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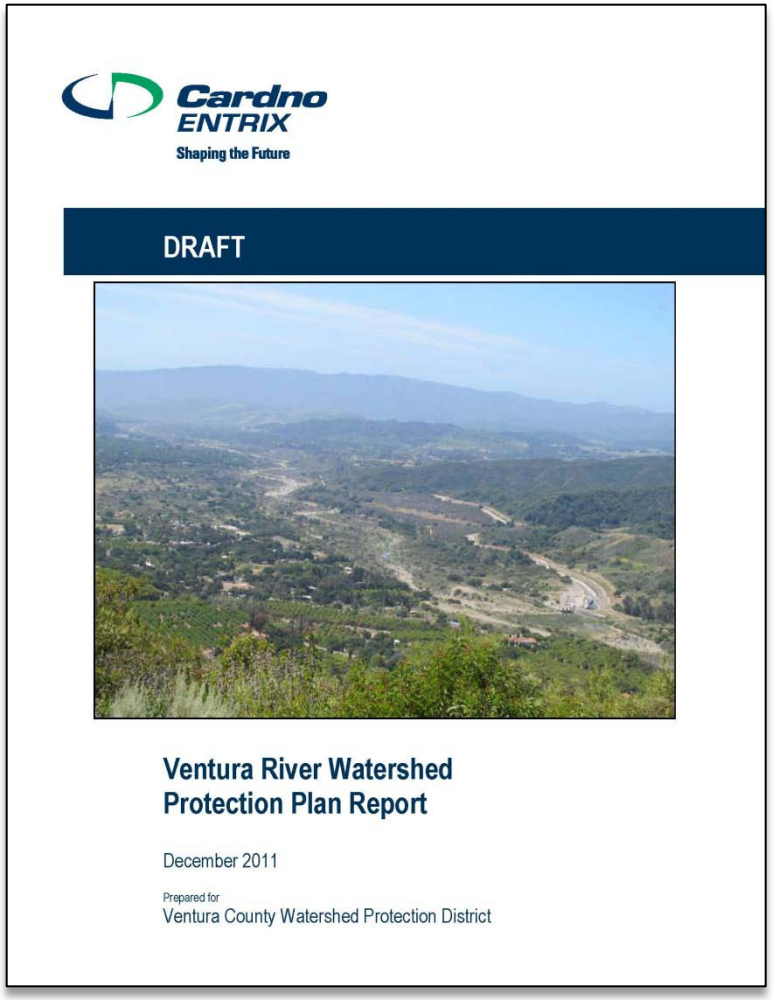
Ventura River Watershed Protection Plan Report

Ventura River Watershed Council
December 13, 2011

Presentation Outline

- Overview of Draft Report
- Next Steps
- Questions & Comments



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Report Outline

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2. Watershed Characteristics
3. Summary of V-1 Projects
4. Water Demand and Water Budget
5. Lessons from Other Watershed Plans
6. Data Gaps
7. Best Management Practices
8. Recommended Actions

Watershed Characteristics

2.1 Meteorology/Climate
2.2 Land Use and Land Cover
2.3 Watershed Topographic Characteristics
2.4 Seismicity, Soils, and Geomorphology
2.5 Fire Regime
2.6 Hydrology
2.7 Surface Water Quality
2.8 Groundwater Quality
2.9 Water Management

Summary of V-1 Projects

3.1 Ventura River Watershed Hydrology Model

3.2 Surface Water Quality Monitoring Program

3.3 Ojai Basin Groundwater Monitoring Plan

3.4 Upper and Lower Ventura River Basin Budget and Approach to a Groundwater Management Plan

3.5 Upper San Antonio Creek Watershed Giant Reed Removal Project

Water Demand & Water Budget

4.1 Water Demand

- Municipal & Industrial
- Agricultural
- Total Demand

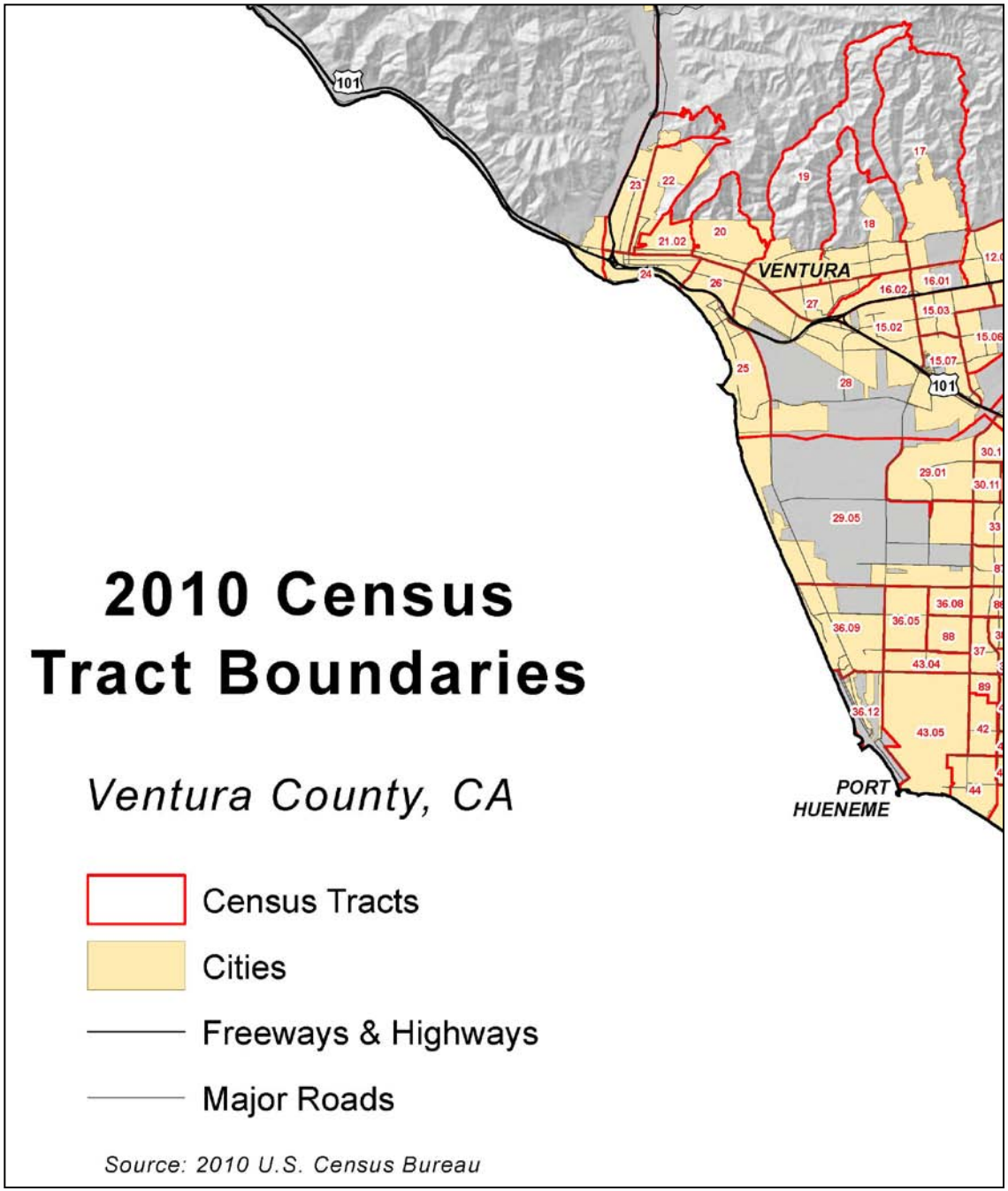
4.2 Water Budget

4.3 Safe Yield

M&I (or Urban) Demand

Source/Location	Amount (AF)	Note
Casitas Municipal Water District	9,674	Metered
Golden State Water Company	1,741	Metered
City of Ventura	2,507	Metered (Pro-rated)
Upper & Lower Ventura Basins	8,657	Metered / Modeled
Upper Ojai Basin	11	Single Report
Total	22,591	

Ventura City Water in the Watershed



Agricultural Demand

Source/Location	Amount (AF)	Note
Casitas Municipal Water District	6,398	Metered
Golden State Water Company	0	
City of Ventura	0	
Upper and Lower Ventura Basins	2,420	Estimated
Ojai Basin	3,229	Reported
Upper Ojai Basin	-	Not Reported
Total	12,047	

Total Demand

Source/Location	M&I (AF)	Agricultural (AF)
Casitas Municipal Water District	9,674	6,398
Golden State Water Company	1,741	0
City of Ventura	2,507	0
Upper & Lower Ventura Basins	8,657	2,420
Ojai Basin	0	3,229
Upper Ojai Basin	11	-
Subtotals	22,591	12,047
Total Demand	34,638	

Water Budget

- Sum of all inflows and outflows
- Surface water and groundwater
- Water budget was developed for HSPF model

Availability of Water Budget Data

Inflows			
Surface Water		Groundwater	
Total Precipitation		Inflow from Precipitation	
Surface Runoff		Inflow from Irrigation	
M&I Return Flow		Inflow from Rivers, Lakes & Septics	
Groundwater Accretions		Surface Water Accretions	
Outflows			
Agricultural Diversions		Agricultural Pumping	
M&I Diversions		M&I Pumping	
Evapotranspiration		Evapotranspiration-Riparian	
Outflow to Ocean		Outflow to Ocean	
		Outflow to Surface Water	

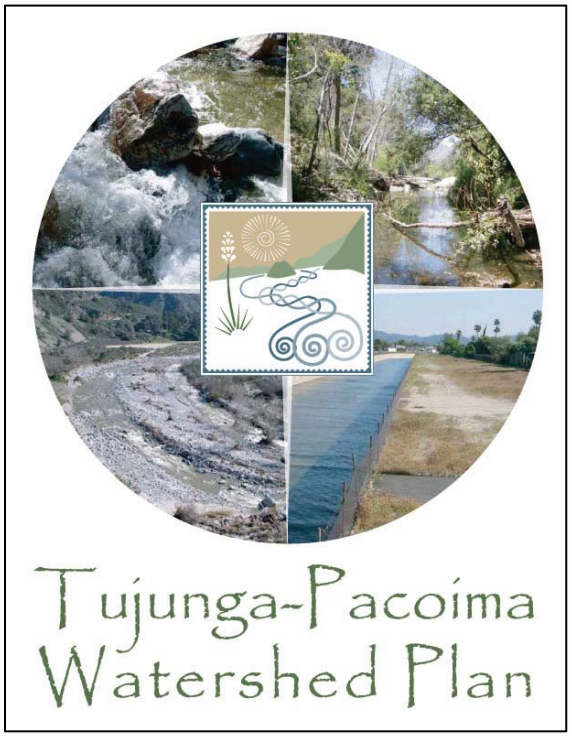
Other Watershed Plans

5.1 Identification of Applicable Plans

5.2 Review of Plans

- Ballona Creek
- Tujunga-Pacoima
- Calleguas Creek

5.3 Lessons Learned



Lessons Learned

- Identify the audience
- Keep stakeholders engaged
- State clear goals and objectives
- Know which issues are not being addressed
- Provide guidance for policy recommendations
- Work with regulatory programs
- Define a clear process for project prioritization
- Identify how to measure plan implementation

Data Gaps & Recommendations

5.1 HSPF (Runoff) Model

- Improved surface water data
- Model enhancements
- Groundwater model, linked to surface model

5.2 Groundwater Budget

- Model & improved groundwater data

5.3 Other Data Gaps

- Agricultural pumping
- Groundwater: Ojai and Upper Ojai
- Habitat: Aquatic and Terrestrial

Applicable BMPs

5.1 Water Quality

- Stormwater Technical Guidance Manual

5.2 Water Supply

- CA Urban Water Conservation Council

5.3 Habitat

- Land Use Policies
- Site Planning
- Los Padres Forest Management Plan
- Construction and Maintenance Activities in Riverine and Riparian Areas
- Steelhead Recovery Plan Guidance

Recommended Actions*

8.1 Watershed Management Plan

8.2 Stakeholder Involvement

8.3 Watershed Coordinator

8.4 Data Gaps

- Groundwater Model

8.5 Groundwater Management Plan

8.6 Water Budget

* To improve Water Sustainability & Ecosystem Functions

Recommended Actions

8.2 Stakeholder Involvement

- Continue Watershed Council meetings
- Upgrade and maintain webpage
- Publicize “watershed-friendly” events

Recommended Actions

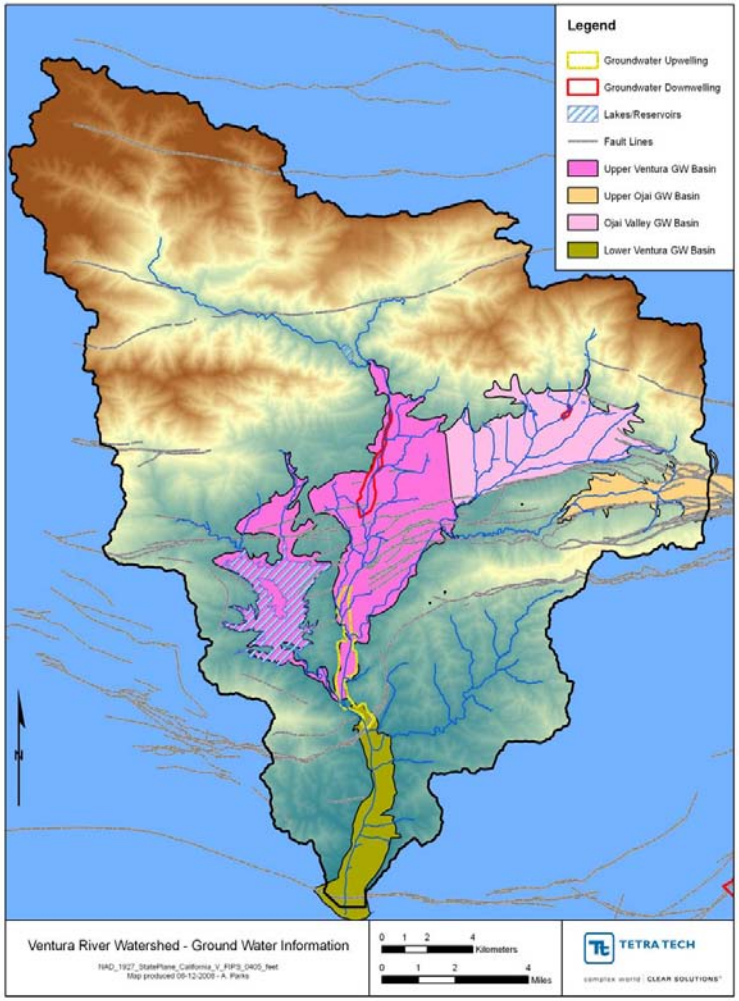
8.3 Watershed Coordinator

- Secure future funding
- Maintain watershed focus?

Recommended Actions

8.5 Ventura River Groundwater Management Plan

- VRWC should discuss DBS&A recommendations, including pros and cons of “sponsoring” the management plan



Recommended Actions

8.6 Water Budget

- Technical advisory group should develop a scope of work, including an improved estimate of Water Demand

Next Steps

- Receipt of Written Comments:
  ASAP, but no later than January 13th
  Email to: mark.horne@cardno.com

- Final Report: January 20th

Questions or Comments?