



Mendocino County
Board of Supervisors
Drought Task Force Update



July 13, 2021



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Countywide Drought Task Force



Board of Supervisors Ad Hoc Committee:

Supervisor John Haschak

Supervisor Glenn McGourty



Convening Monthly

2nd Thursday, 4:00-5:30pm

2021 Q3 & Q4 Meeting Dates:

- July 8
- August 12
- September 9
- October 14
- November 11
- December 9



About Regional Government Services (RGS)



- **RGS is a public agency** serving the consulting, administrative and project management needs of **local governments**
- Offers **deep expertise in local government** processes
- Bring **program management best practices** and **relationships** to work for client agencies



Mendocino County Program



Phase 1: Drought Emergency Response (Q2-Q4 2021)

- Drought Task Force – Emergency Response Coordination
- Information Hub – Support County to Identify & Pursue Project Funding

Phase 2: Mendocino County Water Agency (MCWA) Futures (Q3/Q4 2021)*

- Organizational & Governance Structures
- Workplan Development
- Funding Alternatives

Phase 3: MCWA Implementation (Q1/Q2 2022)*

- Board of Supervisors Actions (Workplan Approval, Funding Mechanism(s))
- Financing
- Staffing



**Phase 1 covered under emergency contract NTE \$50k up to 6 months. Phase 2 & 3 will involve competitive procurement and/or hiring processes.*



Site Visit Report



Community Meetings:

6/29: Anderson Valley CSD

6/29: Mendocino CSD

6/30: City of Fort Bragg

6/30: City of Willits



Site Visits:

6/30: Redwood Valley Rancheria

7/1: Rogina Water District

7/1: Lake Mendocino, Eel River



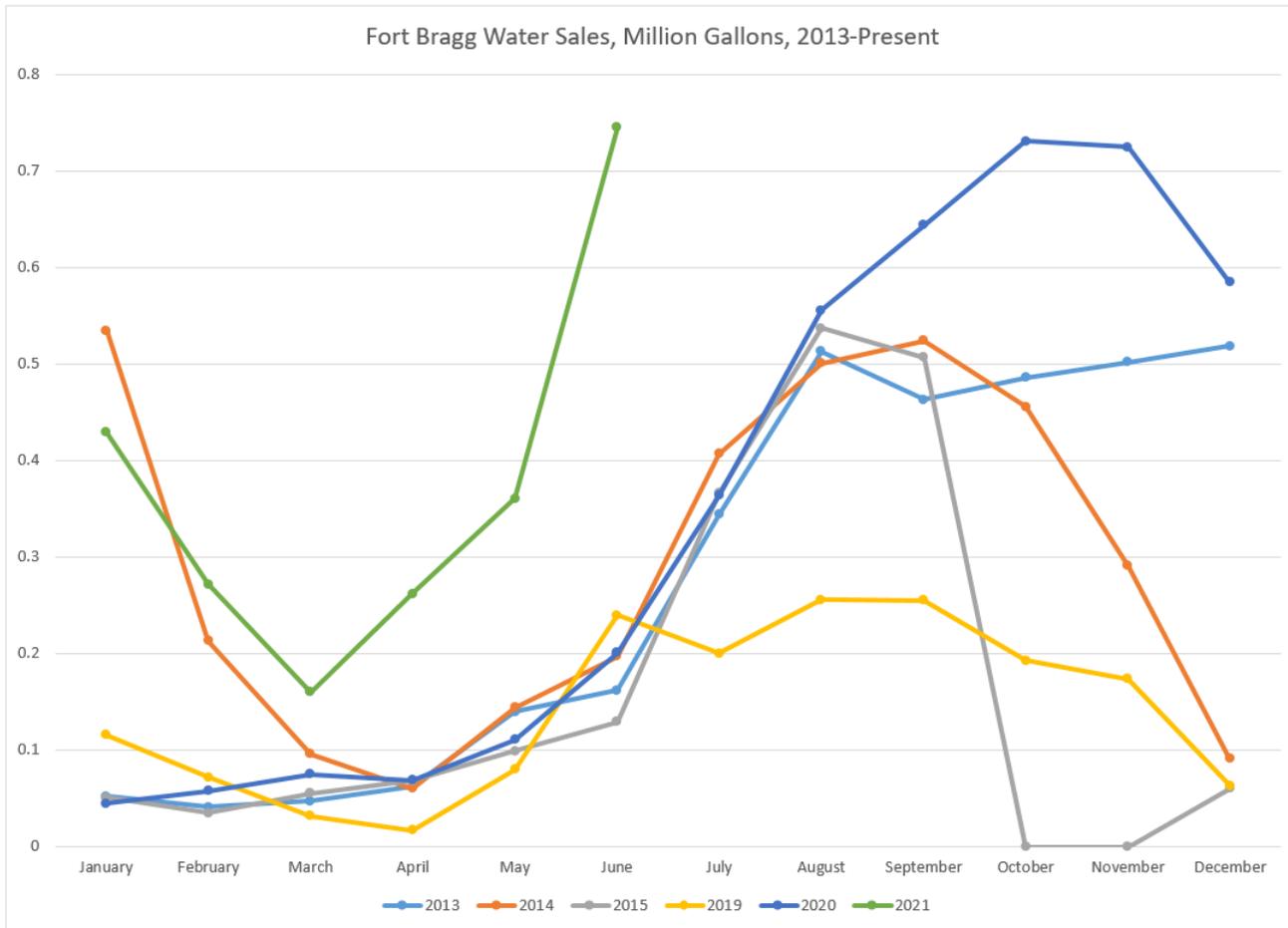
Site Visit Key Findings



- Community Leaders
- Dwindling Supplies
- Disconnected Infrastructure
- Regional Interdependency
- Emergency Responses
- Policy Actions



Drought Task Force Data Needs



Urgency Items



- Policy Recommendation: Temporarily waive permitting requirements for up to 5000 gal storage tanks for domestic needs
- Possible Actions:
 - **Engage local, State, Federal partners and the private sector to ensure community drinking water needs are met**
 - Coastal communities
 - Groundwater
 - **Prioritize water supplies**
 - Health & human safety
 - Economic vibrancy
 - Environmental resiliency
 - **Compile water status data**



Discussion



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