### FOX CANYON GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY A STATE OF CALIFORNIA WATER AGENCY



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### NOTICE OF MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (FCGMA) will hold an **Executive Committee Meeting** from **3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** on **Tuesday, January 21, 2014** in the **Atlantic Conference Room**, **Main Plaza Level** of the Ventura County Government Center, Hall of Administration Building, at **800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, California**.

#### FCGMA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA January 21, 2014

- Members: Chair Lynn Maulhardt Co-Chair Charlotte Craven
- A. Call to Order
- B. Introductions
- C. Public Comment Audience members may speak about FCGMA-related matters not on today's Agenda.
- **D. Minutes** Approve the minutes from the November 15, 2013 Executive Committee meeting.
- E. Application for Well Permit, Carmichael Property Discuss application and information received by applicant, and discuss Policy Implications by this request. Provide feedback and direction.
- F. Conejo Creek Project, Proposed Agreement Between Pleasant Valley (PV) County and Camrosa Water Districts and Consideration of a FCGMA Resolution to Provide Credits Discuss request by PV and Camrosa for approval by the FCGMA for credits to support the proposed Agreement to supply diverted Conejo Creek water. Provide feedback and direction.
- **G.** Adjourn the Executive Committee Meeting Adjourn until the next Executive Committee meeting, to be scheduled at a later date.

#### <u>NOTICES</u>

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<u>Administrative Record</u>: Material presented as part of testimony will be made part of the Agency's record, and 10 copies should be left with the Board Clerk. This includes any photographs, slides, charts, diagrams, etc.

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#### MINUTES

Minutes of the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency's (FCGMA) Executive Committee meeting held **Friday, November 15, 2013** in the PWA Conference Room 346 at the Ventura County Government Center, Hall of Administration, 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, California.

- A. <u>Call to Order</u> The meeting commenced at 2:00 p.m.
- B. <u>Introductions</u> In attendance were: (1) Lynn Maulhardt, FCGMA Executive Committee Chair; (2) Charlotte Craven, FCGMA Executive Committee Co-Chair; (3) Gerhardt Hubner, WPD, Deputy Director; (4) Kathleen Riedel, Groundwater Specialist; (5) Jessica Rivera, FCGMA Interim Clerk of the Board; (6) Sol Chooljian, Crestview Mutual Water Company (CMWC); (7) Phil McCall, Solano Verde; (8) Robert Eranio, Crestview Mutual Water Company (CMWC) and Las Posas Users Group (LPUG); (9) Bryan Bondy, Calleguas Municipal Water District (CMWD); (10) Ian Prichard, Camrosa Water District; (11) Chris Laber, Numeric Solutions and CMWC; (12) Daryl Smith, grower; (13) Carol Schoen, Zone Mutual Water Company (ZONE); (14) Lucie McGovern, City of Camarillo; and (15) Frank Brommenschenkel.
- C. <u>Public Comments</u> Ms. Lucie McGovern, City of Camarillo, commented the City of Camarillo had met with FCGMA staff and finalized comments regarding the City of Camarillo's Northern Pleasant Valley Desalter Groundwater Study. She requested the Agency schedule a technical review of the project to determine if there were any policy implications.
- D. <u>Meeting Minutes</u> The Executive Committee approved the minutes from the October 11, 2013 meeting.

### E. Solano Verde Mutual Water Company Application for Transfer of Historic Allocation

Ms. Kathleen Riedel, Groundwater Specialist, provided a presentation reviewing: (1) the historical allocation (HA) transfer request; (2) applicable Ordinance Code sections: (3) policy implications; (4) background of both Solano Verde Mutual Water Company (SVMWC) and Crestview Mutual Water Company (CMWC); (5) the Numeric Solutions, LLC report submitted to Agency staff by CMWC; and (6) water quality and groundwater levels within the subject areas. She concluded her presentation by providing the following options for the Committee to consider recommending to the Board:

- Permanently grant the HA transfer as requested.
- Conditionally grant the HA transfer to CMWC, but require that at the time of transfer, the HA per acre be recorded for the Solano customers, and provided back to them from CMWC if they install a private well.
- Do not grant the HA transfer, but require the remaining HA to be assigned to the water purveyor which provides water to the Solano customers, where it could be prorated

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back if they install a private well and/or decrease the fees charged for the water that the customers are provided.

- Do not grant the HA transfer; or
- Grant the HA transfer with the condition that an efficiency allocation is not available to parcels once served by SVMWC.

Mr. Robert Eranio, CMWC and Chair of LPUG, provided a brief presentation reviewing: (1) timeline of actions; (2) the applicable Ordinance Code section: (3) Agency staff concerns specific to CMWC, as well as SVMWC; and (4) stakeholder input from LPUG, United Water Conservation District, and Calleguas Municipal Water District. He provided closing thoughts and concluded his presentation by requesting the Executive Committee place the item on the December 4, 2013 FCGMA Board agenda, with a recommendation to approve.

Discussions ensued regarding water levels and concerns that if this were approved, it would set precedence for future transfer requests. Chair Maulhardt commented he leaned towards the Agency's Option No. 5. Co-Chair Craven inquired if the transfer could be granted with a clear condition that it is in perpetuity and binding on any mutual or successor, and Mr. Gerhardt Hubner, WPD, Deputy Director, responded he would confer with Agency Counsel. Both Committee members agreed they would like to have Agency Counsel's opinion concerning the language for the conditions.

The Committee directed Agency staff to place the item on the December 4, 2013 regular FCGMA Board meeting agenda for further review. In addition, the Committee stated their current recommendation was to proceed with Option No. 5; however, they would like the legal aspect answered prior to the Board meeting, and noted they reserved the right to change their recommendation at the Board meeting based upon any further information received.

#### F. <u>Consider Zone Mutual Water Company's Proposed Changes to the FCGMA Well Permitting</u> <u>Procedure</u>

Ms. Carol Schoen, Zone Mutual Water Company (ZONE), provided background surrounding the creation of the questionnaire, noting she had created the questionnaire solely as an interested party. She continued no Board had reviewed or approved the questionnaire, and ZONE was not proposing any changes at this time.

Ms. Kathleen Riedel, Groundwater Specialist, began her presentation stating that at the October 11, 2013 Executive Committee meeting, the Committee concurred with Agency staff to not proceed with an Ordinance Code change as proposed by LPUG. She noted in follow-up, Ms. Schoen had proposed an alternative: the adoption and use of a questionnaire which would be submitted when one applied for a new well within the Las Posas basins. Ms. Riedel provided an overview of the proposed form and proceeded to review Agency staff's recommended changes of the form. Chair Maulhardt commented he liked the idea of adding this supplemental questionnaire to the well permitting process, and agreed with Agency staff's recommended changes.

Discussions ensued concerning what the process would be if the parties of the transfer were not able to reach a decision. Chair Maulhardt stated both parties would need to agree on a transfer. He continued any transfer where both parties had reached an agreement would be brought before the Board with staff's recommendation of approval. In addition, those where an agreement could not be reached would need to be brought before the Board for additional review. He concluded that the process would be readdressed should there be issues concerning the amount of disagreements being heard by the Board. FCGMA Executive Committee Meeting Minutes November 15, 2013 Page 3 of 3

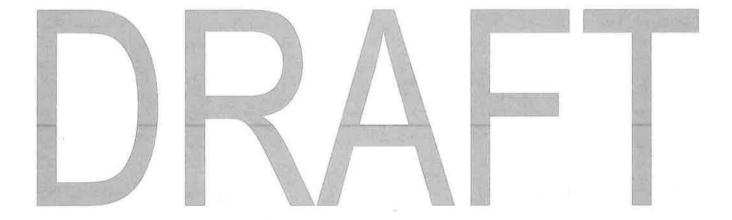
The Committee recommended staff proceed with the questionnaire form, with changes as presented by Agency staff.

#### G. Adjourn the Executive Committee Meeting

Chair Maulhardt adjourned the Executive Committee meeting at 3:40 p.m.

Submitted by:

Jessica L. Rivera FCGMA Interim Clerk of the Board



### Executive Committee Meeting January 21, 2014

### SUBJECT: Well Application – Glen and Kim Carmichael

#### Introduction:

On September 10, 2013, Glen and Kim Carmichael submitted a well application to the Agency for a water supply well within the Agency boundary. The purpose of the well is to provide groundwater to areas within and outside of the Agency boundary. The groundwater is to be extracted from the West Las Posas Basin. Traditionally the property has been supplied with groundwater by Del Norte Mutual Water Company (MWC) starting prior to 1985. The proposed well would allow for replacement or augmentation of the current water supply, and also allow for additional acres to be brought into production.

Approximately 61.25 acres were irrigated in 1989. The applicant proposes to increase the irrigated acreage from that irrigated in 1989 (approximately 61 acres) by an additional 163.75 acres (total of 225 acres). Proposed total water usage is 450 acre-feet per year.

### **Policy Implications:**

- 1. Specifically in the case of new well permits, should the Agency allow farming in the aquifer outcrop using water supply from new wells and if so, under what certain circumstances?
- 2. Specifically in the case of new well permits, should landowners be allowed to expand water use in the Expansion area, and what should be the requirements for allowing it (i.e. paying the surcharge rate)?

#### Specific Details of Well Permit Request:

Glen and Kimberly Carmichael filed a request for a well permit in the West Las Posas Basin, proposed monitor only area. The Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (FCGMA) well application was received on September 10, 2013, with additional information provided on September 17, 2013. The well is to be located along the southern edge of parcel APN 107-0-0130-255, which has a site address known as 67 East La Loma Avenue in Somis, California. The proposed drill site is indicated on the submitted Well Location Map (Attachment 1- Well Permit Application). Per the application, groundwater is to be extracted to irrigate a total of 225 acres (100 acres of avocado trees, 75 acres of lemon trees and 50 acres of hay) on parcels APNs 107-0-130-255 (300.00 acres), 107-0-130-205 (40.10 acres), 107-0-130-135 (51.16 acres), 107-0-100-070 (80.00 acres), 107-0-100-105 (59.92 acres). Approximately 26 acres of the 225 acres to be irrigated is within the Agency boundary. The remaining 199 acres of the 225 acres to be irrigated is within the Expansion Area.

### **Discussion (including Background):**

This well permit application is unusual in that it both proposes to irrigate previously un-irrigated acreage within the Lower Aquifer Outcrop area. It also proposes to irrigate outside of the Agency Boundary. Each of these areas contain acreage currently irrigated by Del Norte Mutual Water Company.

- Permitting wells for irrigation of acreage <u>within the Agency boundary</u> is fairly straight forward.
- Permitting wells that are to irrigate the Lower Aquifer Outcrop Zone (outcrop) is more complex and can be controversial. The Ordinance Code has language regarding protection of the aquifer outcrop.
- Permitting wells to irrigate lands outside the Agency boundary, in land referred to as the Expansion Area, is also complex.
- "Grandfathered" areas (include farming in both the outcrop and the expansion area) appear to be limited to areas irrigated up through 1988. Per the Ordinance Code, the overall acreage of these areas is not to expand. Data show this has occurred in some cases and a review of aerial photographs indicates that current farming exceeds the initial grandfathered area (approximately 61 acres) by 35 acres (96 acres).
- This proposed well permit would allow for export of water from within the Agency Boundary to outside the Agency Boundary. Section 5.2.2. of the Ordinance Code has special considerations, and would require the Board approval for the well permit.

Some expansion of farming has occurred since 1988 beyond what appears to have been grandfathered. Staff do not have an official Agency map recording the grandfathered areas, but base this on our interpretation of plantings that existed in 1989 (per aerial photograph). If so directed by your committee, staff can further investigate. This application proposes further expandsion of farming outside of the grandfathered area. Approximately 128.4 acres of additional farming is now proposed.

A detailed breakdown of acreage based on two aerial photo sets and GIS measurement is listed below.

Below are a series of tables with data. The "Analysis of Current and Proposed Acreage" is a data table describing proposed changes in acreage and its location. The "Threshold Questions" table contains questions which staff feels need to be answered before it continues with evaluating the well permit. The "Important Considerations and Required Additional Evaluation" contains important issues for the Agency and is a "look ahead" of what will happen next if the Agency continued its review.

Analysis of Current and Proposed Acreage			
Location	2012 acreage	Proposed additional increase in irrigated acres	Proposed total acres as part of well permit
Inside Agency Boundary but Outside Outcrop Area	4	0	4
Inside Agency Boundary, but within the Outcrop Area	7.60	17.75	22
Outside the Agency Boundary, but within the Expansion Area	85	146	199

Total irrigated	96.6	163.75	225

Threshold Questions		
Acres and Location	Ordinance Code	Other Considerations
	considerations	
0 acres are proposed	No change	Not applicable
Inside Agency	proposed- not	
Boundary but Outside	applicable	
Outcrop Area		
17.5 acres are	4.2.1.3.1. Outcrop is	Is any new farming permitted in the
proposed	not exposed to	Outcrop? If so, what evaluation is
Inside Agency	potential	required?
Boundary, but within	degradation of water	
the Outcrop Area	quality	In the past, Agency staff have told well permit
		applicants that farming in the outcrop is not
	4.2.1.3.2. Recharge	allowed. In recent years, some well permits
	from the outcrop is	were allowed to move forward.
	not diminished.	
146 acres are	4.2.1.3.3. Neither	Is any new irrigation allowed? If so, what
proposed	baseline nor	are the requirements?
Outside the Agency	efficiency will be	
Boundary, but within	used, directly or	If a well permit were granted, because Mr.
the Expansion Area	indirectly, to support	Carmichael does not have wells with any
	groundwater use in	allocation it appears he would have to pay
	the Expansion	the surcharge rate for water. Resolution
	Area	2013-03 indicates the Tier III surcharge rate
		(\$2,065/acre foot) would be due. The
		proposed water use in this area is estimated
		at 2 acre feet per acre, or 292 af/year. The
		surcharge is estimated at \$602,980 per year.

Important Considerations and Required Additional Evaluation			
Considerations	Ordinance Code considerations	Other Considerations	
General Considerations	<b>4.2.1.2.7.</b> – Permit application review is to consider an analysis of potential impacts on the water balance and water quality.	If the Agency determines the permit review can go forward, this evaluation would then need to be made. In the vicinity of this proposed well permit, water levels are not clearly depressed below sea level like in the southern and eastern part of the basin.	
	<b>4.2.1.3.5.</b> WLP Basin, the proposed extractions are not to interfere with attainment of basin management objectives		

	or implementation of groundwater management strategies.	(TDS). The source of the TDS includes pumping- induced recharge from the Oxnard Forebay and Oxnard Plain Basin.
Export Issue- 146 acres in the Expansion Area	<b>5.2.2.1.</b> Permitting of direct or indirect export of groundwater extracted from within the Agency Boundary for use outside the Agency Boundary must be approved by the Board.	Approving this well permit proposal would cause export of groundwater. Your Board would be required to approve the permit.
	<b>5.2.2.3.7.</b> Analysis of the potential impacts on the water balance in WLP Basin.	The 2012 reported 2012 WLP basin extractions are 13,748.120 acre feet. The proposed increased is approximately 3% higher. Additional staff analysis would be necessary.
	<ul> <li>5.2.2.4. Findings - The Board may approve the proposed use if, after a public hearing, it finds that the proposed use will result in <u>no net detriment</u> to the Basin, or any subbasin, or aquifer associated with the use, by determining that:</li> <li>5.2.2.4.1. The proposed use</li> </ul>	Section 5.2.2.4.1. and 5.2.2.4.2. are similar or related to: 4.2.1.3.1. 4.2.1.3.2. <i>4.2.1.2.7.</i> 4.2.1.3.5.
	<ul> <li>does not result in the material degradation of water quality of any type.</li> <li>5.2.2.4.2. Recharge to any aquifer within the agency is not materially diminished.</li> </ul>	

### Conclusion:

A number of concerns have been identified. We are looking for direction on whether to proceed with reviewing the application in more detail, or denying the application.

#### **Applicable Ordinance Code Sections:**

#### Section 4.2.1 Extraction Facility Permits.

**Section 4.2.1.1.** Permit Required - Prior to either: (a) initiating any new or increased use of groundwater in the Expansion area, obtained from any source within the Agency, including the Expansion area or (b) constructing a new or replacement extraction facility in the Las Posas Basin Management Area, or the Expansion area, a permit must be obtained from the Agency as provided in this Chapter. For the purpose of this Chapter, a new or increased use is that which did not exist or occur before June 30, 1988.

**Section 4.2.1.2.** Permit Application - Application shall be made in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 2.1.1 and shall include all information required by the County Well Ordinance and the following:

**Section 4.2.1.2.6.** An identification of the source of historical allocation to supply the proposed water use by the well.

**Section 4.2.1.2.7.** An analysis of the potential impacts on the water balance and water quality in the Las Posas Basin Management Area resulting from the proposed use(s).

**Section 4.2.1.3.** Findings - A permit may only be granted if the Executive Officer finds that the proposed groundwater use will result in no net detriment to the Las Posas Basin Management Area by determining that:

**Section 4.2.1.3.1.** The Las Posas outcrop is not exposed to potential degradation of water quality of any type.

**Section 4.2.1.3.2.** Recharge to the Las Posas Basin Management Area from the Las Posas outcrop is not diminished.

**Section 4.2.1.3.3.** Neither baseline nor efficiency allocation will be used, directly or indirectly, to support groundwater use on the Expansion Area (an example of indirect use is using efficiency to supply a demand inside the Agency and using the replaced historical allocation on the outcrop).

**Section 4.2.1.3.5.** [Operative Until Adoption of the Las Posas Basin-Specific Groundwater Management Plan] For extraction facilities located in the West Las Posas Basin, the proposed extraction will not interfere with attainment of basin management objectives or implementation of groundwater management strategies for the West Las Posas Basin identified in the Groundwater Management Plan, including, but not limited to, efforts to stabilize or raise groundwater elevations in the pumping depression identified in the Groundwater Plan.

**Section 5.2.2.** General Limitations: Special Board Approval Requirements - Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Ordinance Code, the following uses of water resources associated with the aquifers within the Agency may only be undertaken with prior Board approval of and subject to the conditions and restrictions established by the Board.

**Section 5.2.2.1.** Direct or indirect export of groundwater extracted from within the Agency Boundary for use outside the Agency Boundary.

**Section 5.2.2.3.** Application to the Board - To obtain the approval of the Board for any use provided in Sections 5.2.2.1 and 5.2.2.2, application shall be made to the Agency describing the details of the proposed use, including all the following information:

**Section 5.2.2.3.7.** An analysis of the potential impacts on the water balance in any Basin or Subbasin within the Agency Boundaries resulting from the proposed use(s).

**Section 5.2.2.4.** Findings - The Board may approve the proposed use if, after a public hearing, it finds that the proposed use will result in no net detriment to the Basin, or any subbasin, or aquifer associated with the use, by determining that:

**Section 5.2.2.4.1.** The proposed use does not result in the material degradation of water quality of any type, or

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# Application for Well Permit, Carmichael Property

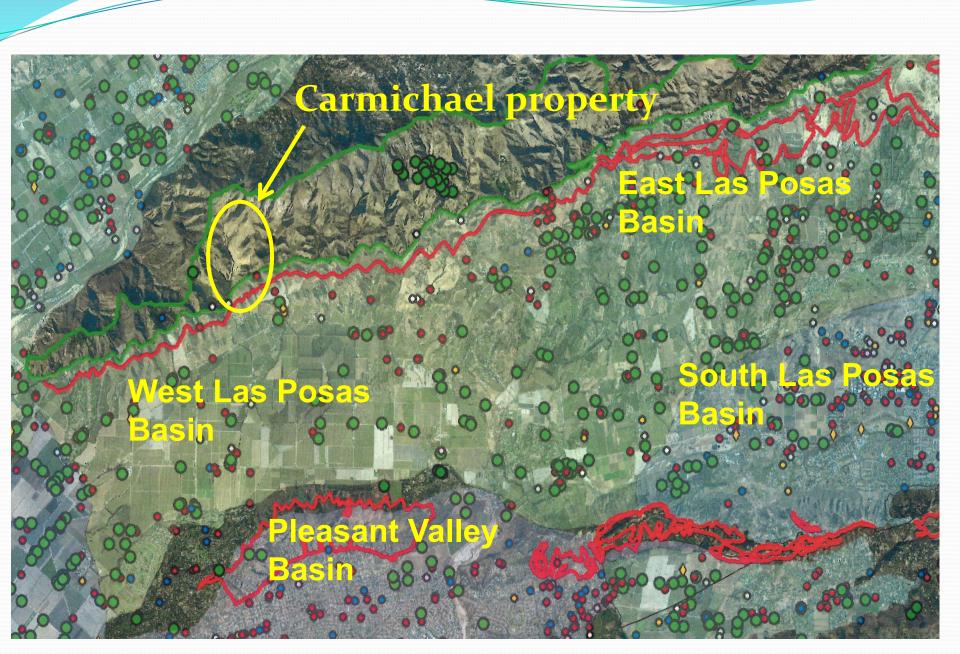


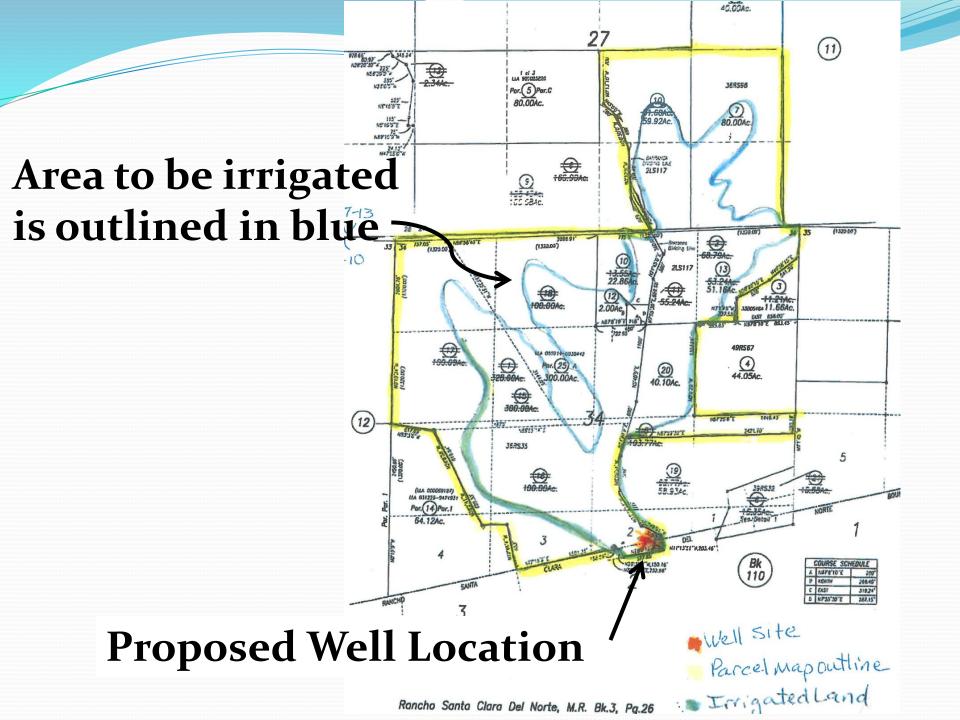
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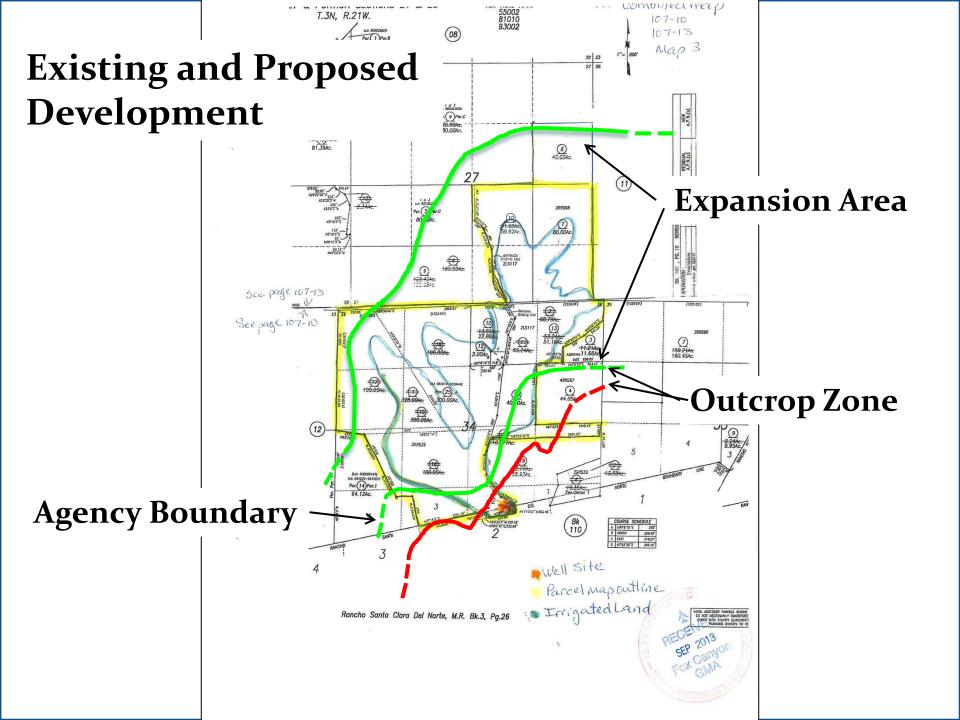
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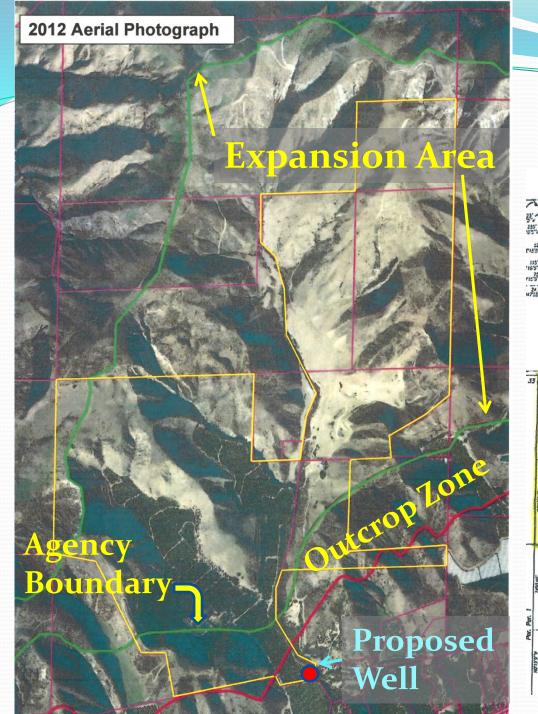
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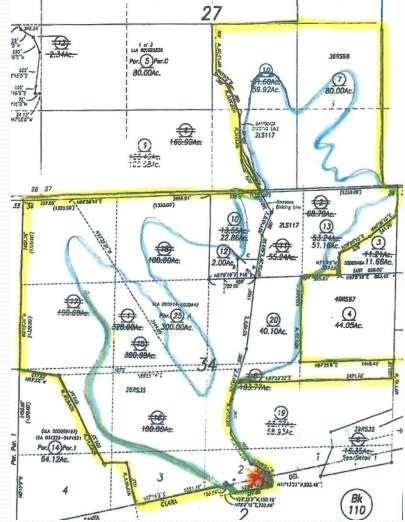








### Existing and Proposed Development



### Photograph taken May 23, 1989

(Flight: PW VEN 7-150)

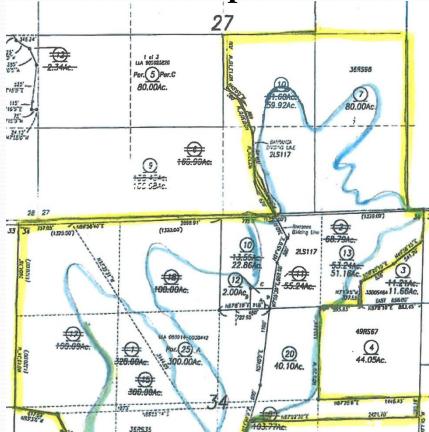
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### Expansion Area

### Existing and Proposed Development



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**Outcrop Zone** 

# Discussion

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2012 Aerial Photograph

### Del Norte Mutual Water Company Service Area

Expansion Area

# Discussion

- This well application is unusual in that it proposes:
- 1. Irrigating grandfathered acreage and new acreage in the Outcrop Area;
- 2. Irrigating grandfathered acreage, and new acreage both inside and outside the Del Norte Mutual Water Company service area, in the Expansion Area.

# **Threshold Questions – Outcrop**

### Ordinance Code Considerations

- **4.2.1.3.1.** Outcrop is not exposed to potential degradation of water quality...
- **4.2.1.3.2.** Recharge from the outcrop is not diminished..

**Other Considerations** 

- Is any new farming permitted in the Outcrop? If so, what evaluation is required?
- In the past, Agency staff have told well permit applicants that farming in the outcrop is not allowed. In recent years, some well permits were allowed to move forward.

## **Threshold Questions – Expansion Area**

### Ordinance Code Considerations

• 4.2.1.3.3. Neither baseline nor efficiency will be used, directly or indirectly, to support groundwater use in the Expansion Area.. **Other Considerations** 

- Is any new irrigation allowed? If so, what are the requirements?
- If a well permit were granted, it appears Mr. Carmichael would have to pay the surcharge rate for water. Resolution 2013-03 indicates the Tier III surcharge rate (\$2,065/acre foot) would be due. The surcharge is estimated at \$602,980 per year.

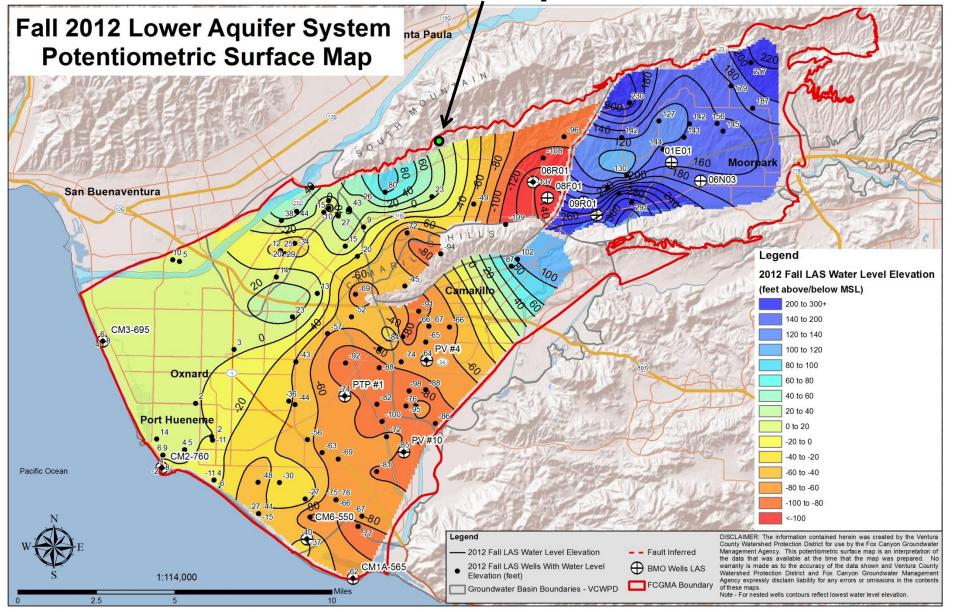
### **Ordinance** Code

**4.2.1.2.7.** – Permit application review is to consider an analysis of potential impacts on the water balance and water quality.

### Other

 If the Agency determines the permit review can go forward, this evaluation would then need to be made.

### **Proposed well location**



**Ordinance** Code 4.2.1.3.5. WLP Basin, ..the proposed extraction will not to interfere with attainment of basin management objectives or implementation of groundwater management strategies

## Other

 Water quality samples collected in much of the West Las Posas basin exceed the BMO for total dissolved solids (TDS). The source of the TDS includes pumpinginduced recharge from the **Oxnard Forebay and Oxnard** Plain Basin.

 Additional staff analysis would be necessary.

### **Ordinance Code**

**5.2.2.1.** Permitting of *direct or indirect export of groundwater extracted from within the Agency Boundary for use outside the Agency Boundary must be approved by the* Board.

## Other

 Approving this well permit proposal would cause export of groundwater. Your Board would be required to approve the permit.

### Ordinance Code

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## Other

- The 2012 reported 2012 WLP basin extractions are 13,748.120 acre feet. The proposed increased is approximately 3% higher.
- Additional staff analysis would be necessary.

### **Ordinance Code Considerations**

- 5.2.2.4. Findings The Board may approve the proposed use if, after a public hearing, it finds that the proposed use will result in no net detriment to the Basin, or any subbasin, or aquifer associated with the use, by determining that:
- 5.2.2.4.1. The proposed use does not result in the material degradation of water quality of any type, or
- **5.2.2.4.2.** Recharge to any aquifer within the agency is not materially diminished.

Other Considerations

- Section 5.2.2.4.1. and 5.2.2.4.2. are similar or related to:
- 4.2.1.3.1.
- 4.2.1.3.2.
- 4.2.1.2.7.
- 4.2.1.3.5.

# Conclusion

## • A number of concerns have been identified.

## • Policy Implications:

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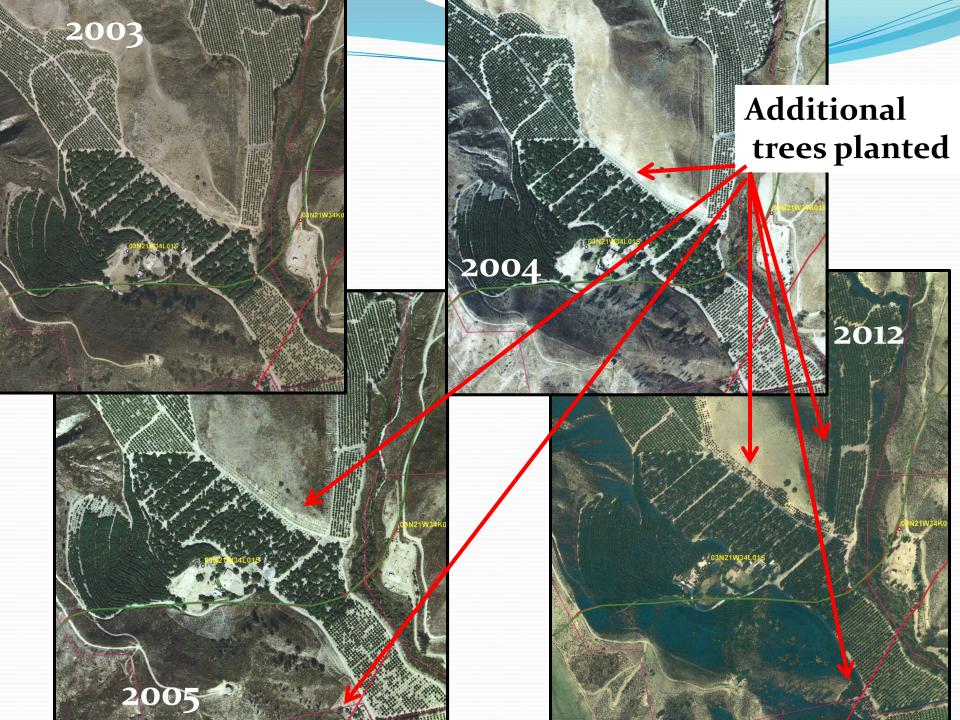
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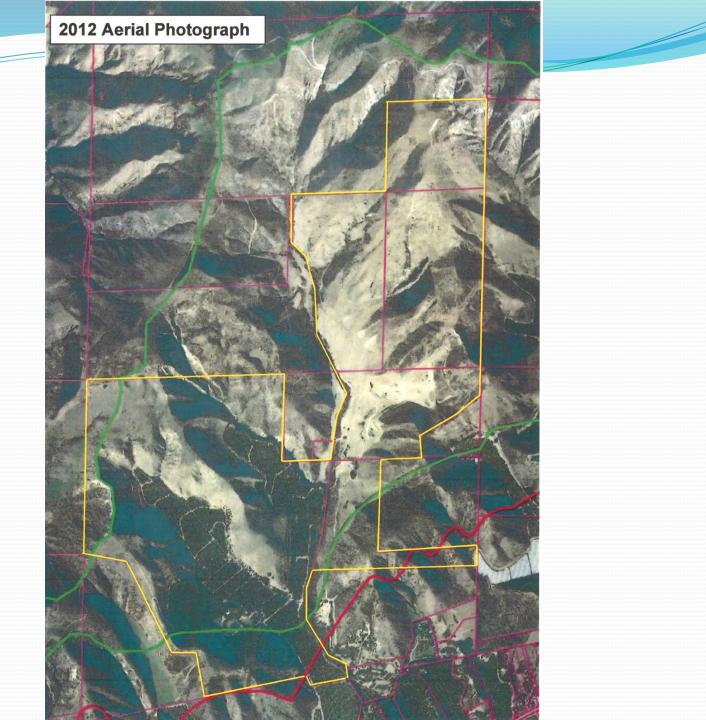
## Conclusion

 Agency Staff is requesting direction on whether to proceed with reviewing the application in more detail, or denying the application.







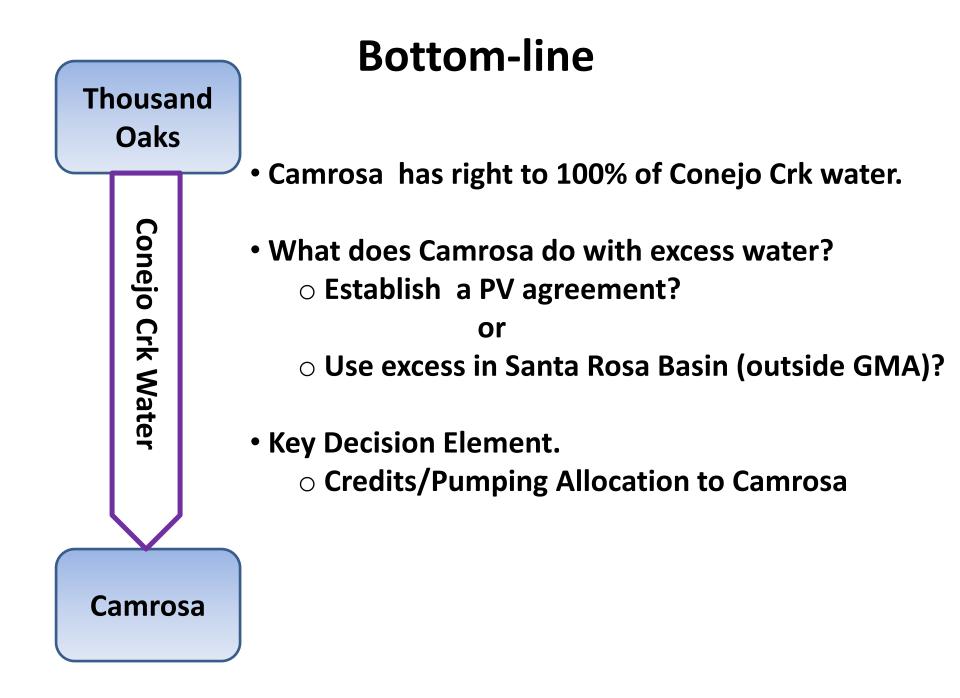


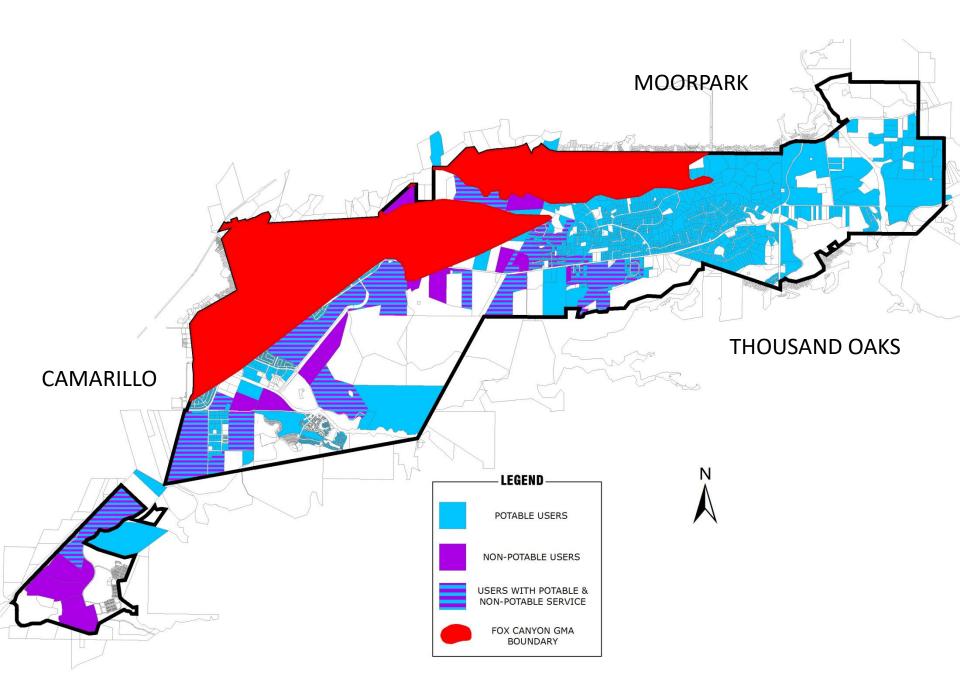
## Conejo Creek Project

January 21, 2014

### **Conejo Creek Project Facilities**







### **Camrosa Import Into the FCGMA**

5000 AF of Conejo Creek Water delivered to PV 1800 AF of Conejo Creek Water (in addition to PV deliveries) 3700 AF of Potable Water

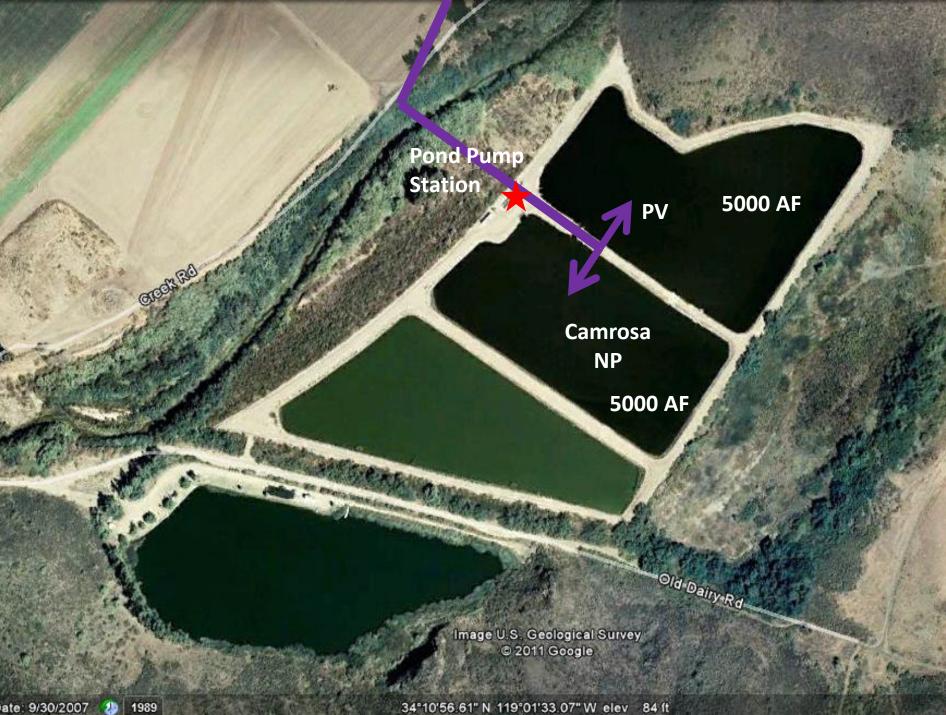
10,500 AF of Total Import to FCGMA (800) AF pumped from Woodcreek

9,700 AF Net import to FCGMA

#### Notes:

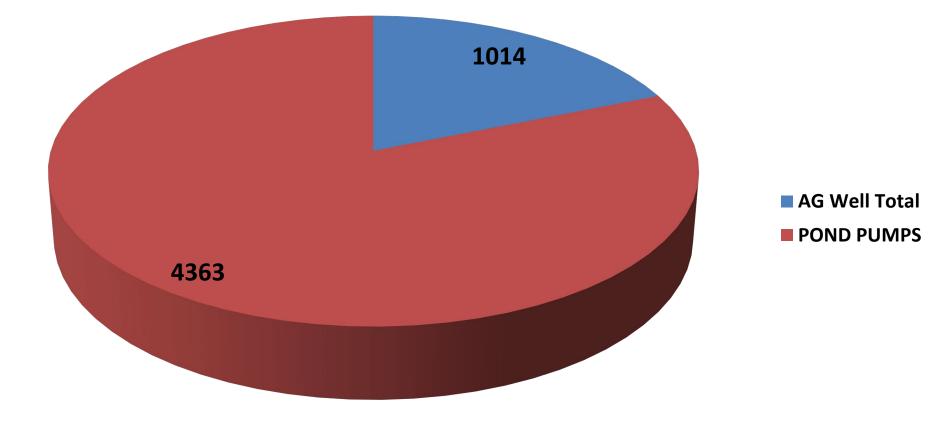
- Camrosa has offered 5 yr sunset clause
- If GMA does not approve this agreement:
  - Camrosa will work to utilize excess water within SR Basin (outside FCGMA)
  - Once Camrosa utilizes excess it is gone
  - Calleguas will continue to bank credits for next 14yrs without a sunset clause
- Calleguas/PV agreement terminates once Camrosa & PV establish agreement

#### **Thank You**

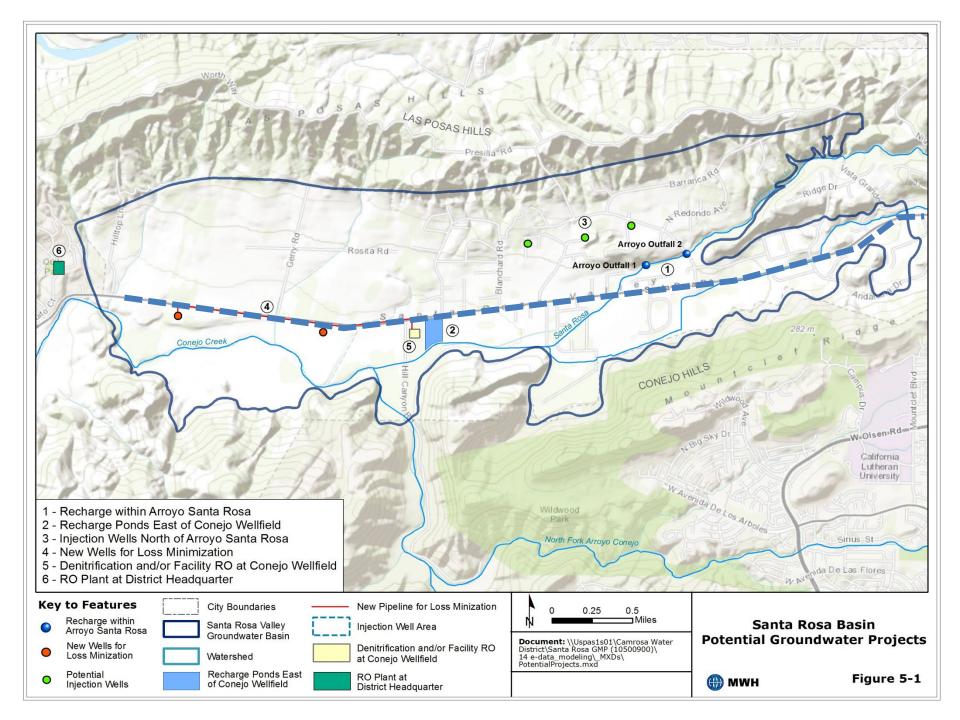


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#### 2012 NP Demand







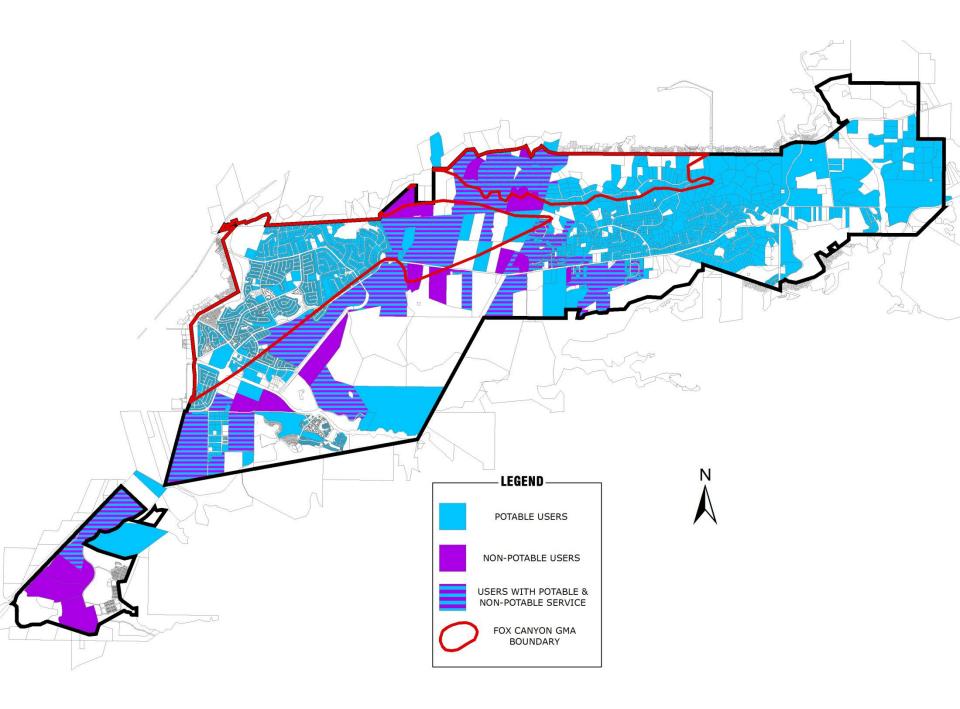
### Santa Rosa Basin Plan Components (outside FCGMA)

- Groundwater Related Projects
  - Recharge Basin East of Conejo Wellfield
  - Recharge within on Arroyo Santa Rosa
  - Injection Wells
  - Western Extension of the Conejo Wellfield
  - Desalination of Groundwater (and possibly Denitrification)

#### **PENNY WELL - DISCHARGED WATER**







### Excess Conejo Creek Water

 Leave NP distribution/irrigation as-is and use excess NP water for:

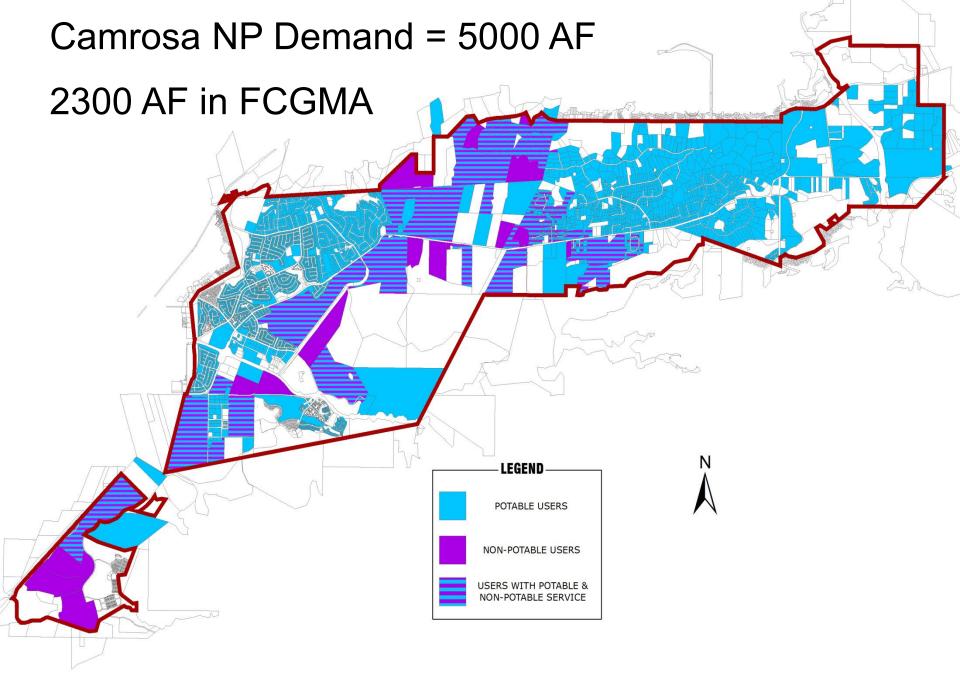
a) Delivery to PV and Receive Creditsb) Recharge SR Basin (outside GMA)c) Reuse in SR Basin (outside GMA)

• Expand Camrosa's NP Irrigation system

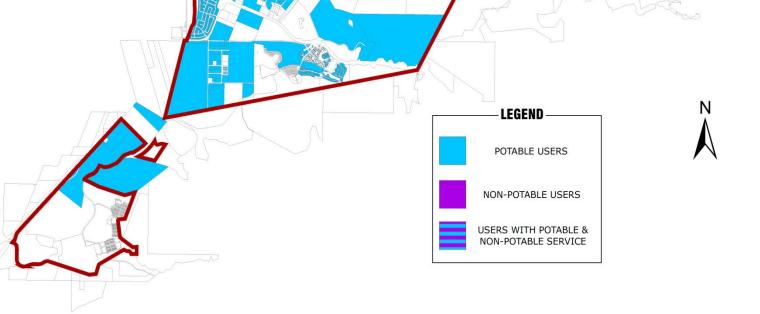
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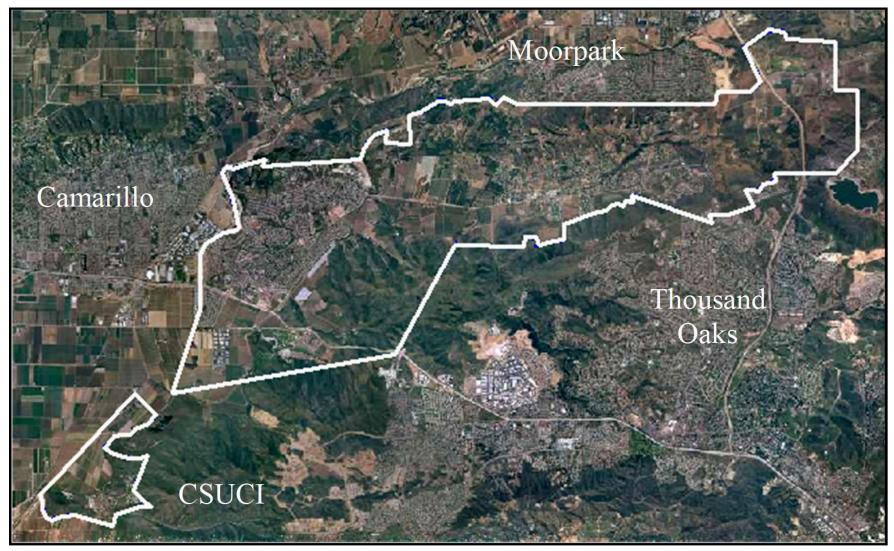
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#### Total Demand 9300 AF Import from SWP 5900 AF Import to FCGMA 3700 AF



### **Camrosa Water District**



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34°10'17.70" N 119°02'10.13" W elev 122 ft

Proposed Conejo Creek Agreement: Pleasant Valley & Camrosa Water District and Consideration of a FCGMA Resolution to Provide Credits

> Gerhardt Hubner Deputy Director Watershed Protection District



# Conejo Creek Project – Specific Request

- Request by PV and Camrosa for approval by the FCGMA for credits to support the proposed Agreement to supply diverted Conejo Creek water
- Request could be approved/conditioned via a FCGMA Resolution

#### Moorpark

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#### Thousand Oaks

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### Camarillo

### **Conejo Creek Project Facilities**



Camrosa Diversion & Pumps

Calleguas Pipeline





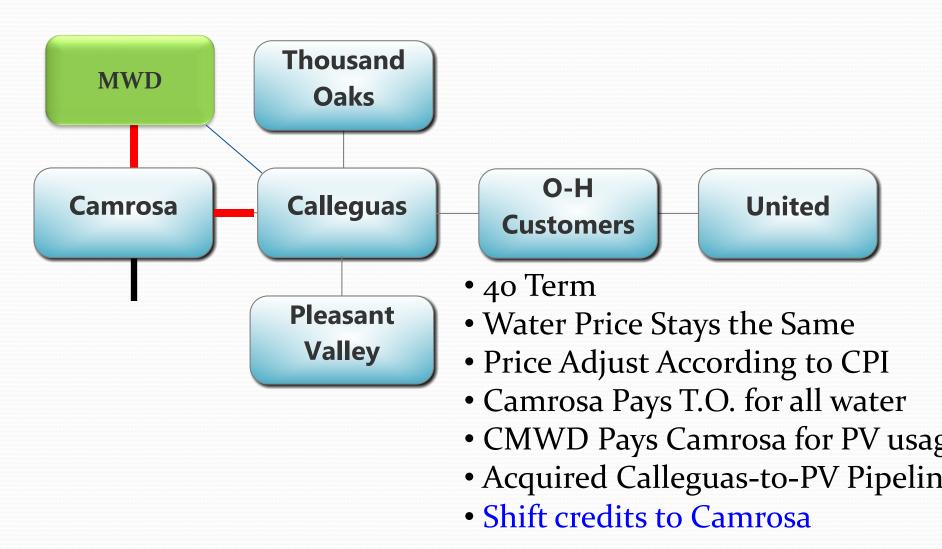




### **Previous Agreements/Approvals**

- Original 1994 Agreement Calleguas & PVCWD
- Diverted Conejo Creek Water provided to PVCWD in-lieu of groundwater pumping. In turn, PVCWD Credits to Calleguas at a 1:1 ratio
- May 2003 FCGMA Board approves. Memo with Conditions Issued

#### Old vs. New Agreements



# **Major Tenets of Agreement**

- •Generally Mirrors 1994 Agreement except:
  - •Three Party to Two Party Agreement PVCWD and Camrosa
  - •Calleguas wishes to terminates participation and credit accrual
- •Camrosa has Rights to All Diverted Conejo Creek water via Agreement with City of Thousand Oaks
- Extension of Agreement to Year 2027

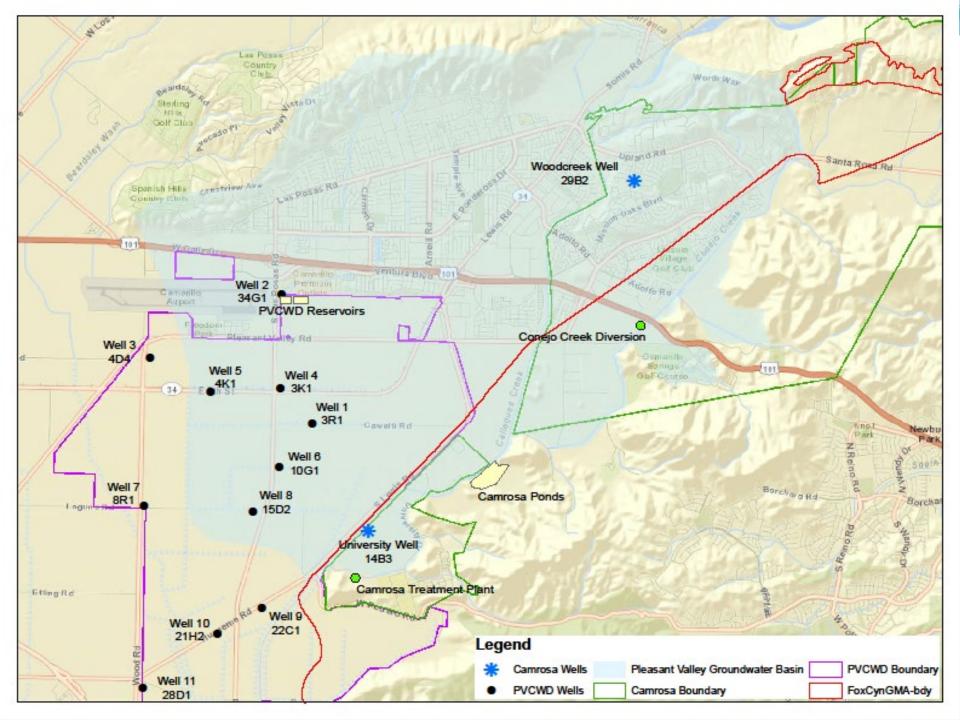
# **Major Tenets of Agreement**

- Camrosa to sell diverted Conejo Creek Water
- In return Credits (up to 5,000 AFY) would be transferred from PVCWD to Camrosa
- Requesting 1:1 Ratio of water delivered to credit transferred
- Calleguas and UWCD would still have the ability to redeem previous M&I Supplemental Water accrued credits.

# **Impact Analysis - Bachman**

Conclusion - Net Advantage to the Basin from Conejo Creek Project:

- Prior Delivery of Conejo Creek Water Reduced PVCMD groundwater pumping;
- Relatively Drought Proof due to Recycled Water Component;
- Pumping Shifted from Pumping Depression and Coast to More Inland Area;
- Inland Area More Receptive to Recharge of Stormwater from Arroyo Las Posas.



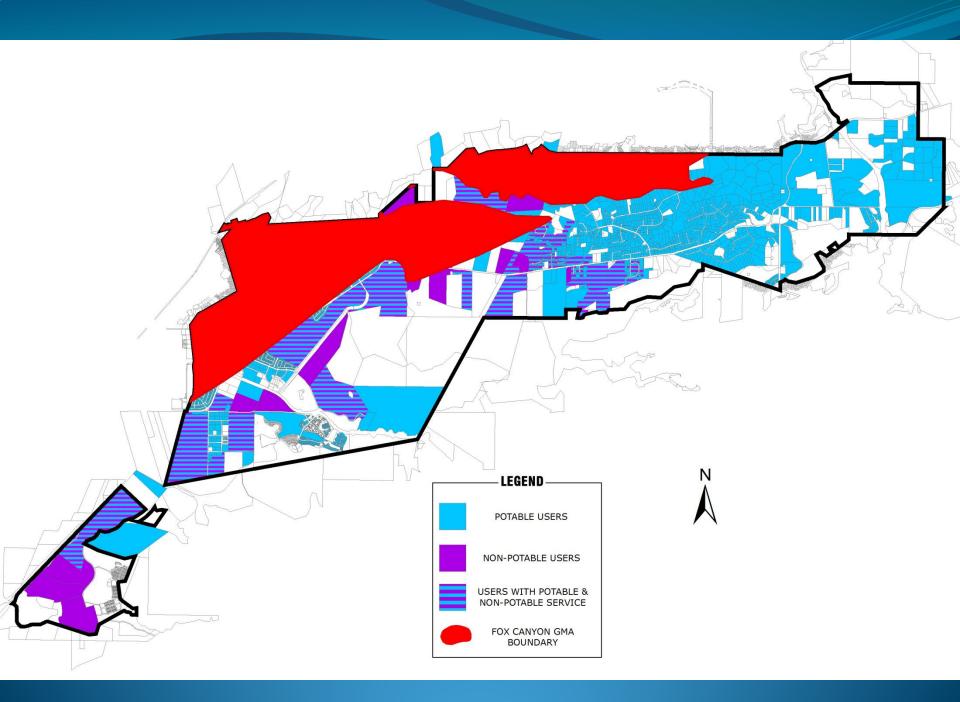
## **Benefits to Parties**

#### **Pleasant Valley**

- Better Quality Water Conejo Creek better than local groundwater
- Reliability Year Round Water

#### Camrosa

- Existing Infrastructure
- Known Paying Customer
- Obtain Credits to Additional Groundwater – Potable Supply



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11,000 AF of Total Import to FCGMA (800) AF pumped from Woodcreek

10,200 AF Net import to FCGMA

72% Non-Potable 28% Potable

# **Policy Implications**

- How Beneficial is this Agreement & Program to the FCGMA?
- Should FCGMA Continue & Thus Approve this Revised Program through a Resolution?
- If so, should it Place Conditions on the Credits?

# **Options**

No Resolution/No Credits

- Doesn't Effect Existing Agreement
- Adopt Resolution No Conditions
- Adopt Resolution Conditional Approval

## **Conditions for Consideration**

- Sunset on Credits 5 years for example
- Ratio: In-lieu Delivered vs. Credit
  1:1 or 0.5:1? = 5,000 AFY or 2,500 AFY
- Expiration or Review Date on Resolution 10 years for example
- Limitation or Separate Approval on Credits Use by Parties Other than Camrosa (City of T.O. for example)

## Recommendation

 Proceed to Full Board with Draft Resolution with Conditions