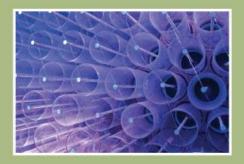


## **Carmel River Operations: Post Desal**

Presented to Carmel River Advisory Committee August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011











## **Overview:**

- Pumping, Treatment, and Storage infrastructure
- Current River Operations
- Higher demand year, lower demand recent year
- Post Desal Strategy Challenges and Considerations
- Illustration of possible Post Desal Operations
- Dry year, average year, extremely wet year





## **CAW Infrastructure on the Carmel River**

- Production Wells
- Treatment Plants
- Dams





## **Carmel River Wells**

#### Russell Wells

- Considered surface water treated at the CVFP
- Use restricted by Conservation Agreement with NMFS.

## Upper Carmel River Wells

- Pumped directly to the system after chlorination.
- Use restricted by Conservation Agreement with NMFS.
- Recent capacity 4 MGD or 12 AFD

#### Lower Carmel River Wells

- Centrally Treated at the Begonia Iron Removal Plant. (not San Carlos)
- Currently used year round.
- Recent capacity 12.7 MGD or 39 AFD





## **Carmel River Treatment Plants**

- Carmel Valley Filter Plant
  - Surface Water Treatment Plant
  - Constructed 1940's Renovated 1970's
  - 16 Horizontal Pressure Filters original rated capacity of 32 AFD

## Begonia Iron Removal Plant

- Iron and Manganese removal
- Constructed 1975
- 18 Horizontal Pressure Filters rated capacity of 52 AFD

Currently operated 24/7





### **Carmel River Dams**

#### San Clemente Dam

- Concrete arch dam Constructed 1921
- Deemed seismically unsound and unstable during PMF
- Removal scheduled 2012-2015

#### Los Padres Dam

- Earth and rockfill embankment dam Constructed 1949
- Original storage capacity of 3,032 AF has since declined with siltation

Downstream fish passage improvements scheduled for 2012





## **Current River Operations**

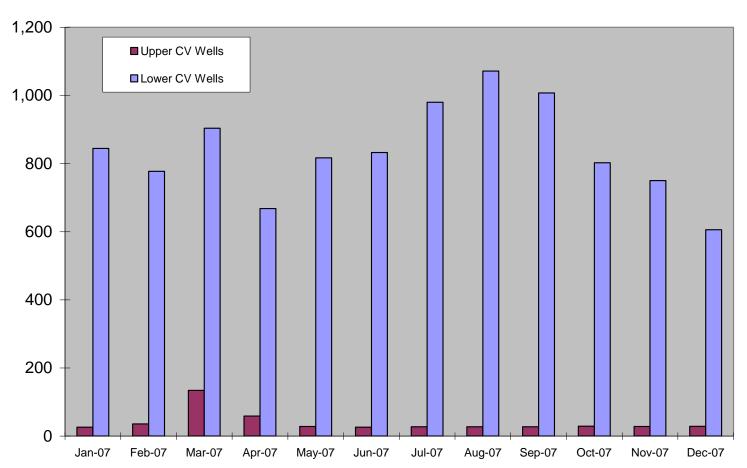
- Two scenarios presented to illustrate current operations
  - Higher demand year (2007)
  - Lower demand year (2010)
- Scenarios illustrate:
  - Current summer/winter pumping
  - Mix of Upper and Lower Carmel Valley Wells

ASR Diversions





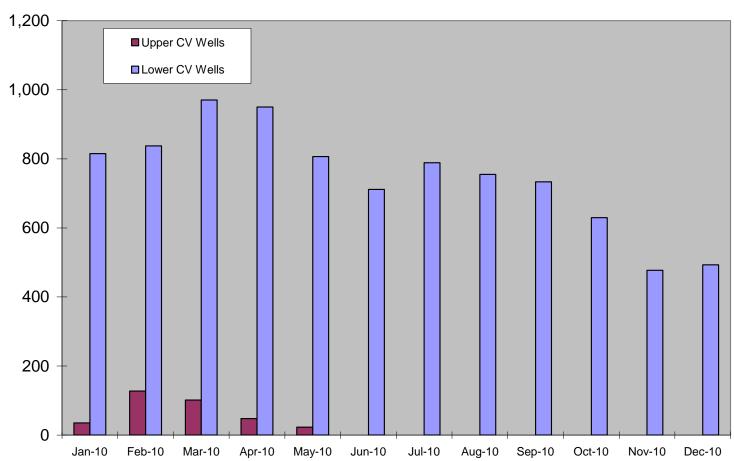
#### 2007 - Carmel River Pumping (AF) System Production = 14,640 AF, ASR = 12 AF







### 2010 - Carmel River Pumping (AF) System Production = 12,170 AF, ASR = 1,047 AF







## **Carmel River Strategy – Post Desal:**

- Diversions within CAW's Carmel River water rights.
- Minimize pumping during the summer months.
- Maximize jointly held ASR water rights.





## **Challenges and Considerations:**

- Water budgeting / water accounting.
- Impact on BIRP of significantly reduced summer usage.
- Maintaining wells in stand-by during summer months.





## **Illustration of Possible Post Desal Operations**

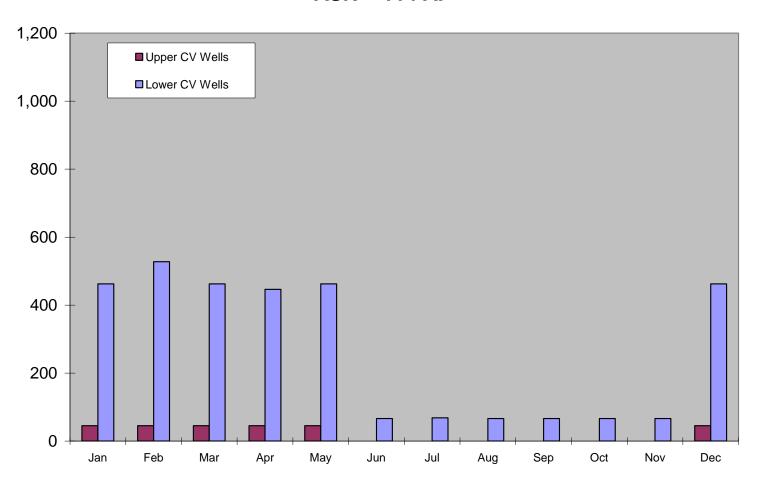
- Three scenarios developed following the post-desal strategy, dry year, average year, extremely wet year.
- Data contains many assumptions and simplifications, for example:
  - Summer maintenance flow through BIRP of 2.2 AFD (500 gpm).
  - Winter maintenance flow of 1.5 AFD (340 gpm) from UCV wells.
  - During injection days, assumed maximum rate of 28.6 AFD (6,500 gpm = 20808A + 20808C permits).
  - Best case scenario no consideration given to equipment failures, down time, etc.
  - No discounting for reliability Largest well out of service.

Actual operations and hydrologic conditions can vary.





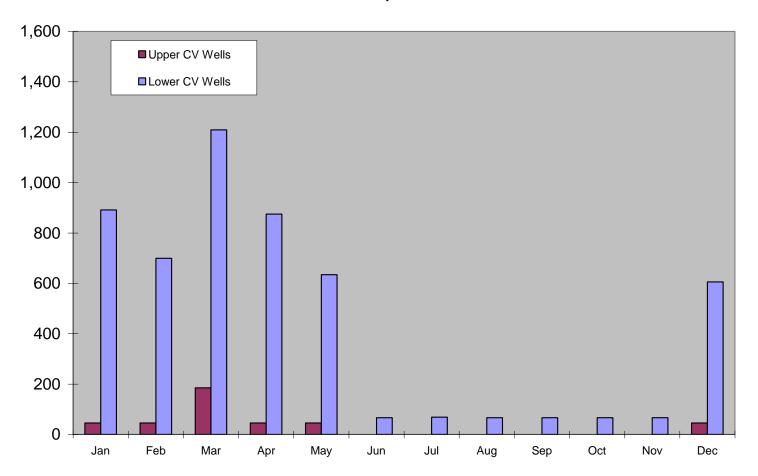
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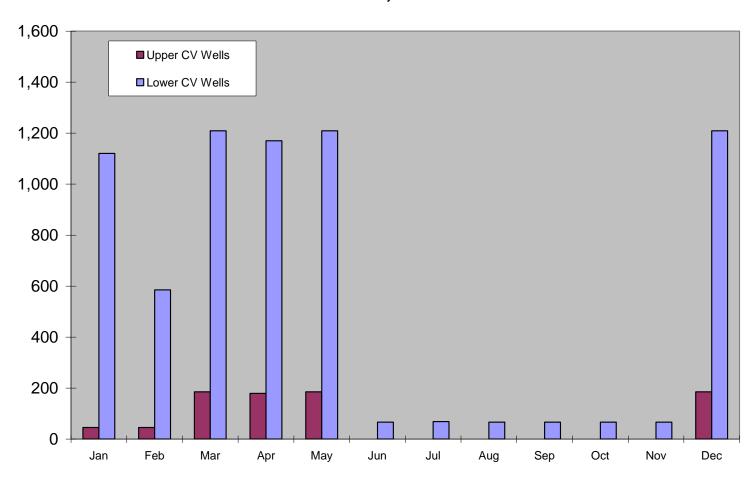
# Average Year - Carmel River Pumping Post Desal (AF) ASR = 2,345 AF







# Extremely Wet Year - Carmel River Pumping Post Desal (AF) ASR = 4,347 AF







## **Questions?**