

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
August 18, 2016

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council FROM: Scott C. Stiles, City Manager
Members

I. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

- A.** FY 2014-15 SINGLE AUDIT REPORT
The City's independent internal auditors, Macias, Gini and O'Connell, LLP (MGO) reissued the fiscal year 2014-2015 Single Audit Report to correct an error in the listing of major programs.
- B.** BICYCLE CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (BCIP) GRANT
Lisa Kim's memo provides information on the progress of the Bicycle Corridor Improvement Program award of the OCTA funds.
- C.** LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR SB 969 (VIETNAMESE RICE CAKES)
Mayor Bao Nguyen's letter to Governor Jerry Brown asking him to sign SB 969 which would allow for an exception in Health and Safety Code for traditional Vietnamese Rice Cakes to be sold year round provided that they are labeled with the health precautions that the rice cake must be sold within 24 hours in room temperature.
- D.** FY 2016-17 ACTION PLAN (CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES)
The FY 2016-17 Action Plan to implement the City Council's priorities is attached. Updates will be provided quarterly to keep you informed of progress related to the various action plan items.

II. ITEMS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES, OUTSIDE AGENCIES, BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS

- A.** Memorandum from Mr. Larry Dick and Mr. Wayne S. Osborne of the Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) outlining monthly water usage data figures, an estimate of Tier 2 volume for MWDOC, and selected water supply information.

• **OTHER ITEMS**

- NEWSPAPER ARTICLES
Copies of the local newspaper articles are attached for your information.

- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
Items of interest are included.



SCOTT C. STILES
City Manager

City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: CITY MANAGER
From: Kingsley Okereke
Dept:
Dept: Finance
Subject: FY14-15 SINGLE AUDIT REPORT
Date: August 15, 2016

The City's independent external auditors, Macias, Gini, and O'Connell, LLP (MGO) reissued the fiscal year 2014-2015 Single Audit Report to correct an error in the listing of major programs.

There are no changes to the total expenditures awarded by the federal government. The correction was made to page 9 under "Identification of major programs." The Highway Planning and Construction grant incorrectly reported as a major program has been removed from the list. The updated Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (page 6-7) includes the Economic Development Assistance Cluster as a major program.

Please discard the previous fiscal year 2014-2015 Single Audit Report provided to you at the January 12, 2016 study session.



Kingsley Okereke
Assistant City Manager / Finance Director

By Ellis Chang
Accounting Manager

Attachment: Reissued Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Single Audit Report

CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA

Single Audit Report

For the Year Ended June 30, 2015



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**CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA
For the Year Ended June 30, 2015**

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Independent Auditor’s Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With Government Auditing Standards

To the Honorable City Council
City of Garden Grove, California

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Garden Grove, California (the City), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City’s basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 22, 2015. Our report includes an emphasis of matter paragraph indicating that the City adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an Amendment to GASB No. 27*, and GASB Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date – an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 68*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City’s internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City’s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City’s internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity’s financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses, or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the City's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Macias Gini E O'Connell LPA

Newport Beach, CA
December 22, 2015



Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program; Report on Internal Control Over Compliance; and Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by OMB Circular A-133

To the Honorable City Council
City of Garden Grove, California

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the City of Garden Grove, California's (the City) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the City's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015. The City's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the City's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the City's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the City's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the City complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015.

Other Matters

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed an instance of noncompliance, which is required to be reported in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2015-001. Our opinion on each major federal program is not modified with respect to this matter.

The City's response to the noncompliance finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The City's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the City is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the City's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. *A material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we have identified a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2015-001, that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

The City's response to the internal control over compliance finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The City's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by OMB Circular A-133

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated December 22, 2015, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by OMB Circular A-133 and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Macias Gini & O'Connell LLP

Newport Beach, CA
December 22, 2015

CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

Federal Grantor/ Pass-through Grantor Program Title	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number	Program Identification Number	Federal Financial Assistance Expenditures	Amount Provided to Subrecipients
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development:				
Direct programs:				
Community Development Block Grant	14.218	B-14-MC-06-0505	\$ 1,901,712	\$ 54,923
HOME Investment Partnerships Programs	14.239	M-14-MC-06-0511	1,238,423	-
Emergency Solutions Grants Program	14.231	S-14-MC-06-0505	152,055	140,089
Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments - Housing Choice Vouchers	14.871	CA102	30,706,654	-
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development			<u>\$ 33,998,844</u>	<u>\$ 195,012</u>
U.S. Department of Commerce:				
Direct programs:				
Economic Development Assistance Cluster:				
Community Trade Adjustment Assistance - TELACU Grant	11.010	07-46-06579	254,179	254,179
Economic Adjustment Assistance - Harbor Blvd Improvement Project	11.307	09-79-06911	1,582,041	-
Total Economic Development Assistance Cluster			1,836,220	254,179
Total U.S. Department of Commerce			<u>\$ 1,836,220</u>	<u>\$ 254,179</u>
U.S. Department of Justice:				
Direct programs:				
Bulletproof Vest Program	16.607	OMB# 1121-0235	641	-
Justice Assistance Grant	16.738	2014-DJ-BX-0038	35,480	-
Total U.S. Department of Justice			<u>\$ 36,121</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
U.S. Department of Transportation:				
Passed through California				
Department of Transportation:				
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	HSIPL-5328(065)(to be ammended to FTIP)	6,979	-
Subtotal CFDA 20.205			6,979	-
Passed through California				
Office of Traffic Safety:				
State and Community Highway Safety	20.600	20656	1,100	-
	20.600	PT1492	46,765	-
	20.600	SC14154	36,263	-
	20.600	PT1538	164,922	-
Subtotal CFDA 20.600			249,050	-
Total U.S. Department of Transportation			<u>\$ 256,029</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

See Accompanying Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Continued)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

Federal Grantor/ Pass-through Grantor Program Title	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number	Program Identification Number	Federal Financial Assistance Expenditures	Amount Provided to Subrecipients
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency:				
Water infrastructure - Twintree Storm Drain Project	66.202	XP-00T10201-3	420,342	-
Total U.S. Environmental Protection Agency			<u>\$ 420,342</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services:				
Passed through the County of Orange Social Services Agency:				
FACT: Families and Communities Together (Magnolia Park)	93.556	FNH0710	346,103	78,775
Passed through Community SeniorServe, Inc.:				
Senior Mobility PRG	93.044	ID# Not Provided	21,168	-
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			<u>\$ 367,271</u>	<u>\$ 78,775</u>
U.S. Department of Homeland Security:				
UASI - BACKFILL	97.067	2013-00110 Cal-EMA ID#059-95010	27,507	-
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security			<u>\$ 27,507</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			<u>\$ 36,942,334</u>	<u>\$ 527,966</u>

See Accompanying Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA
Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

(1) BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) presents the federal activity of all federal award programs of the City of Garden Grove, California (the City) for the year ended June 30, 2015. The Schedule includes federal awards received directly from federal agencies, as well as federal awards passed through other agencies. The City's reporting entity is defined in Note 1 to the City's basic financial statements. Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the City, it is not intended to, and does not, present the financial position, changes in financial position, or cash flows of the City.

(2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified-accrual basis of accounting for those grants that were recorded in governmental funds, and on the accrual basis of accounting for those grants that were recorded in proprietary funds. Expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-87, *Cost Principles for State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments*, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Therefore, some amounts presented in this Schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements. Pass-through entity identifying numbers are identified where available.

CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

Section I – Summary of Auditor’s Results

Financial statements:

Type of auditor’s report issued:	Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting:	
• Material weakness(es) identified?	No
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified not considered to be material weaknesses?	None noted
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	No

Federal Awards:

Internal control over major programs:	
• Material weakness(es) identified?	No
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified not considered to be material weaknesses?	Yes
Type of auditor’s report issued on compliance for major programs:	Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133?	No

Identification of major programs:

<u>CFDA Number(s)</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
14.218 14.871	Community Development Block Grant Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments- Housing Choice Vouchers
11.010 & 11.307	Economic Development Assistance Cluster

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	\$1,108,270
Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee?	Yes

**CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended June 30, 2015**

Section II – Findings Relating to the Basic Financial Statements Reported in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

None noted.

Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

Reference Number:	2015-001
Federal Program Title(s):	Community Development Block Grant
Federal Catalog Number:	14.218
Federal Agency:	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Pass-Through Entity:	N/A
Federal Award Number(s) and Year(s):	B-14-MC-06-0505 (2014)
Category of Finding:	Subrecipient Monitoring – Non-compliance with OMB Circular A-133 requirements.

Criteria

U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement Part 3, Subrecipient Monitoring, states:

“A pass-through entity is responsible for:

Award Identification – At the time of the subaward, identifying to the subrecipient the Federal award information (i.e., CFDA title and number; award name and number; if the award is research and development; and name of Federal awarding agency) and applicable compliance requirements.”

Condition

During our review of two agreements between the City of Garden Grove and subrecipients, both agreements did not include the CFDA number as required by OMB Circular A-133.

Cause

The City does not have a written policy to ensure compliance with OMB Circular A-133 subrecipient monitoring requirements.

CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

Effect

Failure to provide the subrecipient with the CFDA number may result in non-compliance with OMB Circular A-133.

Questioned Costs

N/A

Recommendation

We suggest that the City revise their policies and procedures to ensure that subrecipients are provided with complete Federal award information as required by OMB Circular A-133.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Action

The Community Development Department will update its policies and procedures to ensure that subrecipients are provided with complete Federal award information as required by OMB Circular A-133. The department will ensure that all future grant agreements in FY 16-17 will include grant CFDA numbers.

**CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA
Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings
For the Year Ended June 30, 2014**

Reference Number: 2014-01
Federal Program Titles: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
Federal Catalog Numbers: 14.218
Federal Agency: Department of Housing and Urban
Development (HUD)
**Federal Award
Numbers and Years:** B-13-MC-07-0505
Category of Finding: Reporting

Condition and Context

During our review of the reporting requirements, we noted that the City submitted the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Subaward Report for one of the subawards in November 2014, which is later than 30 days after the subaward contract was signed on July 1, 2013.

Corrective Action Taken

Staff have included the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Subaward report on its centralized division calendar to ensure timely reporting.

Status of Corrective Action

The City has fully implemented the corrective action.

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Scott Stiles
Dept: City Manager
Subject: BICYCLE CORRIDOR
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
(BCIP) GRANT

From: Lisa Kim
Dept: Community and Economic
Development
Date: August 18, 2016

OBJECTIVE

To convey information on the progress of the Bicycle Corridor Improvement Program (BCIP) award of OCTA grant funds.

BACKGROUND

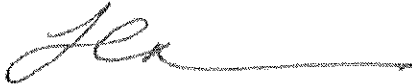
To implement a short list of bikeway improvements, the Community and Economic Development Department contracted with ALTA Design + Planning to prepare a grant application for BCIP funds from OCTA. The application for BCIP funds was submitted on May 9th, 2016. The City of Garden Grove requested \$1,201,978 from the Bicycle Corridor Improvement Project to improve the on-street bicycle infrastructure by 75 percent and to provide a more consistent network by creating 14.85 miles of comfortable bikeways. Please see Attachment 1: Proposed Bike Facility Improvements Map.

The City is required to provide a 12% local match to the BCIP grant funds. The recommended source of matching funds would be Ride Share funds. At the June 14th, 2016 meeting, the City Council approved Resolution No. 9366-16 that acknowledged the grant request and the matching funds commitment by the City.

DISCUSSION

Staff is pleased to report notification from OCTA confirming the award of \$1.2 million from the BCIP grant. A total of 27 countywide projects were submitted to OCTA through the grant application process. Of the 13 projects expected to receive BCIP grant funding, Garden Grove's bikeway improvement project was ranked No. 5 on the project award list.

The next steps would be finalizing the documentation for receipt of the grants and preparing a timeline for implementation. It is anticipated that funds will be available in October 2016, with engineering and design in 2017, construction awarded in 2018, and the final project completion by 2019.



LISA KIM
Community and Economic Development Director

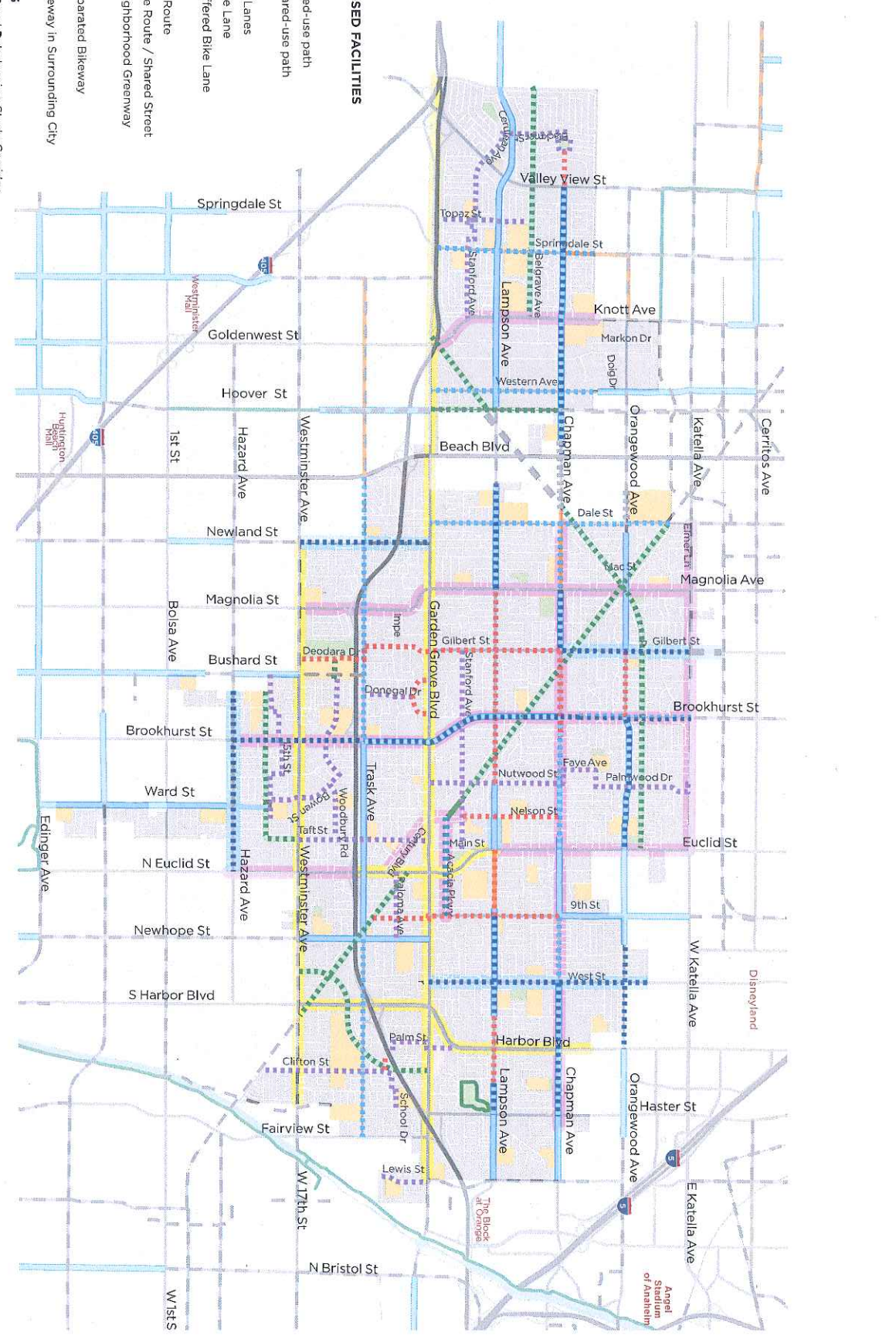
By: Alana Cheng
Senior Analyst

Attachment 1: Proposed Bike Facility Improvements Map

- EXISTING & PROPOSED FACILITIES**
- Class I**
 - Existing Shared-use path
 - Proposed Shared-use path
 - Class II**
 - Existing Bike Lanes
 - Proposed Bike Lane
 - Proposed Buffered Bike Lane
 - Class III**
 - Existing Bike Route
 - Proposed Bike Route / Shared Street
 - Proposed Neighborhood Greenway
 - Class IV**
 - Proposed Separated Bikeway
 - Proposed Bikeway in Surrounding City

- STUDY CORRIDORS**
- Early Action Road Rebalancing Study Corridor
 - Complete Street Study Corridor
 - Separated Bikeway Study Corridor
 - Shared-use Trail Corridor

- LAND USE**
- Schools



DRAFT- PROPOSED BIKE FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

Garden Grove Active Streets Master Plan
FOR REVIEW ONLY - APRIL 2016





CITY OF GARDEN GROVE

August 18, 2016

The Honorable Jerry Brown
Governor
State of California
State Capitol First Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 969 (NGUYEN) Vietnamese Rice Cakes
Request for Signature

Bao Nguyen
Mayor

Steven R. Jones
Mayor Pro Tem

Christopher V. Phan
Council Member

Phat Bui
Council Member

Kris Beard
Council Member

Dear Governor Brown:

On behalf of the City of Garden Grove, I respectfully ask you to sign SB 969 which would allow for an exemption in the Health and Safety Code for traditional Vietnamese Rice Cakes to be sold year-round, provided that they are labeled with health precautions that the rice cake must be sold within 24 hours in room temperature. SB 969 aims to allow fresh Vietnamese rice cakes to be sold in conventional markets.

Vietnamese have traditionally consumed rice cakes at room temperature. Generally prepared for Vietnamese holidays such as Tet, the Lunar New Year festival, Vietnamese rice cakes are made by tightly wrapping sticky rice, mung beans, and banana or meat like pork into banana leaves and fastening the package with bamboo strings. Once wrapped these rice cakes are boiled for more than 10 hours to remove any lingering bacteria. California law states that these items cannot be sold at room temperature, which is traditional custom, without facing health code citations due to the presence of potentially hazardous ingredients.

Under current requirements established by the Department of Public Health Vietnamese rice cakes must be sold refrigerated or frozen. However, it is against tradition to purchase rice cakes that are cold and frozen. This stigma prevents traditional Vietnamese rice cakes from being sold year-round in stores without facing citations. When sold refrigerated or frozen it gives the rice cake the poor quality in taste and hockey puck texture which makes it inedible.

SB 969 strikes a balance between a culturally significant food and public health concerns. Vietnamese rice cakes would be allowed to be sold at room temperature for a time period of up to 24 hours provided that they display appropriate labeling for the presence of potentially perishable ingredients. This bill received unanimous bi-partisan support in both legislative houses.

Governor, if signed, SB 969 would be the first significant and historic law that is culturally relevant to the more than 500,000 Vietnamese-Americans living in California. Orange County is the home to the largest concentration of Vietnamese residents outside of Vietnam.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that you sign SB 969.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Maria Stipe, Deputy City Manager, at (714) 741-5106 or email marias@ci.garden-grove.ca.us.

Sincerely,

BAO NGUYEN
Mayor

FY 2016-17 ACTION PLAN
(City Council Priorities)

Action Item	Implementation Steps	Lead Dept.	Estimated Completion Date
Economic Development			
1. Use Economic Development to Grow Revenues			
a. Conduct Citywide Economic Development Study	Hire consultant for City analysis Present analysis to Central Management Present analysis to City Council Develop and implement approved strategy	CED CED CED CED	September-16 December-16 February-17 Ongoing
b. Develop Incentives Strategy	Conduct assessment of incentive options Present analysis to Central Management Present analysis to City Council Develop and incorporate into Economic Development Study	CED	September-16 December-16 February-17 Ongoing
c. Continue current development activities:			
i. Site C (Land & Design Inc.)	Clear site Hotel franchisee confirmed Financing in place Transfer property Ground breaking Grand opening	CED CED CED CED CED CED	In Progress December-16 December-16 January-18 January-18 July-20
ii. Site B2 (Kam Sang Companies)	Implement City Council direction Monitor exclusive negotiation agreement	CED CED	Fall-16 Fall-16
iii. Brookhurst Triangle	Opening of Phase I lofts Closing on Phase II Phase II ground breaking Opening of Phase II lofts	CED CED CED CED	July-17 March-17 April-17 September-18
iv. Galleria (complete or demolish)	Progress report to City Council	CED	September-16
v. 13650 Harbor Blvd. (former war museum)	Negotiate purchase and sale agreement	CED	Fall-16
d. Identify west-side development opportunities	Conduct stakeholder outreach	CED	Ongoing
e. Facilitate OC Street Car project	Monitor and support project initiatives	PW	Ongoing

FY 2016-17 ACTION PLAN (City Council Priorities)

Action Item	Implementation Steps	Lead Dept.	Estimated Completion Date
2. Continue Re:Imagine Downtown Initiatives			
a. Civic Center Adaptive Reuse (Cottage Industries Project)	Property sale/lease/transfer Conceptual plan & programming Commence implementation	CED CED CED	November-16 March-17 May-17
b. Open Streets	Plan event Conduct event	CS, Multi CS, Multi	In Progress March-17
c. Complete Downtown Parking Management Plan	RFP to retain consultant Draft plan	CED CED	September-16 Spring-17
d. Bicycle Master Plan	Consultant (Alta) to complete plan Planning Commission City Council adoption	CED, PW CED, PW CED, PW	Fall 2016 Fall 2016 Winter 2016
Public Safety			
3. Continue to prioritize Public Safety	Add five police officer positions to City budget	CMO, FIN	Complete
4. Maintain and enhance staffing of key public safety positions	Fill vacancies as approved by City Manager	HR	Ongoing
5. Complete Infrastructure projects that are underway			
a. Fire Station #6	Implement plans for new Fire Station #6 (Westhaven Park) Complete construction	FIRE, PW FIRE, PW	In Progress December-17
b. Police Lobby	Execute plans for lobby improvements Complete construction	PD PD	In Progress January-17
c. Communications Center	Implement plans for communications center improvements Complete construction	PD PD	In Progress January-17
6. Evaluate police/fire facilities	Compile initial priorities punch list RFP to hire consultant for needs assessment/master plan Fund and begin implementation of master plan priorities	PW, FIRE, PD PW, FIRE, PD PW, FIRE, PD	November-16 June-17 July-17
7. Enhance neighborhood watch and other community policing programs (including education)	Review existing programs for the purpose of strengthening program components and enhancing education and outreach	PD	Ongoing

FY 2016-17 ACTION PLAN (City Council Priorities)

Action Item	Implementation Steps	Lead Dept.	Estimated Completion Date
Community Engagement/Outreach			
8. Engage community in a strategic planning process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planning meeting Conduct community engagement initiatives City Council Input Prepare plan Present plan to City Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CMO CMO CMO CMO CMO 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> January-17 February-17 March-17 April-17 May-17
9. Increase use of volunteers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify volunteer opportunities in City Departments Publish and promote volunteer opportunities on website and through various media and social media resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HR, Multi CS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> December-16 February-16
10. Strengthen communication to diverse groups and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue multi-language communication initiatives and evaluate opportunities for enhanced communications Evaluate reverse 9-1-1 access 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> December-16 Complete
Financial Sustainability			
11. Achieve a balanced budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare FY 16-17 Adopted Budget YTD Performance Prepare FY 17-18 Projections Present Update to City Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FIN FIN FIN 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> March-17 April-17 April-17
12. Create a long-term financial forecast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare 5-year and 10-year revenue and expenditure forecast Present Plan to City Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FIN FIN 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> April-17 April-17
13. Assess pension liability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review PERS Actuarial Report and OPEB Actuarial Report Present analysis of PERS Actuarial Report to Council Present analysis of OPEB Actuarial Report to Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FIN 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> November-16 March-17 March-17
14. Implement New Financial System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> RFP to hire consultant Select consultant Develop plan in coordination with consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FIN, IT FIN, IT FIN, IT 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> August-16 September-16 February-17
15. Evaluate options for all-cash businesses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review options with FTB and City Attorney Develop and present options and action plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FIN 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> November-16 May-17
Effective Transparent Government			
16. Implement management system review action plan items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete action items by specified dates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CMO, Multi 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> July-16 thru June-2017
17. Maintain and enhance staffing of basic service positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fill vacancies as approved by City Manager 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing

FY 2016-17 ACTION PLAN (City Council Priorities)

Action Item	Implementation Steps	Lead Dept.	Estimated Completion Date
18. Plan for district election transition and support	Conduct 2016 election New Council Member orientation meetings City Council workshop/retreat	CMO CMO CMO	November-16 December-16 March-17
19. Continue to implement transparency initiatives	Address transparency goals in ERP RFP Implement public facing GIS district map Implement public facing GIS maps for Community and Economic Development Department	IT, FIN, CS IT IT	August-16 Complete April-17
20. Complete evaluation of DA investigation recommendations	Consultant review	CMO	Sep-16
Other Community Issues			
21. Implement animal care transition	Hire animal control officers Implement City field services program Launch public information campaign Initiate service with OCHS	PW PW, CMO CS PW, CMO	November-16 December-16 December-16 January-17
22. Consider November ballot measure to control, regulate and tax cannabis	Implement City Council direction	CMO	Complete
23. Address Homelessness Issue	Implement GGPD Homeless Outreach Task Force Continue participation in ACC-OC Homeless Taskforce Support regional efforts to address homelessness	PD, Multi CMO PD, Multi	Complete Ongoing Ongoing



Memorandum

DATE: August 11, 2016
TO: Member Agencies – MWDOC Divisions Two & Three
FROM: Larry Dick, Director – Division Two
Wayne S. Osborne, Director – Division Three
SUBJECT: Monthly Water Usage Data, Tier 2 Projection & Water Supply Information

The attached figures show the recent trend of water consumption in Orange County (OC), an estimate of Tier 2 volume for MWDOC, and selected water supply information.

- Fig. 1 OC Water Usage, Monthly by Supply OCWD Groundwater water was the main supply in June.
- Fig. 2 OC Water Usage, Monthly, Comparison to Previous Years Water usage in June 2016 was low compared to the last 5 years with the exception of June 2015. Lower usage is primarily due to strong conservation efforts and mandatory restrictions set by the Governor for the period of June 2015 to May 2016. In June 2016 all water conservation became voluntary for MWDOC agencies.
- Fig. 3 Historical OC Water Consumption OC water consumption is projected to be 494,000 AF in FY 2015-16 (*this includes ~15 TAF of agricultural usage and non-retail water agency usage*). This is about 71,000 AF less than FY 2014-15 and is about 121,000 AF less than FY 2013-14. Water usage per person is projected to be the lowest it has been for Orange County at 140 gallons per day (This includes recycled water). Although OC population has increased 20% over the past two decades, water usage has not increased, on average. A long-term decrease in per-capita water usage is attributed mostly to Water Use Efficiency (water conservation) efforts.
- Fig. 4 MWDOC “Firm” Water Purchases, 2016 “Firm” water above the Tier 1 limit will be charged at the higher Tier 2 rate. Our current projection of Tier 2 purchases is zero in 2016.

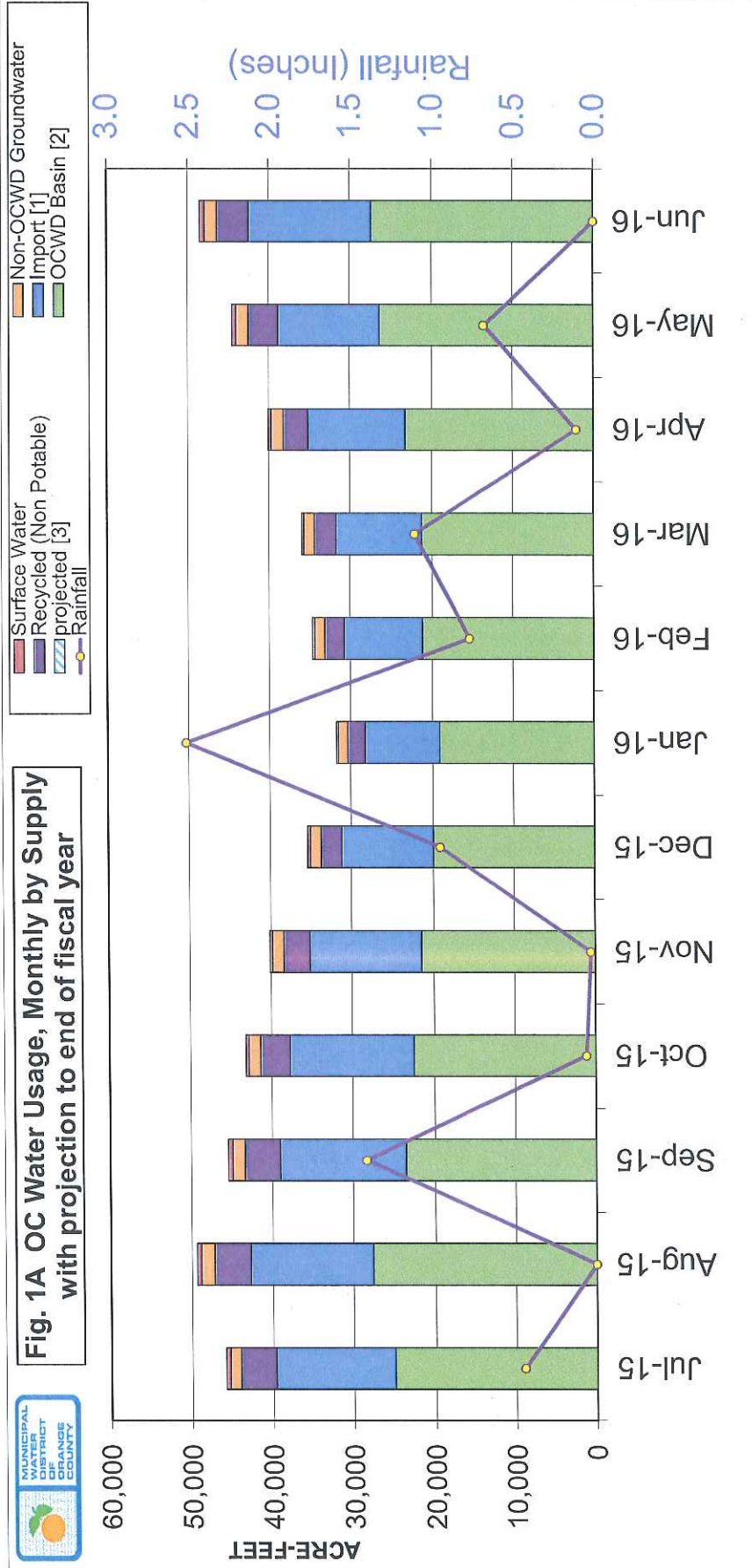
Water Supply Information Includes data on: Rainfall in OC; the OCWD Basin overdraft; Northern California and Colorado River Basin hydrologic data; the State Water Project (SWP) Allocation, and regional storage volumes. The data has implications for the

magnitude of supplies from the three watersheds that are the principal sources of water for OC. Note that a hydrologic year is Oct. 1st through Sept. 30th.

- Orange County's accumulated rainfall through July was well below average for this period. This continues the impact of the previous four hydrologic years' below-normal rainfall in reducing those local supplies that are derived from local runoff. El Nino conditions have diminished and NOAA is predicted a moderate chance of La Nina for next winter (La Nina is generally associated with cool dry winters in Southern California).
- Northern California accumulated precipitation in July was around 119% of normal for this period. The Northern California snowpack is 97% of normal as of April 1st. This follows three below-average hydrologic years. The State of California has been in a declared Drought Emergency since January 2014. The State Water Project Contractors Table A Allocation is at 60% as of the end of June.
- Colorado River Basin accumulated precipitation in July was 96% average for this period. The Upper Colorado Basin snowpack was 85% of normal as of April 15th. This follows two below-average hydrologic years, the Colorado River Basin is in the recovery of a long term drought. Lake Mead and Lake Powell combined have about 60% of their average storage volume for this time of year. If Lake Mead's level falls below a "trigger" limit 1,075 ft. at the end of a calendar year, then a shortage will be declared by the US Bureau of Reclamation (USBR), impacting Colorado River water deliveries for the Lower Basin states. As of late June Lake Mead levels were slightly below the "trigger" limit but fortunately levels are expecting to increase due to water releases schedule at Lake Powell. The USBR predicts that the "trigger" level will not be hit by the end of 2016.



Fig. 1A OC Water Usage, Monthly by Supply
with projection to end of fiscal year



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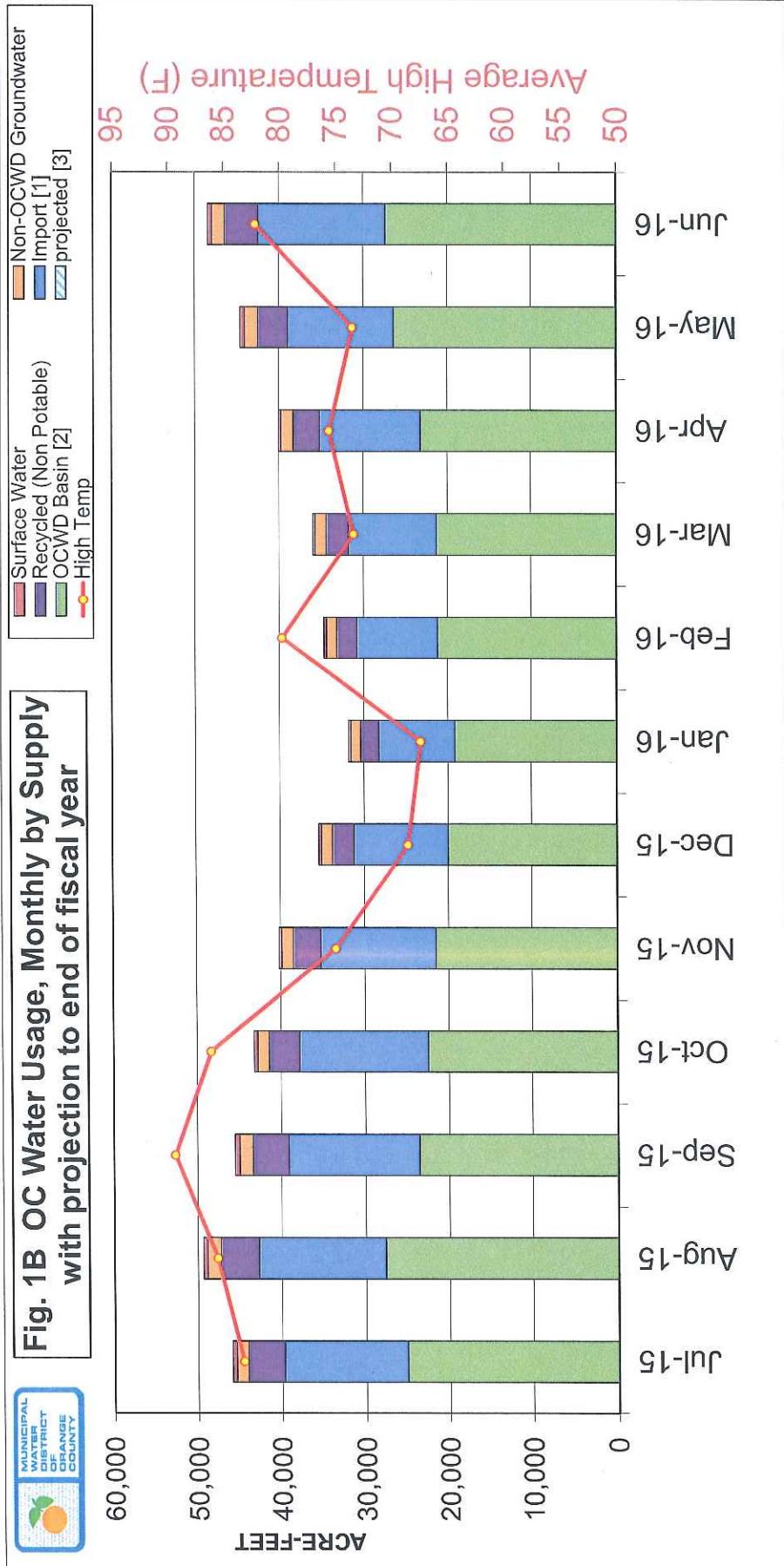
[2] GW for consumptive use only. Excludes In-Lieu water deliveries and CUP water extraction that are counted with Import. BPP in FY '15-16 is 75%.

[3] MWDOC's estimate of monthly demand is based on the projected FY 15-16 "Retail" water demand and historical monthly demand patterns.

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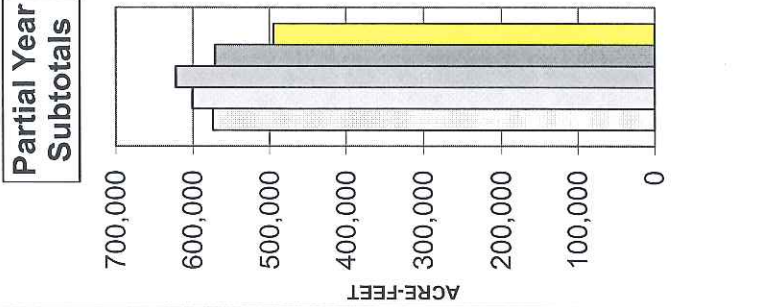
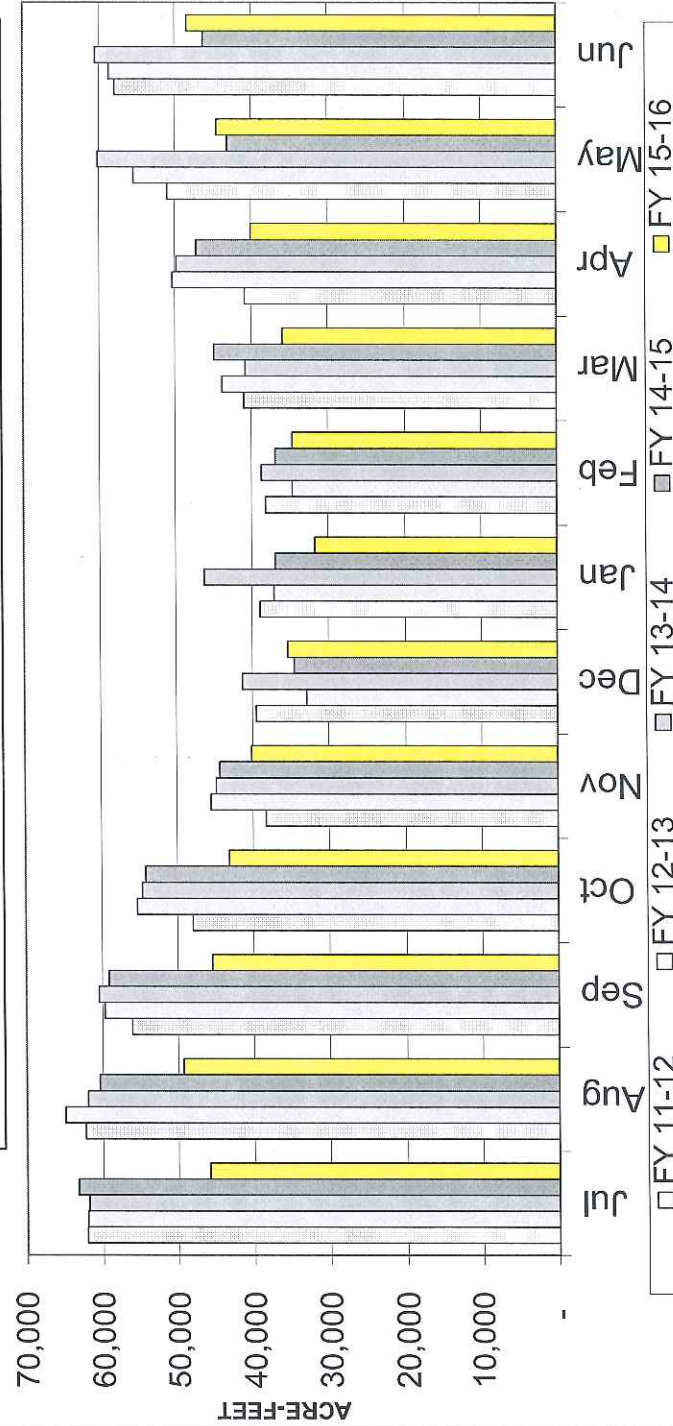
Fig. 1B OC Water Usage, Monthly by Supply with projection to end of fiscal year



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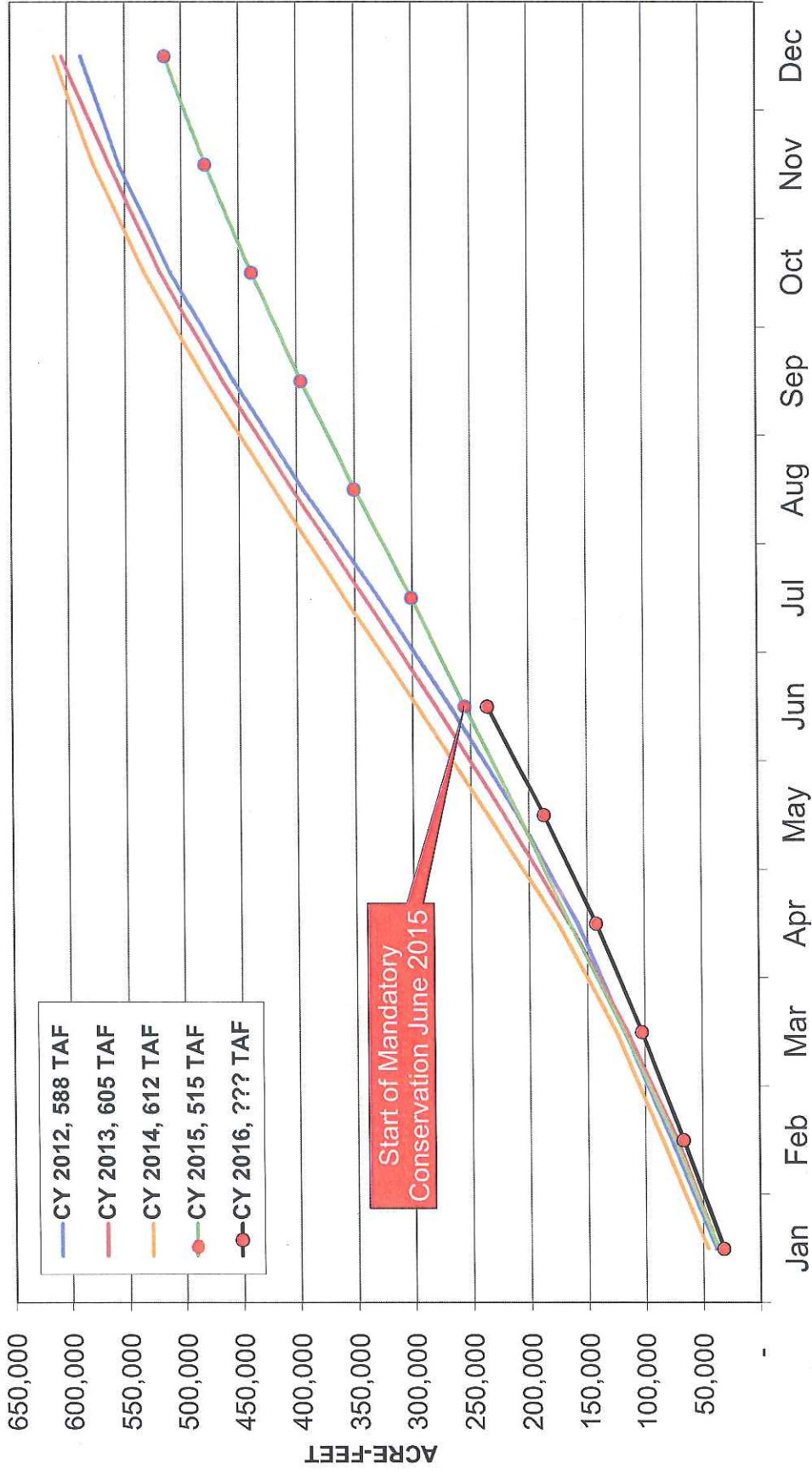
Fig. 2A OC Monthly Water Usage [1]: Comparison to Last 4 Fiscal Years



[1] Sum of Imported water for consumptive use (includes "In-Lieu" deliveries; excludes "Direct Replenishment" and "Barrier Replenishment") and Local water for consumptive use (includes recycled and non-potable water; excludes GWRS production, groundwater pumped to waste, and waste brine pumped to water treatment projects.) Recent months numbers include some estimation.



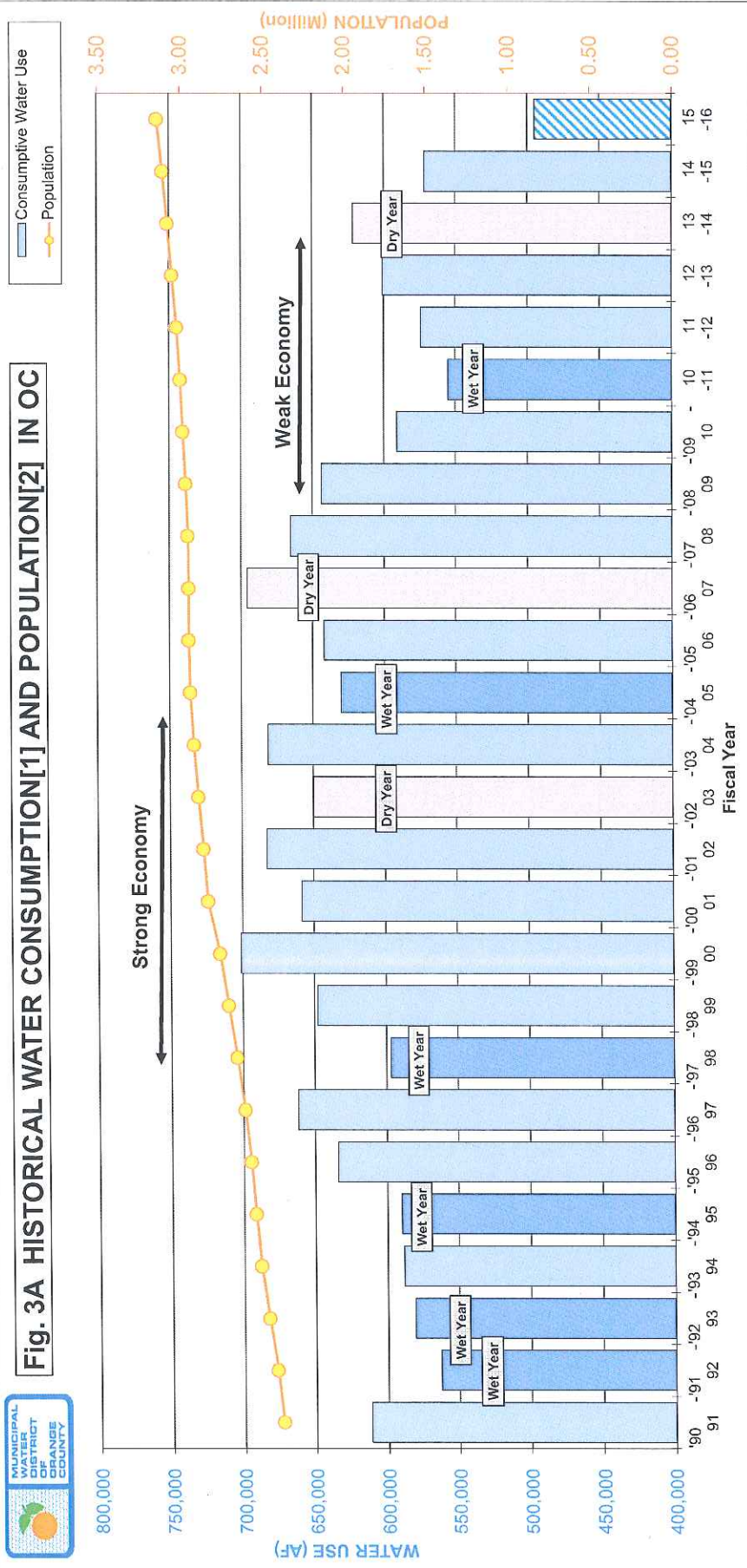
Fig. 2B Orange County Cumulative Monthly Consumptive Water Usage [1]: present year compared to last 4 calendar years



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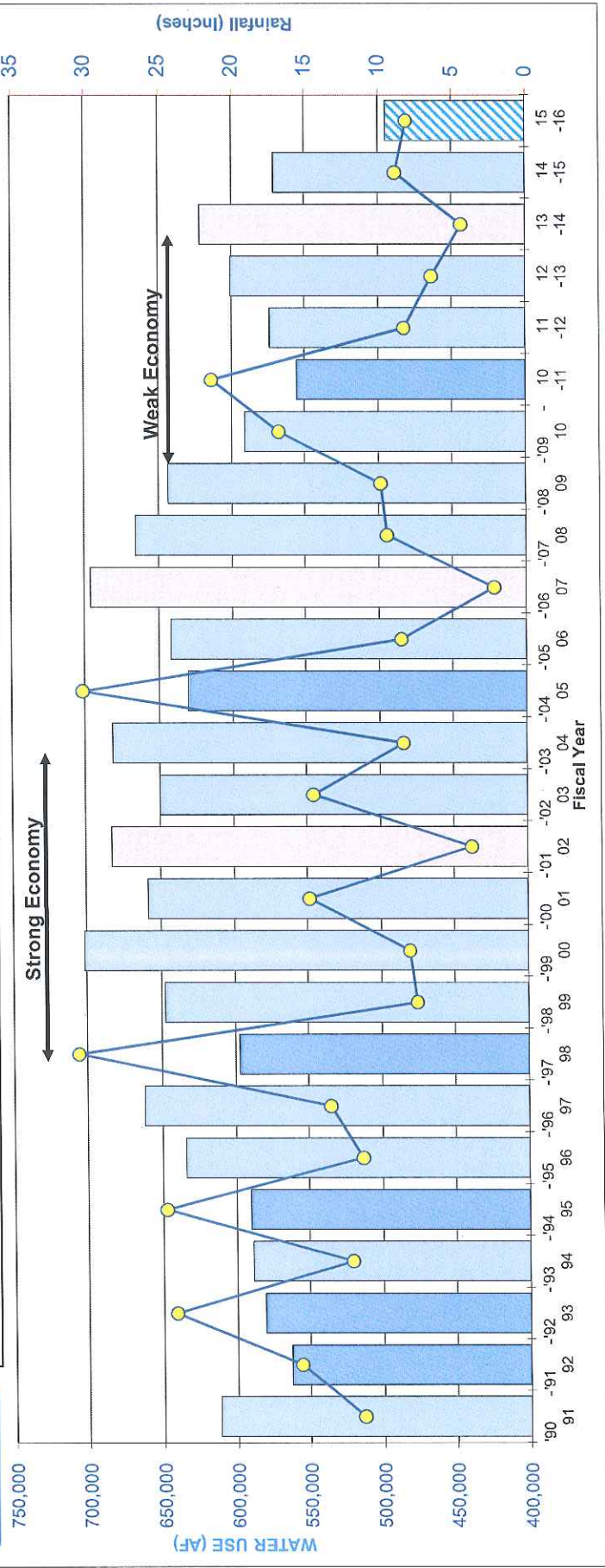
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 [2] Population estimates in the 2000s decade were revised by the State Dept. of Finance to reflect the 2010 Census counts.
 [3] Projection of FY 15-16 water use estimated by MWDOC based on partial-year data.



Fig. 3B HISTORICAL WATER CONSUMPTION^[1] AND Annual Rainfall^[2] IN OC

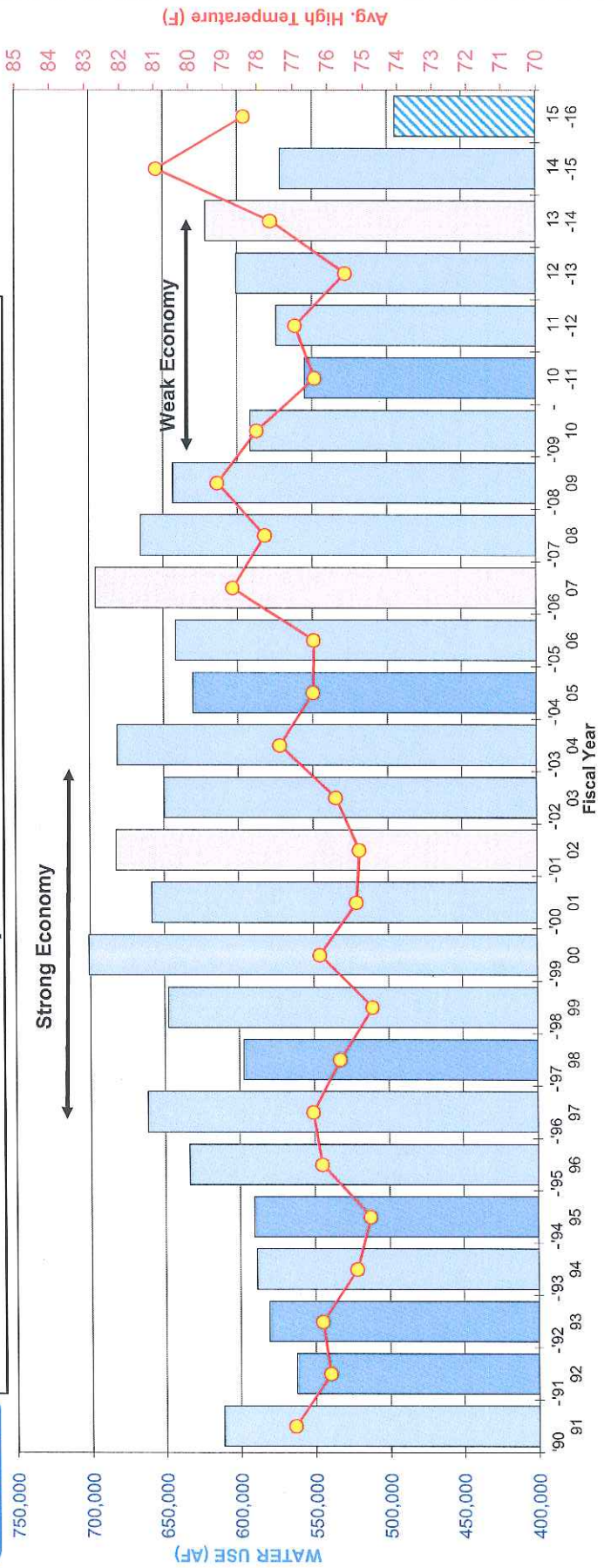


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[2] Rainfall data from Santa Ana Station #121



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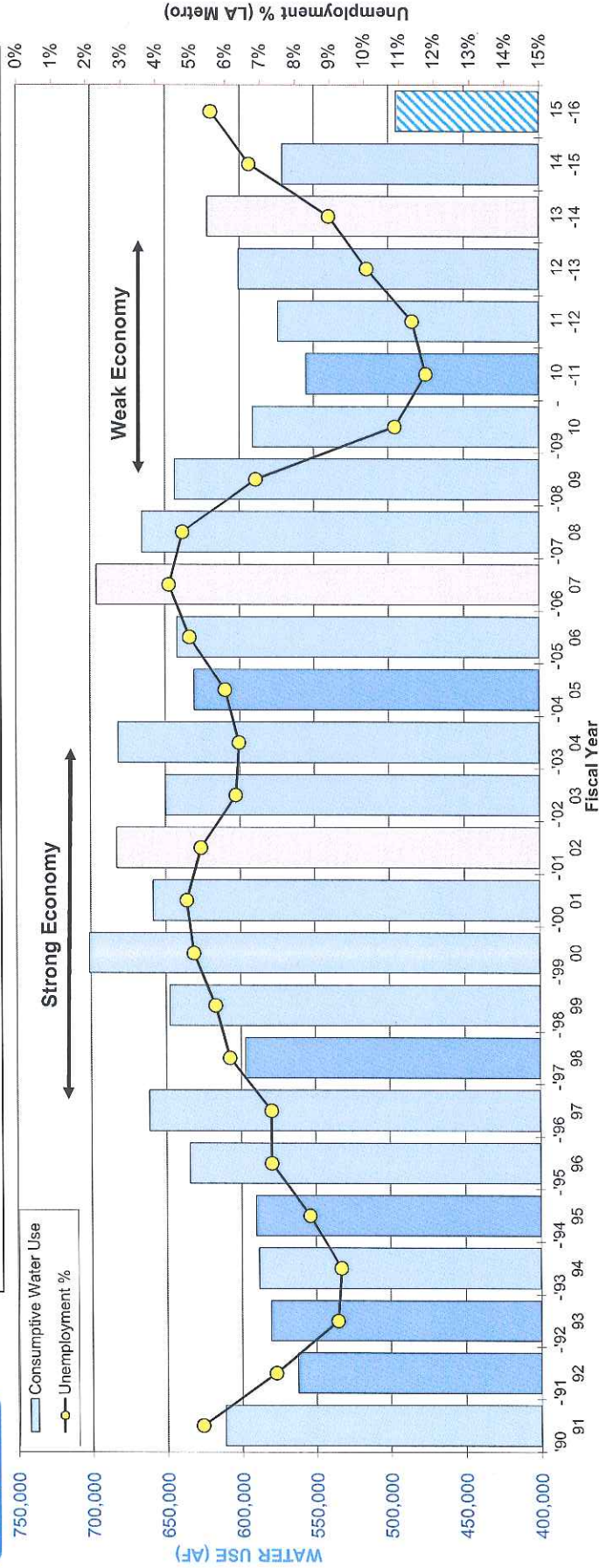


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Fig. 3D HISTORICAL WATER CONSUMPTION[1] AND Average Unemployment[2] IN OC



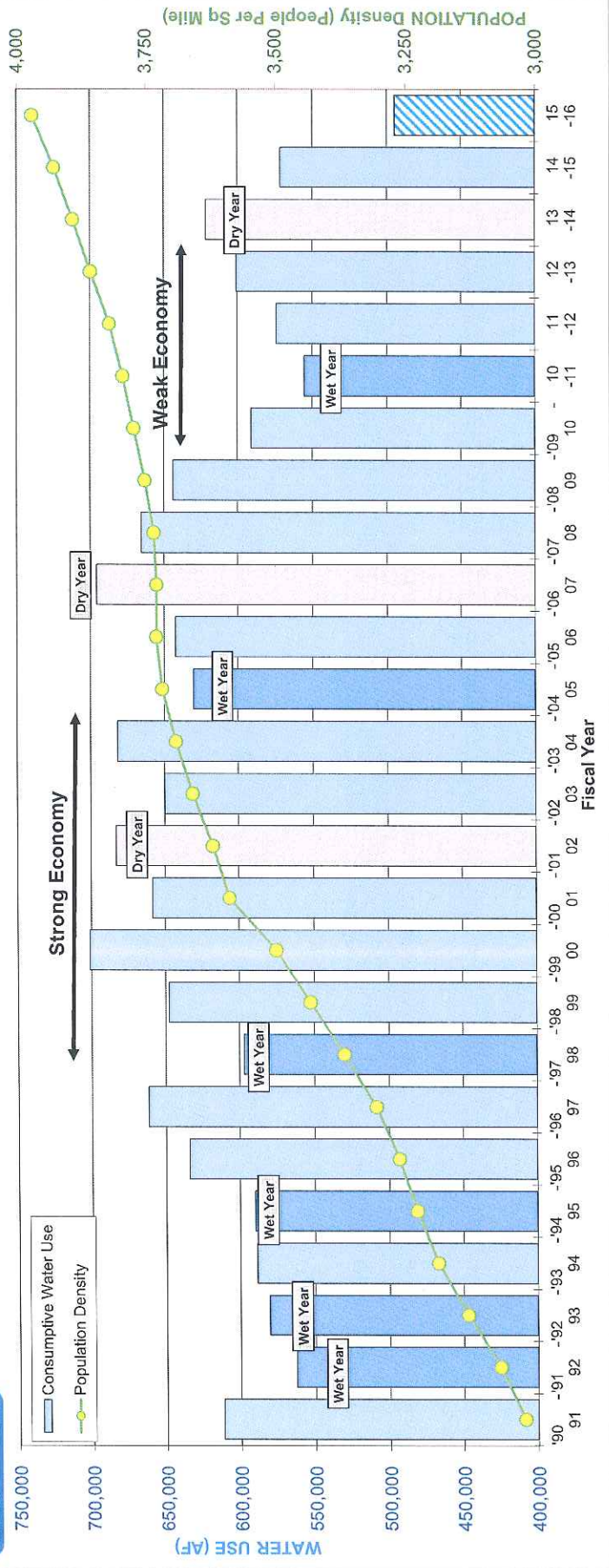
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[2] Employment Data source Bureau of Labor Statistic for Long Beach-L.A.-Santa Ana Metro Area

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Fig. 3E HISTORICAL WATER CONSUMPTION^[1] AND POPULATION DENSITY^[2] IN OC

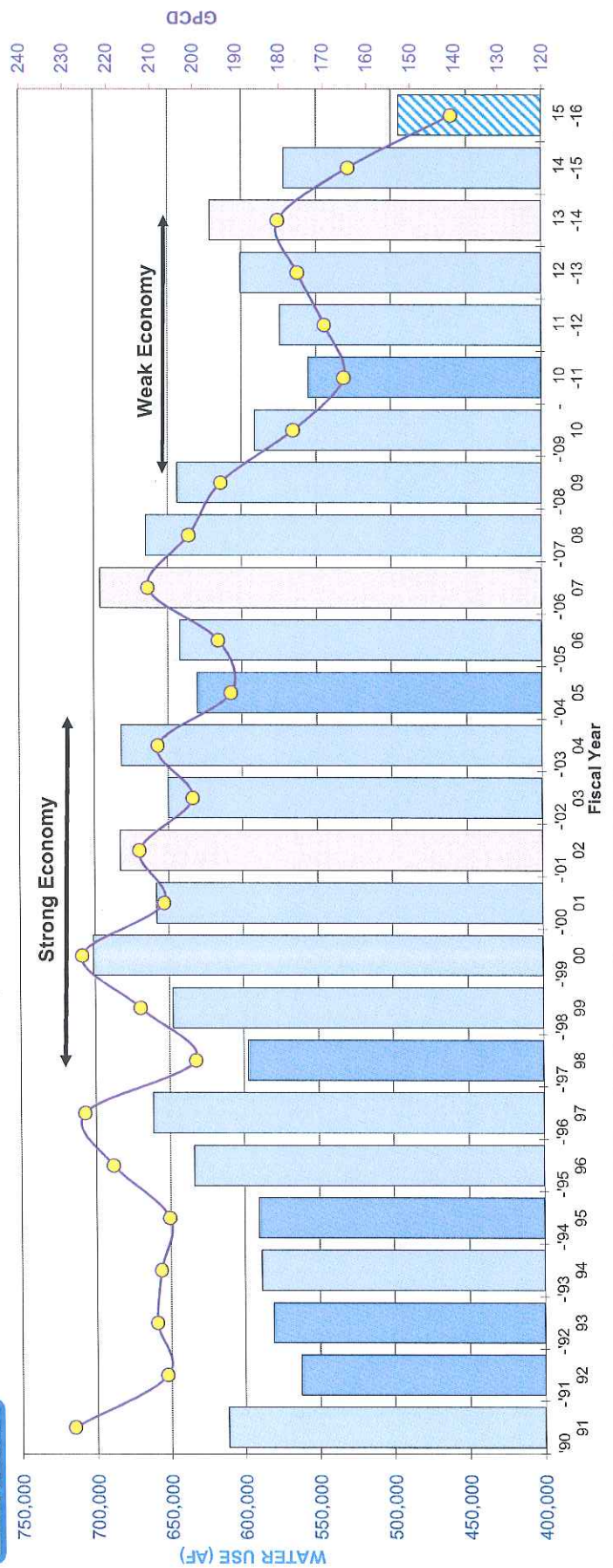


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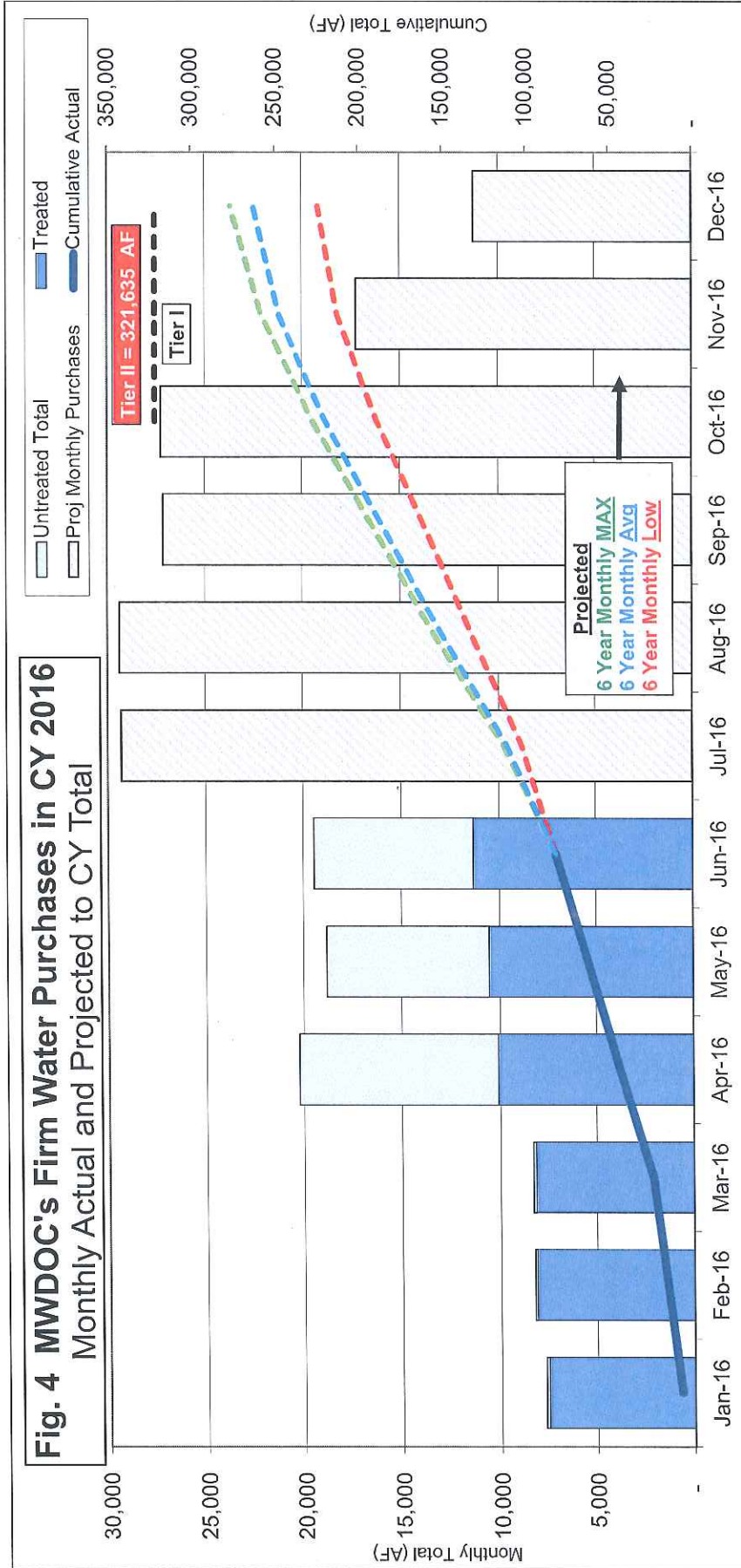


Fig. 3F HISTORICAL WATER CONSUMPTION[1] AND GPCD [2] IN OC



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 [2] Gallon per Capita Daily (includes all types of water usage and all type of water users).

Fig. 4 MWDOC's Firm Water Purchases in CY 2016
 Monthly Actual and Projected to CY Total



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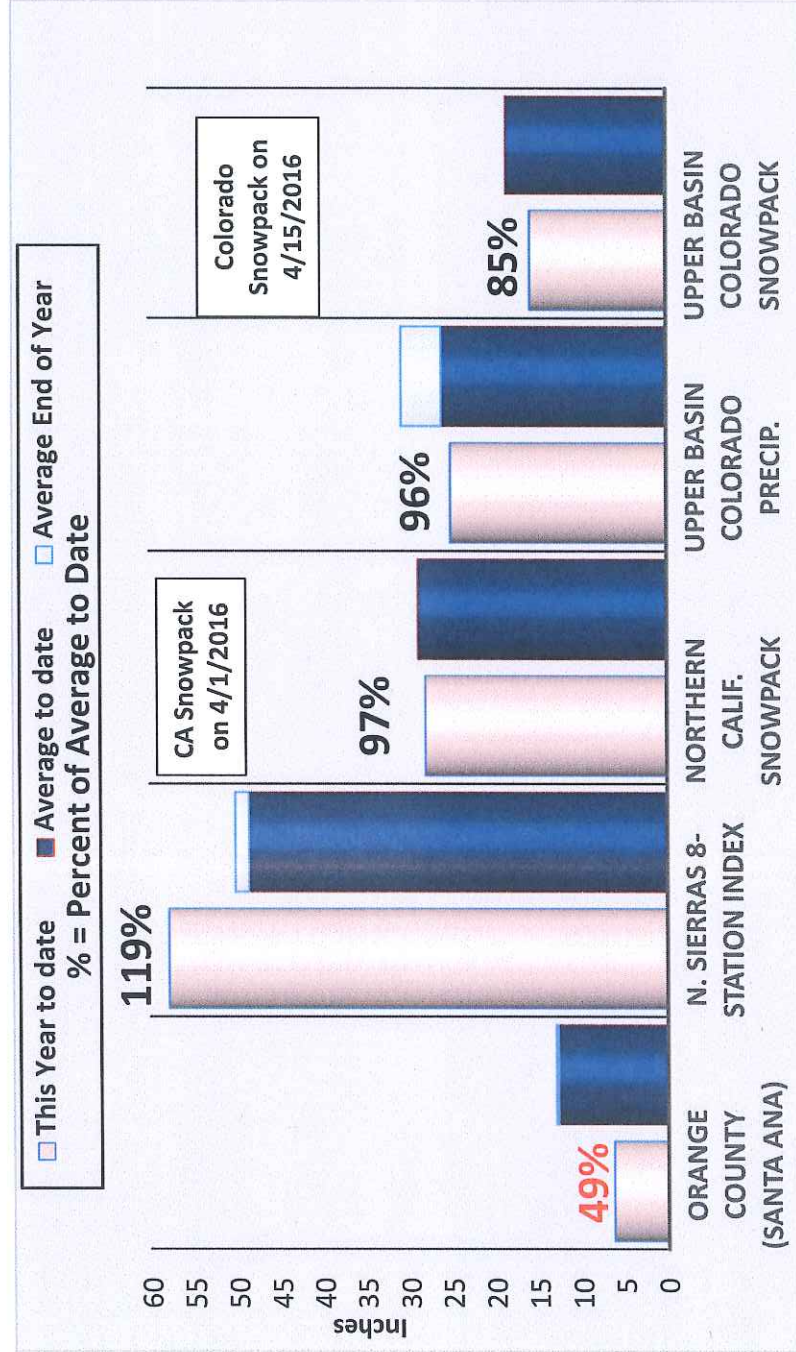
1. "Firm" includes Full Service (both Treated and Untreated) and Barrier water.
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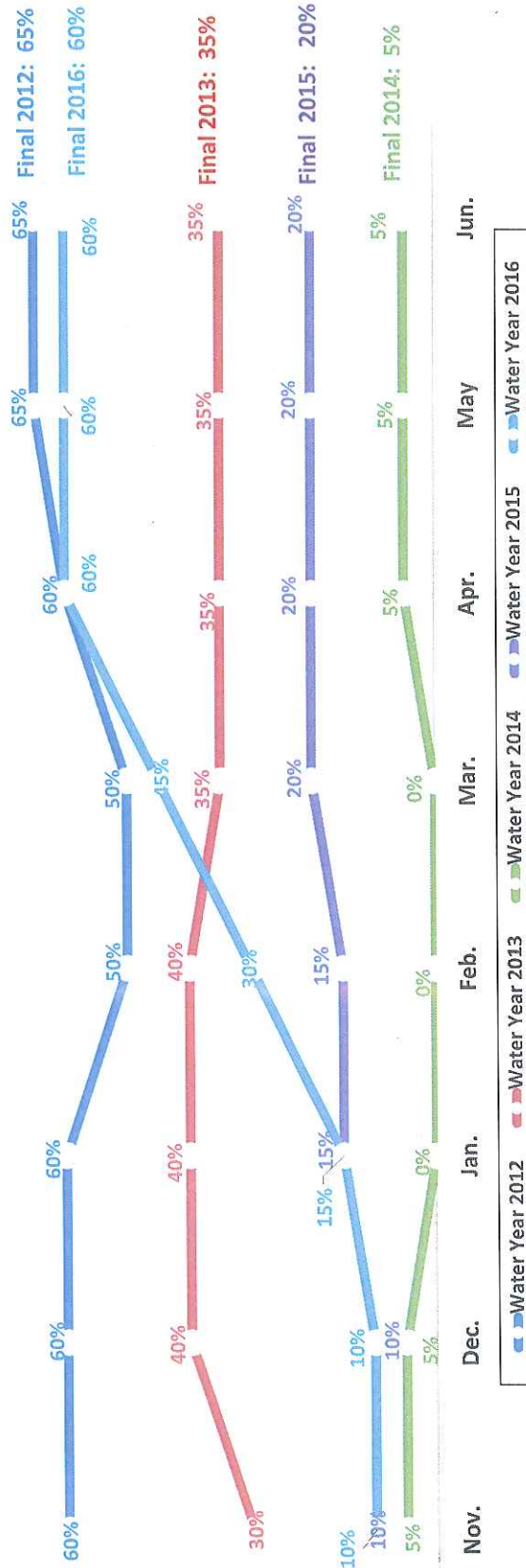
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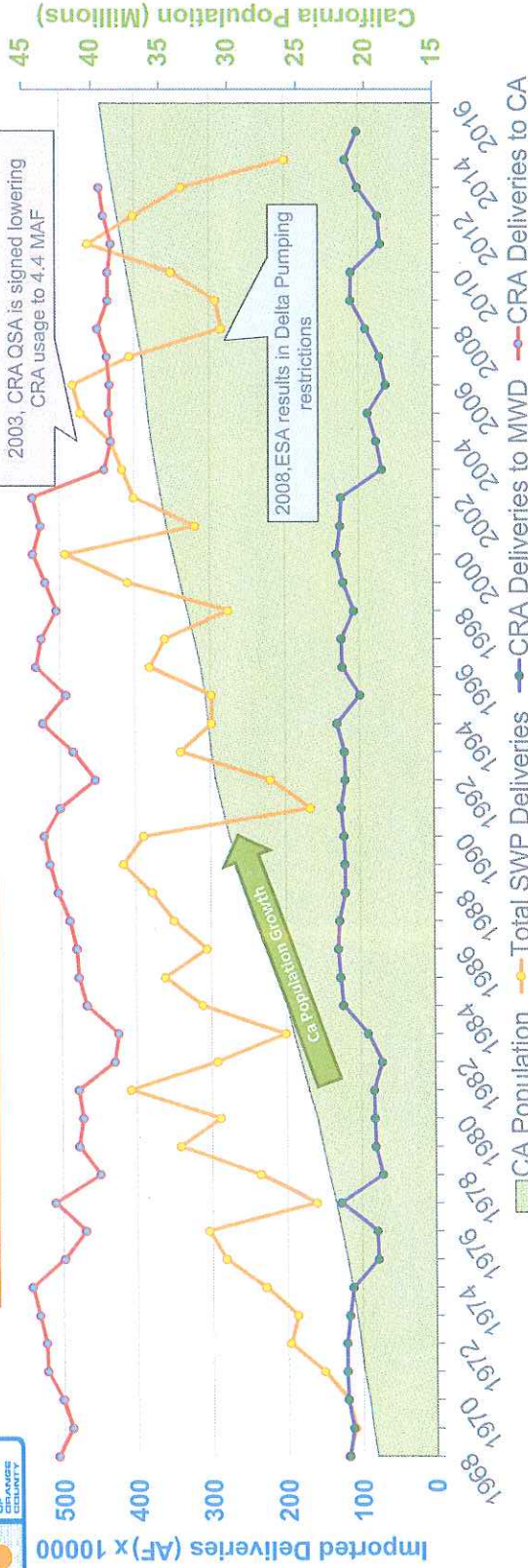
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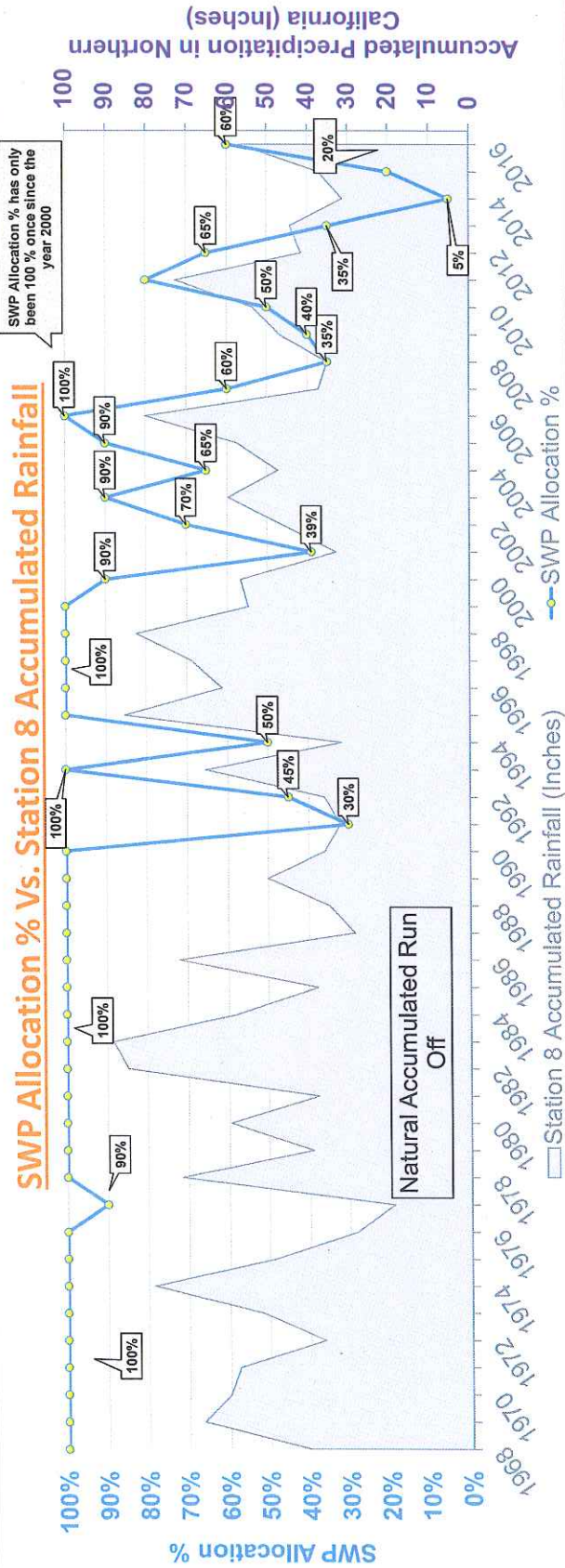


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Imported Water Deliveries Vs. California Population Growth

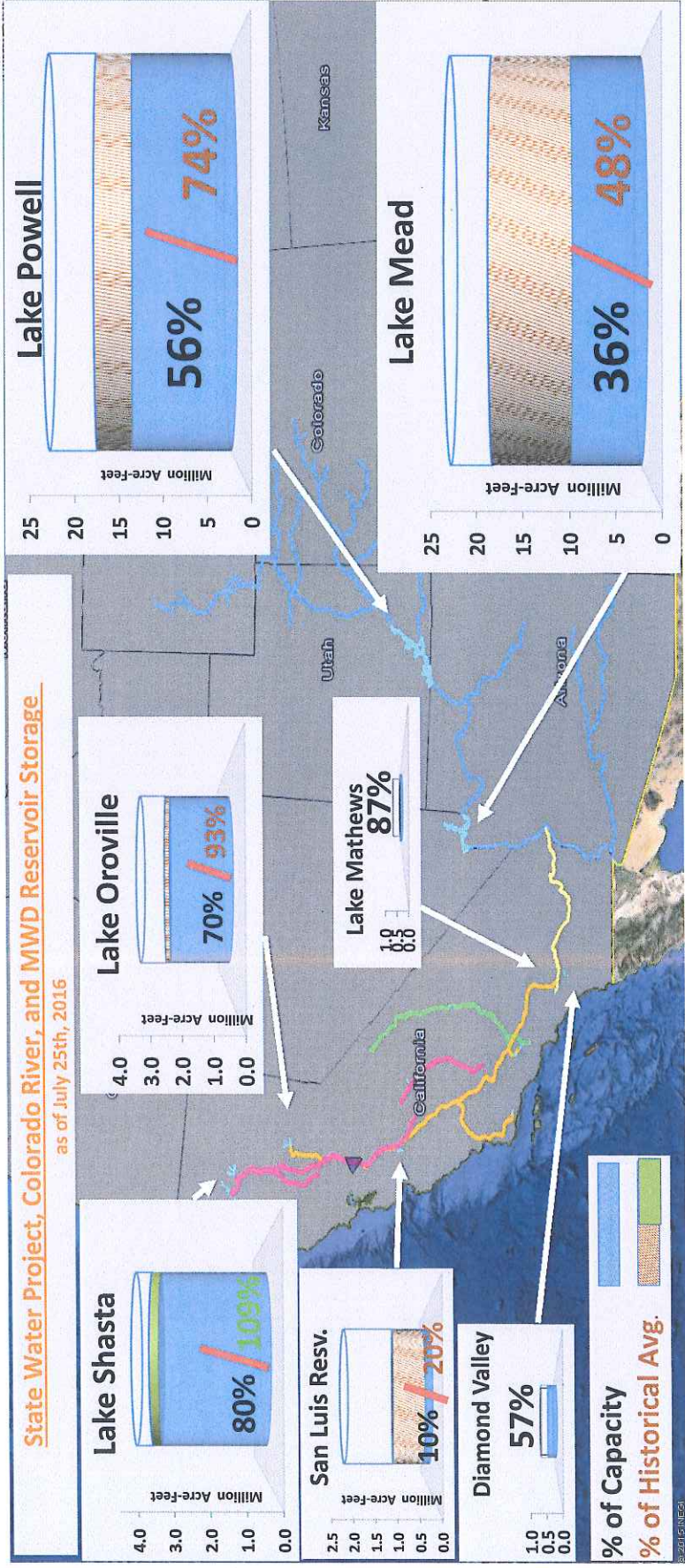


SWP Allocation % Vs. Station 8 Accumulated Rainfall



State Water Project, Colorado River, and MWD Reservoir Storage

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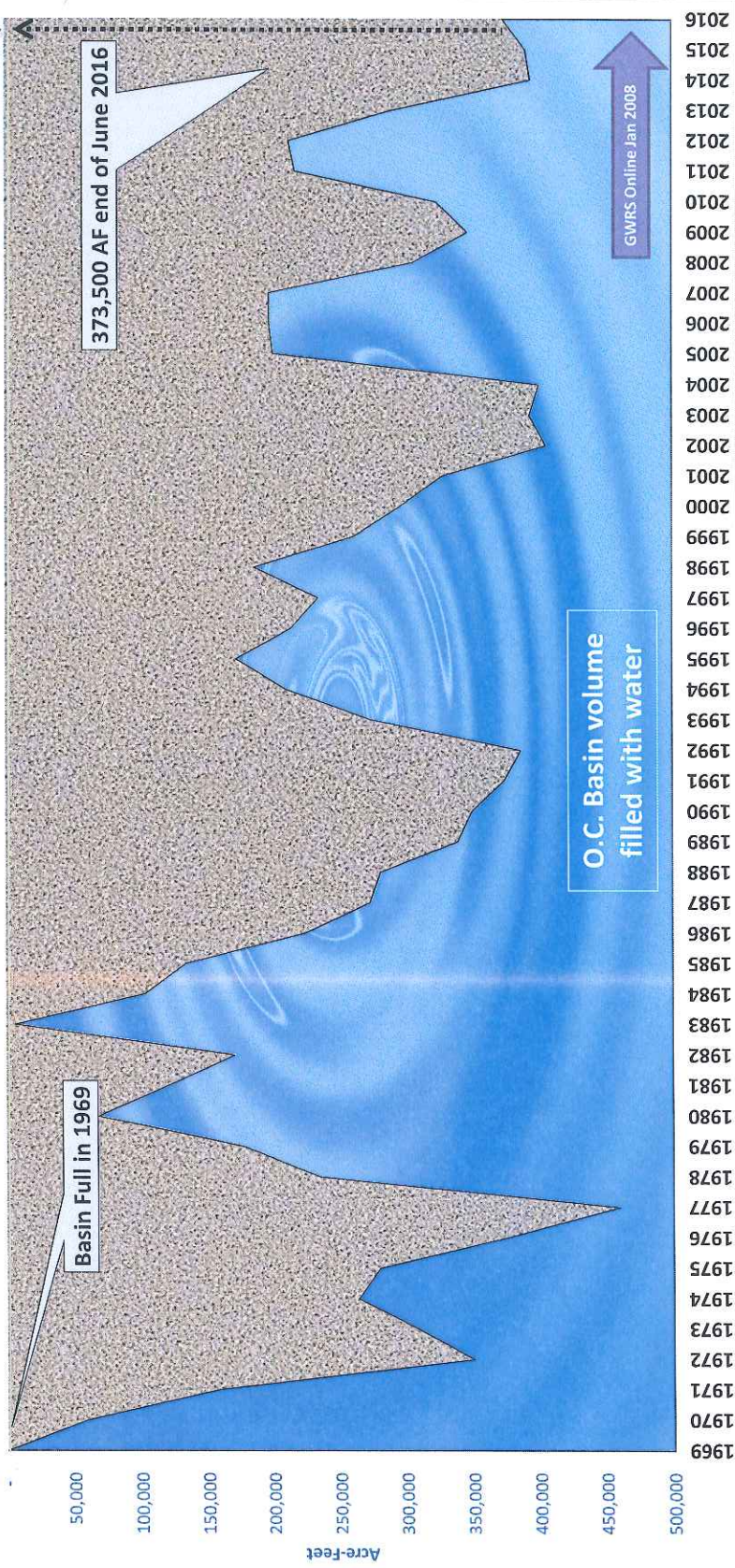
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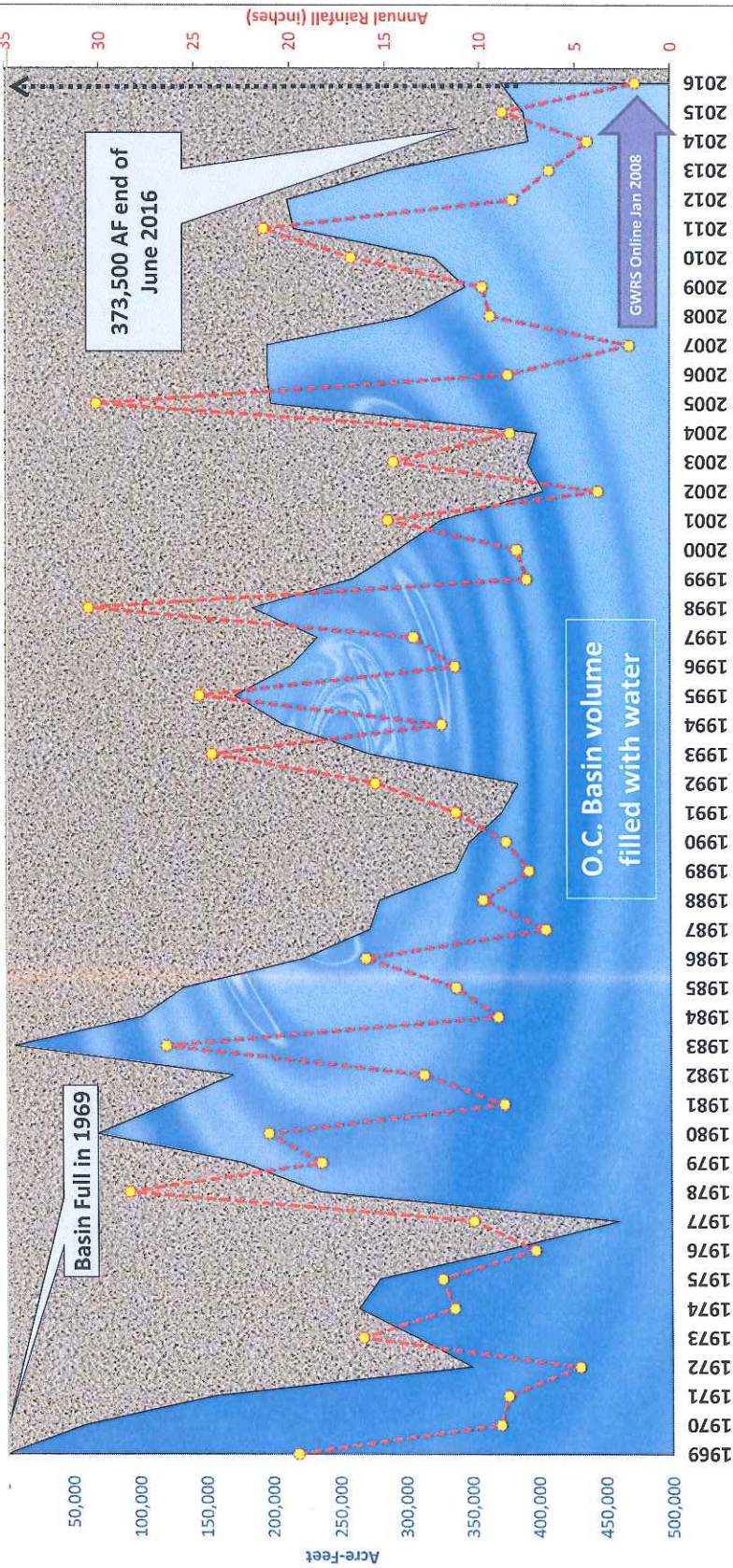


O.C. Basin Accumulated Overdraft Vs. Annual Rainfall

Annual, 1969 to Present



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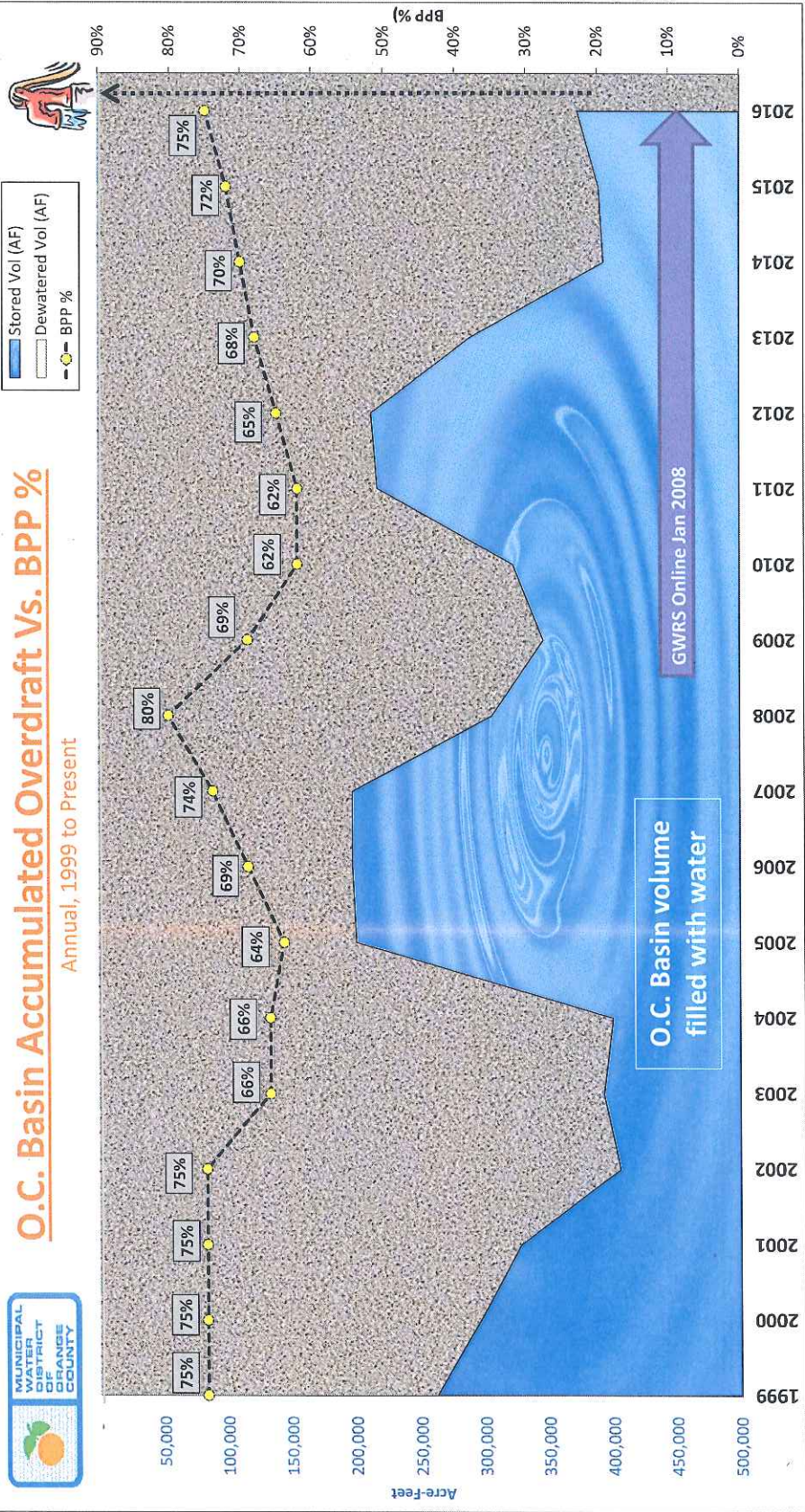


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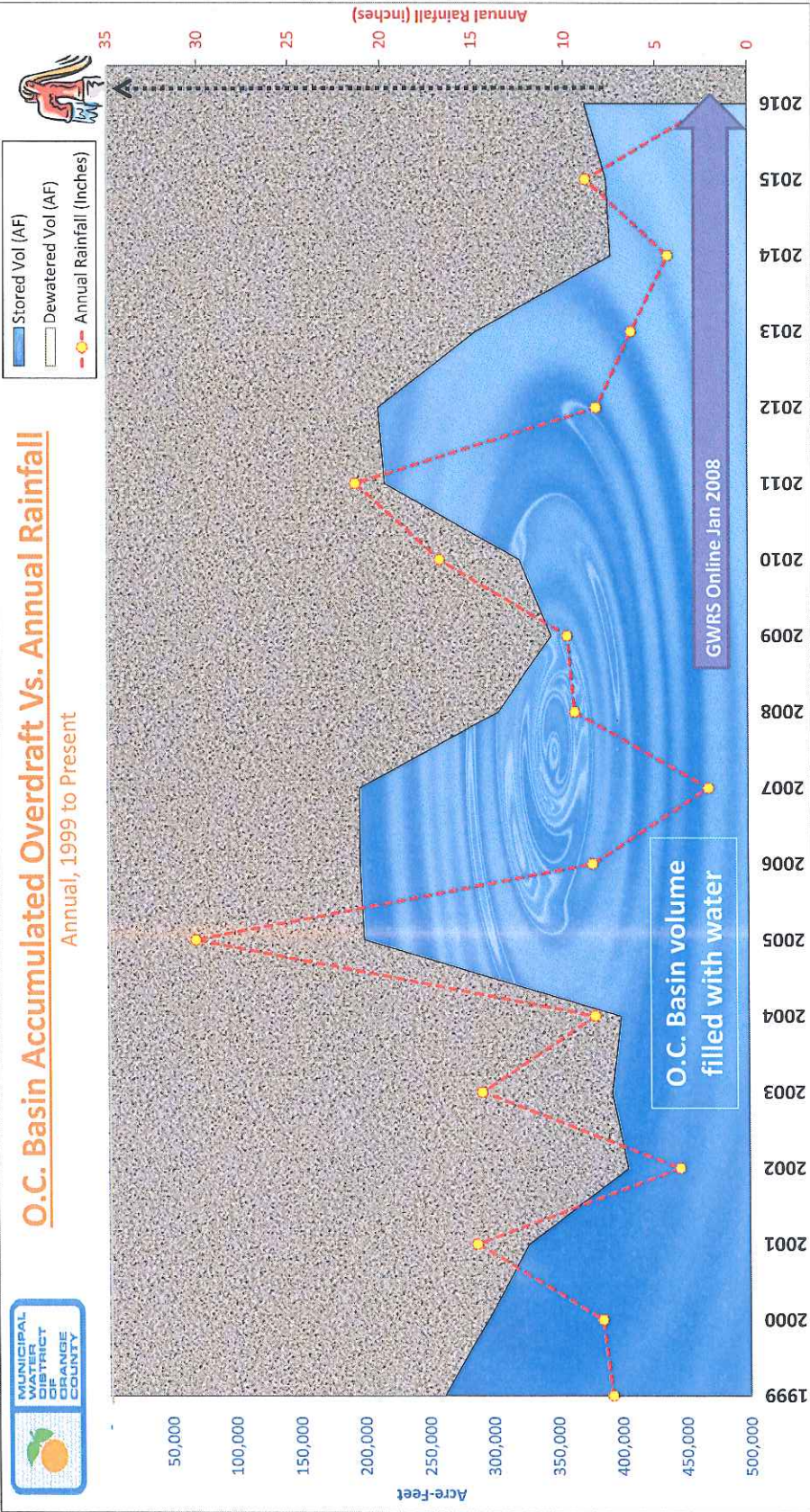


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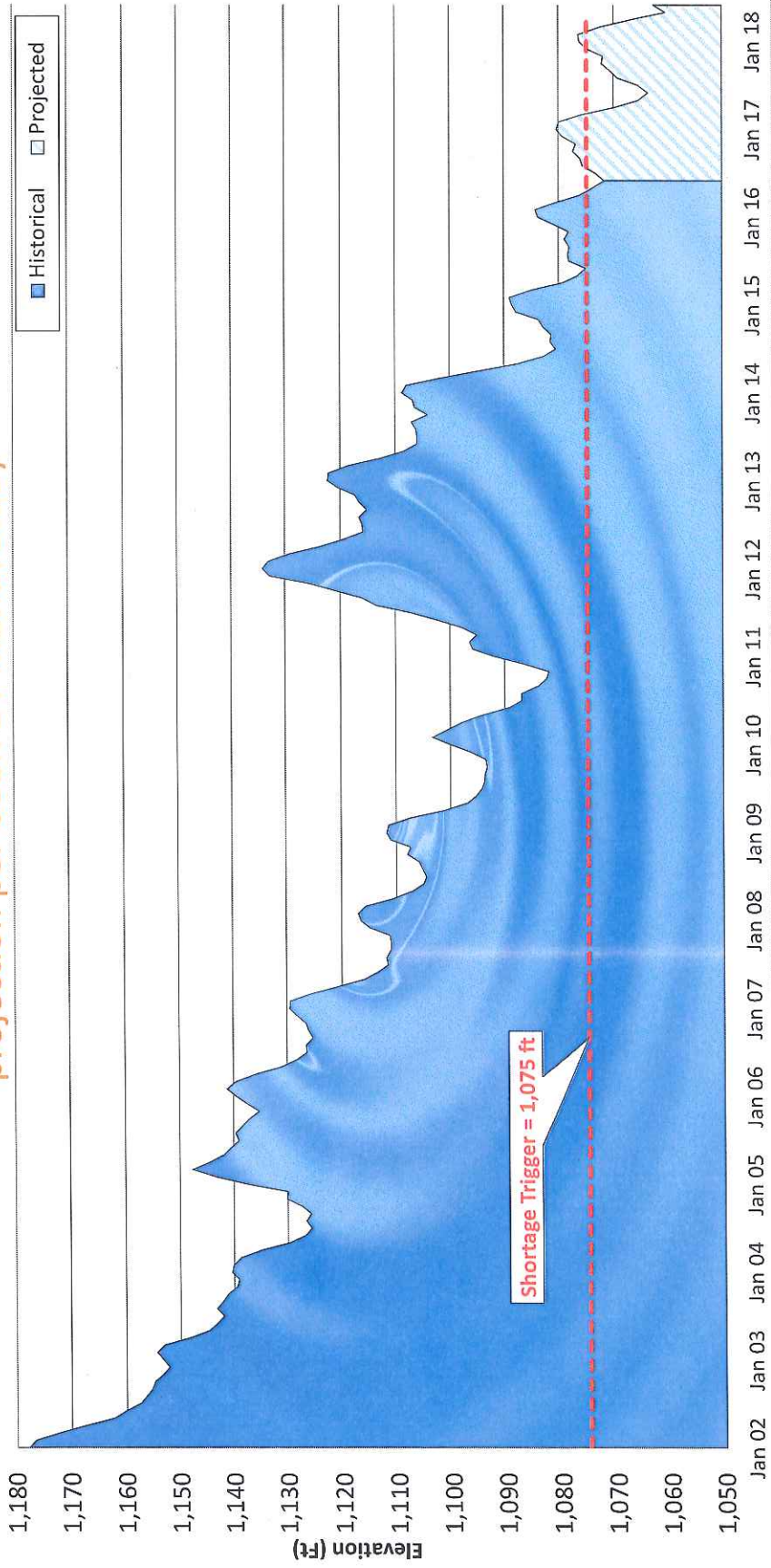
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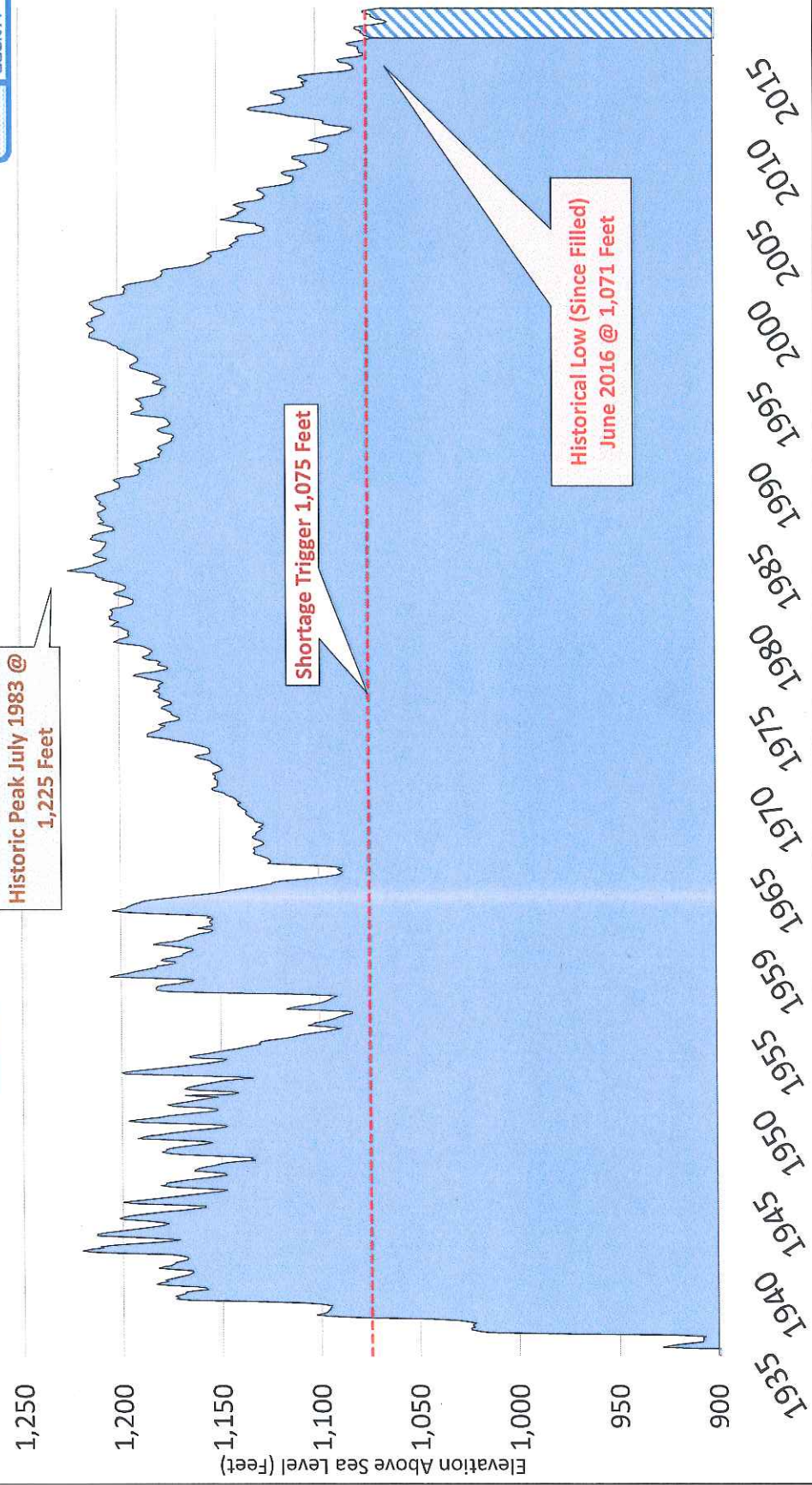


Lake Mead Levels: Historical and Projected projection per USBR 24-Month Study





Lake Mead Historical Water Elevation Level



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NEWS ARTICLES

OC Streetcar project wins \$28 million state grant, in line for federal funds

By **JESSICA KWONG**
STAFF WRITER

The planned OC Streetcar received a big boost Tuesday – a \$28 million state grant that could in turn elevate its position for crucial federal funds.

Orange County Transportation Authority, the lead agency developing the OC Streetcar, was among 14 recipients of \$390 million in competitive grants from the California State Transportation Agency's Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program. The program, funded through the state's cap-and-trade auction proceeds, is aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions through rail and transit investments.

For the OC Streetcar, receiving the sixth-highest award of 14 is "tremendously significant," said OCTA board member and Santa Ana Mayor Miguel Pulido.

"It's just another vote of confidence from an outside entity encouraging us to move forward and do the right thing," he said.

Pulido said the state grant "is only going to strengthen our position" for federal New Starts program funds. President Barack Obama in February included \$125 million in his budget for the streetcar, designed to run 4.1 miles from the Santa Ana Regional Transportation Center to a new transit hub at Harbor Boulevard and Westminster Avenue in Garden

Grove.

Statewide, 41 applicants competed for funds. The 14 projects selected are valued at \$3.8 billion and will reduce more than 4.1 million tons of carbon dioxide, according to the state transportation agency.

The OC Streetcar project "provides a clean mobility option through some of the most populated areas of the county," state transportation agency Secretary Brian Kelly said in a statement.

OCTA board members last month approved a 3 percent increase in the capital funding plan for the streetcar – with 30 percent of the design completed – bringing it to a \$297.9 million price tag.

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Amid controversy, sheriff's office adds legal help

A former deputy D.A. will advise on issues involving civil rights, Hutchens says.

By **JORDAN GRAHAM**
STAFF WRITER

Amid an ongoing jailhouse informants scandal that suggests Orange County sheriff's deputies may have violated defendants' civil liberties, Sheriff Sandra Hutchens has hired a full-time adviser to review her department's practices to ensure they are constitutionally sound.

Mary Izadi, who recently served for 11 years as a deputy district attorney in San Bernardino County, said her job will be proactive, aimed at seeking out potential problems in the Sheriff's Department before they occur. She will report directly to Hutchens.

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again," she said Tuesday, her fourth day on the job.

The Board of Supervisors approved the "constitutional policing adviser" position in March at Hutchens' request. At the time, the sheriff framed the hire as a response to a national trend of increasing public examination of law enforcement actions, and said the job would involve analyzing high-risk issues and reducing incidents that might lead to litigation.

Her search for a new adviser came amid accusations that deputies in her department have cultivated a team of jailhouse informants to get confessions illegally, withheld evidence from defense lawyers and lied on the witness stand. The scandal has led to six criminal cases unraveling.

Hutchens has said the jailhouse informants controversy was not the impetus for creating the position, but said she thought it was "a good time, given that we still have federal Department of Justice looking at our jails."

In addition to advising the sheriff and analyzing department policies and procedures, Izadi will monitor internal personnel investigations, review jailhouse deaths and deputy-involved shootings, and keep up to date on new laws and legal interpretations.

Some of Izadi's listed monitoring duties currently also fall to the Office of Independent Review, which answers directly to supervisors and is charged with providing civilian oversight of the Sheriff's Depart-



LEONARD ORTIZ, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Former San Bernardino County Deputy District Attorney Mary Izadi has been hired by the Orange County Sheriff's Department as an adviser on constitutional issues.

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MARY IZADI
LEGAL ADVISER

ment's internal investigations.

But that office has been leaderless since March, when embattled Executive Director Steve Connolly announced his resignation after months of supervisorial accusations that he had become too close to the sheriff and was ineffective in his role.

Supervisor Todd Spitzer, who was critical of Connolly for not uncovering the snitch scandal, said Tuesday that there could be some overlap between the two roles. But he said he sees value in Hutchens having more proactive, in-house legal advice.

Tom Dominguez, president of the Association of Orange County Deputy

Sheriffs, called Izadi's focus on civil liberties "admirable" but said her mandate would be too narrow if it did not address safety issues in the jail. In February, the union sued the county, alleging that staff reductions, unsafe jail conditions and a series of critical missteps contributed to the January escape of three inmates.

"Any person who reports directly to the sheriff is an extremely influential person in the department ... and I think it's her responsibility to bring these issues up to the department," Dominguez said.

So what will Izadi tackle first?

"See how the department works," she said. "She wants me to be a fresh pair of eyes. If there is something I see, from a legal or constitutional perspective, then I'm going to do my best to assist the different commands ... if there appears to be something lacking.

"From my first few days here, I don't see anything glaring that I would all of a sudden change."

Best Thing I Ate This Week: Nachos at Los Sanchez in Garden Grove is the real deal

By BRAD A. JOHNSON
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It's the simple things that are sometimes the hardest.

Take nachos, for example. Start with a handful of freshly made chips. Add some beans. Add some meat. Top it with cheese. Stick it in the oven or salamander until the cheese melts ... done.

Nachos aren't meant to be fancy. They're meant to be made like the ones at Los Sanchez in Garden Grove.

From the looks of it, I'm the last person in Orange County to discover this place. With seemingly a gazillion items on the menu, I found plenty to love

here, but nothing more so than the nachos.

The nachos are perfect in their restraint. The chips are freshly made. The carne asada is seasoned just right and heavily charred, almost like machaca. The refried beans are made from scratch and sparingly applied. The yellow cheese on top is the good stuff.

And as I dig my way through the pile, there's hardly a single chip that comes up naked.

Los Sanchez

Where: 11906 Garden Grove Blvd., Garden Grove

When: Lunch and dinner daily

Phone: 714-590-9300

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Photo by Loreen Berlin

Garden Grove Rotary Club 2016-2017 Club President Maria Stipe, seventh from left and standing, at a recent Rotary event.

GG Rotary prez proud of club's work

Rotarians in GG and across country have worked to eradicate polio

By Loreen Berlin

During a recent Garden Grove Rotary Club meeting, 2016-2017 President Maria Stipe gave, "Reasons to Love Rotary."

"The number-one reason to love Rotary right now is because we are about to eradicate a disease, and you and I can be a part of that process," said Stipe. "We are 99.9 percent of the way toward ending polio. As of June,

there were only 16 cases of wild poliovirus in the world and many think this could be the year we see the last naturally occurring case of polio."

Stipe said when Rotary began its campaign to end polio, more than 350,000 children were paralyzed every year by the dreaded virus.

Rotary International reported that the largest vaccine rollout

in history kicked off in April as a globally-coordinated effort to include the polio vaccine into routine immunization programs.

UNICEF said that between April 17 and the first of May, 155 countries and territories around the world stopped using the trivalent oral polio vaccine that protects against all three strains of wild poliovirus and that it has

see ROTARY,

School board puts \$311 mil bond on ballot

The measure would fund upgrades to the district's heating and cooling system

On Aug. 9, the Garden Grove Unified School District Board of Education approved a resolution that will ask voters to consider a \$311 million general obligation bond measure on the Nov. 8 ballot.

If approved, the measure would fund upgrades to the district's heating and cooling infrastructure and building electrical systems, air conditioning, seismic safety repairs, roof replacements, and updates to classrooms, science labs, and computer systems to support 21st century instruction. Also included would be renovations to athletic facilities which were built in 1958 and 1959 and have never been upgraded.

This is the second bond measure in district history; the voters overwhelmingly approved Measure A in 2010 to undertake the first phase of repairs and upgrades to schools, many of which were built 40 to 95 years ago. While Measure A is delivering on its promises, more than half of district classrooms do not have air conditioning.

"This district has a longstanding reputation of academic success and fiscal responsibility," said George West, Board of Edu-

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replaced it with OPV (bOPV), which protects against the remaining two wild polio strains, types 1 and 3.

"This transition, referred to as the global-vaccine-switch, is possible because type 2 wild polio has been eradicated. The switch is the first major step toward the eventual removal of all OPV after wild polio transmission has been stopped, though mass vaccination campaigns will continue until all types of polio have been eradicated and funding will be necessary for the efforts to continue," Stipe said.

She also quoted a statement made by Michael McGovern, chair of Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee: "This switch is an important step but we must maintain our support until every last child is safe from this disease."

Going on to mention the benefits of belonging to a club such

as Rotary, Stipe said environment can change a person's behavior and while at Rotary meetings, the handshakes, smiles and a hand-waves from fellow members and/or an offer to sit by them, can make a person relax, smile and "Be the person they want to be," rather than dealing with outside daily stresses and perhaps feeling upset or angry.

"Whether facing struggles or celebrating successes, the Garden Grove Rotary Club helps us to understand that we are in this together and gives us a place to foster friendships and support, while working on our causes," Stipe said.

Some of the Rotary successes in addition to eradicating polio include: for the past four years, the Garden Grove Rotary Club has stocked two emergency food and supply pantries and provided special food distribution-events at the Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center and Magnolia Park Family Resource Centers in Garden Grove.

Stipe said Rotary funds and

support were used to purchase perishable and non-perishable food items, diapers, baby supplies and personal hygiene items that are stocked at the centers. The items are distributed on an as-needed-basis and through special distribution events to individuals and families in the Garden Grove community who are suffering from stress because of housing and/or job displacement, domestic emergencies and other crises.

The Rotary motto is "Service Above Self" and the four-way test Rotarians apply to their activities is: Is it the Truth; Is it fair to all concerned; Will it build good will and better friendships; and will it be beneficial to all concerned?

"Every Rotarian brings something distinct and indispensable to the community, whether it's personality, passion, or professional experience," Stipe said. "That multidisciplinary perspective allows us to see and solve challenges in ways others cannot."

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cation president. "We will continue to make wise decisions that reflect the values of our community and provide our nearly 46,000 students with access to a high quality education."

The November bond measure would require approval from 55 percent of voters to pass. Every penny would benefit district schools and by law, no money could be used for administrator salaries. An independent citizens' bond oversight committee along with annual audits would ensure funds are spent as promised.

The annual tax is an estimated \$34 per \$100,000 of assessed property value or about \$8 per month for the typical homeowner.

The district conducted a comprehensive needs analysis and issued a communitywide survey in English, Spanish and Vietnamese. At its July study session, the board reviewed the survey results which indicated that 79 percent of survey participants agreed that installing air conditioning in classrooms is a high priority.

The Board of Education's resolution calling for the election is available online at www.ggusd.us and by contacting the Business Office at 714-663-6446.

Gem Theater prepares for biggest production to date

“Sweeney Todd” comes to GG, and the Gem has added exotic features sure to wow audiences

By Angela Hatcher

“Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street” is coming to The Gem Theater and this murderous musical may be one of the tastiest treats ever to grace its stage.

Presented by One More Productions, “Sweeney Todd” will run from Sept. 29 through Oct. 13 – just in time for a little pre-Halloween “fright night” celebrating.

As one of Southern California’s leading musical theater companies, OMP’s Co-owner and Artistic Director Damien Lorton says, “This is the biggest budget for any production that we have ever had, and we are going all out for ‘Sweeney Todd.’ On top of our

\$100,000 budget for lighting design, we have added an additional \$100,000 – and that’s just for lights! Designed by our award-winning set designer, we will be featuring an unbelievable two-story revolving set that literally extends over the audience. The sound design includes new body mics that will bring out the vocals of the magnificent singers in our cast... Can you tell how excited I am about this production? We already have our nine-piece live orchestra in place as well, and I can’t wait to share this special 1979 thriller with our audience.”

This dark, bloody, and deliciously funny Tony award-winning melodrama tells the tale of an or-

inary barber in the Victorian era who was wrongfully sentenced to life in prison by a corrupt judge.

The barber returns with vengeance in his heart, and his new life becomes anything but ordinary. Once he partners up with Mrs. Lovett and her struggling pie shop, the successful pair make a killing!

Sondheim’s stunning musical score has been called Sondheim’s “most perfect score,” and this soaring musical is one of the best “to die for” theatrical moments ever presented on stage.

A special Q & A session will directly follow the performance on Friday, Oct. 7 with some of the lead cast members and the production

crew. There will also be a special preview on Friday, Sept. 7 exclusive to season ticket holders.

General admission prices are \$28 each, Seniors (age 60 and up) \$23, and children (age 12 and under) \$18. Student Rush tickets at \$15 each are available for Thursday and Friday performances only. Opening Night Gala Event tickets for Saturday Night, Oct. 1 are \$40 each and season ticket holders receive an exclusive invitation to attend the post-show Catered Champagne Gala with the cast.

For more information or to purchase tickets, Call One More Productions at 714-741-9550, ext 221 or visit www.onemoreproductions.com.

City of Garden Grove

Notice Inviting Sealed Bids (IFB)

Project No. S-1173

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received at the office of the Purchasing Agent for the City of Garden Grove, Room 220, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, CA 92840 to Furnish all Labor, Material, Tools and Equipment for a Roof Replacement System at the Gem Theatre in Garden Grove, CA. A copy of the bid document may be obtained from the City of Garden Grove’s website. Contractors interested in submitting a bid for this project are required to attend a MANDATORY pre-bid meeting scheduled for 2:00 p.m., local time, on Wednesday, August 24, 2016 at the Gem Theater located at 12852 Main Street, Garden Grove, CA. Please direct any questions regarding this bid process to Sandra Segawa via email sandras@ci.garden-grove.ca.us. Bids are due and will be opened in the office of the Purchasing Agent at 2:00 p.m., local time, on Monday, September 12, 2016. Bids received after that exact time will not be considered.

Dated: August 10, 2016

Sandra Segawa, C.P.M., CPPB
Purchasing Agent
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Gang cops from around the world descend on Garden Grove for annual confab

By JOSHUA SUDOCK
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GARDEN GROVE – Law enforcement from around the world gathered at the Hyatt Regency Hotel on Tuesday to discuss gang enforcement during the 25th annual California Gang Investigators Association conference.

More than 700 gang cops from 163 agencies, 22 states and four countries assembled in a hotel ballroom and listened as a panel of top brass from various Southern California agencies welcomed them to the four-day seminar.

Over the next few days, officers will discuss best practices and try to enrich one another through guided conversations and workshops. They'll

explore various gang cultures by ethnicity, intelligence-gathering techniques, data analysis, human trafficking, ethics, personal safety and prison gangs.

"There are people in this room who have tried very creative means to solve cases and, in addition to the litany of (classes) and first-rate instructors, that's where the value is," Anaheim Deputy Chief Julian Harvey told participants. "Talk to these people during the breaks. That's the value of this conference."

While speakers were quick to note that crime rates in Orange County pale in comparison to places like Los Angeles, many noted an uptick in gang-related activities and violence in recent years, citing the passage of laws such as Assembly Bill 109, which shortens jail time for non-violent criminals, and Prop. 47, which reduces certain drug-possession felonies to misdemeanors.

"Over the past 20 months, gang violence in Orange County has surged with the city of Santa Ana leading the way," Garden Grove police Chief Todd Elgin told the group. "In 2016, the city of Santa Ana experienced 55 gang shootings in the first 50 days of the new year.

"In Garden Grove, gang assaults have increased 30 percent over the previous year, and we are seeing a resurgence in gang-recruitment activities in our neighborhoods," the chief said.

"Today's gang members ... utilize social media and technology to assist in their criminal activities," Elgin said.

Still, Orange County Sheriff Sandra Hutchens told the group she was optimistic about law enforcement's ability to keep pace with – and even get ahead of – evolving trends in gang activity.

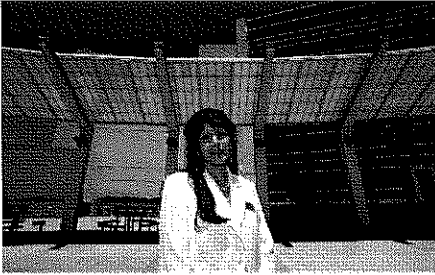
"I am inspired every time I address a group like this," Hutchens said. "With all of the obstacles placed in your way, you still step up to do the job and our communities are safer because of you."

Contact the writer: 714-796-7802 or jsudock@ocregister.com

CSUF center extends opportunities in Garden Grove

By MATTHEW ORMSETH

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It's hard enough to keep a full-time job, and harder still to study for a graduate degree or a professional certificate at the same time. For some, it's impossible when classes are held during the workday and at a campus nestled in the northeast corner of Orange County, miles away from work and home.

It was for this reason that Cal State Fullerton opened its Garden Grove Center in 1997, said Carol Creighton, associate dean of CSUF's University Extended Education program.

When the university heard that Fountain Valley-based Coastline Community College was planning to build a satellite campus in Garden Grove, administrators jumped at the chance to establish a CSUF outpost there as well.

At the Garden Grove Center, CSUF and Coastline classes are offered in the same building.

The Garden Grove Center is more centrally located than the main campus in Fullerton, and easier to reach for many who work in central or southern Orange County.

But location is not the only factor that determines whether a full-time worker can pursue a graduate degree or earn professional credentials. Most graduate and professional development programs require candidates to attend classes in the mornings and afternoons, which could rule out those working during the day. Many of the courses offered at the Garden Grove Center, however, are taught in the evenings, and scheduled specifically to accommodate those working full-time.

Both the center's location and its operating hours are in accordance with CSUF's commitment to extending opportunities and resources to a broader percentage of the Orange County community, Creighton said.

Creighton described the Garden Grove Center as "self-supporting"; that is, the costs of the programs offered there are covered primarily through tuition fees, rather than money from the state.

Interest in the programs offered at the Garden Grove Center has grown in recent years, and the Center typically enrolls around 3,000 students per academic year, Creighton said.

The Garden Grove Center was never intended to be a clone of the main campus in Fullerton. It serves a percentage of the population in Orange County "discrete and different" from the group at the Fullerton campus, Creighton explained, and the programs offered at Garden Grove are more oriented towards professional development and certification.

The center offers a number of master's degree programs as well.

One such program is the M.S. in counseling program, which allows candidates to obtain a Master of Science degree in 3 1/3 years.

The M.S. in counseling program at the Garden Grove Center is the same program as the one offered at the main campus, said associate professor David Shepard, who serves as an adviser to M.S. in counseling candidates at Garden Grove. The same instructors teach at both sites, and students study the same material. The difference is that counseling classes at Garden Grove are held in the evenings, while counseling classes at the Fullerton campus are during the day.

For this reason, the Garden Grove Center is a more popular option for many working professionals. Admittance into the program at Garden Grove is no less rigorous than at the main campus.

Despite their often hectic schedules, students at Garden Grove have proved more than capable of balancing workplace obligations and the rigors of pursuing a graduate degree, Shepard said.

"They're remarkably committed to keeping up with it. It's really impressive," Shepard said. "We're aware that it's demanding to have a job and to do this. And at the same time we can't lower our standards because we're turning out people who are responsible, to some degree, for the mental health of their clients."

Unlike the M.S. in counseling program at the Fullerton campus, candidates at the Garden Grove Center go from start to finish together in a "cohort" program.

While M.S. candidates at the Fullerton campus can choose the number of classes they enroll in each semester and set the pace for the completion of their degree, candidates at Garden Grove are grouped together at the start of the program in "cohorts" — groups of students who travel from start to finish, course to successive course, as a single unit. While the cohort system offers less flexibility than the program at the Fullerton campus, it appeals to some students because it guarantees a specific graduation date, Shepard explained.

Also, cohorts often create strong bonds between students who have gone through the same classes, taken the same tests and done the same readings at the same time.

"People build a sense of community," Shepard said. "People really get to know each other."

Candidates enroll in the counseling program at Garden Grove for a number of reasons.

Some are looking to advance their careers but lack the higher-level degrees to do so. Others are considering a career shift, but can't quit their jobs to return to school full-time.

"For all those reasons," Shepard said, "we want to make sure that for people in the Orange County area — and that includes also L.A., San Diego — are aware that the program exists so that those people who need to work 8:30 to 5:00 know that, yes, there is a way to do this."

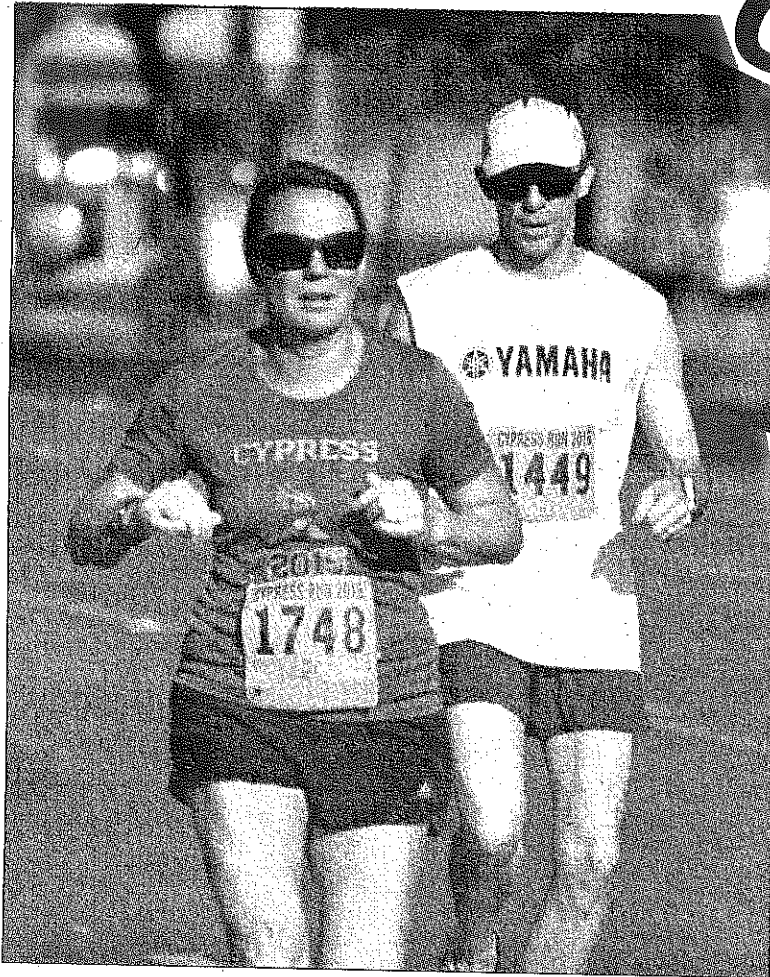
Despite the 11 miles that separate the Garden Grove Center from the university's main campus, students enrolled at Garden Grove are integrated members of CSUF's campus community.

"In terms of student organizations, student access to facilities, social functions — they're all intermixed," Shepard said. "They're full-fledged members of the whole program."

Students at Garden Grove graduate alongside their classmates from the main campus at the completion of the program.

"Their academic records are just like people on campus, they're very strong," Shepard said. "It's a very hard program to get into and they meet really tough criteria."

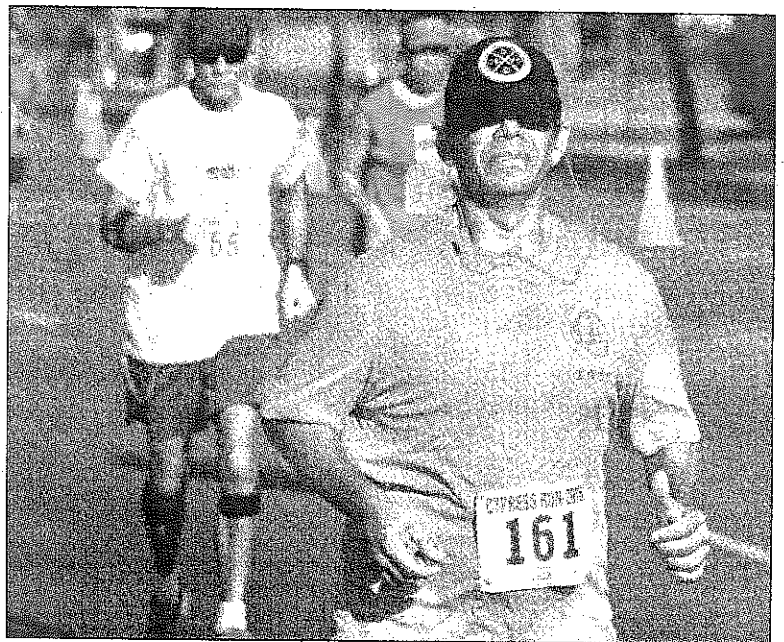
The difference between the two is that students at Garden Grove need a program compatible with the timetables of full-time employment. And while CSUF can offer a program that allows students to work during the day and study during the evening, the responsibility of meeting the obligations of both a full-time job and an extensive graduate degree program ultimately falls to the students themselves. "They have to find time somehow to do all the reading that on-campus people do, and they do it," Shepard said. "It takes a lot of courage and discipline, but they do it."



Garden Grove runners make fast impression in 10K/5K race

Photos by Ted Apodaca
Gary Starke, right, of Garden Grove, nears the finish of the recently-held Cypress 5K, alongside Gusti Lind of Long Beach. Starke ran the course in 23:15.

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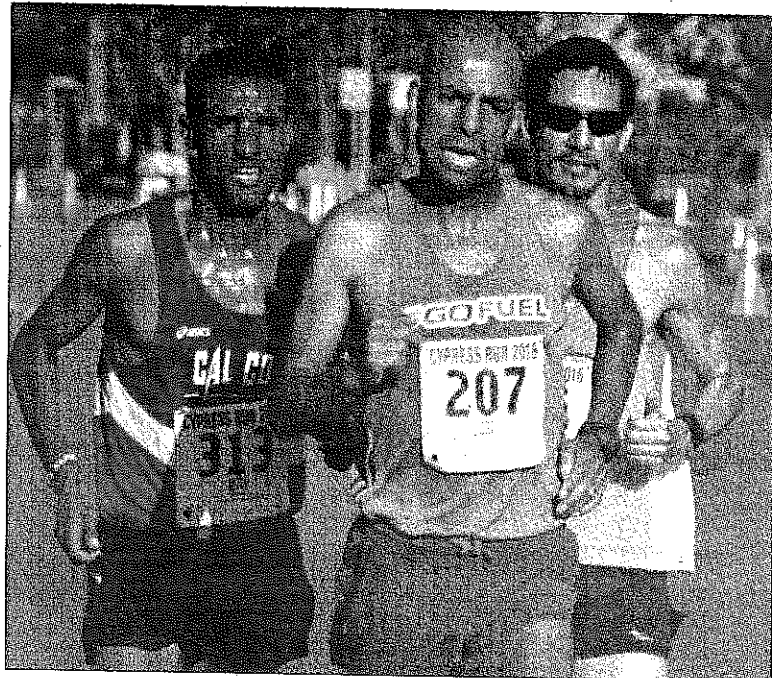


Garden Grove resident Christopher Camden ran the Cypress 10K in a time of 57:10 and was in the top 10 in the male 45-49 division.



Merce Sastre, 47, of Garden Grove, was the 40th overall finisher in the Cypress 5K with a time of 19:37.

From left, Yonas Mebrahtu, Karim El Mabchour and Juan Paredes run a tight race near the end of the first half of the Cypress 10K run. El Mabchour, of Albuquerque, would eventually edge out Mebrahtu, of Garden Grove, by three seconds for first place. El Mabchour and Yonas Mebrahtu paced the field from wire to wire, with El Mabchour edging out Mebrahtu to win the Cypress 10K run through the streets of Cypress. El Mabchour finished the course in a time of 30 minutes, 56 seconds, with Mebrahtu, 28, finishing in 30:59.



Garden Grove police plan DUI checkpoint

Those who choose to imbibe on Aug. 19 are urged to plan ahead and not drive while intoxicated

The Garden Grove Police Department Traffic Unit will be conducting a DUI/Driver License Checkpoint on Aug. 19 and 20 at an undisclosed location within the city limits between the hours of 9 p.m. and 3 a.m.

The deterrent effect of DUI checkpoints is a proven resource in reducing the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug involved crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized DUI checkpoints and proactive DUI patrols are conducted routinely.

DUI checkpoints are placed in locations based on collision statistics and frequency of DUI arrests, affording the greatest opportunity for achieving drunk and drugged driving deterrence. Locations are chosen with safety considerations for the officers and the public.

In California, this deadly crime led to 867 deaths and more than 23,000 serious injuries in 2013 because someone failed to des-

ignate a sober driver. Nationally, the latest data shows more than 10,000 were killed by an impaired driver.

Over the course of the past three years, officers have investigated 693 DUI collisions which have claimed nine lives and resulted in another 225 injuries.

Officers will be looking for signs of alcohol and/or drug impairment with officers checking drivers for proper licensing, delaying motorists only momentarily.

When possible, specially trained officers will be available to evaluate those suspected of drug-impaired driving, which now accounts for a growing number of impaired driving crashes.

Recent statistics reveal that 30 percent of drivers in fatal crashes had one or more drugs in their systems. A study of active drivers showed more tested positive for drugs that may impair driving (14 percent) than did for alcohol (7.3 percent).

Of the drugs, marijuana was

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most prevalent, at 7.4 percent, slightly more than alcohol.

Everyone should be mindful that if you're taking medication – whether prescription or over-the-counter – drinking even small amounts of alcohol can greatly intensify the impairment effects.

Law enforcement emphasizes the preventable nature of drunk driving, reminding everyone that all it takes is a little planning ahead. Designate a sober driver or call a cab. But whatever you do, don't drink and drive.

The California Office of Traffic Safety DDVIP (Designated Driver VIP) mobile app is now available for free download on iOS and Android devices. Launched last year, the new DDVIP app offers enhanced features, allowing users to "Map a Spot" with their current location to find DDVIP partnering establishments in their area or a "List of Spots" to search all participating bars and restaurants throughout California.

Users will be offered free incentives at each bar to celebrate their life saving role. They can stay up-to-date with the latest from DDVIP and see what other users are saying via its social tab. Also through

the app, for those who want to imbibe but also make it a point to plan ahead, users can easily order a sober ride from Uber, Lyft or Curb – all from one screen.

Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, other expenses that can exceed \$10,000 not to mention the embarrassment when friends and family find out.

Funding for this checkpoint is provided to the Garden Grove Police Department by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Bridge to be renamed after Olympic medalist

As millions around the world gather to celebrate the 2016 Rio Olympic Games, State Sen. Janet Nguyen, who represents Garden Grove and Westminster, is proud to announce that the California State Legislature has approved Senate Concurrent Resolution 102 (SCR 102) authorizing the renaming of a bridge in Long Beach after Joan Lind Van Blom, the first woman to win an Olympic medal in rowing for the United States.

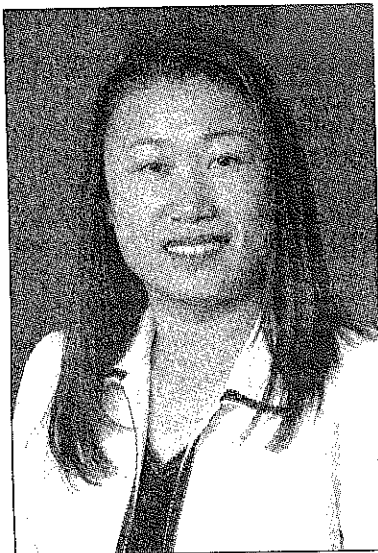
To further honor her legacy, plans are also underway to host a public ceremony officially dedicating the bridge in honor of the longtime Long Beach resident.

"From the Olympic stage to the classroom, Joan Lind Van Blom was a woman who displayed great courage and a commitment to uplift her country and community," said Nguyen. "The renaming of this bridge is a small token of appreciation for her decades of contributions as an Olympian and educator. I am proud that the California State Legislature has chosen to honor her legacy."

Nguyen introduced SCR 102 at the request of The Long Beach Century Club, a non-profit organization founded in 1957 by a group of prominent Long Beach sports enthusiasts dedicated to the promotion of amateur athletics in the city. In recognition for her contributions to the sports community, Joan Lind Van Blom was inducted into the Long Beach Century Club's Hall of Fame in 1996.

"The Long Beach community greatly appreciates Senator Nguyen's efforts in renaming the bridge after a Long Beach Olympic icon," said the Gary DeLong, former Long Beach councilman and member of the Long Beach Century Club.

To celebrate this momentous occasion, Nguyen, the City of Long



Courtesy photo
Sen. Janet Nguyen

Beach, Caltrans and the Long Beach Century Club are planning to host a ceremony to officially rename the bridge located on State Highway Route 1, south of Loynes Drive and north of East Second Street. Thanks to the generosity of the Long Beach Century Club and Long Beach City Council members Suzie Price, Daryl Supernaw and Dee Andrews, plans are also under way to purchase permanent signage displaying the bridge's new name.

"Joan Lind Van Blom is one of the most remarkable athletes to ever live and was even more impressive for her dedication to her Long Beach community. Having a bridge in east Long Beach named after her will serve as a daily reminder of the positive legacy she has left behind," said Councilwoman Suzie Price.

In addition to being the first woman to win an Olympic medal in rowing for the United States at the 1976 Olympic Games in Montreal, Joan Lind Van Blom also won a silver medal in the quadruple sculls at the 1984 Olympic Games in Los

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Angeles. She was also a member of the 1980 Olympic team that boycotted the Moscow Games.

Following her Olympic career, Joan Lind Van Blom excelled in the field of education, motivating students to live healthy and active lives during her 35-year career with

the Long Beach Unified School District as a physical education teacher and curriculum leader. She would continue to advocate for rowing and healthy lifestyles until her passing on Aug. 28, 2015 after years of battling an aggressive form of brain cancer.

"The bridge to be renamed has a special significance as Joan rowed under it countless times during her remarkable career. It is only fitting that from now forward this bridge carries the name of a woman who touched the lives of many Long Beach residents," said Nguyen.

Community Calendar

Ongoing

Overachievers, check this out
Achievers Club 9331 is hosting
communication and leadership
meetings featuring professional
speakers at the Crystal Cathedral
Tower of Hope, 12141 Lewis St.
Meetings will be held every Thurs-
day except during Thanksgiving,
Christmas, and New Year's holi-
day weeks. For more information,
call Barbara Barrientas at 714-
971-4123, e-mail bbarrientas@
crystalcathedral.org or visit www.
orgsites.com/ca/achievers9331.

Chamber holds Friday meetings
The Garden Grove Chamber's
Governmental Affairs Commit-
tee meets the second Friday of
the month from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at
the Community Meeting Center,
11300 Stanford Ave. in Garden
Grove. For more information, call
the chamber at 714-638-7950.

Grief support

The Grief Share Support Group
is for mothers who have lost
children of every age.
The group meets Thursday eve-
nings at 12831 Olive St., Garden
Grove.
For more information, call 714-

892-1520 or 714-343-7516.

Learn about Alzheimer's
The Alzheimer's Association of
Orange County hosts a support
group to provide an opportunity
to meet other caregivers and
families, share experiences and
exchange ideas. These meetings
are free and open to all caregi-
vers and family members of indi-
viduals with dementia. All groups
listed are in compliance with
chapter and national standards.
This is a faith-based meeting and
may include prayer or pastoral
speaker, and will take place at 1
p.m. Saturdays at the Crystal Ca-
thedral Arboretum, 12141 Lewis
St. in Garden Grove. For more
information, call Peggy Woelke at
714-634-2161.

Dance Center hosts social
Join the staff of the Cedarbrook
Dance Center for nights of
square dancing, line dancing,
round dancing (pre-choreo-
graphed social dancing) and
salsa. The Dance Center is at
12812 Garden Grove Blvd. For
more information on classes, call
Eileen Silvia at (949) 637-4169.

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Eco-friendly storytime
Family storytime all through the
summer will highlight books
about our environment and the
animals that live in rivers, oceans
and icy places. All ages are en-
couraged to attend at 7 p.m. ev-
ery Tuesday at the Garden Grove
Regional Library, 11200 Stanford
Ave. in Garden Grove. For more
information, call 714-530-0711.

Rotary Club to meet
The Rotary Club of Garden
Grove meets at 12:10 p.m.
Wednesdays at The Marriott
Hotel, at Chapman Avenue and
Harbor Boulevard in Garden
Grove.

GG Kiwanis to meet
The Kiwanis Club of Garden
Grove hosts dinner meetings at
7 p.m. Thursdays at Kiwanisland,
9840 Larson Ave. Social hour be-
gins at 6 p.m. Call 714-892-7267.

City Hall to be shuttered
The Westminster City Hall, at
8200 Westminster Blvd., will be
closed on alternating Fridays.

Join preschool storytime hour
Join the Westminster Public Li-
brary for stories, songs, and crafts
at 10:30 a.m. each Wednesday
with your preschool-aged child.
The Westminster Library is at
8180 13th St. in Westminster.
Contact the children's librarian,
Anna, with questions at 714-893-
5057.

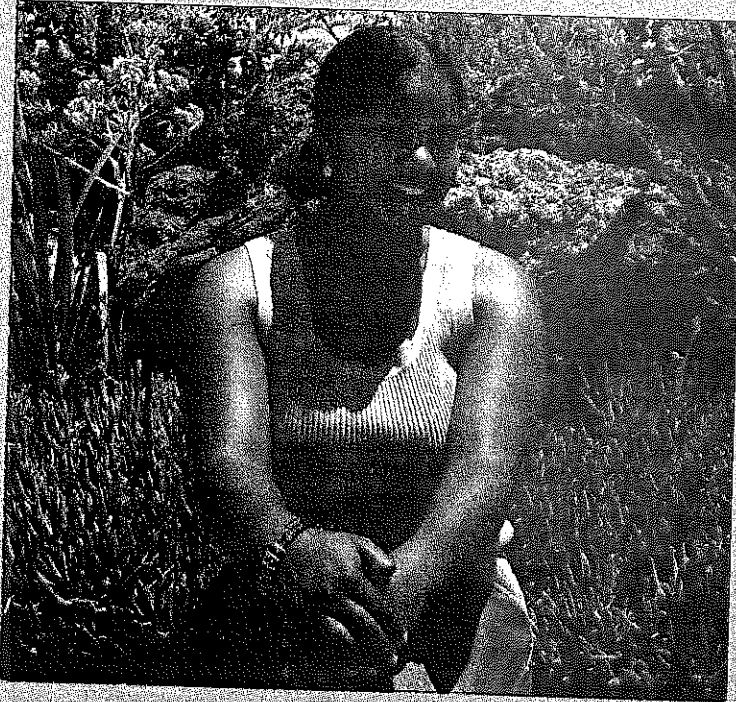
Cartoonist lessons offered
Artists ages 6-12 will have fun
drawing and coloring a myriad
of expressive characters while
learning how to stay on task,
follow directions, and be visually,
spatially organized. There will be
new lessons each week, even for
previous students. The next class
will be held at 5 p.m. on Tuesdays
in the Westminster Civic Center

craft room, 8200 Westminster
Blvd. in Westminster.

City Council to meet
Anaheim City Council meetings
are held in City Hall Council
Chambers, 200 S. Anaheim
Blvd., first floor. Public session
commences at 5 p.m. the second
and fourth Tuesdays of the month.
The meetings are broadcasted
on local cable Channel 3 and
can also be viewed live online at
www.anaheim.net.

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Spotlight: Sensational Student



Courtesy photo

Jessica Cedillo is our Sensational Student this week. Jessica, 16 and a junior at Pacifica High School, is a scholar, an athlete and a volunteer. She plays three sports and holds a 3.5 academic GPA. In 2014, she won the Youth of the Year award for Boys and Girls Club of Stanton. Jessica has been volunteering in Stanton for 10 years. She holds the position of vice president in the Stanton Youth Committee. After high school, her dream is to study political science/ sociology, work for the Orange County Sheriff's Department, and eventually become a sociologist for the BAU. Jessica hopes that one day she will have the opportunity to combat human trafficking.

Masons help students

The Garden Grove Masonic Lodge donated 100 backpacks stuffed with school supplies to Project Hope children on the morning of Aug. 6.

The Project Hope School is a county-run school designed to help children without permanent homes transition into the mainstream education system.

The Masons have been saving money since January 2016 for this project, which was under the leadership of Roger Buinadi, an officer of the lodge.

Ryan Jones, who is the master (or president) of Garden Grove Masons, said, "After Roger told us he wanted to do this project, all the officers and members of the Lodge threw themselves in support of it."

Jones also gave a short and inspirational speech to the students.

"It's also great to see all these smiling faces," said Jones. "I'm happy we've made their day, and helped supply them with what they'll need for the school year."

The Masons are an ancient and charitable fraternity based on the core values of brotherly love, relief and truth.

Coyote sightings

Recent coyote sightings in Garden Grove have prompted the city to make local residents aware of coyotes in the area, urging them to take needed precautions to protect themselves, their pets and their property against these wild animals.

The community is encouraged to report coyote sightings by calling the city's coyote hotline number at 714-741-5286. Callers should include date, time and location of sightings. If the coyote is posing an imminent threat to life, call 9-1-1.

Firefighters pull two from overturned vehicle



Courtesy photo

The Garden Grove Fire Department responded to the 14000 block of Lake Street for a single vehicle traffic collision last week. Firefighters found one vehicle resting on its roof in the middle of the street with two passengers trapped. After stabilizing the vehicle, crews were able to extricate them. One of the passengers was treated by firefighter/paramedics, and transported to a local medical center with moderate injuries. The second declined treatment. The cause of the collision is under investigation by the Garden Grove Police Department.

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URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 2870

AN URGENCY INTERIM ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE AUTHORIZING A 10 MONTH AND 15 DAY EXTENSION OF URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 2869 IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON THE APPROVAL OF MORTUARIES AND CREMATORIIUMS PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65858

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Legislative Intent and Findings.

A. On July 15, 2016, pursuant to Government Code Section 65858, the City Council of the City of Garden Grove passed and adopted Urgency Ordinance No. 2869, which is an urgency interim ordinance imposing a moratorium on the approval of mortuaries and crematoriums pending completion of a study and adoption of regulations to address negative impacts that may be created with their development and operation.

B. Until new regulations are in place, the development of new mortuaries and crematoriums continue to pose a current and immediate threat to the public health, peace, safety and general welfare for the reasons stated in Section 1 of Urgency Ordinance No. 2869.

C. The City has commenced a zoning study to determine the appropriate zoning, development standards, other proper regulations applicable to mortuaries and crematoriums to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the community.

D. City staff require additional time in which to thoroughly review and evaluate the issues giving rise to Urgency Ordinance No. 2869, and to finalize the necessary zoning study and process a Zoning Code amendment.

E. The City has noticed and conducted a Public Hearing to consider the adoption of this ordinance as provided by law.

F. The City Council has reviewed, considered, and approved the evidence and findings in the accompanying staff report of the adverse impacts caused by mortuaries and crematoriums upon the city.

Section 2. Extension of Moratorium for 10 months and 15 days.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 65858(a), Urgency Ordinance No. 2869 is hereby extended for an additional 10 months and 15 days beyond the original 45 days authorized on July 15, 2016, until July 14, 2017.

Section 3. Effective Date. This interim ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Section 4. Urgency. This interim ordinance is necessary for the immediate protection of the public health, welfare, and general safety for the reasons identified in Section 1 hereof and Section 1 of Urgency Ordinance No. 2869.

Section 5. Severability. If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this ordinance and each section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions thereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 9th day of August, 2016.

ATTEST: / s /
BAO NGUYEN
MAYOR

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC
CITY CLERK

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ORANGE) SS:
CITY OF GARDEN GROVE)

I, KATHLEEN BAILOR, City Clerk of the City of Garden Grove, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by the City Council of the City of Garden Grove, by a vote of four-fifths (4/5ths) of the members thereof, at a meeting held on the 9th day of August, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (4) BUI,
JONES, PHAN, NGUYEN
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (0) NONE
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (1)
BEARD

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC
CITY CLERK

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GARDEN GROVE

Back to school: Students in the Garden Grove Unified School District head to class Sept. 1. Students will quickly get a three-day weekend for Labor Day – their last such break until Veterans Day in November. The last day of classes for the 2016-17 school year will be June 20.
Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
chaire@ocregister.com

Register
August 12, 2016

GARDEN GROVE

Best singer: Kayla Renee Wandalt, a student at Pacifica High School, is the 2016 Voice of Garden Grove, beating out four other high school singers for a \$500 scholarship. By winning the annual singing competition, Wandalt also won \$500 for Pacifica's choir program.
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Register
August 16, 2016

GARDEN GROVE

Moratorium extended: The City Council on Tuesday extended an emergency moratorium on permitting crematoriums and mortuaries for another 10 months, 15 days – for a total of one year – so that staffers can work on zoning regulations. Future regulations would have to go through a lengthy approval process, including going before the Planning Commission.
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Register
August 13, 2016

GARDEN GROVE

District elections: Residents can now look up which election district they are in by typing in their address on the city's website. In November, Garden Grove will hold its first election with by-district voting; four of the six districts – 2, 3, 5 and 6 – are up for grabs, as is the mayor's seat, which is voted on by the public citywide.
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Register
August 17, 2016

GARDEN GROVE

New backhoe: The Public Works Department will get a new backhoe after the City Council last week approved buying one from John Deere Construction Retail Sales for \$101,018. That price includes tax and delivery charges. A backhoe is a type of construction vehicle mostly used to scoop up and relocate dirt, debris and other loose materials.
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August 18, 2016

Tuesday, August 16, 2016

PACIFICA STUDENT NAMED "THE VOICE OF GARDEN GROVE" 2016

At Garden Grove's final summer concert last week, the winner of The Voice of Garden Grove was chosen among five Garden Grove Unified School District high school students. Kayla Renee Wandelt, a junior from Pacifica High School, was announced The Voice of Garden Grove 2016 and awarded a \$1,000 prize, half of which will go to Pacifica High School's Choir Department. The winning song was "House of the Rising Sun" by The Animals.

Caitlin Doan, from Rancho Alamitos High School, was announced runner-up and received a \$500 prize, half of which will go towards Rancho Alamitos High School's Choir Department. Doan performed "Can't Help Falling in Love" by Elvis Presley.

The students were scored on a 100-point scale by six volunteer judges including professional singers and vocalist trainers.

The Voice of Garden Grove is a preshow to the free Summer Concert Series hosted by the Garden Grove Community Foundation (GGCF), held at Eastgate Park, 12001 St. Mark Street, during the months of July and August. The Voice of Garden Grove is a way for GGCF to support education and the arts in the community, and provide performance and scholarship opportunities to local high school students.

For more information, please visit www.ggcf.com or call (714) 741-5200.

For photos and videos of the program, visit the City's Facebook and Instagram @GardenGroveCityHall.



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Information Systems Director

Kathy Bailor (714) 741-5035
City Clerk

Monday, August 15, 2016

DISTRICT ELECTION MAPPING NOW ON CITY'S WEBPAGE

Residents can now search their district by address on the City's website at www.garden-grove.org by accessing the 'District Election Mapping' page under the Open Government main tab. The map also pinpoints schools, outlined in yellow, and parks, outlined in green, for each district.

On May 10, 2016, the City of Garden Grove adopted Ordinance No. 2866 changing the City's current at-large system of electing City Council Members to a by-district system.

The General Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, for the following Offices: Mayor at-large; Council District 2; Council District 3; Council District 5; and Council District 6. The filing period for the 2016 Election of Council District 2 and Council District 3 is Friday, August 12, 2016. The Election of Mayor and Council Member District 5 has been extended to Wednesday, August 17.

For more information about the District Election Mapping, please contact the Information Technology Department at (714) 741-5225. For more information about the nomination period, contact the City Clerk's Office at (714) 741-5040.

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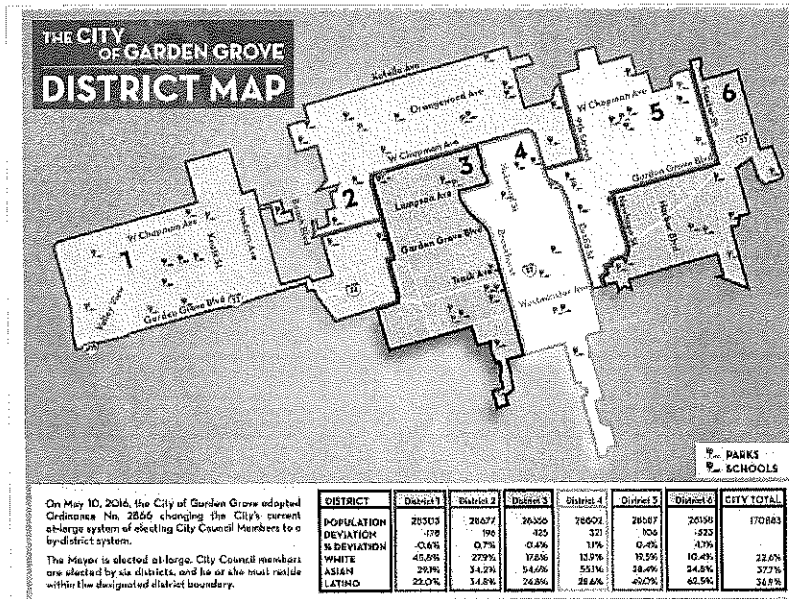
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Cư dân Garden Grove có thể tìm kiếm district của họ theo địa chỉ trên trang web của thành phố tại www.garden-grove.org bằng cách truy cập trang 'District Election Mapping' page, click vào tab là Open Government, sẽ được hướng dẫn vào trang www.garden-grove.org/citymanager/CityClerk/DistrictElectionMapping

Bản đồ này cũng xác định chính xác các trường học, được tô màu vàng, và công viên, được tô màu xanh lá cây ở mỗi địa hạt.



Bản đồ địa hạt bầu cử Garden Grove.

Vào ngày 10 tháng Năm, 2016, Thành phố Garden Grove đã thông qua Pháp lệnh 2866 thay đổi hệ thống at-large system bầu thành viên Hội đồng thành phố vào hệ thống by district (theo từng địa hạt.)

Buổi tổng bầu cử sẽ được tổ chức vào ngày Thứ Ba, 8 Tháng 11, 2016, cho các chức vụ sau đây: Thị trưởng Thành phố, Nghị viên cho District 2; Nghị viên cho District 3; Nghị viên District 5; và Nghị viên District 6. Thời gian nộp hồ sơ cho Nghị viên District 2 và District 3 là thứ Sáu, 12 tháng 8, 2016. Chức vụ Thị trưởng và Nghị viên District 5 đã được gia hạn đến Thứ Tư, ngày 17 Tháng 8, 2016.

Để biết thêm thông tin về bầu cử District Election Mapping, xin vui lòng liên lạc với Information Technology Department (714) 741-5225. Để biết thêm thông tin về thời gian bầu cử, liên lạc với Văn phòng Thư Ký Thành Phố ở số (714) 741-5040.



Liên lạc: Kathy Bailor, (714) 741-5035
Thư ký Thành phố

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Thứ Ba, 16/8/2016

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2016년 8월 15일 월요일

시의원 선거구역 지도가 등재된 시 웹사이트 안내

주민들께서는 가든그로브 시의 웹사이트인 www.garden-grove.org 로 오셔서 Open Government 탭 속에 있는 여러 항목들 가운데 'District Election Mapping' 를 이용해서, 해당 주소가 소속된 새 선거구역을 찾아 보실 수 있습니다. 이 구역지도를 통해서 노란색으로 표시된 각급 학교들 위치와 초록색 표시의 여러 공원들의 위치들도 쉽게 보실 수 있습니다.

지난 2016년 5월 10일, 가든그로브 시는 현재 시행중인 시 전반에 걸친 일반 선거를 통한 시의원 선거를, 구역별 선출방식으로 변경하기 위한 시조례 제 2866 을 채택하였습니다.

금번 11월 8일 화요일에 열리는 일반선거를 통해서 다음의 공직자들을 선출합니다:
시장직은 종전처럼 시 전체 일반선거로 선출; 제 2 구역; 제 3 구역; 제 5 구역; 제 6 구역, 이상 네 구역의 시의원은 각기 구역선거를 통해서 선출합니다. 제 2 구역과 제 3 구역의 2016년도 시의원 입후보자의 등록일 마감일은 2016년 8월 12일 금요일이며, 시장직과 제 5 구역 시의원직의 후보자 등록 마감일은 8월 17일 수요일까지 연장되었습니다. 이 외의 선거구역 지도에 관한 질문 사항은 정보기술국 전화 (714) 741-5225 로, 그리고 후보자 등록 기간에 관한 문의는 전화 (714) 741-5040 시총무실로 문의 바랍니다.

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Secretaria de la Ciudad

Lunes, 15 de agosto del 2016

EL MAPA DE LOS DISTRITOS ELECTORALES AHORA EN PÁGINA WEB DE LA CIUDAD

Los residentes pueden ahora encontrar su distrito por la dirección de su residencia en la página web de la Ciudad en www.garden-grove.org mediante el acceso a la página de 'Mapeo de la Elección del Distrito' ('District Election Mapping') en la pestaña principal de 'Gobierno Abierto' ('Open Government'). El mapa también señala las escuelas, resaltadas en amarillo, y parques, esbozados en verde, para cada distrito.

El 10 de mayo del 2016, la ciudad de Garden Grove adoptó la Ordenanza N° 2866 cambiando el actual sistema de elegir a miembros del Concejo Municipal de la Ciudad por un sistema por-distrito.

La Elección Municipal General tendrá lugar el martes, 8 de noviembre del 2016, para los siguientes cargos: Alcalde en general; Consejal del Distrito 2; Consejal del Distrito 3; Consejal del Distrito 5; y el Consejal del Distrito 6. El período de presentación para las Elecciones del 2016 para el Consejal del Distrito 2 y el Consejal del Distrito 3 es el viernes, 12 de agosto de 2016. La elección de Alcalde y Consejal del Distrito 5 Consejo se ha ampliado hasta el miércoles, 17 de agosto.

Para obtener más información sobre el Mapa de los Distritos Electorales, por favor, póngase en contacto con el Departamento de Tecnológico de Información al (714) 741-5225. Para obtener más información sobre el período de nominación, en contacto con la Oficina de la Secretaria de la Ciudad al (714) 74-5040.

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WEEKLY MEMO 8/18/16

**SOCIAL MEDIA
HIGHLIGHTS**

Congratulations to Kayia Renee Wandal from Pacifica High School! She is The Voice of Garden Grove 2016! #voiceofgg #ggsummerconcerts #GardenGrove

We'd like to wish all of The Voice contestants the best of luck in their future endeavors!



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The Answer at the free Summer Concert Series! #ggsummerconcerts | It's been a wonderful summer! Thank you. #GardenGrove!!



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Help Create a Vision for the Future of Transit in #OrangeCounty

The OC Streetcar is moving forward and OCTA's design team would like to hear your thoughts about the new system's stops and locations. Join them at a community meeting on Saturday, August 13, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., at the Ebeli Club of Santa Ana, 525 French Street. You can also participate in their online survey, available until September 6, at <https://survey.pptform.com/fo/QsGHYP>. #GardenGrove



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Jennifer Anne Weyerberg The survey is great as a tool to see who's new to the streetcar. But does nothing for the remaining issues of the octa. My kids use the buses to go places. The new "Xpress" now forces them to walk an extra half mile, or often, buses wait for 2-3 buses to have a standard route bus come. That can add 2 hours to their commute!

Like Reply Message August 12 at 11:55am

Sherry Russell Williams Fixed rail is not the answer. Transportation route needs change and the railway will not be able to change with it over time. Top bad in the past 60 yrs the cities had not sold off the Pacific Electric right away

Garden Grove City Hall

Published by Missy W. Marulanda 7X1 August 15 at 11:02am

Today is #CityHallSelfie. #GardenGrove! If you're near City Hall, be sure to snap a picture and use the hashtag.

Garden Grove Fire Department Garden Grove Police Department Garden Grove Unified School District



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Garden Grove City Hall shared AMF Bowling Co's photo.

Published by VRA Alaya 1X1 August 12 at 3:33pm

Tomorrow is #NationalBowlingDay! Help knock down a million pins at AMF Valley View Lanes in #GardenGrove!



AMF Bowling Co

August 6 at 10:50am

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Bowling's biggest day is almost here! Join us for the Million Pin Challenge and help us knock down a million pins on National Bowling Day—Saturday, 8/13! Join the fun at bit.ly/national-bowling-day-2016

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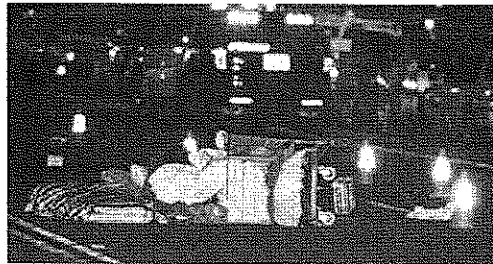
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Ricardo Morales, Stephanie Klopfenstein and Serena Isler

Published by Missy W. Marulanda 7X1 August 15 at 11:02am

A 55-year-old man died after he was hit by a car late Sunday night in #GardenGrove. The driver fled before Garden Grove Police Department arrived.

Anybody with information about this incident can call the Garden Grove Police Department's Traffic Accident Investigation Unit at 714-741-5523. Anybody who wants to remain anonymous can call Orange County Crime Stoppers at 855-TIP-OCES (855-547-6227).



Man dies after Garden Grove hit and run

GARDEN GROVE — A 55-year-old man died after he was hit by a car late Sunday night. The driver fled before police arrived.

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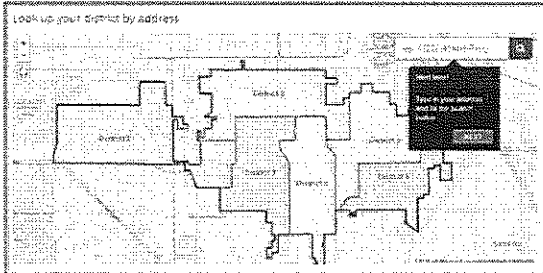


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Published by Yvonne Avila (P) - August 16 at 2:20pm

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Sharon Sunda Now if only those in my District vote in that District...
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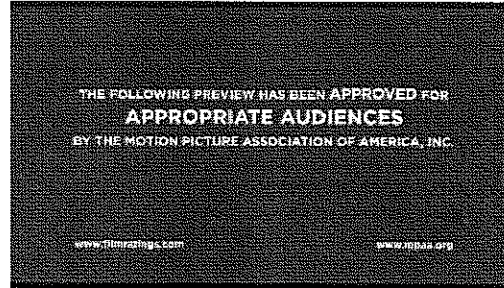


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Published by Yvonne Avila (P) - August 16 at 2:58pm

Free 'Movies in the Park' Continues with Minions

You're invited to a free showing of the Minions tomorrow (8/17), at Village Green Park, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Arrive early, at 6:30 p.m., to get your picture taken with a life-size #Minion and participate in free activities. #GardenGrove #MoviesinthePark #ParkstakeLifeBetter



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Garden Grove City Hall

Published by Melissa Hernandez (P) - August 16 at 12:36pm

Are you interested in obtaining a graduate degree or certificate? Well, California State University, Fullerton has a center right here in #GardenGrove!

Many of the courses offered at the Garden Grove Center are taught in the evenings, and scheduled specifically to accommodate those working full-time.

For more information, click the article below.



CSUF center extends opportunities in Garden Grove

It's hard enough to keep a full-time job, and harder still to study for a graduate degree or a professional certificate at the same time. For some, it's impossible when classes are held during the workday and at a campus nestled in the...

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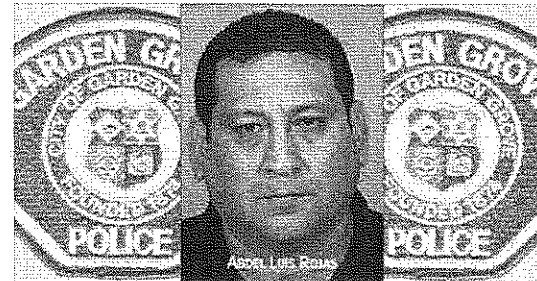


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Published by Yvonne Avila (P) - August 16 at 4:54pm

Seeking additional victims of fraud in Abdel Rojas case

Garden Grove Police Department detectives have been investigating a theft by fraud scam related to an owner/operator of a travel agency known by several business names located in #GardenGrove. Over the past few months, approximately 21 victims have come forward with reports claiming the business owner "Abdel Rojas" has accepted large amounts of cash for vacation itineraries. Rojas kept the money and did not deliver... See More



Fraud Arrest - Police Need the Public's Help to Locate Possible Additional Victims from Garden Grove Police Department : Nixle

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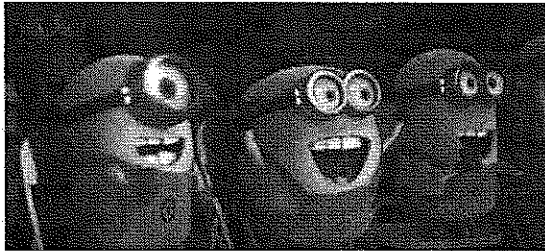
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Published by Ricardo M Mendez on Tuesday, August 11, 2015

Don't forget that tonight is the free showing of Minions at Village Green Park, starting at 8:00 p.m. Arrive early, at 6:30 p.m., to participate in free activities, including photos with real life #Minions!

Tonight's event will be livestreamed on Facebook, so tune in at 6:30 p.m.! Also, if you have the #GardenGrove mobile app downloaded onto your smartphone, you'll receive a free giveaway - look for the white canopy with the blue tablecloth and mobile app banner.

**Community is encouraged to bring their own chairs and blankets.



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Elizabeth Cardona Melissa Cecilia are you going?

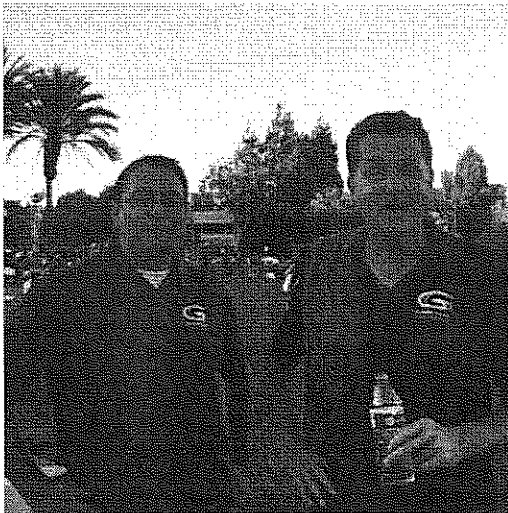
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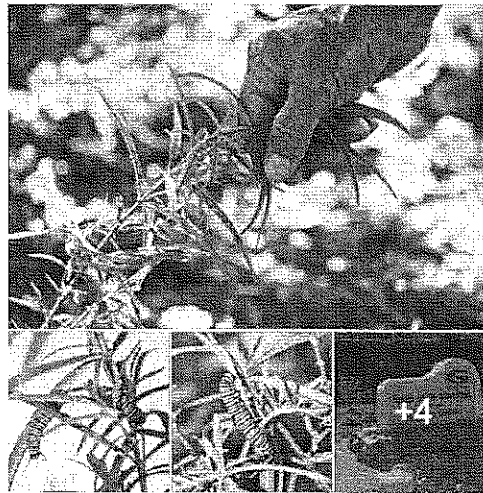
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our city administration (Gardens and Parks). The release is part of the nationwide "Mayor's Monarch Pledge," launched by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Federation and the National Wildlife Federation, aimed at raising awareness about the dramatic decline of th... See more



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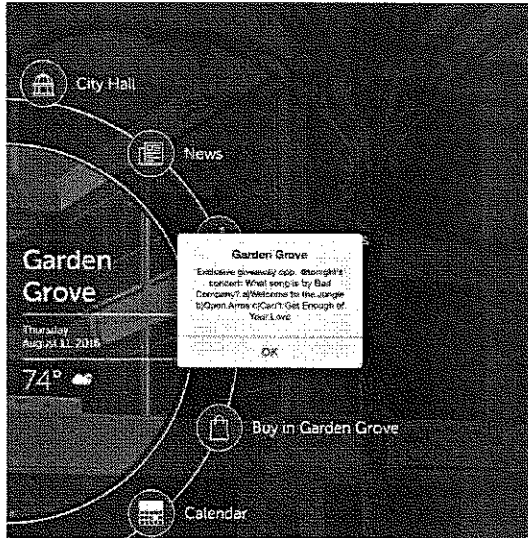
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City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove · Aug 11
Head over to the #GGCF booth at #GGSummerConcert tonight, and answer this question for a free giveaway! 6:30 PM #GG



Monday night. The water and police presence. @news60.com

City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove · Aug 15
It is #CityHallSelfie today, #GardenGrove! Be sure to snap a pic in front of our City Hall and use the hashtag.



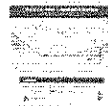
City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove · Aug 15
It's Monday, don't forget to be awesome #GardenGrove! The weather will reach a high of 93°F & a low of 65°.

City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove · Aug 12
2mrrw is #NationalBowlingDay! Help knock down a Million pins @AMFValleyViewLanes #GardenGrove! bit.ly/2booqkW



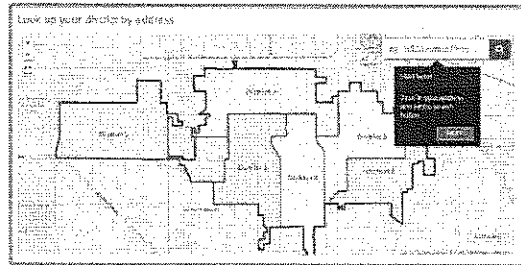
AMF Bowling Co. @AMFBowling
Who's hitting the lanes this weekend?! #TBT

City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove · Aug 12
Join @goOCTA's design team 2mrrw, Aug 13, for a comm. meeting to learn more about the stops & locations of #ocstreetcar

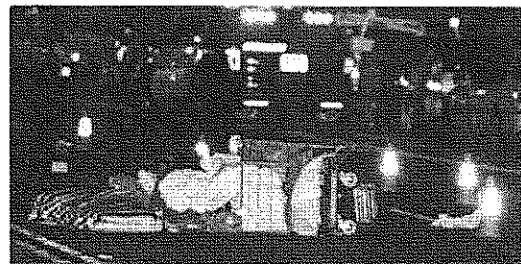


OC Streetcar @OCStreetcar
Take a look at the 4.15-mile route through #GardenGrove & #SantaAna info: bit.ly/OCStreetCar

City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove · Aug 15
There is a main break on Montclair, the water is expected to be shut off until 3:00 p.m. #GardenGrove



City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove · Aug 15
Anybody with info about this incident, call @GardenGrovePD @ 714-741-5823 Anonymous calls: 855-TIP-OCCS 855-847-8227



Man dies after Garden Grove hit and run
GARDEN GROVE – A 55-year-old man died after he was hit by a car late Sunday night. The driver fled before police arrived. @register.com



City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove · Aug 17
The weather will reach a high of of 87°F & a low of 63°. #GardenGrove



Garden Grove Police @GardenGrovePD · Aug 16
Fraud Arrest - Police Need the Public's Help to Locate Possible Additional Victims: nixie.us/9368J



City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove · Aug 16
It's getting hot out there, #GardenGrove!
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City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove · Aug 15



City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove · 16h
Come out for a free movie in the park featuring Minions at 8:00 p.m. Free activities are taking place until then #GG

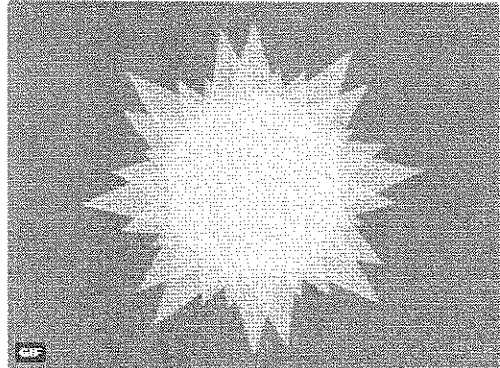


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City of Garden Grove @CityGardenGrove · 3h
Enjoy the sunny weather today! It will reach a high of of 82°F & a low of 62°.



MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

August 18, 2016

1. Calendar of Events
2. Notice of cancellation for the August 25, 2016 Zoning Administrator Meeting.
3. League of California Cities, "CA Cities Advocates" dated July 29, August 12, 16, 17 and 18, 2016.



GARDEN GROVE

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 18, 2016 – September 1, 2016

Thursday	August 18		Casual Day – Music Group/Rock Band Theme
		8:30 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.	Morango Indian Casino Trip coordinated by the H. Louis Lake Senior Center
		7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Council Chamber CANCELLED
Thursday- Sunday	August 18-21	8:00 p.m.	Shakespeare Orange County presents "The Pirates of Penzance", Festival Amphitheater
Friday	August 19		City Hall Closed
Tuesday	August 23	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, Founders Room Housing Authority Meeting, Council Chamber Sanitary District Meeting, Council Chamber Successor Agency Meeting, Council Chamber City Council Meeting, Council Chamber CANCELLED (ALL)
Wednesday	August 24	2:00 p.m.	Oversight Board Meeting, Council Chamber CANCELLED
Thursday	August 25	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting City Hall, 3 rd Floor Training Room CANCELLED
Thursday- Sunday	August 25-28	8:00 p.m.	Shakespeare Orange County presents "The Pirates of Penzance", Festival Amphitheater
Friday	August 26	6:00 p.m.- 10:00 p.m.	H. Louis Lake Hawaiian Luau Dinner Dance Community Meeting Center, A Room
Saturday	August 27	8:00 a.m.- Noon	Project "GO" Graffiti Off, Municipal Service Center
Sunday	August 28	9:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m.	17 th Annual Elvis Festival and King of Cadillacs Historic Main Street
Thursday	September 1		Garden Grove Unified School District First Day of School
		7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Council Chamber



GARDEN GROVE

**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
OF THE
GARDEN GROVE
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 25, 2016**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Zoning Administrator scheduled for Thursday, August 25, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Third Floor Training Room, Garden Grove, is hereby cancelled pursuant to the attached Cancellation Notice.

DATED: August 18, 2016

KARL HILL
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR



NOTICE OF CANCELLATION

The Regular Meeting of the
Garden Grove Zoning Administrator
scheduled for August 25, 2016
has been cancelled.

JUDITH MOORE
SECRETARY

Aug. 12, 2016
Issue #66

End of Session Signature/Veto Webinar Scheduled for Sept. 7

The League will be hosting a 90 minute webinar to brief members on the legislative session and review the top priority bills for which cities will need to advocate to Gov. Jerry Brown as he reviews legislation. After the Legislature completes its work on Aug. 31, the Governor has until Sept. 30 to sign or veto legislation on his desk. *For more, see Page 2.*



California City Solutions: Lafayette Brings Beauty to the Boulevard with Street Pole Banner Program

*This story is part of an ongoing series featuring Helen Putnam Award entries. The 2015 entries are available on the League's website as a resource for cities in a searchable database called California City Solutions: Lafayette Street Pole Banner Program was submitted in 2015 for the Economic Development through the Arts award category. *For more, see Page 2.**



League-Sponsored Bond Agency Issues \$32 Million in Tax-Exempt Bonds for Affordable Housing Apartments in Mountain View

Some of the most significant benefits of League membership for cities since 1988 have flowed from the League's co-sponsorship of the California Statewide Communities Development Authority (CSCDA). *For more, see Page 3.*

Registration

The webinar is scheduled for Sept. 7 from 1:30 – 3 p.m. There is no cost to register for League members and League partners. Non-member cities will be charged \$100.

Please register by Friday, Sept. 2 at www.cacities.org/events.

For most League webinars, only one connection is allowed per city. However, to provide easier access to League members, each city can register for two connections.

Webinar log-in information will be sent by end of business on Sept. 6.

'CCS: Lafayette' Continued from Page 1...

Located in Northern California's East Bay, the city of Lafayette's downtown main thoroughfare was plagued by decades of neglect and deterioration that was finally reinvigorated through art. The Lafayette Street Pole Banner program was developed in 2002 to feature the city's economic development through art and design and bring a cohesive look to the city's downtown grid.

The community developed haphazardly along a three-mile stretch of Mt. Diablo Boulevard, an old county road that served as the main thoroughfare from Oakland to Walnut Creek until the freeway was built. The long strip of road and a century of neglect by county planners had left the then unincorporated community without an urban grid, central core, or focal point. By the mid-1960s, the city's main street, Mt. Diablo Boulevard, was an undistinguished and heavily traveled strip decorated with gaudy signs, existing shops paying high rent, vacant and boarded up storefronts and a place where pedestrians did not feel comfortable walking. As a result, many restaurants and stores, along with their sales taxes, headed east and west to the nearest city with a mall or vibrant downtown.

Local residents in 1968 finally voted to incorporate the city of Lafayette after two previous attempts failed. In 1995, the city council formed the Lafayette Redevelopment Agency. Both agencies focused on the same goal to transform the downtown into a place of character where residents could shop, dine, participate in public and cultural affairs, and altogether feel good about their town.

The city and the redevelopment agency spent millions of dollars on all varieties of capital improvements including rebuilding a historic plaza; stimulating a transit-oriented mixed use development around the BART station; adding median islands and undergrounding utilities; developing off-street parking facilities; promoting and subsidizing projects that delivered the highest and best uses for their parcels; enacting and enforcing a new sign ordinance. Many blocks that were once blighted now feature new retail developments that keep sales tax revenues local.

Although these improvements helped change the face of Lafayette, they could not alter the fact that it was still cursed by its historic development pattern — the three-mile strip lacking the charm of a small town urban grid.

Redevelopment of downtown Lafayette as an urban grid was never a feasible option because the city was built-out. The challenge became how to embrace and use its linearity to the Lafayette's advantage. The city's rolling terrain provides several opportunities for downtown visitors to take long looks down the boulevard. The city realized from the visual arts that people respond to repetition, rhythm, and pattern.

In the 1980s, when drawing up a master street improvement plan for the downtown, Landscape Architect Russ Beatty called for scores of tall ornamental Battery-Park style street lamps to be installed in the median islands along the entire length of the three-mile strip and requested that the lamps be equipped with arms for hanging banners. The poles were mostly in place to hang decorative banners by 2002.

Lafayette chose to use the rhythmic and repetitive layout of the poles to mount a year-round graphic art statement. The Lafayette City Council adopted a street pole banner policy that requires that at least 20 identical banner sets be manufactured and hung at any given time, assuring repetition and rhythm. The city council then appointed an all-volunteer Banner Advisory Committee made up of citizens with backgrounds in the arts and economic development to work with a designer to develop and approve distinctive banner themes and designs.

City leaders next engaged Jennifer Morla, a renowned graphic designer, to draw banner designs that, in the spirit of Christo's *Gates* or *Umbrellas*, would use color and repetition to remake the boulevard as a captivating art statement. The Banner Advisory Committee began thinking about how the banners could be used to amplify the city's growing redevelopment and economic development efforts. The committee selected themes that emphasized Lafayette's strengths — the excellent schools; the local reservoir with its distinctive tower; the burgeoning restaurant scene; and the community's interest in jazz, chamber music, and theater.

The project presented several design challenges. Banner space is limited to two narrow vertical strips, each 30" wide and 95" long. Because of the bleed through, shadowing, and concerns about color fade, there are only 10 Sunbrella fabric colors available to the designer. Designs can only use three ink colors due to cost and complexity. Morla moved toward simple and bold text-heavy designs with themes reflecting the community's local activities, and color schemes that played off the seasonal state of the deciduous boulevard street trees. She has now served as the city's key designer for the project for more than a decade and has developed 13 separate banner designs for Mt. Diablo Boulevard.

Lafayette's street pole banner program was instantly embraced by the community. Seeing how the repetitive parade of banners along the boulevard added color and life to the strip, the city council ordered that enough banner sets be designed and manufactured to be displayed all year round. The annual cost for design and maintenance of the program is \$25,000 — less than two-tenths of 1 percent of the city's General Fund budget. The result is a year-round miles-long public art installation that changes monthly and which has become one of downtown Lafayette's key distinguishing features. The city now receives multiple requests each year for information about the program from other communities.

The Lafayette Street Pole Banner program uses art and design to give downtown Lafayette a distinctive identity, promote commerce, and decorate the town with beautiful detail and ornamentation.

'CSCDA' Continued from Page 1...

This program provides a variety of public agencies and developers access to low-cost, tax-exempt financing and economic development tools. CSCDA recently issued \$32,000,000 in tax-exempt multi-family affordable housing bonds for Evelyn Family Apartments in Mountain View.

About Evelyn Family Apartments

Evelyn Family Apartments is the new construction of 116 affordable housing units by ROEM Development Corporation. The benefits of the project for the city of Mountain View and Santa Clara County include 100 percent of the affordable rental housing units will be rent restricted for low-income tenants; the project will bring new economic vibrancy to the area; and the project consists of 11 studios, 45 one-bedroom units, 44 two-bedroom units, and 15 three-bedroom units to house local low-income residents.

CSCDA and ROEM partnered with Citibank to provide \$32,000,000 in tax-exempt multi-family affordable housing bonds for the project. The financing for the project requires the affordability of units for low-income tenants to be maintained for 55 years.

Background

CSCDA is a joint powers authority created in 1988 and is sponsored by the League of California Cities[®] and the California State Association of Counties. It was created by cities and counties for cities and counties. More than 500 cities, counties and special districts are program participants in CSCDA, which serves as their conduit issuer and provides access to efficiently finance locally-approved projects. CSCDA has issued more than \$50 billion in tax exempt bonds for projects that provide a public benefit by creating jobs, affordable housing, healthcare, infrastructure, schools and other fundamental services. Visit [CSCDA's website](#) for additional information on the ways in which CSCDA can help your city.

CA Cities Advocate



LEGISLATION AND POLICY AFFECTING CALIFORNIA CITIES

Aug. 16, 2016
Issue #67

Drone Industry Launches End-of-Session Attempt at Pre-Emption *League and Police Chiefs Oppose Moratorium Stalling Tactic*

Despite the Legislature's rejection earlier this year of amendments that would have pre-empted local drone regulation, and the recent Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) ruling supporting local authority, drone industry lobbyists continue to walk the Capitol halls pushing a new pre-emption proposal in the final weeks of the legislative session. This is not really a surprise after a year of such skirmishes. *For more, see Page 2.*



AB 2220 (Cooper) Sent to Governor with Strong BiPartisan Vote *Bill Expands Options for Cities with 100,000 Residents-Plus* *Considering District-Based Elections*

Gov. Jerry Brown now has legislation on his desk, AB 2220 (Cooper), to allow cities with a population of over 100,000 the flexibility to switch to district-based elections by ordinance. This is the same authority that cities under 100,000 already have thanks to last year's SB 493 (Canella). AB 2220 passed the Senate Monday afternoon with a bipartisan vote of 32-4. *For more, see Page 3.*

AB 2320 (Calderon and Low) was amended in early April to add a provision pre-empting local governments from enacting ordinances regulating drones. That provision, however, was forced out in the Assembly Local Government Committee following vigorous opposition from the League and the California Police Chiefs Association. The measure has since advanced through the Legislature without any pre-emption provision.

In June, the FAA rejected pre-emption of state and local drone regulation laws and ordinances, stating that "certain legal aspects concerning small UAS (unmanned aircraft systems) use may be best addressed at the state or local level." Please see "New FAA Drone Rules Reject Federal Pre-emption of State and Local Drone Laws," *CA Cities Advocate*, June 23, 2016.

Fast forward to August 2016. Still determined to push for some kind of pre-emption scheme, lobbyists for DJI, a Chinese drone manufacturer reputed to have the largest market share of the industry in the United States, have approached both legislators and staff with a new proposal, which would pre-empt local authority.

The working group proposal appears to be a stalling tactic to prevent further efforts at meaningful local drone regulation in California in the short-term. If successful it would ultimately present local governments with a likely minimal take-it-or-leave-it template for local regulation that would not be reflective of an individual community's public safety and privacy priorities.

DJI's proposes a moratorium on new local drone regulation until a 10-member working group is established at the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) develops a model ordinance. Given the proposed composition of the working group, which include a preponderance of industry allies, and possibly individuals who have already been identified, the League and the Police Chiefs are concerned they would be consistently outvoted.

The proposed working group would include:

- The director of OPR;
- A representative of a manufacturer of unmanned aircraft appointed by Gov. Jerry Brown;
- A representative of academia who has published on legal and policy issues related to unmanned aircraft appointed by the vice chair of the Senate Select Committee on Defense and Aerospace;
- A representative of a community-based organization representing the model aircraft community appointed by the chair of the Assembly Select Committee on Emerging Technologies;
- One public member appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly;
- One public member appointed by the President pro Tempore of the Senate;
- One ex-officio member representing the FAA; and
- One representative of industry that provides unmanned aircraft related airspace safety technology to airports appointed by the Los Angeles World Airports Chief of Police.

Once the model ordinance was crafted, which could take at least one to two years, local governments would face limited options for drone regulation: either enact the model ordinance verbatim, or forget about local drone regulations of any kind. This is precisely the cookie-cutter approach that the League and the Police Chiefs have consistently rejected in previous meetings within the industry and legislative committee hearings.

This effort by the drone industry appears to be driven by a fear that cities will follow the lead of the city of Los Angeles, which currently has the most comprehensive and restrictive drone ordinance of any jurisdiction in the state. Los Angeles has already prosecuted violators of its drone ordinance.

Jurisdictions in Orange County have also encountered problems. On June 5, a grand jury convened by Orange County in response to nearly 100 drone-related incidents within a year, issued a recommendation that every city in the county adopt drone ordinances with civil penalties for violators, based loosely on the Los Angeles ordinance.

The industry appears concerned that jurisdictions across the state will follow suit, creating what they have termed “a patchwork” of potentially differing regulations across various cities and counties. The League and the Police Chiefs counter that since the state and federal government have failed to enact a comprehensive regulatory structure to address public safety, privacy and other concerns arising from irresponsible and intrusive use of these devices, then locals must retain full authority to address such issues locally.

Next Steps

City officials are encouraged to urge their legislators to reject any last-minute efforts by this industry to pre-empt local efforts to address drone-related issues of concern to their residents.

'Elections' Continued from Page 1...

Since SB 493's enactment, several cities with populations over 100,000 have wanted the same flexibility to change their elections from at-large to district-based. As a result, the League worked with Assembly Member Jim Cooper (D-Elk Grove) to introduce AB 2220.

The by-ordinance approach provides additional flexibility for local agencies with changing demographics address representation issues under the state's voting laws in a less-costly and expeditious manner than current options.

The League wishes to thank Assembly Member Cooper for his efforts on this matter, as well as the many legislators supporting the bill. Cities are encouraged to send letters to the Governor requesting a signature. A sample letter can be found at www.cacities.org/billsearch by plugging AB 2220 into the search bar.

Aug. 17, 2016
Issue #68

Bad Road Conditions Cost Californians \$53.6 Billion Annually According to New Report

Roads and bridges that are deficient congested or lack desirable safety features cost California motorists a total of \$53.6 billion statewide annually due to higher vehicle operating costs, traffic crashes and congestion-related delays. Increased investment in transportation improvements at the local, state and federal levels could relieve traffic congestion, improve road, bridge and transit conditions, boost safety, and support long-term economic growth in California, according to a new report released today by TRIP, a Washington, DC based national transportation organization.

The TRIP report, "California Transportation by the Numbers: Meeting the State's Need for Safe, Smooth and Efficient Mobility," finds that throughout California, over one-third of major locally and state-maintained roads are in poor condition. One-quarter of California's bridges are structurally deficient or functionally obsolete. The state's major urban roads are becoming increasingly congested, with drivers wasting significant amounts of time and fuel each year. And, more than 14,000 people were killed in crashes on California's roads from 2010 to 2014.

The TRIP report calculates the cost to motorists of insufficient roads in the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco-Oakland and San Jose urban areas. A breakdown of the costs per motorist in each area along with a statewide total is below.

	VOC	Safety	Congestion	Total
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana	\$ 892	\$ 223	\$ 1,711	\$ 2,826
Sacramento	\$ 638	\$ 674	\$ 958	\$ 2,270
San Diego	\$ 722	\$ 249	\$ 887	\$ 1,858
San Francisco-Oakland	\$ 978	\$ 171	\$ 1,675	\$ 2,824
San Jose	\$ 863	\$ 186	\$ 1,422	\$ 2,471
STATEWIDE TOTAL	\$18.3 Billion	\$7.3 Billion	\$28 Billion	\$53.6 Billion

A total of 25 percent of California's bridges show significant deterioration or do not meet modern design standards. Eight percent of California's bridges are structurally deficient, with significant deterioration to the bridge deck, supports or other major components. An additional 17 percent of the state's bridges are functionally obsolete, which means they no longer meet modern design standards, often because of narrow lanes, inadequate clearances or poor alignment.

Traffic crashes in California claimed the lives of 14,437 people between 2010 and 2014. The fatality rate on California's rural non-Interstate roads was 2.72 fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles of travel in 2014, nearly four times higher than the 0.70 fatality rate on all other roads and highways in the state.

The efficiency and condition of California's transportation system, particularly its highways, is critical to the health of the state's economy. Annually, \$2.8 trillion in goods are shipped to and from sites in California, mostly by truck. Over two-thirds of the goods shipped annually to and from sites in California are carried by trucks and another 19 percent are carried by courier services or multiple mode deliveries, which include trucking.

Aug. 18, 2016
Issue #69

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Sen. Beall and Assembly Member Frazier Announce \$7.4 Billion Transportation Funding Proposal, \$2.5 Billion for Local Streets and Roads

Sen. Jim Beall (D-San Jose) Assembly Member Jim Frazier (D-Oakley) announced a comprehensive transportation reform and funding proposal late yesterday. This proposal represents, for the first time, a unified effort by the Assembly and Senate Democratic Caucuses to address the \$78 billion unmet funding need for local streets and roads and \$56 billion backlog to the state's transportation infrastructure. *For more, see Page 2.*



Local Government Groups, Law Enforcement Remain Opposed to Legislation that Mandates Public Employee Union Orientations during Work Hours

This week a broad coalition representing cities, counties, special districts, law enforcement and local education agencies voiced their continued opposition to AB 2835 (Cooper). This gut-and-amend measure, which is now eligible for a floor vote in the Senate, requires public agencies to provide all newly hired employees with highly prescriptive employer orientations as well as time for unions to provide an in-person 30-minute orientation. The League, and other groups', opposition remains on this bill because it is extremely costly to local governments and poses logical challenges that make it almost impossible to comply with and effectively deliver services to our respective constituents. *For more, see Page 2.*



Sen. Beall's \$3 Billion Housing Bond Still in Play as Session Winds Down *Cities Encouraged to Support Effort to Get Bond to Governor's Desk*

It has been a long year in the Capitol for efforts to secure more affordable housing funding. Few resources remain with redevelopment eliminated and state housing bonds exhausted. The session is in its final two weeks and discussions over the Gov. Jerry Brown's by right proposal and the attached potential \$400 million budget allocation appear stalled. There is however, one measure that still remains in play, SB 879, Sen. Jim Beall's (D-San Jose) proposed \$3 billion housing bond. *For more, see Page 3.*

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The legislators project that their proposal would generate a total of \$7.4 billion annually, with \$2.5 billion going directly to cities and counties for desperately needed local street and road maintenance and rehabilitation. It includes significant funding increases for freight, transit, active transportation, maintenance and rehabilitation of both the state highway system and local streets and roads. In addition, it includes \$200 million annually to reward local jurisdictions that have enacted local transportation funding measures.

The plan would also stabilize the variable gas tax which has caused significant uncertainty in gas tax revenues in recent years and caused a \$534 million reduction in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) this year.

On reforms, the plan restores independence to the California Transportation Commission (CTC), creates the Office of Transportation Inspector General to oversee state transportation spending, includes local reporting requirements, permanently extends the CEQA exemption for transportation projects in existing roadways, and creates an Advanced Mitigation program for transportation projects.

The proposal will also include two constitutional amendments to dedicate the new funds for transportation purposes only and reduce the voter threshold for local transportation measures to 55 percent.

The plan proposes to generate the revenue through:

- A 17 cent per gallon increase to the gasoline excise tax;
- Resetting the price based excise tax (variable gas tax) on gasoline to 17.3 cents;
- A 30 cent per gallon increase to the diesel excise tax;
- A 3.5 percent increase to the diesel sales tax;
- A \$38 per year increase to the vehicle registration fee;
- \$1 billion from gradually returning truck weight fees over five years;
- \$300 million from unallocated cap and trade funds; and
- Indexing all fees and taxes, including current gas taxes, for inflation every three years.

The League is preparing a more comprehensive analysis of the proposal to be distributed in the next few days. The analysis will include preliminary estimates of the revenues that cities could receive under the proposal.

'AB 2835' Continued from Page 1...

The Department of Finance (DOF) estimated that to implement, the Aug. 1 version of AB 2835 would cost \$350 million annually for both state and local agencies, with approximately \$70 million being the local cost. Since the bill was last amended, no financial analysis has been completed, which begs the question of how a measure that has an undetermined cost to the state can go Gov. Jerry Brown, who is dedicated to keeping the state's financial status stable.

There are four main areas of concern identified in an Aug. 16 letter to the Legislature outlining the opposition of the coalition of local agency organizations:

- Requires public employers to provide all newly hired employees an orientation within two months of the time of hiring.
- Requires orientations to be conducted in-person, during the regular workday of employees attending. The employee representative of each bargaining unit must be given at least 10 days advance notice of any orientation provided by the employer.
- Requires, for represented employees, the exclusive representative to be provided 30 minutes, within the first half of the orientation, to make a presentation on paid time. The content of the presentation would be determined solely by the exclusive representative and not subject to negotiation.
- Requires public employers to provide the exclusive representative with the name, job title, department, work location, telephone number, and home address of any newly hired employee within 30 days of that employee's date of hire. Further, requires employers to

provide an exclusive representative with a list containing the name, job title, department, work location, telephone number, and home address of all employees in the bargaining unit at least every 90 days.

'Bond' Continued from Page 1...

While some observers have discounted the possibility of a housing bond, possibilities still remain. The Senate passed SB 879 with a two-thirds bipartisan vote with Republican Senators Anthony Canella (R-Ceres) and Bob Huff (R-San Dimas) as co-authors. Now on the Assembly Floor, it could pass if several Republican votes can be secured — in addition to all Democrats. Sen. Beall recently amended the bill so that the measure would be placed on the November 2018 ballot, which avoids the politics associated with the many pending measures this November.

If the bill could reach the Governor, there would be a strong alliance of housing advocates, labor, environmental, local governments and business groups urging him to sign it and give voters in 2018 an opportunity to pass a housing bond (*The state has not had a housing bond since Proposition 1C of 2006*). This would obviously not be a permanent solution to the state's housing woes, but it would at least be a start. While the Governor has been resistant to new debt, he has approved a water bond. Furthermore, in the short term, there would be no state budget impacts since the bond would not be placed before the voters until the end of his term. So there is a possibility.

The funding in SB 879 would be allocated to the housing programs that were funded in Proposition 1C of 2006 in the following amounts:

- \$1.5 billion to the existing Multifamily Housing Program (MHP) to assist in the construction, rehabilitation, and preservation of permanent and transitional rental housing for persons with incomes of up to 60 percent of the area median income.
- \$600 million to the Transit-Oriented Development and Infill Infrastructure Account, which the bill creates within the Fund, and then allocates funds from the Account as follows:
 - \$300 million to the existing Transit-Oriented Development Implementation Program.
 - \$300 million to the Infill Infrastructure Financing Account for infill incentive grants to assist in new construction or rehabilitation of infrastructure that supports high-density affordable and mixed-income housing.
- \$300 million to the existing Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Fund.
- \$300 million to the Local Housing Trust Fund to provide matching grants to local public agencies and nonprofit organizations that raise money for affordable housing.
- \$300 million for the existing CalHome Program to provide direct, forgivable loans for mortgage assistance.

Next Steps

Cities are encouraged to call their legislators and urge the passage of SB 879. Sample letters are available at www.cacities.org/billsearch by plugging SB 879 into the search function.

Senate Releases Cap-and-Trade Spending Plan

The Senate on Aug. 17 released a comprehensive \$1.2 billion Cap-and-Trade expenditure plan to fund programs and projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions. It focuses largely on disadvantaged communities as determined by the California Communities Environmental Health Screening Tool (CalEnviroScreen).

"We have the opportunity to follow through on the promise of cap and trade, which is to use polluters' dollars to clean up the air we breathe," said California Senate President pro Tempore Kevin de León (D-Los Angeles). "Working families in our most economically disadvantaged and polluted areas deserve to benefit from investments now so they have access to the cleanest technologies and the tools to make their communities more livable."

The Senate's plan is the first proposal to emerge since negotiations fell apart earlier this year between the Senate, Assembly and Gov. Jerry Brown.

Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon (D-Paramount) responded to the Senate's proposal stating: "As we continue our deliberations on the most responsible and effective way to allocate Cap-and-Trade funds, the Assembly will consider items that the Senate has indicated they would like to see included in the negotiations, as well as any parameters the Governor suggests."

The Governor proposed a \$3.1 billion Cap-and-Trade expenditure plan as part of the FY 2016-17 state budget. This included the balance of unallocated auction proceeds from FY 2015-16 and the projected auction proceeds for FY 2016-17. The Assembly and the Senate rejected the Governor's Cap-and-Trade expenditure plan and passed the state budget without allocating auction proceeds.

The Senate's expenditure plan allocates the 40 percent of Cap-and-Trade auction proceeds that are discretionary and must be appropriated by the Legislature. In contrast, the other 60 percent is continually appropriated and is already earmarked for the high-speed rail project, transit and intercity rail programs, and affordable housing and sustainable communities.

Although the Senate has released an expenditure plan, uncertainty remains regarding the future of the Cap-and-Trade program and the possibility that existing law does not allow the program to continue beyond 2020.

An association of business groups has challenged the legality of the Cap-and-Trade program in court, arguing that the program functions as a tax, and not a fee. The Legislature passed the law as a fee on a majority vote. All new taxes require a two-thirds vote of the Legislature. The state appeals court is set to rule on the case sometime this summer or early fall.

In the meantime, some legislators are supporting the approval of SB 32 (Pavley), a bill that would essentially extend the Cap-and-Trade program by giving the California Air Resources Board clear authority to limit statewide greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030. SB 32 stalled last year in the Assembly over the objections of a number of moderate democrats.

It is unclear if SB 32 or the Senate's Cap-and-Trade expenditure plan will garner enough support to pass before the Legislature adjourns on Aug. 31. League staff will continue to engage legislative leadership on this important issue.

Details on the Senate's proposal are included below.

Low Carbon Transportation

- \$400 million for low-carbon and low-polluting transportation programs; and
- \$100 million on strategic transit investments that improve traffic flow.

Environmental Justice and Urban Pollution

- \$175 million for a new transformative communities program to convert highly-polluted and high-carbon communities into clean and sustainable communities;
- \$100 million for energy efficiency upgrades and weatherization for low-income families; and
- \$100 million for urban greening projects.

Key Priorities for Climate Leadership

- The Senate Cap-and-Trade expenditure plan allocates funds to key priorities for members in the Assembly and Senate, as well as the Governor;
- AB 1550 (Gomez) Requires that 25 percent of Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) funds be awarded to projects located in disproportionately impacted communities and 25 percent to projects that benefit low-income communities;

- AB 2293 (C. García) Establishes a technical assistance program for small businesses and nonprofits;
- AB 2722 (Burke) Appropriates GGRF funds to the Strategic Growth Council to create the Transformative Climate Communities Program, and specifies that the program fund grants for "transformative climate community plans" in disadvantaged communities;
- SB 20 (Pavley) Establishes low carbon fuel council to streamline deployment of GGRF funds for low polluting transportation;
- SB 1350 (Wolk) Establishes Healthy Soils low carbon agriculture program funded with GGRF funds;
- SB 1383 (Lara) Establishes new targets to reduce short lived climate pollution such as methane, black carbon, and refrigerants that, while lower in volume, have much great climate warming impacts; and
- SB 1425 (Pavley) Allocates funds for water and energy efficiency.

Human Resources Track at Annual Conference

The 2016 League of California Cities® Annual Conference & Expo, Oct. 5-7 at the Long Beach Convention Center will feature sessions especially for human resources professionals. Take a look at some of what's planned for this year's event.

Succession Planning for the New Government Workforce

Every day 10,000 people turn 65 years of age. Millennials now outnumber baby boomers, 76 million to 75 million, and by 2025 they will make up 75 percent of the workforce. It is an oversimplification to believe that current approaches for developing leaders will work for millennials. Many organizations are trying to improve their leadership pipelines, but for a number of reasons are coming up short. Explore ideas and insights on effective ways to attract, develop and retain all generations throughout California, with a special emphasis on millennials.

Succession: The Achilles Heel of City Government

Years of prolonged hiring freezes coupled with early retirements and fewer interested and/or qualified candidates have proven costly to agencies that have had to promote and/or hire people who were not qualified for their new responsibilities. Hear a discussion about the impact these issues have on your agency effectiveness. Panelists will present viable succession processes to enable you to address your current competency gaps, and fill future key vacancies throughout the organization with well-qualified individuals who can hit the ground running.

Strategies for Local Government Recruiting in the Social Media Age

Learn how to utilize social media strategies to recruit and retain talent, as well as inform and educate city constituents. Understand some of the legal challenges and the necessary tools for each of the social media platforms.

2016 Trends in Labor Relations

Receive an in-depth look at labor negotiations from the perspective of finance and human resources professionals. Learn about trends in labor relations for 2016 and offer insight into preparing for and presenting persuasive data during labor negotiations. Hear about tactics for protecting vital services in the face of rising personnel expenditures, and revisit strategies that control costs while investing in human resources.

Elected Official Engagement in Employee Relations

Engagement in employee relations matters can be both helpful and harmful to the day-to-day operations of public agencies. When faced with discussions on labor negotiations, employee discipline, workplace investigations, performance matters, and anonymous tips about wrongdoing, learn what parameters you should follow to avoid risky pitfalls and how to effectively engage in employee relations.

Approaches to Administer Local Minimum Wage Ordinances

Many communities are looking at ways to address income inequality. In areas with a high cost of living, many people working at minimum wage jobs are not able to cover their basic living expenses. A number of cities in California have enacted local minimum wage standards to help address this issue. Hear insights from three cities of various sizes about how they administer their program, lessons learned, and the benefits of a regional approach. Learn about innovative approaches for administration/enforcement by smaller cities as well as the public process for development or revisions to a minimum wage ordinance.

For more information about these sessions, go to www.cacities.org/acsessions.

New Report on Cities and Drones Released by National League of Cities

Report Highlights Crucial Information Cities Need to Have When Regulating Drones

The National League of Cities (NLC) announced on Aug. 16 the release of *Cities and Drones*, a new report that provides cities with insight on the recently released Federal Aviation Administration rules relating to drone operation. The report also provides suggestions for how local governments can craft their own drone ordinances to encourage innovation while also protecting their cities.

The term "drone" can refer to any type of unmanned aircraft, from small model airplanes that have been flown by hobbyists for years to larger military drones that conduct stealth reconnaissance or targeted strikes. In 2015, world sales of drones hit 4.3 million. Cities are using drones in a variety of ways, including for law enforcement and firefighting, as rural ambulances, and for inspections, environmental monitoring and disaster management. Commercial uses include precision farming, aerial photography, and — in the near future — package delivery.

"This report serves as a primer on drones for local officials," said [National League of Cities \(NLC\) CEO and Executive Director Clarence E. Anthony](#). "Whether they are revolutionizing search and rescue capabilities or helping realtors show off their homes, drones are lowering the cost and increasing the reach of airborne services. As our skies are becoming more crowded, cities must be able to decide how and when they want to see drones used in their communities."

There are three spheres of drone activity which city officials must tackle: private use, public use and commercial use. To protect communities, promote innovation and avoid preemptive regulatory action, cities should focus on the following issues when enacting a drone related ordinance:

- Using land use and zoning powers to designate when and where drones may take off, land and operate, as well as any operational limitations or criteria.
- Creating an ordinance that punishes operators for operating an unmanned aircraft in a manner that recklessly endangers persons or property while considering appropriate enforcement infrastructure.

To learn more about the ways cities can protect and innovate using drones, see the full *Cities and Drones* report on NLC's [website](#).

[NLC](#) is dedicated to helping city leaders build better communities. NLC is a resource and advocate for 19,000 cities, towns and villages, representing more than 218 million Americans.

CalRecycle Releases Rubberized Pavement Grant Program Application

The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) has issued a Notice of Funding Availability for FY 2016-17 and released the online application for the Rubberized Pavement Grant Program. The deadline to apply for a program grant is Oct. 26.

The Rubberized Pavement Grant Program provides opportunities to divert waste tires from landfill disposal, prevent illegal tire dumping, and promote markets for recycled-content tire products.

The program is designed to promote markets for recycled-content surfacing products derived from only California-generated waste tires. It is aimed at encouraging first-time or limited users of rubberized pavement in two project types — Rubberized Asphalt Concrete Hot-Mix and Rubberized Chip Seal.

For more information regarding eligibility, grant amount, and application, please visit the Pavement Grant Program [website](#). For more information regarding accessing the online application, please visit CalRecycle's grant management system [webpage](#).
