

CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER



NOTICE OF MEETING

Thursday, May 28, 2026

11:00 a.m. – Watermaster Board Meeting

**CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
WATERMASTER BOARD MEETING**

11:00 a.m. – May 28, 2026

Mr. Marty Zvirbulis, Chair

Mr. Jeff Pierson, Vice-Chair

Mr. Bob Bowcock, Secretary/Treasurer

At The Offices Of

Chino Basin Watermaster

9641 San Bernardino Road

Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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AGENDA – ADDITIONS/REORDER

SAFETY MINUTE

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

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A. MINUTES

Approve as presented:

Minutes of the Watermaster Board Meeting held April 23, 2026 (*Page 1*)

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Receive and file as presented:

Monthly Financial Reports for the Periods Ended February 28, 2026, and March 31, 2026 (*Page 5*)

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. WATERMASTER FISCAL YEAR 2026/27 BUDGET (*Page 35*)

Adopt the Watermaster Fiscal Year 2026/27 Budget as presented.

III. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. WATERMASTER LEGAL COUNSEL

1. June 12, 2026, Court Hearing (Watermaster Motion for Approval of Corrected and Amended Assessment Packages; Request for Approval of Intervention of San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians)
2. Inland Empire Utilities Agency, et al. v. LS-Fontana LLC (C.D. Cal Cases Nos.: 5:25-cv-00809, 5:25 cv01159)
3. Court of Appeal Case No. E088249 (City of Ontario appeal re: January 30, 2026 Attorney Fees Ruling)

B. ENGINEER

1. Final Draft 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation Report and Workshop
2. Annual Report for the Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Program
3. Data Collection and Evaluation Report

C. GENERAL MANAGER

1. Other

IV. INFORMATION

A. RECHARGE INVESTIGATION AND PROJECTS COMMITTEE (PROJECT 23a STATUS) *(Page 146)*

V. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

VII. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION

Pursuant to Article II, Section 2.6, of the Watermaster Rules & Regulations, a Confidential Session may be held during the Watermaster Board meeting for the purpose of discussion and possible action.

None

VIII. FUTURE MEETINGS AT WATERMASTER

05/28/26	Thu	9:30 a.m.	Watermaster Orientation (in person only)
05/28/26	Thu	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board
06/11/26	Thu	9:00 a.m.	Appropriative Pool Committee
06/11/26	Thu	11:00 a.m.	Non-Agricultural Pool Committee
06/11/26	Thu	1:30 p.m.	Agricultural Pool Committee
06/11/26	Thu	3:30 p.m.	Rules & Regulations Ad Hoc Committee
06/18/26	Thu	9:00 a.m.	Advisory Committee
06/25/26	Thu	9:30 a.m.	Watermaster Orientation (in person only)
06/25/26	Thu	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board

ADJOURNMENT

DRAFT MINUTES
CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
WATERMASTER BOARD MEETING

April 23, 2026

The Watermaster Board meeting was held at the offices of the Chino Basin Watermaster located at 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, CA, and via Zoom (conference call and web meeting) on April 23, 2026.

WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Jeff Pierson, Vice-Chair	Agricultural Pool – Crops
Brian Geye for Bob Bowcock	Non-Agricultural Pool – CalMat Co.
Eunice Ulloa for Curt Burton	City of Chino
Mike Gardner	Western Municipal Water District
Bob Kuhn	Three Valleys Municipal Water District
Jimmy Medrano	Agricultural Pool – State of CA
Bill Velto	City of Upland

WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Marty Zvirbulis, Chair	Fontana Water Company
Bob Bowcock, Secretary/Treasurer	Non-Agricultural Pool – CalMat Co
Curt Burton	City of Chino
Steve Elie	Inland Empire Utilities Agency

WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT

Todd Corbin	General Manager
Edgar Tellez Foster	Water Resources Mgmt. & Planning Director
Anna Nelson	Director of Administration
Frank Yoo	Data Services and Judgment Reporting Manager
Daniela Uriarte	Senior Accountant
Ruby Favela Quintero	Executive Assistant
Alonso Jurado	Water Resources Senior Associate
Kirk Richard Dolar	Administrative Analyst
Jordan Garcia	Water Resources Associate
Erik Vides	Senior Field Operations Specialist
Noemi Medrano	Administrative Assistant

WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Brad Herrema	Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP
Andy Malone	West Yost
Garrett Rapp	West Yost

OTHERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Bob Feenstra	Agricultural Pool – Dairy
Lewis Callahan	Agricultural Pool – State of CA
Tariq Awan	Agricultural Pool – State of CA
Ben Orosco	City of Chino
Scott Burton	City of Ontario
Chris Diggs	City of Pomona
Nicole deMoet	City of Upland
Amanda Coker	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Jiwon Seung	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Bryan Smith	Jurupa Community Services District
Chris Berch	Jurupa Community Services District
Eddie Lin	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
John Russ	Inland Empire Utilities Agency

Aimee Zhao
Michelle Licea
Kati Parker
Laura Roughton

Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Monte Vista Water District
San Antonio Water Company
Western Municipal Water District

OTHERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Gino Filippi
Tom O'Neill
Hye Jin Lee
Ron Craig
Alexis Mascarinas
Chad Nishida
Courtney Jones
Norberto Ferreira
Eduardo Espinoza
Mark Gibboney
Derek Hoffman
Toby Moore
Eddie Lin
John Schatz
Clifford Button
Jesse Pompa
Manny Martinez
Stephanie Reimer
David De Jesus
Jeff Hanlon
Sylvie Lee
Jake Loukeh
Richard Rees

Agricultural Pool – Crops
Chino Basin Desalter Authority
City of Chino
City of Chino Hills
City of Ontario
City of Ontario
City of Ontario
City of Upland
Cucamonga Valley Water District
Cucamonga Valley Water District
Fennemore Law
Golden State Water Company
Inland Empire Utilities Agency
John J. Schatz, Attorney at Law
Jurupa Community Services District
Jurupa Community Services District
Monte Vista Water District
Monte Vista Water District
Three Valleys Municipal Water District
Three Valleys Municipal Water District
Three Valleys Municipal Water District
Western Municipal Water District
WSP USA

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Pierson chaired and called the Watermaster Board meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

FLAG SALUTE

(00:00:38) Vice-Chair Pierson led the Board in the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

(00:01:12) Ms. Nelson conducted the roll call and announced that a quorum was present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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None

AGENDA – ADDITIONS/REORDER

None

SAFETY MINUTE

(00:02:41) Mr. Corbin informed the Board that Watermaster staff completed their first earthquake safety training, focused on personal safety and identifying appropriate cover areas at their respective locations and emphasized the importance of having these plans in place to keep safe during an earthquake.

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A. MINUTES

Approve as presented:

1. Minutes of the Watermaster Board Meeting held March 26, 2026

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

February and March financials are being deferred to the May 2026 meetings.

(00:04:12)

Motion by Mr. Bob Kuhn, seconded by Mr. Bill Velto, there being no dissent, the item passed unanimously by voice vote among those present.

Moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF WATERMASTER RULES AND REGULATIONS – SECTION 2.10

Discussion only.

(00:04:34) Mr. Corbin gave a report. A discussion ensued. The Board directed staff to assist with a kick-off of the Ad Hoc Committee to review specific issues and questions and report back within 90 days.

B. AWARD OF THREE-YEAR CONTRACT FOR FINANCIAL AUDIT SERVICES

Approve the audit engagement letter with Rogers, Anderson, Malody & Scott, LLP (RAMS), as presented, and authorize the General Manager to execute the contract on behalf of Watermaster.

(00:22:54) Mr. Corbin gave a report.

(00:26:00)

Motion by Mr. Mike Gardner, seconded by Mr. Bill Velto, there being no dissent, the item passed unanimously by voice vote among those present.

Moved to approve Business Item II.B. as presented.

III. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. WATERMASTER LEGAL COUNSEL

1. March 27, 2026 Court Hearing (Watermaster Motion for Court to Receive and File 48th Annual Report)
2. June 12, 2026 Court Hearing (Watermaster Motion for Approval of Corrected and Amended Assessment Packages; Request for Approval of Intervention of San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians)
3. Inland Empire Utilities Agency, et al. v. LS-Fontana LLC (C.D. Cal Cases Nos.: 5:25-cv-00809, 5:25 cv01159)
4. Court of Appeal Case No. E088249 (City of Ontario appeal re: January 30, 2026 Attorney Fees Ruling)

(00:26:29) Mr. Herrema gave a report. A discussion ensued.

B. ENGINEER

1. 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation
2. PBHSP – Recommended Scope and Budget for 2026/27
3. 2025 Maximum Benefit Annual Report to the Regional Board
4. Evaluation of Minimum Recharge Quantity in Management Zone 1

(00:30:08) Mr. Malone introduced Mr. Rapp to report on Item 1 and proceeded to report on Items 2 and 3. Mr. Rapp concluded the engineer's report and gave an update on Item 4.

C. GENERAL MANAGER

1. Fiscal Year 2026/27 Budget
2. Fiscal Year 2025/26 Assessment Package
3. Personnel Committee Meeting on April 13, 2026
4. Other

(00:43:13) For Item 1, Mr. Corbin informed the Board that Budget Workshop #2 is scheduled for April 28, 2026. For Item 2, Mr. Corbin informed the Board that the Assessment Package process will take place in May. For Item 3, Mr. Corbin invited Mr. Tellez Foster to give a presentation on staffing plans for the Operations team. For Item 4, Mr. Corbin wished everyone a Happy Earth Day. A discussion ensued.

IV. INFORMATION

A. CHINO AIRPORT AND SOUTH ARCHIBALD PLUMES SEMI-ANNUAL STATUS REPORTS

(00:58:30) Mr. Malone gave a report.

V. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

None

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

None

VII. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION

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None

ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chair Pierson adjourned the Watermaster Board meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Secretary: _____

Approved: _____



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STAFF REPORT

DATE: May 2026

TO: Watermaster Committees & Board

SUBJECT: Monthly Financial Reports (For the Reporting Periods Ended February 28, 2026 and March 31, 2026) (Consent Calendar Item I.B.)

Issue: Record of Monthly Financial Reports for the reporting periods ended February 28, 2026 and March 31, 2026 [Normal Course of Business]

Recommendation: Receive and file Monthly Financial Reports for the reporting period ended February 28, 2026 and March 31, 2026 as presented.

Financial Impact: Unless otherwise noted, all expenditures were included in the Fiscal Year 2025/26 budget as approved by the Advisory Committee and adopted by the Watermaster Board in May 2025, and subsequently amended in July 2025, and in January 2026.

ACTIONS:

Appropriative Pool – May 14, 2026 [Final]: Received and filed.

Non-Agricultural Pool – May 14, 2026 [Final]: Received and filed without approval.

Agricultural Pool – May 14, 2026 [Final]: Received and filed.

Advisory Committee – May 21, 2026 [Final]: Received and filed.

Watermaster Board – May 28, 2026 [Recommended]: Receive and file.

BACKGROUND

A monthly financial reporting packet is provided to keep all members apprised of Watermaster revenues, expenditures, and other financial activities. Monthly reports include the following:

1. Cash Disbursements – Summarized report of all payments made during the reporting month.
2. Credit Card Expense Detail – Detail report of all credit card activity during the reporting month.
3. Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenses & Changes in Net Assets – Detail report of all revenue and expense activity for the fiscal year to date (YTD), summarized by pool category.
4. Treasurer's Report – Summary of Watermaster investment holdings and anticipated earnings as of month end.
5. Budget to Actual Report – Detail report of actual revenue and expense activity, shown for reporting month and YTD, comparatively to the amended budget and carryover budget.
6. Monthly Variance Report & Supplemental Schedules – Supporting schedule providing explanation for major budget variances, additional tables detailing pool fund balances, salaries expense, legal expense, engineering expense, and carryover budget.

DISCUSSION

Detailed explanations of major variances and other additional information can be found on the "Monthly Variance Report & Supplemental Schedules."

Watermaster staff is available to provide additional explanations or respond to any questions on these reports during the monthly meetings as requested.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Monthly Financial Reports (Period Ended February 28, 2026)
2. Monthly Financial Reports (Period Ended March 31, 2026)



Chino Basin Watermaster Cash Disbursements February 2026

Date	Number	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
02/03/2026	ACH 2.3.2026	JOHN J. SCHATZ	AP legal services - December 2025	\$ (10,387.00)
02/09/2026	ACH 2.9.2026	CALPERS	Medical insurance premiums - February 2026	(19,422.89)
02/10/2026	25902	ACP PUBLICATIONS & MARKETING	Name plates - C. Burton, H. Lee	(101.29)
02/10/2026	25903	BAY ALARM COMPANY	Burglar and Fire Alarm Systems - March 2026	(256.69)
02/10/2026	25904	BROWNSTEIN HYATT FARBER SCHRECK	Legal services - December 2025	(163,725.45)
02/10/2026	25905	BURRTEC WASTE INDUSTRIES, INC.	Utilities: Waste	(168.79)
02/10/2026	25906	CHEF DAVE'S CATERING & EVENT SERVICES	Board strategic planning workshop catering services	(955.88)
02/10/2026	25907	CUCAMONGA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT	Building lease - March 2026	(12,319.51)
02/10/2026	25908	DE BOOM, NATHAN		(125.00)
02/10/2026	25909	EGOSCUE LAW GROUP, INC.	OAP legal services - January 2026	(16,012.50)
02/10/2026	25910	ELIE, STEVEN		(125.00)
02/10/2026	25911	FILIPPI, GINO		(375.00)
02/10/2026	25912	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	Office alarm lines, teams phones, and DIA - February 2026	(1,189.47)
02/10/2026	25913	GEYE, BRIAN		(375.00)
02/10/2026	25914	GRAPHIC DETAILS	Aerial map for San Sevaime conference room	(543.75)
02/10/2026	25915	GREAT AMERICA LEASING CORP.	Copy machine lease - January 2026	(1,044.10)
02/10/2026	25916	LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT INC.	Groundwater quality supplies	(37.89)
02/10/2026	25917	PIERSON, JEFFREY		(2,500.00)
02/10/2026	25918	STATE COMPENSATION INSURANCE FUND	FY 26 worker's compensation insurance	(899.39)
02/10/2026	25919	VANGUARD CLEANING SYSTEMS	Cleaning service and January electrostatic spraying - February 2026	(1,220.00)
02/10/2026	25920	VELTO, BILL		(250.00)
02/10/2026	25921	VERIZON WIRELESS	Internet services for extensometer site - January 2026	(38.01)
02/10/2026	25922	ZVIRBULIS, MARTIN		(250.00)
02/17/2026	25923	CALIFORNIA BANK & TRUST	Account ending 6198 - See detail attached	(5,036.26)
02/18/2026	25924	ACWA JOINT POWERS INSURANCE AUTHORITY	Life insurance - March 2026	(308.79)
02/18/2026	25925	BURTON, CURTIS		(250.00)
02/18/2026	25926	READY REFRESH	Office water bottle rent and deliveries - February 2026	(125.18)
02/18/2026	25927	SOUTHERN CA EDISON	Utilities: Electric - Main building	(1,537.34)
02/18/2026	25928	UNITED HEALTHCARE	Dental insurance coverage - March 2026	(1,035.32)
02/18/2026	25929	VERIZON WIRELESS	Internet services for Field Ops tablets - February 2026	(239.16)
02/23/2026	ACH 2.23.2026	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM	Unfunded Accrued Liability-Plan 3299 - February 2026	(14,363.08)
02/23/2026	ACH 2.23.2026	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM	Unfunded Accrued Liability-Plan 27239 - February 2026	(379.08)
02/25/2026	25930	BURTON, CURTIS		(125.00)
02/25/2026	25931	CORELOGIC INFORMATION SOLUTIONS	Geographic package services - January 2026	(125.00)
02/25/2026	25932	CUCAMONGA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT - UTILITY	Utilities: Water	(435.04)
02/25/2026	25933	FEENSTRA, BOB		(875.00)
02/25/2026	25934	KUHN, BOB		(625.00)
02/25/2026	25935	LEGAL SHIELD	Employee paid legal insurance - February 2026	(103.60)
02/25/2026	25936	POWERS ELECTRIC PRODUCTS CO.	Groundwater level monitoring supplies	(417.90)
02/25/2026	25937	RAUCH COMMUNICATION CONSULTANTS, INC.	Annual Report Services - January 2026	(20,252.50)
02/25/2026	25938	RON SHELLEY'S AUTOMOTIVE	Oil changes for field vehicles	(371.71)
02/25/2026	25939	SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY - DEPT. AIRPORTS	Annual rent for extensometer site	(2,291.76)
02/25/2026	25940	SOCALGAS	Utilities: Gas	(120.90)
02/25/2026	25941	STANDARD INSURANCE CO.	Disability coverage - March 2026	(628.26)
02/25/2026	25942	VC3, INC.	IT services - February 2026	(3,763.24)
02/25/2026	25943	VERIZON WIRELESS	Internet services for extensometer site - February 2026 and November 2025	(76.02)
02/25/2026	25944	WEST YOST	Engineering services - January 2026	(182,544.76)
Total for Month				\$ (468,352.51)



Chino Basin Watermaster

Credit Card Expense Detail

February 2026

Date	Number	Description	Expense Account	Amount
02/17/2026	25923	CALIFORNIA BANK & TRUST		
		Amazon - Amazon Web Services - December 2025	6052.5 IT Data Backup/Storage	(441.76)
		Parking Concepts - Meeting with WMWD - E. Tellez-Foster	6173 Airfare/Mileage	(3.00)
		Panera Bread - OPS meeting	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(78.95)
		My NY Sports Pizza - Lunch meeting - WM, IEUA, FCD, West Yost	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(70.90)
		Microsoft Software - Mapping and visualization software subscription	6054 Computer Software	(15.00)
		REV Subscription - Speech to text transcription services	6112 Subscriptions/Publications	(29.99)
		The Sub Station - Lunch meeting - E. Tellez-Foster, M. Gardner	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(31.40)
		Engrave N' Embroider - Service commemorative plaque - J. Nakano	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(59.25)
		Finney's Crafthouse - Lunch meeting - T. Corbin, R. Bowcock	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(43.66)
		TVMWD - Leadership Breakfast Registration - T. Corbin, E. Tellez-Foster, A. Nelson	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(133.56)
		El Cerrito Mexican Restaurant - Staff lunch - T. Corbin, D. Uriarte, F. Yoo	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(94.13)
		Amazon - Decaf coffee	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(25.99)
		CalPELRA - 2026 HR membership - A. Nelson	6111 Membership Dues	(390.00)
		BambooHR - HR and payroll system - January 2026	6061.2 HRIS System	(298.99)
		Amazon - Headset	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(37.66)
		Amazon - Sparkling water variety pack	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(25.70)
		Office Depot - Ink cartridges	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(239.18)
		CVS - Birthday and holiday cards	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(35.06)
		Smart & Final - Coffee creamers	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(14.17)
		Dollar Tree - Birthday and work anniversary balloon decorations	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(12.93)
		Costco - Office supplies	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(207.93)
		Costco - Meeting snacks and drinks	6312 Board Meeting Expenses	(371.64)
		PSHRA 2026 HR membership - A. Nelson	6111 Membership Dues	(50.00)
		BlueHost - Monthly software renewal - Standard VPN server with cPanel	6056 Website Services	(94.99)
		Amazon - Miscellaneous office supplies	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(153.47)
		Staples - Copypaper	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(265.14)
		Amazon - Farewell decorations - J. Nakano	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(78.56)
		Amazon - Carabiner badge holders	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(11.91)
		FedEx - Check delivery - Egoscue Law Group	6042 Postage - General	(15.45)
		Beard Papa - Monthly staff meeting - Dessert	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(117.10)
		FedEx - January 2026 Board meeting package - J. Pierson, S. Elie	6042 Postage - General	(30.90)
		Amazon - Watermaster Academy continental breakfast	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(96.92)
		Dollar Tree - Farewell balloon decorations - J. Nakano	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(8.62)
		Amazon - Emergency radios, fire extinguishers, first aid kits and supplies	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(314.09)
		Land's End - Back-ordered jacket - J. Garcia	6154 Uniforms	(47.87)
		NY Bagel Rancho - Watermaster Academy breakfast	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(84.05)
		Engrave N' Embroider - Board member hats	6375.2 Board Workshop Expenses-Misc.	(859.94)
		Tax1099 - 1099 filings	6147 Other Admin Expenses	(134.55)
		Dollar Tree - Birthday balloon decorations - R. Favela-Quintero	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(11.85)
Total for Month				\$ (5,036.26)



Chino Basin Watermaster

Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenses & Changes in Net Assets

For the Period of July 1, 2025 through February 28, 2026

(Unaudited)

	JUDGMENT ADMIN.	OPTIMUM BASIN MGMT.	TOTAL JUDGMENT ADMIN & OBMP	POOL ADMINISTRATION & SPECIAL PROJECTS			GROUND WATER REPLENISH.	GRAND TOTALS	ADOPTED BUDGET 2025-2026 WITH CARRYOVER
				AP POOL	OAP POOL	ONAP POOL			
Administrative Revenues:									
Administrative Assessments	\$ 6,578,699	\$ -	\$ 6,578,699	\$ 112,641	\$ -	\$ 31,000	\$ -	\$ 6,722,340	\$ 11,453,849
Interest Revenue	-	193,240	193,240	10,839	32,796	1,892	837	239,604	368,030
Groundwater Replenishment	-	-	-	-	-	-	105,187	105,187	-
Mutual Agency Project Revenue	195,850	-	195,850	-	-	-	-	195,850	195,850
Miscellaneous Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Administrative Revenues	6,774,548	193,240	6,967,788	123,480	32,796	32,892	106,024	7,262,980	12,017,729
Administrative & Project Expenditures:									
Watermaster Administration	2,035,278	-	2,035,278	-	-	-	-	2,035,278	2,789,042
Watermaster Board-Advisory Committee	272,381	-	272,381	-	-	-	-	272,381	442,947
Optimum Basin Mgmt Administration	-	712,531	712,531	-	-	-	-	712,531	1,236,522
OBMP Project Costs	-	2,960,741	2,960,741	-	-	-	-	2,960,741	4,699,276
Pool Legal Services	-	-	-	22,673	133,150	935	-	156,758	-
Pool Meeting Compensation	-	-	-	-	26,625	4,625	-	31,250	-
Pool Special Projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pool Administration	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	411,149
Debt Service	-	565,507	565,507	-	-	-	-	565,507	2,438,793
Agricultural Expense Transfer ¹	-	-	-	159,775	(159,775)	-	-	-	-
Replenishment Water Assessments	-	-	-	-	-	-	62,834	62,834	-
Total Administrative Expenses	2,307,660	4,238,779	6,546,438	182,448	-	5,560	62,834	6,797,281	12,017,729
Net Ordinary Income	4,466,889	(4,045,539)	421,350	(58,968)	32,796	27,332	43,190	465,700	-
Other Income/(Expense)									
Refund-Recharge Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carryover Budget	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	553,870
Net Other Income/(Expense)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	553,870
Net Transfers To/(From) Reserves	\$ 4,466,889	\$ (4,045,539)	\$ 421,350	\$ (58,968)	\$ 32,796	\$ 27,332	\$ 43,190	\$ 465,700	\$ 553,870
Net Assets, July 1, 2025			9,139,181	586,974	1,468,387	79,752	42,777	11,317,071	
Refund-Excess Operating Reserves			-	-	-	-	-	-	
Net Assets, End of Period			9,560,530	528,006	1,501,184	107,084	85,967	11,782,771	
Pool Assessments Outstanding				(4,422)	(586,852)	(632)			
Pool Fund Balance				\$ 523,584	\$ 914,331	\$ 106,452			

¹ Fund balance transfer pursuant to Peace Agreement § 5.4(a)



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Treasurer's Report

February 2026

	Type	Monthly Yield	Cost	Market	% Total
Cash & Investments					
Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) *	Investment	3.87%	\$ 687,675	\$ 689,175	5.5%
CA CLASS Prime Fund **	Investment	3.74%	9,391,468	9,393,005	74.8%
CA CLASS Pool Restricted Funds **	Investment	3.74%	1,544,367	1,544,620	12.3%
Bank of America	Checking		927,535	927,535	7.4%
Bank of America	Payroll		-	-	0.0%
Total Cash & Investments			\$ 12,551,045	\$ 12,554,335	100.0%

* The LAIF Market Value factor is updated quarterly in September, December, March, and June.

** The CLASS Prime Fund Net Asset Value factor is updated monthly.

Certification

I certify that (1) all investment actions executed since the last report have been made in full compliance with Chino Basin Watermaster's Investment Policy, and (2) Funds on hand are sufficient to meet all foreseen and planned administrative and project expenditures for the next six months.

Anna Nelson, Director of Administration

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Budget to Actual

For the Period July 1, 2025 to February 28, 2026 (Unaudited)

	February 2026	YTD Actual	FY 25 Carryover Budget	FY 26 Adopted Budget	\$ Over / (Under) Budget	% of Budget
1 Administration Revenue						
2 Local Agency Subsidies	\$ -	\$ 195,850	\$ -	\$ 195,850	\$ -	100%
3 Admin Assessments-Appropriative Pool	-	6,426,042	-	11,131,622	(4,705,580)	58%
4 Admin Assessments-Non-Ag Pool	-	152,657	-	322,227	(169,570)	47%
5 Total Administration Revenue	-	6,774,548	-	11,649,699	(4,875,151)	58%
6 Other Revenue						
7 Appropriative Pool-Replenishment	-	81,011	-	-	81,011	N/A
8 Non-Ag Pool-Replenishment	-	24,176	-	-	24,176	N/A
9 Interest Income	19,205	193,240	-	368,030	(174,790)	53%
10 Miscellaneous Income	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
11 Total Other Revenue	19,205	298,427	-	368,030	(69,603)	81%
12 Total Revenue	19,205	7,072,975	-	12,017,729	(4,944,754)	59%
13 Judgment Administration Expense						
14 Judgment Administration	47,235	454,640	14,344	910,511	(470,215)	49%
15 Admin. Salary/Benefit Costs	65,593	741,791	-	1,127,840	(386,049)	66%
16 Office Building Expense	15,983	160,315	-	228,535	(68,220)	70%
17 Office Supplies & Equip.	587	20,931	10,038	35,750	(24,857)	46%
18 Postage & Printing Costs	1,102	10,358	-	27,190	(16,832)	38%
19 Information Services	5,957	54,831	-	224,400	(169,569)	24%
20 Contract Services	21,718	51,140	-	103,950	(52,810)	49%
21 Watermaster Legal Services	71,823	520,902	-	346,011	174,891	151%
22 Insurance	-	65,894	-	55,000	10,894	120%
23 Dues and Subscriptions	75	38,437	-	40,900	(2,463)	94%
24 Watermaster Administrative Expenses	618	6,627	-	9,630	(3,003)	69%
25 Field Supplies	-	2,110	-	3,900	(1,790)	54%
26 Travel & Transportation	1,752	14,932	-	35,600	(20,668)	42%
27 Training, Conferences, Seminars	2,465	17,797	-	43,500	(25,703)	41%
28 Advisory Committee Expenses	8,297	63,368	-	111,785	(48,417)	57%
29 Watermaster Board Expenses	47,481	209,013	-	331,162	(122,149)	63%
30 ONAP - WM & Administration	5,351	42,429	-	123,585	(81,156)	34%
31 OAP - WM & Administration	6,987	53,964	-	140,528	(86,564)	38%
32 Appropriative Pool- WM & Administration	12,755	95,351	-	147,036	(51,685)	65%
33 Allocated G&A Expenditures	(36,966)	(317,170)	-	(403,675)	86,505	79%
34 Total Judgment Administration Expense	278,814	2,307,660	24,382	3,643,138	(1,359,860)	63%
35 Optimum Basin Management Plan (OBMP)						
36 Optimum Basin Management Plan	85,924	712,531	59,443	1,236,522	(583,434)	55%
37 Groundwater Quality Monitoring	-	1,636	-	4,500	(2,864)	36%
38 Groundwater Level Monitoring	34,103	357,891	15,800	500,880	(158,789)	69%
39 Program Element (PE)2- Comp Recharge	22,998	1,051,657	55,000	1,968,267	(971,610)	52%
40 PE3&5-Water Supply/Desalte	12,825	81,564	9,100	173,320	(100,856)	45%
41 PE4- Management Plan	22,836	312,216	124,788	604,076	(416,648)	43%
42 PE6&7-CoopEfforts/SaltMgmt	18,419	307,753	96,394	772,078	(560,718)	35%
43 PE8&9-StorageMgmt/Conj Use	95,689	530,853	168,963	272,480	89,410	120%
44 Recharge Improvements	-	565,507	-	2,438,793	(1,873,286)	23%
45 Administration Expenses Allocated-OBMP	10,843	92,449	-	139,094	(46,645)	66%
46 Administration Expenses Allocated-PE 1-9	26,122	224,720	-	264,581	(39,861)	85%
47 Total OBMP Expense	329,761	4,238,779	529,488	8,374,591	(4,665,300)	48%
48 Other Expense						
49 Groundwater Replenishment	-	62,834	-	42,777	20,058	147%
50 Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
51 Total Other Expense	-	62,834	-	42,777	20,058	147%
52 Total Expenses	608,574	6,609,273	553,870	12,060,506	(6,005,103)	52%
53 Increase / (Decrease) to Reserves	\$ (589,369)	\$ 463,702	\$ -	\$ (42,777)	\$ 506,479	



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Budget to Actual

The Budget to Actual report summarizes the operating and non-operating revenues and expenses of Chino Basin Watermaster for the fiscal year-to-date (YTD). Columns are included for current monthly and YTD activity shown comparatively to the FY 26 amended budget and FY 25 carryover budget. The final two columns indicate the amount over or under budget, and the YTD percentage of total budget used. As of February 28th, the target budget percentage is generally 67%.

Revenues

Lines 1-5 Administration Revenue – Includes local agency subsidies and administrative assessment for the Appropriative, Agricultural and Non-Agricultural Pools.

- Line 2 Local Agency Subsidies includes the annual Dry Year Yield (DYY) administrative fee received. This account is at 100% of budget due to the timing of payment.

Lines 6-12 Other Revenue – Includes Pool replenishment assessments, interest income, miscellaneous income, and carryover budget from prior years.

Expenses

Lines 13-34 Judgment Administration Expense – Includes Watermaster general administrative expenses, contract services, insurance, office and other administrative expenses. Below is a summary of notable account variances at month end:

- Line 16 Office Building Expense includes office lease, telephone, utilities, repair and maintenance, and building interior renovation costs. The account is at 70% of budget due to the timing of the office lease payment.
- Line 21 Watermaster Legal Services includes outside legal counsel expenses. The account is over budget due to increased administration matters and court coordination not originally anticipated in the budget.
- Line 22 Insurance includes general liability insurance, directors' and officers' liability, umbrella coverage, environmental pollution liability and other various insurance policies. The account is over budget due to an unanticipated increase in the cost of Municipalities Umbrella coverage, as well as the implementation of a Cyber insurance policy that was not included in the original budget.
- Line 23 Dues and Subscriptions include annual dues for ACWA, CA Groundwater Coalition, SHRM, and other miscellaneous subscriptions. The account is at 94% of budget due to the timing of subscription renewals.

Lines 35-47 Optimum Basin Management Plan (OBMP) Expense – Includes legal, engineering, groundwater level monitoring, allocated administrative expenses, and other expenses.

Lines 48-51 Other Expense – Includes groundwater replenishment, settlement expenses, and various refunds as appropriate.



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Pool Services Fund Accounting

Each Pool has a fund account created to pay their own legal service invoices. The legal services invoices are funded and paid using the fund accounts (8467 for the Overlying Agricultural Pool (OAP), 8567 for the Overlying Non-Agricultural Pool (ONAP), and 8367 for the Appropriate Pool (AP)). Along with the legal services fund account for the OAP (8467), the OAP also has two other fund accounts for Ag Pool Meeting Attendance expenses (8470), and Special Projects expenses (8471). The ONAP also has a meeting compensation fund account (8511). Additionally, the OAP has a reserve fund that is held by Watermaster and spent at the direction of the OAP. The AP also has account 8368 relating to the Thomas Harder & Company contract. These fund accounts are replenished at the direction of each Pool, and the legal service invoices are approved by the Pool leadership and when paid by Watermaster, are deducted from the existing fund account balances. If the fund account for any pool reaches zero, no further payments can be paid from the fund, and a replenishment action must be initiated by the Pool.

The following tables detail the fund balance accounts as of February 28, 2026 (continued next page):

Fund Balance For Non-Agricultural Pool		Fund Balance For Appropriate Pool	
Account 8567 - Legal Services		Account 8367 - Legal Services	
Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 77,376.71	Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 224,225.46
Additions:		Additions:	
Interest Earnings	1,891.94	Interest Earnings	10,839.14
Payments received on ONAP Assessment invoices issued 11/25/25	24,490.40	Payments received on AP Assessment invoices issued 11/17/22	81,892.83
Subtotal Additions:	26,382.34	Payments received on appellant share of Post-TOA legal fees	112,640.87
		Subtotal Additions:	205,372.84
Reductions:		Reductions:	
Invoices paid July 2025 - February 2026	(935.00)	Invoices paid July 2025 - February 2026	(22,673.00)
Subtotal Reductions:	(935.00)	Budget Transfer ¹	(25,000.00)
Available Fund Balance as of February 28, 2026	\$ 102,824.05	Subtotal Reductions:	(47,673.00)
		Available Fund Balance as of February 28, 2026	\$ 381,925.30
		<i>*Transfer of funds issued to OAP meeting stipends per AP Chair direction.</i>	

Fund Balance For Non-Agricultural Pool		Fund Balance For Appropriate Pool	
Account 8511 - Meeting Compensation		Account 8368 - Tom Harder Contract	
Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 2,375.00	Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 20,577.61
Additions:		Additions:	
Payments received on ONAP Assessment invoices issued 11/25/25	5,877.70		
Subtotal Additions:	5,877.70	Subtotal Additions:	-
Reductions:		Reductions:	
Compensation paid July 2025 - February 2026	(4,625.00)	Invoices paid July 2025 - February 2026	-
Subtotal Reductions:	(4,625.00)	Subtotal Reductions:	-
Available Fund Balance as of February 28, 2026	\$ 3,627.70	Available Fund Balance as of February 28, 2026	\$ 20,577.61



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Pool Services Fund Accounting – Cont.

Fund Balance for Agricultural Pool		Agricultural Pool Reserve Funds	
Account 8467 - Legal Services (Held by AP)		As shown on the Combining Schedules	
Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 225,597.51	Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 881,534.98
Reductions:		Additions:	
Invoices paid July 2025 - February 2026	(133,150.00)	YTD Interest earned on Ag Pool Funds FY 26	32,796.34
Subtotal Reductions:	(133,150.00)	Transfer of Funds from AP to Special Fund for Legal Service Invoices	133,150.00
Available Fund Balance as of February 28, 2026	\$ 92,447.51	Total Additions:	165,946.34
		Reductions:	
		Legal service invoices paid July 2025 - February 2026	(133,150.00)
		Subtotal Reductions:	(133,150.00)
		Agricultural Pool Reserve Funds Balance as of February 28, 2026:	\$ 914,331.32

Fund Balance For Agricultural Pool		Fund Balance For Agricultural Pool	
Account 8470 - Meeting Compensation (Held by AP)		Account 8471 - Special Projects (Held by AP)	
Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 18,069.65	Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 12,189.00
Additions:		Reductions:	
Budget Transfer ¹	25,000.00	Invoices paid July 2025 - February 2026	-
Subtotal Additions:	25,000.00	Subtotal Reductions:	-
Reductions:		Available Fund Balance as of February 28, 2026	\$ 12,189.00
Compensation paid July 2025 - February 2026	(26,625.00)		
Subtotal Reductions:	(26,625.00)		
Available Fund Balance as of February 28, 2026	\$ 16,444.65 *		

*Transfer of funds issued from AP legal services per AP Chair direction.



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Watermaster Salary Expenses

The following table details the Year-To-Date (YTD) Actual Watermaster burdened salary costs compared to the FY 26 adopted budget. The “\$ Over Budget” and the “% of Budget” columns are a comparison of the YTD actual to the annual budget. As of February 28th, the target budget percentage is generally 67%.

	Year to Date Actual	FY 25-26 Budget	\$ Over / (Under) Budget	% of Budget
WM Salary Expense				
5901.1 · Judgment Admin - Doc. Review	76,351	74,466	1,885	102.5%
5901.3 · Judgment Admin - Field Work	594	14,357	(13,763)	4.1%
5901.5 · Judgment Admin - General	5,857	55,535	(49,678)	10.5%
5901.7 · Judgment Admin - Meeting	34,207	45,648	(11,441)	74.9%
5901.9 · Judgment Admin - Reporting	3,481	21,742	(18,261)	16.0%
5910 · Judgment Admin - Court Coord./Attendance	5,487	28,837	(23,350)	19.0%
5911 · Judgment Admin - Exhibit G	876	6,396	(5,520)	13.7%
5921 · Judgment Admin - Production Monitoring	-	9,471	(9,471)	0.0%
5931 · Judgment Admin - Recharge Applications	2,343	33,092	(30,749)	7.1%
5941 · Judgment Admin - Reporting	1,155	44,602	(43,447)	2.6%
5951 · Judgment Admin - Rules & Regs	-	11,350	(11,350)	0.0%
5961 · Judgment Admin - Safe Yield	67,597	106,006	(38,409)	63.8%
5971 · Judgment Admin - Storage Agreements	4,215	20,671	(16,456)	20.4%
5981 · Judgment Admin - Water Accounting/Database	74,679	112,036	(37,357)	66.7%
5991 · Judgment Admin - Water Transactions	8,283	13,062	(4,779)	63.4%
6011.11 · WM Staff - Overtime	5,308	18,000	(12,692)	29.5%
6011.10 · Admin - Accounting	175,978	280,410	(104,432)	62.8%
6011.15 · Admin - Building Admin	9,872	31,040	(21,168)	31.8%
6011.20 · Admin - Conference/Seminars	32,973	50,660	(17,687)	65.1%
6011.25 · Admin - Document Review	69,149	54,110	15,039	127.8%
6011.50 · Admin - General	184,891	278,870	(93,979)	66.3%
6011.60 · Admin - HR	39,446	100,980	(61,534)	39.1%
6011.70 · Admin - IT	45,225	72,830	(27,605)	62.1%
6011.80 · Admin - Meeting	90,143	93,640	(3,497)	96.3%
6011.90 · Admin - Team Building	15,070	33,490	(18,420)	45.0%
6011.95 · Admin - Training (Give/Receive)	33,819	79,580	(45,761)	42.5%
6017 · Temporary Services	-	28,250	(28,250)	0.0%
6201 · Advisory Committee	30,441	61,397	(30,956)	49.6%
6301 · Watermaster Board	69,433	101,669	(32,236)	68.3%
8301 · Appropriative Pool	63,087	89,707	(26,620)	70.3%
8401 · Agricultural Pool	27,454	83,199	(55,745)	33.0%
8501 · Non-Agricultural Pool	19,038	66,256	(47,218)	28.7%
6901.1 · OBMP - Document Review	34,714	50,364	(15,650)	68.9%
6901.3 · OBMP - Field Work	2,116	9,471	(7,355)	22.3%
6901.5 · OBMP - General	40,408	52,005	(11,597)	77.7%
6901.7 · OBMP - Meeting	38,606	33,487	5,119	115.3%
6901.9 · OBMP - Reporting	4,836	39,176	(34,340)	12.3%
7104.1 · PE1 - Monitoring Program	161,593	166,708	(5,115)	96.9%
7201 · PE2 - Comprehensive Recharge	70,812	49,649	21,163	142.6%
7301 · PE3&5 - Water Supply/Desalter	-	19,189	(19,189)	0.0%
7301.1 · PE5 - Reg. Supply Water Prgm.	576	16,759	(16,183)	3.4%
7401 · PE4 - MZ1 Subsidence Mgmt. Plan	182	25,595	(25,413)	0.7%
7501 · PE6 - Coop. Programs/Salt Mgmt.	11,881	22,984	(11,103)	51.7%
7501.1 · PE 7 - Salt Nutrient Mgmt. Plan	594	16,786	(16,192)	3.5%
7601 · PE8&9 - Storage Mgmt./Recovery	47,692	33,288	14,404	143.3%
Subtotal WM Staff Costs	1,611,372	2,656,820	(1,045,448)	61%
60184.1 · Administrative Leave	5,997	-	5,997	100.0%
60185 · Vacation	76,541	110,082	(33,541)	69.5%
60185.1 · Comp Time	6,710	-	6,710	100.0%
60186 · Sick Leave	48,525	81,688	(33,163)	59.4%
60187 · Holidays	68,995	102,102	(33,107)	67.6%
Subtotal WM Paid Leaves	206,767	293,872	(87,105)	70%
Total WM Salary Costs	1,818,139	2,950,692	(1,132,553)	61.6%



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Engineering

The following table details the Year-To-Date (YTD) Actual Engineering costs compared to the FY 26 adopted budget. The “\$ Over Budget” and the “% of Budget” columns are a comparison of the YTD actual to the annual budget. As of February 28th, the target budget percentage is generally 67%.

	Year to Date Actual	FY 25-26 Budget	\$ Over / (Under) Budget	% of Budget
Engineering Services Costs				
5901.8 · Judgment Admin - Meetings-Engineering Services	\$ -	\$ 38,909	\$ (38,909)	0.0%
5906.71 · Judgment Admin - Data Requests-CBWM Staff	75,128	109,124	(33,997)	68.8%
5906.72 · Judgment Admin - Data Requests-Non-CBWM Staff	37,301	56,483	(19,182)	66.0%
5925 · Judgment Admin - Ag Production & Estimation	25,757	31,992	(6,235)	80.5%
5935 · Judgment Admin - Mat'l Physical Injury Requests	2,639	41,668	(39,029)	6.3%
5945 · Judgment Admin - WM Annual Report Preparation	12,260	17,762	(5,502)	69.0%
5965 · Judgment Admin - Support Data Collection & Mgmt Process	16,431	17,302	(872)	95.0%
6206 · Advisory Committee Meetings-WY Staff	14,099	22,624	(8,525)	62.3%
6306 · Watermaster Board Meetings-WY Staff	19,010	22,624	(3,614)	84.0%
8306 · Appropriative Pool Meetings-WY Staff	18,178	22,624	(4,446)	80.3%
8406 · Agricultural Pool Meetings-WY Staff	13,083	22,624	(9,541)	57.8%
8506 · Non-Agricultural Pool Meetings-WY Staff	9,305	22,624	(13,319)	41.1%
6901.8 · OBMP - Meetings-WY Staff	34,280	38,909	(4,629)	88.1%
6901.95 · OBMP - Reporting-WY Staff	64,394	66,832	(2,439)	96.4%
6906 · OBMP Engineering Services - Other	47,400	65,810	(18,410)	72.0%
6906.1 · OBMP Watermaster Model Update	41,706	8,176	33,530	510.1%
7104.3 · Grdwtr Level-Engineering	180,769	274,794	(94,025)	65.8%
7104.8 · Grdwtr Level-Contracted Services	6,246	29,128	(22,882)	21.4%
7104.9 · Grdwtr Level-Capital Equipment	5,063	19,000	(13,937)	26.6%
7202 · PE2-Comp Recharge-Engineering Services	7,831	23,350	(15,519)	33.5%
7202.2 · PE2-Comp Recharge-Engineering Services	111,471	181,496	(70,025)	61.4%
7302 · PE3&5-PBHSP Monitoring Program	56,240	77,792	(21,552)	72.3%
7303 · PE3&5-Engineering - Other	8,425	21,080	(12,655)	40.0%
7306 · PE3&5-Engineering - Outside Professionals	16,324	31,500	(15,176)	51.8%
7402 · PE4-Engineering	124,850	301,531	(176,681)	41.4%
7402.10 · PE4-Northwest MZ1 Area Project	156,167	169,378	(13,211)	92.2%
7403 · PE4-Eng. Services-Contracted Services-InSar	23,277	28,600	(5,324)	81.4%
7406 · PE4-Engineering Services-Outside Professionals	-	55,155	(55,155)	0.0%
7408 · PE4-Engineering Services-Network Equipment	5,144	19,107	(13,963)	26.9%
7502 · PE6&7-Engineering	192,932	365,564	(172,632)	52.8%
7502.2 · PE7-Groundwtr Quality Model	1,579	70,216	(68,638)	2.2%
7505 · PE6&7-Laboratory Services	36,311	41,300	(4,989)	87.9%
7510 · PE6&7-IEUA Salinity Mgmt. Plan	14,020	9,522	4,498	147.2%
7511 · PE6&7-SAWBMP Task Force-50% IEUA	21,686	28,022	(6,336)	77.4%
7517 · Surface Water Monitoring Plan-Chino Creek - 50% IEUA	28,751	28,434	317	101.1%
7520 · Preparation of Water Quality Mgmt. Plan	-	39,250	(39,250)	0.0%
7610 · PE8&9-Support 2020 Mgmt. Plan	-	21,720	(21,720)	0.0%
7614 · PE8&9-Support Imp. Safe Yield Court Order	483,161	79,656	403,505	606.6%
7615 · PE8&9-Develop 2025 Storage Plan	-	137,816	(137,816)	0.0%
Total Engineering Services Costs	\$ 1,911,214	\$ 2,659,500	\$ (748,284)	71.9%

* West Yost and Subcontractor Engineering Budget of \$2,659,500 plus Carryover Funds from FY 2024/25 of \$508,838



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Legal

The following table details the YTD Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck (BHFS) expenses and costs compared to the FY 26 adopted budget. The “\$ Over Budget” and the “% of Budget” columns are a comparison of the YTD actual to the annual budget. As of February 28th, the target budget percentage is generally 67%.

	Year to Date Actual	FY 25-26 Budget	\$ Over / (Under) Budget	% of Budget
6070 · Watermaster Legal Services				
6071 · BHFS Legal - Court Coordination	\$ 315,073	\$ 76,000	\$ 239,073	414.6%
6072 · BHFS Legal - Rules & Regulations	-	10,495	(10,495)	0.0%
6073 · BHFS Legal - Personnel Matters	39,574	28,150	11,424	140.6%
6074 · BHFS Legal - Interagency Issues	-	40,536	(40,536)	0.0%
6077 · BHFS Legal - Party Status Maintenance	-	13,590	(13,590)	0.0%
6078 · BHFS Legal - Miscellaneous (Note 1)	166,254	177,240	(10,986)	93.8%
Total 6070 · Watermaster Legal Services	520,902	346,011	174,891	150.5%
6275 · BHFS Legal - Advisory Committee	18,828	27,764	(8,936)	67.8%
6375 · BHFS Legal - Board Meeting	87,021	88,704	(1,683)	98.1%
6375.1 · BHFS Legal - Board Workshop(s)	-	29,215	(29,215)	0.0%
8375 · BHFS Legal - Appropriative Pool	14,086	34,705	(20,619)	40.6%
8475 · BHFS Legal - Agricultural Pool	13,426	34,705	(21,279)	38.7%
8575 · BHFS Legal - Non-Ag Pool	14,086	34,705	(20,619)	40.6%
Total BHFS Legal Services	147,447	249,798	(102,351)	59.0%
6907.3 · WM Legal Counsel				
6907.31 · Archibald South Plume	-	12,565	(12,565)	0.0%
6907.32 · Chino Airport Plume	-	12,565	(12,565)	0.0%
6907.33 · Desalter/Hydraulic Control	-	38,680	(38,680)	0.0%
6907.34 · Santa Ana River Water Rights	8,157	21,405	(13,248)	38.1%
6907.38 · Reg. Water Quality Cntrl Board	-	63,200	(63,200)	0.0%
6907.39 · Recharge Master Plan	8,948	14,270	(5,322)	62.7%
6907.41 · Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability	-	10,290	(10,290)	0.0%
6907.44 · SGMA Compliance	-	10,290	(10,290)	0.0%
6907.45 · OBMP Update	8,799	177,240	(168,441)	5.0%
6907.47 · 2020 Safe Yield Reset	28,353	151,180	(122,827)	18.8%
6907.50 · San Sevaine Basin Discharge - State Court	-	54,130	(54,130)	0.0%
6907.51 · San Sevaine Basin Discharge CWA Litigation	339,775	150,440	189,335	225.9%
6907.90 · WM Legal Counsel - Unanticipated	-	38,885	(38,885)	0.0%
Total 6907 · WM Legal Counsel	394,032	755,140	(361,108)	52.2%
Total Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber, Schreck Costs	\$ 1,062,381	\$ 1,350,949	\$ (288,568)	78.6%



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Optimum Basin Management Plan (OBMP)

The following table details the Year-To-Date (YTD) Actual OBMP costs compared to the FY 26 adopted budget. The “\$ Over Budget” and the “% of Budget” columns are a comparison of the YTD actual to the annual budget. As of February 28th, the target budget percentage is generally 67%.

	Year to Date Actual	FY 25-26 Budget	\$ Over / (Under) Budget	% of Budget
6900 · Optimum Basin Mgmt Plan				
6901.1 · OBMP - Document Review-WM Staff	\$ 34,714	\$ 50,364	\$ (15,650)	68.9%
6901.3 · OBMP - Field Work-WM Staff	2,116	9,471	(7,355)	22.3%
6901.5 · OBMP - General-WM Staff	40,408	52,005	(11,597)	77.7%
6901.7 · OBMP - Meeting-WM Staff	38,606	33,487	5,119	115.3%
6901.8 · OBMP - Meeting-West Yost	34,280	38,909	(4,629)	88.1%
6901.9 · OBMP - Reporting-WM Staff	4,836	39,176	(34,340)	12.3%
6901.95 · OBMP - Reporting-West Yost	64,394	66,832	(2,439)	96.4%
Total 6901 · OBMP WM and West Yost Staff	219,354	290,244	(70,890)	75.6%
6903 · OBMP - SAWPA				
6903 · OBMP - SAWPA Group	7,608	18,952	(11,344)	40.1%
Total 6903 · OBMP - SAWPA	7,608	18,952	(11,344)	40.1%
6906 · OBMP Engineering Services				
6906.1 · OBMP - Watermaster Model Update	41,706	8,176	33,530	510.1%
6906.21 · State of the Basin Report	-	-	-	0.0%
6906 · OBMP Engineering Services - Other	47,400	65,810	(18,410)	72.0%
Total 6906 · OBMP Engineering Services	89,106	73,986	15,120	120.4%
6907 · OBMP Legal Fees				
6907.31 · Archibald South Plume	-	12,565	(12,565)	0.0%
6907.32 · Chino Airport Plume	-	12,565	(12,565)	0.0%
6907.33 · Desalter/Hydraulic Control	-	38,680	(38,680)	0.0%
6907.34 · Santa Ana River Water Rights	8,157	21,405	(13,248)	38.1%
6907.36 · Santa Ana River Habitat	-	-	-	0.0%
6907.38 · Reg. Water Quality Cntrl Board	-	63,200	(63,200)	0.0%
6907.39 · Recharge Master Plan	8,948	14,270	(5,322)	62.7%
6907.41 · Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability	-	10,290	(10,290)	0.0%
6907.44 · SGMA Compliance	-	10,290	(10,290)	0.0%
6907.45 · OBMP Update	8,799	177,240	(168,441)	5.0%
6907.47 · 2020 Safe Yield Reset	28,353	151,180	(122,827)	18.8%
6907.50 · San Sevaine Basin Discharge - State	-	54,130	(54,130)	0.0%
6907.51 · San Sevaine Basin Discharge CWA	339,775	150,440	189,335	225.9%
6907.90 · WM Legal Counsel - Unanticipated	-	38,885	(38,885)	0.0%
Total 6907 · OBMP Legal Fees	394,032	755,140	(361,108)	52.2%
6909 · OBMP Other Expenses				
6909.6 · OBMP Expenses - Miscellaneous	-	96,000	(96,000)	0.0%
Total 6909 · OBMP Other Expenses	-	98,200	(98,200)	0.0%
Total 6900 · Optimum Basin Mgmt Plan	\$ 710,100	\$ 1,236,522	\$ (526,422)	57.4%



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Judgment Administration

The following table details the Year-To-Date (YTD) Actual Judgment Administration costs compared to the FY 26 adopted budget. The “\$ Over Budget” and the “% of Budget” columns are a comparison of the YTD actual to the annual budget. As of February 28th, the target budget percentage is generally 67%.

	Year to Date Actual	FY 25-26 Budget	\$ Over / (Under) Budget	% of Budget
5901 · Admin-WM Staff				
5901.1 · Admin-Doc. Review-WM Staff	\$ 76,351	\$ 74,466	\$ 1,885	102.5%
5901.3 · Admin-Field Work-WM Staff	594	14,357	(13,763)	4.1%
5901.5 · Admin-General-WM Staff	5,857	55,535	(49,678)	10.5%
5901.7 · Admin-Meeting-WM Staff	34,207	45,648	(11,441)	74.9%
5901.8 · Admin-Meeting - West Yost	-	38,909	(38,909)	0.0%
5901.9 · Admin-Reporting-WM Staff	3,481	21,742	(18,261)	16.0%
Total 5901 · Admin-WM Staff	120,491	250,657	(130,166)	48.1%
5900 · Judgment Admin Other Expenses				
5906.71 · Admin-Data Req-CBWM Staff	75,128	109,124	(33,997)	68.8%
5906.72 · Admin-Data Req-Non CBWM Staff	37,301	56,483	(19,182)	66.0%
5910 · Court Coordination/Attend-WM	5,487	28,837	(23,350)	19.0%
5911 · Exhibit G-WM Staff	876	6,396	(5,520)	13.7%
5921 · Production Monitoring-WM Staff	-	9,471	(9,471)	0.0%
5925 · Ag Prod & Estimation-West Yost	25,757	31,992	(6,235)	80.5%
5931 · Recharge Applications-WM Staff	2,343	33,092	(30,749)	7.1%
5935 · Admin-Mat'l Phy Inj Requests	2,639	41,668	(39,029)	6.3%
5941 · Reporting-WM Staff	1,155	44,602	(43,447)	2.6%
5945 · WM Annual Report Prep-West Yost	12,260	17,762	(5,502)	69.0%
5951 · Rules & Regs-WM Staff	-	11,350	(11,350)	0.0%
5961 · Safe Yield-WM Staff	67,597	106,006	(38,409)	63.8%
5965 · Support Data Collect-West Yost	16,431	17,302	(872)	95.0%
5971 · Storage Agreements-WM Staff	4,215	20,671	(16,456)	20.4%
5981 · Water Acct/Database-WM Staff	74,679	112,036	(37,357)	66.7%
5991 · Water Transactions-WM Staff	8,283	13,062	(4,779)	63.4%
Total 5900 · Judgment Admin Other Expenses	334,149	659,854	(325,705)	50.6%
Total 5900 · Judgment Administration	\$ 454,640	\$ 910,511	\$ (455,871)	49.9%



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“Carry Over” Funding:

The “Carry Over” funding was calculated at the start of FY 26. The Total “Carry Over” funding amount of \$553,870 has been posted to the general ledger accounts. The total amount consisted of \$508,838 from Engineering Services, \$34,994 from OBMP Activities, and \$10,038 from Administration Services. More detailed information is provided on the table below.

Carry Over Budget Detail FY 2025/26

Account	Description	Amount	Fiscal Year	Type
6038	Other Office Equipment - Boardroom Upgrades	\$ 10,038	FY 2020/21	ADMIN
7545	Meter Installation - New Meter Installation, Calibration and Testing	34,994	FY 2018/19	OBMP
5925	Agriculture Production and Estimation	4,344	FY 2024/25	ENG
5965	Support for Implementation of Improved Data Collection and Management Process	10,000	FY 2024/25	ENG
6906.1	Watermaster Model Application and Required Demonstrations	59,443	FY 2024/25	ENG
7104.3	Groundwater Level Monitoring Program	15,800	FY 2024/25	ENG
7202.2	Comprehensive Recharge Program	55,000	FY 2024/25	ENG
7302	PBHSP Monitoring Program- 50% IEUA Cost Share	9,100	FY 2024/25	ENG
7402.1	PE4/MZ-1: Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1	124,788	FY 2024/25	ENG
7502	Groundwater Quality Monitoring and Reporting Program and as-needed Consulting	41,400	FY 2024/25	ENG
7517	Implementation of Chino Creek Monitoring Program - IEUA Cost Share	20,000	FY 2024/25	ENG
7614	Support Implementation of the Safe Yield Court Order	168,963	FY 2024/25	ENG
Total Carryover Budget		\$ 553,870		



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Cash Disbursements
March 2026

Date	Number	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
03/06/2026	ACH 3.6.2026	CALPERS	Medical insurance premiums - March 2026	\$ (15,439.04)
03/09/2026	25945	ACWA JOINT POWERS INSURANCE AUTHORITY	Life insurance - April 2026	(229.86)
03/09/2026	25946	BAY ALARM COMPANY	Burglar and Fire Alarm Systems - April 2026	(256.69)
03/09/2026	25947	BURRTEC WASTE INDUSTRIES, INC.	Utilities: Waste	(168.79)
03/09/2026	25948	DE BOOM, NATHAN		(125.00)
03/09/2026	25949	EIDE BAILLY LLP	Accounting Services - February 2026	(1,411.05)
03/09/2026	25950	ELIE, STEVEN		(125.00)
03/09/2026	25951	FILIPPI, GINO		(375.00)
03/09/2026	25952	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	Office alarm lines, teams phones, and DIA - March 2026	(1,189.47)
03/09/2026	25953	GEYE, BRIAN		(625.00)
03/09/2026	25954	GREAT AMERICA LEASING CORP.	Copy machine lease - February 2026	(1,044.10)
03/09/2026	25955	RUBEN LLAMAS		(125.00)
03/09/2026	25956	SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DIST	Flood control annual permits - San Sevaine and Cucamonga channels	(2,431.00)
03/09/2026	25957	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON	Utilities: Electric - Annex	(188.22)
03/09/2026	25958	UNION 76	Fuel purchases - February 2026	(144.17)
03/09/2026	25959	VANGUARD CLEANING SYSTEMS	Cleaning services - March 2026	(1,000.00)
03/09/2026	25960	VELTO, BILL		(500.00)
03/09/2026	25961	VISION SERVICE PLAN	Vision insurance premiums - March 2026	(79.21)
03/09/2026	25962	WAXIE SANITARY SUPPLY	Office supplies	(229.44)
03/09/2026	25963	ZVIRBULIS, MARTIN		(500.00)
03/10/2026	25965	CHEF DAVE'S CATERING & EVENT SERVICES	Board meeting catering services - February 2026	(573.36)
03/10/2026	25966	EGOSCUE LAW GROUP, INC.	OAP Legal Services - February 2026	(19,862.50)
03/10/2026	25967	ESRI	Annual enterprise agreement fee software/maintenance	(5,300.00)
03/10/2026	25968	READY REFRESH	Office water bottle rent and deliveries - March 2026	(45.23)
03/10/2026	25969	STATE COMPENSATION INSURANCE FUND	FY 26 worker's compensation insurance	(2,265.50)
03/10/2026	25970	VANGUARD CLEANING SYSTEMS	Electrostatic spraying - February 2026	(220.00)
03/18/2026	25971	BROWNSTEIN HYATT FARBER SCHRECK	Legal services - January 2026	(197,170.85)
03/18/2026	25972	CALIFORNIA BANK & TRUST	Account ending 6198 - See detail attached	(5,539.11)
03/18/2026	25973	CLARK PEST CONTROL	Bi-monthly pest control service	(104.00)
03/18/2026	25974	CORELOGIC INFORMATION SOLUTIONS	Geographic package services - February 2026	(125.00)
03/18/2026	25975	CUCAMONGA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT	Building lease - April 2026	(12,319.51)
03/18/2026	25976	LEGAL SHIELD	Employee paid legal insurance - March 2026	(103.60)
03/18/2026	25977	PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL SVCS.	Lease property tax and admin fee 2026	(29.80)
03/18/2026	25979	SOUTHERN CA EDISON	Utilities: Electric - Main building	(1,392.34)
03/18/2026	25980	TELLEZ-FOSTER, EDGAR	Reimbursement: Toll road fees	(66.37)
03/18/2026	25981	UNITED HEALTHCARE	Dental insurance coverage - April 2026	(1,250.26)
03/18/2026	25982	VERIZON WIRELESS	Internet services for Field Ops tablets - March 2026	(239.16)
03/23/2026	ACH 3.23.26	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM	Annual Unfunded Accrued Liability-Plan 3299 - March 2026	(14,363.08)
03/23/2026	ACH 3.23.26	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM	Annual Unfunded Accrued Liability-Plan 27239 - March 2026	(379.08)
Total for Month				\$ (287,534.79)



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Credit Card Expense Detail

March 2026

Date	Number	Description	Expense Account	Amount
03/18/2026	25972	CALIFORNIA BANK & TRUST		
		Avenue of the Arts - 2026 ACWA JPIA Leadership Academy - Dinner - E. Tellez-Foster	6191 Conferences - General	(47.02)
		The Toll Roads - Toll fees for West Yost meetings - 01/30/26 & 02/02/26	6173 Airfare/Mileage	(6.80)
		Avenue of the Arts - 2026 ACWA JPIA Leadership Academy - Lodging - E. Tellez-Foster	6191 Conferences - General	(567.04)
		Amazon - Amazon Web Services - January 2026	6052.5 IT Data Backup/Storage	(847.63)
		IHop - 2026 Salinity Conference - Lunch - E. Tellez-Foster	6191 Conferences - General	(38.50)
		Elderwood - 2026 Salinity Conference - Dinner - E. Tellez-Foster	6191 Conferences - General	(67.59)
		The Darling Hotel - 2026 Salinity Conference - Lodging - E. Tellez-Foster	6191 Conferences - General	(200.48)
		ACWA 2026 Spring Conference - Registration - E. Tellez-Foster	6191 Conferences - General	(999.00)
		The Avocado House - Lunch meeting - E. Tellez-Foster, IEUA	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(40.28)
		Working Genius - Assessments - OPS Team	6193 Employee Training	(125.00)
		IHop - Breakfast meeting - E. Tellez-Foster, CVWD	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(46.12)
		Microsoft Software - Mapping and visualization software subscription	6054 Computer Software	(15.00)
		The Deli - Lunch meeting - E. Tellez-Foster, IEUA	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(37.06)
		REV Subscription - Speech to text transcription services	6112 Subscriptions/Publications	(29.99)
		Riverside Office - Regional Board meeting - Garage Parking - E. Tellez-Foster	6173 Airfare/Mileage	(1.25)
		The State - Lunch meeting - E. Tellez-Foster, Regional Board	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(23.03)
		Eureka - Lunch meeting - T. Corbin, C. Diggs	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(61.50)
		BJ's restaurant - Lunch meeting - T. Corbin, M. Zvirbulis	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(43.29)
		Mimi's Bistro - Lunch meeting - T. Corbin, E. Tellez-Foster	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(55.67)
		Residence Inn - PSHRA-SC 2026 Annual Training Conference - Lodging - A. Nelson	6191 Conferences - General	(264.98)
		PSHRA-SC 2026 Annual Training Conference - Registration - A. Nelson	6191 Conferences - General	(155.00)
		Amazon - Batteries and Pens	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(94.21)
		Albertsons - 2026 Board Strategic Planning Workshop - Meeting supplies	6375.2 Board Workshop Expenses-Misc.	(148.19)
		Amazon - 2026 Board Strategic Planning Workshop - Meeting supplies	6375.2 Board Workshop Expenses-Misc.	(46.08)
		BambooHR - HR and payroll system - February 2026	6061.2 HRIS System	(296.44)
		Amazon - Rubber leg tips	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(9.84)
		Edible.com - Get well soon arrangement - R. Favela-Quintero	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(80.59)
		USPS - February 2026 Pools meeting packages	6042 Postage - General	(36.90)
		Amazon - Decaf coffee	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(19.99)
		1-800 Flowers - Flower arrangement - E. Ulloa	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(118.52)
		Costco - Office supplies	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(80.36)
		Costco - Meeting snacks and drinks	6312 Board Meeting Expenses	(405.95)
		Amazon - Sparkling water variety pack	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(24.76)
		BlueHost - Monthly software renewal - Standard VPN server with cPanel	6056 Website Services	(94.99)
		Aloha Kona Hawaiian - Team Lunch - A. Nelson, F. Yoo, J. Garcia, E. Vides, K. Dolar	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(79.47)
		IE PSHRA - HR Subscription - 2026 annual dues	6111 Membership Dues	(45.00)
		Amazon - Refrigerator door handle	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(23.59)
		FedEx - February 2026 Board meeting package - J. Pierson, S. Elie	6042 Postage - General	(20.50)
		Smart & Final - Coffeemate creamers	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(14.07)
		Smart & Final - Meeting drinks	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(54.57)
		Albertsons - February 2026 WM Academy - Meeting supplies	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(57.10)
		Amazon - Laminating sheets, batteries	6031.7 General Office Supplies	(20.22)
		NY Bagel - February 2026 WM Academy - Meeting supplies	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	(95.54)
Total for Month				\$ (5,539.11)



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Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenses & Changes in Net Assets

For the Period of July 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026

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	JUDGMENT ADMIN.	OPTIMUM BASIN MGMT.	TOTAL JUDGMENT ADMIN & OBMP	POOL ADMINISTRATION & SPECIAL PROJECTS			GROUND WATER REPLENISH.	GRAND TOTALS	ADOPTED BUDGET 2025-2026 WITH CARRYOVER
				AP POOL	OAP POOL	ONAP POOL			
Administrative Revenues:									
Administrative Assessments	\$ 6,578,699	\$ -	\$ 6,578,699	\$ 112,641	\$ -	\$ 31,000	\$ -	\$ 6,722,340	\$ 11,453,849
Interest Revenue	-	220,755	220,755	12,083	36,792	2,179	1,066	272,874	368,030
Groundwater Replenishment	-	-	-	-	-	-	105,187	105,187	-
Mutual Agency Project Revenue	195,850	-	195,850	-	-	-	-	195,850	195,850
Miscellaneous Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Administrative Revenues	6,774,548	220,755	6,995,303	124,724	36,792	33,179	106,253	7,296,250	12,017,729
Administrative & Project Expenditures:									
Watermaster Administration	2,280,729	-	2,280,729	-	-	-	-	2,280,729	2,789,042
Watermaster Board-Advisory Committee	326,978	-	326,978	-	-	-	-	326,978	442,947
Optimum Basin Mgmt Administration	-	839,875	839,875	-	-	-	-	839,875	1,236,522
OBMP Project Costs	-	3,208,220	3,208,220	-	-	-	-	3,208,220	4,699,276
Pool Legal Services	-	-	-	22,673	160,713	935	-	184,321	-
Pool Meeting Compensation	-	-	-	-	32,125	5,125	-	37,250	-
Pool Special Projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pool Administration	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	411,149
Debt Service	-	565,507	565,507	-	-	-	-	565,507	2,438,793
Agricultural Expense Transfer ¹	-	-	-	192,838	(192,838)	-	-	-	-
Replenishment Water Assessments	-	-	-	-	-	-	62,834	62,834	-
Total Administrative Expenses	2,607,707	4,613,601	7,221,308	215,511	-	6,060	62,834	7,505,713	12,017,729
Net Ordinary Income	4,166,842	(4,392,847)	(226,005)	(90,787)	36,792	27,119	43,419	(209,463)	-
Other Income/(Expense)									
Refund-Recharge Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carryover Budget	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	553,870
Net Other Income/(Expense)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	553,870
Net Transfers To/(From) Reserves	\$ 4,166,842	\$ (4,392,847)	\$ (226,005)	\$ (90,787)	\$ 36,792	\$ 27,119	\$ 43,419	\$ (209,463)	\$ 553,870
Net Assets, July 1, 2025			9,139,181	586,974	1,468,387	79,752	42,777	11,317,071	
Refund-Excess Operating Reserves			-	-	-	-	-	-	
Net Assets, End of Period			8,913,176	496,188	1,505,179	106,870	86,195	11,107,608	
Pool Assessments Outstanding				(4,422)	(586,852)	(632)			
Pool Fund Balance				\$ 491,765	\$ 918,327	\$ 106,238			

¹ Fund balance transfer pursuant to Peace Agreement § 5.4(a)



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Treasurer's Report

March 2026

	Type	Monthly Yield	Cost	Market	% Total
Cash & Investments					
Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) *	Investment	3.83%	\$ 687,675	\$ 687,662	5.8%
CA CLASS Prime Fund **	Investment	3.74%	8,586,841	8,588,247	71.9%
CA CLASS Pool Restricted Funds **	Investment	3.74%	1,516,330	1,516,578	12.7%
Bank of America	Checking		1,157,299	1,157,299	9.7%
Bank of America	Payroll		-	-	0.0%
Total Cash & Investments			\$ 11,948,146	\$ 11,949,787	100.0%

* The LAIF Market Value factor is updated quarterly in September, December, March, and June.

** The CLASS Prime Fund Net Asset Value factor is updated monthly.

Certification

I certify that (1) all investment actions executed since the last report have been made in full compliance with Chino Basin Watermaster's Investment Policy, and (2) Funds on hand are sufficient to meet all foreseen and planned administrative and project expenditures for the next six months.

Anna Nelson, Director of Administration

Prepared By:

Daniela Uriarte, Senior Accountant



Chino Basin Watermaster

Budget to Actual

For the Period July 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026

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	March 2026	YTD Actual	FY 25 Carryover Budget	FY 26 Adopted Budget	\$ Over / (Under) Budget	% of Budget
1 Administration Revenue						
2 Local Agency Subsidies	\$ -	\$ 195,850	\$ -	\$ 195,850	\$ -	100%
3 Admin Assessments-Appropriative Pool	-	6,426,042	-	11,131,622	(4,705,580)	58%
4 Admin Assessments-Non-Ag Pool	-	152,657	-	322,227	(169,570)	47%
5 Total Administration Revenue	-	6,774,548	-	11,649,699	(4,875,151)	58%
6 Other Revenue						
7 Appropriative Pool-Replenishment	-	81,011	-	-	81,011	N/A
8 Non-Ag Pool-Replenishment	-	24,176	-	-	24,176	N/A
9 Interest Income	27,515	220,755	-	368,030	(147,275)	60%
10 Miscellaneous Income	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
11 Total Other Revenue	27,515	325,942	-	368,030	(42,088)	89%
12 Total Revenue	27,515	7,100,490	-	12,017,729	(4,917,239)	59%
13 Judgment Administration Expense						
14 Judgment Administration	59,431	514,071	14,344	910,511	(410,784)	56%
15 Admin. Salary/Benefit Costs	76,479	818,271	-	1,127,840	(309,569)	73%
16 Office Building Expense	17,117	177,432	-	228,535	(51,103)	78%
17 Office Supplies & Equip.	1,549	22,480	10,038	35,750	(23,308)	49%
18 Postage & Printing Costs	2,794	13,152	-	27,190	(14,038)	48%
19 Information Services	6,858	61,689	-	224,400	(162,711)	27%
20 Contract Services	296	51,437	-	103,950	(52,513)	49%
21 Watermaster Legal Services	82,485	603,386	-	346,011	257,375	174%
22 Insurance	-	65,894	-	55,000	10,894	120%
23 Dues and Subscriptions	230	38,667	-	40,900	(2,233)	95%
24 Watermaster Administrative Expenses	546	7,173	-	9,630	(2,457)	74%
25 Field Supplies	-	2,110	-	3,900	(1,790)	54%
26 Travel & Transportation	2,092	17,025	-	35,600	(18,575)	48%
27 Training, Conferences, Seminars	145	17,942	-	43,500	(25,558)	41%
28 Advisory Committee Expenses	15,082	78,450	-	111,785	(33,335)	70%
29 Watermaster Board Expenses	39,514	248,527	-	331,162	(82,635)	75%
30 ONAP - WM & Administration	5,835	48,263	-	123,585	(75,322)	39%
31 OAP - WM & Administration	7,241	61,205	-	140,528	(79,323)	44%
32 Appropriative Pool- WM & Administration	12,573	107,924	-	147,036	(39,112)	73%
33 Allocated G&A Expenditures	(30,222)	(347,392)	-	(403,675)	56,283	86%
34 Total Judgment Administration Expense	300,047	2,607,707	24,382	3,643,138	(1,059,813)	71%
35 Optimum Basin Management Plan (OBMP)						
36 Optimum Basin Management Plan	127,344	839,875	59,443	1,236,522	(456,090)	65%
37 Groundwater Quality Monitoring	-	1,636	-	4,500	(2,864)	36%
38 Groundwater Level Monitoring	44,772	402,663	15,800	500,880	(114,017)	78%
39 Program Element (PE)2- Comp Recharge	6,942	1,058,598	55,000	1,968,267	(964,669)	52%
40 PE3&5-Water Supply/Desalte	33,334	114,899	9,100	173,320	(67,521)	63%
41 PE4- Management Plan	30,142	342,358	124,788	604,076	(386,506)	47%
42 PE6&7-CoopEfforts/SaltMgmt	47,165	354,918	96,394	772,078	(513,554)	41%
43 PE8&9-StorageMgmt/Conj Use	54,903	585,756	168,963	272,480	144,313	133%
44 Recharge Improvements	-	565,507	-	2,438,793	(1,873,286)	23%
45 Administration Expenses Allocated-OBMP	9,951	102,401	-	139,094	(36,693)	74%
46 Administration Expenses Allocated-PE 1-9	20,271	244,991	-	264,581	(19,590)	93%
47 Total OBMP Expense	374,823	4,613,601	529,488	8,374,591	(4,290,477)	52%
48 Other Expense						
49 Groundwater Replenishment	-	62,834	-	42,777	20,058	147%
50 Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
51 Total Other Expense	-	62,834	-	42,777	20,058	147%
52 Total Expenses	674,870	7,284,142	553,870	12,060,506	(5,330,233)	58%
53 Increase / (Decrease) to Reserves	\$ (647,354)	\$ (183,652)	\$	(42,777)	\$ (140,875)	



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Budget to Actual

The Budget to Actual report summarizes the operating and non-operating revenues and expenses of Chino Basin Watermaster for the fiscal year-to-date (YTD). Columns are included for current monthly and YTD activity shown comparatively to the FY 26 amended budget and FY 25 carryover budget. The final two columns indicate the amount over or under budget, and the YTD percentage of total budget used. As of March 31st, the target budget percentage is generally 75%.

Revenues

Lines 1-5 Administration Revenue – Includes local agency subsidies and administrative assessment for the Appropriative, Agricultural and Non-Agricultural Pools.

- Line 2 Local Agency Subsidies includes the annual Dry Year Yield (DYY) administrative fee received. This account is at 100% of budget due to the timing of payment.

Lines 6-12 Other Revenue – Includes Pool replenishment assessments, interest income, miscellaneous income, and carryover budget from prior years.

Expenses

Lines 13-34 Judgment Administration Expense – Includes Watermaster general administrative expenses, contract services, insurance, office and other administrative expenses. Below is a summary of notable account variances at month end:

- Line 16 Office Building Expense includes office lease, telephone, utilities, repair and maintenance, and building interior renovation costs. The account is at 78% of budget due to the timing of the office lease payment.
- Line 21 Watermaster Legal Services includes outside legal counsel expenses. The account is over budget due to increased administration matters and court coordination not originally anticipated in the budget.
- Line 22 Insurance includes general liability insurance, directors' and officers' liability, umbrella coverage, environmental pollution liability and other various insurance policies. The account is over budget due to an unanticipated increase in the cost of Municipalities Umbrella coverage, as well as the implementation of a Cyber insurance policy that was not included in the original budget.
- Line 23 Dues and Subscriptions include annual dues for ACWA, CA Groundwater Coalition, SHRM, and other miscellaneous subscriptions. The account is at 95% of budget due to the timing of subscription renewals.

Lines 35-47 Optimum Basin Management Plan (OBMP) Expense – Includes legal, engineering, groundwater level monitoring, allocated administrative expenses, and other expenses.

Lines 48-51 Other Expense – Includes groundwater replenishment, settlement expenses, and various refunds as appropriate.



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Pool Services Fund Accounting

Each Pool has a fund account created to pay their own legal service invoices. The legal services invoices are funded and paid using the fund accounts (8467 for the Overlying Agricultural Pool (OAP), 8567 for the Overlying Non-Agricultural Pool (ONAP), and 8367 for the Appropriate Pool (AP)). Along with the legal services fund account for the OAP (8467), the OAP also has two other fund accounts for Ag Pool Meeting Attendance expenses (8470), and Special Projects expenses (8471). The ONAP also has a meeting compensation fund account (8511). Additionally, the OAP has a reserve fund that is held by Watermaster and spent at the direction of the OAP. The AP also has account 8368 relating to the Thomas Harder & Company contract. These fund accounts are replenished at the direction of each Pool, and the legal service invoices are approved by the Pool leadership and when paid by Watermaster, are deducted from the existing fund account balances. If the fund account for any pool reaches zero, no further payments can be paid from the fund, and a replenishment action must be initiated by the Pool.

The following tables detail the fund balance accounts as of March 31, 2026 (continued next page):

Fund Balance For Non-Agricultural Pool Account 8567 - Legal Services		Fund Balance For Appropriate Pool Account 8367 - Legal Services	
Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 77,376.71	Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 224,225.46
Additions:		Additions:	
Interest Earnings	2,178.61	Interest Earnings	12,082.72
Payments received on ONAP Assessment invoices issued 11/25/25	24,490.40	Payments received on AP Assessment invoices issued 11/17/22	81,892.83
Subtotal Additions:	<u>26,669.01</u>	Payments received on appellant share of Post-TOA legal fees	112,640.87
		Subtotal Additions:	<u>206,616.42</u>
Reductions:		Reductions:	
Invoices paid July 2025 - March 2026	<u>(935.00)</u>	Invoices paid July 2025 - March 2026	(22,673.00)
Subtotal Reductions:	<u>(935.00)</u>	Budget Transfer	(25,000.00) *
Available Fund Balance as of March 31, 2026	<u>\$ 103,110.72</u>	Subtotal Reductions:	<u>(47,673.00)</u>
		Available Fund Balance as of March 31, 2026	<u>\$ 383,168.88</u>
		<i>*Transfer of funds issued to OAP meeting stipends per AP Chair direction.</i>	
Fund Balance For Non-Agricultural Pool Account 8511 - Meeting Compensation		Fund Balance For Appropriate Pool Account 8368 - Tom Harder Contract	
Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 2,375.00	Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 20,577.61
Additions:		Additions:	
Payments received on ONAP Assessment invoices issued 11/25/25	5,877.70		
Subtotal Additions:	<u>5,877.70</u>	Subtotal Additions:	<u>-</u>
Reductions:		Reductions:	
Compensation paid July 2025 - March 2026	<u>(5,125.00)</u>	Invoices paid July 2025 - March 2026	-
Subtotal Reductions:	<u>(5,125.00)</u>	Subtotal Reductions:	-
Available Fund Balance as of March 31, 2026	<u>\$ 3,127.70</u>	Available Fund Balance as of March 31, 2026	<u>\$ 20,577.61</u>



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Pool Services Fund Accounting – Cont.

Fund Balance for Agricultural Pool Account 8467 - Legal Services (Held by AP)

Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 225,597.51
Reductions:	
Invoices paid July 2025 - March 2026	(160,712.50)
Subtotal Reductions:	(160,712.50)
Available Fund Balance as of March 31, 2026	\$ 64,885.01

Agricultural Pool Reserve Funds As shown on the Combining Schedules

Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 881,534.98
Additions:	
YTD Interest earned on Ag Pool Funds FY 26	36,791.72
Transfer of Funds from AP to Special Fund for Legal Service Invoices	160,712.50
Total Additions:	197,504.22
Reductions:	
Legal service invoices paid July 2025 - March 2026	(160,712.50)
Subtotal Reductions:	(160,712.50)
Agricultural Pool Reserve Funds Balance as of March 31, 2026:	\$ 918,326.70

Fund Balance For Agricultural Pool Account 8470 - Meeting Compensation (Held by AP)

Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 18,069.65
Additions:	
Budget Transfer	25,000.00 *
Subtotal Additions:	25,000.00
Reductions:	
Compensation paid July 2025 - March 2026	(32,125.00)
Subtotal Reductions:	(32,125.00)
Available Fund Balance as of March 31, 2026	\$ 10,944.65

*Transfer of funds issued from AP legal services per AP Chair direction.

Fund Balance For Agricultural Pool Account 8471 - Special Projects (Held by AP)

Beginning Balance July 1, 2025:	\$ 12,189.00
Reductions:	
Invoices paid July 2025 - March 2026	-
Subtotal Reductions:	-
Available Fund Balance as of March 31, 2026	\$ 12,189.00



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Watermaster Salary Expenses

The following table details the Year-To-Date (YTD) Actual Watermaster burdened salary costs compared to the FY 26 adopted budget. The “\$ Over Budget” and the “% of Budget” columns are a comparison of the YTD actual to the annual budget. As of March 31st, the target budget percentage is generally 75%.

	Year to Date Actual	FY 25-26 Budget	\$ Over / (Under) Budget	% of Budget
WM Salary Expense				
5901.1 · Judgment Admin - Doc. Review	84,612	74,466	10,146	113.6%
5901.3 · Judgment Admin - Field Work	594	14,357	(13,763)	4.1%
5901.5 · Judgment Admin - General	5,857	55,535	(49,678)	10.5%
5901.7 · Judgment Admin - Meeting	41,354	45,648	(4,294)	90.6%
5901.9 · Judgment Admin - Reporting	3,843	21,742	(17,899)	17.7%
5910 · Judgment Admin - Court Coord./Attendance	9,186	28,837	(19,651)	31.9%
5911 · Judgment Admin - Exhibit G	876	6,396	(5,520)	13.7%
5921 · Judgment Admin - Production Monitoring	-	9,471	(9,471)	0.0%
5931 · Judgment Admin - Recharge Applications	2,343	33,092	(30,749)	7.1%
5941 · Judgment Admin - Reporting	1,155	44,602	(43,447)	2.6%
5951 · Judgment Admin - Rules & Regs	-	11,350	(11,350)	0.0%
5961 · Judgment Admin - Safe Yield	68,504	106,006	(37,502)	64.6%
5971 · Judgment Admin - Storage Agreements	4,215	20,671	(16,456)	20.4%
5981 · Judgment Admin - Water Accounting/Database	88,785	112,036	(23,251)	79.2%
5991 · Judgment Admin - Water Transactions	8,434	13,062	(4,628)	64.6%
6011.11 · WM Staff - Overtime	5,987	18,000	(12,013)	33.3%
6011.10 · Admin - Accounting	209,489	280,410	(70,921)	74.7%
6011.15 · Admin - Building Admin	11,644	31,040	(19,396)	37.5%
6011.20 · Admin - Conference/Seminars	32,973	50,660	(17,687)	65.1%
6011.25 · Admin - Document Review	79,849	54,110	25,739	147.6%
6011.50 · Admin - General	201,136	278,870	(77,734)	72.1%
6011.60 · Admin - HR	45,901	100,980	(55,079)	45.5%
6011.70 · Admin - IT	49,933	72,830	(22,897)	68.6%
6011.80 · Admin - Meeting	101,687	93,640	8,047	108.6%
6011.90 · Admin - Team Building	15,215	33,490	(18,275)	45.4%
6011.95 · Admin - Training (Give/Receive)	35,161	79,580	(44,419)	44.2%
6017 · Temporary Services	-	28,250	(28,250)	0.0%
6201 · Advisory Committee	35,191	61,397	(26,206)	57.3%
6301 · Watermaster Board	79,023	101,669	(22,646)	77.7%
8301 · Appropriative Pool	71,848	89,707	(17,859)	80.1%
8401 · Agricultural Pool	31,241	83,199	(51,958)	37.6%
8501 · Non-Agricultural Pool	21,521	66,256	(44,735)	32.5%
6901.1 · OBMP - Document Review	39,102	50,364	(11,262)	77.6%
6901.3 · OBMP - Field Work	2,116	9,471	(7,355)	22.3%
6901.5 · OBMP - General	41,002	52,005	(11,003)	78.8%
6901.7 · OBMP - Meeting	46,427	33,487	12,940	138.6%
6901.9 · OBMP - Reporting	4,987	39,176	(34,189)	12.7%
7104.1 · PE1 - Monitoring Program	182,184	166,708	15,476	109.3%
7201 · PE2 - Comprehensive Recharge	74,803	49,649	25,154	150.7%
7301 · PE3&5 - Water Supply/Desalter	-	19,189	(19,189)	0.0%
7301.1 · PE5 - Reg. Supply Water Prgm.	576	16,759	(16,183)	3.4%
7401 · PE4 - MZ1 Subsidence Mgmt. Plan	798	25,595	(24,797)	3.1%
7501 · PE6 - Coop. Programs/Salt Mgmt.	12,475	22,984	(10,509)	54.3%
7501.1 · PE 7 - Salt Nutrient Mgmt. Plan	594	16,786	(16,192)	3.5%
7601 · PE8&9 - Storage Mgmt./Recovery	48,286	33,288	14,998	145.1%
Subtotal WM Staff Costs	1,801,818	2,656,820	(855,002)	68%
60184.1 · Administrative Leave	5,997	-	5,997	100.0%
60185 · Vacation	78,382	110,082	(31,700)	71.2%
60185.1 · Comp Time	7,913	-	7,913	100.0%
60186 · Sick Leave	50,177	81,688	(31,511)	61.4%
60187 · Holidays	75,684	102,102	(26,418)	74.1%
Subtotal WM Paid Leaves	218,153	293,872	(75,719)	74%
Total WM Salary Costs	2,019,971	2,950,692	(930,721)	68.5%



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Engineering

The following table details the Year-To-Date (YTD) Actual Engineering costs compared to the FY 26 adopted budget. The “\$ Over Budget” and the “% of Budget” columns are a comparison of the YTD actual to the annual budget. As of March 31st, the target budget percentage is generally 75%.

	Year to Date Actual	FY 25-26 Budget	\$ Over / (Under) Budget	% of Budget
Engineering Services Costs				
5901.8 · Judgment Admin - Meetings-Engineering Services	\$ -	\$ 38,909	\$ (38,909)	0.0%
5906.71 · Judgment Admin - Data Requests-CBWM Staff	75,999	109,124	(33,125)	69.6%
5906.72 · Judgment Admin - Data Requests-Non-CBWM Staff	53,850	56,483	(2,633)	95.3%
5925 · Judgment Admin - Ag Production & Estimation	25,757	31,992	(6,235)	80.5%
5935 · Judgment Admin - Mat'l Physical Injury Requests	2,639	41,668	(39,029)	6.3%
5945 · Judgment Admin - WM Annual Report Preparation	12,260	17,762	(5,502)	69.0%
5965 · Judgment Admin - Support Data Collection & Mgmt Process	23,808	17,302	6,506	137.6%
6206 · Advisory Committee Meetings-WY Staff	16,841	22,624	(5,783)	74.4%
6306 · Watermaster Board Meetings-WY Staff	21,658	22,624	(966)	95.7%
8306 · Appropriative Pool Meetings-WY Staff	19,878	22,624	(2,746)	87.9%
8406 · Agricultural Pool Meetings-WY Staff	14,425	22,624	(8,199)	63.8%
8506 · Non-Agricultural Pool Meetings-WY Staff	10,544	22,624	(12,080)	46.6%
6901.8 · OBMP - Meetings-WY Staff	64,886	38,909	25,977	166.8%
6901.95 · OBMP - Reporting-WY Staff	66,058	66,832	(774)	98.8%
6906 · OBMP Engineering Services - Other	49,350	65,810	(16,460)	75.0%
6906.1 · OBMP Watermaster Model Update	42,831	8,176	34,655	523.9%
7104.3 · Grdwtr Level-Engineering	197,689	274,794	(77,105)	71.9%
7104.8 · Grdwtr Level-Contracted Services	6,246	29,128	(22,882)	21.4%
7104.9 · Grdwtr Level-Capital Equipment	5,063	19,000	(13,937)	26.6%
7202 · PE2-Comp Recharge-Engineering Services	7,831	23,350	(15,519)	33.5%
7202.2 · PE2-Comp Recharge-Engineering Services	114,421	181,496	(67,075)	63.0%
7302 · PE3&5-PBHSP Monitoring Program	77,629	77,792	(163)	99.8%
7303 · PE3&5-Engineering - Other	8,425	21,080	(12,655)	40.0%
7306 · PE3&5-Engineering - Outside Professionals	24,703	31,500	(6,797)	78.4%
7402 · PE4-Engineering	136,564	301,531	(164,967)	45.3%
7402.10 · PE4-Northwest MZ1 Area Project	173,820	169,378	4,442	102.6%
7403 · PE4-Eng. Services-Contracted Services-InSar	23,277	28,600	(5,324)	81.4%
7406 · PE4-Engineering Services-Outside Professionals	-	55,155	(55,155)	0.0%
7408 · PE4-Engineering Services-Network Equipment	5,265	19,107	(13,842)	27.6%
7502 · PE6&7-Engineering	236,915	365,564	(128,649)	64.8%
7502.2 · PE7-Groundwtr Quality Model	1,579	70,216	(68,638)	2.2%
7505 · PE6&7-Laboratory Services	36,311	41,300	(4,989)	87.9%
7510 · PE6&7-IEUA Salinity Mgmt. Plan	15,829	9,522	6,307	166.2%
7511 · PE6&7-SAWBMP Task Force-50% IEUA	22,464	28,022	(5,558)	80.2%
7517 · Surface Water Monitoring Plan-Chino Creek - 50% IEUA	28,751	28,434	317	101.1%
7520 · Preparation of Water Quality Mgmt. Plan	-	39,250	(39,250)	0.0%
7610 · PE8&9-Support 2020 Mgmt. Plan	-	21,720	(21,720)	0.0%
7614 · PE8&9-Support Imp. Safe Yield Court Order	537,470	79,656	457,814	674.7%
7615 · PE8&9-Develop 2025 Storage Plan	-	137,816	(137,816)	0.0%
Total Engineering Services Costs	\$ 2,161,035	\$ 2,659,500	\$ (498,463)	81.3%

* West Yost and Subcontractor Engineering Budget of \$2,659,500 plus Carryover Funds from FY 2024/25 of \$508,838



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Legal

The following table details the YTD Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck (BHFS) expenses and costs compared to the FY 26 adopted budget. The “\$ Over Budget” and the “% of Budget” columns are a comparison of the YTD actual to the annual budget. As of March 31st, the target budget percentage is generally 75%.

	Year to Date Actual	FY 25-26 Budget	\$ Over / (Under) Budget	% of Budget
6070 · Watermaster Legal Services				
6071 · BHFS Legal - Court Coordination	\$ 370,659	\$ 76,000	\$ 294,659	487.7%
6072 · BHFS Legal - Rules & Regulations	-	10,495	(10,495)	0.0%
6073 · BHFS Legal - Personnel Matters	40,140	28,150	11,990	142.6%
6074 · BHFS Legal - Interagency Issues	-	40,536	(40,536)	0.0%
6077 · BHFS Legal - Party Status Maintenance	-	13,590	(13,590)	0.0%
6078 · BHFS Legal - Miscellaneous (Note 1)	192,587	177,240	15,347	108.7%
Total 6070 · Watermaster Legal Services	603,386	346,011	257,375	174.4%
6275 · BHFS Legal - Advisory Committee	26,418	27,764	(1,346)	95.2%
6375 · BHFS Legal - Board Meeting	109,148	88,704	20,444	123.0%
6375.1 · BHFS Legal - Board Workshop(s)	-	29,215	(29,215)	0.0%
8375 · BHFS Legal - Appropriative Pool	16,198	34,705	(18,507)	46.7%
8475 · BHFS Legal - Agricultural Pool	15,538	34,705	(19,167)	44.8%
8575 · BHFS Legal - Non-Ag Pool	16,198	34,705	(18,507)	46.7%
Total BHFS Legal Services	183,500	249,798	(66,298)	73.5%
6907.3 · WM Legal Counsel				
6907.31 · Archibald South Plume	-	12,565	(12,565)	0.0%
6907.32 · Chino Airport Plume	-	12,565	(12,565)	0.0%
6907.33 · Desalter/Hydraulic Control	-	38,680	(38,680)	0.0%
6907.34 · Santa Ana River Water Rights	8,157	21,405	(13,248)	38.1%
6907.38 · Reg. Water Quality Cntrl Board	-	63,200	(63,200)	0.0%
6907.39 · Recharge Master Plan	8,948	14,270	(5,322)	62.7%
6907.41 · Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability	330	10,290	(9,960)	3.2%
6907.44 · SGMA Compliance	-	10,290	(10,290)	0.0%
6907.45 · OBMP Update	8,799	177,240	(168,441)	5.0%
6907.47 · 2020 Safe Yield Reset	28,353	151,180	(122,827)	18.8%
6907.50 · San Sevaine Basin Discharge - State Court	-	54,130	(54,130)	0.0%
6907.51 · San Sevaine Basin Discharge CWA Litigation	418,490	150,440	268,050	278.2%
6907.90 · WM Legal Counsel - Unanticipated	-	38,885	(38,885)	0.0%
Total 6907 · WM Legal Counsel	473,077	755,140	(282,063)	62.6%
Total Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber, Schreck Costs	\$ 1,259,963	\$ 1,350,949	\$ (90,986)	93.3%



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Optimum Basin Management Plan (OBMP)

The following table details the Year-To-Date (YTD) Actual OBMP costs compared to the FY 26 adopted budget. The “\$ Over Budget” and the “% of Budget” columns are a comparison of the YTD actual to the annual budget. As of March 31st, the target budget percentage is generally 75%.

	Year to Date Actual	FY 25-26 Budget	\$ Over / (Under) Budget	% of Budget
6900 · Optimum Basin Mgmt Plan				
6901.1 · OBMP - Document Review-WM Staff	\$ 39,102	\$ 50,364	\$ (11,262)	77.6%
6901.3 · OBMP - Field Work-WM Staff	2,116	9,471	(7,355)	22.3%
6901.5 · OBMP - General-WM Staff	41,002	52,005	(11,003)	78.8%
6901.7 · OBMP - Meeting-WM Staff	46,427	33,487	12,940	138.6%
6901.8 · OBMP - Meeting-West Yost	64,886	38,909	25,977	166.8%
6901.9 · OBMP - Reporting-WM Staff	4,987	39,176	(34,189)	12.7%
6901.95 · OBMP - Reporting-West Yost	66,058	66,832	(774)	98.8%
Total 6901 · OBMP WM and West Yost Staff	264,578	290,244	(25,666)	91.2%
6903 · OBMP - SAWPA				
6903 · OBMP - SAWPA Group	7,608	18,952	(11,344)	40.1%
Total 6903 · OBMP - SAWPA	7,608	18,952	(11,344)	40.1%
6906 · OBMP Engineering Services				
6906.1 · OBMP - Watermaster Model Update	42,831	8,176	34,655	523.9%
6906.21 · State of the Basin Report	-	-	-	0.0%
6906 · OBMP Engineering Services - Other	49,350	65,810	(16,460)	75.0%
Total 6906 · OBMP Engineering Services	92,181	73,986	18,195	124.6%
6907 · OBMP Legal Fees				
6907.31 · Archibald South Plume	-	12,565	(12,565)	0.0%
6907.32 · Chino Airport Plume	-	12,565	(12,565)	0.0%
6907.33 · Desalter/Hydraulic Control	-	38,680	(38,680)	0.0%
6907.34 · Santa Ana River Water Rights	8,157	21,405	(13,248)	38.1%
6907.36 · Santa Ana River Habitat	-	-	-	0.0%
6907.38 · Reg. Water Quality Cntrl Board	-	63,200	(63,200)	0.0%
6907.39 · Recharge Master Plan	8,948	14,270	(5,322)	62.7%
6907.41 · Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability	330	10,290	(9,960)	3.2%
6907.44 · SGMA Compliance	-	10,290	(10,290)	0.0%
6907.45 · OBMP Update	8,799	177,240	(168,441)	5.0%
6907.47 · 2020 Safe Yield Reset	28,353	151,180	(122,827)	18.8%
6907.50 · San Sevaine Basin Discharge - State	-	54,130	(54,130)	0.0%
6907.51 · San Sevaine Basin Discharge CWA	418,490	150,440	268,050	278.2%
6907.90 · WM Legal Counsel - Unanticipated	-	38,885	(38,885)	0.0%
Total 6907 · OBMP Legal Fees	473,077	755,140	(282,063)	62.6%
6909 · OBMP Other Expenses				
6909.6 · OBMP Expenses - Miscellaneous	-	96,000	(96,000)	0.0%
Total 6909 · OBMP Other Expenses	-	98,200	(98,200)	0.0%
Total 6900 · Optimum Basin Mgmt Plan	\$ 837,444	\$ 1,236,522	\$ (399,078)	67.7%



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(Unaudited)

Judgment Administration

The following table details the Year-To-Date (YTD) Actual Judgment Administration costs compared to the FY 26 adopted budget. The “\$ Over Budget” and the “% of Budget” columns are a comparison of the YTD actual to the annual budget. As of March 31st, the target budget percentage is generally 75%.

	Year to Date Actual	FY 25-26 Budget	\$ Over / (Under) Budget	% of Budget
5901 · Admin-WM Staff				
5901.1 · Admin-Doc. Review-WM Staff	\$ 84,612	\$ 74,466	\$ 10,146	113.6%
5901.3 · Admin-Field Work-WM Staff	594	14,357	(13,763)	4.1%
5901.5 · Admin-General-WM Staff	5,857	55,535	(49,678)	10.5%
5901.7 · Admin-Meeting-WM Staff	41,354	45,648	(4,294)	90.6%
5901.8 · Admin-Meeting - West Yost	-	38,909	(38,909)	0.0%
5901.9 · Admin-Reporting-WM Staff	3,843	21,742	(17,899)	17.7%
Total 5901 · Admin-WM Staff	136,260	250,657	(114,397)	54.4%
5900 · Judgment Admin Other Expenses				
5906.71 · Admin-Data Req-CBWM Staff	75,999	109,124	(33,125)	69.6%
5906.72 · Admin-Data Req-Non CBWM Staff	53,850	56,483	(2,633)	95.3%
5910 · Court Coordination/Attend-WM	9,186	28,837	(19,651)	31.9%
5911 · Exhibit G-WM Staff	876	6,396	(5,520)	13.7%
5921 · Production Monitoring-WM Staff	-	9,471	(9,471)	0.0%
5925 · Ag Prod & Estimation-West Yost	25,757	31,992	(6,235)	80.5%
5931 · Recharge Applications-WM Staff	2,343	33,092	(30,749)	7.1%
5935 · Admin-Mat'l Phy Inj Requests	2,639	41,668	(39,029)	6.3%
5941 · Reporting-WM Staff	1,155	44,602	(43,447)	2.6%
5945 · WM Annual Report Prep-West Yost	12,260	17,762	(5,502)	69.0%
5951 · Rules & Regs-WM Staff	-	11,350	(11,350)	0.0%
5961 · Safe Yield-WM Staff	68,504	106,006	(37,502)	64.6%
5965 · Support Data Collect-West Yost	23,808	17,302	6,506	137.6%
5971 · Storage Agreements-WM Staff	4,215	20,671	(16,456)	20.4%
5981 · Water Acct/Database-WM Staff	88,785	112,036	(23,251)	79.2%
5991 · Water Transactions-WM Staff	8,434	13,062	(4,628)	64.6%
Total 5900 · Judgment Admin Other Expenses	377,810	659,854	(282,044)	57.3%
Total 5900 · Judgment Administration	\$ 514,071	\$ 910,511	\$ (396,440)	56.5%



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“Carry Over” Funding:

The “Carry Over” funding was calculated at the start of FY 26. The Total “Carry Over” funding amount of \$553,870 has been posted to the general ledger accounts. The total amount consisted of \$508,838 from Engineering Services, \$34,994 from OBMP Activities, and \$10,038 from Administration Services. More detailed information is provided on the table below.

Carry Over Budget Detail FY 2025/26

Account	Description	Amount	Fiscal Year	Type
6038	Other Office Equipment - Boardroom Upgrades	\$ 10,038	FY 2020/21	ADMIN
7545	Meter Installation - New Meter Installation, Calibration and Testing	34,994	FY 2018/19	OBMP
5925	Agriculture Production and Estimation	4,344	FY 2024/25	ENG
5965	Support for Implementation of Improved Data Collection and Management Process	10,000	FY 2024/25	ENG
6906.1	Watermaster Model Application and Required Demonstrations	59,443	FY 2024/25	ENG
7104.3	Groundwater Level Monitoring Program	15,800	FY 2024/25	ENG
7202.2	Comprehensive Recharge Program	55,000	FY 2024/25	ENG
7302	PBHSP Monitoring Program- 50% IEUA Cost Share	9,100	FY 2024/25	ENG
7402.1	PE4/MZ-1: Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1	124,788	FY 2024/25	ENG
7502	Groundwater Quality Monitoring and Reporting Program and as-needed Consulting	41,400	FY 2024/25	ENG
7517	Implementation of Chino Creek Monitoring Program - IEUA Cost Share	20,000	FY 2024/25	ENG
7614	Support Implementation of the Safe Yield Court Order	168,963	FY 2024/25	ENG
Total Carryover Budget		\$ 553,870		



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STAFF REPORT

DATE: May 28, 2026
TO: Board Members
SUBJECT: Watermaster Fiscal Year 2026/27 Budget (Business Item II.A.)

Issue: To consider the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2026/27 Budget.

Recommendation: Adopt the Watermaster Fiscal Year 2026/27 Budget as presented.

Financial Impact: The Fiscal Year 2026/27 Proposed Budget is \$13,371,561 (excluding any Carryover Funds).

ACTIONS:

Appropriative Pool – May 14, 2026 [Final]: Unanimously recommended Advisory Committee approval.

Non-Agricultural Pool – May 14, 2026 [Final]: Unanimously recommended Advisory Committee approval subject to changes which Pool representative deems appropriate.

Agricultural Pool – May 14, 2026 [Final]: Unanimously recommended Advisory Committee approval.

Advisory Committee – May 21, 2026 [Final]: Unanimously approved.

Watermaster Board – May 28, 2026 [Recommended]: Adopt budget as presented.

BACKGROUND

To prepare a budget of anticipated expenses each year, Watermaster conducts meetings with internal staff and consultants to discuss upcoming projects and anticipated work. As the budget is developed, the related budgeted expenses are continually refined based on feedback from the stakeholders. The following budget-related meetings were held during the past few months:

- Watermaster staff met with the West Yost staff on February 25, 2026 for an Engineering Services budget overview to discuss the ongoing engineering-related activities required by the Judgment, the Peace Agreements, Court orders, the Basin Plan, as well as other upcoming engineering activities.
- During the period of February through April 2026, Watermaster staff held numerous additional meetings and discussions with staff from West Yost to discuss questions and feedback regarding the Engineering Services budget and expected engineering activities for fiscal year (FY) 2026/27.
- Watermaster staff received and discussed the Legal Services budget and expected legal activities for FY 2026/27 with staff from Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck during the period of February through March 2026.
- In March 2026, the Treasurer of Inland Empire Utilities Agency, Mr. Alex Lopez, provided Watermaster's share of the Debt Service figures to be included in the budget for FY 2026/27 as well as the projected Pay-Go amounts for Project 23a.
- The Groundwater Recharge Coordinating Committee has met on a quarterly basis to review the anticipated costs of operations and maintenance activities and develop the scope of activities for the upcoming FY 2025/26 budget as recommended by IEUA. The last meeting was held on February 24, 2026.
- The Ground-Level Monitoring Committee met on March 5, 2026 to review and recommend a scope and budget for the Ground-Level Monitoring Program for FY 2026/27. The Technical Memorandum regarding the proposed recommendation for the scope and budget for the Ground-Level Monitoring Committee for FY 2026/27 was issued on February 19, 2026 and finalized on May 1, 2026.
- The Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Committee met on March 19, 2026 to review and recommend a scope and budget for the Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Program for FY 2026/27. The Technical Memorandum regarding the proposed recommendation for the scope and budget for the Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Program for FY 2026/27 was issued on March 11, 2026.
- The Recharge Investigations and Projects Committee meets quarterly, and the most recent meeting was held on April 16, 2026. The purpose of these meetings is to review ongoing capital projects and future years' capital expense projections, and State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan and other financing activities.

Based on the above-mentioned activities of the various committees, along with other input from staff and consultants, Watermaster developed the Proposed FY 2026/27 Budget version dated May 14, 2026 in the amount of \$13,371,561. Attachment 1 provides the Proposed FY 2026/27 Budget Detail.

DISCUSSION

On Thursday, March 19, 2026, Watermaster presented the Proposed FY 2026/27 Budget of \$13,659,201 to the Advisory Committee in accordance with Section 30 (Annual Administrative Budget) of the Restated Judgment. The presentation provided the budget drivers, how the budget is developed, various budget comparison tables, the estimated assessment calculation, and future actions required. Representatives from West Yost and Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck presented their respective proposed budgets and provided information on new efforts, changes in budgets, and/or projects that are being removed for FY 2026/27.

Attendees at the meeting were requested to submit their budget-related questions using the FY 2026/27 Budget Questions portal located on the home page of Watermaster's website. As of this writing, there have been no questions posted on the portal.

Budget Workshop #1 was held on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 and representatives from West Yost, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, and IEUA were available during the meeting to answer questions related to their specific areas of focus as contained within the proposed budget. The workshop focused on covering the changes that occurred since the time of release, which were all captured on the Comparative Analysis supplemental schedule, as well as providing a detailed view on the multi-year Recharge Improvement projects budget. An opportunity was provided at the end of the workshop for attendees to ask any questions. Parties were instructed on how to navigate to the Watermaster website portal to submit their questions, and the workshop was concluded with future required actions and next steps.

Budget Workshop #2 was held on Tuesday, April 28, 2026 and similar to the first workshop, the team was present to answer any questions related to their specific areas of focus within the proposed budget. The workshop focused on reviewing the changes that occurred since the first workshop using the supplemental comparative schedule and analyzing the calculation for projected assessments should DYY production be excluded from the total assessable production. There were no new topics raised for discussion, and the meeting was concluded with future required actions and next steps.

Since the budget release on March 19, 2026, the following changes have occurred:

- The year-to-date actuals were updated from February to March 2026.
- Production numbers were projected based on actuals throughout Q3 and based on the feedback received by producers.
- Legal Miscellaneous services budget (account 6078) was reduced by \$36,900 due to a clerical error and San Sevaire Litigation services (account 6907.51) was removed from the budget since that litigation is winding down, resulting in a total legal services budget decrease of \$239,400.
- The engineering budget to Support Implementation of Safe Yield Court Order budget (account 7614) was reduced by \$11,406.
- Capital project budget for Groundwater Recharge OIT and PLC Upgrades increased by \$121,666 to properly account for Watermaster's share of costs.
- Capital project budget for Groundwater Recharge Condition Assessments decreased by \$25,000 to properly account for Watermaster's share of costs.
- Capital project budget for College Heights Basin Well Sensor Installation decreased by \$75,000 to properly account for Watermaster's share of costs.
- Capital project budget for Groundwater/Recycled Water Valve Actuator Replacement decreased by \$37,500 to properly account for Watermaster's share of costs.
- Capital project budget for Groundwater Recharge SCADA Infrastructure Replacement decreased by \$23,500 to properly account for Watermaster's share of costs.
- Watermaster increased the budget for annual report services (account 6061.3) by \$2,500.

The comparative schedule of changes since the budget release is provided in Attachment 2. The budget total at the budget release was \$13,659,201 and the total amount at the time of this report is \$13,371,561, which has not changed since Workshop #1, and represents a total decrease of \$287,640.

The expense sections below highlight the Proposed Fiscal Year 2026/27 budget.

	FY 2025/26 Amended Budget	FY 2026/27 Proposed Budget	Budget Variance (\$)	Budget Variance (%)
Expenses				
Watermaster Expenses & Salaries	\$ 3,871,216	\$ 4,118,746	\$ 247,530	6%
Engineering Services	2,659,500	3,272,047	612,548	23%
Legal Services	1,350,949	1,241,865	(109,084)	(8)%
Debt Service	687,653	1,528,007	840,354	122%
Recharge Basin O&M	3,448,412	3,210,895	(237,517)	(7)%
Total Expenses	\$ 12,017,729	\$ 13,371,561	\$ 1,353,832	11%

WATERMASTER EXPENSES AND SALARIES - #1

The first section of the Proposed FY 2026/27 budget relates to Watermaster Expenses, Labor, and Burden. The proposed Watermaster expenses for FY 2026/27 are \$1,012,048 or 5% above the previous year's Approved Budget of \$966,789. Labor and Burden for FY 2026/27 are \$3,106,698 which is \$202,271 or 7% above the previous year's Approved Budget of \$2,904,427. The Full Time Equivalent (FTE) number of Watermaster employees for the Proposed FY 2025/26 Budget is currently at 12 FTE though not all budgeted positions are presently filled.

	FY 2025/26 Amended Budget	FY 2026/27 Proposed Budget	Budget Variance (\$)	Budget Variance (%)
Watermaster Expenses				
Total Expenses	\$ 966,789	\$ 1,012,048	\$ 45,259	5%
Total Payroll and Payroll Burden	2,904,427	3,106,698	202,271	7%
Total Watermaster Expenses	\$ 3,871,216	\$ 4,118,746	\$ 247,530	6%

All proposed adjustments to the Labor and Burden expense category are routine and follow past Watermaster practices and policy. Watermaster is using the approved Salary Schedule from FY 2025/26 and budgeting a 3.4 % Cost of Living adjustment effective July 1, 2026 using January CPI as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the San Bernardino/Riverside areas. There are no new employee benefits being proposed that create additional costs for Watermaster. The draft FY 2026/27 Proposed Pay Schedule is shown in Attachment 3.

ENGINEERING SERVICES - #2

The second section of the Proposed FY 2026/27 budget relates to Watermaster Engineering Services. The Engineering Services budget is proposed at \$3,272,047 which is \$612,548 or 23% above the Approved FY 2025/26 Budget of \$2,659,500 (which excludes Carry-Over funding for ongoing projects).

The Engineering Services documents are provided below in Attachment 4, a 49-page detailed narrative including Rationale, Scope of Work, Deliverables for each budget category, and 6 pages of supplemental information in Tables 1 through 4.

Incorporated within the Engineering Services budget of \$3,272,047 are the Ground-Level Monitoring Committee (GLMC) recommendations for FY 2026/27. The GLMC recommended a proposed budget of \$462,032 less anticipated "Carry-Over" funding of \$0 for a budget amount of \$462,032 for FY 2026/27.

Based on the discussions at meetings held by the GLMC, the recommendations and associated budget are shown below in Attachment 5.

The following chart details the proposed Engineering Services budget for FY 2026/27 categorized by Watermaster account number. The comparison is between the FY 2026/27 Proposed Budget of \$3,272,047 and the FY 2025/26 Adopted Budget of \$2,659,500 plus Carry-Over funding of \$588,838 for ongoing projects.

	FY 2025/26 Amended Budget w/Carryover	FY 2026/27 Proposed Budget	Budget Variance (\$)	Budget Variance (%)
WY Engineering Services				
Engineering Services				
5901.8 Admin-Meeting - West Yost	38,909	40,163	\$ 1,253	3%
5906.71 Admin-Data Req-CBWM Staff	109,124	112,652	3,528	3%
5906.72 Admin-Data Req-Non CBWM Staff	56,483	58,316	1,833	3%
5925 Ag Prod & Estimation-West Yost	36,336	-	(36,336)	(100)%
5935 Admin-Mat'l Phy Inj Requests	41,668	36,096	(5,572)	(13)%
5945 WM Annual Report Prep-West Yost	17,762	18,334	572	3%
5965 Support Data Collect-West Yost	27,302	27,626	324	1%
6206 West Yost-Eng. Serv.-Advisory	22,624	23,367	743	3%
6306 West Yost-Eng. Services-Board	22,624	23,367	743	3%
6901.8 OBMP - Meeting - West Yost	38,909	40,163	1,253	3%
6901.95 OBMP - Reporting - West Yost	66,832	67,310	478	1%
6906 OBMP Engineering Services	65,810	67,966	2,156	3%
6906.1 OBMP-Watermaster Model Update	67,619	88,388	20,769	31%
6906.21 State of the Basin Report	-	169,740	169,740	-
7104.3 Grdwtr Level-Engineering	290,594	299,381	8,787	3%
7104.8 Grdwtr Level-Contracted Serv	29,128	41,168	12,040	41%
7104.9 Grdwtr Level-Capital Equip	19,000	19,000	-	0%
7202 Comp Recharge-Engineering	23,350	24,090	740	3%
7202.2 Engineering Svc	236,496	516,550	280,054	118%
7302 PBHSP Monitoring Prog-Eng. Serv	86,892	76,551	(10,341)	(12)%
7303 PE3&5-Engineering	21,080	21,760	680	3%
7306 PE3&5-Outside Professionals	31,500	6,750	(24,750)	(79)%
7402 PE4-Engineering	301,531	285,874	(15,658)	(5)%
7402.10 PE4 - Northwest MZ1 Area Proj.	294,166	107,696	(186,470)	(63)%
7403 PE4-Contract Svcs-InSar	28,600	17,600	(11,000)	(38)%
7406 PE4-Outside Professionals	55,155	31,140	(24,015)	(44)%
7408 PE4 - Network Equipment	19,107	19,722	615	3%
7502 PE6&7-Engineering	406,964	363,996	(42,968)	(11)%
7505 PE6&7-Lab Services	41,300	42,100	800	2%
7510 PE6&7-IEUA Salinity Mgmt. Plan	9,522	9,562	40	0%
7511 PE6&7-SAWBMPTask Force	28,022	33,590	5,568	20%
7517 Surface Water-Chino Creek-IEUA	48,434	33,982	(14,452)	(30)%
7520 Prep Water Quality Mgmt Plan	39,250	-	(39,250)	(100)%
7610 PE8&9-Support 2020 Mgmt. Plan	21,720	-	(21,720)	(100)%
7614 PE8&9-Support Implementation of SY Court Order	248,619	236,739	(11,880)	(5)%
7615 PE8&9-Develop 2025 Storage Plan	137,816	166,080	28,264	21%
8306 West Yost-Eng. Services-AP	22,624	23,367	743	3%
8406 West Yost-Eng. Services-OAP	22,624	23,367	743	3%
8506 West Yost-Eng. Services-ONAP	22,624	23,367	743	3%
Engineering Services	\$ 3,501,242	\$ 3,513,272	\$ 12,031	0%
IEUA Cost Share	(157,248)	(201,975)	(44,727)	28%
Carry-Over Work	(96,000)	(39,250)	56,750	(59)%
Total WY Engineering Services to be Assessed	\$ 3,247,994	\$ 3,272,047	\$ 24,054	1%

LEGAL SERVICES - #3

The third section of the Proposed FY 2026/27 budget relates to Watermaster Legal Services. The Proposed FY 2026/27 Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck budget is \$1,241,865 which is \$109,084 or 8% below the FY 2025/26 Approved Budget of \$1,350,949.

The following chart details the proposed Legal Services budget for FY 2026/27 categorized by Watermaster's account numbers. The comparison is between the FY 2026/27 Proposed Budget of \$1,241,865 and the FY 2025/26 Approved Budget of \$1,350,949.

	FY 2025/26 Amended Budget	FY 2026/27 Proposed Budget	Budget Variance (\$)	Budget Variance (%)
BHFS Legal Services				
Administrative (6070s)				
6071 BHFS Legal - Court Coordination	76,000	80,400	4,400	6%
6072 BHFS Legal - Rules & Regs	10,495	11,075	580	6%
6073 BHFS Legal - Personnel Matters	28,150	30,500	2,350	8%
6074 BHFS Legal - Interagency Issues	40,536	48,600	8,064	20%
6077 BHFS Legal - Party Status Maint	13,590	14,950	1,360	10%
6078 BHFS Legal - Miscellaneous	177,240	187,800	10,560	6%
Administrative (6070s)	\$ 346,011	\$ 373,325	\$ 27,314	8%
Meetings (62, 63, 83, 84, 85)				
6275 BHFS Legal - Advisory Committee	27,764	29,700	1,936	7%
6375 BHFS Legal - Board Meeting	88,704	95,040	6,336	7%
6375.1 BHFS Legal - Board Workshop(s)	29,215	31,275	2,060	7%
8375 BHFS Legal - Appropriative Pool	34,705	37,125	2,420	7%
8475 BHFS Legal - Agricultural Pool	34,705	37,125	2,420	7%
8575 BHFS Legal - Non-Ag Pool	34,705	37,125	2,420	7%
Meetings (62, 63, 83, 84, 85)	249,798	267,390	17,592	7%
OBMP (6900s)				
6907.31 Archibald South Plume	12,565	13,400	835	7%
6907.32 Chino Airport Plume	12,565	13,400	835	7%
6907.33 Desalter/Hydraulic Control	38,680	41,400	2,720	7%
6907.34 Santa Ana River Water Rights	21,405	22,425	1,020	5%
6907.38 Reg. Water Quality Cntrl Board	63,200	69,600	6,400	10%
6907.39 Recharge Master Plan	14,270	29,900	15,630	110%
6907.41 Prado Basin Habitat Sustain	10,290	10,850	560	5%
6907.44 SGMA Compliance	10,290	10,850	560	5%
6907.45 OBMP Update	177,240	187,800	10,560	6%
6907.47 2020 Safe Yield Reset	151,180	159,900	8,720	6%
6907.50 San Sev Dischrg-State Ct Litig	54,130	-	(54,130)	(100)%
6907.51 San Sev Dischrg-CWA Litigation	150,440	-	(150,440)	(100)%
6907.9 WM Legal Counsel-Unanticipated	38,885	41,625	2,740	7%
OBMP (6900s)	755,140	601,150	(153,990)	(20)%
Total BHFS Legal Services to be Assessed	\$ 1,350,949	\$ 1,241,865	\$ (109,084)	(8)%

As with past practices over the last ten plus years, the Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck Legal Services budget has been developed using a formula of assumed hours to complete a specific task multiplied by the hourly rate. Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck hourly rates for some staff reflect an increase for FY 2026/27.

Brownstein has provided a detailed memorandum and worksheet which is provided below in Attachment 6 dated April 14, 2026.

DEBT SERVICE AND RECHARGE BASIN O&M COSTS - #4

The fourth section of the Proposed FY 2026/27 budget relates to Recharge Basin O&M, Debt Service, Pay-Go funding for Project 23a, and Capital Projects.

	FY 2025/26 Amended Budget	FY 2026/27 Proposed Budget	Budget Variance (\$)	Budget Variance (%)
Recharge Water Program - Funding from CBWM				
Recharge Operations and Maintenance	\$ 1,697,272	\$ 1,528,250	\$ (169,022)	(10)%
Debt Service	687,653	1,528,007	840,354	122%
Project 23A Funding (pay-go)	1,317,040	924,979	(392,061)	(30)%
Capital Projects	434,100	757,666	323,566	75%
Total Funding from CBWM to be Assessed	\$ 4,136,065	\$ 4,738,902	\$ 602,837	15%

The Recharge Basin O&M expenses are shared costs between IEUA and Watermaster and are based upon the Agreement for Operations and Maintenance of Facilities to Implement the Chino Basin Recharge Master Plan. The pro-rata cost-sharing methodology is based on the relative proportion of recycled water to the total water recharged in the basins.

The total FY 2026/27 budget for the Watermaster's portion of the shared costs for Recharge Basin O&M expenses is \$1,528,250. The 2025/26 budget for this category was \$1,697,272. The detailed worksheets provided by IEUA for the FY 2026/27 budget are shown in Attachment 7.

The Debt Service is based upon principal and interest on the (1) 2020A Refunding (2008B Variable Revenue Rate Bonds) totaling \$5.7M for 11 years @ 0.849% and matures in 2032; (2) San Sevaime Improvement (SRF Loan) totaling \$1.5M for 30 years @ 1.8% and matures in December 2049; (3) Lower Day Improvement (SRF Loan) totaling \$2.8M for 20 years @ .55% and matures in January 2042; and (4) Wineville/Jurupa/RP-3 Basin Recharge Improvements (SRF Loan) totaling \$15.4M for 20 years @ .55% and matures in March 2046; and (5) Interfund Loan Interest. This section also includes the pay-go portion of the remaining amount for Project 23a (a Recharge Investigations and Projects Committee project) in the amount of \$924,979.

The Proposed FY 2026/27 Debt Service budget is \$1,528,007. The FY 2025/26 budget for this category was \$687,653.

The current budget details regarding the Debt Service provided by IEUA are shown in Attachment 8.

At the Pool Committee meetings held on May 14, 2026, the Appropriative and Overlying (Agricultural) Pool unanimously recommended Advisory Committee to approve the Watermaster Fiscal Year 2026/27 Proposed Budget as presented; the Overlying (Non-Agricultural) Pool unanimously recommended its representatives to support at Advisory Committee and Watermaster Board subject to changes they deem appropriate.

The Fiscal Year 2026/27 Budget was presented to the Advisory Committee on May 21, 2026, where it was unanimously approved.

ATTACHMENTS

1. 20260528 – FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget Detail_\$13,371,561
2. 20260528 – FY 2026-27 Budget Comparative Schedule – Budget Release vs. Workshop 1
3. 20260528 – FY 2026-27 Proposed Pay Schedule_\$3,106,698
4. 20260528 – FY 2026-27 Engineering Services Budget Narrative and Tables_\$3,272,047
5. 20260528 – FY 2026-27 GLMC Technical Memorandum dated May 1, 2026_\$462,032
6. 20260528 – FY 2026-27 BHFS Legal Services_\$1,241,865
7. 20260528 – FY 2026-27 O&M Budget_\$1,528,250
8. 20260528 – FY 2026-27 Debt Service and Recharge Basin O&M



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ATTACHMENT 1

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	FY 2025/26 Approved Carryover Budget	FY 2025/26 Amended Budget	YTD Actual 3/31/26	FY 2025/26 Projected Ending	FY 2026/27 Proposed Budget	Budget Variance (\$)	Budget Variance (%)
Proposed Annual Budget - Detail							
Revenue							
Administration Revenue							
4000 Mutual Agency Revenue							
4040 Cooperative Agreement	-	195,850	195,850	195,850	200,750	4,900	3%
Local Agency Subsidies	-	195,850	195,850	195,850	200,750	4,900	3%
4110 Appropriative Pool Assessments							
4111 Gross Administration	-	2,781,459	3,503,085	3,503,085	2,949,391	167,932	6%
4111.2 OBMP - Adm Assessment	-	4,101,345	-	-	4,502,833	401,488	10%
4112 Agric. Pool Transfer	-	731,462	688,438	688,438	775,625	44,162	6%
4113 OBMP - Ag Pool Water Reall	-	1,078,563	1,015,123	1,015,123	1,184,146	105,582	10%
4115 Recharge Improvement Payment	-	434,100	875,570	875,570	757,666	323,566	75%
4116 Recharge Debt Payment	-	687,653	343,827	343,827	1,528,007	840,354	122%
4121 Project 23A Funding	-	1,317,040	-	-	924,979	(392,061)	-30%
Admin Assessments-Appropriative Pool	-	11,131,623	6,426,042	6,426,042	12,622,646	1,491,023	13%
4120 Non-Agricultural Pool Assessments							
4123 Non-Agricultural Pool	-	130,217	61,695	61,695	138,079	7,862	6%
4123.3 Non-Ag Pool-Special Assessment	-	-	31,000	31,000	-	-	0%
4124 OBMP Adm Assessment	-	192,009	90,962	90,962	210,805	18,796	10%
Admin Assessments-Non-Ag Pool	-	322,227	183,657	183,657	348,885	26,658	8%
Total Administration Revenue	-	11,649,699	6,805,548	6,805,548	13,172,281	1,522,582	13%
Other Revenue							
4225 Interest Income							
4225 Interest Income	-	368,030	220,755	294,340	199,280	(168,750)	-46%
4730 Prorated Interest Income							
4731 Interest - Agri. Pool	-	-	36,792	-	-	-	0%
4732 Interest - Approp. Pool	-	-	12,083	-	-	-	0%
4733 Interest - Non-Ag Pool	-	-	2,179	-	-	-	0%
4738 Interest - Replenishment	-	-	1,066	-	-	-	0%
Interest Income	-	368,030	272,874	294,340	199,280	(168,750)	-46%
Miscellaneous Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Total Other Revenue	-	368,030	272,874	294,340	199,280	(168,750)	-46%
Total Revenue	-	12,017,729	7,078,422	7,099,888	13,371,561	1,353,832	11%
Expenses							
Judgment Administration Expense							
5900 Judgment Administration Costs							
5901.1 Admin-Doc. Review-WM Staff	-	74,466	84,612	118,016	105,131	30,666	41%
5901.3 Admin-Field Work-WM Staff	-	14,357	594	854	9,672	(4,685)	-33%
5901.5 Admin-General-WM Staff	-	55,535	5,857	8,420	64,423	8,888	16%
5901.7 Admin-Meeting-WM Staff	-	45,648	41,354	56,319	58,626	12,978	28%
5901.8 Admin-Meeting - West Yost	-	38,909	-	-	40,163	1,253	3%
5901.9 Admin-Reporting-WM Staff	-	21,742	3,843	5,366	22,253	511	2%
5906.71 Admin-Data Req-CBWM Staff	-	109,124	75,128	106,635	112,652	3,528	3%
5906.72 Admin-Data Req-Non CBWM Staff	-	56,483	37,301	47,598	58,316	1,833	3%
5910 Court Coordination/Attend-WM	-	28,837	9,186	11,586	8,775	(20,061)	-70%
5911 Exhibit G-WM Staff	-	6,396	876	1,260	6,330	(66)	-1%
5921 Production Monitoring-WM Staff	-	9,471	-	-	8,011	(1,460)	-15%
5925 Ag Prod & Estimation-West Yost	4,344	31,992	25,757	39,367	-	(36,336)	-100%
5931 Recharge Applications-WM Staff	-	33,092	2,343	3,368	54,181	21,089	64%
5935 Admin-Mat'l Phy Inj Requests	-	41,668	2,639	22,251	36,096	(5,572)	-13%
5941 Reporting-WM Staff	-	44,602	1,155	1,660	52,315	7,713	17%
5945 WM Annual Report Prep-West Yost	-	17,762	12,260	12,760	18,334	572	3%
5951 Rules & Regs-WM Staff	-	11,350	-	-	1,650	(9,700)	-85%
5961 Safe Yield-WM Staff	-	106,006	68,504	98,077	79,210	(26,796)	-25%
5965 Support Data Collect-West Yost	10,000	17,302	16,431	27,302	27,626	324	1%
5971 Storage Agreements-WM Staff	-	20,671	4,215	6,058	7,991	(12,680)	-61%
5981 Water Acct/Database-WM Staff	-	112,036	88,785	121,458	115,133	3,097	3%
5991 Water Transactions-WM Staff	-	13,062	8,434	12,058	14,231	1,169	9%
Judgment Administration Costs	14,344	910,511	489,272	700,412	901,118	(23,736)	-3%
6010 Administration Salary Costs							
6011.11 WM Staff - Overtime	-	18,000	5,987	6,665	18,000	-	0%
6011.10 Accounting-WM Staff	-	280,410	209,489	286,480	329,920	49,510	18%
6011.15 Building Admin-WM Staff	-	31,040	11,644	15,963	41,290	10,250	33%



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63	6011.20 Conference/Seminar-WM Staff	-	50,660	32,973	47,399	48,320	(2,340)	-5%
64	6011.25 Document Review-WM Staff	-	54,110	79,849	110,102	80,580	26,470	49%
65	6011.30 Field Work-WM Staff	-	-	909	1,307	-	-	0%
66	6011.50 General-WM Staff	-	278,870	201,136	282,025	269,320	(9,550)	-3%
67	6011.60 HR-WM Staff	-	100,980	45,901	63,158	142,720	41,740	41%
68	6011.70 IT-WM Staff	-	72,830	49,933	69,719	73,150	320	0%
69	6011.80 Meeting-WM Staff	-	93,640	101,687	141,124	115,570	21,930	23%
70	6011.90 Team Building-WM Staff	-	33,490	15,215	21,808	33,480	(10)	0%
71	6011.95 Training-Give/Receive-WM Staff	-	79,580	35,161	49,957	72,280	(7,300)	-9%
72	6012 Payroll Services	-	2,500	1,530	2,040	2,500	-	0%
73	6015.6 Retroactive Pay	-	-	2,178	2,178	-	-	0%
74	6016 New Employee Search Costs	-	3,480	285	285	3,500	20	1%
75	6017 Temporary Services	-	28,250	-	-	15,000	(13,250)	-47%
76	6018 Fringe Benefits	-	1,134,070	788,632	1,108,951	1,228,962	94,891	8%
77	60199 Payroll Burden Allocated	-	(1,134,070)	(779,841)	(1,108,951)	(1,228,962)	(94,891)	8%
78	Administration Salary Costs	-	1,127,840	802,667	1,100,210	1,245,630	117,790	10%
79	6020 Office Building Expense							
80	6021 Office Lease	-	142,835	122,362	159,320	152,200	9,365	7%
81	6022 Telephone	-	17,680	9,804	13,072	19,200	1,520	9%
82	6023 Office Utilities	-	32,020	26,405	35,207	39,500	7,480	23%
83	6024 Building Repair & Maintenance	-	25,000	18,093	24,123	31,200	6,200	25%
84	6025 Building Renovations	-	10,000	-	-	15,000	5,000	50%
85	6027 Air Access Door Lock Subscription	-	1,000	768	768	1,000	-	0%
86	Office Building Expense	-	228,535	177,432	232,491	258,100	29,565	13%
87	6030 Office Supplies & Equip.							
88	6031.1 Copy Paper	-	750	122	163	500	(250)	-33%
89	6031.7 General Office Supplies	-	20,000	10,671	14,228	17,000	(3,000)	-15%
90	6036 Minor Office Furniture	-	5,000	281	281	1,000	(4,000)	-80%
91	6038 Other Office Equipment	10,038	-	3,794	10,038	-	(10,038)	-100%
92	6039.1 Banking Service Charges	-	10,000	6,400	8,534	10,000	-	0%
93	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	-	8,970	6,507	8,676	10,500	1,530	17%
94	6147 Other Admin Expenses	-	660	120	120	300	(360)	-55%
95	Office Supplies & Equip.	10,038	45,380	27,896	42,040	39,300	(16,118)	-29%
96	6040 Postage & Printing Costs							
97	6042 Postage - General	-	5,190	3,192	4,256	4,500	(690)	-13%
98	6043 Copy Machine Lease	-	20,000	9,930	13,239	13,000	(7,000)	-35%
99	6045 Printing	-	1,500	-	-	1,500	-	0%
100	6046 Court Transcript Services	-	500	-	-	1,000	500	100%
101	Postage and Printing Costs	-	27,190	13,122	17,496	20,000	(7,190)	-26%
102	6050 Information Services							
103	6052.2 Database Support Services	-	91,000	3,998	5,330	91,000	-	0%
104	6052.4 IT Managed Services	-	51,000	24,637	32,849	48,000	(3,000)	-6%
105	6052.5 IT Data Backup/Storage	-	22,000	11,838	15,785	22,000	-	0%
106	6053 Internet Expense	-	15,600	10,015	13,354	12,000	(3,600)	-23%
107	6054 Computer Software	-	20,000	3,873	5,163	20,000	-	0%
108	6055 Computer Hardware	-	20,000	5,600	7,467	20,000	-	0%
109	6056 Website Services	-	4,800	745	993	3,500	(1,300)	-27%
110	Information Services	-	224,400	60,706	80,942	216,500	(7,900)	-4%
111	6060 WM Special Contract Services							
112	6061.1 Accounting Services Consultant	-	50,000	6,545	8,727	25,000	(25,000)	-50%
113	6061.2 HRIS System	-	4,800	2,389	3,186	4,800	-	0%
114	6061.3 Annual Report Services	-	20,000	21,856	24,356	24,500	4,500	23%
115	6062 Audit Services	-	19,450	18,820	18,820	25,000	5,550	29%
116	6062.5 Audit Support Services	-	1,700	1,530	1,530	3,500	1,800	106%
117	6068 Hearing Officer	-	8,000	-	-	5,000	(3,000)	-38%
118	WM Special Contract Services	-	103,950	51,140	56,619	87,800	(16,150)	-16%
119	6070 Watermaster Legal Services							
120	6071 BHFS Legal - Court Coordination	-	76,000	315,073	447,000	80,400	4,400	6%
121	6072 BHFS Legal - Rules & Regs	-	10,495	-	-	11,075	580	6%
122	6073 BHFS Legal - Personnel Matters	-	28,150	39,574	70,000	30,500	2,350	8%
123	6074 BHFS Legal - Interagency Issues	-	40,536	-	-	48,600	8,064	20%
124	6077 BHFS Legal - Party Status Maint	-	13,590	-	-	14,950	1,360	10%



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125	6078 BHFS Legal - Miscellaneous	-	177,240	166,254	250,000	187,800	10,560	6%
126	Watermaster Legal Services	-	346,011	520,902	767,000	373,325	27,314	8%
127	6080 Insurance Expense							
128	6085 Business Insurance Package	-	55,000	65,894	65,894	72,000	17,000	31%
129	Insurance Expense	-	55,000	65,894	65,894	72,000	17,000	31%
130	6110 Dues and Subscriptions							
131	6111 Membership Dues	-	40,000	37,383	37,383	40,000	-	0%
132	6112 Subscriptions/Publications	-	900	1,054	1,054	1,100	200	22%
133	Dues and Subscriptions	-	40,900	38,437	38,437	41,100	200	0%
134	6150 Field Supplies & Equipment							
135	6151 Small Tools & Equipment	-	1,000	966	966	1,100	100	10%
136	6152 Safety Shoes	-	800	-	800	900	100	13%
137	6154 Uniforms	-	2,100	1,144	1,525	2,300	200	10%
138	Field Supplies & Equipment	-	3,900	2,110	3,291	4,300	400	10%
139	6170 Travel & Transportation							
140	6171 Vehicle Allowance	-	20,400	14,400	19,200	19,200	(1,200)	-6%
141	6172 Rental Vehicle	-	1,000	-	-	1,000	-	0%
142	6173 Airfare/Mileage	-	5,000	163	218	5,000	-	0%
143	6175 Vehicle Fuel	-	3,600	1,445	1,927	2,500	(1,100)	-31%
144	6177 Vehicle Repairs & Maintenance	-	5,600	766	1,021	5,600	-	0%
145	Travel and Transportation	-	35,600	16,774	22,366	33,300	(2,300)	-6%
146	6190 Conferences & Seminars							
147	6191 Conferences - General	-	12,000	12,337	14,337	18,000	6,000	50%
148	6193 Employee Training	-	31,500	5,060	6,747	24,000	(7,500)	-24%
149	Conferences and Seminars	-	43,500	17,397	21,084	42,000	(1,500)	-3%
150	6200 Advisory Committee Expenses							
151	6201 WM Staff Salaries	-	61,397	35,191	48,509	83,643	22,246	36%
152	6206 West Yost-Eng. Serv.-Advisory	-	22,624	14,099	19,796	23,367	743	3%
153	6275 BHFS Legal - Advisory Committee	-	27,764	18,828	27,500	29,700	1,936	7%
154	Advisory Committee Expenses	-	111,785	68,118	95,805	136,710	24,925	22%
155	6300 Watermaster Board Expenses							
156	6301 WM Staff Salaries	-	101,669	79,023	109,400	114,655	12,986	13%
157	6306 West Yost-Eng. Services-Board	-	22,624	19,010	31,072	23,367	743	3%
158	6311 Board Member Compensation	-	40,000	23,625	31,500	40,000	-	0%
159	6312 Board Meeting Expenses	-	8,650	7,540	10,053	10,000	1,350	16%
160	6313 Board Member Expenses	-	300	-	-	2,000	1,700	567%
161	6375 BHFS Legal - Board Meeting	-	88,704	87,021	120,000	95,040	6,336	7%
162	6375.1 BHFS Legal - Board Workshop(s)	-	29,215	-	-	31,275	2,060	7%
163	6375.2 Board Workshop Expenses-Misc.	-	40,000	2,010	2,010	-	(40,000)	-100%
164	Watermaster Board Expenses	-	331,162	218,229	304,036	316,337	(14,825)	-4%
165	8300 Appropriative Pool Administration							
166	8301 WM Staff Salaries	-	89,707	71,848	99,449	98,190	8,483	9%
167	8306 West Yost-Eng. Services-AP	-	22,624	18,178	26,183	23,367	743	3%
168	8367 Legal Service	-	-	22,673	30,231	-	-	0%
169	8375 BHFS Legal - Appropriative Pool	-	34,705	14,086	25,000	37,125	2,420	7%
170	Appropriative Pool Administration	-	147,036	126,785	180,863	158,682	11,646	8%
171	8400 Agricultural Pool Administration							
172	8401 WM Staff	-	83,199	31,241	43,253	81,908	(1,291)	-2%
173	8406 West Yost-Eng. Services-OAP	-	22,624	13,083	21,478	23,367	743	3%
174	8467 Ag Legal & Technical Services	-	-	133,150	177,533	-	-	0%
175	8470 Ag Meeting Attend -Special	-	-	26,750	35,667	-	-	0%
176	8471 Ag Pool Expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
177	8475 BHFS Legal - Agricultural Pool	-	34,705	13,426	25,000	37,125	2,420	7%
178	Agricultural Pool Administration	-	140,528	217,651	302,930	142,400	1,872	1%
179	8500 Non-Agricultural Pool Administration							
180	8501 WM Staff	-	66,256	21,521	29,850	75,258	9,001	14%
181	8506 West Yost-Eng. Services-ONAP	-	22,624	9,305	14,351	23,367	743	3%
182	8511 Non-Ag Pool Member Compensation	-	-	4,875	4,875	-	-	0%
183	8567 Non-Ag Legal Service	-	-	935	935	-	-	0%
184	8575 BHFS Legal - Non-Ag Pool	-	34,705	14,086	25,000	37,125	2,420	7%
185	Non-Agricultural Pool Administration	-	123,585	50,722	75,012	135,749	12,164	10%



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186 9500 Allocated Administration Expenses							
187 9500 Allocated Admin Expenditures	-	(403,675)	(347,392)	(463,189)	(361,257)	42,418	-11%
188 Allocated Administration Expenses	-	(403,675)	(347,392)	(463,189)	(361,257)	42,418	-11%
189 Total Judgment Administration Expenses	24,382	3,643,139	2,617,863	3,643,740	3,863,095	195,574	5%
190 OBMP Expenses & Program Elements 1-9							
191 6900 Optimum Basin Mgmt Program							
192 6901.1 OBMP - Doc. Review - WM Staff	-	50,364	39,102	54,290	61,961	11,597	23%
193 6901.3 OBMP - Field Work - WM Staff	-	9,471	2,116	3,042	9,672	201	2%
194 6901.5 OBMP - General - WM Staff	-	52,005	41,002	58,680	41,748	(10,257)	-20%
195 6901.7 OBMP - Meeting - WM Staff	-	33,487	46,427	63,317	20,692	(12,795)	-38%
196 6901.8 OBMP - Meeting - West Yost	-	38,909	34,280	56,888	40,163	1,253	3%
197 6901.9 OBMP - Reporting - WM Staff	-	39,176	4,987	7,103	19,000	(20,176)	-52%
198 6901.95 OBMP - Reporting - West Yost	-	66,832	64,394	66,081	67,310	478	1%
199 OBMP - WM Staff Salaries	-	290,249	232,308	309,401	260,545	(29,703)	-10%
200 6903 OBMP - SAWPA Group							
201 6903 OBMP SAWPA Group	-	18,952	7,608	7,608	8,986	(9,966)	-53%
202 OBMP - SAWPA Group	-	18,952	7,608	7,608	8,986	(9,966)	-53%
203 6906 OBMP - Engineering Services							
204 6906 OBMP Engineering Services	-	65,810	47,400	65,097	67,966	2,156	3%
205 6906.1 OBMP-Watermaster Model Update	59,443	8,176	41,706	64,329	88,388	20,769	31%
206 6906.14 Modeling for WSIP-100% IEUA	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
207 6906.21 State of the Basin Report	-	-	-	-	169,740	169,740	0%
208 OBMP - Enginnering Services	59,443	73,992	89,106	129,426	326,094	192,659	144%
209 6907 OBMP - Legal							
210 6907.31 Archibald South Plume	-	12,565	-	-	13,400	835	7%
211 6907.32 Chino Airport Plume	-	12,565	-	-	13,400	835	7%
212 6907.33 Desalter/Hydraulic Control	-	38,680	-	-	41,400	2,720	7%
213 6907.34 Santa Ana River Water Rights	-	21,405	8,157	9,500	22,425	1,020	5%
214 6907.38 Reg. Water Quality Cntrl Board	-	63,200	-	20,000	69,600	6,400	10%
215 6907.39 Recharge Master Plan	-	14,270	8,948	12,000	29,900	15,630	110%
216 6907.41 Prado Basin Habitat Sustain	-	10,290	-	5,000	10,850	560	5%
217 6907.44 SGMA Compliance	-	10,290	-	2,500	10,850	560	5%
218 6907.45 OBMP Update	-	177,240	8,799	25,000	187,800	10,560	6%
219 6907.47 2020 Safe Yield Reset	-	151,180	28,353	100,000	159,900	8,720	6%
220 6907.50 San Sev Dischrg-State Ct Litig	-	54,130	-	-	-	(54,130)	-100%
221 6907.51 San Sev Dischrg-CWA Litigation	-	150,440	339,775	490,000	-	(150,440)	-100%
222 6907.9 WM Legal Counsel-Unanticipated	-	38,885	-	-	41,625	2,740	7%
223 OBMP - Legal Services	-	755,140	394,032	664,000	601,150	(153,990)	-20%
224 6909 OBMP - Miscellaneous Expenses							
225 6909.3 OBMP Permits	-	2,200	2,431	2,431	2,200	-	0%
226 6909.6 OBMP Expenses - Miscellaneous	-	96,000	-	-	96,000	-	0%
227 OBMP - Miscellaneous Expenses	-	98,200	2,431	2,431	98,200	-	0%
228 Optimum Basin Mgmt Program	59,443	1,236,523	725,485	1,112,866	1,294,975	(990)	0%
229 7103 Groundwater Quality Monitoring							
230 7103.6 Grdwtr Qual-Supplies	-	4,500	1,636	2,182	4,500	-	0%
231 Groundwater Quality Monitoring	-	4,500	1,636	2,182	4,500	-	0%
233 7104 Groundwater Level Monitoring							
234 7104.1 PE 1 Monitoring - WM Staff	-	166,708	182,184	252,882	160,502	(6,206)	-4%
235 7104.3 Grdwtr Level-Engineering	15,800	274,794	180,769	285,375	299,381	8,787	3%
236 7104.6 Grdwtr Level-Supplies	-	2,250	2,567	3,423	2,500	250	11%
237 7104.7 Grdwtr Level-WM Staff-Cap Equip	-	9,000	8,913	9,000	9,800	800	9%
238 7104.8 Grdwtr Level-Contracted Serv	-	29,128	6,246	26,692	41,168	12,040	41%
239 7104.9 Grdwtr Level-Capital Equip	-	19,000	5,063	23,768	19,000	-	0%
240 Groundwater Level Monitoring	15,800	500,880	385,743	601,140	532,350	15,671	3%
241 7200 OBMP Pgm Element 2 - Comp Recharge							
242 7201 PE2 Comp Recharge - WM Staff	-	49,649	74,803	105,783	92,004	42,354	85%
243 7202 Comp Recharge-Engineering	-	23,350	7,831	17,164	24,090	740	3%
244 7202.2 Engineering Svc	55,000	181,496	111,471	221,992	516,550	280,054	118%



CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET - DETAIL
FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027

		A	B	C	D	E = D - (A+B)	E = D / (A+B)	
Proposed Annual Budget - Detail		FY 2025/26 Approved Carryover Budget	FY 2025/26 Amended Budget	YTD Actual 3/31/26	FY 2025/26 Projected Ending	FY 2026/27 Proposed Budget	Budget Variance (\$)	Budget Variance (%)
245	7204 Comp Recharge-Supplies	-	2,000	-	-	2,000	-	0%
246	7205 Comp Recharge-Other Expense	-	14,500	14,306	14,306	15,500	1,000	7%
247	7206 Comp Recharge-O&M	-	1,697,272	847,236	1,697,272	1,528,250	(169,022)	-10%
248	OBMP Pgm Element 2 - Comp Recharge	55,000	1,968,267	1,055,648	2,056,518	2,178,393	155,126	8%
249	7300 OBMP Pgm Element 3 & 5 - Water Supply Plan-Desalter							
250	7301 PE3&5 Water Supply - WM Staff	-	19,189	-	-	13,796	(5,392)	-28%
251	7301.1 PE5 Regional Prgm - WM Staff	-	16,759	576	828	9,672	(7,087)	-42%
252	7302 PBHSP Monitoring Prog-Eng. Serv	9,100	77,792	56,240	87,321	76,551	(10,341)	-12%
253	7303 PE3&5-Engineering	-	21,080	8,425	18,080	21,760	680	3%
254	7305 PE3&5-Supplies	-	7,000	3,566	4,755	7,000	-	0%
255	7306 PE3&5-Outside Professionals	-	31,500	16,324	37,851	6,750	(24,750)	-79%
256	OBMP Pgm Element 3 & 5 - Water Supply Plan	9,100	173,320	85,131	148,835	135,529	(46,891)	-26%
257	7400 OBMP Pgm Element 4 - Mgmt Zone Strategies							
258	7401 PE 4 MZ1 Mgmt Plan - WM Staff	-	25,595	798	878	15,467	(10,127)	-40%
259	7402 PE4-Engineering	-	301,531	124,850	287,076	285,874	(15,658)	-5%
260	7402.10 PE4 - Northwest MZ1 Area Proj.	124,788	169,378	156,167	257,578	107,696	(186,470)	-63%
261	7403 PE4-Contract Svcs-InSar	-	28,600	23,277	25,600	17,600	(11,000)	-38%
262	7404 PE4-Supplies	-	2,210	2,292	2,292	2,300	90	4%
263	7405 PE4-Other Expense	-	2,500	304	405	1,500	(1,000)	-40%
264	7406 PE4-Outside Professionals	-	55,155	-	55,155	31,140	(24,015)	-44%
265	7408 PE4 - Network Equipment	-	19,107	5,144	17,377	19,722	615	3%
266	OBMP Pgm Element 4 - Mgmt Zone Strategies	124,788	604,076	312,832	646,362	481,299	(247,565)	-34%
267	7500 OBMP Pgm Element 6 & 7 - Coop Efforts/Salt Mgmt							
268	7501 PE6 Coop. Prgms - WM Staff	-	22,983	12,475	17,673	29,309	6,326	28%
269	7501.1 PE7 Salt Mgmt. Plan - WM Staff	-	16,786	594	854	14,665	(2,122)	-13%
270	7502 PE6&7-Engineering	41,400	365,564	192,932	346,002	363,996	(42,968)	-11%
271	7502.2 PE7-Groundwtr Quality Model	-	70,216	1,579	69,795	75,130	4,914	7%
272	7505 PE6&7-Lab Services	-	41,300	36,311	46,380	42,100	800	2%
273	7510 PE6&7-IEUA Salinity Mgmt. Plan	-	9,522	14,020	14,416	9,562	40	0%
274	7511 PE6&7-SAWBMPTask Force	-	28,022	21,686	28,022	33,590	5,568	20%
275	7517 Surface Water-Chino Creek-IEUA	20,000	28,434	28,751	31,458	33,982	(14,452)	-30%
276	7520 Prep Water Quality Mgmt Plan	-	39,250	-	-	-	(39,250)	-100%
277	7540 Meter Install - New Meter	-	150,000	-	-	150,000	-	0%
278	7545 Meter Install - Calibrate/Test	34,994	-	-	-	120,000	85,006	243%
279	OBMP Pgm Element 6 & 7 - Coop Efforts/Salt Mgmt	96,394	772,078	308,348	554,601	872,334	3,863	0%
280	7600 OBMP Pgm Element 8 & 9 Storage Mgmt/Conj Use							
281	7601 PE8&9 Storage Mgmt. - WM Staff	-	33,288	48,286	69,151	34,358	1,070	3%
282	7604 PE8&9-Supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
283	7610 PE8&9-Support 2020 Mgmt. Plan	-	21,720	-	-	-	(21,720)	-100%
284	7614 PE8&9-Support Implementation of SY Court Order	168,963	79,656	483,161	434,236	236,739	(11,880)	-5%
285	7615 PE8&9-Develop 2025 Storage Plan	-	137,816	-	-	166,080	28,264	21%
286	OBMP Pgm Element 8 & 9 Storage Mgmt/Conj Use	168,963	272,480	531,447	503,387	437,177	(4,266)	-1%
287	7690 Recharge Improvement Debt & Projects							
288	7690.1 Recharge Improvement Debt Pymts	-	687,653	565,507	687,653	1,528,007	840,354	122%
289	7691.1 Project 23A	-	1,317,040	-	-	924,979	(392,061)	-30%
290	7691.2 GWR-RW OIT Upgrades	-	25,000	-	-	671,666	646,666	2587%
291	7691.3 Ground Water Recharge Condition Assessments	-	25,000	-	-	25,000	-	0%
292	7691.4 GWR Basin PLC Upgrades	-	250,000	-	-	-	(250,000)	-100%
293	7691.5 College Heights Basin Well Sensor Installation	-	75,000	-	-	-	(75,000)	-100%
294	7691.6 GWR/Recycled Water Valve Actuator Rplcmnt	-	37,500	-	-	37,500	-	0%
295	7691.7 RW / GWR SCADA Infrastructure Replacement	-	21,600	-	-	23,500	1,900	9%
296	Recharge Improvement Debt & Projects	-	2,438,793	565,507	687,653	3,210,652	771,859	32%
297	9501 Allocated Administration Expenses - OBMP							
298	9501 Admin Exp. Allocated-OBMP	-	139,094	102,401	112,352	105,765	(33,329)	-24%
299	Allocated Administration Expenses - OBMP	-	139,094	102,401	112,352	105,765	(33,329)	-24%
300	9502 Allocated Administration Expenses - PE 1-9							
301	9502 Admin Exp. Allocated-PE 1-9	-	264,581	244,991	265,261	255,492	(9,089)	-3%
302	Allocated Administration Expenses - PE 1-9	-	264,581	244,991	265,261	255,492	(9,089)	-3%
303	Total OBMP Program Elements 1-9	529,488	8,374,591	4,319,169	6,691,157	9,508,466	604,387	7%
304	Total Expenses	553,870	12,017,729	6,937,032	10,334,897	13,371,561	799,962	6%
305	Net Income/(Loss)	-	-	141,390	(3,235,008)	-		

**CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
ASSESSMENT CALCULATION - *PROJECTED*
FISCAL YEAR 2026/27**

INCLUDES 10% JUDGMENT ADMINISTRATION AND 15% OBMP & PROGRAM ELEMENTS 1-9 OPERATING RESERVES

PRODUCTION BASIS

2024/25 Production & Exchanges in AF (Actuals)
2025/26 Production & Exchanges in AF (Projected) ¹

BUDGET

Judgment Administration ^{2,3}
OBMP & Program Elements 1-9 ²
Judgment Admin, OBMP & PE 1-9 Assessments

TOTAL BUDGET

Less: Budgeted Interest Income
Less: Contributions from Outside Agencies

Subtotal: CASH DEMAND

Less: Net Excess Cash Reserves ⁴

FUNDS REQUIRED TO BE ASSESSED

Proposed Assessments

Judgment Admin, OBMP & PE 1-9 (Minimum \$5.00 Per Producer) A Per Acre-Foot
Grand Total

Prior Year Assessments, (Actuals) Information Only B Per Acre-Foot
Grand Total

Variance Between Proposed Assessments and Prior Year Assessments A - B
Grand Total

Estimated Assessment as of Amended Budget July 24, 2025, Information Only
Grand Total

FY 2025/26 BUDGET ⁵	FY 2026/27 BUDGET	ASSESSMENT	APPROPRIATIVE POOL		AGRICULTURAL POOL		NON-AG POOL	
		96,228.646	74,785.356	77.716%	18,184.178	18.897%	3,259.112	3.387%
		115,000.939	94,857.713	82.484%	17,484.105	15.203%	2,659.121	2.312%
			Judgment Admin	OBMP & PE 1-9	Judgment Admin	OBMP & PE 1-9	Judgment Admin	OBMP & PE 1-9
3,643,139	3,863,095	\$3,863,095	\$3,186,447		\$587,324		\$89,325	
5,935,798	6,297,814	6,297,814		5,194,707		957,485		145,622
\$9,578,936	\$10,160,909	10,160,909	3,186,447	5,194,707	587,324	957,485	89,325	145,622
		10,160,909	3,186,447	5,194,707	587,324	957,485	89,325	145,622
(368,030)	(199,280)	(199,280)		(164,375)		(30,297)		(4,608)
(195,850)	(200,750)	(200,750)		(165,587)		(30,521)		(4,642)
9,015,056	9,760,879	9,760,879	3,186,447	4,864,746	587,324	896,666	89,325	136,372
(1,254,684)								
\$9,015,056	\$9,760,879	\$9,760,879	\$3,186,447	\$4,864,746	\$587,324	\$896,666	\$89,325	\$136,372
			\$33.59	\$51.28	\$33.59	\$51.28	\$33.59	\$51.28
				\$84.87		\$84.87		\$84.87
			\$37.86	\$55.82	\$37.86	\$55.82	\$37.86	\$55.82
				\$93.68		\$93.68		\$93.68
			(\$4.27)	(\$4.54)	(\$4.27)	(\$4.54)	(\$4.27)	(\$4.54)
				(\$8.81)		(\$8.81)		(\$8.81)
			\$39.34	\$58.01	\$39.34	\$58.01	\$39.34	\$58.01
				\$97.35		\$97.35		\$97.35

¹ Due to the timing of when the Budget and the Assessment Package are prepared, actual production numbers on this page may differ from the Budget depending on any last minute corrections during the Assessment Package

² Total costs are allocated to Pools by actual production percentages. Does not include Recharge Debt Payment, Recharge Improvement Projects, Replenishment Water purchases, or RTS charges.

³ Judgment Administration excludes OAP, AP, and ONAP specific legal services, meeting compensation, or Special Funds. These items invoiced separately on the Assessment invoices.

⁴ June 30th fund balance (estimated) less any funds required for Operating Reserves, OAP, AP, or ONAP Reserves, and Carryover replenishment obligations.

⁵ The previous fiscal year's budget numbers are from the previously approved Assessment Package and does not reflect numbers from any amended budget that may have followed.



Chino Basin Watermaster
FY 25/26 Production & Exchanges in Acre-Feet
(Projected)

<u>FY 2025/26 Projected Production</u> (Based On Excel Forecast Model)		
Pool 1 Total:	17,484.105	
Pool 2 Total:	2,659.121	
Pool 3 Minus CDA Total:	94,857.713	
CDA Total:	40,000.000	
Overall Total:	155,000.940	
Overall Minus CDA Total:	115,000.940	

**Projections based on data as of Q3 March 31, 2026.*

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CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET
COMPARATIVE OF BUDGET CHANGES

ATTACHMENT 2

		A	B	C	D	E = D - C	F	G	H = F + G
		YTD Actual 2/28/26	YTD Actual 3/31/26	Advisory Committee FY 2025/26 Projected Ending	Workshop #1 FY 2025/26 Projected Ending	Change in Projections	Advisory Committee FY 2026/27 Proposed Budget	Proposed Budget Adjustments (+/-)	Workshop #1 FY 2026/27 Proposed Budget
1	Revenue								
2	Administration Revenue								
3	4000 Mutual Agency Revenue								
4	4040 Cooperative Agreement	-	195,850	195,850	195,850	-	200,750	-	200,750
5	Local Agency Subsidies	-	195,850	195,850	195,850	-	200,750	-	200,750
6	4110 Appropriative Pool Assessments								
7	4111 Gross Administration	-	2,781,459	3,503,085	3,503,085	-	2,970,411	(21,020)	2,949,391
8	4111.2 OBMP - Adm Assessment	-	4,101,345	-	-	-	4,717,534	(214,701)	4,502,833
9	4112 Agric. Pool Transfer	-	731,462	688,438	688,438	-	781,153	(5,528)	775,625
10	4113 OBMP - Ag Pool Water Reall	-	1,078,563	1,015,123	1,015,123	-	1,240,607	(56,462)	1,184,146
11	4115 Recharge Improvement Payment	-	434,100	875,570	875,570	-	797,000	(39,334)	757,666
12	4116 Recharge Debt Payment	-	687,653	343,827	343,827	-	1,528,007	-	1,528,007
13	4121 Project 23A Funding	-	1,317,040	-	-	-	924,979	-	924,979
14	Admin Assessments-Appropriative Pool	-	11,131,623	6,426,042	6,426,042	-	12,034,712	(337,044)	11,697,667
15	4120 Non-Agricultural Pool Assessments								
16	4123 Non-Agricultural Pool	-	130,217	61,695	61,695	-	139,063	(984)	138,079
17	4123.3 Non-Ag Pool-Special Assessment	-	-	31,000	31,000	-	-	-	-
18	4124 OBMP Adm Assessment	-	192,009	90,962	90,962	-	220,857	(10,051)	210,805
19	Admin Assessments-Non-Ag Pool	-	322,227	183,657	183,657	-	359,920	(11,036)	348,885
20	Total Administration Revenue	-	11,649,699	6,805,548	6,805,548	-	13,520,361	(348,080)	13,172,281
21	Other Revenue								
22	4225 Interest Income								
23	4225 Interest Income	-	368,030	174,034	220,755	33,288	138,840	60,440	199,280
24	4730 Prorated Interest Income								
25	4731 Interest - Agri. Pool	-	-	30,008	36,792	-	-	-	-
26	4732 Interest - Approp. Pool	-	-	9,971	12,083	-	-	-	-
27	4733 Interest - Non-Ag Pool	-	-	1,692	2,179	-	-	-	-
28	4738 Interest - Replenishment	-	-	677	1,066	-	-	-	-
29	Interest Income	-	368,030	216,382	272,874	33,288	138,840	60,440	199,280
30	Miscellaneous Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
31	Total Other Revenue	-	368,030	216,382	272,874	33,288	138,840	60,440	199,280
32	Total Revenue	-	12,017,729	7,021,930	7,078,422	33,288	13,659,201	(287,640)	13,371,561
33	Expenses								
34	Judgment Administration Expense								
35	5900 Judgment Administration Costs								
36	5901.1 Admin-Doc. Review-WM Staff	-	74,466	76,351	84,612	(1,283)	105,131	-	105,131
37	5901.3 Admin-Field Work-WM Staff	-	14,357	594	594	(74)	9,672	-	9,672
38	5901.5 Admin-General-WM Staff	-	55,535	5,857	5,857	(732)	64,423	-	64,423
39	5901.7 Admin-Meeting-WM Staff	-	45,648	34,207	41,354	2,871	58,626	-	58,626
40	5901.8 Admin-Meeting - West Yost	-	38,909	-	-	-	40,163	-	40,163
41	5901.9 Admin-Reporting-WM Staff	-	21,742	3,481	3,843	(73)	22,253	-	22,253
42	5906.71 Admin-Data Req-CBWM Staff	-	109,124	69,446	75,128	-	112,652	-	112,652
43	5906.72 Admin-Data Req-Non CBWM Staff	-	56,483	27,598	37,301	-	58,316	-	58,316
44	5910 Court Coordination/Attend-WM	-	28,837	5,487	9,186	3,013	8,775	-	8,775
45	5911 Exhibit G-WM Staff	-	6,396	876	1,369	(110)	6,330	-	6,330
46	5921 Production Monitoring-WM Staff	-	9,471	-	-	-	8,011	-	8,011
47	5925 Ag Prod & Estimation-West Yost	4,344	31,992	25,757	25,757	-	-	-	-
48	5931 Recharge Applications-WM Staff	-	33,092	2,343	3,661	(293)	54,181	-	54,181
49	5935 Admin-Mat'l Phy Inj Requests	-	41,668	2,251	2,639	-	36,096	-	36,096
50	5941 Reporting-WM Staff	-	44,602	1,155	1,804	(144)	52,315	-	52,315
51	5945 WM Annual Report Prep-West Yost	-	17,762	12,260	12,260	-	18,334	-	18,334
52	5951 Rules & Regs-WM Staff	-	11,350	-	-	-	1,650	-	1,650
53	5961 Safe Yield-WM Staff	-	106,006	67,597	105,620	(7,543)	79,210	-	79,210
54	5965 Support Data Collect-West Yost	10,000	17,302	16,431	27,302	-	27,626	-	27,626
55	5971 Storage Agreements-WM Staff	-	20,671	4,215	6,585	(527)	7,991	-	7,991
56	5981 Water Acct/Database-WM Staff	-	112,036	74,679	88,785	4,771	115,133	-	115,133
57	5991 Water Transactions-WM Staff	-	13,062	8,283	8,434	(885)	14,231	-	14,231
58	Judgment Administration Costs	14,344	910,511	438,867	489,272	(1,008)	901,118	-	901,118
59	6010 Administration Salary Costs								
60	6011.11 WM Staff - Overtime	-	18,000	5,308	5,987	6,665	1,357	-	18,000
61	6011.10 Accounting-WM Staff	-	280,410	175,978	209,489	274,965	329,920	-	329,920
62	6011.15 Building Admin-WM Staff	-	31,040	9,872	11,644	15,963	41,290	-	41,290
63	6011.20 Conference/Seminar-WM Staff	-	50,660	32,973	32,973	51,521	48,320	-	48,320
64	6011.25 Document Review-WM Staff	-	54,110	69,149	79,849	108,045	80,580	-	80,580
65	6011.30 Field Work-WM Staff	-	-	909	909	1,421	-	-	-
66	6011.50 General-WM Staff	-	278,870	184,891	201,136	288,892	269,320	-	269,320
67	6011.60 HR-WM Staff	-	100,980	39,446	45,901	63,158	142,720	-	142,720
68	6011.70 IT-WM Staff	-	72,830	45,225	49,933	70,665	73,150	-	73,150
69	6011.80 Meeting-WM Staff	-	93,640	90,143	101,687	140,848	115,570	-	115,570
70	6011.90 Team Building-WM Staff	-	33,490	15,070	15,215	23,547	33,480	-	33,480
71	6011.95 Training-Give/Receive-WM Staff	-	79,580	33,819	35,161	52,842	72,280	-	72,280
72	6012 Payroll Services	-	2,500	1,369	1,530	2,053	2,500	-	2,500
73	6015.6 Retroactive Pay	-	-	2,178	2,178	2,178	-	-	-
74	6016 New Employee Search Costs	-	3,480	-	285	-	3,500	-	3,500
75	6017 Temporary Services	-	28,250	-	-	-	15,000	-	15,000
76	6018 Fringe Benefits	-	1,134,070	695,727	788,632	1,087,073	1,228,962	-	1,228,962
77	60199 Payroll Burden Allocated	-	(1,134,070)	(697,395)	(779,841)	(1,087,073)	(1,228,962)	-	(1,228,962)
78	Administration Salary Costs	-	1,127,840	704,662	802,667	866	1,245,630	-	1,245,630
79	6020 Office Building Expense								
80	6021 Office Lease	-	142,835	110,042	122,362	159,320	152,200	-	152,200



CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
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COMPARATIVE OF BUDGET CHANGES

		A		B		C		D		E = D - C		F		G		H = F + G	
		FY 2025/26 Approved Carryover Budget	FY 2025/26 Amended Budget	YTD Actual 2/28/26	YTD Actual 3/31/26	Advisory Committee FY 2025/26 Projected Ending	Workshop #1 FY 2025/26 Projected Ending	Change in Projections		Advisory Committee FY 2026/27 Proposed Budget	Proposed Budget Adjustments (+/-)	Workshop #1 FY 2026/27 Proposed Budget					
81	6022 Telephone	-	17,680	8,750	9,804	13,125	13,072	(54)		19,200	-	19,200					
82	6023 Office Utilities	-	32,020	24,191	26,405	36,287	35,207	(1,079)		39,500	-	39,500					
83	6024 Building Repair & Maintenance	-	25,000	16,343	18,093	24,515	24,123	(391)		31,200	-	31,200					
84	6025 Building Renovations	-	10,000	-	-	-	-	-		15,000	-	15,000					
85	6027 Air Access Door Lock Subscription	-	1,000	768	768	768	768	-		1,000	-	1,000					
86	Office Building Expense	-	228,535	160,095	177,432	221,695	232,491	10,795		258,100	-	258,100					
87	6030 Office Supplies & Equip.																
88	6031.1 Copy Paper	-	750	122	122	183	163	(20)		500	-	500					
89	6031.7 General Office Supplies	-	20,000	9,872	10,671	14,807	14,228	(579)		17,000	-	17,000					
90	6036 Minor Office Furniture	-	5,000	281	281	281	281	-		1,000	-	1,000					
91	6038 Other Office Equipment	10,038	-	3,794	3,794	10,038	10,038	-		-	-	-					
92	6039.1 Banking Service Charges	-	10,000	6,400	6,400	9,601	8,534	(1,067)		10,000	-	10,000					
93	6141.1 Meeting Supplies	-	8,970	5,889	6,507	8,833	8,676	(157)		10,500	-	10,500					
94	6147 Other Admin Expenses	-	660	120	120	120	120	-		300	-	300					
95	Office Supplies & Equip.	10,038	45,380	26,478	27,896	43,864	42,040	(1,823)		39,300	-	39,300					
96	6040 Postage & Printing Costs																
97	6042 Postage - General	-	5,190	2,650	3,192	3,975	4,256	281.04		4,500	-	4,500					
98	6043 Copy Machine Lease	-	20,000	7,651	9,930	11,476	13,239	1,763.22		13,000	-	13,000					
99	6045 Printing	-	1,500	-	-	-	-	-		1,500	-	1,500					
100	6046 Court Transcript Services	-	500	-	-	-	-	-		1,000	-	1,000					
101	Postage and Printing Costs	-	27,190	10,301	13,122	15,452	17,496	2,044		20,000	-	20,000					
102	6050 Information Services																
103	6052.2 Database Support Services	-	91,000	3,150	3,998	4,725	5,330	605		91,000	-	91,000					
104	6052.4 IT Managed Services	-	51,000	23,701	24,637	35,551	32,849	(2,701)		48,000	-	48,000					
105	6052.5 IT Data Backup/Storage	-	22,000	10,806	11,838	16,209	15,785	(424)		22,000	-	22,000					
106	6053 Internet Expense	-	15,600	9,145	10,015	13,718	13,354	(364)		12,000	-	12,000					
107	6054 Computer Software	-	20,000	2,408	3,873	3,611	5,163	1,552		20,000	-	20,000					
108	6055 Computer Hardware	-	20,000	5,600	5,600	8,401	7,467	(933)		20,000	-	20,000					
109	6056 Website Services	-	4,800	650	745	975	993	18		3,500	-	3,500					
110	Information Services	-	224,400	55,460	60,706	83,189	80,942	(2,247)		216,500	-	216,500					
111	6060 WM Special Contract Services																
112	6061.1 Accounting Services Consultant	-	50,000	6,545	6,545	9,818	8,727	(1,090.88)		25,000	-	25,000					
113	6061.2 HRIS System	-	4,800	2,093	2,389	3,139	3,186	46		4,800	-	4,800					
114	6061.3 Annual Report Services	-	20,000	20,253	21,856	22,753	24,356	1,603		22,000	2,500	24,500					
115	6062 Audit Services	-	19,450	18,820	18,820	18,820	18,820	-		25,000	-	25,000					
116	6062.5 Audit Support Services	-	1,700	1,530	1,530	1,530	1,530	-		3,500	-	3,500					
117	6068 Hearing Officer	-	8,000	-	-	-	-	-		5,000	-	5,000					
118	WM Special Contract Services	-	103,950	49,241	51,140	56,060	56,619	559		85,300	2,500	87,800					
119	6070 Watermaster Legal Services																
120	6071 BHFS Legal - Court Coordination	-	76,000	191,668	315,073	447,000	447,000	-		80,400	-	80,400					
121	6072 BHFS Legal - Rules & Regs	-	10,495	-	-	-	-	-		11,075	-	11,075					
122	6073 BHFS Legal - Personnel Matters	-	28,150	33,522	39,574	70,000	70,000	-		30,500	-	30,500					
123	6074 BHFS Legal - Interagency Issues	-	40,536	-	-	-	-	-		48,600	-	48,600					
124	6077 BHFS Legal - Party Status Maint	-	13,590	-	-	-	-	-		14,950	-	14,950					
125	6078 BHFS Legal - Miscellaneous	-	177,240	133,419	166,254	250,000	250,000	-		224,700	(36,900)	187,800					
126	Watermaster Legal Services	-	346,011	358,609	520,902	767,000	767,000	-		410,225	(36,900)	373,325					
127	6080 Insurance Expense																
128	6085 Business Insurance Package	-	55,000	65,894	65,894	65,894	65,894	-		72,000	-	72,000					
129	Insurance Expense	-	55,000	65,894	65,894	65,894	65,894	-		72,000	-	72,000					
130	6110 Dues and Subscriptions																
131	6111 Membership Dues	-	40,000	37,383	37,383	37,383	37,383	-		40,000	-	40,000					
132	6112 Subscriptions/Publications	-	900	979	1,054	979	1,054	75		1,100	-	1,100					
133	Dues and Subscriptions	-	40,900	38,362	38,437	38,362	38,437	75		41,100	-	41,100					
134	6150 Field Supplies & Equipment																
135	6151 Small Tools & Equipment	-	1,000	966	966	966	966	-		1,100	-	1,100					
136	6152 Safety Shoes	-	800	-	-	800	800	-		900	-	900					
137	6154 Uniforms	-	2,100	1,144	1,144	1,716	1,525	(191)		2,300	-	2,300					
138	Field Supplies & Equipment	-	3,900	2,110	2,110	3,482	3,291	(191)		4,300	-	4,300					
139	6170 Travel & Transportation																
140	6171 Vehicle Allowance	-	20,400	12,800	14,400	19,200	19,200	-		19,200	-	19,200					
141	6172 Rental Vehicle	-	1,000	-	-	-	-	-		1,000	-	1,000					
142	6173 Airfare/Mileage	-	5,000	89	163	134	218	84		5,000	-	5,000					
143	6175 Vehicle Fuel	-	3,600	1,269	1,445	1,904	1,927	23		2,500	-	2,500					
144	6177 Vehicle Repairs & Maintenance	-	5,600	766	766	1,149	1,021	(128)		5,600	-	5,600					
145	Travel and Transportation	-	35,600	14,924	16,774	22,386	22,366	(20)		33,300	-	33,300					
146	6190 Conferences & Seminars																
147	6191 Conferences - General	-	12,000	9,998	12,337	11,998	14,337	2,340		18,000	-	18,000					
148	6193 Employee Training	-	31,500	4,835	5,060	7,253	6,747	(506)		24,000	-	24,000					
149	Conferences and Seminars	-	43,500	14,833	17,397	19,250	21,084	1,834		42,000	-	42,000					
150	6200 Advisory Committee Expenses																
151	6201 WM Staff Salaries	-	61,397	30,441	35,191	47,565	48,509	945		83,643	-	83,643					
152	6206 West Yost-Eng. Serv.-Advisory	-	22,624	12,147	14,099	19,796	19,796	-		23,367	-	23,367					
153	6275 BHFS Legal - Advisory Committee	-	27,764	10,578	18,828	27,500	27,500	-		29,700	-	29,700					
154	Advisory Committee Expenses	-	111,785	53,166	68,118	94,861	95,805	945		136,710	-	136,710					
155	6300 Watermaster Board Expenses																
156	6301 WM Staff Salaries	-	101,669	69,433	79,023	108,488	109,400	912		114,655	-	114,655					
157	6306 West Yost-Eng. Services-Board	-	22,624	16,932	19,010	31,072	31,072	-		23,367	-	23,367					
158	6311 Board Member Compensation	-	40,000	20,500	23,625	30,750	31,500	750		40,000	-	40,000					
159	6312 Board Meeting Expenses	-	8,650	6,561	7,540	9,841	10,053	212		10,000	-	10,000					



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				YTD Actual 2/28/26	YTD Actual 3/31/26	Advisory Committee FY 2025/26 Projected Ending	Workshop #1 FY 2025/26 Projected Ending	Change in Projections	Advisory Committee FY 2026/27 Proposed Budget	Proposed Budget Adjustments (+/-)	Workshop #1 FY 2026/27 Proposed Budget
160	6313 Board Member Expenses	-	300	-	-	-	-	-	2,000	-	2,000
161	6375 BHFS Legal - Board Meeting	-	88,704	55,965	87,021	120,000	120,000	-	95,040	-	95,040
162	6375.1 BHFS Legal - Board Workshop(s)	-	29,215	-	-	-	-	-	31,275	-	31,275
163	6375.2 Board Workshop Expenses-Misc.	-	40,000	1,816	2,010	1,816	2,010	194	-	-	-
164	Watermaster Board Expenses	-	331,162	171,206	218,229	301,967	304,036	2,068	316,337	-	316,337
165	8300 Appropriative Pool Administration										
166	8301 WM Staff Salaries	-	89,707	63,087	71,848	98,573	99,449	875	98,190	-	98,190
167	8306 West Yost-Eng. Services-AP	-	22,624	16,757	18,178	26,183	26,183	-	23,367	-	23,367
168	8367 Legal Service	-	-	12,286	22,673	18,429	30,231	11,802	-	-	-
169	8375 BHFS Legal - Appropriative Pool	-	34,705	10,786	14,086	25,000	25,000	-	37,125	-	37,125
170	Appropriative Pool Administration	-	147,036	102,916	126,785	168,186	180,863	12,677	158,682	-	158,682
171	8400 Agricultural Pool Administration										
172	8401 WM Staff	-	83,199	27,454	31,241	42,897	43,253	356	81,908	-	81,908
173	8406 West Yost-Eng. Services-OAP	-	22,624	12,051	13,083	21,478	21,478	-	23,367	-	23,367
174	8467 Ag Legal & Technical Services	-	-	113,288	133,150	169,931	177,533	7,602	-	-	-
175	8470 Ag Meeting Attend -Special	-	-	21,625	26,750	32,438	35,667	3,229	-	-	-
176	8475 BHFS Legal - Agricultural Pool	-	34,705	10,126	13,426	25,000	25,000	-	37,125	-	37,125
177	Agricultural Pool Administration	-	140,528	184,544	217,651	291,744	302,930	11,187	142,400	-	142,400
178	8500 Non-Agricultural Pool Administration										
179	8501 WM Staff	-	66,256	19,038	21,521	29,746	29,850	104	75,258	-	75,258
180	8506 West Yost-Eng. Services-ONAP	-	22,624	8,460	9,305	14,351	14,351	-	23,367	-	23,367
181	8511 Non-Ag Pool Member Compensation	-	-	4,875	4,875	4,875	4,875	-	-	-	-
182	8567 Non-Ag Legal Service	-	-	935	935	935	935	-	-	-	-
183	8575 BHFS Legal - Non-Ag Pool	-	34,705	10,786	14,086	25,000	25,000	-	37,125	-	37,125
184	Non-Agricultural Pool Administration	-	123,585	44,094	50,722	74,908	75,012	104	135,749	-	135,749
185	9500 Allocated Administration Expenses										
186	9500 Allocated Admin Expenditures	-	(403,675)	(317,170)	(347,392)	(475,754)	(463,189)	12,566	(368,125)	6,868	(361,257)
187	Allocated Administration Expenses	-	(403,675)	(317,170)	(347,392)	(475,754)	(463,189)	12,566	(368,125)	6,868	(361,257)
188	Total Judgment Administration Expenses	24,382	3,643,139	2,178,590	2,617,863	3,593,310	3,643,740	50,430	3,890,627	(27,532)	3,863,095
189	OBMP Expenses & Program Elements 1-9										
190	6900 Optimum Basin Mgmt Program										
191	6901.1 OBMP - Doc. Review - WM Staff	-	50,364	34,714	39,102	54,241	54,290	49	61,961	-	61,961
192	6901.3 OBMP - Field Work - WM Staff	-	9,471	2,116	2,116	3,306	3,042	(265)	9,672	-	9,672
193	6901.5 OBMP - General - WM Staff	-	52,005	40,408	41,002	63,137	58,680	(4,457)	41,748	-	41,748
194	6901.7 OBMP - Meeting - WM Staff	-	33,487	38,606	46,427	60,322	63,317	2,995	20,692	-	20,692
195	6901.8 OBMP - Meeting - West Yost	-	38,909	24,464	34,280	56,888	56,888	-	40,163	-	40,163
196	6901.9 OBMP - Reporting - WM Staff	-	39,176	4,836	4,987	7,557	7,103	(454)	19,000	-	19,000
197	6901.95 OBMP - Reporting - West Yost	-	66,832	54,140	64,394	66,081	66,081	-	67,310	-	67,310
198	OBMP - WM Staff Salaries	-	290,249	199,285	232,308	311,532	309,401	(2,131)	260,545	-	260,545
199	6903 OBMP - SAWPA Group										
200	6903 OBMP SAWPA Group	-	18,952	7,608	7,608	7,608	7,608	-	8,986	-	8,986
201	OBMP - SAWPA Group	-	18,952	7,608	7,608	7,608	7,608	-	8,986	-	8,986
202	6906 OBMP - Engineering Services										
203	6906 OBMP Engineering Services	-	65,810	36,097	47,400	65,097	65,097	-	67,966	-	67,966
204	6906.1 OBMP-Watermaster Model Update	59,443	8,176	41,706	41,706	64,329	64,329	-	88,388	-	88,388
205	6906.14 Modeling for WSIP-100% IEUA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
206	6906.21 State of the Basin Report	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	169,740	-	169,740
207	OBMP - Engineering Services	59,443	73,992	77,803	89,106	129,426	129,426	-	326,094	-	326,094
208	6907 OBMP - Legal										
209	6907.31 Archibald South Plume	-	12,565	-	-	-	-	-	13,400	-	13,400
210	6907.32 Chino Airport Plume	-	12,565	-	-	-	-	-	13,400	-	13,400
211	6907.33 Desalter/Hydraulic Control	-	38,680	-	-	-	-	-	41,400	-	41,400
212	6907.34 Santa Ana River Water Rights	-	21,405	6,050	8,157	9,500	9,500	-	22,425	-	22,425
213	6907.38 Reg. Water Quality Cntrl Board	-	63,200	-	-	20,000	20,000	-	69,600	-	69,600
214	6907.39 Recharge Master Plan	-	14,270	7,826	8,948	12,000	12,000	-	29,900	-	29,900
215	6907.41 Prado Basin Habitat Sustain	-	10,290	-	-	5,000	5,000	-	10,850	-	10,850
216	6907.44 SGMA Compliance	-	10,290	-	-	2,500	2,500	-	10,850	-	10,850
217	6907.45 OBMP Update	-	177,240	6,636	8,799	25,000	25,000	-	187,800	-	187,800
218	6907.47 2020 Safe Yield Reset	-	151,180	28,001	28,353	100,000	100,000	-	159,900	-	159,900
219	6907.50 San Sev Dischrg-State Ct Litig	-	54,130	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
220	6907.51 San Sev Dischrg-CWA Litigation	-	150,440	219,974	339,775	490,000	490,000	-	202,500	(202,500)	-
219	6907.9 WM Legal Counsel-Unanticipated	-	38,885	-	-	-	-	-	41,625	-	41,625
222	OBMP - Legal Services	-	755,140	268,487	394,032	664,000	664,000	-	803,650	(202,500)	601,150
223	6909 OBMP - Miscellaneous Expenses										
224	6909.3 OBMP Permits	-	2,200	2,431	2,431	2,431	2,431	-	2,200	-	2,200
225	6909.6 OBMP Expenses - Miscellaneous	-	96,000	-	-	-	-	-	96,000	-	96,000
226	OBMP - Miscellaneous Expenses	-	98,200	2,431	2,431	2,431	2,431	-	98,200	-	98,200
227	Optimum Basin Mgmt Program	59,443	1,236,523	555,614	725,485	1,114,997	1,112,866	(2,131)	1,497,475	(202,500)	1,294,975
228	7103 Groundwater Quality Monitoring										
229	7103.6 Grdwtr Qual-Supplies	-	4,500	1,636	1,636	2,455	2,182	(273)	4,500	-	4,500
230	Groundwater Quality Monitoring	-	4,500	1,636	1,636	2,455	2,182	(273)	4,500	-	4,500
232	7104 Groundwater Level Monitoring										
233	7104.1 PE 1 Monitoring - WM Staff	-	166,708	161,593	182,184	252,490	252,882	392	160,502	-	160,502
234	7104.3 Grdwtr Level-Engineering	15,800	274,794	166,675	180,769	285,375	285,375	-	299,381	-	299,381
235	7104.6 Grdwtr Level-Supplies	-	2,250	493	2,567	740	3,423	2,683	2,500	-	2,500
236	7104.7 Grdwtr Level-WM Staff-Cap Equip	-	9,000	3,727	8,913	9,000	9,000	-	9,800	-	9,800
237	7104.8 Grdwtr Level-Contracted Serv	-	29,128	6,192	6,246	26,692	26,692	-	41,168	-	41,168
238	7104.9 Grdwtr Level-Capital Equip	-	19,000	5,063	5,063	23,768	23,768	-	19,000	-	19,000
239	Groundwater Level Monitoring	15,800	500,880	343,743	385,743	598,065	601,140	3,075	532,350	-	532,350



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FY 2025/26 Approved Carryover Budget	FY 2025/26 Amended Budget								
7200 OBMP Pgm Element 2 - Comp Recharge									
-	49,649	70,812	74,803	110,643	105,783	(4,860)	92,004	-	92,004
-	23,350	3,764	7,831	17,164	17,164	-	24,090	-	24,090
55,000	181,496	102,515	111,471	221,992	221,992	-	516,550	-	516,550
-	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	2,000	-	2,000
-	14,500	14,306	14,306	14,306	14,306	-	15,500	-	15,500
-	1,697,272	847,236	847,236	1,697,272	1,697,272	-	1,528,250	-	1,528,250
55,000	1,968,267	1,038,633	1,055,648	2,061,378	2,056,518	(4,860)	2,178,393	-	2,178,393
7300 OBMP Pgm Element 3 & 5 - Water Supply Plan-Desalter									
-	19,189	-	-	-	-	-	13,796	-	13,796
-	16,759	576	576	900	828	(72)	9,672	-	9,672
9,100	77,792	46,813	56,240	87,321	87,321	-	76,551	-	76,551
-	21,080	8,425	8,425	18,080	18,080	-	21,760	-	21,760
-	7,000	-	3,566	-	4,755	4,755	7,000	-	7,000
-	31,500	12,926	16,324	37,851	37,851	-	6,750	-	6,750
9,100	173,320	68,739	85,131	144,152	148,835	4,683	135,529	-	135,529
7400 OBMP Pgm Element 4 - Mgmt Zone Strategies									
-	25,595	182	798	285	878	593	15,467	-	15,467
-	301,531	113,192	124,850	287,076	287,076	-	285,874	-	285,874
124,788	169,378	152,591	156,167	257,578	257,578	-	107,696	-	107,696
-	28,600	17,600	23,277	25,600	25,600	-	17,600	-	17,600
-	2,210	2,101	2,292	2,101	2,292	191	2,300	-	2,300
-	2,500	304	304	456	405	(51)	1,500	-	1,500
-	55,155	-	-	55,155	55,155	-	31,140	-	31,140
-	19,107	4,021	5,144	17,377	17,377	-	19,722	-	19,722
124,788	604,076	289,991	312,832	645,628	646,362	733	481,299	-	481,299
7500 OBMP Pgm Element 6 & 7 - Coop Efforts/Salt Mgmt									
-	22,983	11,881	12,475	18,565	17,673	(891)	29,309	-	29,309
-	16,786	594	594	928	854	(74)	14,665	-	14,665
41,400	365,564	175,681	192,932	346,002	346,002	-	363,996	-	363,996
-	70,216	1,579	1,579	69,795	69,795	-	75,130	-	75,130
-	41,300	36,311	36,311	46,380	46,380	-	42,100	-	42,100
-	9,522	11,333	14,020	14,416	14,416	-	9,562	-	9,562
-	28,022	21,686	21,686	28,022	28,022	-	33,590	-	33,590
20,000	28,434	26,177	28,751	31,458	31,458	-	33,982	-	33,982
-	39,250	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	150,000	-	-	-	-	-	150,000	-	150,000
34,994	-	-	-	-	-	-	120,000	-	120,000
96,394	772,078	285,242	308,348	555,566	554,601	(965)	872,334	-	872,334
7600 OBMP Pgm Element 8 & 9 Storage Mgmt/Conj Use									
-	33,288	47,692	48,286	74,518	69,151	(5,367)	34,358	-	34,358
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	21,720	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
168,963	79,656	389,589	483,161	434,236	434,236	-	248,145	(11,406)	236,739
-	137,816	-	-	-	-	-	166,080	-	166,080
168,963	272,480	437,281	531,447	508,755	503,387	(5,367)	448,583	(11,406)	437,177
7690 Recharge Improvement Debt & Projects									
-	687,653	565,507	565,507	687,653	687,653	-	1,528,007	-	1,528,007
-	1,317,040	-	-	-	-	-	924,979	-	924,979
-	25,000	-	-	-	-	-	550,000	121,666	671,666
-	25,000	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	(25,000)	25,000
-	250,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	75,000	-	-	-	-	-	75,000	(75,000)	-
-	37,500	-	-	-	-	-	75,000	(37,500)	37,500
-	21,600	-	-	-	-	-	47,000	(23,500)	23,500
-	2,438,793	565,507	565,507	687,653	687,653	-	3,249,986	(39,334)	3,210,652
9501 Allocated Administration Expenses - OBMP									
-	139,094	92,449	102,401	92,449	112,352	19,903	107,776	(2,011)	105,765
-	139,094	92,449	102,401	92,449	112,352	19,903	107,776	(2,011)	105,765
9502 Allocated Administration Expenses - PE 1-9									
-	264,581	224,720	244,991	224,720	265,261	40,541	260,349	(4,857)	255,492
-	264,581	224,720	244,991	224,720	265,261	40,541	260,349	(4,857)	255,492
529,488	8,374,591	3,903,555	4,319,169	6,635,818	6,691,157	55,339	9,768,574	(260,108)	9,508,466
553,870	12,017,729	6,082,145	6,937,032	10,229,128	10,334,897	105,769	13,659,201	(287,640)	13,371,561
Total Expenses									
(553,870)	-	939,785	141,390	(3,162,527)	(3,235,008)	(72,481)	-	(0)	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	-
(553,870)	-	939,785	141,390	(3,162,527)	(3,235,008)	(72,481)	-	-	-

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Chino Basin Watermaster Engineering Services *for Fiscal Year 2026/27*

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Chino Basin Watermaster Engineering Services

Fiscal Year 2026/27

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This document summarizes a proposed scope-of-work and cost estimate for Watermaster Engineering Services in fiscal year (FY) 2026/27. For each engineering task in this summary, the following information is provided:

- **Cost Estimate.** This is the estimated cost to complete the task in FY 2026/27, which includes all costs for Watermaster Engineer labor, equipment rentals, laboratory analyses, travel, other subcontractors, etc. Subcontractor costs are passed through with no additional “markup.” The cost estimates include costs that will be covered by cost sharing partners (e.g., IEUA) and/or carryover budget from the prior FY. Hence, the cost to the Watermaster Parties in 2026/27 will be less than the costs stated herein for those tasks with cost share and/or carryover funding.
- **Rationale.** This is a description of why the task is being proposed for FY 2026/27, including references to associated regulatory requirements, Court Orders, CEQA requirements, or agreements.
- **Scope.** This is a summary description of the scope of work required to complete the task.
- **Deliverables.** This is a summary of the task deliverables.

This summary is accompanied by four tables that describe the cost estimates in more detail and compare the cost estimates to the prior year Watermaster budget:

- **Table 1.** This is a detailed line-item cost estimate for each proposed task. It includes totals for the following:
 - **Total Engineering Cost Estimate.** The total cost to complete the task in 2026/27, including Watermaster Engineer labor, equipment rentals, laboratory analyses, travel, other subcontractors, etc.
 - **IEUA Cost Share.** The amount of Total Engineering Cost Estimate covered by IEUA under cost sharing agreements.
 - **Watermaster Engineering Cost Estimate.** The Total Engineering Cost Estimate minus the IEUA Cost Share.
 - **Expected Watermaster Carryover.** The estimated amount of unspent approved budget for work planned for FY 2025/26 that is now expected to be performed in FY 2026/27.¹
 - **Proposed Watermaster Budget for Engineering Services 2026/27.** The Watermaster Engineering Cost Estimate minus Expected Carryover. This is the estimated costs that would be assessed to the Watermaster parties for 2026/27.
- **Table 2.** This table compares the Watermaster Engineering Cost Estimates for FY 2026/27 versus 2025/26.
- **Table 3.** This table explains the variances between the Watermaster Engineering Cost Estimates for FY 2026/27 versus 2025/26 for the tasks with variances greater than \$15,000.

¹ The expected Watermaster carryover does not include the portion of carryover that IEUA would be responsible for in a cost-share; for cost-share projects that assume carryover, IEUA’s portion of carryover is included in the “IEUA Cost Share” column.



- **Table 4.** This table breaks down the Total Engineering Cost Estimate into the various expense categories of labor and other direct costs.

The total proposed cost estimate for engineering services in FY 2026/27 is \$3,513,272. Cost sharing contributions by IEUA (~\$201,975) reduces the estimated costs for Watermaster engineering services to \$3,272,047, which is about \$171,357 less than the Watermaster engineering costs for FY 2025/26. Currently, it is estimated that about \$39,250 of the Watermaster engineering costs will be funded via carryover funds from the FY 2025/26 budget.

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8306, 8506, 8406, 6206, 6306 – OBMP/JUDGMENT ADMIN GENERAL ENGINEERING Pool, Advisory, Watermaster Meetings

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$114,448
Other Direct Costs	\$2,387
Total	\$116,835

Rationale

The Watermaster General Manager and/or the Watermaster Board may direct West Yost to prepare for and attend the following meetings:

- Watermaster Pool meetings (Appropriative, Agricultural, and Overlying Non-Agricultural)
- Watermaster Advisory Committee meetings
- Watermaster Board meetings

Watermaster meetings are assumed to occur in all months except August and December.

Scope of Work

For each meeting, West Yost will prepare engineering updates with supporting maps, charts, tables, handouts, and PowerPoint presentations, as appropriate. West Yost shall also participate in conference calls with Watermaster's General Manager and staff to prepare for the meetings and may be asked by Watermaster staff to help prepare staff reports for business items.

Deliverables

West Yost will deliver the following to Watermaster:

- Maps, charts, tables, handouts, and PowerPoint presentations prepared by West Yost for the meetings.
- Other as-requested deliverables.



6901.8, 5901.8 – OBMP/JUDGMENT ADMIN GENERAL ENGINEERING

Other General Meetings as Requested

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$78,416
Other Direct Costs	\$1,909
Total	\$80,325

Rationale

The Watermaster General Manager and/or the Watermaster Board may direct West Yost to prepare for and attend the following meetings:

- Other general meetings as requested by Watermaster's General Manager or Board.
- Coordination conference calls with Watermaster's General Manager and staff.

Work on this task will be performed only upon request by Watermaster's General Manager or the Board.

Scope of Work

For each meeting, West Yost will prepare supporting maps, charts, tables, handouts, and PowerPoint presentations, as appropriate, and may participate in conference calls to coordinate with Watermaster staff prior to or following the meetings.

Deliverables

West Yost will deliver the following to Watermaster:

- Maps, charts, tables, handouts, and PowerPoint presentations prepared by West Yost for the meetings.
- Other as-requested deliverables.



5935 – OBMP/JUDGMENT ADMIN GENERAL ENGINEERING

Material Physical Injury Requests, Others

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$36,096
Other Direct Costs	\$0
Total	\$36,096

Rationale

At the direction of the Watermaster General Manager, West Yost will conduct a material physical injury analysis for each transfer application, storage application, and recharge application, or as otherwise directed by Watermaster and pursuant to the Peace Agreement and the Rules and Regulations. Specifically, Article 10 of the Watermaster Rules and Regulations (paragraph 10.10) requires that:

"[...] Watermaster prepare a written summary and analysis (which will include an analysis of the potential for material physical injury) of the Application and provide the Parties with a copy of the written summary and advanced notice of the date of Watermaster's scheduled consideration and possible action on any pending Applications."

Per the Peace Agreement (page 8), material physical injury is defined as:

"[...] material injury that is attributable to Recharge, Transfer, storage and recovery, management, movement or Production of water or implementation of the OBMP, including, but not limited to, degradation of water quality, liquefaction, land subsidence, increases in pump lift and adverse impacts associated with rising groundwater."

Scope of Work

This task provides engineering services to assist Watermaster staff in the evaluation of transfer, storage, and recharge applications. Occasionally, Watermaster staff requires engineering services in the evaluation of such transfers. Material physical injury analyses anticipated the fiscal year will cover water transfers among the parties, recharge applications, and storage application, as directed by Watermaster.

Deliverables

The deliverables for this work will be defined by specific Watermaster direction for projects requiring MPI analyses.



5906.71 – OBMP/JUDGMENT ADMIN GENERAL ENGINEERING

Miscellaneous General Manager and Data Requests – from Watermaster Staff

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$112,352
Other Direct Costs	\$300
Total	\$112,652

Rationale

The Watermaster General Manager and/or Watermaster staff may direct West Yost to perform specific technical analyses and/or respond to miscellaneous data requests related to Chino Basin optimum management. The recommended budget estimate is based on prior years' experience.

Scope of Work

West Yost shall perform the following tasks:

- Perform ad hoc analyses and review of documents requested by the Watermaster General Manager and/or Watermaster staff.
- Fulfill requests from the Watermaster General Manager and/or Watermaster staff, including the preparation of PowerPoint presentations, maps, charts, and technical reports.
- Fulfill requests for hydrologic data, model files, model analyses, PowerPoint presentations, maps, charts, technical reports, etc., as requested by Watermaster staff.

Deliverables

West Yost shall deliver to Watermaster data-request deliverables as well as PowerPoint presentations, maps, charts, and technical reports, as requested.



5906.72 – OBMP/JUDGMENT ADMIN GENERAL ENGINEERING

Miscellaneous Data Requests – from Non-Watermaster Staff, Watermaster Parties, and Non-Watermaster Entities

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$58,316
Other Direct Costs	\$0
Total	\$58,316

Rationale

The Watermaster General Manager and/or Watermaster staff may direct West Yost to perform specific technical analyses and/or respond to miscellaneous data requests from Watermaster parties, non-Watermaster staff, and non-Watermaster entities. The recommended budget estimate is based on prior years' experience.

Scope of Work

West Yost shall perform the following tasks:

- Perform ad hoc analyses requested by Watermaster parties, non-Watermaster staff, and non-Watermaster entities, as directed by the Watermaster General Manager and/or Watermaster staff.
- Fulfill requests for hydrologic data, model files, model analyses, PowerPoint presentations, maps, charts, technical reports, etc. requested by Watermaster parties, non-Watermaster staff, or non-Watermaster entities, as directed by Watermaster staff.

Deliverables

West Yost shall deliver to Watermaster the data-request deliverables as well as PowerPoint presentations, maps, charts, and technical reports, as requested by the Watermaster General Manager and/or Watermaster staff.



6901.95 – OBMP/JUDGMENT ADMIN GENERAL ENGINEERING

SGMA Reporting Requirement for April 1, 2027 WC Section 10720.8 (f).

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$24,858
Other Direct Costs	\$0
Total	\$24,858

Rationale

The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) has a requirement that the Watermaster or a local agency of an adjudicated basin identified in WC Section 10720.8(a) submit specific data, information, and reports for the previous water year annually to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) by April 1 of each year. Pursuant to SGMA WC Section 10720.8(f), Watermaster is required to submit:

- (A) Groundwater elevation data unless otherwise submitted pursuant to WC Section 10932
- (B) Annual aggregated data identifying groundwater extraction
- (C) Surface water supply used for or available for use for groundwater recharge or in-lieu use
- (D) Total water use
- (E) Change in groundwater storage
- (F) The annual report submitted to the court

Scope of Work

The reporting period is water year 2025/26. Item (A) has already been submitted for the California Statewide Groundwater Elevation Monitoring (CASGEM) Program, so no further data will be reported pursuant to the SGMA. Items (B) through (D) and (F) will be compiled from the appropriators, the IEUA, and Watermaster. Item (E) is a result from the Chino Basin groundwater model that will be updated with data through September 30, 2026. The change in storage will be estimated from the resulting water budget table for water year 2025/26.

The DWR has implemented an Adjudicated Basin Annual Reporting System, which is an on-line submission system that consists of specialized reporting templates for entering all the required information and provides the capability to upload supporting documents and reports. A Technical Memorandum will be prepared for Watermaster, explicitly documenting the information for Items (A) through (F) that will be populated into the reporting templates for the April 1 submittal.

Deliverables

West Yost shall deliver the following to Watermaster:

- A draft memorandum that documents the information submitted to the DWR Adjudicated Basin Annual Reporting System.
- The draft Memorandum will be submitted to Watermaster in February 2027 for Watermaster review and comment.
- The final Memorandum will be submitted to Watermaster by March 4, 2027 for review and approval by the Watermaster Pools, Advisory Committee, and Board.
- The required information and documents will be submitted to the DWR using the Adjudicated Basin Annual Reporting System by April 1, 2027.



6906 – OBMP/JUDGMENT ADMIN GENERAL ENGINEERING

Project Management

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$67,966
Other Direct Costs	\$0
Total	\$67,966

Rationale

This task is for routine project management and the preparation of quarterly estimated-cost-at-completion reports.

Scope of Work

West Yost shall perform routine project management services, including:

- Set up and update the Integrated Schedule Budget Management (ISBM) system.
- Prepare, execute, and set up accounting for supplemental notice to proceeds and budget authorizations
- Analyze staffing requirements and make assignments for various tasks.
- Review the schedules of deliverables.
- Prepare monthly budget summary tables.
- Prepare the Estimated Cost at Completion (ECAC) and Earned Value (EV) estimates.
- Prepare quarterly progress reports on progress, schedule, and ECAC for Watermaster staff
- Attend joint Watermaster/West Yost senior staff meetings.
- Attend Watermaster budget workshops.

Deliverables

West Yost shall deliver the following to Watermaster:

- Quarterly summary of costs to date, ECACs, and estimates of progress on a task-by-task basis.
- Monthly budget summary tables.



6906.1 – OBMP/JUDGMENT ADMIN GENERAL ENGINEERING

Watermaster Model Update and Required Demonstrations

	Task 1	Task 2	Total
Consultant Labor	\$78,388	\$10,000	\$88,388
Other Direct Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$78,388	\$10,000	\$88,388

Rationale

Watermaster updated its groundwater models in 2007, 2013, 2020, and 2025. Watermaster applies its groundwater model to estimate net recharge and Safe Yield, to assess the state of hydraulic control, to assist with SGMA compliance, to conduct material physical injury assessments, to assist in the development of a storage framework and Storage Management Plan, and to support the development of TDS and nitrate concentration changes in the basin.

Activities historically performed in this task have included: the assessment of the adequacy of supplemental water recharge capacity pursuant to Section 7.3 of the Peace II Agreement; the evaluation of the balance of recharge and discharge; and the evaluation of the cumulative effects of transfers. Each year since 2012, a technical assessment of the adequacy of supplemental water recharge capacity was completed and reported to the Watermaster pursuant to Section 7.3 of the Peace II Agreement.

The evaluation of the balance of recharge and discharge and the cumulative effects of transfers was initiated in FY 2025/26 and will be completed in FY 2026/27 following the completion of the groundwater model update in summer 2026 (the 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation). This effort will include the evaluation of the adequacy of the 6,500 afy supplemental water recharge requirement pursuant to Section 8.4(e) of the Peace II Agreement.

The work anticipated for this line item in FY 2026/27 includes the evaluation of the balance of recharge and discharge and the cumulative effect of transfers and the preparation of annual finding of compliance with Section 7.3 of the Peace II Agreement.

Scope of Work

The consultant shall perform the following tasks:

- **Task 1 – Evaluate the Balance of Recharge and Discharge and the Cumulative Effects of Transfers**
 - Task 1.1—Collect, Compile, and Review Data to Update Historical Hydrology and Prepare Annual Estimate of Balance of Recharge and Discharge. The evaluation of the balance of recharge and discharge is a retrospective analysis of the water budgets in each of the five OBMP management zones (MZs) from the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2026. The consultant will collect and/or compile the necessary data to replace the projection data in the 2025 Chino Valley Model (CVM) for this period, including hydrologic data, pumping data, and recharge data.
 - Task 1.2—Evaluate the Minimum Recharge Quantity in MZ-1. This task will include preparing and running an alternative scenario of the historical model (Task 1.1) to simulate the impact of varying supplemental water recharge in MZ-1. The alternative scenario will be compared to the historical model, and the results will be compared to evaluate whether the minimum recharge quantity in MZ-1 should be greater than 6,500 acre-feet per year. The scope of this task will be precisely defined by the end of FY 2025/26.



- Task 1.3—Compile the Historical Transfers in the Chino Basin and Determine the Annual Avoided Wet-Water Replenishment. The consultant will use the Watermaster Assessment Packages to calculate the avoided wet-water replenishment by Party by year.
- Task 1.4—Evaluate Basin Response to the Water Replenishment That Would Have Occurred in the Absence of Transfers. In this task, the consultant will create a new scenario that will be identical to the calibration run of the 2025 CVM, with imported water recharge increased to the volume that would have occurred in the absence of transfers for the period of July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2026. This scenario will be simulated and compared to the 2025 CVM calibration run (extended through June 30, 2026 in Task 1.1) and to determine the cumulative effect of transfers on the basin.
- Task 1.5—Prepare Report. In this task, the consultant will document the work in Tasks 1.1 through 1.4.
- **Task 2 Prepare Finding of Substantial Compliance.** The work required for this task includes review and update of planning information, testing the adequacy of existing wet-water recharge capacity to meet future wet-water replenishment obligations, and preparation of a technical memorandum to document substantial compliance as required by Section 7.3 of the Peace II Agreement.

Deliverables

For Task 1, West Yost will prepare a report for Watermaster documenting the evaluation of the balance of recharge and discharge, the minimum recharge quantity in MZ-1, and the cumulative effects of transfers.

For Task 2, West Yost will deliver a technical memorandum to Watermaster documenting the annual finding of substantial compliance.



5945 – OBMP/JUDGMENT ADMIN GENERAL ENGINEERING

Assist Watermaster in Preparing the 49th Annual Report

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$18,334
Other Direct Costs	\$0
Total	\$18,334

Rationale

This work is required by the Chino Basin Judgment and the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.

Scope of Work

This task includes support services to assist Watermaster staff in the preparation of the Watermaster's 49th Annual Report documenting Watermaster's activities and water accounting for FY 2025/26. West Yost will work closely with Watermaster staff and their contractor Martin Rauch to provide as-requested support to collect data and prepare content for the Annual Report.

Deliverables

West Yost's deliverables and associated schedule will be defined by Watermaster upon project kick-off in July 2026.



6906.21 – OBMP/JUDGMENT ADMIN GENERAL ENGINEERING

2026 State of the Basin Report

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$169,740
Other Direct Costs	\$0
Total	\$169,740

Rationale

Pursuant to the November 15, 2001 Court Order, Watermaster prepares a State of the Basin report every two years. The State of the Basin reports are used to document how the state of the basin has changed since the implementation of the Peace Agreement in September 2000. The scope of the report includes a characterization of the time histories of groundwater levels and quality, storage, production, recharge (replenishment and other recharge), ground level, state of hydraulic control, desalter planning and engineering, and production meter installation.

Scope of Work

The consultant shall perform the following tasks:

- Compile and analyze production data for FY 2024/25 and FY 2025/26 and prepare exhibits showing production activities by pool and historical trends in production.
- Compile and analyze recharge and recycled water reuse data for FY 2024/25 and FY 2025/26 and prepare exhibits showing groundwater recharge trends.
- Compile and analyze surface water, climate, and land use data and prepare exhibits that show general hydraulic conditions and storage in the Basin.
- Analyze basin-wide water quality and prepare maps that show five-year maximum concentrations for constituents of concern, and historical trends in TDS and nitrate by management zone.
- Prepare rasters depicting the current extent of the VOC plumes.
- Analyze basin-wide groundwater levels and prepare that show historical trends in groundwater levels by management zone with production and recharge trends.
- Create groundwater elevation contours for spring 2026 for the entire basin and the HCMP area.
- Perform raster calculations and comparisons of groundwater-elevation changes that occurred between spring 2000 and spring 2026.
- Compile and analyze ground-level monitoring data for 2021 through 2026 and prepare exhibits showing trends in vertical ground motion in MZ1 and MZ2, and time histories of groundwater pumping, aquifer recharge, groundwater levels, and ground motion in these areas.
- Prepare text to describe analysis of hydrology, storage, production, recharge, groundwater levels, and groundwater quality
- Update ArcGIS Story Map graphics and text.



Deliverables

The West Yost will deliver an updated web-based online interactive State of the Basin Report in ArcGIS StoryMaps. A draft online version will first go to Watermaster staff for review. A final version will be published on Watermaster's website. A digital export of the State of the Basin in a pdf format will be prepared for filing for the court.

The ArcGIS Online State of the Basin is a new format developed for the 2024 State of the Basin effort. Preparing the 2026 State of the Basin in this online format will result in cost savings because the foundational structure and workflows have already been established, and the effort is less intensive than producing a traditional report.

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7502, 7505 – PE1: COMPREHENSIVE MONITORING PROGRAM

Groundwater and Surface Water Quality Monitoring Program

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$222,534
Other Direct Costs	\$51,500
Total	\$274,034

Rationale

The OBMP, Peace Agreements, and Implementation Plan all call for a key-well monitoring program for groundwater quality as part of Program Element 1.² The data generated in Program Element 1 are used for the Biennial State of the Basin Report, the Groundwater Model update and calibration, material physical injury assessments, the evaluation of non-point source groundwater contamination and plumes associated with point-source discharge, Hydraulic Control demonstrations, the Triennial Ambient Water Quality Recomputation³, and evaluation of groundwater/surface water interaction near riparian habitat in the Prado Basin. The groundwater-quality and surface water monitoring programs, as currently implemented, meet the minimum requirements for all the above uses.

The Hydraulic Control Monitoring Program (HCMP)⁴ and the Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Program (PBHSP)⁵ are regulatory monitoring programs with groundwater and surface water monitoring components. Data collected for the HCMP and PBHSP are also used for all other basin-wide uses.⁶

Scope of Work

West Yost shall perform the following tasks:

- Assist Watermaster staff in conducting annual sampling at approximately 28 private wells and 11 monitoring wells between July and October 2026. Samples are sent to Clinical Laboratories for analysis. Sub-tasks include:
 - Annual re-evaluation of wells to sample for the key-well monitoring program.

² OBMP Program Element 1—*Develop and Implement Comprehensive Monitoring Program*.

³ The Hydraulic Control demonstrations and the Triennial Ambient Water Quality Recomputation are salt-management requirements of the Basin Plan: http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/santaana/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/docs/chapter5.pdf

⁴ The HCMP surface water and groundwater monitoring programs are maximum-benefit requirements are salt-management requirements of the Basin Plan: http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/santaana/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/docs/chapter5.pdf and are more specifically described in 2014 HCMP Work Plan.

⁵ Pursuant to Mitigation Measure 4.4-3 in the Peace II CEQA SEIR, the PBHSP adaptive monitoring program includes groundwater and surface water monitoring components to ensure that Peace II Agreement activities to not adversely impact Prado Basin riparian habitat. The PBHSP is an adaptive monitoring program that is implemented under the guidance of the Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Committee (PBHSC) with an annual process of evaluating results and interpretations of the monitoring data and adjusting the monitoring as needed. In FY 2024/25 the proposed PBHSP groundwater and surface water monitoring includes utilization of 15-minute temperature and specific conductance (EC) data measured in the transducers at the PBHSP monitoring wells, and the collection of field water quality parameters quarterly at four surface water sites along Mill and Chino Creeks. For efficiency, the work to download, process, and upload the 15-minute temperature and EC data at the wells is included with the PBHSP transducers in the Groundwater Level Monitoring Program 7104.3.

⁶ Watermaster's groundwater quality monitoring program includes annual sampling at the 21 HCMP monitoring wells and triennial monitoring at the 17 PBHSP wells as part of the basin-wide monitoring program to be used for Watermaster's various purposes and characterization of water quality.



- Perform field work to sample a portion of the wells on an as-needed basis.⁷
- Process, perform quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC), review all field and laboratory data, and upload to HydroDaVE.
- Coordinate and perform field oversight for well rehabilitation, well maintenance, and monitoring support on an as-needed basis.
- Obtain groundwater-quality and surface water-quality data routinely for about 1,100 wells and 50 surface water sites and from all appropriators and cooperators in and immediately adjacent to the Chino Basin. This includes collecting data from about 30 open investigation clean-up sites in the Chino Basin with data available on the GeoTracker⁸ and EnviroStor⁹ websites and checking for any new sites on GeoTracker and EnviroStor with confirmed or potential impacts to groundwater quality. All data collected are checked for reasonableness and compiled into HydroDaVE's centralized database. Subtasks include:
 - Place phone calls, send emails, and attend meetings with the water quality staff of appropriators and other cooperating parties.
 - Collect, process, review, and upload hardcopy, spreadsheet, database, and laboratory electronic data deliverables to HydroDaVE.
- Obtain groundwater and surface water quality data for the HCMP. West Yost shall perform the following tasks:
 - Collect and analyze annual groundwater-quality samples from the 21 HCMP monitoring wells, and quarterly groundwater-quality samples from the two USGS National Water-Quality Assessment Program (NAWQA) and two Santa Ana River Water Company (SARWC) wells. Samples are sent to Clinical Laboratories for analysis. Subtasks include:
 - Schedule field work and coordinate with analytical laboratory.
 - Perform field work. Field work follows the SOPs defined in the 2014 HCMP Work Plan.
 - Process, QA/QC, and upload field and laboratory data to HydroDaVE.
 - Collect and analyze quarterly surface-water quality grab samples at two specified surface-water stations on the Santa Ana River. Samples are sent to Clinical Laboratories for analysis. Subtasks include:
 - Schedule field work and coordinate with analytical laboratory.
 - Perform field work. Field work follows the SOPs defined in the 2014 HCMP Work Plan.
 - Process, QA/QC, and upload field and laboratory data to HydroDaVE.
- Collect, compile, review, and upload the following surface water data to HydroDaVE twice per year:
 - Daily discharge data from POTW discharge locations upstream of Prado Dam.

⁷ An as-needed field budget is provided in the event that Watermaster staff needs assistance in completing the water quality sampling program during the target monitoring period of July 2026 through October 2026. The field work will be performed on an as-needed basis, as directed by Watermaster staff.

⁸ <http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/>

⁹ <http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/>



- Surface water discharge at six USGS gaging stations along the Santa Ana River and tributaries upstream of Prado Dam.
- Collect, review, and upload quarterly surface water quality field parameters for four surface water sites on Chino Creek and Mill Creek for the PBHSP:
 - Perform field work.
 - Process, QA/QC, and upload field data to HydroDaVE.

Deliverables

West Yost shall deliver the following to Watermaster no later than the date or dates indicated:

- All groundwater-quality data from the key well sampling program will be uploaded to HydroDaVE by December 31, 2026.
- All available groundwater-quality data collected from Chino Basin appropriators and cooperators for the January 1, 2026 to June 30, 2026 period will be uploaded to HydroDaVE by October 31, 2026.
- All available groundwater-quality data collected from Chino Basin appropriators and cooperators for the July 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026 period will be uploaded to HydroDaVE by April 30, 2027.
- All annual groundwater-quality data collected at the 21 HCMP monitoring wells, during August 2026 will be uploaded to HydroDaVE by September 30, 2026.
- All quarterly groundwater-quality data collected at the two NAWQA and two SARWC wells during July 2026, October 2026, January 2027, and April 2027, will be uploaded to HydroDaVE by August 31, 2026, November 30, 2026, February 28, 2027, and May 31, 2027, respectively.
- All quarterly surface water-quality data collected at the two Santa Ana River sites and surface water quality field parameters collected at four Chino Creek and Mill Creek sites during July 2026, October 2026, January 2027, and April 2027, will be uploaded to HydroDaVE by August 31, 2026, November 30, 2026, February 28, 2027, and May 31, 2027, respectively.
- All POTW surface water quality and discharge data for POTWs, and discharge data for the USGS gaging stations for January 2026 through September 2026 will be uploaded to HydroDaVE by November 30, 2026, and for October 2026 through December 2026 will be uploaded to HydroDaVE by February 28, 2027.



7104.3, 7104.8, 7104.9 – PE1: COMPREHENSIVE MONITORING PROGRAM

Groundwater-Level Monitoring Program

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$299,364
Other Direct Costs	\$60,185
Total	\$359,549

Rationale

The OBMP, the Peace Agreements, and the Implementation Plan all call for a key well monitoring program for groundwater levels as part of Program Element 1. The data generated in Program Element 1 are used for the Biennial State of the Basin Report, Hydraulic Control demonstrations, land-subsidence monitoring, Groundwater Model development and recalibration, material physical injury assessments, the periodic assessment of Safe Yield, the estimation of storage change, evaluating the impacts of desalter production on nearby private wells, the California Statewide Groundwater Elevation Monitoring (CASGEM) Program,¹⁰ the Triennial Ambient Water Quality Recomputation, and the monitoring of water levels near riparian habitat in Prado Basin to evaluate potential impacts from Peace II Agreement activities.¹¹ Hydraulic Control demonstrations and the Triennial Ambient Water Quality Recomputation are required by the Basin Plan.¹² The groundwater-level monitoring program, as currently implemented, meets the minimum requirements for all the above uses.

Scope of Work

West Yost shall perform the following tasks:

- Collect and compile groundwater-level measurements from about 1,200 wells. Of the 1,200 wells, about 140 wells are equipped with transducers that measure water levels every 15-minutes that are visited and downloaded quarterly by West Yost and Watermaster field staff. At about 50 wells, groundwater-level measurements are measured by Watermaster staff monthly. At about 1,000 wells in and immediately adjacent to the Chino Basin, groundwater-level measurements are measured by appropriators and cooperators, and the data are collected by West Yost or are provided to West Yost from the Watermaster. All data are checked for reasonableness regarding historical data at the well, converted from depth-to-water to groundwater-level elevation, and compiled into the centralized HydroDaVE database. Sub-tasks include:
 - Schedule field work for West Yost field staff.

¹⁰ The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) developed the CASGEM Program in accordance with California State Senate Bill SB 6, which was passed in November 2009. CASGEM is a comprehensive groundwater-elevation monitoring program that utilizes locally implemented monitoring programs to track seasonal and long-term groundwater elevations in the state's alluvial groundwater basins and subbasins, as defined in DWR Bulletin 118. Pursuant to California Water Code Section 10927, Watermaster is the monitoring entity for the Chino and Cucamonga Groundwater Subbasins.

¹¹ Pursuant to Mitigation Measure 4.4-3 in the Peace II CEQA SEIR, monitoring described in the Adaptive Management Plan for the PBHSP is implemented to ensure that Peace II Agreement activities to not adversely impact Prado Basin riparian habitat.

¹² The Hydraulic Control demonstrations and the Triennial Ambient Water Quality Recomputation are salt-management requirements of the Basin Plan: http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/santaana/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/docs/chapter5.pdf



- Perform field work to download and maintain approximately 100 transducers for various monitoring wells in Watermaster’s monitoring network. (Field work follows the Standard Operating Procedures [SOPs] defined in the 2014 HCMP Work Plan.)
- Purchase and install replacement transducers and direct-read cables as needed for all wells in the transducer monitoring programs.
- Perform field work on an as-needed basis¹³ to download transducer data from 30 wells routinely downloaded by Watermaster staff.
- Review and upload manual groundwater-level measurements collected by Watermaster staff monthly to HydroDaVE.
- Process, review, and upload transducer data downloaded quarterly by West Yost staff into HydroDaVE.
- Process, review, and upload cooperators groundwater-level measurements collected by West Yost to HydroDaVE.
- Review and upload transducer data downloaded quarterly by Watermaster staff, and Appropriative pool water-level measurements collected by Watermaster staff to HydroDaVE.
- Annually reevaluate the key well program due to abandoned and destroyed wells.
- Submit groundwater-level data collected at 46 wells to the Chino and Cucamonga CASGEM program¹⁴ on a biennial basis (fall and spring).
- Help coordinate and contract subcontractors for as-needed well maintenance and rehabilitation services for wells in the monitoring network.

Deliverables

West Yost shall deliver the following to Watermaster no later than the date or dates indicated:

- All available groundwater-level data collected manually in the field or downloaded from transducers for the period of July 1, 2026 through September 31, 2026 will be uploaded to HydroDaVE by October 15, 2026.
- All available groundwater-level data collected manually in the field or downloaded from transducers for the period of October 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026 will be uploaded to HydroDaVE by January 15, 2027.
- All available groundwater-level data collected manually in the field or downloaded from transducers for the period of January 1, 2027 through March 31, 2027 will be uploaded into HydroDaVE by April 7, 2027.

¹³ An as-needed budget is provided in the event that Watermaster staff needs assistance in completing the transducer downloads during the target monitoring period for each quarterly download event. The quarterly download of all wells should be completed during the first month at the beginning of each FY quarter—July 2026; October, 2026; January 2027; and April, 2027. Field work will be performed on an as-needed basis, as directed by Watermaster staff.

¹⁴ Watermaster is the designated Monitoring Entity for the Chino and Cucamonga Basins CASGEM program. CASGEM is a mandated statewide monitoring and reporting program for the entire State of California, per the amended California State Water Code SBx7-6 in November 2009.



- All available groundwater-level data collected manually in the field or downloaded from transducers for the period of April 1, 2027 through June 10, 2027 will be uploaded to HydroDaVE by June 30, 2027.
- All available groundwater-level data collected from appropriators in the Chino Basin for the April 1, 2026 through June 30, 2026 period will be uploaded to HydroDaVE by September 15, 2026.
- All available groundwater-level data collected from appropriators in the Chino Basin for the July 1, 2026 through September 30, 2026 period will be uploaded to HydroDaVE by December 15, 2026.
- All available groundwater-level data collected from appropriators in the Chino Basin for the October 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026 period will be uploaded to HydroDaVE by March 15, 2027.
- All available groundwater-level data collected from appropriators in the Chino Basin for the January 1, 2027 through March 31, 2027 period will be uploaded to HydroDaVE by May 31, 2027.
- The fall 2026 CASGEM data submittals will be provided to the DWR by December 31, 2026. The spring 2027 CASGEM data submittals will be provided to the DWR by June 30, 2027.
- Complete coordination and contracting of subcontractors as required to perform as-needed well maintenance and rehabilitation services for wells in the monitoring network.
- Purchase and installation of new replacement transducers and direct-read cables as needed throughout the year for all wells in the transducer monitoring programs.



7402, 7403, 7406, 7408 – PE1: COMPREHENSIVE MONITORING PROGRAM

MZ-1 Ground-Level Monitoring Program

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$166,718
Other Direct Costs	\$61,396
Total	\$228,114

Rationale

Program Element 4 of the OBMP states that land subsidence and ground fissuring in MZ-1 are not acceptable and, to the extent that the cause is pumping in MZ-1, should be managed to tolerable levels. Watermaster conducts a ground-level monitoring program to support Program Element 4 per the requirements of the Peace Agreement, the subsequently developed and Court-approved Chino Basin Subsidence Management Plan, and the monitoring and mitigation requirements of the Peace II California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (SEIR).

Scope of Work

West Yost shall perform the following tasks:

- Maintain and replace (if necessary) the existing monitoring equipment at extensometer and well facilities in the MZ-1 Managed Area and the Areas of Subsidence Concern.
- Download, check, and store monitoring data from extensometers, wells, and recharge activities in the MZ-1 Managed Area and the Areas of Subsidence Concern.
- Conduct GPS surveys at four key control points in the Managed, Northwest, Southeast, and Northeast areas:
 - High-precision GPS acquisition at four control points is recommended over traditional benchmark surveys, as it provides a more cost-effective approach for monitoring vertical ground motion in areas of subsidence concern. This approach also allows for verification of InSAR-derived vertical ground motion estimates, supports calibration of 1D compaction models, and establishes reference elevations for future benchmark surveys.
- Conduct InSAR monitoring of ground motion across western Chino Basin from March 2026 to March 2027 using information collected by the TerraSAR-X satellite.

Deliverables

West Yost shall deliver the following to Watermaster no later than the date or dates indicated:

- All ground-level monitoring data, available as of May 1, 2027, will be uploaded into Watermaster's database by June 30, 2027.



7302, 7306 – PE1: COMPREHENSIVE MONITORING PROGRAM

Prado Basin Habitat Monitoring, Data Analysis and Reporting – 50% IEUA Cost Share

	Cost Estimate ¹⁵
Consultant Labor	\$152,861
Other Direct Costs	\$13,740
Total	\$166,601

Rationale

Mitigation Measure 4.4-3 of the Peace II CEQA SEIR (Biological Resources/Land Use & Planning) calls for the IEUA, Watermaster, and the Orange County Water District to form the Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Committee (PBHSC). The purpose of the PBHSC is to ensure that the Peace II Agreement actions will not significantly or adversely impact the Prado Basin riparian habitat. The responsibilities of the PBHSC are to develop and implement an adaptive monitoring program for the Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Program (PBHSP) and to prepare annual reports that include recommendations for ongoing monitoring and any adaptive management actions required to mitigate any measured or prospective loss of riparian habitat that is attributable to the Peace II Agreement.

Scope of Work

The PBHSP is implemented as described in the Adaptive Management Plan and recommendations in the Annual Reports. The PBHSP includes the implementation of a monitoring program and the preparation of an annual report. The monitoring program includes monitoring of riparian habitat and all factors that can affect the riparian habitat such as changes in groundwater levels, surface water discharge, climate, and other factors.¹⁶ The PBHSP for FY2026/27 is described in the Recommended Scope and Budget Technical Memorandum of the PBHSP for FY 2026/27 developed through the PBHSC. This work includes the following:

- Collect, compile, and review the following riparian habitat data:
 - High-resolution air photo of the Prado Basin region in July 2026.
 - Landsat remote sensing data in the Prado Basin region over the 2026 water year.
- Collect, compile, review, and upload the 2026 climatic data to HydroDaVE.
- Analyze data and prepare a draft and final 2026 Annual Report of the PBHSC.
- Prepare a Recommended Scope and Budget of the PBHSP for FY 2027/28.
- Prepare for and participate in PBHSC meetings.

¹⁵ IEUA will cost share 50 percent of this task.

¹⁶ The groundwater and surface water monitoring components of the PBHSP are included with Tasks 7103.3 and 7104.3 because the data collected are also used for basin-wide monitoring efforts such as for the Biennial State of the Basin report, groundwater modeling, demonstration of Hydraulic Control, and the triennial Ambient Groundwater Quality Recomputation.

Deliverables

West Yost shall deliver the following to Watermaster no later than the date or dates indicated:

- All riparian habitat and climatic data through water year 2026 uploaded to HydroDaVE by November 30, 2026.
- High-resolution air photo of the Prado Basin region completed by July 31, 2026.
- A Recommended Scope and Budget memorandum for the PBHSP for FY 2027/28 by March 15, 2027
- Draft Annual Report of the PBHSC by May 10, 2027.
- Final Annual Report of the PBHSC by June 15, 2027.

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7202 – PE1: COMPREHENSIVE MONITORING PROGRAM

Recharge and Well Monitoring Program: Review Documents for Chino Basin Recycled Water GW Recharge Program

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$24,090
Other Direct Costs	\$0
Total	\$24,090

Rationale

The IEUA and Watermaster are required to submit specific reports as part of the Chino Basin Recycled Water Groundwater Recharge Program (RWGRP). The RWGRP is being implemented by the IEUA and Watermaster as co-permittees. Annual reporting is performed pursuant to the requirements of the following orders:

- California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region. Order No. R8-2007-0039. Water Recycling Requirements for Inland Empire Utilities Agency and Chino Basin Watermaster. Chino Basin Recycled Water Groundwater Recharge Program: Phase I and Phase II Projects, San Bernardino County, June 29, 2007.
- California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region. Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R8-2007-0039 for Inland Empire Utilities Agency and Chino Basin Watermaster. Chino Basin Recycled Water Groundwater Recharge Program: Phase I and Phase II Projects, San Bernardino County, June 29, 2007.
- California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region. Order No. R8-2009-0057 Amending Order No. R8-2007-0039 for Inland Empire Utilities Agency and Chino Basin Watermaster. Chino Basin Recycled Water Groundwater Recharge Program: Phase I and Phase II Projects, San Bernardino County, October 23, 2009.
- California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region. Revised Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R8-2007-0039 for Inland Empire Utilities Agency and Chino Basin Watermaster. Chino Basin Recycled Water.

Watermaster prepares reports pertaining to the HCMP with IEUA review. IEUA prepares reports pertaining to the RWGRP with Watermaster review.¹⁷

Scope of Work

West Yost will review quarterly and annual reports prepared by the IEUA for the RWGRP as well as other reports prepared by the IEUA pursuant to the recharge permit. West Yost will also review other reports or as needed analyses prepared by IEUA per the direction of the Regional Board and the California Department of Drinking Water (DDW), such as five-year engineering reports, and additional monitoring orders or required analyses to demonstrate compliance. West Yost will provide comments and recommendations to the IEUA through the Watermaster as the co-permittee.

Deliverables

West Yost will provide comments on the reports and analyses within ten days of their receipt.

¹⁷ This is a component of the “Bright-Line Agreement” between Watermaster and the IEUA.



5965 – PE1: COMPREHENSIVE MONITORING PROGRAM

Support for Development and Implementation of Improved Data Collection and Visualization Tools

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$27,626
Other Direct Costs	\$0
Total	\$27,626

Rationale

Watermaster collects and manages multiple datasets from the Watermaster Parties (Parties) and the IEUA to support the management of the Chino Basin pursuant to the 1978 Judgement, the ongoing implementation of the OBMP, and the regulatory requirements of State and local agencies. Additionally, the IEUA requests and collects analogous datasets from some of the Parties located within IEUA's service area. As such, the Parties receive multiple requests for duplicate data and information, and the datasets collected separately by Watermaster and the IEUA can contain discrepancies.

In FY 2019/20, Watermaster requested West Yost to develop a recommendation for an improved data collection and management process to eliminate duplicate data requests, avoid discrepancies between collected datasets, and create a centralized location for Watermaster and IEUA to access the data. The recommended process included a centralized portal and database where data are collected and managed by Watermaster monthly or annually using data templates customized for each Party. IEUA would have access to the portal and database to download and review information on its member agencies. From FY 2020/21 through 2025/26, Watermaster implemented the recommended approach to develop the Data Portal for data collection and management. In FY 2024/25 and FY 2025/26, Watermaster identified additional needs to support the development of online data visualization tools, such as ArcGIS Online, to support Watermaster with field monitoring operations and visualization of uploaded data.

Watermaster plans to launch the Data Portal in FY 2026/27. During this period, West Yost will continue to provide support to Watermaster including as needed requests to support the launch of the Data Portal and development of data visualization tools.

Scope of Work

Support Watermaster with as requested support with:

- Development of Data Portal including updating data-collection template, providing solutions to potential issues, and assisting with describing the new process to the Parties.
- Development of online data visualization tools such as ArcGIS Online and other as needed tools.

Deliverables

The deliverables and associated schedule will be defined by Watermaster staff.



7202.2 & 6901.95 – PE2: COMPREHENSIVE RECHARGE PROGRAM

SWRCB and CDFW Water Rights Reporting

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$42,452
Other Direct Costs	\$0
Total	\$42,452

Rationale

Watermaster holds three diversion permits, issued by the SWRCB, that provide authorization to Watermaster to divert and recharge storm and dry-weather discharge. Under this permit, Watermaster is required to conduct the following reporting:

- Annual Streamflow Monitoring Report for Water Rights Permit 21225 to the CDFW, summarizing the findings of a specialized hydrologic assessment of the relative impacts of the diversions of storm water for recharge by Watermaster pursuant to Watermaster's Permit 21225
- Annual Water Rights Reporting to the SWRCB, which includes documentation of water diversion for the prior water year.

Scope of Work

West Yost shall perform the following tasks:

- Task 1 – Annual Streamflow Monitoring Report for Water Rights Permit 21225. This task includes engineering services to prepare a specialized hydrologic assessment of the relative impacts of the diversions of storm water for recharge by Watermaster pursuant to Watermaster's Permit 21225 issued by the State Water Resources Control Board. A report summarizing the analysis is due to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife each year by October 1st. This work involves estimating the discharge to the Santa Ana River from its tributaries that flow across the Chino Basin and where storm water is diverted for recharge. The discharge from these tributaries to the Santa Ana River is estimated with and without the Watermaster diversions for recharge, and the relative changes in discharge are computed. The latest version of the Chino Basin surface water model that was developed for the 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation will be used for this effort.
- Task 2 – Annual Water Rights Reporting to the SWRCB. This task includes providing as-needed assistance to Watermaster staff to update the "Water Diversion Measurement" section of progress reports for Watermaster's water rights permits. For one of the permitted points of diversion, modeling is needed to estimate diversions. The latest version of the Chino Basin surface water model that was developed for the 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation will be used for this effort.

Deliverables

West Yost shall deliver the following to Watermaster:

- Task 1 – Annual Streamflow Monitoring Report for Water Rights Permit 21225
 - A letter report entitled, Annual Streamflow Monitoring Report for Water Rights Permit 21225, Fiscal 2025/26, which Watermaster and its attorney will review and forward to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and State Water Resources Control Board by October 1, 2026.



- The draft report will be delivered to Watermaster and its Attorney for review and comment by September 15, 2026.
- The final report will be delivered to Watermaster and its Attorney by September 27, 2026.
- Task 2 – Annual Water Rights Reporting to the SWRCB
 - Estimates of stormwater recharge, including maximum daily diversions by month by permit.
 - The “Water Diversion Measurement” section of Watermaster’s annual progress reports to the SWRCB.
 - Electronic data files required by SWRCB at time of filing.

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7202.2 – PE2: COMPREHENSIVE RECHARGE PROGRAM

General Engineering Services

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$176,604
Other Direct Costs	\$636
Total	\$177,240

Rationale

Watermaster and the IEUA began implementing the 2013 Amendment to the 2010 Recharge Master Plan (RMPU) in FY 2014/15. The services anticipated in FY 2026/27 include technical support (numerical model simulations, hydraulic calculations, project refinement, conceptual integrity review, etc.) to assist Watermaster and the IEUA in the start-up of the 2013 RMPU projects and evaluate non-2013 RMPU projects, monthly meetings with IEUA and Watermaster staff to review the progress of the RMPU projects, and supporting the implementation of the 2023 RMPU. At Watermaster's request, West Yost will attend quarterly GRCC and RIPComm meetings.

Scope of Work

- Attend GRCC, RIPComm and other meetings with Watermaster and IEUA staff
- Conduct as-needed analysis to support recharge projects
- Support the implementation of the 2013 & 2023 RMPU, including:
 - Perform as-requested technical support for the start-up of the 2013 RMPU projects
 - Refine and implement of the Renewal and Replacement (R&R) Plan including: sharing updated R&R forecasts with Watermaster to obtain feedback and confirm assumptions, meeting with all recharge facilities owners to review assets in 10-year R&R forecast and identify needs for condition assessments, and develop a work plan for conducting condition assessments and other work identified through collaboration with Watermaster.

Deliverables

West Yost will provide guidance and support in the implementation of the 2013 and 2023 RMP. West Yost's deliverables for as-need requests will be determined with each request.



7202.2 – PE2: COMPREHENSIVE RECHARGE PROGRAM

2028 Recharge Master Plan

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$338,832
Other Direct Costs	\$477
Total	\$339,309

Rationale

Pursuant to the Peace II Agreement, Watermaster and the IEUA must update and/or amend the Recharge Master Plan for the Chino Basin no less than every five years. The most recent update, the 2023 Recharge Master Plan, was completed and submitted to the Court in October 2023. The next Recharge Master Plan update (RMPU) must be completed and submitted to the Court in 2028.

During FY 2025/26, the “Annual Finding of Substantial Compliance with the Recharge Master Plan” concluded that under low groundwater level conditions (Scenario 5 of the SYR, which represents high demands, high groundwater utilization, and hot/dry climate/hydrology) the supplemental wet-water recharge capacity is sufficient through 2050 if imported water is available every year. If imported water is available one out of five years, the supplemental wet-water recharge capacity will become insufficient to meet projected replenishment obligations after managed storage accounts reach zero (projected to occur around 2044 in Scenario 5). Additionally, there is a potential loss of recharge from the planned development at the existing Turner 4 Basin.

Based on this, Watermaster is interested in considering and evaluating new recharge projects in the 2028 RMPU. Consideration of new projects will likely result in a 2-year effort for completion the 2028 RMPU, and thus work needs to start in FY 2026/27.

Scope of Work

The scope of work for the 2028 RMPU for FY 2026/27 includes:

- Define objectives and refine scope of work. Under this task, Watermaster will review and refine the scope of the 2028 RMPU through a couple of workshops.
- Develop planning, screening, and evaluation criteria. Under this task Watermaster will develop criteria on how and where to conduct recharge, and to screen and evaluate projects (design, financial, operation, screening and selection criteria) and prepare corresponding section in 2028 RMPU report.
- Describe recharge enhancement opportunities. Under this task, Watermaster will identify potential recharge projects, screen them based on the defined criteria, and determine which project to analyze further.

The work to prepare the 2028 RMPU will continue through October 2028.

Deliverables

West Yost shall deliver the following to Watermaster:

- Workshop agendas, prep materials and notes.
- Documentation of the scope of work to prepare the 2028 RMPU through completion in October 2028.
- Description of the selected planning, screening, and evaluation criteria for project selection.



7303 – PE3/5: WATER SUPPLY PLAN – DESALTERS

Engineering Support for Desalters

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$21,760
Other Direct Costs	\$0
Total	\$21,760

Rationale

The 2004 Basin Plan Amendment approved by the Regional Board and the State Water Resources Control Board established the “maximum benefit” objectives and established certain milestones that must be achieved by Watermaster and the IEUA. To demonstrate compliance with the Regional Board order, Watermaster and the IEUA agreed to achieve Hydraulic Control. The well fields of the Chino Basin Desalter Authority (CDA) are critical to the achievement and maintenance of Hydraulic Control and the demonstration of maximum benefit. The CDA periodically requests from the Watermaster technical assistance, data, information, and attendance at meetings with regulators to support desalter expansion and operations, and the development and implementation of a monitoring and reporting plan for the CDA clean-up project funded by Prop 1 Grant Agreement No. D1712507.

Scope of Work

West Yost shall perform the following tasks at the discretion of the Watermaster General Manager:

- Review and prepare comments on CDA status reports.
- Perform ad hoc analyses requested by the Watermaster General Manager or the CDA.
- Fulfill requests for hydrologic data, model files, model analyses, PowerPoint presentations, maps, charts, technical reports, etc., as requested by the CDA or its consultants.
- Attend meetings and conference calls, as requested by the CDA or its consultants.

Deliverables

West Yost shall deliver the following, at the discretion of the Watermaster General Manager:

- Written comments on the CDA status reports, as requested by the Watermaster general manager.
- PowerPoint presentations, maps, charts, model files, data, technical reports, and recommendations as requested by the CDA.
- Written summaries of meetings.



7402 – PE4: MANAGEMENT ZONE STRATEGIES

MZ-1: Data Analyses, Reports, Meetings, and Administration

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$125,858
Other Direct Costs	\$364
Total	\$126,222

Rationale

Program Element 4 of the OBMP states that land subsidence and ground fissuring in MZ-1 are not acceptable and, to the extent that the cause is pumping, should be managed to tolerable levels. Watermaster conducts a ground-motion monitoring program to support Program Element 4 per the requirements of the Peace Agreement, the subsequently developed Court-approved MZ-1 Subsidence Management Plan (MZ-1 Plan) and its revisions (2015 Chino Basin Subsidence Management Plan), and the monitoring and mitigation requirements of the Peace II CEQA SEIR. The 2015 Chino Basin Subsidence Management Plan calls for the annual evaluation of data derived from the monitoring program and revisions to the Subsidence Management Plan and/or the monitoring program if necessary.

Scope of Work

West Yost shall perform the following tasks:

- Prepare the draft FY 2025/26 Annual Report for the Ground Level Monitoring Program (GLMP).
- Finalize the FY 2025/26 Annual Report for the GLMP based on comments received from the Ground Level Monitoring Committee (GLMC).
- Analyze all data collected during FY 2026/27 under the GLMP to support the preparation of the FY 2026/27 Annual Report for the GLMP. These data include groundwater levels, groundwater production, aquifer recharge, aquifer-system deformation, tectonic deformation, pumping test results, ground-level and GPS surveys, horizontal strain, and InSAR.
- Conduct meetings with the GLMC to review the data and analyses and develop a list of potential activities and cost estimates for FY 2027/28.

Deliverables

West Yost will deliver the following to Watermaster no later than the date or dates indicated:

- The FY 2025/26 Annual Report for the GLMP by November 2, 2026, featuring charts and maps of monitoring data, conclusions regarding the protective nature of the Subsidence Management Plan, the Watermaster-approved activities for the next fiscal year (FY 2026/27), and the revised Subsidence Management Plan, if revisions are necessary.
- Recommended scope of services and budget for the GLMP in FY 2027/28 by April 1, 2027, to support the Watermaster's budgeting process.



7402.1 – PE4: MANAGEMENT ZONE STRATEGIES

MZ-1: Develop a Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$107,696
Other Direct Costs	\$0
Total	\$107,696

Rationale

The MZ-1 Subsidence Management Plan (MZ-1 Plan) states that if data from existing monitoring efforts in the Areas of Subsidence Concern indicate the potential for adverse impacts due to subsidence, Watermaster will revise the MZ-1 Plan in an attempt to avoid adverse impacts. Land subsidence in Northwest MZ-1 was first identified as a concern in the MZ-1 Summary Report (2006) and in the MZ-1 Plan (2007). Since then, Watermaster has been monitoring subsidence in this area via InSAR, leveling surveys, and groundwater-levels with pressure transducers at selected wells. Of particular concern, subsidence in Northwest MZ-1 has occurred differentially across the San Jose Fault—the same spatial pattern of differential subsidence that occurred in the MZ1 Managed Area during the time of ground fissuring. Watermaster, consistent with input from the Ground Level Monitoring Committee (GLMC), determined that the MZ-1 Plan needs to be updated to include a *Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1* with the long-term objective of minimizing or abating the occurrence of the differential land subsidence.

Developing a Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1 is a multi-year effort. The GLMC oversees a work plan¹⁸ to execute this effort. The scope of work below describes the next year of the work plan.

Scope of Work

West Yost shall perform the following tasks to implement the work plan to develop a Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1:

- **Monitoring.** The established monitoring program of piezometric levels and pumping at wells in Northwest MZ-1 will continue through various techniques, including: (i) SCADA based monitoring by the Monte Vista Water District; (ii) monitoring of piezometric levels via sonar; (iii) monitoring of piezometric levels via pressure transducers at City of Pomona production wells; and (iv) manual measurements of piezometric levels. These data are collected under the Watermaster's groundwater-level monitoring program but are analyzed under this task. Charts and data graphics of pumping, piezometric levels, and aquifer system deformation will be updated every three months, which will improve the understanding of the hydrogeology in Northwest MZ-1, will be used to develop the Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1, and in the future, will be used to adapt the Chino Basin Subsidence Management Plan, as appropriate.

¹⁸ [CBWM. 2015. Workplan to Develop a Subsidence Management Plan for the Northwest MZ-1 Area.](#)



- **Refine and Evaluate Subsidence-Management Alternatives.** The 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation (2025 SYR) involves the development and evaluation of multiple projection scenarios of future hydrology, pumping, managed recharge, and use of managed storage in the Chino Basin. These projection scenarios are being simulated with an updated Chino Valley Model (CVM). The CVM results are being used to determine a tentative Safe Yield, which will be evaluated for MPI and then used to evaluate the current Safe Yield of the Chino Basin. The CVM results for piezometric levels (by CVM layer) will be used as input data for the 1D Model at PX to predict the potential for future subsidence associated with operating at the Safe Yield.

The results of the 1D model predictions of future subsidence can be used to inform “guidance criteria” for the Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1. If the potential future subsidence is deemed significant and undesirable, then the Watermaster Engineer may recommend that up to two (2) additional Subsidence-Management Alternatives (SMAs) be developed and evaluated with the CVM and 1D Model to test the effectiveness of the SMAs at abating future subsidence or minimizing it to tolerable levels. This work will be performed and completed in FY 2025/26.

In FY 2026/27, the Watermaster Engineer will run the CVM and PX 1D Model under the additional SMAs. The assumptions underlying the SMA(s), including groundwater production and replenishment/recharge plans of the Chino Basin parties, will be reviewed and discussed with the GLMC before any modeling is performed. Verbal and written feedback from the GLMC will be incorporated to finalize the SMA(s).

Then, the CVM and 1D Model will be used to evaluate the potential future subsidence in Northwest MZ-1 under the SMAs. Again, the objective of this task is to test the effectiveness of the SMAs at abating future subsidence or minimizing it to tolerable levels. The model results, interpretations, and recommendations will be documented in a draft TM and distributed to the GLMC. A GLMC meeting will be held to review the draft TM and receive GLMC feedback. The verbal and written feedback from the GLMC will be used to finalize the TM. The final TM could be used to finalize the Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1, and will be shared with all Watermaster Parties through the monthly Pool, Advisory Committee, and Board meetings.

Deliverables

West Yost shall deliver the following to Watermaster no later than the date or dates indicated:

- Draft and final technical memoranda on the CVM and 1D model results, interpretations, and recommendations under the SMAs.



7502 – PE6/7: COOPERATIVE EFFORTS/SALT MANAGEMENT

Engineering Services

	Cost Estimate ¹⁹
Consultant Labor	\$280,622
Other Direct	
Costs	\$1,700
Total	\$282,322

Rationale

In the Judgment, Watermaster is provided with discretionary powers to address water quality issues in the basin: “Watermaster, with the advice of the Advisory and Pool Committees, is granted discretionary powers in order to develop an optimum basin management program for Chino Basin, including both water quantity and quality considerations.” In the Implementation Plan of the Peace Agreement, Watermaster committed to certain responsibilities under Program Elements 6 and 7.

Program Element 6 - Develop and Implement Cooperative Programs with the Regional Board and Other Agencies to Improve Basin Management. Pursuant to Program Element 6, Watermaster has committed resources to managing water quality contaminants as follows:

- Identify water-quality anomalies through monitoring and analysis.
- Assisting the Santa Ana Water Board in determining sources of the water quality anomalies.
- Establishing priorities for clean-up jointly with the Regional Board; and seeking funding from outside sources to accelerate detection and cleanup efforts.
- Identifying opportunities to remove organic contaminants through regional groundwater treatment projects in the southern half of the Basin; and collaborating with the Chino Desalter Authority to implement such solutions.
- Conducting investigations to assist the Santa Ana Water Board in accomplishing mutually beneficial objectives.

Much of the work listed above was started by the Chino Basin Water Quality Committee (WQC) from 2003 through 2010. Since 2010, Watermaster has supported ongoing monitoring and analysis to ensure the efforts to manage water quality contamination under Program Element 6 are achieving the intended outcomes and identify any outcomes that may be of concern. This primarily involves analyzing water quality data to assess the movement of identified plumes in the Basin, but also includes as-needed work to support the Santa Ana Water Board or others in assessing groundwater quality conditions in and around the plumes.

Program Element 7 – Salt Management Program. Pursuant to Program Element 7, the Watermaster and IEUA have been implementing the Chino Basin maximum-benefit salt and nutrient management plan (Maximum Benefit SNMP) since 2004. Implementation of the Maximum Benefit SNMP is a regulatory requirement defined in the Santa Ana River Basin²⁰ (Basin Plan). The Maximum Benefit SNMP and the

¹⁹ This project includes a cost shared effort with IEUA. The shared cost of this total by IEUA is \$75,130.

²⁰http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/santaana/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/docs/chapter5.pdf



associated management commitments (Maximum Benefit Commitments) were developed to enable maximum beneficial use of recycled water in the Chino Basin. Watermaster and IEUA are required to implement the Maximum Benefit Commitments in accordance with the scheduled defined in Table 5-8a of the Basin Plan. If the Regional Board determines that Watermaster and IEUA are not being implementing the Maximum Benefit Commitments in accordance with Table 5-8a, then maximum benefit is not demonstrated, the Regional Board has the discretion to (1) impose the more stringent antidegradation objectives for Chino-1, Chino-2, and Chino-3 GMZs and (2) require Watermaster and IEUA to retroactively mitigate the use of recycled and imported waters with TDS concentrations that exceeded the antidegradation objectives for the GMZs since the adoption of the maximum benefit SNMP in 2004.

The Maximum Benefit Commitments include:

1. The implementation of a surface-water monitoring program.
2. The implementation of a groundwater monitoring program.
3. The expansion of the Chino-I Desalter to a capacity of 10 million gallons per day (mgd) and the construction of the Chino-II Desalter with a design capacity of 10 mgd.
4. The additional expansion of desalter capacity (to 40 mgd) pursuant to the OBMP and the Peace Agreement, the timing for which is tied to the IEUA's agency-wide effluent concentration)²¹
5. The completion of the groundwater recharge facilities included in the 2001 Watermaster Recharge Master Plan.
6. The management of recycled water quality to ensure that the IEUA agency-wide, 12-month volume-weighted running average effluent TDS concentration does not equal or exceed 550 mg/l and the TIN concentration does not equal or exceed 8 mg/l.
7. The management of basin-wide, volume-weighted TDS and nitrate concentrations in artificial recharge to less than or equal to the maximum-benefit objectives on a five-year volume-weighted basis.
8. The achievement and maintenance of the "hydraulic control" of groundwater outflow from the Chino Basin, specifically from the Chino-North GMZ, in order to protect Santa Ana River water quality and downstream beneficial uses.
9. The determination of ambient TDS and nitrate concentrations of Chino and Cucamonga GMZs every five years.

The majority of the ongoing work to comply with the Maximum Benefit Commitments is performed under other program elements, by IEUA, or CDA.

To demonstrate compliance, Watermaster prepares the Maximum Benefit Annual Report. The report describes the status of compliance with each of the Maximum Benefit Commitments defined in the Basin Plan. The annual report is due to the Regional Board by April 15th of each year.

²¹ The expansion to provide an additional 20 mgd of desalter pumping capacity was initially required to occur when the 12-month running average for the IEUA agency-wide effluent TDS concentration exceeded 545 mg/l for three consecutive months. The expansion has occurred even though this water quality condition has never been triggered and has instead been driven by the implementation of the Peace II Agreement and achieving hydraulic control.



As part of the Basin Plan amendment (see Task 7510 description below), Watermaster is required to: (1) update the monitoring work plan for the Maximum Benefit SNMP, (2) prepare a work plan to improve the Chino Basin Groundwater Quality Model, and (3) project basin-wide TDS and nitrate concentrations every five years. These requirements were identified during the technical work conducted in support of the Basin Plan amendment and are also mandated by the State Water Resources Control Board's 2019 Recycled Water Policy.

Watermaster has initiated efforts to develop the 2025 Maximum Benefit Monitoring Program Work Plan and the Chino Basin Water Quality Model Improvement Work Plan. Both work plans are scheduled to be drafted by June 30, 2025. The next projection of basin-wide TDS and nitrate concentrations for the Chino Basin is due to the Regional Board by December 2028.

During the FY 2026/27 period, Watermaster plans to finalize the 2025 Maximum Benefit Monitoring Program Work Plan and Chino Basin Water Quality Model Improvement Work Plan, continue to coordinate with the Regional Water and other agencies with the management of basin groundwater quality, prepare the Maximum Benefit Annual Report, continue to update the monitoring work plan, and provide other as-needed support on Maximum Benefit SNMP implementation or compliance. Additionally, to support the projection of basin-wide TDS and nitrate projection, Watermaster will also initiate the effort to update the groundwater quality model and collect data as recommended in the Chino Basin Water Quality Model Improvement Work Plan.

Scope of Work

For FY 2026/27, West Yost shall perform the following tasks:

- Consulting for Program Element 6 to continue efforts to track identified contaminant plumes in the Chino Basin.
 - South Archibald Plume and Chino Airport Plume. Subtasks include:
 - Prepare semi-annual plume status reports for the Watermaster Pools, Advisory Committee, and Board meetings.
 - Assist Watermaster with coordination and negotiation with the plume responsible parties and Santa Ana Water Board.
 - Provide technical oversight and review of plume investigation and remediation reports.
 - Prepare as-requested technical analyses, such as analyze groundwater-elevation and quality data, develop revised VOC plume maps, and/or perform groundwater model runs to demonstrate the capture of the plume by the desalter well fields.
 - Other point sources of concern. Other point sources of concern include but are not limited to, the General Electric Flatiron Facility, General Electric Test Cell Facility, Rialto-Colton perchlorate plume, the Alumax Recycling Facility, Kaiser Steel Mill, Milliken Landfill, and the Stringfellow site. Subtasks could include:
 - Provide technical oversight and review of investigations and remediation reports.
 - Prepare annual plume status report for the Watermaster Pools, Advisory Committee, and Board meetings.
 - Prepare as-requested technical analyses, such as analyze groundwater-elevation and quality data, review potential impacts to Chino Basin water quality, and/or develop revised plume delineations.



- Support for implementation of Program Element 7
 - Prepare the 2026 Maximum Benefit Annual Report. This includes:
 - Analyze and interpret the data and compare with metrics. All data required for reporting in the 2026 Maximum Benefit Annual Report shall be analyzed by West Yost and used to support the demonstration of compliance with the Maximum Benefit Commitments.
 - Reporting. West Yost shall prepare a draft 2026 Maximum Benefit Annual Report. This report will be submitted to Watermaster and the IEUA for review. Comments will be incorporated, and West Yost shall prepare the final 2026 Maximum Benefit Annual Report for submittal to the Santa Ana Water Board. West Yost will respond to comments from the Santa Ana Water Board and other stakeholders, as necessary.
 - Ad-hoc meetings. Prepare for and attend meetings with Watermaster, IEUA, and/or Santa Ana Water Board staff, as requested, to present the draft and final 2026 Maximum Benefit Annual Reports.
 - Finalize the 2025 Maximum Benefit Monitoring Program Work Plan, which includes:
 - Update the draft work plan based on comments by Watermaster and IEUA and submit the updated work plan to the Santa Ana Water Board.
 - Coordinate and address comments by the Santa Ana Water Board, if any.
 - Finalize the Chino Basin Groundwater Quality Model Improvement Work Plan and initiate efforts to support the basin-wide TDS and nitrate projection²², which includes:
 - Update the draft work plan based on comments by Watermaster and IEUA and submit the updated work plan to the Santa Ana Water Board
 - Coordinate and address comments by the Santa Ana Water Board, if any.
 - Perform model updates, collect planning data, and implement other efforts to support the basin-wide projection.
 - As-needed support for implementation of PE-6 and PE-7:
 - Prepare as-requested technical analyses
 - Prepare for and attend as-requested meetings with the Santa Ana Water Board and others

Deliverables

West Yost will deliver the following to Watermaster:

- Semi-annual status reports for the Archibald and Chino Airport plumes in October 2026 and April 2027.
- Annual status reports for the remaining identified plumes in October 2026.
- Draft and final 2026 Maximum Benefit Annual Report by April 2026.
- Updated 2025 Maximum Benefit Monitoring Program Work by August 2026.
- Updated Chino Basin Groundwater Quality Model Improvement Work Plan by December 2026.
- Other as-needed deliverables.

²² This effort is cost shared with IEUA. The cost of IEUA share for this effort is \$75,130.



7510 – PE6/7: COOPERATIVE EFFORTS/SALT MANAGEMENT

Update IEUA's Recycled Water Permits/Maximum Benefit Salinity Management Plan – IEUA Cost Share

	Cost Estimate ²³
Consultant Labor	\$15,525
Other Direct Costs	\$3,600
Total	\$19,125

Rationale

In 2004, the Santa Ana Water Board amended the Basin Plan to incorporate the Maximum Benefit SNMP for the Chino Basin to incorporate numerically higher, maximum-benefit-based TDS and nitrate objectives for the Chino-North groundwater management zone. The maximum benefit objectives created assimilative capacity and enables the cost-efficient, maximum reuse of recycled water for irrigation and recharge. The SNMP includes nine Maximum Benefit Commitments that Watermaster and IEUA must implement to obtain continued access to assimilative capacity.

The Chino Basin Maximum Benefit SNMP and related permits establish TDS and total inorganic nitrogen (TIN) limits for discharge and reuse of IEUA's recycled water within the Chino Basin. The respective limits for TDS and TIN are 550 mg/l and 8 mg/l. Compliance is measured as the 12-month, flow-weighted running average concentration of the IEUA agency-wide effluent. Pursuant to Maximum Benefit Commitment No. 6, Watermaster and IEUA are required to prepare and implement a plan and schedule to improve effluent water quality and achieve compliance with the effluent compliance metrics when the 12-month flow-weighted running average TDS or TIN equals or exceeds the action limits of 545 mg/l TDS for three consecutive months or 8 mg/l TIN for any one month.

In 2015, the 12-month running average TDS concentration of the IEUA recycled water reached a historical high of 534 mg/l, which was only 11 mg/l below the action limit, for three consecutive months. Although the TDS concentration declined before exceeding the action limit, it was an important indicator that the TDS concentration of recycled water is likely to approach or exceed the limit and trigger the planning for recycled water quality improvements during the next prolonged dry period. Given the potential cost of implementing recycled water quality improvements for what might only be short-term exceedances of the action limit based on the 12-month flow-weighted running average, the IEUA and Watermaster petitioned the Santa Ana Water Board to modify the recycled water permits and the Basin Plan to allow for a longer-term averaging period for determining compliance with the TDS limit.

To obtain approval from the Santa Ana Water Board for the Basin Plan modifications, and any associated permit modifications, the IEUA and Watermaster began a detailed evaluation of the TDS and nitrate concentration impacts to Chino Basin by developing the 2020 Chino Basin Water Quality Model. The technical work was completed in December 2021, and the results were used to develop a proposed regulatory compliance plan. The Regulatory Compliance Proposal was submitted to the Santa Ana Water Board in March 2022. The Santa Ana Water Board approved the Regulatory Compliance Proposal in July 2022 and requested that Watermaster and IEUA coordinate with Jurupa Community Services District (JCSD), which had also completed a regulatory compliance proposal in 2022 that would require amendments to the Chino Basin Maximum Benefit SNMP in the Basin Plan. The extra costs to combine the Basin Plan efforts into one amendment are being covered directly by the JCSD.

²³ This project includes 50% cost shared with IEUA.



Since approval of the Regulatory Compliance Proposal in 2022, Watermaster and IEUA have worked with Santa Ana Water Board staff to prepare documents supporting the Basin Plan amendment. Watermaster and IEUA have developed the required amendment materials, including the Staff Report, Substitute Environmental Document (SED), Economic Analysis, Resolution, peer view package and responses to peer review comments. These draft documents are currently pending review by the Santa Ana Water Board staff. Due to evolving Basin Plan amendment requirements and limited staff availability, the Santa Ana Water Board's review period is ongoing and has been extended, resulting in corresponding delays to the overall Basin Plan amendment schedule.

Following completion of the Santa Ana Water Board's review, the remaining tasks will include finalizing the amendment documents, ensuring compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and providing as-needed support to the Santa Ana Water Board staff to advance the amendment through the adoption process.

Regional Board adoption of the Basin Plan amendment is anticipated in June 2026. After Santa Ana Water Board adoption, additional support will be required to assist with State Water Resources Control Board adoption and Office of Administrative Law (OAL) approval, which are anticipated by January 2027.

Scope of Work

West Yost shall perform the following tasks in FY 2026/27. While some of these efforts may be completed in the current fiscal year, the tasks listed below represent the full scope of work required if the Regional Board adoption schedule is delayed to after June 2026:

- Finalize Staff Report, SED, Economic Analysis, Resolution, and responses to peer review comments based on input from the Santa Ana Water Board staff.
- Ensure that all Basin Plan amendment documents comply with the ADA, including selecting and coordinating with an ADA subconsultant.
- Prepare draft PowerPoint presentation for Santa Ana Water Board staff to present the Basin Plan amendment for Santa Ana Water Board adoption.
- Support development of the Administrative Record.
- Regular coordination with Santa Ana Water Board staff to keep the process moving forward.
- Perform monthly project management activities, including participating in progress status calls with Watermaster and IEUA staff.

Deliverables

The FY 2026/27 deliverables for this work include:

- Final Basin Plan amendment support documents, including the SED, Staff Report, Economic Analysis, and other supporting documentation. Including, ADA compliant Basin Plan amendment documents.
- PowerPoint presentations and handout materials for any project team, Santa Ana Water Board, and stakeholder meetings.



7511 – PE6/7: COOPERATIVE EFFORTS/SALT MANAGEMENT

As-needed services to support Watermaster in its participation in Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority Task Force

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$33,010
Other Direct Costs	\$580
Total	\$33,590

Rationale

The Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority (SAWPA) administers various multi-stakeholder efforts to monitor and analyze water quality in the Santa Ana River Watershed in collaboration with Regional Board. Two of the task forces that generate information relevant to Chino Basin OBMP efforts under Program Element 6 and Program Element 7 are the Basin Monitoring Program Task Force (BMPTF) and the Emerging Constituents Task Force (ECTF). The BMPTF is focused on compliance with watershed-wide the salt and nutrient plan defined in the Basin Plan, such as computing ambient water quality and performing the Wasteload Allocation analysis. These activities have the potential to impact recycled water use permitting. The ECTF focuses on the investigation of emerging constituents, tracking regulations, and implementing collaborative approaches to compliance and water quality protection. IEUA and Watermaster are members of these Task Forces.

Some of the key activities performed by the Task Forces include:

- Collection and compilation of data used to support the management of water quality in the Santa Ana River Watershed.
- Preparation of the Annual Report of Santa Ana River water quality.
- Preparation of the Annual EC Sampling Report.
- Periodic recomputation of ambient water quality for the Santa Ana River Watershed groundwater management zones (GMZs).
- Periodic review and evaluation of the wasteload allocation for recycled water discharges to the Santa Ana River and its tributaries.
- Periodic assessment of monitoring gaps in the Watershed.
- Periodic assessment and/or review of proposed changes to the Basin Plan SNMP.
- Monthly Task Force meetings.

SAWPA contracts with technical and policy consultants to support the BMPTF and ECTF to implement various studies and activities. The technical and policy work is reviewed at monthly Task Force meetings. The outcomes of the work performed by the Task Forces have direct implications for the planning activities of the Watermaster and IEUA parties.



During FY 2026/27, the BMPTF will be performing the following activities:

- Periodic (monthly to quarterly) meetings to review and discuss current and future Basin Plan SNMP implementation activities.
- Implement groundwater and surface water monitoring plans.
- Develop tools in support of performing annual data collection.
- Collect and review 2022 through 2026 groundwater data.
- Update storage models for selected groundwater management zones.
- Other as-needed work to support the Task Force's mission and objectives.

During FY 2026/27, the ECTF will be performing the following activities:

- Quarterly meetings to review and discuss current and future Basin Plan SNMP implementation activities.
- Implementation of EC monitoring program.
- Advancing discussions on PFAS regulations, and other emerging contaminant regulations.

Scope of Work

West Yost will perform as-requested services to support the Watermaster and IEUA's participation in the Task Force activities. The budget anticipates the following as-requested services for FY 2026/27:

- Attendance at up to 12 monthly Task Force meetings.
- Preparation of Task Force meeting summaries for information relevant to Watermaster.
- Review and comment on interim and final project deliverables prepared by the Task Forces or its consultants.
- Attendance at as-needed meetings with Watermaster and IEUA staff to discuss Task Force draft project deliverables.
- As-needed coordination with Watermaster and IEUA staff on Task Force activities that arise during the year.

Deliverables

The FY 2026/27 deliverables for this work could include:

- Task Force meeting summaries.
- Draft and final review comments on interim and final deliverables prepared by the Task Force or its consultants.
- Other as-requested deliverables defined by Watermaster.



7517 – PE6/7: COOPERATIVE EFFORTS/SALT MANAGEMENT

Implement Chino Creek Monitoring Program – IEUA Cost Share

	Cost Estimate ²⁴
Consultant Labor	\$64,423
Other Direct Costs	\$3,540
Total	\$67,963

Rationale

Pursuant to the Federal Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 303(d) and 305(b), the Regional Board is required to periodically assess the water quality of the surface water bodies in the Santa Ana Watershed and publish a list of surface waters that do not meet the water quality standards for beneficial uses and objectives defined in the Basin Plan. The current assessment and listing determinations for the Santa Ana Watershed are included in the 2024 California Integrated Report (2024 Integrated Report).

The Final 2024 Integrated Report concluded that there is insufficient data to determine water quality conditions within reach 1B of Chino Creek (Chino Creek 1B). Specifically, there is insufficient data to determine if water quality is consistent with Basin Plan objectives, which was established to support beneficial uses, but the limited data indicates that beneficial uses may be potentially threatened (305[b] Category 3). Without more data, Chino Creek 1B could be listed as impaired in future Integrated Reports, which will require an extensive, multi-stakeholder effort to develop and implement a Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL) program and could impact recycled water permits and uses in the Chino Basin. The Regional Board expressed that more data is needed to assess water quality conditions compared to objectives in future Integrated Reports. Recognizing the TMDL impact on IEUA and Watermaster's recycled water activities, the Regional Board requested Watermaster and IEUA to develop a surface water monitoring program to characterize conditions along Chino Creek (Chino Creek Monitoring Program).

During FY 2022/23, Watermaster and IEUA collaborated with Regional Board staff to develop the Chino Creek Monitoring Program Work Plan and the Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) that will satisfy the requirements of the California Clean Water Act Section 303 (d) List (Listing Policy) for Chino Creek. The QAPP and the work plan were submitted to the Regional Board in July 2024. The Chino Creek Monitoring Program includes: monthly surface water quality monitoring, annual data review and upload to California Environmental Data Exchange Network (CEDEN), and in-depth assessment of monitoring data and evaluation if ongoing monitoring is needed following the completion of 3-year monitoring period. Watermaster and IEUA have been implementing the work plan since August 2024. Watermaster and IEUA will continue to implement the work plan in FY 2026/27 to complete the 3-year of monitoring period. In-depth data analysis will be performed in FY 2027/28.

Scope of Work

In FY 2026/27, West Yost will perform the following tasks in accordance with the Chino Creek Monitoring Program Workplan:

- Perform 12 monthly surface water sampling events at the recommended surface water sites.
- Coordinate with the IEUA operation and laboratory teams on sampling.

²⁴ This project includes 50% cost shared with IEUA.



- Perform quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) check, compile, and process laboratory results into centralized project database.
- Review data and prepare figures to characterize surface water conditions.
- Upload surface water quality data to CEDEN annually.
- Conduct as-needed meetings with Watermaster, IEUA, Basin Monitoring Program Task Force, and the Regional Board on project status and sampling results.

Deliverables

- Figures and text characterizing surface water quality conditions.

Cost Estimate for FY 2027/28

- The Class 3 cost estimate²⁵ to continue this work over FY 2027/28 is about \$60,000.

²⁵ Class 3 cost estimates have an expected accuracy of between -20% and +30% of the actual costs.



7520 – PE6/7: COOPERATIVE EFFORTS/SALT MANAGEMENT

Water Quality Management Program

	Cost Estimate ²⁶
Consultant Labor	\$39,000
Other Direct Costs	\$250
Total	\$39,250

Rationale

As part of the 2020 OBMPU, the stakeholders identified several management activities necessary to achieve the goals of the 2020 OBMPU. Two of the 2020 OBMPU activities address groundwater quality:

- Develop and implement a water-quality management plan to address current and future water quality issues and protect beneficial uses.”
- Develop strategic regulatory-compliance solutions that achieve multiple benefits in managing water quality.

The specific action defined to encapsulate these activities within the 2020 OBMPU was the development of a Water Quality Management Plan that addresses emerging contaminants to better prepare the parties for addressing compliance with new State and Federal drinking water regulations and provides for the long-term maximum beneficial use of the basin. It was identified that reconvening the Watermaster’s Water Quality Committee (WQC) would be the ideal approach to guide the development and implementation of such a management plan to guide the activities over the next several years.

In FY 2023/24 Watermaster reconvened the WQC and conducted three meetings. The first meeting was to educate participants on historical water quality activities performed by Watermaster pursuant to the 2000 OBMP, review the successes of the WQC’s past work, and obtain feedback from the stakeholders on the opportunity and proposed scope and objectives for developing a water quality management plan, including development of an Emerging Contaminants Monitoring Plan (ECMP). The other two WQC meetings were to develop the ECMP and obtain stakeholder feedback and review its methods.

Based on feedback received through the WQC, the concept of a water quality management plan was re-envisioned into a simpler, more adaptable Water Quality Management Program (WQMP) led by the WQC, following the approach used from 2003 to 2010 under Program Element 6 of the 2000 OBMP. As re-envisioned, the WQMP is an ongoing process where the focus of the work performed each year will be defined/refined based on stakeholder input received through the WQC. Under the WQMP, the WQC would meet up to address some or all the following objectives:

- Informing stakeholders on the available data and information on water quality in the Chino Basin
- Regularly educating and sharing information on potential future water quality regulations
- Implementing an ECMP to monitor and characterize contaminant occurrence in the Chino Basin where data is not available to assess potential impacts of regulations

²⁶ The \$39,250 will be funded entirely with carryover from FY 2025/26.



- Tracking available grant funding and loan opportunities to advance water quality programs and projects
- Identifying opportunities for multi-agency and/or multi-benefit projects
- Enhancing the ability to characterize potential impacts to the Chino Basin as a result of Parties' operational/management responses to water quality regulations (e.g., impacts to Safe Yield or recycled water recharge program)
- Conducting other activities of interest to the stakeholders to address water quality management or concerns.

In FY 2024/25, West Yost assisted Watermaster staff in coordinating and implementing the sampling for the ECMP. This involved Watermaster conducting sampling for a list of emerging contaminants during routine sampling at monitoring wells, and additional voluntary sampling by the Appropriators for some emerging contaminants. There were no WQC meetings in FY 2024/25 and FY 2025/26. The Watermaster may conduct two WQC meetings in FY 2026/27.

Scope of Work

For FY 2026/27, West Yost will support Watermaster Staff in implementing the WQMP by supporting the WQC process. The work will include:

- Prepare for and conduct up to two meetings of the WQC, including preparing supporting materials, such as agendas, handouts, meeting summaries, etc. The specific meeting topics will be identified by the Watermaster according to the parties' needs.

Deliverables

- Meeting agendas, handouts, presentations, and meeting summaries for the WQC meetings
- Maps characterizing the extent of emerging contaminants in the Basin



7614 – PE8/9: STORAGE MANAGEMENT/CONJUNCTIVE USE

Support Implementation of the Safe Yield Court Order

	Task 1	Task 2	Total
Consultant Labor	\$118,679	\$102,548	\$221,227
Other Direct Costs	\$15,312	\$200	\$15,512
Total	\$133,991	\$102,748	\$236,739

Rationale

The Safe Yield of the Chino Basin was recalculated in May 2020 pursuant to the methodology approved by the Court on April 28, 2017. The Court adopted a Safe Yield of 131,000 acre-feet per year for the period of fiscal year 2020/21 through 2029/30. The Court-approved methodology was outlined in a Court Order from April 28, 2017 (2017 Court Order). The Court Order also included requirements for (1) annual data collection and evaluation, (2) a reevaluation of the current Safe Yield by June 30, 2025 (the 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation, or 2025 SYR), and (3) peer review to support these efforts.

West Yost began the work to implement the 2017 Court Order in fiscal year 2021/22.²⁷ This work included updating the Safe Yield Reset methodology, developing annual data collection and evaluation reports covering the periods through FY 2024/25, and completing the 2025 SYR.

Scope of Work

The work required in FY 2025/26 will include the annual data collection and evaluation, supporting the implementation of the 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation, and facilitating the associated peer review. This scope is broken down into the following tasks:

- **Task 1 – Annual data collection and evaluation.** Pursuant to pages 16 and 17 of the Court Order, Task 1 includes collecting data from the parties and other sources and analyzing the data in the context of West Yost’s groundwater modeling. Data collection will begin in July 2026 for fiscal year 2025/26. The scope of Task 1 assumes the following:
 - Existing data collection efforts (e.g., groundwater pumping measurements) will be collected via other Watermaster efforts and are not included in this scope.
 - Annual land use surveying will be completed by Land IQ, the subcontractor that has been preparing annual land use surveys in the Chino Basin for the past several years to support the annual data collection and agricultural production estimation.
 - West Yost will review the 2025 Urban Water Management Plans (UWMPs) for the major Appropriative Pool Parties and wholesale agencies and conduct outreach with these agencies to interpret projected water demands. This information will be used to develop revised projections of water use patterns for comparison with the 2025 SYR projection scenarios.
 - West Yost will develop exhibits to compare the collected data to previous historical and modeling data as necessary to document the data collection in an annual report and present the data to the peer review committee.

²⁷ All deliverables for the implementation of the 2017 Court Order can be found on Watermaster’s website here: [Chino Basin Watermaster - 2017 Safe Yield Court Order Implementation](#)



- West Yost will prepare a draft and final data collection report. The draft report will be reviewed with the Peer Review committee, comments will be incorporated, and the final report will be submitted to the Court no later than June 30, 2027.
- **Task 2 – Support Implementation of the 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation.** Following the submittal of the 2025 SYR Report, Watermaster will require support to implement any of the findings of the 2025 SYR and respond to requests from the parties. The scope is anticipated to include:
 - Support for Court motions that may result from the 2025 SYR, including additional documentation (e.g., Court declarations) or Court appearances.
 - Additional simulations of the groundwater model or additional analysis of groundwater model results to respond to party or Watermaster staff requests.
 - Preparation of exhibits, presentation materials, and support to conduct workshops.

The specific scope of any support for implementation of the 2025 SYR will be defined and agreed upon with Watermaster staff prior to the execution of the scope.

Deliverables

West Yost's primary deliverables will be the following draft technical memoranda/reports:

- A draft and final report documenting the data collection process and the data collected through FY 2025/26.
- West Yost will prepare other deliverables as needed to support the technical workshops and meetings in Tasks 1 and 2.



7615 – PE8/9: STORAGE MANAGEMENT/CONJUNCTIVE USE

Develop 2027 Storage Management Plan

	Cost Estimate
Consultant Labor	\$165,880
Other Direct Costs	\$200
Total	\$166,080

Rationale

The 1978 Judgment established a Watermaster to administer the decree under the Court's continuing jurisdiction and empowered it to manage and control the Basin's available storage capacity and to enter into agreements for the storage of water. As a prerequisite to implementing the Optimum Basin Management Program (OBMP), the Parties executed the Peace Agreement, providing direction and guidance to Watermaster on how storage should be prioritized and managed. The OBMP addresses the management of groundwater pumping, recharge, storage and recovery, and the transfer of water.

The original OBMP included plans for storage management and conjunctive-use activities, including groundwater pumping, recharge, storage and recovery, and the transfer of water. As part of the 2020 OBMP Update (2020 OBMPU), Watermaster reviewed and refined the original storage management planning work and developed the 2020 Storage Management Plan (SMP). The 2020 SMP describes the existing and projected uses of storage by the Parties, agencies engaged in Storage and Recovery Programs, the need for recharge capacity to satisfy replenishment obligations, the Parties' storage management activities, guidance for Storage and Recovery Programs, and the storage agreement application process.

The SMP is required to be reviewed and updated (1) at least every five years, (2) when the Safe Yield is recalculated, or (3) when Watermaster determines that a review is warranted based on new information or the needs of the Parties or the Basin. Because the 2020 SMP was completed in October 2020, it was originally scheduled for update in 2025. However, the delay in the Safe Yield Reevaluation, the results of which inform the SMP, has shifted the initiation of the SMP update to FY 2025/26, with completion anticipated in FY 2026/27.

In parallel with the SMP update, the 2020 OBMPU identified several management activities necessary to achieve the goals of the OBMPU. Activity B under Program Element 9 is to develop, implement, and optimize Storage and Recovery Programs to increase water supply reliability, protect or enhance Safe Yield, and improve water quality. Exhibit 7 of the 2020 OBMPU outlined a multi-year process for advancing this activity:

1. Convene the Storage and Recovery Program Committee (Committee), define objectives, and refine scope of work.
2. Develop conceptual alternatives for Storage and Recovery Programs at various scales.
3. Describe and evaluate reconnaissance-level facility plans and costs for Storage and Recovery Program alternatives.
4. Prepare a *Storage and Recovery Master Framework (SRMF)*.

Watermaster staff initiated Step 1 in FY 2023/24 by convening the Committee and conducting a kickoff meeting to discuss objectives and potential program concepts. This effort was paused in FY 2024/25 to allow the completion of the 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation.

The SMP update provides an opportunity to reintegrate and advance the SRMF effort, ensuring that the updated storage management policies, projected storage demands, and future Storage and Recovery Programs are evaluated within a consistent planning framework.

Scope of Work

The work in FY 2026/27 will continue development of the updated SMP using the latest planning information, technical understanding, and policy guidance regarding the use and management of storage in the Basin, including the results of the 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation.

The SMP update will include stakeholder engagement and technical evaluation to assess current and projected storage use, recharge capacity needs, and storage management policies. This effort will include three workshops with the Parties to:

- Review the regulatory and technical requirements of the SMP update.
- Present and discuss updated storage projections and planning assumptions.
- Review the draft SMP and gather feedback from the Parties.

Consistent with the objectives of the 2020 OBMPU Activity B, the SMP update will also incorporate planning activities related to the development of the Storage and Recovery Master Framework (SRMF). The SRMF will provide a strategic planning framework for evaluating future Storage and Recovery Programs, including potential program concepts, infrastructure needs, operational considerations, and implementation pathways.

As part of this effort, West Yost will work with Watermaster staff and the Parties to define the next phase of work for the SRMF. This will include:

- Preparing and conducting one Storage and Recovery Program Committee meeting to review the outcomes and conclusions of the 2023 Committee kickoff meeting.
- Confirming objectives and priorities for advancing the SRMF.
- Developing a detailed scope of work and budget for Steps 2 through 4 of the SRMF process, including development of program alternatives, evaluation of reconnaissance-level facility concepts and costs, and preparation of the SRMF.

The resulting scope and budget for the SRMF will be presented through the Watermaster process for review and approval and will guide future work to support the implementation of Storage and Recovery Programs consistent with the updated SMP.

Deliverables

West Yost's deliverables will include a draft and final version of the SMP, as well as presentation materials to support the workshops.

Table 1: Cost Estimates for Watermaster Engineering Services -- FY 2026/27

Watermaster		Notes	Task	Other Direct Costs			Expected Total Carryover from 2025/26	Total Engineering Cost Estimate 2026/27	IEUA Cost Share & IEUA Carryover from 2025/26	Watermaster Engineering Cost Estimate 2026/27	Expected Watermaster Carryover from 2025/26	Proposed Watermaster Budget for Engineering Services 2026/27			
				Total Labor		Total ODCs									
				Person Days	Cost							Task	Project	Account	
Task	Project	Account													
General Optimum Basin Management Program/Judgment Administration						\$768,914	\$4,596	\$0	\$773,510	\$0	\$773,510	\$0	\$773,510		
General E 6906 OBMP Engineering						\$768,914	\$4,596	\$0	\$773,510	\$0	\$773,510	\$0	\$773,510		
8306, 8506, 8406, 6206, 6306	General	f	Pool, Advisory, Watermaster Meetings	44.0	\$114,448	\$2,387			\$116,835		\$116,835		\$116,835		
5901.8, 6901.8	General	f	Other General Meetings as Requested	30.0	\$78,416	\$1,909			\$80,325		\$80,325		\$80,325		
5935	General	abcC	Material Physical Injury Requests	16.0	\$36,096				\$36,096		\$36,096		\$36,096		
5906.71	General	f	Miscellaneous Data Requests - GM/Watermaster Staff	50.0	\$112,352	\$300			\$112,652		\$112,652		\$112,652		
5906.72	General	f	Miscellaneous Data Requests - Non CBWM Staff/RFI	25.3	\$58,316				\$58,316		\$58,316		\$58,316		
6901.95	General	e	SGMA Reporting Requirement for WC Section 10720.8 (f)	11.8	\$24,858				\$24,858		\$24,858		\$24,858		
6906	General	f	Project Management	29.3	\$67,966				\$67,966		\$67,966		\$67,966		
6906.1	General	bdC	Watermaster Model Application and Required Demonstrations	41.5	\$88,388				\$88,388		\$88,388		\$88,388		
5945	General	ej	Assist Watermaster in Preparing the 49th Annual Report	8.0	\$18,334				\$18,334		\$18,334		\$18,334		
6906.21	General		2026 State of the Basin Report	84.3	\$169,740				\$169,740		\$169,740		\$169,740		
Program Element 1: Comprehensive Monitoring Program						\$893,192	\$186,821	\$0	\$1,080,013	\$83,301	\$996,713	\$0	\$996,713		
7502 and 7505 Groundwater and Surface Water Quality Monitoring						\$222,534	\$51,500	\$0	\$274,034	\$0	\$274,034	\$0	\$274,034		
7502	PE1/GWQMP	abcd	GWQMP: KEY	5.3	\$11,398				\$11,398		\$11,398		\$11,398		
7502	PE1/GWQMP	abcd	GWQMP: FIELD-as needed field support	14.5	\$22,230	\$2,580			\$24,810		\$24,810		\$24,810		
7505	PE1/GWQMP	abcd	GWQMP: LAB	0.0		\$21,400			\$21,400		\$21,400		\$21,400		
7502	PE1/GWQMP	abcd	GWQMP: DB-Field-Lab	7.0	\$12,528				\$12,528		\$12,528		\$12,528		
7502	PE1/GWQMP	abcd	GWQMP: DB-CBDC	67.0	\$119,848				\$119,848		\$119,848		\$119,848		
7502	PE1/HCMP	Ccd	HCMP: GWQ/SWQ - SARWC/NAWQA/SAR	17.5	\$27,752	\$3,440			\$31,192		\$31,192		\$31,192		
7505	PE1/HCMP	Ccd	HCMP: GWQ/SWQ - SARWC/NAWQA/SAR - LAB	0.0		\$8,200			\$8,200		\$8,200		\$8,200		
7502	PE1/HCMP	Ccd	HCMP: GWQ HCMP MWs	14.5	\$22,538	\$3,180			\$25,718		\$25,718		\$25,718		
7505	PE1/HCMP	Ccd	HCMP: GWQ HCMP MWs - LAB	0.0		\$12,500			\$12,500		\$12,500		\$12,500		
7502	PE1/RWGRP	ce	PBHSP: SWQMP	3.3	\$6,240	\$200			\$6,440		\$6,440		\$6,440		
7104.3 Groundwater Level Monitoring Program						\$299,364	\$60,185	\$0	\$359,549	\$0	\$359,549	\$0	\$359,549		
7104.3	PE1/GWLMP	abcd	GWLMP: HCMP/GWR/MZ1/MZ3/MWL: SCHED	3.3	\$7,032				\$7,032		\$7,032		\$7,032		
7104.3	PE1/GWLMP	abcd	GWLMP: KEY	3.0	\$5,748				\$5,748		\$5,748		\$5,748		
7104.3	PE1/GWLMP	abcd	GWLMP: HCMP/GWR/MZ1/MZ3/MWL: FIELD	42.0	\$62,382	\$5,300			\$67,682		\$67,682		\$67,682		
7104.3	PE1/GWLMP	abcd	GWLMP: HCMP/GWR/MZ1/MZ3/MWL: DB-WL	40.5	\$70,356				\$70,356		\$70,356		\$70,356		
7104.3	PE1/GWLMP	abcd	GWLMP: DB-CBDC	42.5	\$73,564				\$73,564		\$73,564		\$73,564		
7104.3	PE1/GWLMP	e	CASGEM Reporting	5.1	\$8,736				\$8,736		\$8,736		\$8,736		
7104.8	PE1/GWLMP	abcd	GWLMP: Contract Services	5.5	\$9,168	\$32,000			\$41,168		\$41,168		\$41,168		
7104.9	PE1/GWLMP	abcd	GWLMP: Capital Equipment (Transducers)			\$19,000			\$19,000		\$19,000		\$19,000		
7104.3	PE4/MZ-1	abC	GWLMP: Northwest MZ-1 Area: GWLMP	16.0	\$26,560	\$2,685			\$29,245		\$29,245		\$29,245		
7104.3	PE1/RWGRP	ce	GWLMP: PBHSP	20.8	\$35,818	\$1,200			\$37,018		\$37,018		\$37,018		
7402 MZ-1 Ground Level Monitoring Program						\$166,718	\$61,396	\$0	\$228,114	\$0	\$228,114	\$0	\$228,114		
Subtask 1 - Setup and Maintenance of the Monitoring Network								\$0	\$54,622	\$0	\$54,622	\$0			
7402	PE1/GLMP	abC	MZ1-GLMP: Setup and Maintenance of Monitoring Network	21	\$32,010	\$2,890			\$34,900		\$34,900		\$34,900		
7408	PE1/GLMP	abC	MZ1-GLMP: Setup and Maintenance of Monitoring Network - Equipment	6.0	\$11,696	\$8,026			\$19,722		\$19,722		\$19,722		
Subtask 2 - MZ-1: Aquifer-System Monitoring and Testing								\$0	\$37,296	\$0	\$37,296	\$0			
7402	PE1/GLMP	abC	MZ1-GLMP: Aquifer System Monitoring and Testing	22.0	\$35,556	\$1,740			\$37,296		\$37,296		\$37,296		
Subtask 3 - Basin-Wide: InSAR								\$0	\$90,904	\$0	\$90,904	\$0			
7402	PE1/GLMP	abC	BW-GLMP: InSAR	30.0	\$73,304				\$73,304		\$73,304		\$73,304		
7403	PE1/GLMP	abC	BW-GLMP: InSAR - Outside Pro			\$17,600			\$17,600		\$17,600		\$17,600		
Subtask 4 - Ground-Level Surveys								\$0	\$45,292	\$0	\$45,292	\$0			
7402	PE1/GLMP	abC	MZ1-GLMP: Ground Level Surveys	7.5	\$14,152				\$14,152		\$14,152		\$14,152		
7406	PE1/GLMP	abC	MZ1-GLMP: Ground Level Surveys - Outside Pro			\$31,140			\$31,140		\$31,140		\$31,140		
7302 Prado Basin Habitat Monitoring, Data Analysis and Reporting - 50% IEUA Cost Share						\$152,861	\$13,740	\$0	\$166,601	\$83,301	\$83,301	\$0	\$83,301		
7302	PE1/RWGRP	ce	PBHSP - Vegetation Monitoring Program	13.3	\$28,042				\$28,042	\$14,021	\$14,021		\$14,021		
7306	PE1/RWGRP	ce	PBHSP - Vegetation Monitoring Program - Outside Pro			\$13,500			\$13,500	\$6,750	\$6,750		\$6,750		
7302	PE1/RWGRP	ce	PBHSP - Climate Monitoring Program	1.6	\$3,999				\$3,999	\$2,000	\$2,000		\$2,000		
7302	PE1/RWGRP	ce	PBHSP - Prepare Annual Report	46.3	\$95,706	\$120			\$95,826	\$47,913	\$47,913		\$47,913		
7302	PE1/RWGRP	ce	PBHSP - Meetings and Project Administration	10.5	\$25,114	\$120			\$25,234	\$12,617	\$12,617		\$12,617		
7202 Recharge and Well Monitoring Program: Pursuant to the Groundwater Recharge Permit and Maximum Benefit						\$24,090	\$0	\$0	\$24,090	\$0	\$24,090	\$0	\$24,090		
7202	PE1/RWGRP	e	RWGRP: Review Documents for Chino Basin Recycled Water GW Recharge Program	10.3	\$24,090				\$24,090		\$24,090		\$24,090		

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				Total Labor			Total ODCs								Task	Project	Account
Account	Group			Person Days	Cost			Task	Project	Account							
					Task	Project	Account										
5965 Support for Implementation of Improved Data Collection and Management Process				14.5	\$27,626	\$0			\$0	\$27,626	\$0	\$27,626	\$0	\$27,626			
5965	General	f	Support for Improved Data Collection and Visualization Tools	14.5	\$27,626					\$27,626		\$27,626		\$27,626			
7200 Program Element 2: Comprehensive Recharge Program					\$557,888	\$1,114			\$0	\$559,002	\$0	\$559,002	\$0	\$559,002			
7202 Engineering Services					\$557,888	\$1,114			\$0	\$559,002	\$0	\$559,002	\$0	\$559,002			
6901.95	PE2		SWRCB and CDFW Water Rights Reporting	19.5	\$42,452	\$636				\$42,452		\$42,452		\$42,452		\$42,452	
7202.2	PE2	abcdC	RIPComm & GRCC Meetings & As-Requested Analyses	32.5	\$73,528					\$74,164		\$74,164		\$74,164			
7202.2	PE2	abcdC	2013 & 2023 RMPU Implementation	44.5	\$103,076					\$103,076		\$103,076		\$103,076			
7202.2	PE2	abcdC	2028 Recharge Master Plan Update	153.0	\$338,832	\$477				\$339,309		\$339,309		\$339,309		\$339,309	
7300 Program Elements 3 & 5: Water Supply Plan - Desalters					\$21,760	\$0			\$0	\$21,760	\$0	\$21,760	\$0	\$21,760			
7303 Engineering Services					\$21,760	\$0			\$0	\$21,760	\$0	\$21,760	\$0	\$21,760			
7303	PE3-5	f	PE3-5: Engineering Support for Desalters	9.0	\$21,760					\$21,760		\$21,760		\$21,760		\$21,760	
7400 Program Element 4: Mgmt Zone Strategies					\$233,554	\$364			\$0	\$233,918	\$0	\$233,918	\$0	\$233,918			
7402 Engineering Services					\$233,554	\$364			\$0	\$233,918	\$0	\$233,918	\$0	\$233,918			
Subtask 5 - Data Analyses and Reports										\$72,012	\$0	\$72,012	\$0				
7402	PE4/MZ-1	abC	PE4/MZ-1: Data Analyses and Reports	36.5	\$72,012					\$72,012		\$72,012		\$72,012		\$72,012	
Subtask 6 - Develop a Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1									\$0	\$107,696	\$0	\$107,696	\$0				
7402.1	PE4/MZ-1	abC	Aquifer-System Monitoring	4.0	\$7,104					\$7,104		\$7,104		\$7,104		\$7,104	
7402.1	PE4/MZ-1	abC	Refine and Evaluate Subsidence-Management Alternatives	45.0	\$100,592					\$100,592		\$100,592		\$100,592		\$100,592	
Subtask 7 - Meetings and Administration									\$0	\$54,210	\$0	\$54,210	\$0				
7402	PE4/MZ-1	abC	PE4/MZ-1: Meetings and Administration	24.3	\$53,846	\$364				\$54,210		\$54,210		\$54,210		\$54,210	
7500 Program Elements 6 & 7: Coop Efforts/Salt Mgmt					\$393,580	\$9,421			\$39,250	\$442,251	\$118,674	\$284,326	\$39,250	\$284,326			
7502 Engineering Services					\$280,622	\$1,700			\$0	\$282,322	\$75,130	\$207,192	\$0	\$207,192			
7502	PE6-7	abC	PE6: Analysis of Chino Basin Contaminant Plumes	29.5	\$54,168	\$200				\$54,368		\$54,368		\$54,368		\$54,368	
7502	PE6-7	Ccd	PE7: Maximum Benefit Annual Report	23.5	\$44,896					\$44,896		\$44,896		\$44,896		\$44,896	
7502	PE6-7	de	PE7: Finalize the Updated Chino Basin Maximum Benefit Monitoring Work Plan	7.0	\$15,216					\$15,216		\$15,216		\$15,216		\$15,216	
7502.2	PE6-7	de	PE7: Finalize Water Quality Improvements Work Plan and Implement Efforts to Project Basin-Wide TDS and Nitrate - 50% IEUA Cost Share	63.0	\$150,260					\$150,260	\$75,130	\$75,130		\$75,130		\$75,130	
7502	PE6-7	abC	As needed support for implementation of PE 6/7	7.0	\$16,082	\$1,500				\$17,582		\$17,582		\$17,582		\$17,582	
7510 Update IEUA's Recycled Water Permit/Maximum Benefit Salinity Management Plan					\$15,525	\$3,600			\$0	\$19,125	\$9,562	\$9,562	\$0	\$9,562			
7510	PE6-7	df	Update IEUA's Recycled Water Permits/Maximum Benefit Salinity Management Plan for the Chino Basin - 50% IEUA Cost Share	7.1	\$15,525	\$3,600				\$19,125	\$9,562	\$9,562		\$9,562		\$9,562	
7511 Support Watermaster in Participation and Review of Santa Ana Watershed Basin Monitoring Program Task Force					\$33,010	\$581			\$0	\$33,590	\$0	\$33,590	\$0	\$33,590			
7511	PE6-7	df	As requested services to support Watermaster in its participation in and review of work performed by the Santa Ana Watershed Basin Monitoring Program Task Force	13.8	\$33,010	\$581				\$33,590		\$33,590		\$33,590		\$33,590	
7517 Prepare Monitoring Work Plan for Chino Creek					\$64,423	\$3,540			\$0	\$67,963	\$33,982	\$33,982	\$0	\$33,982			
7517	PE6-7	de	Implementation of Chino Creek Monitoring Program - 50% IEUA Cost Share	37.9	\$64,423	\$3,540				\$67,963	\$33,982	\$33,982		\$33,982		\$33,982	
7520 Preparation of Water Quality Management Plan					\$0	\$0			\$39,250	\$39,250	\$0	\$0	\$39,250	\$0			
7520	PE6-7	a	Water Quality Management Program						\$39,250	\$39,250		\$0	\$39,250				
7600 Program Elements 8 & 9: Storage Mgmt/Conj Use					\$387,107	\$15,712			\$0	\$402,819	\$0	\$402,819	\$0	\$402,819			
7602 Engineering Services					\$387,107	\$15,712			\$0	\$402,819	\$0	\$402,819	\$0	\$402,819			
7614	PE8-9	beC	Support Implementation of the Safe Yield Court Order	100.9	\$221,227	\$15,512				\$236,739		\$236,739		\$236,739		\$236,739	
7615	PE8-9	abJ	Develop 2027 Storage Management Plan	72.0	\$165,880	\$200				\$166,080		\$166,080		\$166,080		\$166,080	
Totals				1,560	\$3,255,995	\$3,255,995	\$3,255,995	\$218,027	\$218,027	\$218,027	\$39,250	\$3,513,272	\$201,975	\$3,272,047	\$39,250	\$3,272,047	\$3,272,047

Notes:

- Work mandated by:
- a OBMP & Peace Agreement
 - b OBMP Implementation Plan
 - c Peace II
 - d Water Quality Control Plan for the Santa Ana River Basin (Basin Plan)
 - e Other Regulatory Compliance
 - f Watermaster staff request
 - g New scope item related to Watermaster Process and Testimony at Court if required
 - C Court Order
 - J Judgment



**Table 2: Comparison of Watermaster Engineering Costs
FY 2026/27 versus FY 2025/26**

FY 2026/27 Account No(s).	Task	Watermaster Engineering Cost Estimate FY 26/27 ¹	Watermaster Engineering Cost Estimate FY 25/26 ²	Net Change
General Optimum Basin Management Program/Judgment Administration		\$773,510	\$573,474	\$200,036
8306, 8506, 8406, 6206, 6306	Pool, Advisory, Watermaster Meetings	\$116,835	\$113,121	\$3,713
6901.8, 5901.8	Other General Meetings as Requested	\$80,325	\$77,818	\$2,507
5935	Material Physical Injury Requests	\$36,096	\$41,668	(\$5,572)
5906.71	Miscellaneous Data Requests - GM/Watermaster Staff	\$112,652	\$109,124	\$3,528
5906.72	Miscellaneous Data Requests - Non CBWM Staff/RFI	\$58,316	\$56,483	\$1,833
6901.95	SGMA Reporting Requirement for WC Section 10720.8 (f)	\$24,858	\$24,068	\$790
6906	Project Management	\$67,966	\$65,810	\$2,156
6906.1	Watermaster Model Application and Required Demonstrations	\$88,388	\$67,619	\$20,769
5945	Assist Watermaster in Preparing the 49th Annual Report	\$18,334	\$17,762	\$572
6906.21	2026 State of the Basin Report	\$169,740	\$0	\$169,740
7100 Program Element 1: Comprehensive Monitoring Program		\$996,713	\$1,099,729	(\$103,017)
7502, 7505	Groundwater Quality Monitoring Program	\$274,034	\$276,552	(\$2,518)
7104.3, 7104.8, 7104.9	Groundwater Level Monitoring Program	\$359,549	\$338,722	\$20,827
7402, 7403, 7406, 7408	Ground Level Monitoring Program	\$228,114	\$261,834	(\$33,721)
7302, 7306	PBHSP - Monitoring Program- IEUA Cost Share	\$83,301	\$135,633	(\$52,333)
7202	Review Documents for Chino Basin Recycled Water GW Recharge Program	\$24,090	\$23,350	\$740
5925	Agricultural Production Estimation	\$0	\$36,336	(\$36,336)
5965	Support for Improved Data Collection and Visualization Tools	\$27,626	\$27,302	\$324
7200 Program Element 2: Comprehensive Recharge Program		\$559,002	\$279,260	\$279,742
6901.95	SWRCB and CDFW Water Rights Reporting	\$42,452	\$42,764	(\$312)
7202.2	PE2: Comprehensive Recharge Program	\$177,240	\$236,496	(\$59,256)
7202.2	2028 Recharge Master Plan Update	\$339,309	\$0	\$339,309
7300 Program Elements 3 & 5: Water Supply Plan - Desalter		\$21,760	\$21,080	\$680
7303	PE3-5: Engineering Support for Desalters	\$21,760	\$21,080	\$680
7400 Program Element 4: Management Zone Strategies		\$233,918	\$436,725	(\$202,807)
7402	PE4/MZ-1: Data Analyses, Reports, Meetings, and Administration	\$126,222	\$142,559	(\$16,337)
7402.1	PE4: Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1	\$107,696	\$294,166	(\$186,470)
7500 Program Elements 6 & 7: Cooperative Efforts/Salt Management		\$284,326	\$322,048	(\$37,722)
7502, 7502.2	PE6-7: Consulting Services for Water Quality under PE 6/7	\$207,192	\$206,820	\$372
7510	Update IEUA's Recycled Water Permits/Maximum Benefit Salinity Management Plan for the Chino Basin - 50% IEUA Cost Share	\$9,562	\$9,522	\$40
7511	As Requested Services to Review of Work Performed by Santa Ana Watershed BMPTF	\$33,590	\$28,022	\$5,568
7517	Implementation of Chino Creek Monitoring Program - 50% IEUA Cost Share	\$33,982	\$38,434	(\$4,452)
7520	Water Quality Management Program	\$0	\$39,250	(\$39,250)
7600 Program Elements 8 & 9: Storage Management/Conjunctive Use		\$402,819	\$711,089	(\$308,270)
7610	Develop Storage and Recovery Master Framework	\$0	\$21,720	(\$21,720)
7614	Support Implementation of the Safe Yield Court Order	\$236,739	\$551,553	(\$314,814)
7615	Develop 2027 Storage Management Plan	\$166,080	\$137,816	\$28,264
Totals		\$3,272,047	\$3,443,405	(\$171,357)

Notes:

¹ Total engineering cost estimate (\$3,513,272) minus estimated IEUA cost-share contribution (\$201,975) from Table 1

² Total engineering cost estimate (\$3,618,518.50) minus estimated IEUA cost-share contribution (\$175,114)

Table 3: Variance Explanations for Engineering Costs
FY 2026/27 versus FY 2025/26

FY 2026/27 Account No(s).	Task	Change from FY 25/26	Variance Explanation
General Optimum Basin Management Program/Judgment Administration		\$200,036	
8306, 8506, 8406, 6206, 6306	Pool, Advisory, Watermaster Meetings	\$3,713	
6901.8, 5901.8	Other General Meetings as Requested	\$2,507	
5935	Material Physical Injury Requests	(\$5,572)	
5906.71	Miscellaneous Data Requests - GM/Watermaster Staff	\$3,528	
5906.72	Miscellaneous Data Requests - Non CBWM Staff/RFI	\$1,833	
6901.95	SGMA Reporting Requirement for WC Section 10720.8 (f)	\$790	
6906	Project Management	\$2,156	
6906.1	Watermaster Model Application and Required Demonstrations	\$20,769	The increase in cost compared to FY 2025/26 is due to the addition of the study for supplemental water recharge in MZ-1 (Peace II Agreement Section 8.4[e]) and the addition of FY 2025/26 to the historical period being modeled.
5945	Assist Watermaster in Preparing the 49th Annual Report	\$572	
6906.21	2026 State of the Basin Report	\$169,740	This is a biennial task that is to be completed in FY 2026/27.
7100 Program Element 1: Comprehensive Monitoring Program		(\$103,017)	
7502, 7505	Groundwater Quality Monitoring Program	(\$2,518)	
7104.3, 7104.8, 7104.9	Groundwater Level Monitoring Program	\$20,827	Increased cost due to budget added to hire outside contractors to perform rehab of an old well to convert it for monitoring water quality and water levels to fill a data gap required by the Regional Board.
7402, 7403, 7406, 7408	Ground Level Monitoring Program	(\$33,721)	Cost decrease compared to FY 2025/26 is primarily due to recommending GPS surveys instead of traditional benchmark leveling surveys. Additional savings result from final payoff for the GAMMA software to process InSAR data.
7302, 7306	PBHSP - Monitoring Program- IEUA Cost Share	(\$52,333)	The decrease in cost in FY 2026/27 is due to the triennial field vegetation surveys not being performed this year.
7202	Review Documents for Chino Basin Recycled Water GW Recharge Program	\$740	
5925	Agricultural Production Estimation	(\$36,336)	This task was completed in FY 2025/26.
5965	Support for Improved Data Collection and Visualization Tools	\$324	
7200 Program Element 2: Comprehensive Recharge Program		\$279,742	
6901.95	SWRCB and CDFW Water Rights Reporting	(\$312)	
7202.2	PE2: Comprehensive Recharge Program	(\$59,256)	The scope of work excludes the one-time Turner Basin analysis completed in FY2025/26 and the collection of MS4 data.
7202.2	2028 Recharge Master Plan Update	\$339,309	The Recharge Master Plan Update (RMPU) is due to the Court every five years. This budget assumes that the 2028 RMPU will evaluate new recharge projects
7300 Program Elements 3 & 5: Water Supply Plan - Desalter		\$680	
7303	PE3-5: Engineering Support for Desalters	\$680	
7400 Program Element 4: Mgmt Zone Strategies		(\$202,807)	
7402	PE4/MZ-1: Data Analyses, Reports, Meetings, and Administration	(\$16,337)	The cost decrease compared to FY 2025/26 is primarily due to the completion of the Whispering Lakes Subsidence Study.
7402.1	PE4: Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1	(\$186,470)	The cost decrease compared to FY 2025/26 is primarily due to completion of the PX refurbishment and the construction and calibration of the additional 1D compaction models.
7500 Program Elements 6 & 7: Coop Efforts/Salt Mgmt		(\$37,722)	
7502	PE6-7: Consulting Services for Water Quality under PE 6/7	\$372	

Table 3: Variance Explanations for Engineering Costs
FY 2026/27 versus FY 2025/26

FY 2026/27 Account No(s).	Task	Change from FY 25/26	Variance Explanation
7510	Update IEUA's Recycled Water Permits/Maximum Benefit Salinity Management Plan for the Chino Basin - 50% IEUA Cost Share	\$40	
7511	As Requested Services to Review of Work Performed by Santa Ana Watershed BMPTF	\$5,568	
7517	Implementation of Chino Creek Monitoring Program - 50% IEUA Cost Share	(\$4,452)	
7520	Water Quality Management Program	(\$39,250)	No work was initiated in FY 2025/26, and the remaining budget will carry over to FY 2026/27. The timing of WQC meetings and WQMP scope will be determined by Watermaster as-needed.
7600 Program Elements 8 & 9: Storage Mgmt/Conj Use		(\$308,270)	
7610	Develop Storage and Recovery Master Framework	(\$21,720)	The scope in FY 2026/27 has been combined with Task 7615.
7614	Support Implementation of the Safe Yield Court Order	(\$314,814)	The 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation was completed in FY 2025/26.
7615	Develop 2027 Storage Management Plan	\$28,264	The scope in FY 2026/27 is greater than the prior year because the majority of the work to complete the 2027 Storage Management Plan will take place in FY 2026/27 and will include initiating the Storage and Recovery Master Framework.
Total		(\$171,357)	

Table 4: Engineering Cost Estimates by Expense Category*
FY 2026/27 Account No(s).

FY 2026/27 Account No(s).	Task	Total Engineering Cost Estimates	Expense Category						
			WY Labor Expense	WY Travel Expense	Equipment Rental	Repro Expense	Equipment Purchases	Lab Expense	Outside Pros
General Optimum Basin Management Program/Judgment Administration		\$ 773,510	\$ 768,914	\$ 4,596	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
8306, 8506, 8406, 6206, 6306	Pool, Advisory, Watermaster Meetings	\$ 116,835	114,448	2,387	-	-	-	-	-
6901.8, 5901.8	Other General Meetings as Requested	\$ 80,325	78,416	1,909	-	-	-	-	-
5935	Material Physical Injury Requests, Other	\$ 36,096	36,096	-	-	-	-	-	-
6906.71, 5906.71	Miscellaneous Data Requests - GM/Watermaster Staff	\$ 112,652	112,352	300	-	-	-	-	-
6906.72, 5906.72	Miscellaneous Data Requests - Non CBWM Staff/RFI	\$ 58,316	58,316	-	-	-	-	-	-
6901.95	SGMA Reporting Requirement for WC Section 10720.8 (f)	\$ 24,858	24,858	-	-	-	-	-	-
6906	Project Management	\$ 67,966	67,966	-	-	-	-	-	-
6906.1	Watermaster Model Application and Required Demonstrations	\$ 88,388	88,388	-	-	-	-	-	-
5945	Assist Watermaster in Preparing the 49th Annual Report	\$ 18,334	18,334	-	-	-	-	-	-
6906.21	2026 State of the Basin Report	\$ 169,740	169,740	-	-	-	-	-	-
7100 Program Element 1: Comprehensive Monitoring Program		\$ 1,080,013	\$ 893,192	\$ 14,155	\$ 9,480	\$ 1,596	\$ 25,250	\$ 42,100	\$ 94,240
7502, 7505	Groundwater Quality Monitoring Program	\$ 274,034	222,534	3,240	6,160	-	-	42,100	-
7104.3, 7104.8, 7104.9	Groundwater Level Monitoring Program	\$ 359,549	299,364	7,235	1,950	-	19,000	-	32,000
7402, 7403, 7406, 7408	Ground Level Monitoring Program	\$ 228,114	166,718	3,440	1,370	1,596	6,250	-	48,740
7302, 7306	PBHSP - Monitoring Program- IEUA Cost Share	\$ 166,601	152,861	240	-	-	-	-	13,500
7202	Review Documents for Chino Basin Recycled Water GW Recharge Program	\$ 24,090	24,090	-	-	-	-	-	-
5965	Support for Improved Data Collection and Visualization Tools	\$ 27,626	27,626	-	-	-	-	-	-
7200 Program Element 2: Comprehensive Recharge Program		\$ 559,002	\$ 557,888	\$ 1,114	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
6901.95	SWRCB and CDFW Water Rights Reporting	\$ 42,452	42,452	-	-	-	-	-	-
7202.2	PE2: Comprehensive Recharge Program	\$ 177,240	176,604	636	-	-	-	-	-
7202.2	2028 Recharge Master Plan Update	\$ 339,309	338,832	477	-	-	-	-	-
7300 Program Elements 3 & 5: Water Supply Plan - Desalter		\$ 21,760	\$ 21,760	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
7303	PE3-5: Engineering Support for Desalters	\$ 21,760	21,760	-	-	-	-	-	-
7400 Program Element 4: Mgmt Zone Strategies		\$ 233,918	\$ 233,554	\$ 364	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
7402	PE4/MZ-1: Data Analyses, Reports, Meetings, and Administration	\$ 126,222	125,858	364	-	-	-	-	-
7402.1	PE4: Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1	\$ 107,696	107,696	-	-	-	-	-	-
7500 Program Elements 6 & 7: Coop Efforts/Salt Mgmt		\$ 442,251	\$ 432,830	\$ 4,781	\$ 1,140	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,500
7502	PE6-7: As-needed consulting for Plumes and Maximum Benefit Annual Reporting	\$ 282,322	280,622	1,700	-	-	-	-	-
7510	Update IEUA's Recycled Water Permit and Water Salinity MP - IEUA Cost Share	\$ 19,125	15,525	100	-	-	-	-	3,500
7511	As requested services to support Watermaster in its participation in and review of work performed by the Santa Ana Watershed Basin Monitoring Program Task Force	\$ 33,590	33,010	581	-	-	-	-	-
7517	Implementation of Chino Creek Monitoring Program - 50% IEUA Cost Share	\$ 67,963	64,423	2,400	1,140	-	-	-	-
7520	Water Quality Management Program	\$ 39,250	39,250	-	-	-	-	-	-
7600 Program Elements 8 & 9: Storage Mgmt/Conj Use		\$ 402,819	\$ 387,107	\$ 400	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,312
7614	Support Implementation of the Safe Yield Court Order	\$ 236,739	221,227	200	-	-	-	-	15,312
7615	Develop 2027 Storage Management Plan	\$ 166,080	165,880	200	-	-	-	-	-
Totals		\$ 3,513,272	\$ 3,295,245	\$ 25,409	\$ 10,620	\$ 1,596	\$ 25,250	\$ 42,100	\$ 113,052

Notes:

* Total engineering cost estimates include IEUA cost sharing contributions and Carryover

TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 1, 2026 Project No.: 941-80-25-21

TO: Ground-Level Monitoring Committee

FROM: West Yost Associates

REVIEWED BY: Andy Malone, PG

SUBJECT: Recommended Scope-of-Work and Budget for the Ground-Level Monitoring Program for Fiscal Year 2026/27 **(FINAL)**

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Pursuant to the Optimum Basin Management Program Implementation Plan and the Peace Agreement, the Chino Basin Watermaster (Watermaster) implements a Subsidence Management Plan (SMP) for the Chino Basin to minimize or stop the occurrence of land subsidence and ground fissuring. The Court approved the SMP and ordered its implementation in November 2007 (2007 SMP). The 2007 SMP was updated in 2015 (2015 SMP) and can be downloaded from the Watermaster [website](#). The SMP outlines a program of monitoring, data analysis, and annual reporting. A key element of the SMP is its adaptive nature—Watermaster can adjust the SMP as warranted by the monitoring/testing data.

The Watermaster Engineer, with the guidance of the Ground-Level Monitoring Committee (GLMC), prepares annual reports which include: the results of the Ground-Level Monitoring Program (GLMP); interpretations of the data; recommendations for the GLMP for the following fiscal year (FY); and recommendations for adjustments to the SMP, if any.

This Technical Memorandum (TM) describes the Watermaster Engineer's recommended activities for the GLMP for FY 2026/27 in the form of a proposed scope-of-work and budget.

Members of the GLMC are asked to:

- Review this draft TM prior to March 5, 2026.
- Attend a meeting of the GLMC at 10:00 am on March 5, 2026 to discuss the proposed scope-of-work and budget for FY 2026/27.
- Submit comments and suggested revisions on the proposed scope-of-work and budget for FY 2026/27 to the Watermaster by April 2, 2026.

Table 1. Work Breakdown Structure and Cost Estimates for the Ground-Level Monitoring Program: FY 2026/27

Task Description			Notes	Labor (days)		Other Direct Costs					Totals				
				Person Days	Total	Travel	New Equip.	Equip. Rental	Outside Pro	Misc.	Total	Totals by Task	Recommended Budget	Approved Budget	Net Change
													2026/27	2025/26	from 2025/26

Notes:

a Assumes in-person meetings.

A final recommended scope-of-work and budget that addresses the comments and suggested revisions of the GLMC will be included in the Watermaster staff's proposed budget for FY 2026/27. The final scope-of-work and budget for FY 2026/27 approved by the Watermaster will be included in Section 4 of the *2025/26 Annual Report for the GLMP*.

RECOMMENDED SCOPE-OF-WORK AND BUDGET – FY 2026/27

A proposed scope-of-work and budget for the GLMP for FY 2026/27 is shown in Table 1 as a line-item cost estimate. The proposed scope-of-work is summarized below.

Task 1. Setup and Maintenance of the Monitoring Network

The Chino Basin extensometer facilities are key monitoring facilities for the GLMP. They require regular and as-needed maintenance and calibration to remain in working order and to ensure the recording of accurate measurements.

Task 1.1. Maintain Extensometer Facilities

This subtask includes performing monthly visits to the extensometer facilities at Ayala Park (APX), Chino Creek (CCX), and Pomona (PX) to ensure functionality and calibration of the monitoring equipment and data loggers. Two staff members are required for these visits due to safety concerns.

Non-routine efforts to be performed under this subtask during FY 2026/27 may include:

- As-needed adjustments to the extensometers to ensure the accuracy of the measurements of aquifer-system deformation.
- As-needed repair or replacement of linear potentiometers, transducers, and/or the CR1000X data loggers.

Task 1.2. Annual Lease Fees for the Chino Creek Extensometer Site

The County of San Bernardino (County) owns the land the Chino Creek extensometer facility is located on. As such, the Watermaster entered into a lease agreement with the County in 2012 and pays the County an annual rental payment of \$1,596.

Task 2. Aquifer-System Monitoring and Testing

This task involves the collection, compilation, and checking of hydraulic head and aquifer-system deformation data from the Ayala Park, Chino Creek, and PX extensometer facilities.

Task 2.1. Conduct Quarterly Monitoring at Extensometer Facilities

This subtask involves quarterly data collection, processing, and checking from the three extensometer facilities. This frequency of data collection/checking is needed to ensure that the monitoring equipment is in good working order and to minimize the risk of losing data because of equipment malfunction. For this subtask, the complete extensometer and piezometer

records from the APX, CCX, and PX facilities are loaded to HydroDaVESM (Hydrologic Database and Visual Explanations), the annual report figures are updated, and all the new data are checked for accuracy. If the data indicate malfunctioning equipment or inaccurate measurements, then any necessary adjustments to the monitoring equipment are made. Two staff members are required for these visits due to safety concerns.

Task 3. Basin-Wide Ground-Level Monitoring Program (InSAR)

This task involves the annual collection and analysis of Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) scenes to estimate the vertical ground motion across the western portion of Chino Basin from March 2026 to March 2027.¹

In this subtask, five SAR scenes that are acquired by the TerraSAR-X satellite from March 2026 to March 2027 are purchased from the German Aerospace Center. West Yost will use the SAR scenes to prepare 12 interferograms (InSAR) that describe the incremental and cumulative vertical ground motion that occurred from March 2026 to March 2027, and since 2011. The associated costs to task, acquire, purchase, and process the InSAR data is as follows:

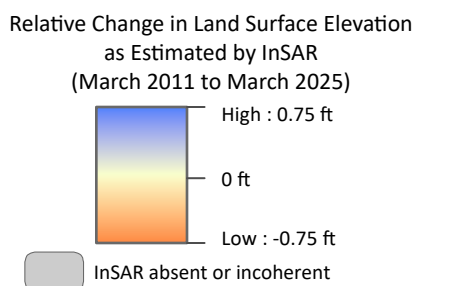
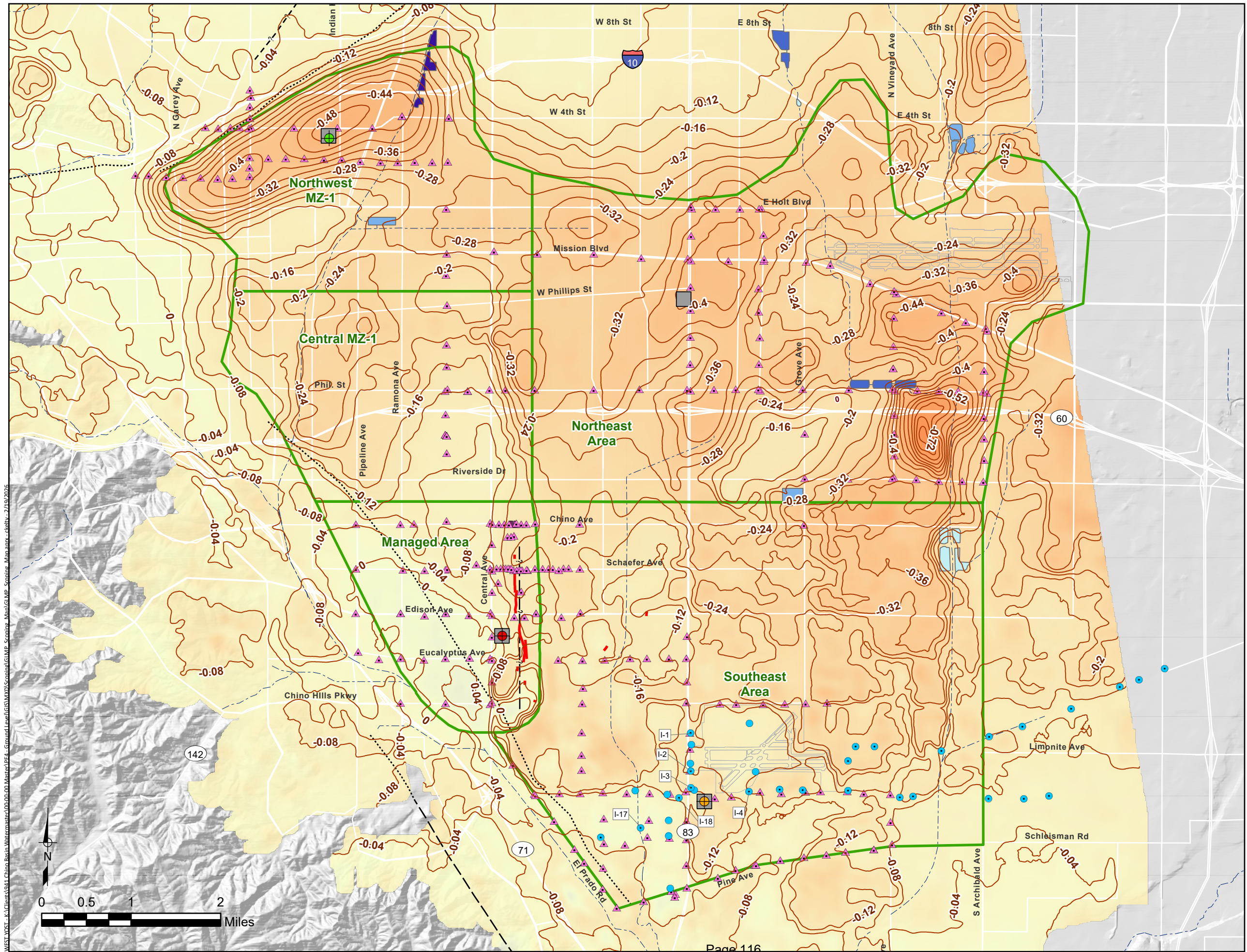
- Task TerraSAR-X for five SAR acquisitions for the western Chino Basin (\$1,000)
- Purchase TerraSAR-X data (\$10,000)
- Prepare and check InSAR results, including the interferograms and GIS-generated rasters (\$76,448)

In addition, West Yost purchased and maintains the GAMMA software that is necessary to process the SAR data and prepare the InSAR estimates of vertical ground motion. The annual maintenance cost for the GAMMA software is \$6,600.

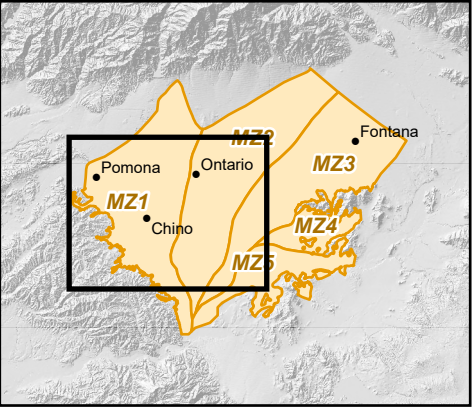
Task 4. Perform Ground-Level Surveys

This task involves conducting traditional leveling and GPS elevation surveys at benchmark monuments across defined areas of western Chino Basin to estimate the vertical ground motion that occurred since the prior survey. Figure 1 shows the location of the benchmark monuments surveyed across the western Chino Basin. Electronic distance measurements (EDM surveys) are also performed periodically between monuments to estimate horizontal ground motion in areas where ground fissuring due to differential land subsidence is a concern. Table 2 documents the traditional leveling and GPS surveys conducted since 2018 as part of the GLMP.

¹ West Yost is performing this task internally instead of subcontracting the work. This was made possible by West Yost hiring the InSAR subconsultant directly and purchasing/maintaining the necessary hardware and software.



- Areas of Subsidence Concern
- Pomona Extensometer Facility
- Chino Creek Extensometer Facility
- Ayala Park Extensometer Facility
- ▲ Ground-Level Survey Benchmark
- Ground-Level GPS Station
- Chino Desalter Authority Well
- SB County Extraction Well
- Ground Fissures
- ? Approximate Location of the Riley Barrier
- Santa Ana Watershed Rivers



Chino Basin Watermaster
Ground-Level Monitoring Program

Figure 1

Ground-Level Monitoring Program
Fiscal Year 2026/27

Table 2. History of Ground-Level Surveys										
Ground-Level Survey Area	Ground-Level Survey Completed (Y/N)?									
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026 ^(c)	2027 ^(d)
Managed Area	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N
Fissure Zone Area ^(a)	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Central Area	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Northwest Area	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
San Jose Fault Zone Area ^(a)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N
Southeast Area	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N
Northeast Area	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
GPS points in key areas ^(b)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y
(a) Denotes EDM survey area (measurements of horizontal strain). (b) As an alternative to traditional ground-level surveys, a new recommendation for Spring 2027 is to conduct GPS surveys at four key control points in the Managed, Northwest, Northeast, and Southeast areas. (c) The 2026 surveys are scheduled to begin in March 2026. (d) The 2027 surveys are scheduled to begin in March 2027.										

The surveys recommended for FY 2026/27 include the following:

Task 4.5. Conduct GPS Surveys at Four Control Points in the Northwest, Northeast, Southeast, and Managed Areas

As an alternative to traditional ground-level surveys, a new recommendation for Spring 2027 is to conduct GPS surveys at four key control points in the Managed, Northwest, Southeast, and Northeast areas:

- APEXO-1 at the Ayala Park Extensometer (Managed Area)
- MPEXO-1 at the Pomona Extensometer (Northwest Area)
- B-290 at the Chino Creek Extensometer (Southeast Area)
- A new control point near the 1D modeling location at Ontario Well 33 (Northeast Area)

These control points will be referenced to the Ayala Park elevation datum at the APX.

This strategy offers a more cost-effective approach, since the results of the GLMP indicate that InSAR monitoring is providing accurate estimates of vertical ground motion at high spatial resolution and across all Areas of Subsidence Concern. The GPS survey results will be used to verify InSAR estimates of vertical ground motion, support calibration of the 1D subsidence models, and provide reference elevations for any future differential leveling surveys in these four Areas of Subsidence Concern. This subtask also includes labor by field staff to escort the contractor to each GPS control point.

Task 4.6. Replace Destroyed Benchmarks (if needed)

In this subtask, the surveyor replaces benchmark monuments that have been destroyed since the last survey, if any. If additional benchmarks are required, the surveyor will provide a cost estimate to complete the task.

Task 4.7. Process, Check, and Update Database

In this subtask, the Watermaster Engineer receives and catalogs the survey results provided by the surveyor, prepares the data for display as a GIS layer, and performs checks against InSAR and extensometer data for reasonableness and accuracy.

Ground-Level Surveys Not Recommended for Spring 2027

Ground-level surveys are **not** recommended for Spring 2027 in the Managed, Central, Northwest, Northeast and Southeast Areas. This recommendation is justified because:

- InSAR is proving to be an accurate, more efficient, higher-resolution method to monitor vertical ground motion across the western Chino Basin.
- Hydraulic heads and vertical ground motion in some of these areas are stable or increasing.
- The cost of conducting traditional leveling surveys has increased significantly in recent years.

Task 5. Data Analysis and Reporting

Task 5.1. Prepare Draft 2025/26 Annual Report for the Ground-Level Monitoring Program

Prepare the text, tables, and figures for a draft *2025/26 Annual Report for the GLMP* and submit the report to the GLMC by September 17, 2026, for review and comment.

Task 5.2. Prepare Final 2025/26 Annual Report for the Ground-Level Monitoring Program

Update the text, tables, and figures based on the comments received from the GLMC and prepare a final *2025/26 Annual Report for the GLMP* by November 2, 2026. Responses to GLMC comments will be included as an appendix to the final report. The report will be included in the agenda packet for the November 2026 Watermaster meetings for approval.

Task 5.3. Compile and Analyze Data from the 2026/27 Ground-Level Monitoring Program

During the winter and spring of 2027, the monitoring data generated from the GLMP during 2026/27 is checked, mapped, charted, and analyzed as the first step in the preparation of the subsequent annual report. Some of the maps, charts, and tables are shared with the GLMC at its meetings in early 2027 during the development of a recommended scope of services and budget for FY 2027/28.

Future Reporting Frequency and Format

Following completion of the 2025/26 Annual Report, the Watermaster Engineer recommends evaluating opportunities to improve reporting efficiency, including the potential to reduce the reporting frequency to bi-annual, which could be coordinated with the bi-annual State of the Basin Report, subject to Court approval.

Under this approach, the Watermaster Engineer would continue to provide annual data summaries and updates to the GLMC during a special meeting each spring. A written report would be prepared every two years and/or presented in coordination with the State of the Basin Report.

Any modification to the reporting frequency or format would be implemented only upon recommendation by the GLMC, the Watermaster Pools, Advisory Committee, and Board, and Court approval. This approach has the potential to reduce long-term administrative and reporting costs while maintaining annual oversight and GLMC collaboration.

Task 5.4. Conduct Whispering Lakes Subsidence Investigation of the Northeast Area

In the Northeast Area, the long-term and short-term InSAR estimates indicate that persistent downward ground motion has occurred in a concentrated area south of the Ontario International Airport between Vineyard Avenue and Archibald Avenue in the vicinity of Whispering Lakes Golf Course. This concentrated area of subsidence is herein referred to as the Whispering Lakes Subsidence Feature.

In FY 2021/22, the Watermaster Engineer conducted a Reconnaissance-Level Investigation that included the review and analysis of readily-available borehole and lithologic data, historical air photos, pumping and recharge data, hydraulic head data, and InSAR estimates of vertical ground motion. Figures and charts were prepared and analyzed to derive interpretations and recommendations for future investigations and monitoring. The investigation and recommendations were included in the *FY 2021/22 Annual Report for the GLMP*.

The investigation and subsequent monitoring show that the subsidence feature directly overlies the Whispering Lakes Golf Course, and hence, suggest that the most plausible mechanism for this subsidence feature is shallow soil consolidation associated with the golf course and/or the prior overlying land uses. If true, groundwater management will have no effect on the Whispering Lakes Subsidence Feature. However, the possibility remains that deeper aquifer-system compaction is at least a contributing mechanism for the land subsidence.

Based on these findings, the Watermaster Engineer does **not** recommend continuing the limited monitoring program in FY 2026/27 for the following reasons:

- Vertical ground motion in this area will continue to be evaluated using high-resolution InSAR analyses developed for the GLMP Annual Report.

- The Watermaster Engineer has been unsuccessful in outreach efforts to install transducers in nearby deep groundwater pumping wells at the Niagara Bottling Facility. However, pumping data reported for these wells will continue to be provided to Watermaster and summarized in the GLMP Annual Report.

Although the limited monitoring program is **not** recommended for FY 2026/27, it should be reconsidered in future fiscal years if InSAR patterns change substantially at the Whispering Lakes Subsidence Feature or if the Watermaster Engineer is granted permission to install and download transducer data at the nearby Niagara Bottling Facility. Such reassessment would help determine whether aquitard drainage and groundwater utilization are contributing factors to the observed subsidence.

Task 6. Develop a Subsidence-Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1

The 2007 SMP called for ongoing monitoring and data analysis of the Managed Area; including annual reporting and adjustments to the SMP, as warranted by the data. The 2007 SMP also called for expanded monitoring of the aquifer-system and land subsidence in other areas of subsidence and ground fissuring concern. Figure 1 shows the location of these so-called Areas of Subsidence Concern: Central MZ-1, Northwest MZ-1, Northeast Area, and Southeast Area. The expanded monitoring efforts outside of the Managed Area are consistent with the requirements of OBMP Program Element 1 and its implementation plan contained in the Peace Agreement.²

The 2007 SMP stated that if data from existing monitoring efforts in the Areas of Subsidence Concern indicate the potential for adverse impacts due to subsidence, the Watermaster would revise the SMP to avoid those adverse impacts. The 2014 Annual Report of the GLMP recommended that the 2007 SMP be updated to better describe the Watermaster's land subsidence efforts and obligations, including areas outside of MZ-1. As such, the update included a name change to the 2015 Chino Basin Subsidence Management Plan (2015 SMP) and a recommendation to develop a subsidence management plan for Northwest MZ 1.

The Watermaster had been monitoring vertical ground motion in Northwest MZ-1 via InSAR during the development of the 2007 SMP. Land subsidence in Northwest MZ-1 was first identified as a concern in 2006 in the MZ-1 Summary Report and again in 2007 in the 2007 SMP. Of particular concern was the occurrence of concentrated differential subsidence across the San Jose Fault in Northwest MZ-1—the same spatial pattern of differential subsidence that occurred in the Managed Area during the time of ground fissuring. Ground fissuring is the main subsidence-related threat to infrastructure. The issue of differential subsidence, and the potential for ground fissuring in Northwest MZ-1, has been discussed at prior GLMC meetings, and the subsidence has been documented and described as a concern in the Watermaster's

² http://www.cbwm.org/docs/legaldocs/Peace_Agreement.pdf.

State of the Basin Reports, the annual reports of the GLMP, and in the *Initial Hydrologic Conceptual Model and Monitoring and Testing Program for the Northwest MZ-1 Area* (WEI, 2017). The Watermaster increased monitoring efforts in Northwest MZ-1 beginning in FY 2012/13 to include ground elevation surveys and electronic distance measurements (EDM) to monitor ground motion and the potential for fissuring.

In 2015, the Watermaster's Engineer developed the *Work Plan to Develop a Subsidence Management Plan for the Northwest MZ-1 Area* (Work Plan; WEI 2015b).³ The Work Plan is characterized as an ongoing Watermaster effort and includes a description of a multi-year scope-of-work, a cost estimate, and an implementation schedule. The Work Plan was included in the 2015 SMP as Appendix B. Implementation of the Work Plan began in July 2015. On an annual basis, the GLMP analyzes the data and information generated by the implementation of the Work Plan. The results and interpretations generated from the analysis are documented in the annual report for the GLMP and used to prepare recommendations for future activities.

Progress to Implement Work Plan through FY 2025/26

The progress that has been made to implement the Work Plan through FY 2025/26 is described below:

- An initial hydrogeologic conceptual model of the Northwest MZ-1 Area was developed, and a report was published in 2017.⁴ This report described the hydrogeology of the area, speculated on the causes of the observed land subsidence, and included a recommended monitoring program.
- A preliminary one-dimensional (1D) compaction model, based on hydrogeologic information from the MVWD-28 well site, was constructed, calibrated and used to explore the future occurrence of subsidence in Northwest MZ-1 under various basin-operation scenarios of groundwater production and artificial recharge and to identify potential subsidence mitigation strategies. A report⁵ was published to document the results and interpretations of the modeling, which were: ***the deep aquifer system is most susceptible to future compaction and associated land subsidence, and hence, heads will need to increase in the deep aquifer system to minimize or abate future subsidence in Northwest MZ-1.*** The report also included a recommendation to construct the Pomona Extensometer.
- The initial monitoring program was implemented to closely track groundwater-levels, groundwater production, recharge, and ground motion across Northwest MZ-1. This

³ [Work Plan to Develop a Subsidence-Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1](#)

⁴ https://www.cbwm.org/docs/engdocs/GLMC/nwmz1/Final_NWMZ1_Task1_Report.pdf

⁵ <https://www.cbwm.org/docs/engdocs/GLMC/nwmz1/20171220%20Final%20NWMZ1%20Task3-4%20Tech%20Memo.pdf>

monitoring program included the construction of the Pomona Extensometer to measure and record depth-specific heads and aquifer-system deformation. Implementation of the monitoring program is ongoing.

- A new 1D model was constructed and calibrated using the hydrogeologic information collected at the Pomona Extensometer. The 1D model at MVWD-28 was also updated and recalibrated using current information. The objectives of this exercise were to: (i) describe the subsidence mechanisms and the pre-consolidation head by aquifer-system layer in Northwest MZ-1 and (ii) develop modeling tools that can be used to explore the future occurrence of subsidence in Northwest MZ-1 under various basin-operation scenarios of groundwater production and artificial recharge and to identify potential subsidence mitigation strategies. This work was reviewed by the GLMC, and additional model calibration refinements and sensitivity analyses were performed based on GLMC input. In November 2022, the Watermaster Engineer published a final report⁶ on the 1D Model calibrations and sensitivity analyses (with review by the GLMC) and deemed the 1D Models sufficient to simulation future land subsidence under prospective plans for pumping and recharge.
- In 2023, the Watermaster Engineer, with review and input from the GLMC, developed an initial “Subsidence Management Alternative” for Northwest MZ-1 called SMA-1. SMA-1 is equivalent to the planning scenario that was simulated with the 2020 Chino Valley Model (CVM) to support the 2020 Safe Yield Recalculation (2020 SYR). The 2020 SYR was intended to represent and simulate the Parties’ projected pumping, recharge, and use of storage through 2050. The results of the 2020 SYR (*i.e.*, projected hydraulic heads by CVM layer) were used as input data for the 1D Model simulations to predict the potential future occurrence of subsidence through 2050. In September 2023, the Watermaster Engineer published a draft TM titled *1D Model Simulation of Subsidence in Northwest MZ-1—Subsidence Management Alternative #1*. The Watermaster’s recommendations from this work were the following:
 - a. Establish a *preliminary* “Northwest MZ-1 Guidance Level” of 630 ft-amsl for hydraulic heads in Layers 3 and 5 at the PX location. The *preliminary* Guidance Level is based on the physics of aquitard drainage and an aspirational Watermaster recommendation that, if achieved, would likely slow or stop aquitard compaction and land subsidence in Northwest MZ-1. While it is true that the rate of subsidence has slowed in Northwest MZ-1, the threat of future groundwater level declines and associated subsidence (and ground fissuring) remains, which is a reason why the Watermaster conducts the subsidence

⁶ <https://www.cbwm.org/docs/engdocs/GLMC/nwmz1/TM%20-%20941%20-%201D%20Model%20-%20Final.pdf>

monitoring program and is developing a Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1.

- b. Compliance with the Guidance Level should be measured at the PX-2/3 piezometer, which is generally representative of heads in Layers 3 and 5.
- c. The methods to achieve the Guidance Level could include but are not limited to: voluntary modification of pumping patterns; in-lieu recharge; wet-water recharge via spreading and/or injection; or a combination of methods. These methods might necessitate: voluntary modification of water-supply plans of the purveyors in the Chino Basin; modification of Watermaster practices for recharge and replenishment; and/or the implementation of regional-scale storage or conjunctive-use programs.
- d. Additional SMAs should be developed and evaluated with the 1D Models to generate the necessary information to finalize the Guidance Level and the *Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1*. The additional SMAs could be developed during Watermaster's groundwater modeling efforts associated with the 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation and the development of the Storage and Recovery Master Plan. The GLMC should participate in the scenario building exercises associated with these Watermaster efforts to develop the SMAs, so that the scenarios include various methods to achieve the Guidance Level. Then, the 1D Models should be used to evaluate the potential future subsidence in Northwest MZ-1 under the SMAs. These model results and evaluations will support the establishment of a Guidance Level in the *Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1*. It should be noted that future monitoring and analyses always hold the potential for revisions to the Guidance Level, consistent with the adaptive management approach called for in the Chino Basin Subsidence Management Plan.

Based on the expected progress through FY 2025/26, the following work is recommended for FY 2026/27 to develop the *Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1*:

Task 6.1. Aquifer-System Monitoring

The established monitoring program of piezometric levels and pumping at wells in Northwest MZ-1 will continue through various techniques, including: (i) SCADA-based monitoring by the Monte Vista Water District; (ii) monitoring of piezometric levels via sonar⁷; (iii) monitoring of piezometric levels via pressure transducers at City of Pomona production wells; and (iv) manual measurements of piezometric levels. These data, along with data collected from the PX in Task

⁷ The use of sonar technology to measure piezometric levels in wells is currently being used in Monte Vista Water District wells 28 and 31.

2.1, will improve the understanding of the hydrogeology in Northwest MZ-1, will be used to develop the *Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1*, and in the future, will be used to adapt the Chino Basin Subsidence Management Plan, as appropriate.

In this subtask, all data is collected, compiled, checked, and analyzed every three months. Charts and data graphics of pumping, piezometric levels, and aquifer-system deformation will be updated to support the data collection and analysis.

The Watermaster Engineer has previously reported that the PX monitoring facility is not recording accurate extensometer data. The primary causes of these inaccuracies include entanglement of the steel extensometer cables with transducer cables within the well casings, as well as malfunctioning linear potentiometers and/or data loggers. In FY 2025/26, the Watermaster Engineer refurbished the facility with assistance from an well rehab subcontractor, with completion expected in April 2026. For FY 2026/27, **no** additional funding is recommended for refurbishment of this facility, as periodic maintenance and repairs are included under Tasks 1 and 2.

Task 6.2. Refine and Evaluate Subsidence-Management Alternatives

During FY 2025/26, the Watermaster is conducting the 2025 SYR, which involves the development and evaluation of multiple projection scenarios of future hydrology, pumping, managed recharge, and use of managed storage in the Chino Basin. These projection scenarios are being simulated with an updated CVM. The CVM results provide basin-scale projections of groundwater levels by model layer and are used to evaluate the Safe Yield and the potential for MPI in the future. The evaluation of MPI in the 2025 SYR is based on groundwater-level criteria (i.e., minimum historical groundwater elevations that, if exceeded, may cause new land subsidence).

The GLMP Task 6.2 is a more detailed, subsidence-focused evaluation of potential future subsidence in Northwest MZ-1, where projected groundwater levels from the 2025 SYR are used as input data for the 1D Model at the PX location to evaluate the potential for future subsidence in Northwest MZ-1. Based on the 1D Model results, the Watermaster Engineer may recommend that additional SMAs be developed and evaluated with the CVM and 1D Model to generate the necessary information to finalize the Guidance Level and the Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1.

In this way, the GLMP work augments the 2025 SYR analysis by providing a more detailed evaluation of potential future subsidence in Northwest MZ-1 and will support the development of management criteria aimed at reducing the risk of future subsidence-related MPI.

During FY 2025/26, the Watermaster Engineer plans to complete the following:

- Run the PX 1D Model using the results from the 2025 SYR.
- Develop up to two (2) additional SMAs that would be designed to mitigate any potential future subsidence predicted in Northwest MZ-1. A draft TM will be prepared to describe

the 1D Model results and the proposed SMAs—including groundwater production and replenishment/recharge plans of the Chino Basin parties. The TM is expected to be prepared and distributed to the GLMC in June 2026.

During FY 2026/27, the Watermaster Engineer plans to complete the following:

- Hold a GLMC meeting in June 2026 to review the recommended SMA(s) and to receive feedback on the TM. The verbal and written feedback from the GLMC will be used to finalize the SMA(s) in FY 2026/27 (using carryover budget from FY 2025/26).
- Evaluate the potential future subsidence in Northwest MZ-1 under the SMAs using the CVM and PX 1D Model. Again, the objective of this task is to recommend a final Guidance Level for Northwest MZ-1 and the Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1.
- Document model results, interpretations, and recommendations in a draft TM for distribution to the GLMC.
- Hold a GLMC meeting to review the draft TM and receive GLMC feedback. The verbal and written feedback from the GLMC will be used to finalize the TM. The final TM and its recommendations will be shared with all Watermaster Parties through the monthly Pool, Advisory Committee, and Board meetings.

It should be noted that future monitoring and analyses always hold the potential for revisions to the Guidance Level, consistent with the adaptive management approach called for in the Chino Basin Subsidence Management Plan.

Task 7. Meetings and Administration

Task 7.1. Prepare for and Conduct Two Meetings of the Ground-Level Monitoring Committee

This subtask includes preparing for and conducting two meetings of the GLMC:

- October 2026 – Review the draft 2025/26 Annual Report for the GLMP.
- March 2027 – Review the draft recommended scope and budget for FY 2027/28.

Task 7.2. Prepare for and Conduct One As-Requested Ad-Hoc Meeting

This subtask includes preparing for and conducting one ad-hoc meeting of the GLMC, as requested by the GLMC or Watermaster staff.

Task 7.3. Perform Monthly Project Management

This subtask includes monthly project administration and management, including staffing, financial and schedule reporting to Watermaster and subcontractor coordination.

Task 7.4. Prepare a Recommended Scope and Budget for the GLMC for FY 2027/28

This subtask includes preparing a draft and final recommended scope of services and budget for FY 2027/28 for the GLMP to support the Watermaster's budgeting process.

Appendix A Response to Comments

Listed below are:

- Comments received from the GLMC as of April 9, 2026 on the draft *Recommended Scope-of-Work and Budget for the Ground Level Monitoring Program for Fiscal Year 2026/27* (dated March 18, 2026)
- Watermaster staff responses to GLMC comments

Comments from Monte Vista Water District (Justin Scott-Coe) – March 18, 2026

Comment 1 – Overall comment. PX Data Use for Final Guidance Level.

Issuance of a final guidance level is proposed for FY26/27 without some key inputs from monitoring and modeling efforts. The Pomona Extensometer (PX), where tangled datalogger cables have impeded extensometer monitoring for several years, has been rehabbed and may begin to collect data as early as April 2026. Extensometer data should be used to inform whether key hypotheses are correct (e.g. delayed dewatering in the deep aquifer from legacy dewatering, as a mechanism for current InSAR vertical ground motion in Northwest MZ-1.) The preliminary guidance level should be evaluated relative to the recent stabilization of vertical ground motion in Northwest MZ-1 prior to establishing a final guidance level.

Watermaster Response:

The PX facility may begin generating improved data as early as April 2026; however, several months of data collection and evaluation will be needed to assess its accuracy and reliability. If the data prove reliable, they may help inform the FY 2026/27 work, although the period of record will likely be too short to fully support key conclusions. Accordingly, the FY 2026/27 analyses will primarily rely on the 2025 SYR results together with the updated CVM and 1D modeling framework to evaluate future subsidence and support a recommendation for a Guidance Level for Northwest MZ-1.

The intent of the FY 2026/27 scope is not to treat the Guidance Level as fixed irrespective of new information. Rather, the Guidance Level will continue to be evaluated in light of additional monitoring data and model results, with input from the GLMC, consistent with the adaptive management approach outlined in the Subsidence Management Plan.

Comment 2 – Task 6. Develop a Subsidence-Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1

“...the same pattern of differential subsidence that occurred in the Managed Area during the time of ground fissuring.”

- As commented previously, the language suggests that conditions in Northwest MZ-1 are the same as the Managed Area during the time of ground fissuring. MVWD recommends

clarifying the language so as not to suggest the two areas are experiencing identical conditions.

Watermaster Response:

The phrase has been revised to read “spatial pattern of differential subsidence” to distinguish it from rates and magnitudes of subsidence.

Comment 3 – Task 6.2. Refine and Evaluate Subsidence-Management Alternatives

“The CVM results are being used to evaluate the 2020 Safe Yield and the potential for MPI in the future. The evaluation for MPI associated with land subsidence in Northwest MZ-1 is being performed using the CVM results. However, the GLMP includes a more detailed evaluation where the CVM results (i.e., future groundwater levels by CVM layer) will be used as input data for the 1D Model at the PX location to predict the potential for future subsidence associated with the 2025 SYR. Based on the results of the 1D Modeling effort, the Watermaster Engineer may recommend that additional SMAs be developed and evaluated with the CVM and 1D Model to generate the necessary information to finalize the Guidance Level and the Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1.”

In the *Analysis of Material Physical Injury and Undesirable Results for the 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation*, Watermaster Engineer defined the threshold for Material Physical Injury in Northwest MZ-1 as *“the historical rate of compaction measured by the interferometric synthetic aperture radar (InSAR) data between March 2011 and March 2024 (approximately 0.033 feet per year).”*

- Recommend including some additional discussion on the interrelation/timing between the Safe Yield Reevaluation and the scope of work here-in. How do the Guidance Level (to be established in FY26/27) and the threshold for Material Physical Injury relate/overlap in terms of this subsidence management scope? How will the SMAs proposed to evaluate Northwest MZ-1 inform the Safe Yield Reevaluation, or do they only inform the Guidance Level and Subsidence Management Plan?
- Why was the March 2011 to March 2024 period selected as a threshold for Material Physical Injury in the SYR work? That seems overly conservative given no Material Physical Injury occurred during that or earlier periods.

Watermaster Response:

- Regarding the first bulleted comment above:
 - The 2025 SYR/CVM work provides basin-scale projections of hydraulic heads by model layer and supports evaluation of Safe Yield and the potential for future MPI. The GLMP FY 2026/27 Task 6.2 effort then uses the projected heads as input to the 1D model at the Pomona Extensometer location to evaluate the potential for future subsidence in Northwest MZ-1 under the 2025 SYR scenarios and to

assess the potential need to develop and evaluate additional SMAs. In this way, the GLMP work augments the 2025 SYR analysis by providing a more detailed evaluation of potential future subsidence to support development of a Guidance Level and subsidence-management recommendations aimed at reducing the risk of potential future subsidence-related MPI in Northwest MZ-1 (i.e., finalize the Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1). The description of the scope of work herein has been revised in Task 6.2 to provide additional clarification regarding the interrelationship and timing between the 2025 SYR and the GLMP scope of work.

- Regarding the second bulleted comment above:
 - The description of the MPI threshold based on the March 2011 to March 2024 InSAR-derived compaction rate reflects an earlier proposed approach. The 2025 SYR incorporates an updated metric for evaluating subsidence-related MPI that is based on groundwater levels rather than a historical subsidence rate. The revised approach to evaluate subsidence-related MPI using groundwater levels as a proxy for subsidence was made because the additional 1D models across all areas of subsidence concern were not available in time to utilize in the 2025 SYR. The revised approach was described in the first draft report for the 2025 SYR in October 2025.

Comment 4 – Task 6.2. Refine and Evaluate Subsidence-Management Alternatives

Previous scope discussion in FY 2025/26 included the development of SMAs to *“Evaluate the minimum recharge quantity of supplemental water in MZ-1, as required by the Peace II Agreement.”*

- MVWD’s understanding is that an evaluation of this recharge quantity has not been completed but mention of this purpose is absent from the scope of work for FY 2026/27. We recommend including language discussing recharge evaluation pursuant to Peace II obligations because, as commented previously, the Watermaster has yet to perform an assessment of minimum recharge quantity of supplemental water in MZ-1. It has taken Watermaster 15 years to finally fulfill this obligation under Peace II.
- MVWD also continues to recommend evaluating the existing model’s ability to predict the recent stabilization of subsidence trends in Northwest MZ-1 at current groundwater levels in the deep aquifer. Does the current model match the latest observed data and trends with additional recharge in Northwest MZ-1? Is the preliminary guidance level appropriate given the recent stabilization in vertical ground motion at lower water levels than the guidance level? Will this evaluation occur during FY26/27 prior to issuance of a final Guidance Level?

Watermaster Response:

- Regarding the first bulleted comment above:
 - The omission of this language from the FY 2026/27 GLMP draft scope was not intended to suggest that the Peace II obligation no longer applies. The obligation will be fulfilled under a different CBWM FY 2026/27 task—*Model Update and Required Demonstrations*.
- Regarding the second bulleted comment above:
 - We agree that evaluation of the recent stabilization of subsidence trends, and the ability of the current modeling framework to reproduce those trends, is an important component of the FY 2026/27 effort. The 2024/25 Annual Report noted that the recent reductions in pumping and increases in recharge in Northwest MZ-1 functioned as an empirical test of the model simulations and generally confirmed the model results that decreased pumping and increased recharge could elevate hydraulic heads and minimize or abate ongoing subsidence.

FY 2026/27 Task 6.2 will use the updated CVM and 1D modeling framework, together with recent monitoring data, to further evaluate whether the model results are consistent with the observed slowing or stabilization of vertical ground motion and to reassess the preliminary Guidance Level before recommending a final Guidance Level.

Watermaster notes, however, that recent increases in groundwater levels and slowing of subsidence rates do not eliminate the risk of future subsidence if groundwater levels decline in the future.

Comment 5 – Task 7.1. Prepare for and Conduct Two Meetings of the Ground-Level Monitoring Committee

This subtask includes preparing for and conducting two meetings of the GLMC: “Section 6.2: Hold a GLMC meeting in June 2026 to review the recommended SMA(s) and to receive feedback on the TM. The verbal and written feedback from the GLMC will be used to finalize the SMA(s) in FY 2026/27.”

- There is some conflict regarding the number and scheduling of GLMC meetings. The header discusses four meetings, the sub header identifies two meetings, and text in Section 6.2 mentions a GLMC meeting in June 2026 not identified in Section 7.1. Please resolve differences in scope.

Watermaster Response:

- The final scope has been updated to resolve the inconsistency in the Task 7.1 header. The proposed meeting schedule for the remainder of FY 2025/26 and FY 2026/27 is as follows:
 - Task 6.2.3: (1) meeting in FY 2025/26, tentatively scheduled for June 2026, but may be held in July 2026 using carryover funds, to review PX 1D Model simulations using results from the 2025 SYR and to discuss SMA recommendations to be evaluated in FY 2026/27;
 - Task 6.2.6: (1) meeting in FY 2026/27 to present SMA modeling results and receive feedback. These results will be used to support recommendation of a final Guidance Level and the Subsidence Management Plan for Northwest MZ-1; and
 - Task 7.1: (2) meetings in FY 2026/27 to review the draft 2025/26 Annual Report for the GLMP (October 2026) and the draft recommended scope and budget for FY 2027/28 (March 2027).

Memorandum

DATE: April 14, 2026
TO: Watermaster Staff
FROM: Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP
RE: FY 2026-2027 Legal Counsel Budget Detail and Analysis

This worksheet has been prepared at your request to provide additional detail regarding the expected legal fees and costs that will be incurred if Watermaster implements its responsibilities under the Restated Judgment, pending Court Orders, including the Peace I and Peace II Agreements, and the Optimum Basin Management Program (OBMP). The Nine Member Board is expected to implement these measures. Additional fees and costs may be incurred in connection with actions that are within Watermaster's duties and implementation authority but outside the control of staff and counsel. That is, Parties to the Restated Judgment and persons not bound by the Restated Judgment may initiate actions that require a response from Watermaster.

This worksheet utilizes the budget as estimated by legal counsel as of the above date, and will be updated, as necessary, so that any adjustments in the budgeted amount can be made considering actual projections concerning time and level of activity associated with anticipated budget line items. The experience of Watermaster over the past more than twenty-five years since Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck (Brownstein) was retained as counsel provides a basis for the budget based upon a customary level of activity. These projections are included within the budget as requested to provide service as legal counsel to the Board. Thus, the proposed budget amount analyzed below is \$1,241,865, which includes a roughly \$41,000 allocation for unanticipated activities.

Budget Assumptions: The number of hours expended to provide the desired level of service is the primary factor in legal counsel expense. The budgeted amount includes reimbursement for out-of-pocket costs that include phone charges, electronic legal research charges, travel costs (including mileage, lodging, etc.) and other incidental costs. While these costs traditionally vary from month to month, they do not constitute a material portion of the budget. Typically, 2-5% of a monthly bill is cost recovery.

Brownstein has represented Watermaster for over 25 years and consequently, as a matter of Brownstein policy, Watermaster enjoys a continuing and gradually steepening discount against standard rates. In some cases, the discount approaches 45%.

Slater and Herrema are the principal lawyers assigned to the Watermaster matter. Over the years, Slater's activities are generally reserved to Watermaster Board meetings, assignments directed by the Board, and task driven.

Definition of “unanticipated expenses”: For the purposes of this memorandum, “unanticipated expenses” refers to an amount of money that is budgeted to account for legal issues that may arise post budget approval that were not anticipated in the budget, or to account for underestimates in the budget for the anticipated matters as a result of unforeseen complexity. Historically, the Watermaster budget preference had been to underfund all parts of the budget, including contingency, so as to not create an expectancy of higher expenditure. Experience suggests that the Watermaster Board and the Parties to the Restated Judgment have been more comfortable with assigning additional funding to a matter after the actual need has been identified. Such funds whose use requires a Board-approved budget transfer/amendment are sometimes identified as “contingency.” This analysis uses the term “unanticipated expenses” in the first sense to refer to an amount of money that is budgeted to account for unanticipated expenses.

Detail articulated below includes:

Regular Meeting Attendance	\$236,115
Board Briefings/Workshops	\$ 31,275
Court Coordination	\$ 80,400
Rules and Regs Rewrite	\$ 11,075
Personnel Matters	\$ 30,500
Interagency and Miscellaneous	\$236,400
Party Status Maintenance	\$ 14,950

Total: \$640,715

Regular Meeting Attendance (6275, 6375, 8375, 8475, 8575) \$236,115

Assumptions: Three meeting days per month staffed by one attorney per meeting. Assumed hours commitment of 5 hours per Pool Committee meeting and 4 hours per Advisory Committee meeting, inclusive of attendance, travel and preparation. Assumption of regular attendance by Slater at the Board meeting (12 hours x 11 months = 132 hours), and by Herrema at Pool Committees and Advisory Committee (5 hours x 3 pool committees x 11 months + 4 hours x 11 months = 209 hours) for an approximate total of \$236,115.

Board Briefings/Workshops (6375.1) \$ 31,275

Over the past few years, Watermaster staff and legal counsel have conducted Board Briefings to provide Board members with information as to the legal background for Watermaster’s activities, the functions of the Pool Committees, Advisory Committee and Board, the role of Watermaster staff and current issues. This budget assumes that one or two briefings or workshops will take place in FY 2026-2027. Responsibility for this task is shared by Slater (20 hours) and Herrema (25 hours) for an approximate total of \$31,275.

Court Coordination (6071)

Activities:

(1) Regular court hearings \$80,400

Based on present trends in the motion practice before the Court, we anticipate a moderate level of effort in 2026-2027 in regard to interactions with the Court. Given that Court hearings require more preparation than regular monthly meetings, this category assumed an hour commitment of 30 hours per hearing inclusive of attendance, travel and preparation of reports or other filings. This category assumes one attorney per hearing, though it is often necessary to staff a hearing with more than one attorney. Responsibility for this task is shared equally between Slater (40 hours) and Herrema (40 hours) with assistance from associate attorney Ben Markham or an equivalent billing attorney (60 hours) for an approximate total of \$80,400.

(2) Rules and Regulations Rewrite (6072) \$ 11,075

The Watermaster Board has directed that the Rules and Regulations be reviewed for any necessary updates every other year. A planned update is proceeding during FY 2026-2027. This budget item presents the level of effort for such a rewrite. Responsibility for this task is shared by Slater (5 hours), Herrema (5 hours), and Markham (10 hours) for an approximate total of \$11,075.

Personnel (6073)

\$ 30,500

It is not anticipated that any significant personnel issues will arise in FY 2026-2027, though some level of activity is the norm in any year. Thus, we have proposed a nominal budget for this item for employment and benefits counsel, Christine Samsel and Nancy Strelau of 50 hours, and an approximate total of \$30,500.

Interagency Issues and Miscellaneous (6074 and 6078)

236,400

There are always a variety of day-to-day matters that arise throughout a month concerning questions that require interpretation of the Restated Judgment, Rules, agreements, etc. Herrema (120 hours) is the attorney responsible for these matters, with assistance from Slater (80 hours) and Markham (120 hours), with an approximate cost of \$187,800.

To the extent that agreements between the parties arise, there will likely be nominal involvement from legal counsel. In addition, it is likely that several interagency agreements will be required in FY 2026-2027 as in past years. These activities assume the work will be done by Herrema (72 hours) for an approximate total of \$48,600.

Party Status Maintenance (6077)

\$ 14,950

In each year, there is a small amount of work to do to regarding the proper placement of parties in Pools and the Pool and party rosters. The proposed budget assumes working with Watermaster staff to undertake this clean-up. The proposed budget assumes that Herrema will be the primary attorneys assigned to this task (10 hours) with assistance from Markham (20 hours), for an approximate total of \$14,950.

Archibald South Plume (6907.31)

\$ 13,400

The proposed budget assumes that Slater will be the primary attorney assigned to the task of any necessary ABGL facilitation (5 hours) with input from Mark Mathews (5 hours) and involvement from Herrema (10 hours) for an approximate total of \$13,400.

Chino Airport Plume (6907.32)

\$ 13,400

The proposed budget assumes that Slater will be the primary attorney assigned to the task of any facilitation related to the Chino Airport Plume (5 hours) with input from Mark Mathews (5 hours) and involvement from Herrema (10 hours) for an approximate total of \$13,400.

Desalter/Hydraulic Control Issues (6907.33)

\$ 41,400

Regional Water Quality Control Board (6907.38)

\$ 69,600

Given the significance of the Desalter and Hydraulic Control issues to the OBMP, legal counsel believes it is appropriate to expect continuing activity on this issue continuing into FY 2025-2026 – specifically in light of the reduced groundwater production in areas of the Basin due to water quality concerns. Given his participation in the CDA facilitation, Slater will be the primary attorney (20 hours) with assistance from Herrema (40 hours), for an approximate total of \$41,400.

Regarding the Regional Water Quality Control Board, a Basin Plan Amendment related to the revision to the Salt and Nutrient Management Plan is planned to be completed in FY 2026-2027. On this matter, work will be conducted by Slater (25 hours), Herrema (40 hours), and Markham (60 hours) for an approximate total of \$69,600.

Santa Ana River Water Rights (6907.34)

\$ 22,425

Legal counsel is currently completing a process to extend the time in which Watermaster must seek to license its water right permit numbers 19895 and 20753 – a substantial amount of work was completed on this in FY 2017-2018, and additional progress was been made in FY 2021-2022 but it is likely that the SWRCB's processing will not be completed until FY 2026.-2027. SWRCB staff have requested additional information in order to complete this process. Watermaster additionally is required to complete annual reporting to the Department of Fish and Wildlife and the SWRCB regarding its diversions under its permit 21225. In addition, given the history on the Santa Ana River it is prudent to account for some level of activity regarding water rights on the River. Work under this budget item is split 1/3 Herrema (15 hours) and 2/3 Markham or an equivalent billing attorney (30 hours) for an approximate total of \$22,425.

Recharge Master Plan (6907.39)**\$ 29,900**

Each year, counsel spends a limited amount of time assisting with administration of the projects approved as part of the RMPUs. Additionally, an update to the Recharge Master Plan must be completed by October 2028, and this effort may begin in FY 2026-2027. It is anticipated that the effort in this regard will be spread among Herrema (20 hours) and Markham or an equivalent billing attorney (40 hours) for an approximate total of \$29,900.

Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability (6907.41)**\$ 10,850**

The Peace II Subsequent Environmental Impact Report includes mitigation requirements as to the development of a Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Committee and Program be developed. Watermaster and IEUA have entered into a cost sharing agreement as to the required mitigation and Watermaster will have ongoing obligations thereunder. It is anticipated that Herrema will provide (10 hours) and Markham (10 hours) for an approximate total of \$10,850.

SGMA Compliance (6907.44)**\$ 10,850**

Based on the Chino Basin's adjudicated status, Watermaster has certain obligations to annually report information to DWR. It is anticipated that there will also be a minimal amount of work associated with tracking and evaluating how new SGMA directives may affect the Basin or suggest changes to Basin management. This will include work by Herrema (10 hours) and Markham or an equivalent billing attorney (10 hours) for an approximate total of \$10,850.

OBMP Update (6907.45)**\$187,800**

The Watermaster Board approved the 2020 OBMP in October 2020. The LSLs was approved in July. Work in 2026-2027 would include assistance with OBMPU implementation and assisting the parties with issues associated with potential amendments to the Peace Agreement and OBMPU Implementation Plan. This effort would include work by Slater (80 hours), Herrema (120 hours) and Markham or an equivalent billing attorney (120 hours) for an approximate total of \$187,800.

2020 Safe Yield Reset (6907.47)**\$159,900**

The Court's 2017, 2019, and 2020 orders as to future Safe Yield resets include processes for potential update to the reset methodology, peer review, and the outcome of the State's process regarding water use efficiency requirements. There will be work in FY 2025-2026 associated with the implementation of these orders, including the completion of the 2025 Model Update and Safe Yield Evaluation and any ensuing action by the Parties and Watermaster. This will include work by Slater (60 hours), Herrema (100 hours), and Markham or an equivalent billing attorney (120 hours) for an approximate total of \$159,900.

Unanticipated Activities (6907.9)**\$ 41,625**

Regarding the unanticipated activities that may occur during the year (please see the discussion on page 1, above), Slater has been budgeted at (25 hours) and Herrema is budgeted (35 hours) for an approximate total of \$41,625.

Account	Description	Note	Labor (Cost)			FY	FY
			Total Hours	Cost		2026/2027 Budget	2025/2026 Budget
				Task	Account		
WM Legal Services - Meetings, Business Items, Associated Activities						\$ 267,390	\$ 249,798
6275	Advisory Committee Meetings	4 Hours/Month X 11 Months @ \$675	44	\$	29,700		
6375	Board Meetings	12 Hours/Month X 11 Months @ \$720	132	\$	95,040		
6375.1	Board Briefings/Workshops	20 Hrs @ \$720, 25 Hrs @ \$675	45	\$	31,275		
8375	Appropriative Pool Meetings	5 Hours/Month X 11 Months @ \$675	55	\$	37,125		
8475	Agricultural Pool Meetings	5 Hours/Month X 11 Months @ \$675	55	\$	37,125		
8575	Non-Agricultural Pool Meetings	5 Hours/Month X 11 Months @ \$675	55	\$	37,125		
Total for Activity			386	\$	267,390	\$ 267,390	
WM Legal Services						\$ 373,325	\$ 346,011
6070	Court Coordination	40 Hrs @ \$720, 40 Hrs @ \$675, 60 Hrs @ \$410	140	\$	80,400		
6072	Rules and Regs	5 Hrs @ \$720, 5 Hrs @ \$675, 10 Hrs @ \$410	20	\$	11,075		
6073	Personnel Matters	50 Hrs @ \$610	50	\$	30,500		
6074	Interagency Issues	72 Hrs @ \$675	72	\$	48,600		
6077	Party Status Maintenance	10 Hrs @ \$675, 20 Hrs @ \$410	30	\$	14,950		
6078	Miscellaneous	80 Hrs @ \$720, 120 Hrs @ \$675, 120 Hrs @ \$410	320	\$	187,800		
Total for Activity			632	\$	373,325	\$ 373,325	
6907.31 Archibald South Plume						\$ 13,400	\$ 12,565
	Archibald South Plume	5 Hrs @ \$720, 5 Hrs @ \$610, 10 Hrs @ \$675	20	\$	13,400		
Total for Activity			20	\$	13,400	\$ 13,400	
6907.32 Chino Airport Plume						\$ 13,400	\$ 12,565
	Chino Airport Plume	5 Hrs @ \$720, 5 Hrs @ \$610, 10 Hrs @ \$675	20	\$	13,400		
Total for Activity			20	\$	13,400	\$ 13,400	
6907.33 Desalter/Hydraulic Control Issues						\$ 41,400	\$ 38,680
	Continued CDA Support	10 Hrs @ \$720, 20 Hrs @ \$675	30	\$	20,700		
	Hydraulic Control	10 Hrs @ \$720, 20 Hrs @ \$675	30	\$	20,700		
Total for Activity			60	\$	41,400	\$ 41,400	
6907.34 Santa Ana River Water Rights						\$ 22,425	\$ 21,405
	Water Right Permits 21225, 20753 and 19895	15 Hrs @ \$675, 30 Hrs @ \$410	45	\$	22,425		
Total for Activity			45	\$	22,425	\$ 22,425	
6907.38 Reg. Water Quality Control Board						\$ 69,600	\$ 63,200
	Legal counsel involvement in ongoing issues	25 Hrs @ \$720, 40 Hrs @ \$675, 60 Hrs @ \$410	125	\$	69,600		
Total for Activity			125	\$	69,600	\$ 69,600	
6907.39 Recharge Master Plan						\$ 29,900	\$ 14,270
	Implementation/Update	20 Hrs @ \$675, 40 Hrs @ \$410	60	\$	29,900		
Total for Activity			60	\$	29,900	\$ 29,900	
6907.41 Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability						\$ 10,850	\$ 10,290
	Prado Basin Habitat	10 Hrs @ \$675, 10 Hrs @ \$410	20	\$	10,850		
Total for Activity			20	\$	10,850	\$ 10,850	
6907.44 SGMA Compliance						\$ 10,850	\$ 10,290
	SGMA Compliance	10 Hrs @ \$675, 10 Hrs @ \$410	20	\$	10,850		
Total for Activity			20	\$	10,850	\$ 10,850	
6907.45 OBMP Update						\$ 187,800	\$ 177,240
	OBMP Update	80 Hrs @ \$720, 120 Hrs @ \$675, 120 Hrs @ \$410	320	\$	187,800		
Total for Activity			320	\$	187,800	\$ 187,800	
6907.47 2020 Safe Yield Reset						\$ 159,900	\$ 151,180
	2020 Safe Yield Reset	60 Hrs @ \$720, 100 Hrs @ \$675, 120 Hrs @ \$410	280	\$	159,900		
Total for Activity			280	\$	159,900	\$ 159,900	
6907.9 WM Legal Counsel - Unanticipated						\$ 41,625	\$ 38,885
	Miscellaneous	25 Hrs @ \$720, 35 Hrs @ \$675	60	\$	41,625		
Total for Activity			60	\$	41,625	\$ 41,625	
Total--All Accounts			2,048	\$	1,241,865	\$ 1,241,865	\$ 1,350,949

Notes:

(A) Includes attorney and witness preparation, hearing attendance and potential post-hearing activities.

(B) Variety of day-to-day matters that arise throughout the month concerning the Judgment, Rules, agreements, etc.

(C) Activities related to clean-up and maintenance of Watermaster's roster of parties and Pool members, along with potential Court filings.

(D) Variety of day-to-day activities such as workshop reviews; research Pool membership issues; stormwater and new yield; review agreements and contracts; coordination of ongoing Watermaster projects; review of draft documents; special activities as requested by GM, etc.

General Notes:

- * Brownstein maintains a 10% discount on all fees over \$100,000 as part of the original contract with Watermaster.
- * Rather than attempt to project which budget items would be affected by the 10% discount, and which out-of-pocket cost items might be relevant to which budget items, the budget detail assumes they offset each other.
- * Rates for most BHFS attorneys reflect an increase for the first time in several years.

Groundwater Recharge Pro Rata Cost Sharing Methodology
60-Month (5-Year) Recharge History to Proposed Budget

FY26/27 Draft Budget

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Drainage / Facility		Facility Site Weight	60-Month (5-year) Recharge (AF) February 2021 to January 2026				CBWM Pro Rata	IEUA Pro Rata	GWR O&M FY Budgeted Expenses (2024/25)*						Cost Share*	
			SW/LR	MWD	RW	Recharge Total	SW/LR & MWD	RW	Basin Maintenance		O&M Labor	Utilities	Contracted Specialty Repairs	Facility Cost Subtotal	CBWM Share	IEUA Share
									Services	SBC and WCD						
Facilities That Can Be Utilized for Recharge With Recycled Water																
San Antonio Channel																
Brooks		1.00	2,319	0	3,699	6,018	39%	61%	\$ 19,140.000	\$ 500.00	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 81,934.60	\$ 31,568.92	\$ 50,365.68
West Cucamonga Creek																
7th & 8th Street		1.00	5,036	127	7,752	12,915	40%	60%	\$ 398,768.000	\$ 857.14	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 461,919.74	\$ 184,656.31	\$ 277,263.43
Ely		1.00	8,408	0	3,877	12,285	68%	32%	\$ 42,536.000	\$ 500.00	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 105,330.60	\$ 72,088.97	\$ 33,241.63
Cucamonga Creek																
Turner 1 & 2		1.00	3,864	1,184	1,950	6,998	72%	28%	\$ 38,920.00	\$ 857.14	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 102,071.74	\$ 73,625.78	\$ 28,445.96
Deer Creek																
Turner 3, 4, 5 & 8		1.00	2,483	0	2,537	5,020	52%	51%	\$ 23,956.00	\$ 857.14	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 87,107.74	\$ 43,091.45	\$ 44,016.30
Etiwanda Creek																
Victoria		1.00	3,029	99	6,554	9,682	52%	68%	\$ 393,156.00	\$ 857.14	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 456,307.74	\$ 147,428.95	\$ 308,878.79
San Sevaine Creek																
San Sevaine 1,2,3, 4, & 5		1.00	6,864	11,034	12,660	30,557	59%	41%	\$ 51,200.00	\$ 857.14	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 114,351.74	\$ 66,977.32	\$ 47,374.43
West Fontana Channel																
Banana		1.00	1,134	0	3,865	5,000	23%	77%	\$ 332,960.00	\$ 857.14	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 396,111.74	\$ 89,870.90	\$ 306,240.85
Hickory		1.00	1,398	1,039	3,278	5,715	43%	57%	\$ 16,760.00	\$ 857.14	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 79,911.74	\$ 34,075.69	\$ 45,836.05
Declez Channel																
RP-3 Cells 1, 2R, 3, and 4 (2M recharge)		0.80	3,731	683	29,009	33,423	13%	87%	\$ 29,448.00	\$ -	\$ 33,475.68	\$ 6,800.00	\$ 9,560.00	\$ 79,283.68	\$ 10,469.52	\$ 68,815.74
Declez		1.00	3,591	0	4,098	7,689	47%	53%	\$ 19,592.00	\$ 857.14	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 82,743.74	\$ 38,642.37	\$ 44,101.37
Subtotals		10.80	41,856	14,167	79,279	135,302			\$ 1,366,436.00	\$ 7,857.14	\$ 451,921.68	\$ 91,800.00	\$ 129,060.00	\$ 2,047,074.82	\$ 792,496.18	\$ 1,254,580.23
Facilities That Can Be Utilized for Recharge with Imported and Stormwater Only																
San Antonio Channel																
College Heights		1.00	193	8,147	0	8,340	100%	0%	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 74,794.60	\$ 74,794.60	\$ -
Upland		1.00	2,662	2,965	0	5,627	100%	0%	\$ 9,250.00	\$ -	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 71,544.60	\$ 71,544.60	\$ -
Montclair 1 - 4		1.00	7,069	34,621	0	41,690	100%	0%	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 71,294.60	\$ 71,294.60	\$ -
Day Creek																
Lower Day		1.00	4,522	5,095	0	9,617	100%	0%	\$ 15,328.00	\$ 857.14	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 78,479.74	\$ 78,479.74	\$ -
Wineville		1.00	0	0	0	0	100%	0%	\$ 28,500.00	\$ 857.14	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 91,651.74	\$ 91,651.74	\$ -
Etiwanda Creek																
Etiwanda Debris Basin		1.00	2,484	5,089	0	7,573	100%	0%	\$ 14,488.00	\$ 857.14	\$ 41,844.60	\$ -	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 69,139.74	\$ 69,139.74	\$ -
San Sevaine Creek																
Jurupa		1.00	3,541	1,132	0	4,674	100%	0%	\$ 19,312.00	\$ 857.14	\$ 41,844.60	\$ -	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 73,963.74	\$ 73,962.16	\$ -
Declez Channel																
RP3 Cell 2M (cost)		0.20					100%	0%	\$ 18,400.00	\$ 857.14	\$ 8,368.92	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 2,390.00	\$ 31,716.06	\$ 31,716.06	\$ -
Misc.																
Grove Basin		1.00	1,523	0	0	1,523	100%	0%	\$ 14,356.00	\$ 857.14	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 77,507.74	\$ 77,507.74	\$ -
MWD Turnouts		1.00					100%	0%	\$ 8,368.00	\$ -	\$ 41,844.60	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 70,662.60	\$ 70,662.60	\$ -
by basin Rubber Dams		0.00					50%	50%						\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Subtotals		9.20	21,994	57,049	0	79,043			\$ 148,502.00	\$ 6,142.86	\$ 384,970.32	\$ 61,200.00	\$ 109,940.00	\$ 710,755.18	\$ 710,753.59	\$ -
Subtotal - All Facilities General O&M		20.00	63,850	71,215	79,280	214,345			\$ 1,514,938.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 836,892.00	\$ 153,000.00	\$ 239,000.00	\$ 2,757,830.00	\$ 1,503,249.77	\$ 1,254,580.23
Special O&M Projects																
None		1.00					50%	50%							\$ -	\$ -
															\$ -	\$ -
Subtotals														\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total - General O&M and Projects		20.00	63,850	71,215	79,280	214,345			\$ 1,514,938.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 836,892.00	\$ 153,000.00	\$ 239,000.00	\$ 2,757,830.00	\$ 1,503,249.77	\$ 1,254,580.23

Footnotes:
* On quarterly invoices, IEUA will credit CBWM for an estimated pro rata cost share based on this cost sharing methodology
At the conclusion of the fiscal year upon obtaining final budget actuals, IEUA will account for a pro rata credit/debit to be applied to the then current fiscal invoicing cycle.



Recharge Water Program FY 2026/27 Proposed Debt Service & Operations and Maintenance Budget

Alexander Lopez

Treasurer

March 2026



2 Debt Service Summary

Debt Type	FY 2026/27 Budget	Funding from CBWM	Funding from IEUA
2020A Refunding Bonds (2008B Variable)	\$956,708	\$478,354	\$478,354
San Sevaine Basin Improvement (SRF loan)	101,947	50,973	50,974
Lower Day Basin Improvement (SRF Loan)	159,484	159,484	0
Wineville/Jurupa Improvement (SRF Loan)*	770,966	770,966	0
RP-3 Basin Recharge Improvement (SRF Loan)*	42,460	21,230	21,230
Interfund Loan Interest**	50,000	47,000	3,000
Total Debt Service	\$2,081,565	\$1,528,007	\$553,558

*Payment amount per the SWRCB Amortization schedule as of 07/03/2024, amount is subject to change pending final loan disbursement.

**FY 2026/27 budget includes interest on outstanding interfund loans of \$50,000, this amount is based on the average annual LAIF yield and is subject to change. Interfund loans used as bridge financing for the RMPU projects totaled \$10.1 million. As of fiscal year end 2025, the outstanding loan balance is \$5.1 million. Interfund loan principal of \$3.1 million is expected be repaid in FY 2025/26 and the remaining \$2 million to be repaid in FY 2026/27.

3 Bond Debt Service



2020A Refunding (2008B Variable) \$5.7M 11 years @ 0.849% Matures 2032	FY 2026/27 Budget	Funding from CBWM	Funding from IEUA
Principal Payment	\$713,595	\$356,798	\$356,797
Interest Expense	242,470	121,235	121,235
Financial Expense	643	321	322
Total Bond Debt Service	\$956,708	\$478,354	\$478,354



4 SRF Loan Debt Service

San Sevaime Basin Improvements (SRF Loan) \$1.5M 30 Years @ 1.8% Matures Dec. 2049	FY 2026/27 Budget	Funding from CBWM	Funding from IEUA
Principal Payment	\$66,431	\$33,215	\$33,216
Interest Expense	35,516	17,758	17,758
Debt Service	\$101,947	\$50,973	\$50,974

Lower Day Improvement (SRF Loan) \$2.8M 20 Years @ .55% Matures Jan. 2042	FY 2026/27 Budget	Funding from CBWM	Funding from IEUA
Principal Payment	\$146,084	\$146,084	\$0
Interest Expense	13,400	13,400	0
Debt Service	\$159,484	\$159,484	\$0



5 SRF Loan Debt Service

Wineville/Jurupa/RP-3 Basin Recharge Improvements (SRF Loan) \$15.4M 20 Years @ .55% Matures Mar. 2046	FY 2026/27 Budget*	Funding from CBWM	Funding from IEUA
Wineville/Jurupa Improvements Project Principal Payment	\$692,628	\$692,628	\$0
Wineville/Jurupa Improvements Project Interest Expense	78,338	78,338	0
RP-3 Basin Recharge Improvements Project Principal Payment	38,146	19,073	19,073
RP-3 Basin Recharge Improvements Project Interest Expense	4,314	2,157	2,157
Total Debt Service	\$813,426	\$792,196	\$21,230

*Payment amount per the SWRCB Amortization schedule as of 07/03/2024, amount is subject to change pending final loan disbursement.



6 Future SRF Loan Debt Service

Montclair Basin Improvement (SRF Loan) \$2.06M 20 Years @ .55% Matures Dec. 2046	FY 2027/28 Budget	Funding from CBWM	Funding from IEUA
Principal Payment	\$97,930	\$97,930	\$0
Interest Expense	11,354	11,354	0
Debt Service	\$109,284	\$109,284	\$0

Information is from SWRCB payment schedule dated 11/01/24, debt service amounts are subject to change. Projections are based on total project costs and related total loan draws.



7 Projected Pay-Go for Wineville/Jurupa/RP-3 Basin Improvements Projects

- First project costs incurred in 2017
- IEUA unreimbursed pay-go to date \$8,516,740
- Final SRF reimbursement of \$6.7 million projected after July 2026

Expense	FY 2026/27 Budget	Funding from CBWM (50%)	Funding from IEUA (50%)
RW15003.05 - RP-3 Basin Improvements Project Projected Pay-go*	\$803,255	\$401,627	\$401,628
Total RW15003.05 Projected Pay-go	\$803,255	\$401,627	\$401,268

Expense	FY 2026/27 Budget	Funding from CBWM (100%)	Funding from IEUA (0%)
RW15003.06 - Wineville/Jurupa/Force Main Improvements Project Projected Pay-go*	\$1,840,392	\$1,840,392	\$0
Total RW15003.06 Projected Pay-go	\$1,840,392	\$1,840,392	\$0
Total Projected Pay-go	\$2,643,647	\$2,242,019	\$401,628

*Pay-Go amounts are subject to change pending final SRF allowable cost reimbursements and final total project costs.

8 Operations and Maintenance



Expense	FY 2026/27 Budget	Funding from CBWM*	Funding from IEUA*
SBCFCD	\$12,000	8,402	3,598
CBWCD	2,000	1,400	600
<i>IEUA – Operations & Maintenance:</i>			
General Basin	1,514,938	637,065	877,873
GWR Administration	689,180	483,123	206,057
Specialty O&M	136,000	95,338	40,662
Utilities	153,000	102,170	50,830
General Allocation (10%)	250,712	175,752	74,960
Total O&M Expense	\$2,757,830	\$1,503,250	\$1,254,580
AM26010 – Groundwater Recharge Condition Assessments (per task order 14)	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
Total O&M Project Expense	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
Total O&M & Project Expense	\$2,807,830	\$1,528,250	\$1,279,580

* Based on Groundwater Recharge Pro-Rata Cost Sharing Methodology Draft Budget

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Wineville Rubber Dam



New Wineville Pumps



Pump flow into Jurupa



New SW Diversion at Jurupa



New Jurupa Pump



Added Basin at RP3

Project Status: Wineville/Jurupa/RP3 Basin Improvements

Budget:

- Authorized capital budget: \$28,846,016

Available Funding:

- \$15.4 M in SRF Loan at 0.55%
- \$10.8 M is State and Federal Grants

Cost Summary:

- Actual/POs Cost: **\$28,673,459**
- Remaining Budget: **\$172,557 (finalizing cost)**

Completed scope items (all project items completed)

- New added basin at RP3 Basin
- Rubber dam system at Wineville Basin's spillway
- Control slide gates within Wineville Basin
- Basin grading for a new pump station at Wineville
- Power, controls, and communication systems at Wineville
- 2-miles of 30-Inch Pipeline passing through Fontana and Ontario.
- Stormwater diversion to Jurupa Basin.
- All new pumps fully installed and tested
- All system controls and SCADA connections tested and functional.

Updates:

- March 30, 2026, the contract work with SCW for the final phase of the Project—the installation and testing of the new pumps at the Wineville and Jurupa Basins—was substantially completed/closing out the project
- April 2, 2026, IEUA completed a final inspection with the State Water Resources Control Board to verify compliance for the \$15 million State Revolving Fund Loan and \$9.8 million Storm Water Grant.
- IEUA staff will host the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation for its final inspection of the Wineville and Jurupa Basin Improvements on May 5, 2026, for which USBR provided \$740,000 in construction funding.