PRESS RELEASE

FIVE-CITIES AREA TEMPORARY CONVERSION OF DRINKING WATER DISINFECTANT – 
October 29, 2015 – Between October 30, 2015 and November 23, 2015, the County of San 
Luis Obispo Public Works Department will temporarily change the disinfection process in the 
Lopez Project drinking water distribution system from the blended chlorine treatment that is 
typically applied, to a free chlorine treatment. Free chlorine is a stronger disinfection process 
than blended chlorine and is part of an annual switchover of disinfectants to help ensure water 
mains remain free of potentially harmful bacteria. This practice is considered a "Best 
Management Practice" in the water industry.

Because the County provides water to the City of Arroyo Grande, City of Pismo Beach, City of 
Grover Beach, Oceano Community Services District, Avila Beach Community Services District, 
and Port San Luis, these water systems may also convert their water disinfection process to 
free chlorine.

Customers with questions or concerns about their drinking water are urged to contact their 
local water supplier.

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