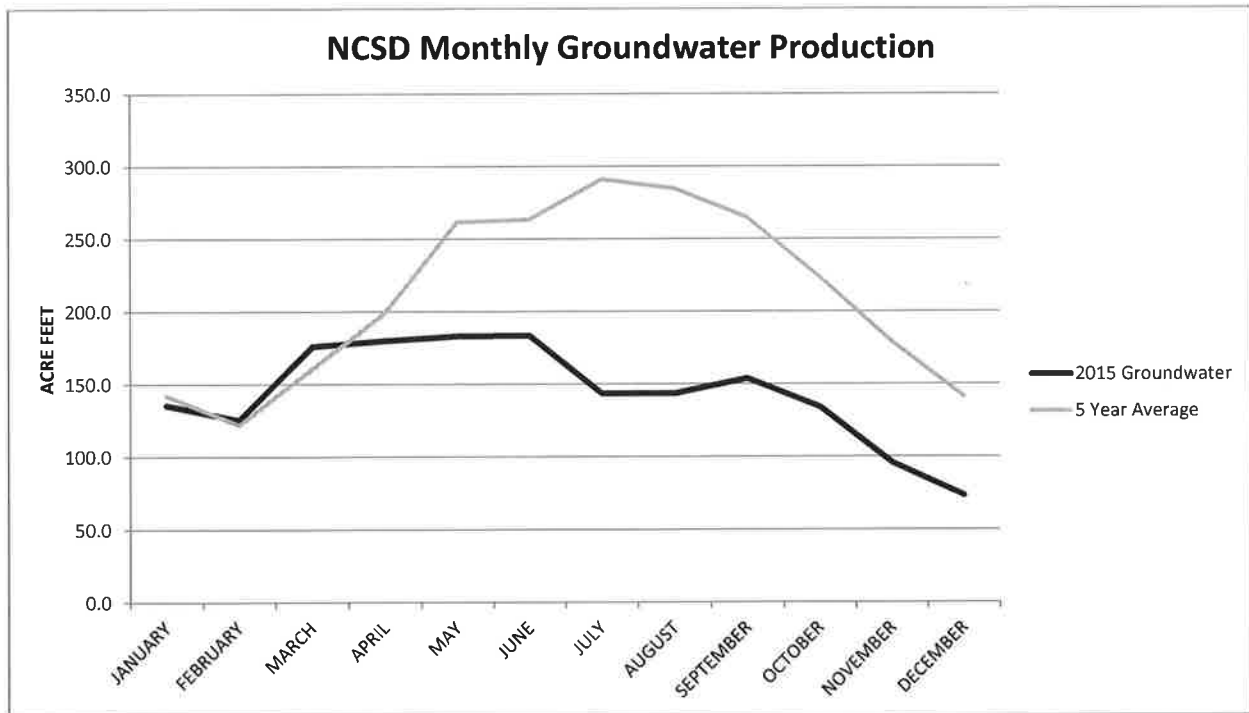
**NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
WATER PRODUCTION SUMMARY**

Groundwater Only

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2015		5 Year	5 yr	2015
	AF	AF	AF	AF	AF	AF	Gallons	AF		Avg.	CUM	CUM
JANUARY	158.6	124.8	136.5	166.6	124.0	194.8	44,159,423	135.5		142.1	142.1	-4.6%
FEBRUARY	105.5	82.9	132.5	152.7	136.3	126.1	40,880,275	125.5		122.0	264.1	-1.2%
MARCH	167.0	153.6	130.2	165.6	185.5	148.6	57,373,241	176.1		160.4	424.5	3.0%
APRIL	236.3	168.8	211.4	154.5	224.0	176.8	58,662,142	180.0		199.0	623.5	-1.0%
MAY	279.4	250.8	266.2	246.4	265.4	247.8	59,695,903	183.2		261.6	885.1	-9.6%
JUNE	268.2	286.1	248.5	243.2	272.1	239.5	59,835,240	183.6		263.6	1148.7	-14.3%
JULY	308.3	285.0	294.4	285.6	282.4	251.2	41,532,400	143.5		291.2	1439.9	-21.7%
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**NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
TIME LINE FOR
2016-2017 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET AND ASSESSMENTS**

February	Start drafting budget
February 26	Capital Improvement Projects Budget and District Engineer submittals
Week of March 7	Kick off meeting with Finance Committee to hear input, review COLA
Week of April 11	Staff circulates draft Budget to Finance Committee
Week of April 18	Staff meets with Finance Committee and receives recommendations/changes/deletions on draft Budget
Week of May 16	Staff prepares public notice of adoption for newspaper (publish on May 25 and June 1)
May 11 or 25	Review of draft Budget by Board of Directors at Regular Board Meeting
Week of May 30	Staff circulates final draft Budget based on recommendations received by Board of Directors
June 8	Public Hearing and adoption of 2016-2017 Budget

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**PROPOSED TIME LINE FOR
LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT #1**

April 13	Adopt Resolution initiating Engineer's Report
May 11	Adopt Resolutions to approve Engineer's Report and Intention to Levy Assessment
Week of May 16	Staff prepares public notice of adoption for newspaper (publish on May 25)
June 8	Public Hearing and adopt Resolution approving assessments

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**PROPOSED TIME LINE FOR
BLACKLAKE STREET LIGHTING**

Week of May 16	Staff prepares public notice of adoption for newspaper (publish on May 25)
June 8	Public Hearing and adopt Resolution approving assessments

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**PROPOSED TIME LINE FOR
SOLID WASTE DELINQUENCIES**

March 1	South County Sanitary send certified letters giving 45 day notice
May 2	South County Sanitary provide list of delinquent accounts
May 6	NCSD send Notice of Public Hearing to property owners
Week of May 16	Staff prepares public notice of adoption for newspaper (publish on May 25 and June 1)
June 8	Public Hearing and adopt Resolution approving assessments

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**Public Information Program
January – December 2015 Summary**

- **Press/Media Relations**
 - 27 press releases were sent out to media
 - 172 news articles about or pertaining to the District

- **Outreach**
 - 1 Conservation campaign
 - Brown is the New Green, May – September
 - 1 Supplemental Water Arrival campaign
 - Period: May – July
 - 12 Manager’s Columns in the Adobe Press
 - Period: January - December
 - 33 ads in the Adobe Press
 - Period: January - December
 - 45 ads in Chamber weekly updates and Chamber monthly newsletters
 - Period: January - December
 - 1 ad and editorial in Chamber Directory
 - 4 traditional banners posted around Nipomo and rotated periodically
 - Period: January - December
 - 2 large format signs
 - Period: July – August
 - 12 posters for placement within community
 - Period: June – August

- **Conservation Education**
 - 2 new Spanish education materials
 - Reading the Water Meter
 - Toilet Leak Detection tabs
 - 16 Science Discovery class presentations
 - 3 elementary schools
 - Period: January – May, August - December
 - 72 total Poster Contest participants
 - 3 elementary schools; 6 classes
 - Period: November
 - Chloramine and Fluoride Fact Sheets
 - Water Shortage FAQ/Fact Sheet
 - Conservation Materials/Giveaways (water saver magnets, tote bags, outdoor conservation materials, Sunset Magazine “Easy Waterwise Landscaping”)

Public Information Program January – December 2015 Summary

- **Direct Mail**
 - 10 publications including newsletters, bill inserts, and a Consumer Confidence Report were sent out
 - Period: January - December
 - 1 Town Sewer Rates 218 Notice
 - Period: October - November
 - 311 Letters to Single Family Residents and Commercial Properties regarding Water Use
 - Period: July
 - 4 Letters to Conservation “Stars”
 - Period: April - July
 - 6 E-newsletters
 - Period: July - December

- **Outreach/Press Events**
 - 2 Town Hall Meetings
 - June 23rd, Blacklake and NCSB Board Room; apx 70 total attendance
 - 2 District Events
 - 50th Anniversary Celebration/Open House, January 28th (invitations, programs, etc.)
 - Nipomo Supplemental Water Project Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, September 9th (invitations, programs, etc.)
 - 2 Community Events
 - St. Joseph Church Festival booth, March 22nd; apx 50 booth visits; 17 email addresses collected
 - Nipomo Octoberfest booth, October 10th; apx 50 booth visits; 27 email addresses collected
 - 3 Presentations in the Community
 - July 15th, Knollwood HOA
 - July 22nd, Nipomo Chamber of Commerce event
 - October 10th, Folkhert Oaks HOA
 - 2 Charter TV Interviews; July 8th and September 3rd

- **Website/Email/Social Media**
 - Website
 - 17,342 visits to the website; 10,298 unique visitors; 35,424 page views
 - Email Contact Platform
 - 305 Current email subscribers
 - 47 Email “blasts” sent
 - 29% Average email open rate

Public Information Program
January – December 2015 Summary

- Facebook and Twitter accounts
 - 57 Facebook followers
 - 133 Twitter followers
 - 271 District Facebook posts; apx 6,920 “impressions” (post views)
 - 275 District Twitter posts; 25,958 “impressions” (post views)

- **Board of Directors/Clerk**
 - 22 Board Meetings/Minutes
 - 18 Legal Notices in Newspapers
 - 6 Exemptions Filed
 - 3 Notices of Completion Filed
 - 9 County Clerk Filings
 - Board of Directors Wall in Lobby

- **Administrative**
 - 2 Employment Recruitment brochures
 - 13 Employment Recruitment ads
 - 1 50th-Year District logo
 - 1 50th-Year Sign for Board Room
 - 50th-Year Car Decals/Stickers
 - Awards Wall in Board Room
 - Chamber of Commerce Grant Fund Proposals/Requests
 - Nipomo Native Gardens Grant Fund Proposals

- **Misc**
 - 2 sets of Lead & Copper Survey Postcards
 - 2 Conference Calls for CSDA Public Affairs Working Group
 - 5 CSDA Webinars
 - CSDA: Rules of Order Made Easy
 - CSDA: The Essential Guide to the Brown Act
 - CSDA: What’s a Public Record? How to Comply with the Public Records Act
 - CSDA: Best Practices in Agenda Preparation & Taking/Recording Minutes
 - CSDA: Social Media Challenges and Opportunities for Special Districts: A Legal Perspective
 - CSDA: Brown Act - Beyond the Basics
 - Cal-ICMA: Best Practices for Managing Social Media & Gossip
 - Board Clerk Conference
 - Information on 2 bulletin boards and office lobby
 - Recognition of Staff Birthdays
 - New Lettering for Public Display Boards

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**NCS D Outreach Summary
January 2016**

Date Started	Outreach	Description	Status	Date Completed
12/7/2015	Ad	Conservation ad in 12/11 Adobe	Complete	12/7/2015
12/7/2015	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	12/7/2015
12/10/2015	Press Release	Nipomo CSD Board of Directors Elects 2016 Board President and Vice President	Complete	12/10/2015
11/24/2015	Education	Partnership with Nipomo Native Garden for conservation education	Complete	12/11/2015
12/14/2015	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	12/14/2015
12/15/2015	Press Release	Nipomo CSD Files Financial Audit Report for Fiscal Year 2014-2015	Complete	12/15/2015
12/16/2015	District E-Newsletter	December E-Newsletter regarding District news	Complete	12/18/2015
12/18/2015	Press Release	District Board of Directors Approves Contract with New General Manager	Complete	12/18/2015
12/21/2015	Ad	Conservation ad in 12/25 Adobe	Complete	12/21/2015
12/21/2015	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	12/21/2015
12/21/2015	Manager's Column	Article for Manager's Column in Adobe Press, pub date 12/25	Complete	12/21/2015
12/29/2015	Chamber Newsletter	Conservation ad for Chamber of Commerce January newsletter	Complete	12/29/2015
1/4/2016	Ad	Conservation ad in 1/8 Adobe	Complete	1/4/2016
12/4/2015	Social Media	Content posting	Complete; Ongoing	1/7/2016
12/4/2015	Website Updates	Home page; minutes; packets; community news; reports; logo change; bio updates; FY 2014-2015 Audit Report; etc	Complete; Ongoing	1/7/2016
1/4/2016	Program Summary	Summary of 2015 Public Info Program activities	Complete	1/7/2016
11/10/2015	Regional Outreach	Coordination with other county agencies to update waterwise landscaping website	In Design	12/16/15
11/19/2015	Education	Student Conservation Poster Contest awards	In Progress	

OPINION

Adobe an important part of state's history

The Latino Outreach Council board was privileged to host its holiday party at the incredible Dana Adobe. Executive Director Marina Washburn and her board joined the LOC board for refreshments and a special private tour of the adobe house and its grounds.

Having seen this structure over 20 years ago when it was dilapidated and in great disrepair, it is a marvel to see the house fully restored to its original glory.

This house and the grounds are an important part of California history, and the restoration project and the future plans for the Dana Cultural Center were reflected in the recent Governor's Award for Historic Preservation.

In 1857, the Dana Adobe was a regular stagecoach stop, and by 1881, the Pacific Coast Railway ran across the rancho. At the time, the 38,000-acre Mexican land grant owned by the Dana-Carrillo family was known as Rancho Nipomo and encompassed all of what is modern Nipomo. The family was known



Bits and Pieces of Nipomo
Jacqueline Vittit Frederick

for its generous hospitality and opened the home to travelers, merchants and mail carriers.

If you have not visited, please do.

It is located across the street from Holloway's Christmas Tree Farm on South Oak Glen Avenue and is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays, 1 to 4 p.m. Sundays and by appointment.

For more information, go to www.danaadobe.org or call 929-5679.

Holloway's Christmas Tree Farm is the largest choose-and-cut tree farm

in California and has been propagating, growing and selling Christmas trees since 1962.

Carl and Debbie Holloway take great pride in growing spectacular Monterey pine trees.

Families have enjoyed the annual tradition of walking through the tree farm, riding the hay wagon or train and selecting and cutting their own trees.

The farm also provides tree-cutting services by its skilled lumberjacks, or you can select from a variety of pre-cut trees. Flocking is also available, as well as cleaning and wrapping of trees for hauling.

The staff makes beautiful wreaths and bouquets and there is a quaint store with holiday decorations.

You can stop by for refreshments and a great time from noon to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Christmas in Old Towne Nipomo will be held at 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church parish hall.

This is a family event and a lot of fun for the children. They get to make decorations, hear holiday stories and meet Santa and Mrs. Claus.

This free event with entertainment, refreshments and treats free of charge for children has been a Nipomo tradition for 19 years and is a wonderful way to bring the community together.

If you have gifts to wrap but would like some assistance, there is a free gift-wrapping party that will take place this weekend provided by local resident Jeanne Taylor.

The event will take place from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, at the Nipomo Chamber of Commerce office, 239 W. Tefft St.

Use the rear parking lot and entrance. Wrapping and tissue paper, gift labels, ribbons and bows will be provided free of charge.

Jacqueline Frederick is a lawyer and former Nipomo resident. She can be reached at jfflaw@aol.com or 929-1120.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Clarifying Phillips refinery facts

A frequent writer reprises his letter about the Phillips 66 refinery rail spur project every so often, and it would be compelling if it were at all correct.

The issue is not safety at the Phillips 66 refinery; it's the 11 Class-1 impacts that cannot be mitigated, including five that relate to air pollution and diesel emissions.

As to receiving crude tar sands from Canada, if that were to occur, jobs in the local extraction industry, along with the taxes and royalties that they now pay, would be gone.

So, if it's a jobs-and-local-taxes issue, whose jobs are they talking about? The crude Phillips 66 will be bringing down the highly viscous tar sand. To make it flow, a diluent needs to be added, and that lowers its flash point and makes it highly volatile.

That letter writer is incorrect when he states the Alberta crude is same as Phillips now refines.

As to the price of gasoline, that is based upon market trends and availability, and as of now, we are awash with crude. The amount Phillips 66 refines relative to the completion in California is minimal. As to shipping by truck,

here again that letter writer is off the mark. The current environmental impact report noted trucks as an alternative, and it was dismissed as being too costly and even more polluting than rail.

Phillips did not do its due diligence with pipeline partner All Plains, thus they are now reaping the rewards of that action — that pipeline is off line.

So, really, how safe is Phillips? When it comes to a little extra marginal profit, it seems safety was cast to the winds.

Lawrence Shinderman
NIPOMO

Marine haven a good idea

Let's look at some of the nationally and internationally significant marine environment features of the proposed Chumash Heritage National Marine Sanctuary formally accepted for nomination by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration:

These major upwellings with rich nutrients, one of which is persistent, a major bank feature, the Santa Lucia Bank where, during autumn, 13 whale and dolphin and thousands of sea birds species feed.

Anguello Canyon, a mile deep, five-fingered submarine canyon, through

which the only California persistent upwelling flows. Whale gathering areas and migration lanes.

Lush, productive kelp forests, spawning areas and nurseries. A significant percentage of the California sea otter population. Several rocky intertidal regions with world-class fish diversities and diversities.

Chumash sacred sites: Many coastal village sites continuously occupied for more than 9,000 years and an unknown number of submerged older sites, some many miles offshore.

Magnificent views, vistas and high coastal dunes attended by millions of visitors.

Whether this majestic treasure will be protected for future generations is now literally in the hands of the public.

Karl Kempton
OCYOLO

Marine habitat not for oil wells

The proposed Chumash Marine Sanctuary just off our coast is a wonderful idea.

I introduced and taught marine biology at Hancock College in Santa Maria for many years. It is an amazing habitat rich in biodiversity — not a place for drilling by oil corporations.

Bill Densen
NIPOMO

RUBES



"Why don't you tell me about your fear of dying, Mr. Feingold? ... And I suggest you make it snappy."

2423 TELLVINN Beautiful Home - Ideally located, this home offers 4 bedrooms 2 baths approx. 2112 sq ft of living space. Home has a functional open floor plan, fireplace in family room, formal living room, cathedral ceilings, spacious rooms and covered patio. There is plenty of space for extra vehicles /RV or boat with the additional drive space. Just minutes from the freeway, shops, schools and parks jogging & walking trails. Please call me for private tour.

Yolanda Perez
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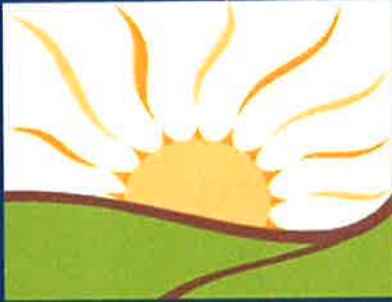
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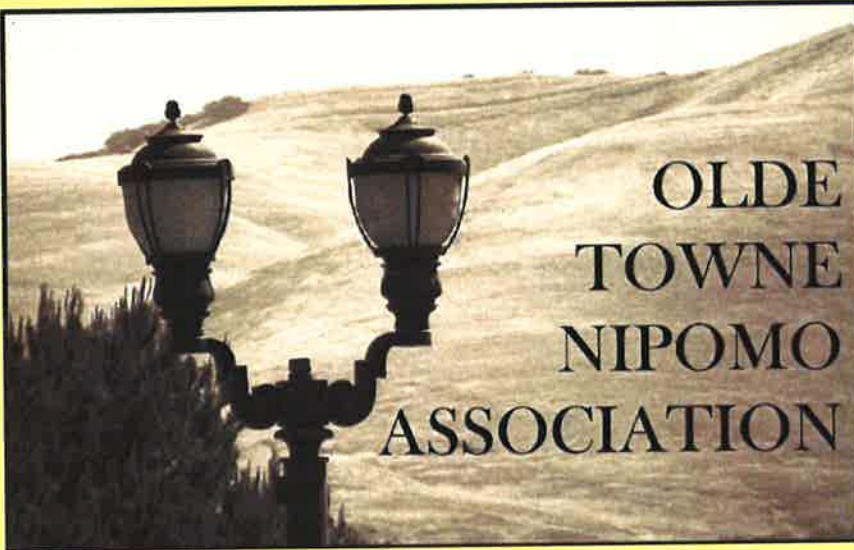
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New District General Manager Selected

The new General Manager is scheduled to start in January.



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Mr. Iglesias has 32 years of experience in the utility industry. For the past decade he has worked as the Utility Systems Manager for the City of Morgan Hill overseeing an annual budget of 19 million dollars. Prior to that, he was the General Manager of the Aromas

Water District for five years. He began his career as an operator at California-American Water Company on the Monterey Peninsula where over 16 years he advanced to Production Superintendent. Mr. Iglesias holds an Associate's Degree in Water and Wastewater Management from Hartnell College and a Bachelor's Degree in Public Administration from the University of San Francisco.

[Read More](#)

Time to Prepare for Winter Weather

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.

On the Mesa, soils erode very quickly when exposed to concentrated flow. Drainages from streets and roof tops and other impervious surfaces must 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 energy and prevent erosion.

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Strong Conservation Continued in November

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

In November, the District produced 131 acre feet or about 43 Million gallons of water to meet customer demand. This equates to a 33.6% reduction in overall production compared to November 2013. Additionally, thanks to the arrival of supplemental water in July, groundwater pumping during November was 46% lower than the 5-year average for November. Keep up the good work, Nipomo!

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Reminders



Scheduled Water Rate Increase as of 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.

We welcome feedback and comments. Reach out to us using one of the links below and feel free to share with others.



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OPINION

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Inside NCS D
Michael LeBrun

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Tall project a poor fit for SLO

Andrew Firestone wants to redefine San Luis Obispo with a 75-foot-tall hotel/retail center on Santa Rosa and Monterey streets, obscuring our landscape and small-town ambience. Similar problems arose when he decided to build a concrete-box boutique hotel creek-side, towering over the neighborhood beneath.

Prior to approval by the City Council, I voiced similar concerns about that project as Rachel Cohen, associate city planner, does over this one: Do we really want this project to be SLO's welcoming committee?

Firestone's proposal is too big and too tall and ignores our culture. It creates traffic, parking and other problems.

Like the Monterey hotel, it requires variances to ordinances and codes, thus becoming a precedent for subsequent projects.

SLO is one of the few remaining places in California not crowded with chain stores and restaurants that look like everywhere else. Small businesses and people who live here need assurance that their quality of life will be preserved. People who visit need to decompress from

stressful, hurried, commercialized cities.

Firestone wants to put his stamp on SLO, stomping us in the process. How would he build this project in Santa Ynez, where he comfortably lives in rural ambience? I think not.

Wendy Daly
SAN LUIS OBISPO

Nuke power best, cleanest choice

The natural gas industry has a lot of product on its hands, and shutting off the clean, healthy power at Diablo Canyon Power Plant would be a bonanza for that industry.

"Excess production causes natural gas prices to fall," writes Yahoo Economic news.

When the Edison utility had an equipment malfunction and, pushed by thousands of misinformed supposedly environmentalist protesters, closed the San Onofre nuclear plant near San Diego, the fossil-fuel industry gloated and opened its wallets as millions suddenly poured in.

Now the San Diego area is beset with more dirty air containing smoke, soot and ozone that really does kill people. Empty-sema is rampant in many schools, caused by fossil-fuel waste in their air.

The Associated Press

has written a hedge-podge article on Diablo Canyon concerning such dangers as earthquake faults.

No reactor in Japan was damaged by nearly the largest quake in human history. Reactor construction is a settled science. Fukushima was the ultimate test and passed with flying colors.

No expert says faults near to Diablo Canyon are strong enough to create that magnitude earthquake.

Humanity is locked in a battle with global warming that is cresting heat records. The California drought should be evidence enough.

Nuclear power, with only 100 U.S. reactors, produces 63.3 percent of America's emission-free electricity. Diablo Canyon is the largest single source of that clean power in California.

But natural gas companies are focused on quarterly profits.

Get involved. Let your representatives know your feelings about making a clean, safe world for your children and grandchildren using the power source the U.S. Navy chose as the safest and best for their fleet that has 60 years of accident-free operations.

William Giege
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Help does not always come as expected. Christ often comes quite unexpectedly — in the cries of children, the burden of the poor and the intimacy of family life. Christ calls to us in the needs of others and comes to us in the midst of our own. If you would like to learn about this One who comes to help and heal, join us. I'm Eugenia Cumble. I'm the pastor and I'd love to meet you.

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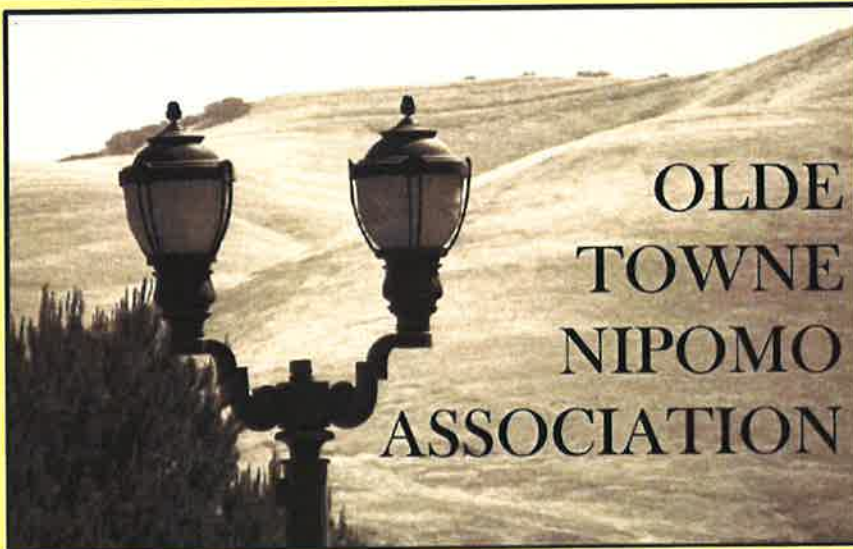
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District Board of Directors Approves Contract with New General Manager

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SLO County residents conserve even more water in November than required

HIGHLIGHTS

Central Coast reports 26 percent conservation rate in November, above statewide savings

Residential use ranged from 37 to 94.9 gallons per person per day

Statewide water conservation drops under 25 percent for second month in a row

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As rain soaked parts of San Luis Obispo County on Tuesday, state water regulators released new data showing that local residents met their conservation targets for November.

All nine cities and communities in the county surveyed monthly by state water regulators exceeded their conservation standards — several by wide margins.

The statewide conservation rate dropped to 20.3 percent in November, down from 22.3 percent in October and below the 25 percent mandate ordered by Gov. Jerry Brown. State officials said in a news release they expected the rate to drop off during the cooler months, when less water is used.



Dale Kasler - The Sacramento Bee

They also noted that average statewide water use decreased in November from 87 gallons in October, the lowest since emergency regulation went into effect in June.

“As welcome as recent rain and snow are, we’ve been cautious not to let up on conservation. We won’t know until spring whether we can let up on conservation. I’m the chair of the State Water Resources Control Board.

Californians have reduced water use by 26.3 percent in the six months since emergency conservation regulations took effect. The water conservation rate in November for the Central Coast region was 26 percent, according to the water board.

The state’s water conservation regulation requires urban water suppliers to save a targeted amount of water between June 2015 and February 2016. Their targets are based on their usage levels in 2015.

In San Luis Obispo County, the largest savings last November was in Arroyo Grande, where residents cut their use by 40.7 percent compared to November 2013. The city’s conservation target is 28 percent.

In Cambria and Grover Beach, which both have conservation targets of 8 percent, residents cut water use in November by 31.2 percent and 33.9 percent, respectively. Residential per capital water use ranged from a low of 37 gallons per person per day in Cambria to 94.9 gallons per day in the Nipomo Community Services District.

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SLO COUNTY WATER CONSERVATION

The state data compares water savings from November 2015 to November 2013.

Water supplier	Water savings	Conservation Standard
Arroyo Grande	40.7%	28%
Atascadero Mutual Water Co.	29.9%	28%
Cambria Community Services District	31.2%	8%
Grover Beach	33.9%	8%
Morro Bay	13.9%	12%
Nipomo Community Services District	33.6%	28%
Paso Robles	32.1%	28%
Pismo Beach	29.7%	24%
San Luis Obispo	22.2%	12%

Source: State Water Resources Control Board



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South County meets water mandates for November

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Water purveyors who fail to meet their marks can be hit with fines of up to \$10,000, although the state has yet to impose any monetary penalties for not hitting the conservation targets.

The executive order is expected to expire at the end of February.

SLO COUNTY'S 2015 IN REVIEW

THE TOP TEN

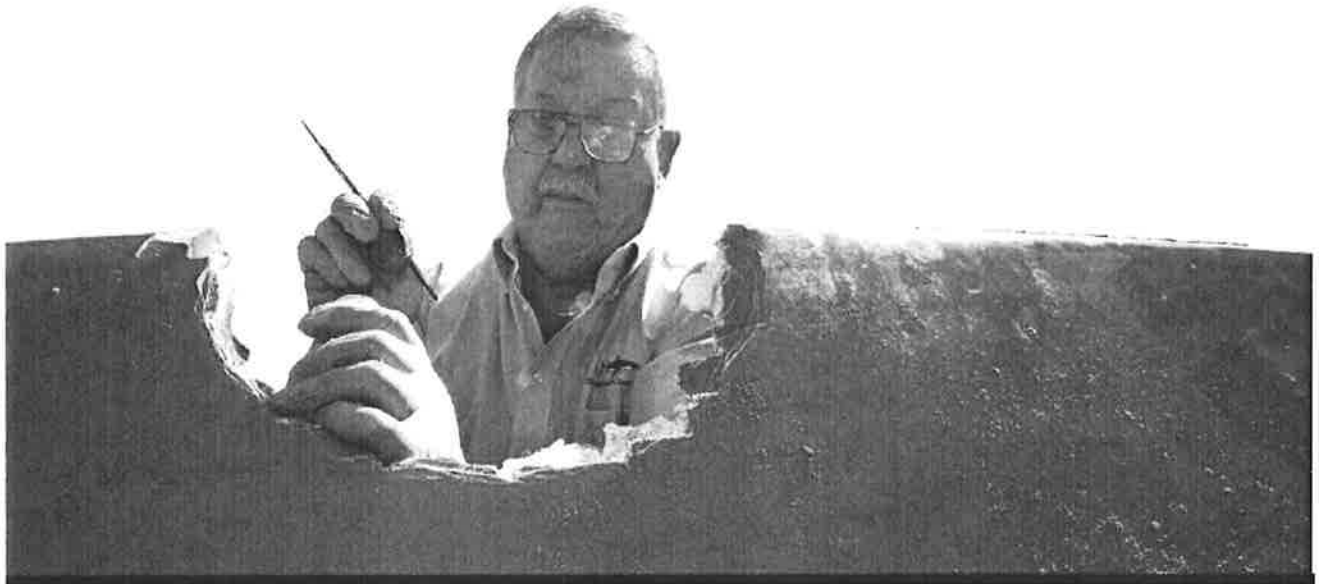
Surprising, personal tales and important, ongoing issues that affect local residents make up much of this year's list

— TRIBUNE STAFF REPORT



Far left and middle, Joe Johnston; Right, courtesy photo; Bottom, David Middlecamp

Top events of the year include Isaac Lindsey's recovery, the Cuesta Fire, the "St. Fratty's Day" roof collapse near Cal Poly and Elinor Dempsey's shark attack, whose surfboard was analyzed by shark expert Ralph Collier, pictured below.



10 Las Pilitas Quarry

Stiff public opposition, particularly from local residents, doomed plans in early 2015 to construct a rock quarry 3 miles northeast of Santa Margarita.

Called the Las Pilitas Quarry, the facility would have produced 500,000 tons of gravel a year to be used for a variety of purposes including landscaping and road construction. The applicants said the quarry would be a local supply of a vitally

needed product.

However, residents objected to the fact that hundreds of trucks would rumble through Santa Margarita daily.

After lengthy hearings, the San Luis Obispo County Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors denied the application, saying the environmental impacts outweighed the need for gravel.

9 Steve Gesell out as SLO police chief

Three years into his tenure as SLO's police chief, Steve Gesell was suddenly placed on administrative leave May 8, and by the end of the month, he had reached a settlement with the city to provide him a lump severance of \$120,000.

City officials have never disclosed why Gesell was terminated,

citing personnel confidentiality laws, but City Manager Katie Lichtig indicated the split came following philosophical differences between Gesell and city brass.

Following his termination, Gesell said he would move back to Arizona, where he spent more than 20 years with the Scottsdale Police Department. At one point, he was considering a run against controversial Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio, Gesell said.

On Dec. 4, the city announced it had made an offer of employment to Deanna Cantrell, a 21-year veteran of the police department in Mesa,

Ariz., to be the new chief.

Cantrell is scheduled to start

work Jan. 4.

8 Paso Robles groundwater basin

During 2015, meetings of San Luis Obispo County's governmental bodies were dominated by the highly controversial question of whether a water management district should be formed for the Paso Robles groundwater basin.

On Nov. 10, the county Board of Supervisors voted to schedule for March 8 a series of three elections in which voters and property owners in the sprawling basin east of Paso Robles would vote whether to form the district, establish a parcel tax to generate \$1 million annually to fund the district and choose nine people to serve on the district's board of directors.

Supporters of the district say it is necessary to stabilize falling aquifer levels in the basin while critics say the district is a needless and expensive new layer of government. Also, a new state law requires state water regulators to step in if local government agencies fail to adequately manage a troubled basin.

7 Shark encounters

Elinor Dempsey hadn't even caught her first wave of the day Aug. 29 when she saw a grayish figure approach her board just under the water's surface.

Minutes later, she found herself surrounded by a crowd of people on the beach in Morro Bay, the onlookers gaping at the 13½-inch chunk missing from her longboard. In what turned out to be a sharky summer — perhaps fueled by unusually warm ocean temperatures — Dempsey had the most dramatic shark encounter.

Although she was unhurt in the incident, Tribune photos of the 54-year-old Los Osos resident and her disfigured surfboard were carried by news outlets worldwide, and Dempsey appeared on national television.

After an examination of the bite, Ralph Collier, with the Shark Research Committee, concluded the animal that bit Dempsey's board was an 11- to 12-foot great white. Collier predicted the territorial shark would hang around the area near Morro Strand Park for a while — which proved true. Credible shark sightings were reported there for several weeks after Dempsey's encounter.

Although Dempsey was shaken by the incident, she returned to the water roughly a month later with a board donated by her employer, TransUnion.

A shark in the South County also garnered considerable attention in August.

6 Haggen opens, closes

Haggen officially took over six San Luis Obispo County stores in April, but less than three months later, the Washington-based grocery chain announced it would lay off an undetermined number of workers from its California, Nevada and Arizona stores, including many in San Luis Obispo County.

In August, the chain announced it would close its Los Osos store, as part of an effort to downsize the company and "streamline operations." By September, the grocery chain had filed for bankruptcy protection, allowing it to fend off creditors while figuring out a plan to repay debts and said it would close all 127 of its stores in California, Nevada and Arizona.

Several of the stores in SLO County were bought as part of a purchase agreement with Smart & Final, though the locations in Los Osos, Arroyo Grande and on Foothill Boulevard in San Luis Obispo are still unclaimed.

The company is going through bankruptcy proceedings and selling off its remaining assets.

5 Isaac Lindsey injured

The high school football community and thousands on the Central Coast rallied together following the devastating injury of Templeton High School football player Isaac Lindsey in September.

Lindsey suffered a traumatic brain injury during a Sept. 18 game against San Luis Obispo High School and was later diagnosed with secondary impact syndrome.

The life of the 17-year-old junior who played fullback and on the defensive line was saved, his family said, thanks to the Templeton athletic trainer, first responders and a neurosurgeon who performed two brain surgeries. After the injury, Lindsey spent a week in a medically induced coma in critical condition at Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center before being transferred to a rehab facility in San Jose.

Ninety-five days after his initial injury, Lindsey returned home to his family Dec. 22 to a hero's welcome, just in time for Christmas.

4 San Gabriel Elementary threat

Some worried parents kept their kids home from school after threatening letters and a suspicious object — later identified as a candleholder containing sodium ferrocyanide — were found at San Gabriel Elementary on Sept. 11.

The Atascadero Unified School District closed the campus and relocated the school's 570 students to other schools for two weeks.

Letters found outside classrooms instructed officials to "play a game," similar to the popular "Saw" horror film franchise. In one letter, the person instructed teachers to locate different sets of keys, some for classrooms and some for padlocks left on school gates.

Atascadero police arrested a 17-year-old Atascadero boy in October, and the county District Attorney's Office announced in December that Bret Stephen Landen, now 18, will be tried as an adult.

He will face 25 counts of making criminal threats, two counts of threatening to use a weapon of mass destruction, two counts of felony attempted criminal threats and two counts of second-degree burglary, all felonies.

3 Wildfires

Thousands of acres of tinder-dry vegetation and numerous structures burned in two large wildfires over the summer, both located near the town of Santa Margarita.

The Park Hill Fire started June 20 when a vehicle ejected a hot chunk of carbon from an exhaust pipe, igniting grass along Las Pilitas Road east of Santa Margarita. The flames spread quickly in the Park Hill Road and Las Pilitas Road area.

It was fully contained June 24, burning 1,791 acres and destroying two homes, four mobile homes, two recreational vehicles used as primary residences, 10 outbuildings and seven vehicles, including a boat and trailer.

The Cuesta Fire started Aug. 16 when a vehicle traveling up the Cuesta Grade sparked three separate fires, which jumped over the ridge and marched toward the town of Santa Margarita. An estimated 350 homes south of the railroad tracks that cut through the community were evacuated Aug. 17, but firefighters lit backfires and stopped the blaze from reaching the town.

The 2,446-acre fire was finally contained Aug. 28.

2 Cal Poly protests and parties

Party-related misconduct and political unrest about inclusivity and tolerance of minorities at Cal Poly created a challenging year for university officials.

Cal Poly was thrust into the national spotlight because of student involvement in a roof collapse at an off-campus home where a wild "St. Fratty's Day" party occurred.

Tipped off by social media posts, an estimated 3,000 people gathered along Hathway Avenue to celebrate in the early morning of March 7. At least eight people were injured when a garage roof collapsed with more than 50 people on it, leading to university discussions about how to best manage out-of-control behavior and partying.

The roof collapse came during a period in which Cal Poly had banned Greek parties in the wake of three sexual assault reports, and out-of-control partying, at fraternity events last academic year.

In recent weeks, student advocacy urging a more tolerant and inclusive campus resulted in protests over racist and anti-gender identity comments on a "Free Speech Wall" and a death threat against a leader of the SLO Solidarity group.

The SLO Solidarity student group has demanded that Cal Poly make several policy, infrastructure and programming changes to create a more welcoming environment for minorities. Cal Poly is weighing its options while promising change will take place.

1 The drought

The impacts of the fourth year of California's drought have hit the Central Coast hard. Laguna Lake in San Luis Obispo saw its fish die and then its water dry up, Lopez Lake in Arroyo Grande is only 28 percent full, and Nacimiento Lake is 17 percent of capacity.

In April, Gov. Jerry Brown issued a mandate that California communities reduce water use by 25 percent over 2013 consumption.

Cities countywide sought ways to cut back, each month measuring their totals — all exceeding their water conservation goals in August.

In October, Central Coast communities reported a 25.1 percent conservation rate, higher than statewide savings. In October, 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.

Los Osos Community Services District limited residents to 50 gallons of water per person per day.

Meanwhile, all signs are pointing to a year of heavy rainfall with the anticipation of the El Niño weather pattern.

Storm models have shown that this rainy season could produce more precipitation than the El Niño downpours of 1982-1983 and 1997-1998, said John Lindsey, a PG&E meteorologist.



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Conservation efforts, rain helping cities meet state water mandates



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Lompoc tied its highest water savings to date since June, achieving a 33-percent reduction for November compared to 2013 figures for the city.

"The water use dropped off, but it was pretty high in 2013," Lompoc Water Superintendent Gene Margheim said.

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Margheim believes Lompoc will continue to see the savings trend continue into this month. Lompoc is mandated to conserve 12 percent under Brown's order.

"We won't be at 33 percent, but I'm expecting a savings," Margheim said. "So far, we've hit the mark every time."

After not meeting its mark in September and October, Santa Maria hit a 20-percent reduction for November, exceeding its mandated goal of 16 percent. Santa Maria has conserved 443 million gallons over the last six months, while its conservation requirement is 408 million gallons, said Shad Springer, utilities director.

"We are above our conservation goal," Springer said, "... primarily due to the rains we got in November. People turn off their sprinklers. In fact, we're putting notices out on our social media

to remind people to turn off their sprinklers during a rain event."

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Golden State Water Company, which provides water to some areas of Nipomo and Santa Maria, as well as Orcutt, also surpassed its conservation goals for November.

Despite the municipalities all meeting their mandates for last month, officials are continuing to urge residents to do their best to conserve.

"I just want to encourage the community to continue to save water, particularly when we have rain in the forecast over the next few weeks," Springer said.

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COUNTY ROUNDUP



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Iglesias will be paid an annual salary of \$150,000 and is scheduled to begin work in January.

— KAYTLYN LESLIE

DUI checkpoint planned in Pismo

Pismo Beach police will conduct a DUI /driver's license checkpoint somewhere in the city Monday night, according to the police department.

The checkpoint at an undisclosed location will be held from 8 p.m. Monday to 3 a.m. Tuesday. The location is chosen based on accident statistics and DUI arrests in order to have the greatest effect in deterring drunken and drugged driving, according to a news release from the department.

The checkpoint is part of increased enforcement and staffing by policing agencies around the county during the holiday season, when DUI-related deaths increase. A DUI checkpoint also is scheduled for the evening of New Year's Day at an

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Iglesias holds an associates degree in water and wastewater management from Hartnell College and bachelor's degree in public administration from University of San Francisco.

He was selected from a competitive pool of applicants and will earn an annual salary of \$150,000.

"We had a strong group of applicants for this position," Craig Armstrong, board president, said about selecting Iglesias for the position.

"Mario's background in utility operations and management best fit with the responsibilities of the general manager's position," he added. "The board is confident that the district will benefit from his experience and knowledge as we move forward."

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Chamber names 2015 award winners

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The community's leading citizen, business, student and service persons were announced recently by the Nipomo Chamber of Commerce, which will honor them along with the chamber's top ambassador and the winner of the Keeping Nipomo Clean Award at its installation dinner next month.

Jeanne Taylor will be honored as the citizen of the year, while Willow Market was named the business of the year, said Richard Malvarose, chamber president.

Vanessa Veloz of Nipomo High School was chosen the student of the year, and Robert and Cheryl Tolan were selected as the service persons of the year.

Nipomo Community Services District will receive the Keeping Nipomo Clean Award, and Sharon Nevitt will be honored as the chamber ambassador of the year, Malvarose said.

All will be presented with their awards at the annual chamber installation dinner set for Jan. 21 at Blacklake Country Club.

Malvarose said Taylor was chosen for the Citizen of the Year Award because she is "the epitome of a volunteer in the community."

"Name an event anywhere in Nipomo, and she's at it," he said. "She is an amazing bundle of energy. She's been doing it for years and never asking anything in return."

Willow Market was chosen for the Business of the Year Award because of its "positive impact on that area" where its located at the corner of Willow and Pomeroy roads.

"From day one, they took Nipomo by storm," Malvarose said. "They are involved in community activities whenever they can."

Veloz was chosen for the Student of the Year Award, which comes with a \$500 scholarship, because of her involvement in activities as much as for her 4.05 GPA, Malvarose said.

"She's involved in extracurricular activities as much as any high school kid could hope to be today," he said. "She had great references from all her teachers."

Malvarose added that choosing a student of the year was difficult this year because the chamber received eight nominations of highly deserving youths.

"Every one of them was involved in sports or the arts or both," he said. "We wished we could give them all money."

The Tolans were singled out for the Service Persons of the Year Award in recognition of their

efforts to launch Welcome Home Military Heroes, which organizes welcome receptions for servicemen and servicewomen returning from deployment.

"I can't think of anybody more deserving of this award," Malvarose said. "They started Welcome Home Military Heroes from the ground up.

"And they are tireless," he added. "They're up at 3 a.m. to go to San Luis Obispo Airport of Santa Maria Airport or wherever they have to go welcome service people home."

Nipomo Community Services District will receive the Keeping Nipomo Clean Award for its grant program that funds the chamber effort to keep the community — especially the Olde Towne area — free of trash and debris.

"They have a solid waste fund they tapped into, and they grant the chamber X-number of dollars each year for the cleanup program we administer," Malvarose said.

"We use the money to hire people from Achievement House in San Luis Obispo to come out and clean up Nipomo for us.

"It's a win-win for everybody," he said. "We keep Nipomo clean, and the Achievement House people make money. The district makes that possible."

Nevitt will be honored with the Ambassador of the Year Award for being "a bundle of energy" in promoting the business community.

"She's a great advocate of the chamber and what we're trying to do here," Malvarose said. "She's a great volunteer and representative for the chamber. She was also selected for the executive board of the chamber next year."

Nevitt will be installed as secretary at the January dinner along with David Nilsen as president, Diane Malvarose as vice president and Mary Mylan as treasurer.

Directors at-large who will also be installed that night are Ron Smith, Patrick Raymond, Janet Gaussoin and Bob Query.

For more information about the dinner and to make reservations, call Amber Wilson, chamber executive director, at 929-1583.

**NIPOMO CHAMBER of COMMERCE 37th ANNUAL
INSTALLATION of OFFICERS and AWARDS DINNER**

JANUARY the 21ST at the BLACKLAKE COUNTRY CLUB

NO HOST COCKTAILS at 6:00 WITH DINNER SERVED AT 7:00

NIPOMO CITIZEN OF THE YEAR—JEANNIE TAYLOR

NIPOMO BUSINESS OF THE YEAR—WILLOW MARKET

NIPOMO STUDENT OF THE YEAR

SERVICE PERSON OF THE YEAR—ROBERT and CHERYL TOLAN

KEEPING NIPOMO CLEAN AWARD—AGSD

AMBASSADOR OF THE YEAR—SHARON NEVITT

Chamber Installation Dinner \$70 Per Person

APPETIZER:

Crispy artichokes | lemon-caper aioli | parmesan

SALAD:

Fresh Field Greens | Hazelnut Clusters | Strawberry Vinaigrette | Goat Cheese

OR

Roasted Broccoli Soup | Wild Mushrooms | Applewood Smoked Bacon | Aged Cheddar

ENTREE:

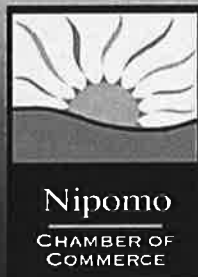
Almond Crusted Halibut | Sweet Potato Crumble | Green Bean-Wild Mushroom Casserole

OR

Steak Au Poivre Peppercorn Crusted New York Steak. Caramelized Onion-Potato Au Gratin. Seasonal Veggies.

DESSERT:

Flourless Chocolate Cake | Mixed Berry Compote | Vanilla Ice Cream

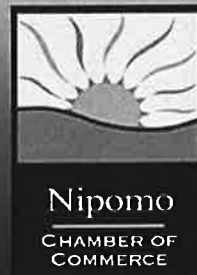


PLEASE RSVP TO AMBER AT 805.929.1583 or

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with the number in your party

and your menu selection



Armstrong re-elected NCSD board president



DECEMBER 14, 2015 1:54 PM • STAFF REPORT

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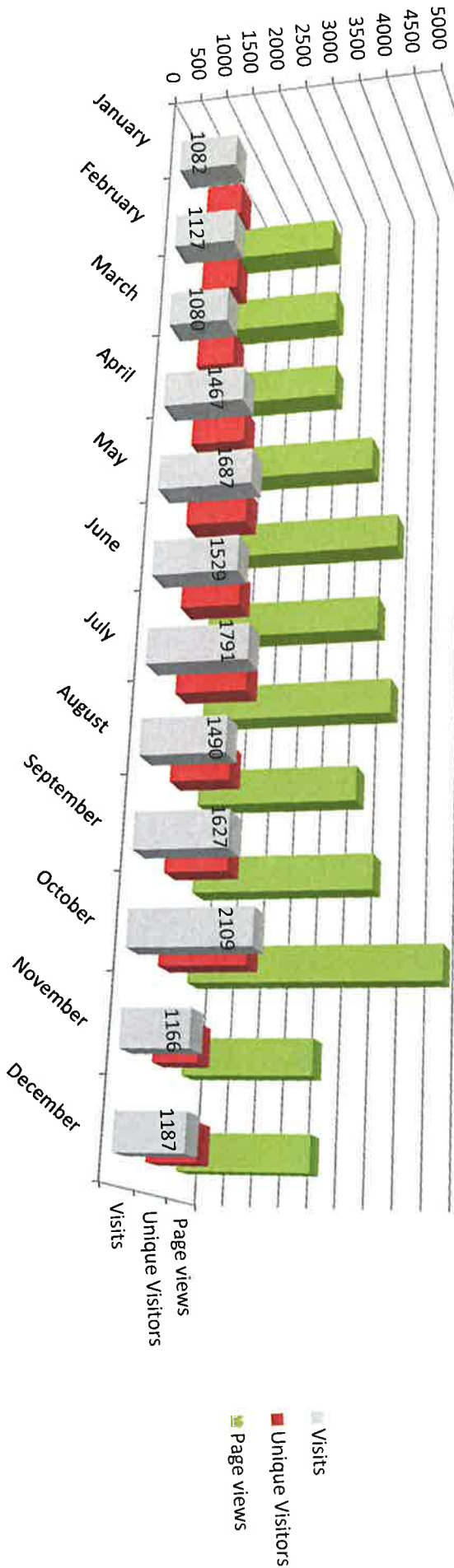
For more information, call the office at 929-1133 or visit www.ncsd.ca.gov.

2015 Website Traffic Summary

Week	Visits	Unique Visitors	Pageviews	Pages/Visit	Avg. Visit Duration	Bounce Rate	% New Visits	Highest Traffic Day	Significant Actions During the Week Possibly Contributing to Traffic
8/3/15 - 8/9/15	330	259	684	2.07	0:01:50	55.15%	56.67%	Fri 8/7	
8/10/15 - 8/16/15	313	246	641	2.05	0:01:51	49.84%	56.23%	Tue 8/11	
8/17/15 - 8/23/15	351	266	635	1.81	0:01:23	57.55%	54.42%	Mon 8/17	
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
11/30/15 - 12/6/15	326	247	584	1.79	0:01:16	62.58%	52.76%	Fri 12/4	
12/7/15 - 12/13/15	268	214	510	1.9	0:01:35	58.96%	54.48%	Thu 12/10	
12/14/15 - 12/20/15	308	250	752	2.44	0:01:32	68.18%	58.44%	Thu 12/17	
12/21/15 - 12/27/15	207	179	341	1.65	0:01:23	73.91%	65.70%	Mon 12/21	Low due to holiday
12/28/15 - 1/3/16	178	150	325	1.83	0:01:32	62.36%	66.29%	Tue 12/29	Low due to holiday

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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%	55.75%	2.18%	57.22%	-4.09%
September	1627	9.19%	1129	4.93%	3280	11.75%	2.02	2.54%	0:01:58	9.26%	50.45%	-9.51%	61.93%	8.23%
October	2109	29.63%	1542	36.58%	4546	38.60%	2.16	6.93%	0:01:52	-5.08%	55.06%	9.14%	53.86%	-13.03%
November	1166	-44.71%	787	-48.96%	2319	-48.99%	1.99	-7.87%	0:01:28	-21.43%	65.64%	-21.43%	57.71%	7.15%
December	1187	1.80%	865	9.91%	2327	0.34%	1.96	-1.51%	0:01:28	0.00%				



2015 Twitter Summary

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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)
12/4/15 - 1/7/16 (35 days)	8	8	6	36	3,200	Remember to turn those sprinklers off for at least 48 hrs after significant rainfall. http://fb.me/7EEVnXFAD (199 views) UPDATE: More sandbags have arrived at the District office. Sand is available near the back parking lot off Dana St. http://fb.me/2argHabmZ (181 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 (28 days)	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)
12/4/15 - 1/7/16 (35 days)	1	5	0	2	640	Still have your tree? Beginning the week of Jan 4th-8th on your garbage service day, South County Sanitary will remove your Christmas tree for free. Place in your green waste bin or on your curb. (208 views)

January 13, 2016

ITEM F

ATTACHMENT E

Si necesita asistencia en Español, tenemos representantes de servicio al cliente disponibles para ayudarle cuando lo solicite, por favor llame al número 1-800-999-4033.

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FILING BY GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY
FOR THE SANTA MARIA CUSTOMER SERVICE AREA
TO INCREASE RATES TO RECOVER THE COSTS RELATED TO THE NIPOMO
SUPPLEMENTAL WATER PROJECT**

APPLICATION NO. 15-11-010

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**NIPOMO COMMUNITY
SERVICES DISTRICT**

On November 16, 2015, Golden State Water Company (GSWC) filed its Nipomo Supplemental Water Project Application (A.15-11-010) (NSWP) with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) seeking approval to increase rates for costs related to Phase 1 of the NSWP. The application proposes to increase rates by \$391,902 in Golden State's Santa Maria customer service area, the cost of the Phase 1 portion of NSWP and as authorized in CPUC Decision 13-05-011. The CPUC ordered GSWC to file an application to request recovery of reasonable NSWP related capital costs, operation and maintenance costs and purchased water costs when recorded.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE NIPOMO SUPPLEMENTAL WATER PROJECT?

The NSWP secures water for the Nipomo Mesa area, which currently has inadequate access to water. When fully completed, the project will allow for 2,500 acre-feet of water per year to be imported to the Nipomo Mesa.

WHAT IS THE RATE IMPACT?

If approved, the average customer bill would increase by approximately 3% until the cost of Phase 1 has been fully recovered. The average residential customer using 18 Ccfs per month currently pays \$57.46. Their anticipated bill would increase to \$59.11 or 2.88%.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND TO OBTAIN A COPY OF THE APPLICATION

A copy of GSWC's Application No. 15-11-010, and related exhibits, may be reviewed at GSWC's Santa Maria Customer Service Area Office located at 2330 A St., Unit A, Santa Maria, California 93455, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The application may also be reviewed at the CPUC's Central Files Office by appointment only by contacting ALJcentralfilesid@cpuc.ca.gov or 415-703-2045.

If you need additional information, you may visit www.gswater.com or call GSWC's 24-hour Customer Service Center; toll free, at 1-800-999-4033, TTY 1-877-933-9533.

CPUC PROCESS

This application will be assigned to an Administrative Law Judge (Judge) who will determine how to receive evidence and other related documents, necessary for the CPUC to establish a record upon which to base its decision. Evidentiary Hearings (EHs) may be held where utilities, consumer advocacy groups, and other entities which have been given official status as "parties," will present their testimony and may be subject to cross-examination by other parties. These EHs are open to the

public, but only those who are parties may participate. The hearings and documents submitted in the proceeding become part of the formal record. The Judge relies upon the formal record when writing a proposed decision to present to the Commissioners for their consideration.

After considering all proposals and all evidence presented during the formal hearing process, the assigned Judge will issue a proposed decision, determining whether to adopt GSWC's request, modify it, or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon at a scheduled Commission Voting Meeting.

The Office of Ratepayer Advocates (ORA) may review this application. ORA is the independent consumer advocate within the CPUC with a legislative mandate to represent investor-owned utility customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. ORA has a multi-disciplinary staff with expertise in economics, finance, accounting and engineering. For more information about ORA, please call (415) 703-1584, e-mail ora@cpuc.ca.gov or visit ORA's website at www.ora.ca.gov.

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If you would like to follow this proceeding, or any other issue before the CPUC, you may use the CPUC's free subscription service. Sign up at: <http://subscribecpuc.cpuc.ca.gov/>.

If you would like to learn how you can participate in the proceeding, or if you have informal comments or questions about the CPUC processes, you may access the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office (PAO) webpage at www.cpuc.ca.gov/puc and click on "Public Advisor" from the CPUC Information Menu. You may also contact the PAO as follows:

Write: CPUC Public Advisor's Office, Room 2103
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Email: public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov

Phone: 1-866-849-8390 (toll-free) or 1-415-703-2074
1-866-836-7825 (toll-free) or TTY 1-415-703-5282

Please reference **GSWC's GRC Application No. 15-11-010** in any communications you have with the Commission regarding this matter. All public comments will become part of the public correspondence file for this proceeding and made available for review for the assigned Judge, the Commissioners, and appropriate CPUC staff.

GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY

January 13, 2016

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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND BUILDING

Promoting the wise use of land - Helping to build great communities

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Phillips 66 Proposed Rail Spur Project

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING & AVAILABILITY OF FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

NIPOMO COMMUNITY
SERVICES DISTRICT

- WHO:** San Luis Obispo County Planning Commission Hearing
- WHEN:** Thursday and Friday, **February 4th and 5th** 2016 at 9:00 a.m. Speaker Sign Up begins at 8:00AM (see below).
- WHAT:** Hearing to consider a request by, **Phillips 66**, for a Development Plan / Coastal Development Permit to allow for the modification of the existing rail spur currently on the southwest side of the Santa Maria Refinery (SMR) and installation of rail unloading facilities in order to bring in unrefined heavy crude via train. The rail spur extension is proposed entirely on the refinery property, and would be located east of the Union Pacific Railroad, in between the coast main rail line and Highway 1.

The project includes modification of the existing rail spur by constructing five parallel tracks and an unloading rack area. The Project would involve unloading of up to five unit trains per week (or a combined total of five unit and manifest trains), with an annual maximum number of trains not to exceed 250. Trains could arrive from different oilfields and/or crude oil loading points within North America depending on market availability. In a unit train configuration, each train would consist of three locomotives, two buffer cars, and 80 railcars carrying approximately 27,300 gallons each, for a total of approximately 2,190,000 gallons (52,000 bbls) of crude oil. The Project would not affect the permitted capacity of the refinery. Throughput levels at the refinery are capped by the County Department of Planning and Building and by the San Luis Obispo County Air Pollution Control District based on the approval of an existing Development Plan and Permit to Operate. In addition, no crude oil or refined product would be transported out of the refinery by rail, and no crude oil would be transported from the refinery by pipeline.

County Project Number: DRC2012-00095 Assessor Parcel Number(s): 092-401-011 – 013 & -005 and 092-411-005

- WHERE:** The hearing will be held in the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors Chambers, 1055 Monterey St., Room #D170, County Government Center, San Luis Obispo, CA. The Board of Supervisors Chambers are located on the corner of Santa Rosa and Monterey Streets. At the hearing all interested persons may express their views for or against, or to change the proposal.

IF YOU WISH TO COMMENT DURING THE HEARING:

Due to the large amount of public interest with this project, the County will be instituting a sign up system in order to speak during the public hearings. Interested members of the public will be allowed to speak upon sign up. Sign-ups will be available on site beginning at 8 AM at the Board of Supervisors Chambers listed

above. **Please go to one of the sign up tables just outside of the Board chambers to receive a speaker number.** In order to accommodate the public, we have arranged for overflow rooms with the hearing streaming for you to view and listen. Streaming locations are the San Luis Obispo City/County Library Community Room located at 995 Palm Street and the conference rooms just adjacent to the Board Hearing Chambers (Room 161/162). You can also view the event live from the County Planning Commission website.
<http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/planning/meetings.htm?>

More information on the specifics of the hearing will be available on our website approximately a week in advance of the hearing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: A copy of the staff report will be available on the Planning Department website approximately one to two weeks before the hearing date, www.sloplanning.org. You may contact **Ryan Hostetter**, Project Manager, in the San Luis Obispo County Department of Planning and Building, County Government Center, San Luis Obispo, California 93408 (805) 781-5600 or via email at rhostetter@co.slo.ca.us.

ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION: Also to be considered at the hearing will be the Final Environmental Impact Report for the item. The Environmental Coordinator, after completion of the initial study, finds that there is evidence that the project may have a significant effect on the environment, and therefore a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) was prepared (pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq., and CA Code of Regulations Section 15000 et seq.) for this project. The FEIR addresses all the information required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) including potential impacts on: Aesthetics, Agricultural Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology and Soils, Hazards, Land Use, Noise, Population and Housing, Public Services, Transportation and Water Resources.

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AVAILABILITY: Copies for review can be found at the following locations: City/County Library of San Luis Obispo, the Arroyo Grande branch library, Cal Poly library, Cuesta College library and the City of Paso Robles library. The document can also be viewed at the County Planning Department at 976 Osos Street Room 200 (Permit Center) in San Luis Obispo. The Document can be downloaded from the County Planning Department website www.sloplanning.org and click on the link for Phillips 66 under Environmental Impact Reports.

****If you challenge this matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this public notice or in written correspondence delivered to the appropriate authority at or before the public hearing****

If the county approves this project, that action may be eligible for appeal to the California Coastal Commission. Appeals must be filed in writing as provided by Coastal Zone Land Use Ordinance Section 23.01.043.

DATED: December 21, 2015

RAMONA HEDGES, SECRETARY
COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

January 13, 2016

ITEM F

ATTACHMENT G

AGENDA

Dan Buckshi
County Administrator



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Tuesday, January 12, 2016

CONSENT AGENDA

9:00 AM

REVIEW AND APPROVAL

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

BOARD BUSINESS

CLOSED SESSION

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AFTERNOON SESSION

1:30 PM

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

PRESENTATIONS

BOARD BUSINESS

HEARINGS

ADJOURNMENT

5:00 PM

- The Board of Supervisors' weekly agenda and staff reports are available at the following website: www.slocounty.ca.gov. Packets are also available at the County Government Center and may be viewed on-line at the Atascadero, Arroyo Grande, Paso Robles, Nipomo, Morro Bay, SLO City/County Libraries and the SLO Law Library.
- 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 2015-16 Surface Treatment, Various County Roads, San Luis Obispo County, for project approval, advertisement for construction bids, and find that the project is exempt from Section 21000 et seq. of the California Public Resources Code (CEQA). Bid opening date set for Monday, February 8, 2016. Districts 1, 4 and 5.
2. Letter transmitting plans and specifications (Clerk's File) for 2015-16 Chip Seal, Various County Roads, San Luis Obispo County, for project approval, advertisement of construction bids and find that the project is exempt from Section 21000 et seq. of the California Public Resources code (CEQA). Bid opening date set for Monday, February 8, 2016. Districts 1, 4 and 5.

Consent Agenda - Administrative Office Items:

3. Thirty-day update on current drought conditions and related management actions for the Board's review of the continuing need for the March 11, 2014 proclamation of local emergency pursuant to Government Code section 8630. All Districts.

Consent Agenda - Board of Supervisors Items:

4. Submittal of a resolution recognizing Betty Woody on her 90th birthday and thanking her for her dedicated service to the community of Avila Beach. All Districts.
5. Request to re-appoint Sue Minshull and John Bertoni to the Paso Robles District Cemetery Board of Trustees. District 1.

Consent Agenda - Central Services Items:

6. Request to: 1) approve a resolution authorizing the surplus and sale of County-owned real property in an unincorporated area of San Luis Obispo County adjacent to the southwestern Atascadero city limit; and 2) authorize a corresponding budget adjustment in the amount of \$9,400 for Fund Center 305 - Parks and Recreation. District 5.

Consent Agenda - Health Agency Items:

7. Request to approve calendar year 2016 renewal contracts with Rose Drago, M.D., David K. Fennell, M.D.; and Victor Perez Preciado, M.D. in the cumulative amount not to exceed \$206,530 to provide psychiatric services for Mental Health patients. All Districts.

Consent Agenda - Library Items:

8. Submittal of a resolution amending the Position Allocation List (PAL) for Fund Center 377 – Library to delete a vacant 1.00 FTE Library Driver Clerk and add a 1.00 FTE Administrative Assistant. All Districts.

Consent Agenda - Planning & Building Items:

9. Request to Authorize the Use of Alternative Publication Procedures for the Winter General Plan Amendment Cycle. All Districts.

Consent Agenda - Public Works Items:

10. Request approval to hire three (3) Wastewater Systems Workers, at pay level Steps 4 and 5, for the Los Osos Water Recycling Facility. District 2.
11. Submittal of right of way documents accepting conveyance from Phelan & Taylor Produce Company for the Oceano Drainage Improvement Project, Oceano. District 4.

Consent Agenda - Public Works Sitting as Flood Control District:

12. Request to authorize a budget adjustment in the amount of \$30,000 from the Flood Control and Water Conservation District General reserve for project studies and implementation of West Paso Robles Sediment Control and in the amount of \$30,000 from Flood Control Zone 3 reserves for the Meadow Creek Diversion channel improvements near the City of Pismo Beach. Districts 1 and 4.

Public Comment Period:

13. 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.

Board Business:

14. Status report on implementation of the contract with Transitions Mental Health Association for the 50 Now Program, which provides housing and supportive services for chronically homeless individuals. All Districts.
15. Update on the Proposed Draft Land Application of Biosolids Ordinance and Environmental Impact Report/Notice of Preparation Process. All Districts.

Closed Session Items:

16. 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 LEGAL COUNSEL - PENDING LITIGATION (Government Code section 54956.9.) It is the intention of the Board to meet in closed session concerning the following items: Existing Litigation (Gov. Code, section 54956.9(a)). (Formally initiated.) (3) ARB, Inc. v. County of San Luis Obispo; (4) Steinbeck Vineyards #1, LLC, et al. v. County of San Luis Obispo, et al.

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: (5) San Luis Obispo Government Attorney's Union (SLOGAU); (6) San Luis Obispo County Employees Association – Trades and Crafts (SLOCEA-T&C); (7) Deputy County Counsel's Association (DCCA); (8) Sheriffs' Management; (9) San Luis Obispo County Probation Peace Officers' Association (SLOCPPOA); (10) Deputy Sheriff's Association (DSA); (11) District Attorney Investigators' Association (DAIA); (12) San Luis Obispo County Probation Managers' Peace Officers' Association (SLOCPMPOA); (13) San Luis Obispo County Employees Association – Public Services, Supervisors, Clerical (SLOCEA – PSSC); (14) Unrepresented Management and Confidential Employees; and (15) Association of San Luis Obispo County Deputy Sheriffs (ASLOCDS).

RECESS

1:30 REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Presentations:

17. Submittal of a resolution requesting that the Board proclaim the month of January 2016, "San Luis Obispo County Human Trafficking Awareness Month." All Districts.

Board Business:

18. Consideration of a request by Black Lake Golf Resort, LLC to process a Specific Plan, General Plan and Land Use Ordinance Amendment (LRP2014-00016) to amend provisions of the Black Lake Specific Plan. The site is within the Black Lake Village Reserve Line in the South County Inland subarea of the South County Planning Area. District 4. This item was continued from March 24, June 2, and August 11, 2015 Board meetings.

Hearings:

19. Hearing to consider an appeal by Nipomo Business Center, LLC of the San Luis Obispo County Planning Commission's denial of a request by Nipomo Business Center, LLC for a Conditional Use Permit, DRC 2015-00017, to amend a previously approved Conditional Use Permit to allow an existing, legal, nonconforming billboard to remain for an additional 15 years located on the south corner of Story Street and South Frontage Road in the community of Nipomo, in the South County planning area. District 4.

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 December 30, 2015

Paso Robles

A request by Gregg Bone for a Conditional Use Permit to authorize a 94 sf public tasting room (for olive oil tasting), a 998 sf restaurant (limited food service facility) for on-site consumption, a 30 sf permanent farm stand that would be located within the existing 3,445 sf permitted olive processing building. The applicant is also requesting to allow the processing of olives not grown on-site, the processing of olives into table olives for sale onsite, and the construction of a 45 sf detached restroom. The site is located at 1111 Kiler Canyon Road, Paslo Robles. ED14-115/DRC2013-00096