

# Strategic Plan

Protect water quality and drinking water supplies and water resources.

The utilities department is in the process of managing water resources to meet current and future needs. Our goals and methodology for improving water quality, access and sustainability.

**1. Ensure surface water quality, flow, and management protect fish, wildlife, watersheds and ecosystems.**

-Stillwater Science has completed an Instream Flow Study of the San Simeon Creek, and a contract for the Santa Rosa Creek Instream Flow Study is being finalized.

**2. Strengthen Internal capacity and infrastructure resilience.**

Perform and implement an Infrastructure Renewal Program.

Update Water Master Plan.

Update Urban Water Management Plan.

Evaluate the Wastewater Collection system for I&I. Develop a data set for prioritizing collections system improvements, repair, and resilience.

-Complete Stuart Street Tank Replacement Project.

-Evaluate Liemert Domestic Storage Tank and operations relating to the Tract 1804 development.

-Complete San Simeon Transmission Line Replacement Project.

-Complete LS B4 replacement project

-Continue to budget and evaluate Rodeo Grounds Booster Station/ SR3 Treatment Plant Relocation.

-Complete ZLD Pilot Testing.

-Confirm the efficacy of ZLD.

-Discuss and consider incorporation of San Simeon Wastewater and collaboration for the SLO County Regional Desal Project.

-Maintain communication with the US Army Corps of Engineers.

-Complete Santa Rosa Well #3 Rehabilitation.

Utilities staff are looking to go back to the basics and reevaluate the district's infrastructure with respect to current climate conditions, community consumption, and vulnerabilities in our system related to fire flow and domestic storage.

A revised assessment is essential for determining the priorities for repairs and future enhancements.