Goleta Water District Sustainability Plan

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Goleta Water District

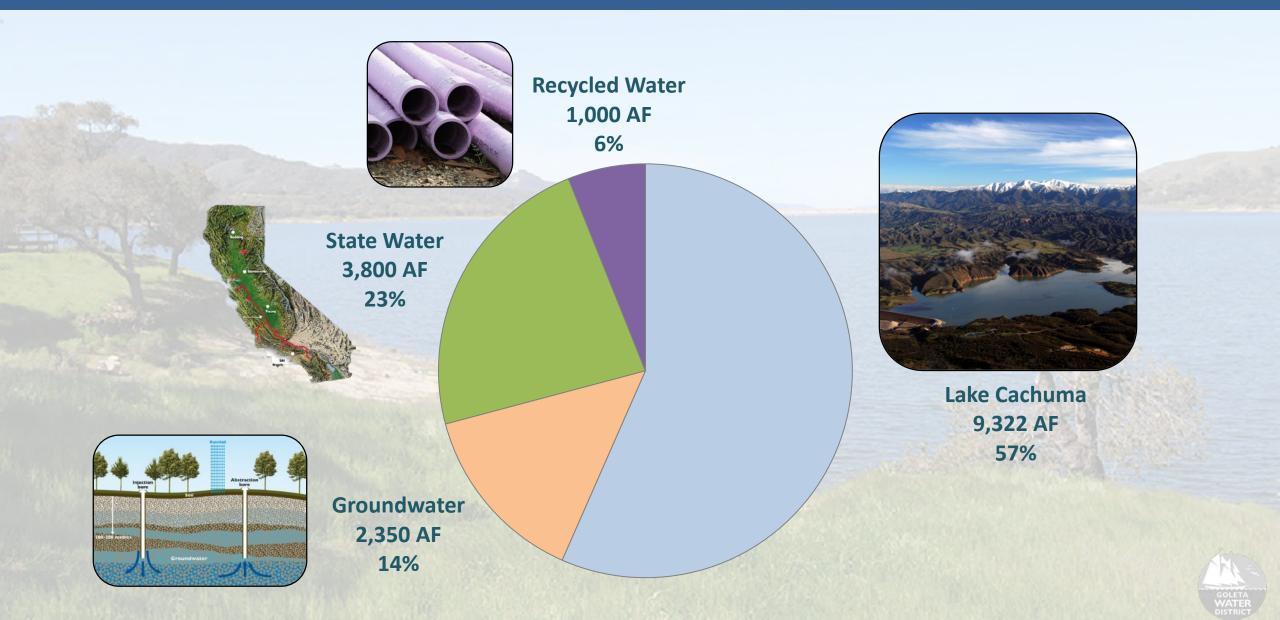


- Established in 1944
- 5-member elected Board
- Provides water to 87,000 people in the Goleta Valley

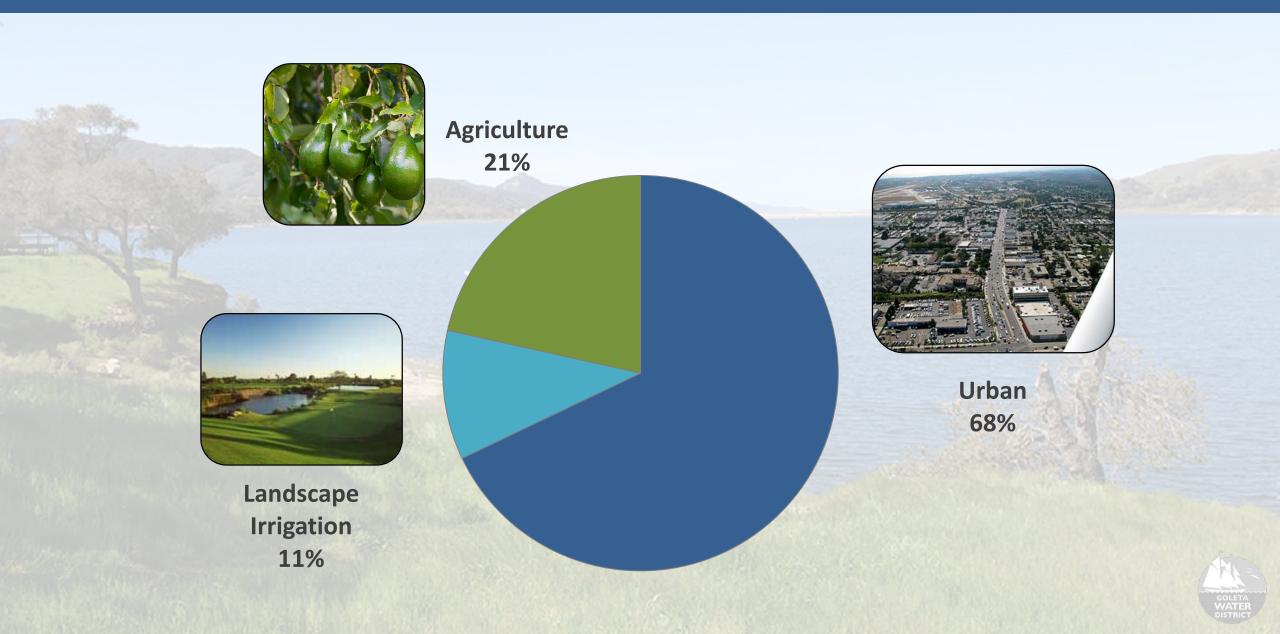




Normal Water Supplies



Water Uses in the Goleta Valley



Goleta Water District Operations & Assets







Service Delivery Context



Goleta Water District Sustainability Plan

Illustrates the District's sustainable approach to service delivery for current and future customers



Three Guiding Principles

District Mission

To provide an adequate supply of quality water at the most reasonable cost to the present and future customers within the Goleta Water District.

Sustainability

Sustainability investment occurs across all categories of GWD service delivery.

Service Delivery

Customer Service and
Business OperationsAdministration BuildingsWater SupplyBusiness Operationsand Fleet Managementand Distribution

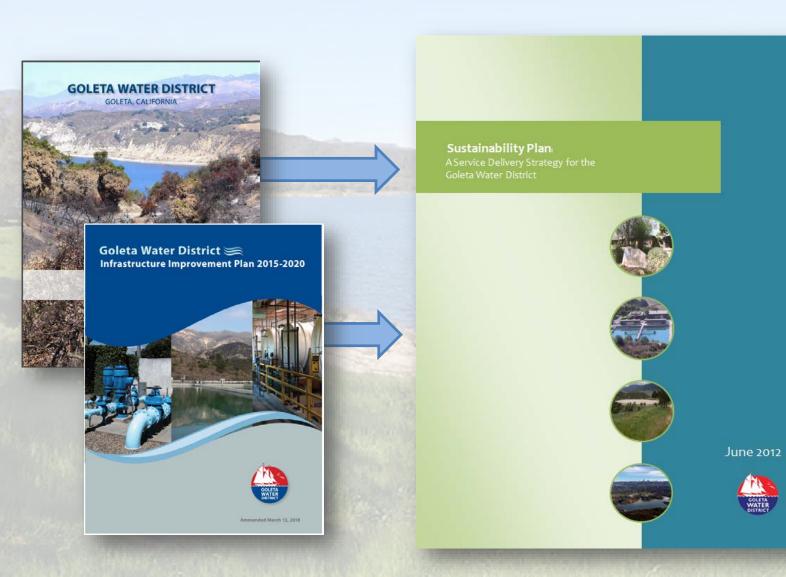
Water Supply, Treatment, and Distribution System



District Initiatives



Looking Through the Sustainability Lens



- Provides an overview of existing and future multiyear efforts in one document
- Informs decision-making

Looking Through the Sustainability Lens



Drought

Steelhead Trout

1950's Distribution System

Producing Sustainable Outcomes

District Strategies for Producing Sustainable Outcomes



Social Sustainability



Social Sustainability Strategies





 Improve community education and public engagement



 Ensure safe, clean, reliable water supplies to protect health and safety of community



 Implement customer rebate and incentive programs



 Enhance the safety, wellbeing, and productivity of District workforce

Economic Sustainability



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independence and emergency preparedness



for District customers

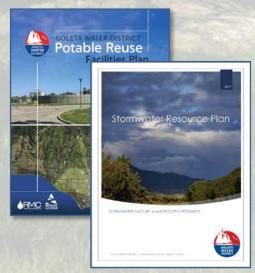
Economic Sustainability Strategies



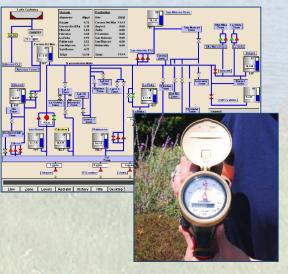
Minimize water loss and maximize accounting of water use



 Maintain, rehab, improve water distribution and treatment infrastructure



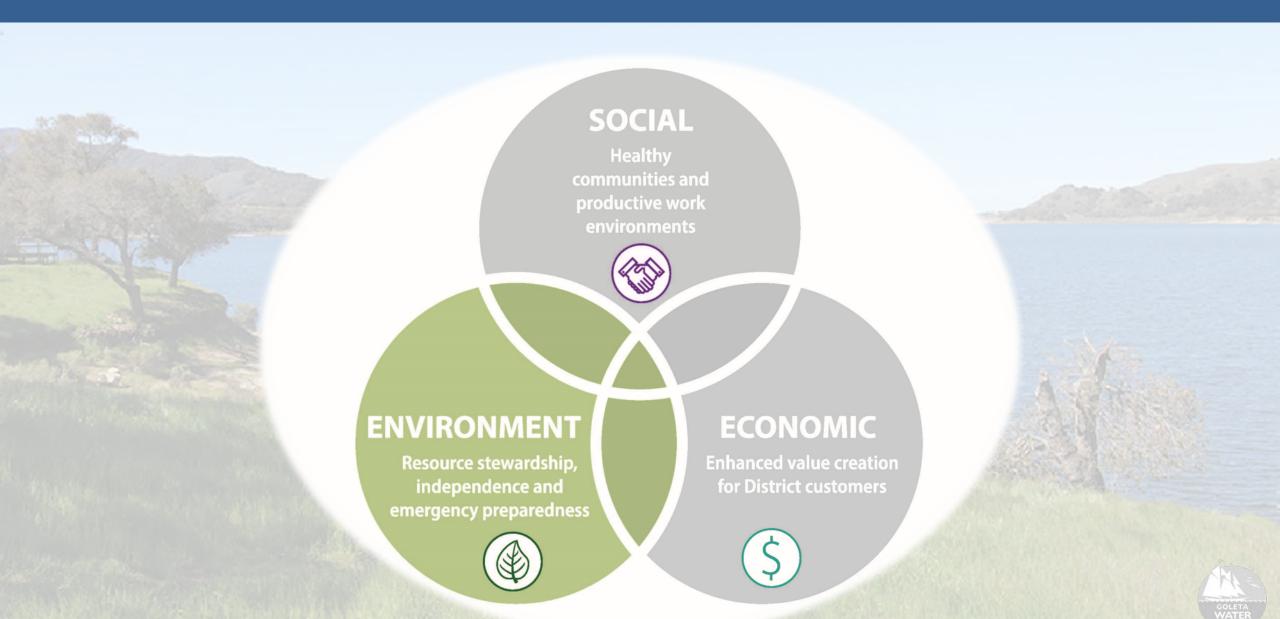
 Mitigate water supply risks and seek out alternative sources of water supply



 Keep pace with technological advances



Environmental Sustainability



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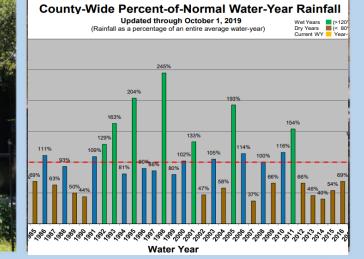






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Environmental Sustainability Strategies





 Improve efficiency of water distribution system and mechanical equipment



Explore and invest in renewable energy installations



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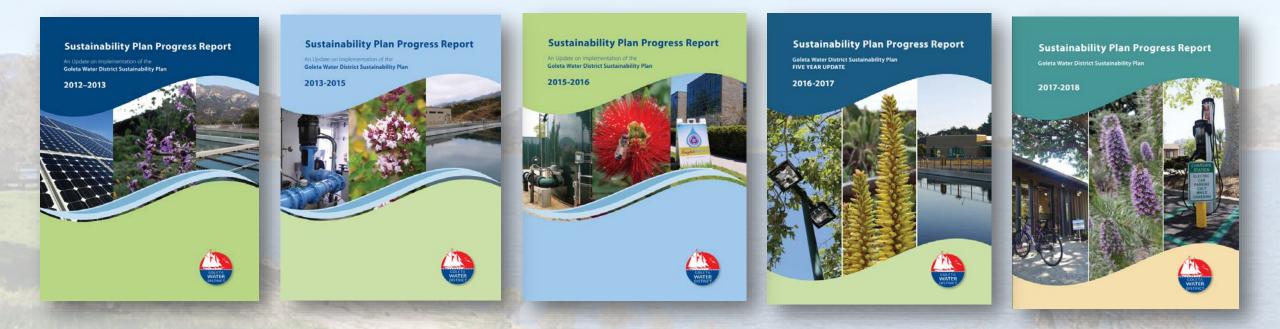
 environmental
 impacts of District
 administrative
 operations



 Improve sustainability of District fleet and heavy equipment



Annual Sustainability Plan Progress Reports



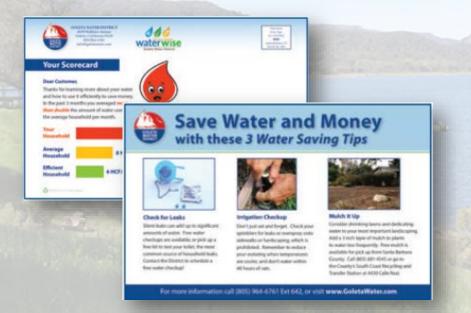
- Reflect back on District activities and sustainable outcomes
- Identify appropriate adjustments to priorities, timelines, or approaches

Tracking Progress

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Seven Years of Progress

Expanded Customer Tools and Resources







Rebates of \$80 per delivery Free Mula

Targeted outreach helped achieve a 30% reduction in water use

E-billing reduced customer walk-ins by 25% since 2013

1,108 customer rebates saved 128 million gallons of water



Seven Years of Progress

Climate Change Resiliency and Emergency Preparedness



LED lighting installations throughout District parking lot save energy Vehicle charging station installed for employee and public use

Solar energy system offsets electricity use and costs at well site

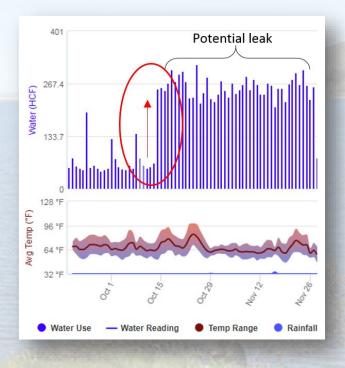


Seven Years of Progress

Service Reliability and Reduced System Water Loss

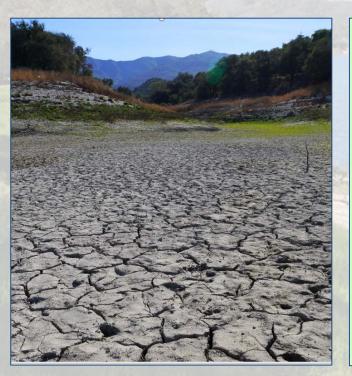






Well and groundwater infrastructure upgrades increase production capacity Valve Replacement Program ensures ongoing reliable service to customers Water loss control program saves water and costly emergency repairs

Addressing a changing service delivery environment







Drought resiliency

Replenish groundwater basin

Increasing water supply costs

Confronting new challenges



Severely burned watershed



Submerged vegetation in lake bed



Maintaining and replacing an aged distribution system



Thank you



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