ITEM NO. 7

## SCV WATER

UPDATES TO WATER OPERATING PLAN & WATER CONSERVATION RESPONSE ACTIONS





SCV Water Board of Directors October 18, 2022

## OVERVIEW

## **Drought Status**

- California Statewide Drought Status
- SCV Drought Status

## Water Supply Updates

- Weather & Reservoir Forecasts
- New Operations Strategies
- 2022 Operations
- 2023 Operating Plan Forecast

## **Water Conservation Updates**

- Regulatory Updates
- SCV Conservation Performance





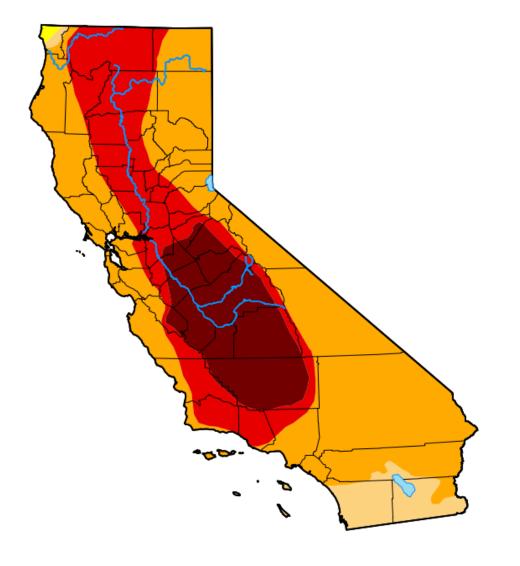
## DROUGHT STATUS

DROUGHT DEFINITION(S), STATE & LOCAL DROUGHT STATISTICS

\*Updated from 9/14/2022 WRW Committee Presentation

## CA DROUGHT STATISTICS

## U.S. Drought Monitor California



#### October 4, 2022

(Released Thursday, Oct. 6, 2022) Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	0.00	100.00	99.77	94.02	40.91	16.57
Last Week 09-27-2022	0.00	100.00	99.76	94.01	40.91	16.57
3 Months Ago 07-05-2022	0.00	100.00	99.80	97.48	59.81	11.59
Start of Calendar Year 01-04-2022	0.00	100.00	99.30	67.62	16.60	0.84
Start of Water Year 09-27-2022	0.00	100.00	99.76	94.01	40.91	16.57
One Year Ago 10-05-2021	0.00	100.00	100.00	93.93	87.88	45.66

#### Intensity:

None D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought
D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx

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# LOCAL WEATHER STATISTICS - SEPT. 2022

#### **LOCAL ET & PRECIPITATION**

\*CIMIS 204



Evapotranspiration (2022 v. 2020)

• Current Month → - 8.4%

Year to Date → +8.6%



Precipitation (2022 v. 2020)

• Current Month → 0.00"

• Calendar Year to Date → -72.4%

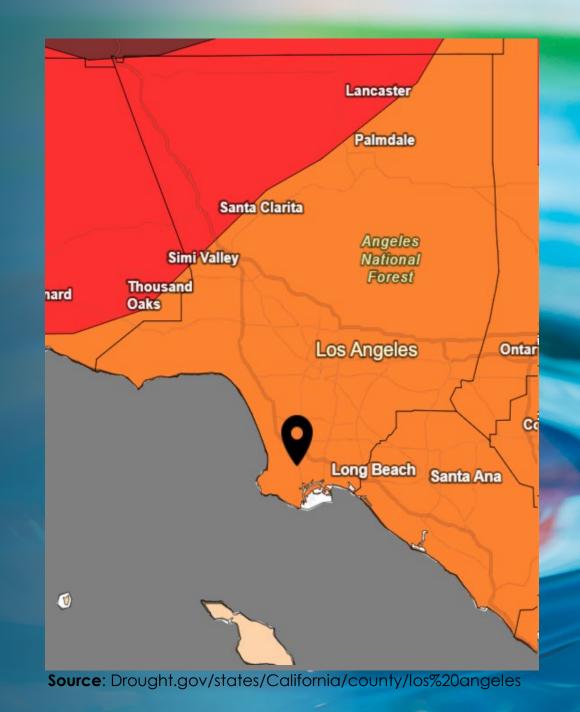
• Water Year to Date → -12 %



Temperatures (Avg. Max Air Temp)

• 2022 → 93.4

• 2020 → 95.5

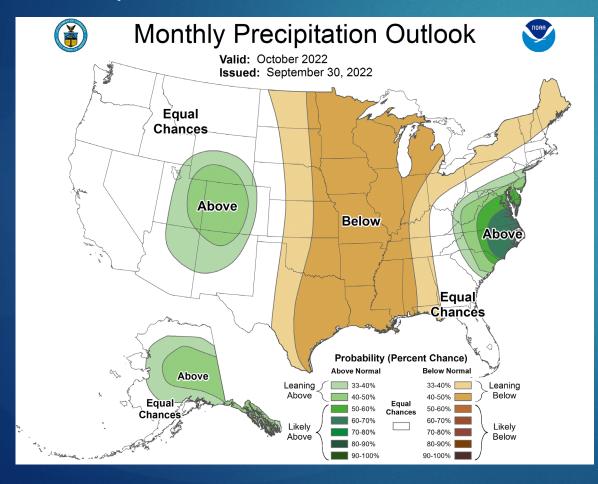




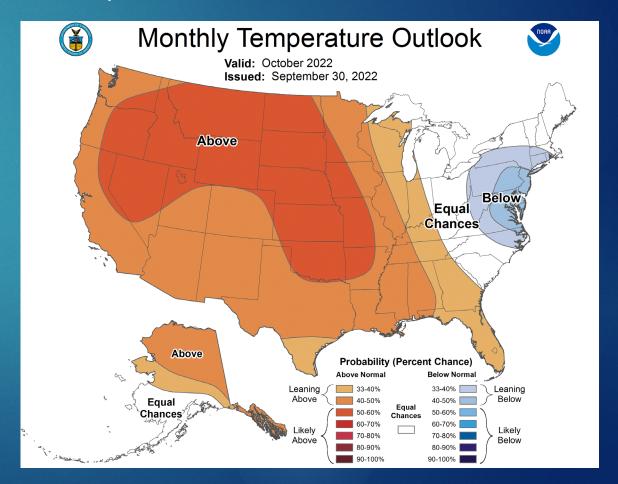
# WATER SUPPLY UPDATES

## One Month Outlook - October

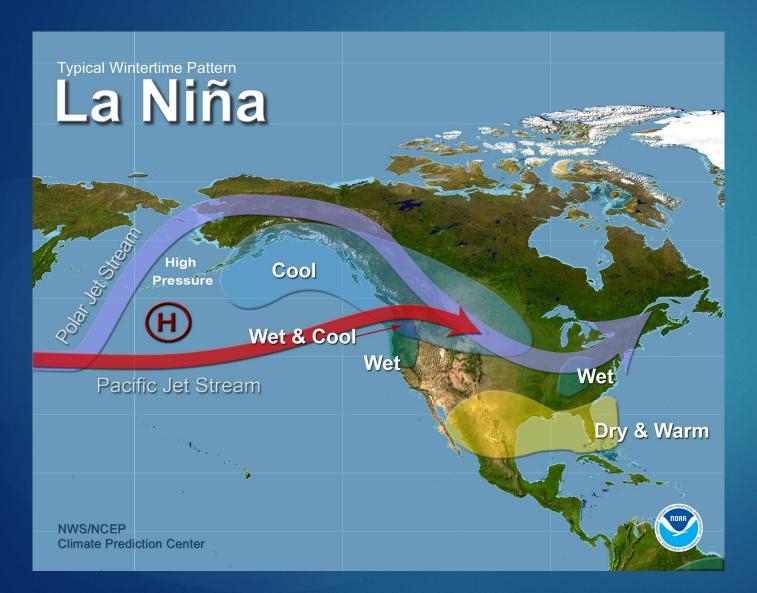
## Precipitation



## Temperature



## Triple-dip La Nina

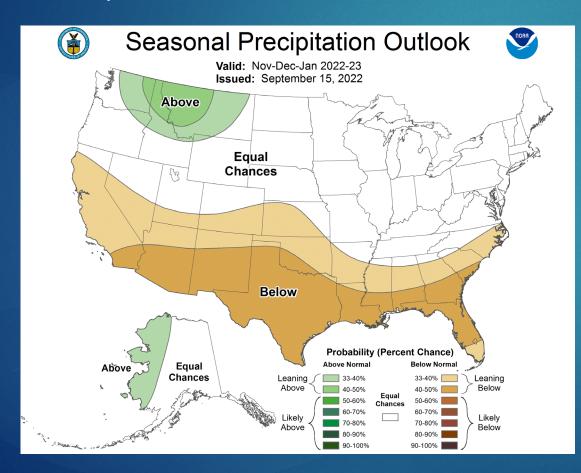


#### 3 Consecutive La Nina Winters

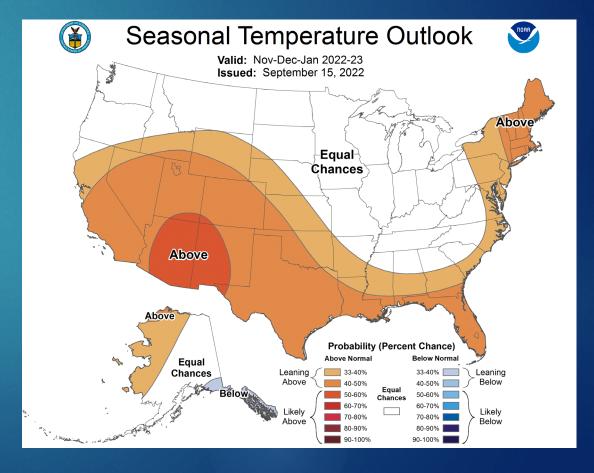
- -Very Rare
- -Occurs every 20-22 years
- Increased chance of warmer and drier than normal conditions in the Southwest, especially the southern half
- Model predictions call for another dry water year influenced by dominant easter Pacific highpressure system

## Three Month Outlook (Nov-Dec-Jan)

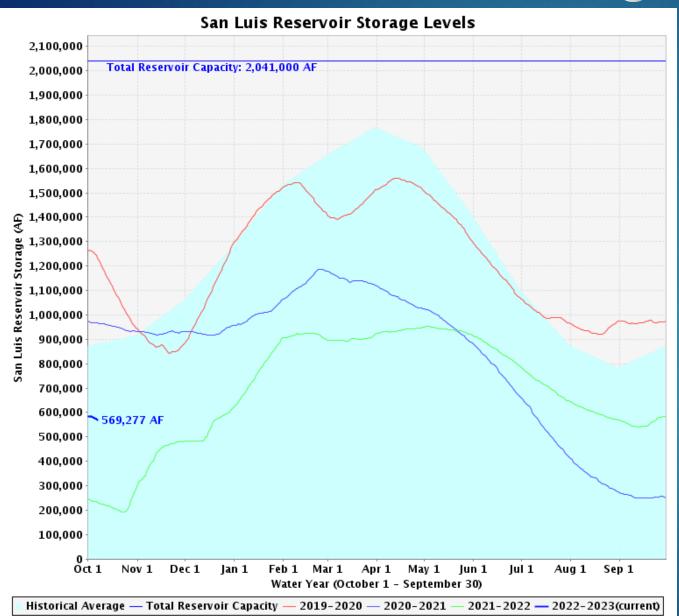
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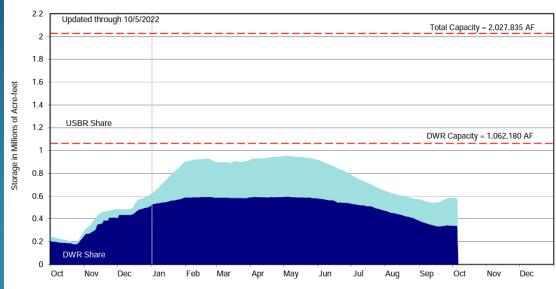
## Temperature



## San Luis Reservoir Storage



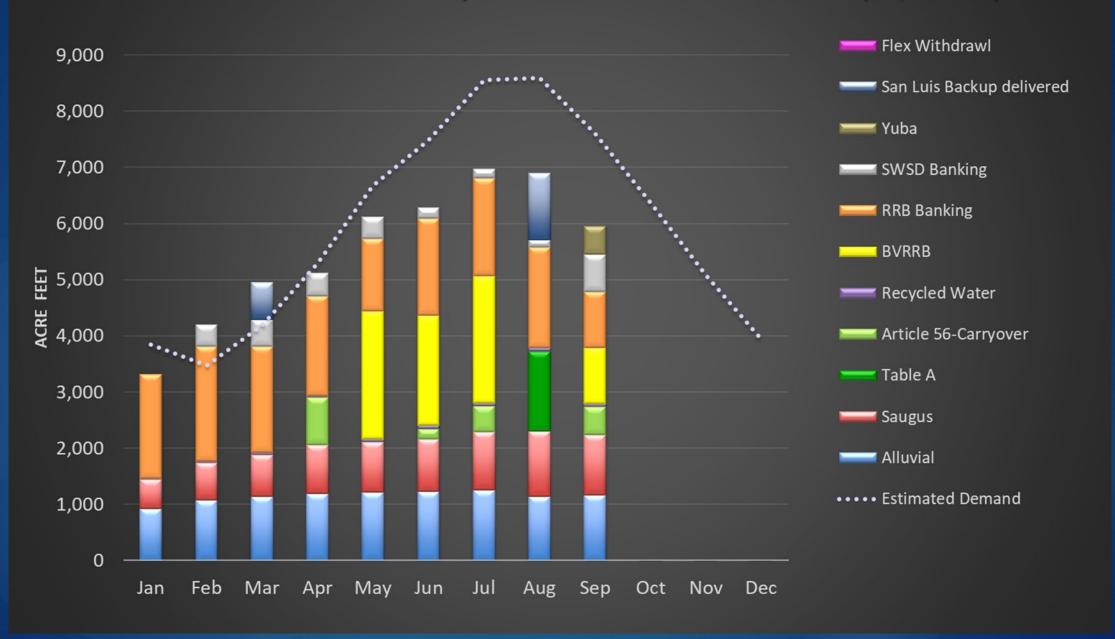
#### San Luis Reservoir Storage Combination Water/Calendar Year





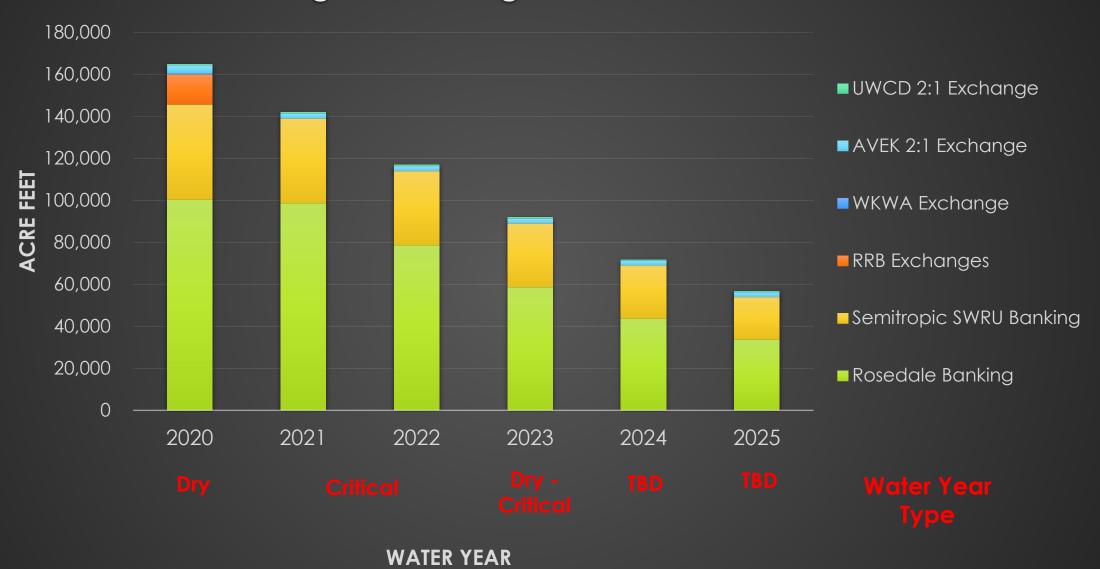


#### 2022 Actual Demand by Source vs. Estimated Demand (71,100 AF)



2022-2024 Operating Plan (August 2022)	2022	2023	2024	
Assumes Stage 2 - 2023 through 2024	5% SWP	5% SWP	5% SWP	
	Allocation	Allocation	Allocation	
Demand (assumed 2% increase per year)	71,100	72,500	74,000	
Groundwater	22,800	24,500	30,000	
Alluvium	13,700	14,000	16,000	
Saugus	9,100	10,500	14,000	
Recycled Water	450	700	1,000	
Imported Demand	47,850	47,300	43,000	
Imported Supplies				
SWP Table A	4,760	4,760	4,760	
BVRRB	11,000	11,000	11,000	
Total Available Imported Supplies	15,760	15,760	13,760	
Excess Imported Supplies (neg = shortfall)	(32,090)	(31,540)	(29,240)	
Dry Year Water Supplies				
SWP Carryover Delivered (not always guaranteed)	13,500	17,750	18,085	
Rosedale Banking	20,000	15,000	10,000	
Semitropic Enhanced Recovery Unit (Banking)	5,000	5,000	5,000	
Yuba Accord	675	1,000	1,000	
Flexible Storage (up to 6,060 AF)				
Stage 2 Conservation Demand Reduction (15% of demands)	10,665	10,875	11,100	
Total Imported & Dry Year Supplies	54,935	54,510	47,845	
SWP Carryover into next year (neg = shortage)	17,750	18,085	15,945	

## Banking & Exchange Balances Jan 1st





# REGULATORY UPDATES & WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN

**STATE & SCV WATER** 

## REGULATORY UPDATES

#### 1. GOVERNOR/SWRCB EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS

- April 21, 2021 (2 Counties)
- May 10, 2021 (Extended to 41 Counties)
- > July 9, 2021 (Extended to 50 Counties & 15% Voluntary Conservation v. 2020)
- September 21-22 (State Water Resources Control Board Monthly Reporting)
- October 19, 2021 (Drought Emergency Extended to Include All Counties)
- January 4, 2022 (SWCRB Adopts Emergency Regulations)
- May 24, 2022 (Effective June 16, 2022 SWRCP Adopts Emergency Reg 2022-0018, Requires Stage 2 Measures & Bans Non-functional Turf for CII, HOA, and Common Interest Developments)

## 2. SCV WATER – WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN/WATER CONSERVATION AND WATER SUPPLY SHORTAGE ORDINANCE

- > 4/26/2022 (SCV Water Enacts Stage 2 WSCP & Ordinance)
- 11/16/2021 (SCV Water Enacts Stage 1 WSCP and Ordinance)
- Conservation Program Uptake Increasing
- Drought Communication & Engagement Enhancements







## SCV WATER - WSCP & ORDINANCE



## WSCP STAGE 2- DROUGHT PROGRAMS

#### **Conservation Programs:**

- Lawn Replacement Rebates
- Drought Ready Check-Ups
- Smart Controller Rebates
- HELP Rebates (HE Irrigation Improvements)
- Drip Conversion Rebates
- Irrigation Check-Ups
- Online Workshops
- Education Classes

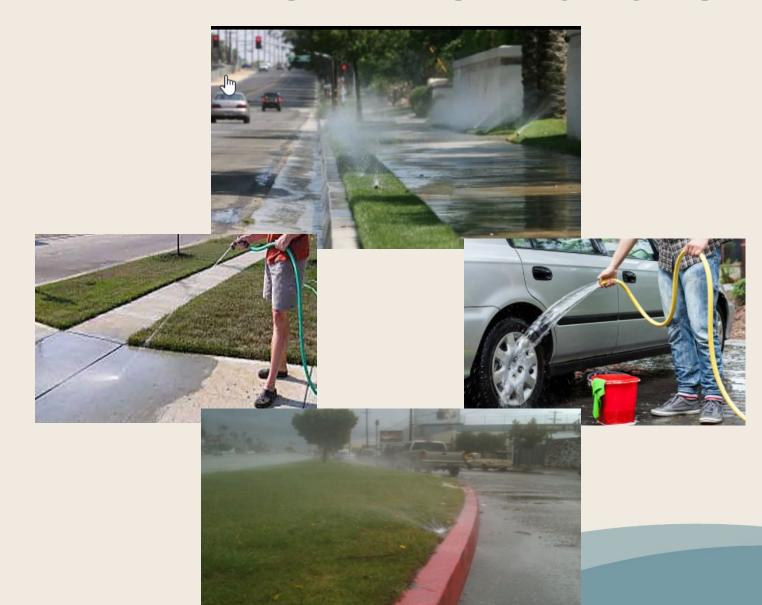




## WSCP STAGE 2 - WATER WASTE RESTRICTIONS

#### **Restrictions:**

- Allowing Runoff
- Washing cars without hose nozzle
- Using water to wash down sidewalks, driveways, and hardscapes
- Irrigating during and within 48 hours of measurable rain (.25 inch)
- Using fountains without recirculating pump
- Watering turf on public medians







## WSCP STAGE 2 - WATERING LIMITS

#### **Restrictions:**

- Water Waste Restrictions (As noted in Stage 1)
- Limits on Watering Days to 3 Day per Week Watering
  - Odd Addresses (M,W,F)
  - Even Addresses (T,Th,Sun)
  - No Watering on Saturdays
- Limits on Watering Station Run Times (Duration)
  - Two 5-minute cycles (10 minutes max)
- Watering Times (Time of Day)
  - Nov-Apr → 6 PM to 10 AM
  - May-Oct→8 PM to 9 AM







## WSCP COMMUNICATIONS - OVERVIEW



No more than 3 days per week

- Odd addresses: Monday/Wednesday/Friday
- Even addresses: Tuesday/Thursday/Sunday
- No watering on Saturdays

#### **EXEMPTIONS &** ALLOWANCES

There are a few exemptions that protect our landscape investments. Watering day and time limits do not

- Landscape irrigation zones that use drip irrigation.
- Landscape irrigation zones that use high efficiency sprinkler nozzles with low precipitation rates (equal to or less than 1 inch
- The hand watering of established trees as well as fruits and vegetables for human consumption.

Additionally, you can hand-water brown spots using a hose with an automatic shutoff nozzle. This smart practice is more efficient than increasing how much you run your sprinklers.

#### HOW LONG TO WATER

A maximum of two 5-minute irrigation cycles per zone per watering day (10 minutes max per zone).

#### WHEN TO WATER

Only in the morning and evening

- May-Oct: midnight to 9 a.m. and/or 8 p.m. to midnight
- Nov-April: midnight to 10 a.m. and/or 6 p.m. to midnight

#### WHAT IS AN IRRIGATION ZONE?

An irrigation zone is a separate area within an irrigation system that is controlled by a unique valve. An irrigation system can have multiple zones which are generally connected to a specific plant type with a unique watering

How to determine the number of irrigation zones you have: Turn on each station on your irrigation controller, one at a time. Each station is a zone.

For maximum irrigation efficiency, make sure the irrigation type matches the plant material within the zone. Typically, sprinklers are used for grass; drip is used for shrubs; and bubblers are used for

Recommended smart practice: Make sure each zone has these three key components - a control valve, a pressure regulator, and correct calibration with a smart irrigation controller.

#### WHAT IS AN IRRIGATION

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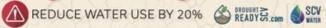
An irrigation cycle breaks your total watering time into increments, which gives the soil time to soak up

By watering for short periods of time with breaks in between, the ground has time to absorb water from the previous cycle. In subsequent cycles of watering, the moistened soil allows water to travel even deeper, creating a

Did you know? In the SCV, much of our soil is clay, which means there is typically runoff after 4 to 5 minutes when using traditional spray nozzles, but 30-40 minutes when using high-efficiency nozzles with a precipitation rate less than 1 inch per hour.



#### Stage 2 Drought Bulletin









Attention Valued SCV Water Customer

DROUGHT CONDITIONS PERSIST IN CALIFORNIA WITH NO END IN SIGHT! Snowfall, precipitation, and reservoir levels are below average, and the State Water Project water allocation was lowered to 5% of contract for the second year in a row. In response, Governor Newsom has declared a statewide Drought Emergency and has asked all

SCV WATER HAS SUPPLIES TO MEET DEMANDS, BUT NOT A DROP TO WASTEI While SCV Water has prepared for consecutive dry years by banking unused supplies during wet years, we are now accessing our critical dry year supplies to meet customer demands. Every gallon we conserve today is a gallon that we can put to beneficial use tomorrow

WATER WASTE IS PROHIBITED AND IRRIGATION WATERING RESTRICTIONS ARE NOW IN EFFECT. To

encourage water conservation and to help stretch our banked supplies, on April 26, 2022 the SCV Water Board of Directors enacted Stage 2 of our Water Shortage Contingency Plan (yourSCVwater.com/wscp) and Water Conservation and Water Supply Shortage Ordinance (bit.ly/SCVwaterShortageOrdinance).

#### PROHIBITED MEASURES

- · Water running off property (onto sidewalks, roads, parking lots, etc.)
- Washing vehicles with a hose not equipped with a shut-off nozzle
- . Using potable water to wash down driveways and sidewalks
- . Using outdoor irrigation during and 48 hours following measurable rain
- Using potable water in a fountain or other water feature without a recirculation pump

#### WATERING RESTRICTIONS

- · Water landscapes no more than 3 times per week (see designated watering days below)
- · Water landscapes only between 8 p.m. and 9 a.m. (May through October) for no more than 5 minutes per irrigation zone and/or no more than 10 minutes total on designated watering days

#### **VIOLATIONS & PENALTIES**

SCV Water's conservation goals focus on education and engagement. We encourage customers to take immediate action to eliminate water waste and to reduce irrigation use to avoid penalties.

Violations of any of the prohibited actions could constitute a fine of up to a maximum of \$500 per day, per violation. The first violation is a warning Future violations may initiate additional notices and fines.

#### YOUR GO TO RESOURCE FOR ALL THINGS DROUGHT

Visit DroughtReadySCV.com to find water saving-resources, rebates and tips for your business and home.

## WATERING

**OUTDOOR WATERING IS** LIMITED TO NO MORE THAN 3 TIMES PER WEEK.

ODD ADDRESSES Wednesday Friday

ADDRESSES Tuesday Thursday Sunday

- · No customer may water their landscape
- Irrigation Run Times are two 5-minute
- cycles per zone (10 minutes max per day)
- . Time of Day to irrigate
- May-Oct → 8 p.m. to 9 a.m.
- Visit DroughtReadySCV.com

#### Non-Functional Turf Emergency Watering Ban Turn It Off, Cap It, or Convert It.





IS REQUIRED. THE STATE BAN ON WITH POTABLE WATER LIKELY AFFECTS

In response to severe drought conditions in California and and below average rainfall and reservoir levels, the State Water Resources Board has issued a statewide ban on the watering of non-functional turf with potable water. This ban will stretch water supplies to protect the health and

safety of all residents. Landscaping is one of the biggest uses of water and we're counting on you to do your part to save and conserve the Santa Clarita Valley's precious water supplies!

#### BAN ON WATERING NON-**FUNCTIONAL TURF**

The drought prompted the State Water Resources Control Board to issue a statewide ban on the watering of non-functional turf with potable water (https://bit.ly/SWRCBconservationFAQs).

Who does the ban apply to? SCV Water customers subject to this ban include Commercial, Industrial, and Institutional (CII) customers including the common areas of Homeowners Associations as well

as Common Interest Developments. What is Non-functional Turf (NFT)? NFT is mowed

grass that is ornamental and not otherwise used for human recreation purposes. It also applies to the non-functional turf maintained by homeowner

NFT does not apply to residential properties, school fields, sports fields, and areas regularly used for civic or community events.

How long is the ban? The ban, effective June 16, 2022, is in place for one year, unless extended.

Are there exceptions? Exemptions include areas needed to water trees, shrubs, perennials, and native/

## ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES

While the State Water Resources Control Board emergency order gives SCV Water the authority to enforce the ban and levy \$500-a-day fines for non-compliance; at this time, we are prioritizing education, engagement, and program support.

Over the past several decades when severe droughts have occurred in California, Santa Clarita Valley property owners and residents have answered the call to reduce water use. We are counting on the same positive effort this time and fully appreciate and recognize the community's drought response and

The State Water Resources Control Board has banned watering non-functional turf with potable water. Jater Resources Control Board has banned watering non-runculnar our mun put.

This affects SCV Water's commercial, industrial and institutional customers.







# SCV WATER DEMAND PERFORMANCE

NORMAL CONSERVATION & DROUGHT RESPONSE TARGETS

## SCV WATER DEMAND PERFORMANCE

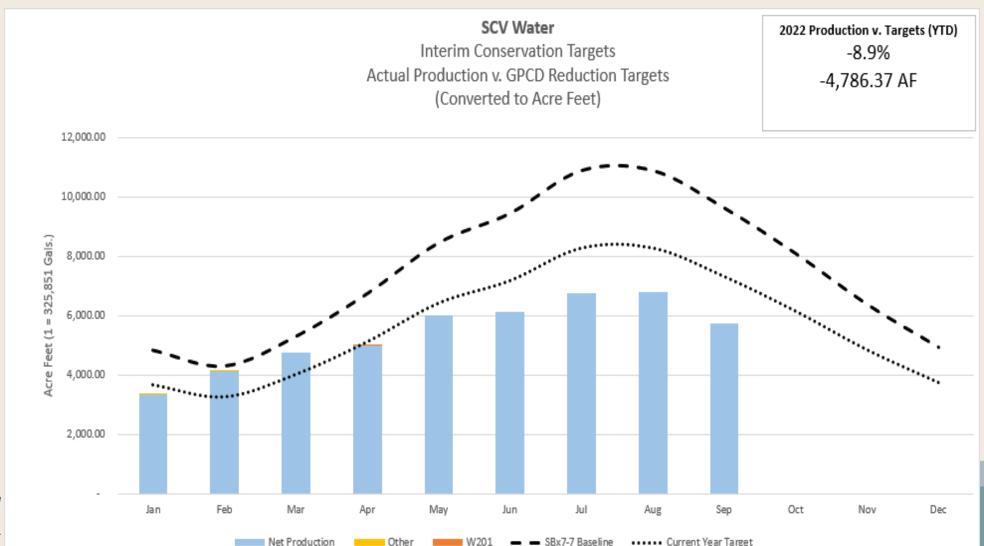
DEMAND/CONSUMPTION PERFORMANCE

- 1. Normal Conservation Target Performance (24% GPCD Reduction by 2022)
- 2. Drought Conservation Target (15% v. 2020)
- 3. Statewide and Regional Drought Performance (SWRCB Monthly Reports)



## INTERIM CONSERVATION TARGET - PERFORMANCE

## INTERIM WATER CONSERVATION TARGET (24% GPCD REDUCTION BY 2022)





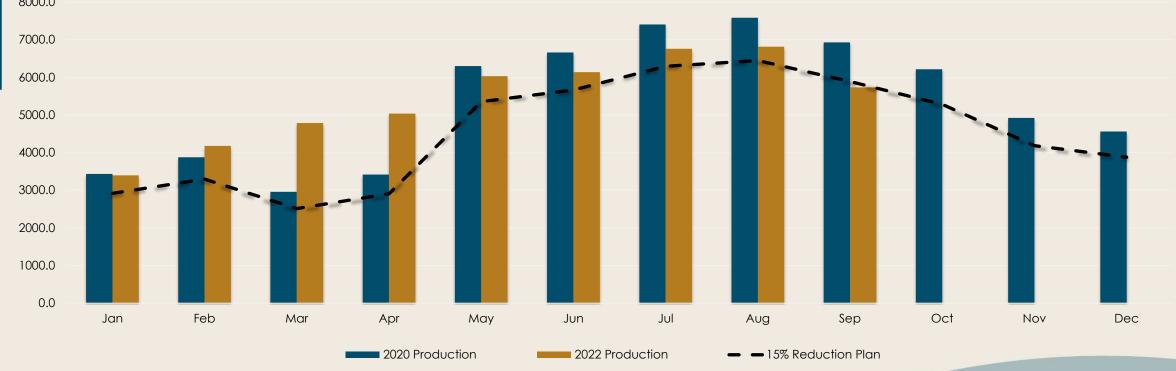
## DROUGHT CONSERVATION TARGET

### **VOLUNTARY DROUGHT CONSERVATION TARGET (15% V. 2020)**

SCV Water

Monthly Production vs. 15% Reduction Plan (Ac-ft)

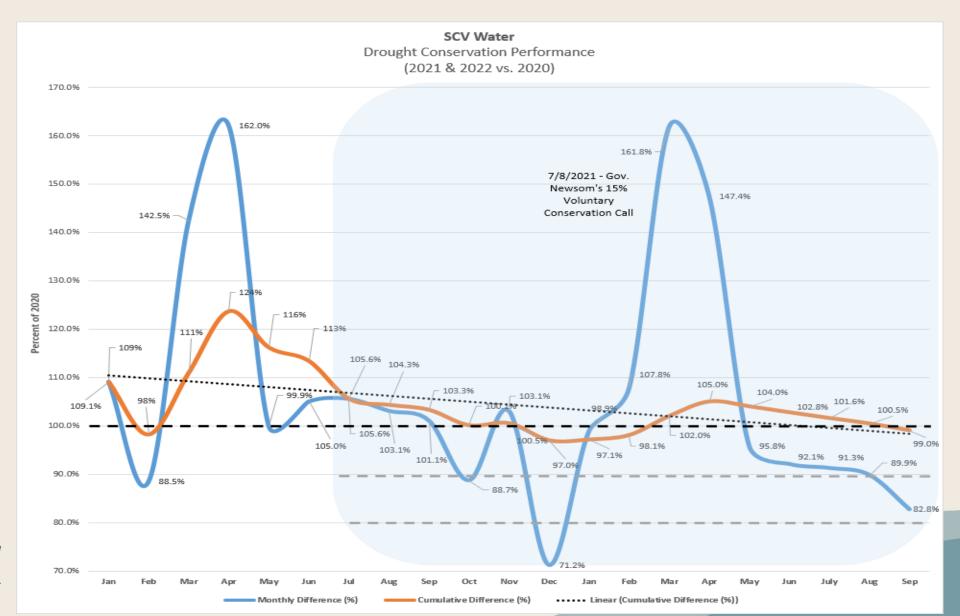
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## DROUGHT CONSERVATION TARGET





## DROUGHT CONSERVATION TARGET

Region Type

Select months

## SCV Water (Monthly Progress)

Diff. (%)

Month

Cum. (%)

ь т .	Region Type		Select months		
Progress Towards	Hydrologic Region ▼		(Multiple values)		
Region	Jun 2022	Jul 2022	Aug 2022	Cumulative	
Central Coast	-5.4%	-6.7%	-7.2%	-2.9%	
Colorado River	-5.9%	-5.8%	-3.9%	0.4%	
North Coast	-10.9%	-28.5%	-12.0%	-14.5%	
North Lahontan	-14.0%	-7.9%	-16.5%	-9.5%	
Sacramento River	-10.0%	-12.4%	-12.4%	-6.7%	
San Francisco Bay	-12.6%	-17.4%	-15.3%	-10.3%	
San Joaquin River	-5.6%	-8.8%	-7.1%	-3.5%	
South Coast	-5.9%	-8.7%	-9.7%	-2.0%	
South Lahontan	-10.2%	-16.1%	-18.0%	-5.1%	•
Tulare Lake	-5.0%	-7.1%	-7.3%	-2.4%	
Statewide	-7.4%	-10.5%	-10.5%	-4.0%	

Jul.	+5.6%	+5.6%
Aug.	+3.1%	+4.1%
Sep.	+1.1%	+3.3%
Oct.	-11.3%	+0.1%
Nov.	+3.1%	+0.5%
Dec.	-29.0%	-3.0%
Jan.	-1.1%	-2.9%
Feb.	+7.8%	-1.9%
Mar.	+61.8%	+2.0%
Apr.	+47.4%	+5.0%
May	-4.2%	+4.0%
Jun.	-7.9%	+2.8%
Jul.	-8.7%	+1.6%
Aug.	-10.1%	+0.5%
Sep.	-17.2%	-1.0%

**Source**: State Water Resources Control Board (10/10/2022)







## ACTIONS & NEXT STEPS

ON THE RADAR

## **ACTIONS & NEXT STEPS**

- OCTOBER CONT. NON-FUNCTIONAL TURF BAN OUTREACH
- OCTOBER DROUGHT READY VIDEOS
- SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER SCV COMMUNITY CONSERVATION IN ACTION
- FALL LAWN REPLACEMENT PROGRAM PRIORITIES
- CONTINUED PERFORMANCE MONITORING & ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT



## DROUGHT REVIEW - SUMMARY

- DROUGHT CONDITIONS PERSIST
- THIRD YEAR LA NINA FORECASTED
- STATEWIDE DROUGHT EMERGENCY IN EFFECT
- STATE WATER RESOURCES BOARD EMERGENCY REGULATIONS IN EFFECT
- STATE WATER PROJECT WATER ALLOCATION @ 5% (2<sup>ND</sup> CONSECUTIVE YEAR)
- CONTINUED USE OF CRITICAL DRY YEAR SUPPLIES
- SCV WATER STAGE 2 WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN & ORDINANCE IN EFFECT
- WITHOUT CONSERVATION, STORAGE & BANKING RECOVERY PROLONGED
- CURRENT MONTHLY CONSERVATION PERFORMANCE ON TRACK, CUMULATIVE SAVINGS TRENDING DOWN





## Q&A

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