

Westlands Water District Notice of Regular Meeting and Agenda

Notice is hereby given that a Regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Westlands Water District will be held on October 20, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. at the District's Fresno Office, 286 W. Cromwell Avenue, Fresno, California 93711.

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Meeting Agenda

Public Comment: Any member of the public may address the Board concerning any matter on the Agenda when the item is considered by the Board. Public comment is limited to three minutes per person and no more than fifteen minutes per topic. For good cause, the meeting Chair may waive these limitations. Reminder that this meeting is being recorded.

Pursuant to the Brown Act any person who willfully disrupts the meeting to render orderly conduct of the meeting infeasible, or who refuses to comply with the orders of the Chair, may be removed from the meeting. While the Board welcomes public participation, it does not endorse any remarks or conduct that fail to uphold commonly understood standards of civility and decorum.

1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

The Chair may acknowledge Board members participating remotely as authorized by Government Code Section 54950 et seq.

2. Board of Directors to Consider Modifications, Corrections or Additions to the Agenda of Items, as Authorized by Government Code Section 54950 et seq.

3. Consent Calendar

All items listed on the Consent Calendar are routine and non-controversial and will be acted upon by a single action of the Board of Directors, unless a Board Member requests separate consideration of the item. If such a request is made, the item may be heard as an action item at this meeting.

Board of Directors to Consider:

- a. Approving the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 15, 2026
- b. Approving the Accounts Payable Reports (Dix)

4. General Manager's Report (Febbo)

- a. Water Supply, Water Operations and Projected Water Supply and Use and Central Valley Project/State Water Project Operations, Drainage, Energy, Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan-Voluntary Agreement Update, Endangered Species Act Consultation on and Environmental Review for the Coordinated Long-Term Operation of the CVP and SWP, and Other Resources Activities (Febbo/Campbell)
- b. Science Program Update (Cavallo)
- c. Federal & State Legislative Affairs (Febbo)
- d. Public Outreach, External Affairs, and Consultant Review (Febbo)
- e. Operations & Maintenance Report (Vandergon)
- f. Strategic Plan Status Update (Febbo/Farmer)

5. Outside Agency Activities (Board)

Reports on activities of outside agencies Family Farm Alliance [Bourdeau],

San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority [Freeman], Association of California Water Agencies [Freeman], State and Federal Contractors Water Agency [Gutierrez], Central Valley Project Water Association [Farmer], Power and Water Resources Pooling Authority [Campbell], San Joaquin Valley Blueprint [Freeman]

6. Valley Clean Infrastructure Plan (VCIP) (Gutierrez/Freeman)

- a. Update on VCIP transmission infrastructure activities (Gutierrez/Freeman)
- b. Update on Community Benefits Plan activities (Febbo)

7. Finance & Administration Committee (Bourdeau)

The Committee Chair will report, and the Board may act upon the following items within the Committee's jurisdiction.

- a. Board of Directors to Consider Investment and Financial Reports (Dix)
- b. Board of Directors to Consider Approving 2026-2027 Mid-year Budget Transfers, Augmentations and Updates (Dix)
- c. Board of Directors to Consider Approving Revised 2026-2027 Water Rates and Charges Retroactive to March 1, 2026 (Dix)
- d. Board of Directors to Receive an Update on 2027-2028 Budget Schedule (Dix)
- e. Board of Directors to Consider Approving the Allocation of Drought Pool Water, Cushion Water and System Gain (Farmer)
- f. Board to Consider Approving a Revised Salary Schedule Effective October 16, 2026.

8. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

Serving as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency of the Westside Subbasin:

- a. Board of Directors to Receive an Update and/or Provide Input on Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Implementation/Compliance Activities, including Actions to Implement the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (Solorio)
- b. Board of Directors to Receive an Update on the 2026/27 Groundwater Conditions (Maraccini)
- c. Board of Directors to Consider a Request for Variance from Article 1: Regulations for the Groundwater Allocation Program and Use of the Groundwater Within the Westside Subbasin, regarding the Acceptance of a Revised Groundwater Allocation Application Agreement from EBC Farms, LLC for Sections 8, 16, 17, and 21 in Township 18, Range 19 (Campbell)
- d. Board of Directors to Receive an Update on Potential Revisions to the Subsidence Prone Areas Within the Westside Subbasin (Campbell)

9. Board of Directors to Consider (a) Finding Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act the Execution of a Water Exchange Agreement with Santa Clara Valley Water District and (b) Authorizing the General Manager or Designee to Execute Said Agreement and Related Actions.

(Campbell)

10. Public Comment

Any member of the public may address the District Board of Directors concerning any matter not on the Agenda but within the Board's jurisdiction. Public comment is limited to three minutes per person and no more than fifteen minutes per topic. For good cause, the meeting Chair may waive these limitations. In accordance with the Brown Act, the Board cannot act on any items not on the Agenda. Public questions and comments on items listed on the Agenda will be accepted at the time the item is considered by the Board.

11. Closed Session

Board members' opportunity to disclose their recusal from a closed session item because of a conflict of interest under Government Code section 87100.

Members of the public may provide comments on any closed session item at this time.

The Board will meet with Legal Counsel in closed session pursuant to the Government Code sections noted to discuss the following:

- a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Significant exposure to litigation (Pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(2)) and/or initiation of litigation (Pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(4)) – 6 potential cases
- b. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code section 54956.8)
- c. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
Existing Litigation Pursuant to paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9
 - 1) Firebaugh Canal Water District et al. v. United States of America et al., United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Case Nos. 1:88-cv-634-JLT- SKO, 1:91-cv-048-LJO/DLB
 - 2) Westlands Water District v. United States, United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, Case No. 13-5069
 - 3) North Coast Rivers Alliance et al. v. U.S. Department of the Interior et al., United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 1:16-cv-00307-JLT-SKO and Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Case No. 25-5137 (“Challenge to Interim Renewal Contracts & Repayment Contracts”)
 - 4) Hoopa Valley Tribe v. United States Bureau of Reclamation et al.,

United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 1:20-cv-01814-JLT-EPG (“Challenge to Repayment Contracts”)

- 5) Center for Biological Diversity et al. v. United States Bureau of Reclamation et al., United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 1:20-cv-0706-JLT-EPG and Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Case No. 25-5137 (“Challenge to Repayment Contracts”)
- 6) State Water Board Cases, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. JCCP 5013 (“WQCP Phase 1 Litigation”)
- 7) Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen’s Association et al. v. Raimondo, et al., United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 1:20-cv-0431-JLT-EPG (“2019 ROC on LTO NGO Litigation”)
- 8) California Sportfishing Protection Alliance et al. v. State Water Resources Control Board et al., Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 34-2021-80003761 (“2021 Order Re TUCP”)
- 9) California Sportfishing Protection Alliance et al. v. State Water Resources Control Board et al., Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 34-2021-80003763 (“2021 Order Re Shasta Temp. Mgmt. Plan”)
- 10) State Water Resources Curtailment Cases, Santa Clara County Superior Court Case No. 22CV402030, JCCP No. 5229
- 11) State Water Resources Control Board, Administrative Hearings Office, Proceeding re Petitions for Change of Water Rights Permits 16478, 16479, 16481, and 16482 (Applications 5630, 14443, 14445A, and 17512, respectively) of the Department of Water Resources (“Delta Conveyance Project Proceeding”)
- 12) Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority et al. v. California Department of Water Resources et al., Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 24WM000183; San Francisco Baykeeper et al. v. California Department of Water Resources et al., Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 24WM000185, California Sportfishing Protection Alliance et al. v. California Department of Water Resources et al., Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 24WM000181, Central Delta Water Agency and South Delta Water Agency v. California Department of Water Resources, Sacramento Superior Court Case No. TBD (“2024 State Water Project LTO/ITP”)
- 13) San Francisco Baykeeper, et al. v. U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, et al., United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 2:26-cv-00671-JLT EPG (“2024 BiOp case”)
- 14) LS Power Grid California, LLC v. Olivia M. Chaney, Westlands Water District, et al., Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 26CECG01238 (“LS Power-Chaney eminent domain proceeding”)
- 15) LS Power Grid California, LLC v. Joseph O. Souza, Jr., Westlands Water District, et al., Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 26CU00873; (“LS Power-Souza I eminent domain proceeding”)
- 16) LS Power Grid California, LLC v. William & Donna Souza, Westlands

Water District, et al., Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 26CU00897; (“LS Power-Souza II eminent domain proceeding”)

17) LS Power Grid California, LLC v. Sair Partnership 7, LLC, Westlands Water District, et al., Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 26CU00852 (“LS Power-Sair eminent domain proceeding”)

18) LS Power Grid California, LLC v. Procacci, Westlands Water District, et al., Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 26CU01405 (“LS Power-Procacci eminent domain proceeding”)

19) LS Power Grid California, LLC v. Luna Valley Land Holdings, LLC, Westlands Water District, et al., Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 26CU1426 (“LS Power-Luna Valley eminent domain proceeding”)

12. Report from Closed Session, if any, Required by Government Code Section 54957.1

13. Adjournment

Order of Business

The order of business reflected in this Agenda is subject to change.

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At the appropriate time, the meeting Chair will acknowledge members of the

public wishing to provide comments. Participants attending by video conference are asked to use the “Raise Hand” tool in the Zoom interface when seeking to provide public comment on an item. Remote public comment is limited to three minutes per person and no more than fifteen minutes per topic.

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Disclosure

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Westlands Water District September 15, 2026

The Board of Directors of Westlands Water District held a Regular Meeting on September 15, 2026, at the District's Fresno office, 286 W. Cromwell, Fresno, California 93711.

Directors present:

Jeff Fortune, President
Jim Anderson, Vice President
Jeremy Hughes, Secretary
William Bourdeau, Treasurer (Absent)
Frank Coelho, Jr.
Justin Diener
Ross Franson
Ryan Ferguson (Absent)
Ernie Costamagna (Absent)

Staff present:

Allison Febbo, General Manager (Remote participation)
Jose Gutierrez, Assistant General Manager
Stephen Farmer, Chief Administrative Officer
Russ Freeman, Deputy General Counsel
Katarina Campbell, Deputy General Manager, Resources
Kelly Vandergon, Deputy General Manager, Operations & Maintenance
Sherman Dix, Deputy General Manager, Finance & Administration
Jacob Smith, Information Technology Officer
Jasdeep Singh, Senior Information Technology Analyst
Antonio Solorio, Resources Engineer
Alan Rosenthal, Resources Engineer
Peter Maraccini, Supervisor of Resources
Liana Leyva, Executive Assistant
Abby Castillo, Administrative Assistant

Others present:

Scott Slater, Brownstein Hyatt Farber & Schreck

Item 1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

President Fortune called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. He announced the open session portion of the meeting was being recorded and held at the Fresno District Office. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mr. Farmer confirmed that a quorum of the Board was present.

Item 2. Board to Consider Corrections or Additions to the Agenda of Items, as Authorized by Government Code Section 54950 et seq.

Mr. Farmer requested to move Item 3d to follow Item 7f.

Director Coelho moved to approve the change to the agenda, Director Hughes seconded the motion, and there were no public comments. The Board of Directors approved the change to the agenda with the vote as follows:

Ayes: Fortune, Diener, Coelho, Franson, Hughes, Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: Ferguson, Costamagna, Bourdeau

Item 3. Consent Calendar

President Fortune reported all items listed on the Consent Calendar were routine and non-controversial and would be acted upon by a single action of the Board of Directors.

Director Coelho moved to approve the Consent Calendar as modified to move Item 3d to follow Item 7f as approved under Item 2, Director Hughes seconded the motion, and there were no public comments. The Board of Directors approved the Consent Calendar with the vote as follows:

Ayes: Fortune, Diener, Coelho, Franson, Hughes, Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: Ferguson, Bourdeau, Costamagna

Item 4. General Manager's Report

Item 4.a. Water Supply, Project Operations, Energy, and Water Quality

Ms. Febbo updated the Board on key operational, regulatory, and water supply matters, highlighting that the draft Water Quality Control Plan was released a few weeks ago. The District waited to release a statement until staff completed its review. She stated that the District and the Bureau do not support the draft as it stands because it does not meet the principles or the spirit of the 2022 MOU. Adoption is scheduled for the State Water Resources Control Board's October meeting, and the District will submit comments by the September 18 deadline identifying where the draft falls short. Staff continue to share data and analysis with Reclamation showing that additional CVP water could have been allocated earlier in the season. Reclamation has indicated the water will not be allocated this season but will be allocated next season, and staff will continue to pursue it.

Directors encouraged staff to continue pressing Reclamation to allocate the additional 2% of CVP supply water this season.

Item 4.a.1 Water Supply

Mr. Rosenthal updated the Board on current water supply conditions and operational activities throughout the District. He reported a 28% Central Valley Project allocation supporting 542,837 acre-feet of 2026-2027 surface water supply. Water use, supplemental supplies, groundwater pumping, and project conditions shaped the outlook. August surface water use was 50,000 AF, below the 52,000 AF forecast, but cumulative use year to date was about 11,300 AF above forecast; September deliveries were projected at 29,000 AF. The District allocated 73,000 AF supplemental water and projected 260,000 AF of 2026-2027 groundwater pumping, including 80,000 AF from Groundwater Management Program (GWMP) wells and 180,000 AF from non-GWMP wells. Jones Pumping Plant was operating at about 4,300 cfs, Banks Pumping Plant at about 7,200 cfs, and CVP San Luis Reservoir storage was approximately 435.5 TAF.

Item 4.b. Science Program Update

Ms. Febbo updated the Board on the Science Program, highlighting the winter-run Chinook salmon have largely completed hatching and indicated that temperature is no longer a significant factor affecting their development. She commented on what she characterized as overreach by the State Water Resources Control Board regarding temperature management requirements. She also provided an update on ongoing efforts to utilize drone technology for predator tracking, noting the need for a drone capable of carrying a 14-pound payload and that efforts are underway to locate a suitable system. Additionally, she discussed concerns related to the proliferation of golden mussels, particularly their consumption of available food resources and the potential impacts on smaller aquatic species.

Item 4.c. Federal & State Legislative Affairs

Ms. Febbo updated the Board on federal and state affairs, legislative activity, and ongoing regulatory matters affecting water resources and infrastructure. At the federal level, she reported that the Record of Decision for Lake Mead and Lake Powell operations was signed on August 21 and subsequently challenged by Nevada. She also noted that a continuing resolution was approved to fund the federal government through December 11, that the Senate is expected to revisit the Farm Bill, and that Senator Padilla has introduced legislation to reauthorize the Bureau of Reclamation's ability to partner in and partially fund desalination projects. Regarding state affairs, she reported that the legislative session is concluding, with staff monitoring bills awaiting the Governor's action and submitting veto request letters for measures opposed by the Association. She also noted that efforts to secure Proposition 4 funding remain ongoing and that community benefits legislation is pending the Governor's signature. On regulatory matters, Ms. Febbo reported that comments are being prepared on the Water Quality Control Plan Update, hearings on the Delta Conveyance Project continue, and a Bureau of Reclamation grant opportunity is available for desalination and water purification projects.

Item 4.d. Public Outreach, External Affairs and Consultant Review

Ms. Febbo updated the Board on key activities and outreach initiatives. She reported that the Healthy Rivers and Landscapes (HRL) press release continues to generate significant public

interest and attention. She also noted that Congressman Fong's recent tour and roundtable discussion were productive and provided a valuable opportunity to discuss key District issues. Additionally, Ms. Febbo reported that recruitment efforts are underway for the Deputy General Manager, Government and Public Affairs position.

Item 4.e. Operations and Maintenance Report

Mr. Vandergon updated the Board on operations and maintenance in the District, noting current distribution system capacity limitations, scheduled lateral shutdowns, facility improvements, metering, and golden mussel control, including 100 percent mortality in initial treatments. The report highlights immediate outages alongside projects supporting future operations. Pump 4 at 31L failed, limiting P-line deliveries; additional outages affect 7R and 34L, while PVPP will shut down from 10:00 to 2:00 for Unit 7 power reconnection. The Five-Points facility remodel will add four offices, a conference/board room, ADA-compliant restrooms, roof and utility repairs, and energy-efficiency upgrades ahead of a potential 2027-2028 budget request. Surface Water AMI remains on schedule for completion by December 2028. Golden mussel treatments on Laterals 4L and 7R reduced copper concentration from 0.30 ppm to 0.13 ppm, produced complete observed mortality, and will pause for approximately one month before adaptive continuation.

Director Diener asked whether an estimated cost had been developed for the Five-Points office remodel. Mr. Vandergon stated that the preliminary estimate based on the 60% design plans was approximately \$1 million. Director Anderson suggested not installing a permanent wall in the middle of the new conference/board room, noting that it would significantly reduce the size and functionality of the space. Several Directors recommended considering a removable or retractable partition instead, which would provide greater flexibility and allow the room to serve multiple purposes while maintaining a larger, more usable meeting space.

Item 4.f. Strategic Plan Status Update

Mr. Farmer updated the Board on the Strategic Plan, including the addition of a new objective focused on energy and power. A draft of the proposed objective will be presented to the Board for review and input, with additional feedback to be gathered at the next grower meeting before the matter is reconsidered at the October meeting. Director Diener also highlighted recent Lemoore Naval Air Station (LNAS) activities, and discussion included the need for additional consultants and staff resources to support the District's expanding power-related functions.

Item 5. Outside Agency Activities

Family Farm Alliance

No report provided.

San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority

Mr. Freeman updated the Board on San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (SLDMWA), on operations, legislative activities, and strategic initiatives. Key discussion items included the Delta-Mendota Canal subsidence correction project, upcoming Reclamation allocation workshops, current pumping plant operations, and development of the Central Valley Project Performance Framework, which is intended to improve reliability, affordability, accountability, water supply resilience, environmental stewardship, and adaptive governance.

Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA)

Mr. Freeman updated the Board on Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) activities. He noted that ACWA is developing its Vision for Water Future initiative and that the Region 6/7 tour of Westlands is scheduled for October 9. The tour will highlight subsidence along the San Luis Canal, ASR efforts, solar development, desalination and on-farm recycling projects, and the Pleasant Valley Pumping Plan. ACWA is also forming a working group to engage with DWR on the California Water Plan Update and implementation of SB 72, with emphasis on recognizing conservation and other water management efforts in measuring progress toward future water supply objectives.

Central Valley Project Water Association (CVPWA)

Mr. Farmer provided the Board with a brief update on CVPWA, noting that the directors met the previous week and discussed opportunities to strengthen collaboration with the Bureau. Given reduced staffing capacity at the Bureau, CVPWA views this as an opportunity to help guide improvements to financial and water-use data input systems, an effort the Bureau has welcomed, resulting in a more streamlined water-use tracking and billing process.

Power and Water Resources Pooling Authority

Ms. Campbell announced to the Board that the next PWRPA Board meeting is scheduled for October 7 at 9:00 a.m. at the Fresno District Office.

San Joaquin Valley Blueprint

Mr. Freeman provided an update on the San Joaquin Valley Blueprint initiative, noting that the SJV Blueprint working group will meet next week to review and refine its strategic plan based on feedback received regarding the Unified Water Plan.

Item 6. Valley Clean Infrastructure Plan

Item 6.a. VCIP Transmission Infrastructure Activities

Mr. Gutierrez updated the Board on the Valley Clean Infrastructure Plan (VCIP), reporting that staff and consultants are finalizing the Cluster Study Plan, which evaluates how the generation and battery energy storage projects submitted by the 18 applicants will interconnect with and integrate into the CAISO transmission system. He noted that the study plan is being developed in accordance with CAISO requirements and will be incorporated into a Cluster Study Plan Agreement with each of the 18 applicants. Mr. Freeman added that the District executed three additional option agreements during the past month with holding companies that participated in the limited auction conducted earlier this year. He also noted that staff is working to finalize an additional option agreement with Origis, which is expected to be reviewed this week and available for execution next week. In addition, staff have begun outreach to landowners along the

proposed transmission corridor regarding the potential acquisition of easements needed to construct VCIP infrastructure on private property and the benefits to landowners participating in it.

Item 6.b. Board to Receive an Update on Community Benefits Plan Activities

Ms. Febbo reported that Community Benefits planning is underway, with outreach efforts beginning with local cities, the County, and community members. Recent community outreach meetings were held to help inform a needs assessment and development of the plan. Staff also reported that contracts have been executed with Recurrent and Clearway holding companies, with due diligence activities now underway. In addition, outreach continues with landowners regarding needed property interests and easements for transmission facilities, and a landowner meeting is scheduled for October 19.

Director Diener left the meeting at 10:24 a.m.

Item 7. Finance and Administration Committee

Item 7.a. Board of Directors to Consider Investment and Financial Reports.

Mr. Dix requested that the Board approve the August 2026 financial reports. The reports cover investments, budget performance, debt service, and grant activity. Investment yields were approximately 3.7% to 4.1%, with interest earnings on track to meet the fiscal year (2026–2027) budget. Revenues are trending toward budget expectations despite lower agricultural water sales, while expenses are slightly above August 2025 levels because of higher power and supplemental water costs. September bond payments were completed, \$291,848 in desalination grant funds were expensed in August 2026, and no reimbursement requests were submitted.

Director Hughes moved to approve Item 7a, Director Fortune seconded the motion, and there were no public comments. The Board of Directors approved Item 7a, with the vote as follows:

Ayes: Fortune, Coelho, Franson, Hughes, Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: Diener, Costamagna, Bourdeau, Ferguson

Item 7.b. Board of Directors to Receive a Quarterly Consultants Update.

Mr. Dix updated the Board of Directors on the District's Quarterly Consultants Report and advised that an itemized summary of consultant expenditures was included in the Board packet for the Board's review and awareness.

Item 7.c. Board of Directors to Consider Approval of the Engineer's Report for the Proposed Special Benefit Assessment Update, Adopt Resolution No. 118-26 Setting a Proposition 218 Public Hearing and Assessment Ballot Proceeding for December 15, 2026, and Authorize Staff to Undertake All Actions Necessary to Conduct the Election Process

Mr. Dix requested that the Board approve the Engineer's Report for the District's proposed Special Benefit Assessment update, which would continue the existing delivery-based methodology and recover eligible operations, maintenance, regulatory, and debt-service costs through the assessment. The proposed assessment would generate approximately \$38.8 million in fiscal year 2027-2028 and establish maximum assessment rates of \$83.68 per acre for lands eligible for a Priority CVP allocation and \$17.46 per acre for lands eligible only for Other Water Supplies.

During discussion, Directors expressed concern that the proposed assessment rates may not generate sufficient revenue to fully fund golden mussel treatment costs. The Board requested that staff reevaluate the proposed treatment approach and develop revised cost estimates that fully account for anticipated treatment expenses. Ms. Febbo directed staff to return with a comprehensive analysis identifying the laterals requiring treatment, along with a detailed cost projection and funding outlook for the next five to ten years.

Director Coelho moved to approve a modified motion for Item 7c, consisting of conditional approval of the Engineer's Report, subject to staff revising the proposed golden mussel

treatment approach to ensure that anticipated treatment costs are adequately funded through the proposed assessment rates. The motion also included approval of Resolution No. 118-26, setting the Proposition 218 public hearing and assessment ballot proceeding for December 15, 2026, and authorizing staff to undertake all actions necessary to conduct the election process. Director Hughes seconded the motion. There were no public comments. The Board of Directors approved Item 7c, as modified, with the vote as follows:

Ayes: Fortune, Coelho, Franson, Hughes, Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: Diener, Bourdeau, Costamagna, Ferguson

Item 7.d. Board of Directors to Consider Accepting the Westlands Water District Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and Financial Statements

Mr. Dix requested the Board of Directors accept the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 financial report and audited statements. The report presents the District's inaugural ACFR and key financial results. Richardson Company LLP issued an unmodified opinion on statements covering March 1, 2025, through February 28, 2026; total assets rose 14 percent, liabilities fell 9.1 percent, and net position increased by \$152.9 million. The ACFR compares Fiscal Years 2025 and 2026. Capital-asset investment increased \$28.8 million, operating revenues rose approximately 2 percent, and operating expenses increased 16 percent.

Director Hughes moved to accept Item 7d, Director Coelho seconded the motion, and there were no public comments. The Board of Directors accepted Item 7d, with the vote as follows:

Ayes: Fortune, Coelho, Franson, Hughes, Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: Diener, Ferguson, Costamagna, Bourdeau

Item 7.e. Board of Directors to Consider Designation of Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Unrestricted Net

Position to the Rate Stabilization Fund

Mr. Dix asked the Board to consider designating \$10 million from fiscal year 2025-2026 unrestricted net position to its Rate Stabilization Fund. The proposal would strengthen the fund used to stabilize water rates during periods of low water supply. The excess revenues came from higher interest earnings and miscellaneous one-time revenues identified after the fiscal year audit. The designation would increase the fund balance from \$31.7 million to \$41.7 million.

Director Coelho moved to approve Item 7e, Director Hughes seconded the motion, and there were no public comments. The Board of Directors approved Item 7e, with the vote as follows:

Ayes: Fortune, Coelho, Franson, Hughes, Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: Ferguson, Bourdeau, Diener, Costamagna

Item 7.f. Board of Directors to Consider Adopting an Amended Conflict of Interest Code for Westlands Water District Effective October 3, 2026

Mr. Farmer requested that the Board adopt an Amended Conflict of Interest Code effective October 3, 2026. The proposal responds to legal requirements and the District's biennial review. Amendments update designated positions, disclosure categories, filing requirements, and reporting obligations under Government Code section 87200 and Senate Bill 852. The Fair Political Practices Commission approved the amendment, and staff recommend adoption of Article 13.

Director Coelho moved to approve Item 7f, Director Hughes seconded the motion, and there were no public comments. The Board of Directors approved Item 7f, with the vote as follows:

Ayes: Fortune, Franson, Hughes, Anderson, Coelho

Nays: None

Absent: Diener, Ferguson, Bourdeau, Costamagna

Item 3d. Adopting a Revised Policy for Statement of Investment

Mr. Dix requested the Board adopt a Revised Investment Policy. The proposal updates the District's investment framework for compliance and prudent public-fund management.

Revisions address authorized investments, diversification, credit-risk monitoring, maturity, custody, internal controls, ethics, reporting, and adviser oversight.

Director Coelho moved to approve Item 3d, Director Hughes seconded the motion, and there were no public comments. The Board of Directors approved Item 3d, with the vote as follows:

Ayes: Fortune, Franson, Hughes, Anderson, Coelho

Nays: None

Absent: Diener, Ferguson, Bourdeau, Costamagna

Item 8. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

Item 8.a. Board of Directors to Receive an Update and/or provide Input on Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Implementation/Compliance Activities, including Actions to Implement the Groundwater Sustainability Plan.

Mr. Solorio updated the Board on the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and ongoing efforts to achieve Groundwater Sustainability Plan goals, including refining subsidence-prone areas. Recent work focused on groundwater monitoring, recharge planning, and compliance activities. Landowners pumped 27,000 AF in August, while staff updated groundwater elevation data and the SGMA Monitoring Network. Staff will advance recharge projects, revise subsidence-prone areas and monitoring plans, conduct fall monitoring, add subsidence benchmarks, and perform cone penetration testing. The next Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee (AC/TAC) meeting is scheduled for February 22, 2027.

Item 9. Board of Directors to Consider Adopting Resolution 119-26, In Commendation of Alwin Acuna

Mr. Farmer requested the Board of Directors to Adopt Resolution No. 119-26 in commendation of Alwin Acuna for his dedicated years of service to the District. He

recognized Mr. Acuna's many contributions throughout his career and noted that his hard work, professionalism, and positive presence will be greatly missed by all who had the privilege of working with him.

Director Hughes moved to approve Item 9, Director Coelho seconded the motion, and there were no public comments. The Board of Directors approved Item 9, with the vote as follows:

Ayes: Fortune, Coelho, Franson, Hughes, Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: Diener, Ferguson, Bourdeau, Costamagna

Item 10. Public Comment

President Fortune asked for public comment; however, none were offered.

Item 11. Closed Session

Mr. Slater announced the basis for the Closed Session, as identified in the agenda. Prior to moving into Closed Session, Mr. Slater asked for public comments; however, none were given. The Board moved into Closed Session at 11:27 a.m.

Item 12. Report from Closed Session, if any, Required by Government Code Section 54957.1

The Board reconvened in open session at 12:54 p.m. Mr. Slater reported that, during Closed Session, the Board conferred with Legal Counsel and took no reportable action. No public comments were offered.

Public Comment

President Fortune asked for public comments; however, none were offered.

Item 13. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:57 p.m.

Stephen Farmer, Assistant Secretary

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A 0677	FRANCHISE TAX BOARD	215.00		PAYROLL RELATED
A 1161	UNITED CONCORDIA INSURANCE	9,360.90		DENTAL INSURANCE
A 1550	OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL	3,672.00		PAYROLL RELATED
A 1550	OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL	1,584.00		PAYROLL RELATED
A 1690	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES'	85,290.70		PAYROLL RELATED-ACH
C 0019	AT&T	240.19		INTERNET SERVICE
C 0070	ADVANCED GRID STRATEGIES	4,143.75		CONSULTING SERVICES
C 0162	AIRGAS USA, LLC	205.89		FIRE EXTINGUISHER
C 0320	REXEL USA, INC	1,832.03		ELECTRICAL BOX ENCLOSURE
C 0429	A-MEZZ INDUSTRIAL STRUCTURES	3,724.70		20 FOOT LADDER
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	33.46		STAINLESS STEEL ZIP TIES
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	669.62		HAND TOOLS KIT & MICROFIBER TOWELS
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	56.07		SET UP WEDGES
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	343.47		MULTI USER ACCESS LOCKING SYSTEM
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	45.65		GUARDAIR SAFETY AIR GUN
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	731.82		LAPTOP DOCKING STATIONS & HEADSETS
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	23.89		WIRE WHEEL & RAZOR BLADES
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	29.17		HEADPHONE STAND & COFFE CUP SLEEVES
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	195.00		TRAILER HITCH BALL MOUNT
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	10.72		VINYL TUBING
C 0569	VESTIS	2,474.42		UNIFORM SERVICE
C 0846	ATLAS-SSI, INC	2,405.87		SHIELD PLATE & PLATE ASSEMBLIES
C 0857	AT&T	33.04		PHONE CHARGES-BOLLIBOKKA
C 0858	AT&T	58.20		PHONE CHARGES-BOLLIBOKKA
C 0862	AT&T	25.80		PHONE CHARGES-WEATHER STATION
C 0863	AT&T	25.80		PHONE CHARGES-PVPP
C 0878	AT&T MOBILITY	1,574.26		WIRELESS DATA SERVICE-TABLETS
C 0991	BSK & ASSOCIATES INC	890.00		WATER TESTING
C 1425	BICKER, CASTILLO & FAIRBANKS	25,000.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
C 1510	BILL & TED'S EXCELLENT SERVICE	687.00		QUARTERLY LAWN SERVICE
C 1682	BLUE TECH WATER	22,063.69		GOLDEN MUSSEL TREATMENT
C 1682	BLUE TECH WATER	20,043.31		GOLDEN MUSSEL TREATMENT
C 1682	BLUE TECH WATER	25,757.88		GOLDEN MUSSEL TREATMENT
C 1682	BLUE TECH WATER	8,721.43		GOLDEN MUSSEL TREATMENT
C 1682	BLUE TECH WATER	16,904.43		GOLDEN MUSSEL TREATMENT
C 1905	COASTLINE EQUIPMENT	8,248.13		MAIN BOOM RENTAL
C 2254	THE BUSINESS JOURNAL	7,326.00		PUBLIC NOTICE
C 2512	CAL NORTH FORESTRY	3,400.00		BRUSH CLEARING-BOLLIBOKKA
C 2978	CALPERS	350.00		GASB 68 REPORTING SERVICES-ACH
C 3519	CENTRAL VALLEY BUSINESS FED	5,000.00		MEMBERSHIP DUES
C 3761	CITY OF FRESNO	287.63		UTILITY BILLING-CROMWELL
C 3921	COFFEE BREAK SERVICE INC	224.70		COFFEE-FPSFO
C 3936	THE SENTINEL	3,055.51		PUBLIC NOTICE
C 3940	COMCAST	266.90		INTERNET/TV/VOICE-CROMWELL
C 4834	DELLAVALLE LABORATORY, INC	7,336.00		WATER QUALITY TESTING
C 4834	DELLAVALLE LABORATORY, INC	2,707.00		WATER QUALITY TESTING
C 5492	EL DORADO IRRIGATION DIST	505,200.00		WATER PURCHASES
C 5510	ELECTRIC MOTOR SHOP, INC.	81.02		TERMINAL BLOCKS
C 6216	CAITLIN FIKE	1,700.00		LIVESTOCK DISPOSAL
C 6740	FRESNO COUNTY TREASURER	84.15		ASSESSMENT ROLL UPDATE

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C 6900	FRESNO COUNTY RECORDER	20.00		FILING FEES
C 6900	FRESNO COUNTY RECORDER	40.00		FILING FEES
C 7121	FERGUSON INDUSTRIAL #1430	2,325.24		FLANGE REDUCERS
C 7121	FERGUSON INDUSTRIAL #1430	925.78		FLANGE REDUCERS
C 7121	FERGUSON INDUSTRIAL #1430	3,332.49		STEEL FLANGES & COMPANIONS
C 7365	GFT INFRASTRUCTURE, INC	850.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
C 7365	GFT INFRASTRUCTURE, INC	2,661.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
C 7567	GEORGETOWN DIVIDE P.U.D.	325,000.00		WATER PURCHASES-SP CK
C 8340	GRAYBAR ELECTRIC CO. INC.	985.81		FUSES
C 8621	THE HALLMARK GROUP	4,464.50		CONSULTING SERVICES
C 8890	HAVEN'S SECURITY INC	3,875.00		SECURITY SYSTEM LABOR
C 9040	HERCULES INDUSTRIES, INC.	1,498.80		KEYED PADLOCKS
C 9245	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE	581.84		CORDLESS WET/DRY VACUUM
C 9245	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE	55.31		OUTLET COVERS
C 9635	INTRINSYX ENVIRONMENTAL	4,935.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
C 9747	INSIGHT EMPLOYEE	224.20		MONTHLY BILLING
C 9749	IN-SITU INC	200.00		SUBSCRIPTION-PRO CELLULAR
C 9840	GEIL ENTERPRISES INC	2,727.00		JANITORIAL SERVICES-SEPT
C 9840	GEIL ENTERPRISES INC	2,727.00		JANITORIAL SERVICES-JUNE
D 0435	KINGS COUNTY ASSESSOR	120.00		OWNERSHIP UPDATE
D 0444	KINGS COUNTY TREASURER	9,799.42		WATER PURCHASES
D 0450	KINGS COUNTY GLASS	410.00		WINDSHIELD REPLACEMENT
D 0835	LAUGENOUR AND MEIKLE	11,471.80		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 0840	LGG INDUSTRIAL, INC	2,884.33		GASKETS
D 1239	LUHDORFF & SCALMANINI	4,704.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 1239	LUHDORFF & SCALMANINI	570.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 1280	MBK ENGINEERS	1,575.50		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 1295	MKN & ASSOCIATES	22,203.50		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 1686	MRC GLOBAL	22,882.06		BALL VALVE KITS
D 1686	MRC GLOBAL	(22,882.06)		VALVE BALL KITS-RETURN
D 2042	MLJ ENVIRONMENTAL	70.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 2042	MLJ ENVIRONMENTAL	45,141.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 2042	MLJ ENVIRONMENTAL	9,553.25		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 2042	MLJ ENVIRONMENTAL	780.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 2060	MID-VALLEY DISTRIBUTORS	471.14		REPLENISH NUTS, BOLTS, SCREWS
D 2060	MID-VALLEY DISTRIBUTORS	1,030.50		REPLENISH NUTS, BOLTS, SCREWS
D 2130	MITCHELL TEST & SAFETY INC	968.92		INSULATED HIGH VOLTAGE GLOVES
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	37.28		WIPER BLADES
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	43.79		INSECT WASH
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	15.61		WIPER BLADE
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	24.46		V-BELT
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	73.37		V-BELTS
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	53.12		TIRE REPAIR INSERTS
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	588.51		ADHESIVE SPRAY, OIL FILTERS, COUPLERS
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	114.45		SAFETY FLAGS
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	(22.89)		SAFETY FLAGS-RETURN
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	279.05		TPMS SENSORS
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	69.23		HUB CAPS
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	52.66		OIL & OIL FILTERS
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	75.67		OIL FILTERS

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D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	194.32		OIL FILTERS, BRAKE PADS & ROTOR
D 2680	NEW ENGLAND SHEET METAL	2,042.00		PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE-FPSFO
D 2680	NEW ENGLAND SHEET METAL	215.02		FILTERS FOR OM SERVICE-FPSFO
D 2680	NEW ENGLAND SHEET METAL	1,499.05		ICE MACHINE PM SERVICE-FPSFO
D 2989	OUTFITTER SATELLITE INC	190.35		SATELLITE PHONE SERVICE
D 3105	PG&E	14.03		ASR STAR WELL
D 3105	PG&E	75.17		STAR ASR LIGHTING
D 3235	PATTON AIR CONDITIONING	445.00		HVAC MAINTENANCE
D 3252	PAYCHEX	378.65		ESR SERVICE
D 3535	PLACER COUNTY WATER	1,292,322.66		WATER PURCHASES
D 3660	LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT INC	213.79		WELDING WIRE
D 3678	PRICELESS KREATIONS, INC	90.00		EMBROIDERY SERVICE
D 3768	QUADIENT FINANCE USA INC	3,000.00		POSTAGE CHARGES
D 4570	RHIZO MEDIA	3,046.45		SCIENCE PROGRAM SUPPORT
D 5242	SAN LUIS & DELTA-MENDOTA	8,105,500.00		WATER PURCHASES-WIRE
D 5242	SAN LUIS & DELTA-MENDOTA	866,827.48		WATER PURCHASES-WIRE
D 5565	SEQUOIA PUMPING INC	700.00		SEPTIC TANK PUMPING
D 5610	SHN CONSULTING ENGINEERS	3,500.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 5610	SHN CONSULTING ENGINEERS	1,712.50		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 6078	SOUTHWEST VALVE, LLC	9,310.06		BUTTERFLY VALVES
D 6078	SOUTHWEST VALVE, LLC	21,723.47		BUTTERFLY VALVES
D 6174	STAPLES, INC	168.63		INK CARTRIDGE
D 6174	STAPLES, INC	375.81		TISSUE, LEGAL PADS, CORRECTION TAPE
D 6174	STAPLES, INC	175.07		FOLDER FILES
D 6420	STRAETER AG SERVICES	32,582.29		LAND DISKING
D 6699	TABES CONSULTING, LLC	712.50		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 6699	TABES CONSULTING, LLC	862.50		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 6990	TECHNOFLO SYSTEMS	80,333.40		UPFLOW TEE TUBE METERS
D 6990	TECHNOFLO SYSTEMS	9,062.99		CLAMP ON SADDLE METERS
D 6990	TECHNOFLO SYSTEMS	90,457.14		CLAMP ON SADDLE METERS
D 7454	TOPSYDE	3,600.00		WEB ADA COMPLIANCE
D 7533	TRIMARK ASSOCIATES, INC.	7,547.30		METER INSTALL & SITE VISIT
D 7635	TULARE LAKE BASIN	1,612.04		ADMINISTRATIVE FEES
D 7662	UES PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	5,000.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 8078	UTILITY SYSTEM EFFICIENCIES	19,800.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 8658	VERIZON WIRELESS	1,975.13		WIRELESS DATA SERVICE & EQUIPMENT
D 8742	VISTA CONSULTING, INC	23,000.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 9350	WEST ENERGY GRID	7,762.50		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 9971	CERESCOLLAB, LLC	15,478.52		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 9983	ZORO TOOLS INC	56.89		ANTI-SEIZE BRUSH TOP CAN
D 9983	ZORO TOOLS INC	100.29		OUTRIGGER PAD
D 9983	ZORO TOOLS INC	1,974.57		RUST SPRAY & SAFETY GLASSES
D 9983	ZORO TOOLS INC	598.12		RADIAL BALL BEARINGS
D 9983	ZORO TOOLS INC	26.73		PAINT ROLLER HANDLES
D 9983	ZORO TOOLS INC	1,230.03		ELECTRICAL DEGREASER
L 0200	DALE GIES	64.60		EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT
L 0465	CHUCK SERRANO	10.00		EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT
L 1154	JUAN JAIMES	68.40		EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT
L 1206	WEBSTER ALFONSO	356.46		EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT
L 1218	ALAN ROSENTHAL	957.35		EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

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L 1218	ALAN ROSENTHAL	852.99		EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT
L 1226	JACOB SMITH	1,654.64		EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT
L 1227	LUIS ANDRADE	52.74		EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT
	ROYAL PACKING CO	719.56		WATER USER REFUND
	J YRIBARREN FARMS	7,147.98		WATER USER REFUND
	DANIEL JACKSON	6,397.22		WATER USER REFUND
		<u>11,890,701.23</u>	<u>0.00</u>	

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A 0677	FRANCHISE TAX BOARD	215.00		PAYROLL RELATED
A 0677	FRANCHISE TAX BOARD	586.00		PAYROLL RELATED
A 1100	EYEMED	160.65		VISION INSURANCE PREMIUMS
A 1100	EYEMED	8.10		VISION INSURANCE PREMIUMS - COBRA
A 1101	EYEMED - CLAIMS	2,115.56		VISION INSURANCE CLAIMS
A 1160	GUARDIAN	4,469.89		LIFE INSURANCE
A 1160	GUARDIAN	6,029.70		DISABILITY INSURANCE
A 1690	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES'	84,849.95		PAYROLL RELATED-ACH
A 1695	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES'	168,097.95		PAYROLL RELATED - ACH
A 1695	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES'	17,982.00		PAYROLL RELATED - ACH
A 1695	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES'	7,341.18		PAYROLL RELATED - ACH
C 0162	AIRGAS USA, LLC	86.20		LEATHER GLOVES
C 0320	REXEL USA, INC	9.21		COVER FOR DUPLEX RECEPTACLE
C 0450	ASCE-AMERICAN SOCIETY	337.00		ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	472.38		SVC KIT & HEAVY DUTY TRAILER JACK
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	151.14		RAZOR WIRE FENCING
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	24.10		CAUTION SIGNS
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	149.52		SEPTIC TANK TREATMENT TABS
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	152.78	0.81	TURNBUCKLES, CARABINERS, CABLES
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	31.13		COMPLRESSED CANNED AIR
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	625.70		IPAD CASES & SCREEN PROTECTORS
C 0461	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC	29.81		INTEROFFICE ENVELOPES
C 0893	AUTOMATED OFFICE SYSTEMS	170.18		COPIER LEASE/CHGS-IM4000
C 0965	B&H PHOTO-VIDEO	1,080.40		BASE TRANSCEIVERS
C 0969	BLX GROUP, LLC	500.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
C 0991	BSK & ASSOCIATES INC	544.15		WATER TESTING
C 1375	THE BERNHARDT GROUP, LLC	71,750.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
C 1619	BLAIR, CHURCH & FLYNN	1,168.50		CONSULTING SERVICES
C 1682	BLUE TECH WATER	13,281.69		GOLDEN MUSSEL TREATMENT
C 1682	BLUE TECH WATER	4,288.42		GOLDEN MUSSEL TREATMENT
C 1996	BROWNSTEIN, HYATT, FARBER,	25,000.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
C 2860	555 CAP PARTNERS, LP	7,517.76		RENT SACRAMENTO OFFICE
C 2875	CARAHSOFT TECHNOLOGY	19.93		ZOOM OVERAGES
C 3040	FLEXTG	51.22		COPIER CHARGES-E60055dn
C 3040	FLEXTG	93.18		COPIER CHARGES-E55040dn
C 3152	DENNIS CARDOZA CONSULTING	10,000.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
C 3520	CENTRAL VALLEY BUS. FORMS	834.54		DVI BOOKS
C 3530	CENTRAL VALLEY GPS, INC	3,049.80		SPIREON TRACKING
C 3750	CITIZENS BUSINESS BANK	607.19		ACCOUNT ANALYSIS FEES-AUG 2026 - ACH
C 3921	COFFEE BREAK SERVICE INC	369.50		COFFEE - FPSFO
C 3993	CONSOLIDATED ELECTRICAL	188.85		SWIVEL MOUNT PHOTO CONTROL
C 4380	COOK'S COMMUNICATIONS	546.25		RADIO INSTALLATION PARTS & LABOR
C 4380	COOK'S COMMUNICATIONS	512.23		RADIO INSTALLATION PARTS & LABOR
C 4490	CRIDER PUBLIC RELATIONS	2,550.00		HISTORY BOOK PROJECT
C 4834	DELLAVALLE LABORATORY, INC	1,349.00		WATER QUALITY TESTING
C 4834	DELLAVALLE LABORATORY, INC	1,563.00		WATER QUALITY TESTING
C 4835	DE LAGE LANDEN FIN. SER.	207.23		COPIER LEASE-KON MINOLTA 808
C 4835	DE LAGE LANDEN FIN. SER.	294.40		COPIER LEASE-LJET X57945dn & X55745dn
C 4835	DE LAGE LANDEN FIN. SER.	438.57		COPIER LEASE-KON MINOLTA C450i

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C 4835	DE LAGE LANDEN FIN. SER.	203.49		COPIER LEASE-KON MINOLTA 808
C 5176	DUDEK	1,575.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
C 5482	ELBERT DISTRIBUTING	1,227.81		CLEANER CARBON
C 5510	ELECTRIC MOTOR SHOP, INC.	81.02		TERMINAL BLOCKS
C 5848	EXPONENTIAL POWER INC	484.57		CAP REPLACEMENT
C 6211	FERNANDEZ GOVERNMENT	15,000.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
C 6212	FIBER GLASS SYSTEMS, LP	51,126.12		PIPES
C 6233	FIRST CHOICE COFFEE SERVICES	332.75		COFFEE - FRESNO
C 7121	FERGUSON INDUSTRIAL	4,583.95		VAULT VALVES, STEEL PIPES, BUSHINGS
C 7121	FERGUSON INDUSTRIAL	8,183.25		PVC & STEEL PIPES
C 7121	FERGUSON INDUSTRIAL	306.63		REDUCERS
C 7365	GFT INFRASTRUCTURE, INC	3,812.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
C 8150	GRAINGER, INC.	873.95		OVERLOAD RELAYS
C 8150	GRAINGER, INC.	2,740.41		AEROSOL DEGREASER
C 8745	HARBOR FREIGHT TOOLS, INC.	173.34		MECHANICS ROLLER SEAT
C 9747	INSIGHT EMPLOYEE	224.20		MONTHLY BILLING
C 9800	IRON MOUNTAIN INC	724.78		STORAGE CHARGES
C 9940	JORGENSEN & COMPANY, INC.	125.08		LEATHER GLOVES
C 9940	JORGENSEN & COMPANY, INC.	178.78		CALIBRATON GAS
C 9940	JORGENSEN & COMPANY, INC.	178.78		CALIBRATION GAS
D 0572	KROEKER, INC.	200.00		BOX RENTAL-SEPTEMBER
D 0815	LANG, HANSEN, GIROUX & KIDANE	10,000.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 0820	LANGSTRAAT FARMS, INC	40,417.92		LAND DISKING
D 1089	LITHIA FORD LINCOLN OF FRESNO	28.68		FUEL CAP
D 1099	LIVE OAK ASSOCIATES, INC	2,365.88		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 1239	LUHDORFF & SCALMANINI	6,322.55		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 1624	MATSON ALARM CO INC	169.95		ALARM SERVICE-CROMWELL
D 2060	MID-VALLEY DISTRIBUTORS	523.81		REPLENISH NUTS, BOLTS, SCREWS
D 2060	MID-VALLEY DISTRIBUTORS	149.15		SOCKET HEAD CAP SCREWS
D 2060	MID-VALLEY DISTRIBUTORS	846.09		REPLENISH NUTS, BOLTS, SCREWS
D 2060	MID-VALLEY DISTRIBUTORS	292.61		REPLENISH NUTS, BOLTS, SCREWS
D 2485	AMPP	99.00		CERTIFICATION RENEWAL
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	190.34		THROTTLE BODY
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	(48.59)		CORE DEPOSIT-RETURN
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	18.88		AIR FILTER
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	44.15		ECH MULTI-FUNCTION
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	273.46		HOSES, HYDRAULIC OIL, SWIVEL
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	58.70		CABIN AIR FILTER
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	49.04		CAPS & RUBBER VALVES
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	22.08		AIR FILTER
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	79.03		HOSE
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	209.10		CLOCK SPRING
D 2539	NAPA WEST AUTO	281.81		DIESEL EXHAUST FLUID
D 2680	NEW ENGLAND SHEET METAL	625.00		CROMWELL SERVICE CALL
D 2681	NEW LOOK JANITORIAL SERVICES	1,175.00		JANITORIAL SERVICES - FPSFO
D 2681	NEW LOOK JANITORIAL SERVICES	375.00		JANITORIAL SERVICES - TFO
D 2681	NEW LOOK JANITORIAL SERVICES	375.00		JANITORIAL SERVICES - HFO
D 2720	NORCAL MOLECULAR, INC.	2,700.07		COMPOUND MAGMA QUARTZ
D 3100	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC	10,937.54		UTILITY BILLING - SP CK
D 3253	PAYCHEX	3,049.55		PAYROLL SERVICE

**WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
OCTOBER 20, 2026**

<u>Vend</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Invoice Amount</u>	<u>Discount Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
D 3465	PINNACLE PETROLEUM INC	47,551.04		UNLEADED FUEL
D 3580	POLITICO LLC	10,000.01		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 3683	PROFESSIONAL EXCHANGE	465.00		ANSWERING SERVICE - FPSFO
D 3684	PROFESSIONAL EXTERMINATORS	200.00		PEST CONTROL - BOLLIBOKKA
D 3686	PROVOST AND PRITCHARD	3,879.10		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 5195	SAN JOAQUIN PEST CONTROL	120.00		PEST CONTROL - CROMWELL
D 5195	SAN JOAQUIN PEST CONTROL	271.00		PEST CONTROL - FPSFO
D 5195	SAN JOAQUIN PEST CONTROL	49.00		PEST CONTROL - HFO
D 5565	SEQUOIA PUMPING INC	700.00		SEPTIC TANK PUMPING
D 5795	SIGNMAX	475.66		CUSTOM ALUMINUM SIGNS
D 6078	SOUTHWEST VALVE, LLC	9,869.96		BUTTERFLY VALVES
D 6078	SOUTHWEST VALVE, LLC	4,306.18		DISC CHECK VALVES
D 6990	TECHNOFLO SYSTEMS	13,272.29		CLAMP-ON SADDLE METERS
D 6990	TECHNOFLO SYSTEMS	90,457.14		UPFLOW TEE TUBE METERS
D 6990	TECHNOFLO SYSTEMS	62,193.60		UPFLOW TEE TUBE METERS
D 7325	ROBERT THOMAS, CPA	1,500.00		CONSULTING SERVICES
D 7679	US BANK CORP PYMT SYSTEM	264.25		MONTHLY CHGS-PERDUE - SP CK
D 7679	US BANK CORP PYMT SYSTEM	4,018.86		MONTHLY CHGS-GEN ACCT - SP CK
D 7679	US BANK CORP PYMT SYSTEM	3,372.42		MONTHLY CHGS-FEBBO - SP CK
D 7679	US BANK CORP PYMT SYSTEM	14,796.65		MONTHLY CHGS-CASTILLO - SP CK
D 7679	US BANK CORP PYMT SYSTEM	43.67		MONTHLY CHGS-FARMER - SP CK
D 7679	US BANK CORP PYMT SYSTEM	55.00		MONTHLY CHGS-LEYVA - SP CK
D 7679	US BANK CORP PYMT SYSTEM	656.26		MONTHLY CHGS-MENDEZ - SP CK
D 7679	US BANK CORP PYMT SYSTEM	2,318.16		MONTHLY CHGS-GA SUBS - SP CK
D 7679	US BANK CORP PYMT SYSTEM	133.77		MONTHLY CHGS-GUTIERREZ - SP CK
D 7679	US BANK CORP PYMT SYSTEM	606.42		MONTHLY CHGS-ACUNA - SP CK
D 7719	US BUREAU OF RECLAMATION	306,966.22		WATER PURCHASES - WIRE
D 8045	UNWIRED BROADBAND, INC	816.97		INTERNET CONNECTION - FIELD
D 8299	VALLEY IRON, INC.	308.34		WELDABLE REBAR
D 8742	VISTA CONSULTING, INC	24,500.00		CONSULTING SERVICES-VCIP
D 9150	WATSON AG IRRIGATION	158,338.58		EISIP-CASACA VINEYARDS
D 9690	WEX BANK	8,123.20		FUEL CHARGES
D 9973	ZENITH INSURANCE COMPANY	29,256.00		WORKERS' COMPENSATION PMT
D 9983	ZORO TOOLS INC	374.68		ROUND SLINGS
D 9983	ZORO TOOLS INC	447.45		CABLE TIES, SOCKET RELAY, SPRAY BOTTLES
D 9983	ZORO TOOLS INC	18.02		SELF DRILLING SCREW
D 9983	ZORO TOOLS INC	452.51		WINCH STRAPS & ROUND SLINGS
L 1088	ALEX YOUNG	300.16		EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT
L 1169	SHELLY RUIZ	301.68		EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT
L 1183	LUIS VIRAMONTES	13.52		EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT
L 1193	PEDRO GAMINO	62.02		EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT
		<u>1,417,722.44</u>	<u>0.81</u>	

Westlands Water District Board of Directors

Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2026

Item 4a

Subject:

General Manager's Report on Water Supply, Water Operations, Projected Water Supply and Use, Drainage, and Energy Activities

Strategic Plan Key Strategies:

1. Protect Central Valley Project Contract and Secure Supplemental Water Supplies
2. Enhance Groundwater Resources

Discussion:

2026-2027 Water Supply

On August 11, Reclamation increased the Central Valley Project (CVP) South of Delta (SOD) agricultural contractor's allocation from 25% to 28%.

At a 28% allocation, the District's 2026-2027 Surface Water Supply is 584,000 acre-feet (AF) for the Contract Water Year (CWY), as summarized in Attachment 1, "Available Supply and Total Estimated Use through September 2026".

Surface Water Use and Deliveries Forecast

Table 1 presents and compares the 20-year average surface water deliveries, CWY 2025-2026 actual deliveries, the 28% CWY 2026-2027 delivery forecast, which includes projected incoming water transfers, and actual surface water deliveries through February 2027.

The District's estimated surface water use in September was 40,000 AF, as shown in Table 2, which is greater than the forecasted amount for September (29,000 AF). Cumulative usage to date is about 28,000 AF above the cumulative forecast due to the abnormally high temperatures, and the resulting higher water usage, in March and September.

Table 1: Surface Water Delivery Forecast and Delivery Comparison

	Surface Water Deliveries												
	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Total
	Values in thousands of acre-feet												
20-yr avg	30.0	47.7	80.4	104.0	108.6	73.0	39.6	30.5	18.1	15.2	23.9	40.0	611.1
2025-2026	26.5	75.5	116.0	141.9	134.8	90.9	54.8	30.7	10.2	6.0	19.9	53.5	760.7
Forecast	19.0	41.0	50.4	80.2	87.0	52.0	29.0	23.0	15.5	14.0	15.3	33.5	459.9
Actual	36.6	44.5	56.1	75.5	78.2	55.5	40.0						386.4

Table 2: September Surface Water Use

Surface Water Supply Source	Amount (AF)
2026 Repayment Contract	25,214
2026 Assignment Contract	1,407
Municipal & Industrial	606
Water User Transfers In	6,208
District Transfers In	6,565
Transfer/Exchange Out	0
Total	40,000

Historically, October's average surface water use is 30,450 AF. The current average use through October 6 is 556 cubic feet per second (cfs) (1,106 AF/Day) and is expected to decline throughout the month. October deliveries are projected to be slightly above the forecasted 23,000 AF.

2026 Supplemental Water

The District received 89,676 AF in requests on 238,798 acres for the 2026-2027 Supplemental Program. The District acquired Supplemental Water from multiple sources for CWY 2026-2027 to match requests. The District allocated 82,722 AF of Supplemental Water to date, including 54,000 AF on April 30, 4,000 AF on July 20, 15,000 AF on July 23, and 9,722 AF on October 8. Future allocations will occur when the remaining 3,865 AF of Supplemental Water is pumped South of the Delta and if there is a positive adjustment to the assumed Delta Carriage Water Loss for transfers from north of Delta.

Groundwater Pumping Summary

For September 2026, Groundwater Management Plan (GWMP) wells pumped an approximately 4,300 AF and non-GWMP wells pumped approximately 15,900 AF. Total

District-wide groundwater pumping for CWY 2026-2027 is estimated at 260,000 AF at a 28% CVP SOD allocation.

Table 3: 2026-2027 Groundwater Pumping

	September (AF)	Contract Year to Date (AF)	Projections (AF)
GWMP	4,300	63,500	80,000
Non-GWMP	15,900	152,900	180,000
District-Wide Total	20,200	216,400	260,000

Project Operations

- Jones Pumping Plant (PP) began October pumping at about 4,300 cfs and was reduced to 3,600 cfs on October 11 and to 2,700 cfs on October 13. Banks PP is pumping just above 5,000 cfs.
- Shasta storage is 2,420 thousand acre-feet (TAF), 104% of average. Storage decreased by about 162 TAF compared to last month. Inflow into Shasta was between 1,800 cfs to 5,000 cfs over the last month and averaged about 3,100 cfs.
- Folsom storage was at 418 TAF, 99% of average. Storage decreased by about 35 TAF compared to last month. Folsom releases declined from 2,900 cfs in September to 2,000 cfs in October. Releases averaged 2,273 cfs over the last month.
- O'Neill pumping in October was 9 TAF with pumping at San Luis Reservoir at 25 TAF. Dos Amigos PP pumped about 56.2 TAF total with 45 TAF pumping for the State.
- The Sacramento Valley received 0.0 inches of precipitation during October. Accumulated precipitation for the water year totaled 0 inches, which is 0% of the 30-year average.

San Luis Reservoir Operations

The CVP share of San Luis Reservoir (SLR) storage is approximately 484 TAF with an average increase of about 1.6 TAF per day over the last month. Reclamation's end-of-September 90% exceedance is forecasting 380 TAF will remain in the SLR at the end of

October. Actual storage may be higher as end-of-September storage was about 50 TAF greater than forecast.

Reclamation's 90% end-of-September Exceedance forecast indicates that CVP SLR will decline through November to 338 TAF and storage will start to fill in December.

Water Quality

Table 4: CVP Water Quality

Location	Electro Conductivity (EC)	Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)	pH
Clifton Court (Jones)	345 uS/cm	198 mg/L	7.8
SLC Check 13 (O'Neill)	341 uS/cm	196 mg/L	7.8
SLC Check 21 (Kettleman)	336 uS/cm	193 mg/L	8.0

Proposed Motion:

No proposed motion.

Recommendation:

None.

Attachment:

- 1 – Available Water Supply and Total Estimated Use through September 2026
- 2 – Exceedance Hydrology Charts

ITEM: 4.a. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

SUBJECT: Water Use and Supply - - 2026-2027 Water Year

DISCUSSION: Available Supply and Total Estimated Use Through September 2026

AVAILABLE SUPPLY	CURRENT MONTH (AF)	2026-2027 Y-T-D (AF)	2026-2027 TOTAL SUPPLY (AF) [5]	2026-2027 FORECAST (AF)	2025-2026 Totals (AF)	2016-2025 Averages (AF)
WATER YEAR ALLOCATION		28%	28%	28%	55%	46%
REPAYMENT CONTRACT - AG [1]	25,080	158,404	321,212	321,212	625,763	510,764
RESCHEDULED CONTRACT [4]	0	113,775	113,775	113,775	113,901	78,008
ASSIGNMENT: DD#1 / DD#2 /MERCY SPRINGS/ ORO LOMA / BROADVIEW [3]	1,407	8,450	13,145	13,145	25,822	
RESCHEDULED 2025/26 ASSIGNMENT [3]	0	4,695	4,695	4,695	4,069	
CONTRACT - INCIDENTAL NON - AG M & I [2]	606	2,649	4,886	4,886	4,016	
2026 Yuba Stored	0	0	9,548	9,548	0	
2026 PCWA Stored	0	0	12,036	12,350	0	
2026 El Dorado ID Stored	0	0	3,087	3,087	0	
2026 Georgetown Divide PUD	0	0	1,594	2,007	0	
2026 Foresthill PUD	0	0	1,235	1,235	0	
2025 Yuba Stored	0	354	354	354	364	
CONTRACT AND STORED CARRYOVER	27,093	288,327	485,568	486,294	773,631	680,382
DISTRICT SUPPLEMENTAL & WATER USER TRANSFERS (net) [6]	13,894	99,163	99,517	122,000	121,075	
DISTRIBUTION INTEGRATION PROGRAM (DIP)	0	0	0	0	0	
GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (GWMP)	4,340	63,530	63,530	120,000	12,570	
CANAL INTEGRATION PROGRAM (CIP)	0	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL SUPPLY	45,327	451,020	648,615	728,294	907,276	891,421
CONTRACT CUSHION			-6,000	-6,000	0	
OTHER CUSHION						
TOTAL AVAILABLE SUPPLY	45,327	451,020	642,615	722,294	907,276	919,667
WATER USE						
AGRICULTURAL	45,176	381,388	381,388	397,000	767,107	
GWMP	4,340	63,530	63,530	80,000	12,570	
DIP	0	0	0	0	0	
CIP (delivered)	0	0	0	0	0	
NON-AG M&I	606	2,649	2,649	4,886	4,016	
CLOSE-OUT ADJUSTMENT [7]	-4,284	5,059	5,059	0	0	
SYSTEM LOSS/(GAIN) (calculated estimate) [8]	(511)	(1,606)	(1,606)	(8,000)	(10,475)	
TOTAL USE [5]	45,327	451,020	451,020	473,886	773,218	707,536
TOTAL REMAINING SUPPLY			197,595		134,058	183,885

NOTES:

Total net cropped acreage in Westlands 2025-2026

316,550

Fallowed acreage 2025-2026

247,410

[1] 2026 CVP allocation 321,212 AF (1,150,000 AF - 2,814 AF (M&I historic use avg) X 28%).

[2] M&I: 2,195 AF Water Shortage Policy (78% historic use avg 3 years unconstrained) + 2,691 AF PHS supply = 4,886 AF.

[3] Assignment (14-06-200-8092-R5-P, 8018B-IR5-P, 3365AC-IR5-P, 7823J-LTR1-P, 7-07-20-W0055-B-IR5-P, 14-06-200-3365AB-IR5-P) allocation of 28% = 13,145 AF + 4,695 AF rescheduled 2025 Assignment Contract water.

[4] 2025 Rescheduled CVP supply 115,000 AF which includes 1,225 AF in estimated storage loss.

[5] Total Supply column includes close-out adjustment with system gain together for complete actual use.

[6] Transfer/Exchanges (In and Out): 13,894 AF in, 0 AF out.

[7] Close-Out Adjustment: Difference between DWR meter readings and WWD meter readings due to timing. WWD meters are usually read 3-5 days prior to receiving DWR readings.

[8] System Loss/(Gain): Acre-foot difference between WMIS delivery report vs. DWR delivery report.

SUBJECT: Water Use -- 2026-2027 Water Year**WATER USE :**

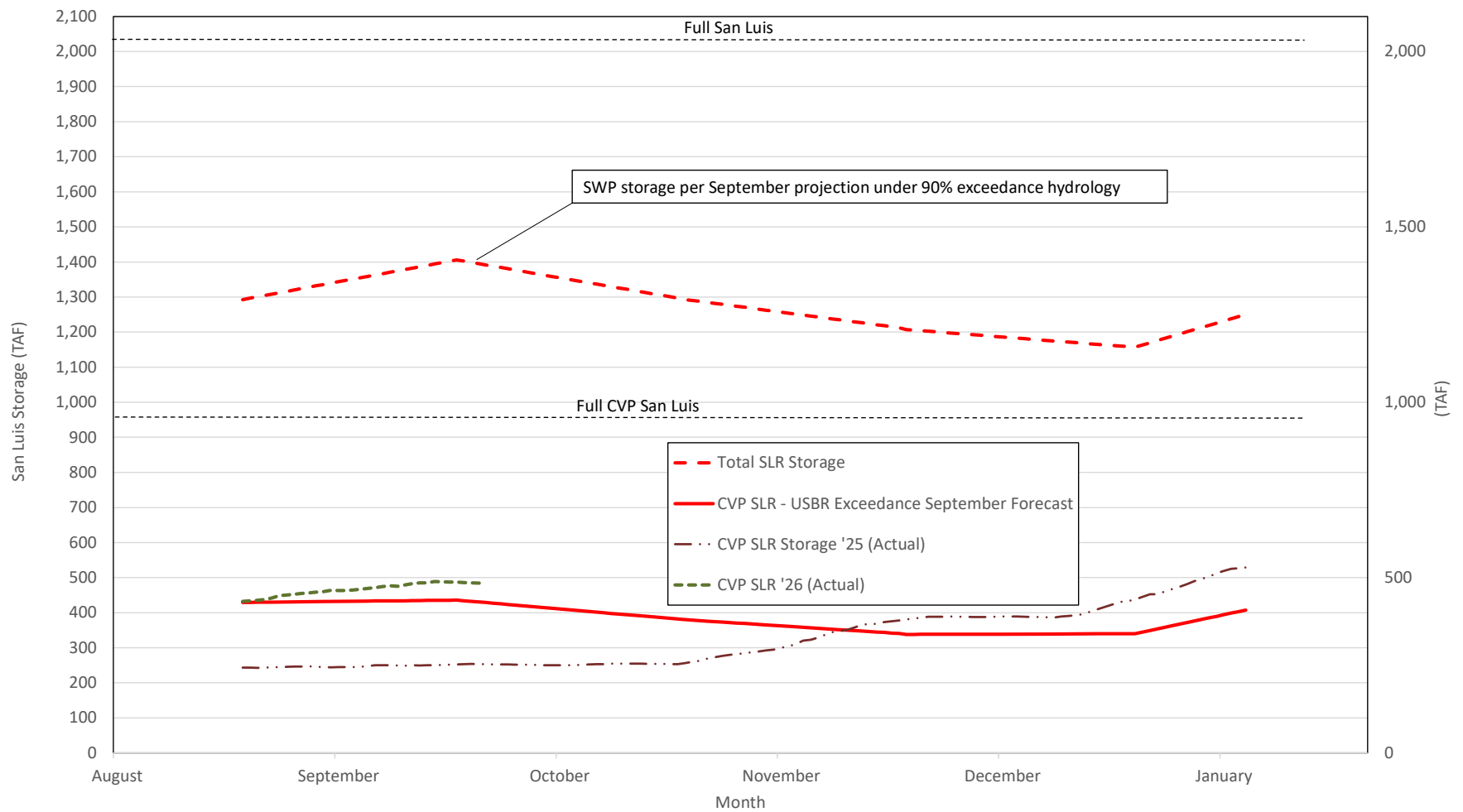
Month	Repayment Contract						GWMP (AF)	SLC,CC Conveyance Contracts (AF)	CIP (AF)	Assignment Contracts (AF) [1]	Transfer In (AF)	Transfer Out (AF)	Lat. 6 & 7 Deliveries (AF)	DIP (AF)	GWMP/DIP Combined (AF)
	Ag (AF)	3(f) Ag (AF)	215 Contract (AF)	Rescheduled (AF)	215 M&I (AF)	M&I (AF)									
March 2026	0	0	0	31,705	0	181	3,125	0	0	4,695	0	0	0	0	0
April	0	0	0	43,246	0	237	8,995	1,003	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
May	0	0	0	38,824	0	258	13,085	3,431	0	0	13,601	0	21	0	0
June	31,231	0	0	0	0	362	13,375	4,889	0	2,818	35,516	0	719	0	0
July	65,321	0	0	0	0	413	12,130	1,066	0	2,817	7,986	0	627	0	0
August	36,772	0	0	0	0	592	8,480	726	0	1,408	15,940	0	98	0	0
September	25,080	0	0	0	0	606	4,340	1,691	0	1,407	12,203	0	0	0	0
October															
November															
December															
January 2027															
February															
Totals	158,404	0	0	113,775	0	2,649	63,530	12,806	0	13,145	85,246	0	1,465	0	0

NOTES:**WATER YEAR SUMMARY**

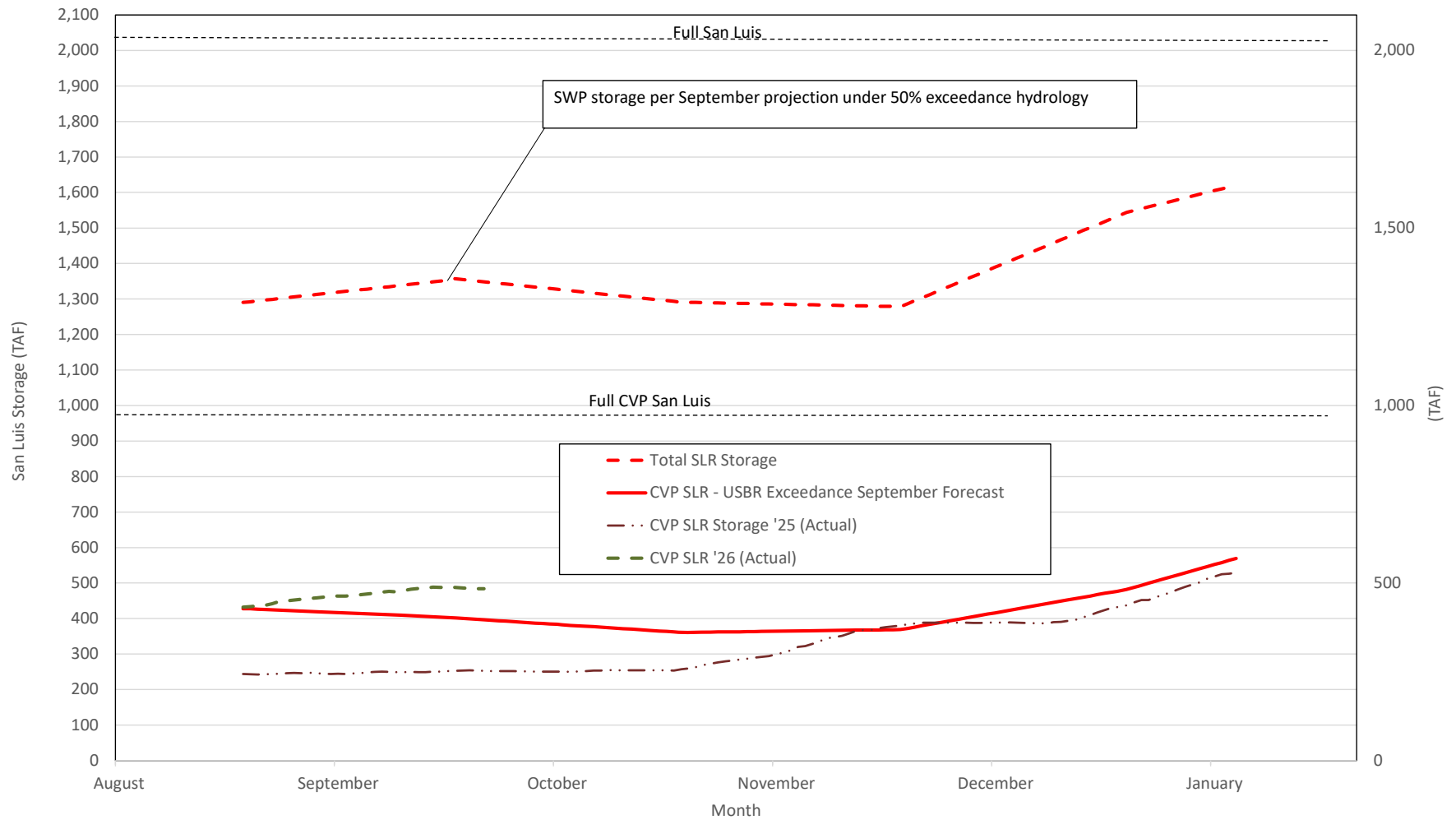
[1] 4,695 AF of 2025 Rescheduled Assignment allocation in March.

<u>USE-SUPPLY ALLOCATION</u>	
Repayment Contract	272,179
EST. DWR/USBR meter error	0
Conveyance Contracts	12,806
Transfers In	85,246
Transfers Out	0
DIP	0
GWMP	63,530
GWMP/DIP Combined	0
CIP	0
Lat 6 & 7 NP Deliveries	1,465
Assignment Contracts	13,145
M&I	2,649
SWP Kings County Table A	0
Reach 6 Kings County Deliveries	0
Excludes Transfers Out	
Total Use	452,640
<u>DELIVERY SUMMARY</u>	
Ag Total	381,388
WWD Groundwater Program (GWMP)	63,530
DIP	0
GWMP/DIP Combined	0
CIP	0
M&I	2,649
SWP Kings County Table A	
Close-out adjustment	5,059
Total Deliveries	454,246
<u>SYSTEM GAIN/(LOSS)</u>	
	AF
Quantity	1,606
Percent of Supply	0.35%

2026-27 San Luis Storage Projection
90% Exceedance Hydrology



2026-27 San Luis Storage Projection
50% Exceedance Hydrology



Westlands Water District Board of Directors

Regular Board Meeting of October 20th, 2026

Item 4b

Subject:

Board of Directors to Receive Update on Accountability Strategy for Investments in Fisheries

Strategic Plan Key Strategies:

1. Protect Central Valley Project (CVP) Contract and Secure Supplemental Water Supplies

Discussion:

The purpose of this item is for the Board of Directors (Board) to receive an update on progress for the Accountability Strategy for Investments in Fisheries, adopted by the Board at their regular meeting in September 2025. The update addresses three topic areas: (a) update on fisheries activities and potential concerns, (b) update on agency activities, and (c) update on projects and investments covered in the plan.

Fisheries Update

Winter-run egg incubation is complete. Current monitoring suggests 1.5 to 3 million juvenile winter-run will be produced—which would be among the highest production levels observed since 2010. Fall-run Chinook salmon have begun spawning in many Central Valley rivers, but abundance estimates will not be available until early 2027.

Agency Activities

At the request of Reclamation, the Delta Stewardship Council has convened an independent panel to review scientific evidence related to how South Delta exports influence juvenile salmon and steelhead. District staff have supported Reclamation in developing questions and analyses for the panel to consider. A report describing panel findings is expected in December 2026.

Accountability Strategy Updates

District staff are developing actions that can lead to "down listing" of winter-run Chinook and will contribute to eventual species recovery (delisting). Expanding and expediting winter-run reintroduction to the McCloud River is a primary focus, but actions also address improvements to the winter-run conservation hatchery. Funding for the program would be led by Reclamation but would also involve contributions from the District and other public water agencies. Partnerships are anticipated to include the Winnemem Wintu Tribe, Sacramento River Settlement Contractors, State of California, and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation with potential additional support from the National Marine Fisheries Service and private philanthropy.

Proposed Motion:

No proposed motion.

Recommendation:

Direct staff as appropriate.

Attachments:

None.

Westlands Water District Board of Directors
Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2026
Item 4c

Subject:

Board of Directors to Receive an Update on Federal and State Affairs and Legislative Matters

Strategic Plan Key Strategies:

1. Protect Central Valley Project (CVP) Contract and Secure Supplemental Water Supplies
2. Enhance Groundwater Resources
3. Prioritize Critical Infrastructure Needs
4. Cultivate Collaborative Relationships

Discussion:

The purpose of this item is for the Board of Directors (Board) to receive an update on State and Federal Affairs, including legislation.

Federal Affairs Update

Congress is working through a shortened pre-election calendar. The House canceled its remaining September legislative days and is not expected to return until the lame duck session in November and December, while the Senate was expected to finish its work in the first week of October. Continuing Resolution funding runs through December 11. The House was scheduled to vote on the Water Resources Development Act of 2026 (H.R. 9497) under suspension of the rules; the House and Senate (S. 4949) bills were each reported out of committee in July.

On September 30, Senators Capito, Lee, Whitehouse and Heinrich introduced the bipartisan American Affordability and Jobs Act of 2026, a 400-plus page permitting reform package. Provisions most relevant to Reclamation contractors include one- and two-year deadlines for NEPA environmental assessments and impact statements; shorter ESA Section 7 consultation periods (90 to 60 days) that must be completed no later than the NEPA document; a 150-day limit on court challenges under NEPA and

Clean Water Act Section 404; narrowing of Section 401 certifications to water quality; 10-year NPDES permit terms; limits on federal revocation or alteration of fully permitted projects; and streamlined Section 106 historic preservation reviews. The Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee has indicated it would welcome statements of support, and the National Water Resources Association is considering whether to provide one.

On September 16, the House Natural Resources Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries heard the Golden Mussel Eradication and Control Act of 2025 (H.R. 3717, Harder), which would authorize \$15 million annually through FY2030 for a golden mussel demonstration program, and the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee heard the Desalination Reauthorization Act (S. 5352, Padilla).

The ACWA Federal Affairs Committee met September 28, and staff recommended Support on the Doug LaMalfa Sacramento River Basin Water Security and Reliability Act (H.R. 9512, Gallagher), which would reauthorize WIIN Act Section 4007 storage funding through FY2041 and provide \$500 million over FY2028–FY2037 for Sacramento River Basin restoration, with savings clauses protecting the exchange contractors, CVPIA obligations and existing biological opinions. Staff also recommended Support for a draft western drought funding bill (Stanton) providing non-reimbursable Reclamation appropriations of \$4.5 billion in the first year, including \$3 billion for states along the Colorado River with \$1.5 billion Reclamation wide and \$2 billion for drought related projects Reclamation wide, annually for five years thereafter. The Committee meets next on December 1 in Anaheim.

Reclamation also continues to implement Secretarial Order 3446 (reducing red tape on construction projects) and Secretarial Order 3452 (expediting National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 reviews), and the Central Valley Project Water Association released its final 2026–2030 Strategic Plan.

State Affairs Update

The Governor's deadline to act on bills was September 30. Signed bills include Assembly Bill 2125 (Bennett, groundwater adjudication notice, Chapter 138), Assembly Bill 2469 (Papan, data center water use disclosures, Chapter 436) and Assembly Bill 2032 (Ransom, golden mussel response, effective immediately under an urgency clause), along with ACWA's two sponsored bills, Senate Bill 1153 (Caballero, wildfire liability and preparedness) and Assembly Bill 2180 (Ward, Proposition 218 rate setting), both effective in 2027. Vetoed bills include Senate Bill 769 (Golden State Infrastructure Corporation Act), Assembly Bill 2218 (Kalra, tribal water policy), Senate Bill 1125 (Menjivar, Water Rate Assistance Program), Assembly Bill 1894 (Rubio, golden mussels and imported groundwater replenishment) and the Ramos tribal land access bill.

Assembly Bill 2728 (Soria), the District-sponsored measure exempting de minimis groundwater extractors from certain fees, was presented to the Governor on September 4; final action has not been confirmed. Final action also remains to be confirmed on Assembly Bill 2739 (water affordability), Senate Bill 872 (Delta Levees and Canal Subsidence Fund), Assembly Bill 2568 (water district director compensation), Senate Bill 1085 (water supply planning for housing) and Senate Bill 1417 (mutual water companies), plus six other enrolled bills.

The Governor signed the state budget on June 29 and an amended version on September 18. The June budget included a one-time \$25 million General Fund allocation for the Healthy Rivers and Landscapes Program. The amended budget added Proposition 4 funding for recycled water and conveyance and restored most Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund support for the SAFER drinking water and wildfire resilience programs.

Bills signed this year generally take effect January 1, 2027, and the Legislature convenes the 2027–28 Regular Session on December 7, following the November 3 General Election. Staff will continue to monitor Proposition 4 implementation, anticipated to begin in 2027, as well as wildfire policy and Senate Bill 54 extended

producer responsibility requirements.

Regulatory Update

Staff are tracking policy, regulatory and rulemaking processes, including but not limited to the following:

The State Water Board is expected to consider adoption of the final draft updates to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Bay-Delta and the accompanying Staff Report/Substitute Environmental Document at a public meeting in October. The District continues to coordinate with the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (SLDMWA) on this matter. Comments were submitted on September 18, 2026. The State Water Board will consider adopting the final Plan and Staff report at its meeting on October 28-29, 2026.

The State Water Board Administrative Hearing Officer (AHO) for the Delta Conveyance Project (DCP) issued a procedural ruling and closing brief guidance on October 7, 2026. A follow up status conference will be scheduled for either October 15 or 19, 2026 to discuss questions and deadlines for submission. The AHO requested that DWR and Reclamation submit information about whether the DCP would impact coordinated operations of the water projects, including the need to modify D-1641 equations and the Coordinated Operations Agreement.

Reclamation is accepting comments on draft revisions to Reclamation Manual Directives and Standards WTR 11-01, which sets feasibility study requirements for large-scale water recycling projects. Comments are due October 29, 2026, and the revised requirements would apply to feasibility studies submitted after January 15, 2027.

EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers published a supplemental proposed rule on September 9 that would narrow the definition of “waters of the United States.” ACWA and the SLDMWA submitted comments on October 9, 2026.

Reclamation has posted the CVP Contractor 2025 Accountings and Draft 2027 Water Rates online.

Key State and Federal Legislative Deadlines

California State Legislature:

- November 3, 2026 – Statewide General Election.
- December 7, 2026 – Legislature convenes the 2027–28 Regular Session (Art. IV, Sec. 3(a)).
- January 1, 2027 – Statutes enacted during 2026 take effect, unless otherwise specified.

U.S. Congress (119th Congress, 2nd Session):

- November 3, 2026 – Federal General Election.
- November–December – House returns for the lame duck session.
- December 11, 2026 – Continuing resolution funding expires. FY27 appropriations bills must be enacted, or another continuing resolution passed, to avoid a lapse in federal funding.

Proposed Motion:

None

Recommendation:

Direct staff as appropriate.

Attachments:

- Federal Legislation tracker (Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, Federal Legislative Monthly Report, October 9, 2026)
- State Legislation tracker (WWD Expanded Matrix, Lang Hansen Giroux and Kidane, September 25, 2026)



DATE: October 9, 2026
TO: Westlands Water District
FROM: Ryan Smith, Shareholder
Bella Sewall, Shareholder
Annick Miller, Senior Policy Advisor
Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck

RE: Federal Legislative Monthly Report

Lawmakers Release Bipartisan Permitting Measure

On Sept. 30, negotiators released [legislative text](#) for the Bipartisan American Affordability and Jobs Act (BAAJA). The legislation contains significant changes to National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Clean Water Act (CWA), Endangered Species Act (ESA), National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and other permitting statutes—reflecting bipartisan interest in altering the federal permitting system.

The legislative calendar and upcoming elections will shape BAAJA's path forward. Both the House and Senate are currently scheduled to be out of session until Nov. 9, leaving a compressed lame-duck period to address year-end priorities. Should the elections result in a change in leadership in either chamber, outgoing leaders will likely be selective about which measures receive floor consideration. In addition, potential attendance challenges among departing members could further complicate efforts to move significant legislation before the end of the congressional session.

House Passes Water Resources Development Act of 2026

On Sept. 16, the House voted 415-9 to pass [H.R. 9497](#), the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2026.

H.R. 9497 authorizes 133 new feasibility studies for water resources infrastructure projects and authorizes construction on 14 water-related infrastructure projects. The bill also directs the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to issue a rule that establishes categorical permissions for certain harbor or river improvements that will cause only minimal adverse environmental effects.

For California, the measure includes provisions that direct USACE to include Shasta Dam in an assessment of Forecast-Informed Reservoir Operations, which could improve water management.

Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Holds Markup on Pending Legislation

On Sept. 30, the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources convened a markup to consider several bills. During the markup, the Committee advanced [S. 5352](#), the Desalination Reauthorization Act with an amendment in the nature of a substitute offered by Chairman Mike

Lee (R-UT) and Sen. Alex Padilla (D-CA). The amendment would revise the eligibility and funding framework for federal desalination programs, incorporate advanced pilot technologies into the existing desalination research program and increase the maximum grant for desalination research to institutions of higher education from \$1 million to \$2.5 million.

Sens. Schiff and Ricketts Introduce the Improving Species Recovery Act

On Sept. 30, Sens. Adam Schiff (D-CA) and Pete Ricketts (R-NE) introduced [S. 5604](#), the Improving Species Recovery Act. The measure amends the Endangered Species Act (ESA) to modernize wildlife conservation through voluntary partnerships, conservation milestones, clear and standardized demographic metrics and application of digital technology in permitting and interagency consultation.

S. 5604 directs the Secretary of the Interior/Commerce, before making a determination on whether to list a species as threatened or endangered, to establish clear demographic standards and metrics for threat alleviation when the Secretary determines that doing so would encourage voluntary conservation. The standards would be based on the best available scientific information. The Secretary would also be required to consider those standards when making the subsequent listing determination.

Upon listing a species, the Secretary would be required to establish a baseline condition for the species, including its abundance, distribution, habitat and threats status, as well as the assumptions and material data gaps underlying the determination. The bill also directs the Secretary to establish regulations within three years for evaluating voluntary conservation efforts in future delisting decisions, including whether those measures are durable and likely to remain effective.

The measure would require recovery plans to identify high-priority research questions, data gaps and objective conservation milestones for measuring progress toward recovery. Meeting specified milestones could trigger greater regulatory flexibility under ESA rules, biological opinions and permits. Species meeting conservation milestones could also receive priority for certain conservation funding.

S. 5604 would additionally require the Secretary to submit a report to Congress at least every three years on the status and recovery of listed species, including demographic trends, progress in alleviating threats, achievement of conservation milestones, effectiveness of voluntary conservation measures and outstanding data gaps.

Finally, the bill would expand the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Information for Planning and Consultation system and formally establish “determination keys” as structured frameworks for programmatic consultations. It would also require a one-year study to identify other ESA processes, reviews, or consultations that can be expedited or automated using digital technology or artificial intelligence, with a final report submitted to Congress.

EPA and USACE Propose Narrower Clean Water Act Jurisdiction

On Sept. 4, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) [announced](#) a Supplemental Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeking public comment on additional regulatory language for defining “waters of the United States” (WOTUS) under the Clean Water Act (CWA). The supplemental proposal will be considered alongside the agencies’ 2025 [proposed rule](#) as they develop a final definition intended to implement the Supreme Court’s 2023 decision in *Sackett v. EPA*. The decision limited the CWA’s application to certain relatively permanent waters and wetlands with a continuous surface connection to those waters.

The supplemental notice presents additional regulatory alternatives, including an approach that would generally limit federal jurisdiction to year-round waters and wetlands directly connected to those waters. The agencies stated that the supplemental proposal does not rule out options included in the 2025 proposal or determine the outcome of the final rule. The WOTUS definition establishes which waters are covered by certain federal CWA requirements, including Section 404 permitting.

EPA and USACE stated that the rulemaking is intended to provide greater regulatory predictability for landowners, farmers, ranchers, energy producers, technology companies, developers and small businesses while maintaining water-quality protections and recognizing state and Tribal authority over waters outside federal jurisdiction. The agencies also stated that the rulemaking is intended to reduce regulatory uncertainty and implement *Sackett*. The notice of proposed rulemaking was [published](#) Sept. 9 and the public comment period closed Oct. 9.

Coalition of 21 Attorneys General File Lawsuits To Maintain ESA Protections From Trump Administration Changes

On Sept. 9, led by California and Washington, 20 states and the District of Columbia filed two legal challenges against the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) over regulatory changes which rescinded the regulatory definition of “harm” under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). In their [complaint](#), they allege that the Harm Rule Rescission undermines the ESA’s species recovery purpose, and is contrary to statutory mandates, court precedent and the ESA’s legislative history and exceeds the agencies’ statutory jurisdiction and authority.

The [final rule](#), issued by FWS and NOAA in July, took effect on Sept. 14.

Reclamation Announces Closure of Delta Cross Channel Gate to Support Fall-Run Chinook Salmon

On Oct. 5, the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) closed the Delta Cross Channel gates to help protect adult fall-run Chinook salmon passage and maintain river flows toward the lower Mokelumne River. BOR will determine the timing of reopening based on Delta hydrologic and fisheries conditions.

Legislation Tracker

Bill	Sponsor	Summary	Introduced	Suggested Position	Latest Action
Tier 1: Bills of Greatest Interest					
H.R.337 – Groundwater Recharge Technical Assistance	Rep. Jim Costa (D-CA)	This bill modifies the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to allow unobligated balances of amounts made available to the Bureau of Reclamation for western water infrastructure to be made available to Reclamation for FY2026-2031 to provide financial or technical assistance for (1) groundwater recharge projects, (2) aquifer storage and recovery projects, or (3) water source substitution for aquifer protection projects.	1/13/2025	Watch -the bill relies on potential unobligated IIA balances that may not be available. Because this amends IIA, it is a heavy lift in the House, where this legislation was not considered bipartisan by Republicans.	1/13/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.
H.R.1897 - ESA Amendments Act of 2025	Rep. Bruce Westerman (R-AR)	Requires the Secretary of the Interior to submit to Congress a national listing work plan for listed species; allows private landowners to	3/6/2025	Watch - language includes several provisions that are beneficial for western water infrastructure. Legislation	04/20/2026 Rules hearing held. Reported to the House for consideration.

		submit candidate conservation agreements; and grants exemptions under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for incidental take permits. It also prohibits judicial review during the five-year monitoring period after a species is removed from a published list and forbids the designation of a critical habitat on private land if the landowner has implemented a land management plan that is similar to an integrated natural resources management plan.		should likely be marked-up soon. However, beyond committee action a path forward is difficult.	
H.R.1894 – Federally Integrated Species Health (FISH) Act	Rep. Ken Calvert (R-CA)	Streamlines the management and regulation of the Endangered Species Act (ESA), with respect to anadromous species, within the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS). ESA authority is currently split	3/6/2025	Watch - while the administration has expressed interest in accomplishing some of the goals from this bill administratively, the bill itself is not likely to move.	3/06/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

		between FWS and the National Marine Fisheries Service.			
H.R.1871 - Water Conservation Rebate Tax Parity Act	Rep. Jared Huffman (D-CA)	Amends the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt from taxation any rebates or subsidies for water conservation, efficiency, stormwater management, or wastewater management improvements. Extends the tax exemption to rebates or subsidies provided directly or indirectly by public utilities, state and local governments, and stormwater management providers.	3/5/2025	Watch - this bill has been introduced over the last several Congresses and has not moved. Unless it's a reconciliation play, the stand alone will likely not move because it will have a score.	3/05/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
S.857 - Water Conservation Rebate Tax Parity Act	Sen. John Curtis (R-UT)	Amends the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the exclusion for certain conservation subsidies to include subsidies for water conservation or efficiency	3/5/2025	Watch - this bill has been introduced over the last several Congresses and has not moved. Unless it's a reconciliation play, the stand alone will likely not move	3/05/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

		measures, storm water management measures, and wastewater management measures.		because it will have a score	
S.322 – Improving Atmospheric River Forecasts Act	Sen. Alex Padilla (D-CA)	Directs NOAA to establish a standalone atmospheric river forecast improvement program for the purpose of developing accurate storm forecasts, evaluate tools to improve atmospheric river analysis, authorizes the agency to procure monitoring equipment and improves hazard communication.	1/29/2025	Watch – unlikely the stand alone bill moves, but potentially could as part of the WEATHER Act or a package.	1/29/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
H.R. 338 - Every Drop Counts Act	Rep. Jim Costa (D-CA)	Amends the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to increase surface water and groundwater storage.	1/13/2025	Support- expands eligibility for groundwater recharge and small surface projects and the increase in program authority.	11/19/2025 Subcommittee meetings held.
H.R.6229 - Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA)	Rep. Kim Schrier (D-WA)	Reauthorizes the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014.	11/22/2025	Watch	11/22/2025 Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

Amendments of 2025					
S. 3738 – MORE WATER Act	Sen. Alex Padilla (D-CA)	Amend the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to reauthorize the large-scale water recycling and reuse program, to establish a Water Conveyance Improvement Program.	01/29/2026	Watch- the legislation provides nonreimbursable funding for conveyance projects and also sets requirements for multi-benefit projects to provide benefits for the environment and drinking water; note the legislation is endorsed by San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority, San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority, Association of California Water Agencies, State Water Contractors, Sacramento River Settlement Contractors.	09/17/2026 Placed on Senate calendar.
S. 3737 – GROW SMART Act	Sen. Alex Padilla (D-CA)	Amends the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991 to incentivize farmers to invest in “innovative approaches” that keep agricultural land in production	01/29/2026		03/17/2026 Subcommittee Meetings held.

		and provide affordable water supplies.			
H.R. 8259 – Federal Water Projects Consultation Improvement Act of 2026	Rep. Cliff Bentz (R-OR)	Modifies how federal agencies carry out Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 consultations for federal water projects.	04/14/2026	Support with amendments- the intention of this bill is to extend the provisions of the WIIN Act that provide water contractors with the ability to participate meaningfully in ESA Section 7 consultations. Working with SLDMWA on amendments to make the process work better.	04/29/2026 Subcommittee Hearings Held
H.R. 9022 -- Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2027	Rep. Chuck Fleischmann (R-TN)	Makes appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2027	05/22/2026		06/23/2026 – Rule provided for consideration
S. 5604 – Improving Species Recovery Act	Sen. Adam Schiff (D-CA), Sen. Pete Ricketts (R-NE)	Amends the Endangered Species Act to make changes to the recovery framework through voluntary partnerships, conservation milestones, clear and standardized demographic metrics, and application of digital technology.	09/30/2026	Watch- bipartisan ESA reform is important, but still analyzing the bill's impacts.	09/30/2026 – Referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

Tier 2: All bills in the below category are to be watched but no position is needed.					
H.R.302 – Water Rights Protection Act of 2025	Rep. Celeste Maloy (R- UT)	Prohibits the conditioning of any permit, lease, or other use agreement on the transfer of any water right to the United States by the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture.	1/9/2025		11/25/2025 Placed on House Calendar.
H.Res.71	Rep. Monica De La Cruz (R-TX)	Condemning the Government of Mexico for failing to fulfill its water deliveries on an annual basis to the United States under the treaty between the United States and Mexico regarding the utilization of the Colorado and Tijuana Rivers and of the Rio Grande.	1/28/2025		1/28/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.
H.R.1261 - Land and Water Conservation Fund Water Amendments Act	Rep. Brian Mast (R- FL)	Amends title 54, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to make financial assistance to States under the Land and Water Conservation	2/12/2025		2/12/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

		Fund available for water quality projects			
S.1118 - Water Intelligence, Security, and Cyber Threat Protection Act	Sen. Ed Markey (D-MA)	Establishes a program to increase drinking water and wastewater system threat preparedness and resilience	3/25/2025		3/25/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
H.R.2656 – Removing Nitrate and Arsenic in Drinking Water Act	Rep. Norma Torres (D-CA)	Amends the Safe Drinking Water Act to provide grants for nitrate and arsenic reduction projects, and for other purposes.	4/3/2025		4/03/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
H.R.4302 – Improving Atmospheric River Forecasts Act	Rep. Jay Obernolte (R-CA)	Accelerates subseasonal to seasonal prediction skills related to precipitation forecasts for water management in the western United States, improve atmospheric river forecasts across the country.	07/07/2025		07/07/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.
S. 1413	Sen. Alex Padilla (D-CA)	Authorizes additional funding for the San Joaquin River Restoration Settlement Act.	4/10/2025		7/16/2026 Ordered to be reported favorably.

Tier 3:					
H.R.187- MAPWaters Act of 2025	Rep. Blake Moore (R- UT)	Provides for the standardization, consolidation, and publication of data relating to public outdoor recreational use of Federal waterways among Federal land and water management agencies	1/3/2025		12/26/2025 Signed into law.
H.R.841	Rep. Jodey Arrington (R-TX)	Amends title 54, United States Code, to prohibit the acquisition of land, water, or an interest in land or water from a private landowner using amounts made available under the Land and Water Conservation Fund.	1/31/2025		1/31/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.
H.R.776 – Nutria Eradication and Control Reauthorization Act of 2025	Rep. Josh Harder (D- CA)	Reauthorizes through FY2030 the Nutria Eradication and Control Act of 2003, which allows DOI to provide financial assistance to states for (1) eradicating or controlling nutria, and (2) restoring	1/28/2025		2/05/2025 Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

		marshland damaged by nutria.			
H.Res.274	Rep. Monica De La Cruz (R-TX)	Encourages the Mexican government to fulfill its water deliveries on an annual basis to the U.S. under the treaty between the United States and Mexico regarding the utilization of the Colorado and Tijuana Rivers and of the Rio Grande.	03/31/2025		03/31/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs
H.R.3293 - Support Water-Efficient Technologies Strategies and Technologies Act of 2025.	Rep. Teresa Leger Fernandez (D-NV)	Amends the Food Security Act of 1985 to increase payments for drought-resilient or water-saving practices and to provide additional payments for perennial production systems, and for other purposes.	05/08/2025		05/08/2025 Referred to the House Agriculture Committee.



WWD Matrix

09/25/2026

OPPOSE		NOT FAVOR	SUPPORT/SPONSOR	FAVOR	WATCH	OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED	SUPPORT IF AMENDED	PENDING	
MEASURE	AUTHOR	TOPIC		STATUS		LOCATION		CALENDAR	POSITION
<u>AB 929</u>	<u>Connolly, D</u>	Abandoned endowment care cemeteries: County of Marin.		09/09/2026 - Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 1 p.m.		09/09/2026 - Assembly ENROLLED			
<u>AB 1486</u>	<u>Soria, D</u>	Climate resiliency: research farms: grant program.		08/28/2026 - Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3:30 p.m.		08/28/2026 - Assembly ENROLLED			
<u>AB 1987</u>	<u>Aguiar-Curry, D</u>	Department-managed lands: wildlife areas: hunting.		09/03/2026 - Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 4 p.m.		09/03/2026 - Assembly ENROLLED			
<u>AB 2218</u>	<u>Kalra, D</u>	Water policy: California Native American tribes.		09/03/2026 - Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 4 p.m.		09/03/2026 - Assembly ENROLLED			
<u>AB 2469</u>	<u>Papan, D</u>	Data centers: water use disclosures.		09/21/2026 - Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 436, Statutes of 2026.		09/21/2026 - Assembly CHAPTERED			
<u>AB 2568</u>	<u>Johnson, R</u>	Water district directors: compensation.		08/28/2026 - Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3:30 p.m.		08/28/2026 - Assembly ENROLLED			
<u>AB 2577</u>	<u>Connolly, D</u>	Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986: settlements: attorney’s fees.		08/31/2026 - Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 4 p.m.		08/31/2026 - Assembly ENROLLED			
<u>AB 2728</u>	<u>Soria, D</u>	Groundwater: de minimis extractors: fees: exemption.		09/04/2026 - Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 4 p.m.		09/04/2026 - Assembly ENROLLED			Sponsor
<u>AB 2739</u>	<u>Soria, D</u>	Water: affordability and system stabilization.		09/10/2026 - Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3 p.m.		09/10/2026 - Assembly ENROLLED			
<u>SB 239</u>	<u>Arreguín, D</u>	Crimes: criminal threats.		09/20/2026 - Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 412, Statutes of 2026.		09/20/2026 - Senate CHAPTERED			
<u>SB 599</u>	<u>Caballero, D</u>	Atmospheric rivers: research: forecasting methods:		08/27/2026 - Enrolled and presented to the		08/27/2026 -			

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		experimental tools.	Governor at 4:30 p.m.	Senate ENROLLED		
<u>SB 742</u>	<u>Pérez, D</u>	Electricity: electrical infrastructure: permanently abandoned transmission facilities: emergency response: liaisons.	08/30/2026 - Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 6 p.m.	08/30/2026 - Senate ENROLLED		
<u>SB 769</u>	<u>Caballero, D</u>	The Golden State Infrastructure Corporation Act.	09/18/2026 - Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.	09/18/2026 - Senate VETOED		
<u>SB 872</u>	<u>McNerney, D</u>	Delta Levees and Canal Subsidence Fund.	08/27/2026 - Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 4:30 p.m.	08/27/2026 - Senate ENROLLED		
<u>SB 1085</u>	<u>Durazo, D</u>	Water supply planning: housing developments.	09/03/2026 - Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3 p.m.	09/03/2026 - Senate ENROLLED		
<u>SB 1125</u>	<u>Menjivar, D</u>	Water Rate Assistance Program.	08/31/2026 - Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 6 p.m.	08/31/2026 - Senate ENROLLED		
<u>SB 1417</u>	<u>Pérez, D</u>	Mutual water companies: assessments and water charges: notice.	08/30/2026 - Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 6 p.m.	08/30/2026 - Senate ENROLLED		
Total Measures: 17						
Total Tracking Forms: 17						

Westlands Water District Board of Directors

Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2026

Item 4e

Subject:

Board of Directors to Receive an Update on Operations and Maintenance (O&M)
Division Activities and Consider Directing Staff as Appropriate.

Strategic Plan Key Strategies:

3. Prioritize Critical Infrastructure Needs.

Discussion:

The tables below summarize current distribution system capacity limitations and service interruptions. Unless otherwise noted, the remainder of the distribution system is operating without interruption.

Table 1: Pumps Out of Service

Location / Unit #	Issue	Status	Return to Service (Est.)	Capacity Reduction (cfs)
28RA #6	MCC Replacement	Repair in process	Oct. 30	6.0
1R-4.0B #1	Motor Failure	Repair in process	Mar. 30	22.0
1R-2.0 #3	Check Valve Failure	Sourcing Parts	TBD	3
27R #3	Pump & Motor Failure	Repair in process	TBD	7.4
31L #4	Pump Failure	Repair in process	TBD	7.3

Table 2: Lateral Shutdown

Lateral Shutdown		
Lateral	Dates	Work to be Performed
1L Meters (1005 to 1045)	Oct. 19 – Oct. 22	Pumping Plant Painting
14RC Meters (114124 to 114180)	Oct. 19 – Oct. 22	Pumping Plant Painting
2L	Oct. 19 – Oct. 24	DWR Slide Gate Replacement
27R	Oct. 19 – Oct. 24	Quinquennial
12R	Oct. 26 – Oct. 31	Quinquennial
17R	Oct. 26 – Oct. 29	Pumping Plant Painting
13L	Nov. 2 – Nov. 8	Quinquennial
1R	Nov. 3 – Nov. 5	PG&E Pole Replacement

13R	Nov. 16 – Nov. 22	Quinquennial
31L	Nov. 16 – Nov. 21	DWR Slide Gate Replacement

Surface Water AMI

As of October 9, staff has completed 300 meter conversions/swaps, replacing mechanical with digital (Sensus output) registers. In addition, 237 MiNet nodes have been installed, and Civil Maintenance has begun replacing older Victaulic meters with new digital Vertiflow Meters. Staff continues to expand deployment efforts and refine the meter conversion process to improve efficiency.

Painting Projects

Staff executed contracts in September for the annual regulating tank and pumping plant painting projects following well attended pre-bid job walks in July. Both projects are expected to begin before the October Board meeting and include painting four pumping plants (1L, 14R-C, 17R-A, and PV2) and the interior and exterior of the 30R regulating tank. Both projects were awarded below budget and are anticipated to be completed by year-end. Upon completion, 20 pumping plants and three tanks will remain to be painted before the District transitions to an as needed painting schedule.

Golden Mussel Update

Staff is currently reviewing the data from the Golden Mussel treatments on Laterals 4L and 7R which were conducted between July 27 and September 14. Initial notes reveal that 70 to 80 percent mortality was achieved on both laterals within approximately 14 days. Within seven weeks, the treatment had achieved 100 percent mortality in all 6 monitoring locations. During subsequent inspections on 7R, no live mussels were observed within the headworks, pipeline, and reservoirs. Staff was also informed that some shells had been found in the backwash filters on Lateral 4L. Based on anticipated flow rates, water temperature, and veliger populations in the Delta, staff is considering a final two week treatment starting in early November for both laterals. We will also be evaluating spot treatments at 24R terminal Tank and at PV3.

Staff was informed that the application for the Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Program funding, which was applied for in coordination with Naval Air Station Lemoore (NASL) in July, has been elevated to the Base HQ and we anticipate scoring and feedback in December. The overall funding request was for approximately \$1.4 million to support up to two Zequanox treatments on Laterals 29L and 30L. There are no anticipated matching funds required for this grant and final projects selected to submit full funding applications will be announced later this fall.

Staff is moving forward with several Proposition 4 funding applications, which include \$20 million in invasive species funding through the Department of Food and Ag. While the opening of the application process has been delayed, draft guidance documents have been published and are being reviewed. Of the four projects being considered is a research project in coordination with California State University Fresno on veliger populations and travel patterns in the CVP. One aspect of this project is to identify ways of tracking mussel populations without the need to dewater and visually inspect infrastructure. If successful, this could be a critical part of the District's control plan moving forward. The other projects being considered and related to filtration improvements at the Pleasant Valley Pumping Plant, and future treatment projects on the District's distribution system.

The Bureau of Reclamation announced a funding call on October 5, for fiscal year 2027 Mussels and Aquatic Invasive Species Spent Plan. Staff is working on a joint application with the Authority to develop treatment processes at both the Pleasant Valley and O'Neill Pumping Plants for idle pumping units to prevent mussel settlement. This project is similar to one submitted last year by the District which scored just below the funding cutoff. Staff anticipates a joint project with the Authority will score higher and provide better results for both facilities. Proposals are due on October 16, 2026.

Staff has reviewed the draft Golden Mussel Monitoring and Control Plan and is working on providing comments back to the consultant this month. The District's consultant, Dudek, was tasked with finishing out the plan started by staff in March. The plan will focus

on preventing the spread of Golden Mussels but will also provide guidance on efficient treatment processes based on lateral specific operational considerations. Staff anticipates submitting the completed plan to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife in the coming months.

Staff continue to coordinate with regional partners and monitor ongoing research efforts to better understand water quality and temperature effects on the golden mussel.

Proposed Motion:

No proposed motion.

Recommendation:

None.

Attachments:

Presentation slides.

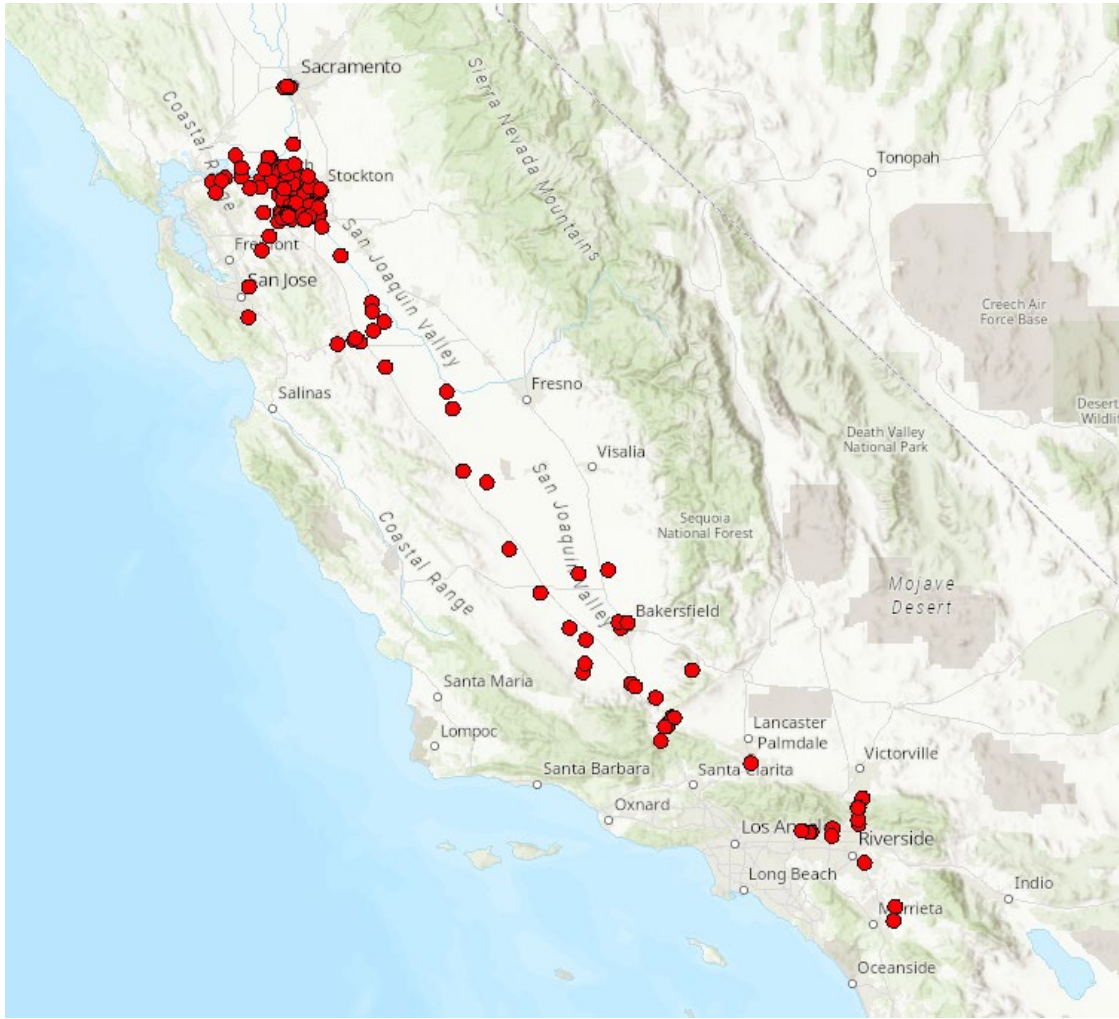


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Golden Mussel

Background

Golden Mussel and its presence within the State Water Project, Central Valley Project, and Westlands Water District Distribution System poses a significant risk to the reliable delivery of water.



Golden Mussel

Presence in California

■ State Water Project Facilities

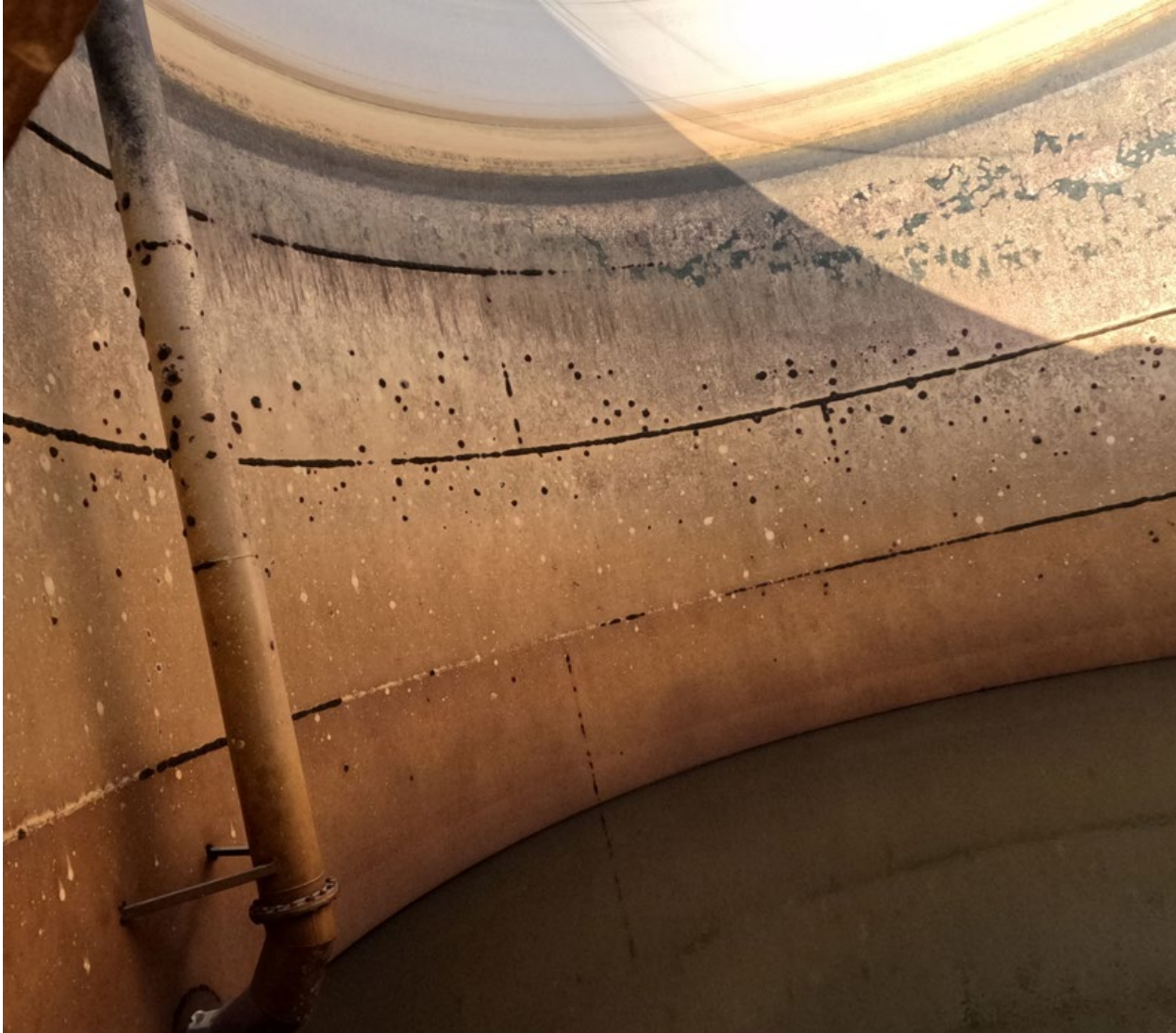
- Priority to “At Risk” facilities
- Critical systems intolerant to biofouling
 - UV Disinfection
 - Chemical Treatment
 - Hot Water Decontamination

■ Research

- Life Cycle and Spawning
- Treatment Options
- Physical and Environmental Conditions

■ Containment

- Recreational Activities
- Water Discharges to Uncontaminated Waters



Golden Mussel

Presence in Westlands

- PVPP Quinquennial Inspection
 - October 2024
- 2025
 - Pump Columns During Repairs
 - Pipeline Repairs
 - Quinquennial Inspections
- 2026
 - Pump Columns
 - Pipeline Repairs
 - Regulating Tanks (24R Terminal Tank at Left)
 - Slide Gate Structures

Plan / Budget

Plan / Budget for Worst Case

- Treat Laterals Every Other Year
- Utilizing Low Dose Copper and Qualified Applicator

Adapt

Adapt Plan Based on Annual Inspection Results

- Quinquennial
- Pipe Repairs
- Meter Maintenance (AMI Swaps)

Modify

Modify Maintenance Activities to Include Golden Mussel Mitigation

- Sump Silt Removal
- Capital Valve Replacement Projects

Westlands Golden Mussel Response

Target Critical Infrastructure and Facilities Where Observed Population Densities Present Threat to Continued Water Deliveries.

Plan / Budget

■ Annual Budget

- Set 218 Rate to Treat 32 Laterals on a Two-Year Rotation
 - Used Average (45%) Water Allocation
 - \$2,700,000

■ Develop Task Based Contracts for Rapid Treatment Response

- Receive Proposals and Develop Prioritized Vendor List
 - Adaptable to Applicator and/or Material Availability

■ Finalize Golden Mussel Control Plan

- In Progress with Dudek
 - Target Completion for December 2026

Adapt

- Develop Treatment Plan Based on Annual Inspections
 - Collaborate with Other Agencies
- Research Activities
 - Water Chemistry
 - Water Temperatures
 - Methods for Determining Mussel Population
 - eDNA
- Evaluate Emerging Technologies
 - Alternative UV Applications
 - Zequanox – Gen 2 Applications

Modify

■ Develop Data Collection Facilities

- Water Quality
 - Parameters that are known to and/or could influence treatments
- Water Temperature
- Mainline Flow Rates / Velocities Downstream of Headworks

■ Develop and Install Dedicated Treatment Sites

- Injection Connections to Pipelines
- Flow Rates / Velocities Downstream of Headworks

■ Transition Treatment Activities to Internal Staff

- Training and Certification
- Evaluate Staff Time Needed



Questions?



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Official Memorandum

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To: Westlands Water District Board of Directors
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From: Federico Barajas, Executive Director, San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority

Date: October 20, 2026

RE: Update on Key Water Authority Activities

Background

The San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority ("Water Authority") performs a number of activities that provide common benefit to its members. A list of key activities performed over the last month is provided below.

Activities

Activity and Water Authority Fund	Description of Work / Objective
Operations and Maintenance (Fund 01)	• Coordination of CVP and SWP operations between south-of-delta CVP contractors and CA Department of Water Resources. • Coordinated and led a tour of Phase 1 Task 1 of the Delta-Mendota Canal Subsidence Correction Project. • Continued development of FY28 OM&R budget. • Participated and coordinated with member agencies on operations groups, including the Delta Action Team, Fish and Water Operations Group, Sacramento River Group, and Water Operations Management Team. Focused discussions on Shasta operations, including fall-flow planning, temperature management, and green sturgeon incidental take.
General Membership (Fund 03)	• Continued effort to update Water Authority website. • Coordinated media information related to operations, infrastructure, species impacts, and revisions to Project operations. • Coordinated with Family Farm Alliance on agency and Congressional engagement. • Coordinated engagement with Water Blueprint for the San Joaquin Valley re: blog posts, Communications and Education Workgroup activities, including release of Unified Water Plan and Blueprint Board Strategic Planning workshop.



	• Coordinated engagement with ACWA on the ACWA Vision for Water to align with San Joaquin Valley priorities. • Coordinated engagement with San Joaquin Valley Collaborative Action Program. • Coordinated and provided support for the Great Valley Farm Water Partnership, to advance understanding of key priorities: (1) South Delta Channel Siltation, (2) Permanent operable gates in the South Delta, and (3) Water conveyance and storage needs for the San Joaquin Valley.
Leg/Ops (Fund 05)	• Coordinated knowledge transfer and onboarding process for Invariant as the Coalition Coordinator and federal lobbyist for the Water Authority. • Submitted comment letters on WOTUS Proposed Rule. • Ongoing coordination of CVP contractors related to key policy issues. • Coordinated CVP contractor/Reclamation meetings. • Coordinated Water Authority member agencies on shared Water Authority priorities, including federal and state affairs coordination calls. • Engaged with Congressional and administrative staff regarding FY 2027 appropriations requests, priority water legislation, infrastructure funding, oversight, and LTO implementation, including adaptive management. • Engaged with State legislative staff and administration officials on priority legislation, infrastructure funding, oversight, and ITP/LTO implementation, including adaptive management. • Coordinated with Water Authority member agencies on Water Quality Control Plan, Healthy Rivers and Landscapes Program, and Trinity River consultation. • Coordinated with State Water Contractors and Coalition for a Sustainable Delta.
Science Program (Fund 05)	• Led public water agency efforts on golden mussel response coordination, including performing site assessments of Water Authority facilities by RNT Consulting, a specialized contractor providing vulnerability assessments and mitigation options, and established facilitation support for a water agency coordination group. • Participated in Steering Committee for Delta Science Program Peer Review on entrainment analysis to advance lines of evidence on potential tools for entrainment management in the Delta. • Engagement with National Academies of Sciences Panel on CVP and SWP Long-Term Operations.



	• Engagement with Reclamation on implementation of special studies that would inform Adaptive Management in the Record of Decision on CVP and SWP Operations. • Coordination of key partners on shared Science Objectives and desired Policy Outcomes, including advancement of fisheries monitoring data analysis and acoustic telemetry improvements.
Westlands FLOWS Activity Agreement (Fund 72)	• Coordinated with Reclamation and District staff on advancing the project.

Westlands Water District Board of Directors

Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2026

Item 7a

Subject:

Board of Directors to Consider Investment and Financial Reports

Strategic Plan Key Strategies:

5. Manage Finances Effectively Enhance Groundwater Resources

Discussion:

Each month the Deputy General Manager of Finance & Administration provides an update to the Board on the previous month's financial results. Below is an analysis of the current fiscal standing of the District including:

Investments (Treasurer's Report)

- Investment yields moved up in September with average yields above 4% (approximately 3.87%-4.62%) across most District holdings. Interest earnings are on track to exceed the FY 2026–2027 interest revenue budget.
- After the period ended, Staff was able make its first investment with the assistance of the District's new investment advisor, Meeder Public Funds.

Budget to Actual (Consolidated Revenue & Budget Report)

- September 2026 revenues totaled \$16.1 million, compared with approximately \$20.7 million in August 2026 and \$13.8 million in September 2025. The month-over-month decrease primarily reflects the timing and level of agricultural water sales. On a year-to-date basis, revenues totaled \$167.8 million, or 64.67% of budget, compared with \$195.6 million, or 78.30% of budget, through September 2025. Lower agricultural water sales were partially offset by higher groundwater power usage and interest earnings. Overall revenues are trending to meet budget expectations.
- On a year-to-date basis, total expenses were \$156.1 million, or 61.95% of budget, compared with \$157.0 million, or 62.85% of budget, through September

2025. Discretionary expenses were \$23.5 million through September 2026, compared with \$24.8 million through September 2025.

Debt Service & Grant Report

- Bond payments were made at the beginning of September. Total long-term debt outstanding decreased to \$207.3 million at September 30, 2026, from \$235.6 million at September 30, 2025.
- \$180,018 of reimbursement requests were submitted in September 2026, mostly related to the Westside Subbasin MLRP project.

Proposed Motion:

Move to receive and file the Investment and Financial Reports.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposed motion.

Attachments:

1. September 2026 Investment & Financial Reports

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT

TREASURER'S REPORT OF CASH AND INVESTMENTS

SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

HOLDINGS REPORT BY INVESTMENT TYPE

	<u>Value</u>	<u>Market Price</u>	<u>Market Value</u>	<u>Cost Value</u>	<u>Unrealized Gain/(Loss)</u>	<u>Yield</u>	
BMO							
Checking	4,046.05	100.00	4,046.05	4,046.05			
CITIZENS							
Checking	3,416,563.58	100.00	3,416,563.58	3,416,563.58			
LOCAL AGENCY INVESTMENT FUND (3)	72,023,245.77	100.00	72,015,626.14	72,023,245.77	(7,619.63)	3.91%	
CALTRUST							
Liquidity Fund	212,234,859.86	1.00	212,234,859.86	212,234,859.86	0.00	3.87%	
Short Term	30,521.89	10.00	30,371.35	30,521.89	(150.54)	4.23%	
Medium Term	73,468,327.68	9.65	70,773,333.87	73,468,327.68	(2,694,993.81)	4.62%	
TOTAL OPERATING CASH	<u>\$361,177,564.83</u>		<u>\$358,474,800.85</u>	<u>\$361,177,564.83</u>			
LAND & WATER FUND							
CalTrust - Short Term	40,077,439.59	10.00	39,764,729.18	40,077,439.59	(312,710.41)	4.23%	
Citizens Business Bank - Money Market	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1.00%</u>	(4)
TOTAL LAND & WATER FUND	<u>\$40,077,439.59</u>		<u>\$39,764,729.18</u>	<u>\$40,077,439.59</u>			
2020 BOND FUNDS							
CalTrust - Short Term 2020A	\$928,253.65	10.00	919,212.61	928,253.65	(9,041.04)	4.23%	
CalTrust - Short Term 2020B	<u>\$144,965.17</u>	<u>10.00</u>	<u>143,553.24</u>	<u>144,965.17</u>	<u>(1,411.93)</u>	<u>4.23%</u>	
TOTAL 2020 BOND FUNDS	<u>\$1,073,218.82</u>		<u>\$1,062,765.85</u>	<u>\$1,073,218.82</u>			
TRUST FUNDS							
Section 125 Trust - CBB	10,780.99	100.00	10,780.99	10,780.99			
Debt Service Trust Funds							
US Bank - Revenue Bonds 2016A Pmt Fund	4,689.88	100.00	4,689.88	4,689.88		3.56%	
US Bank - Revenue Bonds 2020A Pmt Fund	5,463.51	100.00	5,463.51	5,463.51		3.56%	
US Bank - Custody Account	28,038,399.34	100.00	28,038,399.34	28,038,399.34			
CERBT - Post Employment Retirement Benefits	<u>20,971,008.92</u>		<u>20,971,008.92</u>	<u>20,971,008.92</u>			(5)
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS	<u>\$49,030,342.64</u>		<u>\$49,030,342.64</u>	<u>\$49,030,342.64</u>			
PORTFOLIO TOTALS	<u><u>\$451,358,565.88</u></u>		<u><u>\$448,332,638.52</u></u>	<u><u>\$451,358,565.88</u></u>	<u><u>(\$3,025,927.36)</u></u>		

NOTES:

- The year-to-date weighted average yield on all funds invested or maintained in financial institutions, excluding the land & water fund and trust funds, is 3.76%
- The investments reflected in this report have been made in compliance with the Statement of Investment Policy. As currently invested, the District has the ability to meet its expenditure requirements for the next 6 months.
- The unrealized gain/(loss) for LAIF funds represents Unrealized Gain/(Loss) as of March 30, 2026
- Proceeds from the sale of land to Darden Energy were deposited into the CalTRUST Liquidity account, earning interest at a rate of 4.03% for total earnings of \$36,923.57. Subsequently, a portion of these funds (\$47,695,553.16) were transferred to a money market account at Citizens Business Bank, where the funds earned \$130.67 at an interest rate of 1.00%. Based on interest earned across both investment accounts, the funds blended interest rate of 2.36% as of November 30, 2025. In December the funds were moved to the CalTrust Liquidity account to increase the blended rate.
- CERBT funds report are issued quarterly.

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT
CONSOLIDATED REVENUE REPORT - SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

REVENUES AND FUNDS AVAILABLE	2026-27 BUDGET	2025-26 ENCUMBERED BUDGET [1]	CURRENT REVENUE	YEAR TO DATE	BALANCE REMAINING	58.33% PERCENT REVENUE
IRRIGATION WATER TOLLS	\$ 139,916,100		\$ 11,462,872.61	\$ 102,014,204.73	\$ 37,901,895.27	72.91%
M & I WATER TOLLS	2,368,000		174,250.61	1,052,122.27	1,315,877.73	44.43%
TEMPORARY FACILITIES POWER	1,345,000		185,361.18	642,086.95	702,913.05	47.74%
NON-PROJECT POWER	284,200		35,529.00	41,269.08	242,930.92	14.52%
GROUNDWATER MGMT PROGRAM-POWER	15,390,800		2,685,027.64	13,515,019.76	1,875,780.24	87.81%
ASSESSMENTS	21,358,600		-	21,293,231.66	65,368.34	99.69%
LAND BASED CHARGES	10,539,400		48,505.85	10,050,626.68	488,773.32	95.36%
VCIP - APPLICATION FEES	1,200,000 4		-	720,000.00	480,000.00	60.00%
IRRIGATION SYSTEM LEASE REVENUE	4,600,000		-	-	4,600,000.00	0.00%
LAND LEASE REVENUE	284,800		57,422.50	299,876.85	(15,076.85)	105.29%
INTEREST	12,000,000		1,105,501.06	7,810,064.93	4,189,935.07	65.08%
MISCELLANEOUS	19,771,500 2,5,7		302,732.85	10,022,585.65	9,748,914.35	50.69%
FUNDS CARRIED OVER		5,094,600	-	-	5,094,600.00	0.00%
TRANSFER FROM RESERVES / NET POSITION	<u>25,345,700</u> 2,3,5,6		<u>85,294.91</u>	<u>367,473.78</u>	<u>24,978,226.22</u>	<u>1.45%</u>
	<u>\$ 254,404,100</u>	<u>\$ 5,094,600</u>	<u>\$ 16,142,498.21</u>	<u>\$ 167,828,562.34</u>	<u>\$ 91,670,137.66</u>	<u>64.67%</u>

[1] Funds Carried Over from WY 25-26

[2] Budget Augmentation 6/16/26 - AMI Grant Funding

[3] Budget Augmentation 6/16/26 - Golden Muscle

[4] Budget Augmentation 6/16/26 - VCIP

[5] Budget Augmentation 7/21/26 - SLDMWA Deficit Billing

[6] Budget Augmentation 8/18/26 - BF Sisk

[7] Budget Augmentation 8/18/26 - MLRP

	2026-2027	2025-2026
AG A/F ADJUSTED BUDGET	389,709	392,893
Y-T-D DELIVERED	381,382	634,747
M&I A/F ADJUSTED BUDGET	7,784	4,600
Y-T-D BILLED	3,853	4,111
MONTH END A/F OVERUSE BALANCE:		<u>0</u>

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT

CONSOLIDATED BUDGET REPORT - SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

EXPENSE		2026-27 BUDGET	2025-26 ENCUMBERED BUDGET [1]	CURRENT EXPENDITURES	YEAR -TO-DATE	BALANCE REMAINING	58.33% PERCENT EXPENDED
00	SALARIES & WAGES	\$ 13,475,900		\$ 1,021,028.14	\$ 6,639,893.03	\$ 6,836,006.97	49.27%
33	FRINGE BENEFITS	5,861,600		295,371.74	4,200,142.34	1,661,457.66	71.66%
01	PREMIUM PAY	151,200		7,583.56	57,954.80	93,245.20	38.33%
02	DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM MAINT.	5,986,800 ³	310,700	377,936.50	1,609,070.64	4,688,429.36	25.55%
03	SMALL TOOLS & EQUIP EXPENSE	80,700	5,300	2,449.67	46,448.77	39,551.23	54.01%
04	VEHICLE & ROLLING EQUIP REPAIR	225,900	15,100	9,776.72	102,251.75	138,748.25	42.43%
05	VEHICLE FUELS & LUBRICANTS	572,200		7,595.24	212,083.60	360,116.40	37.06%
06	SAFETY SUPPLIES & TRAINING	120,400	1,300	5,179.84	68,355.36	53,344.64	56.17%
07	GENERAL SUPPLIES & SERVICES	311,200 ²	55,200	16,312.76	158,753.63	207,646.37	43.33%
09	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	42,800		3,726.54	17,660.46	25,139.54	41.26%
10	FIELD OFFICE EXPENSE	441,500	7,700	26,306.36	186,350.98	262,849.02	41.49%
11	COMPUTER RELATED EXPENSES	649,700 ^{2,4}	18,000	17,265.58	284,022.66	383,677.34	42.54%
14	SCHOOLS & SEMINARS	108,300 ²	15,000	5,300.00	22,533.43	100,766.57	18.28%
15	RADIO EXPENSE	12,500		1,700.00	8,546.15	3,953.85	68.37%
17	ADVERTISING & PUBLIC NOTICES	68,700 ⁹		12,822.11	19,182.96	49,517.04	27.92%
18	EMPLOYEE RELATIONS	51,000		6,600.00	24,954.49	26,045.51	48.93%
20	FRESNO OFFICE EXPENSE	490,500	1,300	15,035.45	79,518.03	412,281.97	16.17%
21	OUTSIDE PRINTING	49,700		788.30	14,195.07	35,504.93	28.56%
22	OFFICE SUPPLIES	77,800		2,729.52	27,263.71	50,536.29	35.04%
23	POSTAGE & POSTAL PERMITS	30,000		3,000.00	9,881.69	20,118.31	32.94%
24	DUES, SUBSCRIPT. & PUBLICATIONS	4,507,700 ⁷		261,929.95	1,528,174.79	2,979,525.21	33.90%
25	LEGAL EXPENSES	5,415,000	9,500	174,378.94	2,073,907.57	3,350,592.43	38.23%
26	CONSULTANT COSTS	8,725,400 ^{4,8}	2,140,500	372,817.06	3,592,341.55	7,273,558.45	33.06%
27	ACCOUNTING EXPENSE	67,700		50,400.00	50,400.00	17,300.00	74.45%
28	ELECTION EXPENSE	60,000		-	-	60,000.00	0.00%
29	SUBSISTENCE & TRAVEL	194,300		7,751.84	53,747.07	140,552.93	27.66%
30	CHARTERS & TOURS	35,000		405.99	487.48	34,512.52	1.39%
31	DIRECTOR'S EXPENSES	110,000	15,000	10,644.89	37,651.49	87,348.51	30.12%
32	INSURANCE PREMIUMS	630,000		-	584,885.25	45,114.75	92.84%
39	LAND MANAGEMENT	2,705,300	131,500	126,999.23	1,297,902.79	1,538,897.21	45.75%
90	CAPITAL ASSETS	872,200	62,600	98,644.91	477,951.19	456,848.81	51.13%
TOTAL		<u>\$ 52,131,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,788,700</u>	<u>\$ 2,942,480.84</u>	<u>\$ 23,486,512.73</u>	<u>\$ 31,433,187.27</u>	<u>42.77%</u>
12	POWER PURCHASES	\$ 16,520,000		\$ 1,319,910.22	\$ 9,623,489.70	\$ 6,896,510.30	58.25%
13	WATER PURCHASES	125,023,700		12,988,227.82	93,728,639.55	31,295,060.45	74.97%
40	MISCELLANEOUS	16,776,400 ⁶		3.63	16,270,819.58	505,580.42	96.99%
47	IRRIGATION SYSTEM PROJECTS	4,600,000		-	-	4,600,000.00	0.00%
48	GRANTS	589,500 ⁸		-	-	589,500.00	0.00%
50	RESERVE CONTRIBUTIONS	2,981,600		272,006.25	677,541.56	2,304,058.44	22.72%
69	REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS 2016A	-		-	2,750.00	(2,750.00)	0.00%
70	REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS 2020A	11,628,100		8,526,099.26	8,529,449.26	3,098,650.74	73.35%
72	SLDMWA BONDS REFUNDING REV 2021B	1,641,800		-	1,631,246.95	10,553.05	99.36%
93	NEW CONST. - DIST. (GENERAL)	13,062,000 ⁸	2,305,900	388,097.47	2,180,591.14	13,187,308.86	14.19%
97	LAND & WATER	-		-	-	0.00	0.00%
98	CONTINGENCY RESERVE	1,970,000 ⁹		-	-	1,970,000.00	0.00%
TOTAL		<u>\$194,793,100</u>	<u>\$ 2,305,900</u>	<u>\$ 23,494,344.65</u>	<u>\$ 132,644,527.74</u>	<u>\$ 64,454,472.26</u>	<u>67.30%</u>
TOTAL BUDGET & EXPENDITURES		<u><u>\$246,924,100</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,094,600</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 26,436,825.49</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 156,131,040.47</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 95,887,659.53</u></u>	<u><u>61.95%</u></u>

- 1 Fund Carried Over from WY 25-26
- 2 Budget Transfer - Computer Related Exp
- 3 Budget Augmentation - 6/16/26 - Golden Muscle Abatement
- 4 Budget Augmentation - 6/16/26 - VCIP
- 5 Budget Augmentation - 6/16/26 - AMI
- 6 Budget Augmentation - 7/21/26 - SLDMWA Deficit Billing
- 7 Budget Augmentation - 8/21/26 - BF Sisk
- 8 Budget Augmentation - 8/21/26 - MLRP
- 9 Budget Transfer - 9/15/26 Recruitment Expenses

BOLLIBOKKA
CONSOLIDATED BUDGET REPORT - SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

		2025-26				58.33%
CURRENT REVENUE AND FUNDS AVAILABLE		2026-27	ENCUMBERED	CURRENT	YEAR-TO-DATE	PERCENT
		BUDGET	BUDGET [2]	REVENUE		REVENUE
XX	USER FEES	\$ 592,100	\$ 56,200	39,871.42	\$ 454,076.00	70.04%
TOTAL		<u>\$ 592,100</u>	<u>\$ 56,200</u>	<u>\$ 39,871.42</u>	<u>\$ 454,076.00</u>	<u>70.04%</u>

		2025-26				58.33%
EXPENSE		2026-27	ENCUMBERED	CURRENT	YEAR-TO-DATE	PERCENT
		BUDGET	BUDGET [2]	EXPENDITURES		EXPENDED
00	SALARIES & WAGES	\$ 72,800		\$ 6,062.00	\$39,403.00	54.13%
33	FRINGE BENEFITS	68,200		1,973.66	60,559.34	88.80%
03	SMALL TOOLS & EQUIP EXPENSE	9,500 ¹		66.47	8,657.84	91.14%
04	VEHICLE & ROLLING EQUIP REPAIR	3,000			1,853.97	61.80%
05	VEHICLE FUELS & LUBRICANTS	7,500		802.35	4,150.95	55.35%
07	GENERAL SUPPLIES & SERVICES	6,000			230.84	3.85%
09	TELEPHONE EXPENSES	3,300		471.94	2,199.25	66.64%
10	FIELD OFFICE EXPENSE	33,000 ¹		407.87	3,231.68	9.79%
26	CONSULTANT COSTS	187,200		15,948.57	181,630.40	97.02%
29	SUBSISTANCE AND TRAVEL	1,600		-	659.58	41.22%
32	INSURANCE	-		-	-	0.00%
90	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	200,000	56,200	8,612.50	79,989.92	31.22%
TOTAL		<u>\$ 592,100</u>	<u>\$ 56,200</u>	<u>\$ 34,345.36</u>	<u>\$ 382,566.77</u>	<u>59.01%</u>

¹ Budget Transfer Maint to Small Equip \$1,500

² Funds Carried Over from WY 25-26

Westlands Water District

Long Term Debt

September - 2026

Debt Outstanding & Notes	Total Bond Issue	Interest Rates	Total Debt Service	Paid to Date	Balance	Next Principal Payment	Next Interest Payment	Payment Due
Revenue Bond Series 2020A On April 1, 2020 the San Luis Unit/Westlands Water District Financing Authority issued \$197,990,000 Revenue Bonds, Series 2020A. The proceeds of the Bonds were used to secure a perpetual right to purchase water from the CVP and to prepay the District's capital obligation to Reclamation for the water contracts.	\$ 197,990,000.00	1.599% - 3.737%	\$ 330,395,471.33	\$ 10,675,000.00	\$ 187,315,000.00	\$ - \$ 5,480,000.00	\$ 3,096,926.00 \$ 3,096,926.00	3/1/2027 9/1/2027
2021B San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority Revenue Refund On January 26, 2021, the San Luis & Delta Mendota Water Authority (the Authority), issued Refunding Revenue Bonds Series 2021B in the amount of \$32,725,000 and other funds to refund \$33,080,000 of the outstanding Authority Refunding Revenue Bonds Series 2013A. The District is responsible for 82.885% of this debt.	\$ 27,124,116.25	0.35% - 3.04%	\$ 34,579,481.02	\$ 7,148,831.00	\$ 19,975,285.25	\$ 1,131,380.25 \$ -	\$ 252,622.70 \$ 244,250.49	3/1/2027 9/1/2027
Total LTD	\$ 252,489,116.25		\$ 393,075,510.56	\$ 45,198,831.00	\$ 207,290,285.25	\$ 6,611,380.25	\$ 6,690,725.20	

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT
GRANT REVENUE REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2026

Agency	Grant Name	Project	Total Award	Cost Share	Award Expensed to Date*	Grant Completion Date
DWR	Prop 68 Implementation Round 1 Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Grant	Westside Subbasin Recharge Optimization Study and Program	\$ 7,600,000	\$ -	\$ 7,600,000	05/31/2026
DWR	Proposition 1 Water Desalination Grant Program	Desalination and On-Farm Recycling Project	1,500,000	706,760	898,527	03/30/2028
DWR	LandFlex Grant Program	Westlands Water District GSA LandFlex Program	5,400,000	-	5,400,000	01/31/2026
DOC	MultiBenefit Land Repurposing Program (MLRP)	Westside Subbasin MLRP	8,890,000	-	684,075	03/30/2027
USBR	WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grant	Westlands Advanced Metering Infrastructure Project	1,160,000	1,059,583	1,059,583	06/30/2024
USBR	FY 2022 WaterSMART Small- Scale Water Efficiency Projects Grant	7-1 Pumping Plant Metering Project	100,000	33,898	33,898	05/31/2026
USBR	WaterSMART Planning and Project Design Grant	Westlands Lateral Interconnection Project	200,000	43,968	108,316	09/30/2027
DWR	Flood Diversion and Recharge Enhancement (FDRE) Initiative	FDRE Initiative (Land Clearing)	999,475	-	999,380	06/30/2026
CalOES	State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP)	CalOES Cybersecurity Grant	247,000	-	139,843	06/30/2026
USBR	WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grant	Westlands Advanced Metering Infrastructure Project - Surface Water Meters	1,808,338	-	-	12/31/2028
Total:			\$ 27,904,813	\$ 1,844,209	\$ 16,923,621	

* Cost Share not included

Westlands Water District Board of Directors

Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2026

Item 7b

Subject:

Board of Directors to Consider Approval of a 2026-2027 Mid-Year Budget Transfer and Augmentation

Strategic Plan Key Strategies:

5. Manage Finances Effectively

Discussion:

The purpose of this item is for the Board of Directors (Board) to consider the District's Mid-Year Budget Review. The District's 2026-2027 Adopted Budget, including Bollibokka, totaled \$217,722,200, and the 2026-2027 Adjusted Budget as of September 30, 2026, is \$252,667,000. As part of the Mid-Year Budget Review process, staff reviewed estimated revenues, budgeted expenses, and water deliveries. The following sections summarize key findings and proposed adjustments.

Estimated Revenues and Expenses for Water and Power

Staff reviewed the status of 2026-2027 District revenues and expenses for water and power. The 2026-2027 Adopted Budget was based on a 20% Central Valley Project (CVP) water allocation plus other water supplies totaling 398,220 acre-feet (AF). On August 11, 2026, the United States Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) announced the CVP allocation for south of Delta water contractors would increase to 28%. Therefore, the estimated water and power revenues and expenses require adjustment.

The Non-Project Pumping budget includes power costs associated with water users pumping non-project water at Pumping Plants 6, 7-1, and 7-2. The adopted budget projected that 1,900 AF would be pumped through these facilities; however, actual pumping was lower due to decreased deliveries. Therefore, the proposed mid-year budget for Non-Project Pumping includes a \$200,000 reduction in the related expense and revenue line items.

The use of Project Use Energy and a reduced WDT rate lowered the District's Temporary Facilities distribution costs and associated revenues. Included in the mid-year budget is a reduction of \$200,000 for these line items.

Water expenses have also been adjusted. The largest increase in water related expenses is from the increase in CVP water supply. Total demand for supplemental water was slightly lower than originally projected, partially offsetting the increased expenses associated with the higher CVP allocation. Proposed adjustments to the various budget line items for water expenses will now reflect a projected delivered water supply of 463,672 AF, which includes 87,000 AF of supplemental water.

Estimated Revenues and Expenses for O&M Water Rate Calculation

With a 28% allocation, the delivered water supply to be used in the O&M water rate calculation totals 463,672 AF. No increase in O&M revenues is projected as part of the mid-year budget adjustments. Budgeted expenses included in the O&M rate are anticipated to decrease by approximately \$1,232,100, consisting of reductions of \$339,450 in salaries and benefit expenses, \$230,000 in legal expenses, \$40,000 in election expenses, \$1,400 in consultant costs, \$380,000 in the contingency budget, and \$241,250 due to a reduction in the benefit assessment shortfall. More detailed explanations of the changes to budgeted expenses are included below.

Mid-Year Budget Adjustments and Transfer of Expenses

Staff reviewed the status of each division's budget with the applicable division head. Where surpluses and deficits were identified, staff recommends transfers among expense lines as part of the overall mid-year budget adjustment. In accordance with the District's annual mid-year budget review, budget transfers are requested for the following:

Salaries & Fringe Benefits (Decrease \$566,200) – The 2026-2027 Adopted Budget included District negotiated salary and benefit increases and assumptions about future hirings for vacant positions, to the best of staff's knowledge at that time. Due to longer than anticipated vacancies staff forecast net savings in this expense code.

Premium Pay – Full Time Employees (Decrease \$2,000) – A small decrease is included as part of the budget adjustment to account for overtime pay for employees in the Finance and Admin Division that is no longer needed.

Distribution System (Decrease \$212,500) – The O&M Division has identified a net savings in the various distribution systems expense lines. The O&M Division is projecting significant savings from Outside Services because actual project and valve expenses were lower than originally estimated.

Small Tools and Equipment (Increase \$8,000) – O&M Division has included a small net increase in this account through the end of the budget year for replacement of worn-out tools.

Vehicle Fuels & Lube (Increase \$5,000) – The O&M Division is projecting net increase in this account through the end of the budget year due to higher than anticipated fuel costs.

Safety Supplies & Training (Increase \$2,500) – The O&M Division is requesting additional funds to cover safety harness and lanyard purchases not included in the original budget.

General Supplies & Services (Decrease \$7,600) – The Resources Division projects a net savings of \$15,000 from irrigation evaluations, partially offset by a \$7,400 increase in the Finance and Administration Division for online payment service fees and document storage costs that were not originally anticipated.

Telephone (Decrease \$4,600) – The Finance and Administration Division is projecting net savings in this expense code as fewer tablet and/or cell phone purchases are anticipated than originally planned.

Field Office (Increase \$1,000) – Overall slight net increase in the O&M division for increased pumping costs.

Computer Related Expenses (Increase \$83,200) – O&M Division has increased their budget to account for increased SCADA service charges not included in the original budget and the Finance and Administration Division has opted for an alternative to the

server upgrades capital project originally approved. An offsetting budget reduction in the capital projects budget line is also included in the mid-year budget.

Power Purchases (Decrease \$400,000) – The Temporary Facilities expense line item is projected to have savings of \$200,000 and the Non-project Pumping expense line item is projected to have savings of \$200,000, due to lower pumping needs.

Water Purchases (Increase \$3,902,400) – The water purchases budget was based on a 20% CVP water allocation and other water supplies. For budgetary and O&M water rate purposes, the District is projecting a delivered water supply of 463,672 AF. The largest adjustments in the water purchases budget are the increase of \$6.7 million in San Luis Cost of Service line item due to increased CVP water allocation and the increase of \$1.4 million in Restoration Fund Ag line item due to increased CVP water allocation. A reduction of \$4.3 million is projected in Other water line item due to a decrease in the District's supplemental pool cost.

Advertising & Public Notices (Increase \$21,900) – Finance & Administration Division projects a net increase for this expense code related to executive management job advertising expenses not originally anticipated.

Fresno Office Expense (Increase \$87,000) – Finance & Administration Division projects net increase due to higher than expected costs on the planned roof replacement project for the Fresno office.

Dues, Subscriptions & Publications (Increase \$9,000) – The General Manager Division requests an increase of \$8,000 for a Water Education Foundation membership. The remaining increase is due to several slightly higher annual membership costs across all divisions.

Legal Expenses (Decrease \$400,000) – The General Manager Division projects \$400,000 of the contingent legal budget will not get used in the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

Consultants (Decrease \$273,500) – Overall a decrease is expected with significant savings in the Finance and Administration and Resources Divisions offsetting slight increase in the General Manager Division.

Accounting & Management Audit (Decrease \$7,700) – Finance & Administration Division anticipates a decrease because a Single Audit will not be required.

Election Expense (Decrease \$40,000) – Finance & Administration Division anticipates a decrease due to not needing to conduct a General Board election and lower than anticipated costs to conduct the Prop 218 Special Benefit Assessment process.

Land Management (Increase \$96,300) – Increased costs related to the STAR ASR and Pasajero Recharge facilities.

Subsistence & Travel (Increase \$1,000) – Overall a slight increase due to shifting conference choices and anticipated increased travel expenses due to inflation.

Fringe Benefits (Decrease \$106,300) – After review of all employees a net budget decrease across all Divisions is requested. This includes a small increase for the Bollibokka budget, which is offset by User Fee revenue.

Miscellaneous Refunds (Decrease \$300,000) – Finance & Administration Division anticipates a decrease in budget necessary to accommodate refunds and other legal agreements originally anticipated at budget adoption.

Reserve Contributions (Increase \$130,200) – O&M – This expense line item is being increased to reflect the additional O&M reserve to be collected on the revised projected water estimate. This increase is fully offset by an increase in O&M reserve revenues.

Debt Service (Increase \$2,000) – This increase accounts for a late invoice for services related to the 2016A defeasance that was not included in the original budget.

Capital Assets (Increase \$210,000) – Projected net increase due to a planned acquisition of a replacement crane for the O&M Division. The crane will replace equipment the District has rented on a long-term basis and is expected to reduce future rental costs.

New Construction-DS-Repair (Decrease \$38,900) – The projected net decrease reflects savings on the Desalination Project, which was originally budgeted and funded through O&M in fiscal year 2025-2026. The expense was carried over and therefore its elimination will be a net savings to this year's budget.

After the mid-year budget is approved any future changes to the budget that require appropriations will need to utilize the remaining contingency budget, approximately \$590,000. The rate adjustments resulting from the mid-year budget review, retroactive to March 1, 2026, is included in the Board's agenda in a subsequent item (7c).

Proposed Motion:

Move that the Board of Directors Approve the 2026-2027 Budget Transfer and Augmentation as Noted in Attachment 1.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposed motion.

Attachments:

1. 2026-2027 Mid-year budget adjustments

ATTACHMENT 1

WWD Mid - Year Budget Increase/Decrease

FY 2027

REVENUE DETAIL

Revenue Type	Decrease Revenue	Increase Revenue	Total
O&M WATER SALES	\$ (1,232,100)	\$ -	\$ (1,232,100)
IRRIGATION WATER TOLLS	-	3,902,400.00	3,902,400.00
M&I WATER TOLLS	-	-	-
O&M RESERVE FUNDING	-	130,200.00	130,200.00
TEMP FACILITIES POWER	(200,000.00)	-	(200,000.00)
NON PROJECT POWER	(200,000.00)	-	(200,000.00)
GROUNDWATER MGT PROG	-	-	-
NON PROJECT PUMPING OTHER	-	-	-
INTEREST	-	-	-
ASSESSMENTS	-	-	-
BENEFIT CHARGES	-	-	-
LAND BASED CHARGES	(167,800.00)	-	(167,800.00)
LONG TERM WATER SUPPLY	-	-	-
DISTRICT WATER SUPPLY	-	-	-
MISCELLANEOUS	(255,500.00)	-	(255,500.00)
LAND LEASE REVENUE	-	-	-
STATE IRRIGATION PROGRAM	-	-	-
IRRIGATION SYSTEM LEASES	-	-	-
BOLLIBOKKA USER FEES	-	2,400.00	2,400.00
TR FROM RESERVES	(88,000.00)	-	(88,000.00)
FUND BALANCE	(71,300.00)	-	(71,300.00)
	\$ (2,214,700)	\$ 4,035,000	\$ 1,820,300

ATTACHMENT 1

WWD Mid - Year Budget Increase/Decrease

FY 2027

Negative = Decrease in Budget Line**Positive** = Increase in Budget Line

EXPENSE SUMMARY

Exp. Code	Account Description	Budget Increase / (Decrease)
00	SALARIES & FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ (566,200)
01	PREMIUM PAY - FULL TIME EMPLOYEES	(2,000)
02	DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM	(212,500)
03	SMALL TOOL & EQUIPMENT	8,000
05	VEHICLE FUELS & LUBE	5,000
06	SAFETY SUPPLIES & TRAINING	2,500
07	GENERAL SUPPLIES & SERVICES	(7,600)
09	TELEPHONE	(4,600)
10	FIELD OFFICE	1,000
11	COMPUTER RELATED EXPENSES	83,200
12	POWER PURCHASE	(400,000)
13	WATER PURCHASE	3,902,400
17	ADVERTISING & PUBLIC NOTICE	21,900
20	FRESNO OFFICE EXPENSE	87,000
21	OUTSIDE PRINTING	0
22	OFFICE SUPPLIES	100
24	DUES, SUBSCRIPTIONS & PUBLICATIONS	9,000
25	LEGAL EXPENSES	(400,000)
26	CONSULTANTS	(273,500)
27	ACCOUNTING-ANNUAL & MGMT AUDIT	(7,700)
28	ELECTION EXPENSE	(40,000)
29	SUBSISTENCE & TRAVEL	1,000
33	FRINGE BENEFITS	(106,300)
39	LAND MANAGEMENT - ASR RECHARGE	96,300
40	MISC. REFUNDS	(300,000)
50	RESERVE CONTRIBUTIONS - O & M	130,200
69	REFUNDING REV BONDS 2016A-MISC	2,000
72	SLDMWA 2021B MISC	0
90	CAPITAL ASSETS	210,000
93	NEW CONSTRUCTION	(38,900)
98	CONTINGENCY RESERVE	(380,000)
Total:		<u>\$ 1,820,300</u>

Westlands Water District Board of Directors

Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2026

Item 7c

Subject:

Board of Directors to Consider Revised 2026-2027 Water Rates and Charges

Retroactive to March 1, 2026

Strategic Plan Key Strategies:

5. Protect Manage Finances Effectively

Discussion:

The purpose of this item is for the Board of Directors to review changes that have occurred since the last water rate update, including adjustments to projected deliveries and budget modifications, and determine whether water rates should be revised. Staff has analyzed these changes and their impact on rates using the historic methodology and have provided recommended adjustments for consideration. Staff further recommends that any changes to water rates and charges be applied retroactively to March 1, 2026. As shown in Attachment 2, the changes recommended by staff would decrease or cause no change in all District water rates and charges, except for the Overuse of Water Supply Fee, discussed in more detail below. The Transfer Out O&M Credit and the Temporary Facility Credit would decrease by \$1.17/AF and \$1.65/AF, respectively. The only other adjustment is a \$0.40/AF increase in the USBR Restoration Fund component of Bureau charges, which will not be part of the retroactive application.

Background

On February 20, 2025, the Board of Directors adopted Resolution 102-25, which established the District's maximum allowable rate for Water Rates and Charges and Land-Based Charges in accordance with Proposition 218. Pursuant to Section 53756 of the Government Code, the District's rates and charges were adopted with an automatic schedule of adjustments (automatic adjustments) that account for inflation based on the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers in the Pacific Division, series ID CUUR0490SA0, in addition to pass through wholesaler charges. These rates and

charges do not exceed the District's proportional cost of providing service and may be automatically increased on March 1 of each year for a period of five years. The Board of Directors retains full discretion to set rates that are lower than the maximum allowable rate but at no time may set rates above the maximum allowable rate without complying with Proposition 218 and other required statutes.

On January 29, 2026 the District provided notice of automatic adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2026-27 rates and charges and on February 19, 2026, the Board of Directors adopted rates and charges for the 2026-2027 water year based on a total projected delivery of 398,220 acre-feet (AF), which reflected a 20% Central Valley Project (CVP) allocation. On February 26, 2026, the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) announced an initial 2026 water supply allocation for south-of-Delta CVP irrigation contractors of 15% of their contract total. The allocation was subsequently raised incrementally in March, May, and finally on August 11, 2026, to 28%. Based on the 28% CVP allocation and current estimates for supplemental water supplies and deliveries, the District's total projected deliveries are now 463,672 AF.

Increased Water Supply Impact

Several District water rates are influenced by projected water delivery levels. The revised rates presented in this item reflect the impact of an eight-percentage-point increase in the CVP allocation, which adds 65,452 AF to projected deliveries. Rates affected by this change include:

- District O&M
- Acquired M&I Supply
- Temporary Facility Credit
- Water Exchange Obligation
- SWRCB Water Rights Fee
- Transfer Out O&M Credit
- Acquired Supply – NASL

Mid-Year Budget Impact

In a prior Board Item at this meeting (7b), the Board will review changes to projected final expenses for the 2026-2027 fiscal year that, if approved, would result in budget adjustments. Although total expenses will increase by \$1.8 million, most of the increase relates to pass-through water and power charges and will be offset by corresponding revenue increases. Expense reductions totaling approximately \$1.2 million directly impact the Operations and Maintenance (O&M) water rate and will result in a decrease to the rate. Accounting for the increase in projected deliveries, the proposed District

O&M water rate for the remainder of the year is estimated to be \$34.04/AF. Rates affected by this change include:

- District O&M
- Transfer Out O&M Credit
- Acquired M&I Supply
- Acquired Supply – NASL
- Overuse of Water Supply
- Temporary Facility Credit

Supplemental Water Price Impact

The District imposes overuse rates when a water user uses water in excess of their available allocated supply and does not provide replacement water, requiring the District to acquire water to cover the overuse. When rates were initially adopted, the fully delivered cost of supplemental water included in the Overuse of Water Supply Fee was estimated at \$718/AF. Now that supply negotiations are complete, the actual average fully delivered cost is \$783/AF. This updated rate of \$783/AF is below the maximum allowable rate adopted by the Board of Directors pursuant to Prop 218. Staff therefore recommends updating the fee to reflect this cost.

Summary

To reflect these changes, Staff recommends adjusting the 2026-2027 Water Rates and Charges (Attachment 1) that have been affected by changes in deliveries and District O&M and Supplemental water rates discussed in this agenda item.

Proposed Motion:

Move that the Board of Directors approve the Revised 2026-2027 Water Rates & Charges, retroactive to March 1, 2026, as listed in Attachment 1.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposed motion.

Attachments:

1. Revised Westlands Water District 2026-2027 Water Rates and Charges Retroactive to March 1, 2026
2. Westlands Water District 2026-2027 Comparative Water Rates and Charges

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT
2026-27 WATER RATES & CHARGES
October 20, 2026 (Mid-Year Rates WWD 28% & SLDMWA 25%)
Effective March 1, 2026

**Cost of
Service**

AGRICULTURAL WATER RATES

**United States Bureau of
Reclamation [1]**

Water Rates	\$ 36.06
Restoration Fund [2]	\$ 14.04

San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority [3]

Authority O&M - Actual 25%	\$ 75.32
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Westlands Water District [4]

District O&M	\$ 34.04
Water Exchange Obligation [5]	\$ 2.83
SWRCB Water Rights Fee	\$ 5.39

Total Agricultural Water Rate	<u>\$ 167.68</u>
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Transfer Out O&M Credit

Transfer Out O&M Credit	\$ (13.68)
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MUNICIPAL AND INDUSTRIAL WATER RATES

Acquired Supply	\$ 218.29
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Acquired Supply - NASL	\$ 775.89
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NOTES:

- [1] U S Bureau of Reclamation rates calculated the Districts rates on the basis of a 42.28% CVP water supply
- [2] U S Bureau of Reclamation Restoration Fund rate is not retroactive to March 1st
- [3] San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority rates are on the basis of 25% CVP supply and estimated water use
- [4] Westlands Water District rates are calculated on the basis of 28% CVP Supply plus Other Water resulting in 463,672 AF
Total Estimated Supply
- [5] Water Exchange Obligation rate is not paid by Pre-Merged or Annexed lands

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT
2026-27 WATER RATES & CHARGES
October 20, 2026 (Mid-Year Rates WWD 28% & SLDMWA 25%)
Effective March 1, 2026

Land Based Charges	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Unit</u>
District Water Supply D.S. - Area 1	\$ -	AC
District Water Supply D.S. - Area 2	\$ -	AC
Extraordinary Repairs of Pipe - Area 1 and Area 2	\$ 3.00	AC
Drainage Service Area	\$ -	AC
Westlands Water Quality Coalition	\$ 3.73	AC
Sustainable Groundwater Management Act	\$ 2.50	AC
USBR Capital Repayment Debt Service	\$ 12.66	AC
Benefit Assessment Charges [6]		
Eligible for Other Water Supply	\$ 13.19	AC
Eligible for CVP Allocation [7]	\$ 45.30	AC
Sustainable Groundwater Management Act		
Service Charge Per Groundwater Well Location	\$ 2,750.00	EA
Usage Charges		
Overuse of Water Supply	\$ 783.00	AF
Administrative Fee [8]	\$ 388.37	Mile
Groundwater Management Program and Temporary Facilities		
Groundwater Management Program	Varies by Facility	AF
Temporary Facilities Surcharge	Varies by Facility	AF
Temporary Facility Credit [9]	\$ (14.53)	AF
Account Monitoring Charges		
Overuse Monitoring	\$ 5,543.00	EA
Delinquent Payment Monitoring	\$ 73.00	EA
Advance Payment Monitoring	\$ 280.00	EA
Meter Turn Off for Use Without Order	\$ 1,055.22	Per Lateral
Municipal and Industrial		
M&I Inspections [10]	\$ 79.87	EA
Acquired Supply Advance [11]	\$ 218.29	EA
Parcel Information Requests Fees		
Fee Without Bank Assurance Letter		
For 1 to 5 Parcels	\$ 96.03	Per Request
For 6 to 10 Parcels	\$ 134.41	Per Request
For 11 to 75 Parcels	\$ 247.17	Per Request
Fee With Bank Assurance Letter		
For 1 to 5 Parcels	\$ 292.44	Per Request
For 6 to 10 Parcels	\$ 493.77	Per Request
For 11 to 75 Parcels	\$ 695.11	Per Request

NOTES:

- [6] As listed in the 2017 Benefit Assessment Engineer's Report
- [7] Land eligible for CVP Allocation are also eligible for other water delivery; therefore the rate is the sum of both category assignments.
- [8] Charged per mile of lateral drained for each delivery point
- [9] Temporary Facility Credits are billed on a per acre-foot basis for water delivered through temporary facilities
- [10] M&I Backflow Inspection costs are billed annually to each non-agricultural connection
- [11] Advance requirement doubles if prior year annual use is greater than one acre-foot. Based on adopted Acquired Supply rate.

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT 2026-27 WATER RATES & CHARGES (Comparison of Recommended 20% 2026-2027 Rates with Mid-Year 28% 2026-27 Rates) October 20, 2026 - Retroactive to 3/1/2026					
Description	28% 2026-27 Mid-Year	20% 2026-27 Recommended	Variance		
<u>AGRICULTURAL WATER RATES</u>					
United States Bureau of Reclamation					
Water Rates	\$ 36.06	\$ 36.06	\$ -		
Restoration Fund [1]	\$ 14.04	\$ 13.64	\$ 0.40		
San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority					
Authority O&M (25%)	\$ 75.32	\$ 75.32	\$ -		
Westlands Water District					
District O&M	\$ 34.04	\$ 42.02	\$ (7.98)		
Water Exchange Obligation	\$ 2.83	\$ 4.02	\$ (1.19)		
SWRCB Water Rights Fee	\$ 5.39	\$ 7.53	\$ (2.14)		
Total Agricultural Water Rate	\$ 167.68	\$ 178.59	\$ (10.91)		
Transfer Out O&M Credit					
Transfer Out O&M Credit	\$ (13.68)	\$ (14.85)	\$ 1.17		
<u>MUNICIPAL AND INDUSTRIAL WATER RATES</u>					
Acquired Supply	\$ 218.29	\$ 233.44	\$ (15.15)		
Acquired Supply - NASL	\$ 775.89	\$ 908.72	\$ (132.83)		
Land Based Charges					
	Amount	Amount	Variance	Unit	
District Water Supply D.S. - Area 1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	AC	
District Water Supply D.S. - Area 2	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	AC	
Extraordinary Repairs of Pipe - Area 1 and Area 2	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00	\$ -	AC	
Drainage Service Area	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	AC	
Westlands Water Quality Coalition	\$ 3.73	\$ 3.73	\$ -	AC	
Sustainable Groundwater Management Act	\$ 2.50	\$ 2.50	\$ -	AC	
USBR Capital Repayment Debt Service	\$ 12.66	\$ 12.66	\$ -	AC	
Benefit Assessment Charges					
Eligible for Other Water Supply	\$ 13.19	\$ 13.19	\$ -	AC	
Eligible for CVP Allocation	\$ 45.30	\$ 45.30	\$ -	AC	
Sustainable Groundwater Management Act					
Service Charge Per Groundwater Well Location	\$ 2,750.00	\$ 2,750.00	\$ -	EA	
Usage Charges					
Overuse of Water Supply	\$ 783.00	\$ 718.00	\$ 65.00	AF	
Administrative Fee	\$ 388.37	\$ 388.37	\$ -	Mile	
Groundwater Management Program and Temporary Facilities					
Groundwater Management Program	Varies by Facility	Varies by Facility		AF	
Temporary Facilities Surcharge	Varies by Facility	Varies by Facility		AF	
Temporary Facility Credit	\$ (14.53)	\$ (16.18)	\$ 1.65	AF	
Account Monitoring Charges					
Overuse Monitoring	\$ 5,543.00	\$ 5,543.00	\$ -	EA	
Delinquent Payment Monitoring	\$ 73.00	\$ 73.00	\$ -	EA	
Advance Payment Monitoring	\$ 280.00	\$ 280.00	\$ -	EA	
Meter Turn Off for Use Without Order	\$ 1,055.22	\$ 1,055.22	\$ -	Per Lateral	
Municipal and Industrial					
M&I Inspections	\$ 79.87	\$ 79.87	\$ -	EA	
Acquired Supply Advance	\$ 218.29	\$ 233.44	\$ (15.15)	EA	
Parcel Information Requests Fees					
Fee Without Bank Assurance Letter					
For 1 to 5 Parcels	\$ 96.03	\$ 96.03	\$ -	Per Request	
For 6 to 10 Parcels	\$ 134.41	\$ 134.41	\$ -	Per Request	
For 11 to 75 Parcels	\$ 247.17	\$ 247.17	\$ -	Per Request	
Fee With Bank Assurance Letter					
For 1 to 5 Parcels	\$ 292.44	\$ 292.44	\$ -	Per Request	
For 6 to 10 Parcels	\$ 493.77	\$ 493.77	\$ -	Per Request	
For 11 to 75 Parcels	\$ 695.11	\$ 695.11	\$ -	Per Request	

[1] U S Bureau of Reclamation Restoration Fund rate is not retroactive to March 1st

Westlands Water District Board of Directors

Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2026

Item 7d

Subject:

Board of Directors to Receive Update on 2027-2028 Budget Schedule

Strategic Plan Key Strategies:

5. Manage Finances Effectively

Discussion:

The purpose of this agenda item is for the Board of Directors to receive an update on the 2027-2028 Budget Schedule for Westlands Water District. The planning and development of the annual budget is a significant undertaking that requires meeting specific statutory timelines for preparation, presentation and adoption including any necessary rate adjustments through the Prop 218 process. The 2027-2028 budget schedule is attached for the Board's information and is similar to prior years including, if necessary, a special Finance & Administration Committee meeting in January 2027 to review the requested budget presentations from the District's four divisions:

- General Manager
- Resources
- Operations & Maintenance
- Finance & Administration

The Proposed Budget presentation is scheduled for the January 19, 2027, Finance & Administration Committee meeting, with the Recommended Budget for the Board's review and approval planned for February 16, 2027.

Proposed Motion:

No proposed motion.

Recommendation:

Direct staff as appropriate.

Attachments:

1. Budget Schedule 2027-28

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT
2027-2028 BUDGET SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Action</u>
October 9, 2026	General Accounting distributes annual budget request forms to all divisions
November 9 – 13, 2026	Division/Department Heads meetings with G/A to go over budget requests
November 16, 2026	Divisions submit completed budget requests to General Accounting
December 3, 2026	General Accounting distributes budget document to management
December 17, 2026	General Manager meets with Division Heads to review budget
December 18, 2026	First draft O&M rate calculation due
December 28, 2026	First draft rate calculations due
December 31, 2026	Proposition 218 Notice released
January 4, 2027	General Accounting distributes General Manager's approved budget document to all divisions.
Week of January 4, 2027	Finance & Administration Committee Meeting to review requested budget (If Necessary) . Memo to Finance & Administration Committee is prepared
January 11, 2027	Second draft rate calculations due
January 15, 2027	Proposed Budget is distributed to Finance & Administration Committee
January 19, 2027	Finance & Administration Committee reviews the Proposed Budget
January 19, 2027	Board hearing on Rates, Charges and Land Based Charges
February 16, 2027	Finance & Administration Committee reviews the Recommended budget
February 16, 2027	Board approves the Budget, Rates and Charges, Salary Schedule and Estimate of Obligations and Revenues (Board Date)
February 28, 2027	Board approved budget document to Board of Directors and all divisions

Westlands Water District Board of Directors

Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2026

Item 7e

Subject:

Board of Directors to Consider Approving the Allocation of Drought Pool Water, Cushion Water, and System Gain

Strategic Plan Key Strategies:

1. Protect Central Valley Project (CVP) Contract and Secure Supplemental Water Supplies
2. Enhance Groundwater Resources
3. Prioritize Critical Infrastructure Needs

Discussion:

The purpose of this item is for the Board of Directors (Board) to consider the allocation of the District's portion of the Drought Pool, Cushion Water, and System Gain.

The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) is releasing the District's portion of the Drought Pool to the District for allocation. The purpose of the Drought Pool allocation is to allow water users to limit groundwater pumping through the end of the 2026-2027 contract year and to store the District's share of Drought Pool supply in the Westside Subbasin through in-lieu recharge. The allocation is not intended to increase the total amount of water the District reschedules.

Staff is also prepared to allocate Cushion Water in the amount of 7,000 AF (water set aside for system losses and other uses, including 1,000 AF of unallocated Centinella and Widren supplies) and System Gain in the amount of 1,000 AF to water users.

Unless otherwise directed by the Board:

- 1) Drought Pool water will be allocated to water users who apply for it. Each applicant's share will be based on the AF available and the irrigable acres of the accounts with unfilled Drought Pool requests. When an account's request is filled,

that account and its irrigable acres will be removed from the calculation, and the remaining water will be shared among the other accounts.

- 2) Cushion Water will be allocated to water users who have remaining requests from their 2026-2027 Agricultural Water Allocation Application.
- 3) System Gain will be allocated in accordance with Article 2 of the District's Rules and Regulations, which provides that System Gain is distributed to water users in direct proportion to the water used by each water user, excluding such use on acquired lands during the 2026-2027 contract year.

Proposed Motion:

Move that the Board of Directors approve the allocation of Drought Pool water to water users who apply for it, based on the AF available and the irrigable acres of accounts with unfilled requests, as described in this memo; Cushion Water to water users who have remaining requests for CVP water; and System Gain to water users in accordance with Article 2, during the 2026-2027 contract year.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposed motion.

Attachments:

None

Westlands Water District Board of Directors

Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2026

Item 7f

Subject:

Board of Directors to Consider Approving a Revised Salary Schedule Effective October 16, 2026

Strategic Plan Key Strategies:

6. Develop Workforce and Talent

Discussion:

The purpose of this item is for the Board of Directors (Board) to consider approving the revised Salary Schedule. In accordance with the California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 2, Section 570.5, all agencies contracting for benefits with the California Public Employees Retirement System must approve and adopt a pay schedule that meets specific CCR requirements.

The revised Salary Schedule reflects the addition of the new Water Resources Specialist classification and corrections to clerical errors identified in a few existing classifications.

The Water Resources Specialist position will be responsible for water resources planning, groundwater management, water supply reliability, environmental compliance, regulatory analysis, and strategic resource planning. The position will plan, coordinate, analyze, and manage programs, projects, and initiatives related to water resources, including activities associated with Central Valley Project (CVP) and State Water Project (SWP) operations. Responsibilities include conducting technical, economic, and policy analyses; developing recommendations; coordinating with regulatory agencies and stakeholders; evaluating hydrologic conditions, regulatory requirements, operational constraints, and water supply forecasts; and supporting the District's long-term resource management objectives.

Approval of the revised Salary Schedule will not impact the District's adopted FY 2026-2027 budget, as the proposed action will allow the District to recruit for and fill the position within existing, approved budget authority.

Proposed Motion:

Move that the Board of Directors approves the revised Salary Schedule effective October 16, 2026.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposed motion.

Attachment:

Westlands Water District Salary Schedule, effective October 16, 2026.

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT
SALARY SCHEDULE - EFFECTIVE ~~AUGUST~~ OCTOBER 16, 2026

CLASSIFICATION	CODE	MONTHLY PAY RANGE	UNIT	FLSA
ACCOUNTANT	23	\$7,371 - \$8,961	OCE	N
ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN	16	\$5,236 - \$6,366	OCE	N
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	19	\$6,062 - \$7,371	Non Rep	E
ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER	Band B	\$15,417 - \$27,500	At Will	E
ASSOCIATE ENGINEER	28	\$9,410 - \$11,440	OCE	E
ASSOCIATE GENERAL MANAGER - WATER POLICY	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E
ASSOCIATE RESOURCES ANALYST	21	\$6,685 - \$8,127	OCE	N
AUTOMOTIVE MECHANIC	15	\$5,082 - \$6,180	MNS	N
BUYER	17	\$5,498 - \$6,685	OCE	N
CARETAKER	15	\$4,986 - \$6,062	Non Rep	E
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	Band B	\$15,417 - \$27,500	At Will	E
CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER	Band B	\$15,417 - \$27,500	At Will	E
CIVIL MAINTENANCE WORKER	16	\$5,337 - \$6,489	MNS	N
CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE	17	\$5,498 - \$6,685	OCE	N
DEPUTY GENERAL COUNSEL	Band B	\$15,417 - \$27,500	At Will	E
DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER - ENERGY & POWER	Band C	\$13,750 - \$25,000	At Will	E
DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER - FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION	Band C	\$13,750 - \$25,000	At Will	E
DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER - GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC AFFAIRS	Band C	\$13,750 - \$25,000	At Will	E
DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER - OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE	Band C	\$13,750 - \$25,000	At Will	E
DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER - RESOURCES	Band C	\$13,750 - \$25,000	At Will	E
DIRECTOR OF SCIENCE	Band C	\$13,750 - \$25,000	At Will	E

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT
SALARY SCHEDULE - EFFECTIVE ~~AUGUST~~ OCTOBER 16, 2026

CLASSIFICATION	CODE	MONTHLY PAY RANGE	UNIT	FLSA
ELECTRICIAN	23	\$7,513 - \$9,134	MNS	N
ELECTRICIAN-APPRENTICE	20	\$6,489 - \$7,889	MNS	N
ELECTRICIAN-ASSISTANT	14	\$4,840 - \$5,885	MNS	N
ELECTRO-MECHANICAL TECHNICIAN	17	\$5,604 - \$6,814	MNS	N
ELECTRO-MECHANICAL TRAINEE	16	\$5,337 - \$6,489	MNS	N
EQUIPMENT MECHANIC	18	\$5,885 - \$7,155	MNS	N
EQUIPMENT OPERATOR	18	\$5,885 - \$7,155	MNS	N
EQUIPMENT OPERATOR-APPRENTICE	16	\$5,337 - \$6,489	MNS	N
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	25	\$8,127 - \$9,881	Non Rep	E
FIELD ENGINEER	25	\$8,127 - \$9,881	OCE	~~N~~
FINANCIAL ANALYST	24	\$7,740 - \$9,410	Non Rep	E
GENERAL COUNSEL	Band A	\$12,500 - \$41,500	At Will	E
GENERAL MANAGER	Band A	\$12,500 - \$41,500	At Will	E
HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	22	\$7,020 - \$8,534	Non Rep	E
HUMAN RESOURCES ASSISTANT	14	\$4,748 - \$5,773	Non Rep	N
HUMAN RESOURCES TECHNICIAN	15	\$4,986 - \$6,062	Non Rep	N
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ANALYST	25	\$8,127 - \$9,881	Non Rep	E
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OFFICER	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E
JUNIOR ACCOUNTANT	19	\$6,062 - \$7,371	OCE	N
LAW CLERK	22	\$7,020 - \$8,534	Non Rep	E
LEAD CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE	18	\$5,773 - \$7,020	OCE	N

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT
SALARY SCHEDULE - EFFECTIVE ~~AUGUST~~ OCTOBER 16, 2026

CLASSIFICATION	CODE	MONTHLY PAY RANGE	UNIT	FLSA
LEAD ELECTRO-MECHANICAL TECHNICIAN	25	\$8,284 - \$10,071	MNS	N
MACHINIST	18	\$5,885 - \$7,155	MNS	N
MAINTENANCE SCHEDULER	19	\$6,062 - \$7,371	OCE	N
MAINTENANCE SUPPORT WORKER	15	\$4,986 - \$6,062	OCE	N
MECHANICAL MAINTENANCE WORKER	16	\$5,337 - \$6,489	MNS	N
OFFICE ASSISTANT	12	\$4,305 - \$5,236	OCE	N
OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE TRAINEE	14	\$4,840 - \$5,885	MNS	N
PIPE FITTER	18	\$5,885 - \$7,155	MNS	N
PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE WORKER	15	\$5,082 - \$6,180	MNS	N
PUBLIC AFFAIRS REPRESENTATIVE	19	\$6,062 - \$7,371	Non Rep	E
RESOURCES ANALYST	24	\$7,740 - \$9,410	OCE	~~N~~ E
RESOURCES ENGINEER	25	\$8,127 - \$9,881	OCE	~~N~~ E
SAFETY OFFICER	25	\$8,127 - \$9,881	Non Rep	E
SCIENCE ADVISOR	Band C	\$13,750 - \$25,000	At Will	E
SENIOR ACCOUNTANT	24	\$7,740 - \$9,410	OCE	N
SENIOR AUTOMOTIVE & WAREHOUSE COORDINATOR	20	\$6,366 - \$7,740	OCE	N
SENIOR CIVIL MAINTENANCE WORKER	20	\$6,489 - \$7,889	MNS	N
SENIOR CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE	20	\$6,366 - \$7,740	OCE	N
SENIOR ELECTRICIAN	25	\$8,284 - \$10,071	MNS	N
SENIOR ENGINEER	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E
SENIOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ANALYST	27	\$8,961 - \$10,895	Non Rep	E

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT
SALARY SCHEDULE - EFFECTIVE ~~AUGUST~~ **OCTOBER** 16, 2026

<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>MONTHLY PAY RANGE</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>FLSA</u>
SENIOR MECHANICAL MAINTENANCE WORKER	19	\$6,180 - \$7,513	MNS	N
SENIOR PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE WORKER	19	\$6,180 - \$7,513	MNS	N
SENIOR WATER DISTRIBUTION OPERATOR	19	\$6,180 - \$7,513	MNS	N
SENIOR WATER MEASUREMENT SPECIALIST	20	\$6,489 - \$7,889	MNS	N
SUPERVISOR OF CIVIL & PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E
SUPERVISOR OF CUSTOMER ACCOUNTING	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E
SUPERVISOR OF ELECTRICAL MAINTENANCE	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E
SUPERVISOR OF FIELD ENGINEERING & PLANNING	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E
SUPERVISOR OF GENERAL ACCOUNTING	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E
SUPERVISOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES & ADMINISTRATION	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E
SUPERVISOR OF MECHANICAL MAINTENANCE	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E
SUPERVISOR OF OPERATIONS	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E
SUPERVISOR OF PROCUREMENT & FLEET SERVICES	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E
SUPERVISOR OF RESOURCES	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E
WATER DISTRIBUTION OPERATOR	15	\$5,082 - \$6,180	MNS	N
WATER MEASUREMENT SPECIALIST	18	\$5,885 - \$7,155	MNS	N
WATER MEASUREMENT TECHNICIAN	17	\$5,604 - \$6,814	MNS	N
WATER MEASUREMENT TRAINEE	16	\$5,337 - \$6,489	MNS	N
WATER RESOURCES ENGINEER	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E
WATER RESOURCES PROCUREMENT MANAGER	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E
WATER RESOURCES SPECIALIST	Band D	\$8,334 - \$16,668	At Will	E

**Westlands Water District Board of Directors Serving as the Groundwater
Sustainability Agency of the Westside Subbasin**

Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2026

Item 8a

Subject:

Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) - Serving as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) of the Westside Subbasin, Board of Directors to Receive an Update and/or Provide Input on SGMA Implementation/Compliance Activities, including Actions to Implement the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP)

Strategic Plan Key Strategies:

1. Protect Central Valley Project (CVP) Contract and Secure Supplemental Water Supplies
2. Enhance Groundwater Resources

Prior Month Accomplishments:

- Landowners pumped 20,200 AF of groundwater in September.
- Conducted cone penetration testing within the drainage impaired areas to investigate potential recharge areas.

Near-Term Deliverables (Six Months):

- Complete design and construct Pasajero Groundwater Recharge Project Phase 2 and the Los Gatos Recharge Project.
- Revise the Subsidence Prone Areas and SGMA Monitoring Network, and conduct outreach to potentially affected landowners.
- Conduct groundwater level monitoring in October and November.
- Construct and survey additional subsidence benchmarks within the Westside Subbasin.
- Host the next Advisory Committee/Technical Advisory Committee Meeting scheduled for February 22, 2027.

Subbasin Related Information:**Table 1: Total amount of groundwater available within the Westside Subbasin (1)**

Groundwater Credit Type	Previous CWY Balance	CWY 26/27 Credits	CWY 26/27 Usage YTD	Current Balance
Sustainable Yield	714,969	272,830	104,971	882,828
Transitional Allocation	762,974	181,216	104,756	839,434
Upper Aquifer- Recharge (see Note 2)	193,791	258	5,181	188,868
Lower Aquifer- Recharge (see Note 2)	191,920	150	1,498	190,572
Total	1,863,654	454,454	216,406	2,101,702

Notes:

1. As of September 30, 2026
2. Groundwater recharged prior to 2030 can be pumped from both aquifers.

Proposed Motion:

No proposed motion.

Recommendation:

None.

**Westlands Water District Board of Directors Serving as the Groundwater
Sustainability Agency of the Westside Subbasin**

Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2026

Item 8b

Subject:

Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) - Serving as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency of the Westside Subbasin, Board of Directors to Receive an Update on the 2026/27 Groundwater Conditions

Strategic Plan Key Strategies:

1. Protect Central Valley Project (CVP) Contract and Secure Supplemental Water Supplies
2. Enhance Groundwater Resources

Discussion:

The purpose of this item is for the Board of Directors (Board) to receive an update on groundwater use within the Westside Subbasin for the 2026/27 Contract Water Year (CWY).

Groundwater Pumping by Aquifer

Table 1 titled “2026/27 Active Groundwater Well by Aquifer”, shows there were 554 active wells that pumped groundwater during the first and second quarters of the 2026/27 CWY; 55 wells pumped from the Upper Aquifer, 399 wells pumped from the Lower Aquifer, and 100 composite wells screened across both aquifers. Active wells are wells that pumped more than 5 AF of groundwater. The Upper Aquifer is generally described as the aquifer above the Corcoran Clay or from ground surface to a depth of approximately 400 feet in areas where the Corcoran Clay is absent. The Lower Aquifer is generally described as the aquifer below the Corcoran Clay or, where the Corcoran Clay is absent, the unconfined or semiconfined aquifer that is deeper than approximately 400 feet below ground surface. Composite wells are screened in both the Upper Aquifer and Lower Aquifer. Figure 1 in the attachment, titled “Active Well Locations”, illustrates the distribution of wells by aquifer in which the wells are screened.

Table 1: 2026/27 Active Groundwater Wells by Aquifer

Aquifer	No. Wells
Upper	55
Lower	399
Composite	100
Total	554

District-wide groundwater pumping data for the 2026/27 CWY by month and aquifer are presented in Table 2. The amount of groundwater pumped through August was 195,000 AF, which is 159,500 AF more than the pumping in the first two quarters of the 2025/26 CWY and is 13,000 AF less than the 10-year average for pumping in Quarter 2. Overall, wells screened in the Upper Aquifer accounted for about 18 percent of pumping, while wells screened in the Lower Aquifer accounted for about 82 percent of pumping in the 2026/27 CWY.

Table 2: 2026/27 District-wide Groundwater Pumping by Aquifer in AF

Month	Upper Aquifer	Lower Aquifer	Total
March 2026	1,700	6,800	8,500
April 2026	4,600	18,400	23,000
May 2026	9,600	38,400	48,000
June 2026	6,000	32,000	38,000
July 2026	8,500	44,500	53,000
August 2026	4,000	20,500	24,500
Total	34,400	160,600	195,000

Figures 2 and 3 in the attachments, titled “Groundwater Pumping by Township and Range – Upper/Lower Aquifer,” illustrate the distribution of pumping expressed in acre-feet (AF) per gross acre from March through August in 2026/27 CWY. Most of the pumping in the Upper Aquifer occurs in the southern area of the District. The highest localized concentration of pumping occurred south of Five Points and northeast of Huron. Pumping in the Lower Aquifer is dispersed relatively evenly throughout the District.

Historical Groundwater Pumping by CVP Allocation

Groundwater pumping in the District fluctuates annually and depends primarily on the CVP contract allocation. Table 3 below compares District-wide groundwater pumping

and the District's CVP Allocation, while Figure 4 in the attachments, titled "Water Supply 1988 Through 2026," compares District-wide groundwater pumping, the District's CVP Allocation, acres fallowed, and the precipitation measured for the 8-Station Index (average precipitation at eight weather stations in Northern California's Sierra Nevada) from 2007 to present. Based on the number of irrigated acres and the past groundwater usage tendencies, the District projects groundwater pumping for 2026/27 CWY to be 260,000 AF.

Table 3: Water Supply History

Year	Groundwater Pumping (AF)	CVP Allocation
2007/08	310,000	50%
2008/09	460,000	40%
2009/10	480,000	10%
2010/11	140,000	45%
2011/12	45,000	80%
2012/13	355,000	40%
2013/14	638,000	20%
2014/15	655,000	0%
2015/16	660,000	0%
2016/17	612,000	5%
2017/18	54,000	100%
2018/19	328,000	50%
2019/20	89,000	75%
2020/21	493,000	20%
2021/22	636,000	0%
2022/23	603,000	0%
2023/24	9,800	100%
2024/25	96,700	50%
2025/26	45,000	55%
2026/27	260,000	28%

The current groundwater pumping projection is **less** than the Westside Subbasin's Sustainable Yield (305,000 AF), demonstrating landowners' effectiveness at managing and conserving groundwater resources.

Proposed Motion:

No proposed motion.

Recommendation:

None.

Attachments:

1 – Active Well Locations

2 – Groundwater Pumping by Township and Range – Upper Aquifer

3 – Groundwater Pumping by Township and Range – Lower Aquifer

4 – Water Supply History

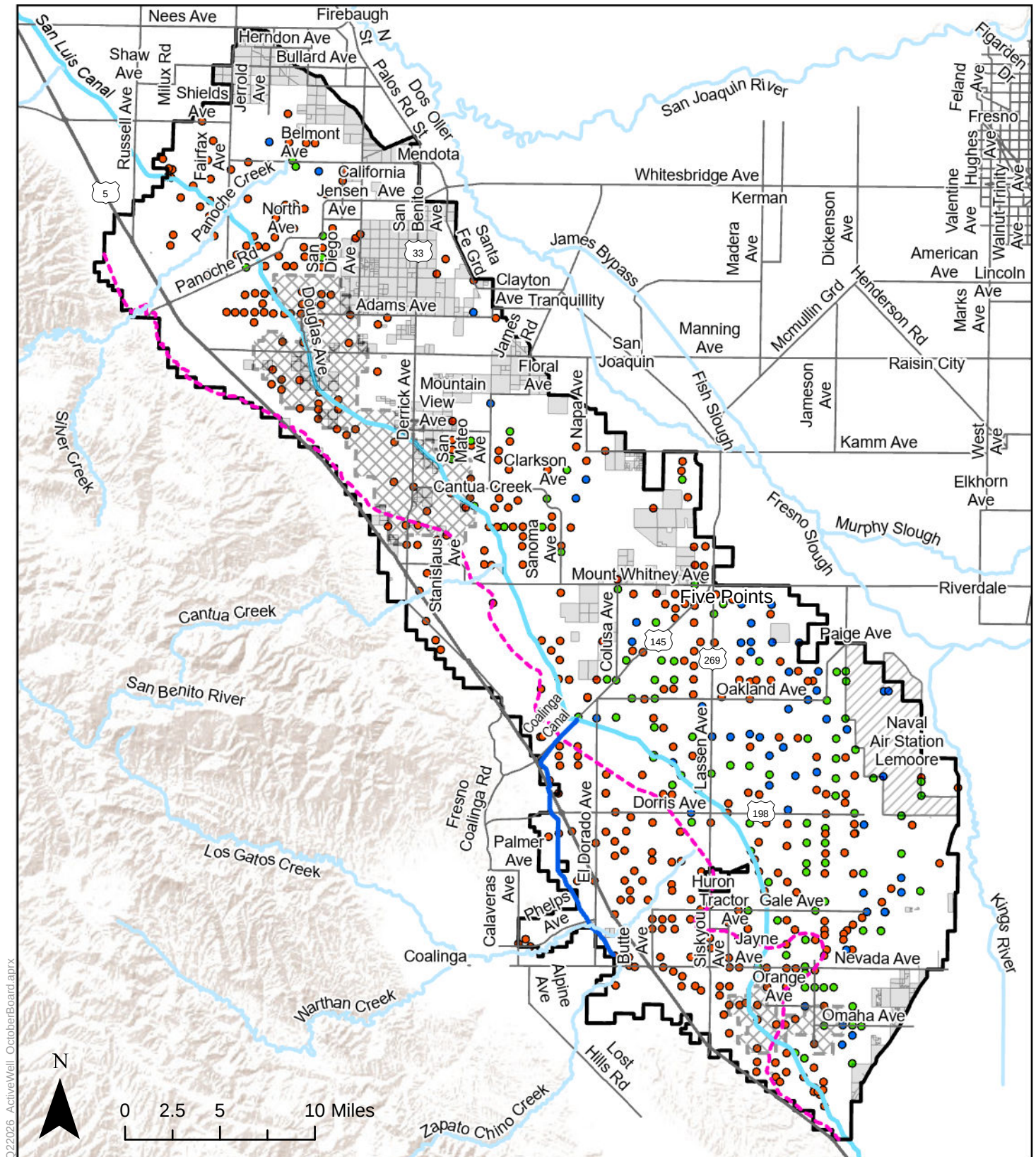
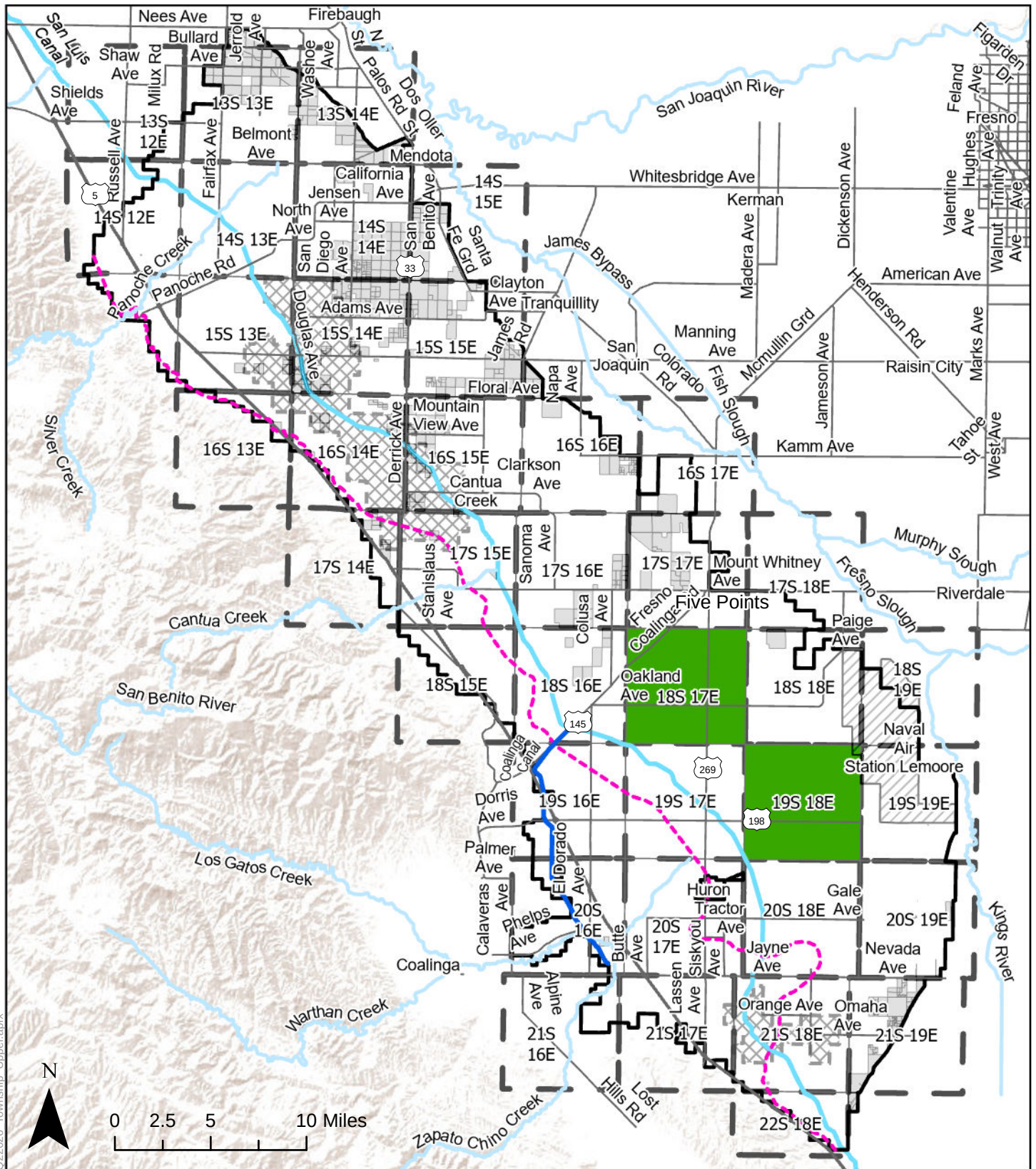


Figure 1
Active Well Locations
March 1, 2026 to August 31, 2026



Westlands Water District
 286 W. Cromwell Ave
 Fresno, CA 93711

Date: 10/6/2026



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|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Westlands Boundary | Corcoran Clay Extent | Naval Air Station Lemoore | AF/Acre |
| San Luis Canal | District Owned Land | | <0.15 |
| Coalinga Canal | Subsidence Prone Area | | 0.16-0.30 |
| Creek | | | |

Figure 2
Groundwater Pumping by Township
Upper Aquifer
March 1, 2026 to August 31, 2026



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Date: 10/7/2026

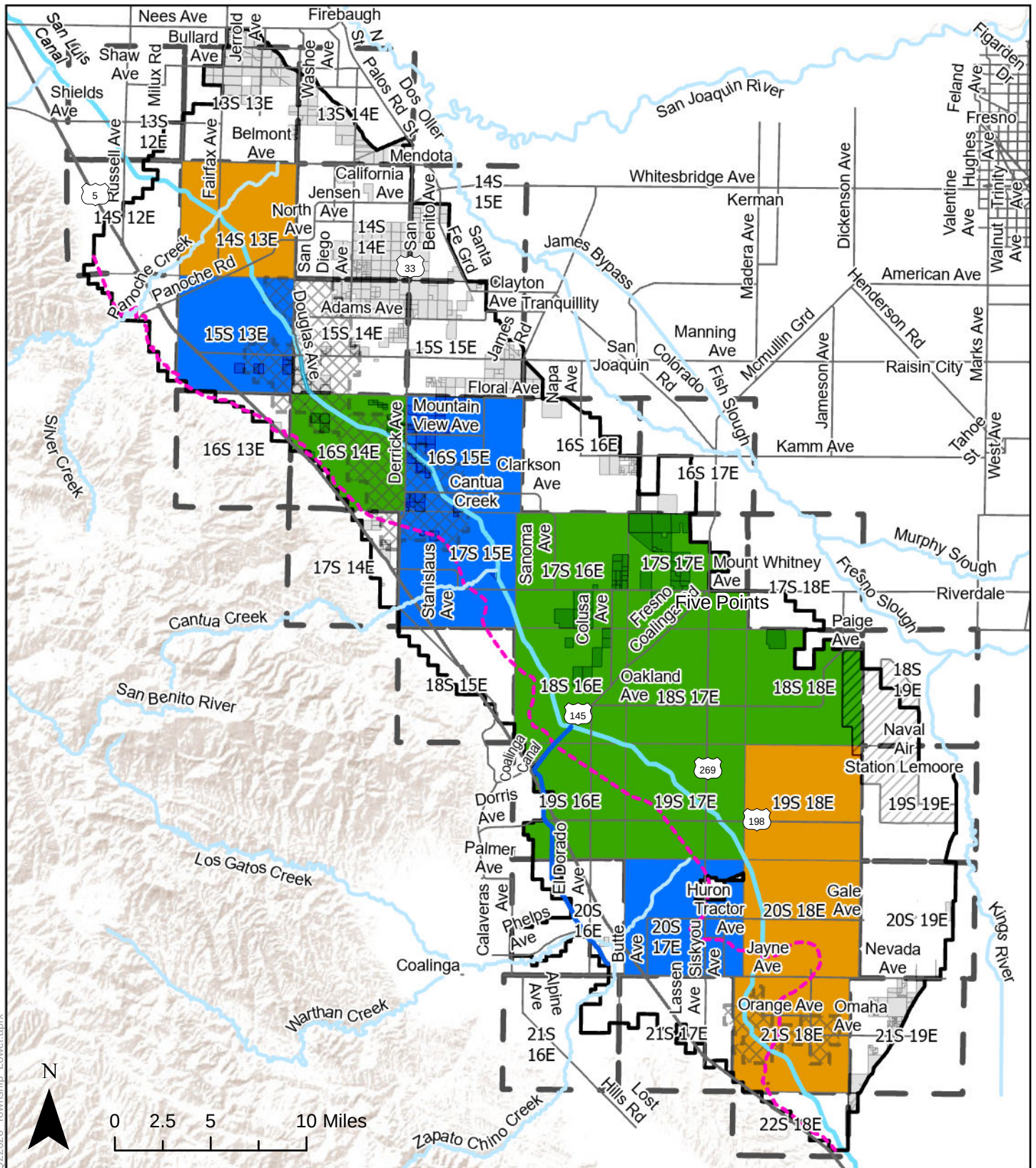


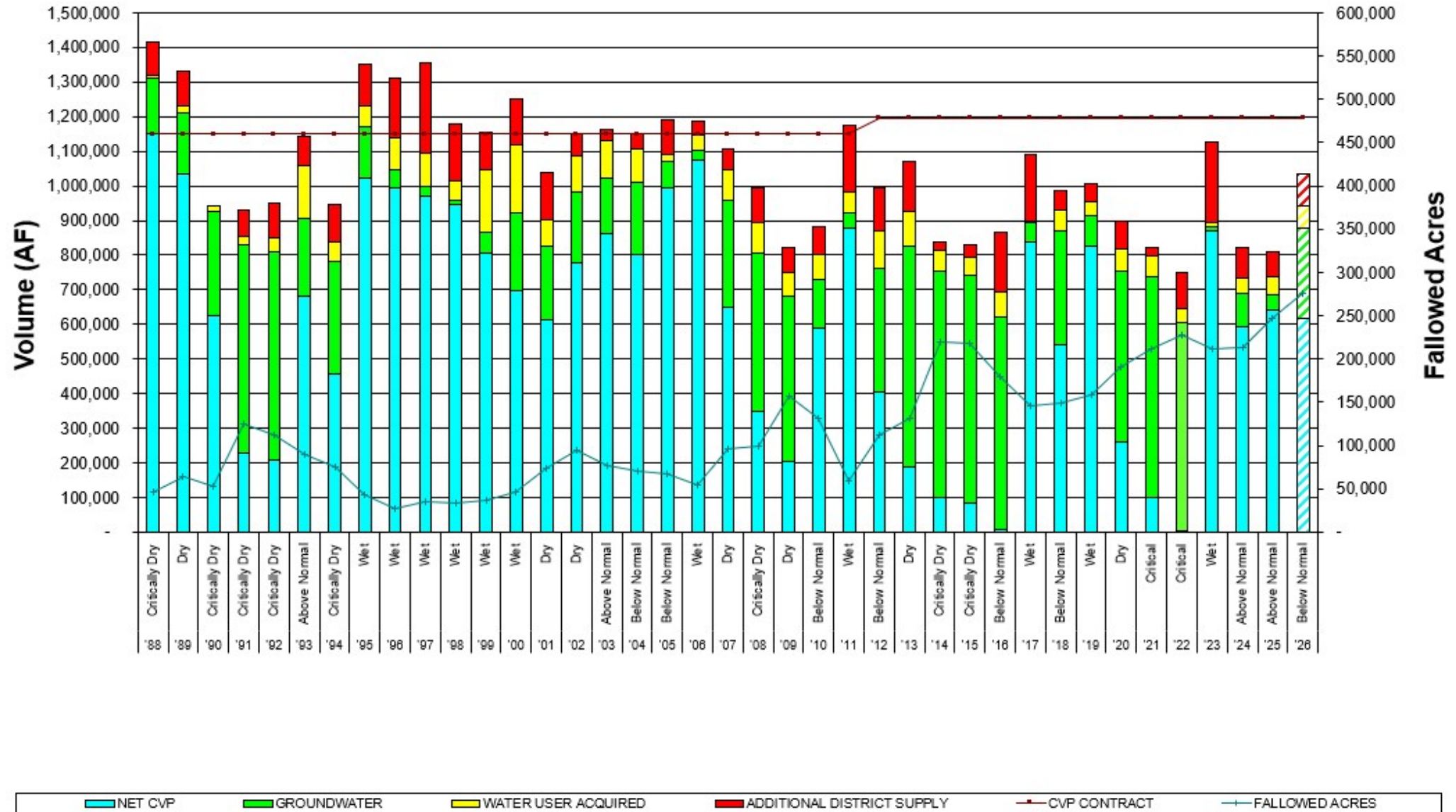
Figure 3
Groundwater Pumping by Township
Lower Aquifer
March 1, 2026 to August 31, 2026



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Date: 10/7/2026

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT WATER SUPPLY 1988 THROUGH 2026



Westlands Water District Board of Directors Serving as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency of the Westside Subbasin

Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2026

Item 8c

Subject:

Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) - Serving as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) of the Westside Subbasin, Board of Directors to Consider a Request for Variance from Article 1: Regulations for the Groundwater Allocation Program and Use of the Groundwater Within the Westside Subbasin, regarding the Acceptance of a Revised Groundwater Allocation Application Agreement from EBC Farms, LLC for Sections 8, 16, 17, and 21 in Township 18, Range 19

Strategic Plan Key Strategies:

1. Protect CVP Contract and Secure Supplemental Water Supplies
2. Enhance Groundwater Resources

Discussion:

The purpose of this item is for the Board of Directors to consider a request for variance from Article 1: Regulations for the Groundwater Allocation Program and Use of Groundwater within the Westside Subbasin (Article 1), pertaining to a revised 2026-2027 Groundwater Allocation Application Agreement (Groundwater Application) submitted by Isabel Espinoza on behalf of EBC Farms, LLC, after the July 31, 2026, deadline. The variance request does not raise a Technical Issue and was thus not presented to the Technical Advisory Committee for consideration, as provided by Article 1, Section 1.19.C.2.

The original Groundwater Application was submitted on January 14, 2026. On September 10, 2026, District staff received an email from Ms. Espinoza that included a revised Groundwater Application with the addition of 952.1 acres on four parcels, thereby increasing the groundwater allocation by 952.1 AF. The parcels are located near Naval Air Station Lemoore, outside of Westlands Water District boundaries but within the Westside Subbasin. The email noted that Ms. Espinoza was under the assumption that the parcels were not located within the Westside Subbasin.

Per Article 1, Section 1.5A, a Groundwater Application “shall be accepted provided the application is received no later than July 31” and the application was received after the due date.

The Board of Directors may grant a variance from Article 1 upon making the following findings:

1. Issuing the Variance will not undermine the effective implementation of the GSP;
2. The actions authorized under the Variance are not anticipated to cause material harm to others who have rights to use groundwater within the Westside Subbasin; and
3. The Variance and the authorized actions are reasonably necessary and narrowly tailored to avoid unreasonable physical and economic harm to the Groundwater User.

Based on a review of Ms. Espinoza’s variance request, staff determined that the request did not provide sufficient evidence to support making the above findings. Therefore, staff recommends denying the variance request.

Proposed Motion:

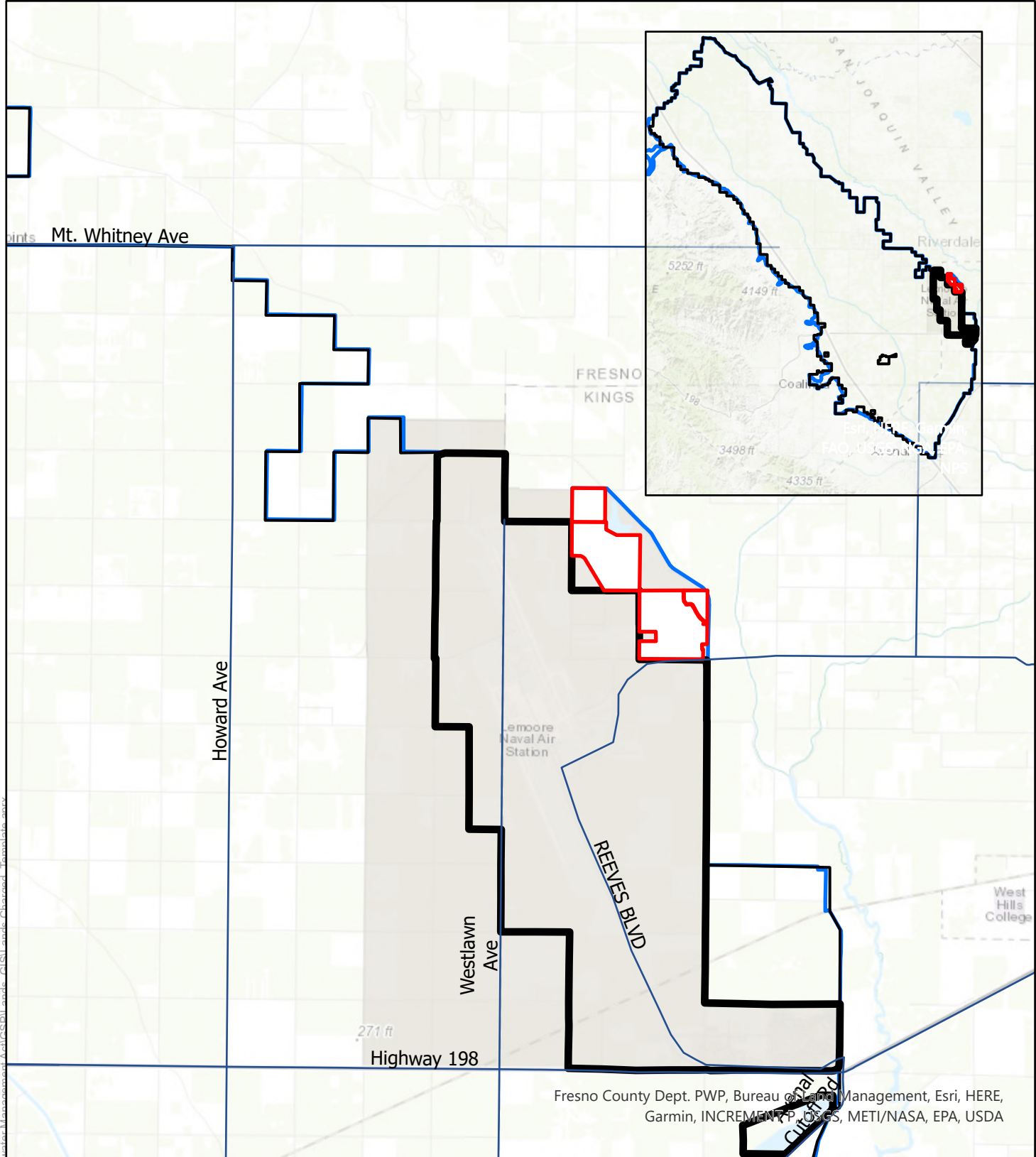
Move that the Board of Directors deny the request for variance from Article 1 regarding the Acceptance of a Revised Groundwater Allocation Application Agreement from EBC Farms, LLC for Sections 8, 16, 17, and 21 in Township 18, Range 19.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposed motion.

Attachments:

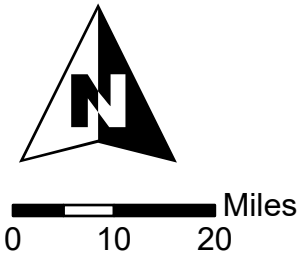
- 1 – Map of Additional Parcels
- 2 – Email Request from Isabel Espinoza



Fresno County Dept. PWP, Bureau of Land Management, Esri, HERE, Garmin, INCREMENT P, OSGB, METI/NASA, EPA, USDA

Legend

- Westside_Subbasin
- Westlands Boundary
- LNAS Boundary
- Additional Parcels



**Attachment 1:
Land Variances Location**



WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT
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FRESNO, CALIFORNIA 93711
559.224.1523 FAX 559.241.6277

From: Isabel Espinoza [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2026 12:12 PM
To: Katarina Campbell [REDACTED]
Subject: ACCOUNT [REDACTED]

GOOD AFTERNOON,

IT WAS NICE TALKING WITH YOU TODAY, PLEASE REVIEW THE 2026-27 SGMA APP REVISION FOR EBC FARM LLC ACCOUNT [REDACTED] AND HOPING THE BOARD WILL CONSIDER OUR REQUEST TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL PARCEL WHICH IS LOCATED IN THE LNAS, WE WERE UNDER THE ASSUMPTION THAT THIS GROUND WAS NOT UNDER THE WEST SUB-BASIN WHICH WE LEARNED OTHERWISE TODAY.

BEST REGARDS,

**Isabel Espinoza **

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Ranch Office: [REDACTED]
Cell Phone: [REDACTED]
Ranch Fax: [REDACTED]
Main Office [REDACTED]

"The journey, not the arrival, matters." -T.S. Eliot.

**Westlands Water District Board of Directors Serving as the Groundwater
Sustainability Agency of the Westside Subbasin**

Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2026

Item 8d

Subject:

Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) - Serving as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) of the Westside Subbasin, Board of Directors to Receive an Update on the Potential Revisions to the Subsidence Prone Areas within the Westside Subbasin.

Strategic Plan Key Strategies:

1. Protect CVP Contract and Secure Supplemental Water Supplies
2. Enhance Groundwater Resources

Discussion:

The purpose of this item is for the Board of Directors to receive an update on potential revisions to the Subsidence Prone Areas (SPAs) within the Westside Subbasin based on recent subsidence data and recommendations from the Department of Water Resources (DWR).

Background:

The Westside Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) was adopted with the intent of avoiding “undesirable results” as defined by SGMA as including the avoidance of significant and unreasonable land subsidence that substantially interferes with surface land uses. (Water Code Section 10721(x)(5).). Towards that end, in 2026 the District adopted a Resolution that its intention is to arrest and avoid subsidence within the Westside Subbasin.

The GSP and its elements are subject to amendments based upon best available information through required updates and as may be required to avoid undesirable results. In the instant case, the SPAs were initially identified in the Westside Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) as follows:

“SPAs were identified from [Interferometric Synthetic Aperture Radar, InSAR] as areas which have experienced recent high rates of subsidence that have caused (or threatens to cause) impairments to the hydraulic conveyance capacity of the [San Luis Reservoir, SLC]. The SPAs will be periodically reviewed based on recent rates of land subsidence and groundwater level declines with relation to [Sustainable Management Criteria, SMCs] and freeboard impairments to SLC.”

InSAR data from 2016 to 2021 were used to create the original SPAs, which resulted in Northern and Southern SPAs along the SLC in the vicinity of Checks 16 and 20, respectively, that expanded away from the SLC and outward into the District.

As noted above, subject to certain hydrologic conditions, landowners within the SPAs may be subject to additional measures, including pumping restrictions, designed to avoid potential undesirable results. (See Article 1, Sections 1.8, 1.9.f.) Under these conditions, the District provides in-lieu surface water (i.e., SGMA Substitute Water) as part of a physical solution to avoid economic hardship to the affected landowners while implementing adaptive management to avoid potential undesirable results. (See Article 1, Section 1.11.) Importantly, landowners’ groundwater allocations are not reduced by their inclusion within the SPAs. Instead, the adaptive management measures are designed to address the proximity of the points of groundwater extraction to subsidence related impacts and not the amount of applied water.

Update to Subsidence Prone Areas:

Based on more recent subsidence data and recommendations from DWR, District staff are considering revisions to the SPAs to more finely tailored to areas where the SLC freeboard is most impaired (<1 ft remaining) and remove the SPA designation from areas not situated near the SLC.

Figures 1 and 2 show the current Northern and Southern SPAs, respectively, the total subsidence from 2020 – 2026, and the potential revisions to the SPAs. As shown in the Figures, the revised SPA boundaries are limited to a 2-mile extent from the SLC (1-mile on each side) with the least amount of freeboard. As a result, the Northern SPA would be reduced by about 35,000 acres and the Southern SPA would be reduced by about 500 acres. The action would be consistent with the best available information, the

intention of avoiding undesirable results and reflect the commitment that the District has made to avoid and arrest significant threats to surface infrastructure.

Should the Board choose to revise the SPA boundaries, District staff would prepare the revision to Figure 2 in Article 1 (Regulations for the Groundwater Allocation Program and Use of Groundwater within the Westside Subbasin) for future Board adoption and notify any growers impacted by the SPA boundary revisions.

Proposed Motion:

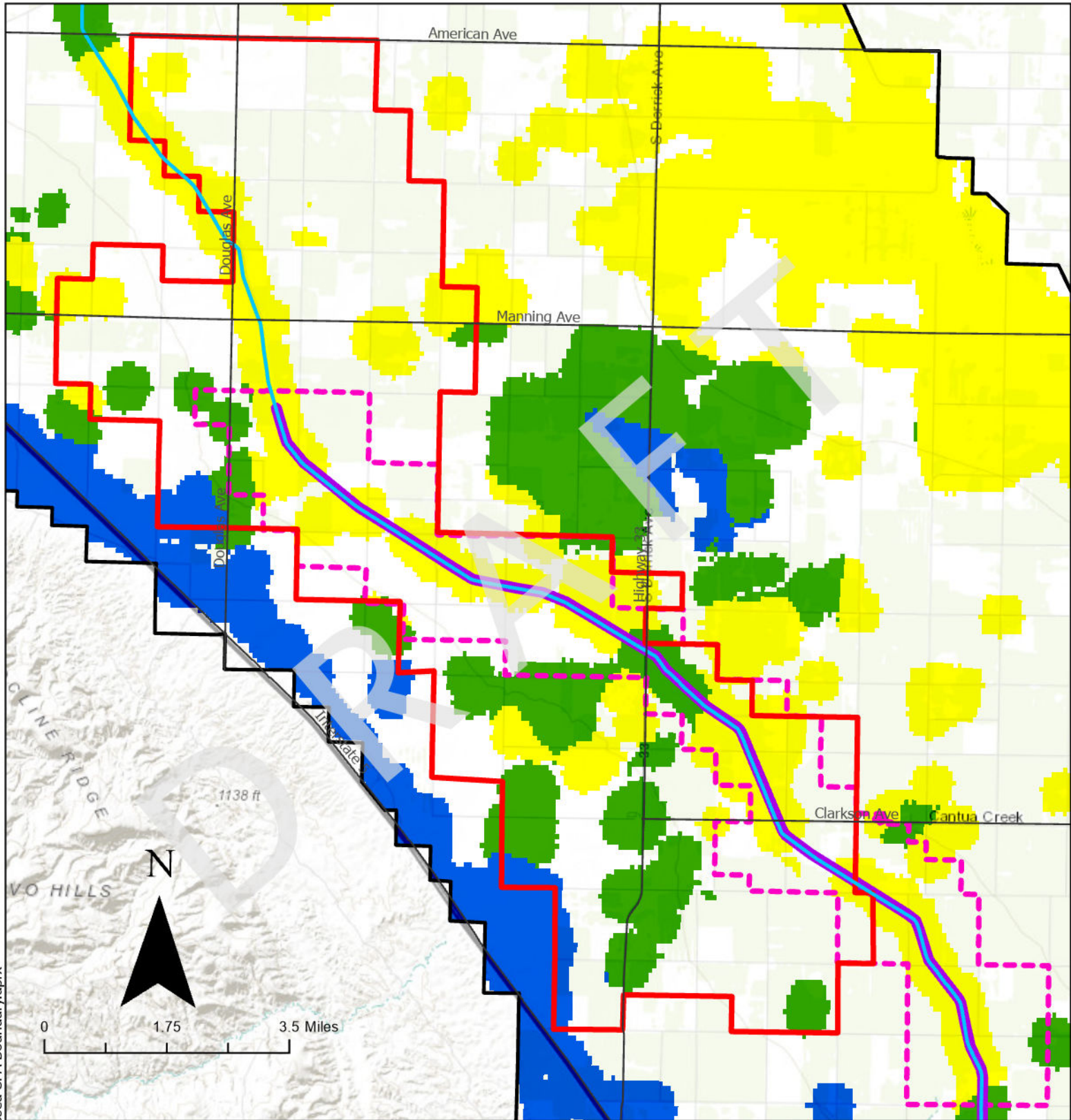
No proposed motion.

Recommendation:

None.

Attachments:

1 – Potential Revision to Subsidence Prone Areas



- WWD Boundary
- San Luis Canal
- Subsidence Prone Areas
- SLC Impaired
- Proposed Management Area

Total Subsidence
Jan2020 to Jan2026
from InSAR data

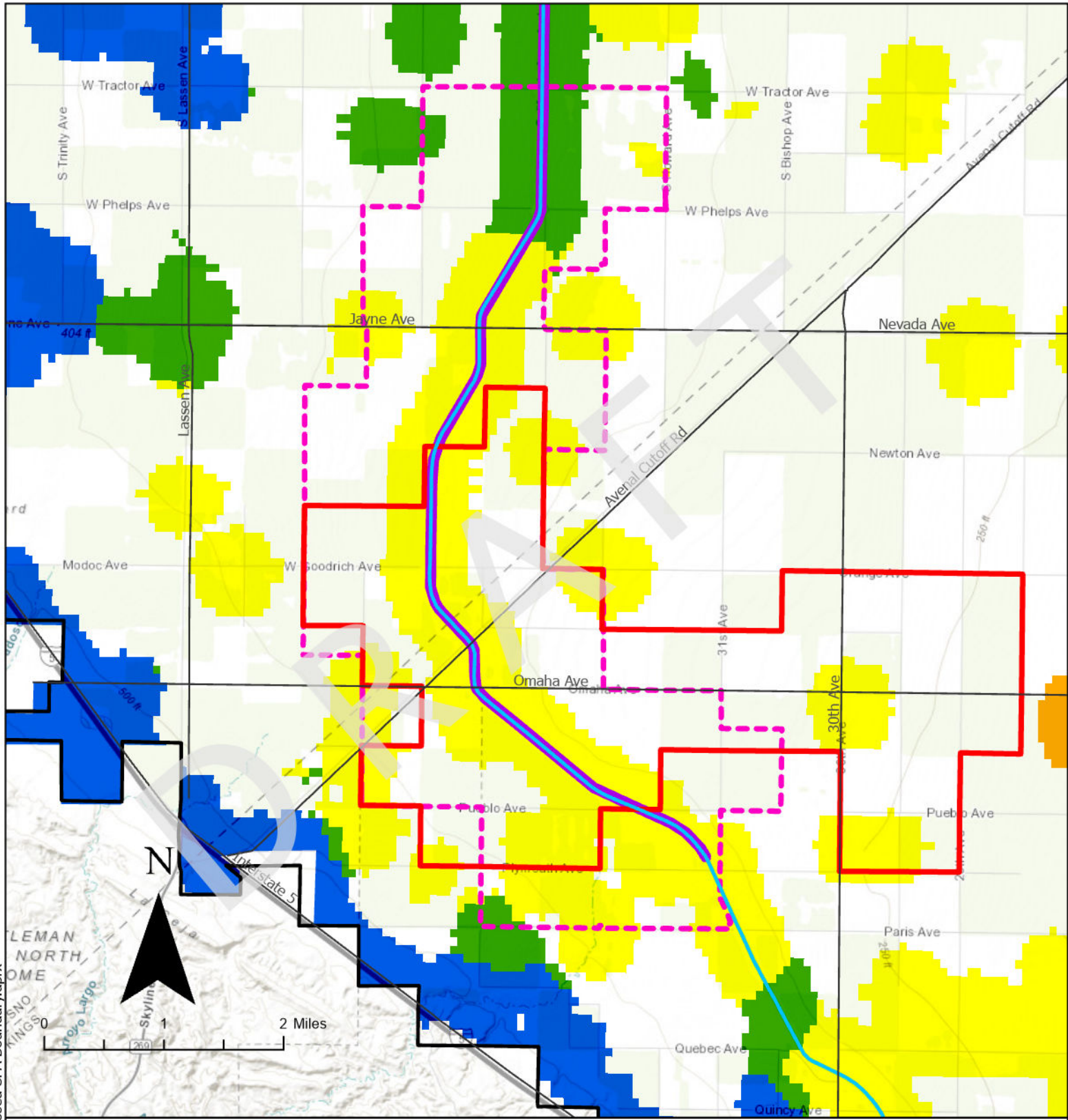
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Westlands Water District Proposed Subsidence Management Areas



Westlands Water District
286 W. Cromwell Ave
Fresno, CA 93711

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Westlands Water District Board of Directors

Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2026

Item 9

Subject:

Board of Directors to Consider (a) Finding Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act the Execution of a Water Exchange Agreement with Santa Clara Valley Water District and (b) Authorizing the General Manager or Designee to Execute Said Agreement and Related Actions.

Discussion:

The purpose of this item is for the Board of Directors (Board) to consider authorizing the General Manager or designee to execute an exchange agreement between Westlands Water District (District) and Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water).

Background

Under the proposed agreement, Valley Water would make available up to 5,000 AF of Central Valley Project (CVP) water supply to the District before December 31, 2028, for groundwater banking and exchange. In exchange, the District would return 80% of the actual volume of water delivered within 10 years of delivery of the CVP water from Valley Water to the District. This exchange would serve as a pilot to determine if an expanded water banking and exchange program would be beneficial to the District.

Environmental Compliance

The actions proposed herein are covered under the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Categorical Exclusion Checklist for the South of Delta Accelerated Water Transfer Program Contract Years 2025-2030, which evaluated an accelerated process for annual water transfers and/or exchanges between South of Delta CVP contractors that occur between March 1, 2025, and February 28, 2030.

Furthermore, the actions proposed herein are exempt from the CEQA because they pertain to the ongoing operations of existing facilities within established parameters without substantial modification (Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines) and can be

seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the water transfer/exchange may have significant effect on the environment; therefore, the water transfer/exchange is not subject to CEQA (Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines).

Proposed Motion:

Move that the Board of Directors (a) find exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act the execution of a water exchange agreement with Santa Clara Valley Water District, and (b) authorize the General Manager or designee to execute said agreement in substantially the same form as presented, subject to non-material modifications approved by the General Manager or General Counsel, and related actions.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposed motion.

Attachments:

1 – Santa Clara Valley Water Exchange Agreement

**WATER EXCHANGE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
AND
WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT
(UP TO 5,000 ACRE-FEET)**

This Water Exchange Agreement (“Agreement”) is made this ____ day of October, 2026, by and between Santa Clara Valley Water District (“Valley Water”) and Westlands Water District (“Westlands”), collectively referred to as “Parties”.

RECITALS

A. Both Parties to this Agreement are public agencies of the State of California, duly formed and operating under the laws of the State, and are empowered to enter into contracts to manage the water supply available to it for the benefit of their constituents.

B. Valley Water is a contractor with the United States Bureau of Reclamation (“Reclamation”), entitled to receive Central Valley Project (“CVP”) water pursuant to Contract No. 7-07-20-W0023AB-P, and Westlands is a contractor with Reclamation, entitled to receive CVP water pursuant to Contract No. 14-06-200-495A-IR1-P.

C. Valley Water is actively exploring water banking, water exchanges, and water management projects to improve the dry year reliability of its imported water supplies. Westlands is interested in water management projects that support the implementation of the Westside Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan.

D. Valley Water is willing to transfer up to 5,000 AF of its CVP water to Westlands in a year where it has imported supplies available to it for transfer. In exchange, Westlands will return eighty percent (80%) of the delivered water of Westlands CVP water.

E. Delivery and return of water under this Agreement will remove no additional water from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (“Delta”), and shall not increase the cost, nor reduce the supply, of water to other CVP contractors.

AGREEMENT

I. TERM

1. This Agreement shall become effective upon the transfer of water hereunder from Valley Water to Westlands and shall remain in effect for a period of ten years thereafter, or until such time as Westlands has returned to Valley Water all water owed pursuant to this Agreement, whichever is later.

2. Valley Water may deliver up to 5,000 AF of its CVP supplies to Westlands in a year before December 31, 2028. Westlands will have an obligation to return 80% of the delivered water of its CVP water supplies, within 10 years of delivery of CVP supplies from Valley Water to Westlands.

II. DELIVERY OF WATER TO WESTLANDS

1. Pursuant to the terms and conditions of Reclamation's approval, and other approvals as may be required, Valley Water will make available to Westlands up to 5,000 AF of Valley Water's CVP water supply in accordance with the estimated delivery schedule set forth in Exhibit A developed in coordination with Valley Water, and Westlands.
2. The point of delivery to Westlands shall be from Westlands' turnouts in Reaches 4, 5, 6 and 7 of the San Luis Canal.
3. Deliveries of water to Westlands shall be measured by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR).
4. Water delivered to Westlands under the terms of this Agreement is for the benefit of Westlands water users and is not for the direct or indirect benefit of other water districts or water users that are not parties to this Agreement.
5. Valley Water agrees to pay its Reclamation Contract Rate and Restoration Fund rate, San Luis & Delta- Mendota Water Authority's (SLDMWA) Operations & Maintenance (O&M) charge, Westlands' O&M rate, and additional rates for CVP services required to effectuate the transfer, if any.

III. CALL AND DELIVERY OF RETURN WATER TO VALLEY WATER

1. Pursuant to the terms and conditions of Reclamation's approval and other approvals as may be required, Westlands will make available to Valley Water an amount of return water equal to 80% of the amount of water that Valley Water delivered to Westlands. All water deliveries shall be made pursuant to delivery schedules developed in coordination with Westlands and Valley Water.
2. Valley Water may choose to call on the return water of up to 2,000 AF in any year in which the CVP south of Delta Agricultural allocation, as announced by Reclamation on or before March 31 of that year, is 10% or greater.
3. Westlands will confirm its ability to return up to 2,000 AF of its CVP water to Valley Water by April 15 of each year. If Westlands is unable to confirm return water availability in a given year, such inability shall not constitute a breach of this Agreement, provided that Westlands returns the full amount of return water no later than 10 years after the delivery of supplies from Valley Water to Westlands.

4. The final date Valley Water may call on the return water is May 15 of each year that meets the requirements of Section III.2.
5. The point of delivery of return water to Valley Water shall be in the San Luis Reservoir.
6. Deliveries of return water from Westlands to Valley Water shall be measured by DWR.
7. Return water delivered to Valley Water under the terms of this Agreement is for the benefit of Valley Water water users and is not for the direct or indirect benefit of other water districts or water users that are not parties to this Agreement.
8. Deliveries of return water to Valley Water shall be at no cost to Westlands.
9. Valley Water will pay an estimated average pumping costs of \$270/AF for groundwater recovery during the return transfer year, plus the incentive payment schedule shown in Exhibit B, based on the CVP Agricultural allocation as of May 31 of the year the water is returned.
10. Valley Water agrees to pay Westlands' Reclamation Contract Rate, Restoration Fund, SLDMWA O&M charge, Westlands' O&M rate, and additional rates for CVP services required to effectuate the transfer, if any.

IV. COST AND LIABILITIES BEYOND THE POINT OF DELIVERY

1. All costs and liabilities of handling and delivering CVP water to Westlands beyond the point(s) of delivery to Westlands shall be at Westlands' expense and risk.
2. All costs and liabilities of handling and delivering return water to Valley Water beyond the point(s) of delivery to Valley Water shall be at Valley Water's expense and risk.

V. APPROVALS

1. Both Parties' obligations under this Agreement are contingent upon the approval of all governmental agencies with jurisdiction over the transfers described herein, including compliance with applicable laws.

VI. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Both Parties shall cooperate in securing any and all necessary approvals. Both Parties shall each be independently responsible for ensuring compliance with all applicable laws relating to the transfers under this Agreement, including but not limited to the California Environmental Quality Act, and shall bear their own compliance costs.

2. Both Parties will work cooperatively with Reclamation to ensure National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance to facilitate the transfer(s), if required. If existing NEPA documentation is insufficient for the proposed transfers, Valley Water will be responsible for all costs associated with Reclamation's development of the necessary documents.
3. Any notice, request, tender, demand, delivery, approval or other communication providing for, required, or arising under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed delivered upon personal delivery or email delivery (receipt confirmed) or three business days after deposit in the United States mail, addressed to the party as follows:

SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
5750 Almaden Expressway
San Jose, CA 95118
Attention: Cindy Kao
Email: ckao@valleywater.org

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT
P.O. Box 5199
Fresno, CA 93755
Attention: Stephen Farmer
Email: sfarmer@wwd.ca.gov

4. Each Party agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the other Party, its officers, agents, servants, employees, and consultants from and against any and all third-party losses, claims, liens, demands and causes of action of every kind and character arising directly or indirectly out of the performance (or non-performance) of either Party under this Agreement unless such claim or loss arises from a Party's own gross negligence or willful misconduct.
5. The terms and provisions of this Agreement shall bind and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the respective Parties thereto.
6. This Agreement may only be amended in writing by mutual agreement of the Parties.
7. Except as otherwise provided herein, all obligations of the Parties hereto shall be suspended so long as, and to the extent that, the performance thereof shall be prevented by earthquakes, fires, tornadoes, facility failures, floods, drownings, strikes, other casualties or acts of God, orders of court or governmental agencies having jurisdiction of the subject matter thereof or other events or causes beyond the control of the Parties hereto.
8. It is agreed by the Parties hereto that in this arid region the water delivered herein is of unique value and that, in the event of breach of this Agreement, specific performance of

the Agreement in accordance with its terms and conditions shall be proper injunctive relief.

9. The Parties agree that this Agreement is for the voluntary transfer and exchange of water that would otherwise be beneficially used by the transferring or exchanging party in order to achieve a more efficient use thereof, consistent with the provisions of Water Code Sections 475 and 1244.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties execute this Agreement on this day and year first above mentioned.

SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER
DISTRICT

By: _____
Melanie Richardson
Interim Chief Executive Officer

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT

By: _____
Stephen Farmer
Chief Administrative Officer

Exhibit A

Water Delivery Schedule

Santa Clara Valley Water District to Westlands Water District

Month	Transfer Amount (AF)
Total	5,000

Exhibit B

Incentive Payment Schedule

Santa Clara Valley Water District to Westlands Water District

CVP Agricultural Allocation (%)	Incentive Payment (\$/AF)
10	\$450.00
15	\$425.00
20	\$390.00
25	\$280.00
30	\$160.00
35	\$80.00
40	\$40.00