

CV-SALTS Annual Report



Presentation Outline

- Background
- Resolution Reporting Requirements
- Implementation Strategy
 - Addressing Nitrate Drinking Water Issues
 - Sustainable Salt Management
- Moving Forward



- Collaborative Basin Planning Effort
- Utilizing Stakeholder Process to Develop Salinity and Nitrate Management Plan

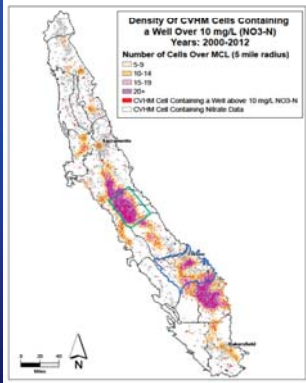
Central Valley Salt Issues



More salt enters the region than leaves

- Impacts (current/legacy)
 - Agricultural Production
 - Drinking Water Supplies
- Economic Cost
 - Direct Annual: \$1.5 Billion
 - Statewide annual income impact: \$3.0 Billion
- Diverse Sources

Central Valley Nitrate Issues



- Legacy Conditions
- Direct Impacts
 - Drinking Water Supplies
- Economic Costs
 - Treatment
 - Alternate Supply
- Diverse Sources

CV-SALTS Goals

Safe Drinking Water in Areas with Nitrate Impacted Groundwater



Environmental and Economic Sustainability

Cleanup and Abatement (CAA) Funds \$5-million Seed Money

- \$1.2-million (Res. #2009-0023)
- \$3.8-million (Res. #2010-0042)

Res. #2010-0042 Requirements:

- Annual Report at Public Hearing
 - Expenditures to Date
 - Services Provided
 - Contribution from Stakeholders
 - Accomplishments
 - Timeline to Complete Work

CVSC 27 Member Benefit Non-Profit

- County of San Joaquin
- City of Stockton
- Stockton East Water District
- The Wine Institute
- City of Tracy
- California Rice Commission
- City of Manteca
- City of Modesto
- San Joaquin River Group
- City of Vacaville
- City of Fresno
- City of Davis
- Westlands Water District
- California Resources Corporation
- California Association of Sanitation
- Central Valley Clean Water Association
- California League of Food Processors
- Tulare Lake Drainage District/ Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District
- San Joaquin Valley Drainage Authority
- Sacramento Regional County Sanitation
- Western Plant Health Association
- East San Joaquin Water Quality Coalition
- California Cotton Growers and Ginners
- Southern San Joaquin Valley Water Quality Coalition
- Dairy CARES/Western United Dairymen
- Pacific Water Quality Association
- Los Angeles County San District Corporation

Expenditures for Services and Stakeholder Contributions

	Since July 2008
CAA Resolution #2009-0023	\$1,113,024
CAA Resolution #2010-0042	\$1,788,850
Central Valley Salinity Coalition (CVSC) expenditures and direct match through September 2014*	\$1,593,145
Additional Stakeholder Contributions --Treatment/Feasibility studies; basin planning support; water quality data	\$12,875,291
Total:	\$17,363,120*

*Does not include in-kind service participating on committee(s)

Services Provided/Accomplishments

Data Compilation and Modeling

- ✓ Conceptual Model
- ✓ GIS Beneficial Use/ AGR Zone Efforts

Beneficial Use

- Tulare Lake Groundwater
- MUN in Ag Dominated Water bodies

Water Quality Objectives

- ✓ Aquatic Life
- ✓ Stock Watering
- ✓ Salt Effects on Irrigated Ag
- ✓ Salt Effects on MUN

- Lower San Joaquin River

Implementation

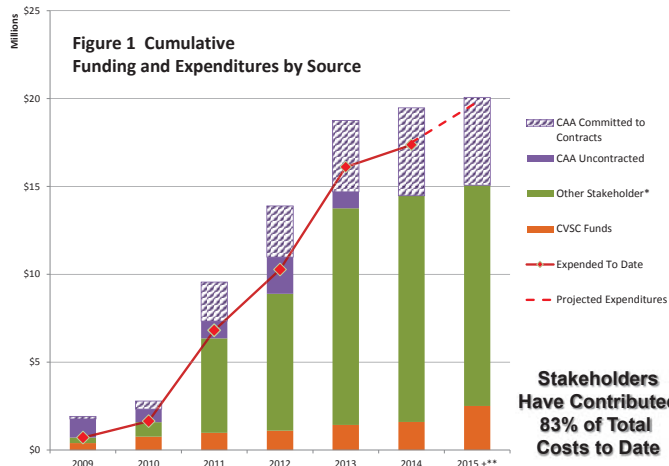
- SSALTS (Accumulation/Transport)
- Alternate Compliance Strategy (Legacy Nitrate)



Services in Progress

CAA Co-Funded Projects

- Administrative, Technical & Facilitation Support
- Phase II Conceptual Model
- SSALTS Phase 3
- Case studies to ground truth policy and implementation options
 - MUN Surface Water
 - MUN/AGR Groundwater
 - Lower San Joaquin River (Objectives/Implementation)
 - Early Implementation (safe drinking water)



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Summarized CV-SALTS Workplan Schedule

Figure 2 - Summarized CV-SALTS Workplan Schedule

CV-SALTS Program Element	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	+
Program Management									
Technical Studies									
Archetypes/Case Studies									
Groundwater MUN (Tulare)									
Surface Water MUN (Sac Valley POTWs)									
Management Practice Development									
Lower San Joaquin River Salt and Boron Objectives									
Implementation Planning									
Documentation for Approval									
CEQA Equivalent Documentation									
BPA Documentation Process Support									
Initial Implementation									
Monitoring and Reporting									
Phase II SNMP									

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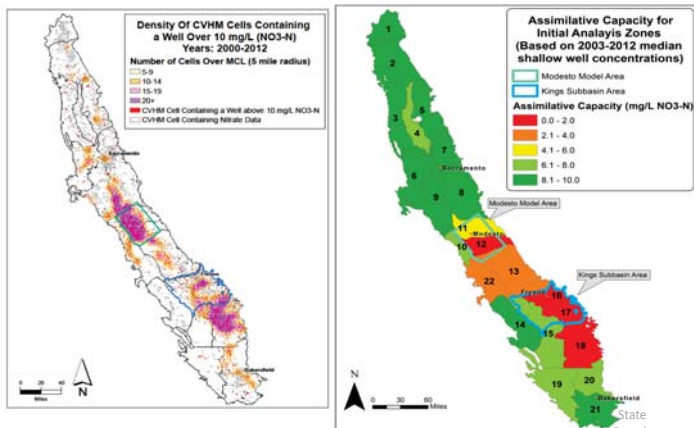
Technical Area	Primary Activities	SNMP Support	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016 (May) Final SNMP
Conceptual Model Development	Initial Conceptual Model	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Source identification Assimilative capacity Loading estimates 					
	Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preliminary SNMP (technical elements) Background WQ/ assimilative capacity calculation methods Management zone study 					
	Phase 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Antidegradation analysis Monitoring/Surveillance plan Economics analysis 					
Data Development	GIS - Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baseline database 					
	Agriculture Zone Mapping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AGR implementation tools 					
Beneficial Use Studies	Tulare Lake Bed MUN Archetype	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MUN implementation tools 					
	MUN Beneficial Use in Agriculturally Dominated Water Bodies Archetype	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MUN implementation tools 					
Water Quality Objectives	Salinity-related Effects on Agricultural Irrigation Uses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation of science behind establishment of salinity related objectives 					
	Salinity Effects on MUN-related Uses of Water						
	Stock Watering Study						
	Aquatic Life Study						
Implementation Planning	Strategic Salt Accumulation Land and Transport Study (SSALTS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SNMP implementation measures to manage salt and nitrate on a sustainable basis 					
	Salt/Nitrate Management Alternatives Assessment						
Lower San Joaquin River Committee	Technical Analyses (salt loading characterization, modeling)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordination with CV-SALTS SNMP development activities to ensure consistency 					
	Basin Planning Activities (WQOs, SED, economics, monitoring, implementation)						

Implementation Strategy

- Addressing Nitrate Drinking Water Issues
- Sustainable Salt Management

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Nitrate Impacts



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Addressing Nitrate in Drinking Water

- Addressing legacy nitrate will take years (i.e., decades)
- Beneficial use protection needs to occur much sooner
- Current regulatory scheme could result in prohibited discharges without addressing drinking water

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Key State Board Orders that control WDRs

- Order No. 73-4 – Rancho Caballero
– (*WDRs must implement Basin Plan*)
- Order No. 81-5 – City of Lompoc
– (*Sets principles for establishing limits depending on if constituent is in receiving water above or below the water quality objective*)
- Order No. 88-12 – San Diego Co. Milk Producers
– (*May need to prohibit the discharge*)

Order No. 88-12 – San Diego Co. Milk Producers

- Water exceeds objectives, thus limits are required
- Limits could be applied beneath root zone of irrigated field or at point of discharge
- But, in this case, dairy unable to meet potential limits
- Unless new data and information is provided showing assimilative capacity, discharges should be prohibited

Need Alternative Compliance Strategy

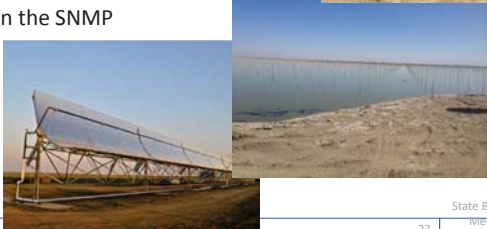
- Would give Regional Board *authority* to permit discharges that cannot meet objective
- In exchange, permittee(s) must provide immediate beneficial use protection (i.e., ensure safe drinking water)
- Compliance with objective part of long-term management strategy

Benefits of Alternative Compliance Strategy

- Addresses nitrate drinking water issues sooner – becomes an enforceable provision in WDR
- Prohibiting discharges provides no benefit and harms the Central Valley's economy
- Allows for implementation of long-term compliance strategies

SSALTS – Identify Sustainable Salt Management Alternatives

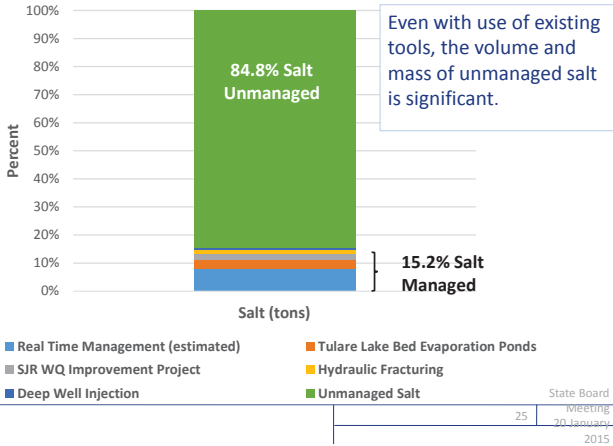
- SSALTS investigating:
 - Magnitude of the problem
 - Requirements to achieve sustainability
 - Available salt management tools - now vs. future
 - Implementation measures for inclusion in the SNMP



Key Salt Management Alternatives

Treatment & Salt Recovery Technology	Brine Disposal and Storage
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mature Technologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reverse Osmosis • Ion Exchange • Lime Softening • Evaporation Ponds • Emerging Technologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smart Integrated Membrane System (SIMS) • WaterFX Aqua4 System – Multi-effect Distillation • Zero Discharge Distillation by Veolia – Electrodialysis Metathesis • New Sky Energy – Temperature Control and Electrodialysis • Element Renewal – addition of polymers to remove trace elements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brine Supply for Hydraulic Fracturing • Deep Well Injection • Salt Management Disposal Areas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landfills • Dedicated Disposal Sites • San Joaquin River Improvement Project • San Joaquin River Real Time Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport Brine Out of Valley <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Truck/Rail Brine • Regulated Brine Line • Bay Area WWTP • New, permitted Bay Area Outfall

Achieving Salt Sustainability – Example Scenario from Southern Part of Central Valley

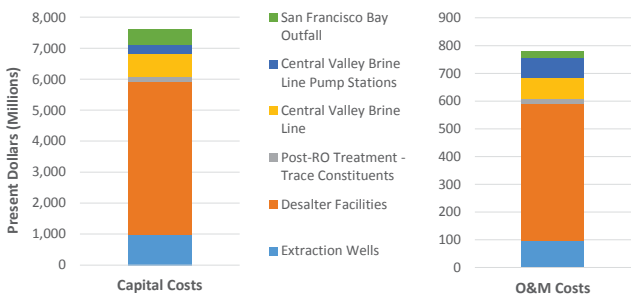


Achieving Sustainability Requires Having the Means to Move Salt Out of the Central Valley

- Central to all evaluated salt management alternatives is a **regulated Central Valley brine line**
- Concept level analysis completed
 - Alternative Central Valley routes
 - Preliminary Brine Discharge Alternatives
 - Via existing East Bay Municipal Utility District outfall
 - Via an alternative outfall to San Francisco Bay
 - Concept-level cost estimate – Capital and O&M

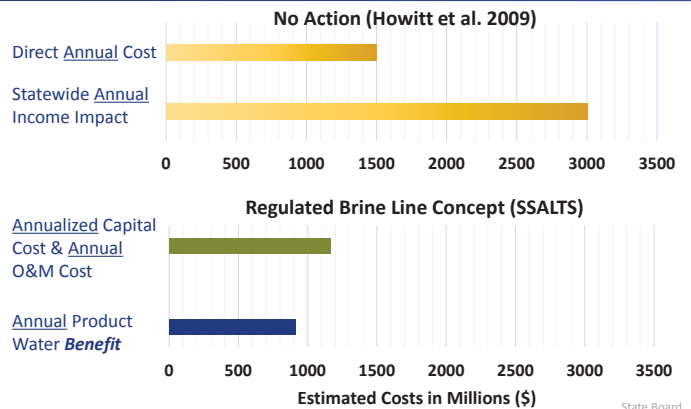


Conceptual Level Costs for Regulated Brine Line Alternative – Outfall to San Francisco Bay



Implementation of this alternative would yield product water with an estimated value of \$909M/year

Regulated Brine Line Concept vs. No Action



Moving Forward

- Continued Plan Development
- Extensive Outreach
 - Nitrate in Drinking Water
 - Sustainable Salt Management

Outreach Target Audiences

- Federal, State & Local Policy Makers
- Agricultural Interest
- POTWs & Stormwater Agencies
- Industrial / Manufacturing Interest
- Environmental Justice Interest
- Environmental Advocacy Interest
- Water Supply and Delivery Interest

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- Short/Long-term Funding
 - Local Partnerships
 - State
 - Federal



Anticipated Outcomes

- Compliance with Recycled Water Policy
- Updated Central Valley Basin Plans
- Implemented Strategies that:
 - Address Nitrate Drinking Water Issues
 - Achieve Salt Sustainability

Questions?