# Regional Water Supply Resiliency Study

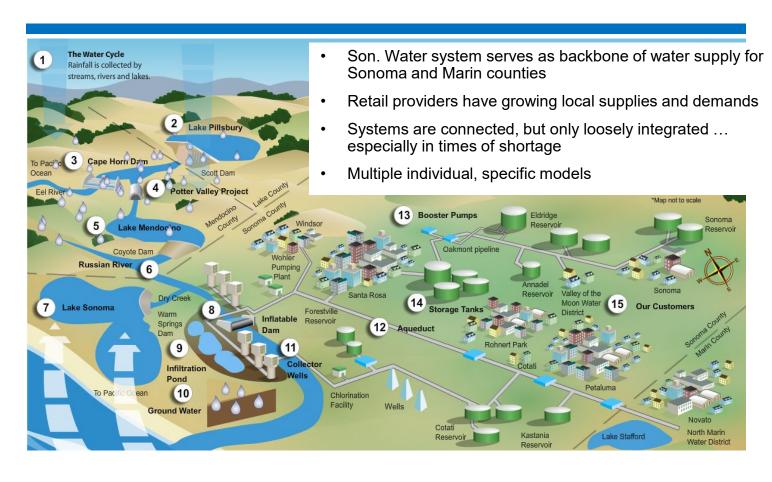


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# Complex Interconnected System





# Resiliency Study Project Overview

#### PHASE 1:

Work Plan and Scoping Document

#### PHASE 2:

Development and
Implementation
of Decision Support Tool

#### PHASE 3:

Modification and Maintenance of Decision Support Tool

12 months

24 months

36 months



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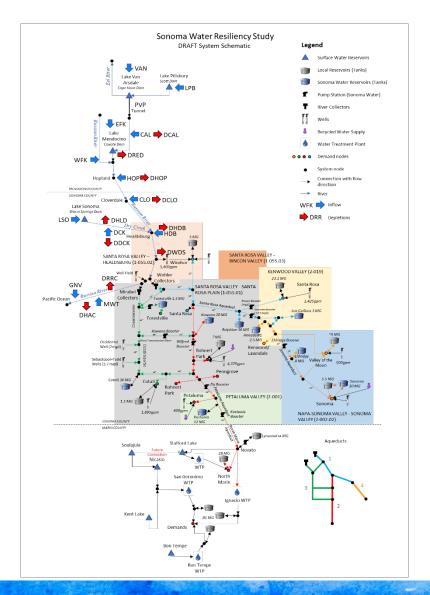
Resiliency Study seeks to:

identify the key factors impacting regional water supply resiliency, evaluate the current levels of resiliency, develop a decision support framework model and process, and identify promising opportunities for Sonoma Water and its retail customers to improve regional resilience in the future First of a kind look at the Integrated Regional System

Russian River & Potter Valley Project (Eel River)

Sonoma Water "backbone" system 9 retail customer systems 6 groundwater basins

local supplies and recycled water multiple risk drivers decision support model



### Ranking Risk Drivers: Drought and Seismic Highest Priority

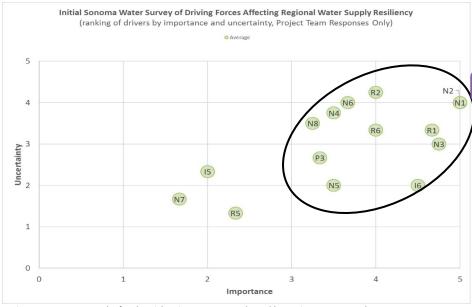


Figure 4. Average Results for the Risk Driver Survey Conducted by Project Team Members (Note: I11 and I12 risk drivers were not included in the initial survey and are thus not shown in the graphic).

	No	Risk Driver	Risk Type	Phase of Study
	N1	Wildfire	Sudden	Phase 2
	N2	Earthquake	Sudden	Phase 2
,	N3	Drought	Sudden/Gradual	Phase 2
/	N4	Russian River Water Quality Contamination	Sudden	Phase 2
	N5	Power Loss	Sudden	Phase 2
	N6	Flooding	Sudden	Phase 2
	N7	Sea Level Rise	Gradual	TBD
	N8	Local Source Water Quality Contamination	Sudden	Phase 2
	P3	Rapid Demand Growth	Sudden/Gradual	Phase 2 (TBD)
	R1	Potter Valley Project Uncertainty (seismic/regulatory)	Sudden/Gradual	Phase 2
	R2	New Russian River Treatment Regulations	Gradual	TBD
	R5	SGMA Impacts on Groundwater Supply (City of Sonoma/VOMWD)	Gradual	Phase 2 (TBD)
	R6	Changing Biological Opinions	Gradual	TBD
	15	Groundwater Well Operational Failures	Sudden	Phase 2
	16	Aging Infrastructure	Sudden/Gradual	Phase 2
	l111	COVID-19 Workforce Response	Sudden/Gradual	TBD
	l12	Operational Control Systems Disruption	Sudden	Phase 2



# Assessment of Drought Resiliency Completed Spring 2022

- Stochastic analysis of 108 traces (1910-2017)
- Probabilities of storage and supply deficits derived from traces
- Compare base-line (no mitigation measures) to scenarios with packages of mitigation measures
- Evaluate near-term stress test for WY 2022-26) by using worst-case 5-year interval (WY 1976-78) Represents severe 2-year drought preceded by current drought
- Evaluate long-term drought resiliency (climate future forecasts)



**Sonoma Water Regional Water Supply Resiliency Study** 

Accelerated 2021-2022 Drought Resiliency Analysis



FINAL DRAFT
April 27, 2022
Sonoma Water



# SYNTHESIS OF DROUGHT WATER MANAGEMENT OPTIONS

#### **Increase Supply**

Increase groundwater production (new or rehabilitated wells)

Winter water diversion

Regional groundwater bank (Santa Rosa Plain, Sonoma Valley, Petaluma)

Alexander Valley FloodMAR

Sonoma Developmental Center water supply and forebay for groundwater recharge

Expand recycled water supply

Ocean desalination and/or brackish water desalination Interconnection with Bay Area supplies (water transfers)

#### **Reduce Demand**

Water conservation and water use efficiency in agricultural, municipal, and CII sectors

#### **Improve Operations**

Kastania Pump Station improvements

Expand surface storage (Lake Stafford weir, sediment removal)

Lake Sonoma Forecast Informed Reservoir Operations (FIRO)

Increase recycled water storage

Storage operational management levels

Lake Mendocino variable gates and outlet channel improvements



#### **Modify Policy and Regulations**

Regulatory flexibility through TUCPs

#### PLANNING FOR LONGER-TERM DROUGHTS

#### **Early Actions Offer Immediate Opportunities for Resiliency Benefits**

Water conservation

Flexibility through TUCPs

Increasing groundwater production (Sonoma Water and Retail Customers)

Kastania Pump Station improvements

# <u>Longer-Term Actions Offer Potential for Resiliency during Prolonged, Extreme Droughts</u>

#### Lake Sonoma FIRO

Regional groundwater bank

Expand winter water diversion

SDC water supply

Ocean and brackish Desalination

Expand surface storage

Expand recycled water supply

Alexander Valley Managed Aquifer Recharge



## Seismic Resiliency (In-Process)

- Since 2004, Sonoma Water has evaluated seismic risks and implemented several projects to reduce those risks
- Design Event (Magnitude 7.0 Rogers Creek Fault earthquake)
- Sonoma Water recently completed update to Natural Hazard Reliability Plan (NHRP)
  - Detailed finite element modeling of seismic hazards to collector wells
  - Modeling of transmission system (Monte Carlo simulation)
  - Modeling to estimate magnitude and duration of service interruption to repair transimission system
  - NHRP has several recommended actions (studies & projects) to improve risk analysis & reduce risk
- Sonoma Water and Retail Agencies are incorporating results of seismic analyses into regional model to inform assessment of regional risk mitigation projects and measures

