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To: MCCSD Board of Directors
From: District Superintendent
cc: Seph Petta
Date: September 25, 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 September is 0.66" inches. 0.79" inches of rainfall have been measured in the District for August, as of September 25, 2026 (Figure 1, Table 1).

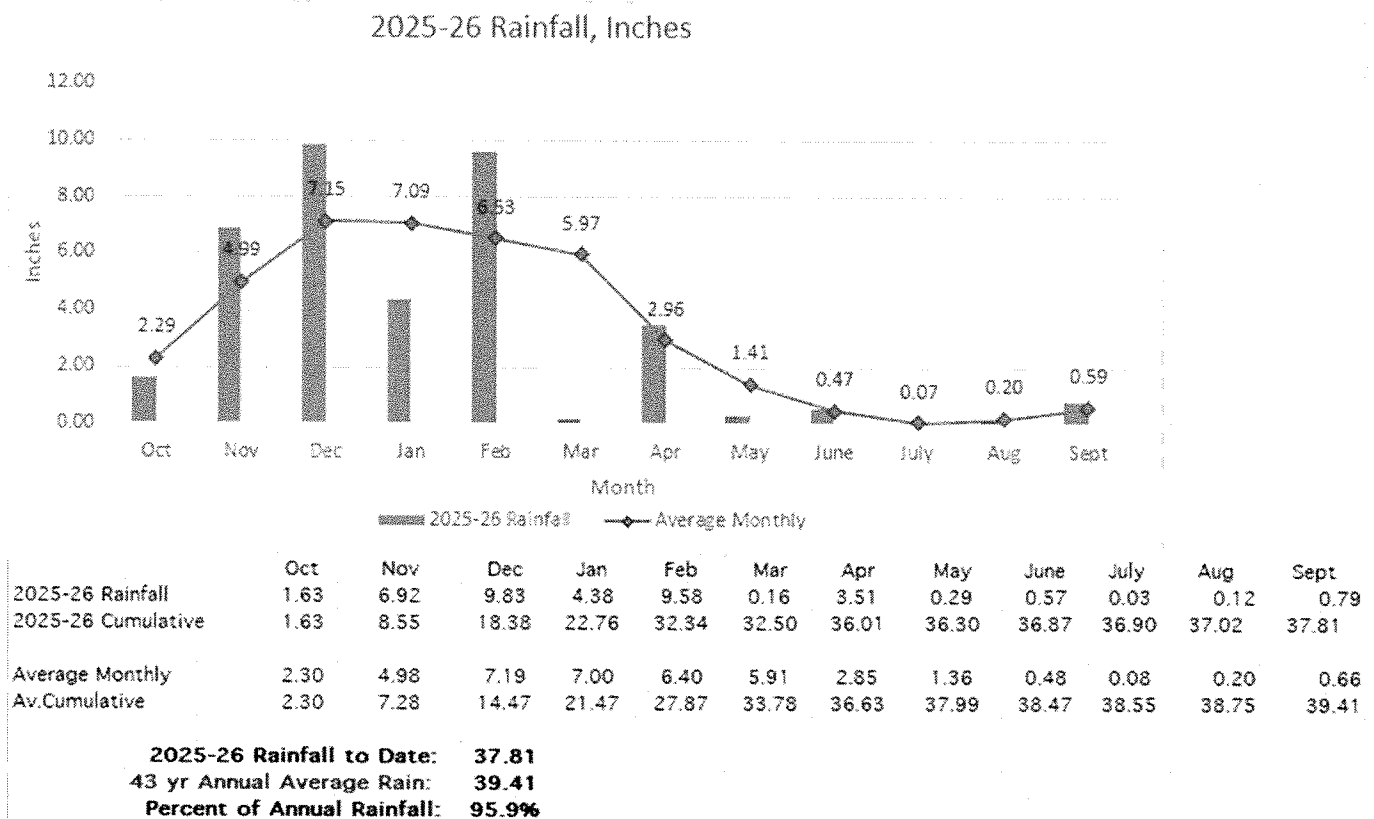


Figure 1, Table 1

Total Rainfall for Rain Year 2024-25 was 43.18" inches. Mendocino received 110% of normal annual rainfall during the last water year. By September 25, 2026, total rainfall since October 1, 2025, was 37.81 inches, 96% of average annual rainfall.

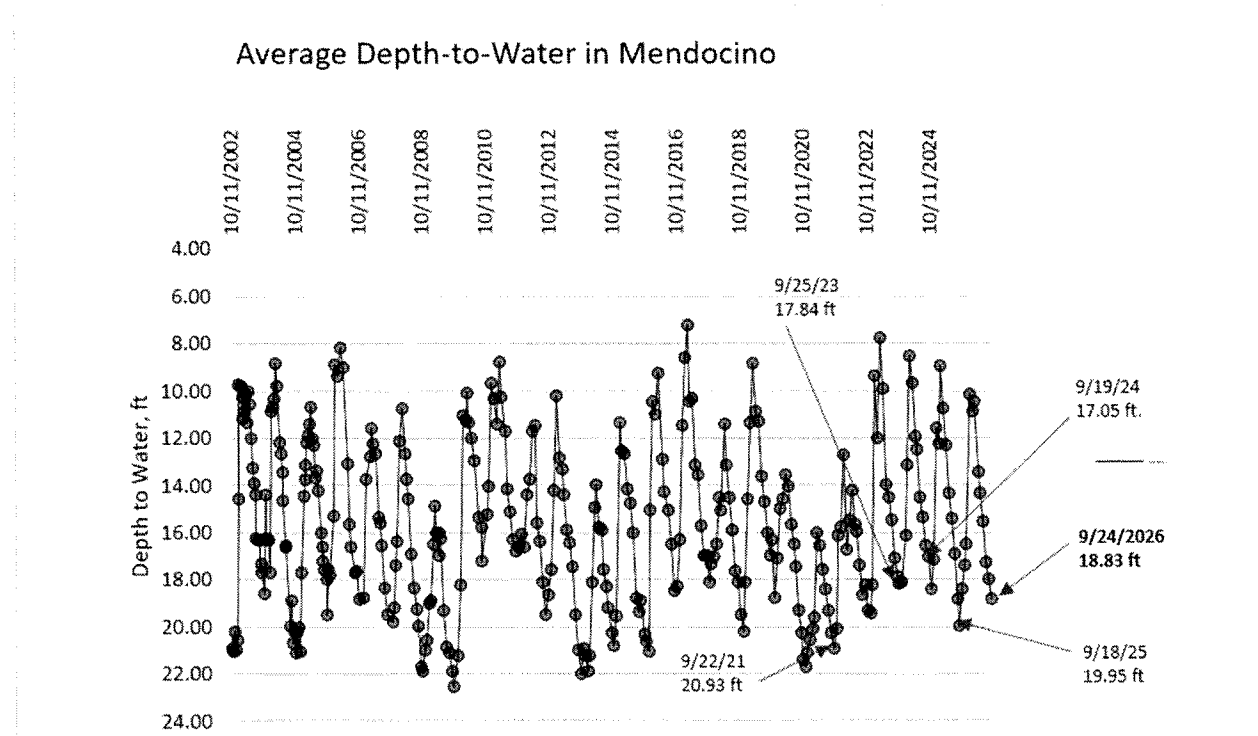
				DAILY TOTAL RAINFALL								
	2025-26										Elevation 72 Feet	
											Latitude 39.306°	
	Data From: Community Service District						10AM				Longitude -123.800°	
Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.01	0.02	0.04	0.26	0.01		0.35					0.22
2				1.44		0.02			0.01			0.5
3		1.39		0.58	0.01	0.03						0.01
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				0.02
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	0.04
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	0.79
Count	12	10	21	14	15	11	12	9	6	2	7	5
Max	0.45	2.02	2.27	1.71	2.44	0.03	1.16	0.06	0.46	0.02	0.03	0.50
Rainy Days		124					Water year Total Rainfall					37.81

Table 1 2025-26 Rainfall Record

September 2026 Depth-to-Water (DTW)

The average DTW measurements District-wide in the 24 monitoring wells on September 24, 2026, was 18.83 ft. DTW averages are about 0.85 ft. lower than August of 2026. The DTW averages in the five drought monitoring wells reported an average of 21.99 ft., which is 1.26 ft lower than August of 2026. DTW averages are about one (1) foot better than September 2025, and 2.1 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:

3-Overage notification letter was mailed out for the month.

5-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