



**TOWN OF
WINDSOR**

*Draft Water Master Plan
Update*

Proposed CEQA Approach

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Overview

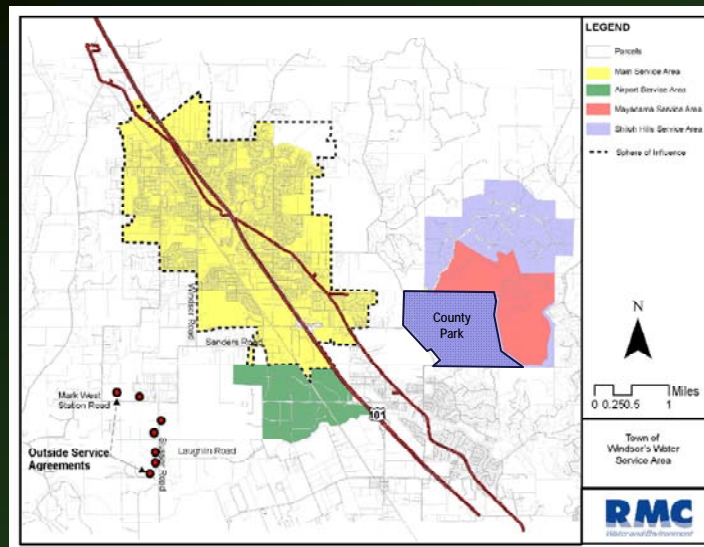
- CEQA Process
- Service Area
- Previous (2000) Master Plan
- 2009 Draft Master Plan Update
- Draft Master Plan (Project) Definition
- Potential Alternatives under CEQA
- Proposed CEQA Approach
- Direction from Council on CEQA Approach

CEQA Process

- Analyze the Environmental Consequences of the Draft Water Master Plan
- Consider those Consequences before approving the Final Water Master Plan

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Town of Windsor Service Areas



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Previous Water Master Plan (Year 2000)

- Based on General Plan growth and buildout timing
- Water consumption at historical demand patterns (130 gpd per capita)
- Demands projected to be 16 mgd, maximum day
- Facilities projected to be needed:
 - Wells River wells improved; no new off-river wells installed
 - Tanks None implemented
 - Pipelines Some improvements made

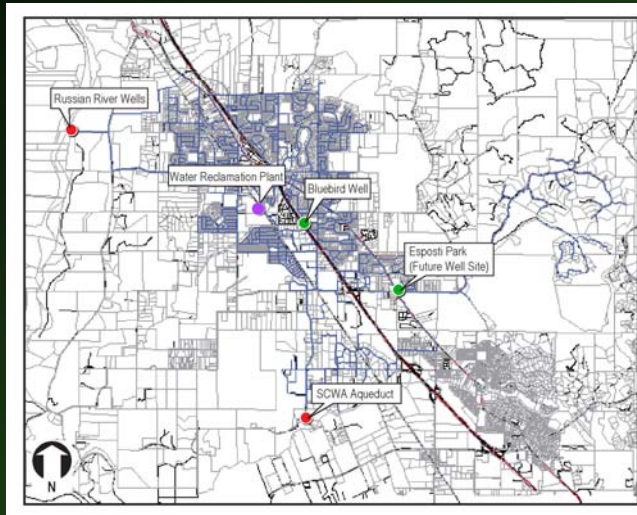
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Draft Water Master Plan Update 2009

- Not based on General Plan growth & buildout timing (slower growth and longer buildout)
- Consistent with current development patterns (compact development) and with General Plan land uses
- Conservation reflected in reduced demand (110 gpd per cap.)
- Resultant demands projected to be 12 mgd average day (vs. 16 mgd in 2000)
- Facilities projected to be needed:
 - Wells (off-river)
 - Tanks
 - Pipelines
 - Plus sustainable groundwater plan

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Current Sources Provide Some Diversity of Supply



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Draft Master Plan (Project) Definition

- Replace off-river wells for backup supply (Bluebird and Esposi)
- New wells for incremental supply (Hiram Lewis/Arata area)
- Sustainable Groundwater management
- Construct new water storage tanks
- Improve water mains to relieve current & future bottlenecks

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The Project Alternative Includes Diversity of Supply



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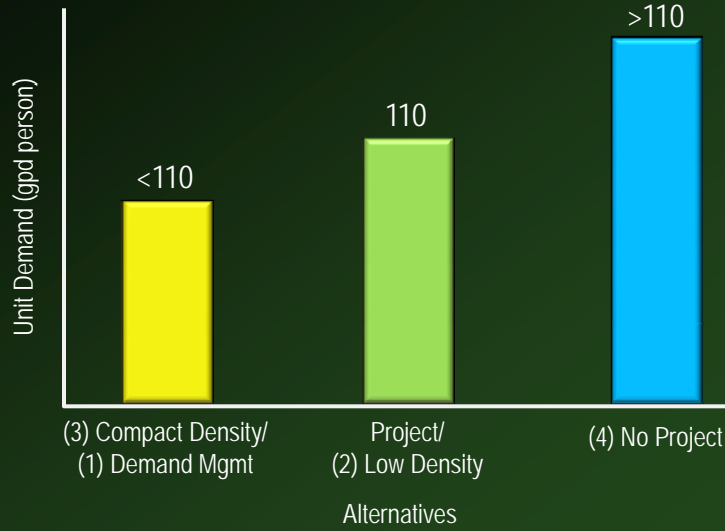
CEQA Alternatives Allow Analysis of Planning Assumptions

Proposed Project – densities at midpoint

1. Demand Management Alternative – densities at midpoint
2. Low Density Alternative – densities at low end
3. Compact Land Use Alternative – density at high end for multi-family housing; midpoint for others
4. No Project – density same as 2000 Master Plan Assumptions

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Per Capita (unit) water use varies across alternatives



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Facilities Across Alternatives Vary Slightly

Alternative	Water mains	Well replacement	Water storage tanks	New off-river wells
Project	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
1. Demand Management	Yes	Yes	Yes, but smaller	Yes, but smaller
2. Low Density	Yes	Yes	Yes, but smaller	Maybe
3. Compact Land Use	Yes	Yes	Yes, but phased	Yes, but phased
4. No Project	Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Yes, but no gw storage

* Facilities as described in 2000 Water Master Plan and CEQA document

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Sustainable Groundwater Management



Included in all alternatives *except* no project

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Proposed CEQA Approach

Prepare Programmatic EIR for Draft Water Master Plan Update 2009

- Identify Project Elements and Planning Assumptions (land uses, densities, etc.)
- Disclose range of impacts associated with project elements
- Analyze Well Defined Elements Common to all alternatives (storage tanks, water main and well upgrades) at a Project Level

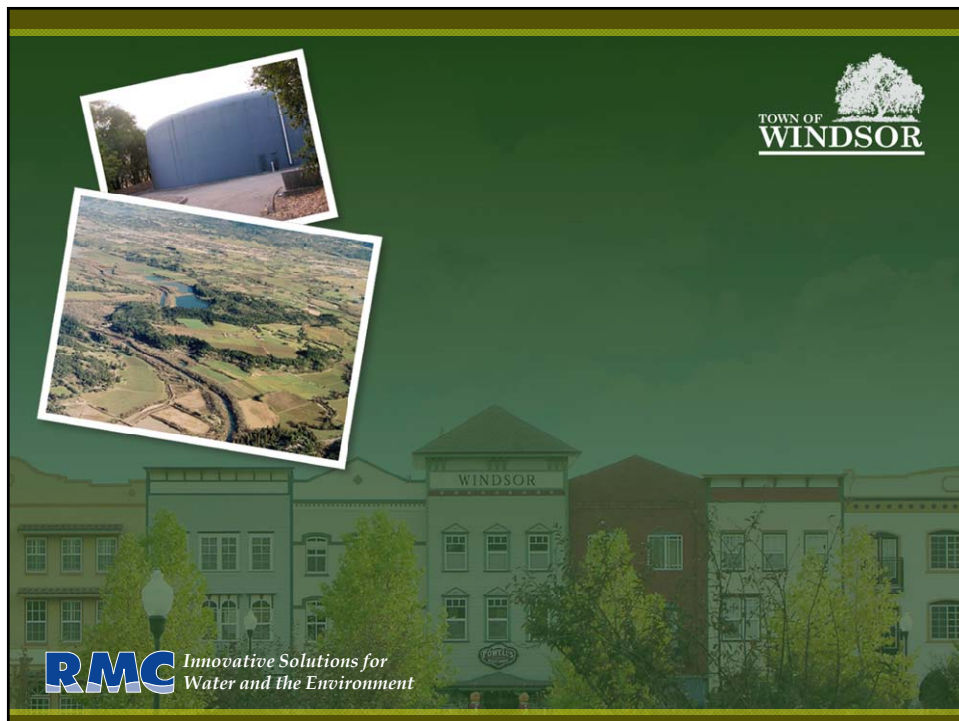
Certify EIR and Approve Final Water Master Plan Update 2009

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Council Action

- Provide Direction to Public Works staff on implementing CEQA Approach

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Project Objectives

- Upgrade and maintain water distribution system that meets regulatory and Town-specified criteria for fire protection and delivery at safe and proper pressures
- Water system storage for normal and fire-flow conditions
- Water supply can meet demands reliably (with largest well/tank/pump out of service)
- Upgrade facilities to fix deficiencies in already developed areas
- Diversify water supplies to meet varied weather and regulatory conditions
- Meet current and future demands with less capital intensive facilities which can be phased in incrementally

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Project Objectives (cont.)

- Meet demands while sustaining surface water resources in the Russian River and groundwater resources in the local basin
- Maintain sustainable water supply system, upgraded with new facilities that minimize impacts to natural resources consistent with CA Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (AB 32)
- Provide orderly and efficient service within Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) based upon concurrency between development and availability of public services
- Provide for water service outside of the UGB consistent with existing agreements

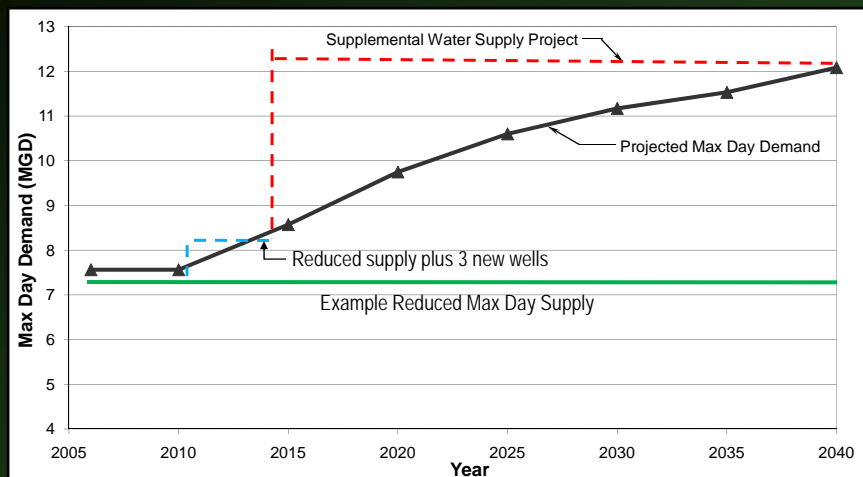
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Some Improvements Needed Immediately for Existing Residents/Customers

- Off-river wells for backup and emergency
- Storage tanks for meeting peak demands

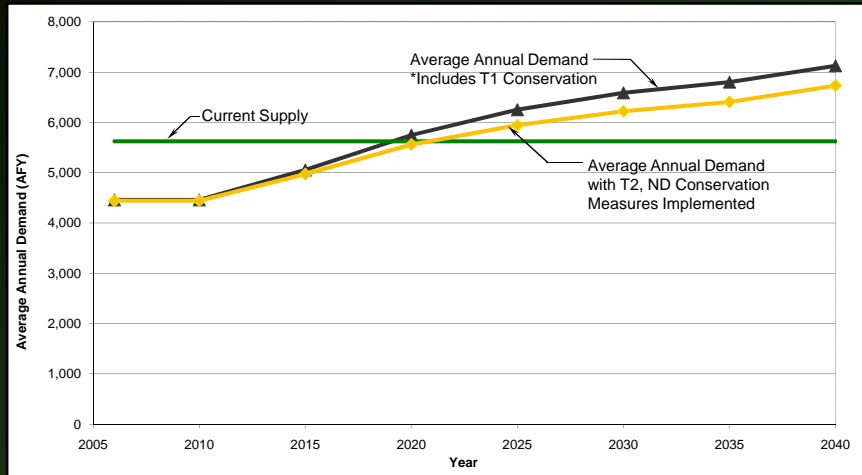
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New Supplemental Water Supplies will be Needed Sooner to Meet Projected Demands if Reduced Supply Conditions Ordered by State persist



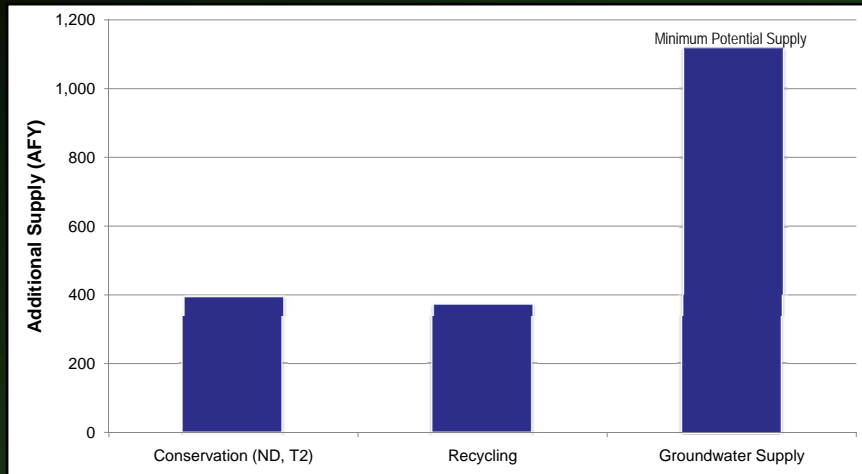
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Average Annual Supply Estimates Can Be Extended with Conservation



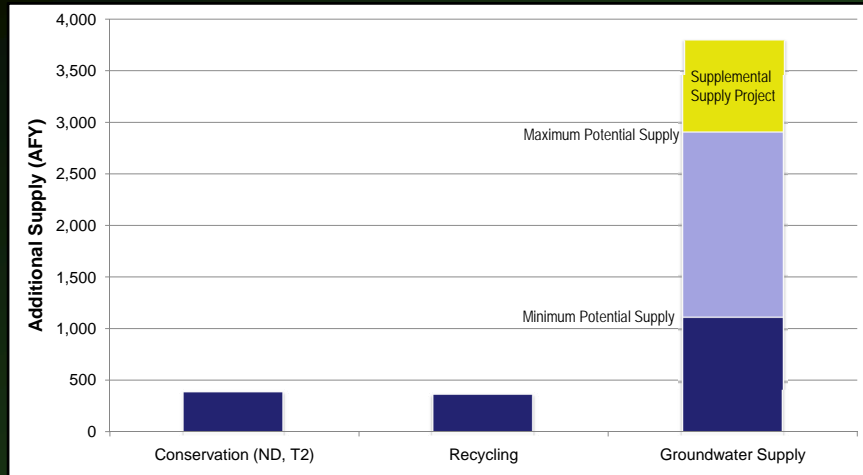
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Sources of Additional Supply



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Estimated Costs of Project/Master Plan Update 2009

Project Type	Timeframe	Project Description	Estimated Budget (\$M)
Water Supply Projects	2010 to 2015 and beyond	Replacement and New Wells; evaluation of groundwater storage and recharge	\$16.3
Water Storage Projects	2010 to 2015 and 2020 to 2025	4.5 million gallons of water tank capacity	\$7.9
Water Distribution Projects	2010 to 2035, phased	Water mains throughout distribution system, including interconnecting piping at wellfield and storage sites	\$9.9
Total			\$34.1

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Allocation of Estimated Costs of Project/Master Plan Update 2009

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Total			\$34.1	Existing 15.6 Future 18.5

* Only \$2.2 million in current CIP Phase (2010-2015)



CIP Phasing Summary

Phase	Timeframe	Estimated Budget (\$M)
Phase 1	2010 to 2015	\$14.9
Phase 2	2015 to 2020	\$12.5
Phase 3	2020 to 2025	\$4.8
Phase 4	2025 to 2035	\$2.0
Total		\$34.1



Short Term Recommendations (1-5 Years)

- Continue well exploration program.
- Install replacement wells (Bluebird & Esposti).
- Explore groundwater potential in North/Hiram Lewis Park area.
- Research water rights for storage of winter flows.
- Evaluate more aggressive water conservation program.
- Evaluate urban recycled water program expansion.

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Long Term Recommendations (6-10 Years)

- Develop third well field (North/Hiram Lewis area).
- Develop local managed groundwater storage program.
- Participate in regional groundwater storage program.
- Implement expanded conservation program.
- Implement expanded urban recycled water program.

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