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**To:** MCCSD Board of Directors  
**From:** District Superintendent  
**cc:** Seph Petta  
**Date:** August 27, 2026  
**Re:** Groundwater Management Report

### The 2025-26 Rain Year

October 1, 2025, was the beginning of the 2025-26 rain year. Average annual precipitation in Mendocino is 39.41 inches, and average rainfall in August is 0.20" inches. 0.12" inches of rainfall have been measured in the District for August, as of August 26, 2026 (Figure 1, Table 1).

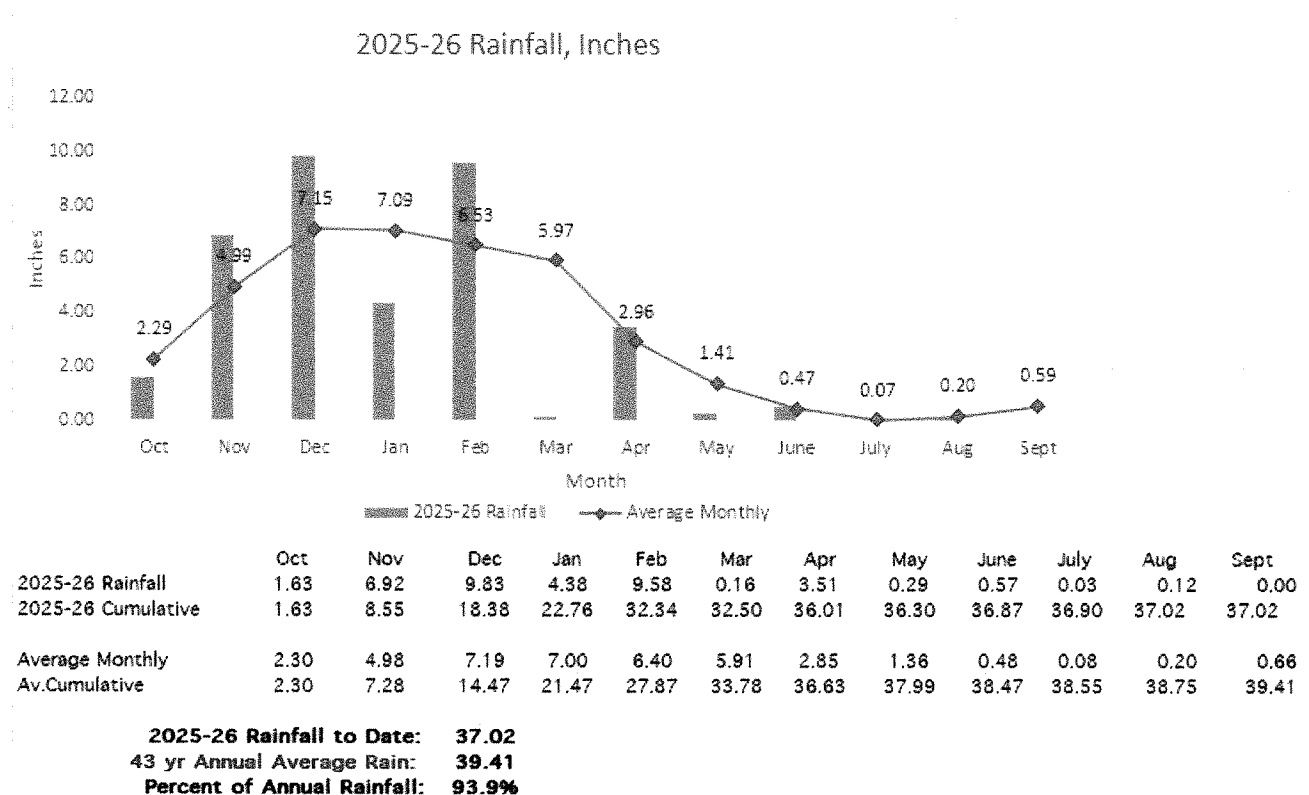


Figure 1, Table 1

Total Rainfall for Rain Year 2024-25 was 43.18" inches. Mendocino received 110% of normal annual rainfall during the last water year. By August 26, 2026, total rainfall since October 1, 2025, was 37.02 inches, 94% of average annual rainfall.

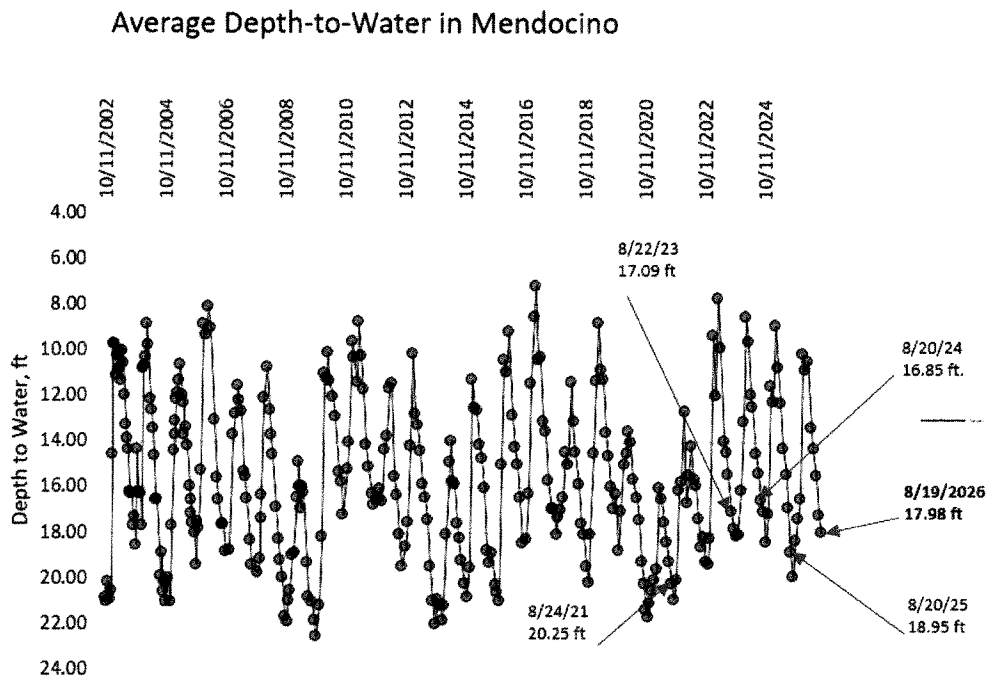
| DAILY TOTAL RAINFALL                  |      |      |      |      |      |      |                           |      |                     |      |      |                   |
|---------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|---------------------------|------|---------------------|------|------|-------------------|
| 2025-26                               |      |      |      |      |      |      |                           |      |                     |      |      | Elevation 72 Feet |
|                                       |      |      |      |      |      |      |                           |      |                     |      |      | Latitude 39.306°  |
| Data From: Community Service District |      |      |      |      |      |      |                           | 10AM | Longitude -123.600° |      |      |                   |
| Day                                   | Oct  | Nov  | Dec  | Jan  | Feb  | Mar  | Apr                       | May  | Jun                 | Jul  | Aug  | Sep               |
| 1                                     | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.26 | 0.01 |      | 0.35                      |      |                     |      |      |                   |
| 2                                     |      |      |      | 1.44 |      | 0.02 |                           |      | 0.01                |      |      |                   |
| 3                                     |      | 1.39 |      | 0.58 | 0.01 | 0.03 |                           |      |                     |      |      |                   |
| 4                                     |      | 0.70 |      | 1.71 |      |      |                           | 0.05 |                     |      | 0.03 |                   |
| 5                                     | 0.01 | 0.15 |      | 0.15 |      |      | 0.01                      |      |                     | 0.01 | 0.01 |                   |
| 6                                     |      | 0.56 |      |      |      |      |                           |      |                     |      |      |                   |
| 7                                     |      |      | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.39 | 0.01 |                           |      |                     |      |      |                   |
| 8                                     |      |      | 0.01 |      | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.03                      | 0.01 | 0.46                |      |      |                   |
| 9                                     |      |      | 0.01 | 0.01 |      |      | 0.15                      |      |                     |      |      |                   |
| 10                                    | 0.25 |      | 0.02 |      | 0.44 |      | 0.14                      | 0.01 |                     |      |      |                   |
| 11                                    |      |      | 0.01 | 0.01 |      |      | 1.16                      |      |                     |      | 0.01 |                   |
| 12                                    | 0.14 | 1.36 | 0.01 | 0.01 |      | 0.01 | 0.01                      |      |                     |      |      |                   |
| 13                                    | 0.45 | 0.46 |      | 0.01 |      | 0.01 |                           |      |                     |      | 0.02 |                   |
| 14                                    |      |      |      | 0.01 | 1.43 |      |                           |      | 0.03                |      |      |                   |
| 15                                    | 0.01 | 0.24 | 0.13 |      | 2.44 | 0.02 | 0.02                      |      |                     |      |      |                   |
| 16                                    | 0.01 | 2.02 | 0.85 | 0.01 | 0.20 |      |                           |      | 0.02                |      |      |                   |
| 17                                    |      | 0.02 | 0.01 |      | 0.54 | 0.01 |                           |      | 0.04                |      | 0.02 |                   |
| 18                                    |      |      | 0.41 | 0.01 | 0.82 | 0.01 |                           |      | 0.01                |      |      |                   |
| 19                                    |      |      | 1.10 | 0.02 | 0.05 |      | 0.62                      |      |                     |      | 0.02 |                   |
| 20                                    | 0.01 |      | 2.27 |      |      |      | 0.8                       |      |                     | 0.02 |      |                   |
| 21                                    |      |      | 0.83 |      | 0.08 |      | 0.21                      | 0.01 |                     |      |      |                   |
| 22                                    |      |      | 0.25 |      | 0.02 |      |                           |      |                     |      |      |                   |
| 23                                    | 0.02 |      | 0.78 |      | 1.38 |      |                           | 0.05 |                     |      |      |                   |
| 24                                    | 0.24 |      | 0.56 |      | 1.76 |      |                           | 0.01 |                     |      | 0.01 |                   |
| 25                                    | 0.40 |      | 0.89 |      |      |      |                           | 0.06 |                     |      |      |                   |
| 26                                    | 0.08 |      | 0.63 |      |      |      |                           |      |                     |      |      |                   |
| 27                                    |      |      |      |      |      |      |                           | 0.03 |                     |      |      |                   |
| 28                                    |      |      |      |      |      |      | 0.01                      | 0.06 |                     |      |      |                   |
| 29                                    |      |      | 0.01 |      |      | 0.01 |                           |      |                     |      |      |                   |
| 30                                    |      |      |      |      |      |      |                           |      |                     |      |      |                   |
| 31                                    |      |      | 0.99 |      |      | 0.02 |                           |      |                     |      |      |                   |
| Sum                                   | 1.63 | 6.92 | 9.83 | 4.38 | 9.58 | 0.16 | 3.51                      | 0.29 | 0.57                | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.00              |
| Count                                 | 12   | 10   | 21   | 14   | 15   | 11   | 12                        | 9    | 6                   | 2    | 7    | 0                 |
| Max                                   | 0.45 | 2.02 | 2.27 | 1.71 | 2.44 | 0.03 | 1.16                      | 0.06 | 0.46                | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.00              |
| Rainy Days                            |      | 119  |      |      |      |      | Water year Total Rainfall |      |                     |      |      | 37.02             |
| Maximum Daily Rainfall                |      |      |      | 2.44 |      |      |                           |      |                     |      |      |                   |

Table 1 2025-26 Rainfall Record

### August 2026 Depth-to-Water (DTW)

The average DTW measurements District-wide in the 24 monitoring wells on August 19, 2026, was 17.98 ft. DTW averages are about 0.74 ft. lower than July of 2026. The DTW averages in the five drought monitoring wells reported an average of 20.73 ft., which is 1.39 ft lower than July of 2026. DTW averages are about one (1) foot better than August 2025, and 2.25 ft better than a drought year like August 2021.

Figure 2 Average Depth-To-Water Chart



Following the Water Shortage Contingency Plan, May 31, 2026, was the most recent water shortage evaluation date. Rainfall totals at that time were (36.3") 96% of average for the rain year to date, indicating there is no water shortage within the District currently. January 31, 2027, is the next water shortage evaluation date.

#### Groundwater Management Notification for the Month:

- 1-Overage notification letter was mailed out for the month.
- 20-Violation 1 letters for failure to report a water meter reading
- 1-Violation 2 letters for failure to report a water meter reading for two consecutive months
- 0-Violation 3 letters for failure to report a water meter reading for three consecutive months