

WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Groundwater Contamination Related Programs and Regional Groundwater Monitoring Program (Groundwater Workshop at LARWQCB)

> Brian Partington, PG, CHg October 11, 2018

SECURING OUR WATER FUTURE TODAY

Introduction to WRD



SERVICE AREA = 420 SQUARE MILES



43 CITIES



POPULATION > 4 MILLION

550,000 ACRE FEET USED PER YEAR



50% GROUNDWATER FROM LOCAL WATER WELLS



50% IMPORTED WATER



WRD SUPPLEMENTS NATURAL GROUNDWATER RECHARGE



Groundwater Contamination Related Programs at WRD

- WRD's authority under the California Water Code.
- We have Various Programs...
 - Safe Drinking Water.
 - Disadvantaged Community Outreach.
 - Groundwater Quality.
 - Well Profiling.
- Groundwater Contamination.
- Regional Groundwater Monitoring.
- Geographical Information System (GIS).

WRD's Authority under the California Water Code

• California Water Code (Section 60224)

"For the purpose of protecting and preserving the groundwater supplies within the district for beneficial use, the district may take any action which is necessary to accomplish any of the following:".

- Prevent contaminants from entering the groundwater supplies;
- Remove contaminants from the groundwater supplies;
- Determine the existence, extent, and locations of contaminants;
- Determine persons responsible for those contaminants;
- Perform engineering or scientific studies for contaminants.

WRD's Authority under the California Water Code

- One thing is missing...No Regulatory Authority.
- WRD has a long standing relationship working collaboratively with our regulatory partners (DDW, EPA, DTSC, RWQCB, etc.).



Safe Drinking Water Program

District funded:

- 12 grant projects to remove VOCs.
- 4 loan projects to remove Secondary Constituents.
- 1 demonstration project researching various media for removing Arsenic.

Program restored the use of 17 production well facilities (~38,000 acre-feet per year).



Safe Drinking Water Program



Disadvantaged Communities Outreach Pilot Program



DAC OUTREACH PILOT PROGRAM

PROGRAM FOR DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES:

The Water Replenishment District of Southern California (WRD) recently launched a new component to the Safe Drinking Water Program, the Disadvantage Communities (DAC) Outreach Pilot Program. This program was developed as a benefit for disadvantage communities to fill the gaps where resources may not be available. The objective of the program is to assist small water systems that supply drinking water to disadvantaged communities access the funding they need to address contaminated drinking water sources. By helping disadvantaged communities clean up their contaminated wells, WRD is helping them to reduce the region's dependence on costly imported water. Through this innovative pilot program, the "Safe Drinking Water Program for Disadvantaged Communities", WRD is showing its commitment to helping small systems provide the region's residents with safe and affordable drinking water.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS











Groundwater Quality Program

- Monitor and Evaluate Drinking Water Regulations / Legislation.
- Hold an Annual Groundwater Quality Workshop for District's Water Purveyors. Cover a wide range of topics including cutting edge technologies, well rehabilitations, and regulatory update from DDW.
- Conduct Central Basin Title 22 Groundwater Monitoring for Participating Pumpers (started in 2007).
- Monitoring / Sampling of Surface Spreading and Injection Activities.



Well Profiling Program

- Flow and chemistry data from different depths inside Water Well.
- Data can be used to develop options to improve overall water quality.
- Process typically includes the following:
 - Review Well Information
 - Verify access with Chain Survey
 - Video Camera Survey
 - Flow Profiling
 - (Dynamic / Ambient)
 - Depth-Discrete Sampling



Water Well Profiling in the Central and West Coast Basins, Los Angeles County CA

Tuesday, May 8, 2012: 1:30 p.m. Theodore A. Johnson, PG, CHG, Water Replenishment District of Southern California Charlene King, Water Replenishment District of Southern California; Everett Ferguson, Water Replenishment District of Southern California; Don Leo, Totra Toch GEO;



U.S. Geological Survey Combined Well-Bore Flow and Depth-Dependent Water Sampler





Well Profiling Program



- Groundwater Contamination Program Started in 2004.
- Program was developed with feedback from various stakeholders including pumpers and regulatory agencies (EPA, DTSC, and RWQCB).
- Three objectives of Groundwater Contamination Prevention Program.
 - 1. Conduct a systematic review / prioritization of selected groundwater contamination Sites.
 - 2. Develop a strategy for assisting regulatory agencies with overseeing characterization at these Sites.
 - 3. Monitor remediation progress and provide feedback on priority Sites.
- Tracking the progress of high priority sites that <u>may or already have</u> <u>impacted the drinking water supply</u> within the Central Basin and West Coast Basin (CBWCB).

- Sites are evaluated based on the following nine criteria:
 - 1. Site Location / Local Hydrogeology
 - 2. Distance to Nearest Water Supply Well
 - 3. Depth to Contamination
 - 4. Contaminant Concentrations in Groundwater
 - 5. Fate and Transport of Contaminants
 - 6. Presence of Contamination in Water Supply Wells
 - 7. Status of Delineation of Contaminants
 - 8. Status of Remediation
 - 9. Stage of Regulatory Agency Involvement



		POINTS				
	CRITERIA ⁽¹⁾	20	15	10	5	0
1	SITE LOCATION / HYDROGEOLOGY	LOCATED WITHIN THE LOS ANGELES OR MONTEBELLO FOREBAYS AND/OR WHERE BELLFLOWER AQUICLUDE IS ABSENT	N/A	LOCATED IN AREA WHERE BELLFLOWER AQUICLUDE IS COMPOSED OF SANDY & GRAVELLY CLAY	NA	LOCATED ABOVE THE BELLFLOWER AQUICLUDE
2	DISTANCE TO NEAREST WATER SUPPLY WELL ⁽³⁾	AT LEAST ONE "ACTIVE" WATER SUPPLY WELL WITHIN 0.5 MILE	AT LEAST ONE "INACTIVE" OR "UNKNOWN STATUS" WATER SUPPLY WELL WITHIN 0.5 MILE	AT LEAST ONE "ACTIVE" WATER SUPPLY WELL BETWEEN 0.5 - 1.0 MILE	AT LEAST ONE "INACTIVE" OR "UNKNOWN STATUS" WATER SUPLY WELL BETWEEN 0.5 - 1.0 MILE	IF "ACTIVE", "INACTIVE", OR "UNKNOWN STATUS" WATER SUPPLY WELL GREATER THAN 1.0 MILE
3	DEPTH OF CONTAMINATION ⁽⁴⁾	IF SITE CONTAMINANTS ARE DETECTED WITHIN OR DEEPER THAN THE GAGE AND/OR GARDENA AQUIFERS WITHIN 0.5 MILE	N/A	IF SITE CONTAMINANTS ARE DETECTED ABOVE THE GAGE AND/OR GARDENA AQUIFERS WITHIN 0.5 MILE	NA	SOIL ONLY
4a	CONTAMINANT CONCENTRATIONS IN ON-SITE GROUNDWATER ⁽⁵⁾	EXCEEDANCE >10,000X (OR UNKNOWN)	EXCEEDANCE 1,000X to 10,000X	EXCEEDANCE 100X to 1,000X	EXCEEDANCE MCL to 100X	SOIL ONLY OR EXCEEDANCE <mcl< td=""></mcl<>
4b	CONTAMINANT CONCENTRATIONS IN OFF-SITE GROUNDWATER ⁽⁵⁾	EXCEEDANCE >1,000X (OR UNKNOWN)	EXCEEDANCE 100X to 1,000X	EXCEEDANCE 10X to 100X	EXCEEDANCE MCL to 10X	SOIL ONLY OR EXCEEDANCE <mcl< td=""></mcl<>
5	FATE AND TRANSPORT OF CONTAMINANTS ⁽⁶⁾	VERY HIGH MOBILITY	N/A	HIGH MOBILITY	MODERATE MOBILITY	LOW TO SLIGHT MOBILITY
6	PRESENCE OF CONTAMINATED WATER SUPPLY WELLS ⁽⁷⁾	AT LEAST ONE WATER SUPPLY WELL IMPACTED BY CONTAMINATION FROM SITE	N/A	AT LEAST ONE WATER SUPPLY WELL <u>POSSIBLY</u> CONTAMINATED DUE TO RELEASES AT SITE	N⁄A	NO WATER SUPPLY WELLS CONTAMINATED DUE TO RELEASES AT SITE
7a	STATUS OF LATERAL DELINEATION OF CONTAMINANTS ⁽⁵⁾	SITE CONTAMINANTS NOT DELINEATED LATERALLY - CONTAMINANT CONCENTRATIONS GREATER THAN 25X	N/A	SITE CONTAMINANTS DELINEATED LATERALLY BETWEEN 10X to 25X	NA	SITE CONTAMINANTS DELINEATED LATERALLY TO LESS THAN 10X
7b	STATUS OF VERTICAL DELINEATION OF CONTAMINANTS ⁽⁵⁾ ⁽⁸⁾	SITE CONTAMINANTS NOT DELINEATED VERTICALLY - CONTAMINANT CONCENTRATIONS GREATER THAN 25X	N/A	SITE CONTAMINANTS DELINEATED VERTICALLY BETWEEN 10X to 25X	NA	SITE CONTAMINANTS DELINEATED VERTICALLY TO LESS THAN 10X
8a	SOIL REMEDIATION ⁽⁹⁾	NONE OR ONLY PARTIAL / INTERIM REMEDY	FULL REMEDY OPERATING	REMEDY APPROACHING ASYMPTOTIC CONDITIONS	IMPLEMENTING SYSTEM OPTIMIZATION PHASE	NO FURTHER ACTION LETTER FROM AGENCY
8b	ON-SITE GROUNDWATER REMEDIATION	NONE OR ONLY PARTIAL / INTERIM REMEDY	FULL REMEDY OPERATING	REMEDY APPROACHING ASYMPTOTIC CONDITIONS	IMPLEMENTING SYSTEM OPTIMIZATION PHASE	NO FURTHER ACTION LETTER FROM AGENCY
8c	OFF-SITE GROUNDWATER REMEDIATION	NONE OR ONLY PARTIAL / INTERIM REMEDY	FULL REMEDY OPERATING	REMEDY APPROACHING ASYMPTOTIC CONDITIONS	IMPLEMENTING SYSTEM OPTIMIZATION PHASE	NO FURTHER ACTION LETTER FROM AGENCY
9	STAGE OF REGULATORY AGENCY	NO ACTION TAKEN	SITE CHARACTERIZATION	REMEDIAL ACTION PLANS	IMPLEMENTING REMEDY	LONG-TERM MONITORING OR NO FURTHER ACTION
Notes:						

"N/A" criteria not established for this numeric value (Not Applicable).

(1) All criteria assume the evaluation area includes "the site and its associated contamination plume".

(2) Los Angeles and Montebello Forebay boundaries based on Plate 2; "Planned Utilization of the Ground Water Basins of the Coastal Plain of Los Angeles County; Bulletin No. 104" (Department of Water Resources [DWR], 1961).

Bellflower Aquiclude boundaries based on Plates 9a and 9b; "Planned Utilization of the Ground Water Basins of the Coastal Plain of Los Angeles County; Bulletin No. 104" (Department of Water Resources [DWR], 1961).

(3) An "active" well has extracted groundwater at any time during the prior three years as defined by WRD.

(4) Depth of Gage and/or Gardena Aquifers based upon Plates 12a and 12b; "Planned Utilization of the Ground Water Basins of the Coastal Plain of Los Angeles County; Bulletin No. 104" (Department of Water Resources [DWR], 1961). DWR (1961).

(5) "X" indicates at least one site contaminant has been detected at a concentration (and some multiple [X]) greater than a regulatory standard for California; i.e., Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) or Notification Level (NL).

(6) Evaluation based on Chemical Properties of Chemicals of Concern (Table 4) and Fate and Transport of Chemicals of Concern (Table 5).

(7) Focus on down-gradient wells with sites / plumes located within probable capture zone and serving potable water as permitted by the DDW.

(8) A minimum of three groundwater monitoring wells constructed to the maximum depth of contamination before vertical delineation can be considered.

(9) Focus on active remediation such as soil vapor extraction (SVE). Some mass may be "left-in-place" and will be evaluated further using groundwater results in Criteria 8b/8c.

- Numeric values are applied to each criteria (0 to 20).
- Sites are then sorted numerically and separated into to Categories.
 - Category 1 Higher Priority / Progress reviewed Annually
 - Category 2 Lower Priority / Data reviewed roughly every 2 years
 - Green Triangles Sites no longer considered High Priority
- Sites reviewed monthly with our Groundwater Quality Committee.
- Status updates from regulatory agency for the most heavily impacted sites two times per year at our Groundwater Contamination Forum.

Groundwater Quality Committee

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GROUNDWATER QUALITY COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 4040 PARAMOUNT BOULEVARD, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712 2:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2016

AGENDA

EACH ITEM ON THE AGENDA. NO MATTER HOW DESCRIBED, SHALL BE DEEMED TO INCLUDE ANY APPROPRIATE MOTION WHETHER TO ADOPT A MINUTE MOTION, RESOLUTION, PAYMENT OF ANY BILL, APPROVAL OF ANY MATTER OR ACTION, OR ANY OTHER ACTION. ITEMS LISTED AS 'FOR INFORMATION' MAY ALSO BE THE SUBJECT OF ANY 'ACTION' TAKEN BY THE BOARD OR A COMMITTEE AT THE SAME MEETING.

- DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3
- CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH KENNEDY COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE SAFE 3. DRINKING WATER DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES OUTREACH PILOT PROGRAM Staff Recommendation: For discussion and possible action.
- 4. NO COST TIME EXTENSION WITH TETRA TECH INC FOR WELL PROFILING SERVICES Staff Recommendation: For discussion and possible action.
- 5. SAFE DRINKING WATER PROGRAM - DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES OUTREACH PILOT PROGRAM UPDATE Staff Recommendation: For discussion.
- ENVIRONMENTAL SITES REVIEW 6. Staff Recommendation: For information
- DIRECTORS REPORTS, INQUIRIES, AND FOLLOW UP OF DIRECTIONS TO STAFF 7.
- 8. ADJOURNMENT The Committee will adjourn to the next regular meeting currently scheduled Tuesday, June 21, 2016 at 10:30 a.m.

Agenda posted by Scott M. Ota, Chief Financial on May 17, 2016

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), if special assistance is needed to participate in the meeting, please contact Chief Financial Officer Scott Ota at (562) 921-5521 for assistance to enable the District to make reasonable acco

All public records relating to an agenda item on this agenda are available for public inspection at the time the record is distributed to all, or a majority of all, members of the Board. Such records shall be available at the District office located at 4040 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California 90712.

Agendas and minutes are available at the District's website, www.wrd.or

EXHAUSTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES – If you challenge a District action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing disorbed in this notice, or in written comespondence delivered b the Chief Financial Officer at organization. (In the public hearing, Any written correspondence delivered to the Chief Financial Officer Horiser the District Final action on a matter will become a part of the administrative root.

Groundwater Contamination Forums







WRD Groundwater Forum

March 16. 2016

Jessy Fierro, Project Manager

WATER REPLENISHMENT DU

Status Update

Los Angeles Forebay Groundwater Task Force

March 16, 2016

OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNI

Groundwater Investigation and Remediation Status Update Former TRW Hawthorne Site

> Steve Rowe, P.G. **Engineering Geologist** Site Cleanup Program, Unit III

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board



Dictions: The information contained herein intended for use only as a planning tool by Water Replexishment Dimits of Southon (2014) (Sortinal (WRD) personal The information is an atomated to replexion, replace, or sported any pointiation tool or anchod used by the United States Environmental Potencia Agency (Education (States) (Southones Control (DTSC)), the Long Agence Regards and a South Water Resonance Control (States) (D to Agence Regards March (Southones Control (DTSC)), the Long Agence Regards March (Southones Control (States)), the Long Agence Regards March (Southones Control (States)), the Long Agence Regards March (Southones Control (States)), the Long Agence Regards March (States) (Southones Control (States)), the Long Agence Regards March (States) (Southones Control (States)), the Long Agence Regards March (States) (Southones Control (States)), the Long Agence Regards March (States) (Southones Control (States)), the Long Agence Regards March (States) (Southones Control (States)), the Long Agence Regards March (States) (Southones Control (States)), the Long Agence Regards March (States) (Southones Control (States)), the Long Agence Regards March (States) (Southones Control (States)), the Long Agence Regards March (States) (States), states), and the Long Agence Regards March (States) (States), and the Long Agence Regards March (States) (States), and the Long Agence Regards March (States), and the L

DRAFT

High-Priority Contaminated Sites in the Central Basin and West Coast Basin



- Los Angeles Forebay Groundwater Contamination Task Force.
- Identified perchlorate "hot spot" in the City of Vernon (5,000 μg/L).
- Grant funding to address "Hot Spot" through Proposition 1.
- Nearly finished negotiating Grant Agreement (\$9,093,899).
- Work anticipated Oct. 2018 to Feb. 2023.



- Looking for other opportunities...
 - MOU with LARWQCB.
 - 2nd round concept proposals submitted for Prop 1.
 - SB445 funding through SCAP.

- 324 deep nested wells to 2,900'.
- Drilled by USGS.
- WRD samples wells Fall & Spring.
- Over 100 constituents analyzed with roughly 60,000 data points reported annually in our Regional Groundwater Monitoring Report.
- Data publically available via our Interactive Well Search Website. (<u>http://gis.wrd.org/</u>)

Geologic Cross-Section A-A"

Source: DWR, 1961 (Partial cross-section A-A'-A", Plate 6A).

Base of Fresh Water

Source: DWR, 1961 (Partial isopleth of fresh water, Plate 24A).

Change in Groundwater Levels

Groundwater Elevation Contours

2018

March 7, 2018

Updated: April 3, 2018

Water Replenishment District of Southern California

REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MONITORING REPORT WATER YEAR 2016-2017

Central and West Coast Basins Los Angeles County, California

March 2018

WRD Interactive Well Search – Updated in August 2018

Well Construction Report

Http/://gis.wrd.org

Things to consider...

- We do a pretty good job delineating sites laterally, but often fall short on <u>delineating sites vertically</u>.
- Dynamic work plans to speed up site characterization using Triad Approach. Increased use of high resolution site characterization (HRSC). Encourage the use of visualization software to better "see it".
- Continue to embrace innovative remediation methods such as using recirculation cells to increase amendment contact with groundwater via Enhanced Reductive Dechlorination (ERD).
- Work together to address contamination in the Central Basin and West Coast Basin (CBWCB).
- Continue to support and expand document availability in GeoTracker, EnviroStor, etc. Provide current site history, path forward, milestones, etc.

THANK YOU Brian Partington bpartington@wrd.org 562.275.4249

4040 Paramount Blvd. Lakewood, CA 90712

