

Chico District Conservation Master Plan: 2011 - 2015

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List of Acronyms/Abbreviations

AF	Acre-Feet
AFY	Acre-feet Per Year
BCR	Benefit-Cost Ratio
BMP	Best Management Practice, as in MOU Conservation BMPs
Cal Water	California Water Service Company
CII	Commercial, Industrial, Institutional
Comm	Commercial
Cont	Contractor
CPUC	California Public Utilities Commission
Cust	Customer
CUWCC	California Urban Water Conservation Council
CW	Clothes Washer
Dist	Distributor
DWR	California Department of Water Resources
ETo	Reference Evapotranspiration
GPCD	Gallons Per Capita Per Day
GPM	Gallons Per Minute
GRC	General Rate Case
HE	High-Efficiency, as in HE Toilets
HECW	High-Efficiency Clothes Washer
HET	High-Efficiency Toilet
HR	Hydrologic Region
Inc	Incentive
Irrig or Irr	Irrigation
Lg	Large, as in Large Landscape Survey
Lndscp	Landscape
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Urban Water Conservation in California
NAICS	North American Industrial Classification System
Reb	Rebate
SBx7-7	Senate Bill 7 (Steinberg), The Water Conservation Act of 2009
SWP	State Water Project
ULFT	Ultra Low Flush Toilet
UWMP	Urban Water Management Plan
UWMPA	Urban Water Management Planning Act
WBIC	Weather-Based Irrigation Controller (also called “Smart Controllers”)
WSS	WaterSense Specification

Executive Summary

ES-1 Introduction

California Water Service Company (Cal Water) is in the process of expanding current conservation programs and developing new programs for its 24 service districts. Over the next five years, Cal Water conservation program expenditures are likely to increase significantly due in large measure to recently adopted state policies requiring significant future reductions in per capita urban water use. These include the passage of Senate Bill No. 7 (SBx7-7) in November 2009, which mandated a statewide 20% reduction in per capita urban water use by 2020, as well as recent decisions by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) directing Class A and B water utilities to adopt conservation programs and rate structures designed to achieve reductions in per capita water use, and the *Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Urban Water Conservation in California* (MOU), of which Cal Water has been a signatory since 1991.

Aside from these mandates, conservation will also help the Chico District improve the long-term reliability of district water supply.

In preparing for this program expansion, Cal Water has spent the past year developing five-year conservation program plans for each of its service districts. Each district plan was developed with the following questions in mind:

- How much water conservation will each district need to implement in order to comply with state urban per capita water use targets?
- How much of this conservation requirement can be met by existing water efficiency codes and ordinances, scheduled increases in water rates, and past investment in conservation programs?
- How much of this conservation requirement will need to be met through new investments in conservation?
- Which water conservation programs at what levels of activity result in the most benefit to Cal Water ratepayers?
- Should existing programs be expanded, new programs developed, or both?
- How can conservation be used to help address local water supply constraints?
- How many conservation programs can Cal Water reasonably expect to operate given the geographic dispersion of its districts, and staffing and

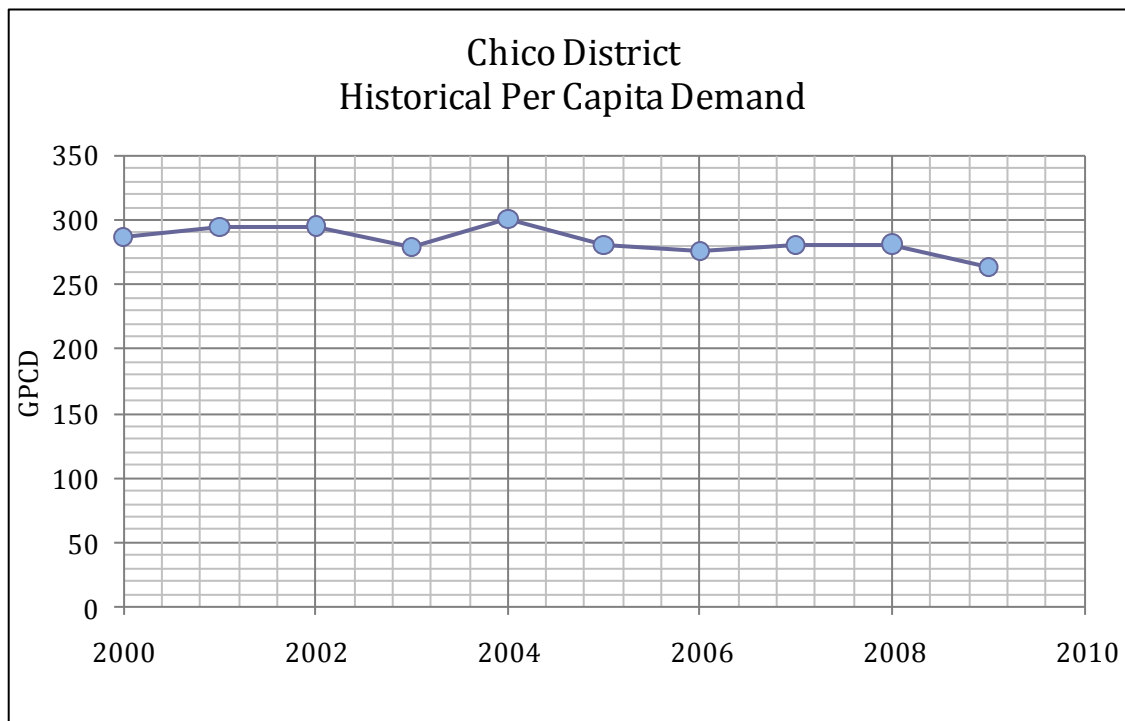
budgetary constraints?

- How can regional partnerships be leveraged to more efficiently achieve a district's water conservation targets?

ES-2 Baseline Per-Capita Demand

The determination of the required future demand reductions must begin with a clear understanding of past and current per-capita demands. In the last five years, per capita demand (Figure ES-1), has averaged 276 gallons per day. Per capita water use in the district is about 9% greater than average per capita use in the Sacramento River hydrologic region, which the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) estimated at about 253 gallons per day. Assuming that future per-capita demand stays at this level, total future demand will grow at the rate of population growth -- forecast to be about 1.6% annually over the next decade.

Figure ES-1. Chico District Historical Per Capita Demand



ES-3 Demand-Reduction Targets

The two statewide policies that result in quantified future demand reduction targets are those of SBx7-7 and the MOU. Following are brief discussions of each of these requirements.

ES-3.1 SBx7-7 Requirements

Senate Bill 7 (SBx7-7), which was signed into law in November 2009, amended the State Water Code to require a 20% reduction in urban per capita water use by 2020. Commonly known as the 20x2020 policy, the new requirements apply to every retail urban water supplier subject to the Urban Water Management Planning Act (UWMPA).

SBx7-7 requires the state to achieve a 20% reduction in urban per capita water use by December 31, 2020. The state is required to make incremental progress toward this goal by reducing per capita water use by at least 10% on or before December 31, 2015. SBx7-7 requires each urban retail water supplier to develop interim and 2020 urban water use targets in accordance with specific requirements. They will not be eligible for state water grants or loans unless they comply with those requirements.

The law provides each water utility several ways to calculate its interim 2015 and ultimate 2020 water reduction targets. In addition, water suppliers are permitted to form regional alliances and set regional targets for purposes of compliance. Under the regional compliance approach, water suppliers within the same hydrologic region can comply with SBx7-7 by either meeting their individual target or being part of a regional alliance that meets its regional target. Cal Water districts sorted by hydrologic region are shown in Table ES-1.

Table ES-1. Cal Water Districts Sorted by Hydrologic Region

Hydrologic Region	Cal Water Districts in Region
North Coast	Redwood Valley
San Francisco Bay Area	Bear Gulch, Livermore, Los Altos, Mid-Peninsula, South San Francisco
Central Coast	King City, Salinas
South Coast	Dominguez, East LA, Hermosa-Redondo, Palos Verdes, Westlake
Sacramento River	Chico , Dixon, Marysville, Oroville, Willows
San Joaquin	Stockton
Tulare Lake	Bakersfield, Kern River Valley, Selma, Visalia
North Lahontan	None
South Lahontan	Antelope Valley
Colorado River	None

Cal Water's SBx7-7 compliance strategy involves:

1. Identifying for each district the largest allowable interim and 2020 GPCD targets under the relevant compliance methods allowed by the statute;
2. Grouping districts by hydrologic region and calculating population-weighted regional targets where applicable; and

3. Developing conservation programs aimed at achieving the regional and/or district-specific targets.

As shown in Table ES-1, the Chico District is part of the Sacramento River hydrologic region, along with Dixon, Marysville, Oroville, and Willows districts. Under SBx7-7, these five districts, in addition to developing their district-specific per capita demand targets, can form a regional alliance and define regional 2015 and 2020 compliance targets. The regional compliance option provides added assurance that Chico District can comply with SBx7-7 requirements in 2015.

ES-3.2 MOU Requirements

Administered by the California Urban Water Conservation Council (CUWCC), the *Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Urban Water Conservation in California* (MOU) has guided urban water conservation programs in California since it was first adopted in 1991. There are three ways in which a water supplier can comply with the MOU. The first way is to implement a set of water conservation best management practices (BMPs) according to the requirements and schedules set forth in Exhibit 1 of the MOU. The second way, called Flex Track compliance, is to implement conservation programs expected to save an equivalent or greater volume of water than the BMPs. The third way, similar to SBx7-7, is to reduce per capita water use. Because the Flex Track compliance option affords the most flexibility in selecting conservation programs suited to each Cal Water district and allows for more streamlined reporting, Cal Water plans to use Flex Track to comply with the MOU. Because CUWCC tools for calculating a district's Flex Track savings target are not yet available, Cal Water developed its own target estimates for planning purposes.

ES-3.3 SBx7-7 Per Capita Targets

District-specific and regional targets for Cal Water districts within the Sacramento River hydrologic region are shown in Table ES-2.¹ The 2015 and 2020 district-specific targets for Chico District are 257 and 229 gpcd, respectively. Over the last five years district demand has averaged about 276 gpcd. Thus, per capita demand needs to fall by about 7% by 2015 and by about 17% by 2020 in order for Chico District to meet its district-specific targets. Alternatively, demand for the five Cal Water districts within the Sacramento River hydrologic region can average no more than 250 gpcd in 2015 and 223 gpcd in 2020.

¹ District-specific targets are based either on Method 1 or Method 3, as defined in SBx7-7, whichever yielded the highest per capita target for the district.

Table ES-2. Regional SBx7-7 Targets for Cal Water Districts in Sac. River HR

District	Population	2015 Target (GPCD)	2020 Target (GPCD)
Chico	99,630	257	229
Dixon	8,840	168	164
Marysville	12,285	225	200
Oroville	9,620	301	268
Willows	7,130	223	198
Regional Targets¹		250	223

¹ Regional targets are the population-weighted average of the district targets.

ES-3.4 Gross and Net Savings Requirements

Table ES-3 shows the gross savings required under SBx7-7 and MOU Flex Track compliance. These, however, do not reflect the savings that are required to be achieved from new conservation programming, which are net of the expected savings from water efficiency codes, expected future rate adjustments, conversion of flat-rate customers to metered billing, and already-existing conservation programs. The impacts of these savings components are shown in Table ES-4. In the case of SBx7-7, an additional 425 AF of savings is needed for SBx7-7 compliance in 2015. About 16 AF of savings are projected in 2015 from 2009-10 BMP implementation, 13 AF more than needed for MOU Flex Track compliance. Thus, no additional conservation is needed for MOU compliance.

Between 2015 and 2020 Chico District will need to reduce per capita demand by an additional 11% in order to meet its 2020 district-specific target. This will require a significant ramping up of conservation programming. The conservation program recommendations contained in this plan are intended to both satisfy 2015 requirements and initiate this ramp up.

Table ES-3. Chico District Gross Savings Required for SBx7-7 and MOU Compliance

Gross Water Savings Required by 2015	SBx7-7	MOU Flex Track
2015 Unadjusted Baseline Demand	34,488 AF	34,488 AF
2015 Target Demand	32,086 AF	34,485 AF
Gross Savings Requirement	2,402 AF	3 AF

Table ES-4. Chico District New Program Savings Required for SBx7-7 and MOU Compliance

2015 Net Savings Requirement (AF)	SBx7-7	MOU Flex Track
Gross Savings Requirement	2,402	3
Less		
Savings from codes	192	NA
Savings from rates	170	NA
Savings from existing programs and metering	<u>1,615</u>	<u>16</u>
<i>Subtotal Expected Savings</i>	<i>1,977</i>	<i>16</i>
Savings Required from New Programs¹	425	-13
¹ Negative net savings indicates that no new program savings required for compliance		

ES-4 Conservation Program Analysis

As a result of an exhaustive search of the literature, consultation with experts in the field, knowledge of conservation programming by other water suppliers, and the experience of the project team, a universe of more than 75 conservation program concepts was defined. At this point in the process, the goal was to be as inclusive as possible. The list was therefore intentionally large to ensure that all possible program concepts were considered. Cal Water did not want to risk inadvertently excluding a program from consideration.

For the purposes of this plan, a conservation program concept is comprised of two components:

- Targeted technologies or changes in customer behavior; and
- A delivery mechanism by which customers will be encouraged (or required) to adopt the technology(ies) or change their behavior.

Each program may apply to multiple customer classes (Single Family, Multi-Family, Commercial/ Industrial/Institutional, and Large Landscape).

Once the universe of program concepts was defined, the next step was to subject each program concept to a careful district-specific qualitative screen, the objective of which was to eliminate those program concepts that were clearly inappropriate. For this purpose, six screening criteria were developed. For each program concept, Cal Water staff answered “yes” or “no” for each of these criteria. A “yes” answer on all of these criteria was considered to be essential for program success. Thus, a negative response to any one of the criteria for a particular program concept

eliminated that concept from further consideration. Once Cal Water had completed the initial qualitative screen, it provided the results to local community leaders to solicit feedback on conservation program concepts for the district.

The final set of programs passing the qualitative screen for Chico District is shown in Table ES-5.

Table ES-5. Chico District Program Concepts Passing Qualitative Screen

Technology/Intervention	Delivery Mechanism	CUSTOMER CLASS			
		Single Family	Multi-Family	CII	Lg Lndscp
INDOOR					
HE Toilets	Customer rebates or vouchers	x	x	x	
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x	
	Distribution (by utility, community group, vendor)	x	x	x	
	Direct install	x	x	x	
Urinals	Customer rebates or vouchers			x	
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives			x	
	Distribution (by utility or vendor)			x	
	Valve replacement			x	
Clotheswashers: in-unit, common area, & coin-op	Customer rebates & vouchers	x	x	x	
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x	
Industrial laundries	Audits			x	
	Customized incentives			x	
Showerhead (2.0, 1.5 gpm)/ flapper/aerators	Kit distribution or install	x	x		
Shower timers, Reminder cards	Distribution	x	x		
Cooling Towers	Customer rebates, customized incentives			x	
Food Steamers	Customer rebates			x	
Ice Machines	Customer rebates			x	
Steam Sterilizers	Customer rebates			x	
Vacuum Pumps	Customer rebates			x	
Car Washes	Customer rebates			x	
	Audits			x	
Spray valves	Customer rebates			x	
	Audits			x	
X Ray film & photo processors	Customer rebates			x	
Industrial process	Audits & incentives			x	
OUTDOOR					
Large Landscape Surveys					x
WBIC	Direct Install	x	x	x	x
	Customer rebate	x	x	x	x
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x	x
	Distribution	x	x	x	x
Irrigation System (including, but not	Customer rebate	x	x	x	x

Technology/Intervention	Delivery Mechanism	CUSTOMER CLASS			
		Single Family	Multi-Family	CII	Lg Lndscp
limited to, high efficiency nozzles for pop-up heads, drip, soil moisture sensors, rain shut off, pressure control)	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x	x
Landscape design	Customer rebate	x	x	x	x
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x	x
Turf buy back (Cash for Grass)	Customer rebate	x	x	x	x
Large Landscape Water Use Reports					x
Pool, hot tub covers & other upgrades	Customer rebate or voucher	x	x	x	
GENERAL					
Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)		x	x	x	x
Water use meter alerting device		x	x	x	
Water recycling, grey water use, rainwater harvesting	Customized incentives	x	x	x	
New construction guidelines		x	x	x	
New const conservation offsets		x	x	x	
Education/outreach		x	x	x	x

The savings and cost parameters associated with each of these program concepts were identified and each program concept was subjected to a preliminary quantitative analysis to help Cal Water distinguish between core and non-core programs. A key challenge facing Cal Water is finding a way to efficiently scale up conservation programming across its 24 districts with the limited staffing it has to implement and manage these programs. The current General Rate Case (GRC) decision authorizes 4 full-time conservation program staff for 2011-13. These staff will be responsible for implementing and managing programs in 24 geographically dispersed districts serving a combined population of over 1.7 million.²

Even with the added staffing beginning in 2014 that Cal Water intends to propose to the CPUC, the most efficient way for Cal Water to manage programs across its geographically dispersed districts is to standardize programs and centralize their implementation and oversight. Using the results of the qualitative screening and the preliminary quantitative analysis, Cal Water identified five core programs that it would run in every district over the next five years.

In addition to the core programs, an additional set of non-core programs was selected. Unlike core programs, Cal Water may not offer non-core programs in every district or in every year. Implementation of non-core programs will depend on whether additional water savings are required for SBx7-7 or MOU compliance, or to help address local supply constraints.

² By way of comparison, the East Bay Municipal Utility District has a conservation program staff of 21 full-time positions serving a population of 1.3 million within a geographically contiguous and compact service area.

The set of core and non-core programs that Cal Water will offer over the next five years is shown in Table ES-6.

A detailed benefit-cost analysis was then performed for all of the core and non-core programs, the results of which are shown in Table ES-7.

ES-5 Portfolio Development

The program analysis results described above provided the starting point for portfolio development. The next step was to determine the annual levels of program activity needed to, at minimum, meet Chico District's water savings targets. Several considerations informed these decisions, including budgetary constraints included in the current GRC decision, Cal Water conservation program administrative capacity, program market and water savings potential, and the program benefit-cost results shown in Table ES-7.

Cal Water's current GRC decision established conservation budgets for each district for the years 2011-2013. These budgets specify the total annual expenditure on conservation programs, as well as the maximum amount that can be allocated to (1) program administration and research, (2) public information and school education programs, (3) residential conservation programs, and (4) non-residential conservation programs. Table ES-8 shows these budgetary restrictions for Chico District.

Table ES-6. Cal Water Conservation Programs

Program Name	Description	Target Market
CORE PROGRAMS		
Rebate/Vouchers for toilets, urinals, and clothes washers	Provide customer rebates for high-efficiency toilets, urinals, and clothes washers	All customer segments
Residential Surveys	Provide residential surveys to low-income customers, high-bill customers, and upon customer request or as pre-screen for participation in direct install programs	All residential market segments
Residential Showerhead/Water Conservation Kit Distribution	Provide residential showerhead/water conservation kits to customers upon request, as part of residential surveys, and as part of school education curriculum	All residential market segments
Pop-Up Nozzle Irrigation System Distribution	Offer high-efficiency pop-up irrigation nozzles through customer vouchers or direct install.	All customer segments
Public Information/Education	Provide conservation messaging via radio, bill inserts, direct mail, and other appropriate methods. Provide schools with age appropriate educational materials and activities. Continue sponsorship of Disney Planet Challenge program.	All customer segments
NON-CORE PROGRAMS		
Toilet/Urinal Direct Install Program	Offer direct installation programs for replacement of non-HE toilets and urinals	All customer segments
Smart Irrigation Controller Contractor Incentives	Offer contractor incentives for installation of smart irrigation controllers	All customer segments
Large Landscape Water Use Reports	Expand existing Cal Water Large Landscape Water Use Report Program providing large landscape customers with monthly water use reports and budgets	Non residential customers with significant landscape water use and potential savings
Large Landscape Surveys & Irrigation System Incentives	Provide surveys and irrigation system upgrade financial incentives to large landscape customers participating in the Large Landscape Water Use Reports programs and other targeted customers	Non residential customers with significant landscape water use and potential savings
Food Industry Rebates/Vouchers	Offer customer/dealer/distributor rebates/vouchers for high-efficiency dishwashers, food steamers, ice machines, and pre-rinse spray valves	Food and drink establishments, institutional food service providers
Cooling Tower Retrofits	Offer customer/dealer/distributor rebates/vouchers of cooling tower retrofits	Non-residential market segments with significant HVAC water use
Industrial Process Audits and Retrofit Incentives	Offer engineering audits/surveys and financial incentives for process water efficiency improvement	Non-residential market segments with significant industrial process water uses

Table ES-7. Chico District Core and Non-Core Program Benefit-Cost Ratios

Program ID	Program Name	Customer Class	BCR
1	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Single Family	0.39
2	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Multi Family	0.75
3	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Commercial	0.25
4	Clotheswasher: Cust Reb or Voucher	Single Family	0.13
5	CW common: Cust Reb or Voucher	Multi Family	0.13
6	CW in-unit: Cust Reb or Voucher	Multi Family	0.09
7	CW coin-op: Cust Reb or Voucher	Commercial	0.16
8	Urinals (0.25 gpf): Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Commercial	0.16
9	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Single Family	0.17
10	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Multi Family	0.44
11	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Commercial	0.15
12	Urinals: Direct Install	Commercial	0.17
13	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Single Family	0.08
14	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Multi Family	0.13
15	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Commercial	0.13
16	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Single Family	0.55
17	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Multi Family	0.55
18	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Commercial	0.55
19	Showerhead/Aerator,Tablet Kit Dist	Single Family	0.15
20	Showerhead/Aerator,Tablet Kit Dist	Multi Family	0.15
21	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Single Family	0.13
22	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Multi Family	0.26
23	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Commercial	0.21
24	Large Landscape Water Use Reports	Irrigation	0.10
25	Lg Lndscp Surveys & Irrig Sys: Rebates	Irrigation	0.13
26	Comm Irrigation System: Rebates	Commercial	0.64
27	Dishwashers: Vendor, Dist & Cont Inc	Commercial	1.62
28	Food Steamers: Cust Rebates	Commercial	0.16
29	Ice Machines: Cust Rebates	Commercial	0.63
30	Pre-Rinse Spray Valves: Cust rebates	Commercial	0.46
31	Cooling Tower Cond Cont: Cust Reb, Inc	Industrial	0.34
32	Cooling Tower pH Cont: Cust Reb, Inc	Industrial	0.35
33	Industrial Process: Audits & Incentives	Industrial	0.26

Table ES-8. Chico District GRC Conservation Program Expenditure Constraints

Budget Constraint (\$000)	2011	2012	2013
Overall Budget	\$250.0	\$250.0	\$250.0
Admin & Research	\$31.0	\$31.0	\$31.0
Public Info & School Educ.	\$50.0	\$50.0	\$50.0
Programmatic Activity	\$169.0	\$169.0	\$169.0
Expenditure Caps			
Residential Programs	\$215.4	\$215.4	\$215.4
Non Residential Programs	\$139.9	\$139.9	\$139.9

For each district, Cal Water then specified minimum and maximum program activity levels to guide portfolio development. The minimum levels were those below which it would not be administratively feasible or cost-effective to offer the program in the district, while the maximum levels were those that could reasonably be achieved given district customer characteristics, current market demand, and past experience marketing similar programs/technologies to district customers. The constraints placed on annual program activity levels are presented in Appendix 2.

Based on the foregoing, Table ES-9 shows the recommended annual program levels for residential and non-residential programs. The program levels were derived from the following decision rules:

- For 2011-13, set annual program activity to maximize water savings subject to the GRC conservation program budget constraints and the min/max annual activity constraints. This ensured that the portfolio would reflect the least-cost mix of core and non-core conservation programs consistent with the GRC budget constraints.
- For 2014-15, set annual activity to minimum program levels. For programs with BCRs greater than one, increase activity to its maximum level. This ensured that the portfolio would benefit ratepayers by helping to lower average water supply costs.
- For 2014-15, if needed to satisfy the 2015 district-specific SBx7-7 and MOU Flex Track water savings targets, increase program activity of programs with BCRs less than one in order of cost-effectiveness. This ensured the least-cost set of activity levels needed to achieve the water savings targets.

In Chico District's case, it was necessary to expand bathroom fixture rebate and direct installation programs as well as large landscape surveys/incentives in 2014-15 in order to meet the district-specific SBx7-7 target in 2015.

Table ES-9. Chico District Recommended Residential and Non-Residential Program Levels

Program	Recommended Annual Activity Levels ¹				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
CORE PROGRAMS					
Rebates/Vouchers					
Toilets	150	190	190	350	430
Clothes Washers	90	90	90	90	90
Urinals	0	0	0	0	0
Customer Surveys/Audits	120	120	120	140	140
Conservation Kit Distribution	450	450	450	450	450
Pop-Up Nozzle Distribution	9,300	9,300	9,300	9,300	9,300
NON-CORE PROGRAMS					
Direct Install Toilets/Urinals	130	130	130	600	600
Smart Irr. Controller Vendor Incentives	10	10	10	10	10
Large Landscape Water Use Reports	50	50	50	90	90
Large Landscape Surveys/Incentives	20	10	10	60	60
Commercial Kitchen Rebates/Vouchers	0	0	0	50	50
Cooling Tower/Process Water Retrofit Incentives	0	0	0	0	0
¹ Annual activity levels are aggregated across customer classes and rounded up to the nearest 10 units of activity. Appendix 2 contains the detail modeling results broken down by customer class and program measure.					

ES-6 Required Staffing and Expenditure Levels

ES-6.1 Administration and Research

District staff levels and expenditure for administration and research for 2011-13 are set by the current GRC. At present, Cal Water divides its 24 districts into two program management regions which are administered by its two conservation program coordinators. Program reporting and analysis will be conducted by its conservation program analyst. Proposed expenditures for 2014 and 2015 assume two additional conservation program coordinator positions and one additional conservation analyst position for a total of seven full-time positions. Given the scale and diversity of programs proposed in this plan and the geographic dispersion of Cal Water's districts, this is the minimum staffing level recommended for program implementation, and assumes Cal Water will divide its 24 districts into four program management regions. Program administration costs for 2014-15 are prorated to the districts based on their share of company-wide conservation program expenditures.

ES-6.2 Public Information and School Education

District expenditure for public information and school education programs in 2011-13 is set by the current GRC. Recommended expenditures in 2014 and 2015 were

set to allow some expansion in these programs to support proposed increases in residential and non-residential program levels.

ES-6.3 Cost Summary

Annual program expenditures for conservation programming, administration and research, and public information and education, based on the recommended program levels and GRC budget allocations are shown in Table ES-10. The plan allocates approximately 74% of projected expenditure to programmatic activity, 17% to public information and education functions, and 9% to program administration and research functions. Within the programmatic expenditure category, 73% of expenditure is for residential programs and 27% is for non-residential programs.

Proposed expenditures in 2014 and 2015 are almost twice the annual program expenditure allowed under the current GRC. The increase in program expenditure is needed for the district to meet its 2015 SBx7-7 target.

Table ES-10. Chico District Projected Annual Conservation Expenditures

Expenditure Category	Projected Annual Expenditures (\$000)				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Program Costs:					
Residential	\$118.9	\$122.8	\$122.8	\$278.7	\$290.5
Non-Residential	\$50.1	\$46.2	\$46.2	\$99.5	\$99.5
Program Subtotal	\$169.0	\$169.0	\$169.0	\$378.2	\$390.0
Admin/Research	\$31.0	\$31.0	\$31.0	\$28.8	\$37.6
Public Info/Education	\$50.0	\$50.0	\$50.0	\$67.6	\$67.6
TOTAL ANNUAL	\$250.0	\$250.0	\$250.0	\$474.6	\$495.2

ES-6.4 Expected Savings

Table ES-11 summarizes projected annual water savings by customer class. By 2015 projected water savings are approximately 425 AF. Programs impacting residential water demands account for 78% of these savings, while programs impacting commercial, industrial, and irrigation demands account for 22%.

Table ES-11. Chico District Projected Water Savings by Customer Class

Customer Class	Annual Water Savings (AF)				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Single Family	41.2	81.3	120.2	158.2	197.5
Multi Family	11.7	24.4	36.7	86.1	133.4
Commercial/Industrial	10.3	19.1	27.7	54.3	80.6
Irrigation	4.9	5.5	6.2	11.7	13.1
Total Water Savings	68.1	130.4	190.9	310.3	424.5

Table ES-12 compares per capita water use under the recommended portfolio to per capita use under the adjusted baseline and SBx7-7 target. Per capita use under the recommended portfolio is 257 gpcd, which is just sufficient to meet the district-specific 2015 SBx7-7 target. Under this portfolio, per capita demand will need to decrease an additional 11% between 2015 and 2020 in order to meet the 2020 SBx7-7 per capita target.

Table ES-13 shows projected 2015 per capita demands for each of the five districts based on the conservation plans being proposed for each district. Assuming each district's 2015 per capita demand is no greater than shown in the table, average per capita demand for the five districts would meet the regional target and all five districts would be in compliance with SBx7-7 requirements.

Table ES-12. Chico District Recommended Portfolio Projected 2015 Demand

Demand Projection	Demand (GPCD)	Difference from Adjusted Baseline (GPCD)
Adjusted Baseline	261	
SBx7-7 Target	257	-3
Recommended Portfolio	257	-3

Table ES-13. Sac. River Regional Alliance 2015 Average Per Capita Demand

District	2015 Projected Population	2015 Projected Demand (GPCD)
Chico	111,410	257
Dixon	9,620	154
Marysville	12,553	186
Oroville	10,020	309
Willows	7,290	221
Average GPCD¹		246
Regional Target		250

¹Population-weighted average per capita demand.

ES-7 Plan Monitoring and Updates

Cal Water will need to regularly review the plan and make adjustments to it as appropriate. Key monitoring and updating activities Cal Water anticipates undertaking following plan implementation include:

- Cal Water will assess and adopt conservation program tracking software to be used to track and manage its core and non-core programs.

- Cal Water will submit its initial filing for the 2014-16 GRC in July 2012. Prior to that filing, Cal Water may elect to update this plan to reflect new information and changed circumstances affecting the baseline water demands, calculated water savings targets, recommended conservation programs, projected water savings, and proposed conservation program budgets.
- Cal Water may, in conjunction with preparation of its 2015 Urban Water Management Plans, elect to update its baseline demand estimates and gpcd targets, if new information warrants doing so. Depending on the final methodology adopted by DWR for the as-yet unspecified fourth target calculation option, Cal Water may decide to update the SBx7-7 targets included in the plan using this alternative methodology.
- Cal Water may elect to update this plan to reflect a revised Flex Track target based on a CUWCC-sanctioned Flex Track target calculator, expected to be available in the first half of 2011.
- Results from studies, such as the one Cal Water and San Jose State University Research Foundation are jointly undertaking to better estimate realized water savings from converting customers from flat rate to metered billing, will be used by Cal Water to update the water savings projections contained in this plan.
- Cal Water will work with local planning and enforcement departments to ensure that its conservation programs are consistent with and complementary to local water use codes and ordinances, and may elect to modify the design or level of implementation of programs included in the plan in order to do so.
- Cal Water plans to update these plans no less frequently than every five years, in conjunction with the update and reporting cycle for the district-specific UWMPs. Plan updates may entail adjustment of existing programs and addition of new programs based on performance history, community input, and changes to state and local conservation requirements.

1 Introduction

1.1 Master Plan Scope and Objectives

California Water Service Company (Cal Water) is in the process of expanding current conservation programs and developing new programs for its 24 service districts. Over the next five years, Cal Water conservation program expenditures are likely to increase significantly. Recently adopted state policies requiring future reductions in per capita urban water use are providing much of the impetus for this effort. Primarily the passage of Senate Bill No. 7 (SBx7-7) in November 2009, which mandated a statewide 20% reduction in per capita urban water use by 2020, but also recent decisions by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) directing Class A and B water utilities to adopt conservation programs and rate structures designed to achieve reductions in per capita water use, and the *Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Urban Water Conservation in California* (MOU), of which Cal Water has been a signatory since 1991. In addition, conservation will help to address local water supply constraints in some districts.

In preparing for this program expansion, Cal Water has spent the past year developing five-year conservation program plans for each of its service districts. Each district plan was developed with the following questions in mind:

- How much water conservation will each district need to implement in order to comply with state urban per capita water use targets?
- How much of this conservation requirement can be met by existing water efficiency codes and ordinances, scheduled increases in water rates, and past investment in conservation programs?
- How much of this conservation requirement will need to be met through new investments in conservation?
- Which water conservation programs at what levels of activity result in the most benefit to Cal Water ratepayers?
- Should existing programs be expanded, new programs developed, or both?
- How can conservation be used to help address local water supply constraints?
- How many conservation programs can Cal Water reasonably expect to operate given the geographic dispersion of its districts, available staffing and budgetary resources?

- How can regional partnerships be leveraged to more efficiently achieve a district's water conservation targets?

The primary objective of this planning process was the development of a set of comprehensive, service-area-specific conservation plans to guide Cal Water conservation program development and investment over the next five years. This report describes the five-year plan developed for the Chico District.

1.2 Plan Development

Plan development proceeded in phases. The first phase focused on compiling data needed for projecting future district water demand, developing per capita water use targets, and analyzing conservation programs. The data collected during this phase is used extensively throughout this report and provides the foundation for the quantitative analyses used to develop the plan's per capita water use targets and conservation program recommendations.

The next phase of plan development centered on estimating the volume of water savings the district would need to achieve over the next five years in order to satisfy SBx7-7 and MOU interim compliance requirements. Once these volumes were determined, expected water savings from existing codes and ordinances, scheduled increases in water rates, and past conservation program activity were deducted in order to determine the amount of water savings that would need to come from new conservation programs.

Using the results of the second phase as a starting point, the third phase of plan development entailed a comprehensive assessment of conservation program concepts to identify the best mix of programs to achieve the required water savings. This included soliciting input on program concepts from community stakeholders, and passing a broad universe of conservation program concepts through qualitative and quantitative screens designed to eliminate program concepts that were not good matches for Cal Water districts. Program concepts making it through the screening process were further refined and used to develop a set of core and non-core conservation programs, where core programs are those that Cal Water will offer in every district over the next five years and non-core programs are those that Cal Water will offer in some districts as needed.

To complete the plan, the recommended annual levels of activity for core and non-core programs were developed for each district. Proposed district program activity levels were informed by several considerations, as follows:

- First, minimum and maximum levels of activity for each district were established, where the minimum level sets the point below which it would not be administratively feasible or cost-effective to offer the program in the district, and the maximum level sets the point above which additional program participation would be highly uncertain given current market

penetration and district experience.

- Second, the current CPUC General Rate Case (GRC) decision for Cal Water establishes each district's conservation budget for 2011-13 as well as the maximum amount of budget each district can allocate to residential and non-residential conservation programs. Thus, the proposed program activity levels are designed so as not to violate these budgetary constraints.
- Third, the proposed program activity levels seek to achieve each district's water use targets at lowest possible cost, subject to the activity level and budgetary constraints described above.
- Lastly, any program with a benefit-cost ratio greater than one was set to its maximum activity level in 2014 and 2015, since doing so would benefit ratepayers by lowering the average cost of water service.³

1.3 Report Organization

The organization of this plan closely follows the analytical process described above, and, in addition to this introduction, includes the following sections:

- *Section 2, District Profile*, provides a general overview of the Chico District, including service area description, historical and projected population and service connections, historical water demand, projected water demand (without additional conservation), future water supply constraints and costs, projected water rates affecting future water use in the district.
- *Section 3, Statewide Urban Water Demand Reduction Policies*, describes the inter-related state-level policies and agreements aimed at reducing urban water use. These include: (1) recent decisions by the CPUC directing Class A and B water utilities to reduce per capita urban water demand; (2) state legislation mandating urban water suppliers to reduce per capita demand 20% by 2020; and (3) the Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Urban Water Conservation in California (MOU).
- *Section 4, Per Capita and MOU Savings Targets*, derives the reduction in demand required by 2015 in order for Chico District to achieve interim compliance with SBx7-7 and the MOU.
- *Section 5, Water Savings Required from New Programs*, calculates the volume of water savings expected from existing water efficiency codes and ordinances, scheduled increases in water rates, and past investment in

³ This could not be done for 2011-13 because of the annual budget constraints resulting from the current General Rate Case (GRC).

conservation programs in order to derive the amount of water savings that will be needed from new conservation program investment.

- *Section 6, Conservation Program Analysis*, describes the conservation program screening and quantitative analysis used to identify, evaluate and select conservation programs for Chico District.
- *Section 7, Portfolio Development*, describes the process used to develop the recommended conservation program portfolio for Chico District.
- *Section 8, Plan Monitoring and Updates*, describes how plan implementation will be monitored, discusses key uncertainties related to plan implementation, realization of projected water savings, and achieving the stated water savings targets, and how the plan will be updated as conditions change and new information on the effectiveness and cost of programs becomes available.

2 District Profile

2.1 Introduction

This part of the plan provides a general overview of the Chico District, including service area description, historical and projected population and service connections, historical water demand, projected water demand (without additional conservation), future water supply constraints and costs, projected water rates affecting future water use in the district.

2.2 Service Area Description

Chico District, which serves the City of Chico and Hamilton City as well as parts of unincorporated Butte County, is located in Butte and Glenn Counties. The district is approximately 80 miles north of the City of Sacramento. The Hamilton City system is a small isolated system located approximately 10 miles west of the City of Chico. There is no hydraulic connection between the two systems. A map of the district's service area is shown in Figure 2-1. The climate for the Chico District is moderate with warm dry summers and cool winters. The majority of precipitation falls during late autumn, winter, and early spring. On average, the district receives about 26 inches of rain a year. Annual evapotranspiration in the district averages 53 inches, which means that most residential and commercial landscapes will not thrive on rainfall alone and must be irrigated.⁴

2.3 Population and Service Connections

The Chico District is a rapidly growing district. Over the last decade, the district's population grew at an annual rate of 1.8%. The district currently serves a population of about 103,000. Population growth is projected to continue grow rapidly over the next ten years. By 2020, the district's population is projected to reach about 121,000. Historical and projected population for the district is shown in Table 2-1.⁵

Chico District primarily serves single-family households, which account for about 85% of total service connections. The distribution of services by customer type for 2009 is shown in Figure 2-2. Projected services through 2020 are shown in Table 2-2. Total services are projected to increase by about 13% over the next 10 years.

⁴ Evapotranspiration is a measure of the amount of water loss due to the combined effects of plant transpiration and evaporation from soil surface.

⁵ The population and service connection projections in this section are based on the draft final projections for the district's 2011 UWMP. Because the final UWMP projections were not available during the development of this plan, the data in this section may differ slightly from the final projections contained in the 2011 UWMP update.

Figure 2-1. Chico District Service Boundary

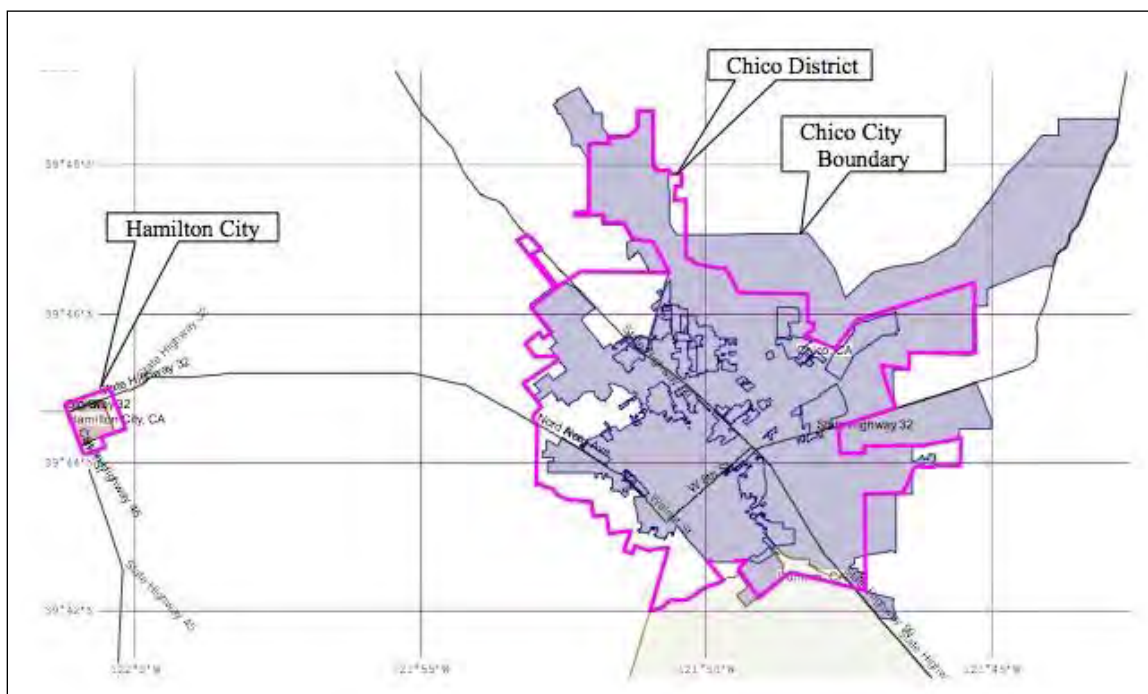


Table 2-1. Chico District Historical and Projected Population

Historical		Projected	
Year	Population	Year	Population
1999	83,000	2010	102,840
2000	85,070	2011	104,500
2001	86,790	2012	106,190
2002	89,680	2013	107,900
2003	91,540	2014	109,640
2004	93,640	2015	111,410
2005	95,350	2016	113,200
2006	96,890	2017	115,020
2007	97,440	2018	116,870
2008	98,310	2019	118,760
2009	99,630	2020	120,670
Av. Ann. Growth Rate	1.8%	Av. Ann. Growth Rate	1.6%

Figure 2-2. Chico District Distribution of Services by Customer Type

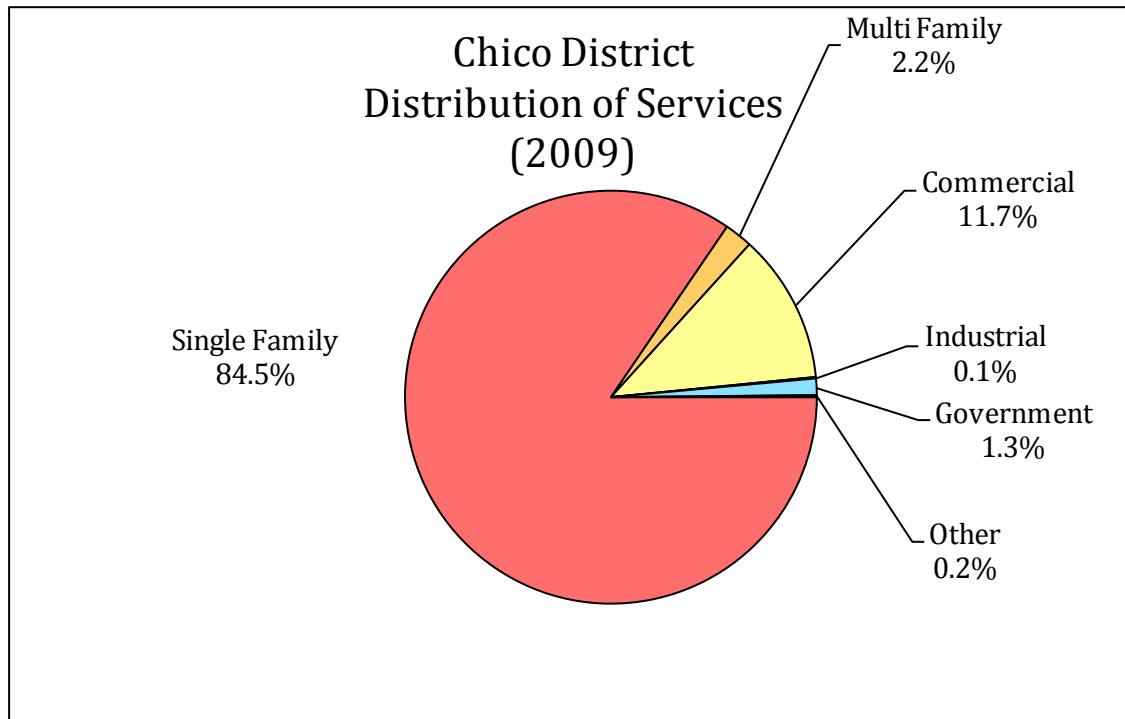


Table 2-2. Chico District Service Connections

Customer Type	Projected Services 2010	Projected Services 2015	Projected Services 2020
Single Family Residential	23,325	25,002	26,799
Multi Family Residential	455	485	518
Commercial	3,234	3,252	3,270
Industrial	37	40	43
Government	351	361	370
Other	53	57	61
Total	27,456	29,197	31,060

2.4 Historical Water Demand

Since 2005, annual demand in the district has averaged about 30,000 AF. Historical demands by category are shown in Figure 2-3. Residential services currently account for about 68% of system demand. Demands from non-residential customer categories account for about 24%, and unaccounted water losses account for the remaining 8%. The percent of total demand in 2009 by type of use is shown in Figure 2-4.

Figure 2-3. Chico District Historical Demand

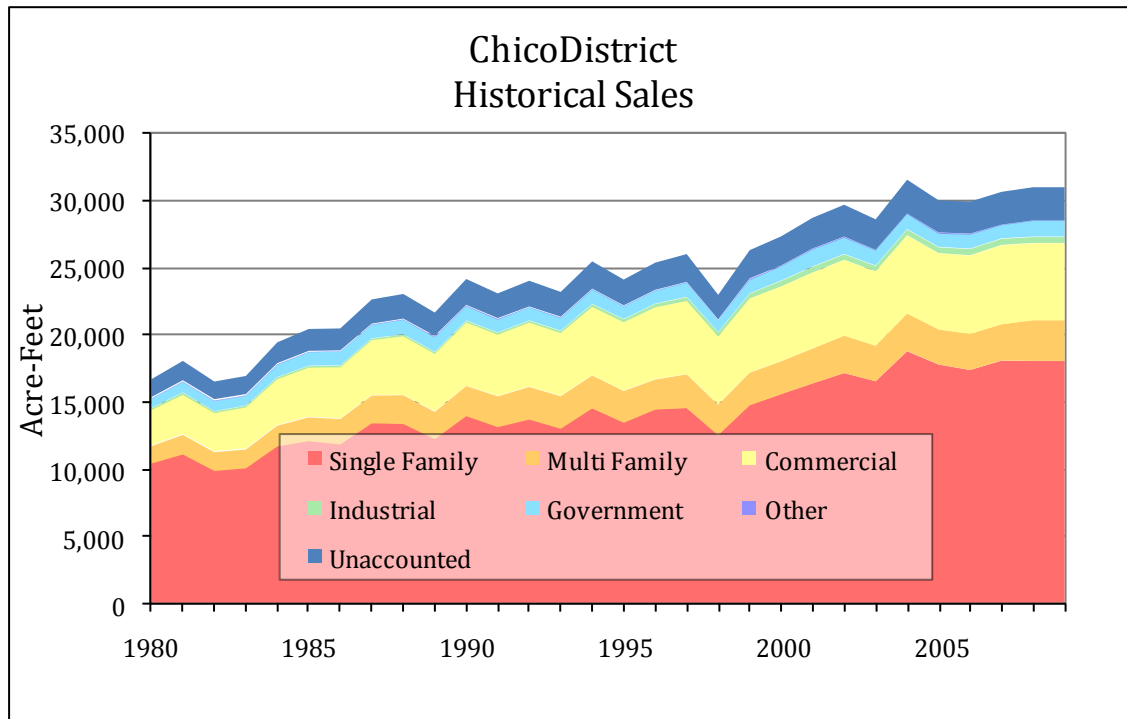
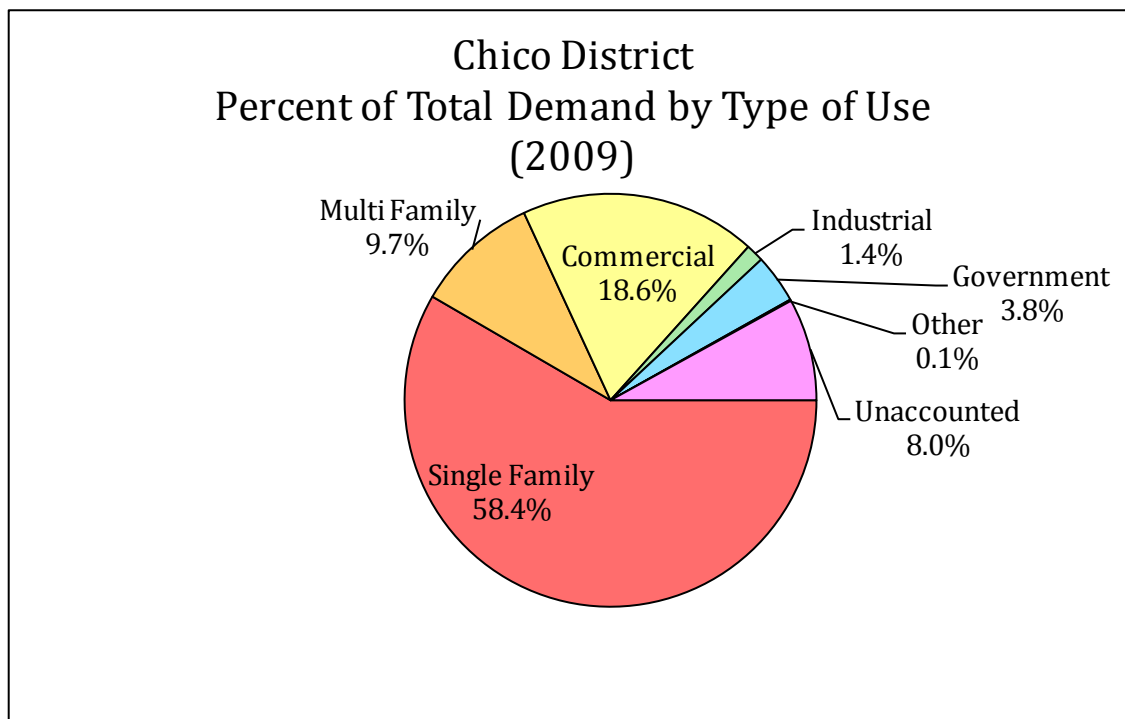
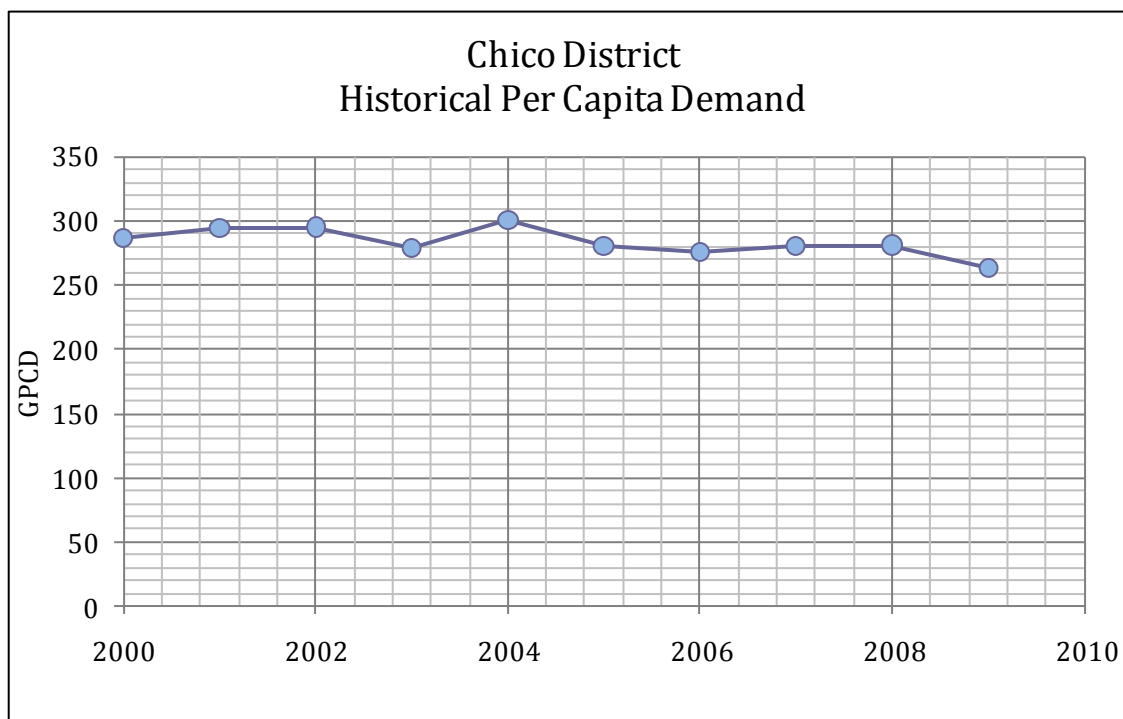


Figure 2-4. Chico District Percent of Total Demand by Type of Use



Historical per capita demand is shown in Figure 2-5.⁶ Over the last decade, per capita demand has fluctuated between 250 and 300 gallons per day. In the last five years, it averaged 276 gallons per day. Per capita water use in the district is about 9% higher than average per capita use in the Sacramento River hydrologic region, which the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) estimated at about 253 gallons per day.

Figure 2-5. Chico District Historical Per Capita Demand



2.5 Unadjusted Baseline Water Demand Projection

The unadjusted baseline water demand projection equals the forecasted district population multiplied by 2005-09 average per capita water use. This shows expected future demand given current patterns of consumption and water use efficiency and expected population growth. Baseline projections are shown in Figure 2-6 and Table 2-3.

Historical demand excluding recycled water use is used to calculate the district's 2015 and 2020 per capita water use targets required under state law. These targets are then compared to the baseline demand projection to determine how much potable water demands will need to adjust in order to achieve the targets. The

⁶ Per capita demand is the quotient of total demand across all customer classes and the district population.

derivation of these per capita targets and savings requirements are presented in Section 4.

Some of the required water saving are expected to come from plumbing fixture efficiency codes, changes in water rates, and past conservation program investment. These expected changes in demand need to be addressed in order to calculate the amount of savings that will need to come from new conservation investment. Expected changes in demand due to codes, rates, and past conservation investment are calculated in Section 5.

Figure 2-6. Chico District Unadjusted Baseline Demand Projection

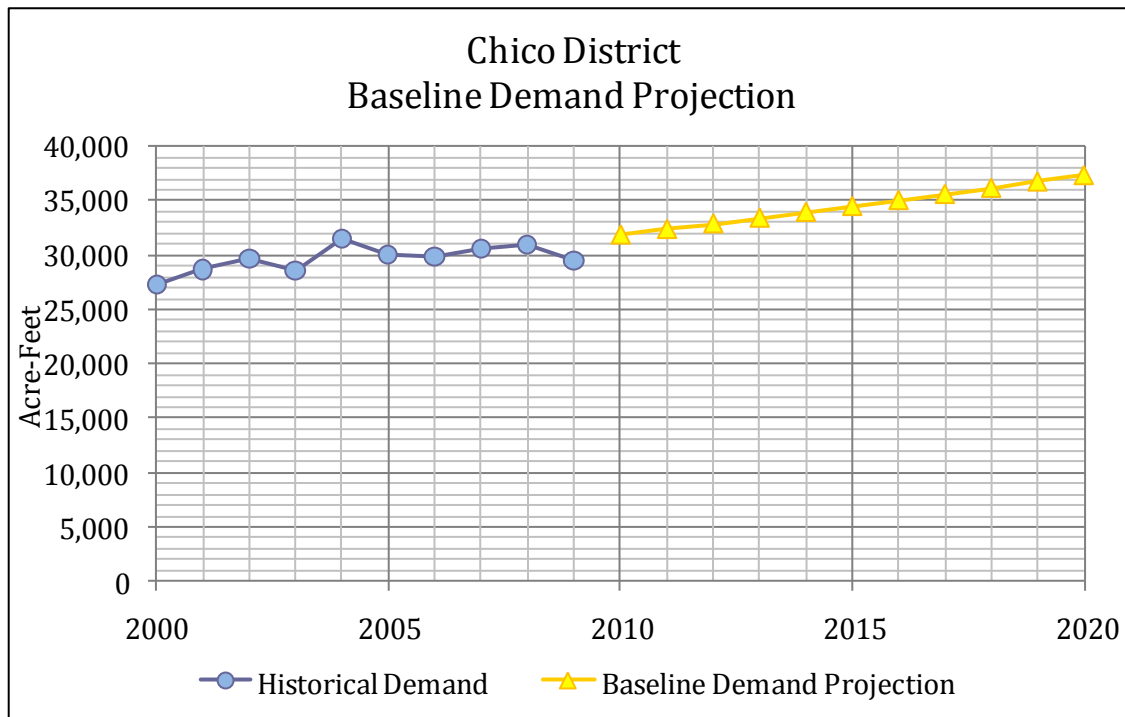


Table 2-3. Chico District Unadjusted Baseline Demand Projection

Year	2010	2015	2020
Unadjusted Baseline Demand (AF)	31,835	34,488	37,355
Increase from 2010 (AF)	NA	2,653	5,519
Increase from 2010 (%)	NA	8.3%	17.3%

2.6 Local Water Supply Issues⁷

The sole source of water supply for the customers of the Chico District is groundwater, and will likely continue to be for the near term. Determining the actual supply available to Cal Water in any given year is complicated by several factors. The first of which is that there has not been a comprehensive hydrogeologic investigation of the basin to define its safe yield. Nor has there been a legal adjudication of groundwater rights for basin pumpers. This is partly due the relative abundance of groundwater resources in this region of the Sacramento Valley. Although there has been a general decline on groundwater levels over the long term, this decline has not been significant enough to warrant immediate concern. The aquifers beneath the Chico District contain large volumes of stored groundwater, and groundwater levels have recovered quickly after past drought events. Because of the difficulty in defining an exact supply quantity available to the Chico District, the theoretical supply could be considered the amount that Cal Water has the ability to pump. The design capacity of all the active wells is currently 90,288 AFY. A more conservative estimate may be 80 percent of this capacity, which is 72,230 AFY. However, this value greatly exceeds projected water demands and it may be unrealistic to characterize this quantity as the available supply. Cal Water recognizes the need for responsible management of groundwater resources and will remain committed to implementing conservation programs to minimize its pumping in the basin, and will remain supportive of the management efforts of Butte and Glenn Counties. Cal Water will only pump enough water to meet the needs of its customers.

Cal Water does not currently purchase imported water to meet supply requirements in its Chico District. However, Butte County has a Table A entitlement to the State Water Project (SWP) approximately 27,000 AFY. Historically, Butte County has not made full use of the majority of this entitlement; currently there is a surplus in excess of 20,000 AFY. The Butte County Department of Water and Resource Conservation, with Cal Water's financial assistance, is currently developing a feasibility study to determine the most appropriate and economical way to make full use of this entitlement in the Chico area. At this time it is not clear whether SWP water can be made available in an economic manner for purchase by Cal Water.

An important consideration for this plan is the extent that conservation can avoid or delay the need for investments in new supply, such as additional well, storage, or treatment capacity. The value of avoiding or delaying investment in supply is summarized in the avoided water supply cost projection, described next.

2.7 Future Water Cost

As will be discussed below in Section 6, a key component of the analysis of potential water conservation programs for each district is a forecast of the district's future

⁷ The district's 2010 Urban Water Management Plan provides a detailed discussion of district water supply sources and water supply management issues.

avoided costs of water supplies and infrastructure. Each unit of water conservation provides an economic benefit to the water utility by allowing the agency to avoid certain supply and/or infrastructure costs.

The avoided cost for each Cal Water district was estimated using the CUWCC/Water Research Foundation Avoided Cost Model. The model estimates the costs that the water utility will avoid as a result of each acre foot of water conserved. The model estimates both short run and long run avoided costs, and differentiates between water saved in the peak and off-peak seasons.⁸ Following is a description of how the avoided costs were estimated for Chico District.

2.7.1 Short-Run Avoided Costs

As water conservation programs reduce demand, less water must be purchased, produced, pumped, and/or treated. These reduced variable operating costs constitute the short-run avoided costs. To estimate the short-run avoided costs per acre-foot of reduced demand, the supplies and/or facilities that will be cut back in response to conservation-induced demand reductions (the so-called “marginal” supplies and facilities) must be identified. In the case of Chico District, the marginal supply is well water.

The avoidable cost components for this supply include power and chemical costs for pumping and treatment.

2.7.2 Long-Run Avoided Costs

In addition to the immediate reduction in variable operating costs, peak-season demand reductions may, in the long run, also enable a water supplier to defer or downsize planned future capital investments in supply and/or infrastructure capacity. For Chico District, several such projects were identified that were deemed to be deferrable in response to conservation-induced demand reductions. Thus, beginning in 2016, and based on each project’s estimated annualized capital and fixed operating costs, Chico District’s avoided costs will also include a long-run component. Table 2-4 summarizes the Chico District avoided cost forecast.

⁸ The peak season is separately specified for each district depending on district supply and demand characteristics. For Chico, the peak season includes the months of May-September.

Table 2-4. Chico District Avoided Cost Forecast

Avoided Cost (\$/AF)	2010	2020	2030	2040
Short-Run	\$76	\$76	\$76	\$76
Long-Run ¹	\$0	\$367	\$446	\$124
TOTAL	\$76	\$443	\$522	\$200
¹ Long-Run costs are avoided only as a result of reductions in peak-season demand.				

2.8 Future Water Rates

Water service rates in the district are regulated by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). The district files a General Rate Case with the CPUC every three years. The CPUC uses the information provided in the rate case to set rates so that the district can recover the cost of service and earn a reasonable return on its investments in the water system. The last rate case was concluded in 2010 and established rates for 2011, 2012, and 2013. The percentage increase in service rates over the prior year is shown in Table 2-5.⁹ These rate changes are incorporated into the analysis of future demand and net water saving requirements, as described in Section 5 of the plan.

Table 2-5. Chico District Nominal Change in Service Rates

Year	2011	2012	2013
Change from Prior Year	6.7%	4.3%	4.1%

⁹More precisely, the increases for 2012 and 2013 show the percentage change in district revenue requirement, which may be slightly different than the percentage change in the average rate, but provide a close proxy for the expected change in volumetric rates.

3 Statewide Urban Water Demand Reduction Policies

3.1 Introduction

Inter-related state-level policies and agreements aimed at reducing urban water use have provided much of the impetus for this plan. These include: (1) recent decisions by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) directing Class A and B water utilities to reduce per capita urban water demand; (2) state legislation mandating urban water suppliers to reduce per capita demand 20% by 2020; and (3) the Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Urban Water Conservation in California (MOU). This section of the plan discusses these requirements, their relationship to one another, and their relationship to Cal Water's overall conservation strategy.

3.2 CPUC GPCD Policy

The CPUC's Decision 07-05-062 directed Class A and B water utilities to submit a plan to achieve a 5% reduction in average customer water use over each three-year rate cycle. This policy was refined under Decision 08-02-036, which established a water use reduction goal of 3% to 6% in per customer or service connection consumption every three years once a full conservation program, with price and non-price components, is in place. These decisions anticipated enactment of policies by the State legislature to reduce urban water use in California 20% by 2020.

3.3 State Per Capita Water Use Policies and Targets

Senate Bill 7 (SBx7-7), which was signed into law in November 2009, amended the State Water Code to require a 20% reduction in urban per capita water use by 2020. Commonly known as the 20x2020 policy, the new requirements apply to every retail urban water supplier subject to the Urban Water Management Planning Act (UWMPA).

3.3.1 SBx7-7 GPCD Reduction Targets

SBx7-7 requires the state to achieve a 20% reduction in urban per capita water use by December 31, 2020. The state is required to make incremental progress toward this goal by reducing per capita water use by at least 10% on or before December 31, 2015. SBx7-7 requires each urban retail water supplier to develop interim and 2020 urban water use targets in accordance with specific requirements described below. Urban retail water suppliers will not be eligible for state water grants or loans unless they comply with SBx7-7's requirements.

Under SBx7-7, an urban retail water supplier may adopt one of four different methods for determining the 2020 gpcd target:

1. Set the 2020 target to 80% of average GPCD for any continuous 10-year period ending no earlier than December 31, 2004, and no later than December 31, 2010.¹⁰
2. Set the 2020 target as the sum of the following:
 - a. 55 GPCD for indoor residential water use
 - b. 90% of baseline CII water uses, where baseline CII GPCD equals the average for any contiguous 10-year period ending no earlier than December 31, 2004, and no later than December 31, 2010.
 - c. Estimated per capita landscape water use for landscape irrigated through residential and dedicated irrigation meters assuming water use efficiency equivalent to the standards of the Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance set forth in Section 2.7 of Division 2 of Title 23 of the California Code of Regulations.¹¹
3. Set the 2020 target to 95% of the applicable state hydrologic region¹² target, as set forth in the state's draft 20x2020 Water Conservation Plan (dated April 30, 2009).
4. A method as yet unspecified, to be determined by DWR no later than December 31, 2010.

Additionally, if baseline GPCD is greater than 100 gallons, the 2020 GPCD target can be no greater than 95% of average GPCD calculated over a continuous 5-year period ending no earlier than December 31, 2007 and no later than December 31, 2010, irrespective of the target method adopted.

3.3.2 Regional Compliance

SBx7-7 allows water suppliers to form regional alliances and set regional targets for purposes of compliance. Under the regional compliance approach, water suppliers within the same hydrologic region can comply with SBx7-7 by either meeting their individual target or being part of a regional alliance that meets its regional target.¹³ The regional target is calculated as the population-weighted average target for the water suppliers comprising the regional alliance.

¹⁰ If the supplier meets at least 10% of its retail demand with recycled water, it may extend the period for calculating average baseline GPCD by up to an additional five years.

¹¹ This method requires the use of satellite imagery, site visits, or other best available technology to develop an accurate estimate of landscaped areas served by residential and dedicated irrigation meters.

¹² California is divided into 10 hydrologic regions. A map of these regions can be viewed at: www.water.ca.gov/floodmgmt/hafoo/csc/.

¹³ Water suppliers may also form regional alliances if they are served by the same wholesale water supplier, they are members of a regional agency authorized to plan and implement water conservation, or they are part of an integrated regional water management funding area.

Importantly, being part of a regional alliance does not preclude a water supplier from complying with SBx7-7 by meeting its individual target. A water supplier that is part of a regional alliance will not comply with SBx7-7 only if the regional alliance fails to meet the regional target and the water supplier fails to meet its individual target. This provision of SBx7-7 effectively gives a water supplier that is part of a regional alliance two ways to comply. Cal Water districts sorted by hydrologic region are shown in Table 3-1. Chico District is one of five Cal Water districts within the Sacramento River hydrologic region. For these districts, Cal Water has calculated both district-specific targets and a regional target. As will be shown in Section 7, the regional compliance option will provide added assurance that Chico District can comply with SBx7-7 requirements in 2015.

Table 3-1. Cal Water Districts Sorted by Hydrologic Region

Hydrologic Region	Cal Water Districts in Region
North Coast	Redwood Valley
San Francisco Bay Area	Bear Gulch, Livermore, Los Altos, Mid-Peninsula, South San Francisco
Central Coast	King City, Salinas
South Coast	Dominguez, East LA, Hermosa-Redondo, Palos Verdes, Westlake
Sacramento River	Chico , Dixon, Marysville, Oroville, Willows
San Joaquin	Stockton
Tulare Lake	Bakersfield, Kern River Valley, Selma, Visalia
North Lahontan	None
South Lahontan	Antelope Valley
Colorado River	None

3.3.3 Cal Water SBx7-7 Compliance Strategy

Cal Water's SBx7-7 compliance strategy involves:

1. Identifying for each district the largest allowable interim and 2020 GPCD targets under methods 1 and 3;¹⁴
2. Grouping districts by hydrologic region and calculating population-weighted regional targets where applicable; and
3. Developing conservation programs aimed at achieving the regional and/or district-specific targets.

¹⁴ Targets based on method 2 were not considered because the data necessary to accurately estimate landscape areas served by residential and dedicated irrigation meters was not available. Method 4 had not been defined at the time this plan was developed.

The resulting SBx7-7 targets and required water demand reductions for Chico District are presented in Section 4 of the plan. It is important to emphasize that SBx7-7 is just one of several factors used to determine the Plan's recommended level of water savings. Other factors included MOU compliance, cost-effectiveness, and district water supply and quality considerations.

3.4 Urban Water Conservation MOU

The MOU has guided urban water conservation programs in California since it was first adopted in 1991. More than 230 California urban water suppliers have signed the MOU and pledged good faith efforts to comply with its terms. Most urban water conservation programs operated by California water utilities have been shaped to some extent by MOU requirements. While compliance with the MOU is voluntary, access to some types of state funding for water resources management is conditioned on MOU compliance.¹⁵ These eligibility requirements will end July 1, 2016. After that date, access to state funding for water resources management will be conditioned on compliance with SBx7-7 requirements.

3.4.1 MOU Compliance Options

There are three ways in which a water supplier can comply with the MOU. The first way is to implement a set of water conservation best management practices (BMPs) according to the requirements and schedules set forth in Exhibit 1 of the MOU. The second way, called Flex Track compliance, is to implement conservation programs expected to save an equivalent or greater volume of water than the BMPs. The third way, similar to SBx7-7, is to reduce per capita water use. Each of these compliance options is briefly described below.

BMP Implementation Compliance

Originally, the MOU established a set of BMPs that signatories agreed to implement in good faith. For each BMP, the MOU established the actions required by the water supplier (e.g. site surveys, fixture and appliance rebates, water use budgets, volumetric pricing and conservation rate designs), the implementation schedule, and the required level of effort (in the MOU this is referred to as the coverage requirement). Additionally, the MOU established the terms by which a water supplier could opt out of implementing a BMP.

BMPs are grouped into five categories. Two categories, Utility Operations and Education, are "Foundational BMPs" because they are considered to be essential water conservation activities by any utility and are adopted for implementation by all signatories to the MOU as ongoing practices with no time limits. The remaining BMPs are "Programmatic BMPs" and are organized into Residential, Commercial, Industrial, and Institutional (CII), and Landscape categories.

¹⁵ Section 10631.5 of the California Water Code.

Table 3-2 shows the BMPs by category. The requirements and coverage levels of each BMP are set forth in Exhibit 1 of the MOU.

Flex Track Compliance

Under Flex Track, a water supplier can estimate the expected water savings over the 10-year period 2009-2018 if it were to implement the programmatic BMPs in accordance with the MOU's schedule, coverage, and exemption requirements, and then achieve these water savings through any combination of programs it desires.¹⁶ Thus, through the Flex Track compliance option, a water supplier agrees to save a certain volume of water using whatever it determines to be the best combination of programs. Because the savings target depends on the programmatic BMP coverage requirements, which in turn are functions of service area size and composition of demand, the volume of water to be saved under this compliance option must be calculated separately for each supplier. The methodologies and tools for water suppliers to implement these calculations are still being developed by the CUWCC.

GPCD Compliance

Under the GPCD option, a water supplier can comply with the MOU by reducing its baseline GPCD by 18% by 2018. The baseline is the ten-year period 1997-2006. The MOU also establishes interim GPCD targets and the highest acceptable levels of water use deemed to be in compliance with this option. The MOU's GPCD option is similar to using Method 1 to set the SBx7-7 target, except that it uses a fixed baseline period and only runs through 2018. This compliance option may be difficult to achieve for Cal Water districts that are part of a regional alliance for purposes of SBx7-7 compliance because savings as a percent of demand will vary considerably among the districts in the alliance. It may also conflict with district-specific SBx7-7 targets set using method 3 (hydrologic region-based target). Because of these potential conflicts, this is not considered a viable MOU compliance option for Cal Water districts.

3.4.2 Cal Water MOU Compliance Strategy

Cal Water plans to use Flex Track to comply with the MOU. This compliance option affords the most flexibility in selecting conservation programs suited to each Cal Water district and allows for more streamlined reporting. Because CUWCC tools for calculating a district's Flex Track savings target are not yet available, Cal Water developed its own target estimates for planning purposes, as described in Section 4. Cal Water will update these estimates as necessary following the release of the CUWCC Flex Track target calculator.

¹⁶ The supplier is required to implement the foundational BMPs regardless of which compliance option it selects.

Table 3-2. MOU Best Management Practices

BMP Group	BMP Name
1. Utility Operations Programs (F)	Conservation Coordinator
	Water Waste Prevention
	Wholesale Agency Assistance Programs
	Water Loss Control
	Metering & Volumetric Rates
	Retail Conservation Pricing
2. Education Programs (F)	Public Information Programs
	School Education Programs
3. Residential (P)	Residential Assistance Program
	Landscape Water Surveys
	High Efficiency Clothes Washer Program
	Watersense Toilet Program
	Watersense Specifications for Residential Development
4. Commercial, Industrial, Institutional (P)	Reduce baseline CII water use by 10% in 10 years
5. Landscape (P)	Large Landscape Water Budget Programs
	Large Landscape Water Surveys
F = Foundational BMP, P = Programmatic BMP <i>BMP definitions, coverage requirements, and schedule of implementation are contained in the MOU (www.cuwcc.org).</i>	

4 SBx7-7 and MOU Savings Targets

4.1 Introduction

This section of the plan presents the SBx7-7 and MOU compliance targets for Chico District. For district-specific SBx7-7 compliance, targets were set to either 80% of baseline GPCD or 95% of the district's hydrologic region target, whichever was greater. For MOU compliance, the Flex Track target was calculated as the volume of expected water savings from cost-effective programmatic BMPs over the 10-year period 2009 - 2018.

4.2 SBx7-7 Target Calculation

Table 4-1 shows the SBx7-7 target calculation for Chico District. This table shows: (1) the maximum allowable target under SBx7-7, (2) the target based on Method 1 – 80% of baseline water use, (3) the target based on Method 3 – 95% of the hydrologic region target, and (4) the selected target for the district.

Maximum Allowable Target

As described in Section 3, the SBx7-7 target for 2020 cannot exceed 95% of the district's five-year baseline water use, where the baseline period ends no earlier than December 31, 2007 and no later than December 31, 2010. The district's 2020 target cannot exceed this level, regardless of which method is used to calculate it. In the case of Chico District, neither target calculation method results in a target exceeding the maximum allowable target, so no adjustment is necessary.

Method 1 Target

Under Method 1, the 2015 and 2020 targets are set to 90% and 80% of baseline water use, respectively. Baseline water use is the average water use for any continuous 10-year period ending between 2004 and 2010. For Chico District, the 10-year base period 1999-2008 yielded the maximum target under this method.¹⁷ The 2015 target is 257 gpcd and a 2020 target is 229 gpcd.

Method 3 Target

Under Method 3, the 2020 target is set to 95% of the 2020 target for the hydrologic region in which the district is located. The 2015 target is set to the mid-point between the district's 10-year base daily water use and the 2020 target. Chico District is located in the Sacramento River hydrologic region. The 2015 target is 227 gpcd and the 2020 target is 167 gpcd.

Selected District Target

For Chico District, SBx7-7 non-compliance risk is minimized by selecting the Method 1 targets. Figure 4-1 shows projected per capita demand based on the last five-years

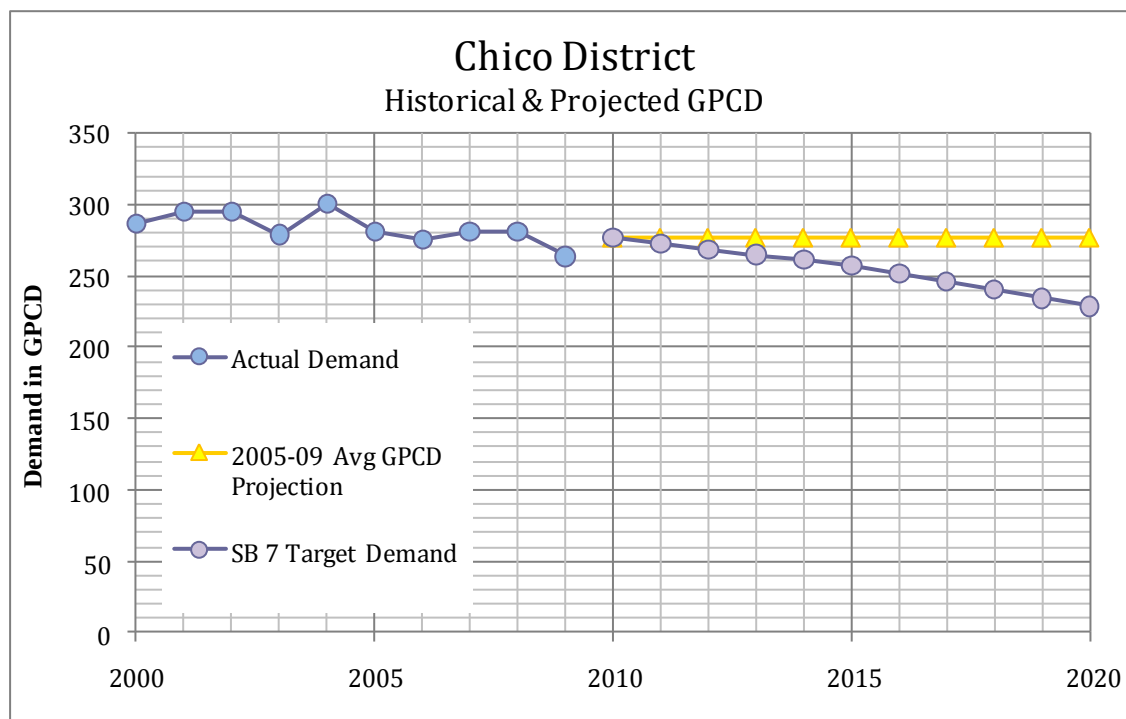
¹⁷ The historical district water use and population data used to calculate baseline water use under Method 1 are provided in Appendix XX.

of district sales data and how it would need to change in order to meet the SBx7-7 targets. The 2015 target is about 7% less than average per capita water use over the last five years. The 2020 target is about 17% less.

Table 4-1. Chico District SBx7-7 GPCD Targets

Maximum Allowable Target	
Base Period:	2004-2008
Per Capita Water Use:	284
Maximum Allowable 2020 Target:	270
Method 1: 80% of Baseline Per Capita Daily Water Use	
Base Period:	1999-2008
Per Capita Water Use:	286
2015 Target:	257
2020 Target:	229
Method 3: 95% of Hydrologic Region Target	
Hydrologic Region:	Sac River
2015 Target:	227
2020 Target:	167
Selected District Target	
2015 Target:	257
2020 Target:	229

Figure 4-1. Chico District SBx7-7 Per Capita Target Demand



Regional Alliance Target

As discussed in Section 3, water suppliers within the same hydrologic region can form a regional alliance for purposes of SBx7-7 compliance. This gives them two ways to comply with SBx7-7 – they will be in compliance as long as their per capita demand is less than or equal to the district-specific target or the weighted average per capita demand of the regional alliance is less than or equal to the regional target. As shown in Table 4-2, this means that Chico District will be in compliance in 2015 if its per capita demand is less than or equal to 257 gpcd, or average per capita demand for the regional alliance is less than or equal to 250 gpcd.

Table 4-2. Regional SBx7-7 Targets for Cal Water Districts in Sac. River HR

District	Population	2015 Target (GPCD)	2020 Target (GPCD)
Chico	99,630	257	229
Dixon	8,840	168	164
Marysville	12,285	225	200
Oroville	9,620	301	268
Willows	7,130	223	198
Regional Targets¹		250	223

¹ Regional targets are the population-weighted average of the district targets.

4.3 MOU Flex Track Target Calculation

As discussed in Section 3, because CUWCC tools for calculating a district's Flex Track savings target are not yet available, Cal Water developed its own target estimates for planning purposes. The targets are based on the expected water savings from cost-effective programmatic BMPs over the ten-year period 2009-2018. The coverage requirements for the programmatic BMPs listed in Table 4-3 were used to calculate the Flex Track targets. Expected water savings and cost-effectiveness were based on the conservation program specifications presented in Section 6 and avoided water supply costs presented in Section 2. The resulting 2015 Flex Track target for Chico District is shown in Table 4-4. The estimated Flex Track target is approximately 3 AF of annual water savings from residential and non-residential conservation programs by 2015.

Table 4-3. Programmatic BMPs Used to Calculate Flex Track Target

BMP No.	Coverage Requirement Used to Calculate Water Savings
3.1 <i>Residential Assistance</i>	Provide leak detection assistance to an average of 1.5 percent per year of current single-family accounts and 1.5 percent per year of current multi-family units during the first ten years after signing the MOU. After completing the ten-year 15 percent target, agencies will maintain a program at the level of high-bill complaints or not less than 0.75 percent per year of current single-family accounts and 0.75 percent per year of current multi-family units. Showerhead distribution will be considered complete when 75 percent market saturation is achieved.
3.2 <i>Landscape Water Surveys</i>	Provide landscape water surveys to an average of 1.5 percent per year of current single-family accounts during the first ten years after signing the MOU. After completing the ten-year 15 percent target, agencies will maintain a program at the level of high-bill complaints or no less than 0.75 percent per year of current single-family accounts.
3.3 <i>High Efficiency Clothes Washer Incentives</i>	Provide financial incentives for the purchase of HECWs that meet an average water factor value of 5.0. If the WaterSense Specification is less than 5.0, then the water factor value will decrease to that amount. Incentives shall be provided to 0.9 percent of current single-family accounts during the first reporting period following BMP implementation, rising to 1.0 percent per year of current single-family accounts for the remainder of ten year period following signing of the MOU. An alternative method is to demonstrate 1.4 percent per year of the market penetration during the first ten years after signing the MOU.
3.4 <i>WSS Toilet Incentives</i>	A financial incentive shall continue to be offered for toilets meeting the current WSS and updated standard whenever a more efficient toilet is identified by WSS. Compliance will entail demonstrating a number of toilet replacements of 3.5 gpf or greater, toilets at or above the level achieved through a retrofit on resale ordinance until 2014, or a market saturation of 75% is demonstrated, whichever is sooner.
4.0 <i>CII Water Use Reduction</i>	Implement measures to achieve the water savings goal for CII accounts of 10% of the baseline water use over a 10-year period. Baseline water use is defined as the water consumed by CII accounts in the agency's service area in 2008. Credit for prior activities, as reported through the BMP database, will be given for up to 50% of the goal; in this case, coverage will consist of reducing annual water use by CII accounts by an amount equal to the adjusted percentage goal within 10 years.
5.1 <i>Dedicated Irrigation Account Budgets</i>	ETo-based water use budgets developed for 90% of CII accounts with dedicated irrigation meters at an average rate of 9% per year over 10 years.
5.2 <i>Non Residential Landscape Surveys</i>	Complete irrigation water use surveys for not less than 15% of CII accounts with mixed-use meters and un-metered accounts within 10 years of the date implementation is to commence. (Note: CII surveys that include both indoor and outdoor components can be credited against coverage requirements for both the Landscape and CII BMPs.)

Table 4-4. Chico District 2015 MOU Flex Track Target

BMP	2015 Savings at Full Coverage	Cost-Effective¹	2015 Target Contribution
BMP 3.1 Residential Assistance Savings - Single Family	22.3 AF	FALSE	0.0 AF
BMP 3.1 Residential Assistance Savings - Multi Family	7.0 AF	FALSE	0.0 AF
BMP 3.2 Landscape Surveys - Single Family	27.3 AF	FALSE	0.0 AF
BMP 3.3 High Efficiency Clothes Washers	35.5 AF	FALSE	0.0 AF
BMP 3.4 WSS Toilets - Single Family	101.2 AF	FALSE	0.0 AF
BMP 3.4 WSS Toilets - Multi Family	25.5 AF	FALSE	0.0 AF
BMP 4.0 CII Reduction	1031.8 AF	3.0 AF	3.0 AF
BMP 5.1 Dedicated Irrigation Account Budgets ²	0.0 AF	NA	NA
BMP 5.2 Non Residential Landscape Surveys	38.3 AF	FALSE	0.0 AF
2015 Flex Track Target	1288.9 AF		3.0 AF
¹ True or false, except BMP 4.0 CII Reduction, which shows the calculated volume of cost-effective CII water savings based on the conservation program analysis presented in Section 6. Cost-effectiveness based on avoided water supply costs presented in Section 2 and the conservation program savings and cost assumptions presented in Section 6.			
² District does not have dedicated irrigation accounts.			

4.4 Difference from Unadjusted Baseline Water Use

The differences between the unadjusted baseline demand, district-specific SBx7-7 target, and MOU Flex Track target are shown in Table 4-5. This shows the maximum amount of water savings needed for SBx7-7 compliance, as well as the savings required for MOU compliance. Because Chico District is part of a regional alliance, the amount of water savings needed for SBx7-7 compliance may turn out to be less than the amount shown in the table. Also, as will be discussed in the next section, some of reduction in baseline demand needed to achieve SBx7-7 and MOU compliance will come from efficiency codes, conversion of flat rate customers to metered billing, response to adjustments in rates, and savings from past program implementation. Any residual will need to come from new conservation program activity, as will be addressed in Sections 6 and 7 of the plan.

Table 4-5. Chico District Gross Savings Required for SBx7-7 and MOU Compliances

Gross Water Savings Required by 2015	SBx7-7	MOU Flex Track
2015 Unadjusted Baseline Demand	34,488 AF	34,488 AF
2015 Target Demand	32,086 AF	34,485 AF
Gross Savings Requirement	2,402 AF	3 AF

5 Water Savings Required from New Programs

5.1 Introduction

In Section 4 the gross water savings Chico District needs to realize by 2015 in order to satisfy SBx7-7 and MOU compliance requirements were presented. In this section, the volume of water savings that can reasonably be expected from existing efficiency codes, conversion of flat rate customers to metered billing, water rate adjustments, and past conservation program implementation is considered. The results are used to adjust baseline demand so that the volume of water savings that will need to come from new conservation programs can be determined.

5.2 Expected Savings from Efficiency Codes

Two recent California laws are expected to accelerate the replacement of low efficiency plumbing fixtures – primarily toilets and showerheads – with higher efficiency alternatives.¹⁸

- AB 715, passed in 2007, amended the California Building and Safety Code to require by January 1, 2014, that toilets sold or installed in California use no more than 1.28 gallons per flush.¹⁹ It also requires that urinals sold or installed use no more than 0.5 gallons per flush.²⁰
- SB 407, passed in 2009, amended the California Civil Code to require replacement of low efficiency plumbing fixtures with higher efficiency alternatives when a property undergoes alterations, improvements, or transfer.²¹ In the case of single-family residential properties, issuance of a certificate of final completion and occupancy or final permit approval by the local building department for building alterations or improvements will be conditional on the replacement of low efficiency plumbing fixtures beginning in 2014. Single-family property owners are required by law to replace any remaining non-compliant plumbing fixtures by no later than January 1, 2017.

¹⁸ Cities and counties also are required, under AB 1881, to adopt water efficient landscape design ordinances at least as effective as the state's model landscape ordinance. The extent and variability of landscape water use in the service area, as well as uncertain enforcement of ordinance requirements by the relevant city or county, make projections of potential water savings highly uncertain and therefore they are not incorporated into the forecast of potential water savings from efficiency codes.

¹⁹ State law currently prohibits the sale and installation of toilets using more than 1.6 gallons per flush.

²⁰ State law currently prohibits the sale and installation of urinals using more than 1.0 gallon per flush.

²¹ Non compliant plumbing fixtures include any toilet manufactured to use more than 1.6 gallons per flush, any showerhead manufactured to have a flow capacity more than 2.5 gallons per minute, and any interior faucet that emits more than 2.2 gallons per minute. Compliant water conserving plumbing fixtures means any fixture that is in compliance with current building standards applicable to a newly constructed real property of the same type.

After this date, a seller or transferor of single-family residential real property must disclose in writing to the prospective purchaser or transferee whether the property includes any noncompliant plumbing fixtures. For multi-family and commercial properties non-compliant fixtures must be replaced by January 1, 2019. As with single-family properties, final permits or approvals for alterations or improvements are conditional on the replacement of low efficiency fixtures beginning in 2014.²²

The phase-in dates for AB 715 and SB 407 mean they will not greatly contribute to meeting the 2015 interim GPCD target under SBx7-7. But they will support meeting the 2020 target. Moreover, since the early 1990's, the sale and installation of toilets manufactured to flush more than 1.6 gallons, showerheads manufactured to have a flow capacity more than 2.5 gallons per minute, and interior faucets manufactured to emit more than 2.2 gallons per minute has been prohibited. These requirements will continue to improve the efficiency of plumbing fixtures in older residential and commercial buildings.

Expected code-driven water savings for the period 2011-2015 are shown in Table 5-1. These estimates incorporate existing plumbing code requirements, as well as the full phase-in of AB 715 requirements starting in 2014.

Table 5-1. Chico District 2011-2015 Code-Driven Water Savings

Code-Driven Water Savings (AF)	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Toilets					
Single Family	17.7	35.1	51.9	68.4	93.4
Multi Family	8.1	16.0	23.8	31.4	42.0
Non Residential	6.0	11.8	17.4	22.7	29.8
<i>Subtotal Toilets</i>	<i>31.8</i>	<i>62.8</i>	<i>93.1</i>	<i>122.5</i>	<i>165.3</i>
Showerheads					
Single Family	4.5	8.5	12.3	15.7	18.9
Multi Family	1.9	3.7	5.3	6.8	8.2
<i>Subtotal Showerheads</i>	<i>6.4</i>	<i>12.2</i>	<i>17.6</i>	<i>22.5</i>	<i>27.1</i>
Total Savings	38.2	75.1	110.6	145.0	192.3

²² In the case of multi-family and commercial property, the permit approval requirements apply only if (a) the improvements would increase building floor area by more than 10%, or (b) the value of the improvements exceed \$150,000, or (c) the improvements are in a room containing non-compliance plumbing fixtures.

5.3 Expected Savings from Rates

Water savings from expected rate adjustments in Chico District were also calculated. The estimates are based on inflation-adjusted changes in rates for 2011, 2012, and 2013, as contained in CPUC's proposed GRC decision. Short-run price elasticity estimates used to calculate potential changes in demand were drawn from the CUWCC's conservation rate guidebook.²³ Expected savings from the proposed rate adjustments in 2015 are about 170 AF, as shown in Table 5-2.²⁴

Table 5-2. Chico District 2011-2015 Water Savings from Proposed Rate Adjustment

Rate-Driven Water Savings (AF)	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<i>% Change in Inflation-Adjusted Water Rate¹</i>	4%	1%	1%	NA	NA
Expected Savings	33.6	78.6	129.5	146.7	170.4
¹ Percent change does not include adjustments to the future costs of purchased water, assessments charged for pumping groundwater, electricity, and other costs generally beyond Cal Water's control. Additionally, some water system improvements approved by the CPUC will not be included in rates until they are completed and are in service.					

5.4 Expected Savings from Current Programs

In addition to savings from codes and rates, expected on-going water savings from conversion of flat rate customers to metered billing plus conservation program activity occurring in 2009 and 2010 were also taken into account. These savings, shown in Table 5-3, are projected at about 1,615 AF in 2015.²⁵

²³ California Urban Water Conservation Council, "Designing, Evaluating, and Implementing Conservation Rate Structures," July 1997, p. 8-18. Price elasticity measures the expected percentage change in demand given a one percent change in price. For example, an elasticity of -0.25 indicates that a one percent increase in price would be expected to result in a 0.25 percent decrease in demand.

²⁴ The savings estimates in the table were derived using the methodology and assumptions contained in *Rebuttal to DRA's Report on the Conservation Expenditures of California Water Service Company (California Water Service Company Application 09-07-001)*, prepared by David Mitchell and Gary Fiske, March 29, 2010.

²⁵ Estimated savings from 2009 and 2010 meter conversion and conservation program activity are taken from the report *Achieving Conservation Targets: Conservation Program Recommendations and Budgets for California Water Service Company Districts: Test Years 2011 through 2013*, prepared by M.Cubed, Gary Fiske and Associates, and A&N Technical Services, June 2009.

Table 5-3. Chico District Water Savings from Meter Conversion and 2009-10 Conservation Programs

Existing Program and Metering Savings (AF)	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Existing Programs: 2009-10	28.9	28.7	28.5	22.4	16.4
Metering: 2009-10	456.3	456.3	456.3	456.3	456.3
Metering: 2011-15	228.4	456.8	685.2	913.6	1,142.0
Total Existing Programs and Metering	713.6	941.8	1,170.0	1,392.3	1,614.6

5.5 Adjusted Baseline Demand

The adjusted baseline demand is calculated by deducting expected savings from codes, rates, and past programs from the unadjusted demand projection presented in Section 2. The adjusted baseline demand is shown in Table 5-4.

Table 5-4. Chico District Adjusted Baseline Demand Projection

Adjusted Baseline (AF)	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Unadjusted Baseline	32,349	32,872	33,401	33,940	34,488
Less Savings from					
Codes	38	75	111	145	192
Schedule Rate Increases	34	79	129	147	170
Existing Programs & Meter Conversion	714	942	1,170	1,392	1,615
Adjusted Baseline Demand	31,564	31,777	31,991	32,256	32,511
Per Capita (GPCD)	270	267	265	263	261

5.6 Water Savings Needed from New Programs

The amount of water savings required from new conservation programs is not the same for SBx7-7 and MOU Flex Track compliance. In the case of SBx7-7, the objective is to reduce 2015 per capita water use at least to the target in Table 4-1, and any expected savings from codes, rates, and existing conservation programs can be credited toward meeting this goal. This is not the case for MOU Flex Track compliance, where the objective is to implement conservation programs that would save at least as much as the Flex Track target. Unlike SBx7-7, water savings from codes, conversion to metered billing, and rates cannot be credited against the Flex Track target. Only savings from existing conservation programs can be deducted.

Savings required from new conservation programs to meet SBx7-7 and MOU Flex Track compliance requirements are summarized in Table 5-5. In the case of SBx7-7, expected savings from codes, rates, and existing programs fall short of the 2015 gross savings requirement by about 425 AF and new program savings would need to reach this level to achieve district-specific SBx7-7 compliance in 2015. About 16 AF of savings are projected in 2015 from 2009-10 BMP implementation, 13 AF more than needed for MOU Flex Track compliance. Thus, no additional conservation is needed for MOU compliance.

Table 5-5. Chico District New Program Savings Required for SBx7-7 and MOU Compliance

2015 Net Savings Requirement (AF)	SBx7-7	MOU Flex Track
Gross Savings Requirement (Tbl 4-4)	2,402	3
Less		
Savings from codes (Tbl 5-1)	192	NA
Savings from rates (Tbl 5-2)	170	NA
Savings from existing programs (Tbl 5-3)	<u>1,615</u>	<u>16</u>
<i>Subtotal Expected Savings</i>	<i>1,977</i>	<i>16</i>
Savings Required from New Programs¹	425	-13
¹ Negative net savings indicates that no new program savings required for compliance		

Table 5-6 compares the adjusted baseline demand in gpcd to the 2015 SBx7-7. Adjusted baseline demand is about 3 gpcd greater than the district's 2015 SBx7-7 target.

Table 5-6. Chico District 2015 GPCD Required for SBx7-7 and MOU Compliance

Demand Projection	Demand (GPCD)	Difference from Adjusted Baseline (GPCD)
Adjusted Baseline	261	
SBx7-7 Target	257	-3

While the forgoing analysis indicates that Chico District requires only a modest amount of additional water savings for SBx7-7 or MOU compliance in 2015, this depends to a large extent on the realization of estimated water savings from converting flat rate customers to metered billing plus the scheduled changes in rates. If these savings turn out to be less than estimated, the district will require additional

conservation program savings for compliance.²⁶ Moreover, district per capita water use will need to fall an additional 11% between 2015 and 2020 in order to meet the 2020 SBx7-7 target. The next two sections of the plan describe the analyses undertaken to identify the best mix of new conservation programs to meet these district demand management objectives.

²⁶ Cal Water and San Jose State University Research Foundation are jointly undertaking a study of realized water savings from converting customers from flat rate to metered billing. This study is expected to commence in early 2011. Results from studies such as this one will be used by Cal Water to update the water savings projections contained in this plan.

6 Conservation Program Analysis

6.1 Introduction

Cal Water engaged in a detailed, multi-step process to identify the best mix of programs to achieve the required savings. The process began with an inclusive universe of potential program concepts. These concepts were qualitatively analyzed to eliminate those that were clearly inappropriate for each district and thereby narrow the analytical focus to those remaining programs that were potentially appropriate. Those programs were then subjected to detailed quantitative analysis. This Section describes the steps of the analytical process for Chico District, and the programs that emerged as potential components of a portfolio of programs for the district. Section 7 will then describe the process of creating this portfolio.

6.2 Conservation Program Concepts

As a result of an exhaustive search of the literature, consultation with experts in the field, knowledge of conservation programming by other water suppliers, and the experience of the project team, a universe of more than 75 conservation program concepts was defined. At this point in the process, the goal was to be as inclusive as possible. The list was therefore intentionally large to ensure that all possible program concepts were considered. Cal Water did not want to risk inadvertently excluding a program from consideration.

For the purposes of this plan, a conservation program concept is comprised of two components:

- Targeted technologies or changes in customer behavior; and
- A delivery mechanism by which customers will be encouraged (or required) to adopt the technology(ies) or change their behavior. Key delivery mechanisms that apply to one or more measures/technologies include:
 - **Customer rebates or vouchers.** Customers who choose to participate in the program receive either cash rebates upon suitable evidence of purchase and/or installation or vouchers that can be used to purchase the water efficient device or fixture.
 - **Vendor, distributor and contractor incentives.** Instead of providing incentives to customers, they are provided to 'upstream' entities such as vendors, distributors, or contractors to encourage them to promote water-efficiency devices or fixtures.
 - **Retrofit/conversion on resale ordinance.** Prior to sale of a property, the seller must retrofit or convert to the designated water-efficient technology.

- **Direct distribution.** Devices or fixtures are directly provided to eligible customers at designated sites, either by the utility or by vendors or distributors.
- **Direct install.** Devices or fixtures are delivered and installed at the customer premises.
- **New construction ordinance.** All specified categories of new construction are required to include the designated technology(ies).
- **Audits/Surveys.** These are customer-specific assessments, focused on a particular technology, to determine whether and how that technology is applicable to the customer and the volume of water that might be saved. These audits are to be distinguished from the more general audits and surveys, which are designed to identify a variety of water savings opportunities.
- **Customized incentives.** Unlike the rebate and voucher incentives described above, these incentives are tailored to each customer based on the results of an audit.
- **Mandatory operating standards.** Designated types of equipment are required to be operated in particular ways to reduce water usage.
- **Demonstration.** For new technologies, demonstration projects can be implemented to gather information about their more general applicability.
- **Utility system maintenance.** Water savings from these measures come from enhancements to the utility's own delivery system. Unlike the other mechanisms, this one is not associated with individual customers and occurs on the utility's side of the meter.

Each program may apply to multiple customer classes (Single Family, Multi-Family, Commercial/ Industrial/Institutional, and Large Landscape).

The universe of program concepts, shown in Table 6-1, Table 6-2, and Table 6-3, includes programs targeting indoor, outdoor, and general end-uses. It includes programs that have been successfully implemented by many other utilities as well as programs that do not have such a history. It includes some programs for which there is a considerable amount of available savings and cost data, and others for which little or no such data exists.

Table 6-1. Chico District Indoor Conservation Program Concepts

Technology/Intervention	Delivery Mechanism	Single Family	Multi-Family	CII
HE Toilets	Customer rebates or vouchers	x	x	x
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x
	Retrofit on resale ordinance	x	x	x
	Direct distribution (by utility, community group, vendor)	x	x	x
	Direct install	x	x	x
Urinals	Customer rebates or vouchers			x
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives			x
	Retrofit on resale ordinance			x
	Direct distribution (by utility or vendor)			x
	Valve replacement			x
Clotheswashers: in-unit, common area, & coin-op	Customer rebates & vouchers	x	x	x
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x
	New construction ordinance		x	x
Industrial laundries	Audits			x
	Customized incentives			x
Showerhead (2.0, 1.5 gpm)/flapper/aerators	Kit distribution or install	x	x	x
Showerhead (1.5 gpm)	Customer rebates or vouchers	x	x	x
Shower timers, Reminder cards	Direct distribution	x	x	x
Faucets (reduced flow, auto shut-off)	Customer rebates or vouchers	x	x	x
Hot Water recirculation, point-of-use, or demand Systems	Customer rebates or vouchers	x	x	x
	Retrofit on resale ordinance	x	x	x
	New construction ordinance	x	x	x
Hot water pipe insulation	Retrofit on resale ordinance	x	x	x
	New construction ordinance	x	x	x
Cooling Towers	Customer rebates, customized incentives			x
Food Steamers	Customer rebates			x
Ice Machines	Customer rebates			x
Steam Sterilizers	Customer rebates			x
Vacuum Pumps	Customer rebates			x
Car Washes	Mandatory operating standards			x
	Customer rebates			x
	Audits			x
Dishwashers	Customer rebates or vouchers	x	x	x
	New construction ordinance		x	x
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x
Spray valves	Direct install			x
	Customer rebates			x

Technology/Intervention	Delivery Mechanism	Single Family	Multi-Family	CII
	Audits			x
Sensor-operated faucets	Customer rebates or vouchers			x
Plan requirement (indoor & outdoor)	New construction ordinance	x	x	x
Self-generating water softener replacement	Customer rebates	x	x	x
	Operating restrictions	x	x	x
X Ray film & photo processors	Customer rebates			x
Industrial process	Audits & incentives			x
Wet cleaning systems	Customer rebates			x
Evaporative Coolers	Customer rebates	x	x	X
An "x" indicates the program could be offered to the indicated customer class.				

Table 6-2. Chico District Outdoor Conservation Program Concepts

Technology/Intervention	Delivery Mechanism	CUSTOMER CLASS			
		Single Family	Multi-Family	CII	Lg Lndscp
Large Landscape Surveys					x
WBIC	Direct Install	x	x	x	x
	Customer rebate	x	x	x	x
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x	x
	Direct distribution	x	x	x	x
Irrigation System (including, but not limited to, high efficiency nozzles for pop-up heads, drip, soil moisture sensors, rain shut off, pressure control)	New construction ordinance	x	x	x	x
	Customer rebate	x	x	x	x
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x	x
	Retrofit on resale ordinance	x	x	x	x
Landscape design	Customer rebate	x	x	x	x
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x	x
	Conversion on resale ordinance	x	x	x	x
	New construction ordinance	x	x	x	x
Turf buy back (Cash for Grass)	Customer rebate	x	x	x	x
Artificial Turf	Customer rebate	x	x	x	x
Water Budgets	(Potentially rate-linked)	x	x	x	x
Large Landscape Water Use Reports					x
Pool, hot tub covers & other upgrades	Customer rebate or voucher	x	x	x	
Water Brooms	Customer rebate or voucher			x	
	Direct distribution			x	
Dedicated Irrigation Meters	Customer rebate	x	x	x	
	New construction ordinance	x	x	x	
An "x" indicates the program could be offered to the indicated customer class.					

Table 6-3. Chico District General Conservation Program Concepts

Technology/Intervention	Delivery Mechanism	CUSTOMER CLASS			
		Single Family	Multi-Family	CII	Lg Lndscp
Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)*		x	x	x	x
Meter installation	Direct Install	x	x	x	x
Water use meter alerting device		x	x	x	x
"Smart Meters"	Demonstration	x	x	x	x
Increased billing frequency		x	x	x	x
Water waste ordinance		x	x	x	x
Water recycling, grey water use, rainwater harvesting	Customized incentives	x	x	x	x
New construction guidelines		x	x	x	x
New const conservation offsets		x	x	x	x
System loss prevention, leak detection & repair	Utility system maintenance				
An "x" indicates the program could be offered to the indicated customer class.					

6.2.1 Concept Screening

Once the universe of program concepts was defined, the next step was to subject each program concept to a careful district-specific qualitative screen, the objective of which was to eliminate those program concepts that were clearly inappropriate. For this purpose, six screening criteria were developed:

1. **Implementation feasibility.** Are the administrative, staffing, billing, institutional, legal, and/or political difficulties associated with implementing the program acceptable?
2. **Customer/stakeholder acceptability.** Will the program likely be deemed acceptable by customers and/or other key program stakeholders?
3. **District match.** Is the technology well matched to the customers, appliance stocks, climate, building stock, and/or other characteristics of the service area? Are there enough target sites in the district to warrant developing and operating the program?
4. **Relationship to other programs.** Does the program reinforce rather than duplicate or conflict with other existing or proposed conservation programs?
5. **Program costs.** Are the expected costs of the program acceptable?
6. **Certainty of savings.** Are we able to forecast future program savings with a sufficient degree of certainty? Is our savings forecast sufficiently reliable?

For each program concept, Cal Water staff answered "yes" or "no" for each of these criteria. A "yes" answer on each of these criteria was considered to be essential for program success. Thus, a negative response to any one of the criteria for a particular program concept eliminated that concept from further consideration. Once Cal

Water had completed the initial qualitative screen, it shared the results with local community leaders to get feedback on conservation program concepts for the district.

The final set of programs passing the qualitative screen for Chico District is shown in Table 6-4.

Table 6-4. Chico District Program Concepts Passing Qualitative Screen

Technology/Intervention	Delivery Mechanism	CUSTOMER CLASS			
		Single Family	Multi-Family	CII	Lg Lndscp
INDOOR					
HE Toilets	Customer rebates or vouchers	x	x	x	
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x	
	Distribution (by utility, community group, vendor)	x	x	x	
	Direct install	x	x	x	
Urinals	Customer rebates or vouchers			x	
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives			x	
	Distribution (by utility or vendor)			x	
	Valve replacement			x	
Clotheswashers: in-unit, common area, & coin-op	Customer rebates & vouchers	x	x	x	
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x	
Industrial laundries	Audits			x	
	Customized incentives			x	
Showerhead (2.0, 1.5 gpm)/ flapper/aerators	Kit distribution or install	x	x		
Shower timers, Reminder cards	Distribution	x	x		
Cooling Towers	Customer rebates, customized incentives			x	
Food Steamers	Customer rebates			x	
Ice Machines	Customer rebates			x	
Steam Sterilizers	Customer rebates			x	
Vacuum Pumps	Customer rebates			x	
Car Washes	Customer rebates			x	
	Audits			x	
Spray valves	Customer rebates			x	
	Audits			x	
X Ray film & photo processors	Customer rebates			x	
Industrial process	Audits & incentives			x	
OUTDOOR					

Technology/Intervention	Delivery Mechanism	CUSTOMER CLASS			
		Single Family	Multi-Family	CII	Lg Lndscp
Large Landscape Surveys					x
WBIC	Direct Install	x	x	x	x
	Customer rebate	x	x	x	x
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x	x
	Distribution	x	x	x	x
Irrigation System (including, but not limited to, high efficiency nozzles for pop-up heads, drip, soil moisture sensors, rain shut off, pressure control)	Customer rebate	x	x	x	x
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x	x
Landscape design	Customer rebate	x	x	x	x
	Vendor, distributor & contractor incentives	x	x	x	x
Turf buy back (Cash for Grass)	Customer rebate	x	x	x	x
Large Landscape Water Use Reports					x
Pool, hot tub covers & other upgrades	Customer rebate or voucher	x	x	x	
GENERAL					
Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)		x	x	x	x
Water use meter alerting device		x	x	x	
Water recycling, grey water use, rainwater harvesting	Customized incentives	x	x	x	
New construction guidelines		x	x	x	
New const conservation offsets		x	x	x	
Education/outreach		x	x	x	x

6.2.2 Preliminary Quantitative Analysis

A preliminary quantitative analysis was conducted on the programs that passed the qualitative screen. To do that, estimates were made of key savings and cost parameters for each of the programs in Table 6-4. Where applicable, these estimates were based on prior Cal Water experience with similar programs. In the absence of such experience, the experience of other water suppliers, the expertise of the project team, consultation with national experts, and published figures, where available, were relied upon. In particular, estimates developed by the California Urban Water Conservation Council and the Alliance for Water Efficiency were utilized where such estimates were available. While in most cases, the savings assumptions for a program do not vary across districts, for several programs, they do due to district-specific characteristics of household size, climate, etc. Other than meter installation,²⁷ program cost assumptions are uniform across districts, although in some cases, cost sharing with other water utilities reduce Cal Water's share.

The specific savings and cost variables that were estimated for each program are as follows.

²⁷ Seven Cal Water districts, including Chico, include a meter installation program as part of their conservation program portfolios.

Savings Parameters

Unit savings. The savings in gallons per year that can be expected per device or intervention.

Savings decay. The annual rate at which the unit savings will decay due to behavioral attrition or physical device limitations.

Seasonal distribution. The percentage of the annual savings that will occur during the peak season. Generally, this parameter will differ between indoor and outdoor programs.

Useful life. The expected life of the device or intervention over which the savings will persist.

Free riders. The percentage of program participants who would be expected to have acted in the absence of the program and for whom, therefore, there is assumed to be no incremental savings.

Natural replacement. The annual rate at which customers would be expected to replace their inefficient fixtures in the absence of utility intervention, due either to code requirements or market forces.

Cost Parameters

Initial variable cost. The cost the utility must pay per device or intervention at the time that the device is installed or the intervention occurs. This cost could include such things as the cost of a fixture, a survey, a customer rebate, a voucher, plus the cost for program administration and marketing.

Follow-up variable cost. Subsequent annual per-device or intervention costs the utility must pay to maintain the program savings.

Follow-up years. The number of years the follow up costs will persist.

6.2.3 Identification of Core and Non-Core Programs

A key challenge facing Cal Water is finding a way to efficiently scale up conservation programming across its 24 districts with the limited staffing it has to implement and manage these programs. The current GRC decision authorizes 4 full-time conservation program staff for 2011-13. These staff will be responsible for implementing and managing programs in 24 geographically dispersed districts serving a combined population of over 1.7 million.²⁸ As will be discussed in Section 7, Cal Water intends to propose to the CPUC adding three more conservation

²⁸ By way of comparison, the East Bay Municipal Utility District has a conservation program staff of 21 full-time positions serving a population of 1.3 million within a geographically contiguous and compact service area.

positions beginning in 2014 so that it can divide its districts into four program management regions. Even with the added staffing, the most efficient way for Cal Water to manage programs across its geographically dispersed districts is to standardize programs and centralize their implementation and oversight. Using the results of the qualitative screening and preliminary quantitative analysis, Cal Water identified five core programs that it would run in every district over the next five years. The following criteria were used for selecting core programs:

- Scalable – programs were more likely to be selected if they could simultaneously be run at low volumes in smaller districts and at much higher volumes in larger districts.
- Vendor Operation – programs were more likely to be selected if they could be operated by third-parties specializing in water conservation program implementation.
- Scale Economies – programs were more likely to be selected if aggregation of material purchases could lower unit costs of implementation.
- Synergy with Regional Programs – programs were more likely to be selected if they complemented or could leverage regional conservation programs that may be available to the district.
- Program Diversity – programs were selected to ensure a mix of programs for residential, commercial, industrial, and landscape customer segments.
- Proven Track Record – programs were more likely to be selected if they had demonstrated water savings and a proven track record of implementation by other water providers.
- Low Unit Cost – programs were more likely to be selected if they had low unit costs of implementation relative to other program options.²⁹

In addition to the core programs, an additional set of non-core programs was selected. Unlike core programs, Cal Water may not offer non-core programs in every district or in every year. Implementation of non-core programs will depend on whether additional water savings are required for SBx7-7 compliance, MOU compliance, or to help address local supply constraints.

The set of core and non-core programs that Cal Water will offer over the next five years is shown in Table 6-5.

²⁹ A program's unit cost was only one factor taken into account, which had to be balanced against other competing criteria, such as scalability, program diversity, and synergy with regional programs.

Table 6-5. Cal Water Conservation Programs

Program Name	Description	Target Market
CORE PROGRAMS		
Rebate/Vouchers for toilets, urinals, and clothes washers	Provide customer rebates for high-efficiency toilets, urinals, and clothes washers	All customer segments
Residential Surveys	Provide residential surveys to low-income customers, high-bill customers, and upon customer request or as pre-screen for participation in direct install programs	All residential market segments
Residential Showerhead/Water Conservation Kit Distribution	Provide residential showerhead/water conservation kits to customers upon request, as part of residential surveys, and as part of school education curriculum	All residential market segments
Pop-Up Nozzle Irrigation System Distribution	Offer high-efficiency pop-up irrigation nozzles through customer vouchers or direct install.	All customer segments
Public Information/Education	Provide conservation messaging via radio, bill inserts, direct mail, and other appropriate methods. Provide schools with age appropriate educational materials and activities. Continue sponsorship of Disney Planet Challenge program.	All customer segments
NON-CORE PROGRAMS		
Toilet/Urinal Direct Install Program	Offer direct installation programs for replacement of non-HE toilets and urinals	All customer segments
Smart Irrigation Controller Contractor Incentives	Offer contractor incentives for installation of smart irrigation controllers	All customer segments
Large Landscape Water Use Reports	Expand existing Cal Water Large Landscape Water Use Report Program providing large landscape customers with monthly water use reports and budgets	Non residential customers with significant landscape water use and potential savings
Large Landscape Surveys & Irrigation System Incentives	Provide surveys and irrigation system upgrade financial incentives to large landscape customers participating in the Large Landscape Water Use Reports programs and other targeted customers	Non residential customers with significant landscape water use and potential savings
Food Industry Rebates/Vouchers	Offer customer/dealer/distributor rebates/vouchers for high-efficiency dishwashers, food steamers, ice machines, and pre-rinse spray valves	Food and drink establishments, institutional food service providers
Cooling Tower Retrofits	Offer customer/dealer/distributor rebates/vouchers of cooling tower retrofits	Non-residential market segments with significant HVAC water use
Industrial Process Audits and Retrofit Incentives	Offer engineering audits/surveys and financial incentives for process water efficiency improvement	Non-residential market segments with significant industrial process water uses

6.3 Benefit-Cost Analysis of Core and Non Core Programs

Core and non-core programs were then subjected to a detailed benefit cost analysis, the results of which were used to inform program portfolio development discussed in the next section. The first step in this process was to refine and finalize the savings and cost specifications of each program. The final assumptions for the Chico District programs are provided in Appendix 2.

The program savings and cost assumptions enable the calculation of program benefits and costs to the utility and its ratepayers, and comparisons of these costs in the form of benefit-cost ratios. The tool used to do this comparison was a simplified version of the Alliance for Water Efficiency Tracking Tool. Following are descriptions of how the model calculates and compares conservation program benefits and costs.

Program Benefits

For each acre-foot of water saved by a conservation program in a particular year – and in a particular season – the benefit to the utility is given by that year's/season's avoided cost, as described in Section 2.7. The model calculates the programmatic savings (that is, the savings that can be attributed to the utility program) for each year/season based on the program water savings parameters shown in Appendix 2. Each year's/season's programmatic savings is then multiplied by that year's real-dollar avoided costs to compute the annual program benefits. The model then computes the present value of these benefits.³⁰

Program Costs

For each device/intervention, the model uses the program cost parameters shown in Appendix 2 to compute the annual costs the utility will incur. It then computes the present value of these costs.

Benefit-Cost Ratios

For each program, the benefit-cost ratio (BCR) is the quotient of the present value of the program benefits and the present value of the program costs. A BCR greater than 1 indicates that, over time, the program provides a positive net benefit to the utility and its ratepayers. Table 6-6 shows the BCRs for the Chico District programs. As described in Section 7, these BCRs were a key input to the development of the recommended district conservation portfolio.

³⁰ Present values are computed using a 3.4% real discount rate, which is based on a 6% nominal discount rate and a 2.5% annual inflation rate.

Table 6-6. Chico District Core and Non-Core Program Benefit-Cost Ratios

Program ID	Program Name	Customer Class	BCR
1	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Single Family	0.39
2	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Multi Family	0.75
3	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Commercial	0.25
4	Clotheswasher: Cust Reb or Voucher	Single Family	0.13
5	CW common: Cust Reb or Voucher	Multi Family	0.13
6	CW in-unit: Cust Reb or Voucher	Multi Family	0.09
7	CW coin-op: Cust Reb or Voucher	Commercial	0.16
8	Urinals (0.25 gpf): Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Commercial	0.16
9	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Single Family	0.17
10	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Multi Family	0.44
11	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Commercial	0.15
12	Urinals: Direct Install	Commercial	0.17
13	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Single Family	0.08
14	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Multi Family	0.13
15	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Commercial	0.13
16	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Single Family	0.55
17	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Multi Family	0.55
18	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Commercial	0.55
19	Showerhead/Aerator,Tablet Kit Dist	Single Family	0.15
20	Showerhead/Aerator,Tablet Kit Dist	Multi Family	0.15
21	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Single Family	0.13
22	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Multi Family	0.26
23	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Commercial	0.21
24	Large Landscape Water Use Reports	Irrigation	0.10
25	Lg Lndscp Surveys & Irrig Sys: Rebates	Irrigation	0.13
26	Comm Irrigation System: Rebates	Commercial	0.64
27	Dishwashers: Vendor, Dist & Cont Inc	Commercial	1.62
28	Food Steamers: Cust Rebates	Commercial	0.16
29	Ice Machines: Cust Rebates	Commercial	0.63
30	Pre-Rinse Spray Valves: Cust rebates	Commercial	0.46
31	Cooling Tower Cond Cont: Cust Reb, Inc	Industrial	0.34
32	Cooling Tower pH Cont: Cust Reb, Inc	Industrial	0.35
33	Industrial Process: Audits & Incentives	Industrial	0.26

7 Portfolio Development

7.1 Introduction

This section of the plan presents the recommended conservation program portfolio for Chico District. The program analysis results described in Section 6 provided the starting point for portfolio development. The next step was to determine the annual levels of program activity needed to, at minimum, meet Chico District's water savings targets and local demand management goals. Several considerations informed these decisions, including budgetary constraints included in the current GRC decision, Cal Water conservation program administrative capacity, program market and water savings potential, and the program benefit-cost results presented in Section 6.

7.2 SBx7-7 and MOU Savings Targets

Section 5 showed that, after accounting for water savings from existing water efficiency codes and ordinances, scheduled adjustments to water rates, and past investment in conservation programs, Chico District still needs an additional 14 AF of demand reduction to meet its 2015 SBx7-7 per capita water use target. It also showed that an additional 5 AF of water savings from new programs would be required to satisfy MOU compliance requirements in 2015. Moreover, in order to reach its 2020 SBx7-7 per capita water use target, 2020 demand will need to fall an additional 11% from the 2015 target. The program recommendations presented in this section are designed to both meet the district's 2015 targets and position it to achieve the 2020 targets by establishing a set of programs that can be scaled up over time.

7.3 2011-13 General Rate Case Decision

Cal Water's current GRC decision established conservation budgets for each district for the years 2011-2013. These budgets specify the total annual expenditure on conservation programs allowed under the GRC decision, as well as the maximum amount that can be allocated to (1) program administration and research, (2) public information and school education programs, (3) residential conservation programs, and (4) non-residential conservation programs. Table 7-1 shows these budgetary restrictions for Chico District. These budget constraints effectively limit the amount of conservation the district can implement in 2011-13.

Table 7-1. Chico District GRC Conservation Program Expenditure Constraints

Budget Constraint (\$000)	2011	2012	2013
Overall Budget	\$250.0	\$250.0	\$250.0
Admin & Research	\$31.0	\$31.0	\$31.0
Public Info & School Educ.	\$50.0	\$50.0	\$50.0
Programmatic Activity	\$169.0	\$169.0	\$169.0
Expenditure Caps			
Residential Programs	\$215.4	\$215.4	\$215.4
Non Residential Programs	\$139.9	\$139.9	\$139.9

7.4 Minimum and Maximum Program Levels

For each district, Cal Water specified minimum and maximum program activity levels to guide portfolio development. The minimum levels were those below which it would not be administratively feasible or cost-effective to offer the program in the district, while the maximum levels were those that could reasonably be achieved given district customer characteristics, current market demand, and past experience marketing similar programs/technologies to district customers. As part of development of this plan, Cal Water matched its non-residential customer accounts to North American Industrial Classification (NAICS) 4-digit codes, which enabled it to estimate the number of businesses in each of its districts that would potentially participate in the non-residential programs. It also identified, using a review and analysis of prior consumption, the number of large landscape customers in each district so that it could accurately assess potential participation levels and savings potential for large landscape conservation programs. The constraints placed on annual program activity levels are presented in Appendix 2.

7.5 Recommended Annual Program Activity and Staff Levels

7.5.1 Residential and Non-Residential Conservation Programs

Recommended annual program levels for residential and non-residential programs are shown in Table 7-2. The program levels were derived from the following decision rules:³¹

- For 2011-13, set annual program activity to maximize water savings subject to the GRC conservation program budget constraints and the min/max annual activity constraints. This ensured that the portfolio would reflect the least-cost mix of core and non-core conservation programs consistent with the GRC budget constraints.

³¹ Linear programming models were used to implement the decision rules.

- For 2014-15, set annual activity to minimum program levels. For programs with BCRs greater than one, increase activity to its maximum level. This ensured that the portfolio would benefit ratepayers by helping to lower average water supply costs.
- For 2014-15, if needed to satisfy the 2015 SBx7-7 and MOU Flex Track water savings targets, increase program activity of programs with BCRs less than one in order of cost-effectiveness. This ensured the least-cost set of activity levels needed to achieve the water savings targets.

In Chico District's case, it was necessary to expand bathroom fixture rebate and direct installation programs as well as large landscape surveys/incentives in 2014-15 in order to meet the district-specific SBx7-7 target in 2015.

Table 7-2. Chico District Recommended Residential and Non-Residential Program Levels

Program	Recommended Annual Activity Levels ¹				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
CORE PROGRAMS					
Rebates/Vouchers					
Toilets	150	160	160	350	430
Clothes Washers	90	90	90	90	90
Urinals	0	0	0	0	0
Customer Surveys/Audits	120	120	120	140	140
Conservation Kit Distribution	450	450	450	450	450
Pop-Up Nozzle Distribution	9,300	9,300	9,300	9,300	9,300
NON-CORE PROGRAMS					
Direct Install Toilets/Urinals	130	130	130	600	600
Smart Irr. Controller Vendor Incentives	10	10	10	10	10
Large Landscape Water Use Reports	90	90	90	90	90
Large Landscape Surveys/Incentives	10	10	10	60	60
Commercial Kitchen Rebates/Vouchers	0	0	0	50	50
Cooling Tower/Process Water Retrofit Incentives	0	0	0	0	0
¹ Annual activity levels are aggregated across customer classes and rounded up to the nearest 10 units of activity. Appendix 2 contains the detail modeling results broken down by customer class and program measure.					

7.5.2 Administration & Research

District staff levels and expenditure for administration and research for 2011-13 are set by the current GRC. At present, Cal Water divides its 24 districts into two program management regions which are administered by its two conservation program coordinators. Program reporting and analysis will be conducted by its conservation program analyst. Proposed expenditures for 2014 and 2015 assume two additional conservation program coordinator positions and one additional

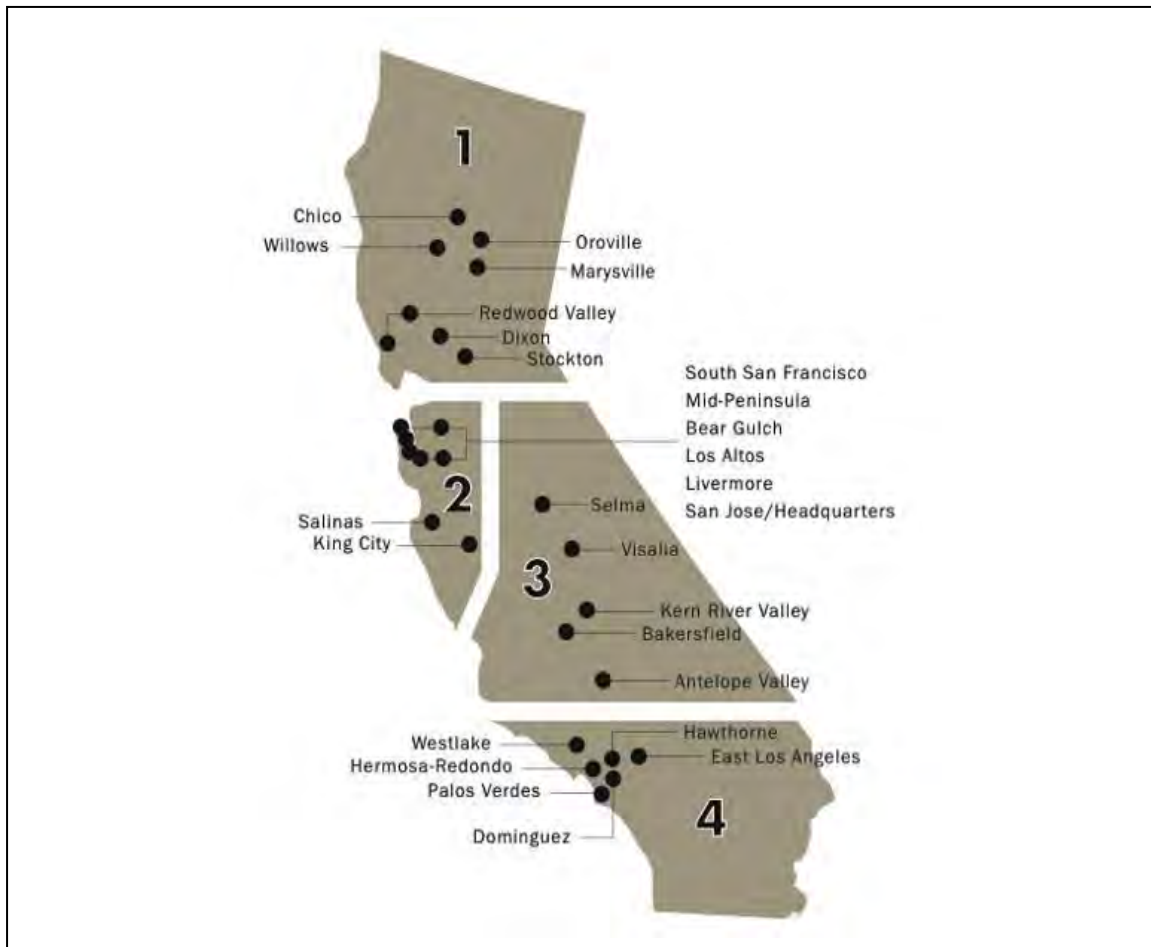
conservation analyst position for a total of seven full-time positions. Given the scale and diversity of programs proposed in this plan and the geographic dispersion of Cal Water's districts, this is the minimum staffing level recommended for program implementation, and assumes Cal Water will divide its 24 districts into four program management regions, as shown in Figure 7-1, with one program coordinator assigned to each region. Chico District would be within program management region 1. Program administration costs for 2014-15 are prorated to the districts based on their share of company-wide conservation program expenditures. Proposed annual expenditures for administration and research for Chico District are shown in Table 7-3.

7.5.3 Public Information & School Education

District expenditure for public information and school education programs in 2011-13 is set by the current GRC. Recommended expenditures in 2014 and 2015 were set to allow some expansion in these programs to support proposed increases in residential and non-residential program levels.³² Recommended annual expenditures for public information and school education programs are shown in Table 7-3.

³² Specifically, the recommended level of expenditure in 2014 and 2015 was set to either 110% of the 2013 public information/school education budget or 10% of recommended expenditures for residential and non-residential programs, whichever was greater. This decision rule ensured continuity with 2011-13 public information/school education program levels while allowing for an expansion of this programming in districts with significant increases in residential and non-residential program activity.

Figure 7-1. Cal Water Conservation Program Management Regions



7.6 Projected Annual Program Expenditures

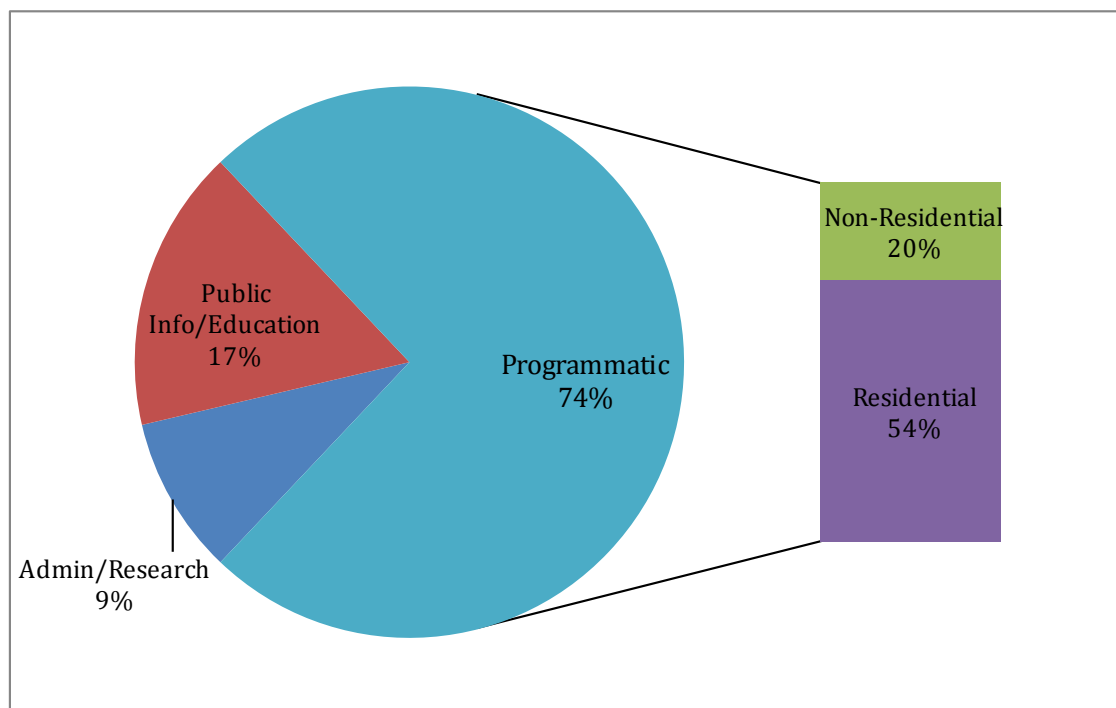
Annual program expenditures based on the recommended program levels and GRC budget allocations are shown in Table 7-3. Appendix 2 provides a detailed breakdown of these expenditures by year and individual program activity. Figure 7-2 shows the recommended expenditure shares by expenditure category over the entirety of the five-year planning period. The plan allocates approximately 74% of projected expenditure to programmatic activity, 17% to public information and education functions, and 9% to program administration and research functions. Within the programmatic expenditure category, 73% of expenditure is for residential programs and 27% is for non-residential programs.

Proposed expenditures in 2014 and 2015 are almost twice the annual program expenditure allowed under the current GRC. The increase in program expenditure is needed for the district to meet its 2015 SBx7-7 target.

Table 7-3. Chico District Projected Annual Conservation Expenditures

Expenditure Category	Projected Annual Expenditures (\$000)				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Program Costs:					
Residential	\$118.9	\$120.0	\$120.0	\$278.7	\$290.5
Non-Residential	\$50.1	\$49.0	\$49.0	\$99.5	\$99.5
Program Subtotal	\$169.0	\$169.0	\$169.0	\$378.2	\$390.0
Admin/Research	\$31.0	\$31.0	\$31.0	\$28.8	\$37.6
Public Info/Education	\$50.0	\$50.0	\$50.0	\$67.6	\$67.6
TOTAL ANNUAL	\$250.0	\$250.0	\$250.0	\$474.6	\$495.2

Figure 7-2. Chico District 2011-15 Conservation Expenditure Shares



7.7 Projected Portfolio Water Savings

Table 7-4 and Table 7-5 show projected annual water savings broken down by program category and customer class, respectively. By 2015 projected water savings are approximately 425 AF. Programs impacting residential water demands account for 78% of these savings, while programs impacting commercial, industrial, and irrigation demands account for 22%.

Table 7-4. Chico District Projected Water Savings by Program

Program	Annual Water Savings (AF)				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
CORE PROGRAMS					
Rebates/Vouchers					
Toilets	5.2	11.6	17.7	31.1	46.1
Clothes Washers	1.5	2.9	4.3	5.9	7.4
Urinals	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Customer Surveys/Audits	5.7	10.8	15.5	24.4	32.4
Conservation Kit Distribution	7.0	13.1	18.5	23.3	27.5
Pop-Up Nozzle Distribution	37.2	74.4	111.6	148.7	185.9
Subtotal Core Programs	56.5	112.8	167.5	233.3	299.3
NON-CORE PROGRAMS					
Direct Install Toilets/Urinals	4.6	9.0	13.2	42.7	70.9
Smart Irr. Controller Vendor Incentives	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3
Large Landscape Water Use Reports	4.2	4.2	4.2	8.4	8.4
Large Landscape Surveys/Incentives	2.7	4.2	5.7	14.8	23.8
Commercial Kitchen Rebates/Vouchers	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.9	21.8
Cooling Tower/Process Water Retrofit Incentives	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Subtotal Non-Core Programs	11.6	17.5	23.3	77.0	125.3
Total Core and Non-Core Program Savings	68.1	130.4	190.9	310.3	424.5

Table 7-5. Chico District Projected Water Savings by Customer Class

Customer Class	Annual Water Savings (AF)				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Single Family	41.2	81.3	120.2	158.2	197.5
Multi Family	11.7	24.4	36.7	86.1	133.4
Commercial/Industrial	10.3	19.1	27.7	54.3	80.6
Irrigation	4.9	5.5	6.2	11.7	13.1
Total Water Savings	68.1	130.4	190.9	310.3	424.5

7.8 Projected Water Demands

Table 7-6 compares per capita water use under the recommended portfolio to per capita use under the adjusted baseline and SBx7-7 target. Per capita use under the recommended portfolio is 257 gpcd, which is just sufficient to meet the district-specific 2015 SBx7-7 target. Under this portfolio, per capita demand will need to decrease an additional 11% between 2015 and 2020 in order to meet the 2020 SBx7-7 per capita target.

Table 7-6. Chico District Recommended Portfolio Projected 2015 Demand

Demand Projection	Demand (GPCD)	Difference from Adjusted Baseline (GPCD)
Adjusted Baseline	261	
SBx7-7 Target	257	-3
Recommended Portfolio	257	-3

Table 7-7 shows projected 2015 per capita demands for each of the five districts based on the conservation plans being proposed for each district. Assuming each district's 2015 per capita demand is no greater than shown in the table, average per capita demand for the five districts would meet the regional target and all five districts would be in compliance with SBx7-7 requirements.

If savings from meter conversion and scheduled increases in rates turn out to be less than estimated, the regional compliance option may provide Chico District with another path to comply with SBx7-7 requirements.

Table 7-7. Sac. River Regional Alliance 2015 Average Per Capita Demand

District	2015 Projected Population	2015 Projected Demand (GPCD)
Chico	111,410	257
Dixon	9,620	154
Marysville	12,553	186
Oroville	10,020	309
Willows	7,290	221
Average GPCD¹		246
Regional Target		250

¹Population-weighted average per capita demand.

7.9 Program Cut Sheets

As part of plan development, one page program summaries, or "cut sheets," were developed for each recommended program. These cut sheets provide a quick reference summarizing program design and marketing, expected level of customer participation, projected water savings, and proposed program expenditure for the period 2011 – 2015. Appendix 1 includes a copy of each program cut sheet for Chico District.

8 Plan Monitoring and Updates

8.1 Introduction

This conservation master plan is a working document and, as such, will need to be modified and updated as new information becomes available. Cal Water will need to regularly review the plan and make adjustments to it as appropriate. This section of the plan describes key monitoring and updating activities Cal Water anticipates undertaking following plan implementation

8.2 Program Tracking

Cal Water intends to adopt conservation program tracking software that it can use to track and manage its core and non-core programs. Such software will help Cal Water track customer participation in its programs, manage program materials, track program costs, and estimate program water savings. Cal Water will conduct a review of tracking software options in early 2011 with the goal of selecting the deploying the software in spring 2011.

8.3 2014-16 General Rate Case

Implementation of the recommended programs in 2014 and 2015 is contingent upon the outcome of Cal Water's 2014-16 GRC. Cal Water will not know until late 2013 whether the CPUC will approve the 2014-15 conservation program budgets proposed in this plan. Cal Water will submit its initial filing for the 2014-16 GRC in July 2012. Prior to that filing, Cal Water may elect to update this plan to reflect new information and changed circumstances affecting the baseline water demands, calculated water savings targets, recommended conservation programs, projected water savings, and proposed conservation program budgets.

8.4 2015 UWMP

Under SBx7-7 water suppliers may update their baseline demands and per capita water use targets in their 2015 UWMP. As part of its 2015 UWMP preparation, Cal Water may elect to update its baseline demand estimates and gpcd targets, if new information warrants doing so. Depending on the final methodology adopted by DWR for the fourth target calculation method, Cal Water may decide to update the SBx7-7 targets included in the plan using this alternative methodology.

8.5 MOU Flex Track Target

The CUWCC-sanctioned tools for calculating the Flex Track target for MOU compliance were not available during this plans development. Therefore, Cal Water used its own Flex Track calculator to calculate the required volume of water savings. CUWCC tools for calculating the Flex Track target are expected to be available sometime in early 2011. Cal Water may elect to update this plan to reflect a revised Flex Track target based on a CUWCC-sanctioned Flex Track target calculator.

8.6 Water Savings Verification

Cal Water intends to undertake various research projects to verify water savings projections included in these plans. For example, Cal Water and San Jose State University Research Foundation are jointly undertaking a study of realized water savings from converting customers from flat rate to metered billing. This study is expected to commence in early 2011. Results from studies such as this one will be used by Cal Water to update the water savings projections contained in this plan.

8.7 Local Codes and Ordinances

Water waste prohibitions and codes and ordinances affecting new construction and landscape design and irrigation enacted by cities and counties in the communities served by Cal Water may alter demands in ways not anticipated by this plan.³³ Cal Water will work with local planning and enforcement departments to ensure that its conservation programs are consistent with and complementary to local water use codes and ordinances, and may elect to modify the design or level of implementation of programs included in the plan in order to do so.

8.8 2015 Plan Update

Cal Water plans to update these plans no less frequently than every five years. These plan updates will correspond to the update and reporting cycle for the UWMPs Cal Water prepares for each district every five years. Plan updates may entail adjustment of existing programs and addition of new programs based on performance history, community input, and changes to state and local conservation requirements.

³³ For example, AB 1881, passed in 2006, gave cities and counties until January 2010 to update an existing or adopt a new landscape water use ordinance to comply with the state's updated model landscape ordinance.

Appendix 1

Conservation Program Cut Sheets

The program cut sheets in this appendix provide a quick reference summarizing program design and marketing, expected level of customer participation, projected water savings, and proposed program expenditure for the period 2011 – 2015.



High Efficiency Toilet Rebate Program

Chico District

Program Description

High-efficiency toilets use approximately 70% less water than non-efficient toilets and 20% less water than ultra-low flush toilets. This program will provide customer incentives for residential and non-residential high-efficiency toilets. Cal Water will centrally administer the program as part of a company-wide toilet rebate program.



Program Marketing

This program will be available to all residential and non-residential customers. Cal Water will market the program through direct mail, print media, bill stuffers, and its website. Expected program participation levels (rounded up to nearest 10 units) are shown in the table to the right.



Year	Rebate Goal
2011	150
2012	190
2013	190
2014	350
2015	430

*Combined goal for single family, multi family, and commercial toilet rebates.

IMPLEMENTATION COST

Costs Per Rebate and Per AF of Water Savings: Program costs vary by fixture type and customer class. Expected program costs per fixture (including marketing and administration) and per AF of water savings are shown below.

Customer Class	Program Cost (\$/Rebate)	Water Savings (\$/AF)
Single Family	\$150	\$470
Multi Family	\$130	\$240
Non-Residential	\$250	\$710

*Costs rounded to nearest \$10.

WATER SAVINGS

Fixture and Program Savings: Projected water savings per fixture vary by customer class. Projected savings per fixture, and annual and lifetime program water savings are shown below.

Customer Class	Unit Savings (gal/yr)	Lifetime Savings (AF/Rebate)
Single Family	8,600	0.5
Multi Family	14,800	0.9
Non-Residential	9,600	0.6

*Unit savings rounded to nearest 100 gal.

Year	Annual Program Cost
2011	\$24,600
2012	\$28,700
2013	\$28,700
2014	\$50,200
2015	\$62,600
Five-Year Cost	\$194,800

*Annual cost rounded to nearest \$100.

Year	Water Savings (AF)
2011	5.2
2012	11.6
2013	17.7
2014	31.1
2015	46.1
5-Year Total Savings	111.7



High Efficiency Clothes Washer Rebate Program

Chico District



Program Description

Washing clothes is the second biggest use of water inside most homes, accounting for approximately 20% of indoor water use for a typical family. High-efficiency clothes washers can cut this water use by up to 60%, and save a significant amount of energy too. Unfortunately, many households and businesses are still purchasing low-efficiency washers because of their

lower up-front purchase cost. Rebates are an effective way to level the playing field.

This program will provide customer incentives for residential and non-residential high-efficiency clothes washers. The program will target single-family households, multi-family units, multi-family common laundry areas, and commercial coin-op laundries.

Cal Water will centrally administer the program as part of a company-wide toilet rebate program.



Program Marketing

This program will be available to all residential and non-residential customers. Cal Water will market the program through direct mail, print media, bill stuffers, and its website. Expected program participation levels (rounded up to nearest 10 units) are shown in the table below.

Year	Rebate Goal
2011	90
2012	90
2013	90
2014	90
2015	90

*Combined rebates for single family, multi family, and commercial customers.

IMPLEMENTATION COST

Costs per Rebate and per AF of Water Savings: Program costs vary by fixture type and customer class. Expected program costs per rebate (including marketing and administration) and per AF of water savings are shown below.

Washer Location	Program Cost (\$/Rebate)	Water Savings (\$/AF)
Single Family	\$170	\$1,200
Multi Family - In Unit	\$170	\$1,640
Multi Family - Common	\$460	\$950
Commercial Coin-op	\$460	\$760

Year	Annual Program Cost
2011	\$14,700
2012	\$14,700
2013	\$14,700
2014	\$15,900
2015	\$15,900
Five-Year Cost	\$75,900

*Annual cost rounded to nearest \$100.

WATER SAVINGS

Fixture and Program Savings: Projected water savings per fixture vary by customer class. Projected savings per fixture, and annual and lifetime program water savings are shown below.

Customer Class	Unit Savings (gal/yr)	Lifetime Savings (AF/Rebate)
Single Family	7,100	0.3
Multi Family - In Unit	5,200	0.2
Multi Family - Common	25,300	1.1
Commercial Coin-op	31,400	1.3

Year	Water Savings (AF)
2011	1.5
2012	2.9
2013	4.3
2014	5.9
2015	7.4
Total Five-Year Savings	22.0



Toilet/Urinal Direct Install Program

Chico District

Program Description

High-efficiency toilets and urinals use significantly less water than non-efficient models. This program will offer direct installation of high-efficiency toilets and urinals to Cal Water residential and commercial customers. The program will primarily target multi-family and commercial properties with older plumbing fixtures, where water savings potential is greatest.

Residential direct installations will include high-efficiency showerhead replacement and bathroom faucet aerators, in addition to toilet replacement. On the commercial side,

the program will replace non-efficient toilets and flush valves for both toilets and urinals.

Cal Water will centrally administer the program as part of a company-wide program.

Program Marketing

Cal Water will market this program primarily to multi-family and commercial properties with older plumbing fixtures using direct mail. Expected program participation levels (rounded up to nearest 10 units) are shown in the table to the right.

Year	Program Production Goal
2011	130
2012	130
2013	130
2014	600
2015	600

*Combined goal for single family, multi family, and commercial direct installations.



IMPLEMENTATION COST

Costs Per Rebate and Per AF of Water Savings: Program costs vary by fixture type and customer class. Expected program costs per fixture (including marketing and administration) and per AF of water savings are shown below.

Customer Class/ Fixture	Program Cost (\$/Install)	Water Savings (\$/AF)
Single Family	\$400	\$1,080
Multi Family	\$270	\$410
Comm. Toilet	\$500	\$1,190
Comm. Urinal	\$240	\$1,030

*Rounded to nearest \$10.

Year	Annual Program Cost
2011	\$43,100
2012	\$43,100
2013	\$43,100
2014	\$168,400
2015	\$168,400
Five-Year Cost	\$466,100

*Annual cost rounded to nearest \$100.

WATER SAVINGS

Fixture and Program Savings: Projected annual and lifetime water savings per fixture and for the five-year program are shown below.

Customer Class/ Fixture	Unit Savings (gal/yr)	Lifetime Savings (AF/Installation)
Single Family	10,200	0.6
Multi Family	17,600	1.1
Comm. Toilet	11,500	0.7
Comm. Urinal	6,200	0.4

*Unit savings rounded to nearest 100 gal.

Year	Program Water Savings (AF)
2011	4.6
2012	9.0
2013	13.2
2014	42.7
2015	70.9
Five-Year Total Savings	140.4



Residential & Commercial Survey Program

Chico District

Program Description

This program will provide residential and non-residential water use surveys to Cal Water customers. Residential surveys will evaluate a customer's indoor and outdoor water use and provide information on how to reduce household water use. Customers will receive a report with specific water saving recommendations as well as information on available Cal Water

conservation rebate programs that may benefit them. Multi family and commercial surveys will be used to assist high-bill customers, as well as to screen potential properties for the bathroom fixture direct installation program (if available in the district).

Surveys will be conducted by trained professionals. Cal Water will centrally administer the program as part of a company-wide program.

Program Marketing

This program will be available to all residential and non-residential customers. Cal Water will market the program through direct mail, print media, bill stuffers, and its website. Expected program participation levels (rounded up to nearest 10 units) are shown in the table to the right.

Year	Survey Goal
2011	120
2012	120
2013	120
2014	140
2015	140

*Combined surveys for single family, multi family, and commercial customers.



IMPLEMENTATION COST

Costs Per Rebate and Per AF of Water Savings: Program costs vary by fixture type and customer class. Expected program costs per fixture (including marketing and administration) and per AF of water savings are shown below.

Customer Class	Program Cost (\$/Survey)	Water Savings (\$/AF)
Single Family	\$210	\$1,470
Multi Family	\$900	\$890
Non-Residential	\$1,070	\$1,300

*Cost rounded to nearest dollar. Water savings cost rounded to nearest \$10. Multi family program cost is per property complex.

WATER SAVINGS

Fixture and Program Savings: Projected water savings per fixture vary by customer class. Projected savings per fixture, and annual and lifetime program water savings are shown below.

Customer Class	Unit Savings (gal/yr)	Lifetime Savings (AF/Survey)
Single Family	12,300	0.2
Multi Family	87,100	1.1
Non-Residential	46,900	0.6

*Unit savings rounded to nearest 100 gal/yr.

Year	Annual Program Cost
2011	\$33,900
2012	\$33,900
2013	\$33,900
2014	\$50,800
2015	\$50,800
Five-Year Cost	\$203,300

*Annual cost rounded to nearest \$100.

Year	Water Savings (AF)
2011	5.7
2012	10.8
2013	15.5
2014	24.4
2015	32.4
Five-Year Savings	88.8



Residential Conservation Kit Distribution Program

Chico District

Program Description

This program will offer Cal Water residential customers conservation kits featuring a range of water-saving plumbing retrofit fixtures. Kits will be available at no charge to customers, who can request them via Cal Water's website, via mail, or by contacting or visiting their district.

Each kit can include up to two of each of the following items: high-efficiency

showerhead, kitchen faucet aerator, bathroom faucet aerator, full-stop hose nozzle, and toilet leak detection tablets. Customers may customize items and quantities included in their kit.

Cal Water will centrally administer this program as part of a company-wide program operated in each of its 24 service districts.

Year	Kits Distributed
2011	450
2012	450
2013	450
2014	450
2015	450



Program Marketing

This program will be available to all residential customers. Cal Water will market the program through direct mail, print media, bill stuffers, and through its website. Expected program participation levels (rounded up to nearest 10 units) are shown in the table to the right.



IMPLEMENTATION COST

Costs Per Nozzle and Per AF of Water Savings: Bulk purchasing will help keep program costs low. Kit distribution costs about \$29/kit, including the costs for the kit, marketing, and administration.

Fixture	Program Cost (\$/Kit)	Water Savings (\$/AF)
Residential Conservation Kit	\$29	\$550

*Water savings cost rounded to nearest \$10.

Year	Annual Program Cost
2011	\$13,600
2012	\$13,600
2013	\$13,600
2014	\$13,600
2015	\$13,600
Five-Year Cost	\$68,000

*Annual cost rounded to nearest \$100.

WATER SAVINGS

Kit and Program Savings: Projected savings per kit are based on prior program experience and assume a 50% to 60% installation rate for each device included in the kit. Annual and lifetime savings per kit and for the five-year program are shown below.

Fixture	Unit Savings (gal/yr)	Lifetime Savings (gal/Kit)
Residential Conservation Kit	5,100	25,500

*Unit savings rounded to nearest 100 gal/yr. Savings assumed to last five years.

Year	Water Savings (AF)
2011	7.0
2012	13.1
2013	18.5
2014	23.3
2015	27.5
Five-Year Total Savings	89.4



Sprinkler Nozzle Distribution Program

Chico District

Program Description

Water efficient sprinkler nozzles use up to 20% less water than a standard sprinkler head by distributing water more slowly and uniformly to the landscape. In addition to reducing water use, water directed from these nozzles reduces run-off onto streets and sidewalks with a more directed flow.

Customers will be able to obtain the

nozzles either directly through Cal Water or via a web-voucher program. Restrictions on the number of nozzles individual customers may receive will vary by customer class and/or landscape size.

Cal Water will centrally administer this program as part of a company-wide program operated in each of its 24 service districts.



Program Marketing

This program will be available to all residential and non-residential customers. Cal Water will market the program through direct mail, print media, bill stuffers, and its website. Expected program participation levels (rounded up to nearest 10 units) are shown in the table to the right.

Year	Nozzles Distributed
2011	9,300
2012	9,300
2013	9,300
2014	9,300
2015	9,300

IMPLEMENTATION COST

Costs Per Nozzle and Per AF of Water Savings: Bulk purchasing will help keep program costs low. Nozzles are expected to cost about \$3/nozzle. Program marketing and administration is estimated at under \$1/nozzle.

Fixture	Program Cost (\$/Nozzle)	Water Savings (\$/AF)
Sprinkler Nozzle	\$4	\$190

*Fixture cost rounded to nearest dollar. Water savings cost rounded to nearest \$10.

Year	Annual Program Cost
2011	\$34,500
2012	\$34,500
2013	\$34,500
2014	\$34,500
2015	\$34,500
Five-Year Cost	\$172,500

*Annual cost rounded to nearest \$100.

WATER SAVINGS

Nozzle and Program Savings: Projected savings per nozzle, and annual and lifetime program water savings are shown below. These estimates are based on Metropolitan Water District's Save Water-Save A Buck program estimates.

Fixture	Unit Savings (gal/yr)	Lifetime Savings (gal)
Sprinkler Nozzle	1,300	6,500

*Unit savings rounded to nearest 100 gal/yr. Nozzles assumed to have a five-year useful life.

Year	Water Savings (AF)
2011	37.2
2012	74.4
2013	111.6
2014	148.7
2015	185.9
Five-Year Total Savings	557.8



Smart Irrigation Controller Distribution Program

Chico District



Program Description

Weather-based “smart” irrigation controllers allow for more accurate, customized irrigation by automatically adjusting the schedule and amount of water in response to changing weather conditions. Empirical studies have shown savings of 15% to 25% of irrigation water use.

This program will target residential and non-residential customers with high landscape water use. The program will

offer incentives to either the customer or contractor for proper installation of the Smart Controller at customer sites.

The landscape contractor has the direct relationship with customers and is typically the entity customers listen to when making landscape and irrigation decisions. The program will educate contractors about the customer benefits of Smart Controllers along with proper installation of the devices.

Program Marketing

This program will be offered to all residential and non-residential customers. Cal Water will market the program through direct mail, print media, bill stuffers, and its website. Expected program participation levels (rounded up to nearest 10 units) are shown in the table to the right.

Year	Distribution Goal
2011	10
2012	10
2013	10
2014	10
2015	10



IMPLEMENTATION COST

Costs Per Rebate and Per AF of Water Savings: Program costs vary by rebate and customer class. Expected program costs per rebate (including marketing and administration) and per AF of water savings are shown below.

Customer Class	Program Cost (\$/Rebate)	Water Savings (\$/AF)
Single Family	\$480	NA
Multi Family	\$480	NA
Non-Residential	\$480	\$990

*Rebate cost rounded to nearest dollar. Water savings cost rounded to nearest \$10.

Year	Annual Program Cost
2011	\$500
2012	\$500
2013	\$500
2014	\$500
2015	\$500
Five-Year Cost	\$2,500

*Annual cost rounded to nearest \$100.

WATER SAVINGS

Rebate and Program Savings: Projected water savings per rebate vary by customer class. Projected savings per rebate, and annual and lifetime program water savings are shown below.

Customer Class	Unit Savings (gal/yr)	Lifetime Savings (AF/Rebate)
Single Family	9,200	0.3
Multi Family	17,800	0.5
Non-Residential	17,800	0.5

*Unit savings rounded to nearest 100 gal/yr.

Year	Water Savings (AF)
2011	0.1
2012	0.1
2013	0.2
2014	0.2
2015	0.3
Five-Year Total Savings	0.9



Large Landscape Water Use Report Program

Chico District



Program Description

A landscape water budget calculates the recommended amount of water for irrigation based on landscape size, plant mix, weather, and season. Empirical studies have shown that providing customers with landscape budgets can reduce irrigation water use by 10% to 20%.

This program will provide participating large landscape customers monthly

reports comparing actual landscape water use to their budget. The reports will show whether irrigation is excessive and how much the customer's water costs could fall by irrigating more efficiently. Customers having trouble staying within budget may request a large landscape site evaluation and may be eligible for landscape equipment incentives.

Program Marketing

Cal Water is already implementing this program in several districts. The program will be expanded to more customers in these districts and extended to other districts. Satellite imagery and billing data are used to identify good candidates for the program. Expected program participation levels (rounded up to nearest 10 units) are shown in the table to the right.



Year	Participating Large Landscapes
2011	50
2012	50
2013	50
2014	90
2015	90

IMPLEMENTATION COST

Costs per Property and per AF of Water Savings: Expected program costs per property (including marketing and administration) and per AF of water savings are shown below. Costs per property include the amortized one-time cost to measure the property's landscape area and set up the budget.

Customer Type	Program Cost (\$/Yr/Property)	Water Savings (\$/AF)
Customers with Significant Landscape Area	\$60	\$710

*rounded to nearest \$10.

Year	Annual Program Cost
2011	\$3,000
2012	\$3,000
2013	\$3,000
2014	\$6,000
2015	\$6,000
Five-Year Cost	\$21,000

*Annual cost rounded to nearest \$100.

WATER SAVINGS

Program Savings: Projected average annual and lifetime water savings per property are shown below. Cumulative program water savings over five-years are also shown.

Customer Type	Unit Savings (gal/yr)	Lifetime Savings (AF)
Customers with Significant Landscape Area	31,200	2.4

*Unit savings rounded to nearest 100 gallons. Lifetime savings calculated

Year	Water Savings (AF)
2011	4.2
2012	4.2
2013	4.2
2014	8.4
2015	8.4
Five-Year Total Savings	29.4



Large Landscape Surveys

Chico District



Program Description

This program will provide landscape water use evaluations, recommendations, and education to commercial and industrial customers with significant landscaped area.

Participating customers will receive a detailed assessment of the water use efficiency of their current landscape and

irrigation system. Participants will receive a report summarizing the results of the assessment and recommended changes to irrigation systems and practices.

Program Marketing

Cal Water is already implementing this program in several districts. The program will be expanded to more customers in these districts and extended to other districts. This program will target HOA, apartment complex, commercial, and industrial properties with significant landscape water use. Customers participating in Cal Water's Landscape Water Use Report program will be the primary targets for program participation. Expected program participation levels (rounded up to nearest 10 units) are shown in the table to the right.



Year	Participating Large Landscapes
2011	10
2012	10
2013	10
2014	10
2015	10

IMPLEMENTATION COST

Costs per Property and per AF of Water Savings: Expected program costs per survey (including marketing and administration) and per AF of water savings are shown below.

Target Participant	Program Cost (\$/Survey)	Water Savings (\$/AF)
Customers with Significant Landscape Area	\$1,400	\$920

*rounded to nearest \$10.

WATER SAVINGS

Program Savings: Projected average annual and lifetime water savings per survey are shown below. Cumulative program water savings over five-years are also shown.

Target Participant	Unit Savings (gal/yr)	Lifetime Savings (AF/Survey)
Customers with Significant Landscape Area	107,400	1.6

*Unit savings rounded to nearest 100 gallons.

Year	Annual Program Cost
2011	\$2,900
2012	\$2,900
2013	\$2,900
2014	\$5,900
2015	\$5,900
Five-Year Cost	\$20,500

*Annual cost rounded to nearest \$100.

Year	Water Savings (AF)
2011	0.7
2012	1.3
2013	2.0
2014	3.3
2015	4.6
Five-Year Total Savings	11.9



Irrigation System Rebates

Chico District



Program Description

This program will provide customized irrigation system rebates to commercial and industrial customers with significant landscaped area.

Participating customers can receive rebates on a variety of irrigation system equipment and changes to landscape, including commercial-grade weather-

based controllers, rotating sprinkler nozzles, and replacement of turf or other high-water use landscape with climate-appropriate low-water use landscape. Eligibility and rebate amounts will be determined on a customer-by-customer basis.

Program Marketing

This program will target HOA, apartment complex, commercial, and industrial properties with significant landscape water use. The program will be marketed primarily through direct mail and via landscape contractor networks. Expected program participation levels (rounded up to nearest 10 units) are shown in the table to the right.

Year	Participating Customers
2011	20
2012	10
2013	10
2014	50
2015	50



IMPLEMENTATION COST

Costs per Rebate and per AF of Water Savings: Expected program costs per rebate (including marketing and administration) and per AF of water savings are shown below. Individual rebate amounts will vary by participant. The amount shown below is the average rebate amount across all expected participants.

Target Participant	Program Cost (\$/Rebate)	Water Savings (\$/AF)
Customers with Significant Landscape Area	\$520	\$370

*rounded to nearest \$10.

Year	Annual Program Cost
2011	\$6,800
2012	\$2,700
2013	\$2,700
2014	\$25,400
2015	\$25,400
Five-Year Cost	\$63,000

*Annual cost rounded to nearest \$100.

WATER SAVINGS

Program Savings: Projected average annual and lifetime water savings per rebate are shown below. Cumulative program water savings over five-years are also shown.

Target Participant	Unit Savings (gal/yr)	Lifetime Savings (AF/Rebate)
Customers with Significant Landscape Area	53,700	1.7

*Unit savings rounded to nearest 100 gallons.

Year	Water Savings (AF)
2011	2.1
2012	2.9
2013	3.7
2014	11.5
2015	19.2
Five-Year Total Savings	39.4



Commercial Kitchen Rebate Program

Chico District



commercial and institutional customers with significant kitchen water use.

Cal Water will centrally administer the program. The program will be offered in all Cal Water Districts starting in 2014.



Program Description

Potential water savings in commercial kitchens are significant. However, financial barriers often prevent these facilities from taking simple steps to improve water use efficiency.

This program will provide financial incentives for high-efficiency commercial dishwashers, food steamers, ice machines, and pre-rinse spray valves. The program will target

Program Marketing

Cal Water will market this program through direct mail campaigns and its website. Commercial customers with significant kitchen water use participating in Cal Water's commercial survey program will be directed to the program as well. Expected program participation levels (rounded up to nearest 10 units) are shown in the table to the right.

Year	Rebate Goal
2011	0
2012	0
2013	0
2014	50
2015	50

IMPLEMENTATION COST

Costs per Rebate and per AF of Water Savings: Expected program costs per rebate (including marketing and administration) and per AF of water savings are shown below.

Customer Target	Program Cost (\$/Rebate)*	Water Savings (\$/AF)*
Commercial Kitchens	\$650	\$290

*Rounded to nearest \$10. Average cost per rebate or AF based on expected mix of devices rebated.

Year	Annual Program Cost
2011	\$ 0
2012	\$ 0
2013	\$ 0
2014	\$26,100
2015	\$26,100
Five-Year Cost	\$52,200

*Annual cost rounded to nearest \$100.

WATER SAVINGS

Fixture and Program Savings: Projected annual and lifetime water savings per fixture and from program implementation are shown below.

Customer Target	Unit Savings (gal/yr)*	Lifetime Savings (AF/Rebate)
Commercial Kitchens	88,500	2.7

*Rounded to nearest 100 gallons. Average for expected mix of devices rebated.

Year	Water Savings (AF)
2011	0.0
2012	0.0
2013	0.0
2014	10.9
2015	21.8
Five-Year Total Savings	32.7

Appendix 2

Conservation Program Modeling Results

Table A- 1. Chico District Minimum Activity Level Constraints

Activity ID	Activity Name	Customer Class	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
1	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Single Family	59	59	59	59	59
2	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Multi Family	59	59	59	59	59
3	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Commercial	33	33	33	33	33
4	Clotheswasher: Cust Reb or Voucher	Single Family	69	69	69	69	69
5	CW common: Cust Reb or Voucher	Multi Family	1	1	1	1	1
6	CW in-unit: Cust Reb or Voucher	Multi Family	11	11	11	11	11
7	CW coin-op: Cust Reb or Voucher	Commercial	1	1	1	1	1
8	Urinals (0.25 gpf): Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Commercial	0	0	0	0	0
9	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Single Family	39	39	39	39	39
10	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Multi Family	39	39	39	39	39
11	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Commercial	22	22	22	22	22
12	Urinals: Direct Install	Commercial	25	25	25	25	25
13	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Single Family	100	100	100	100	100
14	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Multi Family	3	3	3	3	3
15	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Commercial	9	9	9	9	9
16	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Single Family	2,325	2,325	2,325	2,325	2,325
17	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Multi Family	388	388	388	388	388
18	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Commercial	388	388	388	388	388
19	Showerhead/Aerator,Tablet Kit Dist	Single Family	142	142	142	142	142
20	Showerhead/Aerator,Tablet Kit Dist	Multi Family	29	29	29	29	29
21	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Single Family	0	0	0	0	0
22	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Multi Family	0	0	0	0	0
23	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Commercial	1	1	1	1	1
24	Large Landscape Water Use Reports	Irrigation	44	44	44	88	88
25	Lg Lndscp Surveys & Irrig Sys: Rebates	Irrigation	2	2	2	2	2
26	Comm Irrigation System: Rebates	Commercial	5	5	5	23	23
27	Dishwashers: Vendor, Dist & Cont Inc	Commercial	0	0	0	2	2
28	Food Steamers: Cust Rebates	Commercial	0	0	0	1	1
29	Ice Machines: Cust Rebates	Commercial	0	0	0	2	2
30	Pre-Rinse Spray Valves: Cust rebates	Commercial	0	0	0	5	5
31	Cooling Tower Cond Cont: Cust Reb, Inc	Industrial	0	0	0	0	0
32	Cooling Tower pH Cont: Cust Reb, Inc	Industrial	0	0	0	0	0
33	Industrial Process: Audits & Incentives	Industrial	0	0	0	0	0

Table A- 2. Chico District Maximum Activity Level Constraints

Activity ID	Activity Name	Customer Class	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
1	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Single Family	312	312	312	506	506
2	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Multi Family	157	157	157	254	254
3	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Commercial	130	130	130	212	212
4	Clotheswasher: Cust Reb or Voucher	Single Family	341	341	341	455	455
5	CW common: Cust Reb or Voucher	Multi Family	13	13	13	13	13
6	CW in-unit: Cust Reb or Voucher	Multi Family	80	80	80	80	80
7	CW coin-op: Cust Reb or Voucher	Commercial	3	3	3	3	3
8	Urinals (0.25 gpf): Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Commercial	0	0	0	0	0
9	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Single Family	312	312	312	506	506
10	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Multi Family	314	314	314	508	508
11	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Commercial	174	174	174	283	283
12	Urinals: Direct Install	Commercial	352	352	352	352	352
13	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Single Family	341	341	341	511	511
14	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Multi Family	15	15	15	22	22
15	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Commercial	60	60	60	88	88
16	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Single Family	6,975	6,975	6,975	6,975	6,975
17	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Multi Family	1,162	1,162	1,162	1,162	1,162
18	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Commercial	1,162	1,162	1,162	1,162	1,162
19	Showerhead/Aerator, Tablet Kit Dist	Single Family	371	371	371	371	371
20	Showerhead/Aerator, Tablet Kit Dist	Multi Family	76	76	76	76	76
21	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Single Family	170	170	170	255	255
22	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Multi Family	9	9	9	13	13
23	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Commercial	24	24	24	35	35
24	Large Landscape Water Use Reports	Irrigation	88	88	88	88	88
25	Lg Lndscp Surveys & Irrig Sys: Rebates	Irrigation	4	4	4	4	4
26	Comm Irrigation System: Rebates	Commercial	47	47	47	47	47
27	Dishwashers: Vendor, Dist & Cont Inc	Commercial	0	0	0	8	8
28	Food Steamers: Cust Rebates	Commercial	0	0	0	4	4
29	Ice Machines: Cust Rebates	Commercial	0	0	0	9	9
30	Pre-Rinse Spray Valves: Cust rebates	Commercial	0	0	0	22	22
31	Cooling Tower Cond Cont: Cust Reb, Inc	Industrial	0	0	0	0	0
32	Cooling Tower pH Cont: Cust Reb, Inc	Industrial	0	0	0	0	0
33	Industrial Process: Audits & Incentives	Industrial	0	0	0	0	0

Table A- 3. Chico District Program Savings and Cost Assumptions

Activity ID	Activity Name	Customer Class	Unit Savings (gal/yr)	Useful Life (yrs)	Free Riders (%)	Unit Costs (\$)	Annual Natural Replacement Rate (%)
1	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Single Family	8,558 ----- Based on toilet savings formula in CUWCC Costs & Savings Study. Varies with persons per household. Assumes that replaced toilets are 25% ULFTs, 75% non ULFTs.	25		\$140.00 ----- \$100 rebate + \$40 administration	4.00%
2	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Multi Family	14,803 ----- Based on toilet savings formula in CUWCC Costs & Savings Study. Varies with persons per household. Assumes that replaced toilets are 25% ULFTs, 75% non ULFTs.	25		\$125.00 ----- \$100 rebate + \$25 administration	4.00%
3	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Commercial	9,649 ----- CUWCC CII Toilet Savings Study and Zip Code Toilet Inventory. Assumes 25% of replaced toilets are ULFTs and 75% are not ULFTs.	25		\$240.00 ----- \$200 rebate + \$40 administration	4.00%
4	Clotheswasher: Cust Reb or Voucher	Single Family	7,079 ----- CUWCC Cost and Savings Study, revised 2005.	12	20%	\$165.00 ----- \$125 rebate + \$40 administration	4.00%
5	CW common: Cust Reb or Voucher	Multi Family	25,310 ----- Alliance for Water Efficiency Guide, p. 136.	8		\$440.00 ----- \$400 rebate + \$40 administration	4.17%
6	CW in-unit: Cust Reb or Voucher	Multi Family	5,244 ----- CUWCC Cost and Savings Study, revised 2005.	12	20%	\$165.00 ----- \$125 rebate + \$40 administration	4.17%
7	CW coin-op: Cust Reb or Voucher	Commercial	31,435 ----- Alliance for Water Efficiency Guide, p. 159.	8		\$440.00 ----- \$400 rebate + \$40 administration	4.17%
8	Urinals (0.25 gpf): Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Commercial	9,310 ----- Savings estimate for 0.5 gpf urinal from Alliance for Water Efficiency Library. Savings for 0.25 gpf urinal is 1.5 x the AWE figure.	25		\$340.00 ----- \$300 rebate + \$40 administration	4.00%
9	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Single Family	10,198 ----- Based on toilet savings formula in CUWCC Costs & Savings Study. Varies with persons per household. Based on Cal Water's existing direct install program, assumes that replaced toilets are 10% ULFTs, 50% 5 gpf and 40% 3.5 gpf.	25		\$384.50 ----- Based on Cal Water program experience.	4.00%
10	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Multi Family	17,640 ----- Based on toilet savings formula in CUWCC Costs & Savings Study. Varies with persons per household. Based on Cal Water's existing direct install program, assumes that replaced toilets are 10% ULFTs, 50% 5 gpf and 40% 3.5 gpf.	25		\$254.50 ----- Based on Cal Water program experience.	4.00%
11	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Commercial	11,499 ----- Based on toilet savings formula in CUWCC Costs & Savings Study. Varies with persons per household. Based on Cal Water's existing direct install program, assumes that replaced toilets are 10% ULFTs, 50% 5 gpf and 40% 3.5 gpf.	25		\$479.50 ----- Based on Cal Water program experience.	4.00%
12	Urinals: Direct Install	Commercial	6,207 ----- Alliance for Water Efficiency Library.	25		\$224.50 ----- Based on experience of other water utilities.	4.00%

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13	Audits & Surveys	Single Family	11,753 ----- Chesnutt, T.W., C. N. McSpadden, and D. M. Pekelney, "What is the Reliable Yield from Residential Home Water Survey Programs? The Experience of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power", Proceedings of the American Water Works Association Conference in Anaheim, June 1995.	5		\$201.50 ----- Whitcomb, J. Residential Water Survey Evaluation, Contra Costa Water District, May 2000	
14	Audits & Surveys	Multi Family	82,889 ----- Assumes 5% of per-acct usage	5		\$857.75 ----- Based on \$56 per AF of annual per-acct usage.	
15	Audits & Surveys	Commercial	44,676 ----- Based on AWWARF, <i>Water Use Efficiency in IRP</i> , pg 155-58, CII typical survey savings potential is around 15%. Assuming half of recommended conservation activities are completed, this results in 7.5% savings per audit.	10		\$1,016.50 ----- Based on AWWARF, <i>Water Use Efficiency in IRP</i> , pg 155-58.	
16	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Single Family	1,303 ----- Source: MWDSC Save Water - Save A Buck program assumptions.	5		\$3.53 ----- \$3 per nozzle material cost + \$0.5 per nozzle marketing cost + \$0.03 per nozzle to cover fixed setup costs.	
17	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Multi Family	1,303 ----- Source: MWDSC Save Water - Save A Buck program assumptions.	5		\$3.53 ----- \$3 per nozzle material cost + \$0.5 per nozzle marketing cost + \$0.03 per nozzle to cover fixed setup costs.	
18	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Commercial	1,303 ----- Source: MWDSC Save Water - Save A Buck program assumptions.	5		\$3.53 ----- \$3 per nozzle material cost + \$0.5 per nozzle marketing cost + \$0.03 per nozzle to cover fixed setup costs.	
19	Showerhead/Aerator,Tablet Kit Dist	Single Family	5,091 ----- Based on Cal Water program experience: 2.628 gpy showerhead 821 gpy kitchen aerator 1.642 gpy bathroom aerator	5		\$29.00 ----- Based on Cal Water program experience: \$26 for kit + \$3 for marketing	12.00%
20	Showerhead/Aerator,Tablet Kit Dist	Multi Family	5,091 ----- Based on Cal Water program experience: 2.628 gpy showerhead 821 gpy kitchen aerator 1.642 gpy bathroom aerator	5		\$29.00 ----- Based on Cal Water program experience: \$26 for kit + \$3 for marketing	12.00%
21	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Single Family	9,152 ----- Based on district-specific landscape savings model.	10		\$460.00 ----- Required vendor incentive assumed to be less than estimated \$530 customer rebate.	
22	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Multi Family	17,800 ----- Based on district-specific landscape savings model.	10		\$460.00 ----- Required vendor incentive assumed to be less than estimated \$530 customer rebate.	

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23	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Commercial	17,800 Based on district-specific landscape savings model.	10	\$460.00 ----- Required vendor incentive assumed to be less than estimated \$530 customer rebate.	
24	Large Landscape Water Use Reports	Irrigation	31,245 ----- Based on district-specific landscape savings model.	1	\$64.99 ----- Set up cost of \$142 amortized over 10 years, plus \$48/year report cost.	
25	Lg Lndscp Surveys & Irrig Sys: Rebates	Irrigation	107,379 ----- Based on district-specific landscape savings model.	5	\$1,400.00	
26	Comm Irrigation System: Rebates	Commercial	53,689 ----- Based on district-specific landscape savings model.	10	\$515.00	
27	Dishwashers: Vendor, Dist & Cont Inc	Commercial	57,757 ----- Source: Alliance for Water Efficiency Library	20	\$330.00 ----- Source: Alliance for Water Efficiency Library. Incentive is half the cost difference between conventional and water-efficient machines.	
28	Food Steamers: Cust Rebates	Commercial	81,407 ----- Source: MOU pp. 45-46.	10	\$2,411.00 ----- Half of average fixture cost from industry sources + marketing + admin cost	
29	Ice Machines: Cust Rebates	Commercial	271,739 ----- Source: MOU pp. 45-46.	10	\$1,985.00 ----- Half of fixture cost in CUWCC PBMP Year 2 Report + admin + mktg	
30	Pre-Rinse Spray Valves: Cust rebates	Commercial	28,285 ----- Industry sources	5	\$110.00 ----- Half of estimated fixture cost + admin	
31	Cooling Tower Cond Cont: Cust Reb, Inc	Industrial	336,129 ----- Source: MOU pp. 45-46.	5	\$1,000.00 ----- Based on Cal Water program experience.	
32	Cooling Tower pH Cont: Cust Reb, Inc	Industrial	1,296,502 ----- Source: MOU pp. 45-46.	5	\$3,810.00 ----- Industry data + admin costs	
33	Industrial Process: Audits & Incentives	Industrial	325,851 ----- Activity levels and costs expressed relative to AF of savings.	5	\$1,282.80 ----- Based on experience of other water utilities. Includes cost of audit + rebate per AF savings	

Table A- 4. Chico District Program Activity Levels

Activity ID	Program	Class	Annual Activity Levels				
			2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
1	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Single Family	59	59	59	59	143
2	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Multi Family	59	90	90	254	254
3	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Commercial	33	33	33	33	33
4	Clotheswasher: Cust Reb or Voucher	Single Family	69	69	69	69	69
5	CW common: Cust Reb or Voucher	Multi Family	1	1	1	1	1
6	CW in-unit: Cust Reb or Voucher	Multi Family	11	11	11	11	11
7	CW coin-op: Cust Reb or Voucher	Commercial	1	1	1	3	3
8	Urinals (0.25 gpf): Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Commercial	0	0	0	0	0
9	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Single Family	39	39	39	39	39
10	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Multi Family	39	39	39	508	508
11	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Commercial	22	22	22	22	22
12	Urinals: Direct Install	Commercial	25	25	25	25	25
13	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Single Family	100	100	100	100	100
14	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Multi Family	3	3	3	22	22
15	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Commercial	9	9	9	9	9
16	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Single Family	6,975	6,975	6,975	6,975	6,975
17	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Multi Family	1,162	1,162	1,162	1,162	1,162
18	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Commercial	1,162	1,162	1,162	1,162	1,162
19	Showerhead/Aerator,Tablet Kit Dist	Single Family	371	371	371	371	371
20	Showerhead/Aerator,Tablet Kit Dist	Multi Family	76	76	76	76	76
21	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Single Family	0	0	0	0	0
22	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Multi Family	0	0	0	0	0
23	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Commercial	1	1	1	1	1
24	Large Landscape Water Use Reports	Irrigation	44	44	44	88	88
25	Lg Lndscp Surveys & Irrig Sys: Rebates	Irrigation	2	2	2	4	4
26	Comm Irrigation System: Rebates	Commercial	13	5	5	47	47
27	Dishwashers: Vendor, Dist & Cont Inc	Commercial	0	0	0	8	8
28	Food Steamers: Cust Rebates	Commercial	0	0	0	1	1
29	Ice Machines: Cust Rebates	Commercial	0	0	0	9	9
30	Pre-Rinse Spray Valves: Cust rebates	Commercial	0	0	0	22	22
31	Cooling Tower Cond Cont: Cust Reb, Inc	Industrial	0	0	0	0	0
32	Cooling Tower pH Cont: Cust Reb, Inc	Industrial	0	0	0	0	0
33	Industrial Process: Audits & Incentives	Industrial	0	0	0	0	0

Table A- 5. Chico District Program Costs

Activity ID	Program	Class	Annual Cost				
			2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
1	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Single Family	\$8,192	\$8,192	\$8,192	\$8,192	\$19,966
2	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Multi Family	\$7,348	\$11,280	\$11,280	\$31,750	\$31,750
3	HE Toilets: Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Commercial	\$7,848	\$7,848	\$7,848	\$7,848	\$7,848
4	Clotheswasher: Cust Reb or Voucher	Single Family	\$11,385	\$11,385	\$11,385	\$11,385	\$11,385
5	CW common: Cust Reb or Voucher	Multi Family	\$440	\$440	\$440	\$440	\$440
6	CW in-unit: Cust Reb or Voucher	Multi Family	\$1,815	\$1,815	\$1,815	\$1,815	\$1,815
7	CW coin-op: Cust Reb or Voucher	Commercial	\$306	\$306	\$306	\$1,505	\$1,505
8	Urinals (0.25 gpf): Cust Rebates or Vouchers	Commercial	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Single Family	\$14,999	\$14,999	\$14,999	\$14,999	\$14,999
10	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Multi Family	\$9,974	\$9,974	\$9,974	\$129,265	\$129,265
11	HE Toilets: Direct Install	Commercial	\$10,453	\$10,453	\$10,453	\$10,453	\$10,453
12	Urinals: Direct Install	Commercial	\$5,613	\$5,613	\$5,613	\$5,613	\$5,613
13	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Single Family	\$20,150	\$20,150	\$20,150	\$20,150	\$20,150
14	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Multi Family	\$2,922	\$2,922	\$2,922	\$19,023	\$19,023
15	Audits & Surveys (incl high bill contacts)	Commercial	\$9,149	\$9,149	\$9,149	\$9,149	\$9,149
16	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Single Family	\$24,622	\$24,622	\$24,622	\$24,622	\$24,622
17	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Multi Family	\$4,102	\$4,102	\$4,102	\$4,102	\$4,102
18	High Efficiency Pop-Up Nozzle Web Voucher	Commercial	\$4,102	\$4,102	\$4,102	\$4,102	\$4,102
19	Showerhead/Aerator, Tablet Kit Dist	Single Family	\$10,750	\$10,750	\$10,750	\$10,750	\$10,750
20	Showerhead/Aerator, Tablet Kit Dist	Multi Family	\$2,204	\$2,204	\$2,204	\$2,204	\$2,204
21	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Single Family	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
22	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Multi Family	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
23	WBIC Vendor, Dist, & Cont Inc	Commercial	\$460	\$460	\$460	\$460	\$460
24	Large Landscape Water Use Reports	Irrigation	\$2,859	\$2,859	\$2,859	\$5,719	\$5,719
25	Lg Lndscp Surveys & Irrig Sys: Rebates	Irrigation	\$2,800	\$2,800	\$2,800	\$5,600	\$5,600

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Activity ID	Program	Class	Annual Cost				
			2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
26	Comm Irrigation System: Rebates	Commercial	\$6,507	\$2,575	\$2,575	\$24,205	\$24,205
27	Dishwashers: Vendor, Dist & Cont Inc	Commercial	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,791	\$2,791
28	Food Steamers: Cust Rebates	Commercial	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,411	\$2,411
29	Ice Machines: Cust Rebates	Commercial	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$17,243	\$17,243
30	Pre-Rinse Spray Valves: Cust rebates	Commercial	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,421	\$2,421
31	Cooling Tower Cond Cont: Cust Reb, Inc	Industrial	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
32	Cooling Tower pH Cont: Cust Reb, Inc	Industrial	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
33	Industrial Process: Audits & Incentives	Industrial	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0