



City of Santa Cruz Water Department and Soquel Creek Water District scwd² Desalination Program

Monthly Project Update – November 2010

Mark your calendar for November 10th: Next Informational Meeting features marine issues and how to participate during the environmental review process

The fourth in a series of **scwd²** Community Informational Meetings will focus on marine issues related to desalination and the environmental review process for the Project-level Environmental Impact Report. Come to this community meeting to learn:

- Why water is a critical issue and how supply shortfalls affect the City of Santa Cruz and Soquel Creek Water District
- How the desalination process interacts with the marine environment
- What different types of intake systems are being evaluated for the proposed project
- How to participate in the environmental review process and the upcoming scoping period.

Presentations will be given by Heidi Luckenbach (**scwd²** Desalination Program Coordinator, City of Santa Cruz), Dr. Dave Mayer (President, Tenera Environmental), Todd Reynolds (Senior Engineer, Kennedy/Jenks Consultant), Bill Faisst (Vice President, Brown and Caldwell) and Ann Sansevero (Project Manager, URS Corporation). A question and answer session will follow the presentations.

This meeting will be held on November 10th at the Loudon Nelson Center (301 Center Street, Santa Cruz) from 6:30-9:00 PM. For more information on this meeting, please check the www.scwd2desal.org website. To view the meeting flyer, click [here](#).

Off-shore Geophysical Study available on project website

On October 20th, the **scwd²** Task Force accepted the Offshore Geophysical Study prepared by EcoSystems Management as complete, and the executive summary is now available on our project website at www.scwd2desal.org/Page-Documents.php under "Technical and Project Reports." This study identifies the locations and characterizations of the alluvial basin offshore from the San Lorenzo River to determine possible locations for sub-seafloor intake systems that would be further evaluated in the **scwd²** Intake Feasibility Study.

Notice of Preparation (NOP) for proposed project to be released November 15

The City of Santa Cruz and Soquel Creek Water District will issue the Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the proposed regional seawater desalination project Environmental Impact Report (EIR) on or about November 15. The purpose of the NOP is to solicit guidance and comments as to the scope and content of the environmental information to be included in the EIR. Two public scoping meetings will be held on December 8, 2010 for the public to participate in the process and provide comments.

* 12:00 – 2:30 PM at First Congregational Church (900 High Street, Santa Cruz)

* 6:30 – 9:00 PM at New Brighton Middle School (250 Washburn Avenue, Capitola)

Video footage from Recycled Water Meeting now available

Community TV of Santa Cruz County recently filmed the September 23rd Community Informational Meeting on Recycled Water. If you were unable to attend, this program is scheduled to play on Comcast 25/Charter 71 several times in November. For the schedule, click [here](#). It is also available on You Tube at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nr-HkSBi-K4> and will soon be posted on our project website.

Project Information

For more information, please visit our project website at www.scwd2desal.org or call 831.475.8501 x153. Please share these updates with others. If you would like to have Project Updates emailed directly to you, please email your request to melanies@soquelcreekwater.org.

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