



Sacramento Region Drought Update

Presentation to the State Water Resources Control Board June 17, 2014

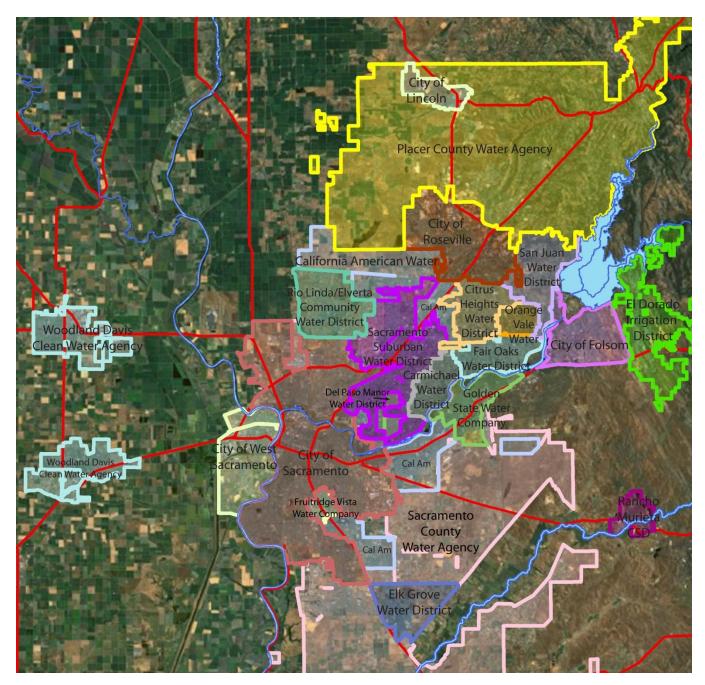
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The Sacramento Region

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Folsom Lake

American River





• 22 water providers

• 2 million people

"To serve and represent regional water supply interests and assist RWA members with protecting and enhancing the reliability, availability, affordability, and quality of water resources"

20% by 2020 2014

• January 9, 2014

Number of Agencies	Percent Reduction
2	< 20%
14	20%
4	> 20%

RESOLUTION 2014-01

A Resolution of the Regional Water Authority Regarding Response to Dry Conditions in 2014

Whereas, the Regional Water Authority's mission includes protecting and enhancing the reliability, availability, affordability, and quality of water resources; and

Whereas, 2013 was the driest year on record in California; and

Whereas, 2012 also had below average precipitation; and

Whereas, Folsom Reservoir storage has dropped to 175,000 acre-feet, which is 36% of its historical average and 18% of its capacity, and continues to decline; and

Whereas, releases to the lower American River are being reduced to 500 cubic feet per second; and

Whereas, the Sierra snowpack was less than 20% of average for January; and

Whereas, forecasts project continued dry conditions; and

Whereas, the Sacramento region's economy and environment are dependent on water from the American and Sacramento Rivers; and

Whereas, many water purveyors are implementing or considering actions under their water shortage contingency plans; and

Whereas, our streams, rivers, and adjacent groundwater basins are inextricably linked; and

Whereas, the Regional Water Authority is committed to the coequal objectives of reliable water supplies and a sustainable environment;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of RWA strongly recommends that all members take actions to urge water use reduction by 20% or more.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a meeting of the Authority held on January 9, 2014.

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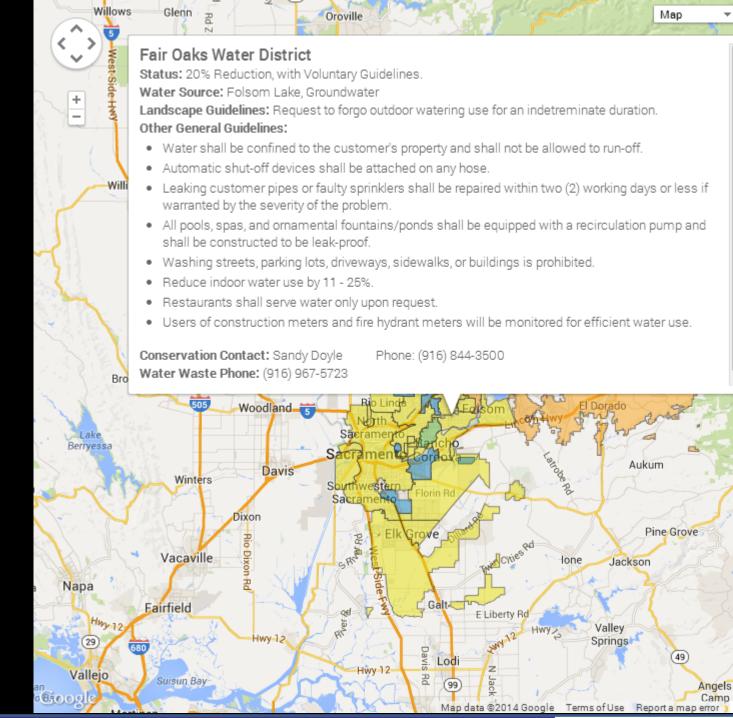
Chair, Regional Water Authority

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Clerk, Regional Water Authority







RWA Conservation Survey

- 5,900 water waste warnings/citations since January.
- Half have hired/reassigned staff for enforcement.
- 90% are limiting outdoor watering to three or fewer days per week.
- Half increased their public outreach budgets.





Regional Programs

- Public Outreach Campaign
- School Education in partnership with SacBee
- Large Landscape Budgets
- Direct Installation for Indoor Fixtures
- Clothes Washer, Toilet and Irrigation Rebates
- Graywater Workshops
- Car Wash Incentives





Local Media







Water Savings Results

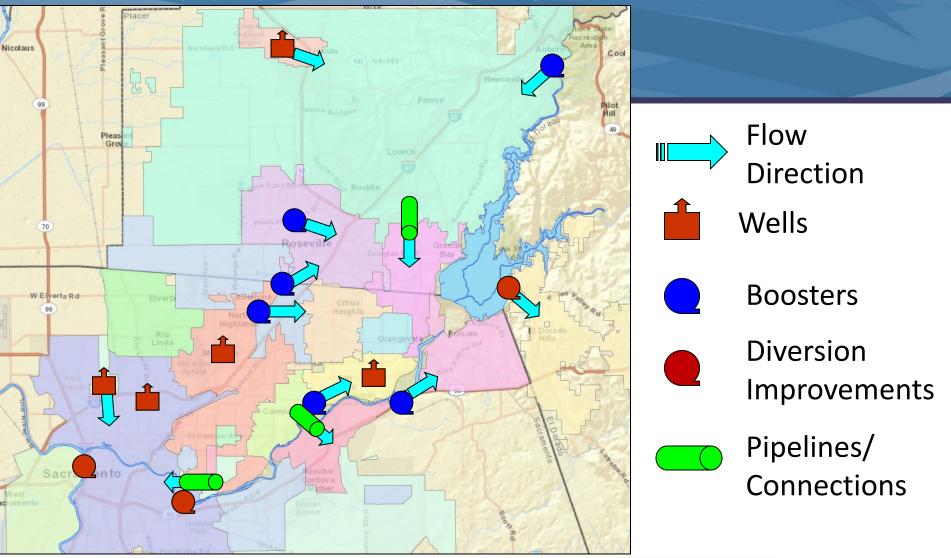
Unit=MG	February	March	April	May	Total
2014	5,306.21	6,263.38	7,443.64	11,198.73	30,211.96
2013	6,140.24	8,532.37	10,222.21	15,006.75	39,901.57
2012	6,301.69	6,845.82	7,379.52	13,654.89	34,181.93
2011	5,483.84	5,886.86	8,388.29	12,345.57	32,104.56

Baseline	Feb-May Average	2014 Reduction
2012-2013	37,041	18.4%
2013	39,901	24.3%

2011-2014 Water Use



Supply Side Drought Response







Questions?

