# Regional Water Reuse Plan

and Secondary Equivalency for a

Smaller Point Loma Wastewater Treatment Plant



# Background

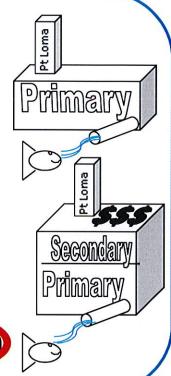
- Point Loma Wastewater Treatment Plant
  - Operated by City of San Diego
  - Serves 12 member JPA (35% of flow)
- 240 mgd Permitted Capacity
- Advanced Primary Level Treatment
- Allowed by EPA Waiver of Secondary Treatment Requirement
- Peak demand to date: 180 mgd



#### Problem #1:

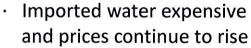
- · Permit expires 2015
- Science says no environmental harm
- Therefore Modified Permit granted
- Modified Permit allows Advanced Primary





#### Problem #2:

- San Diego at end of water supply pipeline
- Imported water at risk as competition for the resource rises



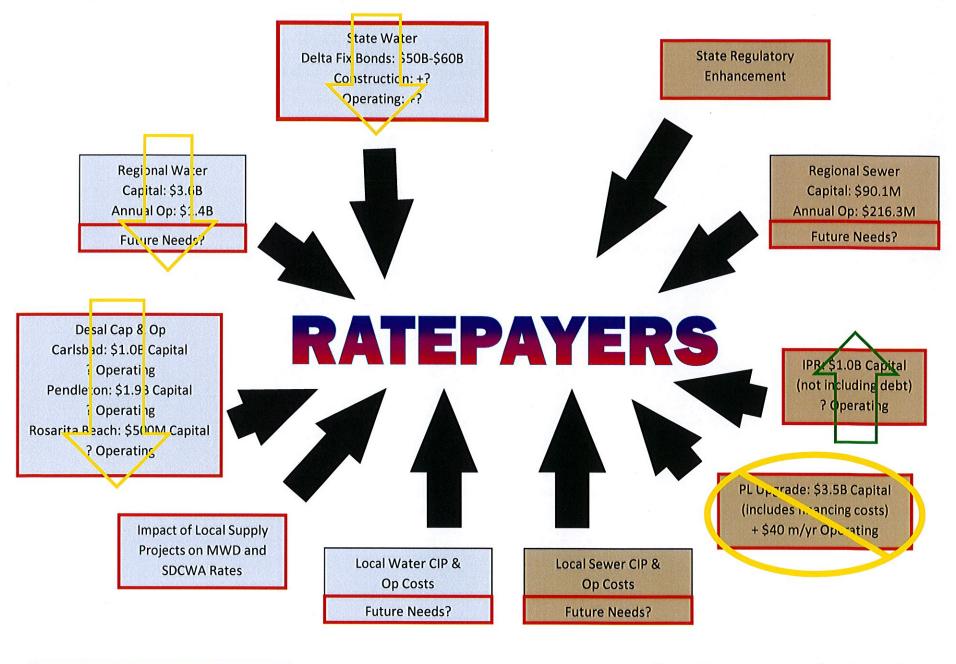
 New, local, diversified water supply is the best solution



# SOLUTION Use Problem #1 To Fix Problem #2

Secondary Equivalency: Offloading 100 mgd flow = 240 mgd treated to secondary level

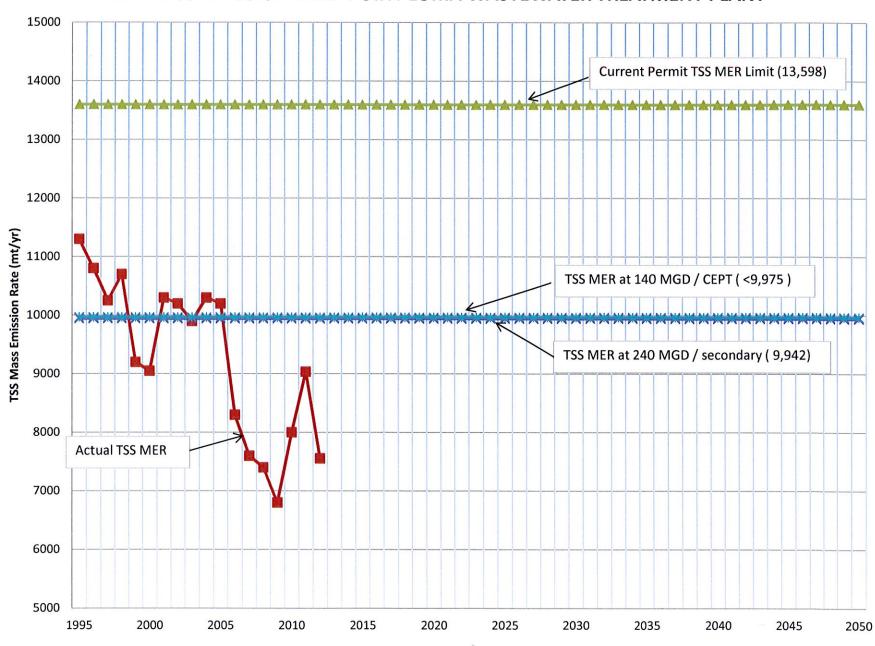
• Potable Reuse: Offloads Point Loma AND increases local, diversified water supply



Areas not currently included in rates

Cost estimates are currently wide-ranging and subject to change

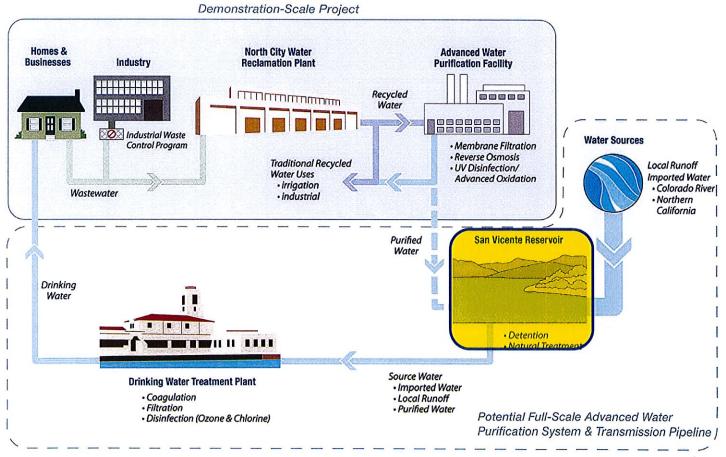
#### TSS MASS EMISSION RATE POINT LOMA WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

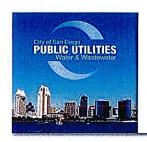


### **Potable Reuse (IPR and DPR)**

## City of San Diego's **Water Purification Demonstration Project**

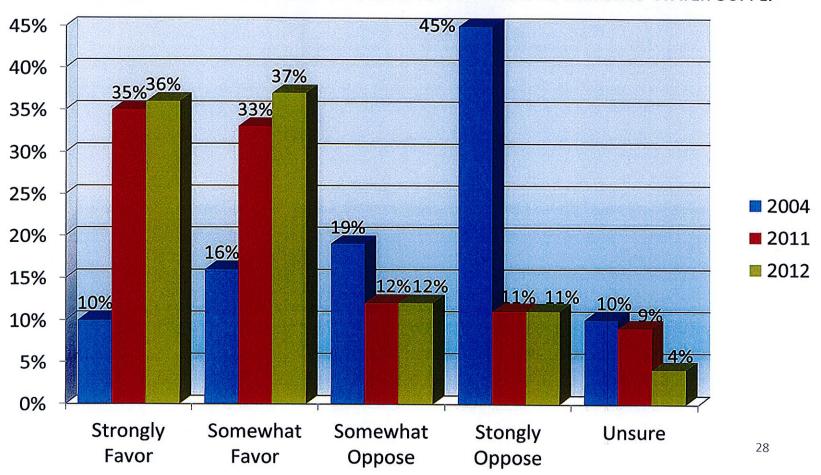
**Purification Process** 





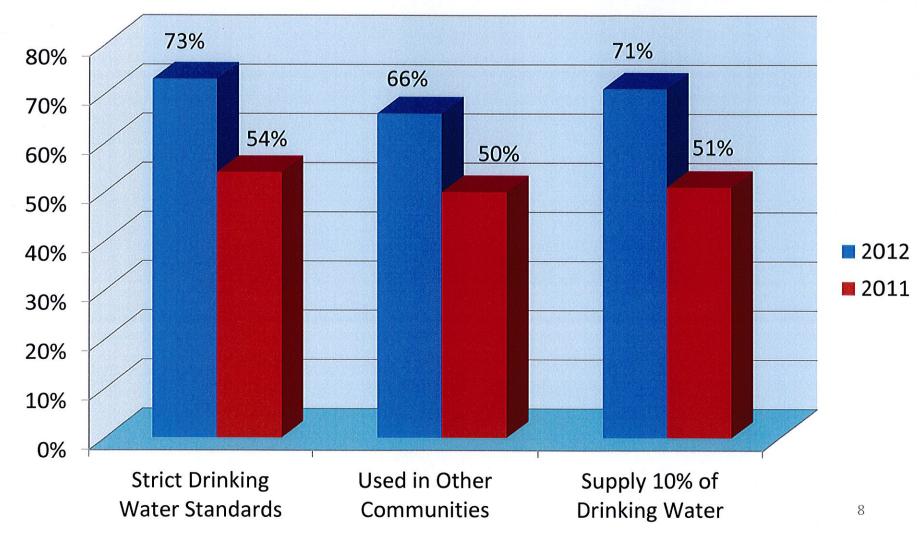
# PUBLIC OUTREACH & EDUCATION PROGRAM RESEARCH RESULTS

### USE ADVANCED TREATED RECYCLED WATER AS AN ADDITION TO DRINKING WATER SUPPLY



# Public Outreach & Education Program RESEARCH RESULTS

ACCEPTING OF RECYCLED WATER TO SUPPLEMENT DRINKING WATER IF RESPONDENT LEARNED CERTAIN FACTS



### Senate Bill 918

### **Directs CDPH to:**

- Adopt regulations for IPR/groundwater replenishment
   December 31, 2013
- Adopt regulations for IPR/reservoir augmentation
   December 31, 2016
- Report on feasibility of DPR
   December 31, 2016



# **Projected Cost Comparisons**

	2016 - 2035	Notes
MET Treated Water Projection	\$1,522 - \$4,000	Does not include adjustment for 1.2 M AF of local water supply development or 650,000 AF in planned and state-mandated conservation
		SDCWA Projection 03/15/201

	2012	
Carlsbad Desal	\$2,257	
	SDCWA News Release 03/08/13	

Gross Cost	Less Avoided CIP	Less Salinity	Less Pt Loma Upgrades
	(-\$600)	(-\$100)	(-\$400)
IPR \$1,700 - \$1,900	\$1,100 - \$1,300	\$1,000 - \$1,200	\$600 - \$800

City of San Diego Recycled Water Study Presentation 05/03/12

Potential Additional Avoided/Downsized Projects	Year	2013 Cost Projection
SDCWA: Camp Pendleton Desal	2025+	\$15.72 Billion
SDCWA: Colorado River Transmission	2035+	\$10.07 Billion
SDCWA: Local Pipeline Conveyance Constraints	2020+	YTBD
State: Bay Delta Conveyance	2025+	\$50 – \$60 Billion

### Recommendations

- Create Long Range (20-30 year) Regional Water Reuse Program focused on potable water reuse that:
  - Provides new, local, sustainable water supply (≈83 mgd)
  - Offloads PLWTP to ≈143 MGD
- Obtain Legislation to permit SMALLER Secondary Equivalent PLWTP (≈143 MGD) that:
  - Avoids billions of dollars in capital, financing, energy and operating costs
  - Continues to protect the ocean environment



## **Current Activity**

- Resolutions of Support
  - JPA Members
  - Metro JPA
- City of SD, Environmental & JPA Stakeholders
  - Secondary Equivalency
  - Federal Legislation/Judicial Action
  - January 2014

