Special Meeting of the

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

will be held at 5:00 pm, Wednesday, June 10, 2020

TELECONFERENCE MEETING ONLY – NO PHYSICAL MEETING LOCATION
Public Participation Dial-In Number: 1-267-866-0999
Passcode: 4194 08 7479 #

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

Important Notice Regarding Public Participation in Teleconference Meeting: Those who wish to provide public comment on an Agenda Item, or who otherwise are making a presentation to the Board of Directors, may participate in the meeting using the dial-in number and passcode above. Those wishing to submit written comments instead, please submit any and all comments and materials to the District via electronic mail at athompson@syrwcd.com. All submittals of written comments must be received by the District no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9, 2020, and should indicate "June 10, 2020 Board Meeting" in the subject line. To the extent practicable, public comments and materials received in advance pursuant to this timeframe will be read into the public record during the meeting. Public comments and materials not read into the record will become part of the post-meeting Board packet materials available to the public and posted on the District's website.

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

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Consideration of the Minutes of the Special Meetings of May 6, 2020 and May 12, 2020
- III. Additions, if any, to the Agenda
- IV. Public Comment (Any member of the public may address the Board relating to any non-agenda matter within the Board'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 Board at this meeting on any public item.)
- V. Public Hearing on the 42nd Annual Engineering Survey and Report on Water Supply Conditions of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, 2019-2020.
- VI. General Manager Report Status, discussion and possible Board action on the following subjects:
 - A. FY 2020-21 Budget
 - B. FY 2020-21 Groundwater Charge Rates

- C. Consideration of Adoption of Resolution No. 700 Making Findings and Determinations, Establishing Zones, Setting Rates and Levying Groundwater Charges within the District for the Water Year 2020-21
- D. Financial Reports, Monthly Warrant Reports, and 3rd Quarter Investment Report
- E. Water Rights Release
- F. Downstream User Accounting
- G. Reservoir and Rainfall Status
- H. Consider Audit Engagement for FY 2019-20
- VII. Groundwater Program Manager Report
 - A. Groundwater Production, Reporting, and Charges
 - B. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)
 - C. Letter to Santa Barbara County Planning Commission
- VIII. Attorney Report
- IX. Reports, questions of staff, status reports, announcements, observations, and other matters, and/or communications not requiring action
- X. Requests from the Board of Directors for items to be included on the next Agenda
- XI. Determination of next meeting date. The next meeting is scheduled as a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 4, 2020.

In compliance with the California Water Code, regular meetings are scheduled for the first Wednesday in March, June, September and December at various locations within the District. Special meetings may be held at any location within the District.

XII. Closed Session

To accommodate the teleconferencing format of this meeting, the public participation phone line will be closed for sixty (60) minutes while the Board of Directors convenes into closed session. Upon the conclusion of the 60-minute period, the public participation phone line will be reopened of the remaining Agenda Items.

The Board will hold a closed session to discuss the following items:

- A. Conference with Legal Counsel Pending Litigation (Government Code section 54956.9, subd. (d)(1)): Wolff vs SYRWCD, Superior Court of California, County of Santa Barbara, Case No. 20CV01552
- B. Conference with Legal Counsel Pending Litigation (Government Code section 54956.9, subd. (d)(1)) relating to proceedings pending before the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) regarding Permits 11308 and 11310 issued on

Applications 11331 and 11332 of the United States Bureau of Reclamation for the Cachuma Project, and complaints filed by the California Sport Fishing Protection Alliance regarding the operation of the Cachuma Project and SWRCB Order WR 89-18; proposed changes to the place and purpose of use of waters obtained through aforementioned permits for the Cachuma Project; and Reclamation's Petition for Reconsideration or Rehearing re Order WR 2019-0148; and proceedings related to SWRCB Permit No. 15878 (Application A022423) held by the City of Solvang including the City of Solvang's Petitions for Change and Extension of Time.

- C. Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation (Government Code section 54956.9, subd. (d)(2)): Significant exposure to litigation (one item).
- D. Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation (Government Code section 54956.9, subd. (d)(4)): Possible initiation of litigation (one item).

The public participation phone line (Dial-In Number and Passcode above) will be reopened sixty (60) minutes after the Board of Directors convenes into closed session.

XI. Reconvene into Open Session / Closed Session Report

XII. Adjournment

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DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT May 6, 2020

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District was held on Wednesday, May 06, 2020. As a result of the COVID-19 emergency and Governor Newsom's Executive Orders to protect public health by issuing shelter-in-home standards, limiting public gatherings, and requiring social distancing, this meeting occurred solely via teleconference as authorized by and in furtherance of Executive Order Nos. N-29-20 and N-33-20.

Directors Present: Cynthia Allen Mark Altshuler Art Hibbits Steve Jordan Brett Marymee

Others Present: General Manager Kevin Walsh, Groundwater Program Manager Bill Buelow,

Board Secretary Amber Thompson, Legal Counsel Steve Torigiani,

and 1 member of the public

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Allen called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m. Ms. Thompson called the roll. All Directors were present providing a quorum.

II. ADDITIONS, IF ANY, TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Allen submitted the minutes of the special meeting of March 4, 2020 for Board approval. Director Marymee made a <u>MOTION</u> to approve the minutes. Director Altshuler seconded the motion and passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES, Directors: Cynthia Allen

Mark Altshuler Art Hibbits Steve Jordan Brett Marymee

NOES, Directors: None ABSENT, Directors: None

V. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 42ND ANNUAL ENGINEERING SURVEY AND REPORT ON WATER SUPPLY CONDITIONS OF THE SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, 2019-2020

President Allen opened the public hearing. Ms. Thompson announced that she received the 42nd Annual Engineering Survey and Report on Water Supply Conditions of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District for 2019-2020 on April 22, 2020, the Public Hearing was properly noticed, and the full report is available to the public on the District's website (www.SYRWCD.com). Mr. Buelow, Groundwater Program Manager, provided a review of the report including changes derivative of Director comments and requests on the 41st Annual Report.

Discussion followed. There was no public comment.

President Allen closed the public hearing and continued the hearing to the June 10, 2020 Special Board meeting to allow the public 30 days to review the report.

VI. CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 697 – ESTABLISHING A PURCHASING POLICY AND PROCEDURES

The Board reviewed and briefly discussed the Purchasing Policy and Procedures. There was no public comment.

President Allen waived reading of the Resolution. Director Jordan <u>MOVED</u> to adopt Resolution No. 697: ESTABLISHING A PURCHASING POLICY AND PROCEDURES.

The motion was seconded by Director Marymee and the resolution was adopted and passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES, Directors: Cynthia Allen

Mark Altshuler Art Hibbits Steve Jordan Brett Marymee

NOES, Directors: None ABSENT, Directors: None

VII. GROUNDWATER PROGRAM MANAGER REPORT

A. Consider Resolution 698 – AMENDING THE DECEMBER 2018 GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND STATE OF CALIFORNIA

The Board reviewed and briefly discussed the Amendment to Grant Agreement. There was no public comment.

Director Jordan waived reading of the Resolution and <u>MOVED</u> to adopt Resolution No. 698: AMENDING THE DECEMBER 2018 GRANT

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND STATE OF CALIFORNIA

The motion was seconded by Director Altshuler and the resolution was adopted and passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES, Directors: Cynthia Allen

Mark Altshuler Art Hibbits Steve Jordan Brett Marymee

NOES, Directors: None ABSENT, Directors: None

B. Consider authorizing the General Manager or Designee to enter into contract(s) with Ramboll (or its US subsidiary) and SkyTEM (or its US subsidiary) or at the option of the General Manager, authorize Stetson Engineers to subcontract those firms as a contract amendment

Mr. Buelow reported that the District, on behalf of the Central Management Area (CMA) and Western Management Area (WMA) Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs), has been working with consultant firms Ramboll and SkyTEM to conduct the proposed Aerial Electromagnetic (AEM) survey of the CMA and WMA. The scope of work would be as proposed in the submitted Proposition 68 grant application prepared by the District. As part of the proposal effort, the District received cost-estimates from both firms. Both firms confirmed the costs quoted in their estimates are valid through 2020. Additionally, Stetson Engineers provided a cost estimate to integrate the new AEM data into the Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs). The estimated total cost for the project is \$400,000 with \$296,000 provided by the Proposition 68 grant award.

The WMA and CMA surveys would complement the AEM Survey of the Eastern Management Area (EMA) funded by the Santa Barbara County Water Agency. The District, County of Santa Barbara Water Agency and consultants are coordinating on the schedule of the surveys to potentially coincide.

Discussion followed. Director Jordan commented that the consultants should expect and consider on-going agricultural operations, especially in the WMA where there are many large field crews. Mr. Jordan added that farmers need to be notified of the timing of the AEM survey.

There was no public comment.

Director Marymee <u>MOVED</u> to authorize the General Manager or Designee the following contracting options: 1) District provide a change order to Stetson Engineers to subcontract Ramboll (or its US subsidiary) and SkyTEM (or its US subsidiary) or; 2) at the option of the General Manager, the District enter into contract(s) with those firms. The maximum aggregate contract should not exceed

\$425,000 without further Board approval. Director Jordan seconded the motion and passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES, Directors: Cynthia Allen

Mark Altshuler Art Hibbits Steve Jordan Brett Marymee

NOES, Directors: None ABSENT, Directors: None

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

Ms. Thompson reported election information will be emailed to Directors Altshuler and Jordan, both have terms expiring in 2020.

IX. REQUEST FOR ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED ON THE NEXT AGENDA

No requests were made for items to be included in the next agenda.

The next Board meeting will be a Special meeting on May 12, 2020 time to be determined. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, it will be held via teleconference call.

The next Regular Meeting scheduled for June 3, 2020, will be cancelled, and rescheduled as a Special Meeting for June 10, 2020, 5:00 p.m., location to be determined. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, it may be held via teleconference call.

X. CLOSED SESSION

To accommodate the teleconferencing format of this meeting, Ms. Thompson announced that the public participation phone line would was closed for sixty (60) minutes while the Board of Directors convenes into closed session and would be reopened at 6:25 p.m. The Board adjourned into Closed Session at 5:25 p.m. to discuss the following topics:

A. Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation (Government Code section 54956.9, subd. (d)(1)) relating to proceedings pending before the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) regarding Permits 11308 and 11310 issued on Applications 11331 and 11332 of the United States Bureau of Reclamation for the Cachuma Project, and complaints filed by the California Sport Fishing Protection Alliance regarding the operation of the Cachuma Project and SWRCB Order WR 89-18; proposed changes to the place and purpose of use of waters obtained through aforementioned permits for the Cachuma Project; and Reclamation's Petition for Reconsideration or Rehearing; and proceedings related

- to SWRCB Permit No. 15878 (Application A022423) held by the City of Solvang including the City of Solvang's Petitions for Change and Extension of Time.
- B. Conference with Legal Counsel Pending Litigation (Government Code section 54956.9, subd. (d)(1)): Wolff vs SYRWCD, Superior Court of California, County of Santa Barbara, Case No. 20CV01552
- C. Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation: Possible initiation of litigation (Government Code section 54956.9, subd. (d)(4) (one item).

XII. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION/REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Open session reconvened at 6:35 p.m. The public participation phone line was reopened. President Allen stated there is nothing to report.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business,	, President Alle	en adjourned the n	neeting at 6:35 p.m

Cynthia Allen, President	Amber M. Thompson, Secretary

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT May 12, 2020

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District was held on Tuesday, May 12, 2020. As a result of the COVID-19 emergency and Governor Newsom's Executive Orders to protect public health by issuing shelter-in-home standards, limiting public gatherings, and requiring social distancing, this meeting occurred solely via teleconference as authorized by and in furtherance of Executive Order Nos. N-29-20 and N-33-20.

Directors Present: Cynthia Allen Mark Altshuler Art Hibbits Steve Jordan Brett Marymee

Others Present: General Manager Kevin Walsh, Board Secretary Amber Thompson,

Legal Counsel Steve Torigiani, 4 Trustees of ID No. 1, 2 staff of ID No. 1,

ID No. 1 Legal Counsel Gary Kvistad

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Allen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Ms. Thompson called the roll. All Directors were present providing a quorum.

II. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS, IF ANY, TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or corrections to the agenda.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

IV. VACANCY - BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR DIVISION 3 OF SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 (ID NO. 1)

a. Review and discuss recommendations, if any, from ID No. 1 pertaining to the selection of a candidate to fill the position of Trustee for Division 1 of ID No. 1

President Allen requested a recommendation for a candidate to fill the vacancy on the Board of Trustees for Division 1 of Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, ID No. 1 from ID No. 1 Board of Trustees. ID No. 1 Board of Trustees President Jeff Clay advised that the Board of Trustees recommend Mr. Lee Rosenberg to fill the vacancy.

Consideration of candidates and selection of individual to fill the vacancy for b. Division 1 of the Board of Trustees of ID No. 1

President Allen opened Public Comment period at 6:33 p.m. There was no public comment. President Allen closed Public Comment period at 6:34 p.m. Directors discussed recommendations and comments.

Director Jordan MOVED to accept the recommendation of Board of Trustees of ID No. 1 to appoint the candidate Lee Rosenberg to fill the vacancy for Division 1 of the Board of Trustees of ID No. 1. The motion was seconded by Director Hibbits.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 699 APPOINTING TRUSTEE VI. FOR DIVISION 1 OF ID NO. 1

President Allen requested Ms. Thompson to read the title of the Resolution. Director Jordan MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 699, RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT APPOINTING LEE ROSENBERG TO THE POSITION OF TRUSTEE OF DIVISION 1 OF THE SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The motion was seconded by Director Hibbits and the Resolution was adopted and passed 5-0-0 on the following roll call vote:

> AYES, Directors: Cynthia Allen Mark Altshuler **Art Hibbits** Steve Jordan **Brett Marymee**

NOES, Directors: None ABSENT, Directors: None

XV. ADJOURNMENT

	There	being	no	further	business,	President	Allen	adjourned	the	meeting	at
6:41	p.m.										

Cynthia Allen, President	Amber M. Thompson, Secretary

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 10, 2020

TO: Cynthia Allen Mark Altshuler **Art Hibbits**

Brett Marymee Steve Jordan

FROM: Kevin D. Walsh

SUBJECT: General Manager Report

A. FY 2020-21 Budget

See attached Memo.

B. FY 2020-21Groundwater Charge Rates

See attached Memo.

C. Consideration of Resolution 700 Setting Groundwater Charges

Recommend: Motion to Adopt Resolution 700, waive reading. (Roll Call vote.)

D. Financial Reports, Monthly Warrants, and 3rd Quarter Investment Report

- Income Statements are attached.
- Monthly Balance Sheets are attached.
- Monthly Warrants are attached. Recommend Motion to Approve March, April & May Warrants (Roll Call vote.)
- Certification for 3rd Quarter Investment Report is attached.

E. Water Rights Release

Gin Chow. A release of about 600 acre-feet from Gibraltar Reservoir is expected to be made starting June 22.

Water Rights Order 89-18. A release from Bradbury Dam is tentatively planned for this summer, likely in mid-to late August and lasting for several weeks. The release amount is unknown at this time.

F. Downstream User Accounting

Summary and Graphs are attached.

G. Reservoir and Rainfall Status

Both Jamison and Gibraltar Reservoirs filled and spilled this year. Cachuma Reservoir peaked at nearly the same level as last year at about 81% of capacity.

H. Consider Audit Engagement for FY 2019-20 with Bartlett, Pringle and Wolf

Last year was the first time in about 23 years that the District has changed auditors. The firm Bartlett, Pringle, and Wolf (BPW) performed the audit for Fiscal Year 2018-19 for a cost of \$10,700. The Board was well pleased with the effort and staff is recommending that we engage them for the 2019-20 audit for a cost of \$10,700. (BPW is also engaged by the District to assist with the SGMA accounting.)

Recommend: Motion to approve FY 2019-20 Audit Engagement with Bartlett, Pringle, and Wolf for the amount of \$10,700. (Roll Call vote.)

KDW/amt

Enclosures

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 10, 2020

TO: Cynthia Allen Mark Altshuler Art Hibbits

Brett Marymee Steve Jordan

FROM: Kevin D. Walsh

SUBJECT: Final Budget 2020-2021

Recommendation

• Adopt Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget (Roll Call Vote)

Discussion

INCOME:

<u>Groundwater Charge Rates.</u> Moderate spring rains this year were similar to 2019, which had the effect of reducing groundwater production and consequently revenues. Therefore, the FY 2019-20 Projected Actual Revenue of \$535,000 is used for the FY 2020-21 Budget estimate.

Note: For all municipal suppliers, water production has <u>not</u> returned to pre-drought levels.

<u>Property Tax Revenue</u>. Prior to the COVID lockdown, the Governors office projected an increase of 5.7%. The May Revise projects a 3.5% increase, which is used for the Budget estimate.

(Note: Since 1992 Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund (ERAF) shift of property tax revenue taken away from this District and given to schools has amounted to almost \$900,000.)

<u>Investment Income.</u> Most of our Reserves are deposited with the State Local Investment Fund (LAIF), which invests mostly in shorter term Treasuries for safety and liquidity. Investment Income for FY 2020-21 is based on the most recent LAIF daily interest rate of 1.31%. The average last year was just over 2%.

<u>SGMA Grant Reimbursements.</u> Reimbursements from the Department of Water Resources (DWR) grant are projected to increase by over 3 times the amount budgeted for last year. This is because reimbursable expenses associated with Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) activities are expected to be over twice that amount that was budgeted for FY 2019-20.

EXPENSES:

Internal Operations and Office Expenses are estimated to be about 3% more than the FY 2019-20 budgeted amounts. The \$15,400 increase is primarily due due to a 2% Cost of Living salary adjustment (\$7,100), a 2% increase in the retirement plan match (\$6.700)*, an adjustment to the prior year benefits calculation due to an error in last year's budget (3,600), plus an almost 73% increase of \$6,800 in insurance coverage costs due to overall insurance industry increases coupled with one Workers Compensation claim. (The Workers Compensation insurance was negotiated down from an over 400% increase.)

* A review of other nearby government agencies (ID1, SYCSD, VVCSD, Solvang, Buellton, Lompoc, County SB) show that they each make a contribution equal or exceeding 7% of salaries to their employee retirement plan. The District provides an IRS 457 plan (government equivalent of a 401k) in lieu of a "qualified retirement plan". The District offers to its employees a 50% match of up to 3% of the employee's salary. Participation is voluntary. It is recommended that this 3% match limit be increased to 7% in a two-step increment of 2% this year, and another 2% next year. This will result in an overall budget increase of about \$7,100 each year, assuming 100% voluntary participation up to the match amount.

Legal and Engineering Expenses are expected to be \$5,000 less than the FY 2019-20 budgeted amounts. The State Water Board released Water Rights Order (WRO) 2019-0148 on September 17th, 2019. It is expected that an equal amount of the Legal and Engineering efforts on this new Water Rights Order will occur in FY 2020-21 with the same intensity as in the prior fiscal year. This is due to the mandated reports and studies regarding downstream water releases in the new WRO, plus our involvement in the revised Biological Assessment (BA). The BA is being prepared by the US Bureau of Reclamation for the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). Our concerns involve issues regarding mandated Cachuma water releases to river for the endangered steelhead trout. These flows from Bradbury Dam could have an impact on the District's own separate water rights release rates, volumes, amounts, and timing.

<u>Sustainable Groundwater Act (SGMA).</u> Work on the Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSP's) for the three Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSA's) is now fully underway. Budgeted amounts are double from last year. The District's share of this work will be offset by almost half due to reimbursements from the DWR Grant. Attached is a Three-Year Forecast of all SGMA Expenses and Grant Reimbursements.

Contingencies are set at the same amount as FY 2019-20: \$50,000.

(Note: The District has never had, and does not now, have any debt expense.)

RESERVES:

Reserves provide for un-expected large expenditures, rate stabilization, and a contingency for potential litigation.

In recent years, and for FY 2020-21, reserves provide rate stabilization. This will be the third year of no rate increases during a period of time when Expenses are exceeding Revenues. Transfers out of reserves for FY 2020-21 are significantly more than last year.

The District has set a goal of \$2.0 million in total reserves. Of this amount, \$1.6 million is earmarked for legal and engineering services mostly surrounding the activities of State Water Control Resources Board water rights orders and decisions. The remaining \$400,000 is for other contingencies. Reserve goals are expected to be met for FY 2019-20 ending on June 30, 2020. Budget projections for FY 2020-21 show that June 30, 2021 year-end amounts will be below the \$2.0 million goal by about \$154,000.

FUTURE YEARS

All things being equal, including an end to SGMA planning efforts and a return to "normal" income and expense differentials, one could expect that next fiscal year there would be only a small negative differential between Revenue and Expense. Beginning the following fiscal year, again all things being equal, a small positive contribution of about \$50,000 to reserves could be made. For years beyond that, inflation will erode the surplus revenue over expenses differential, and some sort of pump charge increases will need to be contemplated.

Unknown at this time are future year costs to this District for continued participation in the three SGMA Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (or some other governmental structure), and the long-term costs for the implementation of the Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSP's). Hopefully, a separate funding mechanism will be in place for <u>all</u> future SGMA activities.

WORKSHEET SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BUDGET JULY 1, 2020 - JUNE 30, 2021

June 10, 2020 Draft

	2019-20	2019-20	2019-20	2020-21
	<u>BUDGET</u>	10 month ACTUAL	Projected ACTUAL	<u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES:				
Groundwater Charge Rates	570,000	533,804	535,000	535,000
SB County Property Taxes	310,000	304,704	310,000	321,000
Interest Income	50,000	36,551	45,000	26,000
SGMA Grant Reimbusement	100,000	116,243	188,443	323,000
TOTAL INCOME	1,030,000	991,302	1,078,443	1,205,000
<u>EXPENSES</u>				
Internal Operations / Expenses Employee Salaries	347,000	284,134	343,000	354,000
Payroll (SS and Medicare)	26,000	21,296	25,800	27,000
Employee Benefits	2,400	4,820	5,700	6,000
Retirement Plan Contributions	11,000	12,674	14,400	17,700
Outside Services	10,000	2,516	5,000	5,000
Office Expense	34,000	27,823	34,000	34,000
Director Fees	4,000	975	2,100	3,000
Travel	6,000	5,052	6,000	7,000
Annual Audit	10,400	6,672	10,400	10,700
Insurance & Worker's Comp	9,200	8,764	9,200	16,000
Dues and LAFCO Fees	6,500	2,381	6,500	6,500
Groundwater Charges Program	50,000	22,154	40,000	45,000
Miscellaneous	3,000	822	3,000	3,000
SUB-TOTAL INTERNAL OPERATIONS	519,500	400,083	505,100	534,900
<u>Legal</u>	40.000	0.040	2 222	40.000
General & Misc.	10,000	6,816	9,000	10,000
Downstream Releases / Upper SYR Operations WR Decision (2019-0148); EIR	5,000 25,000	4,390 9,701	5,000 20,000	5,000 25,000
Fisheries Issues	25,000	26,828	30,000	25,000
Employment/HR	5,000	5,026	6,000	5,000
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SUB-TOTAL LEGAL Engineering / Environmental	70,000	52,761	70,000	70,000
General & Misc.	10,000	3,612	6,000	10,000
Annual GW Report	15,000	8,756	15,000	15,000
Downstream Releases Operations	65,000	24,834	40,000	65,000
Upper SYR Operations	15,000	1,874	10,000	10,000
WR Decision (2019-0148); EIR	25,000	15,028	25,000	25,000
Fisheries Hydrology	40,000	24,326	40,000	40,000
Other Consultants	15,000	1,272	10,000	15,000
SUB-TOTAL ENGINEERING / ENVIRON	185,000	79,702	146,000	180,000
SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER ACT (SGMA)	337,000	190,695	339,550	694,000
CONTINGENCIES	50,000	39,174	50,000	50,000
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,161,500	762,415	1,110,650	1,528,900
INCOME LESS EXPENSES	-\$131,500	\$228,887	-\$32,207	-\$323,900
<u>RESERVES</u>				
Amount from Reserves	\$131,500	\$70,000	\$32,207	\$323,900
Reserves, Total Balance	\$2,002,430	\$2,199,673	\$2,167,466	\$1,843,566

WORKSHEET SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Three-Year SGMA Forecast Expense and Grant Reimbursements

(Sustainable Groundwater Management Act)

June 10, 2020 Draft

		TOTAL		Total	District Share	Total	District Share	Total Net
	EMA ¹	CMA ²	WMA ²	<u>Estimate</u>	<u>Estimate</u>	Grant Funds ^{3,4,5}	Grant Funds	<u>District Cost</u>
FY 19-20	\$27,345	\$296,393	\$355,361	\$679,099	\$339,550	\$376,886	\$188,443	\$151,106
FY 20-21	\$37,000	\$558,333	\$792,667	\$1,388,000	\$694,000	\$646,000	\$323,000	\$371,000
FY 21-22	\$132,655	\$102,607	\$167,639	 \$402,901	\$201,451	\$273,114	\$136,557	\$64,894
Total	\$197,000	\$957,333	\$1,315,667	\$2,470,000	\$1,235,000	\$1,296,000	\$648,000	\$587,000
DISTRICT SHARE	\$98,500	\$478,667	\$657,833	\$1,235,000				

¹⁾ Additional estimated \$100K for EMA GSP preparation not included in County effort to be paid by SYRWCD, ID#1 and Solvang

²⁾ FY 20-21 includes estimated costs for AEM surveys \$133K for CMA and \$267K for WMA

³⁾ FY 19-20 are projected reimbursements based on submittals to date to DWR

⁴⁾ FY 20-21 and 21-22 are estimated reimbursements

⁵⁾ FY 20-21 Grant funds include estimated Round 2 reimbursement of \$350K and the entire Round 3 reimbursement of \$296K

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 10, 2020

TO: Cynthia Allen Mark Altshuler Art Hibbits

Brett Marymee Steve Jordan

FROM: Amber M. Thompson

SUBJECT: Elections Information - 2020

The date of the consolidated general election is November 3, 2020.

The filing period for incumbents opens July 13, 2020 and closes August 7, 2020. **Division 2 (Incumbent Steve Jordan) and Division 3 (Incumbent Mark Altshuler) are up for election this year.** To protect the health and safety of candidates and the Elections Office staff, candidate filing will be available **by appointment only** at the Santa Barbara Elections Main Office and Santa Maria Elections Branch Office.

As per District resolution on Candidates' Statements, prior Board decisions on who pays for the cost of printing, handling, and mailing the statements and how long (200 or 400 words) the statements should be are as follows:

ELECTION YEAR	<u>WHO</u>	HOW LONG
2000	Candidate	400
2002 - 2018	Candidate	200

Should the Board wish to elect the same choices as the last resolution (No. 577), then a new resolution is not needed.

The District's cost for each election is based on the number of positions open, if a position is challenged, the registered voters in each Division and the pro-rata head count cost will be passed on to the District by the County. There is no cost for an uncontested election. We are waiting for 2020 cost estimate from the County Elections office. The cost for the 2018 election was estimated to be zero up to \$15,800, depending on whether any of the open seats are challenged.

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEMORANDUM

TO: Cynthia Allen Mark Altshuler Art Hibbits Steve Jordan Brett Marymee

Steve Torigiani Ali Shahroody Bill Buelow

FROM: Kevin Walsh

DATE: June 10, 2020

SUBJECT: FY 2020-21 Groundwater Charge Rates

Recommendation

That Groundwater Charge Rates for FY 2020-21 remain unchanged from FY 2019-20. (Roll call vote.)

Discussion

There are three categories of Groundwater Charge Rates:

- 1) Agricultural Water: Water used on lands in the production of plant crops or livestock for market.
- 2) Special Irrigation Water: Water used for irrigation of golf courses, schools, cemeteries, and publicly owned historical sites.
- 3) Other Water: All other non-agricultural uses, including drinking water for livestock and pasture irrigation for pleasure farms and animals.

The Groundwater Charge Rates recognize that there are categories of different use patterns, sources, water quality and quantity requirements needed and used. Each levies a different effort and ultimately a financial burden upon the District. The Groundwater Charge Rates establish a reasonable relationship to the burdens on and benefits of the District's activities for each of the three categories.

In determining Groundwater Charge Rates, consideration was given to:

- Groundwater Charge Rates are the only income source over which the District has true control.
- The most recent rate increase was adopted in 2018. It was 47% higher than previous years.
- The rate at which Contingency Reserves are being depleted, and how they might be replenished.
- Predicting revenue from Groundwater Charge Rates is problematic, as groundwater use is highly dependent upon weather conditions and other non-determinative factors.
- Reserves can be used for rate stabilization purposes.

Income from Groundwater Charge Rates for any given fiscal year is received six months in arrears from the two production periods of the prior full calendar year. For example, for FY 2020-21, income will be based on groundwater production in calendar year 2020. Historical and projected revenues are shown in Table 1. A 5-year historical and projected rate comparison is shown in Table 2.

Table 1
5-Year Historical and Projected Revenue by Production Period
(Revenue for Years Prior to 2018-19 calculated using 2020-21 Charge Rates)

<u> </u>	<u> Year</u>	Production Period		
<u>Fiscal</u>	<u>Calendar</u>	<u>Jan. 1 – June 30</u>	<u>July 1 – Dec. 31</u>	Total Revenue
2016-17	2016	\$293,312	\$311,957	\$605,269
2017-18	2017	\$257,047	\$303,938	\$560,985
2018-19	2018	\$289,817	\$303,651	\$593,468
2019-20	2019	<u>\$253,324</u>	<u>\$281,676</u>	<u>\$535,000</u>
4-Yea	r AVERAGE	\$273,375	\$300,306	\$573,681
2020-21	2020	\$253,324	\$281,676	\$535,000

Income for FY 2020-21 from Groundwater Charge Rates was conservatively determined by assuming the same revenue that is projected to be received in FY 2019-20. (Numbers in italics are estimated.)

<u>Table 2</u> 5-Historical and Projected Groundwater Charge Rates (Dollars per Acre-Foot)

Fiscal Year	<u>Zone</u>	Agricultural Water	Other Water	Special Irrigation Water
2016-17	Zones A-B	3.85	13.48	7.70
	Zones C-F	3.00	10.50	6.00
2017-18	Zones A – F (all zones)	4.85	16.98	9.70
2018-19	Zones A – F (all zones)	7.15	25.00	14.30
2019-20	Zones A – F (all zones)	7.15	25.00	14.30
2020-21	Zones A - F (all zones)	7.15	25.00	14.30

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RESOLUTION NO. 700

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT MAKING FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS, ESTABLISHING ZONES, SETTING RATES AND LEVYING A GROUNDWATER CHARGE WITHIN THE DISTRICT FOR THE WATER YEAR 2020-2021

WHEREAS, the Board duly noticed a public hearing pursuant to Water Code Section 75570 et seq., inviting interested persons to appear and submit evidence concerning the groundwater conditions and the surface water supplies of the District; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was held on May 6, 2020, and continued to June 10, 2020, at which time the Board invited such interested persons and representatives of operators of water producing facilities within the District to appear and submit evidence and such appearances were duly made and such evidence was duly received; and

WHEREAS, evidence submitted at the May 6, 2020 and June 10, 2020 hearings was in accord with and in support of the continuation of such a charge on all water producing facilities within the District to finance the District activities and purposes as set forth in Water Code Section 74000 et seq., for the water year 2020-21; and

WHEREAS, evidence was submitted and considered at said hearings regarding the need for specific separate zones to reflect varying benefits for the District's activities which different areas of the District enjoy; and

WHEREAS, evidence was submitted, and it hereby found, that continuation of such a charge is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act by Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(8); and

WHEREAS, an engineering investigation and report (entitled Forty-Second Annual Engineering and Survey Report on Water Supply Conditions of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District 2019-2020, dated April 24, 2020) was duly prepared by the District's consulting engineer, Stetson Engineers, and submitted to the Board pursuant to Water Code Section 75570 et seq., which report provides specific factual data to permit the District to make findings and determinations as required by law; and

WHEREAS, this District performs essential regulatory activities in managing, protecting, conserving, and enhancing the water resources of the groundwater basins within the District. The Groundwater Charge Rates recognize that there are categories of different use patterns, sources, water quality and quantity requirements needed and used, each of which levy a different effort and ultimately a financial burden upon the District. The Groundwater Charge Rates establish a reasonable relationship to the burdens on and benefits of the District's activities for each of the three categories; and

WHEREAS, groundwater charges herein established are levied only upon those electing to pump groundwater and to the extent of groundwater pumping, and such charges serve a regulatory function to encourage water conservation and provide revenue to assist the District to perform its essential regulatory activities to manage, protect, conserve and enhance the water resources of the groundwater basins within the District; and

WHEREAS, it is more efficient and effective for the District to continue to provide these activities which require concentrated, coordinated action on behalf of all groundwater users within the basins, who, by their extraction of groundwater burden the basin and benefit from the District's services in a manner that non-fee payors do not, rather than to leave such activities to individuals who could neither afford nor effectively act to protect or augment their water resources as individuals; and

WHEREAS, the groundwater charges fund the continuation of groundwater management services performed by the District to mitigate the burdens imposed on the groundwater basins within the District by groundwater extractors for the benefits of the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, such groundwater charges do not exceed the reasonable costs of the District carrying out its activities, and the manner in which the costs are allocated bear a fair or reasonable relationship to the benefits received from the District's activities; and

WHEREAS, existing limitations on property tax revenues which historically were used to finance District purposes preclude continuation of District activities without additional financing; and

WHEREAS, the District first implemented a groundwater charge prior to January 1, 1982, to implement the transition from the property taxation system in effect prior to June 1, 1978; and

WHEREAS, the District's groundwater extraction charges do not fund a property related service pursuant to Article XIII.D. of the California Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the groundwater charges are reasonably related to the District's regulatory and groundwater management services and do not generate a surplus for general revenue purposes; and

WHEREAS, this Board determines that it is in the best interest of the residents and landowners of the District that a groundwater charge and several zones be established within the District, and that a groundwater charge be levied at the rates provided for herein within those zones upon those that elect to pump groundwater.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this Board of Directors as follows:

1. The foregoing recitals of fact are true and correct;

- 2. The Board hereby makes the following findings and determinations pursuant to Water Code Section 75574:
 - (a) The average annual overdraft for the immediate past ten (10) water years (statutory): 3,470± acre-feet;
 - (b) The estimated annual overdraft for the current (2019-20) water year (statutory): 2,000± acre-feet;
 - (c) The estimated annual overdraft for the ensuing (2020-21) water year (statutory): 2,000± acre-feet;
 - (d) The accumulated overdraft as of the last day of the preceding (2018-19) water year (statutory): 143,700± acre-feet in terms of accumulated dewatered storage. Accumulated overdraft as defined in Water Code Section 75505 is nominal, at this time;
 - (e) The estimated accumulated overdraft as of the last day of the current (2019-20) water year (statutory): 142,000± acre-feet in terms of accumulated dewatered storage. Accumulated overdraft as defined in Water Code 75505 is nominal, at this time;
 - (f) The estimated amount of agricultural water to be withdrawn from the groundwater supplies of the District for the ensuing water year (2020-21); 33,560 acre-feet of agricultural water and 1,350 acre-feet of special irrigation water;
 - (g) The estimated amount of water other than agricultural water or special irrigation water to be withdrawn from the groundwater supplies of the District for the ensuing (2020-21) water year (statutory): approximately 11,350 acre-feet;
 - (h) The estimated amount of water necessary for surface distribution for the ensuing (2020-21) water year (statutory): approximately 4,900 acre-feet scheduled to be delivered by the Central Coast Water Agency to contractors within the District;
 - (i) The amount of water, which is necessary for the replenishment of the groundwater supplies of the District: 142,000± acre-feet to completely replenish accumulated dewatered storage;
 - (j) The amount of water the District is obligated by contract to purchase: The District is not obligated by contract to purchase water.
- 3. The Board hereby establishes the following zones within the District based on relative benefits of the District's activities to be received by water producers within such zones:
 - Zone A: That portion of the Santa Ynez River alluvial channel from San Lucas Bridge downstream to the Lompoc Narrows, as depicted on Figure 2,

following Page 10, of the "Forty-Second Annual Engineering and Survey Report on Water Supply Conditions of the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District 2019-20" dated April 24, 2020, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Zone B: The Lompoc area, including the Lompoc Plain, Lompoc Upland and Lompoc Terrace as depicted on said Figure 2;

Zone C: All other portions of the District not included in Zones A, B, D, E and F as depicted on said Figure 2;

Zone D: The Buellton Upland area within the District as depicted on Figure 2;

Zone E: The Santa Ynez Upland area within the District as depicted on Figure 2;

Zone F: The Santa Rita Upland area within the District as depicted on Figure 2;

4. A groundwater charge is hereby levied, and the following rates are hereby established and applied to all water produced from each zone as shown below for the fiscal year 2020-21:

Zone A

Agricultural Water	\$7.15 per acre-foot
Special Irrigation Water	\$14.30 per acre-foot
Other Water	\$25.00 per acre-foot

Zone B

Agricultural Water	\$7.15 per acre-foot
Special Irrigation Water	\$14.30 per acre-foot
Other Water	\$25.00 per acre-foot

Zone C

Agricultural Water	\$7.15 per acre-foot
Special Irrigation Water	\$14.30 per acre-foot
Other Water	\$25.00 per acre-foot

Zone D

Agricultural Water	\$7.15 per acre-foot
Special Irrigation Water	\$14.30 per acre-foot
Other Water	\$25.00 per acre-foot

Zone E

Agricultural Water \$7.15 per acre-foot Special Irrigation Water \$14.30 per acre-foot Other Water \$25.00 per acre-foot

Zone F

Agricultural Water \$7.15 per acre-foot Special Irrigation Water \$14.30 per acre-foot Other Water \$25.00 per acre-foot

- 5. The Board hereby finds and determines that groundwater producers within Zones A, B, C, D, E, and F all benefit substantially from the District's activities in protecting and defending area water rights against users from outside the District and in regional planning for use and augmentation of water supplies for use within the District and in regional planning for sustainable groundwater basin management; that groundwater producers within Zone A and Zone B benefit specifically from District activities regarding the monitoring of releases from upstream dams and protection of water rights of pumpers within the River alluvial channel and associated groundwater basins against claims and attacks by upstream exporters from the basin; that groundwater producers within Zones A and B benefit specifically from District activities regarding management of water rights releases from Bradbury Dam and water quality studies for the Lompoc area, all parts of which are in hydrologic continuity with each other; and that groundwater producers within Zone D benefit from the District's activities with regard to the Buellton Upland Groundwater Management Plan.
- 6. The Board hereby establishes the following methods to compute the amounts of water produced from a water producing facility within the District:
 - (a) If the well production is metered by a flow meter, then the meter reading will be utilized.
 - (b) If the well is not metered, but has a separate electric meter, then production may be determined from electrical consumption and pump test results, if available. Annual pump tests shall be run whenever possible with the results of the most recent test used to verify and/or adjust meter readings.
 - (c) Production may be estimated based upon type of water use, estimated applied unit use, area irrigated, and types of crops grown on land, or number of connections or persons served, or type and quantity of units produced.
 - (d) Other criteria recommended by the District's engineer from time to time which will allow the Board to determine with reasonable accuracy the amount of water produced from a water producing facility.

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SY River Water District BALANCE SHEET APRIL 30, 2020

ASSETS

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Mechanics Checking #7071-01 Mechanics #7311 (GW Revenue) Mechanics #7313 (2nd MM) Mechanics #7314 (Grant Funds) LAIF SBIF Unrealized gains & losses Taxes Receivable Interest Receivable Deferred Expenses Prepaid Expenses Accounts Receivable Temporary Suspense Acount Pass through Transfer	\$19,508.24 228,881.31 3,185.33 251,698.27 1,809,550.28 386,937.45 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .0	
TOTAL ASSETS		2,699,715.88
TOTAL ASSETS		\$2,699,715.88 ========
LIABILITIES AND	EQUITY	
Accounts Payable Accrued Payroll Taxes Deferred Comp - Lincoln Nat'l Due USGS Lpc. Monit. Study Due ID No 1 LAFCO Due Misc SYRHM Project (Agency Fund) Due to other Govs, Interest Due to other Govs, Reimb	16,151.67 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 40.10 158,889.32	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		175,081.09
TOTAL LIABILITIES		175,081.09
RESERVES		
Unappropriated Reserves RETAINED EARNINGS-CURRENT YEAR	2,295,748.14 228,886.65	
TOTAL RESERVES		2,524,634.79
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		\$2,699,715.88

SY River Water District INCOME STATEMENT

FOR THE 10 PERIODS ENDED APRIL 30, 2020

	PERIOD TO DATE					
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE	ACTUAL	YEAR TO DATE BUDGET	VARIANCE
INCOME						
DWR Grant Reimbursement	\$53,628.44	37,500.00	16,128.44	116,242.52	100,000.00	16,242.52
Ground Water Charges	68.97	.00	68.97	532,910.97	570,000.00	(37,089.03)
SB Co. Property Taxes	122,983.01	105,000.00	17,983.01	304,704.47	269,000.00	35,704.47
Interest Income, all sources	10,800.70	.00	10,800.70	36,551.19	37,500.00	(948.81)
Miscellaneous Income	686.19	.00	686.19	892.84	.00	892.84
TOTAL INCOME	188,167.31	142,500.00	45,667.31	991,301.99	976,500.00	14,801.99
GROSS PROFIT	188,167.31	142,500.00	45,667.31	991,301.99	976,500.00	14,801.99
EXPENSES:						
EXPENSES, OPERATIONS						
Employee Compensation	29,194.16	28,916.67	(277.49)	284,134.16	289,166.70	5,032.54
Payroll (SS & Medicare)	2,233.34	2,166.67	(66.67)	21,296.08	21,666.70	370.62
Employee Benefits	430.71	200.00	(230.71)	4,819.55	2,000.00	(2,819.55)
Retirement Costs	875.84	.00	(875.84)	12,673.74	11,000.00	(1,673.74)
Outside Staff Support	445.83	833.33	387.50	2,516.33	8,333.30	5,816.97
Director Fees	.00	333.33	333.33	975.00	3,333.30	2,358.30
Ground Water Charges Admin.	1,841.75	4,166.67	2,324.92	22,132.89	41,666.70	19,533.81
Office Supplies-Incl Computer	509.53	250.00	(259.53)	5,009.41	2,500.00	(2,509.41)
IT Services	.00	166.67	166.67	1,452.14	1,666.70	214.56
Communications	355.75	541.67	185.92	4,542.77	5,416.70	873.93
Travel & Subsistance	128.10	500.00	371.90	5,051.91	5,000.00	(51.91)
Audit/Accounting	.00	.00	.00	6,672.25	10,400.00	3,727.75
Insurance, Bonds, Work. Comp	.00	.00	.00	8,763.83	9,200.00	436.17
Misc. Expense	44.00	250.00	206.00	821.57	2,500.00	1,678.43
Dues	.00	.00	.00	2,043.00	2,000.00	(43.00)
Tax Admin Fee/LAFCO Cost	.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	338.00	4,500.00	4,162.00
Office Occupancy	1,681.47	1,875.00	193.53	16,818.88	18,750.00	1,931.12
Credit Card Processing Fees	(21.38)	.00	21.38	21.38	.00	(21.38)
TOTAL EXPENSES, OPERATIONS	37,719.10	44,200.01	6,480.91	400,082.89	439,100.10	39,017.21
EXPENSES, SGMA						
SGMA General	870.50	416.67	(453.83)	3,861.79	4,166.70	304.91
SGMA WMA	11,288.33	14,333.33	3,045.00	96,104.77	143,333.30	47,228.53
SGMA CMA	5,618.55	10,833.33	5,214.78	65,339.66	108,333.30	42,993.64
SGMA EMA	.00	2,777.77	2,777.77	15,800.00	19,444.39	3,644.39
TOTAL EXPENSES, SGMA	17,777.38	28,361.10	10,583.72	181,106.22	275,277.69	94,171.47
EXPENSES, SPECIAL STUDIES						
SYR Monitoring Program	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
SYR Studies Program	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
TOTAL EXPENSES, SPECIAL STUDIE	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
EXPENSES, LEGAL						
General & Misc	2,629.30	833.33	(1,795.97)	6,815.56	8,333.30	1,517.74
WR89-18	2,715.50	.00	(2,715.50)	3,742.00	.00	(3,742.00)
Upper SYR Ops	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	648.00	1,000.00	352.00

SY River Water District INCOME STATEMENT

FOR THE 10 PERIODS ENDED APRIL 30, 2020

		PERIOD TO DATE			YEAR TO DATE	
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
EXPENSES, LEGAL	(Continued)					
WR 2019-0148 Decision; EIR	\$268.00	2,083.33	1,815.33	9,700.99	20,833.30	11,132.31
Fisheries, Legal	1,475.00	.00	(1,475.00)	26,828.00	25,000.00	(1,828.00)
HR	2,000.00	416.67	(1,583.33)	5,025.95	4,166.70	(859.25)
SGMA	3,721.75	416.67	(3,305.08)	9,589.55	4,166.70	(5,422.85)
TOTAL EXPENSES, LEGAL	12,809.55	4,750.00	(8,059.55)	62,350.05	63,500.00	1,149.95
EXPENSES, ENGINEER						
General & Misc.	368.25	833.33	465.08	3,612.50	8,333.30	4,720.80
Annual G.W. Report	5,546.86	1,250.00	(4,296.86)	8,756.10	12,500.00	3,743.90
WR 89-18 Operations	2,685.40	5,416.67	2,731.27	24,834.11	54,166.70	29,332.59
Upper SYR Operations	72.48	1,250.00	1,177.52	1,873.98	12,500.00	10,626.02
WR 2019-0148 Decision; EIR	414.75	2,083.33	1,668.58	15,027.78	20,833.30	5,805.52
Fisheries Hydrology	107.00	3,333.33	3,226.33	24,325.75	33,333.30	9,007.55
Fisheries Consulting	.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,272.00	12,500.00	11,228.00
TOTAL EXPENSES, ENGINEER	9,194.74	15,416.66	6,221.92	79,702.22	154,166.60	74,464.38
EXPENSES, CONTINGENCIES						
All Zones, General	3,302.25	4,166.67	864.42	11,392.25	41,666.70	30,274.45
Tenant Improvements	23,000.00	.00	(23,000.00)	27,781.71	.00	(27,781.71)
TOTAL EXPENSES, CONTINGENCIES	26,302.25	4,166.67	(22,135.58)	•	41,666.70	2,492.74
TOTAL EXPENSES	103,803.02	96,894.44	(6,908.58)	762,415.34	973,711.09	211,295.75
NET INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	84,364.29	45,605.56	38,758.73	228,886.65	2,788.91	226,097.74
EARNINGS BEFORE INCOME TAX	84,364.29	45,605.56	38,758.73	228,886.65	2,788.91	226,097.74
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$84,364.29	45,605.56	38,758.73	228,886.65	2,788.91	226,097.74

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT MARCH 2020 WARRANT LIST FOR BOARD APPROVAL

<u>NUMBER</u>	DATE	<u>PAYEE</u>	DESCRIPTION	_1	AMOUNT
5012-5014	3/3/2020	Payroll	February 16-29, 2020 Salary	\$	8,448.39
5015	3/3/2020	Employment Development Dept.	EDD Tax Deposit	\$	660.22
5016	3/3/2020	Lincoln Financial Group	457 Plan Combined Contributions (#1 March)	\$	2,013.23
5017	3/3/2020	Mechanics Bank (Payroll Acct)	Payroll Tax Deposit	\$	4,549.89
5018	3/11/2020	Cynthia Allen	3/4 Board Meeting; 2/24 CMA	\$	150.00
5019	3/11/2020	Allpaid	February 2020 Credit Card Transaction Fees	\$	21.38
5020	3/11/2020	Mark Altshuler	3/4 Board Meeting	\$	75.00
5021	3/11/2020	William Buelow	February 2020 Reimburseables	\$	93.30
5022	3/11/2020	Comcast	March 2020 Internet Service	\$	159.83
5023	3/11/2020	Guardian	March 2020-Life, LTD & ADD Insurance	\$	293.01
5024	3/11/2020	Jim Heyerly	March 2020 Rent	\$	1,500.00
5025	3/11/2020	Art Hibbits	3/4 Board Meeting; 2/24 CMA; 2/26 WMA	\$	225.00
5026	3/11/2020	Humana Insurance Co.	March 2020 Dental Insurance	\$	116.94
5027	3/11/2020	Steve Jordan	3/4 Board Meeting; 2/26 WMA	\$	150.00
5028	3/11/2020	Brett Marymee	3/4 Board Meeting; 2/27 EMA	\$	150.00
5029	3/11/2020	Alexander Pappas	February 2020 G.W. & SGMA Admin. Service	\$	936.00
5030	3/11/2020	Pacific Gas & Electric	February 2020 Electric Service	\$	98.49
5031	3/11/2020	Shirley Scales Bookkeeping	February 2020 G.W. & SGMA Admin Service	\$	2,721.25
5032	3/11/2020	Staples Credit Plan	Office Supplies	\$	53.10
5033	3/11/2020	Stetson Engineers	January 2020 Engineering Service	\$	6,235.64
5034	3/11/2020	Amber Thompson	January-February 2020 Reimburseables	\$	56.26
5035	3/11/2020	US Bank Corp	February 2020 CalCard	\$	962.72
5036	3/11/2020	VOID	VOID	\$	-
5037	3/11/2020	Vision Service Plan	March 2020 Vision Insurance	\$	20.76
5038	3/11/2020	Kevin Walsh	January-February 2020 Reimburseables	\$	168.78
5039	3/11/2020	Young Wooldridge	February 2020 Legal Service	\$	2,826.00
5040	3/11/2020	Valley Bookkeeping Services	February 2020 Bookkeeping Service	\$	300.00
5041	3/18/2020	Employment Development Dept.	EDD Tax Deposit	\$	660.22
5042	3/18/2020	Lincoln Financial Group	457 Plan Combined Contributions (#2 March)	\$	2,013.23
5043	3/18/2020	Mechanics Bank (Payroll Acct)	Payroll Tax Deposit	\$	4,549.89
ACH	3/18/2020	Payroll	March 1-15, 2020 Salary	\$	8,448.39
			TOTAL	\$	48,656.92

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT APRIL 2020 WARRANT LIST FOR BOARD APPROVAL

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	 AMOUNT_
Cashier Check (MM 7311) Bank Fee	4/2/2020	Jim Heyerly	Tenant Requested Improvement - Conference Room Deposit	\$ 8,500.00
(MM 7311)	4/2/2020	Mechanics Bank	Bank Fee for Cashier Check	\$ 9.00
ACH	4/2/2020	Payroll	March 16-31, 2020 Salary	\$ 8,448.39
5044	4/2/2020	Employment Development Dept.	EDD Tax Deposit	\$ 660.22
5045	4/2/2020	Lincoln Financial Group	457 Plan Combined Contributions (#1 April)	\$ 2,013.23
5046	4/2/2020	Mechanics Bank (Payroll Acct)	Payroll Tax Deposit	\$ 4,549.89
5047	4/8/2020	Guardian	April 2020-Life, LTD & ADD Insurance	\$ 293.01
5048	4/8/2020	Jim Heyerly	April 2020 Rent	\$ 1,500.00
5049	4/8/2020	Humana Insurance Co.	April 2020 Dental Insurance	\$ 116.94
5050	4/8/2020	Alexander Pappas	March 2020 G.W. & SGMA Admin. Service	\$ 1,566.00
5051	4/8/2020	Pacific Gas & Electric	March 2020 Electric Service	\$ 81.47
5052	4/8/2020	Shirley Scales Bookkeeping	March 2020 G.W. & SGMA Admin Service	\$ 1,146.25
5053	4/8/2020	Staples Credit Plan	Office Supplies	\$ 339.07
5054	4/8/2020	Stetson Engineers	February 2020 Engineering Service	\$ 9,194.74
5055	4/8/2020	US Bank Corp	March 2020 CalCard	\$ 754.31
5056	4/8/2020	Valley Bookkeeping Services	March 2020 Bookkeeping Service	\$ 300.00
5057	4/8/2020	Vision Service Plan	April 2020 Vision Insurance	\$ 20.76
5058	4/8/2020	Young Wooldridge	March 2020 Legal Service	\$ 16,111.80
5059	4/8/2020	Your People Professionals	February 2020 HR Service	\$ 145.83
5060	4/8/2020	Jim Heyerly	Tenant Requested Improvement - Conference Room	\$ 8,500.00
ACH	4/16/2020	Payroll	April 1-15, 2020 Salary	\$ 8,734.19
ACH	4/16/2020	Employment Development Dept.	EDD Tax Deposit	\$ 698.22
ACH	4/16/2020	Lincoln Financial Group	457 Plan Combined Contributions (#2 April)	\$ 2,038.43
ACH	4/16/2020	Mechanics Bank (Payroll Acct)	Payroll Tax Deposit	\$ 4,680.83
5061	4/28/2020	Jim Heyerly	Tenant Requested Improvement - Conference Room	\$ 6,000.00
			TOTAL	\$ 86,402.58

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT MAY 2020 WARRANT LIST FOR BOARD APPROVAL

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	_1	AMOUNT_
ACH	5/1/2020	Payroll	April 16-30, 2020 Salary	\$	8,734.19
ACH	5/1/2020	Employment Development Dept.	EDD Tax Deposit	\$	698.22
ACH	5/1/2020	Mechanics Bank (Payroll Acct)	Payroll Tax Deposit	\$	4,680.83
ACH	5/1/2020	Lincoln Financial Group	457 Plan Combined Contributions (#1 May)	\$	2,038.43
5062	5/12/2020	Cynthia Allen	5/6 Board Meeting	\$	75.00
5063	5/12/2020	Mark Altshuler	5/6 Board Meeting	\$	75.00
5064	5/12/2020	Employment Development Dept.	Unemployment Claim - FY 2019-20, 3rd Quarter	\$	4,050.00
5065	5/12/2020	Guardian	May 2020-Life, LTD & ADD Insurance	\$	293.01
5066	5/12/2020	Jim Heyerly	May 2020 Rent	\$	1,500.00
5067	5/12/2020	Art Hibbits	5/6 Board Meeting	\$	75.00
5068	5/12/2020	Humana Insurance Co.	May 2020 Dental Insurance	\$	116.94
5069	5/12/2020	Inklings Printing Co.	GW Forms & envelopes	\$	852.98
5070	5/12/2020	Steve Jordan	5/6 Board Meeting	\$	75.00
5071	5/12/2020	Brett Marymee	5/6 Board Meeting	\$	75.00
5072	5/12/2020	Onsite Computers & Design	IT Services/Repair	\$	157.50
5073	5/12/2020	Alexander Pappas	April 2020 G.W. & SGMA Admin. Service	\$	1,116.00
5074	5/12/2020	Pacific Gas & Electric	April 2020 Electric Service	\$	72.91
5075	5/12/2020	Shirley Scales Bookkeeping	April 2020 G.W. & SGMA Admin Service	\$	2,367.50
5076	5/12/2020	Stetson Engineers	March 2020 Engineering Service	\$	5,666.14
5077	5/12/2020	US Bank Corp	April 2020 CalCard	\$	1,217.41
5078	5/12/2020	Valley Bookkeeping Services	April 2020 Bookkeeping Service	\$	300.00
5079	5/12/2020	Kevin Walsh	March-April 2020 Reimburseables	\$	353.80
5080	5/12/2020	Young Wooldridge	April 2020 Legal Service	\$	12,522.53
5081	5/12/2020	Vision Service Plan	May 2020 Vision Insurance	\$	20.76
ACH	5/18/2020	Payroll	May 1-15, 2020 Salary	\$	8,734.19
ACH	5/18/2020	Employment Development Dept.	EDD Tax Deposit	\$	698.22
ACH	5/18/2020	Lincoln Financial Group	457 Plan Combined Contributions (#2 May)	\$	2,038.43
ACH	5/18/2020	Mechanics Bank (Payroll Acct)	Payroll Tax Deposit	\$	4,680.83
			TOTAL	\$	63,285.82

QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT

(REF. CGC 53646 (B) (1) AND 53646 (E))

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

3RD QUARTER, FY 20**19-20**

JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH 2020

Certification is hereby provided that:

- A. All investment actions executed during the last quarter have been made in full compliance with the Investment Policy; and,
- B. Sufficient funds exist so that the District will meet its expenditure obligations for the next six months as required by CGC 53646 (b) (2) and (3), respectively.

CERTIFICATION:

Kevin D. Walsh, General Manager

William I Ruelow Treasurer

6 May 2020

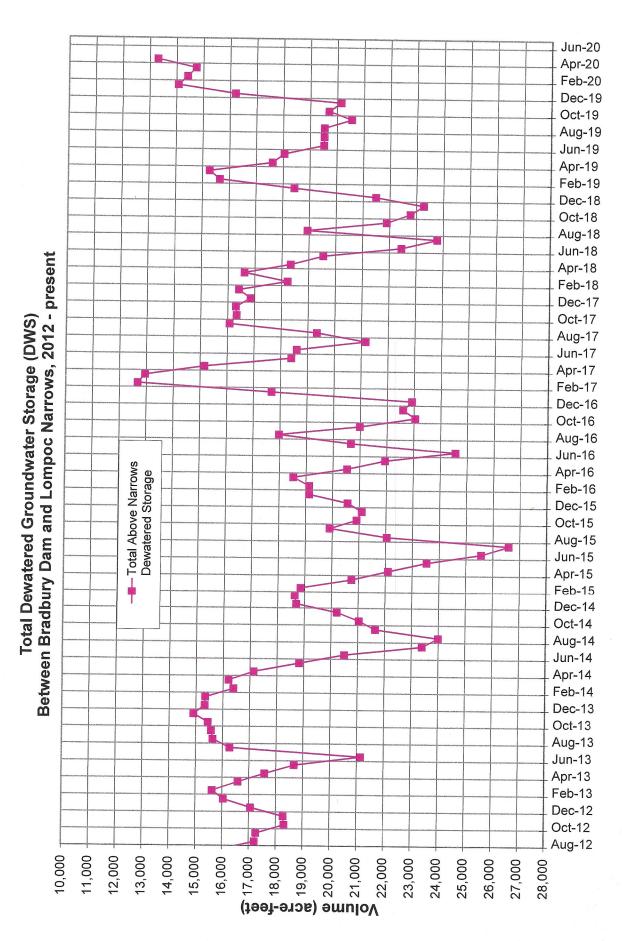
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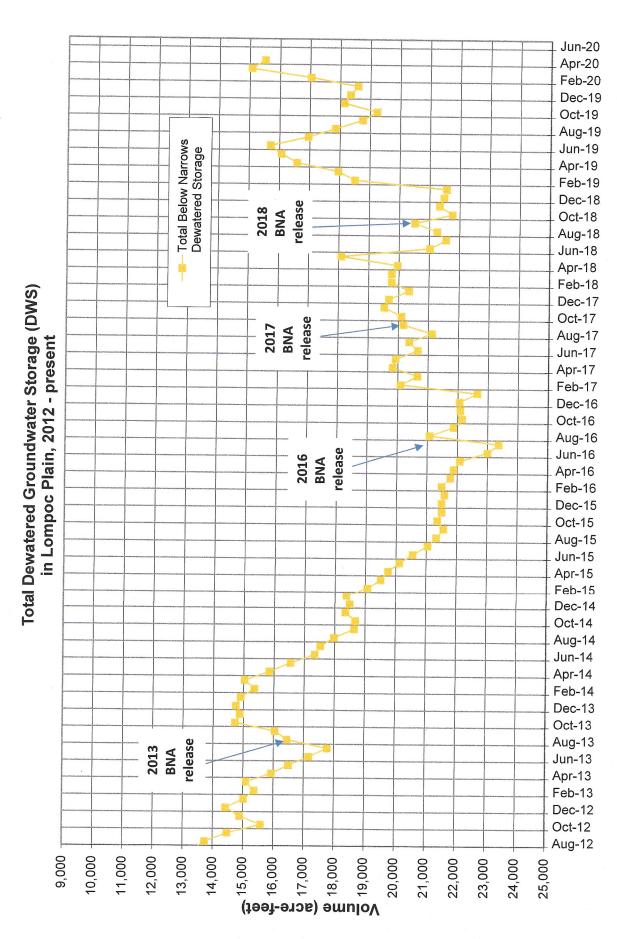
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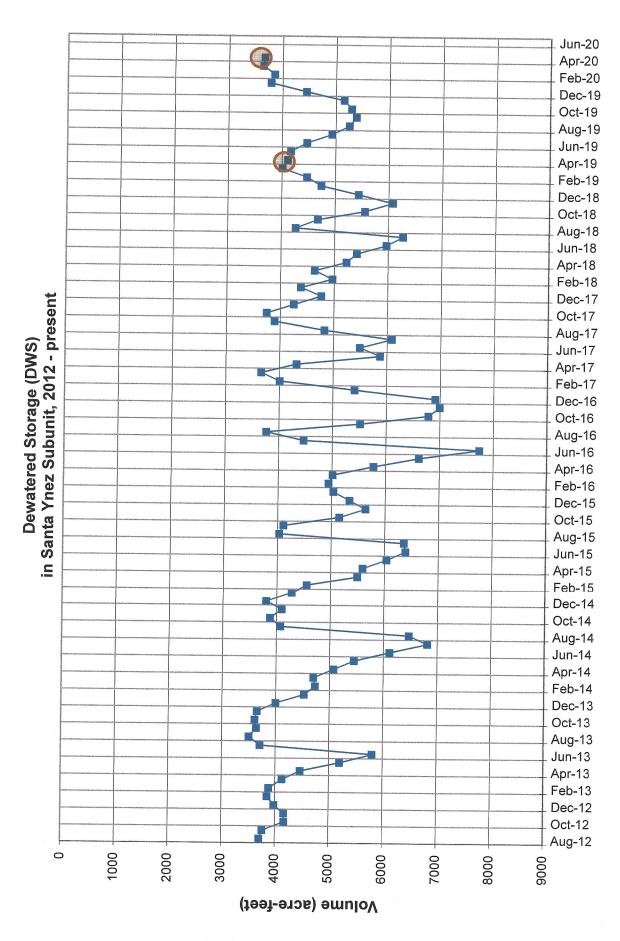
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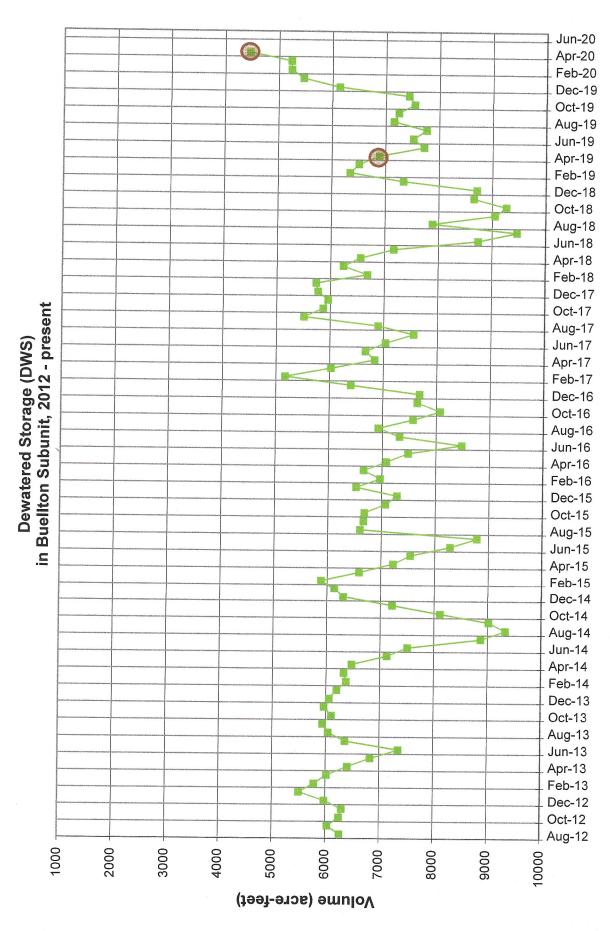
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	Computed Inflow	16892.1
Releases	1906.5 0.0 0.0	1906.5
Spills	0.0 0.0 0.0	0.0
	Total Downstream Releases	1906.5
Diversions	974.2 0.8 0.0	975.0
	Total Reservoir Outflows	2881.5
CCWA Inflow Releases Affecting Accounts Project Savings	34.5 0.0 1434.0	
ABOVE NARROWS ACCOUNT (ANA) Previous Months ANA	492.5	14738.0
ANA Dewatered Storage: Currer Previo Change Spills Reducing ANA	ous 14738.0 e -1434.0	
Current ANA	0.0	13304.0
BELOW NARROWS ACCOUNT (BNA) Previous Months BNA		6405.0
Measured Flow at Narrows Salsipuedes Creek Contribution Releases from BNA BNA Releases Reaching Narrows	6796.5 on 855.1 0.0	6405.0
Constructive Flow at Narrows Elevation of Indicator well of Percolation from Measured Flot Percolation from Constructive BNA Credit	DW 2182.7	
Spills Reaching Narrows BNA Dewatered Storage: Currer Previo Change Spills Reducing BNA	pus 15070.0	
Current BNA		7116 5
Notes: All values are in acre-feet unless otherwing Date of Report: 05/26/2020	se indicated.	7115.7

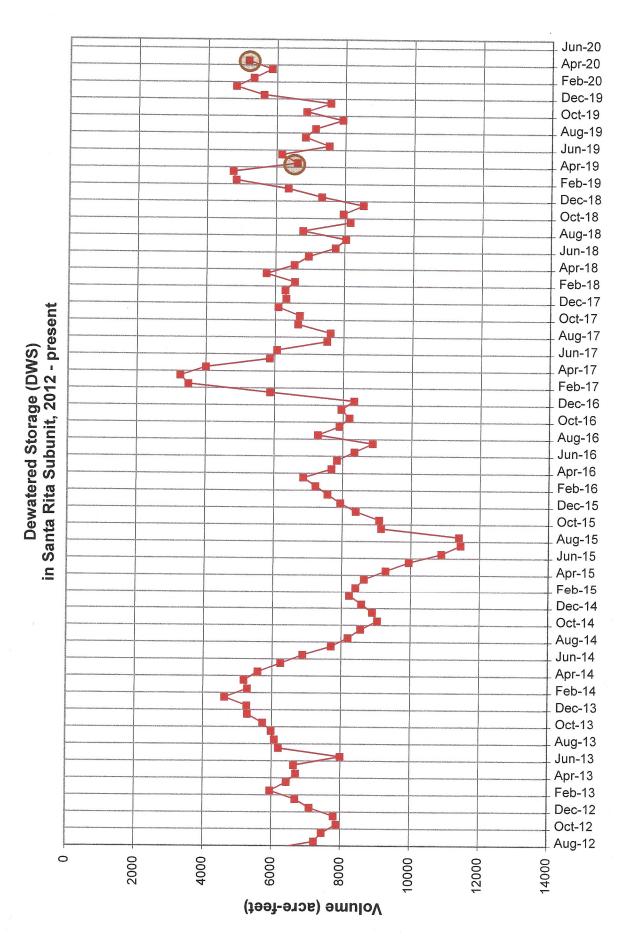
Notes: All values are in acre-feet unless otherwise indicated Date of Report: 05/26/2020 USING SAN LUCAS CREEK AS FIRST CHECKPOINT UPSTREAM OPERATIONS ADJUSTMENT ALL NEG OR ZERO













Santa Barbara County - Flood Control District

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Rainfall and Reservoir Summary

Updated 8am: 6/1/2020 Water Year: 2020 Storm Number: NA

Notes: Daily rainfall amounts are recorded as of 8am for the previous 24 hours. Rainfall units are expressed in inches. All data on this page are from automated sensors, are preliminary, and subject to verification.

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

County Real-Time Rainfall and Reservoir Website link

Rainfall	ID	24 hrs	Storm Oday(s)	Month	Year*	% to Date	% of Year*
Buellton (Fire Stn)	233	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.19	92%	91%
Cachuma Dam (USBR)	332	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.96	106%	106%
Carpinteria (Fire Stn)	208	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.94	75%	75%
Cuyama (Fire Stn)	436	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.75	117%	114%
Figueroa Mtn. (USFS Stn)	421	0.00	0.00	0.00	21.39	100%	100%
Gibraltar Dam (City Facility)	230	0.00	0.00	0.00	24.51	94%	93%
Goleta (Fire Stn-Los Carneros)	440	0.00	0.00	0.00	14.13	77%	77%
Lompoc (City Hall)	439	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.87	89%	88%
Los Alamos (Fire Stn)	204	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.09	99%	99%
San Marcos Pass (USFS Stn)	212	0.00	0.00	0.00	27.63	82%	81%
Santa Barbara (County Bldg)	234	0.00	0.00	0.00	16.31	89%	89%
Santa Maria (City Pub.Works)	380	0.00	0.00	0.00	11.30	85%	85%
Santa Ynez (Fire Stn /Airport)	218	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.11	96%	96%
Sisquoc (Fire Stn)	256	0.00	0.00	0.00	13.25	88%	87%
County-wide percentage of "	Norma	ıl-to-Dat	e" rainfal	1:		92%	
County-wide percentage of "	Norma	ıl Water-	Year" ra	infall :			91%
County-wide percentage of "Norm assuming no more rain through A	al Water aug. 31, 2	-Year" rair 2020 (End	nfall calculat of WY2020	ed).	6.0 and 6.1 - 9.0	below = Wet (min 0 = Moderate above = Dry (max	n. = 2.5)
Reservoirs	** Ho	Cachuma is for the la	ull and subject ke is surcharge	d to NGVD-29. to spilling at ele d to 753 ft. for fi ed on Dec 2013 (vation 750 ft.	er.	

Click on Site for Real-Time Readings	Spillway Elev. (ft)	Current Elev. (ft)	Max. Storage (ac-ft)	Current Storage (ac-ft)	Current Capacity (%)	Storage Change Mo.(ac-ft)	Storage Change Year*(ac-ft)
Gibraltar Reservoir	1,400.00	1,399.57	4,583	4,493	98.0%	0 .	1,954
Cachuma Reservoir	753.**	739.48	193,305	154,379	79.9%	0	6,373
Jameson Reservoir	2,224.00	2,223.64	4,848	4,804	99.1%	0	157
Twitchell Reservoir	651.50	545.21	194,971	5,058	2.6%	0	-13,748

Previous Rainfall and Reservoir Summaries

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

10 June 2020 DATE:

TO: Cynthia Allen Mark Altshuler **Art Hibbits** Brett Marymee Steve Jordan Steve Torigiani

> Kevin Walsh Amber Thompson

FROM: Bill Buelow, Groundwater Program Manager

SUBJECT: Groundwater Program Manager Report

AGENDA ITEM VII

A. **Groundwater Production, Reporting, and Charges**

1) Groundwater revenue for July 2019-December 2019 reporting period. The cumulative total of groundwater fees received from January 1, 2020 to June 3, 2020 is \$279,797.76.

Staff Recommendation: No action. This item is informational only.

2) Groundwater Mailing. Staff are currently working on the groundwater report mailing to be distributed by June 30, 2020.

Staff Recommendation: No action. This item is informational only.

3) Additional Contractor Support. Additional contract support has been added on a temporary part-time basis to help with data entry of historic groundwater The data is needed for the preparation of Groundwater Sustainability Plans. The additional support will also be used to follow-up with unregistered wells and delinquent accounts. It is estimated that the additional support will be needed for 10-15 hours per week for the next few months.

Staff Recommendation: No action. This item is informational only.

B. **SGMA**

1) Based on input from the public through the three Citizens Advisory Groups in the Basin, Staff directed consultants to prepare a quarterly newsletter for distribution to users of groundwater in the basin. Cooperating agencies will add the one-page Newsletter to their monthly water-bill mailings. The District will include the SGMA Quarterly Newsletter in the June 30, 2020 groundwater report mailings in lieu of the standard District Semi-Annual Newsletter.

Staff Recommendation: No action. This item is informational only.

2) Staff and Counsel are continuing to work on the contract for Ramboll and SkyTEM for the CMA and WMA airborne electromagnetic survey work. At its last Board meeting, the Board authorized the District or Stetson, on behalf of the District, to contract with Ramboll and SkyTEM. Based on subsequent feedback from Stetson, they are able to enter into a contract with Ramboll but not SkyTEM. It therefore appears that the District will need to contract directly with SkyTEM. Counsel is reviewing both contracts.SkyTEM

Staff Recommendation: No action. This item is informational only.

3) Additional Contractor Support. Additional contract support has been added on a temporary part-time basis to help with data entry of historic groundwater pumping data. The data is needed for the preparation of Groundwater Sustainability Plans. The additional support will also be used to follow-up with unregistered wells and delinquent accounts. It is estimated that the additional support will be needed for 10-15 hours per week for the next few months.

Staff Recommendation: No action. This item is informational only.

C. Letter to the Santa Barbara County Planning Commission

At the request of Director Hibbits, Staff prepared a letter to the Santa Barbara County Planning Commissioners to provide a comment on the Herbal Angels project proposed at the Avo Vista Farms property in Cebada Canyon. This property was formerly owned by Pence until May 2017.

The property was three periods behind in providing groundwater reports and pump-charge fees. The District requested that the County deny the permit or condition the approval of the permit and operation upon compliance will all rule and regulations of any County department, local agency, or other government entity pertaining to well registrations, fees or groundwater use reporting. A copy of the letter is attached.

The County Planning Commissioners voted to deny the permit. The District is now working with Staff from Avo Vista to get the property current on groundwater reporting.

Staff Recommendation: No action. This item is informational only.

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June 30, 2020

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WILLIAM J. BUELOW, PG

CONSULTANTS:

STEVE TORIGIANI General Counsel

STETSON ENGINEERS
Engineer

Reminder Regarding Reporting of Irrigation Water

Groundwater producers in the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District (SYRWCD) are required to report pumping and pay groundwater charges. (California Water Code Section 75500 et seq.) These monies are used to preserve, protect, and defend the rights of all groundwater users in the District. Groundwater pumping is reported and charged by water type: Agricultural, Special Irrigation, and Other Water (Non-Ag). This letter is a reminder regarding the reporting of Irrigation Water.

The category of "Agricultural Water" (Ag Irrigation) is <u>only</u> for "water first used on lands in the **production of plant crops or livestock for market.**" It <u>would not include</u> water used for non-market animals or crops, agricultural processing facilities, packing houses, warehouses, residential units, worker housing, tasting rooms, shops, etc. Those types of uses would be reported as Other Water (Non-Ag).

The category "Special Irrigation" is <u>strictly limited</u> to the irrigation portion of the water used on "parks, golf courses, schools, cemeteries, and publicly owned historical sites". It <u>would not include</u> water used for toilets, locker room showers, swimming pools, cafeteria and snack bar kitchen and dishwashing, laboratories, shop areas, bus washing, theatre and events centers, administrative offices, etc. Those types of uses would be reported as Other Water (Non-Ag).

If a well or water meter is primarily serving either "Agricultural Water" or "Special Irrigation", and there are other uses in addition to irrigation, then the amount of water for those other uses must be reported as "Other Water (Non-Ag). The District may request the method(s) used to determine how the "Other Water (Non-Ag)" was calculated. For properties with uses in more than one category, the District suggests a separate irrigation meter(s), where the irrigation meter is strictly used only for irrigation purposes.

For questions, please contact us at 805-693-1156. Thank you for your past cooperation in helping us to be accurate and to preserve your water rights.

Santa Ynez River Valley Groundwater Basin

Sustainable Groundwater Management Quarterly Newsletter No. 1 May 2020

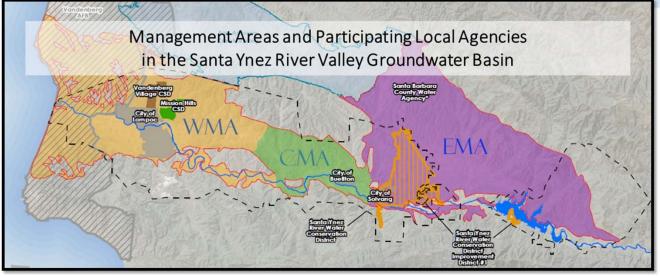
The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), signed into law by Governor Jerry Brown in 2014, created a new framework for groundwater management in California. SGMA established a new structure for local groundwater management through Groundwater Sustainable Agencies (GSAs).

The Santa Ynez River Valley Groundwater Basin (SYRVGB) has established the following three management areas each with their own GSA Committee comprised of local officials from Participating Agencies:

- Western Management Area (WMA) GSA Committee
 - Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District City of Lompoc
 - Mission Hills CSD Vandenberg Village CSD Santa Barbara County Water Agency
- Central Management Area (CMA) GSA Committee
 - Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District City of Buellton
 - Santa Barbara County Water Agency
- Eastern Management Area (EMA) GSA Committee
 - Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District
 Santa Barbara County Water Agency
 - Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1
 - City of Solvang

Groundwater Sustainability Plan Development Milestones





Each GSA Committee is required to prepare its own Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) that will describe the path to groundwater sustainability.

All three GSPs will be completed in early 2022. Progress updates will be given in each quarterly GSA Committee meeting and draft documents will be available for public review and comment on a dedicated website.

Participation by members of the community in developing the GSPs is important and each of the GSA Committees has adopted an outreach and engagement plan to guide the public participation process.

For more information, please visit:

www.SantaYnezWater.org

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May 21, 2020

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Santa Barbara County Planning Commission Mr. David Villalobos, Board Assistant Supervisor 123 East Anapamu Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Re: Proposed Herbal Angels Cannabis Cultivation Project 2761 Cebada Canyon Road, (APN) 099-090-006, Lompoc, CA Case Nos. 18CUP-00000-00032, 18DVP-00000-00009, & 19CUP-00000-00035

This letter is to communicate our concerns regarding groundwater use and reporting for the subject property. The County of Santa Barbara (County), through an action of the Board of Supervisors, is actively participating in and has pledged \$1 million to a basin-wide effort to comply with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). In a joint cooperative effort, the County, the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District (District), three cities, and three other water agencies are preparing Groundwater Sustainability Plans which will avoid undesirable results from groundwater pumping, including declining water levels and the degradation of water quality

The current owner of the subject site is the Avo Vista Farms LLC, with Mr. Eli Sheiman, Chief Operating Officer, as the point of contact. Since June 2018, Avo Vista Farms has not submitted a report of groundwater pumping or paid associated ground water pump-charge fees (pursuant to the Water Conservation District Law of 1931 (Water Code § 74000 et seq.)). The District's attempts to contact Mr. Sheiman by US Mail and electronic mail have been unanswered.

The collection of pumping data is necessary to ensure that the SGMA process for the entire Santa Ynez River Valley Groundwater Basin is accurate, equitable to all, and protects valuable groundwater supplies. As you are aware, there is a valid concern about the rapidly expanding groundwater usage in the Cebada Canyon area and whether such use is sustainable on a long-term basis.

We request that the County either:

- Deny this permit or
- Condition the approval of this permit and operation upon compliance with all rules and regulations of any County department, local agency, or other government entity pertaining to well registrations, fees, or groundwater use reporting.

Thank you for your time and consideration of the District's comments and requests. We are available to discuss this further.

Sincerely,

SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

William J. Buelow

Groundwater Program Manager

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cc: Larry Ferini, Planning Commissioner, Santa Barbara County 4th District John Parke, Planning Commissioner, Santa Barbara County 3rd District Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

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Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission

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May 7, 2020

TO: Santa Barbara County Independent Special Districts

Subject: Notice of Results for the Regular and Alternate Special District Member Elections

The deadline for filing election ballots for the Regular and Alternate Special District Members to Santa Barbara LAFCO ended at 5:00 PM on Monday, May 4, 2020. There was a total of 25 eligible Independent Special Districts that filed ballots by the deadline.

The results of the mailed ballot elections are attached in **Exhibit A**.

The results are as follows:

LAFCO Regular Special District Member Votes (25 Votes Total):

22 Votes Craig Geyer – Goleta West Sanitary District

3 Votes Karen Jones – Santa Ynez Community Services District

LAFCO Alternate Special District Member Votes (24 Votes Total):

20 Votes
4 Votes
Cindy Allen – Santa Ynez Rive Water Conservation District
Karen Jones – Santa Ynez Community Services District

By virtue of receiving the majority of the votes cast, Craig Geyer was elected as the Regular Special District Member of the Commission and Cindy Allen as the Alternate Special District Member of the Commission with terms to expire on March 1, 2024.

Please contact the LAFCO office should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Paul Hood, Executive Officer

By Jacquelyne Alexander, Commission Clerk

cc: LAFCO Commissioners

Independent Special District	Alternate Special District Member	Regular Special District Member
Cachuma Resource Conservation District	None	Craig Geyer
Carpinteria Cemetery District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Carpinteria Sanitary District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Carpinteria/Summerland Fire Protection District		
Carpinteria Valley Water District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Casmalia Community Services District		
Cuyama Community Services District		
Cuyama Valley Recreation and Park District		
Cuyama Basin Water District	Karen Jones	Karen Jones
Embarcadero Municipal Improvement District		
Goleta Cemetery District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Goleta Sanitary District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Goleta Water District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Goleta West Sanitary District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Guadalupe Cemetery District		
Isla Vista Recreation and Park District		
Isla Vista Community Services District		
Lompoc Cemetery District	Karen Jones	Craig Geyer
Lompoc Valley Medical Center	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Los Alamos Cemetery District		
Los Alamos Community Services District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Los Olivos Community Services District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Mission Hills Community Services District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Montecito Fire Protection District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Montecito Sanitary District		
Montecito Water District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Mosquito and Vector Management District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Oak Hill Cemetery District	Karen Jones	Karen Jones
Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Santa Maria Public Airport District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Santa Maria Cemetery District		
Santa Maria Valley Water Conservation District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Santa Rita Hills Community Services District		
Santa Ynez Community Services District	Karen Jones	Karen Jones
Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Santa Ynez River Water Conservation, Improvement District # 1		
Summerland Sanitary District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Vandenberg Village Community Services District	Cindy Allen	Craig Geyer
Total Votes		24 25