City of Sebastopol

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS / REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR

WELL 4 REPLACEMENT (CIP #0822-24.06)

Proposal Due Date: December 1, 2025, 5:00 P.M.



Approved for Release:

Toni Bertolero, Public Works Engineer

November 3, 2025

Date

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

714 JOHNSON STREET SEBASTOPOL, CA 95472 engineering@cityofsebastopol.gov Phone: 707-823-2151

I) BACKGROUND

The City of Sebastopol is soliciting proposals from qualified engineering firms for the Well 4 Replacement Project CIP #0822-24.06 (Project). Well 4 is located at 710 Petaluma Avenue in Sebastopol at the intersection of Gravenstein Highway and Palm Avenue. Located on the site is a well and pump house, two vertical GAC filter vessels, including process piping, valving, sand removal equipment, and a filter backwash storage/buffer tank.

The well was drilled in 1953 to a depth of 530 feet has a 14-inch steel casing. The well pump is 100 horsepower (HP) vertical turbine pump enclosed within a pump house and rated for 900 gpm capacity. Additional information can be found in the report entitled *Drinking Water Regulatory Compliance Feasibility Project, GHD Inc., November 2012* (see Appendix C).

This RFP is to provide engineering services for the Project as described in paragraph II below.

II) DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

The Project consists of well drilling and development, well pump and VFD, well building, site work, yard piping, electrical, and controls. The City recently purchased a new pump. Rather than purchasing an additional pump for this replacement well, the City would like to use the one that was previously purchased in the design. This should be discussed further during the design phase. The project will also include assistance with financing and/or grant funding of the construction of the Well 4 replacement. Additional information can found in the document entitled *City of Sebastopol Well #4 Funding Evaluation Technical Memorandum, Hazen and Sawyer, June 30, 2025* (see Appendix D).

III) SCOPE

The selected Consultant must provide and identify an experienced project team who has successfully delivered services on similar projects. The general scope of services include:

Scope

- Project management
- Attending meetings with regulatory agencies such as the Water Board, Office of Drinking Water (up to 4)
- Preliminary design and preliminary cost estimate
- Final design and preparation of plans, specifications, and Engineer's Estimate
- Public presentation and outreach (up to 2 meetings)
- Assistance with financing or grant application
- Documentation and compliance, obtaining necessary permits, and ensuring all regulatory requirements are met

The Proposer shall include an Approach to the Work, and a Detailed Scope of Work in their Proposal.

IV) FEE ESTIMATE

A detailed breakdown of fees, by task, shall be provided in spreadsheet format.

V) PRE-QUALIFICATION

If you are selected and your firm does not currently have a valid Master Services Agreement with the City, you will be required to enter into a Professional Services Agreement (see Appendix B). Please review Standard Terms and Conditions in Section XII.

If your firm is selected and has a valid Master Services Agreement, you will not be required to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with the City, but will be contracted through a Task Order agreement and Purchase Order issued by the City.

VI) SCHEDULE

The Request for Proposals (RFP) was released on the date shown on the cover of this RFP. It is the City's intent that this solicitation will be due on the date shown on the cover of this RFP.

Evaluation of proposals by the City will commence within thirty (30) days of receipt. The City reserves the right to conduct follow-up interviews with Proposer(s). A preliminary schedule of administrative milestones are listed below. The Consultant shall include a schedule in the Proposal that includes key milestones from date of the Notice to Proceed with the work through project completion.

Preliminary schedule:

Release of RFP See date on front cover Proposals Due See date on front cover

Proposal Review/Selection 30 days from Proposal due date

Council Approval January 20, 2025 (est)

Notice to Proceed Date when fully-signed contract is executed

VID CITY'S RESPONSIBILITIES

City will make available standard plans and details, standard contract documents, and general contract provisions for public works contracts for the consultant's use, upon selection. City will also furnish PDF copies of existing City plans, base maps, and other background materials for consultant's use as needed. If only hard-copy versions of the documents are available, a print copy will be provided, at Consultant's costs.

VIII) GUIDELINES FOR PROPOSALS

- a. Proposals should not exceed 15 pages in length, excluding cover letter, dividers, appendices, and summary resumes (no more than one page per person).
- b. Proposals must be signed by the individual who is authorized to execute the Professional Services Agreement or Task Order, should your firm be selected.
- c. Proposals shall include documentation demonstrating that the firm has contracted directly with public agencies located in California within the last five (5) years and successfully completed a minimum of three (3) projects of similar scope and size.
- d. Documentation for each referenced project included in your proposal shall include information in the format shown below:
 - 1) Client Name
 - Project Name and Description, including if construction project was funded with federal aid grant funds

- 3) Project Start and End Dates
- 4) Client Project Manager Name, Phone Number, and email address
- 5) Key Consultant team members including assigned project manager, Lead design engineer, and finance/grant specialist
- e. Proposals shall include a summary section describing your understanding of and approach to the proposed project assignment identified in this RFP, and a detailed Scope of Work to complete the project.
- f. Proposals shall include your firm's general billing information as follows:
 - 1) Schedule of hourly rates, including any special rates offered to public agencies, and prevailing wage rates as appropriate.
 - 2) Travel-time charge-out policy (please see item #5 below).
 - 3) Vehicle or equipment charge-out policy.
 - 4) Percentage markup for reimbursable expenses.
 - 5) Lodging expenses, meals, air fare, and other travel expenses (excluding vehicle mileage reimbursement) to and from Consultant's Office to the job site are not allowed.

IX) PROCESS FOR SUBMITTING PROPOSALS

- a. Proposals should focus on information requested above. Brochures and promotional materials should not be submitted with your proposal.
- b. Submit three (3) paper copies of proposal, one of which is unbound, in a sealed envelope addressed to:

Attn: Elissa Overton, Engineering Technician II Sebastopol Public Works Department 714 Johnson Street Sebastopol, CA 95472 RE: RFP for Well 4 Replacement Project

The Fee Estimate, as described in Section IV, shall accompany the Proposal. Proposals shall be submitted in person, or by mail, or delivery service by the due date stated on the front cover of this RFP. In addition to the paper copies, please submit a PDF copy of the Proposal (excluding the Fee Estimate) to engineering@cityofsebastopol.gov. Office hours for receipt of Proposals are:

Monday – Thursday, 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Offices are closed on state and federal holidays

A final Cost Proposal/Fee Estimate will be negotiated with the selected consultant.

X) QUESTIONS

Questions regarding this RFP or its requirements may be submitted, preferably by email, to: engineering@cityofsebastopol.gov. Due to staffing constraints, the City will attempt to respond within two (2) business days of receipt (note Fridays are non-business days for the City). Your email question should include in the Subject Line: "Questions re. RFP for Well 4 Replacement Project". Questions via phone call may be made to Elissa Overton at (707) 823-2151.

Prior to submitting proposals, consultants should not contact any other City personnel, elected or appointed officials. The City reserves the right to reject any proposal for violation of this provision.

XI) EVALUATION CRITERIA

The City's consultant evaluation and selection process is based upon "Qualifications Based Selection" (QBS) for professional services. The following criteria will be used in evaluating the proposals:

- a. Responsiveness to solicitation and understanding of project.
- b. Proposal documentation of demonstrated relevant experience, particularly withwell development and construction of municipal wells for public agencies.
- c. General qualifications and experience of the firm, project manager, lead design engineer, and other key individuals assigned to projects.
- d. Clarity of proposal.
- e. Information obtained from reference checks.

The City may also contact responding firms to clarify information in proposals or to seek and review additional information deemed pertinent to the evaluation process. The evaluation committee shall determine the final Pre-Qualified Consultants "Short-List" in consideration of the best interests of the City. The evaluation committee consists of up to three (3) City staff from one or more of the following departments: Public Works, Planning, City Administration, and Building. The final recommendation to Council will be made by the City Manager.

After written proposals have been reviewed, online or in-person interviews with prospective firms may be conducted by the City. If scheduled, oral interviews will be in an informal question/answer format for the purpose of clarifying the proposal. The individuals who represent your firm in any scheduled interview must include the person who would be directly responsible for carrying out the contract, including the Construction Manager and the Lead Inspector.

A Notification of Intent to Award will be sent to the consultant selected. Award is contingent upon the successful negotiation of final contract terms contained in the Master Services Agreement or Professional Services Agreement, and subject to approval by the City.

Negotiations shall be confidential and not subject to disclosure to competing consulting firms unless an agreement is reached.

XII) STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- a. This RFP does not commit the City to award a contract or to pay any costs incurred for any services.
- b. The City, at its sole discretion, reserves the sole right to determine which consultants are ultimately included in the Pre-Qualified Consultants List.
- c. All proposals will become the property of the City of Sebastopol. Any proprietary information contained in the proposal should be clearly identified as such.
- d. The City reserves the right to amend this RFQ/RFP from time to time. The current version will be posted on the City website link: bit.ly/SebEng23
- e. The cost for developing the proposal is the sole responsibility of the proposer. All proposals submitted become the property of the City.

- f. Prior to award, the apparent successful firm(s) may be required to enter into discussions with the City to resolve any contractual differences. If no resolution is reached, the proposal may be rejected.
- g. Proposals are subject to the California Public Records Act. The City cannot protect proprietary data submitted in proposals.
- h. Insurance Requirements: Successful proposers, who are invited to be included on the Shortlisted Pre-Qualified Consultants List must furnish the City with the Certificates of Insurance proving coverage as specified in Appendix A. No exceptions will be made to this requirement.

It is the proposer's responsibility to review these requirements carefully prior to submitting a proposal in response to this solicitation. Your response must indicate your familiarity with the insurance requirements and your willingness to comply with them as they are written. If you take any exceptions to the terms of the contract, these must be included in your proposal in writing. The City will consider this in determining responsiveness to the Request for Proposals.

APPENDICES:

- A. Insurance Requirements
- B. Professional Services Agreement
- C. GHD Report, November 2012
- D. Hazen & Sawyer Technical Memorandum, June 2025



APPENDIX A City of Sebastopol Insurance Requirements for Consultants

Consultant shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Consultant, its agents, representatives, or employees.

MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- 1. Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury, and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location (ISO CG 25 03 or 25 04) or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- 2. Automobile Liability: Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 0001 covering, Code 1 (any auto), or if Consultant has no owned autos, Code 8 (hired) and 9 (non-owned), with limit no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
- 3. Workers' Compensation insurance, as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.
 - (Not required if consultant provides written verification that it has no employees)
- 4. Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions) Insurance appropriates to the Consultant's profession, with limit no less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence or claim, \$2,000,000 aggregate. The Retroactive Date must be shown and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of the contract of work. If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policy form with a Retroactive Date prior to the contract effective date, the Consultant must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of contract work. A copy of the claims reporting requirements must be submitted to the City of Sebastopol for review.
 - If the Consultant maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, the City of Sebastopol requires, and shall be entitled to, the broader coverage and/or higher limits maintained by the Consultant. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the City of Sebastopol.

Other Insurance Provisions

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

The City of Sebastopol, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Consultant including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations.

General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Consultant's insurance at least as broad as one of the following ISO ongoing operations Forms: CG 20 10 or CG 20 26 or CG 20 33 (not allowed from subcontractors), or CG 20 38; <u>and one of the following ISO completed operations</u> Forms: CG 20 37, 2039 (not allowed from subcontractors), or CG 20 40.

Primary Coverage

For any claims related to this contract, the Consultant's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance coverage at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects the City of Sebastopol, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City of Sebastopol, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Consultant's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

Notice of Cancellation

Consultant shall provide immediate written notice if (1) any of the required insurance policies is terminated; (2) the limits of any of the required policies are reduced; (3) or the deductible or self-insured retention is increased. In the event of any cancellation or reduction in coverage or limits of any insurance, Consultant shall forthwith obtain and submit proof of substitute insurance.

Waiver of Subrogation

Consultant hereby grants to the City of Sebastopol a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Consultant may acquire against the City of Sebastopol by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Consultant agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the City of Sebastopol has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer. However, the Workers' Compensation policy shall be endorsed with a waiver of subrogation in favor of the City of Sebastopol for all work performed by the Contractor, its employees, agents, and subcontractors.

Self-Insured Retentions

Self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the City of Sebastopol. The City of Sebastopol may require the Consultant to provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention. The policy language shall provide, or be endorsed to provide, that the self-insured retention may be satisfied by either the named insured or the City of Sebastopol.

Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with insurers authorized to conduct business in the state with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the City of Sebastopol.

Verification of Coverage

Consultant shall furnish the City of Sebastopol with original Certificates of Insurance including all required amendatory endorsements (or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause) and a copy of the Declarations and Endorsement Page of the CGL policy listing all policy endorsements to the City of Sebastopol before work begins. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Consultant's obligation to provide them. The City of Sebastopol reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.

Subcontractors

Consultant shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance, meeting all the requirements stated herein, and Contractor shall ensure that the City of Sebastopol is an additional insured on insurance required from subcontractors.

Special Risks or Circumstances

The City of Sebastopol reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into on	by and between the City
of Sebastopol, located in the County of Sonoma, State of California	(City), and [Consultant Company
Name] (Consultant).	

RECITALS:

- A. City desires to employ Consultant to furnish professional services in connection with the project described as Professional Audit Services.
- B. Consultant has represented that Consultant has the necessary expertise, experience, and qualifications to perform the required duties.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual premises, covenants, and conditions herein contained, the parties agree as follows:

SECTION 1 – BASIC SERVICES

Consultant agrees to perform the services set forth in Exhibit A, "Scope of Services" and made part of this Agreement.

SECTION 2 – ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Consultant shall not be compensated for any services rendered in connection with its performance of this Agreement which are in addition to or outside of those set forth in this Agreement or **Exhibit A**, "Scope of Services", unless such additional services and compensation are authorized in advance and in writing by the City Council or City Manager of the City.

SECTION 3 – TIME FOR COMPLETION

The time for completion of services shall be as identified in Exhibit A, "Scope of Services".

SECTION 4 – COMPENSATION AND METHOD OF PAYMENT

- A. Subject to any limitations set forth in this Agreement, City agrees to pay consultant the amount specified in Exhibit A, Proposal dated [date], attached hereto and made a part hereof. Total compensation shall not exceed a total of \$[amount], unless additional compensation is approved in accordance with Section 2.
- B. Consultant shall furnish to City an original invoice for all work performed and expenses incurred during the preceding month. The invoice shall detail charges by the following categories if applicable: labor (by sub-category), travel, materials, equipment, supplies, subconsultant contracts, and miscellaneous expenses. City shall independently review each invoice submitted to determine whether the work performed, and expenses incurred are in compliance with the provisions of this Agreement. If no charges or expenses are disputed, the invoice shall be approved and City will use its best efforts to cause Consultant to be paid within 30 days of receipt of invoice. If any charges or expenses are disputed by City, the original invoice shall be returned by City to Consultant for correction and resubmission. If the City reasonably determines, in its sole judgment, that the invoiced charges and expenses exceed the value of the services performed to date and that it is probable that

the Agreement will not be completed satisfactorily within the contract price, City may retain all or a portion of the invoiced charges and expenses. Within thirty (30) days of satisfactory completion of the project, City shall pay the retained amount, if any, to Consultant.

C. Payment to the Consultant for work performed pursuant to this Agreement shall not be deemed to waive any defects in work performed by Consultant.

SECTION 5 – STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE

Consultant represents and warrants that it has the qualifications, experience and facilities necessary to properly perform the services required under this Agreement in a thorough, competent and professional manner. Consultant shall at all times faithfully, competently and to the best of its ability, experience and talent, perform all services described herein. In meeting its obligations under this Agreement, Consultant shall employ, at a minimum, generally accepted standards and practices utilized by persons engaged in providing services similar to those required of Consultant under this Agreement.

<u>SECTION 6 – INSPECTION AND FINAL ACCEPTANCE</u>

City may inspect and accept or reject any of Consultant's work under this Agreement, either during performance or when completed. City shall reject or finally accept Consultant's work within sixty (60) days after submitted to City, unless the parties mutually agree to extend such deadline. City shall reject work by a timely written explanation, otherwise Consultant's work shall be deemed to have been accepted. City's acceptance shall be conclusive as to such work except with respect to latent defects and fraud. Acceptance of any of Consultant's work by City shall not constitute a waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement including, but not limited to, the sections pertaining to indemnification and insurance.

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SECTION 8 – INDEMNIFICATION

A. Consultant shall indemnify and hold harmless City, its agents, officers, officials, employees, and volunteers from any and all claims, demands, suits, loss, damages, injury, and/or liability (including any and all costs and expenses in connection therewith), incurred by reason of any negligent or otherwise wrongful act or omission of Consultant, its officers, agents, employees and subcontractors, or any of them, under or in connection with this Agreement; and Consultant agrees at its own cost, expense and risk to defend any and all claims, actions, suits, or other legal proceedings

brought or instituted against City, its agents, officers, officials, employees and volunteers, or any of them, arising out of such negligent or otherwise wrongful act or omission, and to pay and satisfy any resulting judgments.

- B. When Consultant under this Agreement is duly licensed under California Business and Professions Code as an architect, landscape architect, professional engineer, or land surveyor ("design professional"), the provisions of this section regarding Consultant's duty to defend and indemnify apply only to claims that arise out of or relate to the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of the design professional.
- C. If any action or proceeding is brought against Indemnitees by reason of any of the matters against which Consultant has agreed to indemnify Indemnitees as provided above, Consultant, upon notice from City, shall defend Indemnitees at Consultant's expense by counsel acceptable to City, such acceptance not to be unreasonably withheld. Indemnitees need not have first paid for any of the matters to which Indemnitees are entitled to Indemnification in order to be so indemnified. The insurance required to be maintained by Consultant shall ensure Consultant's obligations under this section, but the limits of such insurance shall not limit the liability of Consultant hereunder. The provisions of this section shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement.

The provisions of this section do not apply to claims to the extent occurring as a result of the City's sole negligence or willful acts or misconduct.

SECTION 9 – INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS

- A. Consultant is and shall at all times remain a wholly independent contractor and not an officer, employee, or agent of City. Consultant shall have no authority to bind City in any manner, nor to incur an obligation, debt or liability of any kind on behalf of or against City, whether by contract or otherwise, unless such authority is expressly conferred under this Agreement or is otherwise expressly conferred in writing by City.
- B. The personnel performing the services under this Agreement on behalf of Consultant shall at all times be under Consultant's exclusive direction and control. Neither City, nor any elected or appointed boards, officers, officials, employees or agents of City, shall have control over the conduct of Consultant or any of Consultant's officers, employees or agents, except as set forth in this Agreement. Consultant shall not at any time or in any manner represent that Consultant or any of Consultant's officers, employees or agents are in any manner officials, officers, employees or agents of City.
- C. Neither Consultant, nor any of Consultant's officers, employees or agents, shall obtain any rights to retirement, health care or any other benefits which may otherwise accrue to City's employees. Consultant expressly waives any claim Consultant may have to any such rights.

SECTION 10 – CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

A. Consultant covenants that neither it, nor any officer or principal of its firm, has or shall acquire any interest, directly or indirectly, which would conflict in any manner with the interests of City or which would in any way hinder Consultant's performance of services under this Agreement. Consultant further covenants that in the performance of this Agreement, no person having any such interest shall be employed by it as an officer, employee, agent, or subcontractor without the express

written consent of the City Manager. Consultant agrees to at all times avoid conflicts with the interests of City in the performance of this Agreement.

B. City understands and acknowledges that Consultant is, as of the date of execution of this Agreement, independently involved in the performance of non-related services for other governmental agencies and private parties. Consultant is aware of any stated position of City relative to such projects. Any future position of City on such projects shall not be considered a conflict of interest for purposes of this section.

<u>SECTION 11 – OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS</u>

- A. All original maps, models, designs, drawings, photographs, studies, surveys, reports, data, notes, computer files, files and other documents prepared, developed or discovered by Consultant in the course of providing any services pursuant to this Agreement shall become the sole property of City and may be used, reused or otherwise disposed of by City without the permission of the Consultant. When requested by City, but no later than three years after project completion, Consultant shall deliver to City all such original maps, models, designs, drawings, photographs, studies, surveys, reports, data, notes, computer files, files and other documents.
- B. All copyrights, patents, trade secrets, or other intellectual property rights associated with any ideas, concepts, techniques, inventions, processes, improvements, developments, works of authorship, or other products developed or created by Consultant during the course of providing services (collectively the "Work Product") shall belong exclusively to City. The Work Product shall be considered a "work made for hire" within the meaning of Title 17 of the United States Code. Without reservation, limitation, or condition, Consultant hereby assigns, at the time of creation of the Work Products, without any requirement of further consideration, exclusively and perpetually, any and all right, title, and interest Consultant may have in the Work Product throughout the world, including without limitation any copyrights, patents, trade secrets, or other intellectual property rights, all rights of reproduction, all rights to create derivative works, and the right to secure registrations, renewals, reissues, and extensions thereof.

SECTION 12 – CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION; RELEASE OF INFORMATION

- A. All information gained or work product produced by Consultant in performance of this Agreement shall be considered confidential, unless such information is in the public domain or already known to Consultant. Consultant shall not release or disclose any such information or work product to persons or entities other than City without prior written authorization from the City Manager, except as may be required by law.
- B. Consultant, its officers, employees, agents or subcontractors, shall not, without prior written authorization from the City Manager or unless requested by the City Attorney of City, voluntarily provide declarations, letters of support, testimony at depositions, response to interrogatories or other information concerning the work performed under this Agreement. Response to a subpoena or court order shall not be considered "voluntary" provided consultant gives City notice of such court order or subpoena.
- C. If Consultant, or any officer, employee, agent, or subcontractor of Consultant, provides any information or work product in violation of this Agreement, then City shall have the right to reimbursement and indemnity from Consultant for any damages, costs and fees, including attorney's fees, caused by or incurred as a result of Consultant's conduct.

D. Consultant shall promptly notify City should Consultant, its officers, employees, agents or subcontractors be served with any summons, complaint, subpoena, notice of deposition, request for documents, interrogatories, request for admissions or other discovery request, court order or subpoena from any party regarding this Agreement and the work performed thereunder. City retains the right, but has no obligation, to represent Consultant or be present at any deposition, hearing or similar proceeding. Consultant agrees to cooperate fully with City and to provide City with the opportunity to review any response to discovery requests provided by Consultant. However, this right to review any such response does not imply or mean the right by City to control, direct, or rewrite such response.

SECTION 13 – SUSPENSION OF WORK

City may, at any time, by ten (10) days written notice suspend further performance by Consultant. All suspensions shall extend the time schedule for performance in a mutually satisfactory manner and Consultant shall be paid for services performed and reimbursable expenses incurred prior to the suspension date.

SECTION 14 – COMPLIANCE WITH LAW

Consultant shall keep itself informed of and comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, statutes, codes, ordinances, regulations and rules in effect during the term of this Agreement. Consultant shall obtain any and all licenses, permits and authorizations necessary to perform the services set forth in this Agreement. Neither City, nor any elected or appointed boards, officers, officials, employees or agents of City, shall be liable, at law or in equity, as a result of any failure of Consultant to comply with this section.

SECTION 15 – COMPLIANCE WITH CIVIL RIGHTS

During the performance of this contract, Consultant agrees as follows:

- A. Equal Employment Opportunity. In connection with the execution of this Agreement, Consultant shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, ancestry, age, sexual orientation, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, sex, or national origin. Such actions shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, promotion, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rate of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training including apprenticeship.
- B. Nondiscrimination Civil Rights Act of 1964. Consultant will comply with all federal regulations relative to nondiscrimination to federally-assisted programs.
- C. Solicitations for Subcontractors including Procurement of Materials and Equipment. In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding or negotiations, made by Consultant for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurement of materials or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor, supplier, or lessor shall be notified by Consultant of Consultant's obligations under this Agreement and the regulations relative to nondiscrimination.

SECTION 16 – RECORDS

A. Records of Consultant's direct labor costs, payroll costs, and reimbursable expenses pertaining to this project covered by this Agreement will be kept on a generally recognized accounting

basis and made available to City if and when required for a period of up to 3 years from the date of Consultant's final invoice.

B. Consultant's records and design calculations will be available for examination and audit if and as required. The cost of any reproductions shall be paid by City.

SECTION 17 – COOPERATION BY CITY

All public information, data, reports, records, and maps as are existing and available to City as public records, and which are necessary for carrying out the work as outlined in the Exhibit A, "Scope of Services", shall be furnished to Consultant in every reasonable way to facilitate, without undue delay, the work to be performed under this Agreement.

SECTION 18 – NOTICES

All notices required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be personally delivered, or sent by facsimile or first class mail, addressed as follows:

To City: City Manager

7120 Bodega Ave

Sebastopol, California 95472

To Consultant: [Consultant Name]

[Address]

[City, State, Zip Code]

Notice shall be deemed effective on the date personally delivered or transmitted by facsimile, or, if mailed, three (3) days after deposit in the custody of the U.S. Postal Service.

SECTION 19 – TERMINATION

City may terminate this Agreement, with or without cause, at any time by giving ten (10) days written notice of termination to Consultant. If such notice is given, Consultant shall cease immediately all work in progress.

If either Consultant or City fail to perform any material obligation under this Agreement, then, in addition to any other remedies, either Consultant, or City may terminate this Agreement immediately upon written notice.

Upon termination of this Agreement by either Consultant or City, all property belonging to City which is in Consultant's possession shall be delivered to City. Consultant shall furnish to City a final invoice for work performed and expenses incurred by Consultant, prepared as set forth in this Agreement.

SECTION 20 – ATTORNEY FEES

If litigation or other proceeding is required to enforce or interpret any provision of this Agreement, the prevailing party in such litigation or other proceeding shall be entitled to an award of reasonable attorneys' fees, costs and expenses, in addition to any other relief to which it may be

entitled. In addition, any legal fees, costs and expenses incurred to enforce the provisions of this Agreement shall be reimbursed to the prevailing party.

<u>SECTION 21 – ENTIRE AGREEMENT</u>

This Agreement, including the attached Exhibits, is the entire, complete, final and exclusive expression of the parties with respect to the matters addressed therein and supersedes all other agreements or understandings, whether oral or written, or entered into between Consultant and City prior to the execution of this Agreement. No statements, representations or other agreements, whether oral or written, made by any party which are not embodied herein shall be valid and binding unless in writing duly executed by the parties or their authorized representatives.

SECTION 22 – SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

This Agreement shall be binding on the heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns of the parties. However, this Agreement shall not be assigned by Consultant without written consent of the City.

SECTION 23 – CONTINUITY OF PERSONNEL

Consultant shall make every reasonable effort to maintain the stability and continuity of Consultant's staff assigned to perform the services required under this Agreement. Consultant shall notify City of any changes in Consultant's staff assigned to perform the services required under this Agreement, prior to any such performance.

SECTION 24 – DEFAULT

In the event that Consultant is in default under the terms of this Agreement, the City shall not have any obligation or duty to continue compensating Consultant for any work performed after the date of default and may terminate this Agreement immediately by written notice to Consultant.

SECTION 25 – WAIVER

Waiver by any party to this Agreement of any term, condition, or covenant of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of any other term, condition, or covenant. Waiver by any party of any breach of the provisions of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of any other provision, nor a waiver of any subsequent breach or violation of any provision of this Agreement. Acceptance by City of any work or services by Consultant shall not constitute a waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement.

SECTION 26 – LAW TO GOVERN; VENUE

This Agreement shall be interpreted, construed and governed according to the laws of the State of California. In the event of litigation between the parties, venue in state trial courts shall lie exclusively in the County of Sonoma. In the event of litigation in a U.S. District Court, venue shall lie exclusively in the Northern District of California, in San Francisco.

<u>SECTION 27 – SEVERABILITY</u>

If any term, condition or covenant of this Agreement is declared or determined by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby and the Agreement shall be read and construed without the invalid, void or unenforceable provision(s).

SECTION 28 – SPECIAL PROVISIONS

This Agreement is subject to the following special provisions: none.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have accepted, made, and executed this Agreement upon the terms, conditions, and provisions above stated, the day and year first above written.

City:			Consult [Compa		
By: Name: Title:	Mary Gourley Interim City Manager	Date	By: Name: Title:	[Name] [Title]	Date
Approv	red as to Form:				
By: Name: Title	Alex Mog City Attorney	Date			



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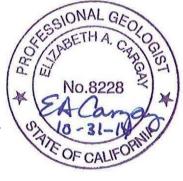


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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 INTRODUCTION

The City retained the services of GHD to conduct a Drinking Water Regulatory Compliance Feasibility Study with the goal of assessing various feasible groundwater system treatment options available to the City in order to:

- 1. Achieve and maintain long-term compliance with existing and new regulatory requirements, primarily for arsenic and tetrachloroethylene (PCE) in municipal drinking water;
- 2. Maintain flexibility and redundancy of water supply sources in order to assure long-term production capacity to serve customers; and
- 3. Assess the opportunities, constraints, and costs of various strategies.

GHD completed this Feasibility Study in three separate task elements with the goal of identifying the best treatment options for the City's drinking water system as a whole. The Study analyzed various combinations and overall costs of treatment to keep the City in compliance with water quality standards of the State. The three Feasibility Study tasks were to:

- Summarize historical well data, complete well site assessments and identify treatment options (Section 2);
- 2. Complete an Alternatives Analysis with various options and compare costs (Section 3); and
- 3. Summarize and Prepare an Implementation Plan (Section 4).

Once each task was completed, a Technical Memorandum was prepared. Upon City approval, the Technical Memorandum was converted into a Chapter of this Final Report. A summary of each of the three tasks is presented below with the final recommendations at the end.

1.2 SECTION 2 – WELL SITE ASSESSMENTS AND TREATMENT OPTIONS

Section 2 contains the well assessments and treatment options. The well assessment portion gives an understanding of the design, operation, and contaminants (if applicable) impacting each of the City's five wells.

The City of Sebastopol's (City) municipal groundwater system is supplied by five wells feeding two pressure zones, but only three wells (Wells 4, 6 and 8) are currently active. Wells 4, and if activated, 5 and 7, supply Pressure Zone 1. Wells 6 and 8 supply Pressure Zone 2.

Wells 4 and 5 have been impacted by chlorinated hydrocarbons but are currently below the maximum contaminant levels (MCL). Naturally occurring arsenic is prevalent in Wells 6 and 7 above the MCL. Well 4 is currently fitted with a granular activated carbon (GAC) treatment system and Well 6 uses blending of Zone 1 water to lower arsenic concentrations. Well 7 is currently not in production due to slightly elevated, but stable, arsenic concentrations above the MCL.

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A discussion of the treatment options is given to identify various treatment technologies and operational changes that are available to limit, reduce, or remove the contaminant(s) present in the well water. For the initial identification of treatment options in this section, all available known options were identified regardless of their cost or feasibility for implementation at the City's well sites. Treatment options included reviewing blending, adsorptive media (e.g. granular ferric hydroxide (GFH)), oxidation, coagulant-assisted coprecipitation/ filtration, lime softening, high pressure membranes, ion exchange, electrodialysis reversal, and advanced oxidation (ozone/UV) with hydrogen peroxide. Well options included new well sources to replace wells and/or enhancing the existing well.

1.3 SECTION 3 – ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS

Section 3 contains information on the treatment alternatives to examine the various options available at each of the well sites to select a preferred alternative for each well with the most cost-effective treatment for meeting State and Federal drinking water standards. The preferred alternative includes elements that would result in a robust City water supply system that is operationally flexible with sufficient redundancy to provide long term solutions with the lowest overall life cycle cost.

The various options and alternatives were developed based on meeting three criteria: operational flexibility, operational redundancy, and life cycle cost. In developing the various alternatives, the two individual pressure zones (Zone 1 and Zone 2) were first analyzed independently from one another; then the entire system was analyzed as a whole (Zone 1 and Zone 2 combined) to develop the list of alternatives for consideration and final selection.

The recommended best alternative is Alternative Z2D-2 which includes:

- 1. Well 4 GAC media changeout, when required;¹
- 2. Well 7 modifications possibly including:, lowering of pump, and reducing pump output and then if necessary, double packer or add swages to well casing;
- 3. Well 6 Iron coprecipitation treatment system installation, assuming Well 7 modifications are successful; and
- 4. Well 7 blending after a partial treatment with GFH adsorptive media.

1.4 SECTION 4 - IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

The Implementation Plan is described in Section 4 and details the recommended sequence of steps to implement the recommended alternative. Greater detail of the steps and a flow chart are presented in Section 4. In summary, the Implementation Plan is as follows:

1. Implement modifications to Well 7 including lowering the pump and flow output and monitor arsenic levels.

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¹ Here and elsewhere in the report, Well 4 GAC media changeout is included for discussion as part of overall strategy; however, this eventual need is known and partial funds remain available for this purpose as a result of the well litigation settlement.



- 2. If modifications at Well 7 do not result in lowering of the arsenic concentrations to below the MCL, consider sealing off additional sections of the well screen with sweges or multiple packers.
- 3. Following improvements at Well 7, improvements to Well 6 are recommended, specifically in the installation of an iron co-precipitation treatment system. GFH treatment is also acceptable at Well 6 as an alternative. The suitability of GFH as a treatment technology is dependent on the expected frequency of the media change out. To determine the expected frequency of the media change out, complete testing of the water accompanied by a pilot study is recommended regardless of the selected technology. Prior to implementation of any technology at full-scale, pilot testing of the chosen technology is strongly recommended to validate the process, develop design criteria, accurate life-cycle costs and operational familiarity with the process.
- 4. Even if immediate modifications at Well 7 are successful, it is still recommended that the partial treatment system employing GFH or similar adsorptive media be designed and installed because the arsenic-impacted groundwater may still bypass the packer through the sand pack over time and raise the arsenic level again. If the immediate modifications do not work, then partial treatment employing GFH should be considered prior to Well 6 treatment.

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2. WELL SITE ASSESSMENTS AND TREATMENT OPTIONS

2.1 INTRODUCTION

Information presented in this section is taken from Technical Memorandum 1 originally submitted to the City on August 1.

2.1.1 PURPOSE

Through meetings with Sebastopol Department of Public Works (DPW) staff, well design and performance data review, well water quality data collection and review, and a site visit conducted on June 14, 2012, GHD performed an assessment of the City wells to determine well condition, pumping performance, and water quality. This information was then used to develop treatment options related to the wells and their particular performance and water quality issues.

2.2 BACKGROUND

2.2.1 SYSTEM OVERVIEW AND HISTORICAL WATER QUALITY

The City's municipal water system is supplied by five wells feeding two pressure zones (Figure 1). Three wells are currently active and two wells are inactive. Well 5 is inactive due to past contamination from dry cleaning chemicals and Well 7 has recently been placed on inactive status due to arsenic concentrations over the MCL. Well 4 is impacted by chlorinated hydrocarbons and Arsenic is prevalent in Wells 6 and 7. Wells 4 and 7 supply Zone 1 while Wells 6 and 8 supply Zone 2. Table 1 includes both historic and the most current water quality data for the contaminants of concern and Table 3 includes specific information on each well's yield, water quality issues, and treatment. In general, the following Table below summarizes the basic information and issues with each well.

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Well Summary

Zone	Zone 1				Zone 2		
Well No.		4	5		7	6	8
Status	Active		Inactive since 1987		Active	Active	Active
Year installed	1953		1960		1996	1968	2007
Current Treatment	Granular Activated Carbon (GAC)		none		Packer installed at 395-400' to seal off upper screens	Blending Zone 1 water with Well 6 water to prior to distribution to Zone 2	none
Contaminant(s) of Concern	1,2 DCA	PCE	PCE (from dry cleaner (which has since been <5 in well since 1993)	BTEX and MTBE nearby	As in the form of As(III)	As in the form of As(V)	none
Recent Contaminant Level in City Well (2011-12)	<5 μg/L	0.49 µg/L (0.29 treated)	0.52 μg/L	<0.5	12 μg/L (Annual Avg)	19-24 µg/L	none
MCL	5 μg/L	5 μg/L	5 μg/L	B=1 μg/L T=150 μg/L E=300 μg/L X=1,750 μg/L MTBE Primary = 13 μg/L (Secondary = 5 μg/L)	10 μg/L	10 μg/L	none
Comments	1, 2 DCA currently not present above detection limit; PCE has been detected, up to 0.49 µg/L; and, As (V) is below MCL.		Prior to putting well back online, City should consider treatment for BTEX and MTBE due to nearby contaminate source.		As (III) concentrations were above the MCL due to failing packer and Arsenic likely moving through the sand pack.	As (V) concentrations continue to rise, reducing the effectiveness of blending.	Well 8 replaced Well 2 at same site; Arsenic was above MCL in old Well 2

Acronyms:

Ás Arsenic

Arsenic (III), naturally occurring, at a valence of +3
Arsenic (V), naturally occurring, at a valence of +5
benzene, toluene, ethyl benzene, and xylene (petroleum derived volatile organic compounds) As (III) As (V) BTEX

MCL

maximum contaminant level (drinking water standard)
Methyl tertiary-butyl ether, primary MCL with secondary MCL in parentheses MTBE

ND non-detect (level)

PCE Perchloroethylene, or aka tetrachloroethylene μg/L micrograms per liter (or parts per billion, ppb)
1, 2-DCA 1, 2 Dichloroethane μg/L



- Well 4 has been impacted by chlorinated hydrocarbons (1, 2-DCA) and more recently low levels of PCE and a Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) treatment system was installed to effectively address these contaminants.
- Well 5 has been impacted with Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) associated with dry cleaning chemicals, e.g., tetrachloroethylene (PCE) and trichloroethylene (TCE), and is in close proximity to a petroleum plume.
- Historically arsenic has been detected at Well 4 ranging between 2-7.9 μg/L and is currently at levels below the MCL of 5 μg/L.
- Wells 6 has arsenic concentrations above the MCL. Well 6 has the highest concentration of arsenic of the Sebastopol well field and is blended with water supplied from Zone 1.
- Well 7 has historical arsenic concentrations at the MCL. Recently, Well 7's current annual average concentration of arsenic is above the MCL.
- Well 8, the newest, active well, is providing water with acceptable quality, and was constructed only
 in the lower aquifer zone to avoid the arsenic in the upper aquifer zone. Well 2, which has since been
 decommissioned and abandoned, was located adjacent to the Well 8. It had arsenic concentrations
 above the MCL because it was screened in the upper and lower aquifer zones.

2.3 HYDROGEOLOGIC CONDITIONS

The City is located in western Sonoma County, California, within the Santa Rosa Valley. The City lies on two different hydrologic basins: the Santa Rosa Valley Groundwater Basin (SR Valley) and the Wilson Grove Formation Highlands (WG Highlands). The eastern portion of the City is located in the midwestern margin of the SR Valley. It is located in a northwest trending, structural depression and the City extends from the plains, into the low hills west of the City and into the Coast Range on the east. The steeper portion of the City is within the WG Highlands and is characterized by gently rolling hills between the Santa Rosa Plain and the Pacific Ocean. The City wells extend to depths of 500 to 700 feet deep into the WG Highlands.

According to California Department of Water Resources, *California's Groundwater Bulletin No. 118, Santa Rosa Valley, Santa Rosa Plain Sub basin,* 2004 Update, and the *USGS Geologic Map of the 7.5 minute Sebastopo*l, 2008, groundwater source is identified in three major units:

Alluvial deposits cover most of the Santa Rosa Plain and consist of up to 100 feet thick of poorly sorted coarse sand and gravel interbedded with moderately sorted fine sand, silt and clay. Alluvial deposits have a specific yield of 8 to 17%.

Glen Ellen Formation is the principal aquifer in the basin and is situated below the alluvial deposits. This unit consists of partially cemented stream channels and terrace deposits with lenses of poorly sorted gravel, sand, silt and clay with fossiliferous sandstone that vary widely in thickness and extent, but ranges in thickness from 300 to 2,000 feet thick. Wells in this unit can produce more than 500 gallons per minute (gpm), but the average specific yield is 3 to 7% and is the formation where most domestic and irrigation wells are installed. Water quality is generally very good but it may occasionally exceed the secondary MCLs for iron and manganese.

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Wilson Grove Formation (formerly Merced) is the major aquifer in the basin, with a thickness of 300 feet to more than 1,500 feet. It is predominantly a marine sandstone and pebbly sandstone. It is fine to very fine grained, well sorted, massive to poorly bedded, fossiliferous sand and sandstone. Water quality is generally very good but it may occasionally exceed the secondary MCLs for iron and manganese. Wells yield from 100 to 1,500 gpm with specific yields ranging from 10 to 20%.

Below these units is the Petaluma Formation which includes sandstone and conglomerates with sub-angular to sub-rounded clasts of greywacke and other basement rocks and volcanic material. The Franciscan Complex basement rock is below the Petaluma Formation and is composed of massive, white to greenish gray, brown and orange-weathering sandstone and can include argillite and shale with disrupted bedding. These units outcrop in the hills of the City. The Sebastopol Fault is a northwest trending strike slip fault that runs to the southeast of Sebastopol. Other lineaments also run parallel to the Sebastopol Fault and extend through the northeastern portion of the City. The City wells are all to the west of these faults, approximately 1,500 feet away.

Geologic Maps of these units are shown in a report prepared for the City in June 2007 by PES Environmental, Inc. (PES), entitled *Water Supply Assessment, Northeast Area Specific Plan*. Copies of the pertinent figures are included in Appendix A for reference. These include a Basin Map, Geologic Map, and a Geologic Cross Section across the City.

2.4 WELL SITE ASSESSMENTS

This section describes a summary of current and pertinent well data provided by the City for their five City wells. The purpose of presenting this information is to provide additional details of the well sites to better understand and thus determine the best treatment options.

2.4.1 WELL 4

2.4.1.1 Site Conditions

Well 4 site is located at 710 Petaluma Avenue in Sebastopol at the intersection of Gravenstein Highway and Palm Avenue (Figure 1). Located on the site is a well and pump house, two vertical GAC filter vessels including process piping, valving, sand removal equipment, and a filter backwash storage/buffer tank. The GAC system became operational in late 2006. The site is sufficiently large enough to support vehicle parking and equipment removal and maintenance.

2.4.1.2 Well and Pump Construction

The well was drilled in 1953 to a depth of 530 feet, has a 14-inch steel casing, and is screened between 237 and 468 feet. The well pump is a 100 horsepower (HP) vertical turbine pump enclosed within a pump house, and rated for 900 gpm capacity. The construction details are summarized on Table 2.

2.4.1.3 Well Impacts

GHD completed a search of data and documents on the GeoTracker website created by the California State Water Quality Control Board for sites with contamination. The website contains copies of reports from open and closed sites in the last 10 years or so. The following open cases were identified near the Well 4 site.



- 1. Valero (former Alliance Station), 720 South Main Street;
- 2. Sebastopol Shell, 778 South Gravenstein Highway;
- 3. Exxon, 840 Gravenstein Highway;
- 4. Old Dry Cleaners/Talmadge Wood, 250 South Main Street; and
- 5. Frees Development Co. Bldg., 501 South Main Street.

Of these sites, the Valero station has impacted the City's Well 4 at Spooner Park, some 200 feet east, with 1,2-Dichloroethane (1,2-DCA). According to the Third Quarterly Monitoring Report for Valero prepared in 2011, the site has an open North Coast Water Quality Control Board (NCRWQCB) case that indicates total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline (TPH-G), benzene, toluene, ethyl benzene and xylenes (BTEX), as well as 1,2-DCA are all potential contaminants of concern at 80 to 100 feet deep. The underground storage tanks (USTs) were removed from the gas station site in 1986 and three double-walled fuel USTs were then installed in place of them. According to reports available for review on the website, groundwater flows in a northeasterly direction at a gradient of 0.01 to 0.008 ft/ft, but moves towards the City Well 4 in a southerly to southwesterly direction as it gets closer to the City well. The soils encountered in the borings were defined as silty sands to sand with silt in the aquifer zones. In 2006, a soil vapor extraction/air sparge system was installed, but was inadequate for the influent concentrations of gasoline. An additional vapor extraction well was installed and is currently being permitted to be added to the current extraction system. Shallow monitoring wells are installed at the edge of the park, between the City well and the Valero station, but none of the monitoring wells have been impacted. Pertinent figures from CSS Environmental' s (CSS) Remedial Action Plan are included in Appendix B and depict the comingled plumes.

In recent correspondence to the City from Ms. Jan Goebel at the NCRWQCB, it was confirmed that PCE has also been steadily climbing at low levels in the groundwater at Well 4 that had not existed prior. Ms. Goebel completed a search of other sites and well data in the area and has requested that the site located at 250 South Main Street, known to the NCRWQCB as the Old Dry Cleaners/Talmadge Wood site, where a dry cleaning business once existed. The NCRWQCB has instructed the owners at the site to begin response to interim remedial action to abate the contamination moving into the radius of influence of Well 4. This is the same site that contaminated the City's Well 5.

At the Frees Site, there is TPH-G and BTEX contamination that has extended beyond the parcel limits approximately 150 feet, but is not fully defined. It appears to be moving in a south-southwesterly direction and contamination has been detected as deep as 80-100 feet. This is in the same path as the other plumes, but appears to originate on the Site. A Groundwater Contour Map and Isoconcentration maps from the Remedial Action Plan prepared by the ECM Group in May 2012 are included in Appendix C for reference. Currently, they are planning on installing a soil vapor extraction treatment system at the site.

2.4.1.4 Contaminants of Concern

Historically, the contaminant of concern has been 1, 2-DCA, but TPH-G and BTEX are also potential contaminants of concern that are in the nearby Valero station. Recent data is also indicating a rise in concentrations of PCE.



2.4.1.5 Treatment Discussion

Well 4 is fitted with a GAC treatment system to address groundwater contamination from 1, 2-DCA. Since its installation, levels of contamination have steadily and continually dropped below the MCL. TPH-G and BTEX are still potential contaminants of concern, but have not been detected in the groundwater from City Well 4. While the water is still processed through the GAC, the water quality at this point sufficiently meets drinking water standards such that filtration of GAC may no longer be necessary for treating the 1,2 DCA. However, with the contaminant levels of nearby plumes and if the concentration of PCE continues to rise, the GAC is necessary as it is an effective method for the removal of PCE and other VOCs. In the most recent samples, PCE levels were detected at $0.41 \, \mu g/L$ in the raw water and $0.24 \, \mu g/L$ in the groundwater collected from the 50% through the first GAC filter port.

2.4.2 WELL 5

2.4.2.1 Site Conditions

Well 5 is located on a small triangular parcel one block east of Gravenstein Highway at 6860 Fannen Avenue, Sebastopol (Figure 1). Immediately north of the site is the Joe Rodota Trail. At the site there is a small pump house and a large, baffled settling tank for the removal of sand. The site has limited area, for vehicle parking and appears sufficient to facilitate equipment removal and maintenance.

2.4.2.2 Well and Pump Construction

Well 5 was constructed in 1960, and is of the same type and construction as Well 4. The pump is a vertical turbine fitted with a 60 HP motor, and pump control equipment housed in the pump house. The pump has a capacity to pump 900 gpm and is set at 250 feet below the ground, and is screened between 138 and 528 feet.

2.4.2.3 Well Impacts

In 1987, PCE was discovered in Well 5. After several investigations, it was determined that the PCE originated from the Em's Chevron/Old Dry Cleaners/Talmadge Wood Site area located to the northwest of Well 5. In 1987, Well #5 was taken out of service. According to an April 2009 report, *Feasibility Study and Comprehensive Remedial Action Plan for 250-280 South Main Street, Sebastopol, CA, completed by CSS, "since cessation of pumping at City Well 5, the natural groundwater flow from the Site has consistently been to the south-southeast instead of towards southeast", towards Well 5. A description of the geology of the area was described in the same report and is summarized below:*

"CSS installed a deep monitoring well, designated as MW-17. Logs of well MW-17, to a depth of 120 feet bgs, show that the saturated water table zone soils consist of permeable granular materials including coarse and fine-grained sands and gravels. This alluvial pattern is consistent with the 1960 test hole for City Well 5, located ¼ mile southeast of the site on Fannen Avenue. Logs of City Well 5 indicate that alluvial sands and gravels predominate to a depth of 112 feet where hard sandstone is reported. This sandstone is a potential confining layer at the base of the shallow unconfined water table. The sandstones are marine deposits and are described alternately as hard and soft, some with marine shells present. They predominate the test hole's log from 112 feet to a depth of almost 300 feet. Clay with various amounts of sand and or gravel appears from about 300 to a depth of about



340 feet. Sands and sandstones predominate to the total depth of the test hole at 646 feet with yellow and blue clay with sand noted between 560 and 590 feet. City Well 5 is screened from 138 to 528 feet, with an annular seal of 120 feet. Another municipal well in the site vicinity, City Well 4, located approximately 1,200 feet downgradient, is screened from 237 feet to 468 feet with an annular seal of 135 feet. Sandstone was encountered in this well at a depth interval of about 135 to 270 feet with underlying clay to about 370 feet."

Since then, the PCE has decreased to the point that the City has been considering options to reactivate the well. In order to assess this possibility, GHD reviewed GeoTracker for nearby sites that could potentially impact this well. The following sites were reviewed:

- 1. Em's Chevron, 280 Main Street;
- 2. Old Dry Cleaner/Talmadge Wood; 250 Main Street, South;
- 3. Angelo Giusti Class III Disposal Site, East of Highway 12, between Burnett and Bodega Ave;
- 4. J&W Foreign Auto Repair, 401 Main Street, South;
- 5. Nelson Site, 327 Petaluma Avenue; and
- 6. Wyatt's Tire Service, 100 Brown Street.

At the Chevron and Old Dry Cleaner sites, a combined workplan has been approved by the NCRWQCB in March 2012. This workplan is for additional drilling to be completed in an attempt to gain information regarding the vertical distribution of groundwater contaminants in the subsurface and assess their diffusion from varying strata within the shallow water-bearing zone. However, it was noted in May 2012 by Analytical Sciences, that PCE was now being detected consistently in Well 4, at 0.49 μ g/L in 2012. The Old Dry Cleaner site's monitoring well MW-14 is a shallow screened well [from 25 to 40 feet below ground surface (bgs)] and is located between the site aLabnd Well 4. MTBE was detected in this monitoring well in August and December of 2011, and in December 2011 it had detectable levels of PCE.

In-situ chemical oxidation has been identified as a remedy for cleanup of the groundwater for VOCs on and near the site. Further downgradient of the Site, VOCs are comingled with petroleum hydrocarbon releases from the J&W Foreign Auto Repair site located at 401 South Main Street, South. Different treatment processes (permanganate and persulfate injections) have been identified to further cleanup the comingled VOCs and petroleum hydrocarbons. This treatment would involve injecting approximately 9,000 gallons of a 2% Permanganate (MnO₄) solution at the Site and approximately 8,000 gallons of a 2% persulfate (S₂O₈) solution near J&W Foreign Auto Repair.

The NCRWQCB has requested that the sites define the extent of MTBE in the groundwater and provide a workplan from these comingled plume owners. To date, a workplan for extent definition has not been implemented.

At the Giusti Disposal site, GeoTracker indicates that there is a solvent investigation going on in 1987, but no other information is given. Additional information is needed to assess the implications on the City wells.



The Nelson site appears to have had a gasoline leak, but no enforcement has been placed on this site. There was no additional information on this site on GeoTracker. Additional information is required to assess the impacts on the City wells.

At the Wyatt's Tire Service site, TPH-G, BTEX, and MTBE are all contaminants of concern due to fuel tank leaks in the 1990s. The solvent 1, 2-DCA has also been detected in the groundwater at varying levels. Most of the known contamination appears to exist in the very shallow groundwater zones, above a locally observed, shallow, clay aquitard and appears to be increasing in concentration in the monitoring wells. Shallow wells are 10 to 10.5 feet deep and groundwater flow has varied considerably, but has tended to move in a southerly to a southeastern direction. An interim soil vapor extraction system was installed in 2011 and ran for a brief time and a Site Conceptual Model and Corrective Action Plan are currently being prepared.

2.4.2.4 Contaminants of Concern

Well 5 has been out of service since 1987 due to PCE contamination in concentrations exceeding MCL standards resulting from the Old Dry Cleaners site upgradient of the site. However, there are several potential sources of contamination that could affect Well 5 as indicated above. VOCs: TPH-G, BTEX, MTBE and 1, 2 DCA are all potential sources of contamination. Currently, the City Well 5 is inactive but the City has continued monitoring the contamination. As present time PCE concentrations are below the MCL, at $0.5~\mu g/L$, and the City would like to consider placing the well back into active status. The treatment for this well should consider all the VOCs and MTBE as potential contaminants of concern.

2.4.2.5 Treatment Discussion

No treatment currently exists at the well site. While the PCE concentrations are currently below the MCL, it is likely that contaminant concentrations will increase when actively pumping on the aquifer and may bring in the other VOCs listed above. For the purposes of this study, it should be assumed that the concentration has the potential to increase and should therefore be treated prior to entering the distribution system. Similar to Well 4, the process by which PCE and the other VOCs are typically and effectively removed is adsorption employing GAC.

2.4.3 WELL 6

2.4.3.1 Site Conditions

Well 6 is located at 991 Gravenstein Highway near Hazel Cotter Court to the south and Redwood Avenue to the north (Figure 1). This well replaced Well 1 and 3. The large, triangular property contains a pump house, well, booster/blending pumps, a cyclone type sand separator, and electrical gear. A significant portion of the site is unpaved and unimproved.

2.4.3.2 Well and Pump Construction

The well was installed in 1968 to 572 feet deep and screened between 172 to 552 feet. The well has a 125 HP submersible pump and has a capacity to pump 750 gpm. The City has just finished installing a booster pump/blending station that blends groundwater from Well 6 with water from one of the City reservoir tanks (Zone 1) at an approximate ratio of 1:3 to reduce Arsenic that appears to be naturally occurring.



2.4.3.3 Well Impacts

Arsenic has been steadily increasing in this well. In a Spinner Test completed in December 2004, depth discrete sampling indicated that the Arsenic appears to be elevated in the shallower aquifer zones (above the MCL of 10 µg/L) in the upper approximate 350 feet (Upper Aquifer), with Arsenic below the MCL below in the lower aquifer zones (Table 1) (Lower Aquifer). In 2008, the City installed an inflatable packer to attempt to isolate the shallow elevated Arsenic zones, but it did not work as intended.

At least one recent test from 2008/2009 for Title 22 constituents detected elevated Aluminum and Manganese above the Secondary MCL; however, subsequent tests reported concentrations well below the Secondary MCL and therefore do not appear at this time to be contaminants of concern.

A review of the GeoTracker website was completed for the area surrounding Well 6. No open cases were indicated near the Well 6, but it is approximately 2,000 feet south of Well 4, which is impacted with VOCs. Although downgradient, it is not expected that the comingled plumes affecting Well 4 would reach Well 6.

2.4.3.4 Contaminants of Concern

Groundwater collected from Well 6 contains elevated, naturally occurring Arsenic above the MCL. Arsenic has been detected below 50 μ g/L in the groundwater around the Santa Rosa Basin and has been linked to naturally occurring Arsenic of the Glen Ellen Formation. According to a USGS study for the neighboring Sonoma Valley Groundwater Basin completed in 2006 (Scientific Investigation Report 2006-5092), thermal water and upwelling fault-zone water contain higher concentrations of dissolved elements because mineral solubility generally increase with temperature. The temperature in the City wells does not appear to be disproportionately higher than the temperature in other City wells. Manganese and iron have also been noted to be detected in other cities in the Santa Rosa Plain associated with naturally occurring solubles, but do not appear to be occurring in Sebastopol.

With Arsenic being the contaminant of concern, further analysis of Arsenic (As) to determine the valance was conducted on July 30, 2012 by the City. A sample was collected in specially prepared containers prepared by the testing laboratory. Results indicate that the groundwater collected from Well 6 contains mostly pentavalent arsenic (As [V]) valance water (Appendix D). Arsenic in this valance state is more readily removable than trivalent arsenic (As [III]), which would require oxidation pretreatment to convert to As [V] before effective treatment by many of the most commonly used methods. Additional information on the treatment options and technologies are presented later in the memorandum.

2.4.3.5 Treatment Discussion

Well 6 has recently been fitted with a booster pump/blending station which blends water supplied from Zone 1 with water supplied from Well 6 before supplying the blended water to Zone 2. This method has been successful in lowering the concentration of Arsenic, but current blended water quality remains close to the 10 µg/L concentration for Arsenic. Should levels continue to rise, the blending of Zone 1 water with Well 6 water will become less effective for the same production volume. Well 6 would then require a reduction in production volume prior to blending or will require a treatment step at the well head to maintain concentrations at or below the MCL.



2.4.4 WELL 7

2.4.4.1 Site Conditions

Well 7 is located at 1157 Village Way, Sebastopol, on a small parcel located on the corner of Cooper Road and Village Way (Figure 1). The site is completely built upon and contains a pump house.

2.4.4.2 Well and Pump Construction

The well was installed in 1996 with multiple screen intervals between 270 and 670 feet deep. The well pump is a 100 HP submersible pump, set at 420 feet deep with a capacity of 800 gpm. An inflatable packer is installed at 395-400 feet.

2.4.4.3 Well Impacts

Arsenic has been detected above the MCL in this well since 2004. In a Spinner Test completed in November 2006, depth discrete sampling indicated that the Arsenic appears to be elevated in the shallower zones (above the MCL of $10 \mu g/L$) in the upper approximate 350 feet, with Arsenic below the MCL in the lower zones (Table 1). In 2008, the City installed an inflatable packer to isolate the shallow elevated Arsenic zones. The packer was then moved to 395 feet and inflated. The level of arsenic was below the MCL for several years, but slowly increased until the level was above the MCL.

In October 2012, the City determined the packer pressure was too low and the packer was likely leaking. They fully inflated the packer and the arsenic level dropped but was still above the MCL. The City had to take the well off-line.

In November 2012, a dye test was completed by BESST Inc, where dye was placed in the well at several depths just above the inflated packer, and tests completed to assess if the dye was passing through. The dye was not detected below the packer, but BESST verbally indicated that the dye could stick to the gravel. They also verified that when dye was injected below the packer, it was detected. This test, although verifying that the packer was effectively sealing off the upper aquifer within the well casing, it was inconclusive at determining how quickly the groundwater is passing from the upper aquifer to the lower aquifer through the gravel pack.

A review of the GeoTracker website was completed for the area surrounding Well 7. One open case was indicated to the west and up/crossgradient of Well 7 and one active gas station was noted nearby.

- 1. Private Residence, 7156/7176/7160 Witter Road, Sebastopol, Cleanup Status: Open Site Assessment, RB Case #: 1NSO732; and
- 2. Ultramar Station, 1080 South Gravenstein Highway, Sebastopol, No open case at current gas station.

In 2008, the NCRWQCB compiled data from many domestic wells located near Witter Road and Elphick Road, named the Witter/Elphick Study Area due to a detection of VOCs in a private well nearby. In 2002, NCRWQCB staff sampled over 65 domestic wells and identified VOCs above the MCLs in 19 wells; specifically, PCE and carbon tetrachloride. In 2005, an investigation determined that groundwater was moving in a north-northeast direction and that VOCs and Nitrate/Nitrite were detected above the MCLs in the groundwater at this site. Since then, the NCRWQCB has determined that a former machine shop once



existed on the 7176/7160 property and had a dry well that may be associated with the contaminants. Pertinent figures are attached as Appendix E, which show the location of the private wells and the contamination in relation to the City well. A workplan has been requested to investigate the plume, but has not been completed as of the review in GeoTracker. Additional information is needed to assess the potential future implications on the Well 7, but to date, no VOC contamination has been detected in this well.

Well 7 is approximately 3,000 feet south of Well 4, which is impacted with VOCs. Although likely downgradient, it is not expected that the comingled plumes affecting Well 4 would affect Well 7.

2.4.4.4 Contaminants of Concern

The latest Well 7 water quality test data in 2012 indicates Arsenic concentrations are around the MCL (10 μ g/L). Any subsequent increase in Arsenic concentration will place the water from the well above the MCL. Furthermore, historical water quality data shows several reported concentrations well above 10 μ g/L with subsequent tests taken showing concentrations below the MCL. This would appear to indicate that potentially as the well "rests", concentrations of Arsenic increase in the groundwater at the well. Then, when pumping commences, the Arsenic concentration diminishes over time until a steady state concentration is reached. It is important to note that the Arsenic concentration increases over time when pumping occurs after the resting period. With the current concentration at the MCL, it is likely that future of Well 7 water will be at or above the MCL.

2.4.4.5 Treatment Discussion

No treatment currently exists at Well 7. Due to the small size of the well site, coupled with the fact that the well site, and the surrounding parcels have effectively been built out, treatment options are limited at this site. Options include blending using water from Zone 2 and partial treatment of the water using adsorption media to lower arsenic concentrations. Additional discussion is in the Treatment Options section below.

2.4.5 WELL 8

2.4.5.1 Site Conditions

Well 8 is located at 351 Jewell Avenue at the corner of Jewell and Calder Avenues, on the same site as the former Well 2 (Figure 1). The decommissioned Well 2 resided inside the pump house. Well 8 is outside the pump house located in a precast concrete structure located 50 feet from the former Well 2. Also located in the pump house, is a booster pump station similar to Well 6, but it is not used for blending. Its sole purpose is to facilitate inter-zone water transfers.

2.4.5.2 Well and Pump Construction

Installed in 2007, Well 8 is the most recently constructed municipal well in the City. It is a 125 HP submersible pump. Well 8 is screened between 320 and 560 to avoid the naturally occurring Arsenic observed in the shallower zones (<350 feet) seen in other wells.

2.4.5.3 Well Impacts

A GeoTracker review was completed for the area surrounding Well 8. There are no sites with contamination that affect the Well 8 site, but it is approximately 1,500 to 2,000 feet away from Main Street where the



comingled VOC/TPH-G/MTBE plume is being investigated near Well 4. It appears that Well 8 is upgradient and has not pulled these contaminants into its radius of influence.

2.4.5.4 Contaminants of Concern

Review of water quality data indicates that there are currently no constituents measured at concentrations that would be the cause of concern. It should be noted that the decommissioned Well 2 did indicate elevated Arsenic concentrations in shallower screened zones (<350 feet) while in operation, but not in the deeper zones.

2.4.5.5 Treatment Discussion

With no contaminants of concern indicated in Well 8, water treatment is not required. Should Arsenic become a constituent of concern, there is sufficient land at the site to support a treatment system and the well house does contain booster pumps that could be used as a blending station.

2.5 TREATMENT OPTIONS AND TECHNOLOGIES

There is a myriad of treatment options, technologies, and scenarios that could be applied the City's wells. The treatment options that could be implemented at the City's municipal wells depend on several factors, specifically:

- 1. The contaminant or contaminants needing removal;
- 2. The volume of water requiring treatment, both in terms of the pump's instantaneous production capability as well as the well's total volumetric production;
- 3. Site and space constraints of the particular well site as well as conveyance systems;
- 4. The relative cost and effectiveness of the treatment equipment relative to other treatment options; and
- 5. The cost and ease of operation and maintenance and the final selection(s) of treatment options at the other wells.

For the purposes of this section, GHD will evaluate all options including non-existing well specific options such as importing water from the Sonoma County Water Agency (SCWA) aqueduct intertie, installation of a new source well, compared to taking no action at all. Since this is also a study of options, all options shall be listed regardless of their feasibility. In the Section 3, Alternatives Analysis, GHD will review all of the options discussed below to determine the right mix of alternatives to meet the long-range water quality goals of the City of Sebastopol.

2.5.1 TREATMENT FOR ARSENIC REMOVAL

Wells 6 and 7 contain Arsenic levels at or above the MCL and must therefore be addressed. The following Table identifies the leading Arsenic removal technologies for Wells 6 and 7, their relative cost to one another, and the well to which they could be applied. Life cycle costs refer to the cost to purchase, install, operate, and maintain the equipment over the functional life of the equipment. The relative ranking is from 1 to 5, with 1 being the best. Additional discussion on life cycle costs will be included in the Section 3.



Treatment Process	Applicable to Well	Ranked Cost to Install and Operate	Comments
Blending	7	1	Reduced effectiveness at Well 6.
			Applicable to 7, especially when considering space constraints.
Adsorptive Media (e.g. granular ferric hydroxide)	6, 7	3	Moderate life cycle cost. Requires regular replacement of media once exhausted. Good candidate for Well 6 based on water production and site conditions
Oxidation	6, 7	2	Moderate life cycle cost, low operating cost. Particularly useful if other contaminants are present requiring oxidation (Fe, Mn, etc.)
Coagulant-assisted Filtration/ Coprecipitation	6, 7	2	Moderate to low life cycle cost. Particularly effective if As is in As[V] form. If As is in As[III] form, pre-oxidation will be necessary. Disposal of backwash concentrate presents possible issues.
Lime Softening/Enhanced Lime Softening	6, 7	2	Moderate capital cost, high operating cost and chemical cost. Unless hardness is an issue with raw ground water other technologies are better suited.
High Pressure Membranes	6, 7	5	High life cycle cost. Depending on other water constituents, fouling of membrane possible.
Ion Exchange	6, 7	4	Moderate to High life cycle cost, selection of resin critical, brine disposal could present likely industrial discharger designation.
Electro dialysis Reversal	6, 7	5	High life cycle cost, energy and labor intensive. Disposal of concentrate can be an issue.
Advanced Oxidation (ozone/UV) with hydrogen peroxide)	6, 7	5	High life cycle cost, complex to operate. More appropriate to use when contaminants are present that are difficult to remove (e.g. NDMA)
New Well Source to replace Wells	6, 7	3	High capital cost to design, permit, drill, and install. Once installed no guarantee that contamination won't present itself.

While Section 3 will vet this further, based upon the available information, site constraints, well size, and production data, Well 6 is a candidate for adsorptive media and coagulant assisted filtration. Well 7 lists these treatment options as well, since those technologies are applicable to the removal of Arsenic. However, due to site constraints, there is insufficient room to locate well head treatment technologies at the well with the possible exception of adsorptive media employed to partially treat the well water to below the MCL. Well 7 will be examined further during alternatives analysis.



2.5.2 VOC REMOVAL

Wells 4 and 5 are historically impacted by VOCs. Well 4 is currently fitted with a GAC adsorption process unit. Well 5 is currently not fitted with any well head treatment system, but is a candidate based on its history. The following Table is a summary of treatment options for Wells 4 and 5:

Treatment Process	Applicable to Well	Ranked Cost to Install and Operate	Comments
Blending	4, 5	1	With present, low concentrations blending is a viable option at Well 5. Should Well not be brought back on line, it should be monitored to see if concentrations rise to the point where blending becomes ineffective.
Air Stripping	4, 5	2	Low to Moderate life cycle cost. Easy to operate, but additional mechanical and power costs associated with air source. Requires infrequent but regular cleaning of packed column media. Possible site noise and aesthetic issues.
GAC adsorptive media	4, 5	3	Moderate life cycle cost. Requires media changeout once exhausted. Aesthetic concerns at Well 5 site. Already in place at Well 4.

While all technologies listed above are applicable to Well 4, the well has the GAC technology already successfully installed at this well site and the Table just indicates possible future treatment options for comparison. All the above technologies are applicable to Well 5. The limiting factor at Well 5 is location and site constraints. Section 3 will explore this is greater detail. The initial assessment shows that the site is large enough to support the installation and operation of a well head treatment system of the types named above; but its location, street access to the site, site aesthetics, and possible noise are of concern.

2.5.3 IMPORT WATER

The City currently does not import treated domestic water nor does it have the necessary piping and infrastructure to do so. The City is partially in the Russian River watershed and could be listed as a possible recipient of water from SCWA. The importing of water may be an option available to the City. This option will be examined in greater detail for feasibility and programmatic costs during the alternatives analysis presented in Section 3.

2.6 NEW WELL SOURCE

The comparison of treatment versus installation and permitting a new well source as a replacement well will be identified in the following section to understand the overall costs.



3. ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS

3.1 INTRODUCTION

Information presented in this section is taken from Technical Memorandum 2 originally submitted to the city on October 19, 2012.

3.1.1 PURPOSE

The purpose of the Alternatives Analysis is to analyze the various options available at each of the well sites and identify and determine a preferred alternative with the most cost-effective treatment or operational scenario for meeting State and Federal drinking water standards. The preferred alternative will include elements that would result in a robust City water supply system that is operationally flexible with sufficient redundancy to provide long term solutions with the lowest overall life cycle cost.

3.1.2 DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATIVES

The various options and alternatives were developed and ranked based on meeting three criteria: operational flexibility, operational redundancy, and life cycle cost. In developing the various alternatives, the two individual zones (Zone 1 and Zone 2) were first analyzed independently from one another; then the entire system (Zone 1 and Zone 2 combined) was analyzed as a whole to develop the list of alternatives for consideration and final selection.

3.2 TREATMENT AND SUPPLY ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS

This section describes the alternatives for each zone when evaluating separately, first with Zone 1 then with Zone 2, as separate and independent systems. This section also includes analysis of alternatives with the two zones interacting as parts of a combined, single system. By examining the City's wells in this manner, various alternatives are evaluated in a systematic manner and a recommendation at each well site is made at the end of the analysis. Also included in this section, is a discussion regarding the possibility of importing water from the Sonoma County Water Agency. The final section will examine planning-level estimates of probable costs for installation and life cycle costs.

3.2.1 INDEPENDENT ZONE ANALYSIS

3.2.1.1 Zone 1 Analysis (Wells 4, 5 and 7)

The following Table on page 4 is a summary of all the options available to Zone 1. The discussion of each of these options follows the Table.

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	z	one 1 Options
Well Site	Option	Comments/Issues/Concerns
Well 4	No Improvements, GAC adsorption to remain	Well 4 has a GAC system installed to remove VOCs. GAC media may need changeout in the near future.
	Air stripping	Applicable treatment process, however equipment noise undesirable due to proximity to residential housing. Public acceptance a concern.
	GAC adsorption media	Applicable treatment process, site modification likely needed to minimize visual impact of process vessels and equipment. Visual impact concerns for public acceptance.
Well 5	Connection to Well 4 GAC Unit	Requires dedicated pipeline to Well 4 GAC site. Requires modification to controls system.
	Install dedicated Well 5 GAC system at Well 4 site	Permits independent operation of the wells. Wasting backwash/waste cycle from both units may cause sewer system surcharging. Not considered further.
	Maintain inactive status	No pumping allows nearby plume to remain outside well's area of influence. Any required remediation of plume by 3rd party may reduce the likelihood of treatment necessary by City.
	Additional Packer or Swage Lower pump intake and Reduce pump output	Semi-permanent/permanent solution for current arsenic concentration above MCL. If additional packer or swaging or pump reconfiguration are ineffective, arsenic concentrations likely to continue rising.
W/-II 7	Blending	Blending is only an option if additional water is available. Option would require bringing Well 5 on line and would require piping modifications or bringing water into Zone 1 from Zone 2.
Well 7	Replace with New Well	Addition of well possible but insufficient data to determine if similar issues would not present itself; other options are more cost effective. Technically feasible but may not be practical or publicly acceptable. Consider other more cost-effective options first.
	Partial Treat using GFH Adsorptive Media	Sufficient space at site to accommodate enough media cells to partially treat arsenic and re-blend to lower arsenic concentrations
Any Well	No Action	Zone 1 would effectively remain a one well zone lacking redundancy or reliability.

3.2.1.2 Well 4

As previously stated in Section 2, Well 4 is fitted with a GAC treatment system to address groundwater contamination from 1,2-DCA. Since its installation, levels of contamination have steadily and continually dropped below the MCL. Solvents are still potential contaminants of concern as well as TPH-G and BTEX are still a concern within nearby plumes but have not been detected in the groundwater at City Well 4. While the water is still processed through the GAC, the water quality sufficiently meets drinking water standards such that adsorption using GAC may no longer be necessary. However, with the recent and continued movement and rise in PCE contaminant levels from a nearby plume, the GAC system remains an excellent precautionary and effective method for the removal of PCE and other VOCs. It is recommended that the City



continue to closely monitor concentrations of contaminants prior to GAC treatment and compare to post-treatment. this will help the City determine when the adsorptive media has been exhausted and should be replaced. From discussions with the City, the media has never been replaced since the unit was first installed. After analyzing pre- and post-treatment water quality it could not be determined whether or not the GAC media needs changeout or that it may not be adsorbing effectively when the contaminant concentration levels are low. However, if data indicating breakthrough develops then changeout is recommended. Based on the age of the media it is not an unreasonable assumption that media replacement may be warranted in the next one to three years. City staff is monitoring the water quality and is ready to have the media replaced when needed.

3.2.1.3 Well 5

Well 5 has been out of service since 1996 due to PCE contamination. Furthermore, available data from the North Coast Water Quality Control Board (NCRWQCB) files indicates that there are several potential sources of contamination that could affect Well 5 if it were put into active status, specifically TPH-G, BTEX, MTBE and 1,2 DCA along with the current PCE contaminant that was the initial cause of well deactivation. The sources of contamination have been determined to be from an old dry cleaner that is no longer in operation and from a petroleum hydrocarbon plume from a nearby auto repair facility. From recent conversations with the NCRWQCB, recently acquired data indicates that a plume of contaminants is moving towards Wells 4 and 5. While Well 4 is adequately equipped to handle these contaminants via the GAC system should VOC contaminants enter its area of influence, Well 5 presently is not equipped and would require treatment.

The treatment options at Well 5 are limited due to physical site constraints and aesthetic concerns. The two most cost effective treatment options available to the City are GAC adsorption and air stripping. However, based on the site constraints and proximity to the public, air stripping is not feasible, particularly because of noise associated with the blowers required for treatment. Aesthetic concerns would also need to be addressed related to the visual impacts of air stripping.

GAC adsorption is a viable treatment option and does not have the noise impacts that air stripping does. However, it would still require site modifications to reduce visual impacts and is therefore recommended only if there are no other feasible options available. Possible approaches to address any site impacts are to either house the GAC system in a structure designed to blend with the surroundings or to place the GAC system pad below street level and erect a vegetative barrier such as a fence with plants to screen the system. A building designed to enclose the system would likely be the most expensive option due to the GAC unit's size and the need to maintain accessibility for maintenance. However, enclosing the GAC unit may have the greatest chance to be acceptable to the public. Conversely, a site design that reduces the visual impact without fully enclosing the system will be less costly but may prove challenging in obtaining public acceptance.

An alternative to adding GAC units for Well 5 is to utilize the existing GAC unit at Well 4. This alternative would require piping from the Well 5 site to the Well 4 site. A new pipeline between the two sites would be installed or existing abandoned water mains could be utilized with rehabilitation of a portion of the pipeline. This option would also require modifications to the well controls at both sites since only one well should be permitted to pump to the Well 4 GAC unit at a time.



An alternative to using the existing Well 4 GAC units for Well 5 treatment as described above is to install additional dedicated GAC units at the Well 4 site specifically for Well 5 water treatment. The additional units would permit independent operation of the wells. However, as discussed with Public Works staff, due to the configuration of the sewer system downstream of the existing Well 4 GAC site, installing a complete second GAC unit for Well 5 has the potential to cause surcharging of the sewer system should both GAC units be required to discharge waste at the same time. Any concern of surcharging can be avoided however, by simply requiring coordination of the backwash operation at the different well sites.

A final option that was evaluated for Well 5 is to keep the well in an inactive status for a few more years while the nearby contaminant plumes are remediated and cleaned. While contaminants in Well 5 water are below their MCL's, active and repeated pumping at Well 5 may draw in contaminants from the nearby plumes. The NCRWQCB has requested that the responsible parties for the nearby plumes take immediate action for cleanup of the plumes. In discussions with Jan Goebel of the NCRWQCB, if immediate additional remedial action is taken on the responsible party's part, the plume may be significantly reduced in the next 3-5 years and then there may not be any need to treat the groundwater at Well 5 and the cost could be avoided. Because the City has other treatment options and additional costs to consider at other well sites, it is recommended that the City delay pumping at Well 5 until the nearby plumes have been sufficiently abated.

3.2.1.4 Well 7

Water from Well 7 is currently impacted with arsenic. Arsenic (As) can be found in two forms in groundwater: As (III) or As (V), but the MCL is based on Total Arsenic, regardless of valance state. Both contribute to contaminant levels with arsenic (V) easier to treat with coagulation/coprecipitation/filtration technology. Recent analysis indicates that the valence of arsenic in the groundwater from Well 7 is trivalent, As(III), and is entering the well from the upper portion of the screened interval, the Upper Aquifer. At the time of writing this report, the arsenic annual average level at Well 7 exceeded the MCL and the use of Well 7 has been discontinued until the arsenic concentration is reduced to below the MCL. No treatment system currently exists at Well 7.

Immediate modifications options at Well 7 include, lowering the pump intake and reducing output from the well. Adding packers or swaging one or multiple zones in the upper screen could also be completed. Swaging represents a longer term, permanent solution compared to the packers and is the process of closing off one or multiple sections of well screen using two half-sections of pipe that are 'swaged' and held in place via an interference fit. The two half-pieces of pipe are in 5 foot lengths and are inserted into the well to the appropriate depth. The pieces are then joined to create a 'whole' piece of pipe. Similar in function to a packer, the sections are permanently installed to block screened intake sections of the well to isolate those zones of contaminated water without worrying about a packer failing. Theoretically, multiple screens in the zones of the arsenic contamination can be blocked off and, providing that there is no path of bypassing the swaged inlet screens, arsenic is isolated from the pump suction. However, if pumping hard in very permeable materials, i.e. coarse grained sand pack and alluvial deposits, the arsenic laden groundwater can be pulled around the swage or packer, outside of the casing, through the sand pack or the surrounding formation soil, and into the pump inlet below. It is possible that this is what is occurring in Well 7 since the formation soils around the casing are very permeable and the sand pack used in the well is pea gravel. It was noted that over 70% of the groundwater was being pulled from the upper screened intervals before the packer was installed, and no change in pumping flow rate occurred after the packer was installed. At the time of this



report writing, the City determined that the inflatable packer was not inflated properly and increased the nitrogen to further inflate it. The City hired BESST Inc. to complete a dye test to determine if the packer was effectively sealing off the upper aquifer. The field dye test was completed in November 2012 and indicated that the packer was effective in isolating the upper zone from the lower zone in the well casing once completely inflated but the arsenic was still above the MCL. The arsenic impacted groundwater is likely going around the packer, through the sand pack. A report prepared by BESST Inc. is included in Appendix D.

The pump intake is currently located just below the packer and may be located too close to the packer and too close to the screen intervals containing arsenic. By lowering the pump and decreasing the pump flow, there may be less of a pull on the water entering upper screens and less of a likelihood of pulling in the arsenic. This option, if implemented, will have a water production impact since over half of the water supplied by the well comes from the aquifer most affected by the arsenic. If the pump were lowered but pumping volume continues to not be reduced accordingly, the arsenic is likely being pulled down into the pump intake by the process mentioned in the preceding paragraph, negating the effects of the pump lowering.

Lowering of the pump intake and reducing pump output are quickly implementable, short-to-midterm solutions that may immediately address the recent exceedance of the MCL for arsenic. By lowering the pump intake to a level either deeper in the screened interval (>100 ft deeper) or to a depth below the screen interval, a decreased volume of water from the arsenic-contaminated aquifer would be pumped. With a higher volume of water from the uncontaminated lower zone with the decreased volume of arsenic impacted water would result in an overall reduction in the arsenic concentration for the total volume of water pumped.

Similarly, pumping less water by reducing pump output will theoretically have a similar effect. However, these two options alone may only present temporary solutions. Without the ability to fully isolate the upper aquifer zone and no other means to dilute the water from Well 7 (i.e. blending) lowering the intake and reducing pump output may only provide interim solutions. While current concentrations of arsenic are holding steady at $12 \mu g/L$, concentrations may change in the future and negate any improvements to water quality achieved with the implementable modifications. City staff has stated that the pump must be started at a high rotation speed to prevent bearing damage. To be able to start the pump at this high speed and then reduce the rotation would require a variable frequency drive (VFD). In order to restrict pump flow without a VFD, a restrictor plate would need to be fitted.

Blending is a more permanent option for Well 7. Blending at Well 7 can be accomplished by one of two variants. The first is blending using water from a second source (i.e. Zone 2), or second by treating a partial flow from Well 7 then blending with the remaining flow. For the first variant, since Well 4 is the only currently active well in Zone 1, Well 5 would need to be placed back into service to permit sufficient volume to blend with Well 7 water while still having ample water to meet customer water demands in the zone. It is also likely that modifications would need to be made to the distribution system to permit proper blending at the site. Therefore, blending without an alternate source (i.e. Zone 2, addressed further in this Section), is likely not viable.

The second variant for blending at Well 7 (by treating a portion of the flow) is viable and relatively easy to implement, but would require some modifications and improvements to the site to accommodate a treatment technology. Of the treatment technologies available, the most promising, due to space constraints and the valence of arsenic, is adsorptive media. Treating one-third to one-half of the total flow from Well 7, then blending the treated stream with the untreated stream prior to delivery into the distribution system will lower



the overall arsenic concentration of the Well 7 water. Confirmation with CDPH regarding their acceptance of this option should also be investigated, noting however that this methodology for lowering contaminant concentrations is generally accepted by CDPH personnel. All the other treatment technologies for arsenic removal, which are discussed in detail below in the section on Well 6, are not viable due to space constraints and cost.

3.2.1.5 Zone 1 - Addition/Deletion of Wells

For Zone 1, the addition and abandonment of wells is an option. Based on the current status of the wells in the zone, this option means the abandonment of Well 7 and replacement with a new well screened in the lower zone where arsenic is not present. Identifying a well site may prove challenging with many factors such as, well siting, permitting, land acquisition, and a sufficient parcel size to allow for well head treatment or additional/replacement wells if needed. Drilling a new well at the current site of Well 7 is likely not possible due to the size of the parcel and its proximity to underground utilities, specifically sewer as California Department of Public Health requires a minimum 50 foot setback of new wells from sewers.

Depending on the site(s) selected, public opposition to new wells may be encountered. Furthermore, there is no guarantee that after completion of the new well similar water quality issues to those that are presently cause for concern would not present itself. With other more feasible, less costly options available, this option is included for comparative purposes, but not likely to be the preferred alternative.

3.2.1.6 Zone 1 - No Action

For Zone 1, "no action" is not a viable option. With only one well reliably operating without contamination, the zone lacks redundancy and operational flexibility.

3.2.1.7 Zone 2 Analysis (Wells 6 and 8)

The following Table is a summary of all the options available to Zone 2. A discussion of each option is followed below:

	z	one 2 Options
Well Site	Treatment Option	Comments/Issues/Concerns
	Install GFH adsorptive media	Lead candidate for arsenic removal at Well 6. Low to moderate life cycle cost, minimal operator attention except for media replacement when required.
Well 6	Coagulant Assisted Coprecipitation and Filtration	Low to moderate life cycle cost, more staff requirements for operations related to coagulant storage and dosing. Unit backwashing potentially results in arsenic rich backwash hazardous waste.
	Add well to replace Well 6	Addition of well possible but over time similar issues may occur. Technically feasible but may not be practical or cost effective. Seen as a last resort.
	No Action	Not a viable option; without Well 6, there would only one well in Zone 2, thus negatively impacting reliability and redundancy.
Well 8	No treatment required	Booster station may be suitable to serve as a blending station if future water quality degrades.



3.2.1.8 Well 6

Well 6 is the City's most productive well with an operating flow rate of 750 gpm and a capacity of 1,500 gpm when running at full speed. It is also the most impacted with arsenic, specifically pentavalent arsenic As(V), with concentrations at approximately twice the MCL (~20 µg/L). Blending with Zone 1 water is the current treatment used at Well 6 to lower concentrations of arsenic of supplied water in Zone 2. Blending at Well 6, however, has steadily been less effective since the blending station was installed due to the rising concentration of arsenic in Well 6. Blending operations have recently been further impacted with Well 7's current status of arsenic above the MCL. Recovery of Well 7 by lowering arsenic levels would extend the ability to blend at Well 6. While blending is a viable option for treatment, it presents a risk to operational flexibility since it requires water from the neighboring Zone 1 to perform the blending operation and is therefore dependent on the operational status of other wells. Should wells be taken off line, whether due to scheduled or unscheduled interruptions, as well as variability in customer demand for water during those same times, can significantly affect the ability of Well 6 to produce water that is compliant with drinking water standards. Conversely, treatment at the well using technology that is not dependent upon additional water such as those discussed below, would be immune to the effects of the production status of other wells.

To address arsenic at Well 6, well treatment should be considered. From the discussion in Section 2, the well treatment options are:

- Adsorptive Granular Ferric Hydroxide (GFH) media
- Coagulation-sedimentation-filtration or coagulation-filtration
- Ion exchange
- Electro-dialysis Reversal (EDR)
- Coagulant assisted membrane process
- High pressure membrane processes (NF/RO)
- Advanced oxidation processes (AOP)

Of the treatment options, adsorptive media, specifically GFH, is the most promising as it effectively removes trivalent (As (III)) or pentavalent arsenic (As (V)). Similar to GAC used for VOC removal at Well 4, GFH removes arsenic by adsorption onto the media. The media is therefore consumed by the process and must be replaced once the media is exhausted. However, since the arsenic is captured on the surface of the media, backwashing and other unit maintenance operations do not result in an arsenic rich waste stream that must be disposed of. Since the unit is self-contained and can be fully automated, attention by maintenance staff is relatively minimal. The biggest maintenance requirement is the monitoring and implementation of media replacement.

Similarly, coprecipitation/filtration treatment would also be very effective for the removal of As (V) which has an industry removal rate of 60 to 90 percent. This treatment process also has a low to moderate life cycle cost with lower capital cost when compared to GFH, but a bigger footprint and a higher operational cost in the form of coagulant chemical delivery, storage, dosing, and maintenance. The maintenance and operation



of a coprecipitation/filtration treatment process requires more operator involvement as compared to a GFH treatment system due to the use of coagulant chemicals. Also, the filter unit for this type of treatment process does potentially create an arsenic laden backwash waste that must be disposed of as hazardous waste. The ability to discharge this waste stream to a municipal wastewater treatment facility is possible and common. However, to determine if that is possible at this site, the local treatment facility should be consulted.

Of the remaining treatment options – Ion Exchange, Electro-Dialysis Reversal, Coagulant Assisted Membrane process, High Pressure Membrane processes (Nano Filtration/Reverse Osmosis (NF/RO)) and Advance Oxidation process – have higher life-cycle costs than GFH or coprecipitation/filtration treatment and are more complex to operate as well. Therefore, the remaining treatment options listed above warrant mentioning as treatment options but are not seen as viable long term solutions due to their cost and complexity.

Treatment at Well 6 would result in a robust and redundant zone with two wells capable of providing water needs in the zone without the need for an additional water source from Zone 1. The installation of a treatment system at the Well 6 site results in the blending station becoming obsolete but can still be used for inter-zone transfers, which is recommended as discussed in more detail in the next section.

Finally if no action is taken at Well 6, the well will likely need to be inactivated and potentially abandoned. With Well 7 currently facing similar issues, taking no action at Well 6 is not a viable option.

3.2.1.9 Treatment Analysis at Well 8

As stated in Section 2, with no contaminants of concern currently known or identified in Well 8, water treatment is not presently required. Should arsenic become a constituent of concern, there is sufficient land at the site to support a treatment system and the well house does contain booster pumps that could be used as a blending station should future needs require it.

3.2.1.10 Zone 2 - Addition/Deletion of Wells

For Zone 2, this option is seen primarily in abandoning Well 6 and replacing it with a new well, screened deeper. However, the location of that well, the real estate to support it, as well as the potential for well head treatment, presents a challenge. The cost to install a new well including permitting, land acquisition, construction, and needed improvements/connections to the existing distribution system would likely exceed the cost of adding a treatment process to the existing well.

3.2.1.11 Zone 2 - No Action

Taking no action for Zone 2 results in one well (Well 6) being unable to supply water compliant with Federal and State water quality standards. This would leave Well 8 as the sole Zone 2 supply source; therefore, some action, whether treatment at Well 6 or the addition of a new well, is recommended.

3.2.2 SYSTEM-WIDE ANALYSIS

In the previous section, the two zones were analyzed independent of one another. However, the City's system is comprised of two zones that can be cross-connected to provide water from one zone to the other, if situations warrant. In fact, that is currently being accomplished at Well 6 for blending and at the booster station at Well 8. By analyzing the system together as a whole, it allows for treatment systems or other



improvements to one zone to benefit the other zone. By analyzing the system as a whole, the overall life cycle cost can be reduced and an implementation plan can be developed.

3.2.2.1 Zone 1

Zone 1 (Z1) is comprised of Wells 4, 5, and 7. Of the three wells, only Well 4 is both active and producing water that meets Federal and State drinking water standards. Well 5 is inactive, but could be placed into active status. Doing so however will require some form of treatment at Well 5 due to PCE contamination. Well 7 has recently exceeded the MCL for arsenic and must therefore be addressed by modifications and/or adding treatment to Well 7. Finally, there is insufficient Zone 1 water that could be used for treatment blending in Zone 1 unless Zone 2 water is available. With Well 6 water above the MCL for arsenic, Zone 2 water is not available for blending.

To provide system robustness and redundancy, it is recommended that either (i) at least two wells be fully operational and compliant in Zone 1 with the capability and flexibility to transfer water back and forth between Zone 1 and Zone 2 or (ii) have all three wells operational and compliant within Zone 1 with the ability to do one-way zone transfers from Zone 1 to Zone 2. It should be noted that the ability to transfer water from Zone 1 to Zone 2 is already possible at the blending and boosting stations.

Based on the analyses conducted, the following alternatives are considered:

Alternative Z1A:

- 1. Well 4 GAC media replacement;
- 2. Well 5 GAC system installation at Well 5 site;
- 3. Well 7 modifications including: double packering, swaging, lowering of pump, reducing pump output.

Alternative Z1B

- 1. Well 4 GAC media replacement;
- 2. Well 5 GAC system installation at Well 5 site;
- 3. Deactivation of Well 7;
- 4. Improvement/treatment to be determined to a Zone 2 well to permit two-way transfer. (See Option Z2B below)

Alternative Option Z1C

- 1. Well 4 GAC media replacement;
- 2. Well 5 GAC system installation at Well 5 site;
- 3. Deactivate and/or abandon Well 7;
- 4. Installation of new well to replace Well 7.

Alternative Option Z1D

- 1. Well 4 GAC media replacement;
- 2. Improvement/Treatment to be determined to Zone 2 water source to permit two-way transfer; (See Option Z2D Below)
- 3. Well 7 modifications including: double packering, swaging, lowering of pump, and/or reducing pump output;
- 4. Well 7 blending with treated Zone 2 water.



3.2.2.2 Zone 2

Zone 2 (Z2) is comprised of Wells 6 and 8. Both wells are active and producing water with arsenic above the MCL present in Well 6. Well 6 water is compliant because water from Zone 1 is added in order to lower the arsenic concentration below the MCL. This blending operation, while currently sufficient, is now complicated by the current level of arsenic in Zone 1's Well 7 water which is above the MCL.

For Zone 2, to provide system robustness and redundancy, it is recommended that either a minimum of two wells be operational and compliant in Zone 2 with the capability and flexibility to transfer water back and forth between Zone 2 and Zone 1 or one well be operational and compliant in Zone 2 provided that all three wells in Zone 1 are operational (options Z1A and Z1C) and inter-zone transfer capability to do one-way zone transfers from Zone 1 to Zone 2 remains available. Based on the analyses conducted, the following alternatives are considered:

Alternative Z2A:

- 1. Deactivate Well 6; and
- 2. Includes all improvements in Alternative Z1A.

Alternative Z2B:

- 1. Well 6 GFH system installation; and
- 2. Includes all improvements in Alternative Z1B which allows the option to send Well 5 water to Well 4 GAC site for treatment via dedicated pipeline.

Alternative Z2C:

- 1. Deactivate Well 6; and
- 2. Includes all improvements in Option Z1C.

Alternative Z2D-1:

- 1. Well 6 GFH system installation; and
- 2. Includes all improvements in Option Z1D

Alternative Z2D-2:

- 1. Well 6 Iron Co precipitation system installation;
- 2. Well 7 GFH partial treat; and
- 3. Includes all improvements in Option Z1D

3.2.2.3 Import of SCWA Water

Another other option for consideration is the possibility of importing Sonoma County Water Agency (SCWA) water. Depending on the available/necessary import volumes, intended use of the water (normal or emergency), seasonality of the imports, and the infrastructure needed to make the transfers possible, the ability to receive SCWA water would increase the robustness of the City's system and may allow for several of the alternatives identified above be modified in that such that the SCWA connection could be viewed and counted as replacement for one well, multiple wells, or the entire system.



A meeting was conducted on September 5, 2012, with representatives from SCWA, GHD and the City. SCWA indicated that although the City is included in SCWA's Restructured Agreement from 2006 as one of the "other users" for water supply, the aggregate allocation of 2.7 million gallons per day (mgd) to all other agencies is 100 percent allocated. This contractual constraint along with the high cost of constructing a connection over a mile long and crossing the Laguna de Santa Rosa leads to this option being infeasible at this time for the City. A letter summarizing the discussion is presented in Appendix A.

3.3 ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS

To determine the best alternative or combination of alternatives, the feasibility analysis also factors the life cycle cost

To facilitate this analysis, the following assumptions are made:

- 1. New improvement/equipment assumed to have a 30 year life cycle;
- 2. Interest rate assumed to be 4% annually
- 3. GAC Media assumed to require replacement every 10 years, noting that actual replacement is a function of contaminants adsorbed;
- 4. GFH Media is assumed to be as short as 1 year and as long as 3 years;
- 5. Install Cost and Life Cycle Costs are reported in Net Present Value Dollars (Net Present Value includes the initial capital purchase plus consumables plus capital expenditures for maintenance and upkeep (i.e. Media changeout) over an assumed 30 year operational life. Energy is also not included in calculation because the difference in energy consumed between alternatives is expected to be negligible.)
- 6. All equipment related to alternatives is assumed new unless noted otherwise;
- 7. Costs listed below are estimates of probable estimated costs, as the Associateion for Advancement of cost Engineering, International (AACE) defines a Class 4 estimate, and do not necessarily represent the actual cost associated with a particular option or project due to market conditions and other variables present.
- 8. Manpower costs for operation is not estimated. Normal day to-day-operation labor is not expected to increase significantly over current levels, although the cost of a Grade III Operator would also need to be considered depending upon which treatment technologies are ultimately selected.²

The Table below is a summary of the install and life cycle costs for the eight alternatives identified in the section above. Also included for comparative purposes is Alternative Z2D with coprecipitation/filtration arsenic removal technology employed at Well 6 instead of GFH. Life cycle calculations are included in Appendix B and reconnaissance level estimates of probable costs are included in Appendix C.

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² Additional staffing costs could be incurred with options where there is a Treatment Operator grade level that currently is not staffed.



Alternative	Alternative Summary	Installation Cost	Life Cycle Cost*	Comments
Zone 1		ı		
Z1A	Well 4 Media changeout; Well 5 GAC system install; Well 7 Modifications	\$1,887,000	\$2,548,000	Assumes Well 7 modifications successful
Z1B	Well 4 Media changeout Well 5 GAC system install; Well 7 Deactivation; Zone 2 Well Improvement / Treatment			See Option Z2B below
Z1C	Well 4 Media Changeout Well 5 GAC system install Well 7 Deactivation / Abandonment; New Well to Replace Well 7	\$3,482,000	\$4,143,000	Assumes well is not impacted by contaminants over the lifetime of the well
Z1D	Well 7 Modifications Well 7 Blending with Zone 2 Water Zone 2 Well Improvement / Treatment; Well 4 Media Changeout			See Option Z2D below
Zone 2				
Z2A	Well 5 GAC System Install; Well 6 Deactivation; Well 7 Modifications; Well 4 Media Changeout.	\$1,887,000	\$2,548,000	Effectively the same option as Z1A. Assumes Well 7 modifications successful
Z2B	Well 6 GFH System Installation; Well 5 GAC System Install or Well 5 Pipeline to Well 4 GAC; Well 7 Deactivation; Well 4 Media Changeout	\$3,112,500	\$7,525,000**- \$17,643,000	Annual replacement of media if required makes GFH an unacceptable option
Z2C	Well 6 Deactivation; Well 5 GAC system install; Well 7 Deactivation / Abandonment; New Well to Replace Well 6; Well 4 Media Changeout	\$3,482,500	\$4,143,000	Assumes well is not impacted by contaminants over the lifetime of the well
Z2D-1	Well 6 GFH System Installation; Well 7 Modifications; Well 7 Blending with Zone 2 Water; Well 4 Media Changeout	\$3,207,500	\$7,610,000**- \$17,738,000	Annual replacement of media if required makes GFH an unacceptable option. Blending only needed if modifications are unsuccessful at Well 7



Alternative	Alternative Summary	Installation Cost	Life Cycle Cost*	Comments
Z2D-2	Well 6 Iron Coprecipitation System Installation; Well 7 GFH Partial Treat Well 7 Modifications; Well 4 Media Changeout	\$2,325,500	\$9,461,000	Life cycle cost assumes all improvements made and GFH media replaced biannually

Notes:

Energy is not included in calculation because the difference in energy consumed between alternatives is negligible.

** = Triennial GFH replacement compared to annual replacement

GFH = Granulated Ferric Hydroxide

GAC = Granulated Activated Carbon

3.4 ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on analysis of the estimated costs in the preceding Table, the following general observations are noted:

- 1. Alternative Z2A has both the lowest install costs and life cycle costs. It also however depends greatly on successfully reducing arsenic in well 7 with modifications to the well. If the modifications are not successful the result is only 3 reliable wells within the City's system.
- 2. Alternative Z2A also includes installation of GAC at Well 5. From a contamination abatement standpoint it is preferable to delay pumping whilst third parties responsible for the cleanup are required to provide abatement services thereby delaying, minimizing, and possibly eliminating the City's need to provide wellhead treatment at Well 5.
- 3. Alternative Z2C has a highest install costs but the second lowest life cycle cost after Alternative Z2A. Of concern however is that this alternative is dependent upon a new well and that well to remain contamination free for its lifetime. In light of the current status of all the wells, GHD does not feel that this is assumption is appropriate.
- 4. Alternatives Z2B and Z2D-1 both include GFH treatment at Well 6, have moderate installation costs, but have the potential for significant life cycle costs. This is due entirely on the media and its life expectancy. If life expectancy is assumed to be as brief as 1 year, annual media replacement costs are prohibitive. GFH is only an acceptable treatment alternative should the media life can be determined to be between 2 and 3 years. Pilot testing of the technology would be appropriate and recommended to determine the media replacement interval.
- 5. Of the two alternatives that identify treatment at the Well 6 site (Z2B and Z2D), option Z2D is preferable, particularly if modifications at Well 7 are successful, as this reduces or eliminates the need to blend water at Well 7.

^{* =} Net Present Worth of initial capital purchase plus consumables plus capital expenditures for maintenance and upkeep (i.e. Media changeout) over an assumed 30 year operational life. This includes an AACE Class 4 Estimate. It does not include normal day to-day-operation labor since alternatives are not expected to increase operational labor significantly over current levels. The possible exception is alternative Z2D-2 which may require additional staffing costs which cannot be determined at present



- 6. For Alternative Z2D-1, a viable alternative to GFH is iron coprecipitation/filtration treatment technology (Alternative Z2D-2). It represents a modest installation cost and life cycle cost and is cheaper than GFH. One element of the process that must be examined further is whether or not the backwash can be discharged to the local municipal wastewater treatment facility.
- All alternatives except for Z2D and Z1C result in a total of 4 operational wells. Of those two options Z2D has a lower install cost and addresses arsenic contamination at Well 6 well site. Z1C in turn still relies on blending at Well 6.

3.5 ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS CONCLUSION

Based on the analysis above, GHD recommends Alternative Z2D-1 employing iron coprecipitation for the removal of pentavalent arsenic at Well 6. First to be addressed however is the modifications at Well 7. Should the improvements at Well 7 be successful, the urgency of treatment at the Well 6, while still present, would be reduced. Furthermore, of all the alternatives examined it is only one of two that still maintains the availability of all 5 City wells while simultaneously addresses treatment of arsenic in Well 6 at the well site. While iron-coprecipitation is not the lowest overall cost option in terms of installation cost and life cycle cost, it is a lower cost option as compared to many of the other alternatives and maintains a higher level of redundancy and operational flexibility as compared to the other alternatives.

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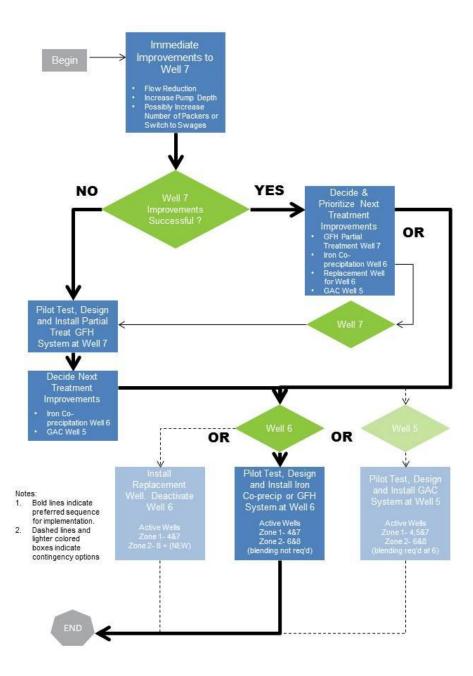
4. IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

With well site assessments, treatment options, and alternatives analysis complete, and with communication and in cooperation with City of Sebastopol Public Works Department, the following plan for implementation is recommended from Alternative Z2D:

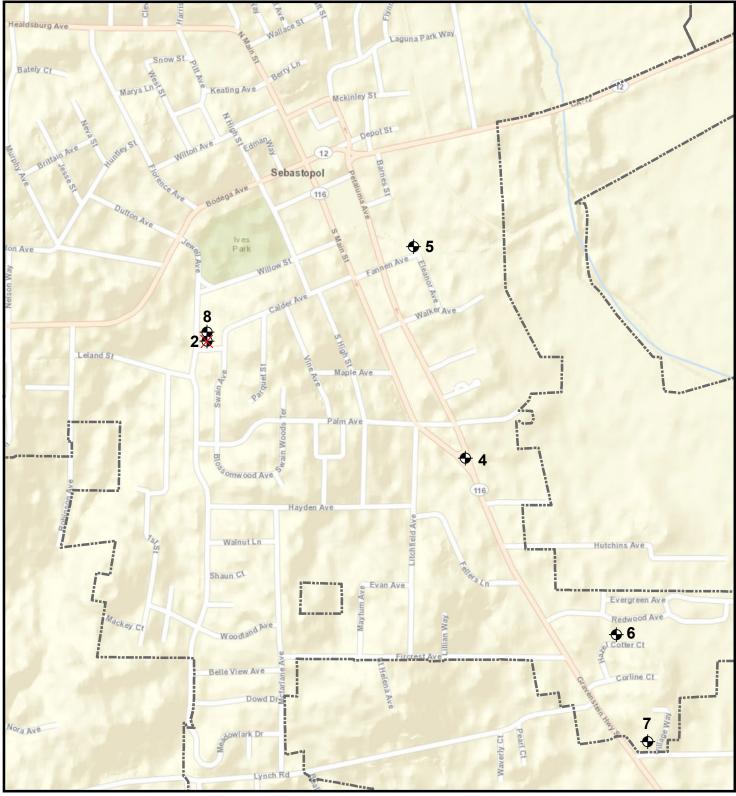
- 1. Implement modifications to Well 7. These include pump flow reduction and lowering of the well pump. It may be appropriate to install double packers in the well or switch the packers to swages, and swage multiple zones in the upper aquifer zone, but depending on the success of the lowering of the pump, it may be best to begin partial treatment of the well groundwater.
- 2. Following well 7 modifications, improvements to Well 6 are recommended as proposed in Alternative Z2D. Since Well 6 represents both the largest producing well in the City's system as well as the well with the highest concentration of arsenic, the treatment system is recommended to treat the entire production volume of well water. Since space constraints are not a significant factor to the type of treatment system installed, an iron co-precipitation system is the treatment system expected to be the best option when considering both capital and life cycle cost. However, GFH is suitable but the frequency of the media change out should be determined first which will affect the costs. To determine that expected frequency, complete testing of the water accompanied by pilot-studies is required and in fact is recommended regardless of the selected technology.
- 3. If modifications at Well 7 do not result in lowering of the arsenic concentrations to below the MCL, it is recommended that the design and installation of a partial treatment system for Well 7 using GFH or similar adsorptive media be implemented with Well 7 in a non-production status until the treatment system is online. The partial treatment system would be a relatively quick and inexpensive means to remove a sufficient quantity of arsenic from Well 7 to below the MCL. This lower concentration in Zone 1 water has the additional benefit of increasing production at Well 6 since Zone 1 water is used at the Well 6 blending station. Furthermore, the system at Well 7 would be designed so that it is expandable in the future should arsenic concentrations over the operational lifetime of the well continue to rise.
- 4. Barring the ability to installing treatment at Well 6, two other options are possible as a contingency to meet the intent of the preferred alternative. They are the installation of GAC at Well 5 or installation of a new well which effectively replaces Well 6, even though Well 6 could still be operated if blending of Well 6 water with Zone 1 water continues. Both of these options are taken from other alternatives proposed during the alternatives analysis but they effectively result in the desired final supply and distribution system configuration. They also have their own challenges to implement. For example GAC installation likely has site constraints as well as visual impacts that would need to be addressed. The new well option has challenges stemming from finding suitable locations to install the well. They should however remain as part of the conversation as standby alternatives. The implementation plan is presented as a flow chart below:

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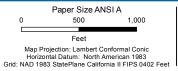


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Municipal Well

Destroyed Municipal Well

City Limits







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Well Location Map

Figure 1



Well	Sample					Metals						Vo	olatile Or	ganic Co	mpoun	nds (VOCs)			
ID	Sample Date	Notes		Arse	nic		Iron	Aluminum	Manganese	PC	E	TCE	vc	MTBE	ТВА	Benzene	1,2-DCA	Toluene	ТРН
					μg/L		ı							μg	/L		•		
M	ICLs/SMCLs			10			300	1000/200	50	5		5	0.5	13/5	12	1	0.5	150	varies
			Raw							Raw	Treated								
Well 4	Apr-12									< 0.5	< 0.5	< 0.5	< 0.5	<3	<2	< 0.5	< 0.5		
	Mar-12									0.36-0.49	0.08-0.29								
	Jun-11							<50	<20	0.24-0.34									
	Dec-10		3.6							0.018-0.28									
	2009									0.13-0.21	< 0.5	< 0.5	< 0.5	<3	<2	< 0.5	< 0.5		
GAC Treatment System Installed in 2006																			
	2008									0.03-0.11	< 0.5	< 0.5	< 0.5	<3	<2	< 0.5	< 0.5		
	Dec-07/Jan-08		3.2							0.03	< 0.5	< 0.5	< 0.5	<3	<2	< 0.5	< 0.5		
	Aug-07		3.1					5.3	1.3	0.02	0.03								
		Surface	3.9							<1		<1	<1	<1	<1.2				
Spinner Test,		237/ 260'	3.4/7.5																
Depth Discrete Sampling	Jan-07	312/ 358'	7.9/5.1																
		404/ 450'	2.2/<2.0																
	Apr-06									< 0.5		< 0.5	< 0.5	<3	<2	< 0.5	< 0.25		
	Oct-05									< 0.5		< 0.5	< 0.5	<3	<2	< 0.5	< 0.25		
	May-05									< 0.5		< 0.5	< 0.5	<3	<2	< 0.5	< 0.25		
	2005							120	<20					ND			< 0.25		
	2004													ND			< 0.25		
	2003													ND			<0.25 -0.62		
	2002		3.2					<50	30					ND			<0.25-0.38		
	2001													ND			<0.25-0.48		
	2000													ND			<0.25 -0.72		
	1998													ND		ND	0.18-0.81		
	1997															ND	0.083-0.72		
	1996													<1		ND-0.44	ND-1.3		



							Metals							Vo	olatile O	rganic Co	ompoun	ds (VOCs)			
Well ID	Sample Date	Notes			Arse	nic			Iron	Aluminum	Manganese	PC	E	TCE	vc	МТВЕ	ТВА	Benzene	1,2-DCA	Toluene	ТРН
						μg/L				I.	ı					μg	/L		ı	1	-
M	ICLs/SMCLs				10				300	1000/200	50	5		5	0.5	13/5	12	1	0.5	150	varies
Well 5												Lo-Hi	Average								
	Jul-12									<50	<20			<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<5.0	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	
Inactive	Aug-09		2.2							<50	<20	0.52	<0.5								ND
	Nov-06										- 10	1.1	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5				<0.5
	Oct-04		4.8								16	2.67	0.4	40 F	40 F	40 F	40 F				40.5
	Jan-04 1993									-		1.5 4.8	<0.5 4.80	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5				<0.5
	1992											5.9	5.90								1
	1991											4.5-7.1	6.75								\vdash
	1990											4.6-8.6	6.60								
	1989											<0.5-10	4.63	0.6-0.8							
	1988											<0.5-6.3	3.98								
	1987											1.2-13	4.51								
	1986											3.4-25	11.73								
						•															
			Total Arsenic (Raw)	Arsenic III (Raw)	Arsenic V (Raw)	Arsenic (Blended)	Arsenic Zone 1 Inlet	Arsenic (Blend Special)													
Well 6	Jul-12		19.6	0.54	19.1			·													
1100	Jul-12		24			8.7	5.8	11													\vdash
	Jun-12		23			8.9	0.0	• • •													1
	Jun-12		21			7.6															1
Blending Zone 1 water in reservoir with Well 6	May-12		19							<50	<20	<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5				<0.5
	Feb-09		17																		
	Mar-09										140	0		0	0	0					
	Dec-08		19																		
	Nov-08		12																		
	Jul-08									410											
	Dec-07/Jan-08		13							<50	<20	0		0	0	0		0	0		
		well head	16																		
Chinney Tool		180'	14																		
Spinner Test, Depth Discrete Sampling	Dec. 2004	248/ 275'	12/7.5																		
		300/ 380'	7.1/6.9																		
		450/ 500'	4.4/4.9																		



						Metals						Vo	olatile O	rganic C	ompoun	ds (VOCs)			
Well ID	Sample Date	Notes		Arse	nic		Iron	Aluminum	Manganese	PC	E	TCE	vc	МТВЕ	ТВА	Benzene	1,2-DCA	Toluene	ТРН
					μg/L	_	1		ı			1		μg	/L		1	1	
MC	CLs/SMCLs			10			300	1000/200	50	5		5	0.5	13/5	12	1	0.5	150	varies
Well 7	Sep-12		13																
	Mar-12		10																
	Nov-11		12																
	Jun-11							<5.0	<20.0	<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5				<0.5
	Jun-09		3.0																
	Mar-09		8.2																
	Dec-08		4.3																
	Nov-08		12 /6.8																
	Sep-08		49/ 5.7					<50	37					<3					
	Jul-08		14																
2008, started quarterly sampling of Arsenic and switched lab and method from 502.2 to 200.9	Jun-08		13 /7.1																
	Jan-08		26					<50	33.00										
		Well head	14							<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<2				<0.5
Spinner Test,		321/ 350'	29/13																
Depth Discrete Sampling	Nov-06	395/ 453'	<2.0/<2.0																
		506'	<2.0																1
		625'	<2.0																
	Jan-06		14																
	Jul-05		20					<50	33										
Ī	Jun-05		25																
	Mar-05		9.3																
	Sep-04		4.8																
	Jul-04									<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<2				<0.5
	Jun-04		7.1							<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<2				<0.5
	Dec-03		6.4																
	Sep-03		7.3							<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<2				<0.5
	Jul-03		2.4							<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<2				<0.5
	Mar-03		4.0																
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]	Jun-01		2.0				ļ	<50	<30				ļ	1	ļ		1	ļ	
	Apr-99									<0.5		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<2				<0.5



Well	Samula					Metals							Vo	olatile Or	rganic Co	ompour	ds (VOCs)			
ID	Sample Date	Notes		Arsenic μg/L					Aluminum	Manganese	PC	E	TCE	vc	MTBE	ТВА	Benzene	1,2-DCA	Toluene	ТРН
					μg/L		1								μg	/L	ı	U	U	,
M	CLs/SMCLs				10			300	1000/200	1000/200 50 5 5			0.5	13/5	12	1	0.5	150	varies	
			Raw		Post Sand Separator	Soluble														
Well 8	Jul-12							<100									<0.5		<0.5	
	Feb-11		<2					<100	<50	<20					0				0	
Well #8 Installed in	Apr-08																		< 0.5	
2007 in same location as Well 2	Feb-08		3					410	<50	24	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<3	<2	<0.5	<0.5	0.93	
	2007																			
Former Well	Oct-04		22										1							
2	Sep-04		15																	
(destroyed)	Feb-04		4.5		6.8	4														
	Dec-03		3.5																	
	Sep-03		7.4																	
	Jun-03		3.9																	
	Mar-03		13																	
	Dec-02		14																	
	Sep-02		18																	
	Mar-99		13																	

Abbreviations:

MCL = Maximum contaminant level

SMCL = Secondary maximum contaminant level

PCE = Tetrachloroethene

TCE = Trichloroethene

VC = Vinyl chloride

MTBE = Methyl tert-butyl ether

TBA = Tert-butyl alcohol

1,2-DCA = 1,2-Dichloroethane

TPH = total petroleum hydrocarbons

μg/L = micrograms per liter

<x = denotes analyte not detected at, or above the detection limit of x.

Notes:

This table is a summary of pertinent data indicating specific historic contaminants of concern. Data was obtained from various laboratory reports and data provided by the City of Sebastopol Public Works Department.



Table 2 - City of Sebastopol Water Supply Well Construction Data

Well ID	Location	Top of Casing Elevation NGVD 29 NAVD 88 Conv	Depth of Well	Diameter Well	Screen Interval, Type and Size	Sand Pack Size and Interval	Cement Seal Interval	Pump Size	Pump Depth (intake depth)	Operating/ Pump Capacity
		MSL	feet	inches		feet			. ,	
Well 4	710 Petaluma Ave	98.57	530	14	237-468		0-135	100 HP	250	950/1000
1953 Installed	at Palm Ave	101.35								
Well 5	6860 Fannen Ave	83.3	528	14	138-528		0-120	60 HP	250	900
1960 Installed	1	86.08								
Well 6	991 Gravenstein Hwy South next to	103.71	572	14	172-552	Pea	0-140	125 HP	250	750
1968 Installed	Mobile Home Park	106.49				0-572				
Well 7	1157 Cooper Road	123.56	710	14/26	270-300	12x20	0-200	100 HP	320	750/900
	Cooper Road and Village Way	126.34			320-380	200-710				
1996 Installed					400-560					
					630-670					
Well 8	351 Jewell Ave	107.91	580	16	320-560	2/12	0-200	125 HP	320	500/1150
2007 Installed and replaced Well #2 but screened deeper to avoid As.		110.69				330-580				

Abbreviations:

MSL = Mean Sea Level

HP = Horsepower

As = Arsenic

Note: Data collected from the 2012 Annual Inspection Report from the California Department of Public Health, and other city provided information



Table 3 - City of Sebastopol Water Supply Well Yield, Water Quality Issues and Treatment

Well ID	Pump Size and Type	Design or Historic Yield (gpm @ TDH)	Current Yield	Average Weekly Production (K gal)	Transducer Installation Date	Water Quality or CDPH Permit Issues	Primary Contaminants	Other Potential Contaminants	Regulatory Restrictions on use	Current Treatment	Observations/ Notes	Treatment Options
Well 4	60 HP VT	900	890 @ 338	2,612	2005	Contaminants above MCL	1,2-DCA	PCE, MTBE, As	NONE	Sand separation, GAC, Hypo-chlorination	1,2-DCA and MTBE are historical contaminants. PCE is current and rising in concentration but below the MCL. Also present is As but at only 3.6 μg/L - below the MCL.	GAC
Well 5	60 HP VT	900	~750	NO DATA	2007	Contaminants above MCL	PCE	TPH-G, BTEX, MTBE	NONE	NONE	Inactive due to past contamination. City would like to restart, but must fully understand any nearby contamination.	GAC
Well 6	250 HP Submersible VT	1200	~1,500	NO DATA	2006	Contaminants above MCL and SMCL	As	None	NONE	Sand Separation, Blending, Hypo-chlorination	Best well production-wise but also has the highest concentration of As of the two wells affected. Large enough site to support on-site well head treatment. Current blending is bringing concentration down from 17-21 to 11 µg/L, it is still above the MCL of 10.	GFH, Greensand
Well -7	100 HP Submersible VT	700	~800	2,463	2007, down, needs replacement	Contaminants above MCL	As	As in screened zones <350	NONE	Hypo-chlorination	No real estate at well site to support well head treatment. At 10 µg/L may be best to attempt blending or changing pump intake depth to deeper location. No VFD, discharge to waste.	GFH, Greensand
Well 8	125 HP Submersible VT	750 @538	604 @ 494	1,453	NONE (burnt out due to stray current)	NONE	NONE	Historic As in screened zones <350, current well is screened >350'	NONE	Hypo-chlorination	Stray current present only when well is running. Stray current in damage to the ultrasonic level sensor in the well. Well is therefore currently required to be run manually. Arsenic was detected in the old well 2 in the shallow zones, and since construction of the new well No 8 in the deeper zones, the As is below the MCL.	None at this time

Abbreviations:

gpm = gallons per minute

TDH = Total dynamic head K gal = thousands of gallons

CDPH = County Department of Public Health

HP = Horsepower

VT = Vertical Turbine

MCL = Maximum contaminant level

SMCL = Secondary maximum contaminant level

1,2-DCA = 1,2-Dichloroethane

PCE = Tetrachloroethene

MTBE = Methyl tert-butyl ether

As = Arsenic

GAC = Granulated activated carbon

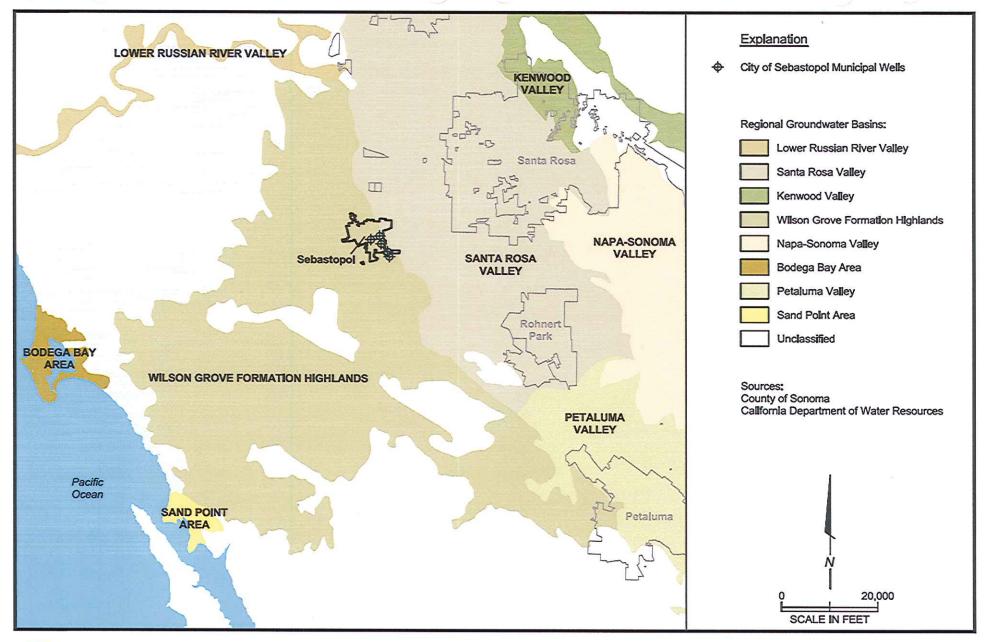
μg/L = micrograms per liter

TPH-G = Total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline

BTEX = Benzene, Toluene, Ethyl benzene, and Xylenes



Appendix A
Various Figures from the
PES Water Supply Assessment
Northeast Area Specific Plan,
June 27, 2007





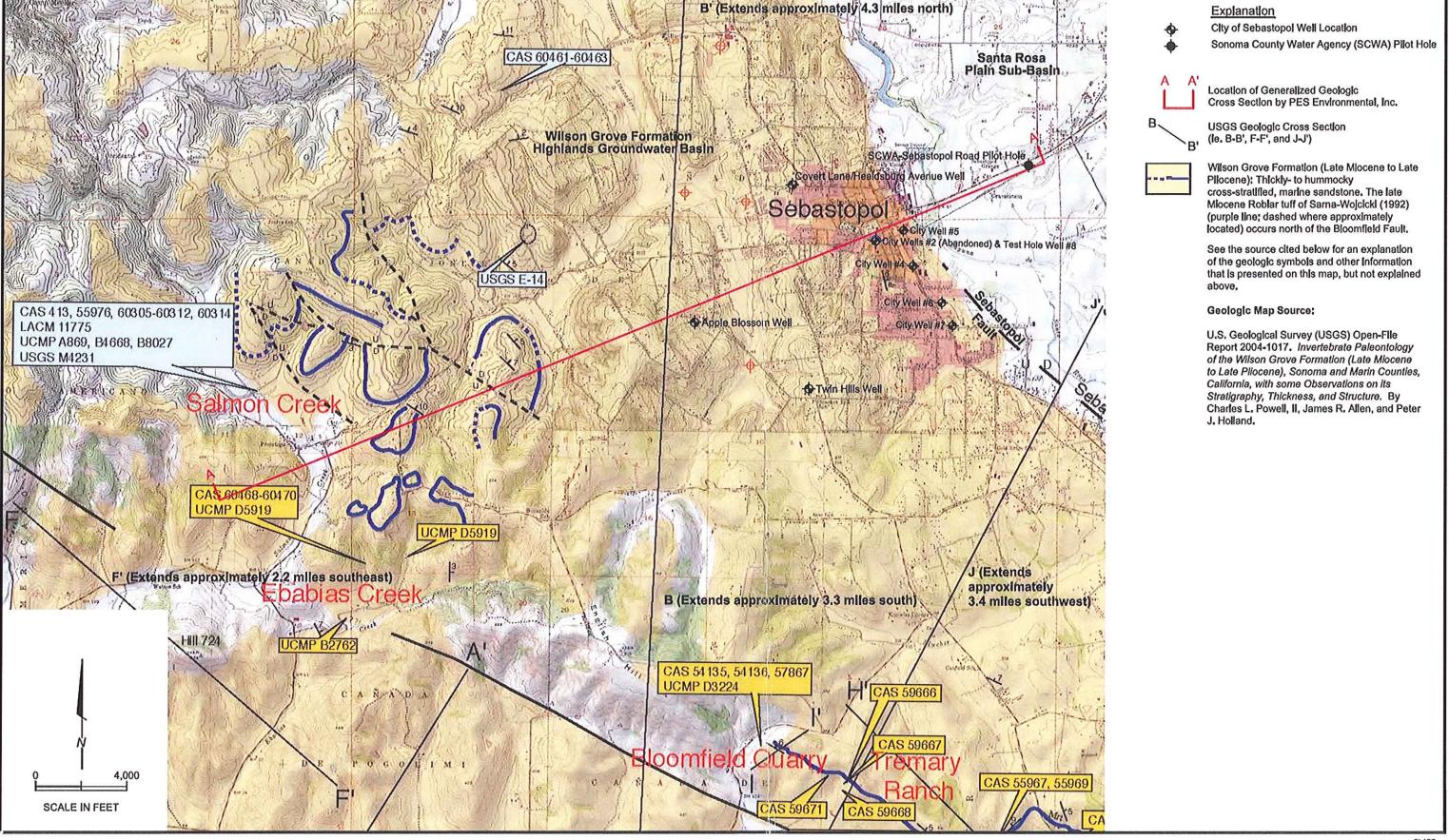
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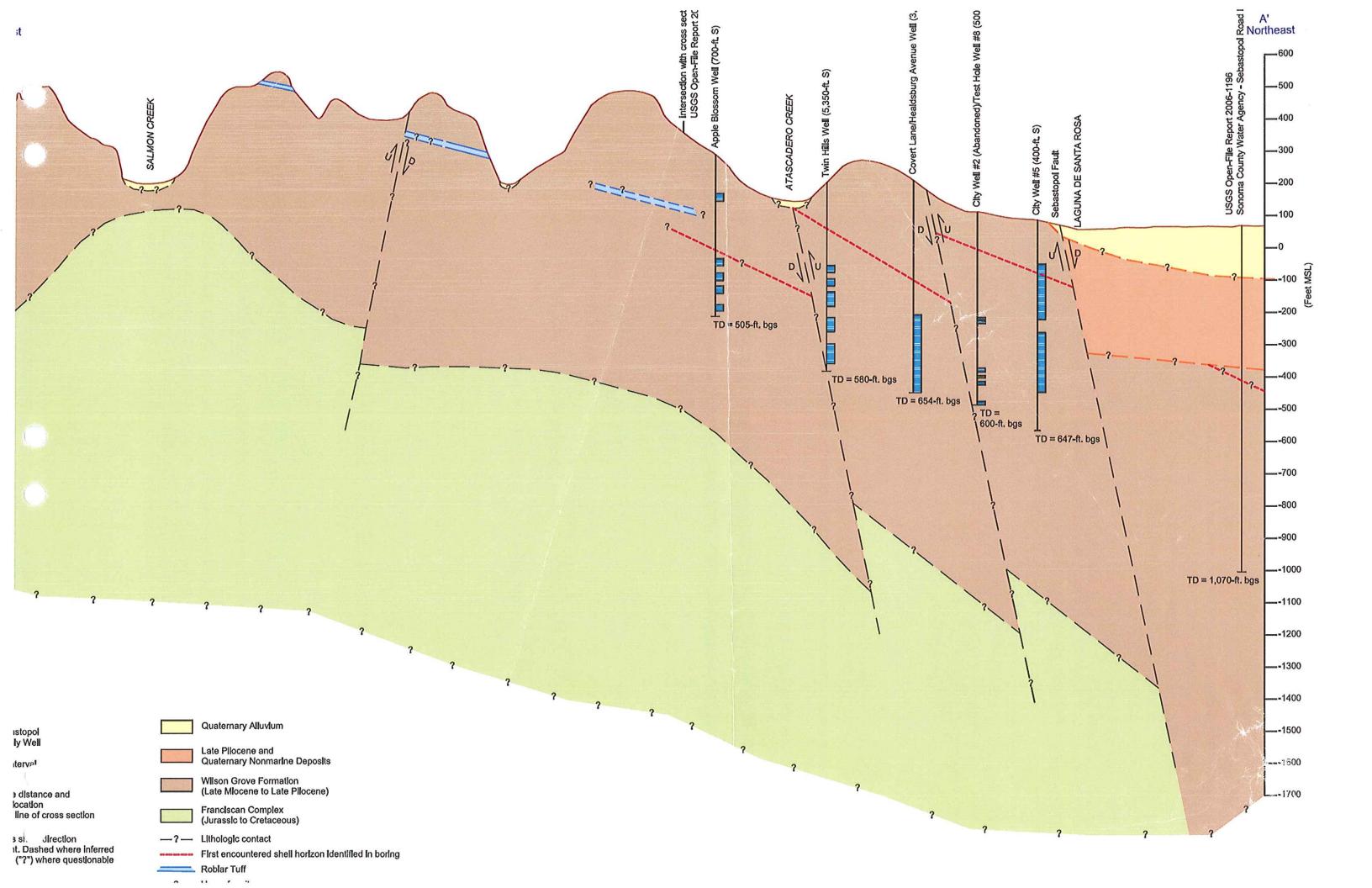
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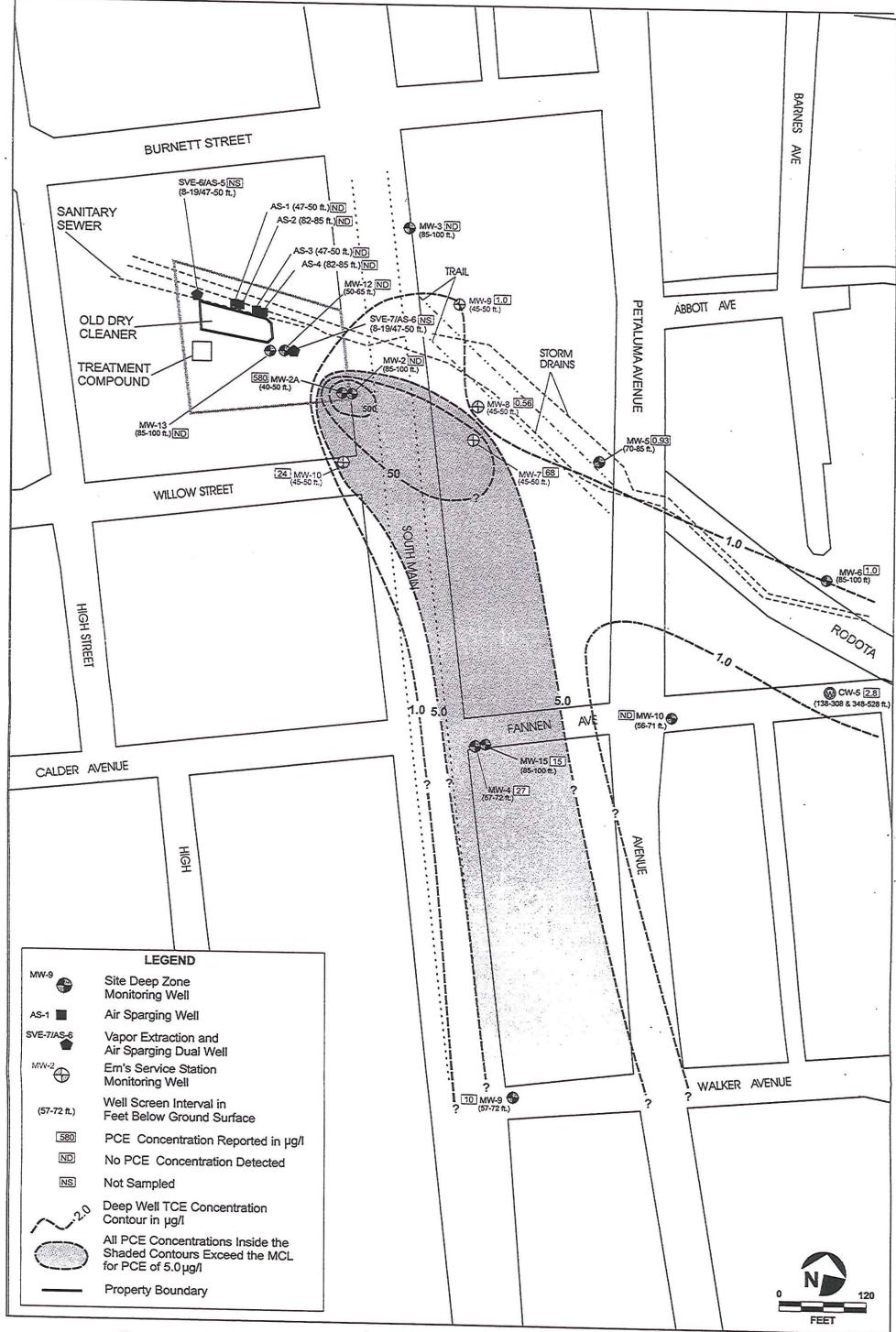
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Geologic Map Showing Cross Section Line Northeast Area Water Supply Assessment Sebastopol, California



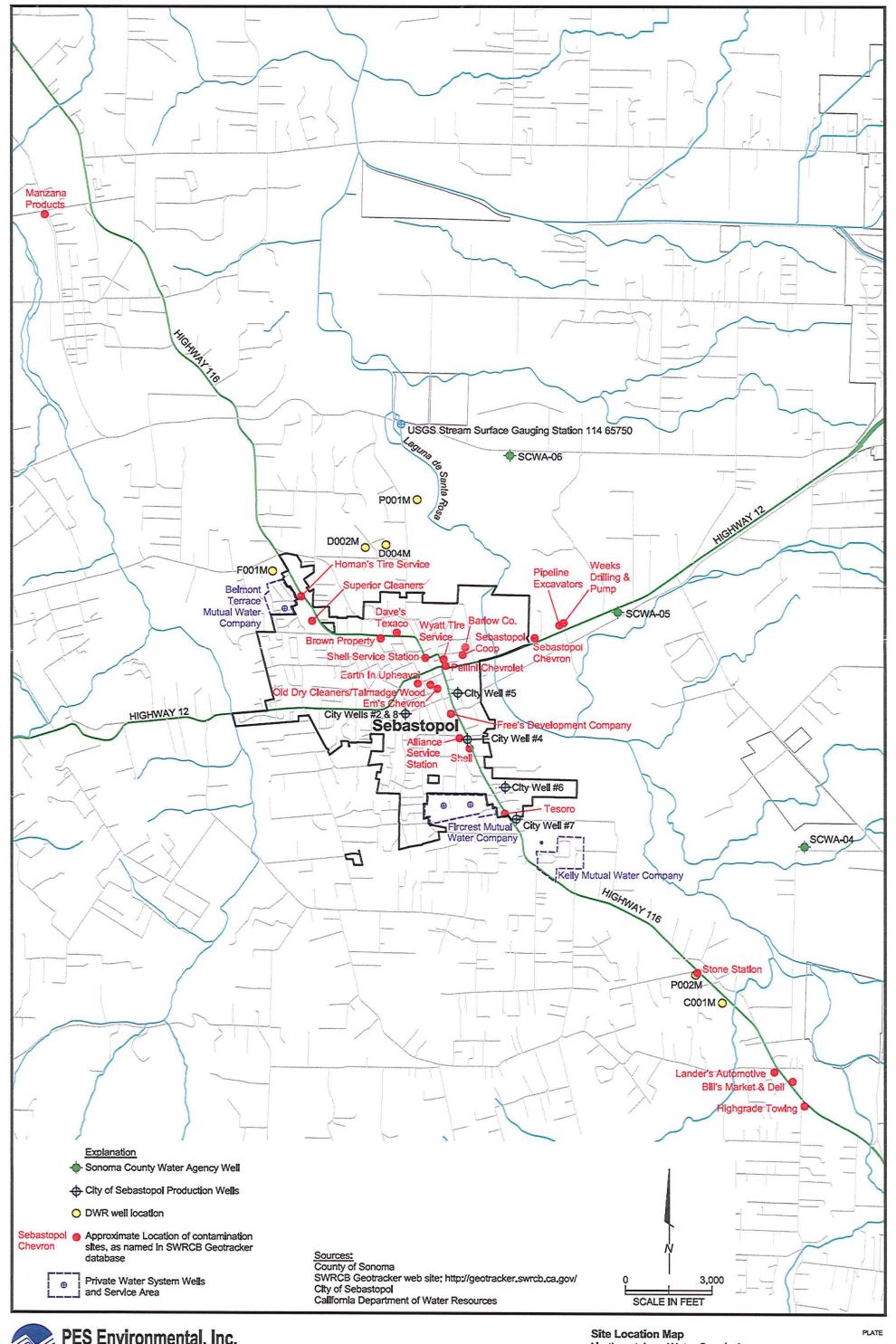




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Approximate Extent of PCE in Deep Ground-Water Monitoring Wells, November 2003 Old Dry Cleaner Site 250 South Main Street, Sebastopol, California

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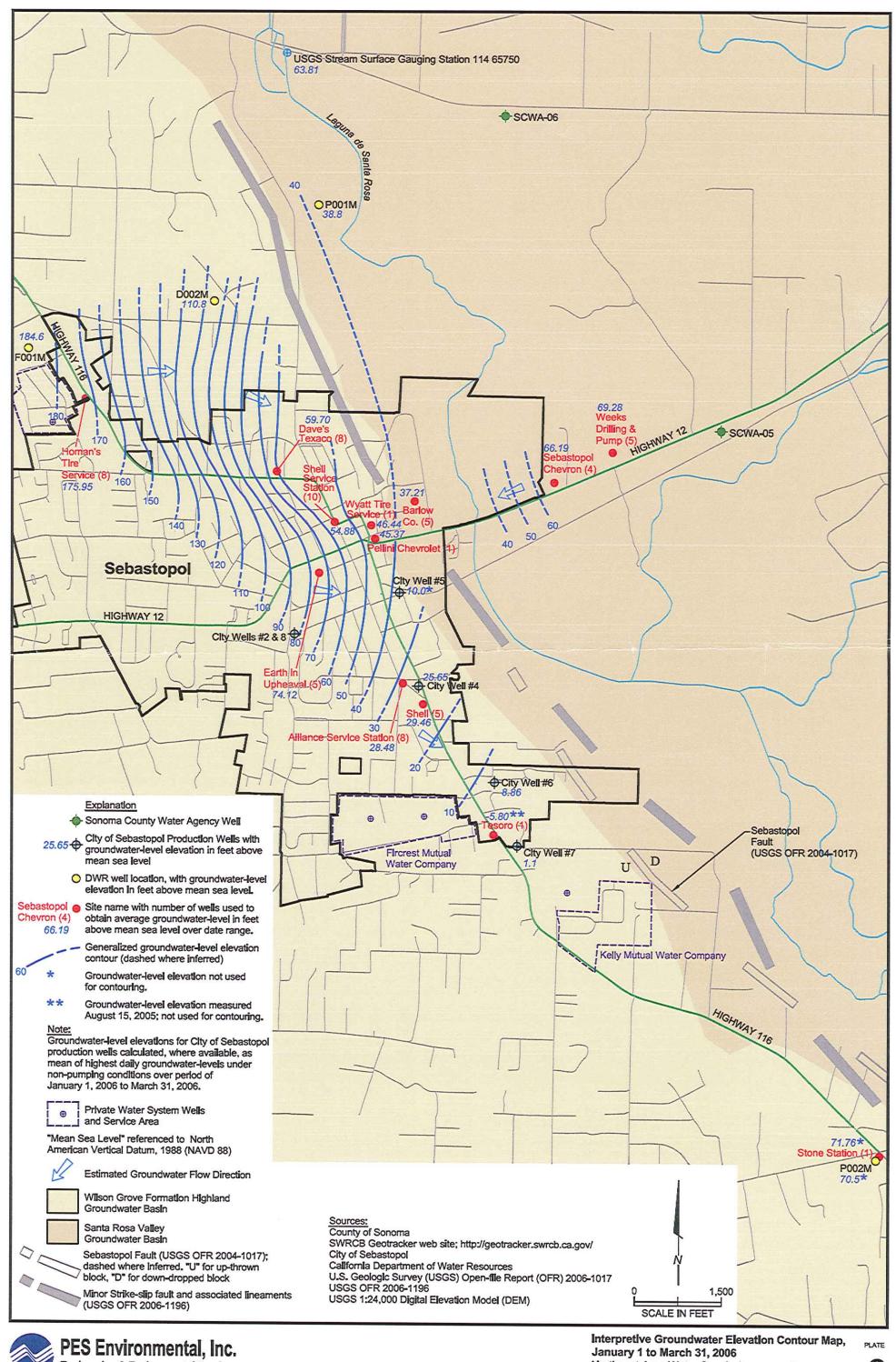


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Appendix B
Various Figures from ECM Group's
Remedial Action Plan for
501 S. Main Street, May 7, 2012

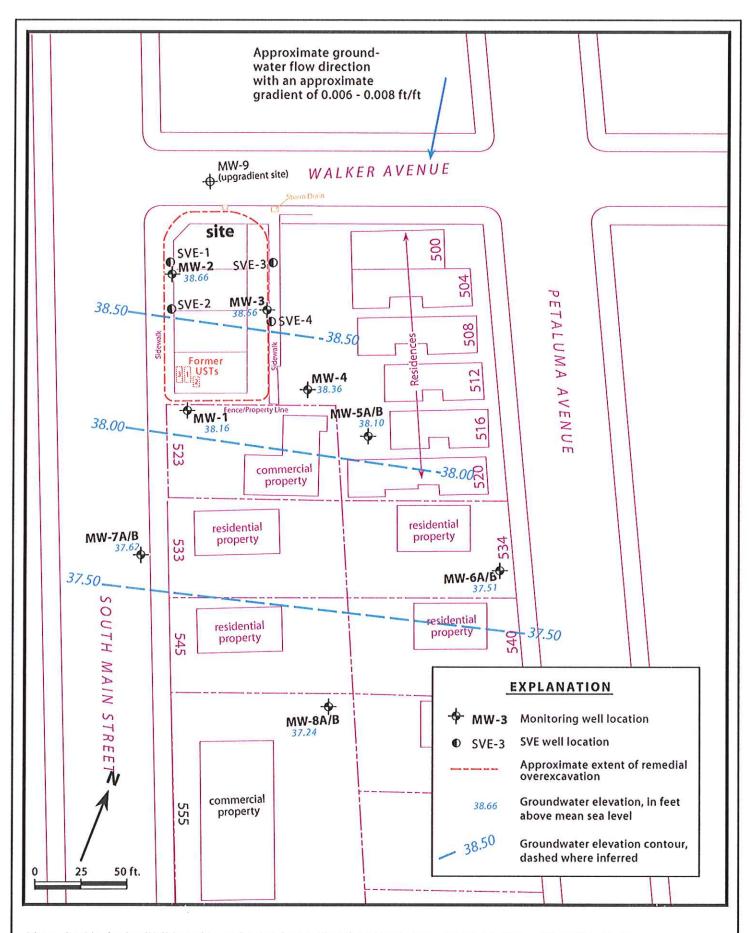


Figure 5. Monitoring Well Locations and Groundwater Elevation Contour Map - March 31, 2011 - 501 South Main Street,

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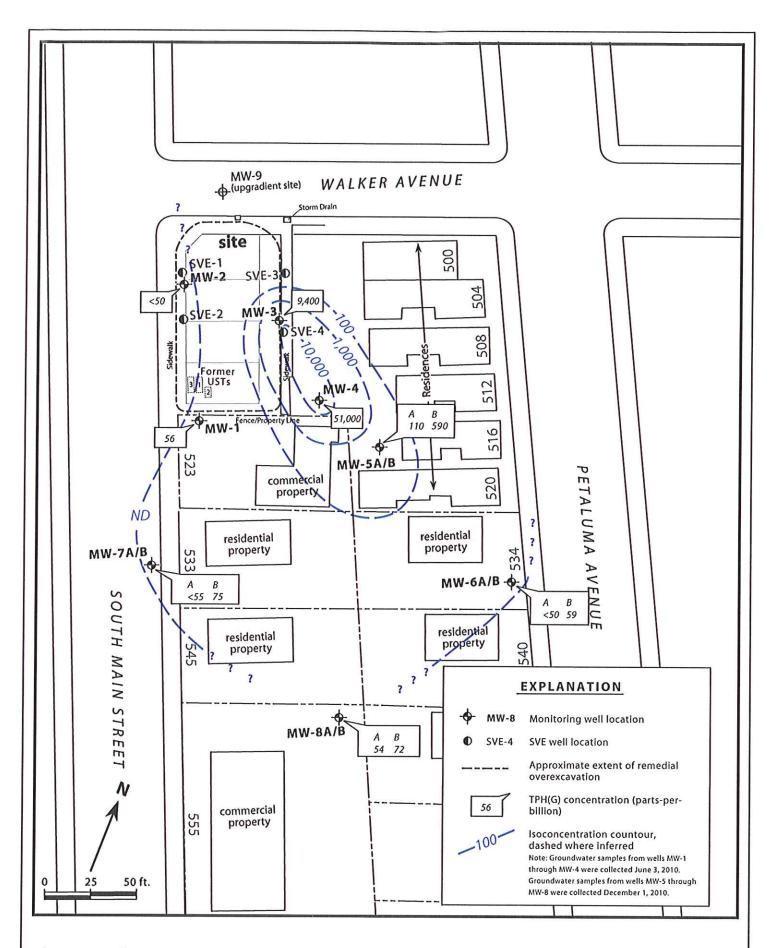


Figure 6. Gasoline Concentrations in Groundwater, June 3, 2010 and December 1, 2010 - 501 South Main Street, Sebastopol, California

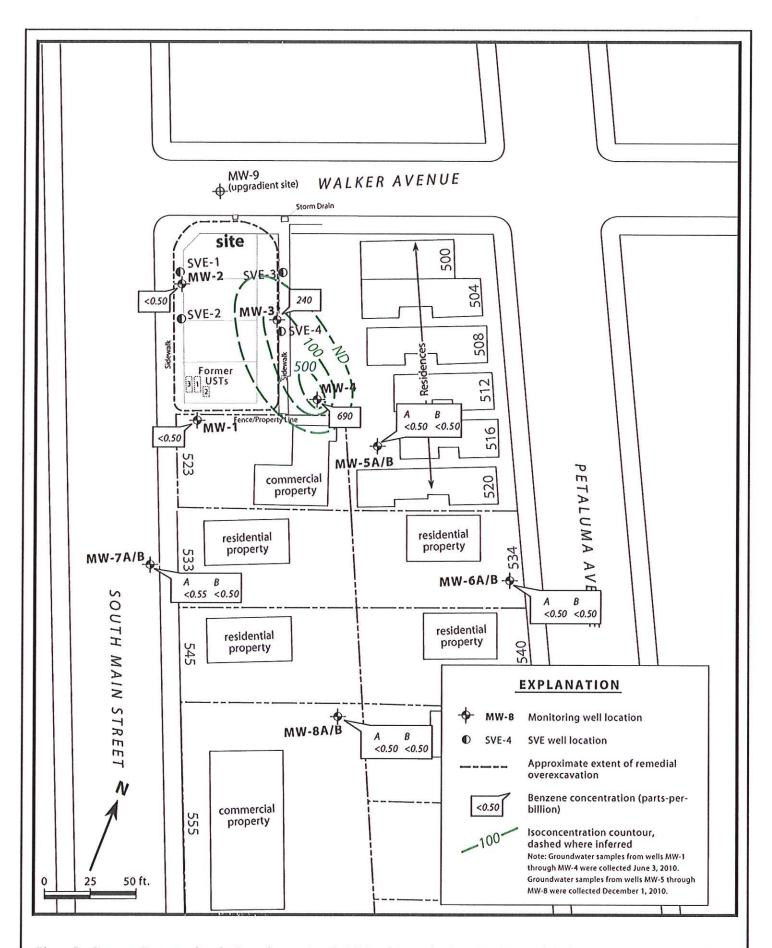
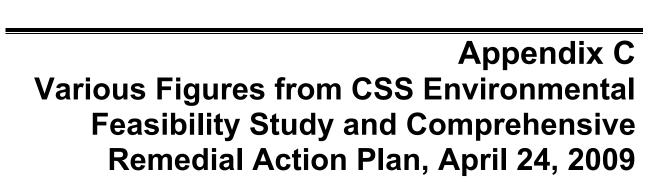
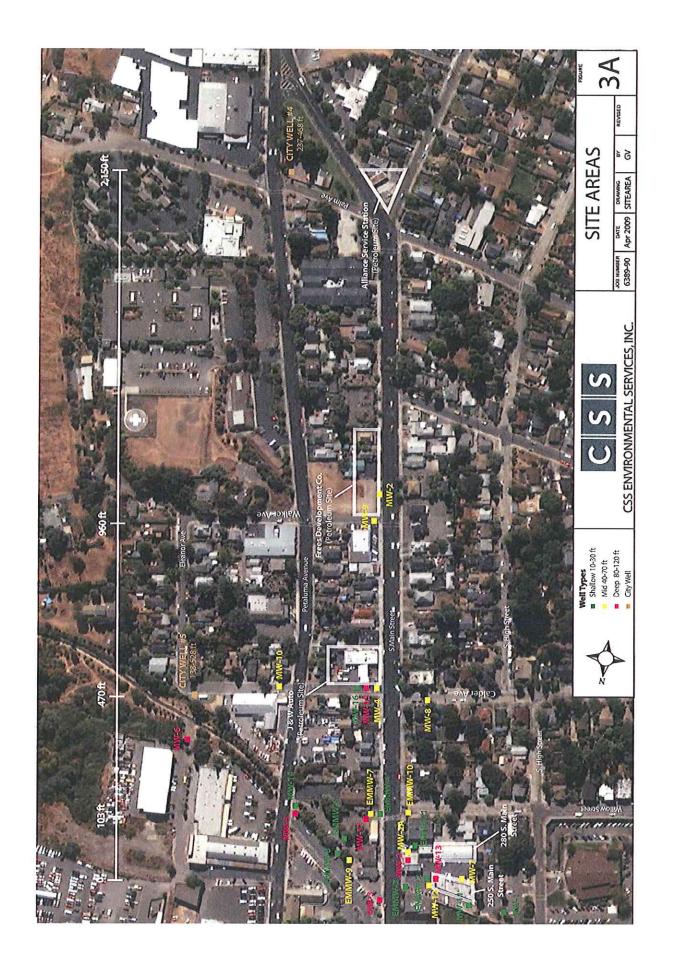
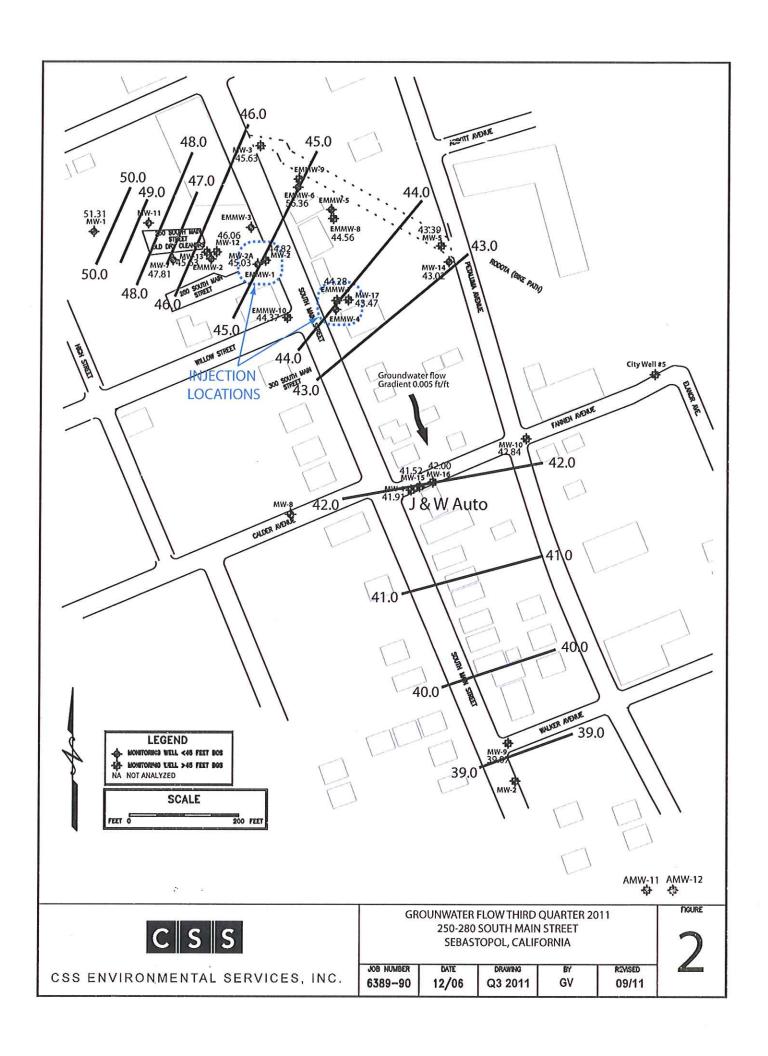
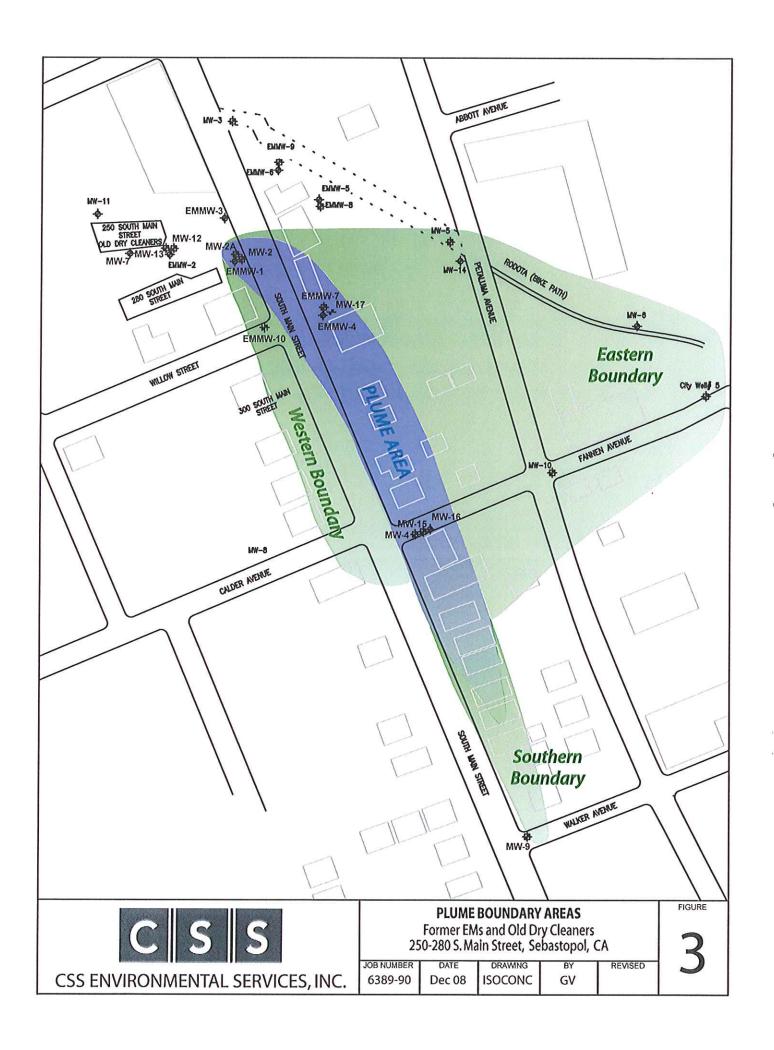


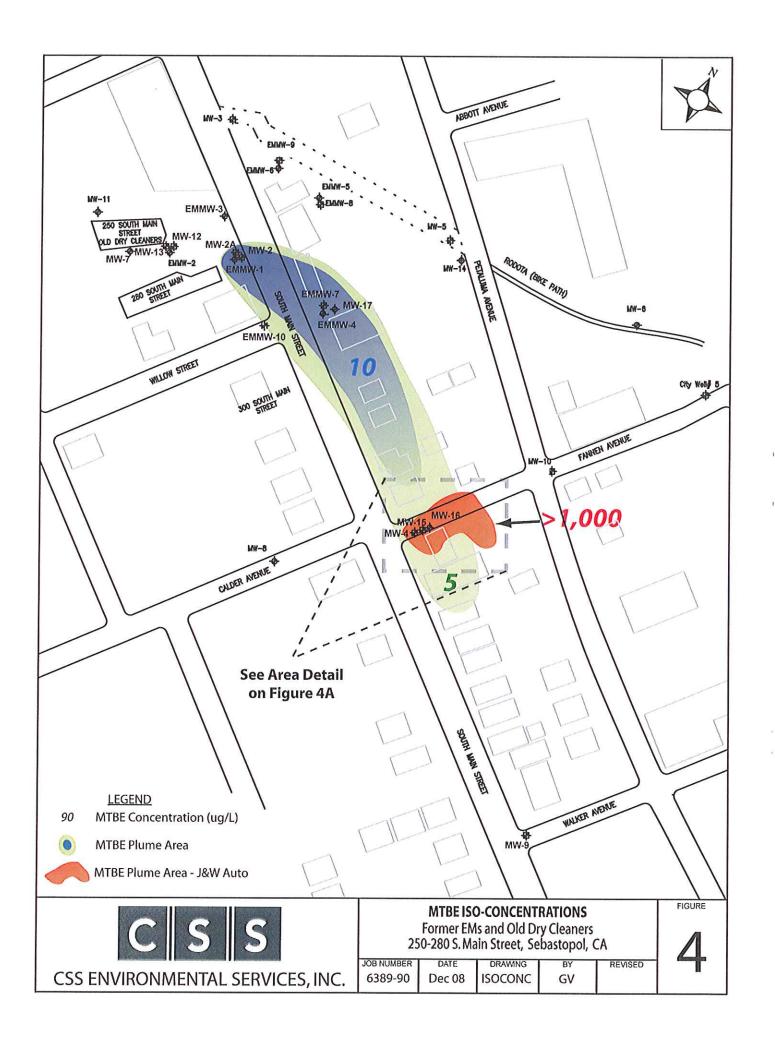
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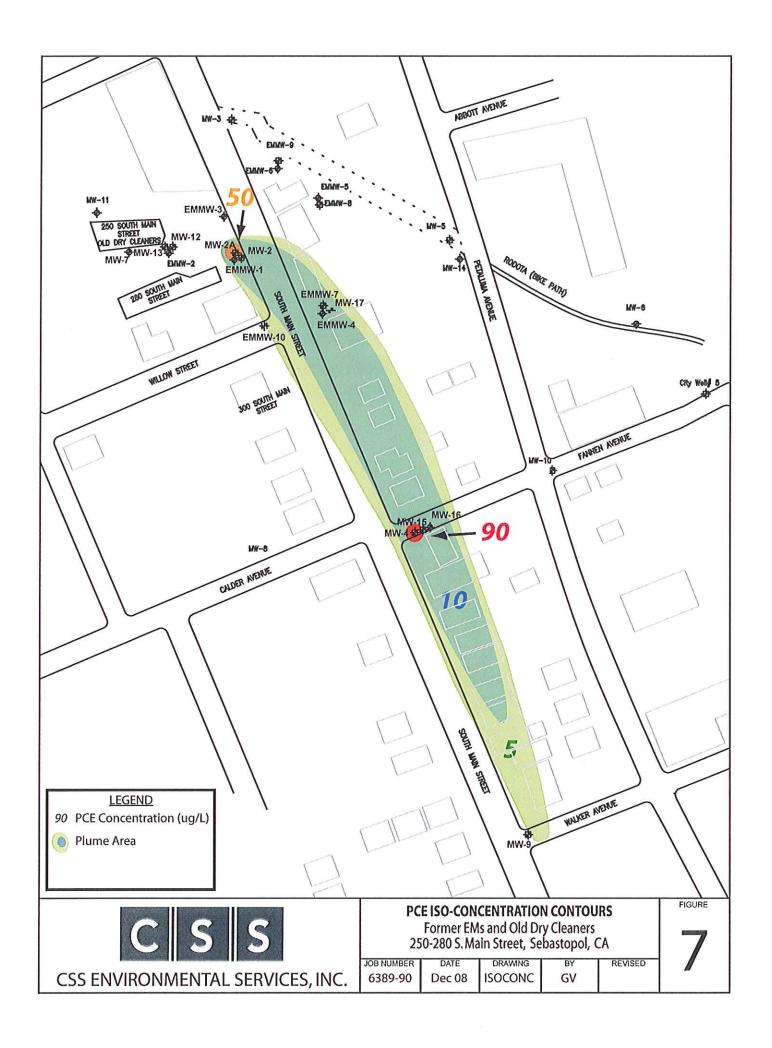
















August 1, 2012

Dante Del Prete City of Sebastopol 714 Johnson Street Sebastopol, CA 95472

Dear Dante,

Enclosed you will find the partial report 2072608 for your Water Quality Feasibility Test. As required by the California Department of Health Services, the letterhead copy of the report for work performed by the subcontracted laboratory is included. An invoice for this work will be sent with the final report.

Should you or your client have any questions regarding this report please contact me at your convenience. We appreciate you selecting Analytical Sciences for this work and look forward to serving your analytical chemistry needs on projects in the future.

Sincerely,

Analytical Sciences

Michele Peters Laboratory Manager Analytical Sciences

cc: Elizabeth Cargay, GHD, Inc.



COLUMBIA ANALYTICAL SERVICES, INC.

Now part of the ALS Group Analytical Report

Client: Project: Sample Matrix:

Analytical Sciences LLC 2072608

Water

Service Request: K1207277
Date Collected: 7/26/2012
Date Received: 7/27/2012

Total Metals

Sample Name: Lab Code: Test Notes:

Well #6

Units: ug/L (ppb) Basis: NA

K1207277-001

Analyte	Prep Method	Analysis Method	MRL	Dilution Factor	Date Extracted	Date Analyzed	Result	Result Notes
Arsenic (III)	None	1632 Rev. A	0.04	2	NA	7/30/2012	0.54	
Arsenic (V)	None	1632 Rev. A	1.0	50	NA	7/31/2012	19.1	
Inorganic Arsenic	None	1632 Rev. A	1.0	50	NA	7/31/2012	19.6	

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Water

Service Request: K1207277
Date Collected: NA
Date Received: NA

Total Metals

Sample Name: Lab Code:

Method Blank 1

Units: ug/L (ppb) Basis: NA

Test Notes:

K1207277-MB1

Analyte	Prep Method	Analysis Method	MRL	Dilution Factor	Date Extracted	Date Analyzed	Result	Result Notes
Arsenic (III)	None	1632 Rev. A	0.02	1	NA	7/30/2012	ND	
Arsenic (V)	None	1632 Rev. A	0.02	1	NA	7/31/2012	ND	
Inorganic Arsenic	None	1632 Rev. A	0.02	1	NA	7/31/2012	ND	

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Water

Service Request: K1207277

Date Collected: NA

Date Received: NA

Total Metals

Sample Name: Lab Code: Test Notes:

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Units: ug/L (ppb) Basis: NA

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Arsenic (III)	None	1632 Rev. A	0.02	1	NA	7/30/2012	ND	
Arsenic (V)	None	1632 Rev. A	0.02	1	NA	7/31/2012	ND	
Inorganic Arsenic	None	1632 Rev. A	0.02	1	NA	7/31/2012	ND	

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Client: Project: Sample Matrix: Analytical Sciences LLC 2072608

Water

Service Request: K1207277
Date Collected: NA
Date Received: NA

Total Metals

Sample Name: Lab Code: Test Notes:

Method Blank 3 K1207277-MB3 Units: ug/L (ppb) Basis: NA

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Arsenic (V)	None	1632 Rev. A	0.02	1	NA	7/31/2012	ND	
Inorganic Arsenic	None	1632 Rev. A	0.02	1	NA	7/31/2012	ND	

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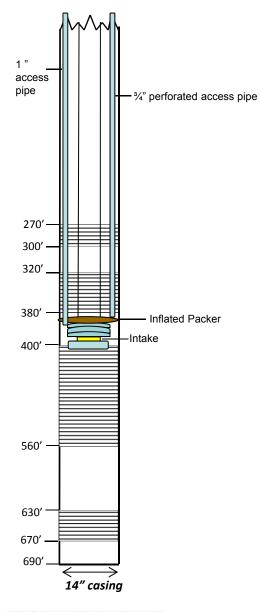






Report: Dye Tracer Injections To Test Packer Effectiveness City of Sebastopol Well 7

Tested Well 7: Dye Tracer Test: 11.6.2012



Well Information

Pump Type:
Pump Intake (ft. bgs)
Packer Depth (ft. bgs)
Well Diameter ID (inch)
Cross Sectional Area of screen (ft²)
Flow Meter Discharge (GPM)
Screen/perforation Interval(s) (ft. bgs)
Pumping Water Level (PWL) (ft. bgs)
%" PVC access pipe (ft. bgs)
1" PVC access pipe (ft. bgs)

Submersible Turbine 400' (est.) 385'-390' (est.) 14" 1.069 ft² 500-700 GPM (est.) 270'-300', 320'-380', 400'-560', 630'-670' Unknown 385' (est.) to top of packer 395' (est.) pass through pipe



Dye Tracer Injections To Test Packer Effectiveness – City of Sebastopol Well 7

Introduction:

In 2006, BESST performed a detailed flow and chemistry profile of Well 7 to quantify arsenic mass loading on a zone by zone basis under pumping conditions. Based on those results, Well 7 was modified and re-engineered to block off the highest arsenic contributing zones, which occur in the top two screen sections between 270'-300' and 320'-380' below ground surface (bgs). This was accomplished by placing a packer between 385'-395' bgs, with relocation of the pump intake below this point. Subsequently, the goal of arsenic reduction was accomplished, and Well 7 was able operate without the need for treatment for several years. In recent months, the arsenic concentrations gradually increased above the maximum contaminant level of $10 \mu g/L$. Recently, BESST was utilized to performed several dye tracer injections for City of Sebastopol Well 7 on November 6, 2012. The purpose of this test was to check if the packer that is currently deployed, is effectively blocking flow from above the top two screened zones.

Deployment Procedure:

Based on BESST's chain access survey, there was one viable access point available at the wellhead for Well 7. Although two PVC access pipes were installed, only one provided a viable path for dye travel within the annular space between the casing and pump column above the packer. That was the ¾" perforated access pipe, which is set between the column pipe and casing, and ends at the top of the packer at approximately 385' bgs. A 1" PVC access pipe on the opposite side of the annulus enters the top of the packer and exits just below the packer, in the part of the casing engaged by the pump. The chain survey results indicated BESST tools could not access the zone below the packer through the 1" pipe, possibly due to termination of the pipe near the top of the pump, which blocks further downward movement. Since the ¾" access pipe was perforated alongside the screened section of the casing above the packer, BESST was able inject dye in several locations inside the pipe. The effectiveness of the seal of the packer around the casing, and any other potential "leaky points" within the packer assembly would be determined based on detection of any dye concentration at the well head.

Conclusions:

Tables 1 and 2 on page 4 illustrates the results from the dye injection test above the packer. Based on injection tests at an estimated 500 and 700 GPM, at three locations above the packer (375',360', and 345'), it was determined that at no instance was their dye return at the surface, and therefore the water above the packer was not intruding below the packer. In other words, the packer is sufficiently functioning in the capacity at which it is deployed in Well 7. This conclusion is reached after allowing adequate time for the dye to reach the intake, if a leak point(s) were to exist. As a control, dye was poured down the 1" PVC access pipe followed by a constant flow of water from the discharge in order to push the dye towards the opening of the access pipe below the packer and towards the intake. The peak dye return time for this test was 9:50 at 7.60 PPB. The dye return during this control experiment verified the usage of the correct access pipe, and established the functionality of our equipment. This test only confirms the effectiveness of the packer in preventing water from above the packer, and within the well itself, from flowing to the intake. In order to understand the new dynamics in Well 7 since 2006, BESST recommends performing a detailed profile of the well to ascertain the new flow and chemical contribution characteristics along the length of screen. Based on those results, the City of Sebastopol may have the potential to relocate the pump and packer for reduction of arsenic, and therefore, avoidance or reduction of treatment costs.



Dye Tracer Injections To Test Packer Effectiveness- Dye Return Data Tables

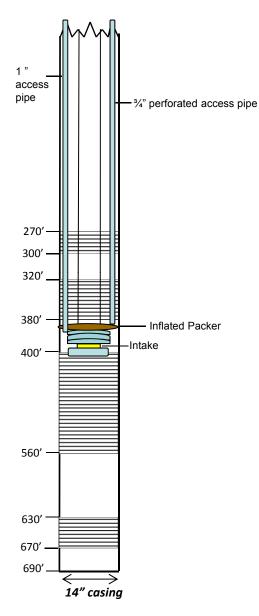


Table 1

Dye Injection Test Through ¾" access pipe			
Estimated Pumping Rate	Injection Depth (bgs.)	Start Time	Dye Return Times
500 GPM	375'	11:50:00	No Return
500 GPM	375'	11:56:00	No Return
700 GPM	360'	12:08:00	No Return
700 GPM	360'	12:16:00	No Return
700 GPM	345'	12:25:00	No Return

Table 2

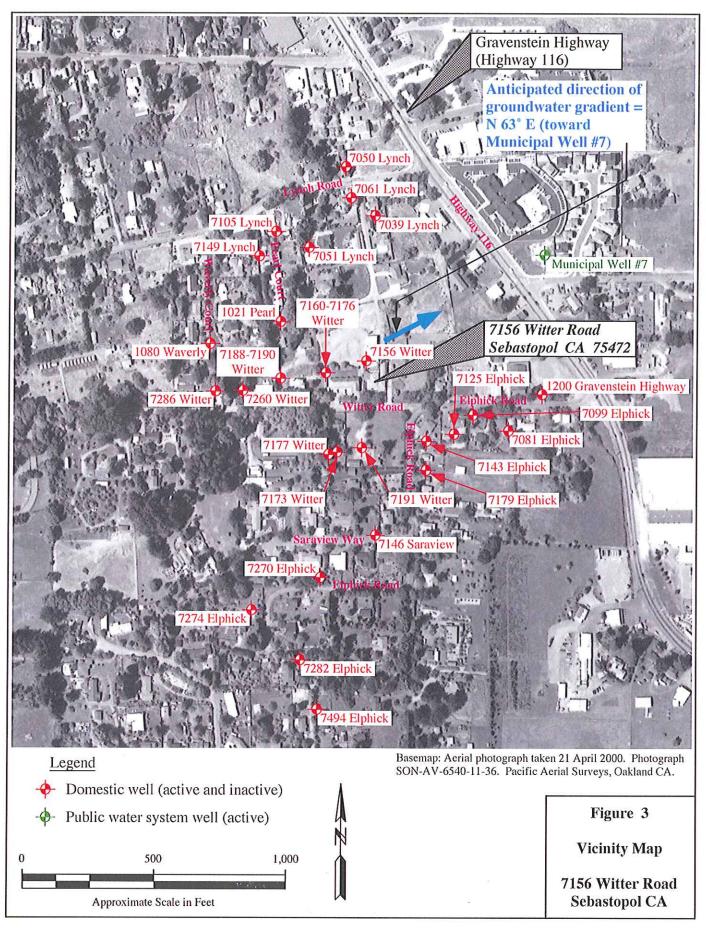
Control Experiment Through Pass Through PVC Access Pipe (1")			
Estimated Pumping Rate	Injection Depth	Start Time	Dye Return Times
700 GPM	Top of 1" access pipe	12:33:00	12:42:50

^{*} Well 7 was turned off at approximately 12:45:00



Appendix E

Various Figures from Streamborn's Installation of Groundwater Monitoring Wells and Groundwater Monitoring, December 19, 2005







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September 6, 2012

Mr. Jay Jasperse Sonoma County Water Agency 404 Aviation Blvd. Sonoma, CA 95403

Re:

Sebastopol Water Regulatory Compliance Feasibility Study - Discussion with Sonoma County

Water Agency

Dear Jay:

Thank you, and Pam and Don for taking the time to meet with us yesterday afternoon. As we mentioned at our meeting, as part of our Water Regulatory Compliance Feasibility Study, we are in the process of investigating all possible options available to the City to ensure an ongoing, ample water supply to our customers that consistently and reliably meets drinking water standards. One of the options that invariably comes up for discussion in this context is the possibility of receiving water from the water agency.

Based on our discussion at the meeting, you clarified that although the City of Sebastopol is included in the current Restructured Agreement for Water Supply (2006) in the category of "Other Users", we are the only agency in that category who is not presently receiving Agency water, and that the aggregate allocation of 2.7 mgd to "Other Users" is essentially committed to the other agencies. The realities of amending the Agreement are well understood; this would not be an easy or quick matter to resolve. In addition, there is presently no physical connection between the Sebastopol water distribution system and the Agency's nearest facilities on Highway 12; the cost of constructing a connection to the SCWA aqueduct, over a mile in length, and crossing the Laguna de Santa Rosa, presents a major constraint to this option in and of itself.

For all these reasons, a connection to the SCWA is not a viable option for Sebastopol at this time. Still, we believe that it is important to keep the option open, at least insofar as Sebastopol is included in the Restructured Agreement, among potential "Other Users" of the system, and it may be that in the future there are other developments and considerations, of interest both to Sebastopol and perhaps to some of our neighbors in the groundwater basin, in the context of groundwater management, that may revive this discussion.

Sincerely,

Susan Kelly

Engineering Director

cc:

Larry McLaughlin, Interim City Manager

Rich Emig, Superintendent of Public Works

Toni Bertolero, GHD



Net Present Value Calculations

Drinking Water Regulatory Compliance Feasibility Project City of Sebastopol

Assumed Annual Inflation=

			Zone	1 (Options					
	Option Z1A					Cost at	Tin	ne =		
	Alternative Summary		0		10	15		20	25	30
Well 5	GAC System Install	\$ 1	1,587,000							
Well 5	GAC Media Changeout			\$	133,222		\$	197,201		
Well 7	Modifications	\$	210,000							
Well 4	GAC Media Changeout	\$	90,000	\$	133,222		\$	197,201		
Total	\$ 2,548,000	\$ 1	1,887,000	\$	266,444		\$	394,402		
	Option Z1B					Cost at	Tim	ne =		
	Alternative Summary		0		10	15		20	25	30
Well 5	GAC System Install	\$ 1	1,587,000							
Well 5	GAC Media Changeout		· · ·		133222		\$	197,201		
Zone 2	Well Improvement/Treatment							,		-
Well 4	GAC Media Changeout	\$	90,000		133222		\$	197,201		
Total	\$ 2,338,000	\$ 1	1,677,000	\$	266,444		\$	394,402		
	Option Z1C					Cost at	Tim	ne =		
	Alternative Summary		0		10	15		20	25	30
Well 4	GAC Media Changeout	\$	90,000		133222			197201		
Well 5	GAC System Install	\$ 1	1,587,000							
Well 5	GAC Media Changeout				133222			197201		
Well 7	New Replacement Well	\$ 1	1,805,500							
Total	\$ 4,143,000	\$ 3	3,482,500	\$	266,444		\$	394,402		
	Option Z1D					Cost at	Tin	ne =		-
	Alternative Summary		0		10	15		20	25	30
Well 7	Modifications	\$	210,000							
Zone 2	Well Improvement/Treatment									
Well 7	Blending	\$	586,500							
Well 4	GAC Media Changeout	\$	90,000	\$	133,222			197201		
Total	\$ 1,127,000	\$	796,500	\$	133,222		\$	197,201	•	

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Net Present Value Calculations

Drinking Water Regulatory Compliance Feasibility Project

Well 7

Blending

City of Sebastopol 4% Assumed Annual Inflation= **Zone 2 Options** Option Z2A Cost at Time = **Alternative Summary** 0 10 15 20 25 30 Well 6 Deactivation Well 5 **GAC System Install** \$ 1,587,000 Well 5 133,222 197201 **GAC Media Changeout** Well 7 Modifications 210,000 Well 4 GAC Media Changeout 90,000 133,222 197201 \$ 1,887,000 266,444 394,402 Total 2,548,000 Ś Option Z2B (GFH annual changeout) Cost at Time = 10 20 Alternative Summary 15 30 Well 6 GFH System Install (Zone 2 Improve) \$ 2,321,000 Well 6 GFH Media Changeout (annually) \$ 14,200,000 701,500 Well 5 Piping to Well 4 GAC System Well 4 **GAC Media Changeout** 133,222 197201 90,000 \$ 3,112,500 133,222 197,201 \$ 14,200,000 Total \$ 17,643,000 Option Z2B (GFH triennial changeout) Cost at Time = **Alternative Summary** 10 15 20 29 GFH System Install (Zone 2 Improve) \$ 2,321,000 Well 6 Well 6 GFH Media Changeout (triennially) \$ 4,082,000 Well 5 Piping to Well 4 GAC System 701,500 Well 4 GAC Media Changeout 90,000 \$ 133,222 197,201 \$ 3,112,500 133,222 197,201 \$ 4,082,000 Total 7,525,000 Option Z2B - (coprecipitation) Cost at Time = Alternative Summary 25 0 10 15 20 29 Well 6 Coprecip System Install (Zone 2 Improve) \$ 1,265,000 Well 6 22,203 32,866 Coprecip Media and Chem \$ 3,336,876 Well 4 GAC Media Changeout 90,000 \$ 133,222 197,201 Well 5 Piping to Well 4 GAC System 701,500 \$ 2,056,500 230,067 \$ 3,336,876 155,425 Total 5,779,000 Option Z2C Cost at Time = Alternative Summary 10 15 20 25 30 Well 6 Deactivation Well 5 **GAC System Install** \$ 1,587,000 Well 5 **GAC Media Changeout** 133,222 197,201 Well 7 New Replacement Well \$ 1,805,500 90,000 Well 4 GAC Media Changeout \$ 133,222 197,201 266,444 394,402 \$ 3,482,500 Total 4,143,000 Option Z2D-1 (GFH annual changeout) Cost at Time = 10 20 **Alternative Summary** 15 30 Well 6 GFH System Install (Zone 2 Improve) \$ 2,321,000 Well 6 GFH Media Changeout (annually) \$ 14,200,000 Well 7 Modifications 210,000

586,500

Net Present Value Calculations

Drinking Water Regulatory Compliance Feasibility Project City of Sebastopol

City of	City of Sebastopol			Assumed Annual Inflation=							
Well 4	GAC Media Changeout	\$ 90,0	000	\$	133,222		\$	197,201			
Total	\$ 17,738,000	\$ 3,207,5	00	\$	133,222		\$	197,201		\$:	14,200,000
Ol	ption Z2D-1 (GFH triennial changeout)					Cost at	Tin	ne =			
	Alternative Summary		0		10	15		20	25		29
Well 6	GFH System Install (Zone 2 Improve)	\$ 2,321,0	000								
Well 6	GFH Media Changeout (triennially)									\$	4,082,000
Well 7	Modifications	\$ 200,0	000								
Well 7	Blending	\$ 586,5	00								
Well 4	GAC Media Changeout	\$ 90,0	000	\$	133,222		\$	197,201			
Total	\$ 7,610,000	\$ 3,197,5	500	\$	133,222		\$	197,201		\$	4,082,000
	Option Z2D-2 (Coprecipitation)					Cost at	: Tin	ne =			
	Alternative Summary		0		10	15		20	25		29
Well 6	Coprecip System Install (Zone 2 Improve)	\$ 1,265,0	000								
Well 6	Coprecip Media and Chem			\$	22,203		\$	32,866		\$	3,336,876
Well 7	Modifications	\$ 200,0	000								
Well 7	Partial Treat of Well Water	\$ 770,5	500								3413472
Well 4	GAC Media Changeout	\$ 90,0	000	\$	133,222		\$	197,201			
Total	\$ 9,461,000	\$ 2,325,5	500	\$	155,425		\$	230,087		\$	6,750,348



City of Sebastopol		D	ATE PREPARED: 10-03-12	
New Well Installation				
Reconnaissance-Level Estimate	ESTIMAT AS	;	CHECK EC	
DESCRIPTION	QUAN' NUMBER		UNIT COST	TOTAL
Well Site survey and acquisition				
Well Site survey and acquisition	1	EA	\$250,000	\$250,000
Pump Station Prefabricated Metal Building	1	EA	\$14,000	\$14,000
Site Improvements	1	LS	\$55,000	\$55,000
Power to Site	1	LS	\$150,000	\$150,000
Drill and Install Well	1	EA	\$450,000	\$450,000
Water/Process Piping	1	LS	\$35,000	\$35,000
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Subtotal				\$954,000
Reconnaissance-Level Estimating Contingency (30%)				\$286,200
Hard Cost Subtotal				\$1,240,200
General Conditions (8%)	П	1	<u> </u>	\$99,216
General Conditions (8%) Bond / Insurance (2%)		1	-	\$99,216 \$26,788
O&P (15%)				\$204,931
Soft Cost Subtotal		<u> </u>		\$330,935
Estimated Bid Price = Construction Budget				\$1,570,000
Permitting, Engineering Design, and Construction Support (15)	%)			\$235,500
Reconnaissance-Level Project Budget Estimate (2012 Dol	lars)			\$1,805,500

City of Sebastopol			<u>D</u>	ATE PREPARED: 10-03-12	
Well 4 Ganular Activated Carbon Media Changout					
Reconnaissance-Level Estimate	EST	IMATE	BY:	CHEC	K BY:
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DESCRIPTION		BER		UNIT COST	TOTAL
Media Changeout					
Media Changeout	2	2	EA	\$35,000	\$70,000
Subtotal					# 7 0.000
Reconnaissance-Level Estimating Contingency (30%)					\$70,000 \$21,000
Hard Cost Subtotal					\$91,000
General Conditions (8%)		ı			N/A
Bond / Insurance (2%)					N/A
O&P (15%)					N/A
Soft Cost Subtotal					\$0
Estimated Bid Price = Construction Budget Permitting, Engineering Design, and Construction Support (0%)					\$90,000 \$0
Reconnaissance-Level Project Budget Estimate (2012 Dolla	rs)				\$90,000

City of Sebastopol	<u>DATE PREPARED:</u> 10-03-12			
Well 5 Ganular Activated Carbon Install				
	ESTIMATE BY:		CHEC	K BY:
Reconnaissance-Level Estimate	AS		E	С
DESCRIPTION	QUANT NUMBER		ENGINEERIN UNIT COST	TOTAL
Site Preparation	110		0	
Remove Sand Settling Tank	1	EA	\$6,000	\$6,000
Modify Site Piping	1	LS	\$17,000	\$17,000
Pump and Motor Maintenance	1	EA	\$35,000	\$35,000
Site Development, Modification, Improvements, Foundation work	1	LS	\$265,000	\$265,000
GAC Unit Installation				
GAC Unit Delivered	1	EA	\$350,000	\$350,000
Unit Install	1	LS	\$15,000	\$15,000
Sand Separator Install Process Piping	1 1	EA LS	\$7,000 \$45,000	\$7,000 \$45,000
Filter Backwash Tank	1	LS	\$72,000	\$72,000
Process Controls and Integration	1	LS	\$25,000	\$25,000
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Subtotal	-			\$837,000
Reconnaissance-Level Estimating Contingency (30%)	-			\$251,100
Hard Cost Subtotal				\$1,088,100
General Conditions (8%)	-	-		\$87,048
Bond / Insurance (2%) O&P (15%)	-	-		\$23,503 \$179,798
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Soft Cost Subtotal	1			\$290,349
Estimated Bid Price = Construction Budget				\$1,380,000
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Permitting, Engineering Design, and Construction Support (15%)				\$207,000
Reconnaissance-Level Project Budget Estimate (2012 Dollars)				\$1,587,000

City of Sebastopol	<u>DATE PREPARED:</u> 10-03-12			
Well 5 Pipeline to Ganular Activated Carbon Unit at Well 4				
Reconnaissance-Level Estimate	ESTIMAT	E BY:	CHEC E	
DESCRIPTION	QUANT	AS QUANTITY		G ESTIMATE
	NUMBER	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Site Preparation	1	Γ.	\$5,000	¢ E 000
Remove Sand Settling Tank Modify Site Piping	1	EA LS	\$5,000 \$10,000	\$5,000 \$10,000
Pump and Motor Maintenance	1	EA	\$15,000	\$15,000
Sand Separator Install	1	EA	\$7,000	\$7,000
Pipelione to Well 4 GAC Unit				
8-inch C900 PVC pipeline	2,000	LF	\$130	\$260,000
Process Piping Modifications at Well 4	1	LS	\$25,000	\$25,000
Process Controls and Integration	1	LS	\$47,000	\$47,000
Subtotal Reconnaissance-Level Estimating Contingency (30%)				\$369,000 \$110,700
Hard Cost Subtotal				\$479,700
General Conditions (8%)				\$38,376
Bond / Insurance (2%) O&P (15%)				\$10,362 \$79,266
Soft Cost Subtotal				\$128,003
Estimated Bid Price = Construction Budget				\$610,000
Permitting, Engineering Design, and Construction Support (15%)				\$91,500
Reconnaissance-Level Project Budget Estimate (2012 Dollars)				\$701,500

City of Sebastopol		<u>DATE PREPARED:</u> 10-03-12			
Well 6 Arsenic Iron Coprecipitation Unit Install					
Reconnaissance-Level Estimate	ESTIMAT	ESTIMATE BY:		CHECK BY:	
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DESCRIPTION	NUMBER		UNIT COST	TOTAL	
Site Preparation	110	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		
Remove Sand Cyclone	1	EA	\$2,000	\$2,000	
Modify Site Piping	1	LS	\$10,000	\$10,000	
Site Development, Modification, Improvements, Foundation work	1	LS	\$24,000	\$24,000	
Coprecipitation Unit Installation					
Coprecipitation Unit Delivered	1	EA	\$455,000	\$455,000	
Unit Install	1	LS	\$12,000	\$12,000	
Chemical Storage and Delivery System Delivered	1	EA	\$16,000	\$16,000	
Chemical System Install	1	LS	\$11,000	\$11,000	
Sand Separator Install	1	EA	\$7,000	\$7,000	
Process Piping Filter Backwash Tank	1	LS	\$55,000 \$37,000	\$55,000 \$37,000	
Site Electrical Design Modifications	1	LS	\$37,000	\$37,000	
Process Controls and Integration	1	LS	\$12,000	\$12,000	
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Subtotal Reconnaissance-Level Estimating Contingency (30%)				\$665,000 \$199,500	
Hard Cost Subtotal				\$864,500	
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General Conditions (8%) Bond / Insurance (2%)	1			\$69,160 \$18,673	
O&P (15%)				\$142,850	
Soft Cost Subtotal		<u> </u>		\$230,683	
Estimated Bid Price = Construction Budget				\$1,100,000	
Permitting, Engineering Design, and Construction Support (15%)				\$1,100,000	
Reconnaissance-Level Project Budget Estimate (2012 Dollars)				\$1,265,000	

City of Sebastopol		<u>DATE PREPARED:</u> 10-03-12		
Well 6 Granular Ferric Hydroxide Install				
Reconnaissance-Level Estimate	ESTIMAT AS	E BY:	CHECK BY: EC	
DESCRIPTION	QUANT	QUANTITY		S ESTIMATE
Site Preparation	NUMBER	UNII	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Remove Sand Cyclone	1	EA	\$2,000	\$2,000
Modify Site Piping	1	LS	\$10,000	\$10,000
Site Development, Modification, Improvements, Foundation work	1	LS	\$24,000	\$24,000
GFH Unit Installation				
GFH Unit Delivered	1	EA	\$1,120,000	\$1,120,000
Unit Install	1	LS	\$12,000	\$12,000
Sand Separator Install	1	EA	\$7,000	\$7,000
Process Piping	1	LS	\$35,000	\$35,000
Filter Backwash Tank	1	LS	\$37,000	\$37,000
Site Electrical Modifications	1	LS	\$24,000	\$24,000
Process Controls and Integration	1	LS	\$12,000	\$12,000
Subtotal				\$1,283,000
Reconnaissance-Level Estimating Contingency (30%)				\$384,900
Hard Cost Subtotal				\$1,667,900
General Conditions (8%)			T	\$133,432
Bond / Insurance (2%)				\$36,027
O&P (15%)				\$275,604
Soft Cost Subtotal	II	JI		\$445,062
Estimated Bid Price = Construction Budget				\$2,110,000
Permitting, Engineering Design, and Construction Support (10%)				\$211,000
Reconnaissance-Level Project Budget Estimate (2012 Dollars)				\$2,321,000

City of Sebastopol		DATE PREPARED: 10-03-12		
Well 7 Blending using Partial Treatment of Well 7 Water				
Reconnaissance-Level Estimate	ESTIMATE BY: CHECK BY:		K BY:	
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DESCRIPTION	QUANT NUMBER		UNIT COST	TOTAL
Site Preparation				
Modify Site Piping	1	LS	\$10,000	\$10,000
Site Development, Modification, Improvements, Foundation work	1	LS	\$24,000	\$24,000
GFH Units Installation				
GFH Unit Delivered Unit Install	1	LS	\$320,000 \$12,000	\$320,000 \$12,000
Process Piping	1	LS	\$15,000	\$15,000
Site Electrical Modifications	1	LS	\$14,000	\$14,000
Process Controls and Integration	1	LS	\$10,000	\$10,000
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Subtotal				\$405,000
Reconnaissance-Level Estimating Contingency (30%)	-	ļ		\$121,500
Hard Cost Subtotal				\$526,500
General Conditions (8%)	<u> </u>	ļ		\$42,120
Bond / Insurance (2%) O&P (15%)	-	-		\$11,372
Odi (1070)	1			\$86,999
Soft Cost Subtotal	11.	l.		\$140,491
Estimated Bid Price = Construction Budget				\$670,000
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Permitting, Engineering Design, and Construction Support (15%)				\$100,500
Reconnaissance-Level Project Budget Estimate (2012 Dollars)				\$770,500

City of Sebastopol		<u>DATE PREPARED:</u> 10-03-12			
Well 7 Blending with Zone 2 Water					
Reconnaissance-Level Estimate	ESTIMAT AS	ESTIMATE BY: CHECK BY: AS EC			
DESCRIPTION	QUANT		ENGINEERING	ESTIMATE	
	NUMBER	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL	
Well 7 Blending	1 200	1.5	£475	£227 E00	
Install 12-inch Zone 2 piping to Well 7 Site Install Concrete Vault in City ROW	1,300	LF EA	\$175 \$48,000	\$227,500 \$48,000	
Blending Valve, Controls, Appurtenances	1	LS	\$37,000	\$37,000	
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Subtotal		1		\$312.500	
Reconnaissance-Level Estimating Contingency (30%)		1		\$93,750	
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Hard Cost Subtotal				\$406,250	
Conoral Conditions (9%)		1	1	\$20 E00	
General Conditions (8%) Bond / Insurance (2%)		1		\$32,500 \$8,775	
O&P (15%)				\$67,129	
Soft Cost Subtotal				\$108,404	
Estimated Bid Price = Construction Budget				\$510,000	
Permitting, Engineering Design, and Construction Support (15%)			\$76,500	
				\$500 E00	
Reconnaissance-Level Project Budget Estimate (2012 Dolla	19)			\$586,500	

City of Sebastopol	City of Sebastopol DATE PREPARED: 10-03-12			
Well 7 Modifications				
Reconnaissance-Level Estimate	ESTIMA		CHECK BY:	
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DESCRIPTION	NUMBER		UNIT COST	TOTAL
Well 7 Modifications		1	J.II. 5551	
Swaging	50	FT	\$1,000	\$50,000
Inverter Install to reduce pump output	1	EA	\$80,000	\$80,000
Lowering of Pump	1	LS	\$22,000	\$22,000
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Subtotal		-		£450.000
Reconnaissance-Level Estimating Contingency (30%)		-		\$152,000 \$45,600
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Hard Cost Subtotal				\$197,600
General Conditions (8%)		-		N/A
Bond / Insurance (2%)		-		N/A
O&P (15%)		1		N/A
Soft Cost Subtotal	<u> </u>		<u>. </u>	\$0
Estimated Bid Price = Construction Budget				\$200,000
Permitting, Engineering Design, and Construction Support (5%)				\$10,000
				44
Reconnaissance-Level Project Budget Estimate (2012 Dolla	rs)			\$210,000

City of Sebastopol		<u>DATE PREPARED:</u> 10-03-12			
SCWA Pipeline					
Reconnaissance-Level Estimate	ESTIMAT AS	ESTIMATE BY: CHECK BY: AS EC			
DESCRIPTION	QUANT			NGINEERING ESTIMATE	
SCWA Pipeline	NUMBER	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL	
12-inch C900 PVC Pipeline	6,000	LF	\$205	\$1,230,000	
Laguna de Santa Rosa Crossing (trenchless)	1	LS	\$75,000	\$75,000	
Pump Station Site survey and acquisition	1	EA	\$350,000	\$350,000	
Pump Station Prefabricated Metal Building	1	EA	\$17,000	\$17,000	
Pumps with Controllers	2	EA	\$35,000	\$70,000	
Site Water/Process Piping	1	LS	\$45,000	\$45,000	
Power to Site Site Improvements	1	LS LS	\$250,000 \$55,000	\$250,000 \$55,000	
One improvements			Ψ33,000	Ψ00,000	
Subtotal				\$2,092,000	
Reconnaissance-Level Estimating Contingency (30%)				\$627,600	
Hard Cost Subtotal				\$2,719,600	
General Conditions (8%)				\$217,568	
Bond / Insurance (2%) O&P (15%)				\$58,743 \$449,387	
Soft Cost Subtotal		<u> </u>		\$725,698	
Estimated Bid Price = Construction Budget				\$3,450,000	
Permitting, Engineering Design, and Construction Support (20%)			\$690,000	
Reconnaissance-Level Project Budget Estimate (2012 Dolla	rs)			\$4,140,000	



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1. Introduction

The City of Sebastopol (the City) operates a total of five permitted groundwater wells, four of which are actively used to provide potable, non-potable, irrigation, and industrial water supplies. However, the City does not currently have a backup water supply system in place and is not connected to any neighboring water systems, which limits its ability to ensure supply redundancy and overall system resiliency. In recent years, the City has experienced multiple periods of drought, placing additional strain on its water supply system.

To address these challenges and enhance long-term water supply reliability, the City has developed a project to replace existing Well #4. The primary goal of this project is to improve the resiliency of the City's water system and reduce the risk of service disruptions during drought conditions, thereby helping to ensure the continued delivery of safe and reliable potable water to the community.

Hazen and Sawyer (Hazen) was engaged to assist with this effort by identifying and evaluating potential funding sources, developing funding alternatives, preparing a cost estimate for the Well #4 Replacement Project, and providing recommendations to advance the project. This technical memorandum documents the findings of the completed scope of work.

2. Evaluation of Potential Funding Sources

Hazen evaluated four potential funding sources summarized in **Table 1**, and discussed thereafter. Potential funding sources were selected for evaluation based on funding program alignment with the scope and goals of the Well #4 replacement as well as past discussions with the City.



Table 1: Funding Sources Evaluated

Funding Source	Agency	Program Information	Deadline, if applicable
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)	State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)	Low interest loans.The current interest rate is 1.9%.	Year-Round.
Drought Resiliency Program	United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR)	Supports projects that increase the reliability of water supplies.	 Previous Notice of Funding Opportunity was posted July 24, 2024. Applications were due October 7, 2024.
Water Technical Assistance (WaterTA)	United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA)	Supports communities by providing free, hands-on support to communities to help improve their drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater infrastructure.	Assistance is provided on a rolling basis.
Hazard Mitigation Planning (HMA)	Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)	Supports local hazard mitigation plan development or updates, planning related activities, and shovel ready projects.	Notice of Interest (NOI) Submission Deadline: May 29, 2025. Full Application Submission Deadline: September 15, 2025.

2.1 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) - State Water Resources Control Board

2.1.1 Description

The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) program offers low-interest loans, grants, and technical assistance to public water systems undertaking infrastructure projects that promote compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act and enhance overall water quality. As of the current funding cycle, the DWSRF interest rate is 1.9%, calculated as 50% of the average interest rate on California's general obligation bonds from the prior calendar year. This favorable financing structure makes the DWSRF an attractive option for municipalities seeking to implement critical water infrastructure improvements.

2.1.2 Considerations and Conclusions

Projects funded through the DWSRF program must comply with a range of federal cross-cutting requirements, including the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Davis-Bacon Act (which mandates prevailing wage rates for laborers), the American Iron and Steel (AIS) provision, and the



Build America, Buy America (BABA) Act. These requirements may add administrative and compliance complexity, which should be considered during project planning.

In addition, the federal government's proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 budget includes a significant \$2.46 billion reduction to both the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds, a proposed 89% decrease from FY 2025 funding levels. Although these cuts are not yet finalized, if enacted, they would substantially impact California's DWSRF program¹. Given this uncertainty, the City should consider pursuing DWSRF funding during the current application cycle. Securing funding this year will reduce the risk of delays or missed opportunities due to potential future budget reductions.

2.2 Drought Resiliency Program - United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR)

2.2.1 Description

The Drought Resiliency Program provides funding for projects that will help communities prepare for and respond to drought. This includes projects that increase the reliability of water supplies, improve water management, and or provide benefits for fish and wildlife and the environment.

2.2.2 Considerations and Conclusions

This program is subject to several federal cross-cutting requirements, including compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act, the Davis-Bacon Act, the American Iron and Steel provisions, and the Build America, Buy America Act. These requirements can add administrative complexity and should be accounted for during project planning and implementation.

An important consideration is that USBR prioritizes funding for projects that are part of an adopted drought contingency plan. The City meets this criterion through its 2023 Water Supply Contingency Plan, which strengthens the competitiveness of its application.

The FY 2025 funding opportunity was released on July 24, 2024, with an award ceiling of \$10 million. However, with potential shifts in federal priorities, the proposed FY 2026 budget includes a \$609 million reduction to USBR's overall funding compared to FY 2025. If enacted, this reduction could delay future Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) and reduce the availability of funding in subsequent years.

¹ Office of Management and Budget. (2025, May). Fiscal Year 2026 Discretionary Budget Request. The White House. https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Fiscal-Year-2026-Discretionary-Budget-Request.pdf

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2.3 Water Technical Assistance (WaterTA) - United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA)

2.3.1 Description

The WaterTA program offers free, hands-on technical support to help communities improve their drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater systems. Administered by the U.S. EPA, the program connects local governments, utilities, and Tribal entities with technical experts who assist in assessing system needs, planning infrastructure upgrades, and navigating the process of securing federal funding.

Services provided under WaterTA include identifying lead service lines, developing climate resilience strategies, and supporting compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act and Clean Water Act. This program is particularly beneficial for small or resource-constrained communities seeking to enhance their water infrastructure without the burden of upfront consulting costs.

2.3.2 Considerations and Conclusions

This program prioritizes support for disadvantaged and underserved communities, offering no-cost technical services such as the development of Preliminary Engineering Reports, up to 30% design plans, and assistance with completing State Revolving Fund (SRF) applications. These services are intended to help communities move critical water infrastructure projects closer to implementation by reducing early-stage planning and funding barriers.

A Justice40 screening analysis for the City was conducted in 2023, which found that the City does not contain significant areas that meet the federal criteria for disadvantaged status. As such, while the City may still be eligible for some technical assistance, it may not be prioritized for WaterTA resources compared to other communities with higher environmental justice needs.

In addition, the proposed FY 2026 federal budget includes significant funding reductions for the U.S. EPA, including a \$100 million cut to the Environmental Justice Program. If enacted, these cuts could impact the availability, scope, and responsiveness of WaterTA services in the near term.

2.4 Hazard Mitigation Planning (HMA) - Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

2.4.1 Description

The Hazard Mitigation Assistance program provides funding for projects that reduce the risks and impacts associated with natural hazards. It supports the implementation of long-term mitigation

strategies both before and after disaster events, with the goal of enhancing community resilience and reducing future recovery costs. Eligible activities include infrastructure retrofits, flood control



measures, wildfire prevention, and drought mitigation projects such as groundwater well replacements and upgrades to water supply systems.

2.4.2 Considerations and Conclusions

A Notice of Intent (NOI) was submitted by Hazen on behalf of the City to the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) in 2023; however, a full application was not pursued, due to the complexity of FEMA grant requirements, which typically include several detailed technical components such as a benefit-cost analysis, evaluation of project alternatives, and environmental and engineering documentation. The level of required technical analysis, planning, and design required to be competitive for the FEMA grant was not available at the time.

As of April 2025, CalOES is actively accepting NOIs for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), which is administered under FEMA's broader Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) umbrella. To be considered for funding, projects must either be shovel-ready or structured as phased projects with clearly defined implementation stages. Funding priorities for the current HMGP cycle include:

- Innovative wildfire mitigation activities and infrastructure
- Stormwater capture and reuse
- Groundwater recharge and drought resilience enhancements
- Reservoir capacity improvements to address both drought and flood risks
- Undergrounding of power lines in wildfire-prone areas
- Landslide barriers and erosion control measures to protect communities from post-wildfire conditions

2.5 Evaluation of Potential Funding Sources

Based on the evaluation of the four funding sources, past experience supporting similar groundwater infrastructure projects, and input from City staff, the DWSRF program emerged as the most advantageous option for advancing the Well #4 Replacement Project. The program offers a combination of low-interest financing, potential principal forgiveness, and technical support, making it well-suited to the City's needs. Additionally, the DWSRF's focus on enhancing water system reliability, regulatory compliance, and drought resilience aligns closely with the project's core objectives.



3. Evaluation of Funding Alternatives

Based on the identified potential funding sources, Hazen developed three funding alternatives for the Well #4 Replacement Project that could be assessed both qualitatively and quantitatively. These alternatives represent feasible approaches to financing the project and were selected for comparison based on the City's current financial planning, funding eligibility, and strategic goals. The three alternatives are:

Alternative 1: Full project financing through City-issued revenue bonds. This approach was previously identified in the City's 2024 Water and Wastewater Rate Report as the preferred financing mechanism for the Well #4 Replacement Project.

Alternative 2: Full project financing through the DWSRF program. This option offers low-interest loans and potential principal forgiveness, making it a financially attractive alternative if the City qualifies.

Alternative 3: A hybrid funding approach that combines partial grant funding with the remainder financed through City-issued revenue bonds. This strategy assumes successful grant acquisition and is intended to reduce the City's overall debt burden.

Details of each funding alternative, including assumptions and financial parameters used in the analysis, are provided in **Table 2**.

Table 2: Funding Alternative Scenarios Evaluated

Alternative	Definition	Assumptions
1	City-issued Revenue Bonds	• 5.0% interest rate and 30-year term ² .
2	DWSRF Loan	 1.9% interest rate and 30-year term. A 10% markup was applied to the construction cost estimate to account for federal cross-cutting requirements. The most significant of these requirements is the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA Act) procurement rules which apply for DWSRF funded projects identified as equivalency projects.
3	Partial Grant Funding and City-issued Revenue Bonds	 \$1.0 million dollars in grant funding from USBR or other source. 5.0% interest rate and 30-year term for Revenue Bond funded portion. A 10% markup was applied to the construction cost estimate to account for federal cross-cutting requirements. The most significant of these requirements is the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA Act) procurement rules.

² Based on financing assumptions for Revenue Bonds presented in the City of Sebastopol Water and Wastewater Rate Study Report (Raftelis 2024): https://www.cityofsebastopol.gov/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/SebastopolCA WaterWW RateStudyReport 06122024 FINAL.pdf



3.1 Evaluation of Financial Impact for Funding Alternatives

The financial impact of the three Well #4 Replacement Project funding alternatives were evaluated to quantify the potential benefits associated with pursuing state or federally administered funding programs. This analysis focused on comparing total project costs³ (refer to **Figure 1**) and the estimated financial burden per residential account per month (refer to **Figure 2**) under each alternative.

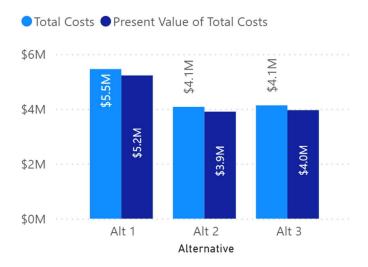


Figure 1: Total Cost of Funding Alternatives



Figure 2: Estimated Debt Service Cost Per Month Per Equivalent Residential Account, FY26-FY30

³ The total costs include the sum of all cash outflows over the lift of the loan. For example, a \$3 million construction project financed through a loan of 5% interest over a 30-year term would result in annual payments of approximately \$193,000. Over 30 years, this amounts to roughly \$5.8 million in total payments.



The analysis indicates that the DWSRF loan program offers the most significant financial benefit to the City. Due to its low-interest financing terms, the DWSRF alternative results in a present value savings of approximately \$1.3 million over the life of the project compared to full revenue bond financing.

This cost advantage also translates into a lower monthly impact on ratepayers. The debt service burden, calculated as the annual debt service attributable to the Well #4 project divided by the number of equivalent residential water accounts and then divided by 12 months, shows an estimated reduction of approximately 25%, or roughly \$1.05 per month per account when using DWSRF financing instead of revenue bonds.

Importantly, the analysis accounts for a potential 10% increase in construction costs associated with meeting federal cross-cutting requirements. Even with this additional cost, the favorable interest rate of the DWSRF loan still makes it the most financially advantageous alternative for the City.

3.2 Assessment of Funding Alternative Risks

Project financing methods can introduce new risks that may affect both the timeline and overall cost of implementation. These include schedule-related risks and the uncertainty of securing funding through competitive selection processes. In some cases, administrative requirements tied to specific funding programs, such as detailed application procedures, environmental reviews, or compliance documentation, may not align with the project's current schedule. Similarly, delays in the release or timing of funding opportunities can disrupt planned activities.

If the project schedule must be adjusted to meet funding program timelines or requirements, this can result in extended implementation periods, increased costs due to inflation or contractor pricing, and potential delays in delivering critical infrastructure improvements. These risks should be carefully weighed when selecting a financing strategy to ensure that project delivery remains efficient and cost-effective. A summary of the risks associated with each of the three funding alternatives are provided in **Table 3** below.

Table 3: Risks Associated with Funding Alternatives

Alternative	Definition	Assumptions
1	City-issued Revenue Bonds	 The City's 2024 Water and Wastewater Rate Report indicates that securing new debt financing may be challenging given the current financial condition of the water enterprise fund. This presents a moderate level of risk to the feasibility of obtaining revenue bond financing. By approving the 5-year water rate plan outlined in the Rate Report, the City has worked to mitigate this risk. This funding approach would not trigger federal cross-cutting requirements and is expected to pose minimal risk to the project schedule.



Alternative	Definition	Assumptions
2	DWSRF Loan	Given the project scope and estimated cost, the Well #4 Replacement Project is well-suited for DWSRF funding opportunities. However, the requirement to apply through a competitive process introduces a moderate level of funding risk.
		 This funding method would trigger federal cross-cutting requirements; however, it presents only modest project schedule risk, as the DWSRF program is well-established with clearly defined application and implementation milestones.
3	Partial Grant Funding and City-issued Revenue Bonds	The City's 2024 Water and Wastewater Rate Report indicates that securing new debt financing may be challenging given the current financial condition of the water enterprise fund. This presents a moderate level of risk to the feasibility of obtaining revenue bond financing. By approving the 5-year water rate plan outlined in the Rate Report, the City has worked to mitigate this risk.
		 Grant opportunities are not currently open for application and would be awarded through a competitive process, resulting in a high level of uncertainty and risk in securing this funding source.
		This funding method would trigger federal cross-cutting requirements and is associated with a moderate level of project schedule risk.

3.3 Funding Alternatives Evaluation Summary

Based on the funding options identified and evaluated, pursuing a low-interest loan through the DWSRF emerges as the most advantageous option for financing the Well #4 Replacement Project. The DWSRF program offers the greatest financial benefit to the City while presenting relatively low risk compared to other alternatives.

Hazen recommends that the City move forward with a DWSRF funding application for the Well #4 Replacement Project. In parallel, the City should continue to monitor potential opportunities to supplement this funding with grants, such as those offered by the USBR, should NOFOs be released. This dual-track strategy would enhance financial flexibility and potentially reduce the City's long-term funding burden.



4. Cost Estimate Evaluation

An updated estimate of probable construction cost was developed for the drilling, development, testing, and equipping of a new groundwater well. This estimate follows the Association for the Advancement of Cost Engineering (AACE) guidelines for a Class 5 estimate. A Class 5 estimate is expected to have an accuracy range of -50% to +100% relative to the estimated cost.

Due to the preliminary nature of the design and the classification of the estimate, a 40% design contingency was included. All costs are presented in 2025 dollars. The estimated probable construction cost is summarized in Table 4 below.

Table 4: Cost Estimate

No.	Cost Item	Total (\$)
1	Well Drilling and Development	\$790,000
2	Well Pump and VFD and Piping	\$290,000
3	Well Building	\$120,000
4	Site Work	\$90,000
5	Yard Piping	\$60,000
6	Electrical and Controls	\$210,000
7	Design Contingency	\$620,000
8	Total including Design Contingency:	\$2,180,000
9	Furnish new pump instead of reusing existing	\$740,000
10	Total including with new pump:	\$2,920,000

The cost estimate is based on the following key assumptions:

- The well will have a nominal diameter of 14 inches and a depth of 500 feet below grade.
- The base cost includes relocating the existing 100hp pump from the existing well to the new well. A new VFD will be provided. Rental of a temporary pump is included for approximately 1 week during switchover. An additional cost for a new 250-horsepower vertical turbine pump is included below the line if a larger pump is required.
- A 10-foot by 10-foot concrete masonry unit (CMU) building will house the pump.
- Site work, yard piping, electrical, and controls are estimated as a percentage of the total cost based on similar past projects plus some items as noted by the City such as new sidewalk along Palm Ave, extending the existing chainlink fence around the new wellhead structure,



installation of a manual transfer switch for future portable generator hook-up, and a security camera and panel.

• A new motor control center (MCC) is not included. It is assumed that power and controls will be provided by existing onsite equipment. Electrical costs are limited to new conduit and conductors between existing and new equipment, along with instrumentation at the wellhead.



5. Recommendations

Based on the range of funding sources evaluated, it is recommended that the City move forward with applying for a low-interest loan through the DWSRF to finance the Well #4 Replacement Project. The DWSRF program offers the most favorable financial terms and aligns well with the project's scope and objectives.

In addition, the City should actively monitor federal grant opportunity announcements, including those from the USBR, which may offer supplemental funding opportunities in the future. While such grants could help reduce the City's long-term financial burden, the availability and timing of these opportunities remain uncertain. Given this uncertainty, it is not recommended that the City rely on potential federal grant funding as part of its primary financial planning for the project. However, if relevant grant opportunities are released, the City should promptly evaluate the associated costs, benefits, and administrative requirements to determine whether pursuing supplemental funding would be advantageous. This flexible, proactive approach allows the City to move forward with a secure funding path while remaining positioned to capitalize on additional opportunities as they arise.