

# LOMPICO ASSESSMENT DISTRICT ANNUAL REPORT 2019

This report covers the time period from inception June 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019



The Lompico Assessment District Oversight Committee (LADOC), with the approval of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District (SLVWD) Board of Directors (BoD) is pleased to present the LADOC 2019 First Annual Report.

LOMPICO ASSESSMENT DISTRICT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE-LADOC Toni Norton-Chair, Mary Ann LoBalbo-Vice Chair, Debra Loewen and Norm Hagen

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This report covers the time period from 6/1/2016 through 6/30/2019. LADOC will strive to deliver the report each remaining year of the Assessment District term, which is scheduled to continue through June of 2025.

We are committed to meeting the following Annual Report guidelines as specified in the:

# LADOC CHARTER:

- 1. A statement indicating whether the proposed Assessment District expenditures are in compliance with the requirements as set forth in the Assessment District ballot measure Engineer's Report.
- 2. A statement indicating whether the prior fiscal year Assessment District expenditures have been reviewed by LADOC and are in compliance with the requirements as set forth in the Assessment District ballot measure Engineer's Report. Said statement shall include an itemization and summary of the prior fiscal year Assessment District revenues and expenditures. Included in the itemization and summary shall be information about any loans related to completing the Assessment District projects (i.e., terms, interest and balances.)
- 3. Any other information LADOC deems as useful for furthering understanding of Assessment District revenue and expenses, projects, funding, history or purpose.
- 4. The Annual Report shall be based on the District Fiscal Year and will be completed as soon as possible after June 30, each year, using preliminary data.

The Lompico Assessment Oversight Committee, as of publishing date: February 2020 Toni Norton-Chair, Mary Ann LoBalbo-Vice Chair, Debra Loewen and Norm Hagen Questions regarding the Annual Report may be directed to: LADOC@SLVWD.com

Staff Support: District Manager-Rick Rogers, Finance Manager-Stephanie Hill and District Secretary Holly Hossack.

San Lorenzo Valley Water District, 13080 Highway Nine, Boulder Creek, CA 95006 Board of Directors: Lois Henry-President, Bob Fultz-VP, Lew Farris-Director, Steve Swan-Director, Rick Moran-Director





# LADOC CHARTER

#### LADOC MISSION STATEMENT

To serve as a Liaison between the Lompico Assessment District customers and the District. To strive to advocate for the community and obtain answers to questions and concerns regarding Lompico Assessment District expenditures and projects. Commitment to Excellence. LADOC is committed to applying the highest standards to public outreach, research and reporting, with excellent representation on behalf of AD-16 property owners, exemplifying the District's commitment to transparency and support.

#### LADOC PURPOSE

The purpose of the Committee is to review and oversee income and expenses related to construction projects in the Assessment District AD-16 Engineer's Report, to serve as liaison for customers residing within the Lompico Assessment District boundaries, and to inform the Board and public at least annually concerning the revenue and expenditure of assessment district proceeds and projects approved by the voters of Lompico on March 6, 2015, by issuing a written report.

#### COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of San Lorenzo Valley Water District (the "District") established the Lompico Assessment District Oversight Committee (LADOC, or the "Committee"), in accordance with Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) resolution 953-A for annexation, also called the "merger" agreement. On May 4, 2016, Lompico property owners voted in favor of a 10-year assessment district (AD 2016-1) to generate \$2.75 million in revenue to repair, replace and upgrade infrastructure in the Lompico service area, as requirement for joining the District. The resolution was amended from a "bond" to an "assessment" for the revenue source and went into effect on June 1, 2016. The first five members of the Lompico Oversight Committee were seated on July 21, 2016 by Board action, in accordance with provisions of amendment to Section 15 of the Board Procedure Manual (May 19, 2016) and duties as amended on January 28, 2019 in an updated charter. Many of these changes were initiated due to recommendations outlined in the Grand Jury Report "Encouraging the Flow of Information to the Public" published May 31, 2018.

To view entire charter at: <u>https://sanlorenzocawater.pt7.civic-</u> <u>cms.com/sites/sanlorenzocawater/files/uploads/ladoc\_charter.pdf</u>

# **BALANCE SHEET AND PROJECT STATUS**

### LOMPICO ASSESSMENT DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET

Running Totals Since Inception	TOTAL	FY1819	FY1718	FY1617	FY1516
ASSESSMENT REVENUE	\$922,013	\$309,126	\$301,377	\$282,580	\$28,930
EXPENSES					
METER PROGRAM	-\$197,888			-\$197,888	
SCADA	-\$19,540			-\$19,540	)
SCADA SURVEY	-\$8,257	-\$8,257			
SERVICE LINES	-\$43,982	-\$19,694	-\$24,288		
MAIN PRV	-\$36,820	-\$30,292	-\$6,528		
Lewis Tank	-\$23,242	-\$23,242			
Madrone Tank	-\$23,242	-\$23,242			
Kaski Tank	-\$23,242	-\$23,242			
NBS Administration Services*	\$15,513	-\$4,593	-\$10,920		
	-\$391,726				
CASH BALANCE	\$530,287				
*Company that provides admini	strative services for Asse	ssment Distric	ts		
LOMPICO ASSE	SSMENT DISTRICT PR	<b>ROJECTS AND</b>	<b>) EXPENSES</b> **	*	
			Assessme	nt	Prelim
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT PROJECTS	STATUS	1	Estimate	e BID	work Total
Install 3 New Bolted Steel Tanks			\$ 682,50	0	
	Engineering and c	onsulting			\$ 23,242
Lewis Tank(s) – replace two	completed-awaiting F	REQ response	·		
	Engineering and c	-			\$ 23,242
Madrone Tank(s) – replace two	complete		_		
	Engineering and c	-			\$ 23,242
Kaski Tank(s) -replace two	complete	:d			
Refurbish Mill Creek WTP	Project cancelled -	see details	\$ 105,00	0	\$-
Service Line and Me	ter Replacements		\$ 862,50	0	
Meter Program	Complete	e			\$ 197,888
Service Line/Lateral	Ongoing - 38 replaced	d - see details			\$ 43,982
Distribution System Interconnect	Ongoing - see	details	\$ 301,00	0	\$-
SCADA System	Temporary- see	details	\$ 441,00	0	\$ 27,797
Remove and Replace Existing PRVs	In progre		\$ 358,00		\$
6 PRV units on water mains	Expenses for consu	Iting work.		х	\$ 36,820
	Awarded Bid for all		1	1	1

\*\* Represents all Assessment revenue and expenses since inception of Lompico Assessment District. Please see Assessment District AD-16 Engineer's Report included for additional details regarding estimates.

## LETTER FROM THE LADOC CHAIR

Dear Residents of the Lompico Assessment District and Customers of SLVWD,

It's been a tough three years, but finally we are on track for meeting our goal to deliver safe, reliable, clean water to the taps of Lompico Assessment District homes.

- Thanks to a grant provided by the State of California, we have an Intertie connected to SLVWD that consistently delivers the safe, clean water we need and deserve. As the District Manager will explain in his report, updates to the Intertie are still required to meet future flow requirements.
- Finally, there are specific plans and timelines in place to address all of the projects listed in the Assessment District Engineer's Report. You'll read the details in the District Manager report
- We have a District Manager that is extremely knowledgeable about the specific water needs of the entire San Lorenzo Valley, including Lompico. He is dedicated to completing the Assessment projects as quickly and efficiently as possible always with an eye to cost savings. DM Rick Rogers is also accessible, responsive and quick in addressing our concerns.
- Your LADOC Committee now has standing quarterly meetings with SLVWD Finance Director, Stephanie Hill and District Manager, Rick Rogers where we are provided with detailed financial reports updating us on the expenditures of the Assessment District funds and status regarding the Assessment Engineering Report projects. Under the direction of the previous District Manager, we were allowed minimal interaction with the SLVWD Finance Department, and were provided minimal financial information.
- We now have a SLVWD Board in place that understands and supports the terms of the Merger Agreement's requirement for an Oversight Committee. They willingly give us access to information, assistance from their staff and support our desire and responsibility to report back to the Lompico Assessment District Community.
- With the full support and approval of the Board, with no restrictions, our committee published both the Lompico Assessment District Oversight Committee (LADOC) Charter and the Assessment District First (ever!) Annual Report.

While I can't say all the recommended steps to support the Lompico Assessment District Oversight Committee (LADOC) listed in last year's May 2018 Grand Jury have been fulfilled, many have and I have confidence that we'll get there soon.

We welcome both the residents living in the Lompico Assessment District and all customers of San Lorenzo Valley Water District to attend our Quarterly Meetings that are held currently at the SLVWD Operations Building. We schedule additional meetings, as needed and try to hold them at the Zayante Fire Station, if the space is available. All meetings are posted on the SLVWD.com website and the public is always welcome.

I am certain you all join in our hope that the projects will be successfully completed, Lompico's Infrastructure will be safe and sound and the LADOC's responsibilities will be fulfilled! Sincerely,

Toni Norton Lompico Resident and LADOC Chair



# **BRIEF HISTORY of LOMPICO COUNTY WATER DISTRICT**

Lompico County Water District was formed in 1963 by the community of Lompico Canyon, located within the watershed of San Lorenzo River in the Santa Cruz Mountains. In 1964, the 70 registered voters in Lompico approved a 1.5 million dollar water infrastructure bond. In 1974 the State of California set a moratorium limiting customer hookups to no more than 500, based on a limited water supply. The system was completed in 1978, and the last of the four series of 40year bonds paid off in 2018.

The district's water sources were from Lompico Creek, a federally protected steelhead trout habitat, and half a dozen wells located in the low-yield Monterey aguifer.

After several earlier attempts, in response to recommendations by State and County agencies, Lompico resumed talks in 2010 with larger neighboring water district SLVWD as to the possibility of a merger. In 2015 Lompico County Water District (LCWD) was named by the State as one of 17 small water systems in danger of running out of water resources during the drought.





Thanks to an emergency grant from the State of California, an intertie was installed connecting LCWD to SLVWD. The emergency intertie has been converted to a full-time water supply for Lompico Canyon residents. Future upgrades will be funded via the Assessment District funds which became available, after a successful annexation and Assessment vote was completed in 2016.

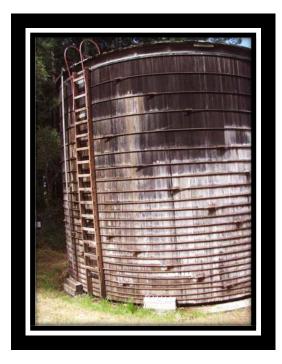
# WHAT IS AN ASSESSMENT DISTRICT?\*

.....and how much do we pay and for how long?

"Assessment districts have been in use in California for the past 150 years. Local agencies, including cities, counties, and special districts, may establish assessment districts for the purposes of financing all or a portion of the cost of certain public improvements and services. Each property within an assessment district is assessed an amount sufficient to cover the proportional cost of the special benefit that it receives from the improvements or services that are paid for by the assessment."

"The proposed assessment must be supported by a detailed engineer's report prepared by a registered professional engineer, which would, under Proposition 218 ... include identifying the parcels that will receive a special benefit from the improvements or services to be funded by the assessment, determining the proportionality of the special benefit among the parcels, and making certain the assessment levied upon a parcel is not greater than its proportionate share of the costs of the special benefit received." \*From the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission, State Treasurer's Office, www.treasurer.ca.gov/cdiac/

The Assessment amount for each improved parcel having a water meter in Lompico is \$587 a year for ten years, per the Engineer's Report, calculated at 500 service connections. In addition, the Assessment District allowed the County to add a small fee to collect the revenue on property taxes, initially up to 2% of the annual installment.

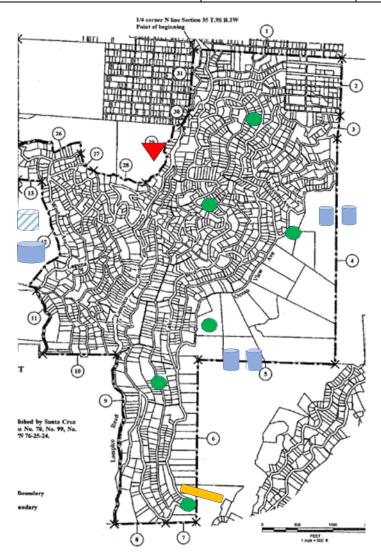


**Current Lewis Tank** 

# **ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR LOMPICO ASSESSMENT DISTRICT**

The Assessment required an Engineer's Report, describing its specific purpose: Established a fund for construction projects in Lompico Six projects:

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Replacement of 6 redwood tanks	\$682,500	3 sites	
Refurbish Mill Creek treatment plant	\$105,000		
Service line and meter replacement	\$862,500	System wide	
Distribution system Interconnection	\$301,000		
SCADA (automated control system)	\$441,000	System wide	
Replace PRVs (pressure reducing valves)	\$358,000	6 sites	
Total Construction	\$2,750,000		
Loan Interest	\$183,734		
Total Assessment	\$2,933, 734		



# LOMPICO ASSESSMENT DISTRICT PROJECTS

Lompico Assessment District Projects Overview (Information provided by District Manager Rick Rogers)





Lompico currently has five redwood tanks in operation, for a total of 340,000 gallons of water in storage. Just prior to the merger a sixth redwood tank (Lewis 2) was taken out of service due to leakage. The assessment district provided funding for replacement of all six tanks. The tank locations are Kaski, Madrone, and Lewis. Capacity of the tanks at each location will be determined by computer modeling of the water system to ensure adequate water storage for fire or disaster. Total capacity for the six tanks will be at least 440,000 gallons of stored water. The redwood tanks will be replaced with steel nut & bolt design.



#### Mill Creek Water Treatment Plant

The assessment district provides funding for upgrading and repairs to the Mill Creek Water Treatment plant. The treatment plant is a MEMCOR pressurized, pre-engineered membrane system package water treatment plant. During premerger inspections the system was off line due to drought conditions, basically there was no water in Lompico Creek. The system also experienced maintenance and electrical control issues requiring extensive staff time.

Initial pre-merger planning was operating Lompico as a stand-alone water system requiring the use of all Lompico sources of supply. By the time the merger was finalized operations changed to operating Lompico as pressure zone, part of the North System and not utilizing Lompico sources of supply. Under these circumstances the treatment plant will not be needed.



#### Service Lines and Meters

The assessment district provides funding for replacing all (approximately 500) of Lompico Water meters and service lines. Existing service lines have been failing due to a poor quality Polybutylene material service lines. Polybutylene is a form of plastic resin that was used extensively in the manufacture of water supply piping from 1978 until 1995. We believe it was installed in at least 6 million homes. Due to the low cost of the material and ease of installation, polybutylene piping systems were viewed as "the pipe of the future" and were used as a substitute for traditional copper piping. It is believed that oxidants in the public water supplies, such as chlorine, react with the polybutylene piping and acetyl fittings causing them to scale and flake becoming brittle and resulting in failure. At the time of the merger it was estimated that 68 service lines had been replaced by Lompico Staff. The domestic water meters need to be replaced due to age and ability to retrofit to the District's meter reading software. The District selected the new Badger Meter with "Eye on Water" software that lets you connect to customer's water account to you see how much water you're using and can even alert you to possible leaks on your property. This can be done while you're on vacation using your smart phone.

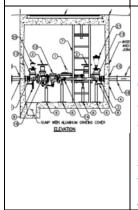
#### Interconnection

The assessment district provides for upgrading the existing Lompico/SLVWD Interconnection located at the end of Zayante Drive. During the planning stages of the merger an interconnection was required due to the ongoing lack of water supply in Lompico. The 2014 drought exacerbated already difficult water supply conditions for Lompico. Lompico Water was one of 17 water systems identified in California that could run out of water in 60-120 days. Funding assistance from the Governor's Office of Emergency Services was requested and approved to fund the construction of an emergency interconnection. The temporary intertie was only able to produce 80 gallons per minute instead of the engineered 150 gallons per minute, at a bare minimum, as funded to keep Lompico in water. The assessment district project provides funding for upgrading the booster pump to 150 GPM and replace existing undersized (2 inch) main line along Zayante Drive supplying water to the booster pump.



Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA)

SCADA is a computer system for gathering and analyzing real time data. SCADA systems are used to monitor and control water tank levels, high/low level alarms, start/stop pumps or equipment with remote monitoring. Lompico's existing SCADA system had reached its life expectancy and was no longer functioning at the time of the merger. Staff was required to run the system by manual operations driving to each individual tank checking water levels several time a day. As part of the merger SLVWD purchased and installed a temporary SCADA system to reduce staff time operating the water system. The assessment district provides funding for a complete comprehensive SCADA system which would integrate into the District's main SCADA system and determined that this system will integrate into the District Main SCADA system and not require replacement. This is a substantial cost savings.



Pressure Reducing Valve Stations (PRVs)

Due to the step topography of the Lompico Canyon water pressure must be regulated to avoid high water pressure damage to mainlines, fire hydrants and customer plumbing. To provide water pressure throughout the Lompico Canyon are eight PRV Stations. The existing stations have reached their life expectancy and are no longer regulating pressure resulting in pressure spikes in excess of 150 PSI. With a change in the water tank replacement locations and increasing storage at key locations, one of the PRV stations will not be required, reducing the number of stations to be replaced to seven. The PRV sites are on Coleman Ave, Van Allen Rd, Edgewood Dr., Visitar St, Lake Blvd and Lakeview Ave.

# **DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT**



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January 24, 2020

#### Lompico Assessment District Customers

After a long, tireless campaign by dedicated Lompicans concerned with water quality and quantity, on May 4, 2016, Lompico property owners voted approval of a 10-year assessment district (AD-2016-1) to generate \$2.75 million in revenue to repair, replace and upgrade infrastructure in Lompico and to consolidate with the San Lorenzo Valley Water District.

On June 1, 2016, the consolidation of Lompico County Water District (LCWD) was finalized and the San Lorenzo Valley Water District took over ownership and operations of the Lompico water district. Shortly after, as required by the assessment, on July 21, 2016, the District's Board of Directors created the Lompico Oversight Committee.

San Lorenzo Valley Water District, working with a group of LCWD Board of Directors and property owners facilitated a list of Capital Projects that the district required for a successful transition. The \$2.75 million project list consisted of the following projects:

- Replacement of all water storage tanks; Lewis, Kaski, and Madrone
- Repair and upgrade to the Mill Creek Surface Water Treatment Plant
- Replacement of all water meters and service lines
- Replacement of all SCADA Controls
- Upgrade of transmission water main to the Lompico Booster (SLV side)
- Replacement of all Pressure Regulating Stations (PRV valves)

When the list of projects was developed the District was looking to operate the system as "stand-alone" with a separate water supply permit. As time went on circumstances changed and it was determined that we could consolidate Lompico into the San Lorenzo Valley Water District and operate as a pressure zone saving substantial operational costs, reducing the operational surcharge, and eliminating the need to repair and upgrade the Mill Creek Surface Water Treatment Plant.

Before consolidation and the last year of Lompico ownership, the San Lorenzo Valley Water Operational Staff worked very closely with Lompico staff learning operations. It needs to be stated that the Lompico Board of Directors and staff operated the Lompico system with pride and professionalism under circumstances that were not ideal. Field staff worked 7 days a week and Board members were performing as staff.

When SLVWD took over ownership the priorities were water quality and quantity. The District performed an aggressive main line flushing program which involved cleaning mainlines and removing sediment which was causing degraded water quality and not meeting state water quality standards. All Lompico water sources which were producing objectionable water quality were shut down. To ensure maximum water storage and monitoring alarms the District installed a temporary SCADA system within the first six months. Additionally, all water meters were changed out to configure into the District billing system.

The District is moving forward with the construction of projects. The PRV valve station will be completed by February 2020, and water tank replacement projects (6 tanks) is anticipated to begin construction Spring of 2020. After the total construction costs of the Lompico Tanks project are known, and the costs of the projects completed to date, the District and the Lompico Assessment District Oversight Committee will reevaluate total funds remaining and discuss moving forward with the methodology to complete the remaining projects. It is the goal of the District to complete the remaining assessment District projects by the end of the calendar year 2022.

The District has always believed that Lompico is part of the San Lorenzo Valley and belongs to be with the San Lorenzo Valley Water District. You are valued customers of the District and we look forward to providing you with exceptional water quality, quantity, and customer service.

Rick Rogers, District Manager San Lorenzo Valley Water District

# LOMPICO ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORT BUDGET & EXPENSES

#### TRACKING ASSESSMENT FUNDS

Revenue is collected from Lompico property taxes by the County and held in a special account. Assessment funds may not be used for any purpose other than described in the Lompico projects AD-16 in the Engineer's Report.

#### SOURCE OF REPORT DATA

LADOC meets with the SLVWD Finance Director who presents a Quarterly Finance Report. Included is an itemization of revenue per quarter and to date with an itemization of ongoing expenses per project, including labor and materials. Reports may also include receipts and labor timecards. The LADOC charter allows committee members to request and review all relevant data sources.

Assessment Collection Management is contracted by SLVWD to a consultant, NBS Government Finance Group via their Special Finance District (SFD) Administration service, for tasks not included by the County when collecting the Assessment on property taxes. The cost for this service has been about \$1,150.00 per quarter, charged to the Assessment District.

#### NBS ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Following Information provided upon request by SLVWD Finance Director: Main Assessment District Administration Services Provided by NBS:

#### DATA COLLECTION

NBS will gather and review data relevant to the administration of the district. Data will be obtained from various sources, including Water District records, Assessor's parcel maps, and County Assessor information and establish a database for the assessment district.

#### COST RECOVERY

NBS will identify all costs associated with the administration of the Assessment District and recover those costs through the levy process as outlined in §8682 and §8682.1 of the California Streets and Highways Code. These costs may include, but not be limited to Registrar/Transfer/Paying Agent fees, Arbitrage Rebate calculation fees, bank fees, and expenses of the Water District and its consultants related to the administration of the district.

#### ANNUAL ASSESSMENT LEVY

NBS will calculate the annual assessment levy for each parcel in the district and submit the amount for each parcel to the County in the format and medium (i.e. tape, diskette) required by the County Auditor-Controller.

#### **RESUBMISSION OF REJECTS**

NBS will research the status of any parcels rejected by the County Auditor-Controller, and resubmit corrected data for collection on the County Tax Roll. Any parcels that are not accepted by the County for collection will be invoiced directly, with payment directed to the Water District.

#### MAINTAIN ASSESSMENT DISTRICT DATA

NBS will annually track all parcel changes to ensure that all changes are documented. Historical parcel change and assessment apportionment data will be maintained by NBS.

#### ANNUAL REPORT

NBS will provide a comprehensive Annual Report that will show a detailed listing of the amounts submitted to the County or directly billed for collection, details of delinquent assessments, fund analysis, paid off parcels and release of liens, all bond call activity, and assessed valuation information.

#### **DELINQUENCY MONITORING**

NBS will provide the Water District with a comprehensive list of delinquencies after each installment becomes due. This report will show delinquency percentage as well as a detailed list of each delinquent parcel.

#### PREPAYMENT CALCULATION/AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE

NBS will provide assessment prepayment calculations and amortization schedules to interested parties. The requester will pay the cost of this service; however, there will be no charge to the Water District or property owners.

#### RELEASE OF LIENS

NBS will prepare all documents required to release the liens of parcels that have prepaid the assessment.



# SLVWD Capital Budgets – Lompico Projects

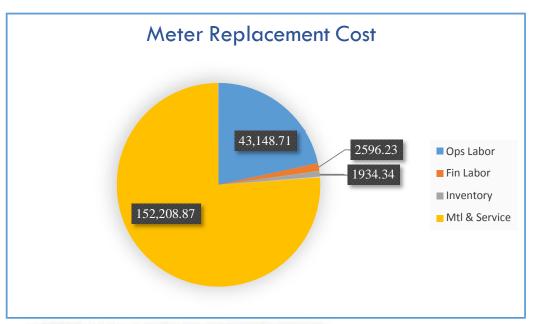
Capital Project Summary											
	Planning					nstruction	Conti	ngencv	2016-17		Overall
	Fiscal Year 16-17		sign (8%)	CEQA(2%)		(80%)		.0%)	Total	Pro	ject Total
Lompico Sei	rvice Area				\$	168,000	\$	16,800	\$184,800	\$	184,800
Lompico Ser	rvice Area Tank Replacement	\$	75,000						\$ 75,000	\$	75,000
Lompico SC/	ADA	\$	2,500		\$	25,000	\$	2,750	\$ 30,250	\$	30,250
F	Fiscal Year 2016/2017	-									
Water Enter	rprise Fund	\$ 3	3,025,850								
Lompico Ass	sessment District	\$	354,050								
Sewer Enter	rprise Fund	\$	400,000							_	
	Total	\$ 3	3,779,900								
#	Project										
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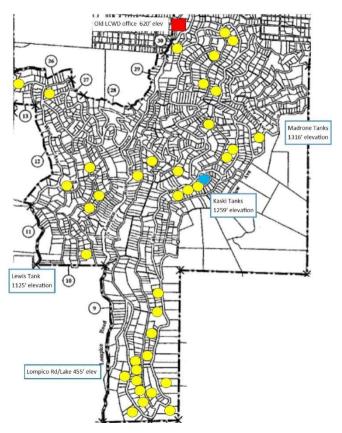
Labor & Overhead 22%	\$43,744.94	Operations Dept. \$41,148.71	Payroll \$ total per 5- pay periods Aug 17 to Oct 26, 2017 Labor \$27,728.24
			OH \$13,420.47
		Finance Dept. \$2,596.23	80 hrs. @ \$23.88 Labor \$1,910.40; OH \$685.83
Materials	\$154,143.21	\$1,934.34	Inventory
78%		\$152,208.87	Materials and Service: Rent vac truck \$1,843.94 5/8 meter w/lid approx. \$230 ea.
TOTAL	197,888.15	Average cost each	Installed at 500 meters is +-\$396.

#### LOMPICO METER CHANGEOUT WORK ORDER #129





# SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENTS



#### Original material replaced:

- □ Blue poly pipe 36
- □ Copper pipe 2

#### Locations

- □ West side 8
- □ East side 30
- □ 38% (14) are in Kaski zone (Visitar/Lake)

#### Cost:

Range of cost to replace ea.- \$635 to \$1610 Total cost for 38 replacements - \$43,982 =Average cost each \$1157



**Clearwater Tank** 

# **COMMITTEE ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Assessment District expenditures have been reviewed by LADOC and, to the best of our knowledge, are in compliance with the requirements as set forth in the Assessment District ballot measure Engineer's Report. The Annual Report presented includes an itemization and summary of all prior fiscal year Assessment District revenues and expenditures as provided by the district, from June 1, 2016 to June 30, 2019. For the time period of this report, no loans have been taken out for Assessment District projects.

Committee Recommendations:

- Committee and district are in agreement that a third party expert in Assessment Districts is needed, as well as training on assessments and oversight for members, staff and the board.
- That the district move forward on securing a loan, as recommended in the Assessment Engineer's Report, to expedite all projects being completed in a timely manner.
- SLVWD website includes an area for the AD with details on projects and ongoing updates on progress and expenses, per Grand Jury recommendation [district website in process of being redesigned]
- More frequent district website public reports or posts on AD finances, in addition to Annual Report.

Committee Commends:

- □ Current SLVWD staff and board for their support.
- Thank You to the 2017-18 Grand Jury for their investigation and recommendations, which have been instrumental in defining and supporting LADOC duties.



# **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

Following are responses from the District Manager (DM) posed by the committee and members of the public.

#### FAQ

1. What is the process for changing or removing projects from the Engineer's Report list?

Response from District Manager (DM): DM will recommend to SLVWD Board of Directors (BoD) that a change be made to Board Manual indicating SLVWD Staff will meet with the current LADOC for discussion and consideration before any decisions are made to change or update AD projects. Committee note: answer subject to research findings on Assessment District management.

2. Is there a possibility of reducing Assessment District collections in later years?

DM: "Doubtful based on current cost expectations"

3. Is there a possibility ending the Assessment District early?

DM: "Doubtful based on current cost expectations"

4. Is the AD is collecting interest on a future loan?

DM: "The Engineering cost estimates for Assessment District funding includes a line item titled SLVWD estimated loan interest. The amount is \$183,734. The District fully intends to take out one or more loans to complete the Assessment Projects and will make use of these funds."

\*Loan has been obtained as of late 2019\*

5. Do you anticipate returning any unused funds to the ratepayers?

DM: "Doubtful based on current cost expectations."

6. Do you anticipate postponing the completion of Assessment District capital projects beyond ten years?

DM: "We have every expectation that the Projects will be completed by the end of 2022."

7. Will SLVWD come back to Lompico ratepayers for more money if the original assessment no longer covers the cost to complete projects in the original plan?

DM: "No. There are no plans to ask the AD customers to cover any additional costs. That would require another vote by the Assessment District."

8. Can projects be dropped from the original Engineers report list? What is the process, and what happens to those funds?

DM: "SLVWD will consider all Engineering Report recommendations, but will make adjustments based on current needs and costs. However, all AD revenues will be spent solely for the benefit of the Lompico Service Area." Committee note: answer subject to research findings on Assessment District management.

9. If SLVWD does not intend to use the treatment plants, can they be sold and the money used for Assessment District projects, or returned to Lompico ratepayers?:

DM: District Manager recommends that any revenues generated by the sale of the former Lompico property be added to the Assessment District funds.

10. Will the district plan to sell the old growth redwood from replaced tanks?

DM: "No. The demolition and salvage value of the existing redwood tanks are part of the construction contract and will be the responsibility of the contractor."

11. Is the metal recycle payback value of removed materials (old meters, fittings, etc.) being put back in the Assessment District fund?

DM: District Manager recommends any revenue generated by the sale of the old materials be added to Assessment District funds.

12. Does the present intertie meet flow requirements of the State? (ref BOD agenda 9.20.18 item 13.1(page 229) Permit Change and Report from State Water Resources)

DM: "No, not currently. However, once the Lompico Tanks are replaced, which have an anticipated project completion date by the end of 2020 summer, Lompico will have the combined resource of the intertie, plus the fully utilized, completely updated, steel, non-leaking tanks. The present intertie mainline replacement is scheduled to be replaced summer of 2021."



Lewis Tank, Wood Stave Condition

# LOMPICO CITIZEN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE - A HISTORY

A Lompico Citizens Oversight Committee was an element proposed and approved by SLVWD to be included in LAFCO "merger" Resolution 953-A. The SLVWD board reviewed applications and appointed the first five Lompico members in July of 2016. The first meeting was held at the old LCWD office in August. The original description/purpose of the committee written by SLVWD staff and published in the SLVWD stated "The Committee shall be responsible to review matters of stewardship, design, construction, replacement, and repair of the Assessment District facilities and property". This was revised in 2017 to include only assessment district fund and project oversight, and the name changed to LADOC, for Lompico Assessment District Oversight Committee.

The committee faced challenges of district support throughout 2017. At the October 19, 2017, meeting the District Manager proposed making the following changes to the Board of Directors Policy Manual impacting LADOC: redefine and differentiate LADOC as a "Public Committee" whose only purpose is to deliver and receive information, who therefore will have no need to produce and publish minutes, who will meet once annually at the time and place specified by the Board, the Board will appoint the Chair and Vice Chair of the LADOC. Fortunately, the October 19, 2017 meeting was well attended. Three LADOC members attended the meeting and spoke out against these egregious changes. Many members of public and all three public members of the other SLVWD Committees spoke out against the changes. Only one member of the Board spoke in favor of the changes and she also admitted that she had assisted the District Manager in preparing the recommendation. No action was taken on the proposal.

In the meantime, months earlier LADOC had approached and met with members of the Finance Committee to request assistance in developing the Finance Report which had been promised by the District Manager since the very first meeting. The Chair of LADOC met with the Chair of the Finance Committee (also a Board Director) and an agreement was struck for the LADOC to hold a meeting once Quarterly at the Boulder Creek Operations Building with both the Finance Director and a Board Member (preferably the Chair) in attendance to present the Lompico Assessment District Quarterly Finance Report. It was also agreed that LADOC could continue to meet as o f t e n as they deemed necessary to meet their obligations.

A series of resignations throughout 2018 resulted in lack of a quorum and irregular meetings. With the exception of one missed meeting, due to the lack of a quorum, LADOC has met r e g u l a r l y on a quarterly basis since November 2017, with greatly improved district support under the new District Manager and board of directors.

A new Charter was written by the committee in January 2019, and adopted by the Board, to meet the recommendations of a Grand Jury investigation and report released May 2018.

April Crittenden	July 2016 – Feb 2018	Secretary 2016-2018
John Grunow	July 2016 – April 2018	
Lydia Hammack	July 2016 – June 2018	Chair Jan 2018-June 2018
*name withheld at member request	July 2016 – June 2018	Vice chair Jan 2018-June 2018
Toni Norton	July 2016 to present	Chair July 2016-Jan 2018;
		Nov 2018 to present
Andrew Rippert	April 2018 – June 2018	
Mary Ann LoBalbo	April 2018 to present	Vice Chair Nov 2018 to present
Jennifer Gomez	Sept 2018 to April 2019	
Dennis Lynch	Sept 2018 – Oct 2018	
John Wright	Sept 2018 to April 2019	
Debra Loewen	January 2019 to present	
Norm Hagen	August 2019 to present	

Members of the Committee 2016 to present:



# 2017-18 GRAND JURY FINDINGS and RECOMMENDATIONS

San Lorenzo Valley Water District "Encouraging the Flow of Information to the Public" Published May 31, 2018

#### Summary

"Since mid-2016 the San Lorenzo Valley Water District (SLVWD or District) has struggled to address public concerns about a number of controversial issues. The administration of the Lompico surcharge and capital projects, use of glyphosate in the watershed, and a lawsuit involving a former Board member, were among the issues that drew sharp criticism from citizen groups and the press. The criticisms tested the capacity of the District's representatives to maintain productive and civil interactions with the community and, at times, with one another. Although the Lompico surcharge has now been eliminated, other disputes and communication challenges remain. Issues such as the District's handling of legal matters, management of the Lompico Assessment District and capital projects, and support for the Lompico citizen oversight committee continue to be divisive. In addition, District changes to meeting practices in 2017 have reduced public access to the debate and decision-making process and compromised the community's understanding of the issues."

"Better communication on difficult matters, an informed and effective Assessment District oversight committee, and an unwavering commitment to public access, will enable greater transparency and may restore trust and foster better relationships within the SLVWD community."

Three Findings and Four Recommendations regarding Lompico,

see the complete Grand Jury Report Online:

www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/Portals/0/County/GrandJury/GJ2018 final/SLVWDAndThePublic.pdf



Madrone Tank Detail

F1	The lack of effective communication between the District and the community concerning the administration of the Assessment District has caused public concern regarding the timing and implementation of the Assessment District projects.
F2	The District has not provided adequate authority, guidance, training or support to the Lompico Assessment District Oversight Committee (LADOC) to ensure that the committee can fulfill its assessment district oversight responsibilities, thus reducing transparency and accountability to the public.
F3	Lack of effective District communication practices has reduced pubic access to the decision-making process and contributed to acrimony and on-going relationship challenges with the community, causing stress on elected officials and staff, as well as frustration among ratepayers.
R1	LADOC should produce an annual report detailing the status of the Assessment District revenues and expenditures (F1, F2)
R2	The District should schedule annual public study sessions or workshops to review the LADOC annual report and discuss the administration of the Assessment District (AD), in order to provide in-depth information to the public about the timing, funding, and execution of the AD projects. (F1, F3)
R3	The Board and LADOC should work in concert to create a charter for LADOC that describes in detail the committee's responsibilities and its authority to fulfill its oversight role (F2, F2)
R4	The Board should ensure that LADOC receives adequate professional, technical and administrative support from the District, as well as the authority to carry out its oversight responsibilities (F2)
R5	The District should provide formal training for all LADOC citizen committee members in governance, meeting management and the Brown Act. (F2)



Madrone Tank

# PREVIOUS BOARD RESPONSE AUG 22, 2018

F1-2-3 Cites "...confusion about the mechanics of the assessment district and unaligned expectations" and "...commonly held misconceptions about assessment districts generally..." leading to poor communications.

R1 "staff will help jump start the process... by generating a template to help facilitate the first annual report" within 6 months.

R2 "We believe it is important to note that comments and questions about the implementation of AD-16 projects, including priority, timeline, bidding and design considerations etc., are within the purview of the Engineering Committee and ultimately the Board. We encourage members of the public to bring these types of issues to the Engineering Committee rather than LADOC."

R3 within 6 months we will revise the LADOC Charter to replace its current Charter. A draft will be presented to LADOC for its review and comment and to the Board for approval.

R4 We "believe the district has professional expertise up to the task of locating appropriate resources..." Within 6 months, we will make governance, meeting management, and Brown Act training available to all members of the Board and the District's public committee members. Within a year, we will evaluate and select a means of making such training available on a recurring or ongoing basis. For example, staff may consider creating tailored training materials for in-house use and reproduction versus hiring consultants and/or procuring online subscriptions, etc.

R6 "training on key topics" We believe the District has professional expertise up to the task of locating or adapting existing training, or creating new materials as necessary.

Committee comment: While an Ad Hoc committee of two board members was created June 27, 2018 for the above, no actions were taken beyond writing the initial response to the Grand Jury.

Excerpts from Grand Jury report. Footnote [#] references are found in the Grand Jury report. LCWD-SLVWD Merger

Financial problems, an aging infrastructure, and the threat of state intervention obliged the Lompico County Water District (LCWD) to look to SLVWD for help in 2013. After two years of complex negotiations, SLVWD agreed to annex LCWD if Lompico ratepayers would pass a bond issue to fund infrastructure improvements, and agree to pay a surcharge to cover extra costs related to integrating Lompico operations into SLVWD. The conditions were laid out formally in Resolution 953-A, which all parties refer to as the "merger agreement." Similarly, while the transaction is more correctly termed an annexation, all parties refer to it as the "merger."

A bond issue to provide SLVWD with immediate funding for the Lompico infrastructure projects failed by a narrow margin in 2015. The parties then agreed to the formation of an assessment district as a "similar revenue instrument" which would collect the required funds over a 10-year period. In addition, the parties retained the requirement that SLVWD would create a "Lompico oversight committee."[3] The assessment district passed in a new ballot measure in March 2016, clearing the way for the merger on June 1, 2016.

Another condition of the merger, the 10-year Assessment District, provided \$2.75 million to fund a set of capital improvement projects specified in the accompanying Engineer's Report.[12] It also provided for the collection of an additional \$183,000 for interest payments on anticipated loans taken against future Assessment District collections. The Engineer's Report lists the Lompico capital improvement projects and the estimated cost of each project. It contains few other details about the projects or their implementation.

Since the merger, District representatives and members of the public have raised financial issues not addressed in either the merger agreement or the Engineer's Report. These concerns include questions about what adjustments are possible under the Assessment District (AD) if some projects come in substantially over or under budget, or if the District obtains grants to fund any of the listed projects. [13] [14] Other questions have focused on the disposition of the funds collected over the years for loan interest if no loans are obtained.[15] Still other financial concerns are centered on what would happen

with the designated AD funds if a listed project is later determined to be unnecessary.[16] The construction timeline has been another area of concern. Public discussions and presentations before the merger had laid out the District's plans to start the Lompico projects shortly after the merger, with funding coming from loans taken out against the AD.[17] [18] After the merger however, the District staff investigated loan funding and reported back that it found fewer acceptable loan opportunities than it had anticipated. Instead, the District opted for payas-you-go construction funding for most years, with a

possible bridge loan in years four through seven. [19] [20]

Lompico ratepayers have expressed their concerns that the lower priority ranking of the Assessment District projects might lead to delays and higher construction costs, with a possible consequence that some of the AD projects might not be done.

SLVWD updated its policy manual to add the new oversight committee.[23] It then solicited applicants.[24] The policy manual described the committee's role in broad terms: The Committee shall be responsible to review matters of stewardship, design, construction, replacement, and repair of the District facilities and property directly related to Assessment District 2016-1, the Lompico Service Area.[25]

LADOC's opening meeting was August 23, 2016. At its second meeting, held on October 6, 2016, the committee decided to pursue several open questions and issues that appeared to fall under its purview. Less than two weeks later, at the October 16, 2016 Board of Directors meeting, the Board debated the reduction of LADOC's duties, [26] by changing the description of its role to one which it said more closely

resembled the wording of the merger agreement.[27] At the next Board meeting, the SLVWD policy manual was amended to read: The Committee shall be responsible to review matters of revenue and expenses directly related to Assessment District 2016-1 projects.[28] [29] District representatives refer to this one sentence description of the responsibilities of LADOC as the LADOC "charter."[30] The responsibilities of LADOC continue to be the subject of discussion and disagreement. [31]

# **INVESTIGATION**

#### Assessment District 2016-1

In its investigation of the Assessment District (AD), the Grand Jury found notable differences in understanding among District representatives regarding the construction strategy for the AD's projects, including District plans in the event of project delays, cost differences, or possible changes in projects undertaken.

While the District recognizes that AD funds may be used only for the benefit of Lompico, understandings differ among decision makers on what flexibility exists under the AD as written. Varying interpretations of the Assessment District terms have, in several cases, led to conflicting assertions made to the Grand Jury or to the public, about:

- the process for changing or removing projects from the Engineer's Report list[36]
- the possibility of reducing Assessment District collections in later years[37]
- ending the Assessment District early[38] [39] [40]
- whether the AD is collecting interest on a future loan[41]
- whether obtaining a loan against the AD is required[42]
- using the \$183,000 collected for loan interest for other AD expenses[43]
- returning unused funds to the ratepayers[44] [45]
- postponing the completion of Assessment District capital projects beyond ten years[46]

The Grand Jury has found that, nearly two years after the merger, District representatives still communicate differing views of the AD and its projects. The varying interpretations have caused public concern, and warrant serious and sustained discussion.

The District-wide Capital Improvement Program introduced in November 2017 has presented another communication challenge. The District used a priority rating system to rank each capital project, which resulted in a timetable for the execution of each project on the list. The CIP assumes, however, that there are no differences between Lompico and non-Lompico projects except for the funding source; that is, that the projects for which Lompico ratepayers pay an extra assessment have no special status.

In contrast, Lompico ratepayers contend that they gave their vote to accept the Assessment District in exchange for the District's promise to complete the specific projects listed in the Engineer's Report in an expeditious manner. [47]

At minimum, adequate guidance and support for LADOC would include:

- Comprehensive orientation prior to beginning work
- Members handbook of key documents, including items such as a LADOC charter (description of duties), the Engineer's Report, relevant resolutions, [75] [76] [77] [78] relevant District policies and procedures, project descriptions, budgets and schedules, financial reports, minutes of prior meetings, guides to Brown Act and parliamentary procedures
- Regular meeting schedule, at least quarterly

Expected duties of the oversight committee would include:

• Tracking expenditures of assessment proceeds back to the capital improvement plan

• Actively reviewing and reporting on the proper expenditure of assessment money for the Lompico construction and replacement projects listed in the Engineer's Report

• Maintaining a committee webpage with (1) detailed information about the progress of each project, (2) committee minutes, and (3) materials it has received

• Preparing and publishing an annual report for ratepayers

Expected duties of the District would include:

• Providing timely, comprehensive data to the oversight committee, including financial reports that display original budget, current budget, actual expenditures, budget balance, and approved commitments to projects to date across all fiscal years

• Providing technical and administrative assistance LADOC meeting notes and internal emails from



Lompico Park April 2006

April 2017, and subsequent Grand Jury interviews, confirm that LADOC sought more support from the Board and staff, but the District did not have the resolve to provide effective support. [81] [82] [83]



2017 Lompico Road Storm Damage

# TIMELINE REFERENCES AND RESOURCES

\*\*\*Links listed valid as of Dec 2019 due to SLVWD updating website

1964 June 7	"\$1.5 Million Water Bond Issue Before Lompico's 70 Voters" <b>Santa Cruz Sentinel</b> ; Library clipping file: <u>Lompico;</u> Viewed on microfiche, California Room. Also may be found by title on <u>https://cdnc.ucr.edu</u> UCR Center for Bibliographical Studies and Research, California Digital Newspaper Collection.
2010 May	"Up a Creek without a Financial Paddle: The Lompico County Water District", Grand Jury Report 2009-10. http://www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/Portals/0/County/GrandJury/GJ2010_final/Up_the_Creek.pdf
2010	Beginning of merger discussion between districts:
July	SLVWD District Manager Jim Mueller; BOD consists of Jim Rapoza, Terry Vierra; Lompico County Water District board; Lois Henry, Bill Smallman, Rick Harrington, Chris Kilgus, and Rob Hansel.
2010 July 8	"Lompico Summary of Costs", SLVWD announcement. "On July 8, 2010 Lompico County Water District held a meeting with representatives from the San Lorenzo Valley Water District to discuss and provide information relative to potential merger options for Lompico County Water District at the Zayante Fire Station."
	https://sanlorenzocawater.pt7.civic-
2010 July 15	"Lompico Water considers merger with SLV", <b>Press Banner</b> . "Jim Mueller, San Lorenzo Valley Water District's general manager, presented his district's evaluation of Lompico, including what a merger would cost customers." <u>http://www.goldenstatenewspapers.com/press_banner/news/lompico-water-considers-merger-with-slv/article_433d800b-7aa1-561f-bf80-fa6947c3abf2.html</u>
2011 July 13	"Cash strapped Lompico to consider increases to water rates", Santa Cruz Sentinel. "Meanwhile, talks are continuing with the larger San Lorenzo Valley Water District, which serves 7,300 connections. Lompico, which has approximately 500 connections, is seeking members of the community to sit on a citizen's advisory committee to research and prepare information related to the potential merger, with those members chosen at next week's meeting. <u>https://www.santacruzsentinel.com/2011/07/13/cash-strapped-lompico-to- consider-increases-to-water-rates/</u>
2012 April 20	"SLV Water to assist Lompico", SLV news slvnews.net "The San Lorenzo Valley Water District Board voted 5-0 to assist the Lompico County Water District by providing technical and contract management assistance for a pair of studies that will help determine the costs to replace tanks and install a connection between the two systems"

2012, June 28	"Protecting Our Special Districts – is there any oversight?" Grand Jury 2011-12 final report. "Using the Lompico County Water District's (LCWD) troubled history as a backdrop, the Grand Jury explored the boundaries and scope of oversight for independent special districts in Santa Cruz County." <u>http://www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/Portals/0/County/CAO/press%20releases/06022016Lompico.pdf</u> and 2011-12 continuity report follow-up " LAFCO states that it lacks the funding and personnel to exercise the more "proactive" oversight, even for problem districts" <u>https://www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/Portals/0/County/GJ2012_final/Protecting_Our_Special_Districts.pdf</u>
2012	"For tiny Lompico County Water District, a huge retirement bill", Santa Cruz Sentinel.
Aug 8	"The 494-hookup district has navigated years of rocky waters and criticism of sky-high water bills. Its former district manager was charged with falsifying water reports, and since his firing the district has operated with a secretary and three technicians, one part-time. Its annual payroll is a threadbare \$130,000." <u>https://www.santacruzsentinel.com/2012/08/08/for-tiny-lompico-county-water-district-a- huge-retirement-bill/</u>
2013 July 25	"Potential Consolidation of Lompico and San Lorenzo Valley water districts". Letter of Recommendation to Board of Supervisors from Health Services, Santa Cruz County. "Operation of the District has been subject to many challenges, including: inadequate water supply, lack of any potential new water sources, aging infrastructure, leaking water tanks, inadequate treatment facilities, management issues, and disagreements among the community about how best to govern. Lompico has the highest water rates in the County, which has posed a challenge to the many low and moderate income residents of the community." <u>http://sccounty01.co.santa- cruz.ca.us/bds/Govstream2/ASP/Display/SCCB_AgendaDisplayWeb.asp?MeetingID=599</u>
2013	Water board President of the Year, California Special Districts Association, awarded to
Sept	Lois Henry, Lompico County Water District: County Press Release
23	https://patch.com/california/scottsvalley/lompico-water-board-president-wins-state-honor
2013	Public Meeting at Zayante Fire Station, Presentation of Merger Options SLVWD-LCWD
Dec 4	http://www.santacruzlafco.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/Lompico-Merger-Options.pdf
2014-	Santa Cruz Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) containing reports on Lompico
2016	County Water District. https://www.santacruzlafco.org/reports/
	Feb 2014 presentation on draft merger options:
	https://www.santacruzlafco.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/Lompico-Merger-Options-May-22-
2014	"California drought: communities at risk of running dry", San Francisco Chronicle. State
Jan 30	Department of Public Health lists Lompico County Water District among 17 small
	communities throughout the State likely to run out of water within 100 days; requirements to cut water use by 30% during the drought. <u>https://www.sfgate.com/news/article/California-</u> <u>drought-communities-at-risk-of-5184906.php</u>

2014 Feb 4	"What happens when a town runs out of water?" Newsweek. "For now, Lompico has enough water to limp by. But [LCWD Chair Lois] Henry says one of the town's three wells has recently been cutting out, reducing even further the approximately 35 gallons per minute the district is able to pump to its 494 water hookups. The water supply is so precarious that, Henry says, Lompico is one water main break or major fire away from disastrously low levels." <u>https://www.newsweek.com/what-happens-when-town-runs-out-water-227929</u>
2014	SLVWD-Lompico Intertie Agreement. Board of Directors agenda packet Feb 20, 2014.
Feb 14	https://sanlorenzocawater.pt7.civic-cms.com/sites/sanlorenzocawater/files/agendas/220.pdf
2014	"Bad week as Lompico loses two of its three water wells to motor damage" KION news.
April	"Not only is Lompico in a phase three rationing stage which means no water use between
18	specified hours and no outdoor irrigation but with two out of their three wells went
	down ,'it means we have a lot of work to do' "
	https://kion546.com/news/2014/04/19/bad-week-as-lompico-loses-two-of-its-three-water-wells-to-
2014	"Lompico emergency pipeline completed fears eased ", Santa Cruz Sentinel.
May 4	http://www.santacruzsentinel.com/general-news/20140504/lompico-emergency-pipeline-
	<u>completed-fears-eased</u>
2015	Measure N: Bond Issue, Parcel Tax and Appropriations Limit Increase, Santa Cruz
Feb	Community Facilities District No. 2
	https://ballotpedia.org/Santa_Cruz_County_Community_Facilities_District_No. 2 (Lo
	mpico_Water) Bond_Issue, Parcel_Tax_and_Appropriations_Limit_Increase, Measur e_N (February 2015)
2015	"Lompico water bond fails by one vote", Santa Cruz Sentinel.
Feb 27	"Of the 516 votes, 343 backed the measure — 66.47 percent — and 173 voted against it —
	33.53 percent." Total voter turnout was 69%, "which is a good turnout when it comes to
	elections but what happened to the other 31 percent of the people?"- Gail Pellerin, County
	Clerk, on why every vote counts. <u>https://www.santacruzsentinel.com/2015/02/27/lompico-water-</u> bond-fails-by-one-vote/
2015	SLVWD board memo to approve Lompico Assessment District and recommitting to merger.
Aug 20	Board agenda packet. <u>https://sanlorenzocawater.pt7.civic-</u>
2015	Commentary on SLVWD-Lompico merger, Fifth District Supervisor Bruce McPherson on
Aug 24	change to Assessment District for funding mechanism
Aug 24	http://supervisorbrucemcpherson.org/san-lorenzo-valley-water-district-to-merge-with-the-
	lompico-water-district/
2015	County Board of Supervisors approve Lompico Assessment District
Nov	With letter of recommendation from County Health Services, after failure of bond vote and
25	granting of one year extension by LAFCo: "LCWD now proposes to form an assessment
	district within its boundaries, in order to finance the infrastructure upgrades required to
	complete the annexation to SLVWD. This financing method has broader support in the
	community than the CFD had, and is expected to be approved by Lompico property owners."
2010	http://scceh.com/Portals/6/Env_Health/water_resources/WAC/WAC%20Meeting%202015%2012%209/J5.pdf The Board of Directors of the Lompico County Water District, Felton California accepts
2016	Preliminary Engineer's Report and Assessment. Link to Engineers Report:
Jan 16	https://www.slvwd.com/sites/g/files/vyhlif1176/f/uploads/engineersreport3-22-16.pdf

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2017 Oct 19	BOD meeting. District Manager and director Margaret Bruce propose to either eliminate the Lompico Assessment District Oversight Committee (LADOC) or reduce it to meeting "no more than once a year".
2017 Nov	The first Lompico Assessment District Finance Report was delivered to the LADOC at the 11/15/2017 meeting and presented by Stephanie Hill the SLVWD Finance Director. The Board president Chuck Baughman was also in attendance to address LADOC questions and concerns.
2018 Jan	First financial reports received by LADOC at a meeting: included water meter change outs completed in June 2016, and a temporary SCADA (control system) installed in August of 2016.
2015, Feb 18	"Measured Hope", Good Times "To bring the district back to good standing and make all necessary repairs to bring the water district's equipment up to state requirements, the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors created a special all-mail ballot election to vote on a \$3.2 million bond measure, Measure N. The last day to vote is Tuesday, Feb. 24." http://goodtimes.sc/santa-cruz-news/measured-hope/
2018 May 31	"Encouraging the Flow of Information to the Public", Santa Cruz County Grand Jury report http://www.co.santa- cruz.ca.us/Portals/0/County/GrandJury/GJ2018_final/SLVWDAndThePublic.pdf
2018 May 31	"San Lorenzo Valley Water District challenged by grand jury findings", Santa Cruz Sentinel. "The San Lorenzo Valley Water District since 2016 has struggled to address divisive issues, management of Lompico Assessment District capital projects and support for the Lompico Citizen Oversight Committee, the Santa Cruz County civil grand jury reported Thursday." <u>https://www.santacruzsentinel.com/2018/05/31/san-lorenzo-valley-water-district- challenged-by-grand-jury-findings/</u>
2018 June 27	Special meeting: SLVWD BOD agenda item 3a (pgs. 4-43) Presentation of Grand Jury report to the board and formation of an Ad Hoc committee of directors Baughman and Hayes, to draft a board response to the Grand Jury; Ad Hoc amended to fulfill changes proposed. https://sanlorenzocawater.pt7.civic-cms.com/sites/sanlorenzocawater/files/agendas/specbodagenda 6.27.18 with closed session.pdf
2018 Aug 22	SLVWD board grand jury response. The board "agreed" with all findings and responded to all recommendations with "has not been implemented but will be implemented in the future". http://www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/Portals/0/County/GrandJury/GJ2018 final/SLVWDAndThePublic BoD Response.pdf
2018 Sept 20	BOD regular meeting, agenda item 13.1 SWRCB Permit Amendment [adding Lompico and Manana Woods to SLVWD system] and Supplemental Engineering Report on conditions in Lompico re: redwood tank replacements, water testing, minimum flow requirements of intertie. <u>https://sanlorenzocawater.pt7.civic-</u>
2018 Oct 25	"Familiar face to lead SLV", <b>Press Banner</b> ; on appointment of Rick Rogers as District Manager, after serving as interim manager since Brian Lee resigned in August. <u>https://www.ttownmedia.com/press_banner/news/a-familiar-face-to-lead-</u> <u>%20slvwd/article_1259c7e6-d87d-11e8-b959-6b5557a6560d.html</u>

2018 Nov 29	"Fultz, Henry, Swan elected to SLVWD BoD", Press Banner. "[Lois] Henry, long-time resident of Lompico,""served eight years on the board of directors of the Lompico Water District from 2008 to 2016 through the merger with SLVWD. <u>https://www.ttownmedia.com/press_banner/news/a-familiar-face-to-lead-</u>
2019 March	LADOC new charter detailing duties of the committee and district support was written by the committee in a series of workshops; approved and adopted by the Board on March 21. BOD agenda 3.21.19, New Business, item 5B (pages 118-125).
21	https://www.slvwd.com/sites/g/files/vyhlif1176/f/agendas/bod_meeting_agenda_3.21.19_with_backup.pdf
2019	LADOC workshops on preparation of first Annual Report. Approved by the board on
April-	February 20, 2020 https://sanlorenzocawater.pt7.civic-
July	cms.com/sites/sanlorenzocawater/files/agendas/bod_agenda_2.20.20_with_backup_0.pdf



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