

Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency

GSP Implementation Near Term Activities

Board of Directors Meeting

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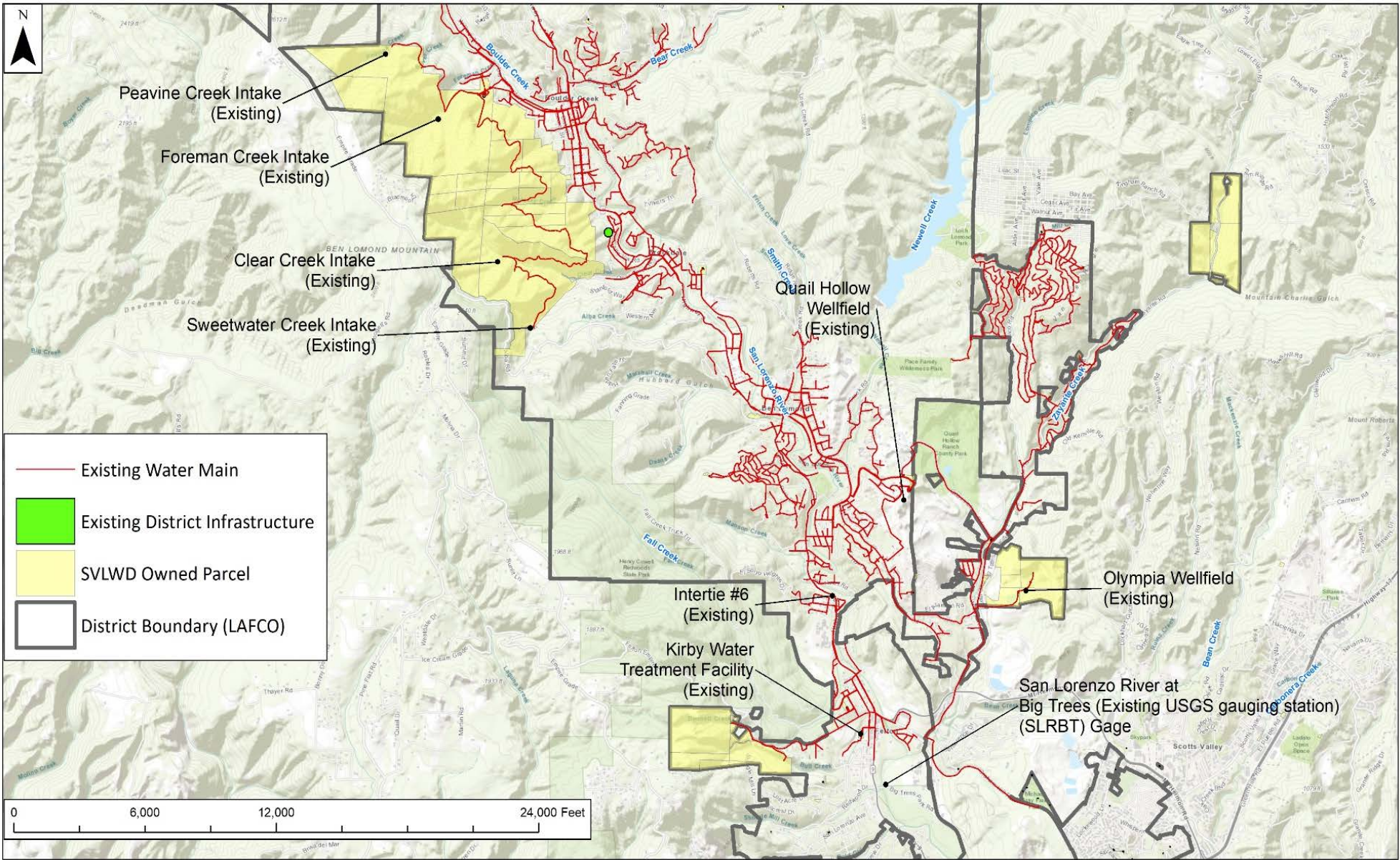
Inter-District Conjunctive Use

Carly Blanchard, San Lorenzo Valley Water District

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Inter-District Conjunctive Use (SLVWD)



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► Background

- Conjunctive Use Plan (CUP) was developed under a Wildlife Conservation grant administered by the County of Santa Cruz awarded in 2018.
- The grant's deliverables included:
 - Two studies:
 - (1) the Water Availability Assessment (WAA) and;
 - (2) the Fisheries Resource Considerations and;
 - The CUP and;
 - CEQA analysis (Initial Study - Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS-MND))

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► Description

- CUP was developed as a framework for implementing the most beneficial surface and groundwater supply reliability projects.

The elements of the proposed project include:

- Non-emergency Use of three System Interties
- North System Diversion transfers to the South & Felton Systems
- Felton System Diversions to North & South Systems
- Loch Lomond Reservoir

Inter-District Conjunctive Use (SLVWD)

- ▶ Objective: The CUP allows flexibility to move water from where it is available to where it is needed within the District's jurisdiction, in a manner that creates net benefits for instream flows in the watershed and groundwater basin.
- ▶ The District's operations are comprised of three largely independent water systems:
 - ▶ North System located in the San Lorenzo Valley;
 - ▶ South System located in the Scotts Valley area; and
 - ▶ Felton System located in Felton.
- ▶ 313.4 AF annually from the Loch Lomond reservoir.

Inter-District Conjunctive Use (SLVWD)

- ▶ Linkage with Other Projects and Status
 - ▶ This project was initially defined and evaluated jointly by the County of Santa Cruz and San Lorenzo Valley Water District. It is listed as a high-priority project management action in the GSP submitted by SMGWA in January 2022.



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Aquifer Storage and Recovery

Heidi Luckenbach, City of Santa Cruz

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Aquifer Storage and Recovery (SCWD)

- ▶ Brief Introduction to Santa Cruz Water System
- ▶ Objective of an ASR project in the Santa Margarita Groundwater Basin
- ▶ Background & Description of Work Performed
- ▶ Linkage with Other Projects
- ▶ Project Task Status



Aquifer Storage and Recovery (SCWD)

Santa Cruz Water System - Introduction

- ▶ 1985-1989: North Santa Cruz County Water Master Plan - Regional and Local focused projects including additional groundwater
- ▶ 1989 - 1997: Recognition of need to increase storage including enlarging Loch Lomond as well as interties
- ▶ 1997 - 2013: Implementation of the City's Integrated Water Plan focusing on Conservation - Curtailment - Regional Seawater Desalination
- ▶ 2013 - 2015: Water Supply Advisory Committee (WSAC)
- ▶ 2015 - present: Implementation of the WSAC work plan including additional conservation, water transfers & exchanges, and feasibility evaluation of ASR in the Mid-County and Santa Margarita Groundwater Basins



Aquifer Storage and Recovery (SCWD)

Objectives of ASR in the Santa Margarita Groundwater Basin

- ▶ Contribute to the ability of Santa Cruz Water Department to meet supply reliability goals (WSAC, 2015)
- ▶ Contribute to attaining sustainability of the basin by meeting sustainable management criteria by 2042
- ▶ Promote conjunctive use of resources and regional collaboration



Aquifer Storage and Recovery (SCWD)

Background & Description of Work Performed

- ▶ City of Santa Cruz Water Supply Advisory Committee (2015)
- ▶ ASR Phased Evaluation (2015 - present)
- ▶ Groundwater Modeling for Scotts Valley Water District Kennedy Jenks (2015)
- ▶ Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency Concept (2021)
- ▶ City of Santa Cruz Water Rights Project (2021)



Aquifer Storage and Recovery (SCWD)

Background & Description of Work Performed/WSAC

- ▶ WSAC Recommendations: Conservation, Transfers & Exchanges with neighboring water agencies, ASR, Recycled Water, Desalination
- ▶ The ASR concept includes the diversion of excess winter and spring water from city sources, treatment at the Graham Hill Water Treatment Plant and injection into the Mid-County and/or Santa Margarita Groundwater Basin
- ▶ At that time ~600mgd was estimated as available for injection
- ▶ 10% losses were assumed



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Background & Description of Work Performed/ASR

► ASR Phased Evaluation (2015 – present)

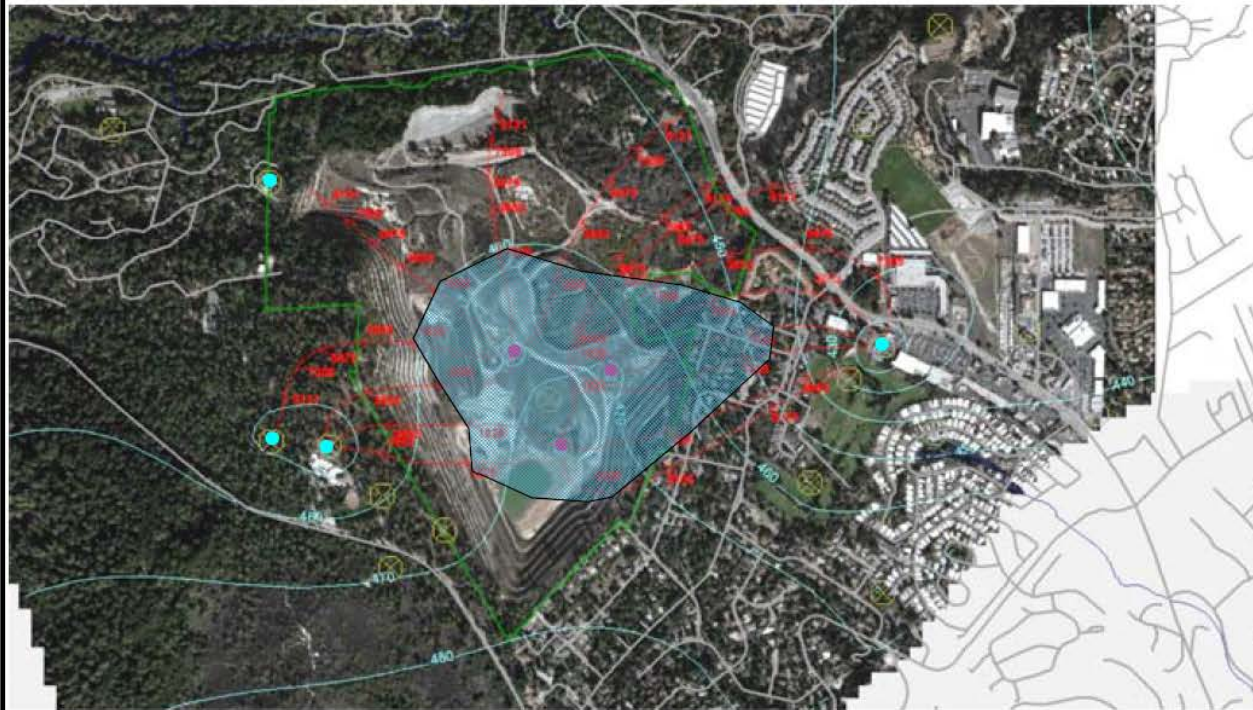
- Phase 0 - Reconnaissance-level work focused on review of published information, review of existing wells, etc.
- Phase 1 - **Technical Feasibility Analyses:** Performance of higher-level technical feasibility investigations including groundwater modeling, completion of site-specific injection capacity and geochemical interaction analyses, and development of an ASR pilot testing program. (1-2 years)
- Phase 2 - **Pilot ASR Testing:** Performance of an ASR pilot testing program and assessment of probable ASR system performance, costs and schedule to complete build-out of the ASR system. (1-2 years)
- Phase 3 - **Project Implementation:** Development of full-scale ASR project basis-of-design, construction of ASR system facilities (*perhaps incrementally*), establishment of ASR project operational parameters, and long-term operation of project to achieve target storage volumes. (2-10years)



Aquifer Storage and Recovery (SCWD)

Background & Description

GW Model results show underground retention time to nearest drinking water wells is significantly greater than the required 2 months minimum.



- Existing Drinking Water Well
- Proposed Purified Water Injection Well
- Extent of 5-year Underground Retention Time

Kennedy/Jenks Consultants



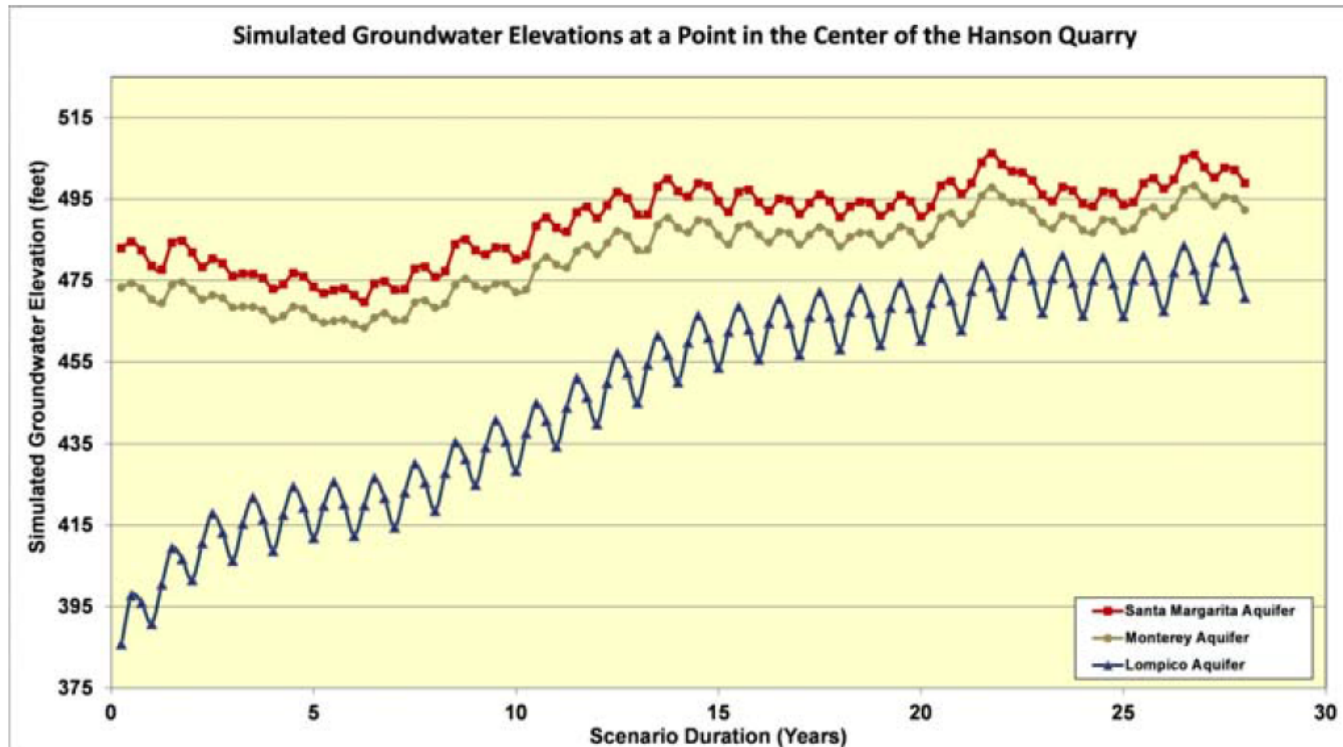
Reference: "Hanson Quarry GWR Project RW Facilities Planning Study" Presentation By Kennedy/Jenks Consultants to the Santa Margarita Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee (11/18/2015)



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Background & Description

The GW Model shows that the Lompico Aquifer under HQ can continue to receive the volumes of injection water for over 20 years



Lowest Surface Elevation in Hanson Quarry - 554 feet

Elevation of SM/Lompico Contact - 480 feet

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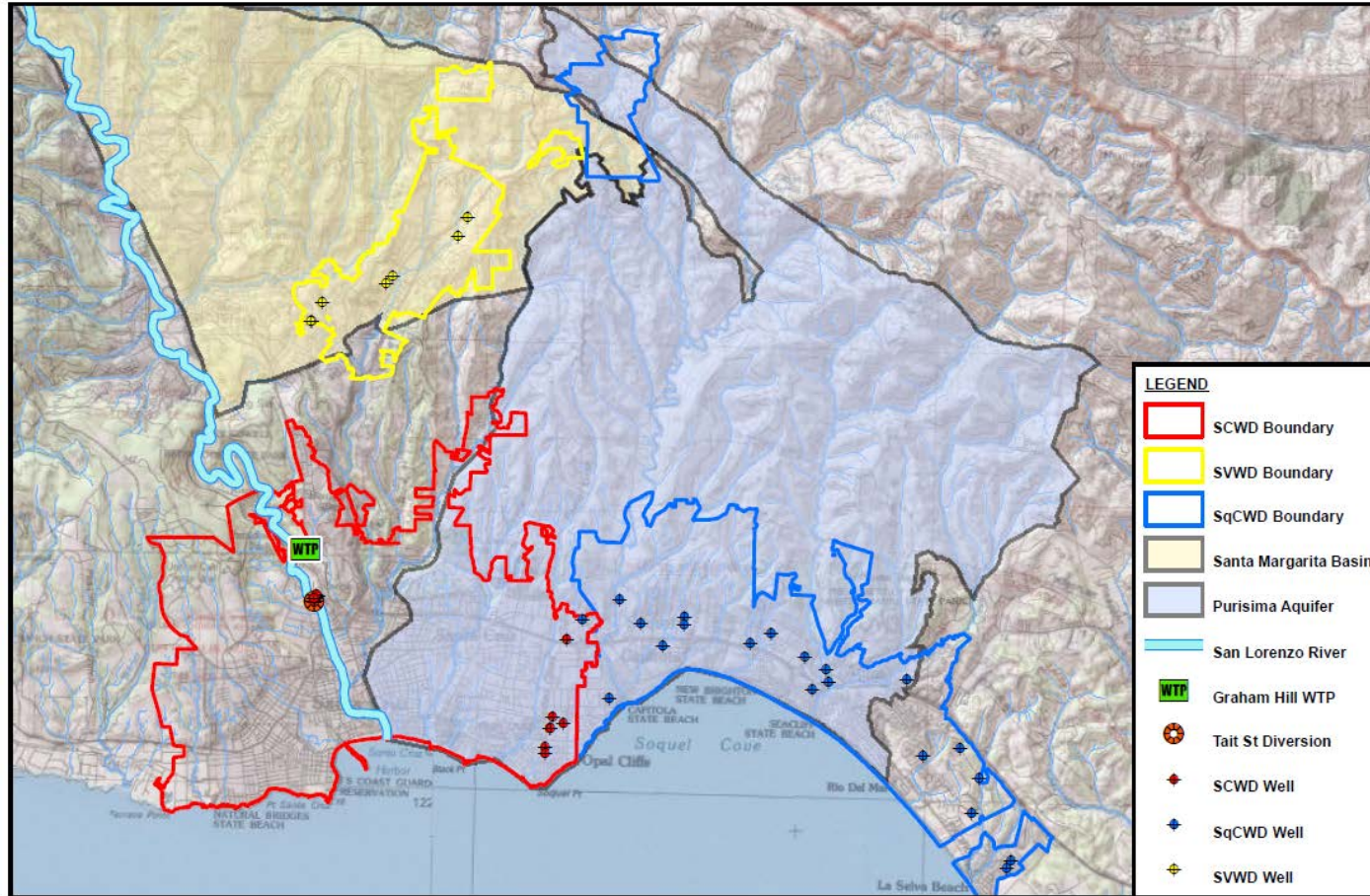
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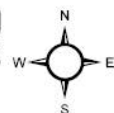
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Background & Description

May 2015
Project No. 14-0101



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1 inch = 10,000 feet
0 5,000 10,000 20,000 Feet

FIGURE 1. STUDY AREA LOCATION MAP
Reconnaissance-Level ASR Study
Stratus Consulting / City of Santa Cruz WSAC

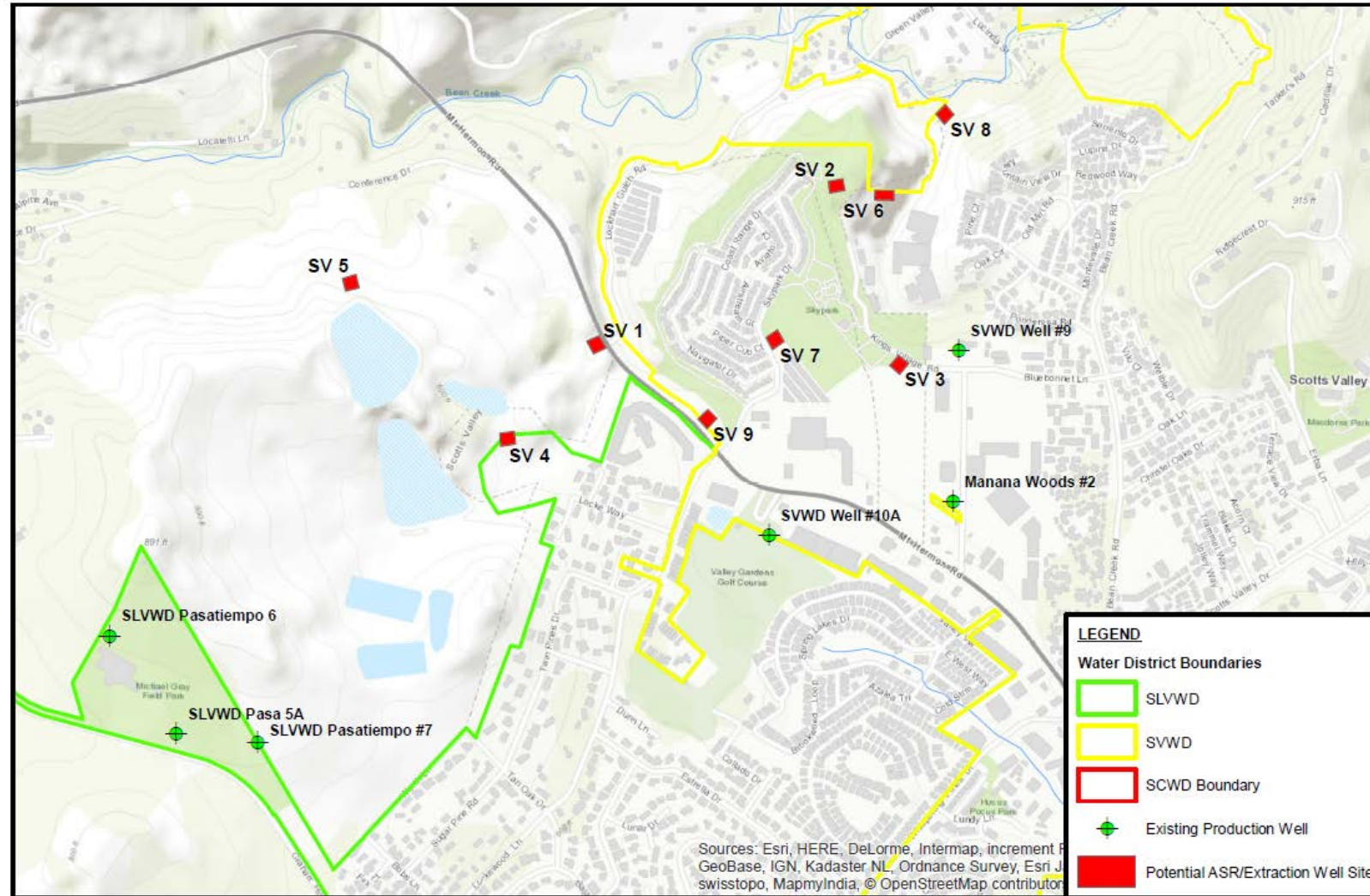


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Background & Description

July 2018
Project No. 15-0111

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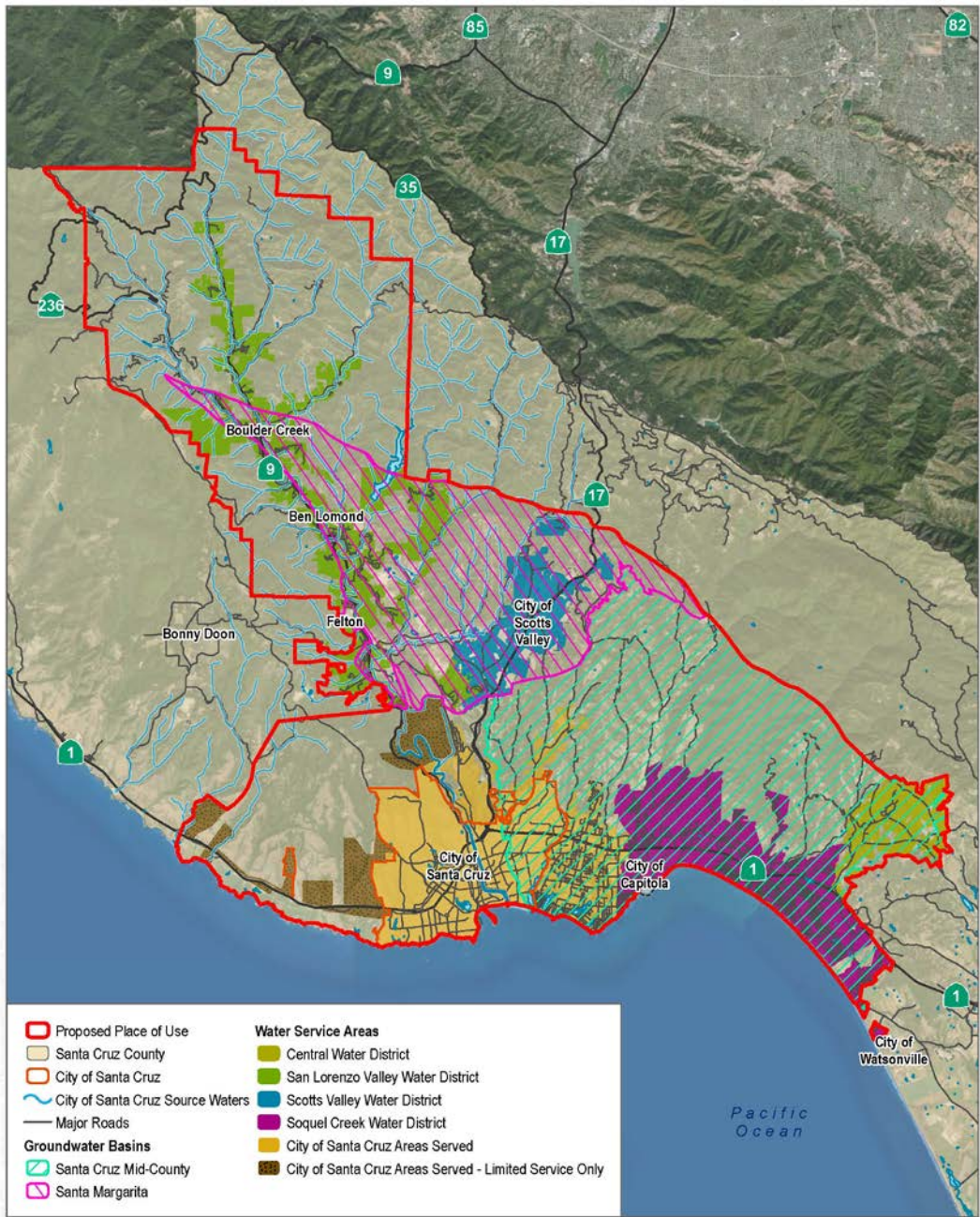


Santa Cruz Water Rights Project

Background & Description

Table 3-3. Project and Programmatic Components

Proposed Project Components	Project Components	Programmatic Components
WATER RIGHTS MODIFICATIONS		
Place of Use	✓	
Points of Diversion	✓	
Underground Storage and Purpose of Use	✓	
Method of Diversion	✓	
Extension of Time	✓	
Bypass Requirement (Agreed Flows)	✓	
INFRASTRUCTURE COMPONENTS		
Water Supply Augmentation Components		
Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR)		✓
New ASR Facilities at Unidentified Locations		✓
Beltz ASR Facilities at Existing Beltz Well Facilities	✓	
Water Transfers and Exchanges and Intertie Improvements		✓
Surface Water Diversion Improvements		
Felton Diversion Fish Passage Improvements		✓
Tait Diversion and Coast Pump Station Improvements		✓



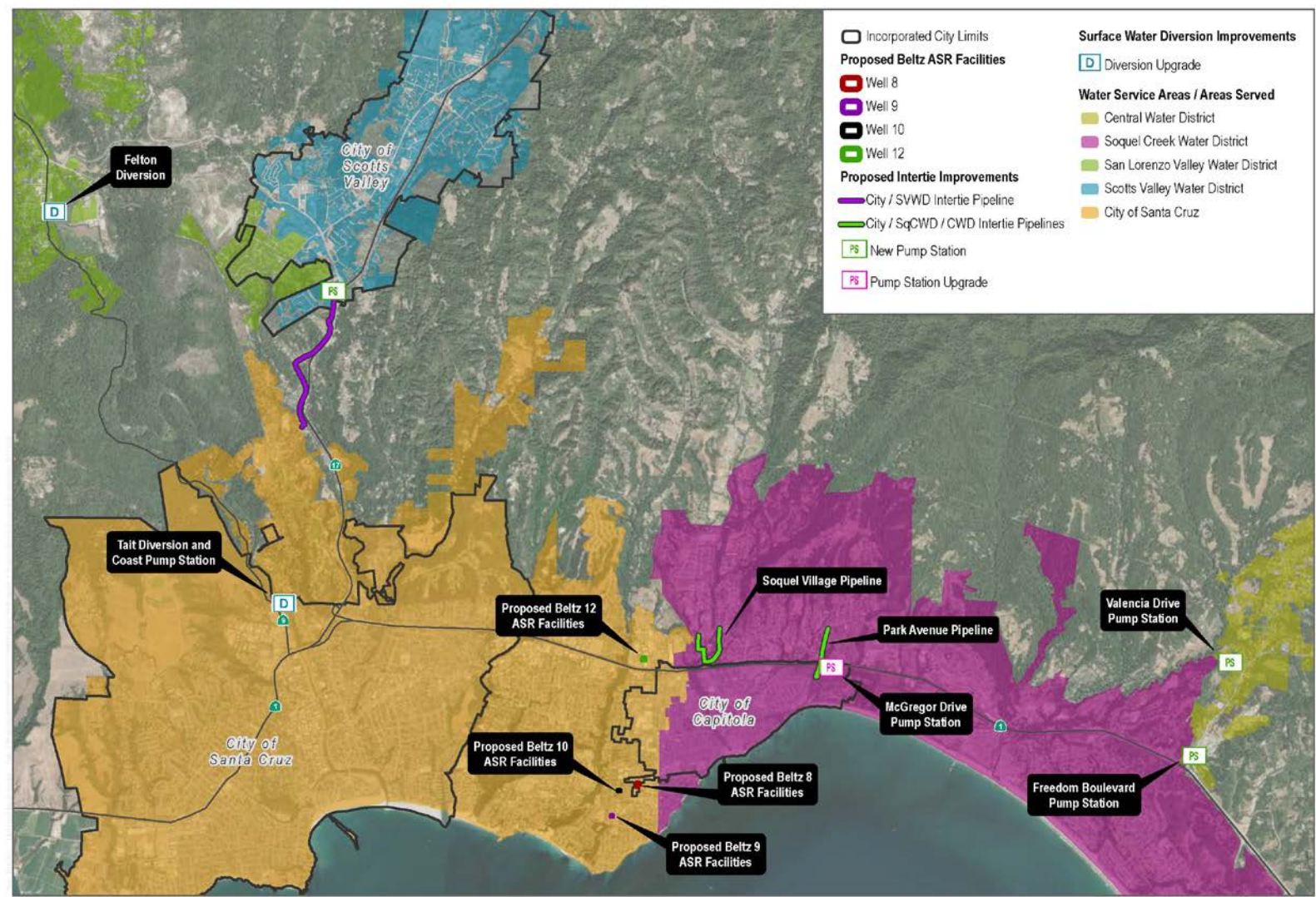
SOURCE: ESRI 2020, County of Santa Cruz 2020, City of Santa Cruz 2020

DUDEK 0 1.5 3 Miles

FIGURE 3-3
Potential Regional Partnering Water Districts
Santa Cruz Water Rights Project

Aquifer Storage and Recovery (SCWD)

Linkages with Other Projects



SOURCE: Bing Maps Accessed 2020, Kennedy/Jenks Consultants 2012 and 2014, URS 2013, County of Santa Cruz 2020

DUDEK 0 3,250 6,500 Feet

FIGURE 3-4
Proposed New and Upgraded Infrastructure Components
Santa Cruz Water Rights Project



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Project Status

7. Schedule Table of Priority Next Project Tasks

See below from WSAC preliminary ASR work plan

Phase	General Description	Task #	Task	Estimated Duration (years)
1	Higher-Level Feasibility Analyses	1.1	Identify / Select Existing Well(s) for Potential Pilot ASR Testing	0.25
		1.2	Perform Site-Specific Injection Capacity Constraints Analysis for Selected Existing Well	0.25
		1.3	Perform 3-component Geochemical Interaction Modeling	0.25
		1.4	Develop Pilot ASR Testing Program	0.25
		1.5	Identify Potential New ASR Well Sites	0.5
		1.6	Preliminary Groundwater Modeling of ASR Scenarios (parallel to above tasks)	0.5 - 2.0
			Phase 1 Duration Subtotal	1 - 2
2	Pilot ASR Testing	2.1	Retrofit Existing Well for Pilot ASR Testing (temporary facilities)	0.25
		2.2	Perform Injection Well Hydraulic Testing	0.25
		2.3	Develop Multiple ISR Cycle Testing Program (based on results of T 2.2)	0.25
		2.4	Implement Multiple ISR Cycle Tests	1.0 - 2.0
		2.5	Refined Groundwater Modeling of ASR Scenarios (based on results of T 2.4)	0.5
		2.6	Develop Design-of-Design for Permanent ASR Well Facilities	0.5
			Phase 2 Duration Subtotal	2 - 4
3	Project Implementation	3.1	Procurement of ASR Facilities Properties / ROW	1.0
		3.2	Design / Engineer ASR Well Project Facilities (parallel with T 2.1)	1.0
		3.3	Perform CEQA for Permanent ASR Project	0.5
		3.4	ASR Well Drilling and Production Testing	1.5
		3.5	Infrastructural Improvements (diversion/treatment/conveyance) parallel with T 2.4	1.5
		3.6	Perform ASR Demonstration Testing and Develop Site-Specific Operational Parameters	1.0 - 2.0
			Phase 3 Duration Subtotal	4 - 6
			Total Estimated Duration	6 - 11

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Project Task Status

5A. Project Task Status

Task Type	Status				Report Title and Date/ Link if applicable
	Not Applicable	Completed	Outstanding Project Tasks		
			Initiated, Not Completed	Not Initiated	
Preliminary Feasibility Studies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Hydraulic Modeling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Groundwater Modeling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Right of Way Definition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Water Availability Analysis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Water Quality Analyses (surface and groundwater compatibility)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Very high level work has been initiated
Hydro-Geochemical and Related Groundwater Analyses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Groundwater Anti-Degradation Analysis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Pre-Design Report	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Injection Project Pilot Testing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Preliminary Design	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Preliminary Environmental Analysis and Permitting Requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Water Rights Modifications	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Cost Estimates	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Development of Inter-Agency Agreements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Only early discussions are being held
Implementation Planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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Purified Wastewater Recharge
David McNair, Scotts Valley Water District

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Purified Wastewater Recharge (SVWD)

Background:

- ▶ Scotts Valley Water District has conducted feasibility studies looking at local and regional recycle water sources to provide an Indirect Potable Reuse groundwater injection system as a means to recover the Santa Margarita Ground Water Basin (SMGWB)
- ▶ The Santa Cruz Regional Recycled Water Facilities Planning Study completed by the City of Santa Cruz (City) in 2018 evaluated recycled water alternatives.
- ▶ A Phase 2 Recycled Water Feasibility Study currently underway is evaluating Soquel Creek Water District's (SqCWD) Pure Water Soquel (PWS) Project, the recent studies by SVWD looking at local and regional alternatives, and the Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency (SMGWA) Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP).



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Purified Wastewater Recharge (SVWD)

Description:

- ▶ Utilizing recycled water as a supplemental supply source for groundwater replenishment helps to achieve ground water sustainability through local and regional collaboration.
- ▶ Soquel Creek Water District (SqCWD) is constructing the Pure Water Soquel project. It will treat Santa Cruz wastewater and produce purified water for groundwater injection to replenish the Mid-County groundwater basin and prevent seawater intrusion.
- ▶ The Pure Water Soquel project is sized to produce 1,500 AFY with the potential expansion to 3,000 AFY if other local or regional demands arise.



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Purified Wastewater Recharge (SVWD)

Objective:

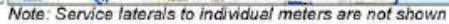
- ▶ Concept 1. Maximize tertiary production at SqCWD's Pure Water Soquel Facility providing tertiary recycled water to an advanced water treatment facility in Scotts Valley for groundwater recharge in the SMB.
- ▶ Concept 2. Maximize purified water production at SqCWD's Pure Water Soquel Facility providing purified recycled water to Scotts Valley for groundwater recharge in the SMB.
- ▶ Both concepts could provide non-potable reuse to customers along the way such as the DeLaveaga Golf Course, Pasatiempo Golf Course and SVWD recycled water customers

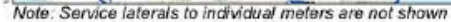


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Purified Wastewater Recharge (SVWD)

Linkage with Other Projects:

- ▶ This project was initially defined and evaluated by the Scotts Valley Water District and the City of Santa Cruz.
- ▶ The SMGWA GSP includes this in its Projects and Management Actions (PMAs).



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Next Steps

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