

## AGENDA

### Special Meeting of the BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1

will be held at 3:00 P.M., Wednesday, May 29, 2019

at 1070 Faraday Street, Santa Ynez, Ca. - Conference Room

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. REPORT BY THE SECRETARY TO THE BOARD REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS FOR POSTING OF THE AGENDA
- IV. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 16, 2019
- V. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS, IF ANY, TO THE AGENDA
- VI. 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.
- VII. 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. Status of WR 89-18 Above Narrows Account
  - CA-3. Report on State Water Project - Central Coast Water Authority Activities
  - CA-4. Status of State Water Resources Control Board Permits, Environmental Compliance and Hearings Update
  - CA-5. National Marine Fisheries Service - September 7, 2000 Biological Opinion for Cachuma Project Continuing Operations
  - CA-6. Cachuma Project and Water Service Contract Update
  - CA-7. Update on Security Measures for Water Utilities
- VIII. MANAGER'S REPORT - STATUS, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE BOARD ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:
  - A. DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION - (Est. 1 Hour)
    1. Board of Trustees Reorganization
      - a) Selection of Officers - President & Vice President
    2. Financial Report on Administrative Matters
      - a) Presentation of Monthly Financial Statements - Revenues and Expenses
      - b) Approval of Accounts Payable
    3. Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget
    4. Setting the Appropriation Limit for the 2019/2020 Fiscal Year - Article XIII B (Proposition 13)
      - a) California Department of Finance Calculations for 2019/2020 Appropriation Limitations
      - b) Review of Draft Resolutions to be presented for adoption at the June 18, 2019 Board Meeting
        1. Draft Resolution 7XX: *A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1 Establishing the Appropriation Limit for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Pursuant to Article XIII B of the California Constitution*
        2. Draft Resolution 7XX: *A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1 Adopting the 2019-2020 Budget and Requesting an Assessment Levy Required to Collect \$875,000 for Contract Obligations*

- c) Authorization to Post Notice and Make Public the 2019/2020 Appropriation Limitation Calculation

5. Personnel Policy

- a) Resolution No. 786 – *A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1* Adopting changes to the Personnel Policy Manual

**B. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE**

- 1. Upland Water Well 29 – Update
  - a) Ratification of Change Order No. 1 and 2
  - b) Notice of Completion
- 2. Water Line Replacement Project – Phase 2
  - a) Notice of Exemption

**IX. REPORT, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE BOARD ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS: (Est. ½ Hour)**

**A. Cachuma Project – U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Continuing Operations**

- 1. Cachuma Project Water Service Contract No. I75r-1802R, Water Deliveries, Exchange Agreement, Entitlement, Water Storage, Accounting, Water Supply Projections

**B. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act**

- 1. Eastern Management Area Update

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

**XI. CORRESPONDENCE: GENERAL MANAGER RECOMMENDS THE ITEMS NOT MARKED WITH AN ASTERISK (\*) FOR FILE**

**XII. 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.

**XIII. NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:** The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for **June 18, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.**

**XIV. CLOSED SESSION -** The Board will hold a closed session to discuss the following items:

**A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION**

[Subdivision (d)(1) of Section 54956.9 of the Government Code – 4 cases]

- 1. Name of Case: Adjudicatory proceedings pending before the State Water Resources Control Board regarding Permits 11308 and 11310 issued on Applications 11331 and 11332 to the United States Bureau of Reclamation and complaints filed by the California Sport fishing Protection Alliance regarding the operating of the Cachuma Project and State Board Orders WR73-37, 89-18 and 94-5; and proposed changes to the place of use of waters obtained through aforementioned permits for the Cachuma Project
- 2. 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 regarding petitions for change and extension of time and protests to the petitions
- 3. Name of Case: Santa Barbara Superior Court Case No. 18CV05437, Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1 v. Holland, et al.

4. Name of Case: Santa Barbara Superior Court Case No. 19CV01873, Cachuma Operation and Maintenance Board v. Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1

**XV. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION**

[Sections 54957.1 and 54957.7 of the Government Code]

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

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This Agenda was posted at 3622 Sagunto Street, Santa Ynez, California and notice was delivered in accordance with Government Code Section 54954. 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 to 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.

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT     **Agenda Item IV.**  
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1  
APRIL 16, 2019 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, April 16, 2019 in the Conference Room at 1070 Faraday Street, Santa Ynez.

Trustees Present:	Harlan Burchardi	Michael Burchardi	
	Brad Joos	Jeff Clay	
Trustees Absent:	None		
Others Present:	Paeter Garcia	Mary Martone	Karen King
	Gary Kvistad	Eric Tambini	Brett Marryme
	Bruce Porter	Frances Komoroske	Kevin Crossley
	Jay Freeman	Brian Schultz	

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:**

Vice President Clay called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m., he stated this was a Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Mrs. Martone reported that four members of the Board were present.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Vice President Clay led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. REPORT BY THE SECRETARY TO THE BOARD REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS FOR POSTING OF THE AGENDA:**

Mrs. 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 Resolution No. 340 of the District. The affidavit was filed as evidence of the posting of the agenda items contained therein.

**IV. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 19, 2019:**

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 19, 2019 were presented for consideration.

Vice President Clay asked if there were any changes or additions to the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 19, 2019. There were no corrections or additions requested.

It was MOVED by Trustee H. Burchardi, seconded by Trustee Joos and carried by a unanimous 4-0-0 voice vote, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 19, 2019 as presented.

**V. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF MARCH 26, 2019:**

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of March 26, 2019 were presented for consideration.

Vice President Clay asked if there were any changes or additions to the Special Meeting Minutes of March 26, 2019. There were no corrections or additions requested.

It was MOVED by Trustee H. Burchardi, seconded by Trustee Joos and carried by a unanimous 4-0-0 voice vote, to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of March 26, 2019 as presented.

**VI. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS, IF ANY, TO THE AGENDA:**

There were no additions or corrections.

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mr. Brian Schultz provided comments to the Board.

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1 **VIII. CONSENT AGENDA:**

2 The Consent Agenda report was provided in the Board packet.

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4 Mr. Paeter Garcia, District Legal Counsel, reviewed the information included in the Consent  
5 Agenda Report for the month of April.

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7 It was **MOVED** by Trustee H. Burchardi, seconded by Trustee M. Burchardi and carried by a  
8 unanimous 4-0-0 voice vote to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

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10 **IX. MANAGER'S REPORT - STATUS, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE BOARD ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING**  
11 **SUBJECTS:**

12 **A. DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION:**

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14 1. Board of Trustees Reorganization

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16 a) Notice of Vacancy

17 Mr. Garcia reported on the vacancy for the Division 3 Trustee position. He indicated  
18 that a vacancy for the Division 3 Trustee position has occurred due to Mr. Kevin Walsh  
19 resigning his Division 3 Trustee position effective April 1, 2019. Mr. Garcia explained  
20 that the resignation prompts certain procedural steps that must be followed to fill the  
21 vacancy. He reported that the Santa Barbara County Elections Office must be notified  
22 that a vacancy has occurred within 15 days of the effective date of the vacancy. He  
23 stated that ID No.1 sent written notification of the vacancy on April 12, 2019 to both the  
24 Elections Office and the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District (Parent District).  
25 Mr. Garcia explained that the Parent District Board of Directors is tasked with making  
26 the appointment for the vacant ID No.1 position. Mr. Garcia outlined the steps that will  
27 occur in the near future related to posting the public notice of vacancy, the application  
28 process, and selection and appointment by the Parent District Board of Directors. The  
29 public notice of vacancy will be posted at least 15 days prior to the public meeting to be  
30 held where the Parent District Board of Directors will make the appointment. He stated  
31 that once the Parent District Board of Directors makes their appointment, the last step  
32 in the process is to inform the Santa Barbara County Elections within 15 days of the  
33 appointment. Mr. Garcia explained that the person selected to fill the vacancy will serve  
34 until a Division 3 Trustee is elected and qualified as part of the next general election  
35 which is scheduled for November 2020.

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37 b) Appointment of Representatives to Participating Agencies & Organizations

38 Mr. Garcia stated that the Division 3 vacancy impacts Board representation to certain  
39 participating agencies and organizations, and thus there is a need to select new  
40 representatives. He indicated that Trustees will need to be selected to represent ID No.1  
41 on the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Eastern Management  
42 Agency and the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA).

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44 After Board discussion, it was **MOVED** by Trustee Clay, seconded by Trustee M.  
45 Burchardi and carried by a unanimous 4-0-0 voice vote to designate Trustee Brad Joos  
46 as the ID No.1 representative for SGMA Eastern Management Agency.

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48 It was **MOVED** by Trustee Joos, seconded by Trustee M. Burchardi and carried by a  
49 unanimous 4-0-0 voice vote to designate Trustee Jeff Clay as the ID No.1 representative  
50 for Association of California Water Agency (ACWA).

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52 Mr. Jay Freeman provided comment to the Board.

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54 c) Appointment of Board Ad Hoc Committees

1 Mr. Garcia reviewed the current Board representatives for certain Ad Hoc  
2 Committees. He identified the Ad Hoc Committees which require a new Board  
3 member to be assigned, including the City of Solvang, COMB, and Cachuma  
4 Contract Ad Hoc Committees.  
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6 After Board discussion, it was MOVED by Trustee Clay, seconded by Trustee M.  
7 Burchardi and carried by a unanimous 4-0-0 voice vote to appoint Trustee Brad Joos  
8 to the City of Solvang Ad Hoc Committee.  
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10 It was MOVED by Trustee M. Burchardi, seconded by Trustee Joos and carried by a  
11 unanimous 4-0-0 voice vote to appoint Trustee Jeff Clay to the COMB Ad Hoc  
12 Committee.  
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14 It was MOVED by Trustee Clay, seconded by Trustee Joos and carried by a  
15 unanimous 4-0-0 voice vote to appoint Trustee Mike Burchardi to the Cachuma  
16 Contract Ad Hoc Committee.  
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18 2. Financial Report on Administrative Matters

19 a) Presentation of Monthly Financial Statements - Revenues and Expenses

20 Mrs. Martone reviewed the Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the month of  
21 March. She reported the revenues exceeded the expenses by \$32,274.58 for the month  
22 and the year to date net income is \$1,949,027.12. Mrs. Martone reported the water sales  
23 increased by 10% from the prior month; however, water production was 168 AF less  
24 for the month which is significantly less than the 10-year running average. Mrs.  
25 Martone reported the Statement of Revenues and Expenses also reflect income from  
26 new services, capital facilities and the sale of scrap metal and increased expenses for  
27 maintenance projects as the field crew was busy with three significant mainline breaks  
28 during the month. She indicated that the year-to-date surplus revenue will be utilized  
29 to cover the District's annual State Water Project and 2004 Series A Bond payment  
30 which are due in June.  
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32 b) Approval of Accounts Payable

33 The Warrant List was provided in the handout material for Board action. The Warrant  
34 List covered warrants 22135 through 22210, for the period of March 20, 2019 through  
35 April 16, 2019 in the amount of \$474,806.74.  
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37 Ms. Frances Komoroske provided comment to the Board.  
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39 It was MOVED by Trustee Clay, seconded by Trustee M. Burchardi and carried by a 4-  
40 0-0 voice vote, to approve the Warrant List as presented.  
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42 c) Resolution No. 787 - Authorizing Signatures for Operating Account at Rabobank

43 The Board packet included draft Resolution No. 787.  
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45 Mrs. Martone explained that all checks issued by the District from the general operating  
46 account require two (2) authorized signatures for processing. She reviewed the current  
47 signatories and explained that with the recent resignation of one of the signers and  
48 availability issues that can occur with the remaining two signatories, District  
49 management, in discussion with the District's auditors, believe it would be more  
50 efficient and beneficial to increase the number of District officials authorized as  
51 signatories. She reported that Resolution 787 removes Kevin Walsh as an approved  
52 signer and designates Trustees Harlan Burchardi, Clay and Joos; as well as Chris  
53 Dahlstrom, General Manager/Treasurer and Mary Martone, Administrative

1 Manager/Secretary to the Board of Trustees as authorized signatories for the District's  
2 general operating account held at Rabobank.

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4 Mrs. Martone stated staff recommends approval of Resolution No. 787 authorizing  
5 signatures for the operating account at Rabobank.

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7 It was MOVED by Trustee Clay, seconded by Trustee H. Burchardi, to adopt Resolution  
8 No. 787 Authorizing Signatures for Operating Account at Rabobank.

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10 The Resolution was adopted and carried by the following 4-0-0 roll call vote:

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12 **AYES, Trustees:** Harlan Burchardi  
13 Michael Burchardi  
14 Brad Joos  
15 Jeff Clay

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17 **NOES, Trustees:** None

18 **ABSENT, Trustees:** None

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20 **B. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE**

21 1. Upland Water Well 29 - Update

22 Mr. Garcia reported that Mr. Eric Tambini, Water Resources Manager, will provide an  
23 update on the Water Well 29. Mr. Tambini stated the well site is complete and clean-up  
24 of the site will be finished by the end of the week. He stated water chemistry testing is  
25 occurring and is expected to be completed next week. Mr. Tambini reported the 12-hour  
26 pump test was at 950 gpm. Mr. Garcia expressed his appreciation to Mr. Tambini for  
27 coordinating the contractors and overseeing the process. The Board members concurred  
28 with compliments to Mr. Tambini.

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30 **X. REPORT, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE BOARD ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:**

31 A. Cachuma Project - U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Continuing Operations

32 1. Cachuma Project Water Service Contract No. 175r-1802R, Water Deliveries, Exchange  
33 Agreement, Entitlement, Water Storage, Accounting, Water Supply Projections

34 Mr. Garcia indicated that there was no new information to discuss under this agenda  
35 item from what was already reported under the Agenda Item VIII - Consent Agenda.

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37 B. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

38 1. Eastern Management Area Update

39 Mr. Garcia reported that the next meeting of the SGMA Eastern Management Area  
40 (EMA) Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) will be held on April 25, 2019 at 6:30  
41 p.m. He stated that he and Trustee Joos will attend the meeting. Mr. Garcia explained  
42 that, among other things, the GSA Committee will address the status of consultant work  
43 in the EMA and the involvement of a citizen advisory group. He stated that all meetings  
44 will be posted on the SYRWCD website and the public is welcome and encouraged to  
45 attend.

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47 **XI. REPORTS BY THE BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF, QUESTIONS OF STAFF, STATUS REPORTS,**  
48 **ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMMITTEE REPORTS, OBSERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS AND/OR**  
49 **COMMUNICATIONS NOT REQUIRING ACTION:**

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51 The Board packet included a March 29, 2019 letter from Mr. David Bertrand to the District re:  
52 compliments to staff.

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54 The Board packet included the Family Farm Alliance Monthly Briefing for March 2019.  
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1 Mr. Garcia stated the 2019 ACWA Spring Conference is scheduled for May 7-10, 2019 in  
2 Monterey. He provided a brief review of the conference and stated that if any of the Board  
3 Members were interested in attending to please contact Mrs. Martone so the appropriate  
4 registrations and reservations could be made.  
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6 **XII. CORRESPONDENCE: GENERAL MANAGER RECOMMENDS THE ITEMS NOT MARKED WITH AN**  
7 **ASTERISK (\*) FOR FILE:**

8 The Correspondence list was received by the Board.  
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10 **XIII. REQUESTS FOR ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED ON THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:**

11 There were no requests from the Board.  
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13 **XIV. NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:**

14 Vice President Clay stated the next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees is currently scheduled  
15 for May 21, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. Trustee Clay indicated that he would not be able to attend the May  
16 21<sup>st</sup> meeting as he would be out of town.  
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18 **XV. CLOSED SESSION:**

19 The Board adjourned at 4:48 p.m. for a brief recess. At 5:01 p.m., the Board reconvened and  
20 adjourned to closed session to discuss XV.A. 1., 2., 3. and 4.  
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22 **A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION**

23 [Subdivision (d)(1) of Section 54956.9 of the Government Code - 4 cases]

- 24 1. Name of Case: Adjudicatory proceedings pending before the State Water Resources  
25 Control Board regarding Permits 11308 and 11310 issued on Applications 11331 and  
26 11332 to the United States Bureau of Reclamation and complaints filed by the  
27 California Sport fishing Protection Alliance regarding the operating of the Cachuma  
28 Project and State Board Orders WR73-37, 89-18 and 94-5; and proposed changes to  
29 the place of use of waters obtained through aforementioned permits for the Cachuma  
30 Project  
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- 32 2. Name of Case: Adjudicatory proceedings pending before the State Water Resources  
33 Control Board regarding Permit 15878 issued on Application 22423 to the City of  
34 Solvang regarding petitions for change and extension of time and protests to the  
35 petitions  
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- 37 3. Name of Case: Santa Barbara Superior Court Case No. 18CV05437, Santa Ynez River  
38 Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1 v. Holland, et al.  
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- 40 4. Name of Case: Santa Barbara Superior Court Case No. 19CV01873, Cachuma  
41 Operation and Maintenance Board v. Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District,  
42 Improvement District No.1  
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44 **XVI. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION:**

45 [Sections 54957.1 and 54957.7 of the Government Code]

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47 The Board reconvened to open session at 6:25 p.m. Mr. Garcia, District Legal Counsel, announced  
48 there was no reportable action on Agenda items XV.A. 1., 2., 3. and 4.  
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**XVII. ADJOURNMENT:**

Being no further business, it was MOVED by Trustee M. Burchardi, seconded by Trustee Joos and carried by a unanimous 4-0-0 voice vote, to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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Mary Martone, Secretary to the Board

ATTEST:

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Jeff Clay, Vice President

MINUTES PREPARED BY:

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Karen King, Board Administrative Assistant

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**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER  
CONSERVATION DISTRICT, ID No.1  
May 29, 2019**

**Consent Agenda Report**

CA-1. Water Supply and Production Report. Overall, the water production was significantly less than the 10-year running average for the month of **April** to meet the lower demand for domestic, rural residential and agriculture water caused by winter and wet weather conditions. This is below typical of water produced for this month in past years. Water conservation by ID No.1 customers remains a major factor in overall total use. **This resulted in total water production that was 156 acre feet (AF) less for the month than the 10-year running average as shown on the Water Production Report.**

Since the 2018-19 rainfall season began on September 1, 2018, there has been 130% of rainfall recorded through April 30, 2019 at Lake Cachuma. Rainfall at the lake for the year is 127%. The USBR Daily Operations Report for Lake Cachuma in **April** recorded the lake elevation at 739.87.48' with the end of month storage of 155,414 AF compared to the end of March level of 738.48' or 151,753 AF. USBR recorded precipitation at the lake of 0.11 inches in March for a year total of 24.94 inches. The Lake storage was not supplemented with SWP water being imported by the South Coast agencies. The end of April actual Evaporation was 978.4 AF. USBR reinitiated actual evaporation being deducted from Project Carryover and SWP water effective October 1, 2017.

USBR initially allocated only a 20% water delivery for WY2018-19. ID1's prorated share is 530 AF. With conditions hydrologic and water supply conditions improving throughout this rain season through March and the lake over 70% of capacity, ***USBR re-allocated 100% deliveries to the Cachuma Member Units as of April 1, 2019.*** Currently the lake is at 80.0% of capacity. At a point when the reservoir storage exceeds 100,000 AF, the Cachuma Member Units typically received a full allocation. Conversely, a 20% reduction from the pro-rated full deliveries would occur at less than 100,000 AF and incremental reductions at other lower storage levels. These terms were superseded by USBR allocation reduction this year. The amount of Cachuma Project Exchange Water delivered was 0 AF for the month.

Fish Conservation Pool filled in 2010 to elevation 753.00' to capture approximately 9,200 AF for fish releases the year of a spill condition and the year following as is now being used. The fish Passage Supplement Account (PSA) of 3,200 AF and the Adaptive Management Account (AMA) water was reset at 500 AF. As of October 1, 2018 the AMA Fish Account was restored 3,551 AF with the lake level rebound this past winter.

There were Fish releases as incorporated in the Downstream Water Rights Releases as part of the Settlement Agreement. Below explains the reasons for the flows recorded in Hilton Creek and in the Stilling basin which are direct excerpts from the ESA Section 7 Consultation 2000 Biological Opinion issued to USBR:

NMFS 2000 Biological Opinion Requirements in a Spill Year with Surcharge

- 10 cfs at Hwy 154 Bridge - year of a spill exceeding 20,000 AF
- 1.5 cfs at Alisal Bridge - year of a spill exceeding 20,000 AF and steelhead are present at Alisal Reach
- 1.5 cfs at Alisal Bridge - year immediately following a spill exceeding 20,000 AF and if steelhead are present at Alisal Reach

NMFS 2000 Biological Opinion Requirements in a Minimal or No-Spill Year with Surcharge

- 5 cfs at Hwy 154 - less than 20,000 AF spill or No Spill and Reservoir Storage above 120,000 AF



- 2.5 cfs at Hwy 154 – in all years with Reservoir Storage below 120,000 AF but greater than 30,000 AF
- 30 AF per month to “refresh stilling basin and long pool” – less than 30,000 AF in Reservoir Storage and re-initiate consultation.

Currently, the gravity flows originating from the barge and at the outlet works through the Hilton Creek Emergency Backup System (HCEBS) travel through the Hilton Creek Watering System piping and are released directly to the diffuser box at the Upper and Lower Release Points (LRP), with delivery to *Hilton Creek for April of 177.1 AF and supplemental fish passage flows from the outlet works for the month is 230.6 AF.*

There has been **28,410.3** AF of water released as of April 31, 2019 for fish since the year after the spill in 2011. During a Downstream Water Rights release, fish water is included within the release amounts according to the settlement agreement. Once those releases concluded, “Project” water will continue to be debited although the fish water is being diverted from the Stilling Basin below Bradbury Dam. With the fish Conservation Pool rearing water account, a total of **33,094.9** AF has been released for fish during the period following the spill condition in 2011.

DWR’s initial allocation for WY2019 is 10% or 70 AF for ID1’s prorated share. In February, DWR increased the allocation to 35% or 245 AF. DWR increased the allocation to 70% in April or 490 AF for ID1. The District’s SWP “Table A” delivery was 25 acre-feet in April with accounting for the return (0 AF in November) of transferred water to the City of Solvang in an effort to avoid spill of its purchased supplemental SWP water that was stored in San Luis Reservoir in 2017.

The District’s river water supply production remains available and consistent with all licensed well fields operational. Currently, with livestream conditions downstream in accordance with WR89-18, credit in the ANA is first priority water being replenished in Cachuma and expected to be whole with the end of the inflow recession. This allows for the District to produce its full licensed amount should it be needed. The District’s Upland Groundwater well production remains operational.

**Direct diversion to USBR and the County Park was 1.89 acre-feet. For the month, 67.65 AF was produced from the Santa Ynez Upland wells. The 6.0 cfs river well field produced 0.00 AF for the month and 4.63 AF was produced from the 4.0 cfs well field.**

Santa Barbara County recorded rainfall for **April** in Santa Ynez at 0.10 inches. The average rainfall is 1.42 inches for the month and the year-to-date (September 1 to August 30) total is 18.65 inches. The Santa Ynez River watershed Antecedent Index (AI) or soil saturation remains moderately wet condition. The total rainfall in the upper watershed of the Santa Ynez River Basin above Cachuma was 32.66 inches or 125% for the year. Lake Cachuma received 127% of normal rainfall to date at the County’s rainfall gauge.

## **NEW INFORMATION BELOW IS PRESENTED IN BOLD TYPE**

### **CA-2. Status of WR 89-18 Above Narrows Account.**

**The USBR report for December 31, 2018 for the Above Narrow Account (ANA) and Below Narrows Account (BNA) shows the Above Narrow Account (ANA) and Below Narrows Account (BNA) at 10,720 AF and 615 AF, respectively. January’s report has not yet been received.**

ID No.1 staff performs field monitoring on behalf of and jointly with the Parent District and fisheries data collection during the water rights release period. Staff also conducts stream gauging to determine live-



stream events at San Lucas Creek for reporting to the SYRWCD and USBR. **Live Steam conditions exist in the SYR watershed.**

CA-3. Report on State Water Project – Central Coast Water Authority Activities. **In April, DWR increased the allocation to the State Water Contractors to 70% of delivery requests due to well above average snow pack and precipitation in the 8-station index region.** No change in deliveries are expected. DWR revised its initial allocation in February and increased the amount to 35% of deliveries requested.

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**The CCWA Board of Directors met on April 25, 2019.**

**The Board of Directors considered the controllers report and the operations report including the water delivery update.**

**The CCWA Deputy Director presented the water supply outlook with 70% revised Table “A” allocation from DWR, reported that the snowpack is at 162% of average, and described the pumping restrictions and alternative methods of delivery to Cachuma for the south coast contractors. He also explained the exchange water between La Cumbre Mutual WC and the City using ID No.1 Exchange water in the lake. There was discussion about the south coast water debt and exchange repayment.**

**The Finance Committee recommended that the Board approve the FY2018/19 third quarter investment report which was explained by the Deputy Controller. CCWA earned 2.38% through combined holdings at LAIF, Charles Schwab, and Montecito Bank and Trust.**

**CCWA presented the investment policy and those were in conformance with the Government Code. The MWD director inquired about private lending which Staff will investigate.**

**The FY2019/20 Budget was reviewed by the Board with those changes provided from the prior month. A reduction costs in the Final Budget was explained and primarily resulting from a difference in increases from DWR, Warren Act charges, and SWC water fix costs but offset by credits not opting into the DWR reserve fund.**

**Discussion took place regarding the Annual chemical Contracts and negotiations. Although the bulk of the chemical vendor costs remained consistent with prior contract costs, there is a 16.65% increase from Chemtrade due to raw material chemical cost increases that are passed on. The six contracts were approved.**

**A report was also provided on the Santa Ynez Pumping Plant and Tank Maintenance Project for road sealing and rejecting the sole bid. The Request for Bids will be re-issued.**

**Santa Maria’s new director on CCWA is Etta Waterfield.**

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**The acquisition of the 12,214 AF of Suspended SWP Water has moved forward with approval by the Board of Supervisors at a meeting in February. CCWA will continue to pursue the acquisition through DWR on behalf of the parties requesting water including the Cities of Santa Maria and Guadalupe, ID No.1, and the City of Solvang through ID No.1’s contract. DWR and the County will require reimbursement of those past costs. ID No.1’s share is estimate to be \$1.4 million based on its 500 af request. The annual cost of the water is anticipated at \$150/af plus treatments costs. The Board of Supervisors met on October 4<sup>th</sup> and did**



not approve the reacquisition of the 12,214 for Santa Maria, ID No.1 and Solvang, Guadalupe, and the newest request from Carpinteria Valley Water District. This is a setback with the Supervisors not acting in the best interest of the requesting agencies and possibly jeopardizing ID No.1's 800 AF of the last available SWP water.

The Board of Supervisors acting as the Board of Directors of the SBCFCWCD met again on November 1, 2016, heard public comments from all the participating CCWA agencies, and voted to move forward with developing an agreement with CCWA to acquire the remaining 12,214 AF on behalf of the five requesting agencies. An agreement is expected completed prior to the end of the year. A meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2016.

The Board of Supervisors approved the liability and indemnification agreement between the County and CCWA and voted 3 to 2 to move approve the reacquisition of the Suspended SWP water for the parties including ID1 that will receive 500 AF.

DWR has authorized CCWA to prepare an EIR on the suspended water reacquisition. A CEQA lead agency agreement was approved by CCWA; the county has yet to approve the agreement. Additionally, to ensure the County will move forward with the acquisition process once those participating agencies (including ID No.1) commit to funding the CEQA review, CCWA is seeking an implementation agreement with the County. The agreement terms are being negotiated between CCWA and SB County.

Board of Supervisors acting as the Board of Directors of the SBFC&WCD met on May 2, 2017 to discuss and concur with the lead agency agreement between DWR and CCWA authorizing CCWA to proceed with EIR for the suspended water reacquisition. Supervisor Williams conditioned the agreement to use this water as a mechanism to control growth by not allowing transfers or sale of this water by those parties acquiring this suspended water including ID1, the north county agencies, and the Carpinteria Valley Water District which entered this arrangement very late in the process. There was opposition to CCWA preparing the EIR and comments made to re-open the Water Supply Retention Agreement. Misinformation was presented about the reacquisition process and the SWP agreements. Following this diversion from the agenda item, the Board voted 3-2 approving CCWA as the lead agency.

The contract assignment underway between CCWA and SB County may have an effect on the Suspended Water Reacquisition timing and process.

Contract Assignment from SB County to CCWA will allow a direct interaction between the CCWA contractors with DWR for the reacquisition of SWP water.

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On August 29, 2017, CCWA provided costs and financing of the California WaterFix project, (the Twin Tunnels). The information is presented to give an idea of the estimated costs of the Cal WaterFix project for each agency as well as the financing structures being proposed to finance the project.

As of November 2017, all irrigation contractors in the Cal WaterFix have withdrawn from or substantially reduced participation. This will likely create a shift in the cost allocation and increase the acre foot costs of the project as defined and require a reevaluation of the contracting language.

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CCWA and the contracting agencies continue to work on our pursuit of the assignment of the State Water Contract from Santa Barbara County to CCWA. CCWA Board is scheduled to vote on the amendment to



the JPA agreement and the amendments to the Water Supply Agreements at its meeting on October 26, 2017. ID No.1 needs approval prior to the October 26<sup>th</sup> CCWA Board meeting. Additionally, CCWA is meeting with DWR on September 19<sup>th</sup> and hope to get more clarification from DWR on its positions regarding the assignment.

With the CCWA and its contracting agencies approval of the assignment and a Bond rating analysis, this paves the way for DWR to take action consenting to the assignment. Once this occurs prior to the end of the calendar year, it is anticipated that SB County will take action in January 2018.

The Bond Rating for CCWA was accepted by DWR in March 2018 and CCWA expects DWR's approval of the assignment.

CCWA is requesting DWR to notify SBFC&WCD indicating the assignment can move forward. The notification was expected the week of September 10, 2018.

CCWA provided notice to Santa Barbara County regarding next steps in the process following DWR's concurrence to assign.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> District Supervisor Joan Hartmann agreed to meet with representatives from CCWA, ID1, and City of Buellton on December 6, 2018 regarding the logic and benefits of Contract assignment from the County to CCWA. The one hour meeting provided an opportunity to present the positions of her constituent agencies in this region, hear the reasons for local agency contracting, and allow for questions. A follow up meeting may be scheduled before the matter goes before the Board of Supervisors in February.

#### CA-4. State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Permits, Environmental Compliance and Hearings Update

The first phase of the SWRCB continuing jurisdiction hearing on the Cachuma Project Applications 11331 and 11332 took place in November 2000 and were specific to the "Place of Use" revisions. The SWRCB continued the hearing for the Phase 2 portion which was held in October and November of 2003 and based on the SWRCB's Draft Environmental Impact Report ("EIR") released in August 2003 for the continuing operation of the Cachuma Project. Joint legal representation at this hearing involved USBR, SYRWCD, SYRWCD, ID No.1 and CCRB and the focus was proposed changes in the Cachuma Project operations based on the protection of the public trust resources - the Southern Steelhead trout, modifications to the water rights permits, and the Settlement Agreement.

Since then, the SWRCB revised the DEIR in 2007 and included two additional alternatives that could affect the hearings and decisions before the SWRCB in 2003. ID No.1 provided extensive comment during the review period as did others involved in the joint representation. In order to update the RDEIR, the SWRCB engaged Impact Sciences Inc in November 2009 to review the hearing testimony, analyze two DEIR's and provide the necessary updates, and complete to a final EIR with response to comments.

Because the SWRCB did not have adequate funding for Impact Sciences to conduct the required work, in May 2010 the SWRCB division of water rights requested that CCRB and ID No.1 provide financial assistance which was approved by both agencies in the amount of \$85,000 and forwarded to the State General Services in June 2010.

Impact Sciences has delivered the Administrative Final EIR to the SWRCB staff on August 27, 2010 with an expected water rights decision issuance in late fall early or winter 2010, or should a hearing be needed, spring 2011.

Based on a meeting on February 7<sup>th</sup> with the SWRCB staff, additional delays will occur in the EIR process which will affect the hearing date. Circumstances, including staff availability and funding in the water rights



division has now pushed the possible date for a decision without water rights hearing for a least 6 months. Should a hearing be required, it may take up to 2 years.

Recent discussions indicate that the State Board staff may revise the DEIR alternatives and environmentally preferred alternative. It is the position of ID No.1 and CCRB that alternative 3C which analyzed current operations with the existing BiOp and Water Rights Order 89-18 with modifications, and recognizes the Settlement Agreement is the environmentally preferred alternative. Other alternatives will have impacts on water supplies and the continuing operations of the Cachuma Project. No time frame has been indicated by the State Board Staff as to the completion of the Final EIR.

On April 1, 2011, ID No.1 received the re-circulated and modified "2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Draft Environmental Impact Report" from the SWB for comment which were due on May 16<sup>th</sup> 2011. The 2DEIR shows the new "no action" alternative as 3C and the "environmentally superior" alternative as 4B the SWP exchange for BNA water to Lompoc. Other SWB updates are incorporated in the 2DEIR. ID No.1 management, special legal counsel BB&K, consultants Stetson Engineers and Hanson Environmental will review the 2DEIR for changes and provide water resources, hydrology, biologic, and legal comment letter by the deadline. This will be coordinated with the Parent District and CCRB.

The Parent District and ID No.1 legal counsel and management are in the process of completing a joint comment letter to the SWRCB, which the Parent District took the lead in preparing. The letter content is being coordinated with the CCRB for consistency. Comment period was extended from May 16<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>.

The SWRCB has assigned David Rose as the legal counsel to handle the responsibilities for the 2DEIR in place of Dana Differding who is on maternity leave for up to one year. It appears that the State Board Staff will make an effort to finalize the EIR, including the responses to comments by year's end. However, this will require the ID No.1 and CCRB (excluding Carpinteria Valley Water District because it withdrew from CCRB) to provide additional funding for the completion of the document.

With the recent additional funding approved by both ID No.1 and CCRB 3 in the amount of \$45,000 to fund the SWRCB for completion of the FEIR, to date the Member Units have provided a grand total of over \$675,000 for this SWRCB environmental process. Carpinteria Valley Water District participated as a Cachuma Project Member Unit in sharing the \$45,000.

Impact Sciences, the SWRCB consultant for the preparation of the FEIR, completed work on the response to comments and finalizing the EIR. SWB staff has indicated that a Final EIR may be completed by mid-November.

On December 8, 2011, the SWRCB as the lead agency under CEQA announced the completion and availability of the FEIR for consideration of modifications to the Cachuma Project Water Right Application 11331 and 11332. The FEIR will be included in the SWRCB hearing administrative record unless Parties to the proceedings object by January 9, 2012. Should there be an objection and it is likely the SWB will hold a hearing.

The SWRCB received comment and objection letters from several parties including the Environmental Defense Center on behalf of CalTrout, Department of Fish and Game, National Marine Fisheries Service, among others.

The SWRCB has supportive documentation by its deadline of February 28<sup>th</sup>. The hearing date for the FEIR to be incorporated into the administrative record is set for March 29 and 30, 2012. A significant collaborative effort is underway between USBR, ID No.1, Parent District, and CCRB to prepare for the hearings.



The SWRCB hearing involved the joint advocacy participants and witnesses of ID No.1, Parent District, and CCRB along with USBR to support and defend the SWRCB's FEIR and the elements contained within the document to be incorporated into the record for a later determination of the Water Rights Order. The opposing parties were the Environmental Defense Center (EDC) and their witnesses on behalf of CalTrout, who representatives were noticeably absent from the hearings, as well as the National Marine Fisheries Service and the California Department of Fish and Game. The Board Hearing Officer issued the ruling on April 5 to incorporate the FEIR into the record with minor corrections to be made prior to the Board certification of the document.

The SWRCB Division of Water Rights may have a water rights order issued by October 2012.

In a recent update from the SWRCB Division of Water Rights, it is unlikely that a hearing will take place in 2012 on a Water Rights Order and FEIR certification for the continuing operation of the Cachuma Project under permits 11308 and 11310. No time has been set by the SWB for 2013.

On Thursday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, the SWRCB staff rescinded the place-of-use issuance in the 2000 Phase I hearing for the GWD. Although this is not expected to affect the issuance of a draft water rights order for continuing operation of the Cachuma Project. Charlie Hoppin, SWRCB Chairman will not be continuing his position which is likely to significantly affect the timing of the draft water rights order.

SWRCB has indicated that a draft order is scheduled for 1/14/2014 which is one year nine months from the hearing in 2012.

Recent indications that the SWRCB will schedule a hearing on the Draft Water Right Order for permits 11308 and 11310 in October 2013 as reported by Cal-Strategies. However, information from other sources now report that the State Board now appears to have delayed the timing of a hearing to after the first of the year.

Cal-Strategies recently reported that an internal closed session of the SWRCB may occur on January 7, 2014. At this point, no progress has been made in accelerating the water rights order issuance.

Information indicates that the SWB will meet in closed session now in mid to late February on the internal draft water rights order. The State Board is discussing water transfers and drought preparedness in response to the lowest allocations on record to agricultural users and communities.

The SWB has cancelled all water rights activities and hearings due to the drought proclamation by the Governor. The latest information from SWRCB staff is that the hearing may occur in October.

SWB staff has indicated that the Board may meet in closed session in late July or early August. Recent communications with SWB staff indicate that the drought and state-wide water supply issues will take priority and the focus of the SWB will be on those matters. No time has been provided for a hearing.

The State Board may meet in closed session in December to review a Draft Water Rights Order for permits 11308 and 11310 as a result of the hearings that took place in October 2003 and March 2012 on the EIR.

The SWRCB calendar does not show any session in December for Draft Water Rights Order on the Cachuma Project. The last SWB hearing activity was March 2012. SWRCB calendar does not show any session in January 2015.

After hearing a report and confirmation from CCRB's consultant Cal Strategies that the SWRCB would have its closed session hearing on February 17, 2015 with a release of a draft Water Rights Order the



following day, this date has once again been pushed. ID1 will continue to check the SWRCB hearing calendar.

No SWRCB hearing date has been set due to the recent Governors orders for continuing State-wide drought conditions and increased regulatory actions taking priority.

The SWRCB held a closed session on the Draft Water Orders on August 22, 2016. Although there was nothing to report out of the closed, management contacted SWRCB staff to inquire about timing of the Order. On September 7, 2016 the Draft Order amending permits 11308 and 11310 was issued to the Bureau of Reclamation and copied to the parties in the past hearings including ID No.1. The Draft Order is under review by ID No.1 management, its consultants (Stetson Engineers and Hanson Environmental), and special legal counsel with comments due back to the SWRCB by noon on October 25, 2016.

The SYRWCD and ID No.1 jointly requested a time extension to provide comments from the SWRCB that is consistent with USBR and others. Because of the complexity of the Draft Order, 45-days were not enough time and therefore the request extends to after the first of the year. The SWRCB granted a time extension to December 9, 2016 as the deadline for submittal of comments.

ID No.1 submitted its comment letter to the SWRCB by the deadline. The comment objected to the SWRCB adoption of 5C or more water for public trust resources steelhead rather than the adoption of the environmentally superior alternative of 3C, a balanced water option between steelhead and water supply. ID No.1 coordinated with the SYRWCD to develop a common position but separate letter. Other parties providing comments on the SWRCB Draft Order included USBR, CCRB, NOAA-NMFS, CDFW, EDC/Caltrout, & Cal Farm Bureau.

The special interest group's submitted comment suggesting the SWRCB extend beyond alternative 5C and the NMFS recommended postponing the adoption of the Order to include the 2016 BO. Sample letters are in the Board packet and the entire set of letters can be made available upon request.

A notice was provided in early March 2018 related to the change in the noticing recipient list.

SWRCB held a closed session hearing on August 7 2018. No information to date has been forwarded by the SWB staff.

Additional SWRCB closed session hearings were held on August 28 and 29, 2018. No information to date has been forwarded by the SWB staff.

The SWRCB held a closed session item on Permits 11308 and 11310 on March 5 and 6, 2019.

On March 27, 2019 the SWB issued the Revised Draft Order Amending Permits 11308 and 11310 for continuing operation of the Cachuma Project. The 371 page order reflects terms for continuing operations by USBR, conditions for protection of downstream water rights and public trust resources, and conditions for water supply. The comment period ends on April 29, 2019 at noon. On April 5, 2019, a joint letter from CCRB, SYRWCD, ID#1 and City of Lompoc was sent to the SWB requesting a 45-day extension given the complexity and content of the order. The extension request by the local interests was supported by USBR.

**The Extension was approved by the SWRCB and comments are due in June.**

CA-5. National Marine Fisheries Service – 2000 Biological Opinion issued to USBR for the Continuing Operations of the Cachuma Project and Section 7 Re-Consultation



The 2000 Biological Opinion (BiOp) issued by NMFS requires USBR to comply with the terms and conditions (T&C's) and reasonable and prudent measures (RPM's) to avoid a take condition of the listed Steelhead/rainbow trout which allows for the continuing operations of the Cachuma Project for water supply purposes. The Cachuma Project Member Units are carrying out those requirements out on behalf of the USBR.

Under the 2001 MOU, CCRB representing the four south coast Member Units, and ID No.1 have jointly funded and conducted the studies, projects and monitoring requirements as defined in the T&C's and RPM's.

Two passage barrier removal projects have now received full and partial grant funding; Quiota Creek crossings #2 and #7 respectively. Although #2 was not the responsibility of the Member Units, (it is identified in the EIR as a Santa Barbara County Project), both projects may be needed to comply with the BiOp and avoid additional measures that may include additional water releases from Member Unit water supply for fish downstream of Bradbury Dam. The combined cost of these two bridge projects are estimated at \$1.8 million.

The Quiota Creek Crossings #2 was completed in 2011 within the contract time. A complete accounting will be provided. Crossing #7 funding is pending approval by the granting agencies. COMB included this crossing in the 2012-2013 Budget and the majority of the Board approved entering into a sole source contract with Lapidus Construction to build crossing #7.

Construction on crossing #7 is complete and a report from COMB regarding the budget will be forthcoming. Grant funding for Crossing #0 is being processed.

During the week of February 25th - 28th, USBR Staff Nick Zaninovich and Doug Deflitch were conducting Routine Operation & Maintenance Inspection of the Cachuma Project facilities. This is a routine inspection according to the SOP protocols. On Thursday February 28th, they visited the USBR owned and operated Hilton Creek watering system siphon/pump barge in order to perform maintenance on the pumps. After "testing the apparatus" on February 28, in the early hours of March 1st, an "incident" occurred and the Hilton Creek watering system lost the ability to siphon water from the lake, flows stopped at both the upper and lower release valves, and there was no water in Hilton Creek. The COMB Biology Staff (CBS) was notified by the USBR Dam Tender at approximately 10am and immediately went to Hilton Creek to rescue fish. NMFS was also notified by USBR of the situation and the fish mortality. At 12:30pm on March 1st, the pumps were activated and the water started flowing again.

CBS is documenting the situation with an incident report which will be submitted to the USBR. The USBR is currently working on an incident report. The system is currently using the pumps for pressurized releases at a higher rate of 8 cfs (16AFD) rather than 6 cfs (12 AFD) as the required target flows. USBR is attempting to install a temporary delivery system so that the Hilton Creek watering system can be assessed. The apparent USBR operator error or system infrastructure failure will be confirmed in a report.

A report was filed by USBR on March 13, 2013 regarding the Hilton Creek water system failure.

A regional power outage on June 24 2013 created another HCWS failure to deliver flows into the creek habitat. Because the HCWS was operating on power only and not in siphon mode, the system was down for several hours from 11:30 pm to 4:45 am according to USBR. Additional fish losses occurred and NMFS was notified. USBR has been working internally to develop a reliable and redundant HCWS. No definitive plans have been presented. Costs are reason that a backup system (Rain for Rent) was not put into place.



Currently, the system is functioning on a static level delivery flow of 7.7 cfs with no plans discussed with the MU's on the remedies to vary the flow rates or the system.

Hilton Creek water system continues to release 9.2 AFD or 4.6 cfs which is greater than the requirements in the 2000 BO. This water is "Project" contract water used as water supplies for the Cachuma Member Units. USBR has not yet remedied this problem because of funding issues.

Reclamation is investigating a redundant HCWS and repairs to the existing system with a time frame of a year or more.

On June 9, Michael Jackson of USBR reported to ID No.1 management that on the previous Thursday and Friday, USBR airlifted (using a helicopter) a replacement Hilton Creek pump onto the barge and now have both pumps repaired and operational. USBR staff will continue to monitor its system.

USBR installed a by-pass water line to the 10-inch outlet valve at the Control house for the purpose of supplying colder water to Hilton Creek. This installation may create constraints in the downstream water rights releases. USBR also compelled CCWA to install a by-pass and a high line over the radial gate sill to deliver SWP water into the lake rather than through the control house and intake works. The consequences of both actions have not yet been fully evaluated.

USBR has prepared a Draft BO on the focused consultation for the Drought Operations and Hilton Creek Watering System including the 30,000 AF Storage trigger in the reservoir thus reducing fish flows. The contents of the final Draft BO have not been made available, however, there are Parent District and ID No.1 concerns over any permanent connection at the outlet works to serve Hilton Creek affecting downstream and contract water delivery capabilities.

Negotiations are on-going with USBR regarding the 30,000 AF Storage triggering point for fish flows. The focused Draft BO for Drought operations and the reduced fish flows was withdrawn by USBR. No.1 and CCRB are meeting with USBR to present information to assist USBR in the consultation with NMFS related to lowering the fish flows to 1.0 AFD of 30 AF per month according to the 2000 BO. This is in comparison to the nearly 400 AF per month currently being released for fish into Hilton Creek.

ID No.1 jointly requested with CCRB that USBR modify and reduce fish releases into Hilton Creek to 30 Acre-feet per month in accordance with the 2000 BiOp. A joint letter was sent on July 15, 2014 and USBR subsequently requested additional information on the Cachuma Storage and hydrology. This joint information was forwarded on December 12, 2014. A request was made on January 5 as to the status of this action by USBR.

In accordance with the 2000 Biological Opinion, since the available water in storage is below the 30,000 AF trigger, USBR will consult with NMFS to determine the outcome of the reduced fish flows to 1.0 AFD or 30 AF per month. No action has been taken to date and NMFS requested additional studies and analysis.

USBR submitted the additional information prepared jointly by USBR, CCRB, ID No.1, and CCRB as requested by NMFS for the Critical Drought Operations on June 10<sup>th</sup> and July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015.

There is pending litigation, USBR v. Caltrout related to Hilton Creek and the Emergency Hilton Creek Pumping System. ID No.1 is an Intervener with the SYRWCD and CCRB with USBR in this case. The plaintiffs claim is "take" of the Endangered Steelhead/rainbow trout and temporary and permanent fixes to the HCEPS.



Settlement documents have been submitted by the USBR, the Intervening Parties and the Environmental Defense Center for CalTrout on September 23, 2015.

USBR successfully tested the Hilton Creek Emergency pumping System in late October to meet the conditions of the Settlement.

The parties to the USBR v. Caltrout settlement Agreement accepted the USBR the Hilton Creek Emergency Backup System as complete. As part Settlement conditions- Stipulation #2, the USBR called the parties to meet on January 27, 2016 to review and take comments on the "Hilton Creek Enhanced Gravity Flow System" (HCEGFS) and proposed connection to the penstock. ID1 representatives Walsh and Dahlstrom provided testimony to USBR as well as the SYRWCD General Manager. Cal Trout and CCRB also provided input. Dale Francisco, a member of the public attended the meeting that was meant only for those parties to the litigation and Settlement Agreement. ID1 submitted its issues with this situation to USBR. This was neither a Brown Act meeting nor a public meeting.

USBR has not yet responded to comments regarding the HCEGFS.

With the Cachuma Project water available to the Member Units being less than 7,000 AF, on April 6, 2016 ID1 requested that USBR convene an AMC meeting to consider changes in passage, maintenance, rearing and critical dry year water for fish downstream of Bradbury Dam. ID1 requested that USBR lead this meeting to propose to NMFS that it allow the reduction of flows to 1 Acre Foot per day in accordance with the 2000 BO. It was suggested that this meeting is urgent given the lake levels and available water supply for human consumption.

Two AMC meetings meeting were conducted on April 29, 2016 and again on May 3, 2016 to discuss the reduction of fish flows, the emergency Hilton Creek pumping system, and fish rescue. NMFS and USBR are negotiating possible solutions. However, fish relocation will require a NMFS 135-day process at which time water will be unavailable.

Several AMC conference calls have occurred in May and June to determine the best means to sustain the existing population of trout in Hilton Creek. No final decision has been made to relocate fish except to consider trucking water to the creek as a temporary fix. An action will be needed prior and following to the downstream water rights releases.

The latest decision by NMFS and USBR following the July AMC meeting was to have water trucks available to fill tanks for making temporary releases into the lower release point of Hilton Creek as the downstream water rights releases commence and after the releases are terminated. Once those releases start from the outlet works, pressure to the Hilton Creek piping will cease and therefore no water would be delivered. Monitoring of the 57 trout in the Creek will continue.

Hilton Creek is being watered at the lower release point from trucked water into a set of tanks. Water comes from a source at outlet works. NMFS has not approved the trapping and relocation of those remaining Rainbow trout to a facility capable of ensuring survival.

Water to the lower release point of Hilton creek is provided from a pump system in the Stilling Basin. The water is essentially being recirculated with no refreshing releases anticipated from the outlet works. USBR is the lead on this project.

With the elevation of the lake now at 712', USBR will be testing the Hilton Creek pump barge in March in anticipation of NMFS mandating fish flow resume to Hilton Creek beginning in April. Flows will be subject to the criteria in the 2000 BO.



USBR tested the Hilton Creek pump barge on April 7 and resulted in a failure mode which requires the continued use of the HCEBS at the outlet works to continue to gravity force water to the lower release point in Hilton Creek. No time or a cost estimate is forecast for repairs by USBR. As a result, CCWA was forced to re-install the bypass pipeline up the spillway and through Gate #4 rather than connect to the penstock at the outlet works control house as has been done over the past 25 years. CCWA deliveries of SWP water to the south coast will be through this temporary bypass.

CCWA was directed by USBR to cease delivery operations through the Bradbury Dam penstock by March 23, 2017. On April 14, 2017, the CCWA bypass pipeline was re-installed based on modifications and approval by USBR which allows CCWA deliveries of SWP water to resume. CCWA south coast agencies paid for the re-installation.

As of March 2018, CCWA deliveries to the lake were shut down from March 21 to March 27. Typical daily deliveries were 40 AF.

For the month of April, 2018, releases for fish at 4.48 AFD are made through the HCEBS and through the outlet works.

Fish releases continue through the HCEBS and outlet works. As of August 6, 2018 the downstream water rights account for fish release throughout the duration of the ANA/BNA release period.

The Downstream water rights releases were curtailed on September 12, 2018. Fish releases from Project Water into Hilton Creek resumed at a rate of 8.01AFD.

USBR made steelhead passage water releases the beginning on February 6, 2019 with the flow conditions in the Santa Ynez River and in accordance with the 2000 BO. Those releases are subject to an agreed upon schedule between USBR and NMFS and that come from the fish passage account of 3,551 AF. The starting flow rate is 60 CFS and then ramping down incrementally.

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On February 9, 2011, USBR submitted completed the documentation supporting compliance (Compliance Report) to NMFS with the requirements pursuant to the September 11, 2000 Biological Opinion. The binder contains responses and actions that address the 15 RPM's and associated Terms and Conditions. USBR staff recently requested the status of the 2008, 2009 and 2010 annual monitoring report, including trend analysis for 2005-2008 (Term & Condition 11-1) that was not contained in the Compliance Report. CCRB, ID No.1 and Parent District will review the update of the 2008 report within the next week for submittal to USBR. The 2009 and presumably 2010 reports are work in-progress being prepared by the joint biology staff.

The 2008 Annual Monitoring Report and Trend Analysis for 2005-2008 for the Biological Opinion for the Operation and Maintenance of the Cachuma Project on the Santa Ynez River was reviewed by ID No.1, Parent District and CCRB then finalized for submittal to USBR on June 22, 2011. On June 23, USBR submitted the document to the NMFS and will be incorporated into the USBR Compliance Binder.

The 2009 Annual Monitoring Report and Trend Analysis were made available in draft form for review by ID No.1, Parent District and CCRB on July 7. ID No.1 provided comments which were incorporated into the final document. The Report was reviewed by a COMB Fisheries Committee which provided comment on the Report. Although COMB and this committee is not part of the fisheries review process and/or on the Adaptive Management Committee (AMC) as defined in and as part of the 1994 or 2001 Fisheries MOU's with Reclamation and others, these comments were provided to COMB biology staff. Comments on the



Report have not yet been circulated by the biology staff to the AMC or other agencies part of the Fisheries process to consider.

On October 27, the Biology Staff forwarded the revised Executive Summary of the 2009 Annual Monitoring Report and Trend Analysis for final review by CCRB, SYRWCD and ID No.1 along with their respective consultants. Comments specific to the text for funding sources and preparation of the document were provided by ID No.1. As of this date, the 2009 Report has not yet been sent to Reclamation.

NMFS issued a letter to USBR indicating delinquent monitoring reports; 2009, 2010 and 2011 as well as the RPM 6 related to the monitoring of 89-18 water rights releases. COMB was named in this letter for not having submitted the 2009 report by the August 24, 2011 due date. A response was requested of USBR.

On March 9, 2012, USBR submitted to the NMFS the 2009 Annual Monitoring Report and Trend Analysis for the Biological Opinion for the Cachuma Project. This document complies with RPM 11, T&C 11.1 of NMFS's Biological Opinion. The 2010 report is the next report for submittal. This document was prepared by USBR, the staff and consultants of the Cachuma Project member units.

USBR submitted to the NMFS the report for monitoring fish movement during water rights releases during a three year period. This document complies with RPM 6, T&C 1) A&B of NMFS's Biological Opinion.

Annual Monitoring Report 2010 was submitted to USBR in February 2013.

A draft 2011 Annual Monitoring report was recently made available on June 7 by the Cachuma Project Biology Staff with a due date of June 11 for review and comment. Given the demand for review and preparation of the Draft BA by June 28, this time is being reconsidered.

USBR submitted a June 3, 2013 letter to NMFS regarding the 2000 BO RPM 6 (downstream water rights releases) Study Plan. According to the SCCAO Area Manager, this plan for monitoring during water rights releases was produced by USBR and the Cachuma Project Biology Staff (COMB). In a conference call on July 1, 2013 between the downstream parties only and USBR (Michael Jackson, SCCAO Manager et. al.) a significant issue has been created with this action and the associated "Study Plan" because of the disregard of Reclamation to engage, consult or allow review of this action by the SYRWCD or any downstream interest that involves this water right release. According to Michael Jackson's explanation, this plan was worked on by Ned Gruenhagen of USBR and the "Cachuma Project Biologist", Tim Robinson of COMB. The significant issue herein lies with the lack of communication and involvement of the SYRWCD and downstream water rights interests, and with the additional conditions in this June 3 Study Plan (e.g. warm-water predator fish data and water quality analysis) that are *not* required in the 2000 BO.

The language in this study plan admits that these items are not a requirement (second to last paragraph on page 2). As a Cachuma Member Unit and as a downstream water right holder, COMB's action (understanding from USBR of the Cachuma Project Biology Staff's involvement) to engage in any activity beyond that of the 2000 BO is not allowable. In this circumstance, the Study Plan has created additional level of effort and provides that the CPBS of COMB will be conducting and immediately carrying out of these activities which are beyond the 2000 BO requirements; and, COMB becoming directly involved in water rights matters, thus violating the COMB JPA related to 1.3.h.i – "a matter involving water rights of any party".

The downstream parties were not apprised of the preparation of the Study Plan nor included in its development and unaware of this letter. Legal Counsel from the SYRWCD and ID No.1 are involved.

Conflicting information and inconsistencies related to the content of the draft 2011 Annual Monitoring report have caused USBR to hold the submittal.



The 2011 Monitoring report was modified by USBR and released in March.

The EDC has filed a 60-day notice of intent to sue USBR citing violation of the 2000 BO and the ESA because of the Hilton creek pump problems and referencing COMB's April 14, 2014 letter. According to Michael Jackson, the USBR Solicitor will be responding to both EDC and COMB.

USBR has responded to COMB and a rebuttal from COMB to USBR. Additionally, COMB's CPBS has completed a draft of RPM-6 related to water rights without the involvement of the SYRWCD or ID No.1 as a downstream user and as participants on the AMC. This has caused significant issues and COMB has engaged in water rights activities outside the scope of its authority.

USBR awarded the contract for Hilton Creek Emergency Backup System (HCEBS) to Sansone Company in the amount of \$659,993 and to be constructed by December 3, 2014. This is a reimbursable cost to USBR by the Cachuma Member Units.

EDC has filed a lawsuit against USBR related to the Hilton Creek Watering System interruptions and violation of the ESA and the 2000 BO terms and conditions.

The Annual Fish Monitoring Report for 2012 has not yet prepared nor released. COMB staff compiles the information for finalization by USBR.

An internal draft of the 2012 Annual Fish Monitoring Report was circulated to the consultant biologists of ID No.1 and CCRB as well as to the SYRWCD for comment. CCRB and ID No.1 will receive the draft prior to submittal to USBR. COMB biology staff prepared this document on behalf of ID No.1 and CCRB for Reclamation's compliance requirements in the 2000 BO. The document has not been sent to ID No.1 as of this date.

With the Water Rights releases beginning on August 3, 2015, COMB staff set up temperature and fish traps to capture predator fish and monitor rainbow trout. ID No.1 and SYRWCD staff is monitoring COMB activities as these procedures were not reviewed by the JDCA or 2001 MOU parties.

ID1 staff has prepared comments draft of the 2012 Annual Fish Monitoring Report ("AMR") which are due by September 15, 2015. COMB sent a PDF of the 2012 AMR to USBR on October 2, 2015. District management forwarded to USBR on October 5, 2015 a redline Word version to assure comments by District management, staff, and its consultants were incorporated in the AMR.

COMB staff has prepared a 2013 draft AMR for USBR which was reviewed by Chuck Hanson, ID1's fisheries expert. ID1 is a member of the AMC and is supposed to approve or consent to the AMR's being forwarded to Reclamation for submittal to NMFS. COMB has not abided by that process. It is unknown if COMB has forwarded the document.

As of March 2018, ID1 has not received notification from COMB that the AMR's from years 2014 to present have been prepared or submitted to USBR (this is the responsibility of ID1 and CCRB under the 2001 MOU to conduct and prepare these studies).

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USBR, ID No.1 and CCRB legal counsel and management have scheduled a meeting at the SCCAO in Fresno to open begin applicant status discussion for the *Section 7 Re-Consultation* process. This meeting on June 2, 2011 is the first of a regular series of anticipated monthly meetings with USBR over the next year.



On June 23, 2011, USBR submitted to NMFS a revised Draft Outline for the Biological Assessment (“BA”) as part of the Cachuma Project Section 7 Re-Consultation. The first set of comments on Reclamation’s BA outline (that was to be presented to NMFS on June 23, 2011), was discussed and submitted to Reclamation based on a joint action by the ID No.1, Parent District and CCRB (JDCA agencies) managers, attorneys (two attorneys for CCRB) and consultants. Keeping in mind that Reclamation provided the outline on June 22nd at 3:41 pm, it was requested that the JDCA agencies provide their comments back to Reclamation prior to a 3:00 pm deadline on June 23, 2011. Reclamation revised its outline only incorporating some of the comments provided by ID No.1, CCRB and the Parent District which was sent to NMFS.

This was the first formal interaction with between the three JDCA agencies and USBR in the re-consultation process and it was the consensus of the JDCA agencies that USBR could have been more engaging and cooperative in this first round of re-consultation. It was the hope that Reclamation will be more amenable to our involvement. It is expected that the JDCA agencies will continue to implement and follow through with the cooperative process through the Reclamation/NMFS re-consultation and BO development.

A conference call took place on July 7 between representatives of USBR, ID No.1, Parent District and CCRB to receive an update from USBR regarding the draft outline for the Biological Assessment (“BA”). USBR considers the outline a skeleton as a starting point in the preparation of the BA and has now confirmed that the ID No.1, Parent District and CCRB will be significantly involved in working with USBR in the preparation of that document. The next meeting is scheduled for August 15<sup>th</sup> with NMFS to continue to formulate the draft BA outline and to review the BO Compliance Binder materials.

A re-consultation meeting between the NMFS, USBR and the Cachuma Advocacy group (ID No.1, CCRB and the Parent District) took place on August 22, 2011 to discuss the expanded outline and the 2000 BO Compliance Binder. NMFS staff expects a “new” Biological Assessment to include a revised baseline with the creek passage barrier projects. They acknowledged the Quiota Creek enhancements and other tributary projects that are not in the 2000 BO as voluntary. USBR, ID No.1, Parent District and CCRB will work together to develop the BA. Because of time constraints, the Compliance Binder review will take place during another meeting; which has not yet been scheduled.

A re-consultation coordination model was developed to organize the local participants (Parent District, ID No.1 and CCRB) in the Section 7 process with Reclamation and provide a procedure to effectively communicate and make decisions among the parties. The model also provides a communication tree among the agencies including Reclamation and the consultants.

Regular conference calls between the Parent District, ID No.1 and CCRB with consultants have occurred over the past month and during the preparation of the BA draft project description annotated outline. The core group will be attending a meeting with Reclamation on October 18<sup>th</sup> in Fresno to refine the annotated outline.

The meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup> included Reclamation staff, CCRB and SYRWCD representatives, and ID No.1’s special legal counsel. There was a review of the expanded and annotated Project Description outline for the Biological Assessment (BA). Reclamation will be providing technical and general comments to the document. Reclamation will also work with the three parties to establish a schedule for the preparation of the BA.

A conference call is schedule with Reclamation, ID No.1, Parent District and CCRB on January 13 to discuss “take” information and report recently released and submitted by COMB directly to NMFS.

A meeting was held on November 17 with the NMFS to discuss the Southern Steelhead Recovery Plan. NMFS representatives Penny Ruvelas, Mark Cappelli and staff presented to ID No.1, SYRWCD, and CCRB



the plan elements that are non-regulatory but used as guidelines for recovery of the Southern Steelhead in the Santa Ynez River. Although not formally released, a point by point explanation of the elements, including flow regimes, habitat improvements, ground water monitoring, Bradbury Dam upstream tributaries and passage barrier mitigations, and target populations.

The Recovery Plan was released at the beginning of January 2012 with recovery costs for 8 creek and river systems, primarily the Santa Ynez River of \$389 million.

A schedule for the development of the Biological Assessment was jointly prepared ID1, CCRB and USBR to submit to the NMFS.

In June, the NMFS requested RFP's soliciting consultants to conduct flow, habitat and hydrologic studies in lower reach of the SY River below Bradbury Dam. The way in which that is being done is not compatible with the obligation NMFS has to "cooperate" with State and Local agencies to resolve water resource issues "in concert with" the conservation of endangered species. (ESA Section 2(c)(2)). This issue is being raised before the United States District Court in Santa Ana in the case of *Bear Valley Mutual Water Company et.al. v. Fish and Wildlife Service*. A ruling may occur before the Cachuma re-consultation is well advanced.

IDNo.1, the Parent District and CCRB are coordinating with USBR in the continuing development of the BA process and revising the schedule based on the recent actions of NMFS. USBR forwarded to NMFS on July 20, 2012 the revised annotated outline and schedule for the preparation of the Biological Assessment.

The NMFS is pursuing recovery as part of the future BO and through the Tri-County Fish Team (meeting on July 31) NMFS is soliciting input on priority projects from participants using the Threats-By-Watershed table which came out of the Southern Steelhead Recovery Plan. NMFS is formulating a Strategic Approach for implementing recovery in the Santa Ynez River. Caltrout has replaced Nikka Knight with Kurt Zimmerman, an attorney as its lead representative for the Santa Ynez and Ventura Watersheds. Caltrout is establishing an office in Ventura.

In a letter from the NMFS to Reclamation on October 22, 2012, Reclamation received a response to the July 20<sup>th</sup> submittal that only addressed the Draft BA schedule; rejecting the June 30, 2012 submittal date. The revised NMFS date of delivery for a Draft BA as determined by NMFS is January 1, 2013, along with NMFS's denial to provide the new scientific data and reports it conducted. USBR and the collaborating agencies decided that the NMFS delivery date was impractical and proposed the submittal of the Draft BA by May 30, 2013.

A significant work effort is being made by ID No.1, CCRB and the Parent District consultants and staff to develop and prepare sections of the BA for review by Reclamation. Many studies are being conducted which will be incorporated in the BA. A cost sharing agreement for legal resources between CCRB (88.42%) and ID No.1 (11.58%) was executed in mid-December. This agreement was ratified by the CCRB parties following the CCRB meeting. Since early December, Greg Wilkinson is looked to and directed in preparing certain tasks, reviewing all elements for the record, and to marshal this BA effort.

USBR has confirmed its need to have the Draft BA even though its review and comment time frame has not met the deadlines. The Draft BA is to be submitted on June 28 to USBR staff.

A limited number of the Draft BA chapters are being revised and re-written based on discussions with advocacy parties. USBR is aware of the revisions with a deadline for submittal of all chapters on August 23, 2013.



The USBR Area Manager has determined that USBR will complete the Draft BA for submittal to NMFS by Mid-October 2013. The USBR decision was based on a demand letter from CCRB indicating it will not deliver the remaining chapters to USBR until December 20, 2013.

On October 2, CCRB Board gave its approval to the Entrix to release chapters 4, 5, 6, 11 and the executive summary to USBR. The District provided comments on all chapters of the Draft BA and submitted additional information to USBR on October 8, 2013.

USBR is planning to submit the Draft BA to NMFS by mid-November 2013. USBR is no longer participating on the monthly calls due to conflicts.

Kate Rees, CCRB manager announced her retirement on January 31, 2014.

On November 21, 2013 USBR submitted the draft BA to NMFS. In a meeting between USBR and the downstream interests, including the SYRWCD and ID No.1 representatives only on November 25, 2013, USBR confirmed incorporating the most recent comments submitted by the downstream interests and other comments submitted by the south coast. USBR did make modifications. A copy of the draft BA will be forwarded by USBR to the District.

NMFS responded USBR on April 8, 2014 indicating the sufficiency of the draft BA with several additional data requirements as part of "consultation" including a discrepancy in the South Coast Member Units operational yield versus apparent over-diversion of water deliveries to the south coast with the issue of the absence of reductions in deliveries at 100,000 AF. Other data needs include south coast stream crossings and the inter-related south coast water conveyance systems. USBR responded on May 27, 2014 acknowledging the data requests and to work with NMFS and providing a Consultation schedule with at Final BO on April 15, 2015.

At a meeting held in August with Reclamation management, it was made clear that the Section 7 consultation will be between the two Federal agencies – USBR and MNFS. The Applicant Status requested jointly by CCRB, ID No.1 was denied by USBR but collaboration will be considered.

A meeting with USBR and ID1, SYRWCD and CCRB was held on October 27 at the SCCAO in Fresno to discuss the outlet works and the temporary and permanent plans, the Drought Operations Draft BA and the relationships between the agencies in the Cachuma Project. There was indication that NMFS will likely release a Draft Biological Opinion in January 2015. This is well ahead of the planned timing in mid-spring.

USBR met with NMFS on November 20, 2014 as part of the formal re-consultation. A follow up meeting between USBR, ID No.1, SYRWCD, and CCRB is scheduled for December 9, 2014.

On December 18, 2014, USBR formally requested an extension of 120 days for the consultation as a result of the December 9, 2014 meeting with NMFS. The purpose is to allow time provide NMFS with additional information as requested in their April 8, August 4, and September 30, 2014 letters. The NMFS Draft Biological Opinion is expected to be issued to USBR around May 30, 2015.

NMFS has requested USBR provide additional analysis and evaluation of the flow and habitat conditions downstream of Bradbury Dam among other informational requests related to migrant trapping data.

CCRB and Cal Strategies met with USBR on Tuesday May 5, 2015 unilaterally requested inserting the passage barrier removal projects on the tributaries (Quiota Creek) along the Santa Ynez River below Bradbury Dam into the Draft 2015 BO. Statements of "Assurances" were made by CCRB working with COMB to implement passage barrier removal in the SY River watershed and on the South Coast tributaries.



Neither ID No.1 nor the Parent District was aware of the meeting or the discussion and decision by CCRB. ID No.1 will be contacting USBR. This issue has not been resolved.

Following a response letter to CCRB related to the above meeting with USBR and memorandum related to tributary commitments in the future, several calls and meetings have occurred between the JDCA parties to resolve issues.

There is information that a draft Biological Opinion may be released by NMFS in October 2015.

The Trush report prepared by Humboldt State University River Institute for Steelhead migration in the Santa Ynez River that may be included in the draft BO by NMFS is being peer reviewed by ID1 and now CCRB expert consultants.

According to a COMB report at the meeting on March 7, the 2012 monitoring report was submitted to USBR and the 2013 draft report is being prepared by COMB biology staff. The reports have not been distributed to CCRB or ID No.1 responsible for these activities under the 2001 MOU.

On April 5, 2016, ID1 received a link to the Draft Annual Monitoring Plan from Entrix rather than from COMB. ID1 staff requested that COMB send all correspondence related to fisheries documentation directly to ID1 management. COMB staff requested comments by April 20, 2014.

ID No.1 and the SYRWCD in conjunction with CCRB submitted comments on the HSU Trush report on July 21, 2016 to Reclamation and the NMFS for incorporation into the administrative record.

According to the NMFS comment letter dated December 8, 2016 to the State Water Resources Control Board regarding its release of the 2016 Draft Water Right Order, "NMFS is in the process of reviewing and discussing the draft 2016 biological opinion with BOR". It is likely that a draft BO, which is expected to be a "Jeopardy" opinion, will contain greater flows, have passage requirements as indicated by NMFS in the past, and recovery plan elements and terms imbedded including significantly higher flows for fish releases, fish passage around Bradbury Dam and return, and other protections for recovery of the listed steelhead. NMFS indicated in its comment letter to the SWRCB to incorporate the 2016 BO, thus the issuance is expected in the very near term.

ID No.1 management and Special Legal Counsel continue to monitor and are prepared to comment once the Public Draft is issued. ID No.1 was denied "applicant status" by USBR as a contracting party to Cachuma Project that had federal recognition. Therefore, comments on the Public Draft BO will be submitted to NMFS. The County was also recently denied "applicant status".

No further information has been available on the timing of a Public Draft BO issuance.

Pursuant to a letter from NMFS to USBR on June 15, 2018, the Section 7 Re-consultation was terminated for the November 28, 2016 draft Biological Opinion and existing proposed action. The new proposed action will be the basis of a new formal consultation under the ESA. On August 1, 2018, USBR submitted its revised draft proposed action to NMFS for review. A meeting is scheduled between USBR, NMFS and the JDCA group.

A meeting between USBR, NMFS, CCRB, ID No.1 and the SYRWCD is scheduled for October 16, 2018 at the NOAA offices in Long Beach.

USBR has set the date for submittal of a new Biological Assessment to NMFS of March 1, 2019. CCRB, ID1 and SYRWCD with USBR staff will be preparing various document elements. The BA will be based on the USBR's revised Proposed Action.



**A revised date has been provided for submittal of the new BA; mid-June 2019.**

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CA-6. Cachuma Project - Water Supply and Water Service Contract

The water delivery order for WY 2014-15 has been submitted to USBR with a 55% reduction in entitlement deliveries beginning October 1, 2014. With the DWR Table "A" allocation at 20%, plus SWP water purchased through the SWPP by south coast member along with prior year carryover, the amounts should suffice to meet all exchange requirements in WY 2015. However, Goleta Water District has taken delivery of its SWP allocation and therefore the South Coast parties cannot effectuate the terms of the Exchange Agreement. This is being reviewed by the District's Special Legal Counsel BB&K for a recommendation of appropriate action.

A meeting is being called by CCWA to reconcile how to allocate the Santa Ynez Exchange water among the South Coast remaining agencies pursuant to the Exchange Agreement. The allocation methodology in the Exchange Agreement does not address a south coast party opting out with actual procedures. A call with all the parties to the Exchange Agreement is expected in June to outline the issues and then develop an allocation methodology, if possible within the terms and conditions of the Exchange Agreement.

The Exchange Agreement terms have not yet been reconciled between the parties and a meeting is scheduled on July 15<sup>th</sup> to discuss the South Coast Exchange water deficiencies.

The Exchange Agreement is being effectuated by the City of Santa Barbara, Montecito Water District and to certain level, Carpinteria Valley Water District with each of their SWP allocations, carryover and purchased water. ID No.1 remains whole at this time even with Goleta Water District not in the exchange due to its decision to move its entire SWP allocation to Cachuma without exchanging with IDNo.1 in accordance with the Agreement.

As of September 4, 2015, ID No.1 transferred its 2013-2014 Cachuma Project Carryover water to Montecito Water District that was to be exchanged in 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 with the participating parties. ID No.1's 750 AF of Carryover water was subject to evaporation losses of up to 65 AF per month and 25 AF per month for fish releases to Hilton Creek. In return, the District received \$1,015 per acre foot of water transferred. There is approximately 50 AF of Carryover water remaining for direct delivery to the SB County Park that is served by ID No.1.

USBR announced that will be zero (0) allocation of Project water to the Cachuma Member Units as of October 1, 2015 for the next water year.

USBR is considering the status and definition of use for the 12,000 AF water in the minimum pool. USBR staff also provided a minimum level of 604.50' which is the lowest point in the lake above the inlet sill to the penstock at elevation 600.00'.

USBR continues to allocate zero water for 2016. In addition, water accruing from the Tecolote Tunnel Yield is not being allocated but used to offset a portion of the lake evaporation rather than deducted from Project Carry Over water per the Master Contract. However, Reclamation defined in its CEC released in April 2016 that the minimum pool water shall not be available to divert through the south coast's Barge relocation nor will the WR 89-18 water and fish account water.

COMB relocated the barge that delivers water to the South Coast agencies prior to the downstream water rights releases began on July 12. The new location is adjacent to the County Park.



The inequities of the 2015/2016 “unallocated water” and “unaccounted for” water delivered to the South Coast CMU’s remains an issue and have been contested by ID No.1. A response from USBR is pending. Following a meeting with USBR on September 6, 2016 when presented the inequities due to tunnel infiltration credits and unaccounted for water delivered to the south coast, those inequities continue to increase with this new water year. No formal resolution between ID1, USBR and the County Water Agency has been accomplished.

The Santa Barbara County Water Agency submitted to USBR the annual request for allocation from the Cachuma Project. This was historically done by COMB, however, SBCWA has taken back this role in accordance with the Master Contract. There was zero allocation issued by USBR starting on October 1, 2016.

USBR will institute an evaporation scenario, proposed by SB County, that both Project carryover water and SWP will evaporate proportional to the total lake volume. The theory being the Minimum Pool will evaporate at a given level anyway, and with some incremental storage in the lake will incrementally increase evaporate so should be accounted for as such. The member Units have stated that except for Goleta (~ 500 AF) and to a minimal extent City of SB, and furthermore to a much lesser extent ID1 (for the Park), will exhaust all the CCO by December 1, 2016. This is effective on January 1, 2017.

On March 17, 2017 the CMU managers and technical staff met with the County Water Agency staff to compare the independent water supply analysis prepared by each CMU and the County based on the “Available Project Water” and for supporting a mid-year allocation from USBR. Carpinteria Valley WD conducted extensive modeling based on a two year allocation outlook and differing percentages of a mid-year allocation and remaining balances, while considering most factors affecting the water supply in the lake. ID No.1, in conjunction with Stetson Engineers verified Carpinteria’s model and also prepared ID No.1’s modeling effort confirming all other sources of stored and produced water being considered. After deliberation with the County and between the CMU’s, it was determined that a mid-year allocation be requested of USBR in the amount of 40% or 10,285.6 AF of the annual 25,714 AF operational yield. Each CMU would receive its prorated share of the mid-year allocation in accordance with the Master Contract.

USBR approved a 40% mid-year allocation adjustment on April 7, 2017 based on available Project water in storage with concurrence by the Cachuma Member Units. ID1 took its first delivery of its share 1,060 AF of Cachuma Project water. A formal letter will authorize deliveries for the remainder of this year and next year’s allocation of 40%.

SB County Water Agency has requested the Cachuma Member Units provide an allocation for WY 2017/18 in order to submit to USBR in accordance with the Master Contract. The Water Agency reacquired its responsibility from COMB and is now acting on behalf of the Member Units. The allocation requests are tied to the capital component of the Project, which was paid off in 2015; however USBR is still requesting the allocations for accounting purposes. As previously agreed, USBR anticipates a 40% delivery next water year but there will be a statement in the request for a mid-year allocation modification should the rainfall season produce inflow. ID No.1’s allocation request is due June 23, 2017.

ID No.1 submitted its 2017-2018 40% allocation request and reserving its right for an increased allocation with an increase in water in storage.

A formal resolution to the inequities is expected with the accounting for new water in Cachuma and as part of the allocation process. ID1 has a second letter to Reclamation prepared in part by Stetson Engineers to be sent late in the week of April 10, 2017.



On May 30, 2017, a formal letter to USBR from the District requested a reconciliation of water supply inequities that occurred from 2011 to 2017 associated with carryover evaporation charges, tunnel accretions, and un-accounted for water. ID1 requested that water be credited to its account. Neither USBR nor the County has responded.

A meeting was held with USBR and Santa Barbara County Water Agency on October 12, 2017 with no resolution.

ID#1 met with USBR Mid-Pacific Region and Area Office Directors and management on January 18, 2018 to discuss contract options. A follow up meeting with the Area Office staff is schedule for the end of February.

Management was recently informed by the SCCAO Manager that USBR staff met with SB County representatives on Monday, March 12, 2018 to discuss the 2020 contract. This meeting did not include any Cachuma Member Unit representatives. The latest conversation with the SB County Water Agency Manager Fray Crease, on Thursday March 8, she indicated that the County would not accept or consider any other contracting arrangement; only the current USBR and SB County Master Contract. ID No.1 has had several meetings with USBR in order to seek contract options. No final determination has been made by USBR.

Management is meeting with USBR Regional Director on May 9, 2018 to continue discussions of contracting options.

ID No.1 management met with the USBR Regional Director, two Deputy Directors and staff to continue to promote contracting option for the upcoming Water Service Contract in 2020. USBR will explore a contract assignment as well as a multi-party contract.

No response from USBR regarding contract options.

On September 10, 2018, the Cachuma Member Units were informed that a Basis of Negotiations with the inclusion of Section 4011 of the WIIN Act was forwarded by USBR SCCAO to the USBR Denver Service Center in June 2018. SB County Water Agency confirmed the inclusion but no notification was provided to the Cachuma Member Units. ID No.1 is still awaiting contracting options.

Santa Barbara County continues to cancel meetings with the Cachuma Member Units regarding the new contract terms and conditions updates and interactions with USBR.

**No additional information has been made available from USBR or the Water Agency to the Member Units regarding the 2020 Water Service Contract. A Grand Jury inquiry is underway requesting information from ID1 regarding contract renewal.**

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The Exchange Agreement between ID1 and the south coast Cachuma Member Units is dependent on two factors: 1) Cachuma Project water availability and allocation to ID1; and, 2) Sufficient and equal amount of South Coast SWP water to exchange with ID1. Because there is zero allocation of Cachuma Project water, the Exchange Agreement remains inactive. Once USBR determines a mid-year allocation, all ID No.1's Cachuma allocation will be exchanged for an equal amount of the south coast participants SWP water.



With the mid-year allocation in water year 2016-17, ID1 will have 1,060 AF of its Cachuma Project available supply to exchange from April 7, 2017 to September 30, 2017. The Exchange water will be balance with the first priority Article 21 water and the MetWD exchange.

Currently, the Cachuma Exchange water is occurring with this year's 40% allocation and beginning on October 1<sup>st</sup>, the new water year, there will be 1,042 AF of water exchanged.

USBR issued its allocation on November 4, 2017 of a 40% delivery to the Member Units retroactive to October 1, 2017. A mid-year adjustment would be considered based on precipitation and runoff in the lake.

With a 20% delivery allocation from the SWP and the reduced allocation from USBR, the South Coast will have enough SWP to effectuate the Exchange Agreement this year. Should the SWP allocation be reduced as was anticipated to 10%, this would cause an exchange shortage.

With 35% SWP allocation the south coast will have enough SWP water to exchange 532 AF of ID No.1's Cachuma project allocation this water year.

The SWP/Cachuma exchange is expected to begin in April 2019 with the 70% SWP allocation and 100% delivery of Cachuma Project Water.

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Contract Number 175r-1802R (Master Contract) expires in 2020 for water service to the Cachuma Member Units (CMU's). The County Water initiated discussions with USBR on November 18, 2016 regarding the process and protocols for negotiations of a new water service contract. The Water Agency has been coordinating with the CMU's over the past month and prepared a "charter" or guideline paper for the formation of Steering Committee that will work on activities related to the negotiation process along with the terms and conditions of such water service contract. The Water Agency requested input from the CMU's. Upcoming meetings are scheduled over the next few months.

The Water Agency will bring its charter to begin the contracting process and provide a report to the Board of Directors of the SBWFC&WCD on May 2, 2017. At this time, none of the CMU's concur with the contracting arrangement.

At the May 2 County Board of Directors meeting to approve and authorize the Chair to sign a letter to the United States Bureau of Reclamation to request renewal of the Water Service Contract for the Cachuma Project and initiate negotiations with the United States Bureau of Reclamation, there were comments provided by ID1, the City of Santa Barbara and Carpinteria Valley WD opposing this action until such time to allow to explore contract options and engage all the Cachuma Member Units in this process. As stated by the County, this is a process between County and the USBR but the County will allow one representative of the CMU's to attend meetings between USBR and the County only. Director Hartmann indicated that the County's purpose in renegotiating this contract is to protect the downstream interests, the environment, and public trust resources. Other discussion related to the County's role in water supply. The north County Directors did not care about this action. The letter and action was approved 5-0.

The County is now scheduling "private" meetings with USBR beginning in May and June and to initiate negotiations. The CMU's are not included until the public meetings are scheduled.

Meetings are now being organized by the Member Unit managers regarding the County's action and its process.



**No technical sessions or negotiation meetings with Reclamation or the County are schedule as of May 22, 2019.**

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USBR will be conducting its 5-year inspection of water records and compliance with the Master and Member Unit Contracts. USBR representatives from the Regional office, South Central California Area Office and Denver Services will be at ID No.1 on September 19, 2012. USBR has transferred water conservation division to the Mid-Pacific region. District staff will be meeting with MP region staff to discuss conservation plans and exemptions applicable to the District. USBR provided a draft CCR checklist on November 8, 2012 indicating that ID No.1 complies with all elements of the Master Contract.

USBR solicitor has determined that in accordance with Master Contract and specifically under CVPIA criteria (although ID No.1 is not in the CVP), ID No.1 is required to prepare and submit to USBR a water conservation plan for its Project Water; 863 AF annually of M&I water and separately for 1,788 AF of Irrigation water. The District has other sources of local water supply (Uplands groundwater and licenses in the SY River) that are not under the jurisdiction of USBR and not within the Master Contract or CVPIA which are not reportable in a USBR water conservation plan.

The District is completing its updated and required draft water conservation plan and best management practices (BMP's) for submittal to USBR. This will require revisions to incorporate the City of Solvang because the District's boundaries for water service include the City's residents.

The conservation plan update was submitted to Reclamation in March 2015.

USBR through the CUWCC is requesting further water conservation and BMP information within ID No.1's service area.

USBR will be conducting its 5-year inspection of water records and compliance with the Master and Member Unit Contracts. USBR representatives from the Regional office, South Central California Area Office and Denver Services will be at ID No.1 on August 23 and 24, 2016. ID No.1 submitted comments and provided further information to USBR by September 6, 2016.

ID No.1 will be preparing and submitting the USBR required crop report update by the May 1, 2018 deadline.

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CA-7. Actions taken during emergency situation in New York/Washington DC on September 11, 2001

DHS has distributed the Terrorist Threat Reporting Guide for Critical Infrastructure. This is a joint guidance document distributed by Federal Homeland Security and FBI for Owners and Operators of critical infrastructure. **No advisories are in effect.**



SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, ID#1 -- 2019 DELIVERY

30-Apr-19

Delivery Schedule 2019	Allocation AF	New Cachuma WY												Delivery Total
		Actual Jan	Actual Feb	Actual Mar	Actual Apr	Planned May	Planned Jun	Planned Jul	Planned Aug	Planned Sep	Planned Oct	Planned Nov	Planned Dec	
Table "A" Entitlement/1	350	0	0	0	25	40	50	60	60	50	40	20	0	345
Drought Buffer	140	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exchange less Cach Park /2	2625	0	0	0	163	350	525	515	535	515	220	55	0	2603
Carryover/Article 21/ Solvang	0	0	0	0	0	10	20	30	30	15	0	40	0	145
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3115</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3093</b>
Cachuma Park/3	26	1	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	26
River Wells - 6.0 CFS		65	2	64	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	181
River Wells - 4.0 CFS		42	3	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	84
Upland Wells		0	60	44	68	163	41	138	92	20	187	229	98	1140
<b>Total Production</b>		<b>108</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>565</b>	<b>639</b>	<b>746</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>4523</b>

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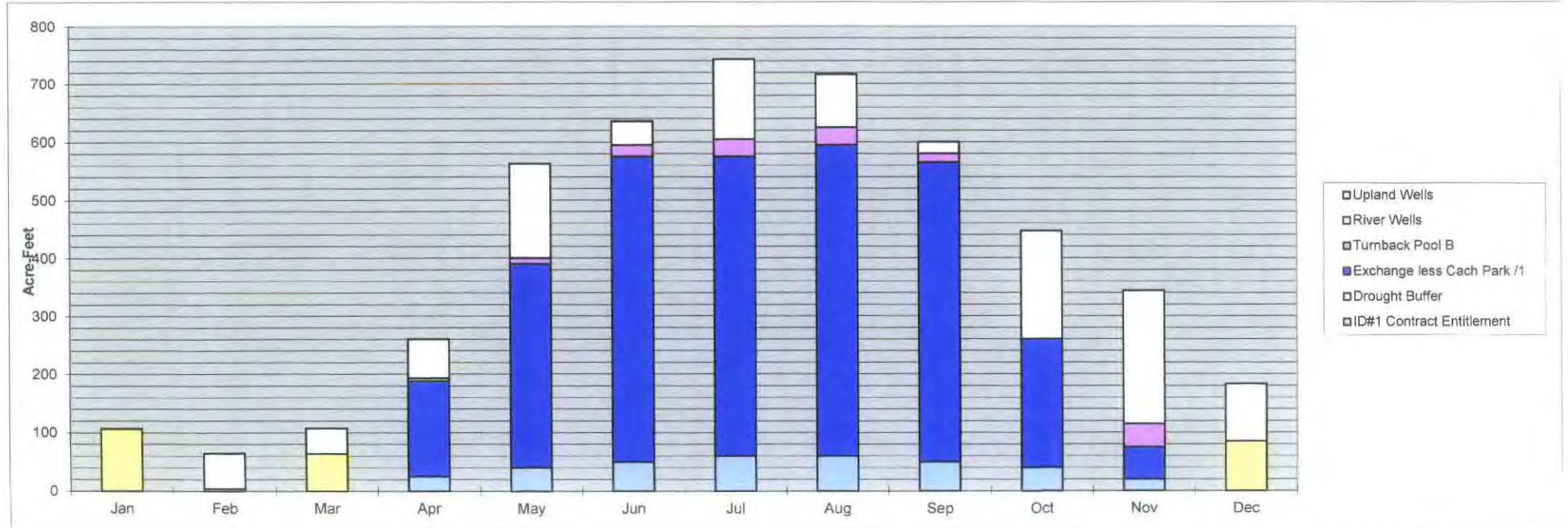
Cachuma Project 100% or 2,651 AF as of April 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019. A mid-year allocation.

Note /2 Blue text: Cachuma Exchange water available from Oct 1, 2018-19 w/ 100% Allocation.

**Cachuma Project Total Allocation for WY2018-19 is 2,651 AF plus 40 AF carryover 2018.**

South Coast MU must provide full Exchange amount;

Note /3 Cachuma Project water estimated delivery to SB County Park of Cachuma Water year 2018-19 is 26 af.







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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
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APRIL 2019

LAKE CACHUMA DAILY OPERATIONS

RUN DATE: May 1, 2019

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		IN LAKE	CHANGE				TUNNEL	HILTON CREEK	OUTLET	SPILLWAY				
1	738.48	151,753												
1	738.61	152,091	+338	389.3	0.0	.0	11.6	5.9	7.7	.0	26.1	.150	.00	
2	738.72	152,380	+289	352.8	0.0	.0	20.6	5.9	7.7	.0	29.6	.170	.00	
3	738.81	152,617	+237	283.9	0.0	10.9	23.4	5.9	7.6	.0	20.9	.120	.05	
4	738.88	152,801	+184	246.8	0.0	.0	23.1	5.9	7.6	.0	26.2	.150	.00	
5	738.96	153,011	+210	268.5	0.0	.0	23.9	5.9	7.7	.0	21.0	.120	.00	
6	739.04	153,222	+211	267.3	0.0	.0	23.4	5.9	7.7	.0	19.3	.110	.00	
7	739.12	153,432	+210	303.6	0.0	.0	46.7	5.9	7.7	.0	33.3	.190	.00	
8	739.19	153,590	+158	253.7	0.0	.0	47.1	5.9	7.6	.0	35.1	.200	.00	
9	739.24	153,748	+158	248.2	0.0	.0	47.6	5.9	8.6	.0	28.1	.160	.00	
10	739.27	153,827	+79	189.9	0.0	.0	46.5	5.9	7.6	.0	50.9	.290	.00	
11	739.31	153,932	+105	207.9	0.0	.0	47.1	5.9	7.7	.0	42.2	.240	.00	
12	739.35	154,037	+105	226.2	0.0	.0	49.6	5.9	7.7	.0	58.0	.330	.00	
13	739.40	154,169	+132	227.8	0.0	.0	47.1	5.9	7.6	.0	35.2	.200	.00	
14	739.45	154,301	+132	224.9	0.0	.0	47.6	5.9	7.7	.0	31.7	.180	.00	
15	739.50	154,432	+131	204.7	0.0	.0	46.2	5.9	7.5	.0	14.1	.080	.00	
16	739.53	154,511	+79	173.7	0.0	.0	45.9	5.9	7.7	.0	35.2	.200	.00	
17	739.56	154,590	+79	185.9	0.0	.0	47.5	5.9	7.7	.0	45.8	.260	.00	
18	739.60	154,695	+105	201.1	0.0	.0	47.3	5.9	7.6	.0	35.3	.200	.00	
19	739.63	154,774	+79	163.5	0.0	.0	46.3	5.9	7.6	.0	24.7	.140	.00	
20	739.65	154,828	+54	164.8	0.0	.0	49.6	5.9	7.7	.0	47.6	.270	.00	
21	739.68	154,908	+80	145.5	0.0	.0	28.8	6.0	7.7	.0	23.0	.130	.00	
22	739.70	154,961	+53	167.9	0.0	.0	64.3	5.9	7.6	.0	37.1	.210	.00	
23	739.72	155,014	+53	147.3	0.0	.0	45.4	5.9	7.7	.0	35.3	.200	.00	
24	739.75	155,094	+80	181.8	0.0	.0	42.4	5.9	7.6	.0	45.9	.260	.00	
25	739.77	155,148	+54	152.2	0.0	.0	42.2	5.9	7.7	.0	42.4	.240	.00	
26	739.80	155,228	+80	139.5	0.0	.0	23.0	5.9	7.6	.0	23.0	.130	.00	
27	739.82	155,281	+53	141.0	0.0	.0	24.9	5.9	7.7	.0	49.5	.280	.00	
28	739.83	155,308	+27	92.3	0.0	.0	23.5	5.9	7.6	.0	28.3	.160	.00	
29	739.86	155,388	+80	128.7	0.0	13.3	22.7	5.9	8.6	.0	24.8	.140	.06	
30	739.87	155,414	+26	70.5	0.0	.0	23.0	5.9	6.8	.0	8.8	.050	.00	
<b>TOTAL (AF)</b>			<b>+3,661</b>	<b>6,151.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>24.2</b>	<b>1,128.3</b>	<b>177.1</b>	<b>230.6</b>	<b>.0</b>	<b>978.4</b>	<b>5.560</b>	<b>.11</b>	
<b>(AVG)</b>		<b>154,224</b>												

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MAY 2019

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DAY	ELEV	STORAGE		COMPUTED* INFLOW AF.	CCWA INFLOW AF.	PRECIP ON RES. SURF. AF.	RELEASE - AF.			EVAP AF.	PRECIP INCH	PRECIP INCHES	
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2	739.91	155,468	+54	121.1	0.0	.0	23.1	5.9	7.6	.0	30.5	.170	.00
3	739.93	155,521	+53	123.2	0.0	.0	24.4	5.9	7.6	.0	32.3	.180	.00
4	739.94	155,574	+53	132.5	0.0	.0	21.9	5.9	8.7	.0	43.0	.240	.00
5	739.94	155,601	+27	99.8	0.0	.0	23.4	5.9	7.6	.0	35.9	.200	.00
6	739.94	155,601	+0	73.1	0.0	.0	23.6	5.9	7.7	.0	35.9	.200	.00
7	739.96	155,654	+53	109.9	0.0	.0	23.6	5.9	7.7	.0	19.7	.110	.00
8	739.97	155,681	+27	85.1	0.0	4.4	23.9	5.9	7.6	.0	25.1	.140	.02
9	739.98	155,707	+26	100.8	0.0	.0	23.5	5.9	7.7	.0	37.7	.210	.00
10	739.98	155,707	+0	71.9	0.0	.0	24.3	5.9	7.6	.0	34.1	.190	.00
11	739.99	155,734	+27	81.1	0.0	.0	22.6	5.9	7.7	.0	17.9	.100	.00
12	740.02	155,814	+80	101.7	0.0	46.6	24.2	5.9	7.7	.0	30.5	.170	.21
13	740.04	155,867	+53	127.3	0.0	.0	23.0	5.9	7.7	.0	37.7	.210	.00
14	740.04	155,867	+0	82.3	0.0	.0	23.9	5.9	7.6	.0	44.9	.250	.00
15	740.04	155,867	+0	78.6	0.0	.0	23.7	5.9	7.7	.0	41.3	.230	.00
16	740.04	155,867	+0	73.0	0.0	.0	23.6	5.9	7.6	.0	35.9	.200	.00
17	740.08	155,947	+80	91.8	0.0	88.7	24.0	5.9	7.7	.0	62.9	.350	.40
18	740.05	155,894	-53	3.0	0.0	2.2	23.1	5.9	7.6	.0	21.6	.120	.01
19	740.07	155,921	+27	112.5	0.0	.0	23.4	5.9	7.7	.0	48.5	.270	.00
20	740.13	156,107	+186	111.7	0.0	137.6	17.3	6.0	7.6	.0	32.4	.180	.62
21	740.14	156,134	+27	41.8	0.0	33.3	16.5	6.0	7.6	.0	18.0	.100	.15
22	740.17	156,214	+80	152.8	0.0	.0	16.1	5.9	7.6	.0	43.2	.240	.00
<b>TOTAL (AF)</b>			<b>+800</b>	<b>1,975.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>312.8</b>	<b>473.1</b>	<b>124.1</b>	<b>161.6</b>	<b>.0</b>	<b>729.0</b>	<b>4.060</b>	<b>1.41</b>
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# CIMIS Daily Report

Rendered in ENGLISH Units.

Monday, April 1, 2019 - Tuesday, April 30, 2019

Printed on Wednesday, May 1, 2019

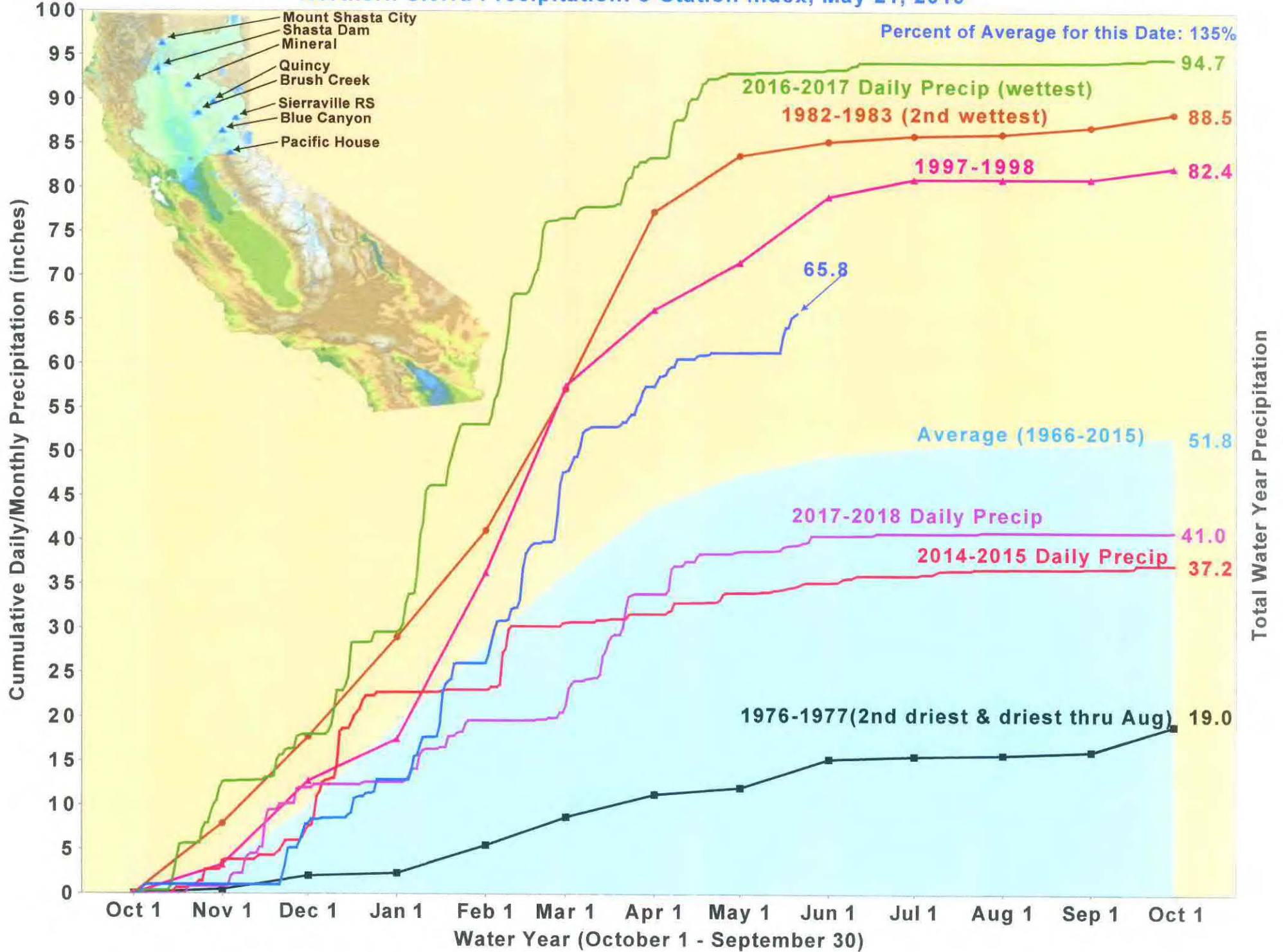
## Santa Ynez - Central Coast Valleys - Station 64

Date	ETo (in)	Precip (in)	Sol Rad (Ly/day)	Avg Vap Pres (mBars)	Max Air Temp (°F)	Min Air Temp (°F)	Avg Air Temp (°F)	Max Rel Hum (%)	Min Rel Hum (%)	Avg Rel Hum (%)	Dew Point (°F)	Avg Wind Speed (mph)	Wind Run (miles)	Avg Soil Temp (°F)
4/1/2019	0.17	0.00	496	11.6	82.8	44.7	61.7	97	22	52	48.5	3.2	77.4	63.2
4/2/2019	0.15	0.00	493	12.8	72.1	51.0	59.0	96	41	75	51.0	4.8	114.1	64.0
4/3/2019	0.12	0.00	428	12.7	68.2	49.8	57.8	95	59	77	50.8	3.9	93.1	64.2
4/4/2019	0.10	0.00	337	11.8	63.5	49.5	56.4	91	59	76	49.0	4.7	112.3	64.1
4/5/2019	0.10	0.00	358	11.8	67.8	42.0	55.4	98	57	78	48.8	3.9	93.2	63.0
4/6/2019	0.18	0.00	571	13.1	75.0	52.3	60.7	94	47	72	51.7	4.9	117.2	63.4
4/7/2019	0.18	0.00	519	14.2	85.5	53.9 Y	63.9 Y	93	34	70 Y	54.0 Y	4.6	111.5	65.1
4/8/2019	0.15	0.00	453	15.1 Y	80.0	51.9	64.3 Y	96	52	74 Y	55.7 Y	4.0	95.8	66.1
4/9/2019	0.22	0.00	591	11.8	72.0	51.2	60.3	94	36	66	48.8	9.5 R	226.6 R	66.5
4/10/2019	0.24	0.00	629	8.5	76.1	46.2	59.5	84	17	49	40.3	7.8 Y	188.1 Y	65.8
4/11/2019	0.19	0.00	538	10.1	75.2	39.2	55.1	94	33	68	44.7	6.1	145.7	65.4
4/12/2019	0.20	0.00	620	10.9	71.7	46.3	56.7	94	43	69	46.7	6.2	150.0	65.1
4/13/2019	0.21	0.00	625	9.8	83.5	40.9	60.3	100	20	55	44.0	3.8	90.1	65.7
4/14/2019	0.20	0.00	604	11.0	80.8	41.6	59.5	95	22	63	47.0	4.0	96.6	66.8
4/15/2019	0.17	0.00	541	12.3	72.8	50.7	58.3	96	48	74	50.1	4.6	109.8	67.4
4/16/2019	0.17 R	0.01	559	11.9	68.6	47.0	57.3	92	47	74	49.1	5.2	124.2	67.7
4/17/2019	0.21	0.00	641	11.0	84.3	41.5	59.7	98	20	63	47.1	3.9	94.3	67.5
4/18/2019	0.23	0.00	642	12.7	87.5	44.1	65.6 Y	95	27	59 Y	50.8 Y	3.7	89.3	68.5
4/19/2019	0.19	0.00	597	14.6	79.5	52.0	61.4	100	51	78	54.6	4.6	110.0	70.0
4/20/2019	0.11	0.00	384	12.6	68.6	51.7	57.3	97	58	79	50.7	4.9	117.7	69.9
4/21/2019	0.20	0.00	667 R	11.1	71.9	46.6	57.3	87	42	69	47.3	5.3	127.8	68.9
4/22/2019	0.20	0.00	646	12.5	76.6	48.3	59.3	93	48	73	50.5	4.4	105.6	69.6
4/23/2019	0.24	0.00	669	11.2	91.4	43.3	65.0	97	22	53	47.4	3.7	89.1	70.3
4/24/2019	0.23	0.00	671	14.0	88.4	46.4	65.8	94	34	64	53.5	3.5	84.1	71.3
4/25/2019	0.22	0.00	651	15.2 Y	84.8	50.5	64.1	100	43	74 Y	55.8 Y	4.1	99.4	72.3
4/26/2019	0.19	0.00	599	15.1 Y	79.8	52.9	61.7	100	51	80 Y	55.6 Y	4.0	96.3	72.8
4/27/2019	0.15	0.00	512	13.9	74.6	52.1	59.4	98	53	80	53.4	3.8	91.5	72.7
4/28/2019	0.11	0.00	389	13.7	67.5	51.8	57.8	97	67	84	52.9	4.1	99.3	71.8
4/29/2019	0.06	0.03	222	13.4	65.3	55.0	58.7	95	64	79	52.3	4.0	96.0	70.6
4/30/2019	0.17	0.00	514	11.6	69.9	53.9	59.2	83	48	67	48.4	5.1	121.6	69.2
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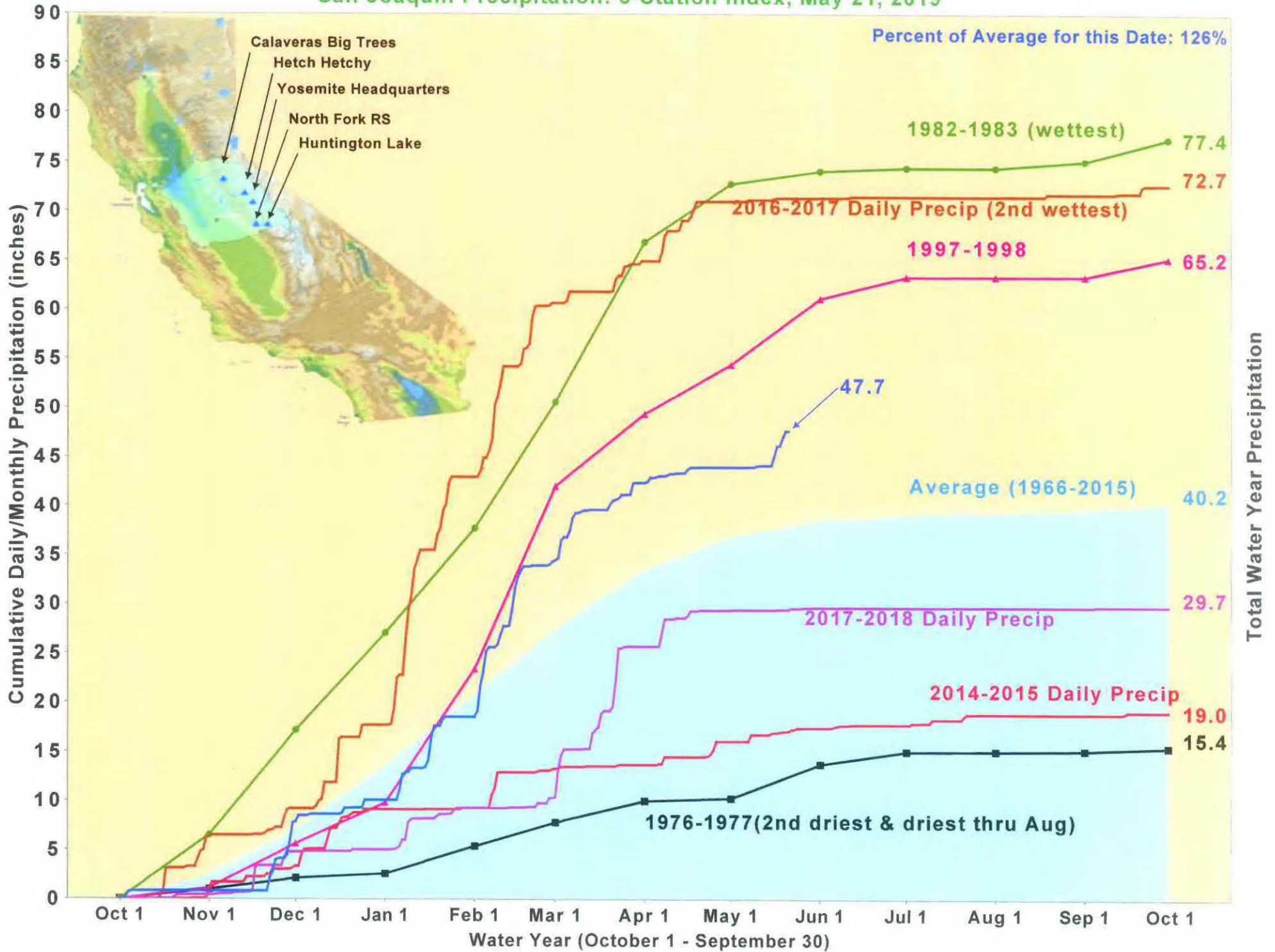
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**MEETING NOTICE**

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

will be held at 8:45 a.m., on Thursday, April 25, 2019  
at 255 Industrial Way, Buellton, California

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING OF THE  
COMMITTEE AND A VOTE MAY BE TAKEN FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
RECOMMENDING ACTION BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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- 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. \* Minutes of the October 25, 2018 Meeting of the Finance Committee and Special Meeting of the Board of Directors**
- IV. \* FY 2018/19 Third Quarter Investment Report**
- V. \* Annual Review of the CCWA Investment Policy**
- VI. Reports from Committee Members for Information Only**
- VII. Items for Next Regular Meeting Agenda**
  - A. FY 2018/19 Fourth Quarter Investment Report
- VIII. Date of Next Regular Meeting: July 25, 2019**
- IX. Adjournment**

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- III. **Consent Calendar**
  - \* A. Approve Minutes of the March 28, 2019 Regular Meeting
  - \* B. Approve Bills
  - \* C. Controller’s Report
  - \* D. Operations Report
- IV. **Executive Director’s Report**
  - A. CCWA Water Supply Situation Report
  - ◆ B. Finance Committee
    1. FY 2018/19 Third Quarter Investment Report
    2. Annual Review of the CCWA Investment Policy
  - \* C. Final FY 2019/20 Budget
  - \* D. Annual Chemical Contract Negotiations
  - \* E. Santa Ynez Pumping Plant, Tank Sites #2 and #5 Pavement Maintenance Project
- V. **Reports from Board Members for Information Only**
- VI. **Items for Next Regular Meeting Agenda**
- VII. **Date of Next Regular Meeting: May 23, 2019**
- VIII. **Adjournment**

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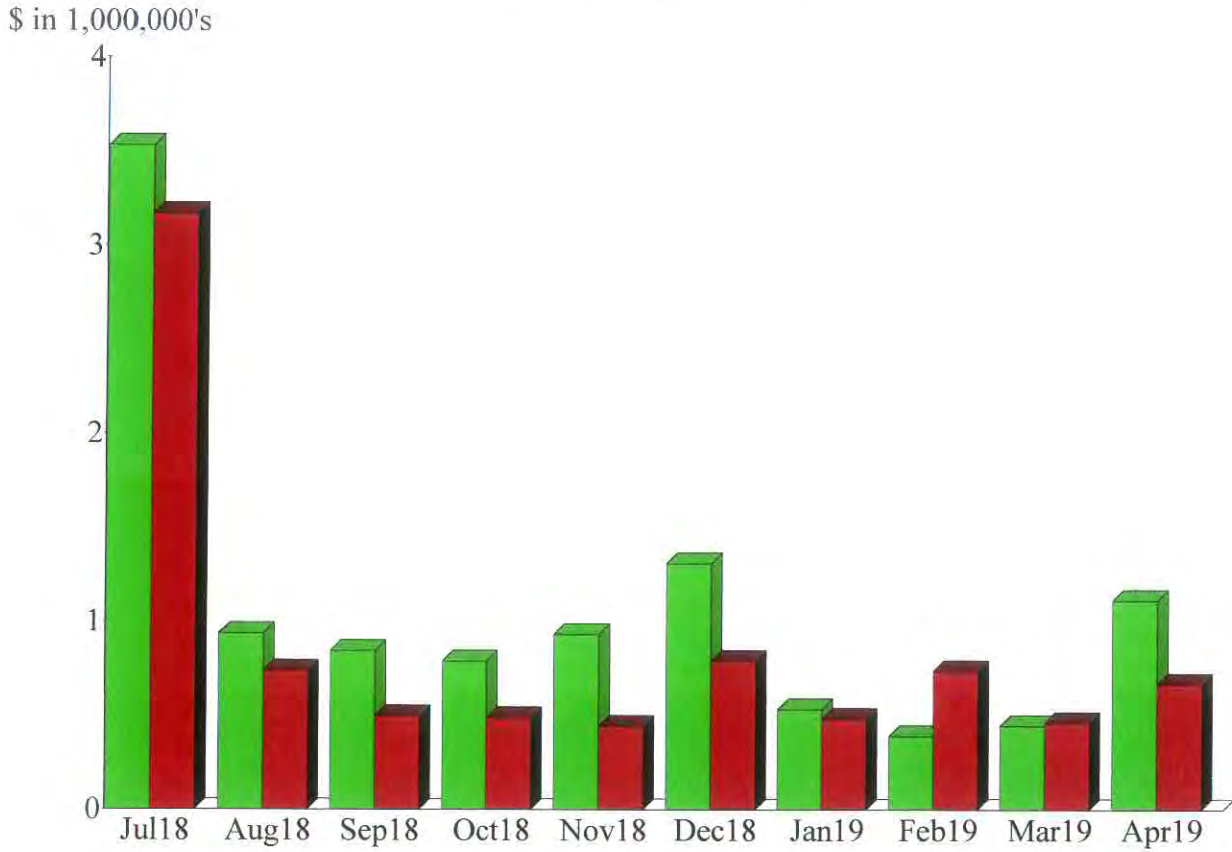
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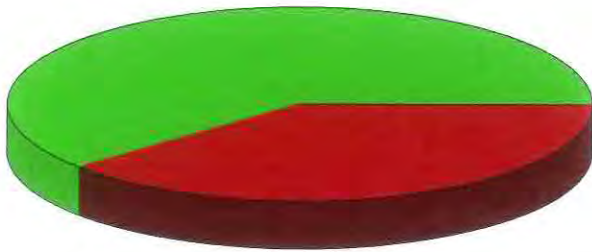
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Income Summary  
July 2018 through April 2019

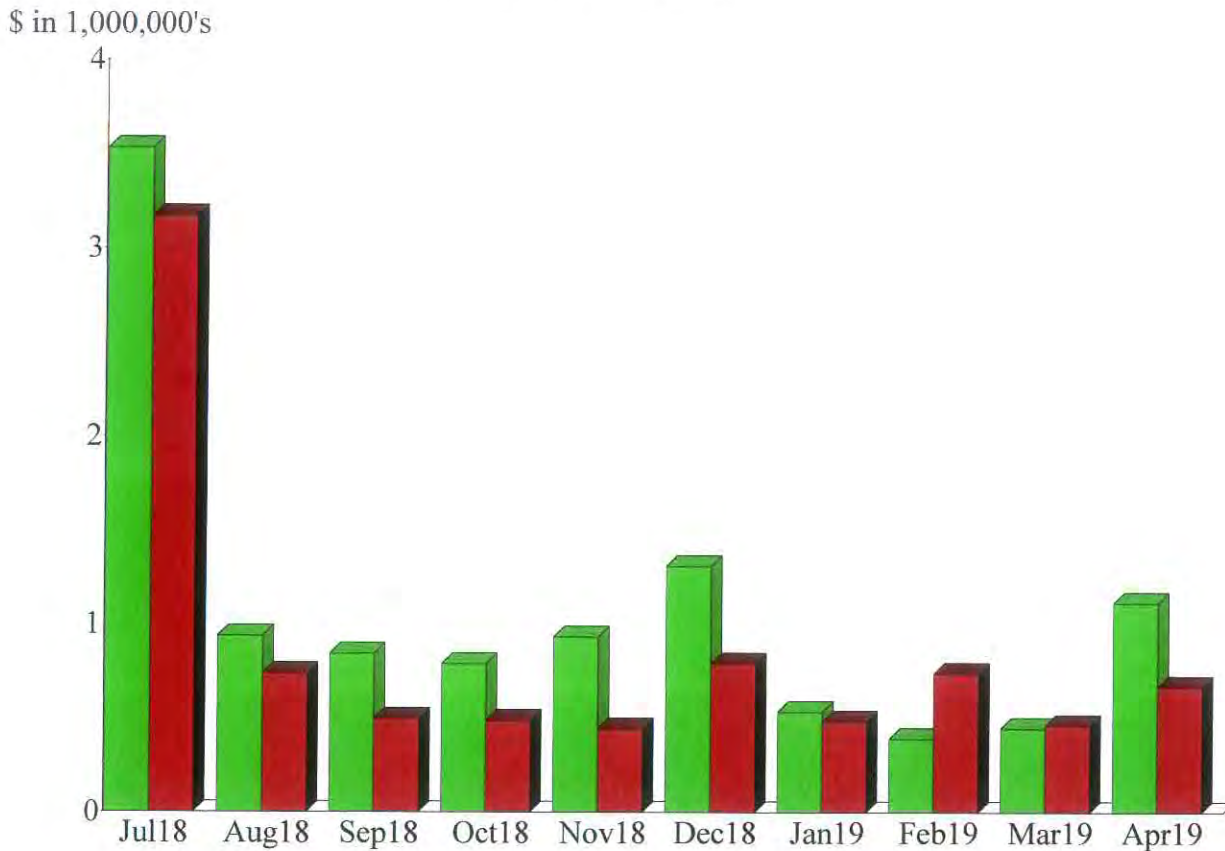
600000 · SERVICE & SALES REVENUE	61.58%
625000 · ASSESSMENTS, FEES & OTHER	38.42
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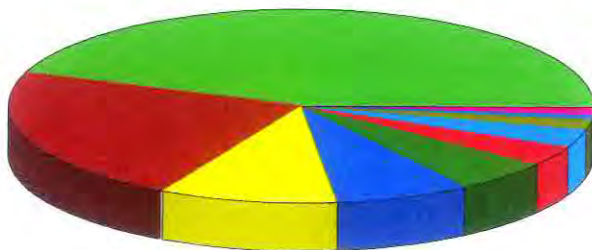
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Expense Summary  
July 2018 through April 2019

702000	SOURCE OF SUPPLY EXPENSES	44.71%
770000	GENERAL & ADMIN EXPENSE	22.61
750000	TRANSMISSION & DIST. EXPENSES	10.00
900100	Constr in Progress CY	7.61
725000	PUMPING EXPENSES	5.48
800000	LEGAL/ENGINEERING	3.40
825000	STUDIES	3.15
900370	Capital Expense - CY	1.64
710000	INFRASTRUCTURE EXPENSES	0.94
740000	WATER TREATMENT EXPENSES	0.46
Total		\$8,486,412.86



By Account



**Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District ID #1**  
**Statement of Revenues & Expenses**  
 April 2019

	Apr 19	Mar 19	% Change	Jul '18 - Apr 19
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
<b>600000 · SERVICE &amp; SALES REVENUE</b>				
<b>WATER SALES INCOME</b>				
601000 · Water Sales - Agri.	67,863.27	31,334.62	116.58%	703,543.76
602000 · Water Sales - Domestic	348,889.30	235,131.43	48.38%	3,503,292.79
602100 · Water Sales - RRLmtd Ag.	199,261.19	120,329.08	65.6%	1,912,211.22
602200 · Water Sales - Cach Pk	1,313.78	655.26	100.5%	13,210.02
604000 · Water Sales - Temp.	133.65	0.00	100.0%	3,254.85
606000 · Water Sales - Solvang	4,305.70	4,305.70	0.0%	291,896.44
608000 · Water Sales - On-Demand	1,142.49	1,122.69	1.76%	39,622.84
611500 · Fire Service Fees	8,041.51	25,458.58	-68.41%	99,968.79
<b>Total WATER SALES INCOME</b>	<b>630,950.89</b>	<b>418,337.36</b>	<b>50.82%</b>	<b>6,567,000.71</b>
<b>SERVICE INCOME</b>				
611100 · New Service Fees	0.00	7,200.86	-100.0%	49,642.39
611200 · Reconnection Fees	2,400.00	2,475.00	-3.03%	27,750.00
612400 · Penalties	1,402.84	1,450.19	-3.27%	26,767.63
<b>Total SERVICE INCOME</b>	<b>3,802.84</b>	<b>11,126.05</b>	<b>-65.82%</b>	<b>104,160.02</b>
<b>Total 600000 · SERVICE &amp; SALES REVENUE</b>	<b>634,753.73</b>	<b>429,463.41</b>	<b>47.8%</b>	<b>6,671,160.73</b>
<b>625000 · ASSESSMENTS, FEES &amp; OTHER</b>				
611600 · Capital Facilities Chrg.	0.00	7,829.74	-100.0%	129,747.87
620006 · Reimbursed Field Labor	953.74	0.00	100.0%	2,763.88
620008 · Reimbursed Admin Labor	79.12	0.00	100.0%	1,210.68
624000 · Miscellaneous Revenue	15,980.05	5,843.90	173.45%	29,970.48
625200 · Administrative Fees	500.00	500.00	0.0%	4,252.00
627000 · Tax Revenue - Secured	388,551.42	0.00	100.0%	883,846.45
<b>628000 · INTEREST INCOME</b>				
629102 · Interest Income - Sep. Agr. Act	0.34	0.00	100.0%	0.34
629000 · Interest Income - LAIF	72,515.00	0.00	100.0%	182,349.66
629100 · Interest Income -PIMMA	283.27	320.26	-11.55%	6,012.37
630000 · Interest Income - Cking	3.09	3.95	-21.77%	24.37
<b>Total 628000 · INTEREST INCOME</b>	<b>72,801.70</b>	<b>324.21</b>	<b>22,355.11%</b>	<b>188,386.74</b>
634100 · Insurance Claims	0.00	3,974.06	-100.0%	3,974.06
890100 · SWP Pmt. from Solvang	0.00	0.00	0.0%	2,917,425.52
<b>Total 625000 · ASSESSMENTS, FEES &amp; OTHER</b>	<b>478,866.03</b>	<b>18,471.91</b>	<b>2,492.4%</b>	<b>4,161,577.68</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>1,113,619.76</b>	<b>447,935.32</b>	<b>148.61%</b>	<b>10,832,738.41</b>
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>				
<b>702000 · SOURCE OF SUPPLY EXPENSES</b>				
703000 · Cach. Water Entitlement	36,935.19	6,621.12	457.84%	157,725.85
704000 · State Water	59,251.34	59,470.78	-0.37%	686,162.85
705000 · Ground Water Charges	0.00	0.00	0.0%	20,826.47
707000 · River Well Field Licenses	0.00	0.00	0.0%	12,102.85
860000 · Solvang-SWPmt	0.00	0.00	0.0%	2,917,425.52
<b>Total 702000 · SOURCE OF SUPPLY EXPENSES</b>	<b>96,186.53</b>	<b>66,091.90</b>	<b>45.54%</b>	<b>3,794,243.54</b>

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<b>710000 · INFRASTRUCTURE EXPENSES</b>				
711000 · Maintenance - Wells	43.72	442.74	-90.13%	13,157.66
712000 · Maintenance - Mains	4,346.47	14,413.22	-69.84%	27,788.08
713000 · Maintenance - Reservoirs	5,237.75	580.52	802.25%	10,359.80
714000 · Maintenance - Structures	51.28	0.00	100.0%	1,311.28
717000 · Bradbury Dam SOD	0.00	0.00	0.0%	26,975.88
<b>Total 710000 · INFRASTRUCTURE EXPENSES</b>	<b>9,679.22</b>	<b>15,436.48</b>	<b>-37.3%</b>	<b>79,592.70</b>
<b>725000 · PUMPING EXPENSES</b>				
726000 · Pumping Expense (Power)	19,523.57	18,647.41	4.7%	461,659.78
730000 · Maintenance - Structures	11.54	252.81	-95.44%	2,641.37
732000 · Maintenance - Equipmt.	405.00	0.00	100.0%	405.00
<b>Total 725000 · PUMPING EXPENSES</b>	<b>19,940.11</b>	<b>18,900.22</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>464,706.15</b>
<b>740000 · WATER TREATMENT EXPENSES</b>				
744000 · Chemicals	0.00	0.00	0.0%	17,686.29
748000 · Maintenance - Equipment	0.00	15.93	-100.0%	733.27
748100 · Water Treatment - Equipm	2,749.27	8.61	31,831.13%	4,252.37
748200 · Water Sampling/Monitor	0.00	1,523.79	-100.0%	3,035.97
749000 · Water Analysis	3,800.00	250.00	1,420.0%	13,424.00
<b>Total 740000 · WATER TREATMENT EXPENSES</b>	<b>6,549.27</b>	<b>1,798.33</b>	<b>264.19%</b>	<b>39,131.90</b>
<b>750000 · TRANSMISSION &amp; DIST. EXPENSES</b>				
799501 · Uniforms T&D	1,677.12	1,295.92	29.42%	12,234.87
775401 · ACWA - Health Ins. (T&D)	19,079.08	17,599.83	8.41%	163,400.90
775201 · ACWA - Delta Dental (T&D)	856.60	665.61	28.69%	7,046.73
775301 · ACWA - Vision (T&D)	172.10	154.89	11.11%	1,342.38
751000 · Labor	47,544.31	46,744.86	1.71%	459,561.98
751100 · Labor / Vacation	270.91	895.09	-69.73%	61,809.76
751200 · Labor / Sick Leave	953.98	581.84	63.96%	19,765.37
752000 · Materials/Supplies				
752100 · Safety Equipment	9.69	2,248.66	-99.57%	3,577.82
752000 · Materials/Supplies - Other	31.54	2,440.66	-98.71%	6,976.34
<b>Total 752000 · Materials/Supplies</b>	<b>41.23</b>	<b>4,689.32</b>	<b>-99.12%</b>	<b>10,554.16</b>
753000 · SCADA Maintenance	1,080.00	270.00	300.0%	4,630.00
754000 · Small Tools	470.17	33.08	1,321.31%	5,680.08
754100 · Small Tools - Repairs	193.00	0.00	100.0%	688.47
755000 · Transportation	7,889.25	13,097.45	-39.77%	57,064.10
756000 · Meter Services	112.80	1,842.96	-93.88%	16,759.38
756100 · Meter Services - Repair	4,293.77	56.64	7,480.81%	14,697.49
757000 · Road Contracts	0.00	0.00	0.0%	54.00
758100 · Meter Reading (Sensus)	0.00	0.00	0.0%	1,608.51
759000 · Maintenance - Structures	2,553.58	586.53	335.37%	4,862.22
760000 · Fire Hydrants	1,222.07	26.38	4,532.56%	1,269.69
761000 · Backflow Devices	0.00	0.00	0.0%	85.00
762000 · Backhoe-Maintenance	1,031.65	0.00	100.0%	1,813.08
763000 · Generators/Maintenance	3,848.52	0.00	100.0%	3,848.52
<b>Total 750000 · TRANSMISSION &amp; DIST. EXPENSES</b>	<b>93,290.14</b>	<b>88,540.40</b>	<b>5.36%</b>	<b>848,776.69</b>
<b>Total COGS</b>	<b>225,645.27</b>	<b>190,767.33</b>	<b>18.28%</b>	<b>5,226,450.98</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>887,974.49</b>	<b>257,167.99</b>	<b>245.29%</b>	<b>5,606,287.43</b>



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Expense	Apr 19	Mar 19	% Change	Jul '18 - Apr 19
4000 · Reconciliation Discrepancies	0.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00
<b>770000 · GENERAL &amp; ADMIN EXPENSES</b>				
774000 Workers Comp. - Ins.	0.00	7,318.82	-100.0%	20,939.39
6560 · Payroll Expenses	36.00	36.00	0.0%	818.50
773000 · Elections	0.00	0.00	0.0%	5,599.62
775000 · PERS - Retirement	11,143.44	45,792.34	-75.67%	294,833.84
775200 · ACWA - Dental (Admin)	906.96	906.96	0.0%	8,782.72
775300 · ACWA - Vision (Admin)	172.10	172.10	0.0%	1,669.37
775400 · ACWA - Medical Insurance(Admin)	20,504.10	20,008.86	2.48%	197,085.54
776400 · Admin Leave - Exempt Employees	0.00	0.00	0.0%	11,480.40
777000 · Salaries - Administrative Staff	82,318.15	77,879.22	5.7%	809,113.16
777100 · Salaries / Vacation	2,271.94	1,787.24	27.12%	41,745.57
777200 · Salaries / Sick Leave	2,073.74	7,764.19	-73.29%	14,947.69
777300 · Admin - Sick Hr.Rate	174.56	1,041.42	-83.24%	3,684.59
777400 · Admin.- Vac. Hr.Rate	2,777.48	956.80	190.29%	9,035.64
778000 · Training, Travel & Conferences	-126.00	38.84	-424.41%	7,878.30
779000 · Dues,Subscrip,Certif.	531.00	0.00	100.0%	27,600.89
780000 · Building Maintenance	200.00	222.95	-10.29%	2,758.19
781000 · Office Supplies	1,269.04	490.92	158.5%	8,866.29
781100 · Computer Supply/Training/Softwr	0.00	2,065.94	-100.0%	4,341.64
782000 · Postage & Printing	3,355.56	3,295.72	1.82%	37,132.11
783000 · Utilities	663.70	813.33	-18.4%	7,924.97
784000 · Telephone	1,166.53	600.27	94.33%	8,340.37
785000 · Special Services	617.06	617.78	-0.12%	6,042.60
785100 · Government Fees	75.80	3,030.00	-97.5%	13,675.15
786000 · Insurance & Bonds	4,456.41	4,405.58	1.15%	48,446.32
787000 · Payroll Taxes	10,586.42	10,530.30	0.53%	96,827.25
788000 · Audit - Expenses				
788100 · General Accounting	0.00	0.00	0.0%	4,236.00
788000 · Audit - Expenses - Other	0.00	0.00	0.0%	26,000.00
<b>Total 788000 · Audit - Expenses</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>30,236.00</b>
789000 · Legal - Expenses Gen.	11,249.42	6,129.81	83.52%	59,321.52
790000 · Gen/Prfsnl Consultant Expenses	500.00	700.00	-28.57%	19,574.33
791000 · Planning & Research	0.00	0.00	0.0%	1,687.34
792000 · Bad Debts	1,097.76	0.00	100.0%	1,264.62
793000 · Office Equip. Service Contracts	1,417.68	2,828.53	-49.88%	25,143.16
794000 · Interest Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.0%	47,390.59
794100 · Annual Fee - Bond Fund	0.00	0.00	0.0%	1,375.00
797000 · Trustee Fees	1,800.00	3,600.00	-50.0%	23,860.00
799000 · Miscellaneous Expenses/Vendors	144.26	1,514.94	-90.48%	15,746.43
799500 · Uniform Service	17.14	514.36	-96.67%	713.91
799525 · Gardening Service	240.00	240.00	0.0%	2,400.00
799600 · Customer Refunds	0.00	0.00	0.0%	704.60
<b>Total 770000 · GENERAL &amp; ADMIN EXPENSES</b>	<b>161,640.25</b>	<b>205,303.22</b>	<b>-21.27%</b>	<b>1,918,987.61</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>161,640.25</b>	<b>205,303.22</b>	<b>-21.27%</b>	<b>1,918,987.61</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>726,334.24</b>	<b>51,864.77</b>	<b>1,300.44%</b>	<b>3,687,299.82</b>
<b>Other Income/Expense</b>				

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<b>Other Expense</b>				
<b>800000 · LEGAL/ENGINEERING</b>				
<b>800100 · Legal - BHFS</b>				
800101 · SWRCB 94-5 Hearing (BHFS)	5,730.50	0.00	100.0%	5,730.50
800102 · Sustainable Grndwtr Mgmt Act	0.00	0.00	0.0%	73.00
<b>Total 800100 · Legal - BHFS</b>	<b>5,730.50</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5,803.50</b>
<b>800200 · Legal -BB&amp;K/Consultants</b>				
800201 · NMFS Biop Recon/Stlhd Rcvry Pln	803.00	5,854.46	-86.28%	32,890.52
<b>Total 800200 · Legal -BB&amp;K/Consultants</b>	<b>803.00</b>	<b>5,854.46</b>	<b>-86.28%</b>	<b>32,890.52</b>
<b>800300 · Engineering</b>				
800301 · Groundwater/Downstream Wtr Right	0.00	0.00	0.0%	8,755.81
800300 · Engineering - Other	647.50	2,789.15	-76.79%	18,547.19
<b>Total 800300 · Engineering</b>	<b>647.50</b>	<b>2,789.15</b>	<b>-76.79%</b>	<b>27,303.00</b>
800500 · Unanticipated Spc Legal Expense	15,011.96	18,590.29	-19.25%	222,947.76
<b>Total 800000 · LEGAL/ENGINEERING</b>	<b>22,192.96</b>	<b>27,233.90</b>	<b>-18.51%</b>	<b>288,944.78</b>
<b>825000 · STUDIES</b>				
<b>825400 · CCRB (Shared Consultants)</b>				
825401 · Joint Bio Op Recon.-Consultants	36,890.07	1,260.67	2,826.23%	84,919.81
825402 · Joint SWRCB - Stet/Han/Entrix	2,237.00	0.00	100.0%	2,237.00
<b>Total 825400 · CCRB (Shared Consultants)</b>	<b>39,127.07</b>	<b>1,260.67</b>	<b>3,003.67%</b>	<b>87,156.81</b>
825500 · Hydrology SYR;RiverWare-Stetson	0.00	0.00	0.0%	4,819.90
<b>825600 · SB Co Water Agency</b>				
825601 · Integrated Regional Water Man.	0.00	0.00	0.0%	1,089.46
825600 · SB Co Water Agency - Other	0.00	0.00	0.0%	4,332.80
<b>Total 825600 · SB Co Water Agency</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>5,422.26</b>
825800 · BiOp Implementation	0.00	0.00	0.0%	167,500.00
825900 · WaterCad Model/Dst. System	0.00	2,519.00	-100.0%	2,519.00
<b>Total 825000 · STUDIES</b>	<b>39,127.07</b>	<b>3,779.67</b>	<b>935.2%</b>	<b>267,417.97</b>
<b>900100 · Constr in Progress CY</b>				
900335 · SWP Pump Station/Pipeline	0.00	0.00	0.0%	1,540.08
900332 · Water Treatment Plant/Fac	30.17	0.00	100.0%	12,340.17
900106 · Rehab/Rplc - Trans. Mains/Lats	1,373.44	0.00	100.0%	156,533.76
900150 · Mesa Verde Pump Station	0.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00
900170 · Well Field-6.0 CFS	0.00	0.00	0.0%	18,434.40
900183 · GIS Engineering	0.00	0.00	0.0%	1,749.17
900350 · Uplands Wells	128,807.77	36,750.45	250.49%	454,989.95
<b>Total 900100 · Constr in Progress CY</b>	<b>130,211.38</b>	<b>36,750.45</b>	<b>254.31%</b>	<b>645,587.53</b>
<b>900370 · Capital Expense - CY</b>				
900318 · Meter Replace/Utility Billing	0.00	0.00	0.0%	42,935.47
900373 · Fleet Vehicle Addition/Replace	82,263.00	0.00	100.0%	82,263.00
900375 · Computer Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.0%	4,993.68
900378 · Mjr. Tools, Shop & Garage Equip	7,064.48	0.00	100.0%	8,831.84
<b>Total 900370 · Capital Expense - CY</b>	<b>89,327.48</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>139,023.99</b>
<b>Total Other Expense</b>	<b>280,858.89</b>	<b>67,764.02</b>	<b>314.47%</b>	<b>1,340,974.27</b>
<b>Net Other Income</b>	<b>-280,858.89</b>	<b>-67,764.02</b>	<b>-314.47%</b>	<b>-1,340,974.27</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>445,475.35</b>	<b>-15,899.25</b>	<b>2,901.86%</b>	<b>2,346,325.55</b>



**Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District ID #1**  
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Date	Num	Name	Amount
Apr 17 - May 29, 19			
04/19/2019	22211	Tierra Contracting, Inc.	\$ 51,683.97
04/30/2019	22212	ACWA/JPIA - Health - May Premium	\$ 43,484.63
04/30/2019	EFT	CA State Dept - April	\$ 1,013.00
04/30/2019	EFT	CalPERS - April	\$ 15,433.95
04/30/2019	EFT	Payroll - April 2019	\$ 98,181.43
04/30/2019	22213	B of A Business Card Services-CD	\$ 5,886.06
04/30/2019	22214	Wicks Solar Inc	\$ 1,899.00
11/18/2044	22215	ACWA/JPIA - Health - June Premium	\$ 37,623.85
05/29/2019	22216	All Around Landscape Supply	\$ 497.17
05/29/2019	22217	Ameravant Inc.	\$ 178.00
05/29/2019	22218	American Water Works Association	\$ 433.00
05/29/2019	22219	Aqua-Metric Sales Company	\$ 1,556.48
05/29/2019	22220	Aramark Uniform Serv Inc.	\$ 1,480.00
05/29/2019	22221	Autosys, Inc.	\$ 5,754.75
05/29/2019	22222	B of A Business Card Services-CD	\$ 523.71
05/29/2019	22223	Bell, McAndrews & Hiltachk, LLP	\$ 5,927.55
05/29/2019	22224	Bertin Pulido	\$ 7,272.00
05/29/2019	22225	Best Best & Krieger LLP	\$ 45,660.57
05/29/2019	22226	Breckenridge Property Fund 2106 LLC	\$ 10.10
05/29/2019	22227	Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber, Schreck	\$ 20,333.83
05/29/2019	22228	Buellflat Rock Company, Inc.	\$ 155.75
05/29/2019	22229	CCI Office Technologies	\$ 227.99
05/29/2019	22230	Central Coast Water-Authority/Solvang	\$ 2,980,008.05
05/29/2019	22231	Central Coast Water Authority	\$ 1,081,047.04
05/29/2019	22232	Chris Dahlstrom/Petty Cash	\$ 14.76
05/29/2019	22233	CIO Solutions, LP	\$ 2,041.68
05/29/2019	22234	Claxton Vineyards Limited	\$ 360.00
05/29/2019	22235	Clinical Lab of San Bernardino Inc.	\$ 6,515.00
05/29/2019	22236	Co S B/ Public Works Dept /Dump Chg	\$ 196.50
05/29/2019	22237	Coastal Copy	\$ 276.00
05/29/2019	22238	Comcast	\$ 288.87
05/29/2019	22239	Continental Utility Solutions, Inc.	\$ 3,175.02
05/29/2019	22240	Dig Safe Board	\$ 25.47
05/29/2019	22241	DN Tanks, Inc.	\$ 4,000.00
05/29/2019	22242	Dudek & Associates, Inc.	\$ 36,300.45
05/29/2019	22243	Dunn School	\$ 17.00
05/29/2019	22244	Echo Communications	\$ 167.50
05/29/2019	22245	Empire Cleaning Supply	\$ 335.25
04/30/2019	EFT	Employment Dev. Dept - April Payroll Taxes	\$ 7,962.89
05/29/2019	22246	Fain Drilling & Pump Co, Inc.	\$ 76,245.10
05/29/2019	22247	Fat Cat Welding, Inc.	\$ 5,850.00
05/29/2019	22248	FedEx	\$ 56.54
05/29/2019	22249	Filippin Engineering	\$ 1,942.50
05/29/2019	22250	General Pavement Mangement	\$ 28,300.00

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Date	Num	Name	Amount
05/29/2019	22251	Hach Company	\$ 2,742.82
05/29/2019	22252	Harrison Hardware Inc	\$ 449.87
05/29/2019	22253	ICONIX Waterworks (US) Inc.	\$ 6,162.75
05/29/2019	22254	Inklings Printing Co.	\$ 173.70
05/29/2019	22255	Iron Mountain	\$ 65.37
05/29/2019	22256	IVR Technology Group, LLC	\$ 78.87
05/29/2019	22257	J. Winther Chevron, Inc.	\$ 100.70
05/29/2019	22258	Jan-Pro Cleaning Systems	\$ 200.00
05/29/2019	22259	JANO Printing & Mailworks	\$ 3,299.02
05/29/2019	22260	Jim Vreeland Ford	\$ 1,203.20
05/29/2019	22261	Joe Come'	\$ 120.00
04/30/2019	EFT	Lincoln Financial - April	\$ 1,100.00
05/29/2019	22262	McCormix Corp	\$ 3,180.11
05/29/2019	22263	Meadowlark Ranch Association	\$ 746.65
05/29/2019	22264	Mike's Tri-County Locksmiths	\$ 66.55
05/29/2019	22265	MRK INC - Santa Ynez Paint	\$ 31.24
05/29/2019	22266	Nextel/Sprint Communications	\$ 34.99
05/29/2019	22267	Nielsen Building Materials Inc	\$ 630.16
05/29/2019	22268	O'reilly Auto Parts	\$ 1,258.94
05/29/2019	22269	Office Depot	\$ 301.69
05/29/2019	22270	P G & E	\$ 24,919.72
05/29/2019	22271	Pacific Petroleum	\$ 13,592.59
05/29/2019	22272	Paeter Garcia	\$ 73.00
05/29/2019	22273	Praxair Distribution Inc	\$ 62.44
05/29/2019	22274	Quill	\$ 1,244.86
04/30/2019	EFT	Rabobank - April Payroll Taxes	\$ 35,985.84
05/29/2019	22275	R & M Enterprises	\$ 1,007.75
05/29/2019	22276	Red Wing Shoes	\$ 708.37
05/29/2019	22277	Santa Barbara County Clerk-Recorder-Asses	\$ 50.00
05/29/2019	22278	Santa Ynez High School	\$ 119.00
05/29/2019	22279	Signs of Success	\$ 506.80
05/29/2019	22280	SM FAMCON PIPE SUPPLY	\$ 4,292.95
05/29/2019	22281	Smiths Alarms & Electronics Inc	\$ 2,810.82
05/29/2019	22282	State Water Resources Control Board/Certs	\$ 70.00
05/29/2019	22283	Stetson Engineers Inc	\$ 5,308.15
05/29/2019	22284	Storey Motors	\$ -461.04
05/29/2019	22285	Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth	\$ 197.50
05/29/2019	22286	SYCSD	\$ 150.68
05/29/2019	22287	The Gas Company	\$ 23.62
05/29/2019	22288	The HON Company	\$ 912.20
05/29/2019	22289	Todd Pipe & Supply	\$ 620.94
05/29/2019	22290	Trustee/ Brad Joos	\$ 800.00
05/29/2019	22291	Trustee/ Harlan Burchardi	\$ 1,000.00
05/29/2019	22292	Trustee/ Jeff Clay	\$ 600.00
05/29/2019	22293	Trustee/ Lori Parker	\$ 200.00



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Date	Num	Name	Amount
05/29/2019	22294	Trustee/ Michael Burchardi	\$ 400.00
05/29/2019	22295	Underground Service Alert	\$ 90.85
05/29/2019	22296	United Rentals	\$ 6,751.63
05/29/2019	22297	US Postal Service/Fees & Rent	\$ 204.00
05/29/2019	22298	USA Bluebook	\$ 6,118.89
05/29/2019	22299	Valley Roll-Off Service	\$ 235.00
05/29/2019	22300	Verizon Wireless	\$ 842.67
05/29/2019	22301	Waste Management of Santa Maria	\$ 218.70
05/29/2019	22302	William J Brennan	\$ 500.00
05/29/2019	22303	Woodward Fence Inc	\$ 22,337.31
05/29/2019	22304	McCormix Corp	\$ 1,634.53
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>\$ 4,737,340.89</b>

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**To:** Board of Trustees

**From:** Chris Dahlstrom, General Manager  
Mary Martone, Administrative Manager

**Date:** May 29, 2019

**Subject:** Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget

**Agenda Item:** VIII.A.3

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## Budget in Summary

### FY 2019/2020 Preliminary Budget

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#### **Summary**

The District's fiscal year budget is one of the most important documents prepared by District management for the Board of Trustees. Through the process of planning and preparing the Budget, management compared the *2016 Water Rate Study* results with the prior year financial conditions and year-end outcomes, then forecasted the funding needs of the District in order to continue to provide water service, meet its regulatory requirements, and comply with its financial obligations throughout the fiscal year. This Board is then given the opportunity to determine a Budget suitable for approval that meets the District's administration, operations, maintenance programs, debt service and other financial commitments for the coming year.

The Preliminary Budget for FY2019/20 was developed from the Uniform System of Accounts for Water Utilities which includes a set of tables illustrating in detail all categories of revenues and expenditures of the District. The accounting for the budget is supported by the QuickBooks accounting system which is verified annually by an independent audit performed by Bartlett, Pringle & Wolf. The basis of the revenue table is the approved 2016 Water Rate Study reflecting the 5% increase in water revenues for FY2019/20 with adjustments based on the prior year-end budget projections as well as results of *actual* financial conditions occurring in FY2018/2019. The Budget tables show categories of the operating Revenues as compared to operating Expenditures with Debt Service and the Special Studies expenditures including compliance with the Endangered Species Act and Public Trust Resources (Fisheries) regulatory requirements, as well as State Water Resources Control Board water rights activities. The amount of expenses within these categories and the Construction-In-Progress expenditures is expected to be funded in part by operating Revenues and accumulated reserves.

The Budget tables are supported by textual explanation for each major revenue and expenditure category with the description of line item accounts that are notable or of specific interest to assist the public in understanding the District's budget and the Board in making its determination.



On October 26, 2016 the Board approved the Water Rate Study introducing a 15 percent usage rate adjustment on Domestic and Rural Residential/Limited Agricultural and a higher percentage on Agricultural usage, which the rate setting was approved on December 13, 2016 and became effective on February 1, 2017. The monthly meter charges remained static until January 2018 when increases were enacted.

The FY2018/19 rate adjustment in both usage rate and monthly meter charge was anticipated to increase revenues to \$7.861 million in that fiscal year; however due to hardened conservation across all classifications, new reduced standards of consumption, and all time historic low water demand, there is an expected shortfall in year-end projected revenues totally \$7.295 million. The 5 percent increase in revenues per the Water Rate Study is not expected in FY2018/19. For preparation of the FY 2019/20 Preliminary Budget, these revenue factors and values were applied as the baseline then adjusted to reflect the actual trend of water sales at nine (9) months through year-end FY2018/19 then forecast for each Revenue category. In addition to water rate adjustments in January 2019, the Board determined to re-establish the collection of the Special Assessment Ad Valorem Tax for the District on land value only for those parcels within its service area boundary. The first installment of the assessment was realized in December 2017.

In summary, the Preliminary Budget Revenues with the Special Assessment are anticipated to be sufficient to meet the stabilized and reduced Operating Expenses and Debt Service requirements with a net roll forward balance of **\$2,224,964**. This balance is applied to the **\$441,350** for Other Expenses category and from that expenditure those remaining net operating Revenues in the amount of **\$1,783,614** are earmarked to fund the deferred and required Construction in Progress budget classification of **\$2,530,499**. Therefore, a forecasted net shortfall balance of **\$746,886** is anticipated to be needed from Reserves. The FY2019/20 Budget details are described below.

## Highlights

### General Information

- ✚ Form of Government – Water Conservation Act of 1939
- ✚ Function under the California Water Code Section 74000 & 75000
- ✚ Date of Organization July 6, 1959
- ✚ Cachuma Project Member Unit & SWP Participating Agency
- ✚ Area served – Santa Ynez, Ballard, Los Olivos, the unincorporated in between those townships, and the City of Solvang (Note: Only the City of Solvang is a customer of the District but not the residents within the City limits)
- ✚ Fiscal Year End June 30<sup>th</sup>

### Operational Information

- ✚ 2,716 Domestic/Commercial/Rural Residential Service Connections
- ✚ 99 Agricultural Service Connections
- ✚ Water Served – Average Annual Production over 10 year period – 5,374 Acre Feet
- ✚ Sources of Supply (Typical) – Cachuma Project (42%), Santa Ynez River Appropriations (26%), Uplands Ground water (24%) and SWP water (8%). Drought 2018 – Cachuma Project (20%), Santa Ynez River Appropriations (35%), Upland Ground water (43%) and SWP water (2%).
- ✚ District Pipelines (in miles) 92
- ✚ Number of Booster Pump Stations = 4 with 12 pumps
- ✚ Number of Wells = 22
- ✚ SWP/ID No.1 Turnout = 5 stage pump system
- ✚ Number of water storage reservoirs/tanks = 4 with a total capacity of 16.7 million gallons
- ✚ Current number of full-time equivalent (FTE) positions
  - 9 FTE and 1 Part-Time – Management, Administrative, and Water Resources; 8 FTE– Operations and Maintenance

## **Budget and Reserve Fund Background**

On October 26, 2016, the District's Board of Trustees adopted the Water Rate Study and approved the Water Rate Schedule on December 13, 2016 that became effective on February 1, 2017 which incrementally planned for increases revenues over a five year period. Rates were developed to meet Operating Expenses, Debt Service and Other Expenses. This Water Rate Study also included a Reserves analysis and a forecast to add to those Reserve Funds over that same period to allow for recovery of reserve deficits that occurred over a six year period. The current balance as shown below with the rate setting and the re-establishment of the Special Tax Assessment results in the eventual full recovery of the reserve fund balance by 2021. The FY 2019/20 Budget indicates a stabilization of the reserve balance.

Below are the past fiscal year and most current Reserve balances based on actual accounting and audit information with the Reserve Balance table reflecting reserves in LAIF.

	RESERVE BALANCE	
	June 30, 2018	March 31, 2019 <sup>1</sup>
<u>Board Reserved</u>		
Debt Repayment Obligation <sup>2</sup>	\$ 884,221	\$1,676,799
Repair & Replacement	\$1,603,490	\$2,087,412
Plant Expansion	\$1,879,011	\$3,073,571
Subtotal	\$4,366,722	\$6,837,782
<u>Restricted Reserve</u>		
Dev. Fee; SY Septic	\$ 109,212	\$ 109,212
State Water Project Reserve <sup>3</sup>	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000

1. Year-end Reserve amount subject to change based on year-end actual accounting for projects and debt service expenditures.
2. Reserve funds for 2004A Bond payable on June 1; SWP payment due on June 1; and USBR Safety of Dams Repayment Contract.
3. One year set aside payment established to guarantee ID No.1's contractual debt obligation if a default occurs by the City of Solvang; Payment for SWP water including debt service obligation.

In review of the FY2018/19 year-ending budget, there is "projected" **\$1,455,401** net revenue. This is the estimated net position after funding Operating expenditures, accumulating funds in the amount of \$783,639 for the District's SWP Debt Service plus the \$302,391 Series 2004A bond payment, and SOD contract payment of \$26,976 due on June 1, 2019, funding \$825,901 of Special Studies and only \$949,946 of the capital projects. Despite the increased costs of defending legal claims, actual litigation, and threat of litigation, this net positive balance is a result of SWP credits, USBR payment deferral, the reversal of the State mandated Cr6 activities, which were suspended in May 2017 by a court order, and deferring \$902,871 of treatment and infrastructure replacement. There is no forecasted deficit at year-end June 30, 2019 and those final net audited funds will be added to Reserves.

The FY2019/20 Preliminary Budget was prepared with the increased revenues based on the 2016 Water Rate study, but providing for adjustments in anticipated revenues based on the 9-month **actual** water sales with year-end projections that reflect overall water sales revenue of 1% less than budgeted in 2018/19. Then, incorporating further balancing of expenditures, and using the factors described above with "projections" for revenues and expenditures line items



based on the previous year-end budget with adjustments that reflect **actual** changes in financial and economic conditions such as water sales, interest income, water charges and costs of services. This Budget also presents the “Operating Expenditures” inclusive of the General and Administrative expenditures, the Operations and Maintenance costs and the District’s Debt Service categories.

There are two additional expenditure categories: Other Expenses and Construction-in-Progress.

The Other Expenses category includes a financial appropriation for Special Studies and Programs specifically related to the Cachuma Project, Endangered Species Act, environmental and permitting requirements, and Federal and State compliance measures that are conducted and funded wholly or in part by the District on behalf of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and the SWRCB; respectively. Because the District is a signatory to the 2001 Fisheries MOU, it retains a contractual obligation to budget for a supplemental fund to pay for implementation of certain fisheries programs and projects pursuant to the National Marine Fisheries Service (“NMFS”) 2000 Biological Opinion (pursuant to the Endangered Species Act). This category also involves funding for special legal and engineering associated with the Cachuma Project and downstream water rights hearings and orders through the State Water Resources Control Board, and other regulatory compliance activities. All of the above directly relates to the continuing operation of the Cachuma Project and the District’s water rights water.

Additionally, funding is needed for the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and other District programs. The State of California regulations related to SGMA are applicable to all of the District’s Upland Groundwater Basin wells.

Non-annual recurring expenses (“NARES”) are shown in this subcategory. There expenditures are related to Santa Ynez River wells and specifically for preliminary engineering studies for a treatment facility anticipated to meet the State’s Water Quality standards for the Madera 29 well. The State’s previous mandate for Hexavalent Chromium (“Cr6”), adopted on July 1, 2014 was remanded by court order in May 2017; thus funding is not included in the FY2019/20 Budget.

For FY2019/20, there are projected net revenues available to cover Other Expenses. However, if litigation occurs related to a new Biological Opinion, the SWRCB, or other unanticipated legal services, Reserve funds may be needed.

The second expenditure category, Construction-in-Progress represents projects, facility improvements and betterment, and equipment that can be capitalized. These capital account items are typically based on a Capital Implementation Plan that was developed to assist in the prioritization of projects and activities but remains a dynamic guideline that is subject to economic, institutional and regulatory factors. Over the past six years, most capital expenditures have been deferred due to budgetary constraints, however, for FY 2019/20 infrastructure and water production expenditures are now critical to maintain water supply and ensure system-wide integrity. Capital Improvement Projects include repair and replacement of infrastructure, system mainline valve replacements, upland well replacement and treatment, and other required compliance and redundancy improvements.

The funding sources for all categories are the revenues derived primarily from Water Sales and Service, Fees and Other Revenue. Once the Operating Expenditures and Debt Service are funded from this operating revenue source, any remaining balance is applied to the Other Expenses categories, if available. The Repair and Replace and Plant Expansion Reserves are specifically designated and used to fund the Capital Improvement Projects. According to the

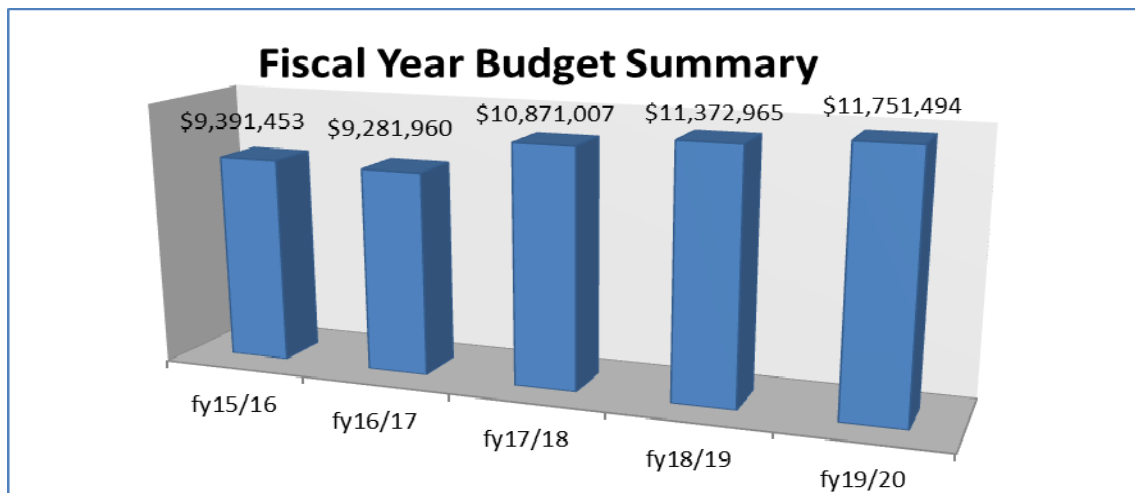
2016 Water Rate Study, the FY2019/20 CIP's were projected to be funded by operating Revenues. This is not expected to occur entirely in this budget year due to anticipated revenues constraints.

In summary, the specific revenue and expenditure categories of the Budget are a result of the adopted water rates and revenues, the prior year audit data, cross-referenced with the financial account information, and then modified using **actual** 9-month revenues and expenditure data from the current fiscal year to forecast the year-end June 30 financial figures. This information is used as the basis with known actual adjustments to develop the FY2019/20 Preliminary Budget.

### **Budget in Detail**

This Preliminary Budget \$11,751,494 reflects an overall 1.7% increase compared to the "projected" June 30, 2018 year-end results but 7.2% less than the Water Rate Study financial forecast. The basis of the Budget is primarily derived from the approved incremental water rate increase on January 1, 2019 from the rate study's revenue table with water sales adjustments based the previous fiscal year actuals, and the \$875,000 Special Assessment Ad Valorem Tax revenue. Other anticipated financial factors include capital facility charges, interest income, stabilization of expenditures, and a decrease in the SWP water payment. The results shown below reflect forecasted revenues that will meet the projected Operating Expenditures and Debt Service with a net revenue balance of \$2,224,964 are projected. This revenue balance will fund the Other Expenses category with a remaining \$1,783,614 in net operating revenue appropriations available to fund a part of the \$2,530,499 needed for Construction-in-Progress (CIP). Therefore, \$746,886 is required from Reserves to fund the remaining balance of capital projects. The net projected position after CIP expenditures will not allow for Reserve recovery in this fiscal year.

The Preliminary Budget for FY2019/20 is \$11,751,494 which represents an overall increase of only \$378,529 from the prior fiscal year budget which was an extremely conservative budget due to hardening water conservation measures and reduced water sales. This Budget deviates from the Water Rate Study that was forecasted at \$12,591,000. The most significant impact on the FY2019/20 Budget is a shift in consumption from prior years, resulting in nearly 20% less typical water demand, thus reduced consumption is corresponding to neutral revenues as compared to FY2018/19. A comparison of year-ending budgets to the FY2018/19 Budget is shown below. Table 1 below shows the total Budget comparison since FY2015/16.





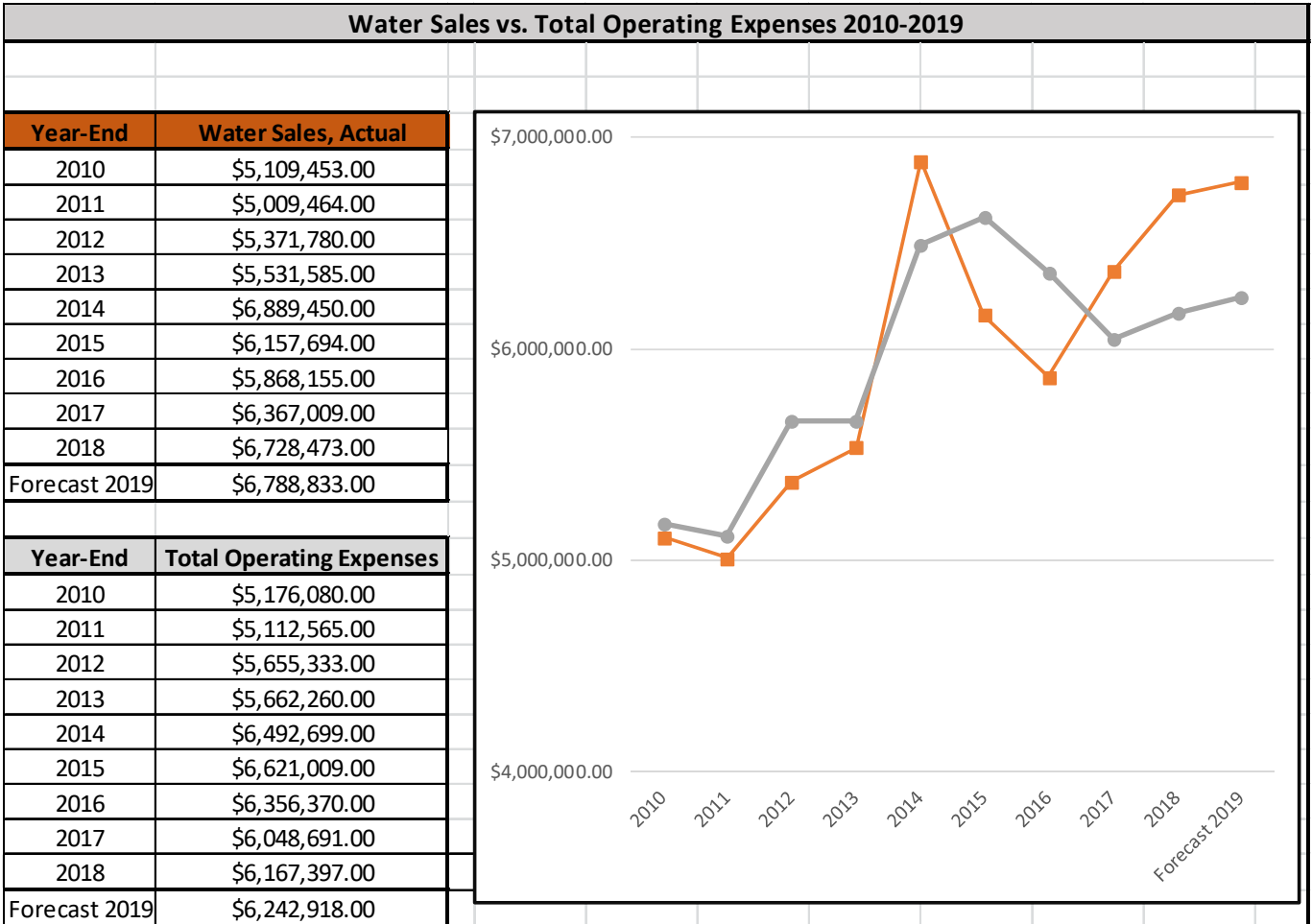
**Summary of Revenues:**

The District operates entirely based on the cost of service with revenues derived primarily from water sales, the special tax assessment, and other water services fees including the pass-through revenue for the City of Solvang SWP payment. For the FY 2019/20 Budget, the total Operating Revenues are projected at \$11,751,494 including the SWP revenue of \$3,166,279 from the City of Solvang which is more than the prior fiscal year by \$248,853. Actual projected total revenues are \$8,585,215 without the SWP pass-through payment and is less than last year’s revenues of \$8,589,017. Table 2 shows the actual **water sales revenue** at the year-end forecast at June 30, 2019 of \$6,799,933 which is less than the previous year of \$6,996,888.

Revenues from the City of Solvang water purchases reflect a slight increase due to 70% allocation from the SWP but continuing water conservation. SWP revenue from the City of Solvang is a pass-through payment also increased from the prior year.

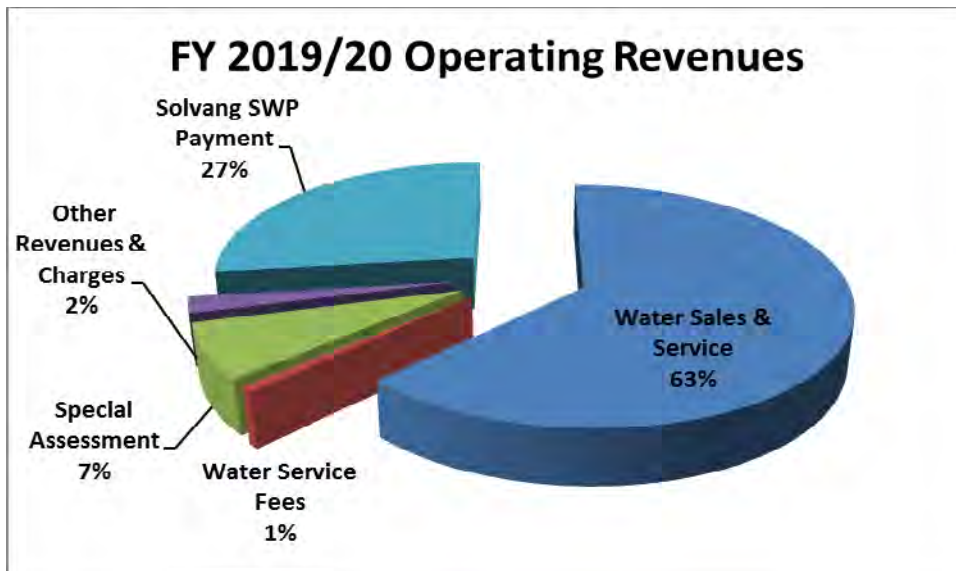
The FY 2019/20 Budget reflects the 1.7% revenue projections based on the approved water rate increases that are shown as revenue sources, Special Assessment of \$875,000, and CFC revenues, indicate slow recovery conditions. Uncertain water sales, low interest rates, and indeterminate water service revenues, remain factors in predicting a stabilization of the District’s financial health. As such, the revenues for water sales and service, assessments, fees as well as other revenue sources are summarized below. Table 2 and 2A illustrate the water sales revenues and the distribution of revenue sources, respectively.

Table 2



Overall, Operating Revenues for water sales and fees for all categories in FY2019/20 generally increased by only 1.7% from the prior year year-end projections based on the revenue projections from the actual year-end figures and forecasting using the approved water rate increases. However, the FY2019/20 falls short of the planned 5% cash flow revenues in the 2016 Water Rate Study. The Special Assessment was factored into the revenue stream this fiscal year. Also, a number of cumulative factors may affect revenue certainty including conservative values for frost protection water use by Agricultural customers, more private well drilling, and continuing moderate levels of water conservation by domestic, rural residential, and agricultural customers. The revenue projections for FY2019/20 also based on the new low consumption water demand by each classification which is projected to continue with consideration the above variable factors.

Table 2A

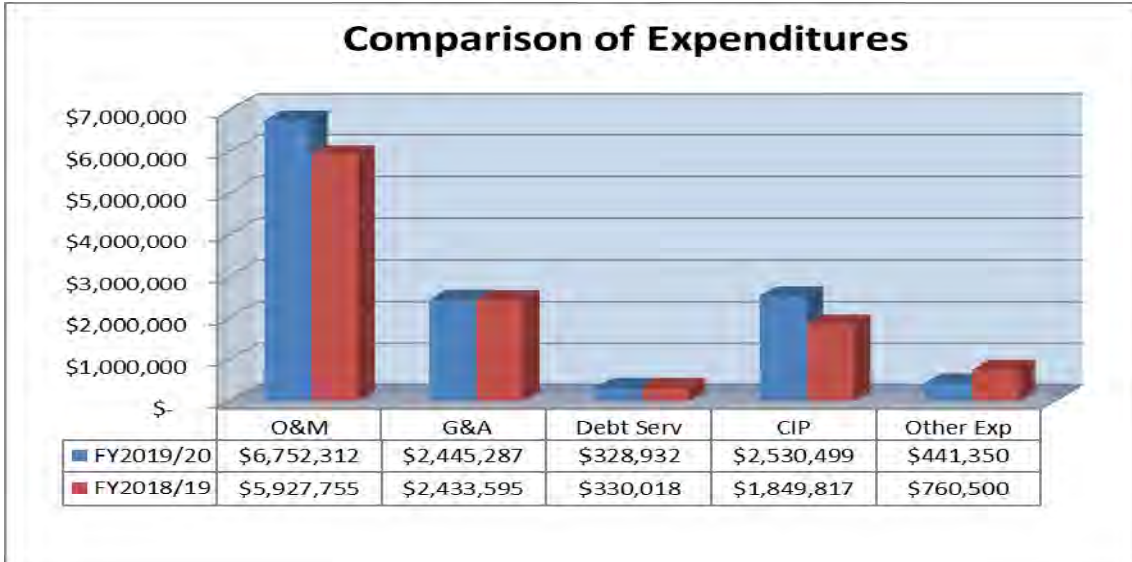


**Summary of Expenditures:**

Based on the projected Water Sales and other Operating Revenues including the Special Assessment for FY 2019/20, the overall Operating Expenditures for various accounts and programs in the categories of Operation & Maintenance, General & Administrative, and Debt Service will be adequately funded and a net revenue balance of \$2,224,964 will result. Additionally, the net balance of Operating Revenues is expected to fund the Other Expenses-Special Studies category element of the Budget and therefore, funding from Reserves will not be required. According to the 2016 Water Rate Study, net Operating Revenues (with the Special Assessment) were anticipated to fully fund operating expenses with a set aside in reserves for Construction-In-Progress (CIP) items. This will occur with a net balance of \$1,783,614 to partially fund CIP. Table 3 shows all Expenditure categories for FY2019/20 in comparison to the previous fiscal year.



Table 3



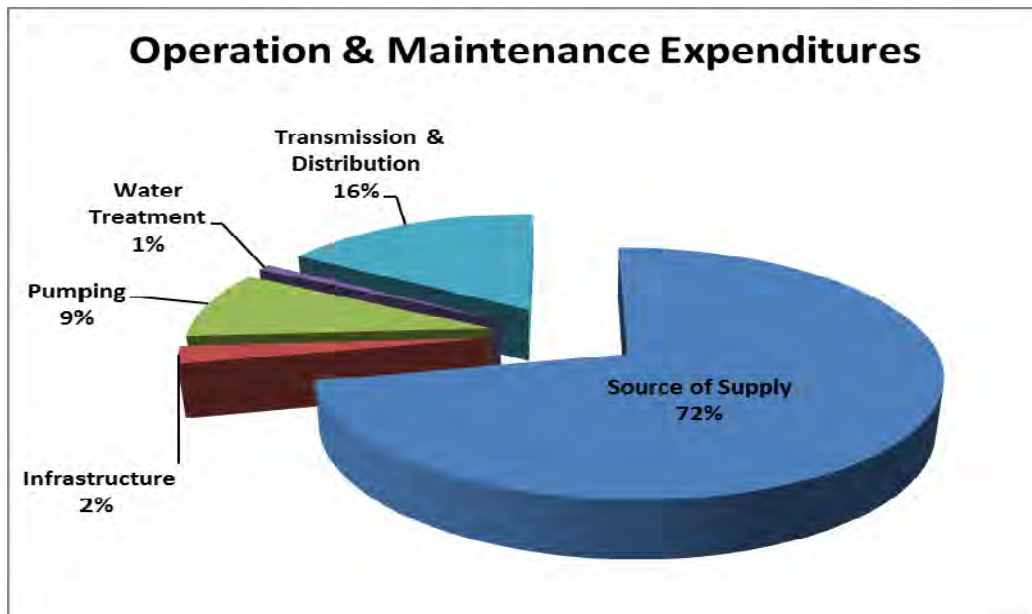
Net Revenues are expected to be sufficient to fund accounts with no re-allocated District Reserves except for a portion of the CIP in order to balance this portion of the budget.

As such, the expenditures for Operation and Maintenance, General & Administration, Debt Service, Construction in Progress and other Expenses are summarized below.

**Expenditures Operation and Maintenance (O&M)**

The overall budget for O&M Expenditures for FY2019/20 is greater than the prior fiscal year-end expenditures by \$980,487 with the Source of Supply category having the single largest increase by \$851,653 as compared to year-end FY2018/19. This is a result of increased DWR charges for State Water and USBR increased water rates in the coming fiscal year. Increases also are planned for the Infrastructure account by \$66,640 as a result of funding deferred maintenance, the Pumping category at \$49,521 more because of energy costs, and the Water Treatment account by \$13,946 due to more well water expected to be water produced. Transmission and Distribution slightly decreased by \$1,293 because of a change in the labor force. Table 4 illustrates the distribution of costs per O&M categories.

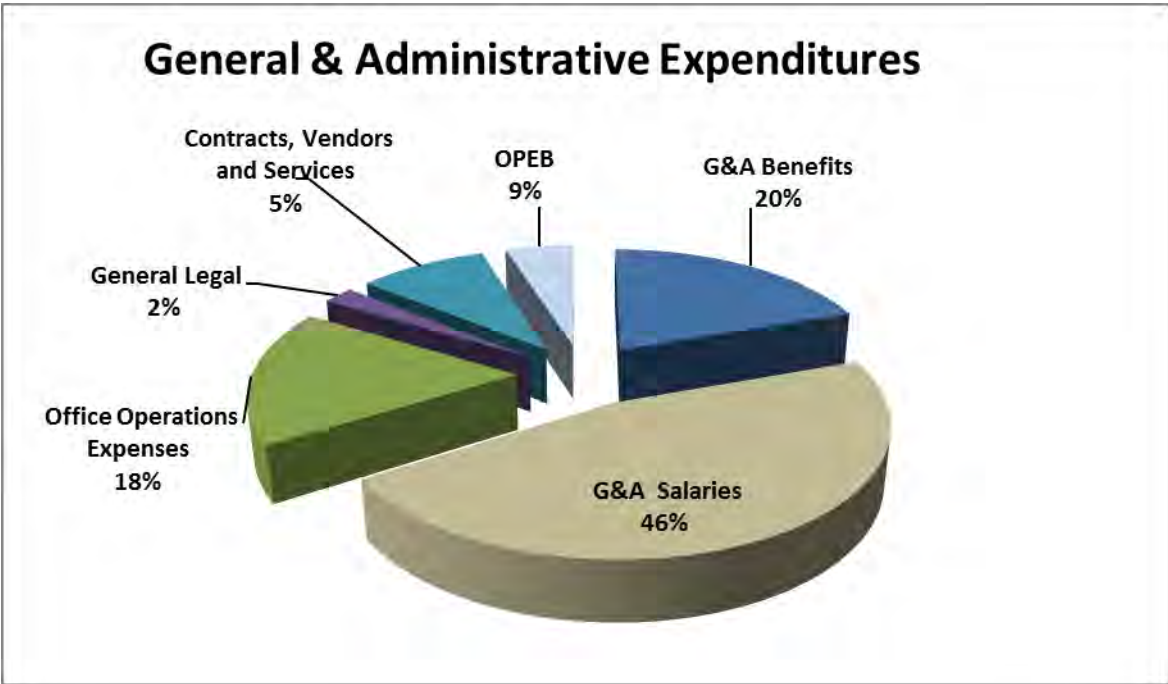
Table 4



**Expenditures General and Administration (G&A)**

The G&A Expenditures for FY2019/20 are slightly more than the prior fiscal year budget by \$1,692 and only \$212,035 from the year-end projections. The G&A line items are generally cost neutral from the prior year. Salaries and benefits categories remain consistent with the prior year budget with only a \$9,056 increase or ½ of 1 percent change. All other administrative, contracts, and required operations line items only slightly increase due to minor inflationary and vendor cost increases. Legal costs reflect the year-end actuals for general legal work performed to comply with law and respond to legal general counsel related issues. Table 5 below illustrates the distribution of costs for the G&A expense categories.

Table 5



**Debt Service**

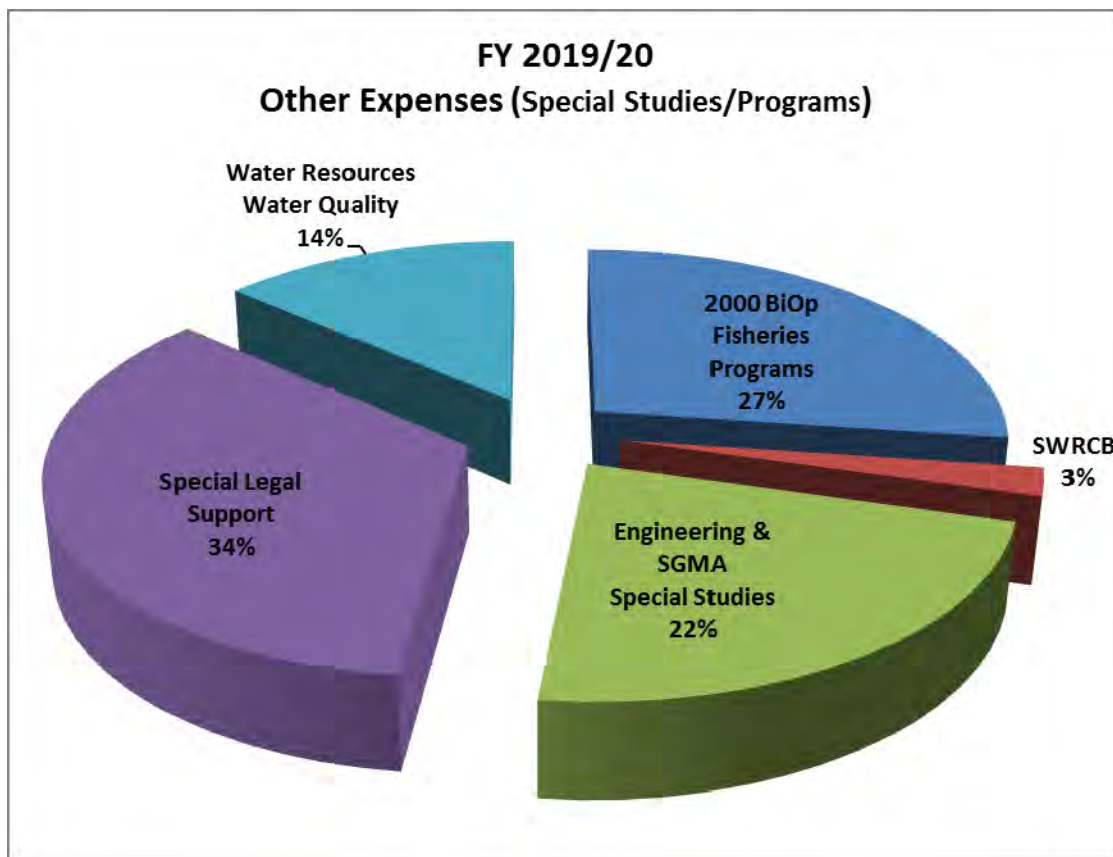
*Debt Service* accounts for FY 2019/20 include USBR Safety of Dams repayment which remains constant for the 50-year term at \$26,976 and Series 2004 “A” Bond interest and principal repayment of \$291,956 slightly decreases based on the repayment terms. The total Debt Service must be paid from operating revenues on June 1 of each year. The FY2019/20 operating Revenues inclusive of the Special Tax Assessment are expected to fund the operating Expenses plus Debt Service with the District’s Bond Covenant obligations expected to be met for CCWA and the Series 2004A requirements. The District is required to have its revenues cover 100% of its Operating Expenses with sum of its net revenue obligations for Operating Expenses and Debt Service combined must meet 125% coverage. For FY2019/20, the 2004 Series “A” Bond coverage is 629% while the CCWA Bond 2016A is 181%; and therefore in compliance the bond obligations.



### **Other Expenses**

For FY2019/20, the \$441,350 of expenses needed in the Other Expenses category is projected to be funded by the net balance of Operating Revenues of \$2,244,964 and not derived from a Reserve re-allocation from the LAIF Repair and Replace Construction Reserve or the Plant Expansion Reserve funds as was the case in prior to FY2018/19. The summary these categories is shown on Table 6 and summarized below.

Table 6



In the Preliminary Budget, the Other Expenses category is anticipated to decrease by \$384,551 compared to the year-end projections. The two primary factors are: the Fisheries Program; and Unanticipated Legal expenditures. Funds for the Fisheries items are forecast to decrease due to the reduced payment obligations as part of a legal settlement reached in 2018 following ID No.1's withdrawal from Cachuma Operation and Maintenance Board. In the new fiscal year, funds are earmarked for ID No.1's consultants and support expertise to conduct only actions required for Cachuma Project Continuing Operations related to fisheries, water rights, participation with USBR in the NMFS re-consultation, and expenditures related to the ESA and SWRCB compliance for the benefit of ID No.1 only.

The Unanticipated Special Legal for FY2018/19, there were several lawsuits and claims against the District which were unanticipated and the year-end projections are \$252,158. Although the District prevailed in some of those claims with all others pending, they required legal defense and representation. In FY 2019/20, there remains on-going threats and actual litigation continuing from the prior year; however, those legal costs not expected to be as significant.

The FY2019/20 Budget shows that the anticipated Operating Revenues are sufficient to fund the Other Expenses for Special Studies/Program: the State of California required compliance associated with Water Quality regulations and DDW compliance actions; USBR-NMFS re-consultation process; water rights protections related to the ESA compliance; Sustainable Groundwater Management Act compliance; USBR contracts; and the SWRCB draft orders and hearing process. Funding is forecast to be less with conservative consultant and special legal costs because those costs are reduced due to continuing ID No.1 in-house policy and legal expertise and resources.

The costs related to fisheries activities, SWRCB, SGMA and water rights under this budget category have resulted in a decrease in out-source funding by \$384,551 in FY2019/20 due to need to shift in funding for ID No.1 interests and infrastructure needs

The Other Expenses expenditures are based on actual expenditures from budgets, cost estimates from consultants, and limited shared contractual costs with other agencies which totals \$441,350. The funding for this category will be derived from the anticipated net revenues. With the reduction in expenditures in this category, no reserves are expected to be needed unless unforeseen events occur which funding will require approval by the Board.

### Construction in Progress

In years past, the Capital Improvements under this category were typically funded by some or entirely by operating surplus revenues that are deemed additions to Construction Reserves (or the remaining revenues after the O&M, G&A, Debt Service and Other Expenses are funded) or funded using a combination of those additions to reserves and reserve funds accumulated in surplus years and held in LAIF.

Since 2012, Capital improvement projects were reduced to a minimum and deferred to future years because of significant Budget constraints and a drawdown of Reserves to meet operating costs each year since. District finances shortfalls were caused by inadequate water rates to generate needed revenues, loss of tax assessments, and water conservation resulting revenue reductions impacting the Repair and Replace Construction Reserve and the Plant Expansion Reserve. In FY 2018/19, revenues were stabilized allowing for net revenues to be added to reserves for Capital Improvements.

For FY2019/20, some significant deferred projects in the Construction in Progress category expenditures are now deemed necessary and most critical, are included in this year's budget cycle. Of the \$2,530,499 for Capital projects, it is anticipated that \$1,783,614 of the remaining net revenue balance will be applied and the outstanding balance **-\$748,886** will be funded by the Repair and Replace Construction Reserve or the Plant Expansion Reserve. The capital improvement items are based on the capital improvement program that identified projects for replacement, betterment, upgrades or repairs, and then modified to include projects from the prior year that did not occur or postponed large projects in order to manage the costs for the fiscal year. Approximately 30% of the total CIP budget for FY2019/20 is dependent on Reserve funding.

It should be noted that if additional capital improvement projects are needed, all funding will come Repair and Replace or Construction Reserves. Should the Board desire increases in a certain category, program or capital improvement project level of funding, these Reserves must be utilized. With the current funding for CIP's, **\$747,886** will be needed from Reserves, a zero balance will remain.



## **FY 2019/20 Budget Summary**

The FY2019/20 Preliminary Budget is based on the October 26, 2016 Board approved Water Rate Study and the December 2016 rate approval and an overall rate adjustment on effective on January 1, 2019 and then again a similar water usage rate adjustments with the fixed meter charges increasing on January 1, 2020. Also, revenues were projected using FY2018/19 water revenue increases of 5% for a portion of the year. All of these values were applied as the baseline revenues then adjusted to reflect the actual water sales with 20% water conservation and resulting in only a 1.7% revenue increase in water sales revenues for FY2019/20. As a result, the rate increases did not produce the forecasted and expected revenues as described in both the 2016 Water Rate Studies. In addition to the adjusted rate revenues from water sales, the Board held the collection of the Special Assessment Ad Valorem Tax to \$875,000 for the District on land value only for those parcels within its service area boundary.

As a result, the Preliminary FY2019/20 Budget Revenues with the Special Assessment of **\$11,751,494** are anticipated to be sufficient to the meet O&M and G&A Expenses and Debt Service requirements of **\$9,526,531** with a net balance of **\$2,244,964**.

This net balance of \$2,244,964 will be applied will be applied to the **\$441,350** for Other Expenses needed to fund the costs for engineering, design, and permitting for facilities anticipated to meet the Water Quality standards and DDW Compliance Plan, and Special Studies expenditures, specifically the compliance requirements of the Endangered Species Act and ID No.1's programs. The end results are sufficient funds to cover all operating expenditures with a remaining net balance in the amount of **\$1,783,614** to be applied in part to Capital repairs and replacement of infrastructure and system improvements forecast at **\$2,530,499**. There is shortfall balance of **\$747,886** that will funded by the Repair and Replace Construction Reserve or the Plant Expansion Reserve.

A balanced Operating Budget is accomplished by projecting revenues that reflect the water rate adjustments and the Special Assessment Ad Valorem tax, and by controlling cost expenditures in the G&A and O&M account categories with adjustments in various levels of funding from the previous year expenditures across most accounts, and then forecasting significantly reduced interest income, water conservation impacts, and less than expected water sales revenues.

On the expenditure side, line item costs were considered and reduced where applicable. Factors affecting adjustments included the continuing operation of the water system, the cost of purchased water, supporting system maintenance, and maintaining service. Costs were stabilized to the extent possible but adjusted as expenditures were necessary and dictated by outside sources.

Debt Service will be funded from the operating revenues as required in the Series 2004A and CCWA 2016A Bonds and to meet the covenant coverage of 125% of operating costs.

Although there is an estimated \$1,455,401 net revenue balance year-ending June 30, 2019, those accumulated funds will be added to reserves to meet the June 1, 2019 Bond and SWP payment obligations for ID No.1 and the City of Solvang.

Furthermore, the **\$747,866** budget shortfall for Capital repairs and replacement of infrastructure and system improvements will be needed from Reserves to balance the FY2019/20 budget.

**Recommendation:** That the Board of Trustees review the Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2019/20 and provide comment or direction to management whether to accept the FY 2019/20 Preliminary Budget or make modifications. Approval of the FY2019/20 Final Budget by Resolution will be recommended and considered for action by the Board at the June 18, 2019 Board of Trustees meeting.



**Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1**  
**PRELIMINARY BUDGET FY 2019-20**

REVENUE		FY 18/19	FY 18/19	YTD %	Projected Revenues	Draft Budget
Account No.	Service & Sales	Budget	9-Month Revenues	of Budget	June 30-2019	FY 19/20
601000	Agriculture Water Sales & Meter Charges	\$ 790,198	\$ 635,680	80%	\$ 794,601	\$ 814,466
602000	Domestic Water Sales & Meter Charges	\$ 4,103,847	\$ 3,154,403	77%	\$ 3,864,144	\$ 4,018,710
602100	Rural Res/Lmt'd Ag Sales & Meter Charges	\$ 2,241,477	\$ 1,712,950	76%	\$ 2,141,188	\$ 2,291,071
602200	Cachuma Park Water Sales	\$ 14,553	\$ 11,896	82%	\$ 14,275	\$ 14,775
606000	Water Sales to City of Solvang	\$ 54,364	\$ 287,591	529%	\$ 316,350	\$ 57,082
608000	Water Sales - On-Demand	\$ 56,102	\$ 38,480	69%	\$ 46,176	\$ 47,793
611500	Fire Service Charges	\$ 115,476	\$ 91,927	80%	\$ 114,909	\$ 117,207
604000	Temporary Water Sales	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,121	62%	\$ 3,433	\$ 3,553
	<b>Subtotal Water Sales</b>	\$ 7,381,017	\$ 5,936,050	80%	\$ 7,295,077	\$ 7,364,657
611100	New Services Fees	\$ 15,000	\$ 49,642	331%	\$ 59,571	\$ 20,000
611900	New Fire Service Fees	\$ 1,500	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ 1,500
611200;612400	Misc Serv Rev;Penalties;Reconnection	\$ 60,000	\$ 50,715	85%	\$ 60,858	\$ 62,683
	<b>Subtotal Service</b>	\$ 76,500	\$ 100,357	131%	\$ 120,429	\$ 84,183
	<b>Assessments, Fees &amp; Other Revenue</b>					
627000-627200	Special Assessment	\$ 875,000	\$ 495,295	57%	\$ 883,846	\$ 875,000
628000-630300	Interest Income	\$ 145,000	\$ 115,588	80%	\$ 144,485	\$ 147,375
625100	Annexation Fees	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -
625200	Application Fees/Special Services	\$ 14,000	\$ 3,752	27%	\$ 5,253	\$ 6,000
611600; 612300	Capital Facilities Charges;Main Ext. Fees-Admin	\$ 75,000	\$ 129,748	173%	\$ 149,210	\$ 75,000
620006; 620008	Reimbursed Labor	\$ 7,500	\$ 2,942	39%	\$ 3,677	\$ 5,000
624000-634100	Other Misc Revenues; Grants; Loans; Ins Claims	\$ 15,000	\$ 17,964	120%	\$ 34,133	\$ 28,000
620100-620500	Repair and Special Reimbursements	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -
890100	Solvang SWP Payment	\$ 2,783,948	\$ 2,917,426	105%	\$ 2,917,426	\$ 3,166,279
	<b>Subtotal Assessment &amp; Fees</b>	\$ 3,915,448	\$ 3,682,715	94%	\$ 4,138,030	\$ 4,302,654
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 11,372,965</b>	<b>\$ 9,719,122</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>\$ 11,553,535</b>	<b>\$ 11,751,494</b>

EXPENDITURES OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE		FY 18/19	FY 18/19	YTD %	Projected Expenditures		Draft Budget
Account No.	Source of Supply	Budget	9-Month Expenditures	of Budget	June 30-2019	FY 19/20	
703000	Cachuma Project (USBR) Water Purchase	\$ 410,069	\$ 120,791	29%	\$ 231,596	\$ 283,856	
703200	Cachuma Project Renewal/Environmental Fund	\$ 10,600	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ 26,510	
704000	State Water Charge- District Payment	\$ 814,618	\$ 626,912	77%	\$ 783,639	\$ 1,300,785	
86000	State Water Project - City of Solvang pymt	\$ 2,783,948	\$ 2,917,426	105%	\$ 2,917,426	\$ 3,166,938	
705000	Ground Water Charge	\$ 45,000	\$ 20,826	46%	\$ 41,653	\$ 45,000	
706000	Cloudseeding Program	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -	
707000	River Well Field Licenses (4.0cfs , 6.0cfs, Gallery)	\$ 15,000	\$ 12,103	81%	\$ 12,103	\$ 15,000	
	<b>Subtotal S. of S.</b>	\$ 4,079,235	\$ 3,698,057	91%	\$ 3,986,416	\$ 4,838,089	
	<b>Infrastructure</b>						
711000	Maintenance of Wells	\$ 19,348	\$ 13,114	68%	\$ 16,392	\$ 50,200	
711100	Maintenance of Packer Well	\$ 5,000	\$ -	0%	\$ 4,050	\$ 3,000	
712000	Maintenance of Mains	\$ 20,000	\$ 23,442	117%	\$ 28,130	\$ 64,000	
713000;714000	Maintenance of Structures & Reservoirs	\$ 40,000	\$ 6,398	16%	\$ 41,988	\$ 40,000	
	<b>Subtotal Infrastructure</b>	\$ 84,348	\$ 42,954	51%	\$ 90,560	\$ 157,200	
	<b>Pumping</b>						
726000	Pumping Expense - Power	\$ 590,000	\$ 442,136	75%	\$ 552,670	\$ 594,121	
730000	Maintenance of Pump Structures/Stations	\$ 10,000	\$ 2,630	26%	\$ 3,024	\$ 10,000	
731000	Maintenance of Blending Stations	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -	
732000	Maintenance of Equipment	\$ 2,000	\$ -	0%	\$ 405	\$ 1,500	
	<b>Subtotal Pumping</b>	\$ 602,000	\$ 444,766	74%	\$ 556,100	\$ 605,621	
	<b>Water Treatment</b>						
744000	Chemicals	\$ 40,000	\$ 17,686	44%	\$ 20,298	\$ 25,000	
747000	Maintenance of Treatment Structures	\$ 500	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ 500	
748000	Maintenance of Disinfection Equipment	\$ 2,500	\$ 733	29%	\$ 1,533	\$ 2,500	
748100	Water Disinfection Equipment	\$ 6,500	\$ 1,503	23%	\$ 5,853	\$ 7,500	
748200	Water Sampling/Monitoring Equipment	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,036	101%	\$ 3,340	\$ 3,500	
749000	Water Analysis	\$ 15,000	\$ 9,624	64%	\$ 12,030	\$ 18,000	
749100	Water Filtration & Treatment Plant	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -	
	<b>Subtotal W.T.</b>	\$ 67,500	\$ 32,583	48%	\$ 43,054	\$ 57,000	
	<b>Transmission &amp; Distribution</b>						
751000	Field Service Labor	\$ 597,872	\$ 492,368	82%	\$ 615,460	\$ 581,562	
775000	PERS - Retirement	\$ 139,658	\$ 113,321	81%	\$ 141,651	\$ 109,404	
775400	ACWA - Health Benefits	\$ 196,702	\$ 144,196.03	73%	\$ 180,245	\$ 213,352	
775200	ACWA - Delta Dental	\$ 10,187	\$ 6,316	62%	\$ 7,895	\$ 7,832	
775300	ACWA - Vision	\$ 1,652	\$ 1,170	71%	\$ 1,463	\$ 1,652	
799500	Uniforms	\$ 15,000	\$ 11,255	75%	\$ 14,068	\$ 16,000	
752000	Material & Supplies	\$ 5,000	\$ 6,945	139%	\$ 8,681	\$ 10,000	
752100	Safety Equipment	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,568	119%	\$ 5,174	\$ 6,000	
753000	SCADA Maintenance	\$ 6,500	\$ 3,550	55%	\$ 4,083	\$ 4,500	
754000	Small Tools	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,210	104%	\$ 5,210	\$ 15,500	
754100	Small Tool Repair	\$ 1,000	\$ 495	50%	\$ 743	\$ 1,500	
755000	Transportation (vehicle maintenance/fuel)	\$ 60,000	\$ 49,175	82%	\$ 61,469	\$ 71,000	
756000	Meter Service (new)	\$ 15,000	\$ 16,647	111%	\$ 19,144	\$ 20,000	
756100	Meter and Service Repair	\$ 15,000	\$ 10,404	69%	\$ 11,964	\$ 12,000	
757000	Road Contracts	\$ 1,000	\$ 54	5%	\$ 801	\$ 1,000	
758000	Meter Purchase	\$ 3,000	\$ -	0%	\$ 2,400	\$ 3,000	
758100	Meter Reading System (Sensus)	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,609	54%	\$ 1,609	\$ 2,500	
759000	Maintenance of Structures and Improvements	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,309	46%	\$ 7,309	\$ 7,500	
760000	Fire Hydrants	\$ 1,000	\$ 21	2%	\$ 500	\$ 2,000	
761000	Back Flow Devices	\$ 100	\$ 85	85%	\$ 85	\$ 100	
762000-76300	Backhoe/Cat Generator - Maintenance	\$ 10,000	\$ 866	9%	\$ 5,744	\$ 8,000	
	<b>Subtotal T. &amp; D.</b>	\$ 1,094,672	\$ 869,563	79%	\$ 1,095,695	\$ 1,094,402	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 5,927,755	\$ 5,087,922	86%	\$ 5,771,825	\$ 6,752,312	



EXPENDITURES G&A		FY 18/19	FY 18/19	YTD %	Projected Expenditures	Draft Budget
Account No.	General & Administrative	Budget	9-Month Expenditures	of Budget	June 30-2019	FY 19/20
772000	State Unemp. Claims	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -
773000	Elections	\$ 15,000	\$ 5,600	37%	\$ 5,600	\$ -
6560	Payroll Expenses	\$ 950	\$ 783	82%	\$ 978	\$ 1,000
774000	ACWA Workers Comp Ins	\$ 24,532	\$ 20,939	85%	\$ 25,127	\$ 25,500
775000	PERS - Retirement	\$ 229,838	\$ 170,369	74%	\$ 212,962	\$ 200,928
775400	ACWA - Health Benefits	\$ 258,366	\$ 176,581	68%	\$ 220,727	\$ 266,008
775200	ACWA - Delta Dental	\$ 11,261	\$ 7,876	70%	\$ 9,845	\$ 12,044
775300	ACWA - Vision	\$ 2,086	\$ 1,497	72%	\$ 1,872	\$ 2,065
777100-777401	Management & Administrative Salaries	\$ 1,094,281	\$ 800,391	73%	\$ 1,000,488	\$ 1,134,903
21001	Other Post Employment Benefits	\$ 285,000	\$ 177,812	62%	\$ 237,083	\$ 225,890
778000	Education, Training, Travel & Conference	\$ 25,000	\$ 8,004	32%	\$ 10,005	\$ 25,000
779000	Dues & Subscription	\$ 28,500	\$ 27,070	95%	\$ 29,777	\$ 30,000
780000*799525	Office Maintenance	\$ 7,500	\$ 4,718	63%	\$ 5,898	\$ 7,500
781000	Office Supplies	\$ 12,000	\$ 7,597	63%	\$ 11,776	\$ 12,000
781100	Computer supplies, software, training	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,342	87%	\$ 4,776	\$ 5,000
782000	Postage & Printing	\$ 45,000	\$ 33,777	75%	\$ 42,221	\$ 46,000
783000	Utilities	\$ 8,705	\$ 7,175	82%	\$ 8,969	\$ 9,500
784000	Telephone	\$ 9,350	\$ 7,261	78%	\$ 10,762	\$ 14,004
785000	Special Serv-USA, website, inventory prg, Security, Ans Serv.	\$ 13,750	\$ 5,426	39%	\$ 6,782	\$ 11,000
785100	Gov't Fees (County & State)	\$ 13,000	\$ 13,599	105%	\$ 14,959	\$ 15,000
786000	Insurance & Bonds - ACWA Insurance	\$ 55,000	\$ 43,990	80%	\$ 57,359	\$ 62,500
787000	Payroll Taxes - Federal & State of CA	\$ 130,000	\$ 86,241	66%	\$ 118,000	\$ 130,000
788000	Audit & Accounting	\$ 33,000	\$ 30,236	92%	\$ 30,236	\$ 33,000
789000	Legal - General					
	Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck	\$ 30,000	\$ 43,777	146%	\$ 56,277	\$ 55,000
	Stradling, Yocca, Carlson & Rauth	\$ 2,500	\$ 4,296	172%	\$ 5,369	\$ 5,000
790000	General/Professional - Consultant	\$ 25,000	\$ 19,074	76%	\$ 23,843	\$ 18,000
791000	Planning & Research	\$ 2,800	\$ 1,687	60%	\$ 2,194	\$ 13,320
792000	Bad Debt - Charge Off	\$ 850	\$ 167	20%	\$ 556	\$ 750
793000	Office Equipment/Computer Service Contracts	\$ 25,500	\$ 23,725	93%	\$ 29,657	\$ 32,000
794100	Annual Fee/Bond Redemption Costs	\$ 1,425	\$ 1,375	96%	\$ 1,375	\$ 1,375
797000	Trustee Fees	\$ 25,400	\$ 22,060	87%	\$ 27,575	\$ 28,000
799000	Miscellaneous Expenses/Vendors	\$ 22,000	\$ 15,602	71%	\$ 19,503	\$ 22,000
799600	Customer Refunds	\$ 1,000	\$ 705	70%	\$ 705	\$ 1,000
	<b>Subtotal G&amp;A</b>	\$ 2,443,595	\$ 1,773,752	73%	\$ 2,233,252	\$ 2,445,287
	<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 2,443,595	\$ 1,773,752	73%	\$ 2,233,252	\$ 2,445,287

SUBTOTAL EXPENDITURES		FY 18/19	FY 18/19	YTD %	Projected Expenditures	Draft Budget
		Budget	9-Month Expenditures	of Budget	June 30-2019	FY 19/20
<b>G&amp;A/O&amp;M</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 8,371,350	\$ 6,861,673	82%	\$ 8,005,078	\$ 9,197,599

<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>		<b>FY 18/19</b>	<b>FY 18/19</b>	<b>YTD %</b>	<b>Projected Expenditures</b>	<b>Draft Budget</b>
<b>Account No.</b>	<b>Debt Service</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>9-Month Expenditures</b>	<b>of Budget</b>	<b>June 30-2019</b>	<b>FY 19/20</b>
717000	USBR SOD Repayment (Principal & Interest)	\$ 27,012	\$ 26,976	100%	\$ 26,976	\$ 26,976
794000	Series 2004 A Repayment (Bond Interest)	\$ 48,006	\$ 47,391	99%	\$ 47,391	\$ 36,956
218200	Series 2004 A Repayment (Bond Principal)	\$ 255,000	\$ 255,000	100%	\$ 255,000	\$ 265,000
	<b>Subtotal Debt Service</b>	\$ 330,018	\$ 329,366	100%	\$ 329,366	\$ 328,932
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 330,018</b>	<b>\$ 329,366</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 329,366</b>	<b>\$ 328,932</b>

<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>FY 18/19</b>	<b>FY 18/19</b>	<b>YTD %</b>	<b>Projected Expenditures</b>	<b>Draft Budget</b>
		<b>Budget</b>	<b>9-Month Expenditures</b>	<b>of Budget</b>	<b>June 30-2019</b>	<b>FY 19/20</b>
<b>G&amp;A/O&amp;M/DEBT SERVICE TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 8,701,368</b>	<b>\$ 7,191,040</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>\$ 8,334,444</b>	<b>\$ 9,526,531</b>

<b>SUBTOTAL REVENUE BALANCE</b>		<b>FY 18/19</b>	<b>FY 18/19</b>	<b>YTD %</b>	<b>Projected</b>	<b>Draft Budget</b>
		<b>Budget</b>	<b>9-Month Actual</b>	<b>of Budget</b>	<b>June 30-2019</b>	<b>FY 19/20</b>
<b>OPERATING REVENUES LESS OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>\$ 2,671,597</b>	<b>\$ 2,528,082</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>\$ 3,219,091</b>	<b>\$ 2,224,964</b>



OTHER EXPENSES		FY 18/19	FY 18/19	YTD %	Projected Expenditures	Draft Budget
Account No.	Special Studies/Programs	Budget	9-Month Expenditures	of Budget	June 30-2019	FY 19/20
<b>Fisheries Program</b>						
825800	Biological Opinion Implementation	\$ 202,500	\$ 167,500	83%	\$ 263,147	\$ 30,000
825401	BiOp Studies/Reconsultation (Stetson Eng. & Hanson Env.)	\$ 132,000	\$ 71,816	54%	\$ 89,770	\$ 50,000
800201	BiOp/Reconsultation/ESA (BB&K)	\$ 72,000	\$ 32,088	45%	\$ 40,109	\$ 40,000
826101	SWRCB Public Trust Resources Studies (Consultants)	\$ 15,000	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -
825402	SWRCB Hearings Support (Stetson/Hanson)	\$ 15,000	\$ -	0%	\$ 20,000	\$ 10,000
<b>Special Studies</b>						
825500	Hydrology SYR; Cachuma Water, RiverWare (Stetson)	\$ 20,000	\$ 4,820	24%	\$ 6,025	\$ 12,000
825601	Integrated Regional Water Mgmt Plan	\$ 2,500	\$ 1,089	44%	\$ 1,362	\$ 6,350
825900	WaterCad; GIS Distribution System Model (Consultant)	\$ 10,000	\$ 2,519	0%	\$ 2,519	\$ 5,000
825600	Water Conservation Program/BMP	\$ 3,500	\$ 4,333	124%	\$ 5,416	\$ 5,500
<b>Subtotal Spec. Std.</b>		\$ 472,500	\$ 284,165	60%	\$ 428,348	\$ 158,850
800000	<b>Legal &amp; Engineering Services</b>					
<b>Legal</b>						
800101; 800202	SWRCB; 94-5 Hearings; Public Trust (BB&K)(BHFS)	\$ 78,000	\$ -	0%	\$ 20,000	\$ 50,000
800500	Unanticipated or Extraordinary Special Legal					
	BFHS	\$ 15,000	\$ 201,726	1345%	\$ 252,158	\$ 75,000
	Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth	\$ -	\$ 4,859	0%	\$ 4,980	\$ 2,500
	Best Best & Krieger	\$ 25,000	\$ 1,351	5%	\$ 1,689	\$ 25,000
<b>Engineering Services</b>						
800301	Groundwater/Downstream Water Rights	\$ 5,000	\$ 8,756	175%	\$ 9,194	\$ 10,000
800300	Easements, Survey & Water Projects	\$ 30,000	\$ 17,900	60%	\$ 19,690	\$ 20,000
800102	Sustainable Groundwater Management Act	\$ 90,000	\$ 73	0%	\$ 73	\$ 40,000
<b>Subtotal Spec. Legal/Eng.</b>		\$ 243,000	\$ 234,664	97%	\$ 307,783	\$ 222,500
<b>Non-Annual Recurring Expenses</b>						
826000	CR6 Implementation Plan & Misc. Treatment Projects	\$ 30,000	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ 30,000
825700	Water Rate Study	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ 5,000
825400	Cachuma Project Continuing Operations	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -
850500	USBR Cachuma Project Contract/Capital Programs	\$ 15,000	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ 25,000
<b>Subtotal Non-Cap Exp.</b>		\$ 45,000	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ 60,000
		<b>\$ 760,500</b>	<b>\$ 518,829</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>\$ 825,901</b>	<b>\$ 441,350</b>

TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES		FY 18/19	FY 18/19	YTD %	Projected Expenditures	Draft Budget
		Budget	9-Month Expenditures	of Budget	June 30-2019	FY 19/20
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 760,500</b>	<b>\$ 518,829</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>\$ 825,901</b>	<b>\$ 441,350</b>

<b>BUDGET BALANCE</b>		<b>FY 18/19 Budget</b>	<b>FY 18/19 9-Month Actual</b>	<b>YTD % of Budget</b>	<b>Projected Yr-end June 30-2019</b>	<b>Draft Budget FY 19/20</b>
	TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 11,372,965	\$ 9,719,122	85%	\$ 11,553,535	\$ 11,751,494
	TOTAL O&M EXPENDITURES	\$ (5,927,755)	\$ (5,087,922)	86%	\$ (5,771,825)	\$ (6,752,312)
	TOTAL G&A EXPENDITURES	\$ (2,443,595)	\$ (1,773,752)	73%	\$ (2,233,252)	\$ (2,445,287)
	TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$ (330,018)	\$ (329,366)	100%	\$ (329,366)	\$ (328,932)
	Subtotal Balance	\$ 2,671,597	\$ 2,528,082		\$ 3,219,091	\$ 2,224,964
	TOTAL Other Expenses (Spec Study/Legal/Eng/NARES)	\$ (760,500)	\$ (518,829)	68%	\$ (825,901)	\$ (441,350)
	Sub Total Balance	\$ 1,911,097	\$ 2,009,253		\$ 2,393,190	\$ 1,783,614
	<b>Budget Balance</b>	\$ 1,911,097	\$ 2,009,253		\$ 2,393,190	\$ 1,783,614



<b>CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS</b>		<b>FY 18/19</b>	<b>FY 18/19</b>	<b>YTD %</b>	<b>Projected Expenditures</b>	<b>Draft Budget</b>
<b>Account No.</b>	<b>Capital Improvement Projects</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>9-Month Expenditures</b>	<b>of Budget</b>	<b>June 30-2019</b>	<b>FY 19/20</b>
100.332	Water Treatment Plant/Facilities	\$ 300,000	\$ 12,310	4%	\$ 40,822	\$ 375,000
100.333	Cr6 Blending Station/Facilities	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ 385,000
100.335	SWP Pump Station/Pipeline	\$ 5,250	\$ 1,540	29%	\$ 9,157	\$ 5,000
100.373	Fleet Vehicle Addition & Replacement	\$ 90,000	\$ -	0%	\$ 85,773	\$ 90,000
100.372;100.375	Office Computers, Furniture & Equipment	\$ 10,000	\$ 4,994	50%	\$ 9,906	\$ 18,000
100.318	Meter Replacement/Utility Billing	\$ 96,072	\$ 42,935	45%	\$ 49,376	\$ 129,645
100.371;100140	Office Bldg/Shop Improvements	\$ 40,000	\$ -	0%	\$ 6,000	\$ 55,000
100.376	Communication/telemetry Equipment (SCADA)	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ 187,000
100.181-100186	ESRI CAD-GIS System; Equipment	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,749	117%	\$ 1,749	\$ 1,800
100.378	Major Tools, Shop & Garage Equipment	\$ 40,000	\$ 1,767	4%	\$ 19,619	\$ 55,000
100.171	4.0 CFS Well Field	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ 8,000
100.311	Chlorine Bldg' @Wells	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ 20,000
100.170	6.0 CFS Well Field	\$ 11,000	\$ 18,434	168%	\$ 18,434	\$ 15,000
100.350	Uplands Wells	\$ 690,000	\$ 289,882	42%	\$ 501,159	\$ 189,000
100106	Rehab/Replace/New-Trans. Mains/Laterals/Valves	\$ 550,795	\$ 155,160	28%	\$ 193,950	\$ 997,054
100.195	Refugio 2 BPS	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -
100.196	Alamo Pintado BPS	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -
100.197	Refugio 3 BPS	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -
100.198	Meadowlark BPS	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -
100.199	Gallery Well	\$ 5,000	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -
100.102	Zone 1, 2, 3 Reservoirs	\$ 10,200	\$ -	0%	\$ 11,000	\$ -
100.192	Well #3 Rehab	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -
100.224	Emergency Repair - FEMA	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -
	Subtotal Cap Projects	\$ 1,849,817	\$ 528,772	29%	\$ 946,946	\$ 2,530,499
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,849,817</b>	<b>\$ 528,772</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>\$ 946,946</b>	<b>\$ 2,530,499</b>

<b>TOTAL CIP</b>	<b>FY 18/19</b>	<b>FY 18/19</b>	<b>YTD %</b>	<b>Projected Expenditures</b>	<b>Draft Budget</b>
	<b>Budget</b>	<b>9-Month Expenditures</b>	<b>of Budget</b>	<b>June 30-2019</b>	<b>FY 19/20</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,849,817</b>	<b>\$ 528,772</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>\$ 946,946</b>	<b>\$ 2,530,499</b>

RESERVE BALANCE		FY 18/19	FY 18/19	Projected Yr-end	Draft Budget
Account No.	Reserve (Note 1)	Budget	9-Month Actual	June 30-2018	FY 18/19
<b>DISBURSEMENT OF REMAINING BUDGET BALANCE (Note 2)</b>		\$ 1,911,097	\$ 2,009,253	\$ 2,393,190	\$ 1,783,614
271.2a	Construction Reserve	\$ -	\$ (1,540)	\$ 9,157	\$ -
271.4	Special Repair Reserve	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
271.8	Repair & Replace Reserve	\$ (121,450)	\$ (173,595)	\$ (318,315)	\$ (138,000)
272	Plant Expansion Reserve	\$ (1,728,367)	\$ (353,637)	\$ (628,631)	\$ (2,392,499)
271.7	Extension Fee Reserve	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Sub Total CIP Reserves</b>		\$ (1,849,817)	\$ (528,772)	\$ (937,789)	\$ (2,530,499)
<b>Funding to Reserves</b>		\$ 61,280	\$ 1,480,481	\$ 1,455,401	
<b>Funding from Reserves</b>					\$ (746,886)

Note 1 : Reserves - Reserve balances are not actual expenditures of cash. However, for budgetary purposes, payments to reserve funds are treated as cash payment.

These payments are made to cash reserves to fund Construction in Progress, Capital Projects, Other Expenses or for future use by the District.

Debt Management - The District depreciates its fixed assets based on a straight line basis. Depreciation expense is not included in the budget because it is a non-cash item.

TOTAL BUDGET		FY 18/19	FY 18/19	YTD %	Projected Yr-end	Draft Budget
		Budget	9-Month Actual	of Budget	June 30-2018	FY 18/19
<b>TOTAL</b>		\$ 11,372,965	\$ 9,719,122	85%	\$ 11,553,535	\$ 11,751,494





May 2019

Dear Fiscal Officer:

**Subject: Price Factor and Population Information**

**Appropriations Limit**

California Revenue and Taxation Code section 2227 requires the Department of Finance to transmit an estimate of the percentage change in population to local governments. Each local jurisdiction must use their percentage change in population factor for January 1, 2019, in conjunction with a change in the cost of living, or price factor, to calculate their appropriations limit for fiscal year 2019-20. Attachment A provides the change in California's per capita personal income and an example for utilizing the price factor and population percentage change factor to calculate the 2019-20 appropriations limit. Attachment B provides the city and unincorporated county population percentage change. Attachment C provides the population percentage change for counties and their summed incorporated areas. The population percentage change data excludes federal and state institutionalized populations and military populations.

**Population Percent Change for Special Districts**

Some special districts must establish an annual appropriations limit. California Revenue and Taxation Code section 2228 provides additional information regarding the appropriations limit. Article XIII B, section 9(C) of the California Constitution exempts certain special districts from the appropriations limit calculation mandate. The code section and the California Constitution can be accessed at the following website: <http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes.xhtml>.

Special districts required by law to calculate their appropriations limit must present the calculation as part of their annual audit. Any questions special districts have on this requirement should be directed to their county, district legal counsel, or the law itself. No state agency reviews the local appropriations limits.

**Population Certification**

The population certification program applies only to cities and counties. California Revenue and Taxation Code section 11005.6 mandates Finance to automatically certify any population estimate that exceeds the current certified population with the State Controller's Office. **Finance will certify the higher estimate to the State Controller by June 1, 2019.**

**Please Note:** The prior year's city population estimates may be revised.

If you have any questions regarding this data, please contact the Demographic Research Unit at (916) 323-4086.

KEELY BOSLER  
Director  
By:

Vivek Viswanathan  
Chief Deputy Director

Attachment

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- A. **Price Factor:** Article XIII B specifies that local jurisdictions select their cost of living factor to compute their appropriation limit by a vote of their governing body. The cost of living factor provided here is per capita personal income. If the percentage change in per capita personal income is selected, the percentage change to be used in setting the fiscal year 2019-20 appropriation limit is:

Per Capita Personal Income

Fiscal Year (FY)	Percentage change over prior year
2019-20	3.85

- B. Following is an example using sample population change and the change in California per capita personal income as growth factors in computing a 2019-20 appropriation limit.

**2019-20:**

Per Capita Cost of Living Change = 3.85 percent  
 Population Change = 0.47 percent

Per Capita Cost of Living converted to a ratio:  $\frac{3.85 + 100}{100} = 1.0385$

Population converted to a ratio:  $\frac{0.47 + 100}{100} = 1.0047$

Calculation of factor for FY 2019-20:  $1.0385 \times 1.0047 = 1.0434$



Fiscal Year 2019-20

**Attachment B**  
**Annual Percent Change in Population Minus Exclusions\***  
**January 1, 2018 to January 1, 2019 and Total Population, January 1, 2019**

County City	<u>Percent Change</u>	<u>Population Minus Exclusions</u>		<u>Total</u>
	2018-2019	1-1-18	1-1-19	1-1-2019
Santa Barbara				
Buellton	2.60	5,315	5,453	5,453
Carpinteria	-0.60	13,762	13,680	13,680
Goleta	1.80	32,179	32,759	32,759
Guadalupe	2.60	7,640	7,839	7,839
Lompoc	-0.57	40,994	40,759	43,649
Santa Barbara	0.25	93,279	93,512	93,532
Santa Maria	0.67	106,645	107,356	107,356
Solvang	-0.46	5,849	5,822	5,822
Unincorporated	0.28	141,476	141,866	144,503
County Total	0.43	447,139	449,046	454,593

\*Exclusions include residents on federal military installations and group quarters residents in state mental institutions, state and federal correctional institutions and veteran homes.

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1

2019/2020 APPROPRIATION LIMITATION CALCULATION

Population and California per capita personal income change data provided by the State of California Department of Finance effective January 1, 2019 are used in computing the 2019/2020 Appropriation Limitation Calculation as follows:

2018/19 Appropriation Limit	\$ 1,897,818
Per Capita Personal Income Percentage Change over Prior Year	3.85 percent
Population Change over Prior Year Santa Barbara County	.43 percent
Per Capita converted to a ratio:	$\frac{3.85 + 100}{100} = 1.0385$
Population converted to a ratio:	$\frac{.43 + 100}{100} = 1.0043$
CPI Factor	1.0385
Population Factor	1.0043
CPI Factor X Population Factor	1.0430
1.0430 X \$1,897,818 =	\$ 1,979,424

A resolution will be presented to the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1, for adoption of the 2019/2020 Appropriation Limit at a Regular Meeting on June 18, 2019.

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Mary Martone - Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Posted: Thursday, May 30, 2019

Newspaper Publication Dates:

Thursday, June 6, 2019

Thursday, June 13, 2019



DRAFT RESOLUTION NO. XXX

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1  
ESTABLISHING THE APPROPRIATION LIMIT FOR THE 2019/2020 FISCAL YEAR  
PURSUANT TO ARTICLE XIII B OF THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1, Santa Barbara County, California, that:

WHEREAS, the District is required pursuant to Government Code Section 7910 to establish by Resolution its appropriation limit for the 2019/2020 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the documentation used in the determination of said limit has been available to the public in the District office for at least fifteen (15) days prior to the date of this Resolution, and

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the appropriation limit of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1, for the 2019/2020 fiscal year is established at \$1,979,424.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, being duly qualified President and Secretary, respectively, of the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted and passed by the Board of Trustees of said District at a Regular Meeting held on June 18, 2018, by the following roll call vote:

AYES, in favor thereof, Trustees:

NOES, Trustees:

ABSENT, Trustees:

ATTEST:

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Mary Martone, Secretary to the Board of Trustees

DRAFT RESOLUTION NO. 7XX

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1  
ADOPTING THE 2019/2020 BUDGET AND REQUESTING  
AN ASSESSMENT LEVY REQUIRED TO COLLECT \$ 875,000

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1 ("District"), Santa Barbara County, California, that:

WHEREAS, on January 5, 1960 a Special Election was held and voters approved a contract with the United States Bureau of Reclamation, Contract No. 14-06-200-8253 ("Contract"), for the object and purpose of providing an adequate system of water supply, storage and distribution facilities, mains and appurtenances, and lands and easements necessary therefor for Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1, and its inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, Article 18(b) of the Contract requires the District to levy taxes and assessments to fulfill its contractual obligations; and

WHEREAS, Water Code Section 74630, and former section 20.4 of the Water Conservation Act of 1931, provide the statutory basis which allows the District to levy prior and future annual assessments to meet its obligations under a voter-approved contract, including the Contract debt obligations, and the continuing operation and maintenance of such project works; and

WHEREAS, the District refinanced its Contract debt obligations with the issuance of bonds in 1988, 1993 and 2004 and continues to pay its debt obligations incurred under the Contract, and the cost of the continuing operations, maintenance, repair, replacement, and betterment of the project works, and

WHEREAS, the bond documents require that "The income and receipts of the Bond Fund will be derived from (i) the collection of an ad valorem assessment tax (the "Assessment") collected at the same time and in the same manner as is provided by law for the collection of annual property taxes which may be levied for purposes of the District, which as collected shall be forthwith paid into the Bond Fund"; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1, is required by law to forward to the Board of Supervisors and the County Auditor of the County of Santa Barbara an estimate, in writing, of the amount of money needed for the purposes of Improvement District No. 1 for the ensuing fiscal year July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020, and any reserve funds; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the assessment levy of \$875,000 will provide sufficient funds to meet the obligations of the District as stated above; and

WHEREAS, the District passed Resolution No. 7XX on June 18, 2019 establishing its appropriation limit for the 2019/2020 fiscal year pursuant to Government Code Section 7910; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has considered a proposed budget for the fiscal year 2019/2020; and

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1, that the Secretary to the Board is hereby authorized and directed to forward to the Board of Supervisors and the County Auditor of the County of Santa Barbara, in writing, a request for a levy of \$875,000 for the fiscal year 2019/2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proposed budget as shown in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated by this reference is hereby approved and adopted for the fiscal year 2019/2020.



WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, being duly qualified and acting President and Secretary, respectively, of the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted and passed by the Board of Trustees of said District at a Regular Meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 2019, by the following roll call vote:

AYES, in favor thereof, Trustees:

NOES, Trustees:

ABSENT, Trustees:

ATTEST:

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Mary Martone, Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District  
Improvement District No. 1  
3622 Sagunto Street - P.O. Box 157  
Santa Ynez, CA 93460  
(805) 688-6015

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1, will consider adopting a resolution setting the limit of appropriations pursuant to Article XIII B of the Constitution of the State of California for fiscal year 2019/2020 at a Regular Meeting to be held on Tuesday, June 18, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. at 1070 Faraday Street, Santa Ynez, Ca. - Conference Room.

Documentation used in determining said limit is available to the public in the District office located at 3622 Sagunto Street, Santa Ynez, as of the date of this notice.

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Mary Martone  
Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Dated: May 29, 2019

Posted: Thursday, May 30, 2019

Newspaper Publication Dates:  
Thursday, June 6, 2019  
Thursday, June 13, 2019



**To:** Board of Trustees

**From:** Chris Dahlstrom, General Manager  
Mary Martone, Administrative Manager

**Date:** May 29, 2019

**Subject:** 2019 PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL UPDATE

**Agenda Item:**

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### Staff Report

#### **BACKGROUND**

The current Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1 Personnel Policy Manual (PPM) was last updated and approved by the Board of Trustees on February 20, 2018.

Annually Management works with Mr. Jeff Dinkin, from Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, the District's Employment Law Legal Counsel, to identify and incorporate mandated changes and/or additions and clarifications to the PPM. The attached redlined pages represent proposed revisions and modernizations to the affected sections of the PPM which were discussed with Mr. Dinkin and approved to move forward for Board action.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Board approve the amendments to the District's Personnel Policy Manual as presented. No immediate fiscal financial impact would occur with the proposed amendments.



## 5. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

SYRWCD ID#1 supports equal employment opportunities and does not unlawfully discriminate against its employees or applicants because of race, color, religious creed, sex (including pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions), sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, ancestry, age (40 and above), marital status, military or veteran status, physical or mental disability, medical condition (~~genetic characteristics, cancer or a record or history of cancer or any other similar disease~~), genetic information, citizenship status, or any other basis protected by law. SYRWCD ID#1 also makes reasonable accommodations for legally disabled employees unless to do so would constitute an undue hardship. Finally, SYRWCD ID#1 prohibits the harassment of any individual based on any of the categories listed above. This policy applies to all areas of employment including recruitment, hiring, training, promotion, compensation, benefits and other programs.

## 6. AUTHORIZATION TO WORK

All offers of employment are contingent on verification of an employee's right to work in the United States. Within the first three days of employment the employee will be asked to provide original documents verifying the employee's right to work and to sign a verification form required by federal law. If the employee at any time cannot verify his/her right to work in the United States, the SYRWCD ID#1 may be obliged to terminate the employee's employment.

## 7. PROBATIONARY PERIOD

There is a twelve (12) month probationary period for each new employee, or a former employee who is rehired. However, a former employee rehired in his/her former classification with a six (6) month or less break in service will be subject only to a three (3) month probationary period. The probationary period provides an employee the opportunity to assess the SYRWCD ID#1 and the job content, and allows the SYRWCD ID#1 to evaluate the new employee and his/her job performance. Prior to the end of an employee's probationary period there may be one or more written or oral job performance review(s) which will not be related to salary action but will be for the purpose of reviewing initial performance. During the probationary period, an employee may be discharged by the SYRWCD ID#1 for any reason without notice or appeal. On successful completion of the probationary period, an employee will become a regular employee of SYRWCD ID#1.

An employee promoted to a classification within the SYRWCD ID#1 will serve a twelve ~~(12)~~ month probationary period in the classification to which he/she was promoted. If the promoted employee fails to pass the probationary period, at the sole discretion of the General Manager, he/she may displace the least senior employee in the classification from which the employee was promoted.

The SYRWCD ID#1 can extend the duration of an employee's probationary period one or more times, for a total maximum extension of six (6) months, if deemed appropriate in the discretion of the General Manager.

## 8. EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION



b) Hours and Breaks

Normal hours of work are from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for the operations staff with a 30 minute unpaid lunch period, and 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for administrative staff with a one hour unpaid lunch period. Any deviation from this schedule requires the approval of the General Manager and must be noted on an employee's time card. SYRWCD ID#1 encourages a 10-minute rest break twice daily for non-exempt employees as allowed by law. These breaks are to be taken approximately two hours after the start of the work day and approximately two hours after the lunch period. Breaks should be scheduled by the immediate supervisor. The SYRWCD ID#1 reserves the right to modify employees' starting and quitting times and the number of hours worked.

c) Educational Assistance & Training

1. **Educational Assistance** - The SYRWCD ID#1 encourages employees to continue their education to maintain and improve the skills and knowledge required in their job or to prepare for promotional opportunities. Upon satisfactory completion by full-time regular employees of courses approved by the General Manager, the SYRWCD ID#1 will pay the employee's cost of tuition and required books, up to a maximum of \$1,000 per fiscal year.
2. **Training** - Organized instructional courses offered by public or private educational institutions may be considered appropriate training programs for employees if approved by the General Manager. When approved training courses or other training programs have been completed by the employee, the employee may file evidence of completion with the General Manager or Administrative Manager. Such evidence of completion shall be made a part of the employee's personnel record. Participation in and successful completion of training courses or programs shall be considered in making advancements and promotions.

d) Overtime

All non-exempt employees shall be paid overtime and compensated at the rate of 1½ times their regular rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in one work week and based on timecards prepared for each pay period by each employee. Operations staff shall be released from duty after 40 hours of work (excluding on-call time) unless overtime work is authorized by the General Manager.

Overtime shall be computed on "actual hours worked", adjusted to the nearest increment of 15 minutes. Actual hours worked do not include paid or unpaid time off work (e.g., vacation, sick leave, bereavement, leaves of absence). For the purposes of calculating overtime, official District holidays (where the District is closed for business) will be considered as hours worked. Hours worked during "On-Call" which are compensated at the rate of 1½ times the regular rate of pay, or "Holiday On-Call" time compensated at two (2) times the regular rate of pay, shall not count toward determining whether an employee has worked in excess of 40 hours in one work week.

Except in cases of emergency, non-exempt employees shall not work overtime without the express prior approval of the General Manager or Administrative Manager.

e) Compensatory Time

Non-exempt employees may accrue compensatory time off (CTO) in lieu of overtime payment only if approved in advance by and at the discretion of the General Manager. Approved CTO shall be earned at the rate of one and one-half hours for each overtime hour worked, and may be accrued to a maximum of 40 hours. Accrued CTO must be used during the calendar year in which it is earned; all unused accrued CTO shall be paid to the employee at his/her then current rate of pay at the end of each calendar year.

f) On-Call Time

On-Call time is time outside the operations staff's regularly scheduled hours of work, including holidays and weekends, during which the employee is on stand-by to perform emergency work or to carry out authorized District functions during off-duty hours. Employees normally are assigned to be on-call during a consecutive seven (7) day period, but may be assigned to be on-call for shorter or longer periods as necessary for the protection of public health, safety or welfare. Employees assigned to be On-Call will be provided a cellular telephone, and are expected to be available at all times during the On-Call period. Generally, only one operations staff will be assigned to be On-Call at any given time.

Work performed by the assigned On-Call operations staff during On-Call time is paid at 1½ times the regular rate of pay for all actual On-Call hours worked, with a minimum of one (1) hour pay at the On-Call rate for On-Call work on a weekday and ~~three (3)~~ four (4) hours pay at the On-Call rate for On-Call work on a weekend (Saturday and Sunday), unless the work is performed on a holiday.

For work performed by the assigned operations staff during On-Call time on a scheduled holiday, the employee shall be paid at double time their regular rate of pay for all actual On-Call hours worked on the holiday, with a minimum of four (4) hours pay at the double time Holiday On-Call rate.

Work performed by employees other than the assigned On-Call operations staff outside their regularly scheduled hours of work shall be compensated in accordance with the section of this Manual governing overtime work (Section 1.10.d).

Except where necessitated due to the nature of an emergency situation, work performed during On-Call time should be authorized in advance by the General Manager or his designee.

If the assigned On-Call operations staff uses one (1) day of sick leave or bereavement leave during the assigned On-Call period, the On-Call assignment will be transferred to another operations staff for the duration of the assigned On-Call period or until the operations staff returns to work, whichever comes first.

No operations staff shall be assigned On-Call or Holiday On-Call duty in a work week in which he/she has scheduled vacation time off. In the event the assigned operations staff schedules or uses a day of sick leave, bereavement leave or vacation time off on the Friday immediately preceding the assigned On-Call period, the On-Call assignment will be transferred to another



## SECTION 3 - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

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### 1. HOLIDAYS

SYRWCD ID#1 observes ~~thirteen-12~~ (1312) paid holidays annually, namely:

New Years Day  
Martin Luther King Day  
Presidents' Day  
Memorial Day  
Independence Day  
Labor Day  
~~Columbus Day~~  
Veterans Day  
Thanksgiving Day  
Friday following Thanksgiving  
Christmas Eve ~~from 12 noon~~  
Christmas Day  
New Years Eve ~~from 12 noon~~

The above listed holidays are referred to as "Designated Holidays." "Scheduled Holidays" are the observed holiday dates when Designated Holidays fall on a Saturday or Sunday. Designated Holidays falling on Saturday will be observed on the preceding Friday; those falling on Sunday will be observed on the following Monday. Regular and probationary non-exempt employees will receive pay for holidays only if at work, or on approved sick leave or vacation leave, both the work day before and the work day after the Scheduled Holiday. Regular or probationary hourly employees will be paid for their normal workday if it falls on a Scheduled Holiday and the above requirement is met. Temporary and casual employees are ineligible for holiday benefits. All employees are ineligible for holiday benefits that accrue while on leave of absence.

Employees who perform work on a Scheduled Holiday shall be paid at double time their regular rate of pay for all actual hours of work on the holiday.

### 2. MANAGEMENT PERSONAL LEAVE DAYS

Exempt ~~management~~ employees shall receive five (5) days ~~management personal~~ leave per year to be taken at the discretion of the General Manager during the year in which they are received. ~~Management Personal~~ leave days may not be carried over from year to year, and employees will be compensated for any unused personal leave days accrued at the end of each calendar year.

### 3. VACATION

All regular and probationary full-time employees accrue paid vacation time off on a monthly basis according to the following annual accrual schedule. Accrued vacation time may not be taken until the completion of six (6) months of continuous service, except as otherwise authorized by the General Manager.

~~0 months—4 years service~~ Less than 5 years 10 days vacation  
5 - 9 years 15 days vacation

10 or more+ years

20 days vacation

Regular and probationary hourly and part-time employees will accrue vacation monthly based on a pro-rata basis. Vacation will not accrue during any unpaid leaves of absence or while on unpaid disability leave. Temporary and casual employees are ineligible for vacation benefits.

Vacation time earned may be taken after it is accrued subject to the advance approval of the General Manager. Insofar as possible, vacations will be scheduled on a voluntary basis with consideration given to seniority, the choice of the employee, and the convenience of SYRWCD ID#1. For exempt employees only, absences of less than one (1) day for reasons covered under this subsection shall not be charged against the employee's accrued vacation time balance.

The maximum amount of unused vacation benefits that a non-exempt employee may accrue is the annual vacation benefit available to the employee for the current year, times three. After an employee has accrued the maximum amount, no further vacation benefits will accrue until the employee uses some portion of the maximum amount or becomes eligible for additional vacation benefits because of his/her years of service. When an employee uses vacation benefits so that his/her accrued but unused vacation benefits fall below the maximum, or when an employee is entitled to additional vacation benefits, the employee will resume earning vacation benefits from that date forward until the employee again has accrued the maximum amount.

For exempt employees, the maximum amount of unused vacation benefits that may be carried over from year-to-year is the annual vacation benefit available to the employee for the current year, times three. In the event at the end of any calendar year an exempt employee has accrued more than three times his or her annual vacation benefit, he or she will be paid for the vacation time accrued as of the end of that calendar year in excess of that maximum amount at his or her then current base rate of pay.

Vacation time accrued prior to September 18, 1996, shall remain as a separate accrual balance and shall not be considered in determining whether the employee has reached the accrual maximum. Employees may use this pre-September 18, 1996 vacation balance for taking vacation time off subject to the provisions of this section.

Should an employee be absent due to illness at the time of his/her scheduled vacation, the employee will be permitted to change his/her vacation to a subsequent date which will not conflict with another employee's vacation. If an employee becomes sick after his/her vacation time becomes effective, the employee may, upon notifying his/her supervisor and providing appropriate documentation, take the balance of vacation at a subsequent date so long as it does not conflict with another employee's vacation period.

No non-exempt employee will receive pay in lieu of vacation except on separation from employment at which time the employee shall be paid for all accrued but unused vacation at the employee's base rate at the time of separation.

#### 4. SICK LEAVE



## 18. RETIREMENT

The SYRWCD ID#1 participates in the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS). Due to changes in the law effective January 1, 2013 under the Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA), the SYRWCD ID#1 will have two tiers of employees: 1) Those employed before January 1, 2013 and Classic Members as defined by PEPRA; and 2) Those employed on or after January 1, 2013 who are also considered New Members as defined by PEPRA.

Tier 1: For all probationary and regular full-time and qualifying hourly employees hired prior to January 1, 2013 and for all Classic Members, as defined by PEPRA, employed by SYRWCD ID#1 after January 1, 2013, the benefit is provided at the 2% @ 55 Formula Benefit Level, with final compensation based on the highest average compensation during a 36 consecutive months period. SYRWCD ID#1 pays the employee's contribution which is approximately 7% of the employee's salary to PERS in addition to paying the employer's contribution.

Tier 2: For all probationary and regular full-time and qualifying hourly employees hired on or after January 1, 2013 who are also considered New Members as defined by PEPRA ("New Members"), the benefit is provided at the 2% @ 62 Formula Benefit Level, with final compensation based on the highest average compensation during a 36 consecutive months period. All Tier 2 employees are required by law to pay the 6.5% employee contribution.

Yearly compensation limits for both CalPERS Classic Members and New Members are set under Section 401-(a)-(17) of the Internal Revenue Code for Classic Members who became CalPERS members after July 1, 1996 and Government Code Section 7522.10 of the PEPRA provides the authority for the earning limits for all New Members.

Although the annual compensation limits do not constrain the salary that SYRWCD ID#1 can pay an employee, it does limit the amount of compensation taken into account under the CalPERS defined benefit plan and restricts the employee and employer contributions to the employee's CalPERS account for the remainder of that calendar year.

Because such contribution limits penalize those affected employees' retirement benefits and create an inequity among employees, to the extent provided by this provision SYRWCD ID#1 shall continue to contribute an amount that is equal to the yearly percentage contribution set by CalPERS for the remainder of the calendar year when contributions to the employee's CalPERS account are not allowed as described above.

For Tier 1 (Classic) employees, for that time period SYRWCD ID #1 shall make contributions to the employee's qualified 457 deferred compensation retirement plan (see next section) ("457 plan") in the amount of SYRWCD ID#1's and the employee's CalPERS contributions.

For Tier 2 (New Member) employees, for that time period, if the employee authorizes in writing a deduction from their paycheck equal to the required amount of the employee's 6.5% contribution to CalPERS to fund the employee's individual 457 Plan, SYRWCD, ID#1 shall continue to contribute an amount that is equal to SYRWCD ID#1's required percentage contribution amount set by CalPERS to that employee's 457 Plan. This written authorization must be provided to the Administrative Manager



within five (5) business days of the employee being notified that the employee will be meeting or exceeding the annual compensation limits for the calendar year.

See the Administrative Manager for additional information regarding PERS.

The SYRWCD ID#1 participates and pays the required employer contribution in social security and Medicare.

#### **19. DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN**

SYRWCD ID#1 makes available a 457 deferred compensation plan which permits probationary and regular employees to defer a portion of their income until retirement. All plan funds plus accrued interest are refundable according to the plan's provisions should an employee leave SYRWCD ID#1, or otherwise seek to withdraw his/her contributions prior to retirement. The Administrative Manager should be consulted for additional information regarding the deferred compensation plan or to review the plan documents.

The deferred compensation plan document was amended and restated effective December 2018. The restated plan document allows for employer contributions to an account balance for a participant on a non-elective basis, including but not limited to employer matching contributions, subject to the participant's 457 deferred compensation plan contribution limits. No SYRWCD ID#1 contribution toward a participant's 457 plan balance shall be made unless expressly authorized under this Manual or upon express approval by the Board of Trustees.

#### **20. HEALTH, DENTAL, VISION INSURANCE**

A program of health, dental and vision care insurance is available to all regular and probationary full-time and hourly employees. This insurance coverage will be effective the first of the month following the submission of properly completed enrollment forms to the Administrative Manager. Such enrollment forms must be submitted within sixty (60) days of the employee's date of hire. SYRWCD ID#1 will contribute toward health, dental and vision insurance as described below.

1. Dental and vision care insurance coverage for regular and probationary full-time and hourly employees and their eligible dependents are fully paid by the SYRWCD ID#1.
2. Health insurance coverage for regular and probationary full-time employees and their eligible dependents shall be paid by SYRWCD ID#1 up to the amount of the monthly premium for ACWA Advantage coverage for employee and family.
3. For regular and probationary hourly employees and their qualifying dependents, health insurance coverage shall be paid by SYRWCD ID#1 up to the pro rata amount of the monthly premium for ACWA Advantage for employee only and up to one-half of the pro rata additional amount of the monthly premium for ACWA Advantage coverage for qualifying dependents. For example, for an hourly employee who is regularly scheduled to work 30 hours per week, SYRWCD ID#1 will pay for such coverage up to 75% of the monthly premium for ACWA Advantage coverage for employee coverage and 37% of the monthly premium for ACWA Advantage coverage for qualifying dependents.



4. The employee may select coverage best suited for the individual employee to allow the maximum flexibility for coverage of dependents under alternative ACWA plans. The Administrative Manager should be consulted for additional information regarding health, dental, and vision care insurance coverage and benefits, or to see copies of the insurance plans.
  
5. Retirees who retire from employment with SYRWCD ID#1 under CalPERS with at least 10 years of continuous service with SYRWCD ID#1 and their spouse and eligible dependent(s) shall be eligible for contributions by SYRWCD ID#1 toward retiree health insurance coverage, but not dental or vision insurance coverage, so long as that person is eligible for coverage under the provisions of the SYRWCD ID#1 health insurance plan then in effect on the following terms and conditions. Coverage is provided to the retiree, spouse and dependent(s), but only if that person (i.e., the retiree, the retiree's spouse and/ or the retiree's dependent(s)) was enrolled in the health insurance plan immediately prior to retirement. When the retiree, spouse and/or dependent(s) becomes Medicare eligible, the retiree, spouse and/or eligible dependent(s) must enroll in Medicare and provide SYRWCD ID#1 with appropriate forms for premium contribution reduction. The health insurance coverage contribution for monthly and hourly retirees, and their spouse and dependent(s), shall be a percentage of the contribution for active employees in the same class (e.g., full-time retirees receive a percentage of the contribution paid on behalf of active full-time employees) based on years of continuous service as detailed below:

<u>District Years of Continuous Service</u>	<u>District Contribution</u>
Less than 10 Years	0% (not eligible for retiree coverage, other than right to elect continuation coverage under Cal- COBRA)
10 Years	50%
11 to 19 Years	50%, plus 5% added for each year of continuous service (for example, 55% with 11 years of continuous service, and 60% with 12 years of continuous service)
20 Years or more	100%

Upon the death of the retiree, health insurance contributions shall continue for the retiree's surviving spouse and dependent(s) so long as the surviving spouse and/or dependent(s) are eligible for coverage under the terms of the SYRWCD ID#1 health insurance plan then in effect, except that such contributions shall cease if the spouse remarries or if the spouse and/or dependent(s) become eligible for coverage under another group health insurance plan. Upon the spouse's and/or dependent(s) eligibility for Medicare, SYRWCD ID#1's contribution under this provision shall be reduced by 50%.

In the event of the death of an active employee of SYRWCD ID#1 who had a minimum of ten years of continuous service with SYRWCD ID#1, SYRWCD ID#1 shall continue to pay the health

insurance premiums for the employee's spouse and/or dependent(s) to the same extent and upon the same terms as for the surviving spouse and/or dependent(s) in accordance the terms of this section.

6. Continuation coverage is available if employees, (their spouse and/or their eligible dependent(s)) ("Covered Person") loses coverage due to certain qualifying events, such as, for example, the termination of employment with SYRWCD ID#1. This continuation coverage is available in accordance with the COBRA regulations. If a Covered Person experiences a qualifying event, the Covered Person may elect to continue coverage under the plan consistent with the COBRA regulations including the obligation to , provided that the employee pays for the cost of that coverage (plus a small administration fee). There are important notice and election requirements associated with continuation coverage under COBRA, which are subject to time limitations. SYRWCD ID#1 will notify employees or other Covered Person at the appropriate time if an event occurs that qualifies an employee or other Covered Person for continuation coverage.



## 18. WORKPLACE VIOLENCE

SYRWCD ID#1 recognizes that workplace violence is a growing concern among employers and employees across the country. SYRWCD ID#1 is committed to providing a safe, violence-free workplace and strictly prohibits employees, consultants, customers, visitors, or anyone else on the SYRWCD ID#1 premises or engaging in SYRWCD ID#1 business or sponsored activity from behaving in a violent or threatening manner. As part of this policy, SYRWCD ID#1 seeks to prevent workplace violence before it begins and may take preventative action to address potential workplace violence prior to any violent or threatening behavior occurring. SYRWCD ID#1 believes that prevention of workplace violence begins with recognition and awareness of potential early warning signs, and prompt reporting of any workplace violence related concerns.

Workplace violence includes, without limitation: (1) verbal or physical threats of violence; (2) physically aggressive or violent behavior, (3) attempts to instill fear of physical harm in others; (4) other behavior that suggests a propensity toward violence, which can include belligerent speech, excessive arguing or swearing, sabotage, or threats of sabotage of SYRWCD ID#1 property, or a demonstrated pattern of refusal to follow SYRWCD ID#1 policies and procedures; (5) defacing SYRWCD ID#1 property or causing physical damage to the facility; or (6) bringing weapons or firearms of any kind onto SYRWCD ID#1 premises, in SYRWCD ID#1 parking lots, in SYRWCD ID#1 vehicles, or while conducting SYRWCD ID#1 business. As part of this policy, employees are strictly prohibited from bringing weapons or firearms of any kind onto SYRWCD ID#1 premises, in SYRWCD ID#1 parking lots, in SYRWCD ID#1 vehicles, or while conducting SYRWCD ID#1 business.

If any employee observes or becomes aware of any of the above-listed actions or behaviors by an employee, customer, consultant, visitor, or anyone else in connection with SYRWCD ID#1, or otherwise has concerns regarding potential workplace violence, he or she should immediately notify his/her supervisor, the General Manager or his/her designee. Further, employees should notify his/her supervisor or the General Manager or his/her designee if any restraining order is in effect, or if a potentially violent non-work-related situation exists that may relate to or result in violence in the workplace. If any employee feels there is an immediate threat to safety, the employee should take steps to get to a safe space and contact law enforcement.

All good faith reports of workplace violence will be taken seriously and will be investigated promptly and thoroughly. In appropriate circumstances, SYRWCD ID#1 will inform the reporting individual of the results of the investigation. To the extent possible, SYRWCD ID#1 will maintain the confidentiality of the reporting employee and of the investigation but may need to disclose results or information in appropriate circumstances, for example, in order to protect individual safety or complete the investigation. SYRWCD ID#1 will not tolerate retaliation against any employee who reports workplace violence in good faith.

If SYRWCD ID#1 determines that workplace violence has occurred, SYRWCD ID#1 will take appropriate corrective action and will impose discipline on offending employees, up to and including termination. The appropriate discipline will depend on the particular facts of each case. If violent behavior is that of a non-employee, SYRWCD ID#1 will take action as deemed appropriate and that law enforcement is notified as needed in an attempt to ensure that such behavior ceases and is not repeated. In addition,



SYRWCD ID#1 may request that the employee participate in counseling, either voluntarily or as a condition of continued employment.

#### 18.19. SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Employees are required to abide by the provisions of the SYRWCD ID#1 Substance Abuse Policy, a copy of which is set forth at the end of this Manual as Appendix B.

#### 19.20. Drug Testing

SYRWCD ID#1 is committed to maintaining a drug-free work place. SYRWCD ID#1 prohibits the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of any controlled substance in the work place. Employees who violate this policy shall be disciplined up to and including termination.

An employee may be asked or required to submit to testing procedures designed to detect the presence of drugs and/or alcohol in accordance with the Substance Abuse Policy attached to this Manual as Appendix B.

A request for testing does not imply that an employee is under the influence of any improper substance or has violated SYRWCD ID#1 policy. However, such testing may be requested or required when SYRWCD ID #1 determines that it is appropriate under the Substance Abuse Policy. Any employee who does not consent to and cooperate with any search and/or medical testing procedure will be disciplined up to and including termination.

#### 20.21. SMOKING

For health, safety, and legal considerations, all SYRWCD ID#1 buildings, structures and vehicles are considered non-smoking areas.

#### 21.22. PARKING

Parking for all employees is provided by SYRWCD ID#1 at its District office.

#### 22.23. RETURN OF SYRWCD ID#1 PROPERTY

On termination of employment, whether voluntary or involuntary, or at the request of the General Manager, all SYRWCD ID#1 property, including computer disks, keys, identification cards, and all SYRWCD ID#1 documents in the employee's possession or control must be returned to the Administrative Manager, who will provide a receipt to the employee indicating what the employee has returned.

#### 23.24. VOICE MAIL, E-MAIL, CELL PHONE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY

SYRWCD ID#1 maintains and utilizes as part of its operations various forms of electronic communications, including, but not limited to, communications via computer systems, including e-mail, telephones, cellular phones, smart phones, text messaging, internet, PDA's, etc. These systems are provided to assist employees in the conduct of SYRWCD ID#1 business. All computers and the data stored on them, including e-mail, as well as all voice-mail and the data stored on it, are and remain at all

## APPENDIX C- TRAVEL AND REIMBURSEMENT POLICY

### TRAVEL AND REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for the reimbursement of reasonable expenses which are necessarily incurred by employees while conducting business on behalf of the SYRWCD ID#1.

#### Reimbursable Activities

There are certain activities that may be undertaken by SYRWCD ID#1 employees for which expenses may be incurred and for which reimbursements may be made. Whenever possible, the employee should obtain advance approval of reimbursable expenses from the General Manager. Expenses incurred without advance approval, while subject to reimbursement pursuant to this policy, are incurred at the employee's own risk. Reimbursable expenses may include the following:

#### Meetings, Conferences, Seminars

Attendance at meetings, conferences and seminars must relate directly to assigned or anticipated training needs of the employee or the career and professional development of the employee. Requests for the attendance at any meeting, conference or seminar must be justified and submitted to the General Manager for approval prior to attendance. Approval of such requests must include the determination that attendance will be in the best interest of and benefit to the SYRWCD ID#1.

#### Business Activities

Employees, with the approval of the General Manager may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses that are incurred while conducting business with parties from outside the organization.

#### Community Relations Activities

Employees may, with the approval of the General Manager, represent SYRWCD ID#1 at functions sponsored by community organizations and may be reimbursed for expenses incurred if determined to be in the best interest of the SYRWCD ID#1.

#### Other

The reimbursement of expenses incurred by SYRWCD ID#1 employee for activities other than described above may be made if the reimbursement is approved by the General Manager. Approval of the activity must be obtained prior to incurring the expense whenever reasonably possible.

#### Reimbursable Expenses

Reimbursable expenses may include such necessary expenses as transportation, mileage, lodging, and meals. Although SYRWCD ID#1 does not have stated per diem rates for lodging, employees should make every effort to acquire lodging facilities that are reasonably priced. All employees are required to use government rates offered by hotels whenever available. Employees may be required to show proof of employment in a government agency and should be prepared to present their SYRWCD ID#1 Employee Identification Card.

Employees on SYRWCD ID#1 approved travel shall be covered up to the maximum rate allowable for meals, travel, and incidental expenses incurred inside or outside of the the United States in accordance with the General Services Administration (GSA) travel regulations in effect on the date of travel. <https://www.gsa.gov/travel/plan-book/per-diem-rates>. Per Diem meal allowance is currently \$50.00 per day.



The full cost of official program functions, except those that are solely for the entertainment and recreation of the employee, may be reimbursed if reasonably necessary and if approved by the General Manager. All expenses must be clearly substantiated prior to reimbursement. Unnecessary or exorbitant expenses will not be allowed.

Reasonable charges for vehicle parking, rental cars, local transportation, business telephone calls or any other necessary expenses while traveling on official SYRWCD ID#1 business are subject to reimbursement upon approval by the General Manager.

#### Non-Reimbursable Expenses

No personal expenses, such as laundry, in-room movies, entertainment expenses, gratuities exceeding 20%, barbering, valet service, or personal telephone calls shall be reimbursed, although reasonable calls to family during out-of-town trips are reimbursable. Fines for traffic violations, private auto repair, cocktails or liquor shall be considered non-reimbursable expenses.

Expenses incurred by a spouse or guest who accompanies an employee shall not be reimbursed.

An employee may stay with a friend or relative while attending an out-of-town meeting or conference on behalf of SYRWCD ID#1. However, the employee will not be reimbursed for any payment to the friend or relative for lodging.

Costs incurred while entertaining colleagues or business associates (as opposed to conducting business) shall not be reimbursed.

#### Travel Planning Guidelines

Employees are allowed to travel by commercial aircraft with the approval of the General Manager whenever such travel expedites the conduct of official SYRWCD ID#1 business. SYRWCD ID#1 employees shall travel by the least expensive class available.

Travel arrangements should be made well in advance of the planned travel date to receive the most favorable fares. Assistance in making travel arrangements can be provided by the Administrative Staff by requesting such assistance from the Administrative Manager.

Travel by private automobile will be made in accordance with the Use of Personal Vehicles Policy (Section 4.11 of the Personnel Policy Manual) and will be reimbursed in accordance with current IRS guidelines for mileage reimbursement.

#### Cash Advance

For out-of-town meetings, seminars, etc., an employee may receive a cash advance after the expense has been approved by and at the discretion of, the General Manager. Requests for cash advances must be made no more than ten (10) days nor less than two (2) days prior to departure. The actual cash advance will be available the day before departure. Receipts and justification for any portion of the cash advance expended shall immediately be provided the General Manager upon the employee's return to work.

#### Advance Registrations

RESOLUTION No. 786

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1  
AMENDING THE DISTRICT'S PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees previously adopted, and subsequently updated and revised, personnel policies by Resolutions which set forth certain of the terms and conditions of employment for employees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1 ("District"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees desires to update and revise the Personnel Policy Manual, including but not limited to, compliance with revised and new federal and state requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has the authority to adopt amendments to the Personnel Policy Manual; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has reviewed the proposed revisions to the Personnel Policy Manual, Section 1, Section 3 and Section 4, and Appendix C a copy of which is attached and incorporated by this reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1, as follows:

1. The District Personnel Policy revisions to Section 1 - Introduction to Employment; Section 3 - Employee Benefits; Section 4 - Employment Benefits; and Appendix C - Travel and Reimbursement Policy is approved, adopted and incorporated into the personnel policies and procedures of the District.
2. Except where required by contract or law, the provisions of the Personnel Policy Manual shall apply to and govern the terms and conditions of employment of all current and future employees of the District, and a copy of the Personnel Policy Manual or any revisions shall be given to all current employees of the District and shall be given to all new employees immediately upon hire.
3. The General Manager, working in conjunction with the Board of Trustees, is hereby authorized to implement the policies, provisions and procedures of the Personnel Policy Manual.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, being duly qualified Vice President and Secretary, respectively, of the Board of Trustees of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted and passed by the Board of Trustees of said District at a Special meeting held on May 29, 2019 by the following roll call vote:

AYES, Trustees:

NOES, Trustees:

ABSENT, Trustees:

ATTEST:

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Mary Martone - Secretary to the Board of Trustees



CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER FORM

CHANGE ORDER NUMBER: 1

DATE: 3/19/2019

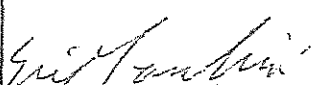

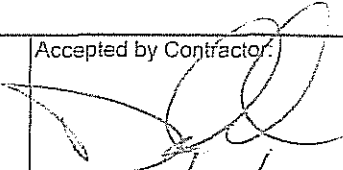
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PRIOR CHANGE ORDERS AMOUNT:	\$0.00
TOTAL CONTRACT PRIOR TO THIS CHANGE ORDER:	\$379,360.00
THIS CHANGE ORDER AMOUNT:	(\$28,054.00)
NEW CONTRACT AMOUNT:	\$351,306.00

ORIGINAL  
CONTRACT  
DATE: 1/30/2019

PROJECT: Upland Water Well Drilling and Construction - Well 29  
 OWNER: Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1  
 CONTRACTOR: Fein Drilling & Pump Co., Inc.

Change Order Items	Addition	Deduction	Days Ext.
Addition of 4 feet of blank well casing @ \$355/ft.	1,420.00		
Reduction of 31 feet of well screen @ \$414/ft.		12,834.00	
Pilot borehole ream reduced by 97' feet to 263'.		11,640.00	
Optional plumbness survey not performed.		5,000.00	
NET TOTAL:	\$1,420.00	\$29,474.00	

We hereby agree to make the above change subject to the terms of this order for the sum of: (\$28,054.00)  
 Negative twenty-eight thousand fifty-four only \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars.

Recommended by Engineer: 	Approved by Owner: 	Accepted by Contractor: 
Date: <u>3/19/19</u>	Date: <u>3/19/2019</u>	Date: <u>3/14/19</u>

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**CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER FORM**

CHANGE ORDER NUMBER: 2

DATE: 5/3/2019

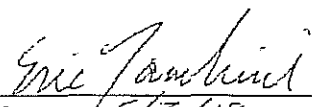
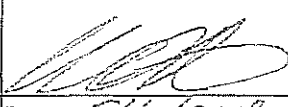

BASE CONTRACT AMOUNT:	\$379,360.00
PRIOR CHANGE ORDERS AMOUNT:	(\$28,054.00)
TOTAL CONTRACT PRIOR TO THIS CHANGE ORDER:	\$351,306.00
THIS CHANGE ORDER AMOUNT:	\$118.00
NEW CONTRACT AMOUNT:	\$351,424.00

ORIGINAL  
CONTRACT  
DATE: 1/30/2019

PROJECT: Upland Water Well Drilling and Construction - Well 29  
 OWNER: Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1  
 CONTRACTOR: Fein Drilling & Pump Co., Inc.

Change Order Items	Addition	Deduction	Days Ext.
Increase of dual-swab development by 37 hours @ \$360/hr	\$13,320.00		
Eliminated air lift development with drilling rig (8 hrs. @ \$700/hr.)		5,600.00	
Reduction of 3 hours pump development @ \$500/hr.		1,500.00	
Reduction of 12 hours pump testing @ \$360/hr.		4,320.00	
Reduction of 27 feet of installed filter pack @ \$66/ft.		1,782.00	
<b>NET TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$13,320.00</b>	<b>\$13,202.00</b>	

We hereby agree to make the above change subject to the terms of this order for the sum of : \$118.00  
 Negative twenty-eight thousand fifty-four only \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars.

Recommended by Engineer: 	Approved by Owner: 	Accepted by Contractor: 
Date: <u>5/3/19</u>	Date: <u>5/6/2019</u>	Date: <u>5/6/19</u>

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NOTICE OF COMPLETION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:

1. The undersigned is an owner/agent of the interest or estate stated below.
2. The full name of the owner is Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1 (District).
3. The full address of the owner is 3622 Sagunto Street, Santa Ynez, California, 93460
4. The nature of the interest or estate is: The project site is owned in fee by the District.
5. A work of improvement on the property herein described was completed and the Owner accepted the project as complete as authorized by the Owner's governing body on May 29, 2019, which is the completion date pursuant to California Civil Code Section 3086. The work completed includes drilling, construction, development, pump testing, and capping of one water well.
6. The name of the contractor for such work of improvement is Fain Drilling and Pump Co., Inc.
7. The project is located 3622 Sagunto Street, Santa Ynez.
8. The property on which said work of improvement was completed is in the County of Santa Barbara, State of California

Santa Ynez River Water Conservation  
District, Improvement District No. 1

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dated

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chris Dahlstrom, General Manager

**CERTIFICATION MADE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY (CCP 2015.5)**

I certify (or declare) under penalty or perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chris Dahlstrom, General Manager

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date and Place





exempt if the overall length of the pipeline is less than one mile in length and it is to be installed within a right-of-way for pipeline installation, maintenance, repair, restoration, reconditioning, relocation, replacement, removal, or demolition of an existing pipeline. The District has determined that the project will have no significant impacts on the environment and is exempt from CEQA for the reasons stated above.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Chris Dahlstrom  
**Title:** General Manager

**Telephone:** (805) 688-6015

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Title:** General Manager

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Signed by Public Agency

Date received for filing at OPR:

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SANTA YNEZ RIVER VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN  
EASTERN MANAGEMENT AREA  
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

## HELD AT

SANTA YNEZ CSD – COMMUNITY ROOM  
1070 FARADAY STREET, SANTA YNEZ, CA

AT 6:30 P.M., THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2019

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Introductions and review of SGMA in the Santa Ynez River Valley Groundwater Basin
- IV. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda
- V. Public Comment (Any member of the public may address the Committee relating to any non-Agenda matter within the Committee's jurisdiction. The total time for all public participation shall not exceed fifteen minutes and the time allotted for each individual shall not exceed five minutes. No action will be taken by the Committee at this meeting on any public item not on the Agenda.)
- VI. Consideration and possible Committee action on the following Administrative Items:
  - A. Select Committee Chair and Vice Chair
  - B. Review and approve minutes of last meeting of January 24, 2019
- VII. Receive update on GSP activities in the Eastern Management Area
- VIII. Receive update on the Draft Intra-Basin Administrative Agreement between three GSAs
- IX. Consider approval of Draft Guidelines and Application for a Citizen Advisory Group (CAG) for the Eastern Management Area
- X. Discuss room fee for next regular meeting date and time: Thursday, July 25, 2019, 6:30 PM and determine location of future meetings
- XI. EMA GSA Committee requests and comments
- XII. Adjournment

[This notice and agenda was posted at the following locations at least 72 hours prior to the scheduled meeting: Santa Ynez CSD, 1070 Faraday Street, Santa Ynez, California, Solvang City Hall, 1644 Oak Street, Solvang, CA and SYRWCD District Office at 3669 Sagunto Street, Suite 101, Santa Ynez, California, and SYRWCD, ID No. 1 District Office at 3622 Sagunto Street, Santa Ynez, California. In addition, this meeting notice and agenda was posted on-line at: <http://www.SYRWCD.com> and <http://www.countyofsb.org/pwd/gsa.sbc>. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to review agenda materials or participate in this meeting, please contact the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District at (805) 693-1156. Notification 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable the GSA to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.]



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# Monthly Briefing

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

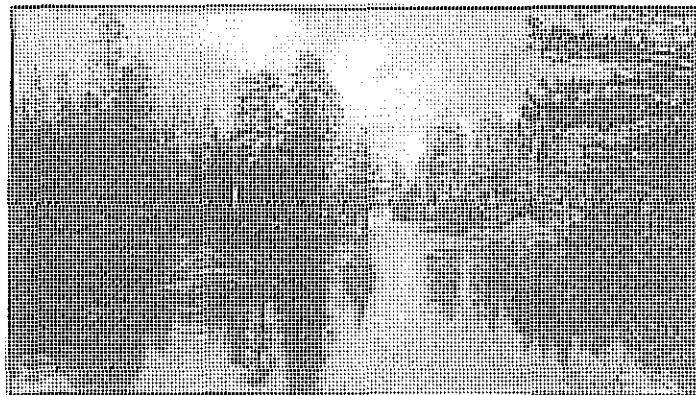
## Alliance Sends WOTUS Comments to Feds Proposed rule intends to clarify what are "Waters of the U.S."

The Family Farm Alliance earlier this month sent formal comments to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) on the Trump Administration's proposed revised rule defining what "waters of the United States" (or WOTUS) are jurisdictional under the federal Clean Water Act (CWA).

This rulemaking seeks to clarify the long-standing confusion over this definition.

Over the years, such confusion has resulted in lengthy legislative and legal battles, including several cases before the U.S. Supreme Court since the CWA was enacted in the 1970s. The proposed rulemaking effectively lays out the full legal and regulatory history of the tortuous twists and turns that the interpretation of the WOTUS definition has taken over the decades and which has brought us to this point in time.

"The result is a rule which establishes a regulatory structure that moves importantly in the direction of bringing clarity to CWA regulation by establishing what categories meet the definition under WOTUS," said Alliance Executive Director Dan Keppen. "Just as importantly, it explains what does not."



Waters of the Western U.S.—Gerber Reservoir, Oregon.

### Improved Certainty for Western Irrigated Agriculture

The proposed rule would provide a significant level of certainty with regard to what falls in the definition and what does not.

As the agencies indicated in the proposed rule: "traditional navigable waters, tributaries to those waters, certain ditches, certain lakes and ponds, impoundments of jurisdictional waters, and wetlands adjacent to jurisdictional waters would be federally regulated."

For those features that are not WOTUS, the proposed rule specifically clarifies that "waters of the United States" do not include features that flow only in response to precipitation. In the West, these would include ephemeral flows, dry washes, arroyos, and similar features. Groundwater, including groundwater drained through subsurface drainage systems are not WOTUS. Neither are certain ditches, prior converted cropland and artificially irrigated areas that would revert to upland if artificial irrigation ceases. In addition, the agencies are proposing to clarify and define the term "prior converted cropland" to improve regulatory predictability and clarity.

"These proposed actions are a positive development," said Mr. Keppen, whose sentiments were shared by many

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## Shining light on the need for modernized water infrastructure

Family Farm Alliance General Counsel Norm Semanko earlier this month addressed the House Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Water Oceans and Wildlife (WOW), where he testified on the state of water infrastructure and innovation in the Western U.S. Mr. Semanko appeared before the subcommittee in his capacity as the leader of the Water Law Practice Group for the Boise, Idaho law office of Parsons Behle & Latimer, where he serves as general counsel for several water user organizations, including the Alliance.

WOW Chairman Jared Huffman (D-CALIFORNIA) has said his goal as the new chair of the subcommittee was to "focus on the factual and scientific baseline for natural resources issues" in a series of hearings he is calling "WOW 101."

In addition to Mr. Semanko, witnesses included Mr. Dave Egerton (Executive Director, Association of California Water Agencies), Mr. Vicente Sarmiento (President, Orange County Water District Board of Directors), and Ms. Ellen Hanak (Water Policy Center Director, Public Policy Institute of California).

Mr. Semanko's written testimony - based on his experience serving Western water organizations for a quarter century - underscored the critical importance of having sufficient infrastructure in place to optimize Western water supplies.

"When we do have good water years, there is insufficient storage available to take advantage of mother nature's generosity in the dry years that inevitably follow," he said.

### The case for more water storage

The need is obvious, and this belief is shared by many in the West. The week before Mr. Semanko's appearance, the Family Farm Alliance - working with the California Farm Bureau Federation and Western Growers Association - transmitted a letter signed by over 100 national and Western agriculture and water organizations, calling upon Members of Congress to develop an infrastructure package that addresses water infrastructure needs for storage and conveyance.

"While water conservation, water efficiency, and water transfers can be important tools for addressing certain water supply challenges, these tools are limited and do not yield the

quantities of water that storage facilities do," said Mr. Semanko. "Adequate water supplies for the future require supply enhancement measures - new and expanded water storage projects - that provide long-term solutions across the West."

The Family Farm Alliance in 2014 released a report that provides detailed answers to 20 frequently asked questions about new water storage projects.

"The need has only increased," since then, says Mr. Semanko. His written testimony includes several examples of potential new water storage, conveyance and recharge projects that have been proposed in California, Idaho and Washington.

"Now it is this generation's responsibility to provide the water infrastructure that future generations will rely upon," said Mr. Semanko. "There is no doubt we can do it. The question is whether we will."

### Advocating for a Western water infrastructure package

In the weeks following Mr. Semanko's appearance on Capitol Hill, the Alliance worked with other Western water interests to make the water infrastructure issue front and center with Western members of Congress.

"In recent weeks, there has been strong focus and bipartisan attention on the Colorado River Drought Contingency Program legislation which passed Congress, and our groups

would like to use that as momentum to create something on the infrastructure front," said Alliance Executive Director Dan Keppen. "This would be a West-wide effort, that would go beyond, but include, the Colorado River Basin states."

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer are scheduled to meet before the end of the month with President Donald Trump to discuss infrastructure. Speaker Pelosi said the plan "has to be at least \$1 trillion."

"I would like it to be closer to \$2 trillion," she said.

Speaker Pelosi is optimistic she can reach an agreement on infrastructure legislation with President Trump. Education, workforce training, broadband and water should be in the package, she says.

"There's plenty of areas of common ground," she said.

*Please see Page 5 for a related story on the Colorado River Drought Contingency Plan legislation that was passed by and signed into law by President Trump earlier this month.*



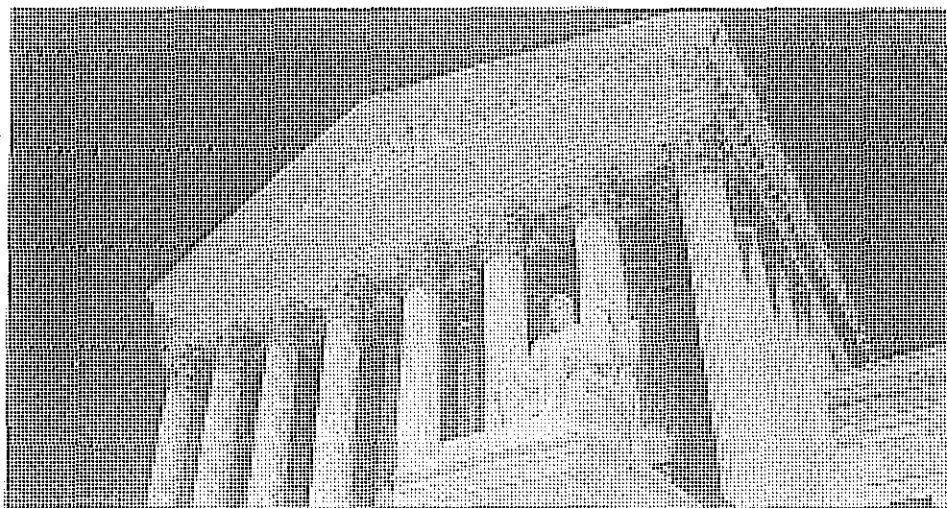
*Family Farm Alliance general counsel Norm Semanko (Photo courtesy of Idaho Business Review)*

## Supreme Court to Address Clean Water Act Groundwater Discharge *Alliance seeks to engage as "friend of the court"*

The Supreme Court has agreed to hear what many believe may be the biggest environmental case of this year: a dispute over which types of pollution discharges trigger the Clean Water Act (CWA). The issue reached the high court in two different cases: *County of Maui, Hawaii v. Hawai'i Wildlife Fund* and *Kinder Morgan Energy Partners LP v. Upstate Forever*. The justices will hear the first case - *Maui* - which involves the discharge of municipal wastewater into injection wells. Environmentalists allege the County of Maui needed a CWA permit for the discharges because the wastewater eventually seeped through groundwater and ended up in the Pacific Ocean

### Groundwater as a "conduit"

Circuit courts agreed with environmental groups in *Kinder Morgan* and *Maui* that the CWA—which governs the discharge of pollutants from discrete "point sources" into "waters of the United States"—applies even when the pollution migrates through groundwater before



The U.S. Supreme Court (Picasa 2.7 Photo)

reaching a waterway that is subject to federal jurisdiction. The Supreme Court took no action on the *Kinder Morgan* dispute, and will likely resolve it after it decides the *Maui* case.

The outcome of the *Maui* case has significant potential impacts on irrigators and other water users. If ground water is considered a "conduit" to connected surface water for purposes of the Clean Water Act, then any water placed on the surface of the ground, that percolates into the ground, will be examined as a potential point source discharge of pollution. That could include canals, ponds, regulating reservoirs, drains, recharge sites, even farms - anything that results in water seeping into the ground.

### Implications for Western Irrigated Agriculture

The Alliance board of directors earlier this month authorized joining an ag-centric *amicus* effort being led by the American Farm Bureau Federation in the Supreme Court *Maui* groundwater case, since this case has implications for irrigators. The Alliance joins seven other national agricultural organizations involved in the Farm Bureau effort, among them the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, National

Corn Growers, The Fertilizer Institute and the Agricultural Retailers Association.

The Alliance and other parties involved in the *amicus curiae* ("friend of the court") effort are not parties to the *Maui* particular litigation but seek to advise the Supreme Court in respect to those matters of law that directly affect the case.

"This *amicus* effort is intended to protect routine agricultural operations from a potentially limitless expansion of the Clean Water Act National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program," said Norm Semanko (IDAHO), General Counsel for the Family Farm Alliance.

Mr. Semanko believes the upshot could be endless third-party lawsuits regarding the application and scope of

ag-related exemptions in the Clean Water Act, whether Western irrigators are contributing pollutants to surface waters via a groundwater connection, and potentially NPDES point source discharge permits being required for some or all of these activities.

"If it can happen to *Maui*, it can happen to the rest of us," said Mr. Semanko.

### EPA Stance

Meanwhile, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) earlier this month issued an Interpretive Statement to clarify the application of CWA permitting requirements to groundwater. The agency concluded that "releases of pollutants to groundwater are categorically excluded from the Act's permitting requirements because Congress explicitly left regulation of discharges to groundwater to the states and to EPA under other statutory authorities."

The Interpretive Statement is intended to guide states and EPA regions in future permitting decisions outside the 9th and 4th Circuits, where court decisions have applied an interpretation of the CWA that differs from EPA's guidance. The agency is soliciting additional public input on what may be needed to provide further clarity and regulatory certainty, with a 45-day comment period once the Interpretive Statement is published in the Federal Register. In a press release, EPA stated that they considered over 50,000 comments to their February 2018 request, and undertook a comprehensive review of prior agency statements as well as the text and legislative history of the CWA.

# House Hearing Reviews Tribal Water Settlement Fund

House Natural Resources lawmakers held a hearing earlier this month on H.R. 1904, from Committee Chairman Raul Grijalva (D-ARIZONA), which would amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to make the Reclamation Water Settlements Fund permanent. The fund established by 2009 legislation can be used starting in 2020 for funding Indian water rights settlements.

“Water is a basic necessity, and tribes shouldn’t have to fight for access to basic necessities,” Chairman Grijalva said. “This bill gives tribes the resources they need to build and improve their water systems, sustain cultural practices, improve health, welfare and agriculture, and help their economies grow.”

The bill has a Senate companion, S. 886, introduced by Senator Tom Udall (D-NM).

“In the West and in Indian Country, these settlements play a critical role in communities’ long-term economic sustainability,” said Senator Udall. “This legislation will provide predictable and reliable funding for current and future Indian water rights settlements, curtailing the use of securing water rights through costly litigation, while protecting the Bureau of Reclamation’s budget.”

Tribal water settlements involve negotiations between tribes, the federal government, states, water districts, and private water users, among others, to determine specific terms of water allocation and use. Over the last 50 years, negotiated settlements have been the preferred course for many tribes because they are often less lengthy and costly than litigation.

Even after settlements are reached, tribes often cannot immediately get water delivered to their homelands without additional steps being taken to secure federal funding for water infrastructure. The Grijalva-Udall bill offers funding necessary to implement finalized settlements.

The Family Farm Alliance earlier this year provided qual-

ified support for this bill because the organization has members in Arizona, Colorado and Idaho, in particular, who have a long history and ongoing interactions in Indian water rights settlement efforts.

“The Alliance supports the intent of this legislation, since water rights settlements will continue to move forward, with or without the fund, and future settlements that are authorized by Congress will hit the Bureau of Reclamation’s budget even harder,” said Alliance

Executive Director Dan Keppen. “However, many of our members also believe there are more direct needs for Reclamation projects, such as addressing and modernizing aging water structures. We will continue to work with Congress to advance the necessary suite of funding, demand management and supply enhancement actions that are required to fairly and effectively address water challenges in the Western U.S.”

Witnesses at the hearing testified on the critical role that funding plays in implementing authorized Indian water rights settlements, providing greater water security for both Indian

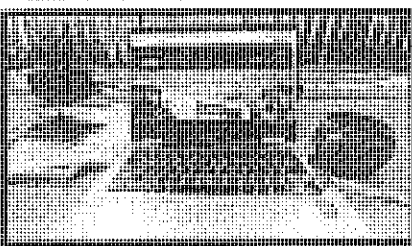
and non-Indian communities. Alan Mikkelsen, Senior Advisor to the Secretary, Water and Western Resource Issues, Department of the Interior emphasized the Trump Administration’s support for settlements. He pointed out that settlements can be costly, and that costs have increased over the years.

“Each of these settlements contain deadlines by which funding must be completed or the settlement fails and long standing, expensive, and disruptive litigation resumes,” he said.

Congress created the Reclamation Water Settlement Fund in 2009 and directed \$120 million into the Fund per year from 2020 through 2029. Most of that funding has already been committed to certain water rights settlements. The Indian Water Rights Settlement Extension Act will extend the Fund so that additional tribal water settlements can be implemented.



*A canal on the Swinomish Reservation in Washington.*  
(Photo: Greg Corbolotti / U.S. Department of the Interior)



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If you haven't done so already, please note that Alliance Executive Director Dan Keppen's email address has changed. His new address is [dan@familyfarmalliance.org](mailto:dan@familyfarmalliance.org).



## President Trump Signs Colorado River Drought Bill into Law

President Trump earlier this month took a historic step to reduce risk on the Colorado River by signing bipartisan legislation authorizing the Department of the Interior to implement Drought Contingency Plans (DCPs) in the Upper and Lower Basins of the Colorado River. The House and Senate both passed identical bills authorizing a Colorado River Basin Drought Contingency Plan earlier in the month, which sent the legislation to the President's desk.

"All levels of government stepped up to address the Basin's worst drought in recorded history," said Bureau of Reclamation Commissioner Brenda Burman. "We've seen collaborative efforts among the seven Basin states, local water agencies, Tribes, Mexico and the Department of the Interior. Congress took prompt action on implementing legislation for the Drought Contingency Plans, and the President acted swiftly to sign that legislation into law. Adopting consensus-based DCPs is the best path toward safeguarding this critical water supply."

The bill is the culmination of years of negotiations between seven states in the Colorado River basin on how much each state can draw from the river if Lake Powell and Lake Mead drop to crisis levels. The bill also prevented actions that would have bypassed federal environmental laws. The votes came in rapid succession on the same day with little debate and each chamber approved the measure by acclamation.

"We have passed a solution that saves a river that...irrigates vast amounts of farmland, and encourages clean, emissions-free hydropower," said House Natural Resources Committee Ranking Member Rob Bishop (R-UTAH).

"By acting so quickly, the Lower Basin States will be able to immediately begin saving hundreds of thousands of acre-feet of water behind Hoover Dam, and this will dramatically reduce the risk of reaching critically low reservoir levels and ensure that Mexico's water contribution to Lake Mead will be made beginning next year," said Senator Martha McSally (R-ARIZONA).

### DCP Elements and Need

Key elements of the plan for the Upper Basin states include: (1) protection of critical elevations at Lake Powell and help to assure continued compliance with the 1922 Colorado River Compact; and (2) authorization of storage for conserved water in the Upper Basin that could help establish the foundation for a Demand Management Program that may be devel-

oped in the future. The Lower Basin DCP is designed to: (1) have Arizona, California and Nevada contribute additional water to Lake Mead storage at predetermined elevations; and (2) create additional flexibility to incentivize additional voluntary conservation of water to be stored in Lake Mead.

"This action supports agriculture and protects the water supplies for 40 million people," said Commissioner Burman.

The need for the DCP is, in part, to address requirements of previous agreements. Under the existing usage guidelines that the basin states agreed to in 2007, if the level at Lake Mead dips below 1,075 feet it would trigger automatic water cuts across the Southwest, specifically to Arizona and Nevada. The drought plan also create incentives for storing water when

the Lower Basin states believe that they could be removed from Lake Mead if water levels are dropping too low.

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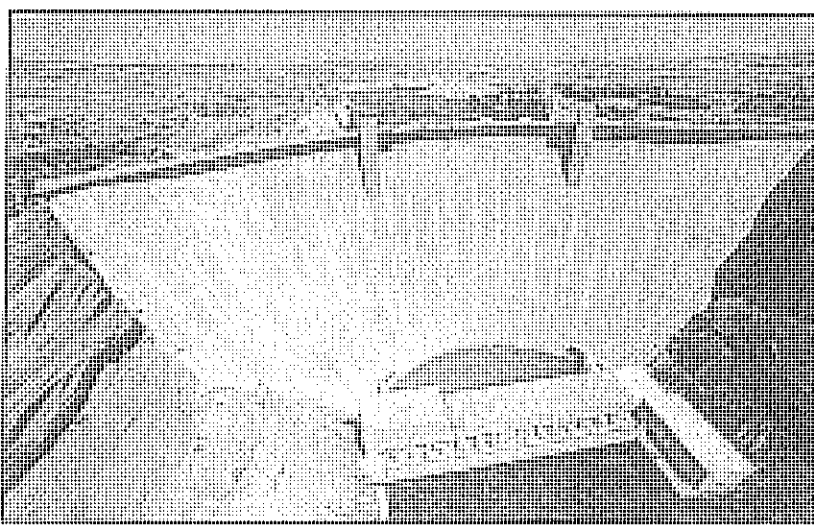
On the same day President Trump signed the Drought Contingency Plan into law, Imperial Irrigation District (IID) filed a petition in Los Angeles Superior Court alleging violations of the California Environmental Quality Act by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, and names the Coachella Valley, Palo Verde and Needles water districts as

well. IID officials say the Salton Sea should have been included in the plan. It asks the court to suspend the Lower Basin DCP until a thorough environmental analysis has been completed.

"The logic in going forward without (us) was that the (drought plan) couldn't wait for the Salton Sea," Henry Martinez, IID general manager, said in a statement. "This legal challenge is going to put that logic to the test and the focus will now be where it should have been all along — at the Salton Sea."

### Water Supply Outlook

The Colorado Basin River Forecast released earlier this month reported Lake Powell's elevation was 3569 feet with live storage of 9.02 million acre-feet (MAF), or 37% full. On the same date, Lake Mead in the Lower Basin was at an elevation of 1089 feet, holding 10.8 MAF, or 41% full. Under the 2007 Interim Guidelines, with current inflow projections, Reclamation anticipates normal releases from Lake Powell somewhere above 7.5 MAF and as much as 9 MAF. This would be a significant improvement over January 1 projections, and would likely forestall cuts in deliveries in the Lower Basin.



Glen Canyon Dam on the Colorado River.  
(Photo by Francisco Kjolseth/The Salt Lake Tribune)

## Senate Approps Subcommittee Considers Budget Proposals for Water

The Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing earlier this month to review the Trump Administration's Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 budget requests for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) and the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation). The Trump Administration's FY 2020 budget request to Congress totals \$4.75 trillion. The budget would renew the administration's call for \$200 billion in infrastructure spending that, combined with private sector and local financing, would amount to \$1 trillion for a wide range of projects.

The budget for the Corps provides \$4.827 billion in funding for Civil Works, a \$2.17 billion decrease from the FY 2019 enacted funding level. Of that amount, \$1.011 billion is provided for flood and storm damage reduction and \$187 million for aquatic ecosystem restoration.

### Bureau of Reclamation FY 2020 Budget Highlights

The Department of Interior budget for FY 2020 provides \$1.1 billion in funding for Reclamation, a \$461 million decrease from the FY 2019 enacted funding level. Highlights of the proposed budget for Reclamation include:

- \$1.1 billion for Reclamation's water resource programs to ensure that millions of customers continue to receive essential water and power;
- \$19.9 million for WaterSMART, including water conservation grants and Title XVI water recycling reuse research grants, which support local innovation to stretch water supplies;
- \$27.8 million for Rural Water projects, including \$1.3 million to incentivize research through Reclamation's Water and Power Technology Prize Competition;
- Funding reductions for the Klamath River Basin, the Central Valley Project Restoration Fund, California Bay-Delta Restoration, the Central Valley Project; the Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Project; the San Joaquin Restoration Program; the Endangered Species Recovery Implementation Program; and the WaterSMART Program, among others;
- Increased funding for the Dam Safety Program and the San Joaquin Restoration Fund, among others;
- Elimination of funding for Reclamation's Loan Program Account, among others.

### Concerns with WIIN funding

Witnesses at the hearing included R.D. James (Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works) Brenda Burman (Commissioner of Reclamation) and Tim Petty (Assistant Interior Department Secretary for Water and Science).

During the hearing, Committee Ranking Member Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) asked targeted questions to Commissioner Burman, regarding the *Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016* (WIIN) funding. She asked Commissioner Burman if she agreed that projects receiving WIIN Act funds could use more funding than what has been allocated to

them in FY 2017 and FY 2018. Commissioner Burman responded that WIIN Act funding has been used to advance many projects, but that for storage, Reclamation has made recommendations to Congress for \$75 million for use on storage projects largely in California, Washington, and Idaho. She stated that the \$75 million included in the recommendation to Congress is critical for moving storage projects forward with feasibility studies and environment compliance.

When asked by Senator Feinstein what Congress can do to get this funding "moving", Commissioner Burman explained that while Congress has appropriated WIIN Act funds, the Act's process requires Reclamation to send Congress a recommendation for funding including a list of individual projects, which then Congress can include in legislation to release funding for such recommended projects. Reclamation sent their FY 2018 recommendation to Congress in February 2019.

"If Congress was willing to in a future bill, either in appropriations or not, to list those projects that [were included] in the recommendations we sent up, then we would be able to use that funding to complete feasibility studies and move to construction," the Commissioner responded.

### Let the Appropriations Games Begin

The Administration's FY 2020 budget proposal is certain to face opposition from lawmakers in both parties, particularly with Democrats now in control of the House. Divided House Democrats earlier this month backed a plan that could help avert billions of dollars in proposed cuts to EPA and other domestic agencies in FY 2020. The House adopted, 219-201, a procedural "deeming" measure that would set an overall top line discretionary spending level to \$1.295 trillion for the upcoming year. This equates to a 10% increase over across-the-board cuts, known as "sequester," due to kick in when the new fiscal year begins on October 1. The move will allow appropriators to begin writing their 12 annual spending bills now that Congress has returned from a two-week congressional recess that began April 15.

House Democrats deemed the spending cap, rather than voting on a more robust bill that would have raised spending restraints for the next two years, after their caucus had disagreements over the increased level of domestic spending. Progressives and liberals in the Democratic caucus wanted more than the proposed 5.7% increase over current levels for domestic programs and less for defense. A handful of conservative Democrats wanted to see more action toward balancing the budget.

"Congress will still need to pass legislation in order to raise the sequester caps that the Trump Administration has used to justify cutting EPA by about a third and making the reductions at the Energy and Interior departments in their proposed FY 2020 budgets," said Mark Limbaugh, the Family Farm Alliance's representative in Washington, D.C. "If lawmakers do not act, current budget law would force the automatic sequester cuts."

Committees in both chambers will continue to hold hearings to examine the Administration's proposals for each of the federal departments and agencies as they begin to work on FY 2020 appropriations bills.

## USDA Moves Forward on Farm Bill Implementation

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue earlier this month announced the implementation status of the 2018 Farm Bill, an issue that the Family Farm Alliance board of directors identified as a top 2019 priority for the Alliance to engage in. Here are some key developments related to the conservation title, which the Alliance was heavily engaged in over the past two years:

- **Agricultural Conservation Easement Program:** USDA has published an announcement regarding the availability of \$450 million for wetland and agricultural land easements that will help private landowners, tribes, land trusts and other groups wanting to restore and protect critical wetlands and protect agricultural lands and grasslands.
- **Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP):** NRCS has determined that RCPP projects with agreements entered into prior to September 30, 2018, may continue to enter into new RCPP-CSP contracts with eligible producers, which will be administered under the new CSP authority.
- **Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP):** This program operates through a continuous signup process. Applications may be submitted throughout the year.

NRCS is requesting public comments on how to improve conservation practice standards that support programs such as EQIP, which help producers cover part of the costs for implementing these practices.

“We are currently putting together some brief recommendations addressing areas of concern our members may have regarding implementation of conservation title programs,” said Alliance Executive Director Dan Keppen. “If any of our members in the Western U.S. have any ideas you’d like to have us advance, please let me know as soon as possible”.

President Trump signed this Farm Bill into law on December 20th, 2018 and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) promptly began implementation of key programs. USDA held several listening sessions with stakeholders and the public, specific to each agency’s respective mission areas.

“At USDA we are implementing the 2018 Farm Bill as quickly as possible. We know the programs that are renewed and updated in this farm bill are critical to farmers, ranchers, and producers as they plan for the future,” said Secretary Sonny Perdue. “Our mission areas have all held several public listening sessions, both formally and informally, to receive stakeholder input. Our goal is to have programs that function best for the people that we serve.”

## “Waters of the U.S.” (Continued from Page 1)

others in American agriculture.  
Concerns with the Proposed Rule

Some states and conservation organizations have grave concerns with the proposed rule.

The California State Water Quality Control Board earlier this month adopted a new regulation that established strict rules for virtually any human activity that could disrupt the natural flow of water, including farming, home building and highway construction. This was seen as a move to preempt the perceived proposed “weakening” of the Clean Water Act by the Trump Administration.

The Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership (TRCP) – consisting of 59 non-profit organizations with a 28-member council - opposes the Trump agencies’ proposed Waters of the United States redefinition.

“On behalf of sportsmen and women across the country, our partner organizations and their affiliates, the TRCP implores the agencies to withdraw the proposed rule and go back to the drawing board,” wrote Melinda Kassen, Senior Counsel for TRCP. “[H]unters and anglers remain willing to work with the administration on drafting a new rule that meets the requirements above, without triggering the dramatic losses of vital aquatic and hydrological resources that this grossly inadequate and inappropriate proposal would.”

The State of Oregon believes implementation of the rule will result in significant changes in how the nation protects water quality with consequences ranging from the loss of important protections to uneven protections across states.

“As a consequence, the proposed rule fails to achieve the objective of protecting the chemical, physical and biological integrity of Oregon’s and our nation’s waters,” wrote Oregon

Governor Kate Brown.  
The argument for cooperative federalism

Some critics of the proposed rule believe it may impose unrealistic expectations on states that may not have the capacity to meet. Robert Lynch, an attorney who represents the Irrigation & Electrical Districts’ Association of Arizona (IEDA), disagrees.

“The attacks on this process are essentially attacks on the competence of the states,” says Mr. Lynch. “The law was passed to create a cooperative relationship between the federal government and the states. The delegation authority is the key to that relationship and it has, over the years, positioned the states to adequately address water quality issues under the federal Clean Water Act and the counterpart legislation in each of these states.”

Mr. Lynch believes attacking the competency of the states or the willingness of the states to shoulder additional responsibility where necessary is contrary to the track record the CWA has had in implementation. He thinks these arguments should be ignored by the federal agencies.

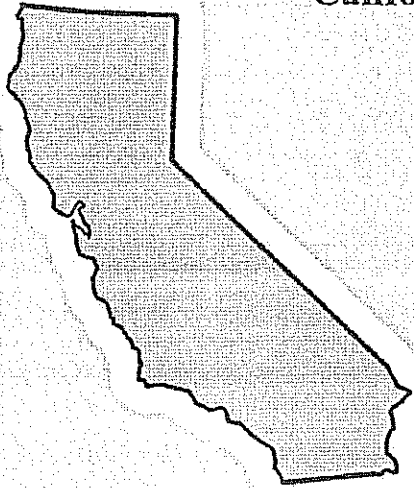
“In short, we know that Arizona can step up to the plate if necessary to add to its point source discharge program as evidence would support,” Mr. Lynch wrote in a letter to the federal agencies. “We see no reason to believe that the other states would ignore that responsibility either. We urge you to stay the course and to keep this exercise in cooperative federalism on track.”

All public comments on the proposed WOTUS rule will be posted on the regulations.gov website, identified by Docket



# Western Water Hot Spots

## California



### Bay-Delta Flow Objectives

The U.S. Department of Justice and the Department of the Interior (collectively, “Federal Government”) on March 28 filed lawsuits in both federal and state court challenging the State Water Resources Control Board’s (State Water Board) recent amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary (Amended Plan). According to the Sacramento law firm Somach Simmons & Dunn, the Amended Plan adopted by the State Water Board last December has touched off a series of lawsuits due to its controversial unimpaired flow requirements for the Lower San Joaquin River and its tributaries. The Amended Plan calls for 30 to 50 percent of the unimpaired flow of the Lower San Joaquin River for declining fish populations. The State Water Board proposes to assign responsibility for meeting these unimpaired flow objectives to water right holders through water rights proceedings and has suggested that water users could develop and submit agreements between water users to address how the new unimpaired flow objectives will be implemented. The Federal Government’s lawsuits allege that the State Water Board violated the California Environmental Quality Act, and set the stage for another battle between the Federal Government and the State of California over how water resources should be managed in the Bay-Delta.

### Central Valley Project Operations

The Bureau of Reclamation earlier this month announced water allocations for California’s Central Valley Project (CVP). South-of-Delta agricultural water service contractors were surprised to learn their allocation was only increased to 65%. This minor increase was “astonishing” to CVP contractors, since precipitation has been well above average in 2019, and snowpack throughout the state was still more than 150% of average for this time of year.

“This announcement begs the question, what has to happen before south-of-Delta farmers served by the Central Valley Project can get a full supply?”, Thomas Birmingham, Westlands Water District’s general manager, observed.

Although Reclamation was able to meet full allocations for most CVP water users, the agency has had ongoing challenges in providing higher allocations for South-of-Delta water service contractors in recent decades. Even in above average water years, threatened and endangered species’ requirements, storage limitations and lost conveyance capacity from land subsidence pose challenges on Reclamation’s ability to export water South-of-Delta.

“The increased precipitation has allowed us to increase the amount of water we allocate to our South-of-Delta contractors. Our goal is to maximize the supply available to our contractors in the short term, while continuing to improve the reliability of CVP water supplies in the long run,” said Mid-Pacific Regional Director Ernest Conant. “This is the type of year when additional storage and conveyance capacity would benefit the CVP.”

Reclamation is currently engaged in several processes to improve its ability to meet the water supply needs of the CVP in an environmentally and economically sound manner. These include several efforts directed by President Trump’s October 2018 Memorandum on Water in the West, such as the effort to develop new biological opinions for the long-term coordinated operations of the CVP and State Water Project. Meanwhile, the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) says the Trump Administration’s water plans are not scientifically defensible and is developing its own plans on how Bay-Delta water will be managed.

### Water Infrastructure Developments

Rep. John Garamendi (D-CALIFORNIA) introduced the *Sites Reservoir Protection Act* in March to provide federal support for the building of Sites Reservoir and other water infrastructures in the Central Valley. The act, also known as House Resolution 1453, would direct Reclamation to complete a feasibility study for the project, which aims to provide 1.8 million acre-feet of off-stream water storage capacity for California and help local communities prepare for droughts.

U.S. Rep. Kevin McCarthy’s House Resolution 1600 - the *RAILWAY Act* - proposes to reclaim \$3.5 billion that had been earmarked for California high-speed rail. It would shift that money toward projects outlined in the 2016 *Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act* (WIIN Act). That latter bill advanced but did not fully fund the Shasta Dam and Reservoir Enlargement Project, the Sites Reservoir Storage Project, the Upper San Joaquin River Basin Storage Project, the Los Vaqueros Reservoir Phase 2 Expansion Project and repairs to the Friant-Kern Canal.

In response to Governor Gavin Newsom’s rejection of the controversial Delta twin tunnels project, the California DWR and Reclamation have requested and were granted a 60-day stay of hearings with the State Water Board.

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## Klamath River Basin

The Klamath Water Users Association (KWUA) announced earlier this month the selection of Paul Simmons as its new Executive Director. Simmons has worked for KWUA as its attorney for over two decades. KWUA is a non-profit private corporation that has represented Klamath Reclamation Project farmers and ranchers in its current form since 1953. The Klamath Project is home to over 1200 family farms and ranches and encompasses over 170,000 acres.

Irrigation water users in the Klamath Project also recently announced they will challenge the new federal rules restricting irrigation water supply for the Project. The plan, adopted by federal agencies on April 2, will be in effect for five years, and includes new rules and limitations based on the Endangered Species Act. The new limitations are based on protection for endangered suckers in Upper Klamath Lake and coho salmon in the Klamath River. Klamath Irrigation District has filed its lawsuit in federal district court in Oregon, and another will be filed jointly by KWUA, three districts and individual farmers.

## Missouri River Basin Flooding

The Senate Environment and Public Works Committee held a field hearing earlier this month in Glenwood, Iowa on the devastating March 2019 flooding in the lower Missouri River basin. Representatives from the Corps of Engineers were present at the hearing, and explained that the Missouri River flood event that began on March 13 was triggered by a bombogenesis, or 'bomb cyclone' rain event. This generated a significant amount of precipitation and brought warmer temperatures to an area that spanned central and western Nebraska, southeastern South Dakota, western Iowa, and a portion of northern Missouri and Kansas. The combination of rainfall and warmer temperatures quickly melted the plains snowpack, and thawed its frozen soils, resulting in rapid runoff and ice jams. This led to record discharges on a number of tributaries of the Missouri River, particularly the lower Platte, Elkhorn, and Niobrara Rivers, and in portions of the main stem of the Missouri River downstream of these tributaries.

Most of the rain fell downstream of the large dams on the mainstem Missouri River, which can capture runoff from approximately half of the Missouri River drainage basin. Many levees in portions of Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri, and Kansas, overtopped. At least 32 levee systems were overtopped or

completely under water, and many other levees were damaged, some of them severely.

In North Dakota, the Red River of the North hit flood stage downstream of Fargo. In Colorado, near-record amounts of snow pack were recorded in mountain areas.

Joel Euler, an attorney from Doniphan County, Kansas testified at the hearing, emphasizing the need for flood control and questioning whether habitat work for species recovery acts to impede the flow of water during a flood event. He also testified regarding significant changes to the Corps long-term risk management adopted in collaboration with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in 2004 to protect endangered and threatened species, under the Missouri River Recovery Program (MRRP).

"While Mother Nature plays a role in providing water for flooding, the fact is that the manner in which that water is managed by the Corps plays a major role in whether that water ultimately results in the type of flooding that has been devastating the Midwest since the adoption and implement of the MRRP in 2004," said Mr. Euler.

Missouri Farm Bureau President Blake Hurst, who farms near the Missouri River, also testified at the hearing, and urged that the lessons from this year's flooding should lead to changes about how the river is managed.

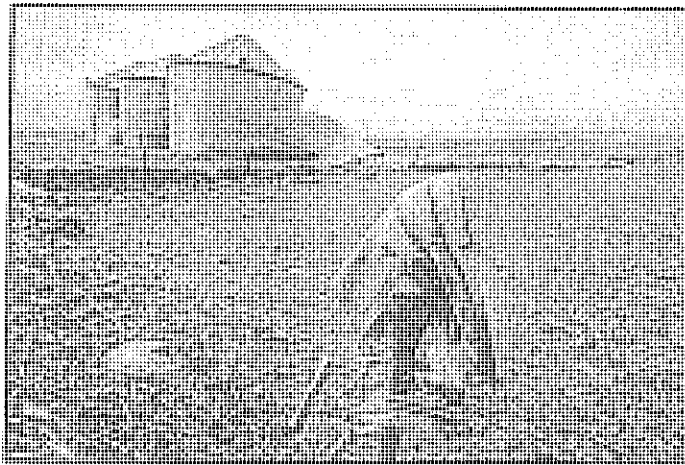
"Going forward, government agencies and stakeholders should engage in renewed discussion on how to enhance flood control throughout the system," said Mr. Hurst, who was the keynote speaker at the 2016 Family Farm Alliance annual conference in Las Vegas.

"Serious consideration must be given to increased upstream flood control storage, whether that be in the mainstem dams or on tributary projects. Any proposed change in flood control storage must also keep an eye toward times of drought, which the Missouri River system is just as prone to."

Meanwhile, over 130 national farm organizations wrote congressional leaders later in the month calling on Congress to immediately pass a disaster aid package addressing the recent floods and other disasters, including hurricanes Florence and Michael, unprecedented wildfires, droughts, and other natural disasters.

"For many farmers, these events have meant near complete losses," the letter stated. "Further, while many producers benefited from the Market Facilitation Program assistance provided by the administration last fall, those producers who lost their crops due to natural disaster received no assistance."

The Senate left for two weeks this month without an agreement on a multi-billion dollar disaster aid package.



*Destroyed grain silos—a result of flooding—spill corn onto a muddy field on a farm near Bellevue (NEBRASKA). (Photo courtesy of Nati Harnik / Rapid City Journal)*

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## Divided Senate Confirms Bernhardt as Secretary of the Interior

The Senate earlier this month confirmed David Longly Bernhardt as Interior Department Secretary by 56-41 vote. One independent, Sen. Angus King of Maine, joined three Democrats and all voting Republicans in support of Mr. Bernhardt, who has served for upward of a decade in a variety of increasingly influential Interior jobs.

“He has what it takes to lead this Department – coming from the West, he understands our public lands, has more experience at the Department than all but one of his predecessors, and has extensive knowledge of the issues that will come before him,” said Senate Energy and Natural Resources (ENR) Chair, Lisa Murkowski (R-AK). “David Bernhardt has proven to be a strong partner not only for Alaska, but states all across the country. I’m pleased to continue working with him and his team on a wide range of energy, lands, and water-related issues.”

Democrats voting for him were Sen. Martin Heinrich (NEW MEXICO), Sen. Krysten Sinema (ARIZONA) and Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee ranking member Joe Manchin of West Virginia.

“Based on my extensive discussions with him and my review of his record, I believe Mr. Bernhardt is clearly qualified to serve as Secretary,” said Senator Manchin. “He knows the Interior Department inside and out, and he is well versed on all of the issues that come before it. The opposition to Mr. Bernhardt’s nomination comes not from any lack of knowledge or experience, but from questions about appearances of conflicts of interest arising from his law practice

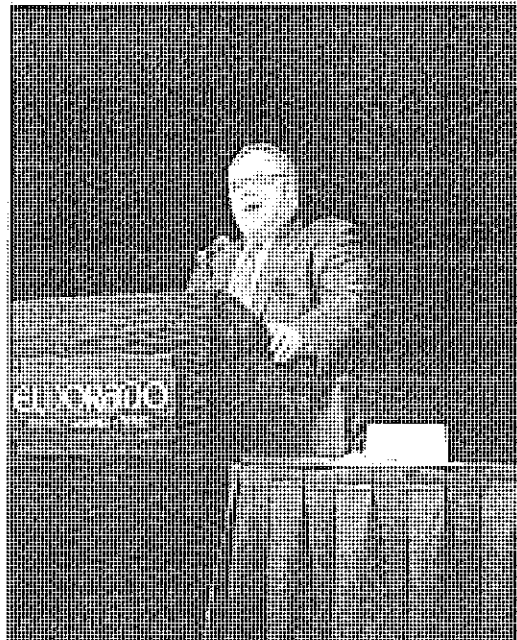
prior to being confirmed as Deputy Secretary.”

Currently the Acting Interior Secretary, as well as being the Department’s Senate-confirmed Deputy since August 2017, the 49-year-old Bernhardt will replace the departed Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke. While Mr. Bernhardt enjoys more experience at the Interior Department than nearly all of his 52 predecessors as Secretary of the Interior, his confirmation also came over the objections of most Democrats and myriad environmental organizations.

The inspector general of the Interior Department has opened an investigation into Secretary David Bernhardt’s past work on behalf of Westlands Water District (CALIFORNIA) and other organizations. The action follows requests from several Congressional Democrats, including Senate Minority Leader Sen. Chuck Schumer (New York), Sen. Elizabeth Warren (Massachusetts) and Sen. Richard Blumenthal (Connecticut). The senators asked Interior’s inspector general to investigate, among other things, Bernhardt’s involvement in proposals that would revise rules protecting the endangered delta smelt.

The Family Farm Alliance in March sent a formal letter of support for Mr. Bernhardt’s confirmation to the Senate ENR Committee.

“We believe Mr. Bernhardt is a strong leader. He’s a person with vision, common sense and high ethical standards,” said Alliance Executive Director Dan Keppen. “We have worked with Mr. Bernhardt in the past on several Western water issues and, as a Westerner himself, believe he understands the unique challenges faced by rural ag producers living in states where the federal government is the majority landowner and plays a significant role in the management of land and water that can impact our members.”



*Then-Deputy Interior Secretary David Bernhardt, delivering the keynote speech at the 2018 Family Farm Alliance Annual Conference in Reno, NV.*

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### Washington State

Washington Gov. Jay Inslee has declared a drought emergency for the upper Yakima Basin and the Okanogan and Methow valleys based on forecasts of low summer streamflows. *Capital Press* reports that the Okanogan River is forecast at 58% of normal streamflow for April through September, the Methow River at 72% of normal and the upper Yakima at 74%, according to state and federal projections.

These areas are all prime agricultural regions in Washington, where the state threshold for drought is 75%.

“We must take steps to ensure that Washingtonians have the water they need to sustain their farms and livestock,” Governor Inslee said.

Examples of those programs include growers activating emergency drought wells, farmers leasing water from senior water right holders willing to part with some of their supply for a price, and diverting water to dry streams for fish, said Urban Eberhart with the Kittitas Reclamation District.

“If this declaration wasn’t in place, we would not be able to set up quickly enough,” said Mr. Eberhart, who sits on the Family Farm Alliance Advisory Committee.

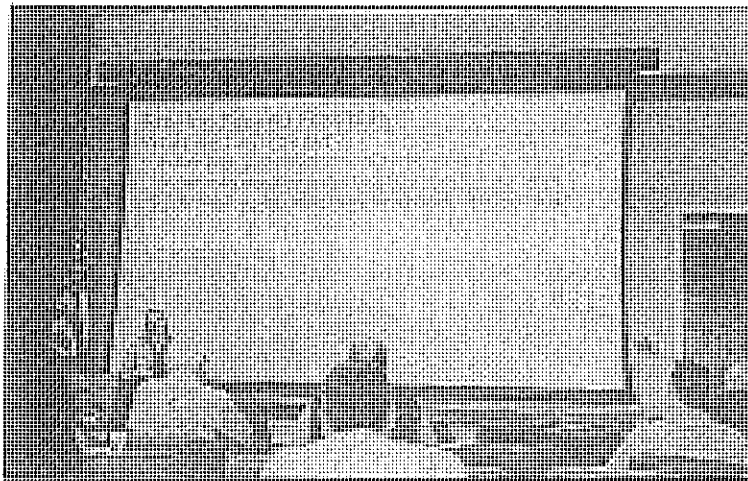


## Bureau of Reclamation Hosts Stakeholder Workshops

Family Farm Alliance representatives and members were in the audience earlier this month in Denver to participate in interactive stakeholder workshops held at the Bureau of Reclamation's Federal Center. There were roughly 70 attendees who participated in the two-day workshop, including Alliance Director Clinton Pline (IDAHO), Executive Director Dan Keppen (OREGON), several Alliance Advisory Committee members, and many other Alliance irrigation district managers, engineers and attorneys. There were also representatives from the conservation community (The Nature Conservancy, National Audubon, and Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership) and Southern California urban water representatives interested in Title XVI-type projects.

The workshops were led and organized by Deputy Commissioners Shelby Hagenauer and David Palumbo. Meeting topics included updates from Reclamation's leadership with discussions on:

- WaterSMART
- Economic Benefits and Cost Estimates in Reclamation Planning Studies
- Identifying, Designing, and Executing Repairs, Replacements, and Additions at Transferred Works Facilities
- Improving the Environmental Review Process
- Cultural Resources Compliance on Transferred Works



*Kristi Evans, Reclamation's Design, Engineering and Construction Program Manager, explains how Reclamation conducts feasibility studies at a stakeholder workshop held in Denver earlier this month.*

To see the PowerPoint presentations delivered in Denver for each one of these topics, go to <https://www.usbr.gov/stakeholders/>. All materials from the 2019 Bureau of Reclamation Stakeholders Workshop are available on this stakeholder website.

Transferred works are defined as those Reclamation project facilities where the Operations and Maintenance (O&M) of that facility is carried out by a non-Federal entity under the

provisions of a formal O&M transfer contract. At times, uncoordinated changes between Reclamation and the non-Federal entity have resulted in adverse consequences. Reclamation has developed a draft Directive and Standard (D&S) intended to improve collaboration on these matters in the future. In response to stakeholder feedback and discussion at the Denver Workshop, the Reclamation Manual D&S - "Substantial Changes on Transferred Works, Bureau of Reclamation Facilities"

(CMP 10-05) - has been reposted on the Reclamation Manual website for an additional 3-week external com-

ment review period. You can access the posting using the following link: <https://www.usbr.gov/recman/drafts/cmp10-05webdraft.pdf>

Comments on this draft release are due no later than May 10, 2019 and should be submitted to Katharine Dahm at [kdahm@usbr.gov](mailto:kdahm@usbr.gov).

### A Big Thank You to Our New and Supporting Members!

**JANUARY-MARCH 2019**

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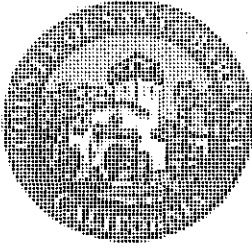
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**PRESS RELEASE**  
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**Santa Ynez Valley Union High School Wins the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Santa Barbara County  
WaterWise High School Video Contest**

*Countywide Contest Reveals "A Day in the Life of a Water Saver"*

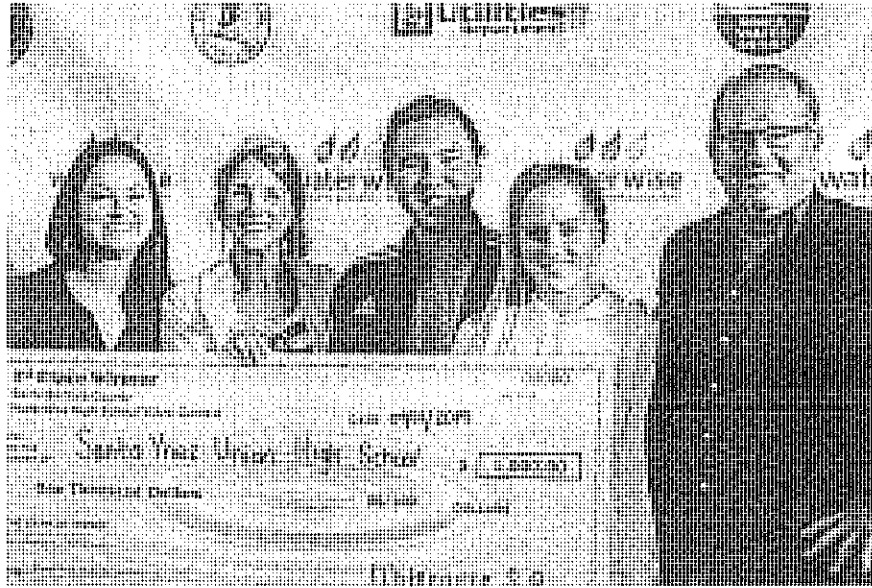
(Santa Barbara, Calif.) – The Santa Barbara County Water Agency is pleased to announce the winners of the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual WaterWise High School Video Contest. In total, 51 students from seven schools throughout the county submitted 16 videos. Students were challenged to create 30-second videos centered on the theme, "A Day in the Life of a Water Saver." While the Water Agency and water providers arrange for monetary prizes to the winning schools, private sector sponsors provide awards for the students.

- First Place: "Wild Water Saver" by Santa Ynez Union Valley High School received \$1,000. Students won \$500 prize provided by Carollo Engineers.
- Second Place: "Steve's a Water Saver" by Orcutt Academy High School received \$500. Student won \$250 prize provided by Dudek.
- Third Place: "A Day in the Life of a Water Saver" by Dos Pueblos High School received \$300. Students won \$150 prize provided by Ewing Irrigation.
- Honorable Mentions for North County and South County submissions:
  - North County: "Drippy the Water Saver" by Santa Ynez Valley Union High School received \$100. Students won \$50 carwash vouchers provided by Splash n' Dash Recycled Water Carwash.
  - South County: "Drip" by Santa Barbara High School received \$100. Students won 2020 film festival tickets provided by the Santa Barbara International Film Festival.
- People's Choice Award: "Steve's a Water Saver" by Orcutt Academy High School with a record high of 311 likes on the WaterWiseSB YouTube channel. The school received \$500 and the student won a \$500 gift card provided by All Around Landscape Supply.

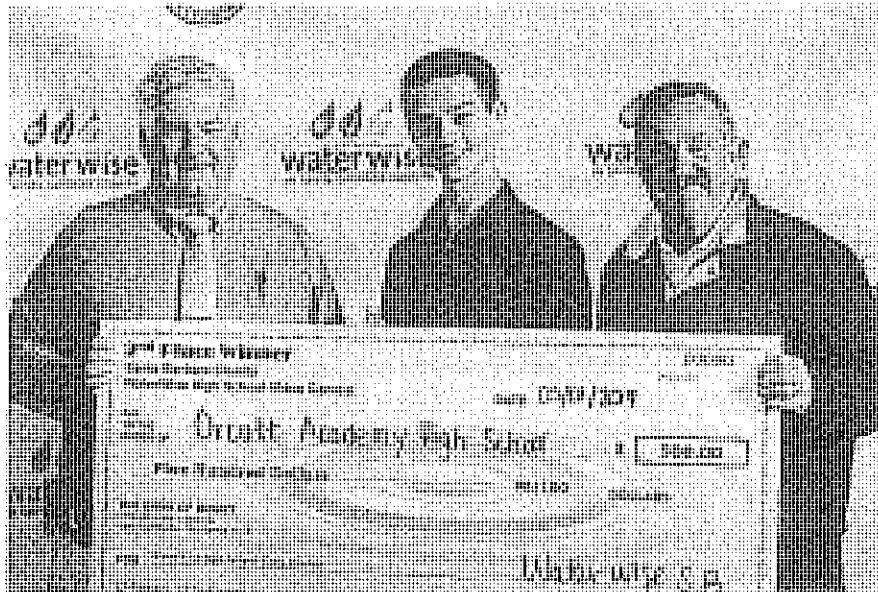
The winners were announced publically at the Awards Ceremony on May 1, 2019 at the Parks Plaza Theater in Buellton where all videos were screened and students were awarded. All students and teacher advisors were acknowledged for their hard work and creativity that was put into creating their videos.



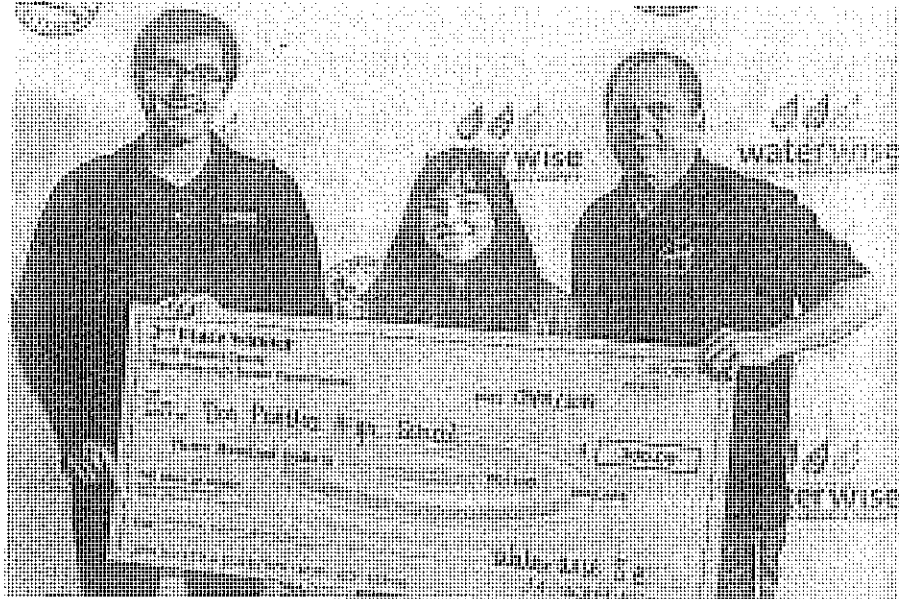
Below are photos of the student winners with their teacher advisors and award presenters at the Awards Ceremony:



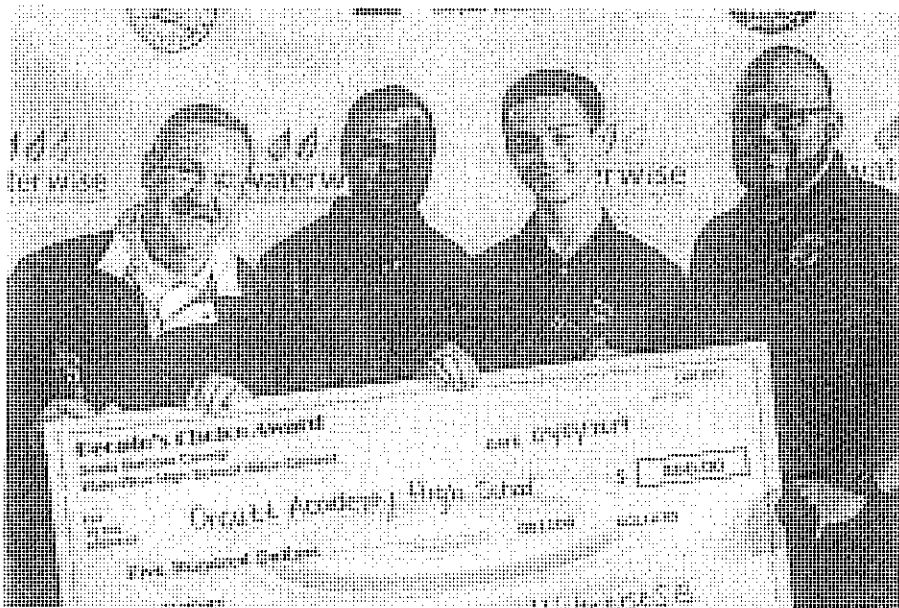
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Re: *Brown Act Complaint against Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1*

Dear Mr. Kvistad,

I am in receipt of your letter dated April 30, 2019. Based on my review of all the evidence submitted, including your letter, this Office has concluded that there is insufficient evidence to prove that a violation of the Brown Act has occurred in this instance. This Office will not take any further action on this matter.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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RE: Brown Act Complaint against Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District,  
Improvement District No.1

Dear Mr. Nelson:

The purpose of this correspondence is to address a complaint that was filed with your office concerning the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1, ("District"). As we understand, the complaint alleges that the District violated the Brown Act during a regularly scheduled meeting on October 2, 2019. As we understand, the complaint alleges there was no need for the District to adjourn to closed session to consider initiating a lawsuit against the Santa Barbara County Clerk-Recorder and Registrar of Voters ("Registrar of Voters") for declaratory relief regarding the Registrar of Voters' decision to place non-qualified candidates on the ballot for the office of the District's Board of Trustees during the November 2019 election.

The Brown Act provides express and long-standing exceptions to the open public meeting requirements. As you indicated, Government Code section 54956.9(a) allows a legislative body of a local agency such as the District, based on advice of its legal counsel, to hold a closed session to confer with or receive advice from its legal counsel regarding pending litigation when discussion in open session concerning those matters would prejudice the position of the local agency in the litigation. Section 54956.9(d)(4) further specifies that such closed session discussions regarding "pending litigation" include discussions where the local agency is deciding whether to initiate litigation. Case law confirms that the Brown Act provides and preserves the attorney-client privilege for local agencies in this context. (*Sutter Sensible Planning, Inc. v. Board of Supervisors* (1981) 122 Cal.App.3d 813, 824; *Sacramento Newspaper Guild v. Sacramento County Board of Supervisors* (1968) 263 Cal.App.2d 41, 53; *Roberts v. City of Palmdale* (1993) 5 Cal. 4th 363, 374 ["Government should have no advantage in legal strife; neither should it be a second-class citizen. . . . Public agencies face the same hard realities as other civil litigants. An attorney who cannot confer with his client outside his opponent's presence may be under insurmountable handicaps." (citations omitted)]).

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The underlying purpose of the Brown Act is to provide public access and transparency to local agency deliberations and decision making, a purpose that the District vigorously supports and implements. However, the Act does not abrogate the purpose or right of a local agency to confer with its lawyers confidentially to obtain privileged and adequate legal advice, just like any other citizen who seeks legal counsel. (*Roberts v. City of Palmdale*, 5 Cal. 4th 363, 380-381; 69 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 232 [stating the local agency can discuss in closed session "the legal options open to the [local agency] and the legal strategies to be employed by [it] in the litigation"].)

The complaining party is incorrect in their assertion that there could be no prejudice to the District if it discussed in open session whether to initiate a lawsuit against the County Registrar of Voters. In accordance with Government Code section 54956.9(a), the closed session at issue was held based on the advice of our firm and the subject matter of the attorney-client discussion of whether to initiate a lawsuit also included whether to hire special counsel due to the unique nature of election law and other ongoing matters between the District and the County.

The District's closed session discussion involved many factors and related legal advice regarding the merits, timing, and other strategy of whether to initiate litigation, the qualifications of outside special counsel, and whether legal action against the Registrar of Voters could have repercussions for other legal interests that are held by the District and influenced by other branches of the County. A closed session was essential, as a discussion in open session would have revealed the District's potential legal strategy and/or disclosed facts unknown to the opposing party if held in open session. Indeed the District's Board of Trustees was seeking legal advice, which it intended to remain confidential and privileged, on whether and how to protect the District's rights and interests by initiating the litigation. Conducting these discussions in open session would unquestionably prejudice the District's position in the potential litigation and would eviscerate its ability under Government Code section 54956(a) to confer with and receive advice from its legal counsel. When looking into this matter, we noted that public agencies throughout California routinely hold closed sessions to consider whether to initiate litigation and whether to hire special counsel.

The District is, and has always been, committed to full compliance with all laws governing its activities, including the Brown Act. We trust that the above information sufficiently addresses the issue raised by the complaining party and satisfies your investigation.

If you have any questions or need any further information, please let us know. The District is pleased to cooperate, respond to any additional questions, and provide further information to the District Attorney's office in regards to this matter.

Sincerely,



Gary M. Kvistad

cc; Chris Dahlstrom, General Manager  
Paeter Garcia, Legal Affairs and Policy Manager

CORRESPONDENCE LIST  
MAY 2019

1. Public Records act request received April 8, 2019 from Transparent California
2. Letter from District dated April 12, 2019 to Clerk Recorder County of Santa Barbara re: Notice of Vacancy on Board of Trustees, SYRWCD, ID No.1
3. Letter from District dated April 12, 2019 to Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District re: Notice of Vacancy on Board of Trustees - SYRWCD, ID No.1
4. Memorandum received April 16, 2019 from State of California - Natural Resources Agency re: Eligibility for the 2018 California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection and Outdoor Access for All Bond Act Proposition 68 Per Capita Grant Program
5. Agenda and packet received April 19, 2019 from Central Coast Water Authority re: Finance and Board of Directors Meeting April 25, 2019
6. Letter from District dated April 22, 2019 to Cachuma Operation and Maintenance Board re: Separation Agreement; Establishment of Separate Escrow Account for COMB Invoices
7. Letter from District dated April 22, 2019 to Ms. P. Sullivan re: Tampering with District Property - 570 Ranch Road
8. Letter from District dated April 24, 2019 to W. Wyatt, SY Band of Chumash Indians re: Water Service Requirements for Cultural Museum, Heritage House, Pavilion, Retail Building and Fire Protection
9. Letter from District dated April 25, 2019 to Mr. C. Johnson re: Final Notice - Backflow prevention testing
10. Letter from District dated April 25, 2019 to Transparent California re: response to public records act request
11. Letter from District dated April 26, 2019 to Mr. D. Lester re: Water service requirements - Demolition of guest house, creation of new additional dwelling unit - 1625 N. Refugio Road
12. Letter received April 26, 2019 from City of Solvang Community Development Department re: Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated negative Declaration for Atterdag Inn Expansion 459 & 467 Atterdag Road
13. Letter received April 29, 2019 from LAFCO re: Final LAFCO Budget for FY2019-2020
14. Copy of letter dated April 30, 2019 received from Brownstein, Hyatt Farber Schreck to Office of the District Attorney, County of Santa Barbara re: Brown Act Complaint against Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1
15. Letter received May 1, 2019 from Central Coast Water Authority re: CCWA and DWR June 1, 2019 Project Participant Fixed Assessments for FY 2019-2020, for ID No.1 and City of Solvang



16. Letter from District dated May 1, 2019 to Ms. D. Ramirez re: Water Service account payment arrangements
17. Letter received May 1, 2019 from California Department of Finance re: Price Factor and Population Information for FY 2019-2020
18. Letter from District dated May 2, 2019 to City of Solvang re: DWR/CCWA – Fixed Assessment for FY 2019-2020 City of Solvang
19. Letter from District dated May 2, 2019 to Mr. D. Lester re: Can & Will Serve letter - new additional dwelling unit - 1625 N. Refugio Rd
20. Letter from District dated May 2, 2019 sent to 11 District Customers re: Final Notice for Backflow prevention testing
21. Letter from District dated May 2, 2019 to Mr. E. Stockwell re: Water Service Compliance - 3561 Olive Street
22. Executed letter agreement received May 2, 2019 from Ms. D. Ramirez re: payment arrangement on water service account
23. Letter from District dated May 6, 2019 to Ms. M. Covarrubias re: 153 Kalawa Shaq - Access to District facilities
24. Letter from District dated May 7, 2019 to Mr. B. McInerney re: Existing water service - 1444 Refugio Road - ADU Conversion
25. Copy of letter from Office of the District Attorney received May 9, 2019 from Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP re: Brown Act Complaint against Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No.1
26. Letter from District dated May 17, 2019 to Ms. D. Stumvoll re: Payment arrangement letter agreement for water service account
27. Agenda and Board packet received from Central Coast Water Authority re: May 23, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting