

## City of Ukiah

### Comments of the August 2021 Ukiah Valley Groundwater Sustainability Plan

#### Public Draft Report

#### Executive Summary

- Pg. 5 List of Acronyms should include MO and MT
- Pg. 10, Line 196 Should read 120,000-acre feet not 12,000
- Pg. 11, Lines 224-229 This paragraph states that there is a groundwater depression “located around the City of Ukiah” that is the “most significant feature in the UVB” and “likely the greatest source of groundwater discharge in the basin”. The City is aware of that data supporting this statement this may be erroneous. The City recommends reviewing the revised contour map and removing this paragraph.
- Pg. 17, Line 295 “Little” should be removed as no subsidence has been observed.
- Pg. 17, Lines 312-323 This section should acknowledge ESA-listed anadromous fisheries with the GSA
- Pg. 21, Lines 349-353 This section should acknowledge the significant recharge contributions of the City of Ukiah’s and Calpella’s WWTPs. Data is available in *Characterization of the Ukiah Valley Groundwater Basin, Final Report, Prepared for: City of Ukiah Maritza Flores Marquez, M.S., EIT, Samuel Sandoval Solis, Ph.D., and, Romina Díaz Gómez, Ph.D. Postdoctoral Researcher, CONICET June 2017 Pg 78.*
- Pg. 22, Table 2 Water Budget should include recharge contributions noted above.

#### Chapter 2: Plan Area and Basin Setting

- Pg. 16, Line 266 The City no longer contracts with RRFC.
- Pg. 16, line 269 The City has a pre-1914 right, not pre-1949.
- Pg. 16, Line 273 The City no longer contracts with RRFC.
- Pg. 32, Line 654 This section should acknowledge the significant recharge contributions of the City of Ukiah’s and Calpella’s WWTPs. Data is available in *Characterization of the Ukiah Valley Groundwater Basin, Final Report, Prepared for: City of Ukiah Maritza Flores Marquez, M.S., EIT, Samuel Sandoval Solis, Ph.D., and, Romina Díaz Gómez, Ph.D. Postdoctoral Researcher, CONICET June 2017 Pg 78.*

Pg.32, Line 658	The hydrology of the percolation ponds have been studied extensively and do not “flow to the river”. See <i>Fate and Transport of Wastewater Treatment Plant Discharge Percolation Ponds, City of Ukiah, California, Balance Hydraulics, Inc. May 2010.</i>
Page 32, Lines 665-666	The cited 2010 UWMP is dated. Please referring to <i>City of Ukiah Final 2020 UWMP</i> for current information.
Pg. 96, Lines 1550-1551	Restates inaccurate information related to groundwater elevations near the City as a result of pumping.
Pg. 97, lines 1590-1593	Restates inaccurate information related to groundwater elevations near the City as a result of pumping.
Pg. 115, Lines 1846-1847	Restates inaccurate information related to groundwater elevations near the City as a result of pumping.
Pg. 120, Figure 39	Based on conversation with LWA staff this figure has been revised and should be replaced.
Pg. 121, Figure 40	Based on conversation with LWA staff this figure has been revised and should be replaced.
Pg. 129, Line 1929	The City, as part of its NPDES permit has monitored Groundwater WQ in the valley at a number of sites and has not observed any trends to support this statement.
Pg. 140-145	Figure legend color scale do not match figures icons.
Pg. 150	Figure depicts “measurements” outside range of accuracy and uses scales that artificially exaggerate observations.
Pg. 165	Distribution, density, and range described is inaccurate.
Pg. 172	Distribution, density, and range described is inaccurate.

### **Chapter 3: Sustainable Management Criteria**

Pg. 32, Line 882	“not a problem” should be restated to not observed.
Pg. 53	Figure depicts “measurements” outside range of accuracy and uses scales that artificially exaggerate observations.

#### **Chapter 4: Projects and Management Actions**

- Page 4, Lines 13-21            Section should note that currently neither actions or projects are needed to achieve sustainability as there are no indicators suggesting overdraft.
- Page 8, line 115                The cited 2015 UWMP is dated. Please referring to *City of Ukiah Final 2020 UWMP* for current information.
- Page 9, Table 2                 The correct name for the City's reuse project is the Recycled Water Project.