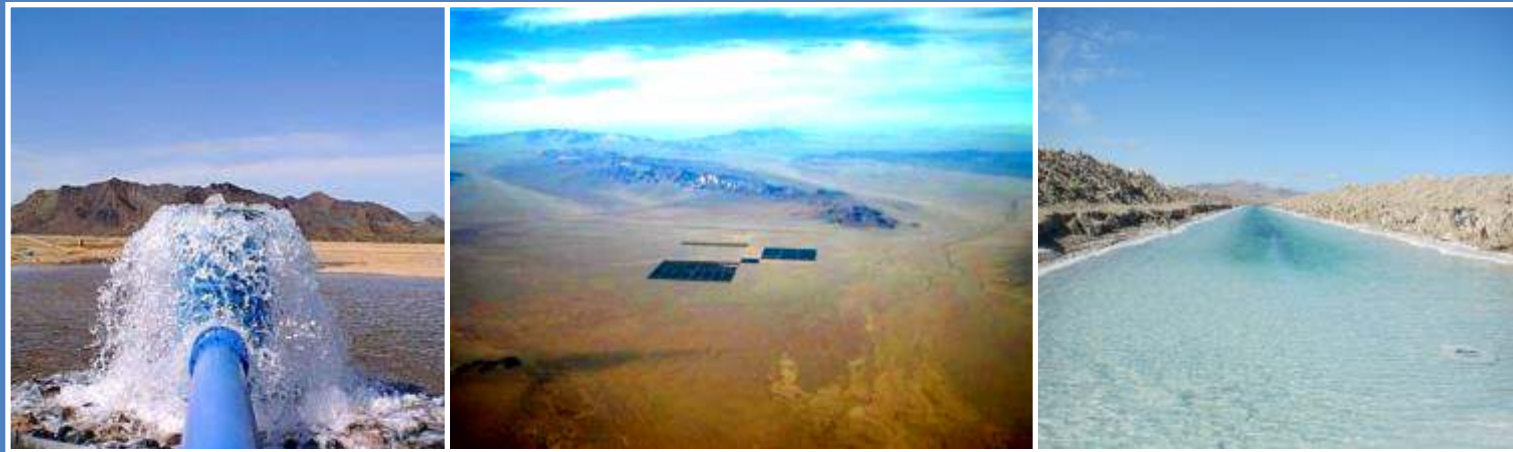


The Cadiz Valley Water Conservation, Recovery & Storage Project



U.S. Conference of Mayors Water Council Meeting
Scott Slater, April 13, 2017

Project Location

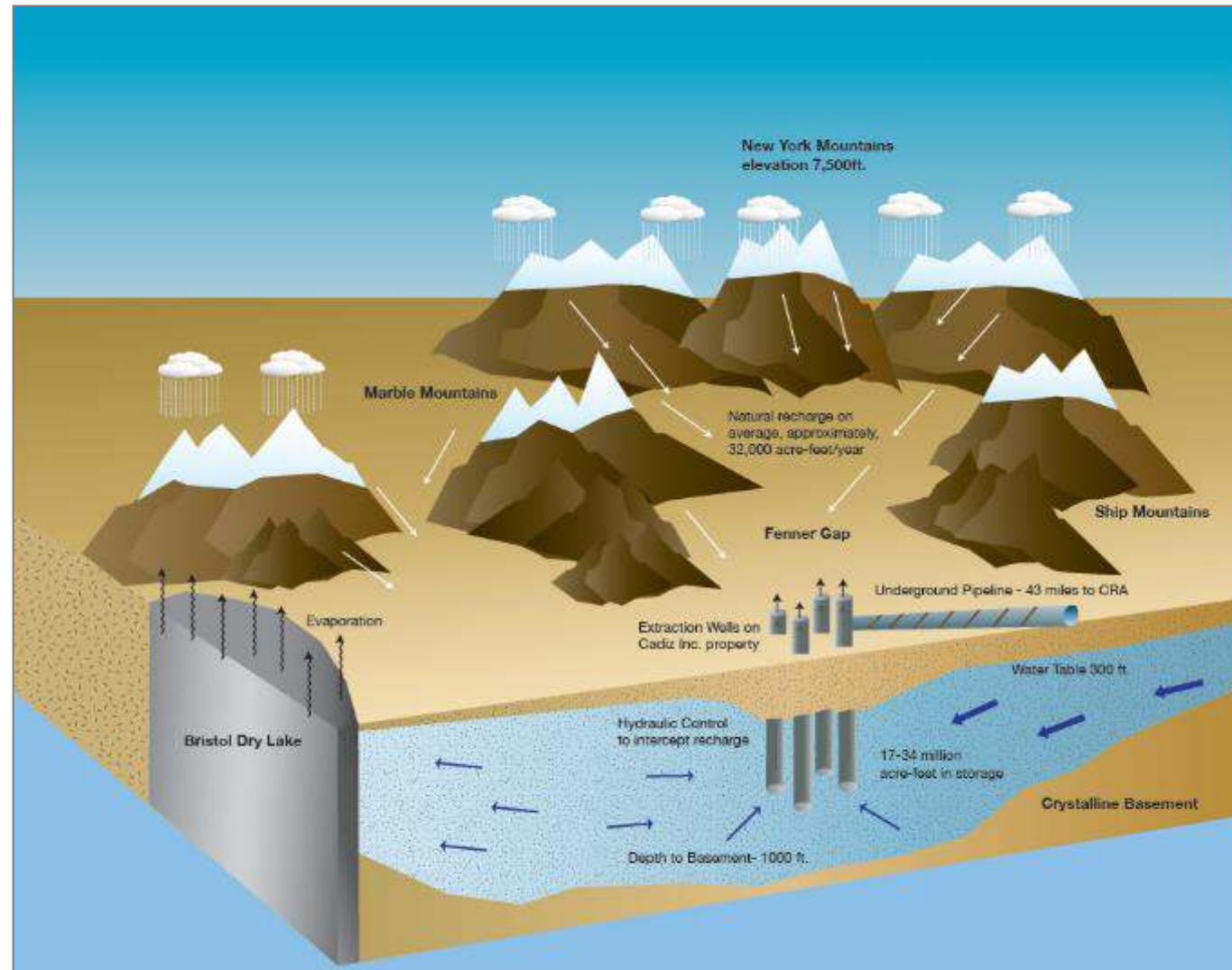
- * Cadiz Inc. – Public Company, w/ 45,000 acres of land assets and water rights.
- * Cadiz Valley: 35,000 acres at base of 1,300 sq mile watershed.
 - * Active Farming on site since 1980s.
 - * Significant groundwater resource lost to evaporation annually at dry lakes.
- * 10,000 acres in other parts of Desert, including 7,500 Desert Tortoise Conservation Bank in



Project Purpose: Conserve, Recover & Store

Goal: Put fresh water that would otherwise evaporate to beneficial use.

- * Expand wellfield on Cadiz Inc. ag property.
- * Capture and conserve average of 50,000 AF/Y for 50 years.
- * Create new supply for 400,000 throughout So Cal.
- * Carry-over storage capacity in wet years.
- * No environmental impacts.



Cadiz Water Project Metrics

- * **Reviewed, Approved & Upheld.** Full CEQA process over 5 years – no impacts. No harm.
- * **No Public Funding.** None. Zero. Nada.
- * **New Supply:** Reliable 50,000 AFY supply – Supporting more than 400,000 residents in Southern California annually.
- * **Groundwater Storage:** in-lieu, and imported water in Phase 2. Capacity 1MAF.
- * **Jobs:** 5,900 jobs. 50% from San Bernardino County, 10% for vets.
- * **Economic Boost:** \$878 million construction stimulus: 80% local products; \$6 billion in benefits for regional rate payers over 50 years.



Final Steps to Project Delivery

☀ BLM

- ☀ 43-mile pipeline to be constructed within active railroad ROW from Cadiz to CRA.
- ☀ BLM letter in Oct. 2015 reverses 2009 DOI position and requires new BLM permit.
- ☀ 2017 brings new Administration & Congress activities:
 - ☀ Congressional request for BLM to reconsider Oct. 2015 guidance letter.
 - ☀ House appropriations bill language to ensure future co-location of utilities within railroad ROWs, including Cadiz.
 - ☀ March 2017 – BLM pulls underlying RR ROW policy.



☀ Final Contracts

- ☀ Participating agencies finalize contracts and transportation arrangements to deliver water in Metropolitan So. Cal. service area.

Strong Bi-Partisan Project Support

- **U.S. Representatives:** Ken Calvert, Tony Cardenas, Paul Cook, Jim Costa, Duncan Hunter, Darrell Issa, Doug LaMalfa, Tom McClintock, Scott Peters, Colin Peterson, Dana Rohrabacher, Ed Royce, Linda Sanchez, Loretta Sanchez, Norma Torres, Mimi Walters
- **CA Legislators:** Pat Bates, Bill Brough, Ian Calderon, Matt Dababneh, Tom Daly, Cathleen Galgiani, Eduardo Garcia, Diane Harkey, Eric Linder, Chad Mayes, Janet Nguyen, former Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger
- **Building Industry:** BIA/Southern California, BIA/San Diego, Construction Industry Coalition on Water Quality, Engineering Contractors Association
- **Regional Business Organizations & Chambers:** BizFed, CalChamber, Inland Empire Economic Partnership, Morongo Basin Economic Development Consortium, Orange County Business Council, South Bay Association of Chambers, South OC Economic Coalition, San Gabriel Valley Econ. Partnership, San Gabriel Valley Chamber Leg. Alliance.
- **Ag & Labor:** Southern California District Council of Laborers, Laborers International Union of North America-Local 783, San Bernardino County Farm Bureau



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