

MEMORANDUM



RANCHO PALOS VERDES

TO: **RANCHO PALOS VERDES CITY COUNCIL**

FROM: **DOUG WILLMORE, CITY MANAGER** *DW*

DATE: **APRIL 29, 2015**

SUBJECT: **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 15-17**

CITY MANAGER

- Prosum IT Services Negotiations – Negotiations on the Prosum 4 year agreement for IT Services have completed. We have reduced costs further and have a solid agreement. This contract will be ready for City Council on May 5. It features a comprehensive transition period starting on May 18th with full services beginning July 1, 2015.
- CityWorks Implementation – Public Works and IT Staff have worked diligently over the last couple of months to put together a Scope of Work for the CityWorks implementation. The scope covers aspects of Work Order and Infrastructure Project management configuration and prepares the environment for a future Citizen Relations Management portal that will allow residents to submit and track service requests both with a mobile App and on the internet. CityWorks implementation is initially scheduled for the end of 2015 with the CRM shortly after.
- Automatic License Plate Readers – Staff is working with the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department to acquire the equipment needed for an ALPR test setup on Palos Verdes Drive South. The cameras will be on loan from the Sheriff for 6 months in order to assess and test the effectiveness of the system. This system takes quite a bit of coordination between various agencies and we are expected to be ready to activate the system in the next 60 to 90 days.
- Granicus Streaming Video and Agenda Archive Solution – Granicus is completing work on the City Council video streaming solution that has tested well for 2 City Council and Planning Commission meetings thus far. The vendor is still working on posting all the historical videos, agendas and staff reports. We are expecting to switch from the video hosting solution PVNET has provided for the City for many years over to the Granicus solution in early to mid-May.
- County Park Improvements: On April 28th, the Board of Supervisors was scheduled to approve funding to two (2) County park improvement projects located within Rancho Palos Verdes (<http://file.lacounty.gov/bos/supdocs/93153.pdf>). At Los Verdes Golf Course, \$125,000 would be allocated for the construction of a new practice/pitching area with sand bunker (also on the April 28th Board of Supervisors agenda was a separate public hearing to consider changes in greens fees for County golf courses

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(<http://file.lacounty.gov/bos/supdocs/92369.pdf>)). At Friendship Park, \$650,000 would be allocated for renovation of the existing restroom with ADA access; rehabilitation of two (2) lawn areas; and planting of additional native plants in the Palos Verdes blue butterfly habitat restoration areas.

- **MPA Interpretive Signs in City Parks:** In March, Staff posted Coastal Commission hearing notices for seven (7) Marine Protected Area (MPA) interpretive signs in four (4) City parks. The California Ocean Protection Council had expected that this hearing would occur in May, but we are now told that it is not expected to occur until July. Therefore, these notices have been removed and will be re-posted in mid-June. In the meantime, here is a final sample of one of the MPA interpretive signs to be installed in the City:



- **Leadership Academy** - Staff is in the process of planning the 2015 Leadership Academy. City Commission/Committee members will be offered seats first while interest forms will be available to the public shortly thereafter. A total of 25 participant seats are available.
- **Hotline Town Hall Meeting** - Tonight, April 29th, is the second of two Town Hall meetings regarding the Anonymous Fraud, Waste, & Abuse Hotline. Implementation is on track for early May.
- **Fraud Waste and Abuse Hotline** - Request for Proposals were due April 22, 2015 for the third party investigative services for the financial and personnel components of the Hotline. Staff received one financial and five personnel submissions.

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- Recruitments - Staff concluded the recruitment for the Director of Finance position and had an outside panel consisting of three City Managers interview the top three candidates. Staff continues with the Associate Civil Engineer and Recreation Specialist Recruitments. More information may be found at: <http://ca-ranchopalosverdes.civicplus.com/Jobs.aspx>.

FINANCE

- Temporary Transfer to Bank of America – With the April property tax receipt, the City's overall cash position has peaked. Staff is working on some new account agreements to further diversify the City's investment options, but the accounts are not yet open for April transfers. In the meantime, Staff has made a temporary transfer of \$2.5 million back to Bank of America to remain compliant with the City's investment policy. We hope to have this corrected during May. Please let us know if you have questions. Don't all cities wish they had this problem?
- Correction to Utility User Tax (UUT) Claim Data: Due to a programming error, the City's Claim Administrator provided inaccurate data of the total monetary amounts claimed where a claimant submitted both a landline and a wireless refund claim. As such, the corrected refund claim data as of April 27, 2015 is as follows:
 - ▶ The total Flat Refund amount that has been claimed is \$97,800.
 - ▶ The total Extrapolated Refund (Option 2) is approximately \$17,702 (avg. claim amount of \$46.10 x 384 claims)
 - ▶ The total Exact Refund (Option 3) amount is approximately \$487 (avg. claim amount of \$30.46 x 16 claims)

The total refund amount is \$116,451 and approximately \$2,504 of this amount been contributed to the City's Gift for Parks program as requested by the claimant.

PUBLIC WORKS

- Earth Month Activity: On April 25, 2015 a total of 830 vehicles, representing 1,000 households came to RPV's annual roundup event. 2,700 gallons of paint, 200 gallons of motor oil, 48 gallons of antifreeze, 1,750 lbs. of dry cell batteries, 250 lbs. of oil filters, 400 lbs. of sharps, 1,965 lbs. of misc. hazardous waste material, 101 car batteries, 143 CRT units (6,435 lbs.) and 15,000 lbs. of misc. electronics waste was collected.
- EDCO's City-wide brush clearing continues. After two weeks, a total of 7.73 tons of excess brush/green waste was collected. There are three remaining Saturday collections, which will cover the remaining Wednesday, Thursday and Friday routes.
- On Earth Day, 4/22/15, Public Works and Recreation and Parks staff had a booth at the PV Mall.

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- Sunnyside Ridge Trail Improvement Project - The project's 3rd and final community outreach meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 6th at Miraleste Intermediate School's Library at 7 pm. The interested parties, Sunnyside Ridge HOA representatives, and neighbors in the 500 feet radius have been notified. The mailed notices included information about the project and the preliminary design. After the meeting, the project design will be finalized and a bid package prepared. Staff plans to present the item to City Council for approval tentatively on May 19th.
- McCarrell Canyon Pipe Relining Project: Kickoff meeting was held this week with contractor. Field work will begin next week and should be concluded by end of June.
- Residential Street Rehabilitation Project: The slurry seal application is being performed in Areas 1 and 5B, as well as completion of the concrete repair and localized asphalt repair in Area 9, this week. Asphalt concrete overlay is also being performed this week on Crest Road, from the intersection with Hawthorne Blvd to Avenida de Calma. Trucking activity is expected to continue over the next few weeks at the City Hall Maintenance Yard and the Ladera Linda Community Center upper parking lot. Any questions or concerns regarding this project should be directed to the Public Works Department at 310-544-5252. The slurry seal schedule is available on the City's website at:
<http://www.rpvca.gov/800/Residential-Streets-Rehabilitation-Proje>



- Maintenance - Completed smog testing of City vehicles for 2014-2015. Completed painting of end walls at McTaggart Hall. Removed graffiti at Hawthorne Blvd. & Granvia Altamira. Completed 2 fence sections to block closed section of Sacred Cove Trail. Responded to grinder pump alarm at 1 Thyme. Vendor installed new grinder pump. Responded to call for clogged grinder pump at 76 Narcissa. Vendor replaced float switch and contactors. Awarded installation of new Ductless Mini Split DX HVAC system for PVNet server room to HVAC Consulting. Installation expected the week of May 3rd.

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SACRED COVE TRAIL FENCE



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- On Monday, the U.S. and California Departments of Fish and Wildlife agreed with the mitigation measures recommended by the Trump National's biologist related to the waterfall removal project. As a result, Trump National has been notified that the City's permit for the work is now ready to issue. Trump National intends to pull the permit and begin work sometime this week.
- At the last City Council meeting, in response to Seabluff HOA President Dave Emenhiser questioning the City's policy of accepting anonymous code enforcement complaints, Staff estimated that approximately 10% of the complaints received by code enforcement staff are anonymous. Staff has checked and it turns out that approximately 50% of the complaints made by the public are anonymous. Most complainants cite a fear of retribution as the reason they wish to remain anonymous. On a related note, Staff has met with Seabluff HOA representatives to begin discussions to how to address the alleged CUP violations on the HOA property.
- Earlier this month, Staff received a complaint from neighbors that the Anderson's on Searidge Drive were constructing a structure on their property. Staff investigated and confirmed that a structure to protect and screen existing and previously approved solar tanks and equipment was being constructed without the appropriate City approvals. The Anderson's have been given until May 20 to remove the unpermitted structure.
- Draft PC Agenda – Attachment on Page 21
- Applications of Note – Attachment on Page 24

RECREATION & PARKS

- Last Wednesday, staff from the Recreation and Parks and Public Works departments shared a booth at the Earth Day Celebration. Many youngsters and adults stopped by the booth to pick up handouts about the upcoming junior ranger program and recycling. All of them wanted to spin the wheel to compete for prizes!

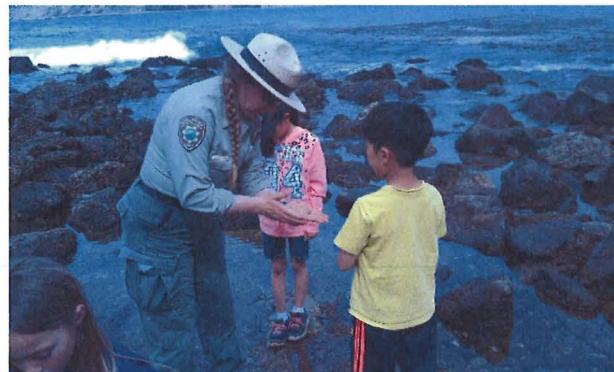
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- Last Saturday, twenty Junior Rangers spent the morning at Abalone Cove Shoreline Park. Representatives from The Bay Foundation discussed the kelp restoration project with the youngsters, then the MRCA Ranger led the junior rangers on a hike to the tide pools to learn about the variety of animals loving in the intertidal zone. Following their hike and exploration, they enjoyed a painting craft they could take home.



- Hesse Park facilities are rented this week for twelve indoor recreation classes, three outdoor recreation classes, two Peninsula Seniors activities, three non-profit group meetings, two sports league practices, and two private indoor events.

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- Ladera Linda facilities are rented this week for six indoor recreation classes and one non-profit group meeting.
- The PVIC Sunset Room is rented this week for one weekend wedding reception.
- Los Serenos docents will lead school groups on four PVIC museum tours and two hikes in Forrestal Nature Reserve this week.
- Ryan Park facilities are rented this week for three indoor recreation classes, three outdoor recreation classes, one non-profit group meeting, two youth sports league practices, and one private indoor event.
- REACH, the City's Therapeutic Recreation Program, is offering one activity this week. On Monday, April 27th, participants will meet at Hesse Park and prepare a tasty dinner followed by a spring time craft.

CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION RECEIVED (See Attachments)

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April 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 10:00 am—4:00 pm - <i>Whale of a Day</i> @ PVIC
5	6	7 <i>7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	8 <i>7:30 pm—Information on Utility Undergrounding Process From Public Works @ La Vista Verde HOA</i>	9 <i>8:00 am—SBCCOG Legislative Breakfast @ Torrance Facility (Knight)</i> <i>6:00 pm—IMAC Meeting @ Hesse Park</i> <i>7:00 pm—Storm Drain Oversight Committee Meeting @ City Hall Community Room</i>	10	11 <i>8:15 am—Hike With Councilman Campbell—Families Welcome Contact b.camp@cox.net for each month starting location</i> <i>12:00 pm—Traffic Safety Committee Public Workshop: PVDS Traffic Study Report @ Ladera Linda Community Center</i>
12 <i>1:00 pm—3:00 pm—Volunteer Fair @ City Hall</i>	13 <i>12:00 pm—SBCCOG Steering Committee Meeting @ Torrance Facility (Knight)</i>	14 <i>7:00 pm—Planning Commission Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	15 <i>12:00 pm—Mayor's Lunch @ The Depot (Knight)</i> <i>1:30 pm—Sanitation District Meeting (Knight)</i>	16 <i>7:00 pm—Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting—City Hall Community Room - CANCELLED</i>	17	18 <i>8:00 am—11:00 am—EDCO Shredding/E-waste Day @ City Hall Parking Lot</i> <i>11:00 am—1:00 pm—Meet the Goats @ PVIC</i>
19	20	21 <i>7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	22 <i>7:00 pm—Finance Advisory Committee Meeting @ City Hall Community Room</i>	23 <i>6:00 pm—SBCCOG Board Meeting @ Torrance Facility (Knight)</i>	24 <i>7:30 am—Mayor's Breakfast @ Coco's (Knight/ Misetich)</i>	25 <i>9:00 am—3:00 pm—HHW-Electronics Waste Roundup @ Maintenance Yard, City Hall</i>
26	27 <i><u>11:00 am—Machado Lake Tour (Knight/ Winje)</u></i> <i><u>5:00 pm—City Council Adj. Meeting @ Hesse Park (Goals Workshop)</u></i> <i><u>7:00 pm—Traffic Safety Committee @ City Hall Community Room</u></i>	28 <i>7:00 pm—Planning Commission Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	29 <i>6:00 pm—Trails Network Plan Public Workshop #3 @ City Hall Community Room</i> <i>7:00 pm—Finance Advisory Committee Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	30		

May 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 9:00 am—11:00 am— Community Leaders Meeting @ PVIC
3	4	5 7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park	6 4:00 pm—5:30 pm— Peninsula Watershed Man- agement Group Workshop @ South Coast Botanical Gar- dens 6:00 pm—Quarterly Preserve Public Forum @ City Hall Community Room 7:00 pm—Sunnyside Ridge Trail Project @ Miraleste Intermediate School Library	7 7:00 pm—Storm Drain Over- sight Committee Meeting @ City Hall Community Room	8	9 8:15 am—Hike With Council- man Campbell—Families Wel- come Contact b.camp@cox.net for each month starting location
10	11 12:00 pm—SBCCOG Steer- ing Committee @ Torrance Office (Knight)	12 7:00 pm—Planning Commis- sion Meeting @ Hesse Park	13	14 8:00 am—Regional Law Committee Meeting @ RH City Hall (Brooks/Misetich) 6:00 pm—IMAC Meeting @ Hesse Park	15	16
17 56th CCCA Annual Conference—Indian Wells (Knight/Brooks/ Misetich/Petru) 11:00 am—3:00 pm— Pet Adoption Event @ Hesse Park—Upper Picnic Area	18	19 7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park	20 12:00 pm—Mayor's Lunch @ The Depot (Knight) 1:30 pm—Sanitation District Meeting (Knight)	21 6:00 pm—8:00 pm—Pet Licensing/Vaccination/ Microchip @ Hesse Park (Upper Field area) 7:00 pm—Emergency Pre- paredness Committee Meet- ing—City Hall Community Room 7:00 pm—Storm Drain Over- sight Committee Meeting @ Hesse Park	22	23
24	25 Memorial Day Holiday—City Hall Closed	26 7:00 pm—Planning Commis- sion Meeting @ Hesse Park	27 7:15 pm—8:45 pm—Solid Waste Sub-Committee Meet- ing @ City Hall Community Room	28 7:00 pm—Oversight Commit- tee for the Water Quality & Flood Protection Program @ Community Room, City Hall	29 7:30 am—Mayor's Breakfast @ Coco's (Knight/Brooks)	30
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June 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i> 7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i> 10:00 am—10:00 pm—PV Street Fair @ Peninsula Center 11:30 am—Los Serenos Docent Appreciation Luncheon @ Ports o' Call Restaurant
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<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>				

TENTATIVE AGENDAS*

***This list is a tool used by the City to plan and coordinate Council agendas. As a working document, items on this list are subject to frequent changes.**

Note: Time Estimates include 45 minutes for the first section of the agenda (Mayor's Announcements, etc. through the Consent Calendar) and 15 minutes for the last section (Future Agenda Items through Adjournment).

May 19, 2015 – (Time Est. – 3 hrs 55 mins)

Closed Session: Labor Negotiations

Study Session: Revisiting the Skateboard Ordinance

Mayor's Announcements: Public Works Week

City Manager Report:

Consent

Adoption of Ordinance – Rescinding the 3% UUT on Telecommunications
Salary Resolution for Part-time GIS Coordinator
Second Admt. to Agmt. for Community Development Block Grant – Admin. Services
Extension of Contract - Mountains Recreation Conservation Authority
Award Contract to Strath Pump for Dewatering Wells
Bank of the West – Certificates of Deposit
Renewal of PV Net Annex Lease Agreement
Gifts for Parks

Public Hearings

Film Permit Fee Increase (10 mins)

Regular Business

Approval of Final Proj. Design & Specs – Sunnyside Ridge Trail Improv. Project (30 mins)
Lower Hesse Park Improvements (30 mins)
Parks Master Plan Update (45 mins)
Introduction of Wireless Antenna Ordinance (30 mins)
Del Cerro Park Parking Plan (30 mins)

June 2, 2015 – (Time Est. – 4 hrs 30 mins)

Closed Session:

Mayor's Announcements:

City Manager Report:

Consent

Border Issues Status Report
Contract Renewal for Geotechnical Consulting Services
Contact Renewal for View Restoration Mediator Professional Services

Contract Renewal for Consultant for Building and Safety Services
Contract Renewal for On-Call Biological and Arboricultural Consulting Services
Contract Renewal for View Restoration Arborist
Renewal Landscape Plan Review Consultant
Approve Deed Restrictions for Measure A Funded City Acquired Open Space Acquis.
Award Street Sweeping Contract
Adoption of Wireless Antenna Ordinance

Public Hearings

Draft Budget Review (30 mins)
Draft Five-Year Model (10 mins)
Draft CIP (20 mins)
Green Hills Memorial Park (1 hr 30 mins)

Regular Business

Western Avenue Design Guidelines (1 hr)

June 16, 2015 – (Time Est. – 5 hrs 23 mins)

Closed Session: Interviews of City Attorney Candidates

Study Session:

Mayor's Announcements: Recreation and Parks Month

City Manager Report: Announcement - 4th of July Celebration

Consent

Amendment Agmt All City Mgmt Services Inc Crossing Guard Services
Annual Investment Policy
Appropriations Limit
Notice and Call of General Municipal Election – November 2015
Approval of 2015 Work Plan – Emergency Preparedness Committee
Council Authorization to Submit Enhanced Watershed Management Plan
Canon Copier Maintenance Agreement Renewal

Public Hearings

Citywide Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District (10 mins)
Abalone Cove Sewer Maintenance District – Engineer's Report (10 mins)
Rate Adjustment Request for EDCO (15 mins)
Rate Adjustment Request for UWS (5 mins)
Adoption of the Budget (15 mins)
Storm Drain User Fee (20 mins)

Regular Business

Peafowl Management Plan (2 hrs)
Proposed Revisions to the City's Street Tree Policy (30 mins)
Del Cerro Park Parking Plan Implementation (30 mins)
Award Park Landscaping Contract (2 mins)
Award Median Maintenance Contract (2 mins)
Tree Trimming Contract Amendment (2 mins)
Award Pavement Striping Maintenance Contract (2 mins)

July 7, 2015 – (Time Est. – 4 hrs 5 mins)

Closed Session:

Mayor's Announcements:

City Manager Report:

Consent

On-Call Services – Engineering Contracts
Award of Contract – City Attorney Services

Public Hearings

Outdoor Lighting Code Amendment (30 mins)
Congestion Management Plan Adoption (5 mins)
Gen Plan Amdmt & Zone Change - 10 Chaparral Lane (1 hr)

Regular Business

Arterial Walls Along Major Corridors (45 mins)
Lower Pt. Vicente – Amendment to Coastal Vision Plan (45 mins)

**IA - Investment Policy (Consent)
Adoption of Budget**

July 21, 2015 – (Time Est. – 3 hrs 30 mins)

Closed Session:

Study Session:

Mayor's Announcements:

City Manager Report:

Consent

Public Hearings

St. John Fisher – Conditional Use Permit Revision Request (30 mins)
Channel View Court Neighborhood Request for Permit Parking (30 mins)
Appeal of Fence/Wall Permit Decisions-29023 Sprucegrove Drive (cont'd from 4/21/15) (1 hr)
Consideration of Amdmt. to the Moratorium Ord. to allow Non-Habitable Construction (30 mins)

Regular Business

August 4, 2015 – (Time Est. – 1 hr 10 mins)

Closed Session:

Study Session:

Mayor's Announcements:

City Manager Report:

Consent

Public Hearings

Introduction of Ordinance - Organic Waste Recycling AB 1826 (10 mins)

Regular Business

August 18, 2015 – (Time Est. – 1 hr)

Closed Session:

Study Session:

Mayor's Announcements:

City Manager Report:

Consent

Public Hearings

Regular Business

September 1, 2015 – (Time Est. – 1 hr)

Closed Session:

Study Session:

Mayor's Announcements:

City Manager Report:

Consent

Continuing Appropriations and Year-End Budget Adjustments

Adoption of Ordinance - Organic Waste Recycling AB 1826

Public Hearings

Regular Business

September 15, 2015 – (Time Est. – 1 hr)

Closed Session:

Study Session:

Mayor's Announcements:

City Manager Report:

Consent

Public Hearings

Regular Business

Future Agenda Items (Identified at Council Mtgs & pending receipt of memo from Councilmember)

July 15, 2014 – Wireless Antenna Master Plan (Campbell)

July 29, 2014 – Discussion of the roles, responsibilities and duties of the City Manager and the City Council (Campbell)

September 30, 2014 – Review of recent City Council Policy No. 47 and/or 48 regarding review of certain records and communications by Council Members (Campbell)

October 7, 2014 - Councilman Buscaino's letter regarding the Rancho LPG Tank Facility (Duhovic)

November 4, 2014 – Regulation of Ultra-Light Aircraft and Drone Flights Along the City's Coastline (Brooks)

December 16, 2014 – Revisit the PVPLC Management Agreement regarding Naming Opportunities (Duhovic); Current Council Ancillary Insurance Coverage (Campbell)

January 20, 2015 – Consider feasibility of a resident oversight committee of the Sheriff Department's Services (Campbell)

February 17, 2015 – Consideration of Passport Services through the City Clerk's Office (Misetich)

April 21, 2015 – City Partnership with traditional non-profit organizations in a non-monetary way (Campbell)

Future Agenda Items Agendized or Otherwise Being Addressed

April 15, 2014 - Revisiting the Skateboarding Ordinance (Brooks) [Agendized on Study Session of April 21, 2015; Agendized on May 19, 2015 Study Session]

October 7, 2014 - Process of responding to residents' emails sent to cc@rpv.com (Duhovic) [Staff currently addressing]

January 20, 2015 – Consideration of Renaming Shoreline Park (Duhovic) [Working with staff]

February 3, 2015 - Wireless Antenna Ordinance (Knight) [Agendized for May 19, 2015]

February 17, 2015 – Imposition of Penalties on SCE for Unplanned Outages Lasting Longer than 8 hours (Misetich) [Memo to be prepared by City Attorney Lynch]

March 3, 2015 – Annexation of the Navy Fuel Depot property into the City to utilize the space as open space area into perpetuity (Misetich) [City Attorney Lynch researching]

RPVtv Channel 34 Programming Schedule Guide Week of 4/20/15 - 4/26/15			
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday	Saturday, Sunday, Monday	Tuesday	
Cardio Fitness Jazz	6:00 AM - 6:30 AM	Cardio Fitness Jazz	Cardio Fitness Jazz
Cardio Fitness Jazz	6:30 AM - 7:00 AM	Cardio Fitness Jazz	Cardio Fitness Jazz
Peninsula Beat 48: State Water Restriction, Montemalaga Elementary, RPV Volunteer Fair, PV Art Center John Elgin Wolf, Toberman House, Whale of a Day 2015	7:00 AM - 7:30 AM	Peninsula Beat 48: State Water Restriction, Montemalaga Elementary, RPV Volunteer Fair, PV Art Center John Elgin Wolf, Toberman House, Whale of a Day 2015	Peninsula Beat 48: State Water Restriction, Montemalaga Elementary, RPV Volunteer Fair, PV Art Center John Elgin Wolf, Toberman House, Whale of a Day 2015
L.A. County News	7:30 AM - 8:00 AM	L.A. County News	L.A. County News
Playing the Field: Peninsula High School Baseball 2015	8:00 AM - 8:30 AM	Playing the Field: Peninsula High School Baseball 2015	Playing the Field: Peninsula High School Baseball 2015
Playing the Field: Peninsula High School Baseball 2015	8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Playing the Field: Peninsula High School Baseball 2015	Playing the Field: Peninsula High School Baseball 2015
Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015	9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015	Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015
Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015	9:30 AM - 10:00	Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015	Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015
Peninsula Beat 48: State Water Restriction, Montemalaga L.A. County News	10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Peninsula Beat 48: State Water Restriction, Montemalaga L.A. County News	Peninsula Beat 48: State Water Restriction, Montemalaga L.A. County News
RPV City Talk: RPV Mayor Jim Knight, April 2015	11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	RPV City Talk: RPV Mayor Jim Knight, April 2015	RPV City Talk: RPV Mayor Jim Knight, April 2015
RPV City Talk: RPV Mayor Jim Knight, April 2015	11:30 AM -	RPV City Talk: RPV Mayor Jim Knight, April 2015	RPV City Talk: RPV Mayor Jim Knight, April 2015
Peninsula Seniors: Greystone Mansion Concours d'Elegance 2014	12:00 PM - 12:30PM	Peninsula Seniors: Greystone Mansion Concours d'Elegance 2014	Peninsula Seniors: Greystone Mansion Concours d'Elegance 2014
Peninsula Seniors (continued)	12:30 PM -	Peninsula Seniors (continued)	Peninsula Seniors (continued)
RPV City Talk: RPV Mayor Jim Knight, April 2015	1:00 PM - 1:30PM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission Meeting April 28th, 2015	RPV City Talk: RPV Mayor Jim Knight, April 2015
RPV City Talk: RPV Mayor Jim Knight, April 2015	1:30 PM - 2:00PM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission Meeting April 28th, 2015	RPV City Talk: RPV Mayor Jim Knight, April 2015
Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015	2:00 PM - 2:30PM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission Meeting April 28th, 2015	Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015
Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015	2:30 PM - 3:00PM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission	Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015
Playing the Field: Peninsula High School Baseball 2015	3:00 PM - 3:30PM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission	Playing the Field: Peninsula High School Baseball 2015
Playing the Field: Peninsula High School Baseball 2015	3:30 PM - 4:00PM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission	Playing the Field: Peninsula High School Baseball 2015
Peninsula Beat 48: State Water Restriction, Montemalaga Elementary, RPV Volunteer Fair, PV Art Center John Elgin Wolf, Toberman House, Whale of a Day 2015	4:00 PM - 4:30PM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission Meeting April 28th, 2015	Peninsula Beat 48: State Water Restriction, Montemalaga Elementary, RPV Volunteer Fair, PV Art Center John Elgin Wolf, Toberman House, Whale of a Day 2015
L.A. County News	4:30 PM - 5:00PM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting April 21st, 2015	L.A. County News
Cardio Fitness Jazz	5:00 PM - 5:30PM	Cardio Fitness Jazz	Cardio Fitness Jazz
Cardio Fitness Jazz	5:30 PM - 6:00PM	Cardio Fitness Jazz	Cardio Fitness Jazz
Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015	6:00 PM - 6:30PM	Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015	Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015
Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015	6:30 PM - 7:00PM	Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015	Whale of a Day Event at PVIC 2015
Peninsula Seniors: Birding with Fred & Donna Niedermeyer	7:00 PM - 7:30PM	Peninsula Seniors: Birding with Fred & Donna Niedermeyer	Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting May 5th, 2015
Peninsula Seniors (continued)	7:30 PM - 8:00PM	Peninsula Seniors (continued)	Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting May 5th, 2015
Playing the Field: Peninsula High School Baseball 2015	8:00 PM - 8:30PM	Playing the Field: Peninsula High School Baseball 2015	Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting May 5th, 2015
Playing the Field: Peninsula High School Baseball 2015	8:30 PM - 9:00PM	Playing the Field: Peninsula High School Baseball 2015	Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting May 5th, 2015
RPV City Talk: RPV Mayor Jim Knight, April 2015	9:00 PM - 9:30PM	RPV City Talk: RPV Mayor Jim Knight, April 2015	Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting May 5th, 2015
RPV City Talk: RPV Mayor Jim Knight, April 2015	9:30 PM -	RPV City Talk: RPV Mayor Jim Knight, April 2015	Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting May 5th, 2015
The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission Meeting April 28th, 2015	10:00 PM - 10:30PM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission Meeting April 28th, 2015	Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting May 5th, 2015
The City of Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting	10:30 PM -	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission	Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting May 5th, 2015
The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission	11:00 PM -	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission	Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting May 5th, 2015
The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission	11:30 PM - 12:00	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission	Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting May 5th, 2015
Community Announcements	12:00 AM - 1:00	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission	Rancho Palos Verdes City Council Meeting May 5th, 2015
Community Announcements	1:00 AM - 6:00 AM	Community Announcements	Community Announcements



**PVPTV35 Programming Schedule Guide
Week of 5/04/15 to 5/10/15**

Monday, May 04

3:00PM Palos Verdes Library Dist.
6:00PM PVP Coordinating Council
7:00PM PVPUSD Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 05

7:00PM City of RPV City Council Meeting - Live (6 hour block)

Wednesday, May 06

7:30PM City of PVE Council Meeting, 4/28/15

Thursday, May 07

7:30PM No Programming

Friday, May 08

6:00PM PVP Land Conservancy Nature Walk
7:00PM City of RPV City Council Meeting, 5/05/15

Saturday, May 09

10:00 AM
7:00PM City of RPV Planning Commission, 4/28/15

Sunday, May 10

7:00PM City of RPV City Council Meeting, 5/05/15

LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT- LOMITA STATION
REPORTED CRIMES & ARRESTS BETWEEN 4/12/2015 - 4/18/2015

LOMITA:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BURGLARY (VEHICLE)	15-01392	1710	4/10/2015-4/13/2015	1730-0830	1900 BLK LOMITA BL	DRIVER'S SIDE DOOR PRIED	VEH RADIO	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
PETTY THEFT (UNLOCKED VEHICLE)	15-01425	1714	4/14/2015	1100-1110	2000 BLK PCH	UNLOCKED VEHICLE	PURSE & BAG, ELECTRONICS, MEDICATION	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
BURGLARY (RESIDENCE)	15-01439	1710	4/16/2015	0745-0940	1800 BLK LOMITA BL	UNK	JEWELRY	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
PETTY THEFT (SHOPLIFTING)	15-01441	1713	4/16/2015	1328-1331	25800 BLK NARBONNE AV	OPEN FOR BUSINESS	ALCOHOL BOTTLES, CANDY, HAIR CARE PRODUCTS	1 SUSPECT ARRESTED
PETTY THEFT (SHOPLIFTING)	15-01448	1714	4/16/2015	1900	1800 BLK PCH	OPEN FOR BUSINESS	FOOD	1 SUSPECT ARRESTED
GRAND THEFT	15-01464	1711	4/17/2015	1200-1800	25900 BLK NARBONNE AV	N/A	ELECTRONICS	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
PETTY THEFT (BICYCLE)	15-01465	1714	4/17/2015	1100-1930	1700 BLK PCH	N/A	BICYCLE, LOCK	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
GRAND THEFT	15-01491	1711	4/18/2015-4/19/2015	1900-1100	2300 BLK 247TH ST		CATALYTIC CONVERTER	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
PETTY THEFT (BICYCLE)	15-01482	1712	4/18/2015-4/19/2015	2200-0800	1900 BLK 253RD ST	N/A	BICYCLE	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
ARRESTS: ATTEMPT ROBBERY-1, DISORDERLY CONDUCT-1, DRUGS-4, PETTY THEFT-2								

RANCHO PALOS VERDES:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
GRAND THEFT	15-01454	1740	3/2/2015-4/16/2015	2300-2200	6600 BLK BEACHVIEW DR	N/A	MISC GOLD, WALLET, U.S. CURRENCY	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
BURGLARY (VEHICLE)	15-01388	1747	4/12/2015	0300-1400	28200 BLK PONTEVEDRA DR	DRIVER DOOR HANDLE DAMAGED	UNK AT TIME OF REPORT	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
BURGLARY (RESIDENTIAL)	15-01420	1744	4/14/2015	2015-2030	4300 BLK MIRALESTE DR	REAR SLIDING GLASS DOOR SMASHED	NOTHING REPORTED	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
GRAND THEFT	15-01471	1746	4/16/2015-4/18/2015	1700-1030	1900 BLK TRUDIE DR	N/A	MISC POWER TOOLS	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
PETTY THEFT (SHOPLIFTING)	15-01477	1736	4/18/2015	1915	30000 BLK HAWTHORNE BL	OPEN FOR BUSINESS	ALCOHOL	SUSPECT: FB/18/510/THINK/BLK HAIR IN A BUN
ARRESTS: RESISTING ARREST-1, SUSPENDED LICENSE-1, UNLICENSED DRIVER-1								

ROLLING HILLS:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

BURGLARY (RESIDENTIAL)	15-01459	1761	4/17/2015	1000-1400	PACKSADDLE RD	UNK, NO SIGNS OF FORCED ENTRY	UNK AT TIME OF REPORT	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
ARRESTS: UNLICENSED DRIVER-1								

ROLLING HILLS ESTATES:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BURGLARY (RESIDENTIAL)	15-01389	1723	4/12/2015	1400	MISTY ACRES RD	WINDOW SHATTERED	NOTHING TAKEN	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
BURGLARY (VEHICLE)	15-01451	1724	4/16/2015	1830-1900	500 BLK DEEP VALLEY DR	REAR WINDOW PRIED	3RD ROW SEATS	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
PETTY THEFT	15-01460	1724	4/17/2015	1505	PENINSULA CENTER	N/A	WALLET, CDL, STAMPS, DEBIT CARD	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
ARRESTS: UNLICENSED DRIVER-2								

SAN PEDRO:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
NO CRIMES DURING THIS TIME								
ARRESTS:								

PVP:

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
NO CRIMES DURING THIS TIME								
NO ARRESTS DURING THIS TIME								



FOLLOW-UP AGENDA

RANCHO PALOS VERDES PLANNING COMMISSION

TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2015

FRED HESSE COMMUNITY PARK, 29301 HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD

REGULAR MEETING

7:00 PM

SCHEDULING NOTES

REQUESTS TO SPEAK ON AN ITEM MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR PRIOR TO THE COMPLETION OF THE REMARKS OF THE FIRST SPEAKER ON THE ITEM. NO REQUEST FORMS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THAT TIME.

PURSUANT TO ADOPTED PLANNING COMMISSION PROCEDURE, UNLESS THE PLANNING COMMISSION AGREES TO SUSPEND ITS RULES, NO NEW BUSINESS WILL BE HEARD AFTER 11:00 P.M. AND NO ITEM WILL BE HEARD PAST MIDNIGHT. ANY ITEMS NOT HEARD BECAUSE OF THE TIME LIMITS WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY CONTINUED TO THE NEXT COMMISSION AGENDA.

NEXT P.C. RESOLUTION NO. 2015-07

CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: LED BY COMMISSIONER JAMES

ROLL CALL: ALL PRESENT; COMMISSIONER TOMBLIN ARRIVED DURING ITEM #3.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: APPROVED AS PRESENTED

COMMUNICATIONS:

City Council Items: THE DIRECTOR REPORTED THAT AT THE APRIL 21ST CITY COUNCIL MEETING, THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVED THE PROPOSED LOT SPLIT ON CREST ROAD WHICH ALSO NECESSITATED A VARIANCE. THE CITY COUNCIL ALSO HEARD THE APPEAL OF THE FENCE/WALL PERMIT ON SPRUCEGROVE AND CONTINUED THE ITEM TO JULY TO ALLOW STAFF TO WORK WITH BOTH PARTIES TO TRY AND ACHIEVE A UNIFORM LOOK FOR THE FENCE/WALL.

Staff: THE DIRECTOR NOTED THERE IS A NEW PROCESS TO OBTAIN THE PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA ELECTRONICALLY AND THAT THERE WILL BE ANOTHER LEADERSHIP ACADEMY THIS SUMMER. IN ADDITION THE DIRECTOR DISTRIBUTED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF LATE CORRESPONDENCE; 2 LETTERS RELATED TO ITEM #2 AND 3 LETTERS RELATED TO ITEM #3.

Commission: COMMISSIONER NELSON REPORTED ON HIS ATTENDANCE AT THE CHOA MEETING.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE (regarding non-agenda items): **NONE**

CONSENT CALENDAR:

NONE

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

1. OUTDOOR LIGHTING (CASE NO. ZON2014-00320): City (LM)

Request: A City Council initiated amendment to Chapter 17.56.030 (Outdoor Lighting for Residential Uses) and Chapter 17.56.040 (Outdoor Lighting for Non-residential Uses) of the Rancho Palos Verdes Zoning Code (Title 17) to improve the City's existing regulations for exterior lighting, including, but not limited to codifying the following changes: 1) Specifying that light fixtures are to be fully shielded so that the light source is not visible; and, 2) Establishing acceptable color temperatures for exterior lights; 3) Imposing restrictions on exterior light emissions based on lumens instead of wattage; and, 4) Addressing the glare of exterior lights to neighboring properties and vehicles in the public right-of-way.

ACTION: CONTINUED THE PUBLIC HEARING TO JUNE 23, 2015 TO ALLOW THE OUTDOOR LIGHTING SUBCOMMITTEE ADDITIONAL TIME TO REVIEW THE PROPOSED CODE AMENDMENT LANGUAGE BEFORE PRESENTING THE LANGUAGE TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOR CONSIDERATION, ON A VOTE OF (6-0).

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

2. HEIGHT VARIATION (CASE NO. ZON2014-00493): 5287 Rolling Ridge Road (JC)

Request: To construct a new 1,682.5 square foot second-floor addition to an existing 2,281 square foot single-story residence on an 80,806 square foot lot. The height of the residence will measure 25'-10 1/2" in height as measured from the lowest finished grade adjacent to the structure (elev. 310.69') to the top of the highest roof ridgeline (elev. 336.54') of the addition. The applicant also requests a 473 square foot first floor addition and a 420 square foot trellis.

ACTION: ADOPTED P.C. RESOLUTION NO. 2015-07, AS AMENDED, THEREBY CONDITIONALLY APPROVING THE HEIGHT VARIATION AND SITE PLAN REVIEW. (CASE NO. ZON2014-00493), ON A VOTE OF (5-0) WITH COMMISSIONER GERSTNER RECUSED.

3. WESTERN AVE. GUIDELINE PLAN (TENATIVE): City (LM)

Request: A review of the Western Avenue Design Guidelines for the City of Rancho Palos in partnership with the City of Los Angeles. The two Cities have teamed together to develop guidelines to implement a consistent and cohesive implementation tool for Western Avenue, with a goal to create an environment that invites mobility for various users and creates more inviting, business friendly destinations. This meeting supplements a public workshop that was held on March 14, 2015. The consultant has taken all comments into consideration and is presenting a draft document to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission for consideration.

ACTION: AGREED TO NOT RECOMMEND OPTIONS A, B, OR C WITHIN THE PROPOSED GUIDELINES, BUT INSTEAD RECOMMEND A FOURTH OPTION "D", WHICH WOULD 1) SIEZE THE CURRENT OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND CALTRANS TO IMPROVE WESTERN AVENUE; 2) DESIGNATE WESTERAN AVENUE AS A THOROUGHFARE FIRST; 3) EASE TRAFFIC FOR VEHICLES; 4) EMBARK ON SHORT TERM IMPROVEMENTS TO SIGNAGE, LANDSCAPING AND THE CENTER MEDIAN; AND 5) IDENTIFY A LONG-TERM VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF WESTERN AVENUE ON A VOTE OF (4-3), WITH COMMISSIONERS JAMES, TOMBLIN AND GERSTNER DISSENTING.

NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON FUTURE AGENDAS:

4. PRE-AGENDA FOR THE MEETING ON MAY 12, 2015

ACTION: ACCEPTED AS PRSENTED.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:57 P.M.

THE NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR MAY 12, 2015.



Applications of Note as of April 29, 2015

Case No.	Owner	Street Address	Project Description	Submitted
ZON2015-00212	MICHAEL SIWA	6453 VIA COLINITA	232SF addition, 8 skylights, 2 a/c units	4/27/2015
			<i>Site Plan Review</i>	
			<i>Foliage Analysis</i>	
ZON2015-00217	MICHAEL & GINA MULLIGAN	32025 CAPE POINT DR	New SFR	4/27/2015
ZON2015-00219	ODURO, SAMUEL & CHARLOTTE	27945 PONTEVEDRA DR	This approval is for a (N) 312 SF trellis and a (N) bay window on a single family residence	4/28/2015
			<i>Site Plan Review</i>	
			<i>Foliage Analysis</i>	

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Drought Update

Monday, April 20, 2015

CURRENT CONDITIONS

Recent Precipitation: During the past week, light precipitation brought as much as 1.3 inches in the north coast, on Smith River, and tapered to as little as 0.01 inch along the coastline near Mendocino and along the Oregon border. Precipitation along the northern Sierra ranged from 0.14 to 0.05 inches. The remaining areas of California did not receive traceable precipitation.

Below are precipitations totals (in inches) from Monday, April 13, through Monday, April 20, and year-to-date rainfall based on the water year cycle (October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015).

- **Bakersfield:** 0.00" (4.59")
- **Folsom Dam:** 0.00" (23.91")
- **Fresno:** 0.00" (5.16")
- **Hetch Hetchy:** 0.00" (15.89")
- **Los Angeles:** 0.00" (7.46")
- **Modesto:** 0.00" (9.77")
- **Oroville:** 0.00" (24.64")
- **Pacific House:** 0.00" (25.88")
- **Redding:** 0.00" (30.92")
- **Riverside:** 0.00" (3.91")
- **Sacramento:** 0.00" (12.63")
- **San Diego:** 0.00" (6.51")
- **Shasta Dam:** 0.00" (48.92")
- **Willits:** 0.00" (37.36")

Precipitation Forecast: Light precipitation is expected to spread today and tomorrow (Monday and Tuesday) throughout the Sierra mountain range, interior north coast, and central coast. Wednesday is forecasted to have greater rainfall coverage across the Sierra mountain range in northern California.

Snow Survey: The latest manual snow surveys, conducted on April 1, recorded California snowpack at 5 percent of the historic April 1 average. As of April 17, the automated snow sensors captured the statewide average snowpack conditions at just 4 percent of the long term average. Regionally, the Northern Sierra Nevada and the Southern Sierra Nevada are at 3 percent of average while the Central Sierra Nevada is at 5 percent of average.

Reservoir Levels (% capacity): Since the last report on April 10, Central Valley reservoirs from Shasta and Trinity in the North to Isabella in the South had a net loss in storage of 1,200 acre-feet. Shasta Reservoir increased by 11,800 acre-feet, while San Luis Reservoir, an off-stream reservoir for the Central Valley Project and State Water Project, decreased its storage by 13,000 acre-feet.

Reservoir Levels as of April 16 remain low, including: Castaic Lake 30% of capacity (33% of year to date average); Don Pedro 42% of capacity (58% of average); Exchequer 9% of capacity (16% of average); Folsom Lake 59% of capacity (84% of average); Lake Oroville 51% of capacity (65% of average); Lake Perris 39% (46% of average); Millerton Lake 38% of capacity (55% of average); New Melones 22% of capacity (34% of average); Pine Flat 20% of capacity (33% of average); San Luis 65% of capacity (72% of average); Lake Shasta 60% of capacity (71% of average); and Trinity Lake 49% of capacity (61% of average). An update of water levels at other smaller reservoirs is also available.

Fire Activity: Since the beginning of the year, CAL FIRE has responded to over 780 wildfires across the state, burning 3,436 acres in the State Responsibility Area. This fire activity is above the five year average for the same time period with 479 fires and 1,239 acres burned. CAL FIRE has hired additional seasonal firefighters and trained in preparation for the peak fire season and continues to augment resources throughout the state as needed.

Statewide Open Burn Ban Update: Although burn bans have been lifted throughout the State during the winter, restrictions on burning remain in place in many areas. Some jurisdictions still require homeowners to obtain a burn permit. Daily fire and weather conditions will dictate whether burning is permissible that day.

Vulnerable Water Systems: The State Water Board Division of Drinking Water Programs continues to provide technical and funding assistance to several communities facing drinking water shortages, and is monitoring water systems across the state to determine if new support is needed. As of this week, approximately \$14.9 million has been committed for specific emergency drinking water projects out of \$15 million appropriated in March 2014 for this purpose, while more funding for this emergency program has been provided by the recent emergency drought appropriation in March.

KEY ACTION ITEMS FROM THIS WEEK

- **Drought Triggers Need for Emergency Salinity Barrier in Delta:** On April 15, DWR reported that plans are moving ahead to build a temporary rock barrier in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The barrier would help deter saltwater from the San Francisco Bay from moving up into the Delta where it could mix with freshwater and threaten drinking water supplies. The emergency barrier would also help mitigate a worst-case circumstance this summer in which upstream reservoirs lack sufficient water to meet the minimum outflow requirements to limit Delta salinity intrusion.
- **State, Federal Agencies and Water Users Agree on Framework for Water Operations:** Federal and state agencies, along with Sacramento River Settlement Contractors, agreed this week on an integrated framework of actions for operations of the federal Central Valley Project and the State Water Project for mid-April through November. The actions will flexibly manage and operate the system to serve multiple beneficial purposes that include water for cities and rural communities, farms, fish and wildlife and their habitats in the Sacramento Valley. A fact sheet released by the agencies summarizes this agreement.
- **Fish and Game Commission Approves Emergency Fishing Closure on Part of Upper Sacramento River:** On April 17, the state Fish and Game Commission approved the Department of Fish and Wildlife's (DFWs) recommendation to provide dual areas of protection for Sacramento River winter-run Chinook salmon, which closes all fishing on the 5.5 mile stretch of the Upper Sacramento River near the City of Redding. The closure will protect critical spawning habitat and eliminate any incidental stress or hooking mortality of winter-run salmon by anglers.

In addition, DFW, in consultation with representatives of California's sport and commercial salmon fishing industries, recommended additional strategic protective measures for winter-run Chinook salmon to the Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC) which reduce the allowable ocean harvest rate on winter-run salmon and change the timing and location of ocean fisheries south of San Francisco. This proposal for additional ocean fishing restrictions was accepted and will help the winter-run population to avoid losses.

- **State Water Board Issues Curtailment Orders:** On April 17, the State Water Board issued a curtailment order for Deer Creek, a tributary to the Sacramento River, which follows a similar order of April 3 for Antelope Creek. Both of these orders are intended to protect salmon and steelhead. Further curtailment orders for the Scott River post-1914 and surplus water rights, and San Joaquin River post-1914 water rights are expected between April 20 and April 24. The Water Board requires water rights holders to curtail their diversion of surface water supplies when rivers and streams reach critically low levels. These curtailments often translate to significant cuts to agricultural irrigation.
- **Draft Regulations Released for Water Use Reduction:** On April 18, the State Water Board released draft regulations to achieve a 25% statewide reduction in water use across California cities and towns. These draft regulations for local urban water agencies were developed from feedback that the Water Board received after it released a draft framework for the regulations earlier this month. A fact sheet summarizes the draft regulations. Water agencies are asked to comment on these regulations by April 22, which will inform the final draft of regulations that will be considered by the Water Board in early May. More information on this process can be found on the Water Board's website.

In addition, the State Water Board will complete and notice the emergency regulations to achieve the Executive Order mandate for statewide 25% reduction in potable urban water usage on April 28.

- **DWR's Groundwater Update Report Support Implementation of New Groundwater Sustainability Act:** On April 16, DWR announced their completion of the Groundwater Update to the California Water Plan. The Update expands and enhances baseline groundwater information on a regional scale, identifies challenges associated with sustainable groundwater management and helps guide implementation of diverse resource management strategies. Statewide and regional findings, data gaps and recommendations to improve groundwater management are also included.
- **Emergency Food Aid, Rental, and Utility Assistance:** The Department of Social Services (CDSS) has provided to date over 598,850 boxes of food to community food banks in drought-impacted counties. Approximately 543,050 boxes of food have been picked up by 284,742 households. By Friday, April 24, an additional 9,600 boxes will be delivered to four counties. Local food banks continue to target food aid to residents most impacted by drought.

The non-profit group La Cooperativa continues to distribute the \$10 million state-funded emergency rental assistance to impacted families and individuals across counties most impacted by the drought. As of Thursday, April 9, the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reported that a total of \$8,678,648 is committed; and \$7,502,890 in funds has been issued to 4,555 applicants in 21 counties.

The Department of Community Services and Development (CSD) allocated an additional \$600,000, under the federally-funded Community Services Block Grant (CSBG), to continue the Drought Water Assistance Program (DWAP) pilot project which provides financial assistance to help low-income families pay their water bills.

This program targets low-income families in 10 counties identified as experiencing a high unemployment rate, high share of agricultural workers and designated to have “exceptional” drought conditions according to the U.S. Drought Monitor Classification System. These counties are Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz, Stanislaus and Tulare. CSD is finalizing the contract terms and anticipates funding to begin May 1, 2015.

CSD is in the process of allocating \$400,000, under CSBG, to continue the Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker (MSFW) drought assistance program, which provides assistance in employment training and placement services to individuals impacted by the drought. This program has been provided in coordination with the California Human Development (CHD), Central Valley Opportunity Center (CVOC), and Center for Employment Training (CET) and Proteus, which provides employment training and placement services to migrant and seasonal farmworkers suffering job loss or reduced employment due to the drought. CSD is finalizing contract terms with these organizations and anticipates services to begin June 1, 2015.

- **California’s Water Conservation Education Program Kicks off New Campaign:** A day after Governor Jerry Brown’s historic drought executive order including mandatory water conservation, Save Our Water launched “Keep Saving CA,” a statewide public education campaign that gives Californians a pat on the back for their water-saving efforts to date – and asks them to do more. Save Our Water is a partnership between the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) and the Department of Water Resources. The Keep Saving CA campaign will run through the end of June and includes billboards, outdoor media, traditional and digital radio, digital and social media, and on-the-street efforts that will be seen and heard throughout the state. The campaign includes a robust new website loaded with easy-to-use water-saving tips at saveourwater.com. Save Our Water connects with Californians on its Facebook page, Twitter and Instagram accounts.
- **LAO Says Actual Statewide Economic Impacts of Drought Are Limited:** This report suggested that even a substantial decline in agriculture’s share of the economy due to the drought will probably have limited impacts on the overall statewide economic activities this year. On April 15, the Legislative Analyst Office (LAO) reported that agriculture generates only about 2% of the state’s gross domestic product and contributes to only 3% of the state’s related businesses and jobs.
- **Policy Summit to Explore Impacts of Illegal Marijuana Grows:** On, April 29, a special policy summit at the State Capitol will explore the environmental impacts and public safety challenges arising from illegal marijuana cultivation in California. State agencies will be participating in this summit.
- **Drought Response Funding:** The \$687 million in state drought funding that was appropriated last March through emergency legislation, as well as \$142 million provided in the 2014 Budget Act, continues to advance toward meeting critical needs. To date, \$236 million has been expended, and nearly \$625 million of the emergency funds appropriated in March came from sources dedicated to capital improvements to water systems. Since March, the Department of Water Resources has expedited grant approvals, getting \$21 million immediately allocated to grantees that were pre-approved for certain projects.

As planned in March, the next \$200 million of expedited capital funding was awarded in October, and the remaining \$250 million will be granted by fall 2015. The 2014 Budget Act appropriated an additional \$53.8 million to CAL FIRE over its typical budget to enhance firefighter surge capacity and retain seasonal firefighters beyond the typical fire season. In the event drought conditions continue through next year, the proposed 2015-16 Governor's Budget includes an additional \$115 million to continue critical drought response efforts.

- **Governor's Drought Task Force:** The Task Force continues to take actions that conserve water and coordinate state response to the drought.

Local Government

- **MWD Board Approves Plan to Cut Deliveries to Member Agencies by 15% beginning July 1:** On April 14, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Board approved an allocation plan that will cut imported water deliveries to its member agencies by 15% starting July 1. The board also passed a resolution endorsing Governor Brown's April 1 Executive Order which calls for a mandatory 25% reduction in urban water use.
- **Local Emergency Proclamations:** A total of 54 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:
 - **24 Counties:** El Dorado, Glenn, Inyo, Humboldt, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
 - **9 Cities:** City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County), and City of Willits (Mendocino County).
 - **9 Tribes:** Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
 - **12 Special Districts:** Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County), Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).

- **Water Agency Conservation Efforts:** The Association of California Water Agencies (AWCA) has identified several hundred local water agencies that have implemented water conservation actions. These water agencies are responding to the drought by implementing conservation programs, which include voluntary calls for reduced water usage and mandatory restrictions where water shortages are worst.
- **County Drought Taskforces:** A total of 29 counties have established drought task forces to coordinate local drought response. These counties include: Butte, Glenn, Humboldt, Imperial, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mendocino, Merced, Modoc, Monterey, Nevada, Orange, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Siskiyou, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yolo.
- **Tribal Taskforce:** A total of 4 tribes have established drought task forces to coordinate tribal drought response. These tribes include: Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Yurok Tribe (Humboldt Counties) and Sherwood Valley Tribe (Mendocino County), and Kashia Band of Pomo Indians (Sonoma County).

DROUGHT RELATED WEBSITES FOR MORE INFORMATION

Drought.CA.Gov: California's Drought Information Clearinghouse

State's Water Conservation Campaign, Save our Water
 Local Government, Drought Clearinghouse and Toolkit

California Department of Food and Agriculture, Drought information
 California Department of Water Resources, Current Water Conditions

California Data Exchange Center, Snow Pack/Water Levels

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