

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: MICHAEL S. LEBRUN *MSL*
GENERAL MANAGER
DATE: OCTOBER 9, 2015

**AGENDA ITEM
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OCTOBER 14, 2015**

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

ITEM

Standing report to your Honorable Board -- *Period covered by this report is September 25, 2015 through, October 9, 2015.*

DISTRICT BUSINESS

Administrative

- On July 2, 2015, supplemental water deliveries from the City of Santa Maria commenced via the Nipomo-Santa Maria Intertie pipeline. Since deliveries began, approximately 153 acre-feet (50 million gallons) of supplemental water has been delivered into the District's water system directly offsetting groundwater pumping.
- 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%.
- On May 21st, the District enacted Stage III Shortage conditions requesting all customers to:
 - ✓ *Take direct control of automated irrigation systems*
 - ✓ *Provide minimum necessary water to preserve trees and shrubs*
 - ✓ *Do not drain or fill swimming pools or spas*
 - ✓ *Do not use water for dust control or construction*
 - ✓ *Do not wash cars or equipment*
 - ✓ *Drain ornamental water features*
- During September 2015, the District converted from chlorine to chloramine as a secondary disinfection. The conversion process required flushing the District water mains to minimize the time for free mixing of the two disinfectants. Despite this flushing, the District met water conservation goals as described below.
- Water production in September 2015 was **28% lower** than in September 2013, meeting the State mandated conservation goal of 28%. Groundwater production in September 2015 was **42% lower** than the average for August 2009-2013. See production summary attached to this report.
- The District encourages residents to provide reports of any observed water waste. Staff follows up each report with phone calls and written notice to customers when warranted. During September 2015, staff responded to 1 report of water waste.
- In September, staff proactively hung 23 door hangers on accounts where the billing meter read showed irregularly high water usage.

- During September, there were no leak adjustments.
- On July 1st, the District's updated miscellaneous fee schedule became effective. The number of late notices and 48-hour shut off notices processed each billing cycle continues to show a marked decline.

Safety Program

- No incidents or accidents to report

Public Outreach

- The following Public Outreach Program materials are attached:
 - A summary of recent outreach and education activities
 - District related advertising and news coverage
 - Press release log and press release
 - General Manager Recruitment Materials
 - Fall 2015 Classroom Conservation Program Materials
 - Social media traffic summary and Website Statistics

Other Items and News of Interest

The following are included as attachments to this Report:

- South County Sanitary Service (trash/solid waste service provider) has informed the District of a new organics diversion program intended to divert food waste from the landfill to recycling/composting facility. A copy of the South County Sanitary's September 17 letter and a brochure on the selected composting program are provided as attachments. Implementation of the organic diversion program will require an increase in services fee (your Board reviewed and approved a buy-down of this fee on August 12, 2015) and an extension of the District's solid waste services agreement. Your Board is scheduled to consider extending the agreement for solid waste services on November 12, 2015.
- October 15, 2015 LAFCO 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.

Fire Hydrant Metered Use

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

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

Connection Report

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
4325	4325	4325	4325	4326	4329	4332	4332	4333			
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13	34	13	21	15	17	11	24	18			
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Meetings

Meetings Attended (telephonically or in person):

- September 29, ASCE Chapter Lunch
- September 29, Director of Engineering and Operations
- September 30, Regular Board Meeting
- October 1 and 8, Management Coordination
- October 5, Board Officers
- October 6, Water Rights and General Counsel
- October 7, Public Information Director
- October 9, Development Project Counsel

Meetings Scheduled:

- October 13, Director of Engineering and Operations
- October 14, Regular Board Meeting
- October 15 and 22, Management Coordination
- October 16, NMMA Water Managers
- October 19, Board Officers

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RECOMMENDATION

Staff seeks direction and input from your Honorable Board

ATTACHMENTS

- A. September Water Production
- B. ASCE Announcement
- C. Summary of Outreach Program
- D. SLO County Press Release

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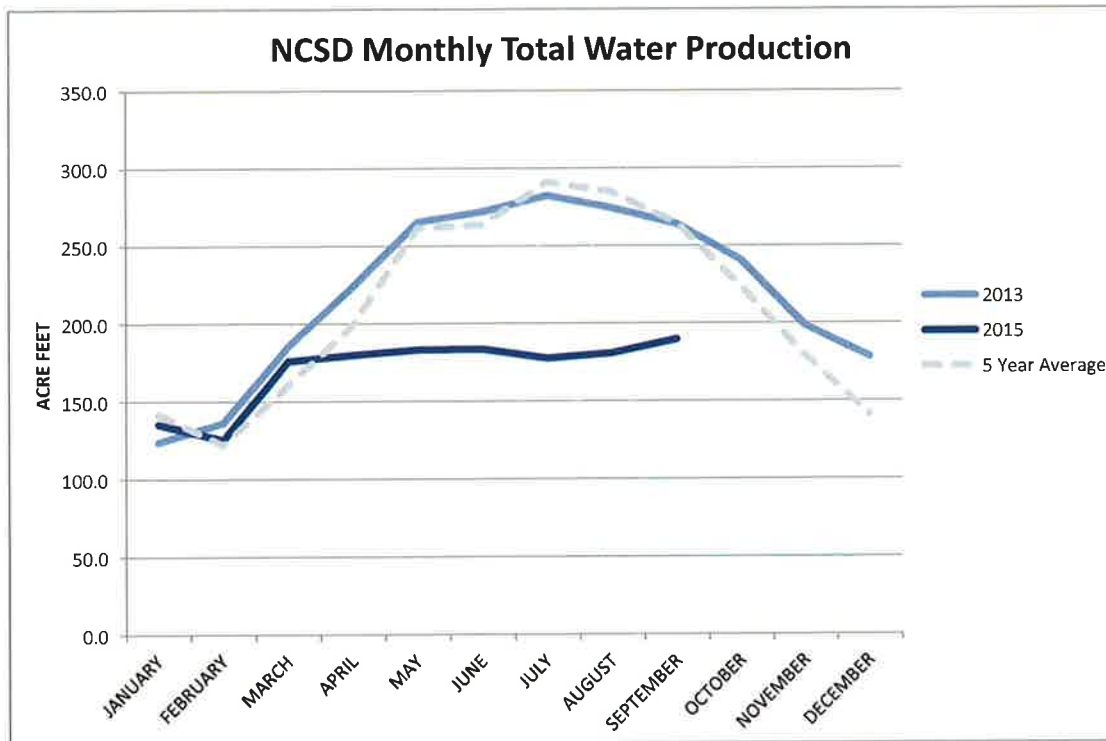
ATTACHMENT A

**NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
WATER PRODUCTION SUMMARY**

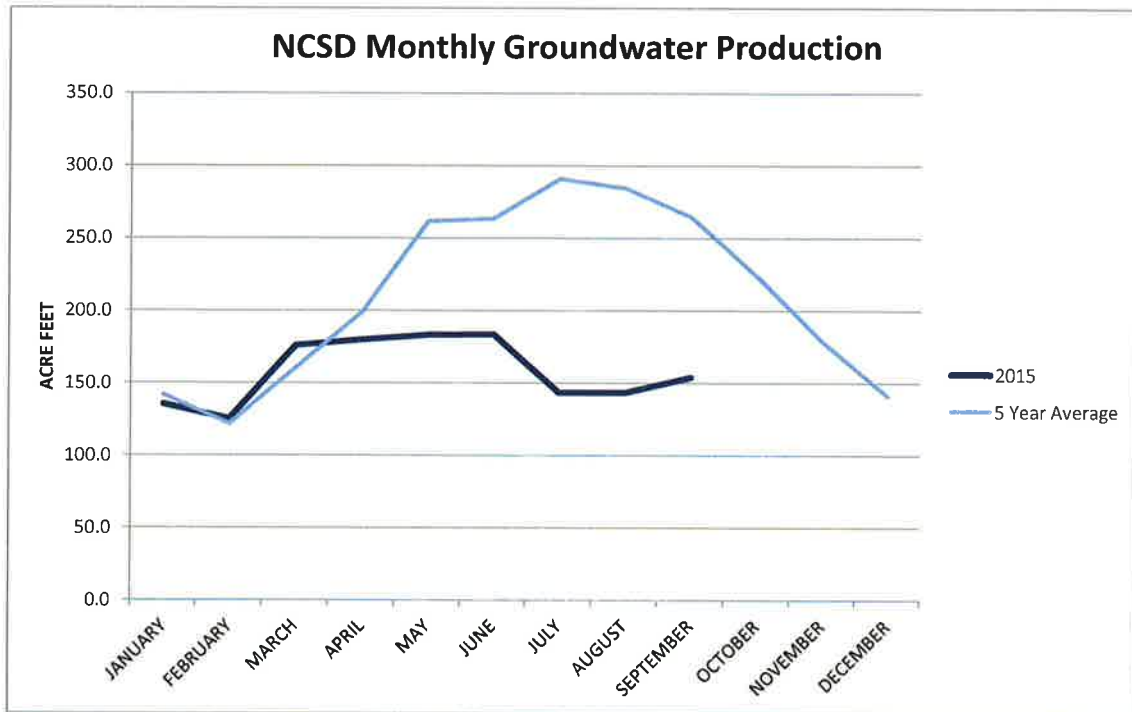
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	AF	AF	AF	AF	AF	AF	2015	2015	5 Year	15 to '13	15 to '13	15 to 5 yr
							AF	AF	Ave	%	%	%
JANUARY	158.6	124.8	136.5	166.6	124.0	194.8	135.5	135.5	142.1	9.3%		-4.6%
FEBRUARY	105.5	82.9	132.5	152.7	136.3	126.1	125.5	125.5	122.0	-8.0%		2.8%
MARCH	167.0	153.6	130.2	165.6	185.5	148.6	176.1	176.1	160.4	-5.1%		9.8%
APRIL	236.3	168.8	211.4	154.5	224.0	176.8	180.0	180.0	199.0	-19.6%		-9.5%
MAY	279.4	250.8	266.2	246.4	265.4	247.8	183.2	183.2	261.6	-31.0%		-30.0%
JUNE	268.2	286.1	248.5	243.2	272.1	239.5	183.6	183.6	263.6	-32.5%	-32.5%	-30.3%
JULY	308.3	285.0	294.4	285.6	282.4	251.2	177.6	143.5	291.2	-37.1%	-34.9%	-50.7%
AUGUST	302.4	286.6	281.2	279.2	274.4	234.3	180.9	143.5	284.7	-34.1%	-34.6%	-49.6%
SEPTEMBER	280.6	274.5	253.7	250.8	264.0	220.0	189.9	154.0	264.7	-28.1%	-33.0%	-41.8%
OCTOBER	228.1	191.5	223.2	234.5	240.5	213.4	0.0	0.0	223.6	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
NOVEMBER	220.8	147.1	149.1	180.0	198.4	151.7	0.0	0.0	179.1	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
DECEMBER	142.0	114.0	159.9	112.4	178.5	105.7	0.0	0.0	141.4	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
TOTALS	2697.2	2366	2487	2472	2645	2310	1532	1425	2456	-42.1%		-42.0%

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**



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Five Year
	AF	AF	AF	AF	AF	AF	Average
JANUARY	124.8	136.5	166.6	124.0	194.8	135.5	142.1
FEBRUARY	82.9	132.5	152.7	136.3	126.1	125.5	122.0
MARCH	153.6	130.2	165.6	185.5	148.6	176.1	160.4
APRIL	168.8	211.4	154.5	224.0	176.8	180.0	199.0
MAY	250.8	266.2	246.4	265.4	247.8	183.2	261.6
JUNE	286.1	248.5	243.2	272.1	239.5	183.6	263.6
JULY	285.0	294.4	285.6	282.4	251.2	143.5	291.2
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ATTACHMENT B

**NCSO Outreach Summary
October 2015**

Date Started	Outreach	Description	Status	Date Completed
9/21/2015	Ad	Conservation ad in 9/25 Adobe	Complete	9/21/2015
9/23/2015	Handout	One-sheet FAQ handout on taste and odor in water	Complete	9/28/2015
9/28/2015	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	9/28/2015
9/28/2015	Ad	Conservation ad in 10/2 Adobe	Complete	9/28/2015
7/9/2015	Bill Insert	Bill insert for solid Waste discount in Oct/Nov trash bills	Complete	9/30/2015
9/1/2015	Recruitment Brochure	Recruitment brochure for General Manager	Complete	10/1/2015
10/1/2015	Press Release	NCSO Customers Are Receiving a 50% Discount on Solid Waste Bill – Again!	Complete	10/2/2015
10/2/2015	Ad	General Manager recruitment ad in Santa Maria Times	Complete	10/2/2015
10/2/2015	Ad	General Manager recruitment ad in Tribune	Complete	10/2/2015
10/2/2015	Ad	General Manager recruitment ad in Santa Barbara News Press	Complete	10/2/2015
10/2/2015	Ad	General Manager recruitment ad on Craigslist	Complete	10/2/2015
10/2/2015	Ad	General Manager recruitment ad in Water District Jobs	Complete	10/2/2015
10/1/2015	Press Release	NCSO Director of Engineering & Operations Receives Prestigious Award	Complete	10/5/2015
10/5/2015	Chamber Newsletter	Conservation ad for Chamber of Commerce Octoberr newsletter	Complete	10/5/2015
10/5/2015	Chamber Email Blast	Conservation Tip for Chamber of Commerce weekly email update	Complete	10/5/2015
10/5/2015	Ad	General Manager recruitment ad on CSDA website	Complete	10/5/2015
10/5/2015	Ad	General Manager recruitment ad on Careers in Government website	Complete	10/5/2015
10/5/2015	Ad	General Manager recruitment ad on Western City-League of California Cities website	Complete	10/5/2015
10/5/2015	Ad	General Manager recruitment ad on Brown & Caldwell website	Complete	10/5/2015

**NCS D Outreach Summary
October 2015**

Date Started	Outreach	Description	Status	Date Completed
10/5/2015	Recruitment	Mailed recruitment packets for General Manager position	Complete	10/5/2015
10/5/2015	Recruitment	Emailed recruitment brochure to SLO County and Santa Barbara County LAFCO agencies	Complete	10/5/2015
10/6/2015	Ad	General Manager recruitment ad in Bakersfield Californian	Complete	10/6/2015
9/30/2015	Conservation Education	Purchase of water bottles for students in Science Discovery classes	Complete	10/7/2015
10/2/2015	Ad	General Manager recruitment ad in Jobs Available	Complete	10/7/2015
10/7/2015	Ad	General Manager recruitment ad on AWWA website	Complete	10/7/2015
9/25/2015	Social Media	Content posting	Complete; Ongoing	10/8/2015
9/25/2015	Website Updates	Home page; minutes; packets; chloramine info page; press releases; 218 Notice; community events; etc	Complete; Ongoing	10/8/2015
8/10/2015	Community Outreach	Preparation for District participation in Nipomo Octoberfest 10/10/15	In Progress	
10/1/2015	218 Notice	Notice in Legal Section of newspapers for 11/12 Public Hearing	In Progress	

OPINION

Help us spruce up Nipomo this Sunday

This Sunday, Sept. 27, is gardening day in Nipomo. Please join Nipomo in Bloom, the Rotary Club of Nipomo and Rotary Club of the Five Cities-Eco to spruce up the center medians on West Tefft Street and the flower baskets and barrels in Old Towne.

A big thank-you goes out to Helen and Alan Daurio, who have offered to donate the gorilla hair as ground cover for the center median.

We are also looking for donations to help with the purchase of drought-resistant plants for the medians. If you would like to help spruce them up, show up in the CVS Pharmacy parking lot at 8 a.m. Sunday.

You should bring your own hand tools, like clippers and hand rakes. We could also use a 6-foot ladder so we can reach the hanging baskets to dead-head the flowers.

Additionally, if you would like to adopt one or more barrels and take responsibility for maintaining them, please call me at 929-1120. Mary Hughes and Peggy Miller are adopted



Bits and Pieces of Nipomo
Jacqueline Vitt Frederick

barrels, and they look beautiful. Jim and Bev Larson continue to water and fertilize the barrels, and Rudy Stowell continues to water the hanging baskets.

It truly does "take a village" to care for our community.

Speaking of gardening, the Nipomo Native Garden Fall Plant Sale is coming up from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3.

There will be hundreds of California native and drought-tolerant plants for sale. You can also consult with members regarding appropriate plants for your specific landscaping

needs and obtain tips on propagation and transplanting techniques.

This is a sale that always sells out, so go early for the best plant selection.

The sale will take place at the Nipomo Native Garden off Pomeroy Road at Camino Caballo and Orange Road.

For more information, call 929-3589.

Arroyo Grande citizens are organizing to support an ordinance banning the use of polystyrene, commonly known by its brand name, Styrofoam.

The group, SLO Foam Free, started in March 2014 in San Luis Obispo and Morro Bay. Pismo Beach is considering an ordinance, and the group will also approach Grover Beach to adopt the same restriction.

They have raised concerns about litter in the streams, ocean and beaches and its effects on marine and bird species, which often see foam as a food source.

But after it's ingested, it gets caught in their digestive tract, eventually causing starvation.

They have also noted the landfill is impacted, as polystyrene food containers are not compostable or recyclable.

Additionally, they point out polystyrene is a poison to humans. When hot, oily or acidic food is served on polystyrene, toxins known to be carcinogenic enter the body.

Sen. Bill Monning, D-Carmel, is hosting a Diablo Canyon Informational town hall meeting from 3:30 to 7 p.m. today, Sept. 25, in rooms 5401 and 5403 at Cuesta College.

Jacqueline Vitt Frederick is a freelance writer and farmer in Nipomo and can be reached at jvitt@jvitt.com or 929-1120.

RUBES



"Well, I'd estimate between 2 and 3 this morning. So now that we've established when, just the big question remains: Why?"

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

Want to sound off about something? Send us your thoughts and ideas in a letter to the editor. Letters should be kept to 500 words or less but

may be edited for content and length. Letters can be emailed to letters@localcentral-coastnews.com; faxed to 928-5657; or mailed

to the Adobe Press, P.O. Box 400, Santa Maria, CA 93456-0400. Be sure to include your name, an email address or phone number and

your hometown. Phone numbers and email addresses are not published but are used by the editorial staff for verification purposes.

KRANKY



What's in our wastewater affects our drinking water

For most customers, the ability to flush away the contents of their toilets is every bit as important as having safe drinking water come out of their faucets.

Nipomo Community Services District collects, treats and reclaims more than 600,000 gallons of raw wastewater — aka, sewage — every day.

The district operates two wastewater systems: the Town System serving the Old Towne area and core of Nipomo, and the Blacklake System serving Blacklake Village.

Town System wastewater is conveyed to the treatment plant at Southland Street and South Frontage Road. There, the wastewater is treated to meet state discharge standards and then percolated back into our groundwater basin.

At Blacklake, wastewater is treated at the Blacklake plant, and the treated water is used to meet a portion of the golf course irrigation needs.



Michael LeBrun
Inside NCSD

the district and across the Nipomo Mesa are on septic systems and, therefore, are not connected to a wastewater treatment plant.

At those homes, wastewater is conveyed to the homeowner's private septic tank, treated and leached into the ground, eventually going back into the groundwater table.

Either way, flushing away your wastewater really means the water will, after treatment, end up back in the groundwater.

That fact should make it clear to all of us that we play an important

role in protecting our water supply.

Regardless of whether you are connected to one of the district's wastewater systems or on a private septic system, the only thing that should be disposed of in your toilet is human waste — no chemicals, no drugs, no cleaning products.

Additionally, do not dump grease and oil down the drain or into your garbage disposal. Those products can clog the district's collection system or your septic system and can lead to sewage spills.

To learn more about wastewater dos and don'ts, visit the district's website at www.ncsd.ca.gov. The website also provides information on where to safely dispose of household hazardous waste.

Michael LeBrun is the general manager of the Nipomo Community Services District. He can be reached by calling 929-1133 or by email at mlebrun@ncsd.ca.gov. Follow NCSD on Facebook or on Twitter at [NipomoCSD](https://twitter.com/NipomoCSD).

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George McGovern in my home county. How could I preach to them? I remember little about it now, except that my friend Frances, with whom I am a closer was hatched, raised, and sojourned for the power of God's love radiated through E made with us our times I've. If you need a place to be, you are in. I'm Eugenia Chamblee. I'm the pastor and I'd love to meet you.

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September 25, 2015

Information on Taste and Odor in Water

With delivery of supplemental water, the District's water supply now has a mix of water including State water. The Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA) recently notified State water recipients that non-harmful algae compounds recently entered the State Water Project's water supply. The following are some questions and answers regarding the recent taste and odor:

Why does my water smell and/or taste "bad"?

Algae compounds have recently entered into the State Water Project water supply. Nipomo now receives State water so customers are experiencing a different taste and odor.

What are "algae compounds"?

The algae compounds are identified as Methyl Isoborneol and Geosmin which give off a musty or dirty taste and odor to water.

Is the water safe?

The algae compounds do not affect safety of water for consumption. The District tests our water daily to ensure safety for use and drinking.

What is the State doing to address the algae?

The CCWA is adjusting its method of treatment to reduce the concentration of algae in the State Water Project's water supply.

How long will it last?

The State has informed water purveyors that this is a temporary issue though no timeframe has been given.

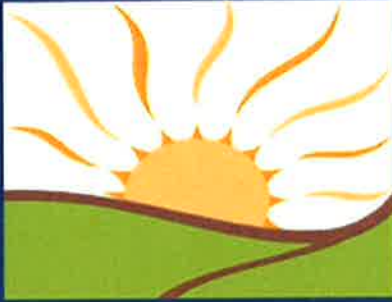
What can I do to minimize the musty taste in the time being?

Customers may consider chilling and/or adding citrus to their water.

For further questions, contact the District office at 805 929-1133 or info@ncsd.ca.gov.

Jessica Matson

From: Nipomo Chamber of Commerce <info@nipomochamber.org>
Sent: Monday, September 28, 2015 3:47 PM
To: Jessica Matson
Subject: Monday News - September 28, 2015



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Richard Malvarose
Chamber President
Nipomo Properties

Monday News

September 28, 2015

DON'T MISS OUT!
Octoberfest Vendor Application

October 10-11

Late fee applied after Friday, Oct 2nd
2015 Octoberfest Vendor Application

Holiday Street Fair Vendor Application

November 21, 2015

2015 Holiday Street Fair Vendor Application

Chamber Hours

Monday through Friday
9 am to 5 pm

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**NIPOMO NATIVE GARDEN
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Directions: Tefft to Pomeroy, left on Camino Caballo. Right on Osage.

OPINION

AG facing important decision on Brisco Road

Over the next few months, Arroyo Grande will be making one of the most important decisions about the future of our city. The decision on a solution for the congestion at Brisco and Highway roads will have a significant impact on the current and future quality of life in our community.

For the last 15-plus years, we have been developing and reviewing options. Of the two "built" options, No. 1 would close the northbound Highway 101 on- and offramps without replacement. That is similar to the temporary ramp closure model now being studied, but the plan would also significantly improve the overpass and ramps at East Grand Avenue by widening that bridge, adding an extra lane to the northbound offramp and left-turn lane as well as adding the southbound ramp.

At the Camino Mercedo ramps, extra width and lanes would be added as well.

The second option, No. 4C, would close the existing northbound ramps at Brisco Road and build new ones at Rodeo Drive.

Guest Commentary
Jim Hill,
Jim Guthrie

The new ramps would go into a large roundabout at West Branch Street and Rodeo at a lower elevation than present.

Ranch Street would be realigned away from Highway 101 into the roundabout, taking out some of the South County Regional Center parking and an associated structure.

On Highway 101, an extra lane would extend from the Grand Avenue onramp to the Rodeo Drive onramp, and the Rodeo Drive onramp would go over Brisco Road on an extension of the existing bridge.

The intersection of Rodeo Drive and Grace Lane would also be realigned.

The primary discussion has been about the potential impact on the immediate neighborhood and Caltrans' concerns about multiple closely spaced ramps on Highway 101.

There are at least equally important considerations of expense and

economic development impacts that need to be considered.

In an effort to make the most informed decision possible, we have embarked on an extensive traffic study to determine how the closure of the northbound Brisco on- and offramps will affect the alternative freeway access points at Grand Avenue, Camino Mercedo and Oak Park Boulevard and the interconnecting city streets.

There are some who think the \$100,000 we are spending on the study is a waste of taxpayers' money.

Considering that we could be spending somewhere north of \$20 million on one of the alternatives, we are certain the investment will pay significant dividends.

The primary expense and difference between this and a previous study is the data collection over a larger area and longer period of time. That will give us a more accurate picture of the traffic displacement caused by the closure and a more accurate impression of how traffic patterns will ultimately play out.

We recognize the study will have a significant effect on some interchange users, although based on the 2007 closure, we may see a net improvement for most of them.

Data collection is the primary purpose of the study, but the real-time experience of the actual users is equally valuable.

We are setting up an easy way for you to provide feedback after you have actually experienced the closure with a simple email address: brisco@arroyogrande.org. We ask your patience during the study and look forward to your input to help us make this important decision.

Jim Hill is mayor of Arroyo Grande, and Jim Guthrie is a city councilman. They are the two council members serving on the ad hoc Brisco Highway Committee that's working on the interchange project.

KRANKY



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Police actions cause for alarm

In contradiction to the propaganda coming from government apologists, U.S. citizens are not engaging the police in a war.

Police departments do have issue with low recruitment numbers, and it is of their own making. Lock at social media's vast collection of videos of police and Border Patrol agents routinely and knowingly violating citizens' constitutional protected rights.

People want police accountability and a justice system that does not incarcerate people for victimless crimes. They want due process.

Consider that the United States has 5 percent of the world's population, yet 25 percent of its prisoners.

Recently in Texas, a police raid shut down a dangerous lemonade stand run by girls 7 and 8 years old.

Until law enforcement interfaces with the citizens honestly and honorably, I suspect the situation will only get worse.

William Mirken
NIPOMO

Real dangers in oil train

The Santa Maria Times recently published letters and an editorial in support of the Phillips 66 proposed rail expansion, and a

response is due.

The Phillips 66 rail expansion is a euphemism for the railroad depot proposed across Highway 1 from hundreds of residences at Monarch Dunes.

That depot would take about two years to construct on the sands south of the refinery in an area already polluted by particulate matter at a dangerous level.

Phillips proposes bringing in five unit trains each week, each composed of 80 fuel-laden DOT 111 tankers — tankers proposed for eventual discard as not sufficiently safe.

Each unit will be pulled by three locomotives, which will idle during the entire unloading process.

Furthermore, the depot will be lighted through the night, and precautionary horn blasts are permitted by the environmental impact report, day or night, any day of the week — all Class 1 impacts that cannot be mitigated.

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

Want to sound off about something? Send us your thoughts and ideas in a letter to the editor.

Letters should be kept to 500 words or less but may be edited for content and length.

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Many electronic products such as computers, televisions, microwave ovens and other common items such as household batteries, paints and solvents are considered Household Hazardous Waste (HHW).

Proper disposal of HHW is vital to preserving our community's environmental health. HHW materials **should not be** flushed in the toilet, dumped in a drain or disposed of in the regular trash. The penalties can be substantial.

Household Hazardous Waste must be taken to a licensed disposal facility.

Nipomo residents can dispose of items at the Nipomo Household Hazardous Waste Facility at 590 Southland (access from Frontage Road) on SATURDAYS ONLY from 11am – 3pm.





NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR

GENERAL MANAGER





NIPOMO IS KNOWN FOR ITS OPEN SPACE AND FRIENDLY LIFESTYLE. CLIMATE IS MEDITERRANEAN. MANY HOMES ARE ON AN ACRE OR MORE.



THE NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT'S MISSION IS TO PROVIDE ITS CUSTOMERS WITH RELIABLE, QUALITY, AND COST-EFFECTIVE SERVICES NOW AND IN THE FUTURE.



THE COMMUNITY

Nipomo is located in southern San Luis Obispo County on California's Central Coast, approximately halfway between Los Angeles and San Francisco. The nearest city to the north is Arroyo Grande and the nearest city to the south is Santa Maria (Santa Barbara County). Nipomo is located at the foot of the Temettate Ridge. Appropriately, the name Nipomo is derived from the Chumash native American's word "Nepomah", meaning "the foot of the hills".

The small community provides many of the basic necessities including: high school and elementary schools, medical centers and professionals, grocery shopping, restaurants, public library, county park, senior center, lodging, local drug stores and pharmacies, and a variety of clubs and activities.

Nipomo is known for its open space and friendly lifestyle. Climate is mild with temperatures rarely reaching above 85 or below 30 degrees Fahrenheit. Many homes are on an acre or more and provide space to keep a horse, plant a garden or an orchard of fruit trees, and comfort to walk, run, or ride a bike or horse. The community is very proud of its heritage that began with the Rancho Era of Alta California before California itself became a state.

THE DISTRICT

The Nipomo Community Services District (District) is a multi-service special district formed on January 28, 1965. The District serves residents and property owners within its approximately seven square mile service area with water, sewer, solid waste, and limited drainage, street lighting, and street landscape maintenance. The District has a stable and pragmatic five-member elected Board of Directors that governs the District. In 2013 and 2015, the District received Special District Leadership Foundation Transparency Certificate of Excellence. The current General Manager is retiring.

The District has an operating budget of approximately \$9.0 million and eighteen full-time staff positions. The Finance Director has been an employee of the District for nearly twenty-three years. The District has received unqualified audit reports for more than twenty years. For the past two fiscal years the District has received the prestigious Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting (CAFR) from the Government Finance Officers Association for its comprehensive annual financial report.

The District operates a water system serving the entire customer base and two sewer systems which serve a subset of the water customer base (some homes are on individual sewage disposal (septic) systems). In recent years, the District completed over \$35 million in capital improvement projects on schedule and within budget. Projects include a \$13M upgrade of its Southland Wastewater Treatment Facility (completed October 2014) and a \$17M Phase 1 Supplemental Water Project (completed September 2015). The District's Director of Engineering Operations is the San Luis Obispo County Chapter and Los Angeles Section, American Society of Civil Engineers, 2015 Outstanding Civil Engineer in Public Sector.



The District's vision is to provide superior and cost-effective services to its customers, a valued place to work for employees, respected and supported by our public and peers, and helping to maintain the rural quality of life in Nipomo.

The District's values are: (expressed as questions which can be posed to help make difficult decisions)

- *Is it open, transparent and responsive to our customers?*
- *Is it sensitive to rates, cost efficient and financially responsible?*
- *Does it support our commitment to maintaining quality facilities and infrastructure?*
- *Does it support our ability to provide quality and reliable services?*
- *Does it support the welfare of our employees?*
- *Does it support the quality of life and rural character of our community?*

CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

- Water resources protection:
 - The District will need to build out its supplemental water project to full capacity of 3,000 AFY over the next 5-7 years.
 - The District seeks to have the County implement sustainable water supply policies in conjunction with development approval.
 - The District must continue to pursue other sources of water for long-term supply sustainability.
 - The District must continue to be a leader on the local groundwater management area technical committee and 'at the table' for regional water supply planning.
- A facilities review of the Blacklake Wastewater collection and treatment system is underway and needs to be completed. This will be followed by a rate study to support the needed capital improvements of the system. A proposed rate increase and hearing is expected in the next eighteen months.
- An update of the District's 2007 Water and Sewer Master Plan is needed.
- Completion of the ongoing billing and accounting software conversion.

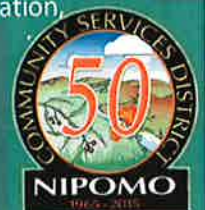
THE IDEAL CANDIDATE

The ideal candidate will be comfortable and competent in public meetings. The future General Manager will have a strong background in water resources management, public agency law, and public administration. The candidate will have competency in a broad range of technical, operational, and administrative topics and the ability to convey complex issues to lay audiences with tact and composure.

The Board is seeking an enthusiastic leader who is a creative and experienced individual for their new General Manager. The candidate will possess experience building and leading a cohesive staff team. The incoming Manager should be knowledgeable about and skilled in addressing California water resource issues, working with multi-agency partnerships, County Boards/Councils and consultants.

The ideal candidate will have demonstrated an ability to listen and understand a variety of viewpoints, facilitate discussions and address complex issues pragmatically with respect for all parties and views. The new General Manager will have excellent interpersonal and communication skills combined with strong negotiating skills to address issues facing the District.

The ideal candidate will have a minimum of seven years of progressively increasing experience in public administration and managing public utilities. Direct experience in water resources acquisition and management is highly desirable. The candidate will have a degree in one of the following fields: public administration, business administration, engineering, or law.



COMPENSATION

The starting salary for the General Manager is \$135,000 and up depending on qualifications (DOQ). The District offers an excellent benefits package including:

Retirement: PERS 3% @60. Depends on applicants status in PERS.

Social Security: The District does not participate in Social Security but does provide 1.45 % matching Medicare contribution.

Health Insurance: The District pays 100% of premium for employee and dependents.

Dental/Vision: The District pays 100% of premiums for employee and dependents.

Deferred Compensation: Plan available with no District contribution.

Vehicle: A vehicle is available for the General Manager's use while working.

Sick Leave: Eight hours per month with accrual to a maximum of 180 days.

Vacation: Negotiable.

Holidays: 12 paid holidays per year.

Contract: The District will provide the new General Manager with a contract.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

The information contained in the application and responses to the supplemental questions will be evaluated and taken into consideration throughout the employment process. Applicants should list all employers and positions held within the last ten years in the work history section of the application and be as thorough as possible when responding to the supplemental questions.

Candidates must complete the supplemental questions to be considered. Please also attach a resume and cover letter to your application.

This is a civil service position. Therefore, an application screening will be conducted to evaluate satisfaction of minimum qualifications. Candidates considered most qualified will be invited to a Panel Interview. The most appropriate candidates from the Panel Interview will be forwarded for a Final Selection Interview with the Board of Directors.

TIMELINE AND TENTATIVE KEY DATES

- ◆ Application materials accepted through Monday, November 2, 2015
- ◆ Application materials and supplemental questions screened the week of November 2nd
- ◆ Panel Interviews November 20th & 23rd
- ◆ Final Selection Interviews with Board of Directors week of November 30th or December 7th

Please be mindful of the timeframe established above. Although it may be subject to some change, it would be wise to plan availability around these dates.

TO APPLY

If you are interested in this outstanding opportunity, please submit a job application, responses to supplemental questions, a resume and cover letter via email or mail. All applications must be received by 4:30 PM on Monday, November 2, 2015.

Questions can be directed to:
Lisa Bognuda, Finance Director & Assistant General Manager
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OUTSTANDING GENERAL MANAGER OPPORTUNITY

The current General Manager of Nipomo Community Services District is retiring. This results in an excellent career opportunity coming available for the right professional. Nipomo is located in southern San Luis Obispo County on the Central Coast of California, approximately halfway between Los Angeles and San Francisco. The District serves nearly 4,400 mainly residential properties with water, sewer, solid waste services, as well as street lighting, drainage and street landscape maintenance in limited areas. The General Manager receives policy direction from a five member Board of Directors and works closely with the Board on a variety of issues.

The incoming Manager will oversee an operating budget of \$9.0 million and a full-time staff of eighteen. The Board is seeking an enthusiastic, creative and experienced leader for their new General Manager. Strong candidates will possess experience with: building and leading a cohesive staff team; water resources management, law, and acquisition; public agency administration and law; and, multi-agency partnerships. The new General Manager will be a strategic thinker, have excellent interpersonal and communication skills combined with strong negotiating skills. The ideal candidate will have a minimum of seven years of experience in public administration, administering public utilities and/or managing public works projects and staff resources. Direct experience in water resources and public agency law is desirable. A Degree is required in public administration, business administration, engineering, or a related field. The starting salary for the General Manager is \$135,000 and up, depending on qualifications. The District also offers an attractive benefits package. If you are interested in this outstanding opportunity, please download application materials online at www.ncsd.ca.gov. Please contact Ms. Lisa Bognuda should you have any questions. Brochure available. Closing date November 2, 2015.

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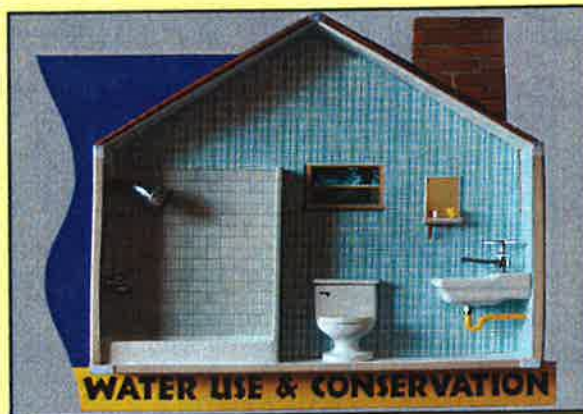
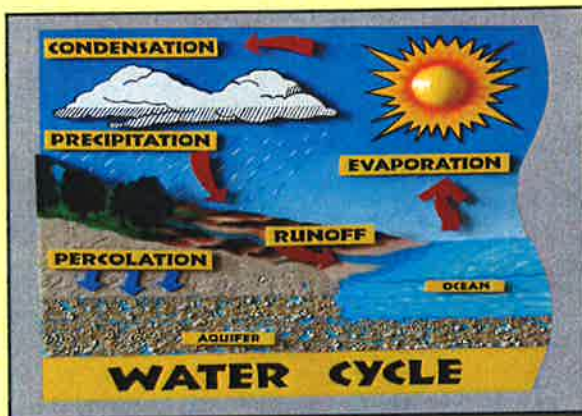
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CLASS PROGRAM, FREE WATER BOTTLES, AND A POSTER CONTEST HIGHLIGHT WATER EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Story of Your Water

This free 45-minute class presentation will help 3rd – 6th grade students understand the importance of water resources in Nipomo. The presentation is correlated to the California Academic Science Standards (see page 2). Interactive three-dimensional storyboards, called the water puzzle, are used to keep students focused and involved.

TOPICS INCLUDE: The Water Cycle, Groundwater Supply, Water Conservation in and Outside the Home, and Wastewater Treatment.



Call 781-8341 to schedule or for questions

grade levels

3rd

4th

5th

6th

The Story of Your Water

Physical Sciences

- 1 e. Matter has three forms
- f. Evaporation/melting occur during heating
- g. When two or more substances are combined a new substance with new properties can be formed

Life Sciences

- 3 c. Living things cause changes in the environment

I & E

- 5 d. Predict the outcome of a simple investigation

Life Sciences

- 2 b. Producers and consumers compete for resources
- c. Decomposers recycle matter
- 3 d. Most microorganisms are beneficial

Earth Sciences

- 5 c. Moving water erodes & reshapes the land

Physical Sciences

- 1 a. When two substances react they may form substances with new properties

Earth Sciences

- 3 a. Most of the Earth's water contains salt
- b. When liquid water evaporates it changes form
- c. Water moves in the air from place to place
- d. Fresh water is limited
- e. Origin of water used by local communities

Earth Sciences

- 4 a. The sun is the major energy source powering the water cycle
- 6 a. The utility of energy sources is determined by factors
- b. Classify different energy sources as renewable or nonrenewable

Water



Education



Staff

WATER BOTTLES



David Lindsey is beginning his tenth year teaching about the environment. His energy and presentation skills are terrific! David has a BA in Social Science from Humboldt State University. Students love David's songs, enthusiasm, and passion for the programs he provides.



Stacey Smith has a BS in Education from Eastern Michigan University, and a California teaching certificate. Stacey's environmental education experience was gained while working as a naturalist at an outdoor school in northern California. Stacey looks forward to her eighth year with the program.



Nick Coonrod has a BA in Environmental Studies from UC Santa Barbara, and has experience teaching elementary school students at an outdoor science school. He enjoys sharing his knowledge of environmental topics, providing students the opportunity to learn in a way that is fun and engaging. This is Nick's fourth year with our education team. We welcome the skills and leadership that he brings to our program!

The Nipomo Community Services District and Golden State Water Company are pleased to offer you and students in grades 3rd - 6th these reusable water bottles. Upon completion of the water program (see page 1), you'll receive the water bottles as recognition of your dedication to the study of water conservation and awareness in Nipomo.

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See Insert For Details, Or Call 781-8341

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Below: Students from Nipomo, Dana and Dorothea Lange Elementary Schools received awards during the 2014-15 school year as part of the water conservation poster contest.



Above Teachers & students with NCS D Board Members: Director Dan Woodson, Director Bob Blair, President Craig Armstrong, Vice President Dan Allen Gaddis and Director Ed Eby.

Some outstanding entries from last year's contest.



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Grade Level _____ Best Time to Call _____

Presentation Requested	Date, 1 st Choice	Date, 2 nd Choice	Time
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9/21/2015	Nipomo CSD's General Manager Announces Retirement in 2016	9/21/2015	9/21/2015	BC Water News	9/1/2015 9/3/2015	Sun/Canary	9/3/2015		
10/2/2015	NCSD Customers Are Receiving a 50% Discount on Solid Waste Bill – Again!	10/2/2015	10/2/2015	Tribune	9/21/2015	SM Times	9/22/2015		
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: October 5, 2015
Contact: Michael S. LeBrun, General Manager
Nipomo Community Services District
148 S. Wilson St., Nipomo, CA 93444
Phone: (805) 929-1133 – Email: mlebrun@ncsd.ca.gov



NCSD Director of Engineering & Operations Receives Prestigious Award

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

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

In July, Peter was presented with the award at the County level and his nomination then forwarded to the Los Angeles Section. The Los Angeles Section of ASCE includes most all of Southern CA, meaning Mr. Sevcik competed against engineers from some large agencies in Los Angeles and Orange Counties, making this honor especially noteworthy. Mr. Sevcik will now be considered for "Outstanding Civil Engineer in the Public Sector" for all of California.

"ASCE is not just recognizing Peter's outstanding performance as an Engineer, they are also recognizing his professional leadership and his commitment to his family and community," said General Manager, Michael LeBrun.

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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NCSD Customers Are Receiving a 50% Discount on Solid Waste Bill – Again!

The Nipomo Community Services District Board of Directors once again approved a one-time discount to District customers' solid waste bill. Both residential and commercial customers will see the one-time 50% reduction in their October/November bi-monthly solid waste bills (two one-month bills for commercial accounts). The reduction was also approved and provided to customers in January/February 2015.

The District holds a Franchise Agreement with South County Sanitation for providing solid waste collection services within the District. The Agreement generates a fee paid to the District as a proportion of the fees collected by the Sanitation Company from customers within NCSD.

The District uses franchise fees to fund community wide cleanup efforts including sponsorship of Creek Day, funding the Chamber of Commerce's Keep Nipomo Clean program, and servicing the garbage common cans in Olde Towne. However, District solid waste reserves have grown over the years and the Board of Directors felt a direct return of the funds to all District customers, both residential and commercial, by subsidizing the garbage bill was the most equitable and efficient way to spend the reserve down.

General Manager, Michael LeBrun, stated "The Board is most often faced with having to raise its rates for service, so this is a nice turn-of-events for them."

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NCSD director of engineering receives prestigious award



OCTOBER 05, 2015 4:32 PM • STAFF REPORT

The director of engineering and operations for Nipomo Community Services District has been honored with the Outstanding Civil Engineer in the Public Sector Award for the Los Angeles Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

Peter Sevcik was presented the prestigious award Oct. 3 at the section's annual meeting, installation of officers and awards luncheon at the Proud Bird aviation-themed restaurant in Los Angeles.

In July, Sevcik received the outstanding civil engineer award at the branch level from the San

Luis Obispo ASCE, which nominated him for the Los Angeles Section award.

An NCSD spokesman said this latest honor is especially noteworthy because the Los Angeles Section includes almost all of Southern California, so Sevcik was competing against engineers from some large agencies in Los Angeles and Orange counties.

"ASCE is not just recognizing Peter's outstanding performance as an engineer, they are also recognizing his professional leadership and his commitment to his family and community," said NCSD General Manager Michael LeBrun.

He noted Sevcik was instrumental in bringing more than \$30 million in public works projects from concept to completion during his nearly eight years with NCSD, one of the most notable being the supplemental water project that connected a pipeline to Santa Maria to import water to the Nipomo Mesa.

Sevcik is a registered professional engineer in the California and has approximately 25 years of experience in the fields of wastewater and water, including project management, construction management, design, planning, operations and maintenance.

He will now be considered for the Outstanding Civil Engineer in the Public Sector Award for all of California.

NCSD customers to get discount on trash bills

OCTOBER 05, 2015 4:03 PM • STAFF REPORT

Nipomo Community Services District customers will again receive a discount on their trash collection bills for one two-month period.

Residential customers will see a 50-percent reduction in their solid waste collection bills for the October-November period, while commercial customers will see the reduction on their one-month bills for those months.

The discount was approved Sept. 30 by the NCSD board of directors, which previously approved a similar discount for customers in the January-February period.

Money to cover the cost of the discount will come from the district's solid waste franchise fee fund.

NCSD holds a franchise agreement with South County Sanitation to provide solid waste collection services within the district, an NCSD spokesman said.

The sanitation company pays a fee to NCSD based on a portion of the charges collected from customers within the district, and those funds are used to underwrite communitywide cleanup efforts.

Those include sponsoring the local Creek Day activities, funding the Nipomo Chamber of Commerce's Keep Nipomo Clean program and servicing the public trash cans in Olde Towne.

However, the solid waste fund reserves have grown over the years, and the board members decided a direct return to customers by subsidizing the garbage bill was the most equitable and efficient way to spend down the reserve, the spokesman said.

"The board is most often faced with having to raise its rates for service, so this is a nice turn-of-events for them," said Michael LeBrun, district general manager.

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Cities taking Mesa water purveyors to court

OCTOBER 06, 2015 7:48 PM • MIKE HODGSON MHODGSON@LEECENTRALCOASTNEWS.COM

Three South County cities are asking a superior court to issue a series of injunctions against the county as well as four water purveyors and a business on the Nipomo Mesa to enforce the 2005 settlement in a groundwater rights lawsuit.

Attorneys for Arroyo Grande, Grover Beach and Pismo Beach filed the motion, along with a proposed court order and supporting documents, Sept. 29 in Santa Clara County Superior Court, where the original lawsuit was adjudicated.

The documents call for the case to be heard by Judge Joseph Huber at 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 5, 2016, in Department 21 of Santa Clara County Superior Court.

The petition alleges Nipomo Community Services District, Golden State Water Co., Woodlands Mutual Water Co., Rural Water Co. and Phillips 66, as members of the Nipomo Mesa Management Area, and San Luis Obispo County have violated the terms of the stipulated agreement reached in 2005 and a subsequent judgment in 2008.

NCSD General Manager Michael LeBrun, who provided copies of the court documents to the media, said the district has no comment yet on the petition.

“District counsel is reviewing the filing and will be advising the District and board on (a) response,” LeBrun said.

“At this time, we don’t have any comment to give, but we did want to be sure the public is made aware of the latest on this case which impacts all communities that rely on the Santa Maria (Valley) Groundwater Basin for water supply.”

According to the petition, the water purveyors and Phillips 66 refinery have failed to meet the terms of the agreement by pumping more groundwater than they were allocated, not bringing in enough supplemental water soon enough to offset the overpumping and not implementing strict conservation measures.

The county is accused of continuing to approve development projects within the Nipomo Mesa Management Area established by the court, thus increasing the demand for water and increasing the overpumping of the basin.

The petitioners claim the actions and inactions of the Nipomo Mesa agencies, the refinery and the county have damaged the three cities and their residents and businesses of the Northern Cities Management Area they are part of.

By pumping some 16,000 acre-feet of water from the aquifer in 2014, or nearly 10,000 acre-feet more than its safe yield, the water purveyors have created a pumping depression where the groundwater level has fallen below sea level, the petition states.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**Dates set for water basin talks****SLO County leaders plan hearings to discuss creation of water conservation program and a management district for Paso Robles basin**

By David Sneed

dsneed@thetribunenews.com

Two hearings have been set that could lead to fundamental changes in how groundwater in the Paso Robles and Nipomo Mesa basins is managed.

On Tuesday, the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors set a hearing for Oct. 27 to consider establishing a countywide water conservation program. The program would primarily apply to the Paso Robles and Nipomo Mesa basins and would require that new uses of groundwater in those basins be offset by an equal amount of conservation and would prohibit the wasteful use of water countywide.

Supervisors also set a hearing for Nov. 10 to consider scheduling three elections for March 8 that could establish and fund a water management district for the Paso Robles basin and elect the district's board of directors.

The hearings are liable to be lengthy and controversial. Past hearings on groundwater management have drawn dozens of speakers both for and against forming a management district for the Paso Robles groundwater basin.

Supervisors have been split, with Supervisors Adam Hill, Bruce Gibson and Frank Mecham favoring the formation of a district. Supervisors Debbie Arnold and Lynn Compton have voted against it.

Tuesday's resolutions to set the hearings were on the board's consent agenda — a part of the agenda reserved for noncontroversial procedural items. Neither item was pulled from the consent agenda for discussion.

Board Chairwoman Arnold and staff stressed that the board was only scheduling

future hearings and nothing was being decided Tuesday.

"Since this item is an introduction, no action beyond scheduling the public hearing date is necessary at this time," according to a staff report.

The water conservation program replaces and expands a two-year emergency ordinance for the Paso Robles basin that expired Aug. 27. It expands the offset requirement to the Nipomo Mesa basin and adds provisions for collecting fees and the requirement that new wells installed as part of the offset programs in the Paso Robles and Nipomo Mesa basins be metered to measure use.

New fees proposed as part of the ordinance are a \$375 inspection fee for new well meters and a \$1,844.24 fee to verify new agricultural offset programs in the Paso Robles basin.

At the Nov. 10 hearing, supervisors will decide whether to finalize a tentative vote taken in August to create a parcel tax that would provide nearly \$1 million for management of the Paso Robles basin.

Final approval of the parcel tax will trigger the scheduling of an election tentatively set for March 8 that will put three pivotal questions to voters and property owners in the Paso Robles basin.

Two-thirds of the estimated 7,049 voters in the basin would have to approve the parcel tax for it to take effect. A majority of property owners in the basin will decide whether to form the water district. Finally, if the water district is approved and funded, voters and property owners in the basin would elect a nine-member district board of directors.

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Nipomo residents get trash discount

BY KAYTLYN LESLIE

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— *Kaytlyn Leslie*

Partner-loss support offered

Hospice of San Luis Obispo County is offering a new spouse/partner-loss support group for those under the age of 60.

The new group, offered Tuesdays from 5:30 to 7 p.m., will address concerns such as managing active careers, single parenting and financial consequences, according to a news release from the nonprofit volunteer organization.

The group will meet at Hospice's San Luis Obispo office at 1304 Pacific St. The group is drop-in and there is no charge to attend.

Anyone with questions can call 544-2266.

For more information, visit www.hospiceslo.org.

CALIFORNIA DROUGHT

SLO County cities exceed goals for water conservation

Average resident's use per day varies from 56.9 gallons in SLO to 126.1 gallons in Nipomo district

By Cynthia Lambert
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SLO COUNTY WATER CONSERVATION

WATER SUPPLIER	CONSERVATION STANDARD	WATER SAVINGS, Aug. 2015 vs. Aug. 2013
Arroyo Grande	28%	36%
Atascadero Mutual Water Co.	28%	31.9%
Grover Beach	8%	32%*
Morro Bay	12%	19.6%
Nipomo CSD	28%	34.1%
Paso Robles	28%	34.7%
Pismo Beach	24%	25.5%
San Luis Obispo	12%	24.5%

* Grover Beach Public Works Director Greg Ray said he incorrectly reported the city's water production for August, leading the state to report only a 1.3 percent savings, but the city has submitted a correction.

SOURCE: State Water Resources Control Board

Eight water suppliers in San Luis Obispo County were included among those surveyed by the State Water Resources Control Board. The most recent survey compared water use in August 2015 with August 2013.

Water agencies with fewer than 3,000 connections, such as suppliers in Los Osos and other unincorporated communities, were not surveyed, but must reduce

water use by 25 percent.

All San Luis Obispo County communities surveyed by state water regulators

exceeded their conservation goals for August — though none of the local water suppliers saved as much water as they did in July.

Statewide, Californians reduced their water use by 26.9 percent in August, exceeding Gov. Jerry Brown's 25 percent conservation mandate for the third straight month, the State Water Resources Control Board announced Thursday.

But the statewide conservation rate for August fell from July's record of 31.4 percent water savings.

A rare summer storm that hit San Luis Obispo County in July may have contributed to the lower water use numbers locally for that month, officials said, as it gave people a chance to cut back on outdoor irrigation.

"Even a tiny bit of rain, any little thing like that will completely change the numbers because we're all running on very low water usage," Grover Beach Public Works Director Greg Ray said.

Water use traditionally drops in the fall and winter, so overall savings will likely become more incremental.

"With continued heat, the danger of more wildfires and no way of knowing when the drought will end, every drop of water that remains in our local reservoirs and aquifers is insurance in case of another dry year or more," said Felicia Marcus, chair of the state water board.

The state's water conservation regulation requires urban water suppliers to save a targeted amount of water based on their usage levels and to provide monthly water use reports to the state.

In August, 406 water suppliers statewide submitted reports, including eight in San Luis Obispo County. The Cambria Community Services District did not turn in its numbers by the state deadline.

Of the 406 water suppliers, 291 suppliers — or 72 percent — met or were within 1 percentage point of their conservation standard. Six suppliers missed the target by more than 15 percent, according to state regulators.

Statewide, the average residential water use for August was 102 gallons per person per day, up slightly from July's average of 98 gallons.

In San Luis Obispo County, average residential water use varied from 56.9 gallons

per person per day in San Luis Obispo to 126.1 gallons per person per day in the Nipomo Community Services District.

Max Gomberg, a senior climate scientist for the state water board, warned that Californians can't be distracted by forecasts of a coming El Niño weather pattern.

Gomberg said climate change — signaled by warmer temperatures, a low snowpack and intense wildfires — has made water conservation an ongoing effort.

"Climate change is not something that's happening in the future," Gomberg said. "California is already dealing with the impacts."

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

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'Because I can,' Nipomo GM says as he resigns

September 22, 2015



Michael LeBrun

Nipomo Community Services District General Manager Michael LeBrun has announced he is resigning, a CSD press release states.

LeBrun plans to retire by early 2016. Separately from the press release, LeBrun sent an email to media explaining his decision.

"Why the change? Because I can," LeBrun said. "Over the past 25-plus years, my wife Susi and I have worked hard, saved and invested well, and we can now afford to work less and enjoy life more. In the past six years we have been blessed with six grandchildren who all live in our local area (six under 6!). A selfish move for sure." [Tribune]

LeBrun also said he is leaving the district in great shape, and 50 years into its existence, the CSD is as strong as ever.

As general manager, LeBrun has overseen a \$17.5 million project that pipes water from Santa Maria to Nipomo. In recent weeks, there have been complaints about the odor of the water and the additives within it.

LeBrun has dismissed allegations that the water is not safe.

LeBrun served multiple stints as district general manager and interim general manager. His time in the two position totalled nine years.

Last year, LeBrun received a \$14,000 raise. In July 2014, his base salary jumped from \$150,000 to more than \$164,000.

The district board accepted LeBrun's resignation on Sept. 9 and formed a subcommittee to oversee the recruitment of a new general manager. The district plans to hire a new general manager by early 2016.

LeBrun will assist with the recruitment process. He will also stay with the district until a new general manager is in place, according to the district press release.

"LeBrun's announcement was long-planned and his retirement is well-deserved," the news release states.

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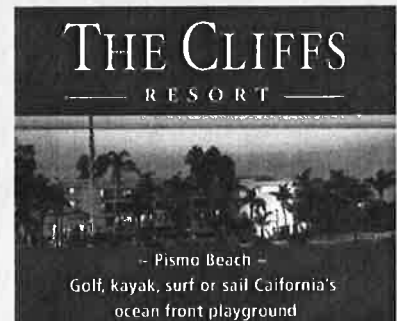
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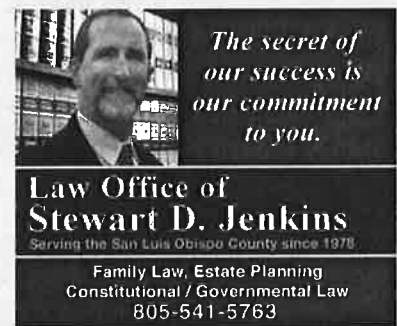


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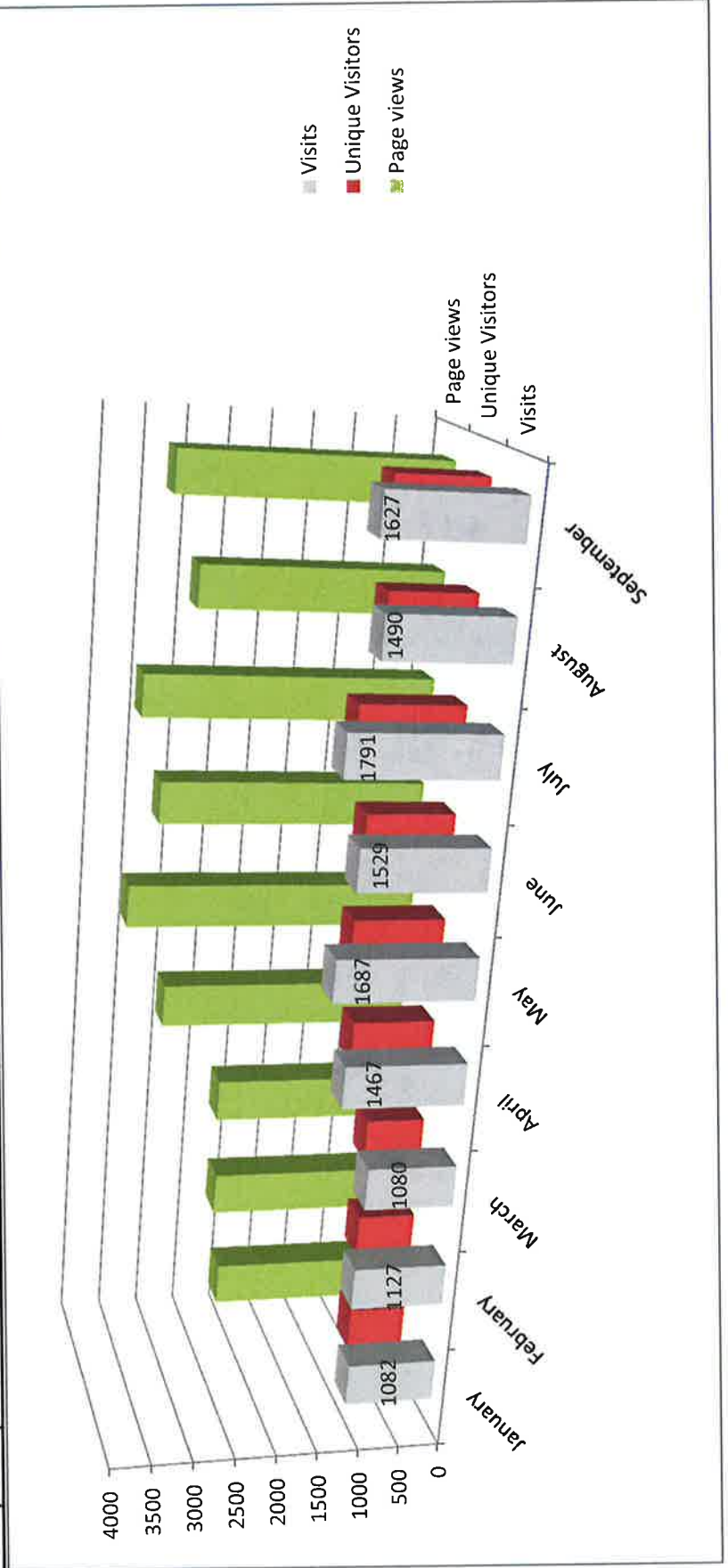
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April	1467	35.83%	1011	39.64%	3051	33.82%	2.08	-1.42%	0:01:41	4.12%	55.96%	2.96%	58.01%	6.19%
May	1687	15.00%	1126	11.37%	3563	16.78%	2.11	1.44%	0:02:06	24.75%	53.11%	-5.09%	55.25%	-4.76%
June	1529	-9.37%	1085	-3.64%	3241	-9.04%	2.12	0.47%	0:02:01	-3.97%	56.70%	6.76%	57.36%	3.82%
July	1791	17.14%	1299	19.72%	3520	8.61%	1.97	-7.08%	0:01:37	-19.83%	51.20%	-9.70%	52.20%	-9.00%
August	1490	-16.81%	1076	-17.17%	2935	-16.62%	1.97	0.00%	0:01:48	11.34%	54.56%	6.56%	59.66%	14.29%
September	1627	9.19%	1129	4.93%	3280	11.75%	2.02	2.54%	0:01:58	9.26%	55.75%	2.18%	57.22%	-4.09%
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Week	New Followers	Re-tweets (shared)	Mentions/ Favorites (comments)	Link Visits (visits to links)	Content Views (Impressions)	Most Popular Post
6/19/15 - 7/16/15 (28 days)	10	1	5	24	2,600	Two opportunities tomorrow to hear more about the arrival of supplemental water and our drought response. #Nipomo pic.twitter.com/N57zwMtzXw (277 views)
7/17/15 - 8/6/15 (21 days)	7	6	11	12	2,100	Thx @bradpomerance for hosting #Nipomo CSD GM Michael LeBrun on #CharterLocalEdition #watermanagement during #drought http://ow.ly/PUFhb (338 views)
8/7/15 - 9/3/15 (28 days)	9	10	6	15	2,300	The State has just announced \$30 Million in rebates for #turfreplacement and toilets! Apply for your rebate here: http://ow.ly/QSaIE (245 views)
9/4/15 - 9/24/15 (21 days)	6	6	12	11	2,000	The heat didn't keep NCSD from celebrating #Nipomo's historic Supplemental Water Project with a Ribbon Cutting today pic.twitter.com/7dC4sqagHg (260 views) Thank you @bradpomerance for having Director Eby on #CharterLocalEdition recently! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=re-EINdtDno&feature=youtu.be ... (242 views)
9/25/15 - 10/8/15 (14 days)	7	2	2	2	1,200	#Nipomo CSD Director of Engineering & Operations Receives Prestigious Award http://www.ncsd.ca.gov @ASCETweets #ASCE pic.twitter.com/rmeOOoltpU (178 views)

2015 Facebook Summary

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

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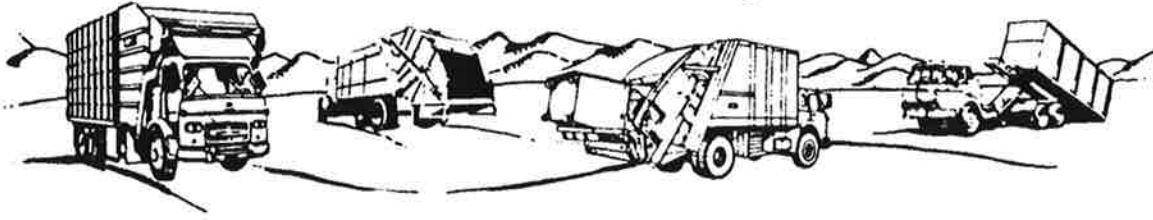
Week	New Users	Comment Likes	Comment Shares	User Posts	*Content Views	Most Popular Post
9/4/15 - 9/24/15 (21 days)	0	20	0	1	662	The heat did not keep the District from celebrating the completion of the historic #Nipomo Supplemental Water Project with a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony this morning. Thank you 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)
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October 14, 2015

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ATTACHMENT C

South County Sanitary Service



4388 Old Santa Fe Road, San Luis Obispo, CA, 93401
805-543-0875

September 17, 2015

Nipomo CSD

Subject: Nipomo CSD 2016 Contract Amendments

Dear Michael:

Waste Connections your franchisee for integrated waste management services (operating as the South County Sanitary Service in the South County area), requests the following approvals from you to be effective on January 1, 2016

1. Approval to begin an expanded organics diversion program that includes food waste.
2. Approval to extend the term of the existing franchise agreements in order to support the expanded organics program

Expanded Organics Diversion Program

The State of California has passed new mandates on organics processing.

- In 2014 AB 1826 and AB 1594 were enacted. AB 1826 established a mandatory organics management program which will require businesses to recycle all organics including food waste. This requirement phases in with the first deadline being April 2016 for businesses that generate 8 cubic yards or more per week of organics. AB 1594 eliminates the diversion credit for using green waste as alternative daily cover.
- Cal Recycle and the State Water Resources Control Board are developing new more stringent compost regulations.
- The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change now estimates that the greenhouse gas potential of methane is 34 times greater than CO₂.
- Governor Brown on April 29, 2015 set the goal of reducing greenhouse gas to 40% below 1990 levels by 2030.
- The Air Resources Board in a concept paper issued on May 7, 2015 set an initial goal of diverting 75 percent of organics from landfills by 2020 and diverting 90 percent of organics from landfills by 2025.

At the May 13, 2015 San Luis Obispo County Integrated Waste Management Authority Board Meeting, Waste Connections presented our plan for the long term management of all organic waste, including food waste. The plan incorporates the entire Waste Connections service area from San Simeon to Nipomo. The plan has two phases, an interim phase to about mid-2017 and a permanent phase that extends 20 years from the completion of the interim phase.

Beginning in January 2016, South County Sanitary Service would expand the existing residential green waste collection program to include food waste. Each home would be provided with a small kitchen pail to collect food waste. The food waste in the pail would then be dumped into the existing green waste collection container.

At the same time, we would start expanding the organics collection program to commercial customers. First priority would be to start with businesses that are required to divert organics by April 2016.

The organic waste collected from residential and commercial customers would be taken to the Engel and Gray composting facility in Santa Maria. This composting facility is permitted to compost both yard waste and food waste.

Phase II is planned to begin in about mid-2017. Our long-term management solution for organics includes an anaerobic digestion plant that will produce renewable energy. Anaerobic digestion is different than composting in that the process of decomposition occurs in an oxygen free environment. Unlike composting, this process produces energy in the form of biogas and minimizes the need for water. In addition all activities are inside a vessel and/or building, thus minimizing odors, storm water runoff and litter. The anaerobic digestion plant would be designed, built and operated by HZI/Kompogas (a world-wide leader in this technology), under contract to Waste Connections.

The Kompogas facility will be located at Waste Connection's existing yard on Old Santa Fe Road in San Luis Obispo. This industrial site is ideally located in that it is in the center of the service area, is the location where the garbage trucks start and end each day and has an existing building that can be used for the organics receiving area.

Extend the term of the Franchise Agreements

To implement the permanent phase of the organics management program, Waste Connections will enter into a long-term agreement with HZI, where HZI would design, finance, build, own and operate a Kompogas plant for a fixed fee, subject only to cost of living increases and adjustments for the sale price of electricity and/or compost/compost tea. In return Waste Connections will guarantee to deliver organics from its entire San Luis Obispo County service area for a 20 year period. This guarantee is necessary for HZI to obtain the financing to build a \$12 million plus plant. Thus the existing franchise agreement needs to be extended to cover the 20 year operating period of the Kompogas plant. The franchise extension is conditioned on a Kompogas plant being built. Similarly, commitments would be needed from all the other cities in Waste Connection's service area. If the plant is not built, then the franchise agreements would not be extended and the Interim Phase of transporting organic waste to Santa Maria for processing would continue past mid-2017.

In order to fulfill that promise to supply the organics, South County Sanitary Service is asking for an extension of its franchise agreement with our South County customers to parallel the term of Waste Connections agreement with HZI. The franchise extension is clearly needed to supply the residential and commercial organics throughout the term of the HZI agreement. Collecting commercial organics will require new trucks and containers to handle this very hard to handle waste. In addition, it is possible that new organic fractions in the solid waste stream could be added to the definition of organics by future legislation; therefore extension of solid waste franchise is necessary.

Solid Waste Rate Increase (Nipomo has picked this increase up through franchise fees) Just an FYI

The proposed 3.25% increase in rates during this period breaks out as follows:

1. 1.34% of the proposed rate increase is based on increased costs for fuel, vehicles and increased labor costs.
2. 1.10% of the proposed rate increase is based on implementing the expanded organics diversion program developed to meet State mandates beginning in 2016.
3. 0.81% of the proposed rate increase is a pass through of a landfill disposal rate increase.

South County Customers
September 17, 2015

3-year rate application cycle

In addition to the 2016 Base Year Solid Waste Rate increase, commencing on January 1, 2017 and January 1 2018, all the rates shall be increased based on the following:

1. Increase, if any, in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Bureau of Labor Statistics' Consumer Price Index for Urban Consumers based on the All U.S. City Average, Bureau of Labor Statistics for the month of June 2016 for January 1, 2017 and June 2017 for January 1, 2018.
2. Increase of 0.79% for 2017 and 0.77% for 2018 for increase in the cost of landfill disposal.
3. Increase, if any, in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Bureau of Labor Statistics' Consumer Price Index for Urban Consumers based on the All U.S. City Average, Bureau of Labor Statistics for increase in AB939 fee cost.

Sincerely,

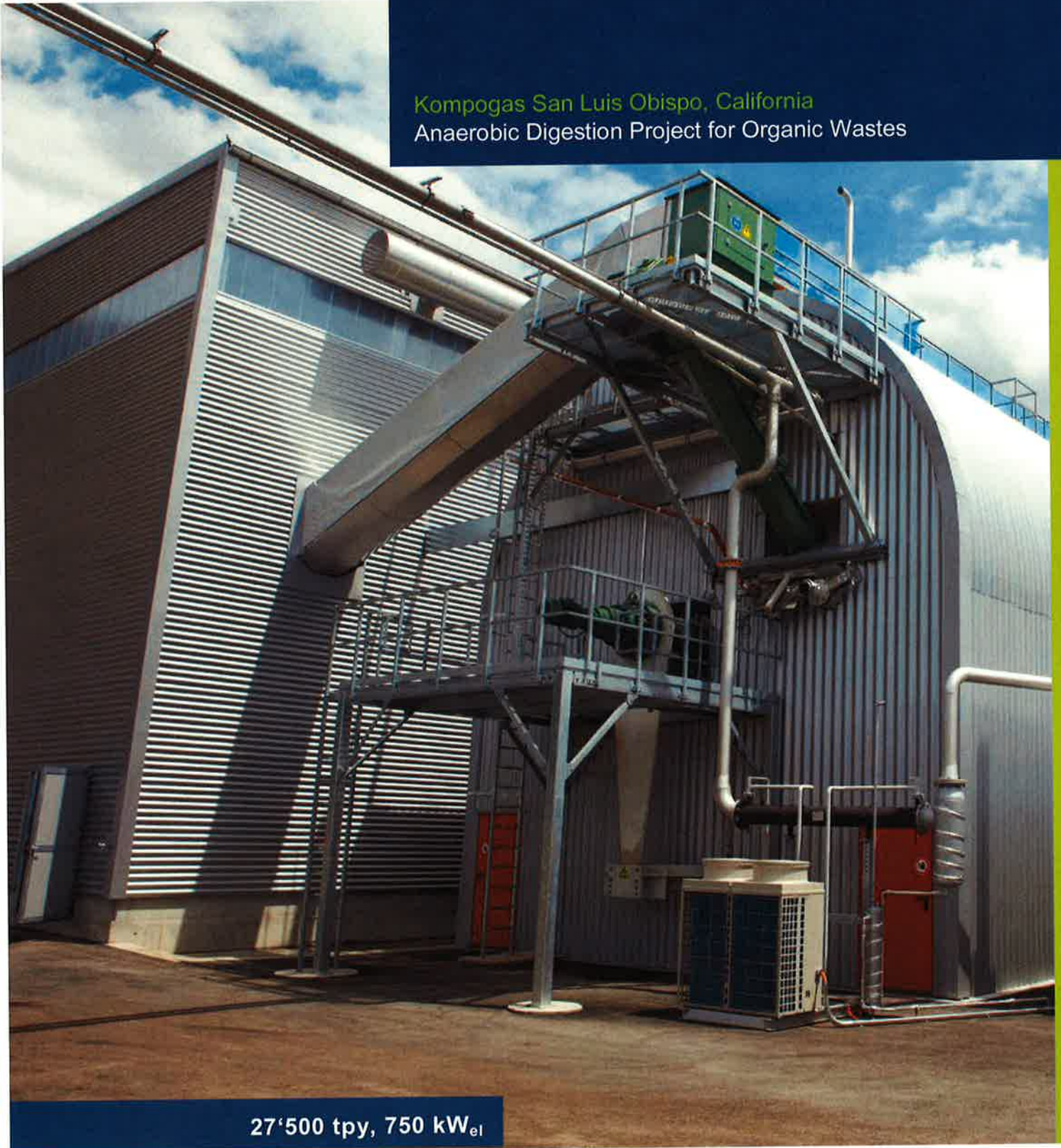
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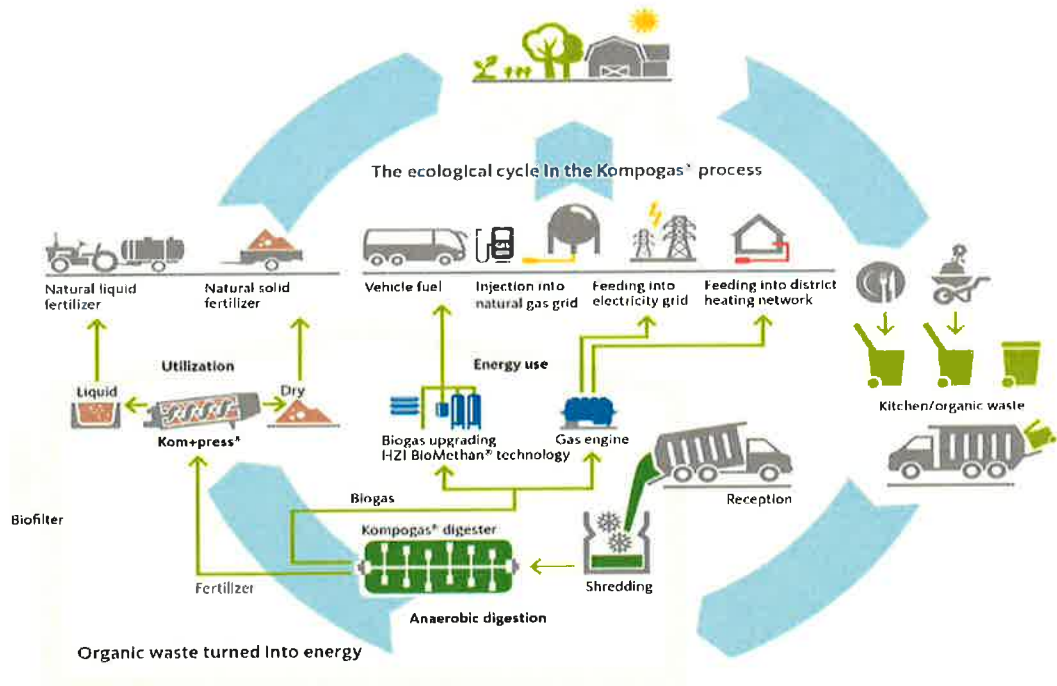
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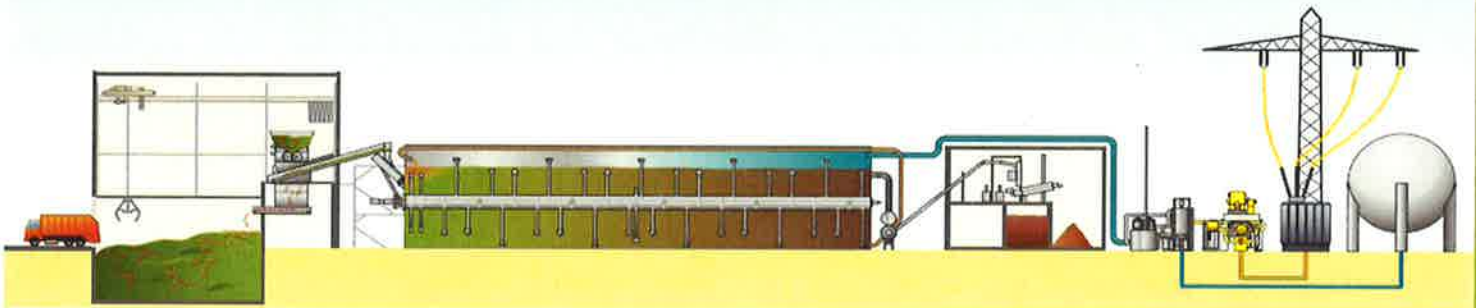
| San Luis Obispo, CA, Organic Wastes.

Within the cities of San Luis Obispo, Morro Bay, Arroyo Grande, Pismo Beach and Grover Beach and the surrounding unincorporated area of San Luis Obispo County, Waste Connections collects residential yard waste and manages oversize and commercial yard debris at its Cold Canyon resource recovery park. The yard waste is either composted or used as alternative daily cover at Cold Canyon Landfill. Food waste, which is estimated to be 10 to 20% of the waste going to the landfill, is currently not collected for composting. To meet California's waste diversion target of 75% diversion by 2020, to comply with the new mandatory organics recycling law and to generate renewable energy, a new sustainable and affordable solution is needed. That solution is an Anaerobic Digestion (AD) facility built at

Waste Connections' centrally located collection truck parking and maintenance yard in San Luis Obispo.

| Anaerobic Digestion of Yard and Food Wastes.

Anaerobic Digestion is simply the controlled decomposition of organic material in an oxygen-free environment. While an AD plant and conventional composting plants both produce compost that can be used by the agricultural industry, an AD plant has several key advantages. AD plants produce instead of consume energy, minimize the need for water during the composting process and operate indoors to eliminate odors, storm water runoff and litter.



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Kompogas is a world leader when it comes to anaerobic digestion technology. The first Kompogas plant was built in 1991. There are now 75 Kompogas AD plants operating in 10 different countries, some of them for more than 20 years. All of these plants convert organic materials into compost while at the same time generating renewable energy. In addition, the plants are demonstrated to be good neighbors in that the AD process occurs within an enclosed facility.

In the planned Kompogas SLO plant, Waste Connections's collection trucks would back in through roll-up doors and drop organic waste in the receiving area. A bucket loader would feed the organics into the pretreatment system consisting of a shredder, magnet and screen. After pretreatment, the organics would go into the intermediate storage bunker. The digester would be fed continuously (24/7) by a fully automated crane system. The organic waste would be anaerobically digested for

about 14 days in the plug-flow digester at 132 F, which assures full sanitation of the products. Biogas would be continuously generated, cleaned and fed to a cogeneration unit which would produce electricity and heat. About 80% of the electricity produced would be sold to PG&E as renewable energy. The remaining 20% of the electricity and the waste heat from the generator would be used to operate the AD plant and heat the digester and building. The digested organics, known as digestate, would be extracted from time to time and fed to the sieve screw press where liquid and solid digestate are separated. The liquid digestate would be further treated to reduce solids content, and then sold as liquid fertilizer. Only minor amounts of fresh water are needed in the process. Solid digestate would be refined in a finishing stage and sold to the agricultural industry as compost and soil enhancer. Since the process occurs in a fully enclosed reactor and the exhaust air from buildings is cleaned in a biofilter, no odor emissions would occur.

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General project data	Sponsor, site	Waste Connections
	Location	San Luis Obispo
	Start-up	2017 (planned)
	Objective	Increased waste diversion from landfill, Compliance with organics recycling law, Renewable energy production
	Owner - Operator	Hitachi Zosen Inova U.S.A. LLC
AD plant data	Annual Capacity	Up to 27,500 tons per year
	Feedstock	Source segregated organic wastes from residential yard/food waste collection and from commercial food waste collection
	Digester type	1 x Kompogas PF1500
Plant products	Electricity	Up to 5.3 Million kWh per year (to PG&E)
	Compost	Up to 14,000 tons per year
	Liquid fertilizer	Up to 1.6 million gallons per year

October 14, 2015

ITEM F

ATTACHMENT D



SAN LUIS OBISPO LAFCO

Local Agency Formation Commission

Meeting Agenda

October 15, 2015 9:00 a.m.

Board of Supervisors Chambers

MISSION STATEMENT

The Local Agency Formation Commission is committed to serving the residents of San Luis Obispo County and the State of California by discouraging urban sprawl and encouraging the orderly formation and development of local agencies based on local conditions and circumstances.

COMMISSIONERS

Tom Murray, Chair, Public
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Muril Clift, Special District
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David Brooks, Public
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Meeting Location

Board of Supervisors Chambers
County Government Center
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MEETING AGENDA

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order/Roll Call

Presentation: to Muril Clift for his five years' service as a LAFCO Commissioner

Approval of the Minutes: September 17, 2015

Non-Agenda Public Comment Period

This is the period in which persons may speak on items that are not on the regular agenda. All persons wishing to speak on agenda items or during this non-agenda public comment portion of the meeting are asked to fill out a "request to speak form" and provide it to the Commission Clerk prior to the beginning of that item. Each speaker will be limited to a three-minute presentation. During public hearings, applicants or their representatives will be given the opportunity to speak first after the staff report is given and questions of the Commission have been addressed.

Consent Agenda

A-1 Year-end Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-15 (Recommend Receive and File with the County Auditor)

- A-2** Submittal of First Quarter Budget Status Report for Fiscal Year 2015-16 (Recommend Receive and File with the County Auditor)

Regular Matters

- B-1** Sphere of Influence/ Municipal Services Review and Environmental Determination for Community Services Districts that Maintain Roads (Recommend Approval)

Informational Matters

- C-1** Status Report: Current and Upcoming Proposals (Recommend Receive and File)

Commissioner Comments:

Legal Counsel Comments:

Executive Officer Comments:

Adjournment: