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Consisting of 240,000 acres on the Westside of the San Joaquin Valley

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AGENDA
SAN JOAQUIN RIVER EXCHANGE CONTRACTORS WATER AUTHORITY

Friday, November 6, 2026

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on ***Friday, November 6, 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.

PHONE IN NUMBER: 1-888-297-9852
Passcode: 1906434#

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

The agenda for the meeting will be:

1. **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.

2. **Approval of Minutes:** Regular Meeting of October 7, 2026

3. **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.

4. **Board to approve October, 2026 Expenditures**

5. **Finance Committee Report**
   A) **Review Financial Report Memo for October, 2026** – Board action will be requested.
      i. October, 2026 General Budget Comparison
      ii. October, 2026 Water Transfer Budget Comparison
      iii. October, 2026 Water Resources Plan (General Membership) Budget Comparison

iv. October, 2026 Water Resources Plan (Participation Agreement) Budget Comparison
v. October, 2026 San Joaquin Valley Drainage Authority Budget Comparison
vi. Cash Activity Report

B) Proposed 2027 Draft Budget – Board action will be requested.

C) Finance Committee Minutes of September 30, 2026

6. **Water Report**

7. **Executive Director's Report**

8. **Director of Policy & Programs Report**

9. **Water Resources Plan**
   A) General Update
   B) Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Project (DPCR) Update

10. **Bay-Delta Water Quality and Regional Water Quality Control Board Report**
    A) Water Quality Issues Update - David Cory

11. **Legislative Report**
    A) State
    B) Federal

12. **Public Outreach**
    A) Lighthouse Public Affairs

13. **Attorney's Report**

14. **Four Entities' Manager's Reports**

15. **January & February Board Meetings** – Due to the holiday season and calendaring conflicts, the Board will be asked to approve changing the January 2027 Board meeting to ***Friday, January 8, 2027***, and the February 2027 Board meeting to ***Wednesday, February 3, 2027***. Board action will be requested.

16. **Informational**

17. **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)

UNAPPROVED

MINUTES
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SAN JOAQUIN RIVER EXCHANGE CONTRACTORS WATER AUTHORITY
HELD WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2026

The Board of Directors of the ***San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority (SJRECWA)*** met in Regular Session on Wednesday, October 7, 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
San Luis Canal Company (SLCC): Douglas Goodman, Alternate Director
Firebaugh Canal Water District (FCWD): Mike Stearns, Vice-Chair
Columbia Canal Company (CCC): Chris Cardella, Chair; Mike Gardner, General Manager (via Teleconference 9:22 a.m.)

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; and David Cory, Consultant

The following participated via Conference Call:

Rick Iger, Provost & Pritchard; Anne MacMillan and Landon Stropko, Invariant (via Teams 9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.); Dominic DiMare, Arc Strategies (via Teams 9:15 a.m.- 9:45a.m.); and Andy Lynch and Steve Hansen, Lighthouse Public Affairs (via Teams 9:15 a.m.- 9:45a.m.)

***CALL TO ORDER*:**

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

***REVIEW OF AGENDA*:**

The Executive Director explained that both our federal and state lobbyists, along with the public relations firm will be joining the meeting via Teams around 9:15 a.m. and asked to move up agenda items #12 and 13 at that time to allow them to provide their reports to the Board.

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES*:**

The unapproved minutes from the September 4, 2026 Regular Board meeting were presented. A motion was made by Vice-Chair Stearns and seconded by Director Fontana to approve the minutes as presented.

***PUBLIC PARTICIPATION*:**

Introductions were provided by those participating in person and via teleconference.

***BOARD TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 2026 EXPENDITURES AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT*:**

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

Following her report, a motion was made by Director Fontana and seconded by Alternate Director Goodman to approve the Expenditure List and Financial Report as presented.

DRAFT 2027 PROPOSED BUDGET:

Executive Director White presented the Draft 2027 Proposed Budget and provided highlights of the expenses for the General, Water Transfer, Water Resources (General) Budget, Water Resource (Participation) Agreement, and the San Joaquin Valley Drainage Authority, specifically noting decreases and increases from the 2026 budget. Mr. White added that the San Joaquin Valley Drainage Authority Budget is an estimate reflecting a ten percent increase, however, their year begins March 1, 2027, and we will not have a final budget number February, 2027.

Following his review, the Executive Director indicated that if there are no changes proposed by the Board, he recommends presenting the draft budgets to each of the member entity boards for their approval and bringing it back in November for Board ratification.

Chair Cardella referred to the Finance Committee Minutes of August 28, 2026 included in the meeting packet for informational purposes.

***WATER REPORT*:**

The Water Resources Specialist stated the water year 2026 ended on September 30, and the new water year began October 1, which includes the accounting for the accumulated natural inflows into Shasta. October water tracking was significantly higher with daily use also running higher than the same period in 2024.

The San Joaquin River Restoration Program (SJRRP) releases are currently 390 cubic feet per second (cfs) with 75 cfs going past Sack Dam. Shasta Reservoir storage is currently at 2,426,033 Acer Feet (AF), San Luis Reservoir at 1,481,259 AF, and Millerton Reservoir at 224,816 AF.

In the Delta, operations at the Jones Pumping Plant for September were better than expected and they have been pumping at five units since October 1st. He then provided data on the upcoming forecasted weather.

LEGISATIVE AND PUBLIC OUTREACH REPORTS:

Anne MacMillan and Landon Stropko of Invariant informed the Board that Congress is currently out of session, and many members are focused on campaigning for the upcoming mid-term elections. an Exchange Contractor trip to Washington D.C. is being planned for the week of December 7th. Ms. MacMillan added that the funding request for the Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir (DPCR) Project was included in the House bill may be pushed out until December 12th or even February 2027, depending on election results. She also stated that the second priority being the WIIN Act reauthorization as it relates to water storage.

Dominic DiMare of Arc Strategies informed the Board that the legislative session ended on August 31st with the Governor completing bill decisions by September 30th. He then stated that the final outcome for the list of bills the Exchange Contractors were tracking was included in his Board report for their information.

Andy Lynch and Steve Hansen of the Lighthouse Public Affairs reported about the activities they have assisted with on behalf of the Exchange Contractors, which included social and media coverage for both the Los Banos Creek Project and Orestimba Creek Project ribbon cutting events earlier this year. Also, focusing on maintaining the website and social media updates with all the accomplishments and activities, including the launching of the 2026 Community Infrastructure Funding application information. Once those awards were announced, a write-up for the local newspapers was drafted for publication. We are currently finalizing the final Newsletter for this year which will be released within the next month.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Executive Director White provided a follow-up recap regarding the California Ag Leadership tour that was held in August, sharing a book he received from one of the class fellows.

Executive Director White informed construction continues at Sack Dam with communications held with the SJRRP regarding monitoring for the potential El Niño conditions being predicted and recommending coordinating a contingency plan to be in place should the forecast become reality.

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) held a two-day Water Forecasting Summit on October 1st and 2nd. The Exchange Contractors presented alongside several other agencies and organizations, including, Reclamation, the California Department of Water Resources (DWR),

San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (SLDMWA), Fraint Water Authority and Westlands Water District. The purpose of the summit was to identify and discuss tools and approaches that could improve water-supply forecasting.

Regarding the Los Banos Creek project, the Executive Director White stated San Luis Water District has signed the Activity Agreement between the project partners and SLDMWA and are moving forward to issue a request for proposals to bring on a project manager.

Mr. White reported that the DPCR project continues to work on WIIN Act funding, and the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has now been submitted to Washington, D.C. for review by the Department of the Interior.

Discussions continue with the City of Los Banos and its consultant on water quality and supply issues and will keep the Board apprised as work progresses.

DIRECTOR OF POLICY & PROGRAMS REPORT:

Steve Chedester provided an outline of his report, which included updates on the SJRRP, explaining a Request for Information (RFI) was issued, and eight submittals were received from contractors and consultants interested in assisting with the design and construction of the project. A Request for Proposals (RFP) may be issued early next year.

Mr. Chedester reported on Water Blueprint activities noting a strategic planning session was held in September but the group was unable to complete the agenda and planned to schedule a second planning session before the end of the month.

WATER RESOURCES PLAN (WRP) – UPDATE:

The Director of Policy & Programs reported that the Orestimba Creek project is continuing to move forward and is expected to be operational either this month or next month, pending PG&E.

Regarding the Los Banos Creek Detention Dam, rehabilitation work on San Luis Water District's Lift Station 8, including the pumps, motors, and valves, is expected to be completed by the end of the year. They continue to work on trying to determine an effective filtration system for the Golden Mussel issue. Several filtration systems have been tested, with results varying significantly. Reclamation's Technical Service Center is assisting with the testing.

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

Consultant David Cory reviewed his report, stating that the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) recently announced that it will take up review of the Modesto Management Zone Implementation Plan petition filed by three environmental justice organizations which could establish precedents for all Priority 1 and Priority 2 management zones.

Mr. Cory also informed the Board that on September 15, the SWRCB adopted a new dairy order directing the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board to prepare a new Waste Discharge Requirements General Order for dairies within five years, while also taking shorter-term actions. The order introduces significant changes.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Attorney Andrew McClure provided an update on the Johnson vs. PG&E case reporting it has been dismissed with prejudice. The dismissal is expected to bring the case to an end.

Mr. McClure outlined the current activities regarding the Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir CEQA case explaining the 30-day statute of limitations has expired without any new legal challenges. The remaining step is to return to court to demonstrate compliance with the court's requirements, and obtain the judge's approval, with a hearing anticipated in November.

Finally, the SWRCB is expected to release a draft of its proposed Bay-Delta Plan around mid-October, followed by two days of hearings on October 28th and 29th.

FOUR ENTITIES' MANAGER REPORTS:

Firebaugh Canal Water District: Vice-Chair Stearns reported a high volume of wire theft. The third lift canal lining project is out for bid, and preparations for winter maintenance are underway.

San Luis Canal Company: Alternate Director Goodman reported operations are proceeding as usual.

Central California Irrigation District: Manager Martin reported that two contractor pre-bid meetings were scheduled for internal construction projects. Noted that the current heat wave has created challenging conditions for water operations, but cooler weather is expected to provide some relief.

Columbia Canal Company: Chairman Cardella reported September water usage was approximately 30% above normal. Routine maintenance is continuing, with one canal is scheduled to shut down approximately eight to nine days earlier than usual to allow the work to be completed before the rainy season.,

INFORMATIONAL:

Executive Director White recapped the upcoming events as follows: ACWA Fall Conference from December 1 – 3, 2026, Washington, D.C. fly-in December 7 - 10, 2026, and the Water Users Conference scheduled for January 26 – 29, 2027 in Reno.

Chair Cardella adjourned the meeting to a recess at 10:20 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

After a brief recess, the meeting was reconvened to Closed Session at 10:27 a.m.

The Chair returned the meeting to Open Session at 10:50 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 10:50 a.m.

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CHRIS CARDELLA, CHAIR

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

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CHRIS WHITE, SECRETARY

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ERIC FONANA, DIRECTOR

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DOUGLAS GOODMAN, ALTERNATE DIRECTOR

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MIKE STEARNS, VICE-CHAIR

10/28/26

SAN JOAQUIN RIVER EXCHANGE CONTRACTORS
EXPENDITURE LIST
October 2026

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
Oct 26				
10/09/2026	ACH DEB	ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	VISA 8/19/26-9/17/26 (640-02,600,625,515-02,630-03,63...	-13,336.75
10/09/2026	ACH DEB	UNITED HEALTHCARE	HEALTH INS. 10'26 (575-05 G/W)	-8,941.58
10/09/2026	20627	HEALTH EQUITY, INC.	HSA-ADMIN. FEE & EE DED 9'26 (575-05 G/W)	-117.81
10/09/2026	EFTPS	EFTPS (941 TAXES)	FED PAYROLL TAX SEMI-WKLY DEP. (215-04,16,17 G...	-5,173.05
10/09/2026	20628	VOYA LIFE AND ANNUITY COMPANY	DEFERRED COMP 9'26 (215-01 G/W)	-4,154.60
10/09/2026	ACH DEB	EDD ONLINE SERVICE (EDD TAXES)	STATE PAYROLL TAXES 9'26 (215-08, 10 G/W)	-4,935.95
10/09/2026	ACH DEB	LINCOLN FINANCIAL GROUP	RETIREMENT 9'26 (215-09 G/W)	-10,981.61
10/09/2026	20629	ANTHEM SMALL GROUP SERVICES	INS. - VISION 11'26 (575-06 G/W)	-88.26
10/09/2026	20630	ARC STRATEGIES LLC	LOBBYIST 10'26 (550-05 C)	-7,500.00
10/09/2026	20631	CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT	SANTA CLARA VWD TRANSFER ; TRIANGLE T WD T...	-206,050.00
10/09/2026	20632	CITY OF LOS BANOS	WATER/SEWER 8/21/26-9/20/26 (645-02 G)	-93.14
10/09/2026	20633	COLUMBIA CANAL COMPANY	SANTA CLARA VWD TRANSFER - AUGUST '26 (660 G)	-18,200.00
10/09/2026	20634	COOL WORLD ENTERPRISES INC.	MO. SERVER & DESKTOP MONITORING 10'26 (570-0...	-515.50
10/09/2026	20635	DEL PUERTO WTR DISTRICT	WRP-DPCR- INV 1238 (550-22 C, 585-18 L)	-15,264.25
10/09/2026	20636	FIREBAUGH CANAL WATER DISTRICT	SANTA CLARA VWD TRANSFER; TRIANGLE T WD T...	-33,800.00
10/09/2026	20637	INVARIANT	LOBBYIST 10'26 (550-05 C)	-23,152.50
10/09/2026	20638	LIGHTHOUSE PUBLIC AFFAIRS LLC	PUBLIC AFFAIRS 9'26 (550-16 C)	-15,000.00
10/09/2026	20639	MICHAEL A. JERZYKOWSKI CONSULTING & C...	NEW WQ SCREENS & REPORTS (602-03 W)	-3,500.00
10/09/2026	20640	OFFICE SUPPLY EXPRESS	OFFICE SUPPLIES 9'26 (600 G)	-109.04
10/09/2026	20641	PRIMO BRANDS	OFFICE SUPPLIES 9'26 (600 G)	-41.97
10/09/2026	20642	SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DRAINAGE AUTHORITY	SJVDA FY '26-'27 - 2ND INST. (632-01 C)	-774,745.50
10/09/2026	20643	SAN LUIS CANAL COMPANY	SANTA CLARA VWD TRANSFER - AUGUST '26 (660 G)	-79,300.00
10/09/2026	20644	WATER BLUEPRINT FOR THE SJ VALLEY	2026 CONTRIBUTION (550-22 C)	-2,500.00
10/09/2026	20645	WESTSIDE CONNECT	LETTERHEAD - OFC. SUPPLIES 9'26 (600 G)	-310.68
10/09/2026	20646	WINDECKER, INC.	FUEL 9'26 (515-01 G/W)	-479.75
10/09/2026	20647	XEROX BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	COPIER MAINTENANCE 8/30/26-9/29/26 (CONT. BAS...	-430.58
10/09/2026	20648	BROAD DATA CONFERENCING	TELECONFERENCE 9'26 (635-03 G/W)	-104.75
10/09/2026	DIRECT DEP	PAYROLL	9/20/26-10/3/26	-23,082.40
10/23/2026	EFTPS	EFTPS (941 TAXES)	FED PAYROLL TAX SEMI-WKLY DEP. (215-04,16,17, 1...	-5,169.25
10/23/2026	DIRECT DEP	PAYROLL	10/4/26-10/17/26	-23,021.32
10/23/2026	20649	ACWA JPIA	GENERAL LIABILITY - 10/26-10/27 (575-02 G/W; 120 G...	-59,706.80
10/23/2026	20650	CLARK PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL 10'26 (535 G)	-67.00
10/23/2026	20651	DANIEL B. STEINER	CONSULTANT 9'26 (550-23, 550-22 C)	-10,991.50
10/23/2026	20652	DAVID CORY	CONSULTANT 9'26 (550-03 C)	-430.00
10/23/2026	20653	DUANE MORRIS LLP	LEGAL FEES 8'26 (585-13 L)	-258.00
10/23/2026	20654	GERBI ENTERPRISES	OFC. RENT 11'26 (630-01 G)	-2,121.00
10/23/2026	20655	JOE DEL BOSQUE	TOUR SUPPLIES (625 G)	-500.00
10/23/2026	20656	LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.	LIFE INSURANCE 11'26 (575-07 G/W)	-192.91
10/23/2026	20657	MARIA R. VENEGAS	OFC. MAINTANCE 10'26 (535 G)	-600.00
10/23/2026	20658	MID VALLEY DISPOSAL	TRASH SERVICE 9'26 (645-02 G)	-41.73
10/23/2026	20659	MINASIAN LAW, LLP	LEGAL 9'26 (585-01,585-02,585-12,585-15 L)	-9,935.83
10/23/2026	20660	PG&E	ELECTRIC 9/3/26-10/4/26 (645-01 G)	-459.12
10/23/2026	20661	SGS NORTH AMERICA INC	WATER SAMPLE INVOICE #53102358 9'26 (602-05 W)	-495.00
10/23/2026	20662	SLWD	LB CREEK PH 2 PRO-RATE 33.33% (550-22 C)	-103,755.60
10/23/2026	20663	UNITED CONCORDIA INSURANCE CO.	DENTAL 11'26 (575-01 G/W)	-467.70
10/23/2026	20664	XEROX FINANCIAL SERVICES	COPIER LEASE 9/30/26-10/30/26 (570-01 G)	-350.48
10/23/2026	20665	CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT	SLDMWA AG WATER TRANSFER - AUGUST '26 (66...	-5,530,560.71
10/23/2026	20666	COLUMBIA CANAL COMPANY	SLDMWA AG WATER TRANSFER - AUGUST '26 (66...	-623,398.81
10/23/2026	20667	SAN LUIS CANAL COMPANY	SLDMWA AG WATER TRANSFER - AUGUST '26 (66...	-3,687,040.48
Oct 26				-11,311,472.91

Chris Cardella _____

MEMO

To: Board of Directors

From: Marisol Bonilla, Administrative Assistant

Date: November 2, 2026

Subject: November 6, 2026 Board of Director's Meeting Report –October 2026 Finance Update

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2026 Budget Comparisons:

General Budget:
Actual Revenue to date is 89% of Budget ($1,792,017)
Actual Expenses to date is 82% of Budget ($1,655,836)
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 93% of Budget ($85,960)
Actual Expenses to date is 87% of Budget ($80,820)
Baseline measurement to complete the year's expenses is 101% (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 95% of Budget ($16,175)
Actual Expenses to date is 16% of Budget ($14,673)
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 100% of Budget ($657,701)
Actual Expenses to date is 89% of Budget ($1,921,752)
Baseline measurement to complete the year's expenses is 101% (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 100% of Budget
Actual Expenses to date is 100% of Budget
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.

Cash Activity Report: (Period Ending October 31, 2026)
Total Cash balance for all accounts on **September 30, 2026** was **$3,519,351.09**. Breakdown of accounts:

WestAmerica Checking: ($3,072,043.73)
LAIF: $968,215.47
Mechanic's Bank Money Market: $703,465.56
Mechanic's Bank Money Market (Community Fund): $1,772,589.47
WestAmerica Money Market: $3,118,968.56
WestAmerica Money Market (MPG – restricted funds): $27,772.55
WestAmerica Money Market (MM Society - restricted funds): $283.21
Petty Cash: $100.00

Total Receivables in October 2026 was $12,727,591.05

Total Interest received in October 2026 was $27,889.21

Total Expenditures in October 2026 was $11,311,472.91
Total Expenditures (Community Fund MM Acct) in October 2026 was $67,500.00

Transfers made through the month of October 2026 were:
From Money Market to Checking: $3,058,100.00
From Checking to Money Market: $10,290,050.00

Total Cash balance for all accounts on **October 31, 2026** was **$4,895,858.44**. Breakdown of accounts are:

WestAmerica Checking: ($8,887,875.59)
LAIF: $977,881.48
Mechanic's Bank Money Market: $705,518.14
Mechanic's Bank Money Market (Community Fund): $1,709,555.41
WestAmerica Money Market: $10,362,566.63
WestAmerica Money Market (MPG – restricted funds): $27,828.36
WestAmerica Money Market (MM Society – restricted funds): $284.01
Petty Cash: $100.00

Outstanding Accounts Receivables as of **October 31, 2026** was **$7,533,682.10.**

San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority

2026 General Budget Comparison

BUDGET SUMMARY

PERIOD ENDING: 10/31/26	2026 Budget	Actual YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget	Percentage of Budget as of 10/31/26
REVENUES FOR:					
GENERAL	960,905	780,004	46,796	86%	81%
WATERMASTER	207,939	194,943	12,996	100%	94%
BAY DELTA	30,658	24,886	1,493	86%	81%
WATER OPERATIONS	99,390	80,679	4,840	86%	81%
PUMPING	5,934	4,817	289	86%	81%
COMMUNICATIONS	180,188	146,266	8,775	86%	81%
GENERAL CONSULTANTS	356,025	288,999	17,338	86%	81%
SJ RIVER SETTLEMENT	98,896	80,278	4,816	86%	81%
GENERAL LEGAL	59,338	48,167	2,890	86%	81%
MISC. - INTEREST	0	122,979	99,612		
MISC. - MPG AGREEMENT	20,000	20,000	0	100%	100%
TOTAL REVENUE	2,019,273	1,792,017	199,846	99%	89%
EXPENSES FOR:					
GENERAL	971,634	898,037	155,342	108%	92%
WATERMASTER	207,939	180,345	29,598	101%	87%
BAY DELTA	31,000	18,101	6,929	81%	58%
WATER OPERATIONS	100,500	62,834	27,500	90%	63%
PUMPING	6,000	4,123	0	69%	69%
COMMUNICATIONS	182,200	136,743	45,458	100%	75%
GENERAL CONSULTANTS	360,000	307,284	64,306	103%	85%
SJ RIVER SETTLEMENT	100,000	14,309	7,742	22%	14%
GENERAL LEGAL	60,000	34,061	12,405	77%	57%
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,019,273	1,655,836	349,279	99%	82%
BALANCE	0	136,181			

San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority

2026 General Budget Comparison

BUDGET DETAILED

REVENUES FOR:	2026 Budget	Actual Revenues YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2025 Budget
GENERAL	960,905	780,004	46,796	86%
WATERMASTER	207,939	194,943	12,996	100%
BAY DELTA	30,658	24,886	1,493	86%
WATER OPERATIONS	99,390	80,679	4,840	86%
PUMPING	5,934	4,817	289	86%
COMMUNICATIONS	180,188	146,266	8,775	86%
GENERAL CONSULTANTS	356,025	288,999	17,338	86%
SJ RIVER SETTLEMENT	98,896	80,278	4,816	86%
GENERAL LEGAL	59,338	48,167	2,890	86%
MISC. - INTEREST		122,979	99,612	
MISC. - MPG AGREEMENT	20,000	20,000	0	100%
TOTAL REVENUE	2,019,273	1,792,017	199,846	99%

BUDGET REVENUE CONTRIBUTIONS BY ENTITY YTD AS OF: 10/31/26

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	$524,026.16	$58,041.40	$83,672.21	$114,264.66	$780,004.43
WATERMASTER	$207,939.28	$51,984.82	$51,984.82	$51,984.82	$38,988.62	$194,943.08
BAY DELTA	$30,657.71	$16,719.07	$1,851.81	$2,669.56	$3,645.62	$24,886.06
WATER OPERATIONS	$99,390.33	$54,202.15	$6,003.46	$8,654.56	$11,818.86	$80,679.03
PUMPING	$5,933.75	$3,235.95	$358.42	$516.69	$705.60	$4,816.66
COMMUNICATIONS	$180,188.21	$98,264.98	$10,883.88	$15,690.15	$21,426.81	$146,265.82
GEN. CONSULTANTS	$356,025.03	$194,156.95	$21,504.92	$31,001.39	$42,336.20	$288,999.46
SJR SETTLEMENT	$98,895.84	$53,932.48	$5,973.59	$8,611.50	$11,760.05	$80,277.62
GENERAL LEGAL	$59,337.50	$32,359.48	$3,584.15	$5,166.90	$7,056.03	$48,166.56
TOTAL REVENUE	$1,999,272.89	$1,028,882.04	$160,186.45	$207,967.78	$252,002.45	$1,649,038.72

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 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
AUDIT	11,000	10,500	500	100%
AUTO FUEL	5,200	3,016	1,000	77%
AUTO MAINT & REPAIR	2,000	1,633	367	100%
AUTO MILES & MISC	1,000	1,082	350	143%
BENEFITS, SALARIES & TAXES				
SALARIES	565,700	536,624	91,001	111%
PENSION -1 (10%)	56,570	53,662	9,100	111%
PENSION -2 (6.55%)	37,053	35,149	5,961	111%
PAYROLL TAX (ETT,FUTA,SUI,MED)	8,089	9,046	584	119%
BUILDING MAINT	8,300	7,285	1,015	100%
CAPITAL EXPENSE	10,000	2,850	2,500	54%
CONFERENCES	6,500	2,334	0	36%
DUES & SUBSCRIPT				
NEWS & PERIODIC	400	52	50	26%
ACWA	4,500	4,285	0	95%
BOOKS, ETC.	420	416	0	99%
OTHER ORG'S	2,100	2,050	50	100%
EQ MAINT & RENT				
MNT CONTRACT (COPIER)	11,000	5,106	2,000	65%
COMPUTER MAINTENANCE	5,000	5,968	676	133%
INSURANCE				
GEN LIAB 10/1/26	20,141	42,838	0	213%
PROPERTY 4/1/26	1,008	1,166	0	116%
WORK COMP QTRLY	3,490	3,094	1,012	118%
HEALTH & VISION 12/1/26 & 4/1/26	66,238	63,572	2,666	100%
DENTAL 12/1/26	2,100	2,328	466	133%
LIFE 4/1/26	1,850	1,079	249	72%

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2026 General Budget Comparison

GENERAL EXPENSES CON'T.	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
OFFICE SUPPLIES	7,500	8,139	583	116%
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	900	76%
PRINT & REPRO	6,500	2,792	2,800	86%
PUB RELATIONS	55,000	43,062	11,938	100%
RENT (OFFICE/STORAGE UNIT)	27,500	22,992	4,508	100%
TELEPHONE				
OFFICE	3,500	2,991	983	114%
CELLULAR	3,400	2,997	986	117%
TRAVEL				
AIR FARE	7,000	2,371	1,100	50%
LODGE\MEALS	20,000	10,168	9,832	100%
UTILITIES	6,000	5,236	764	100%
MISCELLANEOUS	100	0	0	0%
GENERAL SUBTOTAL	971,634	898,037	155,342	108%

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WATERMASTER - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
AUTO FUEL	3,000	2,131	869	100%
AUTO MAINT & REPAIR	1,500	278	350	42%
AUTO MILES & MISC	120	66	54	100%
BENEFITS,SALARIES & TAXES				
SALARY	118,313	101,876	16,437	100%
RETIREMENT				
PENSION -1 (10%)	11,831	10,188	1,644	100%
PENSION -2 (6.55%)	7,749	6,673	1,077	100%
PAYROLL TAX (ETT,FUTA,SUI,MED)	2,148	1,811	336	100%
CAPITAL EXPENSE	1,000	0	1,000	100%
CONFERENCES	550	445	105	100%
DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS				
DWR SNOW SURVEY REPORT	1,500	0	0	0%
INSURANCE				
GEN LIAB 10/1/26	6,714	14,279	0	213%
PROPERTY 4/1/26	350	389	0	111%
WORK COMP QTRLY	5,356	3,971	1,385	100%
HEALTH & VISION 12/1/26 & 4/1/26	28,108	26,327	1,781	100%
DENTAL 12/1/26	1,100	1,029	111	104%
LIFE 4/1/26	650	516	105	96%
OUTSIDE SERVICES				
WATER QUALITY LAB FEES	6,200	4,640	500	83%
OTHER OUTSIDE SERVICES	6,500	3,539	2,961	100%
TELEPHONE				
OFFICE	1,800	997	338	74%
CELLULAR	900	866	297	129%
TRAVEL				
LODGE \ MEALS	2,500	324	250	23%
MISCELLANEOUS	50	0	0	0%
WATERMASTER SUBTOTAL	207,939	180,345	29,598	101%

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BAY DELTA ISSUES - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
CONSULTANTS				
COA/State Board Issues (Steiner)	5,000	0	0	0%
Special Projects (Cory)	6,000	3,530	1,500	84%
LEGAL	20,000	14,571	5,429	100%
BAY DELTA SUBTOTAL	31,000	18,101	6,929	81%

WATER OPERATIONS - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
CONSULTANTS	90,000	62,500	27,500	100%
LEGAL	10,500	334	0	3%
	100,500	62,834	27,500	90%

PUMPING ISSUES - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
MENDOTA POOL AGREEMENT				
Consultant	3,500	4,123	0	118%
Legal	2,500	0	0	0%
PUMPING SUBTOTAL	6,000	4,123	0	69%

COMMUNICATIONS - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
CONSULTANTS				
Website Update/Maintenance	2,200	1,743	458	100%
Public Relations	180,000	135,000	45,000	100%
COMMUNICATIONS SUBTOTAL	182,200	136,743	45,458	100%

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GENERAL CONSULTANTS - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
LOBBYIST				
Federal	270,000	232,284	49,306	104%
State	90,000	75,000	15,000	100%
GENERAL CONSULTANTS SUBTOTAL	360,000	307,284	64,306	103%

SJ RIVER SETTLEMENT - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
CONSULTANT	25,000	0	0	0%
LEGAL	75,000	14,309	7,742	29%
SJ RIVER SETTLEMENT SUBTOTAL	100,000	14,309	7,742	22%

GENERAL LEGAL - EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
GENERAL	60,000	34,061	12,405	77%
GENERAL LEGAL SUBTOTAL	60,000	34,061	12,405	77%

TOTAL EXPENSES	2,019,273	1,655,836	349,279	99%

Project Breakdown

10/31/2026

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	10/26	DUANE MORRIS LLP	$ 2,166,230		$ 2,166,230
8/05	6/19	SCHRAMM, WMS & ASSOC.	$ 278,526		$ 278,526
8/09	1/26	MINASIAN LAW FIRM	$ 138,046		$ 138,046
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			**$ 2,913,015**		**$ 2,913,015**

DRAINAGE ISSUES			
Mo./Yr. of Inception	Mo./Yr. of Last Payment	Name	Expense
1/02	5/16	MINANSIAN LAW FIRM	$ 847,974
1/02	10/26	DAVID CORY	$ 719,416
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			**$ 1,756,671**

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 (BDCP 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**

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2026 Water Transfer Budget Comparison

BUDGET SUMMARY

PERIOD ENDING: 10/31/26	2026 Budget	Actual YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget	Percentage of Budget as of 10/31/26
REVENUES FOR:					
ADMINSTRATION	46,425	43,178	3,247	100%	93%
CONSULTANTS	6,000	5,580	420	100%	93%
LEGAL	40,000	37,202	2,798	100%	93%
VOLUNTARY SETTLEMENT AGR. (VSA)	840,000	0	0	0%	0%
TOTAL REVENUE	932,425	85,960	6,465	100%	93%
EXPENSES FOR:					
ADMINISTRATION	46,425	75,969	9,217	183%	164%
CONSULTANTS	6,000	0	0	0%	0%
LEGAL	40,000	4,851	3,000	20%	12%
VOLUNTARY SETTLEMENT AGR. (VSA)	840,000	0	0	0%	0%
TOTAL EXPENSES	932,425	80,820	12,217	101%	87%
BALANCE (Excludes VSA Revenue & Expenses)	0	5,140			

BUDGET DETAILED

REVENUES FOR:	2026 Budget	Actual Revenues YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
ADMINISTRATION	46,425	43,178	3,247	100%
CONSULTANTS	6,000	5,580	420	100%
LEGAL	40,000	37,202	2,798	100%
VOLUNTARY SETTLEMENT AGR. (VSA)	840,000	0	0	0%
TOTAL REVENUE	932,425	85,960	6,465	100%

BUDGET REVENUE CONTRIBUTIONS BY ENTITY YTD AS OF: 10/31/26

REVENUES FOR:	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
ADMINISTRATION	$46,425.32	$24,373.29	$3,259.06	$5,803.17	$9,742.35	$43,177.87
CONSULTANTS	$6,000.00	$3,150.00	$421.20	$750.00	$1,259.10	$5,580.30
LEGAL	$40,000.00	$21,000.00	$2,808.00	$5,000.00	$8,394.00	$37,202.00
TOTAL REVENUE	$92,425.32	$48,523.29	$6,488.26	$11,553.17	$19,395.45	$85,960.17
		63.38%	7.02%	10.12%	19.48%	100.00%
VSA	$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 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
BENEFITS				
SALARIES	35,869	51,684	7,748	166%
PENSION - 1 (10%)	3,587	5,168	775	166%
PENSION - 2 (6.55%)	2,349	3,385	508	166%
PAYROLL TAX (ETT, FUTA, SUI, MED)	1,620	731	187	57%
APPLICATION FEES	3,000	15,000	0	500%
ADMINISTRATION SUBTOTAL	46,425	75,969	9,217	183%

CONSULTANT EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
CONSULTANTS				
DAN STEINER	6,000	0	0	0%
VOLUNTARY SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT	840,000	0	0	0%
CONSULTANTS SUBTOTAL	846,000	0	0	0%

LEGAL EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
LEGAL	40,000	4,851	3,000	20%
LEGAL SUBTOTAL	40,000	4,851	3,000	20%

TOTAL EXPENSES*	92,425	80,820	12,217	101%

Project Breakdown **10/31/2026**

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	10/26	MINASIAN LAW FIRM	$ 2,041,186
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			$ 3,542,220

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WRP - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

2026 Water Resources Plan Budget Comparison

BUDGET SUMMARY

PERIOD ENDING: 10/31/26	2026 Budget	Actual YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget	Percentage of Budget as of 10/31/26
REVENUES FOR:					
ADMINISTRATION	14,503	13,797	706	100%	95%
CONSULTANTS*	2,500	2,378	122	100%	95%
LEGAL	0	0	0	0%	
TOTAL REVENUE	17,003	16,175	828	100%	95%
EXPENSES FOR:					
ADMINSTRATION	14,503	12,173	2,370	100%	84%
CONSULTANTS	69,164	2,500	66,664	100%	4%
LEGAL	10,000	0	10,000	100%	0%
TOTAL EXPENSES	93,667	14,673	79,034	100%	16%
BALANCE	-76,664	1,502			

*Revenue does not reflect cash carryover

BUDGET DETAILED

REVENUES FOR:	2026 Budget	Actual Revenues YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
ADMINISTRATION	14,503	13,797	706	100%
CONSULTANTS	2,500	2,378	122	100%
LEGAL	0	0	0	
TOTAL REVENUE	17,003	16,175	828	100%

BUDGET REVENUE CONTRIBUTIONS BY ENTITY YTD AS OF: 10/31/26

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	$9,192.06	$1,018.12	$1,467.71	$2,118.90	$13,796.79
CONSULTANTS	$2,500.00	$1,584.50	$175.50	$253.00	$365.25	$2,378.25
LEGAL	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL REVENUE	$17,003.10	$10,776.56	$1,193.62	$1,720.71	$2,484.15	$16,175.04

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WRP - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

2026 Water Resources Plan Budget Comparison

ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES		2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
BENEFITS					
SALARIES		10,566	8,830	1,766	100%
PENSION - 1 (10%)		1,057	883	177	100%
PENSION - 2 (6.55%)		692	578	116	100%
PAYROLL TAX (ETT, FUTA, SUI, MED)		183	153	31	100%
INSURANCE					
WORK COMP	QTRLY	70	57	18	107%
HEALTH & VISION	12/1/26 & 4/1/26	1,841	1,593	249	100%
DENTAL	8/1/26	55	45	9	100%
LIFE	4/1/26	40	33	7	100%
ADMINISTRATION SUBTOTAL		14,503	12,173	2,370	100%

CONSULTANT EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
SURFACE STORAGE	2,500	2,500	0	100%
MILLIKEN MUSEUM/WATER AGENCY OFFICE	66,664	0	66,664	100%
CONSULTANT SUBTOTAL	69,164	2,500	66,664	100%

LEGAL EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	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	14,673	79,035	100%

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PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

2026 Water Resources Plan Budget Comparison

BUDGET SUMMARY

PERIOD ENDING:	10/31/26	2026 Budget	Actual YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget	Percentage of Budget as of 10/31/26
REVENUES FOR:						
ADMINISTRATION		130,515	130,515	0	100%	100%
CONSULTANTS*		452,186	452,186	0	100%	100%
LEGAL		75,000	75,000	0	100%	100%
TOTAL REVENUE		657,701	657,701	0	100%	100%
EXPENSES FOR:						
ADMINSTRATION		130,515	109,550	21,331	100%	84%
CONSULTANTS		1,950,000	1,728,498	227,354	100%	89%
LEGAL		75,000	83,704	8,555	123%	112%
TOTAL EXPENSES		2,155,515	1,921,752	257,240	101%	89%
BALANCE		-1,497,814	-1,264,050			

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

BUDGET DETAILED

REVENUES FOR:	2026 Budget	Actual Revenues YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
ADMINISTRATION	130,515	130,515	0	100%
CONSULTANTS	452,186	452,186	0	100%
LEGAL	75,000	75,000	0	100%
TOTAL REVENUE	657,701	657,701	0	100%

BUDGET REVENUE CONTRIBUTIONS BY ENTITY YTD AS OF: 10/31/26

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.	100% TOTAL
ADMINISTRATION	$130,515.43	$102,728.69	$11,380.95	$16,405.79	$0.00	$130,515.43
CONSULTANTS	$452,186.00	$355,915.60	$39,430.62	$56,839.79	$0.00	$452,186.01
LEGAL	$75,000.00	$59,032.50	$6,540.00	$9,427.49	$0.00	$74,999.99
TOTAL REVENUE	$657,701.43	$517,676.79	$57,351.57	$82,673.07	$0.00	$657,701.43

San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority

PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

2026 Water Resources Plan Budget Comparison

ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES		2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
BENEFITS					
SALARIES		95,090	79,473	15,895	100%
PENSION - 1 (10%)		9,509	7,947	1,589	100%
PENSION - 2 (6.55%)		6,228	5,205	1,041	100%
PAYROLL TAX (ETT, FUTA, SUI, MED)		1,643	1,373	270	100%
INSURANCE					
WORK COMP	QTRLY	624	508	159	107%
HEALTH & VISION	12/1/26 & 4/1/26	16,570	14,336	2,235	100%
DENTAL	8/1/26	490	408	82	100%
LIFE	4/1/26	360	300	60	100%
ADMINISTRATION SUBTOTAL		130,515	109,550	21,331	100%

CONSULTANT EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
LOS BANOS CREEK*				
PROJECT 2 (LB CREEK DETENTION DAM)	1,500,000	1,045,009	227,354	85%
GOLDEN MUSSELL MITIGATION	450,000	0	0	0%
DEL PUERTO CANYON RESERVOIR**				
PROJECT DESIGN	(TBD)	683,490		
CONSULTANT SUBTOTAL	1,950,000	1,728,498	227,354	100%

*LBC 2025 Carryover - $866,450.61

**DPCR 2025 Carryover - $861,215.99

LEGAL EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
LEGAL	75,000	83,704	8,555	123%
LEGAL SUBTOTAL	75,000	83,704	8,555	123%

TOTAL EXPENSES	2,155,515	1,921,752	257,240	101%

Project Breakdown **10/31/2026**

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	10/26	SLWD	$ 1,406,505
TOTAL			**$ 2,376,914**

***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: 10/31/26	2026 Budget	Actual YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
REVENUES FOR:				
Fund 900 (General Membership)	58,169	58,169	0	100%
Fund 901 (Irrigated Lands Reg. Program)	1,491,322	1,491,322	0	100%
TOTAL REVENUE	1,549,491	1,549,491	0	100%
EXPENSES FOR:				
Fund 900 (General Membership)	58,169	58,169	0	100%
Fund 901 (Irrigated Lands Reg. Program)	1,491,322	1,491,322	0	100%
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,549,491	1,549,491	0	100%
BALANCE	0	0		

BUDGET REVENUE CONTRIBUTIONS BY ENTITY YTD AS OF: 10/31/26

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	$36,867.51	$4,083.46	$5,886.70	$11,331.32	$58,169
		70.7%	7.7%	0.0%	21.6%	100%
Fund 901 (ILRP)	$1,491,322	$1,054,662.92	$114,086.13	$0.00	$322,572.94	$1,491,322
TOTAL REVENUE	**$1,549,491**	**$1,091,530.43**	**$118,169.59**	**$5,886.70**	**$333,904.26**	**$1,549,491**

EXPENSES	2026 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD as of 10/31/26	Estimated to Complete for 2026	Percentage of 2026 Budget
Fund 900 (General Membership)	58,169	58,169	0	100%
Fund 901 (Irrigated Lands Reg. Program)	1,491,322	1,491,322	0	100%
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,549,491	1,549,491	0	100%

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

	Westamerica Checking	LAIF (3.99% daily; 3.97% qtrly)	Mechanic's Bank Money Market Acct (3.61%)	Mechanic's Bank Community Fund MM Acct. (3.61%)	Westamerica Money Market Account (3.00%)			Petty Cash	Total Cash
					General	MPG^	Milliken Museum Society^		
CASH BALANCE: September 30, 2026	($3,072,043.73)	$968,215.47	$703,465.56	$1,772,589.47	$3,118,968.56	$27,772.55	$283.21	$100.00	$3,519,351.09
Increases:									
CCC, Re: SJVDA Membership Dues - '26 2nd Installment	59,084.80								59,084.80
Triangle T WD, Re: August '26 Water Transfer	1,300.00								1,300.00
SLDMWA, Re: August '26 Water Transfer	9,841,000.00								9,841,000.00
SLCC, Re: SJVDA Membership Dues - '26 2nd Installment	166,952.13								166,952.13
C.A.S.T., Re: Reimb. of Event Expenses	642.95								642.95
FCWD, Re: SJVDA - '26 2nd Inst.; '26 Gen., Wtr Transfer & WRP Budgets - 4th Qtr Dues	85,247.03								85,247.03
Westside Water Authority, Re: August '26 Water Transfer	1,260,176.30								1,260,176.30
Del Puerto WD, Re: Grant Funds, Re: DPCR	105,103.00								105,103.00
CCC, Re: '26 WRP Budgets - 4th Qtr Dues	14,636.29								14,636.29
CCC, Re: '26 Wtr. Transfer Budget - 4th Qtr Dues	1,622.06								1,622.06
CCC, Re: '26 General Budget - 4th Qtr Dues	44,434.12								44,434.12
CCID, Re: SJVDA Membership Dues - '26 2nd Installment	545,765.21								545,765.21
Santa Clara Valley WD, Re: September '26 Water Transfer	160,550.00								160,550.00
CCID, Re: '26 WRP Budgets - 4th Qtr Dues	132,113.33								132,113.33
CCID, Re: '26 Wtr. Transfer Budget - 4th Qtr Dues	12,130.83								12,130.83
CCID, Re: '26 General Budget - 4th Qtr Dues	296,833.00								296,833.00
LAIF, '26 3rd Qtr Interest		9,666.01							9,666.01
Mechanic's Bank, Sept. '26 Interest			2,052.58						2,052.58
Mechanic's Bank, Sept. '26 Interest				4,465.94					4,465.94
Westamerica, Sept. '26 Interest					11,648.07	55.81	0.80		11,704.68
Transfer from Money Market to Checking: 10/5/26	3,034,100.00								3,034,100.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 10/8/26					8,544,900.00				8,544,900.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 10/13/26					233,000.00				233,000.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 10/14/26					86,300.00				86,300.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 10/15/26					1,260,250.00				1,260,250.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 10/19/26					165,600.00				165,600.00
Transfer from Money Market to Checking: 10/23/26	24,000.00								24,000.00
TOTAL INCREASES	$15,785,691.05	$9,666.01	$2,052.58	$4,465.94	$10,301,698.07	$55.81	$0.80	$0.00	$26,103,630.26
Decreases:									
Check Disbursements	11,311,472.91			67,500.00					11,378,972.91
Transfer from Money Market to Checking: 10/5/26					3,034,100.00				3,034,100.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 10/8/26	8,544,900.00								8,544,900.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 10/13/26	233,000.00								233,000.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 10/14/26	86,300.00								86,300.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 10/15/26	1,260,250.00								1,260,250.00
Transfer from Checking to Money Market: 10/19/26	165,600.00								165,600.00
Transfer from Money Market to Checking: 10/23/26					24,000.00				24,000.00
TOTAL DECREASES	$21,601,522.91	$0.00	$0.00	$67,500.00	$3,058,100.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$24,727,122.91
CASH BALANCE: October 31, 2026	**($8,887,875.59)**	**$977,881.48**	**$705,518.14**	**$1,709,555.41**	**$10,362,566.63**	**$27,828.36**	**$284.01**	**$100.00**	**$4,895,858.44**

Accounts Receivable:

NAME	0 - 30	31-60	61-90	>90	TOTAL
BOR	$ 1,274,650.00				$ 1,274,650.00
Del Puerto Water District	$ 308.25				$ 308.25
San Luis & Delta-Mendota W.A.	$ 5,550,350.00				$ 5,550,350.00
SLCC	$ 107,527.36				$ 107,527.36
Westside Water Authority	$ 600,846.49				$ 600,846.49
TOTAL	$ 7,533,682.10	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 7,533,682.10

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

Accounts Receivables:	$	308.25
Water Transfer Payment:	$	(1,420,726.30)
Community Infrastructure Restricted Funds^	$	(1,709,555.41)
MPG Restricted Funds^	$	(27,828.36)
Milliken Museum Restricted Funds^	$	(284.01)
Subtotal		**$1,737,772.61**
WRP Balance*	$	(1,015,412.55)
Subtotal	$	**722,360.06**
2026 Outstanding General Budget Membership Dues	$	100,234.15
Subtotal	$	822,594.21
Current Estimated Expenses for General Budget	$	(349,279.00)
**	$	**473,315.21**

SAN JOAQUIN RIVER EXCHANGE CONTRACTORS WATER AUTHORITY - 2027 DRAFT BUDGET - SUMMARY SHEET

(Normal 4-Entity Split)	CCID 63.38%	SLCC 19.48%	FCWD 10.12%	CCC 7.02%	DRAFT 2027 BUDGET TOTAL	DRAFT 2027 BUDGET CASH CALL	2026 BUDGET	2026 ESTIMATED/ ACTUAL	Variance of 2027 to 2026 Budget	Variance of 2027 to 2026 Est/Actual
GENERAL BUDGET										
General Expenses	$649,546.58	$199,640.75	$103,714.29	$71,944.10	$1,024,844.72	$1,024,844.73	$971,634.35	$1,042,267.94	105%	98%
Watermaster Expenses (split equally - 25% ea)	$52,486.50	$52,486.50	$52,486.50	$52,486.50	$209,945.99	$209,945.96	$207,939.80	$203,805.80	101%	103%
Bay Delta Expenses	$19,647.80	$6,038.80	$3,137.20	$2,176.20	$31,000.00	$31,000.00	$31,000.00	$25,270.00	100%	123%
Water Operation Expenses	$47,535.00	$14,610.00	$7,590.00	$5,265.00	$75,000.00	$75,000.00	$100,500.00	$90,334.00	75%	83%
Pumping Issues Expenses	$3,802.80	$1,168.80	$607.20	$421.20	$6,000.00	$6,000.00	$6,000.00	$4,123.00	100%	146%
Communications Expenses	$115,478.36	$35,492.56	$18,438.64	$12,790.44	$182,200.00	$182,200.00	$182,200.00	$182,201.00	100%	100%
General Consultants' Expenses	$272,534.00	$83,764.00	$43,516.00	$30,186.00	$430,000.00	$430,000.00	$360,000.00	$371,590.00	119%	116%
San Joaquin River Settlement Expenses	$12,676.00	$3,896.00	$2,024.00	$1,404.00	$20,000.00	$20,000.00	$100,000.00	$27,051.00	20%	74%
General Legal Expenses	$31,690.00	$9,740.00	$5,060.00	$3,510.00	$50,000.00	$50,000.00	$60,000.00	$46,466.00	83%	108%
SUBTOTAL	**$1,205,397.04**	**$406,837.41**	**$236,573.82**	**$180,183.44**	**$2,028,990.71**	**$2,028,990.69**	**$2,019,274.15**	**$1,993,108.74**	**100%**	**102%**
WATER RESOURCES PLAN - GEN. MEMBERSHIP	**63.38%**	**19.48%**	**10.12%**	**7.02%**						
Administrative Expenses	$9,290.18	$2,855.36	$1,483.38	$1,028.98	$14,657.90	$14,657.90	$14,503.67	$14,538.64	101%	101%
Surface Storage	$1,584.50	$487.00	$253.00	$175.50	$2,500.00	$2,500.00	$2,500.00	$2,500.00	100%	100%
Milliken Museum/Water Agency Office	$42,251.64	$12,986.15	$6,746.40	$4,679.81	$66,664.00	$0.00	$66,664.00	$66,664.00	100%	100%
Legal	$6,338.00	$1,948.00	$1,012.00	$702.00	$10,000.00	$0.00	$10,000.00	$10,000.00	100%	
SUBTOTAL	**$59,464.32**	**$18,276.52**	**$9,494.77**	**$6,586.30**	**$93,821.90**	**$17,157.90**	$93,667.67	$93,702.64	100%	100%
	78.71%	**0%**	**12.57%**	**8.72%**						
WATER RESOURCES PLAN - PARTICIPATION AGR.										
Adminstrative Expenses	$103,822.01	$0.00	$16,580.39	$11,502.07	$131,904.48	$131,904.48	$130,514.40	$130,837.24	101%	101%
Los Banos Creek										
Projects 2 & 4	$359,704.70	$0.00	$57,444.90	$39,850.40	$457,000.00	$7,000.00	$1,500,000.00	$1,618,606.65	30%	28%
Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir (DPCR)	$1,574,200.00	$0.00	$251,400.00	$174,400.00	$2,000,000.00	$500,000.00	$0.00	$672,854.00		297%
Legal	$59,032.50	$0.00	$9,427.50	$6,540.00	$75,000.00	$75,000.00	$75,000.00	$87,100.00	100%	86%
SUBTOTAL	**$2,096,759.21**	**$0.00**	**$334,852.79**	**$232,292.47**	**$2,663,904.48**	**$713,904.48**	**$1,705,514.40**	**$2,509,397.89**	**156%**	**106%**
SJ VALLEY DRAINAGE AUTHORITY BUDGET*	**63.38%**	**19.48%**	**10.12%**	**7.02%**						
Fund 900 (General Membership)	$40,554.26	$12,464.45	$6,475.37	$4,491.81	$63,985.90	$63,985.90	$58,169.00	$58,169.00	110%	110%
	70.72%	**21.63%**	**0.00%**	**7.65%**						
Fund 901 (Irrigated Lands Reg. Program)	$1,160,129.20	$354,830.25	$0.00	$125,494.75	$1,640,454.20	$1,640,454.20	$1,491,322.00	$1,491,322.00	110%	110%
SUBTOTAL *(ESTIMATED)*	**$1,200,683.46**	**$367,294.71**	**$6,475.37**	**$129,986.56**	**$1,704,440.10**	**$1,704,440.10**	**$1,549,491.00**	**$1,549,491.00**	**110%**	**110%**
(Based on 2026 Water Transfer Amounts)	**52.50%**	**27.98%**	**12.50%**	**7.02%**						
WATER TRANSFER BUDGET										
Administrative Expenses	$36,433.72	$19,417.44	$8,674.70	$4,871.71	$69,397.57	$69,397.57	$46,425.32	$85,186.00	149%	81%
Consultant Expenses	$3,150.00	$1,678.80	$750.00	$421.20	$6,000.00	$6,000.00	$6,000.00	$0.00		
Legal Expenses	$5,250.00	$2,798.00	$1,250.00	$702.00	$10,000.00	$10,000.00	$40,000.00	$10,183.00	25%	98%
	63.38%	**19.48%**	**10.12%**	**7.02%**						
Healthy Rivers & Landscapes	$532,392.00	$163,632.00	$85,008.00	$58,968.00	$840,000.00		$840,000.00	$0.00	100%	
SUBTOTAL	**$577,225.72**	**$187,526.24**	**$95,682.70**	**$64,962.91**	**$925,397.57**	**$85,397.57**	**$932,425.32**	**$95,369.00**	**99%**	**970%**
TOTAL	**$5,139,529.75**	**$979,934.87**	**$883,079.45**	**$614,011.67**	**$7,416,554.76**	**$4,549,890.74**	**$6,206,704.87**	**$6,147,366.62**	**119%**	**121%**

***SJVDA - Amount will be confirmed when SJVDA's budget is approved in Feb. 2027**

APPROVED-11/2/26

MINUTES OF THE SAN JOAQUIN RIVER EXCHANGE CONTRACTORS WATER AUTHORITY FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

The Finance Committee of the ***San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority (SJRECWA)*** met in Regular Session on Wednesday, September 30, 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, John Wiersma (via teleconference), Jarrett Martin (via teleconference), Mike Gardner (via teleconference), and Chris Cardella (via teleconference 8:34 a.m.)

OTHERS: Steve Chedester, SJRECWA Director of Policy & Programs, Joann White, SJRECWA Director of Finance & Administration, and Marisol Bonilla, SJRECWA 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 AUGUST 28, 2026 FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The unapproved minutes of August 28, 2026 Finance Committee meeting were presented. A motion was made by John Wiersma and seconded by Mike Gardner to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

SEPTEMBER 2026 GENERAL BUDGET COMPARISON

Marisol Bonilla presented the September 2026 General Budget Comparison and reviewed the revenue and expenses to date, which included proposed adjustments to estimated expenses. Ms. Bonilla stated fourth quarter dues invoices will be mailed out.

SEPTEMBER 2026 WATER TRANSFER BUDGET COMPARISON

A review of the Water Transfer Budget Comparison for September 2026 was completed.

APPROVED-11/2/26

SEPTEMBER 2026 WATER RESOURCES PLAN (GENERAL) BUDGET COMPARISON

A review of the September report for the Water Resources Plan General Budget Comparison was provided.

SEPTEMBER 2026 WATER RESOURCES PLAN (PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT) BUDGET COMPARISON

The Water Resources Plan (Participation Agreement) Budget Comparison was outlined.

SEPTEMBER 2026 SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DRAINAGE AUTHORITY BUDGET COMPARISON

The San Joaquin Valley Drainage Authority (SJVDA) Budget Comparison was presented. Ms. Bonilla stated that the second installment invoice had been received and invoiced to the member entities for reimbursement.

SEPTEMBER 2026 CASH ACTIVITY REPORT AND EXPENDITURE LIST

A review of the September Expenditure List and Cash Activity Report were next provided.

A motion was made by Mike Gardner and seconded by Chris Cardella to recommend approval of the September 2026 financial report as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

DRAFT 2027 PROPOSED BUDGET

Chris White presented the Draft 2027 Proposed Budget and provided a detailed review. He explained that the draft budget will be presented to the Exchange Contractors' Board at the next meeting for informational purposes only. He will then make a presentation at each of the member entity board meetings for their approval before bringing it back to the Exchange Contractors' Board in November for ratification. Mr. White added that a Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Standing Committee will be scheduled later in October to review the project's proposed 2027 budget for consideration before the November Board meeting.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

With no further business coming before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 a.m.

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CHRIS CARDELLA

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JARRETT MARTIN

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JOHN WIERSMA

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MIKE GARDNER

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CHRIS WHITE

Four Entities Water Report

To: **Chris White and the Four Entities Board of Directors**
From: Adam Hoffman, Water Resources Specialist
Date: Friday, November 6, 2026

Subject: ***Water Report for the Four Entities Board Meeting***

General Information:

Mendota Pool	887 cfs
Delta Mendota Canal	183 cfs
SJRECWA Total Demand	1,070 cfs

San Joaquin River	
Friant Release	410 cfs
Gravelly Ford	222 cfs
Chowchilla Bypass	0 cfs
Into Mendota Pool	95 cfs
Mendota Dam	452 cfs
Sack Dam	105 cfs

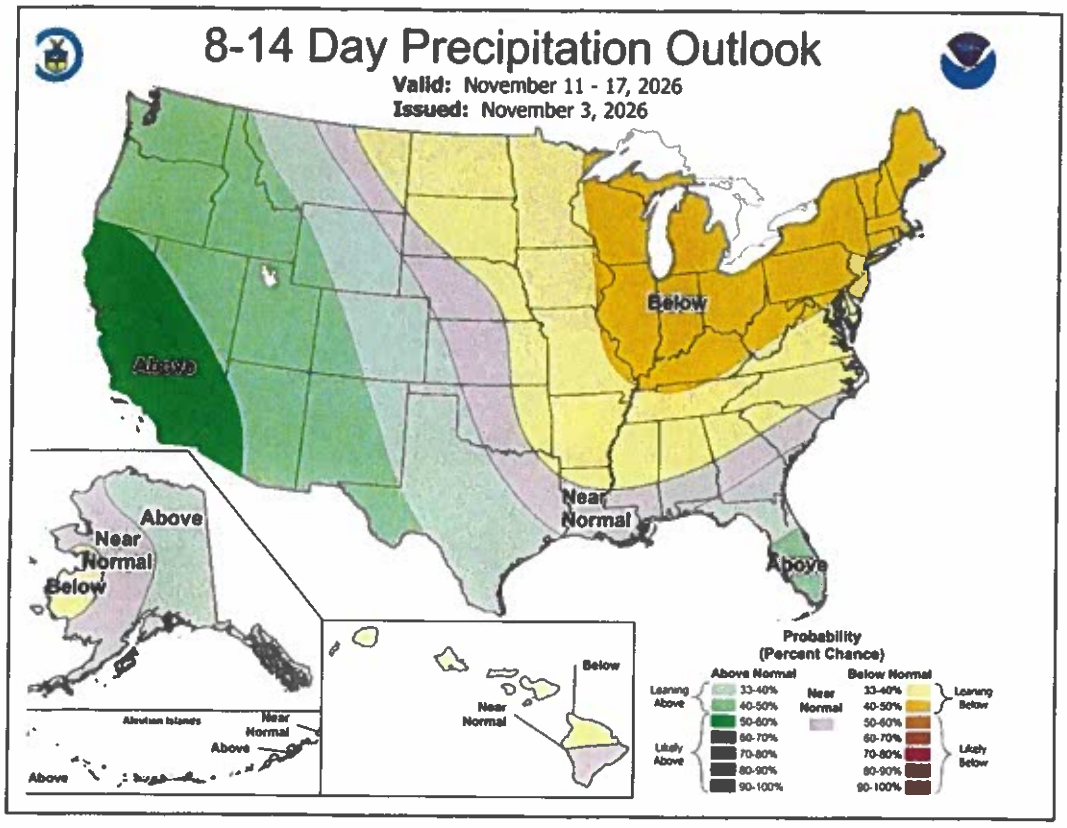
Current Reservoir Storages:	***Current Storage***	***Last Reported 10/7***	***Difference in Storage***	***Max Storage***	***% of Max***	***% of Avg.***
Shasta	2,264,374	2,426,033	-161,659	4,552,000	50%	93%
San Luis	1,348,672	1,481,259	-132,587	2,041,000	66%	145%
SL Federal	430,418	484,329	-53,911	965,655	45%	131%
SL SWP	918,254	996,930	-78,676	1,075,345	85%	153%
Millerton	226,027	224,816	1,211	520,500	43%	100%
Pine Flat	184,597	161,526	23,071	1,000,000	18%	66%
Los Banos Creek D. Dam	8,315	8,315	0	34,600	24%	41%
Upper San Joaquin Basin:						
Edison	27,955	29,036	-1,081	125,000	22%	62%
Florence	6,165	6,579	-414	64,000	10%	52%
Huntington	61,002	80,531	-19,529	89,000	69%	109%
Shaver	66,593	77,270	-10,677	136,000	49%	73%
Mammoth	25,761	42,251	-16,490	120,000	21%	78%
Redinger	15,110	24,148	-9,038	26,000	58%	100%
Bass Lake (Crane Valley Res.)	29,824	32,012	-2,188	46,100	65%	114%
Total Upstream Storage:	232,410	291,827	-59,417	606,100	38%	85%

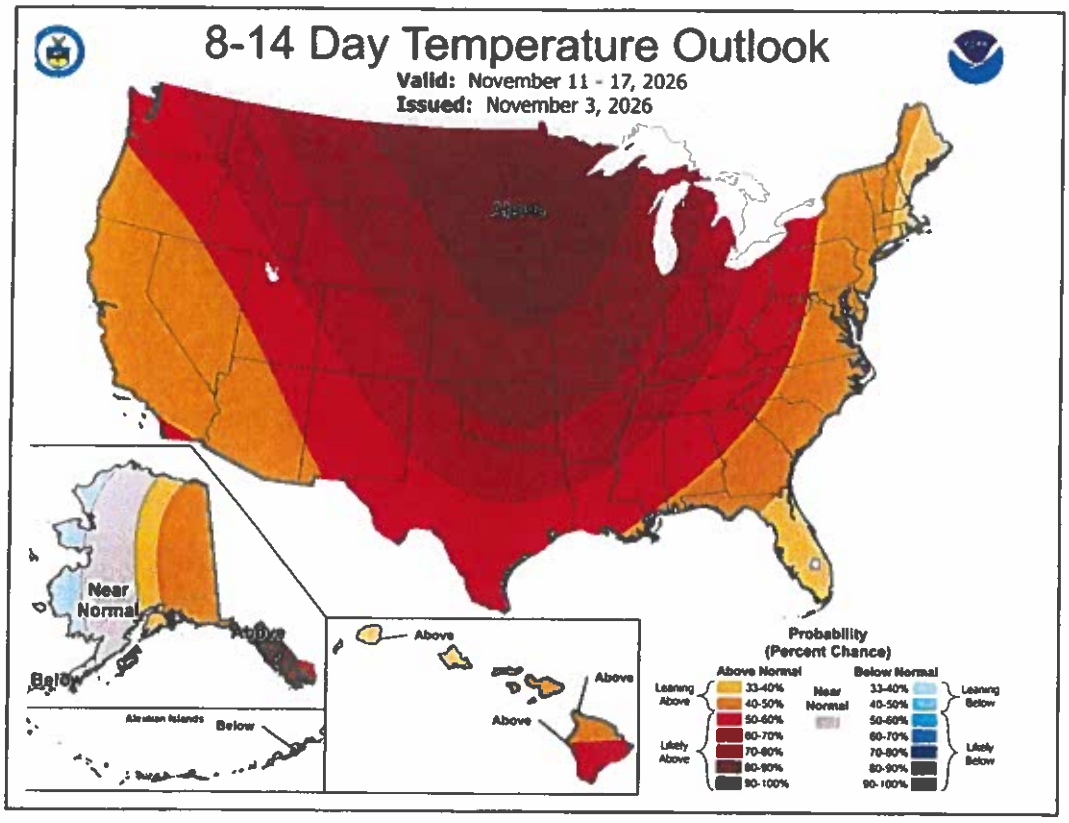
Accumulated Full Natural Flow to Shasta Lake:

2027	***% of Avg.***	***2026***	***% of Avg.***	***105 Year Average***
211.4	79%	235.3	88%	268.8

Delta Operations:

Sacramento River at Freeport	7,855 cfs	DMC-Calif. Aqueduct Intertie	0 cfs
San Joaquin River at Vernalis	1,921 cfs		
Yolo Bypass & Misc. Streams	878 cfs		
	10,654 cfs		
Bill Jones Pumping Plant	934 cfs		
Other Delta Exports	166 cfs		
Harvey O Banks Pumping Plant	994 cfs		
Total Delta Exports	**2,094 cfs**		
Net Delta Consumptive Use	**1,700 cfs**		
Outflow Index (Out the Gate)	**6,860 cfs**		
% of Inflow Diverted	**18%**		
Controlling Factor(s)	**Delta WQ**		


8-14 Day Precipitation Outlook
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Issued: November 3, 2026
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SHASTA DAM

Tuesday, November 3, 2026

Date	STORAGE Accumulation	OUTFLOW Average	River Release	Accumulation FNF	Rain Fall Total
	-161,659 A F	5,440 CFS	9 CFS	193,816 AF	0.62 Inches
10/4/2026	2,426,034	5,050	0	2,956	0.00
10/5/2026	2,422,532	5,648	0	3,479	0.00
10/6/2026	2,419,481	5,627	0	3,117	0.00
10/7/2026	2,415,649	5,437	0	2,974	0.00
10/8/2026	2,411,480	5,527	0	2,903	0.00
10/9/2026	2,406,083	5,523	0	3,288	0.00
10/10/2026	2,402,770	5,443	0	2,714	0.00
10/11/2026	2,395,470	5,622	0	2,991	0.00
10/12/2026	2,389,019	5,678	0	3,180	0.00
10/13/2026	2,382,394	6,251	0	3,971	0.00
10/14/2026	2,375,834	7,108	0	4,296	0.00
10/15/2026	2,369,362	5,618	0	3,315	0.00
10/16/2026	2,362,542	5,683	0	2,681	0.00
10/17/2026	2,356,196	5,641	0	3,000	0.00
10/18/2026	2,349,511	5,321	0	3,014	0.00
10/19/2026	2,342,520	5,635	0	3,455	0.00
10/20/2026	2,336,461	5,747	140	3,085	0.00
10/21/2026	2,330,709	5,547	0	2,897	0.00
10/22/2026	2,325,643	4,286	0	2,845	0.10
10/23/2026	2,319,151	5,782	140	3,614	0.52
10/24/2026	2,312,221	5,523	0	3,098	0.00
10/25/2026	2,305,536	5,516	0	3,033	0.00
10/26/2026	2,300,482	5,654	0	2,980	0.00
10/27/2026	2,294,081	5,491	0	3,112	0.00
10/28/2026	2,286,738	5,534	0	2,963	0.00
10/29/2026	2,279,839	5,578	0	2,886	0.00
10/30/2026	2,275,908	5,064	0	3,330	0.00
10/31/2026	2,272,912	4,433	0	3,153	0.00
11/1/2026	2,267,801	4,726	0	2,918	0.00
11/2/2026	2,265,629	4,504	0	3,009	0.00
11/3/2026	2,264,375	4,444	0	3,457	0.00

WATER YEAR ACCUMULATION TO DATE:

Full Natural Flow to Shasta Lake in TAF: (Oct. 1 2025 to date)	211.4	79%
Accumulated Precipitation For Water Year To Date (Inches)	0.62	19%

Average Daily Inflow into Shasta Lake by Month in cfs

Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
3,135	3,128	0	0	0	0
81%	58%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
0	0	0	0	0	0
0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Operator: USBR
Elevation 1,076

Reservoir Flows are daily Averages
Provisional Data and subject to change

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Millerton Lake Daily Operations Report

Run Date: 11/04/2026

11/3/2026

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

Millerton Lake

503.48 ft. Res Elev. Storage 226,027 AF Change -272 AF

Capacity 520,500 AF % Capacity 43.4 %

Inflow 286 CFS

Monthly Accum. Inflow 4,155 AF

WY Accum. Inflow 78,947 AF

Monthly Accum. SJR 2,440 AF

Monthly Accum. MC 0 AF

Monthly Accum. FKC 0 AF

0 cfs, Average Spillway Discharge for 24 hours.

410 cfs, Average San Joaquin River Outlets Discharge for 24 hours.

0 cfs, Average Madera Canal Discharge for 24 hours.

0 cfs, Average Friant- Kern Canal Discharge for 24 hours.

410 cfs, Total Average Release from Friant Dam for 24 hours.

0.13 inches, Evaporation at Friant Dam for 24 hours ending at 06:00 the current day (report date + 1).

13 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	1.05
0.00 inches, Preciptation at Crane Valley.	0.65	1.74
0.00 inches, Precipitation at Huntington Lake.	0.00	0.00

71 Maximum	45 Minimum	Temperatures at Friant Dam
57 Maximum	40 Minimum	Temperatures at Crane Valley
48 Maximum	34 Minimum	Temperatures at Huntington Lake

Upstream Lake Storages

	Capacity	% Capacity
27,955 AF, Thomas A. Edison Lake	125,000 AF	22 %
6,165 AF, Florence Lake	64,000 AF	10 %
61,002 AF, Huntington Lake	89,000 AF	69 %
66,593 AF, Shaver Lake	136,000 AF	49 %
25,761 AF, Mammoth Pool	120,000 AF	21 %
15,110 AF, Redinger Lake	26,000 AF	58 %
29,824 AF, Crane Valley Reservoir	46,100 AF	65 %
2,134 AF, Kerckhoff Reservoir	4,188 AF	51 %
161,715 AF, Total for Edison, Florence, Huntington and Shaver	414,000 AF	39 %
202,586 AF, Total for Southern California Edison Company	560,000 AF	36 %
234,544 AF, Total Upstream Storage	610,288 AF	38 %
460,571 AF, Total Storage	1,130,788 AF	41 %

Natural River

516 CFS, Natural River

Monthly Accum. Natural River 3,656 AF

WY. Accum. Natural River 11,197 AF

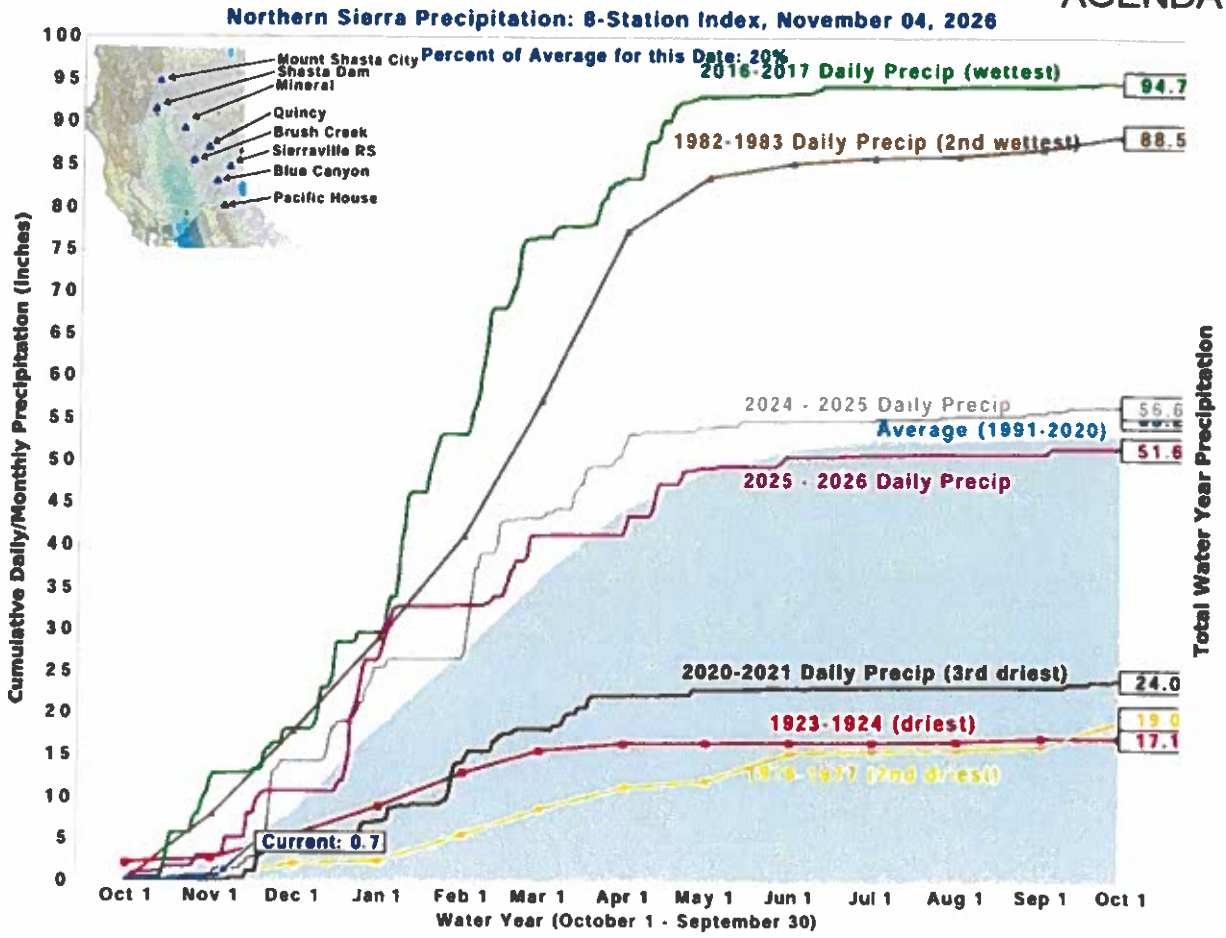
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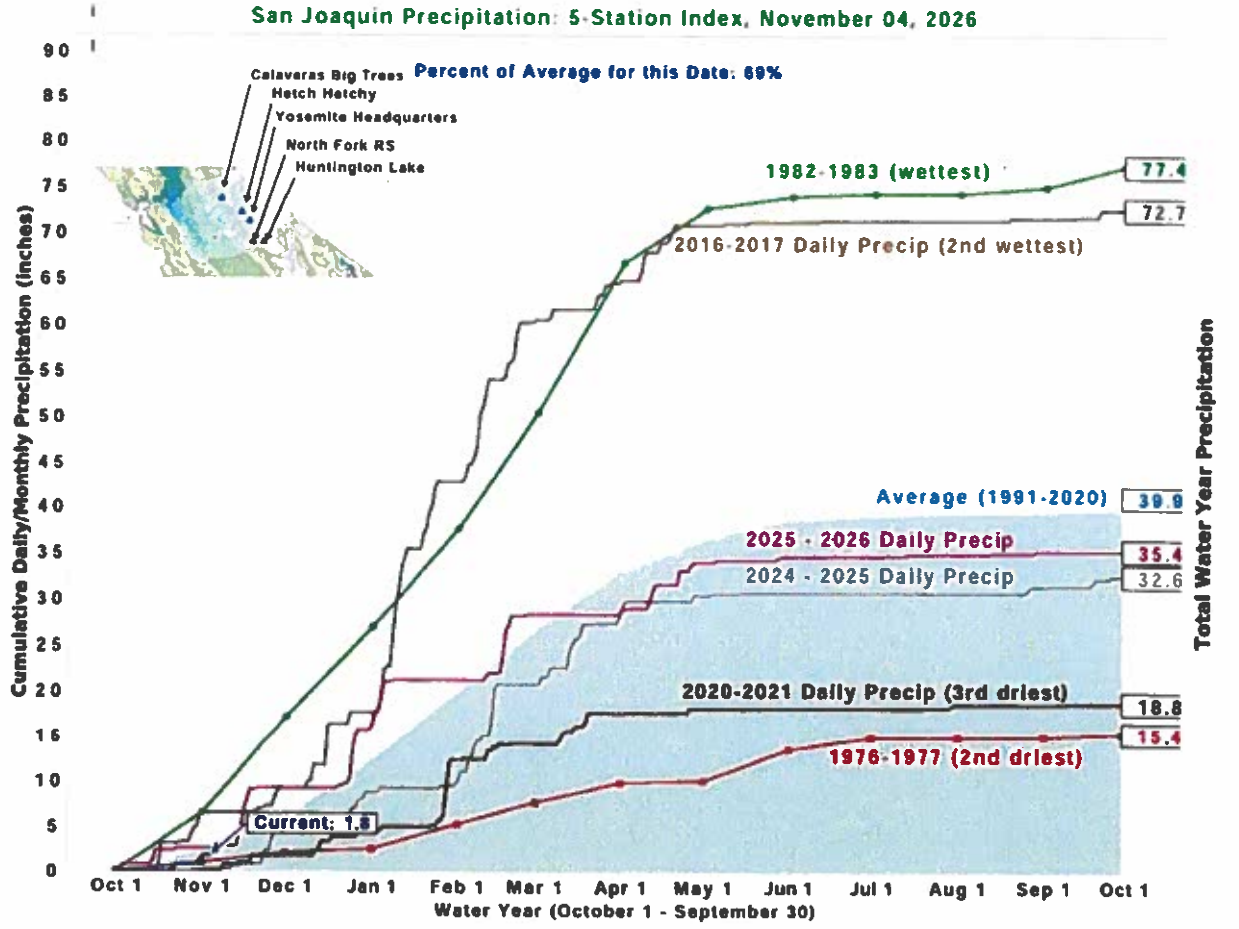
222 CFS, Flow at Gravelly Ford for current day (report date +1) @ 06:00

Monthly Accum. Gravelly Ford 1,325 AF

9 CFS, Flow at Bifurcation for current day (report date +1) @ 06:00

Monthly Accum. Bifurcation 58 AF


Northern Sierra Precipitation: 8-Station Index, November 04, 2026
Percent of Average for this Date: 20%
Mount Shasta City
Shasta Dam
Mineral
Quincy
Brush Creek
Sierraville RS
Blue Canyon
Pacific House
2016-2017 Daily Precip (wettest)
94.7
1982-1983 Daily Precip (2nd wettest)
88.5
2024 - 2025 Daily Precip
56.6
Average (1991-2020)
51.6
2025 - 2026 Daily Precip
2020-2021 Daily Precip (3rd driest)
24.0
1923-1924 (driest)
17.1
Current: 0.7
Cumulative Daily/Monthly Precipitation (inches)
Total Water Year Precipitation
Oct 1
Nov 1
Dec 1
Jan 1
Feb 1
Mar 1
Apr 1
May 1
Jun 1
Jul 1
Aug 1
Sep 1
Oct 1
Water Year (October 1 - September 30)


San Joaquin Precipitation: 5-Station Index, November 04, 2026
Percent of Average for this Date: 69%
Calaveras Big Trees
Hetch Hetchy
Yosemite Headquarters
North Fork RS
Huntington Lake
1982-1983 (wettest)
77.4
72.7
2016-2017 Daily Precip (2nd wettest)
Average (1991-2020)
39.9
2025 - 2026 Daily Precip
35.4
2024 - 2025 Daily Precip
32.6
2020-2021 Daily Precip (3rd driest)
18.8
15.4
1976-1977 (2nd driest)
Current: 1.8
Cumulative Daily/Monthly Precipitation (inches)
Total Water Year Precipitation
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Water Year (October 1 - September 30)

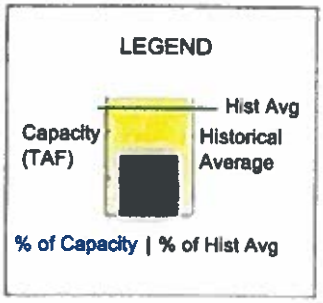


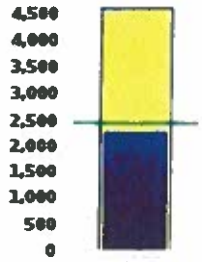
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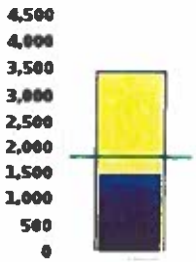
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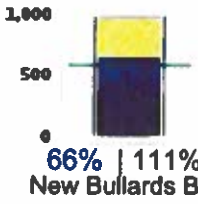
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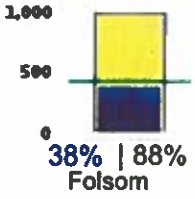
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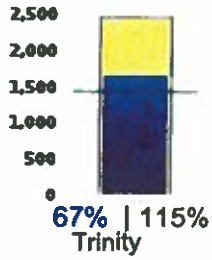


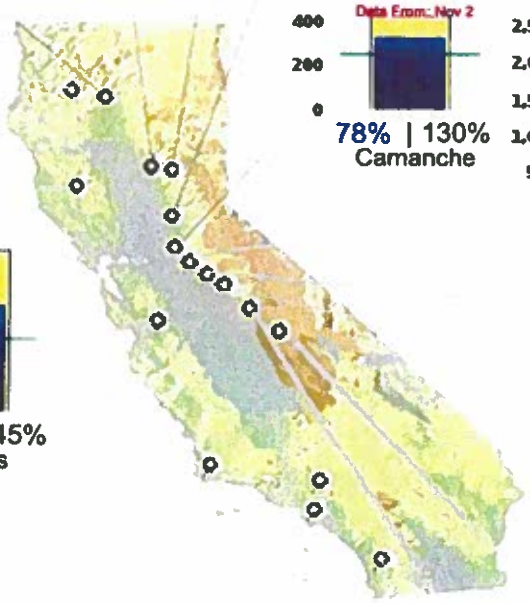


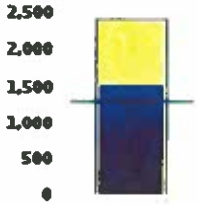




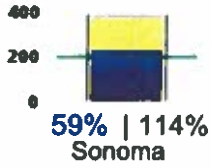


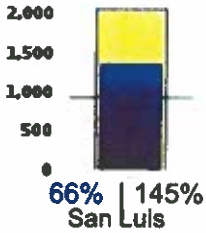


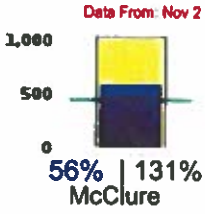


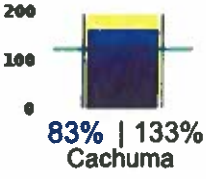


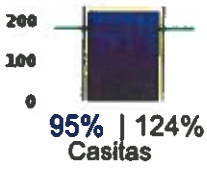


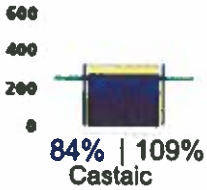


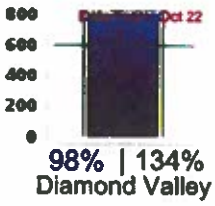


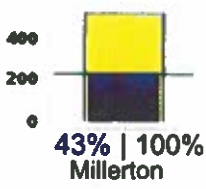


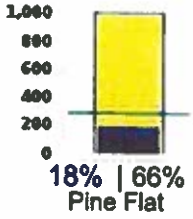












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Daily CVP Water Supply

Run Date: 11/04/2026

November 3, 2026

Reservoir Releases in Cubic Feet/Second

Reservoir	Dam	WY 2026	WY 2027	15 Yr Median
Trinity	Lewiston	286	313	303
Sacramento	Keswick	5,473	5,333	5,333
Feather	Oroville(SWP)	2,552	1,250	1,750
American	Nimbus	1,036	1,202	1,296
Stanislaus	Goodwin	461	266	518
San Joaquin	Friant	502	410	426

Storage in Major Reservoirs in Thousands of Acre-Feet

Reservoir	Capacity	15 Yr Avg	WY 2026	WY 2027	% of 15 Yr Avg
Trinity	2,448	1,263	1,732	1,632	129
Shasta	4,552	2,205	2,539	2,264	103
Folsom	977	379	419	369	97
New Melones	2,420	1,283	1,616	1,506	117
Fed. San Luis	966	329	269	430	131
Total North CVP	11,363	5,459	6,575	6,201	114
Millerton	521	240	255	226	94
Oroville (SWP)	3,425	1,478	1,818	1,460	99

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

Reservoir	Current WY 2027	WY 1977	WY 1983	15 Yr Avg	% of 15 Yr Avg
Trinity	4	8	49	18	24
Shasta	191	259	318	213	90
Folsom	66	58	186	66	101
New Melones	36	---	96	38	93
Millerton	79	30	112	61	130

Accumulated Precipitation for Water Year To Date in Inches

Reservoir	Current WY 2027	WY 1977	WY 1983	Average (N Years)		% of Average	Last 24 Hours
Trinity at Fish Hatchery	0.65	0.20	4.48	2.05	(66)	32	0.01
Sacramento at Shasta Dam	0.62	0.07	5.96	3.30	(71)	19	0.00
American at Blue Canyon	0.41	0.87	10.20	3.87	(52)	11	0.19
Stanislaus at New Melones	0.87	---	4.23	1.56	(49)	56	0.00
San Joaquin at Huntington Lk	0.00	1.20	7.20	2.39	(53)	0	0.00

MEMO

TO: Chris White, SJRECWA Board of Directors
FROM: Steve Chedester - *SC*
DATE: November 6, 2026

San Joaquin River Restoration Program Update:

1. **Jacobs - The Mendota Pool Fish Screen and Control Structure:**
   a. 90% Design
      i. Jacobs completed the redesign of TSC's secondary fish screens, flume, pipe, and discharge to the Compact Bypass in January 2026.
      ii. **Will finalize once TSC and NMFS provide 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. In late August, Reclamation released an RFI (Request for Information) investigating alternative pathways to complete the design and construct the Compact Bypass Facility and CCC-South Canal and Siphon Facility. **Reclamation received 8 responses, is reviewing them, and expects to submit an RFP in the first quarter of 2027.**
   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. An 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. The 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. The operations plan with SLCC and BOR was agreed to in late December 2025.

b. **Reclamation Schedule**
i. Construction began in late October 2025. Clearing and grubbing on the right bank is complete, and the initial sheet pile installation on the right bank of the river is also complete.
ii. Dewatering pump (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. This is now part of the Compact Bypass and fish ladder project.
4. Reach 2B Levees
a. South Levee (includes CCC siphon) and North Levee – has been delayed.

Bay Delta:

1. **Implementation of the 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 coordinate at a high level with SLDMWA on these processes.

Bay Delta Water Quality Control Plan

1. **SWRCB Phase 2**

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 Decision2 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.

The draft Staff Report includes scientific information and environmental and economic evaluations to support possible updates to the Sacramento/Delta portions of 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 draft Staff Report 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.
c) 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.

2. Bay-Delta Plan update

On August 19, 2026, the California State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) released for public review its Final Draft Sacramento/Delta Updates to the Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan (Bay-Delta Plan), the accompanying Final Staff Report, and a Final Scientific Basis Report Supplement supporting the proposed Healthy Rivers and Landscapes (HRL) Program, formerly known as the Voluntary Agreements proposal. The release initiates a formal public review period before Board consideration of adoption scheduled for October 28-29, 2026.

The proposal represents one of California's most significant water management initiatives in decades. It seeks to update environmental flow and water quality requirements in the Sacramento River Basin, Delta eastside tributaries, interior Delta, and Delta outflows while providing two implementation pathways: a voluntary, collaborative HRL program and a traditional regulatory compliance framework

Background

The Bay-Delta watershed is the hub of California's water supply system, serving nearly 30 million residents and approximately 4 million acres of irrigated farmland. The SWRCB maintains and updates the Bay-Delta Plan to protect beneficial uses of water while addressing ecosystem degradation, declining fish populations, water supply reliability, and water quality concerns.

The current update focuses on the Sacramento River and tributaries :

- **Delta eastside tributaries, including the Calaveras, Cosumnes, and Mokelumne Rivers**
- **Interior Delta flows**
- **Delta outflows**
- **Fish and wildlife protection**
- **Tribal beneficial uses and cultural resources associated with native fisheries**

The SWRCB released three principal documents:

1. Final Draft Bay-Delta Plan
   - The updated draft establishes revised objectives and implementation approaches for protecting fish and wildlife while integrating broader ecosystem restoration and water management measures.
2. Final Staff Report
   - The Staff Report contains responses to previously submitted comments, explains revisions made since the December 2025 draft, and documents the rationale supporting the proposed amendments.
3. Final Scientific Basis Report Supplement
   - This supplement provides the technical and scientific foundation supporting the HRL proposal, including analyses related to flow, habitat, ecosystem functions, adaptive management, and expected biological benefits.
   - The public comment deadline was established as September 18, 2026, with Board consideration scheduled for October 28-29, 2026.

Healthy Rivers and Landscapes (HRL) Program

1. The HRL Program originated from the 2022 Voluntary Agreements Memorandum of Understanding involving state agencies, water suppliers, and other stakeholders. The program evolved from earlier voluntary agreement concepts into a comprehensive watershed-scale framework intended to integrate environmental protection and water supply management.

2. The Fundamental HRL Program is built around the premise that ecosystem recovery requires more than prescribed flow requirements alone. The framework combines:
Dedicated environmental flows
- Habitat restoration investments
- Adaptive management
- Scientific monitoring
- Collaborative governance structures:
  According to SWRCB descriptions, the proposed Bay-Delta amendments would allow eligible water-right holders to comply through the HRL pathway rather than solely through traditional flow-based regulation.

Dual Compliance Structure - A defining feature of the 2026 proposal is its two-path implementation model:

Path 1: Healthy Rivers and Landscapes Voluntary Agreement Pathway

Participants may satisfy requirements by contributing:
- Flow commitments
- Habitat restoration projects
- Ecosystem enhancement measures
- Scientific monitoring activities
- Funding contributions for restoration and program implementation

Path 2: Regulatory Pathway

Water-right holders not participating in HRL would remain subject to regulatory requirements established through the updated Bay-Delta Plan. This pathway serves as the regulatory backstop identified by SWRCB staff.

The Board characterizes this structure as providing flexibility while preserving enforceable environmental protections.

On October 30^{h}, the State Board adopted a revised Bay–Delta Water Quality Control Plan and proposed a dual implementation pathway. One option is participating in the Healthy Rivers and Landscapes program, with voluntary agreements and habitat and flow commitments. The other is a default regulatory path, or unimpaired flow standard, with enforceable requirements if the voluntary agreements are not meeting the objectives.

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:
Activities

1. Modified the bylaws 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 to capture excess flows during wet years and replenish 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.

3. **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. **A second Planning Session was set for November.**

4. **Groundwater banking study with Metropolitan Water District: Metropolitan has approved the scope of work and budget, and the joint groundwater banking study is underway. .**
5. **The Unified Water Plan was finalized and released**
6. **The board will review the revised strategic plan on November 18, 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.

MEMO

TO: Chris White, SJRECWA Board of Directors
FROM: Steve Chedester - *SC*
DATE: November 6, 2026

Water Resources Plan Update:

1. Orestimba Creek Recharge and Recovery:
   a. **Recovery wells and construction are proceeding.**
   b. Continue working with State Water Contractors and SWRCB staff to seek a resolution for the last protest on the permanent water rights.
   c. The Ribbon-Cutting ceremony on April 14, 2026, was a success.
   d. Grants
      i. Stormwater 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 Laural Ag & Water was the low bidder.
      ii. Contractor moved equipment on site in the last week of October 2025 and broke ground on November 10th.

      1. **The rehabilitation of SLWD's lift stations 8 & 9, including the pumps, motors, and valves, is scheduled to be completed by the end of 2026.**
      2. **Continue outreach with SLDMWA, MWD, WWD, CDFW, and others to determine whether a viable filtration solution exists for removing the Golden Mussel veliger.**
         a. **Working with CDFW and BOR (TSC) on testing protocol, labs, and coordination on required reporting.**
         b. Both of our experimental filter stations are operational. (CCID shop.
      3. Air vents are installed and tested.
      4. Guardrails for the box culvert are complete.
      5. Connection to the SLWD supply pipeline is complete.
      6. The new boat dock was delivered and installed.
      7. The 450 cfs box culvert is constructed. Backfill and creek grading were 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 it covers the existing impact on the park infrastructure. Work was completed by August 30th. The final checklist items were completed September 18th.
   ii. **The Park was reopened on September 28th.**

3. **<u>Los Banos Creek Recharge and Recovery Project:</u>**
   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. **CCID is proceeding with environmental compliance.**
   d. 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.
      ii. **Coordination with Reclamation and Project Partners continues to determine the path forward for receiving the grant(s).**

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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: October 30, 2026

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

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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.

The dam design team participated in a technical briefing for Reclamation staff on October 30, at which the team summarized the various technical studies done to date.

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. Planned geotechnical exploration, now set to begin in the summer of 2027, will help validate work to date and inform later stages of design.

The project team continues to review pipeline drawings provided by the Crimson design team on August 10. After that review, a meeting will be scheduled with Crimson.

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New Road Alignment

The geotechnical work required to support the roadway design and utility relocation design was deferred from the summer 2026 target because the required environmental clearances could not be obtained in time. Specifically, SHPO, in consultation with a local tribe, has raised questions about the nature of the work proposed within a "cultural landscape". The team will answer those questions; in the meantime, the new target start date is summer 2027. It appears likely that the process with SHPO and the tribe may extend beyond that season and into 2028 or later; accordingly, the team is looking at phasing the geotechnical work.

Environmental

The Second Final EIR, or SFEIR, was certified by Del Puerto's Board on August 19, and a Notice of Determination published on August 25. On October 22, Sierra Club filed a petition opposing Del Puerto's motion to discharge writ. Therefore, Del Puerto's legal team is formulating a response.

The Program team continued work on the project Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) processing. The EIS is under the final stages of review in the Washington DC office.

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. Additionally, a briefing for Reclamation's technical team was held on October 30, to support Reclamation's review of the dam design. The meeting was attended by approximately twelve Reclamation staff plus representatives of the program team.

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
(11/6/26)

CV-SALTS Salt Control Program

Salt Management Pilot Studies

The CV-SALTS is continuing Phase I of the Salt Control Program. Phase I of the Salt Control Program involves the development of the Prioritization and Optimization Study (P&O Study). CV-SALTS consultants are currently working with six Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSA) on a planning level feasibility analysis of salinity management approaches in three pilot studies areas. The three initial pilot study areas are Western Kings, Kaweah, and Kern. The Six participating GSAs are, McMullin Area, North Fork Kings, East Kaweah, Greater Kaweah, Mid-Kaweah, North Kern Water Storage District.

The Goal of the Pilot Study is to identify practical alternatives for desalination and brine management. The study includes analysis of reverse osmosis desalination on both individual wells and largescale centralized treatment systems. The study examines regional brine management alternatives such as the use of evaporation ponds as well as brine reuse on salt tolerant crops. The pilot studies are intended to determine the feasibility of various salinity management alternatives including treatments and disposal options. Additional pilot studies are likely to be identified for future analysis.

Long-term Governance and Funding

Regardless of the salinity management alternatives selected, salinity management in the Central Valley will require significant resources to implement. Securing the necessary funding will require investments by many sources including state and federal government funding. In order to secure such funding project proponents will need an appropriate governance structure to collect and administer the funds. The Central Valley Salinity Coalition (CVSC) is working to develop options for the long-term governance and funding of salinity management projects for the Central Valley.

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. In November, the VWC will release the draft Delta Mendota Basin's MZIP for review before it is finalized. This document will establish the regulatory requirements for all participants in the Management Zone.

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TO: Chris White, Executive Director, SJRECWA
FROM: Dominic DiMare, Partner, Arc Strategies
DATE: November 2, 2026
RE: Report for October 2026 - California General Election Outlook –

October was a quiet month with the Legislature in recess and the Governor in the third to last month of his tenure. Gavic Newsom has for all intensive purposes moved on to the next phase of his career which likely involves a run for President in the 2028 election. Every legislator was on the campaign trail this month with some facing dire election day consequences. As we near the election we have provided an analysis of the upcoming election. In the days that follow the election we will produce an analysis of the election day outcomes that are known and reports on the races that are too close to call. It is important to note that there will be several high-profile races where the outcome will be unknown for up to several weeks.

It is possible that the Legislature will be called back into Special Session after the election to address issues around regulating Artificial Intelligence. The Governor sees it as an important issue in the upcoming presidential race and there is a growing concern within the Legislature that more needs to be done to address some of the seminal economic issues associated with AI.

Summary

- **Governor:** Xavier Becerra (D) is a heavy favorite over Steve Hilton (R), leading 60%–33% in Emerson's October 17–19 poll and 58%–33% in the latest Berkeley IGS poll.
- **Legislature:** Democrats hold 60 of 80 Assembly seats and 30 of 40 Senate seats. Republicans need a net gain of seven Assembly or four Senate seats to break the supermajority. With Democrats on offense in several GOP-held seats, I expect both supermajorities to survive.
- **Where policy will shift:** The bigger story is inside the Democratic caucus. Tech- and business-funded super PACs (Grow California and California Leads) have spent more than $34 million on legislative races this year, mostly backing more moderate Democrats. AD 68, SD 26 and AD 12 on your list are among the nine most expensive legislative races in the state.
- **Ballot measures:** There are 14 statewide propositions, including the Prop. 40 billionaire tax and two countermeasures (Props. 41 and 42), a permanent extension of the high-earner income tax (Prop. 3), and an environmental-review reform (Prop. 45).

Governor: Becerra (D) vs. Hilton (R)

Outlook: Strong Democratic advantage. Becerra finished first in the June primary with 28%. Independents favor him by 10 points in the Emerson poll. Hilton is running on cost of living, proposing to eliminate state income tax on the first $150,000 of earnings and to build "10 new cities." Becerra is emphasizing affordability, housing and opposition to the Trump administration. Both oppose Prop. 40.

Other Statewide Offices

Office	Matchup	Outlook
Lieutenant Governor	Fiona Ma (D) vs. Gloria Romero (R)	Ma favored.
Secretary of State	Shirley Weber (D)* vs. Don Wagner (R)	Weber favored. Wagner is campaigning on voter ID and slow ballot counting.
Attorney General	Rob Bonta (D)* vs. Michael Gates (R)	Bonta favored. He remains the state's lead litigator on vehicle emissions and against federal preemption.
Controller	Malia Cohen (D)* vs. Herb Morgan (R)	Cohen favored.
Treasurer	Eleni Kounalakis (D) vs. Jennifer Hawks (R)	Kounalakis favored.
Insurance Commissioner	Ben Allen (D) vs. Jane Kim (D)	**Competitive.** Kim led the primary and is running as a progressive; her proposals include state-run disaster insurance. Allen has the state Democratic Party endorsement. A late-summer poll found most voters undecided.
Supt. of Public Instruction	Sonja Shaw vs. Richard Barrera (nonpartisan)	Shaw (conservative) led the primary; Barrera has the Democratic Party endorsement. Competitive.

**Incumbent. Board of Equalization: Esparza (D) vs. Grove (R); Lieber (D)* vs. Pimentel (D); Gipson (D) vs. Sukaton (D); Umberg (D) vs. Bilodeau (R).*

Targeted Senate Races

District	Matchup	Key facts	Outlook
SD 26 (L.A.)	Sara Hernandez (D) vs. Sarah Rascón (D)	Open seat; $4.6 million race. Grow California and California Leads have spent about $3 million for Hernandez, and cardrooms about $500,000 more. Rascón rejects corporate money and is backed by the Working Families Party and California Environmental Voters. No Democratic Party endorsement.	Hernandez favored
SD 36 (OC/SD)	Tony Strickland (R)* vs. Chris Duncan (D)	Strickland led the two-candidate primary 53.4%–46.6%. Duncan is a former San Clemente mayor and federal prosecutor, on the ballot as "Anti-Tariff Attorney," and has the Democratic Party endorsement.	Lean R
SD 40 (Inland SD)	Mara Elliott (D) vs. Kristie Bruce-Lane (R)	Open seat (Minority Leader Brian Jones is termed out). The district leans slightly Republican but is trending Democratic. Elliott took about 48% in the primary; the two Republicans combined for about 52%. Bruce-Lane is a Carl DeMaio/Reform California ally who beat the establishment pick, Ed Musgrove.	Toss-up

Targeted Assembly Races

District	Matchup	Key facts	Outlook
AD 7 (Sac.)	Josh Hoover (R)* vs. Amy Slavensky (D)	Registration is 37% D / 33% R. Harris carried the district in 2024 while Hoover won by 7 points.	Lean R

District	Matchup	Key facts	Outlook
		Business groups, cardrooms and allied PACs have spent at least $2.3 million for Hoover; the Democratic Party has put about $1 million behind Slavensky.	
AD 12 (Marin/Sonoma)	Eric Lucan (D) vs. Jackie Elward (D)	**The clearest moderate-vs.-progressive contest on your list** ($3.8 million). Grow California has spent about $1.8 million for Lucan. Elward has backed moratoriums on "all things AI," including data centers. The Labor Federation, trial lawyers and SEIU have spent more than $1 million for her. No Democratic Party endorsement.	Toss-up
AD 27 (Central Valley)	Brian Pacheco (D) vs. Mike Murphy (R)	Open seat (Esmeralda Soria is running for SD 14). Registration favors Democrats, but Trump carried the district in 2024. Murphy led the primary 44.3% to Pacheco's 39.9%, with another Democrat at 15.8%.	Toss-up
AD 66 (South Bay)	Paul Seo (D) vs. Sara Deen (D)	Seo led the primary 26.6% to 24.6%. He is the Rancho Palos Verdes mayor and a former prosecutor running on public safety, endorsed by the Democratic Party, SEIU California and outgoing Asm. Muratsuchi. Deen is the Palos Verdes school board president and a dentist.	Lean Seo
AD 68 (Santa Ana)	David Penaloza (D) vs. Jessie Lopez (D)	**The most expensive legislative race in the state** ($5.6 million). California Leads (about $1.4 million) and Grow California (about $1.3 million) back Penaloza, who also has the Democratic Party endorsement. Unions representing public employees, nurses and CSU faculty have spent about $1.4 million for Lopez, the more progressive candidate.	Toss-up
AD 74 (OC/SD)	Laurie Davies (R)* vs. Sergio Farias (D)	Registration is 35% D / 35% R. Davies won by 5.3 points in 2022 but only 1.7 points in 2024. This is a top Democratic pickup target.	Toss-up
AD 76 (N. SD County)	Darshana Patel (D)* vs. Carrie Espinoza Villanueva (R)	Patel won the primary 55.7%–44.3%. No recent independent spending.	Likely D
AD 77 (Coastal SD)	Tasha Boerner (D)* vs. Trinity Hannaway (R)	Boerner won the primary 61.6%–38.4%.	Safe D

Other Races to Watch

- **SD 16** (Hurtado-D* vs. Gonzalez-R): Hurtado won by 13 votes in 2022 and is the only Democratic senator in a Trump-won district. Gonzalez led the primary 45%–36%.
- **SD 14** (Soria-D vs. DuPont-R): Competitive open Central Valley seat; the primary was roughly 45%–41%.
- **SD 24** (Erickson-D vs. Goldsmith-D): A $5 million race that splits over renter protections. The Apartment Association and Realtors are spending against Erickson and for Goldsmith.
- **AD 36** (Gonzalez-R* vs. Obeso-Martinez-D), **AD 47** (Wallis-R* vs. Namvar-D) and **AD 58** (Castillo-R* vs. Cervantes-D): These are GOP-held seats where business groups, including a CalChamber PAC, are spending heavily to protect the incumbents. Castillo won by 596 votes in 2024 and trailed Cervantes 45.5%–54.5% in the primary.

Ballot Measures of Note

- **Prop. 40 (billionaire tax):** A one-time 5% tax on billionaires' assets to backfill federal Medi-Cal cuts. It polls 52%–46% (PPIC). It is opposed by Newsom, Becerra and Hilton.
- **Props. 41 and 42 (countermeasures):** These would effectively void Prop. 40 and restrict future state taxes on property and assets. They poll at 51% and 54%. If either receives more votes than Prop. 40, the billionaire tax does not take effect.
- **Prop. 3:** Makes permanent the high-earner income tax approved in 2012, which is currently set to expire in 2031.
- **Prop. 43:** Requires two-thirds voter approval for citizen-initiated local special taxes.
- **Prop. 45:** Speeds environmental review for housing and infrastructure projects.

The Democratic Party supports Props. 3 and 40 and opposes Props. 41, 42, 43 and 45.

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TO: San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority
FROM: Invariant
DATE: 10/30/2026
RE: October 2026 Board Report

In General

Congress was out of session throughout October as lawmakers returned home ahead of the November 3 midterm elections. The House is scheduled to return on November 9, with the Senate also expected to resume legislative business following the elections. When Congress reconvenes, lawmakers will face a busy lame-duck agenda that includes fiscal year (FY) 2027 appropriations, permitting reform, and potentially a broader water resources legislative package. Federal funding is currently extended through December 11 under the continuing resolution enacted in September, leaving Congress with a limited window to negotiate full-year appropriations or another funding extension.

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) for Del Puerto Canyon Road. The House FY 2027 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Bill included $250,000 for the project, and Invariant continues to push for additional funding in the Senate bill or end of year legislative package.

Invariant also continued engagement on potential legislative opportunities to support the Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir project, including the reauthorization of water storage authorities under the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act. During October, Invariant monitored discussions surrounding a potential lame-duck water package that could include storage reauthorization, water recycling, environmental restoration, and other Western water priorities. The team has remained focused on identifying potential legislative vehicles and coordinating with congressional offices, including California's Senate delegation, to assess opportunities for advancing the Exchange Contractors' priorities before the end of the year.

Invariant continued preparations for the Exchange Contractors' upcoming visit to Washington, D.C., during the week of December 7. The team is developing a targeted meeting schedule with congressional offices and Administration officials to advance the Exchange Contractors' federal priorities, including Del Puerto Canyon Road funding, WIIN Act reauthorization, federal water infrastructure funding, and broader Western water policy issues.

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Lighthouse Public Affairs
October 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

- Met with Board of Directors and provided an update on ongoing efforts.
- Updated the Community Infrastructure webpage with new awardees.
- Send Community Infrastructure press release to media contacts.
- Drafted a Westside Express article on reforming the water allocation process.
- Drafted a Westside Express article on algae and golden mussels.
- Moved Q4 newsletter to final review before production.
- Maintained social media accounts on Facebook and Twitter (X).
- Monitored press and social media for mentions and discussion of ongoing projects and operations.

Upcoming Work

- Produce and send Q4 newsletter.
- 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.