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To: MCCSD Board of Directors
From: District Superintendent
cc: Seph Petta
Date: May 22, 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 May is 1.36" inches. 0.08 inches of rainfall have been measured in the District for May, as of May 21, 2026 (Figure 1, Table 1).

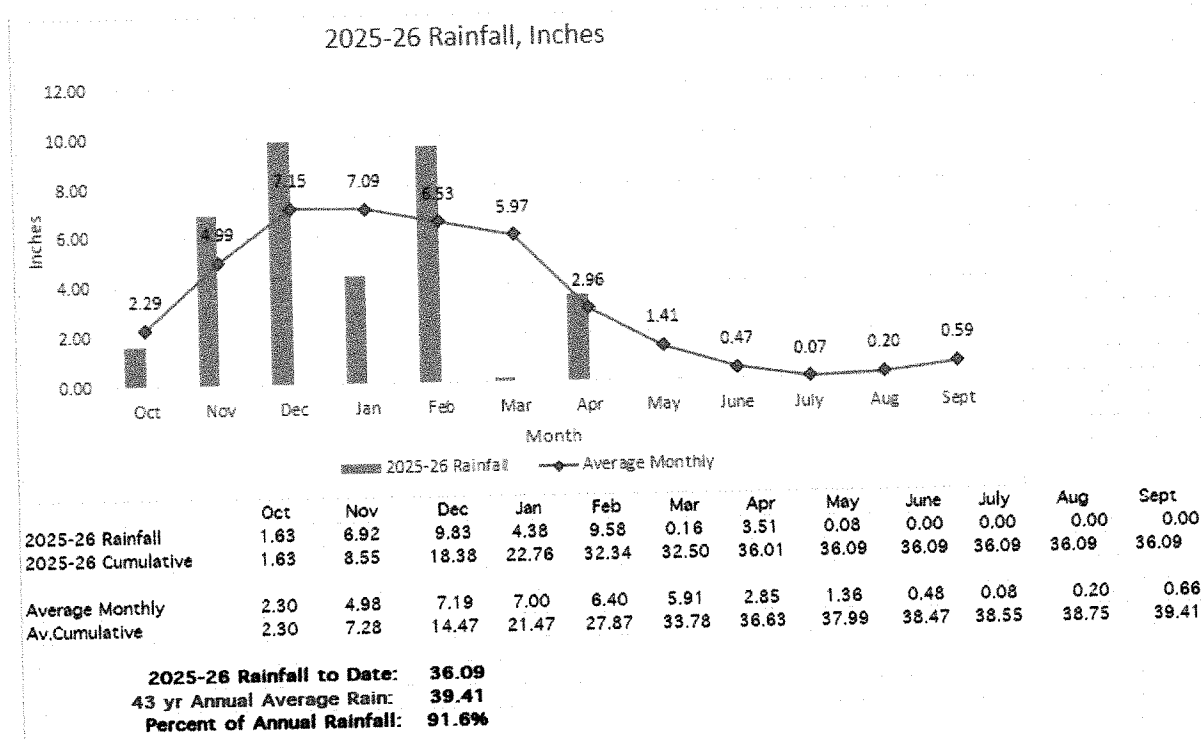


Figure 1, Table 1

Total Rainfall for Rain Year 2024-25 was 43.18" inches. Mendocino received 110% of normal annual rainfall during the last water year. By May 22, 2026, total rainfall since October 1, 2025, was 36.09 inches, 92% of average annual rainfall.

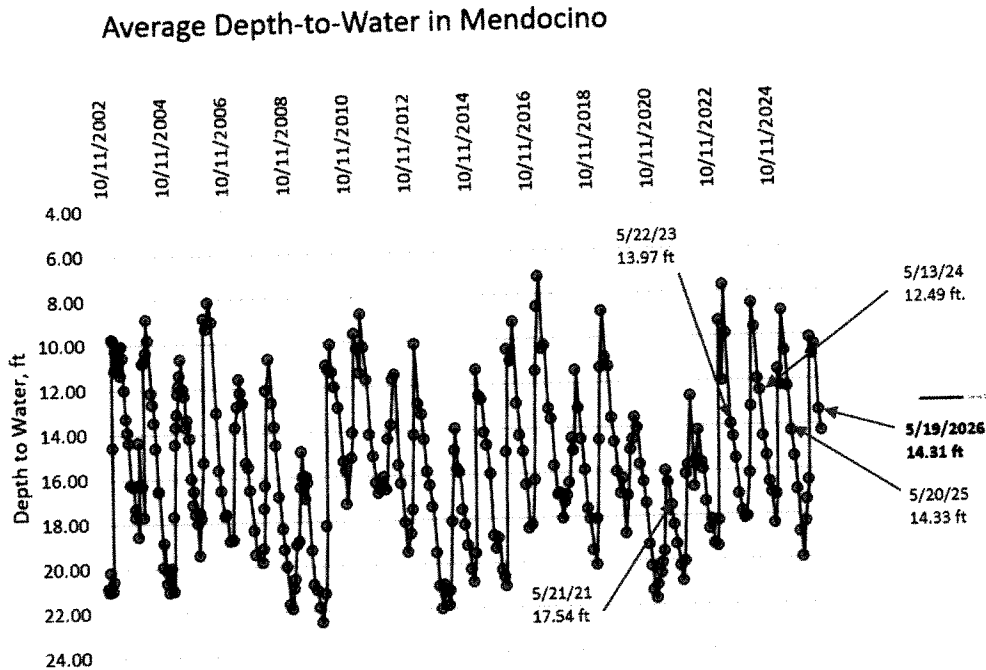
DAILY TOTAL RAINFALL												
2025-26											Elevation 72 Feet	
											Latitude 39.306°	
Data From: Community Service District											Longitude -123.000°	
Day	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	0.01	0.02	0.04	0.26	0.01		0.35					
2				1.44		0.02						
3		1.39		0.58	0.01	0.03						
4		0.70		1.71				0.05				
5	0.01	0.15		0.15			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				
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					
12	0.14	1.36	0.01	0.01		0.01	0.01					
13	0.45	0.46		0.01		0.01						
14				0.01	1.43							
15	0.01	0.24	0.13		2.44	0.02	0.02					
16	0.01	2.02	0.95	0.01	0.20							
17		0.02	0.01		0.54	0.01						
18			0.41	0.01	0.82	0.01						
19			1.10	0.02	0.05		0.62					
20	0.01		2.27				0.8					
21			0.83		0.08		0.21	0.01				
22			0.25		0.02							
23	0.02		0.78		1.38							
24	0.24		0.56		1.76							
25	0.40		0.89									
26	0.08		0.63									
27												
28							0.01					
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	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Count	12	10	21	14	15	11	12	4	0	0	0	0
Max	0.45	2.02	2.27	1.71	2.44	0.03	1.16	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rainy Days		99					Water year Total Rainfall					36.09
Maximum Daily Rainfall				2.44								

Table 1 2025-26 Rainfall Record

May 2026 Depth-to-Water (DTW)

The average DTW measurements District-wide in the 24 monitoring wells on May 19, 2026, was 14.31 ft. DTW averages are about 0.9 ft. lower than April of 2026. The DTW averages in the five drought monitoring wells reported an average of 16.65 ft., which is 1.2 ft lower than April of 2026. DTW averages are about the same as May 2025, and 3.23 ft better than a drought year like May 2021.

Figure 2 Average Depth-To-Water Chart



Following the Water Shortage Contingency Plan, March 31, 2026, was the most recent water shortage evaluation date. Rainfall totals at that time were (32.5") 96% of average for the rain year to date, indicating there is no water shortage within the District currently. May 31, 2026, is the next water shortage evaluation date.

Groundwater Management Notification for the Month:

- 5-Overage notification letters were mailed out for the month. Almost all were related to a leak.
- 11-Violation 1 letters for failure to report a water meter reading
- 4-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