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David D. Boyer

MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, March 12, 2025, 12:00 p.m.
Board Room, UWCD Headquarters
1701 N. Lombard Street, Oxnard CA 93030

ROLL CALL

Present: Directors Ford, Hasan, Huber, Jones, Maulhardt, Keeling, and Kimball

Absent: None

1. **FIRST OPEN SESSION:** 12:00 p.m.
Items to be discussed in Executive (Closed) Session will be announced.
 - 1.1 **Public Comments:** None
 - 1.2 **Executive (Closed) Session:** 12:02 p.m.
The Board will discuss matters outlined in the attached Executive (Closed) Session Agenda (Exhibit A).
2. **SECOND OPEN SESSION AND CALL TO ORDER:** 2:21 p.m.
 - 2.1 **Pledge of Allegiance:** Director Jones
 - 2.2 **Public Comment**
Public Speakers: None
 - 2.3 **Approval of Agenda**
Action: M/S/C (Hasan/Huber) to approve the consent calendar.
Vote: Ayes: Ford, Huber, Hasan, Jones, Keeling, Kimball, and Maulhardt;
Noes: None; Absent: None
 - 2.4 **Oral Report Regarding Executive (Closed) Session**
District Legal Counsel David D. Boyer stated there was no reportable action.
 - 2.5 **Board Members' Activities Report**
Received and filed.

2.6 General Manager's Report

Received and filed.

2.7 Administer Peace Officers Oath of Office for Park Rangers

Clerk of the Board Tracy Oehler administered the Oath of Office to Park Rangers Jerrett Howery and Paul Reynoso.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

Action: M/S/C (Hasan/Keeling) to pull Agenda Item No. 3.5 Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the General Manager as the District's Authorized Agent for Purposes of Obtaining Federal Assistance Provided by the Federal Department of Homeland Security and Subgranted through the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services Fiscal Years 2022/2023 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program from the consent calendar for individual consideration.

Vote: Ayes: Ford, Huber, Hasan, Jones, Keeling, Kimball, and Maulhardt; Noes: None; Absent: None

Action: M/S/C (Hasan/Ford) to approve the remaining consent calendar.

Vote: Ayes: Ford, Huber, Hasan, Jones, Keeling, Kimball, and Maulhardt; Noes: None; Absent: None

3.1 Approval of the February 12, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Approved the minutes.

3.2 Groundwater Basin Status Reports

Received and filed.

3.3 Investment Monthly Report (January 2025)

Received and filed.

3.4 Approve an Addendum to the Final Initial Study – Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Pothole Trailhead Parking Area Project

Approved an Addendum to the Final Initial Study – Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Pothole Trailhead Parking Area Project and direct staff to include the addendum as part of CEQA documentation for the Project in accordance with CEQA guidelines.

4. MONTHLY REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT

4.1 Operations and Maintenance Department Monthly Report

Chief Operations Officer Craig Morgan gave a presentation; received and filed.

4.2 Recreation Department Monthly Report

Senior Park Ranger Bernie Riedel gave an oral presentation; received and filed.

4.3 Water Resources Department Monthly Report and Update on Activities of Local Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs)

Principal Hydrologist Bram Sercu and Water Resources Supervisor John Lindquist gave a presentation; received and filed.

4.4 Administrative Services Department Monthly Report

Chief Financial Officer Brian Zahn and Chief Human Resources Officer Josh Perez gave an oral presentation; report received and filed.

4.5 Engineering Department Monthly Report

Engineering Manager Robert Richardson and gave a presentation; received and filed.

4.6 Environmental Services Department Monthly Report

Environmental Services Manager Marissa Caringella gave an oral presentation; received and filed.

5. MOTION ITEMS

***3.5 Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the General Manager as the District's Authorized Agent for Purposes of Obtaining Federal Assistance Provided by the Federal Department of Homeland Security and Subgranted through the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services Fiscal Years 2022/2023 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program**

Action: M/S/C (Hasan/Jones) to adopt a Resolution authorizing the General Manager as the District's authorized agent for purposes of obtaining federal assistance provided by the Federal Department of Homeland Security and Subgranted through the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services for Fiscal Years 2022/2023 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program, Grant Subaward Number 2023-9999. **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-03**

Vote: Ayes: Ford, Huber, Hasan, Jones, Keeling, Kimball, and Maulhardt; Noes: None; Absent: None

5.1 2025 Richard V. Laubacher Water Conservation Award

Action: M/S/C (Huber/Ford) nominating Option A - Regional Defense Partnership as the recipient of the 2025 Richard V. Laubacher Water Conservation Award.

Vote: Ayes: Ford, Huber, Hasan, Jones, Keeling, Kimball, and Maulhardt; Noes: None; Absent: None

5.2 Adopt a Resolution Supporting Scott Quady of Calleguas Municipal Water District to the Association of California Water Agencies-Joint Powers Insurance Authority Executive Committee

Action: M/S/C (Hasan/Huber) to adopt a Resolution supporting the nomination of Scott Quady of Calleguas Municipal Water District to the Association of California Water Agencies-Joint Powers Insurance Authority Executive Committee. **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-04**

Vote: Ayes: Ford, Huber, Hasan, Jones, Keeling, Kimball, and Maulhardt; Noes: None; Absent: None

5.3 Adopt a Resolution in Support of the State Water Project Delta Conveyance Facilities Funding Request to Continue Planning and Design Work

Action: M/S/C (Hasan/Kimball) to adopt a Resolution directing the Ventura County Watershed Protection District to execute a Contribution or Advance of Money for Delta Conveyance Planning Activities Letter as per the Agreement for the Advance or Contribution of Money to the California Department of Water Resources by the Ventura County Watershed Protection District for Preliminary Planning and Design Costs Related to a Potential Delta Conveyance Project on behalf of United Water Conservation District. **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-05**

Vote: Ayes: Ford, Huber, Hasan, Keeling, Kimball, and Maulhardt; Noes: None; Absent: None; Abstain: Jones


6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:08 p.m.

I certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the UWCD Board of Directors meeting of March 12, 2025.

ATTEST: 
Gordon Kimball, Board Secretary

ATTEST: 
Tracy J. Oehler, Clerk of the Board

*Agenda item heard out of order.

**EXHIBIT A
EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION AGENDA**

1. LITIGATION

1.1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) Government Code Sections 54956.9(e)(1)

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(e)(1) (two matters).

1.2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1)

- A. Wishtoyo Foundation, et al v. United Water Conservation District, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, Case No.2:16-cv-03869 GHK (PLAx).
- B. OPV Coalition v Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency, Superior Court of the State of California, County of Ventura, Case No. 56-2021-00555357-CU-PT-VTA; Complaint for Comprehensive Groundwater Adjudication of the Oxnard Groundwater Subbasin (No. 4-004.02) and Pleasant Valley Subbasin (No. 4-006) Pursuant to Sections 830, *Et Seq.* of the Code of Civil Procedure; Declaratory Relief; Quiet Title; and Petition for Writs of Mandate.



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Lake Piru



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Juan Fernandez Swim Beach



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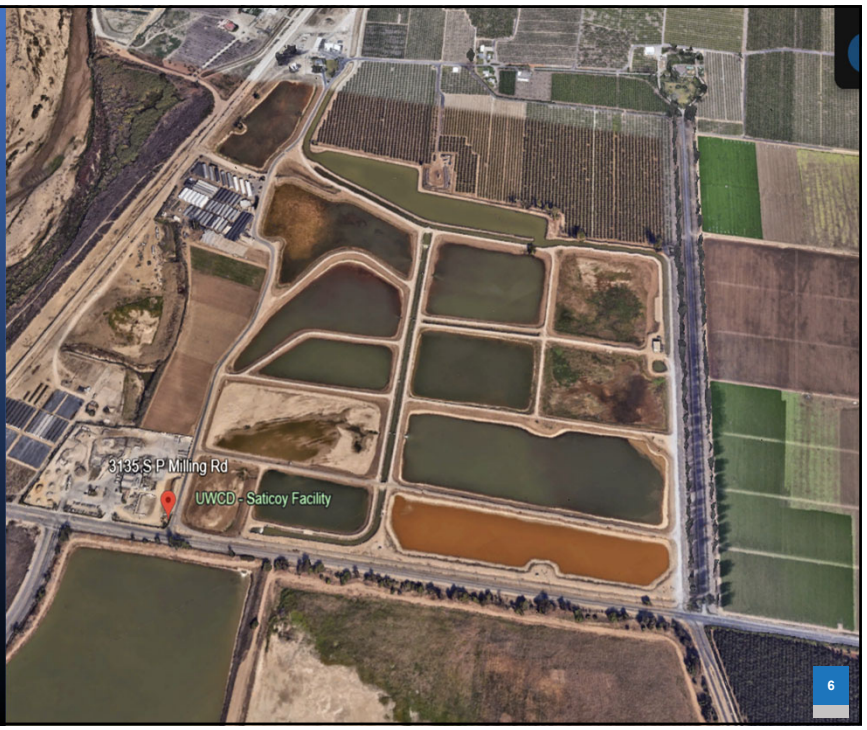
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Condor Point Store



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Saticoy Spreading Basins



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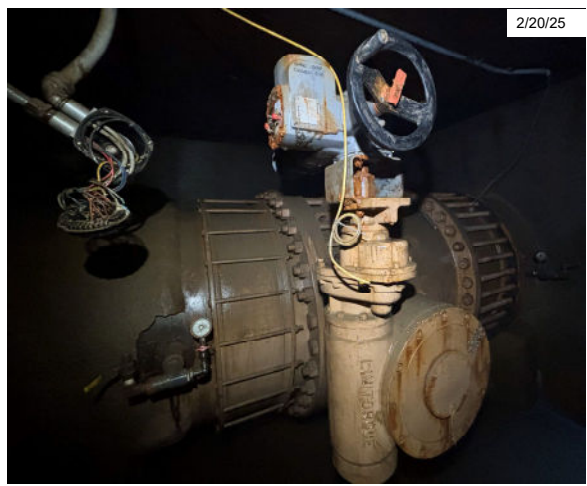
Meter Replacement



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PV Isolation Vault



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PV Isolation Vault Continued



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Staff Training



Questions?





WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT UPDATE

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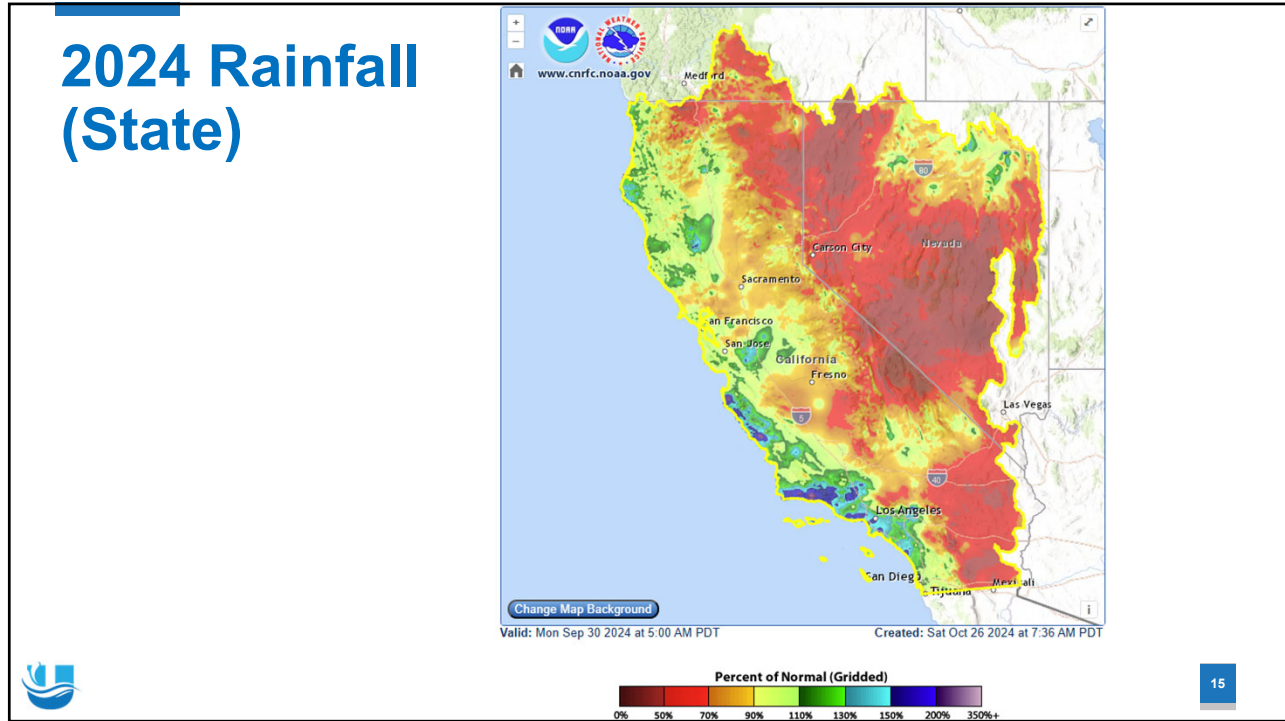
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2024 YEAR-END SUMMARY OF HYDROLOGIC AND HYDROGEOLOGIC CONDITIONS WITHIN UNITED'S SERVICE AREA

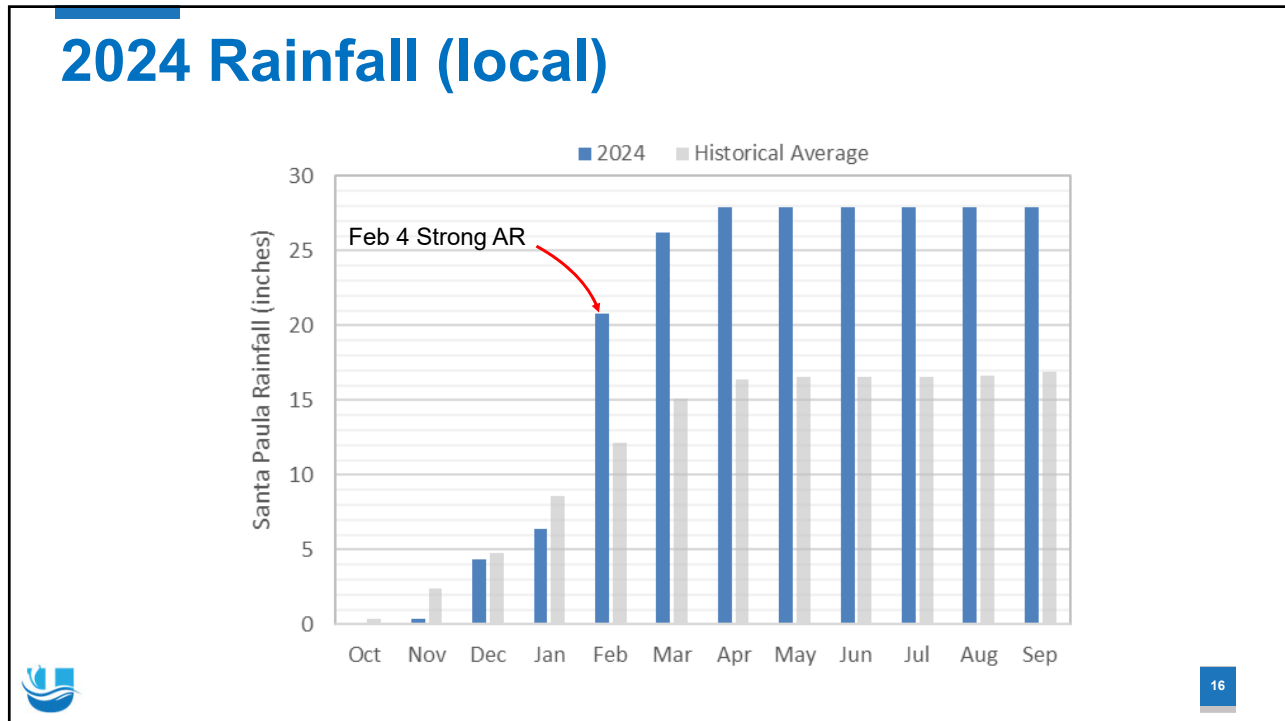
Presented by Dr. Bram Sercu,
Principal Hydrologist



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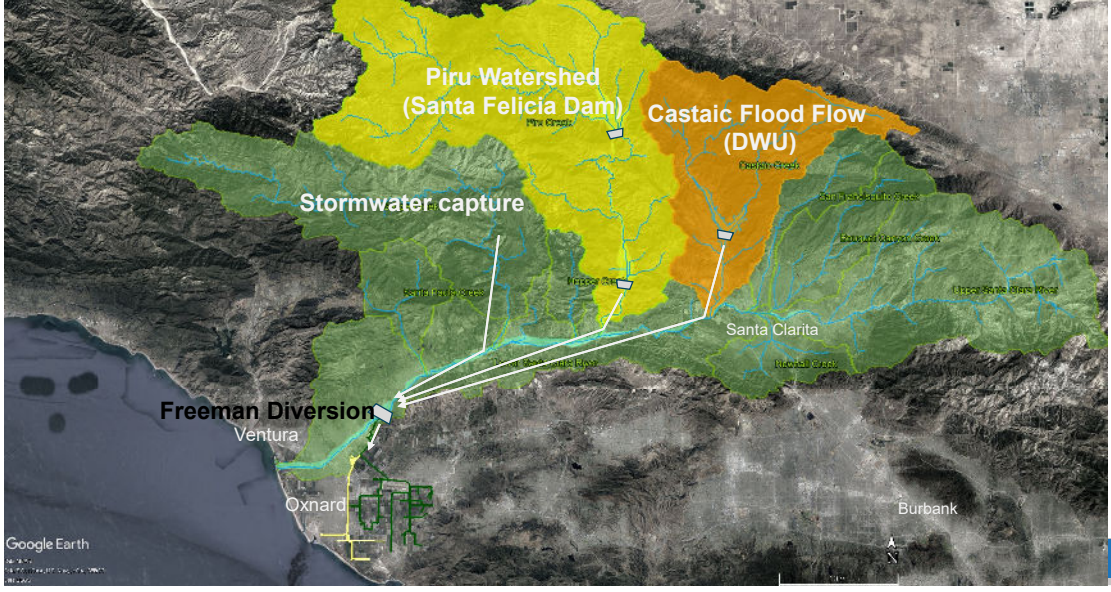


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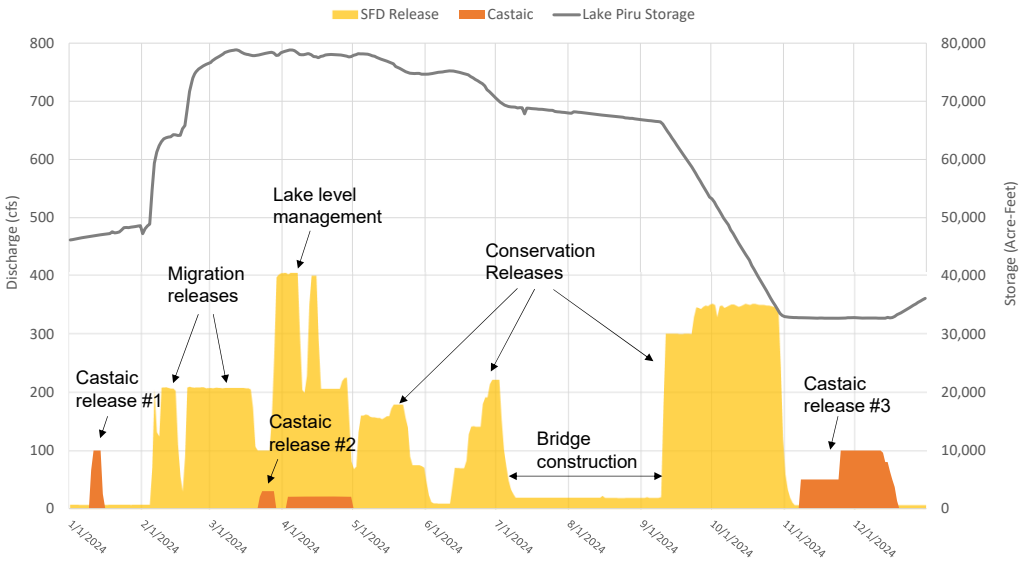
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Watershed Supply Sources

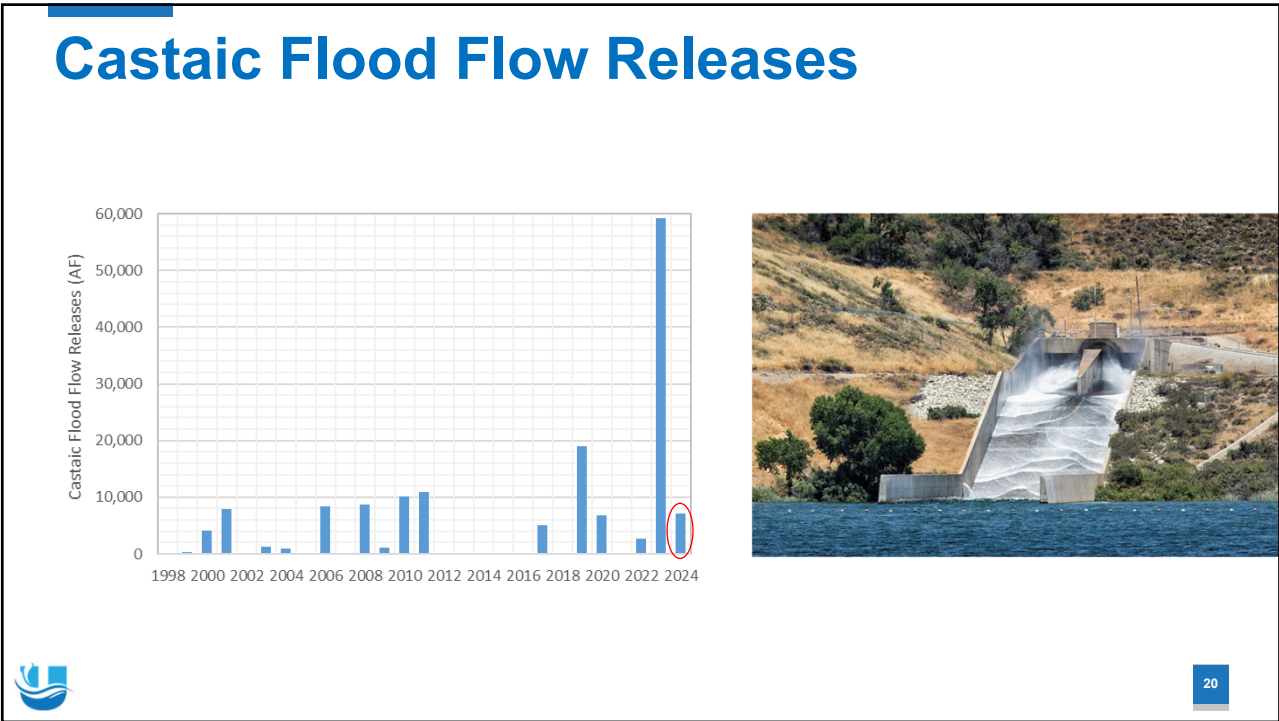
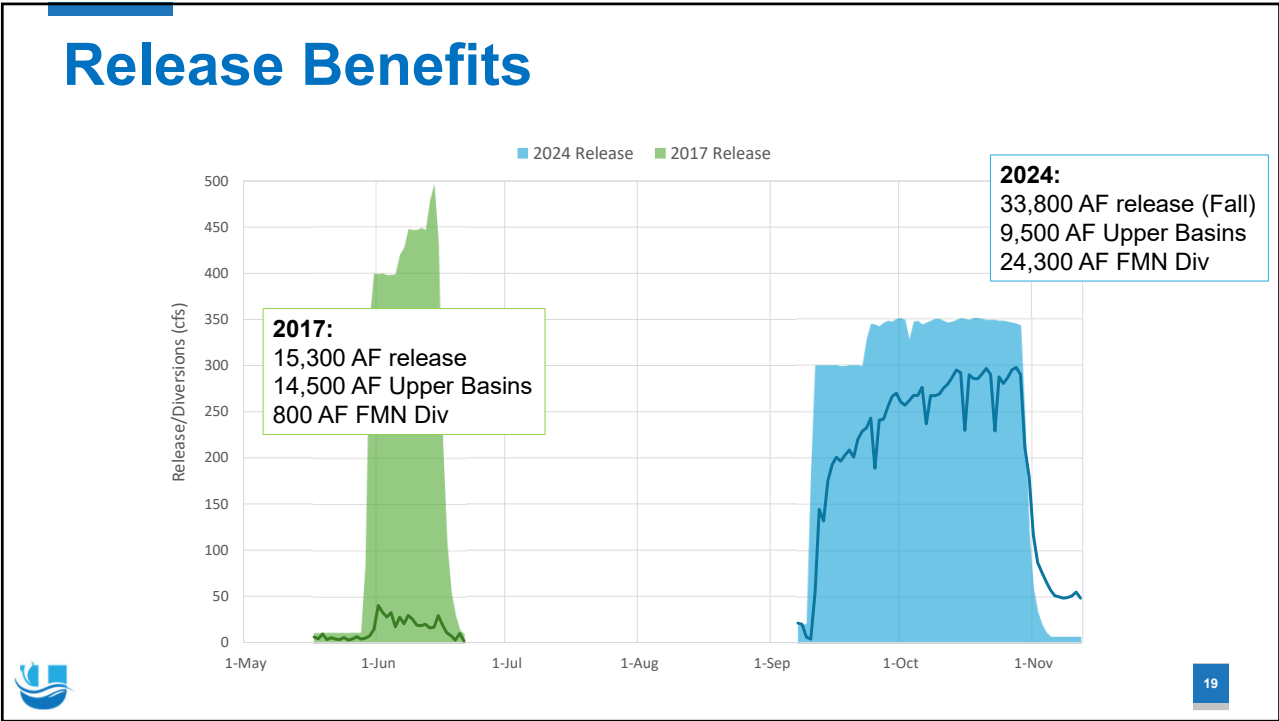


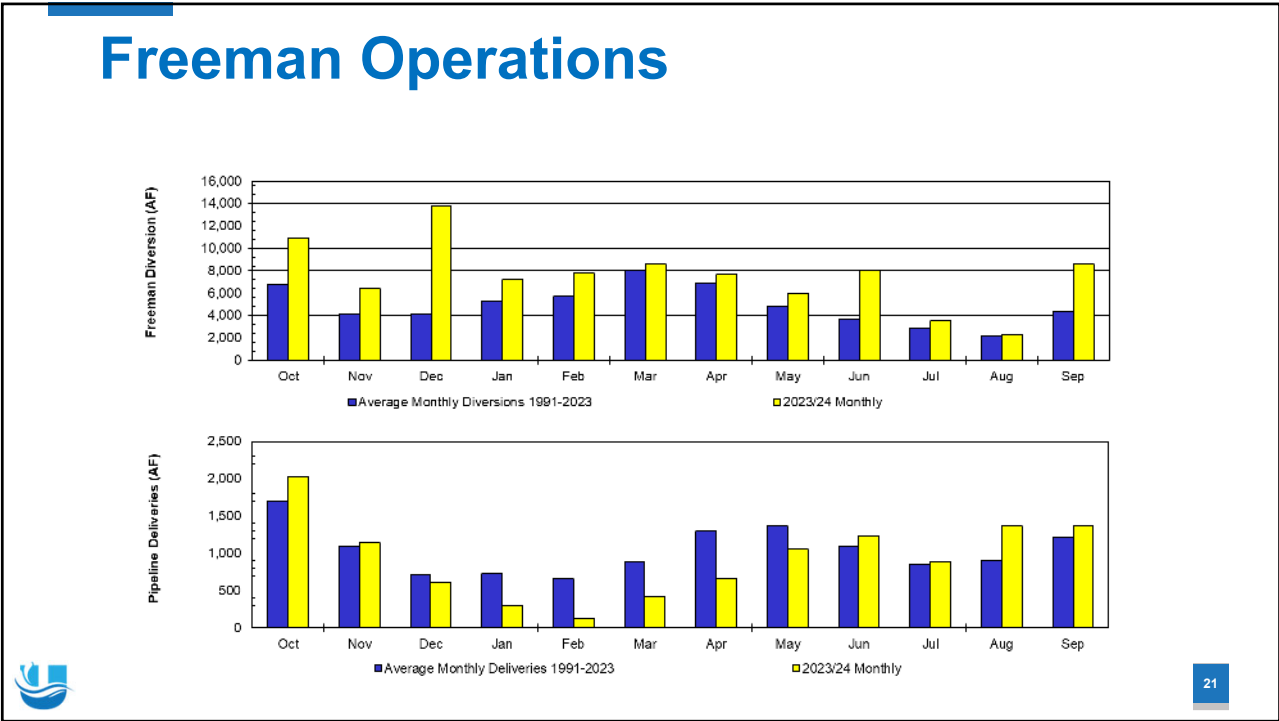
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Complex Reservoir Operations

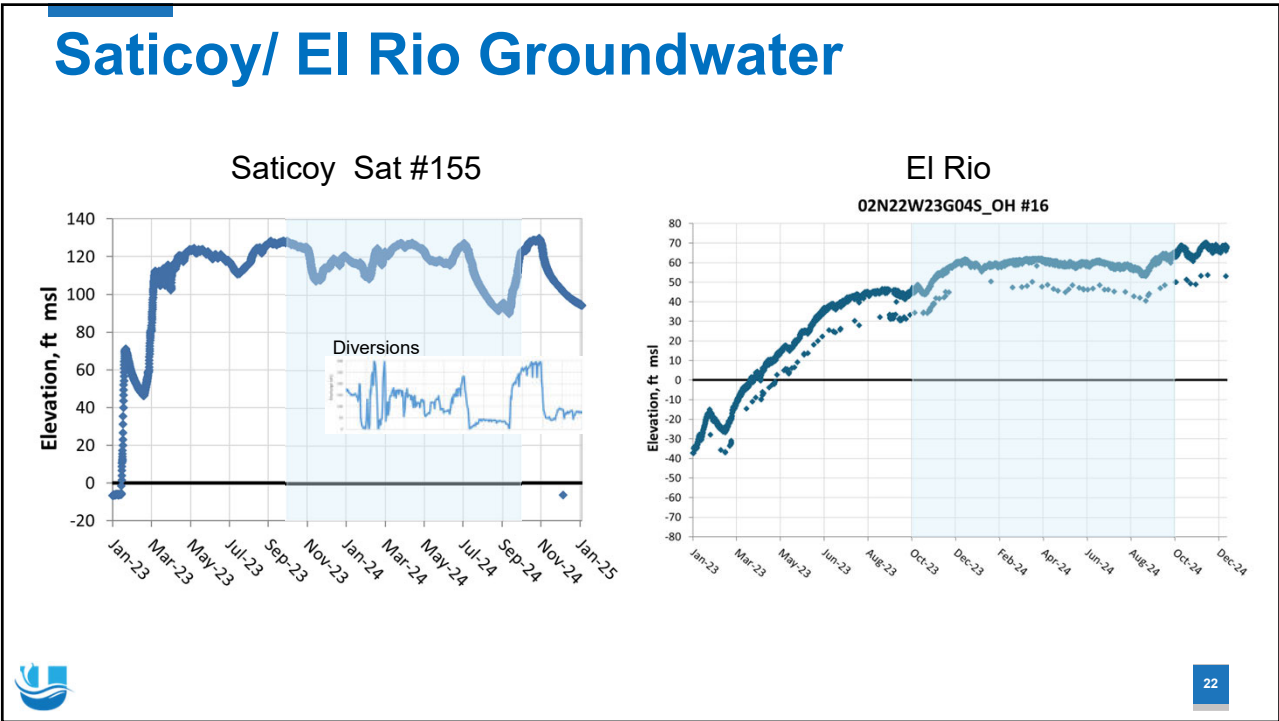


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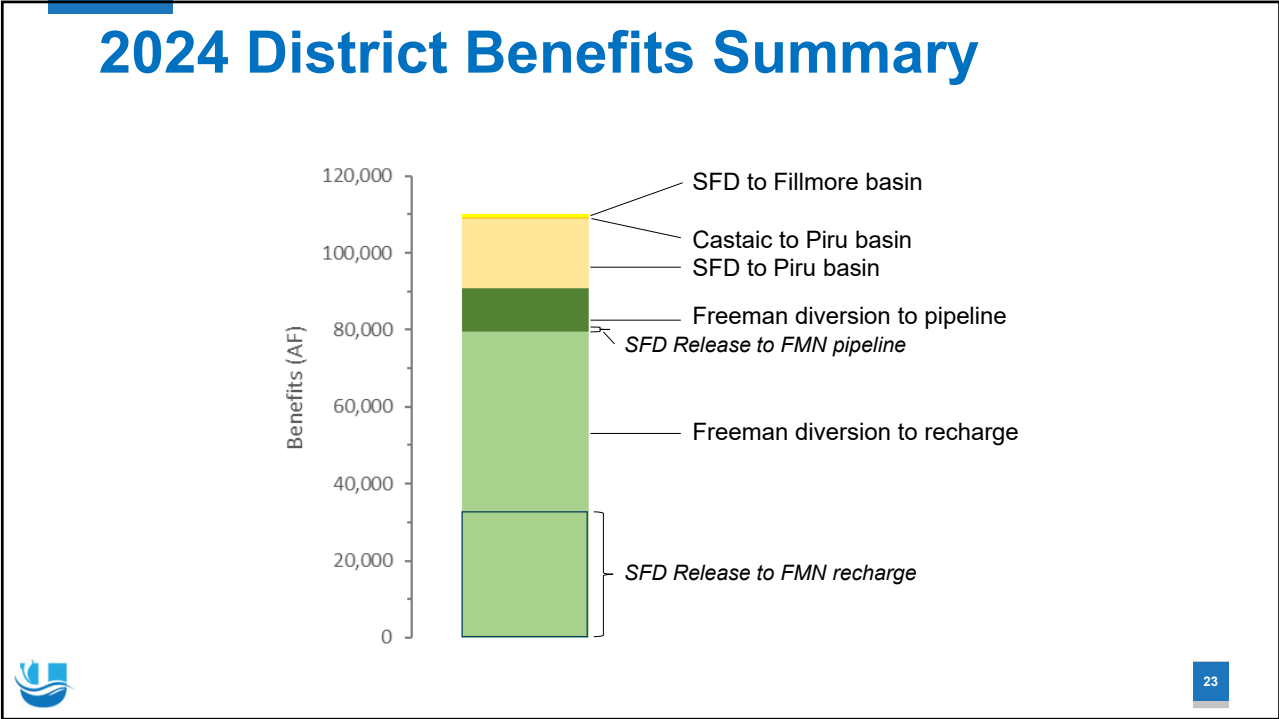




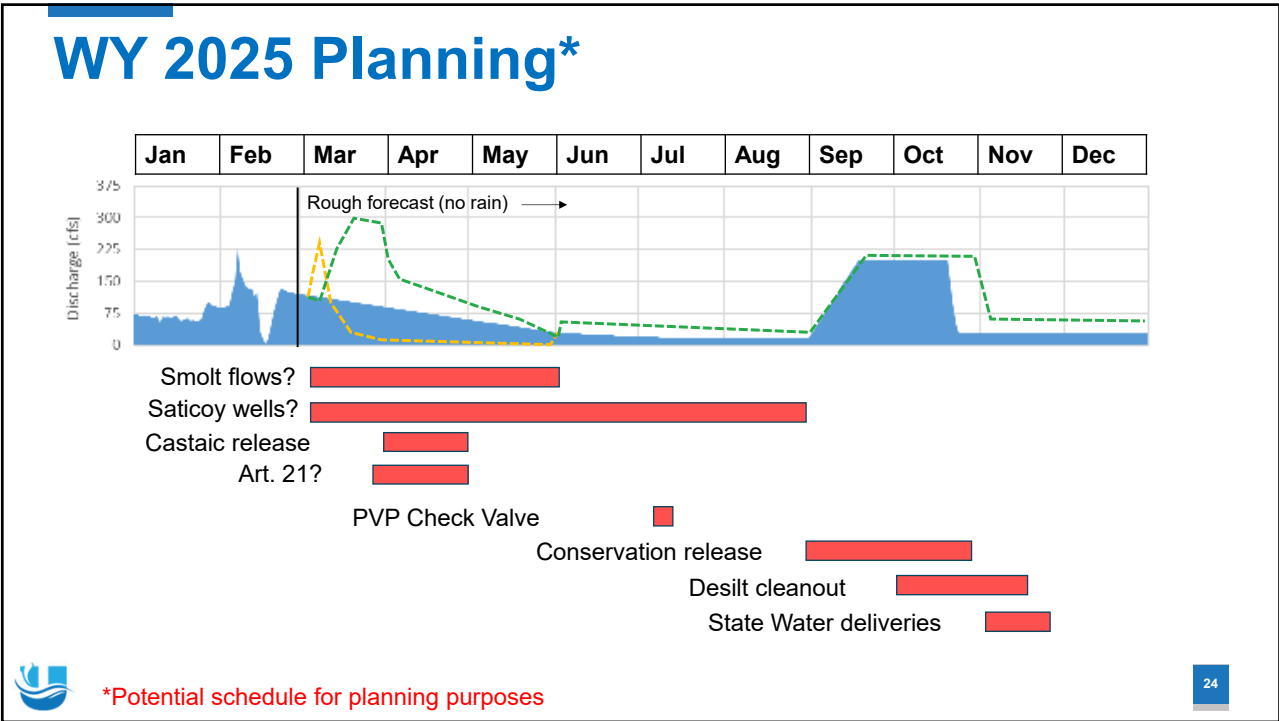
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*Potential schedule for planning purposes

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2025 State Water Imports

Table A

- ✓ 35% allocation
- ✓ Table A purchases:
 - 1,100 AF (UWCD)
 - 110 AF (carry-over)
 - 1,750 AF (CMWD transfer)
 - Other agencies?
- ✓ Variance for Pyramid releases in progress

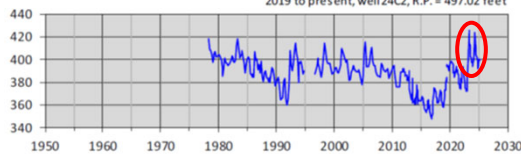
Article 21

- ✓ Unlikely
- ✓ Delivery from Castaic
- ✓ SCVWA agreement

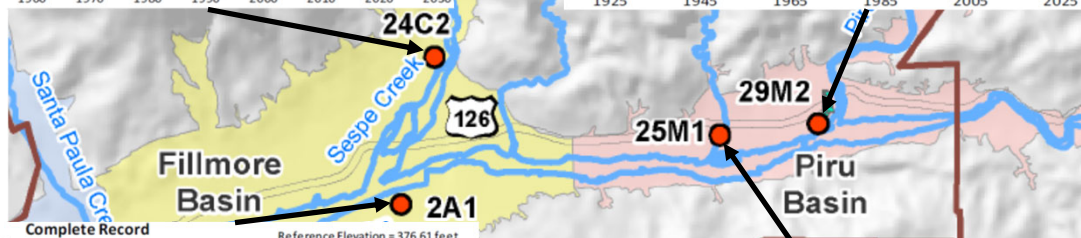
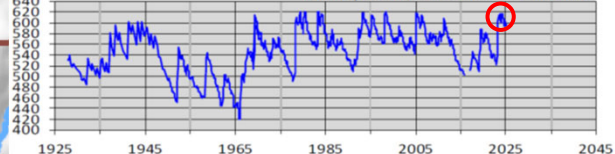


Groundwater Levels in Piru and Fillmore Basins

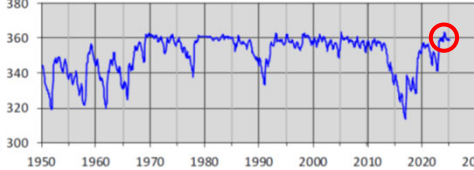
Complete Record
 1978 to 2014, well 23Q2, R.P. = 513.99 feet
 2015 to 2019, well 23N1, R.P. = 559.00 feet
 2019 to present, well 24C2, R.P. = 497.02 feet



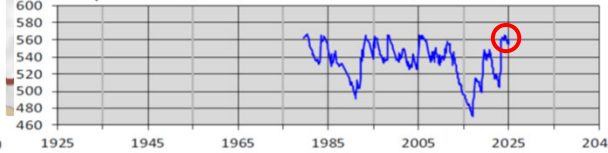
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 1968 to present, well-29M2 R.P. = 636.7 feet

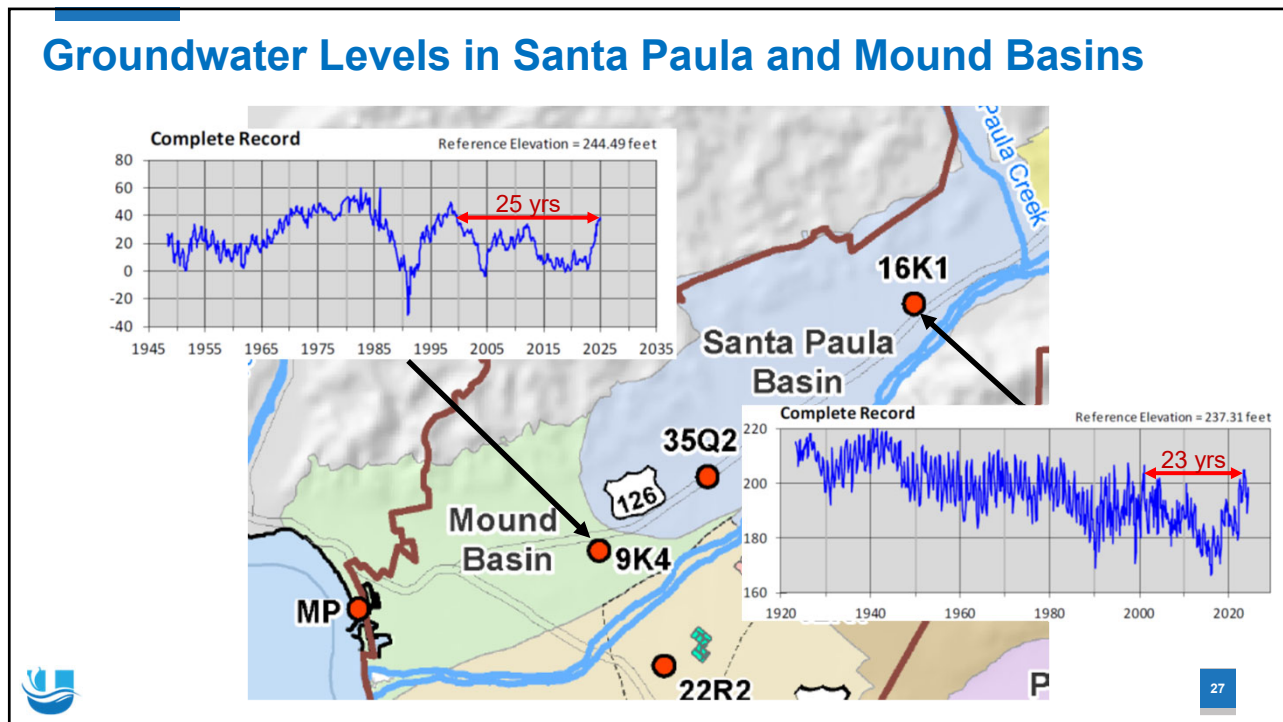


Complete Record
 Reference Elevation = 376.61 feet

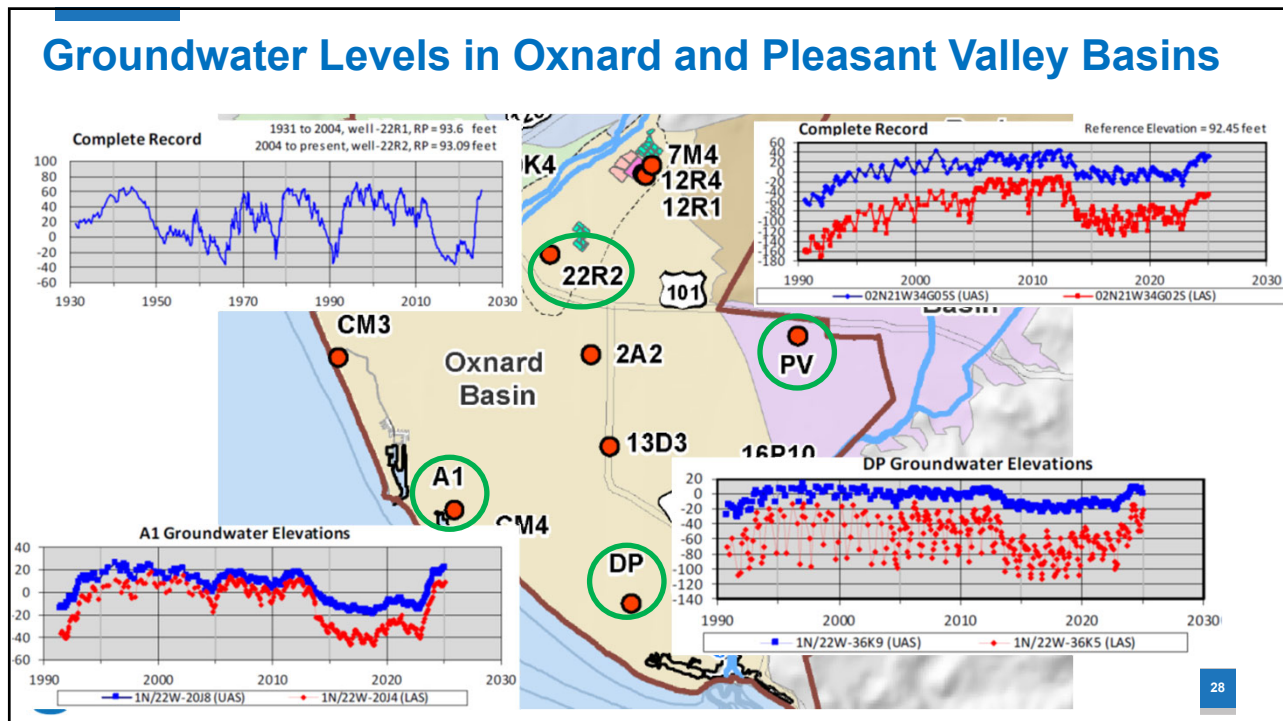


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 Reference Elevation = 582.02 feet

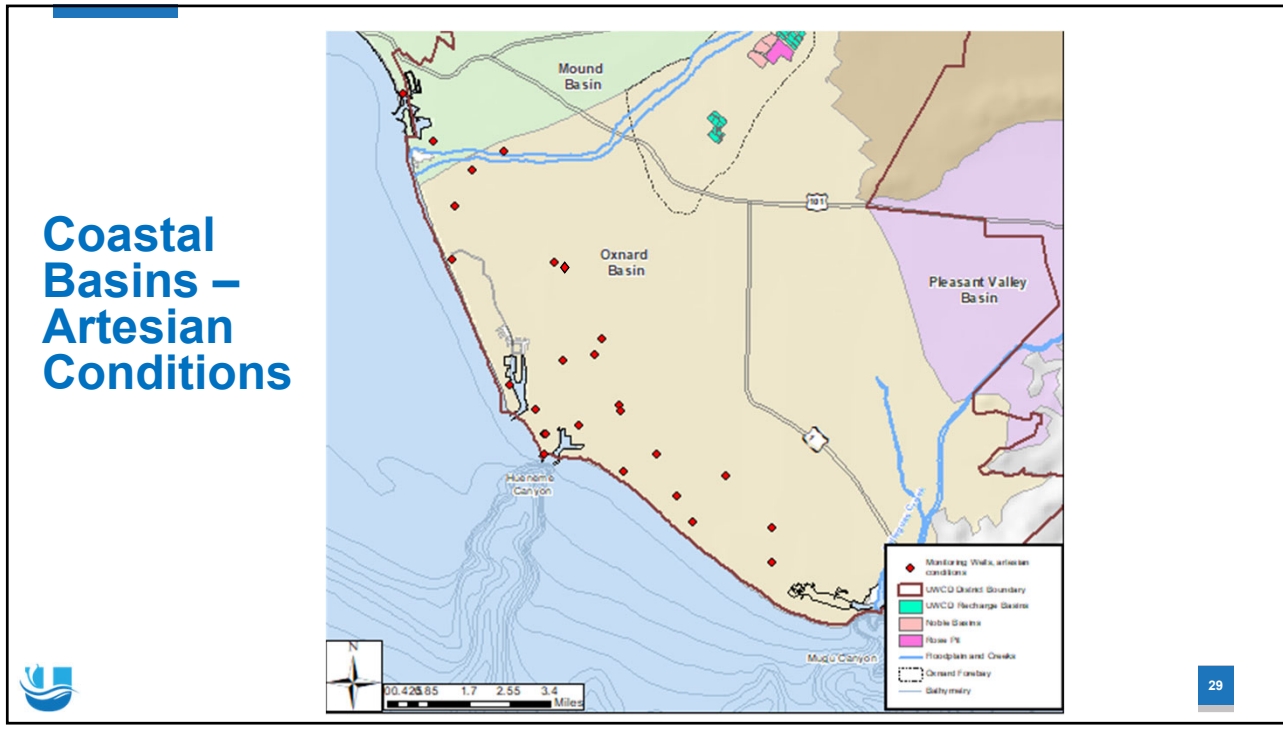




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ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
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C. REGULATORY AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

Santa Felicia Dam Safety Improvement Project

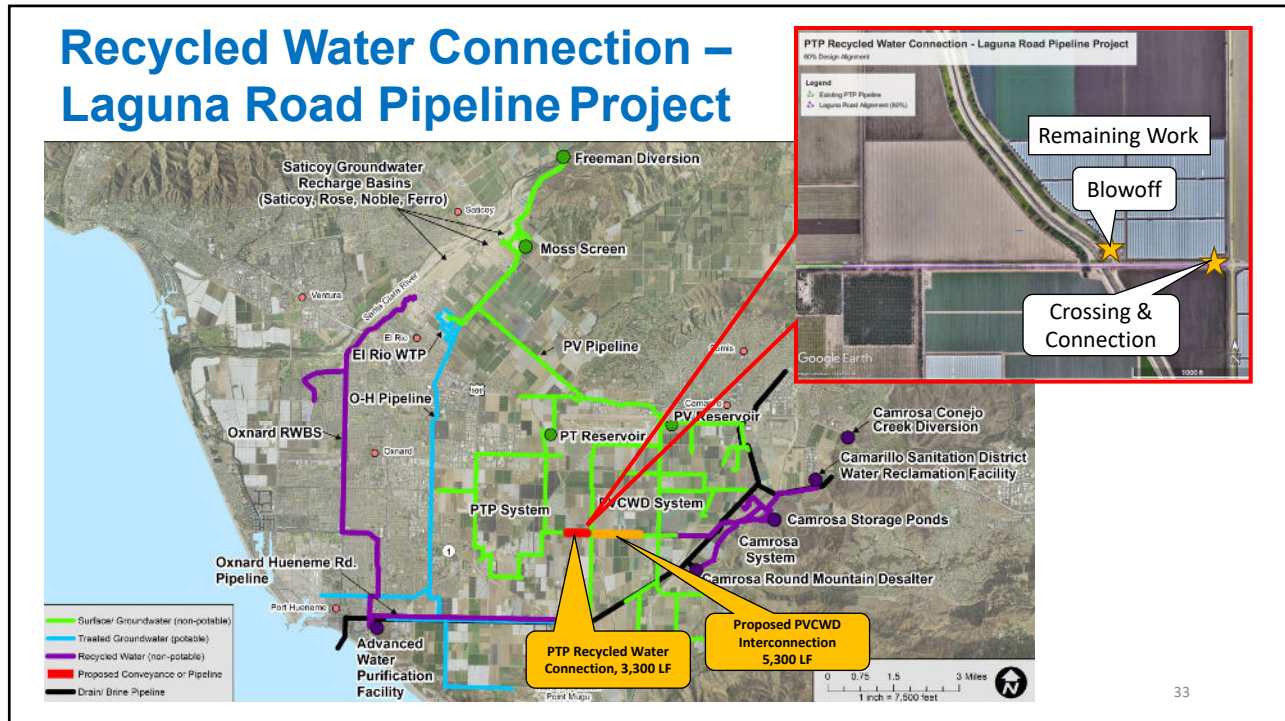
New Release Channel Drilling Program
(COMPLETE)

Nov 13, 2024

Jan 13, 2025

Jan 15, 2025

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A. WATER SUPPLY
 B. SYSTEM RELIABILITY

Recycled Water Connection – Laguna Road Pipeline Project

20+85, bell

Feb 4, 2025

22+50

Feb 4, 2025

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Slide 34

LMO Completion of HDD, other updates, outcomes from meeting with Oxnard discussing recycled water availability (2/24). Highlight those depending on the regional board discussion today.- ZH, RR
Lia Monaco, 2025-01-17T21:50:39.023

LMO 0 How many linear feet of pipes installed
Lia Monaco, 2025-02-24T17:55:33.311

A. WATER SUPPLY **B. SYSTEM RELIABILITY**

Recycled Water Connection – Laguna Road Pipeline Project

Feb 4, 2025 Feb 19, 2025 Feb 24, 2025



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Rice Avenue Overpass

Groundbreaking Ceremony

Feb 21, 2025

Feb 21, 2025

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F. COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Other Events and Public Outreach

- **January 22:** Leadership Meeting No. 5 at NBVC Point Mugu with CAPT Brown (Commanding Officer), CAPT Kranz (Chief Staff Officer), CDR Warren (Public Works Officer) and others.
- **February 6:** Maryam Bral attended the RDP General Meeting.
- **February 13:** Director Huber presented at the Navy League Channel Islands Council general meeting on the EBB Water Treatment Project.
- **February 18:** Staff visited the Active Membranes Pilot Plant (right).
- **February 27:** Maryam Bral attended the West Ventura County Business Alliance Statement Lunch Series: City Managers.



STATE WATER PROJECT DELTA CONVEYANCE FACILITIES FUNDING REQUEST TO CONTINUE PLANNING AND DESIGN WORK

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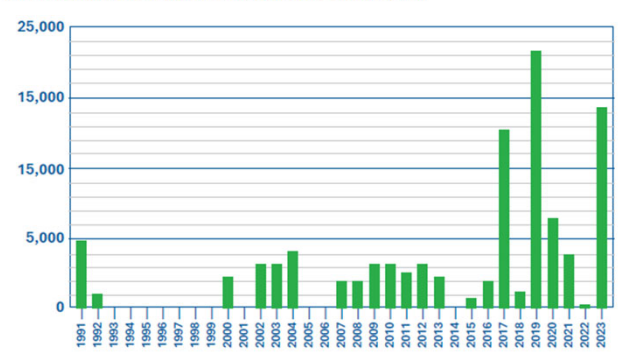
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BACKGROUND AND BENEFITS OF DELTA CONVEYANCE PROJECT


State Water Project Water Important to District's Water Portfolio

- **Strategic Plan Objective A3:**
Maximize State Water Project water import opportunities.
- **Strategic Plan Key Performance Indicator:**
Import 8,000 acre-feet per year on 5- to 10-year rolling average.

SWP Purchases, Exchanges, and Transfers to the District by Year



Year	Volume (Acre-Feet)
1991	5,000
1992	1,000
1993	1,000
1994	1,000
1995	1,000
1996	1,000
1997	1,000
1998	1,000
1999	1,000
2000	2,000
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2017	18,000
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2019	23,000
2020	8,000
2021	4,000
2022	4,000
2023	14,000


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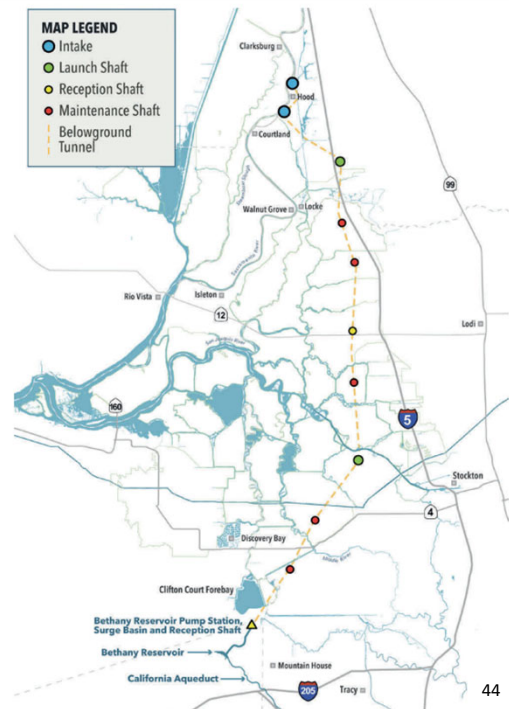
BACKGROUND AND BENEFITS OF DELTA CONVEYANCE PROJECT

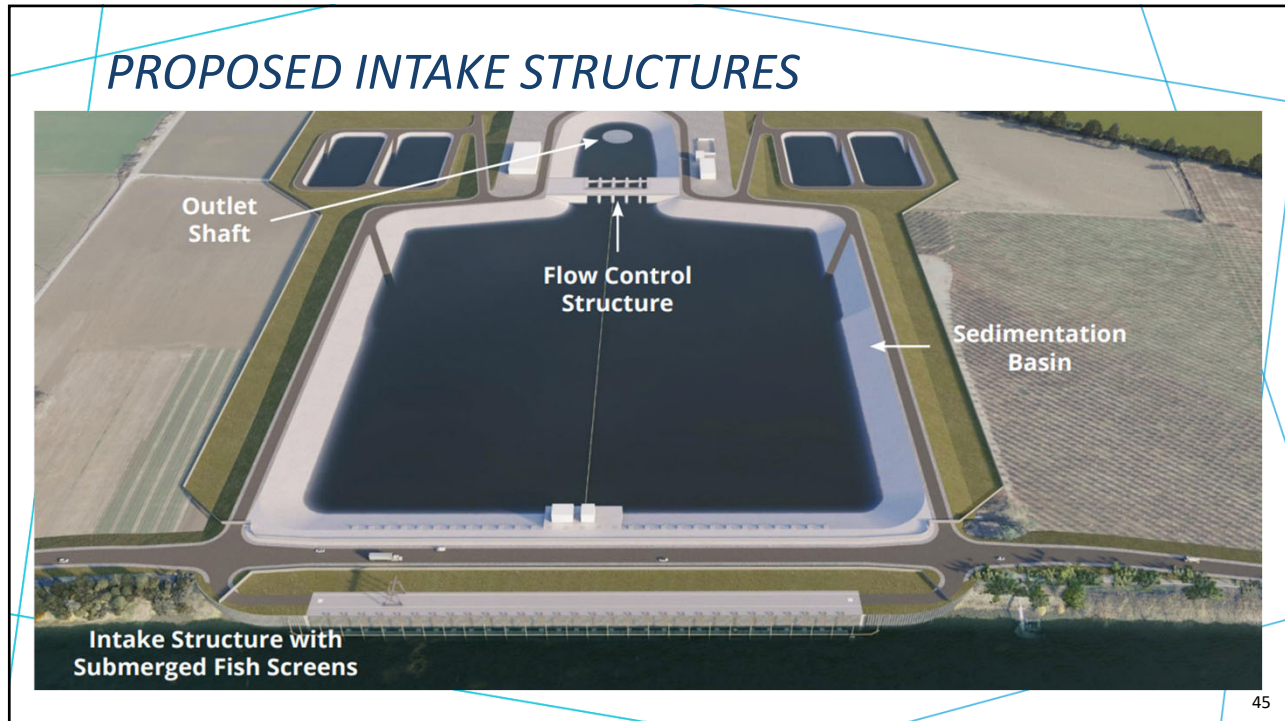
- Projected decrease in SWP annual average allocation from 60% to 40%
 - ✓ Primarily due to conveyance using Delta surface water channels
- Proposed Project will directly convey water from Sacramento River to pumping facilities in southern Delta
- Key Benefits for District (at DCP-Plus Level):
 - ✓ Maintains average allocation at 60% (Avoids losing ~630 AFY)
 - ✓ Increases deliveries for DCP-Plus participation (~ 2,000 AFY Incl. Ventura's share)
 - ✓ Reduces reliance on aging infrastructure in the Delta



KEY FEATURES OF DELTA CONVEYANCE PROJECT

- Two Intake Structures on Sacramento River
- 45-Mile Tunnel Across Delta
- Pumping Plant
- Termination at Bethany Reservoir
- Estimated \$16 Billion Construction Cost





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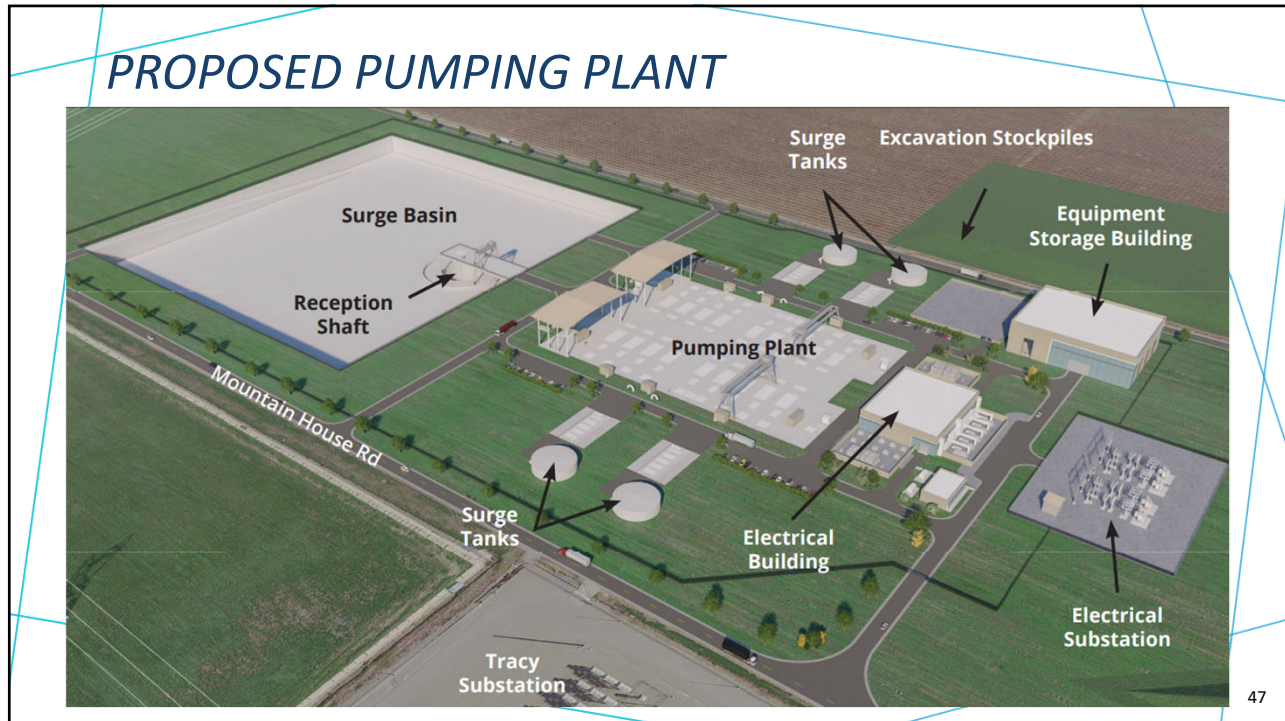
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TUNNEL CONSIDERATIONS

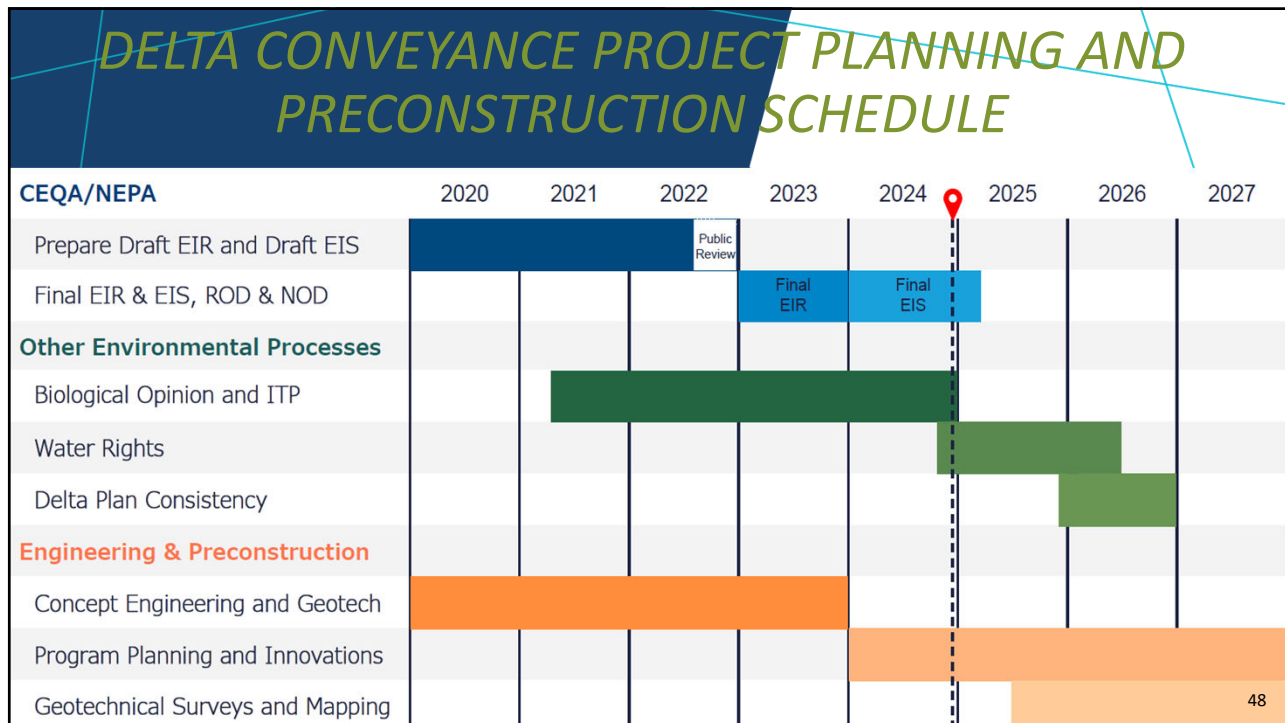
- Fewer Surface Impacts
- Enhanced Seismic Resilience
- No Evaporative Loss
- Surface Flooding Resilience

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REQUEST FROM VCWPD CONTRACT GROUP

• 2020 – 2025 Period	\$2,101,339	4 Payments	Complete
• 2025 – 2027 Period	\$1,637,407	2 Payments	Requested



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REQUEST FROM UNITED

• 2020 – 2025 Period	\$525,335	4 Payments	Complete
• 2025 – 2027 Period	\$461,451	2 Payments	Requested





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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

ADOPT A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE VENTURA COUNTY WATERSHED PROTECTION DISTRICT TO EXECUTE A CONTRIBUTION OR ADVANCE OF MONEY FOR DELTA CONVEYANCE PLANNING ACTIVITIES LETTER...

FOR PRELIMINARY PLANNING AND DESIGN COSTS RELATED TO A POTENTIAL CONVEYANCE PROJECT ON BEHALF OF UNITED WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT.

A photograph showing a worker in safety gear (hard hat, orange vest, and dark pants) pushing a small cart or equipment through a large, dark tunnel. The tunnel walls are curved and the lighting is dim, creating a sense of depth and scale.A small logo for the United Water Conservation District, featuring a stylized blue and white wave or water drop shape.