



CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

MEETING	TIME & DATE	LOCATION
Resources & Infrastructure Committee	2:00 PM Monday, September 9, 2024	Cambria Veterans' Memorial Hall 1000 Main Street, Cambria, CA 93428

## AGENDA

### **Regular Resources & Infrastructure Committee Meeting**

**Monday, September 9, 2024 2:00 PM**

**In person at:**

**Cambria Veterans' Memorial Hall  
1000 Main Street, Cambria, CA 93428**

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#### **1. OPENING**

**1.A Call to Order**

**1.B Establishment of Quorum**

**1.C Chair Report**

**1.D Ad Hoc Subcommittee Report(s)**

**1.E Committee Member Communications**

**1.F Utilities Department Manager Report**

#### **2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Members of the public may now address the Committee on any item of interest within the jurisdiction of the Committee but not on its agenda today. Future agenda items can be suggested at this time. In compliance with the Brown Act, the Committee cannot discuss or act on items not on the agenda. Each speaker has up to three minutes.

#### **3. CONSENT AGENDA**

**3.A Consideration to Approve the August 12, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes**

**4. REGULAR BUSINESS**

**4.A Receive and Review the Completed Instream Flow Study and Consideration of Forwarding a Recommendation to the CCSD Board of Directors**

**4.B Receive and Discuss Information on the Adaptive Management Plan**

**4.C Discuss R&I Meeting Calendar for 2025**

**5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S)**

**6. ADJOURN**



## CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

### MINUTES OF AUGUST 12, 2024, REGULAR RESOURCES & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

A regular meeting of the Resources & Infrastructure Committee of the Cambria Community Services District was held at the Cambria Veterans' Memorial Hall, located at 1000 Main Street, Cambria, CA 93428, on Monday, August 12, 2024, at 2:00 PM

#### 1. **OPENING**

##### 1.A **Call to Order**

Chairperson Dean called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

##### 1.B **Establishment of Quorum**

A quorum was established.

Committee members present: Karen Dean, James Webb, Steve Siebuhr, Mark Meeks, and Dennis Dudzik.

Staff present: General Manager Matthew McElhenie, Confidential Administrative Assistant Haley Dodson, Utilities Department Manager Jim Green (remote), Program Manager Tristan Reaper, and Water Systems Superintendent Cody Meeks (remote).

Members of Public: Allan Dean, Tina Dickason (remote), Tim Gillham (remote)

Committee member Williams had an emergency absence due to illness, but attended remotely.

Chairperson Dean reminds the committee on rules for emergency absences: a committee member with an emergency absence can take part in the meeting if the committee members pass a motion to allow the committee member to attend remotely.

Committee member Webb makes a motion to allow committee member Williams to attend.

Committee member Siebuhr seconds the motion.

The motion was approved: 4-Ayes; 0-Nays; 0-Abstain; 0-Absent

##### 1.C **Chair Report (Time: 2:02)**

Chairperson Dean reports the following:

- The CCSD administrative offices will move to 2150 Main Street at the end of October. The new offices will open on November 1.
- There are no challengers to the three existing Board members in the upcoming election. Therefore, the Board election will not appear on the November ballot. The three existing Board members will be reappointed by the County Board of Supervisors.

#### **1.D Ad Hoc Subcommittee Report(s) (Time: 2:05)**

Committee Member Meeks has not received a reply from the solar water panel company that he has been working with. Utility Manager Green says the panels likely don't pencil out, and therefore it is not worth following up with them. Committee Member Dudzik suggests Committee Member Meeks attempt to contact the company one more time. Utility Manager Green agrees we should look once again at the demand that could be offset by the panels, and where the panels could be located.

#### **1.E Committee Member Communications (Time: 2:10)**

Committee Member Webb provides an update on the application to have parts of the California Coast added to the International Union for the Conservation of Nature's (IUCN) Green List of Protected and Conserved Areas. After 6 years of work by Committee Member Webb, the California team has approved the application which now goes to the IUCN group in Switzerland. It will be voted on by the IUCN in September.

#### *Public Comment*

None

#### **1.F Utilities Department Manager Report (Time: 2:15)**

Utility Manager Green provides a verbal update on the following projects.

- **Stuart Street Tanks.** The scope has enlarged somewhat and therefore the District must submit a full Categorical Exemption to EPA. The District will submit the Categorical Exemption packet by late August. The project schedule remains on track.
- **San Simeon Wastewater and Water Line Replacement.** The District is working with Caltrans on the geotechnical report and any encroachment permitting.
- **Lead and Copper Rule Reporting:** The physical inspections have been completed. The report will go to the Division of Drinking Water in the next few weeks. The R&I Committee will see the submittal in October.
- **Advanced Metering Infrastructure.** The installations are going slowly. 50 to 60 of the units are installed. In response to a question from Chairperson Dean, the District hopes to install all units by first quarter 2025.
- **Raw Source Sanitary Survey.** This report is required by the Division of Drinking Water every 5 years. It is almost complete, and the R&I Committee will see it in a few weeks.



- **Skate Park** Program Manager Tristan Reaper reports that the District is developing an RFP for design of the skate park.
- **East Ranch Restroom.** Program Manager Tristan Reaper reports that the District is developing two separate RFPs for the East Ranch Restroom. One RFP is for site preparation and the other RFP is for installing the restroom.
- **Pump Station Generator.** Program Manager Tristan Reaper reports that the District is developing an RFP for replacing the existing pump station generator.

*Public Comment*

Tina Dickason asks about monitoring the permeate from the Zero Liquid Discharge tests. Utility Manager Green states that the District has the necessary Waste Discharge Permit. The District is meeting with RWQCB staff on Tuesday, 8/13 to discuss disposal alternatives.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT (Time: 2:23)**

None

**3. CONSENT AGENDA (Time: 2:23)**

**3.A Consideration to Approve the July 15, Special Meeting Minutes**

Committee Member Dudzik moved to accept minutes as written.

Committee Member Webb seconded the motion.

The motion was approved: 5-Ayes; 0-Nays; 0-Abstain; 0-Absent

**4. REGULAR BUSINESS**

**4.A Receive a Presentation from San Luis Obispo County Air Pollution Control District Regarding Fast Chargers and Provide Recommendations to the CCSD Board of Directors (Time: 2:24)**

Tim Gilham/transportation planner from San Luis Obispo Council of Governments presents information about potentially adding fast chargers to the Veterans Hall parking lot. The County is drafting a grant application to install DC fast chargers in various areas. The Veterans Hall in Cambria is one potential site. There is no matching fund requirement for this grant, but it is a competitive grant.

The Council of Governments has spoken to Charge Point about the feasibility of the site. This does not imply that Charge Point will necessarily build and own the fast chargers, but they are providing information about the feasibility of the chargers in the Veterans Hall parking lot.

Committee member Dudzik clarifies that the charging stations would be in the first row of parking in the Veterans Hall. Two chargers would be handicap accessible.

Committee member Meeks asks if there a need for night lighting at the charging stations. Mr. Gilham says yes, this is likely. Committee member Meeks requests the lighting be downcast lighting because Cambria is a dark skies community.

In response to a question for Utility Manager Green, Mr. Gilham states that fast charger installations should take less than a month if the County is successful in its grant application.

Committee member Meeks asks if battery backup storage is necessary. Mr. Gilham is unsure about the need for battery backup. It may depend on available space.

Committee member Williams asks if there is a requirement that the chargers be accessible during events such as the farmer's market. Mr. Gilham states that there is a requirement that the chargers be available 24 hours a day, every day. The County will have to negotiate with the Farmers Market and others to ensure that the chargers are always available.

#### *Public Comment*

None

Committee Member Meeks moves to forward a recommendation to the CCSD Board of Directors to consider this grant opportunity.

Committee Member Webb seconded the motion.

The motion was approved: 5-Ayes; 0-Nays; 0-Abstain; 0-Absent

#### **4.B Receive and Discuss Report on Geophysical Mapping Options (Time: 2:41)**

Committee member Williams provided a synopsis of his report. The geophysical mapping company contacted by Committee member Williams did not think either of the two sites suggested by staff would benefit from geophysical mapping.

Committee member Webb asks about the criteria for selecting the two sites. Utility Manager Green states that the Gleason Street site had previously been studied as a potential well site. The Trenton Avenue site was chosen because it's an area where groundwater often percolates to the surface after storms.

Committee member Dudzik asks about next steps for those two sites. Committee member Williams says the Gleason Street site is likely not worth looking at further. The Trenton Avenue site could be further investigated with either test drill holes or cone penetrometers. Chairperson Dean asks about the cost of these approaches. Committee member Williams offers to obtain costs.

Chairperson Webb recalls that when a sewer line was installed across Fiscalini Ranch, the staff noted that groundwater discharged through the cliffs suggesting there may be available groundwater on the Ranch. Chairperson Dean suggests that staff add the Fiscalini Ranch service road as an additional potential well site. This site would be an addition to the existing report.

Committee member Dudzik would like to see a schedule of steps required to develop a well if the sites were appropriate.

Committee member Williams will refine the report with

- Costs for cone penetrometer tests
- An assessment of the Fiscalini Ranch service road site
- A notional schedule of steps required to develop a well if the sites were appropriate

*Public Comment*

None

**4.C Receive Update from Staff Regarding San Simeon Stream Gage Relocation (Time 2:57)**

Utility Manager Green reports that SLO County Flood Control District owns and operates the stream gauge on San Simeon Creek. This gauge is on CCSD property. The County would like to raise the stream gauge and replace the current gauge with updated equipment.

The County is applying for funds for this. There will be no cost to the District.

**5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S) (Time: 3:02)**

Chairperson Dean asked for any future agenda items.

- There will be an update on the ZLD program at the September 9 meeting
- There will be an update on RFPs for the backup generator at the Rodeo Grounds at the September 9 meeting
- Committee member Meeks will update the committee on Hydro Panels at the September 9 meeting
- The Instream Flow Study will be presented to the committee at the September 9 meeting
- The Adaptive Management Program will be presented to the committee at the September 9 meeting
- The Raw Source Sanitary Survey will be presented to the committee in the future
- Chairperson Dean states that the Board of Directors wants to change its schedule to once per month meetings. The Board would also like to combine standing committee meeting dates. Two committees will meet on the Monday, and two committees will meet on the Thursday following the first Board meeting of the month (the second or third Mondays, and the third Thursdays) Chairperson Dean asks Committee members look at their calendars and be prepared to discuss. This will start in 2025.
- In December Committee members will be asked if they want to continue on the R&I Committee
- The geophysical study will be updated at the October R&I meeting.

Utility Manger Green suggests Committee members hold a meeting and tour of the ZLD plant when it is running. This will be a couple months away.

**6. ADJOURN**

Chairperson Dean adjourned the meeting at 3:13 p.m.

CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

TO: Resources and Infrastructure Committee

AGENDA NO. 4.A.

FROM: James Green, Utilities Department Manager  
Tristan Reaper, Program Manager

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Meeting Date: September 9, 2024

Subject: Receive and Review the Completed  
Instream Flow Study and Consideration of  
Forwarding a Recommendation to the  
CCSD Board of Directors

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

It is recommended that the Resources & Infrastructure Committee receive and review Stillwater Sciences' completed Instream Flow Study and consider forwarding a recommendation to the CCSD Board of Directors.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None.

**DISCUSSION:**

The Instream Flow Study is an assessment of the stream, stream flows, and associated aquatic habitat in lower San Simeon Creek and the San Simeon Creek Lagoon, and to assess the impacts of municipal water diversions. The scope of the study was expanded in 2023 to include lower Van Gordon Creek based on the comments received on the first draft of the study.

Presented here is the final version of the Instream Flow Study prepared by Stillwater Sciences. It is recommended that the Resources & Infrastructure Committee receive the completed Instream Flow Study, review the report, and recommend the CCSD Board of Directors receive, review, and file the report.

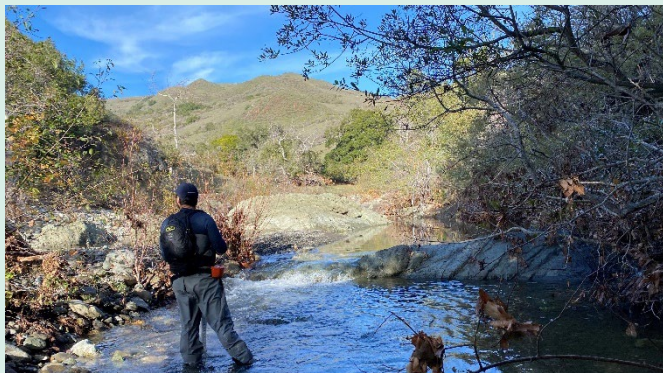
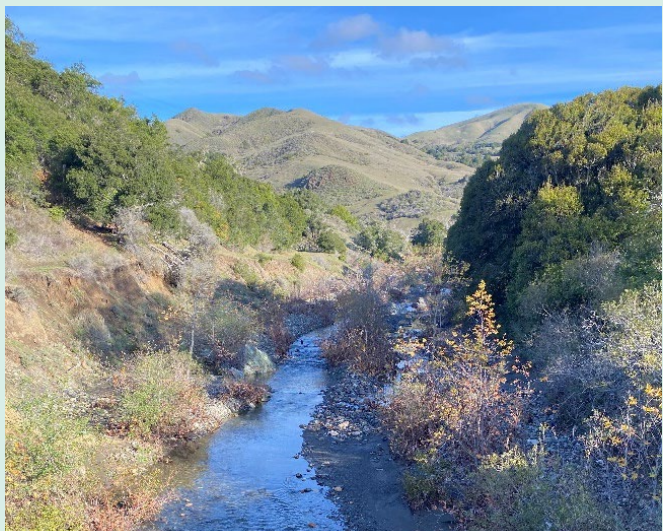
Instream flow analysis for San Simeon Creek was previously assessed by Stillwater during a county-wide assessment in 2014. The purpose of the Environmental Water Demand (EWD) study conducted in 2014 was to provide a preliminary estimate of the magnitude and timing of instream flows that would support steelhead in creeks of San Luis Obispo County.

The data gathered and represented in this updated study is more precise and up-to-date with regards to actual streamflow assessment.

Attachment: San Simeon Creek Instream Flows Assessment

FINAL REPORT ◦ AUGUST 2024

# San Simeon Creek Instream Flows Assessment



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Cover photos: Overview of San Simeon Creek during winter 2022 (top left), habitat surveys during 2022 (top right and bottom left), and adult steelhead observed in 2022 (bottom right).

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Acronyms and Abbreviations

°C	Celsius
°F	degrees Fahrenheit
ID	one dimensional
AFY	acre-feet per year
AWS	area weighted suitability
CCSD	Cambria Community Services District
CDFW	California Department of Fish and Wildlife
CDP	Coastal Development Permit
cfs	cubic foot per second
cm	centimeter
CRLF	California red-legged frog
EWD	Environmental Water Demand
ft	foot
ft <sup>2</sup>	square foot
gpm	gallons per minute
GPS	global positioning system
HSC	habitat suitability criteria
IFIM	Instream Flow Incremental Methodology
mg/L	milligram per liter
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service
ppt	part per thousand
SEFA	System for Environmental Flow Analysis
SZF	stage-of-zero-flow
TAC	Technical Advisory Committee
WRF	Water Reclamation Facility
WSCP	Water Shortage Contingency Plan
WSE	water surface elevation

# 1 INTRODUCTION

The Cambria Community Services District (CCSD) commissioned Stillwater Sciences to conduct this instream flow study to quantify the amount of streamflow that will support key species and habitat in lower San Simeon Creek. Water service provided by CCSD has the potential to influence surface flows in San Simeon Creek, but information about how surface flow conditions affect aquatic habitat for sensitive species is lacking. Findings from this study (Task 1) and concurrent groundwater studies (Task 2) will be used to identify a sustainable amount of groundwater that can be extracted during operation of the San Simeon groundwater wells and long-term operation of the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF, formerly the Sustainable Water Facility) without adversely affecting riparian and wetland habitat or surrounding agricultural activities. This report focuses on surface flow conditions and how those conditions influence aquatic habitat for special status species in lower San Simeon Creek where it flows over the groundwater basin (Figure 1). Results from this study will help inform basin management protocols and environmental monitoring plans based on the instream flow needs identified during this study.

CCSD provides water service to the unincorporated town of Cambria. All of Cambria's potable water is supplied from groundwater wells operated by CCSD. CCSD operates three groundwater wells that extract water from the basin beneath San Simeon Creek and two groundwater wells that extract water from the basin beneath Santa Rosa Creek. In addition to the three groundwater wells CCSD operates along San Simeon Creek, CCSD has a fourth groundwater well that is located downstream near the confluence of San Simeon and Van Gordon Creek and is only used during operation of the WRF. CCSD constructed the WRF in 2014 under an emergency Coastal Development Permit (CDP) to address water shortage conditions in the community of Cambria during a historical drought event. The WRF enables CCSD to provide a reliable water supply to residents of Cambria during water shortages by using a combination of advanced water treatment, groundwater recharge, and groundwater extraction during periods of declared water shortages.

The WRF is designed to supply water by pumping brackish subsurface water from the western (i.e., coastal) edge of the groundwater basin. That water is then treated and reinjected back into the groundwater basin via a recharge infiltration well located upstream near the three existing San Simeon groundwater wells to maintain groundwater levels that allow for extraction. Through groundwater augmentation, the WRF was designed to provide up to 250 acre-feet of water to the community of Cambria during the dry season (typically late spring through fall). Furthermore, when operational, the WRF is designed to provide up to 100 gallons per minute (gpm) (equivalent to 0.23 cubic foot per second [cfs]) for surface water augmentation to maintain water levels in San Simeon Creek Lagoon.

Under CCSD's current emergency CDP, the WRF is allowed to operate only during declared Stage 3 water shortages. As part of its 2020 Urban Water Management Plan, CCSD replaced its three-stage Emergency Water Conservation Program (legacy program) with a new six-Stage Water Shortage Contingency Plan (WSCP). The legacy program's Stage 3 met the definition of a water shortage emergency per California Water Code Section 350 and was intended to conserve the water supply for critical uses only: human consumption, sanitation, and fire protection. Stages 4, 5, and 6 of the WSCP meet the definition of a water shortage emergency, with Stages 5 and 6 being the closest equivalent to the legacy program Stage 3. Ordinance 03-2021, which describes

the WSCP in detail, including implementation criteria and procedures to initiate water shortage stages, can be viewed in CCSD's Public Repository.<sup>1</sup>

Sustained, long-term use of the WRF during the dry season is being considered as part of the regular CDP application. Operation of the San Simeon groundwater wells and the WRF may affect the distribution and/or behavior of sensitive aquatic species in stream sections where streamflow is affected by groundwater pumping and groundwater infiltration. Sensitive species that occur in Simeon Creek include federally threatened south-central California coast steelhead (anadromous *Oncorhynchus mykiss*), tidewater goby (*Eucyclogobius newberryi*), and California red-legged frog (*Rana draytoni*) (National Marine Fisheries Service [NMFS] 2013, Rathburn et al. 1993).

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<sup>1</sup> Available at: [www.cambriacsd.org/public-repository](http://www.cambriacsd.org/public-repository).

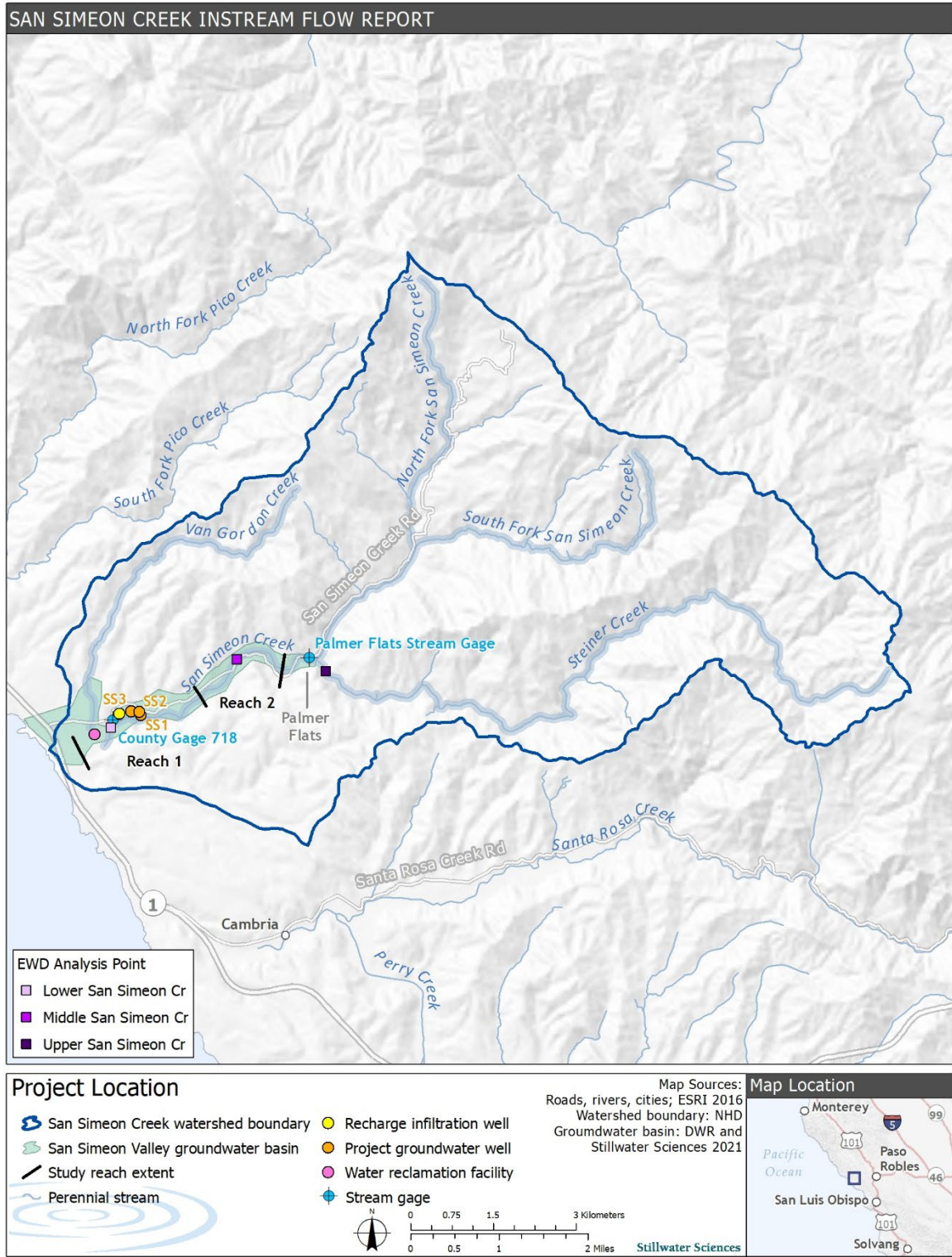


Figure 1. Study Area.

## 2 BACKGROUND

The San Simeon Creek watershed drains a 35-square-mile area of the southern Coast Range. Originating from the flanks of the Santa Lucia Mountains, San Simeon Creek transitions from mountainous headwater terrain (maximum elevation approximately 3,400 feet [ft] above mean sea level) to lower gradient valley depositional areas before draining to the Pacific Ocean approximately 2.5 miles north of the town of Cambria. San Simeon Creek has two major tributary basins with their headwaters in the Santa Lucia Mountains: Van Gordon Creek and Steiner Creek (Figure 1). Streamflow entering from these tributaries has been shown to be important for maintaining surface flows in San Simeon Creek (D.W. Alley and Associates 2004).

Instream flows for San Simeon Creek were previously assessed during a county-wide assessment conducted by Stillwater Sciences (2014) to estimate the Environmental Water Demand (EWD) for watersheds throughout San Luis Obispo County. EWD is defined as the minimum amount of surface flows required to sustain aquatic habitat and ecosystem processes. The purpose of the EWD study was to provide a preliminary estimate of the magnitude and timing of instream flows that would support steelhead in creeks of San Luis Obispo County but was not intended to provide sufficient detail for establishing regulatory or mandatory water permit limits. The Stillwater 2014 report explicitly recommended site-specific analysis to establish flow recommendations, such as the study described here.

In an attempt to avoid estimating EWD for locations that naturally dry out (without human water extractions) during the summer/fall seasons, analysis points for estimating EWD were selected based on modeling that predicted locations with perennial flows and a high potential for suitable summer rearing habitat for juvenile steelhead (Boughton and Goslin 2007). EWD was then estimated at each analysis point based on a predictive model (Stillwater Sciences 2014). Within San Simeon Creek, EWD was estimated at three locations: (1) lower San Simeon Creek, just upstream of Van Gordon Creek, (2) middle San Simeon Creek, just upstream of the San Simeon Creek Road Bridge, and (3) upper San Simeon Creek, which is within Steiner Creek just upstream from the confluence with San Simeon Creek (Figure 1 and Table 1).

**Table 1.** Environmental water demand estimates for San Simeon Creek (from Stillwater Sciences 2014).

Analysis Point	Drainage Area (mi <sup>2</sup> )	Environmental Water Demand (cfs)	
		Spring	Summer
Lower San Simeon Creek	26.2	1.6	0.5
Middle San Simeon Creek	24.3	1.5	0.5
Upper San Simeon Creek	9.8	0.8	0.3

Notes: cfs = cubic feet per second; mi<sup>2</sup> = square mile

Limited streamflow data exist for San Simeon Creek. Mean daily streamflow data was recorded for the Palmer Flats Gage (formerly#14) covering the period from October 1970 through September 1995 after which time the gage was discontinued. The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) established a second stream gage (USGS Gage #11142300) located near CCSD wells in October of 1987 and operated it until July 1989, after which the county of San Luis Obispo took over operation of this gage (County Gage #718, formerly County Gage #22) and monitored streamflow through 2003. However, after 2003, the county stopped maintaining the stage discharge rating curve and recorded only stage levels. Therefore, data from this gage location

included in this study covers only the periods from 1987 to 1989 (USGS Gage #11142300) and 1987 through 2003 (County Gage #718, formerly County Gage #22). Mean daily flow for each gage location is provided in Appendix A.

Similar to other Central Coast Range watersheds, San Simeon Creek naturally exhibits seasonal surface flow and extensive intermittent reaches due to highly variable patterns of precipitation and the complex geology of the region (NMFS 2013). Flows in San Simeon Creek closely follow the seasonal precipitation patterns of the region. The available stream gage data from San Simeon Creek shows the highest flows generally occur in the winter when maximum daily flows can exceed 1,000 cfs, while minimum flows during the summer are often 0 cfs (Table 2). Flood flows in San Simeon Creek typically increase, peak, and subside rapidly in response to high-intensity rainfall. This hydrologic attribute is characteristic of a “flashy” hydrograph, whereby a rapid increase in discharge occurs over a relatively short period with a quickly developed peak discharge in relation to normal baseflow. During the dry season, the lower section of San Simeon Creek often goes dry from near the confluence with Steiner Creek downstream to approximately the confluence with Van Gordon Creek (D.W. Alley and Associates 2004). While flashy flows and intermittent reaches are natural occurrences of coastal streams in Central California, San Simeon Creek has a number of groundwater pumps—municipal and agricultural—that likely increase the extent and frequency of intermittent flows above that which would occur under natural conditions.

**Table 2.** Mean daily flow for San Simeon Creek based on data collected at County Gage #718 (formerly County Gage #22) located just downstream of CCSD wells based on data collected from 1987 through 2003 and at the Palmer Flats Gage (formerly County Gage #14) based on data collected from 1970 through 1995.

Month	Daily Flow Statistics at County Gage <sup>1</sup>				Daily Flow Statistics at Palmer Flats Gage <sup>1</sup>			
	Min (cfs)	Mean (cfs)	Max (cfs)	Median (cfs)	Min (cfs)	Mean (cfs)	Max (cfs)	Median (cfs)
October	0.0	0.2	51.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	15.0	0.0
November	0.0	10.1	1,200.0	0.0	0.0	12.2	832.0	0.0
December	0.0	23.3	1,020.0	0.0	0.0	25.7	920.0	1.0
January	0.0	83.6	1,480.0	9.4	0.0	66.0	1,592.0	10.0
February	0.0	115.7	2,590.0	35.5	0.0	72.6	1,106.0	14.0
March	0.0	72.2	4,270.0	25.0	0.0	73.5	1,530.0	23.0
April	0.0	16.5	286.0	8.7	0.0	20.4	1,164.0	7.9
May	0.0	4.3	215.0	1.2	0.0	4.9	67.0	1.9
June	0.0	0.7	7.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	20.0	0.2
July	0.0	0.1	3.6	0.0	0.0	1.2	21.0	0.0
August	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.4	20.0	0.0
September	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	18.0	0.0

Notes: CCSD = Cambria Community Services District, cfs = cubic feet per second

<sup>1</sup> While data were recorded daily for several seasons, there are periods when no flow was recorded. It is unknown whether the lack of data represents dry conditions or whether data were not collected for other reasons. Therefore, blank data cells were not included in calculation of statistics.

Instream flows provide many functions throughout the year, including sufficient flow for fish migration and rearing (Figure 2), suitable water quality in San Simeon Creek Lagoon, and essential geomorphic processes. The central focus in this study is to evaluate a range of flows and assess their ability to protect basic ecological processes that occur throughout the year but are most limiting when flows are at their lowest (dry season; late spring through fall).

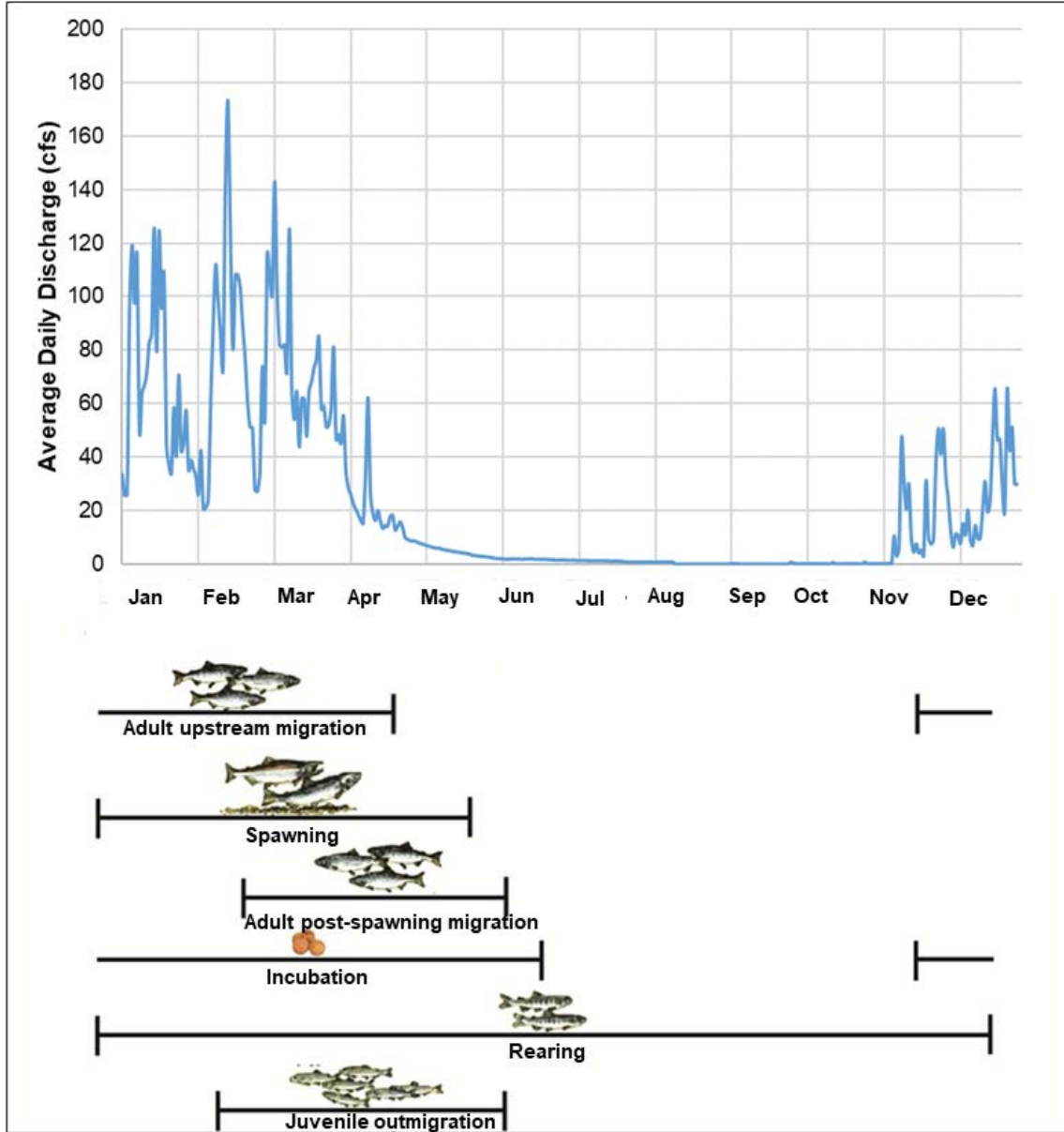


Figure 2. Average daily flows in San Simeon Creek, based on Palmer Flats Gage data for the period from 1970 through 1995 with life-history timing of steelhead (Shapovalov and Taft 1954).

Streamflow in lower San Simeon Creek is influenced by groundwater levels. During the winter when the groundwater basin is full, streamflow is generally steady; however, when basin-wide pumping exceeds the amount of streamflow contributions to the groundwater basin, groundwater



levels quickly decline. This decline typically begins in the late spring when streamflow reaches about 1.3 cfs at the Palmer Flats Gage near the upstream end of the groundwater basin (Yates and Konynenburg 1998). Groundwater levels within the San Simeon groundwater basin generally become saturated after the first streamflow event in the winter, and the San Simeon Groundwater basin remains full until early summer, when the groundwater levels begin to recede before stabilizing near their minimum elevation, which typically occurs by the beginning of September and remains there until the first streamflow event recharges the groundwater basin (CCSD 2015).

## 2.1 Special Status Species

Special status aquatic species that occur in San Simeon Creek include two federally listed fish species—steelhead and tidewater goby—and one federally listed amphibian—California red-legged frog (CRLF).

### 2.1.1 Steelhead

Lower San Simeon Creek supports a population of federally threatened south-central California coast steelhead (NMFS 2013). One of the primary threats to steelhead production in San Simeon Creek was identified by NMFS includes reducing instream flow and water availability (NMFS 2013). Steelhead found in the San Simeon Creek watershed belong to the South-Central California Coast Distinct Population Segment, which includes steelhead populations that inhabit coastal stream networks from the Pajaro River (San Benito County) south to, but not including, the Santa Maria River (NMFS 2013). Within this Distinct Population Segment, the population of steelhead in the San Simeon Creek watershed has been identified as a Core 1 population, which means it has the highest priority for recovery actions, has a known ability or potential to support viable populations, and has the capacity to respond to recovery actions. One critical recovery action listed by NMFS includes the implementation of operating criteria to ensure streamflow allows for essential steelhead habitat functions (NMFS 2013).

Adult steelhead generally leave the ocean to return to their natal streams from December through March and spawn in late winter or spring (Meehan and Bjornn 1991, Behnke 1992). Spawning occurs primarily from January through April (Hallock et al. 1961, Moyle 2002). Female steelhead construct redds in suitable gravels (0.39–1.18 inches in diameter [Moyle 2002]), often in pool tailouts and heads of riffles, or in isolated patches in cobble-bedded streams. Steelhead eggs incubate in the redds for 3 to 14 weeks, depending on water temperatures (Shapovalov and Taft 1954, Barnhart 1991). After hatching, young steelhead remain in the gravel for an additional 2 to 5 weeks while absorbing their yolk sacs and then emerge in spring or early summer as fry (Barnhart 1991).

After emergence, steelhead fry use shallow, low-velocity habitats, typically found along stream margins and in low-gradient riffles (Hartman 1965, Fontaine 1988). As fry grow and improve their swimming abilities in late summer and fall, they increasingly show a preference for higher water velocity and deeper mid-channel areas near the thalweg (the deepest part of the channel) in locations with cover (Hartman 1965, Everest and Chapman 1972, Fontaine 1988). Locations with high water velocity and cover likely provide juvenile steelhead with resting locations while they watch for drifting invertebrates being carried by flow. Aquatic invertebrates comprise a key item in the diet of juvenile steelhead. After rearing in freshwater for 1 to 3 years, juvenile steelhead migrate to the ocean, typically from March through June.

San Simeon Creek Lagoon conditions have an important influence on anadromous fish survival because steelhead must pass through these areas during upstream adult migration and downstream smolt outmigration. In some central California coast watersheds, seasonal lagoons have also been shown to provide a critical role in supporting steelhead populations by providing important juvenile steelhead rearing habitat. Juvenile steelhead that rear in lagoon habitat over the summer have been shown to have rapid growth rates compared to growth in upstream locations (Hayes et al. 2008). Larger steelhead that reared in seasonal lagoon habitat in Scott Creek (Santa Cruz County), for example, were found to account for greater than 80% of the returning adult population (Bond et al. 2008). In some cases, lagoons have the potential to contribute to the majority of steelhead smolt produced in small coastal watersheds (Smith 1990). Water quality conditions within lagoon habitat reported to support steelhead rearing include the following criteria:

- Water temperatures between 15–24 degrees Celsius (°C) (59–75.2 degrees Fahrenheit [°F]) (Hayes et al. 2008).
- Salinities less than 10 parts per thousand (ppt) (Daniels et al. 2010).
- Dissolved oxygen concentrations greater than 5 milligrams per liter (mg/L) (ISU 2008, as cited in Daniels et al. 2010).

Flows to support steelhead migration in San Simeon Creek were previously assessed by D. W. Alley and Associates (1992). The study focused on water depth at critical riffles located within the lower 4 miles of San Simeon Creek. D. W. Alley (1992) estimated that flows to support adult steelhead upstream migration ranged from approximately 21 cfs to 68 cfs, depending on the critical riffle location, while juvenile steelhead downstream migration was supported at flows ranging from approximately 4 cfs to 11 cfs. Studies monitoring the downstream migration of steelhead in San Simeon Creek observed juvenile steelhead migration primarily during April and May with higher catch often occurring during periods of increased flows (Table 3) (Nelson 1995, Nelson et al. 2005).

**Table 3.** Steelhead outmigrant trapping results summary for San Simeon Creek in 1993 and 2005 (Nelson 1995, Nelson et al. 2005).

<b>Week</b>	<b>Parr</b>	<b>Silvery Parr</b>	<b>Smolt</b>	<b>Rainbow Trout Coloration</b>	<b>Kelt</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Stream Flow (date)</b>
<b><i>1993 Outmigrant Trapping</i></b>							
April 7	0	0	1	0	0	1	Not recorded
April 12	0	0	0	0	0	0	Not recorded
April 19	0	0	4	0	0	4	Not recorded
April 26	0	0	5	0	0	5	Not recorded
May 3	0	0		0	0	0	6.27 (May 5, 1993)
May 10	0	0		0	0	0	4.41 (May 12, 1993)
May 17	0	0		0	0	0	2.65 (May 19, 1993)
May 24 <sup>a</sup>	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na	5.29 (May 25, 1993)
<b><i>2005 Outmigrant Trapping</i></b>							
March 14	1	2	0	0	0	3	Not recorded
April 11	1	4	16	0	0	21	Not recorded
April 18	1	5	11	0	1	18	15.8 (April 20,2005)
April 25	0	33	17	3	0	53	31.3 (April 28,2005)
May 2	8	11	2	0	0	21	9.6 (May 4,2005)

Week	Parr	Silvery Parr	Smolt	Rainbow Trout Coloration	Kelt	Total	Stream Flow (date)
May 9	49	10	1	0	0	60	11.6 (May 11,2005)
May 16	11	0	0	0	0	11	7.2 (May 18,2005)
May 23	9	0	0	0	0	9	4.9 (May 24,2005)
May 30	30	0	0	0	0	30	3.7 (June 2,2005)
June 6	1	0	0	0	0	1	2.4 (June 7,2005)

<sup>a</sup> Traps were removed after the week of May 17 in 1993; however, the week of May 24 is included in the table to show an increase in flow that may have triggered additional smolt migration.

### 2.1.2 Tidewater goby

Tidewater goby is federally listed as endangered under the federal Endangered Species Act (59 Federal Register 5494 5499) and designated as a species of special concern by the State of California. Critical habitat was designated for tidewater goby in San Simeon Creek Lagoon (USFWS 2013). Tidewater goby is an estuarine/lagoon-adapted species that is endemic to the California coast, mainly in small lagoons and near stream mouths in the uppermost brackish portion of larger bays (Moyle 2002, USFWS 2005).

Tidewater gobies are short lived (generally 1 year) and highly fecund fish (females produce 300–500 eggs per batch and spawn multiple times per year) that disperse infrequently via marine habitat but have no dependency on marine habitat for their life cycle (Swift et al. 1989, Lafferty et al. 1999). Reproduction is generally associated with the closure and filling of the estuary (late spring to fall), typically beginning in late April or May and continuing into the fall, although the greatest numbers of fish are usually produced in the first half of this period. Breeding occurs in slack shallow waters of seasonally disconnected or tidally muted lagoons, estuaries, and sloughs. Males dig burrows vertically into sand, 4 to 8 inches deep, and defend the burrows until hatching (SCR Project Steering Committee 1996). Their diet consists mainly of small animals, usually mysid shrimp (*Mysidopsis bahia*), gammarid amphipods (*Gammarus roeseli*), and aquatic insects, particularly chironomid midge (Diptera: Chironomidae) larvae (Swift et al. 1989, Swenson 1997, Moyle 2002). Juvenile and adult tidewater gobies are reported to prefer water temperatures of 12–24°C (54–75°F), within a tolerance range of 6–25°C (42–77°F) (Stillwater Sciences 2006).

The USFWS (2013) states that habitat characteristics required to sustain the tidewater goby's life history processes include the following:

Persistent, shallow (in the range of approximately 0.3 to 6.6 ft), still-to-slow-moving lagoons, estuaries, and coastal streams with salinity up to 12 ppt, which provide adequate space for normal behavior and individual and population growth that contain one or more of the following: (a) Substrates (e.g., sand, silt, mud) suitable for the construction of burrows for reproduction; (b) Submerged and emergent aquatic vegetation, such as pondweed (*Potamogeton pectinatus*), widgeongrass (*Ruppia maritima*), bulrush (*Typha latifolia*), and sedges (*Scirpus* spp.), that provides protection from predators and high flow events; or (c) Presence of a sandbar(s) across the mouth of a lagoon or estuary during the late spring, summer, and fall that closes or partially closes the lagoon or estuary, thereby providing relatively stable water levels and salinity.

Monthly visual observation surveys conducted in San Simeon Creek Lagoon from May 1992 through April 1993, documented observations of more than 7,000 juvenile and more than 1,000 adult tidewater gobies (Rathburn et al. 1993). More recently, during a single day of beach seining in October 2014, more than 1,000 tidewater gobies were captured in San Simeon Creek Lagoon (D.W. Alley 2015)

### 2.1.3 California red-legged frog

CRLF is federally listed as threatened and is a California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Species of Special Concern. The species' range occurs from south of Elk Creek in Mendocino County to Baja California, with isolated remnant populations occurring in the Sierra foothills from sea level to approximately 8,000 ft (Stebbins 1985, Shaffer et al. 2004). Currently, most CRLF populations are largely restricted to coastal drainages on the central coast of California.

CRLF habitat includes wetlands, wet meadows, ponds, lakes, and low-gradient, slow-moving stream reaches. Breeding generally occurs from December through April in aquatic habitats characterized by still or slow-moving water with deep pools (usually 2.3 ft deep or greater) and emergent and overhanging vegetation (Jennings and Hayes 1994). Breeding sites can be ephemeral or permanent; if ephemeral, inundation is usually necessary into the summer months (through July or August) for successful metamorphosis. Although some adults may remain resident year-round at favorable breeding sites, others may disperse overland up to 1 mile or more (Fellers and Kleeman 2007). Movements may be along riparian corridors, but many individuals move directly from one site to another without apparent regard for topography or watershed corridors (Bulger et al. 2003). CRLFs sometimes enter a dormant state during summer or in dry weather (aestivation), finding cover in small mammal burrows, moist leaf litter, root wads, or cracks in the soil. However, CRLFs in coastal areas are typically active year-round because temperatures are generally moderate (USFWS 2002, Bulger et al. 2003). CRLF eggs and tadpoles require daily average water temperatures <23°C (73.4°F) (USFWS 2002) and salinities of 4.5 ppt or below (Jennings and Hayes 1990).

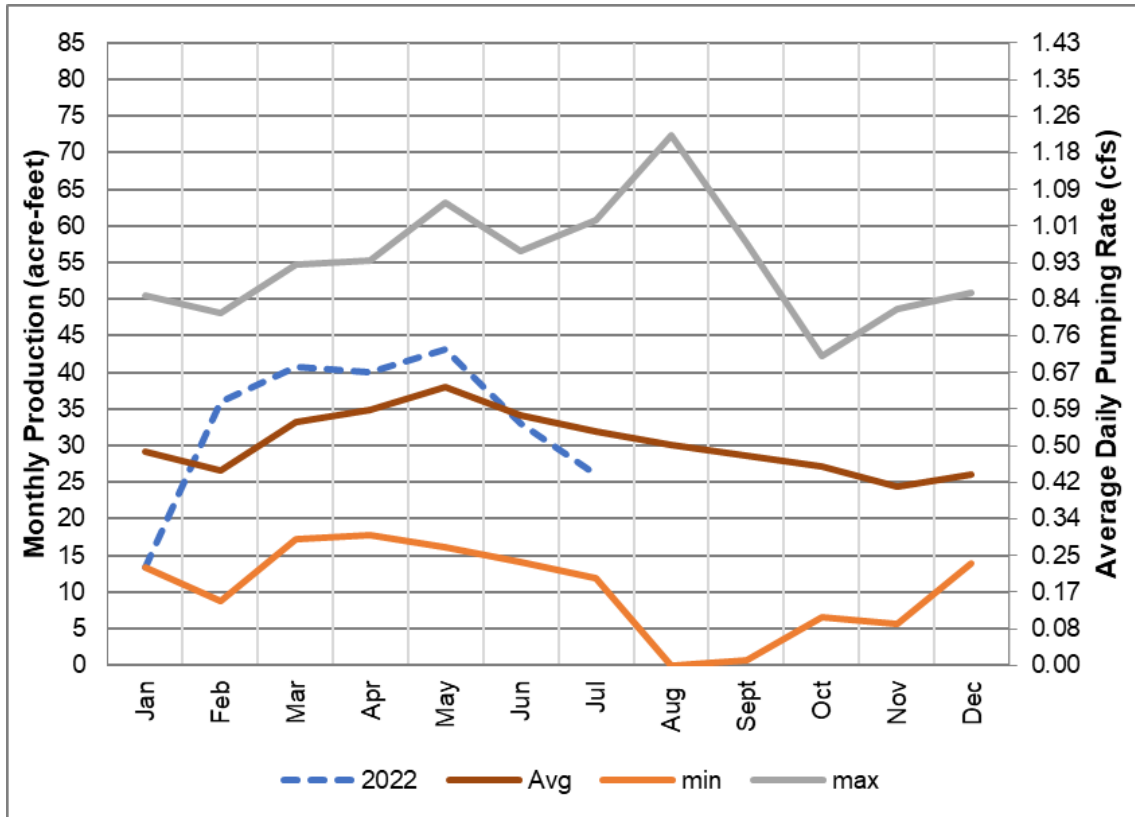
## 2.2 Operations Information

CCSD operates the three groundwater wells located along lower San Simeon Creek fairly consistently throughout the year (Figure 3). Existing water right conditions limit pumping to an annual maximum of 799 acre feet per year (AFY) from the San Simeon aquifer and of that amount up to 370 AFY can be pumped during the dry season (defined as “from the time the creek ceases flow at the Palmer Flats Gage, until October 31”) (Water Systems Consulting 2021). CCSD typically extracts between 24 to 38 acre-feet per month (Figure 3), which equates to daily average extraction rates of approximately 0.41 cfs to 0.64 cfs; however, pumping rates can be as high as 85 acre-feet per month, which equates to 1.43 cfs (Water Systems Consulting 2021).

In addition to the wells operated by CCSD, numerous private wells irrigate farmlands on flat areas adjacent to the San Simeon creek channel. Agricultural pumping within the valley has been estimated at approximately 180 AFY (CDM Smith 2014). The majority of agricultural pumping occurs from two agricultural operations: one located along the upstream end of the basin spanning from just upstream of the three CCSD wells to just downstream of Steiner Creek and the other is located adjacent to the WRF. The upstream agricultural operation currently uses approximately 130 AFY and only plants half of the total acreage each year, indicating that at full production groundwater pumping there could increase up to 260 AFY (Yates 2022). This rate is estimated to

require pumping at rates ranging from 0.24 cfs to 0.42 cfs during the spring (April and May). The agricultural pumping that occurs adjacent to the WRF, is allocated up to 183.5 AFY; however, recent use has averaged around approximately 15 AFY per year. The maximum pump capacity of this well is 275 gpm (0.61 cfs) (Warren 2023).

The influence of the two major agricultural wells on groundwater levels as well as CCSD wells was assessed under the Task 2 groundwater modeling effort (Appendix B). Results from the expanded groundwater model indicate that pumping from the private well located adjacent to the WRF has a smaller influence on groundwater basin conditions compared to the pumping from the well located upstream of CCSD wells (Appendix B). This smaller influence is likely attributed to the stabilizing effects of San Simeon Creek Lagoon on the groundwater levels in the coastal end of the basin.



Notes: cfs = cubic feet per second; CCSD = Cambria Community Services District

Figure 3. Monthly well extraction volume from CCSD San Simeon basin wells in 2022 and average, minimum, and maximum monthly well extraction volumes with average daily pumping rates for the period from 2012 through July 2022.

### 2.3 Study Goals and Objectives

CCSD initiated two tasks to gather information about its operations within the San Simeon groundwater basin. Task 1 includes this instream flow study, which focuses primarily on surface flow conditions within lower San Simeon Creek. Task 2 entails groundwater modeling related to the instream flow study efforts and aims to quantitatively estimate the effects of operational

changes on groundwater levels, groundwater inflow to San Simeon Creek Lagoon, and ocean boundary outflow using a modified, existing groundwater model of the San Simeon Creek basin. The analysis included in Task 2 focuses on drought periods when the WRF would likely be operated and when potential ecological impacts would be most severe (Appendix B), while Task 1 focuses on the amount of surface flows needed to support aquatic species. The goal of the Task 1 and 2 studies is to inform water allocation in the San Simeon Creek watershed as it relates to sensitive species that occur in lower San Simeon Creek. Results from both studies will be used to inform CCSD's Adaptive Management Plan for San Simeon Creek.

This report focuses on surface flows and identifies flows needed for sensitive species and habitats in lower San Simeon Creek assessed under Task 1. The study objective is to determine the relationship between habitat and streamflow as it relates to the needs of aquatic species in lower San Simeon Creek with operation of the San Simeon groundwater wells and long-term operation of the WRF having the potential to alter surface flow.

## **2.4 Study Area**

The Study Area focuses on the section of San Simeon Creek where surface flows are most likely influenced by groundwater pumping and recharge associated with CCSD's operations. It covers an approximately 3.5-mile section of San Simeon Creek that runs along the San Simeon Valley groundwater basin, which begins just upstream of the lagoon and extends upstream to the Palmer Flats area located just downstream of Steiner Creek (Figure 1). This section of San Simeon Creek is between two major tributaries—Van Gordon Creek at the downstream end and Steiner Creek at the upstream end—and within the alluvial section of the watershed, where surface flows infiltrate into the groundwater basin. The stream channel within the Study Area is characterized as a low-gradient, broad channel with substrate that is predominately sand and gravel with lesser amounts of cobble channel (Nelson et al. 2005).

Surface flow in San Simeon Creek within the Study Area generally occurs during the late fall through late spring with flows typically becoming intermittent between May and July, depending on water year type. Previous habitat mapping efforts found the section of San Simeon Creek within the Study Area to have diverse channel characteristics and substrate composition; however, it was treated as a single reach because it was intermittent during the 2005 survey (Nelson et al. 2005). For modeling purposes, the two distinct sections within the Study Area were treated as separate reaches. The modeling focused on the larger downstream reach (Reach 1) that extends along CCSD well field (Figure 1). While this study covered both reaches within the Study Area, modeling was limited to the Reach 1 because it is more accessible and closer to CCSD operations.

## 3 METHODS

### 3.1 Technical Advisory Committee

This project engaged stakeholders by creating a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). The TAC included individuals from the CDFW, California State Parks, California Coastal Commission, San Luis Obispo County, and the Upper Salinas-Las Tablas Resource Conservation District. The TAC provided guidance on the technical approach during study plan development.

### 3.2 Habitat Typing

Surveys to delineate aquatic habitat units were conducted in nearly 3 miles of continuous stream channel of lower San Simeon Creek. Because this section of the creek was dry at the start of this study (early December 2021), habitat mapping was conducted during the winter after flows returned to San Simeon Creek within the Study Area and the stream stage level had become stable at County Gage #718. Winter base flow conditions were targeted to facilitate the evaluation of habitat composition, while low flows made distinct habitat unit breaks most apparent. Habitat units were classified using a three-tiered habitat mapping classification system (Hawkins et al. 1993) to assist in the identification of individual habitat units in the field. Level III categories were generally modified/adopted from McCain et al. (1990). Figure 4 shows the relationship among the three levels.

Habitat mapping was conducted by a team of two biologists on foot within the two Study Reaches. Individual habitat units were designated a habitat type (e.g., riffle, run, pool) using the habitat types described in Table 4. Each habitat unit was identified where the unit length was greater than the active channel width (Flosi et al. 2010). The length of each habitat unit was measured using a hip chain, which was referenced back to a known starting point or landmark. The mapping was contiguous, so each habitat unit abutted to the next unit. Each distinct habitat unit was numbered consecutively in an upstream direction, beginning at the downstream end of the Study Reach.

Data from the habitat mapping were used to characterize each Study Reach. A single Study Reach (Reach 1) near CCSD's operations in San Simeon Creek was selected for one-dimensional (1D) modeling to assess streamflow conditions and available habitat for steelhead. Habitat typing data were used to establish study sites that were appropriate for use in the 1D model and representative of conditions throughout the Study Reach to allow for data extrapolation.

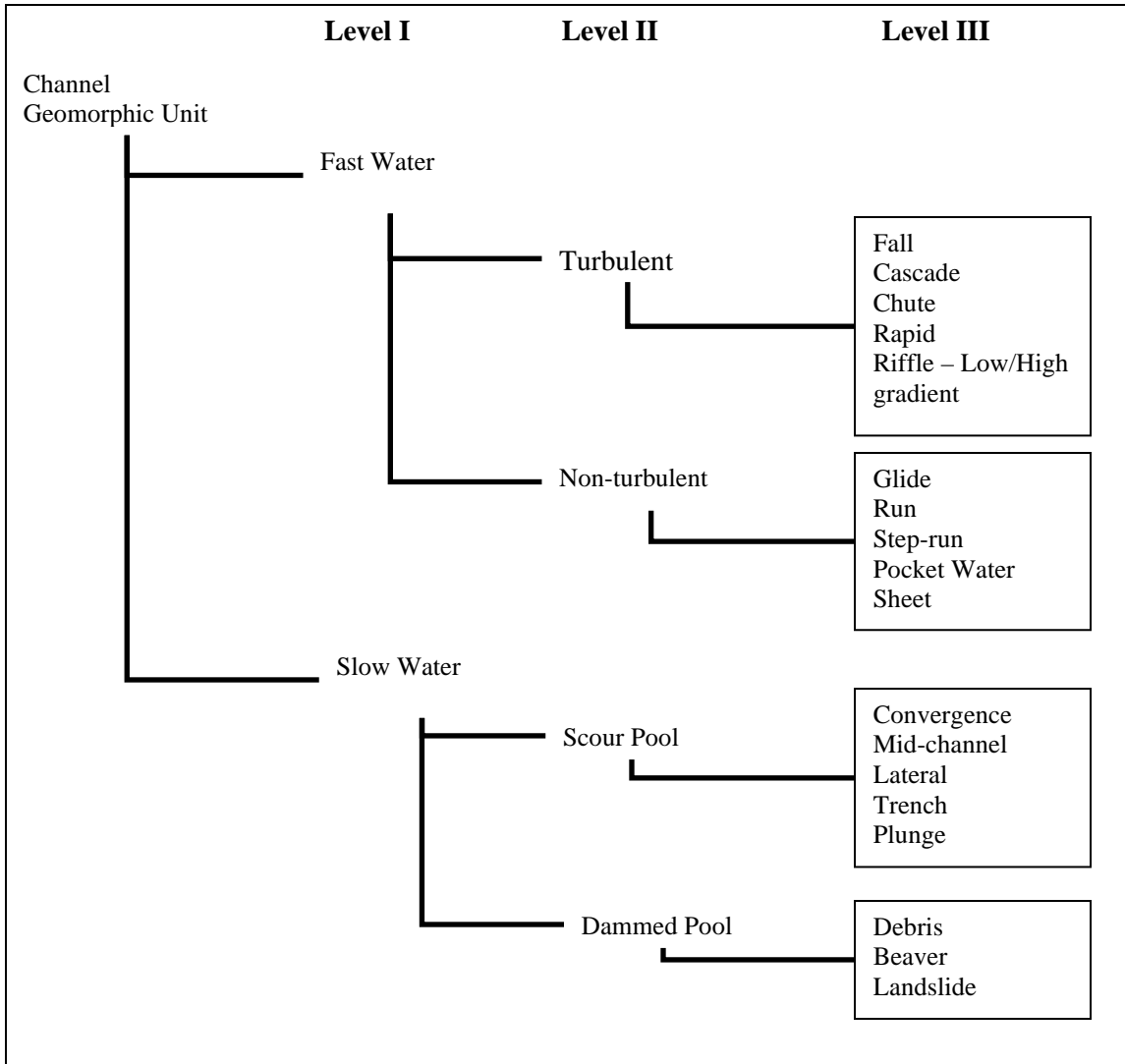


Figure 4. Three-tiered habitat mapping classification system adapted from Hawkins et al. (1993) and McCain et al. (1990).



**Table 4.** Habitat types to be used in mapping for the San Simeon Creek instream flow study (adapted from McCain et al. 1990, Armantrout 1998, Payne 1992, McMahon et al. 1996, and Hawkins et al. 1993).

<b>I. Fast Water:</b>	<b>Riffles, rapid, shallow stream sections with steep water surface gradient.</b>
<b>A. Turbulent:</b>	<b>Channel units having swift current, high channel roughness (large substrate), steep gradient, and non-laminar flow and characterized by surface turbulence.</b>
1. Fall:	Steep, vertical drop in water surface elevation. Generally not modellable.
2. Cascade:	Series of alternating small falls and shallow pools; substrate usually bedrock and boulders. Gradient high (more than 4%). Generally not modellable.
3. Chute:	Narrow, confined channel with rapid, relatively unobstructed flow and bedrock substrate.
4. Rapid:	Deeper stream section with considerable surface agitation and swift current; large boulder and standing waves often present. Generally not modellable.
5. Riffles:	Shallow, lower-gradient channel units with moderate current velocity and some partially exposed substrate (usually cobble). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low gradient—Shallow with swift flowing, turbulent water. Partially exposed substrate dominated by cobble. Gradient moderate (less than 4%).</li> <li>• High gradient—Moderately deep with swift flowing, turbulent water. Partially exposed substrate dominated by boulder. Gradient steep (greater than 4%). Generally not modellable.</li> </ul>
<b>B. Non-turbulent:</b>	<b>Channel units having low channel roughness, moderate gradient, laminar flow, and lack of surface turbulence.</b>
1. Sheet:	Shallow water flowing over smooth bedrock.
2. Run/Glide:	Shallow (glide) to deep (run) water flowing over a variety of different substrates.
3. Step Run	A sequence of runs separated by short riffle steps. Substrates are usually cobble and boulder dominated.
4. Pocket Water:	Swift flowing water with large boulder or bedrock obstructions creating eddies, small backwater, or scour holes. Gradient low to moderate.
<b>II. Slow Water:</b>	<b>Pools; slow, deep stream sections with nearly flat-water surface gradient.</b>
<b>A. Scour Pool:</b>	<b>Formed by scouring action of current.</b>
1. Trench:	Formed by scouring of bedrock.
2. Mid-channel:	Formed by channel constriction or downstream hydraulic control.
3. Convergence	Formed where two stream channels meet.
4. Lateral:	Formed where flow is deflected by a partial channel obstruction (streambank, rootwad, log, or boulder).
5. Plunge:	Formed by water dropping vertically over channel obstruction.
<b>B. Dammed Pool:</b>	<b>Water impounded by channel blockage.</b>
1. Debris:	Formed by rootwads and logs.
2. Beaver:	Formed by beaver dam.
3. Landslide:	Formed by large boulders.
4. Backwater:	Formed by obstructions along banks (recorded as a comment or note to mapping).
5. Abandoned Channel:	Formed along main channel, usually associated with gravel bars (not part of the main active channel; recorded as a comment or note to mapping).

### **3.3 Instream Flow Surveys**

The Instream Flow Incremental Methodology (IFIM) was used to evaluate the relationship between flow and habitat quantity/quality throughout Reach 1. The IFIM applies a mesohabitat (e.g. riffle, run, and pool) and transect-based approach (commonly referred to as the 1D method) for implementing the 1D modeling component of the IFIM to address flow-habitat relationships. For this analysis, the System for Environmental Flow Analysis (SEFA; Jowett et al. 2017) model was applied using a one-flow velocity calibration approach, where transect and cell-specific data were derived from field survey data. The SEFA model calculates a habitat index that reflects the area weighted suitability (AWS) (previously referred to as the weighted usable area) based on simulation of water depths and velocities from the 1D hydraulic models. Cross sections (transects) are used to represent the stream, and habitat suitability criteria (HSC) are applied which define the physical and hydraulic characteristics considered suitable for specific species and life stages. Details of the approach are provided below.

#### **3.3.1 Study site selection for one-dimensional modeling**

Study sites were selected for 1D modeling within Reach 1. Prior to study site selection, Reach 2 was removed from the process due to access limitations. The study sites for 1D modeling were selected within Reach 1 using a combination of random selection and professional judgment following the procedure outlined in CDFW (2015). The procedure is based on the number and overall proportion of habitat types and provides assurance that all major habitat types will be sampled in relative proportion to the overall reach (Table 5). To account for habitat variation within the Study Reach, Reach 1 was subdivided into three sub-sections of approximately equal length (Table 6).

Within each sub-section, the habitat unit corresponding with the least abundant mesohabitat served as the basis for random selection. These units were assigned sequential numbers, and a random number was generated for each unit. The randomly selected units were then located in the field and included as a study site if they appeared representative of that habitat type within Reach 1 and appeared to be modellable based on perpendicular flow and level water surface area. In the event a randomly selected unit was determined to be unrepresentative or not modellable, the second randomly selected unit was chosen. From that starting habitat unit, transect locations were established in adjacent habitat units (heading upstream or downstream) until the requisite number of transects was placed in the specified habitat units, as described below, to create a cluster of study sites to facilitate collection of transect data.

Table 5. Number of mesohabitat units by type for each Study Reach.

Habitat Code	Mesohabitat	Total Length (ft)	Length Relative Freq.	Number	Number Relative Freq.
<b>Reach 1</b>					
LGR	Low-gradient Riffle	1,751	21.3%	26	34.2%
GLD	Glide	1,290	15.7%	6	7.9%
RUN	Run	2,441	29.7%	21	27.6%
LSP	Lateral Scour Pool	557	6.8%	4	5.3%
MCP	Mid-channel Pool	2,181	26.5%	19	25.0%
<b>SUM</b>		<b>8,220</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Reach 2</b>					
LGR	Low-gradient Riffle	1,816	22.1%	23	38.3%
GLD	Glide	134	1.6%	1	1.7%
RUN	Run	2,157	26.2%	18	30.0%
LSP	Lateral Scour Pool	801	9.7%	4	6.7%
MCP	Mid-channel Pool	2,000	24.3%	14	23.3%
<b>SUM</b>		<b>6,908</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Table 6. Reach 1 sub-sections for transect selection.

Mesohabitat	Total Length (ft)	Length Relative Freq.	Number	Number Relative Freq.
<b>Sub-section A</b>				
Low-gradient riffle	605	23%	10	37%
Glide	324	12%	2	7%
Run	620	23%	6	22%
Pool	1,101	42%	9	33%
<b>SUM</b>		<b>2,650</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Sub-section B</b>				
Low-gradient riffle	709	25%	9	35%
Glide	634	22%	3	12%
Run	1,079	38%	8	31%
Pool	439	15%	6	23%
<b>SUM</b>		<b>2,861</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Sub-section C</b>				
Low-gradient riffle	437	16%	7	31%
Glide	332	12%	1	4%
Run	924	34%	8	35%
Pool	1,016	38%	7	30%
<b>SUM</b>		<b>2,709</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>100%</b>

### 3.3.2 Transect placement

Twelve transects were established to model three riffle, three run, three pool, and three glide habitats within Reach 1. Individual transect locations were selected in the field. Transects were placed within representative habitat types for Reach 1. For modeling purposes, individual transects were weighted to represent the proportion of each mesohabitat type (i.e., riffle, run, pool, and glide) in the reach. These proportions were calculated based on habitat unit lengths resulting from the habitat mapping data. Each habitat type was apportioned its respective length of the entire reach (e.g., riffles are 35% of the reach). To develop reach-wide estimates of habitat suitability, each transect in a habitat type was weighted equally based on the reach representation of the habitat type (e.g., each of five riffle transects would be weighted at 7% per transect if riffles represented 35% of the reach). Transect weights are shown in Table 7. Transect locations are shown in Figure 5.

Table 7. Transect weighting for San Simeon Creek instream flow study.

Habitat Type	Number of Habitat Units	Number of Transects	Reach Representation (%) <sup>a</sup>	Weight per Transect (%)
Pool	23	3	33	11
Riffle	26	3	21	7
Run	21	3	30	10
Glide	6	3	15	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>--</b>

<sup>a</sup> Habitat percentage, by length, and normalized to 100%.

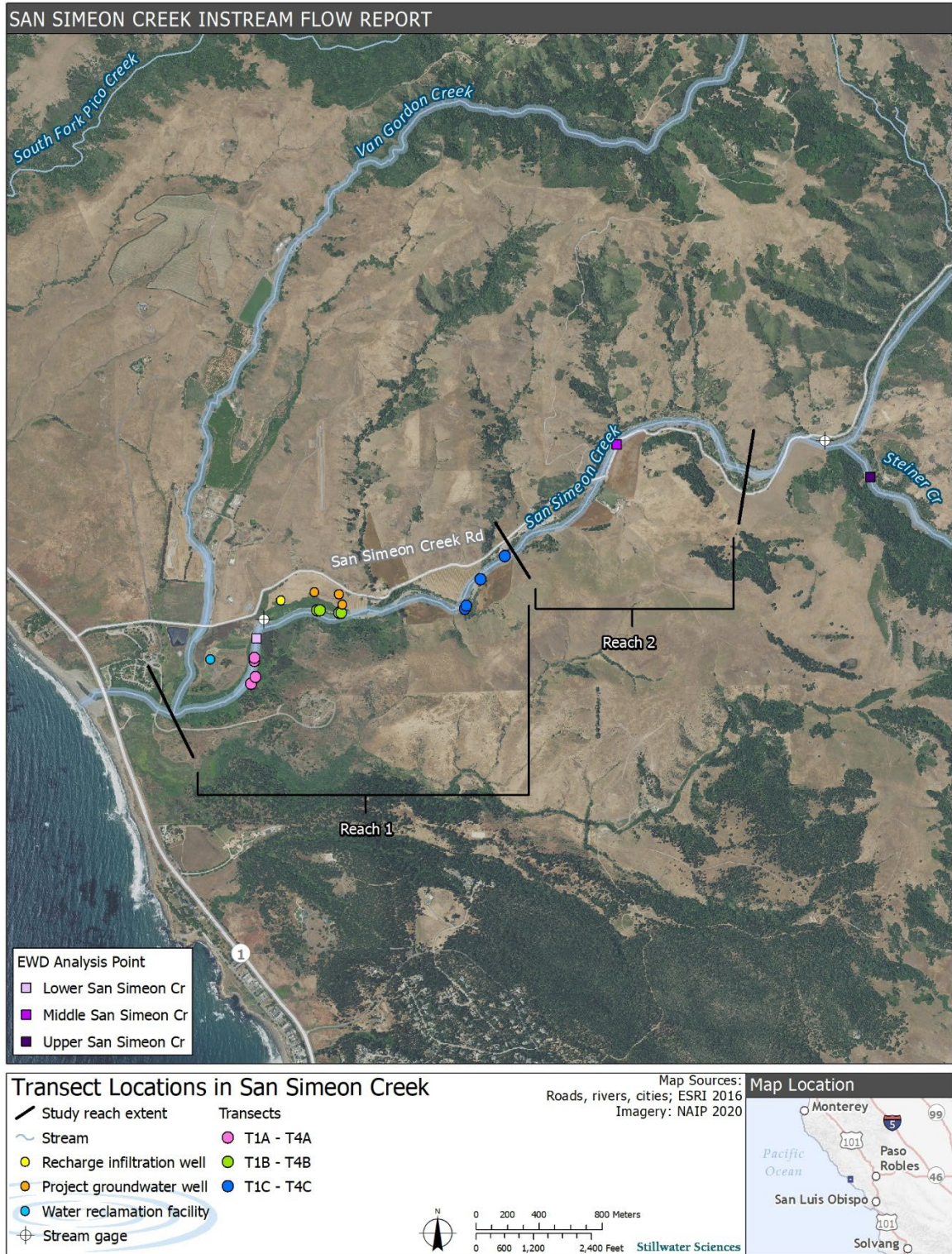


Figure 5. San Simeon Creek transect locations for one-dimensional modeling.

### 3.3.3 Hydraulic data collection and model development

Calibration flows were selected to allow the model to simulate habitat conditions over a range of flows from 0.2 cfs to 7.6 cfs. Three calibration flows were used to develop the 1D model. Calibration flows typically allow habitat index simulation to be extrapolated down 40% from the low flow and up 250% from the high flow. Therefore, calibration flows targeted a low of approximately 0.5 cfs and a high of approximately 3.0 cfs with a mid-flow between these two values (i.e., 1.25 cfs), which would allow the model to simulate habitat index values for flows ranging from 0.2 cfs to 7.6 cfs. A wider range of flows could have been included in the model simulations; however, this study focused on lower flows that are more likely to be influenced by CCSD's operations, which are based on the maximum capacity of CCSD's pumps (i.e., 1.43 cfs).

Water surface elevation (WSE) and stream discharge measurements were made at each site during each of the three separate calibration flow events. Depth and velocity were measured for calibration purposes at each transect during a single flow event (the "one flow" method). Data collection and recording were conducted using the standardized procedures and guidelines established in the IFIM field techniques manuals (Trihey and Wegner 1981, Milhous et al. 1984) and procedures described in CDFW (2013). The techniques for measuring discharge followed the guidelines outlined by CDFW (2020). The WSE (or stage) measurements were taken across each transect at three calibration flows (low, medium, and high).

Water depths and mean column water velocities were measured across each transect during the high calibration flow. The number of cells sampled for depth and velocity was based on a goal of retaining a minimum of 15–20 stations that would remain in-water at the low calibration flow. Additional data collected during the field surveys included water surface slope and stage-of-zero-flow (SZF).

#### 3.3.3.1 Velocity measurements

The standard method for determining mean column velocity was a single measurement at six-tenths of the water depth in depths less than 2.5 ft, and a two-tenths and eight-tenths measurement for depths between 2.5 ft and 4.0 ft. All three points were measured where depths exceed 4.0 ft, or where the vertical velocity distribution in the water column does not follow the standard pattern (slowing toward the substrate), and one or two points would not be adequate to derive an accurate mean column velocity. For example, an irregular vertical velocity distribution often occurs behind or adjacent to boulders or downstream from velocity chutes.

#### 3.3.3.2 Model calibration

The existing HSC developed for the Big Sur River (Holmes et al. 2014) were used for this study. The Big Sur HSC includes criteria for water depth, mean column velocity, and focal point velocity for three life stages of steelhead, including steelhead fry: (fish < 6 centimeters [cm]) and two size classes of juveniles (6–9 cm and 10–15 cm). Coordinates for HSC are provided in Appendix C.

The SEFA model, version 1.8 build 5 (Jowett et al. 2014), was used for 1D modeling during this study. Stage-discharge relationships were developed from measured discharge and stage using a SZF log/log regression formula. The SZF method requires a minimum of three sets of stage-discharge measurements and an estimate of the SZF for each transect. All transects in Reach 1 used three sets of stage-discharge measurements. The SZF estimates were based on either the thalweg depth of a transect or the thalweg depth of a downstream hydraulic control. The quality



of the stage-discharge relationships was evaluated by examination of mean error and slope output from the model.

The one-flow velocity method, using a single set of velocities collected at the high calibration flow, was used for all transects for velocity calibration. This technique uses a single set of measured velocities to predict individual cell velocities over a range of flows. Simulated velocities are based on measured data and a relationship between a fixed roughness coefficient (Manning's 'n') and depth. In some cases, roughness was modified for individual cells if substantial velocity errors were noted at simulation flows. Predicted velocities were examined to detect any significant deviations and determine whether velocities change consistently with stage and total discharge.

### 3.3.3.3 Quality control

Considerable effort was made to maintain strict quality control throughout all aspects of field data collection. To ensure quality control in the collection of field data for the San Simeon Creek instream flow study, the following procedures and protocols were used:

1. Staff plates were established and continually monitored throughout the course of collecting data on each transect. If significant changes were observed, WSEs were re-measured following collection of transect water velocity measurements.
2. Each day prior to water velocity measurements, all electromagnetic meters were calibrated as needed. Meters were continually monitored during the daily course of data collection to ensure that they were functioning properly.
3. All transects/cross sections were located using global positioning system (GPS). An independent benchmark was established for each set of transects. This benchmark was placed in either an immovable tree, boulder, or other naturally occurring object that would not be subject to tampering, vandalism, or movement. Upon establishment of headpin and tailpin elevations, a level loop was shot to check the auto-level for measurement accuracy. Allowable error tolerances on level loops were set at 0.02 ft. This tolerance was also applicable to both headpin and tailpin measurements, unless extenuating circumstances (e.g., pins under sloped banks, shots through dense foliage) explained discrepancies and the accompanying headpin or tailpin was free of excessive error. Pins were placed adjacent to the water's edge well above the high WSE, and the transects were profiled beyond the pins to an elevation estimated to be at least 250% of the high target flow.
4. Multiple WSEs were measured across complex transects (e.g., riffle, pocket water). The more complex and uneven a transect's water surface, the greater the number of measurement locations were established. For example, a riffle transect may require more frequent water surface measurements, while a pool transect may require only bank elevations. WSE measurements at each calibration flow were made at the same location across each transect.
5. All pin elevations and WSEs were calculated during field measurement and compared to previous measurements. Changes in stage since the previous flow measurement were calculated. Patterns of stage change were compared between transects and determined if reasonable. If any discrepancies were discovered, potential sources of error were explored and noted.
6. All data calculations were completed in the field (given adequate time and daylight), including pin elevations, WSEs, and discharges. Discharges were compared between all transects measured on the same day and site to ensure that each transect computed flow reasonably (<10 to 15% error) and accurately. Velocity data stations were evenly spaced,

except near abrupt velocity or depth breaks where they were more frequent. High velocity plumes also had more frequent sample stations to avoid excessive (>5% of total flow) station discharges. The total number of stations established across a transect retained at least 20 in-water stations at the lowest measured flow to permit accurate discharge simulation with extrapolation.

7. Digital photographs were taken of all transects from downstream, across (e.g., from head pin to tail pin) and from upstream at the three calibration flows. An attempt was made to shoot each photograph from the same location at each of the three levels of flow. These photographs provide a valuable record of the streamflow conditions (including velocity and depth), water surface levels, and channel configurations that could be used to confirm site conditions at the time of the hydraulic model calibration.

### **3.4 Stream Flow Analysis**

Limited streamflow data exist for San Simeon Creek. Streamflow was previously monitored at two stream gages in the San Simeon Creek watershed. The Palmer Flats Gage (formerly County Gage #14) located just upstream of the Study Area near the confluence of San Simeon Creek and Steiner Creek was operated from October 1970 through September 1995. The lower San Simeon Stream Gage (County Gage #718, formerly County Gage #22) was established by the USGS in 1987 and then operated by the county, which continued to monitor streamflow at this location until 2003 after which point the gage only recorded stream stage level.

Stream flow analysis, including exceedance curves, was performed for San Simeon Creek based on the 1970–1995 period of record for the Palmer Flats Gage. Streamflow data from the county gage was not included in this analysis because the period of record only covered a 16-year period (1987 to 2003). Palmer Flats is located just upstream of the San Simeon Creek groundwater basin and is not affected by groundwater pumping. In addition, there are no tributary inflows between Palmer Flats and the Study Area outside the rainy season. As such, streamflow at the Palmer Flats Gage indicates the maximum potential surface flow available within the Study Area during the late spring through fall, in the absence of CCSD operations. Downstream of the Palmer Flats Gage, some amount of surface flow is naturally lost to groundwater infiltration during low-flow periods (typically from spring through fall) as San Simeon Creek flows over the groundwater basin. The rate of loss in surface flow within the Study Area is likely increased during periods when CCSD groundwater pumping occurs.

Exceedance curves graphically display the probability that a flow of a given magnitude will be exceeded at a given location. Spring flows (April through June) were assessed for evaluating juvenile steelhead migration. Exceedance curves were also generated to assess low-flow conditions during critical juvenile steelhead rearing periods including spring and summer (April through September). When applied to each season, the exceedance curves provide an estimate of the percentage of time that migration or rearing flows are equaled or exceeded. Values for San Simeon Creek at Palmer Flats were generated based on mean daily gage data covering 1970–1995.

Stream flow and channel observations were recorded during surveys conducted in the late spring/early summer (May and June) where crews delineated channel locations with intermittent and dry flows within both Study Reaches. Locations of isolated pools at least 1.0 ft deep were also recorded. Photographs and GPS coordinates were recorded at the upstream and downstream ends of intermittent and dry stream sections. Maps were created to show the channel conditions during May and June.



### 3.5 Juvenile Steelhead Passage Assessment

The potential influence of CCSD operations on juvenile steelhead passage was assessed using streamflow-passage thresholds previously identified for the Study Area by D.W. Alley and Associates (1992) and the daily average streamflow data from the Palmer Flats Gage (1970–1995).<sup>2</sup> D.W. Alley and Associates (1992) concluded that streamflow ranging from 4 to 11 cfs was required to provide juvenile fish passage. For this assessment, juvenile passage conditions were assessed for both the 4-cfs threshold and the 11-cfs threshold during the peak juvenile migration season (March through May). To estimate how CCSD groundwater pumping operations may have reduced passage duration, 2 cfs was subtracted from the streamflow values recorded at the Palmer Flats Gage to account for potential loss to groundwater infiltration between the Palmer Flats Gage and CCSD wells (based on Yates and Konyenburg 1998), and additional surface flow was subtracted based on a range of groundwater extraction rates for CCSD wells. Groundwater extraction rates from a large private well (owned by Pedotti) located between the Palmer Flats Gage and CCSD groundwater wells was also included to account for cumulative loss to groundwater extractions.

This assessment included the following assumptions:

- A total of 2.0 cfs of surface flow is lost to the groundwater basin between the Palmer Flats Gage and CCSD wells.
- The range of extraction rates for CCSD wells are from a low of 0.64 cfs, which is the upper end of CCSD's average pumping rates, and a high of 1.43 cfs, which is the maximum extraction capacity of CCSD wells.
- The estimated maximum pumping rate for the Pedotti private well is 0.42 cfs.
- One hundred percent of CCSD and private pumping during March through May results in a direct equivalent streamflow reduction. For example, if CCSD pumping occurs at a rate of 0.64 cfs, then it was assumed to result in a direct streamflow reduction of 0.64 cfs (conservatively high).

Four scenarios were included in the juvenile steelhead passage assessment for each of the two streamflow passage thresholds (i.e., 4 cfs and 11 cfs). They include:

1. A total combined pumping rate of 1.85 cfs based on the maximum CCSD pumping rate of 1.43 cfs plus private well (Pedotti) pumping rate of 0.42 cfs.
2. 1.43 cfs based on the maximum CCSD pumping rate
3. 1.06 cfs pumping rate based on the upper end of CCSD's average daily pumping rate of 0.64 cfs plus the private well (Pedotti) pumping rate of 0.42 cfs.
4. 0.64 cfs which is the upper end of the average daily pumping rate CCSD

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<sup>2</sup> Juvenile fish passage conditions were assessed at the three most limiting riffles in the Study Area during the D.W. Alley and Associates (1992) assessment. All the critical riffles were identified downstream of the Palmer Flats Gage; therefore, flows identified at Palmer Flats likely differ to some degree from the flows at the three critical riffles. To account for this difference, this assessment subtracted potential surface flow loss that may occur between the Palmer Flats Gage and any flow loss due to CCSD operations and flow loss due to private groundwater well extractions.

### **3.6 San Simeon Creek Lagoon Habitat Assessment**

Existing monthly water quality and stage elevation data from San Simeon Creek Lagoon (collected by the California State Parks) was evaluated to assess the relationship between surface flow and aquatic habitat conditions for steelhead and tidewater goby in San Simeon Creek Lagoon. Water quality data collected from the San Simeon Creek Lagoon were compared with water quality criteria (e.g., temperature, dissolved oxygen, and salinity) reported to be suitable for steelhead (described in Section 2.1.1), tidewater goby (described in Section 2.1.2), and CRLF (Section 2.1.3) to assess habitat conditions for special status aquatic species.

Grab samples were collected near the water surface and just above the substrate at three locations distributed throughout the lagoon, including the lower section of the lagoon (downstream of Highway 1), the middle section of the lagoon (approximately 500 ft upstream of Highway 1), and the upper section of the lagoon (just upstream of the footbridge crossing at the State Parks Campground). In addition, observations of the lagoon berm (open versus closed) were recorded during each sampling event. Samples were typically collected each month from December 2019 through July 2022 with the exception of August 2021, December 2021, May 2022, and June 2022 when no samples were collected.

### **3.7 California Red-legged Frog Habitat Assessment**

Suitable breeding habitat for CRLF was assessed during field surveys. CRLF breeding habitat (described in Section 2.1.3) was surveyed within the Study Reach during the habitat typing surveys described under Section 3.2. Locations where suitable breeding habitat was identified were measured for maximum water depth, photographed, and flagged for follow-up measurements and observations. CRLF breeding habitat locations were surveyed during three flows concurrent with the hydraulic model field surveys ranging from approximately 0.5 cfs to approximately 3.0. Two additional surveys of the CRLF breeding locations were conducted as flows ceased and the channel became dry during May and June 2022. Maximum water depth was recorded during each survey and photographs were taken to document habitat conditions.

### **3.8 Van Gordon Creek**

Habitat surveys were expanded to include an assessment of conditions Van Gordon Creek during June 2023 while surface flows were present. The assessment included a qualitative assessment of habitat conditions for sensitive species using visual surveys and review of previous habitat surveys in Van Gordon Creek along with a review of the expanded groundwater model (Yates 2022) to evaluate how groundwater extraction could influence surface flows in Van Gordon Creek.

## 4 RESULTS

### 4.1 Habitat Characterization

Stream habitat typing was conducted in December 2021 beginning at the upstream end of the lagoon and extending approximately 2.9 miles upstream. Two distinct reaches were identified during the habitat typing survey. Reach 1 was characterized by a wide active channel flowing through gravel and sand substrate (Figure 6), while Reach 2 had a confined channel with larger substrate (Figure 7). Stream habitat in Reach 1 was primarily composed of nearly equal amounts of pool and run habitat, followed by low-gradient riffle habitat and glide habitat (Figure 8). In Reach 2, stream habitat was primarily composed of pool habitat, followed by similar amounts of run and low-gradient riffle habitat. Substrate in Reach 1 was dominated by sand and gravel, while the dominant substrate in Reach 2 was cobble followed by gravel (Figure 8).



Figure 6. Example of habitat conditions in Reach 1 showing a wide active channel with gravel and sand substrate. December 20, 2021.



Figure 7. Example of habitat conditions in Reach 2 showing confined channel and cobble substrate. December 20, 2021.

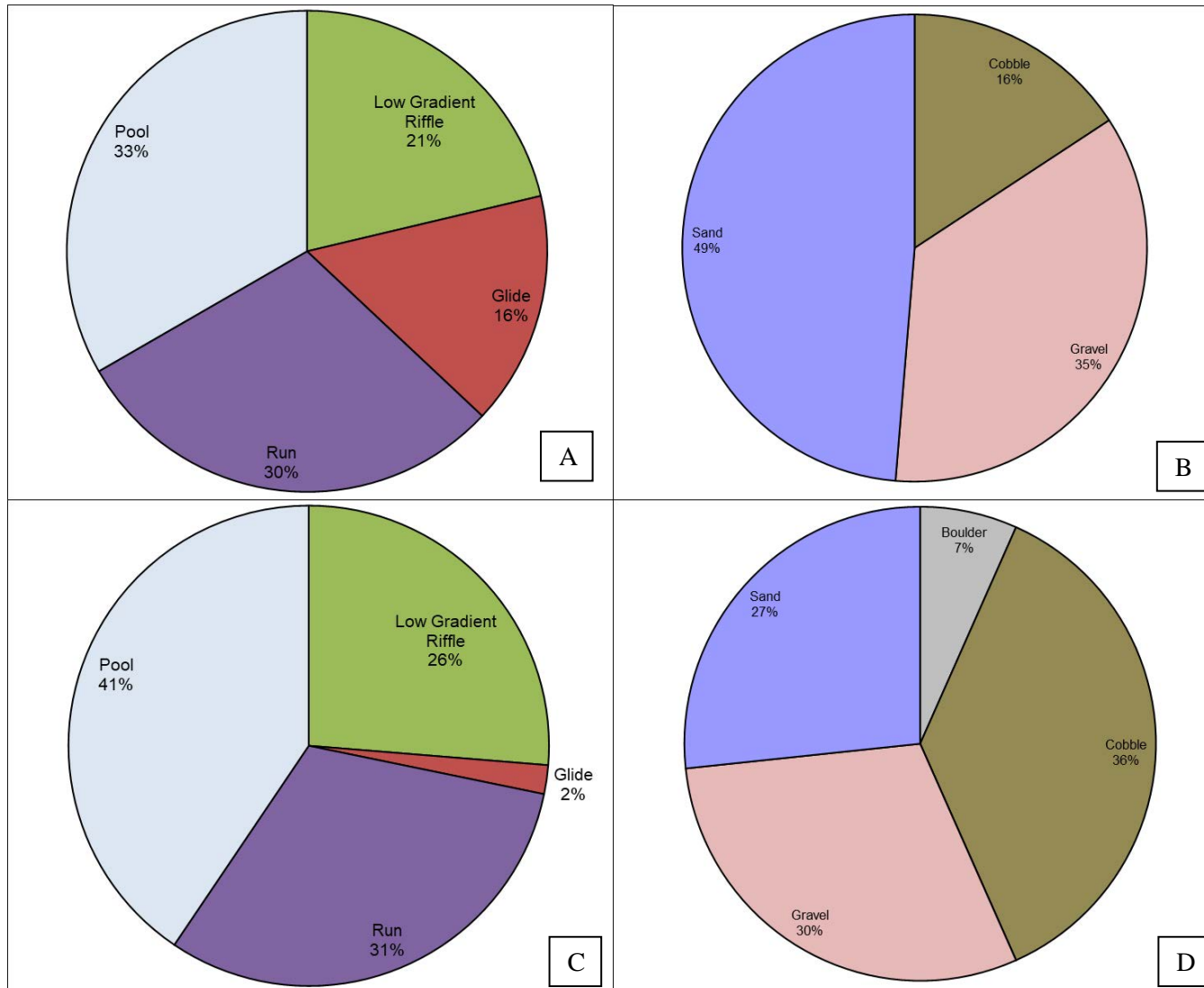


Figure 8. Habitat composition (by length) and dominant substrate in Reach 1 (A and B) and in Reach 2 (C and D).



## 4.2 Hydraulic Modeling

A total of 11 transects were used in development of the 1D model. The transects represent the variation in available steelhead habitat present in the Study Area (Figure 5).

### 4.2.1 Flow habitat relationship

Data were collected on 12 randomly selected survey transects in 2021, with three transects selected per mesohabitat type in Reach 1 of San Simeon Creek. The hydraulic calibration of 1D transects involves applying guidance standards from the literature to the model outputs to ensure the model performance meets existing standards. In situations where transect outputs did not meet the standards, the transect data were further evaluated to determine whether an error was made in the data collection or entry process, whether the stage-discharge relationship was altered between surveys by a change in the transect lateral or longitudinal profile, or whether the transect was a poor candidate for hydraulic modeling in 1D.

Based on this assessment, one survey transect had to be omitted from further analyses. Transect T4C was omitted from the modeling analysis because changes in WSE across the transect were detected at lower flows, causing poor modeling performance. The remaining 11 survey transects attained a predictive relationship for the hydraulic model. All transect locations are provided in Figure 5, with transect T4C omitted from analysis.

Results of the 1D analysis of AWS versus flow relationships for fry and juvenile steelhead rearing are presented in Figure 9 and Table 8. To facilitate comparison and analysis, the results are also presented with a normalized y-axis scale representing “percent of maximum” AWS (Figure 10). The shape of the steelhead fry curves show increasing habitat as a function of flow up until 2.4 cfs at which point habitat begins to decrease. The curves for both size classes of juvenile steelhead illustrate increasing habitat over the range of simulated flows. Flows that provide 50% of the maximum AWS include 0 cfs for steelhead fry and approximately 1 cfs for both size classes of juvenile steelhead (Figure 10 and Table 9) The analysis was based on a total of 11 transects distributed throughout the Study Reach (Table 7). Transect-specific profiles and calibration flows are shown in Appendix D; see Appendix E for modeled velocity distributions. Upstream, downstream, and cross-channel photos of all transects are presented in Appendix F.

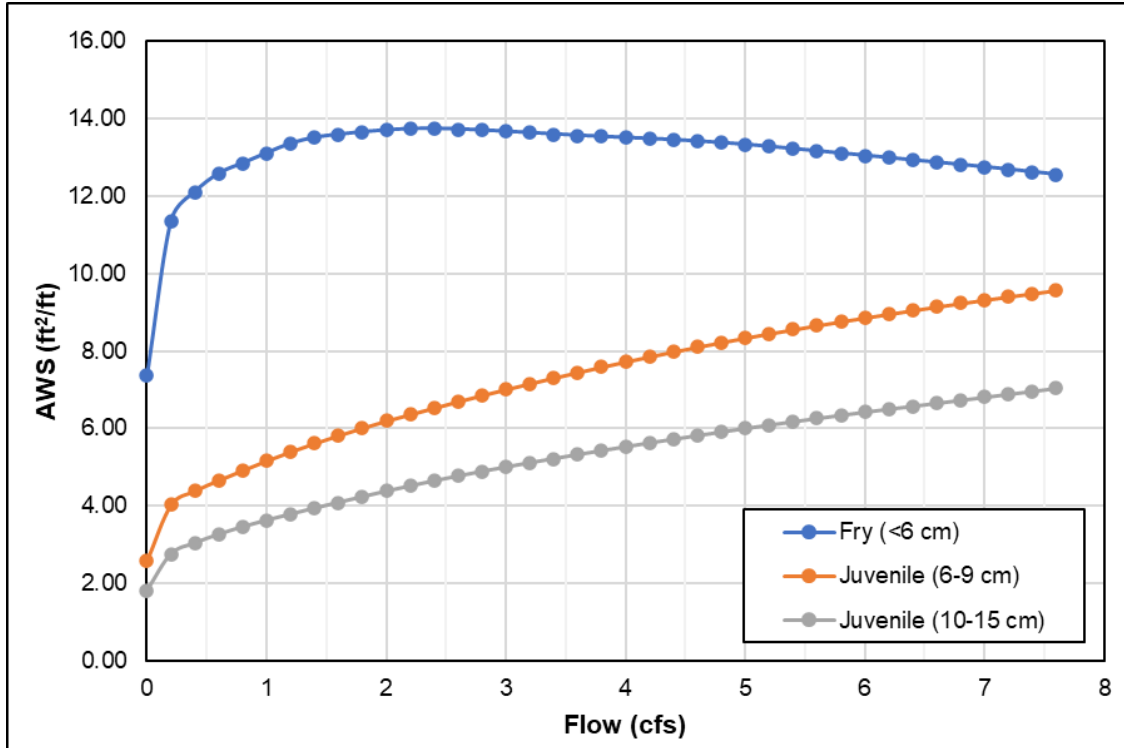


Figure 9. Flow habitat relationships (area weighted suitability) for fry and juvenile steelhead rearing in lower San Simeon Creek.

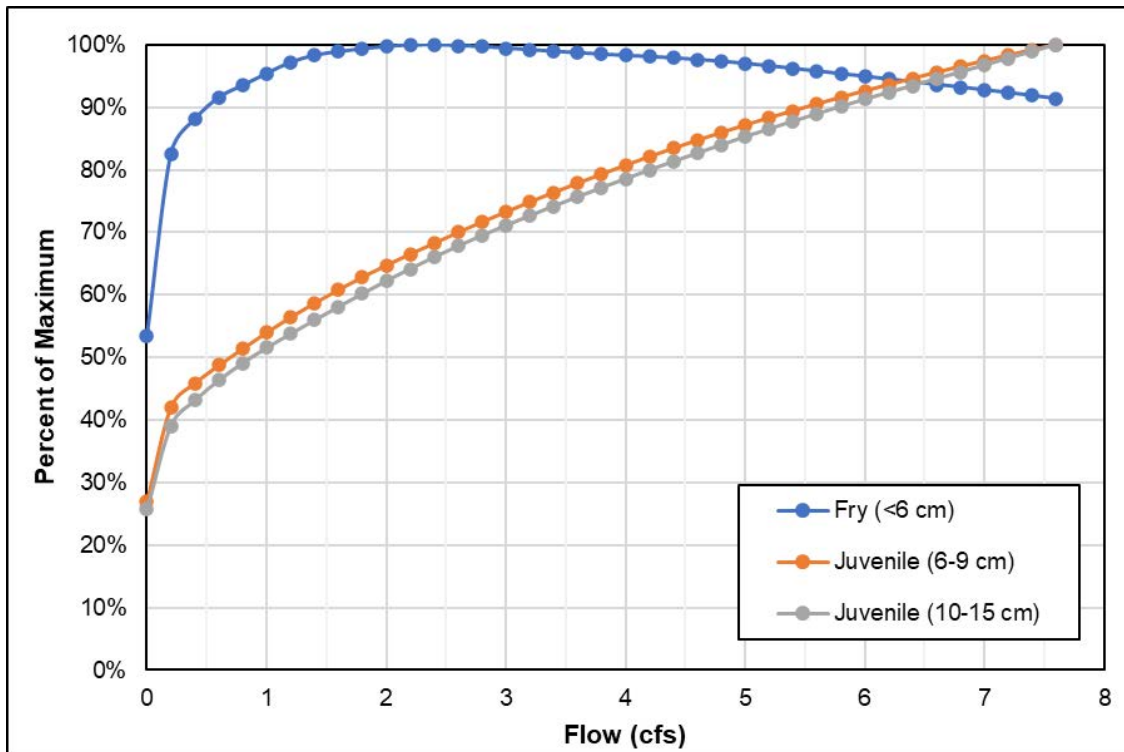


Figure 10. Percent of maximum area weighted suitability for fry and juvenile steelhead rearing in lower San Simeon Creek.

**Table 8.** Area weighted suitability (ft<sup>2</sup>/ft) and percent of maximum habitat area at modeled flows (cfs) for fry, juvenile, and juvenile steelhead rearing life stages in lower San Simeon Creek. Maximum values are underlined and highlighted in yellow.

Flow (cfs)	Area Weighted Suitability (ft <sup>2</sup> /ft)			Percent of Maximum Area Weighted Suitability		
	Fry (<6 cm)	Juvenile (6–9 cm)	Juvenile (10–15 cm)	Fry (<6 cm)	Juvenile (6–9 cm)	Juvenile (10–15 cm)
0.0	7.36	2.58	1.81	54%	27%	26%
0.2	11.36	4.03	2.75	83%	42%	39%
0.4	12.11	4.39	3.03	88%	46%	43%
0.6	12.59	4.67	3.26	92%	49%	46%
0.8	12.85	4.92	3.46	93%	51%	49%
1.0	13.11	5.17	3.63	95%	54%	52%
1.2	13.36	5.40	3.78	97%	56%	54%
1.4	13.51	5.62	3.94	98%	59%	56%
1.6	13.59	5.82	4.09	99%	61%	58%
1.8	13.66	6.01	4.24	99%	63%	60%
2.0	13.71	6.20	4.38	100%	65%	62%
2.2	13.74	6.37	4.52	100%	67%	64%
2.4	<u>13.75</u>	6.53	4.65	<u>100%</u>	68%	66%
2.6	13.73	6.70	4.77	100%	70%	68%
2.8	13.70	6.86	4.89	100%	72%	69%
3.0	13.67	7.01	5.00	99%	73%	71%
3.2	13.64	7.16	5.11	99%	75%	73%
3.4	13.60	7.31	5.22	99%	76%	74%
3.6	13.57	7.45	5.32	99%	78%	76%
3.8	13.54	7.59	5.43	98%	79%	77%
4.0	13.51	7.72	5.53	98%	81%	79%
4.2	13.48	7.86	5.63	98%	82%	80%
4.4	13.45	7.98	5.72	98%	83%	81%
4.6	13.42	8.11	5.82	98%	85%	83%
4.8	13.38	8.22	5.91	97%	86%	84%
5.0	13.33	8.34	6.00	97%	87%	85%
5.2	13.28	8.45	6.09	97%	88%	87%
5.4	13.22	8.56	6.17	96%	89%	88%
5.6	13.17	8.66	6.26	96%	91%	89%
5.8	13.11	8.76	6.34	95%	92%	90%
6.0	13.05	8.86	6.42	95%	93%	91%
6.2	12.99	8.96	6.50	95%	94%	92%
6.4	12.93	9.05	6.58	94%	95%	93%
6.6	12.87	9.14	6.65	94%	96%	95%
6.8	12.81	9.23	6.73	93%	97%	96%
7.0	12.75	9.32	6.81	93%	97%	97%
7.2	12.69	9.41	6.88	92%	98%	98%
7.4	12.63	9.49	6.96	92%	99%	99%
7.6	12.56	<u>9.57</u>	<u>7.04</u>	91%	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>

Notes: cfs = cubic feet per second; cm = centimeter; ft<sup>2</sup>/ft = square foot per foot



Table 9. Area weighted suitability (ft<sup>2</sup>/ft) for steelhead rearing in lower San Simeon Creek.

Steelhead Life Stage	Flow for Maximum Area Weighted Suitability (cfs)	Flow for 50% of Maximum Area Weighted Suitability (cfs)
Fry	2.4	0.0
Juvenile (6–9 cm)	7.6	0.8
Juvenile (10–15 cm)	7.6	1.0

Notes: cfs = cubic feet per second; cm = centimeter; ft<sup>2</sup>/ft = square foot per foot

The SZF rating statistics were favorable for most of the 11 transects used in the mode with the standard calibration metrics of beta exponents between 2 and 5 and percent mean errors <10% (Table 10). Coefficients greater than 5 were observed at four transects and a single transect had a mean error greater than 10%. However, based on a comparison of measured and simulated WSE, these variances would not significantly influence AWS results (Table 11). The log/log rating curves were created by fitting the line through the survey flow, thus the measured and simulated WSE are the same for the survey flow. The average difference between the calibration and simulated WSE is 0.01 ft for mid flow (Calibration 1) and 0.00 ft for low flow (Calibration 2). The greatest difference between measured and simulated WSE was 0.02 ft for middle flow and 0.01 ft for low flow.

All predicted WSEs were within the threshold in the USFWS guidelines for the Physical Habitat Simulation System, or PHABSIM, which recommends a difference of 0.1 ft or less (USFWS 1994) between surveyed and modeled WSE (Table 11). Velocities for each reach were simulated using the recommended range up to 2.5 times the highest measured flow (USGS 2001).

Table 10. Stage-of-zero-flow ratings for survey transects.

Transect# and Habitat Type	Selected Rating	Exponent	Constant (A)	SZF	R <sup>2</sup>	Mean Error
1A glide	SZF rating	5.67	14.71	97.12	0.999	2.19
2A run	SZF rating	6.95	1,371.92	98.05	0.992	5.63
3A pool	SZF rating	2.94	25.02	98.65	0.998	2.61
4A glide	SZF rating	3.24	64.06	100.14	0.991	5.54
1B run	SZF rating	4.06	59.64	197.34	1.000	1.20
2B riffle	SZF rating	4.19	127.95	197.43	0.999	2.19
3B pool	SZF rating	3.75	35.02	199.18	0.999	2.01
4B riffle	SZF rating	6.55	13,411.81	199.87	0.976	10.15
1C riffle	SZF rating	5.91	90.52	295.16	0.995	3.98
2C run	SZF rating	4.47	47.51	295.91	1.000	0.71
3C pool	SZF rating	4.70	69.70	300.81	0.971	9.78
4C glide	SZF rating	<del>2.15</del>	<del>7.04</del>	<del>301.06</del>	<del>0.801</del>	<del>28.41</del>

\* Transect 4C was removed from analysis because the percent mean error was >10% (indicated by strikethrough).

Table 11. Survey and calibration flow water surface elevation details for survey transects.

Transect# and Habitat Type	WSE at Calibration Flow 1 (0.52 cfs)			WSE at Calibration Flow 2 (1.54 cfs)		
	Measured	Modeled	Difference	Measured	Modeled	Difference
1A glide	97.68	97.67	0.01	97.78	97.79	0.01
2A run	98.37	98.37	0.00	98.43	98.43	0.00
3A pool	98.92	98.92	0.00	99.02	99.04	0.02
4A glide	100.37	100.37	0.00	100.44	100.46	0.02
1B run	197.65	197.65	0.00	197.74	197.75	0.01
2B riffle	197.70	197.70	0.00	197.77	197.78	0.01
3B pool	199.51	199.51	0.00	199.60	199.61	0.01
4B riffle	200.08	200.08	0.00	200.13	200.12	0.01
1C riffle	295.58	295.58	0.00	295.65	295.66	0.01
2C run	296.27	296.27	0.00	296.37	296.37	0.00
3C pool	301.17	301.16	0.01	301.23	301.25	0.02
<del>4C glide</del>	<del>301.41</del>	<del>301.36</del>	<del>0.05</del>	<del>301.43</del>	<del>301.55</del>	<del>0.12</del>

Notes: cfs = cubic feet per second; WSE = water surface elevation

\* Transect 4C failed the WSE standard and was removed from analysis (indicated by strikethrough).

### 4.3 Stream Flow Analysis

Palmer Flats is located at the upstream end of the groundwater basin and represents unimpaired (i.e., without influence of CCSD's operations) surface flows entering the Study Area. Note that flows at Palmer Flats during the spring and summer are generally expected to be higher than flows within the Study Area even under natural conditions due to the loss of surface flows to groundwater infiltration that naturally occurs where San Simeon Creek flows over the groundwater basin and the lack of tributary inflow or other contributions in this section of stream. Streamflow exceedance curves show streamflow at Palmer Flats during the spring is often below the 11-cfs and 4-cfs juvenile migration thresholds identified by D. W. Alley and Associates (1992) (Figure 11). By early summer (June–July), streamflow at Palmer Flats ceases in most years (Figure 12), and during late summer (August–September), surface flows are uncommon (Figure 13), suggesting that conditions to support juvenile steelhead over-summer rearing in the Study Area are also uncommon.

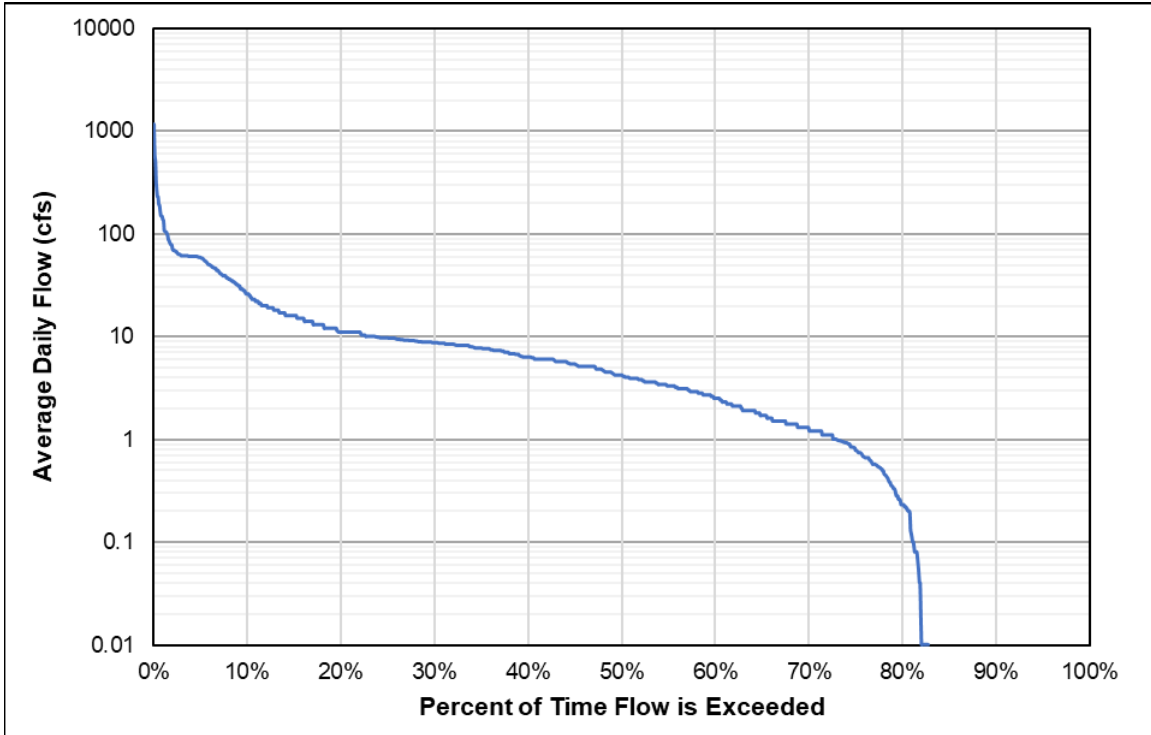


Figure 11. Palmer Flats streamflow exceedance for April and May based on flows from 1970 through 1995.

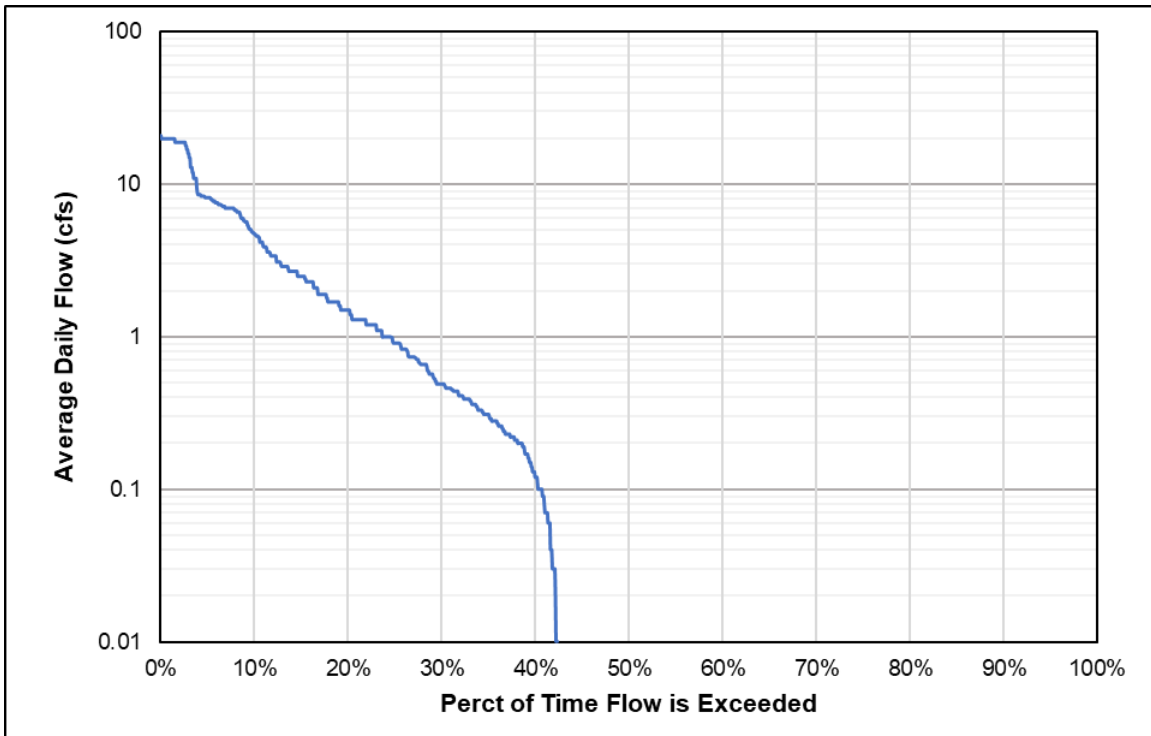


Figure 12. Palmer Flats streamflow exceedance for June and July based on flows from 1970 through 1995.

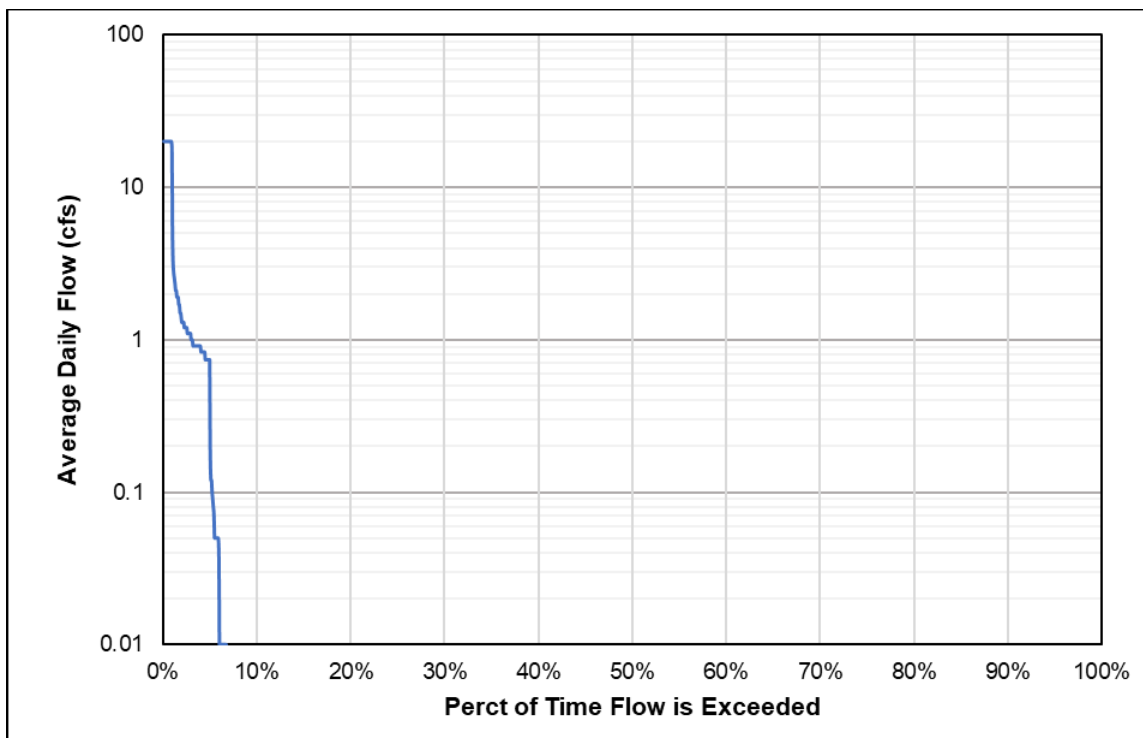
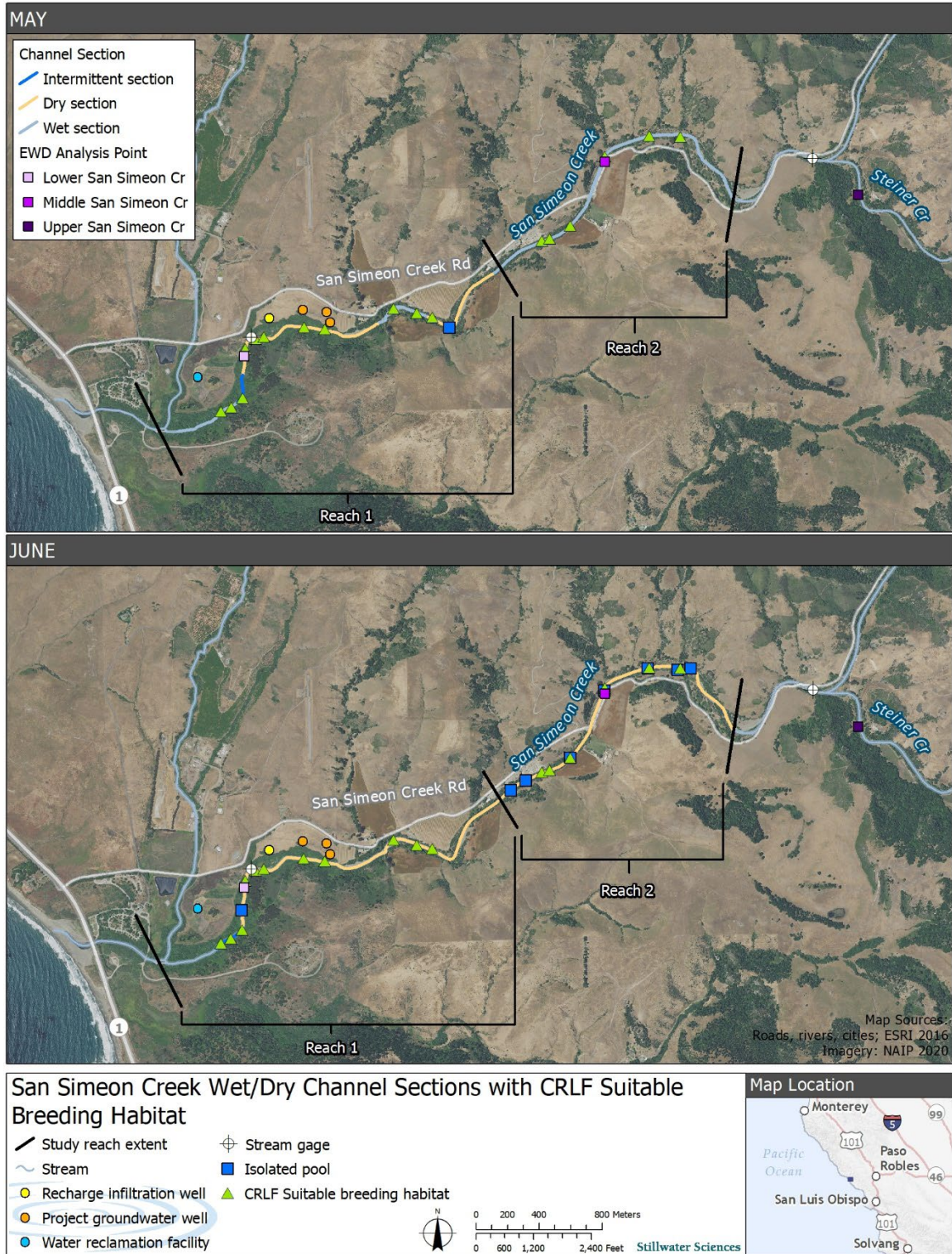


Figure 13. Palmer Flats streamflow exceedance for August and September based on flows from 1970 through 1995.

During this study, disconnected surface flows were first observed in the Study Area during April field surveys. By May 12, 2022, a large section of Reach 1 had become dry with a short section of intermittent flow and a single isolated pool, while Reach 2 remained wet throughout (Figure 14). By June 21, 2022, most of the channel within the Study Area was dry. In Reach 1, only a small section of channel upstream of the lagoon remained wet along with a single small, isolated pool (Figure 15), while nearly all of Reach 2 was dry with the exception of a few isolated pools (Figure 16).



Note: CRLF = California red-legged frog

Figure 14. Dry and intermittent sections observed in San Simeon Creek during May and June 2022 with locations of isolated pools and locations where suitable California red-legged frog breeding habitat was observed during winter surveys.





Figure 15. Isolated pool habitat in Reach 1 on May 12, 2022 (top) and on June 21, 2022 (bottom).



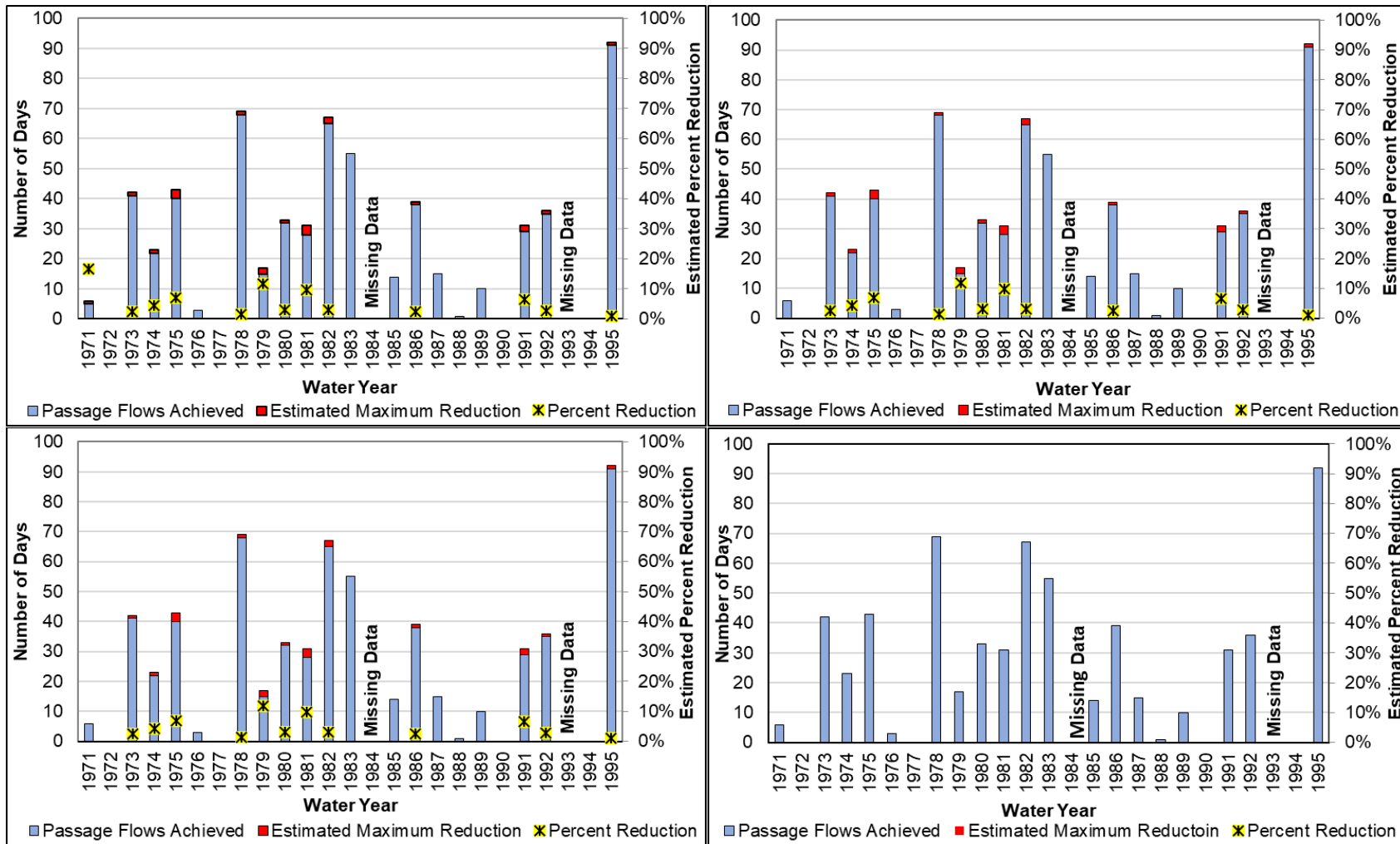


Figure 16. Isolated pool habitat in Reach 2 on May 12, 2022 (top) and on June 21, 2022 (bottom).

#### **4.4 Juvenile Steelhead Passage Assessment**

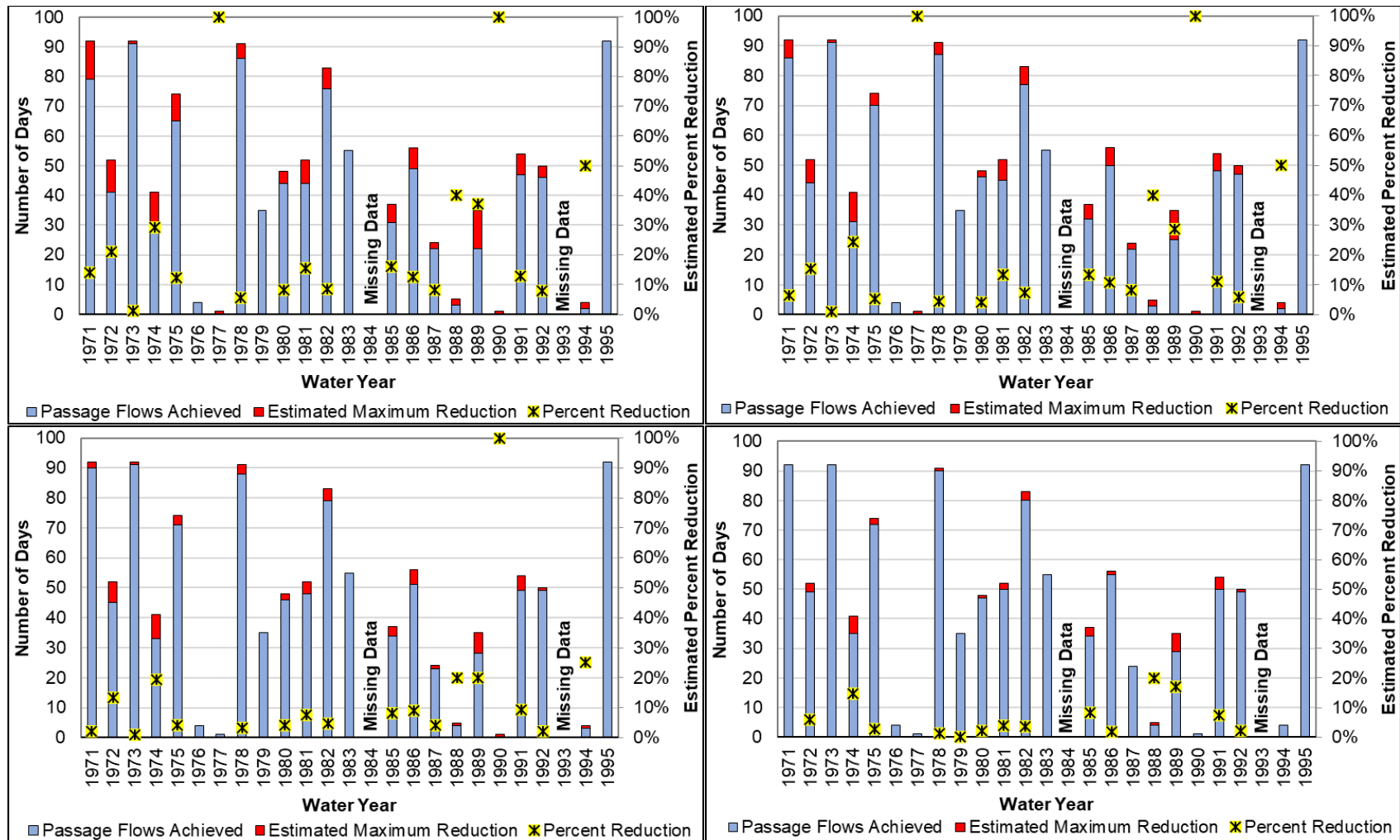
CCSD's groundwater pumping did not appear to have a strong influence on juvenile steelhead passage conditions during the peak migration season (March through May) under most scenarios that were assessed. During the higher juvenile fish passage threshold of 11 cfs, the analysis showed very little influence on juvenile passage duration (Figure 17) for all four scenarios assessed. At the lower passage flow threshold of 4 cfs, estimated reductions in juvenile fish passage duration were more apparent. At the maximum CCSD extraction rate, during several years, the estimated maximum reduction in passage days was greater than 10% with and without the private well pumping included. Under the average CCSD pumping scenarios, passage was less affected by pumping, and most years had less than a 10% loss of juvenile steelhead passage days (Figure 18).





Notes: CCSD = Cambria Community Services District; cfs = cubic feet per second

Figure 17. Number of days streamflow supported the 11-cfs passage threshold and the estimated maximum reduction in passage days for juvenile steelhead based on daily average flows recorded at the Palmer Flats Gage (1970-1995) during the peak juvenile steelhead migration season (March-May) under the following pumping scenarios: (A) maximum CCSD and private well pumping of 1.85 cfs, (B) maximum CCSD pumping of 1.43 cfs, (C) average CCSD pumping and maximum private well pumping of 1.06 cfs, and (D) average CCSD pumping of 0.64 cfs.



Notes: CCSD = Cambria Community Services District; cfs = cubic feet per second

Figure 18. Number of days streamflow supported the 4-cfs passage threshold and the estimated maximum reduction in passage days for juvenile steelhead based on daily average flows recorded at the Palmer Flats Gage (1970-1995) during the peak juvenile steelhead migration season (March-May) under the following pumping scenarios: (A) maximum CCSD and private well pumping of 1.85 cfs, (B) maximum CCSD pumping of 1.43 cfs, (C) average CCSD pumping and maximum private well pumping of 1.06 cfs, and (D) average CCSD pumping of 0.64 cfs.

#### 4.5 California Red-legged Frog Habitat

Suitable breeding habitat for CRLF was abundant and widespread during the December 2021 habitat surveys conducted in Reach 1 and Reach 2 (Table 12). Most of the suitable CRLF breeding habitat was found in pool habitat that continued to meet the depth criteria for CRLF breeding even as flows decreased to almost 0 cfs. However, once flows ceased, pool habitat began to dry with only a few isolated pools remaining wet into June (Figure 14). While CRLF breeding season is typically in the winter and spring, breeding locations need to remain wetted until the tadpoles complete their metamorphosis into terrestrial forms (typically through July or August). Locations where CRLF breeding habitat remained wetted into June were limited to the downstream end of Reach 1 near the lagoon and multiple locations within Reach 2 (Figure 14). Examples of suitable CRLF breeding habitat that went dry between May and June 2022 are shown in Figure 19.

Table 12. California red-legged frog breeding habitat identified in lower San Simeon Creek during December 2021.

Reach	Habitat Unit	Avg Length (ft)	Avg Width (ft)	Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Avg Depth (ft)	Max Depth (ft)	Habitat Type	Emergent Veg. Type
1	7	389	30	11,670	2.5	4.5	Off channel Pool	Willow
	9	146	23	3,358	1.0	2.4	Run	Willow
	12	91	25	2,275	1.0	2.0	MCP	Willow
	20	126	18	2,268	0.9	2.3	MCP	Willow
	26	152	18	2,736	3.0	4.5	MCP	Willow
	35	122	30	3,660	1.0	2.0	Run	Willow
	39	182	30	5,460	1.5	2.5	Run	Willow
	53	129	25	3,225	1.5	3.4	MCP	Branches
	58	177	35	6,195	1.8	2.8	Run	Willow
	61	152	30	4,560	2.5	3.6	Run	Willow
2	86	110	25	2,750	2.0	3.2	MCP	Willow
	88	270	40	10,800	2.7	4.2	MCP	Willow
	90	164	27	4,428	2.5	4.0	MCP	Willow
	112	153	50	7,650	4.0	7.5	Off channel Pool	Cattails
	122	243	30	7,290	2.8	4.5	LSP	Willow

Notes: ft = foot; ft<sup>2</sup> = square foot; LSP = lateral scour pool; MCP = midchannel pool





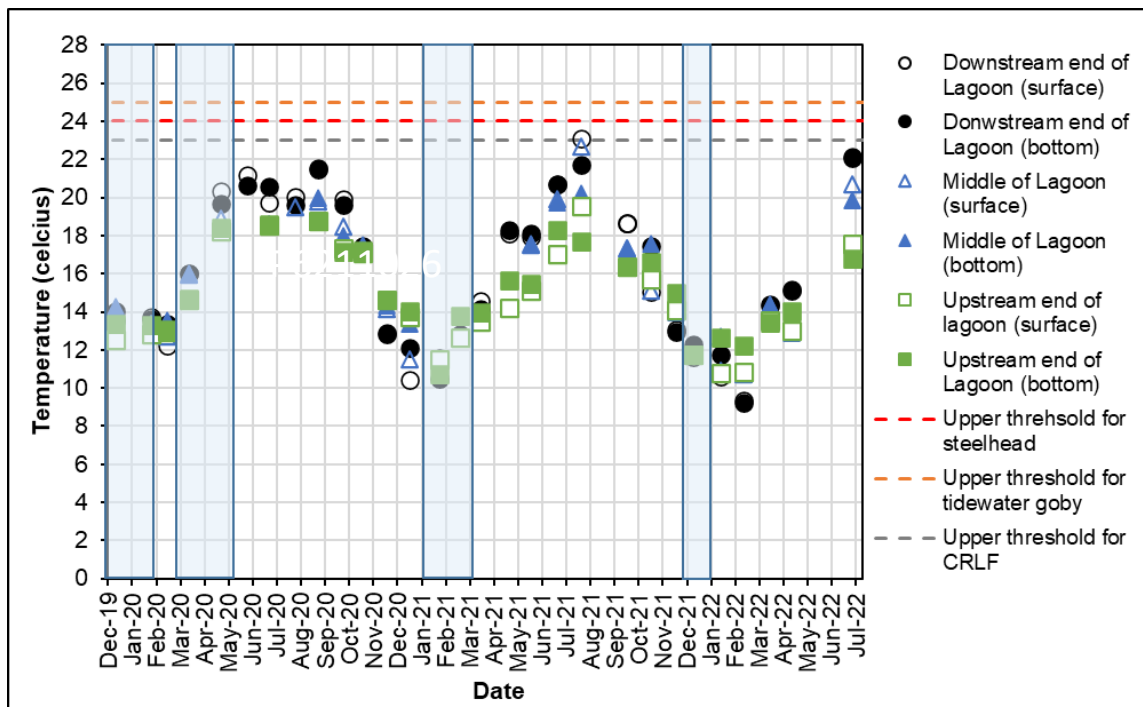
**Figure 19.** Locations of suitable California red-legged frog breeding habitat that remained wetted on May 12, 2022 (top left), was dry on June 27, 2022 (top right), and remained wetted throughout the survey (bottom).

#### 4.6 San Simeon Creek Lagoon Conditions

Water quality conditions in San Simeon Creek Lagoon are generally within the suitable range for sensitive species that are likely to occur there (steelhead, tidewater goby, and CRLF) based on data collected from December 2019 through July 2022. Water temperatures were below the upper thresholds for all three species throughout the water column (Figure 20). Dissolved oxygen and salinity levels were within suitable range for all species during most of the monitoring period with a few exceptions as described below.

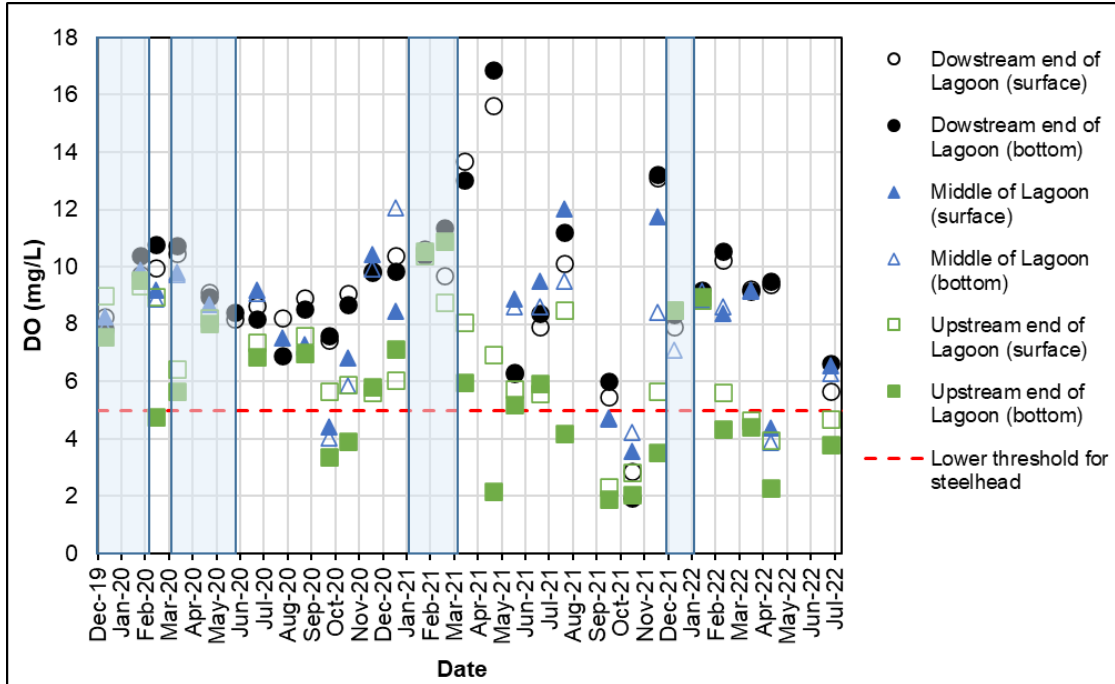
Dissolved oxygen levels were below the threshold for steelhead in at least one sample location within the lagoon a few times per year and typically during the late summer/early fall months when streamflow entering the lagoon is at its lowest (Figure 20). In nearly each event when dissolved oxygen levels dropped below the threshold for steelhead, other locations within the lagoon had higher dissolved oxygen within suitable levels for steelhead. On a single occasion in October 2021, all sample locations within the lagoon had dissolved oxygen levels below the 5.0-mg/L threshold for steelhead.

Salinity levels in San Simeon Lagoon were rarely above the threshold for any of the three species likely to occur there. The few times salinity levels did exceed the thresholds for sensitive species, it occurred during the late fall and early winter typically when the lagoon was observed to be open to the ocean (Figure 21). During each event when salinity levels were exceeded the threshold for steelhead, tidewater goby, and CRLF, other locations had lower salinity levels that were within suitable levels for these species.



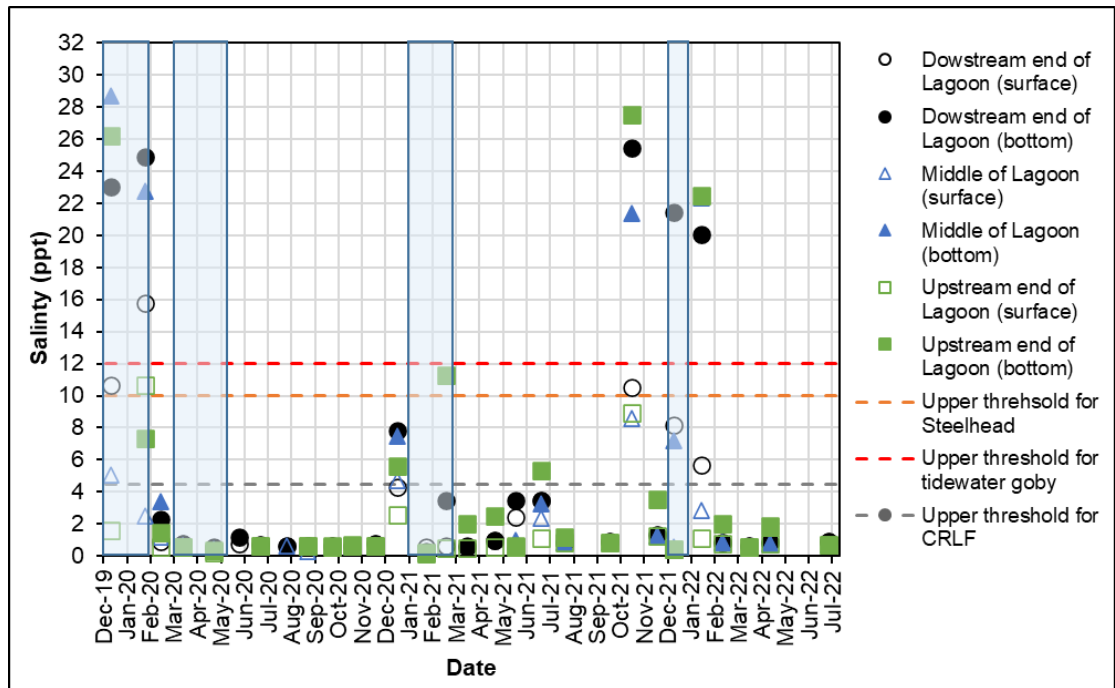
Note: Blue shading indicates periods when the lagoon was open to the ocean during sample events.

Figure 20. Monitoring results for water temperature in San Simeon Creek Lagoon from December 2019 through July 2022 with upper thresholds for steelhead, tidewater goby, and California red-legged frog.



Notes: No values reported for lower thresholds for tidewater goby, and California red-legged frog. Blue shading indicates periods when the lagoon was open to the ocean during sample events. DO = dissolved oxygen.

Figure 21. Monitoring results for dissolved oxygen levels in San Simeon Creek Lagoon from December 2019 through July 2022 with lower thresholds for steelhead.



Note: Blue shading indicates periods when the lagoon was open to the ocean during sample events.

Figure 22. Monitoring results for salinity in San Simeon Creek Lagoon from December 2019 through July 2022 with upper thresholds for steelhead.



#### 4.7 Van Gordon Creek

A qualitative assessment of habitat conditions for sensitive species in Van Gordon Creek was conducted on June 5, 2023, following a late rainy season when surface flows were estimated to be around 0.2 cfs. The survey began at the mouth of Van Gordon Creek and extended upstream approximately 0.4 miles to the first road crossing (San Simeon Creek Road). The channel was generally highly incised, lacked instream woody debris, substrate was fine sand and silt, and lacked pool habitat (Figure 23). It appeared that conditions provide limited habitat for steelhead and CRLF due to lack of deep water (>1 ft) pools to support juvenile steelhead rearing and CRLF breeding, little to no habitat complexity (i.e., it is mostly shallow run habitat), and limited cover that provides refuge habitat for aquatic species and protection from predators. A few pools containing suitable habitat for juvenile rearing were observed over the approximately 0.4-mile section of Van Gordon Creek (Figure 24) but year-round rearing is not likely to be supported.



Figure 23. Representative habitat conditions in Van Gordon Creek observed on June 5, 2023.





Figure 24. Limited suitable steelhead rearing habitat with cover, and water > 1 ft deep observed in Van Gordon Creek, June 5, 2024.

CCSD's pumping near Van Gordon Creek (at Well 9P7) only occurs when the WRF is operational, which is limited to the dry season when surface flows are not present in lower San Simeon Creek or Van Gordon Creek. During periods when surface flows may be present in Van Gordon Creek, CCSD's pumping is restricted to CCSD well field approximately 0.80 mile upstream from Van Gordon Creek. Groundwater model simulations show limited fluctuations in the groundwater levels around the confluence of San Simeon and Van Gordon Creek during WRF operations, mainly because of the stabilizing effects of the lagoon and nearby recycled water percolation (Yates 2022). Based on the groundwater levels recorded near Van Gordon Creek (16D1 and 9P2) and groundwater model simulations, CCSD's groundwater pumping operations are not likely to influence surface flows or habitat conditions for steelhead and CRLF in Van Gordon Creek.



## 5 CONCLUSIONS

The lower reach of San Simeon Creek provides potential migratory and rearing habitat for steelhead in the winter and spring, and this habitat often becomes constrained during the late spring and disappears during the summer and fall when surface flows cease. Available stream flow data at Palmer Flats Gage (1970 to 1995) and County Gage #718 (1987 to 2003) indicate that most of lower San Simeon Creek within the Study Area (from the Palmer Flats Gage downstream to approximately the confluence with Van Gordon Creek) would naturally (i.e., without CCSD groundwater pumping) go dry for extended periods during the summer through fall of most years. While the section of San Simeon Creek within the Study Area often experiences extended periods when the channel is dry, results of the hydraulic modeling show that sufficient habitat is available for steelhead fry and juveniles even during very low-flow conditions (i.e., flows less than 0.5 cfs for fry and 1 cfs or above for juvenile).

In contrast to the assessment of the Palmer Flats Gage data, which indicates that lower San Simeon Creek likely goes dry for extended periods during most years even without CCSD's pumping, the modeling conducted by Boughton and Goslin (2006) predicated a high potential for juvenile steelhead summer rearing habitat throughout San Simeon Creek, including the lower reach within the Study Area. It is possible that Boughton and Goslin's modeled results reflects conditions that occurred more than 50 years ago, since available empirical data show that these conditions have not occurred for at least the last 50 years. Based on this analysis, the lowermost analysis points used in the EWD study (Stillwater Sciences 2014) should be relocated upstream of the groundwater basin to the confluence of Steiner Creek or adjusted to reflect the intermittent flow conditions in lower San Simeon Creek.

Based on CCSD's pumping capacity of 1.43 cfs and streamflow of 1 cfs required to provide juvenile steelhead rearing habitat, CCSD's pumping operations have the potential to reduce the amount and quality of juvenile steelhead rearing habitat within the Study Area at flows less than 2.5 cfs (i.e., at 2.43 cfs or less), depending on the rate of pumping that occurs. Whenever pumping reduces surface flows to less than 1 cfs, the presence of juvenile rearing habitat will be reduced, and if pumping occurs at the maximum rate (1.43 cfs) when flows are less than 1.5 cfs, rearing habitat could become dry, resulting in stranding and mortality of individuals. In contrast, when surface flows are greater than 2.5 cfs, or once streamflow decreases to 0.0 cfs (and the channel becomes dry), CCSD's operations are unlikely to substantially reduce steelhead rearing habitat. The same conclusions also apply to the operations of the private wells that are outside CCSD's management jurisdiction.

Migration conditions for steelhead within the Study Area are generally not impacted under CCSD's current operations. Adult steelhead passage, which requires high flows (21–60 cfs [D. W. Alley and Associates 1992]) associated with large precipitation events, are not likely to be influenced by CCSD's average pumping rates ranging from 0.41 cfs to 0.64 cfs, or even the maximum pumping rate of 1.43 cfs. Juvenile steelhead passage requires lower flows than adult passage (4–11 cfs based on D. W. Alley and Associates 1992), typical of the spring recession flows. Little influence on passage conditions were identified for the upper passage threshold (11 cfs) under the range of CCSD pumping operations (Figure 17); however, CCSD pumping may influence juvenile passage conditions at the lower passage threshold of 4 cfs if pumping exceeds the upper end of CCSD's average pumping rates (i.e., if pumping occurs at a rate above 0.64 cfs) (Figure 18). When streamflow within the Study Area is near 4 cfs CCSD pumping at rates greater than 0.64 cfs may lead to a reduced duration of the juvenile steelhead migration period. Because

4 cfs was identified as the lower threshold for juvenile steelhead migration, pumping is not expected to influence juvenile migration when streamflow drops below 4 cfs.

In addition to steelhead, the Study Area provides abundant suitable breeding habitat for CRLF because any isolated pool locations stay wet well after surface flows cease. When streamflow is less than 1.5 cfs, CCSD's pumping operations are likely to increase the rate at which pool habitat becomes isolated and pools dry out, leading to stranded CRLF tadpoles. Additional suitable habitat for CRLF is located in San Simeon Creek Lagoon.

Based on water temperature, dissolved oxygen, and salinity levels reported throughout most of the year, habitat conditions in San Simeon Creek Lagoon are suitable for juvenile steelhead, tidewater goby, and CRLF under current conditions. During the few events when water quality thresholds are exceeded for any of these species, other locations within the lagoon were still within the suitable range.

Key conclusions of this study follow:

- CCSD's pumping operations are not expected to influence adult steelhead migration in San Simeon Creek due to the magnitude of flow required to support adult steelhead passage.
- CCSD's pumping operations likely have little effect on juvenile downstream passage within San Simeon Creek during the migratory period. However, if CCSD's pumping operations were to exceed the recent average rates of 0.64 cfs, juvenile passage conditions may be affected particularly during the peak juvenile migration season (i.e., during April and May).
- CCSD's pumping operations that occur when flows in Reach 1 are between 1 and 2.5 cfs may lead to reduced area and quality of habitat for juvenile steelhead within the Study Area, depending on the rate of pumping.
- CCSD's pumping operations that occur after surface flows cease may affect juvenile steelhead and CRLF rearing in isolated pools by accelerating the rate at which isolated pools dry out, potentially stranding juvenile steelhead and CRLF tadpoles sooner than may otherwise occur.
- CCSD's pumping operations are not expected to impact aquatic habitat once the channel within the Study Area goes dry, which happens for extended periods of most years during the summer and fall.
- CCSD's pumping operations do not appear to impact habitat conditions within the lagoon.
- CCSD's pumping operations do not appear to impact habitat conditions for tidewater goby.

## **6 LONG-TERM MONITORING**

Long-term monitoring is proposed to provide information about the effects of CCSD's pumping operations on sensitive aquatic species and their habitat in lower San Simeon Creek and to enable CCSD to operate in a way that minimizes impacts to these aquatic species, as detailed below.

### **6.1 Stream Flows**

Stream flow monitoring is recommended to develop a better long-term record of streamflow within San Simeon Creek and to provide information about CCSD's operations and adaptive management practices. Continuous monitoring of streamflow should be conducted near the San

Simeon well field and upstream of the Study Area at the Palmer Flats Gage. The collection of a validated continuous flow record that includes low flows is recommended for these sites. In general terms, four general steps are required to develop an accurate continuous flow record: (1) installation of a continuous stage measuring device in accordance with standard practice (e.g., USGS 1982); (2) collection of flow data across a range of flows to develop a stage-flow relationship in accordance with standard practice (e.g., USGS 1982, Turnipseed 2010); (3) ongoing validation of the stage-flow relationship; and (4) development of new stage-flow relationships and/or correction of stage data if channel conditions change, as needed. The stage-flow relationship is a mathematical relationship relating flow and stage, and if hydraulic conditions significantly change at the gaging site, the relationship may need to be redeveloped or the stage data may need to be adjusted. Corrections and monitoring are typically more intense at sites that require accurate lower flows or at sites that are composed of erodible beds. Common channel changes that can impact the stage-flow relationship include cross-sectional scour or deposition, changes in the distribution of riparian vegetation, or changes in downstream hydraulic controls. Annual cross-sectional surveys to document scour and deposition at the gaging sites are also recommended to assess potential channel changes.

The County of San Luis Obispo currently operates a stream gage that continuously records water levels near the San Simeon well field. However, a stage-discharge rating curve needs to be developed and validated to apply to the stage data collected at this existing gage. A continuous stage measuring device is needed at the Palmer Flats location, and the collection of additional flow data is required to develop a continuous flow record, as described above.

## 6.2 Isolated Pools

Monitoring of isolated pool habitat within the Study Area is recommended to assess the risk of juvenile steelhead stranding. Monitoring should be conducted using visual observations of isolated pool habitat within the Study Area to assess relative abundance of juvenile steelhead “trapped” in isolated pools. Surveys should be conducted during the spring once surface flows cease in lower San Simeon Creek. Biologists familiar with the identification of juvenile steelhead should walk the channel within the Study Area to identify locations of isolated pool habitats and visually inspect pools from the shore to estimate the number of steelhead within each pool. All observations should be reported to the CDFW for rescue and relocation consideration.

## 6.3 San Simeon Creek Lagoon Conditions

Pending access approval, lagoon stage and water quality conditions (temperature, dissolved oxygen, and salinity) should be monitored at the upstream and downstream ends of the lagoon during the late spring through fall. Samples should be collected monthly near the upper, middle, and lower sections of the water column.

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## Appendices

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## Appendix A

### Mean Daily Streamflow for San Simeon Creek Gages

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## Stream Gauge Station Information

Station Name - Upper San Simeon

Station Number - 14

USGS Number - N/A

USGS Start -

What year(s) did USGS have control of this gage.

USGS End -

Latitude - 35° 36' 37"

Location Format Example -  
For: 120° 20' 05"  
Type: 1202005

Longitude - 121° 04' 30"

Drainage Area - 22.90

Location Description - 3 miles northeast of Hwy 1.

Remarks -

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Water Year OCT 1994 - SEP 1995**

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**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.12	54	37	61	67	13	2.4	0.19	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.12	46	82	61	64	12	2.3	0.12	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	70	40	293	61	63	11	2.4	0.08	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	242	37	218	61	62	11	2.3	0.07	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	317	35	423	61	60	9.6	1.8	0.10	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	124	33	221	61	58	8.9	1.8	0.12	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	259	52	158	61	57	8.3	1.7	0.09	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	256	122	144	61	55	6.0	1.6	0.05	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	265	77	573	61	54	4.8	1.7	0.05	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	578	59	1520	61	52	4.6	1.7	0.05	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	396	52	458	61	50	4.9	1.5	0.05	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	264	48	310	60	49	4.7	1.4	0.05	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	228	195	227	60	47	4.6	1.2	0.05	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	206	261	189	60	46	4.7	1.1	0.05	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	26	193	111	161	60	43	5.7	1.2	0.04	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	5.9	188	86	141	60	41	8.6	1.5	0.01	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.01	177	73	129	60	40	5.7	1.6	0.01	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.01	168	64	121	60	39	4.9	1.5	0.01	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.03	159	57	116	60	37	4.2	1.4	0.01	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.05	163	51	168	60	35	4.0	1.4	0.01	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.05	162	48	195	59	34	3.9	1.3	0.01	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.06	179	46	394	59	33	3.5	1.2	0.01	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.06	328	45	328	60	26	3.4	1.1	0.01	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.07	745	43	196	60	22	3.1	0.91	0.01	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	6.8	534	42	134	60	21	2.7	0.80	0.01	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.27	441	40	106	60	20	2.8	0.68	0.01	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.08	373	38	88	59	19	2.9	0.57	0.01	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	0.09	307	37	74	59	17	2.9	0.55	0.01	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	0.09	238	-----	66	69	17	3.0	0.48	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	0.10	130	-----	62	72	15	2.9	0.35	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	0.10	61	-----	61	-----	14	-----	0.24	0.0	-----

TOTAL	0	0	39.77	7751.2	1892	7393	1828	1257	172.3	41.68	1.29	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	1.28	250.04	67.57	238.48	60.93	40.55	5.74	1.34	0.04	0.00
MAX	0	0	26	745	261	1520	72	67	13	2.4	0.19	0
MIN	0	0	0	0.12	33	37	59	14	2.7	0.24	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	78.9	15374.4	3752.7	14663.8	3625.8	2493.2	341.8	82.7	2.6	0.0

TOTAL = 20376 CFS      MEAN = 55.83 N/A      MAX = 1520 CFS  
40,416 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 1030 CFS on JAN 10      2610 CFS on MAR 9  
1300 CFS on JAN 24      3410 CFS on MAR 10  
1440 CFS on FEB 13      1320 CFS on MAR 22

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AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	2.5	2.7	1.1	1.4	15	6.8	1.2	0.93	0.10	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	2.5	2.7	0.96	1.4	16	5.9	1.2	0.90	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	2.5	2.7	0.96	1.4	18	5.1	1.2	0.83	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	2.5	2.7	0.96	1.4	19	4.5	1.1	0.74	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	2.5	2.7	0.96	1.4	21	4.3	1.0	0.72	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	2.5	2.7	0.95	1.4	23	4.6	0.96	0.68	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	2.5	2.5	0.96	1.4	107	4.2	0.90	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	2.5	2.5	0.96	1.4	87	3.7	0.98	3.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	2.5	2.5	0.87	1.4	32	3.7	7.4	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	2.5	2.3	0.87	1.4	29	3.4	2.2	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	2.5	12	0.87	1.4	28	3.6	1.3	0.93	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	2.5	6.0	0.64	1.4	28	2.7	1.1	0.92	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	2.5	5.8	0.47	1.4	27	2.5	0.93	0.84	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	2.5	3.4	0.87	1.4	27	2.3	1.1	0.77	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	2.5	1.4	1.4	1.4	27	2.4	1.0	0.70	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	2.5	1.3	1.4	1.4	27	2.3	0.96	0.62	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	2.5	1.3	1.4	1.4	142	2.4	0.92	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	2.5	1.3	1.4	1.4	81	2.2	0.84	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	2.5	1.3	1.4	1.4	179	2.3	0.84	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	2.5	1.2	1.4	1.5	94	2.1	0.74	0.95	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	2.7	1.2	1.4	1.7	26	2.2	0.62	0.84	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	2.7	1.2	1.4	1.7	16	2.2	0.56	0.68	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	2.7	1.2	1.4	13	16	1.6	0.73	0.59	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	2.7	1.2	1.4	27	15	11	1.2	0.54	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	2.7	1.2	1.4	55	6.3	4.0	13	0.51	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	2.7	1.1	1.4	24	13	2.4	3.9	0.55	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	2.7	1.1	1.4	9.5	10	2.0	1.8	0.52	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	2.7	1.1	1.4	10	8.4	1.7	1.5	0.46	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	2.7	1.1	1.4	11	-----	1.6	1.3	0.28	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	2.7	1.1	1.4	13	-----	1.5	1.1	0.21	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	2.7	-----	1.4	14	-----	1.4	-----	0.22	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	79.7	72.5	36.2	208	1137.7	102.6	53.58	27.93	0.11	0	0	0
MEAN	2.57	2.42	1.17	6.71	40.63	3.31	1.79	0.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	2.7	12	1.4	55	179	11	13	3.2	0.1	0	0	0
MIN	2.5	1.1	0.47	1.4	6.3	1.4	0.56	0.21	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	158.1	143.8	71.8	412.6	2256.6	203.5	106.3	55.4	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 1718.3 CFS      MEAN = 4.71 N/A      MAX = 179 CFS  
 3,408 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 182 CFS on JAN 24      248 CFS on FEB 7  
 683 CFS on FEB 17      1420 CFS on FEB 19

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**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	1.4	0.0	116	16	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.08	0.0	89	14	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.02	0.0	48	11	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	36	8.5	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	30	12	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	58	214	7.0	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	96	359	44	**	**	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	16	173	295	**	**	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	32	117	173	**	**	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	49	370	72	**	**	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	192	102	58	**	**	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	42	187	41	**	**	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	23	652	31	**	**	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	16	451	26	**	**	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	12	543	22	**	**	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	8.2	282	20	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	20	422	22	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	22	239	101	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	12	125	106	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	7.5	177	106	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	6.7	217	69	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	6.0	229	280	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	5.7	109	436	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	5.5	78	119	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	4.5	60	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	3.7	46	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	3.2	38	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	181	32	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	200	28	-----	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	79	24	-----	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	46	20	-----	**	-----	0.0	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	1.5	1147	5613	2089.5	**	**	0.09	0	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.05	37.00	181.06	87.06	**	**	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	1.4	200	652	436	**	**	0.01	0	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	20	7	**	**	0	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	3.0	2275.0	11133.2	4144.5	**	**	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL\*\* = 8851.1 CFS      MEAN\*\* = 30.11 N/A      MAX = 652 CFS  
 17,556 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 1050 CFS on DEC 28      1210 CFS on JAN 10  
 2720 CFS on JAN 13      1460 CFS on JAN 14  
 3420 CFS on FEB 22

\*\* INCOMPLETE RECORD, MISSING DATA FOR THIS DAY



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1	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.1	5.3	30	18	3.6	0.73	0.04	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.1	5.9	28	18	3.3	0.99	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.7	6.5	29	17	3.3	0.72	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3	6.8	23	15	2.9	0.73	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	129	7.0	145	14	3.2	0.37	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	47	11	183	13	2.8	0.39	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	46	13	117	12	2.9	0.33	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	28	13	78	12	2.9	0.29	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	17	27	58	11	2.8	0.24	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	13	143	48	11	2.9	0.22	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	11	123	37	11	2.3	0.27	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.2	248	32	11	1.9	0.26	0.22	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.5	255	27	13	1.9	0.26	0.10	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.4	181	32	10	1.9	0.20	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.8	283	27	8.3	2.1	0.24	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.7	247	22	7.4	2.4	0.31	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.5	201	19	7.5	2.4	0.40	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.1	161	18	7.2	2.3	0.35	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.4	146	18	6.4	2.2	0.29	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.3	243	22	5.6	2.1	0.23	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.8	158	28	5.2	1.9	0.20	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4	127	75	4.7	1.8	0.10	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4	105	109	4.9	1.9	0.03	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	81	55	4.7	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	61	43	4.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	43	36	3.8	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	29	31	3.8	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	8.8	1.8	19	27	4.1	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	114	2.8	18	24	3.6	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	70	3.4	-----	23	3.6	1.2	0.32	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	15	4.5	-----	21	-----	1.2	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	0	207.8	391.7	2967.5	1465	270.8	68.7	8.47	0.36	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	6.70	12.64	102.33	47.26	9.03	2.22	0.28	0.01	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	114	129	283	183	18	3.6	0.99	0.22	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	1.3	5.3	18	3.6	1.2	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	412.2	776.9	5886.0	2905.8	537.1	136.3	16.8	0.7	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 5380.3 CFS      MEAN = 14.70 N/A      MAX = 283 CFS  
10,672 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 607 CFS on FEB 12      479 CFS on FEB 15  
824 CFS on MAR 5

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**Upper San Simeon  
Stream Gauge Station #14  
Water Year OCT 1990 - SEP 1991**

Latitude - 35° 36' 37"      Longitude - 121° 04' 30"

**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	105	35	4.0	0.71	0.51	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	28	4.0	0.67	0.53	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	436	23	3.8	0.66	0.45	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1530	21	3.8	0.60	0.25	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	186	18	3.8	0.59	0.29	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	49	17	3.5	0.51	0.31	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	21	14	3.5	0.54	0.18	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14	13	3.5	0.49	0.09	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11	11	3.4	0.49	0.06	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12	10	3.3	0.47	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	13	9.4	3.4	0.41	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.9	9.0	3.2	0.49	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	24	8.8	3.1	0.45	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	16	8.4	3.0	0.49	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12	8.3	2.6	0.21	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.7	7.8	2.2	0.03	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	98	7.2	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	542	6.7	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	395	6.4	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	530	8.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	109	8.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	69	6.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	48	6.3	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	277	6.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	268	5.3	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	261	4.8	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	147	4.6	0.97	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	20	93	4.4	0.97	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-----	71	4.2	0.92	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-----	55	4.0	0.87	0.71	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	0.0	0.0	-----	43	-----	0.78	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	20	5458.9	324.1	73.71	12.23	2.67	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.71	176.09	10.80	2.38	0.41	0.09	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	0	0	20	1530	35	4	2.1	0.53	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	0	0	6.3	4	0.78	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	39.7	10827.6	642.8	146.2	24.3	5.3	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 5891.6 CFS      MEAN = 16.14 N/A      MAX = 1530 CFS  
 11,686 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 4460 CFS on MAR 4      1930 CFS on MAR 3  
 2930 CFS on MAR 18      2290 CFS on MAR 20

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**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	0.04	0.0	2.9	5.0	0.33	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.02	0.0	2.4	5.0	0.28	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	6.6	0.22	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23	5.7	0.13	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	5.6	0.11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.5	4.6	0.09	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	4.1	0.08	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	3.9	0.08	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	3.6	0.07	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	3.5	0.06	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	4.0	0.04	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	10	1.7	3.7	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	95	1.1	3.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	53	1.0	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	28	0.83	2.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	22	79	2.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	15	60	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.2	25	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.7	15	2.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.1	12	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.2	11	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.8	9.1	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4	7.7	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	6.6	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	5.9	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	11	0.0	1.7	5.5	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	1.6	0.0	1.7	5.5	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.13	0.0	1.3	5.2	0.80	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.07	0.0	2.1	-----	0.81	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.05	0.0	1.9	-----	0.69	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	0.0	2.5	-----	0.46	-----	0.0	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	12.85	0.06	264.8	303.83	90.26	1.5	0	0	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.43	0.00	8.54	10.85	2.91	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	11	0.04	95	79	6.6	0.33	0	0	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	0	0.83	0.46	0	0	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	25.5	0.1	525.2	602.6	179.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 673.3 CFS      MEAN = 1.84 N/A      MAX = 95 CFS  
1,335 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 634 CFS on FEB 16      292 CFS on JAN 13

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**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	17	3.6	2.9	12	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	11	3.4	57	10	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.8	3.8	24	9.7	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.8	21	11	8.6	0.76	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	146	12	8.4	8.0	0.64	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	49	7.4	7.3	7.6	0.51	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	31	6.0	7.1	6.7	0.67	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	22	6.8	6.4	6.2	0.82	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	18	48	5.5	5.7	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	16	21	5.5	5.5	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	13	14	13	5.2	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	11	11	9.5	4.8	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	11	9.7	7.5	4.5	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	10	8.9	6.5	4.1	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.5	7.8	6.1	4.0	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.9	7.3	15	3.9	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	6.4	7.1	6.4	12	3.7	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	1.7	6.5	6.1	8.6	3.4	0.97	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	5.8	7.7	3.1	0.53	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	23	6.1	5.3	7.2	3.1	0.20	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	36	5.2	4.9	6.1	2.9	0.08	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	118	4.1	4.4	6.2	2.8	0.05	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	43	8.3	3.9	5.7	2.8	0.04	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	461	9.5	3.6	65	3.1	0.02	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	68	6.5	3.5	106	4.2	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	30	5.5	3.3	54	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	19	4.8	3.2	30	2.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	14	4.8	2.8	22	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	11	4.7	-----	17	2.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	9.4	4.3	-----	15	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	30	4.1	-----	13	-----	0.0	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	0	870.5	477.8	244.9	568.2	148.4	26.9	0	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	28.08	15.41	8.75	18.33	4.95	0.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	461	146	48	106	12	2.2	0	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	4.1	2.8	2.9	2.2	0	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	1726.6	947.7	485.8	1127.0	294.3	53.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 2336.7 CFS      MEAN = 6.40 N/A      MAX = 461 CFS  
4,635 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 2280 CFS on DEC 24      560 CFS on JAN 6  
523 CFS on DEC 22

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AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0		15	5.7	26	1.1	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	11	5.6	11	1.1	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.0	5.1	7.3	1.1	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	38	4.9	6.1	1.1	0.97	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.08	162	4.4	5.4	0.80	0.88	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	59	41	4.2	4.9	0.62	0.92	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	15	24	4.1	5.2	0.59	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	17	18	4.1	5.0	0.44	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	11	14	3.9	4.3	0.19	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	3.9	12	3.8	3.7	0.0	0.78	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	2.2	11	3.6	3.5	0.0	0.32	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	1.4	8.2	3.5	3.2	0.0	0.17	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	1.3	6.8	3.6	3.1	0.0	0.16	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	1.1	5.8	3.6	3.2	0.84	0.11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.96	5.7	3.4	3.2	1.2	0.03	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	3.3	6.9	3.4	3.4	0.66	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	3.4	236	3.1	3.4	0.44	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	1.8	60	3.1	3.5	0.34	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	1.4	31	2.9	3.2	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	1.0	21	2.6	2.9	15	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.84	17	2.6	3.1	5.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.77	14	2.6	2.8	2.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.76	12	2.5	2.7	12	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.97	10	2.4	2.3	7.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	1.0	9.1	2.4	1.9	4.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.92	8.4	2.3	1.8	3.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.99	7.8	3.3	1.7	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	40	7.1	7.1	1.3	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	103	6.7	52	1.4	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	52	6.6	-----	1.5	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	23	6.4	-----	1.2	-----	0.0	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	0	348.09	841.5	155.8	133.2	75.42	12.34	0	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	11.60	27.15	5.37	4.30	2.51	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	103	236	52	26	15	1.6	0	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	5.7	2.3	1.2	0	0	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	690.4	1669.1	309.0	264.2	149.6	24.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 1566.4 CFS      MEAN = 4.29 N/A      MAX = 236 CFS  
3,107 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 666 CFS on JAN 17      259 CFS on DEC 29  
523 CFS on JAN 4      323 CFS on DEC 6

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**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	4.4	4.8	2.5	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.89	4.2	4.4	1.8	0.07	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	4.1	4.3	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	14	1.1	4.1	4.1	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.79	264	4.2	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.60	284	4.0	0.95	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.9	0.31	116	3.6	0.98	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.2	0.28	67	3.3	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	1.7	49	3.2	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	41	40	2.8	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.97	24	37	2.5	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.83	12	35	2.6	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.62	935	61	2.4	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.60	376	43	2.2	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.62	303	43	2.1	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.49	252	30	2.1	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.33	222	21	1.9	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.35	205	12	1.7	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.37	189	9.9	1.6	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.28	180	9.1	1.5	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.14	15	26	1.4	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.01	8.5	16	1.3	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.25	7.4	13	1.5	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.38	7.1	11	1.7	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.13	6.5	9.4	1.7	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.1	7.9	1.6	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3	7.1	1.5	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	5.1	6.6	1.6	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	-----	5.8	1.5	0.90	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	-----	5.3	3.7	0.78	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	0.0	1.3	-----	4.8	-----	0.61	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	0	0	39.77	2808.2	1250.7	76.8	39.72	0.45	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.28	100.29	40.35	2.56	1.28	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	0	14	935	284	4.8	2.5	0.38	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	0	0.28	4.1	1.3	0.61	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	0.0	78.9	5569.9	2480.7	152.3	78.8	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 4215.6 CFS      MEAN = 11.55 N/A      MAX = 935 CFS  
8,362 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 2110 CFS on FEB 13      608 CFS on MAR 5



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1	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.91	34	31	19	5.7	1.7	0.83	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	208	0.66	63	29	17	5.7	1.7	0.74	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	74	0.66	49	27	16	5.7	1.7	0.74	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	13	407	43	24	15	5.7	1.7	0.66	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	6.3	477	32	22	16	5.7	1.7	0.57	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	3.6	96	27	20	18	5.7	1.7	0.49	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	2.7	41	24	24	16	5.7	1.7	0.46	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	2.3	25	22	543	14	5.1	1.7	0.46	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	1.9	17	20	222	13	5.1	1.7	0.44	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	1.3	13	17	530	12	5.1	1.3	0.41	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	1.1	11	17	209	11	5.1	1.3	0.39	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.91	9.6	991	322	10	5.1	1.3	0.36	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.83	8.7	1106	239	9.6	5.1	1.3	0.33	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.66	10	833	160	9.6	5.1	1.3	0.31	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.57	13	357	707	9.6	5.1	1.3	0.28	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.57	8.7	241	409	9.1	5.1	1.2	0.26	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.57	7.2	530	214	8.7	5.1	1.1	0.23	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.57	7.2	940	155	8.2	5.1	1.0	0.22	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.66	6.7	574	110	7.7	5.1	1.1	0.21	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.66	6.3	214	96	8.2	4.5	1.1	0.20	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.66	5.4	140	70	6.7	3.9	1.0	0.19	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.57	5.1	104	58	6.7	3.6	1.0	0.17	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.57	5.1	80	49	6.7	3.3	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.46	4.5	65	43	6.7	3.3	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	2.0	0.44	4.5	52	35	6.3	3.3	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.14	0.41	4.2	48	33	6.0	3.3	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.39	3.9	38	29	6.0	2.7	0.91	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	0.39	3.9	34	27	6.0	2.5	0.91	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	27	0.41	3.6	-----	25	6.0	2.1	0.83	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	4.2	1.3	9.6	-----	23	6.0	1.9	0.91	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	1.5	83	-----	22	-----	1.9	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	33.34	328.3	1299.4	6695	4507	310.8	137.4	38.16	8.95	0	0
MEAN	0.00	1.11	10.59	41.92	239.11	145.39	10.36	4.43	1.27	0.29	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	27	208	477	1106	707	19	5.7	1.7	0.83	0	0
MIN	0	0	0.39	0.66	17	20	6	1.9	0.83	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	66.1	651.2	2577.4	13279.3	8939.5	616.5	272.5	75.7	17.8	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 13358 CFS      MEAN = 36.60 N/A      MAX = 1106 CFS  
 26,496 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 3186 CFS on FEB 12      3515 CFS on FEB 13  
 2850 CFS on FEB 14      1864 CFS on FEB 17  
 1576 CFS on FEB 19      3178 CFS on MAR 15

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1	0.0	0.0	9.1	5.7	1.9	5.1	21	3.6	0.49	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	9.1	5.1	3.6	5.1	18	3.3	0.57	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	7.7	4.5	2.5	4.8	16	3.1	0.66	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	5.7	3.9	2.1	4.5	15	2.7	0.49	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	6.0	3.9	1.7	4.8	13	2.3	0.44	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	7.2	3.6	1.7	8.2	13	1.9	0.39	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	7.2	4.8	2.3	33	11	1.9	0.31	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	7.2	14	628	11	10	2.1	0.23	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	7.2	7.2	145	7.7	9.6	1.9	0.19	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	48	5.4	56	9.6	9.1	1.9	0.14	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	25	4.8	36	24	8.2	1.7	0.12	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	13	4.5	23	28	7.2	1.7	0.10	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	7.5	11	3.9	21	16	6.3	1.5	0.09	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.13	213	3.6	17	12	6.0	1.3	0.06	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.12	82	3.3	15	10	6.0	1.1	0.03	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.39	30	3.1	13	9.6	6.0	1.1	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	10	52	2.9	12	8.2	6.0	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	2.9	86	2.9	10	11	6.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.41	72	2.9	10	9.6	5.4	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.14	36	2.7	9.6	8.2	5.1	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.12	24	2.5	8.2	7.2	6.3	0.83	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.09	18	2.3	7.2	6.3	5.4	0.49	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.06	15	2.1	6.7	6.0	5.1	0.66	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	32	12	2.1	6.3	5.4	4.8	0.66	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	13	12	2.1	6.0	5.1	4.5	0.66	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	10	11	1.9	5.7	19	4.2	0.66	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	103	9.1	1.7	5.4	226	3.9	0.74	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	125	7.7	2.5	5.1	114	3.6	0.66	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	28	6.7	2.7	-----	51	3.6	0.57	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	14	6.7	2.1	-----	35	3.6	0.57	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	6.0	1.7	-----	28	-----	0.57	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	346.86	862.6	116.4	1062	733.4	242.9	44.27	4.32	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	11.56	27.83	3.75	37.93	23.66	8.10	1.43	0.14	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	125	213	14	628	226	21	3.6	0.66	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	5.7	1.7	1.7	4.5	3.6	0.49	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	688.0	1710.9	230.9	2106.4	1454.7	481.8	87.8	8.6	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 3412.8 CFS      MEAN = 9.35 N/A      MAX = 628 CFS  
6,769 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 1024 CFS on NOV 27      1480 CFS on DEC 14  
2970 CFS on FEB 8

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1	5.1	0.41	19	142	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.49	0.26	16	41	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.28	0.21	142	36	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.22	0.19	60	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.22	0.15	36	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.22	0.13	30	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.21	0.06	25	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.21	0.01	22	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.21	0.06	208	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.20	32	78	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.15	196	192	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.14	43	96	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.13	44	63	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.13	28	53	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.13	11	47	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.13	8.7	39	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.13	202	35	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.12	80	32	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.07	43	27	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.06	130	25	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.07	58	22	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	34	20	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	27	**	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	679	**	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	142	**	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	65	**	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	43	**	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	32	36	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	26	80	**	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	22	63	**	----	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.26	----	55	**	----	**	----	**	----	0.0	0.0	----
TOTAL	8.88	1947.2	1521	219	**	**	**	**	0	0	0	0
MEAN	0.29	64.91	58.50	73.00	**	**	**	**	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	5.1	679	208	142	**	**	**	**	0	0	0	0
MIN	0	0.01	16	36	**	**	**	**	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	17.6	3862.2	3016.9	434.4	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL\*\* = 3696.1 CFS      MEAN\*\* = 17.43 N/A      MAX = 679 CFS  
 7,331 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 830 CFS on NOV 11      865 CFS on NOV 17  
 232 CFS on NOV 19      2497 CFS on NOV 24  
 594 CFS on DEC 3      800 CFS on DEC 9  
 570 CFS on DEC 11

\*\* INCOMPLETE RECORD, MISSING DATA FOR THIS DAY

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1	0.0	0.0	104	17	27	492	86	**	**	21	20	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	40	17	27	897	78	**	**	20	20	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	22	15	16	377	68	**	**	20	20	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	15	15	12	313	63	**	**	20	20	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	11	14	10	262	58	**	**	20	20	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	8.7	13	364	217	53	**	**	20	20	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	7.7	11	573	241	49	**	**	20	20	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	5.7	10	309	174	47	**	11	20	20	0.0
9	0.0	6.1	4.5	10	44	142	44	**	11	20	20	0.0
10	0.0	2.7	3.9	9.6	43	118	41	**	12	20	20	0.0
11	0.0	0.74	3.1	8.7	24	104	40	**	13	20	20	0.0
12	0.0	0.20	2.9	8.2	421	92	39	**	13	20	20	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	2.7	7.7	155	480	36	**	11	20	20	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	2.1	6.7	168	196	33	**	16	20	**	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	5.1	6.3	122	140	32	**	15	20	**	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	4.8	6.3	25	343	20	**	16	20	**	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	5.4	6.3	17	196	29	**	17	20	**	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	4.8	51	36	226	78	**	15	19	**	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	4.2	58	15	158	80	**	17	19	**	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	4.2	14	10	244	167	**	18	19	**	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	53	11	8.2	241	193	**	18	19	**	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	920	621	6.0	355	88	**	19	19	**	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	14	202	6.0	300	108	**	19	19	**	0.0
24	0.0	3.9	76	521	5.4	319	147	**	20	19	**	0.0
25	0.0	3.9	48	122	174	226	**	**	20	19	**	0.0
26	0.0	2.9	34	297	118	179	**	**	20	19	**	0.0
27	0.0	2.7	27	538	353	182	**	**	20	19	**	0.0
28	0.0	20	22	142	299	152	**	**	20	19	**	0.0
29	0.0	387	17	163	-----	125	**	**	20	19	**	0.0
30	15	730	16	84	-----	112	**	**	19	19	**	18
31	0.83	-----	13	53	-----	98	-----	**	-----	19	0.0	-----
TOTAL	15.83	1160.1	1501.8	3058.8	3387.6	7701	1677	**	380	607	260	18
MEAN	0.51	38.67	48.45	98.67	120.99	248.42	69.88	**	16.52	19.58	18.57	0.60
MAX	15	730	920	621	573	897	193	**	20	21	20	18
MIN	0	0	2.1	6.3	5.4	92	20	**	11	19	0	0
AC-FT	31.4	2301.1	2978.8	6067.0	6719.2	15274.7	3326.3	**	753.7	1204.0	515.7	35.7

TOTAL\*\* = 19767 CFS      MEAN\*\* = 65.02 N/A      MAX = 920 CFS  
 39,208 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 2467 CFS on NOV 30      1857 CFS on DEC 22  
 1927 CFS on JAN 22      1983 CFS on JAN 24  
 2152 CFS on JAN 26      2280 CFS on FEB 7  
 1754 CFS on FEB 27      2557 CFS on MAR 2

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**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	5.7	270	21	196	229	19	5.1	1.5	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	4.5	153	18	264	135	17	5.1	1.3	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	3.6	73	16	94	228	16	4.8	1.3	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	2.9	381	14	61	150	15	4.5	1.2	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	2.5	594	11	48	100	14	4.2	1.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	2.1	142	9.7	39	82	14	3.9	0.91	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	1.7	76	8.7	36	65	13	3.6	0.83	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	1.3	52	8.2	35	54	13	3.4	0.83	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	1.2	38	7.3	27	48	11	3.4	0.66	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	1.3	29	11	25	517	11	3.4	0.49	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	1.2	23	7.7	53	1164	9.7	3.4	0.46	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	1.1	19	6.3	38	329	9.7	3.1	0.46	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	1.3	15	6.0	28	191	9.2	2.9	0.44	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	215	1.0	13	6.8	47	137	8.7	2.9	0.41	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	24	1.0	12	78	39	104	8.2	2.7	0.39	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	24	0.91	5.1	415	116	69	7.7	2.7	0.31	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	96	0.74	4.5	88	158	51	7.3	2.7	0.23	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	26	0.66	3.6	50	147	46	7.3	2.7	0.20	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	9.7	0.66	3.6	37	92	44	6.8	2.7	0.15	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	5.1	137	76	29	71	42	6.3	2.5	0.12	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	3.1	62	69	24	58	39	6.3	2.5	0.07	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	2.3	21	31	20	48	38	6.3	2.5	0.03	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	1.5	14	20	16	44	37	6.0	2.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	2.3	9.7	16	15	39	31	6.0	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	1.5	7.7	13	13	36	29	6.0	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	1.5	6.8	61	12	62	27	6.0	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	30	5.7	43	11	65	24	6.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	55	5.4	84	9.7	75	22	5.7	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	16	318	46	-----	138	20	6.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	8.7	227	32	-----	104	19	5.7	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	198	26	-----	472	-----	5.7	-----	0.0	0.0	-----

TOTAL	0	521.7	1047.7	2423.8	969.4	2755	4071	289.6	88.5	13.29	0	0
MEAN	0.00	17.39	33.80	78.19	34.62	88.87	135.70	9.34	2.95	0.43	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	215	318	594	415	472	1164	19	5.1	1.5	0	0
MIN	0	0	0.66	3.6	6	25	19	5.7	1.3	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	1034.8	2078.0	4807.5	1922.8	5464.5	8074.7	574.4	175.5	26.4	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 12180 CFS      MEAN = 33.37 N/A      MAX = 1164 CFS  
24,159 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 870 CFS on DEC 31      115 CFS on JAN 20  
158 CFS on JAN 26      183 CFS on JAN 28  
830 CFS on MAR 1      403 CFS on MAR 29  
1330 CFS on 1800      345 CFS on APR 3

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1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14	50	19	4.2	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10	29	17	3.9	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.7	16	16	3.9	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	6.0	93	14	3.4	0.83	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.03	0.0	5.1	116	12	3.4	0.74	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.5	52	12	3.4	0.66	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.9	36	11	3.4	0.66	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.1	27	10	3.1	0.49	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	115	21	9.7	2.9	0.41	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	42	18	9.2	2.9	0.36	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	25	16	8.7	2.7	0.33	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	18	14	8.2	2.7	0.28	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14	14	7.7	2.7	0.21	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11	12	7.3	2.7	0.16	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.7	11	6.8	2.5	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.7	11	6.8	2.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.3	9.2	6.3	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.7	15	7.3	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.4	369	9.7	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.8	106	7.3	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.9	502	6.3	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.02	3.9	142	6.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	20	3.6	78	5.4	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	3.9	55	5.4	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.74	5.1	47	5.4	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.14	4.8	47	4.8	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.0	136	3.6	38	4.8	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	0.0	76	6.3	30	4.2	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	0.0	207	-----	27	4.2	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	0.0	54	-----	23	3.9	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	0.0	25	-----	20	-----	1.1	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	0	1.23	520.8	358	2044.2	256.4	71.7	8.24	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	0.04	16.80	12.79	65.94	8.55	2.31	0.27	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	1.2	207	115	502	19	4.2	1.1	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	0	3.6	9.2	3.9	1.1	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	2.4	1033.0	710.1	4054.6	508.6	142.2	16.3	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 3260.6 CFS      MEAN = 8.93 N/A      MAX = 502 CFS  
6,467 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 925 CFS on JAN 27      765 CFS on JAN 29  
1180 CFS on MAR 19      1350 CFS on MAR 21

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Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	73	**	69	13	5.7	1.9	0.46	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	22	**	123	12	5.1	1.9	0.49	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	12	**	317	12	4.8	1.9	0.66	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.2	**	135	11	4.5	1.7	0.46	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	**	296	29	4.5	1.5	0.39	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.8	**	235	19	4.2	1.3	0.36	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.2	**	137	13	3.9	1.3	0.33	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.6	**	114	11	3.6	1.2	0.33	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.2	**	94	11	4.5	1.2	0.31	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	88	**	82	9.7	8.7	1.1	0.28	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	839	**	71	9.2	5.1	1.0	0.26	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	1156	**	61	8.2	4.5	0.91	0.22	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	667	**	55	7.7	4.5	0.91	0.21	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	775	**	51	7.7	4.2	0.83	0.22	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	82	48	6.8	3.9	0.83	0.22	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	553	44	6.0	3.6	0.74	0.20	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	724	42	6.0	3.4	0.74	0.17	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	478	39	6.0	3.1	0.74	0.15	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	523	36	6.0	3.1	0.74	0.13	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	412	34	6.0	3.1	0.74	0.13	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	474	31	6.0	3.1	0.66	0.12	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	263	29	6.0	3.1	0.57	0.07	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	183	26	6.0	2.9	0.46	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	107	**	135	24	5.7	2.7	0.46	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	37	**	108	22	5.4	2.7	0.44	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	5.7	**	88	20	5.1	2.5	0.44	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	2.5	**	110	18	5.1	2.5	0.39	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	1.2	**	112	17	6.3	2.3	0.39	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	0.83	**	82	16	6.0	2.1	0.41	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	92	**	-----	16	5.7	2.1	0.44	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	160	**	-----	14	-----	2.1	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	0	406.23	3667	4327	2316	267.63	116.1	27.85	6.17	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	13.10	261.93	288.47	74.71	8.92	3.75	0.93	0.20	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	160	1156	724	317	29	8.7	1.9	0.66	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	3.6	82	14	5.1	2.1	0.39	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	805.7	7273.4	8582.5	4593.7	530.8	230.3	55.2	12.2	0.0	0.0

TOTAL\*\* = 11134 CFS      MEAN\*\* = 33.24 N/A      MAX = 1156 CFS  
22,084 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 2040 CFS on JAN 11      2110 CFS on JAN 12  
3020 CFS on JAN 14      2850 CFS on FEB 16  
2480 CFS on FEB 17

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1	**	**	**	**	158	**	**	9.2	2.9	0.28	0.0	0.0
2	**	**	**	**	121	**	**	8.7	2.9	0.31	0.0	0.0
3	**	**	**	**	92	**	**	9.2	2.7	0.33	0.0	0.0
4	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	8.7	2.7	0.28	0.0	0.0
5	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	8.2	2.7	0.26	0.0	0.0
6	**	**	**	**	**	**	28	8.2	2.7	0.26	0.0	0.0
7	**	**	**	**	**	**	26	**	2.5	0.22	0.0	0.0
8	**	**	**	58	**	**	24	**	2.5	0.20	0.0	0.0
9	**	**	**	102	**	**	22	**	2.3	0.17	0.0	0.0
10	**	**	**	22	**	**	20	**	1.9	0.16	0.0	0.0
11	**	**	**	20	**	**	18	**	1.5	0.14	0.0	0.0
12	**	**	**	19	**	**	16	**	1.5	0.13	0.0	0.0
13	**	**	**	18	252	**	16	**	1.5	0.07	0.0	0.0
14	**	**	**	386	269	**	15	**	1.2	0.06	0.0	0.0
15	**	**	**	372	110	**	14	**	1.0	0.10	0.0	0.0
16	**	**	**	112	119	**	13	**	1.0	0.07	0.0	0.0
17	**	**	**	78	**	**	14	5.1	0.91	0.04	0.0	0.0
18	**	**	35	80	**	**	12	5.1	0.91	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	**	**	30	**	**	**	12	5.1	0.83	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	**	**	**	**	320	**	11	5.1	0.74	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	**	**	11	**	321	**	11	5.1	0.66	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	**	**	**	**	205	**	2.9	4.8	0.49	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	**	**	**	**	185	**	10	4.5	0.49	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	**	**	**	**	**	**	10	3.9	0.23	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	**	**	**	**	**	**	10	3.6	0.23	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	**	**	**	**	**	159	13	3.6	0.41	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	**	**	**	**	**	315	16	3.6	0.39	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	**	**	**	**	**	410	11	3.4	0.36	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	**	**	**	**	----	338	10	3.1	0.31	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	**	**	**	110	----	123	9.7	2.9	0.28		0.0	0.0
31	**	----	**	331	----	**	----	2.7	----	0.0	0.0	----
TOTAL	**	**	76	1708	2152	1345	364.6	113.8	40.74	3.08	0	0
MEAN	**	**	25.33	131.38	195.64	269.00	14.58	5.42	1.36	0.10	0.00	0.00
MAX	**	**	35	386	321	410	28	9.2	2.9	0.33	0	0
MIN	**	**	11	18	92	123	2.9	2.7	0.23	0	0	0
AC-FT	**	**	150.7	3387.8	4268.4	2667.8	723.2	225.7	80.8	6.1	0.0	0.0

TOTAL\*\* = 5803.2 CFS      MEAN\*\* = 29.16 N/A      MAX = 410 CFS  
 11,511 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 1706 CFS on JAN 14      1057 CFS on JAN 31  
 2046 CFS on FEB 20      930 CFS on MAR 28  
 1132 CFS on MAR 28      1029 CFS on MAR 29

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1	0.0	0.0	0.0	43	32	41	50	23	6.0	2.3	1.2	0.83
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	93	30	142	39	21	6.0	2.1	1.2	0.91
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	145	29	256	32	20	5.7	2.1	1.2	1.1
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	188	27	532	104	19	5.7	2.1	1.1	1.9
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	543	75	338	47	16	5.4	1.9	1.1	4.5
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	291	72	174	63	16	5.1	1.9	1.1	3.1
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	117	496	121	69	15	4.8	1.9	1.0	2.7
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	76	637	96	50	14	4.5	1.9	0.91	2.5
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	404	947	150	37	13	4.2	1.9	0.91	2.3
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	271	573	108	31	13	4.2	1.9	0.91	2.1
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	130	285	86	28	12	4.2	1.7	0.91	2.1
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	92	605	73	25	12	3.9	1.7	0.0	1.9
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	211	400	61	22	11	3.9	1.7	0.91	1.9
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	982	250	55	20	11	3.9	1.5	0.91	1.7
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	549	183	48	149	11	3.6	1.5	0.91	1.7
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	1056	140	43	106	11	3.6	1.3	0.91	1.5
17	0.0	0.0	253	375	110	39	58	10	3.6	1.3	0.91	1.5
18	0.0	0.0	56	244	86	36	44	10	3.4	1.3	0.91	1.3
19	0.0	0.0	6.8	351	69	34	39	10	3.4	1.3	0.83	1.3
20	0.0	0.0	3.4	197	58	32	36	9.7	3.1	1.3	0.83	1.3
21	0.0	0.0	2.9	145	48	37	32	9.7	3.1	1.3	0.83	1.3
22	0.0	0.0	27	114	44	264	29	9.7	2.9	1.3	0.83	1.2
23	0.0	0.0	693	88	39	86	26	9.2	2.9	1.3	0.74	1.2
24	0.0	0.0	52	69	36	61	26	8.7	2.7	1.3	0.74	1.1
25	0.0	0.0	7.7	57	34	51	96	8.2	2.7	1.2	0.74	1.1
26	0.0	0.0	5.1	52	31	46	46	7.7	2.5	1.2	0.74	1.0
27	0.0	0.0	684	47	29	41	36	7.3	2.5	1.2	0.74	1.0
28	0.0	0.0	308	43	30	38	35	6.8	2.5	1.2	0.74	0.91
29	0.0	0.0	194	41	-----	38	26	6.8	2.5	1.2	0.74	0.91
30	0.0	0.0	90	38	-----	41	25	6.3	2.3	1.2	0.74	0.83
31	0.0	-----	55	36	-----	74	-----	6.0	-----	1.2	0.83	-----
TOTAL	0	0	2437.9	7088	5395	3242	1426	364.1	114.8	48.2	27.07	48.69
MEAN	0.00	0.00	78.64	228.65	192.68	104.58	47.53	11.75	3.83	1.55	0.87	1.62
MAX	0	0	693	1056	947	532	149	23	6	2.3	1.2	4.5
MIN	0	0	0	36	27	32	20	6	2.3	1.2	0	0.83
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	4835.5	14058.8	10700.8	6430.4	2828.4	722.2	227.7	95.6	53.7	96.6

TOTAL = 20192 CFS      MEAN = 55.32 N/A      MAX = 1056 CFS  
40,050 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 2302 CFS on DEC 23      2167 CFS on DEC 27  
2081 CFS on JAN 5      2647 CFS on JAN 14  
4550 CFS on JAN 16      2520 CFS on FEB 7

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Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.6	0.28	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	88	0.22	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	47	0.10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	47	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	37	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	16	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	7.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.91	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.83	0.0	0.91	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.74	0.0	0.49	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.66	0.0	0.39	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.57	0.0	0.03	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.49	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.49	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.46	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.44	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.41	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.39	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.36	----	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.33	----	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	----	16	0.31	----	0.0	----	0.0	----	0.0	0.0	----
TOTAL	0	0	16	291.29	0.6	12.72	0	0	0	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	0.52	9.40	0.02	0.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	16	88	0.28	7.2	0	0	0	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	0.31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	31.7	577.8	1.2	25.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 320.61 CFS      MEAN = 0.88 N/A      MAX = 88 CFS  
 636 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 444 CFS on JAN 2      90 CFS on JAN 6

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1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	48	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	64	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	41	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12	0.10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	0.66	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.6	0.49	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.7	0.41	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.2	2.3	0.36	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.9	0.23	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	1.5	0.21	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.36	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.33	1.3	0.26	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.01	1.3	0.23	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.26	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.26	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.23	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.22	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.91	0.20	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.83	0.12	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.83	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.74	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.74	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.66	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.66	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.57	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.46	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.33	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.16	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	31	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4
30	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	----	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	----	0.0	0.0	----	0.0	----	0.0	----	0.0	0.0	----
TOTAL	0.36	0	0	0	37.04	196.79	4.25	0	0	0	0	1.4
MEAN	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.28	6.35	0.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.05
MAX	0.36	0	0	0	31	64	0.66	0	0	0	0	1.4
MIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	73.5	390.3	8.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.8

TOTAL = 239.84 CFS  
476 AC-FT

MEAN = 0.66 N/A

MAX = 64 CFS  
MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 275  
188

CFS on FEB 29  
CFS on MAR 76

254 CFS on MAR 1

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1	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.7	146	14	20	9.7	3.4	1.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.1	555	13	17	9.2	3.4	0.91	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	175	4.2	122	12	16	8.7	3.1	0.91	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	106	3.9	188	12	16	8.2	3.1	0.83	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	11	3.4	74	16	56	8.2	3.1	0.74	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	4.5	3.4	30	51	31	7.7	2.9	0.66	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	2.9	3.4	19	423	23	7.7	2.9	0.57	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	2.1	4.5	154	243	20	7.7	2.7	0.46	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	1.7	3.6	412	100	16	7.7	2.7	0.41	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	1.3	2.9	309	138	14	7.3	2.5	0.36	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	1.2	2.7	140	84	14	6.8	2.5	0.31	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	1.2	2.5	84	48	12	6.3	2.5	0.28	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	1.1	2.3	194	72	12	6.3	2.3	0.33	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	1.0	2.1	121	64	11	6.0	2.3	0.39	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.9	76	38	11	5.7	2.3	0.44	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.9	59	91	15	5.7	2.3	0.44	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.91	1.9	47	42	11	5.4	2.3	0.39	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.91	1.7	41	31	11	5.4	2.3	0.36	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.91	1.7	36	24	9.7	5.4	2.1	0.28	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.83	1.5	32	20	9.2	5.1	2.1	0.23	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.83	1.5	27	100	8.7	4.8	1.9	0.17	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.91	1.5	24	267	8.2	4.5	1.9	0.12	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.5	23	82	7.7	4.2	1.9	0.03	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.5	21	57	19	4.2	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.5	19	69	34	3.9	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.5	18	46	16	3.9	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	2.6	1.5	16	36	12	3.9	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	110	1.5	16	30	11	3.6	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	37	1.5	-----	27	11	3.6	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	15	1.5	-----	23	9.7	3.6	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	8.2	2.3	-----	21	-----	3.4	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	0	493.1	77.6	3003	2294	482.2	183.8	68.1	10.62	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	15.91	2.50	107.25	74.00	16.07	5.93	2.27	0.34	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	175	5.7	555	423	56	9.7	3.4	1	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	1.5	16	12	7.7	3.4	1.1	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	978.0	153.9	5956.4	4550.1	956.4	364.6	135.1	21.1	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 6612.4 CFS      MEAN = 18.12 N/A      MAX = 555 CFS  
13,116 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 795 CFS on DEC 3      1934 CFS on FEB 2  
660 CFS on FEB 8      705 CFS on FEB 8  
795 CFS on FEB 10      407 CFS on FEB 13  
1222 CFS on MAR 7      945 CFS on MAR 22

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1	0.0	0.0	340	35	9.9	1195	585	3.1	1.2	0.13	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	24	23	9.5	483	263	3.1	1.1	0.11	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	14	96	9.0	161	67	3.0	1.0	0.09	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	11	798	9.0	52	34	2.9	0.99	0.08	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	9.0	265	9.0	27	23	2.9	0.93	0.06	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	8.7	1124	8.7	19	16	2.7	0.87	0.04	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	8.1	1592	8.1	210	12	2.7	0.81	0.02	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	7.4	382	7.8	86	9.5	2.6	0.75	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	7.4	95	7.8	29	9.5	2.6	0.71	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	7.1	43	7.4	21	7.8	2.5	0.68	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	6.8	29	6.8	17	7.4	2.3	0.64	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	9.9	6.8	38	5.9	14	6.8	2.2	0.60	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	6.5	8.1	26	5.9	12	6.8	2.1	0.57	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	4.4	8.1	18	5.9	9.5	6.5	2.0	0.53	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	3.0	7.4	16	5.9	8.4	6.2	1.9	0.49	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	46	7.1	194	5.9	7.8	5.9	1.9	0.45	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	200	7.1	682	5.9	6.5	5.7	1.8	0.42	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	60	7.1	138	5.9	6.5	5.5	1.8	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	17	7.1	78	6.2	6.5	5.5	1.7	0.36	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	16	7.1	55	5.7	6.2	5.3	1.7	0.34	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	16	224	36	5.5	5.7	5.1	1.6	0.32	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	68	145	26	5.5	5.7	4.6	1.6	0.30	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	27	23	22	5.3	5.5	4.2	1.5	0.28	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	15	20	18	5.3	5.3	4.0	1.5	0.27	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	16	19	16	5.3	5.5	3.8	1.4	0.25	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	13	19	15	5.3	7.1	3.7	1.4	0.23	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	13	255	13	5.3	23	3.4	1.3	0.21	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	12	56	12	5.3	691	3.4	1.3	0.19	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	12	29	11	-----	49	3.3	1.2	0.17	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	12	24	11	-----	405	3.3	1.2	0.15	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	31	10	-----	55	-----	1.2	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	566.8	1354.4	5917	189	3635.2	1127.2	62.7	16.19	0.53	0	0
MEAN	0.00	18.89	43.69	190.87	6.75	117.26	37.57	2.02	0.54	0.02	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	200	340	1592	9.9	1195	585	3.1	1.2	0.13	0	0
MIN	0	0	6.8	10	5.3	5.3	3.3	1.2	0.15	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	1124.2	2686.4	11736.2	374.9	7210.3	2235.8	124.4	32.1	1.1	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 12869 CFS      MEAN = 35.26 N/A      MAX = 1592 CFS  
25,525 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 2110 CFS on JAN 6      3414 CFS on MAR 1  
2602 CFS on JAN 6      3207 CFS on MAR 1  
2595 CFS on JAN 7      3071 CFS on MAR 28  
2182 CFS on JAN 7

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**Upper San Simeon  
Stream Gauge Station #14  
Water Year OCT 1972 - SEP 1973**

Latitude - 35° 36' 37"      Longitude - 121° 04' 30"

**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	9.0	9.0	26	170	23	7.0	8.6	7.6	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	9.0	9.0	20	98	22	8.8	8.6	7.4	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	9.8	9.0	18	82	20	8.8	8.6	7.4	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.55	24	8.8	16	82	19	8.8	8.6	7.4	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.01	12	8.8	20	61	17	8.8	8.4	7.4	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	12	8.6	641	205	17	8.8	8.4	7.4	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	17	8.6	555	69	16	8.8	8.4	7.2	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	18	20	118	127	15	8.6	8.4	7.2	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	13	375	69	64	15	8.6	8.4	7.2	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	12	95	416	49	14	8.6	8.4	7.2	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	44	11	35	728	157	13	8.6	8.2	7.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	12	11	26	566	64	18	8.6	8.2	7.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	81	11	22	340	52	12	8.4	8.2	7.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	832	10	19	218	43	12	8.4	8.2	7.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	667	9.8	17	105	35	12	8.4	8.2	7.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	391	9.8	918	265	31	11	8.4	8.2	7.0	0.0	0.0
17	13	179	9.8	121	189	28	11	8.4	8.2	7.0	0.0	0.0
18	2.5	49	9.4	1437	49	26	11	8.4	8.2	7.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	31	9.4	121	41	95	11	8.4	8.2	7.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	22	9.4	49	33	234	10	8.4	8.0	7.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	19	9.0	32	30	244	10	8.2	8.0	7.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	16	9.8	23	28	103	9.8	8.2	8.0	7.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	15	9.4	19	26	69	9.8	8.2	7.8	6.8	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	13	9.0	16	46	53	9.4	8.8	7.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	12	9.0	15	30	45	9.4	8.8	7.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	12	9.0	13	290	39	9.4	8.8	7.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	11	9.0	13	933	35	9.4	8.8	7.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	11	9.0	12	536	31	9.0	8.8	7.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	9.8	9.0	54	-----	28	9.0	8.8	7.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	9.4	9.0	163	-----	26	9.0	8.8	7.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	9.4	41	-----	25	-----	8.8	-----	0.0	0.0	-----

TOTAL	15.5	2436.8	337	3717.8	6352	2470	393.2	265	244.2	164.2	0	0
MEAN	0.50	81.23	10.87	119.93	226.86	79.68	13.11	8.55	8.14	5.30	0.00	0.00
MAX	13	832	24	1437	933	244	23	8.8	8.6	7.6	0	0
MIN	0	0	9	8.6	16	25	9	7	7.6	0	0	0
AC-FT	30.7	4833.2	668.4	7374.1	12599.0	4899.2	779.9	525.6	484.4	325.7	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 16396 CFS      MEAN = 44.92 N/A      MAX = 1437 CFS  
 32,520 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 3644 CFS on JAN 16      1720 CFS on FEB 12  
 4600 CFS on JAN 18      2346 CFS on FEB 27  
 2086 CFS on NOV 14      1076 CFS on JAN 30      1225 CFS on MAR 6  
 2190 CFS on NOV 15      1206 CFS on FEB 6      1225 CFS on MAR 19  
 960 CFS on JAN 9      2269 CFS on FEB 11      1225 CFS on MAR 21



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**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	20	12	12	8.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	18	12	12	8.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	16	12	12	7.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	16	12	12	7.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	15	185	12	7.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	14	75	11	7.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	14	33	11	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	13	25	11	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	13	22	11	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	13	19	11	6.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	12	17	11	8.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	12	16	11	8.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	12	16	12	9.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	12	15	9.6	8.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	12	15	9.3	8.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	12	16	9.3	7.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	12	16	9.3	7.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	12	14	9.3	7.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	11	14	9.1	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	11	13	9.1	6.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	11	13	8.9	6.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	114	11	13	8.9	5.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	158	11	13	8.9	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	249	11	13	8.9	3.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	394	12	13	8.9	2.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	272	12	12	8.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	432	12	12	8.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	139	15	12	8.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	45	14	12	8.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	30	13	----	8.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	----	24	13	----	8.6	----	0.0	----	0.0	0.0	----
TOTAL	0	0	1855.6	404.7	671.6	310.4	175.3	0	0	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	59.86	13.05	23.16	10.01	5.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	432	20.4	185	12	9.1	0	0	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	11	12	8.6	0	0	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	3680.5	802.7	1332.1	615.7	347.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 3417.6 CFS      MEAN = 9.34 N/A      MAX = 432 CFS  
6,779 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 1370 CFS on DEC 25      1000 CFS on DEC 26

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**Upper San Simeon  
Stream Gauge Station #14  
Water Year OCT 1970 - SEP 1971**

Latitude - 35° 36' 37"      Longitude - 121° 04' 30"

**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	726	24	15	11	11	9.1	7.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	485	22	15	11	11	9.6	7.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	129	20	15	12	11	9.3	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	61	19	14	12	11	8.9	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	46	19	14	11	10	8.9	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	38	18	14	11	10	8.9	6.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	33	17	14	11	10	8.9	6.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	54	16	14	11	10	8.9	6.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	38	16	13	11	9.9	8.6	6.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	30	16	13	11	9.9	8.6	6.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	28	71	13	11	9.6	8.4	6.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	26	108	13	21	9.6	8.4	6.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	24	76	13	24	9.6	8.4	6.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	24	51	13	12	15	8.4	6.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	22	38	13	12	11	8.2	6.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	93	33	12	11	10	7.9	6.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	63	30	13	11	11	7.6	5.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	495	27	12	11	10	7.6	5.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	298	25	12	11	9.9	7.6	5.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	286	24	12	11	9.6	7.6	5.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	655	22	12	11	9.6	7.6	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	157	20	12	11	9.3	7.3	4.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	75	20	12	11	9.3	7.3	4.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	6.0	56	19	12	11	9.3	7.3	3.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	42	45	19	12	11	9.3	7.3	3.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	65	41	17	11	62	9.1	7.0	0.90	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	14	38	17	11	28	9.1	7.0	0.20	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	648	34	16	11	15	9.1	8.6	0.20	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	710	30	16	-----	13	9.1	8.2	0.10	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	188	27	16	-----	12	9.1	7.6	0.10	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	25	16	-----	12	-----	7.6	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	1673.1	4180.7	867.3	361.4	445.9	301.4	252.6	152.9	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	55.77	134.86	27.98	12.91	14.38	10.05	8.15	5.10	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	710	726	108	15.2	62	15	9.6	7.3	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	22.3	15.6	11	11	9.1	7	0.1	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	3318.5	8292.3	1720.3	716.8	884.4	597.8	501.0	303.3	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 8235.3 CFS      MEAN = 22.56 N/A      MAX = 726 CFS  
 16,334 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 1900 CFS on NOV 28      2230 CFS on NOV 29  
 1837 CFS on DEC 1      1303 CFS on DEC 18  
 2346 CFS on DEC 21

## Stream Gauge Station Information

Station Name - Lower San Simeon

Station Number - 22

USGS Number - 11142300

USGS Start - 1987

What year(s) did USGS have control of this gage.

USGS End - 1989

Latitude - 35° 35' 59"

Location Format Example -  
For: 120° 20' 05"  
Type: 1202005

Longitude - 121° 06' 47"

Drainage Area - 26.30

Location Description - Near Cambria, California.

Remarks -

**San Luis Obispo County  
Flood Control and Water Conservation District**

**Lower San Simeon  
Stream Gauge Station #22  
Water Year OCT 2002 - SEP 2003**

Latitude - 35° 35' 59"      Longitude - 121° 06' 47"

**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	23	212	50	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
2	0.0	0.0	16	108	49	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
3	0.0	0.0	11	75	49	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
4	0.0	0.0	11	59	48	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
5	0.0	0.0	4.0	50	47	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
6	0.0	0.0	2.3	47	46	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
7	0.0	0.0	0.38	77	44	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
8	0.0	0.0	0.17	329	43	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
9	0.0	0.0	0.04	175	42	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
10	0.0	0.0	0.01	114	42	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
11	0.0	0.0	0.02	102	42	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
12	0.0	0.0	0.03	71	42	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
13	0.0	0.0	0.05	58	43	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
14	0.0	0.0	0.03	48	47	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
15	0.0	0.0	0.02	43	49	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
16	0.0	572	0.01	40	51	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
17	0.0	269	0.0	40	50	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
18	0.0	60	0.0	37	50	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
19	0.0	40	0.0	30	49	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
20	0.0	36	0.0	371	49	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
21	0.0	32	0.0	160	48	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
22	0.0	31	0.0	106	49	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
23	0.0	30	0.0	93	52	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
24	0.0	29	0.0	87	54	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
25	0.0	31	7.6	69	57	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
26	0.0	28	490	57	60	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
27	0.0	26	512	56	62	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
28	0.0	28	139	57	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
29	0.0	30	76	55	-----	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
30	0.0	26	249	54	-----	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
31	0.0	-----	205	52	-----	**	-----	**	-----	**	**	-----
TOTAL	0	1268	1746.7	2932	1314	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
MEAN	0.00	42.27	56.34	94.58	48.67	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
MAX	0	572	512	371	62	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
MIN	0	0	0	30	42	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
AC-FT	0.0	2515.0	3464.4	5815.5	2606.3	**	**	**	**	**	**	**

TOTAL\*\* = 7260.7 CFS      MEAN\*\* = 48.40 N/A      MAX = 572 CFS  
14,401 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 2540 CFS on NOV 16      4900 CFS on DEC 26

MIN Instantaneous Flow - 2040 CFS on JAN 20

\*\* INCOMPLETE RECORD, MISSING DATA FOR THIS DAY

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Lower San Simeon  
 Stream Gauge Station #22  
 Water Year OCT 2001 - SEP 2002  
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AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	155	507	0.32	0.76	14	8.8	0.22	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	30	588	0.34	0.66	14	8.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	21	143	0.27	0.84	13	7.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	18	98	0.24	1.2	11	6.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	15	71	0.18	1.8	11	5.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	14	53	0.14	12	9.3	4.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	13	45	0.34	62	7.9	5.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	12	31	0.27	23	6.2	5.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	11	23	0.26	15	6.6	6.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	10	20	0.23	11	7.3	6.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	10	17	0.24	10	8.0	5.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	32	16	0.24	11	8.0	5.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	93	15	14	0.24	11	8.3	5.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.04	13	12	0.25	11	8.3	5.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	13	11	0.75	11	8.5	5.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	15	8.3	6.5	12	8.4	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	13	7.3	1.2	12	8.4	3.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	16	7.1	0.75	15	8.5	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	130	6.9	0.77	25	8.2	0.70	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	68	5.8	1.0	16	7.5	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	76	4.8	0.95	14	6.4	6.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	51	4.1	0.77	12	5.3	6.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	37	1.6	0.81	11	5.2	6.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.02	30	0.90	1.0	31	5.8	6.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	111	28	0.80	1.6	21	6.5	5.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	8.1	24	0.57	0.78	14	7.5	4.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	3.9	25	0.87	0.79	13	8.6	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	94	102	0.70	1.1	12	8.9	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	24	160	0.53	-----	13	8.6	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	236	160	0.37	-----	13	9.0	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	89	0.33	-----	13	-----	0.54	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	570.06	1406	1700	22.33	429.26	254.2	150.64	0.22	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	19.00	45.35	54.84	0.80	13.85	8.47	4.86	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	236	160	588	6.5	62	14	8.8	0.22	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	10	0.33	0.14	0.66	5.2	0.54	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	1130.7	2788.8	3371.8	44.3	851.4	504.2	298.8	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 4532.7 CFS      MEAN = 12.42 N/A      MAX = 588 CFS  
 8,990 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 3000 CFS on JAN 2

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**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.2	29	11	6.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.1	26	11	5.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.9	23	10	3.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.2	616	9.6	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.4	299	9.3	0.67	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.8	321	10	0.43	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3	154	44	0.34	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.0	96	16	0.29	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12	74	12	0.24	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	47	58	11	0.20	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	193	318	47	10	0.15	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	109	99	41	9.9	0.10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	25	86	35	9.7	0.08	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	12	60	31	9.3	0.02	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.9	49	29	9.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	43	27	9.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.92	40	24	8.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.96	47	23	8.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	262	21	9.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	122	19	9.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	79	17	17	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	75	16	11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	116	83	15	9.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	43	687	14	8.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.0	118	398	14	8.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.0	45	139	13	7.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.0	29	71	12	7.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	0.0	21	42	12	7.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	0.0	15	-----	12	7.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	0.0	13	-----	11	6.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	0.0	11	-----	11	-----	0.0	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	0	0	764.38	2810.9	2140	328.2	18.82	0	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	0.00	24.66	100.39	69.03	10.94	0.61	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	0	193	687	616	44	6.3	0	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	0	4	11	6.8	0	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	0.0	1516.1	5575.3	4244.6	651.0	37.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 6062.3 CFS      MEAN = 16.61 N/A      MAX = 687 CFS  
 12,024 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 582 CFS on JAN 11      2180 CFS on FEB 24  
 2600 CFS on MAR 4

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**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	108	6.8	6.6	0.65	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	94	5.9	6.2	0.43	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	85	5.5	6.1	0.51	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	77	5.2	5.9	0.46	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	111	4.2	5.4	0.45	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	83	3.2	5.2	0.39	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	77	80	3.0	5.8	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	66	246	2.3	6.3	0.45	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	62	151	1.7	6.6	0.50	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	486	109	1.8	6.3	0.48	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	568	87	1.2	6.1	0.47	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	627	81	0.70	6.0	0.48	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2590	69	5.3	5.6	0.54	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1220	62	8.0	5.3	0.48	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	302	57	7.4	6.3	0.22	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	322	48	6.8	5.4	0.15	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	168	47	90	4.5	0.19	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	138	113	53	33	3.1	0.21	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	44	89	52	18	2.3	0.16	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	46	174	50	15	1.8	0.02	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	36	324	42	13	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	16	166	48	11	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	408	487	30	12	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	282	160	18	10	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	116	18	9.9	2.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	93	16	10	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	416	14	9.1	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	146	12	8.5	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	135	10	7.6	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	-----	9.2	7.2	0.96	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	0.0	**	-----	7.9	-----	1.0	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	0	0	970	8907	1975.1	323.3	124.16	7.62	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	0.00	40.42	387.26	63.71	10.78	4.01	0.26	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	0	408	2590	246	90	6.6	0.65	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	0	62	7.9	0.7	0.96	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	0.0	1924.0	17666.8	3917.6	641.3	246.3	15.1	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL\*\* = 12307 CFS      MEAN\*\* = 34.96 N/A      MAX = 2590 CFS  
24,411 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 1270 CFS on JAN 23      5490 CFS on FEB 13  
594 CFS on FEB 21      863 CFS on MAR 8  
1120 CFS on FEB 10      1220 CFS on FEB 23  
1760 CFS on FEB 23      230 CFS on APR 17

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**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	**	**	**	7.4	996	87	109	37	5.3	2.9	0.24	0.0
2	**	**	**	49	932	73	110	39	5.5	2.7	0.20	0.0
3	**	**	**	34	1150	66	111	36	4.2	2.7	0.16	0.0
4	**	**	**	64	389	59	113	38	1.4	2.4	0.0	0.0
5	**	**	**	40	177	63	99	215	1.2	2.8	0.0	0.0
6	**	**	**	27	524	78	78	63	1.1	2.6	0.0	0.0
7	**	**	**	23	1090	55	64	43	0.96	3.5	0.0	0.0
8	**	**	**	21	626	47	60	37	1.1	2.8	0.0	0.0
9	**	**	**	148	415	45	59	33	1.4	2.4	0.0	0.0
10	**	**	**	205	265	44	57	29	1.8	2.5	0.0	0.0
11	**	**	**	84	209	42	54	26	2.4	2.4	0.0	0.0
12	**	**	**	367	172	40	52	23	1.8	2.8	0.0	0.0
13	**	**	**	163	150	39	50	21	2.2	2.8	0.0	0.0
14	**	**	**	107	749	35	49	18	3.9	3.6	0.0	0.0
15	**	**	**	1000	290	32	47	16	5.1	3.0	0.0	0.0
16	**	**	**	263	777	31	45	14	6.0	1.6	0.0	0.0
17	**	**	**	135	440	29	43	12	5.3	1.0	0.0	0.0
18	**	**	**	101	222	27	41	10	5.2	0.84	0.0	0.0
19	**	**	**	**	565	26	40	7.8	5.7	0.51	0.0	0.0
20	**	**	**	**	238	25	39	6.2	6.0	0.43	0.0	0.0
21	**	**	**	**	552	25	37	4.1	5.5	0.37	0.0	0.0
22	**	**	15	**	395	24	35	2.1	5.2	0.56	0.0	0.0
23	**	**	12	**	355	24	34	1.4	4.6	0.63	0.0	0.0
24	**	**	11	**	222	148	35	1.2	4.8	0.47	0.0	0.0
25	**	**	9.9	**	162	52	35	1.0	3.7	0.52	0.0	0.0
26	**	**	9.1	**	129	68	36	0.92	2.5	0.39	0.0	0.0
27	**	**	8.3	**	108	74	36	0.80	2.2	0.46	0.0	0.0
28	**	**	7.9	**	97	545	37	2.4	2.4	0.34	0.0	0.0
29	**	**	7.8	**	-----	45	37	4.5	2.2	0.31	0.0	0.0
30	**	**	7.6	**	-----	49	37	5.0	2.6	0.31	0.0	0.0
31	**	-----	7.4	**	-----	78	-----	5.0	-----	0.27	0.0	-----
TOTAL	**	**	96	2838.4	12396	2075	1679	752.42	103.26	50.91	0.6	0
MEAN	**	**	9.60	157.69	442.71	66.94	55.97	24.27	3.44	1.64	0.02	0.00
MAX	**	**	15	1000	1150	545	113	215	6	3.6	0.24	0
MIN	**	**	7.4	7.4	97	24	34	0.8	0.96	0.27	0	0
AC-FT	**	**	190.4	5629.9	24587.1	4115.7	3330.2	1492.4	204.8	101.0	1.2	0.0

TOTAL\*\* = 19992 CFS      MEAN\*\* = 74.04 N/A      MAX = 1150 CFS  
39,653 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 1090 CFS on JAN 12      4660 CFS on FEB 3  
4400 CFS on FEB 16      979 CFS on MAR 24  
3290 CFS on JAN 15      4150 CFS on FEB 7  
2860 CFS on FEB 19      1050 CFS on MAR 28

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**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

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1	0.0	0.0	25	**	28	**	**	0.78	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	23	**	24	**	**	0.74	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	22	**	**	**	**	0.68	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	21	**	**	**	**	0.34	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	45	**	**	**	**	0.25	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	35	**	**	**	**		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	26	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	26	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	593	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	1020	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	874	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	609	**	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	213	83	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	145	83	**	**	**	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	114	278	**	**	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.36	100	126	**	**	3.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	1200	103	115	**	**	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	161	93	104	**	**	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	81	82	93	**	**	4.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	129	**	131	**	**	4.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	400	**	476	**	**	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	232	**	485	**	**	3.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	109	**	401	**	**	2.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	81	**	121	**	**	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	62	**	965	**	**	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	50	**	617	**	**	0.71	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	43	**	227	**	**	0.87	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	41	**	95	**	**	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	**	39	**	59	-----	**	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	**	38	**	43	-----	**	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	**	-----	**	36	-----	**	-----	0.0	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	2666.4	4169	4538	52	**	40.68	2.79	0	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	88.88	219.42	238.84	26.00	**	2.54	0.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	1200	1020	965	28	**	5	0.78	0	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	21	36	24	**	0.71	0	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	5288.6	8269.1	9001.0	103.1	**	80.7	5.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL\*\* = 11469 CFS      MEAN\*\* = 43.12 N/A      MAX = 1200 CFS  
22,748 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 2140 CFS on NOV 17      2560 CFS on DEC 10  
965 CFS on JAN 25      1080 CFS on NOV 21  
1950 CFS on DEC 11      1720 CFS on DEC 9  
1110 CFS on DEC 12

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**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	214	220	46	**	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	105	118	44	**	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	158	91	40	**	0.76	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	916	298	39	**	0.74	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1030	297	39	**	0.39	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	163	127	37	**	0.41	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	119	**	36	4.8	0.50	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	95	**	37	5.6	0.63	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	77	**	37	5.0	0.41	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	63	**	36	4.7	0.19	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	53	**	35	4.9	0.12	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.23	0.0	46	**	34	5.0	0.28	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	39	**	34	4.7	0.34	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	33	**	33	5.0	0.37	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	28	**	33	5.3	0.27	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	132	28	**	49	8.8	0.23	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	30	25	**	49	6.5	0.25	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	43	21	**	62	5.7	0.21	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	132	1190	**	46	5.3	0.11	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	54	862	46	42	4.6	0.03	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	33	460	45	40	4.4	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	23	265	44	38	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	13	160	43	38	5.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.2	120	42	38	4.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.0	474	90	41	**	3.8		0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.0	50	72	40	**	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.0	266	106	39	**	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	0.0	128	115	40	**	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	0.0	70	427	39	**	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	0.0	58	-----	39	**	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	0.0	1210	-----	39	-----	1.6	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	0	0.23	2725.2	7080	1648	962	114.9	8.65	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	0.01	87.91	244.14	91.56	40.08	4.60	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	0.23	1210	1190	298	62	8.8	1.4	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	0	21	39	33	1.6	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	0.5	5405.4	14043.0	3268.8	1908.1	227.9	17.2	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL\*\* = 12539 CFS      MEAN\*\* = 36.88 N/A      MAX = 1210 CFS  
24,871 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 2440 CFS on JAN 25      2240 CFS on FEB 5  
1120 CFS on JAN 16      1230 CFS on JAN 27      3310 CFS on FEB 19  
433 CFS on JAN 18      1210 CFS on JAN 31      1830 CFS on FEB 20  
376 CFS on JAN 19      4780 CFS on FEB 4      1070 CFS on FEB 21

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**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	61	31	60	33	5.2	2.1	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	53	74	55	32	5.1	1.4	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	48	335	51	22	5.2	1.1	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	355	45	242	49	18	3.6	2.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	267	41	549	46	17	4.1	1.3	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	49	37	193	45	16	3.4	0.88	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	212	57	126	42	15	3.2	0.69	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	194	129	107	39	13	3.1	0.72	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	135	84	1050	37	13	3.3	0.54	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	915	61	4270	36	12	4.2	0.32	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	443	54	704	33	12	4.5	0.31	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	408	49	294	31	11	2.5	0.28	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	279	402	172	29	13	3.5	0.30	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	886	451	142	28	11	2.5	0.23	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	629	116	123	26	11	4.6	0.09	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	220	93	104	26	11	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	136	81	90	24	9.6	6.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	97	68	78	23	9.2	5.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	71	60	72	21	9.0	6.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	71	52	124	21	8.9	5.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	82	48	140	19	8.7	4.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	81	44	708	18	8.2	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	254	42	381	16	8.3	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	1220	41	179	15	8.2	2.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.0	372	39	131	14	7.6	3.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.0	168	37	107	14	7.4	3.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.0	165	35	96	13	7.0	4.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	0.0	151	33	87	15	6.0	4.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	0.0	118	-----	80	41	5.5	4.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	0.0	92	-----	72	49	4.8	3.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	0.0	71	-----	65	-----	4.1	-----	0.0	0.0	-----

TOTAL	0	0	0	8141	2361	10926	936	372.5	129.8	12.26	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	0.00	262.61	84.32	352.45	31.20	12.02	4.33	0.40	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	0	1220	451	4270	60	33	7	2.1	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	0	33	31	13	4.1	2.5	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	0.0	16147.4	4683.0	21671.4	1856.5	738.8	257.5	24.3	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 22879 CFS      MEAN = 62.68 N/A      MAX = 4270 CFS  
45,379 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 1080 CFS on JAN 4      965 CFS on JAN 7  
1770 CFS on JAN 10      1040 CFS on JAN 11  
2090 CFS on JAN 14      1420 CFS on JAN 15  
2750 CFS on JAN 24      3730 CFS on FEB 13  
3060 CFS on FEB 14      870 CFS on MAR 3

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**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.4	12	0.89	0.50	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4	11	0.77	0.45	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	9.7	0.71	0.41	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	8.9	0.74	0.41	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6	8.5	0.61	0.40	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	8.9	0.62	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	103	8.2	0.54	0.78	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	112	7.7	0.61	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	45	7.5	5.3	0.83	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	34	7.0	2.8	0.55	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	28	6.5	1.1	0.44	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	25	6.0	0.67	0.41	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23	5.6	0.55	0.40	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23	5.4	0.50	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	22	5.1	0.45	0.36	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	22	5.2	0.42	0.33	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	241	5.3	0.40	0.34	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	106	4.8	0.39	0.41	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	336	3.5	0.38	0.41	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	271	2.1	0.37	0.42	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	81	1.8	0.37	0.41	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.02	49	2.2	0.36	0.36	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.7	34	1.6	0.35	0.33	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	85	26	4.2	0.38	0.32	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.0	56	20	8.3	7.3	0.28	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.0	34	17	4.3	5.1	0.24	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.0	16	15	2.5	1.8	0.15	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	0.0	10	13	2.1	0.90	0.04	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.5	-----	1.6	0.66	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.2	-----	1.5	0.58	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	0.0	5.4	-----	1.2	-----	0.0	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	0	0	228.82	1661	170.2	36.62	12.84	0	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.38	59.32	5.49	1.22	0.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	0	85	336	12	7.3	2.1	0	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	0	1.9	1.2	0.35	0	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	0.0	453.9	3294.5	337.6	72.6	25.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 2109.5 CFS      MEAN = 5.78 N/A      MAX = 336 CFS  
4,184 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 35 CFS on JAN 23      297 CFS on JAN 24  
89 CFS on JAN 25      312 CFS on FEB 7  
883 CFS on FEB 17      1860 CFS on FEB 19



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**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	32	27	1.7	0.06	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	33	24	1.5	0.06	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	36	22	1.9	0.02	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.9	31	19	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	223	3.8	194	17	7.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	49	8.9	373	15	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	48	12	125	13	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	33	15	88	12	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	16	36	75	12	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	10	262	57	10	0.98	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.5	192	47	9.6	0.78	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.1	683	41	13	0.82	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.05	0.0	2.8	567	36	11	0.82	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.49	0.0	2.1	203	37	8.8	0.69	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	610	33	7.9	0.65	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	365	23	6.9	0.55	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	40	0.0	1.4	194	19	6.5	0.57	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	107	18	5.5	0.64	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.99	82	17	4.7	0.56	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.89	326	25	4.5	0.54	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.90	103	35	4.1	0.27	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.86	75	93	3.7	0.11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.83	61	86	3.1	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.80	46	61	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.71	35	51	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.67	31	46	1.8	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.48	23	42	1.8	0.04	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.38	19	38	1.8	0.20	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	181	0.31	19	36	1.7	0.32	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	64	0.32	-----	34	1.8	0.33	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	1.8	0.94	-----	31	-----	0.07	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	40.54	246.8	407.38	4087.8	1893	274.3	27.96	0.14	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	1.35	7.96	13.14	140.96	61.06	9.14	0.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	40	181	223	683	373	27	7.7	0.06	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	0	1.7	17	1.7	0	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	80.4	489.5	808.0	8108.0	3754.7	544.1	55.5	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 6977.9 CFS      MEAN = 19.07 N/A      MAX = 683 CFS  
 13,841 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 783 CFS on JAN 5      1610 CFS on FEB 15  
 1300 CFS on FEB 14      1230 CFS on FEB 13  
 2360 CFS on MAR 5      752 CFS on FEB 20  
 2020 CFS on FEB 12



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1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	**	2.0	0.69	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	**	3.7	0.56	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	**	4.7	0.17	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	**	5.1	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	**	4.9	0.09	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	**	2.4	0.06	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	26	**	2.0	0.03	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	18	**	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14	**	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14	**	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	17	**	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	13	**	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	24	**	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	18	**	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	15	**	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	13	**	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	83	**	0.98	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	636	**	0.42	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	468	**	0.46	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	725	**	0.44	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	152	**	0.25	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	98	**	0.35	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	65	**	0.48	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	359	**	0.41	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	336	**	0.33	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	325	**	0.29	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	167	**	0.14	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**	100	**	0.07	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-----	65	**	0.43	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-----	51	**	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	0.0	0.0	-----	40	-----	0.77	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	3842	**	48.42	1.98	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	153.68	**	1.56	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	0	0	0	725	**	5.1	0.69	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	0	0	13	**	0.07	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7620.5	**	96.0	3.9	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL\*\* = 3892.4 CFS      MEAN\*\* = 11.87 N/A      MAX = 725 CFS  
7,720 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

MAX Instantaneous Flow - 3360 CFS on MAR 18      2690 CFS on MAR 20  
1590 CFS on MAR 24

\*\* INCOMPLETE RECORD, MISSING DATA FOR THIS DAY





**San Luis Obispo County  
Flood Control and Water Conservation District**

**Lower San Simeon  
Stream Gauge Station #22  
Water Year OCT 1987 - SEP 1988**

Latitude - 35° 35' 59"      Longitude - 121° 06' 47"

**AVERAGE DAILY DISCHARGE (CFS)**

Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.1	6.1	37	0.0	0.20	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.2	5.5	16	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.7	4.7	9.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.9	4.4	6.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	215	4.2	5.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	75	43	3.9	4.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	21	26	3.5	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	13	19	3.2	3.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	13	15	2.7	2.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.34	13	2.6	2.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	11	2.2	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.4	1.8	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.9	1.6	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.9	1.4	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.8	1.0	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.17	7.3	1.1	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	1.3	420	0.55	0.88	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.45	113	0.63	0.75	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.34	54	0.44	0.65	0.50	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.21	39	0.46	0.48	6.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.24	32	0.47	0.36	4.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.30	25	0.61	0.35	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.24	20	0.49	0.30	6.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.18	16	0.40	0.24	6.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.13	12	0.57	0.14	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.04	11	0.60	0.0	2.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.02	9.3	1.5	0.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	37	8.4	6.1	0.0	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	101	7.7	65	0.0	0.69	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	40	7.1	-----	0.0	0.43	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	-----	15	6.3	-----	0.0	-----	0.0	-----	0.0	0.0	-----
TOTAL	0	0	318.96	1187	127.72	104.25	35.82	0.2	0	0	0	0
MEAN	0.00	0.00	10.29	38.29	4.40	3.36	1.19	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAX	0	0	101	420	65	37	6.8	0.2	0	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	4.7	0.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AC-FT	0.0	0.0	632.6	2354.4	253.3	206.8	71.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TOTAL = 1774 CFS      MEAN = 4.85 N/A      MAX = 420 CFS  
3,519 AC-FT      MIN = 0 CFS

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**Appendix B**

**Simulated Effects of Water Reclamation  
Facility Operation**

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March 22, 2022

### MEMORANDUM

**To:** Ray Dienzo, Cambria Community Services District  
Melissa Bland, Cambria Community Services District

**From:** Gus Yates, Senior Hydrologist

**Re:** Simulated Effects of Water Reclamation Facility Operation

### BACKGROUND

The Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) purifies brackish groundwater extracted from the coastal part of the San Simeon Creek groundwater basin and processes it through microfiltration and reverse osmosis. After treatment, the water is injected back into the basin at a well farther up the San Simeon Creek Valley, where it augments groundwater available to three municipal wells that comprise the primary water supply for the community of Cambria. Cambria Community Services District (CCSD) constructed the WRF in 2014 under severe drought conditions, pursuant to an expedited emergency permitting procedure. At that time, the facility was called the Emergency Water Facility or Sustainable Water Facility. The locations of the WRF, extraction well, injection well, municipal wells and other hydrologic features are shown in **Figure 1**.

The WRF operated intermittently for 4 months in early 2015, 4 months at the end of 2015, and briefly at the end of 2016, injecting a total of approximately 89 AF of purified water into the basin. Health regulations required that the subsurface travel time from the injection wells to the nearest municipal supply well be at least two months. Groundwater modeling was done to identify an injection well location and injection rate that would meet that requirement.

The WRF has been idle since 2016, but CCSD is seeking to convert the emergency permit to a regular Coastal Development Permit. Although lagoon impact issues were discussed in previous environmental compliance documents (CCSD, 2016; CDM Smith, 2015), some regulatory agencies have lingering concerns that WRF operation could adversely impact habitat for several sensitive species that inhabit the lagoon and perennial pools along San Simeon Creek upstream of the lagoon (California Coastal Commission, 2016; California Department of Fish and Wildlife, 2016).

CCSD plans to operate the WRF in drought years. The 2020 urban water management plan (WSC, 2021) includes a water shortage contingency plan that defines six stages of increasing drought severity and describes associated management actions that would be taken to reduce demand and augment supply. Assuming the District obtains the regular permit to operate outside of emergencies, WRF operation is contemplated for the three most severe water shortage stages (Stages 4, 5 and 6).

The San Simeon Creek groundwater basin extends along San Simeon Creek valley from the Pacific Ocean about 5 miles upstream to Palmer Flats. The width of the alluvial deposits that comprise the basin is generally 800-1,500 feet, and the depth to bedrock along the center of the valley decreases from slightly over 100 feet at the coast to about 80 feet at Palmer Flats (Yates and Van Konyneburg, 1998). A thick sequence of fine-grained estuarine deposits separates the basin fill into upper and lower aquifers downstream of Van Gordon Creek, which enters the San Simeon Creek valley about 0.5 mile upstream of the ocean.

San Simeon Creek drains a watershed of 26 square miles. In normal years, base flow is continuously present during the winter wet season, gradually receding to zero in late spring or early summer. The dry season is defined as starting on the day flow at the upstream end of the basin (Palmer Flats) recedes to 0 cfs, and it continues until stream flow resumes the following winter (typically around December). Because percolation from San Simeon Creek supplies most of the recharge to the basin, water shortage conditions can result from an unusually long dry season or from a winter with so little stream flow that the basin is not completely refilled prior to the next dry season. Both of these conditions were incorporated into the scenario simulations.

## **MODEL ACTIVATION AND VERIFICATION**

In 2014, CDM Smith developed a numerical groundwater flow model of the San Simeon Creek groundwater basin for the purpose of simulating subsurface travel time of water from the WRF injection well to the nearest potable supply well (CDM Smith, 2014). The investigators modified an existing model for that purpose, decreasing the grid spacing and increasing the number of layers from three to eighteen. The model was recalibrated to measured water levels for 2002-2003. A groundwater tracer study was subsequently completed (CDM Smith, 2017). It confirmed the accuracy of the modeling and recommended a maximum injection rate of 400 gallons per minute (gpm). The modeling study presented some results related to simulated lagoon water levels and ocean boundary outflow, but the primary focus was on subsurface travel time.

For the present effort, the model was shifted from one proprietary modeling software platform (GMS) to another (Groundwater Vistas). Model layering was modified slightly, and inputs were changed to simulate March 2013 through December 2014 using semi-monthly stress periods. That two-year period was a drought and was selected to ensure that the model was calibrated to be accurate for dry-year scenarios, which are the focus of CCSD water supply planning. Model calibration involved adjustments to several variables. Layer thicknesses were adjusted to prevent excessive numbers of cells from going dry during the

simulations. The CDM Smith model had eighteen 5-foot-thick layers, and the upper layers tend to become unsaturated when simulated water levels decline. The MODFLOW-NWT solver simulates unsaturated flow but becomes unstable if large numbers of cells convert from saturated to unsaturated. This was particularly problematic near the upper end of the basin, which experiences large fluctuations in water levels as groundwater drains down-valley during the dry season then refills as soon as stream flow resumes. Most of the basin thickness in that region was assigned to model layer 1 to minimize unsaturation. Other variables adjusted during calibration included hydraulic conductivity, storativity and stream bed elevations.

**Figure 2** shows hydrographs comparing measured and simulated groundwater levels at nine wells used for calibration. The figure also shows a hydrograph of the simulated groundwater gradient between well SS-4 and well 9P2. The generally good fit between the simulated and measured hydrographs at the nine wells was confirmed by statistical analysis of pairs of simulated and measured data points. **Figure 3** shows a scatterplot of measured versus simulated water levels for the 362 available water level measurements. The plot is clustered tightly around the 1:1 line, which represents a perfect match. The scaled root-mean-squared error was 3.6 percent, which is low and indicates acceptable model calibration.

## WRF OPERATIONAL SCENARIOS

The primary objective of the modeling was to determine whether WRF operation would substantially diminish surface or groundwater inflow to the lagoon and/or lower reach of San Simeon Creek, which might have adverse biological impacts. A secondary objective was to identify the amounts of WRF operation needed under various drought conditions to meet water supply needs.

The overall WRF-groundwater system is complex, with many variables that interact. The diagram in **Figure 4** shows the components of the system. These include well 9P7 (the WRF supply well), the microfiltration component of the WRF, a lagoon discharge to San Simeon Creek that occurs while 9P7 is pumping, percolation of microfiltration backflush water at the percolation ponds, treatment of the remaining microfiltration water by reverse osmosis followed by injection at well RIW1, pumping of groundwater at CCSD's municipal wells (SS-1, SS-2 and SS-3), and percolation of treated wastewater at the ponds. Within the natural part of the system, seepage can occur in either direction between San Simeon Creek and groundwater and between the lagoon and groundwater. During the dry season, lagoon water seeps through the beach berm to reach the ocean. The basin extends offshore, and deeper layers are presumed to be in hydraulic connection with the ocean at some unknown offshore distance. Consequently, groundwater flow at the coastline can be seaward or landward, depending on the difference between onshore and offshore water levels. A change in any of the flows in this system affects all other flows.

The WRF is expensive to operate and would only be turned on in dry years when the supply of native groundwater might not be sufficient to meet CCSD water demand. CCSD plans to operate the WRF in water shortage Stages 5 and 6 and possibly in Stage 4. Those are the



three most severe water shortage stages. To represent hydrologic conditions likely to be associated with those stages, the two years of the simulation period for scenario analysis represented two types of drought: a long dry season and a winter with incomplete basin recharge. These were implemented by adjusting the amount of San Simeon Creek inflow at the upstream end of the basin. **Figure 5** shows the assumed semi-monthly inflows for normal, Stage 4 and Stage 6 scenarios.

Some aspects of the model were held constant for all scenarios. These global assumptions included:

- Annual CCSD water demand in normal years is 700 AFY.
- Water shortage stages are associated with increasing amounts of water conservation. For Stage 4, conservation is assumed to decrease annual water demand by 40 percent, and for Stage 6 by 50 percent, per the water shortage contingency plan documented in the District's 2020 urban water management plan (WSC, 2021).
- The monthly distribution of water demand follows the average for 2013-2019. Monthly amounts range from 6.8 percent of the annual total in February to 10 percent in July. This reflects customer water use behavior during a drought.
- Pumping from the Santa Rosa Creek basin (located south of the San Simeon Creek basin) equals 20 percent of the CCSD water demand (after conservation) on an annual basis. The Santa Rosa pumping quota is distributed uniformly during June through October.
- Municipal wastewater percolation equals 92 percent of total CCSD water use on an annual basis and is uniform throughout the year. This was the percentage during 2014-2015, and it reflects customer water use patterns under drought conditions.
- All wastewater percolation is at Pond A (the most westerly pond).
- All water produced by WRF supply well 9P7 is processed through microfiltration.
- Microfiltration is 94.1 percent efficient. That is, 5.9 percent of the inflow is used to backflush the filters and is sent to the wastewater ponds for percolation.
- A constant flow of microfiltration product water is discharged to San Simeon Creek just upstream of the lagoon whenever well 9P7 is actively pumping. This flow could be adjusted independently of the reverse osmosis and RIW1 injection rates to prevent lagoon elevations and inflow from declining while the WRF is operating. Rates of 100-140 gpm were used in the simulations. These were assumed to be constant for each simulation, although in practice the lagoon discharge could be adjusted monthly as needed.
- Well 9P7 is assumed to have a pumping rate of 581 gpm, which was the measured discharge rate. Because the volume of WRF product water injected at well RIW1 varies by month and by scenario, the monthly hours of operation of well 9P7 also vary, and hence so does the monthly volume of lagoon discharge.

- Water produced by well 9P7 that is not used for backflushing the microfiltration filters or for lagoon discharge is processed through reverse osmosis. The reverse osmosis process has an efficiency of 92.1 percent (the remaining 7.9 percent is a brine that is trucked out of the basin for disposal). The reverse osmosis and advanced oxidation product water is injected at well RIW1.
- For a target amount of injection at well RIW1 in any semi-monthly stress period, the fraction of total time that 9P7 is pumping is imputed based on the recovery efficiencies of microfiltration and reverse osmosis. This is also the fraction of time the lagoon discharge is occurring. It is calculated based on the capacity of well 9P7 and the instantaneous lagoon discharge according to the following formula:

$$X = \frac{\left\{ \frac{RIW}{RO_{eff} \cdot MF_{eff}} \right\}}{\left\{ 9P7_{cap} - \left( \frac{Lag}{MF_{eff}} \right) \right\}}$$

- Where,
- X is the fraction of time 9P7 and the discharge are occurring
- RIW is the target WRF product water injection volume for the stress period (AF)
- RO<sub>eff</sub> is the recovery efficiency of the reverse osmosis process (fraction)
- MF<sub>eff</sub> is the recovery efficiency of the microfiltration process (fraction)
- 9P7<sub>cap</sub> is the pumping capacity of well 9P7 if it operated continuously for the entire stress period (AF)
- Lag is the volume of lagoon discharge that would result if the discharge occurred continuously for the entire stress period (AF)
- Given a pumping capacity of 581 gpm for well 9P7, a lagoon discharge rate of 100 gpm, and the aforementioned efficiencies, the equation can be solved for X. The actual stress period volumes of 9P7 and lagoon discharge water equal their stress period capacities multiplied by X.
- 60 percent of water injected at RIW1 is available for extraction by municipal wells SS-1 and SS-2, and pumping of native groundwater is decreased by that amount. The remaining 40 percent of injected water flows joins native groundwater and flows west toward well 9P7 and the percolation pond area. This proportion was determined by prior modeling (CDM Smith, 2014).
- The lagoon discharge is to San Simeon Creek at the next-to-last stream cell before entering the lagoon (about 80 feet upstream of the lagoon).
- The lagoon has a fixed footprint.
- The “equivalent freshwater head” model assigns a constant head of 3.33 feet above the NAVD88 datum for all offshore cells in model layer 1. Lower model layers are assigned higher constant heads reflecting the greater density of seawater relative to fresh groundwater. Cells along the offshore end of the model grid in layers 10-12 are assigned a head of 3.84 feet, and cells along the offshore end of layers 14-18 are assigned a head of 5.40 feet. The density difference between seawater and fresh water can cause seawater to intrude a short distance into the onshore part of the aquifer, although in practice low onshore water levels due to pumping typically have a much larger effect.

- The principal management variable in the scenarios is the timing and amount of WRF operation. Other flexible input variables that were tested over a range of values were year type (water shortage stage) and the amounts of groundwater pumping for irrigation by neighboring well owners Pedotti and Warren. **Table 1** shows the combinations of assumptions regarding these variables for each of the scenarios.

## SIMULATED EFFECTS OF WRF OPERATION

### Hydrologic Conditions for Two Successive Dry Years

Each simulation covered a period of 22 months using semi-monthly stress periods. The simulations start in March with a full basin condition and continued through December of the following year. For model calibration, this period corresponded to March 2013-December 2014. Thus, the simulations covered two dry seasons. To simulate operational scenarios, different drought conditions were assumed for each dry season. The first one was long, with stream flow at Palmer Flats ceasing April 1 (for Stage 4 water shortage scenarios) or March 1 (for Stage 6) and not resuming until mid-January of the following year (see **Figure 5**). The second dry season was only moderately long (April 1 through December 15), but groundwater levels did not fully recover during the wet season between the two dry seasons. By trial and error, it was found that four semi-monthly stress periods with 5 cfs of San Simeon Creek inflow at Palmer Flats achieved partial basin refilling. These low flows mostly percolated out of the creek at the upstream end of the basin, with little surface flow reaching as far as the municipal well field. Water levels at the upstream end of the basin (represented by well 11B1) completely refilled for 2 weeks in late March before beginning the usual dry-season decline. Refilling decreased to about 40 percent of normal (based on water levels) at irrigation well 10M2, to about 35 percent of normal at the well field and roughly 10 percent of normal at well 9P7.

### Operational Constraints

Constraints on WRF operation include infrastructure capacity, conditions in permits, and environmental impacts. None of the scenarios exceeded the capacity of well 9P7 or the microfiltration and reverse osmosis units. All of those operated less than full time in the scenarios. The dry season and annual groundwater production limits in CCSD's water rights permit were never exceeded. The limitation that most commonly constrained operation was the water-level gradient between well SS-4 and well 9P2 (see locations in **Figure 1**). To prevent the subsurface flow of percolated wastewater toward the well field, the water level in SS-4 should always be higher than the water level in 9P2. The existing permit for operating the percolation ponds allows temporary excursions to a reverse gradient, with SS-4 as much as -0.79 foot below 9P2. In practice, CCSD operates the system to avoid a water level difference less than +0.75 foot, and this was the criterion used in the scenarios.

The Coastal Commission has expressed concern regarding potential impacts of decreased inflow to the lagoon, although no quantitative threshold of significance has been defined.

The lagoon receives surface and subsurface inflow during the dry season. For the scenario analysis, the sum of the two inflows was tabulated for each stress period, and the minimum inflow during each dry season was identified. Lagoon inflow is affected by several variables including drought severity, irrigation pumping, municipal pumping and WRF operation. With regard to WRF operation, the effects of pumping at well 9P7 are partially or entirely offset by the lagoon discharge, a slight increase in percolation at the ponds, and injection at well RIW1.

Seawater intrusion is another potential constraint on system operation. If pumping and drought conditions cause groundwater levels near the coast to drop below 3.33 ft NAVD88 in upper model layers or 5.40 ft NAVD88 in lower model layers, groundwater flow across the coastline will shift from seaward to landward. The salinity of groundwater in the offshore part of the basin is not known, but eventually saline groundwater would begin arriving at onshore parts of the basin. Small amounts of landward groundwater flow during the dry season are not necessarily a concern if the water is flushed by large amounts of seaward flow during the wet season. Accordingly, scenario results were evaluated based on the ratio of seaward to landward flow on an annual basis and on the occurrence of relatively high amounts of landward flow.

### **Simulation of Normal Year Conditions**

Under normal year conditions, CCSD water use was assumed to equal the full 700 AFY of demand, with no reduction by conservation. The dry season for San Simeon Creek flow was from June 1 to December 15 in both years of the simulation, and the basin refilled completely over the intervening wet season. The WRF was assumed not to operate.

This scenario was acceptable with respect to lagoon inflow and seawater intrusion but not with respect to the SS-4/9P2 gradient. Simulated water levels at key wells are shown in **Figure 6**, where they are compared with measured and simulated historical water levels for 2013-2014. The simulated CCSD water demand was greater than the demand during 2013-2014, but water levels declined more gradually during the start of the dry seasons due to generally wetter conditions. By December, however, the SS-4/9P2 gradient had dropped below the minimum target of +0.75 foot, reaching +0.17 foot in both years. The basin refilled abruptly when stream flow resumed and remained full throughout the wet season.

The brief downward spike in the the SS-4/9P2 gradient visible in December 2014 is present in the results for all scenarios. It is an artifact of model gridding, which causes the rapid rise in water levels at the onset of the winter flow season to reach well 9P7 before well SS-4 in the first time step of the final semi-weekly stress period. It is not meaningful from a water management standpoint.

Hydrographs of simulated lagoon water levels are shown in **Figure 7**, where they are compared with the results for other scenarios. For the normal year scenario, simulated lagoon levels were about 0.2-0.3 ft higher than for any other scenario during the first dry season. During the second dry season normal year water levels were very similar to those during the first dry season and 0.4-1.4 ft higher than those under the other scenarios. The

other scenarios all included incomplete basin recharge over the winter, which lowers lagoon water levels substantially during the following dry season.

Water budgets for the scenarios were tabulated for two periods: March of year 1 through March of year 2, and April through December of year 2. The 13-month period for the first dry season was necessary because low stream recharge during winter caused water levels and gradients to continue declining through March of the second year. In other words, the winter months were functionally an extension of the year 1 dry season. The second budget analysis period covers a more normal April-December dry season for year 2. Key water budget inputs and results for all scenarios are listed in **Table 2**, with results for the first dry season shown in the upper table and results for the second dry season in the lower table. Scenarios may be compared within each dry season. Because of their different durations, results for the first dry season may not be directly comparable to results for the second dry season.

The minimum simulated lagoon inflow during the first and second dry seasons is shown in **Figure 8**, along with results for other scenarios. Minimum inflow during the first dry season under normal year conditions was slightly less than for historical 2013-2014 conditions, probably because the greater amount of CCSD pumping in the normal year scenario more than balanced the drier hydrologic conditions during 2013-2014. The opposite was true during the second year, when the larger amount of stream flow under normal year conditions more than offset the higher pumping.

Annual groundwater flow across the coastline is shown for all scenarios in **Figure 9**. All of the scenarios show a small amount of groundwater flow from offshore to onshore. This small, constant amount is probably an artifact of the equivalent freshwater head boundary condition in the model, which tends to create some vertical “short-circuiting” of groundwater flow from deep layers (where constant head = 5.40 ft) to shallow layers (where constant head = 3.33 ft). This effect could affect water levels and flow as far inland as the coastline. In any case, groundwater outflow in normal years exceeded groundwater inflow across the coastline by a factor of 24 to 29 in the two dry seasons, indicating an absence of significant intrusion.

#### **Simulation of Stage 4 Water Shortage Conditions**

Stage 4 water shortage conditions were simulated with and without WRF operation to test the specific effects of the WRF. Annual CCSD water demand was assumed to be reduced by 10 percent through conservation efforts. Simulated water levels at key wells with and without WRF operation are shown in **Figure 10**. Water levels under the stage 4 scenario without WRF operation were similar to historical 2013-2014 water levels during the first dry season but much lower during the second year due to the assumption of incomplete basin recovery in winter. The effect of WRF operation was to raise water levels from well 10M2 down to well 9P2 by 0.5-1 foot from the summer of year 1 through the end of year 2. The effect on the SS-4/9P2 gradient was more pronounced. WRF operation raises water levels at both wells, but it raises them more at SS-4, which is near injection well RIW1. The gradient responds immediately to WRF operation. In this scenario, operation at 10 acre-feet per

month (AF/mo) increased the gradient by about 0.5 ft as long as the WRF was operating. Conversely, the gradient quickly drops by the same amount when the WRF is turned off.

Without WRF operation, the gradient declined below the minimum target in both years (to -0.60 and -0.45 ft, respectively). As described earlier, the brief downward spike in the gradient in December of year 2 is an artifact of modeling and not meaningful for water management. With WRF operation at 10-30 AF/mo, the minimums were close to the target in both years (+0.70 and +0.60 ft, respectively). Larger amounts of WRF operation would have increased the gradient even further. Because of the speed at which the gradient responds to WRF operation, WRF operation can be adjusted in real time to prevent the gradient from falling below the target.

An instantaneous lagoon discharge rate of 140 gpm was found to be necessary to prevent reductions in the minimum dry-season lagoon elevation and inflow. For example, with a discharge rate of 100 gpm, the minimum dry-season elevation was 0.01 to 0.05 ft lower than without WRF operation, and the minimum dry-season inflow was 0.05 to 0.09 AF/mo lower. With the 140 gpm discharge rate, minimum elevations were only 0.03 ft lower and minimum inflows were 0.02-0.03 cfs higher than without WRF operation (see **Figures 7 and 8**). The effect of WRF operation on the lagoon can be controlled by adjusting the lagoon discharge rate. The discharge has a larger effect on lagoon inflow than lagoon elevation. In practice, the width of the beach berm at the ocean end of the lagoon generally exerts the greatest influence on lagoon elevation.

Groundwater flow across the coastline under Stage 4 conditions was essentially the same with and without WRF operation. In both cases, the ratio of groundwater outflow to groundwater inflow was slightly smaller than in normal years, but the ratios remained above 20 (see **Figure 9**). Thus, seawater intrusion was not a concern for either scenario.

### **Simulation of Stage 6 Water Shortage Conditions**

The difference between Stage 4 and Stage 6 hydrologic conditions is most apparent at the start of year 1, when San Simeon Creek inflow ceased a month earlier under Stage 6. This can be seen in the hydrographs for wells 10M2 and SS-2 in **Figure 11**. For both water shortage stages, stream flows in winter 2014 were assumed to be identical and insufficient to completely replenish groundwater storage. Thus, the simulations were very similar during year 2.

The amount of WRF operation was adjusted for the Stage 6 scenario so that the SS-4/9P2 gradient remained almost continuously above the target minimum of +0.75 foot. To avoid excessive WRF operation, the amounts of water injected at RIW1 were varied from month to month, as they could be under real-time operation. By trial and error, it was found that WRF operation at 15-30 AF/mo was needed from August of year 1 through April of year 2, with the highest rates occurring in December-January. WRF operation at 15-40 AF/mo was also needed in year 2, with the highest rates occurring in November-December. Over the course of the two years, WRF injection for Stage 6 was less than 10 percent greater than for

Stage 4 because of greater assumed water conservation and because the principal hydrologic difference was one additional month of dry season in year 1.

Stage 6 drought conditions were slightly worse than Stage 4 conditions with respect to the lagoon and ocean boundary flow. Assuming WRF operation in both cases, the minimum simulated lagoon elevation was 0.05-0.06 ft lower for Stage 6 (see **Table 2**). The minimum simulated lagoon inflow was 0.04-0.06 cfs lower and annual groundwater outflow across the coastline was 10-102 AF (2-10 percent) lower. However, simulated groundwater inflow was the same.

### **Simulations of Increased Irrigation Pumping**

Two farming operations use groundwater from the San Simeon Creek basin, and in both cases potential future groundwater use is greater than recent historical use. Jon Pedotti farms numerous fields along the basin from just upstream of the well field to Palmer Flats. His supply wells include several of the wells used for water level monitoring: 11B1, 10A1, 10M2 and others (see **Figure 1** for locations). In the late 1980s, all of his fields were planted every year and were irrigated primarily by sprinkler or furrow methods, resulting in estimated groundwater pumping of 264 AFY (Yates and Van Konyenburg, 1998). Irrigation was converted almost entirely to drip by the early 2000s, and Mr. Pedotti presently plants only about half of his total acreage each year (Pedotti, 2021). His annual groundwater pumping in recent years is estimated to be approximately 130 AFY. At full production, it would be about 260 AFY.

Clyde Warren irrigates land in and near Van Gordon Creek from well 9P4, which is located 86 feet north of well 9P7 in the percolation pond area. Pumping from well 9P4 is metered and recorded by CCSD. His cropping has been small in recent years, and pumping averaged only 14.5 AFY during 2012-2018. However, pursuant to an agreement with CCSD reached in 2006, he is entitled to pump 183.5 AFY.

Because of the well locations, increased groundwater pumping by the two farming operations was expected to have different effects on water levels, the SS-4/9P7 gradient, lagoon inflow and ocean boundary flow. Accordingly, increased pumping was simulated separately for each farming operation.

### **Increased Pedotti Pumping**

For this scenario, the Stage 4 + WRF scenario was modified by increasing Pedotti pumping from 130 to 260 AFY in year 1 and year 2. The irrigation season was assumed to remain the same (June through October). The timing of irrigation pumping does not substantially affect simulation results as long as it all occurs during the dry season. WRF operation was adjusted iteratively to maintain the SS-4/9P2 gradient above +0.75 foot.

Simulated water levels at key wells are shown in **Figure 12**, where they are compared with the earlier Stage 4 + WRF scenario results. The largest effect shown is at well 10M2, which is a Pedotti irrigation well. Water levels were 4-5 ft lower due to the increased irrigation

pumping. The effect extended all the way down the basin but decreased in magnitude to about 1 foot at well 16D1 near the lagoon. WRF operation had to be increased substantially above the amount needed for the Stage 4 + WRF scenario to prevent the SS-4/9P2 gradient from dropping below +0.75. WRF operation was required continuously from April of year 1 through December of year 2 at rates 5-15 AF/mo greater than the rates for corresponding months of the Stage 4 + WRF scenario. Over the course of the two years, WRF production was 1.4 times greater than for the Stage 4 + WRF scenario without the increased Pedotti pumping (see **Table 2**).

This simulation included a lagoon discharge of 100 gpm, and the minimum simulated lagoon elevations were 0.13-0.17 foot lower than for the scenario without increased Pedotti pumping (see **Figure 7**). Minimum simulated lagoon inflow was reduced by 0.08-0.16 cfs. A higher rate of lagoon discharge could potentially eliminate the decreased inflow but might not fully offset the decrease in lagoon elevation. Seaward flow of groundwater across the ocean boundary in year 1 was similar to the flows for the Stage 4 + WRF and Stage 6 + WRF scenarios, but outflow was lower in inflow was higher in year 2 (see **Figure 9** and **Table 2**). Groundwater outflow was 12-17 times greater than inflow, compared to 18-29 times greater for the earlier scenarios. Seawater intrusion is a potential concern with increased Pedotti pumping.

### **Increased Warren Pumping**

To simulate increased irrigation pumping by Clyde Warren, the Stage 4 + WRF scenario was modified to increase irrigation pumping at well 9P4 from 15 AFY to 183.5 AFY during both dry seasons. The timing of irrigation pumping was assumed to remain the same. This scenario was simulated with and without WRF operation, to determine the extent to which WRF operation compounds or counteracts the effects of Warren pumping. The assumed lagoon discharge rate was 100 gpm whenever 9P7 was operating. WRF operation was increased only as much as was needed to maintain the SS-4/9P2 gradient at or above the target minimum of +0.75 foot. Total WRF injection over the two years was similar to the total for the Stage 4 + WRF scenario.

Simulated groundwater levels for increased Warren pumping with and without WRF operation are shown in **Figure 13**. WRF operation was able to increase the minimum SS-4/9P2 gradient from +0.09 to +0.62 foot in year 1 and from +0.12 to +0.88 foot in year 2. Additional WRF operation could have achieved even larger increases. Simulated lagoon levels were the lowest of any of the simulations, continuously 0.5-1.0 ft below the Stage 4 + WRF and Stage 6 + WRF levels (see **Figure 7**). The lower lagoon elevations were caused by the large amount of irrigation pumping at well 9P4 and its location relatively close to the lagoon. In this pair of simulations, adding WRF operation did not change the minimum lagoon water level during year 1 but lowered it by 0.04 ft in year 2. This could be largely or completely offset by increasing the rate of lagoon discharge during August-September of year 2.

With Warren pumping, the minimum lagoon elevations and inflows occurred in August of both years, during the peak of the irrigation season. Minimum lagoon inflow in year 1 (with



or without WRF operation) was about the same as for the Stage 4 + WRF scenario. In year 2, however, it was only about half as much (again, with or without WRF operation). The potential for seawater intrusion was also the highest of any of the scenarios. Without WRF operation, groundwater outflow at the coastline was only about 16 times greater than groundwater inflow in year 1 and about 10 times greater in year 2. The ratios were slightly smaller with WRF operation (see **Table 2** and **Figure 9**).

**Figure 14** compares water levels and groundwater flow directions in shallow and deep parts of the basin in November of year 2 with WRF operation and maximum Warren irrigation pumping. The upper plot shows contours of groundwater elevation in model layer 1 (top layer) using a contour interval of 0.2 foot. The pumping depression around wells 9P2 and 9P7 due to Warren and WRF pumping is visible as closed contours. The water table mound beneath Pond A also appears as a closed contour, about midway between the wells and the lagoon. The contours bend toward the lagoon and lower end of San Simeon Creek, indicating groundwater discharge into those water bodies even at the end of the dry season in year 2. Note that the base map in the figure overstates the length of the lagoon; it does not extend above the road crossing. Farther upstream, injection at well RIW1 produces a water-level plateau in the upstream direction (toward the municipal wells) and a steep gradient in the downstream direction, toward well 9P7.

In contrast, the water level gradient in model layer 16 near the bottom of the basin is landward from the offshore ocean boundary (lower plot in **Figure 14**). Groundwater elevation decreases from 5.0 ft NAVD88 offshore (the freshwater equivalent of sea level) to 4.6 ft at well 9P7, which is the low point for water levels in that model layer. The landward gradient is very small, but it produces the small increase in landward groundwater flow evident in the water balance.

WRF is capable of achieving an acceptable SS-4/9P7 gradient in the presence of maximum Warren pumping, but it cannot prevent lagoon impacts and increased risk of seawater intrusion associated with that pumping.

## CONCLUSIONS

Conclusions that can be drawn from model calibration and the scenario simulations include the following:

- The reactivated model is calibrated to measured water levels during 2013-2014 with reasonable accuracy.
- Eight weeks of 5 cfs of San Simeon Creek inflow at Palmer Flats during the wet season only partially refills the basin. Increasing 2-4 of those weeks to 10 cfs refills it.
- The occurrence of two successive years as dry as the two years in the simulation is very unlikely. Although the two dry seasons were intended to be evaluated independently, the limited stream recharge between them had the effect of

prolonging some effects of the first dry season until March of year 2. Thus, the simulations represent extreme drought conditions with respect to stream flow.

- The amount of WRF injection can be adjusted to exactly meet the target minimum SS-4/9P7 gradient. The gradient responds very quickly to starting or stopping WRF operation. This would allow the amount of WRF injection to be adjusted in real time during a dry season to keep the gradient above the minimum.
- The lagoon discharge can similarly be adjusted independently of the reverse osmosis and RIW1 injection volumes to achieve target lagoon elevations and inflows. Simulation results demonstrated that a lagoon discharge rate of 100 gpm proved to be too small to prevent slight declines in minimum dry season lagoon elevation and inflow for the Stage 4 and Stage 6 simulations, relative to the corresponding simulations without WRF operation. This is probably because the original estimate of 100 gpm assumed a continuous discharge at that rate, whereas the simulations indicated that the WRF supply well (9P7) would need to operate much less than full time to supply the necessary injection at well RIW1. When the simulations were repeated with lagoon discharge rates of 120-140 gpm, simulated minimum dry-season lagoon levels and inflow were approximately the same as in the simulations without WRF operation. The discharge has a stronger effect on lagoon inflow than lagoon elevation.
- WRF operation can compensate for failure to achieve water conservation goals at each water shortage stage. It would supply the needed make-up water and keep groundwater conditions within constraints related to the SS-4/9P2 gradient, lagoon inflow and seawater intrusion. This could offer CCSD customers a choice between cutting back even further on water use or paying for expensive WRF water.
- In the Stage 4 + WRF and Stage 6 + WRF scenarios, it was possible to meet all three criteria for acceptability by adjusting the WRF injection volumes and lagoon discharge volumes on a semi-monthly basis. The SS-4/9P2 gradient remained above +0.75 foot almost continuously, lagoon levels and inflow were not reduced, and seawater intrusion did not occur.
- Groundwater flow in upper model layers near the coast was consistently toward the lagoon and ocean in all scenarios, even at the end of the dry season. In scenarios with maximum irrigation pumping (Pedotti or Warren), groundwater flow in deep model layers became landward in the summer of year 1 and remained landward until December of year 2. The gradients were small, but the condition persisted for 16 months. That condition could potentially cause seawater intrusion.
- The amounts of WRF injection required to prevent the SS-4/9P2 gradient from dropping below +0.75 ft ranged from 145 to 220 AF for the first dry season, and 145 to 235 AF for the second dry season, depending on the scenario. The highest amounts were in the scenario with increased Pedotti irrigation pumping.

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**Table 1. Summary of Scenario Input Values**

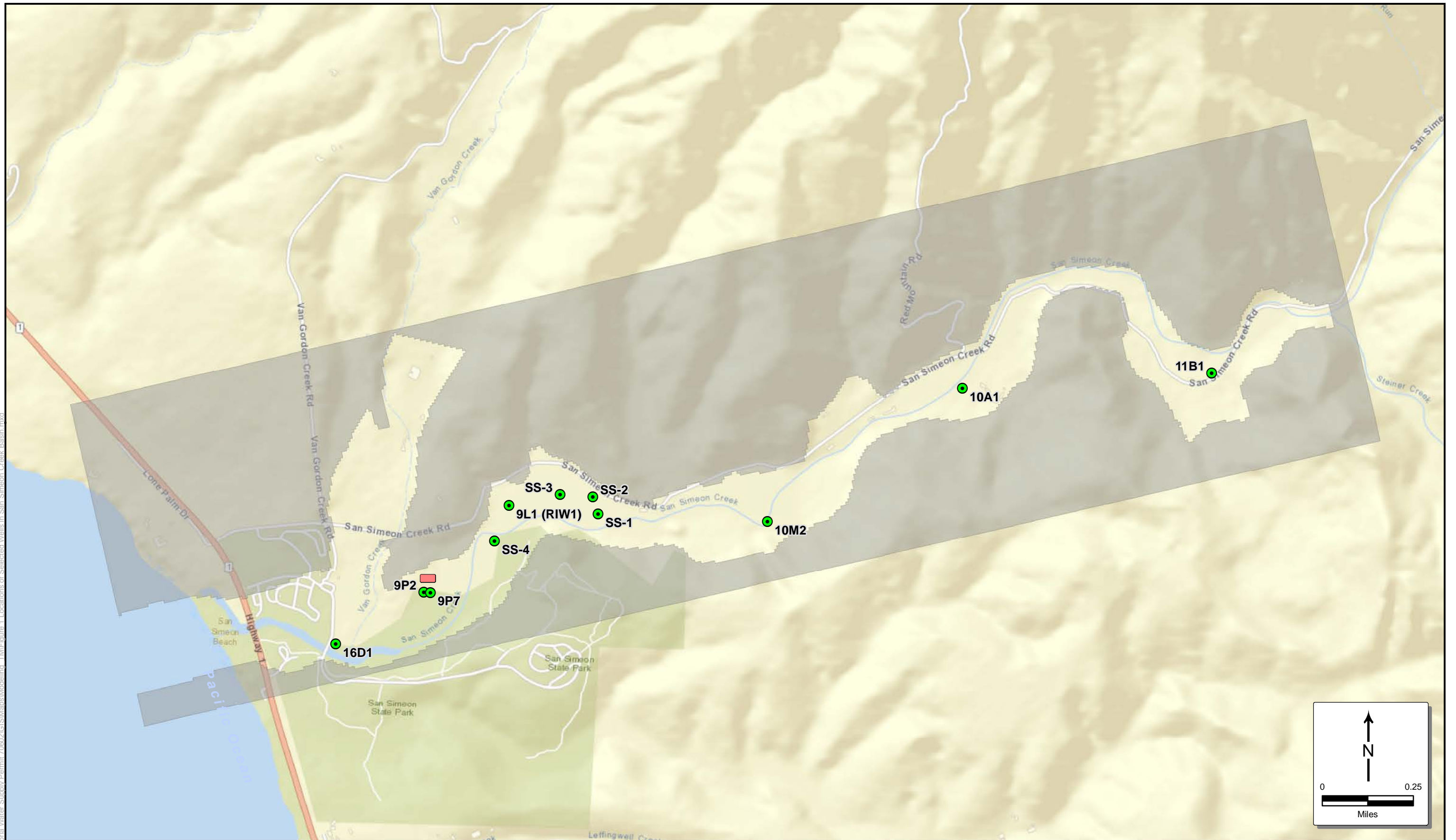
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Normal Year	None		Recent historical	Recent historical	0
Stage 4	4		Recent historical	Recent historical	0
Stage 4 + WRF	4	✓	Recent historical	Recent historical	120
Stage 6 + WRF	6	✓	Recent historical	Recent historical	120
Stage 4 + WRF + Full Pedotti Irrigation	4	✓	Full	Recent historical	100
Stage 4 + Maximum Warren Irrigation	4		Recent historical	Maximum	0
Stage 4 + WRF + Maximum Warren Irrigation	4	✓	Recent historical	Maximum	100

Table 2. Water Balance Results for Scenarios

Scenario Description	Year Type	March of Year 1 through March of Year 2																			
		CCSD Water Demand after Conservation (AFY)	Date Flow Ceases at Palmer Flats	Date Flow Resumes at Palmer Flats	San Simeon Well Field Groundwater Pumping (AF)	Pond Percolation (AF)		WRF Supply Well 9P7 Pumping (AF)	RIW1 Injection (AF)	Lagoon Discharge (AF)	Pedotti Irrigation Pumping (AF)	Warren Irrigation Pumping (AF)	Minimum SS-4 to 9P2 Water Level Difference (feet)	Minimum Lagoon Elevation		Minimum Dry-Season Inflow to Lagoon (cfs)				Groundwater Flow Across Coastline (AF)	
						Municipal Wastewater	Microfiltration Backflush							Month	Elevation (feet NAVD88)	Month	Creek	Ground-water	Total	To Offshore	From Offshore
Historical 2013-2014	2013-2014	753	May 29	Feb 28	740	563	0	0	0	0	99	15	+0.23	OCT 2013	4.35	MAR 2014	0.58	0.34	0.92	1,157	48
Normal	Normal	753	Jun 1	Dec 16	613	697	0	0	0	0	130	15	+0.17	DEC 2013	4.6	DEC 2013	0.45	0.38	0.83	1,497	51
Stage 4, no WRF	Stage 4	678	Apr 1	Jan 1	552	628	0	0	0	0	130	15	-0.60	MAR 2014	4.17	FEB 2014	0.21	0.29	0.50	1,040	47
Stage 4 + WRF	Stage 4	678	Apr 1	Jan 1	552	628	14	229	150	52	130	15	+0.79	MAR 2014	4.14	MAR 2014	0.31	0.22	0.53	1,023	51
Stage 6 + WRF	Stage 6	602	Mar 1	Jan 16	490	558	17	276	188	56	130	15	+0.81	MAR 2014	4.08	FEB 2014	0.27	0.22	0.49	921	51
Stage 4 + WRF + Pedotti	Stage 4	678	Apr 1	Jan 1	552	628	18	312	220	55	260	15	+0.72	MAR 2014	4.01	FEB 2014	0.25	0.2	0.45	942	55
Stage 4 + Warren	Stage 4	678	Apr 1	Jan 1	552	628	0	0	0	0	130	183	-0.68	AUG 2013	4.12	AUG 2013	0.17	0.35	0.52	855	52
Stage 4 + WRF + Warren	Stage 4	678	Apr 1	Jan 1	552	628	12	206	145	36	130	183	+0.63	AUG 2013	4.12	AUG 2013	0.17	0.35	0.52	845	58

Scenario Description	Year Type	April 2014 through December of Year 2																			
		CCSD Water Demand after Conservation (AFY)	Date Flow Ceases at Palmer Flats	Date Flow Resumes at Palmer Flats	San Simeon Well Field Groundwater Pumping (AF)	Pond Percolation (AF)		WRF Supply Well 9P7 Pumping (AF)	RIW1 Injection (AF)	Lagoon Discharge (AF)	Pedotti Irrigation Pumping (AF)	Warren Irrigation Pumping (AF)	Minimum SS-4 to 9P2 Water Level Difference (feet)	Minimum Lagoon Elevation		Minimum Dry-Season Inflow to Lagoon (cfs)				Groundwater Flow Across Coastline (AF)	
						Municipal Wastewater	Microfiltration Backflush							Month	Elevation (feet NAVD88)	Month	Creek	Ground-water	Total	To Offshore	From Offshore
Historical 2013-2014	2013-2014	543	April 27	Dec 5	541	317	0	0	0	0	112	27	+0.52	NOV 2014	4.43	SEP 2014	0.3	0.4	0.7	838	36
Normal	Normal	543	Jun 1	Dec 16	403	483	0	0	0	0	130	15	+0.17	DEC 2014	4.64	DEC 2014	0.44	0.38	0.82	947	40
Stage 4, no WRF	Stage 4	489	Apr 1	Dec 16	363	435	0	0	0	0	130	15	-0.45	DEC 2014	4.26	DEC 2014	0.21	0.36	0.57	522	21
Stage 4 + WRF	Stage 4	489	Apr 1	Dec 16	363	435	15	252	165	58	130	15	+0.93	DEC 2014	4.23	DEC 2014	0.33	0.26	0.59	511	24
Stage 6 + WRF	Stage 6	435	Apr 1	Dec 16	323	386	12	214	145	44	130	15	+0.61	DEC 2014	4.18	DEC 2014	0.32	0.21	0.53	491	25
Stage 4 + WRF + Pedotti	Stage 4	489	Apr 1	Dec 16	363	435	20	336	235	59	260	15	+0.81	DEC 2014	4.06	DEC 2014	0.25	0.18	0.43	421	34
Stage 4 + Warren	Stage 4	489	Apr 1	Dec 16	363	435	0	0	0	0	130	183	-0.62	SEP 2014	3.86	AUG 2014	0.05	0.23	0.28	380	40
Stage 4 + WRF + Warren	Stage 4	489	Apr 1	Dec 16	363	435	14	241	170	43	130	183	+0.92	SEP 2014	3.82	AUG 2014	0.10	0.19	0.29	361	46

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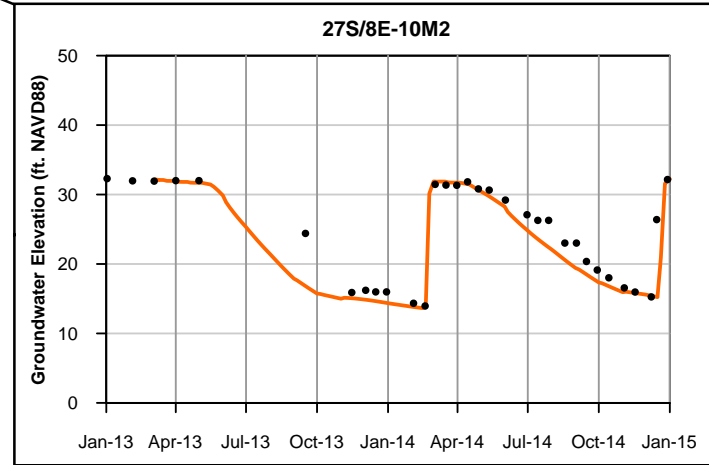
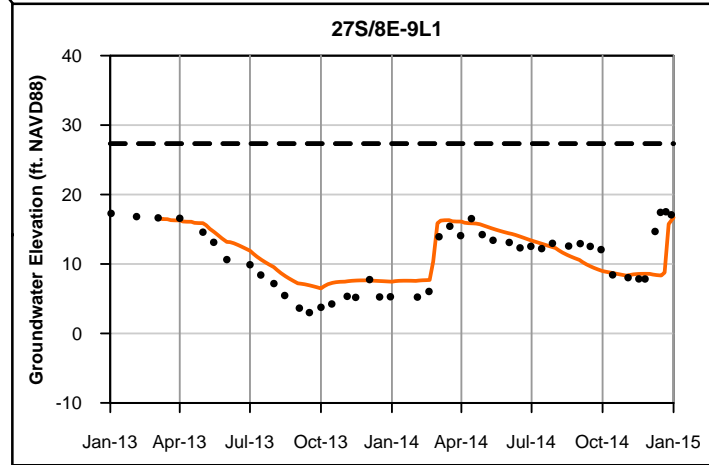
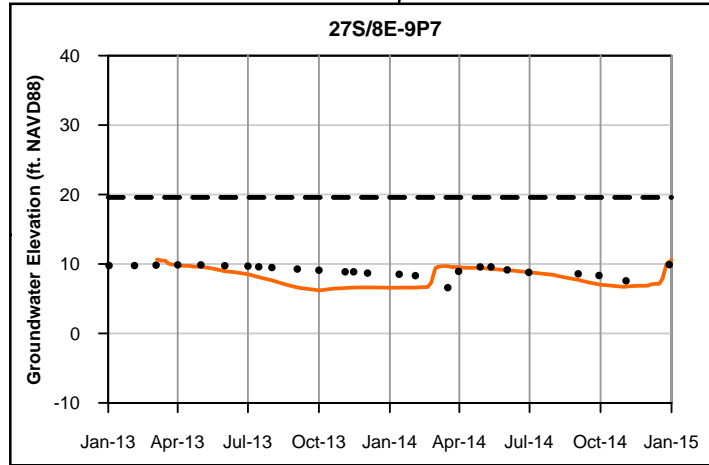
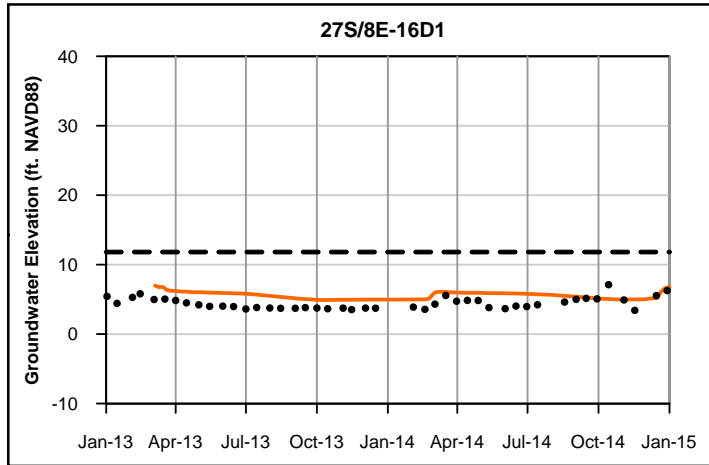
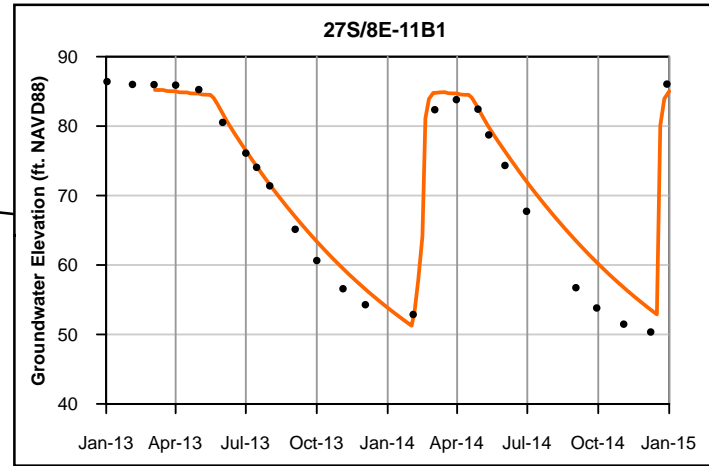
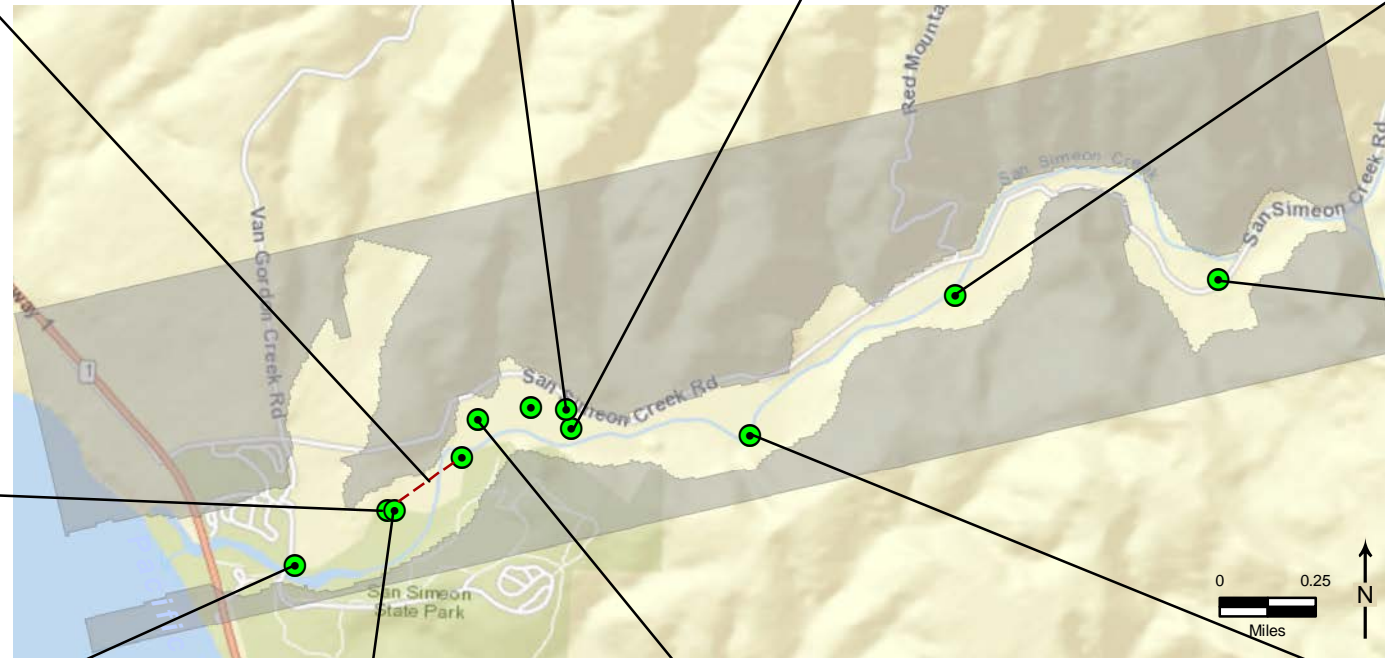
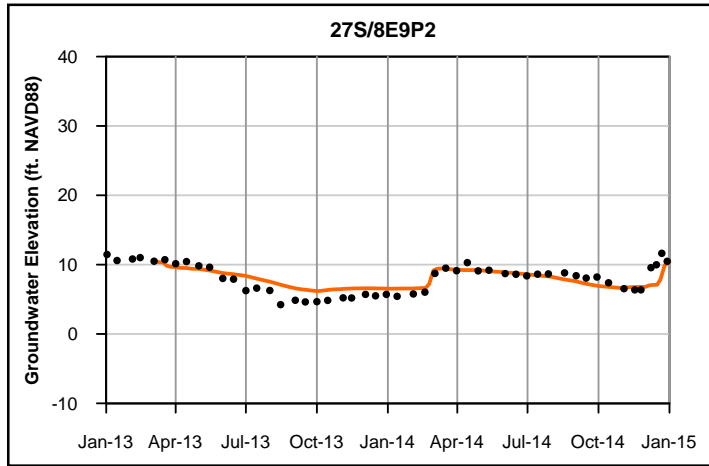
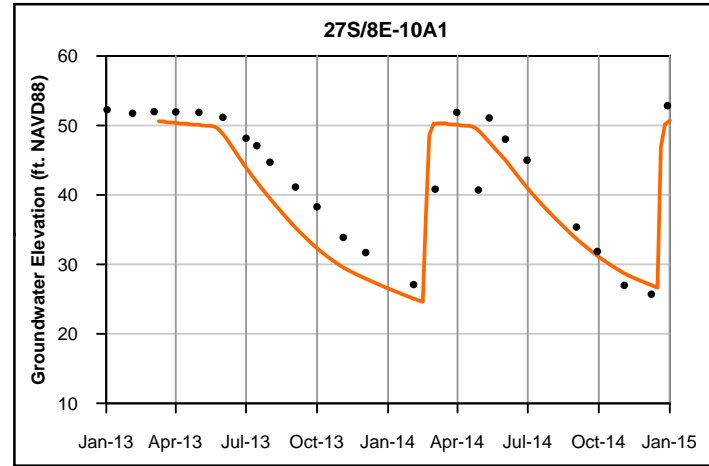
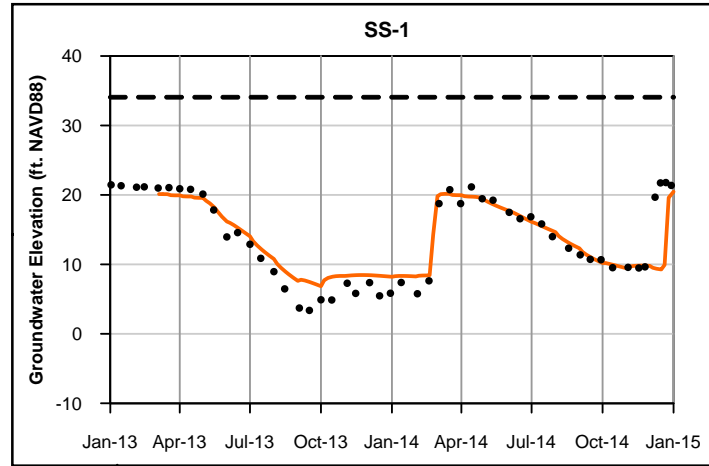
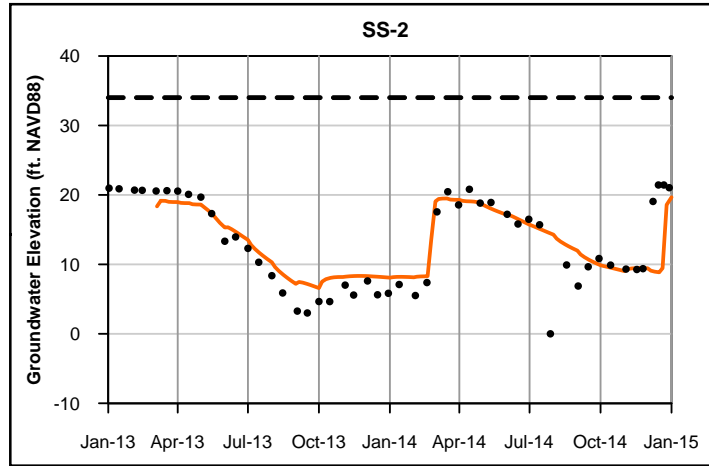
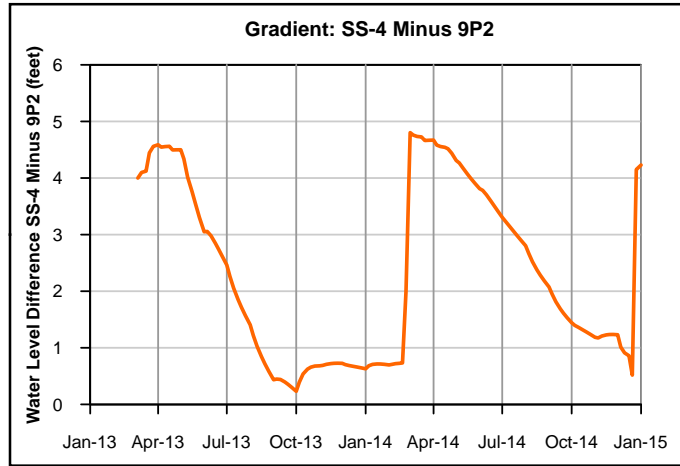
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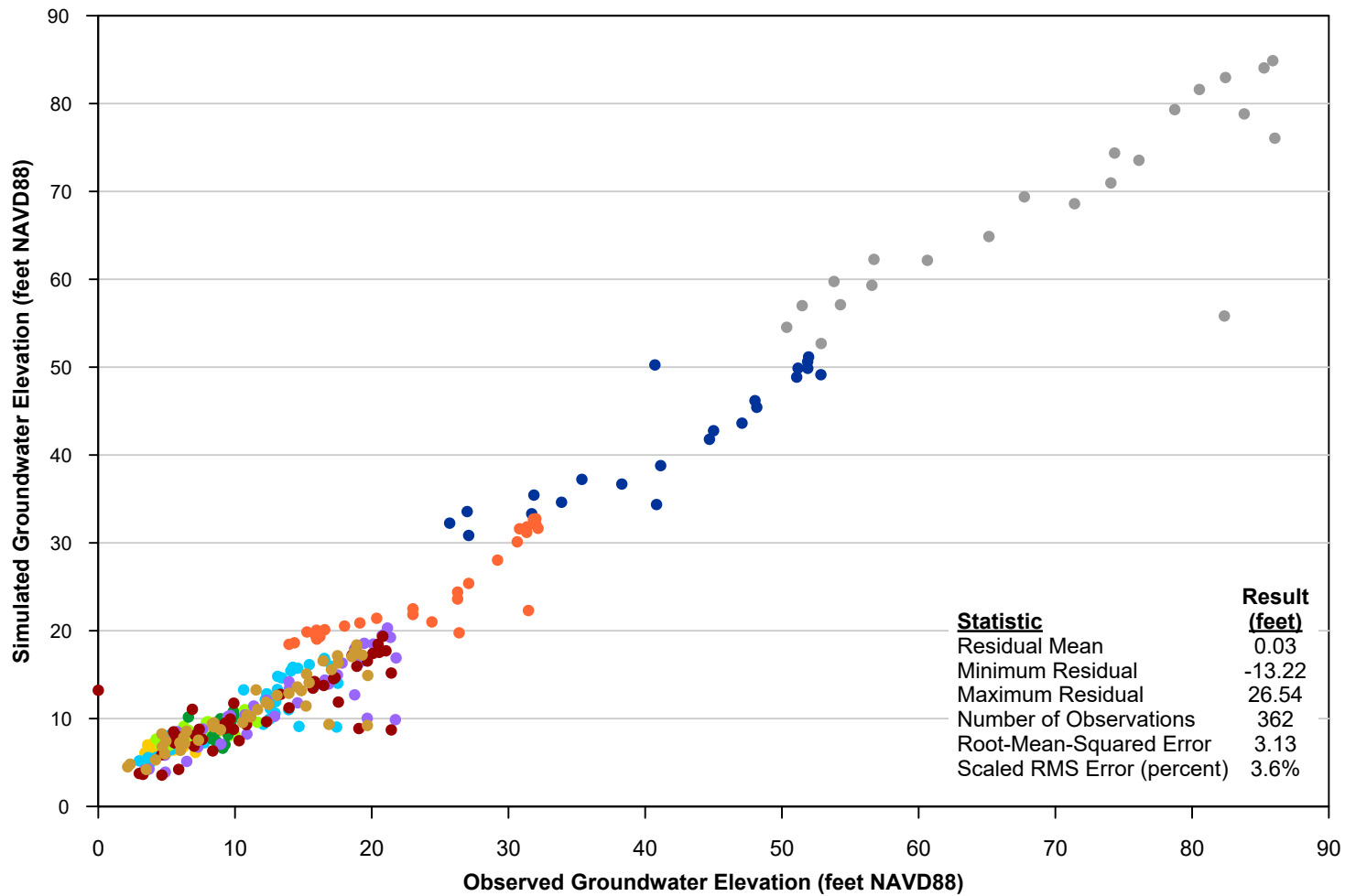


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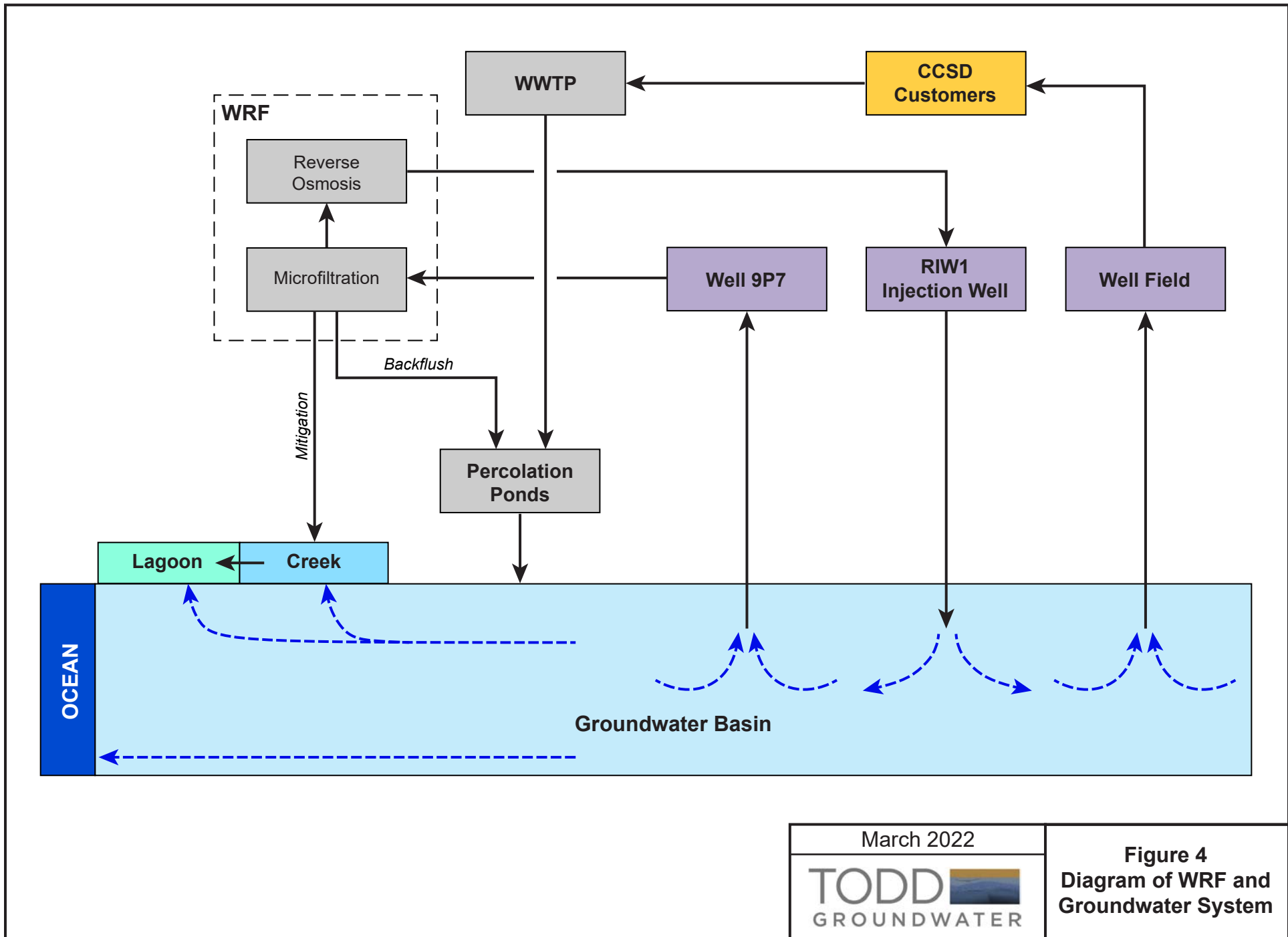
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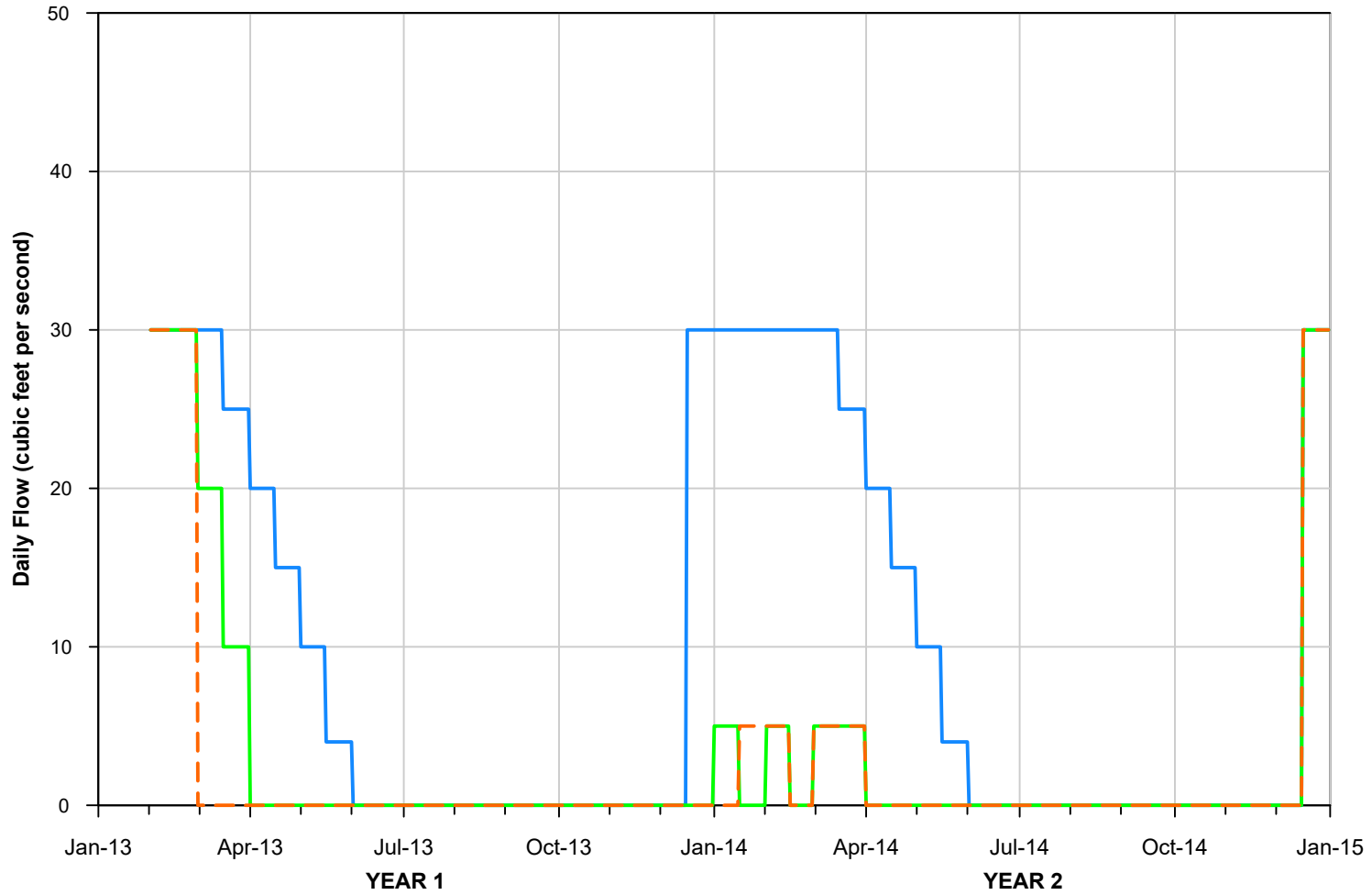


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**Figure 4**  
Diagram of WRF and Groundwater System

### San Simeon Creek at Palmer Flats



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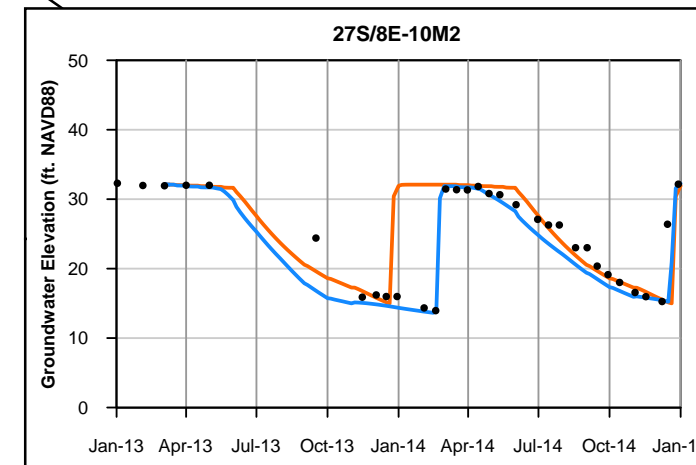
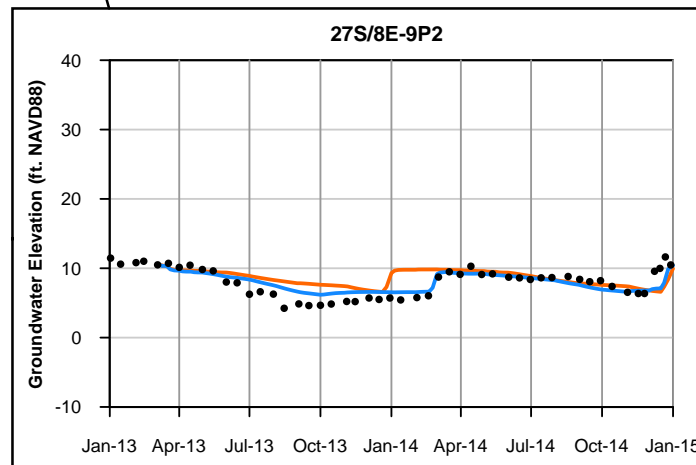
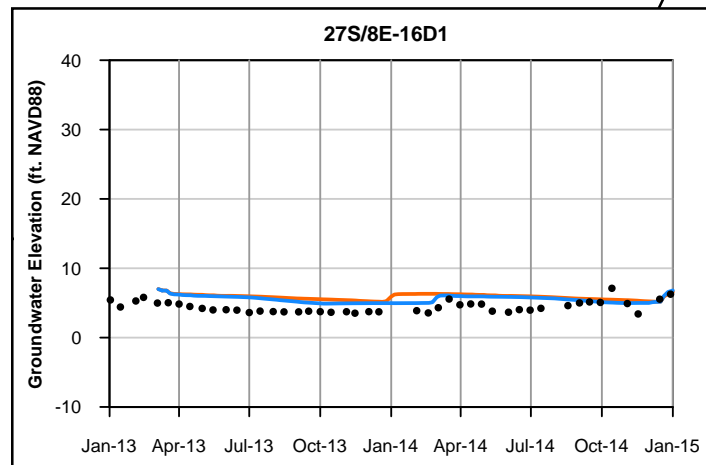
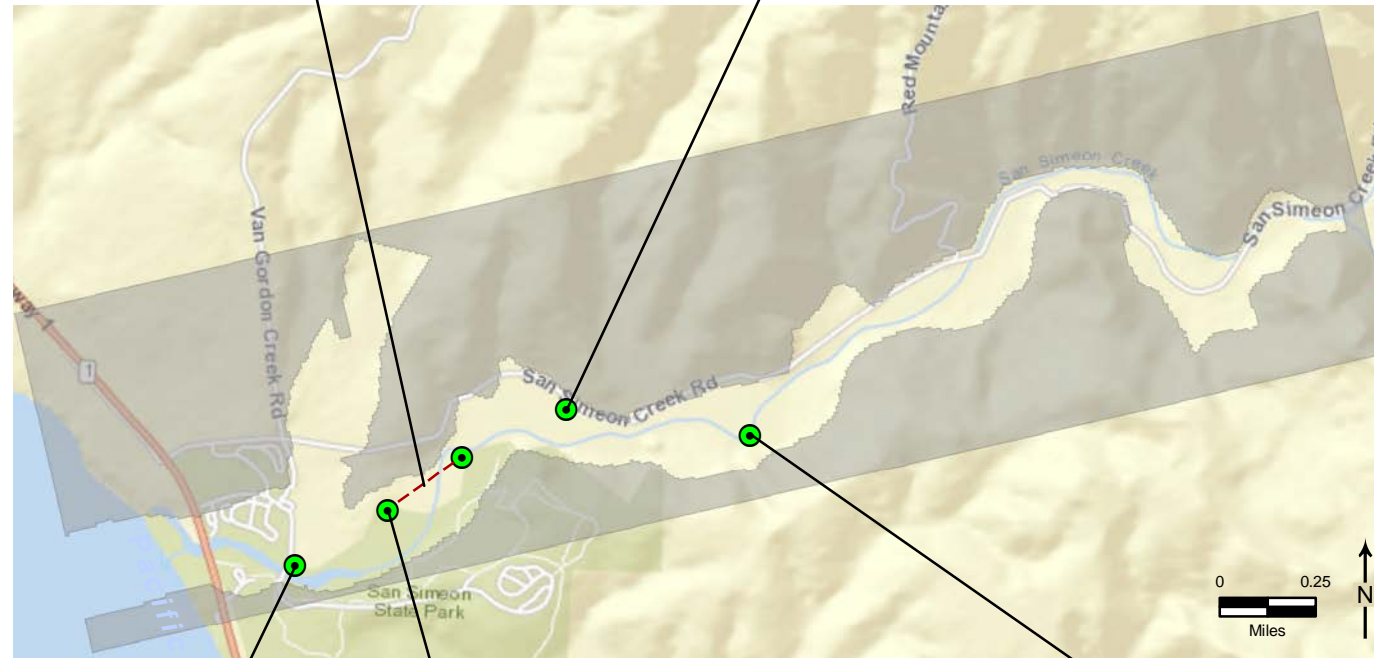
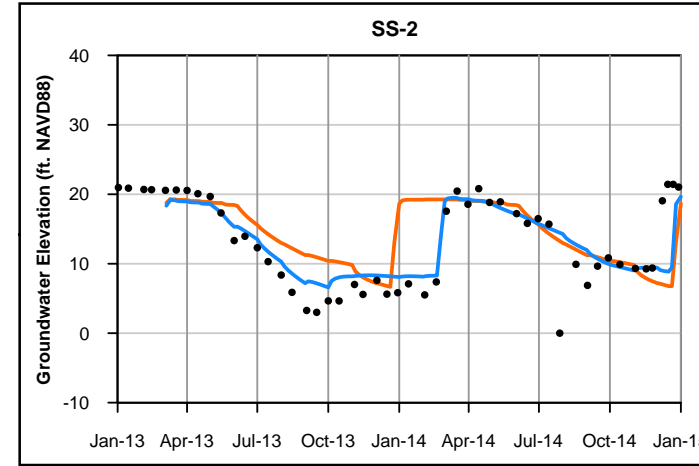
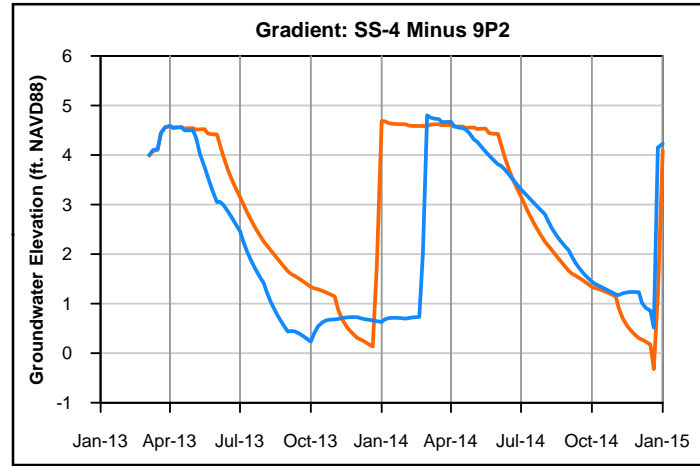
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**Figure 5**  
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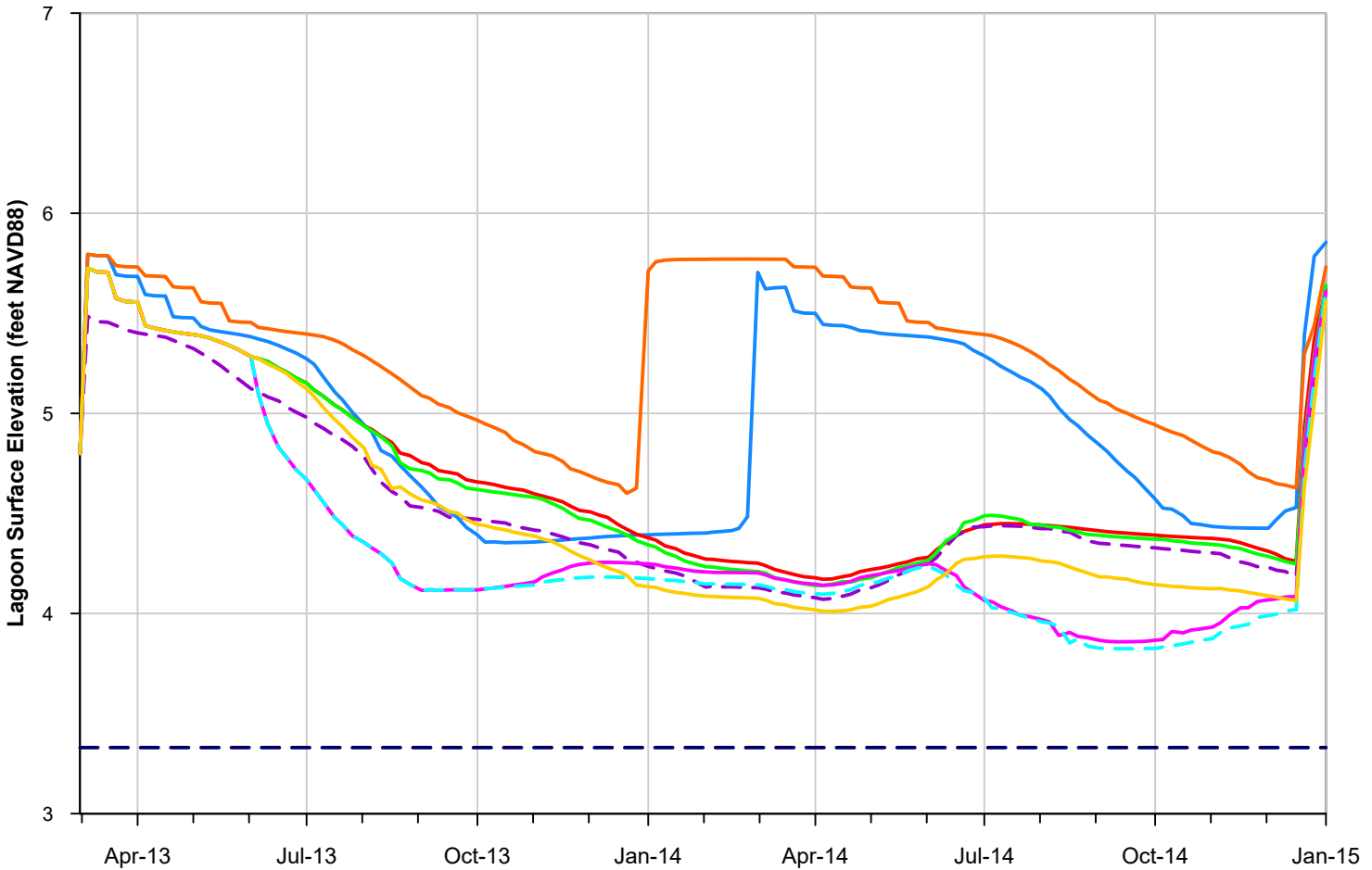
- Hydrograph Wells
- Inactive Flow Cells

- Measured 2013-2014
- Simulated 2013-2014
- Normal Year



**Figure 6**  
**Simulated Well**  
**Hydrographs - Historical**  
**and Normal Year**

### Lagoon Elevation



- 2013-2014 Historical
- Normal
- Sea Level
- Stage 4
- Stage 4 + WRF
- Stage 4 + WRF + Warren
- Stage 4 + WRF + Pedotti
- Stage 4 + WRF + Warren
- Stage 6 + WRF

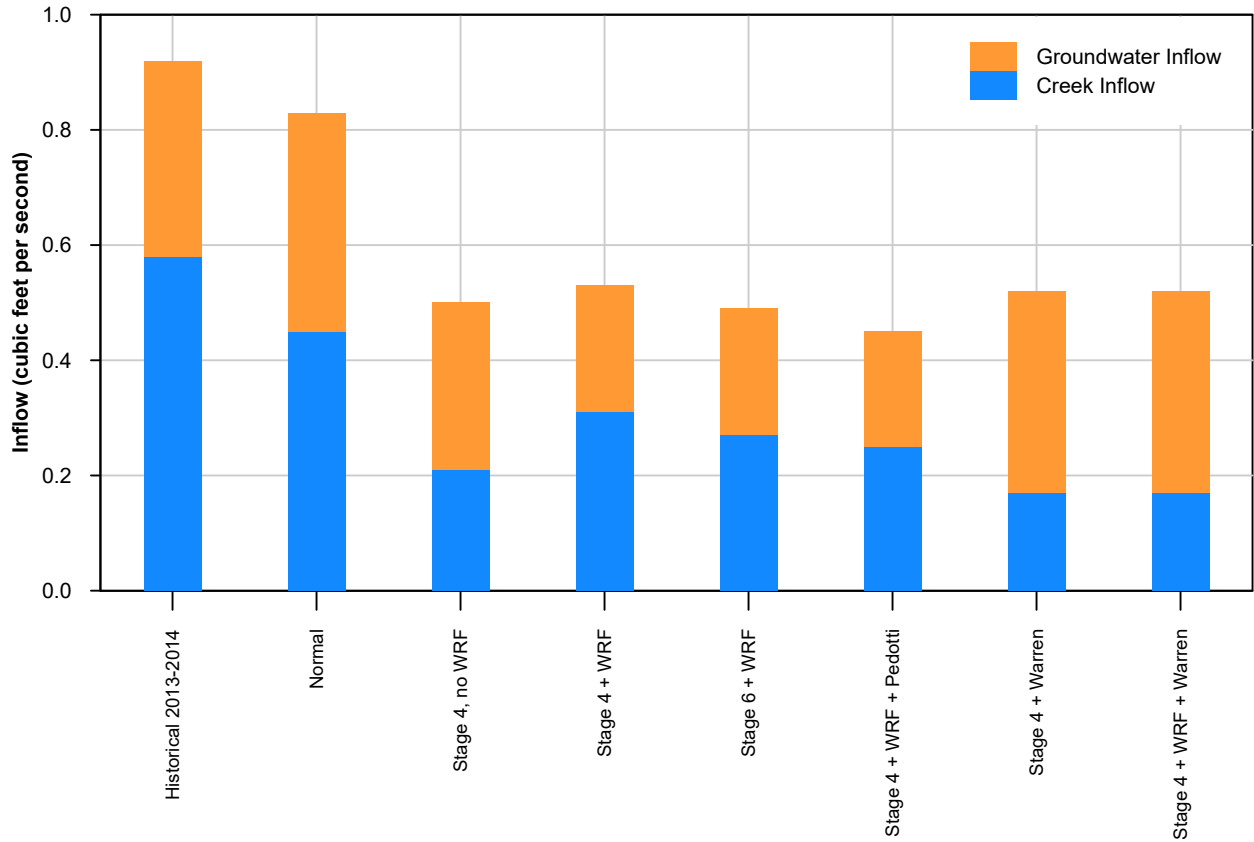
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**Simulated Lagoon**  
**Elevation**

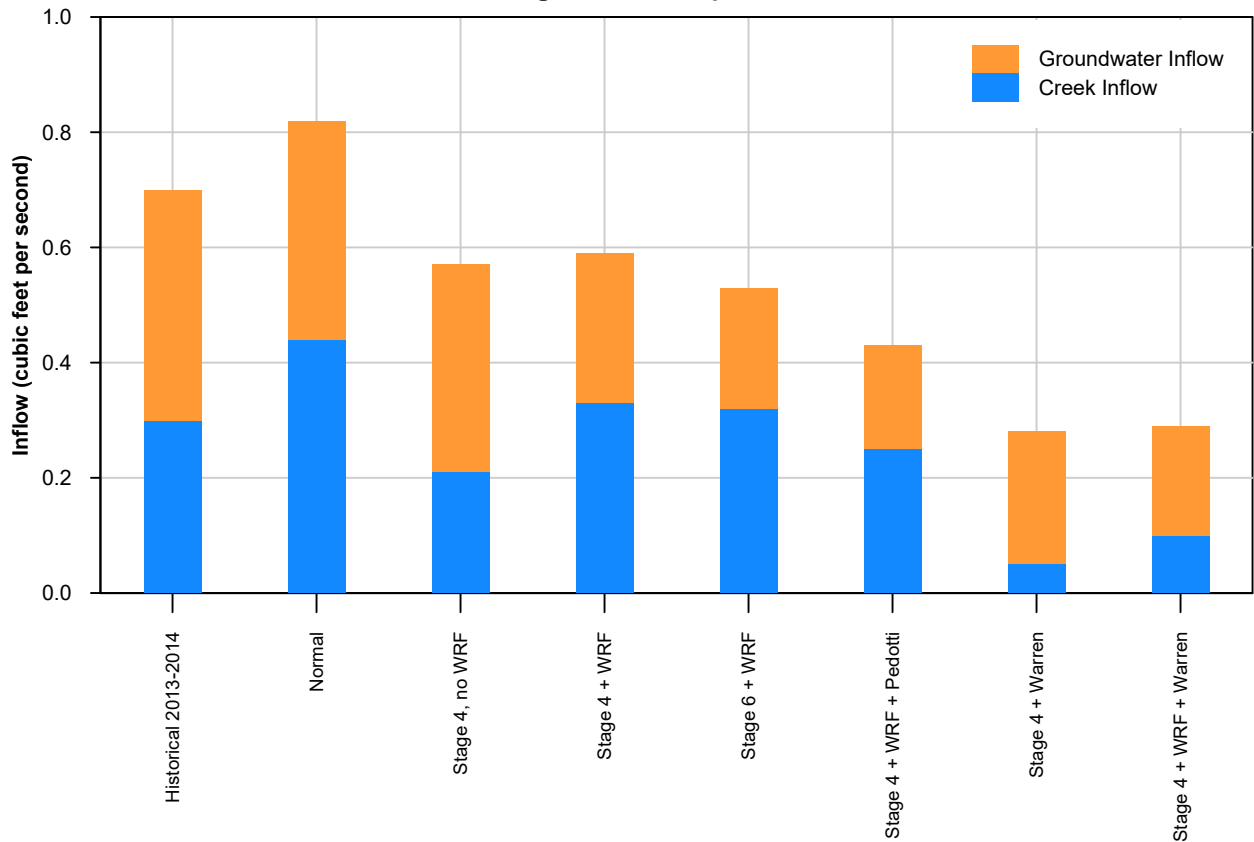
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Minimum Lagoon Inflow March Year 1 through March Year 2



Minimum Lagoon Inflow April-December Year 2



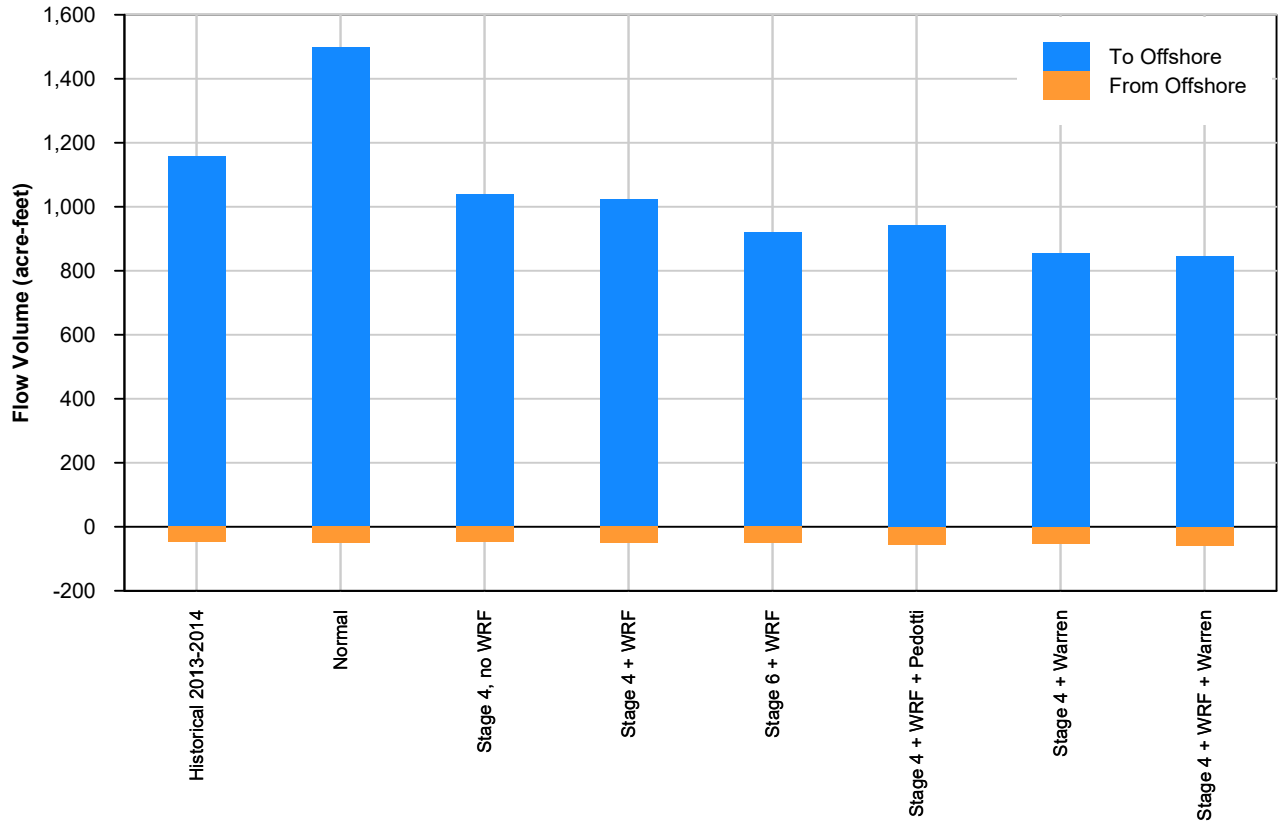
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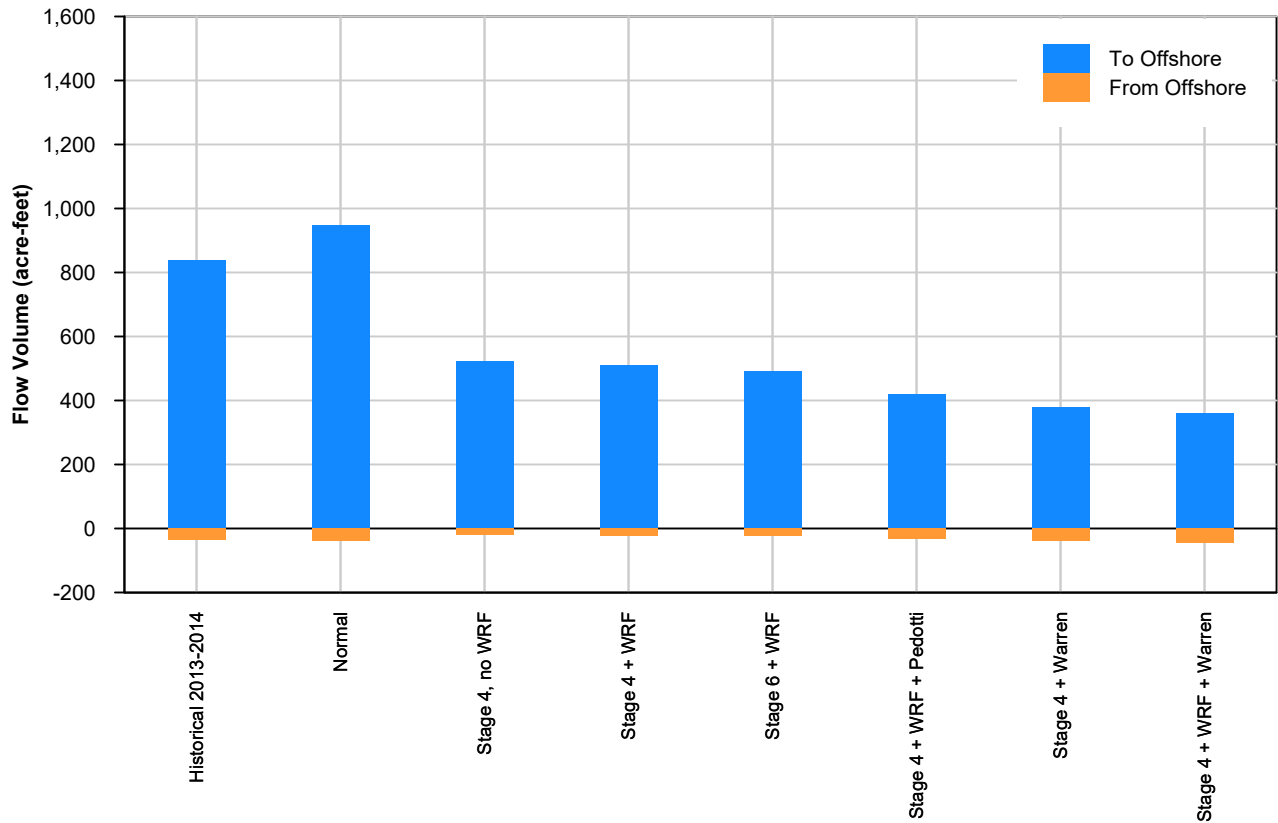
**Figure 8**  
Minimum Dry Season  
Lagoon Inflow

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**Groundwater Flow Across Coastline March Year 1 through March Year 2**



**Groundwater Flow Across Coastline April-December Year 2**

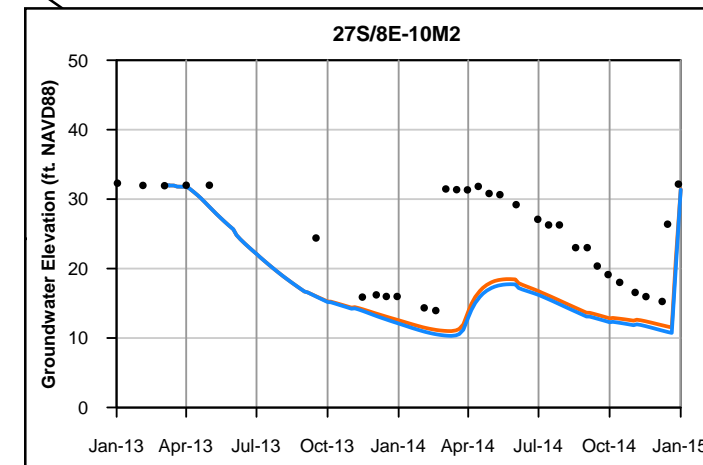
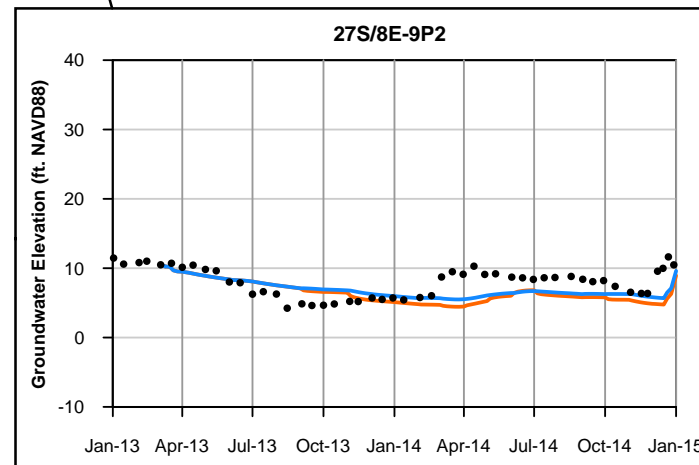
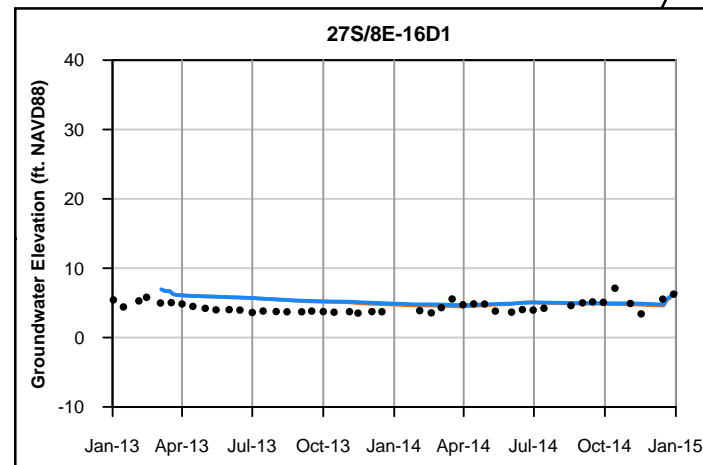
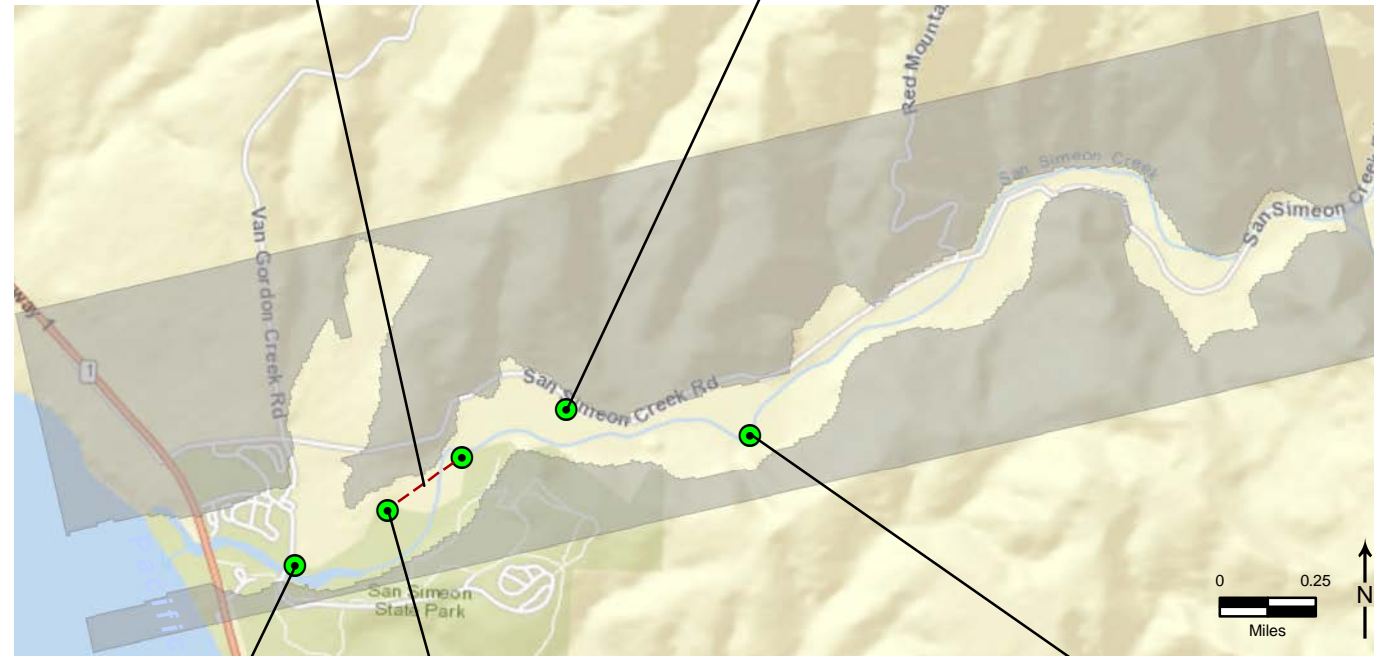
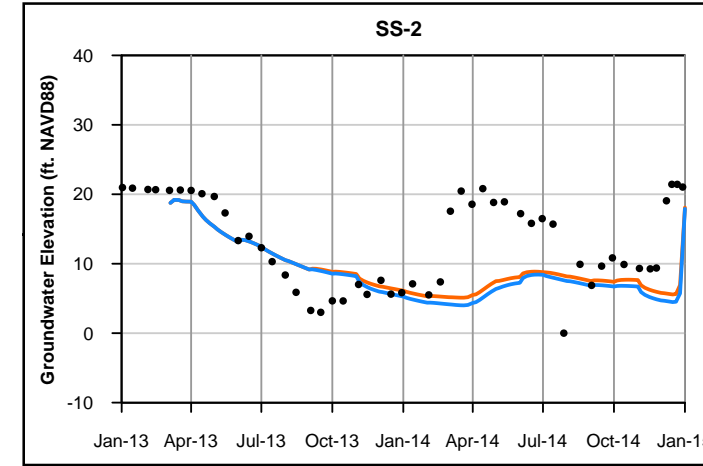
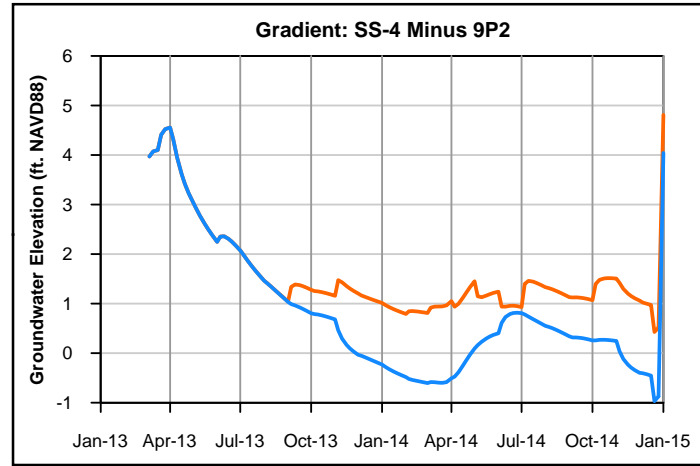


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**Figure 9**  
**Groundwater Flow**  
**Across Coastline**

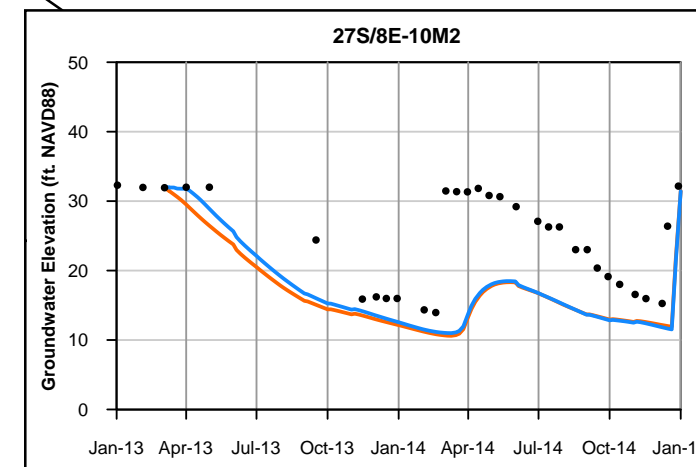
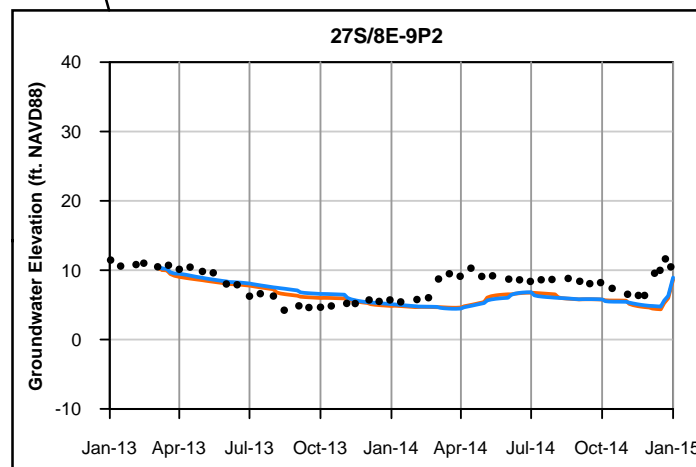
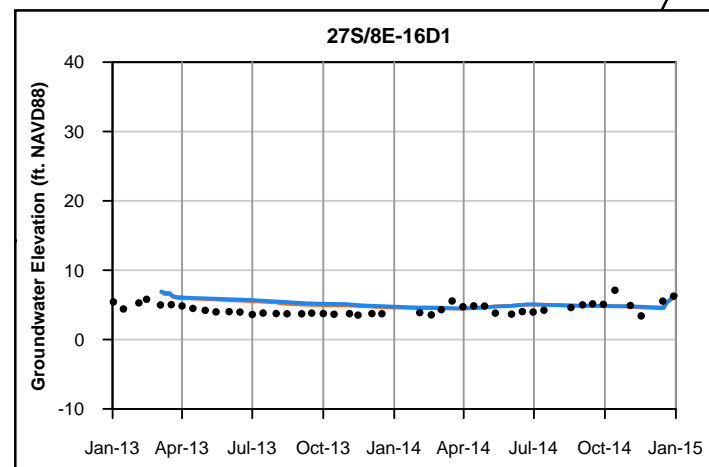
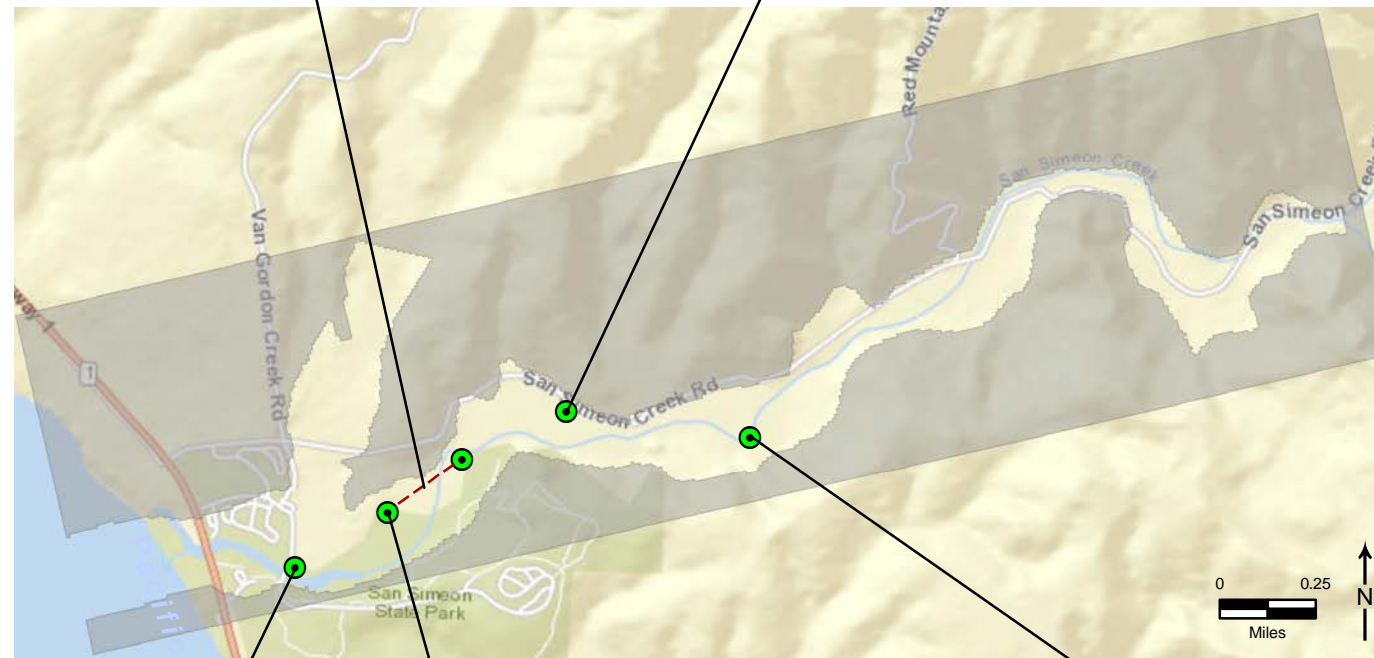
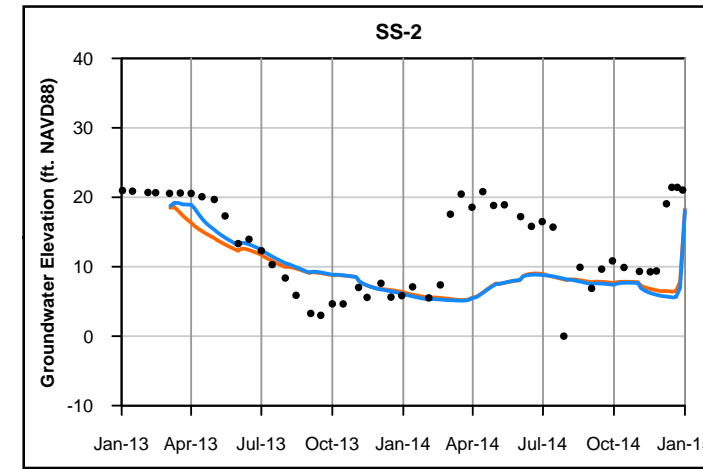
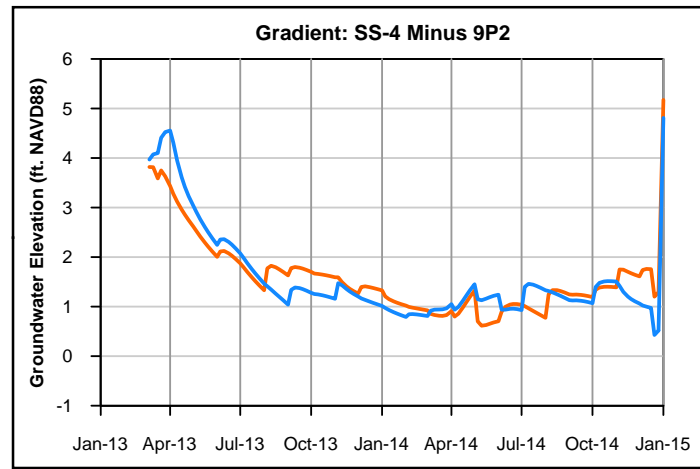


- Hydrograph Wells
- Inactive Flow Cells

- Measured 2013-2014
- Stage 4
- Stage 4 + WRF

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**Figure 10**  
**Simulated Well**  
**Hydrographs - Stage 4**  
**With and Without WRF**



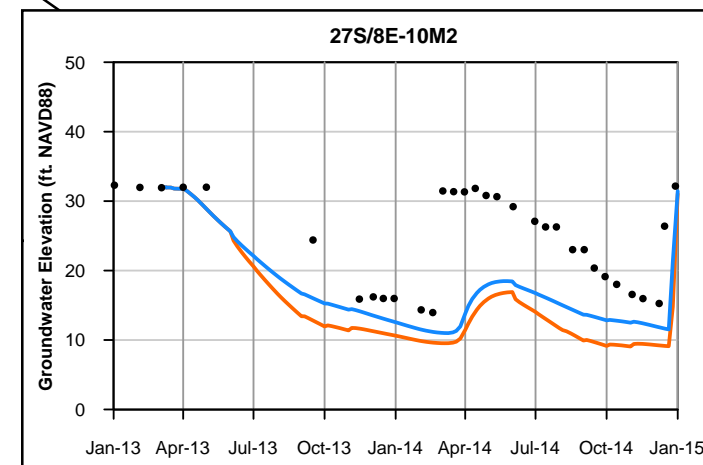
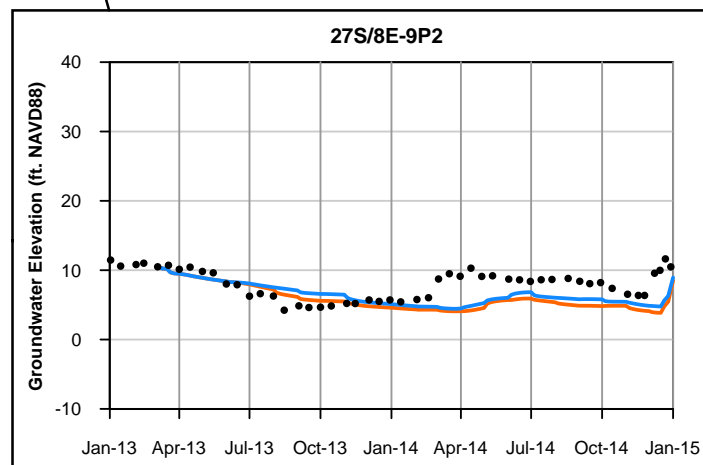
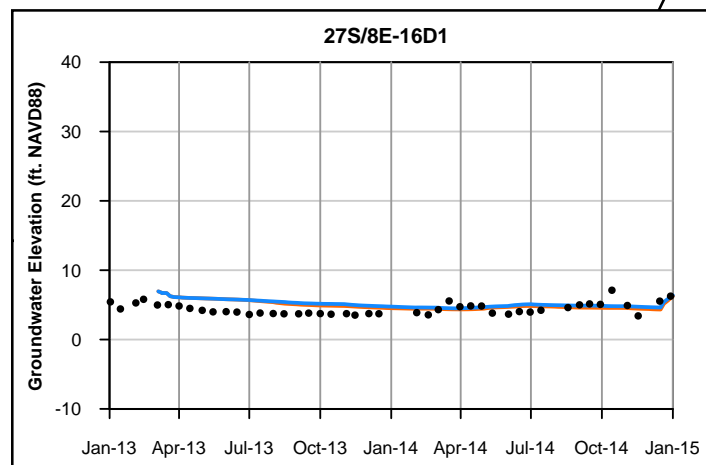
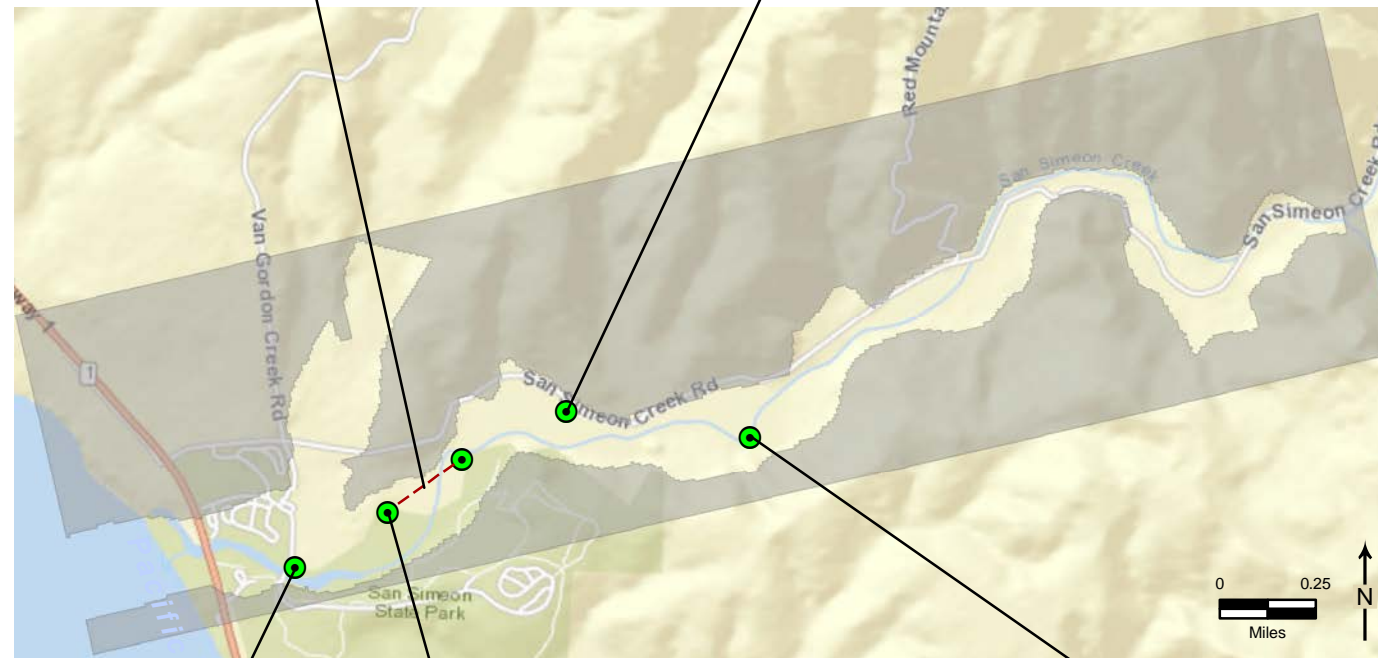
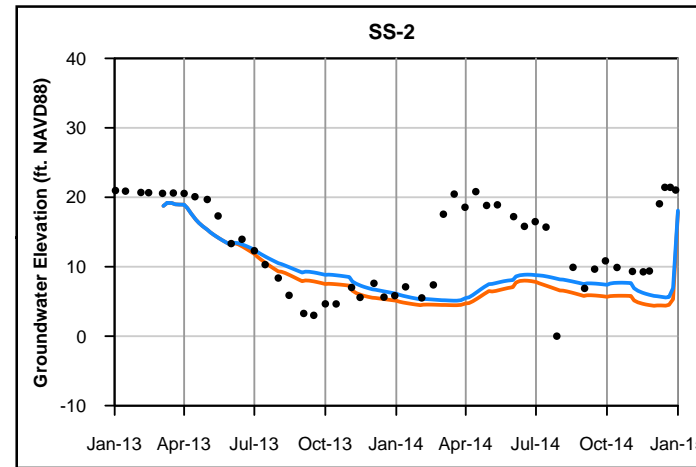
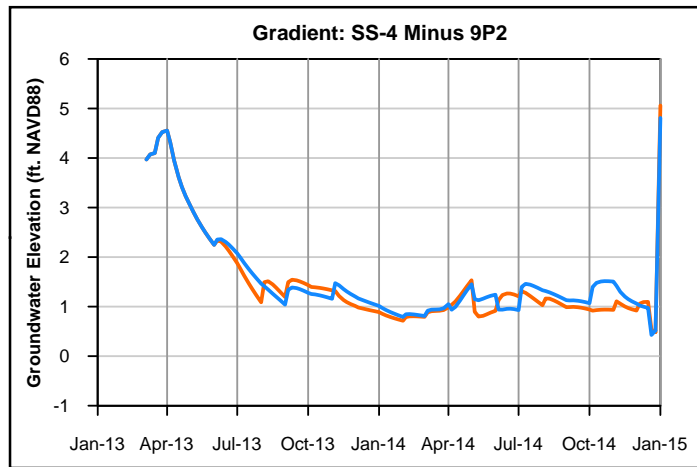
- Hydrograph Wells
- Inactive Flow Cells

- Measured 2013-2014
- Stage 4 + WRF
- Stage 6 + WRF

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**Figure 11**  
**Simulated Well**  
**Hydrographs - Stage 6**  
**and Stage 4 with WRF**





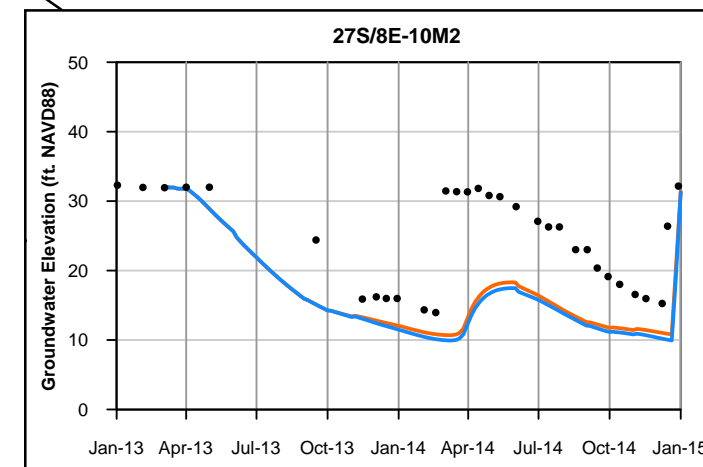
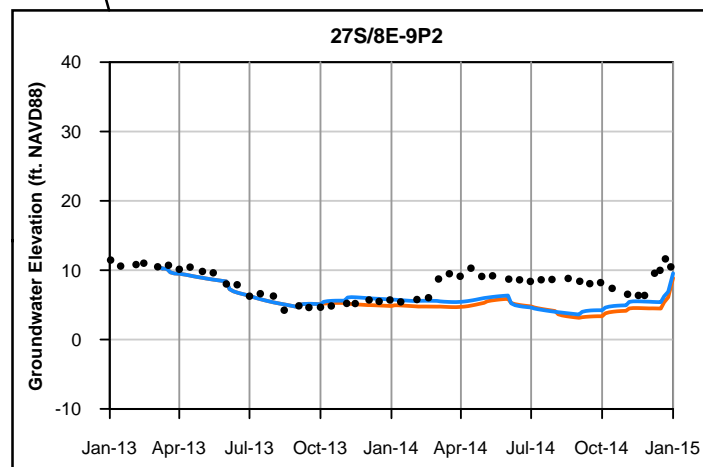
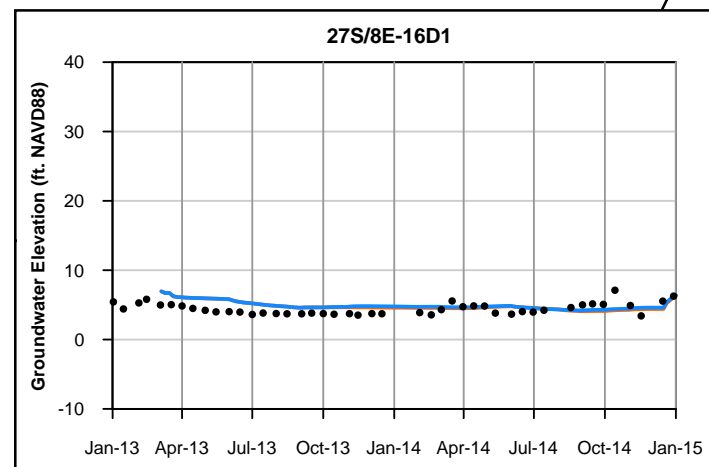
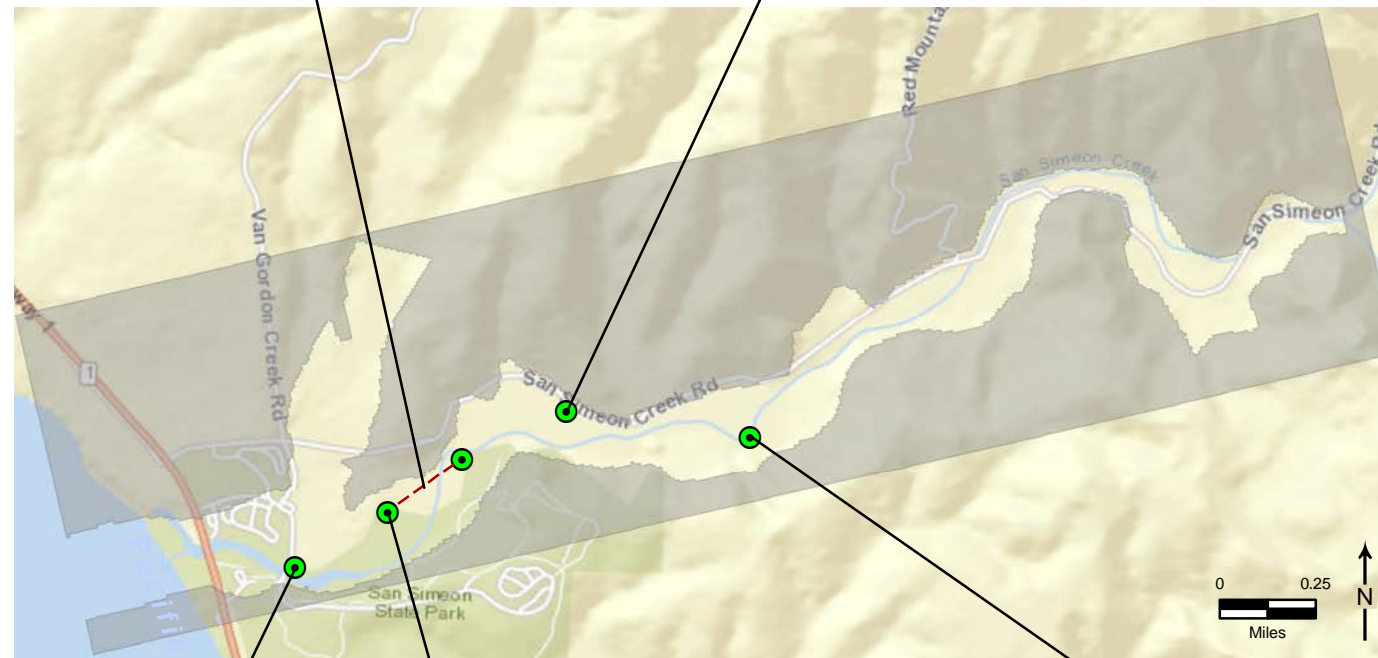
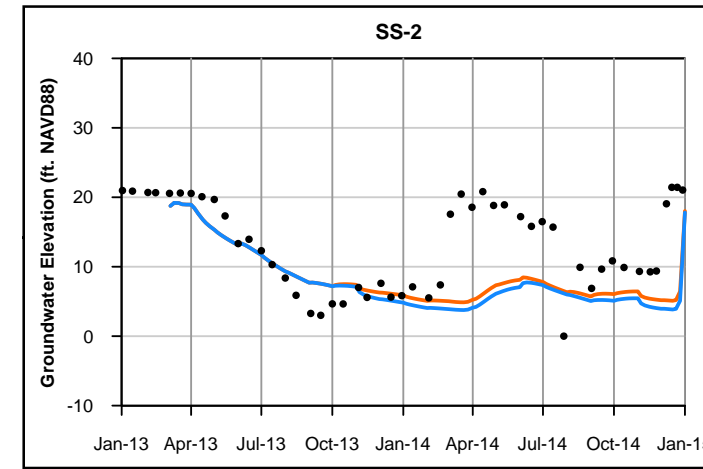
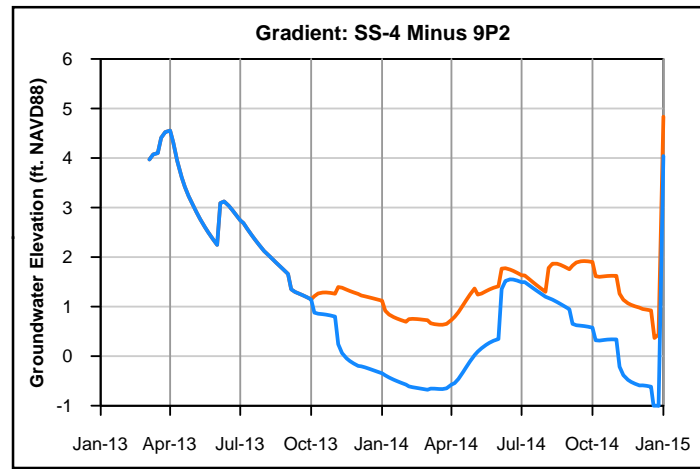
- Hydrograph Wells
- Inactive Flow Cells

- Measured 2013-2014
- Stage 4 + WRF
- Stage 4 + WRF + Pedotti

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**Figure 12**  
Simulated Well  
Hydrographs - Stage 4 with  
Increased Pedotti Pumping



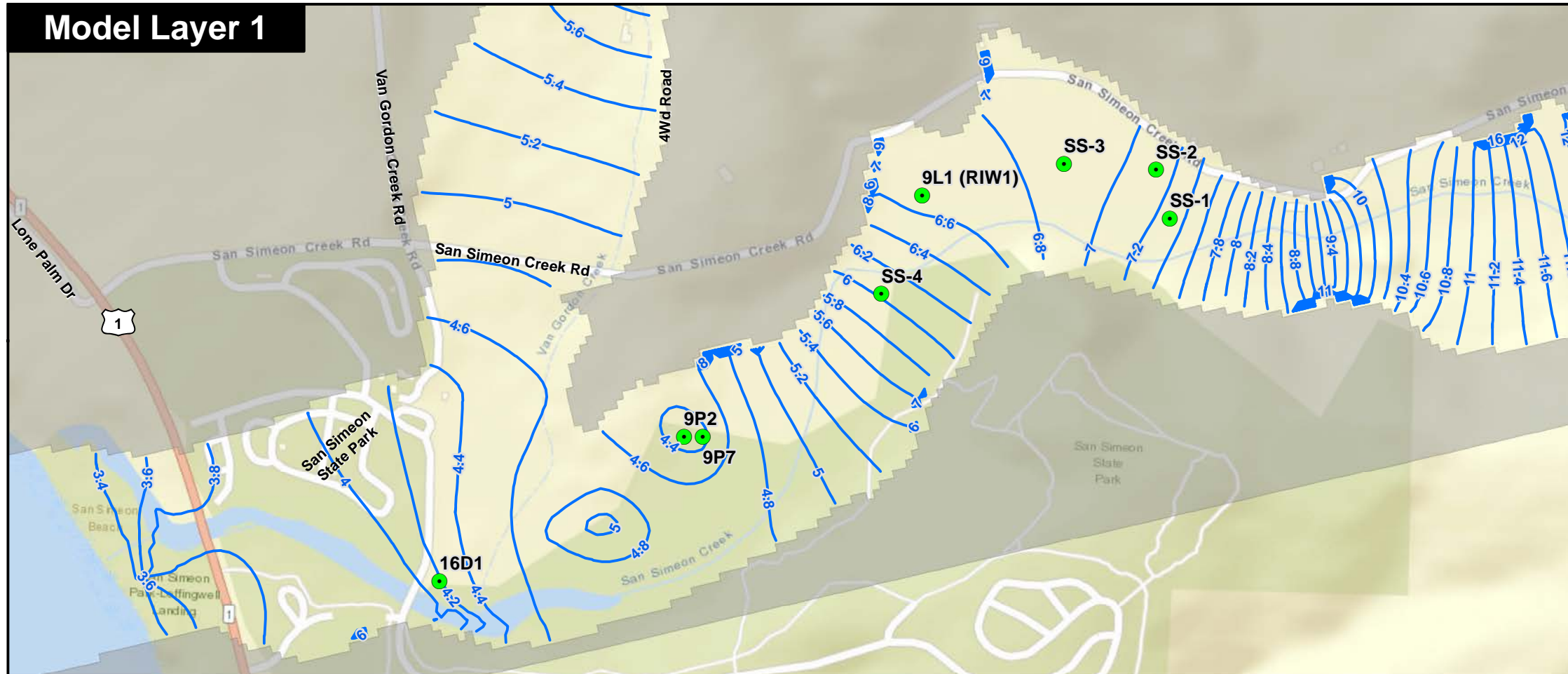
- Hydrograph Wells
- Inactive Flow Cells

- Measured 2013-2014
- Stage 4 + Warren
- Stage 4 + WRF + Warren

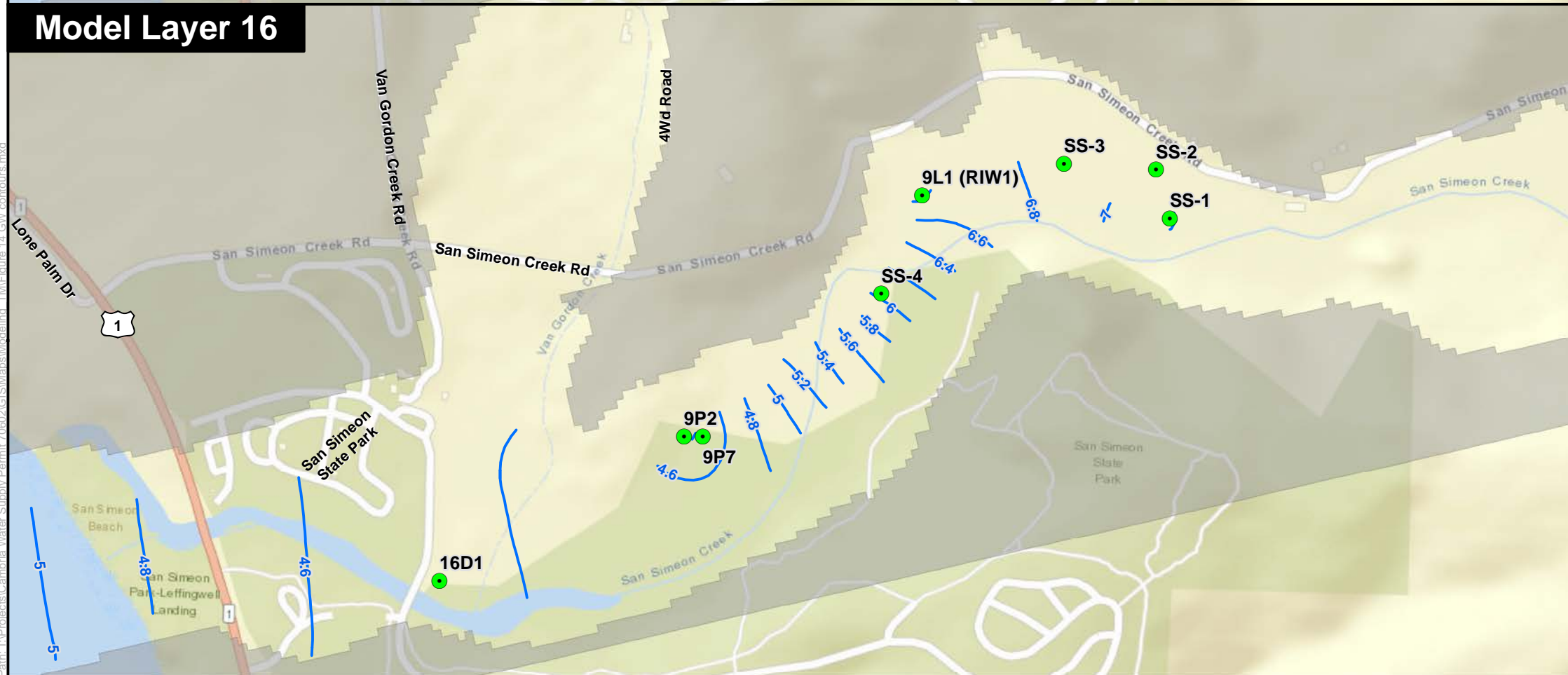


**Figure 13**  
**Simulated Well**  
**Hydrographs - Stage 4 with**  
**Increased Warren Pumping**

### Model Layer 1

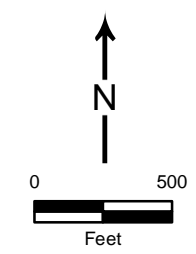


### Model Layer 16



**Scenario: Stage 4 + WRF + Warren  
November of Year 2**

- Hydrograph Wells
- Groundwater Elevation (feet NAVD88)
- Inactive Flow Cells



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**Figure 14**  
 Simulated Groundwater  
 Elevations in Shallow  
 and Deep Layers

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**Appendix C**  
**Habitat Suitability Criteria**

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Table C-1. Habitat suitability criteria for steelhead fry (&lt;6 cm) developed for the Big Sur River (Holmes et al. 2014).

Depth (ft)	Suitability	Velocity (ft/s)	Suitability	Depth (ft)	Suitability	Velocity (ft/s)	Suitability
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.89	1.48	0.31	1.41	0.17
0.04	0.00	0.04	0.92	1.52	0.30	1.44	0.15
0.08	0.69	0.07	0.95	1.56	0.28	1.48	0.14
0.11	0.74	0.11	0.97	1.60	0.26	1.52	0.13
0.15	0.78	0.14	0.99	1.63	0.24	1.55	0.12
0.19	0.83	0.18	1.00	1.67	0.23	1.59	0.11
0.23	0.86	0.22	1.00	1.71	0.21	1.62	0.10
0.27	0.90	0.25	1.00	1.75	0.20	1.66	0.09
0.30	0.93	0.29	0.99	1.79	0.18	1.70	0.09
0.34	0.95	0.32	0.98	1.82	0.17	1.73	0.08
0.38	0.97	0.36	0.96	1.86	0.16	1.77	0.07
0.42	0.99	0.40	0.94	1.90	0.15	1.80	0.07
0.46	1.00	0.43	0.91	1.94	0.14	1.84	0.06
0.49	1.00	0.47	0.88	1.98	0.13	1.88	0.05
0.53	1.00	0.51	0.85	2.01	0.12	1.91	0.05
0.57	0.99	0.54	0.82	2.05	0.11	1.95	0.05
0.61	0.98	0.58	0.78	2.09	0.10	1.99	0.04
0.65	0.96	0.61	0.74	2.13	0.09	2.02	0.04
0.68	0.94	0.65	0.71	2.17	0.09	2.06	0.03
0.72	0.91	0.69	0.67	2.20	0.08	2.09	0.03
0.76	0.88	0.72	0.63	2.24	0.07	2.13	0.03
0.80	0.85	0.76	0.60	2.28	0.07	2.17	0.02
0.84	0.82	0.79	0.56	2.32	0.06	2.20	0.02
0.87	0.79	0.83	0.52	2.36	0.06	2.24	0.02
0.91	0.75	0.87	0.49	2.39	0.05	2.27	0.02
0.95	0.72	0.90	0.46	2.43	0.05	2.31	0.02
0.99	0.68	0.94	0.43	2.47	0.04	2.35	0.01
1.03	0.65	0.97	0.40	2.51	0.04	2.38	0.01
1.06	0.61	1.01	0.37	2.55	0.04	2.42	0.01
1.10	0.58	1.05	0.35	2.58	0.03	2.45	0.01
1.14	0.55	1.08	0.32	2.62	0.03	2.49	0.01
1.18	0.51	1.12	0.30	2.66	0.03	2.53	0.01
1.22	0.49	1.16	0.28	2.70	0.03	2.56	0.01
1.25	0.46	1.19	0.26	2.74	0.02	2.60	0.01
1.29	0.43	1.23	0.24	2.77	0.02	2.64	0.01
1.33	0.40	1.26	0.22	2.81	0.02	2.67	0.01
1.37	0.38	1.30	0.21	2.85	0.02	2.71	0.00
1.41	0.36	1.34	0.19	2.89	0.02	2.74	0.00
1.44	0.34	1.37	0.18	2.93	0.02	2.78	0.00

<b>Depth (ft)</b>	<b>Suitability</b>	<b>Velocity (ft/s)</b>	<b>Suitability</b>
2.96	0.02	2.82	0.00
3.00	0.01	2.85	0.00
3.04	0.01	2.89	0.00
3.08	0.01	2.92	0.00
3.12	0.01	2.96	0.00
3.15	0.01	3.00	0.00
3.19	0.01	3.03	0.00
3.23	0.01	3.07	0.00
3.27	0.01	3.10	0.00
3.31	0.01	3.14	0.00
3.34	0.01	3.18	0.00
3.38	0.01	3.21	0.00
3.42	0.01	3.25	0.00
3.46	0.01	3.29	0.00
3.50	0.01	3.32	0.00
3.53	0.01	3.36	0.00
3.57	0.01	3.39	0.00
3.61	0.01	3.43	0.00
3.65	0.01	3.47	0.00
3.69	0.01	3.50	0.00
3.72	0.01	3.54	0.00
3.76	0.01	3.57	0.00
3.80	0.01	3.61	0.00
3.81	0.00		

Table C-2. Habitat suitability criteria for steelhead juveniles (6-9 cm and 10-15 cm) developed for the Big Sur River (Holmes et al. 2014).

Steelhead Juvenile 6–9 cm				Steelhead Juvenile 10–15 cm			
Depth (ft)	Suitability	Velocity (ft/s)	Suitability	Depth (ft)	Suitability	Velocity (ft/s)	Suitability
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.48
0.05	0.00	0.05	0.53	0.05	0.00	0.05	0.53
0.10	0.00	0.11	0.57	0.10	0.00	0.11	0.57
0.14	0.00	0.16	0.61	0.15	0.00	0.16	0.61
0.19	0.00	0.21	0.65	0.20	0.00	0.21	0.65
0.24	0.00	0.27	0.70	0.24	0.00	0.27	0.70
0.29	0.00	0.32	0.74	0.29	0.00	0.32	0.74
0.33	0.38	0.38	0.77	0.34	0.00	0.38	0.77
0.38	0.43	0.43	0.81	0.39	0.00	0.43	0.81
0.43	0.47	0.48	0.84	0.44	0.00	0.48	0.84
0.47	0.52	0.54	0.88	0.49	0.00	0.54	0.88
0.52	0.56	0.59	0.90	0.54	0.00	0.59	0.90
0.57	0.61	0.64	0.93	0.59	0.40	0.64	0.93
0.62	0.65	0.70	0.95	0.62	0.46	0.70	0.95
0.67	0.70	0.75	0.97	0.67	0.51	0.75	0.97
0.71	0.74	0.80	0.98	0.71	0.55	0.80	0.98
0.76	0.78	0.86	0.99	0.76	0.60	0.86	0.99
0.81	0.82	0.91	1.00	0.81	0.64	0.91	1.00
0.85	0.86	0.96	1.00	0.85	0.68	0.96	1.00
0.90	0.89	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.73	1.00	1.00
0.95	0.92	1.05	1.00	0.95	0.77	1.05	1.00
1.00	0.94	1.10	1.00	1.00	0.80	1.10	1.00
1.04	0.96	1.15	1.00	1.04	0.84	1.15	1.00
1.09	0.98	1.21	1.00	1.09	0.87	1.21	1.00
1.14	0.99	1.26	1.00	1.14	0.90	1.26	1.00
1.19	1.00	1.31	1.00	1.19	0.93	1.31	1.00
1.24	1.00	1.36	1.00	1.24	0.95	1.36	1.00
1.25	1.00	1.41	1.00	1.28	0.97	1.41	1.00
1.29	1.00	1.47	1.00	1.33	0.98	1.47	1.00
1.33	1.00	1.52	0.99	1.38	0.99	1.52	0.99
1.38	1.00	1.57	0.98	1.43	1.00	1.57	0.98
1.42	1.00	1.62	0.97	1.47	1.00	1.62	0.97
1.46	1.00	1.68	0.95	1.52	1.00	1.68	0.95
1.50	1.00	1.73	0.94	1.57	1.00	1.73	0.94
1.55	0.99	1.78	0.92	1.62	1.00	1.78	0.92
1.59	0.99	1.83	0.89	1.67	1.00	1.83	0.89
1.63	0.98	1.89	0.87	1.72	0.99	1.89	0.87
1.68	0.96	1.94	0.84	1.76	0.98	1.94	0.84

Steelhead Juvenile 6–9 cm				Steelhead Juvenile 10–15 cm			
Depth (ft)	Suitability	Velocity (ft/s)	Suitability	Depth (ft)	Suitability	Velocity (ft/s)	Suitability
1.72	0.94	1.99	0.81	1.81	0.97	1.99	0.81
1.76	0.92	2.04	0.78	1.86	0.95	2.04	0.78
1.81	0.90	2.10	0.74	1.91	0.93	2.10	0.74
1.85	0.88	2.15	0.71	1.96	0.91	2.15	0.71
1.89	0.85	2.20	0.68	2.01	0.89	2.20	0.68
1.93	0.82	2.25	0.64	2.06	0.86	2.25	0.64
1.98	0.79	2.31	0.61	2.11	0.83	2.31	0.61
2.02	0.76	2.36	0.57	2.16	0.80	2.36	0.57
2.06	0.72	2.41	0.54	2.21	0.77	2.41	0.54
2.11	0.69	2.46	0.50	2.25	0.74	2.46	0.50
2.15	0.66	2.52	0.47	2.30	0.71	2.52	0.47
2.19	0.63	2.57	0.44	2.35	0.68	2.57	0.44
2.24	0.60	2.62	0.41	2.40	0.65	2.62	0.41
2.28	0.57	2.67	0.38	2.45	0.62	2.67	0.38
2.32	0.54	2.72	0.35	2.50	0.58	2.72	0.35
2.36	0.51	2.78	0.32	2.55	0.55	2.78	0.32
2.41	0.48	2.83	0.30	2.60	0.52	2.83	0.30
2.45	0.46	2.88	0.27	2.65	0.50	2.88	0.27
2.49	0.43	2.93	0.25	2.70	0.47	2.93	0.25
2.54	0.41	2.99	0.23	2.74	0.44	2.99	0.23
2.58	0.39	3.04	0.21	2.79	0.42	3.04	0.21
2.62	0.37	3.09	0.19	2.84	0.39	3.09	0.19
2.67	0.36	3.14	0.17	2.89	0.37	3.14	0.17
2.71	0.34	3.20	0.16	2.94	0.35	3.20	0.16
2.75	0.33	3.25	0.14	2.99	0.33	3.25	0.14
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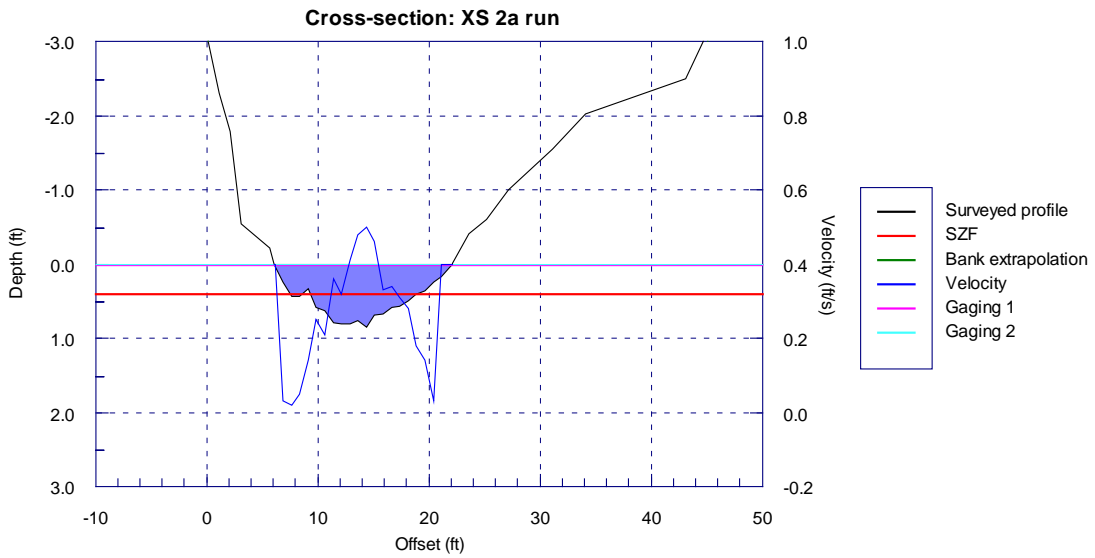
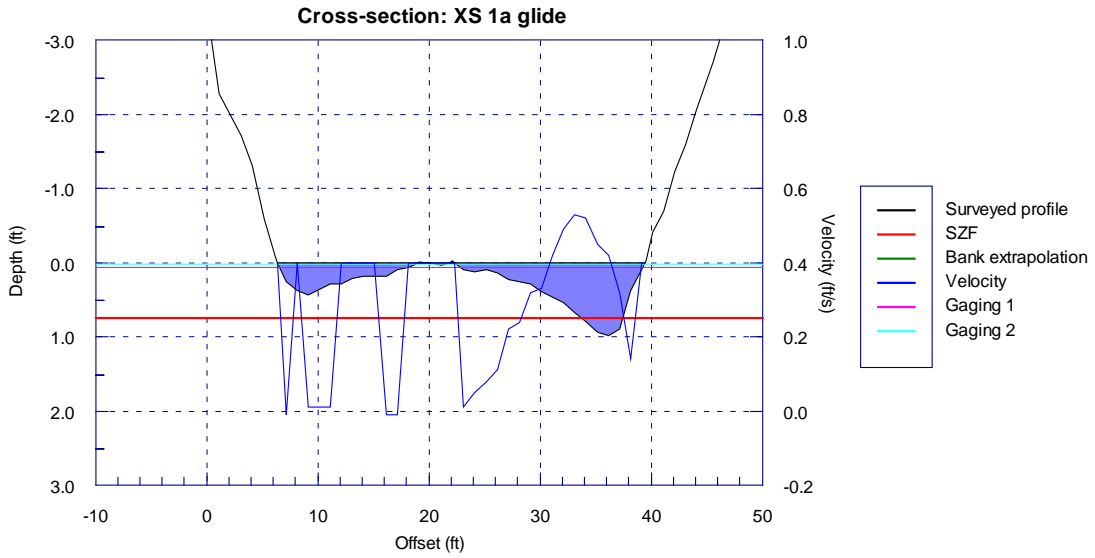
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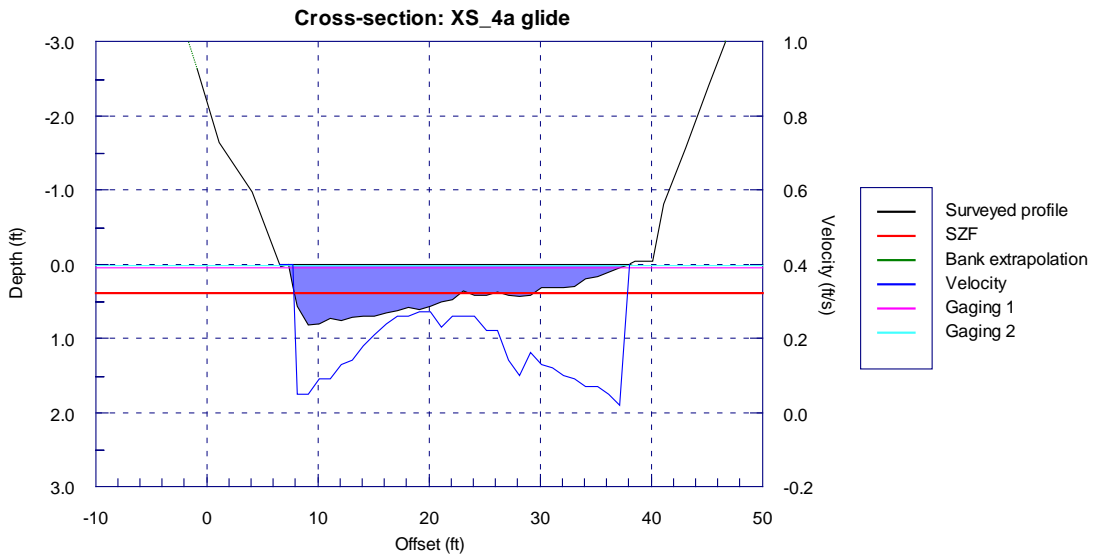
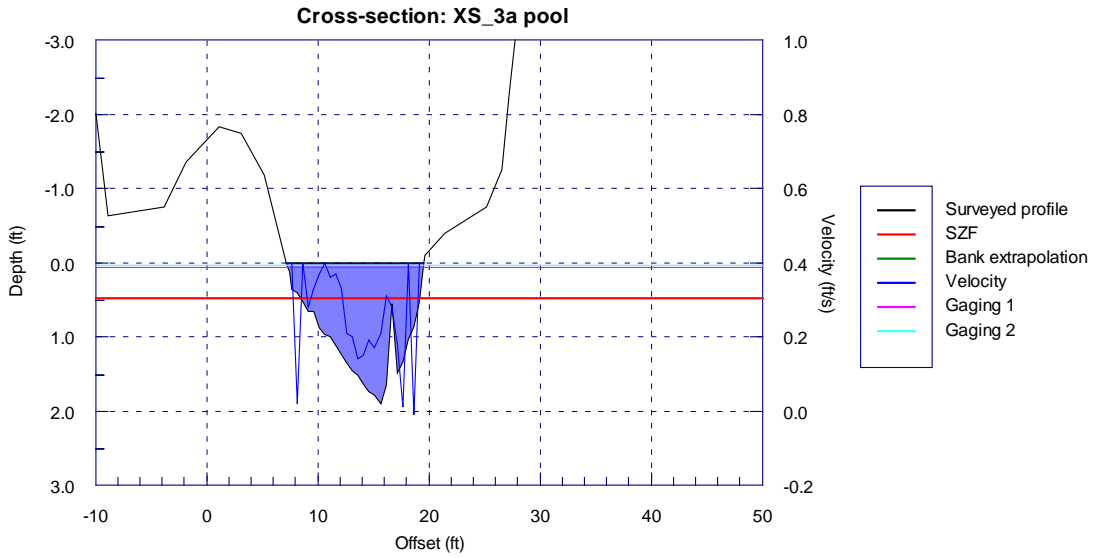
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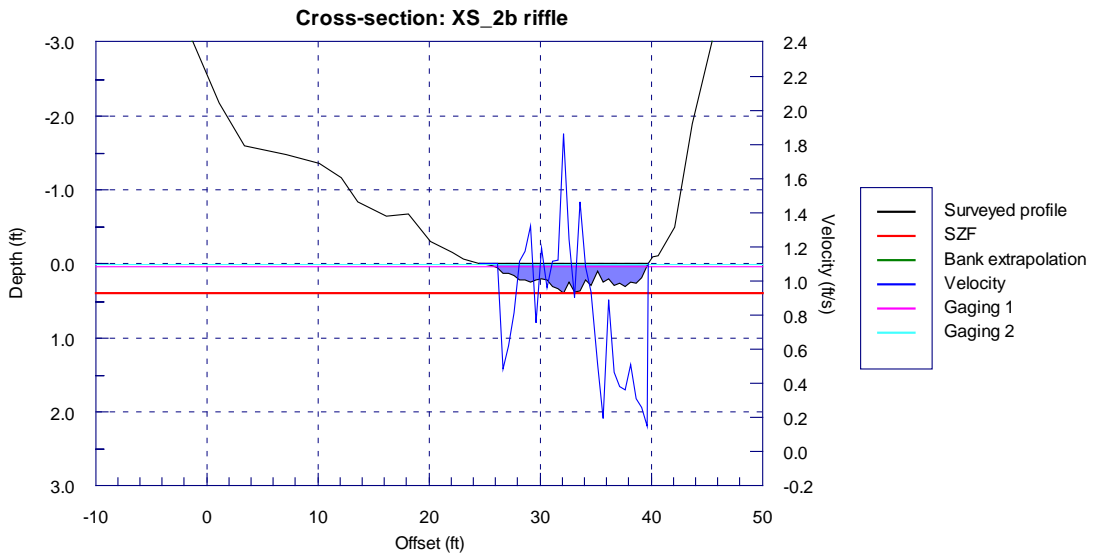
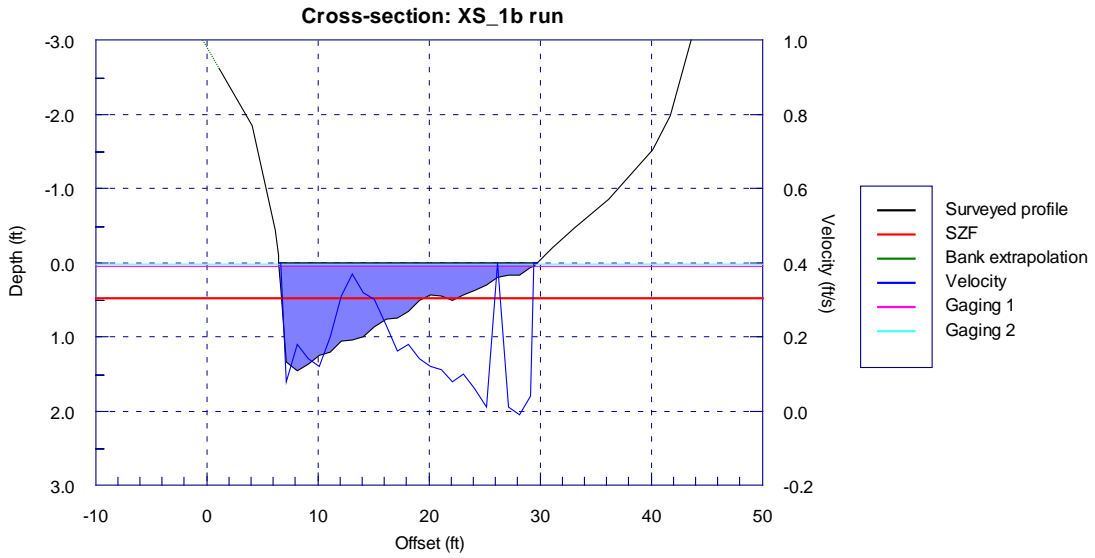
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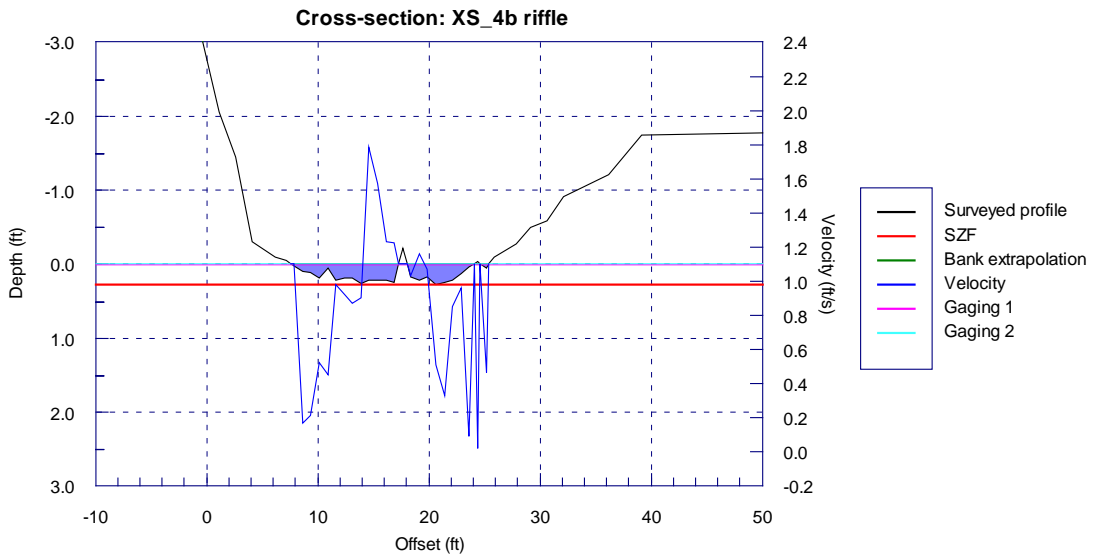
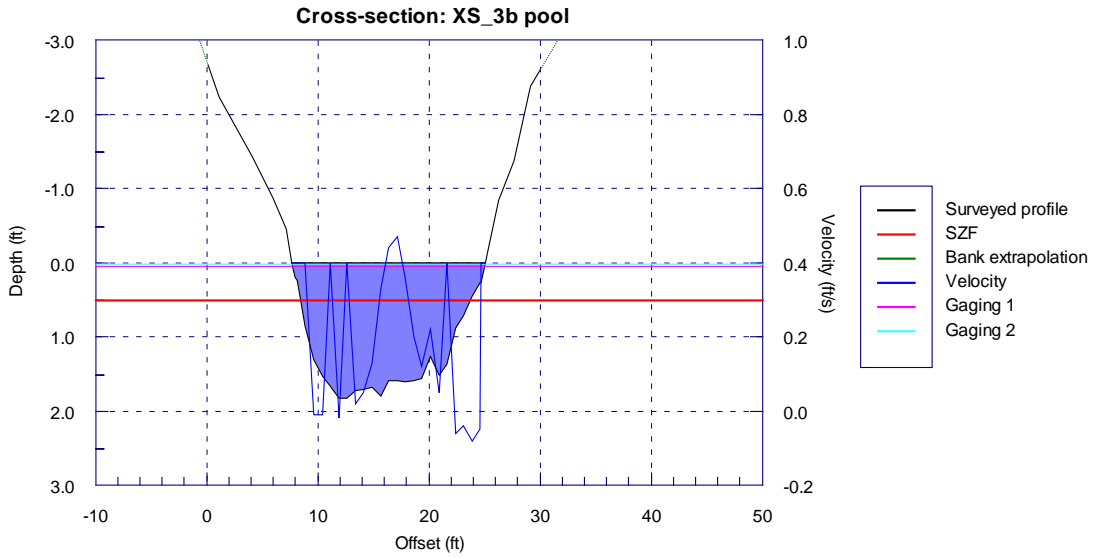
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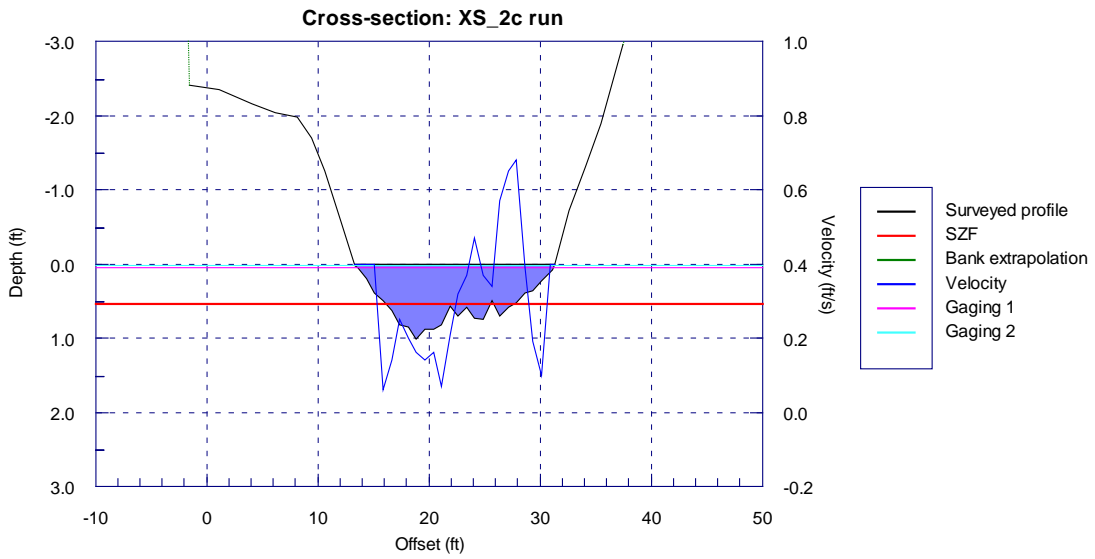
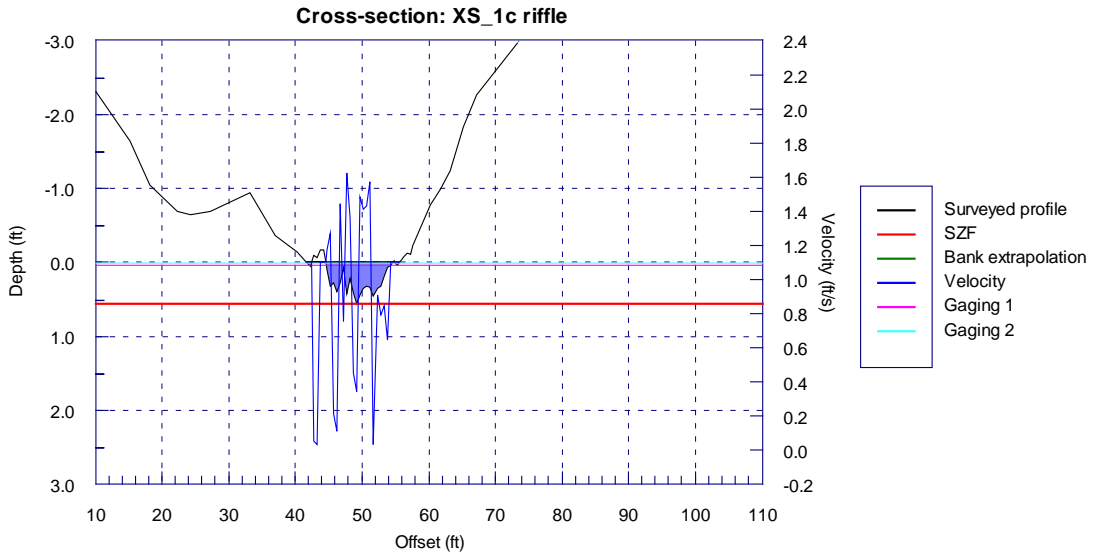
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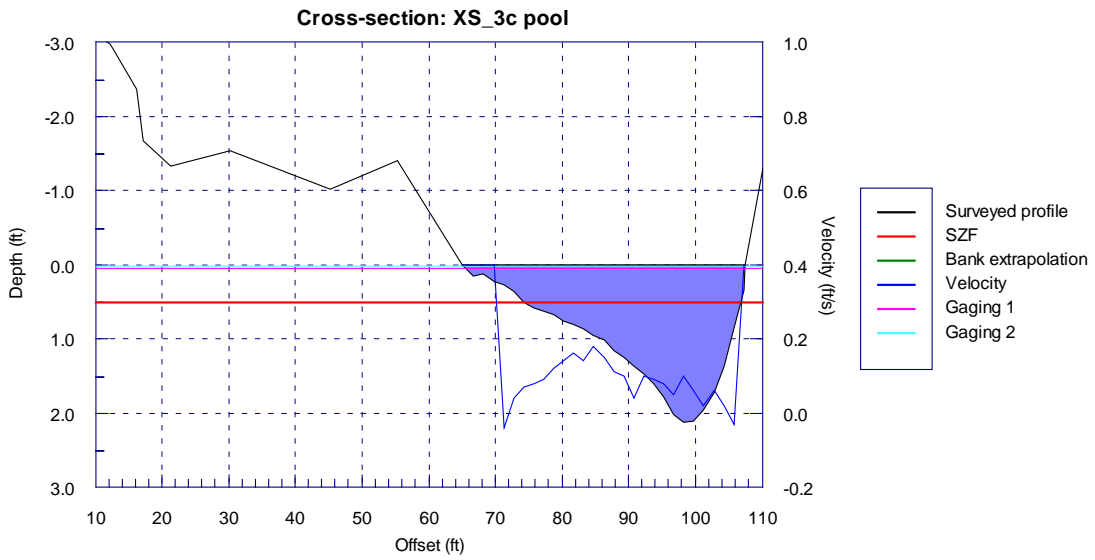












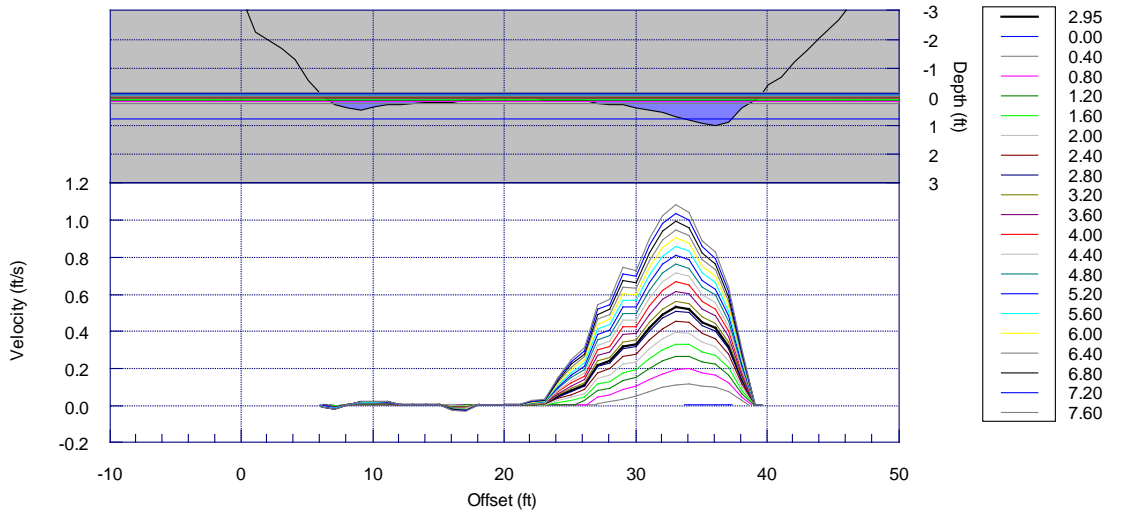


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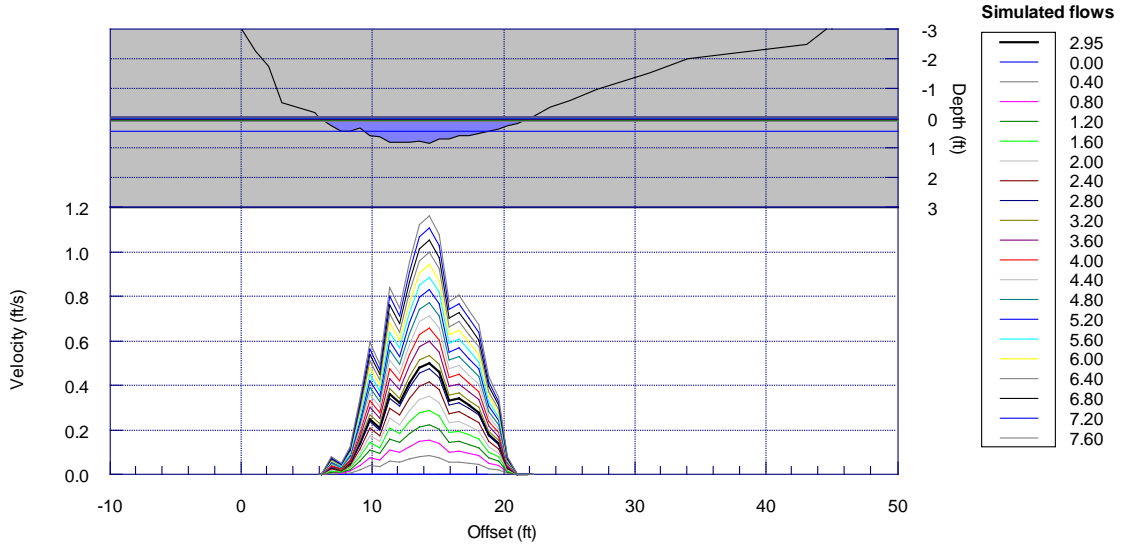
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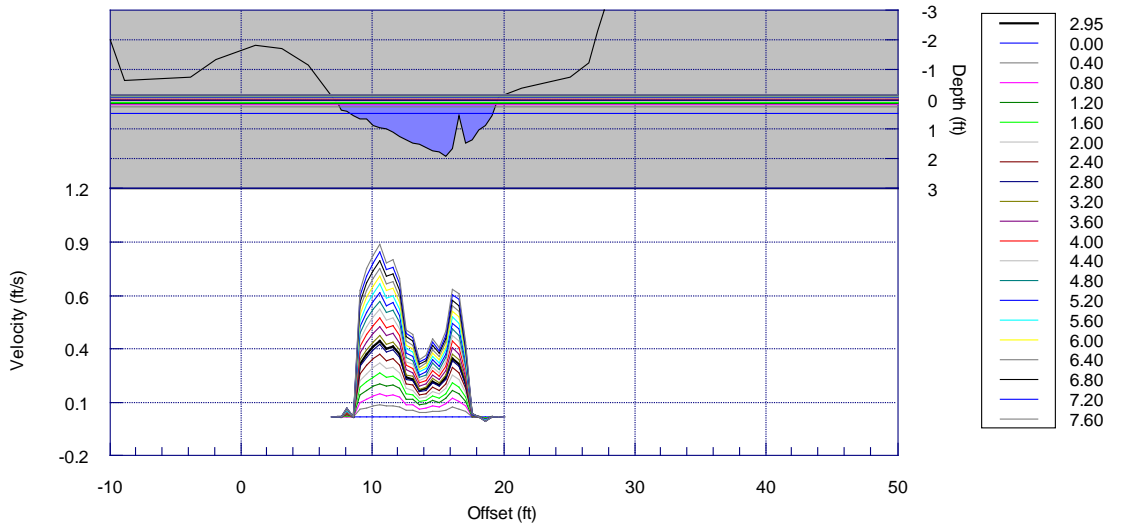
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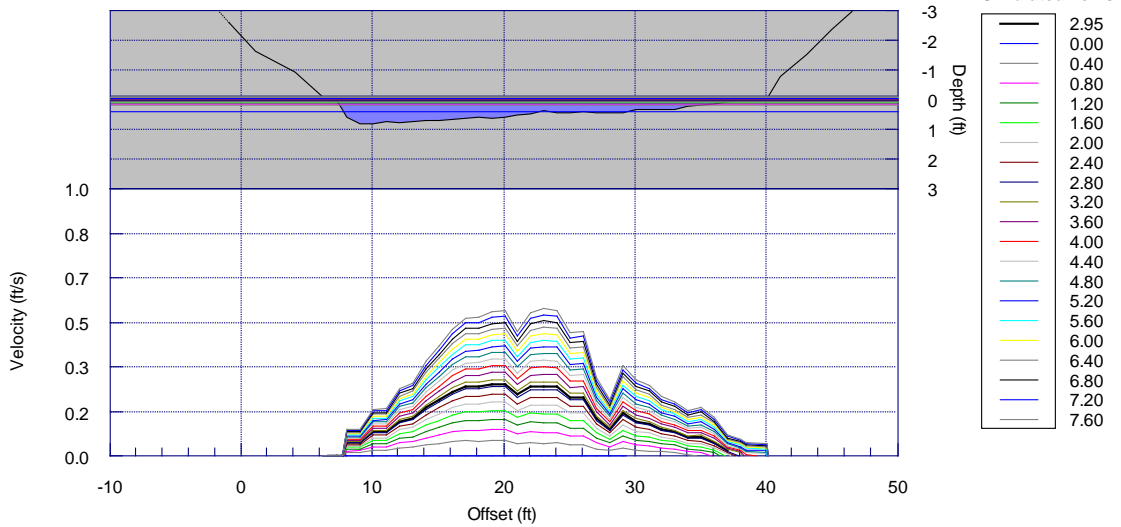
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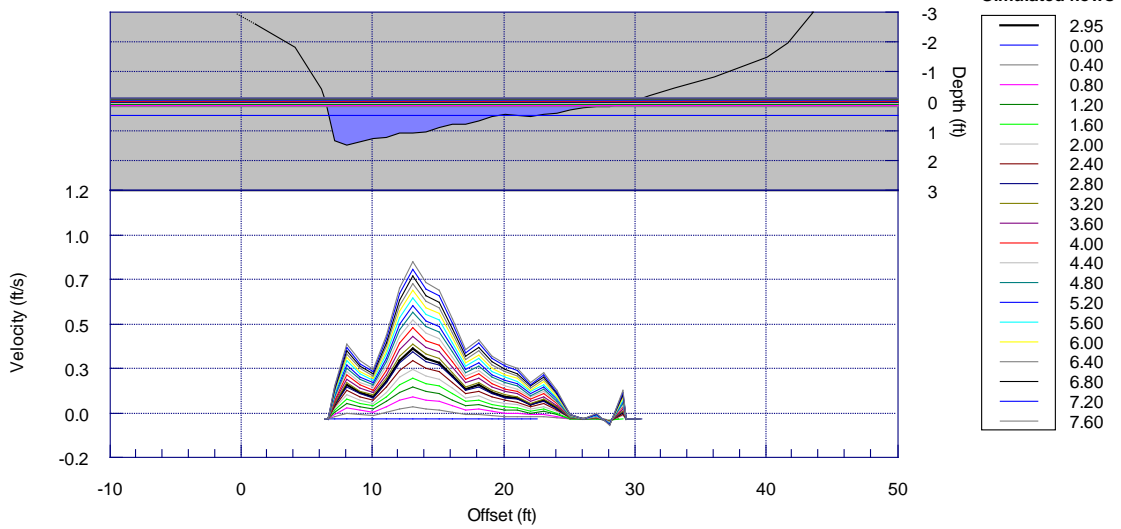
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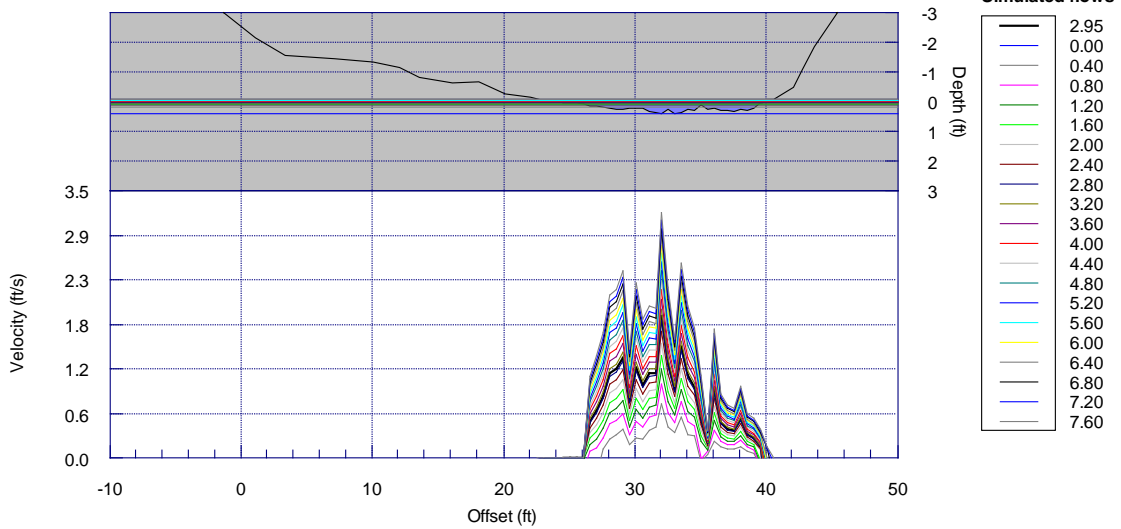
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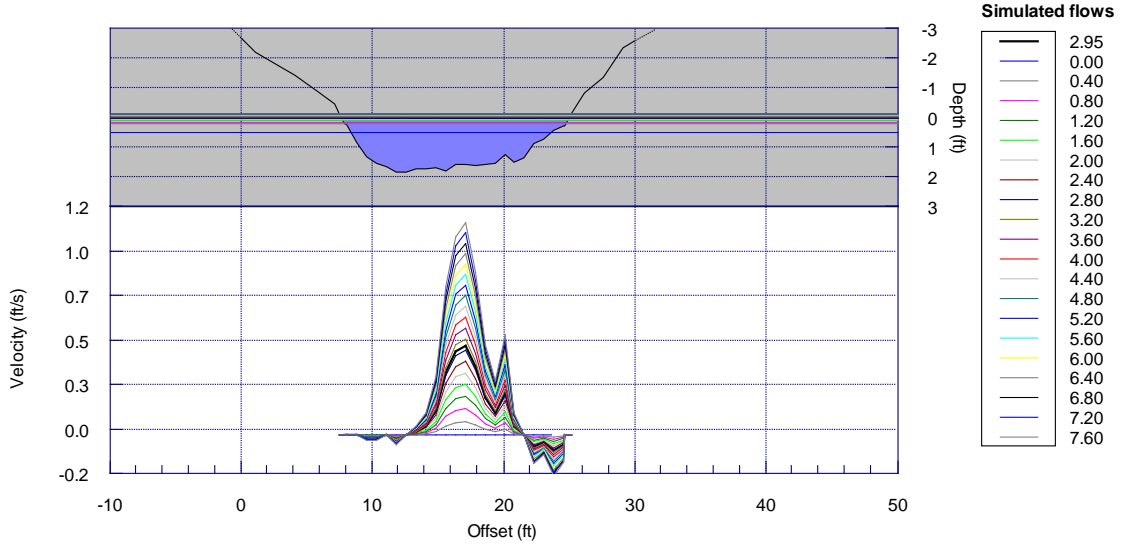
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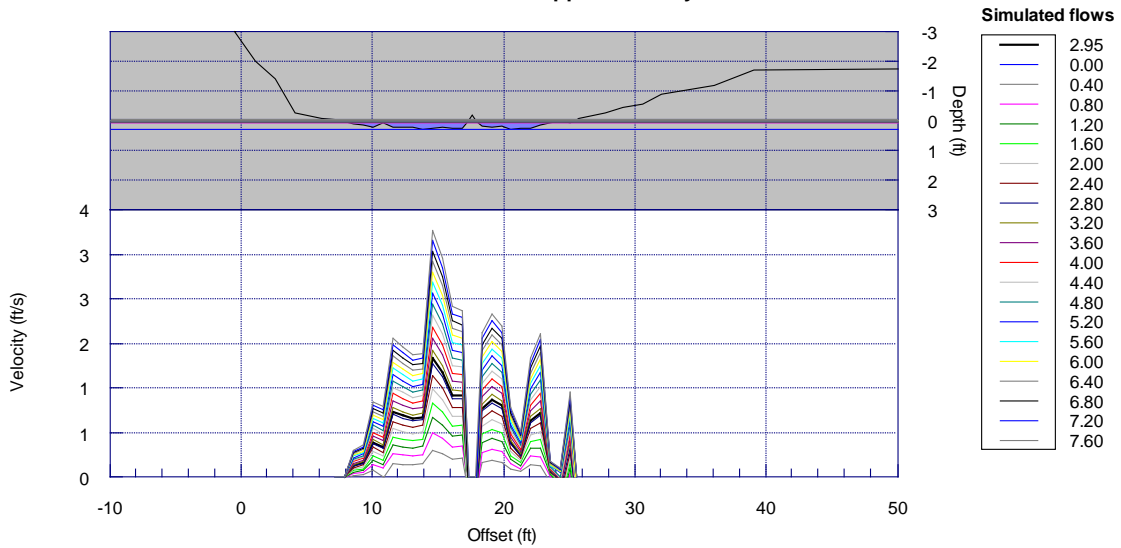
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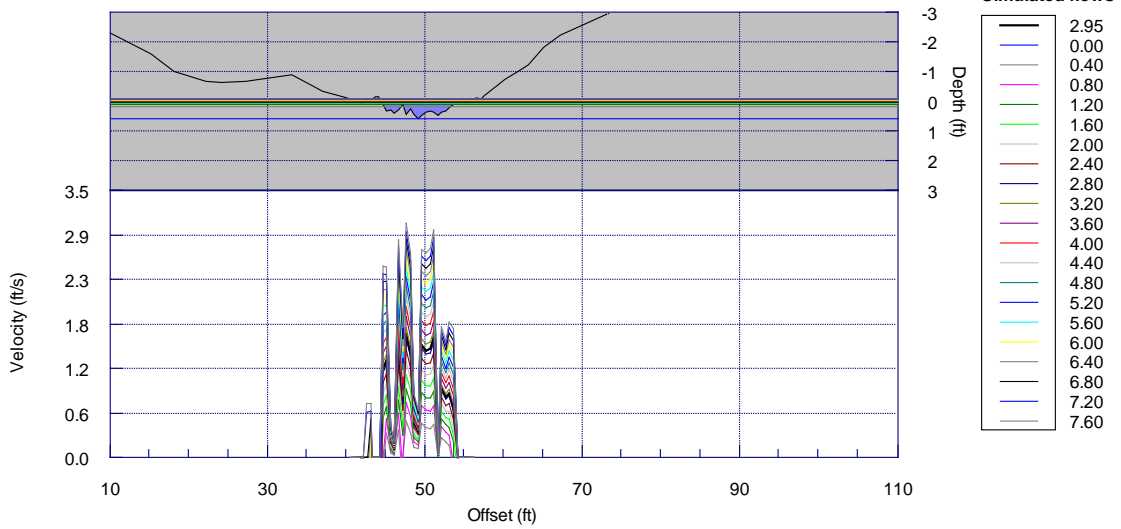
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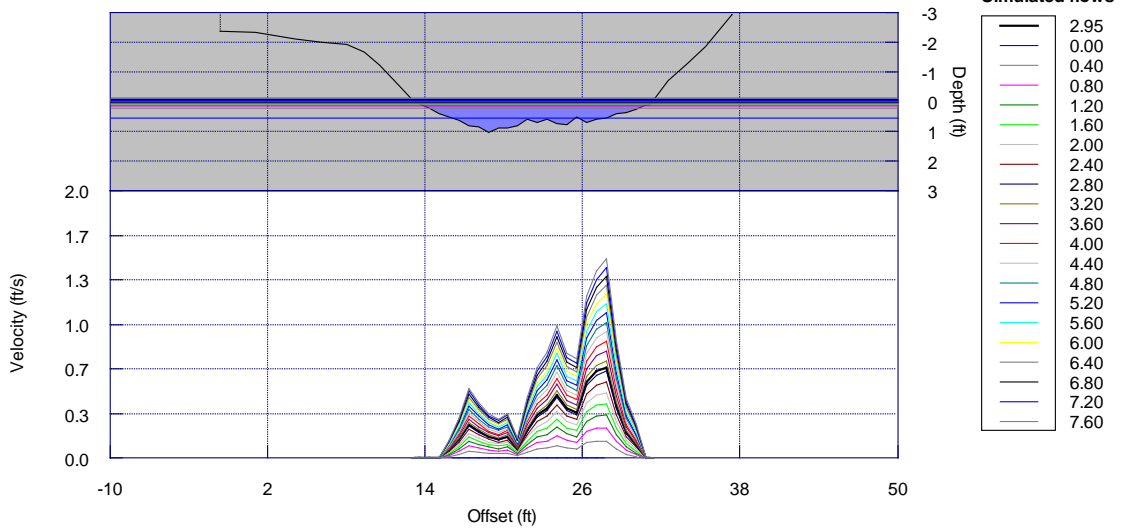
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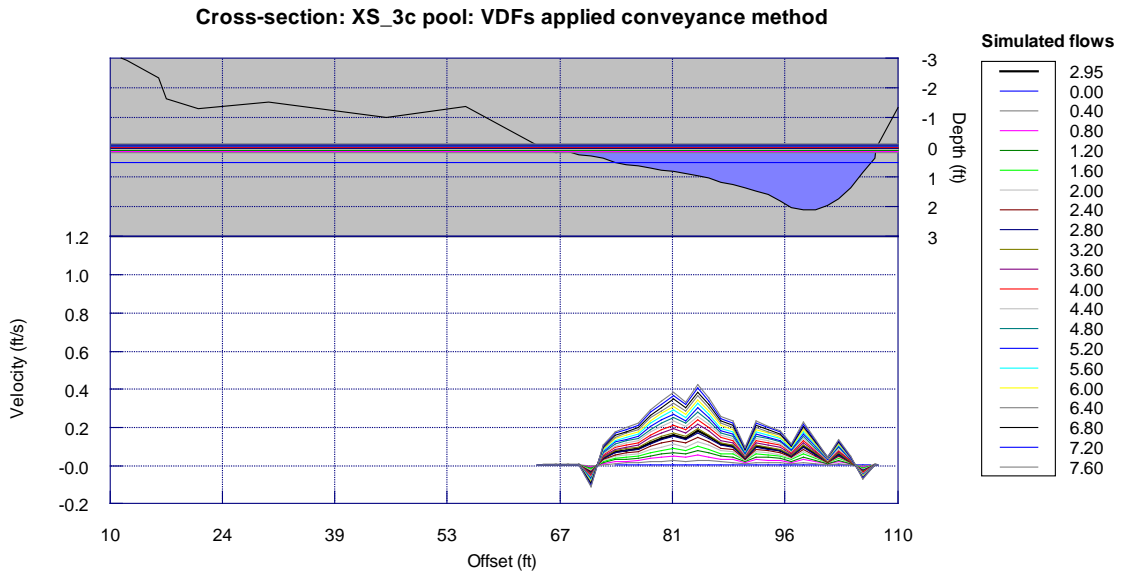


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Cross-section: XS\_2c run: VDFs applied conveyance method





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**Appendix F**  
**Transect Photographs**

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Figure F-1. Transect 1A looking upstream at 2.95 cfs (a), 1.46 cfs (b), 0.52 cfs (c), and < 0.10 cfs (d).





Figure F-2. Transect 2A looking upstream at 2.95 cfs (a), 1.46 cfs (b), 0.52 cfs (c), and 0.00 cfs (d).





Figure F-3. Transect 3A looking upstream at 2.95 cfs (a), 1.46 cfs (b), 0.52 cfs (c), and < 0.10 cfs (d).





Figure F-4. Transect 4A looking upstream at 2.95 cfs (a), 1.46 cfs (b), 0.52 cfs (c), and 0.00 cfs (d).





Figure F-5. Transect 1B looking upstream at 2.95 cfs (a), 1.46 cfs (b), 0.52 cfs (c), and 0.00 cfs (d).





Figure F-6. Transect 2B looking upstream at 2.95 cfs (a), 1.46 cfs (b), 0.52 cfs (c), and 0.00 cfs (d).





Figure F-7. Transect 3B looking upstream at 2.95 cfs (a), 1.46 cfs (b), 0.52 cfs (c), and 0.00 cfs (d).





Figure F-8. Transect 4B looking upstream at 2.95 cfs (a), 1.46 cfs (b), 0.52 cfs (c), and 0.00 cfs (d).





Figure F-9. Transect 1C looking upstream at 2.95 cfs (a), 1.46 cfs (b), 0.52 cfs (c), and 0.00 cfs (d).





Figure F-10. Transect 2C looking upstream at 2.95 cfs (a), 1.46 cfs (b), 0.52 cfs (c), and 0.00 cfs (d).





Figure F-11. Transect 3C looking upstream at 2.95 cfs (a), 1.46 cfs (b), 0.52 cfs (c), and < 0.10 cfs (d).





Figure F-12. Transect 4C looking upstream at 2.95 cfs (a), 1.46 cfs (b) and 0.52 cfs (c).

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**Attachment 1**  
**Recommendations Memo**

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## TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 21, 2024  
TO: James Green Cambria, Community Services District  
FROM: Stillwater Sciences  
SUBJECT: Recommendations for the Cambria Community Services District's Operations in the San Simeon Creek Basin

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### 1 INTRODUCTION

The Cambria Community Services District (CCSD) contracted with Stillwater Sciences to conduct an instream flow study of lower San Simeon Creek (Task 1; Stillwater Sciences 2024) and Todd Groundwater to conduct groundwater modeling of the same area assessed for the instream flow study (Task 2; Todd Groundwater 2022). The goal of the instream flow study was to determine the amount of surface flow needed to support aquatic species, while the goal of the groundwater modeling study was to assess the influence of operating the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) on groundwater conditions and effects on riparian and wetland habitat or surrounding agricultural activities under a range of scenarios. Results from both studies will be used to inform CCSD operations in the San Simeon Creek basin and to inform the Adaptive Management Plan for San Simeon Creek. This technical memorandum focuses on the analysis of surface flow conditions as they relate to special-status aquatic species and provides recommendations for CCSD's operations to be protective of sensitive species, including monitoring to help refine operational conditions and implementing measures to protect aquatic species. Recommendations for operation of the WRF and associated monitoring are provided in a separate guidance manual for use of Cambria Community Services District's water reclamation facility memorandum (Todd Groundwater 2023) because the WRF operates only when surface flows have ceased, so it does not influence surface flows that provide habitat for aquatic species.

Habitat conditions in lower San Simeon Creek—the lower 2.9 miles where the creek flow over the groundwater basin and streamflow is most likely to be influenced by CCSD's groundwater pumping—were assessed for their suitability for special-status aquatic species. Three sensitive species are known to occur in lower San Simeon Creek: steelhead (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*), tidewater goby (*Eucyclogobius newberryi*), and California Red-legged frog (CRLF; *Rana draytoni*). The Instream Flow Assessment used multiple methods to evaluate the potential influence of CCSD operations on sensitive aquatic species in lower San Simeon Creek as summarized in the following sections. Results from the Instream Flow Assessment were used to develop recommendations for CCSD operations to be protective of sensitive aquatic species in lower San Simeon Creek. Additional monitoring is also recommended to continue to direct CCSD operations to be protective of sensitive aquatic species.

## 2 ONE-DIMENSIONAL MODELING OF LOWER SAN SIMEON CREEK

The Incremental Flow Instream Flow Methodology (IFIM) was used to develop a 1D model to determine the relationship between streamflow and steelhead habitat in lower San Simeon Creek, while habitat conditions for CRLF and tidewater goby were assessed using qualitative habitat evaluations, as described in Section 4.

The 1D model simulated habitat conditions for steelhead at flows ranging from 0 cubic feet per second (cfs) to 7.6 cfs. Habitat conditions for flows greater than 7.6 cfs were not included in model simulations because flows of this magnitude are not expected to be influenced by (1) CCSD’s groundwater pumping operations (which have a maximum rate of 1.43 cfs) and (2) flows greater than 7.6 result from heavy precipitation events that occur when water demand is low and groundwater pumping is limited. Results from 1D modeling indicate that during a streamflow of 1.0 cfs and greater, habitat conditions support juvenile steelhead rearing. Reductions in flow when streamflow is at 1.0 cfs or less leads to a reduction in the quantity and quality of habitat for juvenile steelhead in lower San Simeon Creek. Streamflow of 1.0 cfs and greater is also expected to support CRLF breeding and rearing habitat conditions.

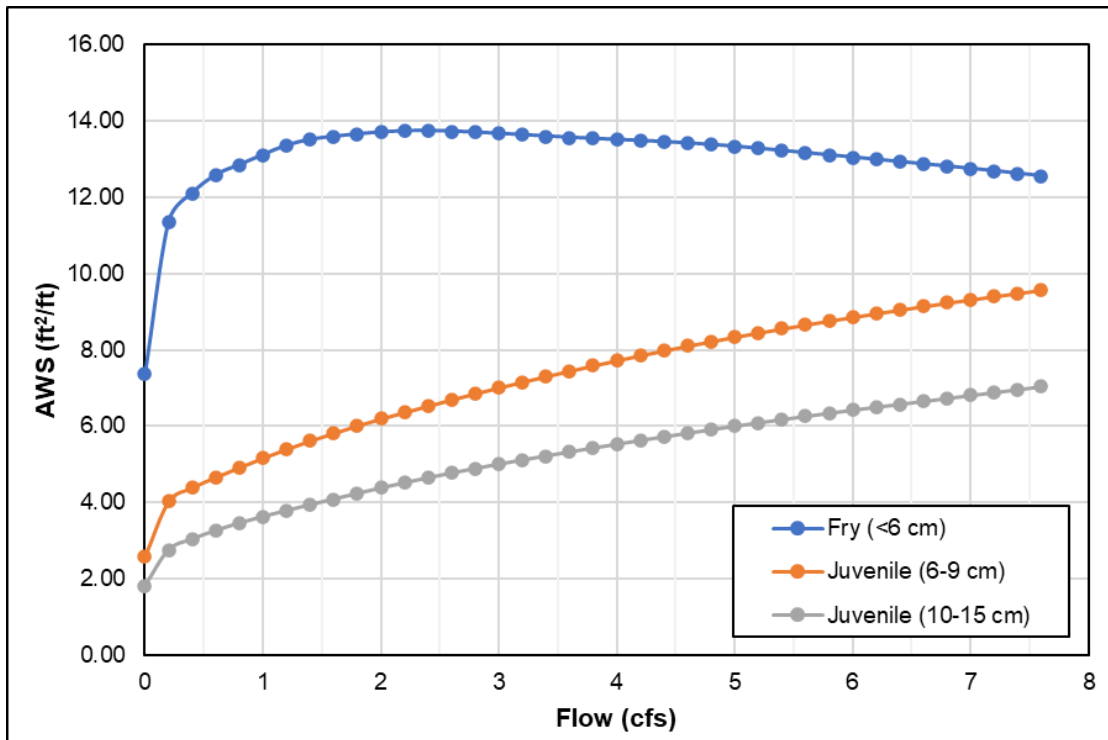


Figure 1. Flow habitat relationships (area weighted suitability) for fry and juvenile steelhead rearing in lower San Simeon Creek.



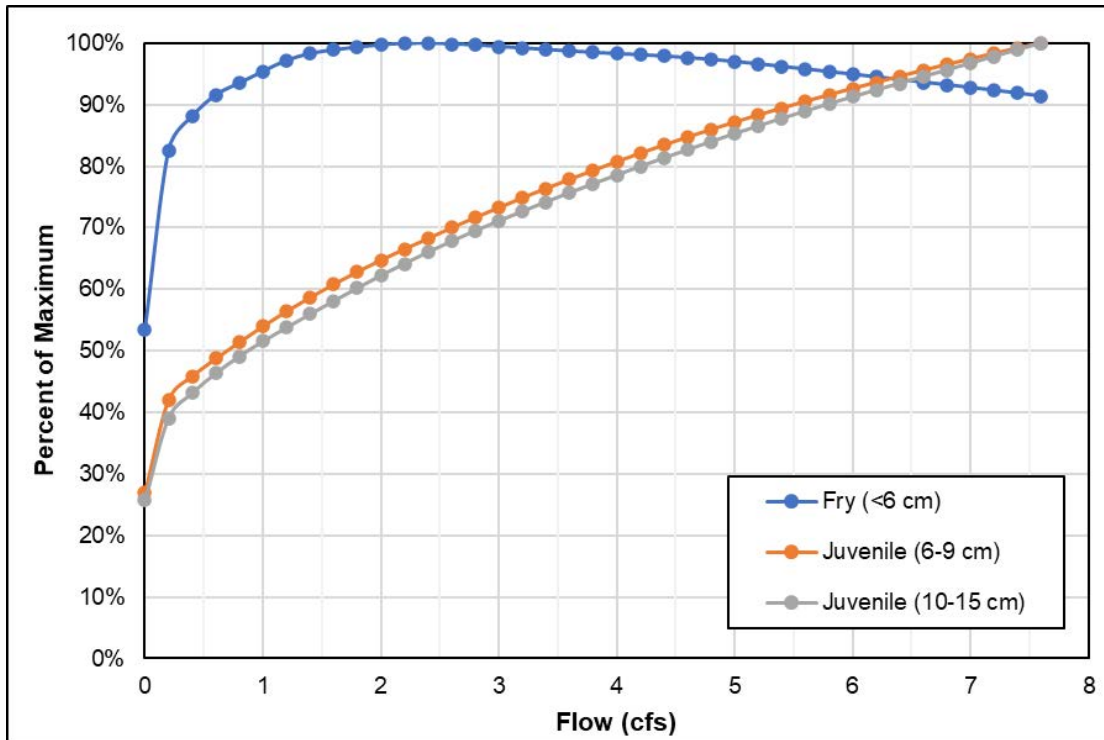
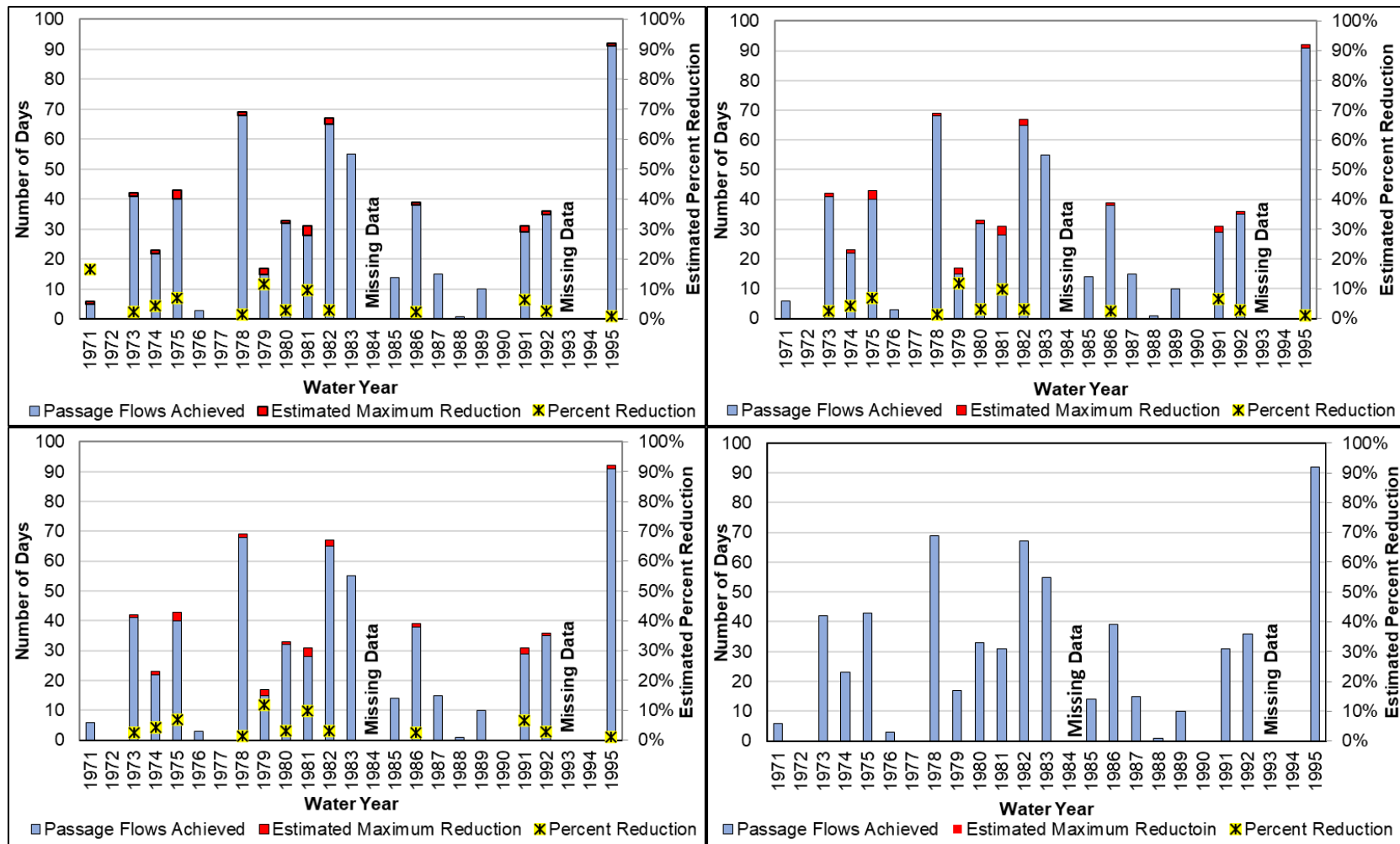


Figure 2. Percent of maximum area weighted suitability for fry and juvenile steelhead rearing in lower San Simeon Creek.

### 3 STEELHEAD PASSAGE ASSESSMENT

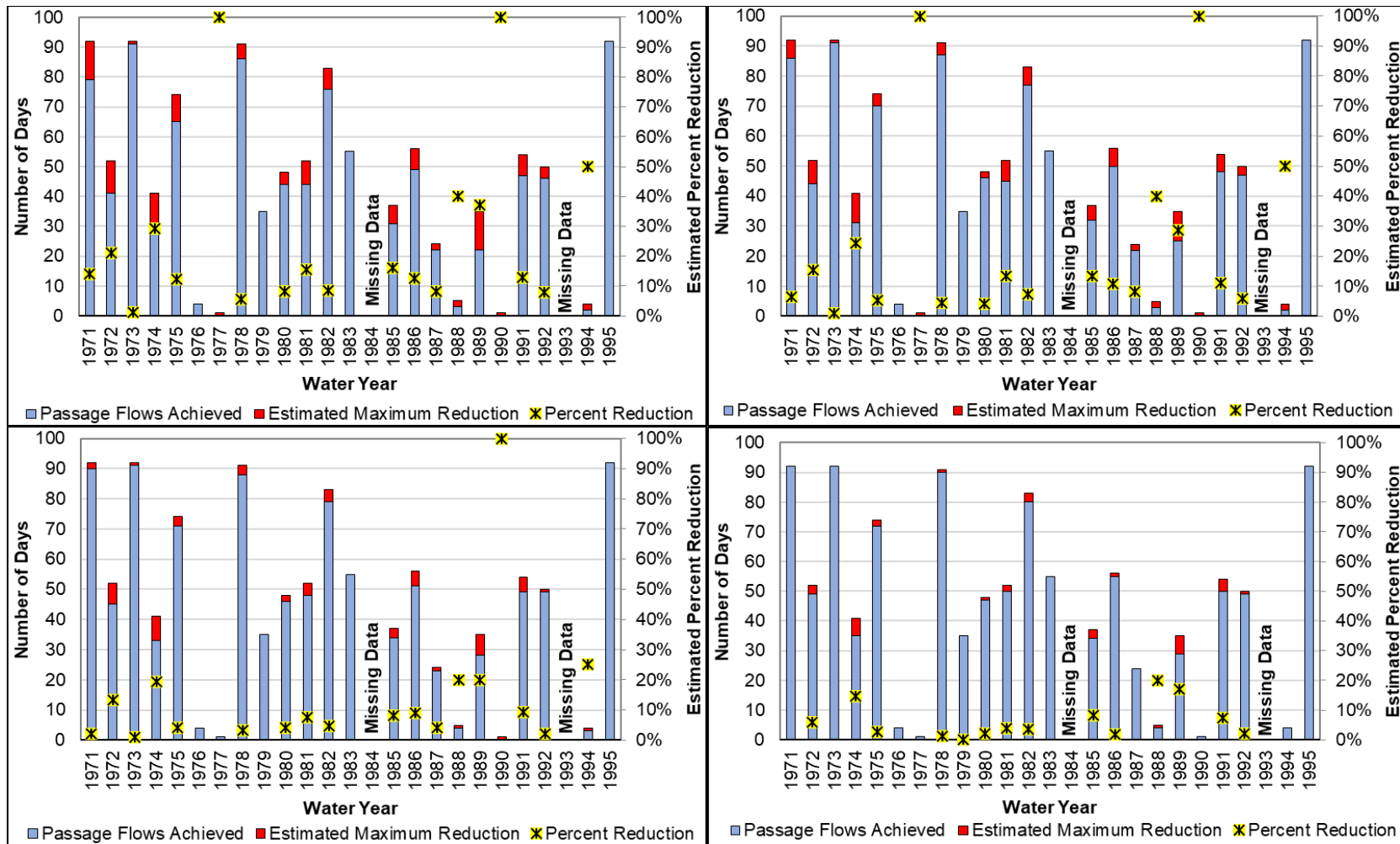
Steelhead passage conditions in lower San Simeon Creek were assessed based on review of previous studies that identified passage flows, available streamflow data, and CCSD’s pumping information. Adult steelhead passage requires high flows, ranging from 21 to 60 cfs (D. W. Alley and Associates 1992). These high flows are associated with large precipitation events and are not likely to be influenced by CCSD’s maximum pumping rate of 1.43 cfs. Juvenile steelhead passage requires lower flows than adult passage and ranges from 4 to 11 cfs (D. W. Alley and Associates 1992). These lower flows are typical of the spring recession flows in San Simeon Creek. Migration conditions for steelhead in lower San Simeon Creek are generally supported under CCSD’s current operations; however, if CCSD’s pumping rate were to exceed 0.64 cfs (which is CCSD’s current average rate for spring), CCSD’s operations have the potential to reduce juvenile steelhead migration during the lower juvenile passage flow threshold of 4 cfs (Figure 3 and Figure 4).





Notes: CCSD = Cambria Community Services District; cfs = cubic feet per second

Figure 3. Number of days streamflow supported the 11-cfs passage threshold and the estimated maximum reduction in passage days for juvenile steelhead based on daily average flows recorded at the Palmer Flats Gage (1971-1995) during the peak juvenile steelhead migration season (March-May) under the following pumping scenarios: (A) maximum CCSD and private well pumping of 1.85 cfs, (B) maximum CCSD pumping of 1.43 cfs, (C) average CCSD pumping and maximum private well pumping of 1.02 cfs, and (D) average CCSD pumping of 0.64 cfs.



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Figure 4. Number of days streamflow supported the 4-cfs passage threshold and the estimated maximum reduction in passage days for juvenile steelhead based on daily average flows recorded at the Palmer Flats Gage (1971-1995) during the peak juvenile steelhead migration season (March-May) and the following pumping scenarios: (A) maximum CCSD and private well pumping of 1.85 cfs, (B) maximum CCSD pumping of 1.43 cfs, (C) average CCSD pumping and maximum private well pumping of 1.02 cfs, and (D) average CCSD pumping of 0.64 cfs.

## 4 CALIFORNIA-RED LEGGED FROG AND LAGOON HABITAT

Habitat suitable for CRLF breeding was identified throughout lower San Simeon Creek and surveyed over a range streamflow conditions to determine flows that would maintain breeding habitat. Suitable CRLF breeding habitat was generally found in pools that continued to provide such habitat even as flows decreased to almost 0 cfs. However, once streamflow ceases, CRLF habitat becomes limited to a few isolated pools in lower San Simeon Creek and in San Simeon Creek Lagoon. When streamflow is low (less than about 1.0 cfs), CCSD's pumping is likely to increase the rate at which pool habitat becomes isolated and the rate at which pools dry out, leading to stranded CRLF tadpoles. Additional suitable habitat for CRLF is located in San Simeon Creek Lagoon.

## 5 LAGOON HABITAT FOR SENSITIVE SPECIES

Existing monthly water quality and stage elevation data for San Simeon Creek Lagoon (collected by the California State Parks) for the period from December 2019 through July 2022 were evaluated to assess the relationship between surface flow and aquatic habitat conditions in the lagoon. Data collected from San Simeon Creek Lagoon were compared to water quality criteria (e.g., temperature, dissolved oxygen, and salinity) reported to be suitable for steelhead, tidewater goby, and CRLF to assess habitat conditions for special-status aquatic species. Habitat conditions in San Simeon Creek Lagoon are suitable for juvenile steelhead, tidewater goby, and CRLF under current conditions based on water temperature, dissolved oxygen, and salinity levels reported for most of the year. During the few instances when water quality thresholds were exceeded for any of these species, other locations in the lagoon were still within the suitable range.

## 6 RECOMMENDATIONS

The following actions are recommended to protect aquatic resources and inform CCSD's ongoing and future operations in lower San Simeon Creek.

### 6.1 Operations Management

To be protective of aquatic resources in lower San Simeon Creek, Stillwater Sciences recommends that CCSD adjust groundwater pumping operations during sensitive streamflow levels identified in the instream flow study. Sensitive streamflow levels that support rearing habitat for steelhead range from greater than 0.0 cfs up to 1.0 cfs, and streamflow of 4.0 cfs are sensitive for juvenile steelhead passage. Flows that support adult steelhead passage do not appear to be sensitive to CCSD's operations because they require high-magnitude, rain-driven flow events (i.e., > 20 cfs). Sensitive streamflow for CRLF would be protected under the same range of conditions required to protect steelhead. Flows to support tidewater goby were not identified during this study because tidewater goby habitat is primarily found in San Simeon Creek Lagoon where effects from CCSD's pumping operations do not appear to be impacting habitat conditions.

To be protective of sensitive aquatic species, Stillwater Sciences recommends the following:

1. CCSD should not pump groundwater when streamflow is between 0 and 1 cfs.

2. When streamflow is between 1.0 and 2.5 cfs, the CCSD's pumping rate should be calculated based on the minimum of the 1.0-cfs threshold for protecting juvenile steelhead rearing. For example, if the streamflow is 1.5 cfs, then CCSD's pumping rate should not exceed 0.5 cfs to protect the 1.0-cfs threshold for juvenile steelhead rearing.
3. CCSD's pumping rates should not exceed 0.64 cfs during the spring when streamflow ranges between 4.0 and 5.5 cfs to protect juvenile migration. When flows are above approximately 5.5 cfs, CCSD's pumping is not expected to affect aquatic habitat because CCSD's maximum pumping rate is 1.43 cfs, and no pumping restrictions are recommended.
4. When surface flows cease (0 cfs), CCSD's pumping is not expected to affect aquatic habitat, and no pumping restrictions are recommended.

**Table 1.** Summary of recommendations for the Cambria Community Services District's pumping operations to minimize potential effects on sensitive aquatic species based on streamflow and season.

Streamflow (cfs)	Months	Pumping Restrictions	Basis for Restrictions
>5.0	Year-round	No restrictions	NA <sup>1</sup>
4.0 to 5.0	March through June	Pumping rate should not exceed 0.64 cfs	Support juvenile migration
2.5 to 4.0	Year-round	No restrictions	NA <sup>1</sup>
1.0 to 2.5	Year-round	Pumping rate should not exceed amount of streamflow greater than 1.0 cfs (i.e., if streamflow is 1.5 cfs, pumping should not exceed 0.5 cfs)	Protect juvenile steelhead rearing, CRLF breeding and tadpole rearing
0.0 to 1.0	Year-round	No pumping to occur during this range of flows	Protect juvenile steelhead rearing, CRLF breeding and tadpole rearing
<0.0	Year-round	No restrictions <sup>2</sup>	NA <sup>1</sup>

Notes: cfs = cubic feet per second; CRLF = California red-legged frog; NA = not applicable

<sup>1</sup> No resources were identified as being sensitive to CCSD's pumping operations within this range of streamflow.

## 6.2 Long-term Monitoring

Monitoring in association with the preceding operational recommendations will be important for directing and informing CCSD's groundwater pumping operations. Stillwater Sciences recommends long-term monitoring of streamflow, fish stranding, and lagoon water quality as described below.

### 6.2.1 Stream flows

Streamflow monitoring is recommended to develop a better long-term record of flows in San Simeon Creek and to inform CCSD's operations and adaptive management practices. Continuous monitoring of streamflow should be conducted near the San Simeon well field and near the upstream end of the groundwater basin at the Palmer Flats gage location. The County of San Luis Obispo currently operates a stream gage near the San Simeon well field that continuously records water levels. However, a stage-discharge rating curve needs to be developed and validated to apply to the stage data collected at this existing gage in order to convert stage-level recordings to streamflow. A continuous stage measuring device is recommended at the Palmer Flats gage

location, and additional flow data collection is required to develop a continuous flow record as described above.

### 6.2.2 Fish stranding

Monitoring of isolated pools is recommended in lower Simeon Creek to assess the risk of juvenile steelhead stranding. Stillwater Sciences recommends visual observations of isolated pool habitat to assess relative abundance of juvenile steelhead “trapped” in isolated pools. Monitoring surveys should be conducted during the spring once surface flows decrease to less than 1 cfs near CCSD’s well field and recur as flows continue to drop and pools become intermittent. Biologists familiar with the identification of juvenile steelhead should walk the channel to identify locations of isolated pool habitats and visually inspect pools from the shore to estimate the number of steelhead within each pool. All observations of potential stranding will be reported to the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFW) for relocation consideration.

CCSD will work closely with CDFW with CDFW taking the lead for relocating stranded fish (Z. Crumb, CDFW, pers. comm., January 15, 2024). Relocation details will be determined based on site-specific conditions that can change between years but is expected to include backpack electrofishing to capture steelhead and relocation to San Simeon Creek Lagoon.

### 6.2.3 San Simeon Creek Lagoon water quality

Stillwater Sciences also recommends monitoring San Simeon Creek Lagoon stage levels and water quality conditions (temperature, dissolved oxygen, and salinity) at the upstream and downstream ends of the lagoon during the late spring through fall. Water quality measurements should be collected throughout the water column (i.e., upper, lower and middle) at each monitoring location on a monthly basis and evaluated in relation to flows within lower Simeon Creek.

## 6.3 Annual Reporting

Finally, Stillwater Sciences recommends that CCSD annually summarize the results from the long-term monitoring in a report provided to the Technical Advisory Committee. The report should include the following information to assist in ongoing evaluation of CCSD operations in the San Simeon Creek basin:

1. CCSD pumping operations in relation to streamflow near the county gage, especially for streamflow ranges between 0 and 2.5 cfs and 4.0 to 5.5 cfs, including the number of days and the rate of extraction;
2. The number of days that pumping reduced juvenile steelhead migration flows less than 4 cfs;
3. Summary of fish stranding observations and whether fish relocation occurred; and
4. Summary of San Simeon Creek Lagoon water quality monitoring results.

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**Attachment 2**

**Operational Guidance Manual for WRF**

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December 11, 2023

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** James Green, Cambria Community Services District

**From:** Gus Yates, Senior Hydrologist

**Re:** **Guidance Manual for Use of Cambria Community Services District's Water Reclamation Facility**

## BACKGROUND

Cambria Community Services District (District) constructed an indirect potable reuse facility near its wastewater percolation ponds in the San Simeon Creek groundwater basin in 2014. The facility was permitted on an emergency basis to address water supply shortages during the drought that was then occurring. The plant was operated sporadically during 2014-2016 and has remained idle since then. The facility is now known as the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF), and the District expects to use it during future droughts, if needed. This guidance manual presents systematic decision rules for when and how much to operate the WRF, including when to turn it on, how to adjust the production rate on a weekly or biweekly basis, and when to turn it off. It also describes a monitoring program that should be implemented before and during WRF operation to detect and mitigate any impacts to pools in San Simeon Creek or to its terminal lagoon.

## WHEN TO TURN ON WRF

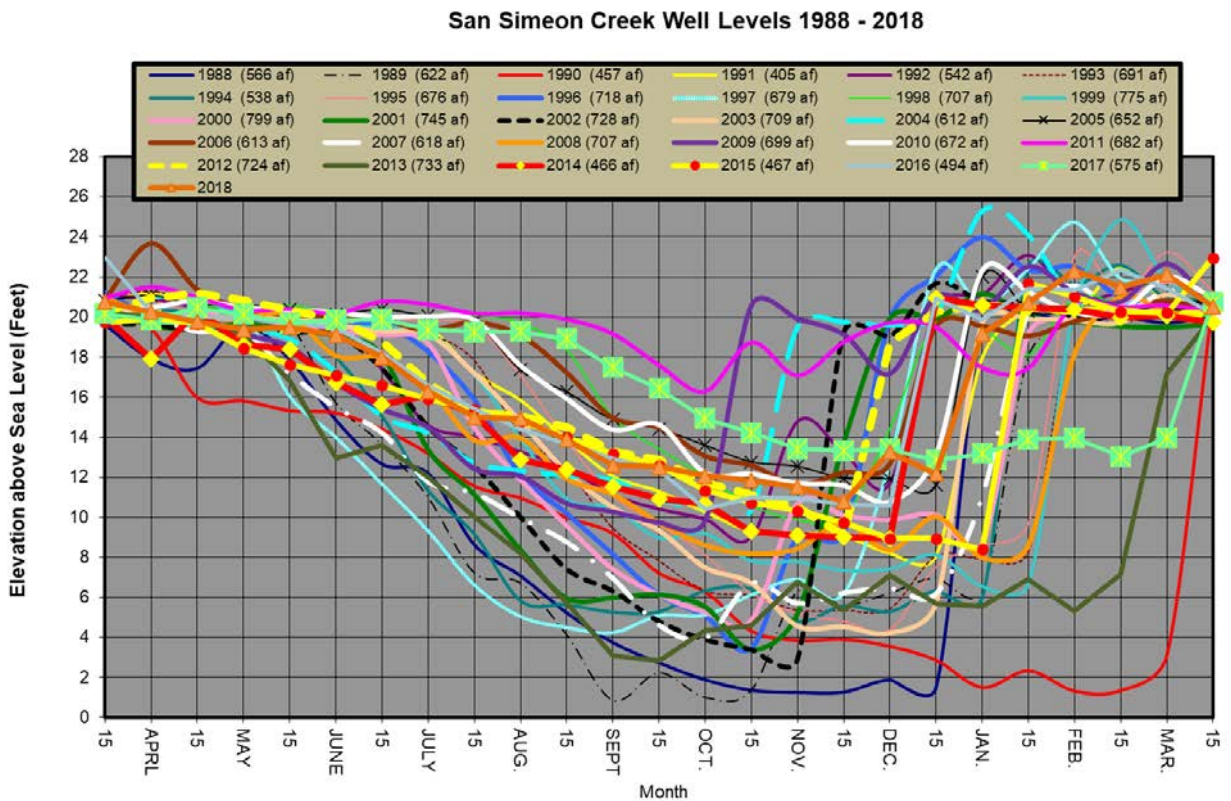
Criteria for when to turn on the WRF in any given year emerged from simulations of WRF operation under various drought and water shortage conditions using a groundwater flow model of the San Simeon Creek groundwater basin (Todd Groundwater, 2022). There are several constraints on the amount of water that the WRF can produce. The limitation that most commonly constrained operation in the simulations was the water-level gradient between well SS-4 and well 9P2 (see locations in **Figure 1**). To prevent the subsurface flow of percolated wastewater toward the well field, the water level in SS-4 should always be higher than the water level in 9P2. The existing permit for operating the percolation ponds allows temporary excursions to a reverse gradient, with SS-4 as much as 0.79 foot below 9P2 (a gradient of -0.79 foot). In practice, CCSD operates the system to avoid a water level difference less than +0.75 foot (that is, SS-4 water level at least 0.75 foot higher than 9P2 water level), and this was the criterion used in the scenarios. Other constraints including the capacity of the supply well (well 9P7), the microfiltration and reverse osmosis capacities, water rights and environmental impacts proved not to be limiting.



The SS-4/9P2 gradient typically declines during the dry season as pumping from the well field gradually lowers water levels near SS-4. The simulations demonstrated that relatively uniform WRF operation could be achieved by turning on the WRF before the gradient fell to less than +0.75 foot. In scenarios where San Simeon Creek flow dropped to near zero at the beginning of April, the WRF needed to start operating in early September. When creek flow approached zero at the beginning of March, the WRF needed to start operating in early August. The minimum gradient occurred later (November or December).

In general, WRF operation will be needed in years when the dry season starts early. The dry season for this purpose is defined as the date when San Simeon Creek flow at Palmer Flats falls below 2 cfs, which is the estimated amount of creek percolation between Palmer Flats and the well field. If the dry season starts early, groundwater levels in the lower San Simeon Creek basin should be checked regularly and trends projected out to the likely end of the dry season to determine whether WRF operation will be needed. The specific steps for implementing this process are as follows:

1. Measure or estimate stream flow at Palmer Flats weekly from March 1 to May 1. Determine the date when flow drops below 2 cfs, which is the start of the dry season. If that date occurs before May 1, continue with the remaining steps.
2. Plot the average water level at the District's three San Simeon production wells on a dry-season hydrograph like the one shown in **Figure 1**, which the District prepares every year. If the curve for the current year is in the bottom third of the range of curves as of August 1, plan to turn on the WRF by mid-August or the beginning of September.



**Figure 1. Historical San Simeon Creek Groundwater Levels during the Dry Season, 1988-2018**

3. A second and more important criterion is a similar plot of the SS-4/9P2 gradient. Calculate the difference in groundwater elevation between SS-4 and 9P2 (SS-4 minus 9P2) and plot it as a dry-season hydrograph. The District has not historically done this, but an example using simulation results is shown in **Figure 2**. The water-level difference was declining rapidly during April-August of the first year of the simulation (labeled as 2013) and would clearly fall below +0.75 foot before mid-December. In the "Stage 4" scenario, the difference continued to decline to -0.6 by March of the second year. In the "Stage 4 + WRF" scenario, the WRF was turned on at the beginning of September in the first year of the simulation, and the WRF flow was adjusted to maintain a water level difference greater than +0.75 foot.

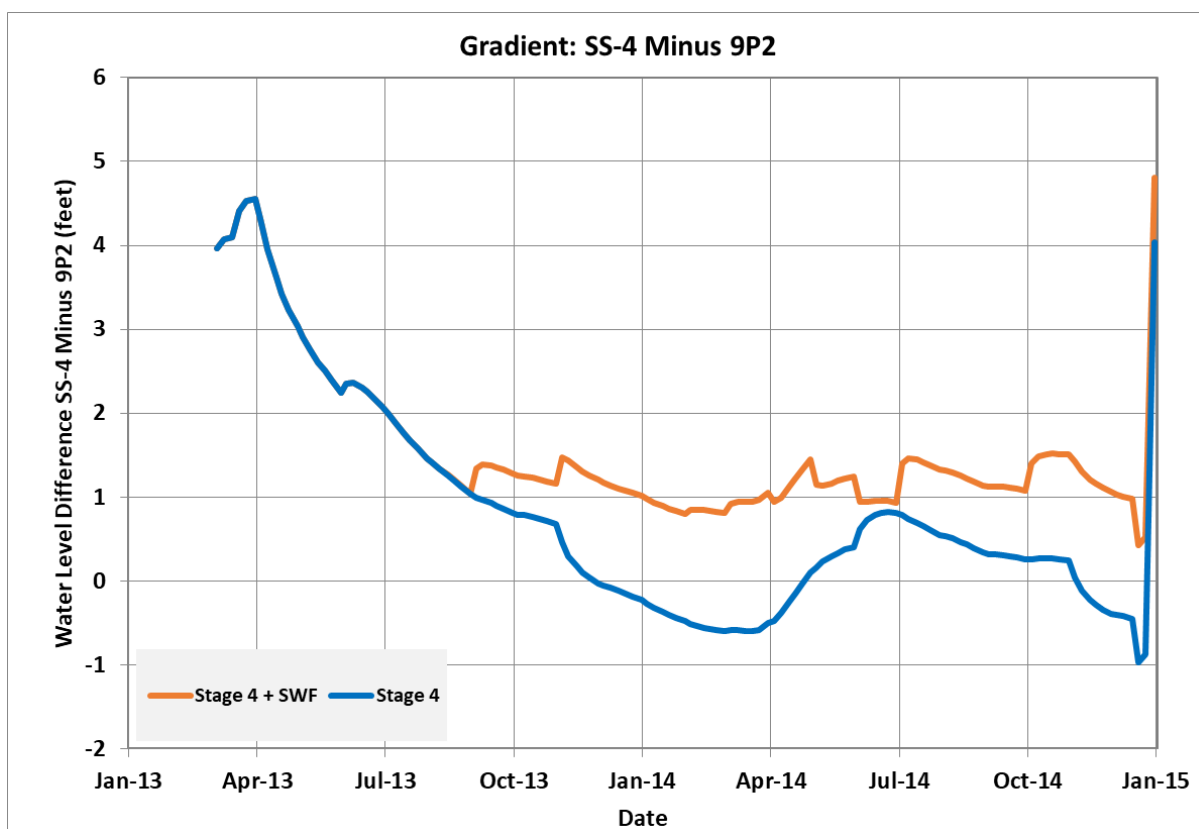


Figure 2. Hydrograph of Simulated SS-4/9P2 Water Level Difference for Two Scenarios

## SELECTING WRF FLOW RATE

Well 9P7 is the supply well for the WRF, and it is not designed for variable output. The amount of WRF flow over a week or month is adjusted by changing the percent of time that 9P7 and the microfiltration (MF) and reverse osmosis (RO) treatment trains are operating. This would typically be the number of hours per day and/or days per week that the facility operates.

In a series of scenarios covering Stage 4 and Stage 6 water shortage conditions with and without concurrent increases in pumping by nearby agricultural users, it was found that WRF production rates of 10-35 AF/mo were needed to maintain the SS-4/9P2 gradient above +0.75 foot. This production rate is the volume injected at the injection well. Working backwards through the RO efficiency (92.1%) and microfiltration efficiency (94.5%) and allowing for the lagoon mitigation discharge (100 gpm of microfiltration water), the amount of pumping at the WRF supply well (well 9P7) can be calculated, as shown in **Table 1** below.

**Table 1. Well 9P7 Pumping to Supply Target Injection Volume**

Recycled Water Injection Well (AF/mo)	9P7 WRF Supply Well Production		
	AF/mo	Equivalent gpm	Percent of Time Operating
10	26.6	198	34%
15	31.4	234	40%
20	37.2	277	48%
25	42.9	319	55%
30	48.7	363	62%
35	54.5	406	70%

The SS-4/9P2 gradient responded fairly quickly to changes in WRF production rate in the simulations. Effects could be seen within 2 weeks, which was the time interval used in the simulations. If the gradient accidentally falls below the target of +0.75 foot, an increase of 5-10 AF/mo of WRF production will likely put it back above +0.75 foot within 2-4 weeks.

Adjustments to WRF production should be made every 2 weeks until the facility is turned off.

## WHEN TO TURN OFF WRF

WRF operation is no longer needed when stream flow in San Simeon Creek resumes. Typically, a major storm in early winter (November-January) will initiate substantial flow that replenishes the groundwater basin within a few weeks. In dry winters, there may be periods when the SS-4/9P2 gradient stays slightly above +0.75 foot without WRF operation then falls back below a few weeks later. In that case, the WRF can be turned on and off at low rates to continue meeting the target gradient until a larger stream flow event arrives.

## MONITORING BEFORE AND DURING WRF OPERATION

One concern with operating the WRF is that pumping from its supply well might lower the water level in the lagoon or in perennial pools in San Simeon Creek just upstream of the lagoon. The mitigation discharge is designed to ensure that impacts do not occur, but monitoring is recommended for confirmation.

### Data Collection

Monitoring should begin before the WRF starts operating because the detection of impacts relies on analysis of trends. In any year when WRF operation is expected, monitoring should start about 2 months in advance. Most of the monitoring focuses on water levels. However,

other variables that can affect water levels also need to be monitored so that the cause of a change in water level trend can be correctly identified. This leads to the following steps:

1. Contact San Simeon Basin agricultural pumpers (Jon Pedotti and Clyde Warren) to find out their irrigation plans for the remainder of the dry season. Above-average irrigation by those growers tends to hasten the date when the WRF needs to be turned on and may cause independent, additional impacts on water levels and flow in the creek and lagoon.
2. Contact the Central Coast Wetlands Group to find out whether their monitoring of stage in San Simeon Creek lagoon is still active and will continue through the anticipated WRF operational period. CCWG is located in Moss Landing. The contact person is Kevin O'Connor, Program Manager. (831) 771-4495 (office). E-mail: [koconnor@mlml.calstate.edu](mailto:koconnor@mlml.calstate.edu)
3. Start the monitoring program detailed in **Table 2**. The table lists the variables to be monitored and the monitoring frequency for the periods leading up to and during WRF operation.

The “continuous” measurements recommended in the table are assumed to use a pressure transducer with data logger, such as the HOBO® Water Level Loggers currently deployed in the four piezometers near the percolation ponds. Measurements of beach berm width at the ocean end of the lagoon are recommended because the width of the berm can gradually increase during the dry season, and it affects lagoon level and outflow. Those measurements can best be obtained from drone aerial photography.

**Table 2. Monitoring Program Locations, Variables and Measurement Frequencies**

Start Date for Monitoring Phase	Starting at Least 2 Months Before WRF Operation <sup>1</sup>	SS-4 to 9P2 Gradient Will Decline to 0.75 ft within 3 Weeks	Comments
<b>WRF Status</b>	<b>Off</b>	<b>On</b>	
<b>Water Levels</b>			
16D1	Biweekly	Weekly	To compare with historical record as means of detecting impact.
MW4	Continuous	Continuous	This well near 16D1 may be tidally influenced. Continuous measurements by data logger are needed to detect tidal fluctuations so they can be subtracted from the measurement record to reveal any 9P7 pumping drawdown.
SS-3, SS-4, 9P2	Continuous	Continuous	SS-3 will be idle when WRF is injecting, so it will have relatively reliable water levels. All of these wells will be influenced by nearby pumping well on/off cycles, so continuous HOBO records will be more accurate. SS-4 and 9P2 define the gradient that is the primary criterion for WRF operation.
Four piezometers in percolation area	Continuous	Continuous	Continuous recording with loggers when WRF turns on will confirm the spread of drawdown from 9P7 and whether it reaches San Simeon Creek.
San Simeon Creek pools (e.g. Van Gordon and red-legged)	Biweekly	Weekly	Install staff plates in the pools at the start of monitoring. Remove prior to the next high flow season.
Lagoon	Continuous	Continuous	Obtain data from Central Coast Wetlands Group, or deploy a separate water level data logger.
<b>Flows</b>			
Pumping at SS-1, SS-2 and SS-3	Weekly	Weekly	Many of these flows have hourly and daily variations that would be attenuated to average rates by the time any effects reached the creek or lagoon. Evaluation of more frequent pumping subtotals is not necessary.
Warren pumping	Weekly	Weekly	Weekly volume is sufficiently frequent. Well is metered.
Pumping at 9P7	Weekly	Hourly to Weekly	When the WRF is first turned on, monitor the pumping rate at 9P7 hourly for the first 12 hours, and at the beginning, middle and end of each operational cycle for the next week. This is to support aquifer test analysis in conjunction with piezometer water levels. Thereafter, weekly pumping subtotals are sufficient.
Wastewater percolation	Weekly	Weekly	Weekly volume is sufficiently frequent. Record which pond receives the water.
WRF lagoon discharge	n.a.	Weekly	Weekly volume and instantaneous rate when operating.
San Simeon Creek at campground bridge (or nearby upper end of lagoon)	Biweekly	Weekly	Instantaneous flow, in cubic feet per second. Inflow may consist of a barely visible trickle entering ponded conditions in the lagoon. Measurement by pygmy meter would not likely be feasible. An alternative such as salt dilution may be needed.
<b>Other</b>			
Drone air photos of beach berm	Montly	Monthly	Preferably taken at similar tide levels. Altitude of drone needs to be high enough to include fixed objects (such as outcrops, Highway 1) that can be used to georeference and overlay successive photos.

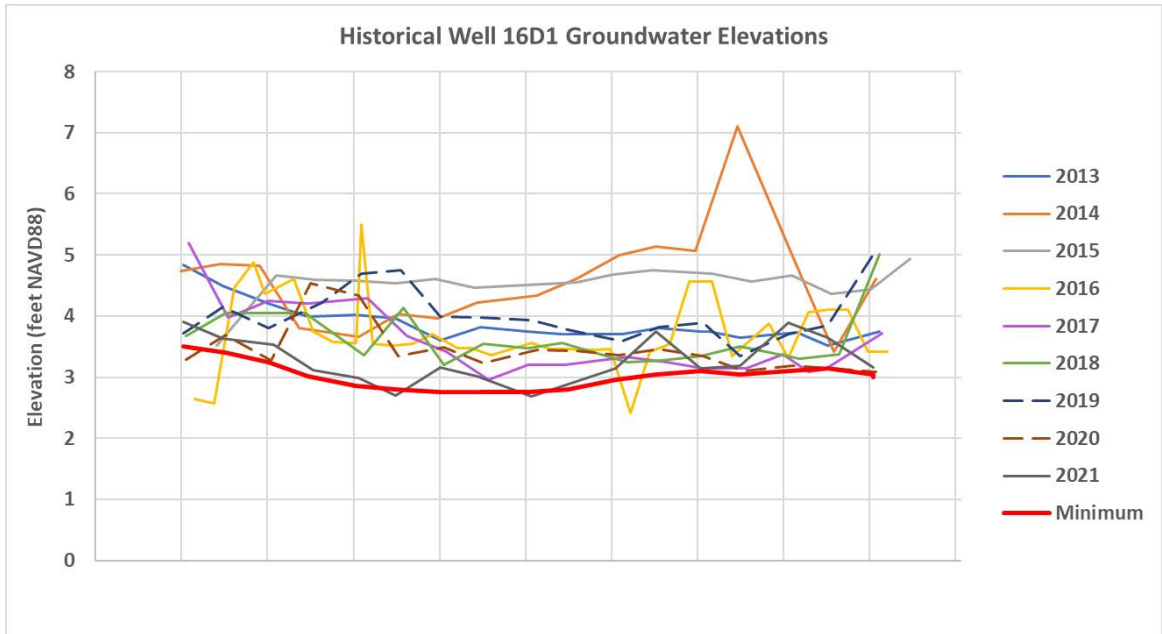
Notes:

<sup>1</sup> WRF operation can be anticipated to start around September 1 in years when the dry season starts before May 1 or when a Stage 4, 5 or 6 Water Shortage Condition has been declared.

## Routine Data Analysis

The general approach to detecting impacts on creek and lagoon water levels and flows is to plot time series of those variables to identify departures from normal seasonal trends that commence after the WRF is turned on. Comparison with time series plots of other variables will indicate whether WRF operation caused the change in water levels and flows. Step by step instructions are as follows:

1. Create time series graphs of all monitored variables so that trends and changes in trends can be seen. Update the graphs with new data as they are obtained. If there appears to be a new or increased downward trend in the water level at well 16D1, in creek pool water levels or in stream flow entering the top of the lagoon, continue to step 2.
2. Download and plot the continuous water level data from well MW4 to confirm whether the trend is also present in that well (if it's a real trend, it should be). Otherwise, the apparent trend at 16D1 and the pools could be an artifact of tidal noise in the weekly measurements.
3. Compare the 16D1 water level hydrograph with the historical range of water levels at that well, which is shown in **Figure 3**. For more exact comparison, dates and elevations defining the line that bounds the lower end of the historical range are listed in **Table 3**. For context, there has been a long-term declining trend in 16D1 water levels since about 2002 correlated with and probably caused by decreased percolation volumes at the nearby wastewater percolation ponds (Todd Groundwater, 2019). Thus, low water levels specifically associated with the period of WRF operation are more diagnostic than low water levels in general.



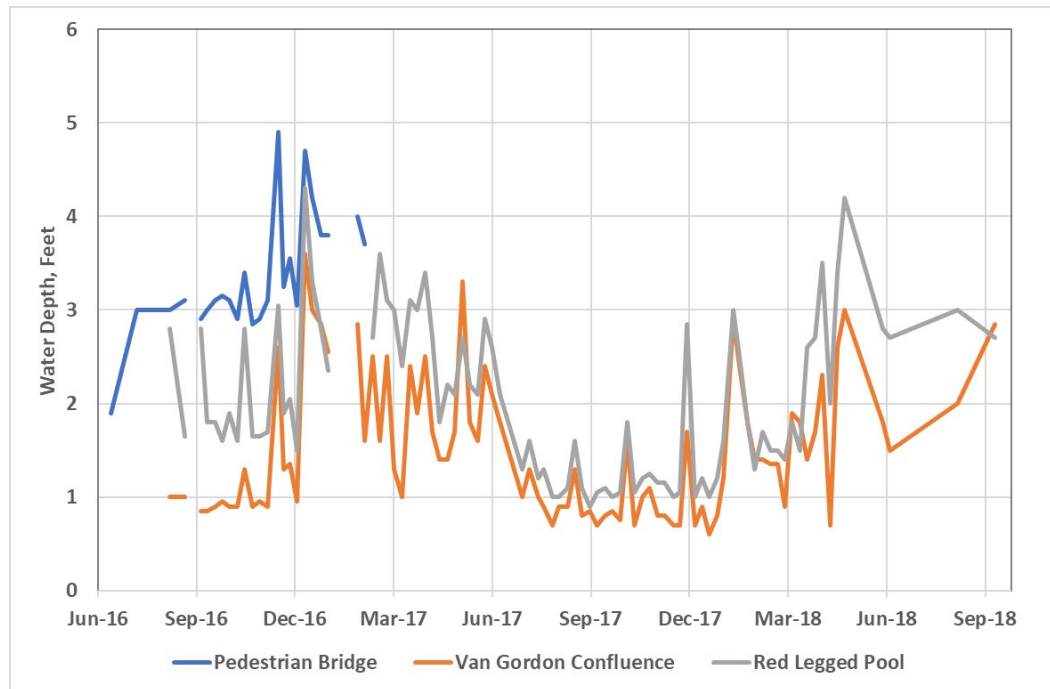
**Figure 3. Historical Dry Season Water Levels at Well 16D1**



**Table 3. Historical Minimum Dry-Season Water Levels at Well 16D1**

Date	Julian Day	Elevation (ft NAVD88)
Apr 1	91	3.50
Apr 15	106	3.40
May 1	121	3.25
My 15	135	3.02
Jun 1	152	2.85
Jun 15	166	2.80
Jul 1	182	2.75
Jul 15	196	2.75
Aug 1	213	2.75
Aug 15	227	2.80
Sep 1	244	2.95
Sep 15	258	3.05
Oct 1	274	3.10
Oct 15	288	3.05
Nov 1	305	3.10
Nov 15	319	3.15
Dec 1	335	3.05
Dec 15	335	3.00

4. Compare the creek pool water level hydrographs with hydrographs from previous years to assess whether current declines appear unusual. Biological monitoring reports from prior years have shown relatively stable pool depths during the dry season, as illustrated by the hydrographs for the Van Gordon and Red Legged pools during 2017 in **Figure 4**. The temporary upward spikes in water levels in August, October and December coincided with spikes in lagoon level and probably resulted from wave overwash at the beach berm.



**Figure 4. Water Levels in San Simeon Creek Pools, 2016-2018**

5. If the changes in trends in well 16D1, well MW4, creek pool levels and lagoon inflow appear real, compare those hydrographs with the time series plots for variables that could cause a change in water levels:
  - a. Wastewater percolation volumes
  - b. 9P7 pumping
  - c. Warren pumping
  - d. Beach berm width
  - e. SS-4 to 9P2 gradient
  - f. CCSD well field pumping
  - g. Piezometer water levels (rate of radial spread of drawdown around 9P7)

The features to look for are a significant change in magnitude of any of those variables that occurred shortly before the observed decline in MW4 water level, such as an increase in pumping at 9P7, 9P4 (Warren) or the CCSD well field, a decrease in beach berm width, a change in the wastewater percolation location, or a decrease in the SS-4 to 9P2 gradient.

6. If it appears that accelerated decline in water levels and/or inflow at the top end of the lagoon may be caused by WRF operation, increase the lagoon discharge rate by an amount approximately equal to the reduction in lagoon inflow.
7. Repeat steps 1-6 again every 2 weeks and adjust lagoon discharge as needed.

8. Monitoring may be discontinued when stream flow resumes in winter and WRF operation ceases.
9. In subsequent years of WRF operation, monitoring is not needed as long as groundwater conditions at the time WRF is turned on are similar to those during the initial year. Aquifer characteristics and stream-aquifer interaction do not change over time. New monitoring would be needed only if operating conditions are significantly different than during the first year, such as substantial increases in WRF production, CCSD well field pumping, agricultural pumping or decreases in wastewater percolation.

### **Additional Analysis for First Year of WRF Operation**

After the first month of WRF operation, the 9P7 pumping data and water-level data for the percolation pond piezometers should be analyzed to quantify the magnitude and spread of drawdown around that well. By applying the Theis Equation for drawdown around a pumping well, the arrival time of drawdown at creek pools and the upper end of the lagoon can be calculated. The extent to which wastewater percolation in Pond A blocks the spread of drawdown in that direction can also be calculated. Finally, the percent of 9P7 pumping derived from storage depletion versus stream flow depletion can be estimated. All of these calculations reveal whether 9P7 pumping is impacting pools in the creek or the lagoon.

This analysis does not need to be repeated in future years unless WRF operation is significantly greater in terms of pumping rate or duration.

### **REFERENCES CITED**

Todd Groundwater. March 22, 2022. Simulated effects of water reclamation facility operation. Technical memorandum prepared for Cambria Community Services District, Cambria, CA.

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## **Attachment 3**

### **Summary of Responses to Comments on the Draft San Simeon Creek Instream Flows Assessment Report**

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**Table 3-1.** Responses to comments received on the Draft San Simeon Creek Instream Flow Study.

Comment #	Commenter Name/Affiliation (Date)	Comment	Response
1	Tom Luster/ California Coastal Commission (Jan. 23, 2023)	The draft report notes that project pumping under certain conditions is likely to reduce habitat quality and quantity. It describes these reductions as fairly minimal—e.g., a two-day reduction in the suitable period for juvenile steelhead migration – however, it appears that the project could result in greater adverse effects if some additional project-related or streamflow characteristics were included in the analysis. These include 1) the range of expected project extraction rates; 2) effects of nearby well extractions; and 3) no analysis of the effects of delayed streamflow “rebound.”	<p>The final San Simeon Instream Flows Assessment report was revised to include expanded analyses of juvenile fish passage conditions under the following pumping rates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A total combined pumping rate of 1.85 cubic feet per second (cfs) based on the maximum Cambria Community Services District (CCSD) pumping rate of 1.43 cfs plus the Pedotti private well pumping rate of 0.42 cfs;</li> <li>2. 1.43-cfs pumping rate based on the maximum CCSD pumping rate;</li> <li>3. 1.06-cfs pumping rate based on the upper end of CCSD’s average daily pumping rate of 0.64 cfs plus the Pedotti private well pumping rate of 0.42 cfs; and</li> <li>4. 0.64-cfs pumping rates, which is the upper end of the average daily CCSD pumping rate.</li> </ol> <p>The private groundwater pumps in the lower end of the study reach are downstream of the well field and are not expected to influence passage conditions because of their location in watershed, and is supported by the results groundwater modeling (Yates 2022); therefore, the extraction from these pumps is not included in the assessment.</p> <p>Part 3 of this comment inquires whether groundwater depletion by CCSD pumping during the dry season increases stream percolation losses when flow first resumes the following winter and thereby delays the start of the passage opportunity for migrating adult steelhead. Based on multiple flow measurements</p>

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			<p>collected during a large storm event that initiated flow in San Simeon Creek on December 23–26, 1988, percolation losses along the creek at the start of the flow event were approximately 25 cfs and decreased to 2.2 cfs by December 27, 1988. The decrease in percolation over the 4-day period suggests that groundwater levels in the basin recovered within four days following the onset of surface flows during this event. The minimum flow required for adult up-migration has been estimated to be 67.5 cfs based on surveys of several riffles along the creek (D.W. Alley &amp; Associates 1992). Because of the high magnitude of flows required for adult migration in lower San Simeon Creek, and the rate of surface loss during the onset of surface flow, groundwater “rebound” is not expected to have a significant effect on adult migration conditions.</p>
2	<p>Tom Luster/ California Coastal Commission (Jan. 23, 2023)</p>	<p>It is not clear what pumping rate(s) served as the basis for the analysis. The draft report mentions that the CCSD expects an average extraction rate of 0.6 cfs, though it also mentions that pumping could occur at rates ranging from 0.41 to 1.43 cfs. It is not clear whether the analysis evaluated the expected effects from just the average extraction rate or from the full range of extraction rates. It is also not clear how these different extraction rates could result in different effects depending on their timing and streamflow conditions at the time of extraction – e.g., a high extraction rate in summer when streamflow and aquifer levels are declining versus that same rate during winter high flows. We recommend the analysis be modified to address these issues.</p>	<p>The final San Simeon Instream Flows Assessment report was revised to include additional analysis of juvenile fish passage conditions over an expanded range of extraction rates including the maximum CCSD extraction rate of 1.43 cfs, as described in the previous comment. In addition to the juvenile steelhead passage assessment, the study also evaluated the potential impacts to juvenile steelhead rearing habitat from CCSD’s operations. An Incremental Flow Instream Flow Methodology (IFIM) was used along with a one-dimensional (1D) model developed for the Study Reach to identify flows that are critical for supporting juvenile steelhead rearing in the Study Area. Based on the results of the model, 1.0 cfs was identified as the critical flow. To be protective of the 1.0-cfs flow, Stillwater Sciences assumed maximum district pump</p>

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			<p>rates (1.43 cfs) could relate to direct surface flow loss (e.g., CCSD groundwater pumping of 1.43 cfs = direct loss of surface flow of 1.43 cfs) and concluded that CCSD pumping could affect habitat conditions for juvenile rearing steelhead when stream flows are at 2.5 cfs (2.5 cfs = 1.0 cfs flow for juvenile rearing plus 1.43 cfs maximum pumping rate rounded up to nearest 0.1 cfs). The assessment includes pumping at the maximum rate and the flow threshold is for any time of year, capturing pumping at the highest extraction rate during the summer, as well as during the winter, spring, and fall.</p>
3	<p>Tom Luster/ California Coastal Commission (Jan. 23, 2023)</p>	<p>The report (at page 10) notes that the CCSD operates three groundwater wells along Lower San Simeon Creek and provides their expected extraction rates. It also notes that there are several agricultural wells in the area, though it does not describe how or whether their effects were evaluated in the study. Of particular importance is Well 9P2, which is less than 100 feet from one of the CCSD wells and is operated in part through an agreement between CCSD and a nearby property owner. Well 9P2 can extract at up to 275 gallons per minute, which is roughly the same rate at the CCSD’s average 0.6 cfs rate. When Well 9P2 is operating concurrently with nearby CCSD wells, it appears likely that there would be cumulative adverse effects on streamflow and that the combined operations could increase those adverse effects substantially. We recommend that the report be modified to incorporate allowable extractions from Well 9P2 into the analysis.</p>	<p>The expanded groundwater modeling effort conducted by Gus Yates in 2022 indicates that groundwater levels in this location appear to be stabilized by the Simeon Creek Lagoon connection to the groundwater basin. Furthermore, the report focuses on the effect of CCSD operations, but it does not provide recommendations for the groundwater extraction by private wells, which are not under CCSD’s control.</p>



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4	Tom Luster/ California Coastal Commission (Jan. 23, 2023)	The report describes some of the streamflow drawdowns expected from the facility’s groundwater extraction, but it doesn’t identify the effects associated with delayed streamflow “rebound” from facility pumping. That is, it describes the “front end” of the effects when extraction reduces streamflows but doesn’t evaluate the “back end” additional recovery time it would take for the late summer/autumn lower aquifer levels to increase sufficiently to allow for renewed streamflows.	Surface flow rebound following the dry season is discussed above under comment #1.
5	Tom Luster/ California Coastal Commission (Jan. 23, 2023)	Streamflow data and expected flow rates: The report’s Section 3.3.3 notes that flow rates were based on data collected from two locations between 1972 and 2001 and that the models were calibrated based on those rates. It is not clear why the report didn’t use more recent data – for example, a 2014 CCSD report used stream gauge data from up through 2013 (see CDM Smith, San Simeon Creek Basin Groundwater Modeling Report, May 2014). It’s also not clear how applicable the 1972-2001 data may be to expected future conditions in the San Simeon Basin – e.g., more extreme precipitation events due to climate change. It would be useful for the report to either incorporate more recent stream gauge data or provide the reasoning for why it isn’t being used. It would also be helpful to identify predicted changes in precipitation and describe how those would affect San Simeon’s streamflow and habitat values. This may be particularly important, given the report’s apparent acknowledgement (on page 42) that older data may not adequately reflect current watershed conditions.	<p>The final San Simeon Instream Flows Assessment report was revised to clarify that the best available data on streamflow was used to prepare the report. The Palmer Flats gage (formerly County Gage #14) located at the upstream end of the Study Area only covered the period from October 1970 through September 1995, after which point the gage was discontinued. A gage near the CCSD well field (County Gage #718, formerly County Gage #22) was operated from October 1987 through February 2003, after which San Luis Obispo County ceased maintaining the rating curve and the gage only recorded stage levels.</p> <p>The final report includes a recommendation to monitor streamflow to help understand future flow conditions in the watershed as they may relate to climate change and CCSD’s pumping operations.</p>

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6	Tom Luster/ California Coastal Commission (Jan. 23, 2023)	Section 3.5 describes three assumptions used in the assessment of juvenile steelhead migration. One of them – that CCSD pumping occurs at 0.6 cfs during the April-May migration season – does not appear adequate to fully characterize the project’s potential effects. We recommend the report be modified to apply the full range of expected extraction rates to the analysis.	The analysis for juvenile steelhead migration was expanded to include four extraction scenarios as follows: (1) the upper end of the average daily pumping rate of 0.60 cfs by CCSD; (2) the upper end of the average daily pumping rate of 0.60 cfs by CCSD plus the estimated maximum pumping rate of 0.42 cfs by the Pedotti private well for a total of 1.02 cfs; (3) the maximum extraction capacity of 1.43 cfs by CCSD; and (4) the maximum extraction capacity of 1.43 cfs by CCSD plus the estimated maximum pumping rate of 0.42 cfs by the Pedotti private well for a total of 1.86 cfs.

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7	Tom Luster/ California Coastal Commission (Jan. 23, 2023)	Section 4 notes that field surveys to conduct stream habitat typing were conducted between December 2021 and July 2022, with the report’s flow analyses then applied to the identified habitat types – e.g., riffles, pools, etc. The seven-month survey period omits late summer, which may not be of concern during times when streamflow is non-existent, but it also omits the return of streamflow in autumn, which could be an important period for adult steelhead upstream migration as well as steelhead incubation. This omission, along with the concern above about the potential delay in streamflow “rebound,” may result in the report underestimating the project’s effects on steelhead.	Habitat surveys and IFIM surveys were conducted over a range of targeted stream flows. The targeted flows were selected to assess conditions when surface flows that are most likely to be influenced by CCSD operations were present to calibrate the model to simulate habitat conditions over a wide range of flows. Additional surveys targeting different seasons would not change the model results because the model uses physical habitat features (e.g. cross-section topography and channel gradient), which are not affected by seasonal changes in flow. Model simulations included conditions with flows ranging from 0 cfs to 7.6 cfs, when CCSD operations are likely to have the greatest effect on aquatic habitat. The potential delay in surface flow rebound is discussed above under comment #1.
8	Tom Luster/ California Coastal Commission (Jan. 23, 2023)	The report’s Section 6 suggests the CCSD conduct long-term stream flow monitoring at and near the CCSD’s well field to better characterize flows. We recommend the report describe whether any of these monitoring efforts are occurring (or when they are scheduled to occur) and identify how any data collected from these monitoring efforts will be used to further calibrate the modeling conducted to date or to “ground truth” current modeling results.	Section 6, <i>Long-term Monitoring</i> , of the final San Simeon Instream Flows Assessment report was revised to clarify that Stillwater Sciences recommends long-term monitoring to provide information about the effects of CCSD’s pumping operations on sensitive aquatic species and their habitat in lower San Simeon Creek and to enable CCSD to operate in a way that minimizes impacts to these aquatic species because no such monitoring is currently being conducted. The System for Environmental Flow Analysis (SEFA) model used for the IFIM component of the instream flow study allowed Stillwater Sciences to determine that under flows between 0 and 2.5 cfs, habitat conditions are most sensitive to CCSD pumping activities. The SEFA model was fully calibrated using standardized methods. Long-term flow monitoring will enable CCSD to determine when sensitive flows (i.e., flows

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			between 0 and 2.5 cfs) are occurring in real time and use that information to manage operations to be protect steelhead.
9	Tom Luster/ California Coastal Commission (Mar. 6, 2023)	Re: location of project components in sensitive habitat - underpinning our evaluation is the ongoing and unresolved nonconformity of having project elements (and former project elements, such as the evaporation basin) located within ESHA. We are about to get to Year 9 of the project being located in sensitive habitat without mitigation and without a determination about feasible alternative locations.	This comment is outside the scope of the instream flow study.

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10	Schani Siong/ SLO County (Mar. 2, 2023)	<p>The County agrees that it would be a good idea to broaden the scope of the analysis to show a range of pumping within all seasons to analyze the potential impacts during those different scenarios. The study mentions that higher reduction of suitable migration days for juvenile steelhead may occur if pumping rates are above the daily average rate of 0.6 cfs assumed for the analysis. The analysis should include information that would account for worst case scenario (highest 1.43 cfs pumping rate) to fully understand the full extent of impacts. <i>If there is desire not to incur additional impacts beyond analyzed thresholds in this IFS— provide information on how operation will avoid doing so.</i></p>	<p>The analysis of juvenile steelhead migration was expanded to include four extraction scenarios: (1) the upper end of the average daily pumping rate of 0.60 cfs by CCSD; (2) the upper end of the average daily pumping rate of 0.60 cfs by CCSD plus the estimated maximum pumping rate 0.42 cfs by the Pedotti private well for a total of 1.02 cfs; (3) the maximum extraction capacity of 1.43 cfs by CCSD; and (4) the maximum extraction capacity of 1.43 cfs by CCSD plus the estimated maximum pumping rate of 0.42 cfs by the Pedotti private well for a total of 1.86 cfs.</p> <p>The maximum pumping rate of 1.43 by CCSD plus the estimated maximum pumping rate of 0.42 cfs by the Pedotti private well may lead to a reduction in juvenile passage days at the 4-cfs threshold; however, CCSD’s pumping at the daily average rate of 0.60 cfs shows very little effect on juvenile passage conditions.</p>
11	Schani Siong/ SLO County (Mar. 2, 2023)	<p>As part of the CDP review, the County must make required LCP findings for SRA and ESHA that CCSD have identified mitigation measures to lessen impacts to sensitive resources and species to maximum extent. For example, CCSD have been advised to incorporate a rescue and relocation protocol as part of the project. At what point would the rescue and relocation protocol be initiated? What does that look like and who are the responsible entities? Avoidance and minimization measures should be detailed out for identified impact, duration of impact, and responsible parties should be developed as part of the AMP.</p>	<p>Detailed recommendations are provided in separate technical memoranda that include avoidance and minimization measures along with annual reporting to the Technical Advisory Committee to evaluate the effectiveness of avoidance and minimization measures. Fish rescue and relocation efforts were discussed with California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Regional Biologist Zach Crumb, who indicated that CDFW would lead any fish rescue and relocation efforts.</p>

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12	Schani Siong/ SLO County (Mar. 2, 2023)	<p>SRA Findings:                      e. Required findings: Any land use permit application within a Sensitive Resource Area shall be approved only where the Review Authority can make the following required findings:                      (1) The development will not create significant adverse effects on the natural features of the site or vicinity that were the basis for the Sensitive Resource Area designation, and will preserve and protect such features through the site design.                      (2) Natural features and topography have been considered in the design and siting of all proposed physical improvements.                      (3) Any proposed clearing of topsoil, trees, or other features is the minimum necessary to achieve safe and convenient access and siting of proposed structures, and will not create significant adverse effects on the identified sensitive resource.                      (4) The soil and subsoil conditions are suitable for any proposed excavation; site preparation and drainage improvements have been designed to prevent soil erosion, and sedimentation of streams through undue surface runoff.</p>	This comment is outside the scope of the instream flow study.
13	Schani Siong/ SLO County (Mar. 2, 2023)	<p>ESHA Findings:                      b. Required findings: Approval of a land use permit for a project within or adjacent to an Environmentally Sensitive Habitat shall not occur unless the applicable review body first finds that:                      (1) There will be no significant negative impact on the identified sensitive habitat and the proposed use will be consistent with the biological continuance of the habitat.</p>	This comment is outside the scope of the instream flow study.

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		(2) The proposed use will not significantly disrupt the habitat.	
14	Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)	It might be helpful to readers to understand that the CCSD commenced its San Simeon diversions in 1979, that no supplemental water from Santa Rosa Creek was needed until 1984 and that in 1984, 1985, and 1986, Santa Rosa Creek underflow had to be used to supplement San Simeon supply (McClelland Engineers 1987).	It is not clear how this historical operation is relevant to current management. CCSD's water rights allow up to 370 acre-feet of dry-season extraction from the San Simeon River basin and up to 155 acre-feet from the Santa Rosa Basin, and CCSD operates within these limits.
15	Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)	Is the intent of the report to provide an instream flow assessment that evaluates impacts of the WRF facility during Stage 3 droughts only, the operation of the WRF across a range of water year types, or the operation of all CCSD pumping activities across a range of water year types?	The intent of the San Simeon Instream Flows Assessment is to assess the effects of CCSD operations on aquatic habitat in lower San Simeon Creek, identify sensitive flows for aquatic species, and develop long-term monitoring to inform CCSD operations and allow CCSD to operate in a way that minimizes impacts to sensitive aquatic species.
16	Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)	In Study Goals and Objectives (Section 2.3, page 11), the following statement is made, “The analysis focuses on drought periods when the WRF would likely be operated and when potential ecological impacts would be most severe.” It is unclear if this refers to Task 1 (instream flow assessment) or Task 2. Based on language used throughout the study and in the conclusions, it seems the instream flow assessment is intended to cover all CCSD operations including existing operations. If this is the case, then an expanded instream flow assessment is needed— for example to inform the potential impact CCSD	The has been revised to clarify that the statement about analysis being focused on drought years is referring to Task 2 (Groundwater Modeling). The instream flow study covered under Task 1 applies to all CCSD operations in San Simeon Creek basin because it identifies streamflows that are protective of aquatic species in lower San Simeon Creek. The report specifies that a streamflow of 1.0 cfs is required to provide juvenile steelhead rearing habitat based on the instream flow study and incorporates the range of CCSD extraction rates that have a maximum capacity of 1.43 cfs to a protective flow



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		operations has on habitat in lower San Simeon Creek in wetter years.	level of 2.5 cfs (approximately 1.0 cfs plus 1.43 cfs) These results are independent of water year types.
17	Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)	CCSD operations, and their potential impacts to aquatic habitats, began in 1979. Section 2.2 (Operations Information) only presents CCSD operational data starting in 2012. The operations summary does not provide an overview of CCSD operation since 1979, nor how operations or their impacts have changed over time, nor the potential impact of existing operations on flow data utilized in the study.	The final San Simeon Instream Flows Assessment report includes CCSD operational data from the last 10 years to provide a representative summary of CCSD operations in the watershed. Historical operations and changes in operations over time were not the focus of the study, rather Stillwater Sciences assessed (1) the range of CCSD groundwater extraction rates from the lower average pumping rate of 0.41 cfs to the maximum pumping rate of 1.43 cfs and (2) how that range of extraction would affect aquatic habitat over a range of surface flows in the study area. All available streamflow data were used to evaluate the frequency of specific surface flows in the Study Area, but the key flows (i.e., 1.0 cfs) identified in the study remain static for informing CCSD operations to be protective of steelhead rearing conditions.
18	Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)	The cumulative impact from existing water uses including historical CCSD operations and impacts of senior water rights upstream of CCSD should be acknowledged and integrated into the report.	Impacts from the Pedotti private well were included in the assessment of impacts to juvenile migration conditions. The Warren pumps are downstream of well field and not expected to influence passage based on location in watershed and groundwater modeling (Yates 2022). The recommendation of

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			<p>establishing and maintaining a stream flow gage at the location of the county gage, which currently only records stage, is included in the report to inform future CCSD operations. Streamflow data at this location would capture any influence on surface flows from the Warren wells.</p>
19	<p>Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)</p>	<p>If there is sufficient data, flow statistics and conclusions about flow patterns could be made distinct for two different periods in San Simeon Creek.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Stream flows before 1979 (the first year CCSD began diverting from the Creek)</li> <li>b. Stream flows from 1979 onward (active period of CCSD diversions)</li> </ul>	<p>There are not sufficient flow data to identify flow patterns between pre-CCSD operations and post-CCSD operations. The San Simeon Gage only covers from 1987–2003, which is after CCSD operations began, and although some data from the Palmer Flats Gage (1971–1995) provide some data; the data are for only 8 years before and 15 after 1979 and are limited for this type of comparison. In addition, the Palmer Flats Gage is located at the upstream end of the groundwater basin and is less likely to provide representative information about CCSD pumping operations.</p>
20	<p>Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)</p>	<p>If this is not possible, the historical operations and their potential impacts on flow data should be acknowledged.</p>	<p>The final San Simeon Instream Flows Assessment report primarily relies on data from the Palmer Flats Gage. As discussed in the final report, this gage is located at the upstream end of the groundwater basin and thus is not likely to see a strong influence from CCSD pumping operations.</p>
21	<p>Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)</p>	<p>Given the importance of historical flow data, all flow collection methods need to be explained, and flow data (including rating curves) should be published as an appendix if not publicly available elsewhere (in which case references are needed).</p>	<p>Mean daily flow data for each stream gage were used to characterize flow conditions for the final San Simeon Instream Flows Assessment Report. These data have been included as an appendix to the final report. Additional detailed flow data for the watershed could not be located.</p>

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22	Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)	Page 4. While it is true that San Simeon is flashy like other streams, this does not mean that the extent of temporal and spatial intermittent trends is natural. Rather as stated in Yates & Konyenburg (1998) flows in this reach have been impacted by existing land and water management practices. Please acknowledge and edit language throughout the report as appropriate.	This statement has revised in the final San Simeon Instream Flows Assessment report to acknowledge that groundwater pumping (municipal and agricultural) likely increases the extent and frequency of intermittent flows above natural levels.
23	Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)	Page 4, last sentence that lower San Simeon is dry “to the Lagoon” is vague, please be specific.	The final San Simeon Instream Flows Assessment report was revised to clarify that the dry section of San Simeon Creek often extends to just downstream of Van Gordon Creek.
24	Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)	Page 19, Section 3.3.3. Paragraph 2. More information about the rating curves and sampling intervals at Palmer Flats and Gage #718 is needed.	See response to comment 21.

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25	Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)	<p>Page 21, Section 3.4, Paragraph 1. “Palmer Flats is located just upstream of the San Simeon Creek groundwater basin and is not affected by groundwater pumping.”</p> <p>Please cite data or a report for this. Regardless of groundwater basin delineation, data from wells 27S/8E-10G1 and 10G2 appear to show seasonal declines that would be consistent with pumping influence (Yates &amp; Konyenburg 1998)2. Subsequent statements about how Palmer Flats represents the maximum potential surface flow is thus also called into question by this data. This also applies to Section 4.3 Paragraph 1.</p>	<p>This comment questions whether the Palmer Flats Gage was in fact upstream of the influence of groundwater pumping. The gage was located at the San Simeon Creek Road Bridge 600 feet downstream of the confluence with Steiner Creek. That location is near the upstream end of the groundwater basin and 1,390 feet upstream of the nearest water supply well (Pedotti irrigation well 27S/8E-11C1). Previous reports going back to Yates and Van Konynenburg (1998) have considered the Palmer Flats gaged flows to represent surface inflow to the basin, and that assumption was reasonable for most purposes. Geologic maps show alluvium extending about 1 mile farther up San Simeon Creek and Steiner Creek (for example, Dibblee and Minch 2007). Although the alluvium is narrower and, undoubtedly shallower upstream of the gage, it would still be capable of conveying water via the subsurface. Natural stream percolation would likely be relatively high upstream of the gage because sediments at the apex of alluvial fans tend to be relatively coarse. There could be additional percolation upstream of the gage caused by pumping at 11C1 during April–May, but it is probably negligible for several reasons. First, the irrigation season does not usually get underway until April, and when the well starts pumping, most of the water comes from storage as the cone of depression expands outward. It would take days to weeks to extend as far as the gage location. Second, well 11C1 is only about 100 feet from the channel of San Simeon Creek. When flow is present in the creek, any percolation induced by pumping would be along the reach closest to the well. When it was drilled in 1977, the well was tested at 250 gallons per minute,</p>

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			which equals 0.57 cfs. Channel percolation between the gage and the well (and an equal distance downstream) could supply most or all of that flow rate.
26	Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)	<p>Page 30, Section 4.3, Paragraph 1. “Note that flows at Palmer Flats during the spring and summer are generally expected to be higher than flows within the Study Area...”</p> <p>It should also be acknowledged that good passage conditions at Palmer Flats do not always result in passage conditions in the lower reaches.</p>	The description of the methods used for juvenile steelhead passage assessment provided in Section 3.5 of the final San Simeon Instream Flows Assessment report was revised to clarify Stillwater Science’s approach and to acknowledge that fish passage conditions at Palmer Flats are not necessarily the same as passage conditions.
27	Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)	<p>Page 42, Section 5, Paragraph 3. This paragraph should explain why the creek’s intermittency in the lower reaches should cause the EWD analysis points to be moved upstream near Steiner Creek.</p> <p>Is the lower reach unsuitable for EWD analysis because of natural conditions or because of human impacts or both?</p>	The lower reach is unsuitable for an analysis of Environmental Water Demand (EWD) because it is naturally intermittent and EWD analysis was intended for locations with perennial flows.
28	Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)	<p>Page 42, Section 5, Paragraph 3. Is “natural groundwater losses” the correct term here?</p> <p>The cause of natural groundwater loss is natural subsurface drainage out to sea. The rest of groundwater losses are not natural and are caused by pumping water out for human uses. This sentence should include an acknowledgement of the fact that some proportion of groundwater losses are also anthropogenic.</p>	<p>The final San Simeon Instream Flows Assessment report was revised to address this comment. The sentence no longer uses the phrase “natural groundwater losses,” and has been revised as follows:</p> <p>“...the lowermost analysis points used in the EWD study (Stillwater Sciences 2014) should be relocated upstream of the groundwater basin to the confluence of Steiner Creek or adjusted to reflect the-intermittent flow conditions in lower San Simeon Creek.</p>

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29	Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)	<p>Page 42, Section 5, Paragraph 5. “CCSD pumping operations have the potential to reduce the amount and quality of juvenile steelhead rearing habitat within the Study Area at flows less than 2.5 cfs”</p> <p>Please specify at what point(s) along the creek this 2.5 cfs threshold is relevant. When flow is 2.5 cfs at Palmer Flats?</p>	<p>This threshold is relevant throughout the entire length of Reach 1 of the Study Area where 1D modeling surveys were conducted. The location of the current county gage would serve as the best indicator for these flows; however, that gage only records stage elevation and lacks a current stage discharge rating curve to convert measurements to flow. The final San Simeon Instream Flows Assessment Report includes a recommendation for developing and maintaining a rating curve for the county gage to inform CCSD operations to be protective of steelhead.</p>
30	Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)	<p>Page 42 first sentence: “The lower reach of San Simeon Creek in the absence of CCSD pumping operations potentially provides migratory and rearing habitat for steelhead in the winter and spring and is typically dry during the summer and fall. This reach would only provide steelhead rearing habitat during the dry season infrequently”</p> <p>Please indicate the specific reach that is dry under existing land and water management conditions – from Palmer to the footbridge? In all water year types? For example, this sentence might read “Limited data is available to assess natural flow conditions in San Simeon Creek. However, based on the geology and similar watersheds, some portion of lower San Simeon Creek was likely historically intermittent. Under existing land and water management practices, the lower reach of San Simeon Creek typically provides migratory and rearing habitat for steelhead in the winter and spring and it dries out in the summer and fall from Palmer Flats to one mile upstream of the lagoon.”</p>	<p>Section 5, <i>Conclusions</i>, of the final San Simeon Instream Flows Assessment report was revised to clarify which section of lower San Simeon goes dry and how that conclusion was formed. The text was revised as follows:</p> <p>“The lower reach of San Simeon Creek provides potential migratory and rearing habitat for steelhead in the winter and spring, and this habitat often becomes constrained during the late spring and disappears during the summer and fall when surface flows cease. Available stream flow data at Palmer Flats Gage (1970 to 1995) and County Gage #718 (1987 to 2003) indicate that most of lower San Simeon Creek within the Study Area (from the Palmer Flats Gage downstream to approximately the confluence with Van Gordon Creek) would naturally (i.e., without CCSD groundwater pumping) go dry for extended periods during the summer through fall of most years.”</p>

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31	Steph Wald and Tim Delany/ Creek Lands Conservation (Mar. 17, 2023)	Page 43, Section 6.1, Paragraph 1: The recommendation to collect additional flow data at Palmer Flats is good, but the comment above (Page 21, Section 3.4) about the non-influence of groundwater pumping at this location suggests that going somewhat further upstream (perhaps on both Steiner and upper San Simeon) could be a better way to monitor inflows to the groundwater basin. There is a water right in the vicinity of Palmer Flats that could influence surface water levels at this site when water is being pumped. Reported flow rate for the well associated with this water right is 300 gpm (0.67 cfs).	The Palmer Flats Gage was located at the San Simeon Creek Road Bridge 600 feet downstream of the confluence with Steiner Creek. That location is near the upstream end of the groundwater basin. Previous reports going back to Yates and Van Konynenburg (1998) have considered the gaged flows to represent surface inflow to the basin. Continuing to reoccupy the former gage site will allow the data to continue on the historical record and allow the analysis of long-term trends.
32	Clyde Warren/ Landowner (Mar. 6, 2023)	The report on page 10 only mentions that my irrigation well (formally the Molinari well) has an annual use of 183.5 acre feet. It does not mention the pumping rate of 275 gpm and not less than 105 psi at the meter which is located at my property line. See attachment.	The final San Simeon Instream Flows Assessment report was revised to specify the pumping rate for this well is 0.61 cfs (275 gallons per minute).
33	Clyde Warren/ Landowner (Apr. 2023)	This letter includes multiple comments focused on effects of CCSD pumping on Private wells operated by C. Warren that pump near Van Gordon Creek and how CCSD operations might affect private water rights.	These comments are addressed in a separate memo titled <i>Responses to Clyde Warren Comment Letter</i> , which is now provided as an attachment to the final San Simeon Instream Flow Assessment report.



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**Attachment 4**

**Responses to Clyde Warren Comment Letter**

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August 22, 2024

**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** James Green, Cambria Community Services District  
**From:** Gus Yates, PG, CHG, Senior Hydrologist  
**Re:** Water Reclamation Facility: Responses to Clyde Warren Comment Letter  
Dated April 4, 2023

I have reviewed the comment letter and associated files Mr. Warren submitted to Cambria Community Services District (District) on April 4, 2023 outlining his concerns regarding potential impacts of the District's Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) on his supply wells. The locations of his wells and relevant nearby wells are shown in **Figure 1**. I have investigated his assertions and completed additional analysis to evaluate their merits. For discussion purposes, I have grouped his comments into three issues, each of which is discussed below.



**Figure 1. Locations of Wells**

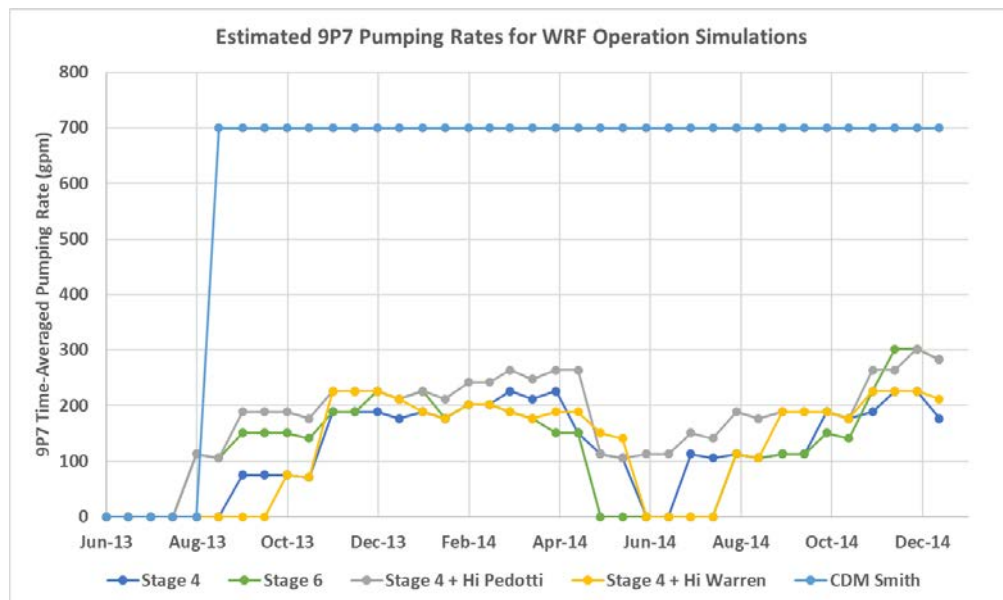
**Issue 1: 9P7 Pumping Impacts on Van Gordon Creek Wells**

Mr. Warren cited material in my January 23, 2020 memorandum to the District. That memorandum interpreted older CDM Smith modeling results. It pointed to the need for improved modeling, which led to my work in 2021-2022 that included model improvements, recalibration and simulation of WRF operational scenarios. I documented the more recent modeling in a memorandum to the District dated March 22, 2022.

A major difference between the CDM Smith modeling and the more recent modeling is that the CDM Smith modeling assumed much more WRF operation than would actually be

needed. Sensitivity analysis with the new model showed that the water-level gradient between wells SS-4 and 9P2 dictated whether and how much WRF production would be needed in a given month. In the absence of WRF operation, the gradient gradually shifts from down-valley (forward gradient) to up-valley (reverse). The District operates facilities to avoid reverse gradients. Modeling showed that WRF operation rapidly establishes a forward gradient. Thus, average WRF flows could be adjusted semi-monthly (the model stress period) to closely match the target gradient. This led to the 9P7 pumping rates for various scenarios shown toward the bottom of the graph in **Figure 2**. Well 9P7 is the supply well for the WRF. For all of the scenarios, semi-monthly pumping rates are less than half the rates assumed in the CDM Smith modeling (the lone curve near the top of the graph).

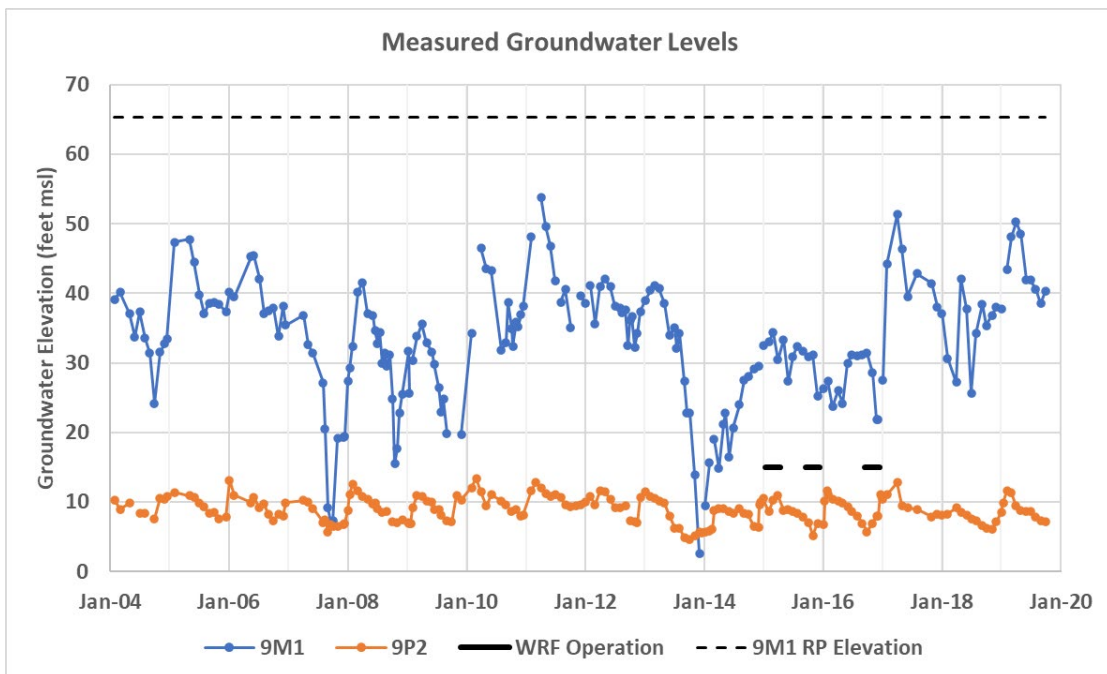
The CDM Smith modeling and my more recent modeling both assumed a longer duration of WRF operation than is likely to occur. The CDM Smith model assumed the WRF would operate continuously with zero San Simeon Creek flow in winter. This is unrealistically conservative because it implicitly assumed two exceptionally dry years in a row. My more recent modeling similarly assumed two exceedingly dry years in a row, but they were evaluated separately. This allowed two types of dry year to be evaluated in a single simulation, but the probability of two such years in a row is on the order of one year out of 360 years (Yates and Van Konynenburg, 1998). A more realistic estimate of a year with heavy WRF operation would assume the plant is turned on around mid-summer in a year when the dry season started exceptionally early. It would continue operating at the rate needed to maintain the target gradient between SS-4 and 9P2 until San Simeon Creek stream flow resumes, which is commonly in December, sometimes in January and rarely as late as February.



**Figure 2.** Estimated 9P7 Pumping Rates

My recent modeling also assumed an annual District water demand of 700 AFY, which included an increment of growth relative to current demand. Annual water use during 2015-2020 averaged 503 AFY. The scenarios have not been repeated with this smaller water demand, but the result would be smaller semi-monthly WRF production and a slightly shorter WRF operational season. The effects of pumping at well 9P7 would also be proportionally smaller.

Most of the issues raised by Mr. Warren regarding pumping impacts on water levels can be answered by inspection of historical water-level data for wells 9M1 and 9P2, which have been monitored by the District for many years. **Figure 3** shows hydrographs of groundwater elevations measured in those two wells from 2004-2019.



**Figure 3.** Groundwater Levels in Wells 9M1 and 9P2

Water levels in well 9P2 remained within a narrow range (6-13 ft msl) because of the stabilizing effects of nearby recycled water percolation and the lagoon. Also, there has not been much pumping at nearby wells 9P7 (WRF supply well) and 9P4 (Warren’s irrigation well). In contrast, 9M1 water levels fluctuated much more widely: 15-54 ft msl in typical years and plunging as low as 3 ft msl in drought years. These variations are obviously not caused by pumping for the WRF, which would have to also lower 9P2 water levels if it were having an impact on the much more distant well 9M1.

The 9P2 hydrograph demonstrates that fluctuations in water levels in the San Simeon Creek basin near Van Gordon Creek are not the cause of the large water-level fluctuations observed in the Van Gordon area. In fact, in December 2013 the 9M1 water level was **lower**

than the 9P2 water level. At that time, one could argue that Van Gordon drawdown was impacting 9P2 water levels, not the other way around.

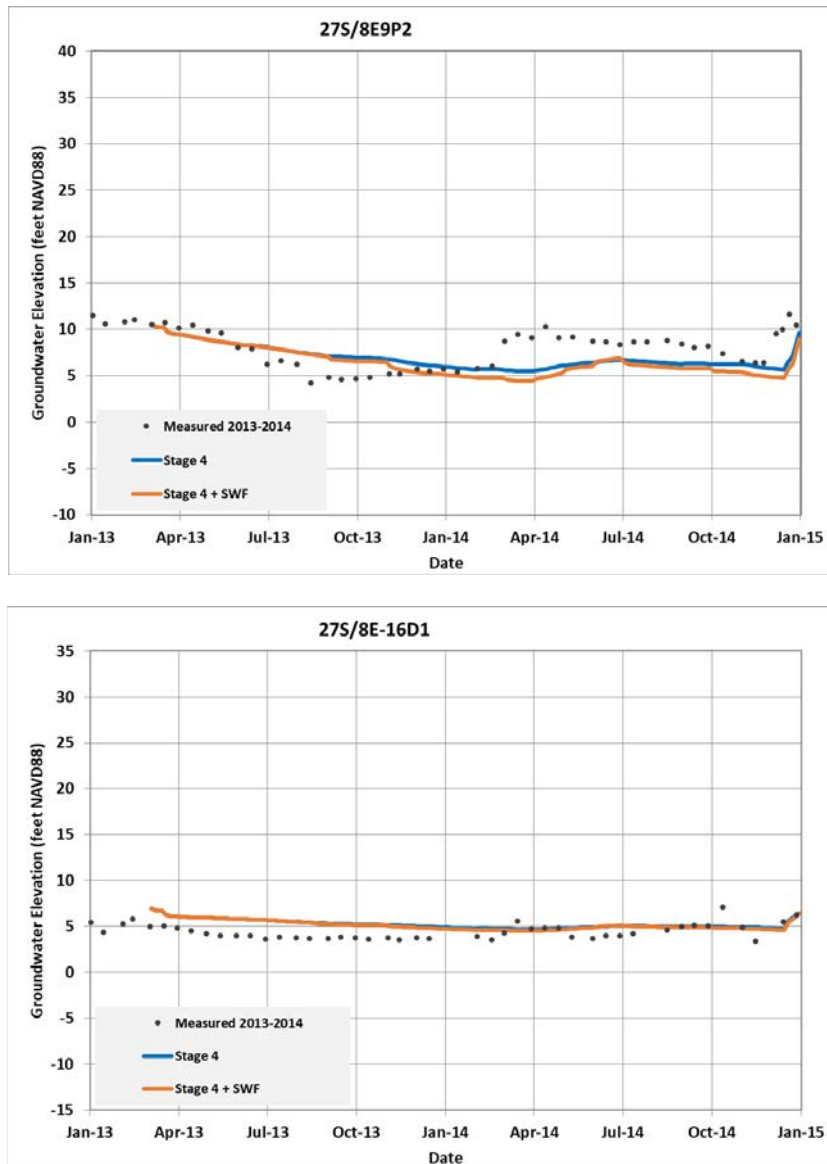
The large water level fluctuations at 9M1 are likely due to local irrigation pumping and variations in recharge in the Van Gordon Creek area. Warren irrigation has been small since 1995, based on Google Earth historical aerial imagery that shows little active irrigation on his lands on the Van Gordon Creek valley floor. So pumping at 9M1 or Warren's other nearby wells probably did not contribute substantially to the observed water level fluctuations. However, a much larger stress would be pumping to irrigate the 56 acres of avocado orchard immediately upstream of Warren's property (visible in Figure 1). I completed a daily soil moisture budget simulation of the orchard during 2004-2021, which produced an estimate of 131 AFY of irrigation pumping.<sup>1</sup> That is a large stress on that relatively small corner of the basin. The irrigation pumping contributes to dry-season water-level declines every year. The exceptionally large dry-season water level declines in 2007 and 2013 probably resulted from below-average recharge during the preceding winter. Recharge correlates with precipitation and stream flow, which vary much more widely from year to year than evapotranspiration and irrigation do. Annual irrigation demand does go up if the summer is hot or the dry season is long, but as a percent of normal, the variations are small compared to variations in precipitation and stream flow.

Figure 2 also shows that water levels in well 9M1 drop as low as the 12.5 ft msl elevation shown in the CDM Smith figure cited by Mr. Warren even in the absence of WRF operation, such as in 2007 and 2013. Thus, the assumption that the low water levels resulted from 9P7 pumping is incorrect. The relevant question is how much **additional** drawdown at 9M1 did 9P7 pumping contribute? The drawdown impact at 9M1 would necessarily be smaller than at nearby wells in the San Simeon Basin (such as 9P2 and 16D1) because drawdown decreases with distance from a pumping well.

My modeling of scenarios in 2021-2022 showed that WRF operation would lower water levels at 9P2 by only 2 ft by the end of the dry season, as shown in **Figure 4** for the drought stage 4 + WRF scenario. At well 16D1 water levels would be lower by less than 1 foot. The effect of WRF operation on water levels at 9M1 would certainly be less than 1 foot, not the 23.13 ft asserted in the comment letter. The 0.5-2 ft of drawdown caused by 9P7 pumping at 9P2 and 16D1 at the end of the dry season would not appreciably increase the southward gradient at Well 9M1, which is located 2,000-2,500 ft away.

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<sup>1</sup> Daily rainfall and reference ET for Cambria from ClimateEngine.org; available water capacity = 0.13; root depth = 10 ft; crop coefficient = 0.7 in all months; irrigation deep percolation = 10% of applied water.



**Figure 4.** Simulated Water Levels at Wells 9P2 and 16D1 during WRF Operation

### Issue 2: 9P7 Pumping Impacts on 9P4

Well 9P4 is an irrigation well owned by Mr. Warren and located in the District’s recycled water percolation area less than 100 ft from WRF supply well 9P7. Well 9P2 is a similar distance from 9P7 and is the well with the long history of measured water levels shown in Figure 3. The periods of pumping at well 9P7 during 2015-2016 are indicated by the horizontal black bars in Figure 3. There was no concurrent decline in water levels at 9P2, just the usual seasonal pattern of cyclic fluctuations. The amounts of 9P7 pumping in 2015-2016 were smaller than would occur in a year of heavy WRF operation, but if 9P7 impacted water levels at 9P2, some evidence of drawdown should have been visible and wasn’t.



Model simulations also indicated that pumping at 9P7 during WRF operation would not cause substantial drawdown at 9P2 and by extension at 9P4, which is a similar distance from 9P7. The hydrographs in Figure 4 shows the simulated effects of more sustained WRF operation compared to the same simulation without WRF operation. Over the course of two consecutive very dry years, 9P2 water levels with WRF operation were at most 2 ft lower than without WRF operation. Thus, the fear that 9P2 water levels would be drastically lowered by WRF operation or that Warren's nearby supply well 9P4 would lose capacity appear to be unfounded.

The comment letter also mentioned that WRF operation could impact groundwater quality at Warren's irrigation well 9P4. No mechanism was suggested for how water quality would be impacted. The treatment plant does not add chemicals to the basin. Salts that are extracted by reverse osmosis treatment will be trucked out of the basin. The advance treated recycled water injected for the WRF project at well RIW1 near the District's well field is of higher quality than groundwater presently extracted by Warren's well 9P4.

### Issue 3: Water Rights

The District has three primary responses to the water rights issues raised in letters from Mr. Warren and his attorney.

First, as confirmed in the March 22, 2022, report prepared by Todd Groundwater, the WRF extracts, treats and reinjects wastewater that was percolated by the District, and the annual volume of wastewater percolation equals 92% of the volume extracted at the District's well field (Todd Groundwater, 2022, p. 4). The WRF simply moves highly-treated percolated wastewater to a location in the aquifer that is accessible to the District's municipal wells. The District holds exclusive rights to this developed water supply (Water Code section 1210). The central premise of the WRF project is the percolation and recharge of the District's treated wastewater and subsequent recovery thereof. Mr. Warren has no claim of water rights regarding this source of supply.

Second, and as referenced in correspondence from Mr. Warren and his attorney, the District and Mr. Warren have a Settlement Agreement that governs their relationship with regard to these matters. The District abides by the terms of the agreement and will continue to do so. The Settlement Agreement has clear terms for dispute resolution, and Mr. Warren may avail himself of those processes if warranted. The Settlement Agreement was executed in 2006 and has successfully and amicably governed relations between Mr. Warren and the District since that time.

Third, the District disputes Mr. Warren's claims and assumptions that the District pumps Van Gordon Creek surface water (via subterranean stream flow). Unlike the San Simeon aquifer, there has been no court/regulatory determination that the the District is pumping from the subterranean streamflow associated with Van Gordon Creek. In fact, there is evidence indicating the groundwater flow direction in the vicinity of the WRF supply well (9P7) runs is perpendicular to the direction of Van Gordon Creek, thus nullifying a key element for finding the existence of a subterranean stream. Water level data from well

9M1 in Van Gordon Creek Valley and groundwater modeling both show that the groundwater gradient and flow direction in Van Gordon Creek Valley are parallel to Van Gordon Creek and perpendicular to San Simeon Creek. Thus, groundwater from the Van Gordon Creek Valley enters San Simeon Creek Valley from the side and is not part of the subterranean stream associated with San Simeon Creek. There is no evidence that the WRF project is pumping from a subterranean stream associated with Van Gordon Creek or that the project will interfere in any way with Mr. Warren's claimed Van Gordon Creek surface water rights.

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CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

TO: Resources and Infrastructure Committee

AGENDA NO. **4.B.**

FROM: James Green, Utilities Department Manager  
Tristan Reaper, Program Manager

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Meeting Date: September 9, 2024

Subject: Review and Discuss Information on the  
Adaptive Management Plan

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Staff recommends that the R&I committee approve and forward to the Board of Directors an amendment to the Consultant Services Agreement with SWCA for Assistance with the WRF CDP Application.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

A contract for \$36,865 would provide the AMP update, final project description, EIR addendum, and participation in coordination meetings with the County and Coastal Commission. The amount is currently accounted for in the FY 2024/2025 operating budget. A budget adjustment is requested to move the funds to the CDP capital project.

**DISCUSSION:**

Due to the complexities of submitting the CDP project description, the District is requesting further assistance from SWCA. The 2017 Michael Baker AMP Plan requires increased analysis and supporting evidence. SWCA will work closely with District staff to prepare an addendum to the certified Supplemental EIR pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15164. The addendum will include a post-certification checklist to evaluate the potential for new or more severe impacts to any issue areas required to be analyzed under CEQA. The addendum will reference the Mitigation Monitoring Reporting Plan and CEQA Findings and provide evidence supporting a determination that the currently proposed WRF would not result in any new significant impacts or increase the severity of a previously identified significant impact. Additionally, SWCA will prepare a memorandum detailing the CCSD's compliance with Condition 6 of the Emergency CDP, which outlines the required information for the submittal of a regular CDP. SWCA anticipates that this memorandum will be an attachment to the CDP application packet and will assist the County in reviewing the project for consistency with the conditions imposed on the Emergency CDP, given the project's extensive history. This task assumes that the CSD will provide information to support the memorandum (e.g., hydrogeologic modeling information) and that SWCA will not prepare technical reports to support this task. SWCA will assist the CSD in communicating and coordinating with the County and Coastal regarding the CDP application packet. SWCA will respond to County and Coastal staff's questions and comments, including providing additional information and clarifications in order to get the project description in a state that can be supported by the CSD, County, and Coastal alike and allow the CDP application process to move forward toward completion and approval by the County. Direct staff to enter into a contract with SWCA to update and complete the AMP based on Coastal Commission Concerns. The memorandum will be submitted as an attachment to the CDP application packet to support County Planning's evaluation of the project. SWCA will also prepare an addendum to the certified 2017 Supplemental EIR.

It is recommended that the R&I committee approve and forward to the Board of Directors an amendment to the Consultant Services Agreement with SWCA for Assistance with the WRF CDP Application.

Attachments: Adaptive Management Plan  
CCSD WRF Change Order Request #1



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## Adaptive Management Plan

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## **Adaptive Management Plan**

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The undersigned certify that the statements furnished in this report and exhibits present data and information required for this biological evaluation, and the facts, statements, and information presented is a complete and accurate account of the findings and conclusions to the best of our knowledge and beliefs.



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**LIST OF ACRONYMS**

AMP	Adaptive Management Plan
AWTP	Advanced Water Treatment Plant
BM	Biological Monitor
C	Celsius
CCSD	Cambria Community Services District
CDFW	California Department of Fish and Wildlife
CRAM	California Rapid Assessment Method
DO	Dissolved Oxygen
F	Fahrenheit
gpm	Gallons Per Minute
PHABSIM	Physical Habitat Simulation
ppm	Parts Per Million
ppt	Parts Per Thousand
RBF	RBF Consulting
RIW	Recharge Injection Well
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
USGS	United States Geological Survey
WUA	Weighted Usable Area

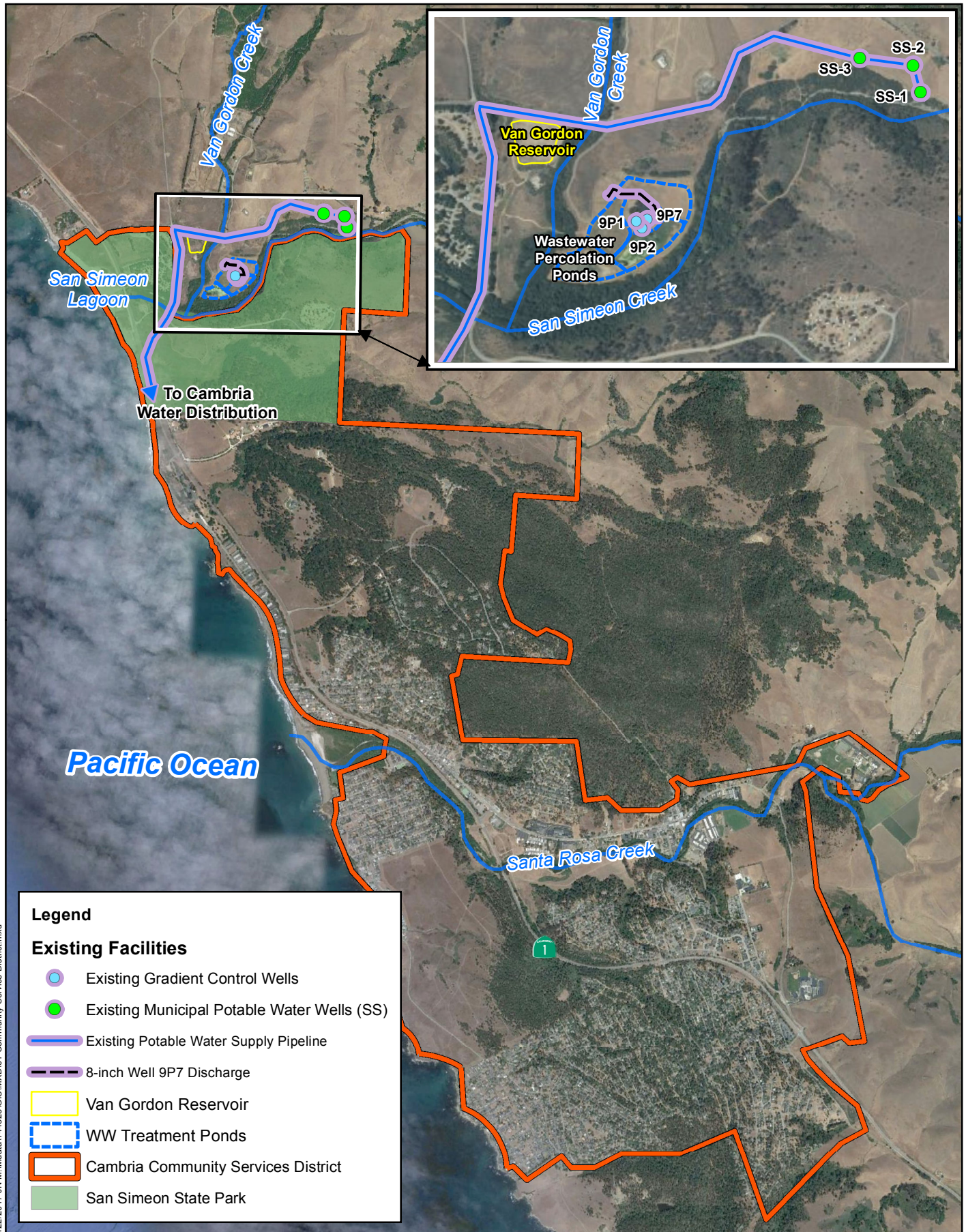
# Section 1      Background

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Cambria is located in central California’s coastal region in the northwest portion of San Luis Obispo County (SLO County). The Cambria Community Services District (CCSD or the District) is an independent special district of the SLO County that provides water, wastewater, fire protection, parks and recreation and other community services for this 3,200 acres community south of San Simeon, CA. Exhibit 1, *Cambria Community Services District and Existing Facilities*, shows the CCSD Service boundaries, and the locations of the CCSD’s existing well field and freshwater facilities. All of Cambria’s potable water is supplied by groundwater wells in the San Simeon Creek and Santa Rosa Creek aquifers. The San Simeon Creek and Santa Rosa Creek aquifers are relatively shallow and porous, with the groundwater levels typically recharged every year during the rainy season. Groundwater levels generally exhibit a consistent pattern of high levels during the wet season, steady decline during the dry season, and rapid rise when the wet season resumes.

To minimize loss or contamination of potable groundwater at the aquifer and ocean interface, treated wastewater effluent is percolated into the San Simeon Creek aquifer downstream from its production wells. This practice also helps prevent saltwater intrusion into the freshwater water aquifer. If the groundwater level drops too far, treated effluent and seawater could migrate toward the water supply wells, deteriorating the water quality and potentially rendering the freshwater non-potable. The percolation of treated wastewater effluent develops groundwater mounding below the percolation ponds, which forms a positive differential between the percolation pond area and the ocean that results in subsurface discharge of fresh water to the ocean. CCSD operations also monitor the groundwater mound throughout the year to maintain a positive differential from CCSD’s up-gradient production wells and down-gradient percolation ponds area. During the summer dry season, and depending upon the prior year’s precipitation, the CCSD may periodically pump groundwater from its percolation fields in order to maintain this differential. When this occurs, water is lost to the ocean as subsurface underflow and the volume of up-gradient freshwater storage is diminished.

As noted, the aquifers are recharged primarily by seepage from San Simeon and Santa Rosa Creeks, which typically flow during the winter and spring rainy seasons. The average groundwater levels at San Simeon Creek Well ranges from 8 to 20 feet above mean sea level (amsl) in depth; see *Groundwater* Section below. In 2013, well levels dropped to three (3) feet amsl in the summer and fluctuated between four and seven (4 and 7) feet amsl during the winter rainy season (October through February).



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**Existing Facilities**

- Existing Gradient Control Wells
- Existing Municipal Potable Water Wells (SS)
- Existing Potable Water Supply Pipeline
- 8-inch Well 9P7 Discharge
- Van Gordon Reservoir
- WW Treatment Ponds
- Cambria Community Services District
- San Simeon State Park





The 2013/2104 water year drought prompted the CCSD's decision to develop an emergency water supply for Cambria that could be made available quickly. The CCSD subsequently changed the Project name to Sustainable Water Facility (or SWF). Within this document, there are references to earlier Project reports, which referred to the Emergency Water Supply (EWS) Project. More recent reports, including this update to the Adaptive Management Plan (AMP), refer to the Project as the Sustainable Water Facility (or SWF). In response to the emergency status, the CCSD constructed the Cambria Emergency Water Supply Project. The Cambria Emergency Water Supply Project San Simeon Creek Basin Groundwater Modeling Report (GMR) (CDM Smith, May 2014) (see Appendix A) was prepared to support Project design. In addition, the Technical Memorandum – San Simeon Creek Flows (Technical Memorandum) (CDM Smith, October 16, 2016) (see Appendix B) was prepared to analyze instream flows and the SWF Project's lagoon water supply design feature. The GMR and Technical Memorandum were also included within Draft SEIR Appendix E-1 and Appendix E-6, respectively. The GMR and Technical Memorandum evaluated the Project's potential impacts on San Simeon Creek and the San Simeon Creek Lagoon. These studies showed that the SWF would not substantially deplete groundwater levels within the San Simeon Creek aquifer and, given the area's drought history and its impacts on groundwater supply, the SWF would instead work towards alleviating the existing problem of groundwater depletion within the aquifer. The SWF proposes to withdraw up to 629 gpm of water through Well 9P7 and reinject up to 452 gpm of treated water for indirect potable use after appropriate resident time in the aquifer. This reinjected water also serves to maintain gradient control within the groundwater basin between the CCSD's San Simeon Creek aquifer well field area and the treated wastewater effluent percolation ponds. Besides the Project's reinjected water, a Project Design Feature (PDF) proposes that approximately 100 gpm of MF filtrate (identical to the source water quality) will be discharged from the Project's AWTP to the upstream end of the San Simeon Creek lagoon to maintain surface water levels within the lagoon.

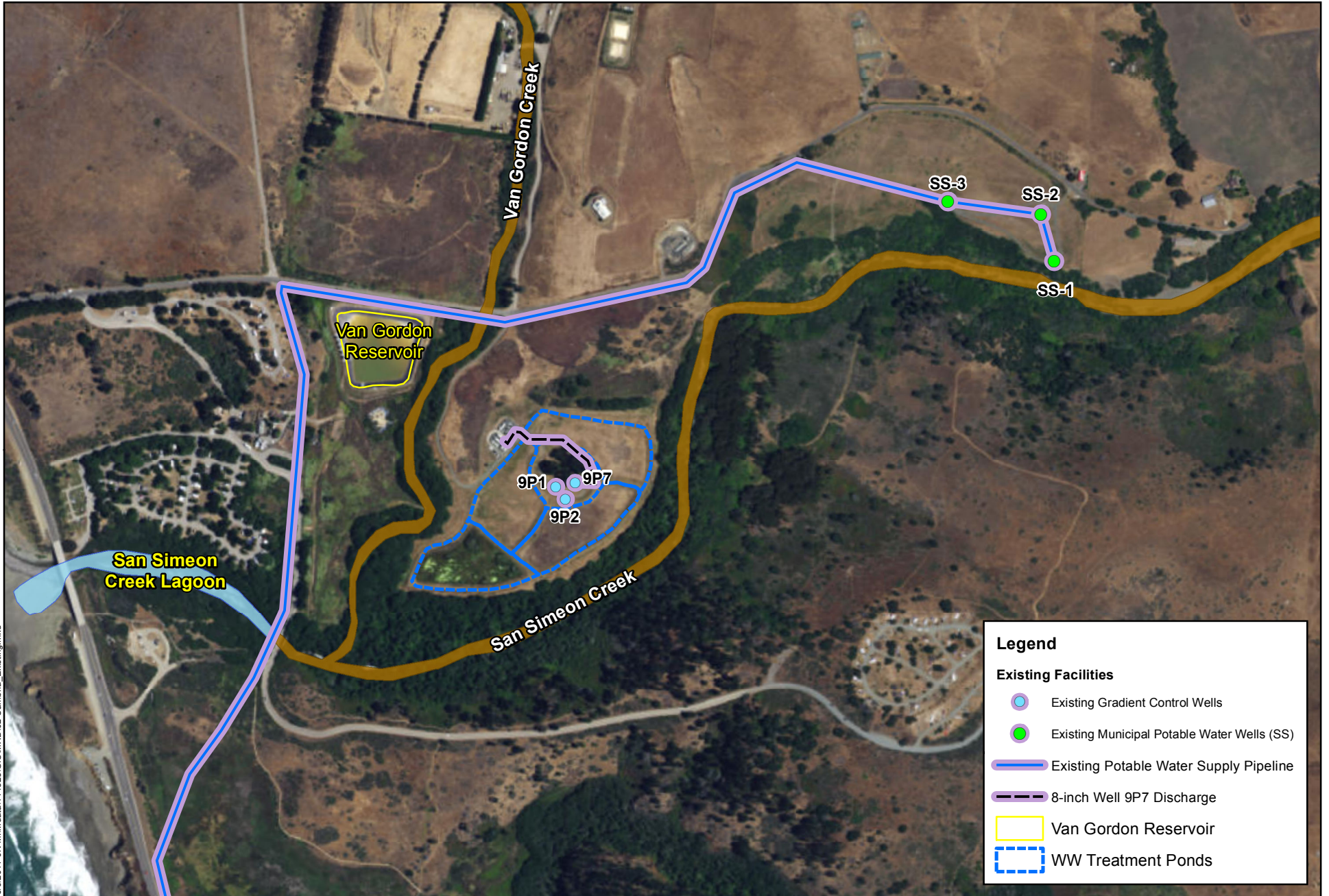
## 1.1 EXISTING CCSD FACILITIES

CCSD constructed the SWF Project during 2014. As designed, the Project used several existing CCSD facilities: the San Simeon Well Field and Potable Water Supply, percolation ponds that receive treated effluent from the Cambria Wastewater Treatment Plant, and a treated wastewater effluent holding basin (aka the Van Gordon Reservoir). The locations of each of these existing facilities are shown in Exhibit 2, *Existing Facilities*.

The San Simeon Well Field and Potable Water Supply is located at the eastern portion of the Project site, approximately one mile inland from the ocean. The well field contains three municipal wells (SS-1, SS-2 and SS-3) used to extract groundwater from the San Simeon Aquifer. An underground potable water supply pipeline, which generally parallels the northern and western site boundaries, is used to transport potable water from the well field to Cambria, approximately 2.5 miles to the south. In addition to the three CCSD municipal water wells (SS-1, SS-2, and SS-3), there are three other CCSD wells located within the Project site:

- Well 9P1: Which once served a ranch house and is no longer in use;
- Well 9P2: An irrigation well, which supplies a riparian irrigator via an agreement with the CCSD that replaces the use of abandoned Well 9K1;
- Well 9P7: A former gradient control well that was repurposed as part of the SWF Project.

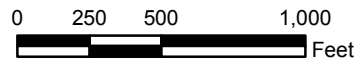
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- Existing Municipal Potable Water Wells (SS)
- Existing Potable Water Supply Pipeline
- 8-inch Well 9P7 Discharge
- Van Gordon Reservoir
- WW Treatment Ponds



The effluent percolation ponds are located in the southwestern portion of the Project site and includes four percolation ponds and associated treated wastewater effluent pipelines. After secondary treatment at the CCSD wastewater treatment plant (located approximately two miles south from the Project site), treated effluent is pumped to the four percolation ponds where it infiltrates slowly through the soil into the underlying groundwater/San Simeon Creek aquifer. Except for times when a reverse hydraulic gradient condition could occur (such as later summer to early fall, also see Section 3) this recharging of the lower San Simeon Creek aquifer helps maintain the hydraulic mound/barrier that separate the up-gradient potable groundwater supply from the San Simeon Creek aquifer/ocean interface.

Van Gordon Reservoir is an existing, but unused, storage basin for wastewater located in the northwest corner of the Project site. Between 1994 and 2005, the Van Gordon Reservoir was used as an intermediate storage reservoir prior to discharge into the percolation ponds.

## 1.2 SUSTAINABLE WATER FACILITY PROJECT

In addition to the use of existing CCSD facilities, the SWF Project includes construction of several new water facilities. Exhibit 3, *Sustainable Water Facility*, shows the location of these new Project facilities in relationship to the existing CCSD facilities. The new facilities included:

- An Advanced Water Treatment Plant (AWTP);
- A Recharge Injection Well (RIW);
- An evaporation pond (created by modifying the existing Van Gordon Reservoir);
- Four new monitoring wells; and
- Four new pipelines.

The AWTP consists of multiple unit processes including ultrafiltration membranes, reverse osmosis membrane, advance oxidation, and post-treatment and disinfection facilities. A feed water pipeline transports the brackish water between existing Well 9P7 and the AWTP. The treated AWTP product water is re-introduced/pumped for injection into the groundwater basin so that it is available in the existing San Simeon well field. To inject the product water into the basin, a new potable water recharge injection well (RIW) is located at the existing potable water well-field. A new water pipeline transports the product water between the AWTP and RIW well. A separate pipeline from the AWTP provides mitigation water to the head of the San Simeon Creek lagoon area.

The AWTP generated waste stream (reverse osmosis concentrate) is pumped in a new pipeline from the AWTP to a lined evaporation pond (aka the modified Van Gordon Reservoir). Both natural and mechanically assisted evaporation of the waste stream occurs within the evaporation pond.

## 1.3 SUSTAINABLE WATER FACILITY PROJECT MODIFICATIONS

The District is now in the process of completing a regular Coastal Development Permit (R-CDP) for the SWF to allow more flexibility in its operation while further enhancing supply reliability. As part of this permitting process, the District initially submitted an application for an R-CDP on June 13, 2014. This initial application was subsequently replaced with a new R-CDP application on February 27, 2017, which was accompanied by the draft SEIR to provide CEQA information requirements. In response to

input received during initial operation of the SWF, and to further enhance reliability, the SEIR includes several proposed Project modifications.

The proposed SWF modifications described within the SEIR are illustrated in Exhibit 4, *SWF Project Modifications*, and summarized below.

- Change in the discharge point for the AWTP RO concentrate: The AWTP RO concentrate is currently discharged into an evaporation pond (aka the Van Gordon Reservoir). The proposed modification would redirect the RO concentrate discharge to four Baker tanks with 17,640 gallon capacity per tank for onsite storage prior to offsite disposal.
- The evaporation pond will be repurposed from an evaporation pond to a potable water supply storage basin, which could then be used as a supply source during the dry season. Besides improving supply reliability, this modification will also address aesthetic and noise impacts associated with the evaporation pond's mechanical spray evaporators.
- Source water for the untreated/raw potable water stored in basin would be pumped from the CCSD's existing potable wells during the wet season and would be in compliance with limitations set by the CCSD's SWRCB-issued diversion permits.
- A Surface Water Treatment Plant (SWTP) would be located adjacent to the AWTP, as shown on Exhibit 4, to treat surface water from the raw potable water supply storage basin or groundwater from well SS-1 to improve the potable water supply's overall reliability.
- Project modifications would include extending the lagoon water supply pipeline to a new discharge point further south and onto the San Simeon Creek bank. At this new discharge point, Armorflex lining (articulating concrete blocks) would be installed to protect the creek bank but would allow for continued growth of riparian vegetation.
- Modified operations of the permanent SWF would be, on the average, nine hours per day, four days per week for three months during the year. To address severe drought conditions, the SWF is capable of running 24 hours per day, seven days per week, for approximately six months.
- Removal of the mechanical spray evaporators, decommissioning of the evaporation pond, and RO concentrate storage (Baker tanks) installation would occur within one year of completion of the SEIR process and completion of all necessary regulatory agency permits. Construction of the proposed modifications is subject to obtaining permits and available CCSD funding. Repurposing of the evaporation pond and construction of the SWTP is anticipated to occur over a one to two year period.
- Permitting agencies or completion of the proposed modification would likely include San Luis Obispo County, CDFW, USFWS, RWQCB, CCC, and the USACE.





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**Wells**

**Existing Facilities**

- Existing Gradient Control Wells
- Existing Municipal Potable Water Wells (SS)
- Existing Potable Water Supply Pipeline

**Sustainable Water Facilities (SWF)**

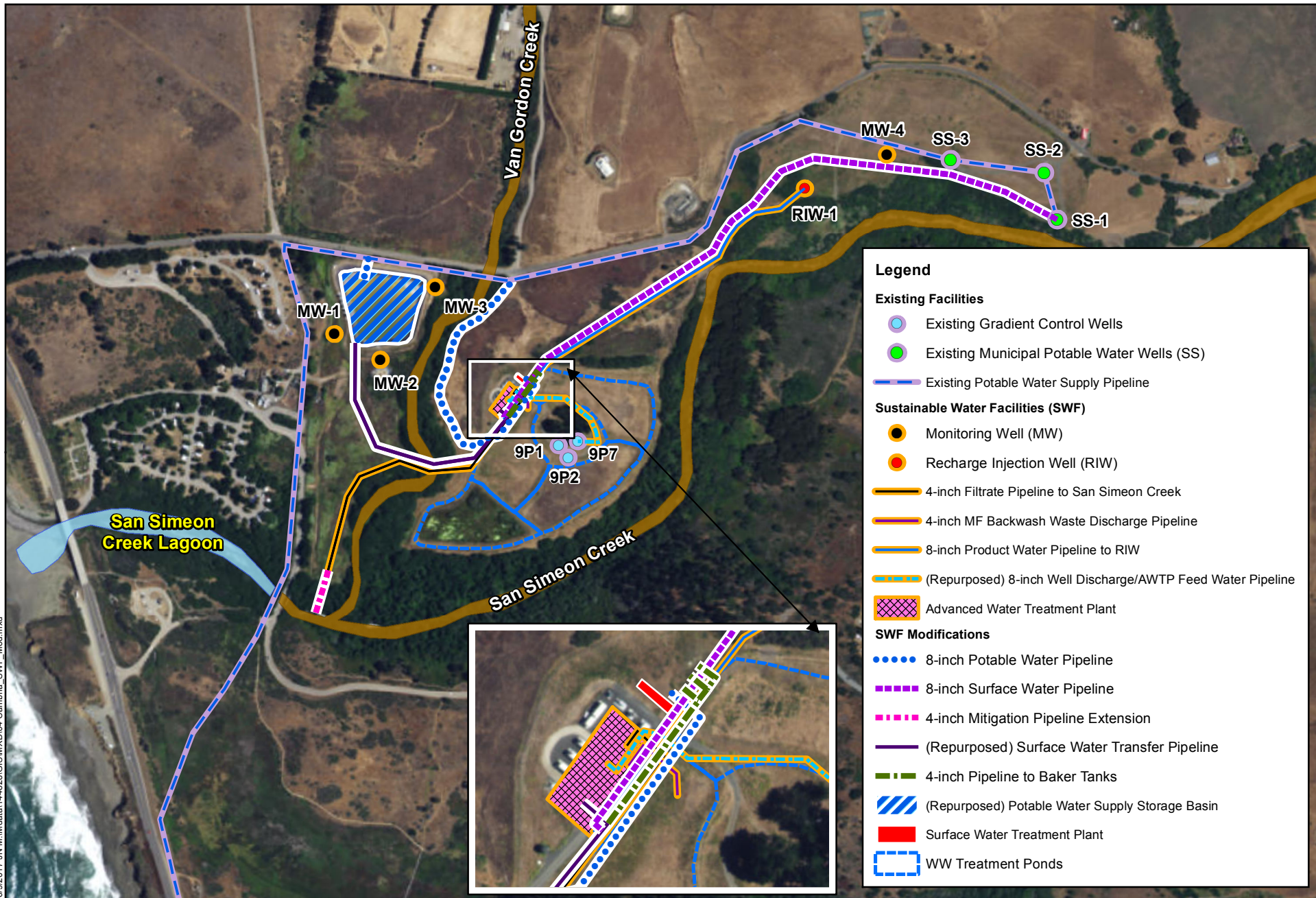
- Monitoring Well (MW)
- Recharge Injection Well (RIW)
- (Repurposed) 8-inch Well Discharge/AWTP Feed Water Pipeline
- 8-inch Product Water Pipeline to RIW
- 4-inch RO Concentrate Disposal Pipeline
- 4-inch Mitigation Pipeline to San Simeon Creek
- 4-inch MF Backwash Waste Discharge Pipeline
- Advanced Water Treatment Plant
- (Repurposed) Evaporation Pond
- WW Treatment Ponds

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**Existing Facilities**

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- Existing Municipal Potable Water Wells (SS)
- Existing Potable Water Supply Pipeline

**Sustainable Water Facilities (SWF)**

- Monitoring Well (MW)
- Recharge Injection Well (RIW)
- 4-inch Filtrate Pipeline to San Simeon Creek
- 4-inch MF Backwash Waste Discharge Pipeline
- 8-inch Product Water Pipeline to RIW
- (Repurposed) 8-inch Well Discharge/AWTP Feed Water Pipeline
- Advanced Water Treatment Plant

**SWF Modifications**

- 8-inch Potable Water Pipeline
- 8-inch Surface Water Pipeline
- 4-inch Mitigation Pipeline Extension
- (Repurposed) Surface Water Transfer Pipeline
- 4-inch Pipeline to Baker Tanks
- (Repurposed) Potable Water Supply Storage Basin
- Surface Water Treatment Plant
- WW Treatment Ponds



## Section 2 Environmental Setting

The following information presents the existing environmental conditions at the Project site. This information will be used for conducting the Project’s environmental analyses and will serve as the environmental baseline for hydrological and biological monitoring. This section describes the physical and biological environmental conditions in the vicinity of the Project site prior to Project initiation.

### 2.1 SOILS

Based on the U.S. Department of Agriculture Soil Survey, the Project site and survey area are underlain by the following soil units (Exhibit 5, *Soils Map*): Beaches, Capistrano sandy loam (rolling), Concepcion loam (5 to 9 percent slopes), Lodo clay loam (5 to 15 percent slopes), Los Osos loam (5 to 9 percent slopes), Los Osos loam (30 to 50 percent slopes), Los Osos-Diablo complex (15 to 30 percent slopes), Marimel sandy-clay loam (occasionally flooded), Riverwash, and Salinas silty clay loam (0 to 2 percent slopes).

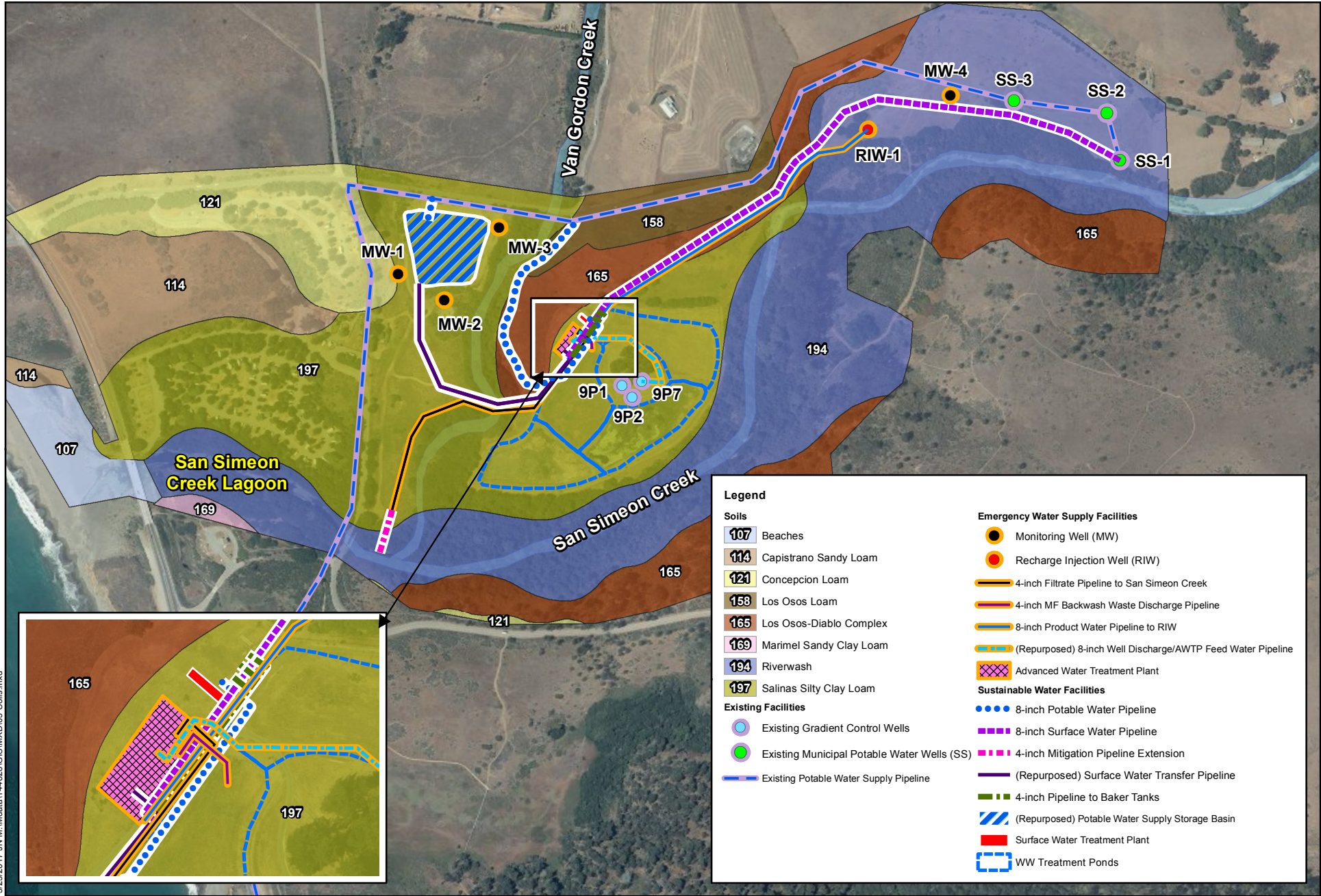
### 2.2 VEGETATION

Eight (8) plant communities were identified within the Project site (Exhibit 6, *Vegetation Map*): Central Coast Arroyo Willow Riparian Forest, Monterey Pine Stand/Monterey Pine Forest, Coyote Brush Scrub, California Bulrush Marsh, Annual Grassland, Wild Oats Scrub, Upland Mustards, and Eucalyptus Stand. In addition, there are a landscaped campground, percolation ponds, San Simeon Creek, Van Gordon Creek and the San Simeon Creek Lagoon and Estuary. Table 1, *Plant Communities*, provides the acreage of each plant community or noted features, as well as the percentage that each encompasses within the Project site. The plant communities are described in further detail below.

**Table 1: Plant Communities**

Plant Community	Acreage	Percentage
Central Coast Arroyo Willow Riparian Forest	61.1	31.0%
Monterey Pine Stand	0.8	0.4%
Monterey Pine Forest	23.3	11.8%
Coyote Brush Scrub	6.6	3.3%
California Bulrush Marsh	0.2	0.1%
Annual Grassland	31.8	16.1%
Wild Oats Grassland	6.5	3.3%
Upland Mustards	27.9	14.1%
Eucalyptus Stand	5.9	3.0%
Landscaped Campground	8.5	4.3%
Percolation Pond	9.0	4.6%
Lagoon/Estuary	2.2	1.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>183.8</b>	<b>100%</b>

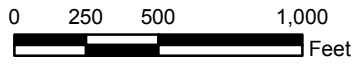




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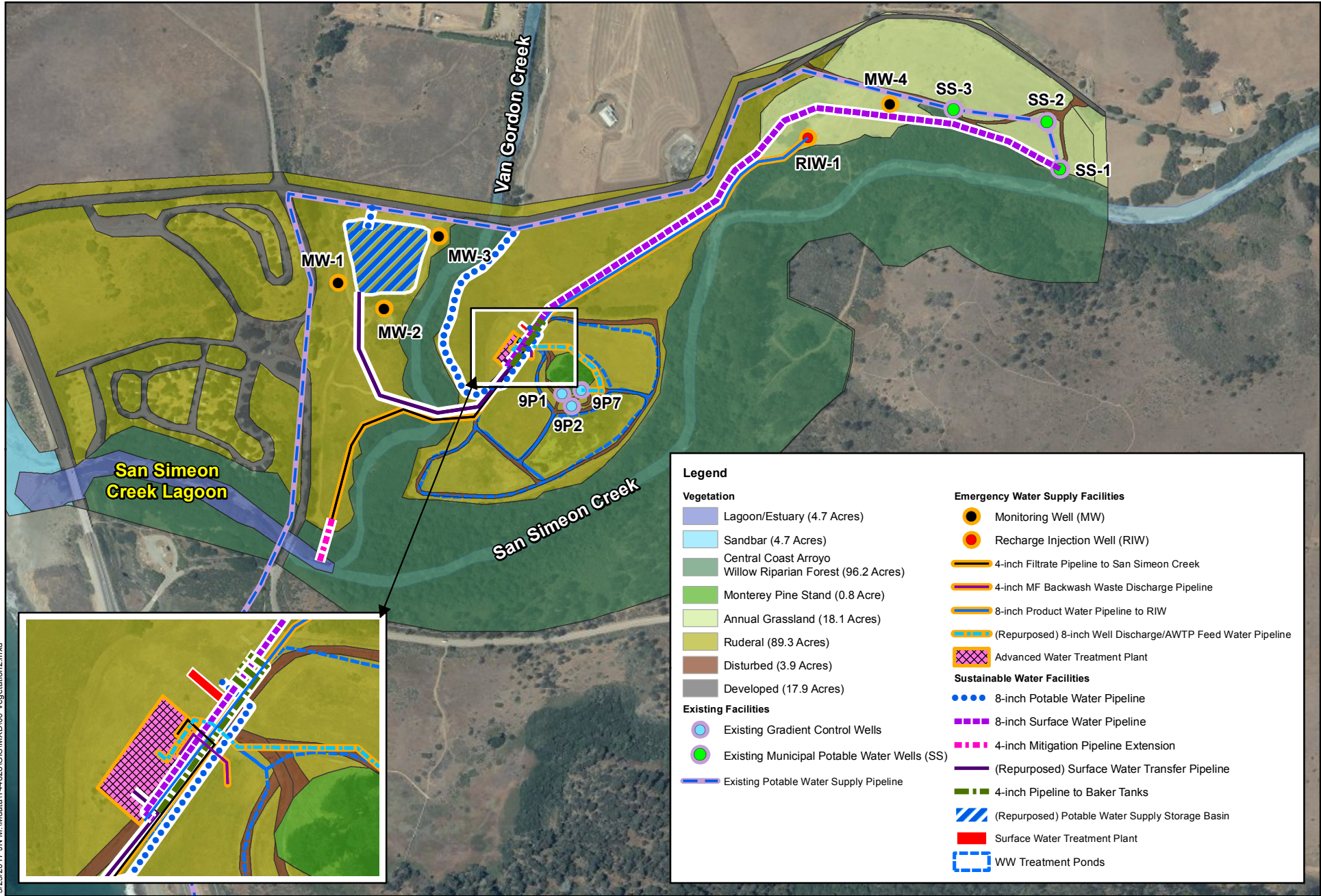
<b>Soils</b>		<b>Emergency Water Supply Facilities</b>	
107	Beaches	●	Monitoring Well (MW)
114	Capistrano Sandy Loam	●	Recharge Injection Well (RIW)
121	Concepcion Loam	—	4-inch Filtrate Pipeline to San Simeon Creek
158	Los Osos Loam	—	4-inch MF Backwash Waste Discharge Pipeline
165	Los Osos-Diablo Complex	—	8-inch Product Water Pipeline to RIW
169	Marimel Sandy Clay Loam	—	(Repurposed) 8-inch Well Discharge/AWTP Feed Water Pipeline
194	Riverwash	■	Advanced Water Treatment Plant
197	Salinas Silty Clay Loam	<b>Sustainable Water Facilities</b>	
<b>Existing Facilities</b>		●●●●	8-inch Potable Water Pipeline
○	Existing Gradient Control Wells	—	8-inch Surface Water Pipeline
●	Existing Municipal Potable Water Wells (SS)	—	4-inch Mitigation Pipeline Extension
—	Existing Potable Water Supply Pipeline	—	(Repurposed) Surface Water Transfer Pipeline
		—	4-inch Pipeline to Baker Tanks
		▨	(Repurposed) Potable Water Supply Storage Basin
		■	Surface Water Treatment Plant
		□	WW Treatment Ponds

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### **Central Coast Arroyo Willow Riparian Forest**

A Central Coast Arroyo Willow Riparian Forest borders both San Simeon Creek and Van Gordon Creek. It is characterized by a dense, low, closed-canopy forest dominated by arroyo willow (*Salix lasiolepis*), western sycamore (*Platanus racemosa*), eucalyptus (*Eucalyptus* sp.), and cape ivy (*Delairea odorata*). It typically occurs in areas that are moist to saturated sandy or gravelly soil.

### **Monterey Pine Stand/Monterey Pine Forest**

There are two small stands of Monterey pine (*Pinus radiata*) located within the Project site. One stand is located in the center of the percolation ponds, adjacent to Well 9P7. The canopy cover in this area is composed entirely of Monterey pines, with the understory composed mostly of ripgut brome (*Bromus diandrus*) and wild oats (*Avena fatua*). A second stand of Monterey pine is located on the south side of San Simeon Creek.

### **Coyote Brush Scrub**

Coyote brush scrub is scattered throughout the Project site, but is concentrated in patches primarily south of the vicinity of the intersection of Van Gordon Creek Road with San Simeon-Monterey Creek Road around the brine evaporation pond. It is also present north of the percolation ponds, to the east of the San Simeon Creek Campground within Hearst San Simeon State Park, and on the south side of San Simeon Creek Lagoon east of State Route 1 (SR 1). It is dominated by coyote brush (*Baccharis pilularis*) and is intermixed with black mustard (*Brassica nigra*) and non-native grasses.

### **California Bulrush Marsh**

California bulrush marsh is located on the western edge of the Project site, immediately east of the SR 1 crossing and on the south side of San Simeon Creek Lagoon. It consists of a narrow channel dominated by dense California bulrush (*Schoenoplectus californicus*). The upland slopes are covered in coyote brush scrub. This channel is a tributary to San Simeon Creek Lagoon.

### **Annual Grassland**

Annual grasslands are located in the northeastern portion of the Project site between San Simeon-Monterey Creek Road and San Simeon Creek, as well as south of San Simeon Creek. This community is dominated largely by canary grass (*Phalaris aquatica*), wild oat, ripgut brome, dandelions (*Taraxacum officinale*), coyote brush, and other herbaceous vegetation.

### **Wild Oats Grassland**

Wild oats grassland is primarily located along the upper edges of and between the percolation ponds. It is dominated almost exclusively by thick stands of wild oats, but is intermixed with light coverage of ripgut brome, shortpodded mustard (*Hirschfeldia incana*), and canary grass.

### **Upland Mustards**

Upland mustard communities are located primarily in the center of the Project site, both east and west of Van Gordon Creek and north of the percolation ponds. This community intermixes with coyote brush scrub. It is dominated by thick, tall stands of black mustard with low-growing grasses (canary grass and

bromes), milk thistle (*Silybum marianum*), dandelion, poison hemlock (*Conium maculatum*), and giant horse tail (*Equisetum telmateia* ssp. *braunii*).

### **Eucalyptus Stand**

Small eucalyptus stands are located on the eastern side of the Project site on the south/eastern shore of San Simeon Creek. These are predominantly characterized by tall eucalyptus trees that have invaded the Central Coast Arroyo Willow Riparian Forested areas.

### **Landscaped Campground**

The landscaped campground (San Simeon Creek Campground) is located west of the Project site, west of Van Gordon Creek Road and north of San Simeon Creek Lagoon. (The AMP monitoring will avoid entering the campground area unless otherwise approved by State Parks. It is described here to complete a discussion on the areas adjacent to and outside of the SWF Project site.) The landscaped campground area is underlain by non-native ornamental grasses and contains larger trees and shrubs including cypress (*Cupressus* sp.), western sycamore, and toyon (*Heteromeles arbutifolia*).

### **Percolation Pond**

There are four (4) percolation ponds located in the center of the Project site, northeast of the confluence of Van Gordon and San Simeon Creeks. While the upland edges of these are dominated by wild oats grasslands, the bottoms get periodically flooded for water treatment purposes and therefore undergo dynamic changes, sometimes holding dense vegetation, sometimes being bare and dry, and sometimes being inundated with water depending on the current flooding schedule.

### **Lagoon/Estuary**

San Simeon Creek Lagoon/Estuary is located from just east of Van Gordon Creek Road to just west of SR 1. It is surrounded by the Central Coast arroyo willow riparian forest. When the sandbar is closed (typically late spring through fall or winter) this habitat is characterized as a lagoon. When it is open (typically fall or winter through early spring) it is characterized as an estuary where saltwater and freshwater merge. In some years the sandbar may not open at all and remains lagoon habitat.

## **2.3 WILDLIFE**

The above described plant communities and wildlife habitats section are either known to support the following federally listed and sensitive wildlife species or these species have a moderate or higher potential to occur.

### **Amphibians**

Most of the Project site provides suitable habitat for the federally threatened California red-legged frog (*Rana draytonii*).

### **Reptiles**

The Project site also provides suitable habitat for western pond turtle (*Emys marmorata*), a California species of special concern, and two-striped garter snake (*Thamnophis hammondi*).



## Avian

The Project site supports a high variety of avian species. Those that were observed in the greatest quantities included mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*), turkey vulture (*Cathartes aura*), California gull (*Larus californicus*), Pacific-slope flycatcher (*Empidonax difficilis*), chestnut-backed chickadee (*Poecile rufescens*), bushtit (*Psaltriparus minimus*), cedar waxwing (*Bombycilla cedrorum*), song sparrow (*Melospiza melodia*), red-winged blackbird (*Agelaius phoeniceus*), and house finch (*Haemorhous mexicanus*). The Project site and surrounding area have the potential to support special-status raptors such as ferruginous hawk (*Buteo regalis*) and prairie falcon (*Falco mexicanus*).

## Mammals

The plant communities within the Project site are anticipated to provide suitable habitat for a number of common mammalian species acclimated to heavy disturbance, including California ground squirrel (*Otospermophilus beecheyi*), Botta's pocket gopher (*Thomomys bottae*), California vole (*Microtis californicus*), deer mouse (*Peromyscus maniculatus*), raccoon (*Procyon lotor*), cottontail rabbits (*Sylvilagus audubonii*), and opossum (*Didelphis virginiana*).

## Fish

When wetted, San Simeon Creek, Van Gordon Creek, the San Simeon Creek Lagoon, and their tributaries would provide suitable habitat for fish. Threespine stickleback (*Gasterosteus aculeatus*) and the federally endangered tidewater goby (TWG, *Eucyclogobius newberryi*) were observed during the habitat assessment in San Simeon Creek and San Simeon Creek Lagoon. In addition to tidewater goby, the aforementioned waterways have the potential to support another special-status fish species, South-Central California Coast steelhead trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss irideus*).

## 2.4 HYDROLOGY

The Project site lies in the coastal zone, approximately 3.5 miles upstream of the Pacific Ocean. It is underlain by a significant alluvial aquifer along San Simeon Creek which includes the Van Gordon Creek tributary. The immediate area is a wide floodplain, up to 1,000 feet wide, and flanked by steep hillsides that rise 200 to 800 feet above the valley floor. A fresh water lagoon (i.e., San Simeon Creek Lagoon) is present in the lower portion of the valley. The San Simeon Creek lagoon forms behind an ocean berm and is supported by groundwater discharge and surface water inflows.

### Groundwater

All of the CCSD's water supply is pumped from the groundwater wells in the San Simeon Creek and Santa Rosa Creek aquifers. The San Simeon and Santa Rosa aquifers are relatively shallow, narrow and porous, with the groundwater levels typically recharged every during the rainy season. As noted above, these two aquifers are recharged primarily by seepage from San Simeon and Santa Rosa Creeks, which typically flow during the winter and spring rainy seasons. However, rainfall has been insufficient in the recent years to fully recharge the two aquifers that provide Cambria's water supply. Exhibit 7, *Average Groundwater Levels Along San Simeon Creek*, shows the average groundwater levels at monitoring wells along San Simeon Creek between 1988 and 2016.

Although neither the San Simeon nor the Santa Rosa aquifers are adjudicated, the State of California, in particular the State Water Resources Control Board, mandates how much water CCSD can pump from the aquifers. Additionally, the dry season start date, duration, and beginning groundwater levels limit the actual availability of groundwater from both basins.

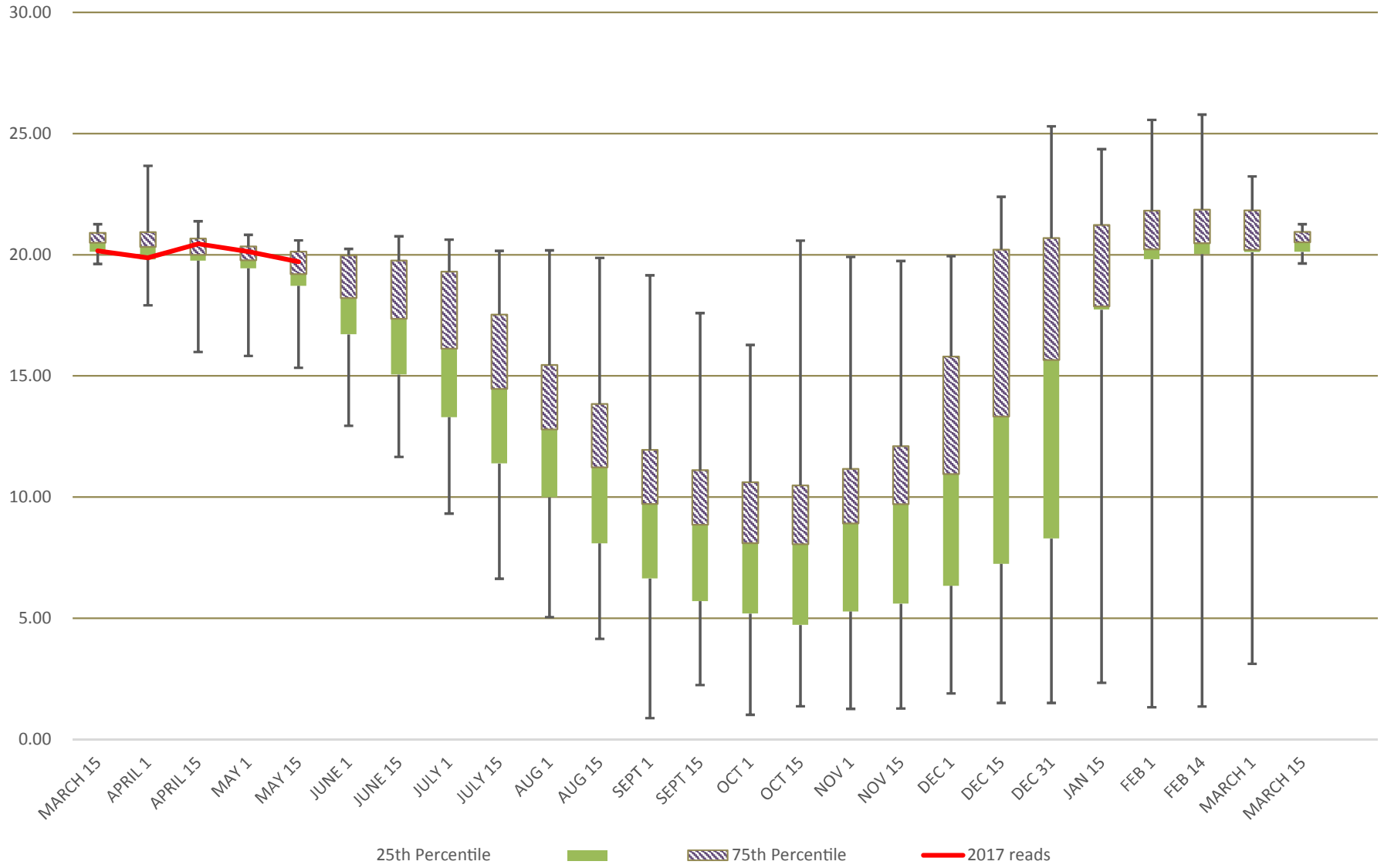
### **Surface Water**

The Project site supports two creeks, San Simeon Creek and Van Gordon Creek and a lagoon at the downstream end of San Simeon Creek, the San Simeon Creek Lagoon. These are discussed below. During storm events, minor sheet flooding occurs but, due to relatively pervious surfaces within the Project area, surface waters are either absorbed or directed into the existing streams.

### **Streams/Wetlands**

The Project site contains two intermittent creeks (San Simeon Creek and Van Gordon Creek) and one wetland (San Simeon Creek Lagoon). San Simeon Creek runs along the Project site's southern boundary, whereas Van Gordon Creek is situated along the site's western boundary. San Simeon Creek Lagoon begins in San Simeon Creek approximately 230 feet upstream of Van Gordon Creek Road and extends west to San Simeon State Beach, where it seasonally switches between a lagoon and an estuary. Vegetation within these water bodies is dominated by a Central Coast Arroyo Willow Riparian Forest community as described in Section 2.2 above. A jurisdictional delineation has recently been completed to determine specific acreages of potentially jurisdictional areas, the Cambria Sustainable Water Facility Project Delineation of Jurisdictional Waters - Update (JD Update) (Michael Baker International, August 2016); see DSEIR Appendix E7.

**1988 to Mid-May 2017 Statistical San Simeon Well Level Summary by Month  
showing Minimums, Maximums, 25 % Percentile, 75% Percentile  
Average Level is the line between the Purple (hatched) and Green (solid) bars**



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CAMBRIA SUSTAINABLE WATER FACILITY PROJECT

## Section 3 Potential Impacts

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The Cambria Emergency Water Supply Project San Simeon Creek Basin Groundwater Modeling Report (GMR) (CDM Smith, May 2014) (see Appendix A) and the Technical Memorandum – San Simeon Creek Flows (Technical Memorandum) (CDM Smith, October 16, 2016) (see Appendix B) concluded that the SWF would not result in a permanent change in groundwater extraction from CCSD well field and is not expected to result in significant impacts to groundwater levels or surface water flows within the Project area.

The SWF benefits the community by making more efficient use of existing water supplies. This is accomplished by a more efficient control of the hydraulic gradient between the well field and the downstream freshwater/ocean interface, and through indirect potable reuse. To avoid potential contamination of potable groundwater in the San Simeon Creek wells, the groundwater levels at the treated effluent percolation ponds are measured against the groundwater levels at the San Simeon Creek wells. Under normal conditions, there is a positive gradient from the San Simeon wells towards the downstream percolation ponds. During very dry conditions, this positive gradient can reverse as the groundwater level under the well field is lower during the latter part of the summer, prior to the onset of seasonal rainfall, which replenishes the groundwater under the well field. To avoid such a reverse gradient condition, when observed, operators revert to running well 9P7, a gradient control well within the percolation pond area, and releasing the pumped groundwater directly into Van Gordon Creek. This water percolates into the underlying groundwater, raising the groundwater levels, restoring the water mound, and restoring the positive gradient between the well field and downstream areas. However, a significant portion of the pumped water runs down Van Gordon Creek and is discharged to the ocean. This water is lost and no longer available. Besides the loss of water, this practice also lowers the up gradient fresh groundwater levels at the well field, which reduces freshwater storage during the critical late dry season when remaining supply would be near its annual minimum. With the SWF operating, water extracted from Well 9P7 at the percolation pond area is treated to drinking water quality levels and reinjected back into the groundwater near the San Simeon wells. Following re-injection, approximately 60 percent of the water travels underground to the existing San Simeon potable wells (SS1 or SS2), where groundwater is then pumped at a maximum allowable rate of 400 gpm back into the CCSD distribution system and reused. Based on hydraulic modeling, the remaining 40 percent of reinjected water either travels into the subterranean creek channel or recycles back to extraction Well 9P7.

In addition to providing more efficient control of the hydraulic gradient and providing reuse of an otherwise wasted resource, the SWF includes a PDF that delivers approximately 100 gpm of MF filtrate product water (identical to the source water quality) into the upstream end of the San Simeon Creek Lagoon to maintain groundwater levels during dry conditions. Based upon detailed hydrogeological analyses and modeling (GMR and Technical Memorandum), CDM Smith concluded that significant impacts to groundwater levels and surface water flows are not expected as a result of the SWF's groundwater pumping and the proposed reinjection program. Because there may still be some uncertainty or doubts on the potential for impacts to groundwater levels and surface water flows in the San Simeon Creek and San Simeon Creek Lagoon, the CCSD has implemented an Adaptive Management Program (AMP) as part of the Project to ensure that all the design elements are working

as intended. The AMP includes ongoing groundwater, surface water, and biological monitoring to verify that sensitive habitats and federally listed species are not being adversely affected by Project operations. These monitoring programs and reporting requirements are discussed more comprehensively below.

### **3.1 SUSTAINABLE WATER FACILITY PROJECT**

Groundwater, surface water, and biological monitoring were conducted during preliminary Project operations in 2015. Data gathered during these limited operations found the groundwater levels and surface flows were not significantly different than levels observed during the drought conditions. Further, no observations were made that indicated groundwater levels and surface flows were below the historic minimum average levels. No impacts to tidewater goby, California steelhead, or California red-legged frog were observed during 2015 Project operations. An assessment of habitat conditions and of the extant populations of California red-legged frog and tidewater goby showed high quality habitat and stable breeding populations. Although California steelhead was not observed in San Simeon Creek or San Simeon Creek Lagoon, habitat conditions were considered to be high quality. Although California steelhead can and does periodically occupy San Simeon Creek and Lagoon, it is not a perennial or seasonal inhabitant.

### **3.2 PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO THE SUSTAINABLE WATER FACILITY**

During groundwater, surface flows, and biological monitoring of the SWF Project, various modifications were identified to further avoid and reduce potential environmental impacts resulting from SWF operations. These are more comprehensively described within the SEIR and included decommissioning the evaporation pond and mechanical spray evaporators, and moving the surface discharge into San Simeon Creek further downstream towards the San Simeon Creek Lagoon.

#### **3.2.1 Groundwater Levels**

Repurposing the evaporation pond from storing the RO concentrate to a potable water supply storage basin to store untreated potable water indirectly provides greater protection of the existing groundwater supply by allowing CCSD operators to alternate the source of water supply between the two aquifer well fields (San Simeon and Santa Rosa), the SWF system, and the stored raw water in Van Gordon Reservoir. This redundancy aids in well recovery and maintaining groundwater basin storage, and will augment the groundwater supply in meeting unplanned drought conditions or the loss of a well due to mechanical failure. It also has the advantage of serving as possible dipping area for helicopters that may be used to fight wildland fires (e.g., a major event occurred in 2016 near the State Parks Hearst Castle that would have benefitted by having access to a water storage pond). The repurposed evaporation pond would be replenished by the San Simeon Well Field during the wet season and to maintain its readiness through minimal pumping to offset evaporative loss during the dry season. Repurposing the evaporation pond as a potable water supply storage basin, which will hold 6 to 7 million gallons, requires the use of the SWTF, primarily a containerized system, which would be designed to meet Water Board Division of Drinking Water requirements.

### **3.2.2 Surface Water Flows**

The SWF does not involve significant development of additional impervious surface areas (such as roadways, rooftops and parking lots) in previously undisturbed areas that would substantially increase runoff or substantially alter drainage patterns within the Project site or alter the course of San Simeon or Van Gordon Creeks. As shown on Exhibit 4, the existing and new water facilities are outside of the two creeks and upstream of the San Simeon Creek Lagoon, with the exception of the filtrate pipeline, which would be extended to relocate the discharge point further south to the San Simeon Creek bank.. This surface water discharge to the San Simeon Creek Lagoon is a permitted activity through the SWQRB Order No. R3-2100-0223. This permit allows the SWF to discharge 100 gpm of MF filtrate product water to the San Simeon Creek Lagoon as long as the discharge complies with permit requirements, based on the determination that this discharge is a low-threat discharge. Low-threat discharges are discharges that contain minimal amounts of pollutants and pose little or no threat to water quality and the environment. The surface discharge structure for the lagoon water would be located on the San Simeon Creek bank to provide more efficient delivery of water to the creek in order to maintain water levels in the lagoon for the purposes of maintaining biological resources. Armorflex lining would be used at the discharge point to protect the creek bank from erosion and allow for the continued growth of riparian vegetation.

### **3.3 HABITAT**

Based on the aforementioned discussion on groundwater and surface water, geo-hydrological modeling, permitting requirements, and AMP monitoring will ensure that the SWF Project will have a negligible effect on groundwater and surface water levels. The Project site supports instream and riparian habitats associated with San Simeon Creek and San Simeon Creek Lagoon. All of these habitats are expected to remain intact and only be influenced by annual fluctuations in groundwater and surface water levels associated with seasonal or climatic changes. SWF implementation is not expected to reduce the extent of naturally occurring habitats.

### **3.4 SPECIES**

Based on habitat requirements for specific species, availability and quality of habitats needed by sensitive species, and known distribution in and around the SWF Project site, it was determined that the following listed or sensitive species, which occur or have a high potential to occur in the Project area would not be adversely affected by Project implementation.

### ***California Red-legged Frog***

The California red-legged frog is a year-round resident in Simeon Creek, San Simeon Creek Lagoon and the adjacent steam side and upland habitats. An October 2014 survey by Michael Baker identified California red-legged frog population in the San Simeon Creek Lagoon and lower San Simeon Creek. Based on the surveys, it was estimated that up to 54 frogs were present. Overwintering tadpoles were not observed. The entire Project area is located within California red-legged frog Critical Habitat Unit SLO-2. As noted in the SWF Project Description, the discharge of the RO concentrate into an evaporation pond (Van Gordon Reservoir) would be discontinued/decommissioned. As part of Project modifications, the RO concentrate would, instead, be discharged to four Baker tanks with 17,640 gallon capacity per tank for onsite storage prior to offsite disposal. As noted above, based upon detailed hydrogeological analyses and modeling (GMR and Technical Memorandum), CDM Smith concluded that groundwater levels and surface water flows will not be adversely affected and no impacts to California red-legged frog habitat are expected to occur.

### ***Tidewater Goby***

The tidewater goby is a year-round resident of San Simeon Creek Lagoon and was observed by Michael Baker biologists in the San Simeon Creek Lagoon, which is designated Critical Habitat Unit SLO-5 for tidewater goby. As noted above, based upon detailed hydrogeological analyses and modeling (GMR and Technical Memorandum), CDM Smith concluded that groundwater levels and surface water flows will not be adversely affected and no impacts to tidewater goby habitat are expected to occur.

### ***Steelhead (South/Central California Coast Distinct Population Segment)***

Steelhead is federally listed as threatened and is designated by the CDFW as a California species of special concern. The population in the Project vicinity ranges from Santa Cruz County south to the Santa Maria River. Typical freshwater steelhead habitat consists of gravel-bottomed, fast-flowing, well-oxygenated rivers and streams. The life cycle of this species is such that adult steelhead return to San Simeon Creek from the ocean in winter and early spring to spawn upstream. As the dry season returns and the creek begins to dry into isolated pools, young steelhead fry will either move into deep pools upstream or move downstream into the lagoon to mature while the sandbar is closed. Juveniles will typically spend between one and three years maturing in a freshwater or estuarine environment before migrating out to sea. This species has been historically recorded to occur within San Simeon Creek and Lagoon and Van Gordon Creek. San Simeon Creek and Van Gordon Creek are part of the steelhead designated Critical Habitat unit that is located within the Estero Bay Hydrologic Unit. Although Michael Baker biologists did not observe steelhead in San Simeon Creek or San Simeon Creek Lagoon, there is a high potential for this species to occur. As noted above, based upon detailed hydrogeological analyses and modeling (GMR and Technical Memorandum), CDM Smith concluded that groundwater levels and surface water flows will not be adversely affected and no impacts to steelhead habitat are expected to occur.



### ***Two-striped Garter Snake***

The two-striped garter snake is designated by the CDFW as a California species of special concern. It is primarily an aquatic species and is typically found in or near permanent or semi-permanent water including creeks, pools, stockponds, and other areas. Surrounding vegetation is typically made up of chaparral, riparian woodland, and grassland. There is suitable habitat for this species in San Simeon Creek. While it is more likely to be found in the downstream sections where there is more water, it could occur throughout the creek. This species was not observed during Michael Baker's surveys of the Project area but has been recorded in this area in the past. As noted above, based upon detailed hydrogeological analyses and modeling (GMR and Technical Memorandum), CDM Smith concluded that groundwater levels and surface water flows will not be adversely affected and no impacts to two-striped garter snake habitat are expected to occur.

### ***Western Pond Turtle***

The western pond turtle is designated by the CDFW as a California species of special concern. It typically inhabits slow-moving streams, ponds, and marshes with exposed banks, logs, and other suitable locations for basking. Western pond turtle has been previously documented in San Simeon Creek and San Simeon Creek Lagoon. Suitable habitat is located within these two areas, particularly in the downstream reaches of San Simeon Creek where the creek substrate gives way from rocks to sandy or muddy bottoms. This species was not observed during Michael Baker's surveys of the Project area but has been recorded in this area in the past. As noted above, based upon detailed hydrogeological analyses and modeling (GMR and Technical Memorandum), CDM Smith concluded that groundwater levels and surface water flows will not be adversely affected and no impacts to western pond turtle habitat are expected to occur.

## Section 4      **Monitoring Program**

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As noted above, based upon detailed hydrogeological analyses and modeling (GMR and Technical Memorandum), CDM Smith concluded that groundwater levels and surface water flows would not be adversely affected by the Project and no impacts to habitats are expected to occur. Notwithstanding, given the complexity of the San Simeon Creek system and to further ensure that no impacts to habitat are occurring, the District proposed to develop and implement this Adaptive Management Plan (AMP). The following groundwater, surface water and biological monitoring programs will be implemented as a component of the SWF operations.

### **4.1 ESTABLISHING BASELINE CONDITIONS**

Key to an effective adaptive management program is establishing environmental baselines and conducting environmental and biological monitoring that would recognize and document any discernible changes in the physical or biological environment that could be attributable to Project implementation.

During the first year of monitoring following a year of average or greater precipitation, the focus will be to gather sufficient data at the monitoring stations to define the interaction between groundwater and surface water, and how this interaction has maintained the in-stream habitat, as well as the surrounding riparian habitat. Data collection (and analysis) will include groundwater and surface water data, habitat data, and species distribution data. This information will be combined with historical data recorded by CCSD as part of its regular operations and by biological monitoring and surveys. An analysis of the combined sets of data will be used to set the threshold or range of monitoring values beyond which would be viewed as a potential significant change in groundwater and surface water levels that could affect the habitats' extent and viability for supporting sensitive species, as well as the extent and distribution of these various sensitive species within the Project area.

Baseline data for groundwater and surface water gathered during the first year will be collected on a monthly basis. Surface water and groundwater data will include collecting available data from existing surface water monitoring stations, as well as measuring all indications of ponding or surface discharge within a 50-foot radius of the designated groundwater wells. Depth and duration of ponding will be recorded. The water budget for CCSD operations in the San Simeon aquifer will be compiled for correlation with the monitoring program. These data will include monthly averages for:

- Pumping from Wells SS1, SS2, SS3, and 9P7
- Inflow to the AWTP
- Injection into RIW-1
- Discharge of treated effluent from the WWTP to the percolation ponds
- Discharge of automatic strainer backwash and MF backwash from the SWTP to the percolation ponds
- MF filtrate product water from the AWTP to San Simeon Creek Lagoon

Should manually recorded information not be frequent enough, data loggers will be considered to record diurnal variations in water levels from wells that are adjacent to riparian areas.

### **Establishment of Thresholds**

At the end of the first year, once baseline conditions have been established, the interaction between groundwater levels, lagoon levels, and surface flows will be better understood. This information will then be used to determine specific thresholds that “trigger” additional investigation and/or adaptive management measures. The initial threshold that will be applied during the first year of monitoring will be the mean average of groundwater levels observed between 1988 and 2016, as shown in Exhibit 7 and discussed below.

## **4.2 GROUNDWATER**

A groundwater monitoring and management program will be established to track changes in groundwater levels within the Project area and relate any changes to SWF operations, natural events, or other man made conditions. Monitoring stations have been established within the adjacent riparian corridor that will allow for monitoring of groundwater levels. Wherever possible, the use of existing monitoring well data, including data routinely collected by the District, will be incorporated. During the initial monitoring year, groundwater data gathered from the GMR (CDM Smith, 2014) hydro-geological modeling efforts coupled with current data from a monitoring well or system of wells, will be used to establish baseline conditions against which future conditions can be compared. This information will be combined with historical groundwater data as recorded by CCSD. CCSD currently has 20 wells monitoring water levels for San Simeon Creek, 15 of which are within one mile of the Project’s proposed water extraction point (Well 9P7). Should the existing bi-monthly well reading practice prove to not be a frequent enough data collection interval, pressure transducers with data loggers will be installed at key wells. Although the CCSD will continue to take regular groundwater level measurements twice per month to include on comparison charts, having groundwater data available in 15-minute increments would more readily allow retrieval of up-to-date information, as needed. The CCSD will supply groundwater level data to the Biological Monitor on a monthly basis for evaluation and recommendations, as necessary.

Records show that the average groundwater levels in San Simeon Creek production wells between 1988 and 2014, as measured bimonthly, have been at approximately 20 feet amsl from February to May, gradually dropping each year in the late spring and summer to reach an average of only eight (8) feet amsl by October before gradually rising again (CCSD 2014). For purposes of this AMP and during Project operations, fluctuations in groundwater levels will be monitored monthly at all available monitoring wells. A drop in groundwater levels outside of historical average mean or below the 25th percentile levels, as shown in Exhibit 7, will be analyzed with the District’s hydrologist to determine if the drop in level is within the expected range or if further investigation is required.

#### **4.2.1 Water Quality**

CCSD's wastewater department currently monitors and analyzes water quality semiannually at Wells SS3, SS4, 9P7, 16D1, and 9N2 (installed originally by the USGS). Measurements are taken of depth to groundwater and groundwater elevation, nitrate/nitrogen, total dissolved solids, sodium, chloride, sulfate, boron, and water pH. The recent enrollment of the Project's mitigation water into the RWQCB's General NPDES Permit for low threat discharges will also create additional monitoring and water quality requirements. This information will be provided to the Biological Monitor for analysis and comparison with previous measurements. In addition, water quality will be evaluated based on its ability to provide suitable habitat for fish and other aquatic species.

#### **4.2.2 Impact Analysis**

CDM Smith's groundwater level modeling concluded that the SWF improved groundwater levels and lagoon conditions when compared to existing conditions, without SWF operations. From the modeling, it has been concluded that potential for impacts to groundwater levels from establishing the SWF will be low. However, monitoring and maintaining groundwater levels will be an integral part of this AMP.

Water quality is highly regulated by several existing RWQCB Orders for existing operations and proposed SWF Project operations. Because a rigorous program is in place and will continue with AMP implementation, no impacts associated with a decrease in water quality are expected. However, monitoring and maintaining water quality will be an integral part of this AMP.

### **4.3 SURFACE WATER**

Surface water flow is an integral component of providing suitable habitat for aquatic species. While tidewater goby and California red-legged frog require still water or minimal water flow to survive, steelhead trout requires water flow during most of its life stages, including adult migration, spawning, juvenile growth, overwintering, and juvenile migration (Smith undated). Steelhead have not been documented in San Simeon Creek and San Simeon Creek Lagoon in recent years.

To ensure that surface water flow is not adversely impacted by SWF operations, the AMP includes monitoring surface water levels in San Simeon Creek. It is recommended for ease, efficiency, and accuracy that stream flow be measured electronically with a flow meter, such as the Marsh McBirney Flo-Mate 2000. However, the SWF may only be operated when the adjacent reaches of San Simeon and Van Gordon Creeks are already dry, as these reaches only flow seasonally and are not perennial streams. Therefore, such monitoring may be more closely related to monitoring the San Simeon Creek Lagoon area during the dry season. It is noted, little if any flow will be observed during the dry portion of the year, if the beach berm is not open.

#### **4.3.1 Surface Water Flows**

Surface water flow should be measured at least twice each month at two-week intervals for the first year at the same time and in the same general location that the surface water level is measured. It is noted that there are tidal influences on the flow in the system, if the beach berm is open. Measurement periods would be required to specify the point in the tidal cycle when spot measurements are taken. Measurements will be taken in Van Gordon Creek, San Simeon Creek, and San Simeon Creek Lagoon,

as applicable. The information obtained during this measurement will be used to help determine habitat suitability for fish species. Typical flow rates will be determined over the course of the first year of monitoring in order to determine baseline flow rates for future benchmarking. Following the first year, measurements shall be taken on a quarterly basis but coordinated with the wet and dry seasons.

### **4.3.2 Surface Water Levels**

San Simeon Creek originates in the Santa Lucia Range and runs for approximately 8.5 miles before draining into San Simeon Creek Lagoon. Upstream of the confluence with Steiner Creek it is perennial.<sup>1</sup> As such, it receives significant surface flow each year, much of which dries up in the late spring and summer. Historical biological survey reports for lower San Simeon Creek and San Simeon Creek Lagoon will be used to help characterize the annual water cycles (temporally) and inundation patterns (geographically) in these water bodies. In addition, CCSD will coordinate with applicable agencies and organizations to identify key surface water monitoring stations for collection of historical data and active monitoring data.

CCSD staff gages are present in San Simeon Creek. However the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control District maintains a former USGS gaging station, which is located between the San Simeon well field and the proposed AWTP. The County data for this station is also available online via their website. Manual staff gages are used for quick visual recording of the height of surface water in water bodies. Where appropriate and as part of this AMP, and in consultation with the Biological Monitor and the CCSD hydrologist, additional staff gages will be installed in Van Gordon Creek, San Simeon Creek, and San Simeon Creek Lagoon for the future measurement of surface water levels. Gages will be placed at easily accessible locations to facilitate efficient and cost-effective gage checks. It is recommended that they be placed in areas where it is convenient to simultaneously measure water levels and stream flow. Surface water levels will be measured twice per month at two-week intervals for the first year of AMP implementation. Historical data will be used to establish baseline surface water levels for future monitoring. Following the first year, measurements shall be taken on a quarterly basis.

### **4.3.4 Impact Analysis**

Based upon detailed hydrogeological analyses and modeling (GMR and Technical Memorandum), CDM Smith concluded that the SWF improved surface water flows and surface levels in the San Simeon Creek Lagoon when compared to existing conditions, without SWF operations. From the analyses and modeling, it has been concluded that potential for impacts to surface flows and surface water levels from SWF operations will be low. However, monitoring and maintaining surface water flows and surface water levels will be an integral part of this AMP.

## **4.4 HABITATS**

In addition to tracking changes in groundwater and surface water within the Project area, the AMP will focus on monitoring the extent and viability of the in-stream and riparian habitat associated with Van Gordon Creek, San Simeon Creek, and San Simeon Creek Lagoon. This includes the measurement of

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<sup>1</sup> Based on the USGS report of monitoring of the Palmer Flats gage, which is near the confluence, the stream is dry for about half the year.

wetted width, wetted depth, water flow, and soil moisture levels in the riparian habitat. These measurements will in turn help assess the suitability of the habitat to support listed species known to occur in the Project vicinity.

The riparian forest within the immediate vicinity of groundwater and surface water monitoring stations will be directly monitored to detect changes in soil moisture levels as well as vegetative composition. For areas that exhibit groundwater at or near the surface, groundwater is the primary source of water for the riparian vegetation at that location. Similarly, for areas with consistent surface discharge, but with lower groundwater elevations, vegetation depends mostly on surface water. Undoubtedly, some areas obtain water from both sources, and this is likely to vary within a single year and also from year to year depending on a variety of factors, making the determination of definitive baseline conditions difficult. Based on Michael Baker's understanding of the interaction of groundwater levels and surface flows, a combination of severe and rapid groundwater drawdown greater than several feet, coupled with a corresponding loss of surface flows, would be required before soil moisture within the rooting zone of the riparian habitat would decrease enough to cause adverse impacts to the riparian plants and ultimately a reduction in riparian forest.

The proposal to collect groundwater, surface water, and soil moisture data will provide important information on vegetative response to changing conditions. In addition to collecting these data, it is recommended that three separate CRAM surveys be conducted of Van Gordon Creek, lower San Simeon Creek, and San Simeon Creek Lagoon. CRAM is a rapid assessment method used to monitor California's wetlands by assessing the ambient conditions within watersheds and assigning numerical scores based on physical and biotic features. CRAM surveys have previously been conducted in upper San Simeon Creek Lagoon (upstream of Van Gordon Creek Road) in 2005 and 2007. By conducting new or updated CRAM surveys of Van Gordon Creek, lower San Simeon Creek, and San Simeon Creek Lagoon, baseline physical conditions can be obtained to compare against in the future. CRAM surveys shall be conducted annually to provide long-term pictures of the potentially changing conditions within this watershed.

Available fish habitat can also be determined on a relative scale using quantitative measurements such as temperature and available dissolved oxygen. These water characteristics can be measured with oxygen and salinity meters. According to annual studies commissioned by the CCSO between 1991 and 2005, tidewater goby has been observed to be generally more tolerant of adverse ambient conditions. Tidewater goby can spawn at salinities ranging from 5 to 10 parts per thousand (ppt) and can survive in temperatures ranging from 18 up to 27° Celsius (C) and only 1 part per million (ppm) of dissolved oxygen (DO).

However, steelhead trout require more restrictive aquatic conditions in order to survive. Based upon years of annual steelhead surveys funded by CCSO on San Simeon Creek, optimal conditions for steelhead trout in San Simeon Creek are believed to be salinity of less than 10 ppt, water temperatures below 22°C, and dissolved oxygen of greater than 5 ppm. While steelhead can survive at DO concentrations as low as 1-2 ppm, this is generally only for a very short period of time and typically only in the morning when temperature is low and DO is at its lowest due to overnight algal respiration. Algae conduct photosynthesis during the day when the sun is out, consuming carbon dioxide and producing high amounts of oxygen. At night the opposite trend occurs with photorespiration: algae

consume and can nearly deplete oxygen while simultaneously producing high levels of carbon dioxide, thus leading to substantially lower DO levels overnight and into early morning. Steelhead ecology is such that these temporary nightly drops in DO are tolerable because the temperature is generally cooler and metabolic rate is reduced; as water temperature increases over the course of the day, fish metabolic rates increase (generally doubling with each 10°C increase in water temperature) and they require more oxygen. It is estimated that steelhead would be able to survive for only 15-30 minutes with 1-2 ppm DO and at a water temperature of 18-20°C. Thus, steelhead cannot persist for extended periods of time with low DO and high temperatures.

Available habitat for California red-legged frog and other aquatic herpetofauna can similarly be determined. California red-legged frog lays eggs in water that is usually less than 16°C, with a maximum salinity tolerance of 9 ppt for adults and 6 ppt for embryos (Cook 1997). Western pond turtle occurs in brackish estuaries or freshwater (Lovich undated), preferring temperatures between 15°C and 39-40°C and generally not occurring in water that is outside of this range (Jennings and Hayes 1994). By measuring the appropriate aquatic data, as described above, general suitability for monitored species can be determined.

The above habitat measurements will be measured and evaluated twice a month for the first year at two-week intervals along with all other measurements. Following the first year, habitat will be evaluated on an annual basis.

## **4.5 SPECIES**

Tidewater goby, steelhead trout, and California red-legged frog have been known to occur in lower San Simeon Creek and/or San Simeon Creek Lagoon since at least the early 1990s, and much earlier for steelhead due to artificial fish stocking. From 1992 to 2006, the CCSD commissioned in-house surveys for tidewater goby and steelhead in lower San Simeon Creek and San Simeon Creek Lagoon. Tidewater goby was surveyed semiannually, while steelhead was surveyed annually. CCSD has not regularly commissioned California red-legged frog surveys, but this species has instead been surveyed for on an as-needed basis for research and management requirements, particularly by biologists representing and funded by the USGS Piedras Blancas Research Station.

### **4.5.1 Monitoring Program**

Historically, tidewater goby surveys have been conducted in San Simeon Creek Lagoon in early summer and early fall to measure the species' status immediately after sandbar closure and immediately before the sandbar opens again. Steelhead has been surveyed for in lower San Simeon Creek in the summer after young steelhead had hatched. To monitor the presence or absence of listed species, it is necessary to continue conducting surveys for them following Project implementation. Surveys for these two species should continue to be conducted during these same time periods in order to capture consistent data with what has historically been evaluated and to continue building a database of fish presence in these water bodies.

As part of this AMP, visual surveys for California red-legged frog should be conducted on a regular basis in February/March and again in August/September. It is recommended that the first surveys be conducted in early February; if breeding (e.g. observation of amplexus, aural detection of mating



calls, presence of egg masses, or presence of tadpoles) is not documented during these surveys, a second round of surveys should be conducted three (3) weeks later.

#### 4.6 GROUNDWATER MODEL DEVELOPMENT

Data obtained during the aforementioned monitoring actions, particularly those described in Sections 4.1 through 4.2 above, will be used to calibrate the groundwater model that will assist in tracking condition changes in San Simeon Creek, San Simeon Creek Lagoon, and Van Gordon Creek. Baseline data obtained during the first monitoring year will be combined with historical data to determine regular and expected habitat measurements at all times of the year. These data will be used to determine thresholds at which management changes will be required while the facility is in operation.

In order to determine the point at which creek outflow may be adjusted or other management actions may be implemented to avoid impacts to listed species, it is necessary to determine the thresholds at which the potential for an adverse impact would need to be evaluated. Unless otherwise attributable to natural causes, or anthropogenic activities by riparian users upstream and apart from the CCSD-controlled property within the watershed (e.g., an agricultural accident leading to a chemical spill), should any of the following conditions be documented during regular surveys or otherwise during creek monitoring, management actions shall be required:

- Unexplained deaths or die-offs of tidewater goby, steelhead trout, and/or California red-legged frog;
- Early closure of the San Simeon Creek Lagoon sandbar due to dropping water levels;
- Failure of California red-legged frog egg masses due to desiccation;
- Unexplained changes in population levels of these species;
- Project-related drop in groundwater levels below previous historic minimum levels causing impacts to riparian habitat;<sup>2</sup>
- Decrease in lagoon surface water levels below historic minimums.<sup>3</sup>

As a PDF, approximately 100 gpm of MF filtrate product water (identical to the source water quality) would be discharged from the SWF into upper San Simeon Creek Lagoon when the SWF is in operation. Using the monitoring methods provided within this AMP, if it is found that riparian vegetation, creek or lagoon water levels, and/or species population numbers surpass the thresholds established in this document or those established based on the first year of monitoring, the CCSD may increase the treated water being provided, adjust facility operations, or suspend facility operations until conditions are once again deemed acceptable.

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<sup>2</sup> Water levels are anticipated to drop every year regardless of Project operations. Therefore, should the lowering of groundwater levels be associated with riparian habitat impacts, management actions may include, but not be limited to: artificially increasing the soil moisture content around riparian plants; periodically alternating which percolation basin is in operation; reducing extractions; increasing the mitigation water flow; or, some combination of these approaches.

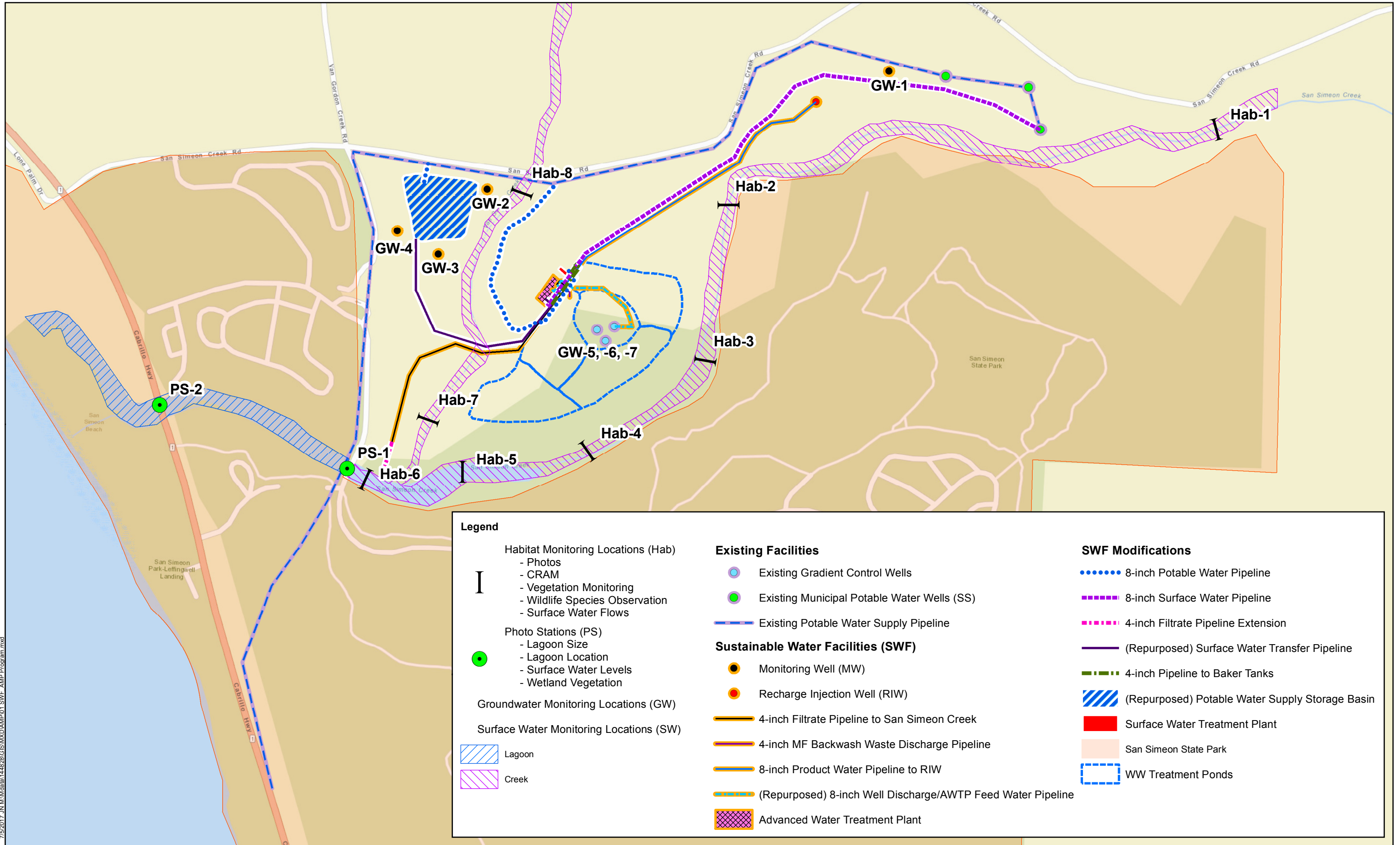
<sup>3</sup> It is noted, surface water flows will need to be correlated to rainfall. No flow is anticipated during the dry season.

## Section 5 Implementation

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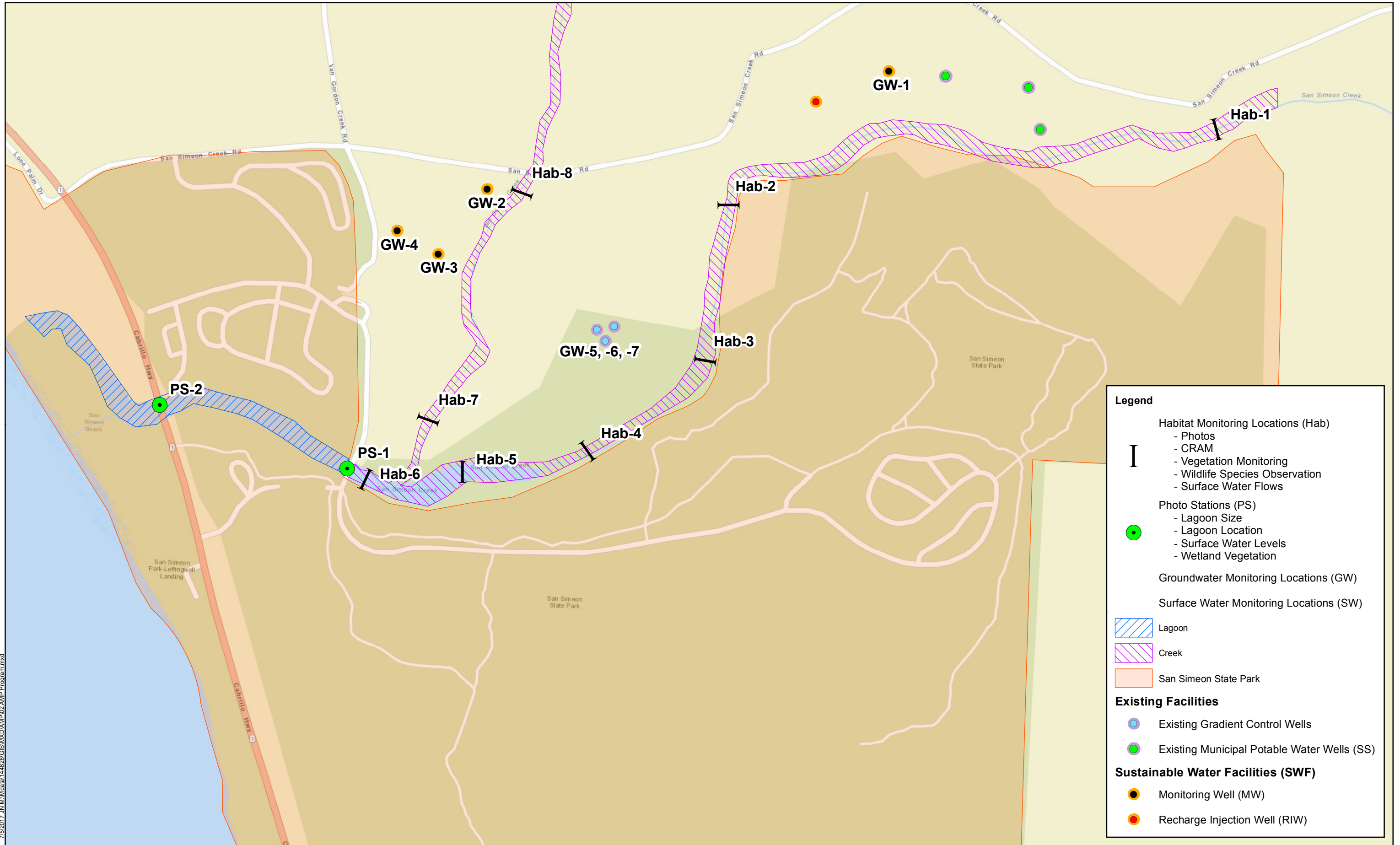
In an effort to ensure there are no impacts to habitat or species occurring in San Simeon Creek, Van Gordon Creek, and San Simeon Creek Lagoon, the AMP includes a groundwater, surface water, and biological monitoring program. The following monitoring procedures/implementation recommendations are proposed to effectively monitor groundwater levels, groundwater quality, surface water levels, surface water flows, and biological resources within CCSD lands associated with the SWF. Due to the proximity of the San Simeon State Park (see Exhibits 8 and 9), care will be taken to not encroach into the San Simeon State Park. Exhibit 8 shows the locations of the CCSD's existing facilities and the proposed Project modifications, as well as the proposed monitoring locations for groundwater, surface water, and instream and riparian habitats. Exhibit 9 shows only each of the proposed monitoring locations.

1. During this first full year of monitoring, the focus will be to gather sufficient data at the various monitoring stations (see Exhibit 9) to define the interaction between groundwater and surface water and how it may affect the in-stream habitat and surrounding riparian habitat.
2. Data collection (and analysis) will include groundwater and surface water, habitat, and species distribution data. This information will be combined with historical data recorded by CCSD as part of its regular operations and by previous biological monitoring and surveys. An analysis of the combined set of data will be used to set the threshold or range of monitoring values beyond which would be viewed as a potential significant change in groundwater and surface water levels that could affect the extent and viability habitat for supporting sensitive species.
3. Once sufficient data has been gathered, it will be used to determine specific thresholds that “trigger” additional investigation/adaptive management measures. Records show that the average groundwater levels in San Simeon Creek production wells between 1988 and 2014 have been at approximately 20 feet above mean sea level (amsl) from February to May, gradually dropping each year in the late spring and summer to reach an average of only eight (8) feet amsl by October before gradually rising again (CCSD 2014). For purposes of the AMP, a drop in groundwater levels outside of historical average mean or below the 25th percentile levels, as shown in Exhibit 9, will be analyzed with the CCSD's hydrogeologist to determine if the drop in level is within the expected range or if further investigation is required.
4. Several groundwater monitoring stations have already been established within the existing well field and within adjacent riparian habitat areas that will allow for monitoring of groundwater levels (see Exhibits 9). Access to the data from these monitoring wells will be incorporated into the AMP groundwater monitoring process. Should the existing bi-monthly well reading practice prove to not be a frequent enough data collection interval, pressure transducers with data loggers will be installed at key monitoring wells. Although the CCSD will continue to take regular groundwater level measurements twice per month to include on comparison charts, having groundwater data available in 15-minute increments would more readily allow retrieval of up-to-date information as needed. Groundwater level data will be supplied to the Biological Monitor on a monthly basis for evaluation and recommendations as necessary.



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**Legend**

**Habitat Monitoring Locations (Hab)**

- Photos
- CRAM
- Vegetation Monitoring
- Wildlife Species Observation
- Surface Water Flows

**Photo Stations (PS)**

- Lagoon Size
- Lagoon Location
- Surface Water Levels
- Wetland Vegetation

**Groundwater Monitoring Locations (GW)**

**Surface Water Monitoring Locations (SW)**

- Lagoon
- Creek
- San Simeon State Park

**Existing Facilities**

- Existing Gradient Control Wells
- Existing Municipal Potable Water Wells (SS)

**Sustainable Water Facilities (SWF)**

- Monitoring Well (MW)
- Recharge Injection Well (RIW)

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5. Surface water flow is an integral component of providing suitable habitat for aquatic species. While tidewater goby and California red-legged frog require still water or minimal water flow to survive, steelhead trout requires water flow during most of its life stages, including adult migration, spawning, juvenile growth, overwintering, and juvenile migration (Smith undated). Steelhead have not been documented in San Simeon Creek, Van Gordon, or San Simeon Creek Lagoon in recent years. It is recommended for ease, efficiency, and accuracy that stream flow be measured electronically with a flow meter, such as the Marsh McBirney Flo-Mate 2000.
6. Surface water flow will be measured at least twice each month at two-week intervals for first year at the same time and in the same general location that the surface water level is measured. It is noted, that there is a tidal influence on the system's flow, if the beach berm is open. Measurement periods would be required to specify the point in the tidal cycle when spot measurements are taken. Measurements will be taken in Van Gordon Creek, San Simeon Creek, and San Simeon Creek Lagoon, as applicable. The information obtained during this measurement will be used to help determine habitat suitability for fish species. Typical flow rates will be determined over the course of the first year of monitoring in order to determine baseline flow rates for future benchmarking. Following the first year, measurements will be taken on a quarterly basis but coordinated with the wet and dry seasons.
7. Historical biological survey reports for lower San Simeon Creek and San Simeon Creek Lagoon will be used to help characterize the annual water cycles (temporally) and inundation patterns (geographically) in San Simeon Creek, Van Gordon Creek and San Simeon Creek Lagoon. CCSD has established surface water flow monitoring stations that will continue to be used. In addition, CCSD will coordinate with applicable agencies and organizations to identify other key surface water monitoring stations for collection of historical data and active monitoring data. A small section of the San Simeon Creek Lagoon (approximately the uppermost 230 feet) is located within the Project site; the remaining downstream portion continues offsite to the west onto State Parks lands and then to San Simeon State Beach. Surface flow measurements will be taken in San Simeon Creek Lagoon within CCSD property. Surface flow measurements cannot be taken in San Simeon Creek Lagoon within State Park lands. Two or more photos stations will be established within CCSD property that will be used to video flows within the lagoon. The video will be used to qualitatively estimate flow rates for the lagoon by correlating estimated lagoon surface flow rates with quantitatively measured flow rates taken at monitoring stations on CCSD lands as well as using historic records. Exhibit 9 shows two potential surface flow photo monitoring locations for San Simeon Creek Lagoon.
8. CCSD currently measures surface flow levels using manual staff gages for quick visual recordings of the height of surface water in water bodies. Where appropriate and as part of the AMP, and in consultation with the Biological Monitor and the CCSD hydrogeologist, additional staff gages will be installed in Van Gordon Creek and San Simeon Creek for the future measurement of surface water levels. Gages will be placed at easily accessible locations to facilitate efficient and cost-effective gage checks. Surface water levels will be measured twice per month at two-week intervals for the first year of AMP implementation. Historical data will be used to establish baseline surface water levels for future monitoring. Following the first year, measurements shall be taken on a quarterly basis. Surface water levels for San



Simeon Creek Lagoon will be estimated from collecting visual representations of surface levels in the lagoon from the two or more selected photo/video monitoring stations (see Exhibit 9). Data collected for San Simeon Creek Lagoon will also be correlated with historic previously collected by the CCSD within the lagoon.

9. In addition to tracking changes in groundwater and surface water within the Project area, the AMP focuses on monitoring the extent and viability of the in-stream and riparian habitat associated with Van Gordon Creek and San Simeon Creek. This includes the measurement of wetted width, wetted depth, water flow, and soil moisture levels in the riparian habitat. These measurements will in turn help assess the habitat's suitability to support listed species known to occur in the Project vicinity.

Data collected for groundwater, surface water, and soil moisture will provide important information on vegetative response to changing conditions. In addition to collecting these data, it is recommended that separate CRAM surveys be conducted of San Simeon Creek, Van Gordon Creek, and San Simeon Creek Lagoon at selected locations. Exhibit 9 shows eight (8) potential locations along the San Simeon Creek and Van Gordon Creeks and upper reach of San Simeon Creek Lagoon. CRAM surveys have previously been conducted in upper San Simeon Creek Lagoon (upstream of Van Gordon Creek Road) in 2005 and 2007, and by SWCA in 2015. By conducting new or updated CRAM surveys of Van Gordon Creek and San Simeon Creek baseline physical conditions can be obtained for future comparisons. CRAM surveys shall be conducted annually at the same time each year to provide long-term photos of the potentially changing conditions within this watershed.

10. CCSD's wastewater department currently monitors and analyzes groundwater quality semiannually at Wells SS3, SS4, 9P7, 16DI, and 9N2 (installed originally by the USGS). Measurements are taken of depth to groundwater and groundwater elevation, nitrate/nitrogen, total dissolved solids, sodium, chloride, sulfate, boron, and water pH. The recent enrollment of the Project Design Feature's filtrate product water flow to the San Simeon Creek Lagoon into the RWQCB's General NPDES permit for low threat discharges will also create additional monitoring and water quality requirements. This information will be provided to the Biological Monitor for analysis and comparison with previous measurements and to assist in assessing the suitability of instream habitats for fish and other aquatic species.
11. Available fish habitat can also be determined on a relative scale using quantitative measurements in the instream habitats taken at selected stations within San Simeon Creek and Van Gordon Creek. Water quality measurements will be taken within San Simeon Creek Lagoon at the confluence of San Simeon Creek and San Simeon Creek Lagoon within CCSD property. By measuring the appropriate aquatic data, as described below, general suitability for monitored species can be determined.
  - a. According to annual studies commissioned by the CCSD between 1991 and 2005, tidewater goby has been observed to be generally more tolerant of adverse ambient conditions. Tidewater goby can spawn at salinities ranging from 5 to 10 parts per

thousand (ppt) and can survive in temperatures ranging from 18 up to 27° Celsius (C) and only 1 part per million (ppm) of dissolved oxygen (DO).

- b.** Steelhead trout require more restrictive aquatic conditions in order to survive. Optimal conditions for steelhead trout in San Simeon Creek are believed to be salinity of less than 10 ppt, water temperatures below 22°C, and dissolved oxygen of greater than 5 ppm.
  - c.** California red-legged frog lays eggs in water that is usually less than 16°C, with a maximum salinity tolerance of 9 ppt for adults and 6 ppt for embryos (Cook 1997).
- 12.** Habitat measurements will be measured and evaluated twice a month for the first year at two-week intervals along with all other measurements. Following the first year, habitat will be evaluated on a quarterly basis.
- 13.** Historically, tidewater goby surveys were conducted in San Simeon Creek Lagoon in early summer and early fall. Steelhead were surveyed for in lower San Simeon Creek in the summer. Surveys for these two species should continue to be conducted during these same time periods, within San Simeon Creek Lagoon (on CCSD land) just downstream of the confluence of San Simeon Creek and San Simeon Creek Lagoon, in order to ensure consistency of the data with historic data and to continue building a database of fish presence in these water bodies.
- 14.** Visual surveys for California red-legged frog in lower San Simeon Creek should be conducted on a regular basis in February/March and again in August/September.



## Section 6 Adaptive Management Process

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This AMP is a surface water, groundwater, and biological monitoring program designed to detect potential impacts to sensitive biological resources. As a second step, the plan will provide adaptive management or corrective measures to the SWF Project to ensure that potential adverse changes, if noted, are immediately corrected. This will ensure that the SWF Project will not result in significant adverse impacts to the riparian habitat in San Simeon Creek, San Simeon Creek Lagoon, and Van Gordon Creek. Integral to the effectiveness of an adaptive management program is the preparation of monthly, quarterly, and annual reports covering times when the SWF is in operation, which will examine and document changes in groundwater and surface water levels, water quality, in-stream and riparian habitats that could affect sensitive species within the Project area.

For the first year of monitoring, the Biological Monitor will prepare and submit to the CCSD a monthly report that will discuss any notable changes in conditions. If any conditions show adverse changes, i.e., exceed the established threshold levels, the report will suggest remedial actions to take. If the site conditions are all shown to be within an acceptable range of variation, the report will note this as such. The report will be equivalent to a memo report or a short letter report for quick analysis of monthly conditions. Following the first year, the report will be compiled on a quarterly basis.

At the end of the first year and all subsequent years, the Biological Monitor will prepare an annual report for submittal to CCSD, which would be made available to the CDFW, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS). The annual report will identify:

- Periods of SWF Project operations;
- Specific parameters that were monitored during the year;
- Any noted changes in the quality or extent of instream and riparian habitats in Van Gordon Creek, San Simeon Creek, or San Simeon Creek Lagoon;
- Any noted changes in the populations of the monitored species in Van Gordon Creek, San Simeon Creek, and San Simeon Creek Lagoon;
- Additional factors that could affect the long-term sustainability of sensitive habitats and monitored species populations within Van Gordon Creek, San Simeon Creek, and San Simeon Creek Lagoon, and that merit inclusion in the monitoring program; and
- Specific management measures that should be considered to minimize potential effects of the SWF Project operations on the groundwater and surface water levels, instream and riparian habitats, and monitored species.

Depending upon the actual periods when the SWF Project operates, monitoring each year will normally occur from September 1 through August 31 of the following year. The collected monitoring data will be analyzed during the month of November and presented to a CCSD- predetermined oversight committee each December for review, including preliminary interpretation of data, recommendations for hydrologic and biological monitoring in the coming year and, if necessary, adaptive management measures to correct potential adverse conditions. The annual report shall provide results of the data collection, an interpretation of results, and recommendations for changes to the monitoring program. Recommended changes to monitoring procedures and/or other adaptive management actions will be

decided upon prior to February 15 of each year. Table 2, *Annual Report Outline for the Cambria Sustainable Water Facility Project Adaptive Management Plan*, provides an outline of the annual report’s required elements.

**Table 2: Annual Report Outline for the Cambria Sustainable Water Facility Project Adaptive Management Plan**

Annual Report Format
<p><b>Introduction</b> Briefly mention the monitoring programs conducted that year, the type of data, and the intended use of these data.</p> <p><b>Methods</b> Describe the methodology for each monitoring program conducted that year in sufficient detail to ensure repeatability. Describe the analyses used to generate the results from each set of data.</p> <p><b>Results</b> The results section presents the collected data in consistent format (tabular and/or graphic). Note changes in surface flows and groundwater levels and any changes in riparian habitat at each of the monitoring sites.</p> <p><b>Discussion</b> Provide an analysis of the collected data and discuss whether any observed changes and/or trends are within natural variation or indicative of unexpected and adverse effects from the loss of surface water or changes in groundwater levels. If changes in surface water and/or groundwater are determined to be outside natural variation, assess whether they are related to changes in the riparian forest in surrounding riparian habitat.</p> <p><b>Conclusions</b> The conclusion should be a succinct summary of the results, interpretation of the data analysis including noted changes or identified trends, recommendations for modifications to the monitoring program, and recommendations for adaptive management actions.</p> <p><b>References</b> Appendix A Groundwater Monitoring Data Appendix B Surface Water Flow Monitoring Data Appendix C Surface Water Level Monitoring Data Appendix D Riparian Vegetation Monitoring Data Appendix E In-stream and Fish Habitat Monitoring Data Appendix F Species Survey Data</p>

## Section 7 Process to Revise the AMP

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The unique challenge associated with monitoring arises from the need to identify potential adverse effects in a timely manner, such that remedial measures can be implemented before significant adverse impacts (e.g., die off of areas of riparian habitat or of listed species) occur. As described in Section 2, the goal of this Plan is to determine, through monitoring of appropriate early indicators (groundwater levels, surface water flows, riparian habitat condition), that actions related to Project operations are not on a trajectory to cause harm to in-stream and riparian resources in lower San Simeon Creek, San Simeon Creek Lagoon, or Van Gordon Creek.

The annual collection of data will provide a picture of the seasonal trends and, after a number of years, longer-term trends in groundwater and surface water levels in these water bodies, as well as the associated health of the in-stream and riparian habitats based on visual observations of the extent and overall health of the in-stream habitat and riparian vegetation using aerial photographs and photo documentation. Section 2 above describes each indicator to be monitored, the expected range of measurements during the course of a single annual monitoring period, and levels of deviation from the previous monitoring period that would be considered outside natural variation, thus triggering the need for a more detailed assessment of in-stream habitat and riparian vegetation (in-stream measurements, CRAM surveys, detailed examination of aerial photographs, and ground level photo documentation).

All of the above data will be included in the annual report, including any noted change in monitoring levels. This report will also assess whether the noted change can be attributed to other causes independent of the Project, or if the change is thought to represent an adverse response to the Project's ongoing groundwater extraction activities. If a change is determined to be an adverse response to the ongoing groundwater pumping, recommendations for correcting the deviation will be included in the annual report and submitted to CCSD for their review and evaluation as part of the monitoring and annual reporting process under this AMP.

Recommendations for revisions to the monitoring and the adaptive management program, including groundwater, surface water, and biological monitoring, as well as suggested corrective measures to Project-related activities, will be evaluated and considered by CCSD during their reviews of the annual report. Linking recommendations for budgeting to the reporting process will facilitate funding of any needed changes to the monitoring program and adaptive management process.

All monitoring results, suggested revisions to the monitoring program, recommendations for corrective actions related to the groundwater extraction (adaptive management measures), and comments will be presented to the District in the annual report for future monitoring and management decisions. Following District review, suggested revisions or corrective measures will be made and noted in the AMP, including changes to the monitoring program. A final annual report will be prepared and made available to CDFW and USFWS.

## Section 8 Corrective Measures

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The development and implementation of this AMP will ensure that the SWF Project operations do not significantly adversely impact the riparian habitat of the lagoon and adjacent reaches of San Simeon Creek and Van Gordon Creek and the associated wildlife species. The following potential mitigation measures are suggested for evaluation in the event that significant and adverse deviations and/or trends are noted in San Simeon Creek, San Simeon Creek Lagoon, and/or Van Gordon Creek as part of the annual monitoring program:

- **Limit operations to dry season periods when there is no surface water flow in San Simeon Creek and Van Gordon Creek.** As proposed, the SWF is intended to augment water supplies during the dry season. The adjacent lower creek reaches are not perennial and typically dry up by mid-summer of each year. Under such dry conditions, steelhead and related species of concern would likely be limited to the San Simeon Creek Lagoon area. The Project's PDF (i.e., approximately 100 gpm MF filtrate product water) is intended to protect the lagoon area while the SWF is in operation and there is no flow occurring in San Simeon Creek.
- **Adjustments to SWF Operations.** The amount of groundwater being removed by the SWF may need to be temporarily reduced or suspended should monitoring determine potentially adverse riparian impacts were projected to occur. This measure should be considered if groundwater and/or surface water levels substantially drop to levels outside of historical ranges and significantly impact habitat. If conditions begin to improve and once again fall within the acceptable range, the amount of groundwater being pumped by the SWF at that time should be considered for subsequent pumping regime levels to avoid repetitive occurrences.
- **Changes in the quantity of treated water that is returned to San Simeon Creek Lagoon.** While the SWF is in operation and during times when there is no flow occurring in the San Simeon Creek, the CCSD will return approximately 100 gpm of treated riparian water to the San Simeon Creek Lagoon. It may be necessary to increase the amount of water that is returned into the lagoon by increasing the amount of water that is discharged or adjusting SWF operations to pump less. This measure should be considered if surface water levels or riparian health decrease below what is considered acceptable due to SWF operations. If conditions begin to improve and once again fall within the acceptable range given annual site conditions, the amount of water being returned to San Simeon Creek Lagoon at that time should be adjusted to avoid repetitive occurrences.
- **Increase soil moisture content for riparian plants.** Should plants along the riparian corridor exhibit stress due to a lowering of groundwater levels, irrigation to increase soil moisture content may be deployed. This adaptive measure may include the use of a water truck or above ground irrigation piping to increase soil moisture content. Additionally, the CCSD may periodically alternate which percolation basin they are using in order to place percolated water closest to plant areas showing signs of stress. The CCSD has historically needed to operate

only one of its four existing percolation basins at any given time. Therefore, some operating flexibility exists concerning which percolation basin is placed into operation.

- **Design and implementation of additional biological monitoring measures.** In the event that negative trends are not reversible with the above measures, additional monitoring measures may be required to reverse such negative trends. Such measures would be identified and described in the annual monitoring report.

## Section 9      Conclusions

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Adherence to the proper implementation of the AMP, which requires long-term monitoring, including monitoring groundwater levels, surface water levels/flows, in-stream and riparian habitat, and presence of listed species, will ensure that no impacts to habitat or species occurs in San Simeon Creek and San Simeon Creek Lagoon. Based on the results of the biological monitoring and any noted adverse changes in these habitats, SWF operations will be adjusted such that the amount of treated water that is re-injected into the system, is either increased or decreased to restore affected habitat features. It is expected that the filtrate product water flow returned at any time would be approximately 100 gallons per minute (gpm), as deemed necessary.

The PDF's approximate 100 gpm riparian flow is discharged into the upper San Simeon Creek Lagoon area for species and habitat protection. The TM ([Appendix B](#)) includes an analysis of instream flows, which supports the conclusion that the approximate 100 gpm flow rate would be sufficient to maintain habitat within the San Simeon Creek and San Simeon Creek Lagoon. The GMR ([Appendix A](#)) includes the detailed results of this hydrogeological modeling. The GMR found that while the SWF is operating, the PDF's 100 gpm of filtrate product water flow discharged to the San Simeon Creek Lagoon would maintain water levels in the lagoon, thereby avoiding potential impacts to lagoon habitat. Further, the TM concluded that under normal climatic conditions, flows of 50 gpm, which would be one-half of the 100 gpm flow, would be sufficient to maintain lagoon levels similar to conditions without the SWF. The TM also included simulations under extreme drought conditions, comparing the zero (0) gpm, 50 gpm, and 100 gpm flow to conditions without the SWF. During the first year of simulated drought, the 100 gpm flow would maintain lagoon levels similar to conditions without the SWF. During the second year of simulated drought, both the 50 gpm and 100 gpm flows would result in higher lagoon levels than conditions without the SWF. Under extreme drought conditions without the SWF, the CCSD well field would not be capable of producing the permitted quantities, while under conditions with the SWF, production at permitted rates could continue. Based on the GMR's and TM's findings, while the SWF is operating, the PDF's approximate 100 gpm filtrate product water flow to the San Simeon Creek Lagoon would maintain water levels in the lagoon. Notwithstanding, the AMP is a security measure to monitor and protect the lagoon, creek, and riparian habitats and, by extension, protect the species that inhabit them. The AMP's primary goal is to monitor the response of the lagoon, creeks, and riparian habitats to SWF operations. Monitoring is required to ensure that creek and lagoon levels are maintained during SWF operations. The GMR and TM analyses concluded that the 100 gpm flow provides greater protection to the San Simeon Creek Lagoon area than a no project alternative would offer. Therefore, given the GMR and TM findings, and the long-term monitoring required, the lagoon, creek, and riparian habitats and, by extension, the species that inhabit them would be protected.

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July 29, 2024

James Green, Utilities Department Manager  
Cambria Community Service District  
1316 Tamson Drive  
Cambria, CA 93428  
*Submitted via email: JGreen@cambriacsd.org*

**Re: Cambria Community Services District Water Reclamation Facility Coastal Development Permit Assistance Change Order Request #1 / 84192**

Dear Mr. Green:

SWCA Environmental Consultants (SWCA) appreciates the opportunity to continue working with you on the proposed Cambria Community Services District's Water Reclamation Facility in San Luis Obispo County, California. At this time SWCA is requesting the Community Services District (CSD) consider authorizing a Change Order to our approved work authorization to account for additional efforts beyond the scope of our initial contract.

SWCA has prepared a project description for the Coastal Development Permit application. Our original cost estimate included 67 hours of time for preparation of the project description, including coordination with the CSD and the County. Due to complexities of the project, the actual time to complete this task was 82 hours, resulting in an overage of \$2,835 over the contract amount of \$10,958. Per our previous conversations and your concurrence regarding SWCA moving forward in assisting the CCSD with this out-of-scope work, we are submitting this Change Order for your review and approval. In addition, this Change Order accounts for SWCA's involvement in the next phase of the project.

Together, SWCA's is requesting \$36,865 to account for additional effort on the project description effort and additional tasks related to the Coastal Development Permit application packet. If the requested change order related to budget is acceptable to you, please sign the work authorization and return to me via email. Please contact me at (805) 786-2550 if you have any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brandi Cummings". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Brandi Cummings  
Senior Environmental Planner

## SCOPE OF WORK

### TASK 1. CDP PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Due to complexities of the project and the increased number of rounds of review by various key players, the actual time to complete this task was 82 hours, resulting in an overage of \$2,835 over the contract amount of \$10,958. We assume the project description revised by the CCSD and the Ad-Hoc Committee dated June 12, 2024 is the project description and will not substantially change as we work through the remaining tasks.

### TASK 2. EMERGENCY CDP CONDITION OF APPROVAL #6 COMPLIANCE MEMO

SWCA will prepare a memorandum detailing the CCSD's compliance with Condition 6 of the Emergency CDP, which outlines required information for submittal of a regular CDP. SWCA anticipates that this memorandum will be an attachment to the CDP application packet and will assist the County in reviewing the project for consistency with the conditions imposed on the Emergency CDP given the project's extensive history. This task assumes that the CSD will provide information to support the memorandum (e.g., hydrogeologic modeling information) and that SWCA will not prepare technical reports to support this task.

### TASK 3. LCP POLICY CONSISTENCY MEMO

SWCA will prepare a memorandum detailing the project's consistency with the County's Local Coastal Program. This information will be largely based on the discussion in the 2017 Supplemental EIR and revised project described referenced in Task 1. SWCA anticipates that this memorandum will be an attachment to the CDP application packet to support the County's evaluation of the project.

### TASK 4. ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE

SWCA will update the Adaptive Management Plan prepared by Michael Baker International to reflect the current project description. SWCA will also flag sections for the CSD to review that may warrant revisions based on comments received to date from the Coastal Commission.

### TASK 5. EIR ADDENDUM

SWCA will work closely with the CSD to prepare an addendum to the certified 2017 Supplemental EIR pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15164. In order to provide substantial evidence, the addendum will include a description of the approved Emergency Water Supply Project and previous decision, a description of the currently-proposed WRF, and explanation of changes between the two projects. The addendum will include a post-certification checklist to evaluate the potential for new or more severe impacts to any issue areas required to be analyzed under CEQA, as listed in Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines. The addendum will reference the Mitigation Monitoring Reporting Plan and CEQA Findings and provide evidence supporting a determination that the currently-proposed WRF would not result in any new significant impacts or increase the severity of a previously identified significant impact.

### TASK 6. COORDINATION MEETINGS WITH CCSD

This task assumes up to 10 one-and-a-half-hour coordination or check-in meetings with the CSD and/or the CSD Ad-Hoc Committee through the preparation of the EIR Addendum and CDP Application Packet.

## TASK 7. COORDINATION MEETINGS WITH COUNTY & COASTAL COMMISSION

SWCA will assist the CSD in communicating and coordinating with the County and Coastal relative to the CDP application packet. SWCA will respond to County and Coastal staff’s questions and comments, including providing additional information and clarifications in order to get the project description in a state that can be supported by the CSD, County, and Coastal alike and allow the CDP application process to move forward toward completion and approval by the County. This task assumes four one-and-a-half-hour meetings (virtual) but does not include attendance at County Hearings (Planning Commission and/or Board of Supervisors) or Coastal Commission Hearings.

## SCHEDULE AND COST ESTIMATE

SWCA is prepared to initiate this scope of work immediately after receiving a signed contract. All documents will be provided in electronic format. SWCA staff will coordinate closely with the CSD to maintain the project schedule as needed. Based on thoughtful consideration of the project requirements and a thorough estimate of the required labor and direct costs, SWCA proposes a time-and-materials budget not to exceed without client approval \$36,865 to complete the project as presented in the table below.

To accommodate project changes and scheduling, it is assumed that SWCA will be able to use the overall project funding and will not be held to task limits so long as the overall budget is not exceeded. This cost estimate is valid for ninety (90) days from the date of the proposal.

**Table 1. Cost Estimate.**

TASK	TOTAL \$
Task 1. Finalize Project Description	\$3,697
Task 2. Emergency CDP Condition of Approval #6 Compliance Memo	\$2,374
Task 3. LCP Policy Consistency Memo	\$4,748
Task 4. Adaptive Management Plan Update	\$8,090
Task 5. EIR Addendum	\$11,083
Task 6. Coordination Meetings with CCSD	\$6,771
Task 7. Coordination Meetings with County & Coastal Commission	\$2,102
<b>PROJECT TOTAL</b>	<b>\$36,865</b>

## ASSUMPTIONS

1. We assume each of the deliverables associated with the tasks above will require two rounds of review by the CSD staff (an initial review and a review of revisions) and one round of review by the Ad-Hoc Committee (assumed to be reviewed and discussed during a coordination meeting as referenced in Task 6).
2. We assume that an EIR Addendum will be sufficient for purposes of CEQA and no new or more severe impacts than those described in the 2017 SEIR will be identified.
3. Consistent with the State CEQA Guidelines, we assume the EIR Addendum will not be circulated for public review (outside of the public hearing notice) and no written responses to comments will be required.
4. If the CSD elects to file a Notice of Determination for the EIR Addendum (not required by the State CEQA Guidelines), this scope does not include the CDFW or County Clerk Recorder filing fees.

- 5. Outside of the Adaptive Management Plan (Task 4), this scope does not include updates or preparation of technical reports.
- 6. This scope does not include attendance at CSD Board meetings. However, if funds allow, this may be accommodated for under Task 6.

## WORK AUTHORIZATION – CHANGE ORDER

All terms and conditions of the *Agreement for Consultant Service* (September 28, 2023) and related Attachments are incorporated herein by reference. By signing below, SWCA agrees to complete the scope of work identified above and the Cambria Community Services District agrees to pay all associated costs pursuant to the payment terms set forth in the *Agreement*.

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James Green, Utilities Department Manager  
Cambria Community Services District

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Date

# January 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 CCSD Board Meeting	10	11
12	13 R&I Meeting Finance Meeting	14	15	16 Policy Meeting PROS Meeting	17	18
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# February 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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# March 2025

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16	17 R&I Meeting Finance Meeting	18	19	20 Policy Meeting PROS Meeting	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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# April 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
30	31	1	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9	10 CCSD Board Meeting	11	12	
13	14 R&I Meeting Finance Meeting	15	16	17 Policy Meeting PROS Meeting	18	19	
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# May 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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15	16 R&I Meeting Finance Meeting	17	18	19 Policy Meeting PROS Meeting	20	21
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# July 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
29	30	1	2	3	4	5	
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13	14 R&I Meeting Finance Meeting	15	16	17 Policy Meeting PROS Meeting	18	19	
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# August 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
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17	18 R&I Meeting Finance Meeting	19	20	21 Policy Meeting PROS Meeting	22	23
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# September 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 CCSD Board Meeting	12	13
14	15 R&I Meeting Finance Meeting	16	17	18 Policy Meeting PROS Meeting	19	20
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# October 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 CCSD Board Meeting	10	11
12	13 R&I Meeting Finance Meeting	14	15	16 Policy Meeting PROS Meeting	17	18
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9	10	11	12	13 CCSD Board Meeting	14	15
16	17 R&I Meeting Finance Meeting	18	19	20 Policy Meeting PROS Meeting	21	22
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# December 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
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