



San Diego County Water Authority

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Dear Community Member:

The San Diego County Water Authority thanks all who submitted input during the scoping period for the Carryover Storage Project environmental study. The draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement for the Carryover Storage and San Vicente Dam Raise Project is now available for public review and comment until **October 15, 2007**. Copies of the draft EIR/EIS are available online at **www.sdcwa.org** or are available for public review at the following locations:

Lakeside Public Library
9839 Vine St.
Lakeside, CA 92040

Valley Center Public Library
29200 Cole Grade Rd.
Valley Center, CA 92082

Community Input and Comments

During the 45-day review period, the Water Authority will receive comments on the draft EIR/EIS. All comments must be received no later than October 15, 2007. You may fax, mail (postmarked no later than October 15, 2007), or email written comments to:

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The Water Authority will also hold two public hearings to receive comments on the draft EIR/EIS:

Thursday, October 4, 2007
Valley Center High School
Maxine Theater
31322 Cole Grade Rd.
Valley Center, CA 92082

Monday, October 8, 2007
Lakeside Community Center
9841 Vine St.
Lakeside, CA 92040

A 30-minute open house will precede both hearings at 6:30 p.m. The actual hearings will begin promptly at 7 p.m.

For more information about the Carryover Storage Project environmental study or the public hearings, please contact Kelley Gage at **(858) 522-6763**. For all other information on the project, please call the toll-free project information line at **(877) 426-2010**, or visit the Water Authority's website at **www.sdcwa.org**. Click on "Infrastructure," then "CIP," then "Carryover Storage Project."

Sincerely,

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San Diego County Water Authority

**Carryover Storage Project
Draft Environmental Document
Available for Public Review**

San Vicente Dam Raise and Carryover Storage Project Background

A 2002 Water Authority study identified a need for an additional 100,000 acre-feet of stored water in San Diego County for use during droughts or other times of shortage. Since then, the Water Authority has considered raising the San Vicente Dam beyond what is planned for the Emergency Storage Project.

This “Carryover Storage” of an additional 100,000 acre-feet of water at San Vicente Reservoir would require raising the dam an additional 63 feet beyond the 54 feet originally planned and increasing the height of the dam by a total of 117 feet. Water Authority staff also studied three other alternatives including building a new dam at Moosa Valley in northern San Diego County, near Valley Center.

The 54-foot San Vicente Dam Raise is part of the Water Authority’s Emergency Storage Project, designed to make water available to the San Diego region in the event of an interruption in imported water deliveries, such as an earthquake or a prolonged drought. Construction is scheduled to begin in 2009.



Project Manager Jeff Shoaf answers questions at an open house last year.