



Marin Municipal Water District Meeting the Challenge: Water Supply & Demand

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Presentation Outline

The Challenge

- Water Supply and Demand
- Marin's Drought of Record
- Coming Up Short

Meeting the Challenge

- Opportunities for Reducing Demand and Increasing Supply
- Discussion and Input



The Challenge



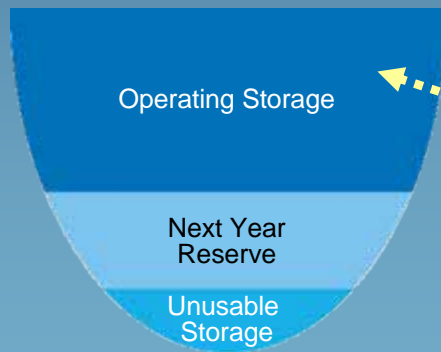
MMWD's Water Supply



Recycled Water

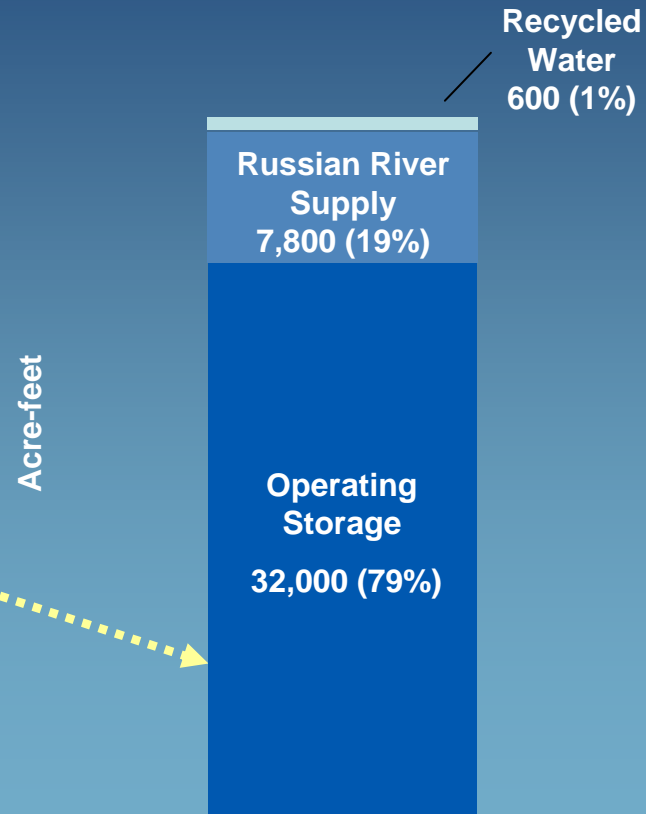


Russian River Pipeline



Reservoir Storage

Average Year Water Supply Sources



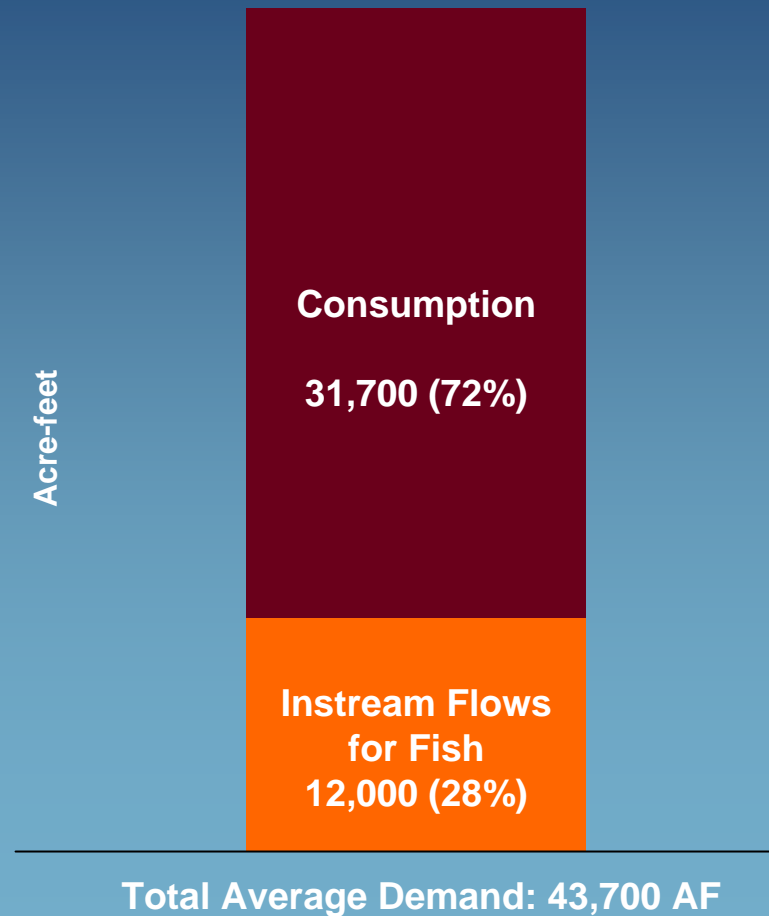
Total Average Supply: 40,400 AF



MMWD's Water Demand

Average Water Demand

- Two types of water demand in the district
 - Consumption
 - Fish Releases



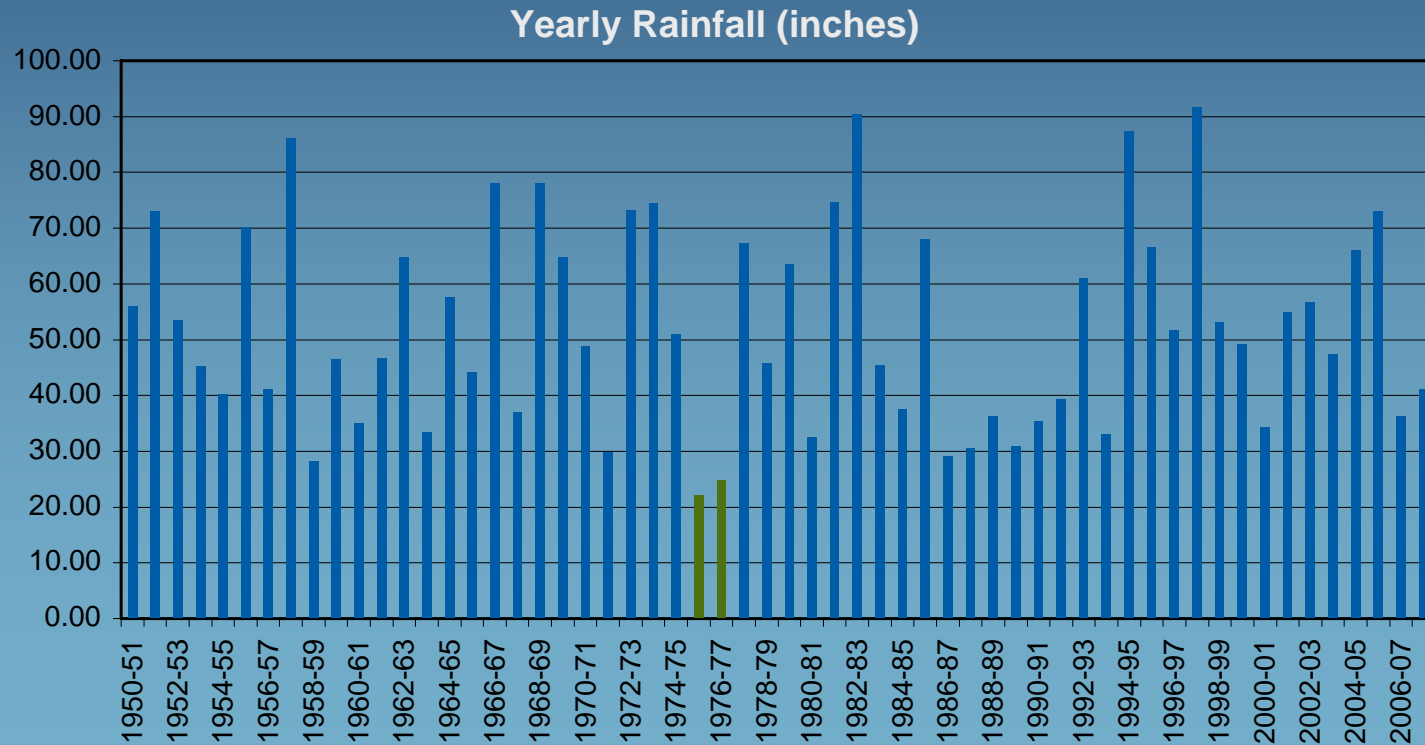
The Challenge

Given the current water supplies and level of water demand, **MMWD** would not have adequate water supply to meet the needs of people and the environment during a **sustained drought** similar to the one experienced in the late 1970s.



The Drought of Historic Record

- During the 1976-77 drought, Marin's rainfall was at historically low levels



Water Supply and Demand Improvements Since 1977

- Soulajule Reservoir (1979)
- Russian River supply contracts (1988 and 1996)
- Expanded Kent Reservoir (1982)
- Reduced per capita water consumption
- Established a rationing policy for droughts

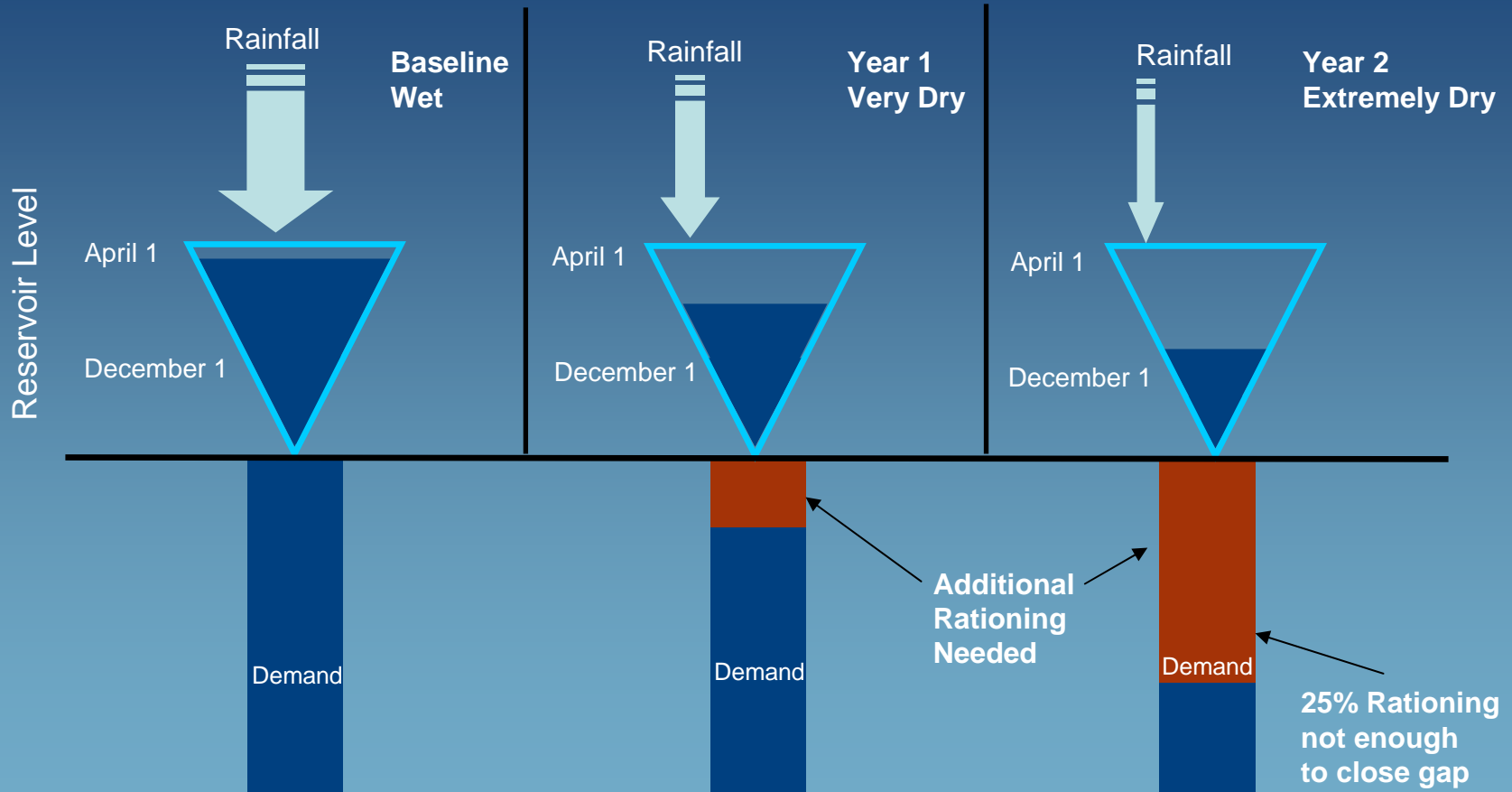


Rationing Plan

- Rationing plan
 - 10% voluntary use reduction in the first year of a severe drought
 - Mandatory rationing to achieve 25% savings in water use in the second year
- Even with the additional supplies developed and this mandatory rationing:
 - MMWD reservoirs would run out of water in the second year of a severe drought



Repeat of the 1976-1977 Drought



The Bottom Line

- MMWD does not have adequate water supply to meet regulated fish requirements and customer needs during a sustained drought
- By the year 2025 the supply-demand deficit will more than double to 6,700 acre-feet per year
- To address this deficit, Marin must increase water supply and reduce water demand



Meeting the Challenge



The First Step: Water Conservation

- MMWD Board has already committed to an aggressive conservation program
- Investing \$44 million in staffing, rebates, incentives, and education

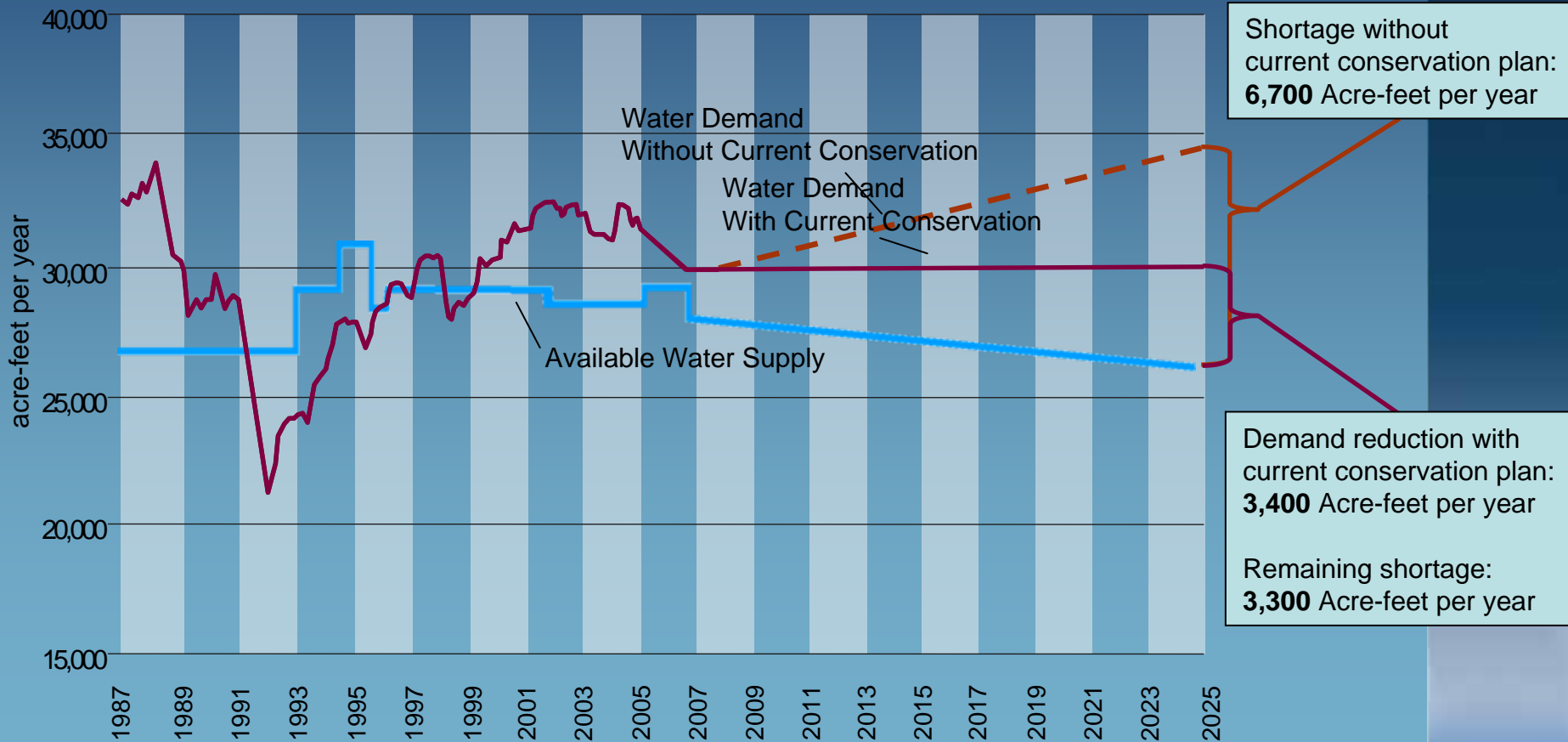


- Expecting a matching \$96 million in customer investment
- Current conservation program will cut long-term deficit in half



The Long-Term Deficit

MMWD Water Demand vs. Available Supply



Closing the Gap

Opportunities Being Investigated

Increase Supply

- Desalination
- Increase Russian River Supply
- Modify Reservoir Operations

Reduce Demand

- Further Increase Water Conservation
- Increase Recycled Water



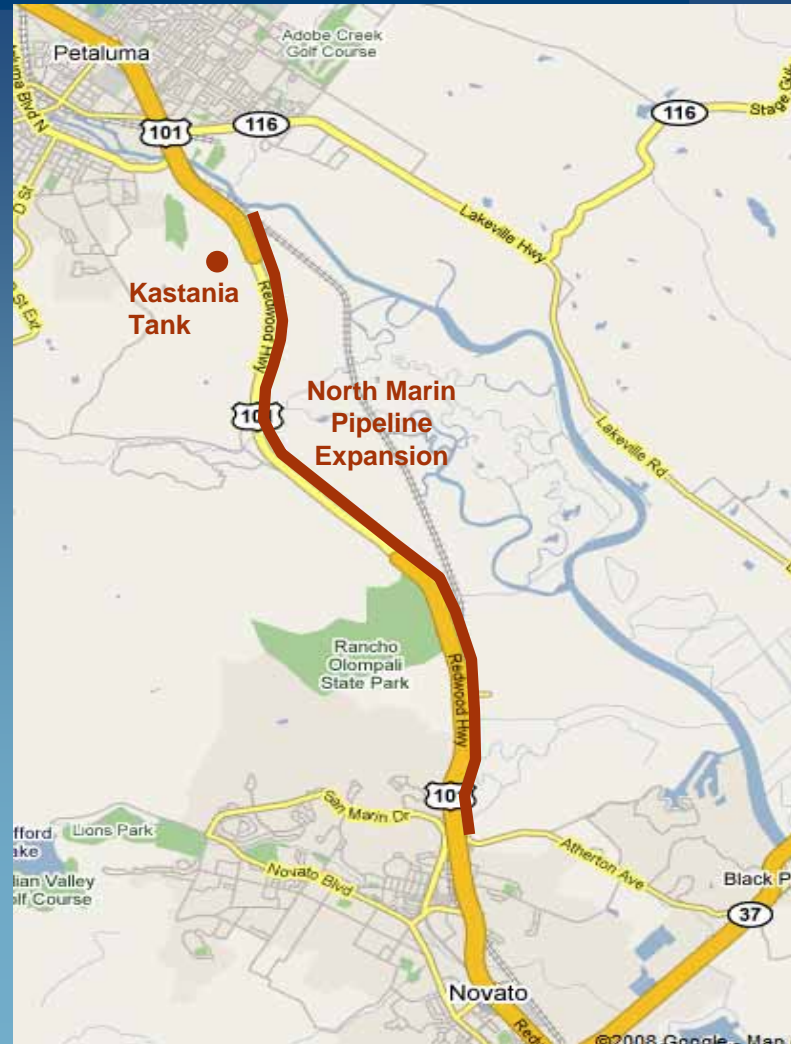
Desalination

- **Benefits**
 - Reliable source of water
 - District-owned and operated
- **Considerations**
 - More expensive than other options
 - Energy requirements



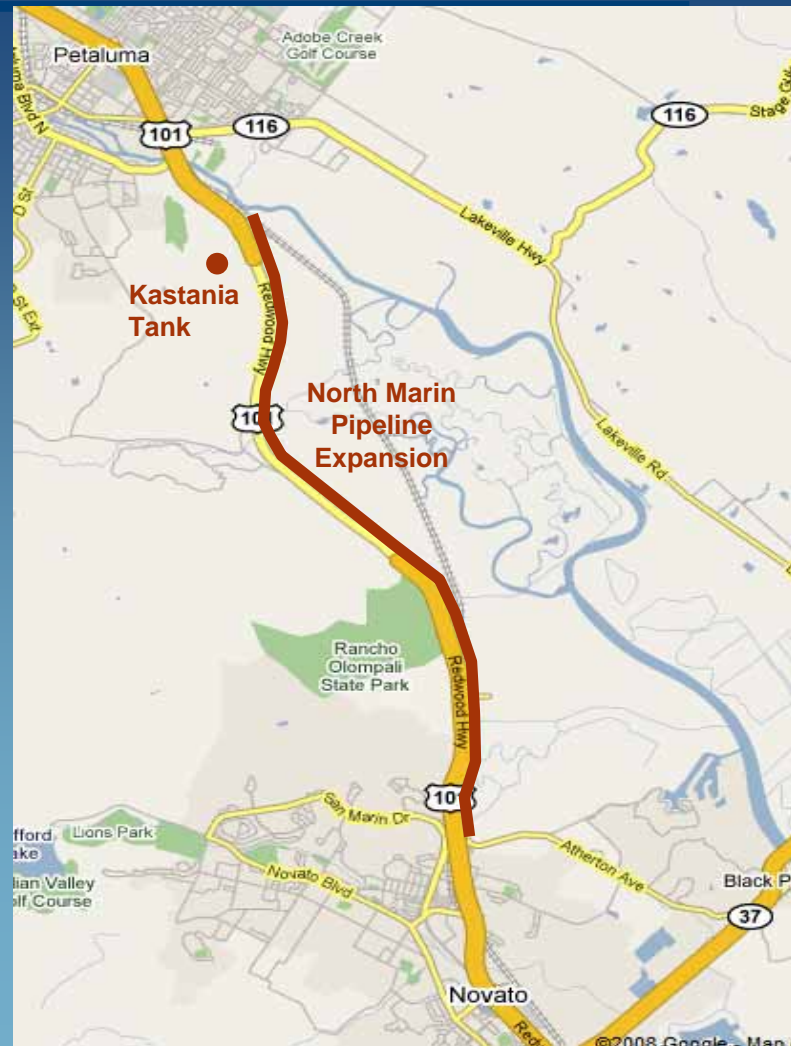
Russian River Supply Increase

- North Marin Pipeline
 - Enlarge pipeline along Marin-Sonoma Narrows
 - Coordination with North Marin Water District and Caltrans
- Sonoma County Water Agency
 - Pipeline and system improvements within SCWA
 - Coordination with SCWA



Russian River Supply Increase

- Benefits
 - Least expensive option
 - Water contract already in place
- Considerations
 - Pipeline relies on actions by other water districts
 - Pipeline supply may be unreliable in drought years
 - Supply depends on others completing environmental approvals for diverting water from Russian River



Increased Water Conservation

- Benefits

- Least environmental impact
- Some program components could be less expensive than other options

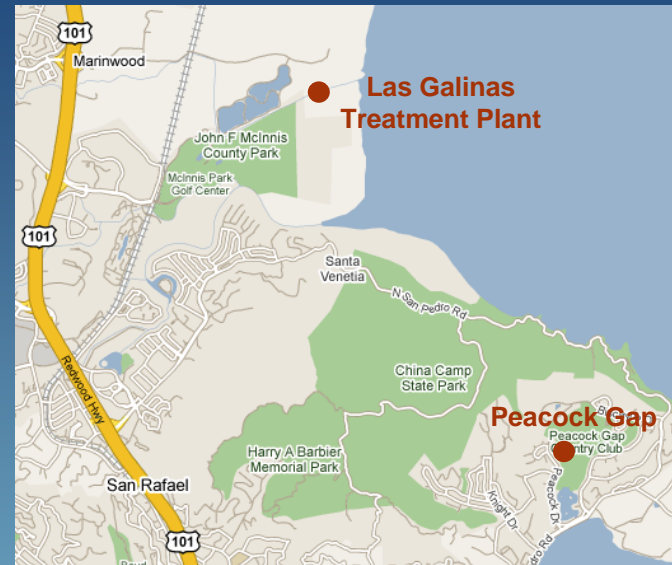
- Considerations

- Demand reduction beyond projections of existing program is uncertain – requires more analysis
- Relies on ongoing actions and behavior change by thousands of customers
- Some program elements could be costly



Recycled Water & Operations

- Expand Recycled Water System
 - Add Peacock Gap golf course and residential customers
- Modify Reservoir Facilities
 - Change intakes, pipes, and pumps
 - Access unused reservoir storage in critically dry years



Recycled Water & Operations

- Benefits
 - Relatively simple to implement
 - Improve system operations
- Considerations
 - Do not fully close the gap
 - Environmental review and permitting to be completed



Opportunities Comparison Criteria

- **Quantity**
 - Amount of Supply or Demand Reduction
- **Cost**
 - Cost per Acre-foot, Rate Impact, Debt Load
- **Timing**
 - When water becomes available or demand is reduced
- **Feasibility**
 - Performance Certainty – Likelihood of providing the expected supply-demand
 - Complexity – Number of partners and permits
 - Flexibility – Response to changes in planning assumptions (climate, population, etc.)
- **Environmental Impacts**
 - Number of significant and unavoidable adverse environmental impacts



Comparison of Opportunities

Opportunity	Supply/(Demand) Acre feet/year	Effective Date (Year)	Cost (\$/AF)
Russian River – North Marin Pipeline	1,000	2011	\$1,600
Russian River – SCWA Improvements	3,300	2015	\$1,200
Desalination – 5 MGD	3,300	2014	\$3,500
Desalination – 1 MGD	1,000	2013	\$3,600
Reservoir Operations	1,000	2011	\$400
Conservation – 1300	(1,300)	2025	\$1,000/\$2,650
Conservation – 3300	(3,300)	2025	\$770/\$2,100
Peacock Gap Recycled Water	(300)	2011	\$2,300
Recycled Water – 21 Phases	(1,000)	2020	\$6,200



Portfolios Supply/Savings

	Maximum Diversity	Marin Pipeline	Marin & Sonoma Pipeline	All Conservation	Local Desalination
Additional Conservation		1,300 AF/Yr		3,300 AF/Yr	
Desalination	1,000 AF/Yr				3,300 AF/Yr
Russian River	1,000 AF/Yr	1,000 AF/Yr	2,300 AF/Yr		
Reservoir Operations	1,000 AF/Yr	1,000 AF/Yr	1,000 AF/Yr		
Additional Water Recycling	300 AF/Yr				

All provide 3,300 AF/Yr to
Balance Supply and Demand



Financial Comparisons

	Maximum Diversity	Marin Pipeline	Marin & Sonoma Pipeline	All Conservation	Local Desalination
Total Costs / AF	\$1,600	\$870/ \$1,500	\$880	\$770/ \$2,100	\$3,000
Debt Service for 30 Years	\$5.3 M / Yr	\$2.1 M / Yr	\$2.0 M / Yr	\$0.6 M / Yr	\$7.8 M / Yr
T1 Rate in 2014	\$4.07	\$3.97	\$3.93	\$3.94	\$4.15
Rate Incr. Above Inf. %	4.63	2.06	1.03	1.29	6.68



What Do You Think?

We need to determine the best approach for Marin now, because some of these options take at least 3 to 5 years to implement

- What considerations are most important to you?
 - Cost, timing, reliability, flexibility, environmental, etc.
- What approach would you take, and why?



Process Steps

- December 19 – Release Final EIR
- January, 2009
 - Water supply/demand public workshop
 - Economic impacts of drought symposium
 - Discussions with Marin organizations
- February, 2009
 - Certify the Final EIR (February 4)
 - Decision on early actions (February 11)
 - Continuing evaluation of next steps in conservation



Contact Us

Please let us know your comments and preferences about the opportunities

- Fill out a comment card
- Stay tuned for additional opportunities to participate

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