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 March General Manager’s Report

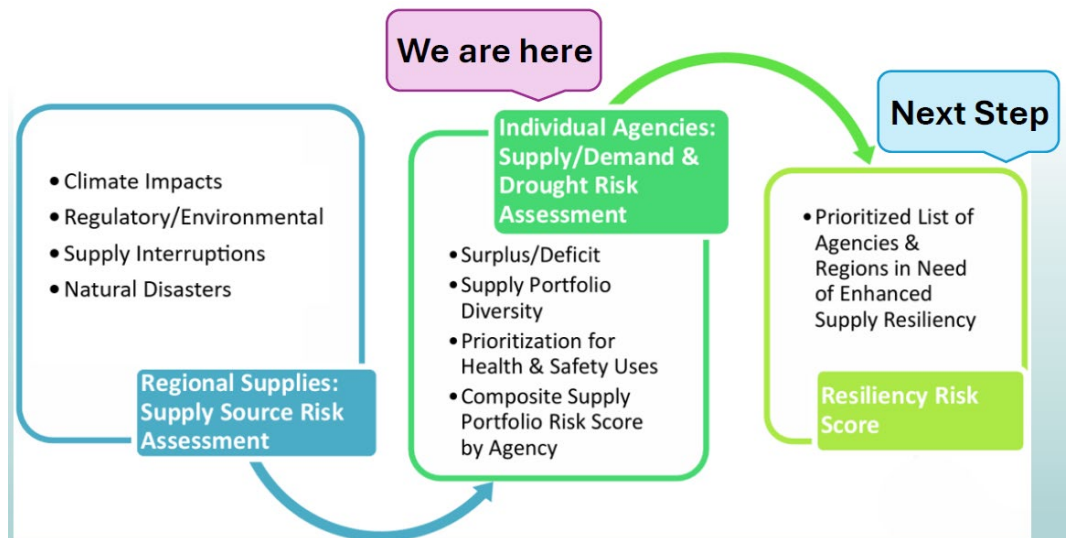
County-wide Water Action Team/DESAL Project Update

The General Manager has been working for the last seven years with a regional water action group collectively called the County-wide Water Action Team (CWAT). The purpose of the CWAT is to work regionally on water resiliency and infrastructure plans to secure the County’s water supply future. The District’s involvement is based on the three Los Osos water purveyors’ efforts to provide adequate water supplies both now and into the future. Being part of the long-term regional solutions to water resiliency is of utmost importance given the tenuous condition of the community’s groundwater basin. With the impacts of climate change on our local weather patterns, planning for the future changes now is imperative.

The General Manager has been in a sub-group of CWAT working on a long-term plan to construct and deliver water from a desalination facility located somewhere on the SLO County coast. The County received grant funding to work on the preliminary phases of the project.

There is a community meeting scheduled for April 20th at the Morro Bay Community Center starting at 6:00pm. If interested, this will be a great opportunity to get to understand the project better and understand the importance it will have to the water future of Los Osos. More information will be coming out on the event in the near future.

The graphic below shows where the team and the County are at in the preliminary stages of the desalination project.



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