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Water Availability Analysis



TIER 1 WATER AVAILABILITY ANALYSIS

NAPA VAULT 1055 SOSCOL FERRY ROAD NAPA, CALIFORNIA

APN 057-170-018

PROPERTY OWNER:

Storage Tech LLC. 2783 Napa Valley Corporate Drive Napa, CA 94558

Project# 4114028.0 December 18, 2015





I. Executive Summary

These calculations demonstrate that the proposed water use on the project parcel is less than the estimated groundwater recharge rate. The existing and proposed water use for the Napa Vault (APN: 057-170-018) are as follows:

Usage Type	Existing Usage [af/yr]	Proposed Usage [af/yr]
Winery		
Process Water	8.95	0.00
Employees, Guests and Visitors	0.46	0.00
Storage Condominium Facility		
Facility water	0.00	0.20
Landscaping	0.00	0.43
Totals (Acre-ft per Year)	9.41	0.63

The existing use estimates are taken from the attached 2009 Bartelt Engineering Water Availability Analysis for the Suscol Creek Winery.

Facility water use was calculated based on wastewater flow information for a similar facility provided by the client. The projected flow is based on an analysis of the supplied water usage per storage unit.

Sample Facility Water Usage:

18,000 gallons/year excluding landscaping

Facility Size Comparison:

71 units (sample facility) 130 units (proposed facility)

Yearly Water Usage per Unit:

Gallons per year per unit = 18,000 gpy /71 units

= 254 gpy/ unit

Total Proposed Flow:

254 gpy/unit x 2.0 (safety factor) = 508 gpy/unit

508 gpy/unit x 130 units = 66,040 gpy/325,851 gal/af

= 0.20 af/yr

Landscape water use was taken from the attached Landscape Water Use Calculations.

Groundwater recharge in this area has been estimated using the methods outlined in the attached Annual Groundwater Recharge Rate Report. It is estimated that the recharge rate is 0.19 acre-feet per acre per year, which equates to 1.95 acre-feet per year for the project parcel.

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Hillary Gitelman, Director Napa County Conservation, Development and Planning Department 1195 Third Street, Room 210 Napa, CA 94559

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Re: Phase One Water Availability Analysis for the Suscol Creek Winery Use Permit Modification and Tentative Map, 1055 Soscol Ferry Road, Napa County, California, APN 057-170-018

Dear Ms. Gitelman:

As required by the County of Napa Public Works Department, and the Interim Policy approved by the Planning Commission on March 6, 1991, this letter outlines a Phase One Water Availability Analysis for the proposed Suscol Creek Winery Use Permit Modification and Tentative Map application.

As outlined in the Interim Policy a reconnaissance level report for this site has been prepared with the following items being pertinent to the study:

Site Plan

A USGS site map showing the site and approximate property line locations is attached. Information regarding the locations of the existing wells and proposed structures is shown on the enclosed Conceptual Site Plan prepared by Bartelt Engineering, dated January 2009. Information regarding the location of the existing wells on adjacent properties was unavailable at the time this report was prepared.

Project Description.

It is our understanding that two new winery buildings will be constructed and that the proposed winery will be a full crushing facility with a production of 600,000 gallons of wine per year. The staff will consist of 25 full-time employees and 10 seasonal (harvest) employees: Tours and tastings will be allowed at the winery by appointment only with an average of 100 visitors per week and 25 visitors on a peak day. Private promotional tastings and marketing events are scheduled several times per year with a maximum of 20 guest in attendance.

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Projected Water Consumption

The total water requirements for the existing and proposed uses on the parcel are calculated below using quantities provided in the staff report from County of Napa Public Works Department and the onsite wastewater disposal feasibility study for the proposed Suscol Creek Winery prepared by Bartelt Engineering dated January 2009.

Current Water Use Using Napa County Interim Policy

Vacant Parcel

0.00 acre-feet/year

<u>Total</u>

0.00 acre-feet/year

Projected Water Use Calculations Using the Bartelt Engineering Wastewater Disposal Feasibility Study and Napa County Interim Policy

Peak Winery Process Wastewater Flow =

600,000 gal wine per year (1.5 gal water per 1 gal wine) 60 days of crush per year = 15,000 gpd

Average Winery Process Wastewater Flow =

 $\frac{600,000 \text{ gal wine per year (5 gal water per 1 gal wine)}}{365 \text{ days per year}} = 8,219 \text{ gpd}$

To calculate annual water use, conservatively assume peak water use for 16 weeks and average water use for 36 weeks.

Annual Winery Process Water Use =

 $\frac{15,000 \text{ gpd (6days/wk)(16wks/yr)} + 8,219 \text{ gpd (5days/wk)(36wks/yr)}}{325,851 \text{ gal per acre-foot}} = 8.95 \text{ ac-ft/yr}$

All plumbing fixtures within the proposed winery facility shall be low-flow, water-saving fixtures per the Uniform Plumbing Code as adopted by the Napa County Building Department.

Peak Winery Sanitary Wastewater Flow =

25 full-time employees (15.0 gpd per employee) + 10 seasonal (harvest) employees (15.0 gpd per employee) + 25 visitors (3 gpd per visitor) + 20 guests (5.0 gpd per guest) = 700 gpd.

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Average Winery Sanitary Wastewater Flow = 70% (700 gpd) = 490 gpd

Annual Winery Sanitary Water Use =

 $\frac{650 \text{ gpd } (6 \text{ days/wk})(16 \text{ wks/yr}) + 490 \text{ gpd } (5 \text{ days/wk})(36 \text{ wks/yr})}{325,851 \text{ gal per acrè-foot}} = 0.46 \text{ ac-ft/yr}$

Total Projected Water Use = annual winery process wastewater flow + annual winery sanitary wastewater flow.

Total Projected Water Use = 8.95 ac-ft/year + 0.46 ac-ft/year

Total =

9.41 acre-feet/year

Irrigation water for this site will be supplied from the recycled process water used in the winery.

Acceptable Threshold Water Use

(Calculated using Napa County Interim Policy for water usage in valley floor areas)

1.0 acre-feet/acre of site - valley floor

The following calculation assumes that the entire 10.32 acre parcel lies in an area designated as valley floor.

Acceptable water use = 10.32 acres x 1.0 acre-feet/year = 10.32 acre-feet/year

The above analysis shows that the projected water usage will be more than the current water usage but less than to the acceptable threshold water usage for the subject parcel.

Existing Water Source and Storage Capacity

According to the Property Owner, the onsite wells are capable of producing approximately 45 gallons per minute and 100 gallons per minute. Well water will be used to satisfy domestic, winery, and fire protection requirements. Ground water will be pumped from the existing well into new onsite storage tanks per County of Napa and/or California Department of Forestry Standards (size and quantity of tanks to be determined at a later date).

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Summary and Conclusions

The water use requirements for the proposed Suscol Creek Winery development at 1055 Soșcol Ferry Road are projected to be less than the acceptable threshold water usage level in accordance with the Interim Water Availability Policy; therefore, a Phase Two and/or Phase Three Analysis should not be required. The above information and the attached plans should assist you in processing the subject Use Permit Modification and Tentative Map. If you have any questions regarding the information provided, please feel free to call me.

Sincerely,

No. 45102

Dep. 09-30-10

Paul N. Bartelt, P.E.

Principal Engineer

Principal Engineer

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Enclosures

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Parcel Location Factors

The allowable allotment of water is based on the location of your parcel. There are 3 different location classifications. Valley floor areas include all locations that are within the Napa Valley, Pope Valley and Carneros Region, except for areas specified as groundwater deficient areas. Groundwater deficient areas are areas that have been determined by the public works department as having a history of problems with groundwater. All other areas are classified as Mountain Areas. Please circle your location classification below (Public Works can assist you in determining your classification if necessary):

Valley Floor Mountain Areas 1.0 acre feet per acre per year

MST Groundwater Deficient Area

0.5 acre feet per acre per year0.3 acre feet per acre per year

Assessors Parcel Number(s)	Parcel Size	Parcel Location Factor	Allowable Water Allotment
	(A)	(B)	(A) X (B)
057-170-018	10.32 acres	1.0 acre foot/acre/year	10.32 acre feet/year

Step #3:

Using the guidelines in Attachment A, tabulate the existing and projected future water usage on the parcel(s) in acre-feet per year (af/yr). Transfer the information from the guidelines to the table below.

EXISTING USE:		PROPOSED USE:		
Residential	af/yr	Residential	-0-	af/yr
Farm Labor Dwelling	<u>-0-</u> af/yr	Farm Labor Dwellin	ıg -0-	af/yr
Winery	<u>-0-</u> af/yr	Winery	9.41	af/yr
Commercial	<u>-0-</u> af/yr	Commercial	-0-	af/yr
Vineyard*	<u>-0-</u> af/yr	Vineyard*	-0-	af/yr
Other Agriculture	<u>-0-</u> af/yr	Other Agriculture	-0-	af/yr
Landscaping	0 af/yr	Landscaping	-0-	af/yr
Other Usage (List Se	parately);	Other Usage (List S	eparately)	•
·	af/yr			af/yr
	af/yr			af/yr
	af/yr			af/yr
TOTAL:	0 af/yr	TOTAL:	9.41	af/yr
TOTAL:	0 gallons ^{**}	TOTAL:	3,065,97	,

^{*}Water use for vineyards should be no lower than 0.2 AF—unless irrigation records are available that show otherwise.

Is the proposed use less than the existing usage $\,$ () Yes $\,$ (X) No $\,$ () Equal

^{**}To determine your existing and proposed total water use in gallons, multiply the totals (in acre- feet) by 325,821 gal/AF.

Landscape Water Use Calculations Revised 12-17-15 Project Type Commercial Napa Vault ETo allowance

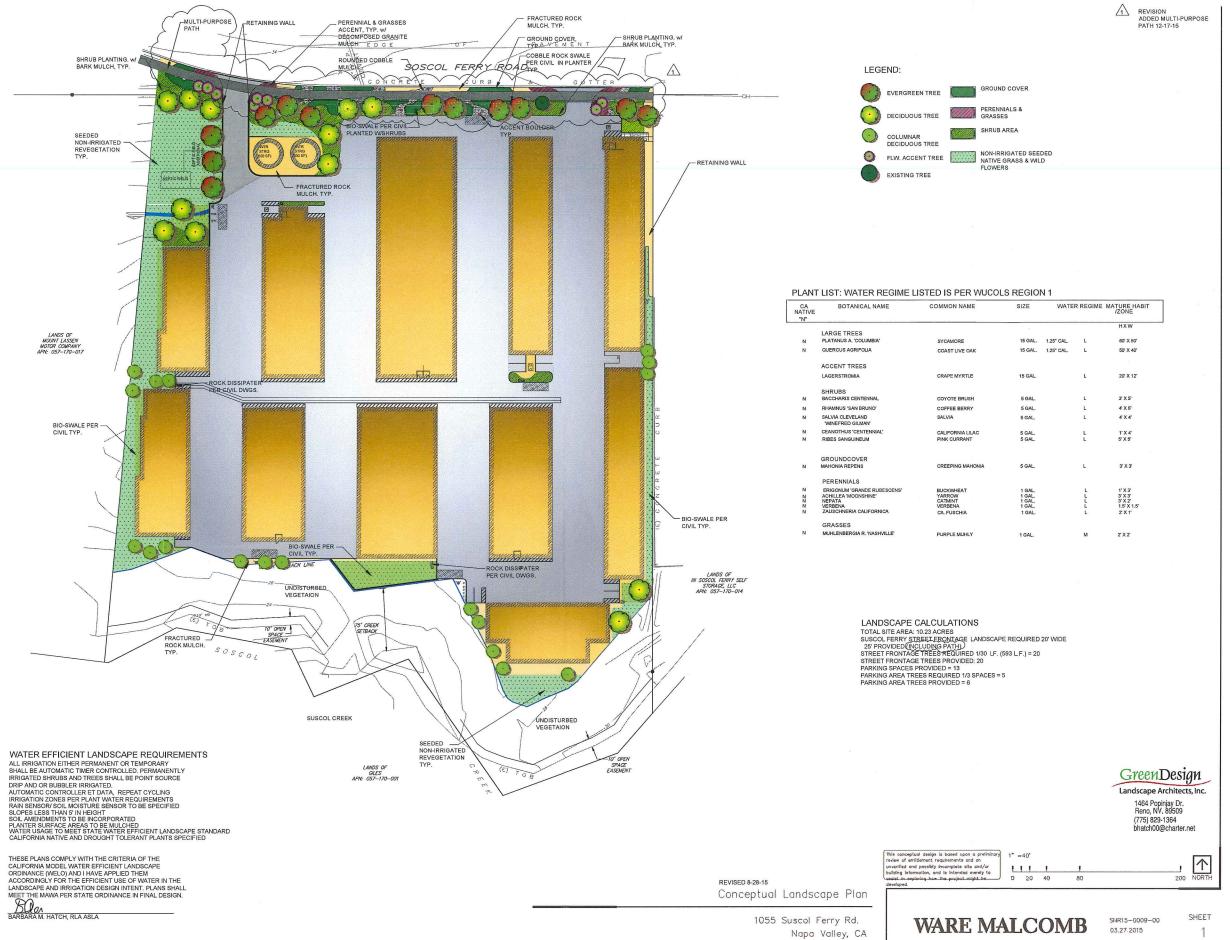
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				Plant Type	Water Use
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NAPA VAULT HYDROZONE INFORMATION TABLE REVISED 12-17-15

Please complete the hydrozone table(s) for each hydrozone. Use as many tables as necessary to provide the square footage of landscape area per hydrozone.

Hydrozone*	Zone or Valve	Irrigation Method**	Area (Sq. Ft.)	% of Landscap e Area
LW Shrubs Med. Density	1	Drip	1,336	29%
LW Shrubs Low Density	2	Drip/Bubbler	14,875	61%
LW Trees	3	Bubbler	2040	10%
VLW Seeded areas.	No irrigation	N/A	N/A	
VLW Rock Areas	No irrigation	N/A	N/A	
	Total		18,251 sq.ft.	100%

Hydrozone *
HW = High Water Use Plants
MW = Moderate Water Use Plants
LW = Low Water Use Plants
VLW= Very Low Water Us –Non Irrigated
Trees are assumed a 40 s.f. area for watering each.





ANNUAL GROUNDWATER RECHARGE RATE

NAPA VAULT 1055 SOSCOL FERRY ROAD NAPA, CA 94558

APN 057-170-018

PROPERTY OWNER:

Storage Tech, LLC 2783 Napa Valley Corporate Drive Napa, CA 94558

Project# 4114028.0

December 4, 2015



INTRODUCTION

This report determines the annual groundwater recharge rate for the Napa Vault property. The property is located at 1055 Soscol Ferry Road in Napa, parcel number 057-170-018. The parcel is 10.31 acres and has slopes ranging from 0 - 11%. The parcel has been divided into two areas, impervious, and pervious grassland with shrubs.

METHODOLOGY

The groundwater recharge rate has been determined by examining the annual rainfall, runoff and species specific evapotranspiration during winter months. The Annual Precipitation Chart and Watershed Types and Factors page in the Napa County Road and Street Standards were used to determine the annual rainfall amount and site runoff volumes. It was determined that the average annual rainfall amounts to 22 inches per year.

The runoff volumes were determined by calculating the site specific runoff coefficient. The runoff coefficients were calculated using aerial images to view the terrain and the county topography to estimate the slopes in each area.

The evapotranspiration losses were calculated using the Water Use Classifications of Landscape Species (WUCOLS) methodology for the grass and shrub areas. Only evapotranspiration from the winter was considered, as it is assumed that evapotranspiration in summer will be from irrigation water.

The groundwater recharge rate was calculated as the difference of the total annual rainfall and losses from the stormwater runoff and evapotranspiration. Refer to attached calculations.

Average Recharge Rate = Average Rainfall - Runoff - Evapotranspiration

CONCLUSION

The Napa Vault property has an annual rainfall of 22 inches per year, equating to 0.8 million cubic feet per year for the entire site.

Total evapotranspiration volume lost to grass and shrub areas on-site is 0.1 million cubic feet per year. The stormwater runoff from the site totals 0.6 million cubic feet per year. The total average evapotranspiration and runoff from the site is 0.7 million cubic feet per year.

The average annual groundwater recharge is 80,000 cubic feet per year for the 10.31 acre site. This equates an annual groundwater recharge rate of 0.19 acre-feet per acre per year.

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Groundwater Recharge Rate
Hydrologic Soil Group Napa Vault

	Groundwater Recharge Rate	Recharge Rate								
Site Description	Hydrologic Soil Group	Area (ac)	Total Annual Rainfall (in/yr)	Total Raintall (ft³/vr)						
Impervious Area	B/D	7.15	22	570,999						
Grass and Shrubs	B/D	3.16	22	252,358						
Total		10.31	22	823,357						
=				Evapotransp	Evapotranspiration (ET ₀)					
Site	January (Et _o) (in)	February (Et _o) (in)	March (Et _o) (in)	October (Et _o) (in)	November (Et _o) (in)	December (Et _o) (in)	Total ET _o (in)	Landscape Coefficient (k _c)	Landscape Evapotrans. (Et _c) (in) = Total Et _o x k _c	Total Landscape Evapotranspiration $(\mathfrak{k}^3/\mathrm{yr})$
Impervious Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0
Grass and Shrubs	1.03	1.53	2.93	3.53	1.64	1.17	11.83	8.0	9.46	108,560
Total										108,560
	Runoff									
Site	Run-Off Coefficient (C)	Total Runoff (ft³/yr)								
Impervious Area	0:00	513,899								
Grass and Shrubs	0.46	116,084								
Total		629,984								
		Groundwater Rechai	r Recharge Rate							
Site	Total Rainfall (ft³/yr)	Total Crop Evapotranspiration (ft³/yr)	Total Runoff (ft³/yr)	Total Stormwater loss on site (ft³/yr)	Groundwater Recharge Rate (ft³/yr)	Groundwater Recharge Rate (ac- ft/ac/yr)				
Impervious Area	570,999	0	513,899	513,899	57,100	0.18				
Grass and Shrubs	252,358	108,560	116,084	224,644	27,713	0.20				
Total	823,357	108,560	629,984	738,543	84,813	0.19				



MAP LEGEND

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MAP INFORMATION

The soil surveys that comprise your AOI were mapped at 1:24,000.

Warning: Soil Map may not be valid at this scale.

misunderstanding of the detail of mapping and accuracy of soil line placement. The maps do not show the small areas of contrasting Enlargement of maps beyond the scale of mapping can cause soils that could have been shown at a more detailed scale.

Please rely on the bar scale on each map sheet for map

measurements.

Web Soil Survey URL: http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov Source of Map: Natural Resources Conservation Service Coordinate System: Web Mercator (EPSG:3857)

Albers equal-area conic projection, should be used if more accurate distance and area. A projection that preserves area, such as the Maps from the Web Soil Survey are based on the Web Mercator projection, which preserves direction and shape but distorts calculations of distance or area are required. This product is generated from the USDA-NRCS certified data as of the version date(s) listed below.

Napa County, California Soil Survey Area:

Soil map units are labeled (as space allows) for map scales 1:50,000 Survey Area Data: Version 5, Nov 25, 2013

Date(s) aerial images were photographed: Nov 2, 2010—Feb 17, or larger.

imagery displayed on these maps. As a result, some minor shifting The orthophoto or other base map on which the soil lines were compiled and digitized probably differs from the background

Not rated or not available

Soil Rating Points

AVD

of map unit boundaries may be evident.

Hydrologic Soil Group

Hydrologic Soil Group— Summary by Map Unit — Napa County, California (CA055)								
Map unit symbol	Map unit name	Rating	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI				
104	Bale clay loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes	В	7.6	73.3%				
123	Coombs gravelly loam, 2 to 5 percent slopes	С	0.3	2.9%				
151	Hambright-Rock outcrop complex, 2 to 30 percent slopes	D	2.3	22.6%				
152	Hambright rock-Outcrop complex, 30 to 75 percent slopes	D	0.1	1.2%				
Totals for Area of Inte	rest	10.4	100.0%					

Description

Hydrologic soil groups are based on estimates of runoff potential. Soils are assigned to one of four groups according to the rate of water infiltration when the soils are not protected by vegetation, are thoroughly wet, and receive precipitation from long-duration storms.

The soils in the United States are assigned to four groups (A, B, C, and D) and three dual classes (A/D, B/D, and C/D). The groups are defined as follows:

Group A. Soils having a high infiltration rate (low runoff potential) when thoroughly wet. These consist mainly of deep, well drained to excessively drained sands or gravelly sands. These soils have a high rate of water transmission.

Group B. Soils having a moderate infiltration rate when thoroughly wet. These consist chiefly of moderately deep or deep, moderately well drained or well drained soils that have moderately fine texture to moderately coarse texture. These soils have a moderate rate of water transmission.

Group C. Soils having a slow infiltration rate when thoroughly wet. These consist chiefly of soils having a layer that impedes the downward movement of water or soils of moderately fine texture or fine texture. These soils have a slow rate of water transmission.

Group D. Soils having a very slow infiltration rate (high runoff potential) when thoroughly wet. These consist chiefly of clays that have a high shrink-swell potential, soils that have a high water table, soils that have a claypan or clay layer at or near the surface, and soils that are shallow over nearly impervious material. These soils have a very slow rate of water transmission.

If a soil is assigned to a dual hydrologic group (A/D, B/D, or C/D), the first letter is for drained areas and the second is for undrained areas. Only the soils that in their natural condition are in group D are assigned to dual classes.

Rating Options

Aggregation Method: Dominant Condition

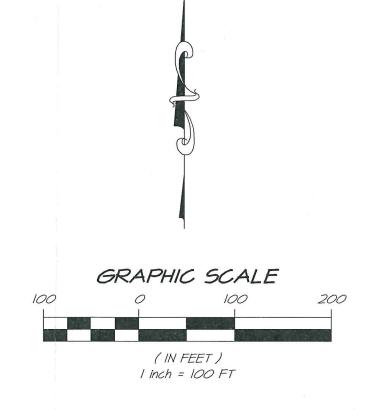
Component Percent Cutoff: None Specified

Tie-break Rule: Higher

NAPA VAULT GROUND WATER RECHARGE EXHIBIT



SITE DESCRIPTION	AREA (AC.)
IMPERVIOUS AREAS	7.15
PERVIOUS AREAS	3.16





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WATERSHED TYPES AND FACTORS

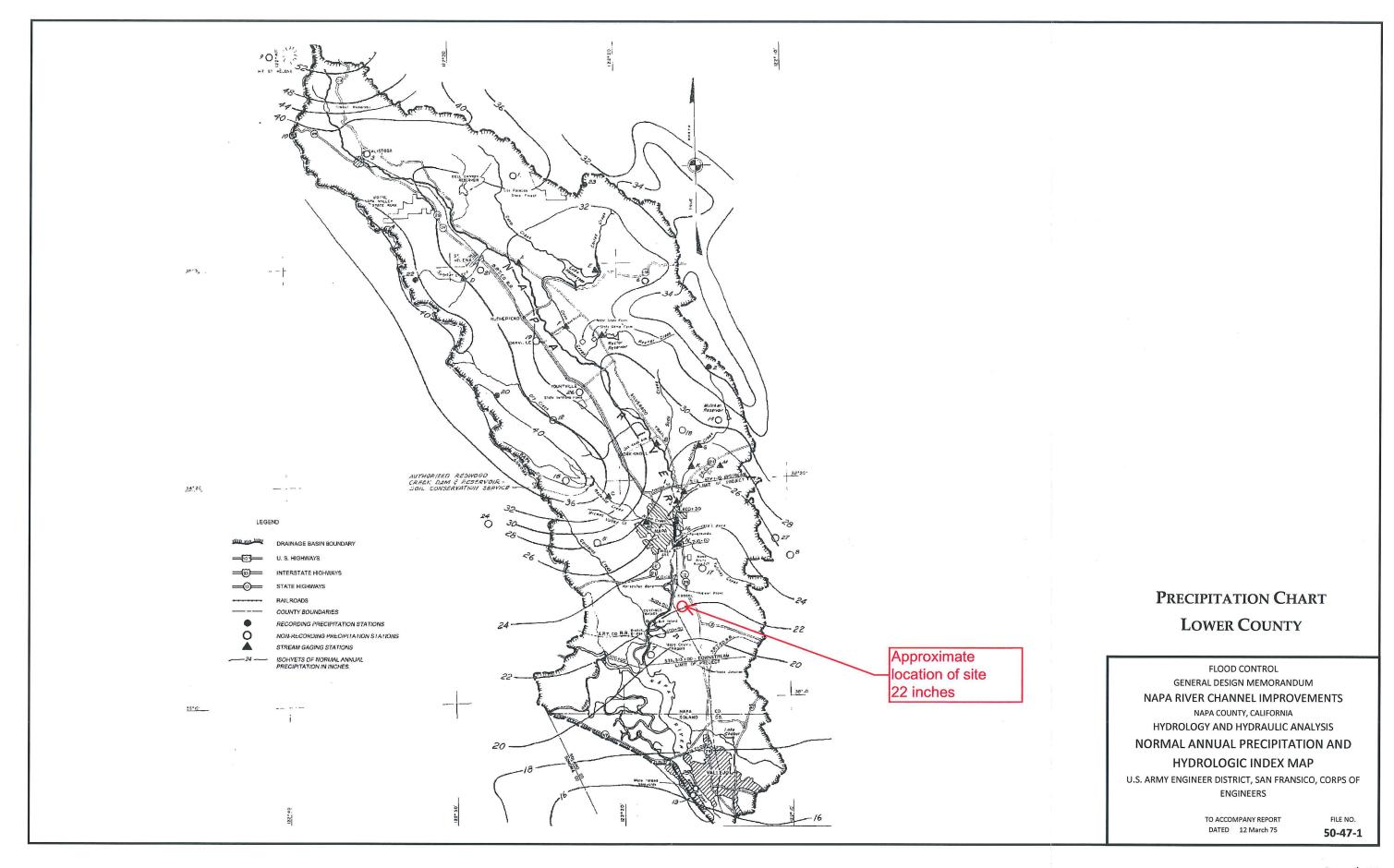
RUN-OFF PRODUCING CHARACTERISTICS OF WATERSHEDS SHOWING FACTORS FOR EACH CHARACTERISTIC FOR VARIOUS WATERSHED TYPES

WATERSHED TYPES AND FACTORS

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Run-off Producing				
Features	Extreme	High	Normal	Low
	0.28 - 0.38	0.20 - 0.28	0.20	0.08 - 0.14
Relief	Steep, rugged terrain, with average slopes above 30%	Rolling, with average slopes of 10 to 30%	Rolling, with average slopes of 5 to 10%	Relatively flat land, with average slopes of 0 to 5%
	0.12 - 0.16	0.10 0.08 – 0.12	0.06 - 0.08	0.04 - 0.06
Soil Infiltration	No effective soil cover either rock or thin soil mantle of negligible infiltration capacity.	Slow to take up water; clay or shallow loam soils of low infiltration capacity imperfectly or poorly drained.	Normal; well drained light and medium textured soils sandy loams, silt, and silt loams.	Slow to take up water; clay or shallow loam soils of low infiltration capacity imperfectly or poorly drained.
Vegetation Cover	0.12 – 0.16 No effective plant cover; bare or very sparse cover.	0.08 – 0.12 Poor to fair; clean cultivation crops or poor natural cover; less than 20% of drainage area under good cover.	0.06 0.06 – 0.08 Fair to good; about 50% of area in good grassland or woodland; not more than 50% of area in cultivated crops.	0.04 – 0.06 Good to excellent; about 90% of drainage area in good grassland, woodland, or equivalent crop.
Surface	0.10 – 0.12 Negligible; surface depressions, few and shallow; drainage ways steep and small; no marshes.	0.10 0.08 – 0.10 Low well-defined system of small drainage ways; no ponds or marsh.	0.06 – 0.08 Normal; considerable surface depression storage; lakes, ponds, and marshes.	0.04 – 0.06 High; surface storage high; drainage system not sharply defined; large floodplain storage or large number of ponds or marshes.

THE RUNOFF FACTOR IS DETERMINED BY THE SUM OF THE FACTORS FOR RELIEF INFILTRATION, COVER, AND SURFACE. NOT APPLICABLE TO BUILT UP AREAS. FIGURE 3

Total C = 0.20+0.10+0.06+0.10 = 0.46





A specialized weather station (CIMIS station) or a Class A evaporation pan (background) can be used to determine reference evapotranspiration (ET_{\circ}) for a site. Daily CIMIS data is available online at www.cimis. water.ca.gov.

The **crop coefficient** (K_c) is determined from field research. Water loss from a crop is measured over an extended period of time. Water loss and estimated reference evapotranspiration are used to calculate K_c as follows:

$$K_c = \frac{ET_c}{ET_o}$$

As seen in the above equation, the crop coefficient (K_c) is simply the fraction of water lost from the crop relative to reference evapotranspiration. Typically, crop water loss is less than reference evapotranspiration and, therefore, the crop coefficient is

less than 1.0. For example, if water loss from corn was measured to be 4 inches in a month, and reference evapotranspiration for the same month was 8 inches, then the crop coefficient would be 0.5. Crop coefficients have been established for many crops and for turfgrasses. A sample of values is given in Table 1.

Table 1—
Crop Coefficients for Various Crops and
Turfgrasses

 K_c values for agricultural crops typically change during the seasons: low values are for early season (March/April) or late season (September/October) and high values for midseason (May/June/July).

K₀ values								
	Low	High						
Deciduous orchard*	0.50	0.97						
Deciduous orchard with								
cover crop**	0.98	1.27						
Grape	0.06	0.80						
Olive	0.58	0.80						
Pistachio	0.04	1.12						
Citrus	0.65	year-round						
Turfgrass								
Cool season species	0.8	year-round						
Warm season species	0.6	year-round						

Source: UC Leaflet Nos. 21427 and 21428 (see references)

In summary, an estimate of crop evapotranspiration is made from reference evapotranspiration and crop coefficient values. Estimates can be made for any location where reference evapotranspiration data exists and for any crop (or turfgrass) that has a crop coefficient.

Example: A grape grower in Monterey County wants to estimate how much water the vineyard may lose in the month of July. Using the ET_c formula, two numbers are needed: reference evapotranspi-

^{*} Deciduous orchard includes apples, cherries, and walnuts

^{**} When an active cover crop is present, K_c may increase by 25 to 80%.