

## MEMORANDUM

**TO: CITY COUNCIL**

**FROM: SHANE TAYLOR, UTILITIES MANAGER**

**SUBJECT: MONTHLY WATER SUPPLY AND DEMAND UPDATE**

**DATE: OCTOBER 24, 2017**

**SUMMARY OF ACTION:**

The update reports the water supply and demand for September 2017. Current Lopez Reservoir level and projected levels are provided in the attachments.

**IMPACT ON FINANCIAL AND PERSONNEL RESOURCES:**

Approximately two (2) hours of staff time is required to prepare the monthly report.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended the City Council receive and file the monthly Water Supply and Demand Report.

**BACKGROUND:**

On April 25, 2017, the City Council, by resolution, rescinded the Stage 1 Water Shortage Emergency and related water conservation measures and restrictions. During the public hearing the City Council requested staff to continue preparing the monthly water supply and demand updates. The Council also urged citizens to remain cognizant of how they use water, and that the previously adopted water saving measures are still in effect.

In September, the City's water use was 25% below August 2013. The State's previously mandated water use reduction was based on the 2013 water usage. There is currently no required reduction imposed by the State Water Resources Control Board. The City however, is still required to report monthly statistics to the State. As a comparison for a single month, water usage statistics were 20% higher in September 2017 than September 2016.

**ANALYSIS OF ISSUES:**

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Drought Monitor, as of October 10, 2017 shows San Luis Obispo County in a moderate drought. Rain fall to date (July 1, 2017 to September 30, 2017) is 0.15 inches at the Corporation Yard gauge. Lopez Lake, as of October 12, 2017 is at 55% capacity (27,316 acre-feet of storage).

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At the County of San Luis Obispo Board of Supervisors meeting on May 23, 2017, the Board rescinded the drought emergency proclamation. However, as recommended by Zone 3 Advisory Board, the Board of Supervisors kept the Low Reservoir Response Plan in place. This will allow carryover water to be available until March 30, 2018 to all contractors. The new water year began on April 1, 2017 and the current total available supply from Lopez is 2,290 acre-feet, our normal entitlement, plus 1,249 acre-feet of carryover. In addition we have 1,323 acre-feet of ground water entitlement from the Santa Maria Basin and 200 acre-feet from the Pismo Formation.

Based on the projected water use of 2,500 acre-feet, we will meet the demand in water year 2017/18, using only 50% of current supply.

**ADVANTAGES:**

No advantages noted at this time.

**DISADVANTAGES:**

No disadvantages noted at this time.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Not applicable at this time.

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:**

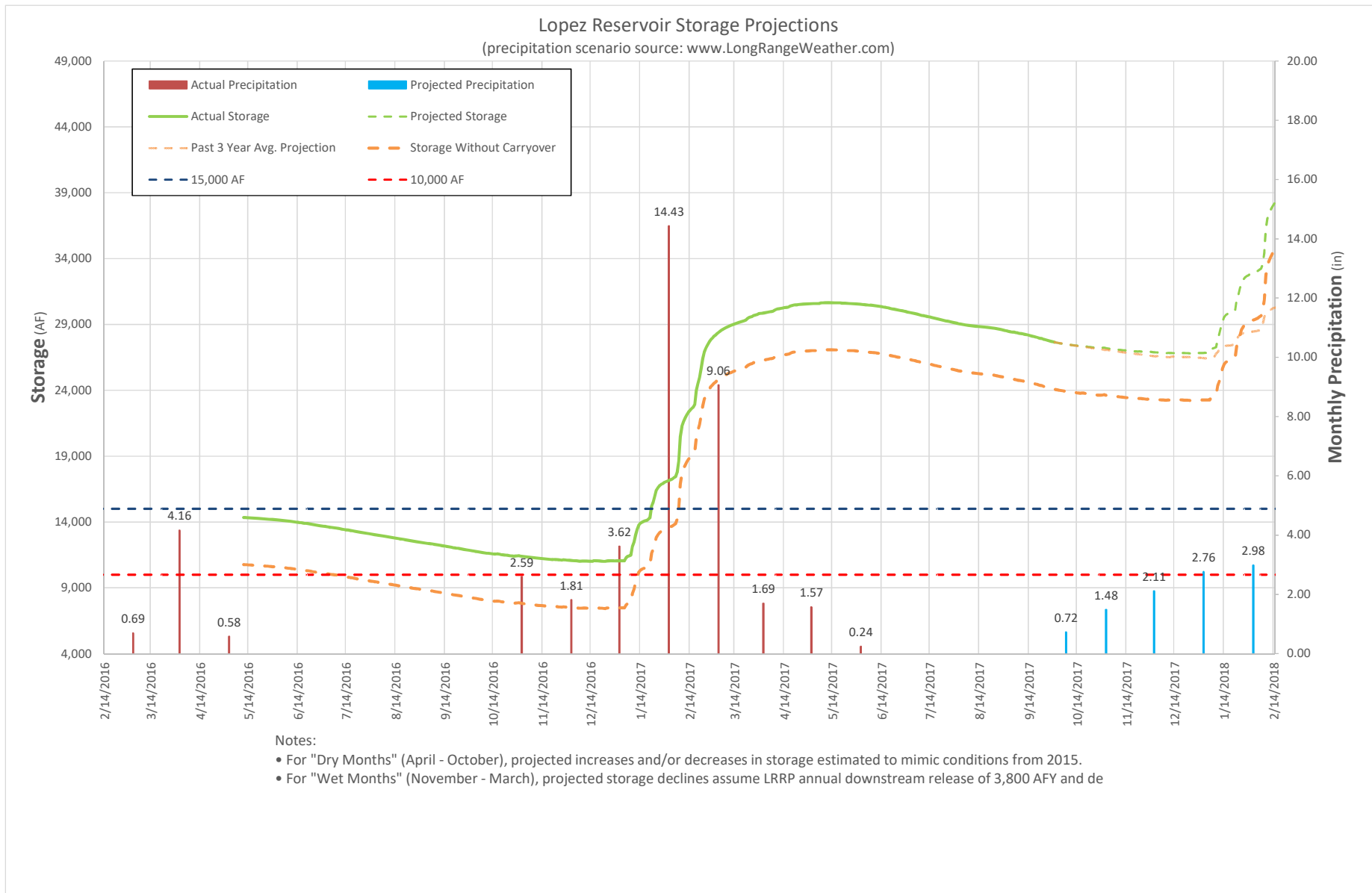
No environmental review is required for this item.

**PUBLIC NOTIFICATION AND COMMENTS:**

The Agenda was posted at City Hall and on the City's website in accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2.

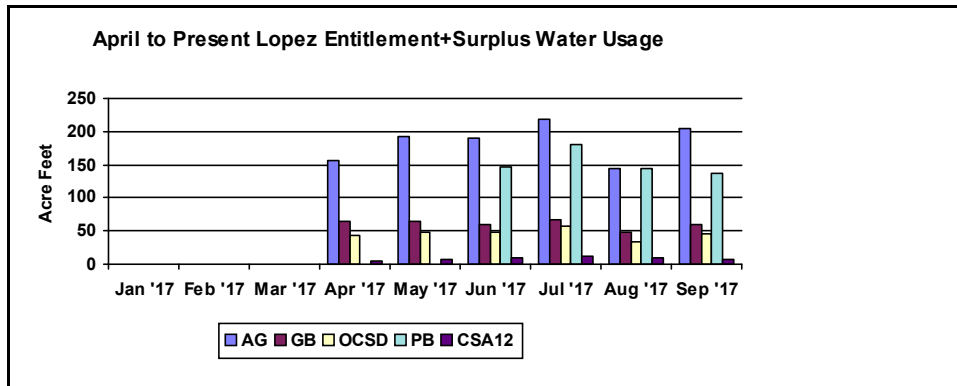
Attachment:

1. Lopez Reservoir Storage Projections
2. Zone 3 – Lopez Project – Monthly Operations Report



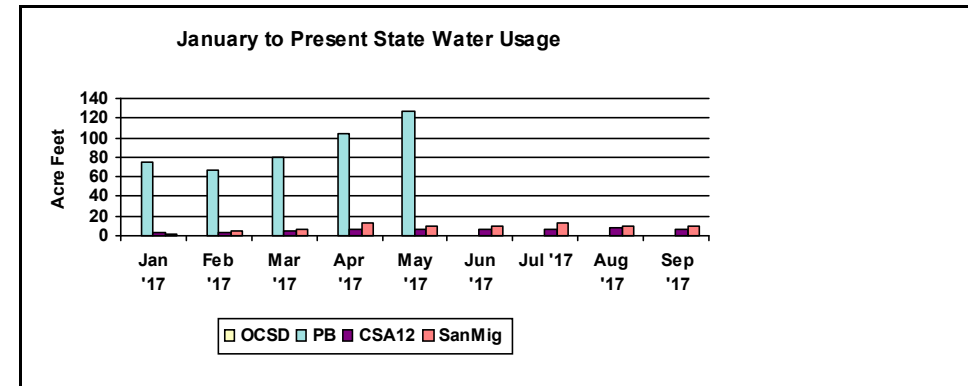
## San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water District Zone 3 - Lopez Project - Monthly Operations Report September, 2017

Contractor	Lopez Water Deliveries												State Water Deliveries						Total Water Deliveries This Month					
	Entl.	Surplus	Total	This Month				April to Present				Annual Request	This Month			January to Present								
				Entitlement		Surplus		Entitlement		Surplus			Total		Usage	% of Annual Request	SWP Deliveries	Change in Storage		Usage	% of Annual Request	SWP Deliveries		
				Usage	%	Usage	%	Usage	%	Usage	%		Usage	%										
Arroyo Grande	2290	1249.20	3539.20	204.27	8.9%	0.00	0.0%	1107.04	48.3%	0.00	0.0%	1107.04	31.3%										204.27	
Oceano CSD	303	840.50	1143.50	46.33	15.3%	0.00	0.0%	277.64	91.6%	0.00	0.0%	277.64	24.3%	0	0.00	0.0%					0.00	0.0%		46.33
Grover Beach	800	240.20	1040.20	60.17	7.5%	0.00	0.0%	364.44	45.6%	0.00	0.0%	364.44	35.0%											60.17
Pismo Beach	892	1834.20	2726.20	136.62	15.3%	0.00	0.0%	607.40	68.1%	0.00	0.0%	607.40	22.3%	505	0.00	0.0%					451.39	89.4%		136.62
CSA 12	245	499.60	744.60	7.12	2.9%	0.00	0.0%	49.74	20.3%	0.00	0.0%	49.74	6.7%	69.96	6.33	9.0%					49.30	70.5%		13.45
San Miguelito														110	10.53	9.6%					78.91	71.7%		10.53
<b>Total</b>	<b>4530</b>	<b>4663.70</b>	<b>9193.70</b>	<b>454.51</b>	<b>10.0%</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>2406.26</b>	<b>53.1%</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>2406.26</b>	<b>26.2%</b>	<b>684.96</b>	<b>16.86</b>	<b>2.5%</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>18.14</b>			<b>579.60</b>	<b>84.6%</b>	<b>1295.00</b>	<b>471.37</b>
												Last Month Stored State Water			<b>1179</b>				This Month Stored State Water			<b>1201.33</b>		



Note: Deliveries are in acre feet. One acre foot = 325, 850 gallons or 43, 560 cubic feet. Safe yield is 8,730 acre feet.

Lopez Dam Operations	This Month	Year to Date		
Lake Elevation (full at 522.37 feet)	494.45		Difference (feet)	-27.92
Storage (full at 49200 acre feet)	27645		% Full	56.2%
Rainfall	0.16	0.16		
Downstream Release (4200 acre feet/year)	318.55	1595.94		
Spillage (acre feet)	0	0.00		



"Year to Date" is January to present for State water, April to present for Lopez deliveries, and July to present for rainfall.

**Comments:** Reservoir is currently operated under the Low Reservoir Response Plan. Reservoir is above 20,000 AF therefore no reduction in entitlements.

Surplus water shown is actually "Carry Over" water as designated in the LRRP and updated per BOS May 2, 2017 Declaration of Surplus.

1) Oceano supplied State Water to Canyon Crest via Arroyo Grande's Edna turn out. A total of 2.63 AF delivered to Canyon Crest was added to Oceano's State Water usage this month and 2.63 AF was subtracted from Arroyo Grande's usage this month.