Meter Upgrade Project Project Update

Board of Public Utilities Study Session April 20, 2017



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Our mission:

Protecting public health

by sustaining water

resources, infrastructure

and the environment



Why Upgrade Meters?

- Aging Meters with Various Reading Methods
- Water Savings
- Leak Detection
- Enhanced Customer Service
- CIP Planning and Design
- Greenhouse Gas Reductions





Advanced Metering Infrastructure

Technology and Data Flow Meter Meter Data Interface Unit Collection Unit Asset Management Cloud GIS Databases Others Water Billing (CIS)



Board Oversite

- Multiple Study Sessions
- Public Hearing
- One-on-One Meetings
- Budget Subcommittee Review
- Board Member Dowd on Selection Committee



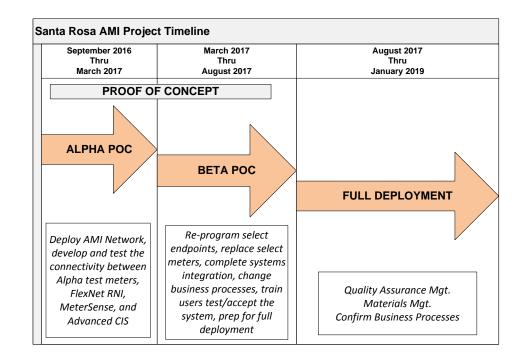
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Approval Process

- July 2013 Feasibility study accepted
- December 2013 Approval to proceed
- June 2016 Contract negotiations complete
- July 2016 Contract approval and adoption of Mitigated Negative Declaration

Project Planning

- Project kick off
- Detailed project plan completed
- Testing plans completed
- Training plans completed
- Outreach plan completed



Communications & Outreach

Currently in development:

- advanced notification postcards
- webpage
- FAQ's
- brochure
- internal education materials

Additional engagement opportunities:

- events
- newsletters
- social media
- news releases
- updates

System Software

- Sensus backhaul system (RNI)
- MeterSense meter data management (MDMS)
- Advanced Utility Systems (CIS) billing software
- Hansen asset management





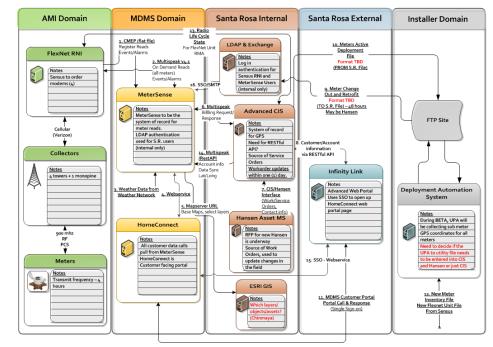
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> SMARTWORKS COMPASS MeterSense

Integrations

Sensus and MeterSense

- Data transfers
 - equipment
 - reads
 - notifications



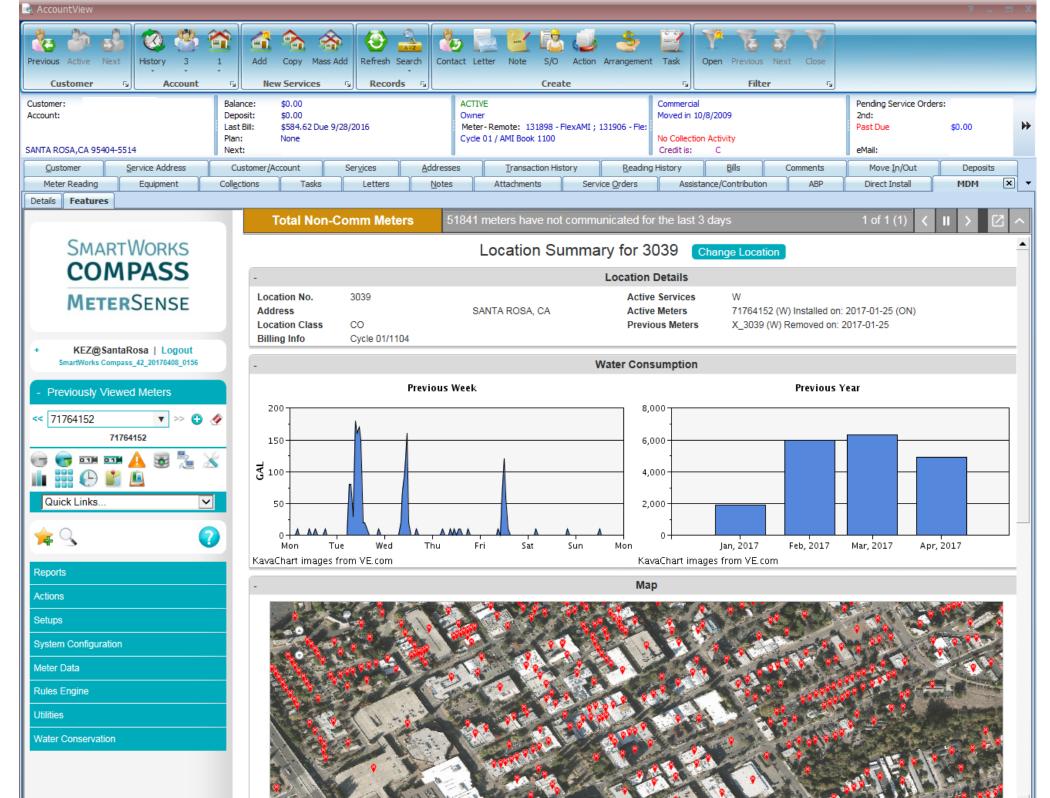
Santa Rosa Data Flow & Integration Diagram

MeterSense and CIS

- Account / Meter information
- Embedded reports and functionality
 - account report
 - on demand reads
 - access to full system







Alpha Testing

39 Meters converted

various uses and sizes

Being read by backup base station at UFO

successfully transferring two way data

Reads being used for billing

Testing alerts and notifications

meters on test bench

Testing all associated software

Preliminary training

Installation Software

- Utility Partners of America (UPA)
- Work Order Management System (WOMS)

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Additional Resource

- Work order process
 - assets added to Hansen automatically
 - work orders manually added to Hansen
 - up to 200 daily
 - interface to CIS (billing software)
 - clean up work to complete accurate billing
- Add limited term customer service rep to process work
- Cost covered by current contingency for project

Next Steps

- Reprogramming 750 +/- meters for Beta
- Full system integration testing
 - from read to bill
 - two way alerts and notifications
- Antenna installation
- Training
- Full deployment end of 2017
- BPU May 4, 2017
 - consideration of limited term CSR





Questions?



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