

## APPENDIX B: eCCR Certification Form (Suggested Format)

### Consumer Confidence Report Certification Form

(To be submitted with a copy of the CCR)

Water System Name: GSWC-Nipomo

Water System Number: CA4010018

The water system named above hereby certifies that its Consumer Confidence Report was distributed on July 1, 2020 to customers (and appropriate notices of availability have been given). Further, the system certifies that the information contained in the report is correct and consistent with the compliance monitoring data previously submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (DDW).

Certified by: Name: Elizabeth E. Clark  
Signature:   
Title: Associate Water Quality Engineer  
Phone Number: ( 805 ) 459-1123 Date: 9/17/2020

*To summarize report delivery used and good-faith efforts taken, please complete this page by checking all items that apply and fill-in where appropriate:*

- ☐ CCR was distributed by mail or other direct delivery methods (attach description of other direct delivery methods used).
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  - ☒ Advertising the availability of the CCR in news media (attach copy of press release)
  - ☐ Publication of the CCR in a local newspaper of general circulation (attach a copy of the published notice, including name of newspaper and date published)
  - ☐ Posted the CCR in public places (attach a list of locations)
  - ☐ Delivery of multiple copies of CCR to single-billed addresses serving several persons, such as apartments, businesses, and schools
  - ☐ Delivery to community organizations (attach a list of organizations)
  - ☐ Publication of the CCR in the electronic city newsletter or electronic community newsletter or listserv (attach a copy of the article or notice)
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- ☐ Water system emailed the CCR as an electronic file email attachment.
- ☐ Water system emailed the CCR text and tables inserted or embedded into the body of an email, not as an attachment (attach a copy of the emailed CCR).
- ☐ *Requires prior DDW review and approval.* Water system utilized other electronic delivery method that meets the direct delivery requirement.

*Provide a brief description of the water system's electronic delivery procedures and include how the water system ensures delivery to customers unable to receive electronic delivery.*

In our continuing efforts to better serve our customers, conserve resources, and reduce costs, Golden State Water Company chose to utilize electronic delivery of the annual Consumer Confidence Reports (CCRs) as allowed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the State Water Resources Control Board – Division of Drinking Water. Notices regarding the availability of the CCR were mailed to customers as a bill insert, and also emailed to all customers receiving electronic bills. These notices, printed and emailed in both English and Spanish, directed people to the URL for viewing the CCR online, and also gave them information on how to request a hard copy of the CCR.

*This form is provided as a convenience and may be used to meet the certification requirement of section 64483(c) of the California Code of Regulations.*

# Consumer Confidence Reports Available Now!



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The Consumer Confidence Report, or CCR, is an annual water quality report that the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires Golden State Water Company to provide to you. The purpose of the CCR is to raise customer awareness of the quality of your drinking water, where your drinking water comes from, what it takes to deliver water to your homes, and the importance of protecting drinking water sources. This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water.

If you would like a paper copy of the 2020 CCR mailed to your address or would like to speak with someone about the report, please call 1-800-999-4033 or email [waterquality@gswater.com](mailto:waterquality@gswater.com).

You can view your 2020 Consumer Confidence Report and learn more about your drinking water by visiting our website. **You can find a direct URL link in the message center on the back of your water bill.** You can also find the URL link for your system in the table on the reverse.



El informe de Confianza del Consumidor o CCR, es un informe anual de la calidad de agua potable que el Decreto de Agua Potable Sana requiere que Golden State Water Company (GSWC, por sus siglas en ingles) le provee. El objetivo del CCR es aumentar la conciencia de los consumidores acerca de la calidad de su agua potable, de donde viene el agua potable, lo que se necesita para distribuir agua a su hogar, y la importancia de proteger fuentes de agua potable. Este informe contiene información importante acerca del origen y la calidad de su agua potable.

Si desea una copia en papel del CCR del 2020 enviado por correo a su dirección o si desea hablar con alguien sobre el informe, llame al **1-800-999-4033** o por correo electrónico a [waterquality@gswater.com](mailto:waterquality@gswater.com).





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# Nipomo Water System

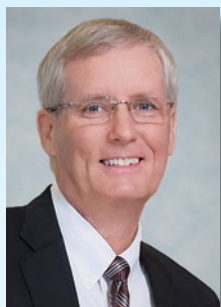
## Consumer Confidence Report on Water Quality for 2019



Providing Quality Drinking Water in California Since 1929

## About the Company

Golden State Water Company (GSWC) is a wholly owned subsidiary of American States Water Company (NYSE:AWR). GSWC provides water service to more than 1 million people in over 80 communities throughout California and distributes electricity to approximately 24,000 customers in the City of Big Bear Lake and surrounding areas in San Bernardino County, California, through its Bear Valley Electric Service division. AWR also owns a contracted services subsidiary, American States Utility Services, Inc. (ASUS). ASUS provides operations, maintenance and construction management services for water and wastewater systems located on military bases throughout the country under 50-year privatization contracts with the U.S. government.



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## Providing Quality Drinking Water in California Since 1929

Dear Golden State Water Customer,

Golden State Water Company (GSWC) is pleased to present our 2020 Annual Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report), providing customers with important information regarding local water quality and service during the 2019 calendar year.

Last year was a monumental year for California water policy, specifically related to water quality. Water providers throughout the state were required to complete lead testing at schools in their local service areas by July 2019 to meet compliance with legislation (AB 746) that California Governor Jerry Brown signed into law in 2017. Additionally, the state established new guidelines for testing and reporting for certain compounds that fall within a class of emerging contaminants known as per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, or PFAS. While consumer products and food are a large source of exposure to PFAS, drinking water can be an additional source in communities where these chemicals have infiltrated water supplies from industrial facilities where these chemicals were produced or used to manufacture other products, or where certain firefighting foams were used for either training or fighting Class B (liquid) fires.

This new decade brings its own challenges too, as we all band together to limit the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19). There is a lot of uncertainty regarding the availability of essential supplies and public health necessities, but we hope customers find solace knowing that Golden State Water's dedicated team of water professionals will never stop working to ensure they have quality, reliable water at their taps when they need it.

**Water quality is a top priority for GSWC, and it has been for more than 90 years.** Our team of scientists, engineers and water experts is dedicated to protecting our water systems and ensuring the water we deliver to local homes and businesses meets the stringent standards set by the state and federal governments and is safe to drink.

GSWC provides water service to approximately 1 million customers in more than 80 communities throughout California. We aggressively monitor and test for hundreds of contaminants in each of our 37 water systems and have consistently scored among the top water companies for compliance with water quality regulations.

**GSWC is proud to report that the water delivered to your tap continues to meet all federal and state quality standards established to protect public health and safety.** Within this document, you will find information regarding local water supply sources, testing, and the steps GSWC takes to ensure our water is in compliance with standards set by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), State Water Resources Control Board's Division of Drinking Water (DDW) and California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC).

To access the most up-to-date Water Quality Report for your area, sampling results, and to learn more about common contaminants, you can visit [www.gswater.com/water-quality/](http://www.gswater.com/water-quality/). If you have any questions about this report, please contact our 24-hour Customer Service Center at 1.800.999.4033 or email us at [customerservice@gswater.com](mailto:customerservice@gswater.com).

GSWC is constantly working toward 100 percent customer satisfaction and encourages all customers to visit [www.gswater.com](http://www.gswater.com) and follow us on Twitter and on Facebook at @GoldenStateH2O.

On behalf of everyone at GSWC, thank you for allowing us the opportunity to serve you and your community.

Sincerely,



Robert Sprowls



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Where Does  
My Water  
Come From?

Water delivered to customers in the Nipomo System is groundwater pumped from the Santa Maria Groundwater Basin through wells owned and operated by Golden State Water Company. The groundwater basin is recharged from a collection of local drainage basins, streams and creeks, as well as natural percolation from rain, agriculture and domestic use.



Source Water Assessment

Golden State Water Company conducted a source water assessment in December 2002 for each groundwater well serving the customers of its Nipomo System.

All five groundwater well sources are considered most vulnerable to the following possible contaminating activities. Contaminants associated with these activities have not been detected in the water supply: agricultural wells, drinking water treatment plant, fertilizer/ pesticide/herbicide application, high-density housing, high density septic systems, irrigated crops, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System/waste discharge requirements-permitted discharges, roads/streets, and storm drain detention facilities.

Three of the five groundwater well sources are considered most vulnerable to the following activities which have been associated with contaminants detected in the water supply: fertilizer/pesticide/herbicide application and irrigated crops.

A copy of the assessment may be viewed at:

State Water Board Coastal District Office  
1180 Eugenia Place, Suite 200, Carpinteria, CA 93013

or

Golden State Water Company, Santa Maria Office  
2330 A Street, Suite A, Santa Maria, CA 93455

You may request a summary of the assessment be sent to you by contacting:

State Water Board Coastal District Office at 1.805.566.1326

For more details, contact Beth Clark, Associate Water Quality Engineer, at 1.800.999.4033.

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*Delivering drinking water is serious business, and our team of scientists, engineers and water experts is dedicated to protecting our water systems and ensuring the water we deliver to local homes and businesses meets stringent standards set by the state and federal governments and is safe to drink.*

## Glossary of Terms

### Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)

The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. Primary MCLs are set as close to the public health goals and maximum contaminant level goals as is economically and technologically feasible. Secondary MCLs are set to protect the odor, taste and appearance of drinking water.

### California Notification Level (NL)

Non-regulatory, health-based advisory levels established by the State Board for contaminants in drinking water for which an MCL has not been established.

### Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)

The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. Maximum contaminant level goals are set by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA).

### Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)

The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that the addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

### Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)

The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

### Primary Drinking Water Standard (PDWS)

MCLs, MRDLs and treatment techniques (TTs) for contaminants that affect health, along with their monitoring and reporting requirements.

### Public Health Goal (PHG)

The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. Public health goals are set by the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA).

### Regulatory Action Level (AL)

The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

Contaminants are measured in	Units	Also known as	This can be compared to...
Parts per million (PPM)	mg/L	milligrams per liter	1 second in 12 days
Parts per billion (PPB)	µg/L	micrograms per liter	1 second in 32 years
Parts per trillion (PPT)	ng/L	nanograms per liter	1 second in 32,000 years
Grains per gallon	grains per gallon	a measurement for water hardness often used for sizing household water softeners	1 grain/gal equals 17.1 mg/L of hardness
Nephelometric Turbidity Units	NTU	a measurement of the clarity of water	Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is noticeable to the average person
Microsiemens per centimeter	µS/cm	a measurement of a solution's ability to conduct electricity	
Picocuries per liter	pCi/L	a measurement of radioactivity in water	

## How to Read This Table

The consumer confidence report lets you know which constituents, if any, are in your drinking water and how this may affect your health. The constituents presented in this table were detected above the detection limit set by the State Water Quality Control Board. Below is a guide that explains each column of the table.

The EPA health advisory limit for the contaminant in drinking water.	The range of presence for which the contaminant was detected in drinking water.	The average amount of a constituent detected in the drinking water.	The most recent year tests were conducted.	Describes the most likely ways a constituent enters the drinking water. Wording provided by the EPA.			
The highest level for which the contaminant has no known or expected health risks.	Primary Standards - Health Based (units)	Primary MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Range of Detection	Average Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent
	Substance A (mg/L)	1	0.6	ND - 40	20	2018	Erosion of natural deposits; residue from some surface water treatment processes
	Substance B (µg/L)	6	1	0.1 - 2.8	1.7	2018	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder

### YOUR WATER MEETS ALL CURRENT FEDERAL AND STATE REQUIREMENTS

#### Nipomo Water System – Source Water Quality

Primary Standards - Health Based (units)	Primary MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Range of Detection	Average Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent
<b>Inorganic Constituents</b>						
Fluoride (mg/L)	2.0	1	ND - 0.30	0.15	2017	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive that promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nitrate [as N] (mg/L)	10	1	0.53 - 6.7	2.6	2019	Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks and sewage; erosion of natural deposits
<b>Radioactive Constituents</b>						
Gross Alpha Activity (pCi/L)	15(a)	(0)	ND - 3.2	ND	2018	Erosion of natural deposits
Secondary Standards - Aesthetic (units)	Secondary MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Range of Detection	Average Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent
Color (units)	15	n/a	ND - 10	ND	2019	Naturally-occurring organic materials
Chloride (mg/L)	500	n/a	38 - 99	63	2019	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence
Iron (µg/L)	300	n/a	ND - 100	ND	2019	Leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Odor - Threshold (units) (b)	3	n/a	ND - 3	ND	2019	Naturally-occurring organic materials
Specific Conductance (µS/cm)	1600	n/a	300 - 980	720	2017	Substances that form ions when in water; seawater influence
Sulfate (mg/L)	500	n/a	20 - 280	130	2019	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Turbidity (units)	5	n/a	ND - 6.1	0.87	2019	Soil runoff
Total Dissolved Solids (mg/L)	1000	n/a	190 - 734	440	2019	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
Zinc (mg/L)	5	n/a	ND - 0.067	ND	2017	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Other Parameters (units)	Notification Level	PHG (MCLG)	Range of Detection	Average Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent
Alkalinity (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	25 - 210	110	2019	
Calcium (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	13 - 97	51	2019	
Hardness [as CaCO <sub>3</sub> ] (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	52 - 380	230	2019	The sum of polyvalent cations present in the water, generally magnesium and calcium; the cations are usually naturally occurring
Hardness [as CaCO <sub>3</sub> ] (grains/gal)	n/a	n/a	3.0 - 22	13	2019	
Magnesium (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	4.8 - 38	24	2019	
pH (pH units)	n/a	n/a	7.0 - 8.1	7.7	2019	
Potassium (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	1.8 - 3.6	2.6	2019	
Sodium (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	37 - 81	58	2017	Refers to the salt present in the water and is generally naturally occurring

(a) MCL is based on Gross Alpha minus Uranium.

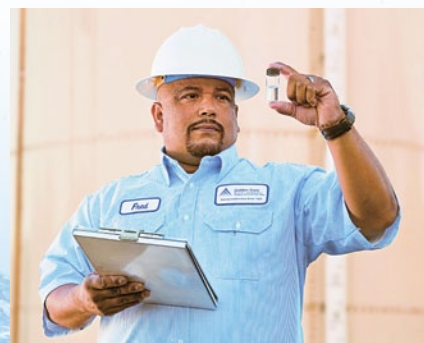
(b) Odor data reported is prior to chlorination or other process and is not necessarily representative of water received by customers.

ND = Not Detected

CaCO<sub>3</sub> = Calcium Carbonate

**This table includes data only on constituents that were detected.**

*Golden State Water's top priority is to protect the quality of your water supply. In every one of our water systems, a team of highly-trained employees monitors water quality on an on-going basis to ensure that our customers are receiving high-quality water.*



## Laboratory Analyses

Through the years, we have taken thousands of water samples to determine the presence of any radioactive, biological, inorganic, volatile organic, or synthetic organic contaminants in your drinking water. The table we provide shows only detected contaminants in the water.

Even though all the substances listed here are under the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL), we feel it is important that you know exactly what was detected and how much of these substances were present in your water. Compliance (unless otherwise noted) is based on the average level of concentration below the MCL. The state allows us to monitor for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations do not change frequently. Some of our data, while representative, is more than a year old.

**Lead** — If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Golden State Water Company is responsible for providing high-quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to two minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested.



Information about lead in drinking water, testing methods and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1.800.426.4791 or at [www.epa.gov/safewater/lead](http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead).



**School Lead Testing** — Water quality and protecting public health are top priorities for Golden State Water Company, and we are proud to have partnered with schools throughout our service areas over the last few years to test the drinking water at their facilities for the presence of lead.

California state law (AB 746), established in 2018, requires that all public K-12 schools built before January 1, 2010, have their drinking water tested for lead before the deadline of July 1, 2019. Golden State Water worked collaboratively with schools we serve to ensure 100% compliance.

To learn more about the school lead testing program, please visit [www.gswater.com/schools](http://www.gswater.com/schools).

**Nitrate** — Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 mg/L is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. Such nitrate levels in drinking water can interfere with the capacity of the infant's blood to carry oxygen, resulting in a serious illness; symptoms include shortness of breath and blueness of the skin. Nitrate levels above 10 mg/L may also affect the ability of the blood to carry oxygen in other individuals, such as pregnant women and those with certain specific enzyme deficiencies. If you are caring for an infant, or you are pregnant, you should ask for advice from your health care provider.

**Odor** — The secondary MCL for odor is set for aesthetic reasons and there is no health concern associated with the odor levels in this water system.

**Turbidity** — Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. It is monitored because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of surface water filtration.

### Nipomo Water System – Distribution Water Quality

Disinfection Byproducts and Disinfectant Residuals (units)	Primary MCL (MRDL)	PHG (MRDLG)	Range of Detection	Average Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent	
Chlorine [as Cl <sub>2</sub> ] (mg/L)	(4.0)	(4)	0.6 - 2.1	1.2	2019	Drinking water disinfectant added for treatment	
TTHMs [Total Trihalomethanes] (µg/L)	80	n/a	n/a	10	2019	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection	
Inorganic Constituents (units)	Action Level	PHG (MCLG)	Sample Data	90th % Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent	
Copper (mg/L)	1.3	0.3	None of the 21 samples collected exceeded the action level.	0.45	2017	Internal corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives	
Lead sampling in schools and residential plumbing	Action Level	PHG	Sample Data	90th % Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source	Number of Schools Tested (c)
Lead (µg/L)	15	0.2	None of the 21 samples collected exceeded the action level.	ND	2017	Internal corrosion of household water plumbing systems; discharges from industrial manufacturers; erosion of natural deposits.	1

(c) The State of California made lead sampling in schools mandatory with a compliance window through 2019.

ND = Not Detected

This table includes data only on constituents that were detected.



## For People with Sensitive Immune Systems

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised people, such as those individuals with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, those who have undergone organ transplants, those with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly populations, and infants, can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice from their health care providers.

The USEPA and Centers for Disease Control issue guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants. To obtain a copy of these guidelines, please call the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1.800.426.4791.

## Risk to Tap and Bottled Water

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1.800.426.4791.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the layers in the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, which can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animal or human activity.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) and the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) prescribe regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration regulations and California law also establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that provide the same protection for public health.

### Contaminants in Drinking Water Sources May Include:

- ◆ Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife
- ◆ Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, and farming
- ◆ Pesticides and herbicides that may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff and residential uses
- ◆ Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff and septic systems
- ◆ Radioactive contaminants that can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities

## Cross Connection Control Program

Golden State Water Company's Cross Connection Control Program provides a level of certainty that the water in the company's distribution system is protected from possible backflow of contaminated water from commercial or industrial customers' premises. For additional information, visit <http://www.gswater.com/protecting-our-drinking-water/>.



## Flushing

Hydrant flushing is an essential maintenance procedure that all water providers must perform periodically to ensure the water delivered to customers meets state and federal drinking water standards. In 2019, GSWC launched NO-DES, or Neutral Output-Discharge Elimination System, units in our Southwest service area to help flush our system sustainably.

Traditional hydrant flushing discharges hundreds of thousands of gallons of water onto the street. Golden State Water's NO-DES truck offers a new maintenance technology, connecting two hydrants to a complex filtration system which cleans the water and returns it to the distribution system.

For more information about hydrant flushing, visit [www.gswater.com/no-des-flushing/](http://www.gswater.com/no-des-flushing/).

## If You Have Questions – Contact Us

For information about your water quality or to find out about upcoming opportunities to participate in public meetings, please contact our 24-hour Customer Service Center at 1.800.999.4033. Visit us online at [www.gswater.com](http://www.gswater.com) or email us at [customerservice@gswater.com](mailto:customerservice@gswater.com).

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua de beber. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.



## Connect with us to learn more!

Visit [www.gswater.com](http://www.gswater.com) to:

- ◆ Access the latest Water Quality Report for your area
- ◆ Get the latest updates and news regarding the drought and state/local restrictions
- ◆ Learn more about water-use efficiency, including programs and rebates in your area
- ◆ Understand your water bill and learn about payment options
- ◆ Obtain information about programs for low-income customers (CARW)
- ◆ Sign up to receive email updates about your water service.

For additional information, please contact our 24-hour Customer Service Center at **1.800.999.4033** or email us at [customerservice@gswater.com](mailto:customerservice@gswater.com).

## Infrastructure Investments

Water providers have a duty to maintain the local water infrastructure to ensure that the delivery of reliable, quality water is not compromised. At GSWC, we take that responsibility seriously.

In 2019, GSWC installed 76,560 feet of pipeline, 1,920 service lines and 153 fire hydrants throughout the state. Proactive system investments like these are critical to protect the quality of water we serve to the customers and to avoid the costly and sometimes dangerous effects of deferring maintenance.

Customers interested in learning more about current and completed infrastructure projects in their service areas are encouraged to visit [www.gswater.com/infrastructure-investments](http://www.gswater.com/infrastructure-investments).



*A drought-tolerant garden.*

## Conserving for California

After a wet 2018-19 winter season that lifted California out of a drought, the state has experienced yet another year of minimal rain that will have a direct impact on our lakes, reservoirs and groundwater aquifers. As Californians, it is our duty to make conservation a way of life and protect this precious resource that only continues to become more scarce.

GSWC is proud to be your conservation partner and reminds customers that we must continue to use water responsibly to ensure supplies will be available when they are needed. It is important that we all work together to incorporate water-use efficiency into our daily lives.

To learn more about conservation programs and/or water-use restrictions in your area, please visit [www.gswater.com](http://www.gswater.com) or call 1.800.999.4033.



SERVICE FOR

Nipomo CA 93444

ACCOUNT NUMBER

DUE DATE

May 29, 2020

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BILL DATE

May 08, 2020

AMOUNT DUE

\$90.97

**Customer Service - 24 Hours: (800) 999-4033 [www.gswater.com](http://www.gswater.com)**  
Hearing Impaired TTY: (877) 933-9533  
Preguntas? Llame al Centro de Servicio al Consumidor al **(800) 999-4033**

Visit **[gswater.com](http://gswater.com)** to enroll for service updates via **e-newsletter**.  
Your local Office: **Is Closed to the Public at Santa Maria, CA 93455**

To learn about the various Payment Options we offer go to:  
**[www.gswater.com/payment-options](http://www.gswater.com/payment-options)**

**Current Activity****Rate Schedule SM-1-NR (SM1NR)**

<b>Service Charge</b>	<b>1" meter</b>	
Service Charge		\$52.15
<b>Water Usage</b>		
Water Usage - 9.00 CCF at \$3.287		\$29.58
<b>Surcharges, Fees, &amp; Credits</b>		
CARW Prog Adm Surcharge - 9.00 CCF at \$0.136		\$1.22
SMWRAM Surcharge - 9.00 CCF at \$0.137		\$1.23
WRAM/MCBA Surcharge/credit		\$1.29
Other Surcharges/credits		\$4.39
CPUC Fee - 1.23% of \$89.86		\$1.11
<b>Total New Charges</b>		<b>\$90.97</b>

Account Summary		
Previous Balance		\$192.90
Payments	<b>4-15-20 Thank You</b>	-\$192.90
Current Charges	Due On May 29, 2020	\$90.97
<b>Total Amount Due</b>		<b>\$90.97</b>

***Your opinion is very important to us. Please rate our job performance by calling 1-888 933 8648. Enter code 671 when prompted.***

Usage History (One CCF = 748 gallons)			
Bill Period	2013 Usage	Target Usage *	Actual Usage
<b>Prior</b>	26 CCF	17 CCF or 12,716 Gallons	27 CCF or 20,196 Gallons
<b>Current</b>	33 CCF	22 CCF or 16,456 Gallons	9 CCF or 6,732 Gallons
<b>Next</b>	42 CCF	27 CCF or 20,196 Gallons	

The TARGET USAGE for the CURRENT period is based on the number of days of the full bill period.

The EMERGENCY DROUGHT SURCHARGE may appear higher as it is based on actual usage variance for the number of days in the bill period when the Staged Mandatory Conservation became effective.

**Read and Usage Information**

Meter	Service Period		Days	Previous Reading	Current Reading	CCF Usage
MM8853367	Apr 07	May 07	30	1276	1285	9

Your next scheduled meter read date is approximately June 5, 2020

PLEASE RETURN THIS PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT.

**EBILL**

If you have changed your address or are moving, please call (800) 999-4033 or fill out form on back.

ACCOUNT NUMBER:



**PO BOX 9016  
SAN DIMAS CA 91773-9016**

Current Charges Due On May 29, 2020

Total Amount Due

\$90.97

**Amount  
Enclosed**

Nipomo, CA 93444-2461

**GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY  
PO BOX 9016  
SAN DIMAS CA 91773-9016**

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To view your 2020 Consumer Confidence Report and learn more about your drinking water, please visit: [www.gswater.com/NipomoCCR](http://www.gswater.com/NipomoCCR)  
 If your address ends in an EVEN NUMBER (0,2,4,6,8), you may responsibly irrigate outdoors on Monday and Thursday.  
 If your address ends in an ODD NUMBER (1,3,5,7,9), you may responsibly irrigate outdoors on Tuesday and Friday.  
 Stage 2 of Mandatory Water Conservation and Rationing (Schedule 14.1) is effective. Learn more at [gswater.com/santa-maria](http://gswater.com/santa-maria).  
 All water usage that exceeds your allocation listed on front of bill will be subject to \$2.50 drought emergency surcharge (per CcF/748 gallons).

The WRAM&MCBA surcharge has been recalibrated to incorporate 2019 balances, effective March 25, 2020; the 2018 WRAM&MCBA surcharge will be expired on the same day.

#### **PAYMENT OPTIONS:**

Go to [www.gswater.com/payment-options](http://www.gswater.com/payment-options) for payment options, authorized locations, and auto pay application form.

- ♦ **Auto Pay (Electronic Funds Transfer):** Submit an application to pay your bill automatically from a checking or savings account.
- ♦ **Online:** Receive bills online and pay electronically by using "MyGSWater". Go to: [www.gswater.com/payment-options](http://www.gswater.com/payment-options) or call (800) 999-4033.
- ♦ **Phone:** Call KUBRA EZ-PAY at (844) 706-7690. KUBRA EZ-PAY accepts ATM, Visa, MasterCard, Discover or electronic check. A service fee applies.
- ♦ **Mail:** Send bill stub and payment in enclosed envelope.
- ♦ **In Person:** Visit [www.gswater.com/payment-options](http://www.gswater.com/payment-options) to find a KUBRA EZ-PAY agent (service fee applies) or go to your local GSWC Office.

#### **BILL TERMS AND POLICY OF DISCONTINUATION OF RESIDENTIAL SERVICES FOR NONPAYMENT**

The bill is due and payable upon date of presentation. It will become past due if not paid within 19 days from the date of mailing. A cash deposit and reconnection charge may be required to re-establish credit and service.

To avoid disconnection of residential service for nonpayment, customers can call Golden State Water to request a one-time payment extension or set-up a payment plan by contacting our Customer Service Center at (800) 999-4033. For more information on the Policy of Discontinuation of Residential Services please visit <https://www.gswater.com/policy-of-discontinuation> available in multiple languages.

#### **WRAM/MCBA SURCHARGE/SURCREDIT**

The Water Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (WRAM) and Modified Cost Balancing Account (MCBA) ensure revenue recovered from rates balances with expenses to operate, maintain and improve the water system. For more info, please visit [gswater.com/rates-schedules-and-tariffs](http://gswater.com/rates-schedules-and-tariffs).

**DISPUTING YOUR BILL:** If you believe there is an error on your bill or have a question about your service, please call Golden State Water Company customer support at (800) 999-4033. We welcome the opportunity to assist you. If after contacting us, you are still not satisfied with Golden State Water Company's response, you may submit a complaint to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) by visiting <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/complaints/>. Billing and service complaints are handled by the CPUC's Consumer Affairs Branch (CAB), which can be reached by the following means if you prefer not to submit your complaint online:

**Telephone:** 1-800-649-7570 (8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday)  
**Mail:** California Public Utilities Commission, Consumer Affairs Branch,  
 505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 2003, San Francisco, CA 94102

If you have limitations hearing or speaking, dial 711 to reach the California Relay Service, which is for those needing direct assistance relaying telephone conversations, as well their friends, family, and business contacts. If you prefer having your calls immediately answered in your mode of communication, dial one of the toll-free language-specific numbers below to be routed to the California Relay Service provider.

Language	Type of Call	Toll-free 800 Number
English	TTY/VCO/HCO to Voice Voice to TTY/VCO/HCO From or to Speech-to- Speech	1-800-735-2929 1-800-735-2922 1-800-854-7784
Spanish	TTY/VCO/HCO to Voice Voice to TTY/VCO/HCO	1-800-855-3000

To avoid having service turned off while you wait for the outcome of a complaint to the CPUC **specifically regarding the accuracy of your bill**, please contact CAB for assistance. If your case meets the eligibility criteria, CAB will provide you with instructions on how to mail a check or money order to be impounded pending resolution of your case. You must continue to pay your current charges while your complaint is under review to keep your service turned on. The Commission will not, however, accept deposits when the dispute appears to be over matters that do not directly relate to the accuracy of the bill. Such matters include the quality of the utility's service, general level or rates, pending rate applications and sources of fuel or power.

#### **PLEASE INDICATE ANY CHANGES**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Work Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**From:** Golden State Water Company <waterways@gswater.com>  
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# WATERWAYS | A Resource For The Communities We Serve

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Dear Valued Customer,

Golden State Water is pleased to announce that Consumer Confidence Reports are now available. The Consumer Confidence Report, or CCR, is an annual water quality report that the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires Golden State Water Company to provide to you. The purpose of the CCR is to raise customer awareness of the quality of your drinking water, where your drinking water comes from, what it takes to deliver water to your homes, and the importance of protecting drinking water sources. This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water.

If you would like a paper copy of the 2020 CCR mailed to your mailing address or would like to speak with someone about the report, please call 1- 800-999-4033 or email [waterquality@gswater.com](mailto:waterquality@gswater.com).

**You can view your 2020 Consumer Confidence Report and learn more about your drinking water by visiting the following URL: [gswater.com/nipomoCCR/](https://gswater.com/nipomoCCR/)**

El informe de Confianza del Consumidor o CCR, es un informe anual de la calidad de agua potable que el Decreto de Agua Potable Sana requiere que Golden State Water Company le provee. El objetivo del CCR es aumentar la conciencia de los consumidores acerca de la calidad de su agua potable, de donde viene el agua potable, lo que se necesita para distribuir agua a su hogar, y la importancia de proteger fuentes de agua potable. Este informe contiene información importante acerca del origen y la calidad de su agua potable.

Si desea una copia en papel del CCR del 2020 enviado por correo a su dirección o si desea hablar con alguien sobre el informe, llame al 1-800-999-4033 o por correo electrónico a [waterquality@gswater.com](mailto:waterquality@gswater.com).

Sincerely,  
Golden State Water Company

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LOMPOC RECORD

GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY  
KATE MARTIN  
401 S DIMAS CANYON RD.  
SAN DIMAS CA 91773

ORDER NUMBER 3370

I am the principal clerk of the printer of the Lompoc Record, newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in the city of Lompoc, County of Santa Barbara, and which newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the superior court of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California adjudication #47065.

Interested parties who would like to view or print a copy of Golden State Water Company's 2020 Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report) for the Year 2019 can access the report on the web at: [www.gswater.com/annual-water-quality-reports](http://www.gswater.com/annual-water-quality-reports).

Legal #3370  
Pub dates: Jul 29 & Aug 5, 2020

That the notice of which the annexed is a printed copy (set in type not smaller than nonpareil), has been published in each regular and entire issue of said newspaper and not in any supplement thereof on the following dates, to wit:

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Section: Legals

Category: 986 Legals

PUBLISHED ON: 07/29/2020 08/05/2020

TOTAL AD COST: 24.42  
FILED ON: 08/05/2020

Dated at Santa Maria, CA

This 5<sup>th</sup> day of Aug, 2020

Signature

*Teresa Ramirez*

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State of California

SANTA MARIA TIMES

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GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY  
KATE MARTIN  
401 S DIMAS CANYON RD.  
SAN DIMAS CA 91773

ORDER NUMBER 3369

I am the principal clerk of the printer of the Santa Maria Times, newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in the city of Santa Maria, County of Santa Barbara, and which newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the superior court of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California adjudication #463687.

Interested parties who would like to view or print a copy of Golden State Water Company's 2020 Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report) for the Year 2019 can access the report on the web at: [www.gswater.com/annual-water-quality-reports](http://www.gswater.com/annual-water-quality-reports).

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Pub dates: Jul 25 & Aug 1, 2020

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Section: Legals

Category: 986 Legals

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TOTAL AD COST: 33.88  
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Dated at Santa Maria, CA

This 3<sup>rd</sup> day of Aug, 2020

Signature

*Jeresa Ramirez*

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State of California

SANTA YNEZ VALLEY NEWS

GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY  
KATE MARTIN  
401 S DIMAS CANYON RD.  
SAN DIMAS CA 91773  
USA

ORDER NUMBER 3371

I am the principal clerk of the printer of the  
Santy Ynez Valley Times, newspaper of general  
circulation, printed and published in the city of  
Solvang, County of Santa Barbara, and which  
newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of  
general circulation by the superior court of the  
County of Santa Barbara, State of California  
adjudication #47216.

Interested parties who would like to  
view or print a copy of Golden State  
Water Company's 2020 Water  
Quality Report (Consumer  
Confidence Report) for the Year  
2019 can access the report on the  
web at: [www.gswater.com/annual-  
water-quality-reports](http://www.gswater.com/annual-water-quality-reports).

Legal #3371  
Pub dates: Jul 30 & Aug 6, 2020

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issue of said newspaper and not in any supplement  
thereof on the following dates, to wit:

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury  
that the foregoing is true and correct.

Section: Legals  
Category: 986 Legals  
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TOTAL AD COST: 28.38  
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Dated at Santa Maria, CA

This 6<sup>th</sup> day of Aug, 2020

Signature

*Teresa Ramirez*

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 401 S. SAN DIMAS CANYON RD.  
 SAN DIMAS, CA 91773

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In The Superior Court of The State of California  
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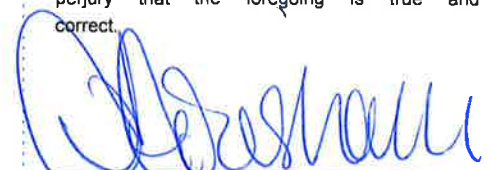
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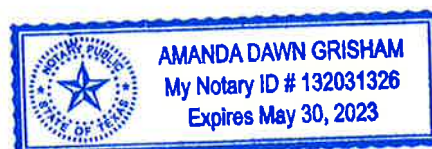
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(Signature of Principal Clerk)

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