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AGENDA SAN JOAQUIN RIVER EXCHANGE CONTRACTORS WATER AUTHORITY

Friday, August 7, 2026

CHRIS CARDELLA
Chair

MIKE STEARNS
Vice-Chair

CHRIS WHITE
Executive Director

MINASIAN LAW
Legal Counsel

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on *Friday, August 7, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.*, the Board of Directors of the *San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority*, otherwise known as the *Exchange Contractors*, will meet in the **Board Room of the San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority office** located at 541 H Street, Los Banos, California.

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CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Eric Fontana
President

Jarrett Martin
General Manager

SAN LUIS CANAL COMPANY

Cannon Michael
President

John Wiersma
General Manager

FIREBAUGH CANAL WATER DISTRICT

Mike Stearns
President

Jeff Bryant
General Manager

COLUMBIA CANAL COMPANY

Chris Cardella
President

Mike Gardner
General Manager

*Notice: All members of the public can attend the meeting
in person or by conference call.*

The agenda for the meeting will be:

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Review of Agenda:

The Board will consider corrections or additions to the agenda of items requiring immediate action that have come to the attention of the Exchange Contractors following the posting of the agenda.

3. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting of July 1, 2026

4. Public Participation

At this time, members of the public may address the representatives on matters which may affect the operations of the Exchange Contractors. The Chairman may limit the time allowed for comment.

5. Board to approve July, 2026 Expenditures

6. Finance Committee Report

A) Review Financial Report Memo for July, 2026 – Board action will be requested.

- i. July, 2026 General Budget Comparison
- ii. July, 2026 Water Transfer Budget Comparison
- iii. July, 2026 Water Resources Plan (General Membership) Budget Comparison

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- iv. July, 2026 Water Resources Plan (Participation Agreement) Budget Comparison
 - v. July, 2026 San Joaquin Valley Drainage Authority Budget Comparison
 - vi. Cash Activity Report
- B) Finance Committee Minutes of June 26, 2026
- 7. Water Report**
- 8. Executive Director's Report**
- 9. Director of Policy & Programs Report**
- 10. Water Resources Plan**
 - A) General Update
 - B) Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Project (DPCR) Update
- 11. Bay-Delta Water Quality and Regional Water Quality Control Board Report**
 - A) Water Quality Issues Update - David Cory
- 12. San Joaquin Valley Drainage Authority** – Board to consider appointment of new alternate to the San Joaquin Valley Drainage Authority Board.
- 13. Legislative Report**
 - A) State
 - B) Federal
- 14. Public Outreach**
 - A) Lighthouse Public Affairs
- 15. Attorney's Report**
- 16. Four Entities' Manager's Reports**
- 17. Informational**
- 18. Closed Session:**
 - A) Conference with Legal Counsel regarding existing litigation. Firebaugh vs. United States – U.S. District Court Eastern District of California. Government Code Section 54956.9
 - B) Conference with Legal Counsel regarding existing litigation and administrative proceedings. NRDC vs. Rodgers (Friant Litigation) - U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California. Government Code Section 54956.9
 - C) Conference with Legal Counsel. SWRCB Administrative Proceedings Regarding Water Rights Exercise, San Joaquin River and Tributaries. Government Code Section 54956.9
 - D) Conference with Legal Counsel regarding anticipated litigation. Two potential cases. Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)

- E) Conference with Real Property Negotiators: Government Code Section 54956.8. Property. Water subject to the control of the Exchange Contractors available for transfer. Agency Negotiator. Chris White and Board Members. Negotiating Parties. Triangle T Water District. Under Negotiation. Price, terms, conditions, and quantities of water available for transfer.
- F) Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1)). Stanislaus County Superior Court Case No. CV – 20-005193, *Sierra Club, et. al., v. Del Puerto Water District.*
- G) Conference with Legal Counsel. Anticipated litigation (two cases). Government Code 54956.9(d)(2)

**MINUTES
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SAN JOAQUIN RIVER EXCHANGE CONTRACTORS WATER AUTHORITY
HELD WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2026**

The Board of Directors of the *San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority (SJRECWA)* met in Regular Session on Wednesday, July 1, 2026 in the Board Room of the *San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority*, 541 "H" Street, City of Los Banos, County of Merced, State of California.

The following persons were present:

REPRESENTATIVES:

Central California Irrigation District (CCID): Eric Fontana, Director; Jarrett Martin, General Manager (via teleconference)

San Luis Canal Company (SLCC): Douglas Goodman, Alternate Director; John Wiersma, General Manager

Firebaugh Canal Water District (FCWD): Mike Stearns, Vice-Chair; Jeff Bryant, General Manager

Columbia Canal Company (CCC): Chris Cardella, Chair; Mike Gardner, General Manager

STAFF MEMBERS:

Chris White, Executive Director; Steve Chedester, Director of Policy and Programs; Joann White, Director of Finance and Administration; Adam Hoffman, Water Resources Specialist; and Marisol Bonilla, Administrative Assistant

PRESENT:

Andrew McClure, Minasian Law; Manny Amorelli, James Irrigation District; and David Cory, Consultant

The following participated via Conference Call:

Kimberly Brown, CCC Director; and Rick Iger, Provost & Pritchard

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Chris Cardella called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and asked Manager Gardner to lead the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

REVIEW OF AGENDA:

There were no proposed changes to the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The unapproved minutes of the June 5, 2026 Regular Board meeting were presented. A motion was made by Vice-Chair Stearns to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Fontana and unanimously carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Introductions were provided by those present in person and by phone.

BOARD TO APPROVE THE JUNE 2026 EXPENDITURES AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

Marisol Bonilla provided a summary of the June 2026 Expenditure List and Financial Report.

A motion was made by Director Fontana and seconded by Alternate Director Goodman to approve the Expenditure List and Financial Report as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

WATER REPORT:

The Water Resources Specialist reported that there was no change to the South-of-Delta allocation in June, which remains at 25%. Exchange Contractors' demands are approximately 2,200 cubic feet per second (cfs) and the San Joaquin River releases have begun to decline as the San Joaquin River Restoration Program (SJRRP) has reduced its target flow from 70 cfs to 25 cfs for July and August.

Mr. Hoffman also provided an update on current reservoir storage levels with Shasta Reservoir currently at 3,636,707 Acre Feet (AF), San Luis Reservoir at 1,249,176 AF, and Millerton Reservoir at 467,240 AF.

Jones Pumping Plant operations were temporarily reduced from three pumps to one, while the State Water Project (SWP) also reduced pumping substantially. The SWP is expected to increase pumping significantly in the coming days as part of its operational plan. July pumping at Jones is expected to remain below average and increase to five pumping units in August.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Executive Director White provided a brief report noting Dr. Andrea Travnicsek, Assistant Secretary of Water and Science at the Department of the Interior, toured the SJRRP Sack Dam construction project, and the Los Banos Creek Reservoir Project. The following week, Mr. White traveled to Washington, D.C. with members of the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority to meet with Interior officials, including the new Acting Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation Aubrey Bettencourt.

Mr. White reported the SJRRP is progressing, with significant construction underway.

John Wiersma provided an update on Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) activities, noting various meetings with neighboring Groundwater Sustainability Agencies and the California Department of Water Resources (DWR).

Executive Director reported Phase 1 of the Los Banos Creek Detention Dam operations project is complete and they continue progress toward Phase 2. Ongoing efforts continue with the project partners and San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (SLDMWA) in obtaining federal Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) funds to allow construction activities to move forward on the project.

Mr. White provided an update on the Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Project, including responses to environmental review comments.

In conclusion, the Executive Director reminded the Board about the upcoming Agricultural Leadership Tour scheduled for August 20th and 21st.

DIRECTOR OF POLICY & PROGRAMS REPORT:

The Director of Policy & Programs recapped his monthly report which included status on the Mendota Pool Fish Screen & Control Structure, Reclamation Compact Bypass Facility, Fish Ladder, and Financial Assistance Agreement (FAA).

Mr. Chedester reported that the Water Blueprint for the San Joaquin Valley has revised its bylaws to expand the number of members and that the Unified Water Plan is nearing completion, with final publication expected by the end of July.

WATER RESOURCES PLAN (WRP) – UPDATE:

Mr. Chedester informed the Board that the Orestimba Creek Recharge and Recovery Project continues to work securing well recovery permits and well locations.

Next, he provided an update on the Los Banos Creek Reservoir Project noting the completion of the pipeline to San Luis Water District has been delayed; rehabilitation work on the San Luis Water District Lift Stations 8 and 9 is nearly complete; and air vents have already been installed and tested. The project is also continuing to address Golden Mussel concerns, and the State Parks expressed concerns over construction delays, which have prevented public access to the park.

Finally, the Los Banos Creek Recharge and Recovery Project partners continue to focus on obtaining approval to split the grant funds received, with all requested information being submitted to the funding agency.

COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM:

Executive Director White recommended approval of 2% of revenue totaling \$1,040,000 from the Conservation Water Transfer Program funds. A motion was made by Vice-Chair Stearns and seconded by Alternate Director Goodman to approve the recommendation as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

Executive Director White next explained the two separate projects the City of Firebaugh has been approved for under the 2024 and 2025 Community Infrastructure Program. He stated that the City received bids for the two projects, however, one of the bids came in over the grant amount and the second project bid was below the amount granted with the total of the two projects less than the combined grant funds. Therefore, he is recommending approval to combine the City of Firebaugh's 2024 and 2025 grant funds to complete the two projects not to exceed the bid amounts submitted.

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Stearns and seconded by Director Fontana to approve the recommendation as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

BAY-DELTA WATER QUALITY AND REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD (RWQCB) REPORT:

David Cory reported that the Regional Board adopted the Modesto Management Zone Resolution Order. This order serves as the template for all Priority 1 Management Zones and will provide the framework for Priority 2 areas. The Regional Board is expected to begin implementing the program in other Priority 1 areas early next year.

Mr. Cory also discussed recent developments related to nitrate management. The Agricultural Expert Panel finalized its nitrate report and presented it to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). The SWRCB plans to hold a workshop with the Regional Boards early next year to determine how the report's recommendations will be incorporated into the different Irrigated Land Regulatory programs across the state.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT:

State: Executive Director reviewed Arc Strategies' report included in the Board packet providing status updates on proposed legislative bills being monitored by the Exchange Contractors.

Federal: Executive Director referred to the report included in the Board packet.

PUBLIC OUTREACH:

Reference was made to the updated report from Lighthouse Public Affairs included in the meeting packet.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Attorney Andrew McClure provided an update on the Johnson v. PG&E case with the appeal deadline date of July 6th.

Mr. McClure explained that because of the judge's decision on the one issue of downstream terrestrial impacts, the Draft Environmental Impact Report was revised and recirculated for the Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Project. The public comment period has been closed for more than 45 days; however, a new comment letter was received on June 19th from the Center for Biological Diversity. They are currently working through the responses to the comments and expect to have board action on the revised EIR by Del Puerto Water District completed in August or September.

FOUR ENTITIES' MANAGER REPORTS:

Columbia Canal Company: Manager Gardner reported that water deliveries were at 175 cfs with average June deliveries totaling approximately 6,200 AF. Operations remained routine with seasonal maintenance activities such as mowing, spraying weeds, and treating canal pondweed.

Firebaugh Canal Water District: Manager Bryant reported that June water deliveries were also average, although the district experienced a temporary issue when a transformer failed. The problem was resolved without interrupting water deliveries to any growers.

San Luis Canal Company: Manager Wiersma reported standard maintenance operations continue throughout the Company's service area.

Central California Irrigation District: Manager Martin reported routine water deliveries and standard seasonal maintenance. Focusing on weed growth in the canals, which is typical for this time of year.

INFORMATIONAL:

Executive Director White recapped The California Ag Leadership tour scheduled for August 20th and 21st and reminded the Board of the upcoming C.A.S.T. event scheduled for September 12th.

No further business came to the Board, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:55a.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

After a brief recess, the meeting was adjourned to Closed Session at 10:01 a.m.

The Chair returned the meeting to Open Session at 10:13 a.m. and announced that direction was given to staff and legal counsel.

No further business came before the Board; the meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

CHRIS CARDELLA, CHAIR

Attest a true record of proceedings had
And taken at the foregoing meeting, our
Presence thereat and our consent thereto.

CHRIS WHITE, SECRETARY

ERIC FONTANA, DIRECTOR

DOUGLAS GOODMAN, ALTERNATE DIRECTOR

MIKE STEARNS, VICE-CHAIR

SAN JOAQUIN RIVER EXCHANGE CONTRACTORS EXPENDITURE LIST

08/03/26

July 2026

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
Jul 26				
07/03/2026	EFTPS	EFTPS (941 TAXES)	FED PAYROLL TAX SEMI-WKLY DEP. (215-04, 16, 17 G...	-5,168.10
07/03/2026	ACH DEB	EDD ONLINE SERVICE (EDD TAXES)	STATE PAYROLL TAXES 6'26 (215-08, 10 G/W)	-5,207.20
07/03/2026	ACH DEB	LINCOLN FINANCIAL GROUP	RETIREMENT 6'26 (215-09 G/W)	-11,371.00
07/03/2026	20487	VOYA LIFE AND ANNUITY COMPANY	DEFERRED COMP 6'26 (215-01 G/W)	-4,154.60
07/03/2026	DIRECT DEP	PAYROLL	6/14/26-6/27/26	-23,056.52
07/03/2026	20488	HEALTH EQUITY, INC.	HSA-ADMIN. FEE & EE DED 6'26 (575-05 G/W)	-117.81
07/03/2026	20489	CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT	WTR TRANSFER TO SANTA CLARA VWD-MAY '26 (6...	-196,950.00
07/03/2026	20490	CHRIS WHITE	TRANSF. REIMB-WASHINGTON DC - 6/8-6/11/26 (515...	-283.80
07/03/2026	20491	COLUMBIA CANAL COMPANY	WTR TRANSFER TO SANTA CLARA VWD-MAY '26 (6...	-42,250.00
07/03/2026	20492	DUANE MORRIS LLP	LEGAL FEE'S 5'26 (585-13 L)	-13,699.80
07/03/2026	20493	ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	VISA 5/19/26-6/16/26 (515-02,625,125,600,630-03,635-0...	-9,328.61
07/03/2026	20494	FIREBAUGH CANAL WATER DISTRICT	WTR TRANSFER TO SANTA CLARA VWD-MAY '26 (6...	-26,000.00
07/03/2026	20495	KAN VENTURES, INC.	CONSULTANT 6'26 (550-05 C)	-737.50
07/03/2026	20496	SAN LUIS & DELTA-MENDOTA WATER AUTH...	CONVEY. FEES-'23 TRUE UP - TRANSFR TO ROSED...	-193,155.46
07/03/2026	20497	SAN LUIS CANAL COMPANY	WTR TRANSFER TO SANTA CLARA VWD-MAY '26 (6...	-50,700.00
07/03/2026	20498	SANTOS FORD	'08 FORD EXPEDITION SERVICE (515-02 G)	-195.00
07/03/2026	20499	U.S. POSTAL SERVICE	POSTAGE (615 G)	-390.00
07/03/2026	20500	UNITED HEALTHCARE	HEALTH INS. 7'26 (575-05 G/W)	-8,941.58
07/03/2026	20501	XEROX BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	COPIER MAINTENANCE 5/30/26-6/29/26 (CONT. BAS...	-124.28
07/17/2026	EFTPS	EFTPS (941 TAXES)	FED PAYROLL TAX SEMI-WKLY DEP. (215-04, 16, 17 G...	-5,522.53
07/17/2026	DIRECT DEP	PAYROLL	6/28/26-7/11/26	-23,008.82
07/17/2026	20502	ACWA JPIA	WORKERS COMP- QTR 4 4/1-6/30/26 (575-12 G/W)	-2,223.22
07/17/2026	20503	ANTHEM SMALL GROUP SERVICES	INS- VISION 8'26 (575-06 G/W)	-88.26
07/17/2026	20504	ARC STRATEGIES LLC	LOBBYLIST 7'26 (550-05 C)	-7,500.00
07/17/2026	20505	BROAD DATA CONFERENCING	TELECONFERENCE 6'26 (635-03 G/W)	-120.30
07/17/2026	20506	CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT	WTR TRNSFR-SLDMWA -5'26; M&I OPTION PYMT; MI...	-2,352,005.42
07/17/2026	20507	CITY OF LOS BANOS	WATER/SEWER 5/21/26-6/20/26 (645-02 G)	-90.91
07/17/2026	20508	COLUMBIA CANAL COMPANY	WTR TRNSFR-SLDMWA -5'26; M&I OPTION PYMT; MI...	-932,601.18
07/17/2026	20509	DANIEL B. STEINER	CONSULTANT 6'26 (550-23, 550-22 C)	-6,152.00
07/17/2026	20510	DEL PUERTO WTR DISTRICT	WRP-DPCR- INV 1222 (550-22 C, 585-18 L)	-44,970.54
07/17/2026	20511	FIREBAUGH CANAL WATER DISTRICT	WTR TRNSFR-SLDMWA -5'26; M&I OPTION PYMT; MI...	-1,683,074.02
07/17/2026	20512	INVARIANT	LOBBYLIST 7'26 (550-05 C)	-22,050.00
07/17/2026	20513	LIGHTHOUSE PUBLIC AFFAIRS LLC	PUBLIC AFFAIRS 6'26 (550-16 C)	-15,000.00
07/17/2026	20514	LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.	LIFE INSURANCE 7'26 (575-07 G/W)	-192.91
07/17/2026	20515	MARIA R. VENEGAS	OFC. MAINTANCE 7'26 (535 G)	-600.00
07/17/2026	20516	MID VALLEY DISPOSAL	TRASH SERVICE 6'26 (645-02 G)	-41.73
07/17/2026	20517	PG&E	ELECTRIC 6/5/26-7/5/26 (645-01 G)	-523.97
07/17/2026	20518	PRIMO BRANDS	OFFICE SUPPLIES 6'26 (600 G)	-55.46
07/17/2026	20519	SAN LUIS CANAL COMPANY	WTR TRNSFR-SLDMWA -5'26; M&I OPTION PYMT; MI...	-7,979,910.74
07/17/2026	20520	SGS NORTH AMERICA INC	WATER SAMPLE INVOICE #CA 53101413 6'26 (602-05...	-495.00
07/17/2026	20521	SPRIGGS, INC.	IT SERVICE LABOR NEW DESKTOP (125G),OFC. 365 ...	-2,147.09
07/17/2026	20522	VALVOLINE	OIL CHANGE '16 FORD (515-02 W)	-70.60
07/17/2026	20523	VFW FLAG SERVICE	'26 ANNUAL FLAG SERVICE (565-04 G)	-30.00
07/17/2026	20524	WINDECKER, INC.	FUEL 6'26 (515-01 G/W)	-843.37
07/17/2026	20525	XEROX FINANCIAL SERVICES	COPIER LEASE 6/30/26-7/30/26 (570-01 G)	-350.48
07/17/2026	20526	MINASIAN LAW, LLP	LEGAL 6'26 (585-01, 585-15 L)	-2,573.25
07/17/2026	20527	SLWD	LB CREEK PH 2 PRO-RATE 33.33% (550-22 C)	-90,982.27
07/17/2026	20528	UNITED CONCORDIA INSURANCE CO.	DENTAL 8'26 (575-01 G/W)	-467.70
07/28/2026	ACH DEBIT	UNITED STATES BUREAU OF RECLAMATION	WESTSIDE WA - '25 WTR TRANSFR - BOR RATES (7...	-3,500.00
07/31/2026	20529	MECHANIC'S BANK	DEPOSIT TO SJRECWA COMM. INFRAST. FUND MM ...	-520,000.00
07/31/2026	EFTPS	EFTPS (941 TAXES)	FED PAYROLL TAX SEMI-WKLY DEP. (215-04, 16, 17 G...	-5,138.23
07/31/2026	DIRECT DEP.	PAYROLL	7/12/26-7/25/26	-22,866.10
07/31/2026	20530	CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT	USBR TRANSFER - MAY & JUNE '26 MINUS COMM. I...	-1,919,524.96
07/31/2026	20531	CLARK PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL 7'26 (535 G)	-67.00
07/31/2026	20532	COLUMBIA CANAL COMPANY	USBR TRANSFER - MAY & JUNE '26 MINUS COMM. I...	-565,327.81
07/31/2026	20533	DAVID CORY	CONSULTANT 6'26 (550-03 C)	-430.00
07/31/2026	20534	FIREBAUGH CANAL WATER DISTRICT	USBR TRANSFER - MAY & JUNE '26 MINUS COMM. I...	-1,132,092.00
07/31/2026	20535	GERBI ENTERPRISES	OFC. RENT 8'26 (630-01 G)	-2,121.00
07/31/2026	20536	SAN LUIS CANAL COMPANY	USBR TRANSFER - MAY & JUNE '26 MINUS COMM. I...	-900,334.23
07/31/2026	20537	THE PENTAGON CO./dba Delta Farms	RENT FEE- CALF 55 TOUR DINNER 8/20/26 (625 G)	-600.00
07/31/2026	20538	VIA ADVENTURES, INC.	CHARTER # 44875 - CALF 55 TOUR 8/20-8/21 (625 G)	-3,264.00
07/31/2026	20539	CWE, Inc.	IT SERVICES - 8'26 (570-03 G)	-491.00
Jul 26				-18,841,279.36



MEMO

To: Board of Directors

From: Marisol Bonilla, Administrative Assistant

Date: August 4, 2026

Subject: August 7, 2026 Board of Director's Meeting Report – July 2026 Finance Update

2026 Budget Comparisons:

General Budget:

Actual Revenue to date is 65% of Budget (\$1,304,836)

Actual Expenses to date is 57% of Budget (\$1,158,485)

Baseline measurement to complete the year's expenses is 99% (12 months) – A true reflection of expenses is done at year-end after all accruals are booked and all necessary reconciliations are completed.

Water Transfer Budget:

Actual Revenue to date is 75% of Budget (\$69,319)

Actual Expenses to date is 54% of Budget (\$49,805)

Baseline measurement to complete the year's expenses is 104% (12 months) – A true reflection of expenses is done at year-end after all accruals are booked and all necessary reconciliations are completed.

Water Resources Plan (General Membership) Budget:

Actual Revenue to date is 75% of Budget (\$12,752)

Actual Expenses to date is 9% of Budget (\$8,636)

Baseline measurement to complete the year's expenses is 100% (12 months) – A true reflection of expenses is done at year-end after all accruals are booked and all necessary reconciliations are completed.

Water Resources Plan (Participation Agreement) Budget:

Actual Revenue to date is 75% of Budget (\$493,276)

Actual Expenses to date is 55% of Budget (\$1,186,531)

Baseline measurement to complete the year's expenses is 115% (12 months) – A true reflection of expenses is done at year-end after all accruals are booked and all necessary reconciliations are completed.

San Joaquin Valley Drainage Authority Budget:Actual Revenue to date is 50% of BudgetActual Expenses to date is 50% of BudgetBaseline measurement to complete the year's expenses is 100% (12 months) – A true reflection of expenses is done at year-end after all accruals are booked and all necessary reconciliations are completed.**Cash Activity Report:** (Period Ending July 31, 2026)Total Cash balance for all accounts on **June 30, 2026** was **\$3,050,768.52**. Breakdown of accounts:

WestAmerica Checking: \$1,023.61

LAIF: \$958,855.36

Mechanic's Bank Money Market: \$697,073.16

Mechanic's Bank Money Market (Community Fund): \$1,100,899.89

WestAmerica Money Market: \$264,930.57

WestAmerica Money Market (MPG – restricted funds): \$27,605.12

WestAmerica Money Market (MM Society - restricted funds): \$280.81

Petty Cash: \$100.00

Total Receivables in July 2026 was \$19,643,340.60

Deposit into Community Fund Money Market Acct was \$520,000.00

Total Interest received in July 2026 was \$15,851.46

Total Expenditures in July 2026 was \$18,841,279.36

Total Expenditures (Community Fund MM Acct) in July 2026 was \$100,972.00

Transfers made through the month of June 2026 were:

From Money Market to Checking: \$12,145,600.00

From Checking to Money Market: \$17,726,524.00

Total Cash balance for all accounts on **July 31, 2026** was **\$4,287,709.22**. Breakdown of accounts are:

WestAmerica Checking: (\$5,043,339.15)

LAIF: \$968,215.47

Mechanic's Bank Money Market: \$699,242.68

Mechanic's Bank Money Market (Community Fund): \$1,523,386.52

WestAmerica Money Market: \$6,112,161.16

WestAmerica Money Market (MPG – restricted funds): \$27,660.93

WestAmerica Money Market (MM Society – restricted funds): \$281.61

Petty Cash: \$100.00

Outstanding Accounts Receivables as of **July 31, 2026** was **\$16,366,948.32**.

**San Joaquin River Exchange
Contractors Water Authority**

2026 General Budget Comparison

BUDGET SUMMARY					
PERIOD ENDING:	7/31/26				
REVENUES FOR:	2026 Budget	Actual YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget	Percentage of Budget as of 7/31/26
GENERAL	960,905	586,574	374,331	100%	61%
WATERMASTER	207,939	155,954	51,985	100%	75%
BAY DELTA	30,658	18,715	11,943	100%	61%
WATER OPERATIONS	99,390	60,672	38,719	100%	61%
PUMPING	5,934	3,622	2,312	100%	61%
COMMUNICATIONS	180,188	109,994	70,194	100%	61%
GENERAL CONSULTANTS	356,025	217,332	138,693	100%	61%
SJ RIVER SETTLEMENT	98,896	60,370	38,526	100%	61%
GENERAL LEGAL	59,338	36,222	23,116	100%	61%
MISC. - INTEREST	0	35,382	164,619		
MISC. - MPG AGREEMENT	20,000	20,000	0	100%	100%
TOTAL REVENUE	2,019,273	1,304,836	914,437	110%	65%
EXPENSES FOR:					
GENERAL	971,634	639,118	399,371	107%	66%
WATERMASTER	207,939	117,454	88,408	99%	56%
BAY DELTA	31,000	11,486	19,514	100%	37%
WATER OPERATIONS	100,500	44,459	45,875	90%	44%
PUMPING	6,000	2,540	960	58%	42%
COMMUNICATIONS	182,200	91,600	90,600	100%	50%
GENERAL CONSULTANTS	360,000	212,356	147,644	100%	59%
SJ RIVER SETTLEMENT	100,000	13,922	15,000	29%	14%
GENERAL LEGAL	60,000	25,549	25,500	85%	43%
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,019,273	1,158,485	832,873	99%	57%
BALANCE	0	146,352			

**San Joaquin River Exchange
Contractors Water Authority**

2026 General Budget Comparison

BUDGET DETAILED				
REVENUES FOR:	2026 Budget	Actual Revenues YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2025 Budget
GENERAL	960,905	586,574	374,331	100%
WATERMASTER	207,939	155,954	51,985	100%
BAY DELTA	30,658	18,715	11,943	100%
WATER OPERATIONS	99,390	60,672	38,719	100%
PUMPING	5,934	3,622	2,312	100%
COMMUNICATIONS	180,188	109,994	70,194	100%
GENERAL CONSULTANTS	356,025	217,332	138,693	100%
SJ RIVER SETTLEMENT	98,896	60,370	38,526	100%
GENERAL LEGAL	59,338	36,222	23,116	100%
MISC. - INTEREST		35,382	164,619	
MISC. - MPG AGREEMENT	20,000	20,000	0	100%
TOTAL REVENUE	2,019,273	1,304,836	914,437	110%

BUDGET REVENUE CONTRIBUTIONS BY ENTITY YTD AS OF:						7/31/26
REVENUES FOR:	2026 Budget	63.38 % C.C.I.D.	7.02 % C.C.C	10.12 % F.C.W.D.	19.48% S.L.C.C.	TOTAL
GENERAL	\$960,905.24	\$371,770.73	\$41,177.52	\$59,361.30	\$114,264.66	\$586,574.21
WATERMASTER	\$207,939.28	\$38,988.62	\$38,988.62	\$38,988.62	\$38,988.62	\$155,954.48
BAY DELTA	\$30,657.71	\$11,861.35	\$1,313.76	\$1,893.92	\$3,645.62	\$18,714.65
WATER OPERATIONS	\$99,390.33	\$38,453.76	\$4,259.16	\$6,139.99	\$11,818.86	\$60,671.77
PUMPING	\$5,933.75	\$2,295.74	\$254.28	\$366.57	\$705.60	\$3,622.19
COMMUNICATIONS	\$180,188.21	\$69,714.17	\$7,721.57	\$11,131.39	\$21,426.81	\$109,993.94
GEN. CONSULTANTS	\$356,025.03	\$137,744.78	\$15,256.68	\$21,993.95	\$42,336.20	\$217,331.61
SJR SETTLEMENT	\$98,895.84	\$38,262.44	\$4,237.96	\$6,109.43	\$11,760.05	\$60,369.88
GENERAL LEGAL	\$59,337.50	\$22,957.45	\$2,542.78	\$3,665.67	\$7,056.03	\$36,221.93
TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,999,272.89	\$732,049.04	\$115,752.33	\$149,650.84	\$252,002.45	\$1,249,454.66

Board approved reduction of \$250,000 to 2nd Qtr Dues - 4/3/26

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2026 General Budget Comparison

GENERAL EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
AUDIT	11,000	10,500	500	100%
AUTO FUEL	5,200	2,341	2,500	93%
AUTO MAINT & REPAIR	2,000	1,161	839	100%
AUTO MILES & MISC	1,000	1,082	350	143%
BENEFITS, SALARIES & TAXES				
SALARIES	565,700	402,925	224,700	111%
PENSION -1 (10%)	56,570	40,293	22,470	111%
PENSION -2 (6.55%)	37,053	26,392	14,718	111%
PAYROLL TAX (ETT,FUTA,SUI,MED)	8,089	7,244	1,787	112%
BUILDING MAINT	8,300	5,284	3,016	100%
CAPITAL EXPENSE	10,000	2,850	4,000	69%
CONFERENCES	6,500	2,334	2,500	74%
DUES & SUBSCRIPT				
NEWS & PERIODIC	400	52	100	38%
ACWA	4,500	4,285	0	95%
BOOKS, ETC.	420	416	0	99%
OTHER ORG'S	2,100	1,580	520	100%
EQ MAINT & RENT				
MNT CONTRACT (COPIER)	11,000	3,542	5,500	82%
COMPUTER MAINTENANCE	5,000	4,251	2,300	131%
INSURANCE				
GEN LIAB 10/1/26	20,141	0	20,141	100%
PROPERTY 4/1/26	1,008	1,166	0	116%
WORK COMP QTRLY	3,490	2,034	1,456	100%
HEALTH & VISION 12/1/26 & 4/1/26	66,238	45,420	20,818	100%
DENTAL 12/1/26	2,100	1,706	394	100%
LIFE 4/1/26	1,850	755	642	76%

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2026 General Budget Comparison

GENERAL EXPENSES CON'T.	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
OFFICE SUPPLIES	7,500	6,164	1,336	100%
OUTSIDE SERVICES				
PENSION PLAN ADMIN. FEES	1,250	625	625	100%
PENSION PLAN ANNUAL FEE	525	0	525	100%
OTHER OUTSIDE SERVICES	500	0	250	50%
POSTAGE	3,200	1,531	1,669	100%
PRINT & REPRO	6,500	2,792	3,708	100%
PUB RELATIONS	55,000	24,804	30,196	100%
RENT (OFFICE/STORAGE UNIT)	27,500	15,951	11,549	100%
TELEPHONE				
OFFICE	3,500	1,979	1,521	100%
CELLULAR	3,400	1,986	1,414	100%
TRAVEL				
AIR FARE	7,000	2,371	4,629	100%
LODGE/MEALS	20,000	10,155	9,845	100%
UTILITIES	6,000	3,148	2,852	100%
MISCELLANEOUS	100	0	0	0%
GENERAL SUBTOTAL	971,634	639,118	399,371	107%

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2026 General Budget Comparison

WATERMASTER - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
AUTO FUEL	3,000	1,470	1,530	100%
AUTO MAINT & REPAIR	1,500	209	1,291	100%
AUTO MILES & MISC	120	66	54	100%
BENEFITS, SALARIES & TAXES				
SALARY	118,313	74,002	44,311	100%
RETIREMENT				
PENSION -1 (10%)	11,831	7,400	4,431	100%
PENSION -2 (6.55%)	7,749	4,847	2,902	100%
PAYROLL TAX (ETT,FUTA,SUI,MED)	2,148	1,434	713	100%
CAPITAL EXPENSE	1,000	0	1,000	100%
CONFERENCES	550	445	105	100%
DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS				
DWR SNOW SURVEY REPORT	1,500	0	1,500	100%
INSURANCE				
GEN LIAB 10/1/26	6,714	0	6,714	100%
PROPERTY 4/1/26	350	389	0	111%
WORK COMP QTRLY	5,356	2,571	2,785	100%
HEALTH & VISION 12/1/26 & 4/1/26	28,108	19,113	8,996	100%
DENTAL 12/1/26	1,100	748	352	100%
LIFE 4/1/26	650	361	289	100%
OUTSIDE SERVICES				
WATER QUALITY LAB FEES	6,200	2,815	3,385	100%
OTHER OUTSIDE SERVICES	6,500	32	6,500	100%
TELEPHONE				
OFFICE	1,800	660	720	77%
CELLULAR	900	569	331	100%
TRAVEL				
LODGE \ MEALS	2,500	324	500	33%
MISCELLANEOUS	50	0	0	0%
WATERMASTER SUBTOTAL	207,939	117,454	88,408	99%

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2026 General Budget Comparison

BAY DELTA ISSUES - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
CONSULTANTS				
COA/State Board Issues (Steiner)	5,000	0	5,000	100%
Special Projects (Cory)	6,000	2,455	3,545	100%
LEGAL	20,000	9,031	10,969	100%
BAY DELTA SUBTOTAL	31,000	11,486	19,514	100%

WATER OPERATIONS - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
CONSULTANTS	90,000	44,125	45,875	100%
LEGAL	10,500	334	0	3%
	100,500	44,459	45,875	90%

PUMPING ISSUES - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
MENDOTA POOL AGREEMENT				
Consultant	3,500	2,540	960	100%
Legal	2,500	0	0	0%
PUMPING SUBTOTAL	6,000	2,540	960	58%

COMMUNICATIONS - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
CONSULTANTS				
Website Update/Maintenance	2,200	1,600	600	100%
Public Relations	180,000	90,000	90,000	100%
COMMUNICATIONS SUBTOTAL	182,200	91,600	90,600	100%

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GENERAL CONSULTANTS - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
LOBBYIST				
Federal	270,000	159,856	110,144	100%
State	90,000	52,500	37,500	100%
GENERAL CONSULTANTS SUBTOTAL	360,000	212,356	147,644	100%

SJ RIVER SETTLEMENT - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
CONSULTANT	25,000	0	5,000	20%
LEGAL	75,000	13,922	10,000	32%
SJ RIVER SETTLEMENT SUBTOTAL	100,000	13,922	15,000	29%

GENERAL LEGAL - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
GENERAL	60,000	25,549	25,500	85%
GENERAL LEGAL SUBTOTAL	60,000	25,549	25,500	85%

TOTAL EXPENSES	2,019,273	1,158,485	832,873	99%
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Project Breakdown

7/31/2026

MENDOTA POOL PUMPING ISSUES/COST SHARE MONITORING					
Mo./Yr. of Inception	Mo./Yr. of Last Payment	Name	Expense	Annual Reimb. by MPG	Diff. Between Income/Exp.
3/99	7/25	KENNETH D. SCHMIDT & ASSOC.	\$ 203,925		
3/99	1/16	CCID	\$ 39,461		
7/99	1/00	JM LORD, INC.	\$ 15,581		
7/99	1/01	FGL ENVIR.	\$ 7,878		
7/99	12/99	MENDOTA POOL GROUP (L&S)	\$ 9,561		
3/99	7/22	MINASIAN LAW FIRM	\$ 80,787		
6/01	2/26	MENDOTA POOL GROUP		\$ 520,000	
TOTAL			\$ 357,192	\$ 520,000	\$ 162,808

SAN JOAQUIN RIVER SETTLEMENT ISSUES					
7/06	11/15	CH2M HILL	\$ 239,409		\$ 239,409
1/06	12/25	DUANE MORRIS LLP	\$ 2,152,143		\$ 2,152,143
8/05	6/19	SCHRAMM, WMS & ASSOC.	\$ 278,526		\$ 278,526
8/09	9/24	MINASIAN LAW FIRM	\$ 137,823		\$ 137,823
5/10	2/11	DAN STEINER	\$ 5,018		\$ 5,018
10/10	1/11	ITRC	\$ 42,576		\$ 42,576
11/10	11/10	KENNETH D. SCHMIDT & ASSOC.	\$ 538		\$ 538
5/15	12/17	FISHBIO	\$ 42,672		\$ 42,672
TOTAL			\$ 2,898,705		\$ 2,898,705

DRAINAGE ISSUES			
Mo./Yr. of Inception	Mo./Yr. of Last Payment	Name	Expense
1/02	5/16	MINANSIAN LAW FIRM	\$ 847,974
1/02	7/26	DAVID CORY	\$ 718,341
1/02	10/11	HYDROFOCUS	\$ 86,297
6/03	8/07	DAN STEINER	\$ 18,150
1/02	3/05	CAL POLY	\$ 45,858
8/04	12/04	DAVIDS ENGINEERING	\$ 12,800
5/05	5/05	MASON, ROBBINS, ET AL LAW FIRM	\$ 13,894
7/10	11/11	KENNETH SCHMIDT & ASSOC.	\$ 12,283
TOTAL			\$ 1,755,596

BAY DELTA ISSUES			
Mo./Yr. of Inception	Mo./Yr. of Last Payment	Name	Expense
7/09	10/10	ITRC	\$ 161,000
9/10	2/11	KENNETH SCHMIDT & ASSOC.	\$ 45,337
7/11	12/25	DAN STEINER	\$ 111,716
10/13	10/13	CH2M HILL	\$ 1,379
12/13	8/14	FWA (BDGP MODELING EFFORT)	\$ 26,857
5/19	5/19	STATE WATER CONTRACTORS	\$ 15,000
TOTAL			\$ 361,289

SUBSIDENCE ISSUES					
Mo./Yr. of Inception	Mo./Yr. of Last Payment	Name	Expense	Reimb. By Others	Total Costs Incurred
8/12	10/16	KENNETH SCHMIDT & ASSOC.	\$ 85,756		\$ 85,756
8/12	5/15	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	\$ 205,614		\$ 205,614
4/13	2/15	MINASIAN LAW FIRM	\$ 7,027		\$ 7,027
8/12	2/16	RED TOP AREA WATER PROJECTS		\$ (49,536)	\$ (49,536)
9/12	10/12	COUNTY OF MADERA		\$ (10,000)	\$ (10,000)
11/12	12/12	COUNTY OF MERCED		\$ (15,000)	\$ (15,000)
TOTAL			\$ 298,397	\$ (74,536)	\$ 223,861

**San Joaquin River Exchange
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**2026 Water Transfer
Budget Comparison**

BUDGET SUMMARY

PERIOD ENDING: 7/31/26

REVENUES FOR:

ADMINISTRATION
CONSULTANTS
LEGAL
VOLUNTARY SETTLEMENT AGR. (VSA)

2026 Budget	Actual YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget	Percentage of Budget as of 7/31/26
46,425	34,819	11,606	100%	75%
6,000	4,500	1,500	100%	75%
40,000	30,000	10,000	100%	75%
840,000	0	0	0%	0%
932,425	69,319	23,106	100%	75%

TOTAL REVENUE

EXPENSES FOR:

ADMINISTRATION
CONSULTANTS
LEGAL
VOLUNTARY SETTLEMENT AGR. (VSA)

2026 Budget	Actual YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget	Percentage of Budget as of 7/31/26
46,425	45,622	39,564	183%	98%
6,000	0	0	0%	0%
40,000	4,183	7,000	28%	10%
840,000	0	840,000	100%	0%
932,425	49,805	46,564	104%	54%

TOTAL EXPENSES

BALANCE (Excludes VSA Revenue & Expenses)

0	19,514
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BUDGET DETAILED

REVENUES FOR:

ADMINISTRATION
CONSULTANTS
LEGAL
VOLUNTARY SETTLEMENT AGR. (VSA)

2026 Budget	Actual Revenues YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
46,425	34,819	11,606	100%
6,000	4,500	1,500	100%
40,000	30,000	10,000	100%
840,000	0	0	0%
932,425	69,319	23,106	100%

TOTAL REVENUE

BUDGET REVENUE CONTRIBUTIONS BY ENTITY YTD AS OF:

7/31/26

REVENUES FOR:

ADMINISTRATION
CONSULTANTS
LEGAL

2026 Budget	52.50% C.C.I.D.	7.02% C.C.C	12.50% F.C.W.D.	27.98% S.L.C.C.	100% TOTAL
\$46,425.32	\$18,279.96	\$2,444.30	\$4,352.37	\$9,742.35	\$34,818.98
\$6,000.00	\$2,362.50	\$315.90	\$562.50	\$1,259.10	\$4,500.00
\$40,000.00	\$15,750.00	\$2,106.00	\$3,750.00	\$8,394.00	\$30,000.00
\$92,425.32	\$36,392.46	\$4,866.20	\$8,664.87	\$19,395.45	\$69,318.98

TOTAL REVENUE

VSA

	63.38%	7.02%	10.12%	19.48%	100.00%
\$840,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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**2026 Water Transfer
Budget Comparison**

ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
BENEFITS				
SALARIES	35,869	38,678	20,754	166%
PENSION - 1 (10%)	3,587	3,868	2,075	166%
PENSION - 2 (6.55%)	2,349	2,533	1,359	166%
PAYROLL TAX (ETT, FUTA, SUI, MED)	1,620	543	375	57%
APPLICATION FEES	3,000	0	15,000	500%
ADMINISTRATION SUBTOTAL	46,425	45,622	39,564	183%

CONSULTANT EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
CONSULTANTS				
DAN STEINER	6,000	0	0	0%
VOLUNTARY SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT	840,000	0	840,000	100%
CONSULTANTS SUBTOTAL	846,000	0	840,000	99%

LEGAL EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
LEGAL	40,000	4,183	7,000	28%
LEGAL SUBTOTAL	40,000	4,183	7,000	28%

TOTAL EXPENSES*	92,425	49,805	46,564	104%
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Project Breakdown

7/31/2026

WATER TRANSFER ISSUES			
Mo./Yr. of Inception	Mo./Yr. of Last Payment	Name	Expense
1/04	1/04	WATER TRANSFER ANALYSIS (CCID)	\$ 8,021
12/98	7/18	US BUREAU OF RECLAMATION	\$ 104,129
12/98	2/00	GRANT DAVIDS	\$ 11,652
12/02	6/26	MINASIAN LAW FIRM	\$ 2,040,519
6/99	7/19	DAN STEINER	\$ 348,647
12/99	8/05	URS GREINDER WOODWARD CLYDE	\$ 439,600
8/06	5/25	DUANE MORRIS, LLP	\$ 123,026
10/09	5/13	CARDNO ENTRIX	\$ 444,389
12/10	1/11	CAL POLY, ITRC	\$ 4,291
9/11	11/11	KENNETH SCHMIDT	\$ 9,929
2/18	9/18	SUSAN HOOTKINS	\$ 7,350
TOTAL			\$ 3,541,553

San Joaquin River Exchange
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WRP - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

2026 Water Resources Plan
Budget Comparison

BUDGET SUMMARY						
PERIOD ENDING:	7/31/26					
REVENUES FOR:		2026 Budget	Actual YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget	Percentage of Budget as of 7/31/26
ADMINISTRATION		14,503	10,877	3,626	100%	75%
CONSULTANTS*		2,500	1,875	625	100%	75%
LEGAL		0	0	0	0%	
TOTAL REVENUE		17,003	12,752	4,251	100%	75%
EXPENSES FOR:						
ADMINISTRATION		14,503	8,636	5,902	100%	60%
CONSULTANTS		69,164	0	69,164	100%	0%
LEGAL		10,000	0	10,000	100%	0%
TOTAL EXPENSES		93,667	8,636	85,066	100%	9%
BALANCE		-76,664	4,116			

*Revenue does not reflect cash carryover

BUDGET DETAILED				
REVENUES FOR:	2026 Budget	Actual Revenues YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
ADMINISTRATION	14,503	10,877	3,626	100%
CONSULTANTS	2,500	1,875	625	100%
LEGAL	0	0	0	
TOTAL REVENUE	17,003	12,752	4,251	100%

BUDGET REVENUE CONTRIBUTIONS BY ENTITY YTD AS OF:						
		7/31/26				
REVENUES FOR:	2026 Budget	63.38% C.C.I.D.	7.02% C.C.C	10.12% F.C.W.D.	19.48% S.L.C.C.	100% TOTAL
ADMINISTRATION	\$14,503.10	\$6,894.05	\$763.59	\$1,100.79	\$2,118.90	\$10,877.33
CONSULTANTS	\$2,500.00	\$1,188.37	\$131.63	\$189.75	\$365.25	\$1,875.00
LEGAL	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$17,003.10	\$8,082.42	\$895.22	\$1,290.54	\$2,484.15	\$12,752.33

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Contractors Water Authority

WRP - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

2026 Water Resources Plan
Budget Comparison

ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
BENEFITS				
SALARIES	10,566	6,181	4,415	100%
PENSION - 1 (10%)	1,057	618	442	100%
PENSION - 2 (6.55%)	692	405	289	100%
PAYROLL TAX (ETT, FUTA, SUI, MED)	183	107	76	100%
INSURANCE				
WORK COMP	70	44	26	100%
HEALTH & VISION	1,841	1,226	615	100%
DENTAL	55	32	23	100%
LIFE	40	23	17	100%
ADMINISTRATION SUBTOTAL	14,503	8,636	5,902	100%

CONSULTANT EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
SURFACE STORAGE	2,500	0	2,500	100%
MILLIKEN MUSEUM/WATER AGENCY OFFICE	66,664	0	66,664	100%
CONSULTANT SUBTOTAL	69,164	0	69,164	100%

LEGAL EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
LEGAL	10,000	0	10,000	100%
LEGAL SUBTOTAL	10,000	0	10,000	100%

TOTAL EXPENSES	93,667	8,636	85,067	100%
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Contractors Water Authority

PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

2026 Water Resources Plan
Budget Comparison

BUDGET SUMMARY					
PERIOD ENDING:	7/31/26				
REVENUES FOR:	2026 Budget	Actual YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget	Percentage of Budget as of 7/31/26
ADMINISTRATION	130,515	97,887	32,629	100%	75%
CONSULTANTS*	452,186	339,140	113,047	100%	75%
LEGAL	75,000	56,250	18,750	100%	75%
TOTAL REVENUE	657,701	493,276	164,425	100%	75%
EXPENSES FOR:					
ADMINISTRATION	130,515	77,725	53,114	100%	60%
CONSULTANTS	1,950,000	1,043,727	1,233,869	117%	54%
LEGAL	75,000	65,079	9,921	100%	87%
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,155,515	1,186,531	1,296,903	115%	55%
BALANCE	-1,497,814	-693,255			

*Revenue does not reflect cash carryover and grant funds to be received.

BUDGET DETAILED				
REVENUES FOR:	2026 Budget	Actual Revenues YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
ADMINISTRATION	130,515	97,887	32,629	100%
CONSULTANTS	452,186	339,140	113,047	100%
LEGAL	75,000	56,250	18,750	100%
TOTAL REVENUE	657,701	493,276	164,425	100%

BUDGET REVENUE CONTRIBUTIONS BY ENTITY YTD AS OF:					
		7/31/26			
REVENUES FOR:	2026 Budget	78.71% C.C.I.D.	8.72% C.C.C	12.57% F.C.W.D.	0.00% S.L.C.C.
ADMINISTRATION	\$130,515.43	\$77,046.52	\$8,535.72	\$12,304.34	\$0.00
CONSULTANTS	\$452,186.00	\$266,936.70	\$29,572.96	\$42,629.84	\$0.00
LEGAL	\$75,000.00	\$44,274.38	\$4,905.00	\$7,070.62	\$0.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$657,701.43	\$388,257.60	\$43,013.68	\$62,004.80	\$0.00

**San Joaquin River Exchange
Contractors Water Authority**

PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

**2026 Water Resources Plan
Budget Comparison**

ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
BENEFITS				
SALARIES	95,090	55,631	39,736	100%
PENSION - 1 (10%)	9,509	5,563	3,974	100%
PENSION - 2 (6.55%)	6,228	3,644	2,603	100%
PAYROLL TAX (ETT, FUTA, SUI, MED)	1,643	964	679	100%
INSURANCE				
WORK COMP	624	392	232	100%
HEALTH & VISION	16,570	11,035	5,535	100%
DENTAL	490	286	204	100%
LIFE	360	210	150	100%
ADMINISTRATION SUBTOTAL	130,515	77,725	53,114	100%

CONSULTANT EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
LOS BANOS CREEK*				
PROJECT 2 (LB CREEK DETENTION DAM)	1,500,000	716,131	783,869	100%
GOLDEN MUSSELL MITIGATION	450,000	0	450,000	100%
DEL PUERTO CANYON RESERVOIR**				
PROJECT DESIGN	(TBD)	327,596		
CONSULTANT SUBTOTAL	1,950,000	1,043,727	1,233,869	117%

*LBC 2025 Carryover - \$866,450.61

**DPCR 2025 Carryover - \$861,215.99

LEGAL EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
LEGAL	75,000	65,079	9,921	100%
LEGAL SUBTOTAL	75,000	65,079	9,921	100%

TOTAL EXPENSES	2,155,515	1,186,531	1,296,903	115%
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Project Breakdown

7/31/2026

WATER RESOURCES PLAN THRU 2012			
LOS BANOS CREEK			
Mo./Yr. of Inception	Mo./Yr. of Last Payment	Name	Expense
5/12	1/13	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	\$ 171,278
5/12	10/12	KENNETH SCHMIDT & ASSOC.	\$ 8,869
5/12	7/12	MINASIAN LAW FIRM	\$ 328
5/12	7/12	CCID	\$ 445
7/12	8/12	DAN STEINER	\$ 579
12/12	1/13	U.S. BUREAU OF RECLAMATION	\$ 14,100
TOTAL			\$ 195,599
COLUMBIA CANAL COMPANY PROJECT			
5/12	1/13	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	\$ 107,655
5/12	1/13	KENNETH SCHMIDT & ASSOC.	\$ 20,256
5/12	7/12	MINASIAN LAW FIRM	\$ 499
5/12	7/12	CCID	\$ 677
7/12	8/12	DAN STEINER	\$ 878
TOTAL			\$ 129,964

WATER RESOURCES PLAN - BEGINNING 2013			
LOS BANOS CREEK			
Mo./Yr. of Inception	Mo./Yr. of Last Payment	Name	Expense*
5/12	11/19	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	\$ 462,575
6/13	10/13	CARDNO ENTRIX	\$ 8,496
5/12	5/17	KENNETH SCHMIDT & ASSOC.	\$ 5,147
5/12	9/25	MINASIAN LAW FIRM	\$ 58,441
5/12	6/30	CCID	\$ 370,468
12/12	6/20	U.S. BUREAU OF RECLAMATION	\$ 55,633
8/19	4/20	DAN STEINER	\$ 9,649
12/19	7/26	SLWD	\$ 1,077,627
TOTAL			\$ 2,048,037

*Grant Reimbursement - EC Share - \$672,206.43; \$174,732.41 (11/2023); \$36,807.09 (8/2024)

COLUMBIA CANAL COMPANY PROJECT			
5/12	3/17	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	\$ 31,702
5/12	1/17	KENNETH SCHMIDT & ASSOC.	\$ 11,766
3/13	4/13	RESOURCE CONSERV. SOLUTIONS	\$ 6,000
5/12	4/13	MINASIAN LAW FIRM	\$ 4,940
TOTAL			\$ 54,408

CCC WRMP - FARMERS WATER DISTRICT (50/50)			
Mo./Yr. of Inception	Mo./Yr. of Last Payment	Name	EC's Share
4/17	7/18	CCID	\$ 6,775
8/16	10/18	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	\$ 16,585
1/17	2/17	TECHNICON	\$ 3,946
3/17	2/18	KENNETH D. SCHMIDT ASSOC.	\$ 2,815
TOTAL			\$ 30,122

CCC WRMP - B&B FARMS SITE PROJECT			
1/17	2/17	TECHNICON	\$ 3,700
5/17	9/18	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	\$ 11,733
4/17	9/18	CCID	\$ 15,478
4/17	2/18	KENNETH D. SCHMIDT ASSOC.	\$ 2,303
TOTAL			\$ 33,214

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION			
Project Number	Mo./Yr. of Last Payment	Contract Fee	Invoiced to Date
3495-13-B1*	7/14	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 76,207.90
3495-13-B2	10/13	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 44,998.56
3495-13-B3	6/13	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 392.50
3495-13-B4	1/14	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 24,258.21
3495-13-B5	12/13	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,987.50
TOTAL		\$ 165,000.00	\$ 171,844.67

*Amendment to Contract

LOS BANOS CREEK - PROJECT 3 (50/50 - EC/SLWD)			
Mo./Yr. of Inception	Mo./Yr. of Last Payment	Name	EC's * Share
8/13	2/14	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	\$ 6,334
TOTAL			\$ 6,334

*P&P Contract Total Amount - \$30,000 (EC Share - \$15,000)

ORESTIMBA CREEK PROJECT (50/50 - EC/DEL PUERTO)			
Mo./Yr. of Inception	Mo./Yr. of Last Payment	Name	EC's Share
3/14	1/19	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	\$ 163,368
3/14	3/21	CCID	\$ 423,854
4/15	5/15	TECHNICON	\$ 3,095
8/15	9/20	KENNETH D. SCHMIDT ASSOC.	\$ 8,723
9/17	2/20	DEL PUERTO WD	\$ 10,840
TOTAL			\$ 609,880

MENDOTA POOL CONVEYANCE INVESTIGATION			
Mo./Yr. of Inception	Mo./Yr. of Last Payment	Name	EC's Share
9/17	11/17	CCID	\$ 16,358
TOTAL			\$ 16,358

**SAN JOAQUIN RIVER EXCHANGE
CONTRACTORS WATER AUTHORITY**

**2026 SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DRAINAGE
AUTHORITY BUDGET COMPARISON**

BUDGET SUMMARY				
PERIOD ENDING:	7/31/26			
REVENUES FOR:		2026 Budget	Actual YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026
Fund 900 (General Membership)		58,169	29,085	29,085
Fund 901 (Irrigated Lands Reg. Program)		1,491,322	745,661	745,661
TOTAL REVENUE		1,549,491	774,746	774,746
EXPENSES FOR:				Percentage of 2026 Budget
Fund 900 (General Membership)		58,169	29,085	100%
Fund 901 (Irrigated Lands Reg. Program)		1,491,322	745,661	100%
TOTAL EXPENSES		1,549,491	774,746	100%
BALANCE		0	0	

BUDGET REVENUE CONTRIBUTIONS BY ENTITY YTD AS OF:						
		7/31/26				
REVENUES FOR:	2026 Budget	63.38% C.C.I.D.	7.02% C.C.C	10.12% F.C.W.D.	19.48% S.L.C.C.	100% TOTAL
Fund 900 (GM)						
	\$58,169	\$18,433.76	\$2,041.73	\$2,943.35	\$5,665.66	\$29,085
Fund 901 (ILRP)						
		70.7%	7.7%	0.0%	21.6%	100%
	\$1,491,322	\$527,331.46	\$57,043.06	\$0.00	\$161,286.48	\$745,661
TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,549,491	\$545,765.22	\$59,084.79	\$2,943.35	\$166,952.14	\$774,746

EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 7/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
Fund 900 (General Membership)	58,169	29,085	29,085	100%
Fund 901 (Irrigated Lands Reg. Program)	1,491,322	745,661	745,661	100%
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,549,491	774,746	774,746	100%

SAN JOAQUIN RIVER EXCHANGE CONTRACTORS WATER AUTHORITY
CASH ACTIVITY REPORT
Period Ending: July 31, 2026

CASH BALANCE: June 30, 2026	Westamerica Checking	LAIF (3.84% daily; 3.84% qtrly)	Mechanic's Bank Money Market Acct (3.61%)	Mechanic's Bank Community Fund MM Acct. (3.61%)	Westamerica Money Market Account (3.0%)		Petty Cash	Total Cash
					General	MPG^		
Increases:								
SLCC, Reimb. Legal Fees	\$1,023.61	\$958,855.36	\$697,073.16	\$1,100,899.89	\$264,930.57	\$27,605.12	\$280.81	\$3,050,768.52
CCID, Reimb. Legal Fees	2,855.42							2,855.42
Semiotropic Water Storage District, Re: SLCC Followed Transfer	2,870.25							2,870.25
San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority, Re: May '26 Water Transfer	6,613,074.00							6,613,074.00
CCC, Re: '26 Wtr. Transfer - 3rd Qtr Dues	6,500,000.00							6,500,000.00
CCC, Re: '26 WRP Budgets - 3rd Qtr Dues	1,622.06							1,622.06
CCC, Re: Reimb. '23 Conveyance Fees True Up	14,636.30							14,636.30
CCC, Re: '26 General Budget - 3rd Qtr Dues	13,559.52							13,559.52
SLCC, Reimb. Legal Fees	44,434.11							44,434.11
SLCC, Reimb. Legal Fees	2,425.25							2,425.25
SLCC, Re: Reimb. '23 Convey Fees True Up; '26 Gen., Wtr. Transfer, WRP - 3rd Qtr Dues	145,154.03							145,154.03
BOR, Re: June '26 Water Transfer	2,233,400.00							2,233,400.00
FOWD, Re: Reimb. '23 Convey. Fees True Up; '26 Gen., Wtr. Transfer, WRP - 3rd Qtr Dues	101,851.00							101,851.00
BOR, Re: May '26 Water Transfer	2,621,450.00							2,621,450.00
Del Puerto Water District, Re: Reimb. Consultant Expenses - DPCR Project	951.00							951.00
CCID, Re: Reimb. '23 Conveyance Fees True Up	122,421.93							122,421.93
CCID, Re: '26 General Budget - 3rd Qtr Dues	296,833.00							296,833.00
CCID, Re: '26 Wtr. Transfer - 3rd Qtr Dues	12,130.82							12,130.82
CCID, Re: '26 WRP Budgets - 3rd Qtr Dues	132,113.33							132,113.33
Westside Water Authority, Re: May '26 Water Transfer	487,361.00							487,361.00
San Luis Water District, Re: Reimb. LBC Project 2	397.58							397.58
Santa Clara Valley WD, Re: June '26 Water Transfer	293,800.00							293,800.00
Mechanic's Bank Check #20529 Community Fund		2,169.52		520,000.00				520,000.00
Mechanic's Bank, June '26 Interest				3,458.63				3,458.63
Mechanic's Bank, June '26 Interest								863.20
Westamerica, June '26 Interest		9,360.11			806.59	55.81	0.80	9,360.11
LAIF, '26 2nd Qtr Interest								35,000.00
Transfer from Money Market to Checking: 7/13/26								14,000.00
Transfer from Money Market to Checking: 7/17/26								6,613,074.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/8/26								5,963,500.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/9/26								74,500.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/10/26								147,500.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/14/26								2,233,500.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/15/26								73,000.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/16/26								2,621,450.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/20/26								12,096,600.00
Transfer from Money Market to Checking: 7/27/26								265,500.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/28/26								\$31,788,940.60
TOTAL INCREASES		\$9,360.11	\$2,169.52	\$523,458.63	\$17,992,830.59	\$55.81	\$0.80	\$50,316,816.06
Decreases:								
Check Disbursements								
Transfer from Money Market to Checking: 7/3/26								18,942,251.36
Transfer from Money Market to Checking: 7/7/26				100,972.00				35,000.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/8/26					35,000.00			14,000.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/9/26								6,613,074.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/10/26								5,963,500.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/14/26								74,500.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/15/26								147,500.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/16/26								2,233,500.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/16/26								73,000.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/20/26								2,621,450.00
Transfer from Money Market to Checking: 7/27/26								12,096,600.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 7/28/26								265,500.00
TOTAL DECREASES		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100,972.00	\$12,145,600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$49,079,875.36
CASH BALANCE: July 31, 2026	(\$5,043,339.15)	\$968,215.47	\$699,242.68	\$1,523,386.52	\$6,112,161.16	\$27,660.93	\$281.61	\$4,287,709.22

Accounts Receivable:				
NAME	0 - 30	31-60	61-90	>90
SLDHWA	\$ 14,645,150.00			
Triangle T WD	\$ 1,311,700.00			
Westside WA	\$ 410,098.32			
TOTAL	\$ 16,366,948.32	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Reimbursement of Conveyance Fees:	\$	176,250.00
Accounts Receivables:	\$	3,500.00
Water Transfer Payment:	\$	(781,161.00)
Community Infrastructure Restricted Funds^	\$	(1,523,386.52)
MPG Restricted Funds^	\$	(27,660.93)
Miliken Museum Restricted Funds^	\$	(281.61)
Subtotal	\$	\$2,134,969.16
WRP Balance^	\$	(1,376,347.35)
Subtotal	\$	758,621.81
2026 Outstanding General Budget Membership Dues	\$	499,818.23
Subtotal	\$	1,258,440.04
Current Estimated Expenses for General Budget	\$	(832,873.00)
** \$	\$	425,567.04

**Total General Budget Reserve set by Board of Directors to a minimum of \$150,000 on October 3, 2003

CASH ACTIVITY REPORT - JULY W BREA/COWEN

**MINUTES OF THE SAN JOAQUIN RIVER EXCHANGE CONTRACTORS
WATER AUTHORITY FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2026**

The Finance Committee of the *San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority (SJRECWA)* met in Regular Session on Friday, June 26, 2026 in the Board Room of the *San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority*, 541 "H" Street, City of Los Banos, County of Merced, State of California.

The following persons were present:

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES: Chris White, Chris Cardella (via teleconference), Jarrett Martin (via teleconference), Jeff Bryant, and Mike Gardner (via teleconference)

OTHERS: Joann White, SJRECWA Director of Finance & Administration, Steve Chedester, SJRECWA Director of Policy & Programs, and Marisol Bonilla, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Chris White called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. and reported there were no changes to the agenda.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE JUNE 2, 2026
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

The unapproved minutes of the June 2, 2026 Finance Committee meeting were presented. A motion was made by Jeff Bryant and seconded by Mike Gardner to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

JUNE 2026 GENERAL BUDGET COMPARISON

The June 2026 General Budget Comparison was presented with a review of the revenue and expenses to date, which included review of proposed adjustments to estimated expenses. Ms. Bonilla stated that the third quarter dues will be mailed out.

JUNE 2026 WATER TRANSFER BUDGET COMPARISON

The Water Transfer Budget Comparison for June 2026 was presented, and Ms. Bonilla reported that an adjustment was made to legal fees estimated expenses.

JUNE 2026 WATER RESOURCES PLAN (GENERAL) BUDGET COMPARISON

The General Budget Comparison for the Water Resources Plan was presented and reviewed.

**JUNE 2026 WATER RESOURCES PLAN
(PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT) BUDGET COMPARISON**

The June report on the Water Resources Plan Budget Comparison under the Participation Agreement was presented with a review of both revenue and expenses to date.

**JUNE 2026 SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DRAINAGE AUTHORITY
BUDGET COMPARISON**

The San Joaquin Valley Drainage Authority Budget Comparison was presented.

JUNE 2026 CASH ACTIVITY REPORT AND EXPENDITURE LIST

Upon review of the June Expenditure List and Cash Activity Report, a motion was made by Mike Gardner and seconded by Jeff Bryant to recommend approval of the June 2026 financial report as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

With no further business coming before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 a.m.

CHRIS CARDELLA

JARRETT MARTIN

JEFF BRYANT

MIKE GARDNER

CHRIS WHITE

Four Entities Water Report

To: Chris White and the Four Entities Board of Directors
From: Adam Hoffman, Water Resources Specialist
Date: Friday, August 7, 2026
Subject: Water Report for the Four Entities Board Meeting

General Information:

		<u>San Joaquin River</u>	
Mendota Pool	1,441 cfs	Friant Release	361 cfs
Delta Mendota Canal	494 cfs	Gravelly Ford	139 cfs
SJRECWA Total Demand	1,935 cfs	Chowchilla Bypass	0 cfs
		Into Mendota Pool	42 cfs
		Mendota Dam	565 cfs
		Sack Dam	30 cfs

<u>Current Reservoir Storages:</u>	<u>Current Storage</u>	<u>Last Reported 7/1</u>	<u>Difference in Storage</u>	<u>Max Storage</u>	<u>% of Max</u>	<u>% of Avg.</u>
Shasta	2,991,327	3,636,707	-645,380	4,552,000	66%	98%
San Luis	1,155,523	1,249,176	-93,653	2,041,000	57%	134%
SL Federal	394,351	595,754	-201,403	965,655	41%	124%
SL SWP	761,172	653,422	107,750	1,075,345	71%	140%
Millerton	276,626	467,240	-190,614	520,500	53%	81%
Pine Flat	259,137	634,323	-375,186	1,000,000	26%	57%
Los Banos Creek D. Dam	8,315	8,677	-362	34,600	24%	41%
<u>Upper San Joaquin Basin:</u>						
Edison	71,279	84,912	-13,633	125,000	57%	98%
Florence	35,468	58,646	-23,178	64,000	55%	85%
Huntington	87,709	87,881	-172	89,000	99%	105%
Shaver	90,422	116,810	-26,388	136,000	66%	81%
Mammoth	90,445	102,819	-12,374	120,000	75%	112%
Redinger	24,148	23,338	810	26,000	93%	96%
Bass Lake (Crane Valley Res.)	38,574	39,153	-579	46,100	84%	101%
Total Upstream Storage:	438,045	513,559	-75,514	606,100	72%	97%

Accumulated Full Natural Flow to Shasta Lake:

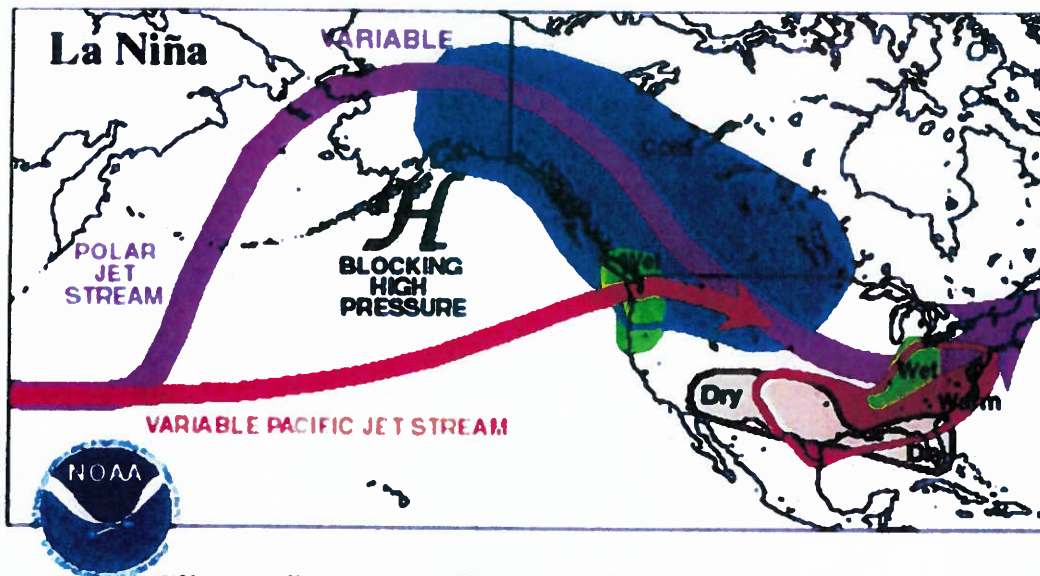
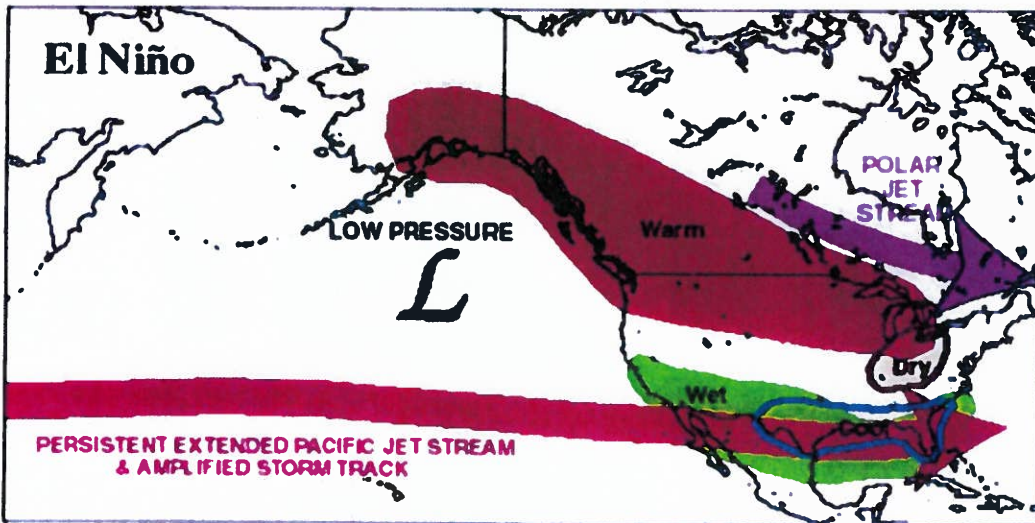
<u>2026</u>	<u>% of Avg.</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>% of Avg.</u>	<u>104 Year Average</u>
4,617.6	89%	6,334.1	122%	5,175.7

Delta Operations:

Sacramento River at Freeport	22,036 cfs	Yolo Bypass and East Side Streams.	989 cfs
San Joaquin River at Vernalis	935 cfs		
Total Delta Inflow	23,960 cfs		
Bill Jones Pumping Plant	4,222 cfs	DMC-Calif. Aqueduct	
Other Delta Exports	167 cfs	Intertie	480 cfs
Harvey O Banks Pumping Plant	4,995 cfs		
Total Delta Exports	9,384 cfs		
Net Delta Consumptive Use	4,150 cfs		
Outflow Index (Out the Gate)	10,426 cfs		
% of Inflow Diverted	39%		
Controlling Factor(s)	Delta WQ		

El Niño and La Niña - Related Winter Features Over North America

**TYPICAL JANUARY-MARCH WEATHER ANOMALIES
AND ATMOSPHERIC CIRCULATION
DURING MODERATE TO STRONG
EL NIÑO & LA NIÑA**



Climate Prediction Center/NCEP/NWS

General: During winter El Niño episodes (top map) feature a strong jet stream and storm track across the southern part of the United States, and less storminess and milder-than-average conditions across the North. La Niña episodes (bottom map) feature a very wave-like jet stream flow over the United States and Canada, with colder and stormier than average conditions across the North, and warmer and less stormy conditions across the South.

Detailed El Nino: El Niño episodes are associated with four prominent changes in the wintertime atmospheric flow across the eastern North Pacific and North America. The first is an eastward extension and equatorward shift of the East Asian jet stream from the International Date Line to the southwestern United States. The second is a more west-to-east flow of jet stream winds than normal across the United States. The third is a southward shift of the storm track from the northern to the southern part of the United States. The fourth is a southward and eastward shift of the main region of cyclone formation to just west of California. This shift results in an exceptionally stormy winter and increased precipitation across California and the southern U.S., and less stormy conditions across the northern part of the country. Also, there is an enhanced flow of marine air into western North America, along with a reduced northerly flow of cold air from Canada to the United States. These conditions result in a milder than normal winter across the northern states and western Canada.

Detailed La Nina: La Niña episodes are associated with three prominent changes in the wintertime atmospheric flow across the eastern North Pacific and North America. The first is an amplification of the climatological mean wave pattern and increased meridional flow across the continent and the eastern North Pacific. The second is increased blocking activity over the high latitudes of the eastern North Pacific. The third is a highly variable strength of the jet stream over the eastern North Pacific, with the mean jet position entering North America in the northwestern United States/ southwestern Canada. Accompanying these conditions, large portions of central North America experience increased storminess, increased precipitation, and an increased frequency of significant cold-air outbreaks, while the southern states experiences less storminess and precipitation.

SHASTA DAM

Tuesday, August 4, 2026

	STORAGE Accumulation	OUTFLOW Average	River Release	Accumulation FNF	Rain Fall Total
	-490,548 A F	11,569 CFS	0 CFS	204,771 AF	0.00 Inches
Date					
7/5/2026	3,481,875	11,216	0	3,801	0.00
7/6/2026	3,465,624	11,188	0	3,400	0.00
7/7/2026	3,450,311	11,431	0	3,425	0.00
7/8/2026	3,436,824	10,419	0	3,681	0.00
7/9/2026	3,419,629	11,737	0	3,471	0.00
7/10/2026	3,403,122	10,934	0	3,469	0.00
7/11/2026	3,387,431	11,278	0	3,579	0.00
7/12/2026	3,371,339	10,886	0	3,309	0.00
7/13/2026	3,356,041	11,270	0	3,141	0.00
7/14/2026	3,344,794	10,867	0	3,652	0.00
7/15/2026	3,333,580	10,512	0	3,399	0.00
7/16/2026	3,316,865	11,488	0	3,433	0.00
7/17/2026	3,300,086	11,135	0	3,617	0.00
7/18/2026	3,283,415	10,898	0	2,857	0.00
7/19/2026	3,266,809	10,624	0	3,811	0.00
7/20/2026	3,249,502	12,415	0	3,235	0.00
7/21/2026	3,229,653	13,218	0	3,280	0.00
7/22/2026	3,212,538	12,743	0	3,394	0.00
7/23/2026	3,193,439	12,959	0	3,375	0.00
7/24/2026	3,174,894	12,939	0	3,325	0.00
7/25/2026	3,154,638	12,719	0	3,697	0.00
7/26/2026	3,137,784	10,820	0	3,362	0.00
7/27/2026	3,122,197	11,081	0	3,565	0.00
7/28/2026	3,105,733	11,340	0	3,345	0.00
7/29/2026	3,090,127	11,361	0	3,682	0.00
7/30/2026	3,072,678	11,279	0	3,511	0.00
7/31/2026	3,054,369	12,099	0	3,545	0.00
8/1/2026	3,035,112	13,098	0	3,321	0.00
8/2/2026	3,018,438	11,630	0	3,647	0.00
8/3/2026	3,003,968	11,974	0	3,166	0.00
8/4/2026	2,991,327	10,730	0	3,543	0.00

WATER YEAR ACCUMULATION TO DATE:

Full Natural Flow to Shasta Lake in TAF: (Oct. 1 2025 to date)	4,617.6	89%
Accumulated Precipitation For Water Year To Date (Inches)	68.76	115%

Average Daily Inflow into Shasta Lake by Month in cfs

<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Feb</u>	<u>Mar</u>
3,493	5,850	13,482	15,981	10,225	7,814
91%	109%	155%	140%	72%	58%

<u>Apr</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>Jun</u>	<u>Jul</u>	<u>Aug</u>	<u>Sep</u>
6,873	5,071	3,906	3,485	3,419	0
60%	62%	74%	92%	101%	0%

Operator: USBR
Elevation 1,076

Reservoir Flows are daily Averages
Provisional Data and subject to change



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RECLAMATION

Historical Archive and Reports Database
Millerton Lake Daily Operations Report

Run Date: 08/05/2026

8/4/2026

Readings are for the following date as of 24:00 midnight (except as noted)

Millerton Lake

519.20 ft. Res Elev.	Storage	276,626 AF	Change	-787 AF	Inflow	2,195 CFS
	Capacity	520,500 AF	% Capacity	53.1 %	Monthly Accum. Inflow	14,981 AF
	0 cfs, Average Spillway Discharge for 24 hours.				WY Accum. Inflow	1,335,078 AF
	361 cfs, Average San Joaquin River Outlets Discharge for 24 hours.				Monthly Accum. SJR	2,888 AF
	367 cfs, Average Madera Canal Discharge for 24 hours.				Monthly Accum. MC	4,173 AF
	1,810 cfs, Average Friant- Kern Canal Discharge for 24 hours.				Monthly Accum. FKC	14,378 AF
	2,538 cfs, Total Average Release from Friant Dam for 24 hours.					
	0.49 inches, Evaporation at Friant Dam for 24 hours ending at 06:00 the current day (report date + 1).					
	54 cfs, Evaporation at Friant Dam for 24 hours ending at 06:00 the current day (report date + 1).					

Precipitation and Temperatures

Precipitation Totals

	Month	WY
0.00 inches, Precipitation at Friant Dam for 24 hours ending 06:00 the current day (report date + 1).	0.00	13.55
0.00 inches, Precipitation at Crane Valley.	0.00	27.85
0.00 inches, Precipitation at Huntington Lake.	0.00	31.48
108 Maximum	65 Minimum	Temperatures at Friant Dam
97 Maximum	67 Minimum	Temperatures at Crane Valley
82 Maximum	54 Minimum	Temperatures at Huntington Lake

Upstream Lake Storages

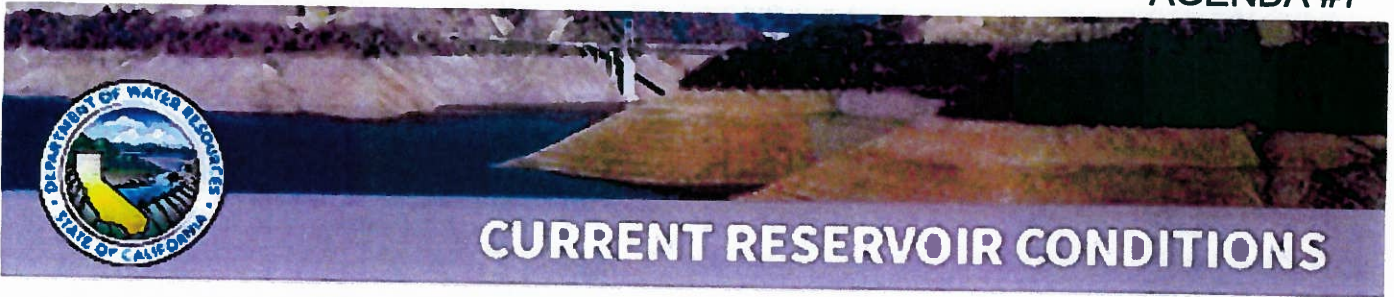
	Capacity	% Capacity
71,279 AF, Thomas A. Edison Lake	125,000 AF	57 %
35,468 AF, Florence Lake	64,000 AF	55 %
87,709 AF, Huntington Lake	89,000 AF	99 %
90,422 AF, Shaver Lake	136,000 AF	66 %
90,445 AF, Mammoth Pool	120,000 AF	75 %
24,148 AF, Redinger Lake	26,000 AF	93 %
38,574 AF, Crane Valley Reservoir	46,100 AF	84 %
2,318 AF, Kerckhoff Reservoir	4,188 AF	55 %
284,878 AF, Total for Edison, Florence, Huntington and Shaver	414,000 AF	69 %
399,471 AF, Total for Southern California Edison Company	560,000 AF	71 %
440,363 AF, Total Upstream Storage	610,288 AF	72 %
716,989 AF, Total Storage	1,130,788 AF	63 %

Natural River

183 CFS, Natural River	Monthly Accum. Natural River	2,360 AF
	WY. Accum. Natural River	1,428,673 AF

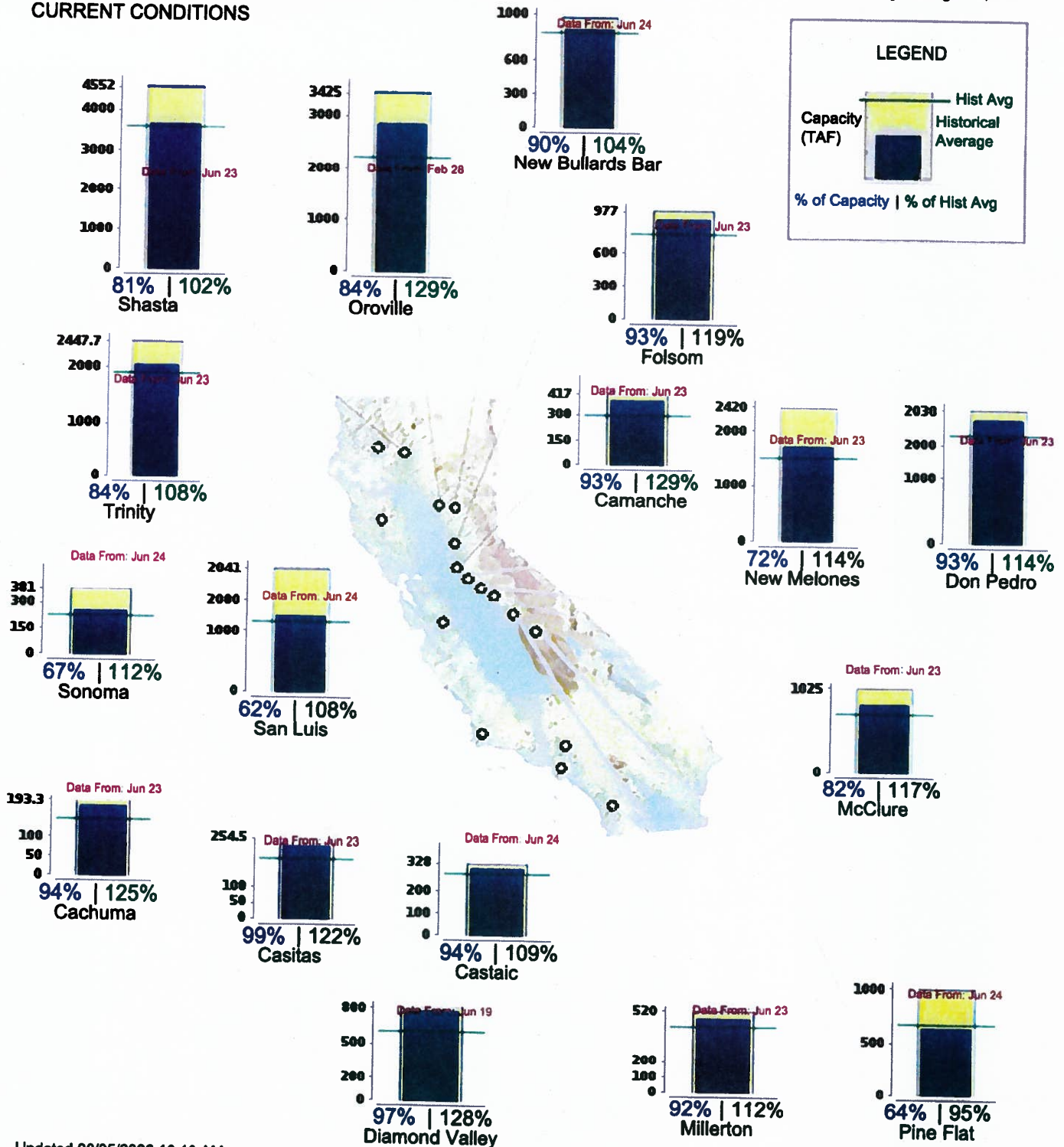
Gravelly Ford and Bifurcation

139 CFS, Flow at Gravelly Ford for current day (report date + 1) @ 06:00	Monthly Accum. Gravelly Ford	1,083 AF
42 CFS, Flow at Bifurcation for current day (report date + 1) @ 06:00	Monthly Accum. Bifurcation	335 AF



CALIFORNIA MAJOR WATER SUPPLY RESERVOIRS CURRENT CONDITIONS

Midnight - August 4, 2026



Updated 08/05/2026 10:18 AM



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Daily CVP Water Supply

Run Date: 08/05/2026

August 4, 2026

Reservoir Releases in Cubic Feet/Second

Reservoir	Dam	WY 2025	WY 2026	15 Yr Median
Trinity	Lewiston	966	447	455
Sacramento	Keswick	13,985	13,079	10,841
Feather	Oroville(SWP)	6,500	8,500	6,500
American	Nimbus	3,944	4,909	3,810
Stanislaus	Goodwin	226	252	302
San Joaquin	Friant	240	361	361

Storage in Major Reservoirs in Thousands of Acre-Feet

Reservoir	Capacity	15 Yr Avg	WY 2025	WY 2026	% of 15 Yr Avg
Trinity	2,448	1,518	2,065	1,884	124
Shasta	4,552	2,841	3,165	2,991	105
Folsom	977	566	549	617	109
New Melones	2,420	1,401	1,713	1,606	115
Fed. San Luis	966	317	284	394	124
Total North CVP	11,363	6,643	7,776	7,492	113
Millerton	521	323	302	277	86
Oroville (SWP)	3,425	2,096	2,669	2,438	116

Accumulated Inflow for Water Year to Date in Thousands of Acre-Feet

Reservoir	Current WY 2026	WY 1977	WY 1983	15 Yr Avg	% of 15 Yr Avg
Trinity	1,084	198	2,799	1,051	103
Shasta	4,618	2,223	10,250	4,466	103
Folsom	2,259	311	6,230	2,356	96
New Melones	712	---	2,630	904	79
Millerton	1,335	280	4,248	1,405	95

Accumulated Precipitation for Water Year To Date in Inches

Reservoir	Current WY 2026	WY 1977	WY 1983	Average (N Years)	% of Average	Last 24 Hours
Trinity at Fish Hatchery	31.02	12.11	55.19	30.20 (66)	103	0.00
Sacramento at Shasta Dam	68.76	17.42	112.58	58.95 (71)	117	0.00
American at Blue Canyon	59.36	15.64	103.88	63.80 (52)	93	0.00
Stanislaus at New Melones	28.38	---	45.33	26.69 (49)	106	0.00
San Joaquin at Huntington Lk	31.48	17.20	81.40	39.56 (53)	80	0.00

MEMO

TO: Chris White, SJRECWA Board of Directors
FROM: Steve Chedester - *SC*
DATE: August 7, 2026

San Joaquin River Restoration Program Update:

1. **Jacobs - The Mendota Pool Fish Screen and Control Structure:**
 - a. 90% Design
 - i. Jacobs completed the re-design of TSC's secondary fish screens, flume, pipe, and discharge to the Compact Bypass in January 2026.
 - ii. **Will finalize once TSC and NMFS provides final comments.**
2. **Reclamation- Compact Bypass Facility, Fish Ladder and Fish Recapture Facility (FRF):**
 - a. NMFS required the SJRRP to extend the downstream end of the fish ladder to meet their criteria and added a fish screen to the Auxiliary Water System (AWS) at the headworks.
 - b. **Currently, Reclamation is investigating an alternative pathway to complete the design and construct the project.**
 - c. Joint TSC- Jacobs' review in Denver was canceled in December 2025. The meeting has not been rescheduled.
 - d. Jacobs 100% design support for the O&M Building was completed in February 2026.
 - e. Reclamation reported they are now designing a 50 ft flat plate screen on the upstream side of the Compact Bypass structure, in front of the Alternative Water Supply (AWS) inlet, due to NMFS requirements for juvenile salmon.
3. **Financial Assistance Agreement (FAA):**
 - a. Extension until December 31, 2023, was executed in November.
 - b. In May 2024, CCID submitted a request to extend the FAA until December 31, 2025. CCID received the extension of the agreement until June 1, 2026. The requested documents to increase funding to complete the 100% design in FY 2025 have been submitted, and approval was received in June 2025.
 - c. Current agreement expired in June 2026.
4. **Consultation with NMFS on the BiOP for all of Reach 2B has not started. Finishing the designs will be delayed until the NMFS consultation is completed.**
5. NMFS Tour of Sack Dam and the Reach 2B projects on February 27th.
 - a. **Schedule (Jacobs revised):**
 - i. FAA- June 2019
 - ii. 5% design – August 2019
 - iii. Original 30% design – December 2019
 - iv. *30% redesign – Revised 30% December 2020 (Mendota Pool Fish Screen and Control Structure only). Modeling to be completed and delivered by June 2021 on the Fish Recapture Facility and Reverse Flow Facility.*

- v. Jacobs 60% design- November 2022 (final)
- vi. Jacobs 90% design –February 2025
- vii. Jacobs completed their design in February 2026

Design Schedule (BOR & Jacobs)

- viii. Revised 60% consolidated design (TSC/Jacobs) –Feb 2025
- ix. 90% consolidated design (TSC/Jacobs) – 2027
- x. 100% consolidated design (TSC/Jacobs) –2028
- xi. Construction Solicitation-Phase 1a – 2028
- xii. Bid Phase- Award Contract, start construction –2029 (Reclamation).
Construction- 2 years – Spring 2030

2. Reach 3 – Sack Dam, Fish Passage, and Arroyo Canal Fish Screen

a. Fish Screen and Combined Nature Like Fishway with Fish Passage

- i. Agreement on the operations plan with SLCC and BOR was reached in late December 2025; final approval by the agencies is expected in January.

b. Reclamation Schedule

- i. Construction began in late October 2025. Clearing and grubbing on the right bank is done, and the initial sheet pile installation on the right bank of the river is also completed.
- ii. Dewatering pumps(s) are installed, and 18” pipe piles are on site.
- iii. Clearing and grubbing on the left bank is complete.
- iv. 18” pipe piles are installed on the Eastside of the project.
- v. **Construction continues and is scheduled for completion in 2028.**

3. South Canal and Columbia Canal Siphon (Phase 1b):

- a. **Reclamation is considering soliciting a Design-Bid contract for the South Canal and CCC Siphon this summer/fall, with a proposed award in 2028.**

4. Reach 2B Levees

- a. South Levee (includes CCC siphon) and North Levee – has been delayed.

Bay Delta:

1. Implementation of 2024 Record of Decision on Long-Term Operations of the Central Valley Project and State Water Project

On December 4, 2025, Reclamation executed a Record of Decision on the Long-Term Operations of the Central Valley Project and State Water Project, as a first step towards implementing EO 14181, updating operations associated with the Record of Decision executed by Reclamation and the Biological Opinions issued by the Fish and Wildlife Service and NOAA Fisheries in December 2024. This new operation is described as “Action 5”.

Specifically, the Action 5 ROD updates the operations of the Projects by: **(1) Removing the Delta Smelt Summer and Fall Habitat Action (Fall X2)**, in response to findings by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife

Service that the action is not anticipated to have observable effects on delta smelt survival, **(2) Removing the early implementation measure of the Delta export reduction of the Healthy Rivers and Landscapes (“HRL”) program**, in response to uncertainties associated with the timing of potential adoption and implementation of the HRL Program by California’s State Water Resources Control Board, **(3) Updating the Delta operating criteria** to expand the opportunities for Old and Middle River (“OMR”) management at no more negative than -5,000 cubic feet per second (cfs), and a stormflex action of - 6,500 cfs, including the use of predictive tools for real-time assessment of environmental conditions

We continue to have high-level coordination with SLDMWA on these processes

Bay Delta Water Quality Control Plan

The State Water Resources Control Board released a draft Staff Report in support of possible updates to the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary (Bay-Delta Plan) that are focused on the Sacramento River watershed, Delta, and Delta eastside tributaries (Sacramento/Delta).

The draft Staff Report includes scientific information and environmental and economic evaluations to support possible Sacramento/Delta updates to the Bay-Delta Plan. The report assesses a range of alternatives for updating the Sacramento/Delta portions of the Bay-Delta Plan, including:

- a) An alternative based on a 2018 Framework document identifying a 55% of unimpaired flow level (within an adaptive range from 45-65%) from Sacramento/Delta tributaries and associated Delta outflows.
- b) A proposed Voluntary Agreements alternative that includes voluntary water contributions and physical habitat restoration on major tributaries to the Delta and in the Delta. In addition, the draft Staff Report identifies the proposed addition of tribal and subsistence fishing beneficial uses to the Bay-Delta Plan. The Staff Report draft is available for review on the SWRCB’s website. The State Water Resources Control Board will conduct a public hearing to receive oral comments on the draft staff report. There will be no sworn testimony or cross-examination.

We continue to have high-level coordination with SLDMWA on these processes.

1. SWRCB Phase 2

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- e) Lower San Joaquin River Flow/South Delta Salinity Implementation Next Steps, Assuming Regulatory Path (Phase 1)
 - i) Winter 2024/Spring 2025 for Final draft Staff Report for Tuolumne River VA.
 - ii) On November 5, 2025, the SWRCB held a public workshop on the Draft Scientific Basis Report for the Tuolumne River Voluntary Agreement.
 - iii) Final draft Staff report for the Tuolumne River VA.
 - iv) Final draft EIR and regulation implementing Lower SJR flows and South Delta Salinity.
 - v) Board consideration of regulations implementing Lower SJR flows and South Delta Salinity.
- f) **Sac/Delta Update (Phase 2): Key Milestones**
 - i) Summer 2024: Development of Draft Program of Implementation
 - ii) Spring 2025: Response to comments and development of proposed final changes to the Bay-Delta Plan.
 - iii) Winter 2026: Board consideration of revisions to the 2024 Draft Plan.

g) Voluntary Agreements

The July 2025 revised draft Bay-Delta Plan (2025 revised draft) incorporates proposed changes to the October 2024 draft (2024 draft) based on public input and comments received throughout the planning process, including feedback on several options for plan changes identified in the 2024 draft. Specifically, the 2024 draft identified the possible inclusion of flow, cold water habitat, and related provisions that were based on the proposed Plan amendments and alternatives identified in the 2023 draft Staff Report in support of updates to the

Bay-Delta Plan, as well as options for these provisions. The 2024 draft also identified the possible inclusion of Voluntary Agreements (VAs) to provide flows and non-flow habitat, as proposed by state and federal agencies and water users, referred to as the Healthy Rivers and Landscapes proposal, as well as options associated with the inclusion of VAs. The regulatory provisions would apply to all water right holders if the Board did not move forward with VAs, or, if the Board moved forward with VAs, to water rights not participating in approved VAs. The 2025 revised draft proposes moving forward with the inclusion of VAs in the Bay-Delta Plan: water rights in approved VAs (VA pathway) and regulatory provisions for water rights not included in approved VAs (regulatory pathway). The 2025 revised draft also includes proposals for addressing other options identified in the 2024 draft. The 2025 revised draft also proposes designating Tribal Tradition and Culture (CUL) as a beneficial use under the current plan.

Bay-Delta Plan update.

The State Water Board is conducting a limited recirculation of the draft Staff Report/Substitute Environmental Document (Staff Report) in support of the Sacramento/Delta update to the Bay-Delta Plan by releasing a new chapter (Chapter 13) for public review and comment. Chapter 13, Revised Proposed Plan Amendments, provides an updated project description with supporting environmental and economic analyses.

The State Water Board will receive public comments on the revised draft updates and Chapter 13 of the draft Staff Report, both in writing and orally, at the January 28-30 hearing and in writing until February 2, 2026. We signed a joint comment letter with the SLMWA and WWD.

We continue to closely coordinate with SLDMWA and others on implementation activities.

SUMMARY OF REVISED DRAFT UPDATES

- 1) **Tribal Beneficial Uses**
- 2) **Water Quality Objectives for Municipal, Industrial, and Agricultural Uses**
- 3) **Water Quality Objectives for Fish and Wildlife Uses**

2. Delta Conveyance

Delta Conveyance Project Petition for Change of Point of Diversion and Rediversion for the Delta Conveyance Project.

On February 22, 2024, the State Water Resources Control Board (Board) received a Petition for Change from the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to add two new points of diversion (POD) and rediversion (PORD) to the water right permits associated with the State Water Project. The proposed new PODs/PORDs would consist of screened intakes 2.3 miles apart, located on the lower Sacramento River between Freeport and Sutter Slough, which would allow DWR to divert water from the northern Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary (Delta) and convey the water through a tunnel to existing water distribution facilities in the southern Delta.

Water Blueprint for the San Joaquin Valley:

1. Activities

1. **Modified the by-laws to expand the number of members to 33.**
2. **The Blueprint Board is restructuring the Technical Committee. It is developing a Charter for the Technical Committee to clearly define purpose, membership, roles and responsibilities, and voting.**

The Water Blueprint involves water users, districts, farmers, municipalities, and other stakeholders across the Central Valley. Clarifying each group's specific roles and responsibilities will ensure effective participation in addressing California's water supply shortfall, which could impact one million acres, \$7.2 billion in farm revenue, and 85,000 jobs statewide. Engaging these stakeholders in infrastructure investments and policy changes is essential for capturing excess flows during wet years and replenishing aquifers.

Blueprint's strategic priorities for 2022-2025 include Advocacy, Groundwater Quality and Disadvantaged Communities, Land Use Changes & Environmental Planning, Outreach & Communications, SGMA Implementation, Water Supply Goals, Governance, Operations & Finance. These initiatives are aligned with recent legislative updates, such as SB72, which will influence stakeholder actions and timelines. Our mission is to unify the San Joaquin Valley's voice to advance accessible, reliable solutions for a balanced water future for all.

Strategic Planning: September 16, 2026, is the date for strategic planning following completion of the United Water Plan, noting that the current plan runs through 2026. The planning session will focus on defining the scope of future organizational activities—including legislative advocacy, policy, and communications—and engaging the board early to help shape direction for 2026 and beyond. Your participation will be key to shaping our shared future.

SB72 Implementation: Senate Bill 72 (Caballero) directs DWR to consult with the Water Commission on the establishment of an advisory committee to inform the development of the 2028 update to the Water Plan. The 2028 update will usher in a new emphasis on setting and meeting quantifiable water supply goals. The Blueprint has been invited to participate in the California Water Plan (CWP) Adaptation Strategies Test of Concept (ToC), working alongside the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) staff. Senate Bill (SB) 72 directs DWR to identify and evaluate effective water management climate adaptation strategies to help meet water supply targets, and to include those adaptation strategies in the CWP. Regional adaptation strategies will be formulated and evaluated throughout California for CWP 2033.

3. The California Water Institute, Research and Education Division, and the Water Blueprint for the San Joaquin Valley Education Fund (Blueprint) have developed a Unified Water Plan for the San Joaquin Valley. The intent of the Report is not to review or evaluate individual projects or efforts, but rather to coordinate and integrate among San Joaquin Valley subregions in the development of a unified plan for the San Joaquin Valley, one that enables and is consistent with local projects/efforts.
4. **Update: (currently chapters 1-6 are drafted and circulated for comments)**
 - Chapter 1. Introduction
 - Chapter 2. Water Supply Problems, Needs, and Opportunities.
 - Chapter 3. Overview of flood risks and management in the San Joaquin Valley and opportunities for improving flood management.
 - Chapter 4. Illustration of an environmental vision for the San Joaquin Valley and estimates of the water supplies needed to implement that vision.
 - Chapter 5. Evaluation of a range of potential projects and actions. (currently being redrafted)
 - Chapter 6. Recommendations for a path forward and a roadmap for implementation. Including policy recommendations.
 - **Circulated full draft for review in June. Main Categories: Restore Authorized Facility Capability, Improve Management of In-Valley Supplies, Increase Access to Delta Water Supplies**
 - **Anticipate finalizing in August. (Summary is attached)**
 - **The board will hold a strategic planning session on September 16, 2026.**

2. Meetings:

- a. The Board of Directors meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- b. The Collective Group Update meetings are TBD. For details on future Large Group meetings, please sign up for our Newsletter.
- c. The Technical Work Group meets on the 1st Friday of every month from 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- d. The Communications Work Group meets on the 2nd Wednesday of every month from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- e. The Education Work Group meets on the 2nd Monday of every month from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Draft Unified Water Plan Summary-July 2026

Summary

The Unified Water Plan is intended to inform decisions on near-term priorities, funding advocacy, and strategic partnerships. Restoring existing conveyance capacity and advancing local nonstructural projects are foundational and time-sensitive; larger regional projects can further reduce the Valley's supply-demand gap but will require substantial additional funding, coordination, and land-use planning.

Key findings

- **Foundational priority:** Projects that restore authorized design capacity to existing facilities should be prioritized for implementation.
- **Near-term yield from local + non-structural actions:** Implementation of local projects in combination with non-structural actions could reduce the supply-demand gap by approximately 800 TAF/YR to 1,400 TAF/YR.
- **Scale and cost:** Combined investments (restore capacity + local actions + large regional projects) are estimated at **\$10–\$19.4 billion**, depending on scenario; even at high investment levels, significant unmet demand and agricultural land repurposing (**180k–410k acres**) remain.
- **Economic risk:** Failure to act risks major economic losses (reduced farm revenue, jobs) and disproportionate impacts on low-income communities; funding burdens exceed typical agricultural budgets, requiring state/federal support and cross-sector partnerships.

Report Recommendations

1. **Advocate for immediate funding for capacity restoration.** Prioritize advocacy for the ~\$7.2B+ needed to restore CVP/SWP canals and south-Delta channel capacity; emphasize that these projects are foundational to realizing other investments.
2. **Accelerate near-term non-structural and local projects.** Support shovel-ready local recharge, FIRO/I-FIRM re-operation, and Delta operational changes that can deliver hundreds of thousands of AF within shorter timelines and lower capital cost.

3. **Pursuing strategic partnerships.** Pursue cost-sharing agreements with ag and urban water agencies and state/federal programs for groundwater banking, conveyance, and shared recharge.
4. **Develop a land-repurposing strategy.** Development of a regional plan for strategic farmland conversion that protects communities and captures ecosystem/energy benefits where repurposing is unavoidable.
5. **Support coordinated funding.** Back creation of a San Joaquin Valley Water Supply Security program (or similar) and legislative requests for dedicated state/federal funding and streamlined permitting.

Risks, constraints, and tradeoffs

- **Funding gap and affordability:** Capital needs likely exceed agricultural users' capacity; reliance on state/federal programs is essential.
- **Supply limits vs. project pipeline:** The inventory of local projects exceeds theoretical capability, but actual yields are constrained by available water, permitting, and operational limits—so not all projects will realize reported yields.
- **Timing and interdependencies:** Many local and regional projects depend on restored conveyance capacity; sequencing matters—investing in projects that cannot be delivered due to conveyance limits risks wasted funds.

MEMO

TO: Chris White, SJRECWA Board of Directors
FROM: Steve Chedester - *SC*
DATE: August 7, 2026

Water Resources Plan Update:

1. Orestimba Creek Recharge and Recovery:

- a. **Continue working with State Water Contractors and SWRCB staff to seek a resolution for the last protest on the permanent water rights.**
- b. **Recovery wells and construction are proceeding.**
- c. The Ribbon-Cutting ceremony on April 14, 2026, was a success.
- d. Grants
 - i. Storm Water Grant -\$5,600,000
 - ii. IRWM Grant- \$800,000
 - iii. Federal Grant (BOR) \$2,100,000 Small Storage Grant Program round 2 award.
 - iv. SGMA Grant - \$900,000.

Total Grants received-\$9,400,000

2. Los Banos Creek Reservoir Regulation:

a. Design/Construction:

- i. The bid package was sent out in August 2025, and 8 bids were received. Bids were opened on September 9, 2025, and the low bidder was Loral Ag & Water.
- ii. Contractor moved equipment on site in the last week of October 2025 and broke ground on November 10th.

1. **Connection to the SLWD supply pipeline is estimated to be by the end of September.**
2. **The rehabilitation of SLWD's lift stations 8 & 9, including the pumps, motors, and valves, is progressing.**
3. Air vents are installed and tested.
4. **Guard rails for the box culvert are being constructed- estimated installation mid-September.**
5. **Continue outreach with SLDMWA, MWD, WWD, CDFW, and others to determine whether a viable filtration solution exists for removing the Golden Mussel veliger.**
 - a. Both of our experimental filter stations are operational. (CCID shop)
 - b. **Working with CDFW on testing protocol, labs, and coordination on required reporting.**
6. The new boat dock was delivered.
7. The 450 cfs box culvert is constructed. Backfill and creek grading was completed April 3rd.
 - a. Releases for construction from the dam began on April 6th and ceased on April 19th.

8. The 54" and 30" HDP conveyance pipes have been installed.
 9. The boat ramp extension is complete.
 10. The pipeline discharge vault and riprap are complete.
 11. Ribbon-cutting ceremony on April 7th was a success.
 - b. **Permits/Licenses:**
 - i. Initial 401 request submitted in April, received final 401 certification on November 27
 - ii. Reclamation and the SWRCB agreed on the final permit conditions.
 - iii. The Operation and Management agreement was fully executed in October.
 - c. **Project Grant Funding:**
 - i. We were able to draw on FAA funds in late November to reimburse costs from August 2021 to the present. Received authorization to draw on additional funds from the grant. The grant funds are fully expended.
 - ii. Submitted semi-annual report by the October 31st deadline.
 - iii. The total amount of grants received was \$1,850,000.
 - d. **State Parks Concerns:**
 - i. **State Parks raised concerns about damage to roads in the park due to the heavy equipment traffic during the construction of the project, and the extended length of time the park has been closed due to construction delays. On June 18th, we met with them on site and looked at the damaged road sections. We developed a preliminary solution with State Parks, and P&P is getting a cost estimate. We received the cost estimate and agreed with State Parks that this will cover the existing impacts on the park infrastructure.**
3. **Los Banos Creek Recharge and Recovery Project:**
- a. In March 2024, we received a \$5.0 million community funding grant through Congressman Duarte's office.
 - b. In July, we were able to coordinate with Reclamation and get clarification on the necessary information to access the grant.
 - c. We discussed with Reclamation at the Water Users Conference the two awards (\$2.5M each): one for the CCID project and one for the SLWD project.
 - i. The project partners have compiled the required information to initiate the separate grant approval process.

MEMORANDUM



TO: Chris White, Executive Director, San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority
Anthea Hansen, General Manager, Del Puerto Water District

FROM: Xavier Irias

DATE: July 31, 2026

RE: Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Progress Update for August 2026 Board Meeting

Mr. White and Ms. Hansen:

Below is a summary of our progress on the Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir project.

Project Goals:

- 1) Design, permit, and construct an 82,000 AF south-of-delta reservoir to provide locally-owned and controlled water storage for agricultural and west-side communities water supply.
- 2) Seek to obtain up to 25% federal cost share through the Water Infrastructure Improvements in the Nation (WIIN) Act. A proportional share of the project benefits are the federal benefits.

Dam Design/Engineering

With the technical materials ready for submission to the Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD), the paperwork to formally apply for DSOD review is ready for submission in the near future.

Utility Relocation

The Program team continues to work with the dam and road designers, and PG&E, to coordinate the design of access roads and tower pads by TYLin with the tower design by PG&E's design team. The TYLin team and PG&E team continue to work together to resolve PG&E's comments on TYLin's 35% design. Currently PG&E is reviewing TYLin's response to PG&E comments.

The Crimson design team is refining the preliminary pipeline drawings provided to the program team in July 2025.



New Road Alignment

Reclamation continued work to obtain required environmental clearances for geotechnical field investigations. The critical element at this point appears to be SHPO clearance; at this point, the timeline for final approval remains uncertain. The road design team is assessing a phased program of exploration given that the remaining field season is shrinking rapidly.

Environmental

The agency comment period for the Partially Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report (PRDEIR) concluded on April 3, with comments received from CDFW and the Conservation Office. The team continues to develop responses to those 2 comments as well as to the 361 public comments received earlier.

The Program team continued to develop responses to the 1,130 comments received on the project Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). In the final week of July, revised drafts were transmitted to Reclamation by the program team. Accounting for a time extension that was granted recently, the deadline by which a Notice of Availability must be posted is now February 26, 2027.

Project Financing

The team is coordinating with Reclamation on the latest progress reporting and is working to gain the release of additional WIIN Act funds under the budget authorized by Reclamation.

Programmatic

- 1) Weekly client meetings
- 2) Weekly Reclamation meetings
- 3) Weekly internal team meetings
- 4) Bi-weekly internal meetings with the TGP dam design team, TYLin road design team, and clients

Overview of Exchange Contractors' Current Drainage Related Activities

(8/7/26)

Nitrate Control Program

On June 3rd the Regional Board unanimously adopted the Modesto Management Zone Order. On July 2nd three environmental justice organizations (Defensores del Valle Central para el Agua y el Aire Limpio, Clean Water Action, and Environmental Law Foundation) jointly filed a petition for review with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). The petition requests that the SWRCB direct the Central Valley Regional Board to make all of the following amendments:

1. Require that the Management Zone complete consolidation and other centralized drinking water solutions for domestic wells and public water systems within a reasonable timeframe, regardless of the availability of public funding;
2. Require the Management Zone to provide operations and maintenance support for the term of the exception;
3. Direct the Regional Board to authorize an in-lieu contribution to the Safe And Affordable Drinking Water Fund as an alternative to providing long-term centralized drinking water solutions and associated operations and maintenance costs;
4. Require enforceable metrics to ensure that discharges from irrigated agriculture and dairy cropland cease causing and contributing to exceedances of water quality objectives at the end of the relevant time schedule;
5. Accelerate quantifiable interim milestones for irrigated agriculture;
6. Require dairies to comply with interim milestones and final compliance metrics, including incorporation of an interim milestone to achieve whole farm nitrogen balance within 8 years;
7. Remove all provisions requiring the Management Zone to develop plans for de-designation of groundwater basins at 15 and 20 years.
8. Incorporate measurable metrics, including project timelines, for long-term managed aquifer restoration, including by requiring real-world restoration pilot projects;
9. Direct revisions to the Anti-degradation Analysis to comply with case law and State Board precedent.

By October 1st, The SWRCB must decide if it will grant review of the petition.

Management Zone Implementation Plan (MZIP)

The MZIP establishes the requirements for dischargers participating in Central Valley Nitrate Control Program and supports the Management Zone's request for regulatory exceptions while long-term nitrate improvements are implemented. The Valley Water Collaborative (VWC) is drafting the Delta Mendota Basin's MZIP for submittal in early January. Over the next few months, the VWC will hold several meetings to describe the draft Delta Mendota Basin's MZIP before it is finalized. This document will establish the regulatory requirements for all participants in the Management Zone.

Prepared by:
David W. Cory

PRIORITY 2 MANAGEMENT ZONE IMPLEMENTATION PLANS OVERVIEW

WHAT IS THE MANAGEMENT ZONE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN?

The Management Zone Implementation Plan (MZIP) is the required compliance document for participating dischargers in the Priority 2 Management Zones.

The MZIP serves as the Alternative Compliance Project required under the Central Valley Nitrate Control Program and supports the Management Zone's request for regulatory Exceptions while long-term nitrate improvements are implemented.

MZIP AT A GLANCE

REQUEST

On behalf of the participating dischargers, the Management Zone is requesting Exceptions to meet the nitrate water quality objective within as short a term as practicable (no longer than 35 years).

COMPLY

The MZIP serves as the Alternative Compliance Project to support the request for Exceptions.

IMPROVE

The expected long-term outcome is reduced nitrate impacts over time.

GOALS OF THE NITRATE CONTROL PROGRAM



Goal 1

Ensure a safe drinking water supply.



Goal 2

Reduce nitrate loading so ongoing discharges do not threaten to degrade high-quality waters or cause or contribute to exceedances of water quality objectives.



Goal 3

Implement long-term, managed restoration of impaired water bodies in the Central Valley Region.

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE MZIP?



UNDERSTANDING NITRATE CONDITIONS

The Management Zone evaluates nitrate conditions in groundwater to understand current and potential impacts to drinking water supplies.

- Map nitrate concentrations in groundwater
- Track changes in nitrate conditions over time
- Identify drinking water sources and areas at risk of nitrate impacts
- Assess potential impacts to public water systems and domestic well users



PROVIDING DRINKING WATER SOLUTIONS

Emergency & Interim Support

Continuation of the Early Action Plan, including:

- Outreach and community engagement
- Domestic well testing
- Bottled water delivery
- Online dashboard to show progress

Long-Term Solutions

The Management Zone will identify, facilitate, and implement long-term drinking water solutions for residents impacted by nitrate in their groundwater supply. Potential long-term approaches may include:

- Public water system consolidation
- Home treatment systems



LONG-TERM MANAGED AQUIFER RESTORATION

Implement a long-term managed aquifer restoration program to improve groundwater quality and reduce nitrate concentrations, where reasonable, feasible, and practicable. The Management Zone will work with Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) and local partners to advance groundwater quality improvement efforts and track progress over time.

Reducing Nitrate Loading to Groundwater

Implement a long-term Nitrate Reduction Program to reduce nitrate loading to groundwater and improve groundwater quality across the Management Zone.

How It Works

- Identifies practical actions to reduce nitrate discharges from key sectors, including agriculture, dairies, livestock operations, septic systems, and other dischargers
- Establishes milestones, implementation activities, and deadlines for each sector
- Implements actions through phased 10-year planning cycles
- Tracks progress and periodically evaluates program effectiveness
- Supports achievement of groundwater quality goals over a 35-year implementation horizon



MONITORING PROGRESS

The Management Zone Surveillance and Monitoring

Program (SAMP) coordinates groundwater monitoring and reporting efforts across existing valley-wide, regional, and State programs to avoid duplication, efficiently track groundwater conditions, and assess progress over time. Monitoring activities are integrated with programs such as the Groundwater Ambient Monitoring and Assessment (GAMA) Program, State Water Resources Control Board groundwater monitoring programs, Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP)-related monitoring networks, State Board Division of Drinking Water nitrate sampling, and other regional monitoring efforts.

WHAT PARTICIPATING DISCHARGERS NEED TO KNOW

YOUR ROLE IN THE MANAGEMENT ZONE

Participating dischargers are part of a coordinated effort to reduce nitrate impacts across multiple sectors including municipalities, food processors, wineries, agricultural operations, dairies, bovine facilities, poultry facilities, and septic systems. Every sector will establish the following to be included in the MZIP:



MILESTONES

Long-term nitrate reduction goals.



ACTIVITIES

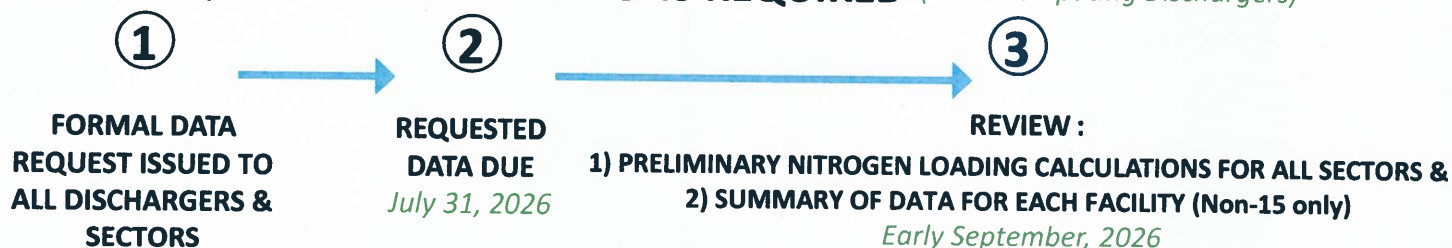
Required oversight actions and monitoring efforts.



DEADLINES

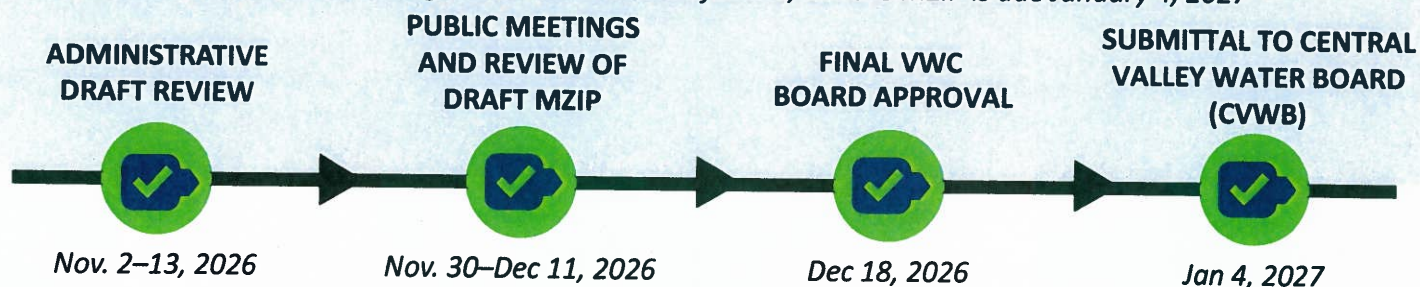
Schedules organized into phased implementation periods (10-year phases broken into two 5-year periods).

DATA REQUEST & REVIEW ACTIONS REQUIRED *(For Participating Dischargers)*



TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR MZIP DOCUMENT DEVELOPMENT*

* some dates are subject to change based on unknown factors, but the MZIP is due January 4, 2027



For more information about Valley Water Collaborative and Drinking Water Solutions for Residents, visit: www.valleywaterc.org

For more information about the Nitrate Control Program, visit: www.cvsalinity.org/nitrate-program/



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TO: Chris White, Executive Director, Exchange Contractors

FROM: Dominic DiMare, Partner, Arc Strategies

DATE: August 3, 2026

Subject: July 2026 Report

Critical Upcoming Legislative Deadlines

The Legislature has reconvened from summer recess on August 3, 2026, and is now in its final sprint. All bills must pass both houses by August 31. Fiscal committees have until August 14 to report bills to the floor, after which only floor sessions occur. August 21 is the last day to amend bills on the floor. The Governor has until September 30 to sign or veto bills. The following critical deadlines remain:

Deadline	Significance
May 1, 2026 ✓ PASSED	COMPLETED. Nonfiscal bills heard and passed by policy committees in house of origin.
May 9, 2026 ✓ PASSED	COMPLETED. Bills that failed to clear policy committee by this date are dead for the session.
May 14, 2026 ✓ PASSED	COMPLETED. Governor's May Revision released. Budget signed June 15, 2026.
May 15, 2026 ✓ PASSED	COMPLETED. Bills on suspense file that cleared Appropriations proceeded; those held are dead.
May 29, 2026 ✓ PASSED	COMPLETED. Bills that passed their house of origin are now in second-house proceedings.
August 31, 2026 ★ CRITICAL — 28 DAYS AWAY	Constitutional deadline for all bills to pass the Legislature. All tracked second-house bills must clear by this date or die. Legislature is in floor session only after August 17. Last day to amend on floor is August 21.
September 30, 2026	Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills. Bills not acted upon are pocket vetoed.

Bill Tracking Summary

Bill	Author	Subject	Current Location	Position
AB 35	Alvarez (D)	Prop 4 Bond — APA Exemption for Program Guidelines	S. Rules	Support
AB 1754	Pacheco (D)	State General Obligation Bonds — Reporting Requirements	A. APPR. Suspense	Support
AB 1772	Papan (D)	Fish & Wildlife — Invasive Mussels	S. APPR. (2nd House)	Watch
AB 1862	Boerner (D)	Health Care Districts — Transfer of Assets	A. L. Gov.	Watch
AB 1972	Patterson (R)	Water Right Fees — Small Pond Exemption	A. W.,P.&W.	Watch
AB 1987	Aguiar-Curry (D)	Dept.-Managed Lands — Wildlife Area Hunting Contracts	S. Rules	Watch
AB 2026	Aguiar-Curry (D)	Water Diversion for Groundwater Recharge — Permitting Reform	A. APPR. SUSPENSE — DEAD	Watch
AB 2032	Ransom (D)	Fish & Wildlife — Golden Mussels (Urgency)	A. APPR.	Watch
AB 2045	Connolly (D)	Habitat Restoration & Enhancement Act — Extension	A. APPR.	Watch
AB 2125	Bennett (D)	Groundwater Basin Adjudication — Notice Requirements	A. Third Reading	Watch
AB 2132	Macedo (R)	CEQA Exemption — Groundwater Recharge Projects (Subsidence)	A. W.,P.&W.	Support
AB 2216	Aguiar-Curry (D)	Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy — Valley Expansion	A. APPR.	Watch
AB 2218	Kalra (D)	Water Policy — California Native American Tribes	A. APPR.	Watch
AB 2260	Connolly (D)	Water Rights — Small Restoration Use Registration	A. APPR. Suspense	Watch
AB 2447	Bauer-Kahan (D)	Nitrogen Pollution Reduction Act — Agricultural Discharge Limits	A. APPR.	Oppose
AB 2568	Johnson (R)	Water District Directors — Compensation (10 to 15 days)	A. APPR.	Watch
AB 2619	Papan (D)	Water Resources — Data Centers Reporting	A. APPR.	Watch
AB 2630	Bennett (D)	Water Diversion Reporting — Emergency Regulations Extension	A. Nat. Res.	Oppose
AB 2728	Soria (D)	Open & Transparent Water Data Act — Management Efficacy	A. APPR.	Watch
AB 2739	Soria (D)	Water Affordability & System Stabilization Fund	A. APPR.	Watch
ACA 11	Macedo (R)	California Water Resiliency Act — 1% GF Transfer to Infrastructure	A. Print	Support
SB 872	McNerney (D)	Delta Levees & Canal Subsidence Fund — \$300M/yr GGFRF	A. APPR. (2nd House)	Support if amended

SB 910	Seyarto (R)	Municipal Water Districts — Indian Lands Water Service Extension	S. L. Gov.	Watch
SB 997	Caballero (D)	North Fork Kings GSA — Lien Authority & Civil Penalties	SIGNED 7/13/2026	Support
SB 1001	Archuleta (D)	PIV-I Credentialing — Critical Infrastructure Personnel Access	S. APPR.	Support
SB 1068	Alvarado-Gil (R)	Water Appropriations — Nonsubstantive Change	S. Rules	Watch
SB 1085	Durazo (D)	Water Supply Planning — Housing Development Projects	S. APPR.	Watch
SB 1108	Caballero (D)	Grassland Ecological Area Conservancy — Creation	S. APPR. Suspense	Watch

Bills of Priority Interest — Detailed Commentary

SUPPORT POSITIONS

AB 35 (Alvarez) — Prop 4 Bond — Administrative Procedure Act Exemption [Dead for Year]

Status: In Senate — Referred to Rules Committee (1/27/2026). Urgency statute. As of August 2026, bill remains in Senate Rules with no further committee action scheduled; still eligible to advance as urgency legislation after August 31.

- This bill would exempt guidelines and selection criteria for Proposition 4 (the \$10 billion Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024) from APA rulemaking requirements, allowing state agencies to adopt program guidelines more quickly.
- Commentary: Prop 4 passed November 2024 with strong voter support. Expediting implementation through APA relief is broadly supported by water agencies seeking prompt access to bond-funded programs. No significant opposition has surfaced publicly. This bill is an urgency statute and therefore not subject to the August 31 floor deadline.

AB 1754 (Pacheco) — State General Obligation Bonds — Transparency Requirements [Still Moving]

Status: Passed Assembly Appropriations suspense file (5/14/2026); passed Assembly floor 5/28/2026. Now in Senate, referred to Senate Appropriations. Senate Appropriations suspense hearing expected by August 14, 2026.

- Would require bond acts approved after January 1, 2027 to include outcome objectives and require lead agencies to report to the Legislature and post project information online.
- Commentary: This is a good-government transparency measure that has drawn no public opposition. It strengthens accountability for future bond expenditures, including water-related bonds. The bill cleared the Assembly Appropriations suspense file and the full Assembly and is now pending in the Senate. It must clear Senate Appropriations by August 14 to receive a floor vote before August 31.

AB 2132 (Macedo) — CEQA Exemption for Subsidence-Addressing Groundwater Recharge Projects [Dead for Year]

Status: Assembly Water, Parks & Wildlife Committee — advanced through committee; referred to Assembly Appropriations. Status as of August 2026 requires confirmation; the bill may have been held in suspense. Monitoring required.

- Would create a CEQA exemption for groundwater recharge projects that the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency determines will address subsidence — a significant permitting barrier for recharge projects in the San Joaquin Valley.
- Commentary: This bill is proceeding more slowly than others in its class, having been held under Assembly Rule 56 and awaiting re-referral. The groundwater recharge policy space is active in 2026 (see also AB 2026), and CEQA reform for recharge projects has broad stakeholder support among water and agricultural interests. No public opposition identified.

ACA 11 (Macedo) — California Water Resiliency Act — General Fund Transfer to Water Infrastructure [Dead for Year]

Status: Assembly print (3/24/2025 introduction). Constitutional amendment requiring 2/3 vote in each house and voter approval.

- This constitutional amendment would require the Treasurer to annually transfer 1% of all state General Fund revenues to a new Water Conveyance and Capacity Infrastructure Fund, to be used for grants for water infrastructure construction, repair, and design, with priority to area-of-origin water rights.
- Commentary: ACA 11 is an ambitious measure that has not yet moved through committee. As a constitutional amendment, it requires a 2/3 vote of the Legislature to go before voters. The area-of-origin water rights alignment makes this particularly relevant to Exchange Contractors' interests. No public opposition identified but fiscal constraints in the current state budget environment and the author's political alignment will limit momentum.

SB 997 (Caballero) — North Fork Kings GSA — Lien Authority and Civil Penalties [signed]

Status: SIGNED INTO LAW by Governor Newsom on July 13, 2026.

- Would authorize the North Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency to impose civil penalties on persons extracting groundwater in excess of authorized amounts and to record liens for unpaid fees or penalties.
- UPDATE: SB 997 has been enacted. Governor Newsom signed the bill on July 13, 2026, as part of a package of legislation. The North Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency now has explicit authority to impose civil penalties and record liens for unpaid fees — strengthening SGMA enforcement tools in the San Joaquin Valley. This is a significant win for the groundwater sustainability framework that Exchange Contractors depend upon.

SB 1001 (Archuleta) — PIV-I Credentialing for Critical Infrastructure Personnel [Still Moving]

Status: Passed Senate Appropriations; passed Senate floor; now in Assembly second-house proceedings. Must clear Assembly Appropriations by August 14, 2026.

- Would require the Office of Emergency Services to issue federal-standard Personal Identity Verification-Interoperable (PIV-I) credentials to local agencies, public utilities, and mutual water companies, beginning July 1, 2028, to facilitate personnel access to disaster zones.
- Commentary: SB 1001 cleared the Senate and is advancing in the Assembly. Critical water infrastructure operators have long sought standardized credentialing to access work sites during

and after disasters. No public opposition identified. Must clear Assembly Appropriations before the August 14 fiscal committee deadline.

OPPOSE POSITIONS

AB 2447 (Bauer-Kahan) — Nitrogen Pollution Reduction Act **[Dead for Year]**

Status: DEAD FOR 2026 SESSION — Held in Assembly Appropriations suspense file on May 15, 2026. Bill will not advance further this session.

- Would require the State Water Resources Control Board and regional boards to update the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program (ILRP) to establish enforceable limits on nitrogen discharges from commercial irrigated agricultural lands, targeting reductions by January 1, 2030, with regional boards required to adopt revised waste discharge orders by January 1, 2028.
- UPDATE: AB 2447 was held in the Assembly Appropriations suspense file on May 15, 2026, and is dead for this legislative session. The California Cotton Ginners and Growers Association and broad agricultural interests had opposed the measure. Environmental Voters (EnviroVoters) listed the bill as a failed Assembly priority, along with several other environmental measures. The outcome reflects the continued difficulty of legislating enforceable nitrogen discharge caps on irrigated agriculture. The State Water Board's Second Statewide Agricultural Expert Panel process continues as the primary regulatory pathway for addressing agricultural nitrogen discharges. Expect a reintroduction in the 2027-28 session.

AB 2630 (Bennett) — Emergency Regulations for Water Diversion Reporting — Extension to 2032 **[Dead for Year]**

Status: Hearing was canceled at request of author (4/16/2026). The bill did not advance and is presumed dead for the 2026 session — it failed to pass its house of origin by May 29, 2026.

- Would require all further regulations adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board for water diversion measurement and reporting to be adopted as emergency regulations (bypassing normal APA rulemaking) through January 1, 2032, and would exempt those regulations from CEQA.
- UPDATE: AB 2630 is dead for the 2026 session. The bill failed to advance after the author canceled its hearing in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee. This is a favorable outcome for Exchange Contractors given the Oppose position. The State Water Board continues implementation of updated water measurement regulations, with measuring device registration required by January 31, 2027. Standard APA rulemaking procedures will govern future diversion reporting regulations.

SUPPORT IF AMENDED POSITION

SB 872 (McNerney) — Delta Levees and Canal Subsidence Fund **[Still Moving]**

Status: Passed Senate Appropriations; passed Senate floor; now in Assembly second-house proceedings. Must clear Assembly Appropriations by August 14, 2026.

- Would establish the Delta Levees and Canal Subsidence Fund, continuously appropriating \$300 million annually from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) through 2046-47 — \$150 million to DWR for SWP canal subsidence repairs and \$150 million to the Delta Conservancy for levee improvements.
- UPDATE: SB 872 passed the full Senate unanimously (39-0) on May 19, 2026. The bill is now in the Assembly, where it passed the Assembly Water, Parks & Wildlife Committee on June 30, 2026. It is now referred to Assembly Appropriations and must clear the fiscal committee deadline of August 14. The broad coalition of support — including State Water Contractors, MWD, Restore the Delta, Sierra Club, and Defenders of Wildlife — has held. The bill remains a top priority for the final weeks of the session. If enacted, it would direct \$150M/year to SWP canal subsidence repairs and

\$150M/year to Delta Conservancy levee improvements through 2046-47. The Exchange Contractors' Support If Amended position remains relevant — the Assembly phase provides a final opportunity to seek amendments expanding conveyance efficiency benefits.

NOTABLE WATCH BILLS

The following Watch-position bills are of particular interest and warrant close monitoring as they advance:

AB 2026 (Aguiar-Curry) — Water Diversion for Groundwater Recharge — Permitting Reform [Watch]

Status: Passed Assembly unanimously (68-0) on May 27, 2026. In Senate — passed Senate Natural Resources & Water Committee (6/23); passed Senate Environmental Quality Committee (7/1); re-referred to Senate Appropriations with amendments (7/2/2026). Senate Appropriations hearing: August 3, 2026, Room 2200.

- This is one of the most significant water supply bills of the 2026 session. AB 2026 would substantially reform the permitting process for groundwater recharge, expanding floodflow diversion exemptions (including reservoir flood releases), creating new water availability analysis pathways, providing CEQA and LSAA exemptions for qualifying recharge diversions, and extending temporary urgency permits to five-year terms.
- UPDATE: AB 2026 has advanced significantly. After passing the full Assembly 68-0 on May 27, 2026, the bill moved through the Senate Natural Resources & Water Committee (passed 5-0, June 23) and the Senate Environmental Quality Committee (passed 5-0, July 1). The bill was amended and re-referred to Senate Appropriations on July 2. The Senate Appropriations hearing is scheduled for TODAY, August 3, 2026 (Room 2200) — making this the most time-sensitive bill on the tracked list. The amendments made in the Senate should be reviewed to assess whether the Delta conditions trigger concerns raised by SLDMWA staff have been addressed. If AB 2026 clears Appropriations today, it will need a Senate floor vote before August 31.
- Action: URGENT — AB 2026 is in Senate Appropriations TODAY (August 3). Review July 2 Senate amendments for any changes to Delta conditions triggers and OMR restriction language. Engage Senate Appropriations members if any outstanding concerns remain. The bill is broadly supported and likely to advance; the window for any remaining technical amendments is closing.

AB 2032 (Ransom) — Golden Mussel Response Act — Urgency Legislation [Watch]

Status: Assembly Appropriations — Re-referred 4/20/2026. Urgency bill.

- Golden mussels (*Limnoperna fortunei*) have been detected in the San Joaquin Delta. This urgency bill would exempt water supply system operators from restricted species permit requirements for maintenance activities if they have submitted a golden mussel control plan to DFW.
- Commentary: Assemblymember Ransom has publicly warned that California is running out of time to contain the spread, noting the local San Joaquin Delta impacts on water supplies and recreational uses. AB 2032 complements AB 1772 (also Watch), which separately strengthens the Department of Fish and Wildlife's plan review requirements for all invasive mussel species. As an urgency bill, AB 2032 can proceed after August 31 if needed. The golden mussel threat has direct operational implications for Exchange Contractors' water supply infrastructure.
- UPDATE/Action: AB 2032 is an urgency bill and can proceed after August 31 if needed. However, it is expected to be taken up during the August floor session. DWR and DFW have begun golden mussel monitoring and control operations in the Delta, including herbicide treatment programs. Engage DFW on control plan requirements to ensure operational workability for Exchange Contractors.

AB 2216 (Aguiar-Curry) — Delta Conservancy Expansion to Include the Valley [Watch]

Status: Assembly Appropriations — Re-referred 4/14/2026.

- Would rename the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy the 'Valley and Delta Conservancy' and expand its geographic jurisdiction to include the 'Valley' (San Joaquin Valley). This is a significant governance change that could affect how conservancy resources are allocated between Delta and Valley priorities.
- Action: Assess whether the expansion of conservancy jurisdiction complicates or benefits Exchange Contractors' interests.

SB 872 Companion — AB 2026 and Recharge Policy Package — Watch (Package monitoring) [undefined]

Staff notes that AB 2026, AB 2132, and AB 2630 together represent a significant 2026 water policy package focused on groundwater recharge. The Exchange Contractors currently 'propose to oppose AB 2630 (emergency rulemaking), propose to support AB 2132 (CEQA exemption), and watch AB 2026 (permitting reform).

Recent Outreach Regarding Groundwater Recharge Activities:

With the dedication of the Los Banos Creek and Orestimba Creek projects Arc Strategies distributed the press releases describing the projects to key members of the Legislature. We wanted to demonstrate the progress made toward increasing groundwater recharge.

Policy Developments Since April Report

Governor's Office — Key Actions and Releases

California Water Plan 2028 Launched (February 25, 2026). Governor Newsom formally launched the California Water Plan 2028, described as the most ambitious statewide water planning effort in California history. Mandated by SB 72 (Caballero, 2025), the plan is being developed by DWR with an advisory committee reflecting urban and agricultural water suppliers, tribal interests, and other stakeholders. The plan will establish long-term water supply targets aligned with SGMA and the 2022 Water Supply Strategy, with a stated statewide goal of 9 million acre-feet of new water supply by 2040. A public website has been launched at CaliforniaWaterPlan.com.

Delta Conveyance Project — Federal ESA Clearance (June 5, 2026). DWR received Biological Opinions from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Marine Fisheries Service for Delta Conveyance Project construction activities — completing the Endangered Species Act review process for construction. This is a major milestone. The Delta Stewardship Council in April largely upheld the project's certification of consistency, with only two technical issues reserved for future proceedings. The project is advancing toward construction permitting, with groundbreaking targeted for 2028. The Delta Counties Coalition has responded critically, urging a broader portfolio approach, but the Administration's commitment to the single-tunnel project remains firm.

Governor Signs SB 997 (July 13, 2026). As noted above, Governor Newsom signed SB 997 (Caballero) into law on July 13, 2026, authorizing the North Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency to impose civil penalties and liens for groundwater extraction violations. This strengthens SGMA enforcement in the San Joaquin Valley.

DWR — Key Releases and Actions

Bulletin 118 — Groundwater Update 2025 (March 12, 2026). DWR released the final California's Groundwater: Bulletin 118 — Update 2025, the state's most comprehensive groundwater conditions report covering 2020–2024. The report documents progress under SGMA, noting improvements in recharge efforts, drinking well protection, and tribal project funding. Future updates will be published every 10 years, with semi-annual updates in between. DWR also released the Spring 2026 Semi-Annual Groundwater Update in May 2026, covering Water Year 2025 conditions. The key message from DWR: near-term conditions are positive to stable, but long-term deficits persist in the San Joaquin Valley.

DWR San Joaquin Valley Vision (Released May 1, 2026; Comment Period Closed July 21, 2026). DWR released a new Vision document for strengthening water management and climate resilience in the San Joaquin Valley. The Vision acknowledges decades of groundwater overdraft and emphasizes streamlined recharge permitting, regulatory reform, a public recharge opportunity dashboard, and long-term investments in subsidence remediation and water storage and conveyance projects. The document recognizes that even optimistic water management solutions may need to be paired with land repurposing. The public comment period closed July 21, 2026.

DWR Subsidence Best Management Practices (Final: January 2026). DWR released the final Subsidence Best Management Practices (BMP) under SGMA in January 2026, following a public comment period on the July 2025 draft. This is the eighth SGMA BMP DWR has produced. The BMP centers on the concept of "critical head" — the groundwater level below which irreversible (inelastic) subsidence can occur — as the key management threshold. With more than six feet of subsidence having occurred since SGMA was enacted in 2015, this BMP is intended to reinvestigate local focus on subsidence management in GSPs.

Upcoming Critical Deadlines and Action Items (August 2026)

August 3, 2026 (TODAY): Legislature reconvenes from summer recess. Senate Appropriations hearing includes AB 2026 (Aguiar-Curry, groundwater recharge permitting reform) — the most significant water bill on the tracked list still pending. Confirm status of tracked bills in second-house Appropriations committees.

August 14, 2026: Last day for fiscal committees to meet and report bills to the floor. All tracked bills in Assembly or Senate Appropriations — including AB 1754, SB 872, SB 1001, AB 2026 — must clear by this date or die.

August 17–31, 2026: Floor session only. No committees may meet. This is the final window for all tracked bills to pass both houses. August 21 is the last day for floor amendments.

August 31, 2026: Constitutional deadline. All bills must pass both houses by midnight. Any bill not passed is dead for the two-year session (2025-26). Urgency bills (AB 35, AB 2032) may proceed after August 31 if needed.

September 30, 2026: Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills. Bills in possession of the Governor on or after September 1 that are not acted upon are pocket vetoed. Bills signed by this date with standard effective dates take effect January 1, 2027.

October 1, 2026: New State Water Board water diversion measurement regulations take effect. Measuring device registration required by January 31, 2027. Exchange Contractors should confirm compliance planning is underway.



TO: San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority

FROM: Invariant

DATE: 7/31/2026

RE: July 2026 Board Report

In General

Congress completed a busy legislative stretch before the House left Washington for August recess. The House passed the fiscal year (FY) 2027 National Defense Authorization Act, a continuing resolution that would extend government funding at its current levels through December 4, and a FY 2027 budget resolution establishing a framework for a potential third reconciliation package. The House also approved legislation restricting stock purchases by Members of Congress. The Senate was focused on nominations, sanctions on Russian and Iran, and a potential third reconciliation package.

Congress is amid the FY 2027 appropriations process. The House has seen full committees approve each of the 12 appropriations bills, with the Military Construction-Veterans Affairs bill, the Agriculture bill, and the National Security-State bill being the only three pieces of legislation to clear the full House. The Senate is far behind the House's schedule, with work on Appropriations stalled and the focus on a continuing resolution until after the midterm elections.

Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Funding

Invariant and the Exchange Contractors have submitted a community project funding (CPF) request to the Offices of Rep. Adam Gray (D-CA), Sen. Alex Padilla (D-CA), and Sen. Adam Schiff (D-CA), which would provide supplemental funding for Del Puerto Canyon Road. Invariant and SJRECWA have met with all three federal and local offices to discuss the formal request and provide the necessary supplemental information as required by Congress. The FY 2027 Transportation and Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Bill released by the House included \$250,000 for Del Puerto Canyon Road. Invariant updated Sens. Padilla and Schiff on the House bill and will continue to push for further funding in the Senate legislation. Invariant has also been in touch with Appropriations committee staff on funding for Del Puerto Canyon Road.

Invariant is also working with the Exchange Contractors to reach out to the House and Senate Energy and Water Appropriations Committee staff in advance of the Bureau of Reclamation recommending its WIIN Act funding be paid out at the 50 percent level.

Lighthouse Public Affairs
July 2026 Report to the Board of Directors
San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority

Overview

Lighthouse Public Affairs works with the San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority on communications strategy, media engagement, and expanding the messaging reach of the organization. This has focused on revamping the organization's public messaging, expanding the communications channels that we use, making inroads with reporters who cover related issues, and responding to media inquiries and current events to effectively tell our story.

Recent Deliverables

- Drafted Community Infrastructure Fund (CIF) 2026 application announcement email and press release.
- Created and launched 2026 CIF application portal and updated website language.
- Conducted interview prep for KMPH Fox 26 feature on Los Banos Creek Detention Dam.
- Maintained social media accounts on Facebook and Twitter (X).

Upcoming Work

- Announce 2026 Community Infrastructure Fund grantees once finalized.
- Produce Community Infrastructure overview pamphlet/flyer for general distribution highlighting the success of past grants.
- Produce timely statements and press releases on major events to promote the organization's point of view in media coverage.
- Continue to provide support on incoming media requests and public engagements.



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