

INDIAN WELLS VALLEY GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY

Ridgecrest City Hall 100 W California Ave., Ridgecrest, CA 93555 760-499-5002

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA

Wednesday, July 8, 2026

Closed Session – 10:00 a.m.

Open Session no earlier than 12:00 p.m.

NOTICE: *In accordance with the evolving public health declarations, we will continue to provide live stream video for those wishing to participate virtually. Please see the Public Comment Notice below for detailed instructions on submitting public comment as well as websites for livestream broadcasting.*

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Statements from the Public

The public will be allowed to address the Board during Public Comments about subjects within the jurisdiction of the IWVGA Board and that are NOT on the agenda. No action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law. Questions posed to the Board may be answered after the meeting or at a future meeting. Dialog or extended discussion between the public and the Board or staff will be limited in accordance with the Brown Act. All Public Comment portions of the meeting shall be limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. Each person is limited to one comment during Public Comments.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION

4. CLOSED SESSION

- CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS
(Government Code Section 54956.8) - Property: Purchase of Water Rights; Agency Negotiator: Jeff Simonetti; Negotiating Parties: Westside Ag; Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment.
- CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS
(Government Code Section 54956.8) - Property: Purchase of Water Rights; Agency Negotiator: Jeff Simonetti; Negotiating Parties: Tejon Ranch; Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment.

- CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS
(Government Code Section 54956.8) - Property: Purchase of Land; Agency Negotiator: April Keigwin / Phillip Hall; Negotiating Parties: Fremont Valley Properties; Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): IWVGA v. Inyokern CSD – Kern County Superior Court BCV-22-100281
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- EXISTING LITIGATION
(Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) - Name of case: Mojave Pistachios, LLC v Indian Wells Valley Water District, et al. Orange County Superior Court Case No. 30-2021-01187275-CU-OR-CJ

5. CALL TO ORDER – No earlier than 12:00 p.m.

- a. Report on closed session
- b. Pledge of Allegiance
- c. Roll Call

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

This time is reserved for the public to address the Board about matters NOT on the agenda. No action will be taken on non-agenda items unless authorized by law. Comments are limited to three minutes per person.

7. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

This time is reserved for comments by Board members and/or staff and to identify matters for future Board business.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approve Minutes of Board Meeting June 10, 2026
- b. Appointment of United States Navy DOD Liaison, Commander Kyle P. Strausbaugh
- c. Approve Expenditures
 - *To view itemized invoices please visit <https://iwvga.org/iwvga-meetings>.*
 - i. \$127,123.81 – Stetson Engineers
 - ii. \$39,789.09 – Regional Government Services – (Replenishment / Extraction)
 - iii. \$18,450.00 – Capitol Core Group – (Replenishment / Extraction)
 - iv. \$12,787.50 – Blue Mountain Development – (SGMA IP / EPA)
 - v. \$11,191.28 – Westbound Communication – (Extraction)
 - vi. \$9,965.60 – Provost & Prichard (SGMA IP / EPA)
 - vii. \$3,086.68 – Hamner & Jewell Associates – (Consolidation)
 - viii. \$537.50 – GFT Infrastructure – (SGMA IP / EPA)

9. COMPREHENSIVE GROUNDWATER ADJUDICATION – PHASE 2 SUMMARY

10. WATER RESOURCES MANAGER REPORT

- a. Grant Funding
- b. GSP Implementation Projects/Management Action Updates
 - i. Imported Water Project
 - ii. Shallow Well Mitigation Program
- c. Consolidation Projects
 - i. Rademacher Way

- ii. Stark Street
- d. Miscellaneous Items
 - i. Data Collection and Monitoring
 - ii. IWVGA Basin Model Configuration Management Plan
 - iii. Rose Valley Subflow Update

11. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

- a. Monthly Financial Report
- b. Outreach Update
- c. Report on IWVGA's Water Marketer (Capitol Core Group)

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – AUGUST 12, 2026

13. ADJOURN

PUBLIC COMMENT NOTICE

IWVGA meetings will be open to the public for physical attendance; However, for those who wish to continue using virtual alternatives please follow the directions below for access to live stream video as well as ways to submit public comment.

- **Watch meetings on-line:**

All of our meetings are streamed live at <https://ridgecrest-ca.gov/369/Watch> (4 second streaming delay) or on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/cityofridgecrest/live> (22 second streaming delay) and are also available for playback after the meeting.

- **Call in for public comments:**

If you wish to make verbal comment, *please call (760) 499-5010*. This phone line will allow only one caller at a time, so if the line is busy, please continue to dial. We will be allowing a 20-30 second pause between callers to give time for media delays and callers to dial in. Due to media delays, please mute your streaming device while making public comment. If you wish to comment on multiple items, you will need to call in as each item is presented.

- **Submit written comments:**

We encourage submittal of written comments supporting, opposing, or otherwise commenting on an agenda item, for distribution to the Board prior to the meeting. Send emails to akeigwin@rgs.ca.gov written correspondence may be sent to April Keigwin, Clerk of the Board, 100 W. California Ave., Ridgecrest, CA 93555. Please specify to which agenda item your comment relates.

- **Large Groups:**

If you are part of a large group that would like to comment on an agenda item, please consider commenting in writing. This will be as impactful to the Board as having a large group in attendance.

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INDIAN WELLS VALLEY GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY

City of Ridgecrest, Indian Wells Valley Water District, Inyo County, Kern County, San Bernardino County

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING JUNE 10, 2026

IWVGA Members Present:

Chairman Scott Hayman, City of Ridgecrest	Commander Sims, United States Navy
Phillip Peters, Kern County	Dana Stephensen, Bureau of Land Management
Mallory Boyd, Indian Wells Valley Water District	April Keigwin, General Manager
Will Wadelton, Inyo County	Steve Johnson, Water Resources Manager
Tim Itnyre, San Bernardino County	Keith Lemieux, Legal Counsel

Attending via teleconference is Steve Johnson.

Meeting recording, public comment letters submitted, and all board meeting related documents are made available at:
<https://iwvga.org/iwvga-meetings/>

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Hayman calls the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion made by Phillip Peters and seconded by Will Wadelton to approve adoption of the agenda.
Motion carries by the following roll call vote:

Chairman Hayman	Aye
Vice Chair Peters	Aye
Director Boyd	Aye
Director Itnyre	Aye
Director Wadelton	Aye

3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION:

None.

Chairman Hayman calls the meeting into Closed Session at 10:20 a.m.

4. CLOSED SESSION:

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Closed Session adjourns at 11:06 a.m.

5. OPEN SESSION – no earlier than 11:00 a.m.

Meeting reconvenes in Open Session at 11:09 p.m.

- a. Report on Closed Session – Counsel Lemieux reports no reportable action was taken that would require disclosure under The Brown Act.
- b. Pledge of Allegiance is led by Chairman Hayman
- c. Roll Call

Chairman Hayman	Present
Vice Chair Peters	Present
Director Boyd	Present
Director Itnyre	Present
Director Wadelton	Present

6. PUBLIC COMMENT:

The Board hears public comment from Lyle Fischer, Judie Decker, Jennifer Slayton, Renee Westa-Lusk, Mike Sinnott, and Shirley Kirk Patrick.

7. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

None.

8. CONSENT AGENDA:

a. Approve Minutes of Board Meeting May 13, 2026

b. Approve Expenditures

**To view itemized invoices please visit <https://iwvga.org/iwvga-meetings>.*

- i. \$132,266.24 – City of Ridgecrest
- ii. \$94,703.07 – Stetson Engineers
- iii. \$43,833.00 – Regional Government Services – (Replenishment / Extraction)
- iv. \$25,318.75 – Capitol Core Group – (Replenishment / Extraction)
- v. \$18,831.72 – Westbound Communication – (Extraction)
- vi. \$17,864.70 – Provost & Prichard (SGMA IP / EPA)
- vii. \$14,987.50 – Blue Mountain Development – (SGMA IP / EPA)
- viii. \$1,187.50 – GFT Infrastructure – (SGMA IP / EPA)
- ix. \$100.00 – California Association of Mutual Water Companies – (Extraction)

The Board hears public comment from Jennifer Slayton.

Agenda item 8.b.4 pulled for additional discussion and consideration.

Motion made by Phillip Peters and seconded by Will Wadelton to approve Minutes of Board Meeting May 13, 2026 and the following expenditures in the amount of, \$132,266.24 to City of Ridgecrest, \$94,703.07 to Stetson Engineers, \$43,833.00 to Regional Government Services, \$18,831.72 to Westbound Communication, \$17,864.70 to Provost & Pritchard, \$14,987.50 to Blue Mountain

Development, \$1,187.50 to GFT Infrastructure, and \$100.00 to California Association of Mutual Water Companies.

Motion carries by the following vote:

Chairman Hayman	Aye
Vice Chair Peters	Aye
Director Boyd	Aye
Director Itnyre	Aye
Director Wadelton	Aye

Motion made by Phillip Peters and seconded by Mallory Boyd to approve agenda item 8.b.4 payment to Capitol Core Group in the amount of \$25,318.75.

Motion carries by the following vote:

Chairman Hayman	Aye
Vice Chair Peters	Aye
Director Boyd	Aye
Director Itnyre	Aye
Director Wadelton	Aye

9. DISCUSSION ON INYOKERN DATA CENTER AND PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

Counsel Lemieux presents staff report and Michael McKinney presents proposed legislation.

The Board hears public comment from Jennifer Slayton, Judie Decker, Nina Sanserve, Kelli Cutts, Renee Westa-Lusk, Rudy Salazar, Shirley Kirk Patrick, West Katzenstein, Jade Zimmerman, Mike Sinnott, and Tammy Bouyer.

Motion made by Phillip Peters and seconded by Mallory Boyd to approve submission of comments to California Energy Commission as well as submit a legislative memo to Kern County.

Motion carries by the following vote:

Chairman Hayman	Aye
Vice Chair Peters	Aye
Director Boyd	Aye
Director Itnyre	Aye
Director Wadelton	Aye

Motion made by Phillip Peters and seconded by Tim Itnyre approving Capitol Core Group to remain involved in the stakeholder process concerning proposed data center legislation without taking any position of support or opposition.

Motion carries by the following vote:

Chairman Hayman	Aye
Vice Chair Peters	Aye
Director Boyd	Aye
Director Itnyre	Aye
Director Wadelton	Aye

10. WATERSMART GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:

Helena Chu presents staff report and proposed projects.

The Board hears public comment from Renee Westa-Lusk.

Motion made by Phillip Peters and seconded by Mallory Boyd approving application submission for WaterSMART grant opportunities to fund 1) restoration of the Inyo and Bucket wells and 2) seismic study in the Rose Valley area.

Motion carries by the following vote:

Chairman Hayman	Aye
Vice Chair Peters	Aye
Director Boyd	Aye
Director Itnyre	Aye
Director Wadelton	Aye

11. WATER RESOURCES MANAGER REPORT:

Jeff Helsley provides updates on the following items:

- a. Grant Funding
- b. GSP Implementation Projects/Management Action Updates
 - i. Imported Water Project
 - ii. Shallow Well Mitigation Program
- c. Consolidation Projects
 - i. Rademacher Way
 - ii. Stark Street
- d. Miscellaneous Items
 - i. Data Collection and Monitoring
 - ii. IWVGA Basin Model Configuration Management Plan
 - iii. Rose Valley Subflow Update

The Board hears public comment from Kelli Cutts.

12. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT:

April Keigwin presents monthly financial report, updates on public outreach, and Little Lake Project correspondence with Inyo County Board of Supervisors. Michael McKinney provides legislative update.

The Board hears public comment from Renee Westa-Lusk and Judie Decker.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – JULY 8, 2026

14. ADJOURN:

Chairman Hayman adjourns the meeting at 1:43 p.m. on June 10, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

April Keigwin
Clerk of the Board
Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR WEAPONS STATION
1 ADMINISTRATION CIRCLE
CHINA LAKE CA 93555-6100

5400
N00
15 Jun 26

From: Commanding Officer, Naval Air Weapons Station, China Lake
To: CDR Kyle P. Strausbaugh, USN

Subj: APPOINTMENT AS DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE LIAISON TO INDIAN WELLS
VALLEY GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ref: (a) DoD 5500.7-R, Joint Ethics Regulation, Section 3-201
(b) Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement

1. Per references (a) and (b), you are hereby appointed to serve as Department of Defense (DoD) liaison to the Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority (IWVGA) Board of Directors.
2. This appointment will continue in effect until your detachment from the position of Public Works Officer, Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake, unless withdrawn earlier.
3. As a DoD liaison, you officially represent the DoD in matters of mutual interest but may not:
 - a. Be involved in the management or control of the IWVGA Board of Directors (e.g., vote) but you may serve on IWVGA committees.
 - b. Fundraise on behalf of the IWVGA Board of Directors.
 - c. Promote, nor endorse, the IWVGA Board of Directors.
 - d. Offer, solicit, or accept gifts on behalf of the IWVGA Board of Directors.
4. If your name will be listed on the IWVGA website or letterhead of the IWVGA next to members of the IWVGA Board of Directors, you must ensure that the term "DoD Liaison" is placed next to your name. You must make clear to the IWVGA Board of Directors that the opinions you express do not bind the DoD or the Navy to any action. DoD Liaisons may not participate in, nor provide advice concerning, any efforts by the IWVGA Board of Directors to influence congressional action on any legislation or appropriation matters pending before the U.S. Congress. This appointment will remain in effect until your detachment from your current assignment, unless rescinded or superseded in writing.


W. VAN ALLEN

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Stetson Engineers

Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority
100 W. California Ave.
Ridgecrest, CA 93555

Invoice number 2652-106
Date 06/26/2026

Project **2652 Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority**

Professional services through 05/31/2026

2652-2026 Water Resources Management 2026

2652-2026:01 Meetings & Prep

Professional Fees

	Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
Principal	9.00	244.00	2,196.00
Supervisor I	9.75	212.00	2,067.00
Associate II	26.00	119.00	3,094.00
Associate III	4.50	114.00	513.00
Assistant I	1.00	101.00	101.00

Reimbursables

	Units	Rate	Billed Amount
Lodging			
Non Vendor Reimbursables			346.45
			355.45
Subtotal			701.90
Subtotal			701.90
Phase subtotal			8,672.90

2652-2026:02.01 SGMA IP Grant Administration

Professional Fees

	Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
Assistant I	4.00	101.00	404.00

2652-2026:02.02 Urban Community Drought Relief Funding Administration

Professional Fees

	Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
Senior I	4.00	170.00	680.00
Associate II	12.75	119.00	1,517.25
Assistant I	4.00	101.00	404.00
Phase subtotal			2,601.25



Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority

Project 2652 Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority

Invoice number 2652-106

Date 06/26/2026

2652-2026 Water Resources Management 2026

2652-2026:02.03 EPA Resiliency Grant Administration

Professional Fees

Associate II

Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
15.00	119.00	1,785.00

2652-2026:03 Grant Review & Application Preparation

Professional Fees

Associate II

Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
12.25	119.00	1,457.75

2652-2026:04 Data Mgmt System Support

Professional Fees

Senior III

Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
34.50	138.00	4,761.00

2652-2026:05 General Project Mgmt

Professional Fees

Supervisor I

Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
0.50	212.00	106.00

Supervisor II

11.50	197.00	2,265.50
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Senior I

1.50	170.00	255.00
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Phase subtotal 2,626.50

2652-2026:07.03 Resiliency Grant: Design

Professional Fees

Principal

Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
1.50	244.00	366.00

Associate II

9.25	119.00	1,100.75
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Phase subtotal 1,466.75

2652-2026:07.04 Resiliency Grant: Environmental

Professional Fees

Associate II

Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
1.00	119.00	119.00

2652-2026:08 Imported Water: Negotiations & Coordination

Professional Fees

Principal

Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
7.50	244.00	1,830.00

Supervisor I

14.00	212.00	2,968.00
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Supervisor II

45.50	197.00	8,963.50
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Senior III

13.50	138.00	1,863.00
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Senior Associate

17.50	132.00	2,310.00
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Associate III

4.00	114.00	456.00
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Northern California

• Southern California

• Arizona

• Oregon

Invoice number 2652-106

Date 06/26/2026

2652-2026 Water Resources Management 2026

2652-2026:08 Imported Water: Negotiations & Coordination

Professional Fees

	Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
GIS Manager	1.25	126.00	157.50
Reimbursables			
	Units	Rate	Billed Amount
Field Supplies			
Tuan Nguyen			6.00
Mileage			
Stephan Bork	365.00	0.725	264.63
Tuan Nguyen	337.00	0.725	244.33
	19.00	0.725	13.78
Subtotal			258.11
Subtotal			522.74
Phase subtotal			19,076.74

2652-2026:10 Stakeholder Coordination

Professional Fees

	Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
Supervisor I	3.25	212.00	689.00
Senior III	21.25	138.00	2,932.50
Senior Associate	3.25	132.00	429.00
Associate II	1.50	119.00	178.50
Phase subtotal			4,229.00

2652-2026:11 Data Collection, Monitoring & Data Gaps

Professional Fees

	Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
Senior III	2.00	138.00	276.00
Senior Associate	5.75	132.00	759.00
Reimbursables			
	Units	Rate	Billed Amount
Lodging			
Stephan Bork			143.77
Meals			
Stephan Bork			20.49
Mileage			
Stephan Bork	136.00	0.725	98.60
Storage Fee			
Non Vendor Reimbursables			125.60
Phase subtotal			1,423.46



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2652-2026 Water Resources Management 2026

2652-2026:12 Shallow Well Consolidation Project

Professional Fees

Associate II

Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
6.75	119.00	803.25

2652-2026:13 Planning Assistance to States: Army Corps Support

Professional Fees

Associate II

Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
1.00	119.00	119.00

2652-2026:18.1 Navy/Coso Cooperative Agreement

Professional Fees

Associate II

Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
0.75	119.00	89.25

2652-2026:20 Shallow Well Mitigation Program: Outreach & Impacts Evaluation

Professional Fees

Assistant I

Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
2.50	101.00	252.50

2652-2026:21 General Engineering

Professional Fees

Supervisor I

Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
2.00	212.00	424.00

Supervisor II

26.00 197.00 5,122.00

Associate II

1.75 119.00 208.25

Associate III

2.50 114.00 285.00

Phase subtotal

6,039.25

2652-2026:22 GSP 5-Year Update

Professional Fees

Principal

Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
1.50	244.00	366.00

Associate II

0.25 119.00 29.75

Phase subtotal

395.75

2652-2026:26 Budget Support

Professional Fees

Associate II

Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
3.50	119.00	416.50

2652-2026:27 Litigation Support

Professional Fees

Hours	Rate	Billed Amount



Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority
Project 2652 Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority

Invoice number 2652-106
Date 06/26/2026

2652-2026 Water Resources Management 2026

2652-2026:27 Litigation Support

Professional Fees

	Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
Principal	10.00	244.00	2,440.00
Special Project Director	146.50	244.00	35,746.00
Supervisor I	16.00	212.00	3,392.00
Supervisor II	81.50	197.00	16,055.50
Senior I	4.50	170.00	765.00
Associate II	72.25	119.00	8,597.75
Assistant I	2.00	101.00	202.00
GIS Manager	6.50	126.00	819.00
Technical Illustrator	20.25	91.00	1,842.75
Contract Manager	4.00	106.00	424.00

Reimbursables

	Units	Rate	Billed Amount
Reproduction (Color)			
Non Vendor Reimbursables	74.00	0.89	65.86
Reproduction (Black and White)			
Non Vendor Reimbursables	234.00	0.15	35.10

Phase subtotal

70,384.96

Water Resources Management 2026 subtotal

127,123.81

Invoice total 127,123.81

Thank you for your business!

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INVOICE

Regional Government Services
PO Box 1350
Carmel Valley, CA 93924
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(650) 587-7300 x2



Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority
April Keigwin
akeigwin@rgs.ca.gov

May 31, 2026

Invoice No: 21368

Total This Invoice \$38,981.30

Project 04014.C210200000-40 Indian Wells Valley GA -Professional Employer Services

Professional Services from May 01, 2026 to May 31, 2026

Phase IWVGA General Administration

Professional Personnel

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Senior Advisor	157.40	150.00	23,610.00	
Totals	157.40		23,610.00	
Total Labor				23,610.00

Additional Fees

Technology Fee			600.00	
Total Additional Fees			600.00	600.00
Total this Phase				\$24,210.00

Phase IWVGA Finance

Professional Personnel

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Strategic Services Consultant	.80	176.00	140.80	
Senior Advisor	82.80	150.00	11,682.00	
Senior Finance Manager	19.50	140.00	2,730.00	
Technical Specialist	1.90	115.00	218.50	
Totals	105.00		14,771.30	
Total Labor				14,771.30

Total this Phase \$14,771.30

Total this Invoice \$38,981.30

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PO Box 1350
Carmel Valley, CA 93924

Invoice

Date	Invoice #
5/31/2026	19147

Bill To:
Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority 100 W California Ave Ridgecrest, CA 93555

P.O. No.	Inv Sent
	6/24/2026

Date	Description	Amount
5/31/2026	Reimbursable Expenses for City of Ridegecrest Monthly Rent and Keigwin (\$300+\$504.79) - please see attached	804.79

Invoice is due 30 days from Inv Sent date	Total \$804.79
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Capitol Core Group
205 Cartwheel Bend (Operations Dept.)
Austin, TX 78738 US
+15125683084
operations@capitolcore.com
www.capitolcore.com

BILL TO

Indian Wells Valley Groundwater
Authority
500 West Ridgecrest Blvd.
Ridgecrest, California 93555
USA

INVOICE 2026-055**DATE** 07/01/2026 **TERMS** Net 45**DUE DATE** 08/15/2026**VENDOR ID**

19553

INVOICE PERIOD

June 2026

DATE	ACCOUNT SUMMARY	AMOUNT
06/05/2026	Balance Forward	41,043.75
	Other payments and credits after 06/05/2026 through 06/30/2026	0.00
07/01/2026	Other invoices from this date	0.00
	New charges (details below)	18,450.00
	Total Amount Due	59,493.75

ACTIVITY	HOURS	RATE	AMOUNT
Charges			
PROJECT 1: IMPORTED WATER SUPPLIES			
P1-A: Negotiations			
Government Relations: Intergovernmental Affairs A: Finalization and follow-up Tejon {Tatum}	4	275.00	1,100.00
Government Relations: Intergovernmental Affairs A: Wueste Conversations {Tatum}	1.50	275.00	412.50
Government Relations: Intergovernmental Affairs A: Internal Follow-up and meetings {Tatum}	1	275.00	275.00
Government Relations: Intergovernmental Affairs A: Board Meeting Memorandum Drafting {Simonetti}	1	250.00	250.00
P1-B: Other Required Agreements			
P1-C: Regulatory Approvals			
P1-D: 2026 Water Marketing			
Government Relations: Intergovernmental Affairs D: 2026 Water Resources {Simonetti}	1	250.00	250.00
INVOICE TOTAL PROJECT 1: \$2,037.50 (7.5 hours)			
PROJECT 2: WATER REPLENISHMENT PIPELINE			
P2-A: FY2027 Energy and Water Development Act			
Government Relations: Federal Congressional: Senate -- Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development	2	275.00	550.00

ACTIVITY	HOURS	RATE	AMOUNT
(staff) {McKinney}			
Government Relations:Federal Congressional: DC Meeting preparation, WRDA-26 Status calls House/Senate, Senator Padilla and Senator Schiff {Simonetti}	11.25	250.00	2,812.50
P2-B: Other State/Federal Requirements			
P2-C: Regulatory Support (Pipeline)			
P2-D USACE Transition			
INVOICE TOTAL PROJECT 2: \$3,362.50 (13.25 hours)			
PROJECT 3: OTHER PROJECTS SUPPORTING THE GSP			
P3-A: Well Mitigation			
P3-B: Land Repurposing			
P3-C: Other Infrastructure Requirements			
P3-D: Groundwater Adjudication Legislation			
Government Relations:California Legislative: Assembly -- Amendment development AB 2521, consultation w/ Assembly Staff, Asm. Papan, Senate Leadership, and Senate Leadership {McKinney}	6	275.00	1,650.00
Government Relations:California D: Legislative -- AB 2521 advocacy {Simonetti}	2.50	250.00	625.00
Government Relations:California Legislative: AB 2521, Senate Rules Committee, Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee Senate Judiciary Committee, meeting w/ leadership. Senate Parliamentarian {Peterson}	4	250.00	1,000.00
P3-E: General Governmental Affairs			
Government Relations:Federal Congressional: House -- NDAA-27 analysis, MilCon-FY27 analysis, and DEF-FY27 analysis (split) {McKinney}	3	275.00	825.00
Government Relations:California Legislative: Data Center Legislation -- stakeholder briefings, analysis, Senate policy committees, Asm. Papan, Asm. Bauer-Kahan, CSAC/League Discussions {McKinney}	6	275.00	1,650.00
Government Relations:California Legislative: General (other bills) analysis and monitoring {McKinney}	2	275.00	550.00
Government Relations:California Legislative: Final Budget Act FY2026-2027 (split) {McKinney}	2	275.00	550.00
Government Relations:California Legislative: Data Center bill review and materials review {Simonetti}	3	250.00	750.00
Government Relations:California Legislative: Data Center Legislation (Various), Meetings with Papan, Bauer- Kahan, Committee staff, stakeholder meetings, internal meetings and report preparation {Peterson}	8	250.00	2,000.00
Government Relations:California Legislative and Executive: State Budget Act (final) (split) {Paterson}	2	250.00	500.00
Government Relations:California Agency: CEC response to data center (review and analysis) {Peterson}	2	250.00	500.00
INVOICE TOTAL PROJECT 3: \$10,100.00 (40.5 hours)			
PROJECT ADMINISTRATION			

ACTIVITY	HOURS	RATE	AMOUNT
PA-A: Monthly Board Meetings			
General Business Items:Project Administration	4	275.00	1,100.00
June Board Meeting -- materials preparation and meeting {McKinney}			
General Business Items:Project Administration	4	275.00	1,100.00
A: June Board Meeting {Tatum}			
PA-B: Ad-Hoc Reports			
PA-C: Milestone Report			
PA-D: Communications Review			
INVOICE TOTAL PROJECT ADMINISTRATION: \$2,200.00 (8 hours)			

Regulatory Compliance Reporting			
State Reporting for Invoice: \$9,275.00			
State Reporting for Quarter:\$25,812.50			
Federal Reporting for Invoice: \$4,187.50			
Federal Reporting for Quarter: \$15,243.75			

On behalf of the entire Capitol Core Group Team, thank you so much for being our client.

SUBTOTAL	18,450.00
TAX	0.00
TOTAL	18,450.00
TOTAL OF NEW CHARGES	18,450.00
TOTAL DUE	\$59,493.75

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INVOICE

2423 Sebald Ave
Redondo Beach, CA 90278
Phone 310.993.9555

DATE: June 30, 2026
INVOICE # IWVGA 09
FOR: Imported Water Project

CLSB 982332 - A & B

Bill To:

IWVGA

100 W. California Avenue
Ridgecrest, California 93555

Attn: April Keigwin, Agency Executive

DESCRIPTION	DURATION	RATE	AMOUNT
IMPORTED WATER PROJECT PROGRAM MANAGEMENT			
6/1/26 IWVGA Staff Meeting, File Organization, USACE Preparation	3.0	\$ 275.00	\$825.00
6/2/26 Weekly Coordination Meeting, Caltrans Planning	3.5	\$ 275.00	\$962.50
6/3/26 Project File Organization, IWVGA Staff Call, HWY 395	4.5	\$ 275.00	\$1,237.50
6/4/26 Scour Analysis Planning	2.0	\$ 275.00	\$550.00
6/5/26 Project Planning, Program Schedule Planning Meeting	1.0	\$ 275.00	\$275.00
6/8/26 IWVGA Staff Meeting, Scour Analysis Review	2.0	\$ 275.00	\$550.00
6/9/26 Weekly Coordination Meeting, Caltrans Planning	2.0	\$ 275.00	\$550.00
6/10/26 Scour Analysis Planning	1.0	\$ 275.00	\$275.00
6/11/26 USACE Coordination	1.0	\$ 275.00	\$275.00
6/12/26 Project Planning	5.0	\$ 275.00	\$1,375.00
6/15/26 Scour Analysis Planning	2.0	\$ 275.00	\$550.00
6/16/26 Weekly Coordination Meeting, ROW Planning Meeting	2.0	\$ 275.00	\$550.00
6/17/26 PDT Meeting Planning	2.0	\$ 275.00	\$550.00
6/18/26 Monthly PDT Meeting	3.5	\$ 275.00	\$962.50
6/19/26 P&P Engineering Planning Meeting, GIS Planning Meeting	2.0	\$ 275.00	\$550.00
6/22/26 IWVGA Staff Meeting, Scour Analysis Planning,	2.0	\$ 275.00	\$550.00
6/23/26 Weekly Coordination Meeting	1.0	\$ 275.00	\$275.00
6/24/26 Project Planning	2.0	\$ 275.00	\$550.00
6/25/26 BLM Planning Meeting, GIS Planning Meeting	2.0	\$ 275.00	\$550.00
6/26/26 Project Planning, Program Schedule Planning Meeting	3.0	\$ 275.00	\$825.00
6/29/26 IWVGA Staff Meeting	1.0		
6/30/26 Weekly Coordination Meeting, Caltrans Permit Planning Meeting	2.5		
TOTAL HOURS	50.0		

See enclosed task detail for the work effort for the month of June 2026

AMOUNT BILLED THIS INVOICE \$ **12,787.50**

CONTRACT SUMMARY:

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES	CONTRACT AMOUNT	AMOUNT BILLED THROUGH THIS BILLING CYCLE	% COMPLETE THROUGH THIS BILLING CYCLE	AMOUNT BILLED THIS INVOICE
TASK 1 - PROGRAM MANAGEMENT SERVICES	\$ 220,000.00	\$ 106,562.00	48.4%	\$ 12,787.50
TOTAL:	\$ 220,000.00	\$ 106,562.00	48.4%	

INVOICE PAYMENTS PAST DUE OVER 30 DAYS:

Make all checks payable to **Blue Mountain Development, Inc.**
If you have any questions concerning this invoice, contact Nick Biro at 310-993-9555

THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS!

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BILL TO

April Keigwin
Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority
100 W California Ave
Ridgecrest, CA 93555

INVOICE 6112

DATE 06/26/2026 TERMS Net 30

DUE DATE 07/26/2026

P.O. NUMBER

May 2026

DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
Professional fees for public relations counsel and services in support of Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority. Period of Service: May 2026	39.50	240.00	9,480.00
			Subtotal: 9,480.00
Reimbursable expenses for the billing period:			
Technology Access Fee	1	395.00	395.00
			Subtotal: 395.00
Weekday travel: Office to Springhill Suites Ridgecrest April 30, 2026 (OW 131.00 miles)			94.98
Weekday travel: weekday travel from Springhill Suites Ridgecrest back to office May 1, 2026 (RT 131.00 miles)			94.98
			Subtotal: 189.96
043026 IWVGA website design and development			650.00
043026 Meta platform Advertising Transaction ID# 26981103898243963-36981103968243956			1.85
042426 Facebook Advertising Transaction ID# 26814623708225319-26878495355171485			2.00
042426 Facebook Advertising Transaction ID# 26847147268306295-2668098035189658			2.00
042726 Facebook Advertising Transaction ID#26752186264469059- 26914812784873073			2.71
042826 Facebook Advertising Transaction ID# 26963812519973099-26782962488058111			3.48
043026 Meta platform Advertising Transaction ID#			4.00

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DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
36770001219354237-26770001256020900			
043026 Meta platform Advertising Transaction ID# 26936685396019148-26891350403885983			6.00
043026 PP* Metaplatfrom Transaction ID# 26835198216167863- 26933599076327780			4.52
043026 Dinner at Wendy's, Ridgecrest (IWVGA travel)			9.94
050826 Maven's Notebook target media outlet monthly subscription ref# 1631963212 (05/01/26 - 05/31/26)			10.00
050126 SpringHill Suites Ridgecrest - hotel stay 4/30-5/1 (IWVGA travel)			282.91
			Subtotal: 979.41
Markup @ 15%			146.91
TOTAL DUE			\$11,191.28

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April Keigwin
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100 West California Avenue
Ridgecrest, CA 93555

June 12, 2026
Project No: 04101-23-001
Invoice No: 131395

Project Name: Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority-CEQA/NEPA Documents and Permit Documentation

Client Project #:

For the month of May 2026: P&P staff performed the following tasks:

TSK3 Technical Studies: Continued coordination efforts on required surveys for Biological and Cultural surveys, path forward, continued meetings and discussions on un-surveyed areas with team. Review maps and create figures with GIS staff and send to subs for cost estimates. Discuss surveys on Fremont Property. Coordination meeting with BLM and Project team. Email correspondence.

TSK5: Regulatory Compliance and permitting: Updated list for required permits on timing, length, and contacts.

Professional Services from May 01, 2026 to May 31, 2026

Phase: TSK3 Technical Studies

Labor

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Associate Specialist	3.70	140.00	518.00	
Senior Biologist	13.80	162.00	2,235.60	
Associate Biologist	6.20	155.00	961.00	
Senior Specialist	13.30	170.00	2,261.00	
Project Administrator	.30	126.00	37.80	
Senior Project Administrator	25.00	134.00	3,350.00	
Totals	62.30		9,363.40	
Total Labor				9,363.40
Total this Phase:				\$9,363.40

Phase: TSK5 Regulatory Compliance and Permitting

Labor

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Associate Planner	4.20	137.00	575.40	
Senior Project Administrator	.20	134.00	26.80	
Totals	4.40		602.20	
Total Labor				602.20
Total this Phase:				\$602.20
Total this Invoice				<u>\$9,965.60</u>

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Indian Wells Groundwater Authority
Helena Chu
100 W. California Ave
Ridgecrest, CA 93555

Invoice number 205573
Date 05/11/2026

Project **Indian Wells Waterline Easements**

Professional Services from April 01, 2026 through April 30, 2026

Consolidation Projects Easement Acquisition Services

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

	Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
Ashley Borlodon			
Transaction Assistant	3.00	85.00	255.00
Created project tracker			
File management			
Prepped meeting notes			
Prepped intro letter template to owners			
Pulled potential owner contact info			
Updated project diaries			
Emails with Lillian			
Worked on templates for project			
File management and updated project diaries			
Prepped PTR auth and order form			
Emails with Lillian			
Brent Staple			
Clerical/Assistant	0.50	75.00	37.50
Data entry for Jones Trust			
Data entry for Stark Street general diary.			
Lillian Jewell			
Managing Sr Associate	3.75	288.00	1,080.00
Review project files, draft proposed letter, finalize easement deed template, forward to District for review,			
confirm title report parcels and pricing.			
Title authorization for to District, Teams call with District, file updates.			
Notes to file and coord with assistant post mtg notes.			
Mary Jo Anderson			
Transaction/Escrow Coordinator	0.25	130.00	32.50
File management (General)			
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES subtotal	7.50		1,405.00
Invoice total			1,405.00

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Project **Indian Wells Waterline Easements**

Invoice number 205573

Date 05/11/2026

Project Tracking

Description	Contract Amount	Prior Billed	Current Billed	Total Billed	Remaining
RIGHT OF WAY SERVICES	50,000.00	1,121.25	1,405.00	2,526.25	47,473.75
PRELIMINARY TITLE REPORTS	8,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,000.00
REAL PROPERTY APPRAISALS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
OTHER DIRECT COSTS	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
Total	59,500.00	1,121.25	1,405.00	2,526.25	56,973.75

Aging Summary

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Outstanding	Current	Over 30	Over 60	Over 90	Over 120
205495	04/02/2026	1,121.25		1,121.25			
205573	05/11/2026	1,405.00	1,405.00				
Total		2,526.25	1,405.00	1,121.25	0.00	0.00	0.00

Mail all payments to address shown above. Questions regarding this invoice may be directed to Accounting at 805-773-1459 or to accounting@hamner-jewell.com. Thank you. EIN# 77-0551695

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Indian Wells Groundwater Authority

Helena Chu

100 W. California Ave

Ridgecrest, CA 93555

Invoice number 205660

Date 06/09/2026

Project **Indian Wells Waterline Easements**

Professional Services from May 01, 2026 through May 31, 2026

Consolidation Projects Easement Acquisition Services

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

	Hours	Rate	Billed Amount
Ashley Borlodon			
Transaction Assistant	1.75	85.00	148.75
<i>Prepped and mailed letter to owner (Jones)</i>			
<i>Owner outreach</i>			
<i>File management</i>			
<i>Updated project diaries</i>			
<i>Prepped meeting notes</i>			
<i>Reviewed files for current status</i>			
<i>Prepped intro letter to send to owner (Moore)</i>			
<i>Mailed intro letter to owner (Moore)</i>			
<i>Updated project diary</i>			
<i>Reviewed files for current status</i>			
<i>Updated project diaries</i>			
<i>Updated project diaries</i>			
<i>File management</i>			
Brent Staple			
Clerical/Assistant	0.25	75.00	18.75
<i>Data entry and file management for Staudenraus file/diary.</i>			
Lillian Jewell			
Managing Sr Associate	5.25	288.00	1,512.00
<i>File review, place calls to 3 owners, prompt support team to jumpstart letters to owners we have not been able to reach, review and edit, finalize letter to Jones parcel. Project team call 5/11/26. Follow up updates to files.</i>			
<i>Reforward draft proposed easement deed template and title report order form to team.</i>			
<i>Letter reviewed, edited, finalized to Moore.</i>			
<i>1/2 hr Call with Ms Erickson of the Jones trust parcel on Rademacher. Notes to parcel diary. Prepare detailed email with questions for District re Jones issues, email to District.</i>			
<i>Email drafted and sent to Helena re Jones parcel.</i>			
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES subtotal	7.25		1,679.50

OTHER DIRECT COSTS

	Units	Billed Amount
Copies & Printing	4.00	0.56
<i>Intro letter to owner Jones Trust</i>		
<i>Intro Letter - Moore</i>		

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Project **Indian Wells Waterline Easements**

Invoice number 205660

Date 06/09/2026

OTHER DIRECT COSTS

	Units	Billed Amount
Postage - SLO	2.00	1.62
Intro letter to owner Jones Trust		
Intro Letter - Moore		

OTHER DIRECT COSTS subtotal 2.18

Invoice total **1,681.68**

Project Tracking

Description	Contract Amount	Prior Billed	Current Billed	Total Billed	Remaining
RIGHT OF WAY SERVICES	50,000.00	2,526.25	1,679.50	4,205.75	45,794.25
PRELIMINARY TITLE REPORTS	8,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,000.00
REAL PROPERTY APPRAISALS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
OTHER DIRECT COSTS	1,500.00	0.00	2.18	2.18	1,497.82
Total	59,500.00	2,526.25	1,681.68	4,207.93	55,292.07

Aging Summary

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Outstanding	Current	Over 30	Over 60	Over 90	Over 120
205495	04/02/2026	1,121.25			1,121.25		
205573	05/11/2026	1,405.00	1,405.00				
205660	06/09/2026	1,681.68	1,681.68				
Total		4,207.93	3,086.68	0.00	1,121.25	0.00	0.00

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Check Payment Information:

GFT Infrastructure, Inc.
PO Box 829160, Philadelphia, PA 19182-9160 Federal EIN: 25-1613591

ACH/EFT Payment Information:

Account Name: GFT Infrastructure, Inc.
ABA: 031312738 Account No.: 5003165655 Wire Routing No.: 043000096
SWIFT: PNCCUS33 (required for international payments)

Send Remit Info: AccountsReceivable@gftinc.com
Send Audit Inquiries: GovtContractAudit@gftinc.com
All Other Inquires Contact the Project Team

April Keigwin
Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority
100 W California Ave.
Ridgecrest, CA 93555

June 25, 2026
Invoice No: 5010497

Due Date: July 25, 2026

A0230025.601 IWW-Imported Water Pipeline Acq
Professional Services from May 01, 2026 to May 31, 2026

	Total Fee	Billed To Date	Remaining Fee	Percent Complete	Previous Billings	Current Billings
Task: ACQUISITION ACTIVITIES	703,595.00	238,016.25	465,578.75	33.83%	237,478.75	537.50
Total:	703,595.00	238,016.25	465,578.75	33.83%	237,478.75	537.50

Current Billings	537.50
Amount Due This Bill	USD 537.50

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IWVGA ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

STAFF REPORT

TO: IWVGA Board Members

DATE: July 8, 2026

FROM: IWVGA Water Resources Manager

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM 10 – WATER RESOURCES MANAGER’S REPORT

AGENDA ITEM 10a – GRANT FUNDING UPDATE

SGMA Implementation Round 1 Update

- Invoice #13
 - Covers July 2025 to September 2025
 - Total requested payment: \$32,759.14
 - Status: Submitted to DWR, awaiting payment.
- Invoice #14
 - Covers October 2025 to December 2025
 - Total requested payment: \$377,862.25
 - Status: Submitted to DWR, awaiting payment.
- Invoice #15 (Final)
 - Covers January 2026 to March 2026
 - Total requested payment: \$753,756.64
 - Status: Submitted to DWR, awaiting payment.
- Grant Completion Report submitted to DWR on December 31, 2025

Urban Community Drought Relief Program Update

- The IWVGA has been awarded \$3,345,000 to consolidate shallow well system(s) into a public water system.
 - Rademacher consolidation currently underway
 - Stark Street consolidation development underway
- Invoice #7
 - Covers July 2025 to September 2025
 - Total requested payment: \$15,080.72
 - Status: Submitted to DWR, received payment.
- Invoice #8
 - Covers October 2025 to December 2025
 - Total requested payment: \$9,247.50
 - Status: Submitted to DWR, awaiting payment.
- Invoice #9
 - Covers January 2026 to March 2026
 - Status: Submitted to DWR, payment received.

AGENDA ITEM 10b – GSP IMPLEMENTATION PROJECTS/MANAGEMENT ACTION UPDATES

Imported Water Project

- Imported Water Pipeline Design Services
 - Continuing coordination with BLM for a Special Use Permit for pipeline construction
 - June 25, 2026: Monthly BLM Coordination Meeting with Project's Planning Development Team (Authority Staff, WRM Staff, all Project planning consultants)
 - BLM successfully received additional \$25,000 deposit under their existing Reimbursement Agreement with the Authority
 - June 16, 2026: Coordination meeting with right of way team regarding right of way acquisition
 - June 18, 2026: Monthly coordination meeting with Project's Planning Development Team to coordinate on all planning updates and action items
 - June 15 and June 22, 2026: Coordination meetings with WRM Staff and Blue Mountain Development (BMD) regarding scour design approach
 - June 19 and June 25, 2026: Coordination meeting with Planning Development Team regarding creating a GIS platform database for the Project's Design, Environmental, and ROW components
 - June 26, 2026: Coordination meeting with the Planning Development Team regarding the project planning and construction schedule
 - June 30, 2026: Coordination meeting with Authority, WRM Staff and Blue Mountain regarding coordination with Caltrans for an encroachment permit
 - Additional coordination meetings to be scheduled:
 - Meeting regarding pipeline materials
 - Meeting regarding regulatory permits
 - Meeting regarding construction cost estimation
 - Continuing ongoing coordination with Caltrans, California Department of Parks and Recreation (Cal Parks), and Southern California Edison (SCE)
 - SCE Staff continuing design of the powerlines between Pump Station No. 2 and Pump Station No. 3
 - Coordinating meeting with SCE Public Affairs to structure SCE Project Team with IWVGA Project Team
 - Coordinating meeting with Cal Trans to discuss temporary and permanent access routes off Hwy 395 and the Hwy 395 jack and bore crossing.
 - Coordinating finalization of the location of the Hwy 395 crossing
 - P&P and Blue Mountain Development continuing analyzing results and design recommendations pursuant to AVEK and Kennedy Jenks's updated hydraulic modeling of the California City Feeder and North Feeder's
 - Blue Mountain continuing reviewing draft current progress print Design Plans
 - Next Steps:
 - Finalize the following after analyzing updated AVEK (Kennedy/Jenks) hydraulic modeling results:
 - Tank TM (a 30% submittal deliverable)

- Electrical Systems and Instrumentation and Controls TM (a 30% submittal deliverable)
 - Refined System Hydraulics and Transient Mitigation Analysis TM (a 30% submittal deliverable)
 - Draft Mechanical Pump Selection (a 30% submittal deliverable)
- Provide the updated Preliminary Permitting Requirements TM
- Provide Draft Corrosion Design TM
- Incorporate additional SCE power infrastructure into design plans after SCE provides preliminary design for power infrastructure
- Next Milestones
 - Provide 90% Design Submittal after completing the Next Steps above
 - Provide 100% Design Submittal
- Imported Water Pipeline Environmental Services
 - Coordination Meetings
 - June 25, 2026: Monthly coordination meeting with BLM, IWVGA Staff, WRM Staff and Consultants
 - Coordinating with BLM to obtain field work authorization for cultural surveys
 - Continued to engage with SCE environmental staff and the Project's design consultant on the potential requirements for incorporating the new SCE infrastructure into the Environmental documents
 - June 18, 2026: Monthly coordination meeting with all Project Planning Development Team to coordinate on all planning updates and action items
 - June 19 and June 25, 2026: Coordination meeting with Planning Development Team regarding creating a GIS platform database for the Project's Design, Environmental, and ROW components
 - June 26, 2026: Coordination meeting with Planning Development Team regarding the project planning and construction schedule
 - Coordinating finalization of the location of the Hwy 395 crossing with Design consultant for consideration into the EA/ EIR
 - Executed No-Cost Change Order No.11 for additional required surveys
 - Additional desert tortoise and cultural surveys scheduled to occur in July
 - Additional time-sensitive rare plant surveys completed per No-Cost Change Order No.10
 - P&P reviewed and addressed all BLM comments on the current draft EIR. P&P to provide updated draft EIR after all additional surveys completed.
 - Draft EA/ EIR joint document to be updated per additional SCE components
 - Draft Biological Evaluation to be updated for additional SCE components
 - Draft Biological Assessment to be updated for additional SCE component
 - Air Quality, Greenhouse Gas, Energy, and Noise reports to be updated for additional SCE components
 - Next Steps:
 - Incorporate additional SCE components into EA/EIR after design plans include SCE preliminary design for power infrastructure
 - Provide updated schedule after SCE provides preliminary design to Design consultants
 - Provide draft EA for 45- day Public Comment Period after incorporating SCE into EA/EIR

- Next Milestones:
 - Provide Final EA/ EIR
- Imported Water Pipeline Right-of-Way Services
 - June 18, 2026: Monthly coordination meeting with all Project Planning Development Team to coordinate on all planning updates and action items
 - June 25, 2026: Monthly coordination meeting with BLM, IWVGA Staff, WRM Staff and Consultants
 - June 16, 2026: Coordination meeting with design team regarding right of way acquisition
 - Continuing Acquisition Services Task, Preliminary Title Report and Appraisal Report tasks
 - Coordinating plats and legal descriptions with Design team
 - Continuing to coordinate GIS platform
 - Coordinating priority list of acquisition
 - GFT requested 7 PTRs for coordination with BLM/Caltrans
 - Next Milestone:
 - Provide a final Right of Way Acquisition Plan
 - Complete plats and legal descriptions
- Blue Mountain Development (BMD) Program Management Services
 - Project coordination meetings:
 - June 18, 2026: Monthly coordination meeting with all Project Planning Development Team to coordinate on all planning updates and action items
 - June 25, 2026: Monthly BLM Coordination Meeting with BLM and Planning Development Team
 - June 16, 2026: Coordination meeting with right of way team regarding right of way acquisition
 - June 15 and June 22, 2026: Coordination meetings with design team regarding scour design approach
 - June 19 and June 25, 2026: Coordination meeting with Planning Development Team regarding GIS platform database for the Project's Design, Environmental, and ROW components
 - June 26, 2026: Coordination meeting with the Planning Development Team regarding the project planning and construction schedule
 - June 30, 2026: Coordination meeting with design team regarding coordination with Caltrans for an encroachment permit
 - BMD identifying risk factors with focus on technical, environmental, regulatory, fiscal, project phasing, and schedule impacts
 - Evaluating completeness of environmental documents prior to publication relative to current design technical issues, construction phasing, and long term operations.
 - Internal BLM Comment Review – Completed
 - Independent Review – In progress
 - Updated Draft Document – Anticipated in Fall 2026
 - Key biological surveys partly completed and under way. Work under way integrates current design, SCE alignment, and BLM requirements
 - Sensitive Habitat Biological Surveys – Completed
 - Sensitive Species Surveys – Completed

- Cultural Surveys – Anticipated to begin in July 2026 with completion in late 2026
 - Evaluating current design technical issues including AVEK connection, terminus receiving tank, scour issues, Caltrans crossing, and SCE power distribution for lift stations.
 - Caltrans Crossing & Alignment – Conceptual approach being coordinated with District 9 staff
 - SCE Programing – Initial overall matrix of requirements being developed to bring senior management level coordination for design of line extensions and connections.
 - Evaluating property acquisition strategy integrating construction phasing, and appropriation annual funding
 - Right of Way Strategy – Initial overall matrix of locations and required steps to complete acquisition, easement, or license agreement being developed.
 - Initial Property Rights Verification – Select key location of properties being verified for representative underlying rights for upcoming review with BLM, Kern County, and Caltrans.
 - Updated Baseline Schedule Development – Fully integrated schedule for environmental, engineering, permits, and right of way acquisition.
 - WRM Staff reviewing updated draft index of central project document repository for WRM Staff review
 - Coordinating agreement with AVEK: Framework of Agreement under way with development of Term Sheet for review
 - Coordinating meeting between EPA and BLM for a discussion regarding NEPA requirements pursuant to the EPA's involvement in the Project through the EPA Resiliency Grant
 - Next Steps:
 - Identify risk factors and planning strategies to address and mitigate areas of concern.
 - Develop Consolidated Program Management Schedule
- Submittals to DWR
 - Awaiting final payment on IP Grant
- National Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Drinking Water System Infrastructure Resilience and Sustainability Program (Resiliency Grant)
 - In August 2024, the EPA announced their grant of \$2.79 million to the IWVGA for Imported Water Project planning activities
 - Grant will be used as additional funding to complete planning tasks
 - Performance Evaluation No. 1 submitted to EPA on January 30, 2026.
 - Performance Evaluation No. 2 is currently being prepared and due July 31, 2026.
 - Preparation of first reimbursement request underway.
- US Army Corps of Engineers Planning Assistance to States (PAS) Program
 - Provided Section 8119 Waiver request to provide full funding provided under Section 8119 of WRDA 2022 for Disadvantaged Communities
 - USACE provided a response that the FY 2027 budget for PAS is not currently funding additional new-start projects. USACE will continue the

scoping review process for a potential approved-unfunded status.

Shallow Well Mitigation Program

There are currently no active applications.

AGENDA ITEM 10c – CONSOLIDATION PROJECTS

- The IWVGA has been awarded \$3,345,000 to consolidate shallow well system(s) into a public water system.
- Two consolidation projects, Rademacher Way and Stark Street, have been identified and are currently in the process of being implemented.
- Remaining grant funds after submittal of Progress Report 9: \$2,994,803.47
- Right-of-Way consultants
 - Contract Service Agreement executed
- Request for Amendment to Grant Agreement underway
 - Reallocation of funds under Category A: Project Administration and Category B: Land Purchase/Easement to Category C: Planning, Design, Engineering, Environmental Documentation

Rademacher Way

- Phase 1 complete
 - Two properties hooked up to completed pipeline
- Phase 2 design completed and approved by Division of Drinking Water
- Phase 2 construction pending obtainment of easements
- \$15,000 approved from Shallow Well Mitigation Program to fund meter-to-house connections.

Stark Street

- IWVWD Reimbursement Agreement executed.
- Emergency LAFCO process underway
- CEQA exemption filed as part of Dune 3
- Dune 3 bidding approved by State
- Self-Help sent out letters to Stark Street residents on hauled water delivery end date
- Notice of Consolidation letter for Stark Street residents sent out week of June 1

AGENDA ITEM 10d – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Data Collection and Monitoring

- Stetson, the Navy, and KCWA performed Spring 2026 water level measurement field work during week of March 9.
- Data from Spring 2026 water level measurements are being processed.
- Additional monitoring location involving a City of Ridgecrest detention pond adjacent to Little Lake fault was reviewed and determined to not be a priority data gap project.
- Staff have prepared a technical memo on potential monitoring locations and priority for potential funding opportunities.

- Staff have drafted letters requesting access to two Navy property wells to add to the groundwater monitoring network.

Subflow from Rose Valley to IWV

- Ongoing work with BLM regarding Cultural Survey and Permitting for second monitoring well
- Next steps: (1) obtain BLM concurrence on the scope of the cultural/archeological field survey, (2) conduct a cultural/archeological field survey, and (3) BLM Right-of-Way grant
- Periodic correspondence with BLM regarding delayed authorization of archeological survey at proposed RVS-2 well site.
- Continued coordination with BLM on permit to install next RVS Monitoring Well
 - In late October, the new BLM Archeologist, Liz Gonzalez Negrete, contacted Stetson regarding next steps on authorization to complete archeological field survey.
 - BLM requested an updated Request for Work Authorization via email and committed to moving the project forward
 - Updated Request for Work Authorization submitted to BLM
 - Epsilon met with BLM to discuss the planned archaeological survey to be scheduled
 - Following meeting with Epsilon and BLM, permit materials and supporting documents were provided.
- Navy/Coso contract for completing RVS Monitoring Well project deadline is August 31, 2026.
 - A no-cost deadline extension has been requested, awaiting Navy review.
- Reimbursement of RVS-1 well underway
 - Need to cancel “Grants Voucher” submitted in January 2024
 - Grants Voucher rejected by Navy on February 4, 2026
 - Invoice for RVS-1 to be resubmitted for reimbursement
 - Navy requested reimbursement for full amount to be submitted upon project completion.

ACTION(S) REQUIRED BY THE BOARD

There are no actions required by the Board.

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ACTUALS BY REVENUE ALLOCATION

		BUDGET	TOTAL ADJUSTED	Restricted Extraction	Restricted Second	Restricted	Restricted Shallow	Restricted	Restricted	Restricted Navy/COSO	\$	(A-B) \$	(B/A) %	
		ORIGINAL	AMENDMENTS	BUDGET	Transient Pool	Transient Pool	Augmentation	Well Mitigation	SGMA IP	EPA Grant	Fund	Total	REMAINING	COMPLETED
1	REVENUE													
2	Extraction Fee - Restricted	900,000	-	900,000	182,240	-	-	-	-	-	-	182,240	717,760	20%
3	Transfer In/Loan from Augmentation Fund	570,230	18,471	588,701	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	588,701	0%
4	Prior Year Fund Balance		283,409	283,409	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	283,409	0%
5	Augmentation Fee	3,243,315	(1,062,534)	2,180,781	-	-	4,719	-	-	-	-	4,719	2,176,062	0%
6	Transfer In/Loan Repayment from Extraction Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
7	Shallow Well Mitigation Fee	115,000	-	115,000	-	-	-	16,888	-	-	-	16,888	98,112	15%
8	Second Transient Pool Fee - Unrestricted	633,000	(633,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
9	Department of Water Resources (DWR) Grants -IP Grant	249,500	482,370	731,870	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	731,870	0%
10	Urban Community Drought Relief Grant Program	2,117,200	(491,500)	1,625,700	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,625,700	0%
11	EPA Resilience Grant	1,889,860	788,574	2,678,434	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,678,434	0%
12	Navy/COSO Royalty Fund	151,000	194,000	345,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	345,000	0%
13	Miscellaneous Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
14														0%
15	TOTAL REVENUES	9,869,105	(420,210)	9,448,895	182,240	-	4,719	16,888	-	-	-	203,847	9,245,048	2%
16	EXPENSES													
17	Administration													
18	Administration (RGS)	340,000	-	340,000	19,223		19,223	-	-	-	-	38,447	301,553	11%
19	Office Rent (City of Ridgecrest)	3,600	-	3,600	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	3,600	0%
20	Office Supplies	1,000	-	1,000	41		41	-	-	-	-	83	917	8%
21	Postage and Delivery	360	-	360	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	360	0%
22	External Audit	18,500	18,500	37,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	37,000	0%
23	Council Chambers/IT Services (City of Ridgecrest)	2,500	6,000	8,500	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	8,500	0%
24	General Counsel (Aleshire & Wynder/City of Ridgecrest)	428,000	(119,000)	309,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	309,000	0%
25	Additional Legal Services (Aleshire & Wynder/City of Ridgecrest)	60,000	(50,000)	10,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	0%
26	Additional Legal Services-Imported Water Pipeline (Aleshire & Wynder)	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
27	Insurance Premium	20,000	-	20,000	21,601		-	-	-	-	-	21,601	(1,601)	108%
28	Legal Notices (Daily Independent)	2,000	-	2,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	2,000	0%
29	Memberships (Cal. Assoc.Mutual Water Co)	100	-	100	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	100	0%
30	Printing and Reproduction	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
31	Bank Service Charges	100	-	100	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	100	0%
32														
33	Non-Departmental													
34	Other Legal Services (RWG Law)	1,500,000	(1,000,000)	500,000	-		90,139	-	-	-	-	90,139	409,861	18%
35	Lobbying Services (Capitol Core)	229,350	(12,725)	216,625	3,503		19,197	-	-	-	-	22,700	193,925	10%
36	Other Professional Services (Garrison Brothers)	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
37	California State Lands Commission	140	-	140	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	140	0%
38	Miscellaneous- IWVWD Grant Repayment	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
39	Repayment of City of Ridgecrest In-Kind Services	132,270	367,730	500,000			-	-	-	-	-	-	500,000	0%
40	Transfer Out from Second Tranisent Pool	570,230	(570,230)	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
41	Transfer Out/Loan to Extraction Fund	-	588,701	588,701	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	588,701	0%
42														
43	Community Engagement													
44	Design Services	180,000	(155,000)	25,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	25,000	0%
45	Printing and Reproduction	10,000	-	10,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	0%
46	Website Services	-	15,000	15,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	15,000	0%
47	Website	315	-	315	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	315	0%
48														
49	Shallow Well Mitigation Program													
50	Shallow Well Mitigation Emergency Assistance Program	50,000	-	50,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	0%
51	Shallow Well Mitigation Program: Outreach and Impacts Eval.(Stetson)	30,000	(15,000)	15,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	15,000	0%
52														
53	NAVY/COSO Program													

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ACTUALS BY REVENUE ALLOCATION

		TOTAL		Restricted	Restricted	Restricted	Restricted	Restricted	Restricted	(A-B)	(B/A)			
		BUDGET	ADJUSTED	Extraction	Second	Shallow			Navy/COSO	\$	\$	%		
		ORIGINAL	AMENDMENTS	BUDGET	Transient Pool	Transient Pool	Augmentation	Well Mitigation	SGMA IP	EPA Grant	Fund	Total	REMAINING	COMPLETED
54	Navy/Coso Royalty Fund: Rose Valley MW Permitting, Bid, Drilling (Stetson)	120,000	(75,000)	45,000	99		-	-	-	-	-	99	44,901	0%
55	Navy/Coso Royalty Fund: Develop Projects & Secure Funding (Stetson)	25,000	(10,000)	15,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	15,000	0%
56	Navy/Coso Royalty Fund: Cooperative Agreement	10,000	-	10,000	53		-	-	-	-	-	53	9,947	1%
57	Rose Valley Construction	151,000	149,000	300,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	300,000	0%
58														
59	Basin Management Administration													
60	Production Reporting, Transient Pool, and Fee Support (Stetson)	45,000	(10,000)	35,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	35,000	0%
61	Meetings and Prep (Stetson)	215,000	(45,000)	170,000	7,178		7,178	-	-	-	-	14,357	155,643	8%
62	Budget Support (Stetson)	15,000	-	15,000	1,517		-	-	-	-	-	1,517	13,483	10%
63	Stakeholder Coordination (Stetson)	5,000	-	5,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	5,000	0%
64	Litigation Support (Stetson)	140,000	(50,000)	90,000	-		62,840	-	-	-	-	62,840	27,160	70%
65														
66	Basin Management													
67	General Engineering (Stetson)	30,000	20,000	50,000	318		-	-	-	-	-	318	49,682	1%
68	TSS: El Paso Well Drilling Support (Stetson)	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
69	TSS: General Coordination/Application Support (Stetson)	2,500	7,500	10,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	0%
70	Coordination with DWR on GSP Review (Stetson)	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
71	GSP 5-Year Update (Stetson)	25,000	75,000	100,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	100,000	0%
72	Annual Report Preparation (Stetson)	75,000	-	75,000	3,732		-	-	-	-	-	3,732	71,268	5%
73	Data Management System Support (Stetson)	40,000	-	40,000	1,824		-	-	-	-	-	1,824	38,177	5%
74	Allocation Plan: Allocation Process & Transient Pool Support (Stetson)	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
75	Allocation Plan and Rules & Regs on Pumping/Restrictions (Stetson)	10,000	-	10,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	0%
76	Allocation Plan: Fallowing & Transient Pool Transfer Program (Stetson)	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
77	Configuration Management Plan (Stetson)	20,000	80,000	100,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	100,000	0%
78	General Project Management (Stetson)	40,000	-	40,000	1,273		-	-	-	-	-	1,273	38,728	3%
79	Model Transfer and Upgrade (Stetson)	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
80	Data Collection, Monitoring, and Data Gaps (Stetson)	225,000	-	225,000	3,849		-	-	-	-	-	3,849	221,151	2%
81	Imported Water: Negotiations and Coordination(Stetson)	10,000	-	10,000	-		843	-	-	-	-	843	9,157	8%
82	Imported Water: Engineering and Analysis(Stetson)	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
83	Recycled Water (Stetson)	10,000	15,000	25,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	25,000	0%
84	Planning Assistance to States: Army Corps Support (Stetson)	50,000	-	50,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	0%
85	Review of Outside Studies and Coordination (Stetson)	15,000												
86	Well Monitoring Services (WellIntel Inc.)	1,700												
87	Basin Management (Cont'd)													
88	Review of Outside Studies and Coordination (Stetson)		15,000	15,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	15,000	0%
89	Well Monitoring Services (WellIntel Inc.)		1,700	1,700	(1,835)		-	-	-	-	-	(1,835)	3,535	-108%
90												-	-	
91	Grant Management													
92	Grant Review and Application Preparation (Stetson)	75,000	-	75,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	75,000	0%
93	IP Grant Management													
94	IP Grant Administration	27,000	(15,735)	11,265	-		-	-	1,775		-	1,775	9,490	16%
95	Bureau of Land Management	200,000	(150,000)	50,000	-		-	-	25,000		-	25,000	25,000	50%
96	Southern California Edison	22,500												
97	Imported Water :Planning/Design/Environmental (Provost & Pritchard)	-	520,605	520,605	-		-	-	-		-	-	520,605	0%
98	Imported Water :Planning/Design/Environmental (Blue Mountain)	-	520,605	520,605	-		-	-	-		-	-	520,605	0%
99	Pipeline Design		-		-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
100	Mojave Tank Farm		-		-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
101	CEQ/NEPA		-		-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
102	Imported Water :Planning/Design/Environmental (Transystems)	-	150,000	150,000	-		-	-	-		-	-	150,000	0%
103	Imported Water :Planning/Design/Environmental (Not Grant Reimb)	-	37,630	37,630	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	37,630	0%
104	Antelope Valley East Kern Water Agency -Reimb Agreement	-	-	-	-		-	-	-		-	-	-	0%
105														
106	Urban Community Drought Relief Grant Program													

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		ACTUALS BY REVENUE ALLOCATION														
		BUDGET	TOTAL ADJUSTED	Restricted Extraction	Restricted Second	Restricted	Restricted Shallow	Restricted	Restricted	Restricted Navy/COSO	\$	(A-B) \$	(B/A) %			
		ORIGINAL	AMENDMENTS	BUDGET	Transient Pool	Transient Pool	Augmentation	Well Mitigation	SGMA IP	EPA Grant	Fund	Total	REMAINING	COMPLETED		
107	Urban Community Drought Relief Funding Administration (Stetson)	10,000	10,000	20,000	-		-	-	-	190		190	19,810	1%	107	
108	Shallow Well Consolidation Project (Stetson)- Plan/Design/Engin	50,000	(10,000)	40,000	-		-		-	3,811	-	3,811	36,189	10%	108	
109	Shallow Well Consolidation Project (IWVWD)-Planning/Design/Engineerir	195,300	1,420,400	1,615,700	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	1,615,700	0%	109	
110	Shallow Well Consolidation Project (IWVWD)-Construction	1,861,900													110	
111	Shallow Well Consolidation Project (IWVWD)-NonReimb	5,000													111	
112														0%	112	
113	EPA Resilience Grant														113	
114	EPA Grant Administration	27,000	(735)	26,265	-		-	-	-	8,365		8,365	17,901	32%	114	
115	Resilience Grant -Design/Environmental/ROW (Stetson)		116,667	116,667	-		-		-	-	-	-	116,667	0%	115	
116	Resilience Grant-Design (Stetson)	100,000	1,772,030	1,872,030	-		-	-	-	6,282	-	6,282	1,865,748	0%	116	
117	Resilience Grant-Environmental (Stetson)	29,000	187,805	216,805	-		-	-	-	1,019	-	1,019	215,786	0%	117	
118	Resilience Grant --Right of Way (Stetson)	14,000	78,182	92,182	-		-	-	-	616	-	616	91,567	1%	118	
119	Resilience Grant - Design (Provost & Pritchard)	990,500			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%	119	
120	Resilience Grant - Environmental (Provost & Pritchard)	132,610			-	-	-	-	-	4,499	-	4,499	(4,499)	0%	120	
121	Resilience Grant - ROW (Transystems)	231,500			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%	121	
122	Resilience Grant - Project Management (Blue Mountain)	123,750			-	-	-	-	-	25,713	-	25,713	(25,713)	0%	122	
123	Resilience Grant - Mojave Tank Analysis (Provost & Pritchard)		150,000	150,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	150,000	0%	123	
124	City of California City	1,000	-	1,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	0%	124	
125	Southern California Edison	100,000	15,000	115,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	115,000	0%	125	
126	Cal Trans	15,000	-	15,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	15,000	0%	126	
127	State Water Resources Control Board	15,000	(12,015)	2,985	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	2,985	0%	127	
128	California Department of Fish & Wildlife	69,500	-	69,500	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	69,500	0%	128	
129	California Department of Parks & Recreation	20,000													129	
130	CalOSHA	1,000	-	1,000	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	0%	130	
131	Union Pacific Railroad	20,000													131	
132	Planning/Design/Env - (Not Grant Reimburseable)	39,565	121,555	161,120	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	161,120	0%	132	
133			-												133	
134	TOTAL EXPENSES	9,234,790	4,159,170	9,969,500	62,376	-	199,462	-	26,775	50,493	-	339,106	5,165,633	3%	134	
135															135	
136	Surplus (Deficit)	634,315	(4,579,380)	(520,605)	119,864	-	(194,742)	16,888	(26,775)	(50,493)	-	(135,258)			136	

CASH BALANCE

May 2026 Activity

Cash Receipts (Receipts over \$50,000 and all grants are detailed)

Augmentation/Extraction/SWM	\$ 173,280.98
Second Transient Pool	
Consolidation	
All Other Cash Receipts	88.58
Total Cash Receipts	<u>\$ 173,369.56</u>

Cash Disbursements (Obligation payments are detailed)

Warrants	
Total Cash Disbursements	<u>\$ -</u>

Cash Balance

Prior Month to Current Month Ending Balance Reconciliation

April Cash Balance By Investment

Kern County Treasurer	\$ 8,982,939.78
AltaOne Credit Union	155.76
Total End of Month Cash Balance	<u>\$ 8,983,095.54</u>

May Activity

Cash Receipts	\$ 173,369.56
Cash Disbursements	-
Banking Adjustment Pending	-
Total End of Month Activity	<u>\$ 173,369.56</u>

May Ending Cash Balance \$ 9,156,465.10

Less: Outstanding Warrants Approved-Pending Processing

Less: Outstanding Warrants -Pending Approval 2025 (132,266.24)

Less: Outstanding Warrants -Pending Approval 2026 (1,722,132.34)

Total Available Cash By Activity \$ 7,302,066.52

May Cash Balance by Investment

Kern County Treasurer	\$ 8,982,939.78
AltaOne - In Transit to Kern County	173,525.32
Total End of Month Balance	<u>\$ 9,156,465.10</u>
Less: Outstanding Warrants	<u>(1,854,398.58)</u>
Total Available Cash by Investment	<u>\$ 7,302,066.52</u>

Cash Receipts are deposited in AltaOne Credit Union and sent electronically to Kern County

Treasurer. Cash in Transit at month end will be reflected in the Kern County Treasurer balance.

Warrants are approved by IWVGA Board and administratively processed by IWVGA staff. Warrants are executed by Kern County staff. Outstanding Warrants are vendor invoices received and not yet paid.

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Monthly Activity Report

June 2026

Prepared by Westbound Communications

Media Activity

Press Release: *"The Phase 2 of Adjudication Will Define Basin Safe Yield, but Sustainability Work Continues"*



IWVGA: Phase 2 of adjudication will define basin safe yield, but sustainability work continues

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Press release from the Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority:

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Phase 2 is a critical milestone in the adjudication process that will ultimately affect pumping in the basin. What it will not do, however, is change the fundamental challenge water users face. In 2024, legally required reporting of all pumps in the valley showed that 20,840 acre-feet was pumped from the basin, which is far more than either estimate presented of what the basin can sustain.

"It's important for our community to understand that the court process and the long-term work of managing this basin are not the same thing," said Scott Harmon, chair of the Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority. "Phase 2 will help establish a foundational scientific and legal record. But the obligation to bring this basin to sustainability by 2040 under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act continues regardless of how the court rules."

THE ADJUDICATION JOURNEY

Phase 1 of the adjudication addressed the federal reserve water right held by the U.S. Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake. In a final statement of decision issued in September 2023, the judge capped the Navy's federal right at 2,000 acre-feet per year, significantly lower than the 6,500 acre-feet per year requested by the Navy.

Phase 2 will determine the basin's safe yield. The parties to the case, including the groundwater authority, the water district, the Navy and other water users in the basin, will present expert testimony and evidence. The judge will determine, based on that evidence, what is the basin's safe yield.

A court ruling on safe yield is one input into the larger work of bringing the basin into balance. It does not, by itself, achieve sustainability or end the regulatory framework that applies to the basin. Overall, the IWVGA has opposed the adjudication because it ties up the basin in years of litigation, delaying action to address the very active groundwater depletion that is continuing year-over-year.

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To put this in perspective, in 2024, groundwater pumpers in the valley extracted 20,840 acre-feet from the basin —significantly exceeding both the Authority's estimated safe yield of 7,650 acre-feet per year and the Water District's estimate of 14,300 acre-feet per year. The numbers given by either side tell a clear story: groundwater use continues to outpace what the basin can sustainably provide.

While Phase 2 is an important milestone, IWVGA's work to bring the basin into balance by 2040 continues. As the basin's Groundwater Sustainability Agency, IWVGA remains focused on meeting state requirements, reducing overdraft, and protecting the long-term future of our community.

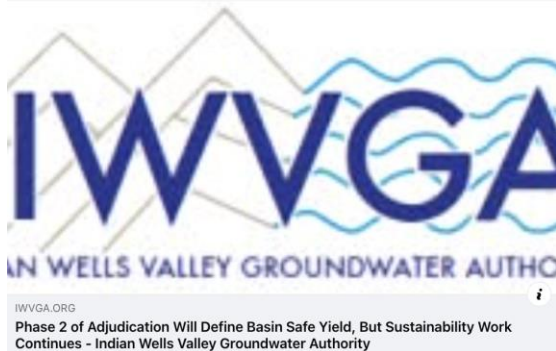
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Learn more about the adjudication journey here: [See less](#)

At the June 10, 2026, IWVGA meeting, the board of directors unanimously voted to submit comments to the California Energy Commission on the proposed RB Inyokern Data Center. The comments will focus on the groundwater conditions and concerns in the Indian Wells Valley basin. IWVGA would like to thank members of the public who attended the meeting and provided public input on this agenda item. IWVGA will provide an update on this item at the next board meeting scheduled for July 8, 2026. [See less](#)

Action taken at Board Meeting
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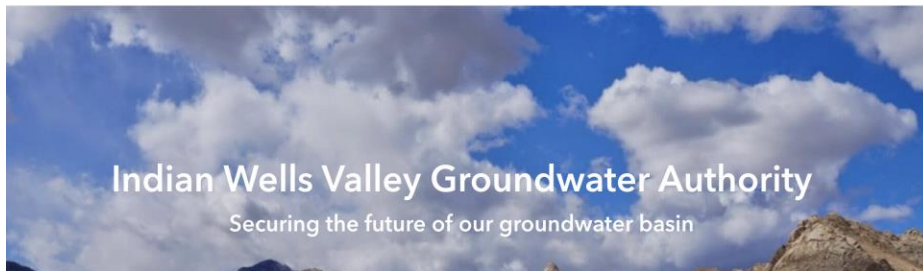
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To: April Keigwin, General Manager IWVGA
From: Michael W. McKinney, President
cc: IWVGA Board of Directors
Date: July 8, 2026
Subject: Project Update Memorandum – June 2026 Activities

The following update summarizes Capitol Core Group activities for June 2026.

PROJECT 1: IMPORTED WATER SUPPLIES

Capitol Core Group continued to work with staff regarding potential water supplies for the Basin.

PROJECT 2: WATER REPLENISHMENT PIPELINE

Construction Activities

Capitol Core continues to work with Stetson Engineers and consultants to review the permitting and regulatory processes for the interconnection pipeline.

PROJECT 3: OTHER PROJECTS SUPPORTING THE GSP

State of California Legislative Affairs

State Budget

Governor Newsom and the California Legislature passed the final budget under the Governor's administration on June 26th. The full bill text can be found [here](#) and a summary of the budget details is [here](#). Regarding water resources, select programs that were funded include:

- \$200 million for the Multibenefit Land Repurposing Program (see details below)
- \$25 million for the Healthy Rivers and Landscapes Program

Capitol Core is reviewing further the specific line items for the Department of Water Resources and will report back if the budget funds further pertinent programs to the GA.

California Multi-Benefit Land Repurposing Program

The MLRP is a state-funded program that converts fallowed farmland into other uses such as natural habitats, pollinator habitats, water banking facilities, etc. Capitol Core has brought this program to the public's attention in past cycles, but the community has not identified a project that may be eligible for funding. For 2026, the State of California has designated \$200 million through the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024 ("Climate Bond") for the program. The State anticipates it will release draft guidelines for the program in summer 2026 with an anticipated application window opening in Fall 2026. A project needs to be identified if the IWVGA plans to pursue this funding. More information on the program is available [here](#).

2026 Legislative Review

Please see the separate item on legislation and regulatory items related to data centers.

Federal Government

Federal Appropriations

Both Senators Schiff and Padilla submitted the IWVGA's \$5 million appropriations request for the interconnection pipeline. This request, if approved will be to appropriate the first tranche of \$50 million that Capitol Core successfully authorized for the project in the 2024 Water Resources Development Act. The Senate has not made a determination as to when they will pick up the Energy and Water Development appropriations bill. The Senate plans to be in session for the remainder of July and the first week of August and adjourn for summer recess starting on August 8th. Capitol Core will continue to monitor the progress on these bills for when they will be scheduled for a committee markup.

Federal Elected Officials and Departments Meeting

Capitol Core conducted a series of legislative meetings with our Congressional delegation and pertinent departments in June to discuss a variety of water infrastructure and funding related topics.

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LAST UPDATE: CALIFORNIA POLICY COMMITTEE DEADLINE

Primary Legislation

Legislation of significant impact on operations or interest. Legislation where a public position might be taken with the Legislative body. Updates are provided to staff as events occur.



Indicating a public position of Support with written documentation and active advocacy



Indicating a public position of oppose with written documentation and active advocacy



Indicating a neutral or no public position taken on a bill of significant impact.



Presenting amendment language to the legislation that would change the public position from neutral to support



Indicating a public position of oppose but presenting amendment language that would remove opposition to the legislation



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No Primary Federal Bills of Interest.



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VERSION:	AB 1413 (Papan):	Groundwater Adjudication
POSITION:	As Amended	09/02/2025
STATUS:		Senate Floor

SUMMARY: This bill would ensure that a comprehensive adjudication of groundwater rights in a basin does not interfere with the timely completion and implementation of a groundwater sustainability plan. Further, it avoids redundancy and unnecessary costs in developing technical information and a physical solution. Lastly, it is consistent with the attainment of sustainable groundwater management within the timeframes established by the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. Hostile amendments in the Senate Committee on Appropriations have changed IWVGA's position on AB 1413 to oppose. Recommendation is for Author to "park" the bill pending leadership change in the Senate. Amendment at ready for submittal.

UPDATE:	AB 1577 (Bauer-Kahan)	Data Centers: Reporting
VERSION:	As Amended	07/02/2026
POSITION:		
STATUS:	Senate Committee on Appropriations – Pending Hearing Senate Committee on the Judiciary – Do Pass 11-2 Senate Committee on Energy, Utilities, and Communications – Do Pass 13-4	

SUMMARY: This bill requires data centers to report monthly energy usage and efficiency information to the California Energy Commission (CEC). The CEC must integrate this data into the 2029 Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) and annually publish the data in an anonymized and aggregated format for the public. Additionally, data centers must submit similar energy and efficiency information to local agencies when requesting authorization to construct or operate a data center. **The amendments require biennial reports and**

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attempt to address data concerns over security and privacy by allowing the CEC to develop confidentiality.

UPDATE:	AB 2125 (Bennett):	Groundwater Basins: Adjudications: Notice
VERSION:	As Amended	03/25/2026
POSITION:		
STATUS:		Senate Floor – Pending Vote (recommended to Consent) Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Water – Do Pass 7-0 Senate Committee on Judiciary – Do Pass 12-0

SUMMARY: This bill would impose additional requirements on a plaintiff when filing the notice of completion of mailing. The bill would require the plaintiff to include with the notice of completion an affidavit of the person who mailed the notice and the certified or registered mail delivery receipt for each parcel showing the date, time, and place of mailing. The bill would also require the affidavit to be signed by the party to be served or their legally authorized representative. If a return receipt is not received for a parcel of real property, the bill would require the plaintiff to also include with the notice of completion an delivery receipt of the person who posted the notice specifying the date, time, and physical location of each parcel where the posting occurred, accompanied by a photograph depicting the posted notice.

UPDATE:	AB 2469 (Papan)	Data Centers: Water Use Disclosures
VERSION:	As Amended	07/02/2026
POSITION:		
STATUS:		Senate Floor – Pending Vote Senate Committee on Local Government – Do Pass 5-2 Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Water – Do Pass 4-1

SUMMARY: Prohibits a local agency from approving construction of a new, or expansion of an existing, data center unless an applicant for a data center project provides the local agency with detailed information regarding the data center’s water use and meets other requirements related to workforce and infrastructure for the data center. **The amendments now require DWR to definition of “annual water consumption.”**

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UPDATE:	AB 2619 (Papan)	Water Resources: Data Centers
VERSION:	As Amended	06/15/2026
POSITION:		
STATUS:		Senate Floor Senate Committee on Local Government – Do Pass 5-2 Senate Committee Natural Resources and Water – Do Pass 5-1

SUMMARY: Requires data center developers to provide information on water use to water suppliers and local governments prior to being issued a business license and upon renewal of a business license and requires urban water suppliers to consider data center demand in water shortage planning.

Programmatic and Funding Requests

Programmatic funding refers to requests made to Congress to fund or authorize federal programs, projects, or agency activities at specific levels during the annual appropriations process.

Legislatively Directed Spending Requests.



FEDERAL PROGRAMMATIC LANGUAGE



CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING REQUEST

IWVGA PROJECT:	Water Replenishment Pipeline
FEDERAL NEXUS:	Authorized Project Water Resources Development: Environmental Infrastructure: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Civil Works
LEGISLATIVE STATUS:	HR 9022 – Reported (34-25) Senate Legislation Pending

SUMMARY: Requesting \$5,000,000.00 from the *Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2027* under the USACE Civil Works Construction program to initiate the construction start of the Water Replenishment Pipeline.

REQUEST STATUS: Request submitted to Rep. Fong – request not submitted
Request accepted by Senator Schiff – to Senate Committee on Appropriations
Request accepted by Senator Padilla – to Senate Committee on Appropriations



STATE BUDGET REQUESTS FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027

None submitted for consideration to the 2026 State Budget Act.

Legislation of Interest

Legislation of interest but not significant impact to operations. No public position is taken. No direct advocacy actions are taken. Updates are provided monthly unless the amendment warrants immediate notification to staff.

California "spot bills" are included in the Watch Bill List. This legislation is a placeholder, making non-substantive changes to the code in anticipation of later amendments to meet legislative deadlines.



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	Restoring WIFIA Eligibility Act	S. 1760 (Curtis, R-UT)
ACTIONS:	Senate Committee on Budget	
VERSION:	As Reported	

SUMMARY: This bill would make a Congressional finding that amounts appropriated to the Water Infrastructure Financing and Investment program are not included within the National debt amounts and clarifies the program as private lending backed by the U.S. government.

	More Water Act	S. 3738 (Padilla, D-CA)
ACTIONS:	Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works	
VERSION:	As Introduced	

SUMMARY: S. 3738 has two sections. The first amends reauthorizes the large-scale (\$500 million or more) water recycling funding assistance program (Western Waters Provision) within the *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act* ("Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill"). Reauthorization of this section of IJA is a priority for California Dems but does not have much support from the Administration.

The second section establishes a competitive grant program for water conveyance projects, and criteria for selecting conveyance projects based on federal benefits, design, and critical needs. The bill also addresses cost-sharing requirements, with federal contributions capped at 50% for conveyance projects, and outlines exceptions for multi-benefit projects. The bill authorizes \$500 million for the Water Conveyance Improvement Program, with specific allocations for environmental restoration activities.

NEW:	NIDIS Reauthorization Act	S. 3912 (Sheehy, R-MT)
ACTIONS:	Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation	
VERSION:	As Introduced	

SUMMARY: S Reauthorizes and amends the National Integrated Drought Information System Act of 2006. The bill aims to enhance the United States' capabilities in drought monitoring, prediction, and response. It affects entities involved in weather and climate programs, particularly those within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). The bill introduces new provisions to incorporate flash-drought research, improve subseasonal-to-seasonal precipitation and temperature predictions, and continue research on drought impacts and variability. It emphasizes advancing next-generation technologies, using observational networks, refining drought indicators, and optimizing federal data resources. Additionally, it mandates establishing memoranda of

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understanding with the National Mesonet Program for coordinated data sharing and requires the Under Secretary to develop a plan to integrate existing NOAA drought products into probabilistic forecasts within one year of enactment. The bill authorizes \$80 million in appropriations over five fiscal years, starting with \$15 million in 2026 and increasing incrementally to \$17 million by 2030.



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UPDATE:	AB 2728 (Soria)	Groundwater: Extraction: De Minimis Users: Fee Exemption
VERSION:	As Amended	06/11/2026
STATUS:		Senate Floor – Pending Vote (recommended to Consent) Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Water – Do Pass 7-0

SUMMARY: This bill would authorize a local government, including, but not limited to, a groundwater sustainability agency, that imposes a fee, levy, charge, or exaction for groundwater monitoring or management, upon making specified findings, to exempt de minimis extractors, including the above-described regulated users, from the payment of the fee, levy, charge, or exaction, as provided..

UPDATE:	AB 2739 (Soria)	Community Water Affordability and System Stabilization Program
VERSION:	As Amended	07/02/2026
STATUS:		Senate Floor – Pending Vote (recommended to Consent) Senate Committee on Environmental Quality – Do Pass 7-0 Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Water – Do Pass 7-0

SUMMARY: This bill would establish the Community Water Affordability Program to provide funding in the form of grants to local water suppliers for water system repairs, rehabilitation, and enhancements, water safety and quality, and other local water system infrastructure projects, for the purpose of reducing the amount of local ratepayer funding required for those projects. The bill would require the department, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to develop and administer the program. The bill would require the department to develop and adopt program guidelines and project solicitation documents before disbursing grant funds. The bill would require the program guidelines to require an applicant for a grant to provide at least 50% of the total funding required for the project, as provided. The bill would authorize the department to waive or reduce that minimum amount if that requirement would cause extreme financial hardship to the applicant. The bill would also establish the Community Water Affordability Assistance

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Fund in the State Treasury. The bill would make moneys in the fund available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the department for the purposes of the program. Amendments limit the infrastructure application to disadvantaged census tracts.

UPDATED:	SB 997 (Caballero)	North Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency
VERSION:	ENROLLED	07/01/2026
STATUS:		Assembly Floor – Passed 73-0 Assembly Committee on the Judiciary – Do Pass 12-0 Assembly Committee on Water, Parks and Wildlife – Do Pass 11-0

SUMMARY: This bill would authorize the agency to impose civil penalties on any person who extracts groundwater in excess of the amount that person is authorized to extract under a rule, regulation, ordinance, or resolution adopted by the agency. If any charges for water and other services, or civil penalties imposed by the agency pursuant to its authority, remain unpaid, the bill would authorize the amount of unpaid charges or penalties, in the discretion of the agency, to be secured at any time by filing for record in the office of the county recorder of any county a certificate specifying the amount of the charges or penalties and the name and address of the person liable for the charges. The bill would require that, from the time of recordation of the certificate, the amount required to be paid together with interest and penalties would constitute a lien upon all real property in the county owned by the person or afterwards, and before the lien expired, acquired by that person. The bill would require that the lien has the force, priority, and effect of a judgment lien, and that the lien shall continue for 10 years from the date of the filing of the certificate unless sooner released or otherwise discharged. The bill would also authorize the lien to be extended, as provided.

Federal Appropriations and State Budget

Providing a report on current fiscal year federal appropriations and State of California Budget information of interest.

General advocacy in support of operations and interest is provided.



FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2027 APPROPRIATIONS

UPDATE:

BGOV OnPoints		HOUSE			SENATE			CONFERENCE	
		Subcommittee	Committee	House Vote	Subcommittee	Committee	Senate Vote	House	Senate
Energy & Water Development	People & Contacts	News & Analysis	H.R. 9022 5/14/2026 Voice Vote	H.R. 9022 5/19/2026 Vote 34 – 25 H. Rept. 119–667					
Defense	People & Contacts	News & Analysis	H.R. 6/10/2026 Voice Vote Draft Text	H.R. 6/23/2026 Vote 34 – 27 Draft Text					
Interior–Environment	People & Contacts	News & Analysis	H.R. 5/20/2026 Roll Call	H.R. 6/2/2026 Vote 35 – 27					
Military Construction– Veterans Affairs	People & Contacts	News & Analysis	H.R. 8469 4/16/2026 Voice Vote	H.R. 8469 4/20/2026 Roll Call H. Rept. 119–622	H.R. 8469 5/14/2026 Vote 400 – 15				



STATE OF CALIFORNIA 2026-2027 STATE BUDGET ACT

UPDATE -- PASSAGE

1. Proposition 4 Bond Funding

The single biggest structural change is the implementation of Proposition 4, the \$10 billion climate bond approved by voters in 2024.

The administration continues a multiyear expenditure plan that spreads funding across:

- water resilience,
- flood protection,
- wildfire prevention,
- biodiversity,
- coastal resilience,

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- and climate adaptation programs.

For 2026-27 specifically, the Governor proposes large allocations including:

- flood management funding,
- drinking water infrastructure,
- water recycling projects,
- wildfire resilience programs,
- and ecosystem restoration.

A key policy shift is that the administration increasingly uses Proposition 4 funds to replace existing General Fund obligations rather than layering new spending on top of prior appropriations. The LAO specifically noted that this frees up General Fund resources for other statewide priorities while limiting expansion of natural resources programs.

Department of Water Resources (DWR) — Detailed Changes

Continued Emphasis on Flood Protection

DWR remains heavily focused on:

- flood risk reduction,
- levee improvements,
- dam safety,
- and climate resilience planning.

One of the clearest May Revision priorities is preserving federally partnered flood projects.

The budget proposes:

- **\$12.5 million total** for Urban Flood Risk Reduction projects,
 - including:
 - \$8.7 million General Fund,
 - \$3.8 million Proposition 4 funding.

This funding supports:

- planning,
- engineering,
- inspections,
- monitoring,
- and project closeout work required for Army Corps of Engineers flood projects.

The administration warned that without this support California could jeopardize major federal flood funding partnerships.

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Proposition 4 Fund Shifts Affecting DWR

The administration proposes shifting previously approved DWR activities from the General Fund to Proposition 4 bond funding.

Key DWR shifts include:

- **\$47 million** for dam safety programs,
- **\$15 million** for systemwide flood risk reduction.

This does not create new programs; instead it:

- preserves existing commitments,
- reduces General Fund pressure,
- and reallocates costs to bond financing.

The LAO emphasized this is fundamentally a fiscal strategy rather than a policy expansion.

Water Resilience Funding Continues but at Reduced Overall Levels

DWR continues receiving support for:

- drought resilience,
- watershed planning,
- Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM),
- groundwater sustainability,
- and climate adaptation projects.

However:

- the extraordinary drought-era appropriations from 2021-2024 are largely winding down,
- overall departmental spending is lower than recent peaks,
- and more projects now depend on bond funding rather than direct General Fund appropriations.

Limited New State Water Project Expansion

The May Revision does not significantly expand State Water Project operations or launch major new statewide infrastructure initiatives.

Instead, the focus is:

- maintaining existing infrastructure,
- resilience upgrades,
- and preserving flood system reliability.

This reflects the administration's broader budget-balancing strategy.

State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) — Detailed Changes

Significant Reduction in Overall Spending

The SWRCB sees one of the largest declines among water agencies because prior one-time drought and infrastructure appropriations are expiring.

The board's total funding declines substantially due to:

- sunset of emergency drought programs,
- expiration of temporary infrastructure spending,
- and reduced one-time climate appropriations.

However, core regulatory and drinking water programs are largely maintained.

Drinking Water Infrastructure Becomes a Central Priority

A major share of Proposition 4 water funding flows through SWRCB-administered programs.

The Governor proposes:

- **\$173 million** for drinking water programs,
- focused heavily on disadvantaged communities and water system reliability.

Additional funding supports:

- SAFER drinking water implementation,
- small system consolidation,
- emergency drinking water assistance,
- and water quality compliance efforts.

The administration continues prioritizing:

- safe drinking water access,
 - environmental justice communities,
 - and failing small water systems.
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Water Recycling and Reuse Expansion

SWRCB remains central to California's recycled water strategy.

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The May Revision includes:

- **\$78 million** for water recycling investments under Proposition 4.

The administration ties this directly to California's long-term Water Supply Strategy goal of increasing recycled water production statewide.

Funding supports:

- recycled water infrastructure,
- wastewater reuse,
- stormwater capture,
- and local drought-resilience projects.

The budget also notes SWRCB would use early-year funding for:

- updating grant guidelines,
- preparing competitive solicitations,
- and developing implementation frameworks before full-scale project rollout.

Expanded Regulatory and Permitting Workload

The May Revision also acknowledges increased SWRCB regulatory responsibilities after the federal Sackett v. EPA decision narrowed federal wetlands jurisdiction.

As a result, California must assume greater state-level oversight responsibility for certain waters and wetlands permitting activities.

The administration proposes additional ongoing staffing and permit-support resources to manage:

- waste discharge permits,
- wetlands oversight,
- and water quality enforcement responsibilities.

Stormwater and Local Government Relief

The budget package continues broader discussions around:

- municipal stormwater permit compliance costs,
- local government flexibility,
- and implementation timing for water quality mandates.

This reflects ongoing tension between:

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- aggressive water quality regulation,
 - and affordability concerns for local agencies.
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Key Natural Resources Themes Across Both DWR and SWRCB

1. Transition From Emergency Spending to Long-Term Resilience

California is moving away from:

- emergency drought response,
- pandemic-era infrastructure surges,
- and rapid climate spending packages.

The May Revision instead prioritizes:

- long-term resilience,
 - infrastructure maintenance,
 - and targeted adaptation investments.
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2. Proposition 4 Becomes the Primary Funding Engine

The May Revision makes Proposition 4 the backbone of:

- flood funding,
- drinking water investments,
- water recycling,
- and climate adaptation spending.

Rather than creating major new General Fund programs, the administration increasingly substitutes bond dollars for existing obligations.

3. Fiscal Restraint Shapes Environmental Policy

The May Revision reflects California's broader fiscal challenges:

- deficits,
- revenue volatility,
- and uncertainty around federal funding.

As a result:

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- departments retain core functions,
- but few major new permanent expansions are proposed,
- and agencies are expected to rely more on bonds and special funds going forward.

Items Removed from Report



Final Legislative Action Items reported previously.

Legislation no longer of interest ("Amended Out") as previously reported.

BILLS REMOVED FROM REPORT

None this month.

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