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Carpinteria Valley Water District Post Office Box 578 Carpinteria, California 93014

Attention: Mr. Charles Hamilton, General Manager

Subject: Carpinteria Groundwater Basin, Annual Report for 2013

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

This annual report presents a summary and description of groundwater conditions in the Carpinteria groundwater basin for calendar year 2013. This represents the 11th annual report that has been prepared to assist the Carpinteria Valley Water District (District) in its ongoing efforts (pursuant to its AB3030 Groundwater Management Plan) to manage the groundwater resources of the basin and provide information on water level and water quality conditions to all users of groundwater in the basin. The intent of the annual report is to provide a brief narrative and graphics that document the "health" of the basin's groundwater resources, trends in groundwater levels and water quality, information on land use, and annual groundwater pumpage. Information on the development of the program, selection of wells to be sampled and surface water sampling points, etc., is available in prior reports prepared for the District.

Four large maps form an integral part of this report. Plate 1 - Water Level Hydrograph Map, April 2013, depicts wells in the basin used for purposes of water level measurements and to assess changes in groundwater in storage. This map shows the physical limits of the groundwater basin, locations of several key wells, historical variations in water levels, and water level contours during the period of April 2013. Plate 2 - Water Level Hydrograph Map, October 2013 depicts water level contours during October 2013. Plates 3 and 4 depict the approximate location of wells that are used to monitor water quality in the basin. These two maps depict trends of several important water quality constituents for groundwater and surface water that are routinely obtained as part of the semiannual water quality data collection program. The data provide information on the concentration and spatial distribution of total dissolved solids (TDS), nitrate, and chloride. These maps are updated annually and are included in each annual report.

PRECIPITATION

Groundwater recharge occurs by direct infiltration of precipitation, streambed percolation, irrigation return flow, and to a limited extent, by underflow from the "hill and mountain" area. Precipitation in the Carpinteria area for the 2013 calendar water year was recorded at a scant 5.7 inches at the Carpinteria Fire Station, which was 70 percent below the long-term average. Precipitation data at the Carpinteria Fire Station have been collected continually since 1949, since when the average annual precipitation has been 19.6 inches.

A graph showing the cumulative departure from average precipitation is presented as Figure 1. The departure from average precipitation is the difference between precipitation in a specific year and the average precipitation for the period. Figure 1 depicts the sum of these departures over time (cumulative). The cumulative departure curve depicts periods of





subsequent wet and dry periods by combining annual deviations from average conditions, thereby "stacking" the change from subsequent years. Based on the cumulative departure from average precipitation at this station, there have been a series of cyclic wet and dry periods. Within the period of record, extended dry periods have occurred between 1949 and 1961 (13 years) and again between 1984 and 1990 (seven years). The current dry cycle has now lasted from 1999 to 2013 (15 years). A summary of the hydrologic cycles is summarized as Table 1 – Summary of Precipitation Data. During the 1949 to 1961 dry period, the cumulative departure from average annual rainfall declined by over 40 inches. During the dry period of 1984 to 1990, total rainfall declined by 37 inches. During the current dry period of 1999 to 2013, the total rainfall has declined by 38 inches.

Time Period, Calendar Years	Hydrologic Condition	Duration, Years	Cumulative Departure, Inches	Inches Decline or Rise/Year
1949 – 1961	Dry	13	-45	-3.4
1962 – 1977	Alternating Wet and Dry	16	7	0.5
1978 – 1983	Wet	6	38	6.4
1984 – 1990	Dry	7	-37	-5.3
1991 –1998	Wet	8	66	8.3
1999 – 2013	Dry	15	-38	-2.5
2009 - 2013 WY*	Dry	5	-19	-3.8

Table 1. Summary of Precipitation Data

Note: * 2009–2013 time period included for comparison to recent Carpinteria Groundwater Basin Hydrologic Budget Update, which is based on water years whereas this report is based on calendar years.

Groundwater Levels

Water level measurements were made by District staff on a bimonthly basis for approximately 31 wells in the basin during 2013. The locations of these wells are shown on Plates 1 and 2. The water level data were obtained from District staff and hydrographs prepared for 18 key wells, which are shown on Plates 1 and 2. The data from approximately 28 wells were then used to prepare water level elevation contours, which are shown on Plate 1 for the April 2013 period and on Plate 2 for the October 2013 period. The contours are representative of water levels within wells perforated in several depth zones. Therefore, the contours represent a composite of many different depth zones, not water level conditions in a single, common aquifer. As is usual, several wells included in the water-level measurement program or nearby wells were being pumped and the water levels in surrounding wells were influenced by pumping wells at the time of the water level measurements.

During April 2013, the time period presented on Plate 1, an apparent pumping depression was present in the central portion of the basin generally in the vicinity of the District office. The pumping trough was as deep as about 8 to 10 feet below sea level in the central portion of the groundwater basin associated with groundwater pumpage at the time of the April 2013 measurement period. At that time, the groundwater level at the coast was between a level slightly below sea level, as measured in shallow Well -30D1 (2.1 feet below sea level) and above sea level by 7.3 feet as measured in Well -23A2. Water levels throughout the District fell during the second half of calendar year 2013 in response to below average rainfall.



During October 2013, the time period presented on Plate 2, the apparent pumping depression in the central part of the District continued to be evident to a greater degree than during April 2013 due to seasonal groundwater pumpage, as is common during the fall. During the October water level measurements, the pumping trough was as deep as 10 to 14 feet below sea level in the central portion of the basin. At that time, water levels at the coast lowered to a level between 4 feet below sea level in shallow Well -30D1 and above sea level by 5 feet as measured in Well -23A2 in the far western portion of the basin. The only other well included in the groundwater level measurement program in the general area of the coast is Well -19M3, which is located 2,700 feet inland from the coast and is very shallow (56 feet) where, during October 2013, the groundwater was 4.2 feet below sea level. At a location 1,400 feet further inland from Well -19M3, at Well -19F4, groundwater levels remained above sea levels throughout 2013.

As in previous years, which have exhibited similar water level declines near the coast, there is no documented evidence of sea water intrusion in the basin.

Water level data from the 20-year period including the years 1994 to 2013 indicate that water levels are commonly higher in the winter and spring due to recharge from precipitation and seasonal reduction in groundwater pumpage, and relatively lower in summer and fall due to pumping of groundwater from wells within the District. In general, the hydrographs presented on Plates 1 and 2 illustrate that during the 7-year period of 2006 through 2013, water levels in Storage Unit No. 1 have locally declined by as much as 15 to 25 feet, and in the far eastern portion of the District, groundwater levels have declined by as much as 40 feet. Average annual groundwater pumping in the basin over the five year period between 2009 and 2013 was about 3,655 acre-feet per year (afy). During 2013, due to below average precipitation and moderate groundwater pumpage in the range of 3,400 afy (refer to Figure 2), water levels in the central part of Storage Unit No. 1 have locally declined or risen by as much as 6 feet (refer to Plates 1 and 2) relative to 2012.

Although there are a limited number of wells monitored in Storage Unit No. 2, available data indicated water levels appear to have declined by less than 10 feet in the past three years. This limited decline in groundwater levels is likely due to the limited amounts of groundwater pumped from this storage unit.

Groundwater Use

Groundwater pumpage in the basin occurs both from District production wells (see Plates 1 and 2) and from about 100 private wells. Pumpage from District wells is metered. The District supplies imported water andocal groundwater to numerous agricultural parcels of known acreage and crop type (lemon, avocado, greenhouse, flower fields). From these metered deliveries, unit water use values for various crop types are used to estimate private groundwater pumpage. For calendar year 2013, unit water values were assigned to land uses based on 2012 land use imagery. Based on these calculations, a private pumpage estimate of 3,060 acre-feet was calculated. Summaries of District groundwater pumpage and imported water amounts for 2013 are included in Appendix A - Supporting Data "Public Water System Statistics".

Groundwater pumpage from the basin by the District in calendar year 2013 was 312 acre-feet. Water purchased and imported into the District in calendar year 2013 was 4,513 acre-feet. The volume of groundwater pumpage by the District was approximately 32 percent of the 20-year District average of about 978 afy. Groundwater pumpage in the District



between calendar years 1994 and 2013 is presented in Figure 2 - Water Use and Precipitation Data, Carpinteria Valley, and in Table 2 - Water Use and Precipitation Data. Imported water volumes (Casitas MWD, State Project Water, and Lake Cachuma water) and seasonal precipitation totals are also provided in Appendix A. As indicated, groundwater pumpage from the basin between 1994 and 2013 has averaged about 3,553 afy, and ranged from as low as 2,484 afy during 2001, to as high as 4,088 afy during 2012. Although the District typically pumps about one-quarter to one-third of the total groundwater pumped, the District pumpage during 2013 amounted to only 9 percent of the total pumpage.

Calendar Year	Rainfall (inches)	Estimated Private Pumpage (acre-feet)	Metered CVWD Pumpage (acre-feet)	Imported Water (acre-feet)	Total Pumpage (acre-feet)	District Use (percent)
1994	15.02	2,780	1,305	3,206	4,085	32
1995	41.35	2,418	1,340	2,995	3,758	36
1996	25.86	2,597	1,410	2,896	4,007	35
1997	19.98	2,504	1,242	3,429	3,746	33
1998	41.35	2,481	469	3,549	2,950	16
1999	8.91	2,400 ¹	535	3,907	2,935	18
2000	18.99	2,400 ¹	1,210	2,959	3,610	34
2001	24.23	2,400 ¹	84	3,497	2,484	3
2002	12.28	3,116	662	3,774	3,778	18
2003	14.62	2,596	446	3,769	3,042	15
2004	19.42	2,698	1,265	3,884	3,963	32
2005	27.20	2,183	940	3,693	3,123	30
2006	16.86	2,270	1,142	3,147	3,412	33
2007	9.67	2,606	1,340	2,684	3,946	34
2008	19.22	2,865	1,074	2,842	3,939	27
2009	14.39	2,596	1,488	2,835	4,084	36
2010	26.30	2,294	742	3,157	3,036	24
2011	14.56	2,428	1,365	2,673	3,793	36
2012	12.43	2,896	1,192	3,356	4,088	29
2013	5.73	3,060	312	4,513	3,372	9
Mean	19.42	2,575	978	3,338	3,553	27
Maximum	41.35	3,116	1,488	4,513	4,088	36
Minimum	5.73	2,183	84	2,673	2,484	3

Table 2. Water Use and Precipitation Data

Notes: 1) 1999 to 2001 private pumpage estimated based on long-term average.

The estimates of the safe yield for the groundwater basin have been reassessed several times during the past 30 years. Most recently in 2012 Pueblo Water Resources, Inc. completed a modeling study of the District's groundwater basin and arrived at a revised "practical rate of withdrawal," or "operational yield" of the basin of 3,600 to 4,200 afy based on long-term hydrologic conditions. Prior to the most recent estimate, a value of 4,500 to 5,000 afy was considered the "safe yield" of the basin, (GTC, 1976 and 1986). In 2003, the District retained the firm of Integrated Water Resources, Inc. to perform an independent review of this value. The results of that study reasserted that a basin "safe yield" in the range of 4,500 to 5,000 afy was



appropriate. Since that time, the District has discontinued reference to "safe yield" but has instead referred to an "operational yield," which is understood as a range of long term average annual pumpage at which no undesirable effects will occur.

The total groundwater pumpage has not exceeded the prior "safe yield" range of 4,500 to 5,000 afy, nor the upper limit of the current "operational yield" of 4,200 afy during the most recent 20 year period. Further, the average pumpage of 3,553 afy is below the lower bound of the current "operational yield" of 3,600 afy.

During 2014, a hydrologic budget for the groundwater basin, originally developed as part of the creation of a groundwater flow model, was updated for the period of water years 2009 through 2013. The hydrologic budget update indicated that during the most-recent 5-year period between water years 2009 and 2013, the groundwater basin experienced a net average annual storage depletion of 618 acre-feet per year. Notably, the data presented during this period, which occurs during a dry hydrologic condition, generally supports the trends of groundwater pumpage and precipitation presented in this report, although that report is based on a water year basis (Tables 1, 2 and Figure 2). The memo report is included in the appendix.

GROUNDWATER QUALITY

Groundwater quality in the Carpinteria basin is monitored by collecting samples from as many as 30 wells and 6 surface water stations on a biannual basis (spring/fall). The data collection program was initiated by the District in early 1999. Laboratory analyses performed included a full range of inorganic chemical constituents typically referred to as "Irrigation Suitability Analysis."

Groundwater quality in the basin continues to be suitable for most uses. As shown on Plates 3 and 4, TDS concentrations for most wells range from 600 to 1,000 milligrams per liter (mg/l).

Of interest, nitrate concentrations (as nitrate) within Well -19MI have been elevated in past years with concentrations of over 400 mg/l in 2005. Since then, nitrate concentrations have declined to as low as 68 mg/l and were approximately 240 mg/l in both samples collected during 2013. By contrast, nitrate concentrations within Well -19E1 were much lower, with a maximum concentration of 22 mg/l during 2013. Nitrate concentrations within Well -28F7 (Lyons Well) have been rising for the past several decades to a value of 39 mg/l in 2013 (expressed as nitrate).

During 2013, chloride concentrations within Well -19MI and adjacent Well -19E1 have been above 350 mg/l. Chloride concentrations in well -19MI have remained relatively steady and elevated for the past several years with a recent up-tick to 364 mg/l during the fall of 2013. Well -19M1 is 204 feet deep and likely has very shallow perforations although the actual depth interval is unknown. Well -19E1 is located approximately 900 feet north and is a relatively shallow well. As in past years, comparison of water quality data from the two wells shows that, although chloride concentrations are higher than many monitored wells, neither nitrate nor TDS in Well -19E1 are as elevated as those in Well -19M1.

Chloride concentrations within Well -30D1, located near the coast and originally completed to a depth of 210 feet, have been rising since 2008 from a concentration of less than 30 mg/l until 2011, since when concentrations have moderated to below 80 mg/l. Neither nitrate nor TDS concentrations have been elevated in Well -30D1 during this time since 2008 relative



to wells located in the central portion of the basin. Because the depths of the perforated interval in the well are not known, and because it has been noted that the measured total depth of the well is much shallower than 210 feet, this well is not considered an appropriate "sentinel" well for early warning of seawater intrusion.

Groundwater in the basin is generally characterized as calcium bicarbonate in chemical nature and locally demerited by the presence of elevated nitrate and chloride concentrations in shallow aquifers in Sections 19 and 20 of the basin. Other than the locally high nitrate concentrations in Section 19 and 20, and slightly elevated chloride concentrations in Well - 30D1, which have moderated since 2011, the groundwater quality appears stable with no long-term trends toward impairment.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

Based on the data for 2013 and the preceding years, aquifers in the Carpinteria basin continue to be adequately recharged during average to above average precipitation years, and provide a generally high quality of groundwater for the prevailing usages. During the spring and fall of 2013 water levels in the central part of Storage Unit No. 1 continued to remain at elevations moderately below sea level. Groundwater pumpage from the basin in 2013 was estimated to be approximately 3,372 afy, which does not exceed the lower bound of the "operational yield" estimate of 3,600 afy. During 2013, pumpage has moderated compared to 2012, which with continued below-average rainfall, caused water levels in the central portion of the basin to rise modestly compared to the previous year. At the coast, water levels have not changed significantly during 2013 relative to 2012. No adverse water quality conditions or trends are apparent in the basin other than the occurrence of elevated nitrate and chloride ion concentrations in two shallow wells in the western portion of the basin.

We recommend that the data collection program (water levels and water quality) be maintained in its current form in the subsequent years with the following modifications:

With the observed depression in water levels in the central part of Storage Unit No. 1 the District may consider expanding the water quality monitoring program to include additional wells and more frequent monitoring (perhaps quarterly) in that area for general mineral constituents, particularly chloride ion concentrations. The expanded monitoring should focus on qualified wells (suitable depth and perforated interval) located in Sections 19, 20, 28, and 29.

In conjunction with this increased monitoring, the installation of several monitoring wells located in key areas where hydrogeologic data are lacking should be considered. These additional monitoring wells should be designed to monitor groundwater levels and groundwater quality and levels in aquifers A though C and be provided with dedicated transducers to collect groundwater water level and electrical conductivity data (such as CTD Divers).

With the continuation of groundwater levels that are slightly below sea level near the coast in the shallow (Well -30D1) and associated possibility of seawater intrusion, the District should consider installation of so-called "sentinel" wells at the coast completed to the depths of the four primary aquifers. The monitoring wells should be provided with dedicated pressure and conductivity transducers to monitor temporal changes in water quality. Data from the sentinel wells could be collected monthly or quarterly and graphs developed to depict any trends in groundwater level and quality (i.e., conductivity measurements as an early indicator of possible seawater intrusion into the basin).



CLOSURE

This report has been prepared for the exclusive use of the Carpinteria Valley Water District and their agents for specific application to the conditions of groundwater supply and quality in the Carpinteria groundwater basin in Carpinteria, California. The findings and conclusions presented herein were prepared in accordance with generally accepted hydrogeologic engineering practices. No other warranty, express or implied, is made.

Sincerely,

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Attachments: Figure 1 - Cumulative Departure from Average Precipitation Figure 2 - Water Use and Precipitation Data Plate 1 - Water Level Hydrograph Map, April 2013 Period Plate 2 - Water Level Hydrograph Map, October 2013 Period Plate 3 - Chemical Hydrograph Map - Western Extent Plate 4 - Chemical Hydrograph Map - Eastern Extent Appendix A - Supporting Data

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FIGURES



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WATER USE AND PRECIPITATION DATA Carpinteria Valley Water District

FIGURE 2

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APPENDIX A SUPPORTING DATA

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District Engineer

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PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM STATISTICS

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Potablo	Surface		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FULADIE	Purchased 1/		129.6	212.0	250.6	450.0	486.0	318.0	552.0	474.4	457.5	475.8	384.5	322.8	4513.16
	Total Potable		203.6942	212	250.6	450	490.8695	440.12	563.48	514.67	516.57	475.75	384.5	322.79	4825.044
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B.Multi-fa	mily Residential		34.9	36.7	36.7	44.0	41.9	47.9	47.9	52.3	44.6	44.7	40.4	38.1	510.2984
C.Comme	ercial/Institutional		24.16437	33.60882	37.99357	66.44628	67.3944	73.05785	78.09688	130.2594	110.9642	58.70064	50.26171	31.34527	762.2934
D.Industri	al		4.501837	5.982553	5.477502	7.194674	7.421947	7.727273	7.320937	8.748852	7.943067	7.789256	7.066116	5.943526	83.11754
E.Landsc	ape Irrigation		1.650597	2.612489	3.213958	5.259412	6.64371	7.561983	9.22865	9.024334	8.787879	8.126722	6.588613	2.972911	71.67126
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Agricultural Irrigation			83.44123	94.2034	144.1644	203.5032	216.1547	233.7695	243.6846	254.1185	256.4624	238.4435	183.6983	135.4339	2287.078
Wholesal	e(to other agencies)		0	0	0	0	0	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	400

Summary of Water Quality Data, Spring & Fall 2013 Carpinteria Valley Water Distric Groundwater Basin Data Collection Progran

Well No.	Owner/Name	Sample Date	Calcium	Magnesium	Potassium	Sodium	Carbonate	Bicarbonate	Sulfate	Chloride	Nitrate	Fluoride	Boron	Copper	Iron	Manganese	Zinc	PH Field	l Lab	E.C Field	Lab	SAR	TDS	Alkalinity	Hardness	Ammonia Nitrogen
4N/25W-19E1	Ocean Breeze	5/9/2013 10/28/2013	131 129	36 37	1	209	<10	320	112	318 364	16.4 21.6	1.2	2.2	<0.01	<0.05	0.02	<0.02	7.25	7.3	1801	1800	4.2	1140	270	475	-
4N/25W-19J4	Carlton	5/16/2013 11/1/2013	145 131	38 37	1	50 46	<10 <10	320 290	149 152	92 102	91 94	0.2	<0.1 0.1	<0.01 <0.01	0.24 <0.05	<0.01 <0.01	0.13 0.09	7.22 7.46	7 7.2	1261 1189	1260 1230	1 0.9	886 853	260 240	518 479	
4N/25W-19K5	Westland Floral	5/9/2013 10/30/2013	210 186	63 56	1	88 75	<10 <10	380 380	175 169	190 197	184 181	0.2	0.3	<0.01 <0.01	<0.05 <0.05	<0.01 <0.01	<0.02 <0.02	7.01 7.4	7.1 7	1775 1730	1790 1810	1.4 1.2	1290 1250	310 310	783 694	-
4N/25W-19M1	Abbott	5/17/2013	304	78	1	188	<10	450	370	360	240	0.6	1.1	<0.01	0.14	< 0.01	<0.02	7.12	6.9	2770	2820	2.5	1990	370	1080	-
4N/25W-19R1	Westland Floral	5/9/2013	159	40	1	55	<10	320	151	103	74.5	0.3	0.1	<0.01	<0.05	0.04	<0.02	7.4	7.4	1220	1250	1	904	260	561	
4N/25W-20K4	CVWD (High School Raw)		127		<1 	44 	<10			94	79.8 	0.4	<0.1	<0.01	<0.05	0.05	<0.02	7.61	7.4 			0.9			453	
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411/2510-2014	CVWD (High School, Treated)	5/17/2013	67					 380		54	2.4					 0.33		7.55	73					310	 241	-
4N/25W-20L2	Westland Floral	11/6/2013	73	19	1	100	<10	380	70	59	1.4	0.3	0.3	<0.01	0.1	0.33	<0.02	7.65	8	907	924	2.7	704	310	260	
4N/25W-20M1	Ocean Breeze/Foothill																									
4N/25W-20Q3	Westland Floral	5/17/2013 11/6/2013	72	39 43	1	73 75	<10 <10	350 350	86 93	59 65	46.3 57.2	0.5	0.1 0.1	<0.01 <0.01	<0.05	0.28	<0.02 <0.02	7.33	7.1 7.5	1007 1020	999 1030	1.7 1.7	727	290 290	340 377	-
4N/25W-20R4	Persoon		-				-									-										-
4N/25W-21F1	Rancho Antigua	5/13/2013	83	37	1	78	<10	430	26	90	36	0.4	<0.1	<0.01	<0.05	<0.01	0.05	7.41	7.2	1069	1060	1.8	781	350	359	-
4N/2EW/ 211 1	Prodlay	10/28/2013 5/8/2013	87 100	39 34	2	79 82	<10 <10	430 390	31 124	103 56	39.3 1.7	0.5	0.2	<0.01 <0.01	<0.05	<0.01 0.02	0.03 <0.02	7.33 7.6	7.4 7.6	1080 967	1080 984	1.8	810 790	350 320	378 389	-
410/2300-2111	Diauley	10/28/2013 5/8/2013	93 88	32 31	2	74 77	<10 <10	380 370	122 110	59 45	2.1	0.3	0.2	<0.01	<0.05	<0.01	<0.02	7.46	7.8 7.5	990 891	988 898	1.7	764 726	310 310	364 347	-
4N/25W-21N7	Ocean Breeze	10/28/2013	86	29	2	68	<10	360	119	45	3.3	0.3	0.1	<0.01	<0.05	0.01	0.02	7.8	7.9	909	896	1.6	713	300	334	
4N/25W-21N4	Brand Flowers																									
4N/25W-21Q1	Overgaag/Westerlay Roses	5/8/2013 11/5/2013	85 90	29 31	2	77 71	<10 <10	350 350	90 75	55 74	17.8 38.2	0.3	0.1 <0.1	0.04 <0.01	0.16 <0.05	0.6	<0.02 <0.02	8.4 7.5	7.5	867 980	901 992	1.8 1.6	704	290 290	331 352	
4N/25W-22R4	Vedder	5/8/2013 10/28/2013	113 107	32 29	2	58 50	<10 <10	310 300	144 147	74 77	7.1 9.9	0.2	0.1 <0.1	<0.01 <0.01	<0.05	<0.01 <0.01	<0.02	7.35 7.25	7.4 7.5	975 970	973 986	1.2 1.1	743	250 240	414 386	
4N/25W-25F1	Nichols	5/14/2013	123	42	1	73	<10	290	99 114	159	47.4	0.3	<0.1	< 0.01	0.05	< 0.01	<0.02	7.38	7.1	1274	1280	1.4	835	240	480	
4N/25W-26B1	Dautch																									
4N/25W-26C8	Thor	5/8/2013	194	47 31	2	98 41	<10	300	109	28	5.3	0.2	<0.1	<0.01	<0.05	<0.01	<0.02	7.65	7.4	823	826	0.9	667	230	385	
410/2010 2000		10/24/2013 5/17/2013	100 94	30 30	1	37 51	<10 <10	300 310	160 117	30 56	8 14.8	0.3	<0.1 <0.1	<0.01 <0.01	<0.05 <0.05	<0.01 <0.01	<0.02 <0.02	8 7.5	7.7 7.2	800 925	840 943	0.8	666 674	240 260	373 358	
4N/25W-27D1	Westland Floral	11/6/2013	102	32	1	52	<10	310	127	63	17.2	0.2	<0.1	< 0.01	< 0.05	< 0.01	<0.02	7.4	7.7	950	954	1.2	704	250	386	
4N/25W-27E1	Phelps	11/4/2013	132	36	1	41 42	<10	350	147	44	57.9	0.2	<0.1	<0.01	<0.05	<0.01	<0.02	7.79	7.8	1054	1070	0.9	810	280	412 477	
4N/25W-27F2	CVWD (Smillie well)																									
4N/25W-27R2	Shepard Farms																									
4N/25W-28A1	Moore	5/8/2013	94	30	2	63 55	<10	340	105	45	20	0.3	0.1	< 0.01	< 0.05	0.03	<0.02	7.55	7.3	843	869	1.4	696	280	358	
4N/25W-28D2	CVWD (El Carro,Raw)																									-
4N/25W-28D2	CVWD (El Carro Treated)																									
4N/2EW 28E7	C)(M/D (Lyong)	7/3/2013	 115	30	2	 57	 <10	310	 137	 61	30.3	0.2	 <0.1	<0.01	 0.17	0.35	<0.02	8	 6.9	 949	 968	 1.2	742	260	 410	
411/2300-26F7	CVWD (Lyons)	11/4/2013 5/9/2013	115 155	29 42	1	50 56	<10 <10	330 390	135 163	72 50	38.5 80.9	0.2	<0.1	<0.01	0.12	0.13	<0.02	7.63	7.4	1022	1200	1.1	771 938	270 320	406 560	-
4N/25W-28G3	Dal Pozzo	11/18/2013	155	43	1	53	<10	390	203	63	108	0.2	<0.1	<0.01	< 0.05	0.02	<0.02	7.55	7.6	1235	1280	1	1020	320	564	
4N/25W-28H1	Huff	11/4/2013	112	31	1	45	<10	340	125	34	47.3	0.3	<0.1	<0.01	<0.05	<0.01	<0.02	7.44	7.1	931	906	1	736	270	407	
4N/25W-28J1	Catlin	5/16/2013 11/7/2013	145 147	39 40	1	49 48	<10 <10	400 310	161 193	49 58	65.7 59.2	0.2	<0.1 <0.1	<0.01 <0.01	<0.05 <0.05	<0.01 <0.01	<0.02	7.5	7.1 7.9	1150 1170	1200 1180	0.9	910 856	330 250	522 531	
4N/25W-29D7	Santa Ynez Well (CVWD)						-																			
4N/25W-29D8	H.Q. Well (CVWD Raw)	6/14/2013	86	23	1	61	<10	340	100	31	6.9	0.2	0.1	0.21	0.11	0.09	0.03	7.6	7.6	830	827	1.5	649	280	309	
4N/25W-29D8	H.Q. Well (CVWD Finish)	6/14/2013	85	23	1	63	<10	340	101	33	7.8	0.2	0.1	<0.01	<0.05	<0.01	<0.02	7.65	7.7	840	839	1.6	654	280	307	
4N/25W-29K2	Pekins				-		-				-															
4N/25W-29I 1	Saragosa																									
41/05/11 0004	Canada da	11/4/2013 5/16/2013	32 16	16 10	3 2	51 61	<10 <10	240 160	32	22 67	0.7 <0.4	0.2 0.4	<0.1 <0.1	0.01 <0.01	0.51 1.4	0.02	1.3 <0.02	8.32 8.9	8 8.2	519 520	542 503	1.8 2.9	397 316	200 130	146 81.1	
41W/25W-30D1	Sanoyiano/Slough Well	11/4/2013	16	9	2	61	<10	150	<2	76	0.4	0.4	0.1	<0.01	0.62	0.1	0.04	8.41	8.4	515	536	3	315	130	77	
4N/25W-34G1	Aluminum Filter																									-
4N/25W-34B4	Twin Pines	5/9/2013 10/24/2013	98 90	28	2	57 54	<10 <10	310	110	48 66	5.7 4.4	0.3	0.1	0.07 <0.01	0.18 <0.05	0.02	<0.02	8.3	7.6	700	878	1.3	667	260	36U 336	
4N/25W-35B5	Van der Kar	5/13/2013 10/28/2013	161 160	56 53	2	98 91	<10 <10	420 410	310 330	100 104	13.9 14.5	0.2	0.2	<0.01 <0.01	<0.05 <0.05	<0.01 <0.01	<0.02 <0.02	8.1 7.8	7.6 7.9	1515 1464	1530 1410	<u>1.7</u> <u>1.</u> 6	1160 1160	340 330	632 617	
4N/25W-35E4	Van der Kar	6/11/2013 10/28/2013	140 142	47 47	3	146 137	<10 <10	210 220	400 480	147 175	0.8	0.3 0.3	0.2	<0.01 <0.01	0.55 0.76	0.07	<0.02 <0.02	7.65 7.16	7.7 7.5	1543 1611	1580 1610	2.7 2.5	1090 1210	180 180	543 548	
4N/26W-13R1	Baker																									-
4N/26W-23A2	Zangger				-		-	-			-														-	-
4N/26W-24F1	Hickey Brothers	5/9/2013	80	36		136	<10	450	34	142	<0.4	0.9	0.3	<0.01	0.2	0.12	<0.02	7.4	7.6	1215	1220	3.2	880	370	348	
		10/28/2013	78	36	1	133	<10	450	40	164	4.1	1.1	0.3	<0.01	0.22	0.10	<0.02	7.43	7.5	1224	1230	3.1	907	370	343	
	Dio Greek	5/9/2013	101	 32	3	 367	 <10	450	64	 480	 <0.4	 3.1	4.6	 <0.01	<0.05	 <0.01	 <0.02	8.45	8.4	2350	2340	8.1	1500	360	 384	0.1
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Gobe	rnador Creek	5/8/2013	103	38	2	55	<10	330	168	35	1.5	0.3	<0.1	<0.01	<0.05	< 0.01	<0.02	8.23	8	920	905	1.2	733	270	413	<0.2
Rin	ncon Creek	5/9/2013	102	49	2	110	<10	430	137	97	6.1	0.5	0.5	<0.01	<0.05	< 0.01	< 0.02	8.47	8.3	1236	1220	2.2	934	350	456	<0.1
		10/20/2013	92	00	2	119	< IU	400	104	14/	0.0	U./	0.0	<0.01	<0.05	<0.01	<0.02	0.0	0.3	1400	13/0	2.4	1040	370	407	<u.z< td=""></u.z<>

Concentrations in milligrams per liter, except Electrical Conductance (micromhos/cm) and pH. Non detected concentrations shown as < PQL (Practical Quantitation Limit) NA = Not Available

This sheet provides an estimate of private well extraction using the 2012 aerial image.

Calendar-year Well Extraction Estimate (Acre-feet - AF)									
2013 Low* DT**	2013 Average DT	2013 High* DT	Long-term DT						
2016	3060	4207	2191						

Water-year Well Extraction Estimate (Acre-feet - AF)									
2013 Low DT	2013 Average DT	2013 High DT	Long-term DT						
1994	3033	4176	2305						

Fiscal-year Well Extraction Estimate (Acre-feet - AF)									
2013 Low DT	2013 Average DT	2013 High DT	Long-term DT						
1707	2635	3661	2331						

Determining Factors (Calendar-year)									
	2013 Low DT	2013 Average DT	2013 High DT	Long-term DT	Acres Used for DT				
Avocado	1.43	1.74	2.05	1.21	130				
Cherimoyas / Fruit Trees	1.45	2.15	2.85	2.00	66				
Covered Nurseries	2.15	3.22	4.29	3.19	75				
Mixed Field Crops	0.47	1.84	3.21	0.65	97				
Lemons	0.32	1.53	2.74	0.87	40				
Open Nurseries	0.49	1.30	2.12	1.27	31				
Turf / Pasture	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	****				

* Low / High = 95% Confidence Interval Values for Average ** DT = Determining Factors

*** Insufficient number of parcels for calculating values (1); open nursery values entered **** Derived from long-term rainfall / evapotranspiration data

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Introduction

Presented in this Technical Memorandum (TM) is documentation of our findings, conclusions and recommendations developed from an update to the hydrologic budget for the Carpinteria Groundwater Basin (CGB). The hydrologic budget quantifies the primary sources of recharge and discharge in the groundwater basin. The hydrologic budget for the CGB was last updated by Pueblo Water Resources, Inc. (PWR) for the period of Water Years (WY) 1985 through 2008 as part of the development of a numerical groundwater model of the CGB¹. The subject update covers the period of WY 2009 through WY 2013.

Background

A hydrologic budget for a groundwater basin is an inventory of the various sources of recharge and outflow in the basin, and is expressed by the following equation:

Inflow = Outflow (+/-) Change in Storage

where Inflow equals:

- Subsurface Inflow
- Streambed Percolation
- Percolation of Precipitation, and
- Percolation of Irrigation Return Water (pumped and imported);

and Outflow equals:

• Subsurface Outflow

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¹ Carpinteria Groundwater Basin, Hydrogeologic Update and Groundwater Model Project Final Report, prepared by Pueblo Water Resources, Inc. for Carpinteria Valley Water District, dated June 30, 2012.

- Gross Groundwater Pumpage, and
- Extraction by Phreatophytes.

The hydrologic budget for the CGB has been developed through three previous investigations performed for the CVWD:

- 1. Geotechnical Consultants (GTC) performed an inventory of the various components of inflow and outflow to the CGB in its 1976 study of the basin for WY 1935 through WY 1973 (39-year base period).
- 2. GTC subsequently updated the inventory in 1986 for WY 1974 through WY 1984 (11-year base period).
- 3. PWR updated the hydrologic budget for WY 1985 through WY 2008 (24-year base period) as part of a 2012 hydrogeologic update and groundwater model project.

Some hydrologic budget data are available via direct measurement (e.g., metered pumpage), whereas others are more difficult to quantify and require estimation based on commonly used methods. In general, the methods used in PWR's 2012 analysis were very similar to those used by GTC in their 1976 and 1986 inventories, but were modified and improved where possible given the availability of new data and/or analytic tools. Utilizing consistent methods for the updated base-period allowed for reasonable comparison and correlation with the previous estimates for the various base-periods. The results of combining all three of the above base-period inventories into a single 74-year base period of WY 1935 – WY 2008 indicated a long-term annual average recharge rate for the CGB of approximately 4,200 afy and an extraction rate of approximately 3,800 afy, corresponding a long-term average annual accumulation in storage of approximately 400 afy.

Since the last update of the hydrologic budget, however, California has experienced several years of deficient rainfall, and the State has just recently declared a drought emergency. As a result, identification and quantification of the impacts of the recent drought on the amount of recharge and cumulative changes in storage for the CGB are of increasing importance to CVWD's ongoing management of the basin. The subject update to the hydrologic budget for the CGB picks up where the last update ended and covers the new 5-year period of WY 2009 through WY 2013.

FINDINGS

For this project, the hydrologic budget inventory was updated utilizing the same methods that were developed for the 2012 hydrogeologic update and groundwater model project. Detailed descriptions of the methods and calculations used for each component of the hydrologic budget for the CGB are presented in PWR's 2012 report and will not be repeated here. A summary of the updated hydrologic budget for the WY 1985 – WY 2013 period (29 years) is presented in **Table 1**. The values shown in **Table 1** are also presented graphically on **Figure 1**. Summary descriptions for component of the hydrologic budget are presented below:

		INFLOW (acre-feet per year)							OUTFLOW (acre-feet per year)						
				Percola	ation of	Percola	ation of					Extraction			
Water	Rainfall	Subsurface	Streambed	Precip	itation	Irrigatio	n Water	Total	Subsurface	Groundwat	er Pumpage	by	Total	Chang	e in Storage
Year	(in)	Inflow	Percolation	Recharge Area	Confined Area	Delivered	Pumped	Inflow	Outflow	CVWD	Private	Phreatophytes	Outflow	Year	Cummulative
1985	15.26	869	57	391	49	58	190	1,615	16	1,836	949	100	2,901	-1,287	-1,287
1986	25.78	1,100	866	4,198	522	80	208	6,973	0	2,032	1,041	100	3,173	3,801	2,514
1987	11.99	683	91	30	4	90	186	1,084	0	2,363	932	100	3,395	-2,312	202
1988	17.34	988	112	731	91	103	213	2,238	0	2,342	1,065	100	3,507	-1,269	-1,066
1989	10.27	585	26	0	0 0	116	304	1,031	0	2,984	1,520	100	4,604	-3,573	-4,639
1990	8.93	509	4	0	0 0	246	398	1,157	0	3,413	1,990	100	5,503	-4,346	-8,985
1991	20.11	1,100	758	1,634	203	166	452	4,313	0	3,014	2,261	100	5,375	-1,062	-10,047
1992	25.39	1,100	1,026	4,174	519	140	433	7,392	0	1,560	2,165	100	3,825	3,567	-6,480
1993	37.45	1,100	1,434	5,499	683	177	484	9,378	0	1,261	2,422	100	3,783	5,596	-884
1994	14.43	822	352	278	35	184	564	2,234	0	1,307	2,818	100	4,225	-1,991	-2,875
1995	41.59	1,100	1,746	5,487	660	162	478	9,632	231	1,291	2,389	100	4,011	5,621	2,746
1996	19.55	1,100	894	1,401	168	162	502	4,227	239	1,557	2,510	100	4,406	-178	2,568
1997	18.07	1,030	958	862	104	192	487	3,633	58	1,317	2,437	100	3,912	-280	2,288
1998	51.48	1,100	1,744	5,467	657	149	486	9,602	418	575	2,428	100	3,521	6,081	8,369
1999	9.99	569	434	0	0	292	598	1,893	376	340	2,990	100	3,806	-1,913	6,456
2000	17.47	995	789	740	88	256	621	3,489	86	1,410	3,105	100	4,702	-1,213	5,243
2001	20.43	1,100	1,096	1,692	205	205	652	4,950	202	185	3,259	100	3,746	1,204	6,448
2002	7.66	436	7	0	0	257	621	1,320	196	558	3,103	100	3,957	-2,637	3,811
2003	21.97	1,100	521	2,293	276	245	545	4,981	62	402	2,723	100	3,287	1,694	5,505
2004	9.57	545	2	0	0	277	561	1,385	4	999	2,803	100	3,906	-2,520	2,985
2005	37.56	1,100	1,657	5,366	646	289	412	9,471	0	1,152	2,060	100	3,312	6,159	9,144
2006	18.58	1,059	927	930	112	316	417	3,759	0	1,120	2,083	100	3,302	457	9,601
2007	7.11	405	9	0	0	410	501	1,325	0	1,418	2,507	100	4,025	-2,700	6,901
2008	17.51	998	1,041	683	82	317	561	3,683	0	661	2,806	100	3,567	116	7,017
2009	13.19	752	13	108	13	396	457	1,738	0	1,628	2,284	100	4,012	-2,274	4,743
2010	19.75	1,100	671	1,407	169	335	513	4,196	0	1,053	2,566	100	3,719	476	5,219
2011	24.89	1,100	1,053	3,515	423	324	500	6,915	0	1,236	2,502	100	3,838	3,077	8,296
2012	9.83	560	7	0	0	397	490	1,454	0	1,015	2,451	100	3,566	-2,112	6,184
2013	8.33	475	0	0	0	436	607	1,518	0	643	3,033	100	3,776	-2,259	3,926
5-Yr Avg.	15.20	797	349	1,006	121	378	513	3,164	0	1,115	2,567	100	3,782	-618	
High	24.89	1,100	1,053	3,515	423	436	607	6,915	0	1,628	3,033	100	4,012	3,077	
Low	8.33	475	0	0	0	324	457	1,454	0	643	2,284	100	3,566	-2,274	
% of Total		25	11	32	4	12	16	100	0	29	68	3	100		
29-Yr. Avg.	19.36	879	631	1,617	197	234	463	4,020	65	1,403	2,317	100	3,885	135	
High	51.48	1,100	1,746	5,499	683	436	652	9,632	418	3,413	3,259	100	5,503	6,159	
Low	7.11	405	0	0	0	58	186	1,031	0	185	932	100	2,901	-4,346	
% of Total		22	16	40	5	6	12	100	2	35	58	2	97		

Table 1. Hydrologic Budget Summary, WY 1985 – WY 2013

Rainfall

Rainfall is the primary source of inflow/recharge to the basin, whether it falls directly on the basin and percolates vertically downward through the surface soils and into basin sediments, or falls on adjacent watershed areas and flows into the basin via streambed percolation or subsurface inflow. The Santa Barbara County Flood Control District maintains precipitation data from the Carpinteria Fire Station with a period of record from 1949 to the present. Annual rainfall during the period of record is presented on **Figure 2**. As shown, the mean annual rainfall for this long-term period is 19.6 inches. The mean during the subject 5-year period was 15.2 inches, which is approximately 22 percent lower than the long-term average.

The cumulative departure of annual rainfall from the long-term mean is also plotted on **Figure 2**. The cumulative departure from mean graph is used to identify climatic trends over the period of record. As shown, the cumulative departure curve exhibits a series of cyclic dry and wet periods in the basin over the period of record. The basin has been experiencing an overall dry cycle since WY 1998, and the last two years (WY 2012 and WY 2013) have been particularly dry, with rainfall totals of less than half the long term average.

Review of **Figures 1 and 2** shows that the cumulative change in storage curve (see **Figure 1**) understandably trends similarly to the cumulative departure of annual rainfall curve (see **Figure 2**). For example, the plots show the dry period of the WY 1987 through WY 1990 drought and the corresponding depletion of storage, followed by the wet period of WY 1991 through WY 1998 and the accumulation of basin storage. In particular, the relative lack of rainfall during the subject 5-year period corresponds to lower amounts of recharge / inflow to the basin and a cumulative depletion of storage (particularly the last two years, WY 2012 and WY 2013), as discussed in the following sections.

Subsurface Inflow

Subsurface inflow is flow from consolidated rocks in the hill and mountain areas adjacent to the CGB. A direct relationship between subsurface inflow and precipitation was developed by GTC (1976), and seasonal subsurface inflow for the WY 1985 – WY 2013 base period was estimated using this same relationship. As shown in **Table 1**, for the WY 2009 - WY 2013 period, an average of 797 afy was estimated, compared to 879 afy for the longer-term WY 1985 – WY 2013 period.

Streambed Percolation

There are five principal streams in the CGB; Carpinteria, Gobernador, Santa Monica, Arroyo Parida, and Rincon Creeks. Streambed percolation is assumed to occur only where the stream reaches cross the Recharge Area. Once streamflow reaches the Confined Area, the amount of deep percolation to the main groundwater system is assumed to be insignificant. The 1976 GTC study included an analysis of annual runoff and seepage losses for streams in the basin, and developed runoff vs. streambed percolation relationships for each individual stream. These same relationships were utilized for this update. As shown in **Table 1** above, the

average streambed percolation for the 5-year 2009 - 2013 period was estimated at 349 afy, which is approximately 45 percent less than the 631 afy estimated for the WY 1985 - WY 2103 base period.

Percolation of Precipitation

Percolation of precipitation is the most important source of recharge to the basin, accounting for approximately 45 percent of the total inflow. Precipitation recharges the basin principally through deep percolation to the zone of saturation in the Recharge Area. In addition, one of the important findings from calibrating the numerical groundwater flow model of the CGB was that an average of approximately 215 afy (approximately 5 percent of the total inflow) of precipitation percolation in the Confined Area does reach the deep aquifers; therefore, for this update we have also calculated deep percolation in the Confined Area for the entire WY 1985 – WY 2013 period.

The total volume of deep percolation for each year of the base period is shown in **Table 1**. As shown, significant deep percolation only occurs in the wetter years. In years when the average annual rainfall is less than approximately 12 inches, no deep percolation is estimated to occur. Of particular note for this update is that no deep percolation of precipitation was estimated to have occurred in WY 2012 or WY 2013.

For this update, the average annual recharge to the basin during the 5-year WY 2009 – WY 2013 period from deep percolation of rainfall is estimated to be approximately 1,127 afy (1,006 afy in the Recharge Area, and 121 afy in the Confined Area). The total amount of deep percolation during the subject period (1,127 afy) is approximately 38 percent less than the 1,814 afy estimated for the 29-year WY 1985 – WY 2013 base period.

Percolation of Irrigation Water

Percolation of irrigation return water in the CGB is dependent on a variety of factors, including climatic conditions, crop type, and irrigation practices. Studies by the U.S. Soil Conversation Service for Santa Barbara County indicate irrigation efficiencies range from 65 to 70 percent. For purposes of estimating deep percolation of irrigation return water in the CGB, a conservative estimate is that 20 percent of applied water (both pumped and delivered, which includes imported water) percolates into the basin. As shown in **Table 1**, the average annual recharge to the basin during the WY 2009 – WY 2013 period from percolation of irrigation water is estimated to be approximately 891 afy, which is approximately 28 percent greater than the 697 afy estimated for the WY 1985 – WY 2013 base period. The greater than average amount of irrigation return water reflects the increased amount of applied water required to support crops during the WY 2009 – WY 2013 period due to the relative lack of rainfall.

Subsurface Outflow

The quantity of subsurface outflow from the CGB is estimated using Darcy's Law, in which the rate of discharge through a given cross section of saturated material is proportional to the hydraulic gradient. The hydraulic gradient is driven by water-levels in the basin, and outflow

occurs only when there is a seaward gradient (i.e., when water levels are generally above sea level). The results of the subsurface outflow calculations are shown in **Table 1**. As shown, zero subsurface outflow was estimated during the WY 2009 – WY 2013 period because the seaward gradient between the coast and inland portions of the basin was reversed (i.e., water levels were lower inland than at the coast). It is noted that the existing reversal of the naturally occurring seaward gradient creates conditions for the potential for seawater intrusion into the basin to occur.

Groundwater Pumpage

Groundwater extractions from the CGB occur from both District and private production wells. District well production is metered, and monthly totals of production from the District wells were compiled for the WY 2009 – WY 2013 period. Private pumping in the basin is not metered and has been estimated on an annual basis by the District since 1984 utilizing land use survey and water delivery information. As shown in **Table 1**, aggregate pumpage is estimated to have averaged approximately 3,682 afy (1,115 afy from CVWD wells and 2,567 afy from private wells) during the WY 2009 – WY 2013 period. This amount of pumpage is comparable to the long-term average of approximately 3,720 afy estimated for the WY 1985 – WY 2013 period.

Extraction by Phreatophytes

Phreatophytes are water loving plants (roots extend into the water table) that live in the vicinity of stream channels and in areas of high groundwater. Groundwater consumed by phreatophytes is dependent on many factors, including plant species, vegetative density, climate, soil types and conditions, and depth to groundwater. Direct measurements of consumptive use by phreatophytes in the CGB do not currently exist. By applying the results of study in San Diego County (Blaney and Criddle, 1963), extractions by phreatophytes have been roughly estimated to be approximately 100 afy. As shown in **Table 1**, phreatophytes consumption is estimated to be a relatively insignificant portion (2 percent) of the outflow from the basin.

Changes in Storage

The change in the amount of groundwater in storage depends on the annual water supply surplus or deficiency, as expressed in the water balance equation. As shown in **Table 1**, average annual outflow during the 5-year WY 2009 – WY 2013 period was estimated at 3,782 afy and the average annual inflow estimated at 3,164 afy, resulting in a net average annual storage depletion of approximately 618 afy during the 5-year Period. This compares to the estimated average annual inflow during the 29-year WY 1985 – WY 2013 period of approximately 4,020 afy and average annual outflow of approximately 3,885 afy, corresponding to a slight accumulation of groundwater in storage of approximately 135 afy.

As noted previously, the hydrologic budget for the CGB has been developed through three previous investigations performed for the CVWD, and the methodologies utilized for the various inventories of each base period were similar (but not identical). A comparison of the estimated amounts of average annual total inflow, outflow, and changes in storage for the four base periods is presented in **Table 2** below:

Base Period	Period Years	Investigator	Avg. Rainfall (in)	Inflow (afy)	Outflow (afy)	Change in Storage (afy)
1935 – 1973	39	GTC	17.8	4,194	3,777	+416
1974 – 1984	11	GTC	23.6	4,858	3,430	+1,428
1985 – 2008	24	PWR	19.4	3,988	3,906	+82
2009 – 2013	5	PWR	15.2	3,164	3,782	-618

Table 2. Hydrologic Budget Comparison

Both **Tables 1 and 2** and **Figures 1 and 2** show that there is a direct and obvious correlation between the amount of average annual rainfall and changes in basin storage. For example, during the WY 1985 – WY 2008 period when rainfall was close to the long-term average of 19.6 inches per year, the basin was essentially in balance with an average annual inflow of approximately 4,000 afy. Average annual rainfall during the subject 5-yr period was only 15.2 inches, which is approximately 22 percent lower than the long-term average, and has resulted in a net storage depletion of approximately 618 afy during the period.

As shown in **Table 1** and **Figure 1**, the cumulative storage volume in the CGB is still positive relative to basin conditions in WY 1984 (when it was in a relatively "full" condition) and particularly at the end of the WY 1987 through WY 1990 drought, when it was depleted by as much as 10,000 af (water levels in the basin were over 50 feet below sea level in portions of the Confined Area during this period). The two most recent water years (WY 2012 and WY 2013) have been particularly dry, however, with rainfall totals less than half the long-term average. The corresponding storage depletion the last two years has averaged approximately 2,200 afy. WY 2014 is on track to be similarly dry, representing a third consecutive year of drought conditions, and additional storage depletion likely continues to occur.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the findings developed from the subject 5-year update to the CGB hydrologic budget for WY 2009 – WY 2013, we offer the following conclusions and recommendations:

- Average rainfall during the subject WY 2009 WY 2013 period was approximately 15.2 inches, which is approximately 20 percent less than the long-term average of 19.6 inches. The last two years of the period (WY 2012 and WY 2013) were particularly dry, with annual rainfall totals of approximately 9.8 and 8.3 inches, respectively, which are less than 50 percent of the long-term average.
- The limited amounts of rainfall during the period correspond to lower-thanaverage recharge to the CGB. Average total inflow / recharge during the

period is estimated to be approximately 3,160 afy, which is approximately 20 percent less than the long-term average of approximately 4,020 afy. During the last two years, however, total recharge has been estimated at approximately 1,500 afy, which is approximately 60 percent less than the long-term average.

- Extractions from the basin during the 5-year period have averaged approximately 3,700 afy, which is generally consistent with the long-term average.
- As a result of the relatively limited amount of recharge and extractions remaining near their long-term average, an average of approximately 620 afy of storage depletion is estimated to have occurred, corresponding to a cumulative storage loss of approximately 3,100 af over the 5-year period. Most of this change / loss in storage occurred during the last two years of the period, with over 2,000 afy of storage depletion estimated each year.
- The hydrologic budget for the CGB should be updated on an ongoing basis. Given the current drought conditions are persisting through WY 2014, it is recommended that the hydrologic budget be updated on annual basis until the drought is over. When climatic conditions return to normal, the hydrologic budget should continue to be updated, but perhaps on a less frequent basis (e.g., tri-annually).
- There was no subsurface outflow estimated during the period (no subsurface outflow has been estimated to have occurred during the last 9 years) due to depressed water levels in the basin. Water levels are as much as 15 feet below sea level in the western portion of basin, an area where the Rincon Creek Fault barrier is located offshore. These basin conditions present a theoretical risk for seawater intrusion to occur in the CGB.
- Although seawater intrusion has not historically been detected in the CGB, given that water levels are currently below sea level, and have historically been at even greater levels below sea level during previous drought periods, there is a potential risk for seawater intrusion to theoretically occur. In order to mitigate this risk and provide an "early warning" system for the potential threat of seawater intrusion, we recommend the installation of dedicated "sentinel" monitoring wells at the shoreline. Individually screened and sealed monitoring wells should be placed within the shallow aquifer as well as in the deeper Aquifers A, B and C (4 wells total). The wells should then be added to existing monitoring program of the Groundwater Management Plan for the CGB and routinely monitored for water levels and various water quality parameters.

CLOSURE

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FIGURE 1. HYDROLOGIC BUDGET SUMMARY FOR 1985 - 2013 BASE PERIOD CGB Hydrologic Budget Update Project Carpinteria Valley Water District

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FIGURE 2. CUMULATIVE DEPARTURE OF ANNUAL RAINFALL - CARPINTERIA FIRE STATION (208) CGB Hydrologic Budget Update Carpinteria Valley Water District