

SSFL WATER

WED. JULY 26 | 6:30 PM | ONLINE

Guest Speaker: Michael Rincon
Research & Policy Manager,
Physicians for Social Responsibility-
Los Angeles



Acknowledgements

Parents Against SSFL acknowledges the original inhabitants of the land that the Santa Susana Field Lab encompasses. The 2,850 acres of land that constitutes SSFL has been utilized by the Ventureño Chumash, the Tongva, and Fernandeno Tataviam Band of Mission Indians indigenous communities for time immemorial.

We acknowledge and honor the original inhabitants and seek meaningful partnership and inclusion in the stewardship and protection of their cultural resources and homelands.

Acknowledgements

Parents Against SSFL wishes to acknowledge the expertise and dedication of **Dan Hirsch**, President of Committee to Bridge the Gap, and **Denise Duffield**, Associate Director of Physicians for Social Responsibility of Los Angeles.

We wouldn't be here without their tireless advocacy and leadership.

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Site Overview

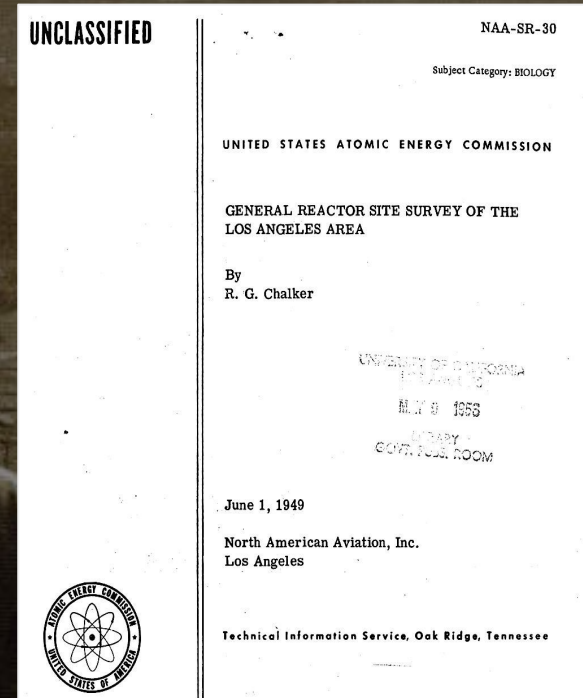
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Santa Susana Field Laboratory

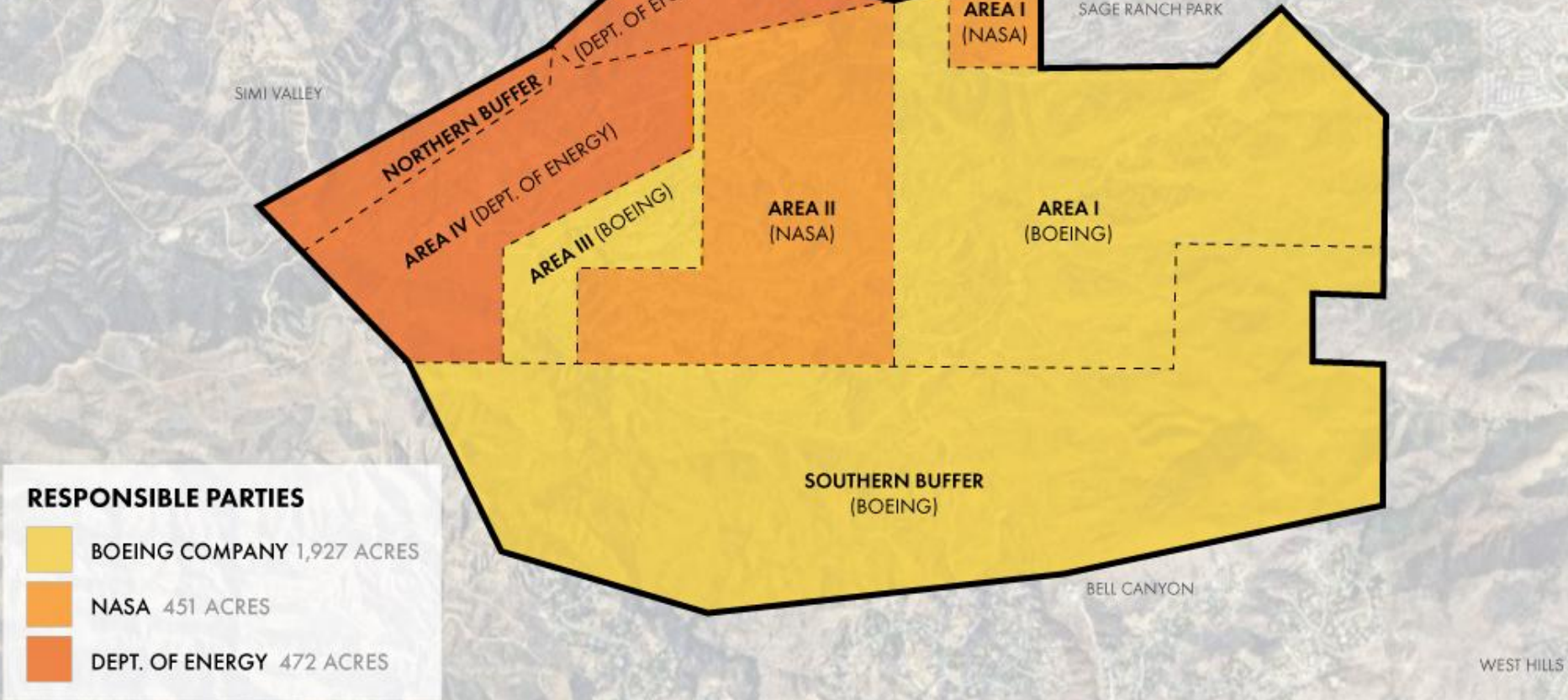
(Formerly known as Rocketdyne)

- Established late 1940s for rocket testing
- In 1949, Atomic Energy Commission looked for a remote nuclear testing lab for work too dangerous to do in populated areas
- SSFL area ranked 5th out of 6 for meteorological safety criteria
- Picked due to driving time to UCLA & USC






SANTA SUSANA FIELD LAB

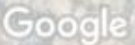
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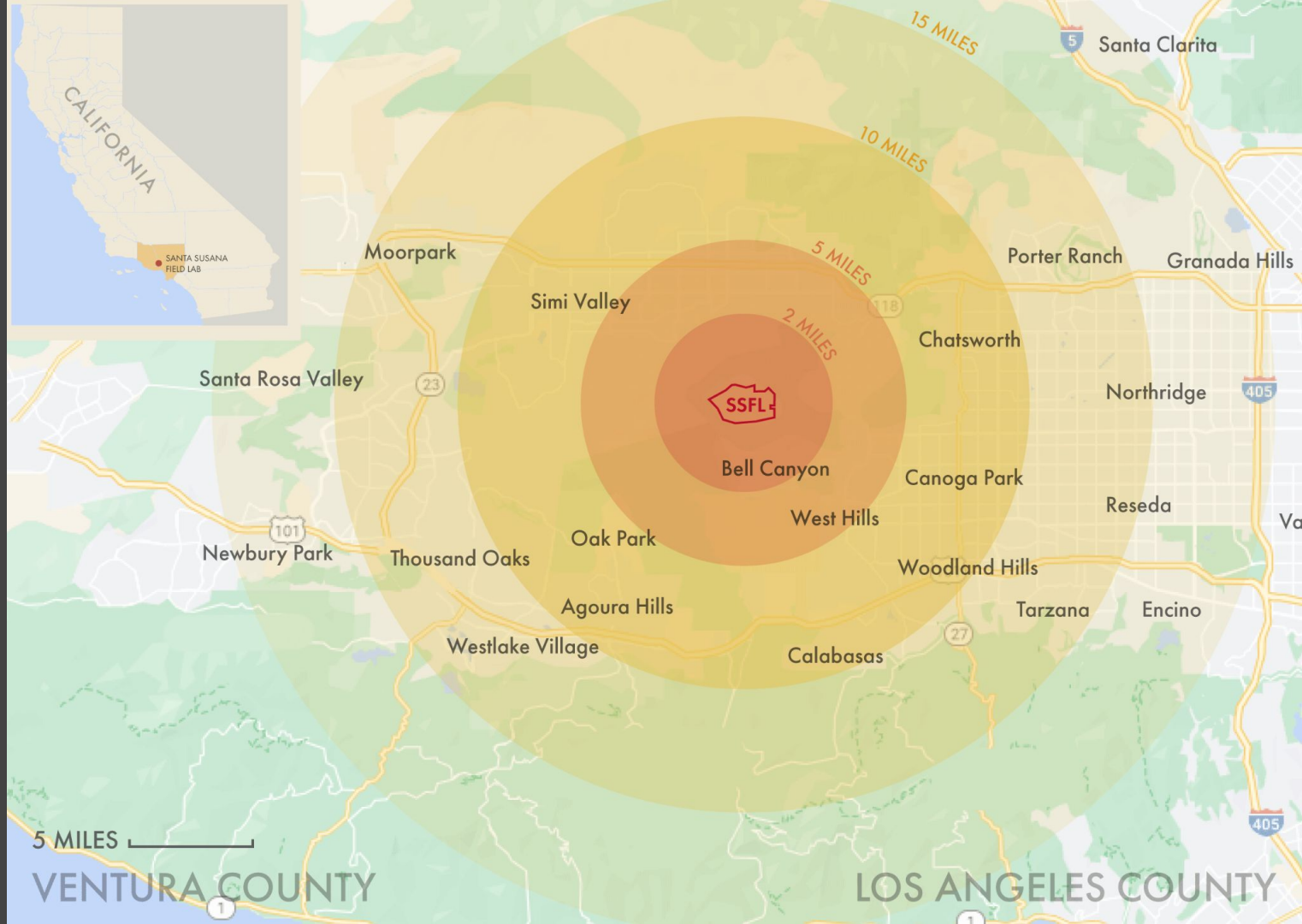
-  BOEING COMPANY 1,927 ACRES
-  NASA 451 ACRES
-  DEPT. OF ENERGY 472 ACRES

Map by Parents Against SSFL | 2023

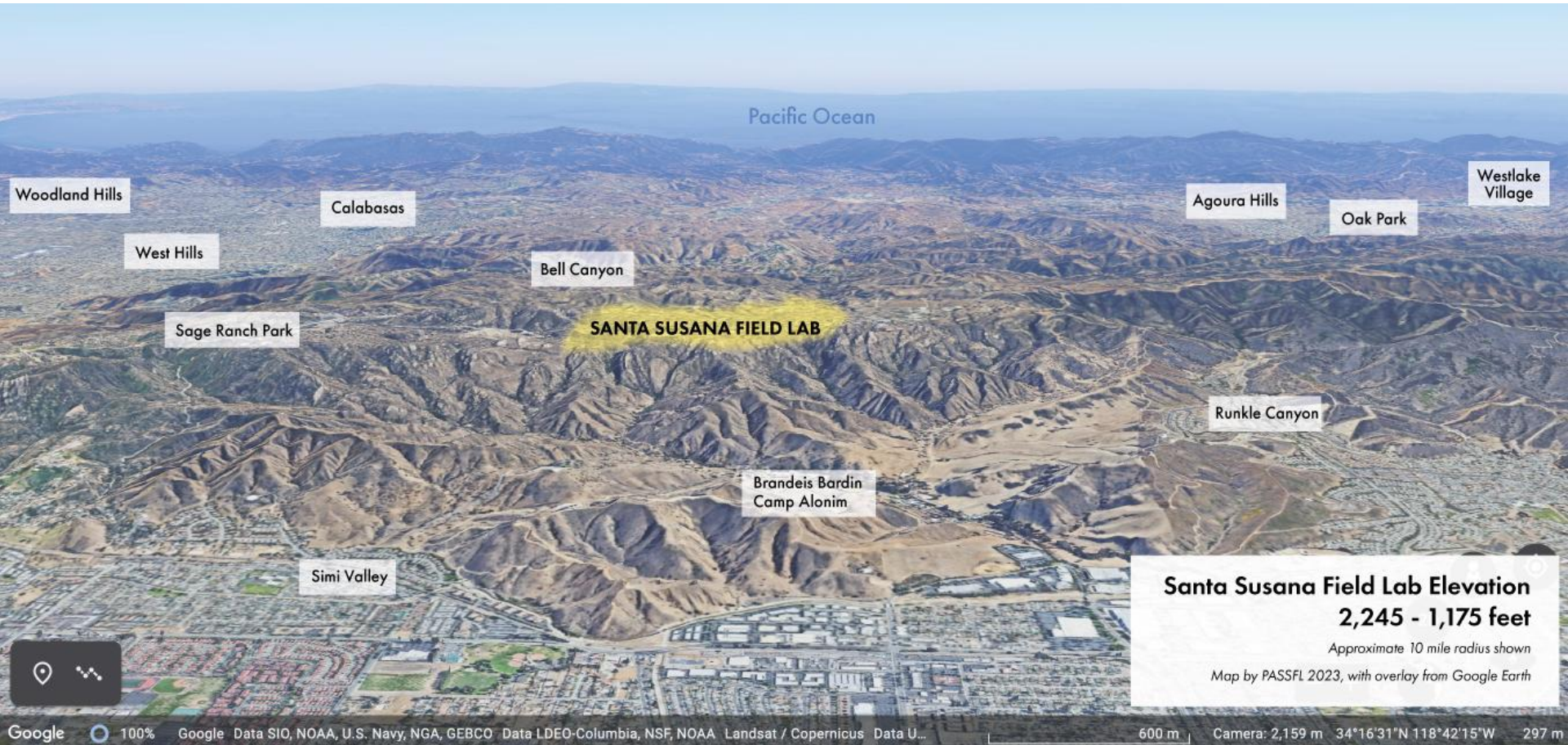


Location:

Over 700,000 people live within 10 miles of the SSFL



Location: Located on Plateau Above Communities



Rocket Engine Testing

Over 30,000 rocket engine tests conducted

800,000 gallons of toxic Trichloroethylene (TCE) was lost into soil

500,000 gallons of TCE remain in Chatsworth Aquifer



Open Air Burn Pits

Burned chemical and radioactive waste at two locations at SSFL

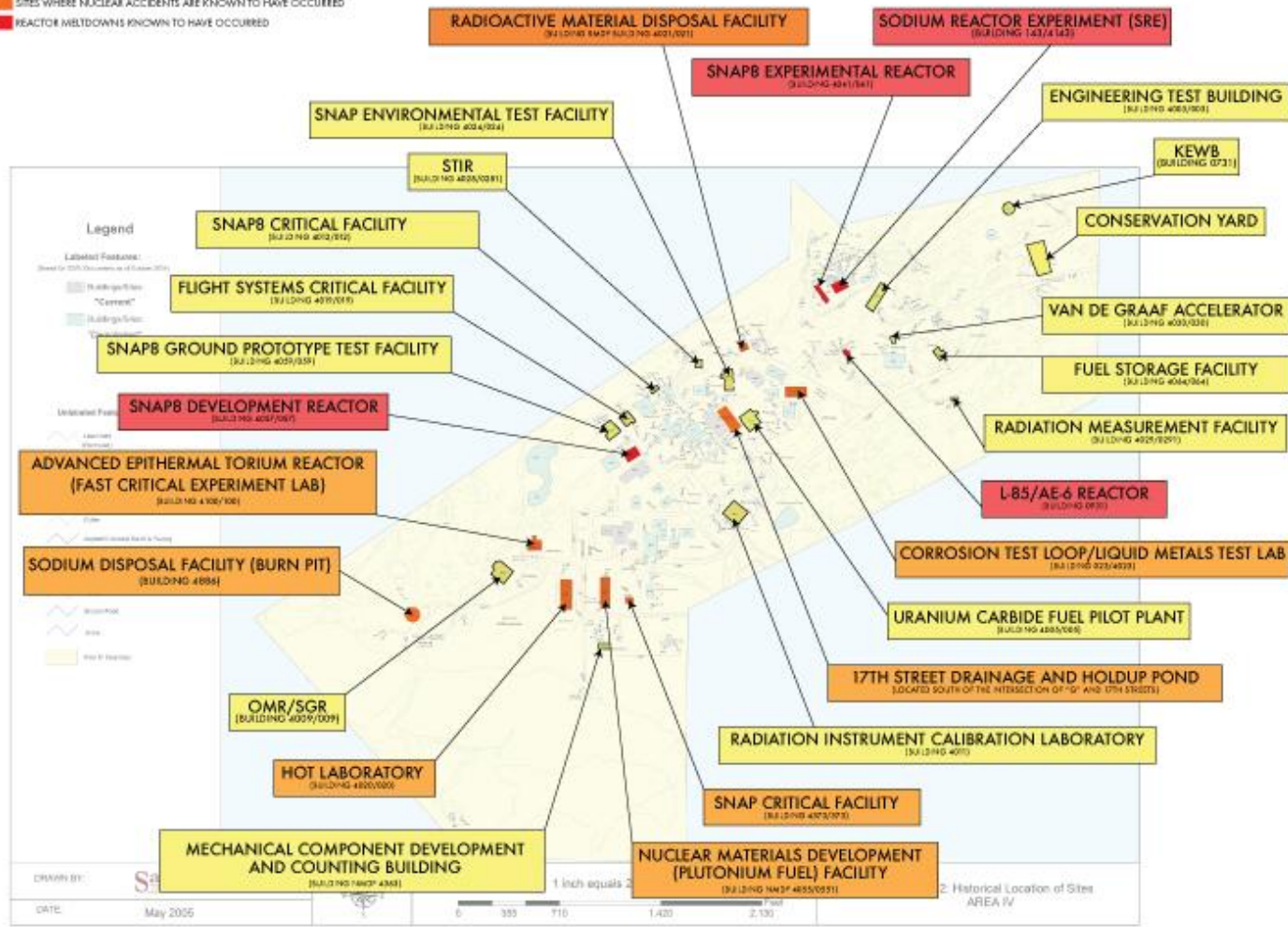
Huge plumes of contaminated smoke spread to local communities

Violated known environmental laws



RADIOACTIVE ACTIVITY SANTA SUSANA FIELD LABORATORY | AREA IV

- SITES WHERE NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES WERE CARRIED OUT
- SITES WHERE NUCLEAR ACCIDENTS ARE KNOWN TO HAVE OCCURRED
- REACTOR MELTDOWNS KNOWN TO HAVE OCCURRED



Nuclear Work in Area IV

10 Nuclear Reactors

1 Reactor meltdown

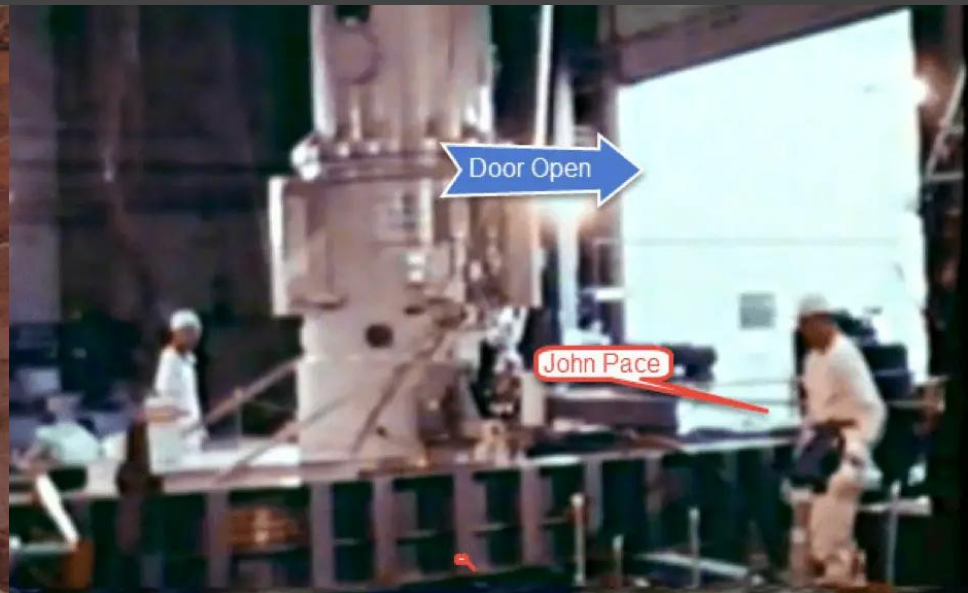
3 Reactor accidents

Plutonium and Uranium Fuel Facilities

Area IV had radioactive accidents, explosions, spills, leaks and fires

Open air burn pits

Sodium Reactor Experiment (SRE): 1959



“...13 of 43 fuel elements in the SRE reactor core failed due to overheating when the cooling flow provided by liquid sodium was blocked or partially blocked by tetralin that had leaked into the primary sodium loop during prior power runs...”

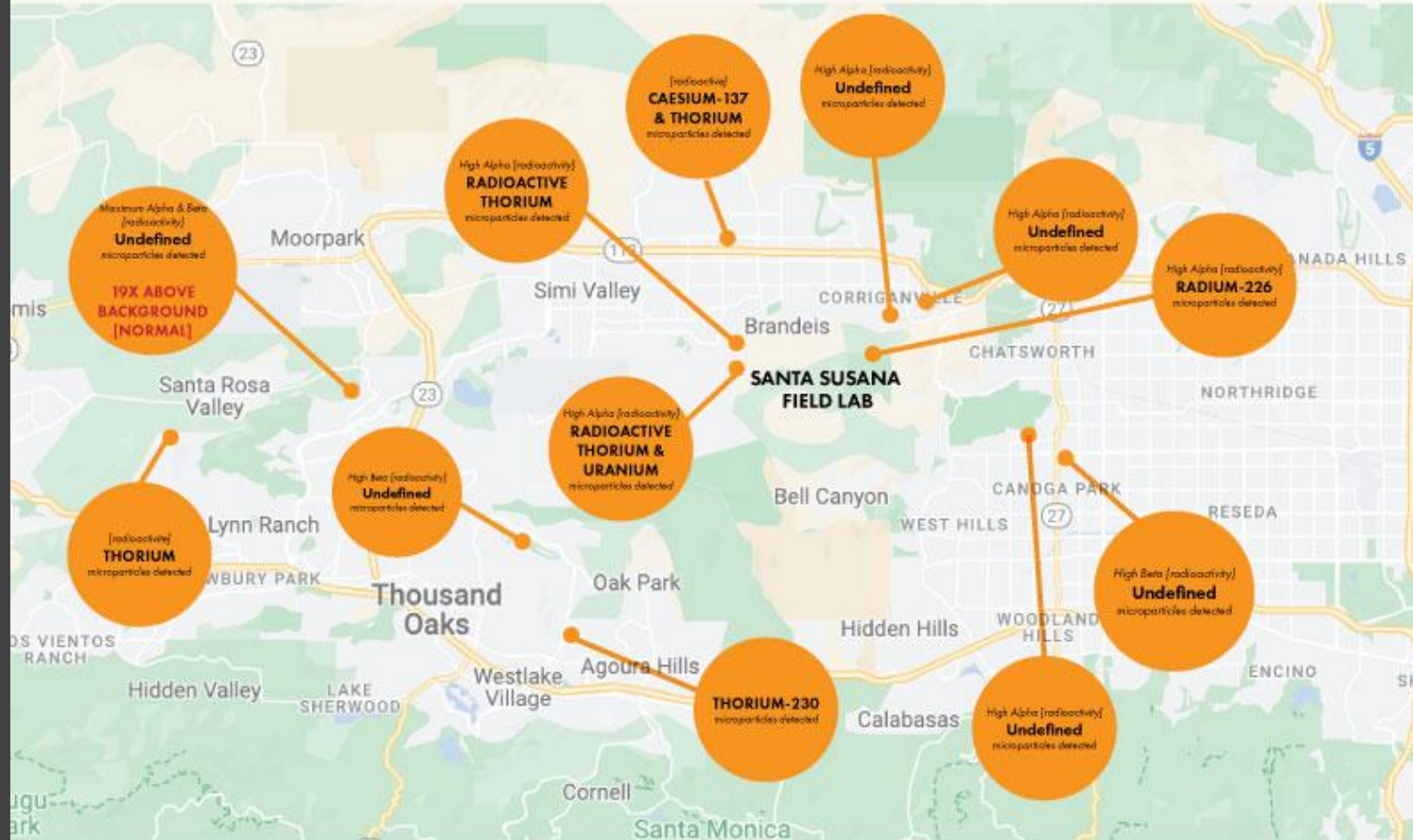
[*An Assessment of Potential Pathways for Release of Gaseous Radiation*](#)

APPROXIMATE LOCATIONS OF RADIOACTIVE SAMPLES

WOOLSEY FIRE SOIL STUDY 2018-2019

Contaminants Migrate Offsite: Soil

Independent study found radioactive contamination after the the Woolsey Fire



2022 Settlement Agreement: Health Impacts

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especially women and children?

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TOPIC: HEALTH IMPACTS

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Surface Water

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Surface Water & Rain Runoff

IMPACTS: Groundwater | Watersheds | Drinking Water | Crop Irrigation | Wildlife | Water Recreation | Pacific Ocean

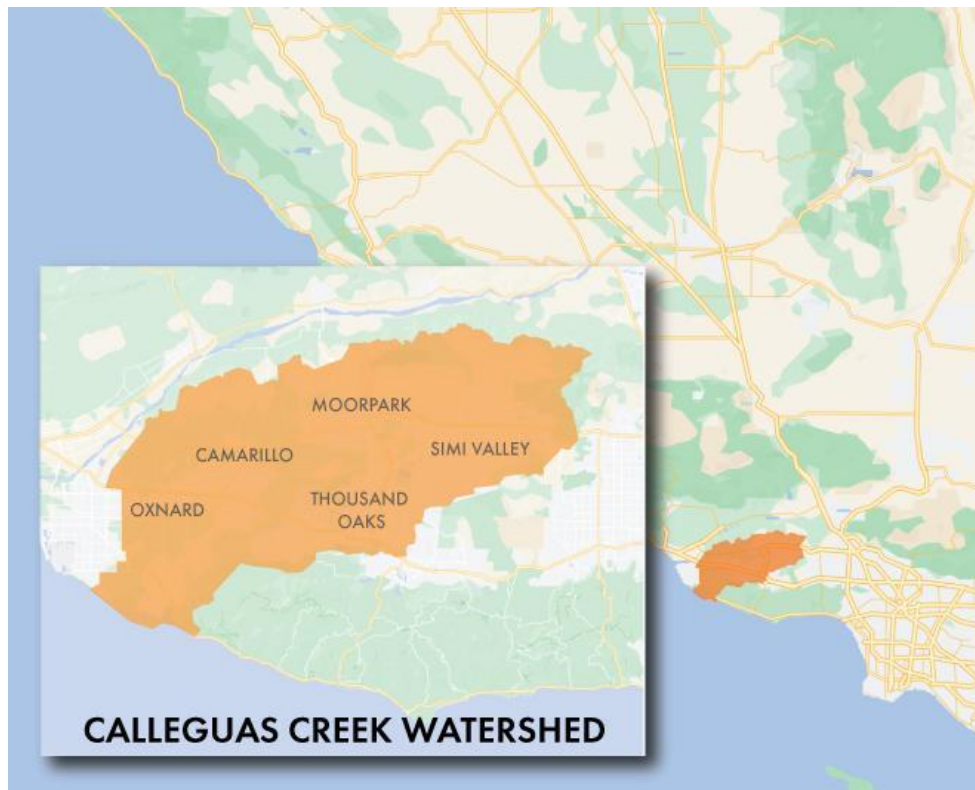
Surface Water: SSFL impacts Los Angeles River

“The SSFL has the potential... to discharge approximately 187,000,000 gallons per day of stormwater runoff that may contain pollutants from the facility. Approximately 60% of the discharge exits the property...to Bell Creek, a tributary to the Los Angeles River.”



Surface Water: Calleguas Creek Watershed

“Surface water discharges from the northwest edge of SSFL are directed to Arroyo Simi, a tributary located in the Calleguas Creek Watershed. Supplies of groundwater are critical to agricultural operations ...much of the population in the watershed relies upon groundwater for drinking.”



Chemicals of Historical Concern at SSFL

Contaminants of Concern at SSFL, discharged without limits

Contaminants discharged with limits under NPDES 2022

Header

TOTAL OF CHEMICALS HISTORICALLY DETECTED AT SSFL: 310

TOTAL CHEMICALS NOT REGULATED BY BOEING'S 2022 DRAFT NPDES: 276

Chemical	CAS#	Chemical System	Chemicals Detected in Soil*	Chemicals Detected in Soil Vapor*	Chemicals Detected in Epineurial Surface Water*	Chemicals Detected in Epineurial Surface Water*	Chemicals Detected in Epineurial Sediment*	Chemicals Detected in Permanent Sediment*	Chemicals Detected in Near Surface Groundwater*	Chemicals Detected in Steps/Springs*
Organic Compounds										
Aluminum	7429905	Aluminum, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Aluminum, dissolved	7429905.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Arsenic	7440002	Arsenic, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Arsenic, dissolved	7440002.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Barium	5480002	Barium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Barium, dissolved	5480002.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Beryllium	7440017	Beryllium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Beryllium, dissolved	7440017.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Boron	7440042	Boron, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Boron, dissolved	7440042.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cadmium	7440049	Cadmium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cadmium, dissolved	7440049.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Chromium	7440173	Chromium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Chromium, dissolved	7440173.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cobalt	7440044	Cobalt, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cobalt, dissolved	7440044.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Copper	7440059	Copper, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Copper, dissolved	7440059.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cyanide	57133	Cyanide, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fluoride	7782414	Fluoride, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hexavalent Chromium	18548029	Chromium, Hexavalent	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hexavalent Chromium, dissolved	18548029.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lead	8080110	Lead, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lead, dissolved	8080110.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lithium	7130102	Lithium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lithium, dissolved	7130102.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Manganese	7439962	Manganese, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Manganese, dissolved	7439962.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mercury	7439964	Mercury, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mercury, dissolved	7439964.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Molybdenum	7439967	Molybdenum, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Molybdenum, dissolved	7439967.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nickel	7440020	Nickel, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nickel, dissolved	7440020.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Phosphorus	7723148	Phosphorus, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Phosphorus, dissolved	7723148.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Selenium	7782422	Selenium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Selenium, dissolved	7782422.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Silver	7782422	Silver, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Silver, dissolved	7782422.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sodium	7440046	Sodium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sodium, dissolved	7440046.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Thallium	7440029	Thallium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Thallium, dissolved	7440029.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tin	7440111	Tin, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tin, dissolved	7440111.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Titanium	7440026	Titanium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Titanium, dissolved	7440026.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Vanadium	7440178	Vanadium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Vanadium, dissolved	7440178.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Zinc	7440066	Zinc, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Zinc, dissolved	7440066.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Zirconium	7440077	Zirconium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Zirconium, dissolved	7440077.01		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Organic Compounds										
1,1-Dinitroethene	53290	o-Dinitroethene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
1,2-Diphenylhydrazine	132667		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
1,3-Dinitrobenzene	99059	m-Dinitrobenzene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
1,4-Dinitrobenzene	100254	p-Dinitrobenzene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2,4-Dinitroethene	11807		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2,4-Dinitroethene	602524		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2,4-Dinitroethene	131142		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2-Amino-6-nitroethene	3557792		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2-Nitroethene	88722		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2-Nitroethene	9984		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4-Amino-2,6-dinitroethene	1940510	8-Azo-2,6-DNF	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4-Nitroethene	9990		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
DDMX	2091419		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Dibenzene	20911		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Dimethylhydrazine	60344		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nitrobenzene	9806		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Perchlorate	1479790		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
PTN	78115		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
QXV	11814		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Volatile Organic Compounds										
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	61036		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	71156		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	78844		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-tetrafluoroethane	76133	From 113	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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Over 300 chemicals of concern have been detected in SSFL soil, groundwater and/or surface water. Only 35 of these are being monitored in Boeing's current NPDES permit. We don't know how many GSW is monitoring for at this time.

Surface Water: Repeated violations of NPDES brings contamination offsite



Surface Water Runoff Brings Contamination Offsite

National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit regulates how much contamination can flow offsite during rain events, however, the limits are regularly exceeded. Boeing has been fined over \$1M for NPDES violations at the SSFL.



Los Angeles Times

Boeing pays fine for water quality violations



L.A. TIMES ARCHIVES
SEPT. 12, 2007 12 AM PT

FROM TIMES STAFF AND WIRE REPORTERS
Boeing Co. has paid more than \$471,000 to settle a state enforcement action... for scores of water quality violations at the company's Santa Susana Field Laboratory near Los Angeles.

Boeing was accused of allowing contaminated water to flow from the nuclear and rocket engine test facility at the Arroyo Simi and Bell Creek.

"Boeing will work with the water board to determine reasonable and effective options for future compliance," Boeing spokeswoman Blythe Jameson said.

In late July, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board issued a formal complaint against Boeing, saying it had improperly controlled wastewater and storm water runoff from the 2,800-acre property in the hills between Simi Valley and Chatsworth. The company had 30 days to contest the complaint or pay.

- Other elevated toxins in water, measured at outfalls at the site's edges, included arsenic, cyanide, dioxins, copper, iron, manganese, nickel and a form of radiation called gross alpha, the Boeing reports state. All are pollutants known to have been generated by the old laboratory during its decades of rocket testing and experimentation with nuclear reactors, as reported in state and federal records. The contaminants remain

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NPDES Violations after Woolsey Fire

- 57 exceedances of pollution limits relating to surface water leaving SSFL were reported after the Woolsey fire at SSFL
- The limits exceeded were established by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board in Boeing's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit as essential to protect public health and the environment.
- The increase in number of exceedances were attributed to the fire. The Water Board waived the fines saying the fire was an act of God, but if Boeing had been cleaned up the site there would have been no exceedances.

Contaminant	Regional Water Quality Control Board Limit	Reported Exceedance Value	How much larger was the exceedance than the limit?
Copper	14 µg/L	52 µg/L	4 times the limit
Iron	0.3 mg/L	98 mg/L	327 times the limit
Lead	5.2 mg/L	88 mg/L	17 times the limit
Selenium	8.2 µg/L	11 µg/L	1.3 times the limit
Zinc	119 µg/L	430 µg/L	4 times the limit
Cyanide	9.5 µg/L	15 µg/L	1.6 times the limit
TCDD	2.8E-08 µg/L	1.7E-07 µg/L	6 times the limit
Gross Alpha	15 pCi/L	60.7±14.7 pCi/L	4 to 5 times the limit
E. Coli	235 MPN/100mL	5,300 MPN/100mL	23 times the limit
Manganese	50 µg/L	920 µg/L	18 times the limit
Arsenic	10.0 µg/L	17 µg/L	1.7 times the limit
Nickel	86 µg/L	170 µg/L	2 times the limit

Save the Date

Boeing's Proposed SSFL NPDES Permit

Date: September 28, 2023

Time: 9am

Where: Ventura County Government Hall of Justice
Board Of Supervisors Hearing Room
800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura CA 93009



Surface Water: PCBs in Bell Canyon 2023

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The Potential for Offsite Exposures
Associated with Santa Susana Field Laboratory,
Ventura County, California

Final Draft Report

Report Prepared by
Center for Environmental Risk Reduction
University of California at Los Angeles, California

February 2, 2006

“There are numerous surface runoff channels in the neighborhoods surrounding Bell Creek that are easily accessible to children. Surface water runoff of contaminants from SSFL to Bell Creek was detected in NPDES outfalls that run into Bell Creek.”

Potential for Offsite Exposure, UCLA 2006

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Melissa Burnshead	AETL Job Number: BEA0104	Site: Bell Canyon, West Hills, CA
	Project Number: [none]	
	Attention: Melissa Burnshead	
	Project Name: Rain Water Sample	Reported: 01/25/2023 15:54

Analytical Results

Client ID: Bell Canyon
Lab ID: BEA0104-01 (Aqueous) Sampled: 01/09/23 12:59

Analyte	Result	Qualifier	Dilution	MDL	RL	Units	Prepared Date/Time	Analyzed Date/Time	Batch	Analyst Initials	Prog. Method
PCBs											
Method: EPA 8082											
Aroclor 1016 (PCB 1016)	ND		1	0.070	0.500	ug/L	01/13/23 17:34	01/19/23 17:08	03A0237	ATS	3510C
Aroclor 1211 (PCB 1211)	ND		1	0.0950	0.500	ug/L	01/13/23 17:34	01/19/23 17:08	03A0237	ATS	3510C
Aroclor 1232 (PCB 1232)	ND		1	0.160	0.500	ug/L	01/13/23 17:34	01/19/23 17:08	03A0237	ATS	3510C
Aroclor 1242 (PCB 1242)	ND		1	0.219	0.500	ug/L	01/13/23 17:34	01/19/23 17:08	03A0237	ATS	3510C
Aroclor 1248 (PCB 1248)	ND		1	0.227	0.500	ug/L	01/13/23 17:34	01/19/23 17:08	03A0237	ATS	3510C
Aroclor 1254 (PCB 1254)	ND		1	0.0830	0.500	ug/L	01/13/23 17:34	01/19/23 17:08	03A0237	ATS	3510C
Aroclor 1260 (PCB 1260)	0.349		1	0.108	0.500	ug/L	01/13/23 17:34	01/19/23 17:08	03A0237	ATS	3510C
Aroclor 1262 (PCB 1262)	ND		1	1.00	5.00	ug/L	01/13/23 17:34	01/19/23 17:08	03A0237	ATS	3510C
Aroclor 1268 (PCB 1268)	ND		1	1.00	5.00	ug/L	01/13/23 17:34	01/19/23 17:08	03A0237	ATS	3510C
Recovery											
Acceptance Criteria											
Surrogate: Dechlorobiphenyl	102%						01/13/23 17:34	01/19/23 17:08	03A0237	ATS	3510C
Surrogate: Tetrafluoroethylene	112%						01/13/23 17:34	01/19/23 17:08	03A0237	ATS	3510C

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“3.11. There shall be no discharge of polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) compounds, such as those once commonly used for transformer fluid, unless specifically authorized elsewhere in this Order.”

Aroclor-1260 (PCB-1260)

0.349

EPA’s enforceable MCL for PCBs in public drinking-water systems is 0.0005 ppm.

Boeing Proposed NPDES Permit 2022 PDF page 6:

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<https://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/cssem/polychlorinated-biphenyls/standards.html#:~:text=EPA's%20enforceable%20MCL%20for%20PCBs,between%200.2%20and%203%20ppm.>



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Contaminated water from the SSFL shouldn't be going into Bell Canyon...

But it is.



SSFL WATER

Groundwater

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Groundwater

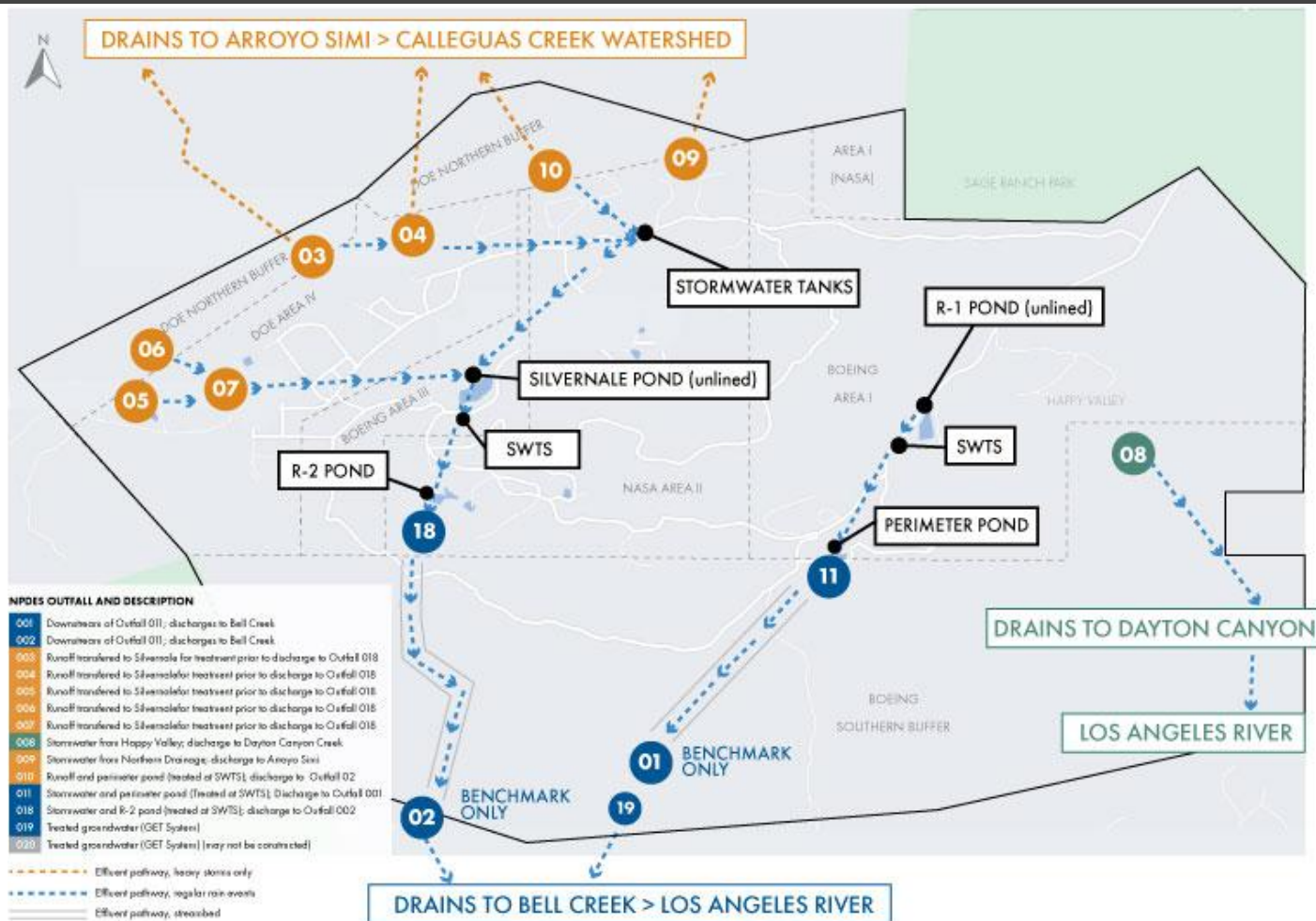
A photograph of a river with greenish water, a concrete dam structure on the left, and a large pipe on the right bank. The scene is outdoors with trees and rocks.

**IMPACTS: Aquifers | Watersheds | Drinking Water | Crop Irrigation | Wildlife |
CAN TAKE CENTURIES TO REMEDIATE**

Groundwater: Remediation

“Compared to surface water pollution, investigation and remediation of groundwater are often more difficult, costly, and extremely slow.”

Groundwater: Re-Polluting Silvernale Pond



Groundwater: BMP Removal at Silvernale Pond



Water doesn't get extracted for treatment until the entire pond reaches a depth of eight feet, That means contaminated storm and surface water from other areas are brought here to accumulate and percolate into the groundwater until that arbitrary marker is met.

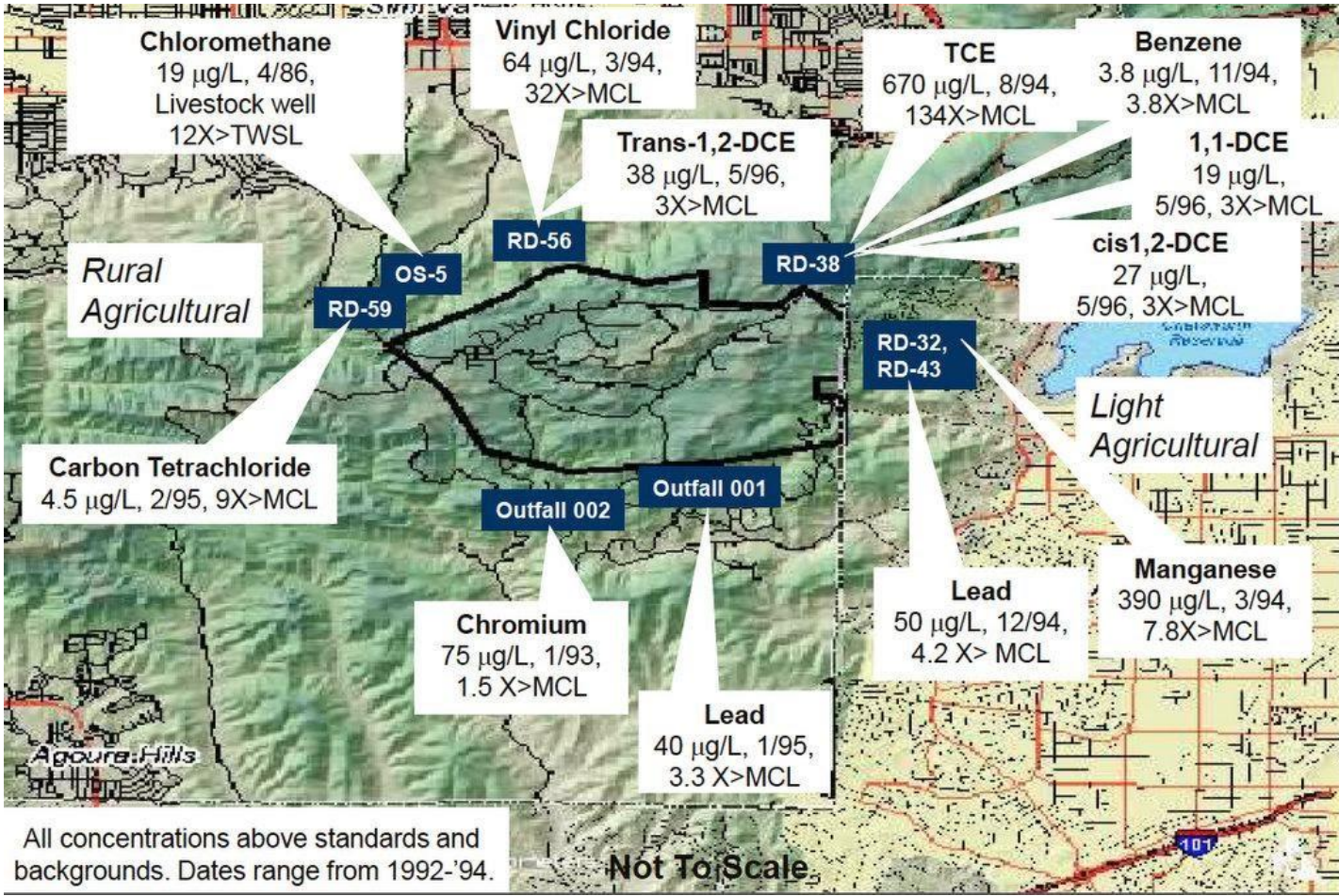
Issues:

- Extraction happens once pipe is sufficiently elevated and contaminants have had the chance to settle on the bottom
- Flow from smaller rain events don't get treated, and is left
- Volume loss to groundwater hasn't been monitored or measured
- Expert Panel claims "clay" soil prevents contamination from leaching into groundwater
- Silvernale sediment has not been tested for contamination

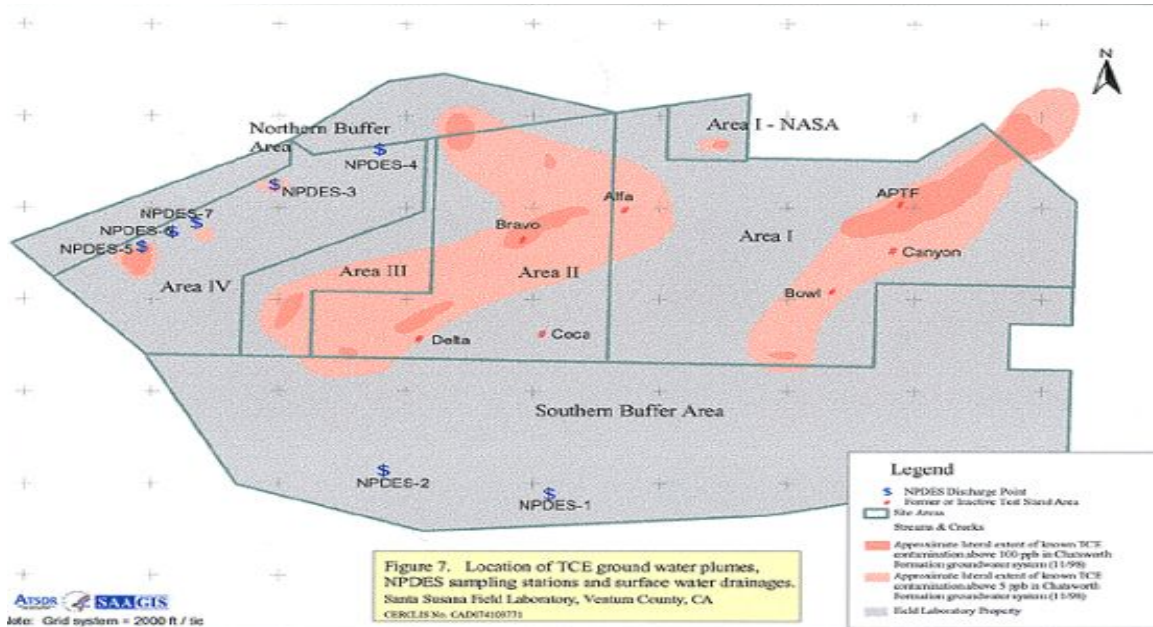


Contaminants Migrate Offsite: Groundwater

Located offsite in numerous locations in offsite wells, seeps and springs



Groundwater: TCE Plume



TCE is the contaminant present in the largest quantity throughout all of the SSFL sources. Estimates indicate that up to 800,000 gallons of TCE were used during the engine flushing procedures. Cooling and rinse water containing TCE entered the surface impoundments, ultimately resulting in contamination of the underlying soil and groundwater.

Recent estimates indicate that over 500,000 gallons of TCE were discharged to the ground at the SSFL site during its operation.

Groundwater: Known Contaminants



1.3 Investigation and Remediation Activities. The Property has been investigated by the Covenanter and the Department of Energy (“DOE”)¹ under the Department’s oversight. That investigation found that hazardous materials, including volatile organic compounds, semi-volatile organic compounds, petroleum hydrocarbons, metals, perchlorate and other inorganic compounds, polychlorinated biphenyls, dioxins and furans, and pesticides and herbicides, as well as energetics and radionuclides, are located in the groundwater at the Property at levels above drinking water standards and are unacceptable for unrestricted use. In connection with such investigation, the Department approved (i) a Final Groundwater Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (“RCRA”) Facility Investigation Report for the groundwater located in Areas I, III, and the SUL; (ii) a Final RCRA Facility Investigation Data Summary and Findings

Groundwater: Key Facts About Tritium

- Forms Radioactive Water: HTO (one of the hydrogen atoms in the water molecule is radioactive)
 - It is not dissolved in the water; it is the water.
 - Can't be filtered out.
- 12.3 year half life (dangerous for approximately 250 years)
- Permissible level in drinking water: 20,000 pico-Curies per liter (pCi/L)
- Background tritium levels are approximately 10 pCi/L
- As of 2006: >20 wells have had statistically significant levels of tritium in groundwater samples, exceeding background
- Tritium levels are currently as high as 119,000 pCi/L
- More than 110 samples have tested positive for elevated tritium

Groundwater: SSFL Perchlorate Study



Perchlorate is a component of solid rocket fuel

California MCL perchlorate: 6 ppb

California Public Health Goal perchlorate: 1 ppb

Perchlorate was discovered in a groundwater sample obtained from the dewatering project area in the western end of Simi Valley...

...in stream-bed sediments [Dayton Canyon] collected in May 2005, perchlorate with concentrations of up to 62,000,000 ppb was measured in sediments of Dayton Creek.

...Although other putative sources of perchlorate in the soils and water resources of the area have been suggested, the SSFL is the only confirmed industrial area where perchlorate compounds have been used, stored, and disposed of that represents a plausible source for perchlorate contamination in the area...

Groundwater: Wildlife



Contamination can reach wildlife through naturally occurring springs, seeps and artesian wells near the SSFL.

“As a result, contaminated groundwater of the area can potentially flow in several directions toward local valley floors and lowland areas, including groundwater discharge zones and **could appear as seeps, springs, and flowing (artesian) wells** on hillsides and surrounding valley floors.”

Groundwater: Wildlife

“SSFL has been and continues to pollute the surrounding watershed and groundwater basins for decades, causing irreparable harm to sensitive plants, wildlife and residents of the nearby areas.”

Tevin Schmitt
Watershed Scientist,
Wishtoyo Chumash Foundation



Groundwater: 2023 Groundwater Report

Quarterly Report on Groundwater Monitoring, Area IV, Quarter 1, 2023

Sample Results Evaluation

Some analytes were reported for the first time and above the associated SSFL screening criteria in wells with established historical data during 2023:

Question: Why are there new and higher levels of contaminants in the groundwater?

Shows that contamination in groundwater isn't consistent, needs to be tested often.



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Sample Results Evaluation

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Fluoride in well RD-34B at 1 mg/L. Data from future sampling rounds will be used to evaluate potential trends.

⊕ **Gross beta** in well DD-158 at 118 /J pCi/L. The increase may be transitory and attributed to decay of radium and/or uranium isotopes detected in groundwater from these wells. Data from future sampling

“The strontium-90 is astronomical; fifteen times the legal limit.”

Dan Hirsch, Committee to Bridge the Gap

3.24 µg/L (dissolved) and 3.24 µg/L (total); and well DD-159 at 3.27 µg/L (dissolved) at (total).

⊕ **Strontium** in well RD-91 at 843 µg/L (dissolved) and 850 µg/L (total).

Trichloroethene in well DD-157 at 9.96 µg/L (total).

⊕ **Uranium-235/236** in well DD-158 at 0.584 pCi/L; well DS-45 at 0.582 pCi/L; and well F 0.863 pCi/L. Note that there is no SSFL screening criterion for uranium-235/236.

These first-time detections above the relevant screening levels may result from statistical variation from future sampling rounds will be used to evaluate potential trends.

Some analytes were reported at a new maximum concentration and above the associated SSFL criteria in wells with established historical data during 2023:

evaluate potential trends.

⊕ **Radium-226** had new maximum detections in RD-98 (6.45 pCi/L dissolved) and RS-28 (7.17 pCi/L dissolved).

⊕ **Strontium-90** had a new maximum detection in RD-98 (119 pCi/L total).

⊕ **Uranium-235/236** had new maximum detections in PZ-162 (0.468 pCi/L dissolved and 0.656 pCi/L total), RD-07 (0.483 pCi/L total), RD-19 (0.845 pCi/L total), RD-30 (0.7 pCi/L total), RD-34A (0.919 pCi/L total), RD-94 (1.07 pCi/L dissolved), RD-96 (0.551 pCi/L total), and RD-98 (0.546 pCi/L dissolved and 0.454 pCi/L total). There is no screening level for uranium-235/236.

Nitrate in PZ-005 at 14.3 QH/J mg/L. There is no screening criterion for nitrate.

Off-site wells RD-59A and RD-59B were not sampled in Q1 2023 due to dangerous access conditions caused by significant rainfall events across the region.

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Ventura County, California*

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Groundwater: Boeing-DTSC's 2022 Groundwater Covenant

This reverses the state's longstanding position that protecting public health required a complete groundwater cleanup.

- Leaving groundwater untreated for an indeterminate period –Further imperils drinking and agricultural water supplies in Ventura County, where contaminants from the Santa Susana aquifer are already appearing;
- Ignores further migration of contaminated water from the Santa Susana aquifer to other neighboring aquifers
- Would allow Boeing to continue to apply the groundwater onsite for “dust suppression and irrigation” possibly creating a new surface water threat.

“This deal condemns Santa Susana to serve as a perpetual sacrifice zone dedicated to corporate convenience,” stated Pacific PEER Director Jeff Ruch, pointing out that any timelines for cleaning the groundwater have evaporated in the state's latest deal with Boeing. “Bottling up a toxic plume for eternity and then walking away is a deal most polluters would love.”

SSFL WATER

Drinking Water Risks

Michael Rincon
PSR-LA



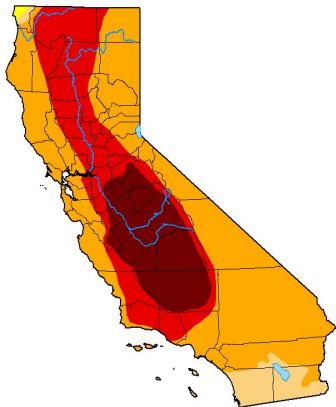


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Drinking Water: State of California

September 27, 2022



Los Angeles Times

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Drought cripples a California coastal paradise:
'We need water. We don't have it'

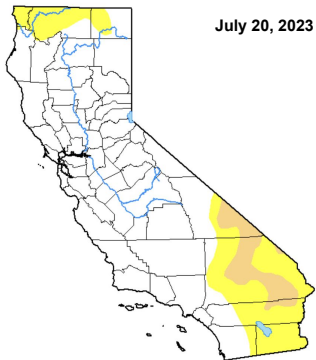
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the Editor: The drought is over?
Tell that to Californians whose wells are dry



In unincorporated Fresno County, many residents rely on bottled water deliveries because their wells have run dry. Above, a water delivery in Sanger, Calif., on Feb. 21. (Gary Coronado / Los Angeles Times)

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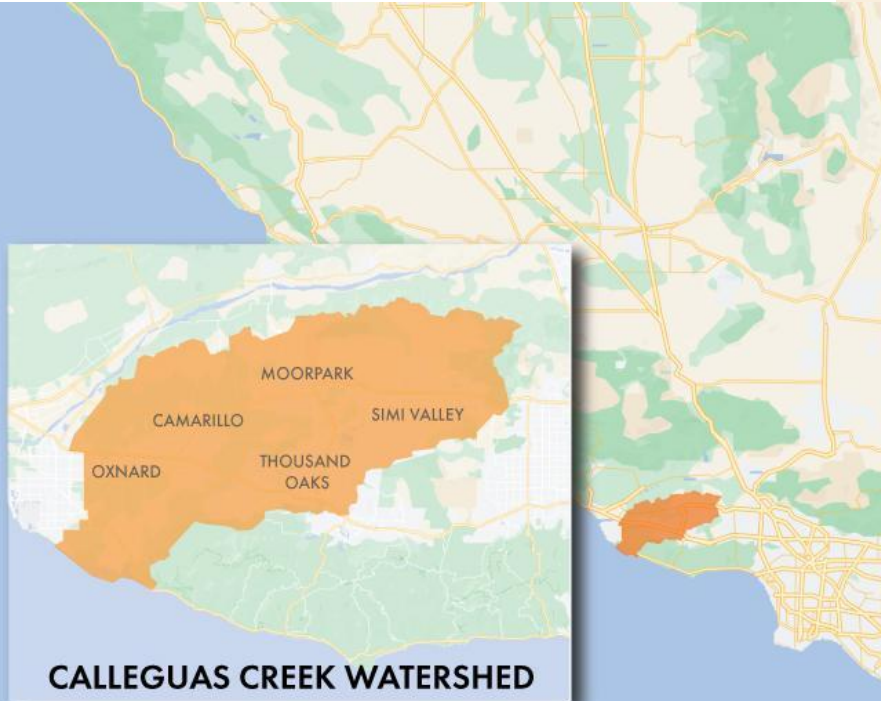
ENVIRONMENT

California lifts target for 15% water conservation as yet another storm approaches

"Even though reservoirs are recovering, groundwater aquifers remain depleted. The Colorado River — a major water source for Southern California — is also facing a massive deficit," Cooley said. "The reality is we don't have water to waste in California. We need to continue investing in water efficiency to prepare for a hotter, drier future and more intense droughts."

Drinking Water: State of California

SSFL sits, unfortunately, in a significant location that can affect local hydrology.



Drinking Water: Chemicals of Concern at SSFL

Contaminants of Concern at SSFL, discharged without limits

Contaminants discharged with limits under NPDES 2022

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Chemical	CAS#	Chemical System	Chemicals Detected in Soil #	Chemicals Detected in Soil Vapor #	Chemicals Detected in Effluent Surface Water #	Chemicals Detected in Effluent Surface Water #	Chemicals Detected in Effluent Sediment #	Chemicals Detected in Effluent Sediment #	Chemicals Detected in Near Surface Groundwater #	Chemicals Detected in Seps/ Springs #
Organic Compounds										
1	Aluminum	7429905	Aluminum, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2	Aluminum, dissolved	7429905-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
3	Ammonia	7440063	Ammonia, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4	Ammonia, dissolved	7440063-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
5	Arsenic	7440082	Arsenic, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
6	Arsenic, dissolved	7440082-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
7	Barium	7440393	Barium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
8	Barium, dissolved	7440393-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
9	Beryllium	7440117	Beryllium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
10	Beryllium, dissolved	7440117-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
11	Boron	7440429	Boron, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
12	Boron, dissolved	7440429-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
13	Cadmium	7440439	Cadmium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
14	Cadmium, dissolved	7440439-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
15	Chromium	7440173	Chromium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
16	Chromium, dissolved	7440173-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
17	Cobalt	7440144	Cobalt, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
18	Cobalt, dissolved	7440144-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
19	Copper	7440059	Copper, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
20	Copper, dissolved	7440059-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
21	Cyanide	57123	Cyanide, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
22	Fluoride	7782414	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
23	Hexavalent Chromium	18540299	Chromium, Hexavalent	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
24	Hexavalent Chromium, dissolved	18540299-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
25	Lead	7440032	Lead, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
26	Lead, dissolved	7440032-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
27	Lithium	7439932	Lithium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
28	Lithium, dissolved	7439932-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
29	Manganese	7439965	Manganese, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
30	Manganese, dissolved	7439965-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
31	Mercury	7439976	Mercury, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
32	Mercury, dissolved	7439976-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
33	Methyl Mercury	2262892	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
34	Molybdenum	7439987	Molybdenum, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
35	Molybdenum, dissolved	7439987-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
36	Nickel	7440069	Nickel, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
37	Nickel, dissolved	7440069-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
38	Phosphorus	7723148	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
39	Phosphorus, dissolved	7723148-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
40	Selenium	7782492	Selenium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
41	Selenium, dissolved	7782492-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
42	Silver	7440383	Silver, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
43	Silver, dissolved	7440383-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
44	Sodium	7440085	Sodium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
45	Sodium, dissolved	7440085-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
46	Thallium	7440280	Thallium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
47	Thallium, dissolved	7440280-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
48	Tin	7440389	Tin, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
49	Tin, dissolved	7440389-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
50	Tungsten	7440359	Tungsten, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
51	Tungsten, dissolved	7440359-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
52	Vanadium	7440153	Vanadium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
53	Vanadium, dissolved	7440153-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
54	Zinc	7440066	Zinc, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
55	Zinc, dissolved	7440066-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
56	Zirconium	7440077	Zirconium, Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
57	Zirconium, dissolved	7440077-01	-		X	X	X	X	X	X
Organic Compounds										
58	1,1-Dinitroethane	51230	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
59	1,2-Diphenylhydrazine	122667	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
60	1,3-Dinitrobenzene	99058	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
61	1,4-Dinitrobenzene	100254	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
62	1,4-Dinitrobenzene	11807	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
63	2,4-Dinitrobenzene	6025294	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
64	2,4-Dinitrobenzene	131112	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
65	2-Amino-6-nitrobenzene	1357792	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
66	2-Nitrobenzene	88722	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
67	2-Nitrobenzene	9984	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
68	4-Amino-2,6-dinitrobenzene	1940610	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
69	4-Nitrobenzene	9909	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
70	DMX	2091419	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
71	Phthalate	20511	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
72	Phthalate	60344	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
73	Nitrophenol	5630	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
74	Phthalate	1479790	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
75	PTN	7815	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
76	GVX	11814	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
77	GVX	11814	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
78	1,1,1-Trichloro-2,2,2-trifluoroethane	61036	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
79	1,1,1-Trichloroethane	71556	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
80	1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	79144	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
81	1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	76333	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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Drinking Water: MCLs and PHGs

Maximum Contamination Limits (MCL)

- Trichloroethylene (TCE) 5 ppb
- Perchlorate 6 ppb
- Lead 15 ppb
- Arsenic 10 ppb
- Gross Alpha Particle Activity 15 pCi/L
- Gross Beta Particle Activity 50 pCi/L
- Strontium-90 8 pCi/L
- Tritium 20,000 pCi/L

California Public Health Goal (PHG)

- Trichloroethylene (TCE) 1.7 ppb
- Perchlorate 1 ppb
- Lead 0.2 ppb
- Arsenic 0.0004 ppb
- Gross Alpha Particle Activity N/A
- Gross Beta Particle Activity N/A
- Strontium-90 0.35 pCi/L
- Tritium 400 pCi/L

PPB is equivalent to 1 drop in 1 billion gallons. Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) is a common unit of measurement for the concentration of radioactivity in a gas. A picocurie per liter corresponds to 0.037 radioactive disintegrations per second in every liter of air.

Drinking Water: Response Levels (RLs)

1. A Response Level is set for all drinking water sources when an MCL has not yet been established for a contaminant.
2. States that if a contaminant exceeds the Response Level then that water source can not be used as a drinking water supply until conditions improve, or the water purveyor can prove it can remove the contaminant to safer levels.

[California State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water “Drinking Water Notification Levels and Response Levels: An Overview” November 2022.](#)

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Drinking Water: EPA, “Contamination Near to Local Drinking Water Supply”

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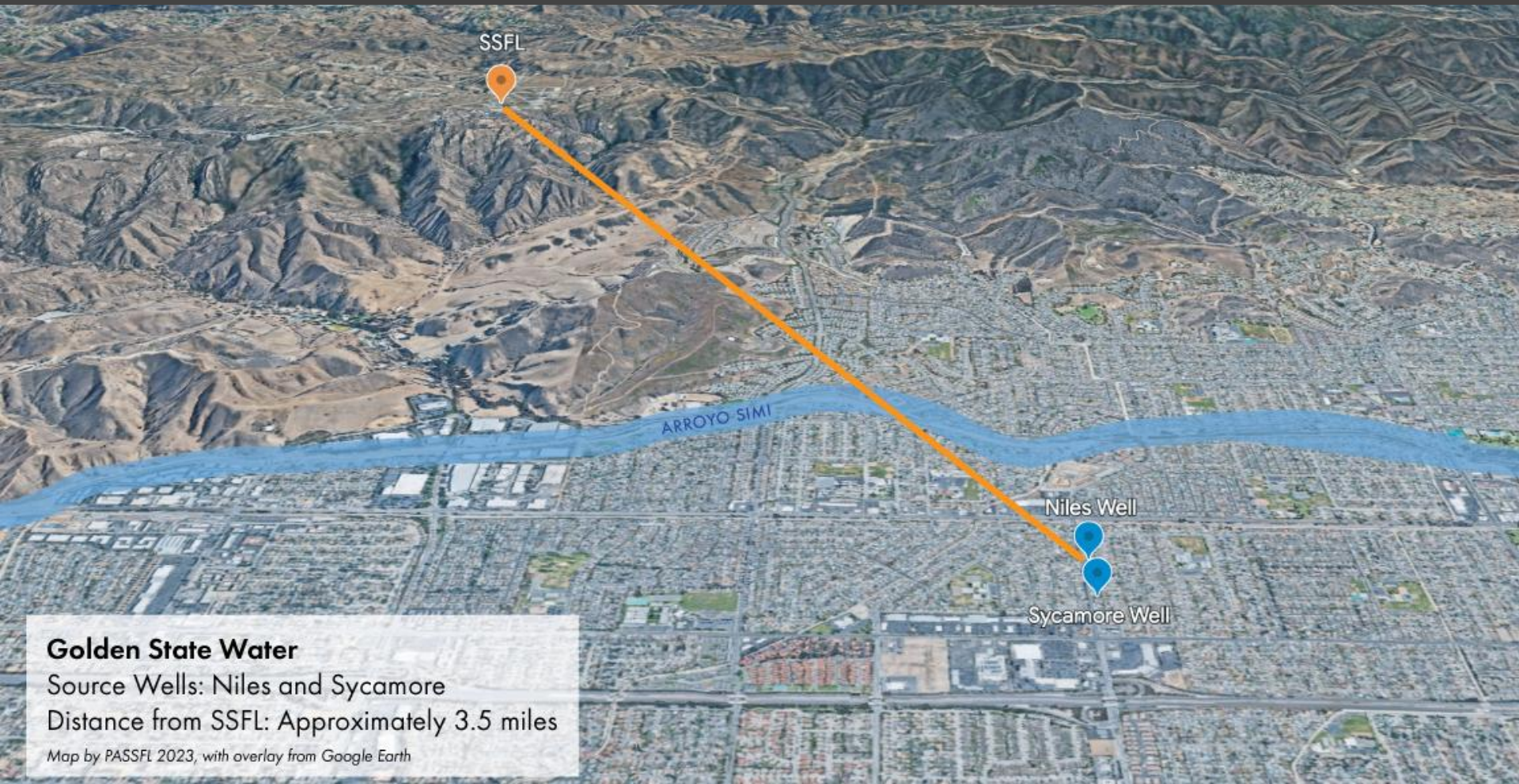
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Golden State Water Company operates two municipal drinking water wells (Niles Well and Sycamore Well) that are located between a 3-4 mile radius to the northwest of the SSFL site. ...Although TCE has not been detected in the Golden State Water Company municipal drinking water supply, the above population may be subjected to potential future contamination from the SSFL site. The aforementioned wells [Golden State Water Niles and Sycamore] are located near areas where perchlorate in groundwater resources has been detected at concentrations of up to about 15 ppb.

California MCL: 6 ppb

California Public Health Goal: 1 ppb

Drinking Water: Golden State Water Source Wells



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Niles Well

Sycamore Well

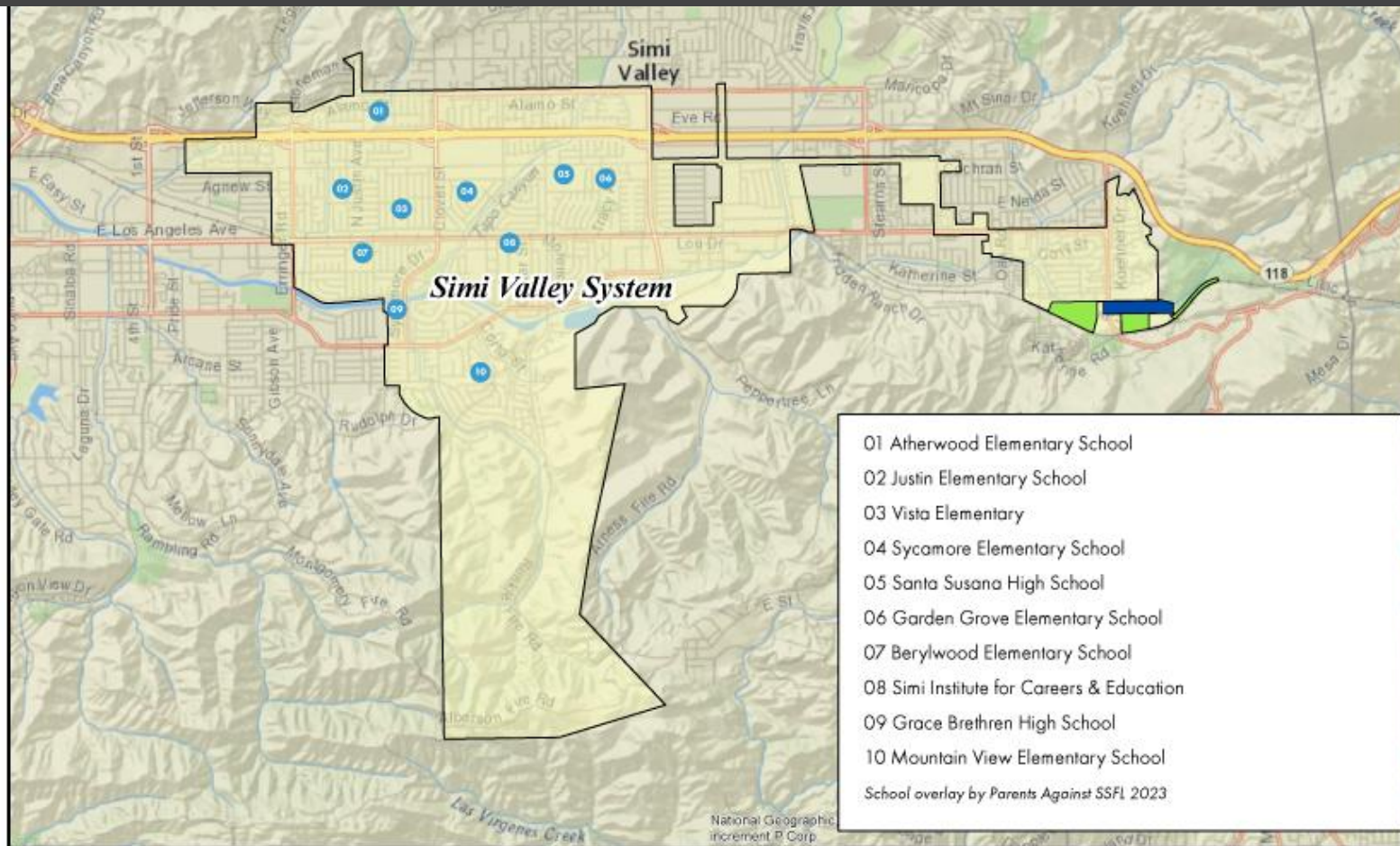
Golden State Water

Source Wells: Niles and Sycamore

Distance from SSFL: Approximately 3.5 miles

Map by PASSFL 2023, with overlay from Google Earth

Drinking Water: Golden State Water Service Area



Drinking Water: GSW Treated Source Water

Source Water Assessment

Golden State Water Company conducted a source water assessment in December 2002 for each groundwater well serving the customers of its Simi Valley System.

The groundwater well sources are considered most vulnerable to one or more of the following possible contaminating activities. Contaminants associated with these activities have not been detected in the water supply: corridors-railroads and freeways/ state highways, gas stations, high density housing, known contaminant plumes (perchlorate), parking lots/malls, photo processing, repair shops, transportation and water supply wells.

The groundwater well sources are also considered most vulnerable to one or more of the following activities, which have been associated with contaminants detected in these groundwater sources: dry cleaners and known contaminant plumes (nitrate, perchloroethylene). The **Untreated Groundwater** table presents contaminants detected in the groundwater sources.

A copy of the assessment may be viewed at:
State Water Board Coastal District Office
1180 Eugenia Place, Suite 200, Carpinteria, CA 93013

You may request a summary of the assessment be sent to -you by contacting:
State Water Board Coastal District Office at 1.805.566.1326
For more details, contact Rocio Flores, Water Quality Engineer, at 1.800.999.4033, or email the Customer Service Center at customerservice@gswater.com.



In December 2002, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) completed a source water assessment of its Colorado River and State Water Project supplies. Colorado River supplies are considered to be most vulnerable to the following: increasing urbanization in the watershed, recreation, urban/ stormwater runoff, and wastewater.

State Water Project supplies are considered to be most vulnerable to the following: agriculture, recreation, urban/ stormwater runoff, wastewater and wildlife.

A copy of the assessment can be obtained by contacting MWD at 1.213.217.6000.

2018 Feasibility Study to Develop the Simi Valley Basin as a Potable Water Resource : Alpha Radioactivity

While typically detected below 15 pCi/L, alpha radioactivity has been occasionally detected in the Simi Valley Basin groundwater at concentrations above the primary MCL.

Drinking Water: Golden State Water is NOT ILLEGAL... but is it safe?

http://www.gswater.com/download/Perchlorate-table-2015_2017-rev12212017.pdf

Water System	Perchlorate Levels Detected in Treated Drinking Water 2015-2017
Apple Valley South	Non-detect
Apple Valley North	Non-detect
Arden	Non-detect
Artesia	Non-detect
Barstow	Non-detect
Bay Point	Non-detect
Bell-Bell Gardens	Non-detect
Claremont	Non-detect
Clearlake	Non-detect
Cordova	Non-detect
Cowan Heights	Non-detect
Cypress Ridge	Non-detect
Desert View	Non-detect
Edna Road	Non-detect
Florence-Graham	Non-detect to 4.4 ppb
Hollydale	Non-detect
Lake Marie	Non-detect
Los Osos	Non-detect
Lucerne	Non-detect
Morongo Del Norte	Non-detect
Morongo Del Sur	Non-detect
Nipomo	Non-detect
Norwalk	Non-detect
Orcutt	Non-detect
Placentia	Non-detect
San Dimas	Non-detect
Simi Valley	Non-detect to 4.6 ppb
Sisquoc	Non-detect
South Arcadia	Non-detect

Golden State Water uses a drinking water blend; mixing 10%-67% well water with imported water to stay within the legal Maximum Contamination Limits (MCL).

California MCL perchlorate: 6 ppb

California Public Health Goal perchlorate: 1 ppb

Simi Valley Division of Drinking Water Presentation by Jeff Densmore on 7-11-2019 admitted that Golden State Water may use up to 67% groundwater at times

Drinking Water: GSW Untreated Groundwater

Summary of slide here

Simi Valley Water System – Untreated Groundwater						
Primary Standards – Health Based (units)	Primary MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Range of Detection	Average Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent
Inorganic Constituents						
Arsenic (µg/L)	10	0.004	ND - 2.2	ND	2021	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; glass and electronics production wastes
Fluoride (mg/L)	2	1	0.5 - 0.6	0.6	2021	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive that promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nitrate [as N] (mg/L)	10	10	11 - 17	13	2022	Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks and sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Perchlorate (µg/L)	6	1	ND - 5.6	ND	2022	Perchlorate is an inorganic chemical used in solid rocket propellant, fireworks, explosives, flares, matches, and a variety of industries. It usually gets into drinking water as a result of environmental contamination from historic aerospace or other industrial operations that used or use, store, or dispose of perchlorate and its salts.
Selenium (µg/L)	50	30	30 - 57	41	2022	Discharge from petroleum, glass, and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines and chemical manufacturers; runoff from livestock lots (feed additive)
Volatile Organic Constituents						
Tetrachloroethylene [PCE] (µg/L)	5	0.06	ND - 1	ND	2022	Discharge from factories, dry cleaners, and auto shops (metal degreaser)
Radioactive Constituents						
Gross Alpha Activity (pCi/L)	15(a)	(0)	11 - 14	12	2020	Erosion of natural deposits
Uranium (pCi/L)	20	0.43	14 - 17	16	2020	Erosion of natural deposits
Secondary Standards – Aesthetic (units)	Secondary MCL	PHG (MCLG)	Range of Detection	Average Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent
Chloride (mg/L)	500	n/a	140 - 160	150	2021	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; seawater influence
Foaming Agents [MBAS] (µg/L)	500	n/a	ND - 100	50	2021	Municipal and industrial waste discharges
Specific Conductance (µS/cm)	1600	n/a	55 - 1900	980	2022	Substances that form ions when in water; seawater influence
Sulfate (mg/L)	500	n/a	630 - 960	790	2022	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Total Dissolved Solids (mg/L)	1000	n/a	1500 - 2100	1700	2022	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
Turbidity (units)	5	n/a	0.4 - 3.3	1.9	2021	Soil runoff
Other Parameters (units)	Notification Level	PHG (MCLG)	Range of Detection	Average Level	Most Recent Sampling Date	Typical Source of Constituent
Alkalinity (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	250 - 270	260	2021	
Calcium (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	220 - 250	240	2021	
Hardness [as CaCO ₃] (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	840 - 990	920	2021	The sum of polyvalent cations present in the water, generally magnesium and calcium; the cations are usually naturally occurring
Hardness [as CaCO ₃] (grains/gal)	n/a	n/a	49 - 58	54	2021	
Magnesium (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	72 - 89	80	2021	
pH (pH units)	n/a	n/a	7.5 - 7.7	7.6	2021	
Potassium (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	3.3 - 6.0	4.6	2021	
Sodium (mg/L)	n/a	n/a	140 - 180	160	2021	Refers to the salt present in the water and is generally naturally occurring

(a) MCL is based on Gross Alpha minus Uranium. ND = Not Detected CaCO₃ = Calcium Carbonate
This table includes data only of constituents that were detected in raw water. This data is not representative of the water received by customers. The water is blended prior to entering the distribution system.

Drinking Water: Golden State Water is NOT ILLEGAL... but is it safe?

The State assumes GSW doesn't have to test for some contaminants because they don't change frequently... the 2023

Groundwater Report shows there can be fluctuations and infrequent sampling may not be protective.

Laboratory Analyses

Through the years, we have taken thousands of water samples to determine the presence of any radioactive, biological, inorganic, volatile organic, or synthetic organic contaminants in your drinking water. The table we provide shows only detected contaminants in the water.

Even though all the substances listed here are under the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL), we feel it is important that you know exactly what was detected and how much of these substances were present in your water. Compliance (unless otherwise noted) is based on the average level of concentration below the MCL. The state allows us to monitor for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations do not change frequently. Some of our data, while representative, is more than a year old.

While it may be “legal”, the practice still begs the question...

Is it safe enough?



What we don't know:

- What contaminants of concern are they NOT testing for
- How much water from the wells are they using for their sampling data of the blended drinking water? 10%? 20%? 40%? 67%?
- What is the sampling data on contaminants when they are using 67%?
- Since GSW is blending well water with imported water, why aren't they blending enough to reach the more protective Public Health Goals?
- Public Health Goals and Maximum Contamination Limits for many of the Chemicals of concern haven't been established yet.



Protecting Ourselves

- Alternative drinking water sources
- In home reverse osmosis system;
 - Covers most, but not all contaminants (Tritium)
 - Is more than many local families can afford
- Don't test your water
 - Expensive
 - Not reliable
- Contact your representatives and let them know you want the full SSFL clean up so that your community isn't at risk of exposure to SSFL contaminants for the rest of their lives



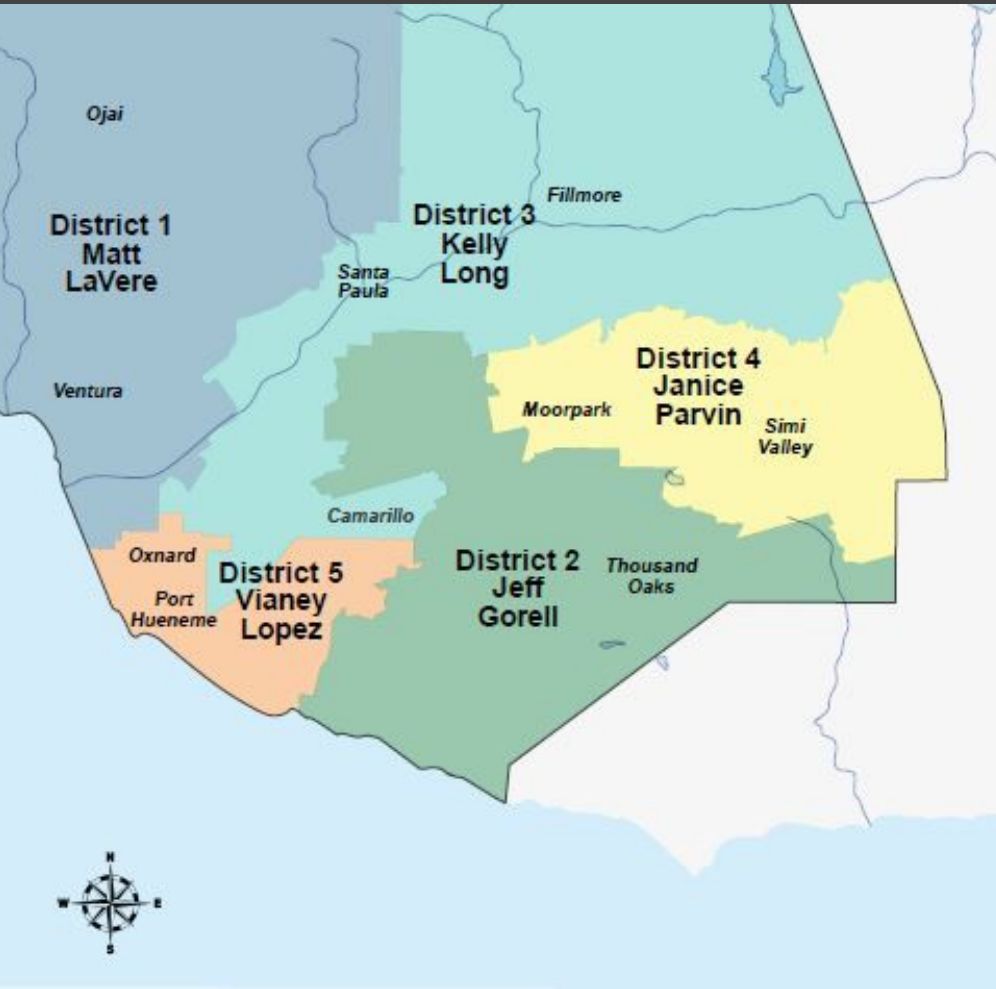
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Potential Message for elected officials:

“I am concerned about the Department of Toxic Substances Control’s recent SSFL Environmental Impact Report and how it will result in the leaving of over 90% of the soil contamination on site. I support the full clean up of the Santa Susana Field Lab as outlined in the 2010 and 2007 cleanup agreements.”

Next Steps: Stay in touch



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