

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
October 20, 2016

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

I. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

- A. HOUSING AUTHORITY PERFORMANCE RATING
Maria Stipe's memo reporting on the the performance rating for the Garden Grove Housing Authority.
- B. GARDEN GROVE SALES TAX Q2 2016 UPDATE
HdL Companies' published report for the Q2 2016 Garden Grove Sales Tax Update.

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: Scott C. Stiles
Dept.: City Manager
Subject: HOUSING AUTHORITY
PERFORMANCE RATING

From: Maria Stipe
Dept: City Manager
Date: October 19, 2016

OBJECTIVE

To report on the performance rating for the Garden Grove Housing Authority.

BACKGROUND

The SEMAP (Section 8 Management Assessment Program) Certification represents the Housing Authority's performance for the fiscal year 2015-2016. The Certification represents fourteen areas, on which the Housing Authority is rated. The Housing Authority is required to conduct a self-audit of a random sampling of its files for a portion of the fourteen indicators. The other indicators are scored based on the electronic reporting the Housing Authority is required to submit. The results were summarized in a report and submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on August 22, 2016.

SUMMARY

The Garden Grove Housing Authority received notification from the Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) that they have confirmed our rating and that we have earned a total of 145 points out of 145 possible points. This gives a score of 100% and designates the Housing Authority as a High Performing Agency.



Maria Stipe
Deputy City Manager

By: Danny Huynh
Housing Authority Manager

Attachment 1: SEMAP Final Score Letter from HUD



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HOUSING AUTHORITY

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
 Office of Public Housing
 Los Angeles Field Office, Region IX
 300 North Los Angeles Street, Suite 4054
 Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Mr. Scott Stiles
 Executive Director
 Housing Authority City of Garden Grove
 ATTENTION: Mr. Danny Huynh, Housing Director
 11277 Garden Grove Boulevard, Unit 101C
 Garden Grove, California 92843

Dear Mr. Stiles:

SUBJECT: SEMAP Notification Final Score Letter

Thank you for completing your Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) certification for the **Housing Authority City of Garden Grove**. We appreciate your time and attention to the SEMAP assessment process. SEMAP enables HUD to better manage the Section 8 tenant-based Program by identifying PHA capabilities and deficiencies related to the administration of the Section 8 Program. As a result, HUD will be able to provide more effective program assistance to PHAs.

The Housing Authority City of Garden Grove final SEMAP score for the fiscal year ended **6/30/2016** is **100**. The following are your scores on each indicator.

Indicator 1 Selection from Waiting List (24 CFR 982.54(d)(1 and 982.204(a))	15
Indicator 2 Reasonable Rent (24 CFR 982.4, 982.54(d)(15), 982.158(f)(7) and 982.507	20
Indicator 3 Determination of Adjusted Income (24 CFR part 5, subpart F and 24 CFR 982.516)	20
Indicator 4 Utility Allowance Schedule (24 CFR 982.517)	5
Indicator 5 HQS Quality Control (24 CFR 982.405(b))	5
Indicator 6 HQS Enforcement (24 CFR 982.404)	10
Indicator 7 Expanding Housing Opportunities	5
Indicator 8 Payment Standards (24 CFR 982.503)	5
Indicator 9 Timely Annual Reexaminations (24 CFR 5.617)	10
Indicator 10 Correct Tenant Rent Calculations (24 CFR 5.617)	5
Indicator 11 Pre-Contract HQS Inspections (24 CFR 982.305)	5
Indicator 12 Annual HQS Inspections (24 CFR 982.405(a))	10
Indicator 13 Lease Up	20
Indicator 14 Family Self Sufficiency (24 CFR 984.105 and 984.305)	10
Indicator 15 Deconcentration Bonus	0

Your overall performance rating is **High**. Your PHA has earned a total of **145** points out of **145** possible points.

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Garden Grove Sales Tax Update

Third Quarter Receipts for Second Quarter Sales (April - June 2016)

Garden Grove In Brief

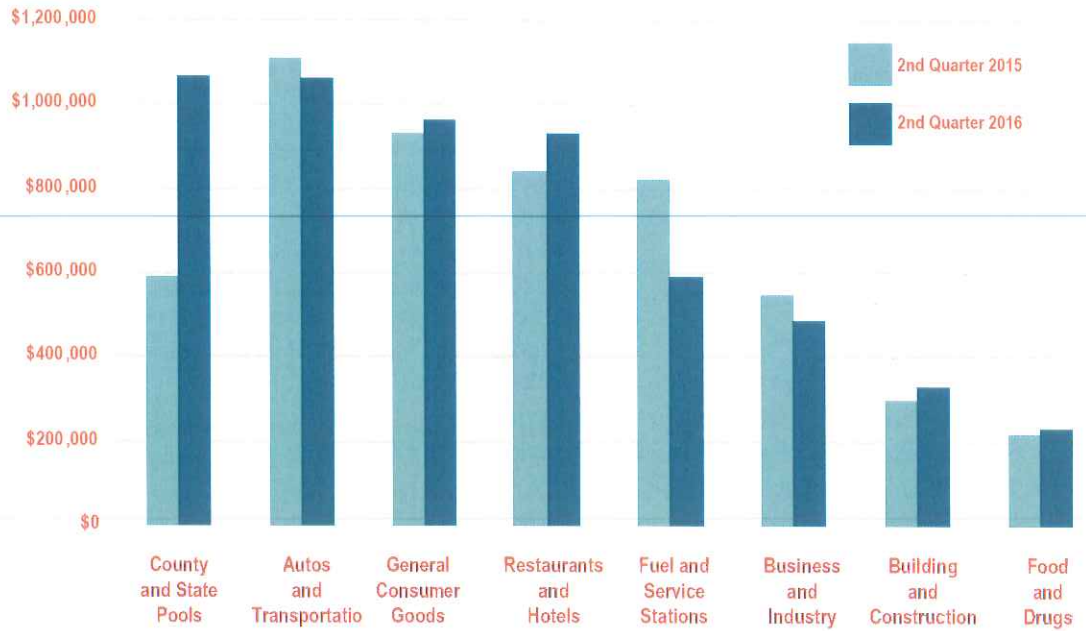
Garden Grove's receipts from April through June sales increased 5.9% compared to the same quarter of 2015. Actual sales activity reported by the City's retailers slipped 1.8% when accounting aberrations were excluded.

A multi-year adjustment that hiked the allocation from the county use tax pool was the primary reason for the difference between cash receipts and actual sales. Accounting events that affected one or both periods exaggerated the impact of lower fuel prices on service station returns and depressed comparisons for petroleum products/equipment. An adjustment pared current quarter postings from auto leases while a shift to pool reporting hurt light industrial/printer receipts. A onetime year-ago use tax allocation and lower sales cut business and industry group comparisons.

A recent addition, combined with the reclassification of an eatery from casual dining, boosted hotel/liquor returns. Sales increased from grocery stores and the building and construction sector. Receipt of taxes due from prior periods masked a 1.2% decline in sales of consumer goods due, in part, to a business closeout.

Adjusted for anomalies, taxable sales for all of Orange County grew 1.0% over the same period; the Southern California region as a whole was up 1.6%.

SALES TAX BY MAJOR BUSINESS GROUP



TOP 25 PRODUCERS IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER

Arco AM PM	One Source Distributors
Burlington Coat Factory	Quantum Auto Sales
California Fuels & Lubricants	Ross
Chevron (2)	Shell
Costco	Simpson Chevrolet
Ferguson Bath & Kitchen Gallery	T Mobile
Garden Grove Hyundai	Target
Garden Grove Kia	Toyota Place
Great Wolf Lodge	Volkswagen of Garden Grove
Home Depot	Vons
Hyatt Regency	Walmart
Imperio Nissan Of Garden Grove	
McDonalds	

REVENUE COMPARISON

One Quarter – Fiscal Year To Date

	2015-16	2016-17
Point-of-Sale	\$4,762,271	\$4,601,555
County Pool	586,171	1,064,939
State Pool	3,984	1,728
Gross Receipts	\$5,352,427	\$5,668,222
Less Triple Flip*	\$(1,338,107)	\$0

*Reimbursed from county compensation fund

California Overall

Statewide local sales and use tax receipts were up 1.9% over last year's spring quarter after adjusting for payment aberrations.

The largest gains were for building supplies, restaurants, utility/energy projects and countywide use tax pool allocations. Tax revenues from general consumer goods and business investment categories rose slightly while auto sales leveled off.

Interest In Tax Reform Grows

With modest growth in sales and use taxes, agencies are increasingly reliant on local transaction tax initiatives to cover growing infrastructure and employee retirement costs. As of October 1, there are 210 active add-on tax districts with dozens more proposed for the upcoming November and April ballots.

The Bradley-Burns 1% local sales tax structure has not kept pace with social and economic changes occurring since the tax was first implemented in 1933. Technology and globalization are reducing the cost of goods while spending is shifting away from taxable merchandise to non-taxed experiences, social networking and services. Growing outlays for housing and health care are also cutting family resources available for discretionary spending. Tax-exempt digital downloads and a growing list of legislative exemptions have compounded the problem.

California has the nation's highest sales tax rate, reaching 10% in some jurisdictions. This rate, however, is applied to the smallest basket of taxable goods. A basic principle of sound tax policy is to have the lowest rate applied to the broadest possible basket of goods. California's opposite approach leads to revenue volatility and causes the state and local governments to be more vulnerable to economic downturns.

The State Controller, several legislators and some newspaper editorials have suggested a fresh look at the state's tax structure and a few ideas for reform have been proposed, including:

Expand the Base / Lower the Rate:

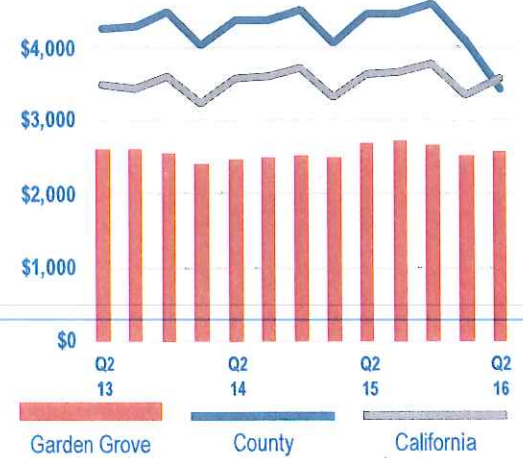
Eliminate much of the \$11.5 billion in exemptions adopted since the tax was first implemented and expand the base to include the digital goods and services commonly taxed in other states. This would allow a lower, less regressive tax that is more competitive nationally and would expand local options for economic development.

Allocate to Place of Consumption:

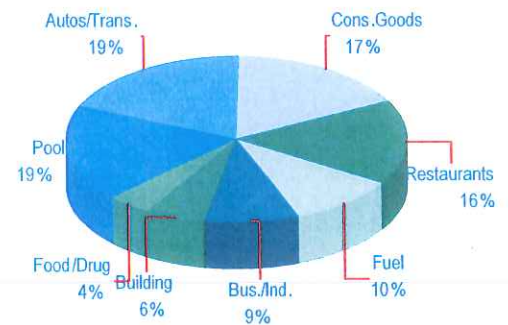
Converting to destination sourcing, already in use in the state's transactions and use tax districts, would maintain the allocation of local sales tax to the jurisdiction where stores, restaurants and other carryout businesses are located, but return the tax for online and catalog sales to the jurisdiction of the buyer that paid the tax. One outcome of this proposal would be the redirection of tax revenues to local agencies that are currently being shared with business owners and corporations as an inducement to move order desks to their jurisdictions.

Tax reform will not be easy. However, failing to reach agreement on a simpler, less regressive tax structure that adapts this century's economy could make California a long-term "loser" in competing with states with lower overall tax rates.

SALES PER CAPITA



REVENUE BY BUSINESS GROUP
Garden Grove This Quarter



GARDEN GROVE TOP 15 BUSINESS TYPES

Business Type	*In thousands of dollars			
	Garden Grove Q2 '16*	Change	County Change	HdL State Change
Automotive Supply Stores	89.5	5.9%	2.6%	1.5%
Casual Dining	464.2	-5.6%	4.1%	4.3%
Discount Dept Stores	— CONFIDENTIAL —		-0.8%	0.7%
Electrical Equipment	182.5	-2.4%	-3.0%	23.4%
Family Apparel	110.4	6.2%	6.4%	4.4%
Grocery Stores Liquor	102.6	4.0%	2.8%	1.2%
Hotels-Liquor	119.9	309.4%	9.9%	8.1%
Light Industrial/Printers	96.7	-20.8%	-0.5%	0.5%
Lumber/Building Materials	— CONFIDENTIAL —		0.3%	3.3%
New Motor Vehicle Dealers	724.5	-3.9%	0.6%	2.7%
Petroleum Prod/Equipment	120.4	-14.0%	-18.5%	-31.3%
Quick-Service Restaurants	289.6	6.4%	5.1%	6.7%
Service Stations	470.9	-31.0%	-23.2%	-19.2%
Specialty Stores	105.1	2.4%	1.2%	2.5%
Used Automotive Dealers	160.9	9.2%	9.5%	10.9%
Total All Accounts	4,601.6	-3.4%	-22.1%	-0.6%
County & State Pool Allocation	1,066.7	80.7%	45.7%	15.2%
Gross Receipts	5,668.2	5.9%	-14.6%	1.4%



Memorandum

DATE: October 17, 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 August.
- Fig. 2 OC Water Usage, Monthly, Comparison to Previous Years Water usage in August 2016 was low compared to the last 5 years with the exception of August 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 519,000 AF in FY 2016-17 (*this includes ~15 TAF of agricultural usage and non-retail water agency usage*). This is about 20,000 AF more than FY 2015-16 and is about 53,000 AF less than FY 2014-15. Water usage per person is projected to be slightly higher than in FY 2015-16 for Orange County at 145 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.

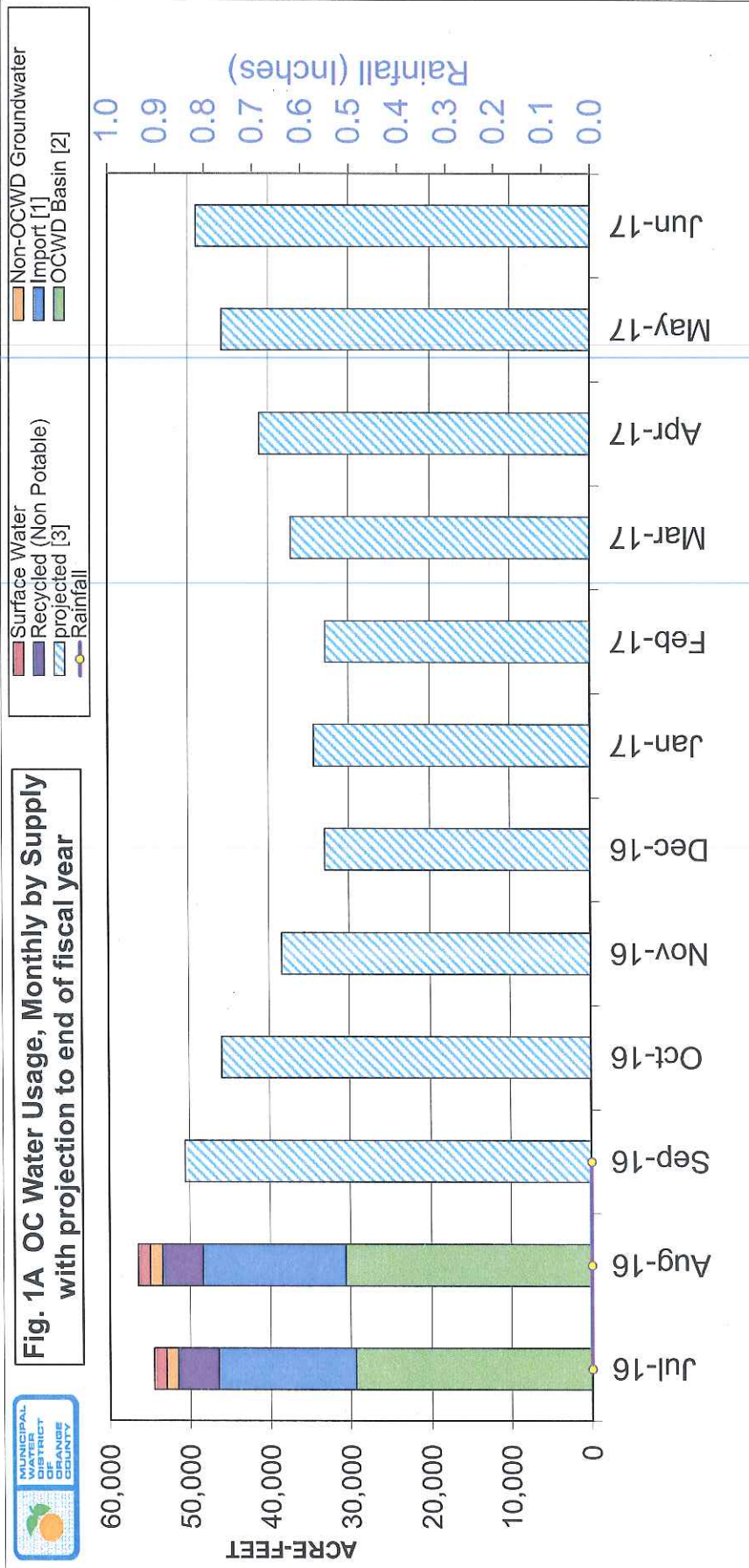
Water Supply Information Includes data on: Rainfall in OC; the OCWD Basin overdraft; Northern California and Colorado River Basin hydrologic data; the State Water Project (SWP) Allocation, and regional storage volumes. The data has implications for the

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 September 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 has shifted its prediction from La Nina to a greater chance of neutral conditions for the 2016-17 winter (La Nina is generally associated with cool dry winters in Southern California).
- Northern California accumulated precipitation in September was around 115% 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 September 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 61% 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 September Lake Mead levels were hovering right at 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.



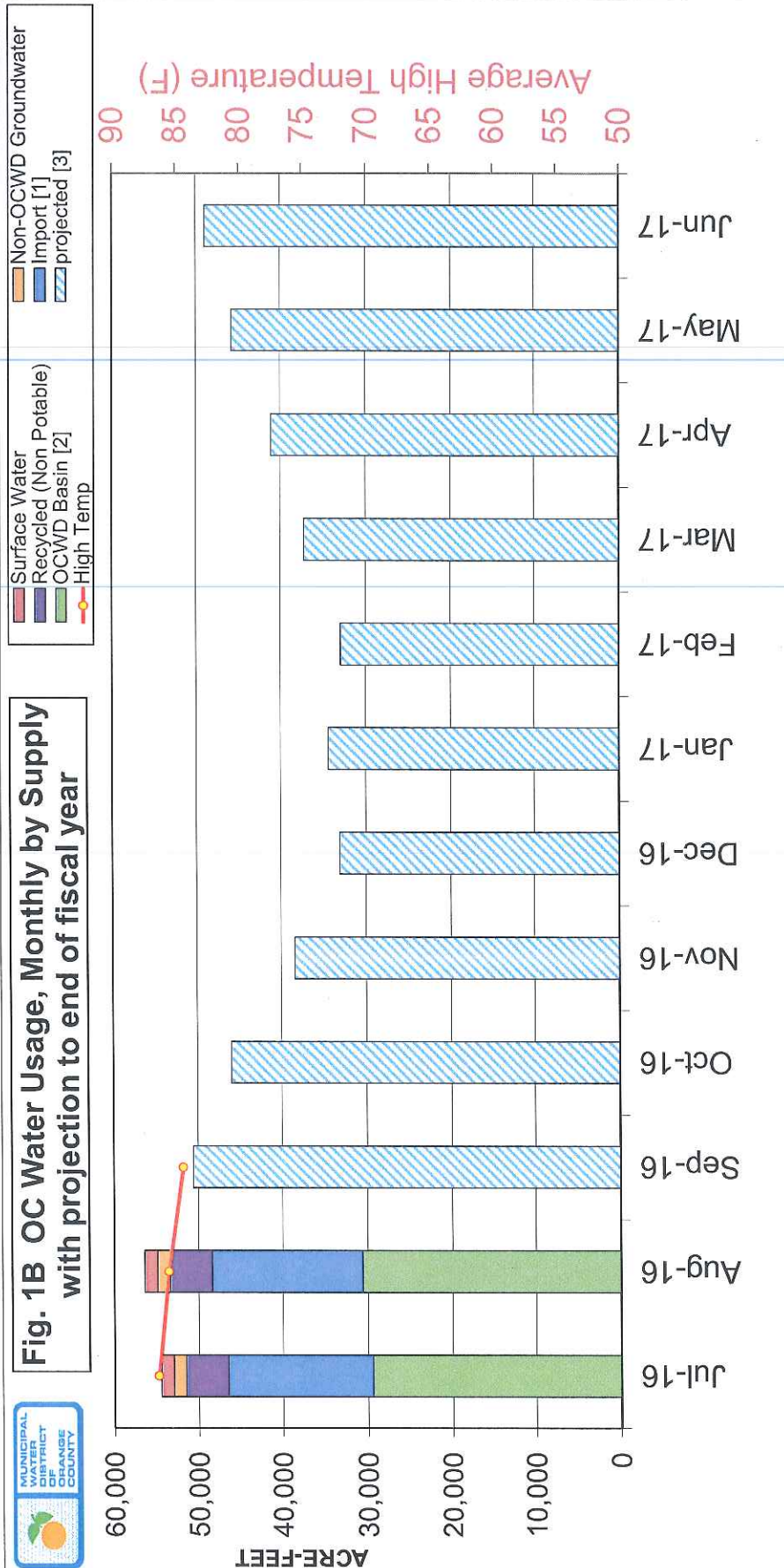
Fig. 1A OC Water Usage, Monthly by Supply
with projection to end of fiscal year



[1] Imported water for consumptive use. Includes "In-Lieu" deliveries and CUP water extraction. Excludes "Direct Replenishment" deliveries of spreading water, "Barrier Replenishment" deliveries, and deliveries into Irvine Lake.
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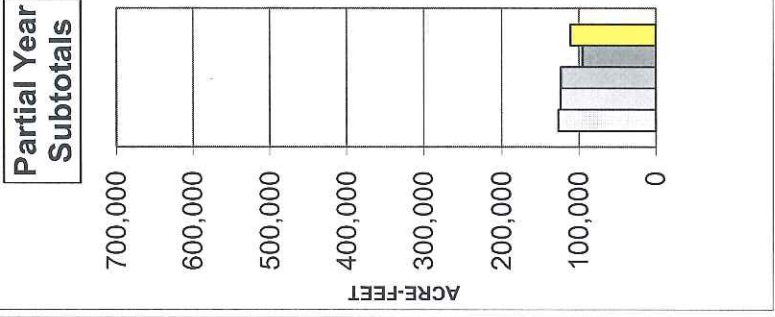
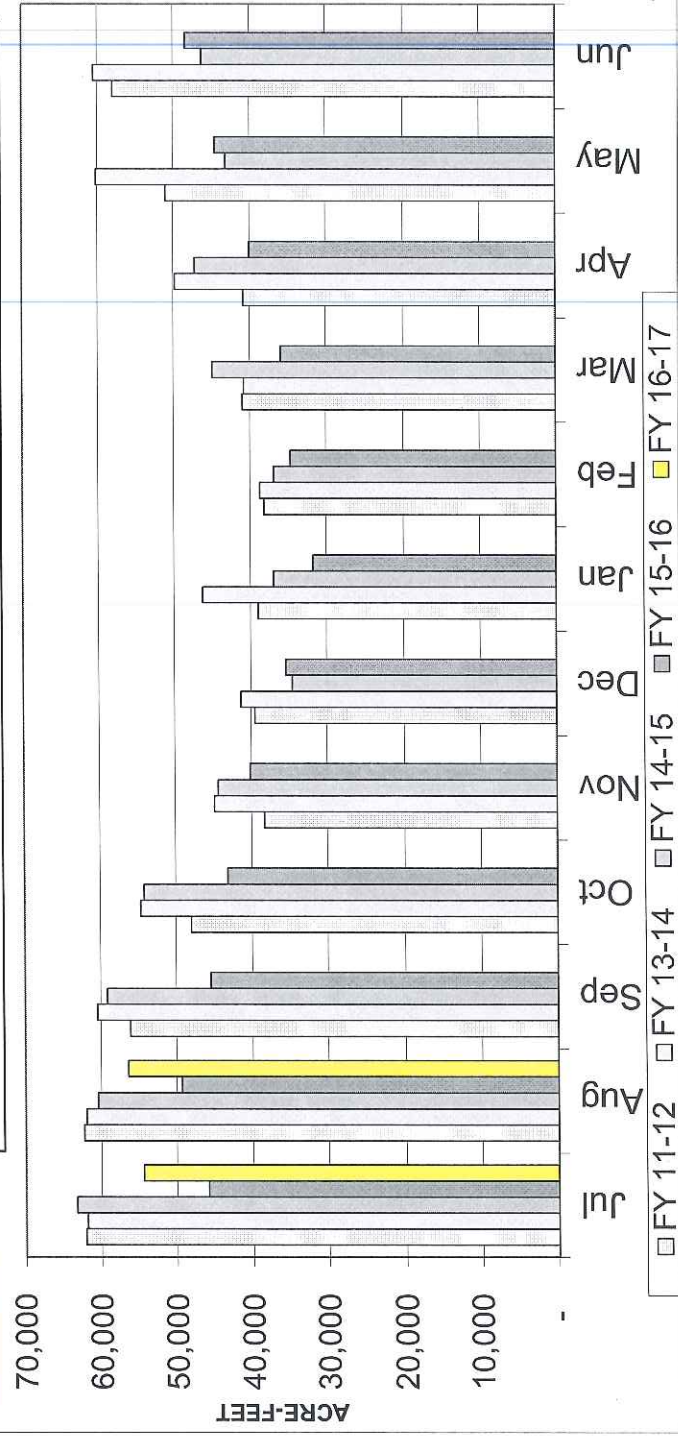
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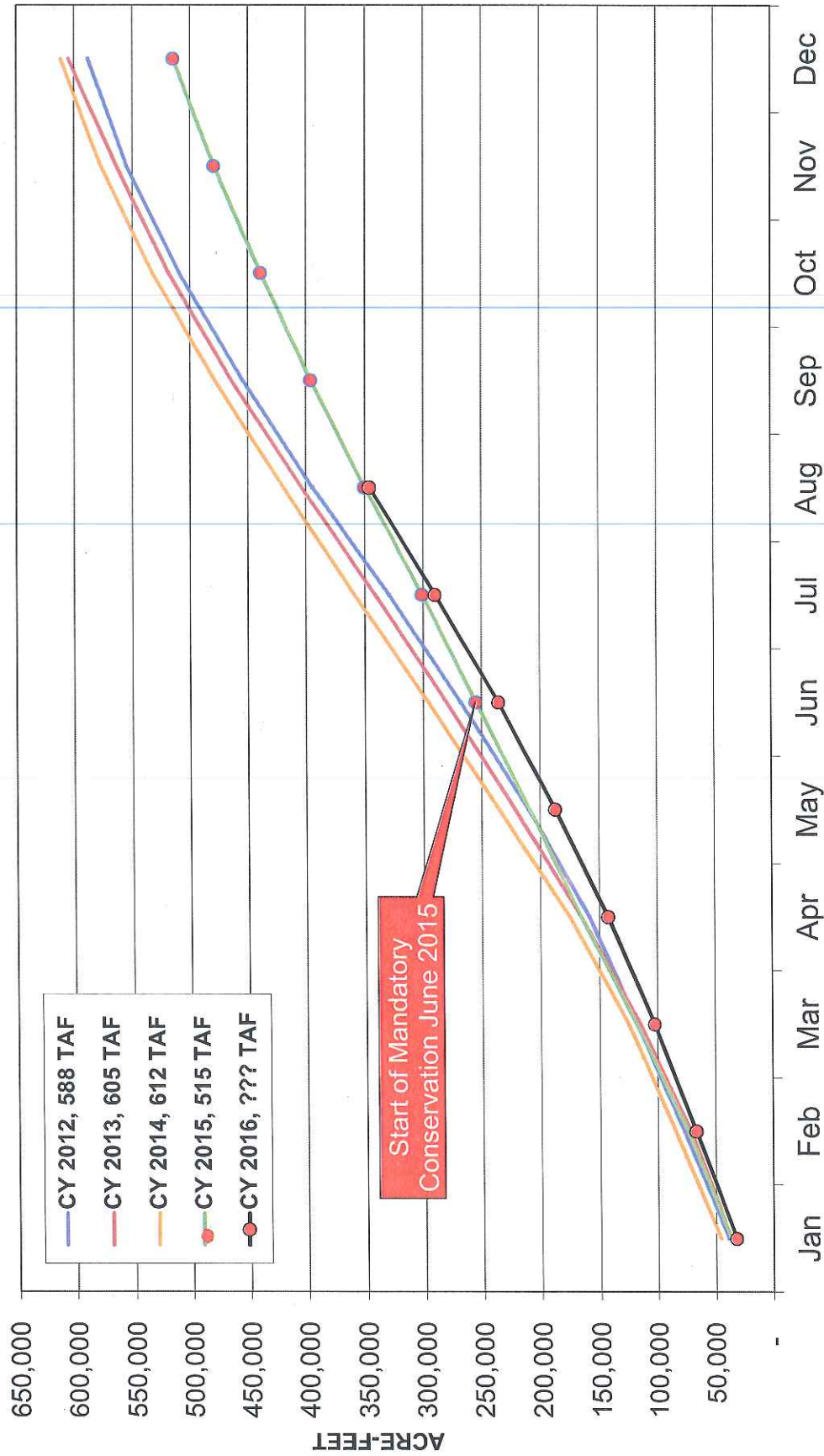
Fig. 2A OC Monthly Water Usage [1]: Comparison to Last 4 Fiscal Years



[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 from water treatment projects.) Recent months numbers include some estimation.



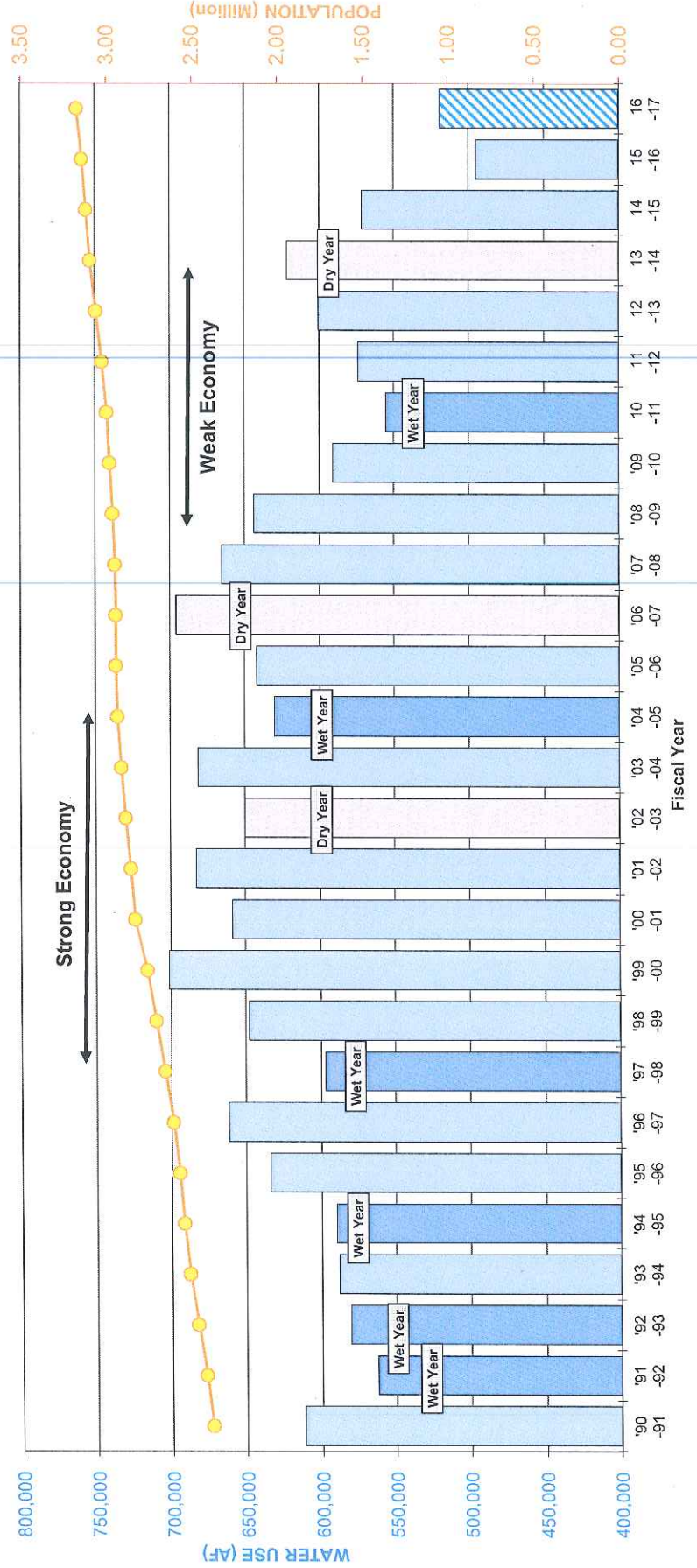
Fig. 2B Orange County Cumulative Monthly Consumptive Water Usage [1]:
 present year compared to last 4 calendar years



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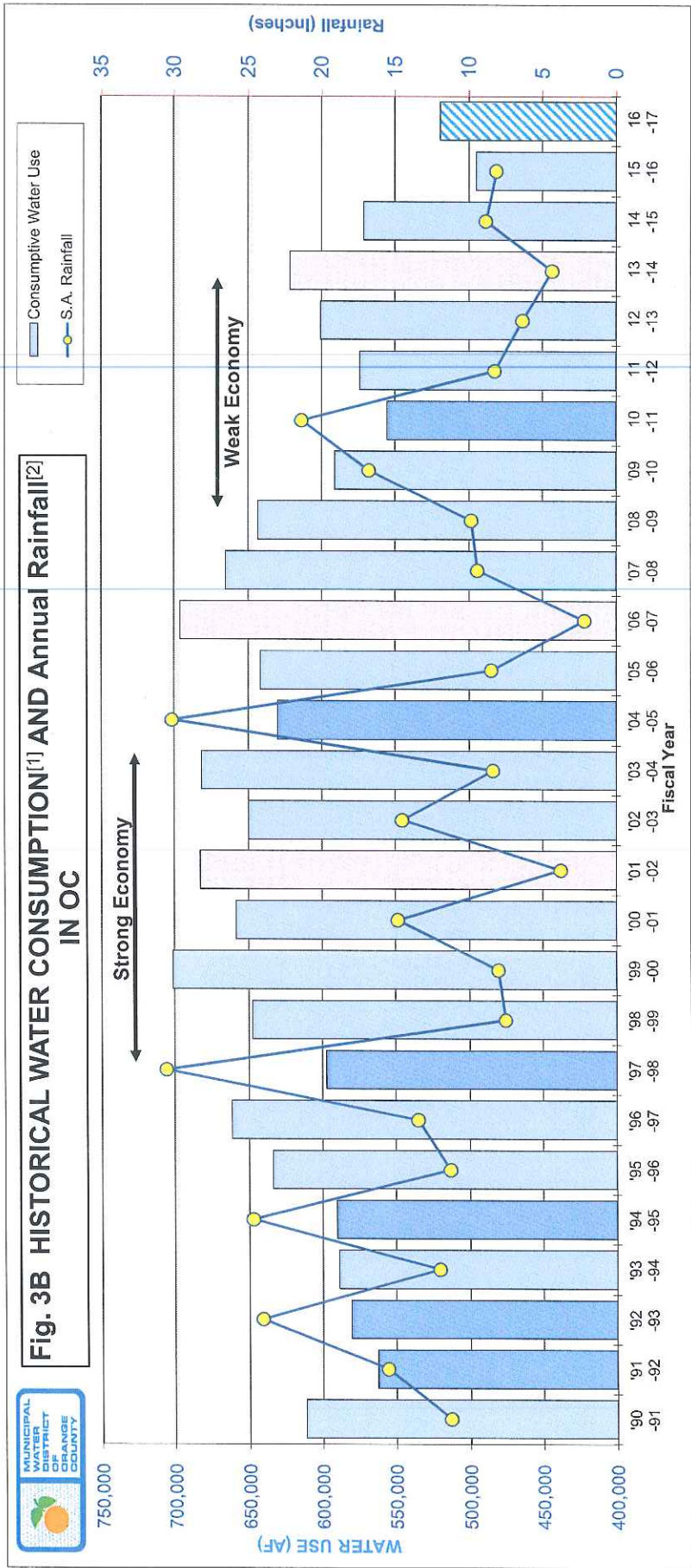
Fig. 3A HISTORICAL WATER CONSUMPTION[1] AND POPULATION[2] IN OC



[1] Consumption includes potable, recycled and non-potable usage; excludes Barrier and Spreading water. The most recent data involve some estimation.

[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.

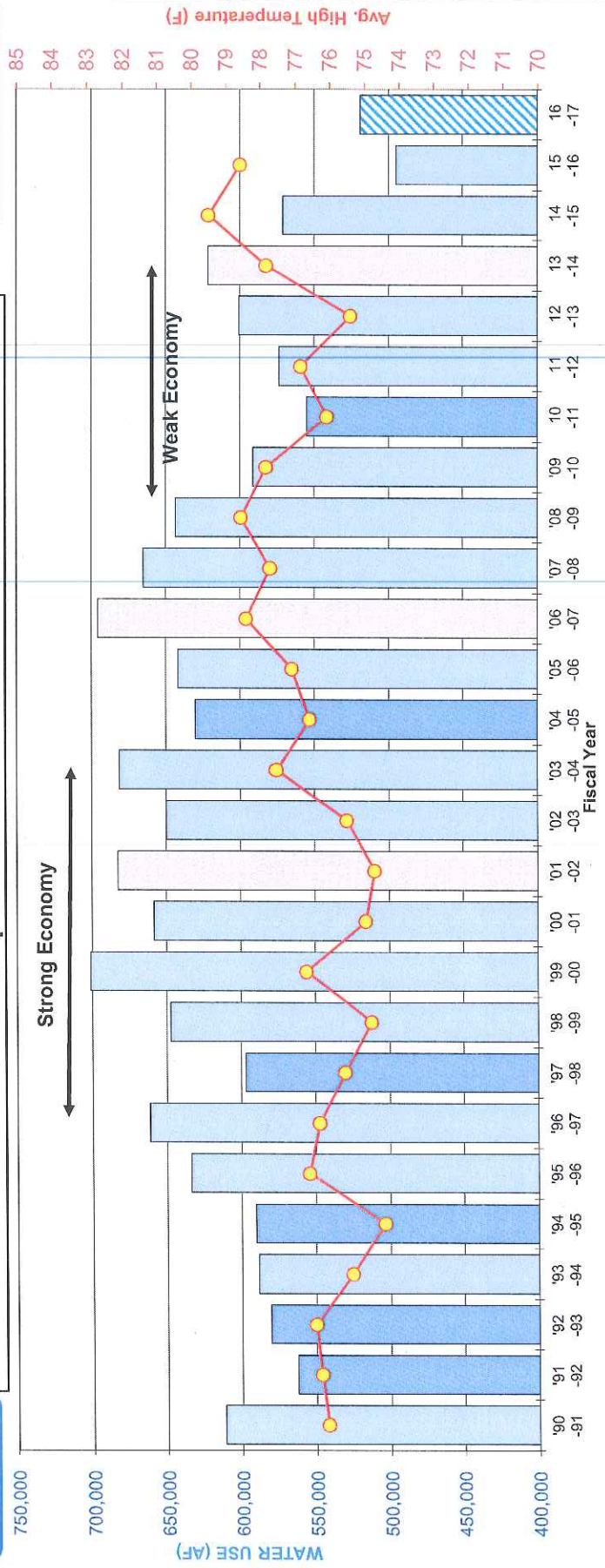


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[2] Rainfall data from Santa Ana Station #121



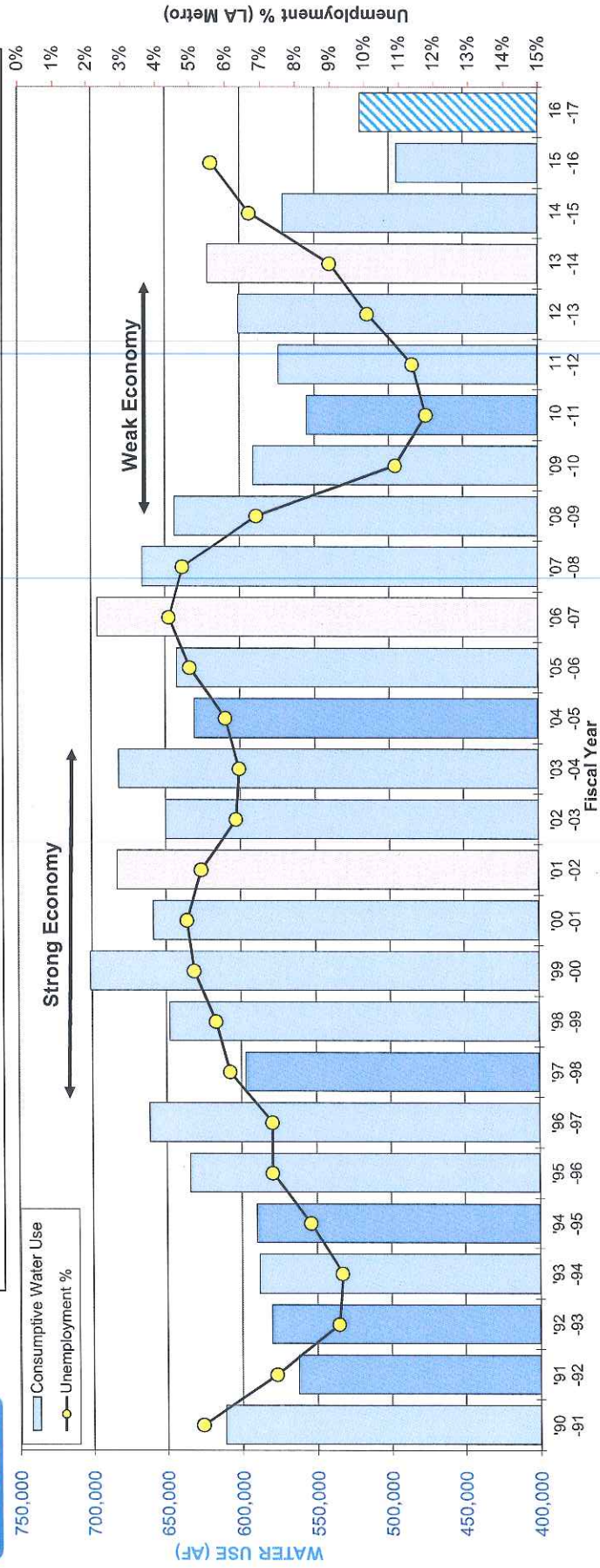
Fig. 3C HISTORICAL WATER CONSUMPTION^[1] AND Annual Average High Temperature^[2] IN OC



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 [2] Temperature data is from Santa Ana Fire Station, elevation 135'



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



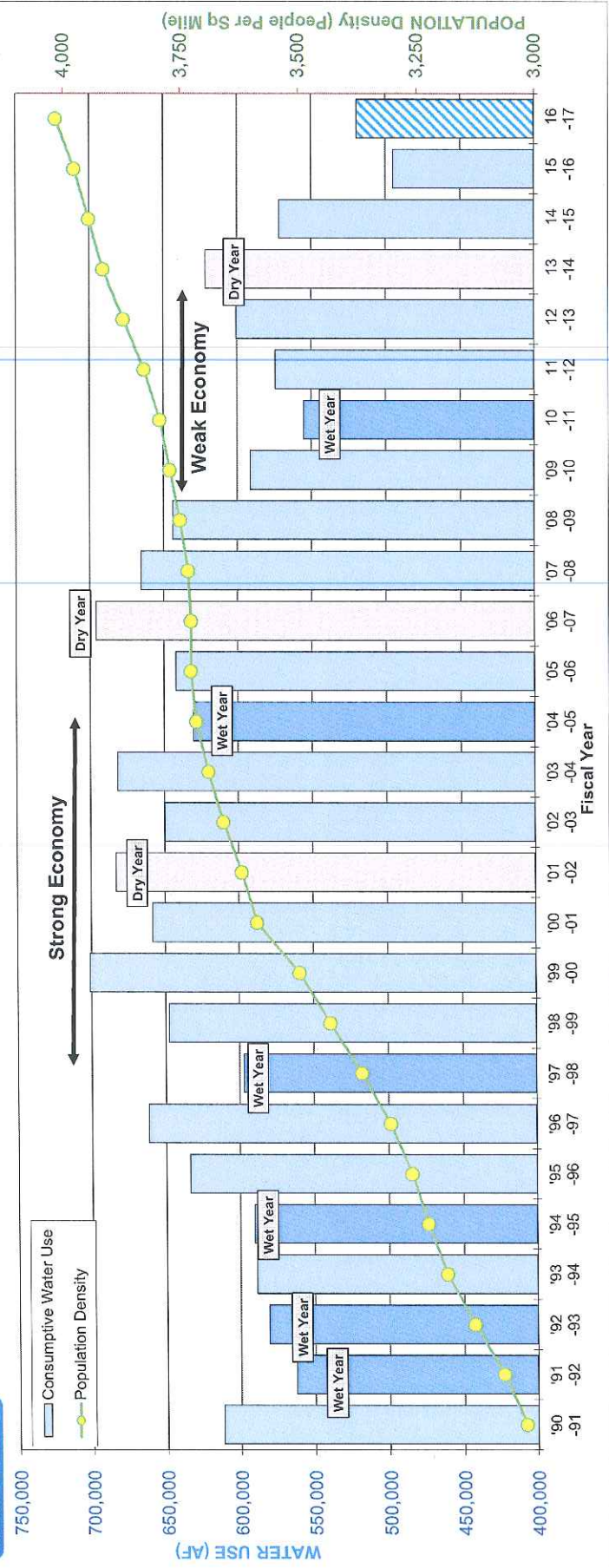
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[2] Employment Data source Bureau of Labor Statistic for Long Beach-L.A.-Santa Ana Metro Area

<http://www.bls.gov/au/>



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

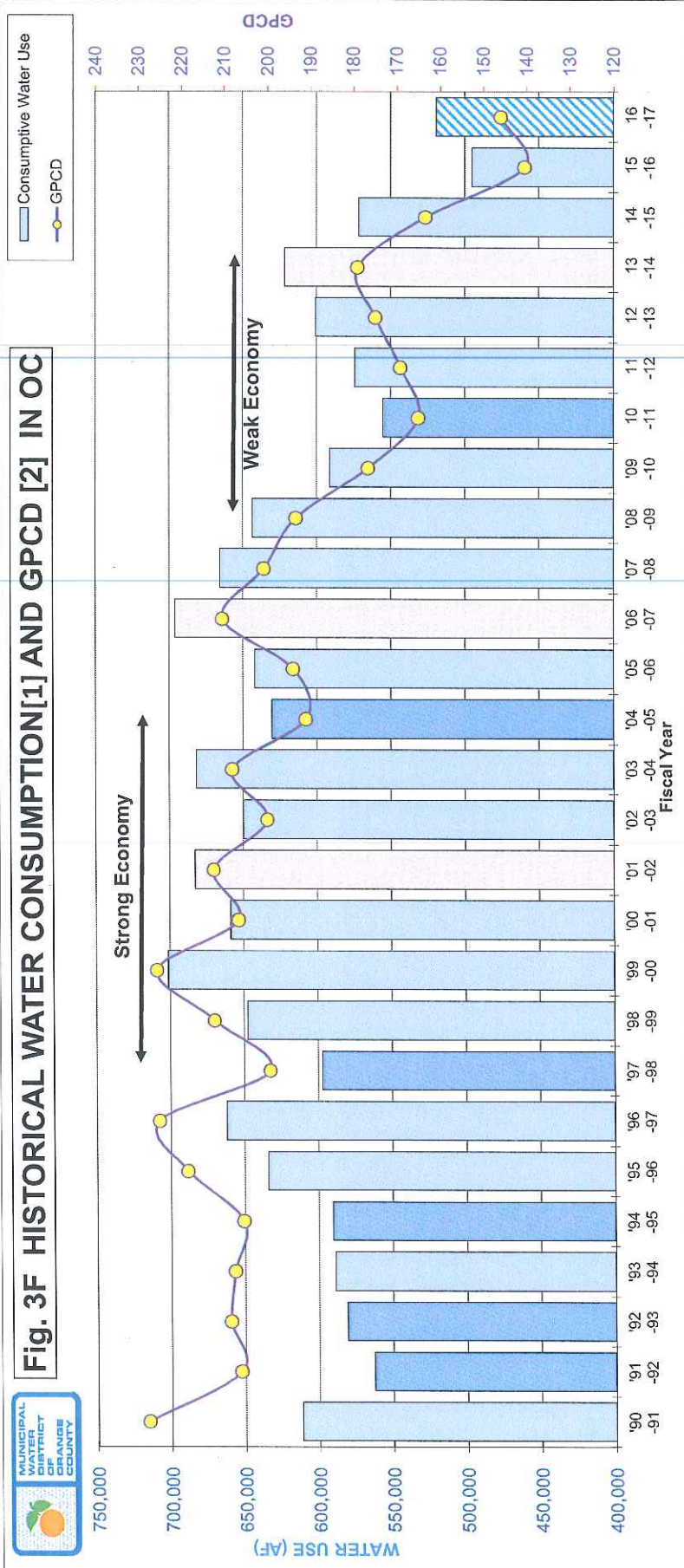


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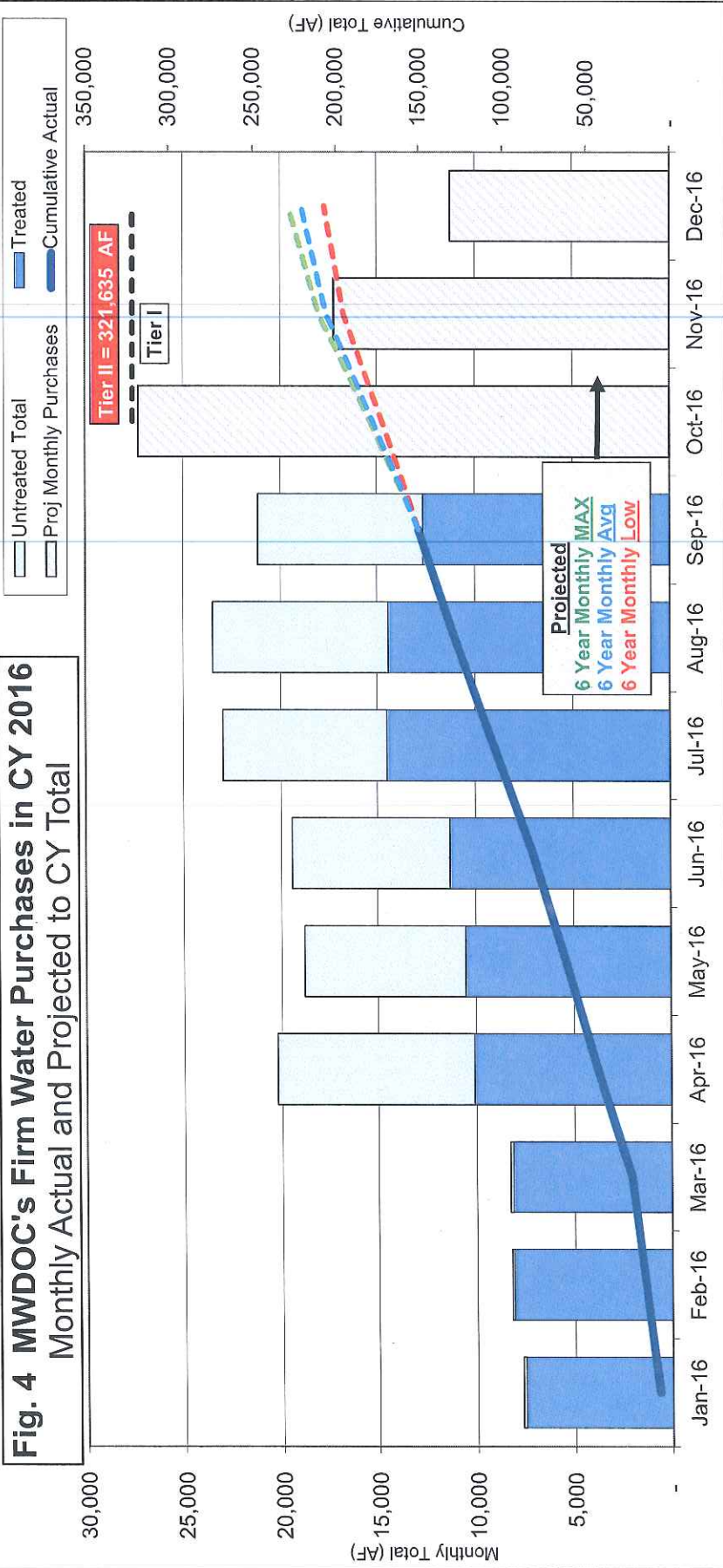


Fig. 3F HISTORICAL WATER CONSUMPTION[1] AND GPCD [2] IN OC



[1] Consumption includes potable, recycled and non-potable usage; excludes Barrier and Spreading water. The most recent data involve some estimation.
 [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



Notes

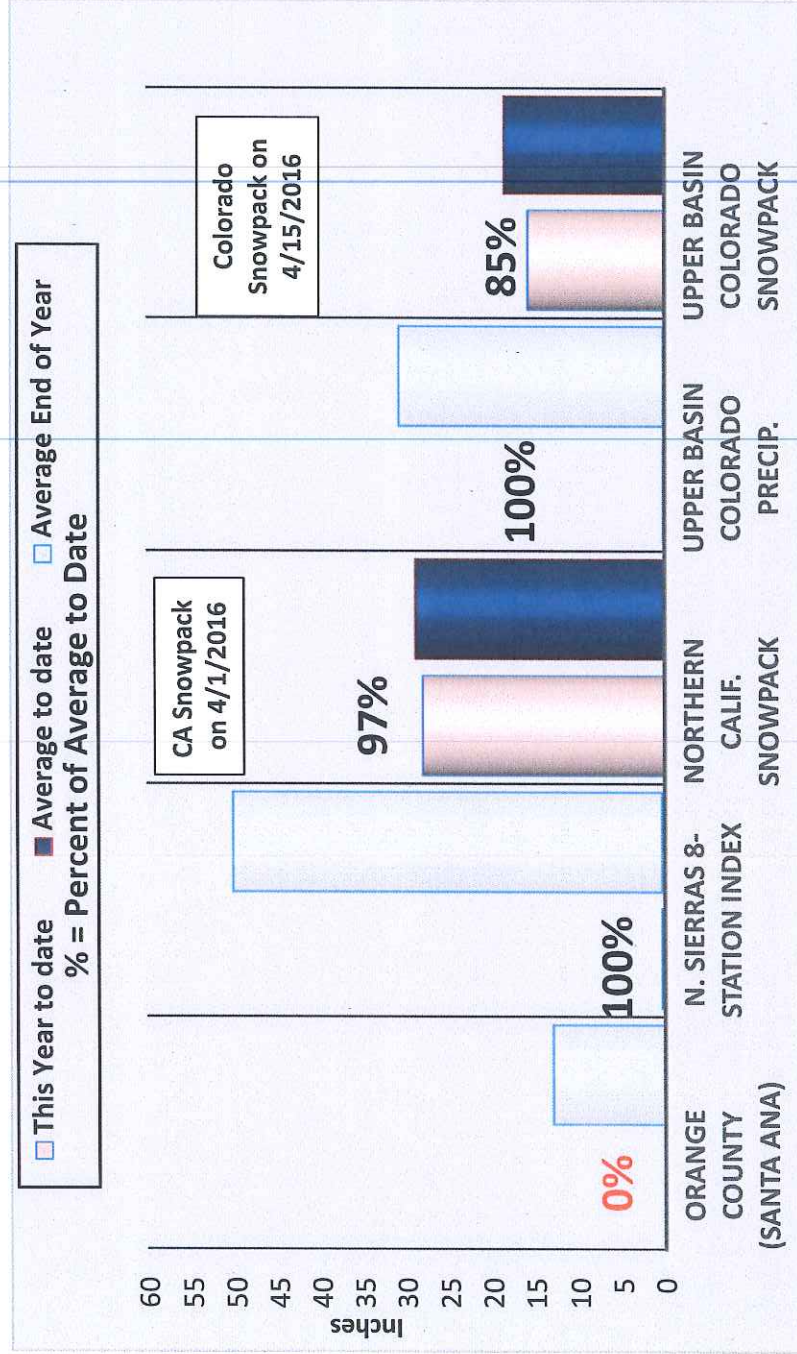
1. "Firm" includes Full Service (both Treated and Untreated) and Barrier water.
2. Basin Pumping Percentage (BPP) is the percentage of a retail water agency's total water demand that they are limited to pump from the OCWD-managed groundwater basin. BPP pertains to Basin agencies only. For example, if a Basin agency's total demand is 10,000 AF/yr and OCWD sets the BPP at 72%, then the agency is limited to 7,200 AF of groundwater that year. There may be certain exceptions and/or adjustments to that simple calculation. OCWD sets the BPP for the Basin agencies, usually as of July 1st.



prepared by the Municipal Water District of Orange County
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Accumulated Precipitation for the Oct.-Sep. water year, through Early October 2016



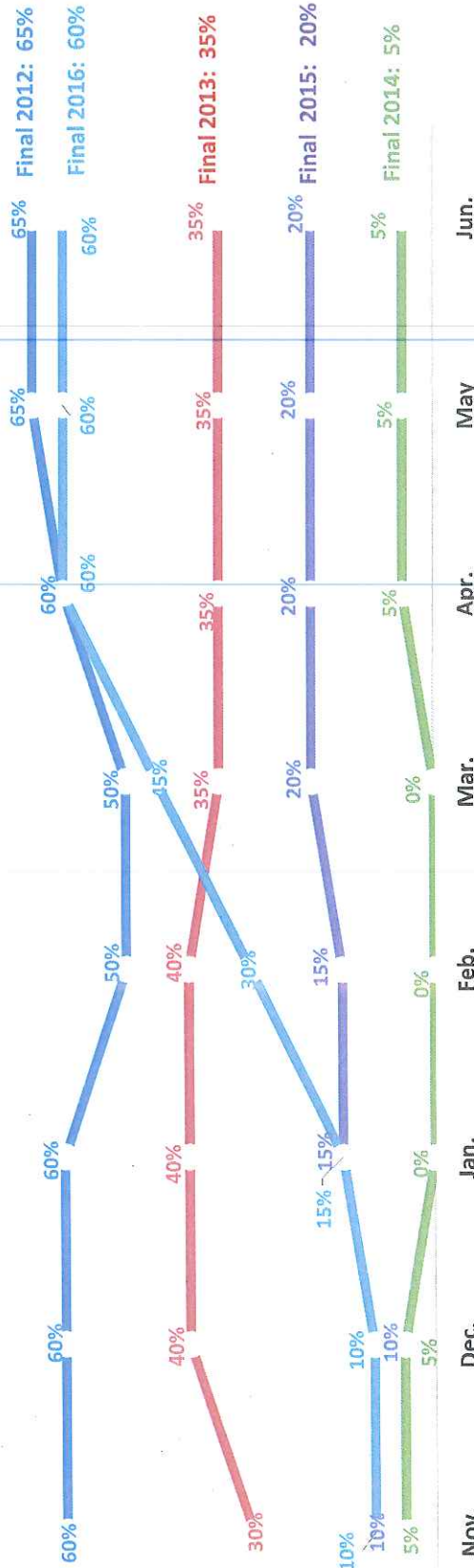
* The date of maximum snowpack accumulation (April 1st in Northern Calif., April 15th in the Upper Colorado Basin) is used for year to year comparison.





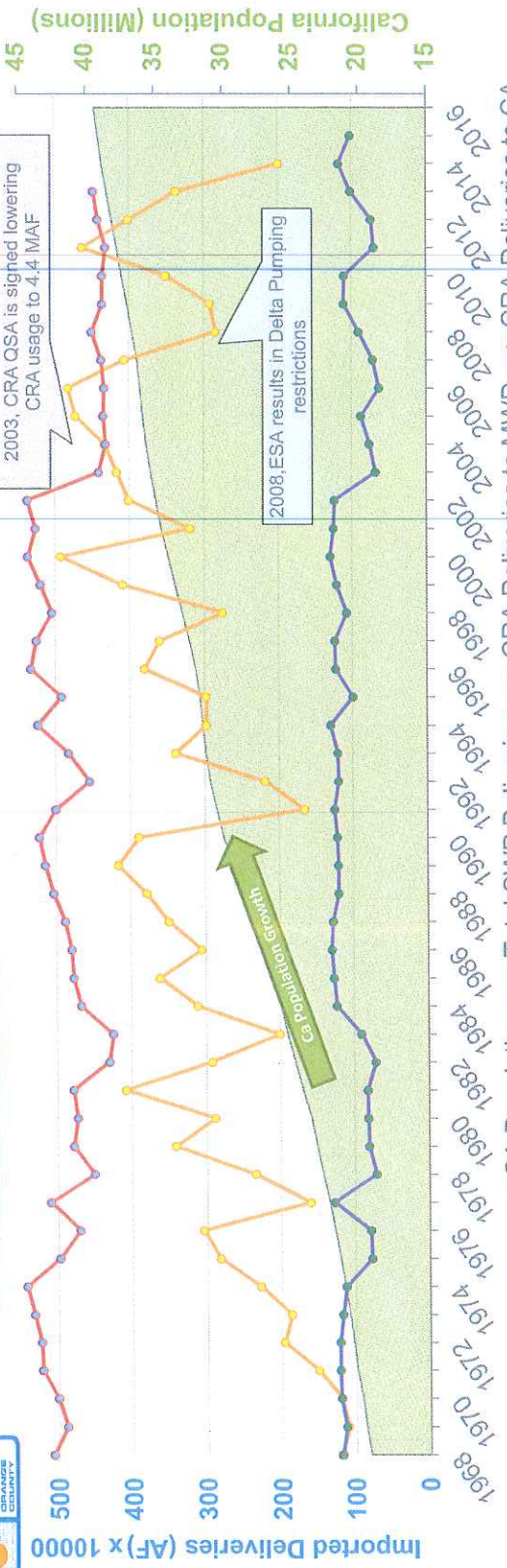
SWP TABLE A ALLOCATION

FOR STATE WATER PROJECT CONTRACTORS

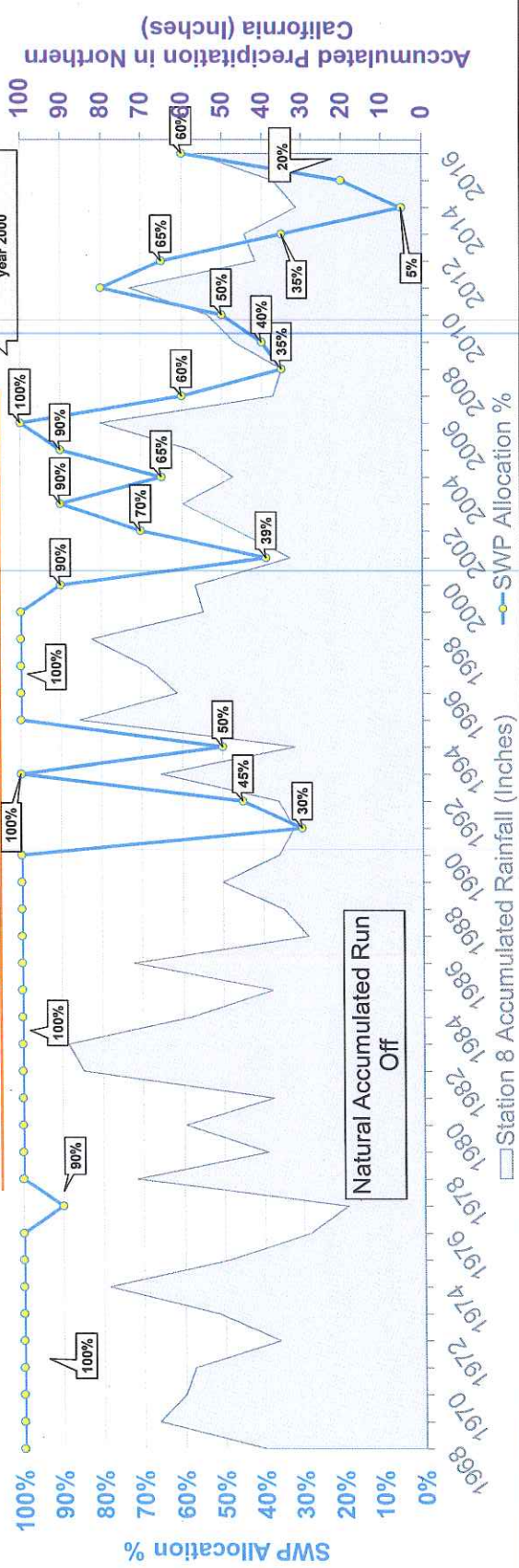


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Imported Water Deliveries Vs. California Population Growth



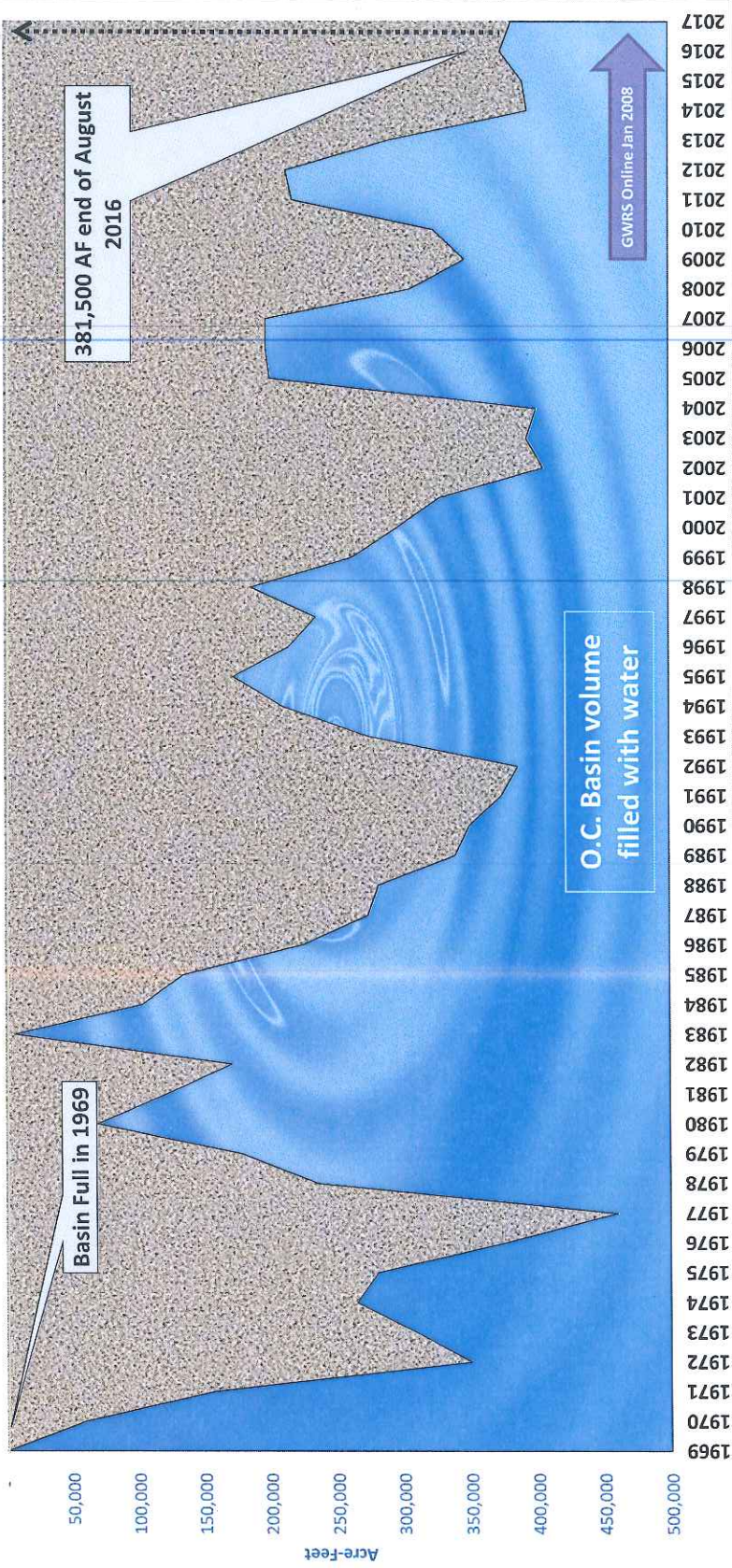
SWP Allocation % Vs. Station 8 Accumulated Rainfall





O.C. Basin Accumulated Overdraft

Annual, 1969 to Present



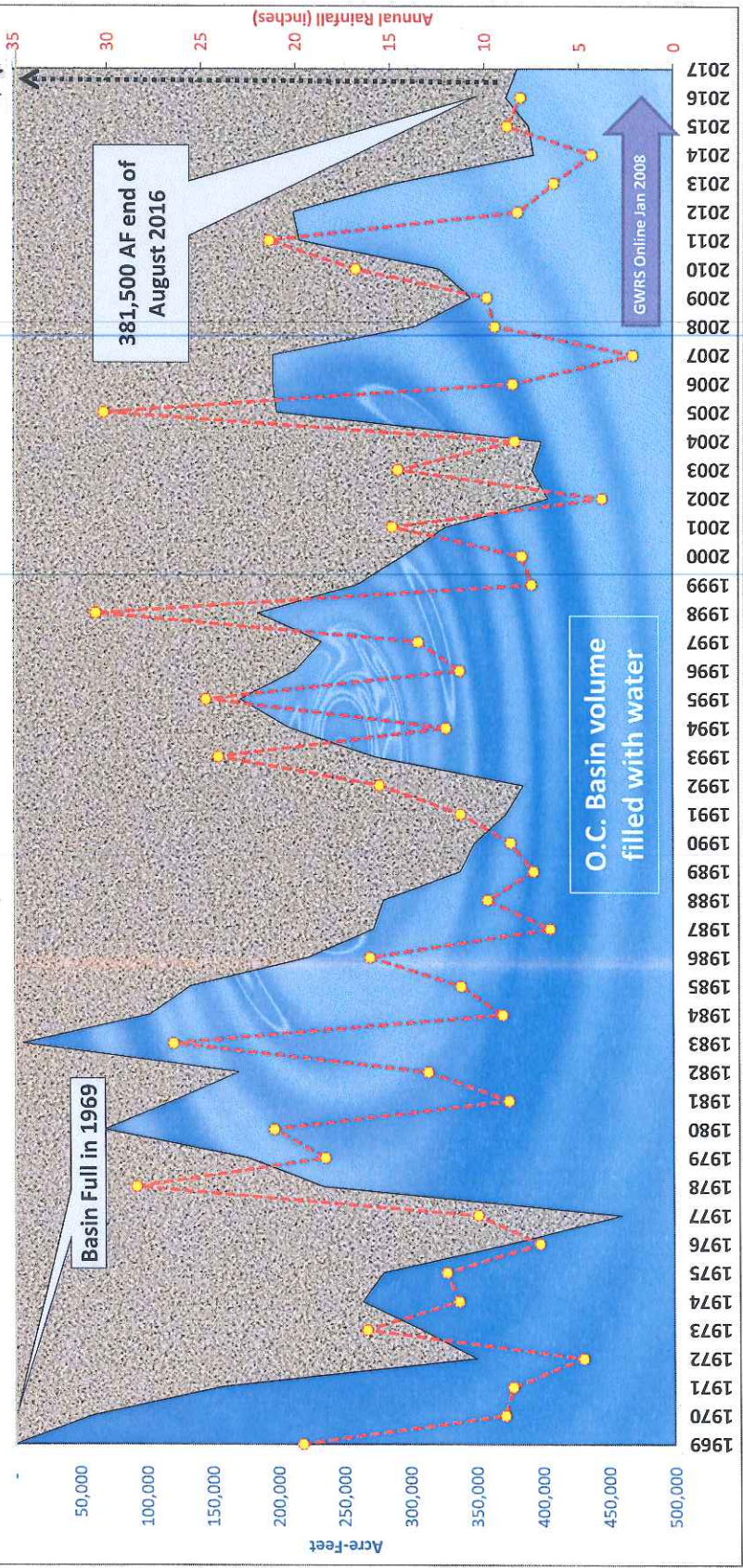
~ Accumulated Overdraft (dewatered volume) shown as white area, excluding the volume stored by Metropolitan. source: OCWD



O.C. Basin Accumulated Overdraft Vs. Annual Rainfall

Annual, 1969 to Present

- Stored Vol (AF)
- Dewatered Vol (AF)
- Annual Rainfall (Inches)

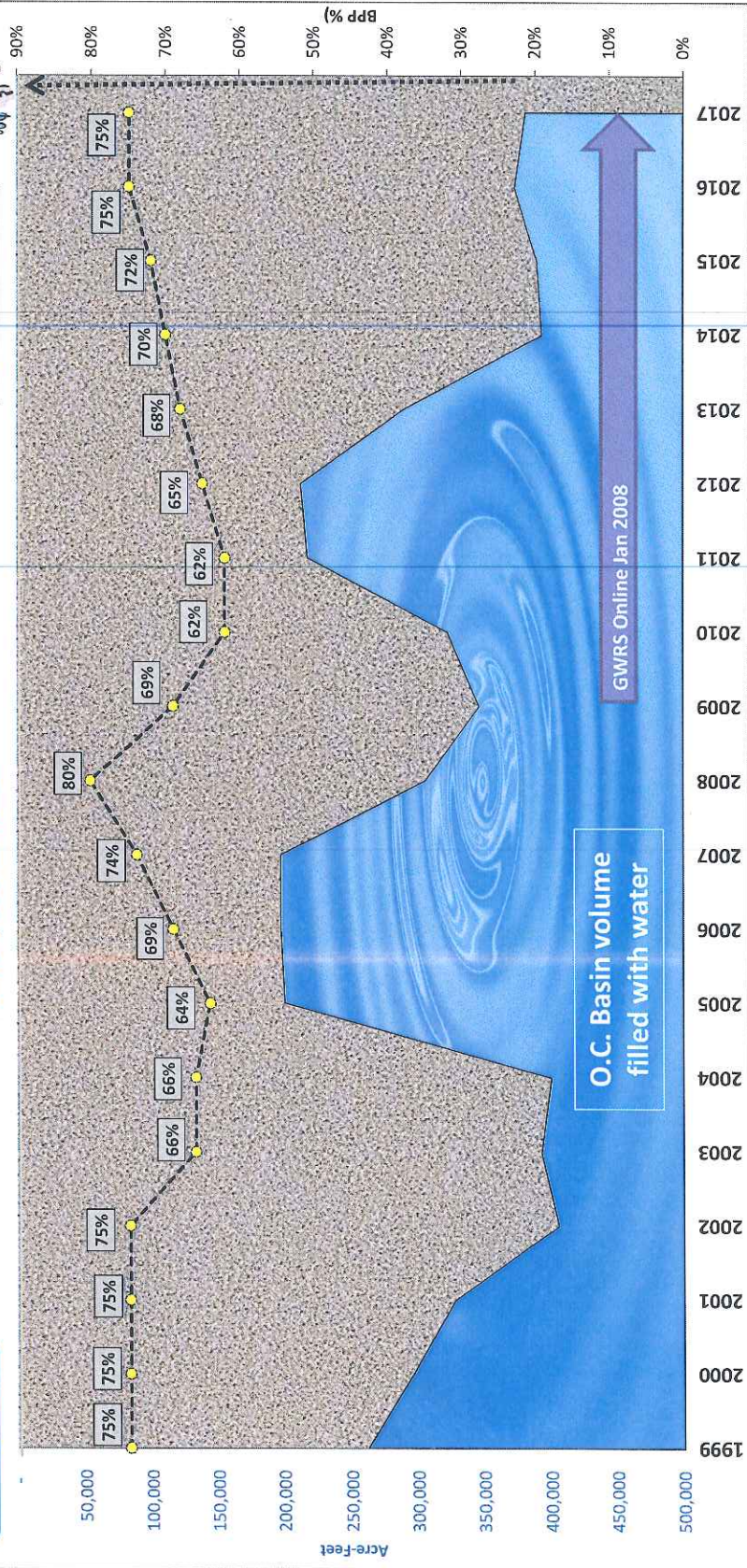


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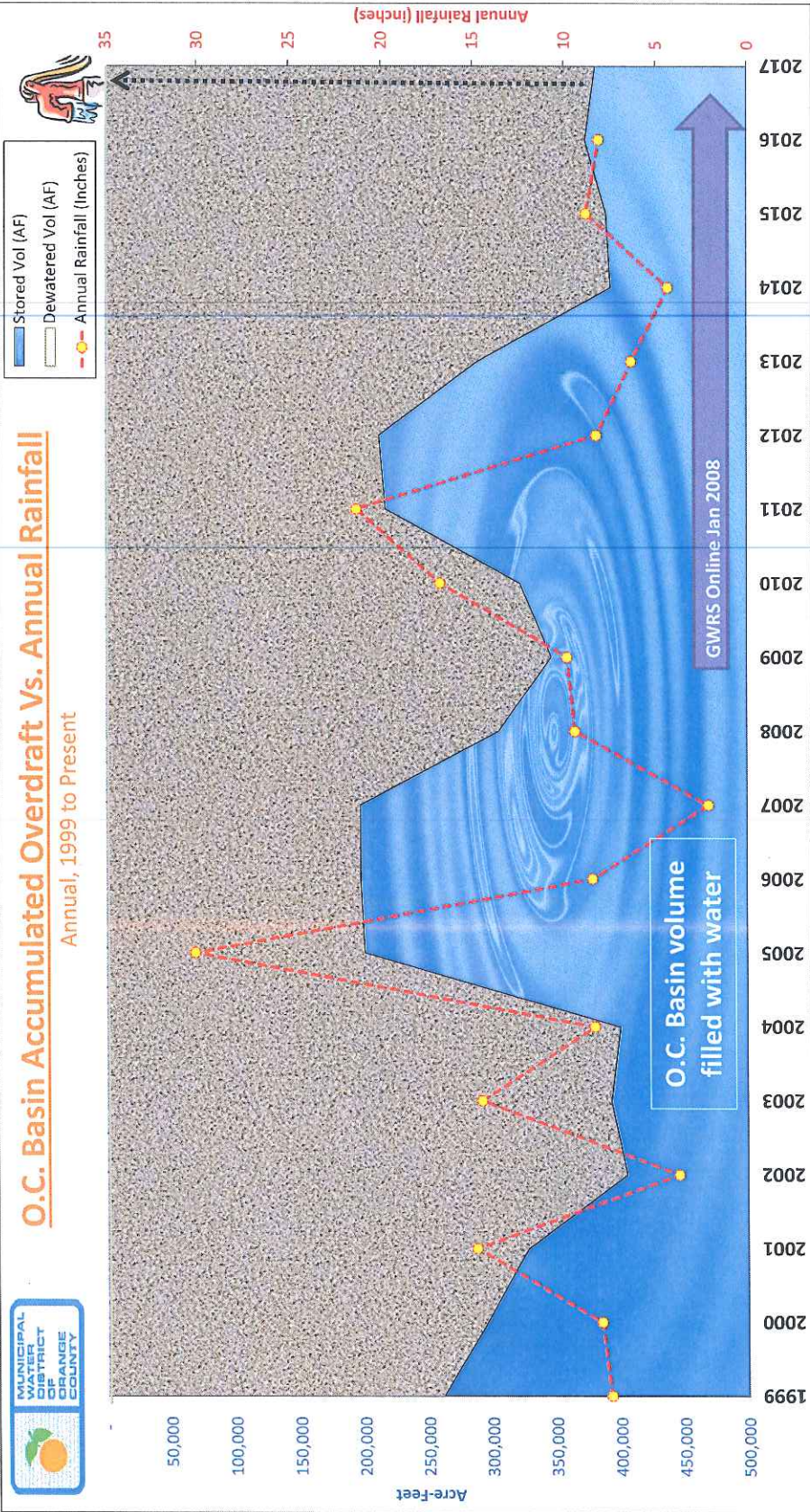


O.C. Basin Accumulated Overdraft Vs. BPP %

Annual, 1999 to Present



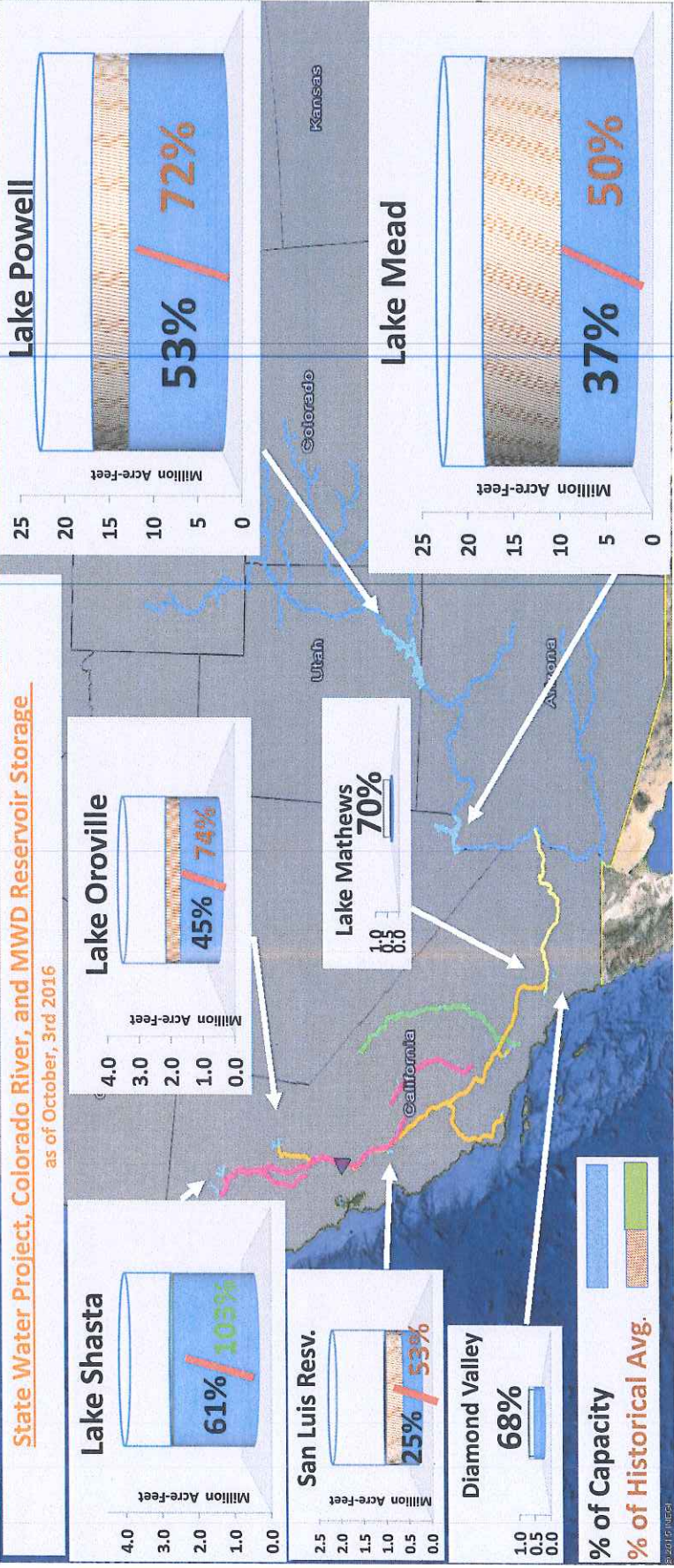
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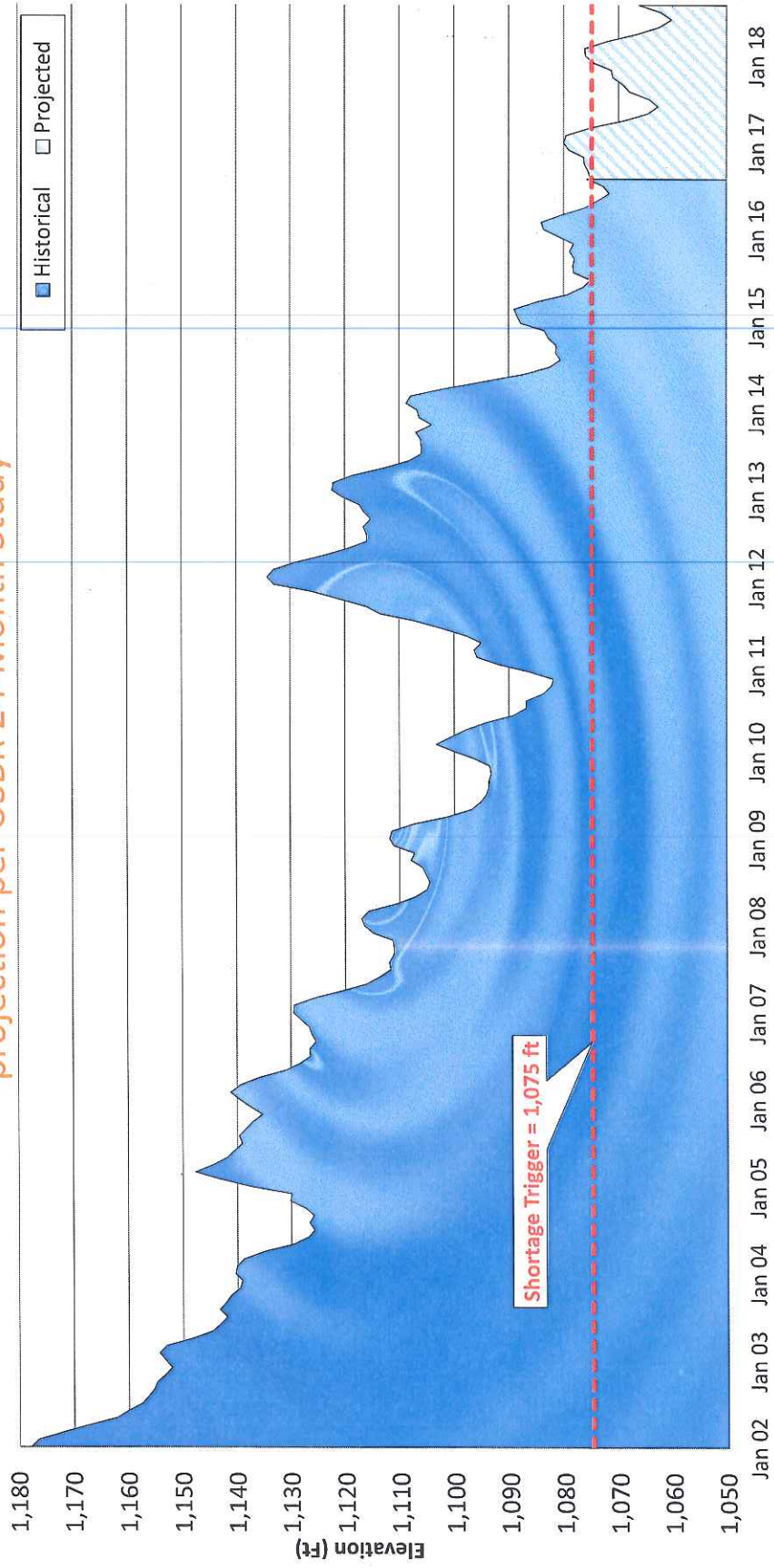
State Water Project, Colorado River, and MWD Reservoir Storage
as of October, 3rd 2016



Prepared by the Municipal Water District of Orange County
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Lake Mead Levels: Historical and Projected projection per USBR 24-Month Study



WEEKLY MEMO 10/20/16

NEWS ARTICLES

Greyhound rescue Hemopet in Garden Grove fights to stay open after receiving a \$82,000 state tax bill.

By **CHRIS HAIRE**
STAFF WRITER

GARDEN GROVE • One way California pays the bills is by taxing dog blood.

And officials at Hemopet, a Garden Grove nonprofit known as the Red Cross for canine blood, say that is financially troublesome.

Hemopet, which rescues greyhounds from racetracks and adopts them out after drawing their blood to help all sorts of dogs, owes \$82,000 in back taxes to the state. And the group estimates it is looking at an annual \$30,000 tax bill going forward.

Founded in 1986, Hemopet rescues dogs and supplies about 40 percent of the nation's canine blood. Selling the blood covers the bulk of the bills, with donations filling the gap.

Now the nonprofit has to also cover the sales tax annually, after Gov. Jerry Brown recently vetoed a bill that would have exempted it from collecting and passing along the tax when selling its blood to veterinary hospitals. The news shook Hemopet's leaders.

"Closure of Hemopet will unquestionably result in suffering and even death of thousands of animals, an inadequate supply of life-saving canine blood for veterinary patients, and harm and hardship to pet owners," Jean Dodds, the

SEE **BLOOD** • 1



PAUL RODRIGUEZ, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Ariell Benter, blood processing room assistant, grabs another bag of blood that was taken from one of the many greyhounds at Hemopet in Garden Grove.

PRICE OF BLOOD

Hemopet sells 250 milliliters of whole blood, about 8 ounces, for \$190; 120 milliliters of plasma and 1,250 milliliters of red blood cells go for \$108. In all, approximately 4,200 bags, at 125 milliliters each, are drawn each year.

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City appoints new City Clerk

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Garden Grove City Manager Scott Stiles last week announced the appointment of Teresa Pomeroy as the new City Clerk.

Pomeroy, who currently serves as Deputy City Clerk, officially begins her new position on Jan. 1, 2017, following the retirement of Kathy Bailor, on Dec. 31, 2016.

"I'm confident Terri will easily transition into her new role as City Clerk, having gained the experience of working alongside our last two City Clerks. The high degree of professionalism and work ethic she possesses will serve the city well," said Stiles.

Pomeroy is a 25-year veteran of the city, starting her career in the Public Works Department. She worked in several city departments, including finance, community services and the former Community Development Department before becoming Deputy City Clerk in 2007.

"Having served the city in many different roles over many years, I feel this is the right place and the right time for me to move forward in my career. I'm eager to serve my community as Garden Grove's seventh City Clerk," said Pomeroy.

A 34-year Garden Grove resident, Pomeroy and her husband, Bob,



Courtesy photo

Teresa Pomeroy

have three grown children. She is a member of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks and the Southern California City Clerk's Association, as well as a certified municipal clerk. She holds an Associate of Science Degree and Certificate in Business from Coastline Community College.

Garden Grove Park gets \$64,000 upgrade

New equipment installed at outdoor fitness area; City Council holds ribbon-cutting ceremony

Garden Grove Park is looking a little newer and a little more interesting these days.

Especially if you like to exercise.

In style.

On Oct. 11, the mayor and City Council, along with city officials and members of the community, attended a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new outdoor fitness equipment at Garden Grove Park, 9301 Westminster Ave.

The outdoor fitness area is just south of the Sports and Recreation Center, at 13641 Deodara Drive.

The outdoor fitness equipment has a total of 15 body mass resistant machines which includes an air walker, cross country ski, leg press and elliptical cross trainer. Several of the exercise equipment are wheelchair accessible.

Funding for the \$64,000 project was provided by Greenfield Outdoor Fitness and the Orange County Partnerships to Improve Community Health (OC-PICH), whose mission is to promote self-sufficiency by mobilizing and directing resources to programs that assist Orange County.

The new outdoor fitness equipment at Garden Grove Park is the fifth public outdoor fitness area in the city. Other locations



Locals exercise on one of the many new machines at Garden Grove Park.

include Magnolia Park, Jardin de los Niños Park in Buena Clinton and Eastgate Park.

The equipment supports the city's goal to enhance the quality-of-life in the community by

providing opportunities and amenities for recreation and physical fitness.

For more information, contact the Community Services Department at 714-741-5200.

City urges residents to buy in GG

BIGG program offers shoppers rewards for spending at local businesses

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Garden Grove shoppers have a chance to win "BiGG" money starting on the biggest shopping day of the year, Black Friday, Nov. 25 through Friday, Dec. 16.

For every \$50 spent in Garden Grove, patrons will have the opportunity to win \$500.

When customers collect \$50 in total register receipts from any Garden Grove business, including restaurants, gas stations, and grocery stores, they'll receive one raffle ticket towards a \$500 cash drawing. Receipts must be brought to the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce, at 12866 Main St., Suite 102. Raffle tickets will not be available at business establishments. There is no limit on the number of raffle tickets received.

If purchases were made from a participating Buy in Garden Grove (BiGG) business, or a Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce business member, shoppers will receive an additional raffle ticket. To find out which businesses are participating, visit www.garden-grove.org or www.gardengrovechamber.com.

The deadline to turn in receipts is 5 p.m., Dec. 16. The first 100 customers to turn in their receipts will receive a free gift.

One raffle ticket will be chosen and the winning name and raffle ticket will be posted on the city's and Chamber's websites on Dec. 19. Winner will have 30 days to claim the \$500. Participants must be at least 18 years old to win.

For the last eight years, the city has encouraged customers to support the local business economy through the Buy in Garden Grove program. Through special discounts and promotions, the city's shop local campaign has

helped keep tax dollars in the community, which is a crucial resource for providing public safety, roads, parks and other quality-of-life needs.

There is no charge to become a participating BiGG member. Businesses can sign up at www.garden-grove.org.

For more information, call the City of Garden Grove's Office of Community Relations at 714-741-5280, or the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce at 714-638-7950.

A Monster Mash!

Garden Grove seniors are invited to attend the Monster Mash Dinner Dance, sponsored by Monarch HealthCare, on Friday, Oct. 21.

The event is scheduled from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. and will be held at the Community Meeting Center, A Room, at 11300 Stanford Ave.

The cost for the event is \$10 per person. Tickets may be purchased at the Senior Center front office, at 11300 Stanford Ave.

For more information, call the H. Louis Lake Senior Center at 714-741-5253 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Fire displaces 12

The Fire Department responded to 9741 Bixby Ave. last week for an apartment fire that displaced 12 residents.

The first-arriving engine company reported fire showing from a second story window that was extending to the third floor of a three story apartment building. A total of three alarms were requested to contain the fire in 30 minutes. All residents were able to safely evacuate prior to Fire Department arrival. There was no report of injury to civilians or firefighters.

The city Building Department was on scene to determine which apartment was inhabitable. A total of three units were affected, with six adults and six children displaced.

The cause of the fire was determined to be accidental, with unattended cooking contributing to it. Damage to the structure is estimated at \$500,000 to the structure and \$150,000 to contents.

Suspect arrested

Officers were dispatched to the 11800 block of Falingleaf last week regarding a stabbing that had just occurred.

The suspect fled the scene immediately following the incident but was apprehended by patrol officers nearby shortly after.

The victim was taken to the hospital for medical treatment and is currently listed in critical but stable condition. The investigation is ongoing.

The suspect, Daniel Negrón Rivera, a 57 year old residing in Garden Grove, has been arrested for the attempted murder of a 47-year-old male. The victim's status is still critical but stable.

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Community Calendar

Ongoing

Overachievers, check this out
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 caregiv-
ers 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 Christ Cath-
edral, 12141 Lewis St. in Garden
Grove. For more information, call
Peggy Woelke at 714-634-2161.

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.

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.

Dance Center hosts social

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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THURSDAY, 7:00 P.M., NOVEMBER 3, 2016

TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP NO. PM-2016-164

A request for Tentative Parcel Map approval to subdivide an approximately 3.3-acre property into two separate parcels of approximately 1.8-acres (7180 Lampson Avenue) and 1.5-acres (12570 Industry Street). The property is improved with two freestanding industrial buildings, with each to be on its own separate parcel. The site is at 7180 Lampson Avenue and 12570 Industry Street in the M-P (Industrial Park) zone. The project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15315 – Minor Land Divisions.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-086-2016
SITE PLAN NO. SP-029-2016

A request for Conditional Use Permit and Site Plan approval to construct a 55' 4" high auto dealership electronic freeway-oriented sign, along with a Site Plan review request to deviate from the required sign design standard requirements, pursuant to PUD 110-96 (Rev. 12), for an existing automobile dealership (Simpson Chevrolet). The site is at 10150 Trask Avenue in the PUD-110-96 (Rev. 12) (Planned Unit Development) zone. This project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Section 15311 – Accessory Structures.

STREET NAME CHANGE NO. SNC-001-2016

A request to change the street name on Catherine Avenue to Dalton's Way from 9762 Catherine Avenue to 9972 Catherine Avenue. Properties affected on Catherine Avenue (APN) are: 9762 (133-121-08), 9772(133-121-09), 9792 (133-121-10), 9821 (133-122-07), 9822 (133-122-27), 9832 (133-122-26), 9842 (133-122-25), 9852 (133-122-24), 9862 (133-122-23), 9872 (133-122-22), 9891 (133-122-08), 9892 (133-122-21), 9901 (133-122-09), 9902 (133-122-20), 9911 (133-122-10), 9912 (133-122-19), 9931 (133-122-11), 9932 (133-122-18), 9941 (133-122-12), 9942 (133-122-17), 9951 (133-122-13), 9952 (133-122-16), 9971 (133-122-14), and 9972 (133-122-15). The City of Garden Grove has determined that an environmental review is not applicable to the subject street name change.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to attend said Hearing and express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposal as outlined above, on November 3, 2016. If you challenge the application in Court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing. Further information on the above may be obtained at the Planning Services Division, City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, or by telephone at (714) 741 5312.

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RECOMMENDATION OF AMENDMENT NO. A-016-2016

The Commission will consider for recommendation to the City Council of an Ordinance amending the Zoning and Subdivision Code enacting regulations for the payment of drainage facilities fees and citywide park fees for new development projects. The park fees are only applicable to new residential projects. The Ordinance further codifies more specific requirements for the dedication of parkland and/or the payment of an in-lieu fee applicable to new residential subdivisions and adds a provision to the traffic impact mitigation fee regulations allowing the fee to be adjusted pursuant to development impact fee studies. The ordinance does not set the amount of each fee. The regulations being codified by the Ordinance require that the City Council set the amount of the fees by resolution.

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Correa for Congress

As Loretta Sanchez looks to vacate her seat in the House of Representatives and move to the U.S. Senate, two Democrats, Lou Correa and Bao Nguyen, are vying to replace her in the 46th Congressional District.

We recommend Correa for possessing the necessary experience that will allow him to hit the ground running.

Correa, a former state assemblyman, is a business-friendly Democrat who offers more moderate views on many of the big issues. That is something that will serve him well in Congress, where working across the aisle is a greater requirement than in the Democrat-dominated statehouse.

He told us that the issues he is running on are the same as when he first ran for office: jobs and preserving quality education and the opportunities it provides.

"My job as a policy maker is really to get out of the way and let you do what you do best," he said of job creators.

While we have been supportive of Nguyen's time at the helm of Garden Grove, we thought the move to Congress, after only one term as the city's mayor, was premature.

Correa also has the endorsement of the outgoing Sanchez, who received our endorsement for Senate. The Editorial Board recommends Lou Correa for the 46th Congressional District.

Bock, Klopfenstein for Garden Grove council

The elections for City Council should be interesting this year in Garden Grove, which is moving to elections by district, rather than at-large, for the first time.

District 3 pits jewelry store owner Clay Bock against research scientist Thu-Ha Nguyen for a two-year term. With crime in the city up about 40 percent, public safety is a big issue for both candidates. Ms. Nguyen's lack of knowledge on the public pension issue, which plagues many cities and is particularly costly for public safety employees, coupled with endorsements from the local police and fire unions, gave us pause, however.

The candidates disagreed over the controversial topic of red light cameras. Garden Grove and Los Alamitos are the only cities in the county to continue operating the intersection cameras - down from at least nine cities a few years ago, according to a July Register report. Ms. Nguyen said that she was fine with the cameras, and that they are "there for a reason."

But Mr. Bock had a different take. "I am not sure it's effective in helping with traffic accidents," Mr. Bock told us, adding that most of the revenue collected goes to the contractor operating the cameras. And the steep fines are "outrageous" and constitute "harassment" of citizens, he said.

And though we disagree with his zeal for eradicating marijuana dispensaries, we think Clay Bock would be best-suited to improving the city's business climate and public safety while maintaining fiscal responsibility.

In District 5, marketing consultant Stephanie Klopfenstein and home health nurse Demian Garcia-Monroy vie for a full four-year term on the council. As with the District 3 candidates, crime is the dominant issue. Both candidates also said they thought city staff were overworked.

While both candidates possess a wealth of experience and strong character, we believe Stephanie Klopfenstein, who has been endorsed by Councilman Chris Phan to fill his seat and currently serves on the Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission, is better equipped to address the city's \$4 million deficit, encourage economic development and tackle complicated issues such as public safety and homelessness without raising taxes. If elected, we urge her to reconsider her support for the red light cameras, however.

The Editorial Board recommends votes for Clay Bock in District 3 and Stephanie Klopfenstein in District 5 on Nov. 8.

A TAXING DILEMMA

By **CHRIS HAIRE**
STAFF WRITER

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Founded in 1986, Hemopet rescues dogs and supplies

SEE TAXES •



LEONARD ORTIZ, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A sign Oct. 4 at the Hemopet greyhound shelter advertises that the dogs are available for adoption.



PAUL RODRIGUEZ, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

After obtaining blood for donation from Kansas, a rescued greyhound, Carmen Flores and James Sosa bandage his neck on Wednesday at Hemopet. Hemopet supplies about 40 percent of the nation's canine blood.

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Garden Grove man gets 14 years in murder over drugs

By SEAN EMERY
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SANTA ANA • A Garden Grove man was sentenced Friday to 14 years to life in prison for shooting one person to death and injuring two others as payback for being ripped off in a drug deal.

A jury convicted Dustin Sean Ross McDonald, 25, of felony murder and two counts of attempted murder for the 2014 killing of 23-year-old Aaron Chavez and the wounding of Chavez's girlfriend, Ashlee Caldwell, and her friend Ingrid Gonzalez.



McDonald

Prosecutors alleged that McDonald, a drug addict, became enraged after Chavez and Caldwell sold him a "bad bag of dope." Believing he had been cheated, McDonald set up another meet with the couple, where prosecutors said he planned to shoot them as payback.

On Aug. 12, 2014, McDonald met Chavez and Caldwell, who had brought Gonzalez along, near 12th and Main streets in Santa Ana. Prosecutors believe that McDonald walked up to the front passenger side window of the vehicle the man and two women were sitting in and opened fire.

Chavez was struck once in the face by the gunfire. Caldwell was hit four times and Gonzalez suffered three bullet wounds. A gun matching the bullets and shell casings used was found at McDonald's home.

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Uzi, pistol found; 3 felons arrested

By LAUREN WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Three felons were arrested after police conducting a traffic stop in Fullerton found an Uzi automatic assault rifle and Colt revolver, police said Saturday.

About 9:30 p.m. Friday officers pulled over a vehicle near the 57 freeway

and Orangethorpe Avenue, said Fullerton police Lt. Mike Chlebowski.

During the course of their investigation, police found the automatic weapon and revolver and arrested three people, a man and two women. All three suspects are residents of Garden Grove, Chlebowski said.

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Police cars: The City Council this week approved the purchase of eight new police patrol cars from Wondries Fleet Group. The vehicles cost \$30,129 each, for a total \$241,031. The city is banking off Los Angeles County's public bidding program.
Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
chaire@scng.com

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Night construction: Traffic on Knott Street will be down to one lane at the intersections of Garden Grove Boulevard, Acacia Avenue and Lampson Avenue from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. this week as construction crews work on improving the road. All lanes should reopen by 6 a.m. each day.
Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
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GARDEN GROVE

Drug take-back: The Police Department is once again partnering with the federal Drug Enforcement Administration to host a drug take-back day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 22 at the department's headquarters, 11301 Acacia Parkway. During the event, people can anonymously dispose of expired, unused and unwanted pills.
Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
chaire@scng.com

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GARDEN GROVE

Health equipment: The City Council and residents recently dedicated new outdoor fitness equipment at Garden Grove Park, 9301 Westminster Ave. The \$64,000 project brought 15 body-mass resistant machines to the park that work out different muscles. Garden Grove Park is the fifth in the city to get fitness equipment.
Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
chaire@scng.com

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Shopping incentive: The Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce is planning to again hold its drawing to win \$500 for shopping in the city. Customers who submit to the chamber offices \$50 in total register receipts from Garden Grove businesses from Nov. 25 to Dec. 16 will receive a raffle ticket for the cash drawing.
Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
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Halloween fun: The H. Louis Lake Senior Center, 11300 Stanford Ave., will host a Halloween party from 10 a.m. to noon Oct. 31 in its dining room. Seniors can participate in a costume contest. The categories are scariest, funniest, most original and best couple. Lunch will be served for a suggested \$3 donation. Information: 714-741-5253
Chris Haire, 714-796-6979
chaire@scng.com

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Oct. 20, 2016

Community Calendar

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Purchasing Agent for the City of Garden Grove, Room 220, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, CA 92842 Provide all labor, materials and equipment for Internet Service for the City of Garden Grove. A copy of the RFP document may be obtained from the City of Garden Grove's website by registering as a vendor. Questions can be directed in writing to Sandy Segawa at sandras@ci.garden-grove.ca.us. Proposals are due in the office of the Purchasing Agent no later than 4:00 p.m., local time, on Monday, November 7, 2016. Proposals received after that exact time will not be considered.

Dated: October 7, 2016

Sandy Segawa, C.P.M., CPPB
 Purchasing Agent
 City of Garden Grove
 11222 Acacia Parkway
 Garden Grove, CA 92840
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892-1520 or 714-343-7516.

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 Thursday except during Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's holiday weeks. For more information, call Barbara Barrientas at 714-971-4123, e-mail bbarrientas@crystalcathedral.org or visit www.orgsites.com/ca/achievers9331.

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 caregivers and family members of individuals 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 Cathedral Arboretum, 12141 Lewis St. in Garden Grove. For more information, call Peggy Woelke at 714-634-2161.

Chamber holds Friday meetings The Garden Grove Chamber's Governmental Affairs Committee 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.

Dance Center hosts social Join the staff of the Cedarbrook Dance Center for nights of square dancing, line dancing, round dancing (pre-choreographed 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.

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

Eco-friendly storytime see **CALENDAR, next page**

CALENDAR:

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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 encouraged to attend at 7 p.m. every 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 begins at 6 p.m. Call 714-892-7267.

ORDINANCE NO. 2873

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE ADDING CHAPTER 8.61 TO THE GARDEN GROVE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO FALSE FIRE ALARMS

City Attorney Summary

This Ordinance establishes standards and controls, including a fee, to reduce the number of false fire alarms to conserve resources and ensure that fire safety services are available in cases of genuine emergencies.

The foregoing Ordinance was passed by the City Council of the City of Garden Grove on the 11th day of October 2016.

ATTEST: /s/ BAO NGUYEN
 MAYOR
 /s/ TERESA POMEROY, CMC _____
 DEPUTY CITY CLERK

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

I, TERESA POMEROY, Deputy City Clerk of the City of Garden Grove, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced for first reading and passed to second reading on September 27, 2016, with a vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (5)
 BEARD, BUI, JONES, PHAN, NGUYEN
 NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (0) NONE
 ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (0) NONE

and was passed on October 11, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (5)
 BEARD, BUI, JONES, PHAN, NGUYEN
 NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (0) NONE
 ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (0) NONE

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC
 CITY CLERK
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Blood drive

The City of Garden Grove is hosting a community blood drive at the Community Meeting Center, A Room, at 11300 Stanford Ave. on Oct. 20, from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

All donors will receive a complimentary admission to Madame Tussauds Hollywood.

Donors must be at least 17 years old and weigh at least 110 pounds. Photo ID is required.

Sign up online at www.redcrossblood.org or contact Valerie Allaeddini at 714-697-9848. Sponsor code: cityofgg.

Sensational students

Do you know of a student who's done, or doing, something sensational? Send a picture, in JPEG form, with the name of the student and information about his or her outstanding work – whether it be as a scholar, an athlete, a volunteer, whatever – to brhoades@localnewspapers.org and editor@localnewspapers.org.

Stopping bullying

Ten schools in Garden Grove Unified School District are participating in a pilot program to combat bullying and cyberbullying with the help of WeTip, a national anonymous crime and incident reporting hotline.

Gilbert, Hazard, Hill and Zeyen elementary schools, along with Bell, Irvine and Jordan intermediate schools, will join La Quinta, Pacifica and Santiago high schools as the first schools in the district to promote the WeTip service.

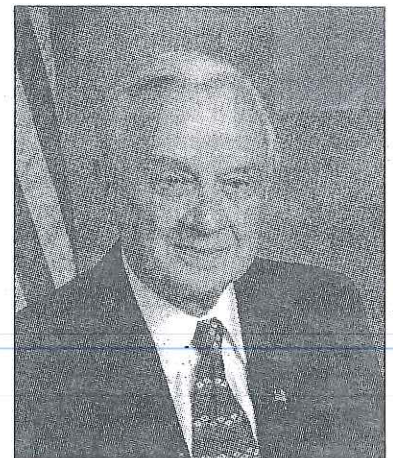
WeTip prides itself on being "the only totally anonymous crime hotline in the nation," and will provide schools with materials and training. The hotline, 1-800-782-7463, is open and available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. WeTip's hotline is a solution for students and community members to take an active role in maintaining safe schools.

"We are excited about this pilot program because it gives our staff and students one more tool in their toolbox to keep our schools safe," said Teri Rocco, vice president of the district Board of Education. "Since the hotline is totally anonymous, WeTip helps remove fears about coming forward with information and reinforces the motto 'if you see something, say something.'"



File photos

Missy Mendoza or
Carrienne Anaba?



Al Ethans or
Don Knotts?

Some folks don't need masks for Halloween

Those with celebrity lookalikes have it made

By Tony Cheong

So... What are you going to dress up as for Halloween?

I'm guessing we will see a lot of Donald Trumps, Hillary Clintons, Angelina Jolies, Brad Pitts and a whole bunch of creepy clowns.

Some people are lucky; they don't have to wear costumes, or masks.

I'm no dead ringer for anyone, but my lifelong partner in crime tells me my mannerisms at home resemble those of Carrie Hefferman on the TV show "The King of Queens." The stomping around the house, the rants, the New York City accent, The Look. But that doesn't quite translate into a Halloween costume.

However, I've compiled a list of local people who can skip the costumes and the masks, because they can pass themselves off as certain celebrities:

- Al Krippner, a member of the Midway City Sanitation District: Tommy Lasorda;
- Missy Mendoza, former Miss Garden Grove who now works at City Hall: a much younger version of Carrienne Anaba

from the TV show "Dancing with the Stars";

- Rigoberto "Rigo" Ramirez, Stanton city councilman: Ray Romano from the TV show "Everyone Loves Raymond." Just shave off the goatee and you're good to go, Rigo;
- Margie Rice, Westminster city councilwoman: former and late Texas governor Ann Richards. And a little like Dolly Parton, don't you think?;
- Bruce Broadwater, former Garden Grove Mayor: detective Tom Lange from the O.J. Simpson trial. Remember him?;
- Al Ethans, Stanton city councilman: Don Knotts from the 1980s TV show "Three's Company." Al, still keep in touch with Chrissy?;
- Assemblywoman Ling Ling Chang, candidate for State Senate (District 29): Any very pretty high school junior wearing bangs. Take that as a compliment, Mrs. Chang... Readers: any other doppelgängers come to mind?

Do you have a question, comment or news tip for Tony? Send to tonyontown@yahoo.com.

GG police urge locals to dispose of outdated pills

Take Back Day is planned for Oct. 22

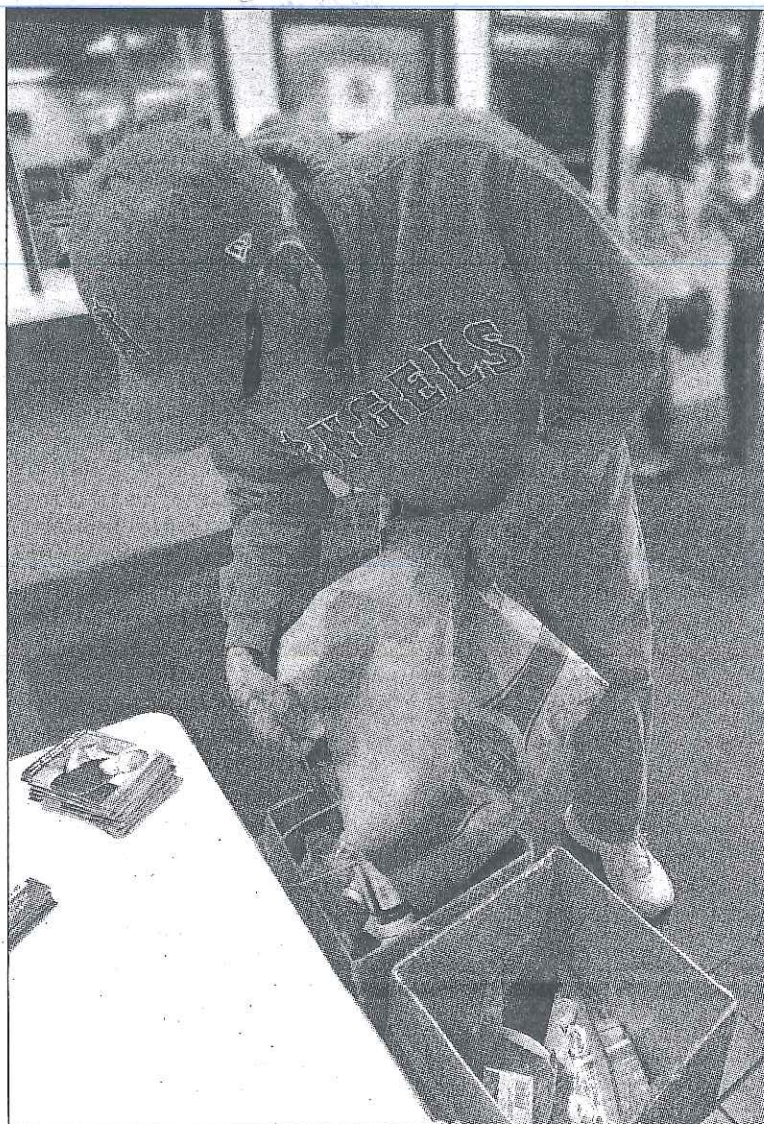
On Saturday, Oct. 22, the Garden Grove Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will give the public another opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs.

To dispose of pills safely, drop them off at the Garden Grove Police Department, at 11301 Acacia Parkway, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (The DEA cannot accept liquids or needles or sharps, only pills or patches). The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

Last April, Americans turned in 447 tons (more than 893,000 pounds) of prescription drugs at almost 5,400 sites operated by the DEA and more than 4,200 of its state and local law enforcement partners. Overall, in its 11 previous Take Back events, DEA and its partners have taken in over 6.4 million pounds—about 3,200 tons—of pills.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs.

Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for



Courtesy photo.

A man disposes of expired medication at a recent Take Back Day event.

disposing of unused medicines—flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—both pose potential safety and health hazards.

For more information about the disposal of prescription drugs or about the Take Back Day initiative, visit <https://www.dea.gov/index.shtml>.

Police seek to reduce distracted driving, accidents

Eight fatal accidents have occurred in GG in 2016

In response to the nationwide increase of fatal accidents involving distracted drivers, and pedestrians and bicyclists not following traffic rules, the Garden Grove Police Department Accident Reduction Team was organized as part of a city campaign to reduce traffic collisions, and to prevent fatal accidents involving pedestrians and bicyclists.

According to the Accident Reduction Team, more people are using electronic devices while driving and walking. To reduce the number of fatalities in Garden Grove, the Accident Reduction Team began enforcing "zero tolerance" weeks in August, by looking for distracted drivers, pedestrians jaywalking and bicyclists not traveling on the right side of the roadway in the direction of traffic. The en-

forcement resulted in the issuing of more than 300 citations. This year-round effort focuses on re-educating commuters on traffic safety rules, and the importance of safely sharing roads.

Along with the California Office of Traffic Safety, in September the Garden Grove Police Department joined other law enforcement agencies, pedestrian advocates, and walking clubs in the "California Pedestrian Safety Month," passed by the California State Senate.

Police Chief Todd Elgin stated, "With the growing obsession on texting and social media, distracted driving has become an epidemic, and distracted walking has become an increasingly serious problem, not just in Garden Grove, but nationwide. More and more people are getting injured

and killed for something that could wait. This is something we all have to think about."

According to the Garden Grove Police Department, to date, eight fatal accidents have occurred in Garden Grove for 2016.

To prevent fatalities and life-changing injuries, the Garden Grove Police Department Accident Reduction Team will be reaching out to commuters through various media outlets, as well as through presentations, and community meetings to educate the public on the dangers of not following traffic laws. The City's website, social media, and other mediums will be used to promote the campaign.

For more information, contact the Garden Grove Police Department Community Liaison Division at 714-741-5760.

Local rep honored for support of small businesses

Assemblyman Travis Allen (R-Huntington Beach) was honored last week by the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) with a 100 percent score for his voting record on small business issues in the 2016 legislative session.

The score reflects the Assemblyman's unwavering support of California's small businesses and creating more job opportunities throughout the state.

"As a small business owner myself, I am honored to receive such high recognition from the National Federation of Independent Business. Small businesses employ more than 90 percent of all of Californians and are the foundation of our economy, defining the American Dream," said Allen, who represents Garden Grove and Westminster. "It's important that we continue to fight for policies that promote and strengthen small businesses. I look forward to continuing to work with NFIB to provide a voice for small businesses at the state Capitol."

As a non-partisan organization, NFIB tracks the votes of each member of the state Assembly and Senate on legislation that

would have a significant impact on California small businesses. They then compile a voting record to provide a critical evaluation of legislators' support of enhancing California's economy, specifically through small businesses.

"Assemblyman Travis Allen has been one of the strongest advocates for small business in the state Capitol as a reliable friend of NFIB. As a small business owner, Travis Allen personally understands the immense challenges that exist in California to own, operate, and expand a business. We applaud Travis Allen for his 100 percent NFIB rating and for fighting to protect small businesses in California," NFIB/CA State Executive Director Tom Scott said.

A nonpartisan, nonprofit association, NFIB has 350,000 small and independent business owners across the nation. NFIB research and polls, such as its monthly Small Business Economic Trends, have been used and cited by Federal Reserve officials, Congress, state legislatures and top gubernatorial and presidential administration officials as one of the more valuable barometers of the American economy.

Time to prep for Big One

City to hold drills as part of Great California Shakeout

By Colleen Janssen

An earthquake is predicted for Oct. 20 at 10:20 a.m. At 10:20 on 10/20, a pretend earthquake will happen, and schools and government offices will participate in the Great California Shakeout, a drill to test our readiness for the Big One.

The San Andreas Fault line that runs through California is expected to be the location of a huge earthquake in Southern California. For most of our lives, residents have been warned that "The Big One is Coming." Most of us have pack supplies and try not to worry.

Employees from the City of Westminster at City Hall and the police and fire stations will participate in the annual disaster drill.

"Announcements will be made over the loudspeaker system," said Sgt. Jim Kingsmill. "Office workers will get under desks or other safe locations."

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"We may do an evacuation drill after the earthquake drill," said Ellen Lopez, Westminster Police Department emergency management coordinator.

"We are waiting for confirmation that the evacuation drill will occur," said Kingsmill. "The 911 operators will stay at their desks; they will handle calls, as usual."

The drill, a statewide event called "Drop, Cover, and Hold On" is expected to be the state's largest earthquake drill ever. Homeowners and local residents are encouraged to participate with their families and coworkers, using the time after the drill concludes to discuss future emergency planning.

The Westminster Police Department has provided the following instructions for the drill: Register your neighborhood, business or organization at ShakeOut.org/California/register; download a drill broadcast recording from the same location; have a drill at 10:20 a.m. on 10/20; discuss what you learned, then make improvements.

Police and fire departments recommend that residents and business owners perform a hazard hunt, looking for items that may fall during an earthquake then secure them; create a personal and family disaster plan; organize or refresh your emergency supply kit; identify and fix

any structural issues; and perform other actions found at www.EarthquakeCountry.org.

FEMA, the Red Cross and ready.gov have created suggested lists of emergency supplies to have on hand. Review the list and get your kit ready before the Shake Out event so you can be prepared in the event of a real earthquake, fire or other serious disaster. Why? Because local police, fire, hospital and other resources can be overwhelmed saving lives and not immediately available to help with food, water and other supplies of daily living. Once your kit is ready, plan to resupply every October before the drill.

A combined list of supplies from the three organizations includes: one gallon of water per person, per day; a three-day supply of non-perishable food, battery-powered or hand-crank radio and NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both; flashlight and extra batteries; First Aid kit; whistle to signal for help; dust mask to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place; moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation; wrench or pliers to turn off utilities; can opener for food; maps of Orange, Los Angeles and San Diego counties; cell phones with chargers.

Recommended food supplies include: foods that will not make you thirsty, salt-free crackers, whole grain cereals and canned

food with high liquid content, protein or fruit bars, peanut butter, dry cereal or granola, dried fruit, nuts, canned juices, non-perishable pasteurized milk, high energy foods, vitamins, food for infants, comfort/stress foods and pet food.

Additional items: medications, multi-purpose tool, copies of personal documents (medication list, medical information, proof of address, deed or lease to home, passports, birth certificates, insurance policies), matches, rain gear, bleach, blankets and/or sleeping bags, tent, work gloves, latex or vinyl gloves, paper plates, cutlery and cups.

There are many other items you may want to include such as toys and games for the kids, a deck of cards, and printed information on how to sanitize items and purify water for drinking, a list of phone numbers for friends and relatives, and cash in small bills, since many businesses may not have change for larger bills. Check online for ideas, then decide what makes sense for your family.

Plan ahead for Oct. 20. Gather your emergency supplies and create a kit. Organize your neighborhood, family and co-workers to participate in the drill.

When possible, take a First Aid and CPR class in case you need to save your family or friends after a disaster. If you do each of these tasks, you will feel more empowered and when the real Big One happens, you will be ready.

City to host forum on transport

Ideas from active transport advocates will be featured

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The City of Garden Grove is hosting a Regional Active Transportation Forum: "Connecting People to Place Matters in Orange County," on Friday, Oct. 14 from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Community Meeting Center, at 11300 Stanford Ave.

The Regional Active Transportation Forum will connect economic development and housing issues to active transportation, showcase ideas from active transportation advocates, community members, and health professionals, and discuss routes for youths and seniors.

At 1:15 p.m., Daniel S. Iacofano, who has 30 years of experience in urban planning and community design, will be addressing issues on transportation, housing, economic development, land use and regional growth.

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Aaron Paley, co-founder of CicLAvia, and Shaheen Sadeghi, founder and head of LAB Holding, will be discussing at 2:25 p.m., how active transportation and placemaking strategies are supporting positive changes to the community, and how both public sector initiatives and private investments are making this happen.

The Regional Active Transportation Forum is part of the Re:Imagine Garden Grove Campaign, which works to improve active transportation in the city, and find grants to implement projects that will improve the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists.

Space is limited. To register, visit www.eventbrite.com/e/27416782334. To register for a Walk Audit before the forum, visit www.eventbrite.com/e/27419125342.

For more information, contact

Erin Webb, Garden Grove Economic and Community Development, at 714-741-5313, or email Michele Martinez, Alliance for a Healthy Orange County, at michele@ochealthalliance.org.



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Contact:
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Human Resources Department

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Wednesday, October 19, 2016

APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR POLICE, FIRE JOBS NEARING

The City of Garden Grove is currently offering several job opportunities in the Garden Grove Police and Fire departments. All police department positions close on Monday, October 24, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.

The Garden Grove Police Department seeks candidates for police officers, reserve police officers, and police recruits, among others. The Garden Grove Police Department, a nationally-accredited law enforcement agency, operates under a Community Policing philosophy that recognizes the importance of working in close partnership with the community.

The Garden Grove Fire Department is looking for firefighter/paramedic applicants. The department operates seven fire stations, responding to over 14,000 calls per year. The firefighter/paramedic application deadline is by 5:00 p.m., on Friday, November 18, 2016.

All applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent resident aliens who are eligible, and have applied, for citizenship. Bilingual language skills are highly desirable.

Applications may be filed online at www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/jobs. Information on positions, application process, filing deadlines, and requirements are also available on this webpage, or by emailing the City of Garden Grove's Human Resources Department at ggjobs@ci.garden-grove.ca.us.



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CONTACT: Juan Medina (714) 741-5253
H. Louis Lake Senior Center

Monday, October 17, 2016

FREE HALLOWSCREAM PARTY AT H. LOUIS LAKE SENIOR CENTER

Garden Grove seniors are invited to attend a special Halloween-themed event, "HallowSCREAM," on Monday, October 31, 2016. The event is scheduled from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the H. Louis Lake Senior Center's dining room, located at 11300 Stanford Avenue.

Prizes will be awarded for best costumes in the categories of scariest, funniest, most original, and best couple. Lunch will also be available for a suggested donation of \$3 per person.

For additional information, please call the H. Louis Lake Senior Center at (714) 741-5253 during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Community Services Department

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Thursday, October 13, 2016

OUTDOOR FITNESS EQUIPMENT AT GARDEN GROVE PARK NOW OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

On Tuesday, October 11, 2016, the Mayor and City Council, along with City officials and members of the community **gathered in Garden Grove Park to dedicate** new outdoor fitness equipment, located at 9301 Westminster Avenue. The outdoor fitness area is just south of the Sports and Recreation Center, located at 13641 Deodara Drive.

The outdoor fitness equipment has a total of 15 body mass resistant machines which includes an air walker, cross country ski, leg press, and elliptical cross trainer. Several of the exercise equipment are wheelchair accessible.

Funding for the \$64,000 project was provided by Greenfield Outdoor Fitness and the Orange County Partnerships to Improve Community Health (OC-PICH) whose mission is to promote self-sufficiency by mobilizing and directing resources to programs that assist Orange County.

The new outdoor fitness equipment at Garden Grove Park is the fifth public outdoor fitness area in the city. Other locations include Magnolia Park, Jardin de los Niños Park in Buena Clinton, and Eastgate Park.

The equipment supports the City's goal to enhance the quality-of-life in the community by providing opportunities and amenities for recreation and physical fitness.

For more information, contact the Community Services Department at (714) 741-5200.

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Liên lạc: Liane Kwan (714) 741-5011
Thuộc Bộ Nhân sự

Thứ Năm, 20/10/2016

SỞ CẢNH SÁT & SỞ CỨU HỎA GARDEN GROVE

THÔNG BÁO TUYỂN NHÂN VIÊN

Sở cảnh sát Thành phố Garden Grove cần tuyển thêm người để đào tạo, gia nhập vào đội ngũ cảnh sát cho các chức vụ thuộc bộ phận văn phòng (Police office Aide) và Sĩ quan cảnh sát (Police Officer). Các thông tin chi tiết có sẵn tại website www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/jobs. Hạn chót nộp đơn là ngày Thứ Hai, 24 Tháng Mười, 2016 lúc 5:00 giờ chiều.

Trong thời gian sắp tới, Sở cảnh sát cần tuyển dụng nhân viên cảnh vụ để gia nhập vào hàng ngũ cảnh sát Thành phố. Sĩ quan cảnh sát và cảnh viên văn phòng sẽ làm việc chặt chẽ cùng những nhân viên cảnh vụ, tham gia vào những dự án, chương trình huấn luyện pháp lý tại Sở cảnh sát. Các sĩ quan cảnh sát là những người đứng tuyển đầu trong cộng đồng, đảm đương một vai trò dân sự quan trọng là làm cho Thành phố an toàn hơn. Trong các nấc thang công tác, cảnh sát viên có nhiều cơ hội thăng tiến, được thăng cấp, được lựa chọn nhiều công tác khác nhau. Các ứng cử viên phải thể hiện tính đạo đức, và phải vượt qua buổi kiểm tra background check theo thông lệ nếu muốn trở thành cảnh sát. Song song đó, Sở Cứu Hoá cũng tuyển lính cứu hỏa/ cứu thương (firefighter/paramedic.) Hạn chót nhận đơn là lúc 5:00 giờ chiều ngày Thứ Sáu, 18/11/2016

Đây là một cơ hội tuyệt vời cho những người quan tâm trong việc thực thi pháp luật và bắt đầu một sự nghiệp với Sở Cảnh sát Garden Grove. Sở cảnh sát cần tuyển dụng thêm nhiều nhân viên nói được song ngữ và các ứng cử viên phải là công dân Mỹ hay thường trú nhân hợp pháp.

Để biết thêm thông tin về các chức vụ được tuyển dụng, hoặc những yêu cầu của công việc, xin vui lòng liên lạc với Bộ phận Nhân sự (Human Resources) của Garden Grove tại ggjobs@ci.garden-grove.ca.us.

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Garden Grove Cần Tuyển: Cảnh Sát, Cứu Hỏa Song Ngữ

20/10/2016 00:00:00



GARDEN GROVE -- Thành phố Garden Grove cho biết đang cần tuyển dụng nhiều nhân viên cảnh sát và cứu hỏa.

Hạn chót Ty Cảnh Sát nhận đơn sẽ là Thứ Hai 24/10/2016, lúc 5:00pm.

Ty Cảnh Sát Garden Grove cần tuyển cảnh sát, viên chức dự bị cảnh sát, tân binh cảnh sát, và một số nhân viên khác.

Ty Cứu Hỏa Garden Grove cho biết cần tuyển lính cứu hỏa/cứu thương. Hạn chót cứu hỏa nhận đơn là lúc 5 giờ p.m., Thứ Sáu ngày 18/11/2016.

Nộp đơn phải là công dân Mỹ hay thường trú nhân. Nói song ngữ sẽ được ưu tiên.


Đơn có thể nộp trên mạng ở: www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/jobs.

Trang web có đầy đủ thông tin về các tuyển dụng.

Thị trấn này là nơi xuất thân 3 cựu nghị viên Garden Grove nổi tiếng của cộng đồng gốc Việt: Janet Nguyễn hiện là Thượng nghị sĩ tiểu bang California, Andrew Đỗ hiện là Giám sát viên Quận Cam, Trần Thái Văn là cựu Dân biểu tiểu bang đã mãn 2 nhiệm kỳ.

Hiện thời, Thị Trưởng Garden Grove là Bảo Nguyễn, người tỵ nạn từ trong bào thai mẹ và ra đời ở trại tỵ nạn.

Garden Grove là thành phố lớn trong khu vực Little Saigon, nơi có mật độ dân gốc Việt đông, chỉ sau thành phố láng giềng Westminster -- Hai thành phố Garden Grove và Westminster là chiếm phần lớn diện tích Little Saigon ở Quận Cam.

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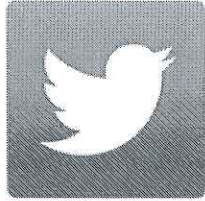
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Published by Garden Grove ProPulido (1) · 7 hrs ·



City of Garden Grove on Twitter

"Scheduled water outage this morning, from 9AM to 3PM, on Stephanie Lane and Geraldine Road. Residents were notified in advance."

TWITTER.COM | BY CITY OF GARDEN GROVE

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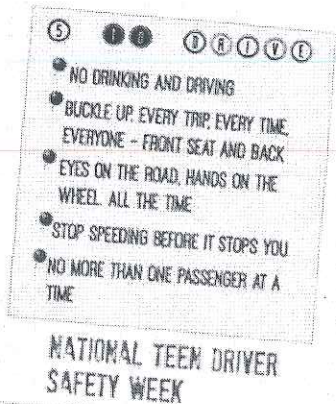
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#SafeStreetsGG #StayAlert



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Garden Grove Police Department
Published by Rebecca Nicksa (1) · 22 hrs ·

We are joining the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) during National Teen Driver Safety Week (October 16-22) to promote the "5 to Drive" ca...

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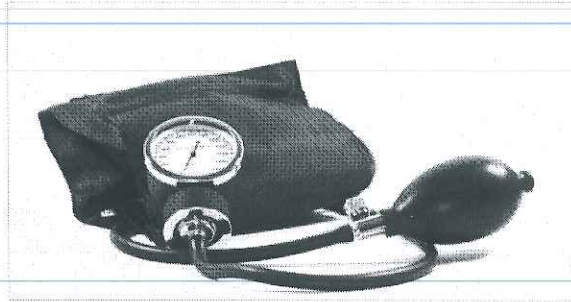


Garden Grove City Hall

Published by Garden Grove PioPulido (7) · Yesterday at 2:44pm ·

Donate Blood. Save a Life.

Some of us give blood because we were asked by a friend. Some know that a family member or a friend might need blood some day. Some believe it is the right thing to do. Whatever your reason, the need is constant and your contribution is important for a healthy and reliable blood supply. And you'll feel good knowing you've helped change a life. Click on the link below to learn how you can donate through the City's community blood drive this Thursday, October 20. #GardenGrove American Red Cross American Red Cross Blood Donors



City to Host Community Blood Drive | City of Garden Grove

The City of Garden Grove is hosting a community blood drive at the Community Meeting Center, A Room, located at 11300 Stanford Avenue on Thursday...
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Garden Grove City Hall

Published by Missy H Mendocca (7) · Yesterday at 11:57am ·

An emergency closure on Gilbert, north of Lampson, will last until 5:00 p.m. today due to a power pole being knocked down. For questions, please contact Southern California Edison (SCE) at (714) 269-9813. #GardenGrove

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Call Greene, Francisca Contreras and 6 others

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60 Garden Grove City Hall shared Garden Grove Police Department's event.

Published by Garden Grove Police (7) · October 17 at 10:26pm · 48

Join Garden Grove Police Department officers and employees in their mission to collect tips at Red Robin Gourmet Burgers that will benefit the Special Olympics Southern California.

Every dollar raised through the Tip-A-Cop event helps fund Special Olympics' programs in the community. #GardenGrove
<http://www.sossc.org/home>



Garden Grove Red Robin
 12007 Harbor Blvd.
Thursday, October 20, 2016
 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Tip-a-Cop
 Tomorrow 5 PM - Garden Grove
 42 people interested · 10 people going

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1 Comment

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60 Garden Grove City Hall

Published by Garden Grove Police (7) · Yesterday at 8:33am · 49

Garden Grove Park gets physical with the installation of new outdoor fitness equipment. The fitness area has a total of 15 body mass resistant machines which includes an air walker, cross country ski, leg press, and elliptical cross trainer. The equipment is specifically designed for all ages, regardless of the user's fitness level, and many of the pieces are wheelchair accessible.

The new outdoor fitness equipment supports the City's goal to enhance the quality-of-life in the community by providing opportunities and amenities for recreation and physical fitness. #ParksMakeLifeBetter #GardenGrove



Outdoor Fitness Equipment at Garden Grove Park Now Open to the Public | City of Garden Grove

On Tuesday, October 11, 2016, the Mayor and City Council, along with City officials and members of the community gathered in Garden Grove Park to...

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Garden Grove City Hall

Published by Missy M Mendoza (P) - October 17 at 12:35pm

Are you looking for a job during this Holiday season?

Target is hiring 14,300 employees in California, and you can apply to work at the #GardenGrove Target today! You can apply in-store or through the link provided below.

Garden Grove Jobs at TARGET

Search for available job openings at TARGET

JOBS.TARGET.COM



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Vinyl Moeckel, Melina Vasquez and 7 others

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Garden Grove City Hall

Published by Garden Grove ProPublico (P) - October 17 at 7:47am

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT KNOTT STREET CONSTRUCTION.

Beginning Monday, October 17 through Friday October 21, 2016, between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., the intersection of Knott St. at Garden Grove Blvd., at Acacia Ave., and Lampson Ave. will be adversely impacted with construction during the late evening hours. Please be advised that traffic will be down to one lane and through traffic may be restricted during different places of work as the construction takes place. Allow additional time when traveling in the area and if possible, take alternate routes. All lanes will be reopened by 6:00 a.m. #GardenGrove Garden Grove Public Works Department



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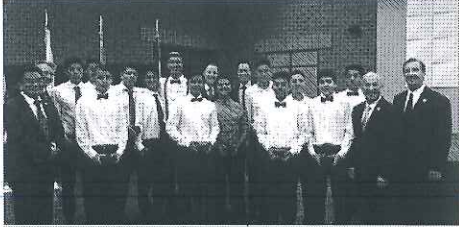
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Garden Grove City Hall added 2 new photos.
October 13 at 4:12pm

The City Council recognized Garden Grove High School and Santiago High School boys' soccer teams, Coach Matt Grenert, and Coach Sean Redmond, for their 2016 CIF State Regional competition. Congratulations! #GGArgonauts #GGCavaliers #GGUSD #GardenGrove



878 People Reached

41 Likes, Comments & Shares

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Emily Jefferson, Debrae Martinez and 26 others

0 Shares **36**

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Garden Grove City Hall added 2 new photos.

Published by Garden Grove PhotoPulse on October 13 at 5:00pm - 63

*Help spread the word about the street improvement project on Knott and Valley View...

Valley View Street, from the 22 Freeway westbound off-ramp to Tiffany Avenue, is currently undergoing construction and will be down to one lane for about a month. Access to businesses and residences along the construction zone will be maintained. Please allow additional time when traveling in the area and if possible, take alternate routes.

Knott Street, from Garden Grove Boulevard to Lam... See More



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Garden Grove City Hall
 Published by Allison Mendez on October 13 at 2:56pm
 Join the City as we host a Regional Active Transportation Forum: "Connecting People to Place Matters in Orange County," tomorrow, October 14, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., at the Community Meeting Center, located at 11300 Stanford Avenue
 #GardenGrove
<http://www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/.../regional-active-transpor...>



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Lety Regalado, Stephanie Heptenstein and 3 others

1 Comment

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1,464 People Reached

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City of Garden Grove @CityOfGardenGrove · Oct 18 Garden Grove Park gets physical with the installation of new outdoor fitness equipment. ci.garden-grove.ca.us/commserv/bu/ido... pic.twitter.com/TB4rePZ1Zy View Tweet activity	283	20	7.1%
City of Garden Grove @CityOfGardenGrove · Oct 17 Are you looking for a job during this Holiday season? #GardenGrove cawf4v418e705eRb2	330	17	5.2%

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City of Garden Grove @CityOfGardenGrove · Oct 17
Good Morning, #GardenGrove! Today's weather will reach a high of 74°F & a low of 58°F.
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City of Garden Grove @CityOfGardenGrove · Oct 13
Tom, is Regional Active Transportation Forum: "Connecting People to Place Matters in Orange County," at the CMC! #GG [owljy8FN305a7bG](#) [pic.twitter.com/AuscUqzHQ](#)
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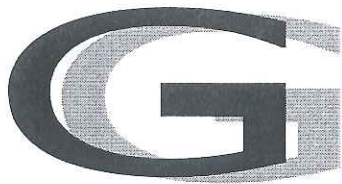
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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

October 20, 2016

1. Calendar of Events
2. League of California Cities, "CA Cities Advocates" dated October 14, 2016.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 20, 2016 – October 30, 2016

Thursday	October 20	7:30 a.m.- 1:30 p.m.	Community Blood Drive hosted by the City of Garden Grove, CMC A Room
		7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC CANCELLED
Thursday- Sunday	October 20-23		One More Productions presents "Sweeny Todd" Gem Theater
Friday	October 21	6:00 p.m.- 10:00 p.m.	H. Louis Lake Senior Center Monster Mash Dinner Dance, CMC A Room
Saturday	October 22	8:00 a.m.- Noon	Project "GO" Graffiti Off, Municipal Service Center
		10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.	National Drug Take Back Initiative Pill Disposal At the Garden Grove Police Department 11301 Acacia Parkway
Tuesday	October 25	6:00 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, CMC A Room Sanitary District Meeting, CMC A Room Successor Agency Meeting, CMC A Room City Council Meeting, CMC A Room
Wednesday	October 26	2:00 p.m.	Oversight Board Meeting, CMC Constitution Room CANCELLED
Thursday	October 27		Casual Day – 2016 Holiday Drive
		9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting City Hall, 3 rd Floor Training Room
Friday	October 28		City Hall Closed
		5:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.	15 th Annual Jack O'Lantern Jamboree Atlantis Play Center
		8:00 p.m.	Strawberry Production's Movie Under the Stars "To Kill a Mockingbird", Festival Amphitheater
Friday- Sunday	October 28-30		Indie Fest USA International Film & Music Festival Historic Main Street and Village Green Park

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California City Solutions: San Luis Obispo Creates Unified Approach to Public Engagement

Proposition 64 Webinar Scheduled for Oct. 20

League members are invited to participate on a 90-minute webinar on various aspects of Proposition 64, the Adult Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA). *For more, see Page 2.*



How Long Until Our Local Streets and Roads Crumble?

Oct. 26 Webinar will Detail Results of 2016 Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment

The results are in and once again the biennial Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment has concluded that California's local system remains on the brink of a rapid, downward spiral if maintenance funding shortfalls are not addressed. *For more, see Page 2.*



\$100 Million in GO-Biz California Competes Tax Credits Available in January

Cities looking to attract, retain or expand jobs in their community should consider the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz) California Competes Tax Credit Program as part of their strategy. *For more, see Page 2.*

'Marijuana webinar' Continued from Page 1...

Scheduled Oct. 20 from 10–11:30 a.m., the webinar is free for League members and League Partners. Non-member cities will be charged \$100.

The webinar will cover two main areas:

- How the AUMA differs from the legislation signed last year, the Medical Marijuana Regulation and Safety Act
 - State licensing and local regulations
 - Indoor cultivation
 - Sales taxes — what is allowed and what is not
 - Content of local ordinances

- Regulatory changes for local government if Prop. 64 passes
 - Regulation of indoor cultivation for personal use
 - Local taxation
 - Deliveries
 - Regulation of medical vs. non-medical marijuana
 - Preserving local regulatory authority
 - Updating ordinances
 - Notifying state licensing entities

Registration

Register online by Oct. 18 at 5 p.m. Two connections per city will be permitted for this webinar.

Webinar log-in information will be emailed on Oct. 19 by close of business.

For questions about how to register for the webinar, please contact Megan Dunn. For other questions, please contact Sarah Nowshiravan.

'LSR webinar' Continued from Page 1...

Cities, counties and transportation officials are invited to a briefing on this crucial research that will be released on Oct 25.

Scheduled for Oct. 26 from 2–3 p.m., the webinar will cover the report's findings, what they mean for your community, and how you can help get the word out about the funding shortfall. The 2016 update surveyed all of California's 482 cities and 58 counties, capturing data from more than 99 percent of the state's local streets and roads.

This webinar is free for League and California State Association of Counties/County Engineers Association of California members and Partners. There are only 500 lines available so please register for one line per entity.

Registration

Oct. 19 at 5 p.m. is the registration deadline and registration can be completed online. Webinar log-in information and background materials will be sent to attendees by Oct. 25.

For registration questions, please contact Megan Dunn. For all other questions related to the streets and roads report, contact Meghan McKelvey.

'GoBIZ' Continued from Page 1...

Applications will be accepted for the California Competes Tax Credit program during its next funding period, which will be open from Jan. 2–23, 2017. This is the second application period for the program this fiscal year, offering \$100 million. Twenty-five percent of these funds are reserved for small businesses with gross receipts of less than \$2 million.

Applications are evaluated based on the factors required by statute, including total jobs created, total investment, average wage, economic impact, strategic importance and more. Applications are accepted online through a free and interactive website at www.calcompetes.ca.gov.

GO-Biz is authorized to award \$200 million in each fiscal year 2015-16 through 2017-18 in tax credits.

For more information please email CalCompetes@gov.ca.gov or call (916) 322-4051.

Information on Go-Biz

GO-Biz serves as California's office for economic development and offers a range of services to business owners. Those services include attraction, retention and expansion services, site selection, permit streamlining, clearing of regulatory hurdles, small business assistance, international trade development, assistance with state government, important informational briefings and much more.

Long-Range Financial Planning Session Set for Upcoming Municipal Finance Institute

Attendees at the League's Municipal Finance Institute will not want to miss a special session on long-range financial planning. [Registration](#) for this two-day conference is open now through Nov. 8 and can be completed online.

Scheduled for Nov. 30–Dec. 1 at the Monterey Marriott, the session will feature Palo Alto Administrative Services Director Daniel Jordan and La Cañada Flintridge Finance Director Daniel Jordan.

This important session will examine the critical bridge long-range financial planning plays in connecting local governments' strategic plans to the annual budget process. Presenters will cover the mechanics of how to use long-range fiscal forecasting, appropriate methods for projecting revenues and expenditures and using standard spreadsheet software to create forecasting models accounting for a variety of scenarios.

Municipal Finance Institute Details

The full conference registration includes two days of educational sessions; Wednesday lunch and reception, Thursday breakfast and lunch; and electronic access to all program materials.

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California City Solutions: San Luis Obispo Creates Unified Approach to Public Engagement

This story is part of an ongoing series featuring Helen Putnam Award entries. The 2016 entries will be available on the League's website as a resource for cities in a searchable database called [California City Solutions](#). San Luis Obispo's Public Engagement and Noticing Manual was submitted in 2016 for the Enhancing Public Trust, Ethics, and Community Involvement award category.

Meaningful public engagement is a core component of how the city of San Luis Obispo provides services to its residents. Keeping up with the multiple ways in which the public receives information and new outreach strategies can be a challenge. Digital tools, in particular, offer ways to transform the public engagement process. San Luis Obispo created the Public Engagement and Noticing (PEN) manual to help the city enhance its efforts following an internal assessment

identified a need for a consistent approach when engaging the public and created the Public Engagement and Noticing (PEN) manual to support this effort.

Resident groups and other stakeholders all identified the need for greater clarity, noticing and outreach regarding development projects and policy initiatives. Some expressed concern about inconsistency of outreach and tools used between departments, and how that affected early and effective public engagement. Staff decided that it needed a unified approach to public engagement to ensure that the community could receive information and provide feedback on key issues.

The PEN manual was drafted to provide a concise and easy-to-read guide for city staff to use when engaging the community on various types of city projects and policy initiatives. It also serves as a document to help inform city council and community expectations about how and when the city engages the public.

Collaboratively produced with city staff and a local consultant, comprises four major components:

1. **The Action Plan Matrix** helps identify the level of public engagement staff is expected to use based on the type of project. Levels of public engagement are divided into three communication objectives: inform, consult, and collaborate. These communication objectives were modeled after work done by the International Association of Public Participation. Objectives are listed horizontally across the top of the matrix. Types of projects are divided into four levels of complexity (i.e. decision-making process) and listed vertically on the left hand side of the matrix: staff level, department head/city manager, advisory bodies, and city council.

To use the matrix, the level of complexity of the project is determined, and then staff identifies what communication objectives are expected based on that level. For example:

- Completing a paving project is considered a staff level service delivery, and the expected communication objective is to inform the community about the project.
- Developing a new policy document, like a Climate Action Plan, requires city council approval, and the expected communication objective is to collaborate with the public to develop recommendations.

2. **Identification of outreach tools** makes it clear how staff can achieve effective and meaningful public engagement. Outreach tools are listed for each communication objective in two categories: what is expected, and what can be done to go above and beyond. For example, it is expected that staff will do official noticing, use the website to electronically notify interested parties, post information on the city website and contact key community liaisons when informing the public is the communication objective.

If an issue is designated as needing consultation or collaboration with the public additional tools are required such as surveys, focus groups, workshops, neighborhood meetings and the use of online public comment forum tools like Open Town Hall from Peak Democracy. After a successful pilot, the city began using this program (branded as Open City Hall) as a required part of all projects which require collaboration with the public. This tool has allowed the city to engage with a new segment of the community who were not previously aware of how to be involved or were unable to for a variety of reasons.

3. **Where and when.** This is one of the most important aspects of public The PEN manual includes a sample list of established community organizations and interest groups, media contacts, and venues with capacity and address information.
4. **Best practices** are identified and described for each communication tools, which will help gather meaningful public input and formalize expectations for community members about what will take place.

Templates are included for outreach tools such as e-notification, fact sheets, flyers, advertisements, postcards and signage. This helps to standardize the city's outreach materials.

The city's PEN manual is a tool to help staff determine how to maximize engagement tools at their disposal to achieve meaningful engagement with the public and result in policy informed by a broader section of the community.

Results indicate:

- Over 400 community member participated in a community forum to help identify goals and priorities for the upcoming fiscal year. Another 751 people participated through Open City Hall and mailed surveys.
- The city currently has a 92 percent approval rating from users of the Open City Hall engagement tool with 1,779 individual visitors and 1,281 comments posted. This is the equivalent of 64 hours of public testimony. The use of this tool, through the implementation of the PEN manual, has made the process for collecting feedback much more efficient saving both staff time and resources.

The San Luis Obispo City Council officially endorsed the manual in August 2015 and the Action Plan Matrix has been used during meetings to provide clear direction to staff from the city council as to the desired level of engagement for a given item. The PEN manual has also been featured as a model for other cities to replicate by the [National Research Center](#).
