

Water System Operations Manager's Report

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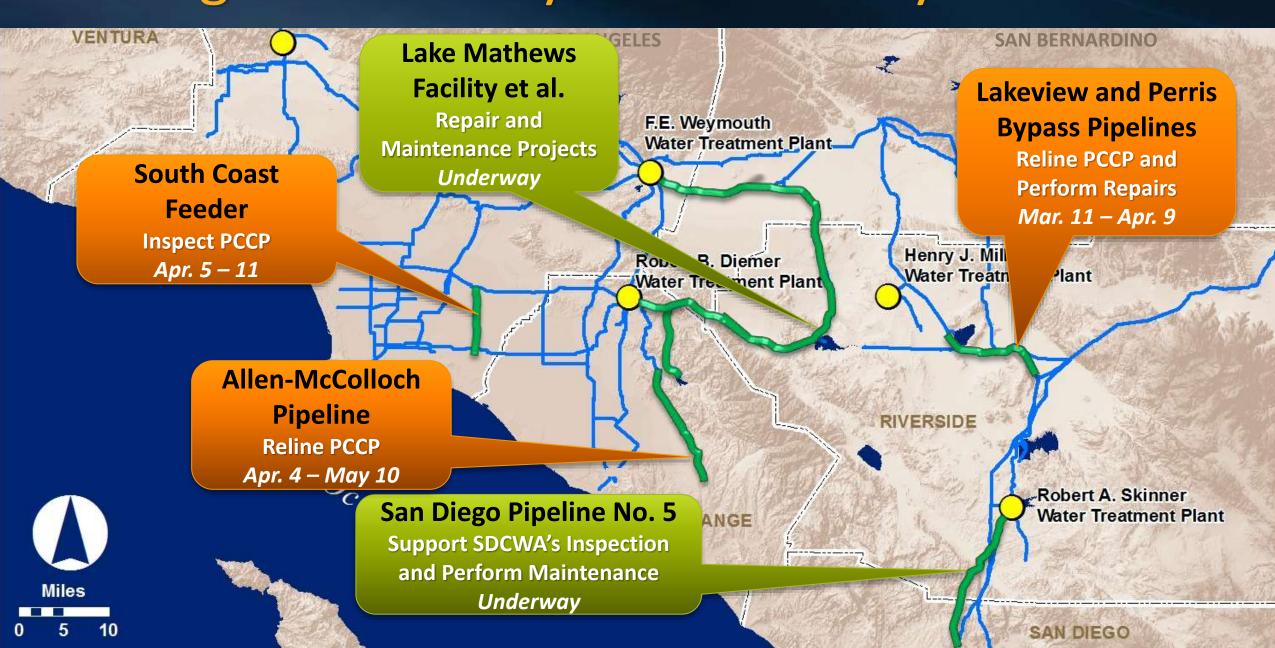
Current Operational Conditions

- 2021 SWP Allocation is 10%
- SWP blend targets are 100% at the Weymouth and Diemer plants during the Lake Mathews Shutdown
- SWP blend target is 0% at the Skinner plant
- CRA is at a 7-pump flow
- Managing storage based on WSDM principles
- February 2021 deliveries of 98 TAF were 7 TAF more than February 2020

Dry-Year Actions Underway

- Minimizing deliveries of SWP supplies (except for needed shutdown activities)
- Pumping Flex Storage from Lake Perris to Mills plant in February and March
- Began withdrawals from SWP Banking Programs on March 1
- Discussing potential water transfers with the State Water Contractors

Ensuring Continued System Reliability



Winter Storms Uri and Viola February 13-20, 2021

- Strong winter storms had dramatic impact on national energy market in February
- Storms extended throughout Midwest and deep into Texas, an important energy producing region
- Gas production in west Texas, a major source of supply to the western US, was reduced by 40 percent due to frozen gas wells
- Weather conditions impacted transportation and chemical operations in the Gulf region

Winter Storms Uri and Viola

- Rolling blackouts in Midwest, Texas, and northern Mexico
 - Loss of gas supply and extreme cold temperatures impacted gas-fired generators
 - Icy conditions impacted wind generation
- Texas system operator (ERCOT) cut power to 4.5M people
- Natural gas and electricity markets in western US saw extreme and highly unusual price spikes
 - Gas supplies to California were reduced by 20% and California gas prices spiked from \$3-4 MMBtu* to almost \$180 MMBtu

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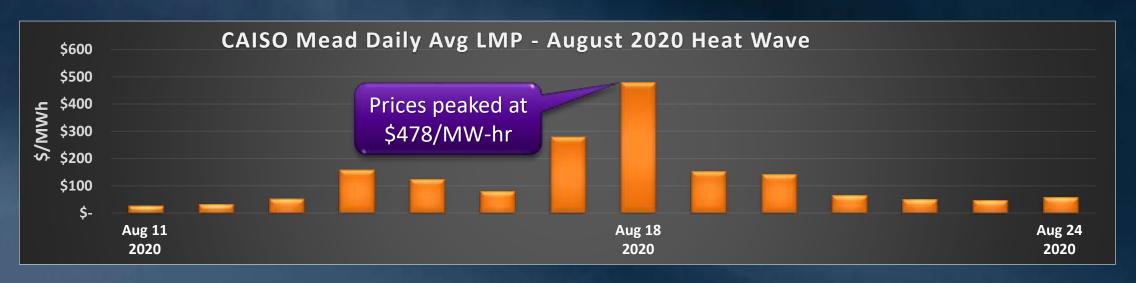
Metropolitan Actions

- Metropolitan adjusted Hoover power schedules providing more energy to the CAISO grid while gas supplies imported to California were reduced
 - Helped reduce need for gas-fired generation in California and withdrawal of gas from local storage
 - With CRA shutdown in February, these actions did not impact Metropolitan operations
- Some of Metropolitan's chemical providers were impacted, but adequate supplies were on hand and backup facilities were available for deliveries

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Recent Extreme Weather Events

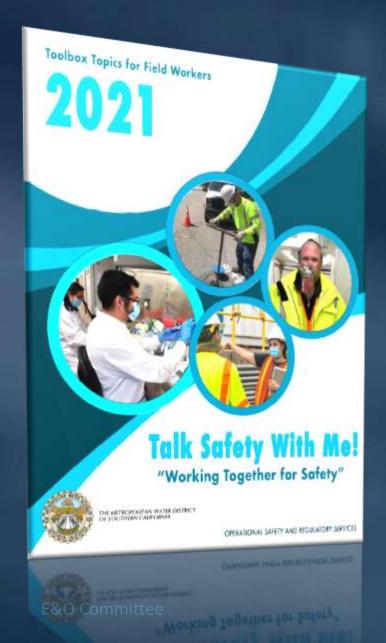
High natural gas prices drove electricity costs to nearly summer 2020 levels





LMP = Locational Marginal Prices: Price in the day ahead market at Mead shown

Commitment to Field Safety



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