

NOTICE AND AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1
will be held at **3:00 P.M., Tuesday, January 19, 2021**

VIDEO/TELECONFERENCE MEETING ONLY - NO PHYSICAL MEETING LOCATION

Public Participation:

Video: <https://zoom.us/j/92900399487>

or

Teleconference Phone Number: 1-669-900-9128

Meeting ID: 929 0039 9487#

Pin Number 180175#

Video/Teleconference Meeting During Coronavirus (COVID-19) Emergency: As a result of the COVID-19 emergency and Governor Newsom’s Executive Orders to protect public health by issuing shelter-in-home standards, limiting public gatherings, and requiring social distancing, this meeting will occur solely via video/teleconference as authorized by and in furtherance of Executive Order Nos. N-29-20 and N-33-20.

Important Notice Regarding Public Participation in This Meeting: For those who wish to provide public comment on an Agenda Item, or who otherwise are making a presentation to the Board of Trustees, please submit any and all comments and materials to the District via electronic mail at general@syrd.org. All submittals must be received by the District no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, January 18, 2021, and should indicate “**January 19, 2021 Board Meeting**” in the subject line. To the extent practicable, public comments and materials received in advance pursuant to this timeframe will be read into the public record during the meeting. Public comments and materials not read into the record will become part of the post-meeting Board packet materials available to the public and posted on the District’s website.

In the interest of clear reception and efficient administration of the meeting, all persons participating in this video/teleconference are respectfully requested to mute their voices after dialing-in and at all times unless speaking.

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **REPORT BY THE SECRETARY TO THE BOARD REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS FOR POSTING OF THE NOTICE AND AGENDA**
4. **ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS, IF ANY, TO THE AGENDA**
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT** - Any member of the public may address the Board relating to any non-agenda matter within the District’s jurisdiction. The total time for all public participation shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes and the time allotted for each individual shall not exceed three (3) minutes. The District is not responsible for the content or accuracy of statements made by members of the public. No action will be taken by the Board on any public comment item.
6. **CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE**
 - A. **General Manager’s Report**
7. **CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 15, 2020**
8. **CONSENT AGENDA** - All items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be approved or rejected in a single motion without separate discussion. Any item placed on the Consent Agenda can be removed and placed on the Regular Agenda for discussion and possible action upon the request of any Trustee.
 - CA-1. **Water Supply and Production Report**
 - CA-2. **Central Coast Water Authority Updates**

9. MANAGER REPORTS - STATUS, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE BOARD ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

A. DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

1. Financial Report on Administrative Matters
 - a) Presentation of Monthly Financial Statements – Revenues and Expenses
 - b) Approval of Accounts Payable
 - c) Six-Month FY 2020-2021 Budget Update
 - d) Quarterly Balance Sheet inclusive of Reserve Accounts – December 31, 2020
 - e) Continuing Disclosure Document & Rate Covenant Coverage for 2020 Series “A” CCWA Bond
 - f) Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber & Schreck – Amendment to Agreement for Legal Services

10. REPORT, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE BOARD ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

A. CACHUMA PROJECT

1. Water Service Contract No. I75r-1802R and I75r-1802RA – Santa Barbara County Water Agency Request for Long Term Contract

B. SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT

1. Eastern Management Area Update

C. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

1. General Update

11. UPDATE FROM ALTERNATIVE POWER/SOLAR AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE

12. REPORTS BY THE BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF, QUESTIONS OF STAFF, STATUS REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMMITTEE REPORTS, OBSERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS AND/OR COMMUNICATIONS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

13. CORRESPONDENCE: GENERAL MANAGER RECOMMENDS FILING OF VARIOUS ITEMS

14. REQUESTS FOR ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED ON THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING AGENDA: Any member of the Board of Trustees may place an item on the meeting Agenda for the next regular meeting. Any member of the public may submit a written request to the General Manager of the District to place an item on a future meeting Agenda, provided that the General Manager and the Board of Trustees retain sole discretion to determine which items to include on meeting Agendas.

15. NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES: The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for **February 16, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.**

16. CLOSED SESSION:

To accommodate the video/teleconferencing format of this meeting, the public participation access will be closed for thirty (30) minutes while the Board of Trustees convenes into closed session. Upon the conclusion of the 30-minute period, the public participation access will be reopened for the remaining Agenda Items. The Board will hold a closed session to discuss the following item:

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

[Subdivision (d)(1) of Section 54956.9 of the Government Code – 1 case]

1. Name of Case: Adjudicatory proceedings pending before the State Water Resources Control Board regarding Permit 15878 issued on Application 22423 to the City of Solvang, Petitions for Change, and Related Protests

Public access to the meeting (Weblink, Dial-In Number, Passcodes above) will be reopened thirty (30) minutes after the Board of Trustees convenes into closed session.

17. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

[Sections 54957.1 and 54957.7 of the Government Code]

18. ADJOURNMENT

This Agenda was posted at 3622 Sagunto Street, Santa Ynez, California, and notice was delivered in accordance with Government Code Section 54950, specifically Section 54956. This Agenda contains a brief general description of each item to be considered. The Board reserves the right to change the order in which items are heard. Copies of the staff reports or other written documentation relating to each item of business on the Agenda are on file with the District and available for public inspection during normal business hours. A person who has a question concerning any of the Agenda items may call the District's General Manager at (805) 688-6015. Written materials relating to an item on this Agenda that are distributed to the Board of Trustees within 72 hours (for Regular meetings) or 24 hours (for Special meetings) before it is to consider the item at its regularly or special scheduled meeting(s) will be made available for public inspection at 3622 Sagunto Street, during normal business hours. Such written materials will also be made available on the District's website, subject to staff's ability to post the documents before the regularly scheduled meeting. If you challenge any of the Board's decisions related to the Agenda items above in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence to the Board prior to the public hearing.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance with review Agenda materials or participate in this meeting, please contact the District Secretary at (805) 688-6015. Notification 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable the District to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.

HEALTH OFFICER ORDER NO. 2020-12.17
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

FOR THE CONTROL OF COVID-19
PHASED REOPENING WITHIN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

Health Officer Order No. 2020-12.17 Supersedes and Replaces Health Officer Order
No. 2020-12.16

Effective Date: December 23, 2020, 5:00 p.m. PDT

(Changes are underlined.)

Please read this Order carefully. Violation of or failure to comply with this Order may constitute a misdemeanor punishable by fine of up to \$1,000, imprisonment, or both. (Health and Safety Code §§ 101029, 120295 et seq.) Violators are also subject to civil enforcement actions including fines or civil penalties per violation per day, injunctive relief, and attorneys' fees and costs.

This Health Officer Order No. 2020-12.17 supersedes and replaces Health Officer Order No. 2020-12.16 that was effective December 11, 2020. Nothing in this Health Officer Order supersedes State Executive Orders or State Public Health Officer Orders. COVID-19 industry specific guidance provided by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) is available at: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Guidance.aspx#>

Summary: Within the State COVID-19 reopening framework, the State has included the County of Santa Barbara in the Southern California Region and as of December 5, 2020 has declared that the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) capacity for this region has less than 15% availability and is subject to a Regional Stay At Home Order.

Consistent with the State Public Health Officer Order issued August 28, 2020, this Health Officer Order allows schools and school-based programs (TK-12 education) to remain open if already providing in-person instruction (Attachment A). Schools and school-based programs (TK-6) that are not currently open may continue to serve small cohorts of students or may reopen upon approval of a waiver, following CDPH guidance.

Consistent with the December 3, 2020 State Public Health Officer's Regional Stay At Home Order, the December 6, 2020 State Public Health Officer's Supplement to the Regional Stay At Home Order (collectively referred to the "State Regional Stay At Home Order"), and the December 22, 2020 Supplement to the California Limited Stay at Home Order, this Health Officer Order reduces capacity allowances for some Businesses, requires additional modifications for some businesses, and updates limited closures for some businesses. This Order requires Retail Businesses not identified as essential on the State's Essential Workforce and Sector Index at <https://covid19.ca.gov/essential-workforce/> to cease operations between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. PST. Businesses that may remain open are listed in Attachment A. Businesses that must stay closed and are not allowed to reopen physical locations at this time are listed in Attachment B. All Businesses (as defined) must follow State and local orders.

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom declared a state of emergency for

conditions caused by a novel coronavirus, COVID-19, and on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a global pandemic, and on March 12, 2020, the County of Santa Barbara declared a local emergency and a local health emergency in relation COVID-19 in the community; and

WHEREAS, in the County of Santa Barbara as well as throughout California and the nation, there are insufficient quantities of critical healthcare infrastructure, including hospital beds, ventilators and workers, capable of adequately treating mass numbers of patients at a single time – should the virus spread unchecked; and

WHEREAS, in direct response to the lack of healthcare infrastructure, governments across the nation are taking actions to slow the spread of COVID-19 in order to “flatten the curve” of infection and reduce the numbers of individuals infected at any one time by minimizing situations where the virus can spread; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this effort, on March 19, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20 requiring all persons residing in the State to remain in their homes or places of residence, except as needed to maintain the continuity of operations for critical infrastructure (the “State Stay-at-Home Order”); and

WHEREAS, also on March 19, 2020, the State Public Health Officer ordered all individuals living in the State of California to stay home or at their place of residence, except as needed to maintain continuity of operations for the federal critical infrastructure sectors, which was updated on March 28, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, the State Public Health Officer designated a list of Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers, to help state, local, tribal, and industry partners as they work to protect communities, while ensuring continuity of functions critical to protect public health and safety, which was updated on March 22, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-60-20 to allow reopening of lower-risk businesses and spaces in stages. On May 7, 2020, the State Public Health Officer ordered that upon certification of a variance application a County could move through the stages of reopening at their own pace. On May 20, 2020, the CDPH approved the County of Santa Barbara’s Variance Attestation; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2020, CDPH instructed counties which had been on the State’s County Monitoring list for more than three consecutive days to immediately close all bars, breweries, pubs and brewpubs, as well as indoor operations of Businesses for specified industries and sectors. On July 13, 2020, the State Public Health Officer ordered counties which had been on the State’s County Monitoring list for more than three consecutive days to close indoor operations of: gyms and fitness centers; places of worship; protests; offices for non-essential critical infrastructure sectors defined at [covid19.ca.gov](https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/essential-businesses.aspx); personal care services (including nail salons, massage parlors, and tattoo parlors); hair salons and barbershops; and malls; and

WHEREAS, on July 13, 2020, CDPH mandated that all CDPH industry or sector guidance issued must be followed including all infectious control measures, and the use of face coverings both indoors and outdoors in certain settings; and

WHEREAS, on August 28, 2020, the State Public Health Officer ordered an update to the framework for reopening, which is known as California's Plan for Reducing COVID-19 and Adjusting Permitted Sector Activities to Keep Californians Healthy and Safe. Governor Newsom introduced this framework as the Blueprint for a Safer Economy, with a four-tiered color-coded county classification system: (1) purple represents the highest widespread risk level; (2) red represents substantial risk; (3) orange represents moderate risk; and, (4) yellow the lowest level, represents minimal risk; and

WHEREAS, under the Blueprint for a Safer Economy, some sectors that were ordered closed by the July 13, 2020 State Public Health Officer Order could reopen with modifications depending on a county's tier classification while others had to remain closed. On August 31, 2020, the County was classified as a Tier One, "purple", the highest widespread risk tier. From September 29, 2020 through November 16, 2020, the County of was classified as Tier Two, "red"; and

WHEREAS, on November 16, 2020, the State notified the County that effective November 17, 2020, the County was being moved to the more restrictive Tier One, "purple" the highest widespread risk tier under the Blueprint for a Safer Economy; and

WHEREAS, on December 3, 2020, the State announced the Regional Stay At Home Order in which the County is classified as part of the Southern California Region; and

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2020 the State determined that the Southern California Region had less than 15% ICU availability, making this region and the County subject to the Regional Stay At Home Order and requiring the closure of: indoor playgrounds; indoor recreational facilities; hair salons and barbershops; personal care services; museums, zoos and aquariums; movie theatres; wineries, tasting rooms, bars, breweries and distilleries unless serving bona fide meals or operating retail; family entertainment centers; cardrooms and satellite wagering; limited services except those supporting essential critical infrastructure sectors; live audience sports; and amusement parks as detailed in Attachment B; and modifying operations for: outdoor recreational facilities and campgrounds; retail businesses; shopping centers; hotels and lodging; restaurants; offices; places of worship; political expression; entertainment production; and professional sports, as detailed in Attachment A; and

WHEREAS, on December 6, 2020, the State issued a supplement to its December 3, 2020 Regional Stay At Home Order to clarify the travel restrictions and implementation timelines for the December 3 Regional Stay At Home Order as well as provide increased capacity in grocery stores; and

WHEREAS, on December 22, 2020 the State issued a supplement to its November 19, 2020 Limited Stay At Home Order in which the State requires Retail Businesses not identified as essential on the State's Essential Workforce and Sector index at <https://covid19.ca.gov/essential-workforce/> must cease operations between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. PST; and

WHEREAS, the County Health Officer finds: (1) the County has received repeated reports that some businesses and individuals have refused to comply with the State Stay-at-Home Order, State guidance, and/or local Health Officer Orders; (2) the reported activities are inconsistent with the State Stay-at-Home / Regional Stay At Home Order and/or Santa

Barbara County's classification tier; (3) guidance for businesses and individuals is required to prevent the potential increased spread of COVID-19 which would add strain to the County of Santa Barbara health care system; (4) without the guidance and restrictions described herein some businesses or individuals are likely to continue to impair efforts at mitigating the spread of the illness both within the County and statewide; and (5) distinctions made in this Order are to minimize the spread of COVID-19 that could occur through proximity and duration of contact between individuals; and

WHEREAS, the intent of this Order is to order businesses in the County of Santa Barbara regarding operations under the State Regional Stay At Home Order and County of Santa Barbara's Tier One, "purple", widespread risk classification under California's Plan for Reducing COVID-19 and Adjusting Permitted Sector Activities to Keep Californians Healthy and Safe, and to slow the spread of COVID-19 to the maximum extent possible. All provisions of this Order should be interpreted to effectuate this intent.

ACCORDINGLY, UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 101040, 101085, AND 120175, TITLE 17 CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS SECTION 2501, THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA ORDERS:

1. This Order 2020-12.17 is effective 5:00 p.m. (PDT) December 23, 2020 and continuing until 11:59 p.m. (PDT), on January 21, 2021 or until it is extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing by the County of Santa Barbara Health Officer ("Health Officer"). This Order applies in the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Santa Barbara County ("County").
2. **Stay Home Order:** All individuals living in the County shall stay home or at their place of residence except as necessary to access critical or essential services and conduct activities associated with the operation, maintenance, or usage of critical infrastructure or services as defined at covid19.ca.gov/essential-workforce/, as required by law, or as specifically permitted in this Order. This does not apply to persons experiencing homelessness. Outdoor recreational activities for the purpose of facilitating physically distanced personal health and wellness through outdoor exercise are allowed.
3. **Gatherings are not allowed.** This Order prohibits all gatherings, whether large or small, unless an exemption applies.
 - a. A "gathering" is any event or convening that brings together people from different households in a single room or single space at the same time, such as an auditorium, stadium, arena, large conference room, meeting hall, cafeteria, or any other indoor or outdoor space, whether public or private.
 - b. **Gathering exemptions.** All gatherings that are exempt must comply with State Executive Orders, State Public Health Orders, and State guidance available at covid19.ca.gov, and Santa Barbara County Health Officer Orders.
 - i. To the extent that Businesses are open, and activities allowed, individuals may leave their homes to work at, patronize, or otherwise engage with those Businesses, or activities, and must, when they do so, continue at all times to practice physical distancing, and follow State and Local Orders;
 - ii. The prohibition on gatherings does not apply to outdoor recreational activities when physical distancing of six feet can be maintained. Examples of

- recreational activities include, but are not limited to, walking, cycling, jogging, and hiking;
- iii. The prohibition on gatherings does not apply to congregate living situations, including dormitories, and homeless encampments; and
 - iv. The prohibition on gatherings does not apply to outdoor worship services, outdoor wedding ceremonies, outdoor cultural ceremonies (religious and non-religious), outdoor protests, or outdoor political expression, when physical distancing of six feet can be maintained.
4. "Business" or "Businesses" for the purpose of this Health Officer Order is defined to mean any institution, establishment, public or private agency, for-profit, non-profit, or educational entity, whether an organization, corporate entity, partnership, or sole proprietorship.
 5. "Activity" or "Activities" for the purpose of this Health Officer Order is defined to mean any behavior, action, or actions taken by an individual, group, or Business.
 6. All Businesses except those listed in Attachment B, as attached hereto and incorporated by this reference, may, remain open or open, upon completion of, and in accordance with all of the following:
 - a. Perform a detailed risk assessment including reviewing State and local guidance relevant to the Business and create a site-specific protection plan;
 - b. Train employees about how to limit the spread of COVID-19 including how to screen themselves for COVID-19 symptoms and when to stay home. COVID-19 symptoms are described in Attachment C;
 - c. Set up individual control measures and screenings;
 - d. Put disinfection protocols in place;
 - e. Observe "Face Covering" orders in effect from the local health officer and/or the California Department of Public Health;
 - f. If operating outdoors, a tent, canopy, or other sun shelter may be used in accordance with Section 10 Use of Temporary Structures for Outdoor Business Operations of this Order;
 - g. Complete the RISE attestation, including its social distancing protocol, and self-certification process at: <https://recoveryabc.org/reopen-your-business/>. (If a Business does not have access to the internet it can call 805-681-5508); and
 - h. Post the self-certification / RISE attestation at the Business location.
 7. Businesses listed in Attachment A, as attached hereto and incorporated by this reference, are subject to the additional modifications described in Attachment A such as outdoor only operations or indoor capacity limits. For purposes of this Order, "capacity" means occupancy limits designated by the applicable Fire Marshall. Employees are excluded from the capacity limitations described in Attachment A.
 8. Businesses listed in Attachment B, as attached hereto and incorporated by this reference, must keep physical locations closed. Activities listed in Attachment B are not allowed. Businesses and Activities listed in Attachment B may continue so long as those Businesses or Activities can occur remotely and without individuals physically present, unless an exception applies. Maintenance to prevent property damage of the Businesses

listed in Attachment B is allowed. This list may be amended from time to time, as required for our region's response to COVID-19.

9. Emergency Food Permit. Breweries, bars, brewpubs, pubs, wineries, tasting rooms, and distilleries that serve alcoholic beverages but that do not have an on-site permitted food facility and would like to serve food:
 - a. Must obtain an Emergency Food Permit issued by the Santa Barbara County Health Department to temporarily serve food for take-out or delivery only.
 - b. A brewery, bar, brewpub, pub, winery, tasting room, or distillery in possession of an Emergency Food Permit issued by the Santa Barbara County Health Department may continue to temporarily serve food for take-out or delivery only, unless the Emergency Food Permit is otherwise suspended, revoked, or terminated.
 - c. A brewery, bar, brewpub, pub, winery, tasting room, or distillery in possession of an Emergency Food Permit issued by the Santa Barbara County Health Department may cease operations of food service at their discretion, but in doing so may be subject to closure of the physical location.

10. Use of Temporary Structures for Outdoor Business Operations: All temporary structures constructed for outdoor business operations must comply with the California Department of Public Health guidance found at:
<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Use-of-Temporary-Structures-for-Outdoor-Business-Operations.aspx>
 - a. **Outdoor operations** are defined to include operations that are conducted under a tent, canopy, or other sun shelter, as long as no more than 50% of the structure's perimeter has impermeable walls, allowing sufficient, unrestricted outdoor air movement resulting in cross-ventilation. Such walls must be non-adjacent or non-continuous. Of note, doors, windows and other portals do not make a wall "non-continuous." Adjacent walls are walls that touch each other and form a corner.
 - b. **An impermeable wall** is defined as any material type that can reasonably restrict aerosols from passing through. A fabric curtain and a tarp or plastic barrier are considered an impermeable wall because the material would prevent aerosols from passing through.
 - c. **A permeable wall** is defined as one that is made of a material or design which does not significantly impede natural air flow. For example, barriers such as a lattice fence with widely separated slats or a coarse mesh screen will allow more air to flow freely and are not considered an impermeable wall. For a barrier to be considered permeable, air must be able to flow across the length and width of the barrier.
 - d. **Perimeter fencing or walls:** Any security barriers or other solid structures used to create a perimeter for a business can be no higher than three feet. Mesh fencing or other permeable materials that maintain cross-ventilation and do not significantly impede natural airflow may be used as a perimeter with no height restriction.

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE ORDER THE HEALTH OFFICER STRONGLY RECOMMENDS that retailers designate specific hours of operation for their stores to accommodate populations at high risk of developing severe COVID-19 disease, such as persons over the age of 65 years.

This Order is issued as a result of the worldwide pandemic of COVID-19 which has infected at least 79,024,536 individuals worldwide, in 218 countries and territories, including 15,417 cases, and 151 deaths in the County, and is implicated in over 1,736,319 worldwide deaths.

This Order is issued based on evidence of continued community-based transmission of COVID-19 both within the County and worldwide, scientific evidence regarding the most effective approach to slow transmission of communicable diseases generally and COVID-19 specifically, as well as best practices as currently known and available to protect the public from the risk of spread of or exposure to COVID-19.

This Order is issued because of the propensity of the virus to spread person to person and also because the virus physically is causing property loss or damage due to its proclivity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time.

This Order is intended to reduce the likelihood of exposure to COVID-19, thereby slowing the spread of COVID-19 in communities worldwide. As the presence of individuals increases, the difficulty and magnitude of tracing individuals who may have been exposed to a case rises exponentially.

This Order is issued in accordance with, and incorporates by reference: the March 4, 2020 Proclamation of a State Emergency issued by Governor Gavin Newsom; the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Local Health Emergency and Proclamation of Emergency based on an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of novel COVID-19 in the County; the March 17, 2020 Resolution of the Board of Supervisors ratifying the County Declaration of Local Health Emergency and Proclamation of Emergency regarding COVID-19; the guidance issued on March 11, 2020 by the California Department of Public Health regarding large gatherings of 250 people or more; Governor Gavin Newsom's Executive Order N-25-20 of March 12, 2020 preparing the State to commandeer hotels and other places of temporary residence, medical facilities, and other facilities that are suitable as places of temporary residence or medical facilities as necessary for quarantining, isolating or treating individuals who test positive for COVID-19 or who have had a high-risk exposure and are thought to be in the incubation period; the March 13, 2020 Presidential Declaration of a National Emergency due to the national impacts of COVID-19; the guidance issued on March 15, 2020 by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the California Department of Public Health, and other public health officials through the United States and around the world recommending the cancellation of gatherings involving more than fifty (50) or more persons in a single space at the same time; the March 16, 2020 order of the State Public Health Officer prohibiting all gatherings with expected presence above ten (10) individuals; Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-33-20 of March 19, 2020 ordering all persons to stay at home to protect the health and well-being of all Californians and to establish consistency across the state in order to slow the spread of COVID-19; the March 22, 2020, Presidential Declaration of a Major Disaster in California beginning on January 20, 2020 under Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Incident DR-4482-CA; Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-60-20 of May 4, 2020 to allow reopening of lower-risk businesses and spaces ("Stage Two"), and then to allow reopening of higher-risk businesses and spaces ("Stage Three"), and directing the Public Health Officer to establish criteria and procedures to determine whether and how particular local jurisdictions may implement public health measures that depart from the statewide directives of the State Public Health Officer; the May 7, 2020, State Public Health Officer Order; the July 13, 2020

State Public Health Officer Order; the August 28, 2020 State Public Health Officer Order called California's Plan for Reducing COVID-19 and Adjusting Permitted Sector Activities to Keep Californians Healthy and Safe; the November 19, 2020 Limited Stay At Home Order; the December 3, 2020 State Public Health Officer's Regional Stay At Home Order; the December 6, 2020 State Public Health Officer's Supplement to the State Regional Stay At Home Order; and the December 22, 2020 Supplement to the Limited Stay At Home Order.

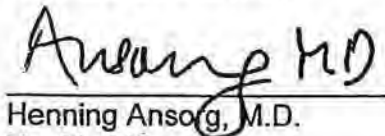
This Order is made in accordance with all applicable State and Federal laws, including but not limited to: Health and Safety Code sections 101040 and 120175; 101030 et seq., and 120100 et seq.; and Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations section 2501.

If any provision of this Order or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Order are severable.

The violation of any provision of this Order constitutes a threat to public health. Pursuant to Government Code sections 26602 and 41601 and Health and Safety Code sections 101029 and 120295, the Health Officer requests that the Sheriff and all chiefs of police in the County ensure compliance with and enforce this Order. Per Health and Safety Code section 101029, "the sheriff of each county, or city and county, may enforce within the county, or the city and county, all orders of the local health officer issued for the purpose of preventing the spread of any contagious, infectious, or communicable disease. Every peace officer of every political subdivision of the county, or city and county, may enforce within the area subject to his or her jurisdiction all orders of the local health officer issued for the purpose of preventing the spread of any contagious, infectious, or communicable disease. This section is not a limitation on the authority of peace officers or public officers to enforce orders of the local health officer. When deciding whether to request this assistance in enforcement of its orders, the local health officer may consider whether it would be necessary to advise the enforcement agency of any measures that should be taken to prevent infection of the enforcement officers."

Copies of this Order shall promptly be: (1) made available at the County Public Health Department; (2) posted on the County Public Health Department's website (publichealthsb.org); and (3) provided to any member of the public requesting a copy of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED:



Henning Ansohg, M.D.
Health Officer
Santa Barbara County Public Health Department

ATTACHMENT A
HEALTH OFFICER ORDER NO. 2020-12.17
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

**Businesses that are subject to additional modifications such as
outdoor operations or indoor occupancy limits**

Businesses listed in this Attachment A must comply with the requirements in Section 6 of this Health Officer Order and the additional modifications described below. For purposes of this Order, "capacity" means occupancy limits designated by the applicable Fire Marshall. Employees are excluded from the capacity limitations described below.

1. Brewpubs, breweries, bars, pubs, distilleries, wineries and tasting rooms that serve bona fide meals may only offer take-out or delivery service following the CDPH industry guidance for restaurants. No onsite dining is allowed.
 - a. Brewpubs, breweries, bars, pubs, distilleries, wineries and tasting rooms that do not provide bona fide meals, but wish to operate under this Order must obtain an Emergency Food Permit as described above.
 - b. Venues that are currently authorized to provide off sale beer, wine, and spirits to be consumed off premises and do not offer bona fide meals shall follow CDPH guidance for retail operations.
 - c. Producers of beer, wine, and spirits must follow CDPH guidance for manufacturing operations.
 - d. Retail at brewpubs, breweries, bars, pubs, distilleries, wineries and tasting rooms and restaurants is allowed. Retail activities must follow the guidance for retail operations with indoor occupancy limited to 20% of capacity and no onsite eating or drinking allowed.
 - e. This section also applies to bars located at permitted food facilities.
 - f. Nothing in this section supersedes state or local laws that may be applicable to brewpubs, breweries, bars, pubs, distilleries, wineries and tasting rooms.
 - g. Brewpubs, breweries, bars, pubs, distilleries, wineries and tasting rooms that do not offer bona fide meals or operate retail must close.
2. Campgrounds. No overnight stays at campgrounds allowed except for people whose primary residence is their vehicle or tent. Campgrounds may also provide overnight accommodations when operating as emergency evacuation shelters or centers, or as accommodations for essential workers, or providing housing solutions, including measures to protect homeless populations
3. Cultural ceremonies outdoors only
4. Dance studios outdoors only
5. Education.
 - a. In-person higher education including technical schools, colleges, universities, adult education, and trade schools. Indoor lectures are prohibited. Courses offered in specialized indoor settings (e.g. labs, studio arts), whose design imposes substantial physical distancing on

participants are permitted so long as the CDPH guidance for Institutions of Higher Education available at <https://files.covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-higher-education--en.pdf> is followed. Distance learning is allowed.

- b. TK-12 education, unless already opened, must remain closed for in-person instruction. Schools already open for in-person instruction shall follow the guidance provided by CDPH when determining when or if to close. Schools may continue to bring students back for in-person instruction under the elementary school waiver process or CDPH cohorting guidance.
6. Fitness centers, gyms, and studios including but not limited to those for dance, yoga, pilates, crossfit, cycling, boxing, and martial arts and those at hotels, lodging, and short-term rentals, outdoors only
7. Grocery stores. Stand-alone grocery stores where the principal business activity is the sale of food may operate with indoor occupancy limited to 35% capacity. No on-site eating or drinking is allowed.
8. Hotels and Lodging can only offer accommodation for COVID-19 mitigation and containment measures, treatment measures, accommodation for essential workers, or providing housing solutions, including measures to protect homeless populations.
9. Libraries with indoor occupancy limited to 20% capacity. No on-site eating or drinking is allowed
10. Offices for essential critical infrastructure sectors defined at covid19.ca.gov, where remote work is not possible
11. Places of worship outdoors only
12. Pools and spas, outdoors only. Drowning prevention and swimming lessons provided by a licensed instructor may occur in outdoor pools
13. Playgrounds, outdoors only
14. Protests and political expression, outdoors only
15. Raceways or racetracks without spectators outdoors only
16. Restaurants take-out and delivery only. No on-site dining is allowed. Retail at restaurants is allowed. Retail activities must follow the guidance for retail operations with indoor occupancy limited to 20% of capacity and no on-site eating or drinking allowed.
17. Retail with indoor occupancy limited to 20% capacity. No on-site eating or drinking allowed. Retail Businesses not identified as essential on the State's Essential Workforce and Sector Index at <https://covid19.ca.gov/essential-workforce/> must cease operations between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. PST.
18. Shopping malls with indoor occupancy limited to 20% capacity. No eating or drinking in stores allowed. Common areas and food court dining areas must remain closed. Food court food facilities may remain open for take-out or delivery.
19. Skating rinks, such as ice and roller, outdoors only. These facilities may operate on a reservation or appointment-only basis for individual physical

fitness activities or skills training following the guidance provided for gyms and fitness centers. No open (public) skating, group practices or team / club events are allowed.

20. Organized sports and team sports including adult, amateur (non-professional) team sports, and indoor conditioning and drills are not allowed, except:
 - a. Professional sports without a live audience;
 - b. Youth sports and physical education when all of the following are maintained: (i) outdoors, (ii) physical distancing of at least six feet between participants can be maintained, and (iii) it is a stable cohort, such as a class, that limits the risks of transmission in accordance with CDPH guidance for Youth Sports available at <https://files.covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-youth-sports--en.pdf>; and
 - c. Intercollegiate athletics in compliance with the CDPH Industry Sector Guidance for Institutions of Higher Education – Specific Interim Guidance for Collegiate Athletics available at <https://files.covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-higher-education--en.pdf>.
21. Outdoor recreational facilities, outdoors only. No food or drink sales for on-site consumption allowed
22. Wedding ceremonies (religious or non-religious) outdoors only are permitted so long as the CDPH guidance for Places of Worship and Providers of Religious Services available at <https://files.covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-places-of-worship.pdf> is followed. Indoor ceremonies are not allowed at this time. Occupancy at outdoor venues is limited by the natural limits of the venue that permit social distancing of six feet between people from different households. Receptions for weddings are not allowed.

ATTACHMENT B
HEALTH OFFICER ORDER NO. 2020-12.17
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

**Businesses that Must Keep Physical Locations Closed; Activities
Not Allowed at This Time**

1. Amphitheatres, concert halls and venues, performing arts centers
2. Amusement and theme parks
3. Aquariums
4. Arenas
5. Banquet halls
6. Brewpubs, breweries, bars, pubs, distilleries, wineries and tasting rooms that do not serve bona fide meals or operate retail activities
7. Body Art, including tattooing and body piercing
8. Body waxing
9. Campgrounds for overnight recreational or leisure use
10. Car Washes
11. Cardrooms
12. Climbing walls
13. Community centers
14. Conference and convention centers
15. Dance halls, dances
16. Electrologists
17. Estheticians and cosmetologists
18. Fairs, festivals, public exhibitions
19. Family Entertainment Centers (bowling alleys, escape rooms, kart racing, miniature golf, batting cages, paintball, air soft facilities, laser tag)
20. Hair Salons and Barbershops
21. Hotels and Lodging unless offering accommodation for COVID-19 mitigation and containment measures, treatment measures, accommodation for essential workers, or providing housing solutions, including measures to protect homeless populations. Accommodation for vacation or leisure is not allowed
22. Limited Services (as defined in CDPH guidance for the Limited Services Industry Sector), except for those supporting essential critical infrastructure sectors as defined at [covid19.ca.gov/essential-workforce/](https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Essential-Workforce.aspx)
23. Live performance venues, live theatre, live performances, and live music
24. Lounges
25. Massage therapy

26. Movie Theatres
27. Museums
28. Music events, concerts
29. Nightclubs including private social clubs
30. Offices for non-essential critical infrastructure sectors, defined at covid19.ca.gov. Remote operations only are allowed
31. Parties and Receptions
32. Personal Care Services
33. Playgrounds, indoors
34. Recreational Facilities, indoors
35. Retail Businesses not identified as essential on the State's Essential Workforce and Sector index at <https://covid19.ca.gov/essential-workforce/> must cease operations between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. PST.
36. Rodeos and public equestrian events
37. Roller derby
38. Satellite wagering
39. Saunas and steam rooms
40. Sports stadiums and facilities (except as necessary for professional and intercollegiate sporting events without live audiences)
41. Swimming Pools and Spas Indoors
42. Zoos

ATTACHMENT C

HEALTH OFFICER ORDER NO. 2020-12.17
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

COVID-19 SELF-EVALUATION

The County Health Officer has defined COVID-19 symptoms as follows:

Mild to Moderate Symptoms Related to or
Other Respiratory Illness such as:

Fever or Chills

Cough

Shortness of Breath or Difficulty Breathing

Fatigue

Muscle or Body Aches

Headache

New Loss of Taste and/or Smell

Sore Throat

Congestion or Runny Nose

Nausea or Vomiting

Diarrhea

HEALTH OFFICER ORDER NO. 2020-10.7
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

FOR THE CONTROL OF COVID-19
FACE COVERINGS
WITHIN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

Health Officer Order No. 2020-10.7 Supersedes and Replaces Health Officer Order No. 2020-10.6

Effective Date: December 24, 2020, 5:00pm PDT

(Changes are underlined.)

Please read this Order carefully. Violation of or failure to comply with this Order may constitute a misdemeanor punishable by fine of up to \$1,000, imprisonment, or both. (Health and Safety Code §§ 101029, 120295 et seq.) Violators are also subject to civil enforcement actions including fines or civil penalties per violation per day, injunctive relief, and attorneys' fees and costs.

This Health Officer Order No. 2020-10.7 supersedes and replaces Health Officer Order No. 2020-10.6 that was effective November 25, 2020. Nothing in this Health Officer Order No. 2020-10.7 supersedes State Executive Orders or State Health Officer Orders or guidance provided by the California Department of Public Health available at: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Guidance.aspx#>

Summary: As required by the State Public Health Officer on November 16, 2020 this Health Officer Order orders individuals in the County of Santa Barbara to wear face coverings at all times when outside the home, with some exceptions, to control the spread of COVID-19.

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom declared a state of emergency for conditions caused by a novel coronavirus, COVID-19, and on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a global pandemic, and on March 12, 2020, the County of Santa Barbara declared a local emergency and a local health emergency in relation COVID-19 in the community; and

WHEREAS, there has been significant community-based transmission in California; and

WHEREAS, in the County of Santa Barbara as well as throughout California and the nation, there are insufficient quantities of critical healthcare infrastructure, including hospital beds, ventilators and workers, capable of adequately treating mass numbers of patients at a single time – should the virus spread unchecked; and

WHEREAS, in direct response to the lack of healthcare infrastructure, governments across the nation are taking actions to slow the spread of COVID-19 in order to “flatten the curve” of infection and reduce the numbers of individuals infected at any one time by minimizing situations where the virus can spread; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this effort, on March 19, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20 requiring all persons residing in the State to remain in their homes or places of residence, except as needed to maintain the continuity of operations for critical infrastructure (the "State Stay-at-Home Order"); and

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-60-20 to allow reopening of lower-risk businesses and spaces in stages. On May 7, 2020, the State Public Health Officer ordered that upon certification of a variance application a County could move through the stages of reopening at their own pace. On May 20, 2020, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) approved the County of Santa Barbara's Variance Attestation; and

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2020, and revised on June 29, 2020, the CDPH mandated people in California to wear face coverings when they are in high-risk situations; and

WHEREAS, on August 28, 2020 the State Public Health Officer ordered an update to the framework for COVID-19 response, which is known as California's Plan for Reducing COVID-19 and Adjusting Permitted Sector Activities to Keep Californians Healthy and Safe. Governor Newsom introduced this framework as the Blueprint for a Safer Economy, in which counties are assigned into risk-based tiers based on the COVID-19 epidemiological information for each county; and

WHEREAS, as of November 17, 2020, within the State COVID-19 reopening framework the State classified the County of Santa Barbara as Tier One ("purple" or "widespread risk") which is more restrictive than what was previously allowed in Tier Two ("red" or "substantial risk"), that the County was in, between September 29, 2020 through November 16, 2020; and

WHEREAS, as of December 6, 2020, within the State COVID-19 reopening framework the State classified the Southern California Region, of which Santa Barbara County is a part, as subject to the Regional Stay At Home Order due to intensive care unit bed availability of less than 15% throughout the region, with additional restrictions placed on the County as a result; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the CDPH find the use of face coverings may reduce asymptomatic transmission of COVID-19 and reinforce physical distancing, and that wearing a face covering combined with physical distancing of at least six feet, and frequent hand washing, will lessen the risk of COVID-19 transmission by limiting the spread of respiratory droplets; and

WHEREAS, the County Health Officer finds (1) a significant portion of individuals with COVID-19 are asymptomatic and can transmit the virus to others; (2) those who may develop symptoms can transmit the virus to others before showing symptoms; (3) scientific evidence shows COVID-19 is easily spread and public activities can result in transmission of the virus; (4) face coverings are necessary because COVID-19 is highly contagious and is spread through respiratory droplets that are produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes, or talks. These droplets may land on other people or be inhaled into their lungs, may land on and attach to surfaces where they remain for days, and may remain viable in the air for up to three hours, even after the infected person is no longer present; (5) when worn properly, face coverings have the potential to slow the spread of the virus by limiting the spread of respiratory

droplets; and (6) distinctions made in this Order are to minimize the spread of COVID-19 that could occur through proximity and duration of contact between individuals; and

WHEREAS, the intent of this Order is to temporarily require the use of Face Coverings to slow the spread of COVID-19 in Santa Barbara County to the maximum extent possible. All provisions of this Order should be interpreted to effectuate this intent.

ACCORDINGLY, UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 101040, 101085, AND 120175, TITLE 17 CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS SECTION 2501, THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA ORDERS:

1. This Order 2020-10.7 is effective 5:00 p.m. (PDT) December 24, 2020 and continuing until 5:00 p.m. (PDT), on January 22, 2020 or until it is extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing by the County of Santa Barbara Health Officer ("Health Officer"). This Order applies in the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Santa Barbara County ("County").
2. As used in this Order, a "face covering" means a covering made of a variety of materials such as cloth, fabric, cotton, silk, linen, or other permeable materials, that fully covers the tip of a person's nose and mouth, without holes, including cloth face masks, surgical masks, towels, scarves, and/or bandanas. This Order does not require the public to wear medical-grade masks, including masks rated N95, KN95, and their equivalent or better.

A face covering with a one-way valve (typically a raised plastic cylinder about the size of a quarter on the front or side of the mask) that provides a preferential path of escape for exhaled breath shall not be used as a face covering under this Order because the valve permits respiratory droplets to easily escape which places others at risk.

3. People in the County shall wear face coverings when they are outside of the home, unless an exemption applies.
4. The following individuals are exempt from wearing face coverings in the following specific settings:
 - a. Persons in a car alone or solely with members of their own household.
 - b. Persons who are working in an office or in a room alone.
 - c. Persons who are actively eating or drinking provided that they are able to maintain a distance of at least six feet away from persons who are not members of the same household or residence.
 - d. Persons who are outdoors and maintaining at least 6 feet of social distancing from others not in their household. Such persons must have a face covering with them at all times and must put it on if they are within 6 feet of others who are not in their household.
 - e. Persons who are obtaining a service involving the nose or face for which temporary removal of the face covering is necessary to perform the service.
 - f. Workers who are required to wear respiratory protection.

- g. Persons who are specifically exempted from wearing face coverings by other CDPH guidance.
5. The following individuals are exempt from wearing face coverings at all times:
 - a. Persons younger than two years old. These very young children must not wear a face covering because of the risk of suffocation.
 - b. Persons with a medical condition, mental health condition, or disability that prevents wearing a face covering. This includes persons with a medical condition for whom wearing a face covering could obstruct breathing or who are unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove a face covering without assistance. Such conditions are rare.
 - c. Persons who are hearing impaired, or communicating with a person who is hearing impaired, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication.
 - d. Persons for whom wearing a face covering would create a risk to the person related to their work, as determined by local, state, or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines.
 6. Persons exempted from wearing a face covering due to a medical condition who are employed in a job involving regular contact with others must wear a non-restrictive alternative, such as a face shield with a drape on the bottom edge, as long as their condition permits it.
 7. If you cannot afford a face covering one will be provided to you free-of-charge at the following locations:
 - a. Santa Barbara County Administration building lobby, 105 E Anapamu St, Santa Barbara
 - b. Santa Barbara Health Care Center, 345 Camino del Remedio, Santa Barbara
 - c. Santa Maria Health Care Center, 2115 Centerpointe Parkway, Santa Maria
 - d. Face coverings may also be available by calling 211 to access offers by community groups at no cost.
 - e. The Health Officer requests cities within the County of Santa Barbara provide face coverings free-of-charge to those cannot afford them.

This Order is issued as a result of the worldwide pandemic of COVID-19 which has infected at least 75,665,096 individuals worldwide, in 218 countries and territories, including 14,190 cases, and 145 deaths in the County, and is implicated in over 1,674,999 worldwide deaths.

This Order is issued based on evidence of increasing transmission of COVID-19 both within the County and worldwide, scientific evidence regarding the most effective approach to slow transmission of communicable diseases generally and COVID-19 specifically, as well as best practices as currently known and available to protect the public from the risk of spread of or exposure to COVID-19.

This Order is issued because of the propensity of the virus to spread person to person and also because the virus physically is causing property loss or damage due to its proclivity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time.

This Order is intended to reduce the likelihood of exposure to COVID-19, thereby slowing the spread of COVID-19 in communities worldwide. As the presence of individuals increases, the difficulty and magnitude of tracing individuals who may have been exposed to a case rises exponentially.

This Order is issued in accordance with, and incorporates by reference: the March 4, 2020 Proclamation of a State Emergency issued by Governor Gavin Newsom; the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Local Health Emergency and Proclamation of Emergency based on an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of novel COVID-19 in the County; the March 17, 2020 Resolution of the Board of Supervisors ratifying the County Declaration of Local Health Emergency and Proclamation of Emergency regarding COVID-19; the guidance issued on March 11, 2020 by the California Department of Public Health regarding large gatherings of 250 people or more; Governor Gavin Newsom's Executive Order N-25-20 of March 12, 2020 preparing the State to commandeer hotels and other places of temporary residence, medical facilities, and other facilities that are suitable as places of temporary residence or medical facilities as necessary for quarantining, isolating or treating individuals who test positive for COVID-19 or who have had a high-risk exposure and are thought to be in the incubation period; the March 13, 2020 Presidential Declaration of a National Emergency due to the national impacts of COVID-19; the guidance issued on March 15, 2020 by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the California Department of Public Health, and other public health officials through the United States and around the world recommending the cancellation of gatherings involving more than fifty (50) or more persons in a single space at the same time; the March 16, 2020 order of the State Public Health Officer prohibiting all gatherings with expected presence above ten (10) individuals; Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-33-20 of March 19, 2020 ordering all persons to stay at home to protect the health and well-being of all Californians and to establish consistency across the state in order to slow the spread of COVID-19; the March 22, 2020, Presidential Declaration of a Major Disaster in California beginning on January 20, 2020 under Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Incident DR-4482-CA; and, Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-60-20 of May 4, 2020 to allow reopening of lower-risk businesses and spaces ("Stage Two"), and then to allow reopening of higher-risk businesses and spaces ("Stage Three"), and directing the Public Health Officer to establish criteria and procedures to determine whether and how particular local jurisdictions may implement public health measures that depart from the statewide directives of the State Public Health Officer; the July 13, 2020 State Public Health Officer Order; the August 28 State Public Health Officer Order regarding California's Plan for Reducing COVID-19 and Adjusting Permitted Sector Activities to Keep Californians Healthy and Safe (also known as the Blueprint for a Safer Economy); the November 16, 2020 California Department of Public Health Guidance for the Use of Face Coverings; the December 3, 2020 State Public Health Officer's Regional Stay At Home Order; and the December 6, 2020 State Public Health Officer's Supplement to the State Regional Stay At Home Order.

This Order is made in accordance with all applicable State and Federal laws, including but not limited to: Health and Safety Code sections 101040 and 120175; Health and Safety Code sections 101030 et seq., 120100 et seq.; and Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations section 2501.


If any provision of this Order or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held

to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Order are severable.

The violation of any provision of this Order constitutes a threat to public health. Pursuant to Government Code sections 26602 and 41601 and Health and Safety Code sections 101029 and 120295, the Health Officer requests that the Sheriff and all chiefs of police in the County ensure compliance with and enforce this Order. Per Health and Safety Code section 101029, "the sheriff of each county, or city and county, may enforce within the county, or the city and county, all orders of the local health officer issued for the purpose of preventing the spread of any contagious, infectious, or communicable disease. Every peace officer of every political subdivision of the county, or city and county, may enforce within the area subject to his or her jurisdiction all orders of the local health officer issued for the purpose of preventing the spread of any contagious, infectious, or communicable disease. This section is not a limitation on the authority of peace officers or public officers to enforce orders of the local health officer. When deciding whether to request this assistance in enforcement of its orders, the local health officer may consider whether it would be necessary to advise the enforcement agency of any measures that should be taken to prevent infection of the enforcement officers."

Copies of this Order shall promptly be: (1) made available at the County Public Health Department; (2) posted on the County Public Health Department's website (publichealthsb.org); and (3) provided to any member of the public requesting a copy of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED:



Henning Ansorg, M.D.
Health Officer
Santa Barbara County Public Health Department

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
 IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1
DECEMBER 15, 2020 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1, was held at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 via video/teleconference only due to the COVID-19 Emergency and Governor Newsom's Executive Orders.

Trustees Present: Michael Burchardi Jeff Clay
 Brad Joos Lori Parker
 Jeff Holzer

Trustees Absent: None

Others Present: Paeter Garcia Mary Martone Karen King
 Eric Tambini Gary Kvistad Laura Copple
 John Britton Alex Handlers

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

President Clay called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m., he stated this was a Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Ms. Martone conducted roll call and reported all members of the Board were present at roll call. President Clay welcomed and introduced Mr. Jeff Holzer as the Board's newest Trustee representing Division 1.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

President Clay led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. REPORT BY THE SECRETARY TO THE BOARD REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS FOR POSTING OF THE NOTICE AND AGENDA:

Ms. Martone presented the affidavit of posting of the agenda, along with a true copy of the agenda for this meeting. She reported that the agenda was posted in accordance with the California Government Code commencing at Section 54950 and pursuant to District Resolution No. 340. The affidavit was filed as evidence of the posting of the agenda items contained therein.

Ms. Martone added that as a result of the COVID-19 emergency and Governor Newsom's Executive Orders to protect public health by limiting public gatherings and requiring social distancing, the Board meeting would occur solely via video/teleconference as authorized by and in furtherance of Executive Order Nos. N-29-20 and N-33-20 and applicable amendments to the California Brown Act as set forth in those Executive Orders.

4. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS, IF ANY, TO THE AGENDA:

Mr. Garcia stated there were no additions or corrections to the agenda.

Mr. Garcia announced that there would be two presentations given by the District's consultants that were in attendance and he recommended that the Board consider rearranging the order of agenda items 9A.2.a), and 9.A.4, to be discussed after Agenda Item 9.A.1.

It was MOVED by Trustee Burchardi, seconded by Trustee Joos, and carried by a 5-0-0 roll call vote to change the order of the agenda items 9A.2. a) and 9.A.4 after Agenda Item 9.A.1.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT:

President Clay welcomed any members of the public participating via video or telephonically and offered time for members of the public to speak and address the Board on matters not on the agenda.

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1 There were no comments received from the public. Mr. Garcia stated that the Notice and Agenda
2 for this Regular Meeting requested members of the public to submit advance written comments
3 to the District via electronic mail by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 14, 2020. Mr. Garcia
4 reported that no written comments were submitted to the District for the meeting.
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6 **6. CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE:**

7 **A. General Manager's Report**

8 The Board packet included information from Santa Barbara County, Santa Barbara County
9 Public Health Department, State of California Department of Public Health, ACWA/JPIA,
10 and Cal/OSHA regarding current requirements pertaining to COVID-19.
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12 Mr. Garcia reported on the current activities related to the COVID-19 pandemic and the
13 District's actions. He reported that the most recently issued State and Santa Barbara County
14 Stay-At-Home Orders remain in effect and noted that on December 14, 2020 Santa Barbara
15 County reported its highest number of new positive cases for a single day since the pandemic
16 began. Mr. Garcia briefly reviewed the Board packet items and reported that Cal/OSHA
17 issued a news release on December 1st regarding Emergency Regulations to Protect Workers
18 from COVID-19 that went into effect December 1st based on approval by the Office of
19 Administrative Law. He reported that the Emergency Regulations require employers to
20 implement site-specific written COVID-19 prevention programs that, among other things,
21 address COVID-19 health hazards, correct unsafe or unhealthy conditions, and provide face
22 coverings to employees. Mr. Garcia stated that District staff is in the process of finalizing
23 the District's workplace plan, and that a vast majority of the required protocols from
24 Cal/OSHA have previously been developed and implemented by the District. Mr. Garcia
25 indicated that staff continues to receive and review updates related to COVID-19 from
26 federal, state, regional, and local agencies. He stated the District continues to maintain a
27 conservative response plan, with field and front office staff being divided into two teams
28 alternating each week.
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30 **7. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 17, 2020:**

31 The Regular Meeting Minutes from November 17, 2020 were presented for consideration.
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33 President Clay asked if there were any changes or additions to the Regular Meeting Minutes of
34 November 17, 2020. Trustee Burchardi requested one minor correction.
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36 It was **MOVED** by Trustee Joos, seconded by Trustee Burchardi, and carried by 5-0-0 roll call vote
37 to approve the November 17, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes as corrected.
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39 **8. CONSENT AGENDA:**

40 The Consent Agenda Report was provided in the Board packet.
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42 Mr. Garcia reviewed the Consent Agenda materials for the month of November.
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44 It was **MOVED** by Trustee Joos, seconded by Trustee Parker, and carried by a 5-0-0 roll call vote,
45 to approve the Consent Agenda.
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47 **9. MANAGER REPORTS - STATUS, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE BOARD ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING**
48 **SUBJECTS:**

49 **A. DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION**

- 50 1. Board of Trustees Designations
51 a) Certified Election Results

1 The Board packet included a November 19, 2020 letter from the Elections Division of
2 the Santa Barbara County Clerk, Recorder and Assessor's Office regarding the
3 November 10, 2020 Election results.
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5 Mr. Garcia reported that on November 10, 2020, the County of Santa Barbara Board of
6 Supervisors appointed in-lieu of election Jeffrey Holzer, Division 1; Lori Parker,
7 Division 3; and Michael Burchardi, Division 4, as qualified candidates to the District's
8 Board of Trustees. Mr. Garcia reported that Trustees Holzer and Burchardi will serve
9 four-year terms and Trustee Parker will serve a two-year term. Mr. Garcia reported
10 that each of the appointed Trustees have taken their oaths of office. Mr. Garcia
11 congratulated the Trustees on their appointments to the Board.
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- 13 b) Selection of Officers of the Board – President, Vice President, Treasurer & Secretary
14 Mr. Garcia reported that each December the District's Board selects the seats of
15 President, Vice President, and Secretary and Treasurer to the Board of Trustees. He
16 explained that the process for selecting officers is based on nomination and vote by the
17 Board members.
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19 President Clay reviewed the current officers and called for nominations from the
20 Board. Consensus of the Board was to leave the current positions and designations
21 unchanged.
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23 It was **MOVED** by Trustee Holzer, seconded by Trustee Parker, and carried by a 5-0-0
24 roll call vote to select Trustee Clay as President, Trustee Joos as Vice President, and
25 Mary Martone as Treasurer and Secretary to the Board of Trustees.
26

- 27 c) Appointment of Representatives to Participating Agencies and Organizations –
28 CCWA & ACWA

29 President Clay reviewed the current Board representatives to participating agencies
30 and organizations. He reported that he and Trustee Joos serve as Director and
31 Alternate respectively to the Central Coast Water Authority Board, and he and Mr.
32 Paeter Garcia serve as Representative and Alternate to the Association of California
33 Water Agencies.
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35 It was **MOVED** by Trustee Burchardi, seconded by Trustee Parker, and carried by a 5-
36 0-0 roll call vote to appoint Trustee Clay and Trustee Joos as Director and Alternate,
37 respectively, to the Central Coast Water Authority Board of Directors, and to appoint
38 Trustee Clay and Paeter Garcia as Representative and Alternate, respectively, to the
39 Association of California Water Agencies.
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- 41 d) Appointment of Board Committees

42 President Clay reviewed the current Board representatives for the Ad Hoc
43 Committees. He identified each Ad Hoc Committee, which included Trustees Clay
44 and Joos – City of Solvang; Trustees Burchardi and Joos – Water Rates; Trustees Clay
45 and Joos – COMB; Trustees Joos and Mr. Garcia – SGMA; Trustees Burchardi and
46 Parker – Cachuma Contract; and Trustee Joos and former Trustee Rosenberg –
47 Alternative Power/Solar.
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49 Discussion ensued regarding the SGMA and Alternate Power/Solar Ad Hoc
50 Committees. Mr. Garcia suggested the Board may want to consider appointing a
51 Trustee as Alternate for the SGMA Ad Hoc Committee since staff is already
52 continuously engaged with the SGMA process. Trustee Holzer volunteered to be the
53 Alternate for the SGMA Ad Hoc Committee. Trustee Burchardi volunteered to be on
54 the Alternative Power/Solar Ad Hoc Committee.

1 It was **MOVED** by Trustee Parker, seconded by Trustee Burchardi, and carried by a 5-
2 0-0 roll call vote to appoint Trustees Clay and Joos to the City of Solvang Ad Hoc
3 Committee; Trustees Burchardi and Joos to the Water Rates Ad Hoc Committee;
4 Trustees Clay and Joos to the COMB Ad Hoc Committee; Trustees Joos and Holzer to
5 the SGMA Ad Hoc Committee; Trustees Burchardi and Parker to the Cachuma
6 Contract Ad Hoc Committee; and Trustees Joos and Burchardi to the Alternative
7 Power/Solar Ad Hoc Committee.
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9 2. Financial Report on Administrative Matters

10 a) Draft June 30, 2020 & 2019 Financial Statements - Presentation by Bartlett, Pringle &
11 Wolf, LLP

12 The Draft Financial Statements were included in the Board packet.
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14 Mr. Garcia introduced Mr. John Britton and Ms. Laura Copple, from Bartlett, Pringle
15 & Wolf, LLP for presentation of the District's draft June 30, 2020 and 2019 Financial
16 Statements.
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18 Mr. Britton provided a PowerPoint presentation of the June 30, 2020 and 2019
19 Financial Statements. He reviewed the District's current assets, liabilities and fund
20 equity, statement of revenues, statement of changes, statement of cash flows, and
21 notes to financial statements. Mr. Britton reported that the District's financials
22 conform to required Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and the State
23 Controller's Minimum Audit Requirements for California Special Districts. He
24 explained that the District's audit resulted in no disagreements with Management
25 relating to the financials and was a clean audit with no reportable findings or
26 exceptions.
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28 The Board thanked Mr. Britton and Ms. Copple for their presentation.
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30 Mr. Garcia recommended acceptance and approval of the June 30, 2020 and 2019
31 Financial Statements as presented and authorization for Management to post and
32 submit the final version of the Financial Statements to the State Controller and Santa
33 Barbara County.
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35 It was **MOVED** by Trustee Joos, seconded by Trustee Burchardi, and carried by a 5-0-
36 0 roll call vote, to approve and accept the June 30, 2020 and 2019 Financial Statements
37 as presented by Bartlett, Pringle & Wolf, LLP and authorize Management to execute
38 the final documentation and distribute to the appropriate governmental agencies.
39

40 b) Presentation of Monthly Financial Statements - Revenues and Expenses

41 Ms. Martone reported that the Board was provided the Statement of Revenues and
42 Expenses for the month of November via email. She also explained that the reports
43 were posted on the District's website in the Board packet materials for any members
44 of the public wishing to follow along or receive a copy.
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46 Ms. Martone reviewed the Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the month of
47 November. She highlighted various line-items and reported that the District's
48 revenues exceeded expenses by \$216,101.40 and the year-to-date net income was
49 \$873,877.38. Ms. Martone explained that a portion of the revenues accumulated
50 during the fiscal year will be earmarked and utilized for the District's annual State
51 Water Project and COMB Bond payments.

1 c) Approval of Accounts Payable

2 Ms. Martone reported that the Board was provided the Warrant List for November 18,
3 2020 through December 15, 2020 via email, and that it was posted on the District's
4 website in the Board packet materials for any member of the public wishing to follow
5 along or receive a copy.
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7 The Board reviewed the Warrant List which covered warrants 23499 through 23558
8 for the period of November 18, 2020 through December 15, 2020 in the amount of
9 \$436,948.92.
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11 It was **MOVED** by Trustee Joos, seconded by Trustee Clay, and carried by a 4-0-0 roll
12 call vote, with Trustee Burchardi absent, to approve the Warrant List for November
13 18, 2020 through December 15, 2020.
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15 3. Amendment to Rules & Regulations

16 a) Resolution No. 802: A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River
17 Water Conservation District, Improvement No.1, Approving the Automatic Annual
18 Adjustments to the Capital Facilities Charges and Meter Installation Fees Contained
19 in Appendix "C" and Appendix "D" of the District's Rules and Regulations
20

21 The Board packet included a December 15, 2020 Staff Report and Resolution No. 802
22 with appendices.
23

24 Mr. Garcia explained that draft Resolution No. 802 amends Appendix "C" and
25 Appendix "D" of the District's Rules and Regulations relating to the District's Capital
26 Facilities Charges under Sections 603 and 709 of the Rules and Regulations. He
27 reported that draft Resolution No. 802 was also presented to the Board of Trustees as
28 part of the Regular Meeting in November. Mr. Garcia stated that no changes have been
29 made to the draft Resolution or the Appendices since the November meeting. He
30 reviewed the calculations used to establish the Capital Facilities Charges and
31 recommended approval of Resolution No. 802 for the automatic annual adjustment to
32 the District's Capital Facilities Charges and meter installation fees effective January 1,
33 2021 pursuant to Sections 603 and 709 of the District Rules & Regulations.
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35 It was **MOVED** by Trustee Joos, seconded by Trustee Clay, to adopt Resolution No. 802
36 Approving the Automatic Annual Adjustment to the Capital Facilities Charges and
37 Meter Installation Fees contained in Amendments to Appendix "C" and Appendix
38 "D" of the District's Rules and Regulations.
39

40 The Motion carried and Resolution No. 802 was adopted by the following 4-0-0
41 roll call vote:
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43 **AYES, Trustees:** Jeff Clay
44 Jeff Holzer
45 Brad Joos
46 Lori Parker
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48 **NOES, Trustees:** None
49 **ABSTAIN, Trustees:** None
50 **ABSENT, Trustees:** Michael Burchardi
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1 4. Water Rate Review/January 2021 Scheduled Rate Adjustment

2 The Board packet included Exhibit "A" Water Rate Schedule of Proposed Rates of
3 District Resolution No. 756 and a November 19, 2019 Bartle Wells Associates Water Rate
4 Review presentation.
5

6 Mr. Garcia welcomed and introduced Mr. Alex Handlers, of Bartle Wells Associates. Mr.
7 Garcia indicated that the District's previously approved water rate adjustments are
8 scheduled to take effect on January 1, 2021 pursuant to the Board-approved 2016 Water
9 Financial Plan & Rate Study. He explained that the January 1, 2021 rate adjustments do
10 not require Board approval as they were previously approved and adopted under Board
11 Resolution No. 756 on December 13, 2016. However, this matter was being presented to
12 inform the Board of the scheduled adjustments and to provide an opportunity for Board
13 discussion prior to implementation. Mr. Garcia reported that in 2019, the Board requested
14 staff to provide a water rate verification prior to the previous rate adjustments in January
15 2020, which was done and presented by Alex Handlers of Bartle Wells Associates. He
16 explained that Mr. Handlers was in attendance at this meeting to review the water rate
17 verification scenarios presented in 2019 and to answer any questions that the Board may
18 have at this time.
19

20 Mr. Handlers summarized the information contained in his 2019 presentation to the Board
21 and discussed several potential rate adjustment scenarios, each scenario's impact on
22 revenues and reserves, and the District 2019/20 water sales and the Special Tax
23 Assessment.
24

25 Board discussion ensued regarding the future financial effects of deferring the scheduled
26 January 1, 2021 rate increase or decreasing the percentage of the rate adjustments. The
27 Board also discussed the financial effects that COVID-19 has had on District customers,
28 the potential financial impacts of the pending Chromium 6 MCL mandate by the State,
29 the District's Capital Improvement Program, the Special Tax Assessment, recovery of
30 reserves, decreased water sales, public awareness and customer communication,
31 completion of a new water rate study and the Proposition 218 process, and the District's
32 debt service.
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34 It was MOVED by Trustee Parker, seconded by Trustee Clay, and carried by a 4-0-0 roll
35 call vote, with Trustee Burchardi absent, to defer the water rate increases scheduled to
36 take effect on January 1, 2021, and to bring the matter back for Board discussion in June
37 2021.
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39 The Board and Mr. Garcia thanked Mr. Handlers for his attendance and participation in
40 the discussion.
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42 5. District Land and Air Space

- 43 a) Resolution No. 803: A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River
44 Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1 Concerning Inventory of
45 District Land and Air Space
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47 The Board packet included draft Resolution No. 803 and supporting documentation.
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49 Mr. Garcia reported that pursuant to Section 50569 of the California Government Code,
50 the District must inventory its land and air space on an annual basis to determine if
51 any surplus land exists. He stated that based on the inventory, no District lands are
52 deemed surplus to the District's foreseeable needs and recommended approval of
53 Resolution No. 803 as presented.

1 It was **MOVED** by Trustee Joos, seconded by Trustee Parker, to adopt Resolution No.
2 803 Concerning Inventory of District Land and Air Space.
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4 The Motion carried and Resolution No. 803 was adopted by the following 4-0-0
5 roll call vote:
6

7 **AYES, Trustees:** Jeff Clay
8 Jeff Holzer
9 Brad Joos
10 Lori Parker

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12 **NOES, Trustees:** None
13 **ABSTAIN, Trustees:** None
14 **ABSENT, Trustees:** Michael Burchardi
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16 **10. REPORT, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE BOARD ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:**
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18 **A. SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT**

19 **1. Eastern Management Area Update**

20 The Board packet included a Notice and Agenda of the Special Meeting of the
21 Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the Eastern Management Area in the Santa Ynez
22 River Valley Groundwater Basin for December 10, 2020, and a December 10, 2020
23 Sustainable Management Criteria PowerPoint presentation for the Eastern Management
24 Area.
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26 Mr. Garcia reported that he and Trustee Joos attended the December 10, 2020
27 video/teleconference meeting of the Eastern Management Area (EMA) Groundwater
28 Sustainability Agency for the (GSA). Mr. Garcia reviewed several topics discussed at the
29 meeting. Trustee Joos reported on the meeting and stated that his focus has been getting
30 an accurate description of the basin. He indicated that data gathering includes how
31 much groundwater storage is in the basin, the recharge rate, and how much natural
32 drainage occurs, all of which are very important in developing an accurate description.
33 Mr. Garcia explained that more technical analysis and modeling is being completed in
34 early 2021 that will determine the status of the basin. Mr. Garcia stated that he would
35 provide further updates to the Board and encouraged the public and all stakeholders to
36 become involved in the GSA meetings and overall SGMA process. He stated the next
37 meeting of the EMA GSA will be held on January 21, 2021.
38

39 **11. UPDATE FROM ALTERNATIVE POWER / SOLAR AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE**

40 Mr. Garcia updated the Board on the Alternative Power / Solar Ad Hoc Committee activities.
41 He reported that the Ad Hoc Committee and staff have conducted site visits with two solar
42 companies. He explained that each company will utilize information from the site visits to
43 determine whether solar installations may be advantageous, and that staff expects to receive
44 additional feedback from the companies in the early months of 2021.
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46 **12. REPORTS BY THE BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF, QUESTIONS OF STAFF, STATUS REPORTS,**
47 **ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMMITTEE REPORTS, OBSERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS AND/OR**
48 **COMMUNICATIONS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION**

49 The Board packet included the Family Farm Alliance Monthly Briefing for November 2020.
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51 **13. CORRESPONDENCE: GENERAL MANAGER RECOMMENDS FILING OF VARIOUS ITEMS:**

52 The Correspondence list was received by the Board.
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1 14. REQUESTS FOR ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED ON THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

2 There were no requests from the Board.

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4 15. NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

5 President Clay stated that the next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for
6 January 19, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

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8 Mr. Garcia announced that the Open Session public participation video and phone lines would
9 be closed for the next thirty (30) minutes to allow the Board to convene into Closed Session. He
10 explained that the public participation video and phone lines would be reopened thirty (30)
11 minutes later for the remaining Agenda items. Mr. Garcia thanked everyone for participating in
12 the video/ teleconference and stated that the Open Session meeting would reconvene at 6:55 p.m.
13 to report any action taken during Closed Session.

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15 16. CLOSED SESSION:

16 The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:25 p.m.

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18 A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

19 [Subdivision (d)(1) of Section 54956.9 of the Government Code - 1 case]

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21 1. Name of Case: Adjudicatory proceedings pending before the State Water Resources
22 Control Board regarding Permit 15878 issued on Application 22423 to the City of
23 Solvang, Petitions for Change, and Related Protests

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25 17. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION:

26 [Sections 54957.1 and 54957.7 of the Government Code]

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28 The public participation video and phone lines were re-opened at approximately 6:55 p.m.
29 The Board reconvened to Open Session and Ms. Martone conducted roll call at 7:09 p.m. and
30 reported that four Trustees were present when the meeting reconvened to Open Session, with
31 Trustee Burchardi absent.

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33 Mr. Garcia announced that the Board met in Closed Session concerning Agenda Item 16.A.1.
34 He stated that there was no reportable action from Closed Session.

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36 18. ADJOURNMENT:

37 Being no further business, it was MOVED by Trustee Joos, seconded by Trustee Clay, and
38 carried by a 4-0-0 roll call vote, with Trustee Burchardi absent, to adjourn the meeting at
39 approximately 7:10 p.m.

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41 **RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,**

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Mary Martone, Secretary to the Board

ATTEST: _____

Jeff Clay, President

MINUTES PREPARED BY: _____

Karen King, Board Administrative Assistant

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT,
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO.1
January 19, 2021**

Consent Agenda Report

CA-1. Water Supply and Production Report. Total water production in **December (250 AF)** was lower than water production in November (267 AF [corrected]), but was higher than the 10-year running average for the month of **December (185 AF)** due to relatively dry conditions for this time of year. As previously reported, the District overall has been experiencing below average demands for domestic, rural residential, and agricultural water supplies due to water conservation, changing water use patterns, private well installations, and weather conditions.

For the month of **December**, approximately **138 AF** was produced from the Santa Ynez Upland wells, and approximately **112 AF** was produced from the 6.0 cfs and 4.0 cfs river well fields. As reflected in the Monthly Water Deliveries Report from the Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA), the District did not receive any SWP supplies for the month (no Table A deliveries and no Exchange deliveries). Direct diversions to USBR and the County Park were **1.49 AF**.

The USBR Daily Operations Report for Lake Cachuma in **December** (ending December 31, 2020) recorded the lake elevation at **727.25'** with the end of month storage of **124,478 AF**. USBR recorded total precipitation at the lake of **2.00 inches**. For the month, reservoir storage was supplemented with **10.0 AF** of SWP deliveries for the South Coast agencies. Reservoir evaporation in **December** was **395.0 AF**.

Based on the maximum storage of 193,305 AF, Cachuma reservoir is currently (as of **January 11, 2021**) at approximately **64.1%** of capacity (Santa Barbara County Flood Control District, Rainfall and Reservoir Summary). At a point when reservoir storage exceeds 100,000 AF, the Cachuma Member Units typically have received a full allocation, which is the case for this federal WY 2019-20. Conversely, a 20% pro-rata reduction from the full allocation is scheduled to occur in Water Years beginning at less than 100,000 AF, where incremental reductions may occur at other lower storage levels. **For the federal WY 2020-2021** (October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021), the Cachuma Member Units requested a 100% allocation of the Project's annual operational yield of 25,714 AF. The request was submitted to USBR through the County Water Agency on June 29, 2020. **By letter dated October 19, 2020**, USBR issued a 100% allocation decision. ID No.1's share is 10.31% or 2,651 AF. In addition to its 2020-21 allocation, ID No.1 currently holds approximately 1,290 AF of previous years carryover water in the reservoir, subject to evaporation.

Water releases for the protection of fish and aquatic habitat are made from Cachuma reservoir to the lower Santa Ynez River pursuant to the 2000 Biological Opinion issued by the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and the 2019 Water Rights Order (WR 2019-0148) issued by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). These releases are made to Hilton Creek and to the stilling basin from the outlet works at the base of Bradbury Dam. The water releases required under the NMFS 2000 Biological Opinion to avoid jeopardy to steelhead and adverse impacts to its critical habitat are summarized as follows:

NMFS 2000 Biological Opinion

- *When Reservoir Spills and the Spill Amount Exceeds 20,000 AF:*
 - 10 cfs at Hwy 154 Bridge during spill year(s) exceeding 20,000 AF
 - 1.5 cfs at Alisal Bridge when spill amount exceeds 20,000 AF and if steelhead are present at Alisal Reach
 - 1.5 cfs at Alisal Bridge in the year immediately following a spill that exceeded 20,000 AF and if steelhead are present at Alisal Reach
- *When Reservoir Does Not Spill or When Reservoir Spills Less Than 20,000 AF:*
 - 5 cfs at Hwy 154 when Reservoir does not spill and Reservoir storage is above 120,000 AF, or when Reservoir spill is less than 20,000 AF
 - 2.5 cfs at Hwy 154 in all years when Reservoir storage is below 120,000 AF but greater than 30,000 AF
 - 1.5 cfs at Alisal Bridge if the Reservoir spilled in the preceding year and the spill amount exceeded 20,000 AF and if steelhead are present at Alisal Reach
 - 30 AF per month to “refresh the stilling basin and long pool” when Reservoir storage is less than 30,000 AF

The water releases required under the SWRCB 2019 Water Rights Order for the protection of fish and other public trust resources in the lower Santa Ynez River and to prevent the waste and unreasonable use of water are summarized as follows:

SWRCB Order WR 2019-0148

- *During Below Normal, Dry, and Critical Dry water years (October 1 – September 30), releases shall be made in accordance with the requirements of the NMFS 2000 Biological Opinion as set forth above.*
- *During Above Normal and Wet water years, the following minimum flow requirements must be maintained at Hwy 154 and Alisal Bridges:*
 - 48 cfs from February 15 to April 14 for spawning
 - 20 cfs from February 15 to June 1 for incubation and rearing
 - 25 cfs from June 2 to June 9 for emigration, with ramping to 10 cfs by June 30
 - 10 cfs from June 30 to October 1 for rearing and maintenance of resident fish
 - 5 cfs from October 1 to February 15 for resident fish
- *For purposes of SWRCB Order WR 2019-0148, water year classifications are determined as follows:*
 - *Wet is when Cachuma Reservoir inflow is greater than 117,842 AF;*
 - *Above Normal is when Reservoir inflow is less than or equal to 117,842 AF or greater than 33,707 AF;*
 - *Below Normal is when Reservoir inflow is less than or equal to 33,707 AF or greater than 15,366 AF;*
 - *Dry is when Reservoir inflow is less than or equal to 15,366 AF or greater than 4,550 AF*
 - *Critical Dry is when Reservoir inflow is less than or equal to 4,550 AF*

For the month of December, water releases for fish were 322.5 AF to Hilton Creek and approximately 170 AF to the outlet works for a total of 492.5 AF. As of the end of December 2020, a total of approximately 39,961 AF of Cachuma Project water has been released under regulatory requirements for the protection of fish and fish habitat below Bradbury Dam since the year after the last spill in 2011.

CA-2. State Water Project (SWP) and Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA) Updates.

As reflected in the Consent Report materials, on December 1, 2020 the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) issued an initial SWP Table A allocation of 10% for the year 2021. This initial allocation translates to 70 AF for ID No.1's share of Table A supplies through CCWA. Depending on winter hydrology in the SWP system, DWR may increase its Table A allocation decision in the early months of 2021. Information regarding SWP Table A allocations from 1996 to present are included with this Consent Report.

As reflected in the Agendas of the CCWA Operating Committee (January 14, 2021) and Joint Meeting of the CCWA Operating Committee and Advisory Committee of the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (January 14, 2021), CCWA continues to remain strongly engaged in a variety of matters related to the SWP and SWP supplies, including but not limited to: SWP delivery schedules; proposed water management amendments to the SWP Contract; scheduling preparation of the 2021/22 budget; and work with San Luis Obispo County on potential water management strategies.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
 U.S. BUREAU OF RECLAMATION-CACHUMA PROJECT-CALIFORNIA

DECEMBER 2020

LAKE CACHUMA DAILY OPERATIONS

RUN DATE: January 1, 2021

DAY	ELEV	STORAGE		COMPUTED* INFLOW AF.	CCWA INFLOW AF.	PRECIP ON RES. SURF. AF.	RELEASE - AF.				EVAP AF.	PRECIP INCH	PRECIP INCHES	
		IN LAKE	CHANGE				TUNNEL	HILTON CREEK	OUTLET	SPILLWAY				
	728.23	126,708												
1	728.20	126,639	-69	15.2	0.0	.0	48.9	10.5	11.0	.0	13.8	.110	.00	
2	728.15	126,525	-114	-34.2	0.0	.0	48.2	10.5	6.0	.0	15.1	.120	.00	
3	728.12	126,456	-69	11.5	0.0	.0	48.7	10.5	5.0	.0	16.3	.130	.00	
4	728.09	126,365	-91	-11.4	0.0	.0	49.0	10.5	5.0	.0	15.1	.120	.00	
5	728.05	126,296	-69	17.9	0.0	.0	55.3	10.5	6.0	.0	15.1	.120	.00	
6	728.02	126,228	-68	8.0	7.1	.0	50.0	10.5	5.0	.0	17.6	.140	.00	
7	727.98	126,136	-92	-17.7	0.0	.0	48.8	10.5	5.0	.0	10.0	.080	.00	
8	727.94	126,045	-91	6.4	0.0	.0	65.6	10.5	5.0	.0	16.3	.130	.00	
9	727.91	125,977	-68	26.7	0.0	.0	64.4	10.5	6.0	.0	13.8	.110	.00	
10	727.86	125,862	-115	-18.9	0.0	.0	66.8	10.5	5.0	.0	13.8	.110	.00	
11	727.81	125,748	-114	-21.4	0.0	.0	65.9	10.4	5.0	.0	11.3	.090	.00	
12	727.77	125,657	-91	-0.6	0.0	.0	66.2	10.4	5.0	.0	8.8	.070	.00	
13	727.75	125,611	-46	50.3	0.0	.0	66.1	10.4	6.0	.0	13.8	.110	.00	
14	727.69	125,474	-137	-72.4	0.0	.0	39.2	10.4	5.0	.0	10.0	.080	.00	
15	727.66	125,406	-68	0.6	0.0	.0	40.7	10.4	5.0	.0	12.5	.100	.00	
16	727.64	125,360	-46	21.5	0.0	.0	39.9	10.4	6.0	.0	11.2	.090	.00	
17	727.61	125,292	-68	13.0	0.0	.0	51.9	10.4	5.0	.0	13.7	.110	.00	
18	727.56	125,178	-114	-31.4	0.0	.0	57.2	10.4	5.0	.0	10.0	.080	.00	
19	727.53	125,111	-67	22.2	2.9	.0	66.7	10.4	5.0	.0	10.0	.080	.00	
20	727.49	125,020	-91	3.8	0.0	.0	67.2	10.4	6.0	.0	11.2	.090	.00	
21	727.46	124,952	-68	31.5	0.0	.0	67.9	10.4	5.0	.0	16.2	.130	.00	
22	727.40	124,817	-135	-36.1	0.0	.0	67.4	10.3	5.0	.0	16.2	.130	.00	
23	727.37	124,749	-68	25.5	0.0	.0	68.4	10.4	6.0	.0	8.7	.070	.00	
24	727.32	124,636	-113	-22.1	0.0	.0	69.4	10.3	5.0	.0	6.2	.050	.00	
25	727.28	124,545	-91	0.5	0.0	.0	65.0	10.3	5.0	.0	11.2	.090	.00	
26	727.24	124,455	-90	2.8	0.0	.0	68.8	10.3	5.0	.0	8.7	.070	.00	
27	727.22	124,410	-45	24.0	0.0	13.2	48.5	10.3	6.0	.0	17.4	.140	.07	
28	727.28	124,545	+135	15.0	0.0	196.2	34.8	10.3	5.0	.0	26.1	.210	1.04	
29	727.30	124,591	+46	-70.7	0.0	166.0	32.8	10.3	5.0	.0	1.2	.010	.88	
30	727.28	124,545	-46	16.3	0.0	.0	33.3	10.3	5.0	.0	13.7	.110	.00	
31	727.25	124,478	-67	-8.6	0.0	1.9	34.0	10.3	6.0	.0	10.0	.080	.01	
TOTAL (AF)			-2,230	-32.8	10.0	377.3	1,697.0	322.5	170.0	.0	395.0	3.160	2.00	
(AVG)		125,391												

COMMENTS:

* COMPUTED INFLOW IS THE SUM OF CHANGE IN STORAGE, RELEASES, AND EVAPORATION MINUS PRECIP ON THE RESERVOIR SURFACE AND CCWA INFLOW.

DATA BASED ON 24-HOUR PERIOD ENDING 0800.

INDICATED OUTLETS RELEASE INCLUDE ANY LEAKAGE AROUND GATES.



Santa Barbara County - Flood Control District

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Rainfall and Reservoir Summary

Updated 8am: 1/11/2021

Water Year: 2021

Storm Number: NA

Notes: Daily rainfall amounts are recorded as of 8am for the previous 24 hours. Rainfall units are expressed in inches.

All data on this page are from automated sensors, are preliminary, and subject to verification.

*Each Water Year (WY) runs from Sept 1 through Aug 31 and is designated by the calendar year in which it ends

County Real-Time Rainfall and Reservoir Website link: > <http://www.countyofsb.org/hydrology>

Rainfall	ID	24 hrs	Storm Oday(s)	Month	Year*	% to Date	% of Year*	AI
Buellton (Fire Stn)	233	0.00	0.00	0.02	1.87	30%	11%	
Cachuma Dam (USBR)	332	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.98	28%	10%	
Carpinteria (Fire Stn)	208	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.83	28%	11%	
Cuyama (Fire Stn)	436	0.00	0.00	0.01	1.14	40%	15%	
Figueroa Mtn. (USFS Stn)	421	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.33	29%	11%	10.5
Gibraltar Dam (City Facility)	230	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.25	34%	12%	10.1
Goleta (Fire Stn-Los Cameros)	440	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.46	34%	13%	
Lompoc (City Hall)	439	0.00	0.00	0.01	1.84	33%	13%	10.4
Los Alamos (Fire Stn)	204	0.00	0.00	0.01	2.58	46%	17%	
San Marcos Pass (USFS Stn)	212	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.75	29%	11%	
Santa Barbara (County Bldg)	234	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.23	33%	12%	
Santa Maria (City Pub. Works)	380	0.00	0.00	0.01	1.85	36%	14%	
Santa Ynez (Fire Stn /Airport)	218	0.00	0.00	0.01	2.08	36%	13%	
Sisquoc (Fire Stn)	256	0.01	0.00	0.01	1.66	29%	11%	

County-wide percentage of "Normal-to-Date" rainfall :

33%

County-wide percentage of "Normal Water-Year" rainfall :

12%

County-wide percentage of "Normal Water-Year" rainfall calculated assuming no more rain through Aug. 31, 2021 (End of WY2021).

AI (Antecedent Index / Soil Wetness)

6.0 and below = Wet (min. = 2.5)

6.1 - 9.0 = Moderate

9.1 and above = Dry (max. = 12.5)

Reservoirs

Reservoir Elevations referenced to NGVD-29.

**Cachuma is full and subject to spilling at elevation 750 ft.

However, the lake is surcharged to 753 ft. for fish release water.

(Cachuma water storage is based on Dec 2013 capacity revision)

Click on Site for Real-Time Readings	Spillway	Current	Max.	Current	Current	Storage	Storage
	Elev. (ft)	Elev. (ft)	Storage (ac-ft)	Storage (ac-ft)	Capacity (%)	Change Mo.(ac-ft)	Change Year*(ac-ft)
<u>Gibraltar Reservoir</u>	1,400.00	1,374.42	4,559	464	10.2%	-76	-1,746
<u>Cachuma Reservoir</u>	753.**	727.04	193,305	124,002	64.1%	-431	-19,773
<u>Jameson Reservoir</u>	2,224.00	2,213.48	4,848	3,620	74.7%	-30	-668
<u>Twitchell Reservoir</u>	651.50	540.39	194,971	2,881	1.5%	56	-939

[Previous Rainfall and Reservoir Summaries](#)



CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY

MEMORANDUM

TO: Ray Stokes, Executive Director
Lisa Long, Controller

January 13, 2021

FROM: Julie Baker

SUBJECT: REVISED Monthly Water Deliveries for December, 2020

[Note: This Revised Delivery Report for the Month of December, 2020 reflects a change in allocated Bradbury deliveries on pg. 2 of report. Please discard previous December report]

According to the CCWA revenue meters at each turnout, the following deliveries were made during the month of December, 2020:

Table with 2 columns: Project Participant, Delivery Amount (acre-feet). Rows include Chorro (159.42), Lopez (20.32), Shandon (0.00), Guadalupe (1.11), Santa Maria (280.91), Golden State Water Co. (0.00), Vandenberg (0.00), Buellton (28.34), Solvang (65.75), Santa Ynez ID#1 (0.00), Bradbury (9.92), and TOTAL (565.77).

In order to reconcile these deliveries with the DWR revenue meter, which read 591 acre-feet, the following delivery amounts should be used for billing purposes:

Table with 2 columns: Project Participant, Delivery Amount (acre-feet). Rows include Chorro (167), Lopez (21), Shandon (0), Guadalupe (1), Santa Maria (292*), Golden State Water Co (2*), Vandenberg (0), Buellton (29), Solvang (69), Santa Ynez ID#1 (0), Bradbury (10), and TOTAL (591).

*Golden State Water Company delivered 2 acre-feet into its system through the Santa Maria turnout. This delivery is recorded by providing a credit of 2 acre-feet to the City of Santa Maria and a charge in the same amount, to the Golden State Water Company.

Notes: Santa Ynez ID#1 water usage is divided into 0 acre-feet of Table A water and 0 acre-feet of exchange water.

The exchange water is allocated as follows

<u>Project Participant</u>	<u>Exchange Amount (acre-feet)</u>
Goleta	0
Santa Barbara	0
Montecito	0
Carpinteria	0
TOTAL	0

Bradbury Deliveries into Lake Cachuma are allocated as follows:

<u>Project Participant</u>	<u>Delivery Amount (acre-feet)</u>
Carpinteria	0
Goleta	0
La Cumbre	0
Montecito	0
Morehart	7
Santa Barbara	0
Raytheon	3
TOTAL	10

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cc: Tom Bunosky, GWD
James Luongo, Golden State WC
Rebecca Bjork, City of Santa Barbara
Daryl Smith, MWD
Janet Gingras, COMB
Craig Kesler, San Luis Obispo County
Paeter Garcia, Santa Ynez RWCD ID#1
Shad Springer, City of Santa Maria
Shannon Sweeney, City of Guadalupe
Robert MacDonald, Carpinteria Valley WD
Mike Peña, City of Guadalupe
Mike Alvarado, La Cumbre Mutual WC
Alex Keuper, CVWD
Pernell Rush, Vandenberg AFB
Nick Turner, Montecito WD
Laura Menahen, Montecito WD
Matt van der Linden, City of Solvang

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF
DELIVERY RECORDS AND ASSOCIATED
CALCULATIONS**



John Brady
Deputy Director, Operations and Engineering
Central Coast Water Authority

STATE WATER PROJECT
Historical Table A Allocations
Water Years 1996-2021 ¹

YEAR	DATE	ALLOCATION
1996	12/1/1995	75%
	3/4/1996	90%
	3/8/1996	100%
1997	12/2/1996	70%
	2/11/1997	100%
1998	12/1/1997	40%
	1/26/1998	60%
	2/11/1998	80%
	3/11/1998	100%
1999	11/24/1998	55%
	2/10/1999	60%
	3/10/1999	100%
2000	11/30/1999	50%
	2/25/2000	70%
	3/10/2000	100%
	4/20/2000	90%
2001	12/1/2000	40%
	1/31/2001	20%
	3/6/2001	25%
	3/15/2001	30%
	5/4/2001	33%
	5/17/2001	35%
	8/16/2001	39%
2002	11/30/2001	20%
	1/11/2002	45%
	3/22/2002	55%
	3/28/2002	60%
	5/14/2002	65%
	8/23/2002	70%
2003	12/3/2002	20%
	1/16/2003	45%
	3/26/2003	50%
	4/24/2003	70%
	5/16/2003	90%
2004	12/1/2003	35%
	1/15/2004	50%
	3/1/2004	65%
2005	12/1/2004	40%
	1/14/2005	60%
	4/1/2005	70%
	4/21/2005	80%
	5/27/2005	90%
2006	11/22/2005	55%
	12/14/2005	65%
	1/17/2006	70%
	3/23/2006	80%
	4/18/2006	100%
2007	11/30/2006	60% ²

YEAR	DATE	ALLOCATION
2008	11/21/2007	25%
	2/1/2008	35%
2009	10/29/2008	15%
	3/18/2009	20%
	4/15/2009	30%
	5/20/2009	40%
2010	11/30/2009	5%
	2/23/2010	15%
	3/30/2010	20%
	4/22/2010	30%
	5/3/2010	40%
	5/20/2010	45%
2011	6/22/2010	50%
	11/22/2010	25%
	12/16/2010	50%
	1/20/2011	60%
	3/15/2011	70%
2012	4/20/2011	80%
	11/18/2011	60%
	2/21/2012	50%
	4/16/2012	60%
2013	5/23/2012	65%
	11/29/2012	30%
	12/21/2012	40%
2014	3/22/2013	35%
	11/19/2013	5%
	1/31/2014	0%
2015	4/18/2014	5%
	12/1/2014	10%
	1/15/2015	15%
2016	3/2/2015	20%
	12/1/2015	10%
	1/26/2016	15%
	2/24/2016	30%
	3/17/2016	45%
2017	4/21/2016	60%
	11/28/2016	20%
	12/21/2016	45%
	1/18/2017	60%
2018	4/14/2017	85%
	11/29/2017	15%
	1/29/2018	20%
	4/24/2018	30%
2019	5/21/2018	35%
	11/30/2018	10%
	1/25/2019	15%
	2/20/2019	35%
	3/20/2019	70%
	6/19/2019	75%

YEAR	DATE	ALLOCATION
2020	12/2/2019	10%
	1/24/2020	15%
	5/22/2020	20%
2021	12/1/2020	10%

¹ Presents all allocation announcements for years 1996 to the present. Data for earlier years can be found in Bulletin 132.

² The 11/29/06 initial allocation of 60% for 2007 remained unchanged for that year, as documented in Notice to Contractors 07-06.



**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE OPERATING COMMITTEE
of the
CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY**

will be held at 9:00 a.m., on Thursday, January 14, 2021
via URL: <https://meetings.ringcentral.com/j/1490813471>
or via telephone by dialing 1(623) 404-9000 and entering code 149 081 3471#

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Member Agencies

City of Buellton

Carpinteria Valley
Water District

City of Guadalupe

City of Santa Barbara

City of Santa Maria

Goleta Water District

Montecito Water District

Santa Ynez River Water
Conservation District,
Improvement District #1

Associate Member

La Cumbre Mutual
Water Company

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

II. Public Comment – (Any member of the public may address the Committee relating to any matter within the Committee's jurisdiction. Individual Speakers may be limited to five minutes; all speakers to a total of fifteen minutes.)

III. * Consent Calendar

- A. Approve Minutes of the October 8, 2020 Operating Committee Meeting
- B. Approve Minutes of the November 30, 2020 Joint Meeting of the Operating Committee and San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District State Water Subcontractors Advisory Committee

IV. Executive Director's Report

- A. Operations Update
- B. Water Supply Situation Report
- * C. Water Delivery Schedules for Year 2021 and Estimate for FY 2021/2022
- * D. State Water Project Contract Amendment #21 (Water Management Amendment)
- * E. FY 2021/22 Budget Preparation Schedule

* Indicates attachment of document to agenda packet

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- V. **CLOSED SESSION**
 - A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)
(4): 2 cases
- VI. **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**
- VII. **Reports from Committee Members for Information Only**
- VIII. **Date of Next Regular Meeting:**
March 11, 2021
- IX. **Adjournment**



**A JOINT MEETING OF THE OPERATING COMMITTEE
of the
CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY
and
SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT STATE WATER SUBCONTRACTORS ADVISORY
COMMITTEE**

will be held immediately following the Regular CCWA Operating Committee

at 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, January 14, 2021

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- I. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
- II. **Public Comment – (Any member of the public may address the Committees relating to any matter within the Committees' jurisdiction. Individual Speakers may be limited to five minutes; all speakers to a total of fifteen minutes.)**
- III. * **Water Management Strategies Study Stakeholder Presentation and Needs Analysis to Maximize State Water Supplies in Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo Counties**
 - * A. Present Draft Needs Assessment Findings
 - B. Present Draft Selection Criteria
 - C. Present Regional Water Management Capability
 - D. Present Introduction to Water Management Components Identification
- IV. **Date of Next Regular Meeting:**
April 8, 2021
- V. **Adjournment**

* Indicates attachment of document to agenda packet

Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District ID #1
Statement of Revenues & Expenses
December 2020

	Dec 20	Nov 20	% Change	Jul - Dec 20
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
600000 · SERVICE & SALES REVENUE				
WATER SALES INCOME				
601000 · Water Sales - Agri.	76,238.72	76,705.90	-0.61%	753,497.54
602000 · Water Sales - Domestic	352,944.16	368,258.95	-4.16%	2,717,358.53
602100 · Water Sales - RRLmtd Ag.	196,693.39	207,766.07	-5.33%	1,522,906.38
602200 · Water Sales - Cach Pk	1,113.21	945.63	17.72%	9,251.10
604000 · Water Sales - Temp.	621.15	287.85	115.79%	3,408.75
606000 · Water Sales - Solvang	4,469.71	59,413.71	-92.48%	115,546.76
608000 · Water Sales - On-Demand	1,144.72	1,326.52	-13.71%	22,220.32
611500 · Fire Service Fees	9,741.40	9,711.10	0.31%	58,184.45
Total WATER SALES INCOME	642,966.46	724,415.73	-11.24%	5,202,373.83
SERVICE INCOME				
611100 · New Service Fees	447.64	7,702.22	-94.19%	23,766.55
611200 · Reconnection Fees	1,200.00	1,275.00	-5.88%	8,925.00
612400 · Penalties	5,422.34	4,829.02	12.29%	10,565.37
Total SERVICE INCOME	7,069.98	13,806.24	-48.79%	43,256.92
Total 600000 · SERVICE & SALES REVENUE	650,036.44	738,221.97	-11.95%	5,245,630.75
625000 · ASSESSMENTS, FEES & OTHER				
611600 · Capital Facilities Chrg.	4,099.05	4,099.05	0.0%	17,102.36
620006 · Reimbursed Field Labor	276.47	0.00	100.0%	276.47
620008 · Reimbursed Admin Labor	134.04	0.00	100.0%	134.04
624000 · Miscellaneous Revenue	1,074.00	1,012.00	6.13%	10,848.55
625200 · Administrative Fees	1,000.00	1,500.00	-33.33%	8,800.00
627000 · Tax Revenue - Secured	484,140.08	0.00	100.0%	484,140.08
628000 · INTEREST INCOME				
629000 · Interest Income - LAIF	0.00	0.00	0.0%	-27,307.55
629100 · Interest Income -PIMMA	236.65	293.35	-19.33%	1,819.05
630000 · Interest Income - Cking	2.14	4.20	-49.05%	24.52
Total 628000 · INTEREST INCOME	238.79	297.55	-19.75%	-25,463.98
890100 · SWP Pmt. from Solvang	0.00	0.00	0.0%	2,064,881.68
Total 625000 · ASSESSMENTS, FEES & OTHER	490,962.43	6,908.60	7,006.54%	2,560,719.20
Total Income	1,140,998.87	745,130.57	53.13%	7,806,349.95
Cost of Goods Sold				
702000 · SOURCE OF SUPPLY EXPENSES				
703000 · Cach. Water Entitlement	13,971.11	7,798.43	79.15%	135,846.44
704000 · State Water	190,091.28	190,091.28	0.0%	1,256,817.80
705000 · Ground Water Charges	20,588.40	0.00	100.0%	20,588.40
706000 · Cloudseeding Program	0.00	273.00	-100.0%	273.00
707000 · River Well Field Licenses	12,363.45	1,399.75	783.26%	13,763.20
860000 · Solvang-SWPmt	0.00	0.00	0.0%	2,064,881.68
Total 702000 · SOURCE OF SUPPLY EXPENSES	237,014.24	199,562.46	18.77%	3,492,170.52

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	Dec 20	Nov 20	% Change	Jul - Dec 20
710000 · INFRASTRUCTURE EXPENSES				
711000 · Maintenance - Wells	525.55	0.00	100.0%	1,110.24
712000 · Maintenance - Mains	0.00	3,928.89	-100.0%	31,500.11
713000 · Maintenance - Reservoirs	0.00	0.00	0.0%	1,326.81
714000 · Maintenance - Structures	0.00	1,450.00	-100.0%	1,450.00
717000 · Bradbury Dam SOD	0.00	0.00	0.0%	26,975.88
Total 710000 · INFRASTRUCTURE EXPENSES	525.55	5,378.89	-90.23%	62,363.04
725000 · PUMPING EXPENSES				
726000 · Pumping Expense (Power)	26,907.49	37,240.85	-27.75%	388,889.43
730000 · Maintenance - Structures	0.00	41.32	-100.0%	2,732.55
732000 · Maintenance - Equipmt.	8.18	0.00	100.0%	297.12
Total 725000 · PUMPING EXPENSES	26,915.67	37,282.17	-27.81%	391,919.10
740000 · WATER TREATMENT EXPENSES				
744000 · Chemicals	4,328.03	4,328.03	0.0%	21,207.36
748000 · Maintenance - Equipment	427.16	1,887.57	-77.37%	2,681.08
748100 · Water Treatment - Equipm	240.20	3,419.49	-92.98%	4,784.56
748200 · Water Sampling/Monitor	0.00	58.00	-100.0%	58.00
749000 · Water Analysis	0.00	980.00	-100.0%	2,775.00
Total 740000 · WATER TREATMENT EXPENSES	4,995.39	10,673.09	-53.2%	31,506.00
750000 · TRANSMISSION & DIST. EXPENSES				
799501 · Uniforms T&D	1,760.11	1,439.42	22.28%	8,763.54
775401 · ACWA - Health Ins. (T&D)	19,115.13	14,986.03	27.55%	106,563.44
775201 · ACWA - Delta Dental (T&D)	832.32	74.64	1,015.11%	3,803.28
775301 · ACWA - Vision (T&D)	154.89	32.04	383.43%	736.29
751000 · Labor	52,180.39	49,541.87	5.33%	308,113.09
751100 · Labor / Vacation	1,482.77	789.69	87.77%	8,035.17
751200 · Labor / Sick Leave	2,569.92	296.60	766.46%	6,341.52
751201 · Labor/COVID Sick Leave - T&D	0.00	3,242.24	-100.0%	3,242.24
752000 · Materials/Supplies				
752100 · Safety Equipment	82.17	0.00	100.0%	482.31
752000 · Materials/Supplies - Other	255.88	98.96	158.57%	1,187.08
Total 752000 · Materials/Supplies	338.05	98.96	241.6%	1,669.39
754000 · Small Tools	1,226.21	730.63	67.83%	3,194.33
754100 · Small Tools - Repairs	0.00	53.86	-100.0%	65.83
755000 · Transportation	4,961.17	1,843.59	169.1%	17,797.57
756000 · Meter Services	268.25	1,259.03	-78.69%	18,615.68
756100 · Meter Services - Repair	349.70	154.68	126.08%	8,265.13
757000 · Road Contracts	58.00	0.00	100.0%	58.00
759000 · Maintenance - Structures	263.31	225.00	17.03%	2,233.91
760000 · Fire Hydrants	0.00	0.00	0.0%	42.08
762000 · Backhoe-Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.0%	143.27
763000 · Generators/Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00
Total 750000 · TRANSMISSION & DIST. EXPENSES	85,560.22	74,768.28	14.43%	497,683.76
Total COGS	355,011.07	327,664.89	8.35%	4,475,642.42
Gross Profit	785,987.80	417,465.68	88.28%	3,330,707.53

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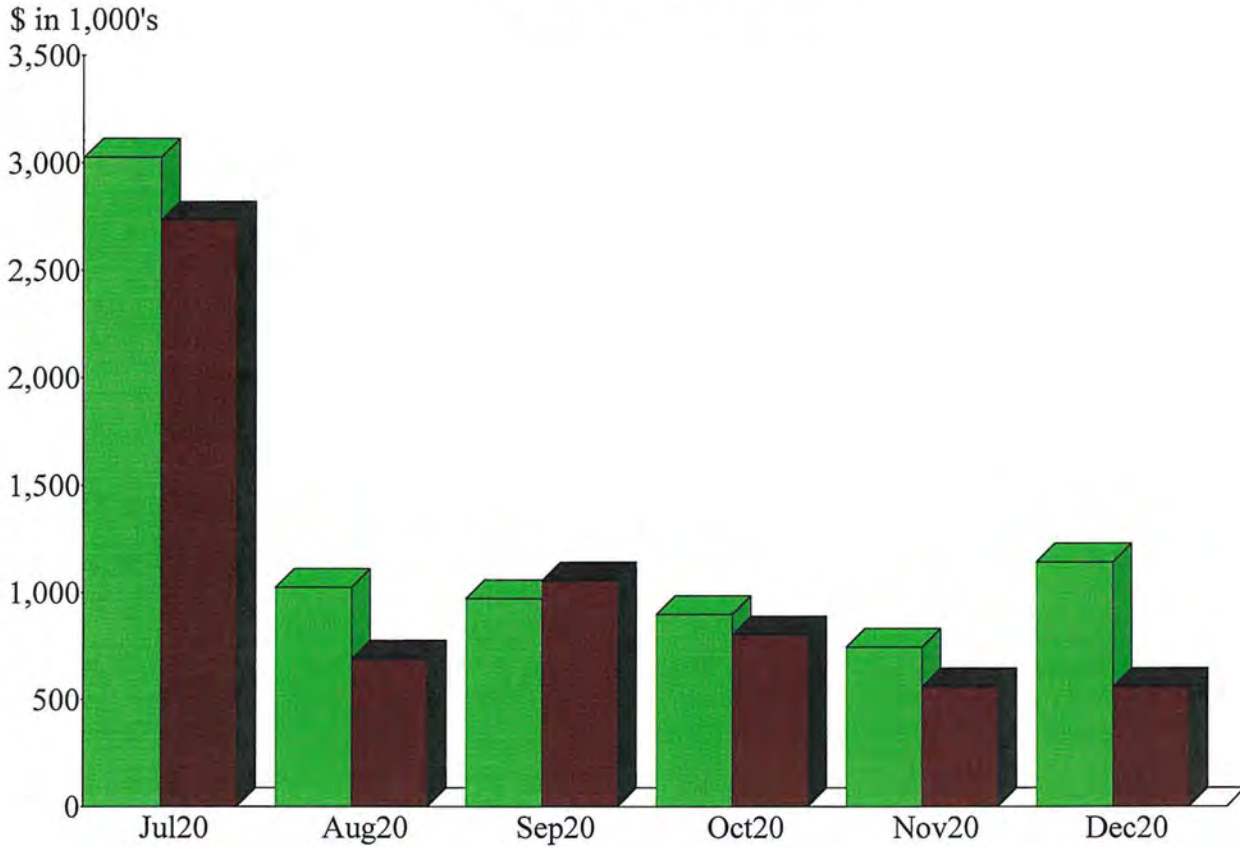
Expense	Dec 20	Nov 20	% Change	Jul - Dec 20
4000 · Reconciliation Discrepancies	0.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00
770000 · GENERAL & ADMIN EXPENSES				
774000 Workers Comp. - Ins.	6,046.68	0.00	100.0%	11,892.33
6560 · Payroll Expenses	36.00	36.00	0.0%	2,465.92
775000 · PERS - Retirement	26,146.40	26,446.40	-1.13%	156,309.91
775200 · ACWA - Dental (Admin)	743.28	823.00	-9.69%	4,228.44
775300 · ACWA - Vision (Admin)	172.10	171.76	0.2%	875.67
775400 · ACWA - Medical Insurance(Admin)	19,890.95	22,388.74	-11.16%	119,499.05
777000 · Salaries - Administrative Staff	81,820.52	80,079.36	2.17%	464,996.99
777100 · Salaries / Vacation	4,968.50	4,620.40	7.53%	19,783.85
777200 · Salaries / Sick Leave	269.96	156.53	72.47%	1,349.00
772100 · Admin - COVID Sick Leave	0.00	0.00	0.0%	6,667.46
777401 · Admin. - Comp Time	86.58	0.00	100.0%	86.58
778000 · Training, Travel & Conferences	307.00	0.00	100.0%	1,107.00
779000 · Dues,Subscrip,Certif.	626.25	279.50	124.06%	25,406.66
780000 · Building Maintenance	881.00	1,106.00	-20.34%	5,912.03
781000 · Office Supplies	893.87	308.69	189.57%	7,137.85
781100 · Computer Supply/Training/Softwr	3,500.84	0.00	100.0%	5,639.82
782000 · Postage & Printing	6,057.71	3,508.75	72.65%	24,386.12
783000 · Utilities	692.66	713.31	-2.9%	5,245.15
784000 · Telephone	1,250.48	1,236.54	1.13%	7,405.51
785000 · Special Services	881.85	697.19	26.49%	7,705.46
785100 · Government Fees	777.00	0.00	100.0%	6,612.00
786000 · Insurance & Bonds	5,201.29	5,201.29	0.0%	18,687.75
787000 · Payroll Taxes	8,189.81	8,532.64	-4.02%	53,545.34
788000 · Audit - Expenses				
788100 · General Accounting	0.00	705.00	-100.0%	6,884.00
788000 · Audit - Expenses - Other	0.00	10,565.00	-100.0%	22,058.00
Total 788000 · Audit - Expenses	0.00	11,270.00	-100.0%	28,942.00
789000 · Legal - Expenses Gen.	5,214.00	1,891.00	175.73%	19,824.00
790000 · Gen/Prfsnl Consultant Expenses	20.00	367.50	-94.56%	2,174.78
791000 · Planning & Research	680.00	0.00	100.0%	4,017.10
792000 · Bad Debts	2.76	59.47	-95.36%	2,824.05
793000 · Office Equip. Service Contracts	3,121.87	2,216.20	40.87%	15,056.84
794000 · Interest Expenses	9,812.50	0.00	100.0%	25,468.18
794100 · Annual Fee - Bond Fund	0.00	0.00	0.0%	1,425.00
797000 · Trustee Fees	2,000.00	1,800.00	11.11%	9,800.00
799000 · Miscellaneous Expenses/Vendors	3,347.36	3,452.08	-3.03%	20,646.79
799525 · Gardening Service	240.00	240.00	0.0%	1,440.00
799600 · Customer Refunds	0.00	0.00	0.0%	-58.73
Total 770000 · GENERAL & ADMIN EXPENSES	193,879.22	177,602.35	9.17%	1,088,505.90
Total Expense	193,879.22	177,602.35	9.17%	1,088,505.90
Net Ordinary Income	592,108.58	239,863.33	146.85%	2,242,201.63
Other Income/Expense				

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Statement of Revenues & Expenses
 December 2020

	Dec 20	Nov 20	% Change	Jul - Dec 20
Other Expense				
800000 · LEGAL/ENGINEERING				
800100 · Legal - BHFS				
800102 · Sustainable Grndwtr Mgmt Act	4,453.00	876.00	408.33%	25,772.98
Total 800100 · Legal - BHFS	4,453.00	876.00	408.33%	25,772.98
800200 · Legal -BB&K/Consultants				
800201 · NMFS Biop Recon/Stlhd Rcvry Pln	3,212.00	3,759.50	-14.56%	13,906.50
Total 800200 · Legal -BB&K/Consultants	3,212.00	3,759.50	-14.56%	13,906.50
800203 · River Water Righ Proceed (BHFS)	114.00	4,449.00	-97.44%	28,566.50
800300 · Engineering	0.00	5,209.25	-100.0%	10,136.42
800500 · Unanticipated Spc Legal Expense	1,823.50	2,488.50	-26.72%	16,335.50
826201 · SWRCB Order/Studies (BBK)	0.00	0.00	0.0%	1,241.00
Total 800000 · LEGAL/ENGINEERING	9,602.50	16,782.25	-42.78%	95,958.90
825000 · STUDIES				
825400 · CCRB (Shared Consultants)				
825401 · Joint Bio Op Recon.-Consultants	0.00	2,545.21	-100.0%	7,426.47
Total 825400 · CCRB (Shared Consultants)	0.00	2,545.21	-100.0%	7,426.47
825600 · SB Co Water Agency				
825601 · Integrated Regional Water Man.	0.00	300.00	-100.0%	3,075.00
825600 · SB Co Water Agency - Other	300.00	0.00	100.0%	5,120.22
Total 825600 · SB Co Water Agency	300.00	300.00	0.0%	8,195.22
825800 · BiOp Implementation	0.00	20,960.00	-100.0%	35,960.00
825900 · Water System Study Updt (Stet)	0.00	816.75	-100.0%	2,269.50
826000 · System Capacity/Cap Impv Plan	1,650.00	225.00	633.33%	1,504.75
826101 · SWRCB Order/Studies (Stet/Han)	0.00	0.00	0.0%	2,142.28
Total 825000 · STUDIES	1,950.00	24,846.96	-92.15%	57,498.22
850000 · NON-CAPITAL EXPENSES				
850500 · USBR Cach Proj Contract/Cap Prg	0.00	118.50	-100.0%	7,584.00
Total 850000 · NON-CAPITAL EXPENSES	0.00	118.50	-100.0%	7,584.00
900100 · Constr in Progress CY				
900335 · SWP Pump Station/Pipeline	0.00	0.00	0.0%	1,821.70
900332 · Water Treatment Plant/Fac	0.00	0.00	0.0%	907.52
900106 · Rehab/Rplc - Trans. Mains/Lats	95.00	0.00	100.0%	456,434.28
Total 900100 · Constr in Progress CY	95.00	0.00	100.0%	459,163.50
900370 · Capital Improvement Prog - CY				
900318 · Meter Replace/Utility Billing	0.00	0.00	0.0%	16,119.59
900371 · Office Building/Shop Improvemen	0.00	0.00	0.0%	14,852.72
900372 · Office Furn., Computers & Equip	0.00	9,888.47	-100.0%	9,888.47
900376 · Communications/Telemetry-SCADA	0.00	3,733.05	-100.0%	71,075.57
900378 · Mjr. Tools, Shop & Garage Equip	0.00	0.00	0.0%	103,614.16
Total 900370 · Capital Improvement Prog - CY	0.00	13,621.52	-100.0%	215,550.51
Total Other Expense	11,647.50	55,369.23	-78.96%	835,755.13
Net Other Income	-11,647.50	-55,369.23	78.96%	-835,755.13
Net Income	580,461.08	184,494.10	214.62%	1,406,446.50

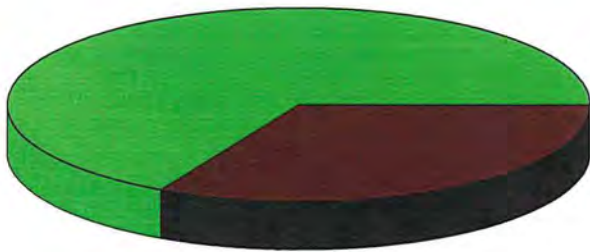
Income and Expense by Month
July through December 2020

Income
Expense



Income Summary
July through December 2020

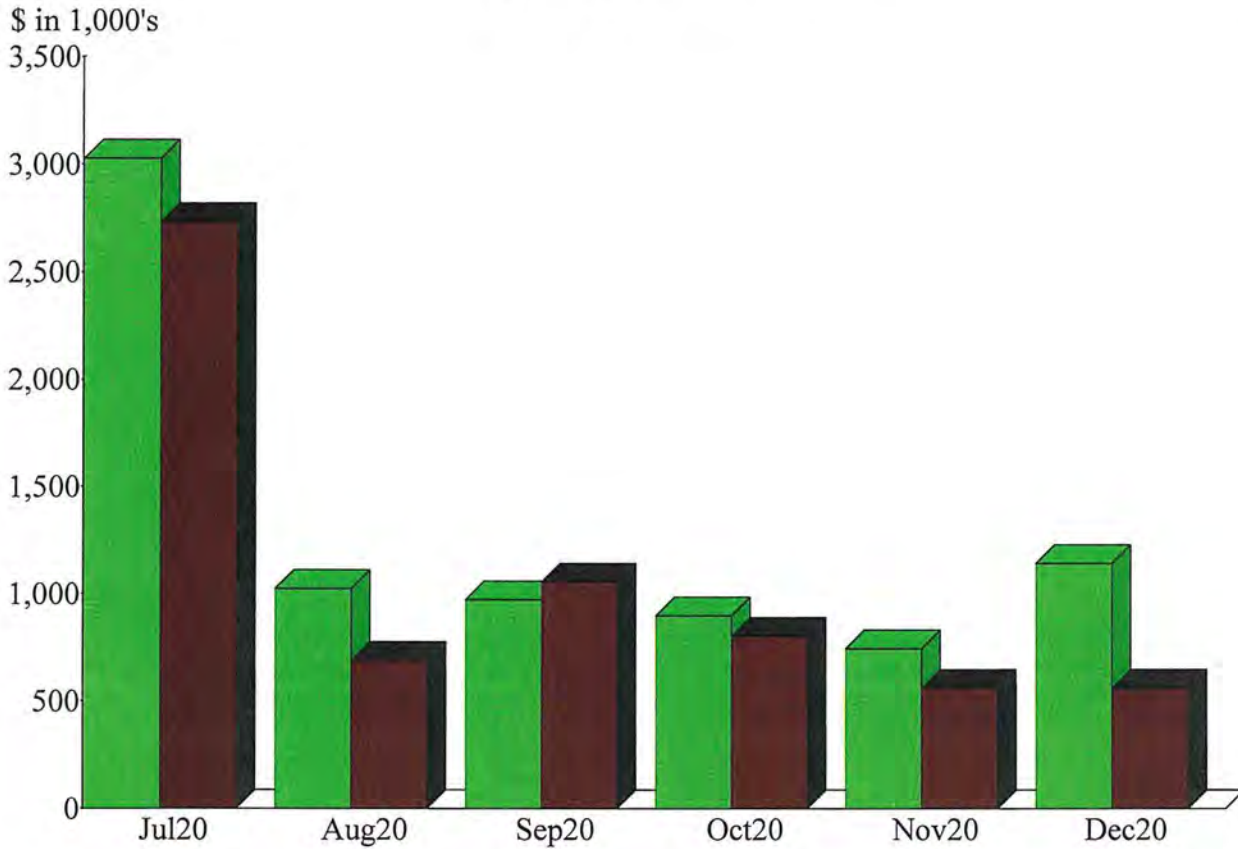
600000	· SERVICE & SALES REVENUE	67.20%
625000	· ASSESSMENTS, FEES & OTHER	32.80
Total		\$7,806,349.95



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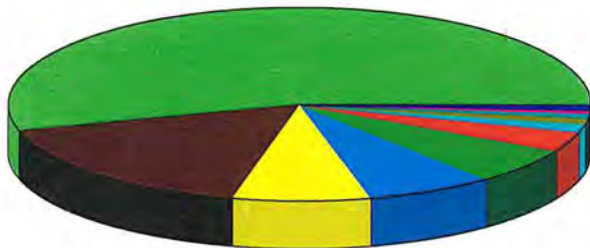
Income and Expense by Month
July through December 2020

Income
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Expense Summary
July through December 2020

702000	SOURCE OF SUPPLY EXPENSE	54.57%
770000	GENERAL & ADMIN EXPENSE	17.01
750000	TRANSMISSION & DIST. EXPEN	7.77
900100	Constr in Progress CY	7.17
725000	PUMPING EXPENSES	6.12
900370	Capital Improvement Prog - CY	3.37
800000	LEGAL/ENGINEERING	1.50
710000	INFRASTRUCTURE EXPENSES	0.97
825000	STUDIES	0.90
740000	WATER TREATMENT EXPENSES	0.49
	Other	0.12
Total		\$6,399,713.96



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Warrant List for Board Approval

December 16, 2020 through January 19, 2021

Date	Num	Name	Amount
Dec 16, '20 - Jan 19, 21			
12/31/2020	23559	ACWA/JPIA - Health	\$ 41,682.14
12/31/2020	23560	Autosys, Inc.	\$ 6,258.17
12/31/2020	23561	Paeter Garcia	\$ 300.00
01/19/2021	23562	ACWA/JPIA - Workers Comp.	\$ 6,046.68
01/19/2021	23563	All Around Landscape Supply/SiteOne	\$ 497.50
01/19/2021	23564	Aramark Uniform Serv Inc.	\$ 2,047.39
01/19/2021	23565	Aramco, Inc	\$ 485.82
01/19/2021	23566	B of A Business Card Services-AGM	\$ 880.87
01/19/2021	23567	B of A Business Card Services-GM2	\$ 41.48
01/19/2021	23568	Bartlett, Pringle & Wolf, LLP	\$ 11,270.00
01/19/2021	23569	BasicData Business Printing	\$ 1,063.84
01/19/2021	23570	Bertin Pulido	\$ 240.00
01/19/2021	23571	Best Best & Krieger LLP	\$ 7,987.50
01/19/2021	23572	Brownstein,Hyatt,Farber, Schreck	\$ 6,829.00
01/19/2021	23573	Buellton Medical Clinic	\$ 170.00
12/31/2020	EFT	CA State Disbursement - December 2020	\$ 513.00
12/31/2020	EFT	CalPERS - Retirement - December 2020	\$ 30,069.62
01/19/2021	23574	CIO Solutions, LP	\$ 2,489.55
01/19/2021	23575	Clinical Lab of San Bernardino Inc.	\$ 980.00
01/19/2021	23576	Coastal Copy	\$ 364.84
01/19/2021	23577	Comcast	\$ 306.08
01/19/2021	23578	Continental Utility Solutions, Inc.	\$ 104.44
01/19/2021	23579	County of Santa Barbara -Dept Public Work	\$ 95.00
01/19/2021	23580	Dig Safe Board	\$ 23.52
12/31/2020	EFT	Employment Dev. Dept. - Dec. Payroll Taxes	\$ 8,344.67
01/19/2021	23581	Echo Communications	\$ 340.63
01/19/2021	23582	Family Farm Alliance	\$ 2,000.00
01/19/2021	23583	Harrison Hardware Inc	\$ 181.68
01/19/2021	23584	Iron Mountain	\$ 83.03
01/19/2021	23585	IVR Technology Group, LLC	\$ 70.00
01/19/2021	23586	J. Winther Chevron, Inc.	\$ 404.38
01/19/2021	23587	Jan-Pro Cleaning Systems	\$ 2,006.00
01/19/2021	23588	JANO Printing & Mailworks	\$ 4,493.87
01/19/2021	23589	Jim Coldren	\$ 71.77
01/19/2021	23590	Jim Vreeland Ford	\$ 65.25
12/31/2020	EFT	Lincoln National Life - December 2020	\$ 2,350.00
01/19/2021	23591	Linda Comeau	\$ 20.00
01/19/2021	23592	McCormix Corp	\$ 2,102.37
12/31/2020	EFT	Mechanics Bank - December 2020 Payroll Taxes	\$ 33,639.62
01/19/2021	23593	Mechanics Bank	\$ 48.00
01/19/2021	23594	Mike's Tri-County Locksmiths	\$ 62.00
01/19/2021	23595	Nielsen Building Materials Inc	\$ 36.32
01/19/2021	23596	O'reilly Auto Parts	\$ 55.16
01/19/2021	23597	Office Depot	\$ 144.99

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01/19/2021	23598	Oliveras Repair Inc	\$ 73.25
12/30/2020	EFT	Payroll - December 2020	\$ 102,797.94
01/19/2021	23599	P G & E	\$ 53,981.82
01/19/2021	23600	Praxair Distribution Inc	\$ 38.64
01/19/2021	23601	Quadient Finance USA, Inc - Postage	\$ 500.00
01/19/2021	23602	Rancho Marcelino Water & Service Co	\$ 58.00
01/19/2021	23603	Check Voided	\$ -
01/19/2021	23604	S Y River Water Conservation District	\$ 20,588.40
01/19/2021	23605	State Water Resources Control Board/Certs	\$ 170.00
01/19/2021	23606	Stetson Engineers Inc	\$ 6,026.00
01/19/2021	23607	Storey Motors	\$ 1,344.62
01/19/2021	23608	SWRCB	\$ 12,363.45
01/19/2021	23609	SYCSD	\$ 80.78
01/19/2021	23610	The Gas Company	\$ 69.54
01/19/2021	23611	Todd Pipe & Supply	\$ 182.23
01/19/2021	23612	Trustee/ Brad Joos	\$ 200.00
01/19/2021	23613	Trustee/ Jeff Clay	\$ 400.00
01/19/2021	23614	Trustee/ Lori Parker	\$ 200.00
01/19/2021	23615	Trustee/ Michael Burchardi	\$ 200.00
01/19/2021	23616	Trustee/Jeff Holzer	\$ 800.00
01/19/2021	23617	Underground Service Alert	\$ 59.50
01/19/2021	23618	Univ Southern CA FCCCHR	\$ 120.00
01/19/2021	23619	Verizon Wireless	\$ 945.67
01/19/2021	23620	Waste Management of Santa Maria	\$ 285.43
01/19/2021	23621	Waters Cardenas Land Surveying LLP	\$ 640.00
01/19/2021	23622	William J Brennan	\$ 1,950.00
01/19/2021	23623	Red Wing Shoes	\$ 384.86
Dec 16, '20 - Jan 19, 21			<u>\$ 381,726.31</u>

Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, ID No.1
6-Month Budget vs. Actual
July 1- December 31, 2020
Fiscal Year 2020-2021

REVENUE	Jul - Dec 20 Actual	2020-21 Budget	\$ Over Budget (-) Under Budget	% of Budget
WATER SALES INCOME				
601000 · Agriculture Water Sales & Meter Charges	\$ 753,497.54	\$ 1,167,759.00	\$ (414,261.46)	64.53%
602000 · Domestic Water Sales & Meter Charges	\$ 2,717,358.53	\$ 4,332,378.00	\$ (1,615,019.47)	62.72%
602100 · Rural Res/Lmt'd Ag Sales & Meter Charges	\$ 1,522,906.38	\$ 2,280,970.00	\$ (758,063.62)	66.77%
602200 · Cachuma Park Water Sales	\$ 9,251.10	\$ 17,509.00	\$ (8,257.90)	52.84%
604000 · Temporary Water Sales	\$ 3,408.75	\$ 6,655.00	\$ (3,246.25)	51.22%
606000 · Water Sales to City of Solvang	\$ 115,546.76	\$ 135,741.00	\$ (20,194.24)	85.12%
608000 · Water Sales - On-Demand	\$ 22,220.32	\$ 38,111.00	\$ (15,890.68)	58.3%
611500 · Fire Service Charges	\$ 58,184.45	\$ 97,271.00	\$ (39,086.55)	59.82%
TOTAL WATER SALES INCOME	\$ 5,202,373.83	\$ 8,076,394.00	\$ (2,874,020.17)	64.42%
SERVICE INCOME				
611100 · New Service Fees	\$ 23,766.55	\$ 40,000.00	\$ (16,233.45)	59.42%
611200 · Reconnection Fees	\$ 8,925.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ (11,075.00)	44.63%
611900 · New Fire Service Fees	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (3,000.00)	0.0%
612400 · Penalties	\$ 10,565.37	\$ 20,000.00	\$ (9,434.63)	52.83%
TOTAL SERVICE INCOME	\$ 43,256.92	\$ 83,000.00	\$ (39,743.08)	52.12%
ASSESSMENTS, FEES & OTHER				
611600 · Capital Facilities Charges	\$ 17,102.36	\$ 60,000.00	\$ (42,897.64)	28.5%
624300 - Gain/Loss-Asset Disposal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
620006 · Reimbursed Field Labor	\$ 276.47	\$ 2,500.00	\$ (2,223.53)	11.06%
620008 · Reimbursed Admin Labor	\$ 134.04	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,365.96)	8.94%
624000 · Other Miscellaneous Revenue	\$ 10,848.55	\$ 35,000.00	\$ (24,151.45)	31.0%
625200 · Application Fees/Special Services	\$ 8,800.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 1,300.00	117.33%
627000 · Special Assessment	\$ 484,140.08	\$ 875,000.00	\$ (390,859.92)	55.33%
628000-630300 · Interest Income	\$ 26,453.02	\$ 195,000.00	\$ (168,546.98)	13.57%
634100 · Insurance Claims	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (2,000.00)	0.0%
890100 · Solvang SWP Payment	\$ 2,064,881.68	\$ 3,142,950.00	\$ (1,078,068.32)	65.7%
TOTAL · ASSESSMENTS, FEES & OTHER	\$ 2,612,636.20	\$ 4,321,450.00	\$ (1,708,813.80)	60.46%
GRAND TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 7,858,266.95	\$ 12,480,844.00	\$ (4,622,577.05)	62.96%

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July 1- December 31, 2020
Fiscal Year 2020-2021

EXPENSES	Jul - Dec 20 Actual	2020-21 Budget	\$ Over Budget (-) Under Budget	% of Budget
SOURCE OF SUPPLY EXPENSES				
703000 · Cachuma Project (USBR) Water Purchase	\$ 135,846.44	\$ 316,209.00	\$ (180,362.56)	42.96%
703200 · Cachuma Project Renewal/Environmental Fund	\$ -	\$ 20,960.00	\$ (20,960.00)	0.0%
704000 · State Water Charge - District Payment	\$ 1,256,817.80	\$ 2,188,130.00	\$ (931,312.20)	57.44%
705000 · Ground Water Charges	\$ 20,588.40	\$ 40,000.00	\$ (19,411.60)	51.47%
706000 · Cloudseeding Program	\$ 273.00	\$ 500.00	\$ (227.00)	54.6%
707000 · River Well Field Licenses (4 & 6 CFS, Gallery)	\$ 13,763.20	\$ 15,000.00	\$ (1,236.80)	91.76%
860000 · State Water Project - City of Solvang Payment	\$ 2,064,881.68	\$ 3,142,950.00	\$ (1,078,068.32)	65.7%
TOTAL · SOURCE OF SUPPLY EXPENSES	\$ 3,492,170.52	\$ 5,723,749.00	\$ (2,231,578.48)	61.01%
INFRASTRUCTURE EXPENSES				
711000 · Maintenance of Wells	\$ 1,110.24	\$ 50,000.00	\$ (48,889.76)	2.22%
711100 · Maintenance of Packer Well	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
712000 · Maintenance of Mains	\$ 31,500.11	\$ 45,000.00	\$ (13,499.89)	70.0%
713000 · Maintenance of Reservoirs	\$ 1,326.81	\$ 28,000.00	\$ (26,673.19)	4.74%
714000 · Maintenance of Structures	\$ 1,450.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (3,550.00)	29.0%
TOTAL · INFRASTRUCTURE EXPENSES	\$ 35,387.16	\$ 128,000.00	\$ (92,612.84)	27.65%
PUMPING EXPENSES				
726000 · Pumping Expense - Power	\$ 388,889.43	\$ 595,000.00	\$ (206,110.57)	65.36%
730000 · Maintenance of Pump Structures/Stations	\$ 2,732.55	\$ 10,000.00	\$ (7,267.45)	27.33%
732000 · Maintenance of Equipment	\$ 297.12	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,202.88)	19.81%
TOTAL · PUMPING EXPENSES	\$ 391,919.10	\$ 606,500.00	\$ (214,580.90)	64.62%
WATER TREATMENT EXPENSES				
744000 · Chemicals	\$ 21,207.36	\$ 25,000.00	\$ (3,792.64)	84.83%
747000 · Maintenance of Treatment Structures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
748000 · Maintenance of Disinfection Equipment	\$ 2,681.08	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 181.08	107.24%
748100 · Water Disinfection Equipment	\$ 4,784.56	\$ 7,500.00	\$ (2,715.44)	63.79%
748200 · Water Sampling/Monitoring Equipment	\$ 58.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ (3,442.00)	1.66%
749000 · Water Analysis	\$ 2,775.00	\$ 18,000.00	\$ (15,225.00)	15.42%
TOTAL · WATER TREATMENT EXPENSES	\$ 31,506.00	\$ 56,500.00	\$ (24,994.00)	55.76%

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Fiscal Year 2020-2021

EXPENSES	Jul - Dec 20 Actual	2020-21 Budget	\$ Over Budget (-) Under Budget	% of Budget
TRANSMISSION & DIST. EXPENSES				
751000 · Field Service Labor	\$ 325,732.02	\$ 616,560.00	\$ (290,827.98)	52.83%
775000 PERS - Retirement	\$ 64,265.62	\$ 128,255.00	\$ (63,989.38)	50.11%
775400 ACWA Health Benefits	\$ 106,563.44	\$ 223,413.00	\$ (116,849.56)	47.7%
775200 ACWA Delta Dental	\$ 3,803.28	\$ 8,714.00	\$ (4,910.72)	43.65%
775300 ACWA - Vision	\$ 736.29	\$ 1,652.00	\$ (915.71)	44.57%
799501 Uniforms	\$ 8,233.32	\$ 16,000.00	\$ (7,766.68)	51.46%
752100 · Safety Equipment	\$ 482.31	\$ 6,000.00	\$ (5,517.69)	8.04%
752000 · Work Materials & Supplies	\$ 1,187.08	\$ 10,000.00	\$ (8,812.92)	11.87%
753000 · SCADA Maintenance	\$ -	\$ 4,500.00	\$ (4,500.00)	0.0%
754000 · Small Tools	\$ 3,194.33	\$ 15,500.00	\$ (12,305.67)	20.61%
754100 · Small Tools Repair	\$ 65.83	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,434.17)	4.39%
755000 · Transportation (Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel)	\$ 18,129.74	\$ 65,000.00	\$ (46,870.26)	27.89%
756000 · Meter Services (New)	\$ 18,615.68	\$ 20,000.00	\$ (1,384.32)	93.08%
756100 · Meter and Services Repair	\$ 8,225.19	\$ 12,000.00	\$ (3,774.81)	68.54%
757000 · Road Contracts	\$ 58.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (942.00)	5.8%
758100 · Meter Reading System (Sensus) (Neptune)	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00	\$ (2,500.00)	0.0%
759000 · Maintenance of Structures and Improvements	\$ 2,233.91	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (2,766.09)	44.68%
760000 · Fire Hydrant Maintenance	\$ 42.08	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (1,957.92)	2.1%
761000 · Backflow Devices Testing	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)	0.0%
762000 · Backhoe Maintenance	\$ 143.27	\$ 4,000.00	\$ (3,856.73)	3.58%
763000 · Generators Maintenance	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00	\$ (4,000.00)	0.0%
TOTAL · TRANSMISSION & DIST. EXPENSES	\$ 561,711.39	\$ 1,147,695.00	\$ (585,983.61)	48.94%

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EXPENSES	Jul - Dec 20 Actual	2020-21 Budget	\$ Over Budget (-) Under Budget	% of Budget
GENERAL & ADMIN EXPENSES				
774000 ACWA Workers Comp Insurance	\$ 11,892.33	\$ 32,000.00	\$ (20,107.67)	37.16%
6560 Payroll Expenses	\$ 172.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (828.00)	17.2%
772000 - State Unemployment Claims	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
773000 - Elections	\$ -	\$ 15,000.00	\$ (15,000.00)	0.0%
775000 PERS - Retirement	\$ 92,044.29	\$ 231,163.00	\$ (139,118.71)	39.82%
775200 ACWA - Delta Dental	\$ 4,228.44	\$ 12,377.00	\$ (8,148.56)	34.16%
775300 ACWA - Vision	\$ 875.67	\$ 2,268.00	\$ (1,392.33)	38.61%
775400 ACWA - Health Benefits	\$ 119,499.05	\$ 332,906.00	\$ (213,406.95)	35.9%
777000 Management & Administrative Staff Salaries	\$ 495,141.80	\$ 1,308,108.00	\$ (812,966.20)	37.85%
21001 Other Post Employment Benefits	\$ 115,705.50	\$ 231,411.00	\$ (115,705.50)	50.0%
778000 Education, Training & Travel	\$ 1,107.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ (23,893.00)	4.43%
779000 Dues & Subscription	\$ 25,406.66	\$ 34,000.00	\$ (8,593.34)	74.73%
780000 Office Maintenance	\$ 5,912.03	\$ 4,600.00	\$ 1,312.03	128.52%
781000 Office Supplies	\$ 7,137.85	\$ 12,000.00	\$ (4,862.15)	59.48%
781100 Computer Supplies, Software, Training	\$ 5,639.82	\$ 6,000.00	\$ (360.18)	94.0%
782000 Postage & Printing	\$ 21,364.60	\$ 56,000.00	\$ (34,635.40)	38.15%
783000 Utilities	\$ 5,245.15	\$ 9,500.00	\$ (4,254.85)	55.21%
784000 Telephone	\$ 7,406.51	\$ 15,000.00	\$ (7,593.49)	49.38%
785000 Special Services (USA, Website, Security, Ans. Svc.)	\$ 7,705.46	\$ 14,000.00	\$ (6,294.54)	55.04%
785100 Government Fees (County, State & Local)	\$ 6,612.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ (9,388.00)	41.33%
786000 ACWA Liability Insurance	\$ 18,687.75	\$ 55,000.00	\$ (36,312.25)	33.98%
787000 Payroll Taxes (Federal and State)	\$ 53,545.34	\$ 130,000.00	\$ (76,454.66)	41.19%
788100 General Accounting	\$ 6,884.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ (116.00)	98.34%
788000 Audit	\$ 22,058.00	\$ 27,500.00	\$ (5,442.00)	80.21%
789000 Legal - General	\$ 19,824.00	\$ 65,000.00	\$ (45,176.00)	30.5%
790000 Consulting General/Professional	\$ 2,174.78	\$ 18,000.00	\$ (15,825.22)	12.08%
791000 Consulting - Planning/Research	\$ 4,017.10	\$ 10,000.00	\$ (5,982.90)	40.17%
792000 Customer Debt - Write Offs	\$ 2,824.05	\$ 3,774.00	\$ (949.95)	74.83%
793000 Office Equipment/Computer Service Contracts	\$ 14,782.68	\$ 34,000.00	\$ (19,217.32)	43.48%
794100 Annual Fee - Bond Fund Redemption Costs	\$ 1,425.00	\$ 1,375.00	\$ 50.00	103.64%
797000 Trustee Fees	\$ 9,800.00	\$ 29,000.00	\$ (19,200.00)	33.79%
799000 Processing Fee, Admin. Expenses, Medical Costs	\$ 20,646.79	\$ 25,000.00	\$ (4,353.21)	82.59%
799525 Gardening Service	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 2,900.00	\$ (1,460.00)	49.66%
799600 Customer Refunds	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)	0.0%
TOTAL GENERAL & ADMIN EXPENSES	\$ 1,111,205.65	\$ 2,767,881.00	\$ (1,656,675.35)	40.15%

Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, ID No.1
6-Month Budget vs. Actual
July 1- December 31, 2020
Fiscal Year 2020-2021

DEBT SERVICE	Jul - Dec 20 Actual	2020-21 Budget	\$ Over Budget (-) Under Budget	% of Budget
717000 - USBR SOD Repayment (Principal & Interest)	\$ 26,975.88	\$ 26,976.00	\$ (0.12)	100.0%
794000 Series 2004A Repayment (Bond Interest)	\$ 25,468.18	\$ 25,475.00	\$ (6.82)	99.97%
218200 Series 2004A (Bond Principal)	\$ -	\$ 260,000.00	\$ (260,000.00)	0.0%
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$ 52,444.06	\$ 312,451.00	\$ (260,006.94)	16.79%

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES				
G&A / O&M / Debt Service TOTAL	\$ 5,676,343.88	\$ 10,742,775.00	\$ (5,066,431.12)	52.84%

SUBTOTAL REVENUE BALANCE				
Operating Revenues Less Operating Expenditures	\$ 2,181,923.07	\$ 1,738,069.00		125.54%

Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, ID No.1
6-Month Budget vs. Actual
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Other Expenses

SPECIAL STUDIES/PROGRAMS

Fisheries Program

	Jul - Dec 20 Actual	2020-21 Budget	\$ Over Budget (-) Under Budget	% of Budget
825800 · BiOp Implementation	\$ 35,960.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ (24,040.00)	59.93%
825401 · BiOp Studies/Reconsultation (Stetson/Hanson)	\$ 7,426.47	\$ 50,000.00	\$ (42,573.53)	14.85%
800201 · BiOp/Reconsultation/ESA (BBK)	\$ 13,906.50	\$ 25,000.00	\$ (11,093.50)	55.63%
826101 · SWRCB Order/Studies (Stetson/Hanson)	\$ 2,142.28	\$ 50,000.00	\$ (47,857.72)	4.29%
826201 · SWRCB Order/Studies (BBK)	\$ 1,241.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ (23,759.00)	4.96%
825402 · SWRCB Hearings Support (Stetson/Hanson)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%

Special Studies

825500 · Hydrology SYR;Cachuma Water, RiverWare (Stetson)	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (5,000.00)	0.0%
825601 · Integrated Regional Water Management Plan	\$ 3,075.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 75.00	102.5%
825600 · Water Conservation Program/BMP	\$ 5,120.22	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 120.22	102.4%

Total - Studies/Programs

	\$ 68,871.47	\$ 223,000.00	\$ (154,128.53)	30.88%
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LEGAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES

Legal

800101 · SWRCB 94-5 Hearing (BHFS)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
800500 · Unanticipated or Extraordinary Spec Legal	\$ 16,335.50	\$ 45,000.00	\$ (28,664.50)	36.3%

Engineering

800301 · Groundwater/Downstream Water Rights	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (5,000.00)	0.0%
800300 · Easements, Survey & Water Projects	\$ 7,172.42	\$ 10,000.00	\$ (2,827.58)	71.72%
800102 · Sustainable Groundwater Management Act	\$ 25,772.98	\$ 40,000.00	\$ (14,227.02)	64.43%

Total - Legal/Engineering Services

	\$ 49,280.90	\$ 100,000.00	\$ (50,719.10)	49.28%
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Non Recurring Expense/Projects

826000 · CR6 Implementation Plan/Misc Treatment Projects	\$ 1,504.75	\$ 30,000.00	\$ (28,495.25)	5.02%
825700 · Water Rate Study	\$ -	\$ 15,000.00	\$ (15,000.00)	0.0%
850500 · USBR Cachuma Project Contract/Capital Programs	\$ 7,584.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ (17,416.00)	30.34%
800203 · River Water Right Proceed (BHFS)	\$ 28,566.50	\$ 40,000.00	\$ (11,433.50)	71.42%
800204 · River Water Right Proceedings (Stetson/Hanson)	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ (10,000.00)	0.0%
825900 · Water System Study Updates (Stetson)	\$ 2,269.50	\$ 45,000.00	\$ (42,730.50)	5.04%

Total - Non Recurring Expenses/Projects

	\$ 39,924.75	\$ 120,000.00	\$ (80,075.25)	33.27%
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TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES

	\$ 158,077.12	\$ 493,000.00	\$ (284,922.88)	32.06%
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Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, ID No.1
6-Month Budget vs. Actual
July 1- December 31, 2020
Fiscal Year 2020-2021

	Jul - Dec 20 Actual	2020-21 Budget	\$ Over Budget (-) Under Budget	% of Budget
CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS				
Plant Expansion				
900332 · Water Treatment Plant/Building	\$ 907.52	\$ 375,000.00	\$ (374,092.48)	0.24%
900333 · Cr6 Blending Station/Facilities	\$ -	\$ 385,000.00	\$ (385,000.00)	0.0%
900372 · Office Furniture, Computers & Equip	\$ 9,888.47	\$ 22,000.00	\$ (12,111.53)	44.95%
900318 · Meter Replace/Utility Billing	\$ 16,119.59	\$ 263,000.00	\$ (246,880.41)	6.13%
900371 · Office Building/Shop Improvement	\$ 14,852.72	\$ 55,000.00	\$ (40,147.28)	27.01%
900376 · Communication/telemetry Equipment (SCADA)	\$ 71,075.57	\$ 63,000.00	\$ 8,075.57	112.82%
900181-186 · ESRI CAD-GIS System; Equipment	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)	0.0%
900378 · Mjr. Tools, Shop & Garage Equip	\$ 103,614.16	\$ 110,000.00	\$ (6,385.84)	94.2%
900350 · Uplands Wells	\$ -	\$ 82,000.00	\$ (82,000.00)	0.0%
	<u>\$ 216,458.03</u>	<u>\$ 1,356,000.00</u>	<u>\$ (1,139,541.97)</u>	<u>15.96%</u>
Repair & Replace				
900106 · Rehab/Rplc/New - Trans. Mains/Lats/Valves	\$ 456,434.28	\$ 514,000.00	\$ (57,565.72)	88.8%
900170 · Well Field-6.0 CFS	\$ -	\$ 15,000.00	\$ (15,000.00)	0.0%
900335 · SWP Pump Station/Pipeline	\$ 1,821.70	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (3,178.30)	36.43%
900373 · Fleet Vehicle Addition/Replace	\$ -	\$ 92,000.00	\$ (92,000.00)	0.0%
900171 - 4.0 CFS Well Field	\$ -	\$ 45,000.00	\$ (45,000.00)	0.0%
900311 - Chlorine Bldg @ Wells	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (5,000.00)	0.0%
900196 - Alamo Pintado BPS	\$ -	\$ 195,000.00	\$ (195,000.00)	0.0%
900197 - Refugio 3 BPS	\$ -	\$ 47,000.00	\$ (47,000.00)	0.0%
900198 - Meadowlark BPS	\$ -	\$ 101,000.00	\$ (101,000.00)	0.0%
900102 · Zone 1, 2, 3 Reservoirs	\$ -	\$ 165,000.00	\$ (165,000.00)	0.0%
	<u>\$ 458,255.98</u>	<u>\$ 1,019,000.00</u>	<u>\$ (560,744.02)</u>	<u>44.97%</u>
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS	<u>\$ 674,714.01</u>	<u>\$ 2,375,000.00</u>	<u>\$ (1,700,285.99)</u>	<u>28.41%</u>

Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, ID No.1
6-Month Budget vs. Actual
July 1- December 31, 2020
Fiscal Year 2020-2021

BUDGET BALANCE	Jul - Dec 20 6-Mo Actual	2020-21 Budget
Total Revenues	\$ 7,858,266.95	\$ 12,480,844.00
Total O&M Expenditures	\$ (4,512,694.17)	\$ (7,662,444.00)
Total G&A Expenditures	\$ (1,111,205.65)	\$ (2,767,881.00)
Total Debt Service	\$ (52,444.06)	\$ (312,451.00)
Sub-Total Revenue Balance	\$ 2,181,923.07	\$ 1,738,069.00
Total Other Expenses (Spec Study/Legal/Eng)	\$ (158,077.12)	\$ (493,000.00)
Total Construction in Progress	\$ (674,714.01)	\$ (2,375,000.00)
GRAND TOTAL REVENUE BALANCE	\$ 1,349,131.94	\$ (1,129,931.00)



**Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1
Balance Sheet Summary Version
as of December 31, 2020
(Unaudited)**

Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1
Balance Sheet by Net Position Category (Summary)
As of December 31, 2020

	Net Investment in Capital Assets	Restricted	State Water Project	Debt Repayment Obligation	Repairs & Replacement	Plant Expansion	Unrestricted, Unreserved	TOTAL	Total Unrestricted, Board Reserved
ASSETS									
Current Assets									
Checking/Savings									
120100 · Checking account							\$ 60,213.71	\$ 60,213.71	\$ -
120500 · Cash Operating (PIMMA)							5,337,595.52	5,337,595.52	-
120620 · Cash - BNY/Series 2004		-						-	-
123000 · Investment in LAIF			3,000,000.00	2,407,942.42	1,016,648.83	2,271,738.66	4,330,760.54	13,027,090.45	8,696,329.91
123001 · Investments - Restricted (LAIF)		109,212.20						109,212.20	
Total Checking/Savings	-	109,212.20	3,000,000.00	2,407,942.42	1,016,648.83	2,271,738.66	9,728,569.77	18,534,111.88	8,696,329.91
Total Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-	746,854.00	746,854.00	-
Total Other Current Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	969,917.46	969,917.46	1,939,834.92
Total Current Assets	-	109,212.20	3,000,000.00	2,407,942.42	1,016,648.83	2,271,738.66	11,445,341.23	20,250,883.34	8,696,329.91
Total Fixed Assets	9,282,086.58							9,282,086.58	-
Total Other Assets	4,787,216.86	10,748.11	-	-	-	-	2,846,858.88	7,644,823.85	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 14,069,303.44	\$ 119,960.31	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 2,407,942.42	\$ 1,016,648.83	\$ 2,271,738.66	\$ 14,292,200.11	\$ 37,177,793.77	\$ 8,696,329.91
LIABILITIES & EQUITY									
Liabilities									
Total Accounts Payable									
	-	-	-	-	-	-	57,835.70	57,835.70	-
Total Credit Cards									
	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,896.07	2,896.07	-
Total Other Current Liabilities									
	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,273,667.49	2,273,667.49	-
Total Current Liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,334,399.26	2,334,399.26	-
Total Long Term Liabilities									
	435,756.00	-	-	-	-	-	4,794,437.00	5,230,193.00	-
Total Liabilities	\$ 435,756.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,128,836.26	\$ 7,564,592.26	\$ -
Net Position									
271100 · Invest. in Utility Plant	\$ 13,633,547.44							\$ 13,633,547.44	\$ -
271380 · Debt Repayment				\$ 2,407,942.42				\$ 2,407,942.42	\$ 2,407,942.42
271800 · Repairs & Replacements					1,016,648.83			1,016,648.83	1,016,648.83
271900 · Contingency								-	-
272000 · Plant Expansion						2,271,738.66		2,271,738.66	2,271,738.66
272100 · SWP Reserve			3,000,000.00					3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00
272300 · Restricted Net Asset		119,960.31						119,960.31	-
3000 · Opening Bal Equity								-	-
3900 · 271210 Unreserved Retained Earn							5,671,287.70	5,671,287.70	-
Net Income							1,492,076.15	1,492,076.15	-
Total Net Position	\$ 13,633,547.44	\$ 119,960.31	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 2,407,942.42	\$ 1,016,648.83	\$ 2,271,738.66	\$ 7,163,363.85	\$ 29,613,201.51	\$ 8,696,329.91
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET POSITION	\$ 14,069,303.44	\$ 119,960.31	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 2,407,942.42	\$ 1,016,648.83	\$ 2,271,738.66	\$ 14,292,200.11	\$ 37,177,793.77	\$ 8,696,329.91



**Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1
Reserve Balance Summary
as of December 31, 2020
(Unaudited)**

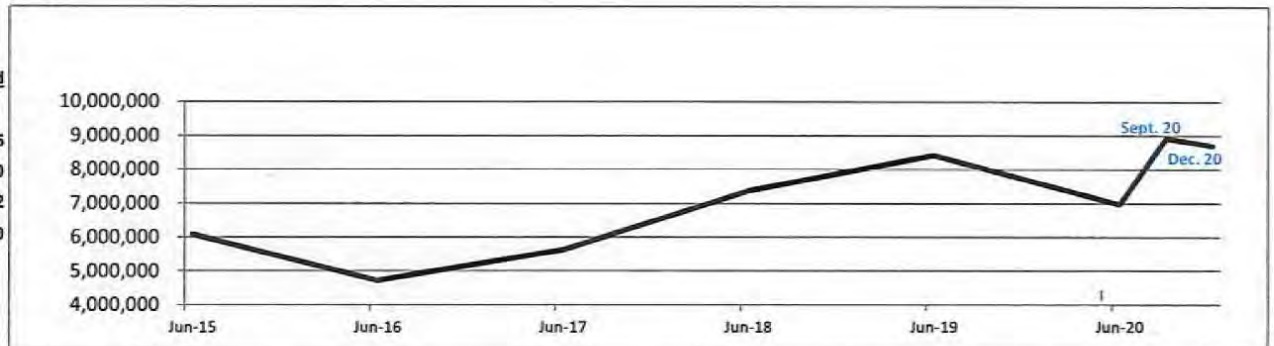
Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1
Statement of Changes in Cash and Investments
For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2020

(Unaudited)

	Restricted Development Fee & SY Septic	Unrestricted, Board Reserved				Unrestricted, Unreserved	TOTAL	Total Unrestricted, Board Reserved	
		State Water Project (City of Solvang SWP Set-Aside)	Debt Repayment Obligation (SWP, Series 2004A Bond, SOD)	Repairs & Replacement	Plant Expansion				
Total Cash & Investments - September 30, 2020	\$ -	\$ 109,212.20	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 2,417,754.92	\$ 1,107,416.83	\$ 2,396,039.20	\$ 8,289,188.84	17,319,611.99	\$ 8,921,210.95
Purchases of capital									
Debt Repayments (SOD, Series 2004A, SWP)				\$ (9,812.50)	(90,768.00)	(124,300.54)		(224,881.04)	(224,881.04)
Transfers between funds				\$ -			\$ -		
Unreserved receipts and disbursements, net							1,439,380.93	1,439,380.93	
Total Cash & Investments - December 31, 2020	\$ -	\$ 109,212.20	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 2,407,942.42	\$ 1,016,648.83	\$ 2,271,738.66	\$ 9,728,569.77	\$ 18,534,111.88	\$ 8,696,329.91

Historical Balances - Board Reserved

Dec-20	\$ 8,696,329.91
Sep-20	\$ 8,921,210.95
Jun-20	\$ 6,963,101.50
Jun-19	\$ 8,415,028.62
Jun-18	\$ 7,366,723.00
Jun-17	\$ 5,626,030.39
Jun-16	\$ 4,710,509.00
Jun-15	\$ 6,088,194.00



Notes:

1. June 2015 to 2016 - Downward trend due to no changes in water rates, loss of \$750,000 Ad Valorem Tax and significant reduction in water sales revenue due to customer response to Governor's mandated conservation regulation.
2. June 2017 Upward trend due to "one-time" sale of carryover water in the amount of \$761,250 to Montecito Water District. Board directed funds to be reserved to assist with the District's annual 16-17 CCWA State Water payment.
3. June 2018 - Upward trend a result of transferring funds from unrestricted cash into in the amount of \$2.7 million via Board action into Repair & Replace and Plant Expansion to build reserves .
4. June 2020- Decrease due to payment of Annual State Water and COMB Bond payments done at fiscal year-end.
5. September 2020 - Upward trend a result of moving unrestricted funds to Debt Repayment Obligation Reserve for 20/21 Bradbury Dam, Series 2004a Bond and Annual State Water payments to be made at end of fiscal year.



Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1
Balance Sheet Detailed Version
as of December 31, 2020
(Unaudited)

Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1
Balance Sheet by Net Position Category (Summary)
As of December 31, 2020

	Net Investment in Capital Assets	Restricted	State Water Project	Debt Repayment Obligation	Repairs & Replacement	Plant Expansion	Unrestricted, Unreserved	TOTAL	Total Unrestricted, Board Reserved
ASSETS									
Current Assets									
Checking/Savings									
120100 - Checking account							\$ 60,213.71	\$ 60,213.71	\$ -
120500 - Cash Operating (PIMMA)							5,337,595.52	5,337,595.52	-
120620 - Cash - BNY/Series 2004		-						-	-
123000 - Investment in LAIF			3,000,000.00	2,407,942.42	1,016,648.83	2,271,738.66	4,330,760.54	13,027,090.45	8,696,329.91
123001 - Investments - Restricted (LAIF)		109,212.20						109,212.20	
Total Checking/Savings	-	109,212.20	3,000,000.00	2,407,942.42	1,016,648.83	2,271,738.66	9,728,569.77	18,534,111.88	8,696,329.91
Total Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-	746,854.00	746,854.00	-
Total Other Current Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	969,917.46	969,917.46	1,939,834.92
Total Current Assets	-	109,212.20	3,000,000.00	2,407,942.42	1,016,648.83	2,271,738.66	11,445,341.23	20,250,883.34	8,696,329.91
Total Fixed Assets	9,282,086.58							9,282,086.58	-
Total Other Assets	4,787,216.86	10,748.11	-	-	-	-	2,846,858.88	7,644,823.85	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 14,069,303.44	\$ 119,960.31	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 2,407,942.42	\$ 1,016,648.83	\$ 2,271,738.66	\$ 14,292,200.11	\$ 37,177,793.77	\$ 8,696,329.91
LIABILITIES & EQUITY									
Liabilities									
Total Accounts Payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	57,835.70	57,835.70	-
Total Credit Cards	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,896.07	2,896.07	-
Total Other Current Liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,273,667.49	2,273,667.49	-
Total Current Liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,334,399.26	2,334,399.26	-
Total Long Term Liabilities	435,756.00	-	-	-	-	-	4,794,437.00	5,230,193.00	-
Total Liabilities	\$ 435,756.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,128,836.26	\$ 7,564,592.26	\$ -
Net Position									
271100 - Invest. in Utility Plant	\$ 13,633,547.44							\$ 13,633,547.44	\$ -
271380 - Debt Repayment				\$ 2,407,942.42				\$ 2,407,942.42	\$ 2,407,942.42
271800 - Repairs & Replacements					1,016,648.83			1,016,648.83	1,016,648.83
271900 - Contingency								-	-
272000 - Plant Expansion						2,271,738.66		2,271,738.66	2,271,738.66
272100 - SWP Reserve			3,000,000.00					3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00
272300 - Restricted Net Asset		119,960.31						119,960.31	-
3000 - Opening Bal Equity								-	-
3900 - 271210 Unreserved Retained Earn							5,671,287.70	5,671,287.70	-
Net Income							1,492,076.15	1,492,076.15	-
Total Net Position	\$ 13,633,547.44	\$ 119,960.31	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 2,407,942.42	\$ 1,016,648.83	\$ 2,271,738.66	\$ 7,163,363.85	\$ 29,613,201.51	\$ 8,696,329.91
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET POSITION	\$ 14,069,303.44	\$ 119,960.31	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 2,407,942.42	\$ 1,016,648.83	\$ 2,271,738.66	\$ 14,292,200.11	\$ 37,177,793.77	\$ 8,696,329.91

Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1
Balance Sheet by Net Position Category (Detailed Version)
As of December 31, 2020

	Net Investment in Capital Assets	Restricted	State Water Project	Debt Repayment Obligation	Repairs & Replacement	Plant Expansion	Unrestricted, Unreserved	TOTAL	Total Unrestricted, Board Reserved
ASSETS									
Current Assets									
Checking/Savings									
120100 - Checking account							\$ 60,213.71	\$ 60,213.71	\$ -
120500 - Cash Operating (PIMMA)							5,337,595.52	5,337,595.52	-
120620 - Cash - BNY/Series 2004									-
123000 - Investment in LAIF			3,000,000.00	2,407,942.42	1,016,648.83	2,271,738.66	4,330,760.54	13,027,090.45	8,696,329.91
123001 - Investments - Restricted (LAIF)		109,212.20						109,212.20	
Total Checking/Savings	-	109,212.20	3,000,000.00	2,407,942.42	1,016,648.83	2,271,738.66	9,728,569.77	18,534,111.88	8,696,329.91
Accounts Receivable									
125000 - Accounts Receivable							746,854.00	746,854.00	-
Total Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-	746,854.00	746,854.00	-
Other Current Assets									
128000 Interest Receivable									-
122000 - Petty Cash							150.00	150.00	-
131000 - Inventory							303,710.46	303,710.46	-
141001 - Deferred Outflows - OPEB							147,241.00	147,241.00	-
1499 Undeposited funds							572.00	572.00	-
141000 - Deferred Outflows Res.-Pension							518,244.00	518,244.00	-
Total Other Current Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	969,917.46	969,917.46	1,939,834.92
Total Current Assets	-	109,212.20	3,000,000.00	2,407,942.42	1,016,648.83	2,271,738.66	11,445,341.23	20,250,883.34	8,696,329.91
Fixed Assets									
100100 - Construction in Progress									-
100101 - Capital Improvement Projects	510,374.55							510,374.55	-
100102 - Zone 1,2,3 Reservoirs	-							-	-
100106 - Rehab/Rplc - Trans. Mains/La	-							-	-
100140 - New District Building	-							-	-
100170 - Well Field-6.0 CFS	141,635.67							141,635.67	-
100171 - 4 CFS Well Field	160,664.29							160,664.29	-
100181 - Security Zone 1	6,147.14							6,147.14	-
100182 - Water CAD	2,693.75							2,693.75	-
100183 - GIS Engineering	9,599.95							9,599.95	-
100189 - Well #24	4,014.54							4,014.54	-
100195 - Refugio II BPS	997.69							997.69	-
100196 - Alamo Pintado BPS	20,502.59							20,502.59	-
100197 - Refugio 3-BPW-Repairs	2,268.96							2,268.96	-
100198 - Meadowlark BPS	-							-	-
100350 - Uplands Wells	-							-	-
Total 100100 - Construction in Progress	858,899.13	-	-	-	-	-	-	858,899.13	-
100290 - Contributed Assets	62,027.70							62,027.70	-
100300 - Utility Plant	6,034,062.09							6,034,062.09	-
100306 - Land and Water Rights	503,317.08							503,317.08	-
100310 - Source of Water Supply	-							-	-

Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1
Balance Sheet by Net Position Category (Detailed Version)
As of December 31, 2020

	Net Investment in Capital Assets	Restricted	State Water Project	Debt Repayment Obligation	Repairs & Replacement	Plant Expansion	Unrestricted, Unreserved	TOTAL	Total Unrestricted, Board Reserved
100333 - Cr6 Blending Station/Facilities	-							-	
100225 Damage/Well 17 & 18	442,361.78							442,361.78	-
10029-A Contributed Assets	564,186.00							564,186.00	-
100318 - Meter Replacement	686,324.16							686,324.16	-
100311 - Structures & Improvement	85,851.24							85,851.24	-
100315 - Wells	4,508,054.17							4,508,054.17	-
100316 - Supply Mains	2,236,562.57							2,236,562.57	-
100324 - Pumping Equipment	2,366,096.99							2,366,096.99	-
100332 - Water Treatment Equip.	5,574.31							5,574.31	-
100335 - SWP Pump Station/Pipeline	44,165.46							44,165.46	-
100351 - Reservoir Repair Zone 1	690,915.68							690,915.68	-
100352 - Reservoir Repair Zone 2	812,798.41							812,798.41	-
100353 - Reservoir Repair Zone 3	189,239.80							189,239.80	-
100355 - Utility Plant Repairs	3,737,638.36							3,737,638.36	-
Total 100310 - Source of Water Supply	16,369,768.93	-	-	-	-	-	-	16,369,768.93	-
100370 - Equipment & Office Bldg.									
100371 - Office Building/Shop Improven	204,213.30							204,213.30	-
100372 - Office Furn., Computers & Eq	161,744.03							161,744.03	-
100373 - Fleet Vehicle Addition/Replace	794,525.92							794,525.92	-
100376 - Communications/Telemetry-St	145,912.42							145,912.42	-
100378 - Mjr. Tools, Shop & Garage Eq	178,158.67							178,158.67	-
100379 - Maintenance Building	6,159.15							6,159.15	-
Total 100370 - Equipment & Office Bldg.	1,490,713.49	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,490,713.49	-
100400 - Accum Depr Utility Plant									
100410 - Accum Depr Wells	(8,990,132.89)							(8,990,132.89)	-
100420 - Accum Depr Equip & Offic	(1,002,773.16)							(1,002,773.16)	-
100400 - Accum Depr Utility Plant - Oth	\$ (6,043,795.79)							\$ (6,043,795.79)	\$ -
Total 100400 - Accum Depr Utility Plant	(16,036,701.84)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(16,036,701.84)	-
Total Fixed Assets	9,282,086.58							9,282,086.58	-
Other Assets									
154010 Series 2004 Bond Costs									
155110 CCWA - Solvang RCR							627,594.39	627,594.39	-
100200 - Reimbursable Projects									
100224 - Winter Storm Damage 2005									
100223 - 6 & 4 CSF Well Fields Infra	33,308.64							33,308.64	-
100225 - Well #23	97,004.96							97,004.96	-
100226 - Well #24	902,112.30							902,112.30	-
100227 - Well #25	1,200,719.31							1,200,719.31	-
100229 - Well #27	1,489,572.28							1,489,572.28	-
100230 - Well #28	1,034,561.00							1,034,561.00	-
100331 - Well #10	29,938.37							29,938.37	-
Total 100224 - Winter Storm Damage 2005	4,787,216.86	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,787,216.86	-
100260 - Chumash Reservation Reimb.									

Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1
Balance Sheet by Net Position Category (Detailed Version)
As of December 31, 2020

	Net Investment in Capital Assets	Restricted	State Water Project	Debt Repayment Obligation	Repairs & Replacement	Plant Expansion	Unrestricted, Unreserved	TOTAL	Total Unrestricted, Board Reserved
100263 - Casino Expansion							5,658.42	5,658.42	-
100264 - WWTP							552.50	552.50	-
100265 - Wonne Mainline Extension							42.16	42.16	-
100260 - Chumash Reservation Reimb. - Other							1,575.00	1,575.00	-
Total 100260 - Chumash Reservation R	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,828.08	7,828.08	-
100280 - Trabucco/Reimbursable							-	-	-
Total 100200 - Reimbursable Projects	4,787,216.86	-	-	-	-	-	7,828.08	4,795,044.94	-
124100 - CD SY Indian Septic		10,748.11						10,748.11	-
132100 - Prepaid State Water							948,777.16	948,777.16	-
132150 - Prepaid Cachuma Water							62,028.88	62,028.88	-
132200 - Prepaid Insurance							54,829.32	54,829.32	-
155000 - Prepaid Expenses CCWA							682,767.82	682,767.82	-
155100 - CCWA Rate Coverage Reser							463,033.23	463,033.23	-
Total Other Assets	4,787,216.86	10,748.11	-	-	-	-	2,846,858.88	7,644,823.85	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 14,069,303.44	\$ 119,960.31	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 2,407,942.42	\$ 1,016,648.83	\$ 2,271,738.66	\$ 14,292,200.11	\$ 37,177,793.77	\$ 8,696,329.91
LIABILITIES & EQUITY									
Liabilities									
Current Liabilities									
Accounts Payable									
222000 - Accounts Payable							\$ 57,835.70	\$ 57,835.70	\$ -
Total Accounts Payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	57,835.70	57,835.70	-
Credit Cards									
120000 - Credit Card Account - General							2,087.76	2,087.76	-
120001 - Ace (Harrison) Hrdwr Chrg Acct							191.32	191.32	-
12003 - Credit Card Account - AGM							268.51	268.51	-
120002 - Credit Card Account - GM							348.48	348.48	-
Total Credit Cards	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,896.07	2,896.07	-
Other Current Liabilities									
220000 - Deferred Inflows-Pension							96,010.00	96,010.00	-
220001 - Deferred Inflows - OPEB							476,670.00	476,670.00	-
2100 - 228000 Payroll Liabilities							4,932.56	4,932.56	-
21000 - Retentions Payable							30,632.50	30,632.50	-
223000 - Interest Payable							13,052.08	13,052.08	-
227000 - Accrued Vacation							140,212.96	140,212.96	-
245100 - Deferred Water Revenue							682,767.82	682,767.82	-
245200 - CCWA - Solvang RCR							627,594.39	627,594.39	-
270000 - Deposits - Meters							183,052.30	183,052.30	-
27003 - Deposits - CUSI							16,252.88	16,252.88	-
274000 - Deposit SY Indian Sep Re							2,490.00	2,490.00	-
Total Other Current Liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,273,667.49	2,273,667.49	-

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As of December 31, 2020

	Net Investment in Capital Assets	Restricted	State Water Project	Debt Repayment Obligation	Repairs & Replacement	Plant Expansion	Unrestricted, Unreserved	TOTAL	Total Unrestricted, Board Reserved
Total Current Liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,334,399.26	2,334,399.26	-
Long Term Liabilities									
230000 - Net Pension Liability							1,981,106.00	1,981,106.00	
21001 - OPEB Liability							2,813,331.00	2,813,331.00	-
218200 - Series 2004 Bond	430,000.00							430,000.00	-
218300 - Series 2004 Bond OID	5,756.00							5,756.00	-
Total Long Term Liabilities	435,756.00	-	-	-	-	-	4,794,437.00	5,230,193.00	-
Total Liabilities	\$ 435,756.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,128,836.26	\$ 7,564,592.26	\$ -
Net Position									
271100 - Invest. in Utility Plant	\$ 13,633,547.44							\$ 13,633,547.44	\$ -
271380 - Debt Repayment				\$ 2,407,942.42				\$ 2,407,942.42	\$ 2,407,942.42
271800 - Repairs & Replacements					1,016,648.83			1,016,648.83	1,016,648.83
271900 - Contingency								-	-
272000 - Plant Expansion						2,271,738.66		2,271,738.66	2,271,738.66
272100 - SWP Reserve			3,000,000.00					3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00
272300 - Restricted Net Asset		119,960.31						119,960.31	-
3000 - Opening Bal Equity								-	-
3900 - 271210 Unreserved Retained Earn							5,671,287.70	5,671,287.70	-
Net Income							1,492,076.15	1,492,076.15	-
Total Net Position	\$ 13,633,547.44	\$ 119,960.31	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 2,407,942.42	\$ 1,016,648.83	\$ 2,271,738.66	\$ 7,163,363.85	\$ 29,613,201.51	\$ 8,696,329.91
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET POSITION	\$ 14,069,303.44	\$ 119,960.31	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 2,407,942.42	\$ 1,016,648.83	\$ 2,271,738.66	\$ 14,292,200.11	\$ 37,177,793.77	\$ 8,696,329.91



January 11, 2021

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VIA E-MAIL

Mr. Paeter Garcia, General Manager
Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1
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RE: Notice of Fee Adjustment to Agreement for Legal Services

Dear Paeter:

We continue to thoroughly enjoy representing the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1, ("District"), and trust that the District continues to be pleased with Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP's ("Brownstein") provision of legal services. As you know, by working closely with District management, we make every effort to provide the District with high quality, cost-efficient, and timely legal services responsive to the District's needs.

As discussed, we have not adjusted our hourly rates for legal services for over six years, primarily in recognition of the prior economic downturn, its effect on the local economy, and the District's endeavors to hold down costs. In the meantime, just as the District is experiencing continued increasing costs, our firm is similarly impacted. As a result, an adjustment in our hourly rates is necessary to partially offset our increased costs of operation as well as keeping pace with inflation. In order to keep rising costs in perspective, and for a frame of reference, the consumer-price index for California has risen approximately 15 percent over the last six years. We are proposing an increase in our hourly rates, averaging approximately nine percent (one and one-half percent per year). Even with this adjustment, as you can see, we will not be keeping pace with inflation. However, in continuing our commitment to the District, we feel that a limited increase is mindful that the local economy is still behind other parts of the state, and represents our effort to assist the District in holding down costs.

As we have done in the past, we will continue to apply a significantly discounted rate to our work for the District. The new rates will be reflected in invoices for services rendered in January, which the District will receive in early February. The increase in our rates will be reflected as follows: the shareholder rate is currently \$395 per hour and will increase by \$35 per hour to \$430 per hour; the senior associate rate is currently \$335 per hour and will increase by \$30 per hour to \$365 per hour; the associate rate is currently \$285 per hour and will increase by \$25 per hour to \$310 per hour; and the paralegal rate is currently \$145 per hour and will increase to \$160 per hour. The above hourly rates for the District, even after the increase, represent a 30 to 40 percent discount from our standard rates. As we have done in the past, in order to further reduce the cost of legal services to the District, we will use associates and paralegals under the supervision of partners, to perform the necessary work where appropriate. This approach provides the District with the benefit of our partners' experience at lower associate and paralegal hourly rates resulting in an effective melded rate well below partner rates.

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Mr. Paeter Garcia, General Manager
January 11, 2021
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This letter will confirm that our Agreement for Legal Services with the District is modified to reflect the adjusted hourly rates discussed above. We will continue to provide our professional services at those discounted rates which are substantially less than the rates we charge other clients, including other public agency clients.

We recognize there are many qualified attorneys in the legal community, and we are honored that the District continues to place its trust in us. We strive to ensure the quality of our services exceeds your expectations. We look forward to continuing our relationship and providing the District with legal services. If you have any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to give us a call.

Sincerely,



Gary M. Kvistad

cc: Mary Martone, Assistant General Manager
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Santa Barbara County Public Works Department
Flood Control Water Agency Project Clean Water

December 17, 2020

S.Y.R.W.C.D.ID. #1

Mr. Ernest Conant, Regional Director
Mid-Pacific Region
U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
2800 Cottage Way, Room 3-1604
Sacramento, CA 95825-1898

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Subject: This letter supersedes previously sent letter dated December 7, 2020 regarding Renewal of Water Service Contract No. 175r-1802R between the United States and Santa Barbara County Water Agency; Cachuma Project

Dear Mr. Conant:

The Santa Barbara County Water Agency (SBCWA) and the United States entered into Water Service Contract No. 175r-1802R (Contract) on April 14, 1996 for the Cachuma Project in Santa Barbara, California. This Contract will expire on September 30, 2023. Pursuant to Article 2 of said Contract, SBCWA hereby requests that this Contract be renewed and replaced with a permanent contract that does not expire or have an expiration date. The SBCWA previously sent a renewal request for this contract in a letter dated May 2, 2017, as authorized by the SBCWA Board of Directors (attached). At the time, the Contract was due to expire on September 30, 2020. The Contract was subsequently extended for three years. The SBCWA reiterates its request to renew the Contract.

Please contact Mr. Matt Young by email at mcyoung@cosbpw.net or by phone at (805) 568- 3546 to schedule future technical and/or negotiation sessions regarding the renewal of Contract. The SBCWA looks forward to continuing to work with the United States' Bureau of Reclamation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott D. McGolpin".

Scott D. McGolpin, P.E.
Public Works Director

Attachment: Renewal Request Letter dated May 2, 2017

cc: Mr. Michael Jackson, Area Manager, USBR, 1243 N. Street, Fresno, CA 93727
Mr. Dave Hyatt, Resource Management Division Chief, USBR, 1243 N. Street, Fresno, CA 93727
Mr. Joshua Haggmark, City of Santa Barbara, 630 Garden Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101
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Mr. Robert McDonald, Carpinteria Water District, 1301 Santa Ynez Avenue, Carpinteria, CA 93013
Mr. Nicholas Turner, Montecito Water District, 583 San Ysidro Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93108
Mr. Paeter Garcia, Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District Improvement District No. 1, 3622 Sagunto Street, Santa Ynez, CA 93460

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May 2, 2017

Mr. David Murillo, Regional Director
Mid-Pacific Region
U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
2800 Cottage Way, Room 3-1604
Sacramento, CA 95825-1898

Subject: Request for Renewal of Water Service Contract No. I75r-1802R between the United States and Santa Barbara County Water Agency; Cachuma Project, California

Dear Mr. Murillo:

The Santa Barbara County Water Agency (SBCWA) and the United States entered into Water Service Contract No. I75r-1802R (Contract) on April 14, 1996 for the Cachuma Project in Santa Barbara, California. This Contract will expire on September 30, 2020. Pursuant to Article 2 of said Contract, SBCWA hereby requests that this Contract be renewed for 25 years until September 30, 2045.

Please contact Mr. Tom Fayram by email at tfayram@cosbpw.net or by phone at (805) 568-3436 to schedule future technical and/or negotiation sessions regarding the renewal of this Contract. The SBCWA looks forward to continuing to work with the United States' Bureau of Reclamation.

Sincerely,

Joan Hartmann
Chair of the Board of Directors
Santa Barbara County Water Agency

cc: Mr. Michael Jackson, P.E. Area Manager, USBR, 1243 N. Street, Fresno, CA 93727
Mr. Michael LeBarre, Chief, Contracts Admin Branch, USBR, 1243 N. Street, Fresno, CA 93727

Santa Ynez River Valley Groundwater Basin

The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), enacted January 2015, creates a new framework for groundwater management. The management plan developed by this process will regulate future groundwater use and will be completed in early 2022.

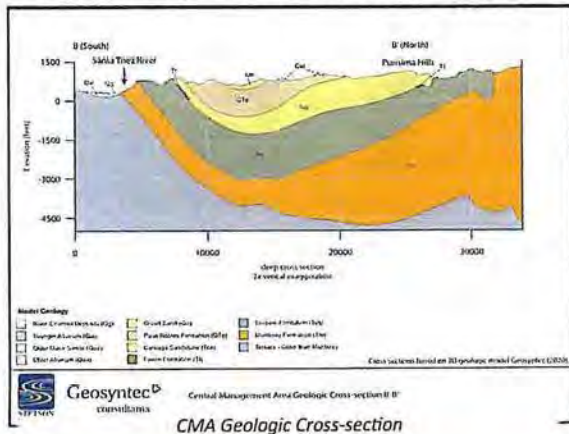
In accordance with SGMA, DRAFT Hydrogeological Conceptual Models (HCM) have been prepared for each management area within the Santa Ynez River Groundwater Basin, including the Eastern Management Area (EMA), the Central Management Area (CMA), and the Western Management Area (WMA). Each HCM describes the basin setting and outlines the physical characteristics of the specific management area, identifies principal aquifers, and the uses and users of groundwater. The HCM documents for the EMA, CMA, and WMA are **now available for public review and comment at SantaYnezWater.org**. Additional DRAFT documents describing groundwater conditions will be released for public review and comment, soon.

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Hydrogeological Conceptual Model:

Provides understanding of basin setting, physical characteristics and basin geometry (geology), hydrogeologic conditions, land use, and groundwater uses and users.

HCMs include a series of geologic maps and scaled cross-sections to provide a representation and geographic view of different data sets, as demonstrated by these examples from the draft HCMs.



Sustainable Management Criteria

Sustainable Groundwater Management is defined by the management and use of groundwater in a manner that can be maintained during the planning and implementation horizon, 20 years, without causing undesirable results.

Avoidance of undesirable results is measured through six sustainability indicators:

Lowering GW Levels	Reduction of Storage	Seawater Intrusion
Degraded Quality	Land Subsidence	Surface Water Depletion

Agenda Item 10. B.

The Groundwater Sustainability Agency Committees will request public feedback on the six sustainability indicators and associated undesirable results based on findings presented by the basin's consultants. Public feedback to establish undesirable results thresholds will be considered to work toward sustainable groundwater management. Public participation is important at this step to develop appropriate undesirable results thresholds in order to develop a plan for sustainable groundwater management. For meeting announcements and information on how to participate, please visit the website at SantaYnezWater.org.

For more information, meeting announcements, and draft documents, please visit

SantaYnezWater.org
or call (805) 693-1156 ext. 403



Cuenca de Agua Subterránea del Valle del Río Santa Ynez

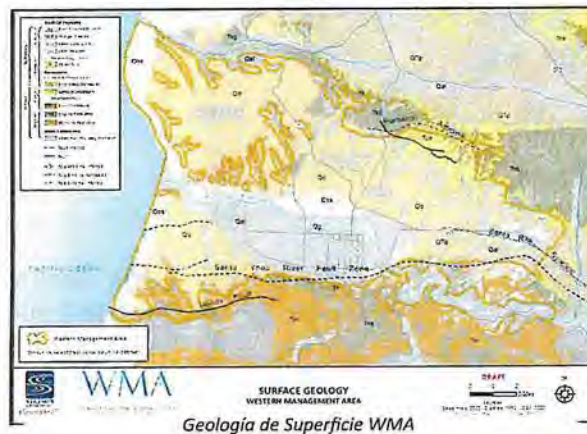
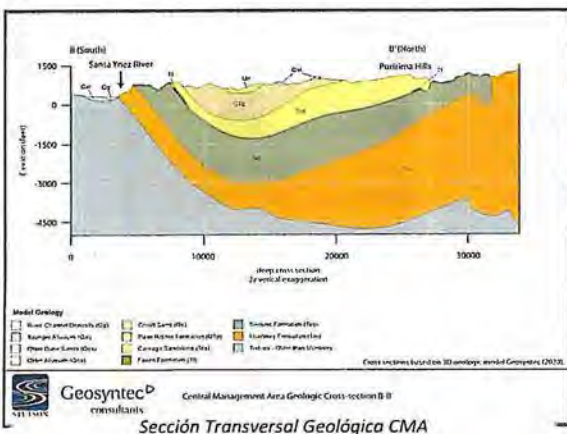
La Ley de Gestión Sostenible del Agua Subterránea (SGMA, por sus siglas en inglés), promulgada en enero del 2015, crea un nuevo marco para la sostenibilidad del agua subterránea. El plan de sostenibilidad desarrollado por este proceso regulará el uso futuro del agua subterránea y se completará a principios de 2022.

De acuerdo con la SGMA, se han preparado BORRADORES de Modelos Conceptuales Hidrogeológicos (HCM, por sus siglas en inglés) para cada área de gestión dentro de la Cuenca de Agua Subterránea del Río Santa Ynez, incluyendo el Área de Gestión Oriental (EMA, por sus siglas en inglés), el Área de Gestión Central (CMA, por sus siglas en inglés) y el Área de Gestión Occidental (WMA, por sus siglas en inglés). Cada HCM describe el entorno de la cuenca y describe las características físicas del área de gestión específica, identifica los principales acuíferos, y los usos y usuarios del agua subterránea. Los documentos de HCM para EMA, CMA, y WMA ya **están disponibles para su revisión y comentarios públicos en SantaYnezWater.org**. Pronto se publicarán documentos BORRADORES adicionales que describen las condiciones del agua subterránea para su revisión y comentarios públicos.

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Modelo Conceptual Hidrogeológico: Proporciona una comprensión del entorno de la cuenca, las características físicas y la geometría de la cuenca (geología), las condiciones hidrogeológicas, el uso de la tierra y los usos y usuarios del agua subterránea.

Los HCM incluyen una serie de mapas geológicos y secciones transversales escaladas para proporcionar una representación y vista geográfica de diferentes conjuntos de datos, como lo demuestran estos ejemplos de los borradores de HCM.



Criterios de Gestión Sostenible

La Gestión Sostenible del Agua Subterránea se define como la gestión y uso del agua subterránea de manera que se pueda mantener durante el horizonte de planeación e implementación, 20 años, sin generar resultados indeseables.

El evitar resultados indeseables se mide a través de seis indicadores de sostenibilidad:

Lowering GW Levels	Reduction of Storage	Seawater Intrusion
Degraded Quality	Land Subsidence	Surface Water Depletion

Los Comités de la Agencia de Sostenibilidad del Agua Subterránea solicitarán la retroalimentación del público sobre los seis indicadores de sostenibilidad y los resultados indeseables asociados basados en los hallazgos presentados por los consultores de la cuenca. Se considerará que la retroalimentación del público para establecer umbrales de resultados no deseados tiene como fin la gestión sostenible del agua subterránea. La participación pública es importante en este paso para desarrollar umbrales de resultados indeseables apropiados con el fin de desarrollar un plan de sostenibilidad del agua subterránea. Para conocer los anuncios de reuniones e información sobre cómo participar, visite el sitio web SantaYnezWater.org.

Para obtener más información, anuncios de reuniones, y documentos preliminares, visite

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Staff Report

The Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1 (ID1) voted Dec. 15 to defer a 5 percent water rate increase that was scheduled to go into effect on Jan. 1. The scheduled rate increase will be deferred for six months and the issue will be revisited in June.

“One of our core responsibilities as a District and elected Board of Trustees is to ensure we have the financial means to carry out our mission of providing sufficient, reliable, high quality water supplies to all of our customers,” said Jeff Clay, president of the district’s board.

“While water rates are a critical factor in that equation, we also recognize that our customers have faced unprecedented challenges in 2020. Based on the district fiscal stability, deferring water rates seemed the right thing to do at this time,” he added.

ID1’s decision to postpone the scheduled rate increase is the second step this year in support of its customers. From March through October of 2020, the board suspended all late penalties on accounts that were unable to pay on time due to financial hardship.



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“This is a community effort,” said Clay. “Economically we need to plan and prepare for the future while keeping a close eye on the present.”

The district proudly serves potable water supplies for domestic, agricultural, commercial, and institutional needs within the communities of Santa Ynez, Los Olivos, Ballard, the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians, and the City of Solvang on a limited basis. The Board of Trustees is comprised of President Jeff Clay, Vice President Brad Joos, and Trustees Mike Burchardi, Lori Parker and Jeff Holzer.

For more information about ID1, visit www.syrwd.org and be sure to attend their monthly board meetings.

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Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District postpones 5% water rate increase

Santa Ynez Valley News Staff Report

Dec 22, 2020

Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District board of trustees on Dec. 15 voted to defer a 5% water rate increase that was scheduled to go into effect Jan. 1.

From March to October, the board also suspended late penalties on accounts that were unable to pay on time due to financial hardship.

“One of our core responsibilities as a district and elected board of trustees is to ensure we have the financial means to carry out our mission of providing sufficient, reliable, high-quality water supplies to all of our customers,” said Jeff Clay, president of Improvement District No. 1. “While water rates are a critical factor in that equation, we also recognize that our customers have faced unprecedented challenges in 2020. Based on the district fiscal stability, deferring water rates seemed the right thing to do at this time.”

The rate increase will be deferred six months out and revisited in June of 2021.

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Lisa André covers lifestyle and local news for Santa Ynez Valley News and Lompoc Record.



NEWS BULLETIN

ID No.1 Board Votes to Defer Scheduled Water Rate Increase

On December 15, 2020, the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1 (District) voted to defer a five percent (5%) water rate increase that was scheduled to go into effect on January 1, 2021. According to the Board's decision, the scheduled rate increase will be deferred for six months and the issue will be revisited in June of 2021.

Jeff Clay, President of the District's Board, said the following about the rate deferral: "One of our core responsibilities as a District and elected Board of Trustees is to ensure we have the financial means to carry out our mission of providing sufficient, reliable, high quality water supplies to all of our customers. While water rates are a critical factor in that equation, we also recognize that our customers have faced unprecedented challenges in 2020. Based on the District's fiscal stability, deferring water rates seemed the right thing to do at this time."

The District's decision to postpone the scheduled rate increase is the second step this year in support of its customers. From March through October of 2020, the Board suspended all late penalties on accounts that were unable to pay on time due to financial hardship. "This is a community effort," said Clay, "economically we need to plan and prepare for the future while keeping a close eye on the present."

The District proudly serves potable water supplies for domestic, agricultural, commercial, and institutional needs within the communities of Santa Ynez, Los Olivos, Ballard, the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians, and the City of Solvang on a limited basis. The Board of Trustees is comprised of President Jeff Clay, Vice President Brad Joos, and Trustees Mike Burchardi, Lori Parker, and Jeff Holzer.

For more information about the District, please visit our website at www.syrwd.org. As always, all customers and members of the public are welcome to attend our monthly Board meetings (currently being held via video and teleconference) and may contact the District with any questions or concerns at (805) 688-6015. ***Wishing You and Yours a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!***

Lisa Palmer, President
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Agenda Item 12. Reports

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December 14, 2020

Re: Wastewater Reclamation Project Update

Dear Los Olivos Residents,

Your CSD Board continues to work on your behalf to develop a cost-effective wastewater management solution for our community. Our focus remains developing Resident Guidelines for Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems as well as permitting a Phase 1 Collection and Treatment System for the downtown core and securing grants to help pay for all phases of this work.

Here's a brief overview of the second half of 2020 and a look forward to 2021:

Resident Guidelines for Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems for Los Olivos

Giving district residents certainty and understanding of their system maintenance options and requirements is the goal of having Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems Residential Guidelines.

- In November we had an introductory meeting with Lars Siefert, new director of Santa Barbara County Environmental Health Services, to brief him on our district's challenges and discuss how we can work together to give residents clear guidance on system maintenance and replacement requirements while ensuring groundwater protection.
- A consultant with experience in the County's wastewater management plans is creating draft guidelines for review by the Board in January. These guidelines will also need approval from County Environmental Health Services.

We plan to hold a community workshop in January or February to discuss the proposed Resident Guidelines for Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems and hear feedback from residents and property owners. The date will be posted on the [District website](#), at the Post Office and will be sent to everyone on our e-mail list. Sign up for email updates at losolivoscsd@gmail.com [PRINT VERSION] / email updates [here](#).

Phase 1 Wastewater Collection and Treatment System

We continue to work on projects funded by County Environmental Health Services. All three of these initiatives will be back before the Board for consideration in Q1 2021.

- Preliminary design services, including a Wastewater Load Study, estimating anticipated volumes and wastewater strength.
- Development of a Groundwater Monitoring Plan and Preliminary Soils/Geotechnical Report.
- Preliminary environmental services to determine potential impacts and mitigations required.

We continued coordination with the County, the Regional Water Quality Control Board, and community partners including the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District – ID1.

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Phase 1 System Siting Progress

We continue to seek alternative potential sites for the Phase 1 wastewater treatment and reclamation plant in or adjacent to the downtown core. It is imperative we identify multiple potential sites to study simultaneously and to ensure any final site is both environmentally and economically feasible. Sites that are ideal potential candidates are:

- In or adjacent to the CSD boundary (see <https://www.losolivoscscsd.com/files/dfe584452/Official+Los+Olivos+CSD+Map.pdf>)
- Approximately 0.5-1 acre in size (District can facilitate lot split or subdivision)
- Located down gradient of the Commercial Zone (preferred but not required)

If you or anyone you know has a parcel that may meet these criteria and might be interested in talking with us about potential use, please call or email me.

The County is in the process of authorizing an easement to use an excess road right-of-way parcel adjacent to Mattei's Tavern and St. Marks in the Valley as a potential site. The easement would only be granted when and if a project is approved for that site. Thank you to Supervisor Hartmann for her role in facilitating this process.

Grant & Funding Source Update

We are submitting a grant funding application to the State Water Board by December 31, 2020. A successful application will make us eligible for up to \$5 million in grant money plus eligibility for a balance of the funding needed in the form of a low interest loan.

Our team continues to research and identify additional grant opportunities that may be a good fit for our district to reduce the overall costs to district property owner for studies, design and construction costs.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact me at (805) 331-3553 or Dpike@mnsengineers.com. Best wishes for a safe, healthy and happy holiday.

Sincerely,



Doug Pike
Interim General Manager

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December 18, 2020

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SUBJECT: Potential Groudwater Quality Improvement Collaboration between ID1 and Los Olivos Community Services District

Dear Paeter and Members of the Board:

As you are aware, our District's sole mission and mandate is to improve groundwater quality by building and operating facilities to collect, treat and reclaim wastewater in Los Olivos, designated a "special problem area" since the 1970's. We are currently pursuing and studying siting options for our main facility which will consist of a package wastewater treatment and reclamation facility, metering tanks and perolation/injection well site. All of this can be sited on .5-1 acres.

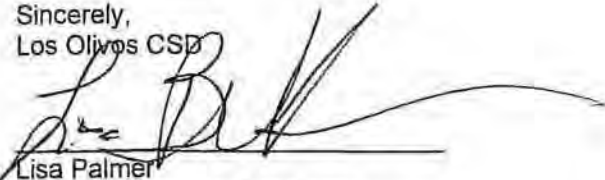
At your November 17 Board meeting we discussed our mutual interest in the cost-effective improvement of groundwater quality and working together to ensure groundwater quality is improved in the Los Olivos area for the benefit of the entire community and our mutual constituents. We are very grateful for your general support and desire to see us succeed and work together where practical and mutually beneficial.

In this spirit we respectfully ask the SYRWCD-ID1 Board to consider the potential shared use of your Well 5 site located on the southeast corner of Alamo Pintado Road and Santa Barbara Street in Los Olivos. We understand there may be plans to add treatment and reactivate this well sometime in the future. There are a number of scenarios wherin joint use of the site for your existing Well 5 and potential LOCS D facilities could directly improve the shallow aquifer water quality through the reinjection of reclaimed water treated to Title 22 standards. This would in turn benefit the deep aquifer from which ID1 draws it's water for residents to drink.

If you are open to considering this possibility, we would greatly appreciate the opportunity to meet and further discuss how a collaborative use might work to the benefit of both districts and our shared constituents.

Thank you for your continued support of the Los Olivos CSD and our efforts to improve groundwater quality by implementing a cost-effective and environntally sustainable wastewater reclamation solution. Additionally, if there is anything our District can do to assist ID1 in achieving its goals please let us know. If you have any questions, please contact me at (805) 680-2336 or lisa@lpalmerconsulting.com or Douglas Pike, Interim General Manager, at (805) 331-3553 or dpik@mnseengineers.com.

Sincerely,
Los Olivos CSD


Lisa Palmer
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December 31, 2020

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Submitted via email: commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov

Dear Ms. Townsend:

Subject: Comment Letter – Hexavalent Chromium MCL Costs

The Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD) appreciates the opportunity to comment along with other stakeholders who may be affected by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) work to estimate costs to comply with a proposed hexavalent chromium maximum contaminant level (MCL). CVWD provides domestic water, wastewater, recycled water, irrigation/drainage, regional stormwater protection and ground management services to a population of about 300,000 throughout the Coachella Valley.

Enclosed are CVWD comments provided on December 8, 2020 during the SWRCB workshop on the Hexavalent Chromium MCL Estimate of Costs. In addition to the enclosed comments, CVWD wishes to provide the following comments for your consideration:

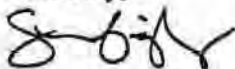
1. Methodology and Assumptions Lack Technology Descriptions. The most important information SWRCB staff intended to communicate with the subject documents are estimated costs to implement various treatment technologies to meet multiple proposed hexavalent chromium (Cr6) MCL options. Six treatment technologies are identified but only with abbreviations (e.g., WBA, RCF, and SBA). While an assumption can reasonably be made that "SBA" is an abbreviation for Strong Base Anion and refers to a type of ion exchange resin used, it is unknown what SBA treatment methodology was used to develop the cost estimates. For example, SBA can be designed and operated as a single-pass media or the media can be regenerated and reused multiple times. Media regeneration can occur on-site or the media can be regenerated off-site. Variable characteristics can apply to waste brine generated that may require different levels of treatment or different disposal locations that can significantly impact treatment costs. Each of these different methodologies are associated with numerous constraints often driven by local conditions involving well site and water quality characteristics. A detailed description of each of the six treatment technologies and the numerous assumptions that are unique to each technology used to develop the estimated treatment costs needs to be added to the Methodology and Assumptions so that the public and impacted water agencies can provide meaningful input on these tables.

2. Methodology and Assumptions Produce Biased Results. One of the SWRCB general assumptions is that water would be treated to a level equal to 80 percent of the selected MCL except for the SBA technology which would be treated to below the detection limit for reporting (DLR). There is no explanation for why a different assumption is used for SBA. SBA treatment, like the remaining treatment technologies, are routinely designed and operated to reliably treat water to meet some percentage of the MCL, typically 80 percent. CVWD's three existing SBA treatment plants designed to remove naturally occurring arsenic and Cr6 have been operated to maintain arsenic levels in treated water below 80 percent of the 10 microgram per liter (ug/L) MCL for over 10 years. Similarly, CVWD's Cr6 compliance plan included shovel ready design plans for 20 SBA treatment plants that targeted 80 percent of the 10 ug/L MCL. When compared to treating below the DLR, the target of 80 percent of the MCL provides capital cost savings associated with partial stream treatment and operational cost savings by allowing longer run times before regeneration. It appears this unjustified general assumption is the reason that SWRCB staff failed to develop SBA treatment costs for any MCL option other than 1 ug/L. This assumption has the effect of masking the cost savings that can be achieved at the four MCL options that are higher than 1 ug/L for SBA treatment and will act to bias future cost benefit assessments to disproportionately favor the 1 ug/L option.
3. Incomplete Treatment Costs Table. This table provides incomplete cost estimates for treatment technologies identified to reduce Cr6 levels below five proposed Cr6 MCL options. Treatment costs are missing from this table for Cr6 MCL options above 1 ug/L for the following three identified treatment technologies: 1) RCF (w/ vacuum MF), 2) RCF (w/ pressure MF), and 3) SBA. Each of these treatment technologies can be designed and operated more cost effectively to meet the identified MCL options above 1 ug/L. The estimated costs to meet identified MCL options above 1 ug/L should be added to the Treatment Costs table for RCF (w/ vacuum MF), RCF (w/ pressure MF), and SBA.
4. Inaccurate Treatment Cost Equations Table. There are significant problems with at least one of the cost equations provided in this table. For example, applying the best fit capital cost equation provided for the SBA treatment technology for a 2,000 gallon per minute (gpm) well results in a calculated cost of \$3,874,200. However, the Treatment Cost Table reports a capital cost of \$5,064,000 for this same 2,000 gpm SBA treatment facility. This is a 24% difference between the information provided in these two tables for the same 2,000 gpm SBA treatment facility. Calculating SBA capital facility costs for the remaining differently sized well facilities results in cost differences between information provided in these tables that range up to 29%. CVWD has considerable concern in effectively utilizing the equations provided to provide estimates of treatment costs for the selected technologies. These equations need significant evaluation and corrections before use.

5. Methodology Underestimates Treatment Costs for WBA and SBA Technologies. As noted in the enclosed comments, the estimated costs generated using the SWRCB staff treatment cost equation to implement WBA treatment for CVWD's Improvement District No. 8 (ID-8) water system to meet a 10 ug/L Cr6 MCL are about 80% lower than the present day adjusted guaranteed maximum price (GMP) obtained to implement a shovel ready WBA treatment project for this water system to meet the 10 ug/L MCL adopted in 2014. In addition, we have calculated a total capital estimated cost of \$115,808,343 using the SWRCB staff treatment cost equation to implement SBA treatment for CVWD's largest public water system to meet a 10 ug/L Cr6 MCL. This amount is 128% lower than the present day adjusted GMP amount of \$264,200,000 to implement a shovel ready SBA treatment project to satisfy the same 10 ug/L Cr6 MCL. These two examples of shovel ready project costs demonstrate SWRCB staff treatment cost equations significantly underestimate actual costs to implement the WBA and SBA technologies to meet a 10 ug/L Cr6 MCL.
6. Health Effects Table Masks True Cost Impact. This table reports an average monthly cost per service connection for multiple categories of water system sizes and for multiple different Cr6 MCL options. For the 1,000-9,999 service connection category, the table lists an average monthly cost of \$35 per service connection to meet a 10 ug/L Cr6 MCL. Using the SWRCB staff cost equation for our ID-8 water system, the average monthly cost per service connection is \$299 and this cost increases to \$538 using the shovel ready project cost mentioned above, which is 15 times higher than the \$35 amount provided in the SWRCB staff Health Effects Table. This table needs to be revised to show the full range of water system cost impacts rather than only showing the estimated statewide average amount calculated for each category and this range should account for the range of costs associated with different treatment technologies rather than only using the SBA treatment cost. This same discrepancy is observed in the community and non-community water systems treatment cost tables and the charts and figures produced to evaluate these cost impacts.

Your consideration of these comments is appreciated. Please contact me at sbigley@cvwd.org or extension 2286 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Steve Bigley
Director of Environmental Services

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**Hexavalent Chromium MCL Estimates of Costs
Virtual Workshop – December 2020
Coachella Valley Water District Comments**

Good morning, CVWD had the largest number of water agency wells in the State impacted by the 2014 Cr6 MCL and remains very interested in the development of the new MCL. Cr6 occurs naturally in Coachella Valley sediments and in almost all the groundwater produced from CVWD's 97 wells served to large and small water systems.

First and foremost, we are disappointed that the posted documents provide no information regarding the State's ongoing review of the Cr6 public health goal. This process needs to be completed to ensure the PHG used for the Cr6 MCL development is based on the best available information. The existing PHG is found in the table titled "Health Effects" but it is unclear what health effects information is being provided considering the table primarily lists monthly cost estimates for different categories of water systems to comply with 7 different MCL options.

Even with 18 years of experience evaluating Cr6 treatment technologies, we were unable to properly evaluate the cost estimates provided in the tables considering no definitions or descriptions for the selected technologies were provided. For example, it's easy to assume "SBA" refers to strong-base anion exchange but we are unable to determine if this is single-pass or regenerated SBA, whether resin is regenerated on-site or off-site, what EBCT's were used, how waste brine was treated, if at all, and was pH adjustment included.

In addition to these descriptions, it would have been informative to include in the Methodology and Assumptions Summary the decisions used regarding the management and disposal of treatment waste residuals and the amount of time water systems have to comply with the MCL. As mentioned in our prior comments related to DDW's white paper on Cr6 MCL economic feasibility, we found these decisions are significant cost drivers, and in some cases, significant constraints for the technologies DDW selected.

We were unable to determine if the cost estimates include any adjustment for variable site conditions at well sites. Many impacted wells contain co-occurring contaminants, including sulfate and uranium, which drive treatment cost estimates for some of the selected technologies. Even something as simple as the size of the well site can be a significant constraint for implementing these

technologies and adds significant costs for pipelines, pumping stations, and land purchases. Site conditions are significant considerations for CEQA review and cost estimates need to account for the mitigation measures, both environmental and community driven, needed to implement these projects. It appears DDW makes the assumption that treatment will occur on-site at each source which may mean these cost estimates lack the adjustments that could be used to account for the increased costs associated with variable site conditions.

All of these items were considered by CVWD in its Cr6 MCL compliance plan that included a guaranteed maximum price, or GMP, for capital facilities that included two of the technologies DDW selected. Comparing our GMP to costs calculated using your "treatment equations", we found the GMP using 2020 dollars was about 80% higher than the cost calculated using your equation to implement WBA for one of CVWD's water systems to meet a 10 ug/L Cr6 MCL. We suspect that this cost difference is a result of DDW assumptions that do not account for site conditions including the presence of co-occurring contaminants. We believe DDW's estimates could benefit from a calibration process that could be achieved by working collaboratively with agencies who are able to share this type of information.

This type of collaboration is not new for Federal drinking water standards. As part of the development of the revised arsenic MCL, USEPA implemented the Arsenic Removal Technology Demonstration Project program to perform "real-world" evaluations of conventional and innovative technologies that were particularly relevant for evaluating treatment costs for small water systems. California lacks this type of program and the resulting information gap becomes critical when developing a Cr6 specific MCL that does not exist anywhere else. To fill this gap, we recommend California develop and implement a treatment technologies demonstration program to evaluate the full suite of Cr6 reduction treatment technologies, including stannous chloride, so that more informed cost estimates can be used when developing the new MCL.



Monthly Briefing

A Summary of the Alliance's Recent and Upcoming Activities and Important Water News

Trump signs huge spending bill with Western water provisions

Days after suggesting he wouldn't, President Trump on December 28 averted a government shutdown and signed a massive year-end spending and COVID-19 relief deal into law. The nearly 6,000 page bill included a \$1.4 trillion Fiscal Year 2021 appropriations package, \$900 billion for COVID relief, and the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2020. The President's action puts into effect a wide range of energy and environmental provisions that Congress negotiated in the closing days of the lame duck session.

"I will sign the Omnibus and Covid package with a strong message that makes clear to Congress that wasteful items need to be removed," President Trump said. "I will send back to Congress a red-lined version, item by item, accompanied by the formal rescission request to Congress insisting that those funds be removed from the bill."

President Trump signed the bill, but also demanded that Congress increase individual stimulus payments from \$600 to \$2,000, limit legal protections on tech companies and investigate fraud as a condition for signing the \$900 billion stimulus bill.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell acknowledged

those conditions in a floor speech. However, he did not specifically commit to how those issues would be addressed, as he tried to set up a veto override vote on the annual defense bill before the 116th Congress comes to a close.

"Those are the three important subjects the president has linked together," Senator McConnell said. "This week the Senate will begin a process to bring those three priorities into focus."

The Senate majority leader blocked Democrats' bid to immediately increase the direct payments and gave only a vague commitment to tackling the issue on the Senate floor. According to *POLITICO*, he adjourned the Senate for the day without divulging his personal position on higher checks, even as President Trump publicly pressured Mr. McConnell on the issue.



President Trump discusses the FY 2021 spending bill.
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Overview of Western Water Provisions

The massive package signed into law by President Trump includes the 2020 WRDA, a Reclamation title, and water related appropriation provisions that will benefit Western water users.

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"President Trump has taken numerous actions to support increased, reliable water deliveries to Americans in need throughout the West, and in collaboration with our partners, we have executed on these directives with dispatch, supporting farmers and water users and strengthening rural communities," said Secretary of the Interior David Bernhardt.

Water Resources Development Act

WRDA is legislation that authorizes U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) studies, project construction, operation and maintenance activities, and policy guidance and modifications for water resources priorities across the country. Since 1986, Congress has generally approved a WRDA bill every two years. WRDA is an authorization bill, not an appropriations bill, which means that all programs, activities, and projects included in the bill must still be funded through the annual appropriations process.

After months of negotiations, on December 4, the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and Senate Environment and Public Works Committee released their final, compromise 2020 WRDA bill. The House quickly passed the bill on December 8 by voice vote, sending the bill to the Senate for final approval.

The language of WRDA 2020 was negotiated by Senators John Barrasso (R-WYOMING), Tom Carper (D-DE), and House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Chairman Peter DeFazio (D-OREGON) and Ranking Member Sam Graves (R-MO).

"Congress has taken a significant step to improve our dams, ports, flood-prevention infrastructure, reservoirs, and water systems," said Senator Barrasso, who chairs the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee. "The Water Resources Development Act will help grow our economy and create needed jobs. Increased water storage is critical in the West for America's ranchers and farmers. I will continue to work with Ranking Member Carper to get water infrastructure legislation across the finish line and signed into law."

In order to pass the bill with the limited amount of floor time left in the calendar year, WRDA 2020 was added to the *Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021*.

The 2020 WRDA includes several provisions of importance to Western water users, including authorization for enhanced Army Corps inspections of aging federal water resources, water storage, and irrigation projects using current and innovative technologies. These inspections will help prevent future irrigation tunnel collapses like the one that happened with the Fort Laramie irrigation tunnel in 2019.

"The 2020 WRDA, once again, will benefit Rocky Mountain states and other parts of the West," said Family Farm Alliance Pat O'Toole, who raises sheep and cattle on the Continental Divide. "It contains important provisions that authorize new small water storage projects, provides planning assistance to states on water supply and conservation matters, enhances reservoir operations and sediment management in the Upper Missouri River and North Platte River basins, and improves invasive species and noxious weed management."

Mr. O'Toole testified before Chairman Barrasso's committee in 2019 as the ideas for the 2020 WRDA were being conceptualized.

"We thank Senator Barrasso and his committee once again for their leadership in getting this year's WRDA across the finish line," said Mr. O'Toole.

Reclamation Title

Throughout the course of the year, several western water bills and legislation related to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) were considered by Congress with the anticipation of either passing a standalone bill or adding a "Reclamation Title" to WRDA 2020. While agreement was not reached on a full Reclamation Title, provisions that both the House Natural Resources Committee and the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee reached agreement on were included in the *Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021* approved by Congress on December 21.

Specifically, the *Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021* included the following legislative provisions:

- **Bureau of Reclamation Aging Infrastructure Account** - Establishes an aging infrastructure account to fund the Bureau of Reclamation's (Reclamation's) existing maintenance program.
- **Aquifer Recharge Flexibility Act** - Provides greater flexibility for Reclamation to use its facilities for aquifer recharge (applicable west-wide, except California; the Central Valley Project has a similar authority in place).
- **WaterSMART Extension & Expansion** - Increases the authorization ceiling for the WaterSMART program by \$170 million, expands project applicant eligibility, and makes modifications to project eligibility, prioritization, and cost sharing, including prioritizing projects developed through a collaborative process among water users and other stakeholders that enhance drought resilience.
- **Cooperative Watershed Management Program** - Reauthorizes for 5 years Reclamation's Cooperative Watershed Management Program, which provides grant funding to watershed groups to encourage diverse stakeholders to form local solutions to address their water management needs, and adds representatives from "disadvantaged communities" as eligible participants of a watershed group.
- **Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration** - Establishes an aquatic ecosystem restoration program at the Department of the Interior at \$15 million annually for 5 years that will help fund projects to improve the health of fisheries, wildlife, and aquatic habitat.
- **Snow Water Supply Forecasting** - Authorizes \$15 million for a Snow Water Supply Forecasting program at the Department of the Interior to provide more accurate data about expected runoff that will allow improved water system operations.
- **Water Technology Investment** - Increases the authorization for desalination research at Reclamation from \$3 million to \$20 million annually to provide additional resources to study brine management.

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The Family Alliance was engaged as all of these provisions and related legislation were developed and several Alliance representatives testified before committees in support of many of the bills during the 116th Congress.

Energy and Water Development Appropriations

The Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, which was included in the *Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021*, funds the Corps and the Reclamation programs, as well as the Department of Energy and other related agencies. The FY2021 bill provides \$49.5 billion in discretionary funding, \$1.1 billion above the FY2020 enacted level. Most of the money in the bill, however, goes to Department of Energy defense and non-defense programs. Funding for the Corps (\$7.8 billion) and Reclamation (\$1.67 billion) combine to make up just over 19 percent of total spending in the bill.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

The bill provides \$7.8 billion, an increase of \$145 million above the FY2020 level for the Corps, including: \$153 million for Investigations; \$2.69 billion for Construction (including \$100 million for Environmental Infrastructure projects); and \$3.85 billion for Operation and Maintenance.

Among other things, the bill also provides \$14.2 million to launch the Corps' Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) loan program – supported by the Family Farm Alliance – which will allow the Corps to provide up to \$1 billion in low-interest, long-term loans to non-federal water infrastructure projects nationwide. This initial appropriation is limited to safety of dams work on non-federal dams.

Department of Interior/U.S. Bureau of Reclamation

The bill provides Reclamation with \$1.67 billion, an increase of \$10 million above the FY2020 level and \$542 million above the President's budget request. Importantly, the bill provides \$559 million in additional funding for water resources projects, including those authorized in the *Water*

Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act.

WIIN Act storage projects named in the bill for study/preconstruction/construction funding, as requested by the Department of the Interior in June and December 2020 letters to Congress, included the following:

- \$206 million - Friant-Kern Canal Capacity Correction Project (CA)
- \$13.7 million - Sites Reservoir Project (CA)
- \$12.88 million - Boise River Basin – Anderson Ranch Dam Raise Project (ID)
- \$11.945 million - Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Project (CA)
- \$3 million - Cle Elum Pool Raise (WA)
- \$3 million - Delta Mendota Canal Subsidence Correction Project (CA)
- \$1.5 million - Del Puerto Water District Project (CA)
- \$1.7 million - San Luis Low Point Improvement Project (CA)
- \$870,000 - Sacramento Regional Water Bank (CA)

Previous WIIN Act funding of \$4.55 million for the

Friant-Kern Canal project contributed to the November 2020 green-lighting of the repair of a 33-mile stretch of the canal that has lost over half of its original capacity to convey water due to subsidence—a sinking of the earth from groundwater extraction. Reclamation also delivered the final feasibility report for the project to Congress in July 2020. The federal commitment in this legislation of \$206 million will allow construction to begin in early 2021. Friant Water Authority (FWA) spokesperson Johnny Amaral told *The Sentinel* (Hanford, CA) that bidding to do the \$480



Shasta Dam (CALIFORNIA).
Photo Courtesy of U.S. Bureau of Reclamation

million water works project will open in January and construction will begin in spring. FWA is contributing a local share of the project cost.

Various WIIN Act recycling and desalination projects were also named for funding in the bill, as recommended by Interior. The bill includes \$55.88 million for the Central Valley Project Restoration Fund, and \$33 million for California Bay-Delta Restoration.

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Reclamation FY 21 Funding (Cont'd from Pg. 3)

The bill also allocates additional funding for ongoing work, including \$255.1 million provided under the bill for Water Conservation and Delivery. Of this amount, \$134 million was added for the WIIN Act authorized storage account, \$8 million for feasible Reclamation water conveyance restoration projects, \$20 million for aquifer storage and recovery projects in the Great Plains Region, and \$40 million for water conservation and banking or infrastructure in extended drought-affected areas. Of the additional \$42.5 million in environmental restoration funding, \$40 million is for Endangered Species Act species restoration.

“Reclamation must provide Congress with a spending plan for selected projects no later than 45 days after enactment,” said Mark Limbaugh, with The Ferguson Group, who worked closely with House and Senate water committees in this Congress on behalf of the Alliance in these matters.

Reclamation’s WaterSMART program received a significant boost in funding relative to the budget request, and about the same levels received in FY2020. The bill allocates \$55 million to WaterSMART grant programs, \$5.2 million for basin studies and \$4 million drought responses and comprehensive drought plans. The bill further allocates \$63 million for Title XVI water reclamation and water reuse projects west wide, including \$20 million to WIIN Act authorized water reuse projects.

The bill also allows a transfer of funds from the Western Area Power Administration to the Bureau of Reclamation for environmental stewardship and endangered species recovery purposes.

Four Years of Western Water Infrastructure Progress

President Trump’s signature on the *Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021* is the culmination of four years of the Trump Administration’s commitment to improve the reliability of water delivery for the American West by investing in infrastructure. Over the past four years, Reclamation has implemented provisions of the WIIN Act to modernize existing water infrastructure, enhance storage capacity and protect species and habitats in the western United States. For fiscal years 2017-2020, Congress supported over \$300 million for study and construction of storage projects requested by the Trump Administration.

“President Trump directed Reclamation to focus on water infrastructure in the western United States, and we have done just that,” said Reclamation Commissioner Brenda Burman. “This is the most significant investment in new water storage infrastructure in decades. We are very proud to have delivered on our promise to make water deliveries more reliable for farms, families, communities and the environment.”

The Family Farm Alliance spent considerable time working with Reclamation on water infrastructure policy in the past four years, in addition to testifying before committees and working on WRDA and the components of the Reclamation title in the 116th Congress.

“We counting this as a big win for Western water,” said Alliance executive director Dan Keppen. “I’d like to thank our members who worked with us over the past two years on committee testimony, comment letters, and phone calls to Members and their staff to help make this a success.”



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Biden Announces Environment Cabinet/Climate Advisor Choices

The Electoral College formalized Joe Biden's victory in the 2020 presidential race earlier this month, with electors gathering in each state to cast their votes. Mr. Biden's electors voted without incident throughout the day in states where President Donald Trump and his supporters have contested the results. On January 6, 2021, a joint session of Congress will count the 538 electoral votes and declare the final results of the November 3, 2020 presidential election.

President-elect Joe Biden is moving towards inauguration apparently unfazed and has formally announced several key picks for top agriculture, energy, environment, and climate change jobs critically important to Western irrigated agriculture. They include Tom Vilsack returning to the role of Secretary of Agriculture, Rep. Deb Haaland (D-NM) for Secretary of the Interior; former Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm for Secretary of Energy; North Carolina DEQ head Michael Regan for Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator; Brenda Mallory for Chair of the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ); Natural Resources Defense Council head Gina McCarthy as White House domestic climate czar; and Ali Zaidi, advisor to NY Gov. Andrew Cuomo, as Ms. McCarthy's deputy.



Rep. Deb Haaland (D-NEW MEXICO), President-elect Joe Biden's pick for Secretary of the Interior. Photo source: New York Times

Reaction from the Left

Environmental organizations and progressive Democrats have enthusiastically praised most of Mr. Biden's picks.

Green New Deal architect Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.) told reporters that she was excited to see how Mr. Biden's picks would craft U.S. climate policy.

"I'm over the moon right now," she said, according to media reports. "I think the Biden climate appointments, they represent progress, real progress, so I'm really excited. I'm so thrilled."

Mr. Biden's appointment of Deb Haaland as Interior Secretary – advocated for by progressive Democrats like Rep. Raul Grijalva (D-ARIZONA) in Congress – was proof positive that the President-elect would fulfill his campaign pledges on environmental justice.

"I think it's a tremendous change in our political moment," said Jean Su, the energy justice lead for the Center for Biological Diversity, one of the most litigious environmental groups in the West. "I think it's reflected in the choice of the vice

president, and I think it's carefully reflected in Cabinet positions."

Biden Cabinet Takes Shape

Here's where things currently stand in the Biden Administration leadership positions who hold sway over policy issues that impact Western farmers and ranchers.

Interior Secretary— Of all federal departments, Family Farm Alliance members likely work closest with the Department of Interior, which houses the Bureau of Reclamation, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fish and Wildlife Service, and U.S. Geologic Survey, among others.

President-elect Biden has selected Congresswoman Deb Haaland, a Democrat from New Mexico to lead the Interior Department. Ms. Haaland would be the first Native American to lead Interior, giving tribes a choice seat at the table on Western water management matters.

"Her perspective as a Pueblo Indigenous person understands that water is a multiuse resource — not just for oil and gas, not just for agriculture, but culturally, spiritually and ceremonially, it's a

resource that we identify," said Julia Bernal of the Pueblo Action Alliance in New Mexico. "That voice is important to shift the paradigm."

Ms. Haaland participated in anti-pipeline protests at the Standing Rock reservation in 2016. She also supports the Green New Deal and served on the House Select Committee on the Climate Crisis.

"As our country faces the impacts of climate change and environmental injustice, the Interior Department has a role to address these challenges, the president-elect's goals, driven by justice and empowering communities who have shouldered the burdens of environmental negligence, and we will ensure that the decisions at Interior will once again be driven by science," she said after Mr. Biden's nomination announcement.

Secretary of Agriculture – The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) seeks to provide leadership on food, agriculture, natural resources, rural development, nutrition, and related issues based on public policy, the best available science, and effective management. Family Farm Alliance members work most closely with the Natural Resources Conservation

President-elect Biden's Cabinet Takes Shape (*Cont'd from Page 5*)

Service (NRCS), a USDA agency that works in close partnerships with farmers and ranchers, local and state governments, and other federal agencies to maintain healthy and productive working landscapes. Farm Bill conservation programs administered by NRCS can provide useful tools for Western farmers and ranchers.

Tom Vilsack, President-elect Biden's nominee for Secretary of Agriculture, served in this same position for eight years in the Obama administration. He's also a former governor of Iowa. Although he was a top rural and agriculture policy adviser during Mr. Biden's presidential campaign, he was not apparently keen to come back to the position. President-elect Biden convinced him to return.

"He wasn't looking for this job, but I was persistent," Mr. Biden said. "I asked him to serve again in this role because he knows USDA inside and out."

Mr. Vilsack's top priority for USDA next year will be pandemic relief for hungry families, rural communities, food workers and agriculture producers. Climate change will also be high on the list, and he has stated on multiple occasions that he supports paying farmers for climate-friendly practices like sequestering carbon in fields and forests.

EPA Administrator - The mission of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is to protect human health and the environment. EPA's purpose, in part, is to ensure that federal laws protecting human health and the environment are enforced "fairly and effectively". The agency also works to ensure that environmental protection is an integral consideration in U.S. policies concerning natural resources, agriculture, and other sectors. Clean Water Act policies deriving from EPA can have significant consequences for Western producers.

EPA under President Obama drove a vigorous effort to rewrite U.S. environmental policy through administrative rule-making efforts, some of which raised concerns of potentially harmful implications for Western farmers and ranchers.

President-elect Biden has selected Michael Regan, head of North Carolina's Department of Environmental Quality, as EPA Administrator, who would be the first black man to lead EPA. Mr. Regan has served in a number of roles over the course of a decade during the Clinton and George W. Bush administrations, including as national program manager for the agency's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards. Mr. Regan also oversees the state's climate change interagency council, a working group of state agencies set up to meet that goal. In 2018 he created an environmental justice and equity board at the state's environmental agency, according to the *New York Times*.

California air regulatory chief Mary Nichols early on was seen as front runner to run EPA, but environmental justice is a key priority of the Biden-Harris team. Some political observers believe that Biden and Vice-President elect Kamela Harris are living up to campaign promises by picking cabinet members with strong backgrounds in environmental justice.

White House CEQ Chair - The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) established the Council on Environmental Quality in 1970 within the Executive Office of the President. NEPA has wide-ranging implications associated with planning and permitting of Western water and conservation projects. CEQ oversees Federal agency NEPA implementation and develops and recommends national policies to the President that promote the improvement of environmental quality and meet the Nation's goals.

President-elect Joe Biden has picked Obama administration alum Brenda Mallory to lead CEQ, where she will join Gina McCarthy (Biden's "Domestic Climate Coordinator") and former Secretary of State John Kerry, who Mr. Biden has named as his "climate envoy". Ms. Mallory recently wrote as part of the Climate 21 Project - which provided recommendations for how the Biden Administration could apply all of the federal government to address climate change - that redoing NEPA rules should be tackled in the first 100 days of the new administration, according to *E&E News*. She currently is director of regulatory policy at the Southern Environmental Law Center, an advocacy and litigation group.

Senate Confirmation

Vilsack, Haaland, Granholm, Regan and Mallory will each require Senate confirmation. Mr. Vilsack, who largely avoided major controversy during his tenure in the Obama Administration, faces an expected easy path to Senate confirmation, with support from Republican Senators like fellow Iowan Chuck Grassley, who has offered to support Mr. Vilsack during confirmation proceedings.

Republicans have indicated that they may put up a fight over some of the other nominees. Ms. Haaland's nomination is one that could be held up by Senate Republicans, like John Barrasso (R-WYOMING), who currently chairs the Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee but next year will be the top Republican on the Energy and Natural Resources (ENR) Committee. If incumbent Georgia Senators Kelly Loeffler and David Perdue win their runoff elections in January 2021, the GOP will retain their Senate majority and Mr. Barrasso will chair ENR. That committee will be responsible for considering Ms. Haaland and Ms. Granholm for confirmation.

"It's not going to be a garden party if the Republicans are in the majority. These nominees are going to have to run the gantlet," Senator Barrasso told *Fox News*.

Sen. Kevin Cramer (R-NORTH DAKOTA) sits on EPW, the committee which will oversee the nomination process for Mr. Regan and Ms. Mallory. He told *Fox Business* that there would be "a bit of a brawl" over nominees. Even if Republicans lose the Senate, Senator Cramer believes that the numerous conservative judges and justices the Senate confirmed during President Trump's term would factor in, as well.

"We are in a better situation should we have to litigate against this administration," Senator Cramer said.

Save the Date!

Family Farm Alliance 2021 “Virtual” Annual Meeting

We hope you will join the Family Farm Alliance (virtually, that is) on February 18-19, 2021, to learn how Western agricultural water users are working with their communities, federal and state governments, investors and NGOs to shore up their water reliability.

The 2021 Family Farm Alliance annual conference originally scheduled to be held in Reno (NEVADA) at that time will now be a virtual event, conducted via a ZOOM meeting platform. This decision by the Alliance board of directors was made after careful consideration of all options.

"With the global COVID pandemic, and the associated uncertainty that surrounds us during this difficult time, the board decided it was not in the best interest of our attendees to move forward with an on-location event," said Alliance President Patrick O'Toole, who operates a sheep and cattle ranch in Wyoming.

The 2021 conference will consist of two morning ZOOM sessions planned for Thursday, February 18 and Friday, February 19. The 30-minute 2021 annual ZOOM meeting is scheduled for members only on noon (Pacific) on February 18th.

"The 2021 program will include a mix of departing Trump Administration water officials, incoming Biden Administration advisors, and experts who will provide updates on Western wildlife and forest health, climate change policy, and environmental markets," said Alliance executive director Dan Keppen. "The program will also feature some Alliance conference traditions, including the Bureau of Reclamation Roundtable and the Capitol Hill Update."

More information - including registration and sponsorship opportunities, and a program agenda- are being developed and will be shared with Alliance membership and the public in the coming weeks.

Reclamation issues Truckee Canal repair-plan decision

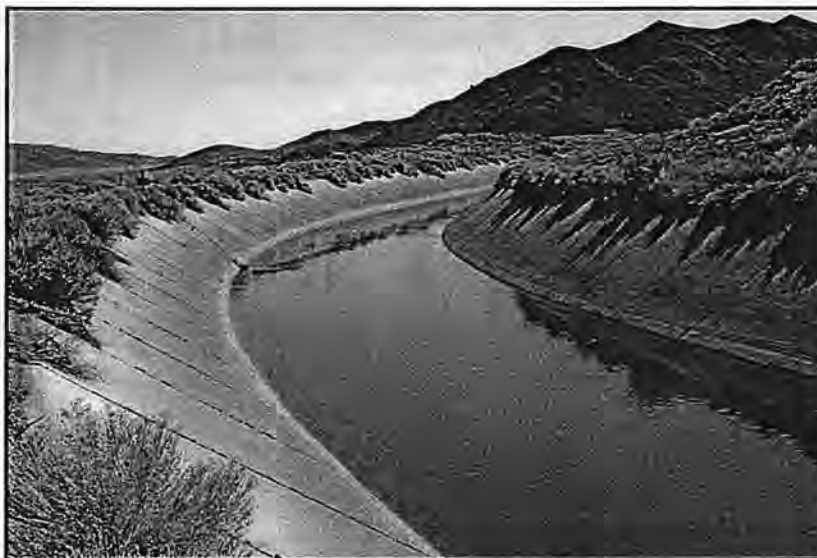
The Bureau of Reclamation signed a Record of Decision today on the plan to address structural repairs associated with long-term operations of the Truckee Canal. Built between 1903 and 1905, the canal is part of the Newlands Project, one of Reclamation's oldest and first-of-its-kind conveyance projects in the country.

The canal originates at the Derby Diversion Dam on the Truckee River, around 20 miles east of Reno, and ends 31 miles later at Lahontan Reservoir. The Newlands Project delivers water to about 59,000 acres of lands with water rights through a system of nearly 70 miles of main canals, 300 miles of canal laterals and 350 miles of drains.

"By signing this Record of Decision, the Truckee Carson Irrigation District will be able to move forward with needed Truckee Canal repairs," said Lahontan Area Office Manager Terri Edwards. "This is essential to safely restoring long-term canal operations."

The canal improvements identified include embankment repairs, structural enhancements such as replacing check structures, and lining additional canal segments. A check

structure acts like a small dam within a canal. The gates can be closed, raising the water level behind the check structure to reach necessary water delivery levels.



Truckee Carson Canal (NEVADA) Photo courtesy of BOR

"The Truckee Canal represents the very heart and soul of the Newlands Federal Reclamation Project," said Truckee-Carson Irrigation District Manager Rusty Jardine, who is a member of the Family Farm Alliance Advisory Committee. "It is the primary means by which water is conveyed to water right holders in the Fernley area and serves to supplement the water supply in the Lahontan Valley (Fallon area) by diversion at Lahontan Dam. We look forward to affecting canal improvements that will benefit all those depend-

ing upon that most essential resource: water!"

The canal is currently operated at a lower stage, or height of water, until improvements are completed. The 1996 operation and maintenance contract with the TCID requires Reclamation to evaluate the district's request to improve the canal's structural integrity.

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Huge Coronavirus Relief Package Signed into Law

As millions of doses of coronavirus vaccines were being shipped across the country, President Trump finally signed a \$900 billion coronavirus relief package into law, as part of a massive \$2.3 trillion deal to fund the federal government through September 30, 2021 and provide long-sought coronavirus relief. The deal, titled the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 (H.R. 133), ties the \$900 billion relief package to the \$1.4 trillion FY 2021 appropriations omnibus package (see related story, Page 1). It was the seventh coronavirus relief package passed by Congress and signed into law this year.

The coronavirus relief package and other spending measures along with additional extraneous legislation, passed by a vote of 359-53. The Senate passed the bill 92-6. President Trump signed the bill into law.

The new relief package should provide some welcome relief. Nearly 8 million Americans have fallen into poverty since June according to a recent study released by the University of Chicago and the University of Notre Dame.

"The entire decline in poverty through June can be accounted for by the one-time stimulus checks the federal government issued, predominantly in April and May, and the expansion of unemployment insurance eligibility and benefits. In fact, in absence of these programs, poverty would have risen sharply," the researchers wrote.

The stimulus checks and enhanced unemployment benefits helped reduce poverty from 10.9 percent before the pandemic to 9.3 percent through March, April, and May. But the expiration of this assistance has thrown more households into poverty even as the unemployment rate declined.

The package does not include additional direct aid for state and local governments to cover lost revenue and other COVID-related expenditures. However, additional funding was approved to support emergency rental assistance, testing and tracing, and child development block grant programs, for example, which will trickle down to local governments. Importantly, the package extends the use, by states and localities, of CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) from December 30, 2020, to December 31, 2021.

The bill would set aside \$13 billion for direct payments, purchases, and loans to farmers and ranchers hurt by the coronavirus pandemic. Another \$13 billion will be used to support nutrition programs and \$7 billion will go towards broadband infrastructure. The Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) will be expanded, and more support will be provided for specialty and non-specialty crop growers.

"We're pleased that Congress understands the toll the pandemic continues to take on farmers, ranchers and rural Americans," said American Farm Bureau Federation President Zippy Duvall. "Farmers who were left out of previous aid packages or whose losses were far more devastating than recognized in initial aid are grateful that their families will be helped, too. We recognize the need is great across our entire economy and farm families will join the rest of America in our determination to recover from the hardships caused by the COVID-19 pandemic."

Livestock producers will be eligible to receive 80 percent of their losses incurred due to canceled or delayed orders. The latest round of aid also provides \$20 per planted acre for both specialty and non-specialty crop growers.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and NOAA Fisheries Finalize Regulatory Definition of Habitat Under Endangered Species Act

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) have finalized a regulatory definition of the term "habitat" that will be used for designating critical habitat under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). The definition is part of the efforts of the Trump Administration to balance effective, science-based conservation with common-sense policy designed to bring the ESA into the 21st century.

"Given that this will improve implementation of the Endangered Species Act and how stakeholders engage with it, we are very happy to announce this final definition of habitat," said Fish and Wildlife Service Director Aurelia Skipwith. "We look forward to continuing to improve and streamline regulations that support more effective conservation and inspired partnerships."

The final definition of habitat is, "For the purposes of designating critical habitat only, habitat is the abiotic and biotic setting that currently or periodically contains the resources and conditions necessary to support one or more life processes of a species." This definition explicitly limits the term

habitat to apply only to critical habitat designations under the ESA, and no previously finalized critical habitat designations will be reevaluated as a result of its establishment.

More than three years ago, the Department of the Interior and the Department of Commerce began considering improvements to the regulations the federal government uses to implement the ESA to make them more efficient and effective. Last year, the Service finalized regulatory changes to section 4 of the ESA dealing with the listing, delisting and critical habitat, and to section 7 consultation processes. Working with Western water managers and attorneys, the Family Farm Alliance developed formal comments for each of these rulemaking efforts.

"Given the nature of water storage and delivery, Western farmers and ranchers are often directly impacted by the implementation of the ESA and other federal laws," said Alliance executive director Dan Keppen. "We strongly support this administration's efforts to reform the ESA and its implementing regulations to provide clearer direction to the agencies in applying and enforcing the law."

New Research on Stressors to Pacific Coast Salmon

Levees, dams and pumped diversions are often pointed to by critics of irrigated agriculture as primary reasons for the decline of salmon in some Western watersheds. Three studies recently released find that tainted urban stormwater runoff, commercial fishing, and ocean conditions are other stressors impacting West Coast salmon populations.

In a breakthrough paper published in the December 3rd issue of *Science*, a team of researchers revealed the culprit behind the deaths of coho in an estimated 40% of the Puget Sound area — a killer so lethal it takes out 40 to 90% of returning coho to some urban streams before they spawn. It is a killer hidden in plain sight: tires.

6PPD-quinone, a chemical derived from a preservative that helps tires last longer, was found by researchers to transform into a substance that is highly toxic to coho when it interacts with ozone in the atmosphere. The tire dust is in roadway runoff that can find its way into urban streams when it rains.

Dan Kent is executive director of Salmon Safe, a non-profit that certifies products made in a manner that is better for salmon. He told the *Seattle Times* he sees a ripe target and ready market for salmon-safe tires.

"We're definitely interested, we have just been waiting for these findings," he said.

Another study, published by British Columbia scientist David Welch for the Bonneville Power Administration, puts the blame for poor returns of adult Snake River spring and fall chinook salmon on conditions in the Pacific Ocean instead of Snake River dams and argues chinook runs from California to Alaska have suffered similar declines. Welch's

work, published in the journal "Fish and Fisheries," argues since chinook runs in rivers with pristine freshwater habitat and those with highly degraded habitat have suffered similar declines, the problem must be in the ocean.

Efforts to recover the fish should concentrate on the ocean and not on freshwater, Welch told the *Lewiston Tribune* (IDAHO) last month.

"I'm not looking to stir the pot for no reason. I think there are some serious public policy questions here," he said. "The first one is are we even going in the right direction with management of salmon, and I'm not convinced we are. I'm deeply concerned we may well be on the wrong path."

Finally, the Center for California Water Resources Policy and Management recently published an essay that suggests ongoing impacts to Central Valley Chinook salmon from California's ocean harvest are unparalleled among salmon stocks on the West Coast. The viability of Central Valley fall-run, winter-run, and spring-run Chinook populations are threatened by multiple factors. However, ocean

harvest appears to be contributing much more substantially than has been recognized by biologists, resource managers, and policy makers who have tended to focus on inland habitat conditions.

"California's ongoing and intensive 'mixed-stock' ocean fishery almost certainly exerts strong selective pressure against delayed maturity among Chinook salmon," wrote Bradley Cavallo, Vice President and Principal Scientist with Cramer Fish Sciences. "Modernizing California's harvest and hatchery management to reduce those impacts would substantially enhance viability of winter-run and spring-run Chinook, and help to avoid a potential listing of Central Valley fall-run Chinook."



A coho salmon, left, and a Chinook swim past viewing windows at a fish ladder at the Ballard Locks in Seattle. (AP Photo/Elaine Thompson)

70 Groups Sign Letter to President-elect Biden on Ocean Policy

The National Ocean Policy Coalition (NOPC) earlier this month transmitted a letter to President-elect Biden requesting support for collaborative, transparent, and balanced multi-use ocean policies that support economic and environmental goals and help achieve mutual desires for greater economic prosperity and job creation, including through a vibrant "Blue Economy".

"Sound science, fact-based information, and transparency are essential to effective decision-making, including for ocean-related sectors that contribute trillions of dollars to the U.S. economy and support tens of millions of jobs," the letter stated. "In that regard, as to your pledge to take executive action

to protect 30% of America's lands and waters by 2030, we urge the administration to take into account the conservation benefits provided under existing federal and state laws and initiatives and establish tools for effective engagement with the private sector."

The letter was signed by 70 groups - including the Family Farm Alliance- representing a wide array of commercial and recreational interests from across the United States.

The Alliance testified before two Congressional committees in 2017 on the state of the National Ocean Policy and the program's interaction with existing laws and regulations for ocean management.

Trump Administration EPA to Clarify Supreme Court *Maui* Ruling

A draft memo from Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Assistant Administrator for the Office of Water David Ross appears to provide some clarity to industry follow the Supreme Court opinion in *County of Maui v. Hawaii Wildlife Fund*, on how permits would be required under the Clean Water Act (CWA) for pollution that moves through groundwater.

The Family Farm Alliance was part of a group of eight national agriculture organizations that joined in an *amicus curiae* ("friend of the court") brief that was transmitted to the U.S. Supreme Court for this case in May 2019. This *amicus* effort was intended to protect routine agricultural operations from a potentially limitless expansion of the CWA National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program.

"The upshot could be endless third-party lawsuits regarding the application and scope of ag-related exemptions in the CWA," said Alliance General Counsel Norm Semanko.

In the opinion, the Supreme Court justices said such a determination hinges on several factors, including time and the distance the pollution travels, as well as the nature of the material through which the contaminants move. Some indirect

paths, the court wrote, may have the ability to dilute or chemically alter pollution that travels through them. The Court added the term "functional equivalent" as a test whether pollutants moving through groundwater to CWA jurisdictional "navigable waters" are a direct discharge into such waters.

The draft memo offers several recommendations to the regulated community and permitting authorities on how to implement the *Maui* opinion as part of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program.

EPA may be preparing for lawsuits over permitting decisions made under the new guidance.

"Many of the changes appear to be aimed at bolstering the record for potential legal challenges, as EPA has provided additional legal and technical support for many of its statements," said Ashley Peck, a partner at the law firm Holland & Hart, in a recent interview with *E&E News*. "The guidance now also has added discussion of the agency's significant technical discretion and expertise in administering the NPDES program, further suggesting preparation for future legal challenges."

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