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CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Directors
Lynn Maulhardt, President
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Mohammed Hasan
Steve Huber
Rachel Jones

General Manager
Mauricio Guardado

Legal Counsel
David D. Boyer

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, September 9, 2026, 12:00 p.m.
UWCD Headquarters, First Floor, Board Room
1701 N. Lombard Street, Oxnard, CA 93030

ROLL CALL

Present: Directors Ford, Hasan, Huber, and Kimball

Absent: Jones, Keeling, and Maulhardt

1. FIRST OPEN SESSION 12:00 P.M.

1.1 Appointment of President Pro Tempore for the September 9, 2026, Regular Board Meeting

Action: **M/S/C** (Huber/Hasan) In the absence of the President and Vice President, appoint Secretary/Treasurer Gordon Kimball to serve as President Pro Tempore for the September 9, 2026, Regular Board Meeting.

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

1.2 Public Comment: None

1.3 Executive (Closed) Session: 12:04 p.m.

The Board will discuss matters outlined in the attached Executive (Closed) Session Agenda (Exhibit A).

2. SECOND OPEN SESSION AND CALL TO ORDER 1:02 P.M.

2.1 Pledge of Allegiance: President Pro Tempore Director Kimball

2.2 Public Comment: None

2.3 Approval of Agenda

Action: M/S/C (Hasan/Huber) to approve the Agenda.

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

2.4 Oral Report Regarding Executive (Closed) Session

District Legal Counsel David Boyer stated there was no reportable action.

2.5 Board Members' Activities Report

Received and filed.

Director Huber let the Board know that he was elected to be ACWA's Vice Chair of Region 5's Board of Directors.

2.6 General Manager's Report

Received and filed.

Legislative Task Force Report given to Board members.

The Grant Task Force presented a quarterly review. Received and filed.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

Action: M/S/C (Huber/Hasan) to approve the Consent Calendar.

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

3.1 Approve the Minutes for July 8, 2026, Regular Meeting and the September 3, 2026 Special Meeting

Approved minutes.

3.2 Hydrologic Conditions Monthly Report

Received and filed.

3.3 Investment Monthly Reports for June and July 2026

Received and filed.

3.4 Approved the District's Conflict of Interest Code

Received, approved, and filed.

3.5 Consider Cancellation of August Board Meeting

Approved the cancelling of the regular August 2026 Board Meeting.

3.6 Adopt Resolution No. 2026-20 Approving A Revision of United Water Conservation District's Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Salary Chart

Adopted Resolution No. 2026-20 approving the District's revised Fiscal Year 2026-2027 UWCD Salary Chart to reflect changes in California Minimum Wage effective January 1, 2027, and to accommodate a title change related to an upcoming retirement.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-20

4. MONTHLY REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT

4.1 Administrative Services Department Monthly Report

Chief Financial Officer Brian Zahn and Josh Perez, Chief Human Resources Officer gave a PowerPoint presentation; received and filed.

4.2 Public Outreach and External Affairs Department Monthly Report

Public Outreach and External Affairs Manager Tara Mullaly gave a PowerPoint presentation; received and filed.

Director Huber commented on the success of the Region 5 event and commended staff on their efforts.

4.3 Engineering Department Monthly Report

Assistant General Manager, Maryam Bral and Engineering Manager Robert Richardson gave a PowerPoint presentation; received and filed.

4.4 Environmental Services Department Monthly Report

Environmental Services Manager Marissa Caringella, gave a PowerPoint presentation; received and filed.

4.5 Operations and Maintenance Department Monthly Report

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

4.6 Recreation Department Monthly Report

Senior Park Ranger Bernard Riedel, Jr. gave a PowerPoint presentation; received and filed.

4.7 Water Resources Department Monthly Report and Update on Activities of Local Groundwater Sustainability Agencies

Water Resources Supervisor, Dr. Bram Sercu gave PowerPoint presentations; received and filed.

5. MOTION ITEMS

5.1 Adopt a Resolution Determining that the Rancho Temescal Property Acquisition Project and Authorizing the General Manager to Execute Associated Vacant Land Purchase Agreement and Associated Escrow Documents (collectively, the "Project") is Exempt from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15301, and Approving the Project

Action: M/S/C (Hasan/Ford) to adopt a resolution determining that the Rancho Temescal Property Acquisition Project and authorizing the General Manager to execute Associated Vacant Land Purchase Agreement and Associated Escrow Documents (collectively "the Project") is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") under CEQA guidelines sections 15061(b)(3) and 15301, and approving the project.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-22

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

5.2 Adopt Resolution No. 2026-19 Nominating Director Mohammed A. Hasan for Appointment as Independent Special District Alternate Member to the Ventura Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) for the Term January 1, 2027, and ending December 31, 2030, and authorizing submission of the nomination package to Ventura LAFCo.

Action: M/S/C (Huber/Ford) to adopt a Resolution nominating Director Mohammed A. Hasan for appointment as Independent Special District Alternate Member to the Ventura Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) for the Term January 1, 2027, and ending December 31, 2030, and authorizing submission of the nomination package to Ventura LAFCo.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-19

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

5.3 Authorize Award of Agreement to Construct the Vineyard Avenue Crossing

Action: M/S/C (Hasan/Huber) to authorize the General Manager to execute the construction agreement with Sam Hill & Sons, Inc. (Sam Hil l& Sons) in the amount of $6,106,190 for the construction of a conveyance beneath Vineyard Avenue to connect the Saticoy Recharge Facility to Ferro Basin (CIP 8018 Freeman Diversion Improvement Project – Conveyance).

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

5.4 Authorize Award of Agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc. for Construction Management Services for the Vineyard Avenue Crossing

Action: M/S/C (Huber/Hasan) to authorize the General Manager to execute the Professional Consulting Services Agreement for construction management and inspection related services with HDR Engineering, Inc. for the not-to-exceed amount of $539,900 to support the construction of Vineyard Avenue Crossing to connect the Saticoy Recharge Facility to Ferro Basin (CIP 8018 Freeman Diversion Improvement Project – Conveyance)

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

5.5 Authorize Award of Agreement with Rite-Way Roof Corporation for District Headquarters Roof Replacement

Action: M/S/C (Huber/Hasan) to authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with Rite-Way Roof Corporation (Rite-Way) in the amount of $360,000 to construct a roof replacement at the District Headquarters.

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

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:44 p.m.

I certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the UWCD Board of

Directors meeting of September 9, 2026.

ATTEST: Gordon E. Kimball

Gordon Kimball, Board Secretary

ATTEST: Tara Acosta

Tara Acosta, Clerk of the Board

EXHIBIT A
EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION AGENDA

1. LITIGATION

1.1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and Government Code Section 54956.9(e)(1) (two matters).

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2): one potential case. Existing facts and circumstances consist of receipt of a Government Claims Act claim pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(e)(3), which is available for public inspection pursuant to Government Code section 54957.5.

1.2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1) (four matters).

A. Wishtoyo Foundation, et al v. United Water Conservation District, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, Case No.2:16-cv-03869 GHK (PLAx).

B. OPV Coalition v Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency, Superior Court of the State of California, County of Ventura, Case No. 56-2021-00555357-CU-PT-VTA; Complaint for Comprehensive Groundwater Adjudication of the Oxnard Groundwater Subbasin (No. 4-004.02) and Pleasant Valley Subbasin (No. 4-006) Pursuant to Sections 830, *Et Seq.* of the Code of Civil Procedure; Declaratory Relief; Quiet Title; and Petition for Writs of Mandate.

C. United Water Conservation District v. California Fish and Game Commission, a California Public Agency, Superior Court of California, Los Angeles County (Central District), Case No. 25STCP01671; Petition for Writ of Mandate challenging the Commission's determination to list O'mykiss as endangered under the California Endangered Species Act.

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General Manager's Report

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Grant Funding Update

Funding Efforts

D. Fiscal Responsibility | A. Water Supply | B. System Reliability

- **FEMA 2024/2025 BRIC** (Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Program)
  - Sub-application submitted: June 5
  - Project: SFD Outlet Works Improvement Project
  - Award Ceiling: $20M
  - Ask: $20M

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- **FEMA FY26 National Dam Safety Program Rehabilitation of High Hazard Potential Dams (HHPD)**
  - Part 1/NOI submitted: August 24
  - Part 2/full application due: December 31
  - Project: Risk Assessment Analysis related to SFD Safety Improvement Projects
  - Ask: $350,000
  - Federal Cost Share: Up to 65%

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- **OLDCC FY26 DCIP** (Defense Community Infrastructure Program)
  - Application submitted: June 25
  - Project: EBB Phase 1
  - Award Ceiling: $20M
  - Ask: $4M

OLDCC

- **DWR DSCR** (Dam Safety and Climate Resilience Local Assistance Program)
  - NOFO estimated release date: September – December 2026
  - Project: SFD Outlet Works Improvement Project

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Administrative Services Department Monthly Update

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Finance Update

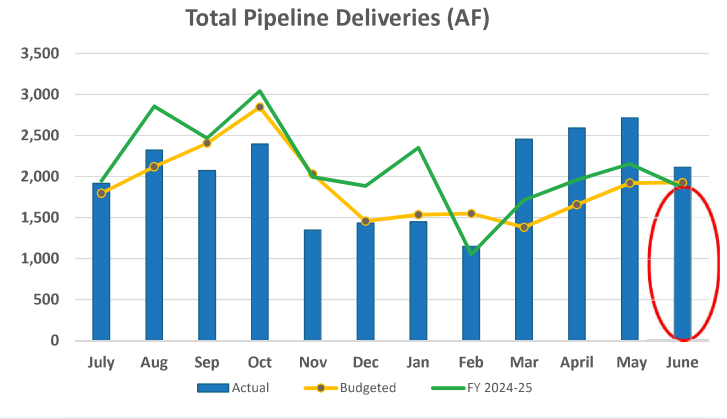


Brian H. Zahn
Chief Financial Officer

June 2026 Pipeline

	Actual AF	Budget AF	Variance AF	Actual $
OH	877	1030	-153	$1M
PTP	489	490	-1	$233K
PV	742	405	337	$33K

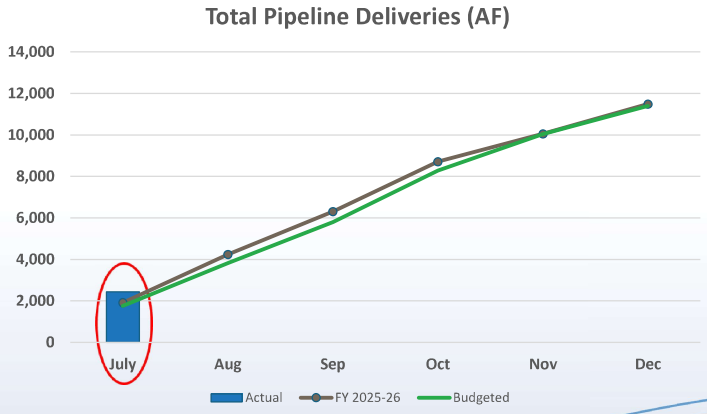
Fiscal Year 25-26 deliveries ended 6% above budget (FY25-26: 23,962 AF) and 5% below prior year (FY24-25: 25,286 AF).



July 2026 Pipeline

	Actual AF	Budget AF	Variance AF	Actual $
OH	1067	970	97	$1.3M
PTP	307	310	-3	$140K
PV	1,058	483	575	$378K

Year-to-date deliveries are 3% above budget (FY26-27: 2,432 AF) and 27% above prior year (FY25-26: 1,916 AF).



Finance Department



- District collections accounts accepted by the Ventura County Assessors office
- GASB's Proposed Infrastructure Assets Standard



Administrative Update

Josh Perez
Chief Human Resources Officer

Human Resources

- Attended CSDA Annual Conference in Palm Desert from August 24-27th
- Prepared annual open enrollment presentation for August 31st CalPERS medical overview
- Hiring Updates:
  - Facilities Maintenance Worker II
  - Water Resources Technician
  - Principal Water Systems Operator
  - Environmental Scientist
  - Environmental Services Field Assistant
- Upcoming Job Announcements:
  - *Assistant General Manager*
  - *Control Systems Programmer*
  - *Dam Operator*



CISA Cybersecurity Tabletop Exercise
District Headquarters
August 18, 2026

Risk Management

- Updated existing Ventura County Fire Department Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in coordination with legal counsel and insurance provider
- Led the coordination of CISA Tabletop Exercise held at District HQ on August 18th and assisted with exercise development
- Supported Executive Management with procurement and legal review of Managed Security Services Provider as well as SCADA Consultant
- Conducted annual hearing tests as part of Hearing Conservation Program and reviewed results with audiologist
  - Presented hearing conservation mandatory and recommended best practices to staff in the monthly safety meeting
- Monitor intelligence reports on recent cyber-attacks on the water sector and participated in security briefing on America's Critical Water Infrastructure Under Pressure: Cyber Threats to Water Utilities and How to Respond



Risk & Safety Manager Tony Huynh administered OSHA-compliant audiology hearing test to Lead Recharge O&M Worker Kelly Johnson
July 16, 2026

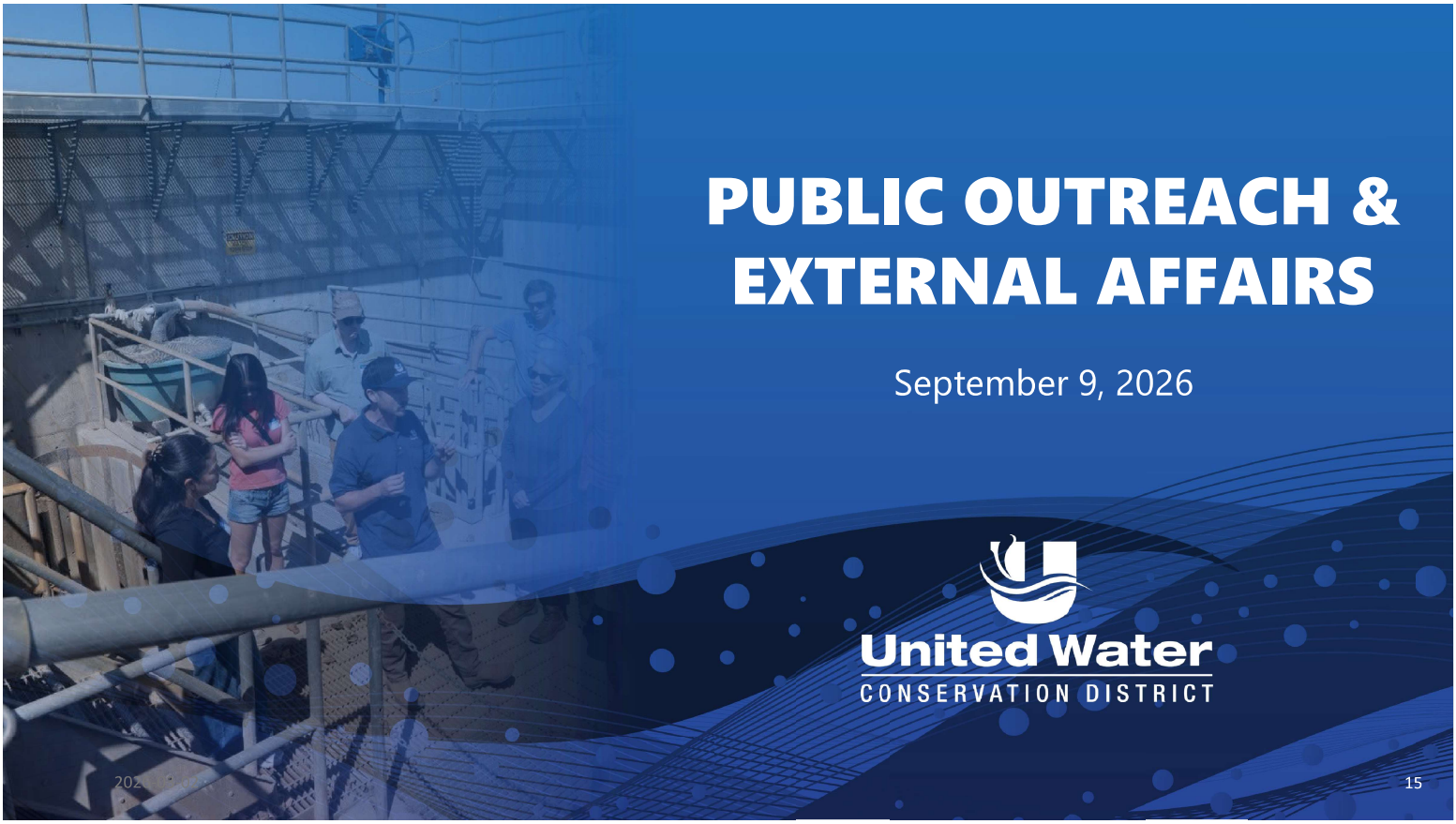
Technology Systems

- Positioned UWCD as a leader in emerging technology adoption by presenting at the California Data Collaborative Annual Summit on how artificial intelligence and advanced data tools are being used to convert District data into meaningful insights, improve information accessibility, and support operational decision-making
- Advanced District-wide e-waste cleanup and equipment lifecycle management by inventorying end-of-life technology equipment and coordinating a more consistent disposal process across District sites
- Improved District support coordination by consolidating IT and operational technology requests into one shared ticketing process, improving routing, visibility, reporting, and follow-up across teams









Recent Outreach Events

Tours

- Quarterly Tour (July 29)
- Grand Jury Tour (August 31)
- ACWA Region 5 Tour (September 4)

Events

- Oxnard's Stars, Stripes and Sounds (July 3)
- Hueneme Beach Festival (July 11)
- Moonlight Cinema (July 11)
- Boys & Girls Club STEM Day (July 17)
- Moonlight Cinema (July 25)
- Ventura County Fair (July 31-August 9)
- National Night Out (August 4)
- Downtown Oxnard Farmer's Market (August 20 & 27)
- Throwdown Cornhole Festival (August 21-23)
- Santa Paula Cruise Night (September 4)

Presentations

- Santa Paula City Council (July 15)
- VC Farm Bureau Presentation (July 16)
- AWA Presentations (July 21 & 22)
- Oxnard City Council Comment (July 30)
- WVCBA Presentation (August 10)
- Fillmore City Council (August 11)
- Ventura City Council (August 18)
- Piru Neighborhood Council (August 19)



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Upcoming Outreach Events

Tours

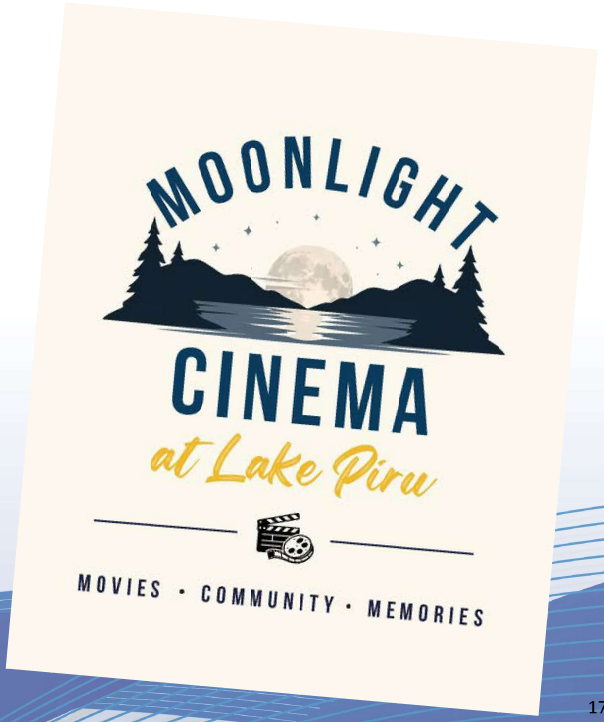
- Quarterly Tour (October 28)

Events

- Harvest Festival (September 11-13)
- Moonlight Cinema: Hook (September 12)
- VC Farm Bureau Agritech Fair (September 22)
- Banana Festival (September 26)

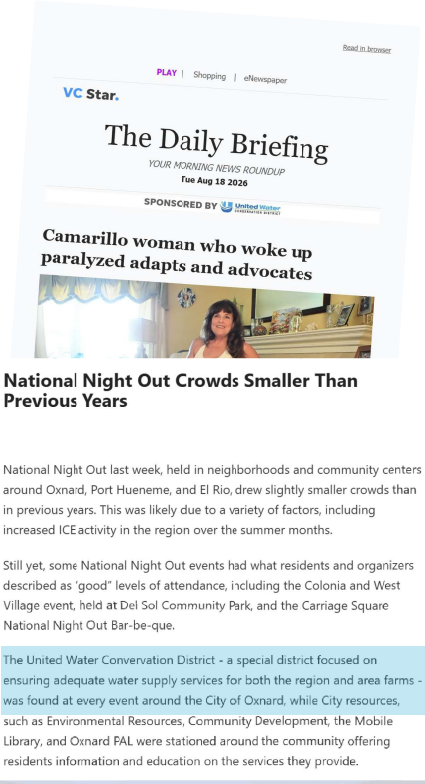
Presentations

- CoLAB Presentation (September 16)
- Port Hueneme Water Agency & City Council Presentations (September 21)
- Santa Paula Chamber of Commerce Candidates Forum (September 22)



Successes

- Bond material available in English and Spanish
- Recognition in local publication for being at all 12 "National Night Out" events in Oxnard
- Video production for upcoming United Water Bond Documentary
- Sponsored VC Star Daily Briefing
- Updated projects and facilities pages – Completed major website update
- Outreach truck wrapped and billboards at Saticoy and El Rio installed


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VC Star.

The Daily Briefing

YOUR MORNING NEWS ROUNDUP

Tue Aug 18 2026

SPONSORED BY United Water

Camarillo woman who woke up paralyzed adapts and advocates

National Night Out Crowds Smaller Than Previous Years

National Night Out last week, held in neighborhoods and community centers around Oxnard, Port Hueneme, and El Rio, drew slightly smaller crowds than in previous years. This was likely due to a variety of factors, including increased ICE activity in the region over the summer months.

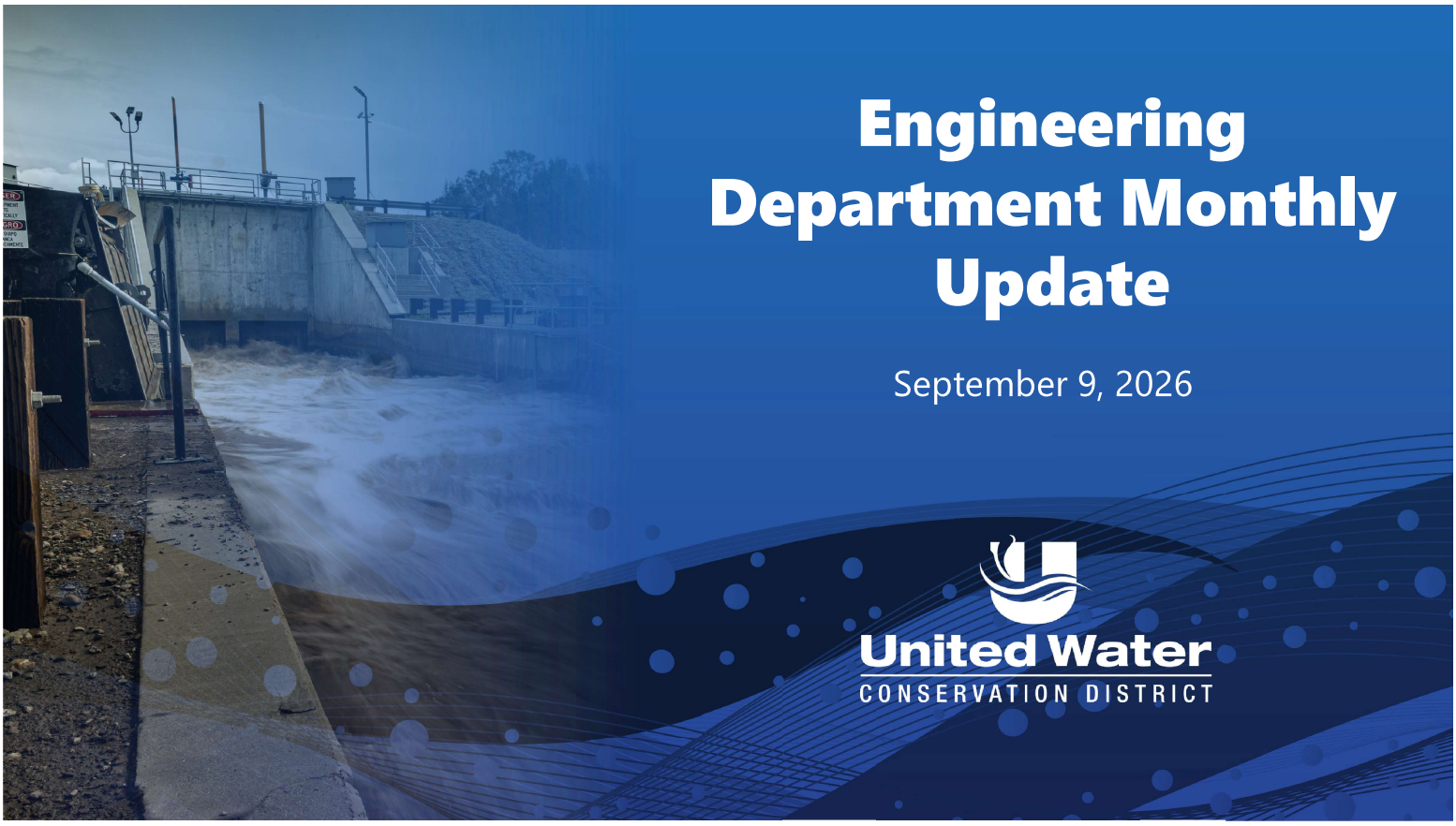
Still yet, some National Night Out events had what residents and organizers described as 'good" levels of attendance, including the Colonia and West Village event, held at Del Sol Community Park, and the Carriage Square National Night Out Bar-be-que.

The United Water Convervation District - a special district focused on ensuring adequate water supply services for both the region and area farms - was found at every event around the City of Oxnard, while City resources, such as Environmental Resources, Community Development, the Mobile Library, and Oxnard PAL were stationed around the community offering residents information and education on the services they provide.

Upcoming Initiatives

- Continue Bond Outreach and Presentations
- Organize Community Meetings & Open House
- Advance Water Sustainability Summit Experience Planning
- Support Moonlight Cinema Programming and Lake Piru Off-season Recreation Programming





Engineering Department Monthly Update

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Water Sustainability Project Status

Santa Felicia Dam Safety Improvement

- Outlet Works – Preparation for Construction Bidding
- Spillway Rehabilitation – 90% Design Complete

Freeman Diversion and Conveyance

- Denil Improvement Project – 60% Design Complete
- Vineyard Avenue Crossing (Noble 3 to Ferro Basin) – Construction Ready

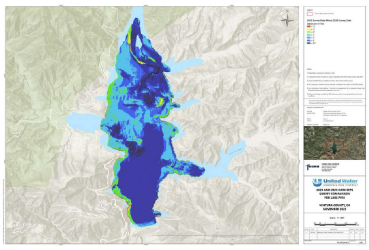
Extraction Barrier and Brackish Water Treatment

- Phase 1 – 60% Design Underway
- Outgrant Easement Acquisition Underway

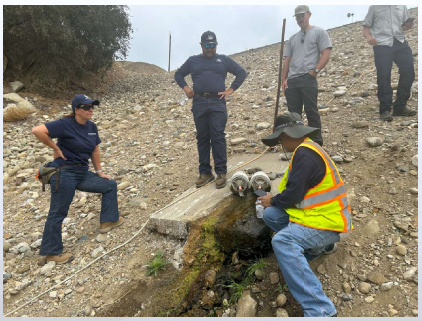
Santa Felicia Dam SIP

B. System Reliability

- A PCSA with DEA was executed in late July to conduct the 2026 Lake Piru Bathymetric Survey for $122,840
  - Last survey was conducted in December 2023
  - Special inspection of the Intake Tower
- FERC Dam Inspection on August 27



2023 LPRA Bathymetric Survey

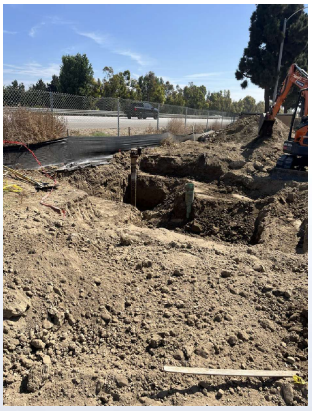


FERC Inspection on August 27, 2026

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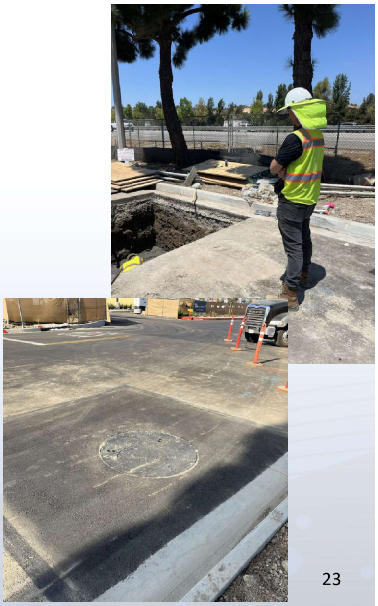
Pleasant Valley Pipeline

- On-site manhole work began August 20



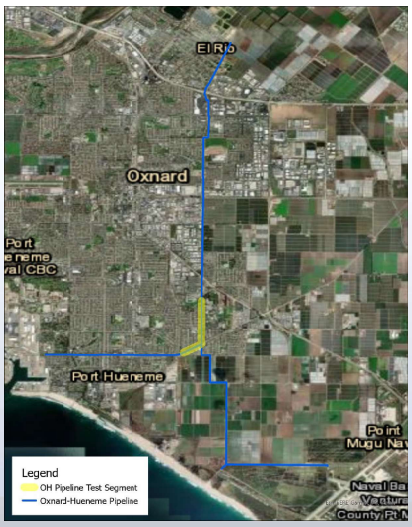


- Off-site manhole work completed August 14



Asset Management

- Field assessment of Cathodic Protection System in segment of OH Pipeline scheduled for October 5
- Primary test segment:





EBB Water Project Phase 1

A. Water Supply

B. System Reliability

- Potholing efforts have been completed
- Piezometer well work, starting TBD













Questions?

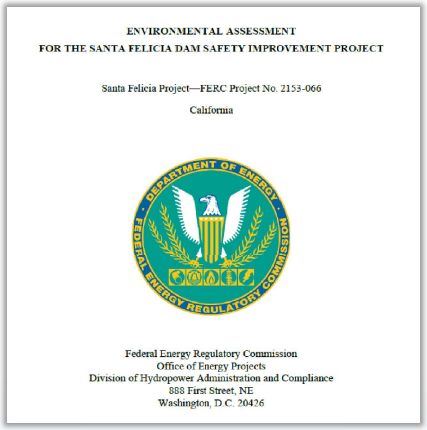
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SFDSIP Progress

In August FERC issued:

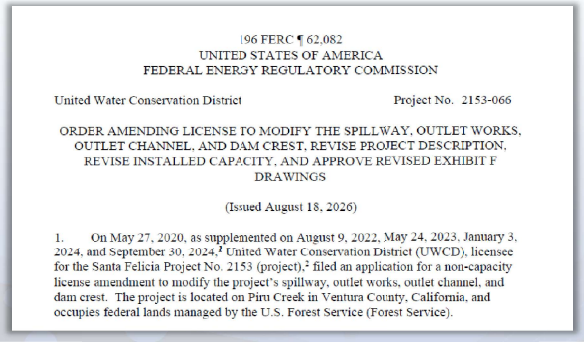
- Santa Felicia Project FERC license amendment
- Final NEPA Environmental Assessment
- Acknowledgement of proposed rule to revise designated critical habitat



ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
FOR THE SANTA FELICIA DAM SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Santa Felicia Project—FERC Project No. 2153-066
California

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
Office of Energy Projects
Division of Hydropower Administration and Compliance
888 First Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20426



196 FERC ¶ 62,082
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

United Water Conservation District — Project No. 2153-066

ORDER AMENDING LICENSE TO MODIFY THE SPILLWAY, OUTLET WORKS, OUTLET CHANNEL, AND DAM CREST, REVISE PROJECT DESCRIPTION, REVISE INSTALLED CAPACITY, AND APPROVE REVISED EXHIBIT F DRAWINGS

(Issued August 18, 2026)

1. On May 27, 2020, as supplemented on August 9, 2022, May 24, 2023, January 3, 2024, and September 30, 2024,[1] United Water Conservation District (UWCD), licensee for the Santa Felicia Project No. 2153 (project),[2] filed an application for a non-capacity license amendment to modify the project's spillway, outlet works, outlet channel, and dam crest. The project is located on Piru Creek in Ventura County, California, and occupies federal lands managed by the U.S. Forest Service (Forest Service).

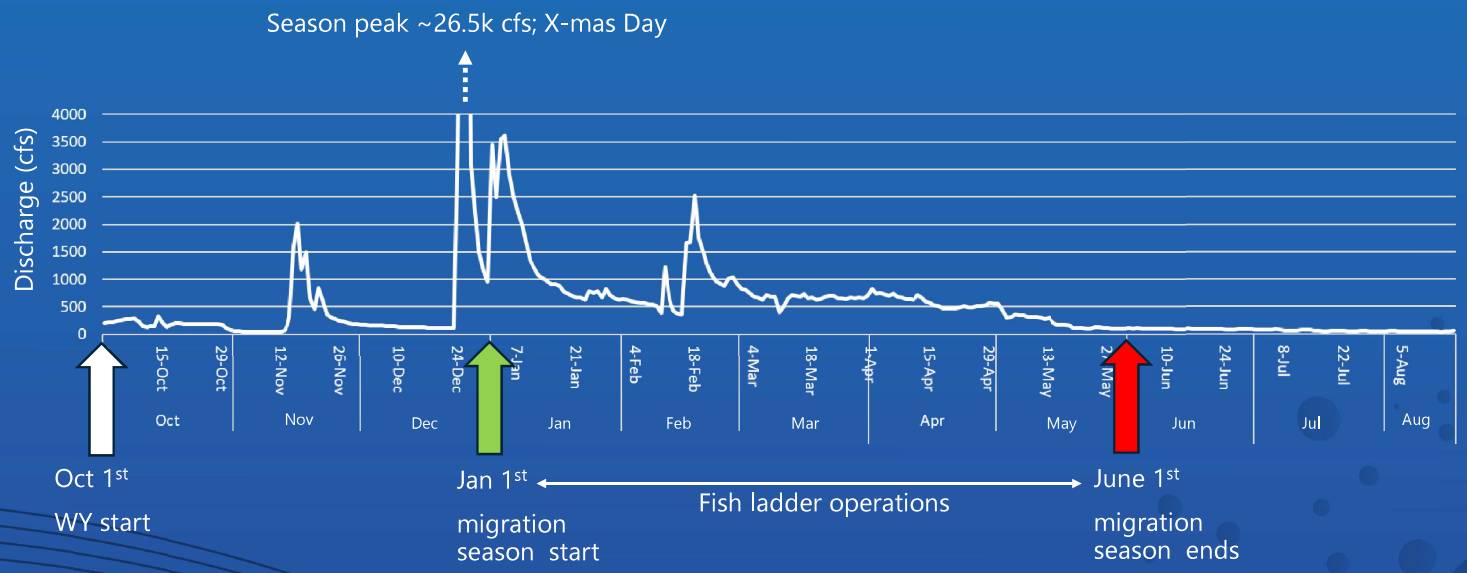
EBB Phase 1 – Environmental Status Update

Major Permits and Consultations

- NEPA – *Active, with the Navy*
  - CA Coastal Commission – *Navy Leading*
  - Wildlife Consultations – *Navy Leading*
    - ESA, MMPA, EFH – *Active, with Navy*
- *CEQA – In preparation*



WY 25-26 Santa Clara River Flows



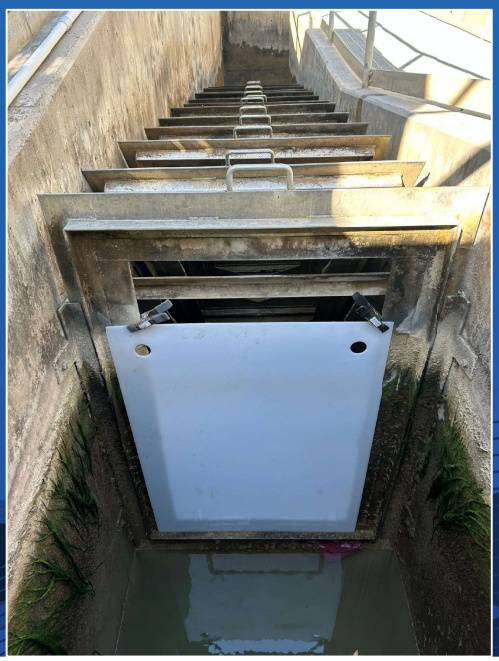
Freeman Diversion Daily Average Flows



Freeman Operations Improvements







Freeman Operations Improvements

Fish Ladder Supplemental Water Supply



Freeman Operations Improvements

Fish Ladder Supplemental Water Supply





April 13, 2026

- pilot pump installed

June 5, 2026

- permanent pump installed

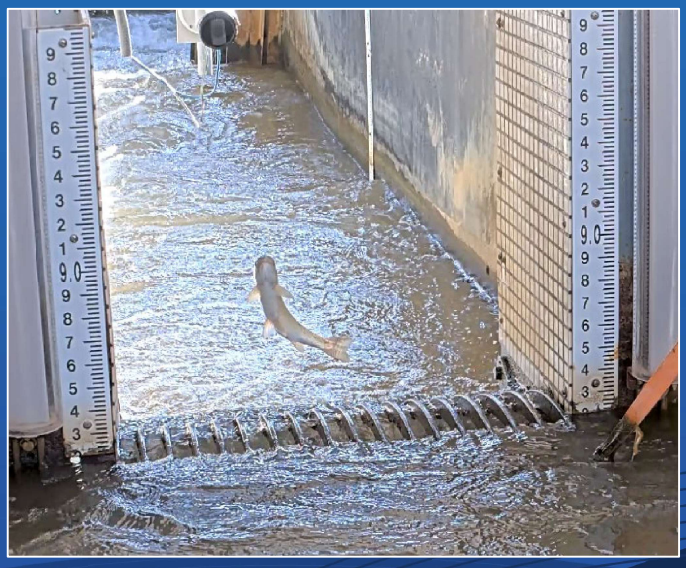
Fish Ladder Monitoring Results

Triggering Event	# Clips
O. mykiss	**11**
unidentified fish	1
bird	154
bug	74
debris	11
high water	289
no noticeable trigger	77
splashing water	169
cleaning/testing	228
Grand Total	**1014**



Fish Ladder Monitoring Results

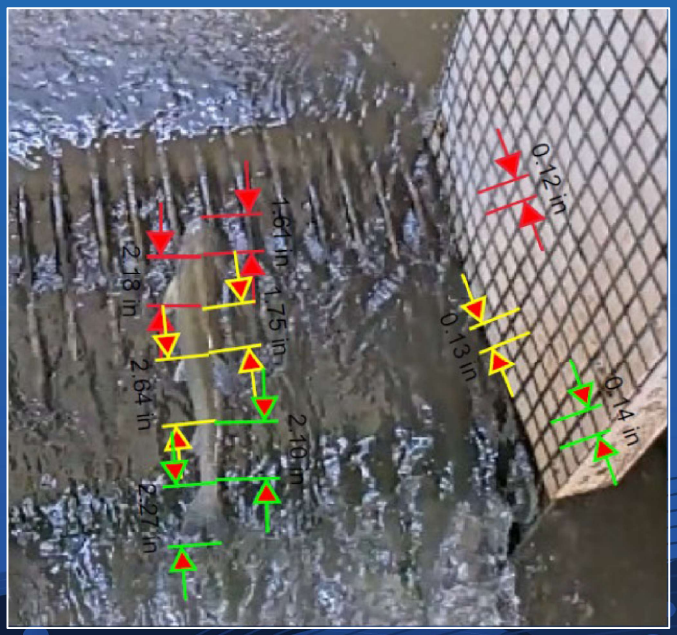
***O. mykiss* Events**	**# Clips**
4/23/2026	1
5/2/2026	3
5/3/2026	2
5/5/2026	2
5/6/2026	1
5/10/2026	1
5/12/2026	1
Grand Total	**11**



Fish Ladder Monitoring Results

Fish Ladder Monitoring Results





Pacific Lamprey

2024

- 24 adults
- 4 juveniles

2025

- 17 adults
- 110 juveniles

2026

- 21 adults
- 24 juveniles







THANK YOU



Operations and Maintenance Department Update

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Santa Felicia Dam and Lake Piru

Santa Felicia Dam



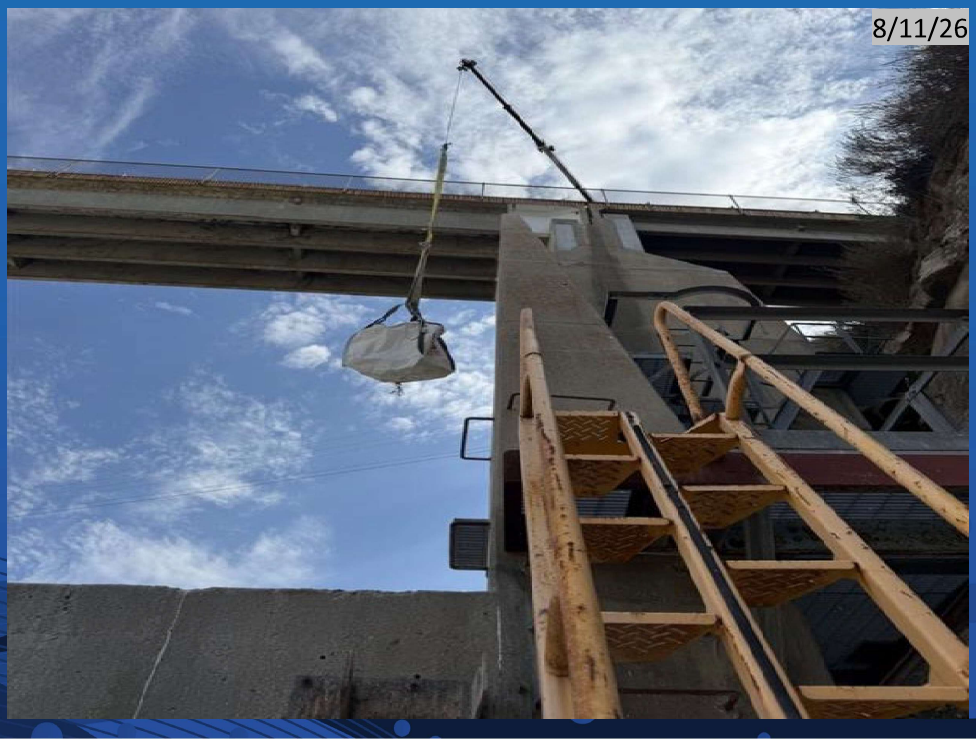
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Questions?

United Water
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Recreation Monthly Update

Bernard Riedel, Jr.
Senior Park Ranger

September 9, 2026

United Water CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Ventura County Fair



July 28, 2026



July 28, 2026

Holser Fire





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Holser Fire (continued)

- Started on the afternoon of 08/08/2026 at the gun range below the Santa Felicia Dam
- Spread northeast, burning 167+ acres
- IC issued a mandatory evacuation order, which included Lake Piru, so ranger team evacuated all campers and day use visitors
- Order was lifted late morning on 08/09/2026

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Additional Fishing Boats



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Rental Fleet

- Five (5) 20’ pontoon boats
- Seven (7) 16’ v-hull fishing boats
- Half of the fleet can be reserved in advance for all-day reservations, and the remaining boats are first come first served
- Reservation request form was created and added to the website

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August 15, 2026

Summertime overnight shifts - Rangers

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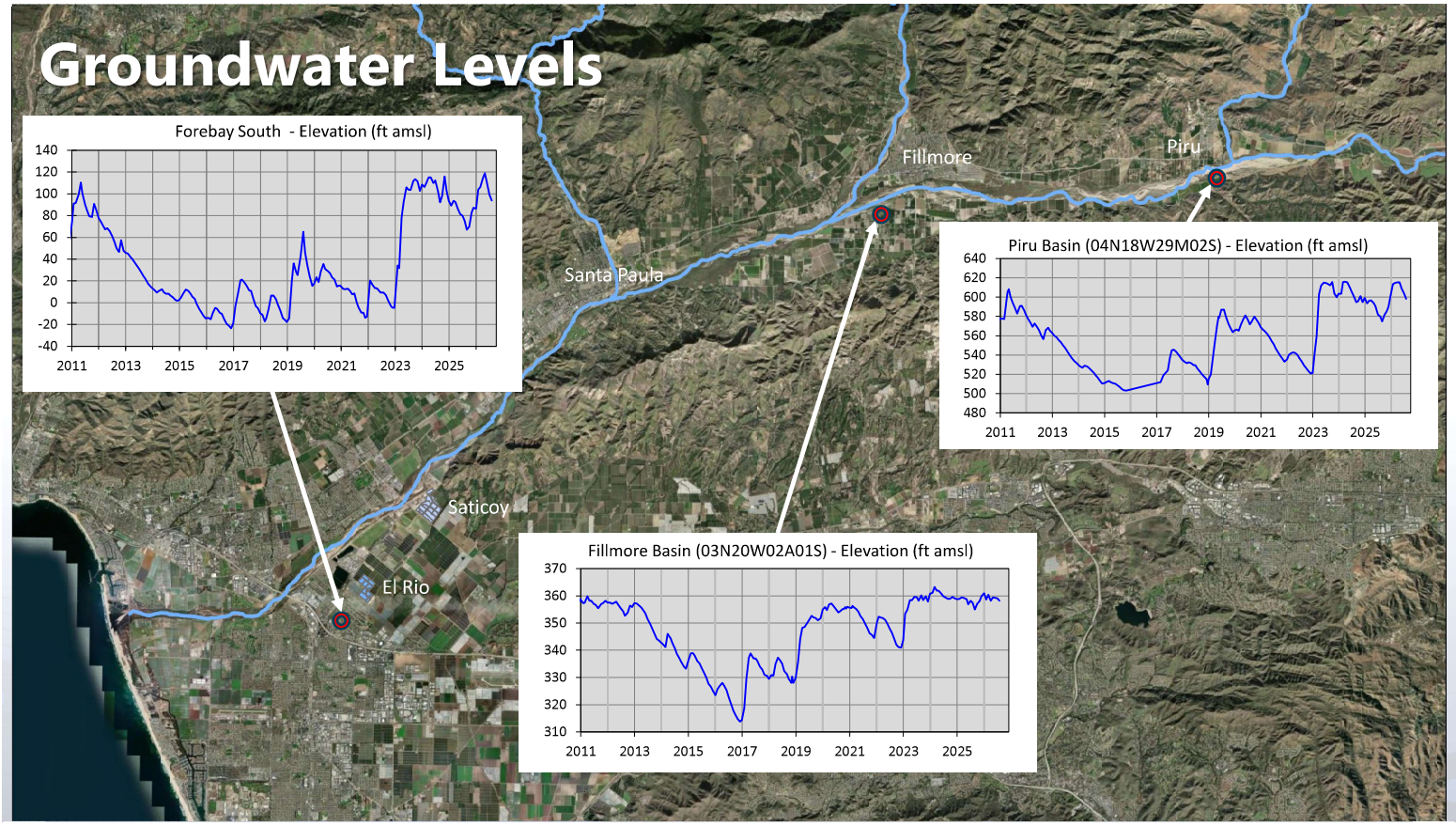
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Update on 2026 Conservation Release


Piru Basin Conditions
6 August 2026
Fillmore
Hopper Creek
Santa Clara River
Release: ~15 cfs
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Piru Basin Conditions
26 August 2026
Lake Piru
Release: 200 cfs
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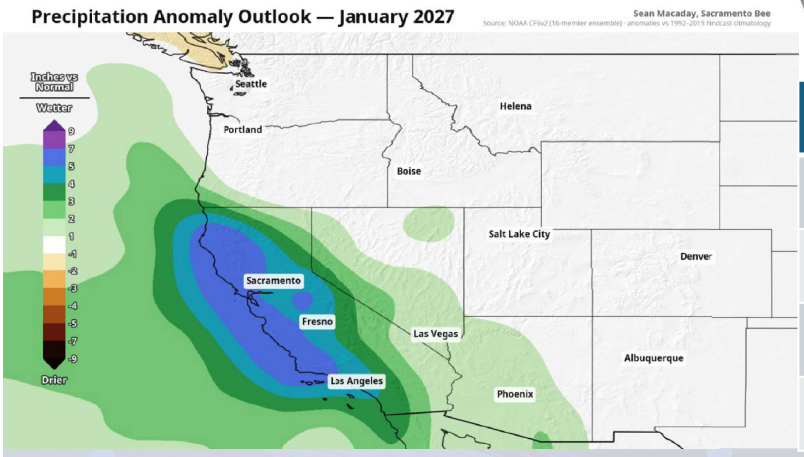
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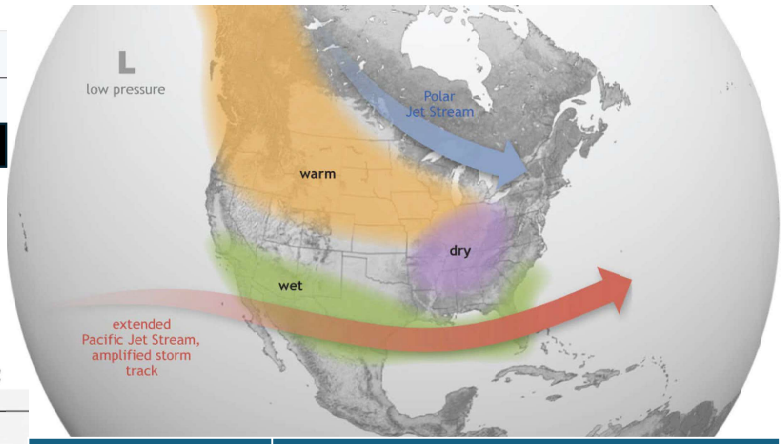
NEWS SPORTS POLITICS RESTAURANTS OPINION GAMES OBITUARIES FINANCE CLASSIFIEDS CAREERS

Super El Niño is projected to douse California. Here's how much extra rain to expect

By Sean Macaday

Updated August 19, 2026 8:58 AM | Gift Article





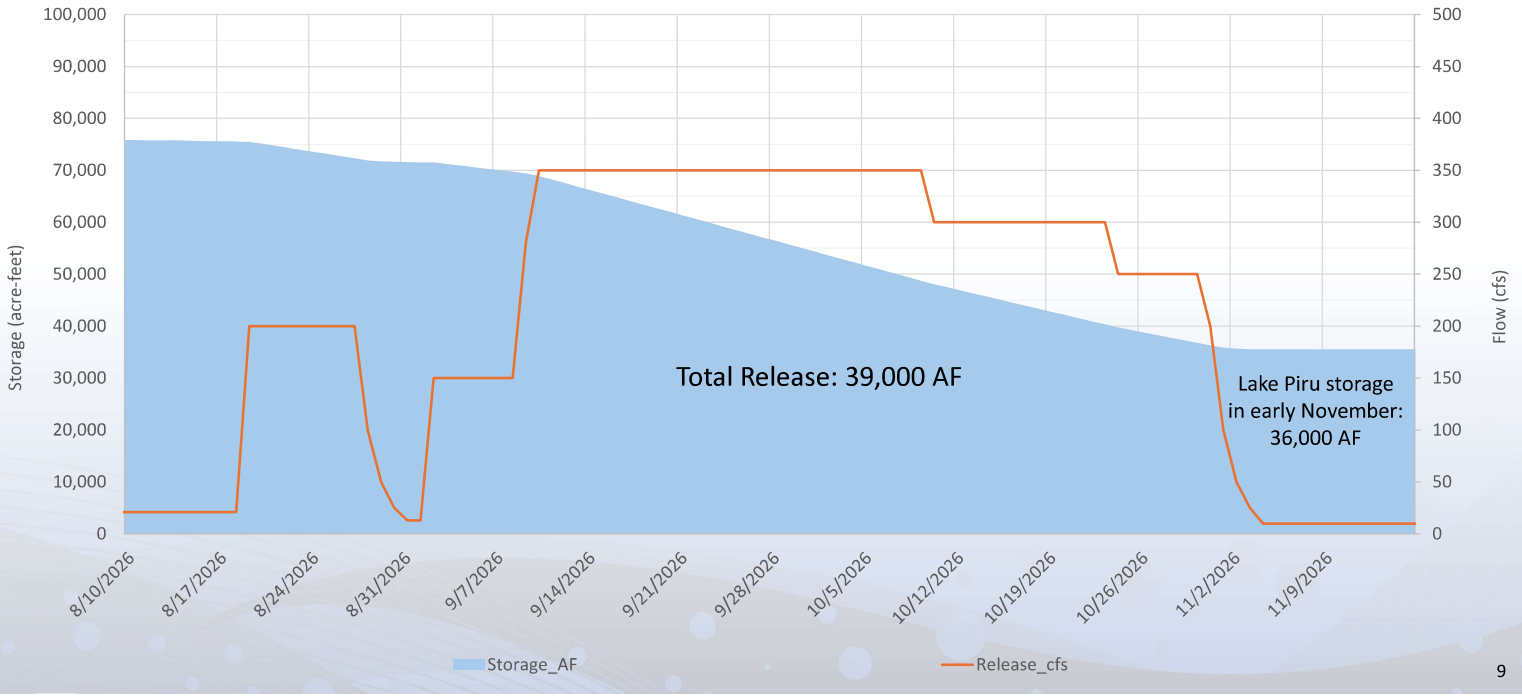
Water Year	Precipitation Total (inches)
1983	35.6
1998	44.8
2005	40.4
2016	9.6

Interdepartmental Coordination

- Baseflows not meeting surface water demands
  - Saticoy wells electricity and extraction fee costs
- SFD Valve Exercise: Aug 18
- Bathymetry Survey: Aug 31 – Sept 5
- Labor Day Weekend: Sept 4 – 7
  - Limit lake elevation decline rate
- Manage sediment flushing
- Algae accumulation on Micro Screens



2026 Conservation Release (in progress)



UWCD State Water to Remain in San Luis Reservoir

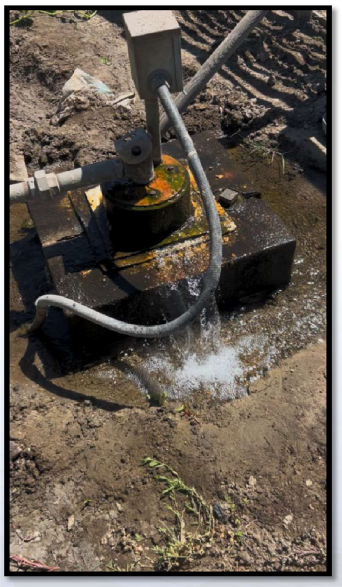
- San Luis projected to "spill" some carryover as early as December
- SFD more likely to spill
- Variance valid until February 28

State Water Sources	Acre-feet
SLOCFCWCD (potential)	500
Table A	1,418
Casitas transfer	2,250
Carryover (Table A from prior years not delivered)	1,035
Total UWCD State Water	**5,203**



Analyses, Findings, and Mitigation Options for Leaking Artesian Wells on the Oxnard Plain

Background and Study Objectives



Objectives:
- Evaluate extent
- Quantify leakage
- Potential solutions

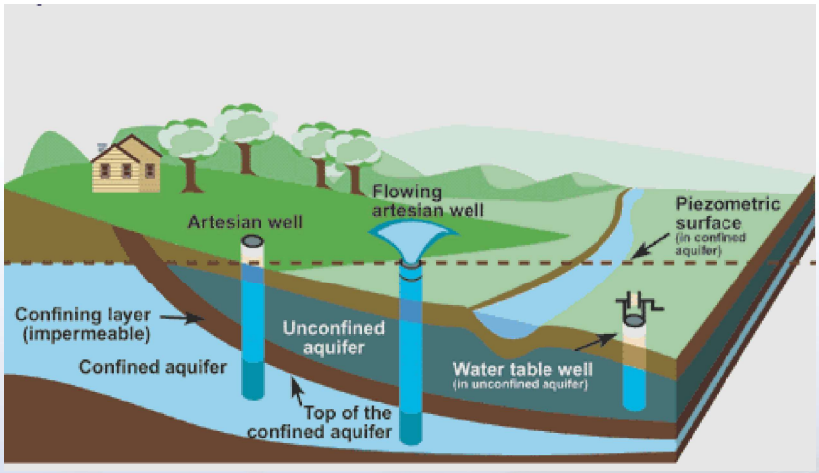
Field Investigation
- Well inspections
- Measure/estimate discharges

Analysis and Evaluation
- Evaluate leakage extent and magnitude
- Historic artesian conditions
- Primary well issues
- Mitigation/repair options
- Available funding opportunities
- County Well Ordinance

Potential Next Steps

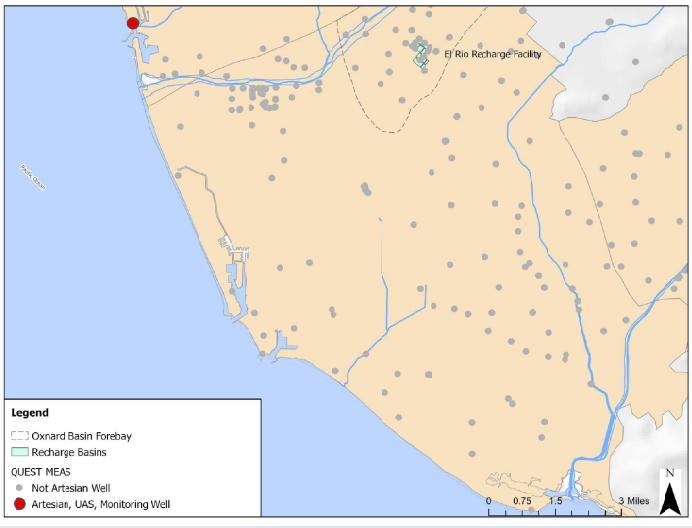
Share findings with stakeholders and partner agencies

Artesian wells can bring water to the land surface naturally



Source: Aquifers and wells | U.S. Geological Survey

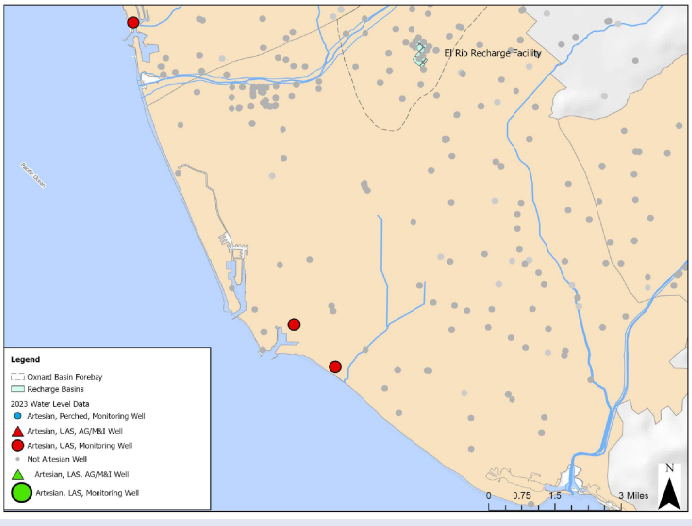
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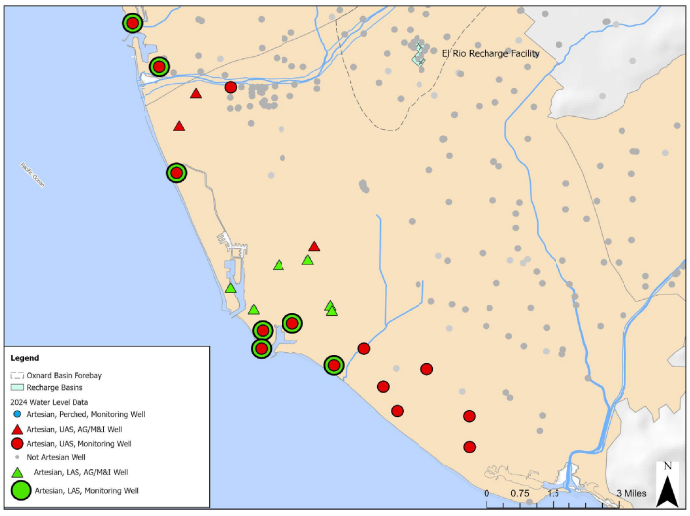
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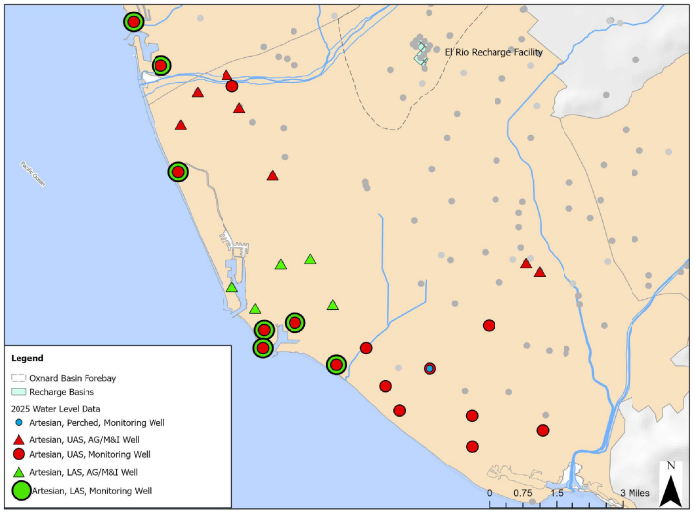
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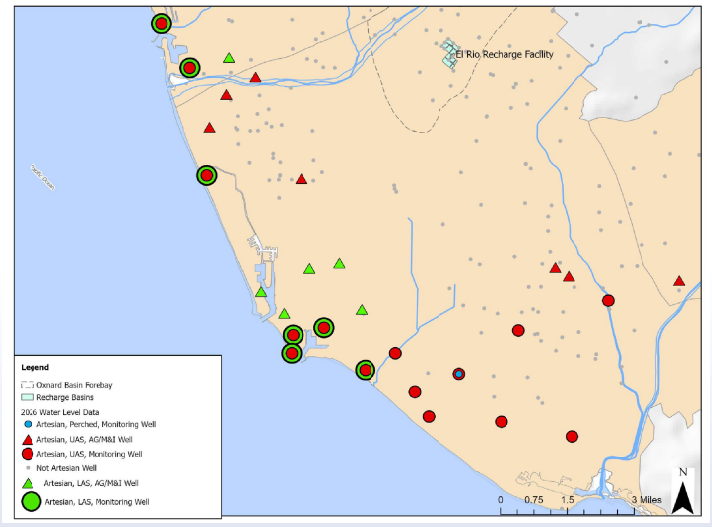
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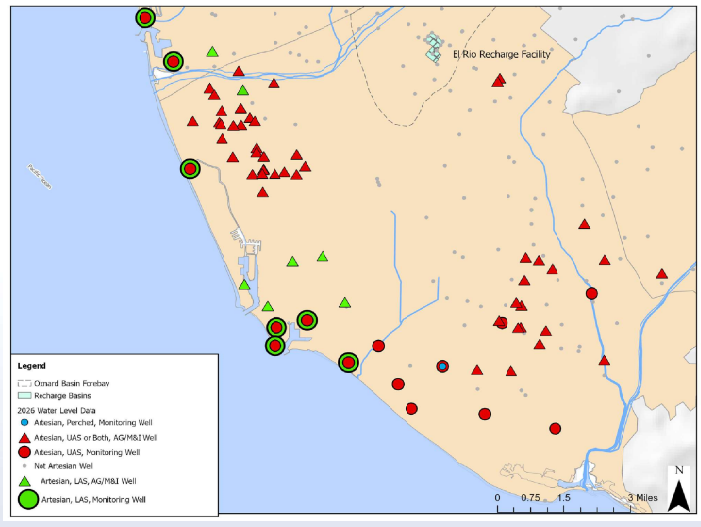
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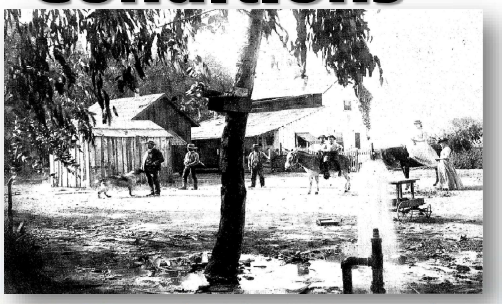
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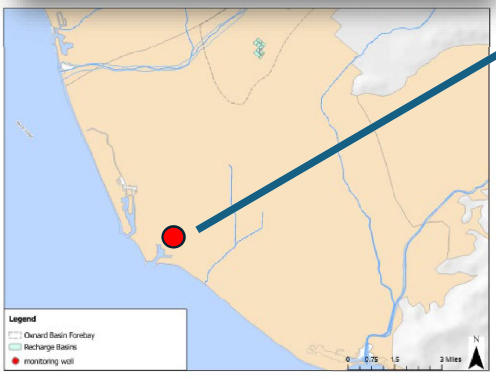
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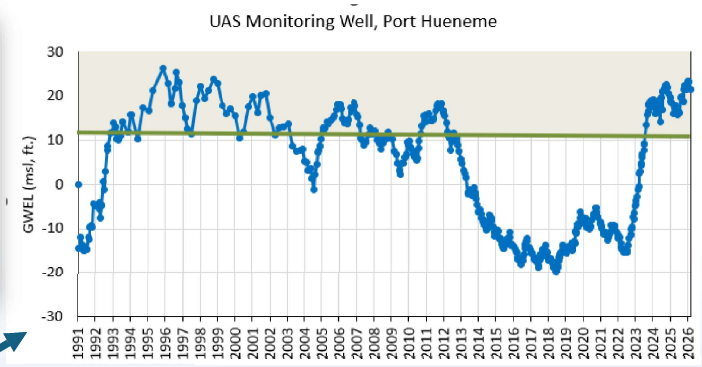


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Historic Periods of Artesian Conditions

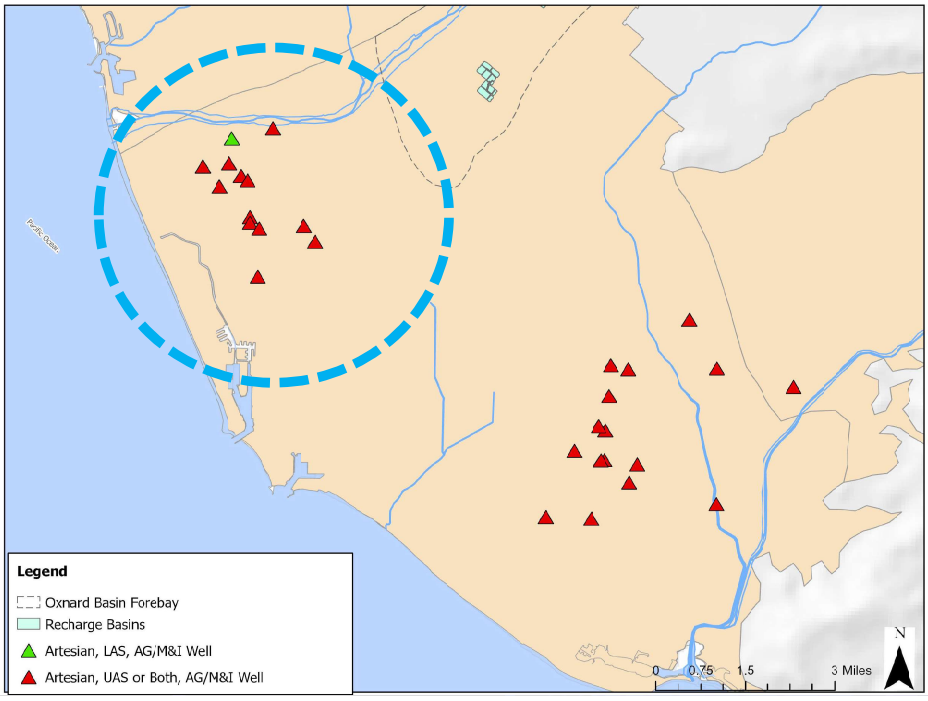




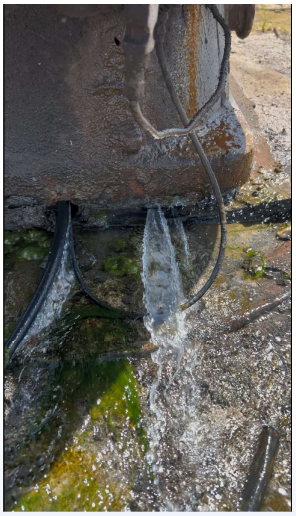


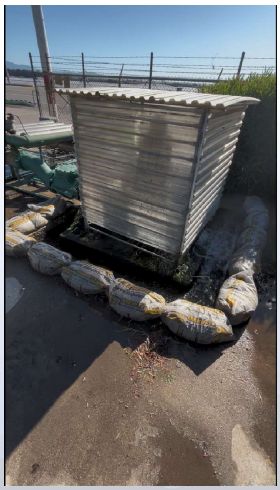


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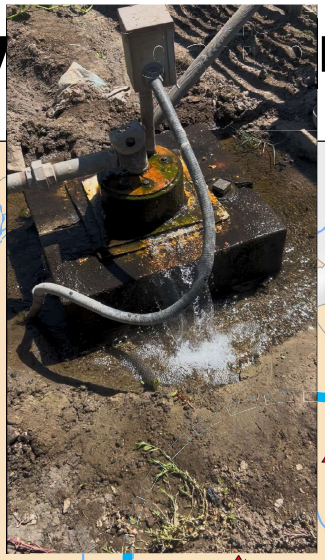
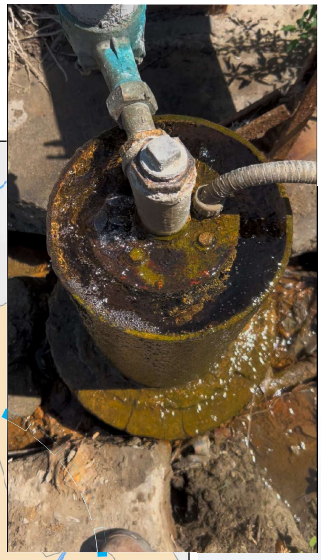









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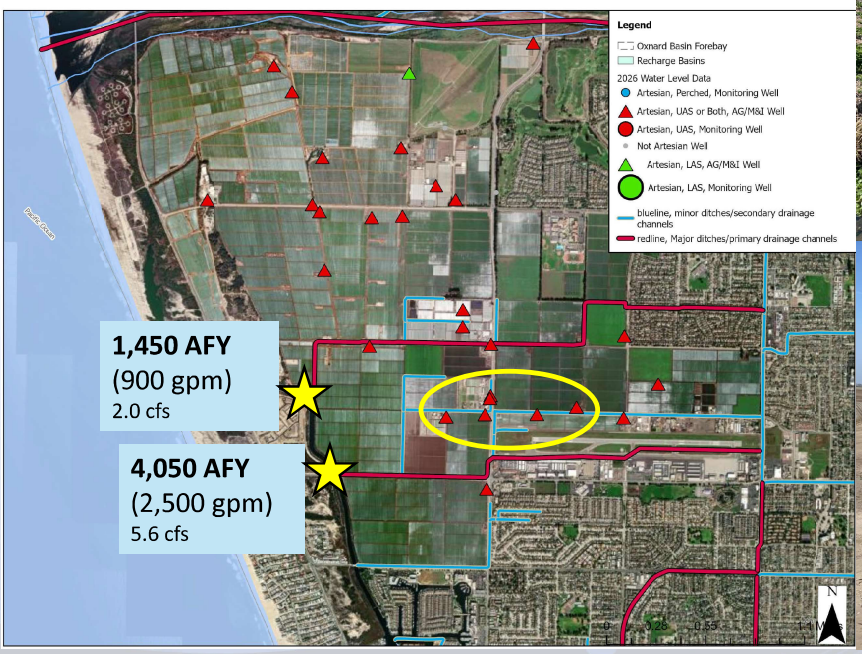

Legend
Oxnard Basin Forebay
Recharge Basins
Artesian, LAS, AG/M&I Well
Artesian, UAS or Both, AG/M&I Well
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1.5
3 Miles
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Flow Measurements



Flow Measurements



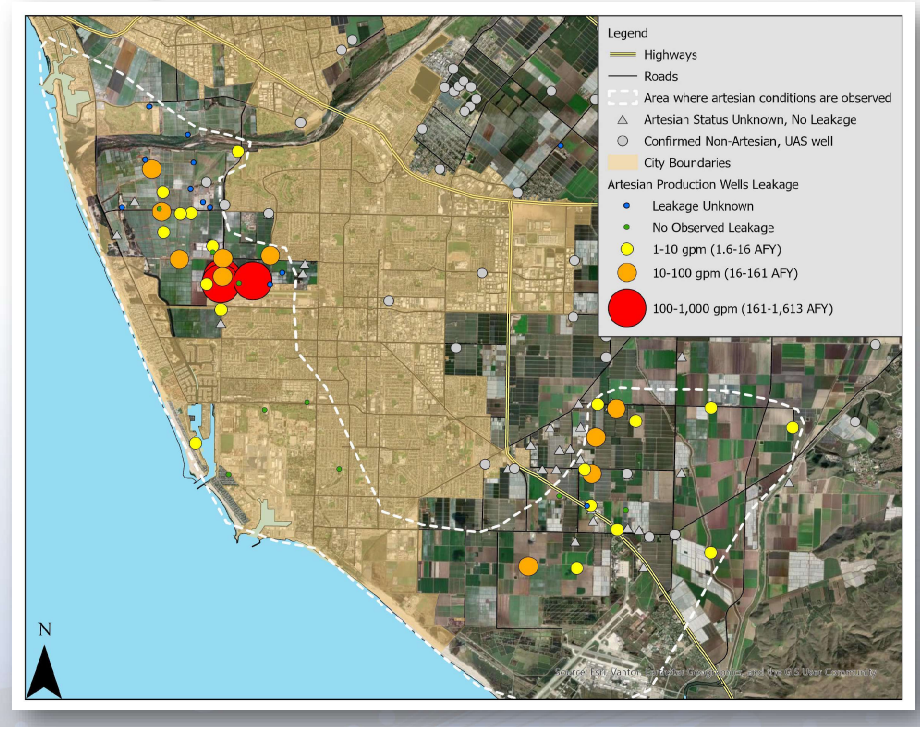




Total leakage from artesian wells is estimated at approximately 5,000 AFY to 7,000 AFY

About 60% of leaking wells were constructed before 1970, before the publication of California's first statewide water well standards (Bulletin 74).

<u>Groundwater losses</u>
5,000 AFY (artesian)
~2,000 AFY (avg)
~50,000 AFY recharge
~4% efficiency loss

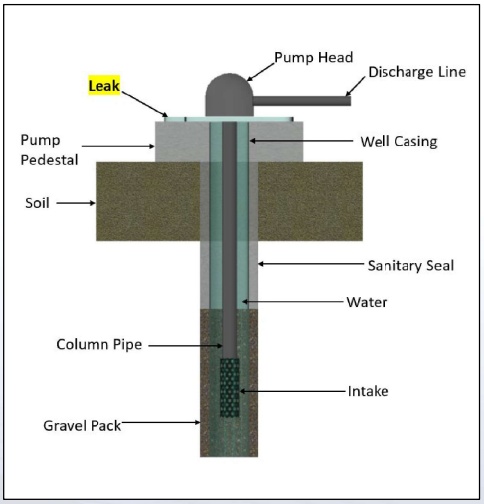


Ventura County Well Ordinance 4468

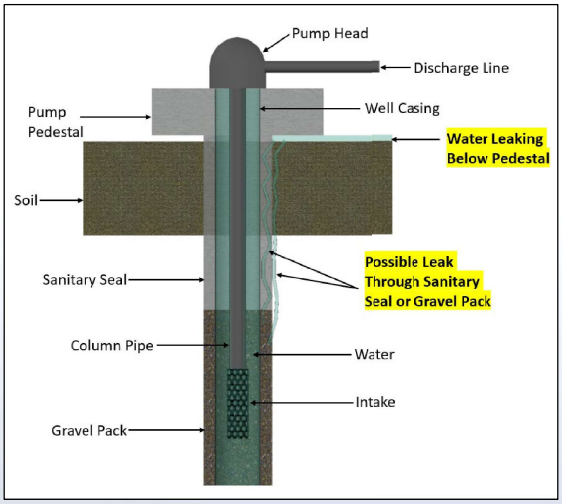
Sec. 4816 -- FLOW PREVENTION DEVICE

All wells having a history of flowing as a result of artesian pressure shall be maintained and equipped to prevent flowing due to pressure in the aquifer system. Wells without any history of flowing that begin to flow shall be repaired, or retrofitted as necessary to prevent flowing. Such repair or retrofit shall be completed within a period of thirty (30) days of notice by County. This includes flowing as a result of a failed casing or other deteriorated component, or the absence of a surface seal.

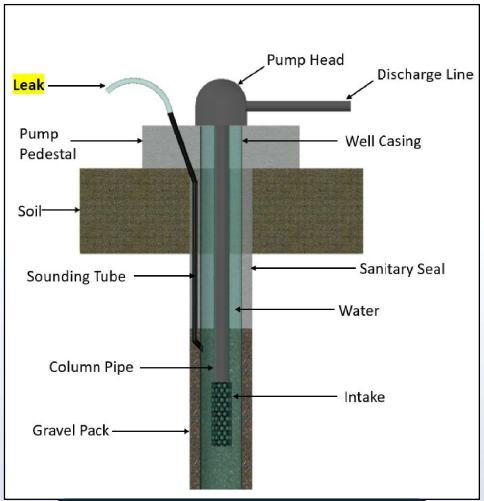
Primary Well Issues



Water leaking between pump pedestal and pump head



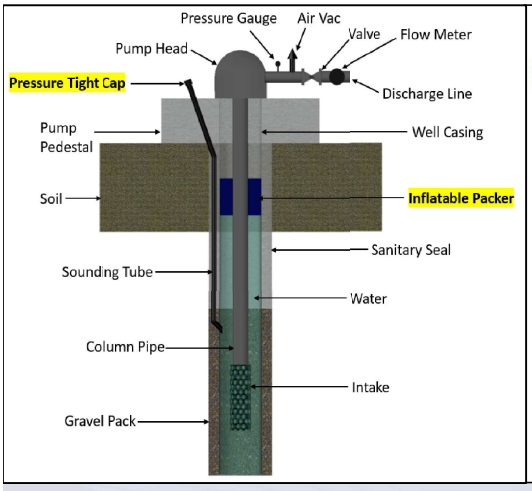
Water leaking below the pedestal



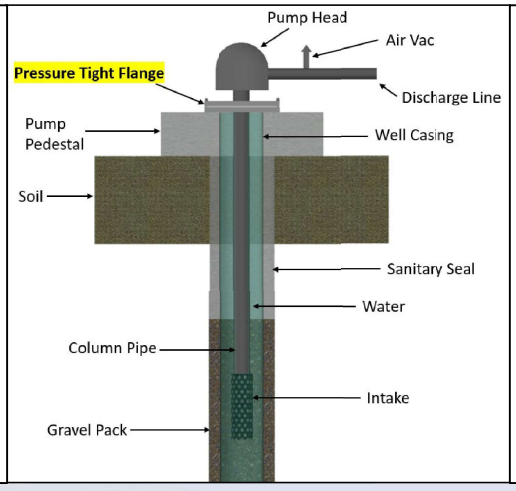
Water leaking through sounding tube

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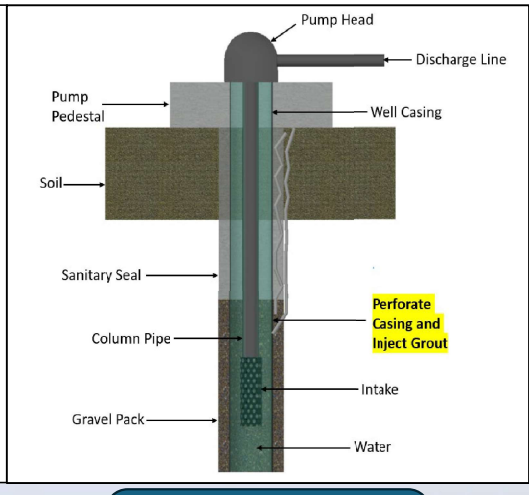
Mitigation Options for Leaking Wells



Pressure Tight Cap or Inflatable Packer



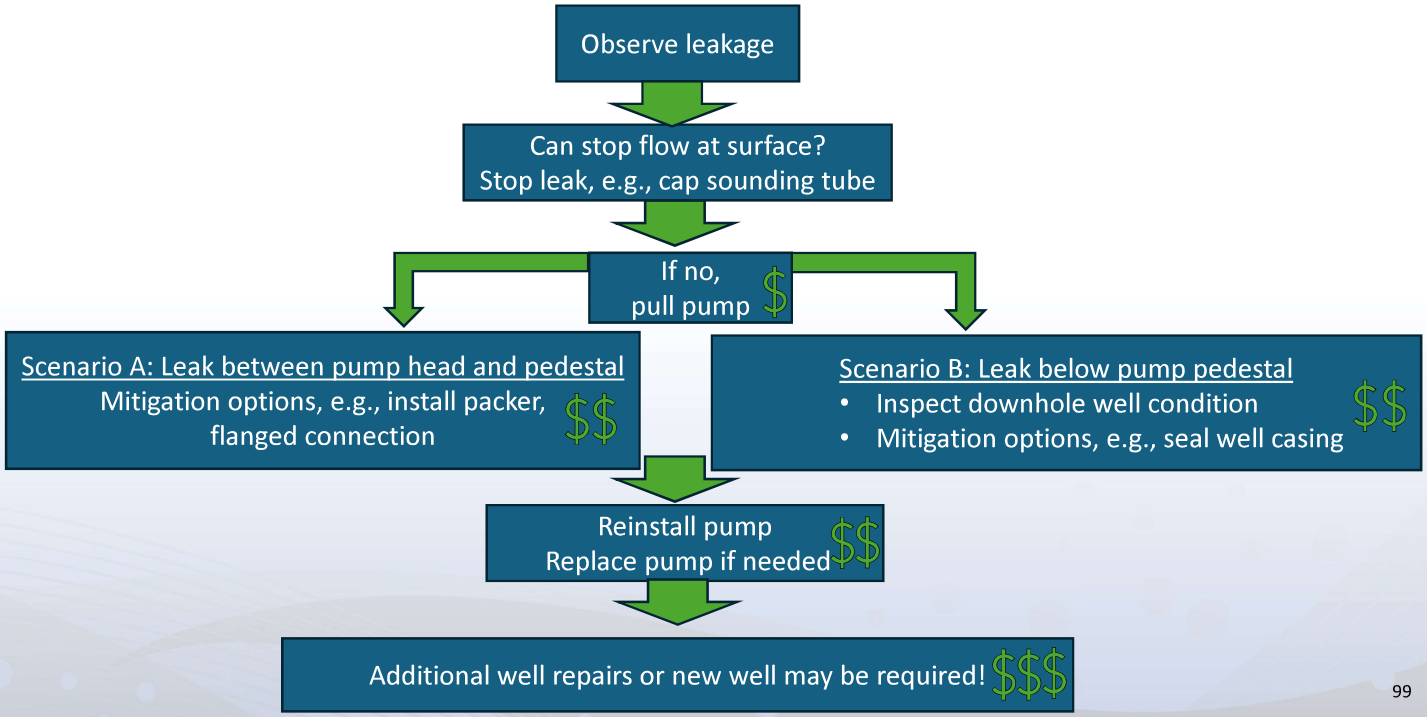
Pressure Tight Flange



Perforate Casing and Inject Grout

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Well Repair Process



Funding Opportunities



USDA EQIP

1) Pump and motor replacement:
   - Current payment rates for electric pumps ≥ 5HP
     - ➢ $6,451 base payment + $316/HP
   - Variable Frequency Drive (VFD)
     - ➢ $1,691 base payment + $75/HP
2) Well abandonment
   - $1,033 base payment + $1,164 per CY of material
   - Example: well 386 ft depth and 18" diameter ~30.4 CY = $36,000.

FCGMA Water Supply Sustainability Reserve?

- 1997-2001 FCGMA destroyed about 50 abandoned wells through Federal 319(h) Clean Water Act Wellhead Protection Grant, donated funds from other contributors, and supplemental funds from FCGMA.

What We Learned…

1. Artesian well leakage is widespread along the Oxnard Plain coastline, with the greatest impacting occurring in the northern Oxnard Plain.

2. Artesian conditions emerged following the exceptionally wet winter of 2023 but have occurred intermittently over the past several decades.

3. Estimated groundwater losses from leaking artesian wells range from 5,000 AFY to 7,000 AFY.

4. Most artesian discharge is concentrated in a small number of wells:
   - 13 wells (>10 gpm) account for approximately 95% of total discharge.
   - 3 wells (>100 gpm) account for approximately 70% of total discharge.

5. The Ventura County Well Ordinance prohibits uncontrolled well flows resulting from artesian conditions.

6. Mitigation options are available, but repair and implementation costs could be substantial.

Next steps?

- Coordinate presentation at FCGMA?
- Continued involvement or technical assistance?
- Other?

Water Resources Department and GSA Activities Update

SFD Safety Improvement Project

- HEC-HMS model calibration
- Hydrological Hazard Assessment
- Update Reservoir Operations
- Cost estimate for liquidated damages provision



Extraction Barrier and Brackish Water Treatment (EBB)

- Development of Monitoring and Reporting Plan ~ Prop 1
- Determine optimal pumping rates for EBB Phase 1 wells
- Researched geophysical data collection
- Compiled available land subsidence data and sources



Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (FCGMA)

- Submitted request to receive adjusted allocation for the PTP wells
- July/August monthly coordination meetings
- July 22 Board Meeting
  - New staff engineer and two internal promotions
  - CMWD Regional Desalter Feasibility Study for East LPVB
  - Adopted FY 26-27 LPV Watermaster budget
    - $57.50 Basin Assessment
    - $14.38 (UWCD service area) and $41.50 (CMWD service area) for Basin Optimization Projects

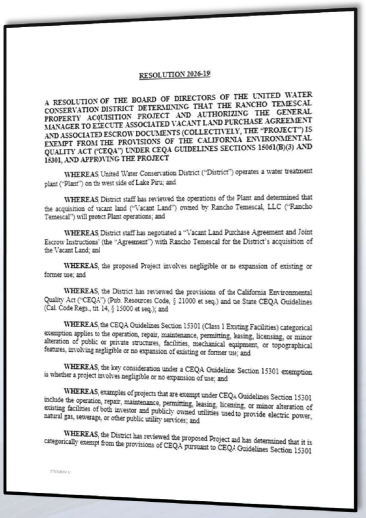


8. System Reliability

Motion Item 5.1

Adopt A Resolution Determining that the Rancho Temescal Property Acquisition Project and Authorizing the General Manager to Execute Associated Vacant Land Purchase Agreement and Associated Escrow Documents is Exempt from the Provisions of CEQA and Approving the Project.

1. **Resolution Authorizes General Manager to Execute Vacant Land Purchase Agreement and Associated Escrow Documents**
2. **Resolution Determines Project is Exempt from the Provisions of CEQA**
   - **Categorically exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 Existing Facilities (Class 1)**
   - **Qualifies for the California Code of Regulations Section 15061(b)(3) Common Sense Exemption**



RESOLUTION 2026-19

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT DETERMINING THAT THE RANCHO TEMESCAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE ASSOCIATED VACANT LAND PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND ASSOCIATED ESCROW DOCUMENTS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "PROJECT") IS EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT ("CEQA") UNDER CEQA GUIDELINES SECTIONS 15061(B)(3) AND 15301, AND APPROVING THE PROJECT

WHEREAS, United Water Conservation District ("District") operates a water treatment plant ("Plant") on its west side of Lake Piru; and

WHEREAS, District staff has reviewed the operations of the Plant and determined that the acquisition of vacant land ("Vacant Land") owned by Rancho Temescal, LLC ("Rancho Temescal") will protect Plant operations; and

WHEREAS, District staff has negotiated a "Vacant Land Purchase Agreement and Joint Escrow Instructions" (the "Agreement") with Rancho Temescal for the District's acquisition of the Vacant Land; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Project involves negligible or no expansion of existing or former use; and

WHEREAS, the District has reviewed the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") (Pub. Resources Code, § 21000 et seq.) and the State CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15000 et seq.); and

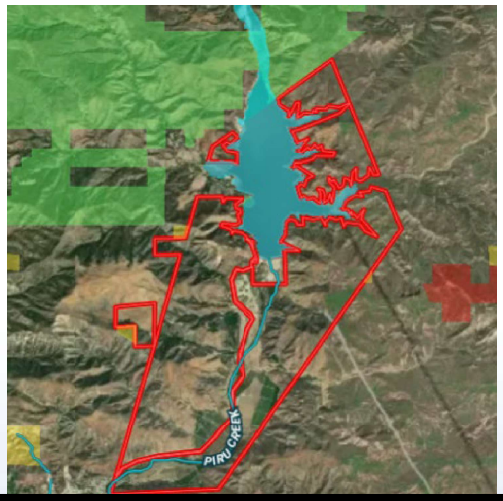
WHEREAS, the CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Class 1 Existing Facilities) categorical exemption applies to the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use; and

WHEREAS, the key consideration under a CEQA Guideline Section 15301 exemption is whether a project involves negligible or no expansion of use; and

WHEREAS, examples of projects that are exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 include the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing facilities of both investor and publicly owned utilities used to provide electric power, natural gas, sewage, or other public utility services; and

WHEREAS, the District has reviewed the proposed Project and has determined that it is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301

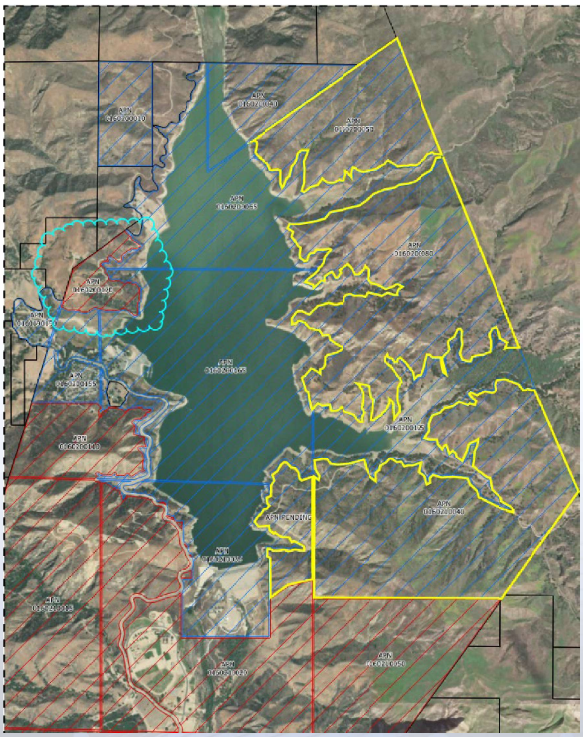
Rancho Temescal Sale Listing



Offer	Acreage	Unit Rate ($/Acre)	Tota Price
Initial Asking Price	1,292.06	$6,346.45	$8,200,000
Negotiated Price	1360.06	$5,514.46	$7,500,000
Final Price	**1378.00**	**$5,442.67**	**$7,500,000**

Property Acquisition Overview

- **Seller to Quitclaim Cattle Grazing Rights on APN 0160200170**
- **Seller to Retain Mineral Rights on Property**
- **Vacant Land Purchase Agreement**
- **Addendum (Exhibit No. 1) to Land Purchase Agreement with 14 Sections to Consider**



Vacant Land Purchase Agreement and Escrow Instructions

- Vacant Land Purchase Agreement reviewed by Legal Counsel
- Mutually agreed-upon Exhibit No. 1 terms reviewed by Legal Counsel
- Rincon Consultants to perform Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment over a forty-five (45) day period
- Ventura County to complete the review of Legal Description and Certificate of Compliance in two weeks
- Escrow to be closed no later than Oct 30, 2026

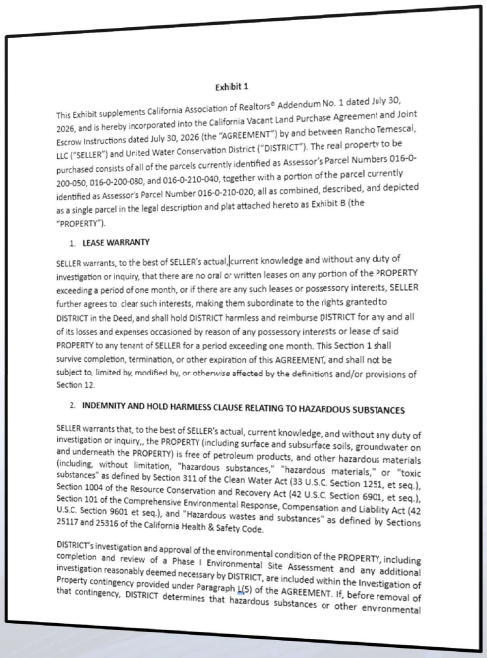


Exhibit 1

This Exhibit supplements California Association of Realtors® Addendum No. 1 dated July 30, 2026, and is hereby incorporated into the California Vacant Land Purchase Agreement and Joint Escrow Instructions dated July 30, 2026 (the "AGREEMENT") by and between Rancho Temescal, LLC ("SELLER") and United Water Conservation District ("DISTRICT"). The real property to be purchased consists of all of the parcels currently identified as Assessor's Parcel Numbers 016-0-200-050, 016-0-200-080, and 016-0-210-040, together with a portion of the parcel currently identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 016-0-210-020, all as combined, described, and depicted as a single parcel in the legal description and plat attached hereto as Exhibit B (the "PROPERTY").

1. LEASE WARRANTY

SELLER warrants, to the best of SELLER's actual current knowledge and without any duty of investigation or inquiry, that there are no oral or written leases on any portion of the PROPERTY exceeding a period of one month, or if there are any such leases or possessory interests, SELLER further agrees to clear such interests, making them subordinate to the rights granted to DISTRICT in the Deed, and shall hold DISTRICT harmless and reimburse DISTRICT for any and all of its losses and expenses occasioned by reason of any possessory interests or lease of said PROPERTY to any tenant of SELLER for a period exceeding one month. This Section 1 shall survive completion, termination, or other expiration of this AGREEMENT, and shall not be subject to, limited by, modified by, or otherwise affected by the definitions and/or provisions of Section 12.

2. INDEMNITY AND HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE RELATING TO HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES

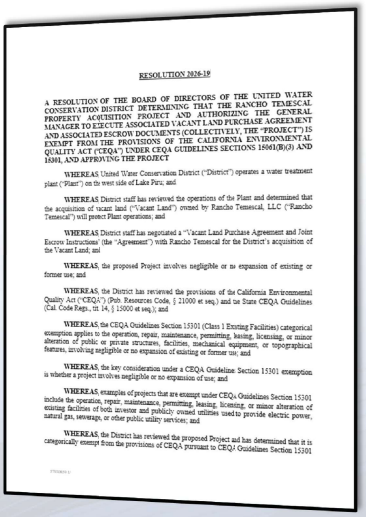
SELLER warrants that, to the best of SELLER's actual, current knowledge, and without any duty of investigation or inquiry,, the PROPERTY (including surface and subsurface soils, groundwater on and underneath the PROPERTY) is free of petroleum products, and other hazardous materials (including, without limitation, "hazardous substances," "hazardous materials," or "toxic substances" as defined by Section 311 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. Section 1251, et seq.), Section 1004 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. Section 6901, et seq.), Section 101 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. Section 9601 et seq.), and "Hazardous wastes and substances" as defined by Sections 25117 and 25316 of the California Health & Safety Code.

DISTRICT's investigation and approval of the environmental condition of the PROPERTY, including completion and review of a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment and any additional investigation reasonably deemed necessary by DISTRICT, are included within the Investigation of Property contingency provided under Paragraph 14(5) of the AGREEMENT. If, before removal of that contingency, DISTRICT determines that hazardous substances or other environmental

Motion Item 5.1

Adopt A Resolution Determining that the Rancho Temescal Property Acquisition Project and Authorizing the General Manager to Execute Associated Vacant Land Purchase Agreement and Associated Escrow Documents is Exempt from the Provisions of CEQA and Approving the Project.

1. Resolution Authorizes General Manager to Execute Vacant Land Purchase Agreement and Associated Escrow Documents
2. Resolution Determines Project is Exempt from the Provisions of CEQA
   - Categorically exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 Existing Facilities (Class 1)
   - Qualifies for the California Code of Regulations Section 15061(b)(3) Common Sense Exemption



RESOLUTION 2026-19

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT DETERMINING THAT THE RANCHO TEMESCAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE ASSOCIATED VACANT LAND PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND ASSOCIATED ESCROW DOCUMENTS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "PROJECT") IS EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT ("CEQA") UNDER CEQA GUIDELINES SECTIONS 15061(B)(3) AND 15301, AND APPROVING THE PROJECT

WHEREAS, United Water Conservation District ("District") operates a water treatment plant ("Plant") on its west side of Lake Piru; and

WHEREAS, District staff has reviewed the operations of the Plant and determined that the acquisition of vacant land ("Vacant Land") owned by Rancho Temescal, LLC ("Rancho Temescal") will protect Plant operations; and

WHEREAS, District staff has negotiated a "Vacant Land Purchase Agreement and Joint Escrow Instructions" (the "Agreement") with Rancho Temescal for the District's acquisition of the Vacant Land; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Project involves negligible or no expansion of existing or former use; and

WHEREAS, the District has reviewed the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") (Pub. Resources Code, § 21000 et seq.) and the State CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15000 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, the CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Class 1 Existing Facilities) categorical exemption applies to the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use; and

WHEREAS, the key consideration under a CEQA Guideline Section 15301 exemption is whether a project involves negligible or no expansion of use; and

WHEREAS, examples of projects that are exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 include the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing facilities of both investor and publicly owned utilities used to provide electric power, natural gas, sewage, or other public utility services; and

WHEREAS, the District has reviewed the proposed Project and has determined that it is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301

Motion Item 5.3

A. Water Supply

Authorize the General Manager to execute a construction agreement with Sam Hill & Sons, Inc. in the amount of $6,106,190 for the construction of a conveyance beneath Vineyard Avenue to connect the Saticoy Recharge Facility to Ferro Basin (CIP 8018 Freeman Diversion Improvement Project – Conveyance)

- Two – 60-Inch RCP from Noble 3 to Ferro
- 375 cfs Design Flow
- Estimated 2,000 to 3,000 AFY (Long-Term Average)
- $1M Grant Funding (IRWM Prop 1, Round 2)

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Motion Item 5.3

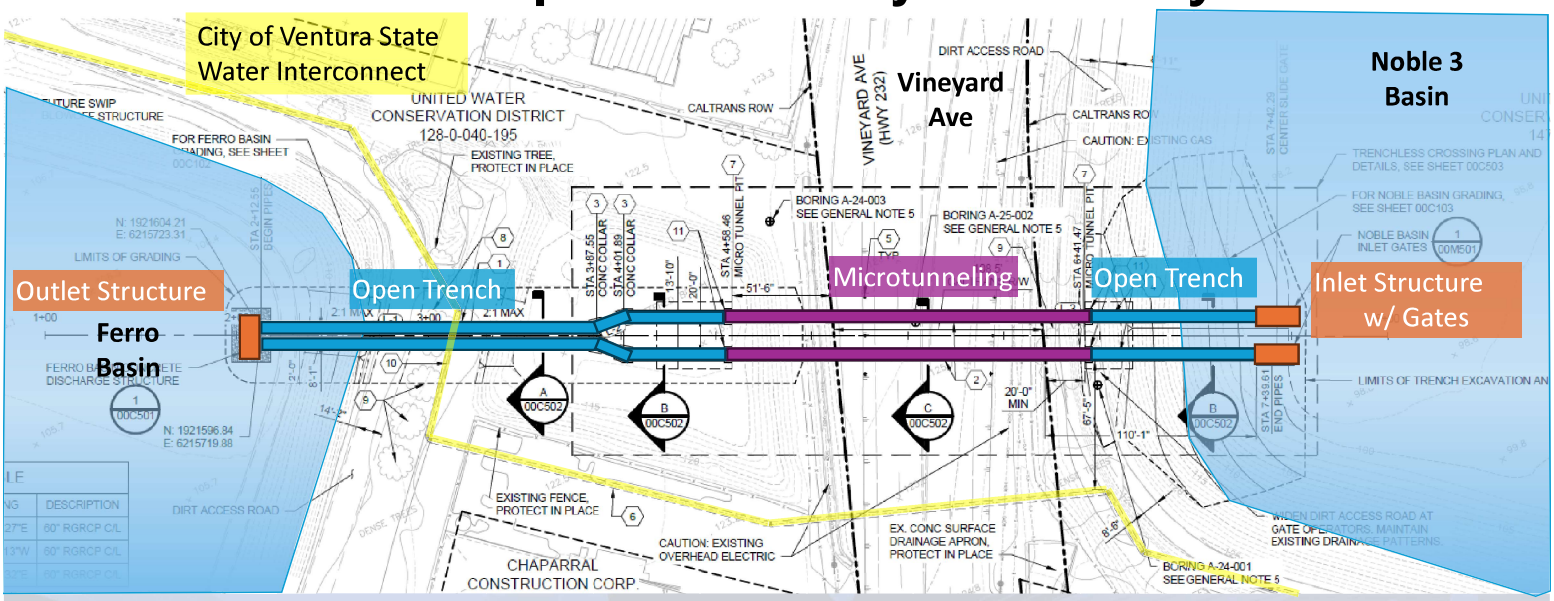
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Award of Agreement to Construct the Freeman Diversion Improvement Project – Conveyance

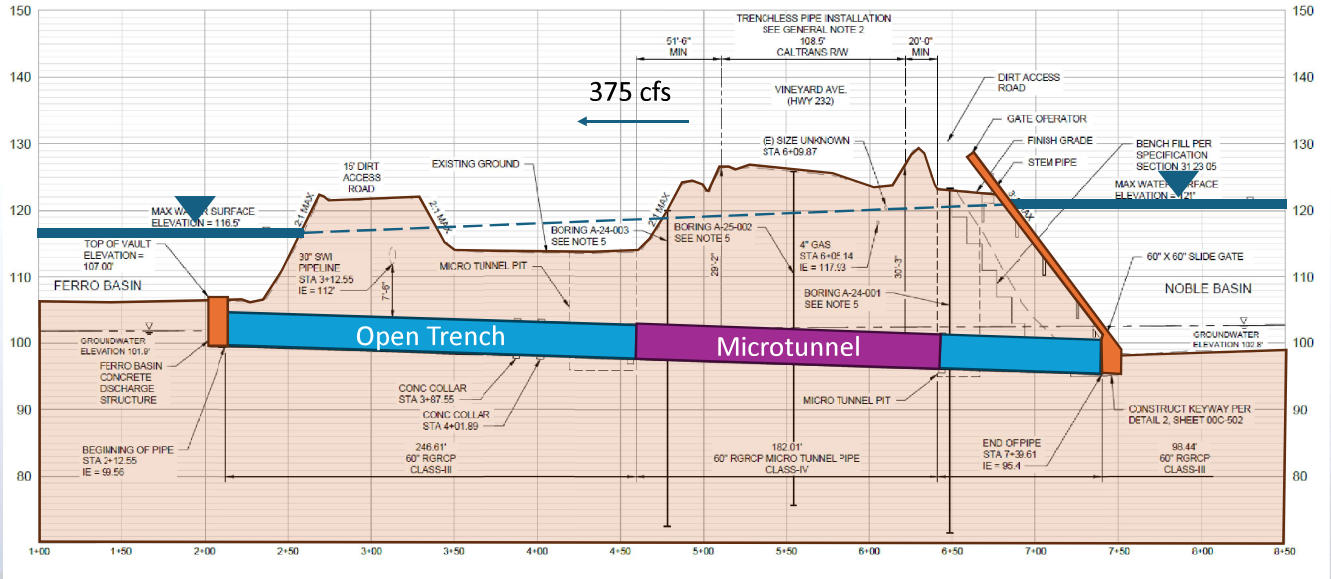
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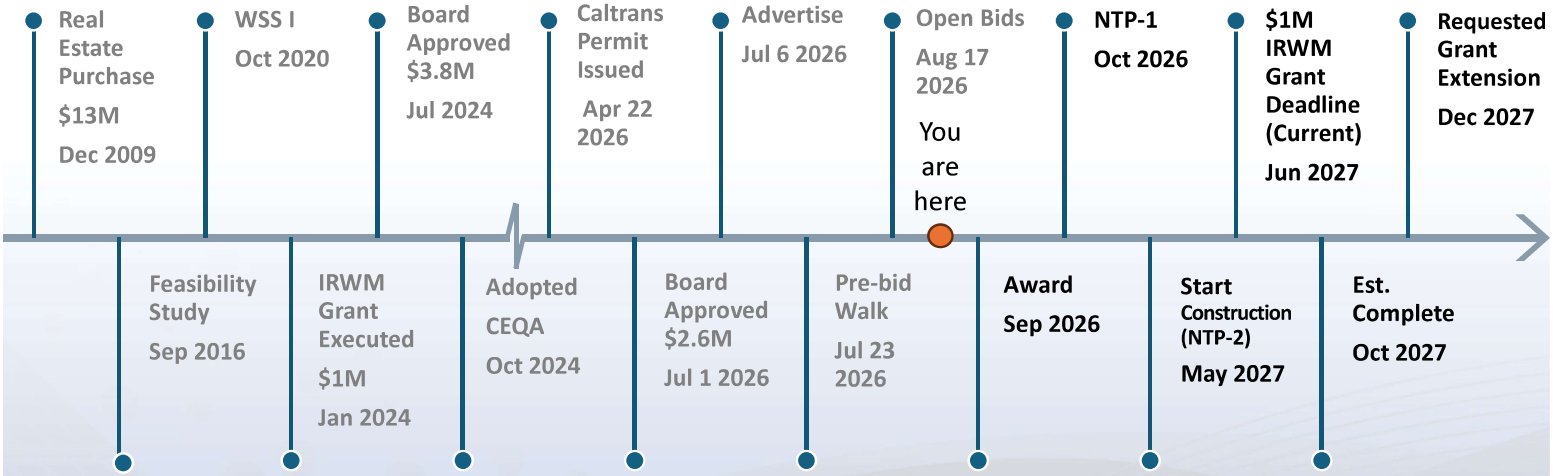
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Motion Item 5.4

A. Water Supply

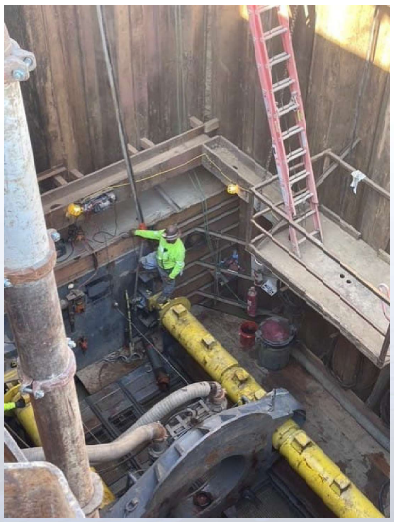
Authorizing the General Manager to execute the Professional Consulting Services Agreement for construction management and inspection related services with HDR Engineering, Inc. for the not-to-exceed amount of $539,900 to support the construction of Vineyard Avenue Crossing to connect the Saticoy Recharge Facility to Ferro Basin (CIP 8018 Freeman Diversion Improvement Project – Conveyance)

Cost

- Time and Materials not-to-exceed $539,900

Scope Includes

- Pre-Construction Support
- Construction Management
- Full-time Microtunneling inspection (Subject Matter Expert)
- Full-time General Inspection (Senior Inspector)
- Closeout Support



Motion Item 5.5

B. System Reliability

Recommend approval of the motion item to the full Board of Directors authorizing the General Manager to execute an agreement with Rite-Way Roof Corporation in the amount of $360,000 to construct a roof replacement at the District headquarters

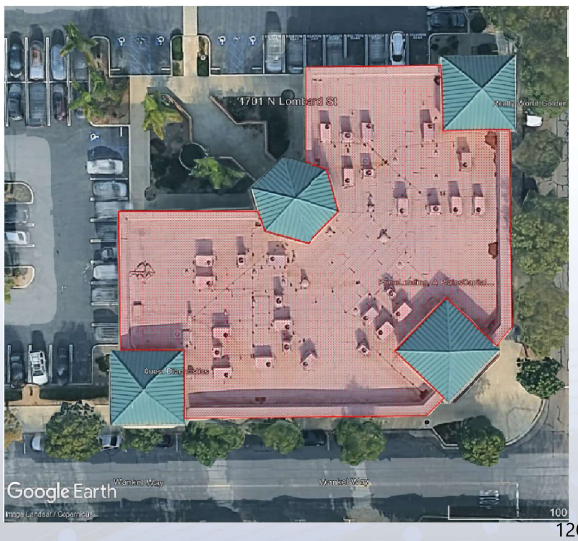
Cost:

- Time and Materials not-to-exceed - $360,000

Scope Includes:

- Remove existing Built-Up Roof (BUR) at vertical walls
- Mechanically fasten insulation cover boards
- Fully adhere new PVC membrane roof
- Flash around HVAC, drains, and pipe penetrations
- Seal and caulk around penetrations
- Install walk pad around HVAC units
- 2-year Contractor warranty for workmanship
- 25-year manufacturer's warranty

Budget: Included in FY 2026/27 budget



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