



Cabazon Water District
14-618 Broadway Street • P.O. Box 297
Cabazon, California 92230

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING

AGENDA

Meeting Location:

Cabazon Water District Office
14-618 Broadway Street
Cabazon, California 92230

Meeting Date:

April 13, 2015 – 3:45 PM

CALL TO ORDER,
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE,
ROLL CALL
PUBLIC COMMENT

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FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE

1. Discussion: Finance & Audit Committee Report
 - Balance Sheet
 - Profit and Loss Two Month
 - Profit and Loss Budget Comparison

ADJOURNMENT

ADA Compliance Issues

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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Cabazon, California 92230

Meeting Date:
April 13, 2015 – 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REMEMBRANCE OF OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

ROLL CALL

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CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters in this category are considered to be consistent with the Board/District goals, District Policies and Regulations adopted and/or approved by the Board of Directors, and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is required, items may be removed from the consent calendar and will be considered separately.

1. Approval of:

- a. Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Minutes and warrants approved by the committee of March 16, 2015, regarding February 2015 Financials
- b. Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 16, 2015

2. Warrants – None

3. Awards of Contracts – None

UPDATES

Update: **San Geronio Pass Water Taskforce Update
(by General Manager Louie)**

- Update on Sub-Committees
- Supervisors San Geronio Pass Water Summit, May 14, 2015 at Morongo Resort & Spa. Cabazon, CA.
- Recycle Water Workshop April 16, 2015 at Eastern Municipal Water District
- www.passwateralliance.org or www.passwateralliance.com – San Geronio Pass Regional Water Resource Alliance
- www.iEfficient.com – Consortium of Inland Empire Water District

Update: **Manager's Operations Report
(by General Manager Louie)**

- **Press conference** – Riverside County Now 10th Most Populated In USA – Supervisor Marion Ashley, 5th District – Supervisor John J. Benoit, 4th District, and Chuck Washington, 3rd District – held at Cabazon Library, Cabazon, CA on March 26, 2015
- **Nestle Waters – Arrowhead Bottling Plant, Cabazon, Calif.**
 - Water Conservation Event in Cabazon
 - Nestle statement regarding California's drought conditions – from David Thorpe, Regional Director, Western Region
- **Collection Activities**
- **Calls for Service**
- **Current Emergency Response and Repair Crew Contracts – Rates; In response to Director Tobias's inquiry during the March 16, 2015 Regular Board Meeting.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING CLOSED SESSION

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CLOSED SESSION

Complaint against Director Teresa Bui

- Improper Conduct – filed by Cabazon Resident
 - Dishonesty – filed by Calvin Louie, General Manager
1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

(Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2) (2 cases))

OPEN SESSION

Report to Public of Action Taken in Closed Session (if any)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion/Action: Customer Concern: Edward Alan Szykowski, Dolores St. Acct. No. 4-4019 SZYN
 - Approve General Manager's recommendation to the Board on customer's request.
2. Discussion/Action: Consideration of Bids / Selection of Emergency Response & Water Pipeline Maintenance Contractor (by the Board)
3. Discussion/Action: Agenda reorganization of Public Comment: request moving "public comments" from the beginning of Regular Board Meetings to be heard after Consent Calendar and Agenda Items (by Director Sanderson and Director Mejia)
4. Discussion/Action: Board to Approve to Facilitate Convening Meetings – Maximum of 3 to 5 meetings, no more than 2 hours each.

To maximize business and organizational performance by strengthening working relationships.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion/Action: Customer Concern: Nicholas Christiansen, Mission St.

Acct. No. 3-3067NC (3rd Time on the Agenda)

BOARD/GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

1. Future Agenda Items

The Board Chair or the majority of the Board may direct staff to investigate and report back to an individual(s) and the Board on matters suggested or direct the General Manager/Board Secretary to place the matter on a future Board meeting.

- Suggested agenda items from the Public.
- Suggested agenda items from Board Members.
- Suggested agenda items from Management.

2. Board Member Comments

Board members may speak on items of information not requiring comment or discussion to the Board and public. (3 minutes)

3. Management Comments

Staff members may speak on items of information not requiring comment or discussion to the Board and public. Topics which may be included on a future meeting agenda may be presented but cannot be discussed. (3 minutes)

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Future Board Items/Next Board Meeting Date(s)

- Finance & Audit Workshop – May 18, 2015, 3:45 pm
- Regular Board Meeting – May 18, 2015, 6:00 pm
- Personnel Committee – None
- San Gorgonio Water Task Force – Technical Committee – Banning City Hall
April 29, 2015 – 4:30 PM
- San Gorgonio Water Task Force – General Meeting – Banning City Hall – April 29, 2015 –
6:00 PM

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April 14, 2015 Groundwater Legislation Overview Special Meeting Agenda

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New Groundwater Legislation Overview Meeting

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Meeting Location:

Cabazon Water District Office
 14-618 Broadway Street
 Cabazon, California 92230

Meeting Date:

April 14, 2015 = 11:00 am

*time + date
 pending until 4/9/15
 due to unforeseen
 event*

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Old Business

1. Discussion/ Review: Sustainable Groundwater Management Legislation Overview Workshop
 (presented by Atty. Steve Anderson, Best Best & Krieger)
2. Discussion/Information: State Water Resources Control Board – Resolution 2014-0038

 Governor's Executive Order B-29-15 State of Emergency - Drought

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**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2014-0038**

**TO ADOPT AN EMERGENCY REGULATION
FOR STATEWIDE URBAN WATER CONSERVATION**

WHEREAS:

1. On April 25, 2014, Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. issued an executive order to strengthen the state's ability to manage water and habitat effectively in drought conditions and called on all Californians to redouble their efforts to conserve water. The executive order finds that the continuous severe drought conditions present urgent challenges across the state including water shortages in communities and for agricultural production, increased wildfires, degraded habitat for fish and wildlife, threat of saltwater contamination, and additional water scarcity if drought conditions continue into 2015. The National Integrated Drought Information System reported that nearly 80% of the state was reported to be under "extreme" drought conditions at the end of June;
2. The executive order refers to the Governor's Proclamation No. 1-17-2014, issued on January 17, 2014, declaring a State of Emergency to exist in California due to severe drought conditions. The January Proclamation notes that the state is experiencing record dry conditions, with 2014 projected to become the driest year on record. Since January, state water officials indicate that reservoirs, rainfall totals and the snowpack remain critically low. This follows two other dry or below average years, leaving reservoir storage at alarmingly low levels. The January Proclamation highlights the State's dry conditions, lack of precipitation and the resulting effects on drinking water supplies, the cultivation of crops, and the survival of animals and plants that rely on California's rivers and streams. The January Proclamation also calls on all Californians to reduce their water usage by 20 percent;
3. There is no guarantee that winter precipitation will alleviate the drought conditions that the executive orders address, which will lead to even more severe impacts across the state if the drought wears on;
4. Water Code section 1058.5 grants the State Water Board the authority to adopt emergency regulations in certain drought years in order to: "prevent the waste, unreasonable use, unreasonable method of use, or unreasonable method of diversion, of water, to promote water recycling or water conservation, to require curtailment of diversions when water is not available under the diverter's priority of right, or in furtherance of any of the foregoing, to require reporting of diversion or use or the preparation of monitoring reports";
5. Over 400,000 acres of farmland are expected to be fallowed, thousands of people may be out of work, communities risk running out of drinking water, and fish and wildlife will suffer.

6. Many Californians have taken bold steps over the years and in this year to reduce water use; nevertheless, the dire nature of the current drought requires additional conservation actions from residents and businesses. Some severely affected communities have implemented water rationing, limiting water use in some cases to only 50 gallons per person per day, foregoing showers, laundry, toilet flushing, and all outdoor watering.
7. Water conservation is the easiest, most efficient and most cost effective way to quickly reduce water demand and extend supplies into the next year, providing flexibility for all California communities. Water saved this summer is water available next year, giving water suppliers the flexibility to manage their systems efficiently. The more water that is conserved now, the less likely it is that a community will experience such dire circumstances that water rationing is required ;
8. Most Californians use more water outdoors than indoors. In many areas, 50 percent or more of daily water use is for lawns and outdoor landscaping. Outdoor water use is generally discretionary, and many irrigated landscapes would not suffer greatly from receiving a decreased amount of water;
9. Public information and awareness is critical to achieving conservation goals and the Save Our Water campaign, run jointly by the Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the Association of California Water Agencies, is an excellent resource for conservation information and messaging that is integral to effective drought response (<http://saveourwater.com>).
10. Enforcement against water waste is a key tool in conservation programs. When conservation becomes a social norm in a community, the need for enforcement is reduced or eliminated;
11. The emergency regulations set a minimum standard requiring only modest lifestyle changes across the state. Many communities are already doing more and have been for years. They should be commended, but can and should do more. Others are not yet doing so and should at least do this, but should do much more given the severity of the drought;
12. On July 8, 2014, the State Water Board issued public notice that the State Water Board would consider the adoption of the regulation at the Board's regularly-scheduled July 15, 2014 public meeting, in accordance with applicable State laws and regulations. The State Water Board also distributed for public review and comment a Finding of Emergency that complies with State laws and regulations;
13. On April 25, 2014, the Governor suspended the California Environmental Quality Act's application to the State Water Board's adoption of emergency regulations pursuant to Water Code section 1058.5 to prevent the waste, unreasonable use, unreasonable method of use, or unreasonable method of diversion of water, to promote water recycling or water conservation;
14. As discussed above, the State Water Board is adopting the emergency regulation because of emergency drought conditions, the need for prompt action, and current limitations in the existing enforcement process;

15. Disadvantaged communities may require assistance in increasing water conservation and state agencies should look for opportunities to provide assistance in promoting water conservation;
16. Nothing in the regulations or in the enforcement provisions of the regulations, preclude a local agency from exercising its authority to adopt more stringent conservation measures. Moreover, the Water Code does not impose a mandatory penalty for violations of the regulations adopted by this resolution and local agencies retain their enforcement discretion in enforcing the regulations, to the extent authorized, and may develop their own progressive enforcement practices to encourage conservation.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The State Water Board adopts California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 863, 864, and 865, as appended to this resolution as an emergency regulation;
2. The State Water Board staff will submit the regulation to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) for final approval;
3. If, during the approval process, State Water Board staff, the State Water Board, or OAL determines that minor corrections to the language of the regulation or supporting documentation are needed for clarity or consistency, the State Water Board Executive Director or designee may make such changes;
4. These regulations shall remain in effect for 270 days after filing with the Secretary of State unless the State Water Board determines that it is no longer necessary due to changed conditions, or unless the State Water Board renews the regulations due to continued drought conditions as described in Water Code section 1058.5;
5. The State Water Board directs staff to provide the Board with monthly updates on the implementation of the emergency regulations and their effect;
6. Directs State Water Board staff to condition funding upon compliance with the emergency regulations, to the extent feasible;
7. Directs State Water Board staff to work with the Department of Water Resources and the Save Our Water campaign to disseminate information regarding the emergency regulations; and
8. Directs State Water Board staff in developing an electronic reporting portal to include data fields so that local agencies may provide monthly reporting data on (i) conservation-related implementation measures or enforcement actions taken by the local agency and (ii) substitution during the drought of potable water with recycled water to extend water supplies.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

9. The State Water Board commends water suppliers that have increased conservation messaging and adopted innovative strategies to enhance customer awareness of water use, such as applications that let customers compare their water use to water use by others; reduce system losses, such as fixing system leaks which can deplete supplies by 10 percent or more; and establish incentives to reduce demand, such as tiered or drought rate structures. The State Water Board also commends all Californians that have already been working to maximize their conservation efforts, both at home and at work;
10. The State Water Board calls upon water suppliers to take the following actions:

Educate customers and employees

- Retail water suppliers should provide notice of the regulations in English and Spanish in one or more of the following ways: newspaper advertisements, bill inserts, website homepage, social media, notices in public libraries;
- Wholesale suppliers should include reference to the regulations in their customer communications;
- All water suppliers should train personnel on the regulations;
- All water suppliers should provide signage where recycled or reclaimed water is being used for activities that the emergency regulations prohibit with the use of potable water, such as operation of fountains and other water features;
- All water suppliers should redouble their efforts to disseminate information regarding opportunities and incentives to upgrade indoor fixtures and appliances;
- All water suppliers should use education and the tools available through the Save Our Water website (<http://saveourwater.com>); and
- All water suppliers should educate and prepare their boards and councils on the drought response actions contained in the emergency regulations and in this resolution, and to make sure that drought response items are placed on agendas as early as possible;

Increasing local supplies

- All water suppliers should accelerate the completion of projects that will conserve potable water by making use of non-potable supplies, such as recycled water, "greywater," and stormwater collection projects;
- All water suppliers should improve their leak reporting and response programs and request that police and fire departments and other local government personnel report leaks and water waste that they encounter during their routine duties/patrols;
- Smaller water suppliers – those with fewer than 3,000 service connections – should take proactive steps to secure their communities' water supplies and educate their customers about water conservation and the status of their supply reserves;
- All water suppliers should conduct water loss audits and make leak detection and repair a top priority for the duration of the drought; and
- All urban water suppliers should evaluate their rate structures and begin to implement needed changes as part of planning for another dry year. Information and assistance on setting and implementing drought rates is available from the Alliance for Water Efficiency. (<http://www.allianceforwaterefficiency.org/>).

11. The State Water Board calls on all Californians to take the following additional actions:
 - Further reduce water demand, whether by using less water in daily routines indoors and out, retrofitting appliances and installing greywater and rainwater catchment systems; and
 - Check residential and business water bills to see if there are high charges that may indicate a leak and to fix the leak, if they are able, or contact their local water utility if they need assistance.
12. The State Water Board encourages its staff, the Department of Water Resources, the Public Utilities Commission, urban water suppliers, and other local agencies to look for opportunities to encourage and promote new technologies that reduce water usage, including through timely access to water usage information and behavioral response.
13. The State Water Board encourages all state and local agencies to look for additional opportunities to minimize potable water use in outdoor spaces.
14. The State Water Board encourages investor-owned utilities to expeditiously submit applications for implementation of the regulations to the California Public Utilities Commission.

CERTIFICATION


The undersigned Clerk to the Board does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on July 15, 2014.

AYE: Chair Felicia Marcus
Vice Chair Frances Spivy-Weber
Board Member Steven Moore
Board Member Dorene D'Adamo

NAY: None

ABSENT: Board Member Tam M. Doduc

ABSTAIN: None



Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board

PROPOSED TEXT OF EMERGENCY REGULATIONS

Article 22.5. Drought Emergency Water Conservation

Sec. 863 Findings of Drought Emergency

(a) The State Water Resources Control Board finds as follows:

(1) On January 17, 2014, the Governor issued a proclamation of a state of emergency under the California Emergency Services Act based on drought conditions;

(2) On April 25, 2014, the Governor issued a proclamation of a continued state of emergency under the California Emergency Services Act based on continued drought conditions;

(3) The drought conditions that formed the basis of the Governor's emergency proclamations continue to exist;

(4) The present year is critically dry and has been immediately preceded by two or more consecutive below normal, dry, or critically dry years; and

(5) The drought conditions will likely continue for the foreseeable future and additional action by both the State Water Resources Control Board and local water suppliers will likely be necessary to further promote conservation.

Authority: Wat. Code, § 1058.5.

References: Wat. Code, §§ 102, 104, 105.

Sec. 864 Prohibited Activities in Promotion of Water Conservation

(a) To promote water conservation, each of the following actions is prohibited, except where necessary to address an immediate health and safety need or to comply with a term or condition in a permit issued by a state or federal agency:

(1) The application of potable water to outdoor landscapes in a manner that causes runoff such that water flows onto adjacent property, non-irrigated areas, private and public walkways, roadways, parking lots, or structures;

(2) The use of a hose that dispenses potable water to wash a motor vehicle, except where the hose is fitted with a shut-off nozzle or device attached to it that causes it to cease dispensing water immediately when not in use;

(3) The application of potable water to driveways and sidewalks; and

(4) The use of potable water in a fountain or other decorative water feature, except where the water is part of a recirculating system.

(b) The taking of any action prohibited in subdivision (a) of this section, in addition to any other applicable civil or criminal penalties, is an infraction, punishable by a fine of up to five hundred dollars (\$500) for each day in which the violation occurs.

Authority: Wat. Code, § 1058.5.

References: Wat. Code, §§ 102, 104, 105.

PROPOSED TEXT OF EMERGENCY REGULATIONS

Sec. 865 Mandatory Actions by Water Suppliers

(a) The term "urban water supplier," when used in this section, refers to a supplier that meets the definition set forth in Water Code section 10617, except it does not refer to suppliers when they are functioning solely in a wholesale capacity, but does apply to suppliers when they are functioning in a retail capacity.

(b)(1) To promote water conservation, each urban water supplier shall implement all requirements and actions of the stage of its water shortage contingency plan that imposes mandatory restrictions on outdoor irrigation of ornamental landscapes or turf with potable water.

(2) As an alternative to subdivision (b)(1), an urban water supplier may submit a request to the Executive Director for approval of an alternate plan that includes allocation-based rate structures that satisfies the requirements of chapter 3.4 (commencing with section 370) of division 1 of the Water Code, and the Executive Director may approve such an alternate plan upon determining that the rate structure, in conjunction with other measures, achieves a level of conservation that would be superior to that achieved by implementing limitations on outdoor irrigation of ornamental landscapes or turf with potable water by the persons it serves to no more than two days per week.

(c) To promote water conservation, each urban water supplier that does not have a water shortage contingency plan or has been notified by the Department of Water Resources that its water shortage contingency plan does not meet the requirements of Water Code section 10632 shall, within thirty (30) days, limit outdoor irrigation of ornamental landscapes or turf with potable water by the persons it serves to no more than two days per week or shall implement another mandatory conservation measure or measures intended to achieve a comparable reduction in water consumption by the persons it serves relative to the amount consumed in 2013.

(d) In furtherance of the promotion of water conservation each urban water supplier shall prepare and submit to the State Water Resources Control Board by the 15th of each month a monitoring report on forms provided by the Board. The monitoring report shall include the amount of potable water the urban water supplier produced, including water provided by a wholesaler, in the preceding calendar month and shall compare that amount to the amount produced in the same calendar month in 2013. Beginning October 15, 2014, the monitoring report shall also estimate the gallons of water per person per day used by the residential customers it serves. In its initial monitoring report, each urban water supplier shall state the number of persons it serves.

(e) To promote water conservation, each distributor of a public water supply, as defined in Water Code section 350, that is not an urban water supplier shall, within thirty (30) days, take one or more of the following actions:

(1) Limit outdoor irrigation of ornamental landscapes or turf with potable water by the persons it serves to no more than two days per week; or

(2) Implement another mandatory conservation measure or measures intended to achieve a comparable reduction in water consumption by the persons it serves relative to the amount consumed in 2013.

Authority: Wat. Code, § 1058.5.

References: Wat. Code, §§ 102, 104, 105; 350; 10617; 10632.

Executive Department
State of California

EXECUTIVE ORDER B-29-15

WHEREAS on January 17, 2014, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist throughout the State of California due to severe drought conditions; and

WHEREAS on April 25, 2014, I proclaimed a Continued State of Emergency to exist throughout the State of California due to the ongoing drought; and

WHEREAS California's water supplies continue to be severely depleted despite a limited amount of rain and snowfall this winter, with record low snowpack in the Sierra Nevada mountains, decreased water levels in most of California's reservoirs, reduced flows in the state's rivers and shrinking supplies in underground water basins; and

WHEREAS the severe drought conditions continue to present urgent challenges including: drinking water shortages in communities across the state, diminished water for agricultural production, degraded habitat for many fish and wildlife species, increased wildfire risk, and the threat of saltwater contamination to fresh water supplies in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Bay Delta; and

WHEREAS a distinct possibility exists that the current drought will stretch into a fifth straight year in 2016 and beyond; and

WHEREAS new expedited actions are needed to reduce the harmful impacts from water shortages and other impacts of the drought; and

WHEREAS the magnitude of the severe drought conditions continues to present threats beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of any single local government and require the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to combat; and

WHEREAS under the provisions of section 8558(b) of the Government Code, I find that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property continue to exist in California due to water shortage and drought conditions with which local authority is unable to cope; and

WHEREAS under the provisions of section 8571 of the California Government Code, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay the mitigation of the effects of the drought.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDMUND G. BROWN JR., Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, in particular Government Code sections 8567 and 8571 of the California Government Code, do hereby issue this Executive Order, effective immediately.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The orders and provisions contained in my January 17, 2014 Proclamation, my April 25, 2014 Proclamation, and Executive Orders B-26-14 and B-28-14 remain in full force and effect except as modified herein.

SAVE WATER

2. The State Water Resources Control Board (Water Board) shall impose restrictions to achieve a statewide 25% reduction in potable urban water usage through February 28, 2016. These restrictions will require water suppliers to California's cities and towns to reduce usage as compared to the amount used in 2013. These restrictions should consider the relative per capita water usage of each water suppliers' service area, and require that those areas with high per capita use achieve proportionally greater reductions than those with low use. The California Public Utilities Commission is requested to take similar action with respect to investor-owned utilities providing water services.
3. The Department of Water Resources (the Department) shall lead a statewide initiative, in partnership with local agencies, to collectively replace 50 million square feet of lawns and ornamental turf with drought tolerant landscapes. The Department shall provide funding to allow for lawn replacement programs in underserved communities, which will complement local programs already underway across the state.
4. The California Energy Commission, jointly with the Department and the Water Board, shall implement a time-limited statewide appliance rebate program to provide monetary incentives for the replacement of inefficient household devices.
5. The Water Board shall impose restrictions to require that commercial, industrial, and institutional properties, such as campuses, golf courses, and cemeteries, immediately implement water efficiency measures to reduce potable water usage in an amount consistent with the reduction targets mandated by Directive 2 of this Executive Order.
6. The Water Board shall prohibit irrigation with potable water of ornamental turf on public street medians.
7. The Water Board shall prohibit irrigation with potable water outside of newly constructed homes and buildings that is not delivered by drip or microspray systems.

8. The Water Board shall direct urban water suppliers to develop rate structures and other pricing mechanisms, including but not limited to surcharges, fees, and penalties, to maximize water conservation consistent with statewide water restrictions. The Water Board is directed to adopt emergency regulations, as it deems necessary, pursuant to Water Code section 1058.5 to implement this directive. The Water Board is further directed to work with state agencies and water suppliers to identify mechanisms that would encourage and facilitate the adoption of rate structures and other pricing mechanisms that promote water conservation. The California Public Utilities Commission is requested to take similar action with respect to investor-owned utilities providing water services.

INCREASE ENFORCEMENT AGAINST WATER WASTE

9. The Water Board shall require urban water suppliers to provide monthly information on water usage, conservation, and enforcement on a permanent basis.
10. The Water Board shall require frequent reporting of water diversion and use by water right holders, conduct inspections to determine whether illegal diversions or wasteful and unreasonable use of water are occurring, and bring enforcement actions against illegal diverters and those engaging in the wasteful and unreasonable use of water. Pursuant to Government Code sections 8570 and 8627, the Water Board is granted authority to inspect property or diversion facilities to ascertain compliance with water rights laws and regulations where there is cause to believe such laws and regulations have been violated. When access is not granted by a property owner, the Water Board may obtain an inspection warrant pursuant to the procedures set forth in Title 13 (commencing with section 1822.50) of Part 3 of the Code of Civil Procedure for the purposes of conducting an inspection pursuant to this directive.
11. The Department shall update the State Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance through expedited regulation. This updated Ordinance shall increase water efficiency standards for new and existing landscapes through more efficient irrigation systems, greywater usage, onsite storm water capture, and by limiting the portion of landscapes that can be covered in turf. It will also require reporting on the implementation and enforcement of local ordinances, with required reports due by December 31, 2015. The Department shall provide information on local compliance to the Water Board, which shall consider adopting regulations or taking appropriate enforcement actions to promote compliance. The Department shall provide technical assistance and give priority in grant funding to public agencies for actions necessary to comply with local ordinances.
12. Agricultural water suppliers that supply water to more than 25,000 acres shall include in their required 2015 Agricultural Water Management Plans a detailed drought management plan that describes the actions and measures the supplier will take to manage water demand during drought. The Department shall require those plans to include quantification of water supplies and demands for 2013, 2014, and 2015 to the extent data is available. The Department will provide technical assistance to water suppliers in preparing the plans.

13. Agricultural water suppliers that supply water to 10,000 to 25,000 acres of irrigated lands shall develop Agricultural Water Management Plans and submit the plans to the Department by July 1, 2016. These plans shall include a detailed drought management plan and quantification of water supplies and demands in 2013, 2014, and 2015, to the extent that data is available. The Department shall give priority in grant funding to agricultural water suppliers that supply water to 10,000 to 25,000 acres of land for development and implementation of Agricultural Water Management Plans.
14. The Department shall report to Water Board on the status of the Agricultural Water Management Plan submittals within one month of receipt of those reports.
15. Local water agencies in high and medium priority groundwater basins shall immediately implement all requirements of the California Statewide Groundwater Elevation Monitoring Program pursuant to Water Code section 10933. The Department shall refer noncompliant local water agencies within high and medium priority groundwater basins to the Water Board by December 31, 2015, which shall consider adopting regulations or taking appropriate enforcement to promote compliance.
16. The California Energy Commission shall adopt emergency regulations establishing standards that improve the efficiency of water appliances, including toilets, urinals, and faucets available for sale and installation in new and existing buildings.

INVEST IN NEW TECHNOLOGIES

17. The California Energy Commission, jointly with the Department and the Water Board, shall implement a Water Energy Technology (WET) program to deploy innovative water management technologies for businesses, residents, industries, and agriculture. This program will achieve water and energy savings and greenhouse gas reductions by accelerating use of cutting-edge technologies such as renewable energy-powered desalination, integrated on-site reuse systems, water-use monitoring software, irrigation system timing and precision technology, and on-farm precision technology.

STREAMLINE GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

18. The Office of Emergency Services and the Department of Housing and Community Development shall work jointly with counties to provide temporary assistance for persons moving from housing units due to a lack of potable water who are served by a private well or water utility with less than 15 connections, and where all reasonable attempts to find a potable water source have been exhausted.
19. State permitting agencies shall prioritize review and approval of water infrastructure projects and programs that increase local water supplies, including water recycling facilities, reservoir improvement projects, surface water treatment plants, desalination plants, stormwater capture, and greywater systems. Agencies shall report to the Governor's Office on applications that have been pending for longer than 90 days.

20. The Department shall take actions required to plan and, if necessary, implement Emergency Drought Salinity Barriers in coordination and consultation with the Water Board and the Department of Fish and Wildlife at locations within the Sacramento - San Joaquin delta estuary. These barriers will be designed to conserve water for use later in the year to meet state and federal Endangered Species Act requirements, preserve to the extent possible water quality in the Delta, and retain water supply for essential human health and safety uses in 2015 and in the future.
21. The Water Board and the Department of Fish and Wildlife shall immediately consider any necessary regulatory approvals for the purpose of installation of the Emergency Drought Salinity Barriers.
22. The Department shall immediately consider voluntary crop idling water transfer and water exchange proposals of one year or less in duration that are initiated by local public agencies and approved in 2015 by the Department subject to the criteria set forth in Water Code section 1810.
23. The Water Board will prioritize new and amended safe drinking water permits that enhance water supply and reliability for community water systems facing water shortages or that expand service connections to include existing residences facing water shortages. As the Department of Public Health's drinking water program was transferred to the Water Board, any reference to the Department of Public Health in any prior Proclamation or Executive Order listed in Paragraph 1 is deemed to refer to the Water Board.
24. The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection shall launch a public information campaign to educate the public on actions they can take to help to prevent wildfires including the proper treatment of dead and dying trees. Pursuant to Government Code section 8645, \$1.2 million from the State Responsibility Area Fire Prevention Fund (Fund 3063) shall be allocated to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to carry out this directive.
25. The Energy Commission shall expedite the processing of all applications or petitions for amendments to power plant certifications issued by the Energy Commission for the purpose of securing alternate water supply necessary for continued power plant operation. Title 20, section 1769 of the California Code of Regulations is hereby waived for any such petition, and the Energy Commission is authorized to create and implement an alternative process to consider such petitions. This process may delegate amendment approval authority, as appropriate, to the Energy Commission Executive Director. The Energy Commission shall give timely notice to all relevant local, regional, and state agencies of any petition subject to this directive, and shall post on its website any such petition.

26. For purposes of carrying out directives 2-9, 11, 16-17, 20-23, and 25, Division 13 (commencing with section 21000) of the Public Resources Code and regulations adopted pursuant to that Division are hereby suspended. This suspension applies to any actions taken by state agencies, and for actions taken by local agencies where the state agency with primary responsibility for implementing the directive concurs that local action is required, as well as for any necessary permits or approvals required to complete these actions. This suspension, and those specified in paragraph 9 of the January 17, 2014 Proclamation, paragraph 19 of the April 25, 2014 proclamation, and paragraph 4 of Executive Order B-26-14, shall remain in effect until May 31, 2016. Drought relief actions taken pursuant to these paragraphs that are started prior to May 31, 2016, but not completed, shall not be subject to Division 13 (commencing with section 21000) of the Public Resources Code for the time required to complete them.
27. For purposes of carrying out directives 20 and 21, section 13247 and Chapter 3 of Part 3 (commencing with section 85225) of the Water Code are suspended.
28. For actions called for in this proclamation in directive 20, the Department shall exercise any authority vested in the Central Valley Flood Protection Board, as codified in Water Code section 8521, et seq., that is necessary to enable these urgent actions to be taken more quickly than otherwise possible. The Director of the Department of Water Resources is specifically authorized, on behalf of the State of California, to request that the Secretary of the Army, on the recommendation of the Chief of Engineers of the Army Corps of Engineers, grant any permission required pursuant to section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and codified in section 48 of title 33 of the United States Code.
29. The Department is directed to enter into agreements with landowners for the purposes of planning and installation of the Emergency Drought Barriers in 2015 to the extent necessary to accommodate access to barrier locations, land-side and water-side construction, and materials staging in proximity to barrier locations. Where the Department is unable to reach an agreement with landowners, the Department may exercise the full authority of Government Code section 8572.
30. For purposes of this Executive Order, chapter 3.5 (commencing with section 11340) of part 1 of division 3 of the Government Code and chapter 5 (commencing with section 25400) of division 15 of the Public Resources Code are suspended for the development and adoption of regulations or guidelines needed to carry out the provisions in this Order. Any entity issuing regulations or guidelines pursuant to this directive shall conduct a public meeting on the regulations and guidelines prior to adopting them.

31. In order to ensure that equipment and services necessary for drought response can be procured quickly, the provisions of the Government Code and the Public Contract Code applicable to state contracts, including, but not limited to, advertising and competitive bidding requirements, are hereby suspended for directives 17, 20, and 24. Approval by the Department of Finance is required prior to the execution of any contract entered into pursuant to these directives.

This Executive Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.


I FURTHER DIRECT that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given to this Order.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have
hereunto set my hand and caused the
Great Seal of the State of California to
be affixed this 1st day of April 2015.

EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
Governor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA
Secretary of State



California Department of Water Resources

Groundwater
Sustainability
Program
Draft Strategic Plan



March 9, 2015

Groundwater Sustainability Program *Strategic Plan*

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Acronyms

SGMA	Sustainable Groundwater Management Act
SGWM	Sustainable Groundwater Water Management
BMPs	Best Management Practices
CASGEM	California Statewide Groundwater Elevation Monitoring
DWR	California Department of Water Resources
SWRCB	State Water Resources Control Board
CWC	California Water Code
GSA(s)	Groundwater Sustainability Agency or Agencies
GSP(s)	Groundwater Sustainability Plan or Plans

DWR Mission

To manage the water resources of California in cooperation with other agencies, to benefit the State's people, and to protect, restore, and enhance the natural and human environments.



After decades of debate, California lawmakers adopted far-reaching new laws to bring the State's critically important groundwater basins into a sustainable regime of pumping and recharge. This change in water management – the most important in several generations – promises profound payoff. Groundwater on average makes up over a third of California's water supply, and it serves as a critically important savings account in dry years.

We have formally managed surface water supplies for a century. However, unrestrained groundwater use has been the rule except in areas where the courts have intervened. In some parts of California, groundwater has been pumped destructively at high levels for decades. California endured a third year of drought in 2014, and groundwater levels reached all time historic lows in most areas of the State.

While local leadership has had good success in a number of areas, on the whole, our collective management of groundwater resources is simply not working.

Governor Brown worked with the California Legislature and other stakeholders to craft the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). The SGMA establishes a new structure for managing California's groundwater. Developing the SGMA was not without controversy, with some interests concerned about creation of a new regulatory bureaucracy and a fear that the State would be eager to exert control over local groundwater basins. The SGMA essentially says our best chance of achieving sustainable, dependable groundwater supplies is for each basin to be managed at the local level. Local leaders will decide how best to organize and take charge through the establishment of Groundwater Sustainability Agencies. The Department of Water Resources' (DWR) primary role will be to provide guidance and technical support to local agencies. The State Water Resources Control Board will only step in on an interim basis when, but only when, local agencies fail to exercise their responsibilities set forth in the legislation. DWR recognizes that every groundwater basin is different and that solutions must be tailored by region. DWR and other State agencies are ready to provide assistance, and the water bond passed in November 2014 includes \$100 million for local and regional groundwater planning and projects.

As we consider what it will take to manage our groundwater sustainably, we need to acknowledge all water resources are interconnected. The Governor's five-year *California Water Action Plan*, released in January 2014, describes this broader view of what we need to meet the demands of the future. It spells out the challenges and the decisive actions needed now to put California on the path to more sustainable water resources: make conservation a way of life, ensure that each region does all it can to put its own water resources to efficient use, protect and restore important ecosystems, and expand water storage capacity. Sustainable groundwater management is an essential pillar of the plan.

Getting to sustainable water management will take decades, and we need to start now. This will not be easy, but many local leaders have told me they are ready to step up. We need to begin managing our groundwater so it is available for future generations while we balance the immediate needs of our economy.

Mark W. Cowin
Director
California Department of Water Resources

Navigating the Strategic Plan

Groundwater in California

Groundwater is a critical and integral component of California's overall water supply, serving residents, businesses, farms, industries, and the environment. Unlike surface water, groundwater has not been regulated on a statewide basis. Except in specific adjudicated basins, a landowner may extract an unlimited amount of groundwater if put to a reasonable and beneficial use without seeking permission to use the water. In certain parts of the state, long-term groundwater use has had serious impacts including:

- Alarming declines in groundwater levels and storage
- Degradation in water quality
- Irreversible land subsidence
- Ecosystem impacts associated with streamflow depletion and the reduced connection between groundwater and surface water systems.

The current drought has increased Californians' awareness of groundwater management issues. Approximately thirty million Californians (about 75 percent) depend on groundwater for a portion of their water supply. On average, groundwater provides about 40 percent of total annual agricultural and urban water uses. Some areas are 100 percent dependent on groundwater for their supply.

The *Groundwater Sustainability Program Strategic Plan (Strategic Plan)* describes the Department of Water Resources' roles and responsibilities under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and outlines related actions from the *California Water Action Plan (CWAP)*.

This *Strategic Plan* aims to document the California Department of Water Resources' (DWR) strategy in helping to implement groundwater sustainability; share information with those who have interests in or management responsibilities for groundwater; and describe the structure through which DWR implements specific actions in coordination with stakeholders and partners.

DWR and the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) are the two State agencies charged with helping to implement recent groundwater legislation. DWR's principal role is to provide guidance and support to local agencies across California to help them achieve a more sustainable future in water management. Several actions must be completed by specific dates set forth in the SGMA to accomplish this. This *Strategic Plan* does the following:

- Describes **current groundwater conditions** in the state, demonstrating the unsustainable nature of current management practices and framing the critical need for action
- Identifies **legislation and other drivers of policy**, including the SGMA, the *California Water Action Plan* and Proposition 1 (Water Bond)
- Identifies **success factors** in addressing the key challenges facing groundwater management in California
- Describes the **goals and objectives** that guide strategic concepts necessary for program implementation and the DWR actions to address the goals and objectives
- Presents an initial plan for DWR **communication and outreach** with partnering agencies, regional and local agencies, stakeholders, and the public.



Current Groundwater Conditions

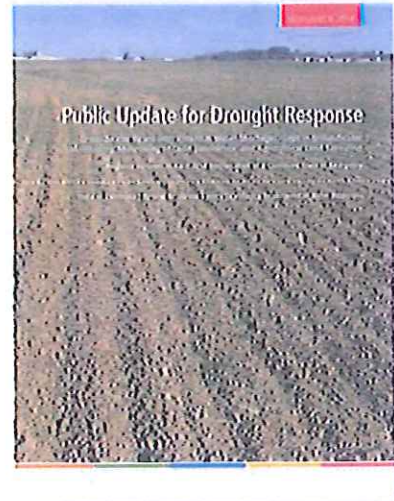
In November 2014, DWR published *Public Update for Drought Response; Groundwater Basins with Potential Water Shortages, Gaps in Groundwater Monitoring, Monitoring of Land Subsidence, and Agricultural Land Fallowing*. As part of the *Water Plan Update 2013*, DWR released *California's Groundwater Update 2013*.

These reports outline the decline of groundwater levels in some areas and the resulting issues and impacts. *Figure 1* illustrates the changes in groundwater levels from Spring 2010 to 2014 by showing numerous wells throughout California that have experienced declines in excess of 10 feet during this four-year period. The collective view of this information identifies areas that are experiencing local and regional declines in groundwater levels. Recent increases in groundwater pumping have resulted in renewed land subsidence in some areas and initiated new areas of land subsidence in others. *Figure 2* summarizes recent, historical, and the estimated potential for future land subsidence in California.

Severe drought in 2014 resulted in a lack of adequate surface water supplies, forcing many water users to increase groundwater pumping. This has resulted in further decline in groundwater levels and storage in the Central Valley from the 2010 levels shown in *Figure 3*.

Factors in recent groundwater level declines in many basins include:

- Chronic long-term pumping of groundwater in excess of the *safe yield* of the groundwater basin. Population growth, expansion of agricultural practices, allocation of water to environmental resources and restrictions to protect threatened species all have contributed to either increased water demand or decreased availability of surface water supplies in California. In response, many water users pump groundwater to offset the reduction in surface water supply.
- Short-term increase in groundwater pumping in drought years. Drought conditions in the last three years have exacerbated the groundwater conditions in many basins as more people use groundwater to meet their needs.
- Changes in irrigated land use. During the last two decades, more agricultural lands have been converted from annual crops to permanent crops, such as vine, nuts, and fruit trees, resulting in water demand hardening. Permanent crops require irrigation during the drought, while in the past many acres of annual crops were left idle through drought years.
- Climate change, resulting in reduced snowpack, will exacerbate the water supply and demand imbalance.

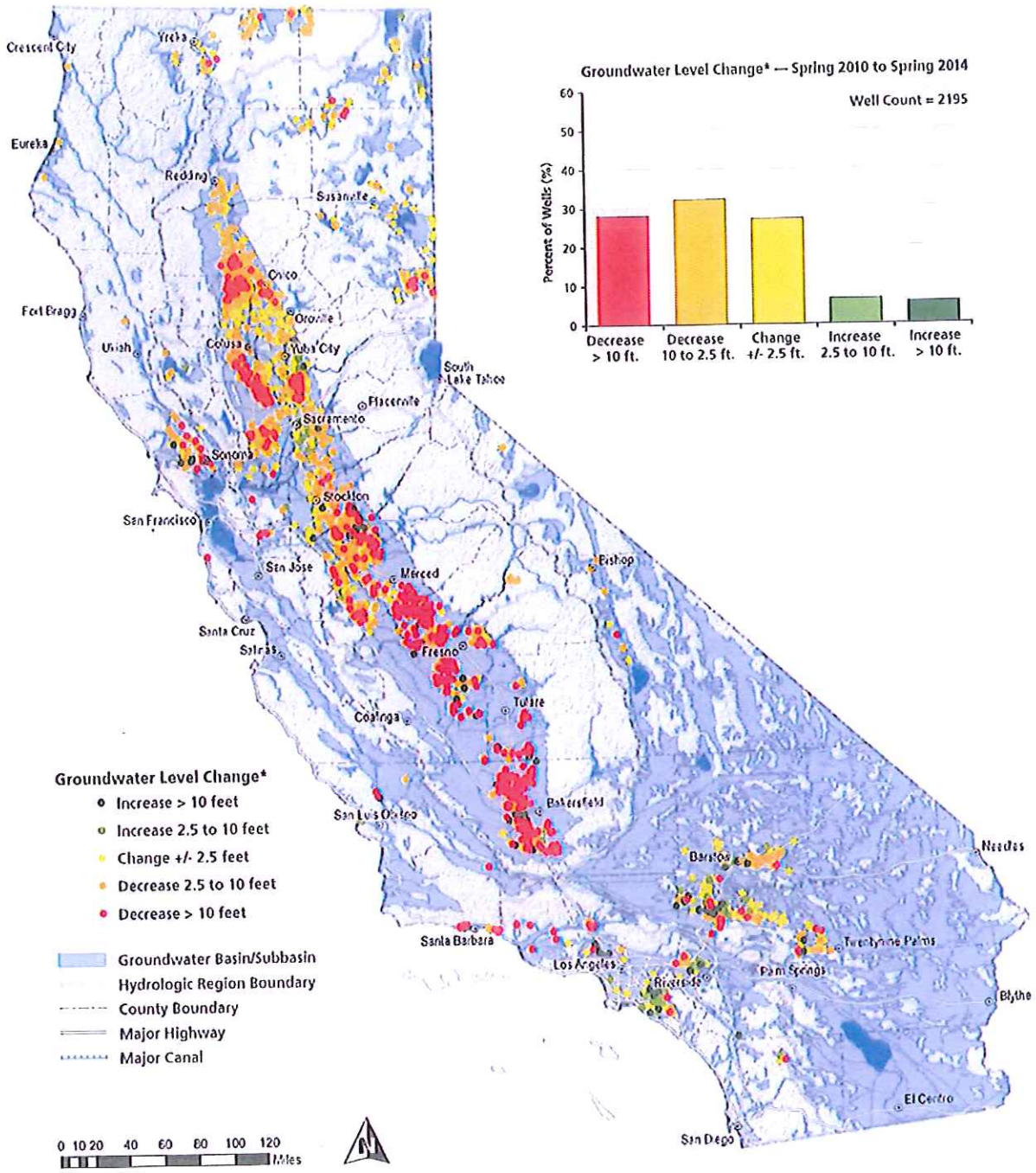


Public Update for Drought Response: *Groundwater Basins with Potential Water Shortages, Gaps in Groundwater Monitoring, Monitoring of Land Subsidence, and Agricultural Land Fallowing*

Key Definition

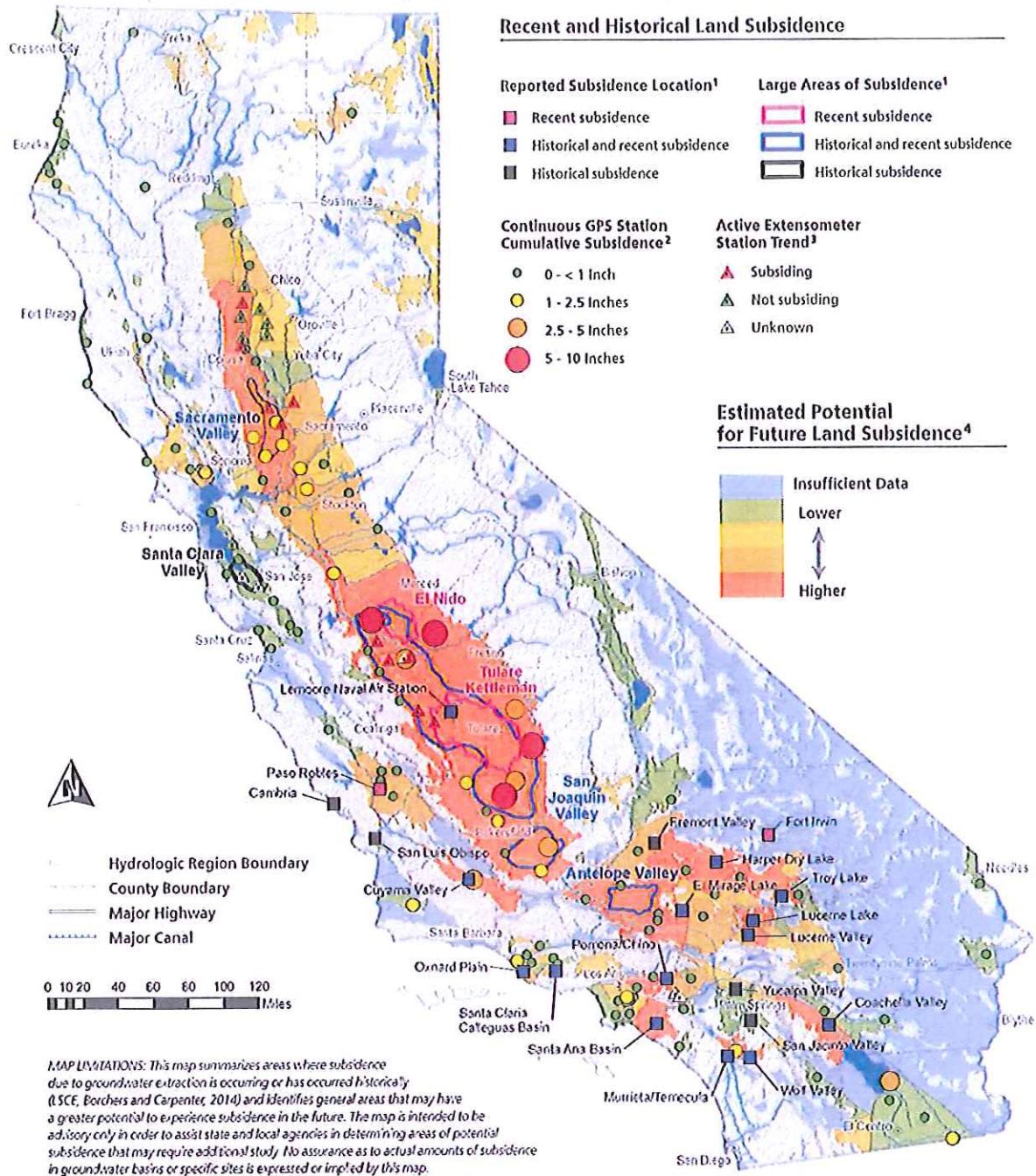
Safe Yield

The maximum quantity of water that can be continuously withdrawn from a groundwater basin without adverse effect.



*Groundwater level change determined from water level measurements in wells. Map and chart based on available data from the DWR Water Data Library as of 11/08/2014. Data subject to change without notice.

Figure 1. Change in Groundwater Levels Spring 2010 to Spring 2014



¹ Land subsidence data modified from LSCE, Borchers and Carpenter, 2014. ² Continuous GPS data from UNAVCO.org.

³ Extensometer data from DWR (<http://www.water.ca.gov/waterdata/library>) and LSCE, Borchers and Carpenter, 2014

⁴ For more information on how the estimated potential for land subsidence was calculated see:

http://www.water.ca.gov/groundwater/docs/Summary_of_Recent_Historical_Potential_Subsidence_in_CA_Final_with_Appendix.pdf

Data current as of May 2014.

Figure 2. Summary of Recent, Historical, and Estimated Potential for Land Subsidence

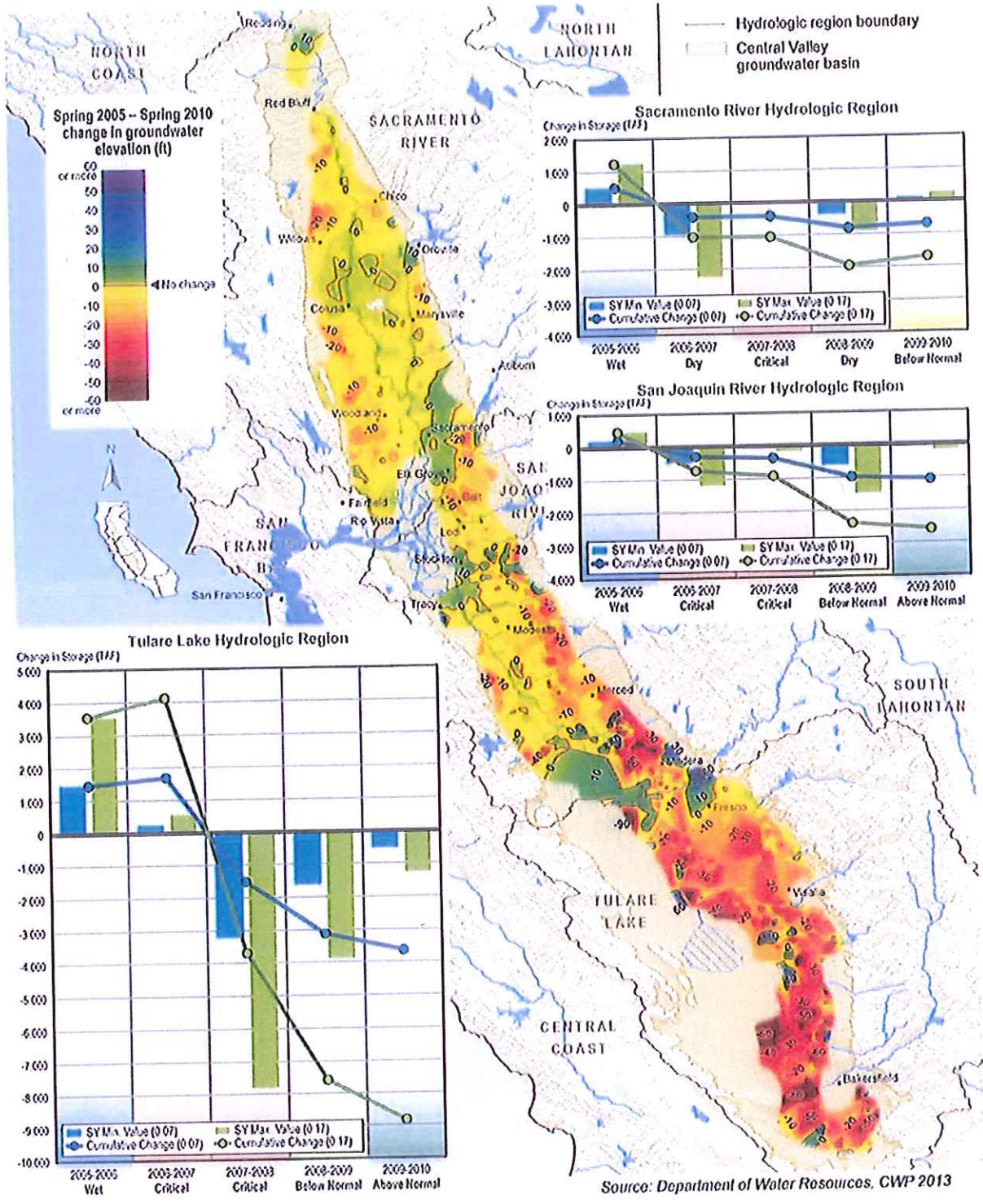


Figure 3. Change in Groundwater Storage in the Central Valley, Spring 2005–Spring 2010

Groundwater Basins

The SGMA addresses alluvial basins identified by DWR's *Bulletin 118*, with specific required actions for those basins that have been categorized as high or medium priority by the California Statewide Groundwater Elevation Monitoring (CASGEM) Program (described below). Groundwater within fractured rock is not addressed by the SGMA. In addition, low and very low priority basins are not subject to the requirements outlined in the SGMA, but local managers are encouraged to manage sustainably and can form Groundwater Sustainability Agencies and develop Groundwater Sustainability Plans.

As part of California's 2009 Comprehensive Water Package legislation (SBx7-6), DWR implemented the CASGEM Program. The SBx7-6 Groundwater Monitoring legislation added Part 2.11 to Division 6 of the California Water Code (§10920 et seq.), which established provisions and requirements for local agencies to develop and conduct groundwater level monitoring programs. The legislation required DWR to identify the extent of groundwater elevation monitoring within each of the alluvial groundwater basins defined in *Bulletin 118-2003*, and to prioritize those basins to help identify, evaluate, and determine the need for additional groundwater level monitoring. The legislation directed DWR to consider, to the extent available, all of the data components listed below as the basis for prioritizing the basins:

1. Population overlying the basin
2. Rate of current and projected growth of the population overlying the basin
3. Number of public supply wells that draw from the basin
4. Total number of wells that draw from the basin
5. Irrigated acreage overlying the basin
6. The degree to which persons overlying the basin rely on groundwater as their primary source of water
7. Any documented impacts on the groundwater within the basin, including *overdraft*, subsidence, saline intrusion, and other water quality degradation
8. Any other information determined to be relevant by DWR.

DWR evaluated California's 515 groundwater basins identified in *Bulletin 118-2003* and categorized them into four priorities:

- High Priority
- Medium Priority
- Low Priority
- Very Low Priority

The CASGEM basin prioritization identified 43 groundwater basins as High Priority, 84 basins as Medium Priority, 27 basins as Low Priority, and the remaining 361 groundwater basins or subbasins as Very Low Priority. The 127 groundwater basins designated as High or Medium Priority include 96 percent of the annual groundwater use and 88 percent of the 2010 population overlying the groundwater basin area. DWR recently determined that the basin prioritization completed in June 2014 for the CASGEM program and shown in *Figure 4* is the initial prioritization required by the SGMA.

Key Definition

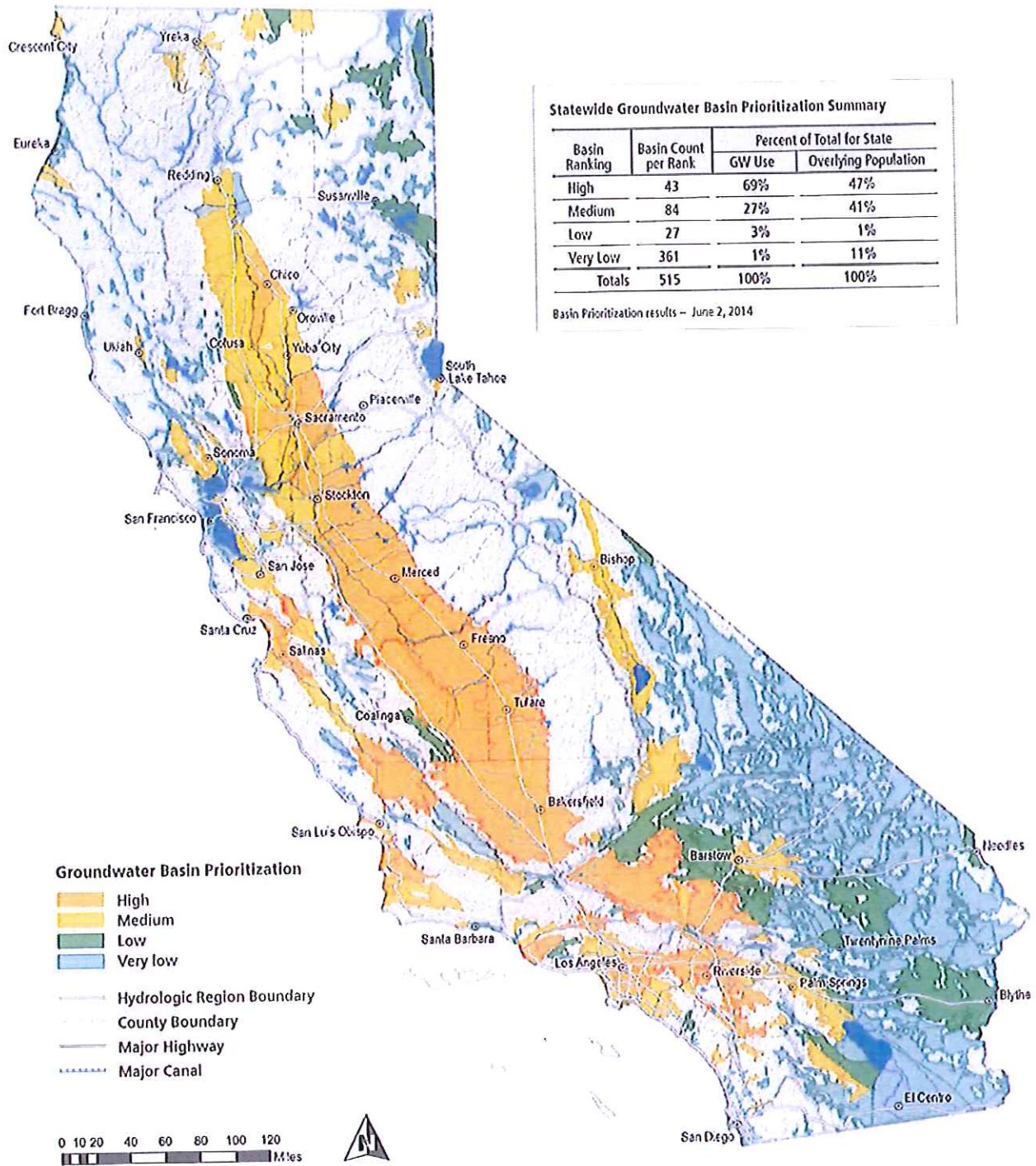
Groundwater Basins

DWR's Bulletin 118 identifies 515 groundwater basins in California. The Act recognized these basins as the initial boundaries for groundwater management and permits revision of basin boundaries at the request of a local agency.

Key Definition

Overdraft

The condition of a groundwater basin where the amount of water withdrawn exceeds the amount of water replenishing the basin over a period of time.



Statewide Groundwater Basin Prioritization Summary

Basin Ranking	Basin Count per Rank	Percent of Total for State	
		GW Use	Overlying Population
High	43	69%	47%
Medium	84	27%	41%
Low	27	3%	1%
Very Low	361	1%	11%
Totals	515	100%	100%

Basin Prioritization results – June 2, 2014

Figure 4. CASGEM Groundwater Basin Prioritization

Legislation and Other Drivers of Policy

In January 2014, the Governor's Office released the *California Water Action Plan* (CWAP). The CWAP formulated actions that focus on sustainable water resource management for California's people, environment, industry, and agriculture, with the overarching goals to improve reliability, restore key ecosystem functions, and establish resilient resources that can be relied upon for future generations. Ten key actions identified in the CWAP:

1. Make conservation a California way of life
2. Increase regional self-reliance and integrated water management across all levels of government
3. Achieve the co-equal goals for the Delta
4. Protect and restore important ecosystems
5. Manage and prepare for dry periods
6. Expand water storage capacity and *improve groundwater management*
7. Provide safe water for all communities
8. Increase flood protection
9. Increase operational and regulatory efficiency
10. Identify sustainable and integrated financing opportunities

The CWAP acknowledges that there is broad agreement that the State's water management system is currently unable to satisfactorily meet all ecological and human needs, is too vulnerable to wet and dry climate cycles and natural disasters, and is inadequate to handle the additional pressures of future population growth and climate change. Water sustainability solutions are complex and expensive, and require the cooperation and ongoing commitment of all Californians working together. To be sustainable, solutions must consider the need to provide for public health and safety (e.g., safe drinking water, clean rivers and beaches, flood protection), to protect the environment, and to support a stable California economy.

CWAP recognizes the importance of increased water supply reliability, improved restoration of important species and habitat, and the develop-



An excerpt from the *California Water Action Plan* about the need for better groundwater management:

"The bottom line is that we need to expand our State's storage capacity, whether surface or groundwater, whether big or small. Today, we need more storage to deal with the effects of drought and climate change on water supplies for both human and ecosystem needs... Moreover, we must better manage our groundwater basins to reverse alarming declines in groundwater levels. Continued declines in groundwater levels could lead to irreversible land subsidence, poor water quality, reduced surface flows, ecosystem impacts, and the permanent loss of capacity to store water as groundwater."

CWAP Action 6: Expand water storage capacity and improve groundwater management

- Provide Essential Data to Enable Sustainable Groundwater Management
- Support Funding Partnerships for Storage Projects
- Update Bulletin 118, California's Groundwater Plan
- Improve Sustainable Groundwater Management
- Support Distributed Groundwater Storage
- Increase Statewide Groundwater Recharge
- Accelerate Clean-up of Contaminated Groundwater and Prevent Future Contamination

Key Definition

Water Budget

"Water budget" means an accounting of the total groundwater and surface water entering and leaving a basin including the changes in the amount of water stored. (Water Code § 10721 (x))

ment of a more resilient and sustainably managed water resources system. The CWAP also outlines the importance of groundwater in achieving water management sustainability, a linkage between surface water and groundwater, and increasing the State's groundwater and surface water storage capacity. Achieving groundwater sustainability will be dependent on implementing sustainable and balanced *water budgets* throughout California, and addressing most of the key actions identified in the CWAP.

Building up to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

There have been a number of previous legislative and administrative efforts that have laid the groundwork for development of the SGMA, and several of these are likely to be useful tools as implementation of the SGMA goes forward. These efforts include:

Assembly Bill 3030 (AB 3030)

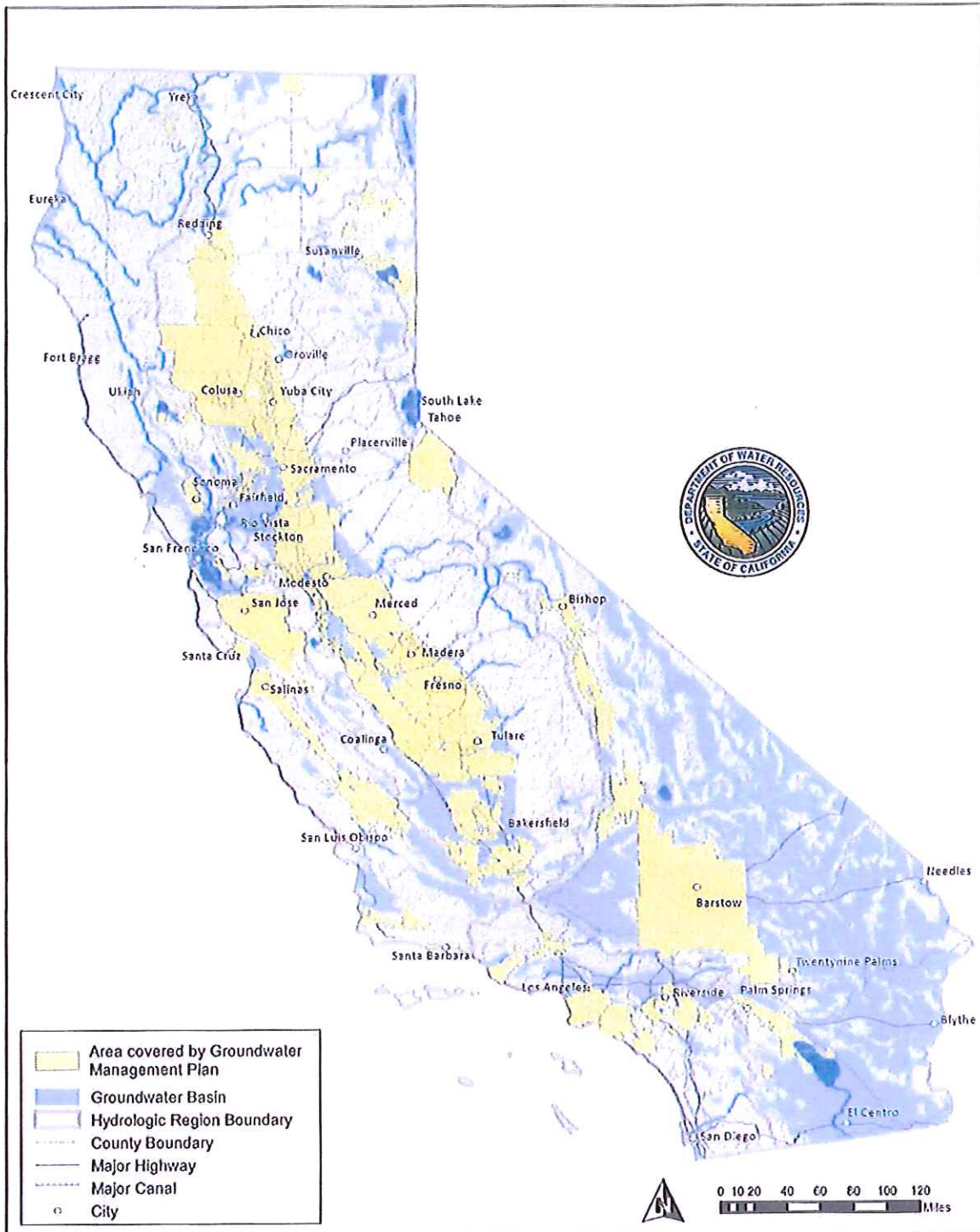
The passage of AB 3030 in 1992 encouraged local agencies to prepare and adopt plans for managing their local groundwater resources, whether or not their groundwater basin exhibited overdraft conditions. This legislation was significant in that it greatly increased the number of local agencies authorized to develop a groundwater management plan and set forth a common framework for management by local agencies throughout California. AB 3030 provides a systematic procedure to develop a groundwater management plan by local agencies overlying the groundwater basins defined by *Bulletin 118-75* and updates. Upon adoption of a plan, these agencies could possess the same authority as a water replenishment district to "fix and collect fees and assessments for groundwater management" (Water Code § 10754). However, the authority to fix and collect these fees and assessments is contingent on receiving a majority of votes in favor of the proposal in a local election (Water Code § 10754.3).

Senate Bill 1938 (SB 1938)

In 2002, the Legislature passed SB 1938, which expanded groundwater management plan requirements related to groundwater levels, groundwater quality, inelastic land subsidence, and surface water-groundwater interaction, and required local agencies to develop and adopt plans so groundwater projects can be eligible for receiving public funds. The law requires any public agency seeking State funds administered through DWR for the construction of groundwater projects or groundwater quality projects to prepare and implement a groundwater management plan with certain specified components. New requirements included establishing basin management objectives, preparing a plan to involve other local agencies in a cooperative planning effort, and adopting monitoring protocols that promote efficient and effective groundwater management. *Figure 5* shows basins in California covered by some form of groundwater management plan.

Assembly Bill 359 (AB 359)

AB 359, introduced in 2011, made changes to the California Water Code that, among other things, requires local agencies to provide a copy of their groundwater management plans to DWR and requires DWR to provide public access to those plans. The bill



GWMP areas throughout California as of October 2013. The GWMP areas are represented as those that were implemented prior to SB 1938, those implemented after SB 1938, and those that also include groundwater recharge mapping pursuant to AB 359. Document Name: Statewide_GWMP_20140423 Updated: 04/24/2014 Data subject to change without notice.

Figure 5. Location of Groundwater Management Plans in California

requires local agencies to provide a map of recharge areas to local planning agencies and notify DWR and other interested persons when a map is submitted. Prior to the passage of AB 359, which went into effect on January 1, 2013, local groundwater management planning agencies were not required to submit their groundwater management plans to DWR.

Local Groundwater Ordinances

Another method of managing groundwater is through ordinances adopted by local governments such as cities or counties. DWR's *Bulletin 118-2003* indicated that 27 counties adopted groundwater management ordinances related to the following activities: forming advisory committees; establishing basin management objectives; and controlling the export of groundwater by requiring permits for transferring groundwater out of the basin or county. The authority of counties to regulate groundwater has been challenged. An important event in 1995 was the California Supreme Court declining to review an appeal of a lower court decision, *Baldwin v. County of Tehama* (1994), that holds that State law does not occupy the field of groundwater management and does not prevent cities and counties from adopting ordinances to manage groundwater under their police powers. However, the precise nature and extent of the police power of cities and counties to regulate groundwater is uncertain. *Bulletin 118-2003* provided a model groundwater ordinance with recommended components of a groundwater management plan to guide local agencies as they develop groundwater management ordinances.

Adjudication

In some groundwater basins, as the demand for groundwater exceeded the safe yield and caused overdraft, landowners and other parties turned to the courts to determine how much groundwater can rightfully be extracted by each user. The courts study available information on groundwater use and other factors to arrive at a distribution of the groundwater that is available each year, usually based on the California law of overlying use and appropriation. This court-directed process can be lengthy and costly. Many of these cases have been resolved with a court-approved negotiated settlement, called a stipulated judgment. The court decisions guarantee to each party a proportionate share of the groundwater that is available each year. The intense technical focus on the groundwater yield and restrictions on groundwater extraction for all parties make adjudications one of the strongest forms of groundwater management in California.

The majority of adjudicated groundwater basins are located in Southern California and in the South Coast region (See *Figure 6*). For each adjudicated groundwater basin, the court usually appoints a water-master to oversee the court judgment. The majority of groundwater basin adjudications in California impose extraction limits and/or initiate management actions in the event of declining groundwater levels or water quality degradation. The primary objective of adjudication is to provide a proportionate share of available groundwater to users within the basin so it can be extracted without having adverse effects on existing groundwater supplies. Environmental concerns were not considered when most of the judgments were written.

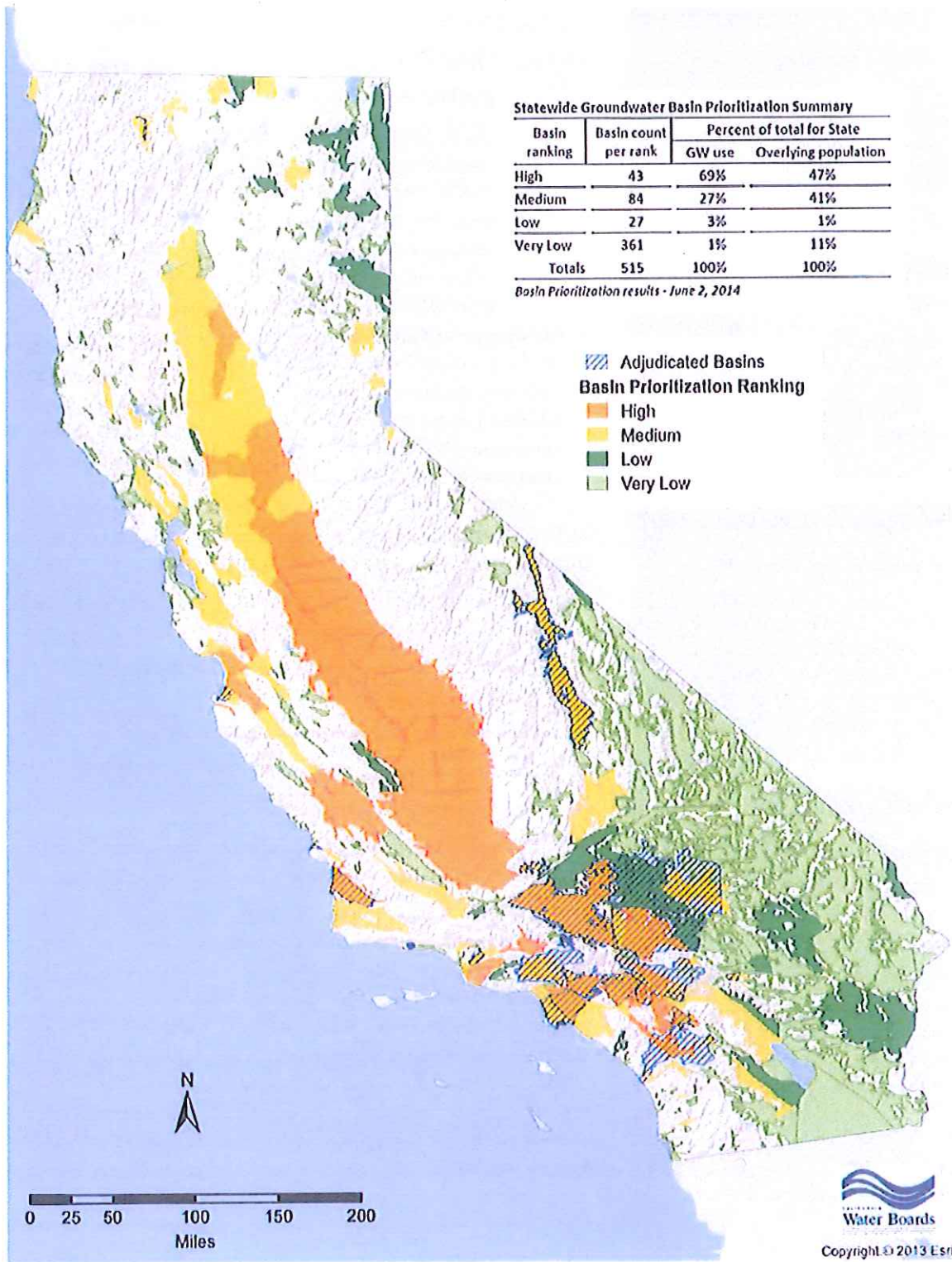


Figure 6. Adjudicated Groundwater Basins in California

Key Definition

Sustainable Groundwater Management

The management and use of groundwater in a manner that can be maintained during the planning and implementation horizon without causing undesirable results.

Key Definition

Undesirable Results

Chronic lowering of groundwater levels, reduction of groundwater storage, seawater intrusion, degraded water quality, land subsidence and depletions of interconnected surface waters.

Key Definition

Critical Conditions of Overdraft

A basin is subject to critical conditions of overdraft when continuation of present water management practices would probably result in significant adverse overdraft-related environmental, social, or economic impacts (DWR Bulletin 118-80).

Key Definition

Groundwater Sustainability Agency

"Groundwater sustainability agency" means one or more local agencies that implement the provisions of this part. For purposes of imposing fees pursuant to Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 10730) or taking action to enforce a groundwater sustainability plan, "groundwater sustainability agency" also means each local agency comprising the groundwater sustainability agency if the plan authorizes separate agency action.*

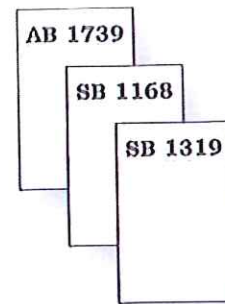
**Local agency is a local public agency that has water supply, water management, or land use responsibilities within a groundwater basin.*

Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

On September 16, 2014, the Governor signed into law a three-bill legislative package: AB 1739 (Dickinson), SB 1168 (Pavley), and SB 1319 (Pavley). These laws are collectively known as the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. This new legislation defines *sustainable groundwater management* as the "management and use of groundwater in a manner that can be maintained during the planning and implementation horizon without causing undesirable results" (Water Code § 10721(u)). "Undesirable results" are defined in the legislation as any of the following effects caused by groundwater conditions occurring throughout the basin (Water Code § 10721(w) (1-6)):

- Chronic lowering of groundwater levels indicating a significant and unreasonable depletion of supply
- Significant and unreasonable reduction of groundwater storage
- Significant and unreasonable seawater intrusion
- Significant and unreasonable degraded water quality
- Significant and unreasonable land subsidence
- Surface water depletions that have significant and unreasonable adverse impacts on beneficial uses of the surface water.

The legislation requires High and Medium Priority basins under the CASGEM program subject to *critical conditions of overdraft* to be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan by January 31, 2020 (Water Code § 10720.7(a) (1)), and requires all other groundwater basins designated as High or Medium Priority basins to be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan by January 31, 2022 (Water Code § 10720.7 (a) (2)). The legislation provides for financial and enforcement tools to carry out effective local sustainable groundwater management through formation of *Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs)*. The SGMA does not require adjudicated basins to develop GSPs, but they are required to report their water use. Additional work is underway to examine methods for expediting the adjudication process.



The Governor's signing message states,

"A central feature of these bills is the recognition that groundwater management in California is best accomplished locally."

The legislation significantly increases the role and responsibilities of DWR to support sustainable groundwater management. The legislation directs DWR to:

- Complete regulations for changing basin boundaries and establish content for and review of *Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs)*
- Update basin priorities
- Conduct groundwater assessments into the next decade.

Together these new responsibilities require DWR to manage its existing resources and expand its expertise to meet the challenges and opportunities ahead.

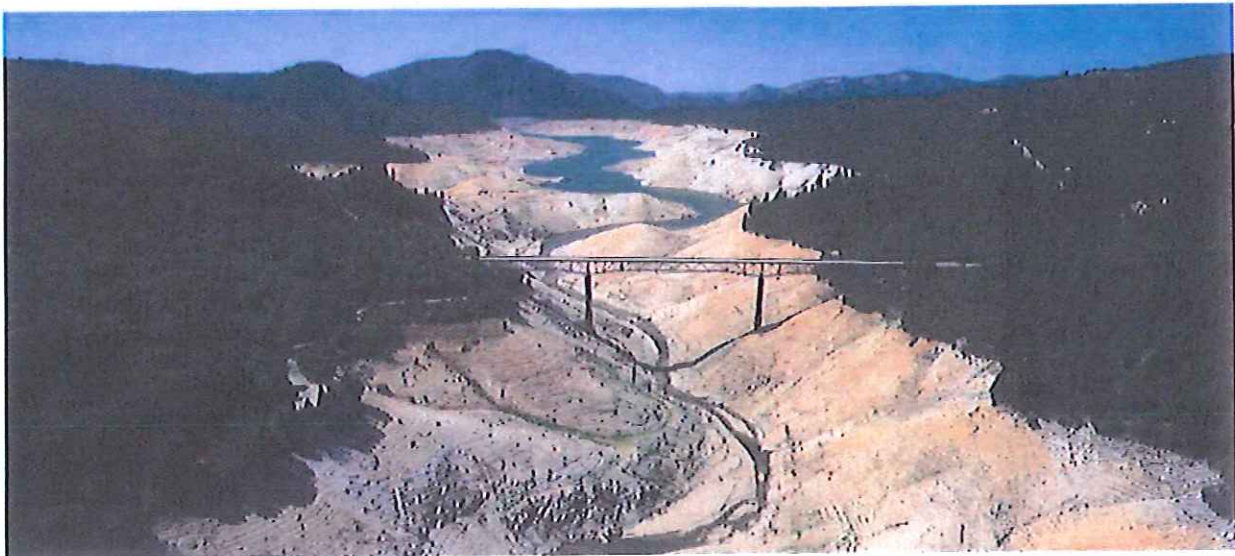
The new legislation also expands the role of DWR to support local implementation of sustainable groundwater management, and allows for State Intervention (SWRCB) at discrete points throughout the process if local agencies are not willing or able to manage groundwater sustainably. *Figure 7* (page 22) summarizes the major timelines and milestones on California's path to sustainable groundwater management.

Improving California groundwater management practices will require that local and regional agencies have the incentives, tools, authority, and guidance to develop, implement, and enforce sustainable groundwater management practices to provide the benefits of water supply reliability and resiliency, public health and safety, ecosystem services, and a stable California economy.

Key Definition

Groundwater Sustainability Plan

"Groundwater Sustainability Plan" is a plan of a Groundwater Sustainability Agency, proposed or adopted.



The severe drought in 2014 resulted in a lack of adequate surface water supply, which forced many water users to increase groundwater pumping. Above, Lake Oroville and the Enterprise Bridge looking from the South Fork on September 5, 2014.

Key Intended Outcomes and Benefits of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

Key intended outcomes of the SGMA include:

- Advancement in understanding and knowledge of the State's groundwater basins and their issues and challenges
- Establishment of effective local governance to protect and manage groundwater basins
- Management of regional water resources for regional self-sufficiency and drought resilience
- Sustainable management of groundwater basins through the actions of local governmental agencies, utilizing State intervention only when necessary
- All groundwater alluvial basins in California are protected and operated to maintain adequate quality to support the beneficial uses for the resource.
- Surface water and groundwater are managed as "a Single Resource" to sustain their interconnectivity, provide dry season base flow to interconnected streams, and support and promote long-term aquatic ecosystem health and vitality.
- A statewide framework for local groundwater management planning, including development of sustainable groundwater management best management practices and plans
- Development of comprehensive water budgets, groundwater models, and engineering tools for effective management of groundwater basins
- Improved coordination between land use and groundwater planning
- Enforcement actions as needed by the SWRCB to achieve region-by-region sustainable groundwater management in accordance with the 2014 legislation.

To assist in attaining the above outcomes, DWR will provide local agencies with the technical and financial assistance necessary to sustainably manage their water resources.

The benefits of these outcomes include:

- A reliable, safe and sustainable water supply to protect communities, farms, and the environment, and support a stable and growing economy
- Elimination of long-term groundwater overdraft, an increase in groundwater storage, avoidance or minimization of subsidence, enhancement of water flows in stream systems, and prevention of future groundwater quality degradation.

Success Factors

The SGMA provides a framework for best management of groundwater resources. There will be many challenges to overcome in implementing the SGMA, but addressing these will foster successful sustainable groundwater management. It is critical to identify and understand those challenges as DWR works with State, federal, and local agencies, tribes, and other stakeholders to achieve groundwater sustainability goals. Success will depend upon the following factors:

- **Balanced water supply and demand:** Current available surface water and safe yield of the groundwater basins must be balanced to support the current and future land use in the basin.
- **Coordinated water management within a basin:** Moving from disjointed basin management with sometimes conflicting interests and inconsistent objectives to a more coordinated structure will enable sustainable water management within basins.
- **Regulatory oversight and enforcement:** Managing groundwater extraction, establishing a fair allocation of groundwater resources, coordinating land use changes versus resource management, and controlling future groundwater development.
- **Regulation and criteria development:** DWR has the opportunity to promote local/regional groundwater management flexibility while ensuring that the ultimate goal of statewide sustainable groundwater management is achieved by developing appropriate and supportable criteria and regulations.
- **Basin stabilization:** Full recovery of the groundwater system may be possible in some basins. Critical issues that will need to be addressed include land subsidence and salts and nutrient concentrations. By addressing these impacts and challenges, basin managers can achieve significant improvements.
- **Improved data management:** Accurate and abundant data is necessary to assist basins in adequately developing and implementing plans to achieve the goals of the SGMA. This could include a more strategic and focused system of groundwater monitoring networks, extraction reporting, model and tool development, and a standardized process to determine water budgets for the basin.
- **Funding and resources:** Immediate, reliable, and long-term State and local funding will enable and support the achievement of the goals for sustainable groundwater management. Certain rural and disadvantaged communities will benefit from adequate funding to achieve their goals.
- **Communication and outreach:** Fostering robust communication amongst multiple entities with differing roles and responsibilities and stakeholders with differing and sometimes conflicting interests will further chances for success. Flexibility and cooperation will support consensus building amongst the various interested groups.
- **Uncertainties:** Addressing uncertainties directly will improve the likelihood for success, including those related to data, modeling and the long term effects of climate change. However, we must acknowledge we will not completely eliminate uncertainties and will therefore need to allow for adaptive management of systems as system knowledge improves.

Groundwater Sustainability Goals, Objectives, and Actions

The goals and objectives of this *Strategic Plan* are specific to DWR's role in achieving the overall goal of sustainable groundwater management, which means assisting local agencies to achieve balanced groundwater basin conditions and avoid adverse impacts such as land subsidence and long-term overdraft of the basin. Two key principles of the groundwater legislation guiding DWR include the following:

Groundwater is best managed at the local or regional level, and local agencies should have the tools they need to sustainably manage their resources. Some local and regional agencies do not currently have the necessary tools and resources to be successful. The legislation ensures that local and regional agencies will have the resources they need to sustainably manage groundwater, including the necessary authority, technical information, and financial resources.

When local or regional agencies cannot or will not manage their groundwater sustainably, the State will intervene until the local agencies develop and implement sustainable groundwater management plans. This limited State intervention would be temporary—until an adequate local program is established—to ensure the protection of the groundwater basin and its users from overdraft, subsidence, and other problems stemming from unsustainable uses of groundwater resources.

DWR's Groundwater Sustainability Goal

DWR will seek to assist local and regional GSAs to manage groundwater sustainably for long-term reliability, for economic, social, and environmental benefits, for current and future beneficial uses, and as an integral part of broader sustainable water management throughout California.

To achieve this goal, DWR has developed the following objectives. These objectives define DWR's approach to organizing and executing the work necessary for successful program implementation.

Objective 1: Develop a Framework for Sustainable Groundwater Management

Providing a structure which will enable GSA's to achieve success will require many factors be addressed. This objective will address basin boundaries and prioritization, GSP formulation and content, BMP's, and water budgeting. In order to address directives from the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, DWR will develop regulations to inform and support regional efforts.

Objective 2: Provide Statewide Technical Assistance to Groundwater Sustainability Agencies

Providing technical assistance to GSA's will be crucial in enabling their success in managing their groundwater basins. GSA's will depend on easily accessible data and will be able to access this information via an online information system. Well standards and water conservation assistance will also be addressed.

Objective 3: Provide Statewide Planning Assistance to Support Groundwater Sustainability

DWR's *Bulletin-118* provides a systematic evaluation of groundwater basins in California, and will be updated to reflect critical information, including basin boundaries, groundwater quality data, yield data, and water budgets. This information will support and inform statewide water planning and assessment, including water budgeting, via DWR's *California Water Plan (Bulletin-160)*. DWR will also provide information to support local groundwater recharge projects.

Objective 4: Assist State and GSA Alignment and Provide Financial Assistance

Strong alignment and collaboration between and amongst local, regional, and State agencies will be critical to achieving sustainable groundwater management statewide. DWR will provide venues for communication and engagement, educational materials, and facilitation services, as well as financial assistance to help ensure success.

Objective 5: Provide Interregional Assistance

Achieving this objective will require DWR to support regional water managers with information on water reliability, storage and conveyance opportunities, water available for replenishment, and updated surface-groundwater interactions.

These objectives will be addressed by way of a suite of actions undertaken by DWR over the coming years to promote and support sustainable water management. These corresponding actions are defined in the following section.

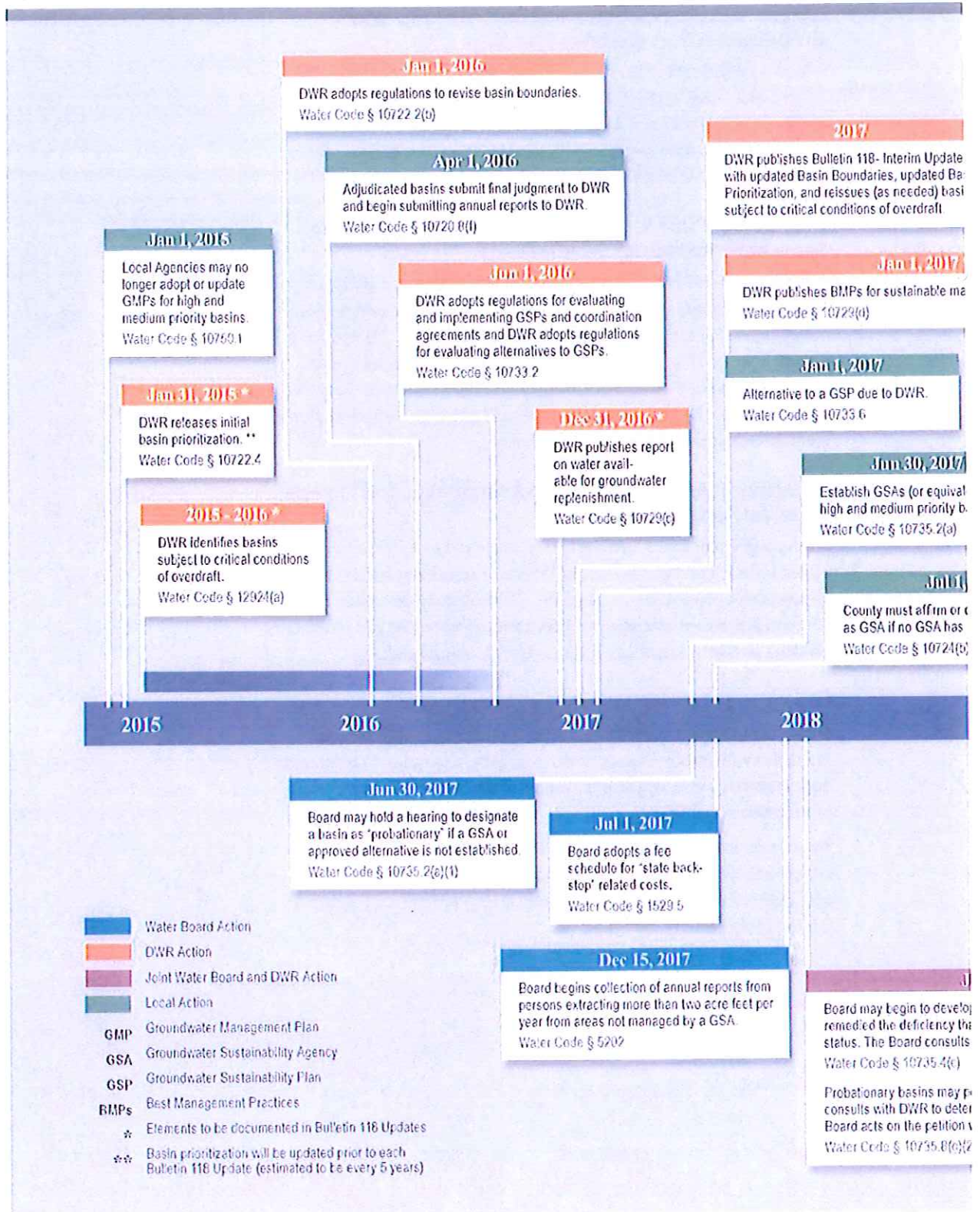
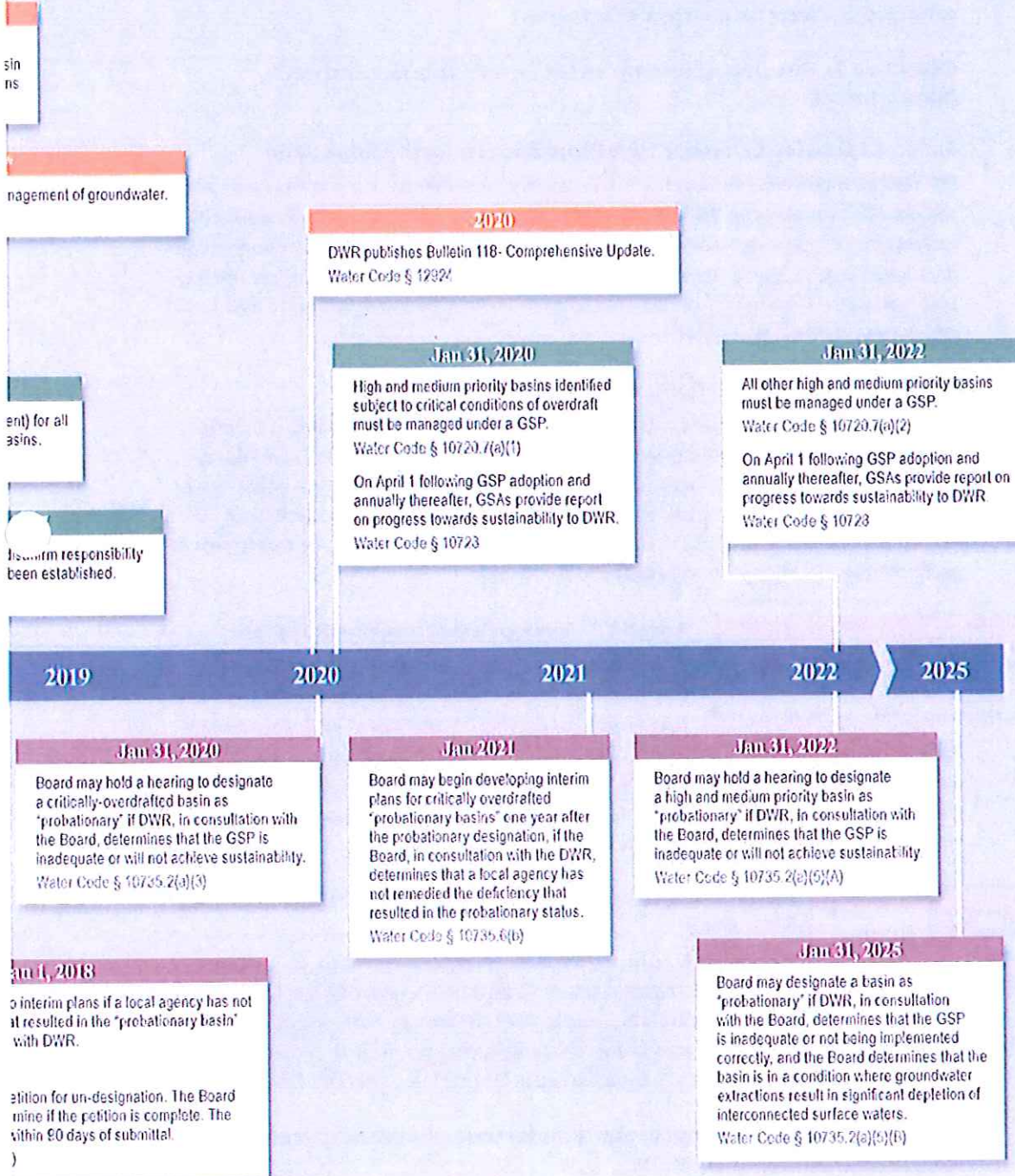


Figure 7. Major Timeline of Key SGMA Milestones

Key SGMA Milestones



December 2014

DWR Objectives and Corresponding Actions

DWR's groundwater sustainability objectives and their associated actions are formulated to assist local agencies and GSAs to prepare and implement plans to achieve sustainable groundwater management in their basins. These objectives and their related actions were developed to achieve the key intended outcomes.

Objective 1: Develop a Framework for Sustainable Groundwater Management

Action 1.1 Develop Comprehensive Water Budgets for the Entire Basin

DWR will provide guidance and criteria for preparing water budgets and will review, verify, and provide comments on the water budgets prepared by the GSAs. DWR will work with local agencies to provide technical expertise to quantify comprehensive water budgets for the entire basin, including connections to upper watersheds and adjacent basins, and support making the information available to the agencies and the public through a web-based information management system.

Jan 31, 2015 *

DWR releases initial basin prioritization. **
Water Code § 10722.4

Action 1.2 Update Basin Prioritizations

DWR will periodically revise and publish basin prioritization through updates of *Bulletin 118*. Groundwater basins will be categorized as High, Medium, Low, or Very Low Priority using eight criteria including basin population, irrigated acreage, and degree of reliance on groundwater. The initial basin prioritization already has been determined as that published in June 2014 pursuant to CASGEM. Future basin priority updates will include assessment of groundwater-related impacts to habitat and streamflow.

Jan 1, 2017 *

DWR publishes BMPs for sustainable management of groundwater.
Water Code § 10722(c)

Action 1.3 Develop Best Management Practices

By **January 1, 2017**, DWR will publish best management practices (BMPs) for sustainable groundwater management. These BMPs will provide descriptions of essential elements

to be incorporated into a GSP, including stakeholder coordination, effective and appropriate monitoring systems for determining how well sustainability objectives are being met, essential data collection and management, and public transparency guidance. The BMPs will be incorporated into future *Bulletin 118* updates.

Jan 1, 2016

DWR adopts regulations to revise basin boundaries.
Water Code § 10722.2(b)

Action 1.4 Develop and Adopt Regulations for Basin Boundary Revisions

By **January 1, 2016**, DWR will adopt regulations, which will include the methodology and criteria to be used in evaluating and approving basin boundary adjustments. DWR will then evaluate and approve local agency requests for basin boundary changes where supporting documents meet the specified criteria. Boundary changes will be published in *Bulletin 118: California's Groundwater*.

Action 1.5 Develop and Adopt Regulations for Groundwater Sustainability Plan Assessment and GSP Alternatives

By **June 1, 2016**, DWR will develop and adopt regulations for evaluating the adequacy of GSPs, the implementation of GSPs, and the development of coordination agreements.

These regulations will identify necessary plan components and describe how DWR will determine whether sustainable management objectives and actions developed by GSAs meet the intent of the SGMA. The regulations also will identify required necessary information for coordination with adjacent GSAs.

By **June 1, 2016**, DWR also will adopt regulations for evaluating alternatives to GSPs. Local agencies that wish to manage the basin under an alternative to GSP will need to submit their alternative to DWR by January 1, 2017. Basins managed under adjudication are required to submit their final judgment to DWR by April 1, 2016, and begin submitting their annual reports to DWR.

Jun 1, 2016
 DWR adopts regulations for evaluating and implementing GSPs and coordination agreements and DWR adopts regulations for evaluating alternatives to GSPs.
 Water Code § 19739.2

Action 1.6 Identify Basins Subject to Critical Conditions of Overdraft

By **2016**, DWR will develop and apply criteria to identify basins subject to critical conditions of overdraft.

2016 - 2016*
 DWR identifies basins subject to critical conditions of overdraft.
 Water Code § 12024(i)

Action 1.7 Evaluate Adequacy of Groundwater Sustainability Plans

Within two years of receiving a GSP, DWR will evaluate the GSP and provide the GSA with an assessment of the plan– including recommended corrective action to address plan deficiencies or adequacy to achieve sustainability.

Objective 2: Provide Statewide Technical Assistance to Groundwater Sustainability Agencies

Action 2.1. Develop a Groundwater Management Information System

DWR will develop a web-based groundwater management information system to collect, organize, store, and manage the exchange of information between DWR and GSAs.

Action 2.2. Collect Groundwater Quality Data

DWR will continue to collect and make groundwater quality data available.

Action 2.3. Collect Groundwater Elevation Data

DWR will continue to collect, assess, and make groundwater level data available and provide assistance to improve/expand statewide groundwater elevation monitoring for high and medium priority basins.

Action 2.4 Collect Subsidence Data

DWR will provide support to advance the collection and reporting of land subsidence data and opportunities to improve subsidence monitoring through remote sensing techniques.

Action 2.5 Establish Well Standards

DWR will update the California Well Standards and submit them to the SWRCB for adoption into the Model Well Ordinance. DWR will provide training to local enforcing agencies in administering the updated Standards.

Action 2.6 Implement the CASGEM Program

DWR will continue to support the CASGEM program and efforts that support local collection, analysis, and reporting of relevant data and information.

Action 2.7 Promote Water Conservation

DWR will provide assistance and water management strategies to groundwater-reliant entities to promote water conservation and protect groundwater resources

Objective 3: Provide Statewide Planning Assistance to Support Groundwater Sustainability

2017

DWR publishes Bulletin 118- Interim Update with updated Basin Boundaries, updated Basin Prioritization, and reissues (as needed) basins subject to critical conditions of overdraft.

Action 3.1 Update Bulletin 118

By 2017, DWR will complete an interim *Bulletin 118* Update, then by 2020, and every 5 years thereafter DWR will update Bulletin 118, which will include updated basin boundaries and basin prioritization and identify basins that are subject to critical conditions of overdraft.

Action 3.2 Integrate Groundwater information into Bulletin 160

DWR will incorporate basin budget information from *Bulletin 118* updates into statewide planning analysis developed as part of the Department's *Bulletin 160 California Water Plan* updates, to assess changes in aquifer storage and long-term groundwater sustainability throughout California.

Action 3.3 Local Assistance for Recharge Projects

DWR will support the development, protection, and operation of a statewide network of locally and regionally operated natural and artificial groundwater recharge and managed groundwater storage sites. This will include identifying regulatory barriers and assist in removing those barriers, and providing technical tools and assistance to promote natural and managed groundwater recharge. This action will complement Action 5.1.

Objective 4: Assist State and GSA Alignment and Provide Financial Assistance

Action 4.1. Alignment for management of groundwater programs

DWR will establish State agency steering committees, policy groups, and technical advisory groups to help strengthen and improve alignment and collaboration with the State and GSAs, and to provide guidance and support to GSAs and other stakeholders. State agency steering committees will ensure collaboration, avoid redundancy, and remain in alignment throughout the implementation process.

Action 4.2 Provide Financial Assistance

DWR will provide funding to help local agencies to develop tools and models, prepare water budgets, and provide technical assistance in helping GSAs prepare their GSPs.

"One hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) shall be made available for competitive grants for projects that develop and implement groundwater plans and projects"

--Proposition 1

Action 4.3. Provide Education and Communication Assistance

DWR will assist in establishing effective communication pathways between GSAs and stakeholders through the implementation of a public engagement and outreach plan. DWR will provide education materials to stakeholders to assist in the development of groundwater sustainability agencies.

Action 4.4. Provide Facilitation and Engagement Assistance

DWR will provide neutral facilitation services to assist GSA development by assessing local issues, identifying common values and objectives, and establishing a framework for consensus building.

Objective 5: Provide Interregional Assistance

Action 5.1. Assist in the Implementation of Storage and Conveyance Projects

DWR will provide assistance to local agencies to implement groundwater conjunctive use and help curb groundwater overdraft. This could include development of storage projects, conveyance, inter-regional and systemwide infrastructure improvements for basin water supply reliability and to reduce reliance on groundwater.

Action 5.2. Provide Information on Surface Water Reliability

DWR will provide systemwide water supply availability information including State Water Project and Central Valley Project water supply reliability and delivery information.

Action 5.3. Advance Studies on Surface/Groundwater Interaction

DWR will advance studies, modeling, tools and integrated water management actions that support the understanding and ability to manage water as a single resource. Independent management of surface water and groundwater resources often result in undesirable consequences to the long-term supply of one or both of these resources.

Action 5.4. Provide Information for Water availability for Replenishment

By December 31, 2016, DWR will publish a report providing a statewide estimate of water available for groundwater replenishment. This estimate will provide information to enhance supply, based on hydrology and feasible conveyance improvements. This estimate will be included in updates to *Bulletin 118*.

Dec 31, 2016 *
DWR publishes report on water available for groundwater replenishment.
Water Code § 107200.9

Phased Implementation

It will take years to achieve the ultimate goal of local sustainable groundwater management at a statewide scale. To achieve the key outcomes, DWR, SWRCB, and other State agencies will work together to implement the many actions listed above, and assist local agencies in achieving groundwater sustainability. *Figure 8* provides and overview of the phased implementation of DWR's groundwater sustainability actions.

Groundwater Sustainability Program DRAFT Strategic Plan

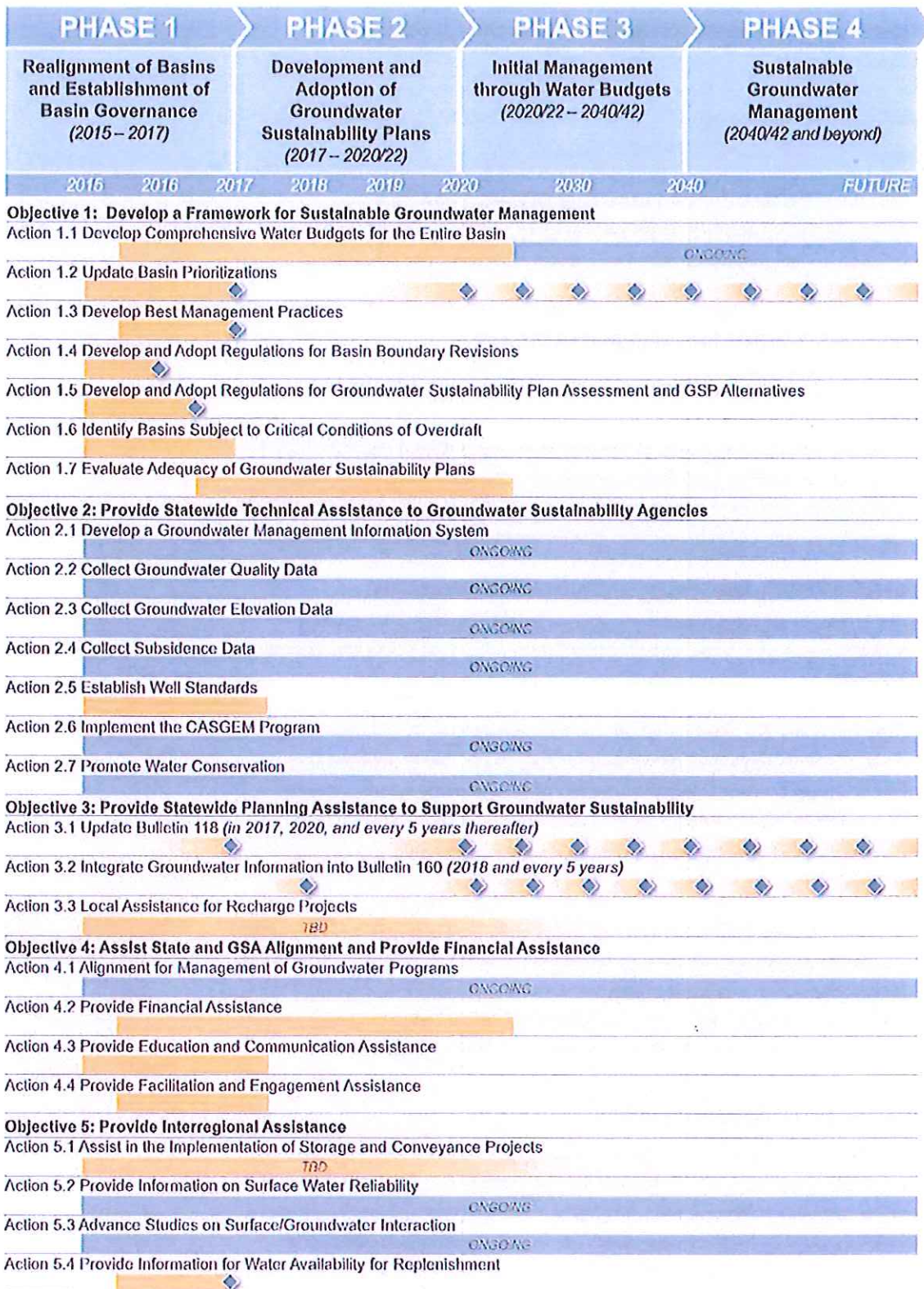


Figure 8. Phased Implementation of DWR Groundwater Sustainability Actions

Communication and Outreach

Governor Brown noted upon signing the SGMA that groundwater is best managed at the local level, and that the State's primary role is to provide guidance and support. The CWAP, SGMA, and provisions of Proposition 1 (Water Bond) direct the State to provide assistance to local agencies. Successful implementation is directly tied to effective communication and outreach, in addition to coordination at all levels of government. The SGMA requires DWR to develop regulations and tools, provide data and information, and provide support to local and regional agencies as they take on central roles in managing their groundwater basins and advancing the CWAP. California water management needs are diverse and implementation of the SGMA necessitates timely, forthright, and consistent communication among all partners and stakeholders.

In addition to communication, proactive outreach to and engagement of partners and stakeholders is essential to achieving sustainable groundwater management at the local and regional level. Local and regional agencies in turn must reach out to keep local citizens, groundwater users, and stakeholders informed. Adaptive, practical, and two-way communication is essential to establishing and maintaining the partnerships needed. This section of the *Strategic Plan* provides an overview of DWR's initial plan for communication, outreach, and coordination with partners. The key audiences for this effort include:

- **State, Federal and Tribal Governments:** Governor's Administration, Legislature and key State and federal agencies, tribes
- **Regional and local governments and agencies:** Water and groundwater management agencies and districts; land use entities such as counties and cities
- **Other stakeholders:** Non-governmental organizations including water and groundwater, environmental, environmental justice, agriculture; universities
- **The public.**

A more comprehensive communication and outreach plan is forthcoming.

Communication

Communication will provide for continuous sharing of information on all aspects of SGMA implementation, including details of DWR activities. Through proactive, regular, and timely communication, DWR seeks to accomplish the following:

- **Engagement:** Seek and maintain collaboration and cooperation with other agencies and stakeholders, and solicit and encourage public participation in SGMA implementation
- **Education:** Educate stakeholders, water users, and citizens on the requirements of the SGMA and water management sustainability objectives, and DWR's role in its implementation, relative to other State agencies
- **Accessibility:** Provide easy access to informative materials, data, reports and DWR's technical experts
- **Accountability:** Measure and report on progress and accomplishments in implementing the SGMA and provide transparency about DWR's implementation activities.

Key Definition

Communication

Ongoing sharing of information on provisions of the SGMA and its implementation.

Key Messages

The following are some of the key messages that must be commonly understood by all stakeholders:

- Groundwater is best managed at the local or regional level, and strong local/regional governance and strategic planning are essential for success
- The State’s role is to provide assistance to enable local and regional agencies to sustainably manage their water resources, and to intervene if necessary until local sustainable groundwater management plans are developed and implemented
- Strong and effective State agency alignment and coordination are required to support local/regional efforts
- Sustainable groundwater management can only be achieved in the context of regional and statewide water balance, accounting for all sources of supply as well as demands
- It will take decades to fully achieve sustainable water management and a phased approach is necessary, with accountability checks to measure progress.

Communication Tools

In collaboration with the State Water Board, DWR will create a suite of information tools and resources. These include a centralized State groundwater website managed by DWR, as well as DWR and State Water Board websites:

- <http://www.groundwater.ca.gov>
- http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/gmp/
- <http://www.water.ca.gov/groundwater>



DWR’s groundwater website includes information related to subject items in this *Strategic Plan* and links to other relevant websites.

DWR’s groundwater website includes many informational features related to subject items discussed in this *Strategic Plan* and links to other related websites with technical information. The website will be updated regularly.

The DWR groundwater website will outline various project-specific actions and implementation status. DWR will continue to update and maintain its groundwater website. Technical information, data, and reports on DWR’s websites will complement the centralized groundwater website and provide key information specific to SGMA implementation. DWR and SWRCB encourage local and regional agencies to develop their own communications programs to keep water users, stakeholders, and the public informed on implementation of the SGMA.

Outreach

Outreach will be critical to successful implementation of the SGMA. DWR’s *Strategic Plan* outlines an outreach program that will be proactive and interactive with information, ideas, and the opportunity for a two-way exchange. DWR will tailor its outreach efforts to major program functions and milestones, including governance, revisions to groundwater basin boundaries and

required regulations, local agency assistance, and information management. Outreach efforts will recognize the importance of differences from basin to basin.

DWR is committed to maintaining open and accessible pathways of information to provide as much opportunity for engagement as possible. Shared understanding of strengths and weaknesses in groundwater management will help to build a more resilient, interconnected management framework around the State—a key goal of the Administration’s CWAP.

Key Definition

Outreach
Stakeholder/public engagement and interaction in all aspects of implementation.

Outreach Tools

DWR’s outreach program will consider a range of activities, events, and venues for public and stakeholder briefings. Specific meetings organized by DWR will include State agency committees, public stakeholder meetings, one-on-one meetings with interested stakeholders, regional workshops, and topic-specific webinars. DWR also will form groundwater sustainability member advisory panels to cover focused and specific issues. DWR-sponsored public meetings will help ensure public and stakeholder input as implementation unfolds.

Partners

DWR and the SWRCB will work closely to develop clear, consistent information regarding SGMA implementation and enforcement. DWR and SWRCB steering committees have been formed to ensure collaboration, avoid redundancy, and create alignment throughout the implementation process. In addition, DWR has a long-standing direct relationship with the California Water Commission (Commission), which, pursuant to California Water Code Section 161, must approve all DWR rules and regulations. DWR will work closely with the Commission, which meets publicly, as it develops regulations pursuant to the SGMA.

DWR also recognizes the importance of keeping relevant federal agencies and tribal governments informed of its activities and exploring potential involvement in meeting statewide groundwater sustainable goals.

Practitioners Advisory Panel

DWR will establish an advisory panel consisting of practitioners who have experience in managing groundwater or technical experts to help strengthen and improve alignment and collaboration with the State and GSAs, and to provide guidance and support to GSAs and other stakeholders. The panel will be formed to ensure the understanding of complex and detailed issues, coordination, avoidance of redundancy, alignment throughout the implementation process, and successful implementation of the SGMA.

Leveraging Associations, Foundations, and Organizations

DWR will establish effective communication pathways between stakeholder organizations through the implementation of advisory groups to ensure these organizations provide the necessary input into the process, avoid redundancy, and remain in alignment throughout the implementation process.

One-on-One Meetings

DWR will occasionally meet with specific water agency and county officials to ensure specific regional issues are discussed and well understood, and to ensure communication throughout the process.

Workshops and Webinars

DWR will participate in workshops and topic-based webinars as needed.

It is important that there is a shared vision of DWR’s objectives and plans in implementing its Groundwater Sustainability Program. To that end, DWR invites comments to this plan. Please send any comments by June 1, 2015 to: sgmps@water.ca.gov

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The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014

March 25, 2015

Presentation by Joseph Zoba, General Manager
Yucaipa Valley Water District

Why was the Legislation Passed?

- ▶ The Previous Groundwater Management System
 - ▶ Each pumper is limited to proportionate share of the safe yield of the basin
 - ▶ If there is excess pumping, there is an adjudication to quantify each pumper's rights to the safe yield of the basin
 - ▶ Importation of surface water to meet excess demands
 - ▶ Central Valley Project - Westlands Water District
 - ▶ State Water Project - Kern County and Southern California
 - ▶ Colorado River - Southern California
- ▶ The System Breaks Down
 - ▶ Extended Drought
 - ▶ Increased Environmental Demand for Water

Major Components of the Legislation

- ▶ Consistent with a Reduced State Role
- ▶ California Water Plan called for the State (DWR) to provide water throughout California
- ▶ Delta Reform Act calls on each region to be “Self-Sufficient”
- ▶ General Provisions
- ▶ State Policy - Water Code Section 113 - Local Control (as long as it is done in a reasonable manner)

“It is the policy of the state that groundwater resources be managed sustainably for long-term reliability and multiple economic, social, and environmental benefits for current and future beneficial uses. Sustainable groundwater management is best achieved locally through the development, implementation, and updating of plans and programs based on the best available science.”

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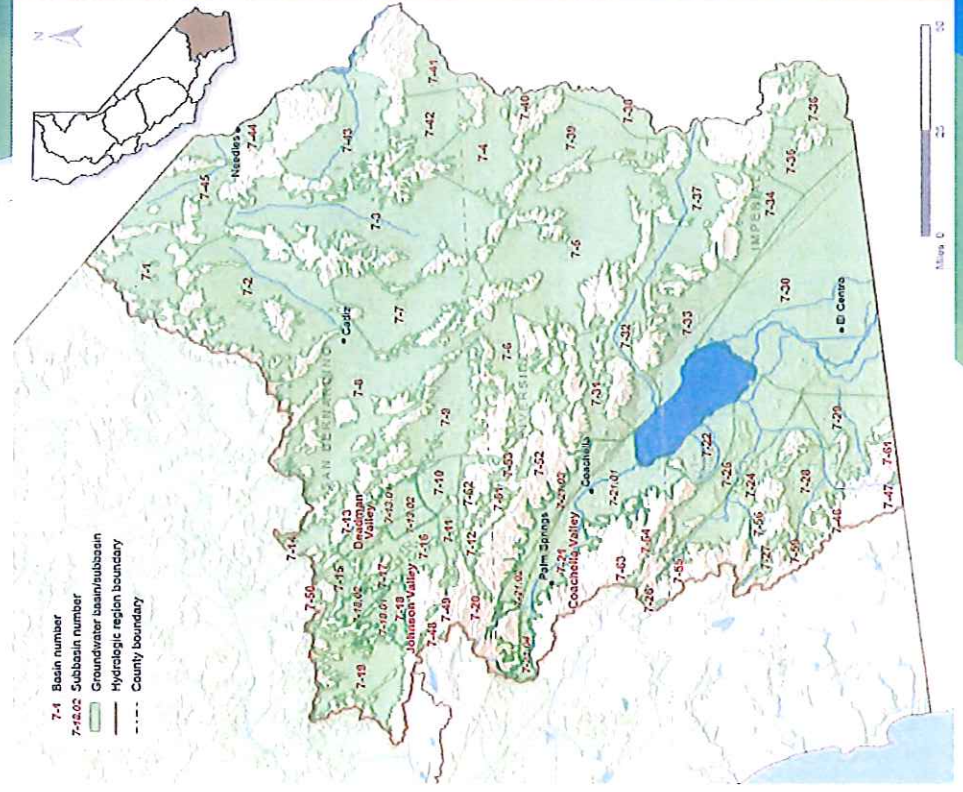
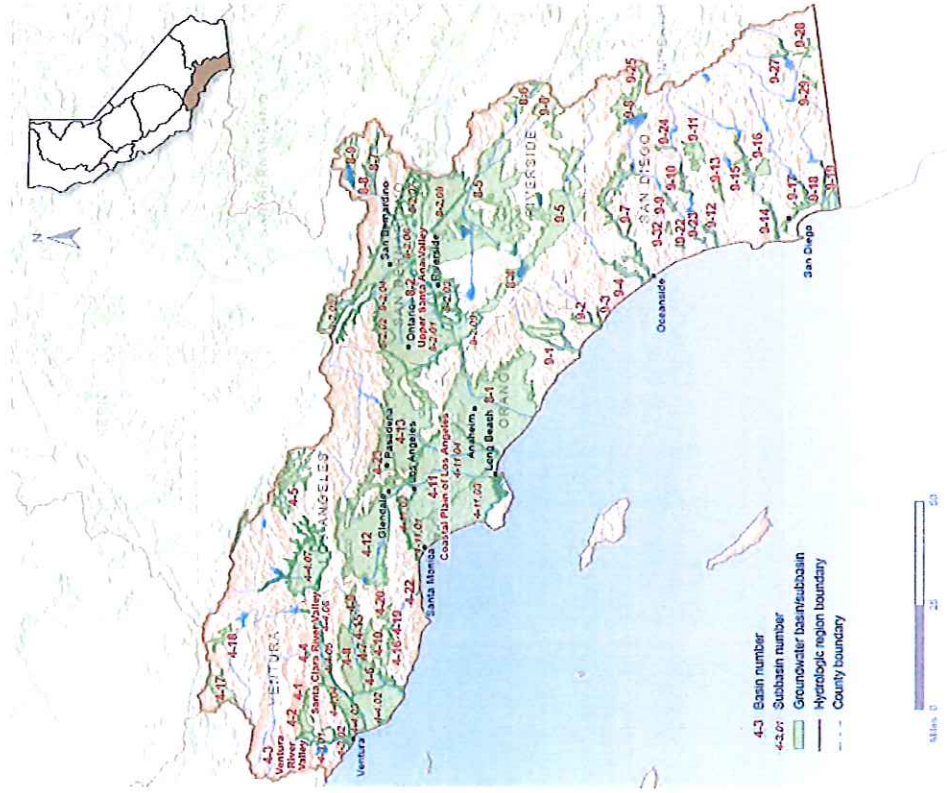
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- ▶ Basin Boundaries
- ▶ Bulletin 118 boundaries are the presumptive boundaries of a groundwater basin



CASGEM BASIN SUMMARY

Basin: UPPER SANTA ANA VALLEY
 Sub_Bas.: YUCAIPA
 Basin Number: 8-2.07
 Date: 5/30/2014

Hydrologic Region: South Coast
 South Region Office (SRO)
 Basin Area: 25410 acres (39.7 miles)
 2010 Population: 65180

Yucaipa Basin

DATA COMPONENT RANKING VALUE TABLE

Data Component	Ranking Range (R)	Units	Ranking Value	Confidence Adjustment	Average of Components	Adjusted Ranking Values
1. Population	$1000 \leq R < 2500$	persons/sq-mi	3			3
2. Population Growth	$0 \leq R < 6$	percent	1			1
3. Public Supply Wells	$0.5 \leq R < 1.0$	wells/sq-mi	4			4
4. Total Wells	$5 \leq R < 10$	wells/sq-mi	3	2.25		2.25
5. Irrigated Acreage	$25 \leq R < 100$	acres/sq-mi	2			2
6. GW Reliance % of Total Supply	$0.25 \leq R < 0.5$	acre-foot/acre	3		3.5	3.5
7. Impacts**	$60 \leq R < 80$	percent	4			5
8. Other Information**	--	--	5			0
Overall Basin Ranking Score	$13.42 \leq R < 13.43$	--	0			20.8

Overall Basin Priority: Medium

Very Low Ranking Range	Low Ranking Range	Medium Ranking Range	High Ranking Range
Range < 5.75	$5.75 \geq \text{Range} < 13.42$	$13.43 \geq \text{Range} < 21.08$	Range ≥ 21.08

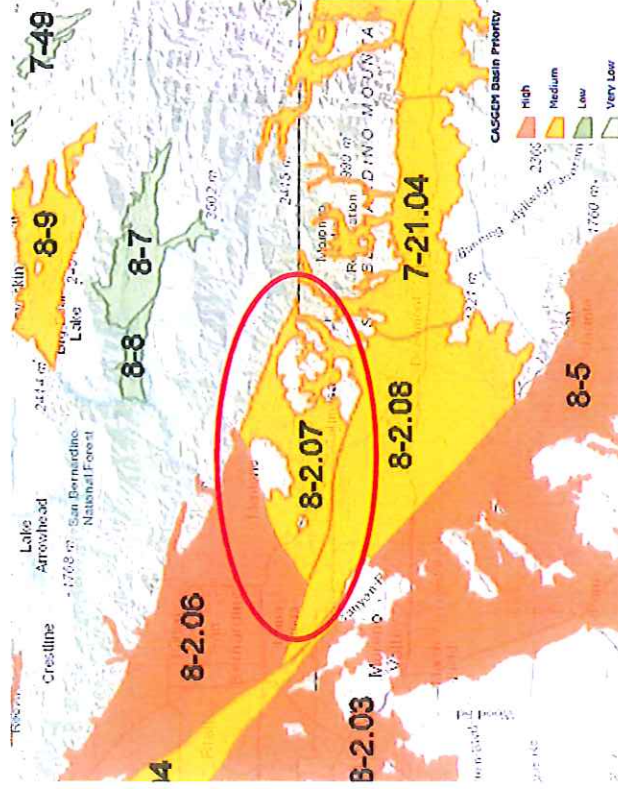
Data Sources and Calculation Notes:

1. Population: Department of Finance 2010 census data.
2. Population Growth: Department of Finance 2010 census data projected to 2030.
3. Public Supply Wells: Department of Public Health, 2012 Drinking Water Supply Database.
4. Total Wells: DWR 2012 Well Master database.
5. Irrigated Acreage: DWR, most recent land use projection and public comment feedback.
6. Groundwater Reliance: DWR, most recent land use projection and public comment feedback.
7. Documented Impacts: DWR Region staff review of DWR Bulletin 118-2003, Groundwater Management Plans, public comment feedback, or other readily available published information.
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9. Data component values were reduced by 25% due to data confidence, prior to calculating total groundwater basin ranking value.
10. Overall Basin Ranking = Population + Population Growth + Public Supply Wells + (Total Wells x .75) + Irrigated Acreage + (Groundwater Use + % of Total Supply)/2 + Impacts + Other information

Notes on UPPER SANTA ANA VALLEY Basin

* Impacts: Overdrafts/Depleted impacts of nitrates and sulfates. (B-118)

**Other Information: None



CASGEM BASIN SUMMARY

Basin: UPPER SANTA ANA VALLEY
 Sub_Basin: SAN TIMOTEO
 Basin Number: 8-2.08
 Date: 5/30/2014

Hydrologic Region: South Coast
 South Region Office (SRO)
 Basin Area: 73541 acres (114.9 miles)
 2010 Population: 54169

San Timoteo Basin

DATA COMPONENT RANKING VALUE TABLE

Data Component	Ranking Range (R)	Units	Ranking Value	Confidence Adjustment	Average of Components	Adjusted Ranking Values
1. Population	250 ≤ R < 1000	persons/sq-mi	2			2
2. Population Growth	R ≥ 40%	percent	5			5
3. Public Supply Wells	0.25 ≤ R < 0.5	wells/sq-mi	3			3
4. Total Wells	2 ≤ R < 5	wells/sq-mi	2	1.5		1.5
5. Irrigated Acreage	1 ≤ R < 25	acres/sq-mi	1			1
6. GW Reliance % of Total Supply	0.03 ≤ R < 0.1	acre-foot/acre	1		2.5	2.5
7. Impacts	60 ≤ R < 80	percent	4			3
8. Other Information**	--	--	3			1
Overall Basin Ranking Score	13.42 ≤ R < 13.43					19.0

Overall Basin Priority: Medium

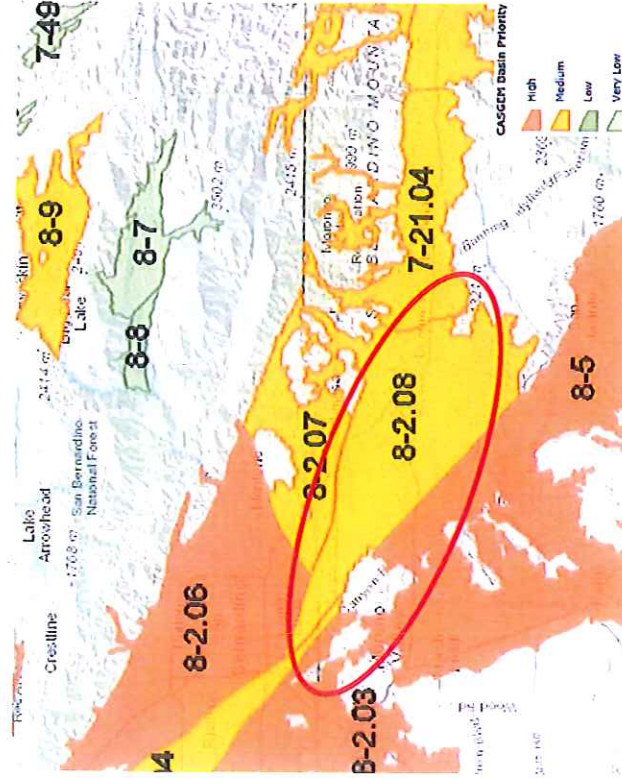
Very Low Ranking Range	Low Ranking Range	Medium Ranking Range	High Ranking Range
Range < 5.75	5.75 ≥ Range < 13.42	13.43 ≥ Range < 21.08	Range ≥ 21.08

Data Sources and Calculation Notes:

1. Population: Department of Finance 2010 census data.
2. Population Growth: Department of Finance 2010 census data projected to 2030.
3. Public Supply Wells: Department of Public Health, 2012 Drinking Water Supply Database.
4. Total Wells: DWR 2012 Well Master database.
5. Irrigated Acreage: DWR, most recent land use projection and public comment feedback.
6. Groundwater Reliance: DWR, most recent land use projection and public comment feedback.
7. Documented Impacts: DWR Region staff review of DWR Bulletin 118-2003, Groundwater Management Plans, public comment feedback, or other readily available published information.
8. Other Information: DWR Region staff review of DWR Bulletin 118-2003, Groundwater Management Plans, public comment feedback, or other readily available published information.
9. Data component values were reduced by 25% due to data confidence, prior to calculating total groundwater basin ranking value.
10. Overall Basin Ranking = Population + Population Growth + Public Supply Wells + (Total Wells x .75) + Irrigated Acreage + (Groundwater Use + % of Total Supply)/2 + Impacts + Other information

Notes on UPPER SANTA ANA VALLEY Basin

- * Impacts: Locally high nitrates and salinity (B-118). GAMA reported upper basin water quality issues.
- **Other Information: Parts of the subbasin are adjudicated.



CASGEM BASIN SUMMARY

Basin: COACI A VALLEY
 Sub_Basin: SAN GORONIO PASS
 Basin Number: 7-21.04
 Date: 5/30/2014

Hydrologic Region: Colorado River
 South Region Office (SRO)
 Basin Area: 38823 acres (60.7 miles)
 2010 Population: 29540

San Gorgonio Pass Basin

DATA COMPONENT RANKING VALUE TABLE

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2. Population Growth	R ≥ 40%	percent	5			5
3. Public Supply Wells	0.25 ≤ R < 0.5	wells/sq-mi	3			3
4. Total Wells	0 < R < 2	wells/sq-mi	1	0.75		0.75
5. Irrigated Acreage	1 ≤ R < 25	acres/sq-mi	1			1
6. GW Use	0.25 ≤ R < 0.5	acre-foot/acre	3		4	4
Reliance % of Total Supply	R ≥ 80%	percent	5			4
7. Impacts	--	--	2			2
8. Other Information**	--	--	1			1
Overall Basin Ranking Score	13.42 ≤ R <					18.8

Overall Basin Priority: Medium

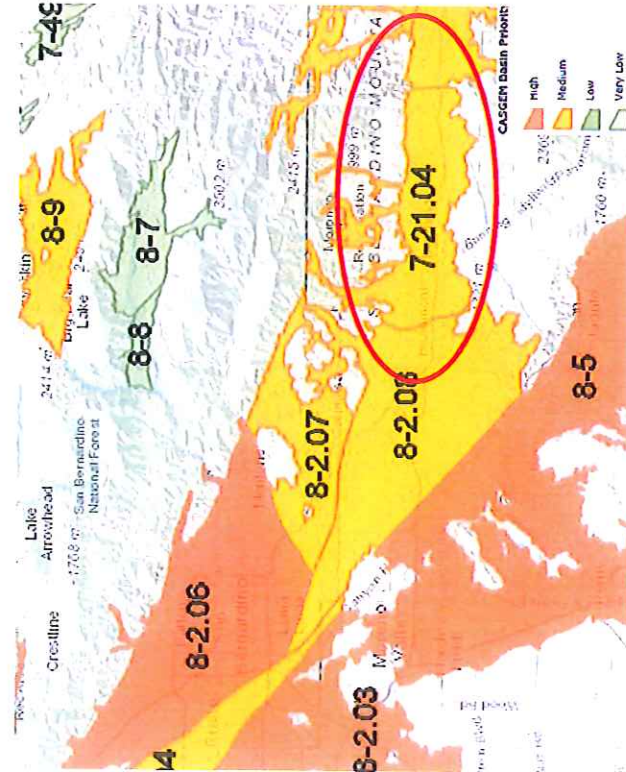
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Notes on COACHELLA VALLEY BASIN

- * Impacts: Basin is in overdraft.
- ** Other Information: Basin is adjudicated.



Major Components of the Legislation

- ▶ Groundwater Sustainability Plans
 - ▶ Supplement to other authorities
- ▶ Procedural Requirements
 - ▶ Validation of Groundwater Sustainability Plans
 - ▶ Groundwater Sustainability Plans apply to public agencies (including the State)
 - ▶ Timing
 - ▶ For overdrafted basins - by 2020
 - ▶ For other high/medium priority basins - by 2022
- ▶ Advisory Committee
- ▶ Annual reporting and periodic (5-year) updates
- ▶ CEQA exemption (plan development only)
- ▶ Substantive Requirements
 - ▶ No determination of water rights
 - ▶ Must be consistent with general plans
 - ▶ Physical setting of basin and its characteristics
 - ▶ Measurable objectives to attain sustainability within 20 years
- ▶ Monitoring and mitigation plans

Major Components of the Legislation

- ▶ DWR Evaluation of GSPs
- ▶ DWR to review plans to determine whether the plan conforms to the substantive requirements and "is likely to achieve the sustainability goal."
- ▶ DWR *does not* approve plans; it evaluates/assesses them
- ▶ DWR must post plans on its website
- ▶ Agencies may submit alternative proposals for groundwater management to DWR, not later than January 1, 2017

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Local Ordinances

Counties and cities have constitutional police power to regulate the use of groundwater. Virtually all local jurisdictions regulate well permitting. In the early 1990s some counties began to pass local groundwater ordinances primarily designed to discourage transferring groundwater from one county to a user in another county – a practice that became controversial during the 1987-1992 drought. More recently a few counties, such as San Luis Obispo, are using their authorities to manage groundwater use through limitations on well permits. According to DWR, 30 of the state's 58 counties have adopted groundwater ordinances.

The power of counties to regulate groundwater has been challenged, but in 1995 the California Supreme Court declined to review an appeal of a lower court decision, upholding the authority for such local ordinances through county's existing police powers.

Groundwater Adjudication

When multiple parties withdraw water from the same aquifer, groundwater pumpers can ask the court to adjudicate, or hear arguments for and against, to better define the rights that various entities or individuals have to use the groundwater resources. Pumpers are assigned a designated share of the basin's water resources, and watermasters are typically appointed by the court to ensure that pumping conforms to the limits defined by the adjudication. Litigation, however, is time-consuming and costly, in part because of the multiple factual questions that must be addressed, including the identity of the pumpers, the respective amounts of historical production, the boundaries of the groundwater basin, and the history of the basin's hydrogeologic status to determine, among other things, when overdraft began. Many adjudications have taken decades to complete.

Adjudicated Basins

DWR recognizes 22 adjudicated basins. Most of the adjudications have been in Southern California, where development pressures – and groundwater overdraft – quickly overwhelmed limited aquifers. They are: Beaumont Basin (2004), Brite Basin (1970), Central Basin (1965), Chino Basin (1978), Cucamonga Basin (1978), Cummings Basin (1972), Goleta Basin (1989), Main San Gabriel Basin (1973), Mojave Basin Area (1996), Puente Basin (1985), Raymond Basin (1944), Santa Margarita River Watershed (1966), Santa Maria Valley Basin (2008), Santa Paula Basin (1996), Scott River System (1980), Seaside Basin (2006), Six Basins (1998), Tehachapi Basin (1973), Upper Los Angeles River Area (1979), Warren Valley Basin (1977), West Coast Basin (1961) and Western San Bernardino (1969).

The SGMA includes four other basins on its list of adjudicated basins. They are: Lytle Basin, Rialto-Colton Basin, Riverside Basin and San Jacinto Basin. Three other basins in which court processes are underway are also identified in the Act that they will be "treated as an adjudicated basin...if the superior court issues a final judgment, order or decree." They comprise the Antelope Valley cases, Inyo County Case No. 12908 and the Los Osos Groundwater Basin.

Acronyms

AB	Assembly Bill
CASGEM	California Statewide Groundwater Elevation Monitoring
DWR	California Department of Water Resources
GSA	Groundwater Sustainability Agency
GSP	Groundwater Sustainability Plan
SB	Senate Bill
SGMA	Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014
State Water Board	State Water Resources Control Board
Water Code	California Water Code

Groundwater Rights

Primarily, landowners in California are entitled to pump and use a reasonable amount of groundwater from a basin underlying their land to put it to a beneficial, nonwasteful use. When there is insufficient water to meet the demands of landowners, they are expected to reduce their use to bring extractions into the "safe yield" of the basin to prevent overdraft. Safe yield is the rate at which groundwater can be withdrawn without causing long-term decline of water levels or other undesirable effects such as subsidence.

Disputes stemming from overdraft and efforts to confine pumping to the basin's safe yield were the underlying factors of most of the court-adjudicated groundwater basins. Once the groundwater basin has been adjudicated, a court can assign specific pumping extractions to each groundwater user or group of users.

The SGMA is designed to address issues related to both overdraft and safe yield, but does not change existing groundwater rights. Specifically, Water Code section 10720.5(b) says that nothing in the legislation "determines or alters surface water rights or groundwater rights under common law or any provisions of law that determines or grants surface water rights."

While there is some concern the SGMA will undermine the authority of the local agencies or private property owners, the mandate of the Act is to first provide authority and control at the *local level* to develop and implement GSPs, and that only if local entities fail to do so would the state step in. Additionally, there was never an unfettered right for private property owners to pump as much water as one could – the Constitution has always mandated that it be put to beneficial use.

What Does a GSA Do?

A GSA is the primary agency responsible for achieving groundwater sustainability. A GSA is required to develop and implement a GSP that considers the interests of all beneficial uses and users of groundwater for high- and medium-priority basins. The SGMA allows a basin to have one or multiple GSPs, but requires development of a coordination agreement between GSAs if there are multiple GSPs.

The plan must include measurable objectives for the basin to achieve sustainability in the 20-year timeframe. The GSP also must include a physical description of the basin, including groundwater levels, quality, subsidence and groundwater-surface water interaction. DWR will review the plans and will have the power to request changes to a submitted plan. DWR must adopt regulations for how it is going to evaluate GSPs by June 1, 2016. GSAs will have until 2020 or 2022 to adopt a GSP, depending on whether the basin is in critical overdraft.

What Basins are in Critical Overdraft?

Basins identified in Bulletin 118 as being "critically overdrafted" are supposed to adopt a management plan by 2020. Those that are not considered "critically overdrafted" have until 2022 to adopt a GSP.

When Bulletin 118 was first published in 1978 the definition for critical overdraft was: a basin is subject to critical conditions of overdraft when continuation of present water management practices would probably result in significant adverse overdraft-related environmental, social or economic impacts.

According to the 2003 update of Bulletin 118, "This update did not include similar direction from the Legislature, nor funding to undertake evaluation of the State's groundwater basins to determine whether they are in a state of overdraft." DWR officials are now evaluating how to determine overdraft in relation to the SGMA.

Meanwhile, the 11 basins originally identified in Bulletin 118 are: Chowchilla Basin, Cuyama Valley Basin, Eastern San Joaquin County Basin, Kaweah Basin, Kern County Basin, Kings Basin, Madera Basin, Pajaro Basin, Tulare Lake Basin, Tule Basin and Ventura Central Basin.

The SGMA gives GSAs numerous new tools and authorities to manage the groundwater and implement the objectives of the GSP. These include the authority to conduct investigations, determine the sustainable yield of a groundwater basin, measure and limit extraction, impose fees for groundwater management, and enforce the terms of a GSP. These authorities can be implemented by one or multiple GSAs. What authorities each GSA assumes will be one of the key decisions in forming a GSA.

The SGMA amends state planning and zoning law to require increased coordination between land use planning agencies and GSAs.

and management of a GSP. Data collection and management would fit within one model, relying on standard personnel and computer software.

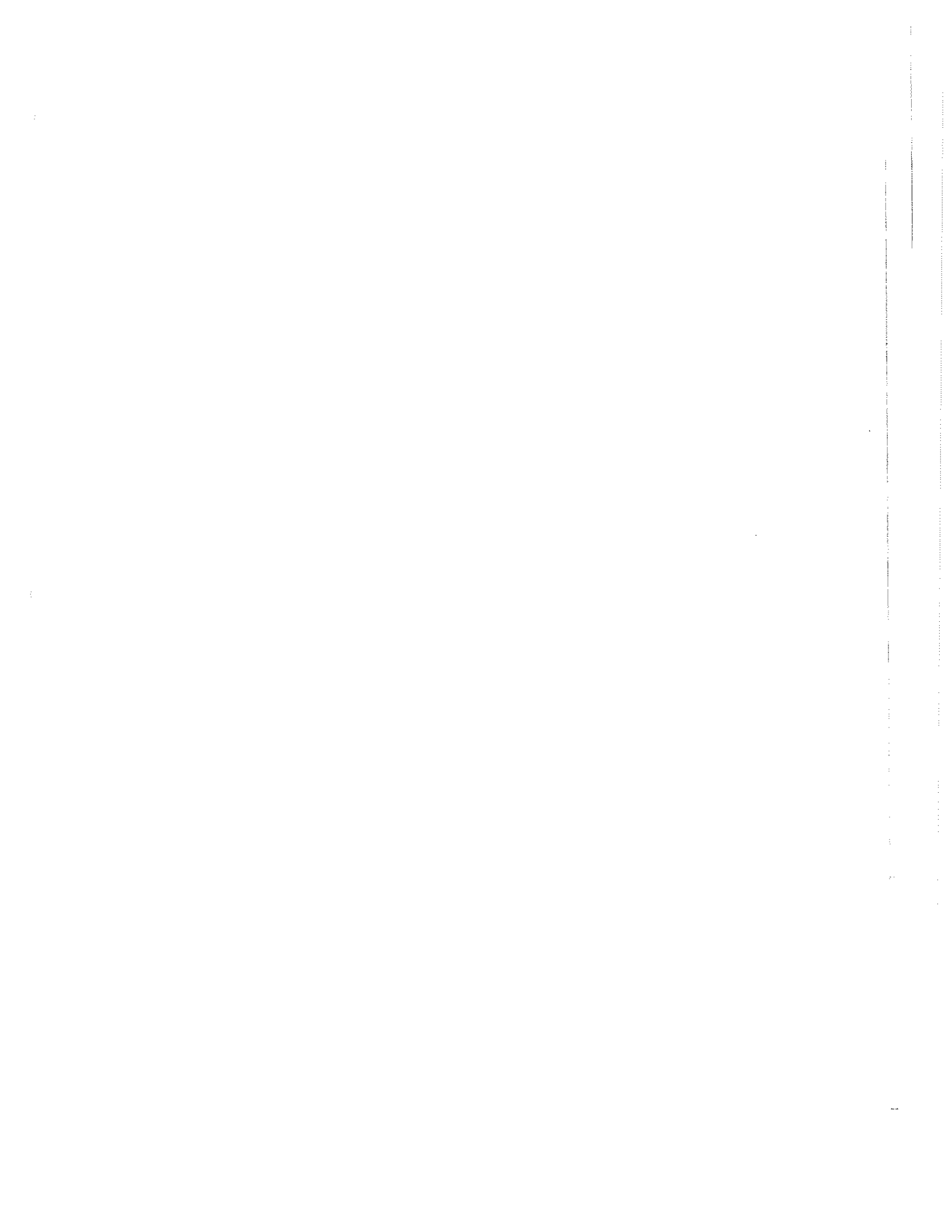
However, there are downsides to a centralized agency model. Pursuing special legislation is time consuming and success is not predictable. Also existing agencies in many basins will be concerned about delegating all authority to one entity if it results in a local agency having less responsibility for groundwater management in its current service area. It also might be difficult for one agency to take on the task of developing a plan to manage a multi-use, multi-jurisdictional groundwater basin. Even if one agency were determined to be the GSA, it still would require collaboration among other agencies/entities in the basin to create the GSP.

Distributed Governance

A distributed model would allow for the establishment of several GSAs covering the basin with the authorities for planning, implementation and monitoring all distributed among each GSA. This would allow many existing local agencies to retain existing authorities and assume new authorities for groundwater management in their existing service area and allow for more localized control. This option would require significant coordination among all the entities because each GSA would be developing its own GSP, implementing its GSP and monitoring its portion of the basin to ensure the basin as a whole meets the goal of sustainable yield. In the areas of the basin where a local agency does not assume the GSA responsibilities, the county would be the GSA, unless it opts out of this responsibility.



- Each GSA assumes all responsibilities for their service area
- Coordination Agreement required (MOU)



boundaries of an existing water agency. They will most likely need their parcel number, sometimes called the Assessor's Parcel Number or APN.

Find information here:

<http://www.water.ca.gov/cagroundwater>

Find counties listed by hydrologic regions here: www.water.ca.gov/landwateruse/images/maps/California-County.pdf

Find local water districts by county here: www.acwa.com/content/locate-your-california-water-agency

3) Understand your basin conditions and resources in the region

Collect and share all existing information regarding the groundwater basin with the local agencies and interested stakeholders in your basin. This will help you establish the current level of expertise, information and resources available in the basin for groundwater management. Understanding the basin and the current level of groundwater use, the status of long term overdraft or other potential problems will be a key factor in deciding what type of GSA, and authorities and geographic boundaries can best address the problems.

Find out if groundwater management plans already exist. Many local agencies have already developed plans under the requirements of AB 3030 or SB 1938 that have information on basin conditions and current water management strategies.

Current plans are likely to form the foundation for many GSPs. And in some cases a local agency may determine its current plan meets the objective of the act and could be submitted as an alternative – potentially avoiding the creation of a GSA and new plan altogether.

Information is available on the DWR website:

<http://www.water.ca.gov/cagroundwater>

Local water agencies or other local entities may have groundwater models that can assist in understanding how the basin responds to various conditions of pumping and rainfall. The state can also assist in determining what resources exist in the basin. The DWR groundwater website:

<http://www.water.ca.gov/groundwater> offers extensive information.

DWR also has regional offices, where one staff person is assigned as a groundwater contact point:

<http://www.water.ca.gov/groundwater/contacts.cfm>

State or private universities in your region may offer experts on different aspects of water supply and water quality issues, hydrology, geology, engineering and other studies that relate to groundwater. One resource is the UC Cooperative Extension Groundwater Program at UC Davis:

<http://groundwater.ucdavis.edu>

Nongovernmental agencies that could provide useful information include the

➤ Association of California Water Agencies www.acwa.com

➤ Groundwater Resources Association of California: <http://www.grac.org>

- **Implementation** – This includes the actions and strategies identified in the GSP to achieve sustainability and may include imposition of new fees on pumping, measurement of use at individual wells, investment in water management strategies such as water conservation, conjunctive use or new recharge facilities, or limits on new well permits issued by the county.
- **Enforcement** – A GSA will need to enforce the provisions adopted which may include payment of fees, reporting on water use, or limitations on pumping.

6) Determine which model of governance works best for your region

The SGMA allows local agencies choose their local governance structure. Local agencies can determine if a centralized, distributed or combination model works best for them. Meet with local agencies and discuss all the authorities and requirements under the SGMA and determine which fit best with existing agencies, or whether a new agency needs to be formed to handle all or portions of the GSA. There are multiple legal mechanisms available to coordinate among agencies or to form a GSA. A Memorandum of Agreement (MOU) can be used to support coordination among multiple GSAs. To assume the new authorities of a GSA, a region can form a Joint Powers Agency (JPA) involving some or all of the existing local agencies in the basin. Or a new special act district can be formed through state legislation. Finally existing agencies such as cities, counties, or water agencies can elect to be the GSA covering all or part of the basin.



Why fresh water shortages will cause the next great global crisis

Last week drought in São Paulo was so bad, residents tried drilling through basement floors for groundwater. As reservoirs dry up across the world, a billion people have no access to safe drinking water. Rationing and a battle to control supplies will follow

Robin McKie, science editor

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Water is the driving force of all nature, Leonardo da Vinci claimed. Unfortunately for our planet, supplies are now running dry - at an alarming rate. The world's population continues to soar but that rise in numbers has not been matched by an accompanying increase in supplies of fresh water.

The consequences are proving to be profound. Across the globe, reports reveal huge areas in crisis today as reservoirs and aquifers dry up. More than a billion individuals - one in seven people on the planet - now lack access to safe drinking water.

Last week in the Brazilian city of São Paulo, home to 20 million people, and once known as the City of Drizzle, drought got so bad that residents began drilling through basement floors and car parks to try to reach groundwater. City officials warned last week that rationing of supplies was likely soon. Citizens might have access to water for only two days a week, they added.

In California, officials have revealed that the state has entered its fourth year of drought with January this year becoming the driest since meteorological records began. At the same time, per capita water use has continued to rise.

In the Middle East, swaths of countryside have been reduced to desert because of overuse of water. Iran is one of the most severely affected. Heavy overconsumption, coupled with poor rainfall, have ravaged its water resources and devastated its agricultural output. Similarly, the United Arab Emirates is now investing in desalination plants and waste water treatment units because it lacks fresh water. As crown prince General Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed al-Nahyan admitted: "For us, water is [now] more important than oil."

The global nature of the crisis is underlined in similar reports from other regions. In south Asia, for example, there have been massive losses of groundwater, which has been pumped up with reckless lack of control over the past decade. About 600 million people live on the 2,000 sq km

area that extends from eastern Pakistan, across the hot dry plains of northern India and into Bangladesh, and the land is the most intensely irrigated in the world. Up to 75% of farmers rely on pumped groundwater to water their crops and water use is intensifying - at the same time that satellite images shows supplies are shrinking alarmingly.

The nature of the problem is revealed by US Geological Survey figures, which show that the total amount of fresh water on Earth comes to about 10.6m cubic km. Combined into a single droplet, this would produce a sphere with a diameter of about 272 km. However, 99% of that sphere would be made up of groundwater, much of which is not accessible. By contrast, the total volume from lakes and rivers, humanity's main source of fresh water, produces a sphere that is a mere 56 km in diameter. That little blue droplet sustains most of the people on Earth - and it is under increasing assault as the planet heats up.

Changing precipitation and melting snow and ice are already altering hydrological systems in many regions. Glaciers continue to shrink worldwide, affecting villages and towns downstream. The result, says the Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change, is that the fraction of global population experiencing water scarcity is destined to increase throughout the 21st century. More and more, people and nations will have to compete for resources. An international dispute between Egypt and Ethiopia over the latter's plans to dam the Nile has only recently been resolved. In future, far more serious conflicts are likely to erupt as the planet dries up. Even in high latitudes, the one region on Earth where rainfall is likely to intensify in coming years, climate change will still reduce water quality and pose risks due to a number of factors: rising temperatures; increased levels of sediments, nutrients, and pollutants triggered by heavy rainfall; and disruption of treatment facilities during floods. The world faces a water crisis that will touch every part of the globe, a point that has been stressed by Jean Chrétien, former Canadian prime minister and co-chair of the InterAction Council. "The future political impact of water scarcity may be devastating," he said. "Using water the way we have in the past simply will not sustain humanity in future."

. This article was amended on 12 March 2015 to convert certain measures from miles into kilometres.

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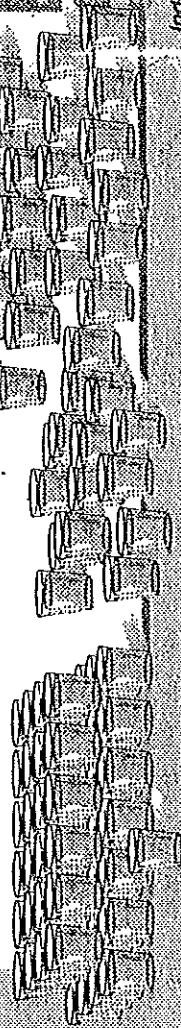
How much water is there on Earth?

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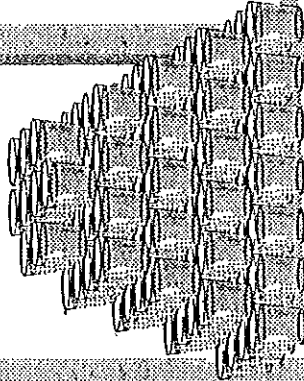
The four oceans in the world — bodies of salt water — are the Pacific Ocean, Atlantic Ocean, Indian Ocean and Arctic Ocean. Those divisions are ones drawn up by people; the water from each ocean is not a separate body of water. Many scientists no longer separate the Arctic Ocean, the waters at the northern point of the Earth.

Figuring up the fresh water

100 cups of water represent all of the water on Earth.



97 cups of water represent the world's salt water.



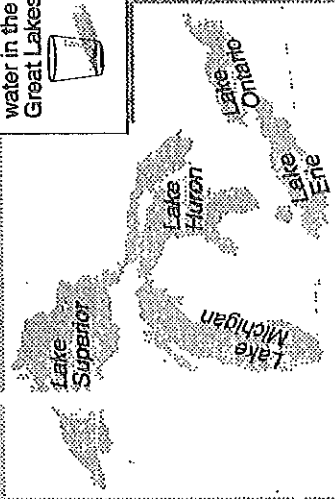
2 cups of ice cubes represent the world's frozen fresh water.



1 cup of water represents the world's liquid fresh water.



1/5 of a cup of water represents all the fresh water in the Great Lakes.



Definitions

Section 10721.

(j) “Groundwater sustainability agency” means one or more local agencies that implement the provisions of this part. For purposes of imposing fees pursuant to Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 10730) or taking action to enforce a groundwater sustainability plan, “groundwater sustainability agency” also means each local agency comprising the groundwater sustainability agency if the plan authorizes separate agency action.

(k) “Groundwater sustainability plan” or “plan” means a plan of a groundwater sustainability agency proposed or adopted pursuant to this part.

Ground Water Sustainability Plans: Timing

Section 10720.7.

(a) (1) By January 31, 2020, all basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins by the department that have been designated in Bulletin 118, as may be updated or revised on or before January 1, 2017, as basins that are subject to critical conditions of overdraft shall be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans pursuant to this part.

(2) By January 31, 2022, all basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins by the department that are not subject to paragraph (1) shall be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans pursuant to this part.

(b) The Legislature encourages and authorizes basins designated as low- and very low priority basins by the department to be managed under groundwater sustainability plans pursuant to this part. Chapter 11 (commencing with Section 10735) does not apply to a basin designated as a low- or very low priority basin.

Groundwater Sustainability Plans: Content

Section 10727.2.

A groundwater sustainability plan shall include all of the following:

(a) A description of the physical setting and characteristics of the aquifer system underlying the basin that includes the following:

(1) Historical data, to the extent available.

(2) Groundwater levels, groundwater quality, subsidence, and groundwater-surface water interaction.

(3) A general discussion of historical and projected water demands and supplies.

(4) A map that details the area of the basin and the boundaries of the groundwater sustainability agencies that overlie the basin that have or are developing groundwater sustainability plans.

(5) A map identifying existing and potential recharge areas for the basin. The map or maps shall identify the existing recharge areas that substantially contribute to the replenishment of the groundwater basin. The map or maps shall be provided to the appropriate local planning agencies after adoption of the groundwater sustainability plan.

- (b) (1) Measurable objectives, as well as interim milestones in increments of five years, to achieve the sustainability goal in the basin within 20 years of the implementation of the plan.
- (2) A description of how the plan helps meet each objective and how each objective is intended to achieve the sustainability goal for the basin for long-term beneficial uses of groundwater.
- (3) (A) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), at the request of the groundwater sustainability agency, the department may grant an extension of up to 5 years beyond the 20-year sustainability timeframe upon a showing of good cause. The department may grant a second extension of up to five years upon a showing of good cause if the groundwater sustainability agency has begun implementation of the work plan described in clause (iii) of subparagraph (B).
- (B) The department may grant an extension pursuant to this paragraph if the groundwater sustainability agency does all of the following:
- (i) Demonstrates a need for an extension.
- (ii) Has made progress toward meeting the sustainability goal as demonstrated by its progress at achieving the milestones identified in its groundwater sustainability plan.
- (iii) Adopts a feasible work plan for meeting the sustainability goal during the extension period.
- (4) The plan may, but is not required to, address undesirable results that occurred before, and have not been corrected by, January 1, 2015. Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) to (3), inclusive, a groundwater sustainability agency has discretion as to whether to set measurable objectives and the timeframes for achieving any objectives for undesirable results that occurred before, and have not been corrected by, January 1, 2015.
- (c) A planning and implementation horizon.
- (d) Components relating to the following, as applicable to the basin:
- (1) The monitoring and management of groundwater levels within the basin.
- (2) The monitoring and management of groundwater quality, groundwater quality degradation, inelastic land surface subsidence, and changes in surface flow and surface water quality that directly affect groundwater levels or quality or are caused by groundwater extraction in the basin.
- (3) Mitigation of overdraft.
- (4) How recharge areas identified in the plan substantially contribute to the replenishment of the basin.
- (5) A description of surface water supply used or available for use for groundwater recharge or in-lieu use.
- (e) A summary of the type of monitoring sites, type of measurements, and the frequency of monitoring for each location monitoring groundwater levels, groundwater quality, subsidence, streamflow, precipitation, evaporation, and tidal influence. The plan shall include a summary of monitoring information such as well depth, screened intervals, and aquifer zones monitored, and a summary of the type of well relied on for the information, including public, irrigation, domestic, industrial, and monitoring wells.
- (f) Monitoring protocols that are designed to detect changes in groundwater levels, groundwater quality, inelastic surface subsidence for basins for which subsidence has been identified as a potential problem, and flow and quality of surface water that directly affect groundwater levels or quality or are caused by groundwater extraction in the basin. The monitoring protocols shall be designed to generate information that promotes efficient and effective groundwater management.

(g) A description of the consideration given to the applicable county and city general plans and a description of the various adopted water resources-related plans and programs within the basin and an assessment of how the groundwater sustainability plan may affect those plans.

Section 10727.4.

In addition to the requirements of Section 10727.2, a groundwater sustainability plan shall include, where appropriate and in collaboration with the appropriate local agencies, all of the following:

- (a) Control of saline water intrusion.
- (b) Wellhead protection areas and recharge areas.
- (c) Migration of contaminated groundwater.
- (d) A well abandonment and well destruction program.
- (e) Replenishment of groundwater extractions.
- (f) Activities implementing, opportunities for, and removing impediments to, conjunctive use or underground storage.
- (g) Well construction policies.
- (h) Measures addressing groundwater contamination cleanup, recharge, diversions to storage, conservation, water recycling, conveyance, and extraction projects.
- (i) Efficient water management practices, as defined in Section 10902, for the delivery of water and water conservation methods to improve the efficiency of water use.
- (j) Efforts to develop relationships with state and federal regulatory agencies.
- (k) Processes to review land use plans and efforts to coordinate with land use planning agencies to assess activities that potentially create risks to groundwater quality or quantity.
- (l) Impacts on groundwater dependent ecosystems.

Groundwater Sustainability Agency: Powers and Authorities

Section 10725.

- (a) A groundwater sustainability agency may exercise any of the powers described in this chapter in implementing this part, in addition to, and not as a limitation on, any existing authority, if the groundwater sustainability agency adopts and submits to the department a groundwater sustainability plan or prescribed alternative documentation in accordance with Section 10733.6.
- (b) A groundwater sustainability agency has and may use the powers in this chapter to provide the maximum degree of local control and flexibility consistent with the sustainability goals of this part.

Section 10725.2.

- (a) A groundwater sustainability agency may perform any act necessary or proper to carry out the purposes of this part.
- (b) A groundwater sustainability agency may adopt rules, regulations, ordinances, and resolutions for the purpose of this part, in compliance with any procedural requirements applicable to the adoption of a rule, regulation, ordinance, or resolution by the groundwater sustainability agency.
- (c) In addition to any other applicable procedural requirements, the groundwater sustainability agency shall provide notice of the proposed adoption of the groundwater sustainability plan on

its Internet Web site and provide for electronic notice to any person who requests electronic notification.

Section 10725.4.

(a) A groundwater sustainability agency may conduct an investigation for the purposes of this part, including, but not limited to, investigations for the following:

- (1) To determine the need for groundwater management.
- (2) To prepare and adopt a groundwater sustainability plan and implementing rules and regulations.
- (3) To propose and update fees.
- (4) To monitor compliance and enforcement.

(b) An investigation may include surface waters and surface water rights as well as groundwater and groundwater rights.

(c) In connection with an investigation, a groundwater sustainability agency may inspect the property or facilities of a person or entity to ascertain whether the purposes of this part are being met and compliance with this part. The local agency may conduct an inspection pursuant to this section upon obtaining any necessary consent or obtaining an inspection warrant pursuant to the procedure set forth in Title 13 (commencing with Section 1822.50) of Part 3 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

Section 10725.6.

A groundwater sustainability agency may require registration of a groundwater extraction facility within the management area of the groundwater sustainability agency.

Section 10725.8.

(a) A groundwater sustainability agency may require through its groundwater sustainability plan that the use of every groundwater extraction facility within the management area of the groundwater sustainability agency be measured by a water-measuring device satisfactory to the groundwater sustainability agency.

(b) All costs associated with the purchase and installation of the water-measuring device shall be borne by the owner or operator of each groundwater extraction facility. The water measuring devices shall be installed by the groundwater sustainability agency or, at the groundwater sustainability agency's option, by the owner or operator of the groundwater extraction facility. Water-measuring devices shall be calibrated on a reasonable schedule as may be determined by the groundwater sustainability agency.

(c) A groundwater sustainability agency may require, through its groundwater sustainability plan, that the owner or operator of a groundwater extraction facility within the groundwater sustainability agency file an annual statement with the groundwater sustainability agency setting forth the total extraction in acre-feet of groundwater from the facility during the previous water year.

(d) In addition to the measurement of groundwater extractions pursuant to subdivision (a), a groundwater sustainability agency may use any other reasonable method to determine groundwater extraction.

(e) This section does not apply to de minimis extractors.

Section 10726.

An entity within the area of a groundwater sustainability plan shall report the diversion of surface water to underground storage to the groundwater sustainability agency for the relevant portion of the basin.

Section 10726.2.

A groundwater sustainability agency may do the following:

- (a) Acquire by grant, purchase, lease, gift, devise, contract, construction, or otherwise, and hold, use, enjoy, sell, let, and dispose of, real and personal property of every kind, including lands, water rights, structures, buildings, rights-of-way, easements, and privileges, and construct, maintain, alter, and operate any and all works or improvements, within or outside the agency, necessary or proper to carry out any of the purposes of this part.
- (b) Appropriate and acquire surface water or groundwater and surface water or groundwater rights, import surface water or groundwater into the agency, and conserve and store within or outside the agency that water for any purpose necessary or proper to carry out the provisions of this part, including, but not limited to, the spreading, storing, retaining, or percolating into the soil of the waters for subsequent use or in a manner consistent with the provisions of Section 10727.2. As part of this authority, the agency shall not alter another person's or agency's existing groundwater conjunctive use or storage program except upon a finding that the conjunctive use or storage program interferes with implementation of the agency's groundwater sustainability plan.
- (c) Provide for a program of voluntary fallowing of agricultural lands or validate an existing program.
- (d) Perform any acts necessary or proper to enable the agency to purchase, transfer, deliver, or exchange water or water rights of any type with any person that may be necessary or proper to carry out any of the purposes of this part, including, but not limited to, providing surface water in exchange for a groundwater extractor's agreement to reduce or cease groundwater extractions. The agency shall not deliver retail water supplies within the service area of a public water system without either the consent of that system or authority under the agency's existing authorities.
- (e) Transport, reclaim, purify, desalinate, treat, or otherwise manage and control polluted water, wastewater, or other waters for subsequent use in a manner that is necessary or proper to carry out the purposes of this part.
- (f) Commence, maintain, intervene in, defend, compromise, and assume the cost and expenses of any and all actions and proceedings.

Section 10726.4.

(a) A groundwater sustainability agency shall have the following additional authority and may regulate groundwater extraction using that authority:

- (1) To impose spacing requirements on new groundwater well construction to minimize well interference and impose reasonable operating regulations on existing groundwater wells to minimize well interference, including requiring extractors to operate on a rotation basis.
- (2) To control groundwater extractions by regulating, limiting, or suspending extractions from individual groundwater wells or extractions from groundwater wells in the aggregate, construction of new groundwater wells, enlargement of existing groundwater wells, or reactivation of abandoned groundwater wells, or otherwise establishing groundwater extraction allocations. Those actions shall be consistent with the applicable elements of the city or county general plan, unless there is insufficient sustainable yield in the basin to serve a land use

designated in the city or county general plan. A limitation on extractions by a groundwater sustainability agency shall not be construed to be a final determination of rights to extract groundwater from the basin or any portion of the basin.

(3) To authorize temporary and permanent transfers of groundwater extraction allocations within the agency's boundaries, if the total quantity of groundwater extracted in any water year is consistent with the provisions of the groundwater sustainability plan. The transfer is subject to applicable city and county ordinances.

(4) To establish accounting rules to allow unused groundwater extraction allocations issued by the agency to be carried over from one year to another and voluntarily transferred, if the total quantity of groundwater extracted in any five-year period is consistent with the provisions of the groundwater sustainability plan.

(b) This section does not authorize a groundwater sustainability agency to issue permits for the construction, modification, or abandonment of groundwater wells, except as authorized by a county with authority to issue those permits. A groundwater sustainability agency may request of the county, and the county shall consider, that the county forward permit requests for the construction of new groundwater wells, the enlarging of existing groundwater wells, and the reactivation of abandoned groundwater wells to the groundwater sustainability agency before permit approval.

Section 10726.6.

(a) A groundwater sustainability agency that adopts a groundwater sustainability plan may file an action to determine the validity of the plan pursuant to Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 860) of Title 10 of Part 2 of the Code of Civil Procedure no sooner than 180 days following the adoption of the plan.

(b) Subject to Sections 394 and 397 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the venue for an action pursuant to this section shall be the county in which the principal office of the groundwater management agency is located.

(c) Any judicial action or proceeding to attack, review, set aside, void, or annul the ordinance or resolution imposing a new, or increasing an existing, fee imposed pursuant to Section 10730, 10730.2, or 10730.4 shall be commenced within 180 days following the adoption of the ordinance or resolution.

(d) Any person may pay a fee imposed pursuant to Section 10730, 10730.2, or 10730.4 under protest and bring an action against the governing body in the superior court to recover any money that the governing body refuses to refund. Payments made and actions brought under this section shall be made and brought in the manner provided for the payment of taxes under protest and actions for refund of that payment in Article 2 (commencing with Section 5140) of Chapter 5 of Part 9 of Division 1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, as applicable.

(e) Except as otherwise provided in this section, actions by a groundwater sustainability agency are subject to judicial review pursuant to Section 1085 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

Section 10726.8.

(a) This part is in addition to, and not a limitation on, the authority granted to a local agency under any other law. The local agency may use the local agency's authority under any other law to apply and enforce any requirements of this part, including, but not limited to, the collection of fees.

- (b) Nothing in this part shall be construed as authorizing a local agency to make a binding determination of the water rights of any person or entity.
- (c) Nothing in this part is a limitation on the authority of the board, the department, or the State Department of Public Health.
- (d) Notwithstanding Section 6103 of the Government Code, a state or local agency that extracts groundwater shall be subject to a fee imposed under this part to the same extent as any nongovernmental entity.
- (e) Except as provided in subdivision (d), this part does not authorize a local agency to impose any requirement on the state or any agency, department, or officer of the state. State agencies and departments shall work cooperatively with a local agency on a voluntary basis.
- (f) Nothing in this chapter or a groundwater sustainability plan shall be interpreted as superseding the land use authority of cities and counties, including the city or county general plan, within the overlying basin.



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FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

Meeting Location:

Cabazon Water District Office
14-618 Broadway Street
Cabazon, California 92230

Meeting Date:

March 16, 2015 – 3:45 PM

CALL TO ORDER,
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE,
ROLL CALL
PUBLIC COMMENT

Director Sanderson - Present
Director Mariner - Present

Calvin Louie (General Manager) - Present
Elizabeth Lemus, Board Secretary - Present
Linda Halley, Financial Consultant - Absent

***Note: This meeting was recorded by the District -**

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FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE

1. Discussion: Finance & Audit Committee Report
 - Balance Sheet

- Profit and Loss Two Month
 - Profit and Loss Budget Comparison
- ✚ The District looks at three basic reports each month to get a high level overview of the financial position of the District.
 - ✚ These Financial Statements are not Compiled, Reviewed, or Audited, but are created by the contract accountant in her position as Financial Controller of the District.
 - ✚ The District has an independent financial audit each year. The District's year ends on June 30.
 - ✚ The three reports the District reviews are the Balance Sheet, the Profit and Loss Two Months, and the Profit and Loss Budget Performance.
 - ✚ The Balance Sheet shows what the District owns and what the District Owes.
 - ✚ The Profit and Loss Two Months shows whether the District is consistent month to month with revenue and expenses.
 - ✚ The Profit and Loss Budget Performance shows how the District is doing against the budget, and how the District is doing fiscal year to date.

The first report is the Balance Sheet.

- Total Checking/Savings still over \$140k.
- Account 11999 Accounts Receivable - Special Invoices, reflects the invoice the District has sent to DHPO to reimburse costs. The District has received word from DHPO that they are going to send this in.
- Account - 10234 - LAIF -While still not high enough to support the District in a water crisis, this balance is higher than at any point since August 2010. Once the DHPO money comes in the District may want to move that over to LAIF.
- Near the bottom of the report the District now shows reserves for various projects.
- Account 39003a is Reserved for Almont Vault Refurbishing. The Almont Vault repair and refurbishment is anticipated to cost \$100k. The District has spent about \$50k to date, so the reserve is now \$50k.
- These are the only items of note on the Balance Sheet.

The Profit and Loss two month shows:

- that Account 30010 Base Rate - Water Bills - is a substantially the same between the two months
 - Accounts 40060- Stand by Fees, and 40020 Ad Valorem- show the \$90k of taxes that were received during January.
 - Total 51000 - Payroll All Expenses is substantially the same between the two months.
 - Account 55175 Materials and Line Maintenance repair contractor shows that February is lower than January.
 - Account 55180 Materials and Line Maintenance Materials is slightly higher in February than in January.
 - Account 57080 - Computer Services- is quite high in February. The charges include the deposit for the necessary work station upgrade.
 - Account 57530 - Legal Services - Continue to be high. The costs relate Board activity boundaries, on-call system repair and maintenance services, Board policy, Employment issues with Board Members, Water theft, etc.
 - The District ended the month with a preliminary net loss of about \$25k.
- ✚ The Profit & Loss Budget Performance has five columns. The first shows the actual income and expenses for the month. The second column shows the Budget for the month just ended. The middle column shows the year to date actual figures. The fourth column shows the Year to Date Budget. The last column shows the annual budget.
- Account 30010 Base Rate - Water Bills – The District is just a bit under what it anticipated for the month, and a bit over year to date due to construction usage.
 - Total 51000 Payroll All Expenses is right on budget for the month and a bit under budget for the year.
 - Account 55175 Materials and Line Maintenance Contractor is over budget about 15% year to date.
 - 55190 Well Maintenance is substantially over the entire year budget due to the November purchase of the Octave meter and pulse module for \$11k.

- 57575 Temporary Labor had no budget this year, but almost \$3k in expenditures. This relates to support for scanning the customer files to retain them electronically.
- 57530 Legal Service expenses are now higher than the entire year's budget for them.
- Preliminary figures show the District with a year to date loss of \$80k. The District budgeted for a net loss of about \$6500 at this point.
- That is about \$70k worse than planned at this point in time.
- The main accounts that are overbudget are 55175 - Line Maintenance and Materials Contractor - \$20k, 55190 - Well Maintenance - \$35k, 57530 - Legal \$45k

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 16:00 hr. made by Director Sanderson and 2nd by Director Mariner.

Director Mariner - Aye

Director Sanderson - Aye

Meeting adjourned at 16:00 hr. on March 16, 2015.

Janet Mejia, Board Chair
Board of Directors
Cabazon Water District

Elizabeth Lemus, Secretary
Board of Directors
Cabazon Water District

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Minutes

Meeting Location:
Cabazon Water District Office
14-618 Broadway Street
Cabazon, California 92230

Meeting Date:
March 16, 2015 – 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REMEMBRANCE OF OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

ROLL CALL

Director Joseph Tobias - Present
Director Teresa Bui - Present
Director Martin Sanderson - Present
Board Vice Chair Janet Mejia - Present
Board Chair Kerri Mariner - Present

Calvin Louie, General Manager - Present
Elizabeth C. Lemus, Board Secretary - Present
Linda S. Halley, Financial Consultant - Absent
Joseph Ortiz, Best Best & Krieger Law Firm - Absent
Steve Anderson, Best Best & Krieger Law Firm - Present

Note: This meeting was recorded by the District -

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters in this category are considered to be consistent with the Board/District goals, District Policies and Regulations adopted and/or approved by the Board of Directors, and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is required, items may be removed from the consent calendar and will be considered separately.

1. Approval of:

- a. Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Minutes and warrants approved by the committee of February 23, 2015, regarding January 2015 Financials
- b. AB1234 Ethics Training Minutes of February 23, 2015
- c. Regular Board Meeting Minutes of February 23, 2015

2. Warrants – None

3. Awards of Contracts – None

Motion to approve consent calendar item (a.) Finance and Audit Committee Meeting Minutes of February 23, 2015, regarding January 2015 Financials made by Director Sanderson and 2nd by Director Mejia

Director Tobias - Aye

Director Bui - Aye

Director Sanderson - Aye

Director Mejia - Aye

Director Mariner - Aye

Motion to approve consent calendar item (b.) AB1234 Ethics Training Minutes of February 23, 2015 made by Director Bui and 2nd by Director Sanderson

Director Tobias - Aye

Director Bui - Aye

Director Sanderson - Aye

Director Mejia - Aye

Director Mariner - Aye

Motion to approve consent calendar item (c.)* Regular Board Meeting Minutes of February 23, 2015, unchanged, made by Director Bui and 2nd by Director Sanderson

Director Tobias - Nay
Director Bui - Nay
Director Sanderson - Aye
Director Mejia - Aye
Director Mariner – Aye

***NOTES:**

- Director Mariner stated: the Chair had the authority to add Maxine Israel's request onto the agenda when Director Bui claimed it was improper. (Referencing pg. 2 of 2/23/15 regular minutes)
- Director Bui: wanted it noted that she is formally making a harassment case against the Board Secretary for harassment in the minutes.

UPDATES

- Update: San Geronio Pass Water Taskforce Update
(by Director Mariner)
- Update: Manager's Operations Report
(by General Manager Louie)

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion/Action: Customer Concern: Nicholas Christiansen, Mission St.
Acct. No. 3-3067NC

Motion to table Nicholas Christiansen (Acct. No. 3-3067NC) agenda item for the April Regular Board Meeting made by Director Bui and 2nd by Director Mejia.

Director Tobias - Aye
Director Bui - Aye
Director Sanderson - Aye
Director Mejia - Aye
Director Mariner – Aye

2. Discussion/Action: Approval of revisions to Director Policies
(by Board & General Counsel)
- a. Approval of CIVILITY POLICY
 - b. Approval of policy for adding Future Items onto the Agenda by Board members.
 - c. Discussion on public request to the Board to add items onto the Agenda.
 - d. Public Comment Cards for Items on the Agenda (by Director Sanderson)

NOTE: Director Mariner suggested that on page 2, section D of the Civility Policy: "...District Secretary or her designee" and all other consequently similar language to be changed to "...*his* or her designee"; no objections were voiced by the Board regarding this change.

On page 2, section E, second bullet of the Civility Policy, Motion to approve Board Packets being ready for distribution on the Tuesday before the Regular Scheduled Board Meeting Monday, made by Director Mejia, and 2nd by Director Sanderson.

Director Tobias - Nay
Director Bui - Nay
Director Sanderson - Aye
Director Mejia - Aye
Director Mariner – Aye

On page 2, section E, second paragraph of the Civility Policy, Motion to eliminate the time limit (hour[s] when the packets will be ready by: "1:30 pm and 4:30 pm"), made by Director Mejia, and 2nd by Director Sanderson.

Director Tobias - Nay
Director Bui - Nay
Director Sanderson - Aye
Director Mejia - Aye
Director Mariner – Aye

On page 3, section F of the Civility Policy, Motion to approve section F with no changes made by Director Mejia, and 2nd by Director Sanderson.

Director Tobias - Nay
Director Bui – Nay *
Director Sanderson - Aye
Director Mejia - Aye
Director Mariner – Aye

*NOTE: Director Bui stated: Mr. Tobias voted no because he sees favoritism on the board, which she (Bui) concurred with Director Tobias.

Motion to take a 5-minute break at 19:20 hr. made by Director Bui, 2nd by Director Sanderson. No objections were made, and the Board reconvened at 19:25 hr.

Motion to accept the Civility Policy with the few minor notations (as explained above) made by Director Mejia and 2nd by Director Sanderson.

Director Tobias - Abstain
Director Bui – Aye
Director Sanderson - Aye
Director Mejia - Aye
Director Mariner – Aye

NOTE: (Regarding the implementation of Public Comment Cards), Director Bui wished it noted that she believed comment cards should be addressed in alphabetical order; (i.e., someone with the last name beginning with "A" would be granted to speak before someone who's last name ended in "D", regardless of who submitted a comment card first.)

3. Discussion/Action: Request for reorganization of the Board (Chair and Vice Chair positions) by Director Sanderson.

Motion to appoint Director Mejia as Board Chair made by Director Sanderson and 2nd by Director Mariner.

Director Tobias - Nay
Director Bui - Nay
Director Sanderson - Aye
Director Mejia - Aye
Director Mariner – Aye

Amended motion to have Director Mejia act as Board Chair at the close of the March 16, 2015 Regular Board Meeting made by Director Mejia and 2nd by Director Sanderson.

Director Tobias - Aye
Director Bui - Nay
Director Sanderson - Aye
Director Mejia - Aye
Director Mariner – Aye

Motion to determine a time limit and end the March 16, 2015 Regular Board Meeting at 21:00 hr. made by Director Tobias and 2nd by Director Bui.

Director Tobias - Aye
Director Bui – Aye*
Director Sanderson - Nay
Director Mejia - Nay
Director Mariner – Nay

*NOTE: Director Bui wanted it noted: she voted "aye" due to Director Tobias's health.

Motion to nominate Director Sanderson as the Board Vice Chair, to act as Vice Chair at the close of the March 16, 2015 Regular Board Meeting made by Director Sanderson and 2nd by Director Tobias.

Director Tobias - Aye
Director Bui - Nay
Director Sanderson - Aye
Director Mejia - Aye
Director Mariner – Aye

4. Discussion/Action: Website Developer & Webmaster – Approval of proposed RFP (by General Manager)

Motion to approve the Website Request for Proposal (RFP) and to authorize the General Manager to obtain estimates for services made by Director Mariner and 2nd by Director Sanderson.

Director Tobias - Aye
Director Bui - Aye
Director Sanderson - Aye
Director Mejia - Aye
Director Mariner – Aye

5. Discussion/Action: California Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Workshop – Board to select a date and time. (by General Manager & Legal Counsel)

It was the consensus of the Board to select Tuesday, April 14, 2015, at 11:00 am to hold a California Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Workshop, to be given by Atty. Steve Anderson. No objections to this were heard by the Board or public.

6. Discussion/Action: Selection of “ad hoc” committee to work with two Board members from other water retailers and San Geronio Pass Water Agency to discuss and review SGPWA plans on long-term water supply planning. (by General Manager & Board)
- a. Selection of two (2) Board members

NOTE: The General Manager informed the Board that this item was to be placed on hold for the time being.

7. Discussion/Action: Approval of the Request for Proposal (RFP) and Contract for Emergency Response, Repair, and Pipeline Maintenance Crew RFP (by General Manager)
- New Policy for Line Maintenance and Repair Contracts (by Director Tobias and Director Bui)

Motion to accept the proposed Request for Proposal (RFP) and Contract for Emergency Response, Repair, and Pipeline Maintenance Crew RFP made by Director Bui and 2nd by Director Mejia.

Director Tobias - Aye
Director Bui - Aye
Director Sanderson - Aye
Director Mejia - Aye
Director Mariner – Aye

A request to take a 5-minute break at 21:00 hr. was made by Director Bui. No objections were made, and the Board reconvened at 21:05 hr.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion/Action: April Board meeting reschedule to April 13, 2015 due to scheduling conflicts. (by General Manager)

Motion to reschedule the April Regular Board Meeting to be held on Monday, April 13, 2015, made by Director Sanderson and 2nd by Director Mejia.

Director Tobias - Aye
Director Bui - Aye
Director Sanderson - Aye
Director Mejia - Aye
Director Mariner – Aye

2. Discussion /Action: Complaint against Director Teresa Bui

Improper Conduct – filed by Cabazon Resident

Dishonesty – filed by Calvin Louie, General Manager

Some discussion was held between Directors, the General Manager, and Mr. Saldana. Please refer to the General Manager's March 10, 2015 "Subj: Director Teresa Bui – Dishonesty" Memorandum, which explains the three (3) remedies that the General Manager recommended, and refer to the 3-16-15 Regular Board Meeting Audio for the full discussion content.

There was no motion/passing of GM suggested Remedy #1.

GM suggested Remedy #2 was voted to pass with Director Sanderson and Director Mariner voting "yes/pass" votes, with Director Mejia voting a "nay" vote, but Director Tobias and Director Bui did not express a vote.

It was recommended that the Board move into Closed Session to further discuss this item, but Director Sanderson and Director Tobias began to vacate the premises (dismiss themselves from the remainder of the Board meeting).

Due to Director Sanderson and Director Tobias wanting to leave, Closed session was not entered into, and a motion to close the Board Meeting was abruptly made:

Motion to adjourn at 22:05 hr. made by Director Mariner and 2nd by Director Tobias.

No roll-call votes were made, but neither were there any objections voiced to closing the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING CLOSED SESSION

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NOTE: Item not discussed. Due to Director Sanderson and Director Tobias wanting to leave, Closed session was not entered into, and a motion to close the Board Meeting was abruptly made:

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No roll-call votes were made, but neither were there any objections voiced to closing the meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2) (1 case)

NOTE: Item not discussed. Due to Director Sanderson and Director Tobias wanting to leave, Closed session was not entered into, and a motion to close the Board Meeting was abruptly made:

Motion to adjourn at 22:05 hr. made by Director Mariner and 2nd by Director Tobias.

No roll-call votes were made, but neither were there any objections voiced to closing the meeting.

OPEN SESSION

Report to Public of Action Taken in Closed Session (if any)

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BOARD/GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

1. Future Agenda Items

The Board Chair or the majority of the Board may direct staff to investigate and report back to an individual(s) and the Board on matters suggested or direct the General Manager/Board Secretary to place the matter on a future Board meeting.

- Suggested agenda items from the Public.
- Suggested agenda items from Board Members.
- Suggested agenda items from Management.

NOTE: Item not discussed. Due to Director Sanderson and Director Tobias wanting to leave, Closed session was not entered into, and a motion to close the Board Meeting was abruptly made:

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No roll-call votes were made, but neither were there any objections voiced to closing the meeting.

2. Board Member Comments

Board members may speak on items of information not requiring comment or discussion to the Board and public. (3 minutes)

NOTE: Item not discussed. Due to Director Sanderson and Director Tobias wanting to leave, Closed session was not entered into, and a motion to close the Board Meeting was abruptly made:

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3. Management Comments

Staff members may speak on items of information not requiring comment or discussion to the Board and public. Topics which may be included on a future meeting agenda may be presented but cannot be discussed. (3 minutes)

NOTE: Item not discussed. Due to Director Sanderson and Director Tobias wanting to leave, Closed session was not entered into, and a motion to close the Board Meeting was abruptly made:

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MISCELLANEOUS

1. Future Board Items/Next Board Meeting Date(s)

- a. Finance & Audit Workshop – April 13, 2015, 3:45 pm
- b. Regular Board Meeting – April 13, 2015, 6:00 pm
- c. Personnel Committee – None
- d. San Geronio Water Task Force – Technical Committee – Banning City Hall
March 25, 2015 – 4:30 PM
- e. San Geronio Water Task Force – General Meeting – Banning City Hall – March 25, 2015
– 6:00 PM

NOTE: Item not discussed. Due to Director Sanderson and Director Tobias wanting to leave, Closed session was not entered into, and a motion to close the Board Meeting was abruptly made:

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No roll-call votes were made, but neither were there any objections voiced to closing the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: Due to Director Sanderson and Director Tobias wanting to leave, Closed session was not entered into, and a motion to close the Board Meeting was abruptly made:

Motion to adjourn at 22:05 hr. made by Director Mariner and 2nd by Director Tobias.

No roll-call votes were made, but neither were there any objections voiced to closing the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 22:05 hr. on Monday, March 16, 2015

ADA Compliance Issues

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act & Government Code Section 54954.2, if special assistance is needed to participate in a Board meeting, please contact the Clerk of the Board at (951) 849-4442. Notification of at least 48 hours prior to meeting time will assist staff in assuring that reasonable arrangements can be made to provide access.

Cabazon Water District
Balance Sheet
 As of March 31, 2015

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ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

10120 · General Bank Account-Chase	36,408.64
10130 · Payroll Bank Account-Chase	6,282.81
10150 · Trust Account- Chase - Cus Dep	28,775.77
10170 · Local Petty Cash	100.00

Total Checking/Savings 71,567.22

Accounts Receivable

11999 · Accounts Rec - Special Invoices	131,313.93
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Total Accounts Receivable 131,313.93

Other Current Assets

10234 · LAIF

10235 · LAIF	671,220.66
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10255 · LAIF Annual Market Adjustment	199.84
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Total 10234 · LAIF 671,420.50

10299 · Bank of NY Trustee Accounts

10400 · Reserve Fund - DWR-HS 528	49,477.15
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10600 · Repayment Fund DWR-HS 525	28,765.27
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Total 10299 · Bank of NY Trustee Accounts 78,242.42

10999 · Inventory Total

11000 · Inventory	88,486.23
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10999 · Inventory Total - Other	145.48
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Total 10999 · Inventory Total 88,631.71

12000 · *Accounts Receivable

12001 · Accounts Receivable - Co 1	95,303.12
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12002 · Accounts Receivable - Co 2	37,807.20
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12004 · Allow for Doubtful Accts Co 1	(16,192.28)
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12005 · Allow for Doubtful Accts Co 2	(10,678.87)
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Total 12000 · *Accounts Receivable 106,239.17

12351 · Miscellaneous Receivable (156.34)

12500 · Prepaid Expenses 18,114.98

12600 · A/R Beaumont CC Standby 11,680.16

Total Other Current Assets 974,172.60

Total Current Assets 1,177,053.75

Fixed Assets

14200 · Construction in Process

14200.8 · CIP Well Repairs	74,721.44
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14201.1 · CIP DHPO Expansion	8,087.13
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14201.2 · CIP Cabazon Outlets Expansion (Little Cabazon Mall - expansion)	9,692.35
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14202.1 · Almond Vault Repair 2013	50,465.79
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14202.2 · Wells 4,5- Pump and Well Rehab	103,087.75
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14202.3 · CIP Board Room	4,803.96
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Total 14200 · Construction in Process 250,858.42

14400 · Tools and Equipment 118,015.94

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14700 · Source of Supply	
14750 · Source of Supply- DHPO Intercon	550,207.23
14700 · Source of Supply - Other	699,299.90
Total 14700 · Source of Supply	<u>1,249,507.13</u>
14800 · Transmission & Distribution	7,728,050.86
14900 · Buildings & Structures	140,359.22
15100 · Office Furniture and Equipment	107,155.45
15500 · Land	409,548.38
15600 · Intangible Plant	11,032.00
15700 · Vehicles	90,456.71
16000 · Accumulated Depreciation	(4,444,619.08)
Total Fixed Assets	<u>5,660,365.03</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>6,837,418.78</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
20000 · *Accounts Payable	28,490.87
Total Accounts Payable	<u>28,490.87</u>
Other Current Liabilities	
26201 · Misc Short Term Liability	
26203 · Jack Pryor	(692.41)
26206 · EDA Civic Center	(1,145.90)
26201 · Misc Short Term Liability - Other	1,769.25
Total 26201 · Misc Short Term Liability	<u>(69.06)</u>
22600 · Customer Deposits	
22601 · Customer Deposits - Co 1	3,340.00
22602 · Customer Deposits - Co 2	4,835.84
Total 22600 · Customer Deposits	<u>8,175.84</u>
22800 · Accrued Vacation Pay	9,722.18
23900 · DWR-HS Payable - Current	35,164.59
23950 · Current Portion Zion's Bank Ln	71,437.14
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>124,430.69</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>152,921.56</u>
Long Term Liabilities	
25700 · DWR-H Loan Payable (Payoff '26)	446,288.44
25750 · Zion's Bank Long Term (2023)	567,609.80
26000 · RCEDA Loan Payable	300,000.35
Total Long Term Liabilities	<u>1,313,898.59</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>1,466,820.15</u>
Equity	
39001 · Net Investment in Capital Asset	4,188,757.00
39002 · Restricted for Debt Service	233,447.00
39003 · Unrestricted Net Assets	
39003a · Reserved for Almond Vault Refur	50,000.00

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39003 · Unrestricted Net Assets - Other	<u>921,429.76</u>
Total 39003 · Unrestricted Net Assets	971,429.76
39000 · Retained Earnings	88,683.87
Net Income	<u>(111,719.00)</u>
Total Equity	<u>5,370,598.63</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>6,837,418.78</u>

Cabazon Water District
Profit & Loss
 February through March 2015

	Feb 15	Mar 15
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
30000 · Operating Income		
30010 · Base Rate - Water Bills	84,966.41	85,127.05
30025 · Fire Sales - Water Bills	240.00	240.00
30030 · Penalty Fees - Water Bills	2,074.63	3,006.97
30032 · Lien Reinstatement Fees	0.00	100.00
30035 · New Account Fees - Water Bills	185.00	260.00
30100 · Meter Install and Removal	0.00	0.00
30110 · Incident Fee - Water Bills	40.00	0.00
30140 · Returned Check Fees	185.00	30.00
Total 30000 · Operating Income	87,691.04	88,764.02
40000 · Non-Operating Income		
40002 · Property Taxes		
40020 · Ad Valorem - Tax Revenue	0.00	36.01
Total 40002 · Property Taxes	0.00	36.01
30040 · Cell Tower Lease Income	3,780.86	608.35
40001 · Interest Income		
30160 · Interest Inc - Gen, Trust, Payr	1.16	0.31
40055 · Interest Income - DWR	0.06	0.00
40095 · Interest Income - Water bills	259.16	262.90
Total 40001 · Interest Income	260.38	263.21
40150 · Miscellaneous Non-Operating Inc	145.48	654.02
Total 40000 · Non-Operating Income	4,186.72	1,561.59
Total Income	91,877.76	90,325.61
Gross Profit	91,877.76	90,325.61
Expense		
51000 · Payroll - All Expenses		
53000 · Payroll Summary		
57550 · Directors' Fees	800.00	900.00
56000 · Management and Customer Service		
56020 · Customer Accounts	2,783.31	3,257.10
56015 · Admin Assistant	3,383.79	3,578.18
56010 · General Manager	6,156.82	6,156.82
Total 56000 · Management and Customer Service	12,323.92	12,992.10
56100 · Water Operations		
56116 · Meter Reader	1,670.28	1,561.14
Total 56100 · Water Operations	1,670.28	1,561.14
Total 53000 · Payroll Summary	14,794.20	15,453.24
56400 · Payroll - Employee Ben Expense		
56310 · Workers Comp.	0.00	0.00
56315 · Employee Health Care	2,444.25	2,444.25
56320 · Pension	2,109.53	2,254.18
56440 · Union Dues	(1.30)	(50.11)
56445 · Aflac Deductions	0.00	0.00

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	Feb 15	Mar 15
Total 56400 · Payroll - Employee Ben Expense	4,552.48	4,648.32
56300 · Payroll Expenses - Taxes, etc		
56410 · FICA and Medicare	1,119.52	1,169.93
56420 · SUI and ETT	597.72	265.90
56430 · Medical Testing	85.00	0.00
Total 56300 · Payroll Expenses - Taxes, etc	1,802.24	1,435.83
Total 51000 · Payroll - All Expenses	21,148.92	21,537.39
55300 · Operational Expenses		
57800 · DHPD Operational Expenses		
57820 · Legal Services - DHPO	100.00	0.00
Total 57800 · DHPD Operational Expenses	100.00	0.00
55100 · Facilities, Wells, Trans, Dist		
55110 · Lab Fees	180.00	150.00
55120 · Site Maintenance	3,183.87	0.00
55130 · Meters	50.00	1,806.52
55131 · Meter Reading	0.00	(870.00)
55150 · Utilities - Wells	8,508.47	0.00
55170 · SCADA (no ongoing contract)	25.08	0.00
55175 · Line Maint and Repair Contractor	15,823.00	33,097.50
55180 · Line Maint and Repair Materials	9,032.63	12,396.45
55190 · Well Maintenance		
55160 · Chemicals	934.57	0.00
55190 · Well Maintenance - Other	10,499.62	4,225.00
Total 55190 · Well Maintenance	11,434.19	4,225.00
55200 · Security		
55230 · Crime Prevention (PSI & Verizon)	219.58	0.00
55250 · Alarms		
55255 · Alarm Phones	97.49	57.56
Total 55250 · Alarms	97.49	57.56
55290 · Audio Alarm (cont exp xx/xx)	191.00	191.00
57295 · Video Eq Lease (exp xx/xx)	724.00	724.00
55200 · Security - Other	225.00	0.00
Total 55200 · Security	1,457.07	972.56
57540 · Engineering Services	1,420.00	0.00
Total 55100 · Facilities, Wells, Trans, Dist	51,114.31	51,778.03
58000 · Utilities - Office		
58010 · Electricity	998.05	845.98
58020 · Gas	70.59	0.00
58030 · Telephone	773.30	750.78
58040 · Sanitation	155.38	155.38
Total 58000 · Utilities - Office	1,997.32	1,752.14
57000 · Office Expenses		
57025 · Supplies & Equipment	682.48	274.60
57030 · Copier and Supplies	489.25	804.70
57045 · Postage	458.08	82.56

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	<u>Feb 15</u>	<u>Mar 15</u>
57050 · Printing & Publications	0.00	126.51
57080 · Computer Services	7,613.65	3,085.00
57000 · Office Expenses - Other	695.00	695.00
Total 57000 · Office Expenses	<u>9,938.46</u>	<u>5,068.37</u>
57500 · Support Services		
57515 · Financial Audit (through 2013)	950.00	0.00
57520 · Accounting (contract exp 12/13)	531.25	1,211.25
57530 · Legal Services	5,617.60	0.00
57560 · Bank Service Charges	120.34	8.00
57570 · Payroll Service	218.35	329.25
Total 57500 · Support Services	<u>7,437.54</u>	<u>1,548.50</u>
56500 · Management & Support		
56520 · Seminars/Training	15.00	1,790.00
56540 · Travel and Meals	108.63	861.09
Total 56500 · Management & Support	<u>123.63</u>	<u>2,651.09</u>
57600 · Other Fees		
57620 · State Water fees	0.00	150.00
Total 57600 · Other Fees	<u>0.00</u>	<u>150.00</u>
58500 · General Liability Insurance	1,711.19	1,711.19
59500 · Service Tools & Equipment		
59510 · Shop Supplies and Small Tools	16.20	46.97
59525 · Vehicle Fuel	98.23	8.00
59530 · Employee Uniforms	0.00	385.99
59540 · Tractor Expenses	1,635.39	0.00
59541 · Backhoe Fuel	100.00	307.14
59560 · Service Trucks - Repair and Mtn	1,662.87	423.12
59571 · Water Ops Cell Phone/ Internet	0.00	188.63
59572 · Water Ops Computer Internet	0.00	60.61
59500 · Service Tools & Equipment - Other	0.00	695.95
Total 59500 · Service Tools & Equipment	<u>3,512.69</u>	<u>2,116.41</u>
Total 55300 · Operational Expenses	<u>75,935.14</u>	<u>66,775.73</u>
65000 · Non-Operating Expenses		
56560 · Miscellaneous	190.52	126.00
64000 · Returned Checks	80.00	(146.45)
65350 · DHPO Interest Expense	0.00	8,410.81
66900 · Reconciliation Discrepancies	(270.00)	0.00
Total 65000 · Non-Operating Expenses	<u>0.52</u>	<u>8,390.36</u>
66000 · Depreciation and Amortization		
66100 · Depreciation	22,189.00	22,189.00
Total 66000 · Depreciation and Amortization	<u>22,189.00</u>	<u>22,189.00</u>
Total Expense	<u>119,273.58</u>	<u>118,892.48</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>(27,395.82)</u>	<u>(28,566.87)</u>
Net Income	<u>(27,395.82)</u>	<u>(28,566.87)</u>

Cabazon Water District
Profit & Loss Budget Performance
 March 2015

	Mar 15	Budget	Jul '14 - Mar 15	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense					
Income					
30000 · Operating Income					
30010 · Base Rate - Water Bills	85,127.05	89,742.00	838,897.22	847,678.00	1,136,900.00
30025 · Fire Sales - Water Bills	240.00	240.00	2,160.00	2,160.00	2,880.00
30030 · Penalty Fees - Water Bills	3,006.97	2,333.00	25,626.25	20,997.00	28,000.00
30032 · Lien Reinstatement Fees	100.00		300.00		
30035 · New Account Fees - Water	260.00		1,970.00		
30100 · Meter Install and Removal	0.00		0.00		
30110 · Incident Fee - Water Bills	0.00		40.00		
30140 · Returned Check Fees	30.00		605.00		
40010 · Basic Facilities Fee	0.00		8,020.00		
40060 · Stand By Fees - Tax Rever	0.00		69,544.72	73,000.00	100,000.00
Total 30000 · Operating Income	88,764.02	92,315.00	947,163.19	943,835.00	1,267,780.00
40000 · Non-Operating Income					
40002 · Property Taxes					
40020 · Ad Valorem - Tax Revenue	36.01		24,809.84	26,000.00	49,000.00
40085 · Teeter Settlement Income	0.00		298.75		12,000.00
Total 40002 · Property Taxes	36.01		25,108.59	26,000.00	61,000.00
30040 · Cell Tower Lease Income	608.35	2,508.00	21,880.67	22,572.00	30,100.00
40001 · Interest Income					
40076 · Interest Income - Zion's E	0.00		1.19		
30160 · Interest Inc - Gen, Trust,	0.31		13.07		
40050 · Interest Income LAIF	0.00		838.28	800.00	1,700.00
40055 · Interest Income - DWR	0.00		2.03		
40095 · Interest Income - Water b	262.90	300.00	3,531.53	2,700.00	3,600.00
Total 40001 · Interest Income	263.21	300.00	4,386.10	3,500.00	5,300.00
40150 · Miscellaneous Non-Opera	654.02		10,128.52		
Total 40000 · Non-Operating Income	1,561.59	2,808.00	61,503.88	52,072.00	96,400.00
Total Income	90,325.61	95,123.00	1,008,667.07	995,907.00	1,364,180.00
Cost of Goods Sold					
50000 · Cost of Goods Sold	0.00		0.00		
Total COGS	0.00		0.00		
Gross Profit	90,325.61	95,123.00	1,008,667.07	995,907.00	1,364,180.00
Expense					
51000 · Payroll - All Expenses					
53000 · Payroll Summary					
57550 · Directors' Fees	900.00	1,183.00	9,200.00	10,647.00	14,200.00
56000 · Management and Customer Service					
56020 · Customer Accounts	3,257.10	2,708.00	28,400.34	27,080.00	35,200.00
56015 · Admin Assistant	3,578.18	3,123.00	32,592.17	31,231.00	40,600.00
56010 · General Manager	6,156.82	6,392.00	64,631.89	63,920.00	83,100.00
Total 56000 · Management and C	12,992.10	12,223.00	125,624.40	122,231.00	158,900.00
56100 · Water Operations					

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	Mar 15	Budget	Jul '14 - Mar 15	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
56116 · Meter Reader	1,561.14	1,638.00	11,847.33	16,382.00	21,300.00
56110 · Water Tech II	0.00		0.00		
Total 56100 · Water Operations	1,561.14	1,638.00	11,847.33	16,382.00	21,300.00
Total 53000 · Payroll Summary	15,453.24	15,044.00	146,671.73	149,260.00	194,400.00
56400 · Payroll - Employee Ben Expense					
56310 · Workers Comp.	0.00	623.00	4,187.44	6,231.00	8,100.00
56315 · Employee Health Care	2,444.25	2,350.00	19,189.76	21,150.00	28,200.00
56320 · Pension	2,254.18	2,485.00	22,325.85	24,849.00	32,300.00
56440 · Union Dues	(50.11)		(25.50)		
56445 · Aflac Deductions	0.00		(160.12)		
Total 56400 · Payroll - Employee B	4,648.32	5,458.00	45,517.43	52,230.00	68,600.00
56300 · Payroll Expenses - Taxes, etc					
56410 · FICA and Medicare	1,169.93	1,062.00	11,004.48	10,618.00	13,800.00
56420 · SUI and ETT	265.90	192.00	2,228.83	1,728.00	2,300.00
56430 · Medical Testing	0.00	77.00	750.00	693.00	920.00
Total 56300 · Payroll Expenses - T	1,435.83	1,331.00	13,983.31	13,039.00	17,020.00
51000 · Payroll - All Expenses - Ot	0.00		30.97		
Total 51000 · Payroll - All Expenses	21,537.39	21,833.00	206,203.44	214,529.00	280,020.00
55300 · Operational Expenses					
57800 · DHPD Operational Expenses					
57810 · Operating Expenses - DH	0.00		3,954.77		
57820 · Legal Services - DHPO	0.00		2,112.50		
Total 57800 · DHPD Operational E:	0.00		6,067.27		
55100 · Facilities, Wells, Trans, Dist					
55110 · Lab Fees	150.00	1,758.00	5,525.00	15,822.00	21,100.00
55120 · Site Maintenance	0.00	125.00	7,145.30	1,125.00	1,500.00
55130 · Meters	1,806.52	625.00	9,616.66	5,625.00	7,500.00
55131 · Meter Reading	(870.00)		(870.00)		
55138 · Generator Service Contr	0.00	117.00	1,653.07	1,053.00	1,400.00
55140 · Median Maintenance	0.00	500.00	2,600.00	4,500.00	6,000.00
55150 · Utilities - Wells	0.00	9,167.00	67,025.15	82,503.00	110,000.00
55170 · SCADA (no ongoing cont	0.00	600.00	2,193.93	5,400.00	7,200.00
55175 · Line Maint and Repair Con	33,097.50	17,350.00	194,221.00	156,150.00	208,200.00
55180 · Line Maint and Repair Ma	12,396.45	7,500.00	65,198.01	67,500.00	90,000.00
55190 · Well Maintenance					
55160 · Chemicals	0.00	292.00	1,937.69	2,628.00	3,500.00
55190 · Well Maintenance - Othe	4,225.00	625.00	47,138.92	5,625.00	7,500.00
Total 55190 · Well Maintenance	4,225.00	917.00	49,076.61	8,253.00	11,000.00
55200 · Security					
55230 · Crime Prevention (PSI &	0.00		219.58		
55250 · Alarms					
55255 · Alarm Phones	57.56	58.00	900.04	522.00	700.00
55250 · Alarms - Other	0.00		525.30		
Total 55250 · Alarms	57.56	58.00	1,425.34	522.00	700.00

Cabazon Water District Profit & Loss Budget Performance

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	Mar 15	Budget	Jul '14 - Mar 15	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
55280 · Materials	0.00	42.00	736.23	378.00	500.00
55290 · Audio Alarm (cont exp x	191.00	225.00	1,719.00	2,025.00	2,700.00
57295 · Video Eq Lease (exp xx/	724.00	742.00	6,516.00	6,678.00	8,900.00
55200 · Security - Other	0.00		650.00		
Total 55200 · Security	972.56	1,067.00	11,266.15	9,603.00	12,800.00
57540 · Engineering Services	0.00	1,000.00	25,551.30	9,000.00	12,000.00
Total 55100 · Facilities, Wells, Trai	51,778.03	40,726.00	440,202.18	366,534.00	488,700.00
58000 · Utilities - Office					
58010 · Electricity	845.98	1,000.00	9,216.15	9,000.00	12,000.00
58020 · Gas	0.00	75.00	408.63	675.00	900.00
58030 · Telephone	750.78	750.00	6,695.24	6,750.00	9,000.00
58040 · Sanitation	155.38	275.00	1,398.42	2,475.00	3,300.00
Total 58000 · Utilities - Office	1,752.14	2,100.00	17,718.44	18,900.00	25,200.00
57000 · Office Expenses					
57085 · Water Billing System	0.00	250.00	0.00	2,250.00	3,000.00
57025 · Supplies & Equipment	274.60	717.00	6,358.37	6,453.00	8,600.00
57030 · Copier and Supplies	804.70	635.00	5,603.81	5,715.00	7,620.00
57035 · Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	50.00	522.00	450.00	600.00
57045 · Postage	82.56	750.00	4,062.72	6,750.00	9,000.00
57050 · Printing & Publications	126.51	208.00	296.51	1,872.00	2,500.00
57080 · Computer Services	3,085.00	2,583.00	33,238.48	23,247.00	31,000.00
65870 · Office/Radio	0.00		1,560.00		
57000 · Office Expenses - Other	695.00		5,815.48		
Total 57000 · Office Expenses	5,068.37	5,193.00	57,457.37	46,737.00	62,320.00
57500 · Support Services					
57575 · Temporary Labor	0.00		1,940.25		
57515 · Financial Audit (through	0.00	2,650.00	15,854.00	23,850.00	31,800.00
57520 · Accounting (contract exp	1,211.25	1,917.00	10,350.86	17,253.00	23,000.00
57530 · Legal Services	0.00	4,167.00	79,885.38	37,503.00	50,000.00
57560 · Bank Service Charges	8.00	200.00	1,245.40	1,800.00	2,400.00
57570 · Payroll Service	329.25	208.00	2,426.75	1,872.00	2,500.00
Total 57500 · Support Services	1,548.50	9,142.00	111,702.64	82,278.00	109,700.00
56500 · Management & Support					
56520 · Seminars/Training	1,790.00	792.00	3,780.00	7,128.00	9,500.00
56540 · Travel and Meals	861.09	762.00	5,374.01	6,858.00	9,140.00
Total 56500 · Management & Supp	2,651.09	1,554.00	9,154.01	13,986.00	18,640.00
57600 · Other Fees					
57610 · Riverside County Fees	0.00	425.00	405.39	3,825.00	5,100.00
57620 · State Water fees	150.00	958.00	150.00	8,622.00	11,500.00
Total 57600 · Other Fees	150.00	1,383.00	555.39	12,447.00	16,600.00
58500 · General Liability Insuranc	1,711.19	2,000.00	15,400.71	18,000.00	24,000.00
59500 · Service Tools & Equipment					
59510 · Shop Supplies and Small	46.97	208.00	197.11	1,872.00	2,500.00
59525 · Vehicle Fuel	8.00	1,500.00	9,120.13	13,500.00	18,000.00

Cabazon Water District
Profit & Loss Budget Performance
 March 2015

	<u>Mar 15</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Jul '14 - Mar 15</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>
59530 · Employee Uniforms	385.99	125.00	1,027.76	1,125.00	1,500.00
59540 · Tractor Expenses	0.00	125.00	3,375.52	1,125.00	1,500.00
59541 · Backhoe Fuel	307.14	83.00	4,741.40	747.00	1,000.00
59550 · Equipment Rental	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
59560 · Service Trucks - Repair a	423.12	750.00	6,588.37	6,750.00	9,000.00
59571 · Water Ops Cell Phone/ In	188.63	192.00	1,502.96	1,728.00	2,300.00
59572 · Water Ops Computer Inte	60.61	125.00	484.58	1,125.00	1,500.00
59590 · Communications	0.00	42.00	0.00	378.00	500.00
59500 · Service Tools & Equipme	695.95		1,008.27		
Total 59500 · Service Tools & Equ	2,116.41	3,150.00	28,046.10	28,350.00	37,800.00
Total 55300 · Operational Expenses	66,775.73	65,248.00	686,304.11	587,232.00	782,960.00
65000 · Non-Operating Expenses					
56560 · Miscellaneous	126.00	833.00	2,299.64	7,497.00	10,000.00
56570 · Image Consultant	0.00	167.00	552.50	1,503.00	2,000.00
64000 · Returned Checks	(146.45)		(251.31)		
65100 · Grant/Loan Processing Fe	0.00	100.00	1,325.00	900.00	1,200.00
65200 · DWR Interest on Loans	0.00	1,250.00	3,713.18	11,250.00	15,000.00
65350 · DHPO Interest Expense	8,410.81	1,475.00	12,838.56	13,275.00	17,700.00
66900 · Reconciliation Discrepanc	0.00		(1,370.05)		
65910 · Elm St. Property	0.00		9,070.00		
Total 65000 · Non-Operating Expen	8,390.36	3,825.00	28,177.52	34,425.00	45,900.00
66000 · Depreciation and Amortization					
66100 · Depreciation	22,189.00	20,258.00	199,701.00	182,322.00	243,100.00
Total 66000 · Depreciation and Amc	22,189.00	20,258.00	199,701.00	182,322.00	243,100.00
Total Expense	118,892.48	111,164.00	1,120,386.07	1,018,508.00	1,351,980.00
Net Ordinary Income	(28,566.87)	(16,041.00)	(111,719.00)	(22,601.00)	12,200.00
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Emergency Response & Water Pipeline Repair Contract

INQUIRIES ONLY

1. AToM Engineering Construction - Hemet
2. Borden Excavating, Inc. – Calimesa, CA
3. Downing Construction – Yucaipa, CA
4. E.J. Meyer Contractor – Highland, CA
5. Genesis Construction – Hemet, CA
6. J.P. Nelson & Sons Construction, Inc. – Banning CA
7. MC3 Construction – Called in, no further info.
8. WEKA, Inc. – Highland, CA

ATTENDED PRE-PROPOSAL MEETING

1. Borden Excavating, Inc. – Calimesa, CA
2. James Doolittle Construction – Banning, CA
3. Merlin Johnson Construction, Inc. – Calimesa, CA
4. TE Roberts Incorporated, General Engineering Contractor – Orange, CA

CLOSED BIDS SUBMITTED

The deadline for RFP's to be submitted is past the date Board packets are distributed. All RFP's will be presented at the April 13, 2015 Board meeting.



For Immediate Release

Date: March 26, 2015
Contact: Mary Parks
Phone: (909) 227-0004

RIVERSIDE COUNTY NOW 10TH MOST POPULATED IN USA

Affordable housing, viable job market, and educational opportunities are being cited as reasons Riverside County's growth over the past decade has continued to grow. The county added 32,000 residents between July 2013 and July 2014, pushing the region to the tenth most populated county in the U.S.

U.S. Census Bureau estimates bring the total number of residents in Riverside County to 2,329,271. The Inland Empire also added just over 50,000 jobs last year.

Riverside County was the fastest growing in California between 2000 and 2010.

According to U.S. Census population estimates for July 1, 2014, the 10 most populous counties in the U.S. are:

1. Los Angeles County, Calif. 10,116,705
2. Cook County, Illinois 5,246,456
3. Harris County, Texas 4,441,370
4. Maricopa County, Arizona 4,087,191
5. San Diego County, Calif. 3,263,431

6. Orange County, Calif. 3,145,515
7. Miami-Dade County, Florida 2,662,874
8. Kings County, New York 2,621,793
9. Dallas County, Texas 2,518,638
10. Riverside County, Calif. 2,329,271

For more information on the U.S. census Bureau study, visit:

http://www.census.gov/newsroom/press-kits/2015/20150326_popestimates.html

Specific 2014 Population Estimates:

<http://factfinder.census.gov/faces/tableservices/jsf/pages/productview.xhtml?src=bkml>

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The Healthy Hydration Company™

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BUILDING 2
STAMFORD, CT 06902-1138

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ARROWHEAD®

Cabazon Water District
Calvin Louie
50256 Main St
Cabazon, CA 92230

DEER PARK®

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Dear Mr. Louie:

Ozarka®

Poland Spring®

Zephyrhills®

Like all Californians, we at Nestlé Waters are deeply concerned about the state's drought and how it's affecting families, farmers, consumers and businesses. As California plans for another year of drought conditions, all water use is coming under scrutiny. Bottled water is no exception and we wanted to take this opportunity to provide you with an update about our operations.



A real dialog on water and its role in California's environment and economy is necessary. To be successful, all users must be part of the solution – and that includes us.

resource®



We agree that oversight of water use in California is important and we are committed to being a responsible steward of the water resources we use. We agree that water use regulations should exist to both protect the health of environmental habitats and to ensure fairness to all users.



S.PELLEGRINO®

California's new groundwater management legislation was a step in the right direction and we supported the recent water bond to improve infrastructure and protect and restore watersheds and ecosystems.



Clean drinking water is our most basic human need and is used in almost everything manufactured or consumed, from computers, cars and clothes, to beverages, fruits, meat and dairy products.



AccuPure®

The fact is, using water for bottling in California is the most efficient use of water among packaged beverages and is literally a "drop in the bucket" in comparison to how much water is used for other purposes. Bottled water uses a small fraction of the 1 percent of water used by industrial water consumers in California. Nestlé Waters' total 2014 water use in California is roughly equal to the annual average watering needs of just two California golf courses. And while responsible management is expected and essential, bottled water is such a small user that to focus on our industry as a material concern in water policy debates is misguided.



Nestlé

Good Food, Good Life

The rise in consumption of bottled water since the late 1990s is overwhelmingly due to people switching from sugary soft drinks to water, which helps people make healthier choices and supports critical public health interests to combat obesity. Bottled water is also vital at times of natural disasters like earthquakes and fires or infrastructure failure.

When it comes to spring water, we take steps to make sure that our water use is sustainable. We understand the recent interest in our local operations in Strawberry Canyon in the San Bernardino National Forest and would like to share a few facts:

- Nestlé Waters' Arrowhead brand has been sourced from springs in Strawberry Canyon, in what is now the San Bernardino National Forest, for over 100 years. Our continuous operation over that timeframe is an illustration of our long track record of sustainably managing water resources in the area.
- Our operations in the San Bernardino National Forest require a Special Use Permit for our pipeline, which the U.S. Forest Service has confirmed is in good standing. We are confident that the Forest Service will manage our permit renewal process in accordance with its rules.
- There are U.S. Geological Survey gauging stations that have been measuring surface water flow from Strawberry and Coldwater Canyons as well as neighboring canyons since the 1920s. These gauging stations illustrate that surface water flow from Strawberry and Coldwater Canyons has and continues to be at a higher volume than the neighboring canyons. More information can be found here: <http://maps.waterdata.usgs.gov/mapper>.
- Our water use in the San Bernardino National Forest is the daily equivalent of one-fifth of the water used to water a single golf course in Palm Springs.

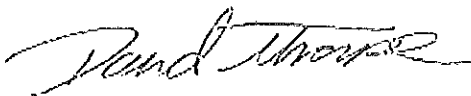
Recent accounts have implied that our activities in Strawberry Canyon, home to the original Arrowhead Springs, are the cause for the loss of a specific fish population, the Santa Ana speckled dace. Yet studies published by U.C. Davis and the California State University San Bernardino, with support from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the U.S. Forest Service – San Bernardino, conclude that the loss of this species is the result of significant fires in 2003 and subsequent major flooding.

Nestlé Waters continues to regularly monitor spring water and environmental conditions at Strawberry Canyon, complies with all reporting requirements, and continues to report its water use from this spring to the State Water Resources Control Board.

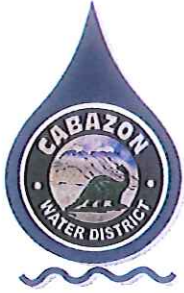
We support comprehensive and balanced oversight for all water users, helping to ensure the future of this precious resource for everyone.

If you have questions about our operations or our commitment to being a responsible water steward, please contact Larry Lawrence at 951-572-4600.

Sincerely,



David Thorpe
Regional Director, Western Region



MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 17, 2015
TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Calvin Louie – General Manager
SUBJ: Current Emergency Response & Repair Crew Contracts - Rates
cc:

SUMMARY OF THE INQUIRY

During the regular Board meeting of the Cabazon Water District (District) on March 16, 2015, Director Tobias made a presentation regarding New Policy for Line Maintenance and Repair Contracts. This agenda item was placed by Director Tobias and supported by Director Bui.

During Director Tobias's presentation, he asked the General Manager to explain why Doolittle Construction (the current "Contractor") was charging \$180.00 an hour for a tool truck and \$75.00 an hour for a Supervisor/Backhoe Operator when the current contract dated May 5, 2013 and signed by the General Manager on May 20, 2013 between the District and the current Contractor showed a different rate.

Supervisor (Backhoe Operator) Hourly Labor Rate: \$50.00
Labor Hourly Rate: \$25.00

Director Tobias requested the General Manager to explain the difference in the charges.

The General Manager advised the Board he would provide a detailed Staff report at the next Board meeting.

BACKGROUND

The previous contract between the District and the Contractor was signed on November 15, 2010. In that original contract, it provided an option to renew for 3 one-year renewal options.

An RFP was issued in 2013, and during the May 20, 2013 Board Meeting, the Board reviewed the following bids: J.P. Nelson & Sons Construction Inc. and James M. Doolittle Construction & Rental

City of Banning and Louis Williams did not submit proposals.

The Board consisted of Mia Affssa, R.D. Cash, Frances Magness, and Kerri Mariner. The fifth seat remained opened due a former Board member passing away.

The Board had asked that all bids clearly show the actual regular and overtime rate per hour for each position, Supervisor/Backhoe Operator and Labor.

1. J.P. Nelson separated his hourly rate for labor and for equipment.
2. Doolittle Construction subtracted his hourly rates for his tool truck with three (3) Laborers, Supervisor/Backhoe Operator, a pick-up truck and submitted a bid only showing the regular and overtime labor rates.

The copy of the signed Contract dated May 20, 2013 was executed by the General Manager after the Board voted unanimously to award the Contract to Mr. Doolittle.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

It should be noted; the Contract dated November 15, 2010 included an option to renew. At the May 20, 2013, the Board took advantage of that option and awarded Mr. Doolittle the contract for three years in order to lock in the low rates he provided. As the General Manager had stated in the Board meeting of March 16, 2015; the May 20, 2013 was an "extension" of the November 15, 2010 contract.

On the spreadsheet in the next page, it breaks down the different rates for both manpower and equipment.

1. Doolittle Construction rates were significantly less than J.P. Nelson.
2. Doolittle Construction Supervisor/Backhoe Operator hourly rates are \$50.00/hr. after subtracting the \$25.00 rate per hour for a service pick-up truck.

A Supervisor/Backhoe Operator is included with a Tool Truck at \$55.00 per hour

Three (3) Laborers (at \$25.00 per hour each laborer) is \$75.00 per hour;

\$180.00 per hour for the three laborers, supervisor/backhoe operator, and tool truck =
\$50.00 + \$55.00 + \$75.00

As depicted in the breakdown on the spreadsheet, every dollar billed and paid to Doolittle Construction is accounted for and consistent with the Contract.

3. J.P. Nelson quoted \$85.00 per hour for a Supervisor/Backhoe Operator, \$125.00 per hour for a Tool Truck, and \$55.00 per hour for Labor.
4. Required safety practices for an open trench at a job site on a public road when you have a person in the trench requires additional person(s) on top and sufficient personnel for traffic control, plus what OSHA refers as the Competent Person (CP) on the job site which is usually the Supervisor/Backhoe Operator. The size of this District's projects, generally requires a crew consisting the Supervisor/Backhoe Operator and 3 to 4 Labors. Any jobs requiring 5 or more personnel, the Water Meter Technician and General Manager will assist the Contractor.

Included in this Staff report are copies of the Doolittle Construction contracts dated November 15, 2010 and May 6, 2013, J.P. Nelson & Sons Construction, Inc. proposal dated April 30, 2013, and page 5 of the Minutes of the Board meeting of May 20, 2013.

Current Emergency Repair & Construction Contract Rates

				J.P. Nelson		Doolittle	
Foreman/Backhoe Operator				\$85.00		\$50.00	
Labor				\$55.00		\$25.00	
Tool Truck				\$125.00		\$55.00	
Pick-up Truck				None Offered		\$25.00	
Foreman		3 Labor	Tool Truck		Pick-up	Total	
\$50.00		\$75.00	\$55.00		\$0.00	\$180.00	Doolittle
\$85.00		\$165.00	\$125.00			\$375.00	J.P. Nelson
Foreman		4 Labor	Tool Truck		Pick-up		
\$0.00		\$100.00	\$55.00		\$25.00	\$180.00	Doolittle
\$0.00		\$220.00	\$125.00		\$0.00	\$345.00	J.P. Nelson
Foreman		0 Labor	Tool Truck		Pick-up		
\$50.00		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$25.00	\$75.00	Doolittle
\$85.00		\$0.00	\$125.00		\$0.00	\$210.00	J.P. Nelson

James M. Doolittle
Construction & Rental
Phone: (951) 849-2101
Fax: (951) 849-4454

Cabazon Water District
50256 Main Street
Cabazon, California 92230

I propose to provide the following equipment/staffing at rates as follows:

1 tool truck w/labor per hour	\$180.00
Supervisor, 1 truck per hour	70.00
Monthly charge for minimum maintenance/service:	\$9,000.00
*(CWD must provide \$9,000.00 minimum of work per mo).	

Additional labor & equipment is cost plus 30%.

Any emergency call outs will be billed at cost plus 50%.

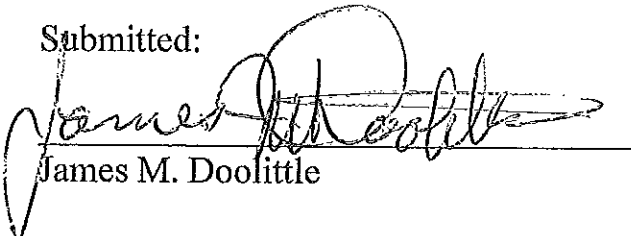
Any hourly charges exceeding \$9,000.00 per month will be billed at applicable rate. *Rates effective 11-15-2010.

Rate subject to change in the event of increased operating costs (such as fuel, insurance, etc.)

Term: 1 year w/option to renew for 3 one year periods.

Cost of contract in subsequent years shall be subject to increase.

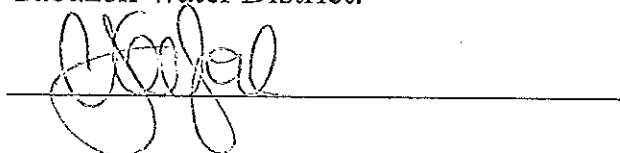
Submitted:


James M. Doolittle

Date:

11-15-10

Authorized signature
Cabazon Water District:



James M. Doolittle
Construction & Rental
License# 385718
Phone: (951)
Fax: (951)

May 6, 2013

Cabazon Water District
50256 Main Street
Cabazon, California 92230

Re: Bid Proposal for Water Distribution System Repair & Emergency
Repair Response.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in Cabazon Water Districts bidding process. I am fortunate to have an extensive background and knowledge of various water systems and emergency repair of said systems. I have worked for several general managers at multiple districts from the early 1960's to the present including Johnson Water, Jensen Water, Banning Water, Banning Heights, High Valley Water, Southern California Edison Hydroelectric Systems and the Cabazon Water District. I have worked for both Desert Hills Premium Outlets and Cabazon Premium Outlets and have general knowledge of their water systems. I have an in depth knowledge of Cabazon's current water distribution system. Well sites 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5, tank sites 1,2,3 & D.H.P.O. tank sites. Metering vault for DHPO on Mallard, and regulating and pressure reducing stations at Apache Trail, Magnolia, Bonita, Broadway & Almond. I have great knowledge of the metering systems for the entire community as well.

I take pride in continuing the same great service for the Cabazon Water District and the community as I too hold a personal interest here as a Riverside County taxpayer and property owner in Cabazon.

Please see fee schedule on page two per bid specifications.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

James M. Doolittle
Construction & Rental
License #385718
Phone: (951) 849-2101
Fax: (951) 849-4454

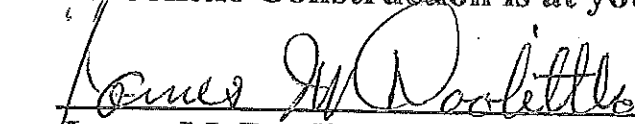
Hourly Rate Supervisor:

Business hours (Mon-Fri 6am to 6pm).....\$50.00
Non-business hours (Mon-Fri 6pm to 6am).....time and 1/2
Weekend & Holiday (Sat, Sun & Holidays).....triple time

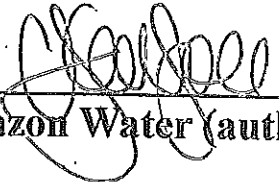
Hourly Labor Rate:

Business Hours (Mon-Fri 6am to 6pm).....\$25.00
Non-business hours (Mon-Fri 6pm to 6am).....time and 1/2
Weekend & Holiday (Sat, Sun & Holidays).....triple time

* Doolittle Construction is at your service 24/7/365!!!



James M. Doolittle



Cabazon Water (authorized agent)

5-6-13
Date

05/20/13
Date

JP Nelson & Sons Construction INC.

Estimate

CA 92220

rd.

Date	Estimate #
4/30/2013	10

Name / Address
Cabazon Water Dist 50-256 Main Street Cabazon, Calif. 92230

Description	Qty	Rate	Project
			Total
Repair and Emergency Response Quote: With CWD Equipment. Hourly rate for Supervisor/Operator \$85.00 per hr Hourly rate for labor \$55.00 per hr on business hrs 6pm to 6am Hourly rate for Supervisor/Operator \$110.00 per hr Hourly rate for Labor \$75.00 per hr One Hour Travel on All calls: Weekends and Holidays \$15.00 more per hr. J P Nelson and Son's Equipment Rental Quotes: All equipment 1 hr. travel in and 1 hr. out. 4 hr Minimum after 6hrs. goes to 8Hrs. 416 D-Cat Backhoe \$135.00 per hr 7000 Ford Bobtail Dump Truck \$75.00 per hr Service Truck with Welder and Crane \$125.00 per hr Compressor and Jack Hammer \$80.00 per hr Water Wagon \$55.00 per hr Hot Tap's \$300.00 minimum All Rental's comes with Operator		0.00	0.00
Thank You J.P. Nelson		Total	\$0.00

Motion to approve the SCADA service contract bid proposed by Byrd Electronics made by Director Magness and 2nd by Director Affsa

President RD Cash - Aye
Vice President Kerri Mariner - Aye
Director Frances Magness - Aye
Director Mia Affsa - Aye

2. Discussion/Action: Service Contract Bids (con't)

Water System Repair and Emergency Response

- a. Doolittle Construction
- b. J.P. Nelson & Sons
- c. City of Banning – Water Department (No Bid Submitted)
- d. Louis Williams – (No Bid Submitted)

Motion to approve the Water System Repair and Emergency Response service contract bid proposed by Doolittle Construction made by Director Cash and 2nd by Director Affsa

President RD Cash - Aye
Vice President Kerri Mariner - Aye
Director Frances Magness - Aye
Director Mia Affsa - Aye

3. Discussion/Action: Stanley Security Contract – Installation of a second security monitor in the new Cabazon Water District Facilities.

Proposed cost: \$1918.00 to purchase monitor upfront, \$10 monthly servicing charge.

Board to approve or deny the contract.

*Note: the GM explained that if the Board approved the Stanley Security Contract, he would not purchase and have the second security monitor installed until the District owned the new CWD building.

Motion to approve the Stanley Security Contract for Installation of a second security monitor in the new Cabazon Water District Facilities made by Director Affsa and 2nd by Director Cash

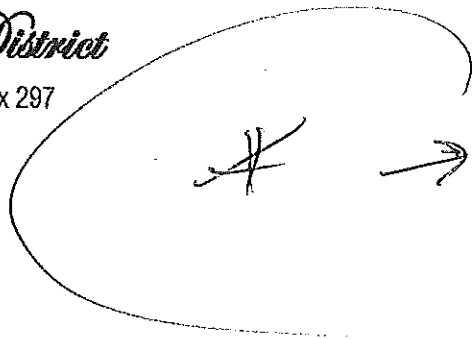
President RD Cash - Aye
Vice President Kerri Mariner - Aye
Director Frances Magness - Aye
Director Mia Affsa - Aye



Copy - OK

Cabazon Water District

14816 Broadway Street • P.O. Box 297
Cabazon, California 92230



March 18, 2015

Mr. Edward Szykowski
██████ Dolores Ave.
Cabazon, California 92230

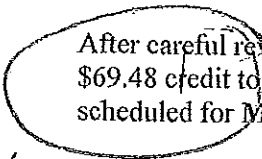
RE: Water Account #4-4019SZYN

Dear Mr. Szykowski

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After careful review of your customer account history and work order notes, I am offering a \$69.48 credit to your water account, tentative to Board approval at the next Board meeting scheduled for Monday, April 13, 2016 at 6:00 PM.



OK!

The amount suggested to be credited to your water account was based on your last nine (9) months water usage. The excess water usage on January 12, 2015 water reading was 1800 cubic feet of water above your average usage which equates to \$69.48.

If this is acceptable, please provide your approval of this offer tentative to Board approval in the April Board meeting here at the Administrative building located at 14618 Broadway Street, Cabazon, CA 92230. You may also attend the Board meeting and provide comments to the Board.

You also have the option to appeal this decision from Management and appeal your concerns to the Cabazon Water District Board of Directors. The regular Board meetings are scheduled every third Monday of the month, unless there are conflicting National holidays the District observes. It is always advisable to call in advance to confirm the schedule of the regular Board meetings.

To: CWD re: acct 4-4019 szyn -

Dear manager/staff, thank you for your response offering the \$ 69.18 reduction of my bill, and yes, I would be satisfied with that. I agree that is fair and appreciated your consideration on the matter; I probably won't be able to attend the 4-13-15 board meeting, so please just proceed with the process and apply the credit to my account, and I'll stop in later to confirm and thank you in person. I appreciate this, it helps me quite a bit. Sincerely,

Edward A Szynkowski x  3-28-15

Received in
mail 4/2/15



Cabazon Water District

14816 Broadway Street • P.O. Box 297
Cabazon, California 92230

March 18, 2015

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Cabazon Water District Rules & Regulations Governing Water Service


Article 10 Discontinuance and Restoration of Service

10.1.3 Notice and Termination for Nonpayment of Delinquent Account (cont')

- d) *Any Customer whose complaint or request for an investigation pursuant to paragraph (c) has resulted in an adverse determination by the District may appeal the determination to the Board. Any subsequent appeal of the dispute or complaint to the Board is not subject to this section. (Gov. Code, § 60372(d).)*

I hope this has been helpful to you. Please free feel to call the District if you have any further questions.

Regards,


Calvin Lofie
General Manager

Last 6 months

6/2014	1500
7/2014	1200
8/2014	1600
9/2014	1300
10/2014	1900
11/2014	900
12/2014	3400 2300
1/2015	1700 3400
2/2015	1700

9 | 15800.00
= 1755.55^{cf}

1800 (cf)

Change for 1800 instead of 3800
Credit account

1800 = 138.20 - 69.48 - 68.72



Cabazon Water District

P.O. Box 297 - 14618 Broadway Street
Cabazon, California 92230
(951) 849-4442

Customer Account Review Request

Customer Information

Service Address: 1111 Dolans Date: 3-9-15
Applicant Name: Szynkowski Edward (Alan)
Account Number: 4-4019 Last First M.I. Date of Water Bill Requesting to Review: 1-12-15

Description of the Reason for your Request to have your Water Bill Reviewed (ATTACHED ADDITIONAL PAGES IF REQUIRED, PHOTOS, AND SUPPORTING EVIDENCE)

The districts valve at the meter was stuck - totally seized - and could not be turned off, allowing the water to run all weekend out of a broken pipe in my yard resulting in this high bill. See "A" x

What is your proposed resolution?

(PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL TO RESOLVE THIS MATTER)

Reduce my bill by 80% or so -
or at least half if you think is fair.

Management Response

(SEE ATTACHED COPY OF THE RESPONSE FROM MANAGEMENT TO CUSTOMER)

Date of Response to Customer: _____ Response made by: _____

Status and Date of offer made to Customer: ACCEPTED: / /

DECLINED: / /

DECLINED/REQUEST for APPEAL to Water Board: / /

"A" CWD: - 3-9-15: From Szymkowski, #1

To CWD Mgt: I hereby request that you review my account history, and reduce my bill accordingly for the reasons: ① This bill is mostly from a leak that occurred over the weekend of Jan 10-11, 2015, in my yard, when a rusted out pipe broke off and allowed the water to run continuously until Monday (1-12) morning when the CWD crew came and put a new valve, meter, and pipe to the main in; The Districts valve at the meter was stuck on and no matter how I tried I could not turn it off; The majority of the consumption that month was not usage or waste on my part, and I notified the office as soon as possible to minimize it;

②: This is a hardship on me to pay the excess, I have gone through a lot of problems and cannot afford to have extra bills like this any more. There was a time when I could, and an extra \$100 on my bill would have gone unnoticed, but not anymore - and in fact there were times that I disregarded adjustments that were due to me of much more \$ for similar reasons because I could afford to just pay the bills at the time. A reversal of my account should show that my normal usage is not much above the minimum until the last month or two when that leak was developing and the usage was starting to rise. So please give this due consideration and let my know your decision. Thank you

3-9-15
M. M. M.

WO Number 000000008578

WO Code & Description: O34 TURN OFF-REPAIR

INFORMATION ASSIGNED BY OFFICE

NAME: EDWARD SZYNKOWSKI
 SERVICE ID: 4-526230001
 ACCOUNT NO: 4-4019 SZYN
 ROUTE NO: 2 READ SEQ: 00057
 ADDRESS: DOLORES
 METER NUMBER: 231859

PHONE NO.: _____
 ISSUE DATE: 01/12/2015
 PROCESS DATE: 01/12/2015
 PROCESS TIME: 10:00 AM
 REQUESTED BY: ELLEN
 ASSIGNED TO: JD

Comments:

TURN OFF FOR CUSTOMER REPAIR CLAY WENT TO DO, AND SAID WATER STILL WENT THRU WHEN OFF. needs new service.

INFORMATION FROM THE FIELD

OLD METER READING: 1700.00000 OLD METER #: 231859 REMOTE METER #: _____
 NEW METER READING: _____ NEW METER #: _____ SEAL #: _____

Comments:

NEEDS NEW SERVICE -OUT METER 97512177-0168
 IN METER 231859-0

UTILITY NOTES: _____ PREVIOUS READ: 1700.00000 DATE: 02/12/2015

WORK DONE BY: _____ DATE COMPLETED: 01/22/2015

Labor Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Labor Charges			

Equipment Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Equipment Charges			

Material Charges				
Part #	Item	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Total Material Charges				

Outside Vendor Charges			
Name	PO Number	Job Date	Amount
Total Vendor Charges			

Charge Summary	
Labor Charges	
Equipment Charges	
Material Charges	
Vendor Charges	
Total	

WO Number 00000008577

WO Code & Description: 034 TURN OFF-REPAIR

INFORMATION ASSIGNED BY OFFICE

NAME: EDWARD SZYNKOWSKI
 SERVICE ID: 4-526230001
 ACCOUNT NO: 4-4019.SZYN
 ROUTE NO: 2 READ SEQ:00057
 ADDRESS: JOLORES
 METER NUMBER: 231859

PHONE NO.: _____
 ISSUE DATE: 01/12/2015
 PROCESS DATE: 01/12/2015
 PROCESS TIME: 09:00 AM
 REQUESTED BY: ellen
 ASSIGNED TO: FLD

Comments:

Turn off asap. Leak customer side

INFORMATION FROM THE FIELD

OLD METER READING: 1700.00000 OLD METER #: 231859 REMOTE METER #: _____
 NEW METER READING: _____ NEW METER #: _____ SEAL #: _____

Comments:

Had to call the Doolittle's. Needed new service.

UTILITY NOTES: _____ PREVIOUS READ: 1700.00000 DATE: 02/12/2015

WORK DONE BY: _____ DATE COMPLETED: 01/12/2015

Labor Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Labor Charges			

Equipment Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Equipment Charges			

Material Charges				
Part #	Item	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Total Material Charges				

Outside Vendor Charges			
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Charge Summary	
Labor Charges	
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Location Information

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Date	Type	Read Date	Reading	Usage	Prior Balance	Transaction Amount	Balance
09/16/2004	F Misc				0.00	20.00	20.00
10/07/2004	F Charge	09/28/2004	649700	8500	20.00	52.59	72.59
10/31/2004	Penalty				72.59	5.26	77.85
10/31/2004	Charge	10/28/2004	655500	5800	77.85	35.04	112.89
11/19/2004	Payment				112.89	-112.89	0.00
11/30/2004	Charge	11/30/2004	659400	3900	0.00	25.55	25.55
12/31/2004	Penalty				25.55	2.56	28.11
12/31/2004	Charge	12/30/2004	662100	2700	28.11	20.87	48.98
01/20/2005	Payment				48.98	-48.98	0.00
01/30/2005	Charge	01/25/2005	664500	2400	0.00	35.55	35.55
02/22/2005	Payment				35.55	-35.55	0.00
02/28/2005	Charge	02/28/2005	665100	600	0.00	23.85	23.85
03/24/2005	Penalty				23.85	2.39	26.24
03/25/2005	Payment				26.24	-26.24	0.00
03/31/2005	Charge	03/24/2005	668500	3400	0.00	43.41	43.41
04/21/2005	Penalty				43.41	4.34	47.75
04/30/2005	Charge	04/27/2005	669000	500	47.75	23.20	70.95
05/11/2005	Payment				70.95	-43.41	27.54
05/11/2005	Payment				27.54	-27.54	0.00
05/11/2005	Charge	05/31/2005	678100	9100	0.00	99.84	99.84
06/24/2005	Penalty				99.84	9.98	109.82
06/29/2005	Payment				109.82	-101.91	7.91
06/30/2005	Charge	06/28/2005	686200	8100	7.91	89.94	97.85
07/25/2005	Payment				97.85	-105.90	-8.05
07/29/2005	Charge	07/26/2005	690500	4300	-8.05	52.32	44.27
08/23/2005	Penalty				44.27	5.23	49.50
08/29/2005	Payment				49.50	-44.27	5.23
08/31/2005	Charge	08/26/2005	694800	4300	5.23	52.32	57.55
09/16/2005	Payment				57.55	-57.55	0.00
09/30/2005	Charge	09/29/2005	702700	7900	0.00	87.96	87.96
10/31/2005	Payment				87.96	-89.85	-1.89
10/31/2005	Charge	10/28/2005	704500	1800	-1.89	31.65	29.76
11/29/2005	Payment				29.76	-30.71	-0.95
11/30/2005	Charge	11/23/2005	712200	7700	-0.95	85.98	85.03
12/31/2005	Charge	12/27/2005	715200	3000	85.03	39.45	124.48
01/09/2006	Payment				124.48	-85.03	39.45
01/30/2006	Payment				39.45	-39.45	0.00
01/31/2006	Charge	02/01/2006	717000	1800	0.00	31.65	31.65
02/21/2006	Payment				31.65	-31.65	0.00
02/28/2006	Charge	03/01/2006	719700	2700	0.00	37.50	37.50
03/27/2006	Payment				37.50	-37.50	0.00
03/31/2006	Charge	04/04/2006	724200	4500	0.00	54.30	54.30
04/17/2006	Penalty				54.30	5.43	59.73
04/17/2006	Payment				59.73	-54.30	5.43
05/04/2006	Charge	04/26/2006	720600	400	5.43	22.55	27.98
05/25/2006	Penalty				27.98	2.26	30.24

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Date	Type	Read Date	Reading	Usage	Prior Balance	Transaction Amount	Balance
05/25/2006	Payment				30.24	-27.98	2.26
06/02/2006	Charge	05/25/2006	725100	4500	2.26	54.30	56.56
06/22/2006	Payment				56.56	-56.56	0.00
06/23/2006	Penalty				0.00	2.26	2.26
07/07/2006	Charge	06/27/2006	732600	7500	2.26	181.60	183.86
07/24/2006	Payment				183.86	-183.86	0.00
08/01/2006	Charge	07/27/2006	735900	3300	0.00	75.70	75.70
08/21/2006	Payment				75.70	-75.70	0.00
09/01/2006	Charge	08/29/2006	740000	4100	0.00	96.50	96.50
09/21/2006	Payment				96.50	-96.50	0.00
10/04/2006	Charge	09/27/2006	749300	9300	0.00	244.60	244.60
10/23/2006	Payment				244.60	-244.60	0.00
11/01/2006	Charge	10/24/2006	754400	5100	0.00	122.80	122.80
11/21/2006	Penalty				122.80	12.28	135.08
11/28/2006	Payment				135.08	-135.08	0.00
12/01/2006	Charge	11/30/2006	764000	9600	0.00	253.30	253.30
12/20/2006	Payment				253.30	-253.30	0.00
01/02/2007	Charge	12/29/2006	772300	8300	0.00	215.60	215.60
01/22/2007	Payment				215.60	-215.60	0.00
01/25/2007	Charge	01/25/2007	780800	8500	0.00	221.40	221.40
02/22/2007	Penalty				221.40	22.14	243.54
02/23/2007	Payment				243.54	-243.54	0.00
03/01/2007	Charge	02/27/2007	788800	8000	0.00	206.90	206.90
03/21/2007	Payment				206.90	-206.90	0.00
04/02/2007	Charge	03/27/2007	795100	6300	0.00	157.60	157.60
04/09/2007	Payment				157.60	-157.60	0.00
05/01/2007	Charge	04/26/2007	796300	1200	0.00	35.40	35.40
05/16/2007	Payment				35.40	-35.40	0.00
06/01/2007	Charge	05/25/2007	797500	1200	0.00	35.40	35.40
06/19/2007	Payment				35.40	-35.40	0.00
07/02/2007	Charge	06/29/2007	797500		0.00	19.95	19.95
07/17/2007	Payment				19.95	-19.95	0.00
08/01/2007	Charge	07/27/2007	804400	6900	0.00	175.00	175.00
08/07/2007	Payment				175.00	-175.00	0.00
08/29/2007	Adjustment				0.00	-15.80	-15.80
09/01/2007	Charge	08/24/2007	814300	9900	-15.80	262.00	246.20
09/17/2007	Payment				246.20	-262.00	-15.80
10/01/2007	Charge	09/26/2007	821500	7200	-15.80	183.70	167.90
10/11/2007	Payment				167.90	-167.90	0.00
11/06/2007	Charge	10/26/2007	825700	4200	0.00	99.10	99.10
11/26/2007	Payment				99.10	-99.10	0.00
12/01/2007	Charge	11/21/2007	831600	5900	0.00	146.00	146.00
12/17/2007	Payment				146.00	-146.00	0.00
01/02/2008	Charge	12/21/2007	833600	2000	0.00	47.40	47.40
01/21/2008	Payment				47.40	-47.40	0.00
02/01/2008	Charge	01/21/2008	835600	2000	0.00	47.40	47.40

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Date	Type	Read Date	Reading	Usage	Prior Balance	Transaction Amount	Balance
02/21/2008	Penalty				47.40	7.11	54.51
02/21/2008	Interest				54.51	0.95	55.46
02/21/2008	Payment				55.46	-47.40	8.06
03/01/2008	Charge	02/21/2008	838300	2700	8.06	60.10	68.16
03/21/2008	Payment				68.16	-68.16	0.00
03/31/2008	Charge	03/20/2008	840800	2500	0.00	54.90	54.90
04/21/2008	Payment				54.90	-54.90	0.00
04/30/2008	Charge	04/21/2008	843400	2600	0.00	57.50	57.50
05/21/2008	Penalty				57.50	8.63	66.13
05/21/2008	Interest				66.13	1.10	67.23
05/31/2008	Charge	05/20/2008	847600	4200	67.23	99.10	166.33
06/09/2008	Payment				166.33	-57.50	108.83
06/09/2008	Payment				108.83	-108.83	0.00
06/17/2008	Adjustment				0.00	0.00	0.00
06/30/2008	Charge	06/20/2008	852000	4400	0.00	104.30	104.30
07/21/2008	Payment				104.30	-104.30	0.00
07/31/2008	Charge	07/21/2008	858900	6900	0.00	175.00	175.00
08/20/2008	Payment				175.00	-175.00	0.00
08/30/2008	Charge	08/20/2008	867300	8400	0.00	218.50	218.50
09/09/2008	Payment				218.50	-218.50	0.00
09/30/2008	Charge	09/22/2008	874700	7400	0.00	189.50	189.50
10/20/2008	Payment				189.50	-189.50	0.00
10/31/2008	Charge	10/20/2008	879000	4300	0.00	101.70	101.70
11/20/2008	Payment				101.70	-101.70	0.00
11/28/2008	Charge	11/17/2008	882400	3400	0.00	78.30	78.30
12/18/2008	Payment				78.30	-78.30	0.00
12/31/2008	Charge	12/17/2008	883600	1200	0.00	35.40	35.40
01/21/2009	Penalty				35.40	5.31	40.71
01/21/2009	Interest				40.71	0.53	41.24
01/27/2009	Payment				41.24	-41.24	0.00
01/30/2009	Charge	01/19/2009	884400	800	0.00	29.40	29.40
02/17/2009	Payment				29.40	-29.40	0.00
02/28/2009	Charge	02/17/2009	885200	800	0.00	29.40	29.40
03/17/2009	Payment				29.40	-29.40	0.00
03/31/2009	Charge	03/18/2009	889000	3800	0.00	88.70	88.70
04/20/2009	Payment				88.70	-88.70	0.00
04/30/2009	Charge	04/20/2009	891000	2000	0.00	47.40	47.40
05/18/2009	Payment				47.40	-47.40	0.00
05/29/2009	Charge	05/14/2009	899400	8400	0.00	218.50	218.50
06/18/2009	Payment				218.50	-228.50	-10.00
06/30/2009	Charge	06/18/2009	902900	3500	-10.00	80.90	70.90
07/20/2009	Payment				70.90	-80.90	-10.00
07/31/2009	Charge	07/17/2009	909000	6100	-10.00	151.80	141.80
08/09/2009	Payment				141.80	-141.80	0.00
08/31/2009	Charge	08/17/2009	913300	4300	0.00	101.70	101.70
09/22/2009	Penalty				101.70	15.26	116.96

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Date	Type	Read Date	Reading	Usage	Prior Balance	Transaction Amount	Balance
09/22/2009	Interest				116.96	1.53	118.49
09/30/2009	Charge	09/15/2009	916400	3100	118.49	70.50	188.99
10/01/2009	Payment				188.99	-188.99	0.00
10/30/2009	Charge	10/15/2009	919900	3500	0.00	80.90	80.90
11/23/2009	Payment				80.90	-80.90	0.00
11/30/2009	Charge	11/18/2009	920800	900	0.00	30.90	30.90
12/21/2009	Payment				30.90	-30.90	0.00
12/31/2009	Charge	12/16/2009	922300	1500	0.00	39.90	39.90
01/20/2010	Payment				39.90	-39.90	0.00
01/31/2010	Charge	01/18/2010	923800	1500	0.00	49.45	49.45
02/22/2010	Penalty				49.45	7.42	56.87
02/22/2010	Interest				56.87	0.74	57.61
02/22/2010	Payment				57.61	-57.61	0.00
02/28/2010	Charge	02/16/2010	924400	600	0.00	34.60	34.60
03/18/2010	Payment				34.60	-34.60	0.00
03/31/2010	Charge	03/18/2010	925200	800	0.00	37.90	37.90
04/19/2010	Payment				37.90	-37.90	0.00
04/30/2010	Charge	04/19/2010	925800	600	0.00	34.60	34.60
05/20/2010	Payment				34.60	-34.60	0.00
05/31/2010	Charge	05/18/2010	927200	1400	0.00	47.80	47.80
06/15/2010	Payment				47.80	-47.80	0.00
06/30/2010	Charge	06/21/2010	929700	2500	0.00	65.95	65.95
07/19/2010	Payment				65.95	-65.95	0.00
07/31/2010	Charge	07/20/2010	933200	3500	0.00	98.45	98.45
08/24/2010	Penalty				98.45	14.77	113.22
08/24/2010	Interest				113.22	1.48	114.70
08/31/2010	Charge	08/19/2010	938800	5600	114.70	169.82	284.52
09/02/2010	Payment				284.52	-200.00	84.52
09/13/2010	Payment				84.52	-84.52	0.00
09/30/2010	Charge	09/17/2010	941500	2700	0.00	72.45	72.45
10/20/2010	Payment				72.45	-72.45	0.00
10/31/2010	Charge	10/18/2010	943100	1600	0.00	51.10	51.10
11/15/2010	Payment				51.10	-51.10	0.00
12/01/2010	Charge	11/17/2010	943500	400	0.00	32.95	32.95
12/16/2010	Payment				32.95	-32.95	0.00
12/30/2010	Charge	12/16/2010	943900	400	0.00	32.95	32.95
01/18/2011	Payment				32.95	-32.95	0.00
01/31/2011	Charge	01/14/2011	944100	200	0.00	32.95	32.95
02/14/2011	Payment				32.95	-32.95	0.00
02/28/2011	Charge	02/14/2011	944500	400	0.00	34.60	34.60
03/21/2011	Payment				34.60	-34.60	0.00
03/31/2011	Charge	03/14/2011	944900	400	0.00	34.60	34.60
04/21/2011	Penalty				34.60	3.46	38.06
04/21/2011	Interest				38.06	0.52	38.58
04/30/2011	Charge	04/12/2011	945500	600	38.58	36.33	74.91
05/02/2011	Payment				74.91	-34.60	40.31

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Date	Type	Read Date	Reading	Usage	Prior Balance	Transaction Amount	Balance
05/23/2011	Payment				40.31	-40.31	0.00
05/31/2011	Charge	05/12/2011	947500	2000	0.00	60.55	60.55
06/20/2011	Payment				60.55	-60.55	0.00
06/30/2011	Charge	06/13/2011	948400	900	0.00	41.52	41.52
07/19/2011	Payment				41.52	-41.52	0.00
07/30/2011	Charge	07/14/2011	949800	1400	0.00	50.17	50.17
08/16/2011	Payment				50.17	-50.17	0.00
08/31/2011	Charge	08/11/2011	954500	4700	0.00	144.22	144.22
09/19/2011	Payment				144.22	-144.22	0.00
09/29/2011	Charge	09/12/2011	955500	1000	0.00	43.25	43.25
10/18/2011	Payment				43.25	-43.25	0.00
10/31/2011	Charge	10/12/2011	957300	1800	0.00	57.09	57.09
11/21/2011	Payment				57.09	-57.07	0.02
11/23/2011	Penalty				0.02	0.00	0.02
11/23/2011	Interest				0.02	0.00	0.02
11/30/2011	Charge	11/11/2011	958500	1200	0.02	46.71	46.73
12/20/2011	Payment				46.73	-46.73	0.00
12/29/2011	Charge	12/12/2011	959900	1400	0.00	50.17	50.17
01/23/2012	Payment				50.17	-50.17	0.00
01/23/2012	Charge	01/12/2012	960900	1000	0.00	45.43	45.43
02/16/2012	Payment				45.43	-45.43	0.00
02/29/2012	Charge	02/10/2012	961900	1000	0.00	45.43	45.43
03/21/2012	Penalty				45.43	4.54	49.97
03/21/2012	Interest				49.97	0.68	50.65
03/21/2012	Payment				50.65	-45.43	5.22
03/28/2012	Charge	03/12/2012	963100	1200	5.22	49.07	54.29
08/01/2013	Adjustment				54.29	41.73	96.02
08/22/2013	Payment				96.02	-96.02	0.00
08/29/2013	Charge	08/12/2013	993500	2300	0.00	87.64	87.64
09/19/2013	Payment				87.64	-87.64	0.00
09/30/2013	Charge	09/12/2013	995500	2000	0.00	66.79	66.79
10/22/2013	Penalty				66.79	6.68	73.47
10/22/2013	Interest				73.47	1.00	74.47
10/31/2013	Charge	10/14/2013	996500	1000	74.47	47.69	122.16
11/20/2013	Payment				122.16	-122.16	0.00
11/27/2013	Charge	11/12/2013	997900	1400	0.00	55.33	55.33
12/18/2013	Payment				55.33	-55.33	0.00
12/27/2013	Adjustment				0.00	-16.74	-16.74
12/31/2013	Charge	12/12/2013	998700	800	-16.74	43.87	27.13
01/22/2014	Penalty				27.13	2.71	29.84
01/22/2014	Interest				29.84	0.41	30.25
01/30/2014	Charge	01/13/2014	999400	700	30.25	41.96	72.21
02/20/2014	Payment				72.21	-72.21	0.00
02/20/2014	Charge	02/13/2014	200	800	0.00	46.08	46.08
03/20/2014	Payment				46.08	-46.08	0.00
03/31/2014	Charge	03/13/2014	900	700	0.00	44.07	44.07

Customer Transaction Summary

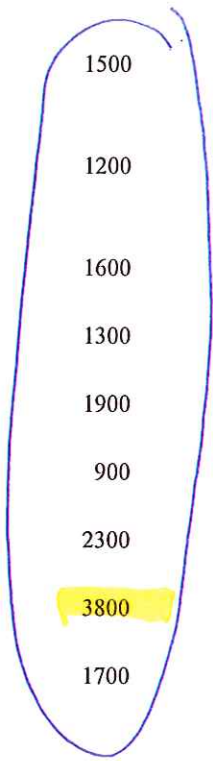
Customer Information

Account No: 4-4019 SZYN
 JAWARD SZYNKOWSKI
 P.O. BOX
 CABAZON, CA 92230-

Location Information

Location No: 4-526230001
 DOLORES
 CABAZON, CA 92230

Date	Type	Read Date	Reading	Usage	Prior Balance	Transaction Amount	Balance
04/17/2014	Payment				44.07	-44.07	0.00
04/30/2014	Charge	04/14/2014	3000	2100	0.00	72.21	72.21
05/20/2014	Payment				72.21	-72.21	0.00
05/29/2014	Charge	05/15/2014	4000	1000	0.00	50.10	50.10
06/23/2014	Interest				50.10	0.75	50.85
06/23/2014	Penalty				50.85	5.01	55.86
06/30/2014	Charge	06/12/2014	5500	1500	55.86	60.15	116.01
07/21/2014	Payment				116.01	-100.72	15.29
07/21/2014	Payment				15.29	-15.29	0.00
07/31/2014	Charge	07/10/2014	6700	1200	0.00	54.12	54.12
08/21/2014	Penalty				54.12	5.41	59.53
08/21/2014	Interest				59.53	0.81	60.34
08/27/2014	Charge	08/11/2014	8300	1600	60.34	62.16	122.50
09/18/2014	Payment				122.50	-122.50	0.00
09/30/2014	Charge	09/11/2014	9600	1300	0.00	56.13	56.13
10/20/2014	Payment				56.13	-56.13	0.00
10/30/2014	Charge	10/13/2014	11500	1900	0.00	68.19	68.19
11/17/2014	Payment				68.19	-68.19	0.00
11/26/2014	Charge	11/12/2014	12400	900	0.00	48.09	48.09
12/11/2014	Payment				48.09	-48.09	0.00
12/31/2014	Charge	12/11/2014	14700	2300	0.00	76.23	76.23
01/20/2015	Payment				76.23	-76.23	0.00
01/29/2015	Charge	01/12/2015	1700	3800	0.00	138.20	138.20
02/19/2015	Payment				138.20	-50.00	88.20
02/26/2015	Charge	02/12/2015	1700	1700	88.20	67.37	155.57



Martin L. Sanderson
Post Office Box 811
Cabazon, CA 92230
(951) 922-1880

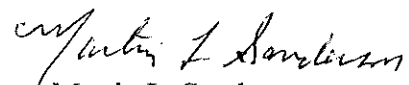
March 26, 2015

To: Cabazon Water District.
From: Martin Sanderson, Director
Re: April 13, Agenda item request:

Director Janet Mejia and I would like the Board to consider moving the public comments part of our meetings from the front to after the Consent Calendar and Agenda items because:

- 1-As Directors, our primary duty is Water District business
- 2-As counsel has advised, relating to Agenda items, opinions should be given after being informed.
- 3-The Board of Supervisors has their public comment after Consent Calendar and Agenda items.

Thank you


Martin L. Sanderson



Cabazon Water District

P.O. Box 297 - 14618 Broadway Street
Cabazon, California 92230
(951) 849-4442

Customer Account Review Request

Customer Information

Service Address: Mission St. Date: 2/9/15
Applicant Name: Christiansen Nicholas E
Last First M.I.
Account Number: 3-3067NC Date of Water Bill Requesting to Review: 12/11/15 and 1/12/2015

Description of the Reason for your Request to have your Water Bill Reviewed

(ATTACHED ADDITIONAL PAGES IF REQUIRED, PHOTOS, AND SUPPORTING EVIDENCE)

For the last 2 years our usage of water has been 100-400 ccf after new piping and meter water went up 2000 ccf usage. They only ran the meter test of the new meter, but not our old meter, we would only use 2500 ccf for a whole year and now that is what we are getting charged every month. We even lowered sprinkler usage and everything in house has stayed the same. Also no leaks on our side. ~~Proposed to take further~~

What is your proposed resolution?

(PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL TO RESOLVE THIS MATTER)

I would like further testing to get to the bottom of the problem. Also better customer service and professionalism from the store management (woman).

Management Response

(SEE ATTACHED COPY OF THE RESPONSE FROM MANAGEMENT TO CUSTOMER)

Date of Response to Customer: _____ Response made by: _____

Status and Date of offer made to Customer: ACCEPTED: / /

DECLINED: / /

DECLINED/REQUEST for APPEAL to Water Board: / /



Cabazon Water District

14816 Broadway Street • P.O. Box 297
Cabazon, California 92230

February 11, 2015

Mr. Nicholas Christlanson
Mission Avenue
Cabazon, California 92230

RE: Water Account #3-3067NC

Dear Mr. Christlanson,

I appreciate you taking the time in sharing your concerns about your water usage. You stated in your Customer Account Review Request (CARR) you feel your average monthly water consumption is generally around 100 - 400 cubic feet (ft³) of water for the last two years. I am assuming you are referring to 2013-2014.

I read your water meter (#00231843) yesterday (02/10/2015), at approximately 10:20 AM. The reading was 0050.98. Today (02/11/2015), at approximately 1:32 PM, I read your water meter and the reading was 0051.95. This equates to 0.97 Hundred Cubic Feet (HCF) (= 0051.95 - 0050.98) of water usage between the hours of 1020 hr., yesterday to 1332 hr. today.

Based on this reading, you have used 0.86 HCF within a 24 hour period. This would reflect a monthly water usage of 2600 cubic feet (ft³) if the last 24 hour recorded water usage was actually your monthly usage.

$0051.95 \text{ HCF} - 0050.98 \text{ HCF} = 0.97 \text{ HCF in } 27 \text{ hours} = 0.036 \text{ HCF per hour} \times 24 \text{ hours} = 0.86 \text{ HCF per day} \times 30 \text{ days} = 2600 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ per month}$

Water Meter Replacement

Over time, water meters become less accurate and can provide inaccurate water readings. By replacing meters, the Cabazon Water District will be able to bill more accurately and efficiently for water usage.

In addition, the water meter reader uses a handheld meter reading device. The new meter reading tools alert the Customer Accounts Department (CAD) of any unusual or high water usage. The CAD in turn issues a work order to have the meter reread before publication of bills.

ARTICLE & - GENERAL USE REGULATIONS

7.3 RESPONSIBILITY FOR EQUIPMENT ON PREMISES

All facilities installed by the District on private property for the purpose of rendering water service, up to and including the water meter, shall remain the property of the District and may be maintained, repaired or replaced by the District without consent or interference of the owner or other Customer. The owner or Customer shall use reasonable care in the protection of the facilities. No payment shall be made by the District for placing or maintaining said facilities on private property.


The District reserves the right to continue the use of the current water meter (#00231843) which on January 8, 2015 it tested 99.8% accurate.

You have been placed on the agenda to address the water board at the next regular Board meeting scheduled for Monday, February 23, 2015, at 6:00 PM in the Board/Multi-purpose room located at 14618 Broadway Street, Cabazon, CA 92230.

If you will be unable to appear during the February 23, 2015 Board meeting, please notify the District office ahead of time. Failure to appear before the Board of Directors (Board) does not prohibit the Board from making a decision regarding your request/account.

I hope this has been helpful to you. Please free feel to call the District if you have any further questions.

Regards,


Calvin Houle
General Manager

Customer Transaction Summary

Customer Information

Account No: 3-3067NC
 NICHOLAS CHRISTIANSEN
 MISSION STREET
 CABAZON, CA 92230-

Location Information

Location No: 3-526202018
 MISSION
 CABAZON, CA 92230

Date	Type	Read Date	Reading	Usage	Prior Balance	Transaction Amount	Balance
08/29/2013	F Charge	08/12/2013	509900	300	0.00	34.60	34.60
09/09/2013	Payment				34.60	-34.60	0.00
09/30/2013	Charge	09/12/2013	510300	400	0.00	38.14	38.14
10/16/2013	Payment				38.14	-38.14	0.00
10/31/2013	Charge	10/14/2013	510600	300	0.00	38.14	38.14
11/18/2013	Payment				38.14	-38.14	0.00
11/27/2013	Charge	11/12/2013	510800	200	0.00	38.14	38.14
12/18/2013	Payment				38.14	-38.14	0.00
12/31/2013	Charge	12/12/2013	511200	400	0.00	38.14	38.14
01/21/2014	Payment				38.14	-38.14	0.00
01/30/2014	Charge	01/13/2014	511400	200	0.00	38.14	38.14
02/18/2014	Payment				38.14	-38.14	0.00
02/27/2014	Charge	02/13/2014	511700	300	0.00	40.05	40.05
03/20/2014	Payment				40.05	-40.05	0.00
03/31/2014	Charge	03/13/2014	511900	200	0.00	40.05	40.05
04/17/2014	Payment				40.05	-40.05	0.00
04/30/2014	Charge	04/14/2014	512200	300	0.00	40.05	40.05
05/19/2014	Payment				40.05	-40.05	0.00
05/29/2014	Charge	05/15/2014	512500	300	0.00	40.05	40.05
06/07/2014	Payment				40.05	-40.05	0.00
06/30/2014	Charge	06/12/2014	512700	200	0.00	40.05	40.05
07/21/2014	Payment				40.05	-40.05	0.00
07/31/2014	Charge	07/10/2014	512800	100	0.00	40.05	40.05
08/20/2014	Payment				40.05	-40.05	0.00
08/27/2014	Charge	08/11/2014	513100	300	0.00	40.05	40.05
09/15/2014	Payment				40.05	-40.05	0.00
09/30/2014	Charge	09/11/2014	513100		0.00	40.05	40.05
10/20/2014	Payment				40.05	-40.05	0.00
10/30/2014	Charge	10/13/2014	513300	200	0.00	40.05	40.05
11/13/2014	Payment				40.05	-40.05	0.00
11/26/2014	Charge	11/12/2014	513400	100	0.00	40.05	40.05
12/16/2014	Payment				40.05	-40.05	0.00
12/31/2014	Charge	12/11/2014	2000	2000	0.00	70.20	70.20
01/20/2015	Payment				70.20	-70.20	0.00
01/29/2015	Charge	01/12/2015	3600	2000	0.00	73.70	73.70
02/17/2015	Payment				73.70	-73.70	0.00
02/26/2015	Charge	02/12/2015	5900	2300	0.00	80.03	80.03
03/23/2015	Payment				80.03	-80.03	0.00



Cabazon Water District

14816 Broadway Street • P.O. Box 297
Cabazon, California 92230

January 15, 2015

Mr. Nicholas Christiansen
Mission Avenue
Cabazon, California 92230

RE: Water Account #3-526202018

Dear Mr. Christiansen,

I appreciate you taking the time in sharing your concerns about your water usage. You stated your average monthly water consumption is generally around 300 cubic feet (ft³) of water. A brief summary of events are as follows;

1. December 11, 2014 - water bill was for 2000 ft³ of water used.
2. January 5, 2015 - Your water meter (231843) was read again on. The water meter reading was 0029.00.
3. January 6, 2015 - Your spouse contacted the office and inquired about a potential mistake in reading the water meter or human error in transposing the numbers on the wrong side of the decimal. The Water District's water meter re-read your water meter at approximately 10:18 AM. The water meter reading showed a reading of 0030.94, a 1.95 ft³ increase of water usage within twenty (20) hours and eighteen (18) minutes. This represents almost two hundred (2) cubic feet or two units of water being used. (7.48 gal = 1 ft³ & 1 unit = 100 ft³.)
4. January 6, 2015 - At approximately 3:50 PM, your water meter was re-read again. The Water District's water meter technician recorded the water meter reading to be 0031.00 and commented, "*Meter was spinning at a pretty fast speed and then it stopped spinning.*" This reflects approximately an additional 0.06 units of water had been used between 10:18 AM and 3:50 PM.
5. January 7, 2015 - A female caller identifying herself as your spouse called at 4:00 PM and requested the water meter be tested at a State of California Department of Weights & Measures certified test site. Your water meter (231843) was removed, taken to Zennor Meters in Banning, California, a State certified test site, and replaced with a temporary water meter.

6. January 8, 2015 -- The results of the certified test of water meter (231843) passed and met the tolerance permitted by law. The test showed the meter accuracy as follows:

HIGH -- 99.8% Accurate MED. -- 99.8% Accurate LOW -- 101.1% Accurate

In reviewing your Customer Transaction History Summary (CTHS), it clearly reflects a monthly usage of 300 ft³ or less between the months of June 17, 2014 through November 26, 2014.

The spike in the water consumption in December 2014 is the characteristic of a possible leak on the customer side of the water meter. This statement is based on the water meter accuracy test results and the factual accounts recorded by staff and the observations noted by the water meter technician. I regret I am declining your request to adjust your December 11, 2014 water bill.

CABAZON WATER DISTRICT RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING WATER SERVICE

ARTICLE 7 -- General Use Regulations

7.5 RESPONSIBILITY FOR PRIVATE PLUMBING FACILITIES

The District has no responsibility in the maintenance and operation of a Customer's water system beyond the meter and point of ownership by the District. The Customer shall be responsible and liable for their own water systems. Customers shall, at Customer's risk and expense, furnish, install, and keep in good and safe condition all equipment that may be required for receiving, controlling, applying, and utilizing water. The District shall not be responsible for any loss or damage caused by the improper care or wrongful act of the Customer or of any of Customer's tenants, agents, employees, contractors, licensees, or permittees in installing or maintaining, using, operating, or interfering with such equipment. The District shall not be responsible for damage to property caused by spigots, faucets, valves, faulty pipes, and other equipment that are open when water is turned on at the meter, either when the water is turned on originally or when turned after a temporary turn off. Customers having water heaters, boilers, refrigeration, or other devices requiring a continuous water supply should take all necessary action to prevent damage or the causing of injury to such devices requiring continuous water supply should take all necessary action to prevent damage or the causing of injury to such devices as a result of the shutting off of the water supply. At the discretion of the District, a meter bypass shall be installed as a part of the service to provide for a continuous supply of water during removal or repair of the meter. The District shall be kept whole and harmless at all times of any claims resulting from matters involving quantities, quality, time or occasion of delivery, or any other phase of the maintenance, operation, and service of a Customer's water system.

Your water account currently has an outstanding balance of \$70.20 to this account. This amount is due on or before January 26, 2015.

If you are having difficulties in paying the amount due, you can avoid having your water service interrupted, all penalties, interests, and water restoration fees, by contacting the District's Customer Account Department and make payment arrangements.

Cabazon Water District Rules & Regulations Governing Water Service

Article 10 Discontinuance and Restoration of Service

10.1.4 Termination for non-payment

- b) *The District shall make a reasonable, good faith effort to contact an adult person residing at the premises of the Customer by telephone or in person at least 48 hours prior to any termination of service except that whenever telephone or personal contact cannot be accomplished, District shall give, by mail or by posting in a conspicuous location at the premises, a notice of termination of service, at least 48 hours prior to termination. (Gov. Code, § 60373(b).)*

Article 11 METER READING, BILLING, AND COLLECTION

11.1.4 Delinquent Accounts

The bill for water service is delinquent if not paid within 30 days after billing. When delinquency occurs, a final notice will be mailed to the billing address. If payment has not been received 15 days after final notice has been issued, the service address, if different from the billing address, will be tagged 48 hours in advance of scheduled turnoff to give the occupant opportunity to pay the outstanding account. If the occupant does not pay the outstanding account or make arrangements for payment by the date of scheduled turnoff, then service may be discontinued without further notice.

Service shall not be restored to the premises until all charges which are delinquent, including fees, if any, have been paid in full. An owner whose deposit has been discontinued for nonpayment of bills or whose deposit shall have been applied in whole or in part of the payment of any bills, will be required to reestablish credit by a cash deposit. A Customer who has a delinquency on any premises may not receive new water service on another premises until all delinquencies, including fees, are paid in full. Additionally, when a service has been turned off for nonpayment, all charges may be transferred to another account held in the sole name of the same owner. This account will become delinquent if payment is not made within 15 days from the date of delinquency transfer, and will be subject to turnoff without further notice. The District may file liens against the property to enforce collection of delinquent accounts.

You may also appeal the decision from Management to the Cabazon Water District Board of Directors. The regular Board meetings are scheduled every third Monday of the month, unless there are conflicting National holidays the District observes. It is always advisable to call in advance to confirm the schedule of the regular Board meetings.

Article 10 Discontinuance and Restoration of Service

10.1.3 Notice and Termination for Nonpayment of Delinquent Account

- d) *Any Customer whose complaint or request for an investigation pursuant to paragraph (c) has resulted in an adverse determination by the District may appeal the determination to the Board. Any subsequent appeal of the dispute or complaint to the Board is not subject to this section. (Gov. Code, § 60372(d).)*

In order to be placed on the Agenda, you must submit a Customer Account Review Request with your written concerns about your water usage and request to address the Board on or before the previous Monday of the regular scheduled Board meeting.

For example, the next Board meeting is scheduled for January 26, 2015, the fourth Monday of the month. The reason is because the third Monday of this month, January 19, 2015 is Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, a National holiday the District observes. In order to be placed on the January 2015 Board meeting's agenda you should submit your written request and attach all supporting

documents you wish the Board to review on or before the end of the business day, 4:30 PM, Thursday, January 15, 2015. I hope this has been helpful to you. Please free feel to call the District if you have any further questions.

Regards,

Calvin Louie
General Manager

WO Number 00000008143

WO Code & Description: 090 INSTALL NEW SERVICE

INFORMATION ASSIGNED BY OFFICE

NAME: <u>NICHOLAS CHRISTIANSEN</u>	PHONE NO.: _____
SERVICE ID: <u>3-526202018</u>	ISSUE DATE: <u>08/11/2014</u>
ACCOUNT NO: <u>3-3067NC</u>	PROCESS DATE: <u>08/11/2014</u>
ROUTE NO: <u>8</u> READ SEQ: <u>00048</u>	PROCESS TIME: <u>12:00 PM</u>
ADDRESS: <u>MISSION</u>	REQUESTED BY: <u>CALVIN</u>
METER NUMBER: <u>231843</u>	ASSIGNED TO: <u>JD</u>

Comments:

INSTALL NEW SERVICE X STREET CARMEN
USA ATTACHED

INFORMATION FROM THE FIELD

OLD METER READING: 3600.00000 OLD METER #: 231843 REMOTE METER #: _____
 NEW METER READING: _____ NEW METER #: _____ SEAL #: _____

Comments:

NEW SERVICE INSTALLED OUT METER 1673871-READ 513400
 IN METER 231843-0

UTILITY NOTES: _____ PREVIOUS READ: 3600.00000 DATE: 01/12/2015

WORK DONE BY: _____ DATE COMPLETED: 12/01/2014

Labor Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Labor Charges			

Material Charges				
Part #	Item	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Total Material Charges				

Equipment Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Equipment Charges			

Outside Vendor Charges			
Name	PO Number	Job Date	Amount
Total Vendor Charges			

Charge Summary	
Labor Charges	
Equipment Charges	
Material Charges	
Vendor Charges	
Total	

Number 00000008564

WO Code & Description: O10 RE-READ

INFORMATION ASSIGNED BY OFFICE

NAME: NICHOLAS CHRISTIANSEN
 SERVICE ID: 3-526202018
 ACCOUNT NO: 3-3067NC
 ROUTE NO: 8 READ SEQ: 00048
 ADDRESS: MISSION
 METER NUMBER: 231843

PHONE NO.: _____
 ISSUE DATE: 01/05/2015
 PROCESS DATE: 01/05/2015
 PROCESS TIME: 02:00 PM
 REQUESTED BY: _____
 ASSIGNED TO: _____

Comments:

Reread meter - Customer complained that bill was too high. Customer normally uses around 300 cf a month.

INFORMATION FROM THE FIELD

OLD METER READING: 3600.00000 OLD METER #: 231843 REMOTE METER #: _____
 NEW METER READING: _____ NEW METER #: _____ SEAL #: _____

Comments:

Reading was 2900. Also reread meter on 1/6/15 at 10:18 am. 100cf additional usage was on meter since yesterday. Meter not spinning. Notified owner.

UTILITY NOTES: _____ PREVIOUS READ: 3600.00000 DATE: 01/12/2015

COMPLETED BY: _____ DATE COMPLETED: 01/06/2015

Labor Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Labor Charges			

Material Charges				
Part #	Item	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Total Material Charges				

Equipment Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Equipment Charges			

Outside Vendor Charges			
Name	PO Number	Job Date	Amount
Total Vendor Charges			

Charge Summary	
Labor Charges	
Equipment Charges	
Material Charges	
Vendor Charges	
Total	

VO Number 00000008569

WO Code & Description: O10 RE-READ

INFORMATION ASSIGNED BY OFFICE

NAME: <u>NICHOLAS CHRISTIANSEN</u>	PHONE NO.: _____
SERVICE ID: <u>3-526202018</u>	ISSUE DATE: <u>01/06/2015</u>
ACCOUNT NO: <u>3-3067NC</u>	PROCESS DATE: <u>01/06/2015</u>
ROUTE NO: <u>8</u> READ SEQ: <u>00048</u>	PROCESS TIME: <u>11:00 AM</u>
ADDRESS: <u>MISSION</u>	REQUESTED BY: _____
METER NUMBER: <u>231843</u>	ASSIGNED TO: _____

Comments:

Reread meter for second time today. Check if spinning. Check other meter in same box as well (neighbor's meter). Spoke to owner - unsure why usage is so high.

INFORMATION FROM THE FIELD

OLD METER READING: 3600.00000 OLD METER #: 231843 REMOTE METER #: _____
 NEW METER READING: _____ NEW METER #: _____ SEAL #: _____

Comments:

W/O ATTACHED TO CUSTOMER FILE USAGE GOING UP CUSTOMER NOTIFIED

UTILITY NOTES: _____ PREVIOUS READ: 3600.00000 DATE: 01/12/2015

WORK DONE BY: _____ DATE COMPLETED: 01/22/2015

Labor Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Labor Charges			

Equipment Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Equipment Charges			

Material Charges				
Part #	Item	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Total Material Charges				

Outside Vendor Charges			
Name	PO Number	Job Date	Amount
Total Vendor Charges			

Charge Summary	
Labor Charges	
Equipment Charges	
Material Charges	
Vendor Charges	
Total	

Work Order

WO Number 000000008574

WO Code & Description: 007 TEST METER

INFORMATION ASSIGNED BY OFFICE

NAME: <u>NICHOLAS CHRISTIANSEN</u>	PHONE NO.: _____
SERVICE ID: <u>3-526202018</u>	ISSUE DATE: <u>01/07/2015</u>
ACCOUNT NO: <u>3-3067NC</u>	PROCESS DATE: <u>01/07/2015</u>
ROUTE NO: <u>8</u> READ SEQ: <u>00048</u>	PROCESS TIME: <u>04:30 PM</u>
ADDRESS: <u>MISSION</u>	REQUESTED BY: _____
METER NUMBER: <u>231843</u>	ASSIGNED TO: _____

Comments:

CHANGE OUT METER. HAVE TESTED.

INFORMATION FROM THE FIELD

OLD METER READING: 3600.00000 OLD METER #: 231843 REMOTE METER #: _____
 NEW METER READING: _____ NEW METER #: _____ SEAL #: _____

Comments:

METER TAKEN OUT TO BE TESTED. TEST CAME BACK OK. METER GOOD

UTILITY NOTES: _____ PREVIOUS READ: 3600.00000 DATE: 01/12/2015
 WORK DONE BY: _____ DATE COMPLETED: 01/22/2015

Labor Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Labor Charges			

Material Charges				
Part #	Item	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Total Material Charges				

Equipment Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Equipment Charges			

Outside Vendor Charges			
Name	PO Number	Job Date	Amount
Total Vendor Charges			

Charge Summary	
Labor Charges	
Equipment Charges	
Material Charges	
Vendor Charges	
Total	

WO Number 00000008587

WO Code & Description: 006 CHECK FOR ACTIVITY

INFORMATION ASSIGNED BY OFFICE

NAME: NICHOLAS CHRISTIANSEN
 SERVICE ID: 3-526202018
 ACCOUNT NO: 3-3067NC
 ROUTE NO: 8 READ SEQ: 00048
 ADDRESS: MISSION
 METER NUMBER: 231843

PHONE NO.: _____
 ISSUE DATE: 01/13/2015
 PROCESS DATE: 01/13/2015
 PROCESS TIME: 12:30 PM
 REQUESTED BY: _____
 ASSIGNED TO: _____

Comments:

check what the usage is on the new meter. Just for curiosity

INFORMATION FROM THE FIELD

OLD METER READING: 3600.00000 OLD METER #: 231843 REMOTE METER #: _____
 NEW METER READING: _____ NEW METER #: _____ SEAL #: _____

Comments:

Read is at 100

UTILITY NOTES:

PREVIOUS READ: 3600.00000 DATE: 01/12/2015

WORK DONE BY:

DATE COMPLETED: 01/13/2015

Labor Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Labor Charges			

Material Charges				
Part #	Item	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Total Material Charges				

Equipment Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Equipment Charges			

Outside Vendor Charges			
Name	PO Number	Job Date	Amount
Total Vendor Charges			

Charge Summary	
Labor Charges	
Equipment Charges	
Material Charges	
Vendor Charges	
Total	

WO Code & Description: 023 CUST. COMPLAINT

WO Number 000000008594

INFORMATION ASSIGNED BY OFFICE

NAME: NICHOLAS CHRISTIANSEN
 SERVICE ID: 3-526202018
 ACCOUNT NO: 3-3067NC
 ROUTE NO: 8 READ SEQ: 00048
 ADDRESS: MISSION
 METER NUMBER: 231843

PHONE NO.: _____
 ISSUE DATE: 01/15/2015
 PROCESS DATE: 01/15/2015
 PROCESS TIME: 10:00 AM
 REQUESTED BY: Ellen
 ASSIGNED TO: FLD

Comments:

Get read and take picture of the yard.

INFORMATION FROM THE FIELD

OLD METER READING: 3600.00000 OLD METER #: 231843 REMOTE METER #: _____
 NEW METER READING: _____ NEW METER #: _____ SBAL #: _____

Comments:

PICTURES TAKEN AND ATTACHED TO CUSTOMER FILES.

UTILITY NOTES: _____ PREVIOUS READ: 3600.00000 DATE: 01/12/2015
 X DONE BY: _____ DATE COMPLETED: 01/22/2015

Labor Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Labor Charges			
Equipment Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Equipment Charges			

Material Charges				
Part #	Item	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Total Material Charges				

Outside Vendor Charges			
Name	PO Number	Job Date	Amount
Total Vendor Charges			

Charge Summary	
Labor Charges	
Equipment Charges	
Material Charges	
Vendor Charges	
Total	

WO Number 00000008611

WO Code & Description: 012 CHANGE OUT METER

INFORMATION ASSIGNED BY OFFICE

NAME: <u>NICHOLAS CHRISTIANSEN</u>	PHONE NO.: _____
SERVICE ID: <u>3-526202018</u>	ISSUE DATE: <u>01/15/2015</u>
ACCOUNT NO: <u>3-3067NC</u>	PROCESS DATE: <u>01/15/2015</u>
ROUTE NO: <u>8</u> RBAD SEQ: <u>00048</u>	PROCESS TIME: <u>02:30 PM</u>
ADDRESS: <u>MISSION</u>	REQUESTED BY: <u>calvin</u>
METER NUMBER: <u>231843</u>	ASSIGNED TO: <u>FLD</u>

Comments:

Put the tested meter back in proerty. Test came out good. meter number: 231843- start read 31.45

INFORMATION FROM THE FIELD

OLD METER READING: 3600.00000 OLD METER #: 231843 REMOTE METER #: _____
 NEW METER READING: _____ NEW METER #: _____ SEAL #: _____

Comments:

TESTED METER PUT BACK IN PROPERTY.

UTILITY NOTES: _____ PREVIOUS READ: 3600.00000 DATE: 01/12/2015

WORK DONE BY: _____ DATE COMPLETED: 01/22/2015

Labor Charges			
Rate	Hours	Amount	
Total Labor Charges			

Material Charges				
Part #	Item	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Total Material Charges				

Equipment Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Equipment Charges			

Outside Vendor Charges			
Name	PO Number	Job Date	Amount
Total Vendor Charges			

Charge Summary	
Labor Charges	
Equipment Charges	
Material Charges	
Vendor Charges	
Total	

Number 080000008612

WO Code & Description: 012 CHANGE OUT METER

INFORMATION ASSIGNED BY OFFICE

NAME: NICHOLAS CHRISTIANSEN
 SERVICE ID: 3-526202018
 ACCOUNT NO: 3-3067NC
 ROUTE NO: 8 READ SEQ: 00048
 ADDRESS: MISSION
 METER NUMBER: 231843

PHONE NO.: _____
 ISSUE DATE: 01/20/2015
 PROCESS DATE: 01/20/2015
 PROCESS TIME: 01:00 PM
 REQUESTED BY: _____
 ASSIGNED TO: _____

Comments:

Put the tested meter back into this service . Meter number 231834-Read 31 (45)

INFORMATION FROM THE FIELD

OLD METER READING: 3600.00000 OLD METER #: 231843 REMOTE METER #: _____
 NEW METER READING: _____ NEW METER #: _____ SEAL #: _____

Comments:

TESTED METER PUT BACK IN BY CLAY 1/21/2015

UTILITY NOTES: _____ PREVIOUS READ: 3600.00000 DATE: 01/12/2015

WORK DONE BY: _____ DATE COMPLETED: 01/22/2015

Labor Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Labor Charges			

Equipment Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Equipment Charges			

Material Charges				
Part #	Item	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Total Material Charges				

Outside Vendor Charges			
Name	PO Number	Job Date	Amount
Total Vendor Charges			

Charge Summary	
Labor Charges	
Equipment Charges	
Material Charges	
Vendor Charges	
Total	

Definitions

Section 10721.

(j) "Groundwater sustainability agency" means one or more local agencies that implement the provisions of this part. For purposes of imposing fees pursuant to Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 10730) or taking action to enforce a groundwater sustainability plan, "groundwater sustainability agency" also means each local agency comprising the groundwater sustainability agency if the plan authorizes separate agency action.

(k) "Groundwater sustainability plan" or "plan" means a plan of a groundwater sustainability agency proposed or adopted pursuant to this part.

Ground Water Sustainability Plans: Timing

Section 10720.7.

(a) (1) By January 31, 2020, all basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins by the department that have been designated in Bulletin 118, as may be updated or revised on or before January 1, 2017, as basins that are subject to critical conditions of overdraft shall be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans pursuant to this part.

(2) By January 31, 2022, all basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins by the department that are not subject to paragraph (1) shall be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans pursuant to this part.

(b) The Legislature encourages and authorizes basins designated as low- and very low priority basins by the department to be managed under groundwater sustainability plans pursuant to this part. Chapter 11 (commencing with Section 10735) does not apply to a basin designated as a low- or very low priority basin.

Groundwater Sustainability Plans: Content

Section 10727.2.

A groundwater sustainability plan shall include all of the following:

(a) A description of the physical setting and characteristics of the aquifer system underlying the basin that includes the following:

(1) Historical data, to the extent available.

(2) Groundwater levels, groundwater quality, subsidence, and groundwater-surface water interaction.

(3) A general discussion of historical and projected water demands and supplies.

(4) A map that details the area of the basin and the boundaries of the groundwater sustainability agencies that overlie the basin that have or are developing groundwater sustainability plans.

(5) A map identifying existing and potential recharge areas for the basin. The map or maps shall identify the existing recharge areas that substantially contribute to the replenishment of the groundwater basin. The map or maps shall be provided to the appropriate local planning agencies after adoption of the groundwater sustainability plan.

(g) A description of the consideration given to the applicable county and city general plans and a description of the various adopted water resources-related plans and programs within the basin and an assessment of how the groundwater sustainability plan may affect those plans.

Section 10727.4.

In addition to the requirements of Section 10727.2, a groundwater sustainability plan shall include, where appropriate and in collaboration with the appropriate local agencies, all of the following:

- (a) Control of saline water intrusion.
- (b) Wellhead protection areas and recharge areas.
- (c) Migration of contaminated groundwater.
- (d) A well abandonment and well destruction program.
- (e) Replenishment of groundwater extractions.
- (f) Activities implementing, opportunities for, and removing impediments to, conjunctive use or underground storage.
- (g) Well construction policies.
- (h) Measures addressing groundwater contamination cleanup, recharge, diversions to storage, conservation, water recycling, conveyance, and extraction projects.
- (i) Efficient water management practices, as defined in Section 10902, for the delivery of water and water conservation methods to improve the efficiency of water use.
- (j) Efforts to develop relationships with state and federal regulatory agencies.
- (k) Processes to review land use plans and efforts to coordinate with land use planning agencies to assess activities that potentially create risks to groundwater quality or quantity.
- (l) Impacts on groundwater dependent ecosystems.

Groundwater Sustainability Agency: Powers and Authorities

Section 10725.

- (a) A groundwater sustainability agency may exercise any of the powers described in this chapter in implementing this part, in addition to, and not as a limitation on, any existing authority, if the groundwater sustainability agency adopts and submits to the department a groundwater sustainability plan or prescribed alternative documentation in accordance with Section 10733.6.
- (b) A groundwater sustainability agency has and may use the powers in this chapter to provide the maximum degree of local control and flexibility consistent with the sustainability goals of this part.

Section 10725.2.

- (a) A groundwater sustainability agency may perform any act necessary or proper to carry out the purposes of this part.
- (b) A groundwater sustainability agency may adopt rules, regulations, ordinances, and resolutions for the purpose of this part, in compliance with any procedural requirements applicable to the adoption of a rule, regulation, ordinance, or resolution by the groundwater sustainability agency.
- (c) In addition to any other applicable procedural requirements, the groundwater sustainability agency shall provide notice of the proposed adoption of the groundwater sustainability plan on

An entity within the area of a groundwater sustainability plan shall report the diversion of surface water to underground storage to the groundwater sustainability agency for the relevant portion of the basin.

Section 10726.2.

A groundwater sustainability agency may do the following:

- (a) Acquire by grant, purchase, lease, gift, devise, contract, construction, or otherwise, and hold, use, enjoy, sell, let, and dispose of, real and personal property of every kind, including lands, water rights, structures, buildings, rights-of-way, easements, and privileges, and construct, maintain, alter, and operate any and all works or improvements, within or outside the agency, necessary or proper to carry out any of the purposes of this part.
- (b) Appropriate and acquire surface water or groundwater and surface water or groundwater rights, import surface water or groundwater into the agency, and conserve and store within or outside the agency that water for any purpose necessary or proper to carry out the provisions of this part, including, but not limited to, the spreading, storing, retaining, or percolating into the soil of the waters for subsequent use or in a manner consistent with the provisions of Section 10727.2. As part of this authority, the agency shall not alter another person's or agency's existing groundwater conjunctive use or storage program except upon a finding that the conjunctive use or storage program interferes with implementation of the agency's groundwater sustainability plan.
- (c) Provide for a program of voluntary fallowing of agricultural lands or validate an existing program.
- (d) Perform any acts necessary or proper to enable the agency to purchase, transfer, deliver, or exchange water or water rights of any type with any person that may be necessary or proper to carry out any of the purposes of this part, including, but not limited to, providing surface water in exchange for a groundwater extractor's agreement to reduce or cease groundwater extractions. The agency shall not deliver retail water supplies within the service area of a public water system without either the consent of that system or authority under the agency's existing authorities.
- (e) Transport, reclaim, purify, desalinate, treat, or otherwise manage and control polluted water, wastewater, or other waters for subsequent use in a manner that is necessary or proper to carry out the purposes of this part.
- (f) Commence, maintain, intervene in, defend, compromise, and assume the cost and expenses of any and all actions and proceedings.

Section 10726.4.

(a) A groundwater sustainability agency shall have the following additional authority and may regulate groundwater extraction using that authority:

- (1) To impose spacing requirements on new groundwater well construction to minimize well interference and impose reasonable operating regulations on existing groundwater wells to minimize well interference, including requiring extractors to operate on a rotation basis.
- (2) To control groundwater extractions by regulating, limiting, or suspending extractions from individual groundwater wells or extractions from groundwater wells in the aggregate, construction of new groundwater wells, enlargement of existing groundwater wells, or reactivation of abandoned groundwater wells, or otherwise establishing groundwater extraction allocations. Those actions shall be consistent with the applicable elements of the city or county general plan, unless there is insufficient sustainable yield in the basin to serve a land use

(b) Nothing in this part shall be construed as authorizing a local agency to make a binding determination of the water rights of any person or entity.

(c) Nothing in this part is a limitation on the authority of the board, the department, or the State Department of Public Health.

(d) Notwithstanding Section 6103 of the Government Code, a state or local agency that extracts groundwater shall be subject to a fee imposed under this part to the same extent as any nongovernmental entity.

(e) Except as provided in subdivision (d), this part does not authorize a local agency to impose any requirement on the state or any agency, department, or officer of the state. State agencies and departments shall work cooperatively with a local agency on a voluntary basis.

(f) Nothing in this chapter or a groundwater sustainability plan shall be interpreted as superseding the land use authority of cities and counties, including the city or county general plan, within the overlying basin.



Cabazon Water District

P.O. Box 297 -- 14618 Broadway Street
Cabazon, California 92230
(951) 849-4442

Customer Account Review Request

Customer Information

Service Address: Mission St Date: 2/9/15
Applicant Name: Christiansen Nicholas E
Last First M.I.
Account Number: 3-320-110 Date of Water Bill Requesting to Review: 12/11/15 and 1/12/2015

Description of the Reason for your Request to have your Water Bill Reviewed

(ATTACHED ADDITIONAL PAGES IF REQUIRED, PHOTOS, AND SUPPORTING EVIDENCE)

For the last 2 years our usage of water has been 100-400 ccf after new piping and meter water went up 2000 ccf usage. They only ran the meter test of the new meter, but not our old meter. We would only use 2500 ccf for a whole year and now that is what we are getting charged every month. We even lowered sprinkler usage and everything in house has stayed the same. Also no leaks on our side. ~~Proposed to take further~~

What is your proposed resolution?

(PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL TO RESOLVE THIS MATTER)

I would like further testing to get to the bottom of the problem. Also better customer service and professionalism from the store management (woman).

Management Response

(SEE ATTACHED COPY OF THE RESPONSE FROM MANAGEMENT TO CUSTOMER)

Date of Response to Customer: _____ Response made by: _____

Status and Date of offer made to Customer: ACCEPTED: / /

DECLINED: / /

DECLINED/REQUEST for APPEAL to Water Board: / /

In addition, the water meter reader uses a handheld meter reading device. The new meter reading tools alert the Customer Accounts Department (CAD) of any unusual or high water usage. The CAD in turn issues a work order to have the meter reread before publication of bills.

ARTICLE & - GENERAL USE REGULATIONS

7.3 RESPONSIBILITY FOR EQUIPMENT ON PREMISES

All facilities installed by the District on private property for the purpose of rendering water service, up to and including the water meter, shall remain the property of the District and may be maintained, repaired or replaced by the District without consent or interference of the owner or other Customer. The owner or Customer shall use reasonable care in the protection of the facilities. No payment shall be made by the District for placing or maintaining said facilities on private property.

The District reserves the right to continue the use of the current water meter (#00231843) which on January 8, 2015 it tested 99.8% accurate.

You have been placed on the agenda to address the water board at the next regular Board meeting scheduled for Monday, February 23, 2015, at 6:00 PM in the Board/Multi-purpose room located at 14618 Broadway Street, Cabazon, CA 92230.

If you will be unable to appear during the February 23, 2015 Board meeting, please notify the District office ahead of time. Failure to appear before the Board of Directors (Board) does not prohibit the Board from making a decision regarding your request/account.

I hope this has been helpful to you. Please free feel to call the District if you have any further questions.

Regards,


Calvin Louis
General Manager



Cabazon Water District

14816 Broadway Street • P.O. Box 297
Cabazon, California 92230

January 15, 2015

Mr. Nicholas Christiansen
Mission Avenue
Cabazon, California 92230

RE: Water Account #3-526202018

Dear Mr. Christiansen,

I appreciate you taking the time in sharing your concerns about your water usage. You stated your average monthly water consumption is generally around 300 cubic feet (ft³) of water. A brief summary of events are as follows;

1. December 11, 2014 - water bill was for 2000 ft³ of water used.
2. January 5, 2015 - Your water meter (231843) was read again on. The water meter reading was 0029.00.
3. January 6, 2015 - Your spouse contacted the office and inquired about a potential mistake in reading the water meter or human error in transposing the numbers on the wrong side of the decimal. The Water District's water meter re-read your water meter at approximately 10:18 AM. The water meter reading showed a reading of 0030.94, a 1.95 ft³ increase of water usage within twenty (20) hours and eighteen (18) minutes. This represents almost two hundred (2) cubic feet or two units of water being used. (7.48 gal = 1ft³ & 1 unit = 100 ft³)
4. January 6, 2015 - At approximately 3:50 PM, your water meter was re-read again. The Water District's water meter technician recorded the water meter reading to be 0031.00 and commented, "*Meter was spinning at a pretty fast speed and then it stopped spinning.*" This reflects approximately an additional 0.06 units of water had been used between 10:18 AM and 3:50 PM.
5. January 7, 2015 - A female caller identifying herself as your spouse called at 4:00 PM and requested the water meter be tested at a State of California Department of Weights & Measures certified test site. Your water meter (231843) was removed, taken to Zenner Meters in Banning, California, a State certified test site, and replaced with a temporary water meter.

Cabazon Water District Rules & Regulations Governing Water Service

Article 10 Discontinuance and Restoration of Service

10.1.4 Termination for non-payment

- b) *The District shall make a reasonable, good faith effort to contact an adult person residing at the premises of the Customer by telephone or in person at least 48 hours prior to any termination of service except that whenever telephone or personal contact cannot be accomplished, District shall give, by mail or by posting in a conspicuous location at the premises, a notice of termination of service, at least 48 hours prior to termination. (Gov. Code, § 60373(b).)*

Article 11 METER READING, BILLING, AND COLLECTION

11.1.4 Delinquent Accounts

The bill for water service is delinquent if not paid within 30 days after billing. When delinquency occurs, a final notice will be mailed to the billing address. If payment has not been received 15 days after final notice has been issued, the service address, if different from the billing address, will be tagged 48 hours in advance of scheduled turnoff to give the occupant opportunity to pay the outstanding account. If the occupant does not pay the outstanding account or make arrangements for payment by the date of scheduled turnoff, then service may be discontinued without further notice.

Service shall not be restored to the premises until all charges which are delinquent, including fees, if any, have been paid in full. An owner whose deposit has been discontinued for nonpayment of bills or whose deposit shall have been applied in whole or in part of the payment of any bills, will be required to reestablish credit by a cash deposit. A Customer who has a delinquency on any premises may not receive new water service on another premises until all delinquencies, including fees, are paid in full. Additionally, when a service has been turned off for nonpayment, all charges may be transferred to another account held in the sole name of the same owner. This account will become delinquent if payment is not made within 15 days from the date of delinquency transfer, and will be subject to turnoff without further notice. The District may file liens against the property to enforce collection of delinquent accounts.

You may also appeal the decision from Management to the Cabazon Water District Board of Directors. The regular Board meetings are scheduled every third Monday of the month, unless there are conflicting National holidays the District observes. It is always advisable to call in advance to confirm the schedule of the regular Board meetings.

Article 10 Discontinuance and Restoration of Service

10.1.3 Notice and Termination for Nonpayment of Delinquent Account

- d) *Any Customer whose complaint or request for an investigation pursuant to paragraph (c) has resulted in an adverse determination by the District may appeal the determination to the Board. Any subsequent appeal of the dispute or complaint to the Board is not subject to this section. (Gov. Code, § 60372(d).)*

In order to be placed on the Agenda, you must submit a Customer Account Review Request with your written concerns about your water usage and request to address the Board on or before the previous Monday of the regular scheduled Board meeting.

For example, the next Board meeting is scheduled for January 26, 2015, the fourth Monday of the month. The reason is because the third Monday of this month, January 19, 2015 is Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, a National holiday the District observes. In order to be placed on the January 2015 Board meeting's agenda you should submit your written request and attach all supporting

WO Number 00000008143

WO Code & Description: 090 INSTALL NEW SERVICE

INFORMATION ASSIGNED BY OFFICE

NAME: NICHOLAS CHRISTIANSEN PHONE NO.: _____
 SERVICE ID: 3-526202018 ISSUE DATE: 08/11/2014
 ACCOUNT NO: 3-3067NC PROCESS DATE: 08/11/2014
 ROUTE NO: 8 READ SEQ: 00048 PROCESS TIME: 12:00 PM
 ADDRESS: MISSION REQUESTED BY: CALVIN
 METER NUMBER: 231843 ASSIGNED TO: JD

Comments:

INSTALL NEW SERVICE X STREET CARMEN
 USA ATTACHED

INFORMATION FROM THE FIELD

OLD METER READING: 3600.00000 OLD METER #: 231843 REMOTE METER #: _____
 NEW METER READING: _____ NBW METER #: _____ SBAL #: _____

Comments:

NEW SERVICE INSTALLED OUT METER 1673871-READ 513400
 IN METER 231843-0

UTILITY NOTES: _____ PREVIOUS READ: 3600.00000 DATE: 01/12/2015

WORK DONE BY: _____ DATE COMPLETED: 12/01/2014

Labor Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Labor Charges			

Equipment Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Equipment Charges			

Material Charges				
Part #	Item	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Total Material Charges				

Outside Vendor Charges			
Name	PO Number	Job Date	Amount
Total Vendor Charges			

Charge Summary	
Labor Charges	
Equipment Charges	
Material Charges	
Vendor Charges	
Total	

WO Number 00000008569

WO Code & Description: 010 RE-READ

INFORMATION ASSIGNED BY OFFICE

NAME: <u>NICHOLAS CHRISTIANSEN</u>	PHONE NO.: _____
SERVICE ID: <u>3-526202018</u>	ISSUE DATE: <u>01/06/2015</u>
ACCOUNT NO: <u>3-3067NC</u>	PROCESS DATE: <u>01/06/2015</u>
ROUTE NO: <u>8</u> READ SEQ: <u>00048</u>	PROCESS TIME: <u>11:00 AM</u>
ADDRESS: <u>MISSION</u>	REQUESTED BY: _____
METER NUMBER: <u>231843</u>	ASSIGNED TO: _____

Comments:

Reread meter for second time today. Check if spinning. Check other meter in same box as well (neighbor's meter). Spoke to owner - unsure why usage is so high.

INFORMATION FROM THE FIELD

OLD METER READING: 3600.00000 OLD METER #: 231843 REMOTE METER #: _____
 NEW METER READING: _____ NEW METER #: _____ SEAL #: _____

Comments:

W/O ATTACHED TO CUSTOMER FILE USAGE GOING UP CUSTOMER NOTIFIED

UTILITY NOTES: _____ PREVIOUS READ: 3600.00000 DATE: 01/12/2015

WORK DONE BY: _____ DATE COMPLETED: 01/22/2015

Labor Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Labor Charges			

Equipment Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Equipment Charges			

Material Charges				
Part #	Item	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Total Material Charges				

Outside Vendor Charges			
Name	PO Number	Job Date	Amount
Total Vendor Charges			

Charge Summary	
Labor Charges	
Equipment Charges	
Material Charges	
Vendor Charges	
Total	

WO Number 00000008587

WO Code & Description: O06 CHECK FOR ACTIVITY

INFORMATION ASSIGNED BY OFFICE

NAME: NICHOLAS CHRISTIANSEN
 SERVICE ID: 3-526202018
 ACCOUNT NO: 3-3067NC
 ROUTE NO: 8 READ SBQ 00048
 ADDRESS: MISSION
 METER NUMBER: 231843

PHONE NO.: _____
 ISSUE DATE: 01/13/2015
 PROCESS DATE: 01/13/2015
 PROCESS TIME: 12:30 PM
 REQUESTED BY: _____
 ASSIGNED TO: _____

Comments:

check what the usage is on the new meter. Just for curiosity

INFORMATION FROM THE FIELD

OLD METER READING: 3600.00000 OLD METER #: 231843 REMOTE METER #: _____
 NEW METER READING: _____ NEW METER #: _____ SEAL #: _____

Comments:

Read is at 100

UTILITY NOTES: _____ PREVIOUS READ: 3600.00000 DATE: 01/12/2015
 WORK DONE BY: _____ DATE COMPLETED: 01/13/2015

Labor Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Labor Charges			

Material Charges				
Part #	Item	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Total Material Charges				

Equipment Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Equipment Charges			

Outside Vendor Charges			
Name	PO Number	Job Date	Amount
Total Vendor Charges			

Charge Summary	
Labor Charges	
Equipment Charges	
Material Charges	
Vendor Charges	
Total	

WO Number 00000008611

WO Code & Description: O12 CHANGE OUT METER

INFORMATION ASSIGNED BY OFFICE

NAME: NICHOLAS CHRISTIANSEN PHONE NO.: _____
 SERVICE ID: 3-526202018 ISSUE DATE: 01/15/2015
 ACCOUNT NO: 3-3067NC PROCESS DATE: 01/15/2015
 ROUTE NO: 8 READ SEQ: 00048 PROCESS TIME: 02:30 PM
 ADDRESS: MISSION REQUESTED BY: calvin
 METER NUMBER: 231843 ASSIGNED TO: PLD

Comments:

Put the tested meter back in proerty. Test came out good. meter number: 231843- start read 31.45

INFORMATION FROM THE FIELD

OLD METER READING: 3600.00000 OLD METER #: 231843 REMOTE METER #: _____
 NEW METER READING: _____ NEW METER #: _____ SEAL #: _____

Comments:

TESTED METER PUT BACK IN PROPERTY.

UTILITY NOTES: _____ PREVIOUS READ: 3600.00000 DATE: 01/12/2015

WORK DONE BY: _____ DATE COMPLETED: 01/22/2015

Labor Charges			
Rate	Hours	Amount	
Total Labor Charges			

Equipment Charges			
Name	Rate	Hours	Amount
Total Equipment Charges			

Material Charges				
Part #	Item	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Total Material Charges				

Outside Vendor Charges			
Name	PO Number	Job Date	Amount
Total Vendor Charges			

Charge Summary	
Labor Charges	
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Material Charges	
Vendor Charges	
Total	



MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 10, 2015
TO: Cabazon Water District Board of Directors
FROM: Calvin Louie - General Manager
SUBJ: Director Teresa Bui – Dishonesty
cc:

Background

During the regular scheduled Board meeting of the Cabazon Water District's Board of Directors, I (GM) provided a report of an investigation I conducted regarding a complaint filed by a resident, Ernie Saldana against the District's contractor and General Manager on February 5, 2015.

The GM reported to the Board that Mr. Saldana stated he observed the District's contractor taking sand from the wash (flood channel). Mr. Saldana inquired if the contractor had permission to take sand from the wash. Mr. Saldana also wrote on his written complaint dated February 5, 2015, *"Is it right for our General Manager to look the other way not acknowledge that this is not appropriate."*

Statement of Facts

At the February 23, 2015 Regular Board meeting, the GM reported to the Board the following on:

1. The GM told the Board the Contractor admitted to taking sand from the wash when the GM questioned him.
2. In the response letter to Mr. Saldana dated February 10, 2015, it was suggested to Mr. Saldana to contact either the Riverside Sheriff's Department or the County of Riverside Flood Control and share their (Saldana and Bui) observations and videos if they felt a violation had occurred.
3. The GM had determined the complaint as **UNFOUNDED** unless the majority of the Board directs the GM to take additional actions.
4. Director Bui, even though defending her husband's (Mr. Saldana) complaint, vigorously denied she was involved with the complaint when the GM brought up the fact that a resident had contacted him (GM), informing the GM that Director Bui was a) loitering around his (resident) property videotaping the District's contractor while working, b) stated she (Bui) was documenting how wasteful the water district was with rate payers money because of the numerous complaints about high water rates she (Bui) allegedly had received, and c) the resident had asked her to leave twice or he would call the Sheriff's Department.

Director Bui accused the GM of falsely manufacturing the facts of his investigation during the Board meeting of February 23, 2015.

"In fact, during the course of the investigation I spoke with the resident who had asked you...remembering me, twice to stop loitering around his (resident) property. This is going to be investigated because he didn't say that. That's you saying it. (Bui accusing Louie) And it will be investigated. In fact, he's very interested in the letter and we gave him a copy of it. So it's you (Bui referring to Louie) that will be under investigation, so you know it."

On March 2, 2015, Andy Brittain, the resident the GM had contacted on the day of investigating Mr. Saldana's complaint, contacted the District office about Mr. Saldana and implicating Director Bui's involvement in the incident that occurred on February 5, 2015. The resident reiterated, *"Ernie Saldana and his wife (Director Teresa Bui) were outside my home with a video camera. I asked them to leave before I called the police."*

The resident stated Mr. Saldana had returned to his house *"giving my wife a hard time"* about the statement he (Brittain) had given to the *"water company"* (GM). The resident indicated Mr. Saldana did leave a copy of the letter the GM had sent to Mr. Saldana on February 10, 2015 and his (Saldana) cell number.

The resident requested the District to ask him to not return to my house and that its private property".

Opinions & Conclusions

- Based on the statements and facts, it is clear that Director Bui was working in concert with her husband, Mr. Ernie Saldana in forming the complaint against the District's contractor and the GM (Louie). Director Bui's actions plainly depicts she was very involved with aiding Mr. Saldana's recent complaint against the District's contractor and GM.
- This is not the first occasion Director Bui has knowingly participated in making public defamatory comments, false and erroneous allegations against the GM (Louie).

Remedies

1. The General Manager Calvin Louie **DEMANDS** a written and public apology from Director Bui for accusing him of fabricating that she (Director Bui) was loitering about a resident's property while videotaping the District's contractor repair crew and the resident had asked Director Bui twice to leave or he would call the police.

Director Bui's unceasing erroneous and false allegations against the GM, coupled with the resident's unsolicited complaint against her husband's action, including her participation during the incident at the Eucalyptus Ave. job site on February 5, 2015, undoubtedly shows Director Bui was dishonest in her reply accusing the General Manager, Calvin Louie contrived the facts of his report.

2. The General Manager Calvin Louie request water board members, Director Kerri Mariner, Director Janet Mejia, Director Martin Sanderson, and Director Joseph Tobias vote to censor Director Bui's demeanor and actions. It is in my opinion, Director Bui's actions are an embarrassment and a liability to the District in her behavior which is not fitting with the mission of the Cabazon Water District and its Board of Directors.
3. The General Manager Calvin Louie request the Board of Directors to approve a letter to the resident and water customer that submitted the complaint apologizing on behalf of the District for the incident; explaining the Cabazon Water District has no control over Mr. Saldana's actions.

Further, the Board of Directors does not agree with Director Bui's actions, who Bui is acting independently and her demeanor which is not fitting with the mission of the Cabazon Water District and its Board of Directors.

25-06-15

Approximately A week Ago Earnie Saladang
and his wife were outside my Home
with a video camera I Asked them
to leave before I called the police.

Few days later he Returned to
my house giving my wife a hard
time About the statement I had
given the water company And Asking
me to Call him, he left a copy
of a letter that was written to
him with his cell #

Please ASK Him to not Return
to my house its private property

Thankyou

Andy Brittain