# PURE WATER MONTEREY GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT PROJECT

#### **JOINT PUBLIC HEARING HOSTED BY:**





#### IN ASSOCIATION WITH:



AUGUST 22, 2016 2:00 – 3:30 PM
MRWPCA ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
5 HARRIS COURT, BLDG. D, MONTEREY, CA 93940



### **PRESENTATION OVERVIEW**

- Purpose/Focus of Hearing and Ground Rules
- Regulations and permitting, by California Division of Drinking Water
- Pure Water Monterey Project Overview
- Summary
- How to submit comments on Engineering Report
- Questions/Comments

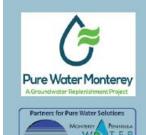


### **HEARING GROUND RULES**

- Silence phones
- Hold comments /questions until after presentation
- During public comment, please:
  - State your name for the record
  - Limit oral comments to 3 minutes per speaker
  - Comment only on Engineering Report for Title 22
- All written comments due by Sept. 1<sup>,</sup> 2016



### TITLE 22 ENGINEERING REPORT



#### **Revised Draft Engineering Report**

**Volume I: Engineering Report** 

Pure Water Monterey Groundwater Replenishment Project

May 25, 2016



H e | L o r Environmental Associates, Inc.





- Draft ER approved by DDW
- Final ER approval issued after considering public comments received through September 1<sup>st</sup>
- Available for public review:
  - www.purewatermonterey.org
  - MRWPCA office
- Demonstrates compliance with:
  - GWR Regulations
  - RWQCB's Basin Plan
  - SWRCB's Recycled Water Policy

### **PURPOSE FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

- Requirement of Title 22 (CA Drinking Water Act)
- Provide information to the public on the Engineering Report
- Provide opportunity for public comment to DDW prior to their decision on adequacy of Engineering Report for project permit
- Provides additional public outreach



### **PUBLIC OUTREACH**

### Project Outreach

- Demonstration Plant Tours (ongoing)
- Professional Conference and Community Group Presentations (ongoing)
- CEQA Process including numerous publicly noticed commenting opportunities

### Hearing Outreach

- Earned Media, Direct Mailings, Email to 2900 persons
- Pure Water Monterey Website, Social Media, Print Ads
- Direct mailing to all well owners and agents



### **GRRP REGULATIONS & PERMITTING**

- GRRP = Groundwater Replenishment Reuse Project
- California Code of Regulations Title 22, Div. 4, Ch. 3
   Water Recycling Criteria
  - Article 5.1 (§§ 60320.100 60320.130) Surface Application
  - Article 5.2 (§§ 60320.200 60320.230) Subsurface Application
- Permitted through Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) order after consulting with and receiving recommendations from DDW for protection of public health
- GRRP criteria in place since June 2014, but projects have been approved on a case-by-case basis for over 40 yrs



### **GOAL OF GRRP REGULATIONS**

Source of water supply that is "pure, wholesome, potable, and does not endanger health of consumers" (H&SC 116540)

- As safe as the high quality conventional drinking water sources
- Unregulated chemicals of concerns kept below levels found in the high quality conventional sources
- Low tolerable risk (Surface Water Treatment Rule)
  - 1/10,000 annual risk from pathogenic microorganisms
  - Appropriate monitoring
  - Multiple barriers for contaminants



#### **COMPONENTS OF GRRP REGULATIONS**

- Pathogenic Microorganism
   Control
- Advance Treatment Criteria
- Unregulated Chemicals Control
- Nitrogen Control
- Regulated Compounds

- Monitoring Program
- Response Retention Time
- Monitoring Wells
- Zone of Controlled Drinking Water Well Construction



#### TITLE 22 GRRP PERMITTING PROCESS

- Project sponsor (MRWPCA) submits proposal to SWRCB DDW
  - Concept Approval Letter (2014)
  - Draft Title 22 Engineering Report (2016)
- MRWPCA conduct public hearing
- MRWPCA will provide summary of public comments, may update and finalize draft Report for DDW consideration



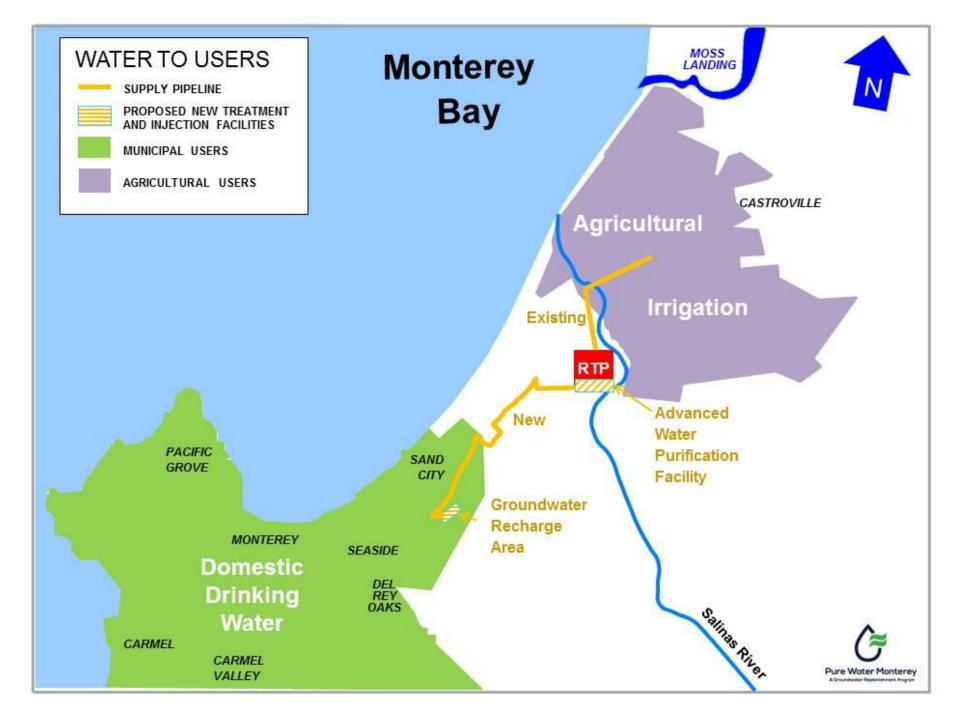
# TITLE 22 GRRP PERMITTING PROCESS (CONT'D)

- DDW accepts Report and provide recommendations to RWQCB
- RWQCB prepares draft order and adopts order at board hearing
- Prior to operation, MRWPCA submits an Operations
   & Optimization Plan to DDW for review and approval
- MRWPCA may operate the GRRP



# OVERVIEW OF PURE WATER MONTEREY PROJECT

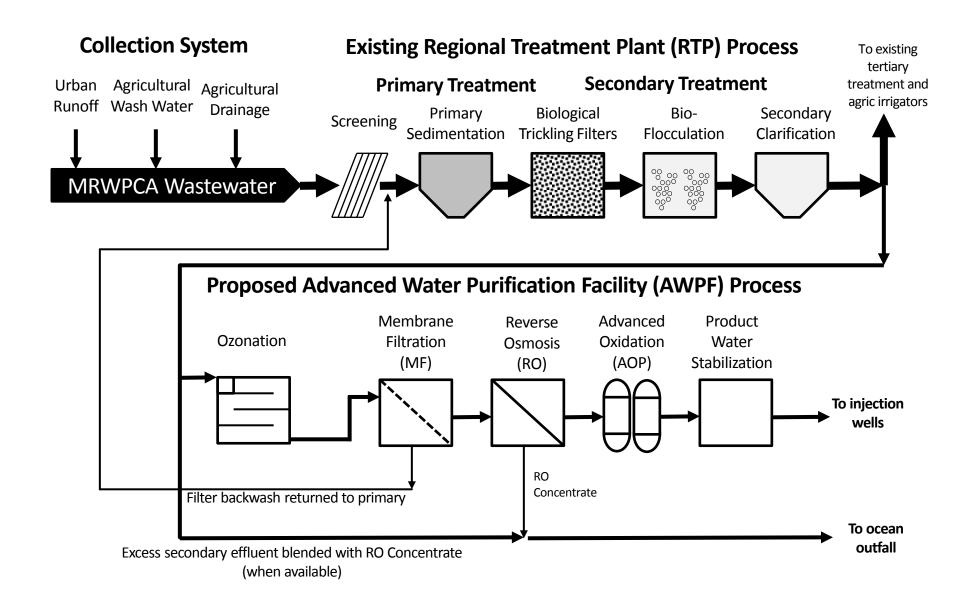




### **PURE WATER MONTEREY**

- Source Water municipal wastewater plus new water sources conveyed to MRWPCA RTP for treatment
- "Full Advanced" Treatment to produce 3,500 acrefeet per year of purified recycled water in accordance with California Water Recycling Criteria regulations
- Storage of Purified Recycled Water in Seaside Basin by subsurface application for subsequent extraction and delivery through the California American system; offsets existing use of Carmel River water on a 1:1 basis

### Pure Water Monterey Process Flow



# PURPOSE OF ADVANCED WATER PURIFICATION PROCESSES

Process	Pathogen removal	Organics removal	Salt removal	Additional purpose	
Ozone	•	•		Membrane filtration pretreatment	
Membrane filtration	•			Reverse osmosis pretreatment	
Reverse Osmosis	•	•	V	California Division of Drinking Water requirement	
Advanced oxidation with UV light	•	•		California Division of Drinking Water requirement	
Product water stabilization				Stability/corrosivity	



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- Source water quality testing: July 2013 June 2014
  - Storm water
  - Agricultural tile drain and wash water
  - Regional Treatment Plant final effluent
- Pilot testing: Oct. 2013 July 2014
  - With treatment by ozonation, membrane filtration and reverse osmosis
- Aquifer water quality testing
  - Basin monitored over the past 25 years and is ongoing
  - Over 275 constituents and parameters analyzed through MRWPCA field program

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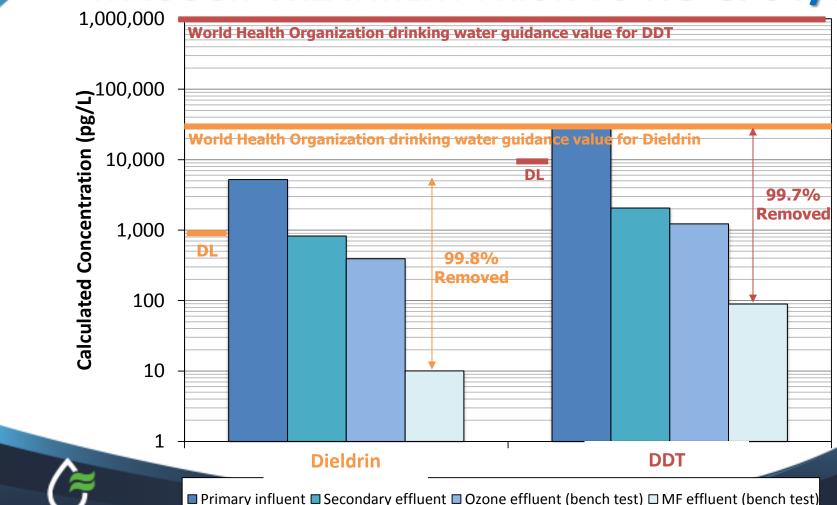
## FINISHED WATER QUALITY

Pilot study results show compliance with all Federal and State drinking water standards



#### PESTICIDE REMOVAL

### THROUGH TREATMENT PRIOR TO RO & UV/AOP





# CHEMICALS OF EMERGING CONCERN (CEC) REMOVAL THROUGH TREATMENT

- Ozone and RO removed CECs to levels below their detection limits, or below any limits linked to health concerns.
- Additional removal through the UV/AOP system



### INJECTION FACILITIES AREA

- Water levels have declined in the Seaside Groundwater Basin due to over-pumping
- Pure Water Monterey replenishes the aquifers—almost doubling the basin yield





### **INJECTION FACILITIES AREA**

- Up to 4 Deep Injection
   Wells in the Santa
   Margarita Aquifer
- Up to 4 Vadose Zone Wells (shallow) in the Paso Robles Aquifer
- Average injection of 3,500 AFY





### **GROUNDWATER QUALITY FIELD PROGRAM**

- Drilled 400 feet of whole core for mineralogical, hydraulic, and geochemical testing
- Conducted leaching tests in laboratory with stabilized pilot water and core samples
- Geochemical modeling demonstrated no adverse groundwater quality impacts

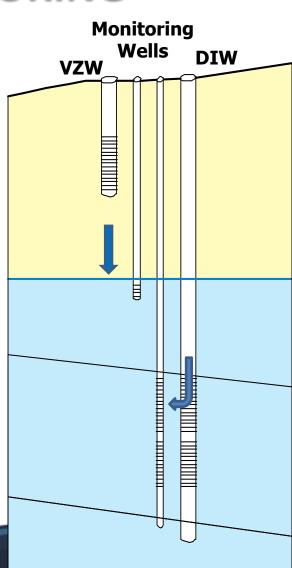






### **GROUNDWATER MONITORING**

- Monitoring well clusters confirm water quality at injection well
- Additional monitoring wells track water quality between injection and water supply wells
- Monitoring wells used for baseline data, tracer testing, and routine monitoring





### FINDINGS OF ENGINEERING REPORT

- Pure Water Monterey purified water will meet:
  - State Uniform Water Recycling Criteria for Groundwater Recharge
  - Basin Plan groundwater quality standards
  - State/federal drinking water quality standards.
- Treatment methods selected for redundancy multiple barriers for constituent removal
- Monitoring program to document project performance and safety
- Injection of purified recycled water will <u>not</u> degrade groundwater quality and will improve basin yield
- Regulatory safeguards to public health protection required by regulations, including response time and source control



# **PROJECT SCHEDULE**

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Environmental			(0	ompleted)		
Impact Report						
CEQA Plus					in progress	s)
<b>Source Water Rights</b>					in progress	·)
Permits					iii progress	) 
CPUC Water						
Purchase Agreement				(Ir	progress)	L
Title 22 Report					in progre	ss)
Permitting					/ira	\
Design and					(III	progress)
Construction						



### **SUMMARY**

- Pure Water Monterey (PWM) will supply purified recycled water to new Seaside Groundwater Basin injection wells
  - Offsets use of Carmel River by CalAm
- Utilizes the most advanced technologies in practice in California for producing high quality, purified recycled water; goes beyond the minimum requirements of the State
- Multiple safeguards will ensure safety of water
- Project has support of regulatory agencies
- Operation of PWM will begin only after full approval from Department of Drinking Water (DDW) and Regional Water Quality Control Board



### **USE AND RESPONSE TO COMMENTS**

- All comments from the public must be submitted in writing
- Oral comments are welcome, but must be received via comment card, email, letter or fax to be considered by DDW
- As appropriate, DDW will incorporate comments into permitting recommendations to the Regional Water Board
- Formal response to comments will not be prepared



### **OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT**

- State your name for the record
- Limit oral comments to 3 minutes per speaker
- Comment only on Engineering Report for Title 22
- Follow-up with written comments by 5:00 PM Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> via mail, fax, or email to:

Yohana Vargas, Contracts Administrator 5 Harris Court, Building D Monterey, CA 93940

Fax Number: (831) 372-6178

Email: Yohana@mrwpca.com



### **CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Submit written comments by 5:00 PM on September 1, 2016 via mail, fax, or email to:

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