

Sonoma Water

Clean. Reliable. Essential. Every Day.

2020 Urban Water Management Plan

> Public Hearing May 11, 2021





Purpose of Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP)

- Satisfy UWMP Act requirements
- Submit UWMP every 5 years to Department of Water Resources (DWR)
 - 2020 UWMP due July 1, 2021
- Prepare UWMP to DWR 2021 UWMP Guidebook requirements for wholesale water suppliers
- Provide a 25-year comparison of water supplies and demands (to 2045)
- Foundation for Water Contractors' Plans
- Informs water availability for WSAs (SB 610/221)



UWMP Flow Chart





- Projected water demands have decreased since 2015 UWMP projection
- Adequate water supply to reliably meet forecasted water demands through 2045 for average and multiple dry year scenarios
- Demand reduction and other conservation measures will be required for a single dry year scenario (similar to 2015 UWMP results)



Key Elements of 2020 UWMP

- UWMP preparation and coordination*
- System description
- System water use*
- System supplies*
- Water supply reliability assessment*

 Normal, single dry, and five consecutive dry years
- Drought risk assessment (lasting 5-yrs)*
 Starting after assessment for years 2021-2025



Key Elements cont.

- Climate change
- Energy intensity
- Water shortage contingency plan*
 - Six standard water shortage levels
 - Methodology for annual water supply and demand assessment
 - Seismic risk assessment (existing local hazard mitigation plan complies)
- Demand management measures
- Adoption and submittal



Coordination with Water Contractors

- Projected population (ABAG, DOF, Other)
- Projected demands for wholesale water
 - Contractor demands minus local supply, conservation, and recycled water = net wholesale demands
- Contractors & Marin Water use consistent methodology to develop their projected demands
 – Prepared by EKI Water & Environment
- Projected wholesale water supply amounts Average years, single dry years, multiple dry years (5)



Projected Population





Projected Wholesale Demands



Note: includes transmission system losses

Water Supply Modeling

- Assumptions (PVP, B.O., FIRO, Climate)
- Performed using Water Agency's Russian River Operations Model
- Uses 108 years of estimated unimpaired flow hydrology (1910-2017)
- Reservoir storage levels determined by previous end of the year storage (Conservative)
- Supply equals demand if end of the year storage is adequate



Supply to Demand Comparison

Normal Years, ac-ft/yr

	2025	2030	2035	2040	2045
Supply	65,020	69,177	70,725	72,588	74,547
Demand	65,020	69,177	70,725	72,588	74,547
Difference	0	0	0	0	0

Single Dry Years, ac-ft/yr

	2025	2030	2035	2040	2045
Supply	65,020	58,168	58,897	59,789	60,656
Demand	65,020	69,177	70,725	72,588	74,547
Difference	0	(11,009)	(11,828)	(12,799)	(13,891)
Sonoma Water	Difference to be managed through demand management and/or				

supply augmentation measures, as described in WSCP

Supply to Demand Comparison

Multiple Dry Years, ac-ft/yr

	2020	2025	2030	2035	2040
Supply	65,020	69,177	70,725	72,588	74,547
Demand	65,020	69,177	70,725	72,588	74,547
Difference	0	0	0	0	0



Minimum Lake Mendocino Storage, ac-ft

Year	Average Year	Single Dry Year*	Multiple Dry Years
2025	61,269	18,787	50,001
2030	60,553	18,050	49,240
2035	59,961	17,525	48,278
2040	59,792	17,282	48,534
2045	59,007	16,764	47,045

*Single dry year reliability significantly improved since 2015, due to forecast informed reservoir operations (FIRO)



Minimum Lake Sonoma Storage, ac-ft

Year	Average Year	Single Dry Year*	Multiple Dry Years
2025	178,645	61,628	156,597
2030	175,308	62,497	148,040
2035	173,333	59,620	146,977
2040	171,184	56,333	146,369
2045	168,987	52,905	140,058

*Storage levels below 100,000 ac-ft will require 30 percent reduction in diversions



Transmission System Modeling: Assess Timing & Need for New Projects

- Performed using Sonoma Water's hydraulic transmission system model
- Peaking factors developed based on historical water demand
- Timing for new projects based on storage tank levels declining below 50 percent full during a 5-day peak demand period
- Projected increased water demand developed over the planning horizon assigned to specific aqueducts where land use planning information was available



Future Water Supply Projects

Project name	Planned Implementation Year
South Transmission System Section 1	2030
South Transmission System Section 2	2035
Mirabel West Wells	2035



Drought Risk Assessment -Methodology

- Assesses reliability under a hypothetical five-year drought (2021-2025)
 - Starts with Oct. 1, 2020 actual storage levels and simulates five driest consecutive years on record (1987-1991)
 - Utilizes 2025 customer demand projections to be conservative (2021-2024 demands expected to be lower)



Drought Risk Assessment -Results

 Sonoma Water has sufficient supplies to meet demand in all DRA years

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Supply	65,020	65,020	65,020	65,020	65,020
Demand	65,020	65,020	65,020	65,020	65,020
Difference	0	0	0	0	0

Note: Although the DRA is modeled after the five driest consecutive years on record (1987-1991), actual hydrologic conditions in 2021 have been closer to the driest single year on record (1977).



Water Shortage Contingency Plan

Shortage Levels and Response Actions					
Shortage Level	Percent Shortage Range	Demand Reduction Actions	Supply Augmentation Actions		
1	Up to 10%	Notification of potential water shortageEncourage voluntary demand reduction			
2	10 - 20%	 Encourage enhanced voluntary demand reduction measures 	 Encourage wholesale customers to maximize use of local supplies Maximize use of Sonoma Water's groundwater wells 		
3	20 - 30%	Imposition of Section 3.5 allocations			
4	30 – 40%	 Petition SWRCB for temporary relief from minimum in-stream flow requirements Implement measures identified in Section 3.5e of Restructured Agreement 			
5	40 – 50%	 Implement measures identified in Section 3.5e of Restructured Agreement 			
6	>50%	 Implement measures identified in Section 3.5e of Restructured Agreement 			

18 A 18



Annual Supply and Demand Assessment

- To be prepared and submitted to DWR annually by July 1 (starting in 2022)
- 2020 UWMP includes procedures for conducting the annual assessment
 - Key data inputs: unconstrained customer demand, Russian River operations, hydrology and watershed conditions, Potter Valley Project inflows, weather forecasts and historical hydrological records



Public Outreach and UWMP Adoption

- City and County 60-day notification
- Email notice
- E-News, Social Media, Website
- TAC Ad Hoc meetings
- Coordination with GSAs
- Public hearing
- Adoption by governing body
- Submittal to DWR, State library, and cities/counties plus public availability



Next Steps

- Public hearing
- Plan adoption





