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CHAPTER 1: ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY OF LAFCO

Local Agency Formation Commissions (LAFCOs) are independent agencies that were established by state legislation in 1963 in each county in California to oversee changes in local agency boundaries and organizational structures. It is LAFCO's responsibility to:

- oversee the logical, efficient, and most appropriate formation of local cities and special districts;
- provide for the logical progression of agency boundaries and efficient expansion of municipal services;
- assure the efficient provision of municipal services; and
- discourage the premature conversion of agricultural and open space lands (Government Code [GC] §§ 56100, 56301, 56425, 56430, 56378).

The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (CKH Act) requires each LAFCO to prepare a Municipal Service Review (MSR) for its cities and special districts. MSRs are required prior to and in conjunction with the update of a Sphere of Influence (SOI). This document presents both a MSR and SOI update and is intended to provide Napa LAFCO with the necessary and relevant information for the City of Calistoga, specifically regarding the appropriateness of the City's existing and proposed boundaries and SOI.

1.1 ABOUT NAPA LAFCO

Although each LAFCO works to implement the CKH Act, there is flexibility in how these state regulations are implemented so as to allow adaptation to local needs. As a result, Napa LAFCO has adopted policies, procedures and principles that guide its operations. Municipal Service Review Policies were adopted on November 3,2008, and amended on August 4, 2014 and October 5, 2015. Sphere of Influence Policies were adopted on August 9, 1972, and amended on October 3, 2011. These policies and procedures can be found on Napa LAFCO's website (http://www.napa.LAFCO.ca.gov/).

This MSR is an information tool that can be used to facilitate cooperation among agency managers and LAFCO to achieve the efficient delivery of services. Describing existing efficiencies in service deliveries and suggesting new opportunities to improve efficiencies is a key objective of this MSR, consistent with LAFCO's purposes. Since this MSR/SOI will be published on LAFCO's website, it also contributes to LAFCO's principle relating to transparency of process and information. A public hearing will be conducted by LAFCO on this MSR and SOI Update, thereby contributing to LAFCO's aim of encouraging an open and engaged process.

This MSR was written under the auspices of the Napa LAFCO. Napa LAFCO has a public Commission with five regular Commissioners and three alternate Commissioners as follows:

Commissioners

- Diane Dillon, Chair, County Member
- Gregory Pitts, Vice Chair, City Member
- Juliana Inman, Commissioner, City Member
- Brian J. Kelly, Commissioner, Public Member
- Brad Wagenknecht, Commissioner, County Member
- Joan Bennett, Alternate Commissioner, City Member
- Keith Caldwell, Alternate Commissioner, County Member
- Gregory Rodeno, Alternate Commissioner, Public Member

Staff / Administrative

- Brendon Freeman, Executive Officer
- Kathy Mabry, Commission Secretary
- Jennifer Gore, Commission Counsel

1.2 PURPOSE OF THE MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEW

MSRs are intended to provide LAFCO with a comprehensive analysis of services provided by cities and special districts that fall under the legislative authority of LAFCO. This review will provide Napa LAFCO with the information and analysis necessary to evaluate existing boundaries and consider SOIs for these service providers. The MSR makes determinations in each of seven mandated areas of evaluation, providing the basis for LAFCO to review proposed changes to a service provider's boundaries or SOI.

An SOI is defined in GC § 56425 as "a plan for the probable physical boundary and service area of a local agency or municipality as determined by the Commission." LAFCO is required to adopt an SOI for each city and each agency in its jurisdiction. When reviewing and determining SOI's for these service providers, LAFCO will consider and make recommendations based on the following information:

- The present and planned land uses in the area;
- The present and probable need for public services and facilities in the area;
- The present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides;
- The existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area if LAFCO determines that they are relevant to the service provider; and
- The presence of disadvantaged unincorporated communities for those agencies that provide water, wastewater, or structural fire protection services.

Ideally, an MSR will support not only LAFCO but will also provide the following benefits to the subject agencies:

- Provide a broad overview of agency operations including type and extent of services provided;
- Serve as a prerequisite for a sphere of influence update (included herein);
- Evaluate governance options and financial information;
- Demonstrate accountability and transparency to LAFCO and to the public; and
- Allow agencies to compare their operations and services with other similar agencies.

This MSR is designed to provide technical and administrative information on municipal service provided by the City of Calistoga. This information is presented so that LAFCO can make informed decisions based on the best available data for each municipal service and area served. Written determinations, as required by law, are presented in Chapter 6 of this MSR for LAFCO's consideration. LAFCO is ultimately the decision maker on approval or disapproval of any determinations, policies, boundaries, and discretionary items.

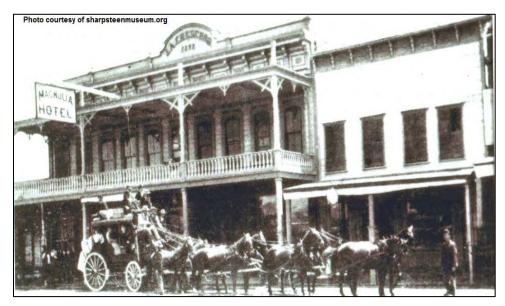
1.3 METHODOLOGY FOR THIS MSR & SOI UPDATE

The CKH Act indicates that LAFCO should review and update a sphere of influence every five years, as necessary, consistent with GC § 56425(g) and 56106¹. Many LAFCOs aim to update MSRs on a similar five to ten year schedule. The last MSR for Calistoga was adopted by Napa LAFCO in 2008. This MSR and SOI Update evaluates the structure and operation of each of the municipal services and discusses possible areas for streamlining, improvement, and coordination. Key references and information sources for this study were gathered. The references utilized in this study include published reports; review of agency files and databases (agendas, minutes, budgets, contracts, audits, etc.); master plans; capital improvement plans; engineering reports; EIRs; finance studies; general plans; and state and regional agency information (permits, reviews, communications, regulatory requirements, etc.). Additionally, the consulting team, in coordination with the LAFCO Executive Officer, sent the City a Request for Information (RFI), and the City's response to this request was a key information source. LAFCO's Executive Officer and members of the consultant team also visited City Hall and personally interviewed City representatives.

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¹ Section 56106 of CKH states that all timeframes are directive. Any provision governing the time in which commission is to act, is deemed directory rather than mandatory

This MSR forms
the basis for
specific
judgments, known
as
determinations,
about each
agency that
LAFCO is required
to make (GC §
56430). These
determinations
are described in
the MSR
Guidelines from



the State of California Office of Planning & Research (OPR) as set forth in the CKH Act, and they fall into seven categories, as listed below:

- 1. Growth and population projections for the affected area;
- 2. Location and characteristics of any disadvantaged unincorporated communities within or contiguous to the sphere of influence;
- 3. Present and planned capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services including infrastructure needs or deficiencies;
- 4. Financial ability of agency to provide services;
- 5. Status of, and opportunities for, shared facilities;
- 6. Accountability for community service needs, including government structure and operational efficiencies; and
- 7. Any other matter related to effective or efficient service delivery, as required by commission policy.

An MSR must include an analysis of the issues and written determination(s) for each of the above determination categories.

California Environmental Quality Act

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) is contained in Public Resources Code § 21000, et seq. Under this law public agencies are required to evaluate the potential environmental effects of their actions. The MSR analysis is exempt from CEQA under a Class 6 categorical exemption. CEQA Guidelines § 15306 state that "Class 6 consists of basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities that do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. It should be noted that if LAFCO acts to change the SOI for the City, CEQA requirements must be satisfied. The lead agency for CEQA compliance would most likely be LAFCO.

1.4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

LAFCO hosted a public meeting on the Preliminary Draft MSR on July 18, 2016. Comments from the public were solicited and six comments from the public were received. The Commission held a public meeting on the Final MSR on October 3, 2016 and Dec 5, 2016.

After this MSR/SOI Update is finalized, it will be published on the Commission's website (http://www.napa.LAFCO.ca.gov/), thereby making the information contained herein available to anyone with access to an internet connection. A copy of this MSR/SOI Update and e-copies of many of the planning documents and studies that were utilized in the development of this MSR may be viewed during posted office hours at LAFCO's office located at 1030 Seminary Street, Suite B, Napa, CA 94559. In addition to this MSR/SOI Update, LAFCO's office maintains files for each service provider in Napa County. These materials are also available to the public for review.

CHAPTER 2: OVERVIEW OF AGENCY

2.1 AGENCY PROFILE - CITY OF CALISTOGA

Type of Agency: City

Enabling Legislation: General-Law City, California Constitution, Article 11, Section 2, and

Government Code § 34000 et seq.

Functions/Services: Municipal services provided directly by the City include law enforcement, fire protection and emergency medical, water, sewer, streets, planning, and community recreation. Municipal services provided by Calistoga through contracts or joint-power authorities with other agencies or companies include garbage collection, specialized engineering services, building inspection and plan check services, animal control services, and other specialized services as needed.

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City Manager: Dylan Feik City Clerk: Kathy Flamson

Governing Body: City Council Term Expires

Chris Canning, Mayor
Michael Dunsford, Vice Mayor
Gary Kraus, Councilmember
James Barnes, Councilmember
Irais Lopez-Ortega, Councilmember
December, 2018
December, 2018
December, 2018
December, 2018

Meeting Schedule: 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm.

Meeting Location: Calistoga Community Center, 1307 Washington Street, Calistoga,

CA 94515

Date of Incorporation: January 6, 1886 Principal County: Napa County

Other: Registered resident-voter system

2.2 SERVICES AND LOCATION

Calistoga was initially settled in 1845 and incorporated as a general-law city in 1886. It provides a full range of municipal services either directly or by contract with other governmental agencies or private companies. Calistoga is currently staffed by 70 full-time equivalent employees (Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget), and has an estimated resident population of 5,180².

Type and Extent of Services

Municipal services provided directly by the City include:

- law enforcement,
- fire protection and emergency medical,
- water,
- sewer,
- storm drainage,
- planning, and
- **I** community recreation.

Municipal services provided by Calistoga through contracts or joint-power authorities with other agencies or companies include garbage collection, specialized engineering services, building inspection, animal control services, and plan check services, and other specialized services as needed.

Also, the City is part of Joint Powers Agreements as follows:

- Upper Valley Waste Management Agency garbage collection
- Marin Clean Energy energy provider
- Napa Valley Transportation Authority regional transportation services
- Napa County Flood Control Napa County Stormwater Management Program
- Western Riverside Council of Governments HERO Program
- Mutual Aide Agreement with CalWARN for emergency Public Works
- Mutual Aid Agreement with Napa County, Cities of Napa and St. Helena for fire protection services
- Joint Use Agreement with the Calistoga Unified School District for shared use of facilities

(Data Source: Calistoga, 2016)

Calistoga residents also benefit from public services that are provided by other agencies, as listed in Table 2-1, below.

² Per the California Department of Finance, January 2016 estimate.

Table 2-1: Non-City Services	Table 2-1: Non-City Services			
Provider	Services			
Napa County	Public assistance, library, elections, tax			
	assessment and collection, treasury			
	management, official records, public and			
	behavioral health, social programs,			
	corrections, animal shelter, library, and			
	information technology systems and GIS.			
	Also, mutual aid agreements with Napa			
	County Sheriff and Napa County Fire			
	Department.			
Napa County Mosquito Abatement District	Mosquito abatement			
Napa County Flood Control and Water	Flood control			
Conservation District				
Napa County Regional Park and Open	Parks, trails, and recreation			
Space District				
Napa County Housing Authority	Farmworker housing			
Napa County Resource Conservation	Resource conservation			
district				
Calistoga Joint Unified School District	Public Education K-12, playgrounds			
Regional Agencies:	Regional planning & housing allocation			
■ ABAG	studies			
Metropolitan Transportation	Regional transportation planning			
Commission				
Pacific Gas and Electric	Gas, Electricity			
Comcast	Cable Television			
Caltrans	Highway Transportation and Maintenance			
	along Highways 29 and 128			

Location and Size

The City of Calistoga is located in Napa County at the north end of the Napa Valley approximately 27 miles northwest of the City of Napa. Calistoga is bisected by the Napa River and bounded to the east and west by the Howell Mountain and Mayacamas Mountain ridges, respectively. In addition to the dramatic visual setting provided by the adjacent mountain ridges, local geology provides Calistoga with unique geothermal resources, which underlies its celebrated hot springs. Calistoga is also surrounded by rich volcanic and alluvial soils providing for the production of premium wine grapes. The City's boundaries encompass 2.6 square miles. A map of the City's jurisdictional boundaries and sphere of influence is provided as Figure 2-1.

Figure 2.1: Boundary & SOI City of Calistoga

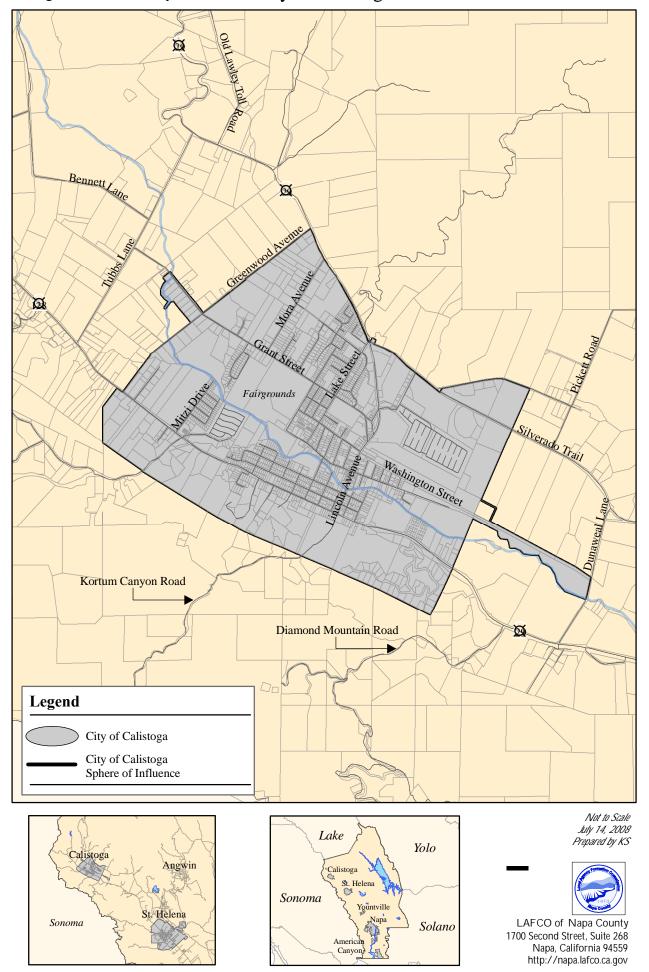


Table 2-2: Geographic Summary for City of Calistoga			
Incorporated Boundary Sphere of influence			
Total Acres	1,651	1,657	
Square Miles	2.60	2.61	
Number of Assessor Parcels	1,659	1,660	

2.3 FORMATION AND BOUNDARY

Beginning with Dr. Edward Turner Bale, the first wave of settlers began arriving at the north end of the Napa Valley in the early 1840s. In the 1860s, Samuel Brannan opened the Calistoga Hot Springs Resort, which served as the community's initial tourist attraction. Brannan also began subdividing blocks of land leading to the creation of a business district along Lincoln Avenue. It was during this time that the first churches and fraternal societies were established, the first newspaper was founded, and the first school was started in the community. The community's gradual development eventually culminated in its incorporation as the City of Calistoga in 1886.

Boundary History

Calistoga's incorporated boundary comprises approximately 1,651 acres, or 2.60 square miles. As listed in Table 2-3, Napa LAFCO has approved a total of nine jurisdictional changes involving Calistoga since 1963. All nine approved jurisdictional changes involved annexations. However, only two of the nine approved annexations were actually completed. The last completed annexation was approved by LAFCO in 1972 and involved the annexation of nine parcels totaling 17 acres located along Myrtledale Road north of Greenwood Avenue.

Table 2-3: Approved Jurisdictional Changes involving the City of Calistoga

Proposal Name	Action	Approval Date
Myrtledale Road/Greenwood Avenue	Annexation	March 8, 1967*
Kimball Dam	Annexation	March 8, 1967*
Feige Canyon Reservoir	Annexation	March 8, 1967*
Kortum Canyon Road	Annexation	March 8, 1967*
Silverado Trail No. 1	Annexation	January 12, 1972
Myrtledale Road/Greenwood Avenue	Annexation	September 11, 1972
Kimball Dam (Resubmittal)	Annexation	September 11, 1972*
Feige Canyon Reservoir (Resubmittal)	Annexation	November 8, 1972*
Calistoga Airport Lands	Annexation	September 11, 1972*

^{*} Proposals were abandoned prior to recordation for unknown reasons.

LAFCO's 2008 MSR for the City recommended that LAFCO work with Calistoga and the State Board of Equalization to identify why the seven proposals were not finalized and to take the

necessary actions to complete the proceedings as originally approved. Neither LAFCO nor the City has made any progress on this recommendation.

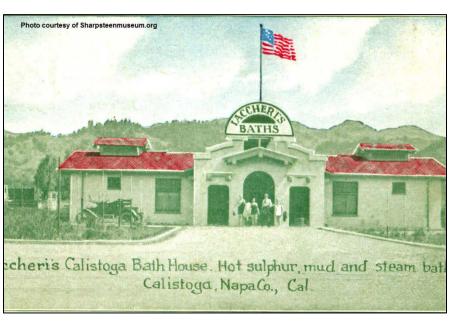
Sphere of Influence

Calistoga's sphere of influence includes is almost coterminous with its boundary line and encompasses a total of 2.61 square miles. The difference between the SOI and the boundary is one unincorporated 5.2 acre parcel located along Washington Street immediately south of the City. This parcel is owned and utilized by Calistoga as part of its municipal sewer system. The sphere was originally established by the Commission (LAFCO) in 1973 and last updated by the Commission in 2008. There have been no amendments since then.

The City has indicated that its existing sphere of influence is suitable for its near-term future needs (Calistoga, 2016).

Extra-territorial Services

The City provides several municipal services residents located outside boundaries through out-of-agency service agreements including structural fire protection services, police protection and services, water service. Additionally, City utilized are



tourists and other non-residents. The water service connections that extend beyond the city limits principally serve residential uses located along Tubbs Lane and Petrified Forest Road. Most of these outside connections were established prior to CKH. Any new or extended services outside Calistoga would require LAFCO approval pursuant to Government Code § 56133.

The Calistoga Police Department responds to incidents in surrounding unincorporated areas based on separate mutual aid agreements with the California Highway Patrol and County of Napa. The Calistoga Fire Department has agreements to be the first responder in nearby areas of unincorporated Napa County and to provide mutual aid to portions of unincorporated Sonoma County.

Assembly Bill (AB) 402³, authored by former Napa LAFCO Commissioner and current Assembly Member Bill Dodd, was signed by Governor Brown on October 2, 2015 and became effective January 1, 2016. This legislation creates a five-year pilot program for Napa and San Bernardino Counties that establishes a mechanism for both Commissions to authorize service provision outside a local agency's jurisdictional boundary and sphere of influence under special circumstances, such as responding to a public health or safety threat within the affected territory⁴. The Bill has been codified under Government Code § 56133.5, which expands upon the existing circumstances for which the Commission may authorize services outside a city's jurisdictional boundary and sphere of influence. LAFCO adopted a process and policies on April 4, 2016 for implementation of the AB402 provisions.

<u>Areas of Interest</u>

The extra-territorial service areas that receive structural fire protection, police protection, and water services from the City are areas of interest. There are no disadvantaged unincorporated communities located adjacent to the City boundaries. No other areas of interest or concern have been identified by the City of Calistoga.

2.4 GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

City Council

Calistoga operates under the council-manager system of government which includes an elected five-member City Council with a directly elected mayor. Elections are conducted by general vote; the mayor serves a two-year term while the four council members serve staggered four-year terms. Council duties include adopting an annual budget and municipal ordinances along with approving General Plan amendments, zoning changes, and subdivision maps. The Council also appoints commission and committee members, and hires the City Manager.

Regularly scheduled Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesdays of every month at 6:00 P.M. in the Calistoga Community Center, located at 1307 Washington Street. The current City Council members are as follows:

Name	Role	Term Expires
Chris Canning	Mayor	December, 2018
Michael Dunsford	Vice Mayor	December, 2020
Gary Kraus	Councilmember	December, 2018
James Barnes	Councilmember	December, 2018
Irais Lopez-Ortega	Councilmember	December, 2016

³ Text of AB 402 is available on-line at: https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB402

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⁴ For additional information regarding service provision outside a local agency's jurisdictional boundary, please refer to the Cortese Knox Hertzberg Act available on-line at: http://www.calafco.org/.

All meetings are open to the public in accordance with the Brown Act. Additionally, City Council Meetings are broadcasted live and later re-broadcasted via tape on local television station, Channel 28. The agenda for each City Council meeting includes a public comment period. The City adopted Rosenberg's Rules of Order on Jan. 15, 2013 and utilizes these rules as its parliamentary procedure. All meetings are publicly posted at least three days prior to Council meetings at City Hall, 1232 Washington Street, Calistoga, at two other physical locations in the city limits of Calistoga and on the City's website at: http://www.ci.calistoga.ca.us/. Agendas are also distributed via email upon request. The City and its representatives have a solid record of adherence to the requirements of the Brown Act, the Political Reform Act, and similar laws. The City's website is a communication vehicle for City Council and Planning Commission meeting agendas, meeting minutes, videos of meetings, and information on the City's services and programs.

In addition to its government duties, the Council also oversees the Calistoga Public Facilities Corporation, a non-profit public benefit corporation for the financing of City facilities and equipment.

Governing bodies such as a City Council are required to comply with specific state laws including:

- CA Government Code §53235 requires that if a city provides compensation or reimbursement of expenses to its board members, the board members must receive two hours of training in ethics at least once every two years and the city must establish a written policy on reimbursements.
- The CA Political Reform Act (Government Code §81000, et seq.) requires state and
 - local government agencies to adopt and promulgate conflict of interest codes. The Fair Political Practices Commission has adopted a regulation (California Code of Regulations §18730), which contains the terms of a standard conflict of interest code, which can be incorporated by reference in an agency's code.
- Government Code §87203 requires persons who hold office to disclose their investments, interests in real property and incomes by filing appropriate forms with the Fair Political Practices Commission each year.

The City Council does comply with each of the above laws and regulations. Any compensation and/or benefits offered to City Council and Planning Commission members are described in MOUs for the various bargaining units.

CITY VISION STATEMENT

To create a vibrant, balanced, safe, sustainable, and healthy community that maintains its authentic charm while ensuring Calistoga's economic vitality.

Advisory Boards, Commissions, and Committees

The City's "planning agency" required by Government Code Section 65100 is the Planning Commission, which consists of five members appointed by the City Council. The Planning Commission usually holds twice-monthly public meetings and is responsible for approving certain environmental documents, design reviews, conditional use permits, parcel maps and variances. The Commission also makes recommendations to the City Council on General Plan amendments, zoning changes, and tentative subdivision maps.

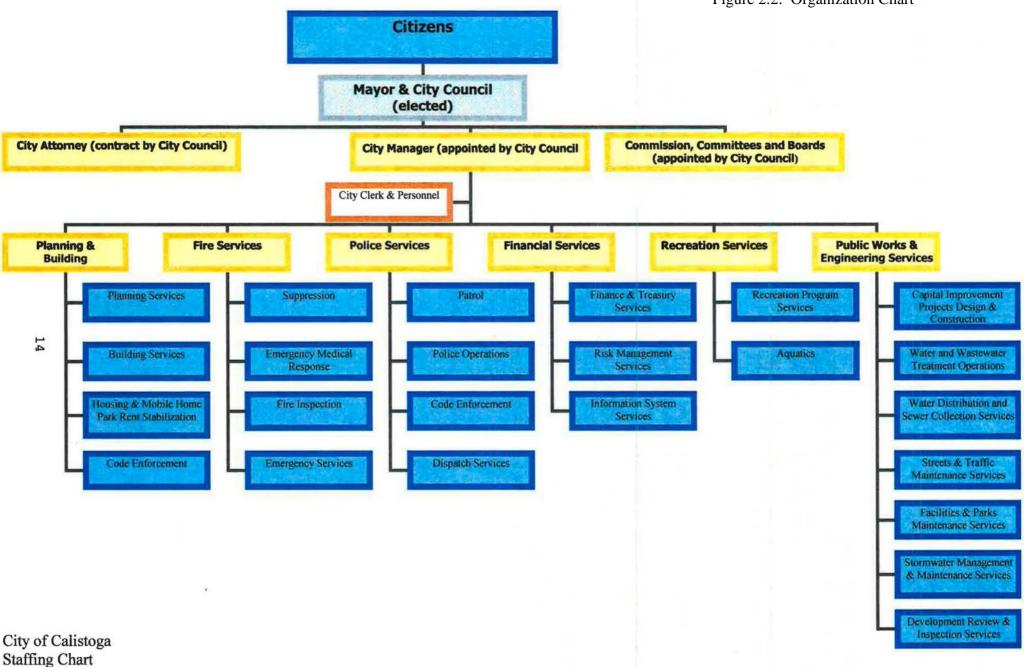
The Calistoga City Council has established other local advisory bodies to assist the City in its decision-making processes. Specific responsibilities for each advisory body are established by their respective ordinance or resolution. These advisory bodies include the Active Transportation Committee, Building Standards Advisory & Appeals Board, Calistoga Community Pool Advisory Committee, Green Committee, and the Calistoga Public Facilities Corporation.

There are several county-wide committees on which Calistoga has a representative including City-County Library Commission, County Wide Bicycle Advisory Committee, Napa County Art & Culture Commission, Napa County Commission On Aging, Napa County Local Food Advisory Council, Napa County Measure A Financial Oversight Committee, Napa County Mosquito Abatement Board Of Trustees, and the Park & Open Space District Advisory Committee. A list of these advisory bodies and the names of City representatives is available as Appendix A of this MSR.

2.5 MANAGEMENT EFFICIENCIES AND STAFFING

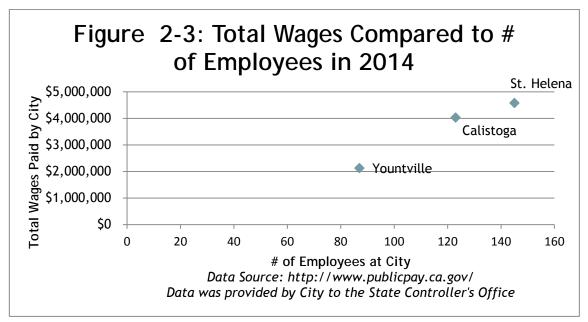
The City operates under the direction of the elected City Council. The City Manager is appointed by and reports to the City Council and is responsible for directing City operations and overseeing and implementing policies on behalf of the City Council. The City Manager serves at-will and oversees Calistoga's seven municipal departments: 1) Administration, 2) Fire, 3) Police, 4) Public Works, 5) Planning and Building, 6) Administrative Services, and 7) Community Resources. Within these seven departments, there are 123 full- and part-time employees as shown in Figure 2-2, Organization Chart. The current City staff totals 70 full-time equivalents (FTEs).

Figure 2.2: Organization Chart



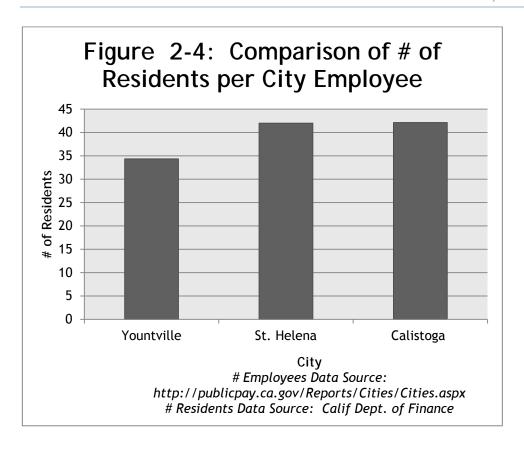
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Cities⁵ (and incorporated Towns) report data related to the number of employees and wages to the California State Controller's office. This data is useful for comparing cities using a consistent methodology. However, it should be noted that there are differences between the data a city reports to the SCO and that which it lists on an organization chart. Specifically, most cities have a number of part-time employees who work only a few hours or for a limited time period and these are counted as "one" employee in the SCO data. However, in an organization chart or a budget they may be counted as fraction of a full-time equivalent employee. With these caveats, the SCO data indicates that the average wage paid per employee in Calistoga is \$32,732 per year. Total wages paid by the City in 2014 were \$4,026,059 as shown in Figure 2.3, below. Figures 2-3_ and _2-4 are intended to be used for illustrative/comparative purposes due to differences in the SCO's methodology to calculate the number of employees.

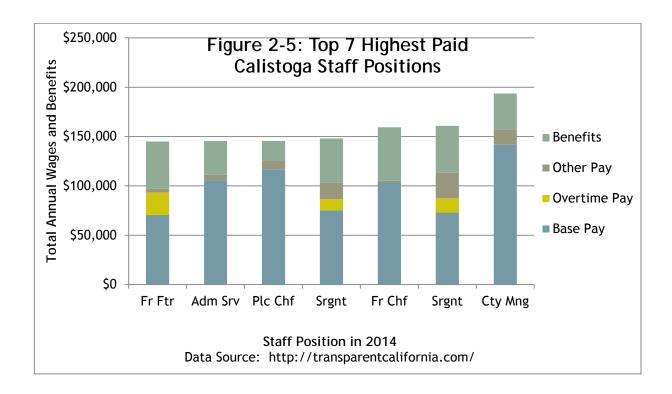


Per capita measurements are one method to compare efficiencies between cities. As shown in Figure 2-4, below, Calistoga has 42.1 residents per City employee, which is more efficient than Yountville, which has one employee per 34.3 residents (CA Controller, 2014).

⁵ Cities (and incorporated Town's) report data related to the number of employees and wages to the California State Controller's office. This data was retrieved and analyzed by the consultants for two purposes: 1) to compare wages across cities and 2) to consider the differences between the data provided to LAFCO as compared to that provided to the State Controller's office. Usually, each jurisdiction uses its own methodology to calculate the number of employees and therefore it is helpful to use data reported to the State Controller's office because it requires use of a standardized methodology. Please note that here, the cities count the number of employee's using a methodology defined by the State Controller's office and it may include part-time or other individuals who may receive payments, but are not typically recognized as an "employee".



The City Manager is the highest paid City employee as shown in Figure 2-5, below.



An overview of each municipal department is provided below.

Administration

Administration includes the City Manager, City Clerk, Treasurer, Finance (including Utility Billing), Risk Management Services and Information Systems. Key duties for the City Manager include implementing policy direction from the City Council and directing staff resources. The City Manager also serves as the Personnel Director and the Director of Emergency Services. The City Clerk is responsible for preparing agendas and minutes, providing public notices, conducting general municipal and special elections, and maintaining official records. Calistoga contracts with the law firm of Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP for legal services. The City receives approximately 30 to 35 complaints each year and while those complaints are directed towards the pertinent City department for resolution, City Administration retains the ultimate responsibility. The Administration Department currently operates with 4.7 FTE positions.

Public Works Department

The Public Works Department manages all public facilities and infrastructure in Calistoga. This includes maintaining streets, storm drains, parks, and the water and sewer systems and treatment facilities. The Department has a staff of 20.8 full-time and part-time employees and is managed by the Public Works Director/City Engineer. Other staff positions include Maintenance Superintendent and seven maintenance technicians, a Deputy Director, Administrative Analyst, Administrative Assistant, and a Water and Sewer Plant Superintendent with five plant operators. Additionally, the City has a mutual aid agreement with CalWARN for Public Works (Calistoga, 2016).

Planning and Building Department

The Planning and Building Department is responsible for providing land use planning, building, and code enforcement services in Calistoga. Key duties include implementing the policies of the General Plan, issuing building permits, conducting inspections, and reviewing development project applications. Outside consulting building inspection and plan check services are employed by the Department. The Department is managed by the Planning and Building Director and includes a Senior Planner, and an Administrative Assistant. The Planning and Building Department currently operates with 2.5 FTE positions.

Police Department

The Police Department is responsible for providing law enforcement services in Calistoga. The Department is managed by the Police Chief and includes two Sergeants and eight sworn officers. Support personnel include a Records Supervisor with three full-time and three part-time dispatchers. Specialized personnel include the Community Services Officer, one Juvenile Diversion Specialist (part time) and two parking officers. The Napa County Sheriff's Department provides special weapons and tactics by mutual agreement with the City. The Police Department currently operates with 16.0 FTE positions.

Fire Department

The Fire Department is responsible for providing fire protection and emergency medical services in Calistoga as well as within certain surrounding unincorporated areas pursuant to separate agreements with the Counties of Napa and Sonoma. The total coverage area for the Department to provide services is 56 square miles. The Department is managed by the Fire Chief. Additionally, the City has a mutual aid agreement for emergency medical, fire protection and related services, (Calistoga, 2016). The Fire Department currently operates with 4 FTE and 12 PTE positions.

Administrative Services Department

Administrative Services is responsible for the budget and financial project activities as well as account management (payroll, accounts payable, accounts receivable). Administrative Services also provides treasury, tax collection, water and wastewater billing, risk management, computer network systems, and grant administration services. The Department is managed by the Administrative Services Director/Treasurer. Administrative Services Department personnel are included within the Administration Department.

Recreation Services Department

This Department is responsible for developing and managing aquatics, recreational, community, and leisure service programs in Calistoga. The Department is managed by the Recreation Services Manager and supported by three recreational coordinators and several

seasonal program aides. The Recreation Department currently operates with 7.0 FTE positions.

Awards to City

The City of Calistoga has been recognized for its ongoing efforts to provide city services in a financially-competent and environmentally-sensitive manner. The City has received numerous awards and grants as listed in Table 2-4, below.

CITY MISSION STATEMENT

To set policy and direction through a process of trust and transparency that reflects the goals of the community and ensures their safety and well-being.

The goals of the City of Calistoga are as follows:

- Maintain and enhance economic viability;
- Offer excellent professional services to all customers;
- Establish, improve, and maintain City infrastructure;
- Create an environmentally sustainable community;
- Maintain the small-town, rural character of Calistoga;
- Expand and improve recreational services and facilities.

Table 2-4: Summary of Awards and Grants - City of Calistoga (not a comprehensive list)					
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
	Government	Government	Government		
	Finance	Finance	Finance		
	Officers	Officers	Officers		
Awards/	Association	Association	Association		
Honors:	Award	Award	Award		
			TDA-3, ADA		Active
			Improvements,		Transportation
	Highway and	TDA-3,	Bike Racks and	TFCA, Napa	Program, Napa
	Bridge Grant,	Pedestrian	Napa River	River	Valley Vine
Grants:	Berry Bridge	safety	Pathway	Pathway	Trail
	Cal Recycle	Cal Recycle	Cal Recycle	Cal Recycle	Cal Recycle
					Hazard
					Mitigation
					Grant for
					Feige Water
					Tank
				Housing	Replacement
				Related	and
			IRWM Drought	Parks	Reconstruction
			Grant,	Program,	and lining of
	TFCA, Bike		Recycled Water	Monhoff	the Riverside
	Racks		Storage	Center	Ponds
Data Source: Calistoga, 2016.					

CHAPTER 3: SOCIO-ECONOMICS

3.1 PRESENT AND PLANNED LAND USES

Existing land use

Land use decisions are one of the most important legal authorities available to a city. People living within a city may choose to move when social or economic situations change. However, a city is tied to its geography and cannot move. A city is directly supported by the local water supply and other natural resources in its nearby proximity. The land use decisions a city makes are critical, since land use generates local economic conditions and associated tax revenues that support city services.

Napa County is located within the Napa Metropolitan Statistical Area, and it is within relatively feasible commuting distance to San Francisco, Oakland, and Sacramento. Additionally, there is easy access to airports and to ports for shipping agricultural and other products to customers around the world. These factors, along with its Mediterranean climate and scenic landscape make Napa County an economically robust area and a desirable place to live and work. There is some pressure on the five incorporated cities within the County to balance their opportunities for the development of housing and commercial facilities along with protecting the scenic agricultural and forested landscape. A general economic forecast for Napa County is provided for background information in Appendix B.

The City of Calistoga has 2,776 parcels; 302 are vacant homes, 249 are commercial, and 59 are vacation homes (RCAC, 2015). Single-family homes are the predominant land-use, consuming the largest amount of developed land within the city limits. The City also contains multi-family units and mobile homes, lending it a variety of housing types at a range of price points. Twenty-one percent of the land within the city limits is utilized for agriculture. Parks and public space are important existing uses. Commercial development is concentrated along Lincoln Avenue, which functions as the "main street" for the Commercial uses include stores, offices, personal services, banks and community. restaurants. Most of the retail and service establishments consist of privately-owned small businesses. Tourism-related commercial uses occupy approximately seven percent of the land area within the city limits. Light industrial area is very limited. The Napa County Fairgrounds operates a year-round facility located within the City limits. The Fairgrounds hosts the annual fair, golf course, RV park, and speedway. Table 3-1, below lists the acreage associated with each type of existing land use within the City limits (Calistoga, 2015).

Table 3-1: Existing Land Use Distribution in Calistoga			
Land-Use Type	Acres	Percentage	
Single-Family Residential	515	37%	
Agriculture	299	21%	
Public	106	8%	
Vacant	95	7%	
Tourism-Relate	92	7%	
Park, Public Recreation	89	6%	
Mobile Home Park	75	5%	
Multi-Family Residential	62	4%	
Commercial	27	2%	
Light Industrial	33	2%	
Religious Facilities	8	1%	
Total	1401	100	
Source: Calistoga, 2015			

Since the previous MSR was published in 2008, the City has seen the construction of two major projects: 1) a 48 unit apartment project for farmworker families and 2) the Indian Springs Resort expansion consisting of 75 new hotel units, restaurant, yoga building and event barn (Calistoga, 2016). Annexations have not occurred since 1972.

The majority of unincorporated lands adjacent to Calistoga are designated under the County of Napa General Plan as Agricultural Resource or Agriculture, Watershed and Open Space. These designations support the preservation of existing agricultural and open-space land uses by requiring minimum parcel sizes of 40 and 160 acres, respectively. The majority of these unincorporated lands are also zoned by the County as Agricultural Watershed or Agricultural Preserve and presently include a number of commercial vineyards and wineries. A key exception involves an approximately 92-acre area located immediately south of Calistoga near the intersection of State Highway 29 and Diamond Mountain Road. The County designates and zones this area as Rural Residential and Residential Country, which requires a minimum parcel size of 10 acres. Additionally, planned development consisting of new residential units is proposed southeast of Highway 29 south of Kortum Canyon Road.

General Plan, Zoning, and Policies

Calistoga's General Plan was comprehensively updated in 2003 and codifies land use policies for the City through 2020. The General Plan contains 11 elements, including the seven mandatory elements required under California Government Code §65302. More recently, several elements of the General Plan have been updated including: Land Use Element (2015); Community Identity Element (2012); Circulation Element (2014); Housing Element (2014); Public Services Element (2014); and Public Safety Element (2014). The remaining elements (Infrastructure, Open Space and Conservation, Noise, Geothermal, and Economic Development) were all adopted in 2003.

Land-Use Vision – City of Calistoga

Calistoga will remain a walkable, small town, made up of a vibrant, eclectic main street set within pedestrian-oriented neighborhoods of modestly-sized homes and surrounded by wineries, vineyards and other agricultural lands. The temperate climate, the Palisades, Napa River and its creeks frame our physical identity.

Visitors will continue to be attracted to Calistoga because of its unique small-town character, shops, restaurants, health spas and the surrounding natural beauty. Calistogans know that the town also provides a strong sense of belonging for its residents. It contains a broad array of 19th and early 20th century buildings that form a multi-faceted streetscape and support an economically-diverse community.

Calistoga will retain its qualities for future generations by providing a vibrant economy linked to a viable community social structure, and by conserving the ecosystem that supports it. Calistoga is, and will remain, a community in which its residents can take pride

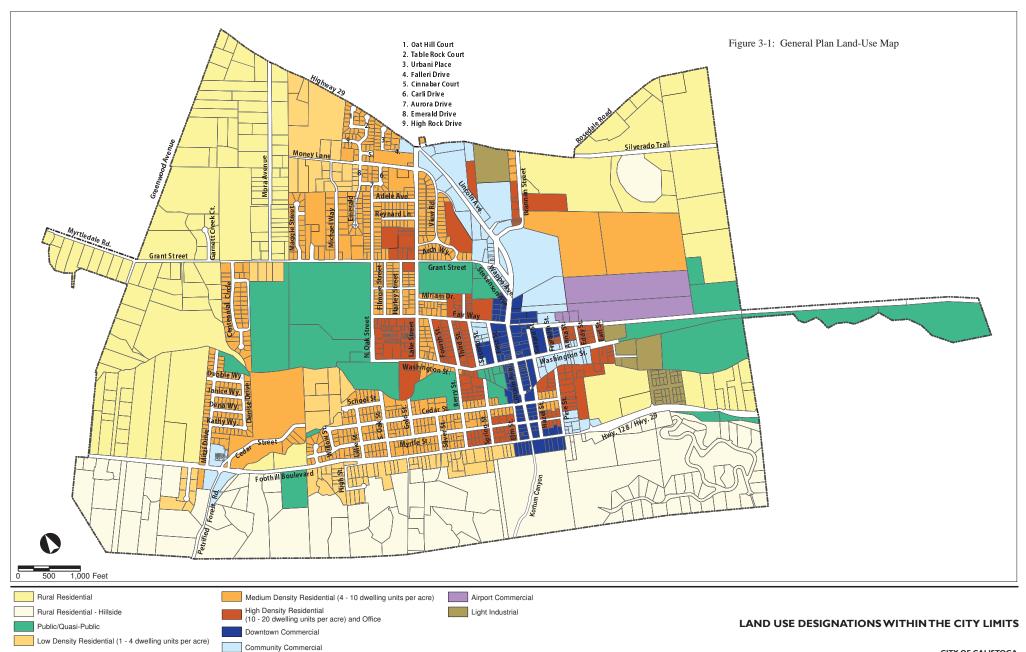
The General Plan is predicated on maintaining Calistoga's identity as a small-town and includes several growth control policies, such as discouraging the annexation of adjacent unincorporated lands. Significantly, Calistoga's General Plan designates a planning area that is measurably larger than Calistoga's incorporated boundary and sphere of influence. For those parcels located outside the city limits yet within the Planning Area, the City has adopted the County's land use designations.

Calistoga established an allocation system to better control the annual rate of residential and non-residential growth in the City. Notably, this allocation system restricts the number of approved residential projects to ensure no more than a 1.35% annual increase in population. Allocations are subject to an application process and awarded by the Planning and Building Director.

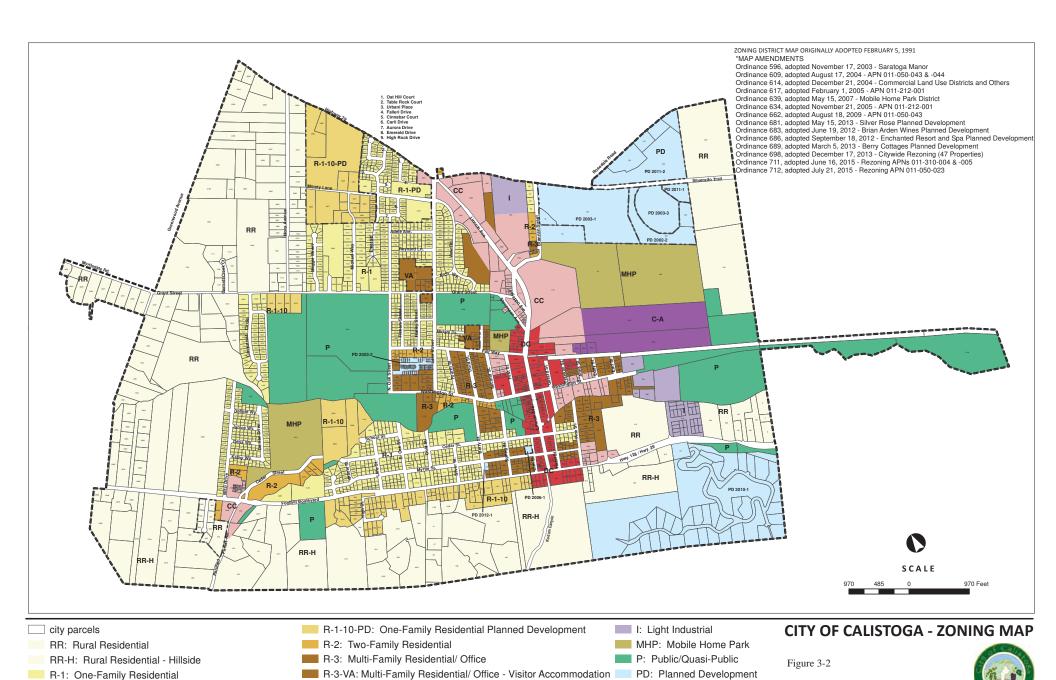
The General Plan Land Use Map is provided as Figure 3-1. The City Zoning Map is provided as Figure 3-2. No changes are currently proposed to the City's General Plan land use map. Additionally no General Plan amendments are anticipated in the near future (Calistoga, 2016). The City generated a list of pending and approved development projects which is provided as Appendix C.

The General Plan establishes standards with respect to the timing, delivery, and adequacy of public services in Calistoga. These standards help to define the level of service in the community and provide the public with a tool to measure the success of Calistoga in meeting its service objectives. Key land use and infrastructure policies included in the General Plan are summarized below:

- Annexation of any unincorporated land shall be discouraged (P4.1-1 in Land-Use Element).
- Commercial development in Calistoga shall be focused in the downtown area (P1.1-2 in Land-Use Element);
- The City shall encourage infill development and development on land with necessary public infrastructure in place (P1.1-5 in Land-Use Element).



^{*} See Figures LU-6 and LU-7 for Overlay Land Use Districts



C-A: Commercial Airport

R-1-PD: One-Family Residential Planned Development DC: Downtown Commercial

R-1-10: One-Family Residential

CC: Community Commercial

- Tourism activities shall be regulated to minimize adverse impacts to other segments of the economy, and the resident population (P1.2-1 in Land Use Element).
- The City shall collaborate with Napa County and with Napa County LAFCO to protect existing land uses from development inappropriate for rural areas (P4.1-4 in Land Use Element).
- The City shall advocate at the State level for expansion of incentives, such as Williamson Act contracts, that allow agricultural operations to remain economically viable (P4.1-5 in Land Use Element).
- No commercial or industrial uses shall be permitted unless they meet noise, air, water and wastewater quality standards and have access to City water, wastewater, fire and police services (P1.3-4 in Land Use Element).
- Extension of water service beyond the current service area shall be prohibited (P1.3-4 in Infrastructure Element); and
- If and when 95 percent of the capacity of existing water storage, supply and/or distribution systems has been reached, further development in Calistoga will be prohibited until the City has provided sufficient new capacity to accommodate new development (P1.3-7 in Infrastructure Element).

Future Development Potential

A primary concern of LAFCO is whether a city has sufficient infrastructure and public services to support anticipated future growth. There is adequate land within Calistoga to accommodate growth on the 400 acres within the city limits that are currently vacant or utilized for agriculture (see Table 3-1, above). However, General Plan policies aim to retain the City's walkable, small town atmosphere and the Municipal Code limits growth of residential projects to ensure no more than a 1.35% annual increase in population. Future growth in Calistoga will likely include new residential, commercial, and visitor service facilities. By the year 2040, the number of housing units in Calistoga is projected by ABAG to increase by 90 units above today's level to a total of 2,130 units (See Table 3-5, below), indicating a slow rate of growth in this sector.

The City generated a list of pending and approved development projects and this list is provided as Appendix C. One project which was approved by voters in 2012, but not yet constructed is called the Silver Rose project. The Silver Rose site will be developed as a Four Seasons hotel with 85 rooms, a spa, restaurant, 10,000-case winery, 6-acre vineyard and 20 free-standing homes. Groundbreaking occurred in November 2015 and the project is expected to be completed in 2018. The City entered into a development agreement with the developer who agreed to pay nearly \$7 million in assorted impact fees related to affordable housing, traffic, recreation, drainage, public safety and wastewater connections. A second large project is Calistoga Hills, which has been approved for a resort hotel with 130 units, ancillary uses and 13 single-family dwellings on 88 acres. Resort developments with no permanent residential dwellings may not count towards the 1.35% annual limit in population.

The City's land use element of the General Plan includes four overlay designations that provide special design and development guidance for key sites in Calistoga as follows:

- Planned Development Overlay
 - Silverado Trail Planned Development Overlay
 - o Calistoga Hills Planned Development Overlay
- Entry Corridor Overlay
- Visitor Accommodation Overlay
- Character Area and Gateway Overlays
 - Downtown Character Area Overlay
 - Stevenson/Grant Sub-Area
 - o Foothill Character Area Overlay
 - Gliderport Character Area Overlay
 - Lower Washington Character Area Overlay
 - Resort Character Area Overlay
 - Silverado Trail Section
 - Lincoln Avenue Section
 - State Highway 29 Character Area Overlay
 - Lincoln Avenue/Foothill Boulevard Gateway
 - Petrified Forest Gateway
 - Silverado Trail Gateway

The above overlay districts outline geographic areas of potential growth and/or redevelopment. The City is pursuing new small scale (but high quality) development to diversify the local economy.

Regional Transportation Plans & Sustainable Community Strategies

Government Code Section 56668 requires LAFCOs to consider regional transportation plans and sustainable community strategies before making boundary decisions.

The City of Calistoga and the four other municipalities of Napa County participate in the Napa Valley Transportation Authority (NVTA). The NVTA functions as the region's Congestion Management Agency and provides input to the Bay Area-wide Metropolitan Transportation Commission's 20-year Regional Transportation Plan for prioritizing projects and allocating state and federal transportation funds. As a result of this collaboration, there are several local and regional transportation plans which are applicable to Calistoga, as listed in Table 3-2, below.

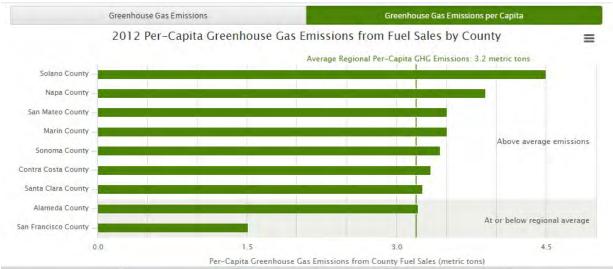
Table 3-2: Regional and Local Transportation Plans			
Name of Plan	Date	Plan Sponsor	Website Link
Circulation Element of the Calistoga General Plan	2014	City of Calistoga	http://www.ci.calistoga.ca.us/city-hall/departments-services/planning-building-department/plans-programs-and-land-use-regulations/calistoga-general-plan/calistoga-general-plan
Active Transportation Plan	October 21, 2014	City of Calistoga	http://www.ci.calistoga.ca.us/home/ showdocument?id=18941
Napa Countywide Pedestrian Plan, Chapter 2, Calistoga - DRAFT	January 2016	Napa Valley Transportation Authority	http://ci.calistoga.ca.us/home /showdocument?id=21784
Vision 2040 Moving Napa Forward. A Countywide Transportation Plan	Sept., 16, 2015	Napa Valley Transportation Authority	http://www.nvta.ca.gov/sites/defaul t/files/Vision%202040%20Countywide% 20Plan.pdf
Countywide Bicycle Plan	January 2012	Napa Valley Transportation Authority (formerly NCTPA)	http://www.nvta.ca.gov/nctpa- countywide-bike-plan-0
SR 29 Gateway Corridor Implementation Plan	October 2014	Napa Valley Transportation Authority (formerly NCTPA)	http://www.nvta.ca.gov/sr29- gateway-corridor-improvement-plan
Plan Bay Area	July 18, 2013	MTC and ABAG	http://planbayarea.org/the- plan/adopted-plan-bay-area- 2013.html

The City's Circulation Element recognizes that the City needs continuing investment in transit, trails, and parking. The City's investment in transit and trails may result in increased property tax and sales tax revenue (ULI, 2016). Additionally, the City has a five member Active Transportation Advisory Committee that provides ideas and activities to improve bicycling, walking and other active modes of transportation within the City of Calistoga. NVTA funds the Calistoga Shuttle⁶, an on-demand transit service within city limits for the general public. The Calistoga Shuttle connects with the VINE Transit Service for service to the City of Napa.

The provision of regional transit and alternative transportation is especially important in Napa County, because Napa County has the second highest greenhouse gas emissions from automobiles on a per capita basis of the nine Bay Area counties, as shown in Figure 3-3, below (MTC, 2016). Napa County's high GHG emissions from autos of 3.9 metric tons per capita are significantly higher than the 3.2 metric tons per capita rate that is the average of the nine Bay Area Counties. Napa County's GHG emissions are mostly due to the lack of

⁶ Details on the Calistoga Shuttle are available at: http://www.ridethevine.com/calistoga-shuttle

alternative transit options for both residents and tourists in the region. The very low population density of the area contributes to the difficulty in developing transportation alternatives. Also the majority of road miles traveled occur in the unincorporated area (NCTPA, 2009). Napa County and each of the five cities have actively tried to mitigate this through the adoption of various sustainable transit and climate plans. Additionally, construction of several trails in the area serves to increase the use of alternate transportation, reduce emissions from vehicular sources, reduce road and highway traffic, and implement adopted plans..



Source: Metropolitan Transportation Commission, Vital Signs Website at: http://www.vitalsigns.mtc.ca.gov/greenhouse-gas-emissions. Accessed on 21March2016.

The 3.9 metric tons per capita of GHG from autos was calculated based on a survey of fueling stations. Greenhouse gas emissions were calculated by MTC based on the gallons of gasoline and diesel sales. Per-capita greenhouse gas emissions were calculated by dividing emissions attributable to fuel sold in that county by the total number of county residents. It is acknowledged that there may be a slight bias in the data given that a fraction of fuel sold in a given county may be purchased by non-residents (i.e. visitors). Since Calistoga's and Napa County's economy is heavily dependent upon tourism and since most of the visiting tourists drive into Napa County, it affects the per capita calculation.

All regions in California must complete a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) as part of a Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), consistent with the requirements of state law, Senate Bill 375. SB 375 requires California's 18 metro areas to integrate transportation, land-use and housing as part of an SCS to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from cars and light-duty trucks. In the Bay Area, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) work together, along with local governments, to develop a SCS that meets greenhouse gas reduction targets adopted by the California Air Resources Board. The RTP and SCS for the Bay Area is called "Plan Bay Area: Strategy for A Sustainable Region" and was adopted on July 18, 2013, as described in Table 3-2, above. A few of the goals and outcomes of Plan Bay Area include:

- Climate Protection: Reduce per-capita CO2 emissions from cars and light-duty trucks by 15 percent (Statutory requirement is for year 2035, per SB 375);
- Healthy and Safe Communities: Reduce by 50 percent the number of injuries and fatalities from all collisions (including bike and pedestrian);
- Open Space and Agricultural Preservation: Direct all non-agricultural development within the urban footprint (existing urban development and urban growth boundaries) (Note: Baseline year is 2010.); and
- Economic Vitality: Increase gross regional product (GRP) by 110 percent — an average annual growth rate of approximately 2 percent (in current dollars)



Bus Transit Routes in Calistoga

3.2 POPULATION AND GROWTH

Existing Population

This section describes the existing population and future growth projections for the City of Calistoga, since these factors must be considered when planning for the provision of services and since a MSR determination is required. A population study of Napa County is presented in Appendix D and an Economic Forecast for Napa County is presented in Appendix B.

Calistoga has experienced modest growth and development since its incorporation. In 1930, the United States Census estimated Calistoga's population at 1,000. Calistoga's population continued to grow modestly over the next four decades reaching 1,882 by 1970. It was between 1970 and 1980 when Calistoga experienced its most significant period of growth as its population more than doubled to 3,879 following the construction of several mobile home parks. Calistoga's growth rate, however, slowed in the 1980s and 1990s due to capacity constraints associated with the water and sewer systems.

In 2005, after completing several infrastructure improvements to the water and sewer systems, Calistoga adopted an ordinance to control the annual rate of residential and non-residential growth in the City. The "Growth Management System" (Calistoga Municipal Code Chapter 19.02) restricts population growth to no more than a 1.35% annual average increase. Non-residential growth is correlated to available water supplies at 8.0 acre feet per year and to wastewater treatment capacity set by the Resource Management System (CMC Chapter 13.16). Calistoga administers this system by

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⁷ A July 7, 2015 Staff Report contains details on the GMS at: http://www.ci.calistoga.ca.us/home/showdocument?id=20459

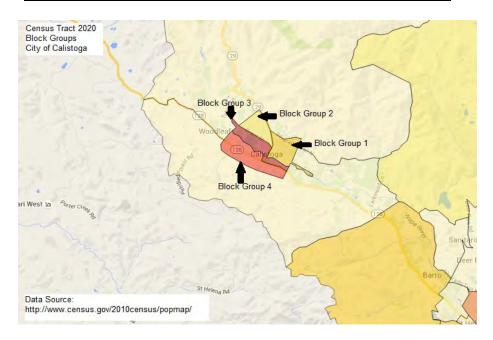
annually determining the available number of "allocations" for residential and non-residential projects.

Calistoga was estimated to have 5,180 full-time residents as of January 2016 (DOF, 2016). Between census years 2000 to 2010, the City's population declined by 35 people. Between census year 2010 and today (2016), the City's population grew by 25 persons, which represents an average annual growth rate of 0.08%. The average population concentration is 1,992 persons per square mile, as shown in Table 3-3, below.

Table 3-3: Historic and Existing Population						
	Total population	Land area (sq. miles)	Population per sq.			
			mile			
2000	5,190	2.6	1,996			
2010	5,155	2.6	1,983			
2015	5,180	2.6	1,992			
Data Source:	DOF, 2016					

Calistoga is in Census Tract 2020 and is divided into four "Block Groups" as listed in Table 3-4 and shown in Figure 3-4, below.

Table 3-4: Block Group Population					
Census Tract 2020	Total Population in 2010				
Block Group 1	1,090				
Block Group 2	929				
Block Group 3	1,706				
Block Group 4 1,430					
Data Source: http://www.census.gov/2010census/popmap/					



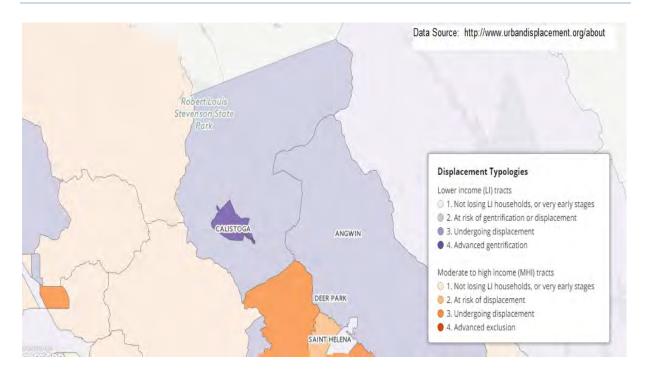
The City of Calistoga's Housing Element provides a very detailed description of socio-economic factors within the City, including age distribution, racial distribution, employment, and economic factors. Since the Housing Element is readily available on-line at the City's website⁸, readers are referred to the Housing Element to learn details about socio-economic factors within the City. Relevant factors are summarized herein. The median age in Calistoga is 40 years as of 2010 Census. The median age within the City is similar to Napa County's, but is 5 years older than the State's median of 35.2 years (Calistoga, 2014). Median household income in Calistoga is \$52,131 (US Census, 2014) and this is significantly lower than Napa County as a whole and other cities within Napa County (Calistoga, 2014).

In 2016 (DOF, 2016), the City contained a total of 2,370 housing units and approximately half of these units were single-family residential units and 25% were mobile homes. There are three mobile home parks for seniors located within the City boundary and many of these residents are on a fixed income. The remaining 25% were a mixture of multi-family units and townhomes (DOF, 2016). Most of the housing units are in good condition (Calistoga, 2014). In Calistoga, approximately 60% of the homes are owner occupied and the remaining 40% are renter occupied (Calistoga, 2014). In 2014, the median sale price of a single-family home in Calistoga was \$505,000 (Calistoga, 2014). Housing affordability is a concern in the City and the City has adopted very innovative affordable housing policies and programs to address this concern. The average household size is estimated at 2.57 persons per household (DOF, 2016).

In the past, some Calistoga residents had slightly lower incomes than those in the other parts of Napa County. In recent years, however, the City has experienced "advanced gentrification" as shown in Figure 3-5, below (Zuk & Chapple, 2015). Gentrification is the process of renewal and rebuilding accompanying the influx of middle-class or affluent people into working-class neighborhoods that often displaces poorer residents. Although the neighborhoods in Calistoga may be changing slowly, over time, cumulative effects may result in the area becoming more segregated by income. This may be partly due to trends at the national level in income inequality. Additionally, the purchase of homes for use as second homes is a growing trend in Calistoga. The City is working to mitigate this trend through the construction of workforce housing.

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⁸ Housing Element is available at: http://www.ci.calistoga.ca.us/home/showdocument?id=12096



Projected Growth and Development

The Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) publishes population, household, job, labor force, and income projections for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Region. ABAG's Projections 2013 includes a range of growth-related estimates for Calistoga through 2035. ABAG projections for Calistoga relating to population, households, and jobs are listed below.

Table 3-5: ABAG Growth & Population Projections, City of Calistoga						
	2015	2020	2025	2030	2035	2040
Population	5,200	5,300	5,400	5,500	5,500	5,600
Households	2,040	2,070	2,090	2,100	2,110	2,130
Total Jobs	2,340	2,450	2,480	2,520	2,590	2,640
(Source: Projections 2013)						

ABAG uses a compound annual growth rate of 0.38% to project future growth for the City during the next five years. The population is expected to remain flat between the years 2030 to 2035. Overall, ABAG predicts a much lower rate of future growth than the City of Calistoga predicts for itself as shown in Table 3-6, below.

Per the General Plan policies and Growth Management System, the City's growth rate may not exceed 1.35% per year. Therefore, the 1.35% rate may be used to project the maximum population growth as shown in Table 3-6, below, which is substantially higher than ABAG's projections:

Table 3-6: Permitted Population Growth						
Year	2015	2020	2025	2030	2035	
Population	5,050	5,400	5,775	6,175	6,603	

Based on completed and anticipated residential construction, the City estimates a related population growth of 110 persons during the 2015-2019 Growth Management Cycle as of May 2016. This would allow 71 additional dwelling units to receive building permits during the cycle in order to comply with the maximum growth rate and a total population of 5,328 (City of Calistoga, personal communication, Goldberg, 2016).

Calistoga has been proactive in adopting polices to control the amount of new growth and development in the City. These efforts include a policy discouraging annexations of unincorporated lands. Calistoga's Growth Management System is an innovative approach in controlling growth and development in the City by creating a market for residential and non-residential allocations. This system helps Calistoga preserve its desired rural character while providing an incentive for applicants to submit quality proposals. 2015 is the first year of the current five-year program cycle (2015 to 2020). A total of 4 allocations for single-family dwellings have been granted to date to house a population of approximately 10 persons. For commercial development, no allocations have been approved to date.

Regional Housing Allocation

In compliance with state law, the California Department of Housing and Community Development identifies the number and affordability level of housing units needed for the San Francisco Bay Area at-large for an eight-year period (in this cycle, from 2014 to 2022). ABAG⁹ distributes these housing needs to local governments in a way that is compatible with the Sustainable Communities Strategy. Once a local government has received its final Regional Housing Need Allocation, it was required to update its Housing Element to describe how its portion of the region's housing need can be accommodated. The housing numbers provided in Table 3-7, below reflect the final allocations adopted for Napa County jurisdictions.

Table 3-7: ABAG Regional Housing Need Allocation							
Affordability:	Very Low	Low	Moderate	Above Moderate	Total		
American Canyon	116	54	58	164	392		
Calistoga	6	2	4	15	27		
Napa	185	106	141	403	835		
St. Helena	8	5	5	13	31		
Yountville	4	2	3	8	17		
Unincorporated	51	30	32	67	180		
Napa Total	370	199	243	670	1,482		
Data Source: ABAG, 2014.							

⁹ ABAG's Regional Housing Need Allocation is described on its website at: http://abag.ca.gov/planning/housingneeds/

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In Table 3-7, above, "Very Low: is up to 50 Percent of Area Median Income, "Low" is between 51 and 80 Percent of Area Median Income, "Moderate" is between 81 and 120 Percent of Area Median Income, and "Above Moderate" is Above 120 Percent of Area Median Income. As shown in Table 3-7 Calistoga is responsible for accommodating a total of 27 new housing units by 2022. More than 50 housing units have been constructed since the beginning of the current RHNA cycle.

Local Policies and Plans

To some extent, population growth in Calistoga is dependent upon land use, general plan designations, and zoning on properties. The last comprehensive Calistoga General Plan was adopted in October 2003 and is designed to address community needs and growth patterns¹⁰. Although most General Plans are based on a life cycle of 15 to 25 years, the City periodically reviews and updates specific elements of its general plan to respond to new circumstances and events. The General Plan contains 11 elements. The most recently updated chapters are the Land Use Element (updated 2015), Community Identity Element (updated 2012), Circulation Element (updated 2014), Housing Element (updated 2014), Public Services Element (updated 2014), and the Public Safety Element (updated 2014). The General Plan also contains elements related to infrastructure, open space and conservation, noise, geothermal resources, and economic development.

3.3 DISADVANTAGED UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES

Senate Bill (SB) 244 (effective in January 2012) requires LAFCO to consider the presence of any Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs) when preparing a MSR that addresses agencies that provide water, wastewater or structural fire protection services. A DUC is an unincorporated geographic area characterized as having a median household income of 80 percent or less of the statewide median household income (MHI). DUCs also must be "inhabited" under LAFCO law, meaning 12 or more registered voters reside within the area. This state legislation is intended to ensure that the needs of these unincorporated communities are met when considering service extensions and/or annexations, in particular, water, wastewater, drainage and structural fire protection services. Since Calistoga is an incorporated city, it does not have any DUC's within its boundaries. It is possible that there are pockets of DUCs located adjacent to, but outside, the City's boundaries and SOI. However, these areas have not been studied sufficiently to classify them as a DUC.

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The City General Plan is available on the City website at: http://www.ci.calistoga.ca.us/city-hall/departments-services/planning-building-department/plans-programs-and-land-use-regulations/calistoga-general-plan/calistoga-general-plan

City Disadvantaged Community Requirements

LAFCO is not required to study the status of disadvantaged neighborhoods that are located within incorporated cities that provide water, wastewater, drainage and structural fire protection services. However, SB 244 required cities to update their land use and housing elements to include an analysis of the water, wastewater, storm water, and structural fire protection services in the area along with financing options to help encourage investment in disadvantaged areas, should it be needed. As part of this effort, the bill required cities to identify and address any disadvantaged communities within their sphere of influence (SOI). Disadvantaged communities are defined as a "fringe communities" or areas within the cities' SOI that meets the state defined income for DUCs, which is a MHI of 80 percent or less than the statewide median. The cities base their analysis on income levels from the U.S. Census, American Community Survey, or other supplemental sources. A disadvantaged community is characterized as having a median household income of 80 percent or less of the statewide median household income. The median household income in California¹¹ is \$61,489 and 80 percent of this equals \$49,191 (U.S. Census, 2016).

Calistoga does appear to contain households which meet the "disadvantaged" status and therefore pertinent available information on income is summarized herein. The 2010 U.S. Census found that the median household income in Calistoga is \$52,131 (US Census, 2014). However, because the census is conducted on a broad geographic scale, it can sometimes miss the subtle nuances that occur at a local level. The City of Calistoga has provided supplemental information about the status of disadvantaged communities within the City. The City's Housing Element states that the poverty rate within Calistoga is 13.6% (Calistoga, 2014). Also, the City of Calistoga requested that the Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) perform an income survey of the City of Calistoga service area. The income survey was conducted in 2015 per State and Federal Multi-Agency Guidelines established for the State Water Resources Control Board's State Revolving Funding programs, and the United States Department of Agriculture - Rural Development. This income survey found that the MHI for City of Calistoga is \$43,366 (RCAC, 2015). The \$43,366 MHI is significantly below the \$49,191 threshold to be classified as "disadvantaged".

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission has mapped the poverty rate for the Calistoga areas as shown below.

¹¹ Median income data from: https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/table/INC110214/06,2412150,00

2013 Poverty Rates -



Data Source: http://www.vitalsigns.mtc.

Based on the supplemental information provided by the City, the community may be classified as "disadvantaged". However, LAFCO's role in this "disadvantaged" status is limited because the City provides satisfactory water, wastewater and structural fire protection services. Additionally, no public health and safety issues have been noted. Since it meets the criteria for a "disadvantaged" community, the City may be eligible for grants to assist with infrastructure improvements and these grants and programs are described in Appendix E.

CHAPTER 4: CITY SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE

This Chapter is organized into four main sections as specified in Table 4-1, below, including: 1) City Services; 2) Infrastructure and Public Facilities; 3) Adequacy and Challenges in Provision of Service and Infrastructure; and 4) Opportunities for Shared Facilities.

Table 4-1: Directory to Chapter 4		
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4.1: CITY SERVICES

Service Overview

Calistoga provides a full range of municipal services either directly or through contracts or joint power authorities with other governmental agencies or private companies. Municipal services provided directly by Calistoga include water, sewer, law enforcement, fire protection and emergency medical, streets, planning, and community recreation. Municipal services provided by Calistoga through contracts or joint-power authorities with other agencies or companies include garbage collection, animal control, specialized engineering services, building inspection and plan check services, and other specialized services as needed.

City estimates for the number of customers served for most of the services is equivalent to the number of people living in the City (i.e., 5,180). However, the definition of a water and sewer customer is different and is based on the number of connections; hence the lower number of "customers" listed in Table 4-2, below.

Table 4-2: Number of Customers for City Services						
Number of	Number of					
Customers in 2010	Customers in 2015					
1524	1674					
1333	1357					
5155	5180					
5155	5180					
5155	5180					
5155	5180					
5155	5180					
5155	5180					
5155	5180					
5155	5180					
5155	5180					
Not available	Not available					
	Number of Customers in 2010 1524 1333 5155 5155 5155 5155 5155 5155 515					

Notes: ¹ Measured by number of utility bill accounts. Data Source: City of Calistoga Utility Billing Department, 2016

4.1.1: Water Services

Water - Overview

Calistoga's Public Works Department is responsible for providing water services in the City and to several unincorporated properties located within the Planning Area of the City General Plan. A total of 1,674 residential, commercial, and agricultural "customers" receive water service. Customers are defined as the number of utility billing accounts and do not take into consideration multiple users on individual accounts. For example there are four accounts for the mobile home parks that provide water to 555 mobile homes.

The major type of user receiving municipal water is residential. Commercial customers are primarily located downtown. Additionally, agricultural land within the City (up to 299 acres) and other agricultural parcels located outside the City boundaries receive municipal water.

The City of Calistoga is located within the Napa River watershed and does receive a significant portion of its water supply from outside its watershed through the State Water Project (SWP) via indirect access to the North Bay Aqueduct. Although Calistoga is not required to have an Urban Water Management Plan, the City does participate in the Bay

Area Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) (Calistoga, 2016). Regulatory requirements related to the provision of municipal water are described in Appendix F.

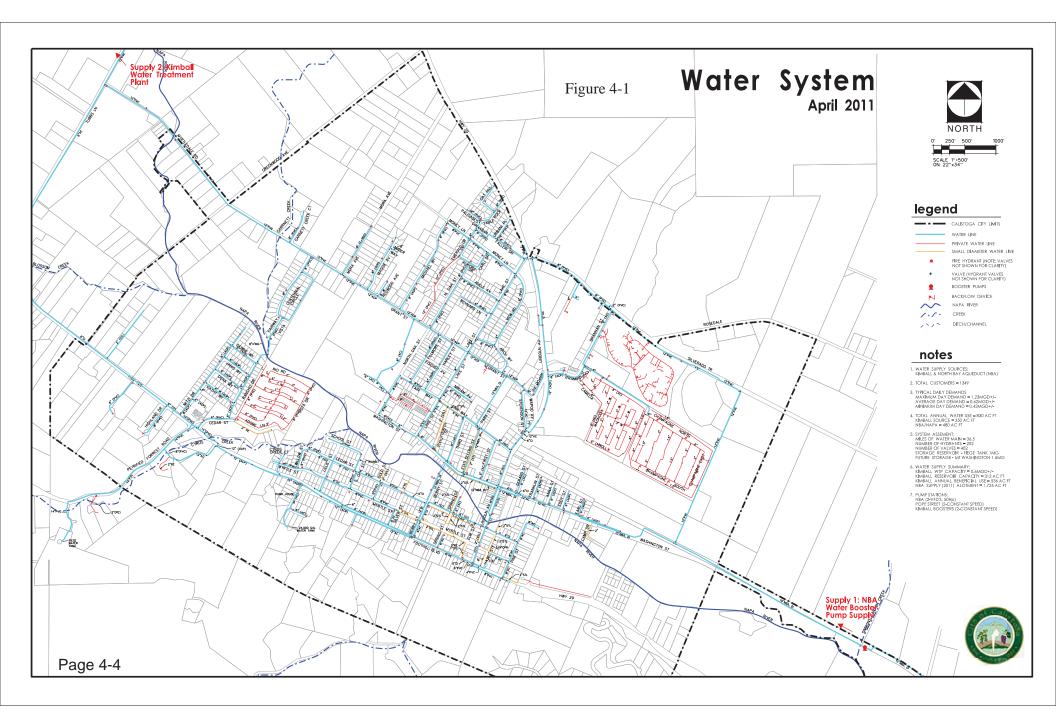
In 2010, the Napa County Grand Jury studied municipal water suppliers within the County and made several recommendations that were relevant to Calistoga (Napa County, 2010). The City Engineer responded to the Grand Jury report and described how Calistoga has addressed each of the recommendations (Calistoga, 2010 and 2011). During the preparation of this MSR, the consultants reviewed both the Grand Jury Report and the City's response and found that there are no remaining issues to be addressed with regard to water facilities and supply.

In 2015, the cost of the City's water service program was \$3.1 million and this represents 24 percent of the City's expenditures (CAFR, 2015). This amount represents an approximate per connection annual expense of \$2,113. This is significantly higher than the per connection expense of \$993 found in the 2008 MSR. The City attributes this increased cost primarily to the construction of the new Mt. Washington Storage Tank, to day-to-day operations and the purchase of water. The increase in contracted services, primarily litigation costs, administration, and the reporting of pension contributions also contributed to the increases in the cost of the water program (CAFR, 2015).

In the audited financial statement, water costs are categorized as a Business-Type activity and are accounted for in an Enterprise Fund. The City charges fees to customers designed to cover the costs of water service. The water funds are reported separately as a major fund. Due to the drought and mandated conservation measures, the City has sold less water to its customers in recent years. The financial impact of reduced water sales for Fiscal Year (FY) 14/15 was 6% less in revenues as compared to FY 13/14; and expenditures were \$100,000 less in FY 14/15 or 2% less than in FY 13/14. Additionally, a conservation program was added to bring awareness to the community and the City provided funds towards this effort. Cash flows in the Water Enterprise Fund were not sufficient to meet debt service principal, interest payments, and debt ratio coverage. Therefore, the general fund supplied contingency funding to address the unanticipated impact of the drought (CAFR, 2015).

Water Facilities

The City's municipal water system includes facilities and infrastructure for the collection, treatment, and distribution of water to its customers.



Collection Facilities

Calistoga obtains water from two sources, the Kimball Reservoir and the State Water Project (SWP). Kimball which is located Reservoir, north of the City, receives diversions from Kimball Creek (a tributary of the upper Napa River) and has an estimated holding capacity of 330 acre-feet with all of the dam's flashboards



installed. This dam does have water bypass requirements to protect downstream aquatic resources and the City provides monthly summaries of bypass flows on its website¹². Water from Kimball Reservoir is treated at the adjacent Kimball Water Treatment Plant. The Reservoir was created through the construction of a dam approximately 100 years ago and has survived several seismic events. The dam is inspected annually by the State Division of Safety of Dams and these inspections are necessary given the risk of an earthquake on a nearby fault.

Water from the SWP is secured through a contract with the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and currently allocates Calistoga an annual entitlement of 1,925 acre-feet. Calistoga contracts with the City of Napa to treat and deliver its SWP entitlement through an interconnection between the two agencies' transmission lines.

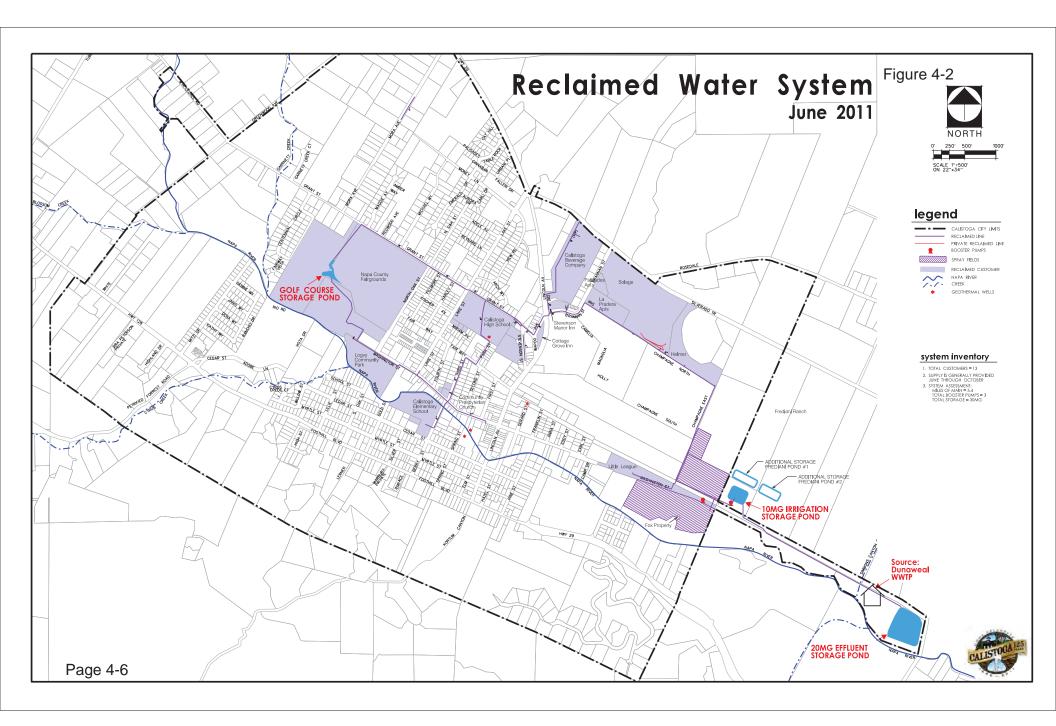
A third source of water is recycled water and within the City boundary, approximately 250 to 300 acre-feet of recycled water are used annually. Recycled water users include the fairgrounds, schools, city lands, resort properties, parks, a multi-family apartment complex, churches, and several hotels as shown in Figure 4-2, below. Calistoga's Public Works Department monitors the recycled water locations to ensure there are no discharge violations or misuse (Napa County, 2010).

Treatment Facilities

Water from Kimball Reservoir is treated at the adjacent Kimball Water Treatment Plant, which has a daily capacity of 2.7 acre-feet. The design capacity of the City's water distribution system is 1.9 mgd (Calistoga, 2016).

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Monthly summaries of the Kimball Reservoir bypass flows available on-line at: http://www.ci.calistoga.ca.us/city-hall/departments-services/public-works-department/water-wastewater-treatment/kimball-dam-water-reservoir/kimball-reservoir-bypass



Through a contract, the City of Napa maintains the treatment facilities for the SWP water supply. The City plans to replace the Dwyer Road Pump Station and this infrastructure improvement will increase the amount of water from the North Bay Aqueduct that can be delivered by approximately 200,000 gpd (Calistoga, 2016).

The City holds a Domestic Water Supply Permit issued by the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water for treatment and delivery of drinking water used for municipal purposes. The water system and plant are inspected annually by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB).

Water Distribution Facilities

Calistoga treats water and distributes it to domestic users, including residential, commercial, lodging, and resort users. Calistoga currently provides water service to 1,674 connections. Of this amount, 82 connections are located outside the city limits. The City maintains 40 miles of water mains, a dam, reservoir, two storage tanks, a water treatment plant, and a pump station.

Current Infrastructure Needs

The City updates the Capital Improvement Plan annually as part of its Annual Budget. The Capital Improvement Program (CIP) serves as a comprehensive plan to identify new construction and rehabilitation projects. The FY 2014-15 CIP Budget funded 36 projects. Of those, eight are related to the City Water System as listed here:

- Polybutylene Service Replacement
- Bypass Structure
- Pump Protection-Kimball
- Replace Water Mains
- Water Valve Replacement
- ■ Cross-Connection Survey
- Feige Tank Replacement
- **■** THM Abatement
- Myrtle St Water Main Replacement

Additional projects have been funded in the City's FY15/16 and FY16/17 budgets.

Water Supply and Demand

Calistoga obtains water from two major sources, the State Water Project (SWP) and the Kimball Reservoir. As shown in Table 4-3, below, the average annual total water supply anticipated by the City is approximately 2,340 acre feet.

Table 4-3: Average Annual Total Water Supply				
Source	Amount			
SWP carry-over	600 acre feet			
SWP for 2016	1,443 acre feet			
Kimball Reservoir	300 acre feet			
Total Up to 2,340 acre feet				
Source: Calistoga, 2016				

The local water supply satisfies approximately 40 percent of annual demand. The remaining water is imported from the State Water Project. Out the 2,340 acre-feet of total water supply, local supplies (i.e. the Kimball Reservoir) accounts for thirteen percent of the total available supply¹³. Water from the Kimball Reservoir is subject to bypass requirements to support fish and other environmental resources in Kimball Creek. Please note that since water allocation from the SWP varies annually, the City actively manages its water supply, including carryover water, to ensure that annual demands are met, including critically dry years. In addition to the fresh water supplies listed in Table 4-3, above, Calistoga participates in water recycling and water conservation and these programs help the City make it through drought conditions. As part of this MSR process, the City prepared an Estimated Water Availability worksheet, presented in Table 4-4, below.

State Water Project

The City purchases water via a contract for water supply from the State Water Project (SWP). The SWP is managed by the CA Department of Water Resources (DWR). Calistoga's maximum entitlement is 1,925 acre-feet per year from the SWP and this includes:

- Original agreement of 500-acre feet through the year 2035
- Water transfer/purchase with American Canyon for 500 acre-feet
- Water transfer/purchase with Kern County for 925 acre-feet

As part of the above agreements, two water right licenses (Licenses 9615 and 9616) have been issued by the State Water Resources Control Board (Calistoga, 2016). SWP water allocations vary annually. Drought, increased statewide water demand, and other Delta issues are raising concerns about reliability for this water source. The average water allocation from the State Water Project for the past ten years has been 53.2%. The term "water year" measures the amount of precipitation that falls in the time period starting on October 1 and ending on September 30. After several years of drought, water year 15/16 seems to be on track for near-average conditions. However, one good season cannot compensate for four prior years of drought. The State has relaxed its water conservation mandates but continues to encourage local agencies to take prudent measures to ensure water supply in the next several vears.

¹³ Calculation where percentage equals 300/2340 and this equates to 0.1282

Table 4.4:	Potential Water Usage and Wastewater Generation
	July 2016

Standby (customers with meter but no use)		30.280	
Paid Allocations and Development Agreements		95.85	
·	50,000	95.65	
Calistoga Hills Development Agreement Silver Rose Development Agreement	50.000 42.040		
Oak Villa Condominiums	2.520		
Brian Arden Winery	1.130		
Lava Vine Winery	.160		
Bottling Works Unused Obligation	,,,,,	85.280	
Calistoga Mineral 70.0 baseline – 3.36 (5-yr. average) Crystal Geyser 23.3 baseline – 4.66 (5-yr. average)		00.200	
Growth Management Allocations (approved projects)	21.282	
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2095 Mora SFD	.593		
1706 Foothill SFD	.593		
3000 W. Money SFD	.593		
3001 W. Money SFD	.593		
3004 W. Money SFD	.593		
3005 W. Money SFD	.593		
Wappo Guest Accommodations	.930		
Calistoga Senior Apartments	11.460		
Boys & Girls Club	3.210		
Francis House B&B	.938		
	Total	232.692	acre-feet/year
Potential Wastewater Generation			04/2/223/2/2
Standby		18.000	
Paid Allocations and Development Agreements		107.250	
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Calistoga Hills Development Agreement	60.000		
Silver Rose Development Agreement	45.650		
Oak Villa Condominiums	1.470		
Brian Arden Winery	1.130		
Bottling Works Unused Obligation		90.240	
Calistoga Mineral 95.0 (baseline) – 4.76 (5-yr. a	verage)		
Growth Management Allocations (approved projects)	13.254	
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Data Source: City of Calistoga, Correspondence to LAFCO 20Oct2016

Physical access to the SWP is provided via the North Bay Aqueduct (NBA). The NBA is a series of underground pipelines, totaling 27.4 miles (44.1 km) in length and The SWP has rights to water originating from serving Napa and Solano counties. the Sacramento River, which it stores in Lake Oroville. The Cordelia Forebay is utilized to pump water to Napa County, Vallejo, and Benicia. Since the NBA is not able to deliver the full 175 cfs flow it was designed and contracted for, DWR and the NBA users are investigating methods to increase its capacity. The proposed North Bay Aqueduct Alternate Intake Project is described on DWR's website at: http://www.water.ca.gov/engineering /Projects/Current/NBA/. Calistoga is expected to pay its fair share for the costs of this project through various agreements. Since Calistoga does not have a direct connection to the NBA of the SWP, it entered into a 1982 agreement with the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and the City of Napa. Napa treats the water from SWP at its Jamison Canyon water treatment plant and sends it through an interconnected pipeline to Calistoga. This pipeline interconnection is sized such that flow is limited to approximately 1.0 million gallons per day (i.e. 1,008 acre-feet per year) (Enchanted Resorts EIR, Calistoga, 2012).

Kimball Reservoir

The Kimball Reservoir is located northeast of Calistoga, in the unincorporated area. Kimball Reservoir and the associated Kimball Canyon Dam were constructed in 1939. The Reservoir operates under Licenses 9615 and 9616 and Permit 20395 with the State Water Board. The dam was raised in 1948 and had an original storage capacity of 409 acre-feet. The current storage capacity of 330 (with all flash boards installed) is less than original design capacity due to the gradual build up of sediment behind the dam. With adoption of the Kimball Interim Bypass Plan (2011), Kimball Reservoir's supply yield is reduced by 41 afy¹⁴, to 295 afy (Calistoga, 2016). The water supply from Kimball Reservoir has been subject to two lawsuits from Grant Reynolds and the O'Gorman Family.

Water Recycling

Through Napa County, Calistoga participates in the North Bay Water Reuse Program and was successful in obtaining \$750,000 in Proposition 84 grant funding to construct a new 16.4 million gallon recycled water storage pond for recycled water produced at the Dunaweal Wastewater Treatment Plant. By re-using recycled water, Calistoga reduces treated effluent discharged to the Napa River and provides a valuable resource as a substitute for potable water for landscape irrigation. Boron concentrations average 3 milligrams per liter which precludes its use for irrigation of vineyards. Recycled water activities are regulated by State Water Resources Control Board Order WQ 2014-0090-DWQ-Corrected, General Waste Discharge Requirements for Recycled Water Use adopted June 3, 2014. This Order is under consideration for amendment and is tentatively scheduled for June 7, 2016, State Water Resources Control Board meeting.

The City has seven wastewater storage ponds (the 20 MG, the 10 MG, the 16.4 MG and the four Riverside Ponds) that hold approximately 48 million gallons of recycled water. The

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¹⁴ Kimball Interim Bypass Plan, Appendix 34

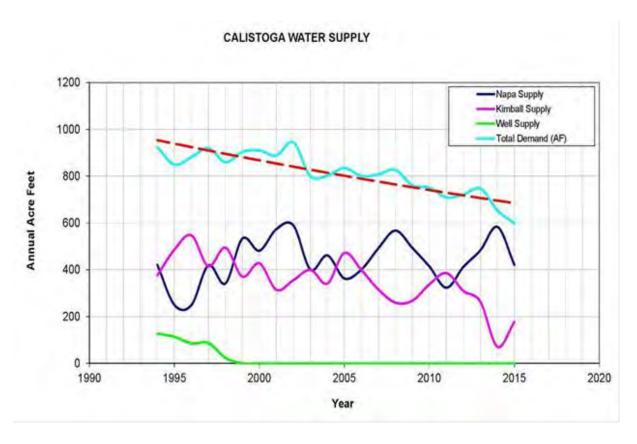
City is seeking grant funds to reconstruct and line the Riverside Ponds as required by the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board to mitigate potential impacts from flooding and to remove them from the designated floodway, address riverside bank erosion and to prevent tertiary treated effluent from seeping into the Napa River during low flow conditions.

Water Conservation

Water conservation can function as a water "source" during droughts. The City of Calistoga, along with most of the State, experienced a multi-year drought from 2012 to 2015. In early 2014 the City Council declared a Stage II Water Emergency and called for mandatory practices for all water users to reduce overall water consumption by 20 percent compared to 2013 usage.

Water Demand

The City provides water to 1,674 connections. Since 1995 the City has seen a reduction in water consumption of approximately 35% from an annual demand of 950 acre feet to slightly over 700 acre feet.



Of the total demand, 82 connections are located outside Calistoga's incorporated boundary.

Table 4-4, above, is the most recent and the most accurate source of information about Calistoga's water supply and water demand. However, since Table 4-4 does not describe water demand based upon water year type (i.e. wet or dry) supplemental information is provided below from two sources of information:

- 2003 Calistoga General Plan, and
- 2050 Napa Valley Water Resources Study.

In 2003, the Calistoga General Plan projected municipal water demand and supply through 2032. These projections are shown in Table 4-5, below and are assumed to be worst case scenario for water demand (current actual demand is significantly less than previously projected). The water demand projection assumes an annual growth rate of 1.5 percent, consistent with the General Plan's assumed 1.35-percent residential growth rate. Development of resorts and commercial areas also create a water demand and the additional demands have been factored into the water availability/demand analysis. As shown in the Table below, the City's 2003 projections indicate deficits in supplies during dry water years.

Table 4-5: City of Calistoga Water Demand and Supply Projections Acre-Feet							
2015 2032							
Scenario	Demand	Supply	Surplus (Deficit)	Demand	Supply	Surplus (Deficit)	
Normal Year	1,191	1,748	557	1,517	2,379	862	
Below Normal Year (90 percent)	1,072	1,078	6	1,365	1,385	20	
Dry Year (99 percent)	899	286	(613)	1,144	343	(801)	

A second source of information is the 2050 Napa Valley Water Resources Study, written in 2005 as a series of technical memos from West Yost Consultants. The study was funded and prepared cooperatively with the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District along with the cities of American Canyon, Calistoga, Napa, St. Helena, Town of Yountville, Napa County, and the Napa Sanitation District. http://www.napawatersheds.org/app_pages/view/4282. This study provides water use and demand projections for Calistoga as shown in Table 4-6, below.

Table 4-6. Summary of Water Supply Findings						
	Excess Supply (Shortfall), afy					
	2005 2020 2050					
Normal Year	490	115	(160)			
Multiple Dry Year*	243 74 (159)					
Single Dry Year	(304)	(547)	(781)			

Source: NCFCWCD et. al., 2005

The above tables show that Calistoga risks water shortfalls for single dry years under 2020 and 2050 demands and for normal and multiple dry years under 2050 demands. This study also found that Calistoga could require extreme demand reduction measures due to significant dependence on SWP water (NCFCWCD et. al., 2005). In addition to its current water demand, the City has two outstanding will serve letters for new resort projects that have a reservation for water and sewer service which has been factored into the available capacities of the respective operations (Calistoga, 2016). Overall, the City indicates that the risk of water shortfall is low, as described in Table 4.4, above.

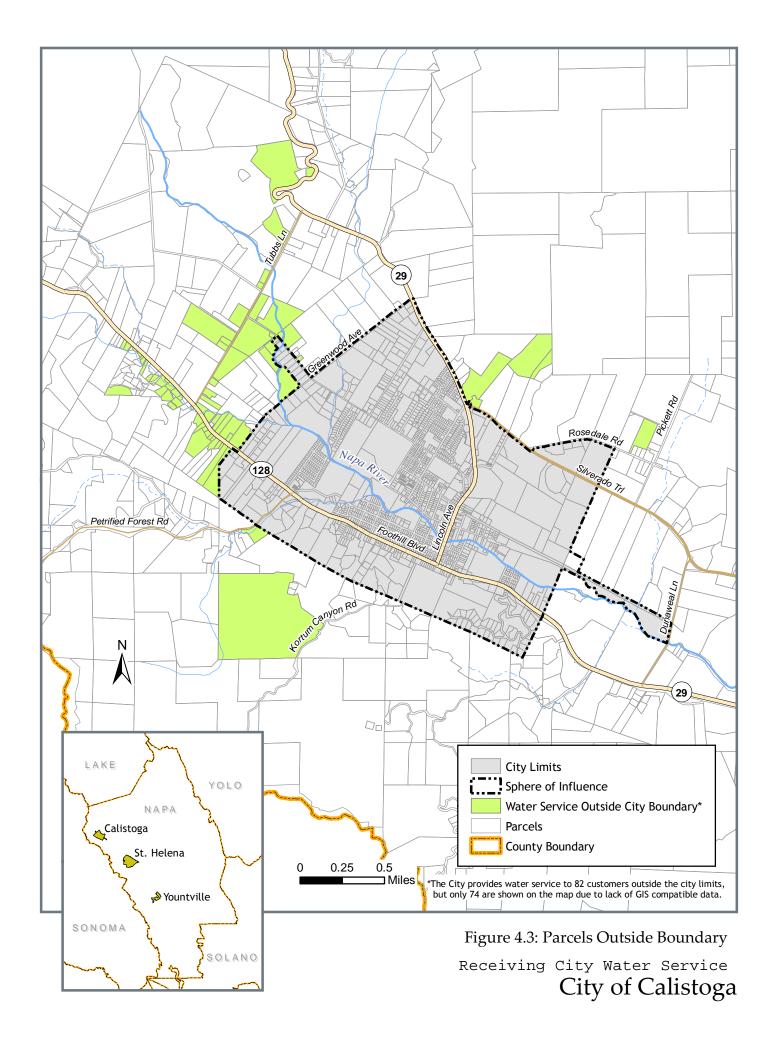
As shown on Figure 4-3, below, a small (35-acre feet) part of the City's water demand can be attributed to the 82 metered connections located outside Calistoga's incorporated boundary. Calistoga Municipal Code § 13.16.040. C. prohibits property located outside of Calistoga's City limits to connect to the City's water or wastewater treatment that would increase consumption of municipal water or wastewater treatment capacity. If this municipal code ever changes, then the City would be encouraged to coordinate with LAFCO to ensure consistency with provisions of California Government Code § 56133, including AB 402.

The City recently submitted a report to the Division of Drinking Water, State Water Resources Control Board outlining the City's water supply/availability. The state reviewed the report and found that "The Water Availability Report does meet the requirements of the required Source Capacity Planning Study and will be used to fulfill this requirement." ¹⁵

Given the City's reliance on the SWP and potential future shortfalls in water supply during dry or extremely dry water years, it is recommended that the City of Calistoga prepare a brief (3-page), but holistic study of alternative water supply sources and projects, prepared by a hydrologist. This study could be conducted collaboratively with other

^{*} The NCFCWCD report prepared by West Yost Associates (in Technical Memorandum # 4) uses definitions from California Dept. of Water Resources such that a single dry-year delivery would be 20 percent of the water entitlement. Deliveries during a multiple dry year (4 or 6-year droughts) would be 40 percent of entitlement.

¹⁵ March 24, 2016 email to City of Calistoga from Karen Stufkosky, E.I.T. Water Resources Control Engineer, Division of Drinking Water, State Water Resources Control Board



municipalities in Napa County. Calistoga should submit this study to LAFCO prior to the next MSR/SOI in the year 2021. Future water supply sources/projects to be included in the study may include: 1) desalinization, 2) expanding its recycled water program, 3) constructing wells with wellhead treatment down valley, 4) banking water from the SWP, and/or 5) increased water use efficiency. This recommended study should also be consistent with Calistoga's General Plan policy which states "Policy P1: The City shall base water capacity and supply plans and projections on the "below normal year" but will also look for ways to decrease the impacts of a 'dry year'".

4.1.2: Wastewater (Sewer) Service

Calistoga's Public Works Department is responsible for providing sewer services in the City. Calistoga's sewer system collects and provides tertiary treatment of wastewater before it is discharged into the Napa River during the wet season (October 1st through May 15th) as permitted under Order No. R2-2016-0018 issued by the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board, distributed for recycled water use, or conveyed into storage ponds. Calistoga's sewer treatment plant has a permitted dry-weather capacity of 0.84 million gallons per day (mgd), or 2.6 acre-feet. The City of Calistoga currently provides sewer service to approximately 1,357 connections. Customers are defined as the number of utility billing accounts and do not take into consideration multiple users on individual accounts. For example there are four accounts for the mobile home parks that provide water to 555 mobile homes. Approximately 84% of Calistoga's sewer connections are for residential uses.

Funding for City sewer service is provided through fees the City charges to customers to cover the cost of services. The City's water and wastewater enterprises are both classified as Business-Type activities in the annual financial statement. Wastewater is reported as a separate enterprise fund. In FY 14/15, Calistoga's budgeted operating cost for its sewer enterprise was \$2.6 million (CAFR, 2015). This amount represents an approximate per connection expense of \$160/month. Charges for sewer service were slightly less (\$2.4 million) than the costs.

All sewer connections are located within the City boundaries. There are no out-of-agency boundary sewer services provided. Primary services provided by the City for the wastewater system are collection, treatment, disposal, and maintenance.

Collection System

The City maintains 18 miles of sewer mains that collect sewage from homes and businesses and conveys it to the Dunaweal Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). Much of the City's sewer lines were built many decades ago, however for the most part they are functioning adequately. A recent project completed was the replacement of the sewer trunk main from Anna Street to the WWTP and the primary sewer pump station at Pine Street. Private lateral lines connect a house to the City's main line, typically located within a street right-of-way. The City's wastewater collection system serves approximately 50 percent of the

geographic area within the City limits. The remaining undeveloped portions of the City and the adjacent unincorporated area utilize private individual septic systems to dispose of their wastewater. The City's Municipal Code requires all structures with plumbing which are on properties within two hundred feet of a sewer main to connect to the public system and this code requirement is implemented as new development or substantial remodeling occurs (Calistoga, 2016). The City's collection system includes 18 miles of sewer lines, 330 manholes, and 4 lift stations.

The City's wastewater collection facilities face challenges including:

- Age of infrastructure;
- Type of material used (clay pipe) Pipe capacity
- Spas and resorts use mud and geothermal resources, which introduce sediment, minerals, and temperature issues into the wastewater stream;
- Grease and oil from restaurants (New or expanded restaurants are required to install grease traps or interceptors per the Calistoga Municipal Code) and
- Infiltration/inflow (I&I)

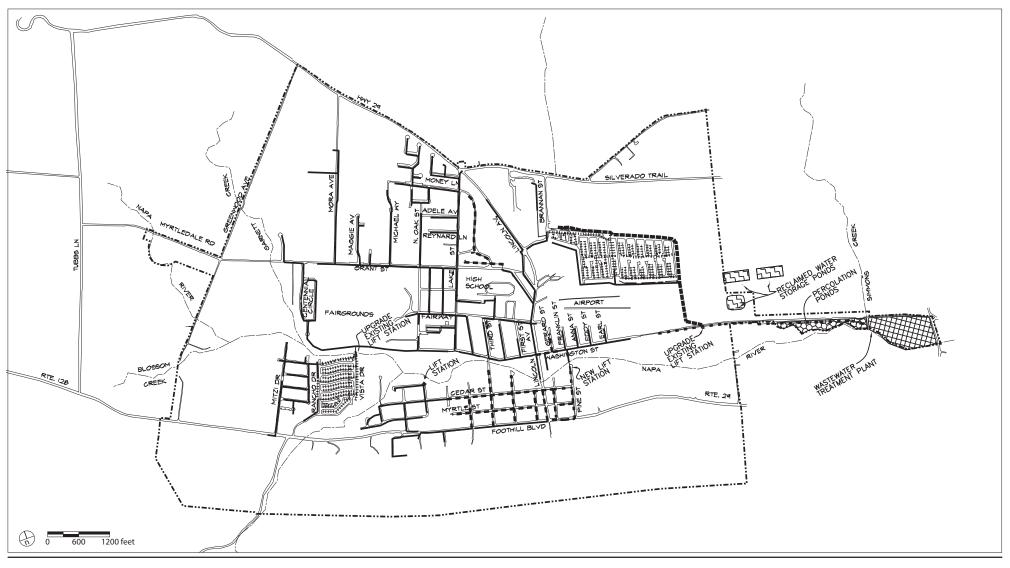
The City continues to work to address these challenges. One method the City uses is a request that private pretreatment facilities retain wastewater for an interval of time to permit solids to settle and to allow oil and grease to separate (Calistoga 2003). The City is also working with the resorts to reduce the amount of geothermal water discharged into the collection system.

New connections to the wastewater collection system are allowed as outlined in the Growth Management Allocation process (Calistoga, 2016). The City has issued several will serve letters for new development that will ultimately connect to the system.

The City has no plans to provide wastewater service outside its current boundary.

Treatment System

The collection system brings sewage to the City's WWTP, which provides tertiary-level treatment of wastewater. The WWTP is located on Dunaweal Lane just south of the main part of the City. The WWTP operates under NPDES Permit No. CA0037966 approved on April 13, 2016 by the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Board. The 2016 NPDES Permit contains discharge prohibitions similar to the previous 2010 Permit, and identical limits on chlorodibromomethane, dichlorobromomethane, and antimony. The WWTP has a permitted dry-weather capacity of 0.84 million gallons per day (mgd), or 2.6 acre-feet. Calistoga's current average dry-weather sewer flow is approximately 0.47 mgd, or 1.7 acre-feet (Calistoga, 2016).



----- City Limits Existing Line No Change Existing Line Needing Replacement for Current Conditions ***************** Existing Line Needing Replacement for Future Conditions

New Line Needed for Future Conditions Percoloation Pond

Effluent Storage Ponds

Wastewater Treatment Plant

Map provided by the City of Calistoga

Figure 4-4

CITY OF CALISTOGA 2003 GENERAL PLAN

SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM

The WWTP is an activated sludge tertiary treatment plant. The treatment processes consist of the following:

- primary treatment by coarse bar screening at the headworks structure;
- **secondary** treatment by aeration and clarification;
- tertiary treatment by coagulation, filtration and disinfection;
- ≡ Effluent disposal either by beneficial reuse for irrigation or discharge to the Napa River.

After tertiary treatment, effluent may be discharged to the Napa River from November 1 through June 15th (as per NPDES Permit No. CA0037966, Order R2-2016-0018). During the remainder of the year, effluent is distributed for recycled water use or stored for future use in effluent storage ponds.

Like any WWTP Bio-solids are generated as part of the treatment process. Some anaerobic digestion occurs to reduce the amount sludge produced and to improve the final quality of the bio-solids to secondary sludge. Sludge is dewatered on drying beds and delivered to an approved solid waste facility, used as soil amendment (under approved permits) or processed to a Class A compost (Calistoga, 2016).

The Dunaweal WWTP has several major components including a Headworks Structure; Aeration Basins and Secondary Clarifiers; Filters; Effluent Chlorine Contact Basins; and Effluent Storage Pond. Each of these components is described in more detail on the City's website at: http://www.ci.calistoga.ca.us/city-hall/departments-services/public-works-department/water-wastewater-treatment/dunaweal-wastewater-treatment-plant

The City's WWTP measures daily sewer. The design capacity and flow estimates are described in Table 4-7, below. The wastewater treatment plant is regulated through State laws via the San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board.

Table 4-7: Water Treatment Plant Design Capacity	mgd
Permitted Daily Dry-Weather Flow Capacity	0.84 mgd
Average Daily Dry-Weather Flow Demand	0.47 mgd
Peak flow within the past year	3.8 mgd
Average Daily Flow Demand (Dry and Wet)	0.90 mgd
Capacity reserved or committed for planned or proposed	232 acre-feet
development	
Source: NPDES Permit No. CA0037966, Order R2-2016-0018 and City of Calistoga, 2016.	

The treatment plant can treat up to 4.0 mgd during wet weather. The discharge flow rate from the WWTP during the 2006 and 2009 discharge seasons was 1.35 mgd. As shown in Table 4-7, above, the average daily wastewater flows within Calistoga's sewer system is very different between dry-weather and wet-weather periods. These differences suggest improvements are needed to the collection system to address suspected deficiencies involving excessive storm and groundwater intrusion. Although the City has made

improvements over the past several years, additional improvements are still needed. The recent replacement of the sewer trunk main and Pipe Street Lift Station has already shown reduced flows to the WWTP. The City will conduct smoke testing in the summer of 2016 to identify areas where I&I may be occurring.

Effluent Disposal

After secondary or tertiary treatment, effluent may be discharged directly to the Napa River from November 1 through June 15. During the remaining months, effluent is treated to tertiary standards and either beneficially reused for irrigation or stored in ponds for later irrigation or discharge to the river. A large (16 million gallon) reclaimed storage pond was recently completed (Calistoga, 2016).

The Regional Water Quality Control Board may issue a Cease and Desist Order in order to address chronic permit exceedances. In 2010, the Board issued Cease and Desist Order No. R2-2010-0107, which established tasks and a time schedule for the City to comply with the chlorodibromomethane and dichlorobromomethane (disinfection byproducts) effluent limits in the 2010 Permit by August 31, 2014. On April 13, 2016, the Regional Water Board adopted an amended Cease and Desist Order No. R2-2016-0019 which requires the City to comply with disinfection byproduct limits, antimony and boron effluent limits and to address seepage from the riverside ponds. The City recently paid \$6,000 in mandatory minimum penalties for some permit exceedances (RWQCB, 2016).

As required by its NPDES permit, the City must undertake pollution prevention activities to reduce certain constituents in its final effluent prior to discharge to the River. Pollutants of concern are identified by the City and the Regional Water Board and include those constituents that could cause or contribute to an exceedance of water quality objectives in the Napa River. Current pollutants of concern are mercury, boron, antimony, cyanide, chlorodibromomethane, dichlorobromomethane, ammonia, copper, oil and grease, and PCBs. Annual Pollution Prevention Reports are required to be submitted to the Regional Water Board.

Discharge permits are reviewed every five years by the RWQCB. The City will be expected to meet future effluent limitations and take the steps necessary for any plant upgrades

required to achieve compliance.

WasteWater

Treatment Plant

Demand

WWTP demand and capacity can be influenced by new



development occurring within the City. Other factors that impact supply in the City are prolonged drought and stormwater intrusion.

<u>Current Infrastructure Needs</u>

Recent improvements to the wastewater system include:

- Added low-energy aerators to Riverside Pond 2 for a total of two; the aerators help to remove reduce chlorodibromomethane and dichlorobromomethane concentrations.
- Modified treatment operations to reduce chlorination during wastewater treatment to minimize formation of disinfection byproducts.
- Plumbed the 20-million-gallon tertiary effluent storage pond to allow recirculation and aeration (by spraying recirculated effluent back into the pond).
- Construction of a new 16.4 MG effluent storage pond.
- Replacement of a new larger sewer trunk main from town to the WWTP.
- Replacement of the Pine Street Lift Station.
- New effluent filter feed and effluent disposal pumps
- Installation of geothermal water meters at several spa resorts

Other projects include installation of geothermal water meters at several spa resorts, smoke testing of the sewer collection system, reconstruction of the Riverside Ponds, and compliance with the COD issued by the Regional Water Quality Control Board.

The City updates a Capital Improvement Plan annually as part of its Annual Budget. The Capital Improvement Program (CIP) serves as a comprehensive plan to identify new construction and rehabilitation projects. The FY 2016-17 CIP Budget included several wastewater related listed here:

- Pine Street Lift Station
- Sewer Lateral Replacement
- Inflow Infiltration Improvements
- Geothermal Water Meters per COO
- Riverside Pond Restoration
- WWTP Upgrades for COO Compliance
- Sewer System Assessment and Master Plan projects

In the future, City staff will need to continue to refine the operation of the wastewater treatment plant to meet permit requirements and to address continued growth in the community (associated with housing development and visitor accommodations). A Sewer Master Plan was developed by the City in 2011 and the City intends to update this Plan in 2016/17. As part of the annual Resource Management review the City has verified there is adequate capacity in its wastewater system to serve existing and future customers.

The City of Calistoga General Plan 2003 contains a number of actions regarding wastewater treatment. LAFCO recommends that the City continue to implement these actions. An expanded review of Calistoga's sewer services was prepared as of LAFCO's part Comprehensive Study of Sanitation and Wastewater Treatment Providers (2005). study is available at the LAFCO office or website: http://napa.LAFCO.ca.g ov.

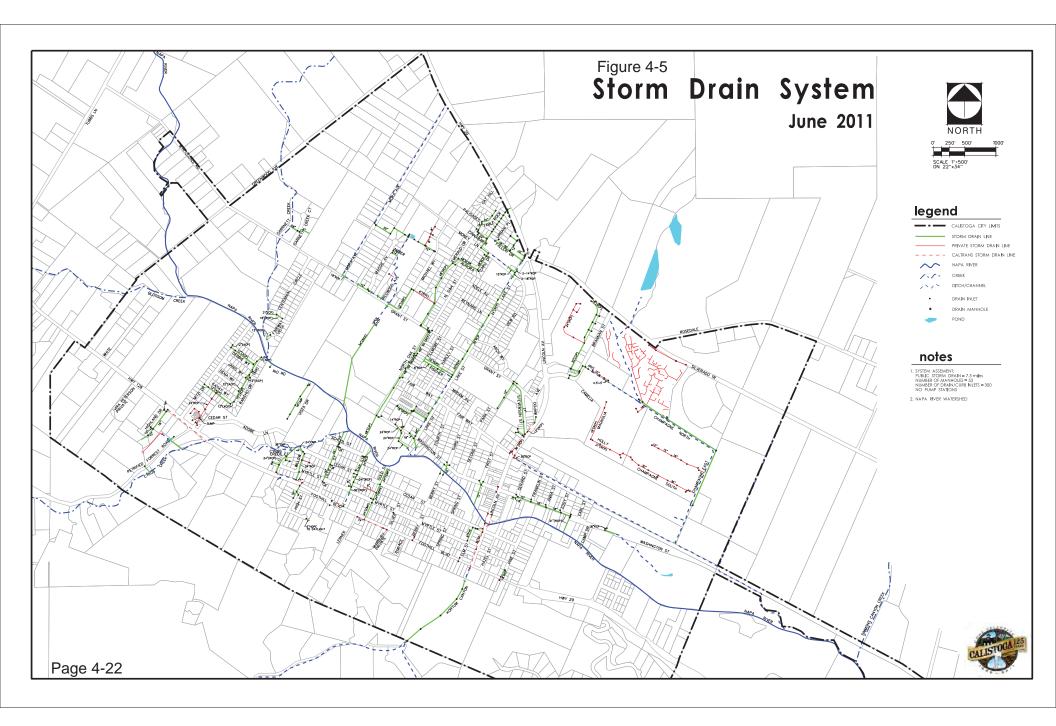


4.1.3: Storm Drainage

All precipitation and other water going into the City storm drains eventually runs to the Napa River then onward to the San Pablo Bay. The City has in place several types of storm drainage infrastructure including City-maintained storm drain lines, privately-maintained storm drain lines, and a Caltrans storm drain line. Additionally, natural drainage features include the Napa River, Cyrus Creek, Blossom Creek and Garnett Creek. There are also several ponds, ditches and channels. The City Public Works Department maintains drain inlets and drain manholes as shown in Figure 4-5, below. Many of the storm drainage structures are located within sidewalks or other public rights-of-way.

Maintenance by City staff includes actively watching for all types of potential hazards, storm drain blockages, and any other unforeseen safety problems. The City has an inspection program to routinely inspect and maintain storm water inlets and outfalls for debris and obstructions, sand and gravel build-up, structural damage, and vandalism.

Unlawful discharge into any storm drain is a violation of county, state and federal law. The City of Calistoga has adopted CMC Ordinance 707 a State regulated program, known as the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP). Calistoga has adopted the Bay Area Stormwater Management Agencies Association (BASMAA) Post-Construction Manual for Design Guidance for Stormwater Treatment and Control for Projects. Also an information flyer for Erosion and Sediment Control Measures for construction projects is available on the City's website.



4.1.4 Law Enforcement Services

In June 2012, LAFCO approved the Municipal Service Review: Countywide Law Enforcement Services which covered law enforcement within the City of Calistoga. The City's law enforcement situation remains similar to that described in the 2012 MSR and readers are referred to that document for the details. This section provides an overview of existing police facilities and services, and provisions for future growth and systems improvements. The Calistoga Police Department (CPD) is responsible for providing law enforcement services within the 2.6 sq. mi. area of the City. Specific services that CPD provides include: dispatch, patrols, investigations, parking enforcement, animal control, search and rescue, canine deployment, drug enforcement, and short term holding of suspects (Napa LAFCO, 2012). CPD also responds to incidents in surrounding unincorporated areas based on separate mutual aid agreements with the California Highway Patrol and County of Napa.

CPD's Policy Manual provides a mission statement, as follows:

- To provide a high level of service to the community;
- To safeguard lives and property
- To defend the constitutional rights of all people, and
- To help create and preserve a safe and secure environment.

Furthermore, the people of the CPD assure the accomplishment of the foregoing statement and ensure the success of the organization by adhering to the following values:

- Displaying Competence by maintaining a high standard of excellence in the performance of all tasks.
- Looking to the Future by constantly planning for the future needs of the community and the organization.
- Meeting Community Needs by serving identified needs and by providing services for a safe and secure community.
- Providing Support- as professionals, we provide the necessary resources toward the betterment of our personal and professional lives.
- Fostering Team Effort- each member's contribution is worthwhile and necessary to the continued success of the department.

LAFCO's 2012 Law Enforcement MSR noted that "Calistoga and St. Helena both provide their own animal control services within their respective jurisdictions. Given their geographic locations, it would seem appropriate for the two agencies to consider merging their animal control services and/or contracting with the County Sheriff as a cost-savings and streamlining measure" (LAFCO, 2012). Calistoga has recently contracted with Petaluma Animal Services Foundation located in Sonoma County to provide animal control services.

The County of Napa's Department of Corrections provides long-term holding of suspects. The Napa County Sheriff's Dept. provides bomb squad and special weapons/tactics expertise.

CPD operates out of a central police station located at 1235 Washington St., Calistoga, CA. It is approximately 3027 square feet in size. The Calistoga Police Department operates on a 12-hour shift schedule.

Police Staffing

The Police Department is authorized 16.0 full time equivalent positions. There are currently 14 staff personnel; however one of these positions is part-time, as shown in Table 4-8, below. In total, this calculates to 13.0 full-time equivalent (FTE) staff positions which include eight sworn officers, plus support personnel of one Dispatch/Records Supervisor, three dispatchers, a community service officer, and one part-time parking enforcement officer. There are currently four vacant positions - one Lieutenant and three Police Officers. Over the years the level of staffing has remained fairly steady, with slight variation from a high of 18.39 staff in the year 2009 to a low of 14.5 staff in 2014. The existing eight sworn officers provide Calistoga with a relatively high ratio of sworn officers for every 1,000 residents. The current average response time is less than five minutes from dispatch to arrival, depending on priority and in progress calls for service.

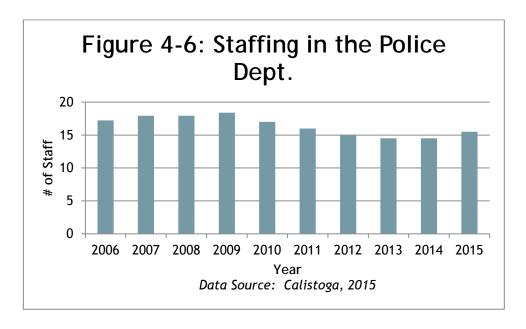
Table 4-8: Police Service Staffing	
Staff	Career/Paid
Police Chief	1 FTE
Sergeant	2 FTE
Police Officer	5 FTE
Dispatch/Records Supervisor	1 FTE
Dispatcher	3 FTE
Code Enforcement Officer	1 FTE
Parking Enforcement	1 PTE
Data Source: Calistoga, 2016	

<u>Dispatch</u>: There is one Dispatcher on duty per twelve hour shift. The Dispatch Supervisor is also assigned a shift. The dispatch system is set up to receive non-emergency business calls (four lines), emergency 911 calls (two lines), and Public Works alarm calls (2 lines). Information obtained by dispatch is relayed to officers for officer safety and documented via CAD by the City's RIMS system (Calistoga, 2016).

LAFCO's 2012 Law Enforcement MSR noted that "Calistoga and St. Helena should consider the merits of establishing a joint dispatch system for law enforcement for their respective jurisdictions. This type of joint arrangement, as evident in other parts of the county, would enhance communication and delivery of emergency response services for a

relatively confined area that shares similar social and economic communities of interest" (LAFCO, 2012). This recommendation remains relevant to the City of Calistoga.

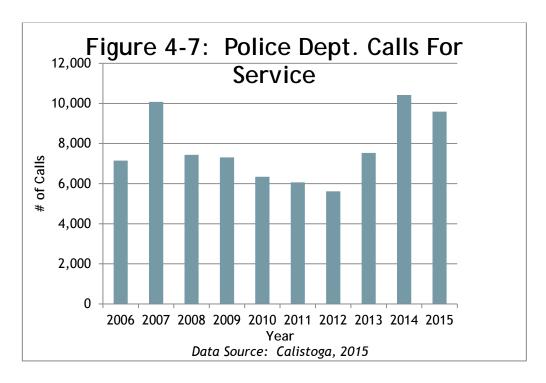
<u>Vehicles</u>: The Department maintains several vehicles and other equipment including three Ford Explorer SUV's (Patrol Vehicles), one Ford Taurus (Patrol Vehicle), one Dodge - Charger (used for administrative purposes), and one electric UTV (used for code enforcement, parades, marathons and other road closures) (Calistoga, 2016). One 'radar trailer' is utilized on selected streets to emphasize posted speed limits. The Department has a total of six vehicles, four of which are used for patrol. Each is equipped with multi-frequency radio and video. During years 2008 to 2009, the Department had eight vehicles (Calistoga, 2015); however, with the economic downturn and associated smaller city budgets, police vehicles have not been replaced at their former level. LAFCO's 2012 Law Enforcement MSR noted that: "Measuring motor vehicle capacity relative to minimum law enforcement needs of having at least one vehicle for every two sworn officers is a reasonable tool in assessing resource adequacy for each agency. This measurement is particularly relevant to cities given their predominant focus on patrol. Towards this end, all five cities in Napa County adequately meet their respective calculated minimum standards for motor vehicle capacity for law enforcement services" (LAFCO, 2012).



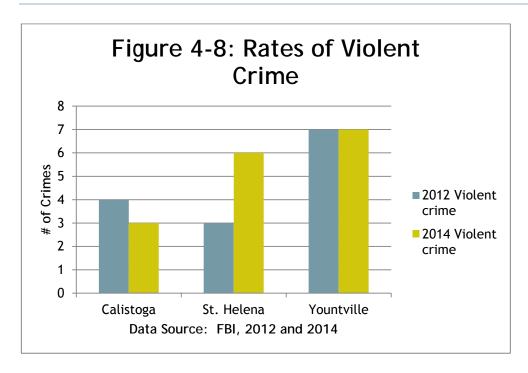
Crime Statistics

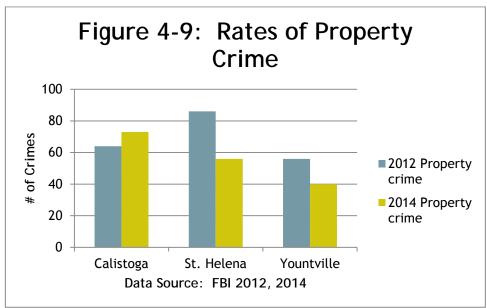
CPD shares alerts, crime statistics, and police logs on its website at: http://www.ci.calistoga.ca.us/city-hall/departments-services/police-department/press-releases. However, its crime statistics have not been updated since 2009. Basic police activity statistics are provided in the City's Annual Financial Statement and this information shows that on average, the CPD receives 7,753 calls on an annual basis. In 2015, the number of calls received was above average at 9,592 calls as shown in Figure 4-7, below. This calculates to 1,845 calls per 1,000 residents. LAFCO's 2012 Law Enforcement MSR noted that Calistoga averaged exceedingly high annual service calls over the five reported years (2007 - 2012) relative to its population at 1,364 for every 1,000 residents.

Since then, the number of calls per 1,000 residents has increased by 481 calls and this is a problematic trend. In 2015, the Department made 233 physical arrests and issued 314 traffic violations (Calistoga, 2015). It is recommended that the Police Department website be updated to provide a link to its recent crime statistics either at the FBI or to the CAFR. It is also recommended that prior to the next MSR (expected in 2021), the Police Department provide a brief (1-page) study to LAFCO that explains why the City experiences exceedingly high annual service calls.



The City also reports crime statistics to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to be included in the Uniform Crime Reports. A slight decrease in violent crime was experienced in the City from 2012 to 2014 as shown in Figure 4-8, below. In 2014, Calistoga experienced three violent crimes, which was less than that experienced by the cities of St. Helena and Yountville.





In 2014, there were 73 reported property crimes in Calistoga reported to the FBI which represents an increase compared to that reported in 2012, as shown in Figure 4-9, above. The 73 reported property crimes in Calistoga is also more than that reported in St. Helena (56) and Yountville (40) during the same year. Property crimes include burglary, larceny, theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. The 76 total reported crimes in 2014 represents 14.4 crimes per thousand persons on an annual basis which is significantly lower than the statewide average of 287 crimes per 1,000 persons (CA DOJ, 2014).

Complaints Regarding Police

The Calistoga Police Department has a formal complaint process as outlined in the City Personnel Manuel and CPD's Lexipol Policies.

Police Funding

The Calistoga Police Department is funded primarily by the City's General Fund; however donations and grants also contribute a small amount. A police special revenue one-time impact fund had a balance of \$1,735 for FY14/15 (Calistoga, 2015). For the past several years, the City has received a \$100,000 grant from the State of California Citizen's Option for Public Safety (COPS) program. For FY 15/16, the City intends to allocate these grant funds towards the Juvenile Diversion Program, salary of Community Service Officer, maintenance of a Livescan fingerprint system, and purchase of a new Ford Explorer Patrol SUV. In FY 14/15, CPD expended \$1.7 million for police services plus half-million for police dispatch, and the resulting expenditures totaled \$2,239,981. This amount accounts for 27% of Calistoga's total operating budget for the fiscal year and represents a per capita expense of \$426. This is an increase in the per capita expense as compared to that in LAFCO's 2012 Law Enforcement MSR which found that the average law enforcement expenses in Napa County on a per capita basis was \$372 (LAFCO, 2012). The Police Department has a total of \$1,953,599 in fixed capital assets which includes the land under the police station plus the station building, other improvements, and police equipment.

LAFCO's 2012 Law Enforcement MSR noted that the City has its own competitive procurement processes with respect to purchasing motor vehicles for law enforcement services. It would seem reasonable and more efficient for Calistoga to consider pooling its respective resources and establish a joint procurement process with other local agencies such as American Canyon, Calistoga, Napa, St. Helena, and County Sheriff. Their combined buying power would presumably produce cost-savings (LAFCO, 2012). This recommendation remains relevant to the City of Calistoga.

LAFCO's 2012 Law Enforcement MSR noted that "It would seem appropriate for Calistoga and St. Helena, given the costs and related challenges associated with sustaining relatively small stand-alone departments, to consider structural alternatives in providing law enforcement services. This includes - based on a cursory review of potential alternatives - the two affected local agencies exploring the feasibilities of forming a joint-powers authority with one another and/or one or both agencies contracting with County Sheriff." This recommendation remains relevant to the City of Calistoga.

Mutual Aid -Police Protection

Although the Calistoga Police Department is not directly responsible for responding to incidents in the surrounding unincorporated area, they sometimes are the first responder to arrive on scene. Separate mutual aid agreements with the California Highway Patrol and County of Napa Sheriff detail the responsibilities. 911 calls from land-lines originating outside the city limits are routed to the Napa County Sheriff's Department. 911 calls from cell phones are routed to the California Highway Patrol (CHP) Golden Gate office. The CHP monitors and generally handles traffic related issues along state highways. Napa County

Sheriff's Department is available to provide assistance to the City of Calistoga Police Department, upon request. For example, Napa County Sheriff's office can provide SWAT support, staff training, backfill staffing, under-cover operations, and investigation assistance. The Napa Special Investigations Bureau conducts narcotic investigations within the City. The Coroner's Office and the Civil Process Bureau also provide services to City residents. The County Animal Services Office may sometimes respond to bite calls in the City, to prevent the spread of rabies. The City of Calistoga participates on the Napa County Major Crimes Investigation Team. Arrangements regarding the provision of emergency services are outlined in the Napa Operational Area Agreement between cities of Napa, American Canyon, Yountville, St Helena, Calistoga, and special districts. Agreement defines the roles and responsibilities of each party. The Napa County Department of Corrections operates the County iail 16.

4.1.5 Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services

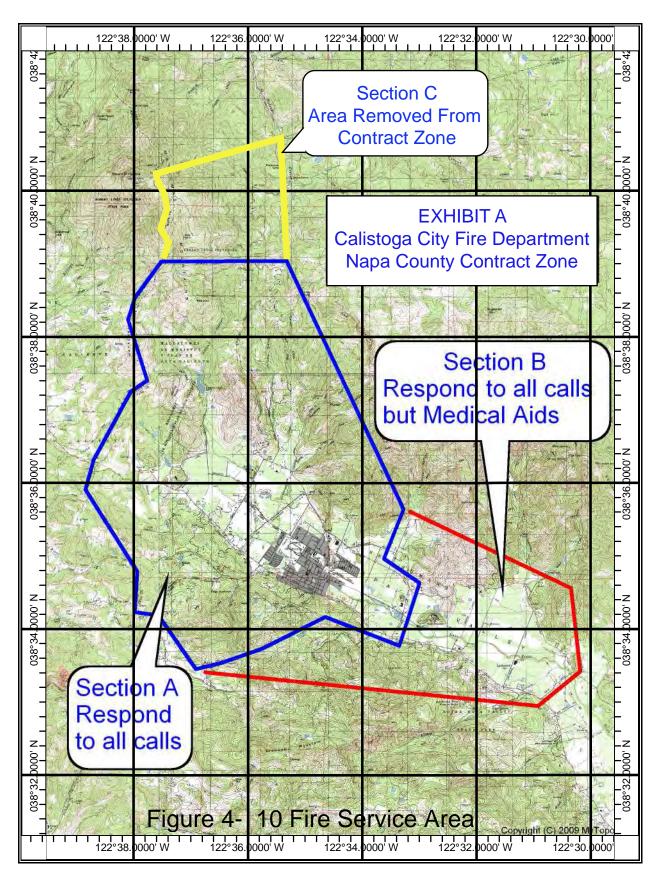
The City Fire Department primarily aims to serve residents of the City of Calistoga by protecting lives, property and environment from medical emergencies, hazardous materials incidents, fires and other disasters. For example, the retirement age population residing in the three mobile home parks within the City boundaries depend largely on the Calistoga Fire Department for emergency medical services. Additionally, the Department also has agreements to automatically respond to emergencies in both unincorporated Napa and Sonoma Counties. During a typical year, the Department responds to approximately 1,000 emergencies within a 96-square mile service area¹⁷. Specifically, in the unincorporated area of Napa County near the City, the Calistoga Fire Department provides emergency medical, rescue, and fire suppression and protection services to a zone that is defined by contract¹⁸, as shown in Figure 4-10, below. Services to unincorporated Sonoma County, to the north, are provided via a three-way automatic aid agreement with the County of Sonoma and the Knights Valley Volunteer Fire Company. However, mutual aid is not often requested and calls ranged between three and thirty calls per year during the 2011 - 2014 timeframe (Sonoma LAFCO, 2014). Fire protection is particularly important because the unincorporated area surrounding Calistoga is within the Urban Wildland Interface, a geographic area that CalFire defines as a "Fire Hazard Severity Zone" in accordance with the Public Resources Code and the Government Code. Please see Figure 4-11 (next page).

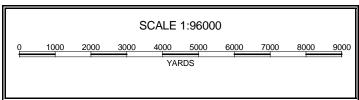
¹⁶ Information on Mutual Aid provided by Sheriff's Year End Report for 2011 available on-line at:

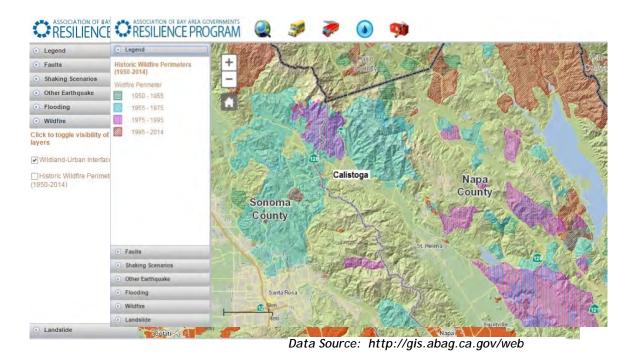
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¹⁷ Per Fire Dept. website at: http://www.ci.calistoga.ca.us/city-hall/departments-services/fire-department

¹⁸ Agreement for Emergency Medical, Fire Protection and Related Services is Napa County Agreement No. 6379 and City of 0092. Calistoga Agreement No. See also 6/23/2015 **Board** Agenda Letter http://services.countyofnapa.org/AgendaNetDocs/Agendas/BOS/6-23-2015/6D.pdf.







The Howell Mountain and Mayacamas Mountain ridges surrounding the valley have historically burned as shown in Figure 4-11.

The Calistoga Fire Department is the primary service provider for the following fire-related services: Structural Fire Protection, Emergency Medical Response, Water Supply, and Fire Safety Education. The remaining services are provided collaboratively with other local agencies, state agencies, or private entities. Wildland Fire Protection is a joint effort Calistoga Fire Napa the Department, County Fire, Rescue/Extrication, Hazardous Materials cleanup, and Fire Prevention are joint efforts between the Calistoga Fire Department and Napa County Fire. Ambulance ground transport is conducted by a private company called "AMR". Air Ambulance/Helicopter service is provided via a joint effort between Reach, Cal Star, H30 and Cal Fire. Fire dispatch service is led by CalFire. The Calistoga Police Department serves as the Public Safety Answering Point. Training is conducted by both the State Fire Marshall and The Calistoga Fire Department. Arson Investigations is led by the State Fire Marshall (Calistoga, 2016).

<u>Dispatch</u>: Calistoga Police Department receives the 911 call and transfers the call to Cal Fire Dispatch or Napa 911.

<u>Fire Protection Water</u>: Water supplies available for fire suppression include hydrants, tanks and Swimming Pools. The hydrant capacity/rating of the system is 900- 2000 which is sufficient. There are proposed increases to the capacity of the system by replacing the old Feige water tank and replacing it with a lager tank.

Response Times: The City's Fire Department average response time is around 2 minutes and the goal is 4 minutes 90% of the time. Due to the unpredictable nature of emergency response, a target has not been established for the remaining 10% of calls.

Staffing: The Fire Department is predominantly staffed by professional fire personnel consisting of 4 FTE and 12 PTE City employees. To provide additional support on an as needed basis, there are 12 firefighter/EMT's who are on-call and are paid by the call. Table 4-9 provides more details about staffing.

Calistoga Fire Dept. Mission Statement

The mission of the Calistoga Fire Department is to provide those services to the residents and visitors of greater Calistoga which protect their lives, property and environment from, medical emergencies, hazardous materials incidents and disasters.

Table 4-9: Fire Department Staffing					
Staff	Career/Paid	Part-time			
Fire Chief	1	0			
Engineer	3				
Firefighter	0	0			
Firefighter/EMT	0	12			
Training Officer	1	0			
Source: Calistoga, 2016					

Calistoga City Fire Department works on a 24 hour per day shift schedule 365 days a year. The City has indicated that at this time the Fire Department has adequate staffing. Fire Department staff receives regular training, usually 12 hours per month, in order to stay current on new techniques and protocols. In addition, Fire Department staff participates in numerus specialized courses as well as FF1 and FF2 academy.

The Department's ISO rating is 3 (Calistoga, 2016).

Fire prevention education and planning is a service the Department provides to the general public. The Department also implements fire prevention by inspecting all commercial businesses annually. The department conducts fire prevention education by giving training to the schools.

In 2014, the Department responded to a total of 854 calls as shown in Table 4-10, below. This represents 162 calls for every 1,000 person in its jurisdiction, on average. This is a significant increase from the 117 calls for every 1,000 persons calculated in LAFCO's 2006 Fire MSR. It is also significantly higher than the call rate for other nearby jurisdictions. The majority of the calls the Department responds to are related to emergency medical service. It is possible that the City's senior citizens are increasingly relying upon the Department's emergency medical service and this contributes to the high rate of calls the

Department experiences. Tourists also contribute to the number of calls received. The Department's website at http://www.ci.calistoga.ca.us/city-hall/departments-services/fire-department/department-statistics provides detailed statistics regarding the number and type of calls responded to over a multi-year period.

Table 4-10: summary of the number and type of incidents responded to in 2014						
	Fire	EMS/ALS	Haz	False	Mutual	
	Suppression	/Rescue	Mat	Alarms	Aid	
Number of calls	51	731	1	56	15	
in 2014						
Source: Calistoga, 2016						

The Department maintains the following apparatus, vehicle and equipment: two engines of Type 1, one engine of Type 3, one water tender, two utility pickups, and one patrol truck. Administering CPR has been greatly enhanced with the purchase of a LUCAS automated chest compressing machine. Additionally, the Department is responsible for the fire station located at 1113 Washington St., Calistoga, CA.

Given the level of staffing, expertise, equipment, and practices, the Napa County Operational Area Hazard Mitigation Plan (2013 - 2018) gave Calistoga a Risk Assessment score of 1.8 for Wildfire which is classified as "Low Risk". Calistoga has adopted new building codes and regulations that protect new development and buildings from flooding, wildfire and Earthquakes (Napa County, 2013). This Hazard Mitigation Plan also assigned Calistoga two mitigation actions including: 1) Retrofit Critical Public Safety Infrastructure by first identifying critical infrastructure and then replacing that Infrastructure and 2) continue to promote fire safety by addressing students at schools, enforcing the municipal code for property maintenance, requiring burn permits, and investigating sources of fires (Napa County, 2013).

Since fire protection service is a basic City service, it is accounted for from the General Fund. In FY 14/15, \$946,984 was expended for fire protection and emergency medical services. This amount accounts for 11.6% of Calistoga's total General Fund expenditures for the fiscal year. Although the per capita expense equates to \$185, this figure does not reflect the services the City Fire Department provides to unincorporated Napa and Sonoma Counties.

Please note that the fire station is part of the capital lease arrangement in an original amount of \$4,674,000 with West America Bank. The City entered into this arrangement in fiscal year 2008 for the purpose of obtaining financing to make improvements to pool, recreation, fire, and public works facilities. The lease is payable in semi-annual installments. The water tender truck and a fire engine are under separate lease agreements with Sun Trust Leasing (Calistoga, 2015).

<u>Mutual Aid - Fire Protection.</u> The Calistoga Fire Department has agreements to be the first responder in nearby areas of unincorporated Napa County and to provide mutual aid to portions of unincorporated Sonoma County. Under the Department's agreement with the Napa County Fire Department, the City is paid for calls for service in unincorporated areas. The City is often the first responder in these instances. The Napa County Fire Department also responds to calls located with the city limits on an as-needed basis and does not charge for this service. For example, a large structural fire within the City could require response from five engines. The City would provide two engines and the County can provide three engines and together they would have sufficient resources to address these types of situations. Another example of collaboration is that each department will occasionally provide backfill staffing/support for each other in cases where one department is occupied with a response or training. Napa County Fire Chief Barry Biermann describes the relationship between the two departments as positive and mutually beneficial¹⁹.

4.1.6: Street and Transportation Services

Calistoga's Public Works Department is responsible for providing minor street repair (potholes and patching, curb and gutter maintenance) and street sign replacement services in the City. Larger construction projects, such as overlays, handicapped curb cuts, and striping, are contracted out to private companies. Current funding for street related expenses is drawn from the General Fund (\$271,964²⁰) and Calistoga's proportional share of gas tax revenues (\$140,650) (Calistoga CAFR, 2015).

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) recently issued an update to its annual report on the condition of the Bay Area's transportation system. The report includes evaluating and ranking current street conditions for all local agencies in the nine county Bay Area. The most recent update computing 2014 pavement conditions using special equipment measuring road vibrations ranked Calistoga as "fair." This score indicates that pavement in Calistoga is generally worn and in need of rehabilitation. The City has made paving improvements, but more are still needed.

The City also maintains sidewalks, bike routes, bike lanes, and bike pathways within the City's public right of way. Transit service is provided by Napa Valley Transportation Authority.

4.1.7: Planning and Building Services

In Calistoga, the planning and building functions are combined into one department which is responsible for providing development application review, building inspection, and

¹⁹ Personal communication, Fire Chief Barry Biermann, September 15, 2016.

²⁰ \$271,964 per per 2015 CAFR, pg 56.

certain code enforcement services in the City. The Department also reviews policy document revisions, such as General Plan amendments, and current projects such as rezoning requests, use permits, and parcel and subdivision maps. As part of its process, the Department coordinates an interdepartmental review to determine if a project will impact existing services in Calistoga including confirming the availability of water and sewer services. Additionally, the Department provides staff support to the Planning Commission, City Council, Active Transportation Advisory Committee and Green Committee.

On a day-to-day basis, Building Division staff implements state and local building standards for the protection of public health and safety by reviewing building plans and conducting building inspections. Adopted standards relate to building and fire safety, energy efficiency, and disabled accessibility. Department staff regularly interacts with the public to facilitate plan submittals and to increase understanding of the building permit review process.

Long-range planning activities that the Planning Division manages include updating the Calistoga General Plan, Calistoga Active Transportation Plan and Climate Action Plan. The Department also implements the Mobile Home Rent Stabilization Ordinance, the Down Payment Assistance Program for first time home buyers, the Mills Act program for historic preservation, and the City's Local Preference Policy for filling subsidized housing vacancies. At the regional level, planning staff coordinate with the Association of Bay Area Governments, and participates in county-wide technical and planning advisory committees.

The City recently approved several large development projects, including a Four Seasons resort, Calistoga Senior Apartments and a Boys and Girls Club. As these projects proceed, staff will be busy issuing building and grading permits, conducting building and landscape inspections, and ensuring compliance with a variety of city regulations. Additionally, the Planning and Building Department is undertaking a comprehensive fee study.

<u>Department Staffing</u>: The Department is managed by the Planning and Building Director and includes a Senior Planner and an Administrative Assistant. Building permit plan check and inspection services are conducted by an outside consulting firm via contract with the City (Calistoga, 2016).

<u>Department Funding</u>: The Department collects fees for services and permits. Funding is sometimes subsidized by the City's General Fund. However FY 13/14, a subsidy for the Building Division was not needed due to revenues from fees and services. The Department's current budget is \$0.49 million. This amount accounts for 5.1% of Calistoga's total operating budget for the fiscal year and represents a capita expense of \$95 (Calistoga, 2016). In FY 14/15, Department expenditures totaled \$593,152 (Calistoga, 2015).

4.1.8: Parks

Parks are managed by the Public Works Department Parks Division. The City owns and operates several parks facilities totaling over 14 acres as listed in Table 4-11, below.

Table 4-11: Parks and Facilities							
Name	Principal Facilities	Area					
City-Owned Recreational Facilities							
Fireman's Park	Passive recreation	0.13 acres					
Heather Oak Park	Playground	1.64 acres					
Little League Field	Baseball field	0.72 acres					
Logvy Community Park	Currently being developed	9.53 acres					
Monhoff Center	Tennis, racquetball, billiards	0.25 acres					
Myrtle Street pocket park	Passive recreation	0.12 acres					
Pioneer Park	Passive recreation, tot-lot						
Total City-Owned Public Acred	14.19 acres						
Recreational Facilities Owne	d by Other Agencies						
Napa County Fairgrounds	Camping, golf, public events	70.02 acres					
Calistoga Elementary School	Ball field, multipurpose auditorium	1.25 acres					
Calistoga High School	Softball, track & field, gymnasium						
Total Other Public Acreage	75.92 acres						
Total Recreational Acreage	90.11 acres						
Source: Calistoga, 2016							

Three facilities owned by other agencies are available for recreational use as listed in the above table. The Napa County Fairgrounds is a county-owned parcel which is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. The Napa County Fair Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. Local schools contain play grounds and other facilities that are available to the public. Two schools provide ball fields and other facilities for children and adults through a Joint Use agreement with the City.

The City General Plan notes that cities with an existing high ratio of park space to inhabitants can require new development to provide up to 5 acres per thousand persons that would live in the development, consistent with the State's Quimby Act. However, cities with a lower current ratio can only require the provision of up to three acres of park space per thousand population. Calistoga currently has a ratio of 2.7 acres of city-owned park space per thousand inhabitants. If the City were to improve this ratio by acquiring

more recreational land in Calistoga, a higher requirement for new development could be triggered. Although the 2.7 acre ratio may seem to suggest that Calistoga has a relatively low ratio of park space to population, it is important to note that this amount does not include the Napa County Fairgrounds and school recreational facilities, both of which provide important recreational facilities for Calistoga residents. If these spaces are included in the calculations, Calistoga has 17 acres of recreational open space per 1,000 residents. The City's preferred acreage ratio is a minimum five acres per thousand and the General Plan contains policies that seek to implement this standard.

A goal of the City General Plan is "Develop a full complement of parks and other recreational lands for public use and enjoyment (Goal OSC-1)." The General Plan contains numerous policies and actions to continue to improve parks and recreation services within the City. The City has also identified a need to develop additional facilities serving disabled persons and has prepared a Transition Plan addressing requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The City collects fees for use parks facilities. The Parks Division expended \$194,588 in FY 14/15 (Calistoga, 2015).

4.1.9 Recreation Services

Recreation Services is a separate department which provides a variety of community-related services offering recreational activities for youth (summer camp, teen center), adults (yoga, jujitsu, aerobics, golf, tennis, pilates), and seniors (golf, computers, day trips). This Department utilizes a staff of 6.50 FTE, which includes full-time, part-time, and seasonal workers. The City collects fees for recreation services. The Recreation Department expended \$515,757 in FY 14/15 (Calistoga, 2015).

4.1.10: Contract/JPA Services



Municipal services provided by Calistoga through contracts or jointpower authorities with other agencies companies include garbage collection, animal control, specialized engineering services, building inspection and

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plan check services, and other specialized services as needed.

Also, the City is part of Joint Powers Agreements as follows:

- Upper Valley Waste Management Agency garbage collection
- Marin Clean Energy energy provider
- Napa Valley Transportation Authority regional transportation services
- Napa County Flood Control Napa County Stormwater Management Program (Data Source: Calistoga, 2016)

Garbage Collection Services

Garbage collection in Calistoga is provided on a weekly basis by Upper Valley Disposal Service, Inc. (UVDS). UVDS is a private company under Franchise Agreement with the Upper Valley Waste Management Agency, a joint-powers authority that represents Calistoga, St. Helena, Yountville, and the County. UVDS' contract runs through 2025 and specifies that it is the exclusive contractor for the collection of garbage and rubbish in Calistoga. All customers also receive 96-gallon recycling and yard toters at no additional charge.

Garbage is disposed of at the nearby Clover Flat Landfill, off Silverado Trail, which has a projected lifespan to 2040 (Calistoga, 2016). Recycling is handled through the Whitehall Lane Recycle Center in St. Helena. Clover Flat Resource Recovery Park has been producing power made from landfill methane since the end of 2014.

Hazardous materials are disposed of properly through a private, licensed hazardous waste handling company. UVDS hosts an annual one-day hazardous waste collection event that allows local residents to bring in used paint cans and other household hazardous materials for disposal. Electronic waste (or e-waste) consists of computer equipment and printers, etc., and UVDS also hosts an annual one-day hazardous waste collection event that allows local residents to dispose of their household e-waste.

Specialized Engineering Services

Calistoga contracts with private firms to provide specialized engineering services in the City. These services include construction inspections, water and sewer system improvements, and general architectural and engineering services.

Building Inspection and Plan Check Services

Calistoga contracts with qualified private firms to provide plan check and building inspection services for most development.

Other Specialized Services

Calistoga contracts with a variety of private firms to provide specialized audit, financial, legal, planning, information/communication systems, and other services for the City. This

is a typical and cost effective method of cities to contract for these types of periodic and specialized services instead of providing the services with city staff.

4.2: INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC FACILITIES

Infrastructure development and maintenance is an important part of the service that the City provides. The City has a Capital Improvement Plan as part of its FY 16/17 Budget. The City has \$17.6 million in net assets (i.e. those assets that exceed liabilities) (Calistoga CAFR, 2015), as described in Table 4-12 and Table 4-13, below.

Table 4-12: Major City Facilities	
Department/Division/Service	Infrastructure/Facilities
Administration	City Hall
Water	Pipelines, water treatment plant, pipe
	connection to City of Napa, North Bay
	Aqueduct as described in Section 4.1.1
Sewer	Pipelines, wastewater treatment plant, other
	infrastructure described in Section 4.1.2
Storm Drainage	Pipes and drains as described in Section
	4.1.3.
Law Enforcement	Police station, patrol vehicles, other
	equipment as described in Section 4.1.4
Fire Protection And Emergency Medical	Fire station, fire trucks, other equipment as
	described in Section 4.1.5
Street and Transportation Services	City roads, trails, sidewalks and other
	infrastructure as described in Section 4.1.6
Planning	Inspection vehicle
Parks	Parks as listed in Section 4.1.8
Recreation	Community Pool and Monhoff Recreation
	Center
Contract/JPA Services	None

Table 4-13: General Capital Assets Us	sed in Governmental
Operations	
Asset Type	Asset Value
Land	\$1,964,744
Buildings	\$3,494,179
Improvements	\$9,077,964
Equipment	\$871,833
Infrastructure-street system	\$1,807,034
Construction in progress	\$710,267
Total	\$17,926,021
Data Source: Calistoga, 2015	

The City owns buildings which are leased to the Sharpsteen Museum and to the Boys and Girls Club of St. Helena and Calistoga. The City also owns agricultural land outside the city

limits which is leased to farmers for agricultural operations. Overall, the City believes its existing public service facilities are sufficiently sized to accommodate the anticipated growth for the next 5, 10, and 20 years (Calistoga, 2016).

4.3: Adequacy and Challenges in Provision of Service and Infrastructure

The biggest challenge the City has identified regarding its infrastructure needs or deficiencies are street repairs and addressing the Cease and Desist Order issued by the San Francisco Bay regional Water Quality Control Board. The City does have a Capital Improvement Plan and is working on addressing these challenges. One challenging regulatory issue which most cities in California face is water quality regulations and compliance with the RWQCB. As the City continues to dispose of treated wastewater and continues to deal with stormwater, this issue is likely to continue into the future. Calistoga provides several types of service to properties located outside the City boundaries including water, police protection, and fire protection. Working to comply with LAFCO policies and new state laws such as AB 402 is also a continuing challenge for the City.

4.4: Opportunities for Shared Facilities

Although its small size and geographic location represents constraints to collaboration, Calistoga does pursue opportunities to share facilities and services with its neighboring government agencies as follows:

- The City has a Joint Use agreement with the Calistoga Unified School District for use of recreation fields and the high school gym (Calistoga, 2016).
- The Fire Department has a contract with Napa County for fire protection services for the portions of the unincorporated areas of the County (Calistoga, 2016).
- The City has two mutual aid agreements: 1) Emergency medical, fire protection and related services, and 2) CalWARN Mutual Aid Agreement for Public Works (Calistoga, 2016).
- The City is part of Joint Powers Agreements as follows:
 - Upper Valley Waste Management Agency garbage collection
 - o Marin Clean Energy energy provider
 - Napa Valley Transportation Authority regional transportation services
 - Napa County Flood Control Napa County Stormwater Management Program
 - Western Riverside Council of Governments HERO Program (Data Source: Calistoga, 2016).

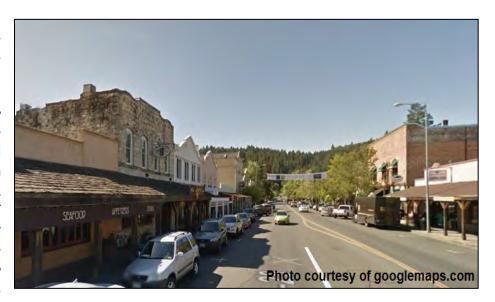
It is recommended that the City continue to be open to new opportunities to share facilities and to assess these ideas as they arise.

CHAPTER 5: FINANCING

5.1: FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The City of Calistoga prepares an annual operating budget which includes capital improvements, and also prepares an annual audit in the form of a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). Calistoga's adopted budget serves as the base for the City's financial planning and budget control systems. The City Council has set an objective to have the General Fund Reserve to be at least 30% of operating expenditures each Fiscal Year (FY). For the current 2015-2016 FY, the City is projected to end with a General Fund balance of 77.3% of operating expenditures. Both budgets and audits are available to the public via the City's website.

Calistoga practices an annual budget process for the Fiscal Year beginning on July 1st and ending on June 30th. The adoption the budget is preceded by a process in which each department submits a schedule of requests for appropriations to the City Manager. The City Manager uses



these requests as the foundation in preparing a budget for consideration by the City Council. Additionally, the City Council's adopted goals and priority projects are included in the budget. The budget is adopted at a noticed public hearing and is continually monitored to consider whether revisions are appropriate. The City updates the budget periodically throughout the fiscal year to reflect current conditions.

Calistoga's budget is divided into three units: 1) General Fund; 2) Enterprise Funds; and 3) Special Funds. General Fund revenues are primarily drawn from taxes, fees, and charges for services. These revenues support discretionary governmental services. Enterprise Fund revenues are collected from user fees and charges, and are intended to pay for the costs of providing such services. Special Fund revenues are generated from a variety of sources, including impact fees and governmental subventions, and are used to fund specific programs and projects. Calistoga's General Fund comprises five categories: 1) operating; 2) debt proceeds; 3) grant improvements; 4) special projects; and 5) capital projects.

Please note that for purposes of this MSR, the financial analysis relies upon the City's Financial Statement and Independent Auditor's Report. Budget information is also included in this MSR and is primarily utilized to compare expenditures for each functional category or City department.

The most recent independent auditor's report was prepared for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014/2015 and dated December 31, 2015, and was attached to the Agency's Financial Statements. The audit found that there were no issues of noncompliance with financial regulations that could have an effect on the financial statement. The Calistoga City Council also oversees the Calistoga Public Facilities Corporation, a non-profit public benefit corporation for the financing of City facilities and equipment. This non-profit corporation was included in the City's audited financial statements (Calistoga, 2015).

The City has been subject to Litigation which remains Outstanding on the topics of water rights and mobile home park space rents (Calistoga, 2016). For some cities, the costs associated with litigation can affect its financial status. In Calistoga's case, the costs of litigation have been significant; however, the City's overall financial status remains strong.

In the 2008, LAFCO's Final MSR found that half of Calistoga's annual operating revenue is generated from transient occupancy taxes, and although generally reliable, is dependent on tourism for which the City does not have direct control. This represents a constraint for budgeting purposes.

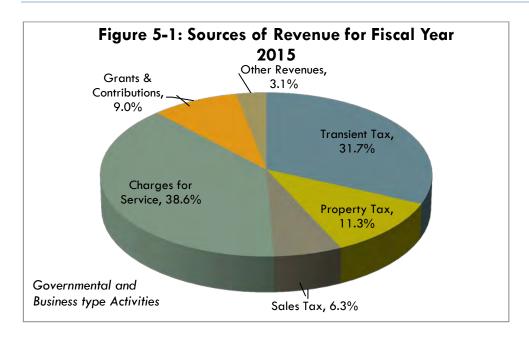
Revenues and Expenses

As indicated, the City of Calistoga conducts its operations through four types of funds: 1) General Fund; 2) Water Enterprise Fund; 3) Wastewater Enterprise Fund; and 4) Special Funds. This section describes sources of revenues and expenses associated with the City's normal operations.

Overview

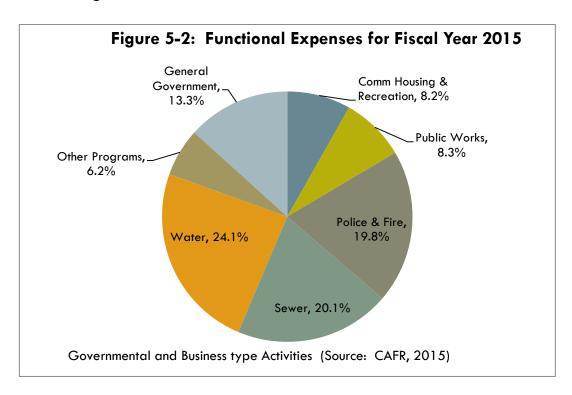
Revenue

Calistoga's total revenues from all governmental type activities in fiscal year 14/15 were approximately \$15.5 million. The Agency receives revenue from several sources including sales tax, property tax, grants and other sources. Almost 40 percent of Calistoga's total revenue is generated from charges for water and sewer service, which are part of an Enterprise Fund (CAFR, 2015). Most of the other revenues are utilized in the Agency's general fund. The City has increased multiple revenue streams including sales and property tax as shown in Figure 5-1.



Expenses

The City expended approximately \$12.8 million of its funds in 2015 to maintain basic services for residents and businesses. This includes \$2.5 million for public safety, \$1.7 million for general government services, \$1.1 million for public works, \$3.1 million for water service, \$2.6 million for sewer service, and \$1.8 on other governmental services, as shown in Figure 5-2.



General Fund

This section discusses the major General Fund financing components for the City of Calistoga and identifies the General Fund revenue sources and expenditures currently being experienced by the City. All City services are funded by the General Fund except: Water Service and Wastewater Service which are operated as Enterprise Funds; and Special Revenue Funds, which are restricted for specific purposes.

General Fund Revenues

General Fund Revenues for the past three Fiscal Years are shown in Table 5-1. Total revenues have increased over the past three fiscal years. This increase is attributed to a slight but steady increase in property tax revenues, and an increase in tourism, resulting in increased transient occupancy tax revenues.

The core operations of the City are accounted for in the General Fund, and the General Fund balance is a key measure of the financial health of the City. For the period ending June 30, 2013, the Available General Fund balance was \$2,465,431. This amount increased to \$4,855,620 on June 30, 2014, and \$7,195,044 on June 30, 2015.

Calistoga relies on General Fund revenues to fund 49.3% of City expenses. (Refer to Figure 5-1.) Primary revenue generators for the city are property tax, sales tax, and transient occupancy tax (TOT), of which TOT is a major contributor, accounting for half of General Fund revenues. (Refer to Table 5-1.)

It appears that the City is beginning to return to normal from the economic downturn, as TOT revenues have increased in each of the past three fiscal years. In addition, the City is anticipating an increase in property tax, sales tax, and TOT when proposed new resort development projects are completed.

Table 5-1: Three-year Revenue and Expenditure Comparison

Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year FY 12-13 FY 13-14			FY 14-1	5	
Revenues						
Property Tax	\$1,685,766	20%	\$1,718,834	18%	\$1,758,715	18%
Voter Approved Property Tax		0%		0%		0%
Sales Tax	\$954,573	11%	\$919,680	10%	\$953,927	10%
Transportation Tax		0%		0%		0%
Transient Lodging Tax	\$3,948,825	47%	\$4,456,456	47%	\$5,037,136	51%
Fines and Forfeitures	\$33,075	0%	\$35,799	0%	\$51,192	1%
Business License Taxes		0%		0%		0%
Licenses and Permits	\$92,315	1%	\$165,350	2%	\$140,668	1%
Franchises		0%		0%		0%
Other Non-Property Taxes	\$326,308	4%	\$384,488	4%	\$422,884	4%
Investment Earnings - Interest	\$20,249	0%	\$30,088	0%	\$43,423	0%
Intergovernmental	\$82,666	1%	\$91,001	1%	\$84,271	1%
Service Charges	\$778,797	9%	\$1,046,620	11%	\$1,046,992	11%
Other Revenues	\$155,730	2%	\$134,241	1%	\$140,613	1%
Transfers In	\$372,874	4%	\$488,689	5%	\$282,109	3%
Total Income	\$8,451,178	100%	\$9,471,246	100%	\$9,961,930	100%
Expenses						
City Council and City Clerk	\$176,052	3%	\$121,047	2%	\$135,411	2%
Support Services	\$1,405,992	22%	\$1,352,524	20%	\$1,650,988	23%
Planning and Building	\$414,531	6%	\$659,254	10%	\$660,542	9%
Public Works	\$872,239	14%	\$907,873	14%	\$988,420	14%
Police Services	\$2,184,026	34%	\$2,141,507	32%	\$2,239,981	31%
Fire Services	\$841,996	13%	\$884,603	13%	\$968,396	14%
Recreation Services	\$497,407	8%	\$544,889	8%	\$515,757	7 %
Other Expenditures		0%		0%		0%
Total Expenses	\$6,392,243	100%	\$6,611,697	100%	\$7,159,495	100%
Net Income (or Loss)	\$2,058,935		\$2,859,549		\$2,802,435	
Budgeted Begining General Fund Balance	\$717,752		\$1,379,074		\$2,867,240	
Budgeted Ending General Fund Balance	\$1,100,199		\$2,009,674		\$3,249,912	

General Fund Expenditures

Expenditure fund categories in Table 5-1 are broken down by City Department. Support Services include City Manager, Economic Vitality, Legal Services, the Finance Department, Risk Management, and Human Resources. The Public Works Department includes Streets, Park Maintenance, Building Maintenance, and Pool Maintenance. Total General Fund expenditures for FY 12-13 were \$6.4 million, for FY 13-14, \$6.6 million, and for FY 14-15,

\$7.1 million. The City anticipates General Fund expenditures to be \$8.4 million by the end of FY 15-16. Almost without exception, expenditures by Departments have increased each of the past three fiscal years. The Police Department utilizes 30.5% of the General Fund budget, which is lower than most cities of similar size. This lower percentage is attributed to the existing vacancies within the department.

Enterprise Funds

Enterprise Funds account for Calistoga's municipal operations that are intended to be selffunding through the collection of user fees and charges. Enterprise Funds in Calistoga include water and sewer services.

Total revenue for the Enterprise Funds was \$5.2 million comprised of \$0.5 million in capital grants and contributions, and \$4.7 million in charges for services (CAFR, 2015). For fiscal year 2015 the enterprise funds had an operating income loss of \$0.4 million, as compared to \$0.2 million loss in fiscal year 2014. These losses are due to the reduced water fees received as a result of water conservation and the drought and due to capital improvement projects. The City's general fund provides additional support to the enterprise funds as necessary (CAFR, 2015).

Water Enterprise Fund

As detailed in Table 5-2, charges for services comprise the vast majority of revenue for the Water Enterprise Fund, with Residential water sales accounting for 65% of total revenue. However, the cost to treat potable water has increased substantially over the past three fiscal years as indicated in Table 5-2. As a result, the Water enterprise Fund has been operating at a deficit, requiring transfers from other City funds. Water rates were last updated by the City Council in 2013 and are effective through 2017. However, given the losses incurred (exacerbated by the necessity to conserve water during the drought), the City may need to revisit the rates, fees, and charges associated with the Water Enterprise Fund.

Wastewater Enterprise Fund

AS with Water, the Wastewater Enterprise derives a majority of its revenue from Charges for Services, with Residential sales predominate although Transient sales comprise 25% of Wastewater revenues. Over the past three fiscal years, costs for collection and treatment have exceeded revenues. Similar to Water rates, Wastewater rates were last updated by the City Council in 2013 and are effective through 2017. Updating the fees appears to be in order for the upcoming year.

Table 5-2: Three-year Comparison of Water Revenues and Expenditures

Fiscal Year	FY 12-13		FY 13-14		FY 14-15	
Revenues						
OPERATING REVENUES						
Charges for Services						
Residential Sales	\$1,559,067	62%	\$1,564,402	56%	\$1,456,799	63%
Transient Sales	\$340,283	14%	\$367,250	13%	\$381,943	16%
Commercial sales	\$274,035	11%	\$311,665	11%	\$304,415	13%
Industrial Sales	\$87,487	3%	\$82,659	3%	\$94,162	4%
Other Revenues	\$99,164	4%	\$359,332	13%	\$83,068	4%
NON-OPERATING REVENUES						
Interest Earnings	\$430	0%	\$1,231	0%	\$1,000	0%
Napa County Measure A Funding	\$153,068	6%	\$124,831	4%	\$0	0%
Total Revenues	\$2,513,534	100%	\$2,811,370	100%	\$2,321,387	100%
Expenses						
OPERATING EXPENSES						
Water Distribution	\$483,857	16%	\$503,968	15%	\$368,309	11%
Water Treatment	\$1,516,006	50%	\$1,847,990	56%	\$1,734,223	54%
Water Conservation	\$19,199	1%	\$32,604	1%	\$103,274	3%
Depreciation	\$535,752	18%	\$391,774	12%	\$495,310	15%
NON-OPERATING EXPENSES						
Debt Payments	\$482,827	16%	\$473,980	14%	\$478,638	15%
Equipment	\$0	0%	\$26,006	1%	\$47,981	1%
Total Expenses	\$3,037,641	100%	\$3,276,322	100%	\$3,227,735	100%
Income (or Loss) Before Transfers	-\$524,107		-\$464,952		-\$906,348	
Transfers From or (To) Other Funds	\$300,391		\$1,376,500		\$1,348,697	
Net Income (or Loss)	-\$223,716		\$911,548		-\$408,414	
Working Capital Available at Year Er	\$0		\$911,548		\$1,355,979	
Data Source: City of	Calistoga Budg	ets for	FY 12/13, 13/	14, and	14/15	

Table 5-3: Three-year Comparison of Wastewater Revenues and Expenditures

Fiscal Year	FY 12-13		FY 13-14		FY 14-15	
Revenues						
OPERATING REVENUES						
Charges for Services		57%		0%		56%
Residential Sales	\$1,276,591	57 %	\$1,305,324	56%	\$1,337,783	56%
Transient Sales	\$544,780	24%	\$586,274	25%	\$590,197	25%
Commercial Sales	\$262,376	12%	\$303,862	13%	\$291,700	12%
Industrial Sales	\$50,969	2%	\$46,232	2%	\$63,017	3%
Other Revenues	\$95,000	4%	\$88,352	4%	\$94,714	4%
NON-OPERATING REVENUES						
None						
Total Revenues	\$2,229,716	100%	\$2,330,044	100%	\$2,377,411	100%
Expenses						
OPERATING EXPENSES						
Wastewater Collection	\$372,843	12%	\$405,120	13%	\$323,808	11%
Wastewater Treatment	\$1,326,272	42%	\$1,383,335	44%	\$1,378,037	45%
Depreciation	\$748,870	24%	\$621,672	20%	\$625,829	20%
NON-OPERATING EXPENSES						
Debt Payments	\$694,077	22%	\$694,163	22%	\$694,557	23%
Equipment	\$25,272	1%	\$72,952	2%	\$59,720	2%
Total Expenses	\$3,167,334	100%	\$3,177,242	100%	\$3,081,951	100%
Income (or Loss) Before Transfers	-\$937,618		-\$847,198		-\$1,163,257	
Transfers	\$1,092,013		\$1,427,939		\$1,338,599	
Net Income (or Loss)	\$154,395		\$580,741		\$175,342	
Working CapitalAvailable at Year End \$154,395 \$735,136 \$1,359,195						
Data Source: City of C	alistoga Budge	ets for F	Y 12/13, 13/1	4, and 1	14/15.	

Special Funds

Special Funds account for non-discretionary monies that may be used by Calistoga for specific purposes. Calistoga has established 27 special revenue funds, most of which derive their monies from specific sources, such as governmental subventions and developer fees, state transportation funds, fees for services, and transfers from other funds. Some of the major special funds include CDBG Open Grants, CDBG Loan Repayment, HOME, Gas Tax, Parking Ordinance, Public Safety, Transportation, Palisades Landscape Maintenance, and Asset Forfeiture. In 2010, Calistoga tracked special fund revenue on Schedule 3 within the CAFR and this indicates \$1,151,093 was in the fund. Since then the method to track special funds has become more specific and a total was not readily available with the 2015 CAFR.

Asset Maintenance and Replacement

The City owns buildings, facilities, vehicles and equipment, and other infrastructure. These capital assets and are depreciated over their estimated useful lives. For details, refer to Tables 4-12 and 4-13. Asset maintenance is a significant issue for the City, given the age of the water, wastewater, and storm drainage pipes.

Capital Improvements

The Capital Improvement Program (CIP) plan schedules permanent improvements, such as major maintenance projects, new construction, and rehabilitation projects that are needed to keep the city's infrastructure in good shape. The CIP covers a five year timeframe; however, only the first year's funding is appropriated within the FY 14/15 Budget. The CIP is reviewed on an annual basis for conformance to and consistency with the General Plan and City Council Goals and Objectives.

The budget for FY 15/16 allocated almost \$7 million towards 32 major capital improvement projects and 12 equipment and technology projects. This includes \$312,984 in routine expenditures for property and equipment and \$6,591,058 in significant non-routine capital infrastructure improvements. Funding for these projects is derived from city funds, user rate charges, and federal, state, and regional resources. 31 projects are sponsored by the public works department including street, sidewalk, and culvert maintenance and repair; wastewater system improvements; a lift station; water pumps and main improvements; crosswalk; traffic signal; and the Berry Street Bridge Replacement. Planning and Building sponsors one CIP project, the Fairway Path Extension.

Long-term Financial Considerations

In this section, the long-term liabilities and the debts the City has accumulated are briefly summarized. Additional details about liability and debt can be found in the City's Annual Financial Statement, available on the City's website. To cover capital expenses associated with general government and enterprise activity, it is common for local governments to take advantage of low interest rates by borrowing money from the state or other sources.

Financial and Audit Reports

Each fiscal Year, the City Staff prepare a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). Contained within the CAFR is an audit prepared by a qualified Certified Public Accountant. The most recent City Audit was for the 2014-15 Fiscal Year and was prepared by R.J. Ricccardi, Inc., CPA. The FY 2014-15 CAFR (as well as previous years) is available on the City's website.

Reserves

As of June 30, 2015, the City maintained a number of assets which can be considered to be reserves, although some are restricted for specific purposes. The General Fund balance

totaled \$7.2 million, of which \$0.6 million is non-spendable and \$6.6 million is unassigned. In addition, the General Fund had \$5.7 million in cash and investments.

Funds restricted for capital improvements, facilities, parks, and streets totaled \$723,792. Funds restricted for affordable housing totaled \$824,386. Funds restricted for public safety totaled \$396,777. The Water Enterprise Fund net position stood at \$9,957,208, while the Wastewater Enterprise Fund had a net position of \$5,080,626.

Outstanding Debt

At the end of 2015, the City carried \$20.2 million in long-term debt and capital lease obligations, primarily related to the water and wastewater systems. All required payments are being made on a timely basis.

Risk Management

The City of Calistoga utilizes insurance and business practices to minimize its financial risk, including reducing hazards and injury to people, and damage to property in providing City services and implementing projects. The City is an active member of a joint powers authority, Public Agency Risk Sharing Authority of California (PARSAC), for the management and insuring of general liability, property, employee, workers compensation and other risks. The City Manager and the Administrative Services Director serve as representatives to PARSAC. Processing liability or property claims as well as processing and management of the insurance certificates required by agreements is a responsibility of the City Clerk's office. Additionally, the City conducts an annual review of the City's self-insured retentions, insurance coverage, and provides programs for training of City staff on safety. City facilities, programs and services are periodically surveyed to identify hazards and improve efficiencies. Legal contracts for construction and other services are carefully considered in order to identify risks in the activity and mitigate or transfer the risk.

Cost Avoidance

This section highlights cost avoidance practices given necessary service requirements and expectations. Ideally, proposed methods to reduce costs would not adversely affect service levels. The City pursues an array of cost avoidance techniques that each contributes incrementally towards keeping costs at a reasonable level, including:

- a range of cost cutting measures, including budget cuts that resulted in staff layoffs and the provision of only essential services that the City undertook to save money and lower expenses during the recession.
- minimization of financial risks by maintaining professional insurance as a member of the Public Agency Risk Sharing Authority of California (PARSAC). PARSAC is a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) that provides comprehensive insurance to cities, towns and non-municipal public agencies through the State. PARSAC offers a variety of insurance coverage programs and the City participates in several.
- standardized bidding practices implemented by the City ensure the lowest and most responsive bid for services, supplies, and equipment.

Additionally, each City department seeks cost avoidance opportunities, as follows:

- Fire: participates in automatic aid agreements
- Parks and Recreation: coordinates with local service organizations
- Police: participates in mutual aid agreements

LAFCO's 2012 Law Enforcement MSR noted that the City has its own competitive procurement processes with respect to purchasing motor vehicles for law enforcement services. It would seem reasonable and more efficient for Calistoga to consider pooling its respective resources and establish a joint procurement process motor vehicle purchases with other local agencies such as American Canyon, Calistoga, Napa, St. Helena, and County Sheriff. Their combined buying power would presumably produce cost-savings (LAFCO, 2012).

Calistoga also participates in joint-power arrangements with the Upper Valley Waste Management Agency, the Napa County Transportation and Planning Agency, and the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District. These arrangements help maximize local resources among participating agencies in providing garbage collection, public transportation, and flood control services within their respective jurisdictions.

5.2 FINANCIAL METRICS

Change in Assessed Value

In FY14/15, the properties within the City of Calistoga had a total assessed value of \$741 million, which was a 4.84 percent increase over the previous year. Figure 5-3, below depicts the percentage change in assessed value year-to-year.

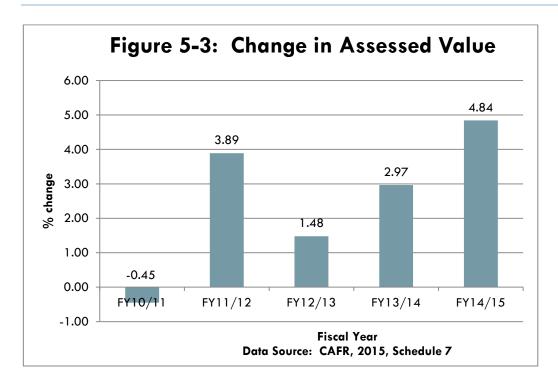
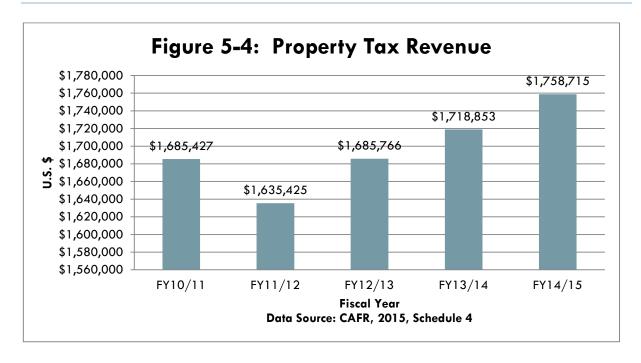


Table 5-4: Data for Assessed Property Value							
	FY10/11	FY11/12	FY12/13	FY13/14	FY14/15		
End FY in Tax roll Value	\$651,533,812	\$676,866,460	\$68,687,8025	\$707,262,503	\$741,509,414		
Beginning Tax roll Value	\$654,464,952	\$651,533,812	\$676,866,460	\$686,878,025	\$707,262,503		
Source of Data: Schedule 7, Ratios of Outstanding Debt by Type							

The City has resort projects that have been approved but not yet fully constructed. When complete, these resort projects will likely increase the total Assessed Property Value within the City.

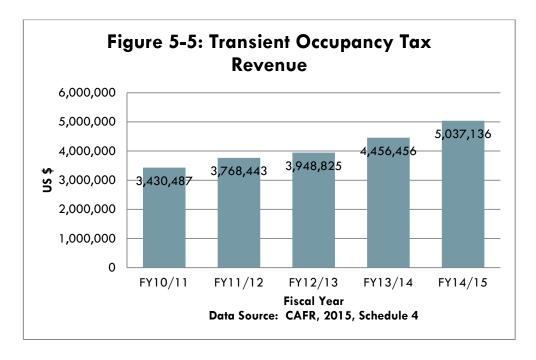
Property Tax Revenue

Annual property tax revenue is used as a fiscal indicator for cities. Although property tax revenue can be relatively stable, it does lag approximately two years behind changes in market conditions. In 2015, Calistoga received \$1.7 million in property tax revenue as shown in Figure 5-4, below. During the five year study period, property tax revenue was at its lowest in FY11/12 and has been steadily increasing since then. This increase is likely due to increased property values as the region recovers from the national economic recession of 2008-2009. These data were derived from Schedule 4 of the City's Annual Financial Report, 2015.



Transient Occupancy Tax

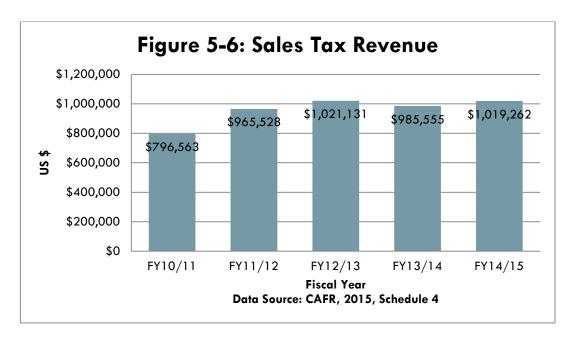
In 2015, the Transient Occupancy Tax represented 31.7% of the City's total revenue and totaled approximately \$5 million, as shown in Figure 5-5, below. The revenue from the Transient Occupancy Tax has been steadily increasing over the five-year study period.



Sales Tax Revenue

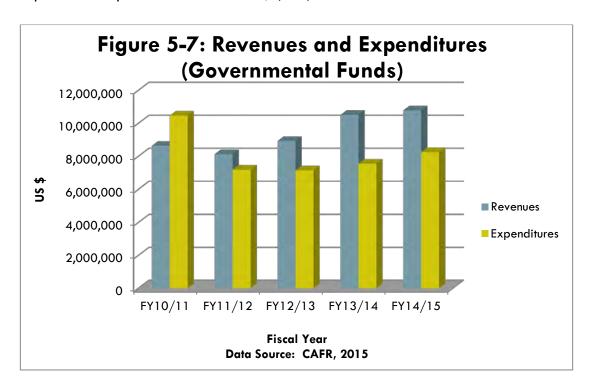
Annual sales tax revenue is used as a fiscal indicator for cities because it can help determine sensitivity to changes in local economic conditions, possibly impacting the ability of cities to fund and provide services. In 2015, sales tax revenue in Calistoga was

approximately \$1 million, as shown in Figure 5-6, below. Sales tax revenue has increased since FY10/11 and has remained steady during the FY11/12 to FY14/15 timeframe.



Revenues vs. Expenditures

Revenues exceeded expenses in four out of the five years studied as shown in Figure 5-7, below. Since FY11/12, revenues have been trending upward. In FY 14/15 the City's revenues for governmental funds was \$10,784,897 and expenses were \$8,250,937. This represented a positive difference of \$2,533,960.



Service Obligation Ratio

The Service Obligation Ratio (governmental) measures whether or not an agency's annual revenues were sufficient to pay for annual operations. A ratio of one or higher indicates that a government lived within its annual revenues. The formula for calculating this ratio is the division of the operating revenue by the operating expenditures. As shown in Figure 5-8 below, the ratio for Calistoga was greater than one in four out of the five years studied. Figure 5-8 describes governmental funds only. The "Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances" in CAFR 2011 - 2015 was utilized as the source of data as shown in Table 5-5, below.

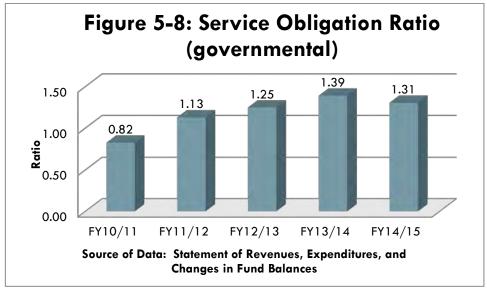
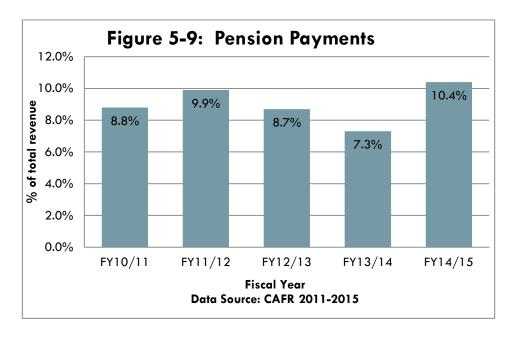


Table 5-5: Data for Service Obligation Ratio (governmental)						
FY10/11 FY11/12 FY12/13 FY13/14 FY14/15						
Program Revenue	\$8,636,331	\$8,129,629	\$8,929,145	\$10,510,288	\$10,784,897	
Program Expenses	\$10,468,388	\$7,193,135	\$7,146,072	\$7,552,676	\$8,250,937	
Source of Data: Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances in CAFR 2011-2015						

Pension Payments

The amount of pension payments as a percentage of total revenues is a fiscal health indicator, as shown in Figure 5-9, below. This was calculated by dividing the annual pension cost by the total revenue. In 2015, the City changed the way it described pension for workers in the enterprise units and this was factored into the percentages calculated. FY 14/15 saw the highest percentage paid at 10.4 percent.



Liquidity Ratios

Liquidity measures a government's ability to meet its short-term obligations. A high ratio suggests a government is able to meet its short-term obligations. This liquidity ratio was calculated by dividing "cash and cash equivalents" by "current liabilities". The data for Figure 5-10, below was derived from the Statement of Net Assets within the CAFR, years 2011 to 2015, as shown in Table 5-6 below. The Enterprise Funds and the Government Funds were summed together. The City's Liquidity Ratio has been improving in recent years and the City was best able to meet its short term obligations in FY 13/14 when the liquidity ratio was 3.82, as shown in Figure 5-10, below.

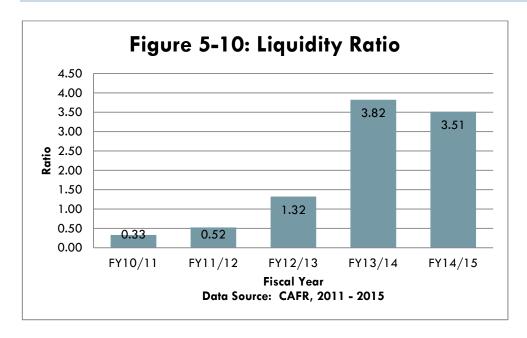


Table 5-6: Data for Liquidity Ratio					
	FY10/11	FY11/12	FY12/13	FY13/14	FY14/15
Cash and cash	* • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	† 1 3 5 1 10 0	\$4.00E.E44	40 504 504	.
equivalents	\$1,346,110	\$1,351,422	\$4,235,564	\$8,526,704	\$10,347,235
Total Current					
Liabilities	\$4,045,091	\$2,576,377	\$3,198,062	\$2,231,480	\$2,946,841
CAFR, 2011 to 2015					

Enterprise Fund Ratio of Charges

The Ratio of Charges for Services (business) is a metric that addresses the extent to which charges for service covered total expenses. A ratio of one or higher indicates that the service is self-supporting. The formula for calculating this ratio is the "charge for service" divided by the "operating expenses". The data originated from CAFR, 2011-2015 in the Statement of Activities and Schedule 2. As shown in Figure 5-11, below, the Enterprise Fund is not quite self-sustaining and must be supplemented by grant funds or by general fund revenue. In FY 14/15, the City collected \$4,714,756 in fees for water and sewer service, as shown in Table 5-7, below.

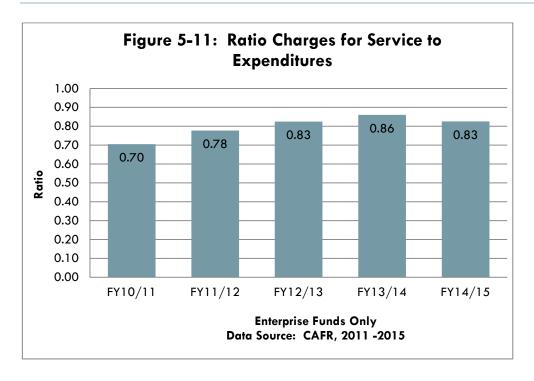


Table 5-7: Data for the Ratio Charges for Service to Expenditures (Business/Enterprise)							
FY10/11 FY11/12 FY12/13 FY13/14 FY14/15							
Charges for Service	\$4,052,917	\$4,377,356	\$4,641,119	\$5,012,361	\$4,714,756		
Operating Expenses	\$5,750,699	\$5,633,053	\$5,625,065	\$5,825,945	\$5,710,604		
Source of Data: CAFR, 2011-2015, Statement of Activities (charges for service) AND							
Schedule 2							

Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and Cash Equivalents are the most liquid assets of an agency's assets and can be readily converted into cash, as needed. A positive percentage change indicates that an agency's cash position has improved. The "Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents" metric shown in Figure 5-12, below, was calculated by dividing the ending year total cash and cash equivalents for the Enterprise Funds by the previous years. Although FY11/12 had the largest change, the actual value of cash and its equivalents was much larger in FY 13/14 (\$3,271,600) and 14/15 (\$2,500,423) as shown in Table 5-8, below.

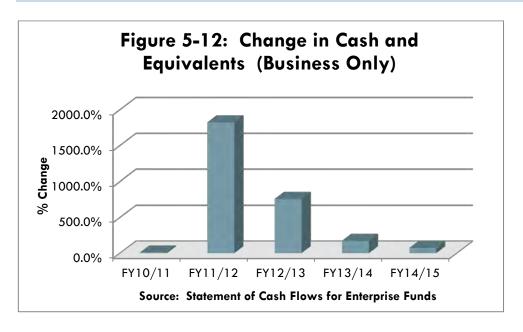


Table 5-8: Data for Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents (Business Only)					
	FY10/11	FY11/12	FY12/13	FY13/14	FY14/15
End Cash and cash equivalents	\$13,564	\$247,268	\$1,878,757	\$3,271,600	\$2,500,423
Beginning Cash and cash equivalents	\$96,412	\$13,564	\$247,268	\$1,878,758	\$3,271,600
From: Statement of Cash Flows for Enterprise Funds					

Debt Service

The percentage of "Debt Service" to operating expenses (minus depreciation) is used as a fiscal indicator because it considers the service flexibility by determining the amount of total expenses committed to annual debt service. Service flexibility decreases as more resources are committed to annual debt service. In FY 14/15 the annual service on debt related to regular governmental activities was \$342,643 and this represented 5.4 percent of the \$6,403,211 in governmental expenditures, as shown in Figure 5-13 and Table 5-9.

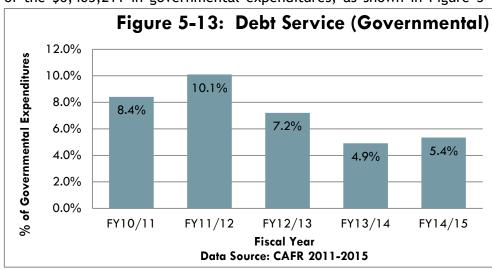


Table 5-9: Data for Debt Service (Governmental) Analysis						
	FY10/11	FY11/12	FY12/13	FY13/14	FY14/15	
Annual Gov Debt						
Service (Principal &						
Interest)	\$651,615	\$649,629	\$477,165	\$342,643	\$342,643	
Operating						
Expenditures (minus						
depreciation)	\$7,741,817	\$6,432,745	\$6,623,334	\$6,970,224	\$6,403,211	
Data Source: CAFR, 2011 - 2015						

In Calistoga, water and sewer funds are managed as an "enterprise" fund or business fund that is separate from the general fund. This allows the City to track and ensure that water and sewer customers only pay the amount that is directly required to sustain those services. However, sewer and water infrastructure are quite expensive due to the capital outlay for pipes, treatment plants, and associated facilities. To cover these capital expenses it is common for local governments to take advantage of low interest rates by borrowing money from the state or other sources. As a result, the City has acquired some debt for water services as follows:

- 2005 Install Purchase Agreement
- Measure A 2008 Certificate of Participation
- 2011 Certificate of Participation

The City's debt for sewer service includes the following loans:

- 2001 Install Purchase Agreement
- 2005 Certificate of Participation
- 2005 State Revolving Fund

In 2015, the joint expenses for the water and sewer system totaled \$3,975,477, as shown in Table 5-10, below. Approximately 32.8% of this was spent on debt service, paying off the principal and interest associated with the above listed loans, as shown in Figure 5-14, below.

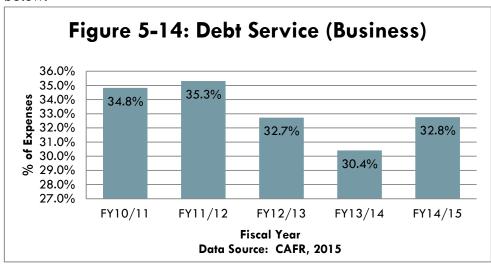


Table 5-10: Data for Debt Service (Business)					
	FY10/11	FY11/12	FY12/13	FY13/14	FY14/15
Total Debt					
Service	1,420,224	1,414,578	1,227,073	1,271,686	1,302,351
Total expense	\$4,078,295	\$4,005,410	\$3,749,437	\$4,181,636	\$3,975,477
Source: CAFR, 2015					

Other Post Employment Benefit

The City's annual "Other Post-Employment Benefit" (OPEB) cost (expense) is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 45. This amount is considered a liability and these OPEB obligations do not result in the use of current financial resources and are not reported in the funds. The total liability as of June 2015 was \$791,241 (CAFR, 2015). Figure 5-15, below shows the ratio between the OPEB payments and the OPEB Annual Cost (Expense). This ratio is variable from year-to-year and the highest ratio in FY 12/13 indicates that the City made the best payment in terms of cost, comparatively. In all years shown in Table 5-11, the costs exceeded the payments.

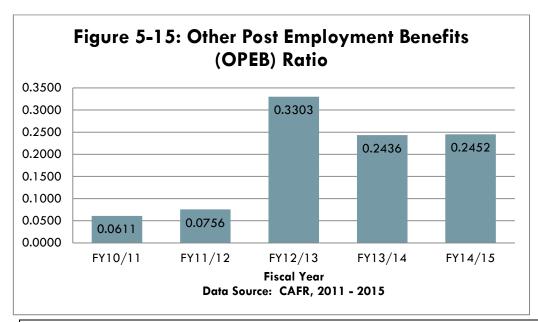


Table 5-11: Data for OPEB Payments Analysis						
	FY10/11	FY11/12	FY12/13	FY13/14	FY14/15	
OPEB Payments	\$10,000	\$14,000	\$68,500	\$30,367	\$32,306	
OPEB Annual Cost						
(Expense)	\$163,695	\$185,227	\$207,409	\$124,683	\$131,760	

The City has not defaulted on repayment of any bonds or other debt (Calistoga, 2016).

Comparison of Revenues Per Acre

The average revenue the City generated on a per acre basis in 2015 was \$9,314 and this is higher than its neighboring city of St. Helena, but lower than that of Yountville as shown in Figure 5-16, below. Revenue per acre is used as a fiscal indicator in this MSR/SOI because land development patterns have a significant influence on the finances of a town or city. A city has no management authority over its residents or businesses and they are free to move as they wish. Management of a city's water and air resources are regulated for the most part by state and federal agencies. The key management authority of a city is its land-use and zoning authority as found in its general plan and city ordinances. The revenue per acre metric measures the efficiency of cities in utilizing its land use authority to maximize local revenue generation. Since land is a finite resource, this metric also provides an indication of land-use sustainability (SMA, 2013).

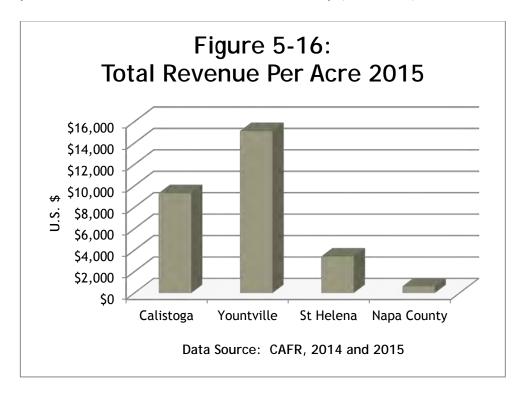


Figure 5-16, Total Revenues Per Acre, above, shows that the unincorporated area of Napa County generates a much lower amount of revenue on a per acre basis (\$638), as compared to the three cities. This is due to several factors related to different land-use patterns in the unincorporated area, including the provision of agriculture and green space. The County's Measure J in 1990, as extended by Measure P in 2008, requires the protection of agricultural land in the unincorporated area and focuses residential and commercial development in cities. Another factor is Proposition 13, a statewide ballot initiative passed by voters in 1978, which resulted in a state-wide standard for the amount and distribution of property tax.

One unintended consequence of Proposition 13 is the use of arcane finance techniques and the fiscalization of land use. When a City Council makes land use decisions, it often considers the revenue and expenditure consequences of such decisions. Specifically, those land uses that generate sales tax and transient occupancy tax type revenues, in addition to property taxes become more important, due to the consequences of Proposition 13. A potential rationale that both Counties and Cities likely consider when scrutinizing potential expansion of city boundaries or SOI's is the potential transfer of revenue generating landuses, such as a winery, from the County to the City's jurisdiction. Further compounding the fiscal situation to which local Measures J/P and Williamson Act contracts contribute, Napa County's ability to generate new revenues through its land-use authority is constrained. Also, due to Proposition 13, it is difficult for Napa County to raise property tax on the unincorporated area. This places the County in a challenging situation from the perspective of revenue generation. Nevertheless, residents of both the unincorporated area and the five cities therein derive economic and other community benefits (i.e. quality of life and environmental quality) from the scenic landscape the unincorporated area Additionally, clustering public services within the cities may be an efficient provides. approach.

CHAPTER 6: RECOMMENDED MSR DETERMINATIONS

6.1: MSR DETERMINATIONS

Based on the information included in this report, the following written determinations make statements involving the service factors the Commission must consider as part of a municipal service review²¹. The determinations listed below are recommendations from the consultant to the Commission. The Commission's final MSR determinations will be part of a Resolution which the Commission formally adopts during a public meeting.

Growth and Population Projections

- 1. Calistoga's population is 5,180 full-time residents as of January 2016. Between census year 2010 and today (2015), the City's population grew by 25 persons and this represents a past average annual growth rate of 0.08%.
- 2. Calistoga has been proactive in adopting polices to control the amount of new growth and development in the City. These efforts include a policy discouraging annexations of unincorporated lands.
- 3. Calistoga's Growth Management System is an innovative approach in controlling growth and development in the City by creating a market for residential and non-residential allocations. This system helps Calistoga preserve its desired rural character while providing an incentive for applicants to submit quality proposals.
- 4. The Association of Bay Area Governments estimates a modest population growth of 200 residents for Calistoga over the next 10 years, which represents an annual increase of less than 0.38%. This estimate reflects a regional assumption that growth in the Bay Area will increasingly migrate towards existing urban areas.
- 5. County of Napa's land use policies for unincorporated lands located within the Planning Area of the Calistoga General Plan limit opportunities for new growth and development adjacent to the City.
- 6. LAFCO's 2012 Law Enforcement MSR noted the following: "Yountville and Calistoga have the highest percentage of guestrooms relative to their resident populations among the six affected local jurisdictions. If guestrooms are fully occupied, Yountville and Calistoga's overnight resident populations would increase by 35.3% and 23.6%, respectively." This determination remains relevant to the City of Calistoga.

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²¹ The service factors addressed in this report reflect the requirements of California Government Code §56430(a)

Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities

- 7. Since Calistoga is an incorporated city, there are no disadvantaged unincorporated communities within its boundaries.
- 8. The median household income (MHI) in Calistoga is \$52,131 using recent data from the U.S Census. The City's RCAC survey found the MHI to be \$43,366.
- 9. Based on supplemental information provided by the City, the community may be classified as "disadvantaged". However, LAFCO's role in this "disadvantaged" status is limited because the City provides sufficient provide water, wastewater and structural fire protection services. Additionally, no public health and safety issues have been noted.

Present and Planned Capacity of Public Facilities

- 10. The City of Calistoga has been diligent in developing plans to accommodate the service needs of current and future constituents. Calistoga regularly reviews and updates its service plans to help ensure that infrastructure needs and deficiencies are addressed in a timely manner.
- 11. Calistoga has made a significant investment over the last several years in funding various capital improvements and reflects a concerted effort by the City to enhance the level and range of its municipal services.

Water Facilities

- 12. Calistoga's local municipal average annual water demand is approximately 716 AF.
- 13. A considerable portion of Calistoga's available water supply is the State Water Project. However, allocations from this source vary annually depending on available water flow.
- 14. Calistoga contracts with the City of Napa to treat and deliver its SWP entitlement through an interconnection between the two agencies' transmission lines. Capacity constraints with Calistoga's transmission line, however, limit the daily amount of deliveries from Napa.
- 15. Factors that influence the City's ability to supply and/or deliver water to its customers include drought, environmental restrictions on pumping from the Delta, pipe size capacity limits from the City of Napa
- 16. Given potential future shortfalls in water supply and the City's reliance on the SWP as described in this MSR, the City and LAFCO may wish to consider new policies or processes which require very careful evaluation of long-term water supplies before it commits to providing water to parcels outside city boundaries.
- 17. Given the City's reliance on the SWP and potential future shortfalls in water supply during dry or extremely dry water years, it is recommended that the City of Calistoga prepare a brief (3-pages) study of potential for future water supply alternatives, which may include: 1) desalinization, 2) expanding its recycled water program, 3) constructing wells [possibly down valley], 4) increased water use efficiency, or 5) other. This study should be prepared by a qualified hydrologist.

Calistoga should explore this concept of new future water supply alternatives collaboratively with other municipalities in Napa County. Ideally, this study should be submitted to LAFCO within the next five years, prior to preparation of the next MSR.

Wastewater Facilities

19. There are fluctuations between the average daily wastewater flows within Calistoga's sewer system between dry-weather and wet-weather periods. These fluctuations suggest improvements are needed to the collection system to address suspected deficiencies involving excessive storm and groundwater intrusion. Although the City has made improvements over the past several years, additional work is needed.

Street and Transportation Facilities

20. Calistoga recently received a score of "fair" for pavement conditions within the City from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission. This score indicates that pavement in Calistoga is generally worn and in need of rehabilitation. Improvements have been made but more are still needed.

Financial Ability of Agency to Provide Services

- 21. The City's budget process provides a revenue forecast for one year in advance allowing a longer look into the future to fund service delivery and to plan for future improvements. The City adopts a comprehensive budget and receives an audited financial statement on an annual basis.
- 22. Both the Water and the Wastewater Enterprise Fund are managed efficiently. However, charges for service do not fully cover costs. A subsidy from the General Fund is sometimes needed to help cover the costs of capital improvements to the system.
- 23. Calistoga adopts its budget at public meetings in which members of the public are allowed to comment with regard to expenditures and service programs. The budget process enhances the accountability of elected officials and provides a clear directive towards staff with regard to prioritizing local resources.
- 24. Calistoga has been diligent in the development of policies and service plans that address the existing and future needs of the community. These efforts provide effective performance measures and demonstrate a commitment by Calistoga to hold itself accountable to the public.
- 25. Calistoga's rates and fees for municipal services are established by ordinance or resolution. The ordinances or resolutions are based on staff recommendations and adopted by the City Council. This administrative process provides an opportunity for public input and strengthens the ability of Calistoga to allocate costs with the desired levels of service of its constituents.

- 26. Calistoga has been proactive in establishing and implementing a number of impact fees relating to new development. These fees help ensure that Calistoga is practicing an appropriate level of cost-recovery as it relates to serving new development in a manner that is equitable to existing constituents.
- 27. Calistoga periodically reviews and updates its rates for public services.
- 28. Calistoga benefits from participating in a number of cost-sharing programs with other local governmental agencies. These programs promote the benefits of regional partnerships and provide significant cost-savings in providing key governmental services, such as affordable housing, garbage collection, and public transit.
- 29. Calistoga maintains and annually reviews a capital improvement plan (part of FY 15/16 annual -Budget) to coordinate the financing and construction of needed infrastructure and facility improvements. This process enables Calistoga to maximize its operational efficiencies while avoiding unnecessary expenditures associated with deferring improvements.
- 30. Calistoga's annual budget process includes several checks and procedures during the fiscal year to help allocate available funding with appropriate levels of service.
- 31. The City generated \$9,314 per acre in average revenue in 2015 and this higher than its neighboring City of St. Helena and lower than Yountville.
- 32. In FY14/15, Calistoga collected approximately \$5,037,136 (total) in transient-occupancy tax revenues. In the past overreliance on this one revenue stream created a risk. Since then, the City has worked to increase multiple revenue streams including sales and property tax.

Opportunities for Shared Facilities

- 33. Calistoga has a solid track record of working cooperatively with neighboring jurisdictions.
- 34. Calistoga participates in joint-power arrangements with the Upper Valley Waste Management Agency, the Napa County Transportation and Planning Agency, and the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and others. These arrangements help maximize local resources among participating agencies in providing garbage collection, public transportation, and flood control services within their respective jurisdictions.
- 35. LAFCO's 2012 Law Enforcement MSR noted that the City has its own competitive procurement processes with respect to purchasing motor vehicles for law enforcement services. It would seem reasonable and more efficient for Calistoga to consider pooling its respective resources and establish a joint procurement process with other local agencies such as American Canyon, Calistoga, Napa, St. Helena, and County Sheriff. Their combined buying power would presumably produce cost-savings (LAFCO, 2012). This recommendation remains relevant to the City of Calistoga.
- 36. LAFCO's 2012 Law Enforcement MSR noted that "Calistoga and St. Helena should consider the merits of establishing a joint dispatch system for law enforcement for their respective jurisdictions. This type of joint arrangement, as evident in other

parts of the county, would enhance communication and delivery of emergency response services for a relatively confined area that shares similar social and economic communities of interest" (LAFCO, 2012). This recommendation remains relevant to the City of Calistoga.

Accountability for Community Service Needs

- 37. Calistoga City Council meetings are held twice a month and are open to the public.
- 38. Regularly scheduled meetings provide an opportunity for residents to ask questions of elected representatives and help ensure service information is effectively communicated to the public. The meetings are noticed and conducted according to the Brown Act.
- 39. Calistoga provides effective services through its council-manager form of government, and utilizes other governmental advising bodies, community organizations, and the general public to help inform its decision-making process. Through this structure, public engagement is encouraged and City plans and programs reflect citizen input.
- 40. Calistoga has utilized its General Plan and other planning tools to:
 - Steer a course for its own future
 - Promote economic development
 - o Protect historic areas, neighborhoods, and farmland
 - Limit the obligations of government by strategic building and maintaining infrastructure through capital improvement planning and investments.
- 41. In the past, Calistoga established water service to 82 properties located outside its incorporated boundary. LAFCO and Calistoga must work together to ensure new and extended services provided by the City outside its jurisdiction is consistent with the provisions of California Government Code Section 56133, including AB 402 and the recommendations of this MSR/SOI Update. California Government Code \$56133 was enacted in 1994 and requires cities and special districts to receive written approval from LAFCO prior to providing new and extended services by contract or agreement outside their jurisdictions. This Code includes newly approved AB 402 by Assemblyman Dodd.
- 42. LAFCO approved several small annexations to Calistoga in the early 1970s that were not subsequently recorded with the State of California. As part of this MSR/SOI Update process LAFCO reviewed its records and could find no information explaining why these proposals were not recorded. However, LAFCO may also consider working with Calistoga and the State in identifying why these proposals were not recorded. .
- 43. The Institute for Local Government's Sustainability Best Practices Framework offers options for cities and water service providers to take local action concerning Energy Efficiency & Conservation, Water and Wastewater Systems, Waste Reduction and Recycling, and other civic topics as described here: http://www.ca-ilg.org/sites/main/files/file-attachments/sustainability_best_practices_framework_7.0_version_june_2013_final.pdf. When Calistoga next develops new programs or policies on water, wastewater, or waste reduction it is recommended that some of the ideas listed in the Best Practices Framework be briefly reviewed.

Accountability of Police Services

- 44. The City's Police Department is effectively managed and is responsive to current community needs.
- 45. LAFCO's 2012 MSR on Law Enforcement noted the following: "The planning and delivery of local law enforcement services are generally guided by qualitative goals outlined in the six affected agencies' general plans. Measuring the achievement of these goals would be strengthened by each affected local agency establishing quantitative standards to help track performance and inform decision-making as it relates to current and future resource needs." This recommendation remains pertinent to the City of Calistoga.
- 46. LAFCO's 2012 MSR on Law Enforcement noted the following: "Calistoga and St. Helena's geographic and socioeconomic similarities suggest there may be viable opportunities to share and/or combine resources in delivering law enforcement services within their respective jurisdictions. This includes back-officing dispatch." This recommendation remains pertinent to the City of Calistoga. Please note that Calistoga has recently contracted with Petaluma Animal Services Foundation located in Sonoma County to provide animal control services.
- 47. LAFCO's 2012 MSR on Law Enforcement noted the following: "Visitors are an integral component in supporting Napa County's economy as evident by sales and transient-occupancy tax revenues and create additional and fluid demands on all six local law enforcement agencies." This determination remains pertinent to the City of Calistoga.
- 48. Crime statistics on the Police Department website have not been updated since 2009. It is recommended that the Police Department website be updated to provide a link to its recent crime statistics either at the FBI or in the City's Annual Audited Financial Report.
- 49. In 2015, the police Department received 9,592 calls for service. This is an exceedingly high number of annual service calls relative to Calistoga's geographic and population size. It is also recommended that prior to the next MSR (expected in 2021), the Police Department provides a brief (1-page) study to LAFCO that explains why the City experiences such a high number of annual service calls.
- 50. In 2014 the Department reported a total of 76 crimes to the FBI and this represents 14.4 crimes per thousand persons on an annual basis. This is significantly lower than the statewide average of 287 crimes per 1,000 persons.
- 51. LAFCO's 2012 Law Enforcement MSR noted that "It would seem appropriate for Calistoga and St. Helena, given the costs and related challenges associated with sustaining relatively small stand-alone departments, to consider structural alternatives in providing law enforcement services. This includes based on a cursory review of potential alternatives the two affected local agencies exploring the feasibilities of forming a joint-powers authority with one another and/or one or both agencies contracting with County Sheriff." This recommendation remains relevant to the City of Calistoga. Furthermore, it is recommended that the Calistoga Police Chief work with the St. Helena Police Chief to submit a brief (two-pages) joint analysis of this issue to LAFCO prior to the next City MSR expected in the year 2021.

Accountability for Fire Services

- 55. The City Fire Department responded to 854 calls for service in 2014. The high rate of calls per 1,000 residents is likely influenced by requests for services from senior citizens and tourists.
- 56. The City maintains a contract with Napa County such that the City provides emergency response services to all incidents in the unincorporated area surrounding Calistoga. Under the contract, the City receives a set fee per call to compensate for the costs the City incurs.

Any Other Matters Related to Service Delivery as Required by LAFCo Policy

57. There are no other aspects of City services required to be addressed in this report by LAFCo policies that would affect delivery of services.

CHAPTER 7: SPHERE OF INFLUENCE ANALYSIS AND DETERMINATIONS

7.1: SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATE OPTIONS

Sphere of Influence Considerations

The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 requires that LAFCO review and update the Sphere of Influence (SOI or Sphere) for each city within the county. In determining the Sphere of Influence for an agency, LAFCO must consider and prepare written determinations with respect to five factors [Government Code §56425(e)]. These factors relate to the present and planned land uses including agricultural and open-space lands, the present and probable need for public facilities and services, the present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services, the existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area, and the present and probable need for public facilities and services of any disadvantaged unincorporated communities within the existing sphere. Further, Napa LAFCO policies relating to Spheres specify that:

- The Commission shall consider removal of lands from an agency's SOI if the lands are not expected to be developed for urban uses or require urban-type services within the next 10 years (e.g., agricultural lands within St. Helena's SOI and boundary) (Policy III[B][5)]).
- City Spheres of Influence further emphasize that city SOIs are intended to be guides for urban growth and development (Policy III[C]).

These policies also require the relevant MSR data be utilized to document service and facility capacity. This chapter represents Napa LAFCO's scheduled sphere review of the City of Calistoga. The most recent comprehensive review of Calistoga's sphere was presented to the Commission in August 2008.

Objective

The objective of this Chapter is to identify and evaluate areas that warrant consideration for inclusion or removal from Calistoga's sphere as part of a comprehensive review. The aim is to be consistent with the provisions of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 and the Commission's adopted policies. The Commission's "General Policy Determinations" provide direction with respect to establishing and amending an agency's sphere in relationship to local conditions and circumstances. The General Policy Determinations state that a city's sphere shall exclude lands designated as agricultural or open-space for the purpose of urban development unless it is demonstrated that infill opportunities are limited or non-existent. The Calistoga General Plan's Land Use Element identified almost 400 acres of agricultural land and vacant land located within the existing

City limits that could potentially be developed at some point in the future, provided that zoning, CEQA, and other requirements can be met. It should be noted that none of this land is zoned as "agriculture" or "open space" and is therefore available for development.

State law suggests all LAFCOs review and update each local agency's sphere by January 1, 2008 and every five years thereafter, as needed. Accordingly, it has been the practice of the Commission to review and update each local agency's sphere in a manner that emphasizes a probable five-year service area.

Existing Sphere of Influence

Calistoga's sphere was established by the Commission in 1973. The Commission designated the sphere to reflect what it believed to be Calistoga's incorporated boundary. This included adding an approximate 5.2 acre parcel located along Calistoga's southeast "panhandle" section that was approved for annexation one year earlier. However, as part of the 2008 municipal service review, it was determined that the annexation was abandoned prior to recordation for unknown reasons. No amendments to the sphere have been approved by the Commission since its establishment.

In terms of proportions, Calistoga's sphere is approximately 1,657 acres or 2.6 square miles in size. The sphere includes a total of 1,660 assessor parcels with an average size of 0.9 acres. The sphere is coterminous with Calistoga's incorporated boundary with the aforementioned exception of including a 5.2 acre unincorporated parcel located along Calistoga's southeast panhandle section.

SOI BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The intent of an SOI is to identify the most appropriate areas for an agency's service area in the *probable future*. Pursuant to Napa LAFCO policies relating to SOIs, LAFCO discourages inclusion of land in an agency's Sphere if a need for services provided by that agency cannot be demonstrated. Accordingly, territory included in an agency's Sphere is an indication that the probable need for service has been established, and that the subject agency has been determined by LAFCO to be the most logical service provider for the area.

There are a number of ways to look at Spheres of Influence. One option is to consider growth and development and the need for municipal services over time. A second option is to determine an agency's ability to provide municipal services beyond its current boundary. For a City or District that does not plan to provide municipal services beyond its present boundary, a Sphere boundary that is the same as the agency boundary is called a *Coterminous Sphere of Influence*. A third option is related to reducing the current Sphere of Influence of an agency by adopting a *Minus Sphere of Influence* (or Reduced Sphere of Influence) by excluding territory currently within an agency's Sphere. A fourth option relates to Sphere areas for which municipal services are not intended to be provided; that is, areas within a

Sphere which will remain undeveloped (such as open space or 'protected lands'). Such an area is a special case, and requires the agency to demonstrate why an area should be included within a Sphere for which no municipal services will be provided. LAFCO also has the ability to determine a Zero Sphere of Influence for a City or District, signaling that the City or District does not have the wherewithal, governance capability, financial means, and/or operational capability to provide the municipal services for which it was formed, and should be dissolved or its function(s) reallocated to another agency.

In the future, Napa LAFCO could potentially create an additional category related to Spheres called *Areas of Concern*. Areas of Concern are defined as "a geographic area beyond the Sphere of Influence in which land use decisions or other government actions of one local agency impact directly or indirectly upon another local agency."

Presented within this Chapter are Sphere of Influence Options for the City of Calistoga. The options presented are not mutually exclusive, but can be utilized in combination to allow the Commission to adopt the most appropriate Sphere Update for the City. Sphere Options are presented, followed by a discussion of the options, along with a Sphere matrix of factors LAFCO considers in updating a Sphere of Influence.

Agricultural Preservation

During the July 18, 2016 public meeting on the Draft MSR/SOI, the Commission requested that this document include additional information on the regional importance of agriculture and associated agricultural protection policies and programs. Agricultural preservation has long been important to the citizens of Napa County and the County's policies aim to ensure a sustainable future. This approach has eased Napa County's retention of its prime vineyard lands in production as compared to the large tracts of farmland in other parts of the Bay Area which have been urbanized. The County established the first Agricultural Preserve in California in 1968. Measure J was adopted by County voters in 1990 and this ordinance has provided a significant level of agricultural protection since its adoption. Measure J's term was extended beyond the original sunset date of 2020 when the voters adopted Measure P in 2008. Measure P is scheduled to sunset in the year 2058. Policies and regulations that implement Measure J and P are located within the Napa County General Plan and the Napa County Zoning Ordinance (Napa County, 2013b). Measures J and P require a two-thirds vote of the county's citizens to rezone any land from Agricultural to a different use. Only a handful of these rezoning attempts have passed, and all were very specific, such as allowing the sale of pumpkins and produce in a rural site and allowing a local restaurant to serve meals on its existing patio. The resistance the local citizenry has shown to rezoning attempts reflect local values and the importance placed on agricultural land. Additional details regarding the importance of the Agricultural Preserve can be found in Appendix G, Napa Vitners: 40 years of Agricultural Preservation.

Although Measures J and P and the Napa County General Plan are important in the context of countywide land use planning, they do not apply to local cities such as Calistoga, Yountville,

and St. Helena. Since local jurisdictions retain land-use authority, city councils and/or planning commissions have the ability to rezone land from Agriculture to other uses. Since cities can rezone properties without putting the rezone in front of the voters and since cities are not required to comply with the Napa County General Plan or County Ordinances, allowing new and more diverse land uses is easier within a city. This relates to the sphere of influence update because a potential future annexation of land into a city allows the city to rezone an annexed parcel from Agricultural Preserve to a non-agricultural use. However, it should be noted that rezoning has not been proposed and is not contemplated by the City of Calistoga. This paragraph merely describes what could be possible at some future date if certain actions are taken.

Summary of Sphere Update Process

This Chapter presents options for updating the SOI for the City of Calistoga. The presented options are informational and may assist the Commission in considering next steps. When LAFCO moves to choose a specific option for updating the SOI, the Commission may request additional information at that time. LAFCO's process provides for a meeting/conference between cities and the County prior to updating a city's SOI. Additionally, the Commission will hold a public hearing and adopt written statements of fact regarding the SOI prior to or in conjunction with adopting any option for a specific update. Environmental review, consistent with CEQA, would also be required.

This SOI analysis relied upon a wide range of information as detailed in Chapter 9, References. When selecting study areas, the consultants significantly relied upon the following five factors:

- planning area of the City and County General Plan
- Parcels that receive water service
- Fire protection area (per agreement)
- Police protection area (per agreement)
- Opportunity for infill development rather than SOI expansion

STUDY AREAS

Three study areas were chosen by the consultants to form the basis of an analysis of various options for the Commission to consider regarding the City's SOI. Several factors were used to identify these study areas to evaluate adding or removing from Calistoga's sphere as part of this comprehensive review. These factors include (a) relationship and proximity to incorporated boundary, (b) land use designations, (c) infrastructure capacities, and (d) provision of public services.

Consideration was given to establishing study areas to reflect Calistoga's outside water service area, which extends north of the City along State Highway 128, Petrified Forest Road, and Tubbs Lane, among other areas as shown in Figure 7-1. The merits in establishing this

type of study area relates to the role of the sphere in designating each agency's present and probable future service area.

Traditionally, cities, towns, and special districts have been required to request and receive written approval from LAFCO before providing new or extended services by contract or agreement outside their jurisdictions but within their spheres. However, AB 402 (Dodd), codified under Government Code Section 56133.5, establishes a pilot program to authorize service provision outside a local agency's jurisdictional boundary and sphere of influence to support existing or planned uses that do not involve a threat to public health. This includes LAFCO making a determination that the extension of service or services deficiency was identified and evaluated in a review of municipal services prepared pursuant to Government Code Section 56430. Further, LAFCO would be required to determine that a sphere of influence change involving the subject territory and its affected agency is not feasible or desirable based on the adopted LAFCO policies.

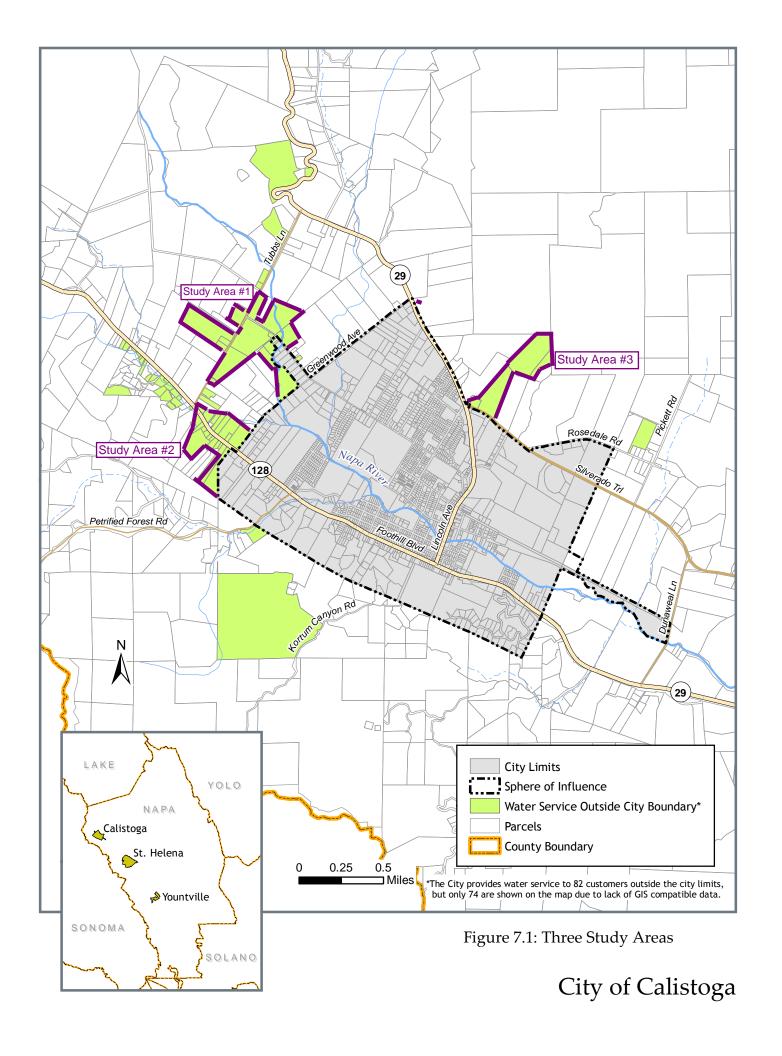


Table 7-1: Analysis of Study Area #1					
Issue	Comments				
Parcel Numbers	Study Area #1 is 107+ acres in size and contains 17 parcels. The Assessor Parcel Numbers are as follows:				
	■ 017-130-011-000, 017-130-057-000, 017-130-009, 017-160-010-000, 017-160-011-000, 017-160-016-000, 017-160-017-000, 017-160-024-000, 017-160-025-000, 017-210-006-000, 017-221-002-000, 017-221-003-000, 017-221-004-000, 017-221-006-000, 017-221-012-000, 017-222-010-000.				
Location	Study Area #1 is located north of Greenwood Avenue and along the Napa River.				
Services Provided	The City currently provides municipal water service to properties within Study Area #1. Police protection and fire protection services are provided by the City and the County through mutual aid agreements.				
Present and planned land uses in the area	Each of the parcels contains a single family home, with the exception of: 1) APN 017-130-057-000 which contains a medical care use and 2) APN 017-130-009 which contains The Geyser, a commercial use.				
	The City's 2015 General Plan states "The City has no intention of annexing any area outside of the current city limits, and the City's Sphere of Influence is coterminous with the city limits." The City General Plan does not contemplate the development of or designate land uses for Study Area #1. Since these parcels lie within the unincorporated area, the Napa County General Plan and Zoning Ordinance serve as the guide for land use decisions. The Napa County Zoning designation for each of the 17 parcels is Agricultural Preservation District (AP). The Napa County General Plan designation for the 17 parcels is Agricultural Resource (AR).				
Potential effects on agricultural and open-space lands	All of the 107+ acres located within the Study Area #1 are zoned for agriculture. The State Dept. of Conservation Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program designates a portion of Study Area #1 as "Farmland of Local Importance". Including Study Area #1 into the city's SOI and boundary could result in removing agricultural soils from production. Napa County General Plan Figure AG/LU-3.5: AR AND AWOS LANDS NOT SUBJECT TO MEASURE J, indicates that a small portion of Study Area #1 is not subject to Measure J.				
Present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area	The City currently provides municipal water service to properties within Study Area #1. Police protection and fire protection services are provided by the City and the County through mutual aid agreements. Future extension of wastewater service or other public services to Study #1 have not been contemplated.				

Table 7-1: Analysis of Study Area #1			
Issue	Comments		
Present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services	The parcels located within Study Area #1 currently receive water from the City, with the exception of one small parcel. Due to resource constraints, LAFCO has recommended that the City conduct studies of future water supply options. Parcels in Study Area #1 may currently pay an out-of-boundary rate for water service and this rate may change if the area were to be annexed. To ascertain financial impacts on property owners and service providers, additional fiscal analysis would be needed.		
	The permitted capacity and average flow volume of the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) is described in Chapter 4. The City has indicated that the WWTP can be expanded to meet future projected increases in demand. However, the existing sewer pipeline infrastructure currently serves about half of the city. Extending the sewer pipelines beyond the city limits may be cost prohibitive and a detailed engineering and cost study is recommended before this is contemplated.		
	The Napa County Fire Department provides fire protection to Study Area #1 and mutual aid agreements indicate that the City of Calistoga is sometimes the first responder to this area. Please see section 4.1.5 for more information on fire protection services and mutual aid agreements. The Napa County Sheriff provides police protection to Study Area #1 and mutual aid agreements indicate that the City of Calistoga is sometimes the first responder to this area. Please see section 4.1.4 for more information on police protection services and mutual aid agreements. Calistoga appears to be sufficiently reimbursed for its costs associated with police and fire service to this area.		
	Prior to considering future annexation, a detailed fiscal analysis of future tax revenue would be needed to determine if additional public services can be provided at an adequate level. Various fees for service might increase or decrease. For example, the City currently receives a fee for service when responding to fire related calls in the unincorporated area. When an area is annexed, the City would no longer receive this fee. This fiscal analysis should also consider potential difference in taxes a property owner would potentially need to pay if annexed.		
The existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area	The City incorporated in 1886 and has a long history as an established community. As described in Chapter 3, the City provided supplemental information indicating that an economically disadvantaged community resides within the City boundaries.		
The present and probable need for water, sewer and structural fire protection of any DUC within the existing	No DUCs have been identified within Study Area #1.		

Table 7-1: Analysis of Study Area #1					
Issue	Comments				
SOI					
Effects on other agencies	Including Study Area #1 in the SOI as a stand-alone action would not likely affect other agencies. However, if this area were to eventually be annexed, some agencies that provide services to this area, such as the Napa County Sheriff and the Napa County Fire Department could see a reduction in service demand. Other agencies such as Caltrans could see an increase in service demand.				
Policy Considerations	 The following Napa County policies should be considered: Napa County General Plan, including policies related to agricultural protection; Measure J, approved by voters in 1990, is the Agricultural Lands Preservation Initiative; and Measure P, approved by voters in 2008, extends the life of Measure J through to the year 2058. Please see the description of Agricultural Preservation written in the above pages of Chapter 7 for additional detail on agricultural policy considerations. 				
Potential for consolidations	The City's existing SOI does not divide communities.				
or other reorganizations when boundaries divide communities	Study Area #1 is adjacent to the existing city boundary. There are no topographic or geographic barriers between the City and Study Area #1.				
Location of facilities, infrastructure and natural features	The location of the WWTP is south of the City, whereas Study Area #1 is north of the city. Extending the sewer pipelines to Study Area #1 may be cost prohibitive. Additional study of cost is needed prior to formal consideration of this option.				
Willingness to serve	The City wishes to continue to provide water service within Study Area #1 and it wishes to continue its participation in mutual aid agreements for fire and police protection arrangements that provide service to this area. However, it has not expressed a willingness to assume responsibility for wastewater service, land use planning, building inspection and other public services to this area. An annexation plan and a plan for future services have not been contemplated for study area #1.				
Potential environmental impacts	The City received Cease and Desist Orders from the San Francisco Water Board due to contaminants in its WWTP effluent. The City complied with these requirements and a new permit was issued in 2016. However, further study would be needed to determine if the WWTP has sufficient capacity to extend the sewer service outside the City's current jurisdictional boundary.				
	If the parcels are slated for future development, other potential environmental impacts could include traffic, water quality, and air quality impacts.				
	Environmental review in compliance with CEQA should be required prior				

Table 7-1: Analysis of Study Area #1			
Issue Comments			
	to moving this study area into the City's sphere of influence. This environmental review should include a detailed policy analysis, including Measures J and P and policies of Napa County, and the City.		

Table 7-2: Analysis of Study Area #2					
Issue	Comments				
Parcel Numbers	Study Area #2 is 57.4 acres in size and contains 21 parcels. The Assessor Parcel Numbers are as follows:				
	17-200-006-000, 017-200-009-000, 017-200-010-000, 017-200-011-000, 017-200-012-000, 017-200-013-000, 017-210-001-000, 017-210-002-000, 017-240-005-000, 017-250-001-000, 017-250-002-000, 017-250-003-000, 017-250-004-000, 017-250-005-000, 017-250-006-000, 017-250-007-000, 017-250-008-000, 017-250-009-000, 017-250-014-000, 017-250-015-000, and 017-200-014-000				
Location	Study Area #2 is located north of White Lane and the east and west of Foothill Boulevard (Hwy 128).				
Services Provided	The City currently provides municipal water service to properties within Study Area #2. Police protection and fire protection services are provided by the City and the County through mutual aid agreements.				
Present and planned land uses in the area	19 of the parcels currently contain a single family home. One parcel has a small commercial establishment. A different parcel contains a bed and breakfast establishment.				
	The City's 2015 General Plan states "The City has no intention of annexing any area outside of the current city limits, and the City's Sphere of Influence is coterminous with the city limits." The City General Plan does not contemplate the development of or designate land uses for Study Area #2. Additionally, the City has not pre-zoned the parcels within Study Area #2.				
	Since these parcels lie within the unincorporated area, the Napa County General Plan and Zoning Ordinance serve as the guide for land use decisions. The Napa County Zoning designations for the parcels are as follows:				
	 8 parcels totaling 22.94 acres are designated as Agricultural Preservation District (AP). 1 parcel totaling 1.61 acres is designated as Commercial 				
	Neighborhood (CN) District. 12 parcels totaling 33 acres are designated as Agricultural				
	Watershed (AW) District. The Napa County General Plan designation for the 17 parcels is Agricultural Resource (AR).				

Table 7-2: Analysis of Study Area #2					
Issue	Comments				
Potential effects on agricultural and open-space lands	Of the 57.4 acres within this study area, most (55.79 acres) is zoned for agriculture. The State Dept. of Conservation Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program designates a portion of Study Area #2 as "Farmland of Local Importance". Including Study Area #2 into the city's SOI and boundary could result in removing agricultural soils from production				
Present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area	The City currently provides municipal water service to properties within Study Area #2. Police protection and fire protection services are provided by the City and the County through mutual aid agreements. Future extension of wastewater service or other public services to Study #2 have not been contemplated.				
Present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services	The parcels located within Study Area #2 currently receive municipal water from the City. Due to resource constraints, LAFCO has recommended that the City conduct studies of future water supply options. Parcels in Study Area #2 may currently pay an out-of-boundary rate for water service and this rate may change if the area were to be annexed. To ascertain financial impacts on property owners and service providers, additional fiscal analysis would be needed.				
	The permitted capacity and average flow volume of the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) are described in Chapter 4. The City has indicated that the WWTP can be expanded to meet future projected increases in demand. However, the existing sewer pipeline infrastructure currently serves about half of the city. Extending the sewer pipelines beyond the city limits may be cost prohibitive and a detailed engineering and cost study is recommended before this is contemplated.				
	The Napa County Fire Department provides fire protection to Study Area #2 and mutual aid agreements indicate that the City of Calistoga is sometimes the first responder to this area. Please see section 4.1.5 for more information on fire protection services and mutual aid agreements. The Napa County Sheriff provides police protection to Study Area #2 and mutual aid agreements indicate that the City of Calistoga is sometimes the first responder to this area. Please see section 4.1.4 for more information on police protection services and mutual aid agreements. Calistoga appears to be sufficiently reimbursed for its costs associated with police and fire service to this area.				

Table 7-2: Analysis of Study Area #2				
Issue	Comments			
Continued Present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services				
The existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area	The City incorporated in 1886 and has a long history as an established community. As described in Chapter 3, the City provided supplemental information indicating that an economically disadvantaged community resides within the City boundaries.			
The present and probable need for water, sewer and structural fire protection of any DUC within the existing SOI	No DUCs have been identified within Study Area #2.			
Effects on other agencies	Including Study Area #2 in the SOI as a stand-alone action would not likely affect other agencies. However, if this area were to eventually be annexed, some agencies that provide services to this area, such as the Napa County Sheriff and the Napa County Fire Department could see a reduction in service demand. Other agencies such as Caltrans could see an increase in service demand.			
Policy Considerations	The following Napa County policies should be considered: Napa County General Plan, including policies related to agricultural protection; Measure J, approved by voters in 1990, is the Agricultural Lands Preservation Initiative; and Measure P, approved by voters in 2008, extends the life of Measure J through to the year 2058. Please see the description of Agricultural Preservation written in the above pages of Chapter 7 for additional detail on agricultural policy considerations.			
Potential for consolidations or other reorganizations when boundaries divide communities	The City's existing boundary and SOI do not divide communities. Study Area #2 is adjacent to the existing city boundary. There are no topographic or geographic barriers between the City and Study Area #2.			
Location of facilities, infrastructure and natural features	The location of the WWTP is south of the City, whereas Study Area #2 is north of the city. Extending the sewer pipelines to Study Area #2 may be cost prohibitive. Additional study of cost is needed prior to formal consideration of this option.			

Table 7-2: Analysis of Study Area #2					
Issue	Comments				
Willingness to serve	The City wishes to continue to provide water service within Study Area #2 and it wishes to continue its participation in mutual aid agreements for fire and police protection arrangements that provide service to this area. However, it has not expressed a willingness to assume responsibility for wastewater service, land use planning, building inspection and other public services to this area. An annexation plan and a plan for future services have not been contemplated for study area #2.				
Potential environmental impacts	The City received Cease and Desist Orders from the San Francisco Water Board due to contaminants in its WWTP effluent. The City complied with these requirements and a new permit was issued in 2016. However, further study would be needed to determine if the WWTP has sufficient capacity to extend the sewer service outside the City's current jurisdictional boundary.				
	Environmental review in compliance with CEQA should be required prior to moving this study area into the City's sphere of influence. This environmental review should include a detailed policy analysis, including Measures J and P and policies of Napa County, and the City. If the parcels are slated for future development, other potential environmental impacts could include traffic, water quality, and air quality impacts.				

Table 7-3: Analysis of Study Area #3					
Issue	Comments				
Parcel Numbers	Study Area #3 is 51.28 acres in size and contains 4 parcels. The Assessor Parcel Numbers are as follows: 1017-230-004-000, 017-230-005-000, 017-230-007-000, 017-230-028-000				
Location	Study Area #3 is located east of Lincoln Avenue, adjacent to and directly east of the City.				
Services Provided	The City currently provides municipal water service to properties within Study Area #3. Police protection and fire protection services are provided by the City and the County through mutual aid agreements.				
Present and planned land uses in the area	Each of the four parcels is currently developed with a single family home. The smallest parcel is 2.14 acres and the largest parcel is 23.32 acres in size.				
	The City's 2015 General Plan states "The City has no intention of annexing any area outside of the current city limits, and the City's Sphere of Influence is coterminous with the city limits." The City General Plan does not contemplate the development of or designate land uses for Study Area #3. Additionally, the City has not pre-zoned the parcels within Study Area #3.				
	Since these parcels lie within the unincorporated area, the Napa County General Plan and Zoning Ordinance serve as the guide for land use decisions. The Napa County Zoning designations for the parcels are as follows:				
	 Two parcels totaling 23.82 acres are designated as Agricultural Preservation District (AP). Two parcels totaling 27.46 acres are designated as Agricultural Watershed (AW) District. The Napa County General Plan designation for the 17 parcels is Agricultural Resource (AR). 				
Potential effects on agricultural and open-space lands	All of the 51.28 acres within this study area is zoned for agriculture. The State Dept. of Conservation Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program designates a portion of Study Area #4 as "Prime Farmland" and another portion as "Unique Farmland". Including Study Area #3 into the city's SOI and boundary could result in removing agricultural soils from production				
Present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area	The City currently provides municipal water service to properties within Study Area #3. Police protection and fire protection services are provided by the City and the County through mutual aid agreements. Future extension of wastewater service or other public services to Study #3 have not been contemplated.				

Table 7-3: Analysis of Study Area #3					
Issue Comments					
Present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services	The parcels located within Study Area #3 currently receive municipal water from the City. Due to resource constraints, LAFCO has recommended that the City conduct studies of future water supply options. Parcels in Study Area #3 may currently pay an out-of-boundary rate for water service and this rate may change if the area were to be annexed. To ascertain financial impacts on property owners and service providers, additional fiscal analysis would be needed.				
	The permitted capacity and average flow volume of the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) are described in Chapter 4. The City has indicated that the WWTP can be expanded to meet future projected increases in demand. However, the existing sewer pipeline infrastructure currently serves about half of the city. Extending the sewer pipelines beyond the city limits may be cost prohibitive and a detailed engineering and cost study is recommended before this is contemplated.				
	The Napa County Fire Department provides fire protection to Study Area #3 and mutual aid agreements indicate that the City of Calistoga is sometimes the first responder to this area. Please see section 4.1.5 for more information on fire protection services and mutual aid agreements. The Napa County Sheriff provides police protection to Study Area #3 and mutual aid agreements indicate that the City of Calistoga is sometimes the first responder to this area. Please see section 4.1.4 for more information on police protection services and mutual aid agreements. Calistoga appears to be sufficiently reimbursed for its costs associated with police and fire service to this area.				
	Prior to considering future annexation, a detailed fiscal analysis of future tax revenue would be needed to determine if additional public services can be provided at an adequate level. Various fees for service might increase or decrease. For example, the City currently receives a fee for service when responding to fire related calls in the unincorporated area. When an area is annexed, the City would no longer receive this fee. This fiscal analysis should also consider potential difference in taxes a property owner would potentially need to pay if annexed.				
The existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area	The City incorporated in 1886 and has a long history as an established community. As described in Chapter 3, the City provided supplemental information indicating that an economically disadvantaged community resides within the City boundaries.				
The present and probable need for water, sewer and structural fire protection of	No DUCs have been identified within Study Area #3.				

Table 7-3: Analysis of Study Area #3					
Issue	Comments				
any DUC within the existing SOI					
Effects on other agencies	Including Study Area #1 in the SOI as a stand-alone action would not like affect other agencies. However, if this area were to eventually be annexed, some agencies that provide services to this area, such as the Napa County Sheriff and the Napa County Fire Department could see a reduction in service demand. Other agencies such as Caltrans could see an increase in service demand.				
Policy Considerations	 The following Napa County policies should be considered: Napa County General Plan, including policies related to agricultural protection; Measure J, approved by voters in 1990, is the Agricultural Lands Preservation Initiative; and Measure P, approved by voters in 2008, extends the life of Measure J through to the year 2058. Please see the description of agricultural preservation written in the above pages of Chapter 7 for additional detail on agricultural policy considerations. 				
Potential for consolidations or other reorganizations when boundaries divide communities	The City's existing SOI does not divide communities. Study Area #3 is adjacent to the existing city boundary. There are no topographic or geographic barriers between the City and Study Area #4.				
Location of facilities, infrastructure and natural features	Extending the sewer pipelines to Study Area #3 may be cost prohibitive. Additional study of cost is needed prior to formal consideration of this option.				
Willingness to serve	The City wishes to continue to provide water service within Study Area #3 and it wishes to continue its participation in mutual aid agreements for fire and police protection arrangements that provide service to this area. However, it has not expressed a willingness to assume responsibility for wastewater service, land use planning, building inspection and other public services to this area. An annexation plan and a plan for future services have not been contemplated for study area #3.				
Potential environmental impacts	The City received Cease and Desist Orders from the San Francisco Water Board due to contaminants in its WWTP effluent. The City complied with these requirements and a new permit was issued in 2016. However, further study would be needed to determine if the WWTP has sufficient capacity to extend the sewer service outside the City's current jurisdictional boundary.				
	Environmental review in compliance with CEQA should be required prior to moving this study area into the City's sphere of influence. This environmental review should include a detailed policy analysis, including Measures J and P and policies of Napa County, and the City. If the parcels are slated for future development, other potential environmental impacts could include traffic, water quality, and air quality impacts.				

SOI OPTIONS

Sphere of Influence Options

Four preliminary options have been identified for potential future action regarding the City of Calistoga Sphere of Influence, as listed below. The Commission may consider each option individually or may combine two or three options to form a new SOI plan. These options are intended to provide the Commission with examples of the types of actions that could be taken in regards to the SOI. It is not intended to be a comprehensive or all-inclusive list of potential actions. If the Commission has a suggestion for a new or different option, they may direct staff to further study that new option. The four preliminary options are as follows:

- A. Retain the Existing Sphere of Influence
- B. Transfer Study Area #1 into the Sphere of Influence
- C. Transfer Study Area #2 into the Sphere of Influence
- D. Transfer Study Area #3 into the Sphere of Influence

Discussion of Preliminary Options

A. Retain the Existing Sphere of Influence

If Napa LAFCO determines that the existing SOI and jurisdictional boundary are appropriate to provide public services, then the existing Sphere of Influence should be retained. Under this option the City would continue to provide existing public services within its City boundary. The City would also continue to provide water, police, and fire service to specific parcels located outside its jurisdictional boundary. AB 402 (Dodd) facilitates this approach by allowing cities to provide services to parcels located outside their jurisdictional boundary and SOI. The existing SOI allows sufficient opportunities for infill development, as the City has 95 vacant acres, as shown in Table 3-1,

B. Transfer Study Area #1 into the Sphere of Influence

Transfer Study Area #1 (shown in Figure 7-1, above) into the Sphere of Influence. This option would expand the City's SOI to add 107+ acres. The area would not necessarily be annexed into the City immediately. Rather, including this area into the SOI indicates that the City may annex the area at some future time, after the appropriate cost analysis, environmental, plan for service, and other studies have been completed. Upon annexation, it is also likely that the existing land uses (i.e. one single-family residence) would change to allow higher density residential development and this change could bring along associated traffic, air quality, solid waste, storm drainage changes.

An increased demand for public facilities and services is inherent in urban settings and if Study Area #1 were to be annexed into the City increased public service would become necessary. However, at this early state, inclusion of a study area into a sphere of influence would have no immediate impact on the type and level of services now being provided by the County to residents in the unincorporated area. Expansion of a sphere of influence will, however, provide the City of Calistoga with suitable assurance and means to properly plan for the most cost-efficient manner of adequate service provision.

Prior to including Study Area #1 into the Sphere of Influence, the Commission may wish to obtain additional study of potential fiscal, policy, public service, environmental, and agricultural impacts. For annexations, LAFCO has limited authority and could only recommend the City initiate annexation proceedings.

C. <u>Transfer Study Area #2 into the Sphere of Influence</u>

Similar to Option #B above, this option would transfer Study Area #2 (shown in Figure 7-1, above) into the Sphere of Influence. This option would expand the City's SOI to add 57.4 acres. Study Area #2 would not necessarily be annexed into the City immediately. Rather, including this area into the SOI indicates that the City may annex the area at some future time, after the appropriate cost analysis, environmental, plan for service, and other studies have been completed. Upon annexation, it is also likely that the existing land uses (i.e. one single-family residence) would change to allow higher density residential development and this change could bring along associated traffic, air quality, solid waste, storm drainage changes.

An increased demand for public facilities and services is inherent in urban settings and if Study Area #2 were to be annexed into the City increased public service would become necessary. However, at this early state, inclusion of a study area into a sphere of influence would have no immediate impact on the type and level of services now being provided by the County to residents in the unincorporated area. Expansion of a sphere of influence will, however, provide the City of Calistoga with suitable assurance and means to properly plan for the most cost-efficient manner of adequate service provision.

Prior to including Study Area #2 into the Sphere of Influence, the Commission may wish to obtain additional study of potential fiscal, policy, public service, environmental, and agricultural impacts. For annexations, LAFCO has limited authority and could only recommend the City initiate annexation proceedings.

D. Transfer Study Area #3 into the Sphere of Influence

Transfer Study Area #3 (shown in Figure 7-1, above and in detail below) into the Sphere of Influence and expand the City's SOI to add 51.28 acres. Study Area #3 would not necessarily be annexed into the City immediately. Rather, including this area into the SOI indicates that the City may annex the area at some future time, after the appropriate cost analysis, environmental, plan for service, and other studies have been completed. Upon annexation, it is also likely that the existing land uses (i.e. one single-family residence) would change to allow higher density residential development and this change could bring along associated traffic, air quality, solid waste, storm drainage changes.

An increased demand for public facilities and services is inherent in urban settings and if Study Area #3 were to be annexed into the City increased public service would become necessary. However, at this early state, inclusion of a study area into a sphere of influence would have no immediate impact on the type and level of services now being provided by the County to residents in the unincorporated area. Prior to including Study Area #3 into the Sphere of Influence, the Commission may wish to obtain additional study of potential fiscal, policy, public service, environmental, and agricultural impacts.

Expansion of a sphere of influence will, however, provide the City of Calistoga with suitable assurance and means to properly plan for the most cost-efficient manner of adequate service provision. For annexations, LAFCO has limited authority and could only recommend the City initiate annexation proceedings.

Analysis of Tradeoffs

At their July 18, 2016 meeting, the Commission requested that the consultant provide additional analysis of tradeoffs regarding the decision to either include or exclude Study Areas from the City's SOI. The consultant's analysis of tradeoffs presented in Table 7-4, below is applicable to each of the three study areas.

Table 7-4: Preliminary Analysis of Potential Tradeoffs Associated with including Study Areas in the SOI.				
	Inclusion	Exclusion	Insufficient	
Tradeoff	Factor	Factor	information	Notes
The geographic proximity of Study Areas #1, 2 and 3 are such that they are adjacent to the City boundary	X			
Parcels located within Study Areas likely contain agricultural uses and/or soils		X		Yes. Parcels likely contain agricultural uses. Consistent

			with local policies,
			this is a potential
			exclusion factor.
Future development potential in			
the Study Areas has been			
evaluated		Χ	
Amount of existing vacant or			Calistoga has
underdeveloped land located			sufficient vacant
within an affected agency's			land to accommodate
jurisdiction	X		infill development.
			The City provides
			water service to
			parcels within the
			Study Areas.
			However, capacity to
			expand wastewater infrastructure to
			serve area has not
Service provision		X	been demonstrated.
Financial effects on other			Deen demonstrated.
agencies		Χ	
Financial effects on property			
owners within the Study Area		Χ	
Area is expected to be developed			
for urban uses or require urban-			
type services within the next 10			
years		Χ	
Consistency with County			
General Plan and City General			See tables 7.1, 7.2,
Plan	X		and 7.3 for details.
			Not applicable.
			Calistoga does not
			have an adopted
Adopted Urban Growth			urban growth
boundary			boundary.
Would vacant or underdeveloped			Yes. Consistent with
land that requires the extension			LAFCO policy, this is
of urban facilities, utilities, and			a potential exclusion
services be added to the SOI?	X		factor.
City and County agree that Study			Insufficient
Areas should be added to SOI.	X		Information.

Consultant Recommendation

The consultants recommend that the LAFCO staff and the Commission consider the following when selecting any of the SOI options:

- LAFCO's adopted policies.
- All of the information presented in this MSR/SOI Update.
- .City staff response to LAFCO's request for information in March 2016 indicated that at that time, no change to Calistoga's Sphere of Influence was contemplated. Additionally, the City's General Plan does not describe future expansion of the City's SOI.
- If the Commission wishes to pursue Options B, C, or D, please ask staff to prepare a list of studies that should be prepared prior to SOI expansion and prior to annexation. Documentation of the process to SOI expansion and annexation is also recommended.

Additionally, the consultants recommend that the Commission carefully consider each of the four options presented above. After the Commission provides direction to staff regarding the preferred option, formal determinations will be provided for the Commission's consideration as described below.

7.2: DRAFT SOI DETERMINATIONS: OPTION #A

In order to carry out its purposes and responsibilities for planning and shaping the logical and orderly development and coordination of local governmental agencies to advantageously provide for the present and future needs of the County and its communities, LAFCO is required to develop and determine the sphere of influence of each local governmental agency within the county. The CKH recommends that a SOI be updated every five years. As part of this process and pursuant to CA Government Code Sections 56425-56434, the Commission is required to make specific written determinations on five factors as follows:

- 1. Present and planned land uses in the area, including agricultural and open-space lands.
- 2. Present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area.
- 3. Present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide.
- 4. Existence of social or economic communities of interest in the area if the Commission determines that they are relevant to the agency.
- 5. Present and Probable need for Public Facilities and Services of Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities.

Chapters 1-6 of this MSR/SOI Update provide sufficient factual information to support the Commission's determinations for the five SOI factors listed above. Chapter 7 of this MSR/SOI Update provides a detailed analysis of four options for updating the sphere of influence for the City of Calistoga. Each of these four options plus other options may be considered by the

Commission. The Commission may request additional information regarding the options, as needed.

This section provides draft SOI determinations for Option #A and these determinations will be modified to fit the specific option that the Commission chooses. The provision of draft determinations for Option #A should not be construed as a recommendation from the consulting team in favor of Option #A; rather these determinations serve as a starting point for discussion with the Commission. These draft SOI determinations are provided to exemplify the type of determinations the Commission could potentially make in the future. After the Commission provides feedback to LAFCO's Executive Officer regarding the SOI options, the Executive Officer may develop formal SOI determinations based on the required five factors to fit the Commission's specific option. The final determinations will be part of a Resolution that the Commission formally adopts during a public meeting.

The present and planned land uses in the sphere, including agricultural and open-space lands.

- 1. The present and planned land uses in the sphere are adequately contemplated under the Calistoga General Plan. The Calistoga General Plan provides for the current and future urban uses characterizing the majority of the sphere.
- 2. Present land uses within the SOI include residential and commercial uses. A small amount of land located in the sphere is under agricultural use. These existing agricultural uses will not be affected by their retention in the sphere.
- 3. The territory within Calistoga provides several opportunities for infill development and SOI expansion is not necessary.

The present and probable need for public facilities and services in the study area.

- 4. The City of Calistoga provides a full range of municipal services within the sphere either directly or through contracts with other public or private entities. These public services support the present and planned urban uses within the sphere as contemplated in the Calistoga General Plan.
- 5. Undeveloped and unincorporated parcels located adjacent to the City do not need traditional urban services, as most of the area is currently agricultural.

The present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide.

6. Calistoga has demonstrated its ability to provide an adequate level and range of public services within its sphere of influence. The City has developed policies, service plans, and programs to provide adequate and effective municipal services for the

area. These public services were comprehensively evaluated by LAFCO as part the municipal service review update provided in Chapters 1-6 of this document.

The existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the sphere if the commission determines that they are relevant to the agency.

- 7. The City of Calistoga has established social and economic interdependencies within the sphere that are distinct from neighboring unincorporated areas. This MSR/SOI Update acknowledges these established community ties.
- 8. The social and economic health of the area is measurably enhanced by the municipal services provided by the City of Calistoga.

Present and Probable need for Public Facilities and Services of Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities.

9. No disadvantaged unincorporated communities meeting the definition under State law have been identified anywhere in Napa County. Since Calistoga is an incorporated city, there are no unincorporated communities within its boundaries and sphere of influence. Disadvantaged community status is described in detail in chapter 3.3.

Chapter 8: Comments received and responses to comments

The Draft MSR Update for the City of Calistoga was posted to LAFCO's website for public review on June 30, 2016. The public comment period closed on August 1, 2016. The Draft MSR Update was considered by the Commission during a public meeting on July 18, 2016. During the public meeting, the Commission offered several comments on the draft document. Also, at that time, the public was encouraged to provide comments for staff to review and possibly incorporate into the final document. Four comment letters were received during the public comment period as listed below.

- 1. Leanne Link (e-mail dated July 22)
- 2. Paul and Yuan D'Antilio (letter dated July 29)
- 3. Stephanie Sheridan (letter dated August 1)
- 4. Calistoga Planning Dept. (.pdf dated August 2) misc. edits
- 5. Calistoga Public Works Dept. (.pdf dated August 17) misc. edits
- 6. Comments from LAFCO during public meeting July 18, 2016

The comments and the consultant's responses to those comments are provided on the following pages of this chapter.

Comment #1: Leanne Link (e-mail dated July 22)

From: Link, Leanne

Sent: Friday, July 22, 2016 10:26 AM

To: Freeman, Brendon

Subject: Comment on Calistoga MSR/SOI Draft Report

Brendon,

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for the City of Calistoga.

I recommend that the consultants from Swale interview Napa County Sheriff John Robertson and Napa County Fire Chief Barry Biermann for their perspective on police and fire services in the City of Calistoga. While the report touches on the contract and mutual aid services provided by Calistoga, the report does not address or include the mutual aid support provided to the City of Calistoga by the County of Napa. We believe this information, including a financial analysis of the value of these services, should be included in the final report.

Please contact me with questions.

Sincerely,

Leanne Link Assistant County Executive Officer Napa County Executive Office 1195 3rd Street, Suite 310 Napa, CA 94559 (707) 253-4406

Response to Comment #1

The consultants have prepared a response to comment #1 from Leanne Link (e-mail dated July 22):

Thank you for providing comments on the Draft MSR Update on the City of Calistoga. The consultants spoke via telephone with Fire Chief Barry Biermann on September 15, 2016. Chief Biermann explained the contract for services that Napa County Fire Department has with the City of Calistoga. Based on that information, the consultants provided additional detail regarding mutual aid arrangements in section 4.1.5 Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services of the MSR.

The consultants also spoke with representatives of the County Sheriff's Department, Captain Keith Behlmer on September 15, 2016 and the consultants reviewed the Sheriff's Year End Report for 2011 available on-line at: http://www.countyofnapa.org/Pages/DepartmentDocuments.aspx?id=4294967467>. Based on information received from Captain Behlmer and the Year End Report, a new paragraph entitled "Mutual Aid -Police Protection" has been added to Section_4.1.4: Law Enforcement Services. Mutual aid agreements with Napa County Sheriff and Napa County Fire Department have also been added to the list of non-city services in Table 2.1 of the MSR.

It is recognized that Napa County provides social and financial value to Calistoga (and viceversa) in relation to the provision of police and fire protection services. However, a detailed financial analysis is beyond the scope of this report. The Commission has the authority to request this type of study prior to any action on changes to a sphere of influence or annexation.

Comment #2:	Paul and Yuan D'Antilio (letter dated July 29)		

July 29, 2016

1419 Greenwood Ave Calistoga CA 94515

650.644.8520

Brendon Freeman Local Agency Formation Commission of Napa County 1030 Seminary Street, Suite B Napa, California 94559

RE: Comments for "Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for the City of Calistoga"

Dear Mr. Freeman,

We are long time homeowners of the property at 1419 Greenwood Ave in Calistoga. We previously requested Calistoga City water service through LAFCO in September of 2015. We are still working on the process to get the appropriate municipalities to make a health impact determination and help us secure LAFCO's assistance to enable access to Calistoga City water.

We would like to make a specific request to the "Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for the City of Calistoga". We also had a question relative to the current draft document.

Our specific request is that we would like our property to be included in one of the proposed "spheres of influence" for the draft document. Following are the reasons we wish to be included:

- 1) Public health and water access. As we detailed in our request from September of 2015 our well drinking water has boron concentration levels 20 times over what is considered "safe" for drinking water. In addition our drinking water has boron concentrations 2 times the level the State of California recommends for decommissioning a drinking well. We are currently in the middle of navigating three different government agencies in addition to LAFCO to secure safe, healthy water access. As you can imagine for a family with two small children that are at greatly increased long-term health risk due to the water quality this is a huge burden. Being included in the Sphere of Influence for the city of Calistoga would help remedy the political situation. Access to clean, safe drinking water shouldn't be impacted by local politics. The services are readily available and run right down the middle of our street. Only local politics are preventing us from having safe, healthy water for our children and us.
 - Public safety and fire protection. We recently had a large fire that started on Tubbs
 Lane and many properties were in jeopardy. Fortunately the fire was contained before

it spread to the residences in our neighborhood. However, this was a lucky break based on wind speed and direction. We personally keep over 12,000 gallons of standing water on our property and our neighbors Envy Winery also have individual fire protection. However, these individual efforts are not adequate given the risk profile and population density of the neighborhood. There must be adequate Calistoga City provided hydrants and Calistoga City provided fire equipment to ensure proper fire safety in the future. Anecdotally I have heard of a major casualty insurance company that is no longer writing property insurance for our neighborhood due to the impact of the Lake County fire last year.

3) Other city services and representation. The currently proposed boundaries almost appear to be gerrymandered to specifically exclude our property and several neighboring properties. Study Area 1 surrounds us on the east and north and Study Area 2 is our western border. So we are surrounded on all sides by the city of Calistoga (southern side of Greenwood Ave) and the two proposed additions to the service areas. The thirteen parcel area excluded from the proposed study areas have the same or greater population density as the adjacent city and study areas. They also have similar profile in that they are mostly residential properties with very limited agricultural uses and value. It seems impossible that my neighbors on all four sides can get city services and have local representation while my property and several neighboring properties sit completely surrounded by the City of Calistoga and the proposed study areas. We are much or more a "part of Calistoga" than some of the other proposed study areas.

Our question is relative to page 2-5 of the Calistoga MSR-SOI Draft Report. It appears that there are a number of county land annexations by the City of Calistoga that were never properly recorded. It also appears that one or more of these abandoned transactions could impact our property. The report states that neither the CA State Board of Equalization nor LAFCO has resolved these issues. Will this issue be addressed as part of the study? Is there the potential that these boundaries can be established and recorded as part of the process?

Thank you for your assistance and please let us know if this is the correct format for making this request. Also please let us know what if any additional steps are required.

Best regards,

Paul and Yuan D'Antilio 1419 Greenwood Ave 650.644.8520

Response to Comment #2

The consultants have prepared a response to comment #2 from Paul and Yuan D'Antilio (letter dated July 29):

Comment #2-1: Request property be included in a proposed sphere of influence.

Response to comment #2-1: Thank you for providing comments on the Draft MSR Update on the City of Calistoga. The referenced parcel is not within Calistoga's existing sphere of influence (SOI). The Draft MSR does not present any proposed changes to the existing SOI; rather it presents study areas only for analytical purposes. Neither LAFCO nor Calistoga has proposed any amendment to the SOI for Calistoga. The study areas were chosen based on a number of specific factors, most notable (1) existing outside-City water service connections and (2) geographic proximity to the existing City boundary and others as described in Chapter 7. 1419 Greenwood Avenue did not fit the criteria used to draw the study areas. All parcels included in a study area currently receive water from the City. The parcel at 1419 Greenwood Avenue does not currently receive water from the City. Therefore, it does not meet the criteria to be included in a study area at this time.

Comment #2-2: Public health and water access.

Response to comment #2-2: We are very sorry to learn of the high level of boron in the groundwater accessed by a privately owned well. Page 2-7 of the MSR describes Assembly Bill (AB) 4022 which created a five-year pilot program for Napa and San Bernardino Counties that establishes a mechanism for the Commission to authorize service provision outside a local agency's jurisdictional boundary and sphere of influence under special circumstances. This pilot program may offer you a potential avenue to ask the City of Calistoga for service. Please note however that Chapter 4 (pages 4-7 through 4-15) of the MSR describes Calistoga's water supply and water demand. These pages reference data and studies indicating that water supply in Calistoga is a limited resource and LAFCO has recommended that the City further study options for future water supplies. We suggest you work directly with the City of Calistoga as there are complex resource limitations and policy implications that would need additional study to respond to your situation.

Generally, private well owners are responsible for testing and, if necessary, treating their water to ensure it is safe to drink. Water treatment methods that can remove boron from drinking water may include reverse osmosis, distillation, anion exchange units and adsorption with magnesium and we encourage you to investigate these methods. The Napa County Environmental Health Department, Napa County Groundwater Advisory Committee, and the California State Water Resources Control Board Groundwater Ambient Monitoring and Assessment (GAMA) Program also have information about private well use and you may wish to contact these agencies for details. Other water supply options that may merit additional

research by private property owners in the area include formation of a mutual water company, water trucking services²², and/or delivery of bottled water.

Comment #2-3, Public safety and fire protection.

Response to comment #2-3: Thank you for providing information on the recent large fire that started on Tubbs Lane. This comment is noted. Section 4.1.5 of the MSR describes Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services in the City of Calistoga. Since your parcel is currently located outside of the City, fire protection service is provided by Napa County Fire Department and CALFIRE and is coordinated with the City of Calistoga through various mutual aid agreements and contractual arrangements. Section 4.1.5 of the MSR correctly notes that the area near Calistoga, including the Howell Mountain and Mayacamas Mountain ridges surrounding the Valley, have historically burned. The standards that Napa County Fire Department uses for hydrant placement incorporates nationally-accepted standards and subsequent revisions developed by the National Fire Protection Association, American Water Works Association, and other professional organizations. The Napa County Fire Department is the best local agency to address your concerns.

Comment #2-4, Other City services and representation

Response to Comment #2-4: The study areas were chosen based on a number of specific factors, most notable (1) existing outside-City water service connections and (2) geographic proximity to the existing City boundary and other criteria listed in Chapter 7. The parcel located at 1419 Greenwood Ave. does not meet these criteria for inclusion within a study area, at this time. Social or cultural connection to the City of Calistoga was not utilized as a criterion for inclusion in a study area. Please refer to Chapter 7 of the MSR/SOI Update for additional information. Please note that the purpose of a study area is only to draw a bounded area for analytical purposes in this specific MSR/SOI Update. A parcel located within a study area does not receive any special benefit; it only received additional scrutiny and analysis within the MSR/SOI document. Neither LAFCO nor Calistoga has proposed any amendment to the SOI for Calistoga. The unincorporated areas of Napa County are sufficiently represented by the Napa County Board of Supervisors and the various public service departments within Napa County.

Comment #2-5, Annexations were never properly recorded.

Response to Comment #2-5: This comment references Table 2-3: Approved Jurisdictional Changes involving the City of Calistoga. The annexations were proposed and abandoned over 44+ years ago as described in detail in Section 2.3 of the 2016 MSR/SOI Update and as described in the 2008 MSR for Calistoga. Since nothing was ever recorded, those proposals remain dead. All available information on this subject has been provided in Chapter 2 of the MSR/SOI Update.

²² Please note that trucked water leaving the City limits could potentially be a violation of GC Section 56133. Each city may develop their own policy regarding trucked water that limits the amount of this type of water use. A staff report to a proposed (example) policy on trucked water is provided at: http://www.napa.lafco.ca.gov/uploads/documents/12-1-14_7g_TruckedWater.pdf

Comment #3:	Stephanie Sheridan (letter dated August 1)



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August 1, 2016, 2016

Brendon Freeman Local Agency Formation Commission of Napa County 1030 Seminary Street, Suite B Napa, California 94559

Re: Request for 1403 Greenwood Avenue Calistoga to be Included Within the Sphere of Influence to get Calistoga City Water

Dear Mr. Freeman:

We are longtime property homeowners of 1403 Greenwood Avenue in Calistoga. As you know, we have been very concerned about the quality of the water on our property for some time. We are therefore very pleased to be made aware of the current study underway by LAFCO to evaluate water needs and potential restructuring of spheres in our area, and submit this request as part of the public commentary process.

Our property, for reasons increasingly unclear to us, does not have access to City of Calistoga water (even though we are surrounded by properties that do have City water). After having paid out of pocket last year to have our well-water tested by an outside agency, and learning it had unacceptable levels of boron (indeed, at levels that the EPA recommends *decommissioning* the well), we previously requested Calistoga City water service through LAFCO in 2015. At that same time, we also provided our water test results. (Please let me know if you need additional copies of those previously submitted materials.) Since that time, we have continued to work on the process of obtaining assistance from the appropriate municipalities to make a health impact determination in order to secure LAFCO's recommendation to enable us access to Calistoga City water. Indeed, over the past 18 months, we have been in the middle of navigating *three* different government agencies (including the State, the County, and the City) in addition to LAFCO, to secure safe, healthy water access. As you can imagine, for a responsible tax-paying family with *three* small children that are at greatly increased long-term health risks from this obvious adverse water quality threat, this is a heavy burden and an ongoing serious concern.

The purpose of this letter is to make a request to the "Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for the City of Calistoga" that our property at 1403 Greenwood Avenue be included within the proposed "spheres of influence" in order to have access to the City of Calistoga water to which we believe we are entitled. We are hopeful that our request may be

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resolved through this process, in order to secure something as basic as non-toxic water for our family.

Below, we detail the reasons why our property mostly should be included to have access to City water:

- There are confirmed *unacceptable* levels of boron in our well water (according to *both* the EPA and the State of California), which pose continued and significant public health risks. As we previously detailed in our request for access to City water in 2015, our well- drinking water has boron concentration levels *twenty* times over what is considered "safe" for drinking water. In addition, our drinking water has boron concentrations over the levels the State of California recommends for *decommissioning* a drinking well. Being included in the Sphere of Influence for the City of Calistoga, and thereafter as part of the City so that we can be guaranteed City water, would *completely* remedy this situation, not to mention greatly mitigate the ongoing and continuous health risks.
- 2) Public safety and fire protection. As you are no doubt aware, on June 28, 2016 there was a significant fire on Tubbs Lane, which posed a serious risk to the many residences in our neighborhood. I was actually one of the first people to call 911, having been able to see the flames from our yard. Unfortunately, all three of my small children were home as well, and were completely panicked by the close proximity of such a frightening fire to our house. We went so far as to begin evacuation procedures. Blessedly, given the lucky break of the wind direction, the fire was contained before it spread to the residences in our neighborhood. This "close call" experience confirmed for us that there must be adequate Calistoga City-provided hydrants and Calistoga City-provided fire equipment to ensure proper fire safety in the future.
- 3) Our property was intended to be included within City of Calistoga boundaries for water purposes years ago, but due to an administrative oversight that access was never properly recorded. Now is the time to "right that wrong." According to the Calistoga MSR-SOI Draft Report, it appears that there are a number of county land annexations that were never properly recorded, which directly involve our property. Based on preliminary discussions with land use experts familiar with the process, this appears to have simply been an "administrative oversight." Given that the report states that neither the State Board of Equalization nor LAFCO has resolved these issues, we trust that this issue can be addressed as part of the study so that these boundaries can be established and properly recorded, as originally intended, as part of the process.
- 4) Our property appears to be randomly excluded for the proposed new water boundaries, without any justification, given that we are surrounded on all sides by others who have City water. We were very disheartened to see that the currently

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proposed boundaries appear to specifically exclude our property and a few other neighboring properties, for no apparent reason. According to what is shown in Study Areas 1 and 2, we are surrounded on all sides by the City of Calistoga (southern side of #3-7 Greenwood Ave) and the two proposed additions to the service areas. The 7-8 parcel area excluded from the proposed study areas have the same or greater population density as the adjacent city and study areas, which all have similar profiles in that they are mostly residential with limited agricultural uses and value. It seems impossible that my neighbors on all four sides can get City water and services and have local representation, while my property sits completely surrounded by the City of Calistoga and the proposed study areas without the same benefits.

5) For an entire year, our property was significantly impacted by the "temporary road" installed to address the Greenwood Avenue culvert- bridge project. As a result of the Greenwood Avenue culvert project, a "temporary" road was installed to allow City residents ingress and egress from their properties to City roads. This "temporary" road ran the entire length of our property, directly in front of our house, and was in place for an entire year. Our previously quiet, bucolic property thus had cars driving directly in front of our house for an entire year at all hours, resulting in great upset to our use and enjoyment of our property. We were good citizens (although, understandably, concerned) throughout this entire process. During this same time, we consistently made efforts to work with County, City and even State representatives to tie us into City water, given that the construction presented a unique opportunity to do so.

In closing, we want LAFCO to know that our family loves Calistoga, and plans to make this property our family legacy home for generations to come. We are already very active in civic, pro bono, and nonprofit groups throughout the valley, and intend to continue our involvement and investment in local resources. Unfortunately, our experience thus far both with the "temporary" road and our reasonable request for access to *safe* and *healthy* water for our family with three young children has been very disappointing.

Nevertheless, we remain confident that this process is the avenue we've been waiting for to #3-10 finally insure that we have the safe, healthy, and non-toxic water that should be entitled to as residents of Calistoga.

Thank you for your assistance, and please let us know if there is any additional information you require from us.

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Regards,

Stephanie Sheridan

Stephanie A. Sheridan Sedgwick LLP

Response to Comment #3,

The consultants have prepared a response to comment #3 from Stephanie Sheridan (letter dated August 1).

Comment #3-1: request to be part of the public commentary process.

Response to comment #3-1: Thank you for providing comments on the Draft MSR Update on the City of Calistoga. Your comment letter is included in the public record.

Comment #3-2: Property does not have access to City of Calistoga water

Response to comment #3-2: The referenced property located at 1403 Greenwood Avenue is located outside the City of Calistoga's existing boundary and sphere of influence. Private well owners are responsible for testing and, if necessary, treating their water to ensure it is safe to drink. Your patience in working with numerous government agencies to locate a new water supply for your private property is noted. Please see response to comment #2-2 regarding boron, water quality, and water supply issues.

Comment #3-3: Request to be included within the proposed "spheres of influence".

Response to comment #3-3: Please refer to Response to comment #2-1. Also please note that 1403 Greenwood Avenue did not fit the criteria used to draw the study areas. All parcels included in a study area currently receive water from the City. The parcel at 1403 Greenwood Avenue does not currently receive water from the City. Therefore, it does not meet the criteria to be included in a study area at this time.

Comment #3-4: Boron in well water

Response to comment #3-4: We are very sorry to learn of the high level of boron in the groundwater accessed by a privately owned well. Please refer to response to comment #2-2.

Comment #3-5: Public safety and fire protection.

Response to comment #3-5: Please see response to comment #2-3.

<u>Comment #3-6</u>: property was intended to be included within City of Calistoga boundaries Response to comment #3-6: Please see response to comment #2-5. There is no evidence to suggest that "an administrative oversight" is the reason why the proposed boundary changes were not recorded. It would be more accurate to state that the reasons why the proposed boundary changes were not recorded are unknown at this time.

<u>Comment #3-7</u>: Property excluded for the proposed new water boundaries

Response to comment #3-7: The MSR/SOI Update does not describe or propose any "new proposed water boundaries". Any reference to "new proposed water boundaries" is a misstatement. Figure 4-3 is a preliminary map of those properties that currently receive "Out

of Boundary Water Service". Based on the data presented in Figure 4-3 and the criteria described in Chapter 7 of the MSR/SOI Update, study areas were drawn for analytical purposes only. Population density and/or agricultural use were not criteria for drawing study areas. Please refer to Response to Comment #2-4 for additional details.

Comment #3-8: impacted by the "temporary road"

Response to comment #3-8: Thank you for your patience and cooperation while the public works department installed a culvert along Greenwood Avenue. While these types of public improvement projects are necessary, they do sometime inconvenience adjacent property owners. However, addressing the boron in the local groundwater supply and/or securing a new water supply for property owners in the Greenwood Avenue neighborhood is a separate and distinct dilemma, apart from the past road and culvert work on Greenwood Avenue.

Comment #3-9: family legacy

Response to comment #3-9: Your vision for your family, property, and community is commendable. We sympathize with the disappointment you have experienced relating to the temporary road and to poor water quality in the private well. Sadly, many property owners in California have also experienced water quality problems with their private wells. Please see response to comment #2-2 for ideas and options you may wish to explore to secure a new water supply.

Comment #3-10: water that should be entitled to residents of Calistoga.

Response to comment #3-10: The referenced parcel is not currently located in the City of Calistoga. Use of the term "entitled" is problematic due to the complex suite of laws that govern water rights in California and water service in Napa County. The City of Calistoga has limited water resources. Please see response to comment #2-2 for ideas and options you may wish to explore to secure a new water supply.

Comment #4: City of Calistoga Planning Department (.pdf file dated August 2) - misc. edits

Year	2015	2020	2025	2030	2035
Population	5,050	5,400	5,775	6,175	6,603

Based on completed and anticipated residential construction, the City estimates a related population growth of 289 persons during the 2015-2019 Growth Management Cycle as of May 2016. This would allow only 20 additional dwelling units to receive building permits during the cycle in order to comply with the maximum growth rate and a total population of 5,328.

Calistoga has been proactive in adopting polices to control the amount of new growth and development in the City. These efforts include a policy discouraging annexations of unincorporated lands. Calistoga's Growth Management System is an innovative approach in controlling growth and development in the City by creating a market for residential and non-residential allocations. This system helps Calistoga preserve its desired rural character while providing an incentive for applicants to submit quality proposals. 2015 is the first year of the current five-year program cycle (2015 to 2020). In 2015, a total of 3 allocations for single-family dwellings were granted to house a population of approximately 8 persons. For commercial development, approximately 0.44 acre-feet of water was granted to new projects in 2015. The adocutors have been approved to date.

Regional Housing Allocation

In compliance with state law, the California Department of Housing and Community Development identifies the number and affordability level of housing units needed for the San Francisco Bay Area at-large for an eight-year period (in this cycle, from 2014 to 2022). ABAG⁷ distributes these housing needs to local governments in a way that is compatible with the Sustainable Communities Strategy. Once a local government has received its final Regional Housing Need Allocation, it was required to update its Housing Element to describe how its portion of the region's housing need can be accommodated. The housing numbers provided in Table 3-7, below reflect the final allocations adopted for Napa County jurisdictions.

⁷ ABAG's Regional Housing Need Allocation is described on its website at: http://abag.ca.gov/planning/housingneeds/

Affordability:	Very Low	Low	Moderate	Above Moderate	Total
American Canyon	116	54	58	164	392
Calistoga	6	2	4	15	27
Napa	185	106	141	403	835
St. Helena	8	5	5	13	31
Yountville	4	2	3	8	17
Unincorporated	51	30	32	67	180
Napa Total	370	199	243	670	1,482

In Table 3-7, above, "Very Low: is up to 50 Percent of Area Median Income, "Low" is between 51 and 80 Percent of Area Median Income, "Moderate" is between 81 and 120 Percent of Area Median Income, and "Above Moderate" is Above 120 Percent of Area Median Income. As shown in Table 3-7 Calistoga is responsible for accommodating a total of 27 new housing units by 2022. If developed, this amount would represent a one percent increase to Calistoga's existing number of housing units. More than 50 with housing the constructed since the beginning of the writer RANA myde.

Local Policies and Plans

To some extent, population growth in Calistoga is dependent upon land use, general plan designations, and zoning on properties. The last comprehensive Calistoga General Plan was adopted in October 2003 and is designed to address community needs and growth patterns⁸. Although most General Plans are based on a life cycle of 15 to 25 years, the City periodically reviews and updates specific elements of its general plan to respond to new circumstances and events. The General Plan contains 11 elements. The most recently updated chapters are the Land Use Element (updated 2015), Community Identity Element (updated 2012), Circulation Element (updated 2014), Housing Element (updated 2014), Public Services Element (updated 2014), and the Public Safety Element (updated 2014). The General Plan also contains elements related to infrastructure, open space and conservation, noise, geothermal resources, and economic development.

3.3 DISADVANTAGED UNINCORPORATED

COMMUNITIES

Senate Bill (SB) 244 (effective in January 2012) requires LAFCO to consider the presence of any Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs) when preparing a MSR that addresses agencies that provide water, wastewater or structural fire protection services. A DUC is an unincorporated geographic area characterized as having a median household

The City General Plan is available on the City website at: http://www.ci.calistoga.ca.us/city-hall/departments-services/planning-building-department/plans-programs-and-land-use-regulations/calistoga-general-plan/calistoga-general-plan

Water Distribution Facilities

Calistoga treats water and distributes it to domestic users, including residential, commercial, lodging, and resort users. Calistoga currently provides water service to 1,674 connections. Of this amount, 82 connections are located outside the city limits. The City maintains 40 miles of water mains, a dam, reservoir, two storage tanks, a water treatment plant, and a pump station.

Current Infrastructure Needs

The City updates the Capital Improvement Plan annually as part of its Annual Budget. The Capital Improvement Program (CIP) serves as a comprehensive plan to identify new construction and rehabilitation projects. The FY 2014-15 CIP Budget funded 36 projects. Of those, eight are related to the City Water System as listed here:

- Polybutylene Service Replacement
- **■** Bypass Structure
- Pump Protection-Kimball
- Replace Water Mains
- **■** Water Valve Replacement
- ■ Cross-Connection Survey
- Feige Tank Replacement
- **THM Abatement**
- Myrtle St Water Main Replacement

Additional projects have been funded in the City's FY15/16 and FY16/17 budgets.

Water Supply and Demand

Calistoga obtains water from two major sources, the State Water Project (SWP) and the Kimball Reservoir. As shown in Table 4-3, below, the average annual total water supply anticipated by the City is approximately 2,340 acre feet.

Table 4-3: Average Annual Total Water Supply				
Source	Amount			
SWP carry-over	600 acre feet			
SWP for 2016	1,443 acre feet			
Kimball Reservoir	300 acre feet			
Total	Up to 2,340 acre feet			
Source: Calistoga, 2016				

Approximately thirteen percent of the City's average annual available water supply is from local sources (i.e. Kimball Creek/Reservoir). The local water supply satisfies approximately 40 percent of annual demand. The remaining water is imported from the State Water Project. Please note that since water allocation from the SWP varies annually, the City actively manages its water supply, including carryover water, to ensure that.

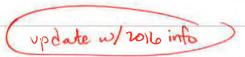


Table 4-4: Calistoga's Estimated Water Availability, December 2014

Units in acre-feet per year (afy)

1.	Maximum Demand	716.0 afy
2.	Demand Management 10 [Line 1 Times 10%]	71.6 afy
3.	Adjusted Maximum Demand [Line 1 Minus Line 2]	644.4 afy
4.	Range of Firm Yield Supply [Kimball Reservoir Plus NBA]	1128.5 to 1319.1 afy
5.	Range of Unused Supply [Line 4 Minus Line 3]	484.1 to 674.7 afy
6.	Growth Management, Standby and Other Allocations	233.94 afy
7.	Range of Available Supply [Line 5 Minus Line 6]	250.16 to 440.76 afy

Notes:

- 1. Calistoga's existing water demand over the last five years (2010-2014) as measured by the Napa and Kimball meters.
- 2. Assumes 10% reduction through voluntary conservation during a below normal year 11.
- 3. Maximum demand minus demand management.
- 4. Firm yield for a below normal year based upon 90% reliability which is an accepted methodology by the State Department of Water Resources.
 - Kimball Reservoir supply is 336 afy¹². With adoption of the Kimball Interim Bypass Plan (2011), Kimball Reservoir's supply yield is reduced by 41 afy¹³, to 295 afy.
 - The North Bay Aqueduct (NBA) sources include 500 afy of original NBA, 925 afy of Kern County water, and 500 afy of American Canyon-purchased water for a total of 1,925 afy. A firm yield of 52% delivery can be expected 4 which equals a firm yield of 1,001 afy.
 - Alternately, the average NBA water allocation from the State Water Project for the past ten
 years has been 53.2% (almost identical to the 52% contained in the May 2000 Summit
 engineering Report) and equates to 1024.1 afy. Using the average NBA water allocation
 from the State Water Project for the past five years has been 43.3% and equates to 833.5
 afy.
- 5. Estimated current supply available before standby and other obligations are subtracted.
- 6. Growth Management, Standby and Other Allocations (rounded)

Standby (customers with meter but no use)	30.3 afy
Paid Allocations and Development Agreements	117.4 afy
Bottling Works Unused Obligation	83.8 afy
Growth Management Allocations	2.5 afy
Estimated remaining water supply available for use in 2015.	
Total	233.9 afy

Source: City of Calistoga, 2016

¹⁰ Below normal year yields assumed

¹¹ Water Facilities Plan, Section 3.7.1, Summit Engineering, May 2000

¹² Water Facilities Plan, Section 2.2.3, Summit Engineering, May 2000

¹³ Kimball Interim Bypass Plan, Appendix 34

¹⁴ Water Facilities Plan, Section 2.2.4, Summit Engineering, May 2000

annual demands are met, including critically dry years. In addition to the fresh water supplies listed in Table 4-3, above, Calistoga participates in water recycling and water conservation and these programs help the City make it through drought conditions. As part of this MSR process, the City prepared an Estimated Water Availability worksheet, presented in Table 4-4, above

State Water Project

The City purchases water via a contract for water supply from the State Water Project (SWP). The SWP is managed by the CA Department of Water Resources (DWR). Calistoga's maximum entitlement is 1,925 acre-feet per year from the SWP and this includes:

- Original agreement of 500-acre feet through the year 2035
- Water transfer/purchase with American Canyon for 500 acre-feet through the year 2019
- Water transfer/purchase with Kern County for 925 acre-feet (temporary).

As part of the above agreements, two water right licenses (Licenses 9615 and 9616) have been issued by the State Water Resources Control Board (Calistoga, 2016). SWP water allocations vary annually. Drought, increased statewide water demand, and other Delta issues are raising concerns about reliability for this water source. The average water allocation from the State Water Project for the past ten years has been 53.2%. The term "water year" measures the amount of precipitation that falls in the time period starting on October 1 and ending on September 30. After several years of drought, water year 15/16 seems to be on track for near-average conditions. However, one good season cannot compensate for four prior years of drought. The State has relaxed its water conservation mandates but continues to encourage local agencies to take prudent measures to ensure water supply in the next several years.

Physical access to the SWP is provided via the North Bay Aqueduct (NBA). The NBA is a series of underground pipelines, totaling 27.4 miles (44.1 km) in length and serving Napa and Solano counties. The SWP has rights to water originating from the Sacramento River, which it stores in Lake Oroville. The Cordelia Forebay is utilized to pump water to Napa County, Vallejo, and Benicia. Since the NBA is not able to deliver the full 175 cfs flow it was designed and contracted for, DWR and the NBA users are investigating methods to increase its capacity. The proposed North Bay Aqueduct Alternate Intake Project is described on DWR's website at: http://www.water.ca.gov/engineering /Projects/Current/NBA/. Calistoga is expected to pay its fair share for the costs of this project through various agreements. Since Calistoga does not have a direct connection to the NBA of the SWP, it entered into a 1982 agreement with the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and the City of Napa. Napa treats the water from SWP at its Jamison Canyon water treatment plant and sends it through an interconnected pipeline This pipeline interconnection is sized such that flow is limited to approximately 1.0 million gallons per day (i.e. 1,008 acre-feet per year) (Enchanted Resorts EIR, Calistoga, 2012).

Kimball Reservoir

The Kimball Reservoir is located northeast of Calistoga, in the unincorporated area. Kimball Reservoir and the associated Kimball Canyon Dam were constructed in 1939. The Reservoir operates under Licenses 9615 and 9616 and Permit 20395 with the State Water Board. The dam was raised in 1948 and had an original storage capacity of 409 acre-feet. The current storage capacity of 330 (with all flash boards installed) is less than original design capacity due to the gradual build up of sediment behind the dam. With adoption of the Kimball Interim Bypass Plan (2011), Kimball Reservoir's supply yield is reduced by 41 afy¹⁵, to 295 afy (Calistoga, 2016). The water supply from Kimball Reservoir has been subject to two lawsuits from Grant Reynolds and the O'Gorman Family.

Water Recycling

Through Napa County, Calistoga participates in the North Bay Water Reuse Program and was successful in obtaining \$750,000 in Proposition 84 grant funding to construct a new 16.4 million gallon recycled water storage pond for recycled water produced at the Dunaweal Wastewater Treatment Plant. By re-using recycled water, Calistoga reduces treated effluent discharged to the Napa River and provides a valuable resource as a substitute for potable water for landscape irrigation. Boron concentrations average 3 milligrams per liter which precludes its use for irrigation of vineyards. Recycled water activities are regulated by State Water Resources Control Board Order WQ 2014-0090-DWQ-Corrected, General Waste Discharge Requirements for Recycled Water Use adopted June 3, 2014. This Order is under consideration for amendment and is tentatively scheduled for June 7, 2016, State Water Resources Control Board meeting.

The City has seven wastewater storage ponds (the 20 MG, the 10 MG, the 16.4 MG and the four Riverside Ponds) that hold approximately 48 million gallons of recycled water. The City is seeking grant funds to reconstruct and line the Riverside Ponds as required by the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board to mitigate potential impacts from flooding and to remove them from the designated floodway, address riverside bank erosion and to prevent tertiary treated effluent from seeping into the Napa River during low flow conditions.

Water Conservation

Water conservation can function as a water "source" during droughts. The City of Calistoga, along with most of the State, experienced multi-year drought from 2012 to 2015. In early 2014 the City Council declared a Stage II Water Emergency and called for mandatory practices for all water users to reduce overall water consumption by 20 percent compared to 2013 usage.

Water Demand

The City provides water to 1,674 connections. Since 1995 the City has seen a reduction in water consumption of approximately 35% from an annual demand of 950 acre feet to slightly over 700 acre feet.

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¹⁵ Kimball Interim Bypass Plan, Appendix 34

4.1.2: Wastewater (Sewer) Service

Calistoga's Public Works Department is responsible for providing sewer services in the City. Calistoga's sewer system collects and provides tertiary treatment of wastewater before it is discharged into the Napa River during the wet season (October 1st through May 15th) as permitted under Order No. R2-2016-0018 issued by the San Francisco Bay regional Water Quality Control Board, distributed for recycled water use, or conveyed into storage ponds. Calistoga's sewer treatment plant has a permitted dry-weather capacity of 0.84 million gallons per day (mgd), or 2.6 acre-feet. The City of Calistoga currently provides sewer service to approximately 1,357 connections. Customers are defined as the number of utility billing accounts and do not take into consideration multiple users on individual accounts. For example there are four accounts for the mobile home parks that provide water to 555 mobile homes. Approximately 84% of Calistoga's sewer connections are for residential uses.

Funding for City sewer service is provided through fees the City charges to customers to cover the cost of services. The City's water and wastewater enterprises are both classified as Business-Type activities in the annual financial statement. Wastewater is reported as a separate enterprise fund. In FY 14/15, Calistoga's budgeted operating cost for its sewer enterprise was \$2.6 million (CAFR, 2015). This amount represents an approximate per connection expense of \$160/month. Charges for sewer service were slightly less (\$2.4 million) than the costs.

All sewer connections are located within the City boundaries. There are no out-of-agency boundary sewer services provided. Primary services provided by the City for the wastewater system are collection, treatment, disposal, and maintenance.

Collection System

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WasteWater Treatment Plant Demand

WWTP demand and capacity can be influenced by new development occurring within the City. Other factors that impact supply in the City are prolonged drought and stormwater intrusion.



<u>Current Infrastructure Needs</u>

Recent improvements to the wastewater system include:

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- New Effluent Storage Pond
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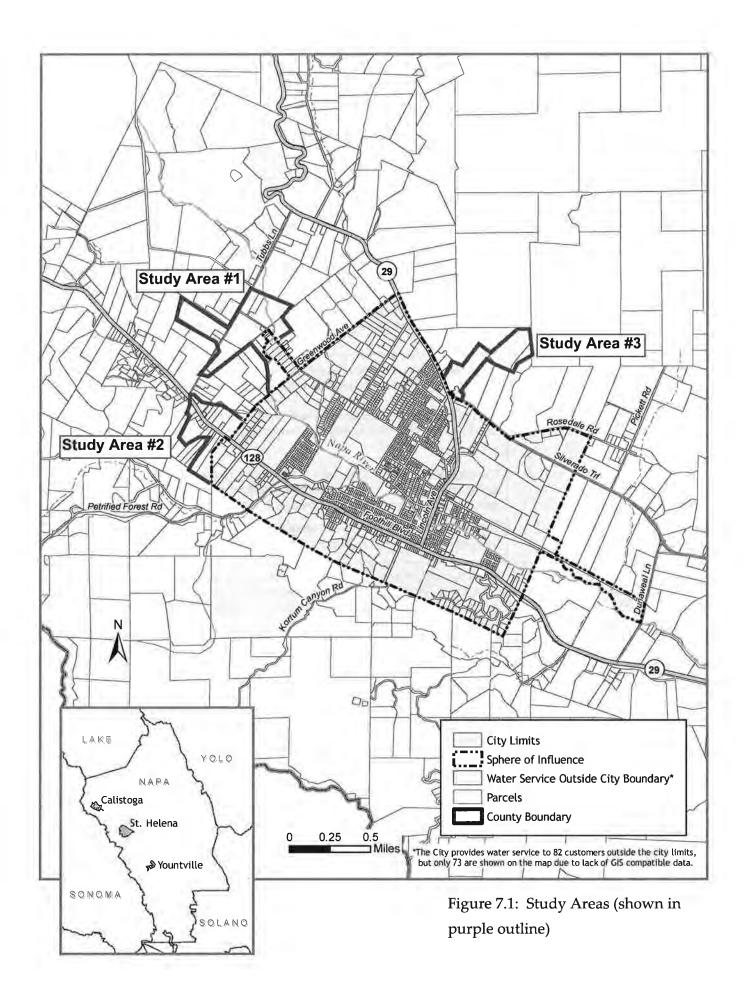


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Response to Comment #4

The consultants have prepared a response to comment #4 from City of Calistoga Planning Department (.pdf file dated August 2) - misc. edits

Response: Thank you for providing comments on the Draft MSR/SOI Update. All of the edits the City suggested have been incorporated into the Final Document, with the following two exceptions:

Exception #1 - Request to use 2016 data in Table 4-4 Calistoga's Estimated Water Availability, December 2014. Response: The year 2016 is not yet complete, so it is not possible to have complete data on water demand/supply for this current year. The 2014 data provided in Table 4-4 is based upon information the City provided in 2016 as noted in the "Source" at the bottom of the Table.

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Comment edits	#5:	City	of	Calistoga	Public	Works	Department	: (.pdf	file	dated	August	17) - m	nisc.

Water Distribution Facilities

Calistoga treats water and distributes it to domestic users, including residential, commercial, lodging, and resort users. Calistoga currently provides water service to 1,674 connections. Of this amount, 82 connections are located outside the city limits. The City maintains 40 miles of water mains, a dam, reservoir, two storage tanks, a water treatment plant, and a pump station.

Current Infrastructure Needs

The City updates the Capital Improvement Plan annually as part of its Annual Budget. The Capital Improvement Program (CIP) serves as a comprehensive plan to identify new construction and rehabilitation projects. The FY 2014-15 CIP Budget funded 36 projects. Of those, eight are related to the City Water System as listed here:

- Polybutylene Service Replacement
- **■** Bypass Structure
- Pump Protection-Kimball
- Replace Water Mains
- Water Valve Replacement
- ■ Cross-Connection Survey
- Feige Tank Replacement
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- Myrtle St Water Main Replacement

Additional projects have been funded in the City's FY15/16 and FY16/17 budgets.

Water Supply and Demand

Calistoga obtains water from two major sources, the State Water Project (SWP) and the Kimball Reservoir. As shown in Table 4-3, below, the average annual total water supply anticipated by the City is approximately 2,340 acre feet.

Source	Amount
SWP carry-over	600 acre feet
SWP for 2016	1,443 acre feet
Kimball Reservoir	300 acre feet
Total Up to 2,340 acre feet	

Approximately thirteen percent of the City's average annual available water supply is from local sources (i.e. Kimball Creek/Reservoir). The local water supply satisfies approximately 40 percent of annual demand. The remaining water is imported from the State Water Project. Please note that since water allocation from the SWP varies annually, the City actively manages its water supply, including carryover water, to ensure that.

Table 4-4: Calistoga's Estimated Water Availability, December 2014

Units in acre-feet per year (afy)

1.	Maximum Demand	716.0 afy
2.	Demand Management 10 [Line 1 Times 10%]	71.6 afy
3.	Adjusted Maximum Demand [Line 1 Minus Line 2]	644.4 afy
4.	Range of Firm Yield Supply [Kimball Reservoir Plus NBA]	1128.5 to 1319.1 afy
5.	Range of Unused Supply [Line 4 Minus Line 3]	484.1 to 674.7 afy
6.	Growth Management, Standby and Other Allocations	233.94 afy
7.	Range of Available Supply [Line 5 Minus Line 6]	250.16 to 440.76 afy

Notes:

- 1. Calistoga's existing water demand over the last five years (2010-2014) as measured by the Napa and Kimball meters.
- 2. Assumes 10% reduction through voluntary conservation during a below normal year 11.
- 3. Maximum demand minus demand management.
- 4. Firm yield for a below normal year based upon 90% reliability which is an accepted methodology by the State Department of Water Resources.
 - Kimball Reservoir supply is 336 afy¹². With adoption of the Kimball Interim Bypass Plan (2011), Kimball Reservoir's supply yield is reduced by 41 afy¹³, to 295 afy.
 - The North Bay Aqueduct (NBA) sources include 500 afy of original NBA, 925 afy of Kern County water, and 500 afy of American Canyon-purchased water for a total of 1,925 afy. A firm yield of 52% delivery can be expected 4 which equals a firm yield of 1,001 afy.
 - Alternately, the average NBA water allocation from the State Water Project for the past ten
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 afy.
- 5. Estimated current supply available before standby and other obligations are subtracted.
- 6. Growth Management, Standby and Other Allocations (rounded)

Standby (customers with meter but no use)	30.3 afy
Paid Allocations and Development Agreements	117.4 afy
Bottling Works Unused Obligation	83.8 afy
Growth Management Allocations	2.5 afy
Estimated remaining water supply available for use in 2015.	
Total	233.9 afy

Source: City of Calistoga, 2016

¹⁰ Below normal year yields assumed

¹¹ Water Facilities Plan, Section 3.7.1, Summit Engineering, May 2000

¹² Water Facilities Plan, Section 2.2.3, Summit Engineering, May 2000

¹³ Kimball Interim Bypass Plan, Appendix 34

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annual demands are met, including critically dry years. In addition to the fresh water supplies listed in Table 4-3, above, Calistoga participates in water recycling and water conservation and these programs help the City make it through drought conditions. As part of this MSR process, the City prepared an Estimated Water Availability worksheet, presented in Table 4-4, above

State Water Project

The City purchases water via a contract for water supply from the State Water Project (SWP). The SWP is managed by the CA Department of Water Resources (DWR). Calistoga's maximum entitlement is 1,925 acre-feet per year from the SWP and this includes:

- Original agreement of 500-acre feet through the year 2035
- Water transfer/purchase with American Canyon for 500 acre-feet through the year 2019
- Water transfer/purchase with Kern County for 925 acre-feet (temporary).

As part of the above agreements, two water right licenses (Licenses 9615 and 9616) have been issued by the State Water Resources Control Board (Calistoga, 2016). SWP water allocations vary annually. Drought, increased statewide water demand, and other Delta issues are raising concerns about reliability for this water source. The average water allocation from the State Water Project for the past ten years has been 53.2%. The term "water year" measures the amount of precipitation that falls in the time period starting on October 1 and ending on September 30. After several years of drought, water year 15/16 seems to be on track for near-average conditions. However, one good season cannot compensate for four prior years of drought. The State has relaxed its water conservation mandates but continues to encourage local agencies to take prudent measures to ensure water supply in the next several years.

Physical access to the SWP is provided via the North Bay Aqueduct (NBA). The NBA is a series of underground pipelines, totaling 27.4 miles (44.1 km) in length and The SWP has rights to water originating from serving Napa and Solano counties. the Sacramento River, which it stores in Lake Oroville. The Cordelia Forebay is utilized to pump water to Napa County, Vallejo, and Benicia. Since the NBA is not able to deliver the full 175 cfs flow it was designed and contracted for, DWR and the NBA users are investigating methods to increase its capacity. The proposed North Bay Aqueduct Alternate Intake Project is described on DWR's website at: http://www.water.ca.gov/engineering /Projects/Current/NBA/. Calistoga is expected to pay its fair share for the costs of this project through various agreements. Since Calistoga does not have a direct connection to the NBA of the SWP, it entered into a 1982 agreement with the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and the City of Napa. Napa treats the water from SWP at its Jamison Canyon water treatment plant and sends it through an interconnected pipeline This pipeline interconnection is sized such that flow is limited to approximately 1.0 million gallons per day (i.e. 1,008 acre-feet per year) (Enchanted Resorts EIR, Calistoga, 2012).

Kimball Reservoir

The Kimball Reservoir is located northeast of Calistoga, in the unincorporated area. Kimball Reservoir and the associated Kimball Canyon Dam were constructed in 1939. The Reservoir operates under Licenses 9615 and 9616 and Permit 20395 with the State Water Board. The dam was raised in 1948 and had an original storage capacity of 409 acre-feet. The current storage capacity of 330 (with all flash boards installed) is less than original design capacity due to the gradual build up of sediment behind the dam. With adoption of the Kimball Interim Bypass Plan (2011), Kimball Reservoir's supply yield is reduced by 41 afy¹⁵, to 295 afy (Calistoga, 2016). The water supply from Kimball Reservoir has been subject to two lawsuits from Grant Reynolds and the O'Gorman Family.

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4.1.2: Wastewater (Sewer) Service

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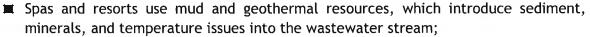
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Street and Transportation Facilities

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Financial Ability of Agency to Provide Services

- 21. The City's budget process provides a revenue forecast for one year in advance allowing a longer look into the future to fund service delivery and to plan for future improvements. The City adopts a comprehensive budget and receives an audited financial statement on an annual basis.
- 22. Both the Water and the Wastewater Enterprise Fund are managed efficiently. However, charges for service do not fully cover costs. A subsidy from the General Fund is sometimes needed to help cover the costs of capital improvements to the system.
- 23. Calistoga adopts its budget at public meetings in which members of the public are allowed to comment with regard to expenditures and service programs. The budget process enhances the accountability of elected officials and provides a clear directive towards staff with regard to prioritizing local resources.
- 24. Calistoga has been diligent in the development of policies and service plans that address the existing and future needs of the community. These efforts provide effective performance measures and demonstrate a commitment by Calistoga to hold itself accountable to the public.
- 25. Calistoga's rates and fees for municipal services are established by ordinance or resolution. The ordinances or resolutions are based on staff recommendations and adopted by the City Council. This administrative process provides an opportunity for public input and strengthens the ability of Calistoga to allocate costs with the desired levels of service of its constituents.
- 26. Calistoga has been proactive in establishing and implementing a number of impact fees relating to new development. These fees help ensure that Calistoga is

Response to Comment #5

The consultants have prepared a response to comment #5 from City of Calistoga Public Works Department (.pdf file dated August 17) - misc. edits

Response: Thank you for providing comments on the Draft MSR/SOI Update. All of the edits the City Public Works Department has suggested have been incorporated into the Final Document.

Comment #6: Comments from LAFCO during public meeting July 18, 2016

The consultants have paraphrased comments the Commission provided during the public meeting July 18, 2016 and have prepared a response to these comments as shown below.

Water

- ♦ Commission Comment #1: What is the difference between single dry year and multiple dry years in the Table 4-6? (Consultant Response: Consultants reviewed the report prepared by West Yost Associates referenced in Table 4-6. West Yost Technical Memorandum # 4 indicates the definition of a single dry year and multiple dry years is based on established definitions by the California Dept. of Water Resources such that the single dry-year delivery would be 20 percent of the water entitlement. Deliveries during a multiple dry year [4 or 6-year droughts] would be 40 percent of entitlement. This information has been added as a footnote to Table 4-6.)
- Commission Comment #2: Table 4-5, City of Calistoga Water Demand and Supply Projections, indicates water supply will increase by 631 AF by year 2032. Where is this extra water to come from? (Consultant Response: The 631 AF is derived from improvements to water storage. The City has built (or is constructing) new water storage tanks. This includes a new 1.5 million gallon water storage tank on Mt. Washington and the proposed replacement of the Feige Tank with a new larger water storage tank. Other water related infrastructure improvements are listed in the City's capital improvement plan.)
- Commission Comment #3: How much water must be allowed to bypass Kimball Dam? (Consultant Response: The City's Note #4 in Table 4.4 states that Kimball Reservoir supply is 336 afy. With adoption of the Kimball Interim Bypass Plan (2011), Kimball Reservoir's supply yield is reduced by 41 afy, to 295 afy. This is the most recent information available. A sentence has been added to the water supply/demand section of the MSR/SOI to note that Kimball Reservoir is subject to bypass requirements.)
- Commission Comment #4: Figure 4-3 shows out of boundary water customers. Can they utilize recycled water instead of municipal water? (Consultant Response: The properties shown in green on Figure 4-3 utilize water from the City of Calistoga for domestic purposes. Water from the recycled water program is not appropriate for domestic use due to water quality issues.)

<u>Police</u>

• Commission Comment #5: The MSR's public safety analysis should consistently describe the contracts with County police and fire. The consultants should contact the Napa County Sheriff and County Fire Department to obtain more information about mutual aid agreements. (Consultant Response: Comment noted. Please see response to comment #1 for more information.)

SOI Analysis Chapter 7

- Commission Comment #6: Please clarify zoning as it relates to agricultural parcels in Chapter 7. Commissioners expect the city to change the zoning and increase density if parcels are annexed. (Consultant Response: Comment noted. Additional text has been added to Chapter 7 to reflect these concerns.)
- ♦ Commission Comment #7: Napa County is the first county in the country to have a voter initiative to protect agriculture. Please add a high level policy discussion of agricultural protection measures in Napa County. (Consultant Response: Additional information on agricultural protection in general and Measures J/P specifically have been added to Chapter 7).
- Commission Comment #8: The financial effects of expanding the SOI should be considered. For example, if a parcel is annexed to the City, the rate they pay for water would change. (Consultant Response: Chapter 7 now includes a recommendation that a fiscal analysis be done to analyze the potential difference in taxes a property owner could pay if a parcel is annexed.)
- Commission Comment #9: Table 7-1, 7-2, and 7-3 should accurately reflect the type of police and fire service. (Consultant Response: Table 7-1, 7-2, and 7-3 have been amended to reflect police and fire mutual aid agreements and associated fees per service.)
- Commission Comment #10: Tables 7-1, 7-2, and 7-3 list effects on other agencies. Measures J and P are not an effect on a different agency; rather they should be described as a policy consideration. (Consultant Response: Chapter 7 has been updated to add a more thorough description of agricultural preservation including Measures J and P. A new line item entitled "policy considerations" has been added to Tables 7-1, 7-2, and 7-3.)
- Commission Comment #11: Expansion of the City's SOI could impact water and sewer service and create demands for new infrastructure to service existing levels of development and potential new development. This would need to be studied in more detail (Consultant Response: It is agreed that expanding an SOI could lead to potential new development potential upon future annexation. The ability of the City to provide water and sewer service should be studied in more detail prior to expanding an SOI and this recommendation is included in Chapter 7.)

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Appendices

- A. List of City advisory bodies and the names of City representatives
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- E. Grants for Disadvantaged Communities
- F. Regulatory requirements Municipal Water
- G. Napa Vitners: 40 years of Agricultural Preservation

BOARD/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS

ACTIVE TRANS	PORTATION COMMITTEE ((FORMERLY THE BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE)
ACTIVE TRAINS	PORTATION COMMINITIES	FORMERLY THE BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

INCUMBENT	APPOINTED	2yr - TERM EXPIRATION
Efrain Gonzalez	01/01/14	12/31/16
Brad Suhr	08/07/14	12/31/16
Dieter Deiss	01/01/15	12/31/17
David Kumamoto	01/01/15	12/31/17
Tiana Fillman	01/01/15	12/31/17

Qualifications: Committee members shall have residency within the Calistoga Joint Unified School District. Members shall have an interest in improving bicycle and pedestrian travel within the City. (Resolution 2013-111)

Committee Meetings: The 1st Monday of each month at 1pm in the Administration Conference Room at City Hall

BUILDING STANDARDS ADVISORY & APPEALS BOARD

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INCUMBENT	APPOINTED	3yr - TERM EXPIRATION
Timothy Wilkes	01/01/14	12/31/16
Bev More	01/01/14	12/31/16
Kate Coates	01/01/15	12/31/18
Paul Coates	01/01/14	12/31/16
Bill Nance	01/01/14	12/31/16
Shelby Valentine	01/01/16	12/31/18
Jadd Elkeshen	01/01/14	12/31/16

Qualifications: The members shall be qualified by experience and training to pass on matters pertaining to building construction, accessibility and hazards of fire, explosions, hazardous conditions or fire protection systems and are not employees of the jurisdiction. Individuals from each of the following professions or disciplines may be appointed to the Board: Registered Design Professional, Registered Fire Protection Professional, Registered Engineer (*preferred:* Industrial/Mechanical) Professional, General Contractor, Certified Access Professional, General Industry or Business Representative. (Ordinance 661) Term: Members shall be appointed for a staggered term of three years after the initial Board has been appointed and may not serve for more than two consecutive full terms. When a member is appointed to fill an open position due to the voluntary withdrawal or removal of a member, the appointed member's term shall coincide with the term of the departing member. (Resolution 2013-111) (Resolution 2014-014)

CALISTOGA CITY COUNCIL

CALISTO CAN CALL COCACAL		
INCUMBENT	APPOINTED	2yr - TERM EXPIRATION
Chris Canning (Mayor)	01/01/15	12/31/16
INCUMBENT	APPOINTED	4yr - TERM EXPIRATION
Michael Dunsford (Vice Mayor)	01/01/13	12/31/16
Gary Kraus	01/01/15	12/31/18
James Barnes	01/01/15	12/31/18
Irais Lopez-Ortega*	02/05/13	12/31/16
Notes: *Irais Lonez-Ortega was appointed to take Carl Sherill's seat on the Council		

BOARD/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS

CALISTOGA COMMUNITY POOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

APPOINTED	2 yr - TERM EXPIRATION
09/03/15	09/02/17
09/03/15	09/02/17
(Appointed by CCPP)	N/A
(Appointed by CCPP)	N/A
(Staff Member)	N/A
	09/03/15 09/03/15 (Appointed by CCPP) (Appointed by CCPP)

Notes: CPAC consists of 5 committee members. Per Resolution No. 2010-067, two members are appointed by the City Council to serve a two-year term; two members are appointed by the Calistoga Community Pool Project (CCPP), and one City staff member shall serve as the Committee Secretary. (Resolution 2011-087) (Resolution 2013-081)

CALISTOGA PUBLIC FACILITIES CORPORATION

INCUMBENT	APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRATION
President	City Manager	N/A
Treasurer	Administrative Services Director	N/A
Secretary	City Clerk	N/A
Board Members	Sitting City Council Members	N/A

Purpose: To assist the City in certain types of public financing instruments for public facilities. It meets the 3rd Tuesday in July annually as needed. (Resolution 2002-001)

CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY COMMISSION

INCUMBENT	APPOINTED	3yr - TERM EXPIRATION
Shelby Valentine	08/07/12	02/01/16
Qualifications: Commission members shall have residency within the Calistoga Joint Unified School District		

Qualifications: Commission members shall have residency within the Calistoga Joint Unified School District. (Resolution 2012-56)

COUNTY WIDE BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

INCUMBENT	APPOINTED	3yr - TERM EXPIRATION
Dieter Deiss	01/01/16	12/31/18

Qualifications: Committee members shall have residency within the City limits of Calistoga. Have an interest in improving bicycle and pedestrian travel within the City. Provides advice to the Napa County Transportation Planning Agency on bicycle matters and issues, including advice regarding disbursement of bicycle oriented funds. The council will recommend to the Napa County Transportation Planning. (Resolution 2013-111)

BOARD/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS

GREEN COMMITTEE		
INCUMBENT	APPOINTED	2yr - TERM EXPIRATION
VACANT	-	-
VACANT	-	-
Eden Umble 01/01/15 12/31/16		
Qualifications: (Resolution 2014-004)		
Committee Meetings: The 1 st Friday of even numbered months at 10am in the Administration Conference Room at City Hall		

NAPA COUNTY ART & CULTURE COMMISSION				
INCUMBENT APPOINTED 4yr - TERM EXPIRATION				
Elizabeth Stokkebye 12/16/14 12/31/18				
Qualifications: Commission members shall have residency within the Calistoga Joint Unified School District and should have a broad range of artistic and cultural disciplines. (Appointment confirmed with Resolution 2014-115)				

NAPA COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING						
INCUMBENT	APPOINTED	2yr - TERM EXPIRATION				
Shirley Blomquist 01/01/16 12/31/17						
•	ers-one member from each of the 5 Supervi					

appointees are over the age of 55, but a person of a younger age will not be excluded. (No Resolution Found)

NAPA COUNTY LOCAL FOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL						
INCUMBENT	APPOINTED	4yr - TERM EXPIRATION				
VACANT	01/01/15	12/31/18				

Qualifications: Members are appointed by the Napa County Board of Supervisors. (Resolution 2010-115) The Napa County Local Food Advisory Council's mission is to nurture a more sustainable local food system in Napa County.

The Advisory Council consists of 15 individuals: One (1) representative from the Board of Supervisors, Five (5) representatives from the incorporated cities/town, Three (3) representatives from Agriculture, One (1) individual representing public health and/or nutrition, One (1) individual representatives from the community at large.

NAPA COUNTY MEASURE A FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE					
INCUMBENT	APPOINTED	3yr - TERM EXPIRATION			
Brian McBride 07/01/13 06/30/18					
Qualifications: Committee members shall have residency within the City limits of Calistoga. (Resolution 2015-073)					

BOARD/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS

NAPA COUNTY MOSQUITO ABATEMEMNT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

INCUMBENT	APPOINTED	2yr - TERM EXPIRATION
Ann Shelby Valentine	01/01/16	12/31/17

Qualifications: Board members shall have residency within the City limits of Calistoga. Appointment does not need to be approved by Board of Supervisors. (Resolution 2014-004)

PARK & OPEN SPACE DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

INCUMBENT	APPOINTED	1yr - TERM EXPIRATION
Karen Chang	08/19/14	06/30/15

Qualifications: All members shall reside in the incorporated or unincorporated areas of Napa County. Appointment does not need to be approved by Board of Supervisors. (Napa County Board of Directors Resolution 14-03)

PLANNING COMMISSION

INCUMBENT	APPOINTED	2yr - TERM EXPIRATION
Alissa McNair	01/01/16	12/31/17
Walter Abernathy	01/01/16	12/31/17
Timothy Wilkes	01/01/16	12/31/17
Paul Coates	01/01/15	12/31/16
Scott Cooper	01/01/15	12/31/16

Qualifications: Commission members shall have residency within the City limits of Calistoga. Planning Commissioners are community-minded citizens volunteering time to serve as a citizens' governing board over Calistoga's professional planning staff and as an advisory board to the City Council. The Planning Commission leads the community in helping set Calistoga's goals for the future and evaluating projects for their compliance with the plan the community has adopted. Issues of particular interest or experience include design review and building positive working relationships. Commissioners are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council on two-year terms. (Resolution 2014-115)

Committee Meetings: The 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month at 5:30pm at the Calistoga Community Center

Napa County Economic Forecast

Napa County is home to the Napa Valley, a popular tourist destination known for wine grapes and premium wine production. Napa County has a population of 140,300 people and a total of 74,200 wage and salary jobs. The per capita income in Napa County is \$60,576, and the average salary per worker is \$58,557.

Wine grapes account for 99 percent of all agricultural output in Napa County. Red grapes are dominant in the region, with a total value that is almost 5 times than that of white grapes. The viticulture industry also attracts a large number of tourists to the county each year, generating a substantial amount of economic activity.

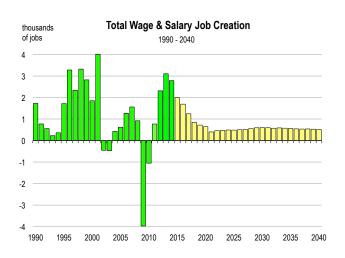
In 2014, employment in Northern California increased by 3.4 percent, whereas employment in the greater Bay Area grew by 4.0 percent. In Napa County, a total of 2,800 jobs were created, representing a growth rate of 3.9 percent. Non-farm employment increased by 4.1 percent, while farm employment increased by 1.8 percent. The unemployment rate improved substantially, falling from 6.8 percent in 2013 to 5.6 percent in 2014.

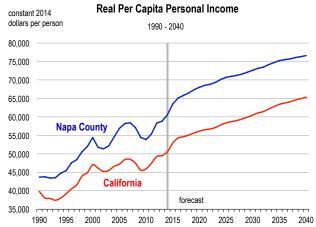
During 2014, the largest employment increases were observed in leisure and hospitality (+670 jobs), manufacturing (+670 jobs), education and healthcare (+420 jobs), and construction (+410 jobs). No industries were characterized by jobs losses.

Between 2009 and 2014, the population of Napa County grew at an annual average rate of 0.7 percent. Net migration accounted for more than 60 percent of this growth, with an average of 600 net migrants entering the county each year.

FORECAST HIGHLIGHTS

- Job growth of 2.7 percent is forecasted for 2015. Between 2015 and 2020, the annual growth rate for total wage and salary jobs will average 1.3 percent.
- Average salaries are below the California average, and will remain so over the foreseeable future. In Napa County, inflation-adjusted salaries are forecasted to rise by 0.6 percent per year from 2015 to 2020.
- Between 2015 and 2020, job creation will be concentrated in leisure services (+1,700 jobs), professional and business services (+1,000 jobs), education and healthcare (+530 jobs), and wholesale and retail trade (+500 jobs). Together, these industries will account for 71 percent of net job creation in the county.
- Population growth is expected to average 0.4 percent per year from 2015 to 2020.
- During the 2015-2020 period, an average of 470 net migrants will enter the county each year, accounting for 77 percent of total population growth.



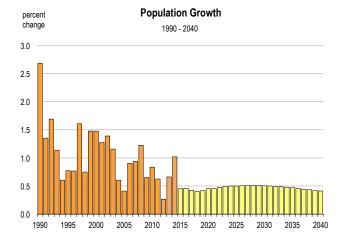


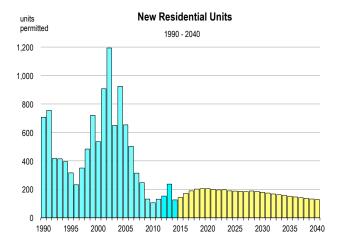
- Real per capita income will rise by 4.8 percent in 2015. From 2015 to 2020, real per capita income is forecasted to increase by 1.4 percent per year.
- Total taxable sales, adjusted for inflation, are expected to increase by an average of 2.7 percent per year between 2015 and 2020.
- Industrial production is expected to rise by 4.1 percent in 2015.
 From 2015 to 2020, industrial production will grow at an average rate of 2.6 percent per year.
- Farm production is forecasted to increase by 1.2 percent per year between 2015 and 2020. Wine grapes will continue to account for the vast majority of all output.

This Forecast was prepared by Caltrans, Economic Analysis Branch. On-line at: http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/eab/socio_economic_files/2015/Final%20Forecasts/Napa.pdf

Napa County Economic Forecast 2006-2014 History, 2015-2040 Forecast

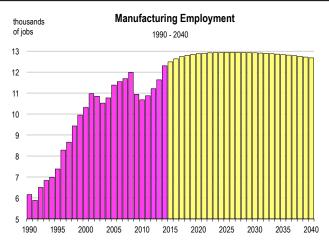
	Population (people)	Net Migration (people)	Registered Vehicles (thousands)	Households (thousands)	New Homes Permitted (homes)	Total Taxable Sales (billions)	Personal Income (billions)	Real Per Capita Income (dollars)	Inflation Rate (% change in CPI)	Real Farm Crop Value (millions)	Real Industrial Production (billions)	Unemploy- ment Rate (percent)
2006	131,920	630	138	48.4	503	\$2.4	\$6.4	\$58,181	3.2	576.3	2.4	3.9
2007	133,155	701	138	48.8	314	\$2.6	\$6.7	\$58,407	3.4	562.1	2.6	4.0
2008	134,786	1,170	139	48.9	247	\$2.5	\$6.8	\$57,124	2.9	463.4	3.0	5.1
2009	135,664	321	138	48.9	132	\$2.2	\$6.6	\$54,441	0.8	564.0	2.7	8.6
2010	136,798	648	138	48.9	106	\$2.3	\$6.6	\$53,865	1.3	511.5	2.6	10.3
2011	137,653	496	137	49.0	131	\$2.5	\$7.1	\$55,359	2.7	464.8	2.5	9.8
2012	138,019	-43	137	49.1	153	\$2.7	\$7.7	\$58,326	2.7	699.7	2.8	8.4
2013	138,932	742	141	49.2	237	\$2.9	\$7.9	\$58,830	2.3	681.0	2.9	6.8
2014	140,348	1,149	143	49.2	126	\$3.1	\$8.5	\$60,576	2.8	682.0	3.1	5.6
2015	140,984	537	144	49.4	143	\$3.3	\$9.1	\$63,464	1.2	696.6	3.2	5.1
2016	141,633	542	146	49.5	172	\$3.6	\$9.6	\$65,126	3.2	700.0	3.3	4.3
2017	142,235	477	147	49.7	189	\$3.8	\$10.1	\$65,791	3.2	708.1	3.4	4.1
2018	142,808	434	147	49.9	202	\$4.0	\$10.5	\$66,499	3.0	711.2	3.5	4.0
2019	143,405	438	148	50.1	204	\$4.2	\$11.0	\$67,355	2.8	720.5	3.6	3.9
2020	144,053	468	148	50.3	206	\$4.4	\$11.5	\$68,033	2.9	739.1	3.7	3.9
2021	144,704	455	149	50.5	199	\$4.6	\$12.0	\$68,562	3.0	737.9	3.8	3.9
2022	145,393	473	149	50.7	196	\$4.8	\$12.5	\$68,824	3.1	750.1	3.9	3.9
2023	146,107	477	149	50.9	197	\$5.0	\$13.0	\$69,327	2.7	754.3	4.0	3.8
2024	146,837	479	150	51.1	189	\$5.2	\$13.5	\$70,149	2.6	762.4	4.1	3.8
2025	147,572	474	150	51.3	188	\$5.4	\$14.1	\$70,699	2.8	768.9	4.2	3.8
2026	148,320	475	150	51.5	186	\$5.6	\$14.6	\$70,990	2.8	776.2	4.4	3.8
2027	149,074	472	151	51.6	184	\$5.8	\$15.2	\$71,230	2.8	783.3	4.5	3.8
2028	149,833	470	151	51.8	189	\$6.0	\$15.7	\$71,598	2.7	790.6	4.6	3.8
2029	150,599	465	152	52.0	186	\$6.2	\$16.3	\$72,096	2.5	797.9	4.8	3.8
2030	151,359	454	152	52.2	180	\$6.4	\$16.9	\$72,628	2.4	805.5	4.9	3.8
2031	152,116	442	152	52.4	174	\$6.6	\$17.5	\$73,177	2.3	813.1	5.1	3.8
2032	152,860	426	153	52.6	167	\$6.8	\$18.1	\$73,480	2.5	820.7	5.3	3.8
2033	153,604	420	153	52.7	162	\$7.1	\$18.8	\$74,152	2.1	828.3	5.4	3.8
2034	154,341	411	154	52.9	157	\$7.3	\$19.4	\$74,725	2.3	836.2	5.6	3.8
2035	155,068	404	154	53.0	152	\$7.6	\$20.1	\$75,264	2.4	844.0	5.8	3.8
2036	155,781	395	154	53.2	147	\$7.8	\$20.8	\$75,501	2.8	851.9	5.9	3.8
2037	156,473	387	155	53.3	142	\$8.1	\$21.6	\$75,702	2.8	860.1	6.1	3.8
2038	157,154	382	155	53.5	137	\$8.4	\$22.4	\$76,071	2.7	868.0	6.3	3.8
2039	157,811	375	155	53.6	132	\$8.6	\$23.2	\$76,311	2.8	876.4	6.4	3.8
2040	158,460	368	156	53.8	128	\$8.9	\$24.0	\$76,587	2.8	884.6	6.6	3.8

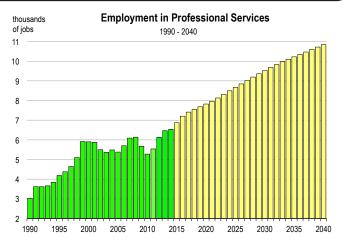


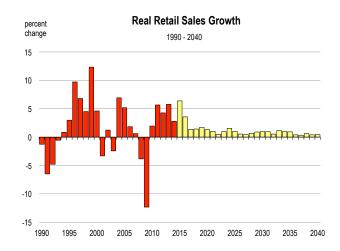


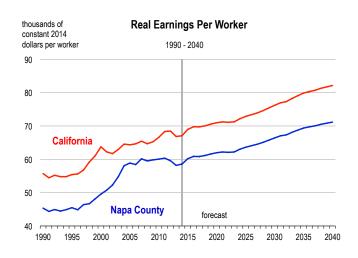
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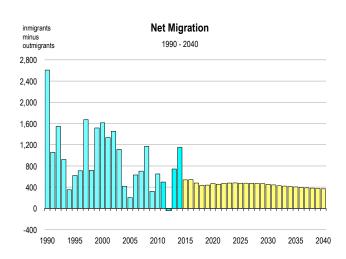
	Total Wage & Salary	Farm	Construction	Manufac- turing	Transportation & Utilities	Wholesale & Retail Trade	Financial Activities	Professional Services	Information	Health & Education	Leisure	Government
					emplo	yment (thousan	ds of jobs)					
2006	67.8	4.74	5.1	11.6	1.4	7.6	2.8	5.7	0.7	8.0	8.5	10.0
2007	69.4	4.91	4.6	11.7	1.6	7.8	2.6	6.1	0.7	8.4	9.1	10.2
2008	70.3	4.87	4.0	12.0	1.7	7.7	2.6	6.1	0.7	8.6	9.3	10.6
2009	66.3	4.93	3.0	10.9	1.6	7.3	2.4	5.7	0.6	8.5	8.8	10.7
2010	65.3	4.67	2.6	10.7	1.5	7.3	2.3	5.3	0.6	8.7	9.3	10.4
2011	66.0	4.80	2.5	10.9	1.6	7.1	2.3	5.5	0.6	8.8	10.0	10.1
2012	68.3	4.81	2.7	11.2	1.8	7.3	2.3	6.1	0.6	9.1	10.7	9.9
2013	71.4	4.95	3.2	11.6	1.9	7.7	2.2	6.5	0.6	9.6	11.3	10.0
2014	74.2	5.04	3.6	12.3	2.0	7.9	2.2	6.5	0.6	10.0	12.0	10.1
2015	76.2	5.09	3.6	12.5	1.9	8.1	2.3	6.9	0.6	10.2	12.8	10.2
2016	77.9	5.12	3.7	12.6	2.0	8.2	2.2	7.2	0.6	10.4	13.4	10.3
2017	79.2	5.17	3.7	12.7	2.0	8.3	2.2	7.4	0.6	10.5	13.9	10.4
2018	80.0	5.19	3.7	12.8	2.0	8.4	2.2	7.6	0.6	10.6	14.2	10.4
2019	80.7	5.25	3.7	12.8	2.0	8.5	2.3	7.7	0.6	10.7	14.4	10.5
2020	81.4	5.38	3.7	12.9	2.0	8.6	2.3	7.8	0.7	10.7	14.4	10.5
2021	81.8	5.37	3.7	12.9	2.1	8.7	2.3	8.0	0.7	10.8	14.5	10.5
2022	82.2	5.45	3.7	12.9	2.1	8.7	2.3	8.1	0.7	10.9	14.5	10.5
2023	82.7	5.48	3.7	12.9	2.1	8.8	2.3	8.3	0.7	11.0	14.5	10.6
2024	83.2	5.53	3.7	12.9	2.1	8.8	2.3	8.5	0.7	11.1	14.5	10.6
2025	83.7	5.57	3.7	12.9	2.1	8.9	2.3	8.7	0.7	11.1	14.6	10.6
2026	84.2	5.62	3.6	12.9	2.2	8.9	2.4	8.8	0.7	11.2	14.6	10.7
2027	84.7	5.67	3.6	12.9	2.2	9.0	2.4	9.0	0.7	11.3	14.7	10.7
2028	85.3	5.72	3.6	12.9	2.2	9.0	2.4	9.2	0.7	11.4	14.8	10.7
2029	85.9	5.77	3.6	12.9	2.2	9.1	2.4	9.4	0.7	11.5	14.9	10.8
2030	86.5	5.82	3.6	12.9	2.3	9.1	2.4	9.5	0.7	11.7	15.0	10.8
2031	87.1	5.87	3.6	12.9	2.3	9.2	2.5	9.7	0.7	11.8	15.2	10.8
2032	87.6	5.92	3.6	12.9	2.3	9.2	2.5	9.8	0.7	11.9	15.3	10.8
2033	88.2	5.97	3.6	12.9	2.3	9.3	2.5	10.0	0.7	12.0	15.5	10.9
2034	88.8	6.02	3.6	12.9	2.4	9.4	2.5	10.1	0.7	12.1	15.6	10.9
2035	89.4	6.07	3.6	12.8	2.4	9.4	2.5	10.2	0.7	12.3	15.7	10.9
2036	89.9	6.12	3.6	12.8	2.4	9.5	2.5	10.3	0.7	12.4	15.9	11.0
2037	90.4	6.18	3.6	12.8	2.4	9.5	2.5	10.5	0.7	12.5	16.0	11.0
2038	91.0	6.23	3.6	12.8	2.4	9.5	2.6	10.6	0.7	12.6	16.2	11.0
2039	91.5	6.29	3.6	12.7	2.5	9.6	2.6	10.7	0.7	12.7	16.3	11.0
2040	92.0	6.34	3.6	12.7	2.5	9.6	2.6	10.9	0.7	12.8	16.5	11.1

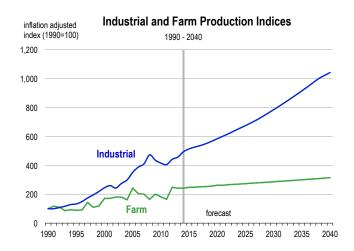












County Economic and Demographic Indicators

Projected Economic Growth (2015-2020)

Expected retail sales growth:	16.8%
Expected job growth:	9.6%
Fastest growing jobs sector:	Leisure Services
Expected personal income growth:	15.3%

Expected population growth:	2.6%
Net migration to account for:	76.8%
Expected growth in number of vehicles:	3.8%

Demographics (2015)

Unemployment rate (March 2015):	4.6%
County rank* in California (58 counties):	6th
Percent of population working age:(16-64)	63.6%

Population with B.A. or higher:	30.8%
Median home selling price (2014):	\$485,000
Median household income:	\$69.717

Quality of Life

Violent crime rate (2013):	262 per	100,000 persons
County rank* in California (58	counties):	15th
Average commute time to work	(2015):	26.1 minutes

High School drop out rate (2014):	9.3%
Households at/below poverty line (2015):	7.3%

^{*} The county ranked 1st corresponds to the lowest rate in California

Appendix C

CITY OF CALISTOGA PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT PROPOSED AND APPROVED DEVELOPMENT REPORT MARCH 2016

<u>Location</u>	Project Name/Applicant	Project Description	<u>Status</u>	<u>Planner</u>
411 Foothill Boulevard	CALISTOGA HILLS (Formerly Enchanted Resorts) Aaron Harkin 1019 Myrtle Street Calistoga, CA 94515 707-332-8917	Resort/Residential Project Approved 13 single-family dwellings 20 Fractional Units 110 Hotel Units		Erik Lundquist
1300 Washington Street	ROMAN SPA Michael and Kathy Quast 1300 Washington Street Calistoga, CA 94515 707-942-4441 ext. 7242	Resort Expansion Project	Proposed	Erik Lundquist
207 Wappo Avenue	Wappo Avenue Guest Accomodations Thomas Hodge and Margaret Nicholson PO Box 6942 Napa, CA 707.501.8550	3 Family and/or Group Guest Suites	Approved	Erik Lundquist
1998 Cedar Street	IMPER RESIDENCE Patrick Mervin + Associates c/o Allisa McNair 4668 Petrified Forest Road Calistoga, CA 94515 707-942-6540	4,000+ sf single-family dwelling	Approved	Lynn Goldberg
400 Silverado Trail	SILVER ROSE RESORT Silver Rose Venture, LLC 1 Post Office Square 3520 Boston, MA 02109 650-868-3708	Resort/Residential Project 85 guest rooms 57,630 sf resort facilities 110-seat restaurant 21 single-family dwellings	Under Construction	Erik Lundqiust
1801 & 1805 Michael Way	NEW VINE HOMES LLC 1301 Farmer's Lane, Suite 302 Santa Rosa, CA 95405	4 New Single Family Dwellings	Approved	Erik Lundquist

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Location	Project Name/Applicant	Project Description	<u>Status</u>	<u>Planner</u>
957 Petrified Forest Road	BRANSTAD PARCEL MAP PM 2014-4 c/o Robert Branstad PO Box 1009 Winnemucca, NV 89446 510.334.2232	2-lot Subdivision	Under Construction	Erik Lundquist
2085 Mora Avenue	DECKARD AND FRANQUELIN PARCEL MAP PM 2014-3 1718 Michael Way Calistoga, CA 94515 707.544.2104	3-lot Subdivision	Approved	Erik Lundquist
2960 Foothill Boulevard	CALISTOGA PET CLINIC USE PERMIT AMENDMENT UP 2013-7 Steve Franquelin 2960 Foothill Boulevard Calistoga, CA 94515 707.942.0404	Expansion of Use	Pending	Erik Lundquist
2412 Foothill Boulevard	Rancho de Calistoga Clubhouse Design Review DR 2015-1 and Variance VR 2015-1 HCA Management c/o Dean Moser 7250 Redwood Blvd., #350 Novato, CA 94945 415.892.4795 x217	New Clubhouse	Under Construction	Erik Lundquist

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Location	Project Name/Applicant	Project Description	<u>Status</u>	<u>Planner</u>
285 Rosedale Road	Luvisi Parcel Map PM 2015-1 Clarence Luvisi and Donal Luvisi PO Box 967 Calistoga, CA 94515 707-942-4074	2-lot subdivision	Pending	Erik Lundquist
345 Silverado Trail	Helmer Short-term Rental Zoning Ordinance Amendment ZOA 2016-9 & Use Permit UP 2015-13 345 Silverado Trail Calistoga, CA 94515	Short-term Rental of Single Family Dwelling	Pending	Erik V. Lundquist
109 Wappo Avenue	Brannan Cottage Inn Event Venue Use Permit Amendment UP 2015-12 Brannan Group, LLC 109 Wappo Avenue Calistoga, CA 94515	Special Events	Pending	Erik V. Lundquist

Appendix D

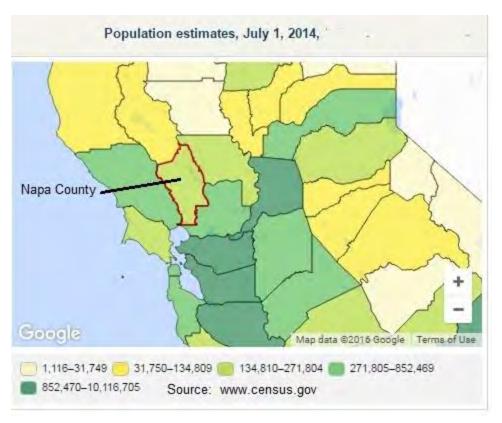
Population Study for Napa County

This appendix analyzes the existing and projected population in Napa County. This information is provided as context to the City of Calistoga as studied in this MSR/SOI.

Napa County has the smallest population of any of the nine bay area counties that participate in Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG). The population of Napa County is approximately 140,300 persons in 2015. The second smallest county in the ABAG region is Marin County at 258,972 persons and this is 84% larger than Napa County (DOF, 2015). Figure

D-1, below depicts the general population of Napa County in relation to the surrounding counties.

ABAG provides analysis of population data for local governments throughout nine county region it serves. Projections 2013 is the most recent in the Association of Bay Area Governments' series of statistical compendia demographic,



economic, and land use changes in coming decades. This current version covers the period between 2010 and 2040. Table D.1, below lists ABAG's projected population for Napa County in the years 2020, 2025, 2030, 2035, and 2040. Between the years 2015 to 2040, Napa County's population will grow by 23,400 persons or an overall increase of 17%. Currently, most (56%) of the population of Napa County resides within the City of Napa, making Napa the largest city in the County. Nineteen percent live in the unincorporated area of the County.

Table D-1: Projected Total Population Napa County						
	2015	2020	2025	2030	2035	2040
AMERICAN	2013	2020	2023	2030	2033	2040
CANYON	20,500	21,500	22,600	23,700	25,000	26,200
CALISTOGA	5,200	5,300	5,400	5,500	5,500	5,600
NAPA	78,800	80,700	82,800	85,100	87,700	90,300
ST. HELENA	5,900	6,000	6,100	6,100	6,200	6,300
YOUNTVILLE	3,000	3,100	3,300	3,400	3,600	3,800
UNINCORPORATED	26,900	27,600	28,400	29,300	30,400	31,500
NAPA COUNTY	140,300	144,200	148,600	153,100	158,400	163,700

Source: ABAG Projections 2013 for Napa County

The number of persons sharing a household is projected to increase slightly by the year 2040 to 2.77, on average as shown in Table D-2, below (ABAG, 2013).

Table D-2: Persons Per Household in Napa County						
	2015	2020	2025	2030	2035	2040
AMERICAN						
CANYON	3.41	3.40	3.40	3.40	3.41	3.43
CALISTOGA	2.53	2.54	2.55	2.56	2.58	2.60
NAPA	2.69	2.69	2.71	2.72	2.74	2.76
ST. HELENA	2.39	2.39	2.40	2.41	2.43	2.45
YOUNTVILLE	1.86	1.86	1.87	1.88	1.89	1.91
UNINCORPORATED	2.48	2.49	2.50	2.51	2.53	2.55
NAPA COUNTY	2.70	2.70	2.72	2.73	2.75	2.77
Source: ABAG Projections 2013 for Napa County						

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission analyzes and publishes various statistics about local counties as part of their transportation planning process. The historical trend of poverty rates is shown in Figure below. Napa County is shown as a blue line and it indicates that poverty in Napa County has become more variable and has increased during the past decade.

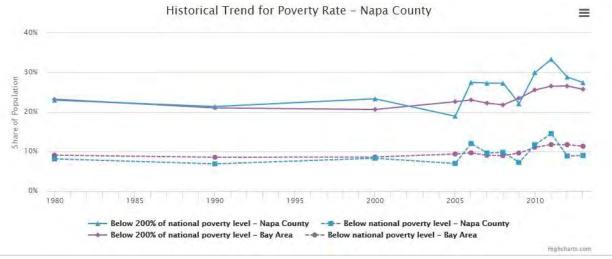
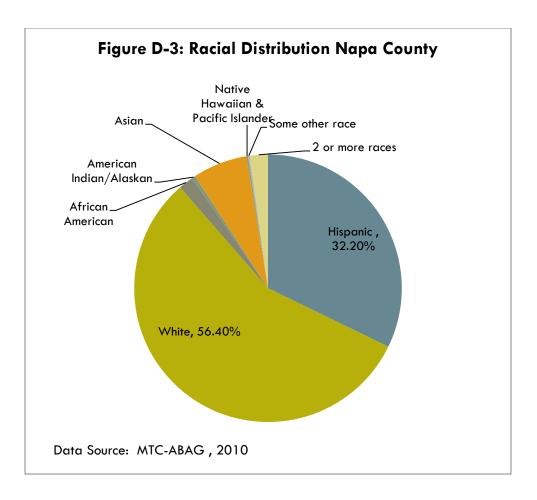


Figure D-2 with Data Source: Metropolitan Trans Commis

The U.S. Census collects data on race and this provides background information about ancestry and ethno-linguistic categories. This data also provides contextual information on the historical role of immigration, race and inequality in American society. The Bay Area Census¹ reports this data for Napa County. California is a racially diverse state and Napa County somewhat reflects this diversity. White and Hispanics are the two largest racial categories in Napa County as shown in Figure D-3 below. Other categories include African American (1.20%); American Indian/Alaskan (0.50%); Asian (2.90%); and Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander (0.20%). 0.20% of people self-identify as belonging to some other race and 2.10% identify as belonging to two or more races (MTC-ABAG, 2010).

¹ The Bay Area Census is a project and website provided jointly by provided by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the Association of Bay Area Governments and it contains selected Census data for the San Francisco Bay Area.



Age distribution

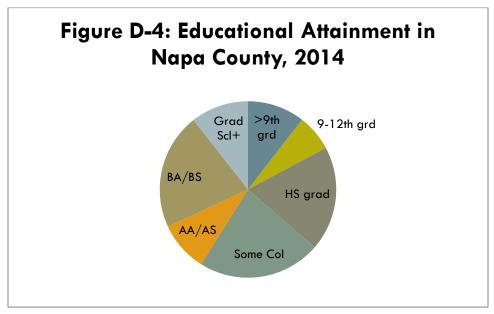
The Median age in Napa County is 39.7 years. There are 20,594 senior citizens living in the County, as shown in Table D-3, below.

Table D-3: Age Distribution in Napa County			
Age Category	# of residents		
Under 5 years	8,131		
5 to 17 years	23,355		
18 to 64 years	84,404		
65 years and over	20,594		
Data Source: http://www.bayareacensus.ca.gov/counties/NapaCounty.htm			

Average household size was 2.69 persons in 2010. There were a total of 54,759 housing units in Napa County in 2010. Approximately 11% or 5,883 of these units were vacant or used as vacation homes. Of the occupied homes, approximately 63% or 30,597 were owner-occupied and 37% (18,279 units) were rental homes (MTC-ABAG, 2010).

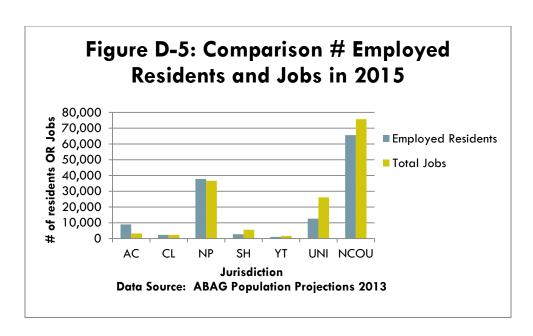
The total number households in the County in 2014 was 49,631. The median household income was \$70,925. The Mean household income was estimated to be \$95,454 in 2014. The percentage of people whose income in the past 12 months is below federal poverty level was 10.30% (approximately 13,000 people) (US Census, 2014).

The Educational Attainment In the population aged 25 years and over is that 82.80% of the county's population is a high school graduate or higher. Almost 32% of the county's population has attained a bachelor's degree or higher, as shown in Figure D-4, below (US Census, 2014).

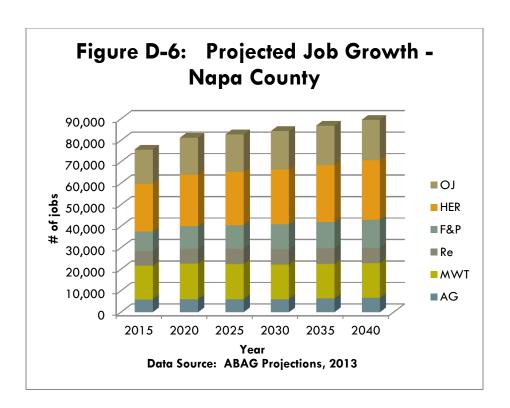


US Census, 2014

Figure D-5, below depicts a comparison between the number of employed residents an area has to the total number of jobs that area provides, as of 2015. In the Figure, abbreviations for the jurisdictions along the horizontal access are as follows: City of American Canyon, AC; City of Calistoga, CL; City of Napa, NP; City of St. Helena, SH; City of Yountville, YT; Unincorporated, UNI; and Napa County, NCOU. Three cities, such as American Canyon and Calistoga, and Napa have more employed residents and fewer jobs, in comparison. This indicates that many people commute out of the city to work. The cities of St. Helena and Yountville along with the unincorporated area provide more jobs than employed residents. This indicates that these areas provide jobs that attract people to commute there for work. By the year 2040, the number of employed residents in Napa County is expected to rise to 74,690 persons (ABAG, 2013).



There are 75,700 jobs in Napa County as of the year 2015, as shown in Figure D-6, below, according to ABAG. The number of jobs is expected to increase to 89,540 by the year 2040, an overall increase of almost two percent. The jobs cover a range of economic sectors. In the Figure below, these economic sectors are given the following abbreviations: Agriculture and Natural Resources Jobs, AG; Manufacturing, Wholesale and Transportation Jobs, MWT; Retail Jobs, Re; Financial and Professional Service Jobs, F&P; Health, Educational and Recreational Service Jobs, HER; and Other Jobs, OJ.



Although the agricultural sector represents only a small fraction of the number of current and projected jobs, this sector does provide many other ancillary benefits. For example, many of the retail jobs in Napa County are related to the wine industry. The scenic vineyards and pastures create an attractive visual amenity which increase the quality of life and helps other businesses and industries attract workers. The agricultural sector also supports the creation and protection of green open space which is one of LAFCO's goals.

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Appendix E

Grants for Disadvantaged Communities

Cap and Trade Funds: AB 32 (Global Warming Solutions Act of 1996) requires the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions back down to 1990 levels by 2020 within California. AB 32 required the California Air Resources Board to administer this program. Facilities subject to the cap must obtain permits (called allowances) to emit these GHG. These allowances are auctioned by the state, and businesses can then sell or trade them. California's cap-and-trade program was launched in November 2012 and has generated hundreds of millions of dollars in revenue. SB 535, signed into law in September 2012, requires that 25 percent of the cap-andtrade funds go to projects that will benefit disadvantaged areas and that at least 10 percent must be allocated to projects actually located in disadvantaged communities. The law defines "disadvantaged communities" as those that are disproportionately affected by pollution and suffering from high concentrations of unemployment, low levels of homeownership, high rent burden, and low levels of educational attainment. The California Air Resources Board has Maps for Evaluating Benefits to Disadvantaged Communities and has additional information opportunities. potential funding See their website at: http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/capandtrade/auctionproceeds/535investments.htm for more information.

Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund: The California Department of Public Health administers the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund which provides low interest loans to fund water infrastructure projects and public water system planning. Disadvantaged communities that are unable to afford loans for water systems may be eligible for these grants. Projects that solve public health and significant compliance issues are emphasized by the grant funders.

State Water Resources Control Board Revolving Fund Program: The U.S. Clean Water Act (amended in 1987) established the Clean Water State Revolving Fund program. Through this program, low interest financing agreements for water quality projects may be provided to state and local governments. \$200 and \$300 million is offered to eligible projects each year across the country.

Proposition 1, Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure: This water bond measure was approved by California voters on November 4, 2014. Proposition 1, known as the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 authorized \$1.4 billion for water-quality projects, as part of Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation and Planning efforts in each hydrologic region of the State. The \$1.4 billion in funding includes \$260 million for drinking water in disadvantaged communities.

Community Development Block Grant Funds: This program began in 1974, and is administered by the federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Community Development Block Grant Funds program provides annual grants to allow communities address a wide range of unique community development needs.

Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: California's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Grant and Loan Program contributes towards capital investments in recycling manufacturing facilities and composting/digestion infrastructure. CalRecycle administers this program whose aim is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and to realize economic benefits in disadvantaged communities. Ideally, material can be diverted from landfills and utilized to produce beneficial products such as compost or bio-digesters. Grants may also be used to expand infrastructure for manufacturing products with recycled content fiber, plastic, or glass. **Details** are available on the CalRecycle website at: http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Climate/GrantsLoans/.

APPENDIX F: REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS - MUNICIPAL WATER

Federal Regulations

U.S. Clean Water Act (1972)

The Clean Water Act (CWA) is the primary federal statute governing the protection of water quality. The EPA's implementation of this law provides a comprehensive program to protect the nation's surface waters. Under CWA Section 304, states are required to ensure that potable water retailed to the public meets specific standards.

Section 303(d) of the CWA requires states to identify water bodies that do not meet water quality objectives and that do not support beneficial uses. The 303(d) list includes the Napa River for pathogens, nutrients, and sedimentation/siltation.

U.S. Safe Drinking Water Act (1974)

Under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA, 42 USC Sections 300f et seq.), U.S. EPA regulates contaminants of concern to domestic water supply. Contaminants of concern relevant to domestic water supply are defined as those that pose a public health threat or that alter the aesthetic acceptability of the water. The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has been granted primary enforcement responsibility for the SDWA. Title 22 of the California Administrative Code establishes CDPH authority, and stipulates drinking water quality and monitoring standards.

State Regulations

California Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (1969)

The Porter-Cologne Act provides the statutory authority for the protection of water quality in California. Consistent with the Porter-Cologne Act, the state adopts water quality policies, plans, and objectives to protect the state's waters. The Act outlines the obligations of the SWRCB and nine RWQCBs to adopt and periodically update basin plans.

San Francisco Bay (Region 2) Water Quality Control Plan

The State Water Resources Control Board and nine RWQCBs are responsible for ensuring implementation and compliance with the provisions of the CWA and the Porter-Cologne Act.

Urban Water Management Planning Act (1983)

The Urban Water Management Planning Act (California Water Code, Division 6, Part 2.6, Section 10610 et seq.) requires water suppliers to document water supplies available during normal, single dry, and multiple dry water years during a 20-year projection period, and to document the existing and projected future water demand during a 20-year projection period. The Act applies to municipal water suppliers that serve more than 3,000 customers or provides more than 3,000 afy of water.

Senate Bill 610 and Senate Bill 221

SB 610 (now CEQA Guidelines Section 15155) amended the Water Code requirements within the CEQA process and broadened the types of information required in a UWMP. SB 221 is applicable within the Subdivision Map Act and it allows jurisdictions to condition a tentative map such that documentation from a public water supplier regarding availability of sufficient water supply is needed.

Recycled Water Regulations

Recycled water is regulated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), Regional Water Quality Control Boards (RWQCB), and the CA Department of Health Services (DHS). Resolution No. 77-1 from the SWRCB, allows the SWRCB and RWQCB to encourage and consider funding of water reclamation projects that do not impair water rights or beneficial instream uses.

California Water Code

The California Water Code outlines the general state authority and responsibilities over water in California.

Title 22

The California Water Code requires the DHS to establish water reclamation criteria. In 1975, the DHS prepared Title 22 to fulfill this requirement. Title 22 regulates the production and use of reclaimed water in California.

California Water Code (Division 3, Dams and Reservoirs)

The State of California inspects dams to prevent failure in order to safeguard life and protect property. DWR Division of Safety of Dams implements this legislation.

Local Regulations

Napa County has several policies related to water quality including its General Plan. The County Environmental Health Department also aims to ensure drinking water is safe.

Appendix G: How 40 years of Agricultural Preservation Transformed Na	apa Val	llev
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How 40 years of Agricultural Preservation Transformed Na

BY PAUL FRANSON

If Prohibition was society's worst social experiment, Napa Valley's Agricultural Preserve is one of its best. For more than a century, our country had set aside land for national parks, scenic byways, historic sites, cultural attractions and recreation areas, but never for agriculture. That changed in 1968 with the establishment of the Napa Valley Agricultural Preserve.

2008 marks the 40th anniversary of the act that protected much of Napa Valley for agriculture. You only need to look around the valley to recognize its success: the valley is lush with grapevines, not tract housing and shopping malls. It has maintained a rural character long lost by adjoining counties around San Francisco Bay.

is one of its best.

If Prohibition was If the act hadn't succeeded, there's society's worst social have gone the way of Santa Clara experiment, Napa Valleys Valley, which was called the Valley Agricultural Preserve of Heart's Delight for its orchards and vines long before it became a symbol for technology and urban

development. If Napa Valley hadn't been saved, a major divided highway would run through what are now some of the world's finest vineyards, and Yountville, St Helena and Calistoga would be a sea of housing development and their quaint downtowns would be bypassed and largely unused.

Instead, Napa Valley is America's premier wine destination, and its communities offer the lifestyle that both residents and visitors value so highly. The fact that Napa Valley wasn't lost is primarily due to the vision of vintners and growers of Napa Valley's wine community. That vision has led to great success, and the world-wide acclaim for Napa wines has helped support ever-heightened protection and leadership.

NAPA'S UNIQUE ENVIRONMENT

To understand why Napa Valley has maintained its unique character while much of coastal California has been overtaken by development, you have to start with its environment. Part of the answer is in Napa Valley's unique suitability for growing premium wine grapes. It boasts an incomparable combination of climate, geography and geology ideal for producing some of the world's best wines. The valley's natural beauty has captivated visitors to return time and again.

As one of the nine counties that front the San Francisco Bay, Napa County residents don't often consider themselves part of the Bay Area at all. Residents feel more on the fringe, but distance from the hub would not have kept the valley safe from development, as a drive through neighboring counties attests. As the Bay Area prospered in the years after World War II, progress inevitably spread. Though Prohibition had ended in 1933, there were only about 25 wineries in Napa Valley in the mid-1960s, and only a few small wineries had begun operation until Napa County's landowners and farmers could see development creeping toward them. The state of California talked of building a major highway through the valley while regional planners had considered placing the Bay Area's fourth major airport in the marshes south of Carneros, and the Army Corps of Engineers suggested turning the Napa River into a concrete channel like the onceflowing Los Angeles River. Projections envisioned 200,000 people in the city of Napa by 2000, half a million by 2020. Most people here think it's fine with today's 75,000.

Locals saw that rising land values would soon mean that property would be worth far more for development than for the nuts, fruit, dairy and cattle, grapes and other agricultural products then grown in the county. Grape growers were getting only \$300 a ton for Cabernet Sauvignon but the most widely planted grapes were Napa Gamay, Petite Sirah and other varieties that sold for even less. In 1968, the county had less than 12,000 acres planted to grapevines compared

to about 45,000 acres planted today. That price per ton for Cabernet Sauvignon has risen to nearly \$4000 and the value of the grape crop from \$6 million to nearly half a billion dollars. From 25 or so wineries in 1968, today there are over 325 producing wineries, and nearly 400 brands.

L. Pierce Carson came to the valley as a cub reporter only a month or so before the



original proposal for the Ag Preserve was formulated, and he wrote the article about it when it was passed in April of 1968. "It sounded reasonable to me," he says. "I couldn't understand why some people were so adamantly against it." He says that emotions ran high, and as written in the local headlines, long-time friendships dissolved.

> "Dirt Farmers Rebel Against Ag. Pres." St Helena Star, February 25, 1968

"Landowners Launch Heavy Attack On Ag. Preserves" St Helena Star, February 22, 1968

"Agricultural Preserves: Why They Are Needed" St Helena Star, January 11, 1968

"Agricultural Preserves Under Heavy Fire Here"

St Helena Star, January 4, 1968

Back in the '60s, many landowners felt that their only attractive economic course was to sell their land to developers, or develop it themselves, as had already occurred on prime farm land from San Diego to Redding. Others wanted to maintain the special environment that is Napa Valley—beautiful views, slow pace and enchanted lifestyle. They recognized that Napa Valley had unique properties for growing fine wine grapes: people could live most anywhere, but rare few places allowed noble grapevines to flourish. Conservationists felt that the highest and best use of the fertile valley and foothills of the county was in growing grapes—not in homes and development. They also knew that it would take a strong legal change to preserve that environment.

Basing their argument on the Williamson Act that allowed lower valuation, and hence lower taxes on land kept in agriculture, they mounted a campaign to create an agricultural preserve. Opponents charged that the measure would destroy the value of their land, restricting it to the low \$2000 to \$4000 per acre of farmland, not the far higher amount that would be paid by developers. Carson notes that the county assessor, George Abate, kept telling people that land would be worth more in agriculture than in subdivisions, but many didn't believe him. Ironically, later as the county's viable vineyard property

As a result of the establishment of the Ag Preserve, city combined with the agriculture remains the lead- mounting reputation of ing source of revenue in Napa County, unlike other Bay Area counties where farmland has largely been displaced by development.

approached its limit, land value skyrocketed. Scar-Napa's wines, and its attractive lifestyle, had created land prices 100 times what they were. It's unlikely that even the original supporters of the preserve could have an-

ticipated such a benefit. "A lot of people believed that Napa Valley was a good spot for agriculture, but I don't think anyone expected the rise we've seen," says Carson.

Thus in 1968, encouraged by a small group of vintners and growers, Napa enacted changes in its county code that implemented an agricultural preserve. This tough-won, forward-thinking act, the bestknown part called the Napa Valley Agricultural Preserve (zoning AP) lies primarily between the towns of Napa and Calistoga. It originally protected 26,000 acres of the valley floor and foothills and has since grown to more than 38,000 acres. No land has ever been taken from the preserve.

Beyond the protection of the valley floor, the county also designated a huge area as Agriculture, Watershed and Open Space (AW zoning), which is also protected, and in some ways, even more so. Together, the two total 482,000 acres and represent 91 percent of the county's 505.859 acres.

According to the county general plan, the "...Agricultural Preserve classification is intended to be applied in the fertile valley and foothill areas of Napa County in which agriculture is and should continue to be the predominant land use...the Agricultural Watershed classification is intended for areas of the county where the predominant use is agriculturally oriented, where watershed areas, reservoirs and floodplain tributaries are located..." This latter designation covers most of the mountainous areas as well as developed and undeveloped farm and range land, forests and some very remote areas indeed. Only a fraction of Napa County is seen by most visitors. More than half of the county lies over the mountains to the east of the Vaca range and another large portion is contained in the Mayacamas range to the west.

In these areas, the minimum new lot size is 160 acres, but that's only the start of the obstacles to building the allowed single-family home or winery, since intense environmental review must be passed to build or even plant vineyards in most cases.

Beyond county regulations, Napa landowners, many of whom are vintners and growers, formed the Land Trust of Napa County in 1976. They have placed their property in trust, some of which could have been used for vineyards, forever saving it from development. Now more than 50,000 acres of the county are in the Land Trust and will forever remain in agriculture or open space.

The success of establishing regulations to preserve Napa County for agriculture in 1968 led to further protection. In 1980, county voters adopted Measure A, which restricted growth via building permit limits, in the unincorporated areas of the county to 1 percent per year.



Again restating their approval of agricultural preservation, in 1990 voters approved Measure J which requires a two-thirds vote of the county's citizens to rezone any ag land. Only a handful of these rezoning attempts have passed, and all were very specific, such as allowing the sale of pumpkins and produce in a rural site and allowing a local restaurant to serve meals on its existing patio.

The resistance to rezoning attempts clearly reflected the residents' desire to maintain the integrity of the Ag Preserve. No one wants to let that camel's nose in the tent, fearing that its body would soon follow. Though seemingly innocuous, the challenges to the measures have historically been condemned as the first steps to weakening the protection and have been soundly defeated.

Another contentious point was defining what is a "winery." In other regions, wineries are sometimes considered to be in the entertainment and hospitality businesses as much as winemaking. Some offer extensive gift shops, restaurants, inns and wedding chapels, and derive

much of their revenue from parties, wedding receptions, corporate dinners and non-wine retails agricultural resources, sales. In Napa County, this issue was resolved with a hard-fought battle that ended in 1990 with the Winery Definition Ordinance cent of the county is that prohibited new wineries from engaging in ancillary activities like weddings, restaurants, inns and gift shops, and required all visitors to make appointments. Many

In an analysis of approximately 45,000 acres, or about 9 perplanted to vineyards, with very limited opportunity for expansion.

have severe restrictions on the number of visitors allowed, some not even allowing the public to visit.

It seems as though 1990 was a watershed year for Napa County, for that year, the county also adopted a hillside erosion control ordinance. Also adopted were rules regarding setbacks from streams designed to protect the waters and wildlife. The stream setbacks were largely supported by the wine community even though the rules reduced plantable acreage in many vineyards.

Again in 1998, Napa County voters followed the wine community's lead and endorsed the common good by approving another measure, a project to control the periodic flooding of the Napa River in a forward-thinking plan that chose natural controls such as wide floodplains and acceptance of occasional flooding of certain areas instead of the all or nothing approach of fighting nature that has historically been favored by the Army Corps of Engineers.

In this effort as in the others noted, vintners and growers were strong supporters even though any of these measures could potentially affect their individual property rights.

THE AG PRESERVE AS A FOUNDATION FOR CONTINUING LEADERSHIP

Protecting the land is just one part of protecting Napa Valley. The success Napa has enjoyed by protecting its agricultural heritage, restricting development and focusing on its wines has encouraged Napa Valley Vintners to persist in their quest—and provided them with the resources to continue. The Napa Valley was the first recognized American Viticultural Area or appellation in California, and it remains by far the best known here and abroad.

"Napa" means quality, so much so that consumers understand the value and rely on the reputation for quality when a label reads "Napa," and outsiders have repeatedly tried to hijack the name. In 2000, a state law prohibited the selling of wines labeled "Napa" or its geographic subdivisions unless the wine contained at least 75 percent Napa grapes. This was contested by Bronco Wine Company, which had bought the Napa Ridge and other Napa place name brands and produced and marketed wines made from grapes from outside Napa, leading consumers to believe the products to be from the Napa Valley Appellation. The Napa Valley Vintners fought this practice all the way to the US Supreme Court and after a six-year court battle, Bronco lost. California state law SB25241 is now fully enacted requiring brands with a Napa place name on the label to contain at least 75 percent fruit from Napa County. Following Napa's lead, last year, Sonoma County requested and received similar legislation from the state.

Even the European Union has recognized Napa's renowned role, and granted Napa Valley status as a Geographic Indication in 2007. It was the first wine region outside a member state of the EU to receive this designation. Indeed, it's the first American product of any kind recognized with this status in Europe, and hence guaranteed protection from counterfeiting.

In the same way, Napa has also been a leader in protecting all wine appellations. It was a founding member in the Joint Declaration to Protect Wine Place and Origin signed by leading European and New World wine regions.

The quality of the wine, and the leadership of Napa's vintners, led them to create the first consumer charity wine auction in the United States in 1981. Auction Napa Valley has given nearly \$78 million to local healthcare, affordable housing and youth services, and it's also been the inspiration for every other charity wine auction in the U.S. Napa Valley vintners have also donated wines and experiences that have helped make these other charities successful.

Napa Valley Vintners has also been at the forefront of wine education, including programs to teach consumers, educators, the media and the trade about the region's wine through programs like Master Napa Valley for advanced level MS and MW candidates, Napa Valley Wine Educators Academy for professional educators, Napa Valley Rocks for on- and off-premise trade and the Symposium for Professional Wine Writers for journalists. The NVV also supports the Rudd Center for Professional Wine Studies at the Culinary Institute of America in Napa Valley through part of the proceeds from Premiere Napa Valley.

Sustainable agriculture applies to a sustainable work force as well, and Napa County vintners and growers have been leaders in working conditions, pay, housing and opportunities for their workers. About 6,000 farm workers and 7,000 winery workers are employed by Napa's wine industry. Wages are higher than average in the Napa Valley, but housing costs are also higher, and Napa's leaders initiated a local, self-assessed tax whereby vineyard owners tax themselves nearly \$10 an acre to subsidize the valley's three farm worker housing centers for seasonal workers. This tax along with a very affordable daily rate for residents provides the funding for this work force's housing.

The NVV is setting the standard with green programs such as Napa Green Certified Land. This program, begun in 2003, looks at all aspects of a grower's property from vineyards to roads, buildings and non-farmed land to curtail erosion, reduce or eliminate pesticide use and adopt practices that will ultimately enhance the Napa River watershed and preserve or restore wildlife habitat through sustainable agriculture practices. Currently, 22,000 acres are enrolled in the program. Nearly 90 percent of the Napa River watershed is in private ownership and this public/private partnership is vital to the long term viability of the Napa Valley winegrowing community.

As a complement to Napa Green Certified Land, the NVV developed a companion program for winery production facilities. Napa Green Certified Winery extends Napa Green through the winemaking process into the winery. The program covers such issues as water and materials recycling and energy conservation to reduce the carbon footprint of wine production facilities. One example is the many Napa Valley wineries powered by the sun. A winery's solar power system can generate as much power as that



used by 20 to 30 homes, and will keep more than 7 million pounds of greenhouse gasses out of the atmosphere.

Napa Green Certified Land and Winery go beyond compliance, meeting or exceeding environmental regulations to help the businesses become more sustainable through economically viable, environmentally sensitive and socially equitable practices.

As Napa looks ahead, one major concern is potential changes in climate that could affect grape growing. Some climate models suggest Napa Valley might be heavily affected as global temperatures rise, therefore, the NVV created a Climate Study Task Force and hired two of the state's leading climate researchers from Scripps Institute and Stanford University to investigate the situation, project climate models specific to Napa Valley and help prepare tools for the future.

WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS

Napa Valley continues to maintain its commitment to agriculture with leadership from the NVV. The county sets a very high priority on maintaining the agricultural preserve and its recent draft of a new general plan states clearly: "Napa County in 2030 will remain a world-famous grape growing and winemaking region, with a viable and sustainable agricultural industry. Under this General Plan, the amount of land designated for agriculture will increase, assuming no further annexations of county land by incorporated cities and towns. New non-agricultural development will continue to be focused in the incorporated cities and already developed areas." The report continues, "Policies supporting agriculture include the long-standing 'right to farm' which ensures that new residents and new users of

land understand they inhabit an agricultural area where the viability of agriculture comes first. These policies also define all the components of agriculture encompassed by the right to farm, and perpetuate the county's longstanding commitment to protections for agricultural land. "The Plan also establishes agriculture and rural residences as the principal users of ground water aquifers and calls for data collection and long-term monitoring to ensure adequate supplies remain in the future and states that vineyard development is expected to continue, and will become increasingly environmentally sensitive as business practices and conservation priorities converge. The Napa River will increasingly run clean and healthy, supporting native fish, plants, and animals and serving as an important part of the life of the county's people. The plan emphasizes, "Napa County in 2030 will retain its rural character and outstanding quality of life."

The Napa Valley Agricultural Preserve, established forty years, ago did more than protect the land and make Napa Valley a desirable place to live and grow grapes. Long-time observer Carson believes the preserve has played a key role in helping create Napa's reputation as the top spot in the United States to make wine. "After it passed, growers could concentrate on what they do best, growing grapes, not fending off the tax collector or worrying whether their neighbors were going to sell out or develop their land."

The experiment was a complete success. Carson concludes, "It was the foundation for great winemaking in Napa Valley," and the foundation for other leadership efforts that followed.



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Now in our seventh decade, the Napa Valley Vintners (NVV) non-profit trade association is the sole organization responsible for promoting and protecting the Napa Valley Appellation as a winegrowing region second to none in the world. Respect for our history reinforces our commitment to the preservation and enhancement of the Valley's land, wine, and community for future generations. We address the shared interests of our more than 300 member wineries and aspire to be the essential organization for all Napa Valley vintners. To learn more about our organization and our programs, visit www.napavintners.com.



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