

City of Santa Rosa



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Title:	PUBLIC HEARING - 2015 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN AND 2015 URBAN WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN				

BACKGROUND: The Urban Water Management Planning Act (Act) requires every urban water supplier that provides water for municipal purposes to more than 3,000 connections or supplying more than 3,000 acre-feet per year (AFY) of water to adopt and submit an Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) every five years, in years ending with a "5" or "0". The deadline for water suppliers to adopt their 2015 UWMP was extended from December 31, 2015 to July 1, 2016. The City is an urban supplier of water for approximately 53,000 connections supplying approximately 20,000 AFY of water and is therefore required to comply with the Act.

The Act requires very specific information to be included in the UWMP and requires the urban water supplier to hold a public hearing to review and adopt the UWMP. The City's previous UWMP was the 2010 UWMP, which was adopted by the City Council in June 2011. The Act also includes a requirement to prepare an Urban Water Shortage Contingency Plan (Shortage Plan), which details how a community would react to a reduction in water supply up to 50%. Santa Rosa's Shortage Plan was initially adopted in 1992 and, prior to this 2015 update, the Shortage Plan was most recently updated and adopted by City Council in June 2011.

The Water Conservation Subcommittee of the Board of Public Utilities met multiple times from February through April 2016 to participate in the development of the 2015 UWMP and the 2015 Shortage Plan. The Board of Public Utilities reviewed the 2015 UWMP and the 2015 Shortage Plan in Study Session on April 21, 2016 and reviewed and recommended the updates to the 2015 UWMP and the 2015 Shortage Plan at their meeting on June 2, 2016. The Council will consider the update to both the 2015 UWMP and the 2015 Shortage Plan.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Board of Public Utilities and the Water Department that the Council, by resolution, adopt the 2015 Urban Water Management Plan and the 2015 Urban Water Shortage Contingency Plan, the latter of which is included as an Appendix to the 2015 Urban Water Management Plan.

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