

**SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY**  
1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223



**SAN GORGONIO PASS  
WATER AGENCY**  
*A California State Water Project Contractor*

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors  
and  
Pass Water Agency Foundation Board**

**March 16, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

This meeting is being held virtually and in person.  
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convenience of the public.

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Secretary  
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Directors  
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Chander Letulle  
Mickey Valdivia

General Manager  
Lance Eckhart,  
PG, CHG

Legal Counsel  
Holland Stewart

requiere. También puede contactar a la secretaria de la junta directiva por escrito al San Geronio Pass Water Agency, 1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223.

**1. Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

**2. Roll Call**

**3. Adjustment and Adoption of Agenda**

**4. Public Comment:**

Members of the public may address the Board at this time concerning items relating to any matter within the Agency's jurisdiction. There will be an opportunity to comment on specific agenda items, as the items are addressed. Speakers are requested to keep their comments to no more than five (5) minutes. Under the Brown Act, no action or discussion shall take place on any item not appearing on the agenda, except that the Board or staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed for the purpose of directing statements or questions to staff for follow-up.

**5. PASS WATER AGENCY FOUNDATION BOARD**

- A. Receive and File Pass Water Agency Foundation Financial Report Year-To-Date for Fiscal Year 2025-26, ([pg. 4](#))
- B. Approve Conflict of Interest Policy for the Pass Water Agency Foundation, ([pg. 6](#))

***\*\*Adjourn as Pass Water Agency Foundation Board; Continue as SGPWA Board***

**6. Reports – Staff**

- A. General Manager's Report
- B. General Counsel's Report

**7. Informational Presentations and Updates:**

- A. Water Conditions Report, ([pg. 16](#))
- B. State Water Project Fundamentals – Carryover, ([pg. 24](#))
- C. County Line Rd Construction Update, ([pg. 32](#))

**8. New Business – Discussion and Possible Action**

- A. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-01, Granting a Public Utility Easement to the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District for Heli-Hydrant Water Service, and Authorize the General Manager to Execute Easement upon Completion of Final Legal Descriptions and Plat Exhibits, ([pg. 48](#))

**9. Ordinance for Adoption**

- A. Discuss and Consider Action to Adopt Ordinance No. 19 establishing revised Board Meeting Times and Affirming the Location of Board meetings, and Rescind Ordinance No. 18, ([pg. 70](#))

## 10. Reports – Directors and Committees

## 11. Board Requests for Future Agenda Items

## 12. Announcements

- A. Banning 2026 Installation Dinner, Casino Morongo, March 19, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.
- B. Board Workshop – Agency Law, March 25, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.
- C. Finance & Budget Committee Meeting, March 26, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.
- D. Board Workshop – Media Training, Board Handbook, March 30, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.

## 13. Adjournment

*Pending Agenda Items:*

<i>Request</i>	<i>Requester</i>	<i>Date of Request</i>	<i>Status</i>
Brown Act Refresher	Ball	2/23/26	
Local Vendors Usage	Ball	2/23/26	

(1) Pursuant to Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt public records that relate to open session agenda items and are distributed to a majority of the Board less than seventy-two (72) hours prior to the meeting will be available for public inspection at the Agency's office, during regular business hours. When practical, these public records will also be made available on the Agency's website, accessible at: [www.sgpwa.com](http://www.sgpwa.com) (2) Any person with a disability who requires accommodation in order to participate in this meeting should telephone the Agency at least 48 hours prior to the meeting in order to make a request for a disability-related modification or accommodation.

# ***San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency***

**DATE:** March 16, 2026  
**TO:** Pass Water Agency Foundation Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Lance Eckhart, General Manager  
**BY:** Tom Todd, Jr., Chief Financial Officer  
Jennifer Ustation, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT: FOUNDATION FINANCIAL REPORT YEAR-TO-DATE FOR FY 2025-26**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Receive and file the progress report of financial transactions for the Pass Water Agency Foundation.

**BACKGROUND**

A periodic report of financial transactions serves to inform the Board of income received by and expenditures made from the Foundation.

**ANALYSIS**

Since July 1, 2025, the Foundation has received one donation from the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency for \$33,221.62. The represents the cell tower income received by the Agency in FY 2025-26.

Since July 1, 2025, the Foundation has expended \$250.00 for one item as a donation to the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Recreation and Park Improvement Corporation, another foundation.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The current balance of funds available to the Foundation, held in the checking account at HCN Bank, is \$58,815.45.

**ACTION**

Receive and file the progress report of financial transactions for the Pass Water Agency Foundation.

**ATTACHEMENT**

Financial Transactions Report

**PASS WATER AGENCY FOUNDATION**  
**Financial Transactions and Activity**  
**FY 2025-26**

Date	Item	Check #		Amount	Balance
7/1/25	Balance forward				25,843.83
9/22/25	Beaumont-Cherry Valley Recreation and Park Improvement Corporation	F	2004	-250.00	25,593.83
11/21/25	Transfer from SGPWA (cell tower revenue)	S	122025	33,221.62	58,815.45

# ***San Geronio Pass Water Agency***

**DATE:** March 16, 2026  
**TO:** Pass Water Agency Foundation Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Lance Eckhart, General Manager  
**BY:** Tom Todd, Jr., Chief Financial Officer  
Jennifer Ustation, Chief Financial Officer  
**SUBJECT: FOUNDATION CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY**

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Approve the Conflict of Interest Policy for the Pass Water Agency Foundation.

## **BACKGROUND**

Legal counsel is in the process of securing a federal exemption for the Foundation. This is one of the requirements for the exemption.

## **ANALYSIS**

The Conflict of Interest Policy is a necessary document that guides all Board members and Staff on how to conduct the business of the Foundation in a manner that will avoid ethical issues when making decisions concerning contracts and expenditures.

Legal counsel has reviewed and approved this policy for the Foundation.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with the adoption of the policy.

## **ACTION**

Approve the Conflict of Interest Policy for the Pass Water Agency Foundation.

## **ATTACHEMENT**

Pass Water Agency Foundation Conflict of Interest Policy

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND ETHICS POLICY**  
**OF**  
**PASS WATER AGENCY FOUNDATION**  
A California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation

**ARTICLE I. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE**

Pass Water Agency Foundation, a California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation (the “**Corporation**”) requires its directors, officers, employees and volunteers to observe high standards of business and personal ethics in the conduct of their duties and responsibilities. The Board of Directors (the “**Board**”) of the Corporation, recognizing that it is entrusted with resources devoted to public purposes, has adopted this Conflict of Interest and Ethics Policy (the “**Policy**”). The purpose of this Policy is to protect the Corporation’s interest when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of a director, officer or other person in a position of authority within the Corporation. The Corporation strives to avoid conflicts of interest to ensure that it continues to operate in accordance with its tax-exempt purpose. This Policy is intended to supplement but not replace any state or federal laws governing conflicts of interest applicable to nonprofit or charitable organizations.

**ARTICLE II. DEFINITIONS**

**Section 1. Duty of Loyalty of Interested Persons.** Conflicts of interest can place personal interests at odds with the fiduciary “**duty of loyalty**” owed to the Corporation. The duty of loyalty requires that a director, manager, principal, officer, or member of a committee with governing board-delegated powers (each, an “**Interested Person**”), refrain from using his or her position for personal gain, and avoid acting on issues in which his or her personal or financial interests could conflict with the interests of the Corporation.

**Section 2. Direct and Indirect Conflicts of Interest.** Conflicts of interest arise from personal relationships or from a financial interest. Conflicts can arise either directly or indirectly. A direct conflict can arise where an Interested Person has a personal or financial interest in any matter involving the Corporation or has a financial or agency relationship (i.e., is a director, officer, manager, partner, associate, trustee or has a similar agency relationship) with an entity involved in a transaction or other business with the Corporation. An indirect conflict can arise where someone related to an Interested Person by business affiliation, or a “**Family Member**” (spouse, parents-in-law, ancestors, brothers and sisters (whether whole or half-blood), children (whether natural or adopted), grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and spouses of brothers, sisters, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren) of the Interested Person has dealings with the Corporation. By way of example, an Interested Person has a financial interest if such person has, directly or indirectly, through business, investment or a Family Member:

- (a) an ownership or investment interest in any entity with which the Corporation has a transaction or arrangement;
- (b) a compensation arrangement with the Corporation or with any entity or individual with which the Corporation has a transaction or arrangement; or

- (c) a potential ownership or investment interest in, or compensation arrangement with, any entity or individual with which the Corporation is negotiating a transaction or arrangement.

Compensation includes direct and indirect remuneration as well as gifts or favors that are not insubstantial.

**Section 3. Potential and Actual Conflicts of Interest.** Acts that mix the personal or financial interests of an Interested Person with the interests of the Corporation are indicative of a conflict of interest. Not every potential conflict is an actual conflict, however. An Interested Person who has a financial interest in a matter involving the Corporation may have a conflict of interest requiring application of the mitigating procedures described in this Policy only if the appropriate party designated in Article III, Section 3 decides that such a potential conflict of interest is actual or material. However, acts that even have the appearance of a conflict of interest can be damaging to the reputation of the Corporation. Consequently, the Corporation seeks to avoid potential and actual conflicts of interest, as well as the appearance of conflicts.

**Section 4. Activities that May Present a Conflict of Interest.** The following is a non-exclusive list of the types of activities that may present a conflict of interest and should be disclosed in accordance with Article III.

- (a) **Adverse Interest** Participation by an Interested Person in decisions or negotiations related to a contract, transaction or other matter between the Corporation and: (i) the Interested Person; (ii) an entity in which the Interested Person or a Family Member of such person has financial interest; or (iii) an entity with which the Interested Person has an agency relationship.
- (b) **Competing Interests** Competition by an Interested Person, either directly or indirectly, with the Corporation in the purchase or sale of property or property rights, interests, or services, or, in some instances, competition directly for the same donor or external resources.
- (c) **Use of Resources** Use of the Corporation's resources (for example, staff, contracts, donor lists, or name) for personal purposes of the Interested Person or a Family Member of such person.
- (d) **Inside Information** Disclosure or exploitation by an Interested Person of information pertaining to the Corporation's business for the personal profit or advantage of such person or a Family Member of such person or a person/entity with whom the Interested Person has an agency relationship.

**Section 5. Disclosure.** The primary obligation of any person subject to this Policy who may be involved in a conflict of interest situation is to bring it to the attention of those designated under the disclosure procedures in Article III so that the potential conflict can be evaluated and addressed. An Interested Person should not make the decision about whether a conflict of interest exists unilaterally, if there is an appearance or belief of conflict, disclose the matter as detailed in Article III.

## ARTICLE III. PROCEDURES TO DISCLOSE AND RESOLVE CONFLICTS

### Section 1. Duty to Self-Disclose.

- (a) An Interested Person shall make an appropriate disclosure of all material facts, including the existence of any financial interest, at any time that any actual or potential conflict of interest or ethical question arises. This disclosure obligation includes instances in which an Interested Person who is a director knows of the potential for a self-dealing transaction as described in Section 4, or a transaction involving common directorship as described in Section 7, related to his or her interests. It also includes instances in which the Interested Person plans not to attend a meeting of the Board or a Board committee with governing board-delegated powers (a “Committee”) at which he or she has reason to believe that the Board or Committee will act regarding a matter about which he or she may have a conflict. Depending on the circumstances, this disclosure may be made to the Chairperson of the Board, the President, or the Secretary, or, if the potential conflict of interest first arises in the context of a Board or Committee meeting, the entire Board or the members of the Committee considering the proposed transaction or arrangement that relates to the actual or possible conflict of interest or ethical question.
- (b) In addition, Interested Persons shall, in accordance with Article VI, make an annual disclosure of on-going relationships and interests that may present a conflict of interest.

**Section 2. Disclosure of Conflicts of Others.** If an Interested Person becomes aware of any potential self-dealing or common directorship transaction or other conflict of interest involving another Interested Person, he or she should report it in accordance with the requirements of this Article III.

### Section 3. Evaluation of Potential Conflict.

- (a) After disclosure of all material facts and any follow-up discussion with the Interested Person with a potential conflict of interest, a determination must be made about whether a material financial interest, self-dealing transaction or other kind of actual conflict exists. If the potential conflict is first disclosed during a Board or Committee meeting at which the Interested Person with the potential conflict is in attendance, the Interested Person shall leave the meeting while the determination of whether a conflict of interest exists is either discussed and voted upon or referred to Committee for further consideration. In either event, the decision-making body will evaluate the disclosures by the Interested Person, and will determine on a case-by-case basis whether the disclosed activities constitute an actual conflict of interest. If the disclosure is made outside of the context of a meeting, then the determination of whether a conflict exists will be referred to the Board of Directors for decision and action. Factors the decision-making body may consider when determining whether an actual conflict exists include (i) the proximity of the Interested Person to the decision-making authority of the other entity involved in the transaction, (ii) whether the amount of the financial interest or investment is *de minimis* relative to the overall financial situation of the

Corporation, and (iii) the degree to which the Interested Person might benefit personally if a particular transaction were approved.

- (b) If it is determined that an actual conflict of interest exists which also constitutes a “**self-dealing**” transaction as described in Section 4, then the transaction or matter in question can only be authorized if approved by the vote described in Section 6(a) after the Corporation has followed the procedures set forth in Section 5.
- (c) If it is determined that an actual conflict of interest exists which is not a “**self-dealing**” transaction, but involves participation by the Interested Person in decisions or negotiations related to a material contract, transaction or other matter between the Corporation on the one hand and (i) the Interested Person, (ii) an entity in which the Interested Person or a Family Member of such person has financial interest, or (iii) an entity with which the Interested Person has an agency relationship on the other hand, then the matter in question can only be authorized if approved by the vote described in Section 6(b) after the Corporation has followed the procedures set forth in Section 5.
- (d) In all other circumstances where it is determined that an actual conflict of interest exists, the decision-making body will recommend an appropriate course of action to protect the interests of the Corporation. All disclosures and the outcome of the deliberation about whether a conflict of interest exists will be recorded in the minutes of the appropriate deliberative meeting.

#### **Section 4. “Self-Dealing” Transactions of Directors.**

- (a) Section 5233 of the California Corporations Code requires that certain procedures be followed in order for the Board to approve any specific transaction that involves “**self-dealing**” on the part of a director. Section 5233 defines self-dealing as a transaction in which a director has a material financial interest (an “**interested director**”). Section 5233 requires that self-dealing transactions be approved by the Attorney General or a disinterested Board, with full knowledge, in good faith, and by a vote greater than the standard majority needed for other Board actions, as described in Section 6(a).
- (b) The following are exempt from the approval requirements of section 5233 (and therefore the Corporation need not obtain the vote described in Section 6(a)): (i) approval of an action fixing the compensation of a director as a director or officer; (ii) good faith approval, without unjustified favoritism, of a charitable program of which a director or a director’s Family Member(s) are among the intended beneficiaries; and (iii) a transaction about which an interested director had no actual knowledge involving an amount that does not exceed the lesser of one percent of the gross receipts of the Corporation for the preceding fiscal year or \$100,000.

**Section 5. Procedures for Addressing a Conflict of Interest.** Prior to voting on a contract, transaction or matter in which an actual conflict of interest is found to exist, the Board or Committee will follow the procedures described in this Section 5.

- (a) The Interested Person may make a presentation at the Board or Committee meeting at which such transaction is being considered, but after the presentation, he or she shall leave the meeting during the discussion of, and the vote on, the transaction or arrangement involving the possible conflict of interest.
- (b) The Chairperson of the Board or Committee shall, if appropriate, appoint a disinterested person or committee to investigate alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement.
- (c) After exercising due diligence, the Board or Committee shall determine whether the Corporation could obtain with reasonable efforts a more advantageous transaction or arrangement from a person or entity that would not give rise to a conflict of interest.
- (d) If a more advantageous transaction or arrangement is not reasonably possible under circumstances not producing a conflict of interest, the Board or Committee shall determine whether the transaction or arrangement is in the Corporation's best interest, for its own benefit, and whether it is fair and reasonable. In conformity with the above determination, the Board shall make its decision as to whether to enter into the transaction or arrangement by the vote described in Section 6.

**Section 6. Vote Required for Approval of Conflict Transaction.**

- (a) A self-dealing transaction must receive prior approval by a vote of a majority of the directors in office (not just a majority of directors constituting quorum for the particular meeting), without counting the vote of any interested director, and with full knowledge of the material facts of the transaction and the involved director's interest.
- (b) A transaction in which an actual conflict of interest exists but is not a self-dealing transaction must receive prior approval by a majority vote of the disinterested directors or Committee members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present.

**Section 7. Interlocking Directorships.** Section 5234 of the California Corporations Code permits transactions between corporations having common directors so long as all material facts regarding the transaction and the relevant directorships are known to the respective boards of directors, and the matters are approved in good faith by a vote sufficient without counting the vote of the common director(s). Such transactions are not self-dealing transactions subject to Section 4.

**Section 8. Violations of the Conflict of Interest Policy.**

- (a) If the Board has reasonable cause to believe that an Interested Person has failed to disclose actual or possible conflicts of interest, it shall inform the Interested Person of the basis for such belief and afford the Interested Person an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose.
- (b) If, after hearing the Interested Person's response and after making further investigation as warranted by the circumstances, the Board determines the

Interested Person has failed to disclose an actual or possible conflict of interest, it shall take appropriate disciplinary and corrective action, including but not limited to verbal or written warnings, performance improvement plans, and suspensions.

#### **ARTICLE IV. RECORDS OF PROCEEDINGS**

The minutes of the Board or Committee meeting convened to consider a transaction subject to the mitigating procedures described in Article III shall contain:

- (a) The names of the Interested Persons who disclosed or whom otherwise were found to have a financial or other interest in connection with an actual or possible conflict of interest, the nature of the financial or other interest, any action taken to determine whether a conflict of interest was present, and the Board's or Committee's decision as to whether a conflict of interest in fact existed.
- (b) The names of the persons who were present for discussions and votes relating to the transaction or arrangement, the content of the discussion, including any alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement, and a record of any votes taken in connection with the proceedings.

#### **ARTICLE V. COMPENSATION**

While it is preferred and expected that no Director receive pay for contracted services rendered to the Corporation, in exceptional cases where temporary, specialized work is provided, good faith and full disclosure shall be made to the Board and services shall be provided as governed by written agreement with such terms that are fair and reasonable to the Corporation.

#### **ARTICLE VI. ANNUAL STATEMENTS**

Each person subject to this Policy shall annually sign a statement on the conflict of interest disclosure form ("**Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form**," attached as **Schedule 1**) or such other form as the Board adopts, which at a minimum affirms that such person:

- (a) has received a copy of the Policy;
- (b) has read and understands the Policy;
- (c) has agreed to comply with the Policy; and
- (d) understands the Corporation is charitable and in order to maintain its federal tax exemption it must engage primarily in activities which accomplish one or more of its tax-exempt purposes.

In addition, Interested Persons shall make an annual disclosure of on-going relationships and interests that may present a conflict of interest. Disclosures should address current affiliations, as well as past affiliations for the prior two years. Conflict of interest disclosure forms will be submitted to the Chairperson of the Board annually, and when appropriate, at or prior to action on relevant business transactions.

## ARTICLE VII. PERIODIC REVIEWS

To ensure the Corporation operates in a manner consistent with charitable purposes and does not engage in activities that could jeopardize its tax-exempt status, periodic reviews shall be conducted. The periodic reviews shall, at a minimum, include the following subjects if applicable:

- (a) Whether compensation arrangements and benefits are reasonable, based on competent survey information, and the result of arm's length bargaining; and
- (b) Whether partnerships, joint ventures and arrangements with management companies conform to the Corporation's written policies, are properly recorded, reflect reasonable investment or payments for goods and services, further charitable purposes and do not result in inurement, impermissible private benefit or in an excess benefit transaction.

This periodic compensation review shall be in addition to the Board's statutory obligation to periodically review the fairness of compensation, including benefits, paid to the President and Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation (i) once such officer is hired; (ii) upon any extension or renewal of the officer's term of employment; and (iii) when the officer's compensation is modified (unless all employees are subject to the same general modification of compensation).

## ARTICLE VIII. USE OF OUTSIDE EXPERTS

When conducting the periodic reviews as provided for in Article VII, the Corporation may, but need not, use outside advisors. If outside experts are used, their use shall not relieve the Board of the responsibilities for ensuring periodic reviews are conducted.

## ARTICLE IX. CODE OF ETHICS

**Section 1. Code of Ethics.** In conducting business and activities which are connected with the Corporation, an Interested Person shall follow these guidelines:

- (a) **Ethical Conduct.** Be honest and ethical in his or her conduct, including ethical handling of actual or apparent conflicts of interest between personal and professional relationships. An Interested Person should not engage in activities which have or may have the appearance of impropriety or conflict of interest, or that may call into question the actions or integrity of the Corporation, or of the Interested Person as he or she relates to the Corporation.
- (b) **Legal Compliance.** Comply with applicable laws and regulations, including the California Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004, and report his or her concerns to the appropriate person listed in Article III if it appears that any other director, officer, employee or contractor of the Corporation is not complying with applicable laws or regulations with respect to the Corporation's business.

- (c) **Confidentiality**. Maintain the confidentiality of all internal information about the Corporation, including its donors, clients and beneficiaries, except when authorized or otherwise legally obligated to disclose such information.
- (d) **Fair Dealing**. Deal fairly with the Corporation's staff, donors, volunteers, beneficiaries and suppliers.
- (e) **Protect Assets**. Protect and ensure the proper use of the Corporation's assets, including, its name, goodwill, donor community and reputation.
- (f) **Personal Influence**. Be mindful of the interaction between his or her relationships inside and outside of the Corporation, and not allow inappropriate personal influence over the affairs of the Corporation.
- (g) **Commitments**. Do not "speak for" the Corporation or make or imply commitments by the Corporation without proper internal authorization and communication.
- (h) **Loans**. The Corporation should not make loans to Interested Persons. Loans will not be granted to any member of the corporation.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND ETHICS POLICY

**SCHEDULE 1: CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE FORM**

The undersigned, as a director, manager, principal, officer, or member of a committee with governing board-delegated powers, of **PASS WATER AGENCY FOUNDATION** (the “**Corporation**”), acknowledges that:

1. He or she has received a copy of the Corporation’s Conflict of Interest Policy (the “**Policy**”);
2. He or she has read and understands the Policy;
3. He or she has agreed to comply with the Policy;
4. He or she understands the Corporation is charitable and in order to maintain its federal tax exemption it must engage primarily in activities which accomplish one or more of its tax-exempt purposes; and
5. The following on-going relationships and interests may present a conflict of interest: *(disclosures should address current affiliations, as well as past affiliations for the prior two years, and should include all of the following: the undersigned’s employer, all corporations (nonprofit and for-profit) of which the undersigned is a board member or officer, and the names of such of the undersigned’s Family Members or business affiliates or any other relationships the undersigned has which the undersigned believes may present a potential conflict)*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Maricela V. Cabral  
Deputy Board Secretary

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Water Conditions Report

**Board of Directors Meeting**

**March 16, 2026**



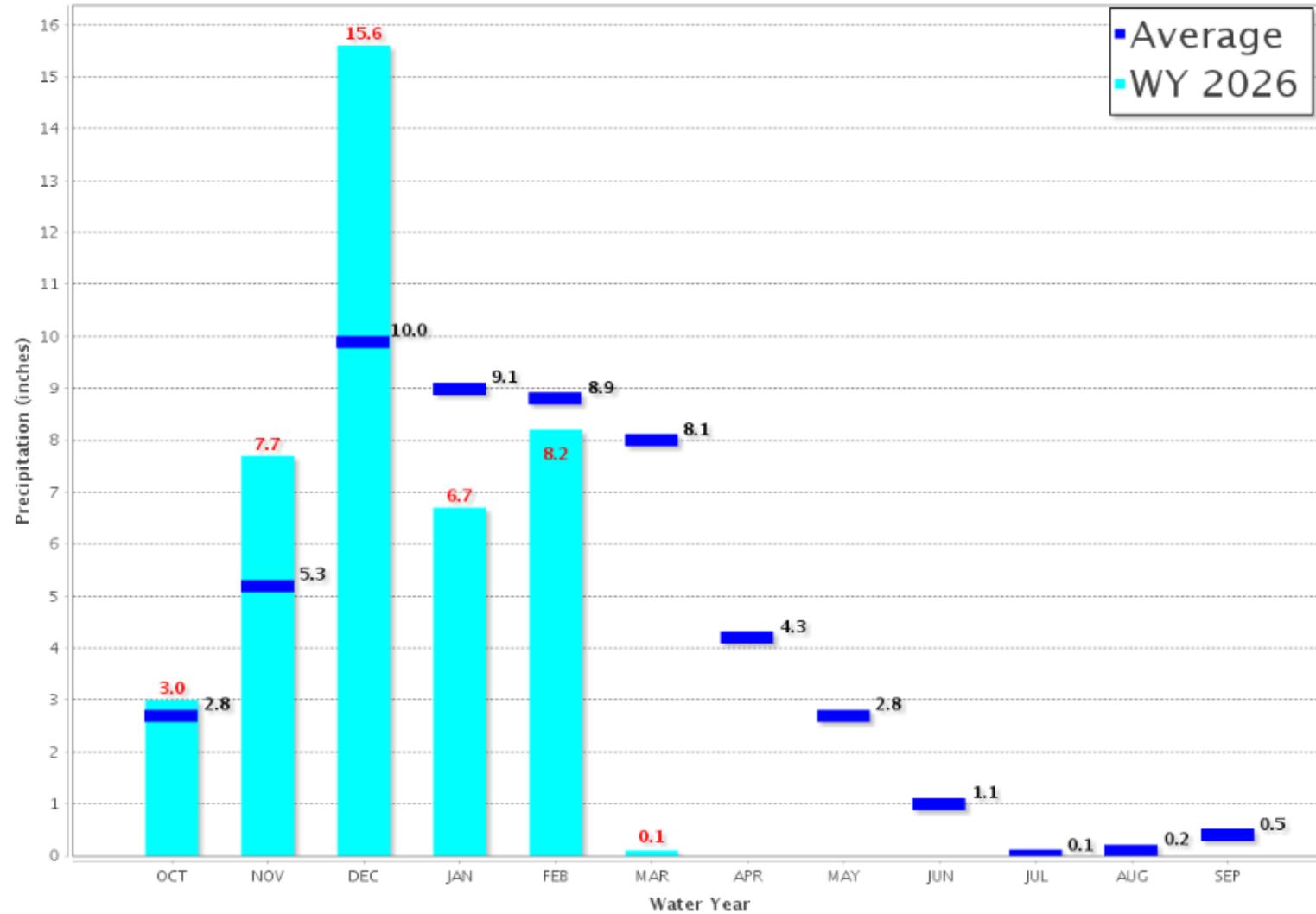


# Northern Sierra 8-Station

## Precipitation Index for Water Year 2026 - Updated on March 12, 2026 10:35 AM

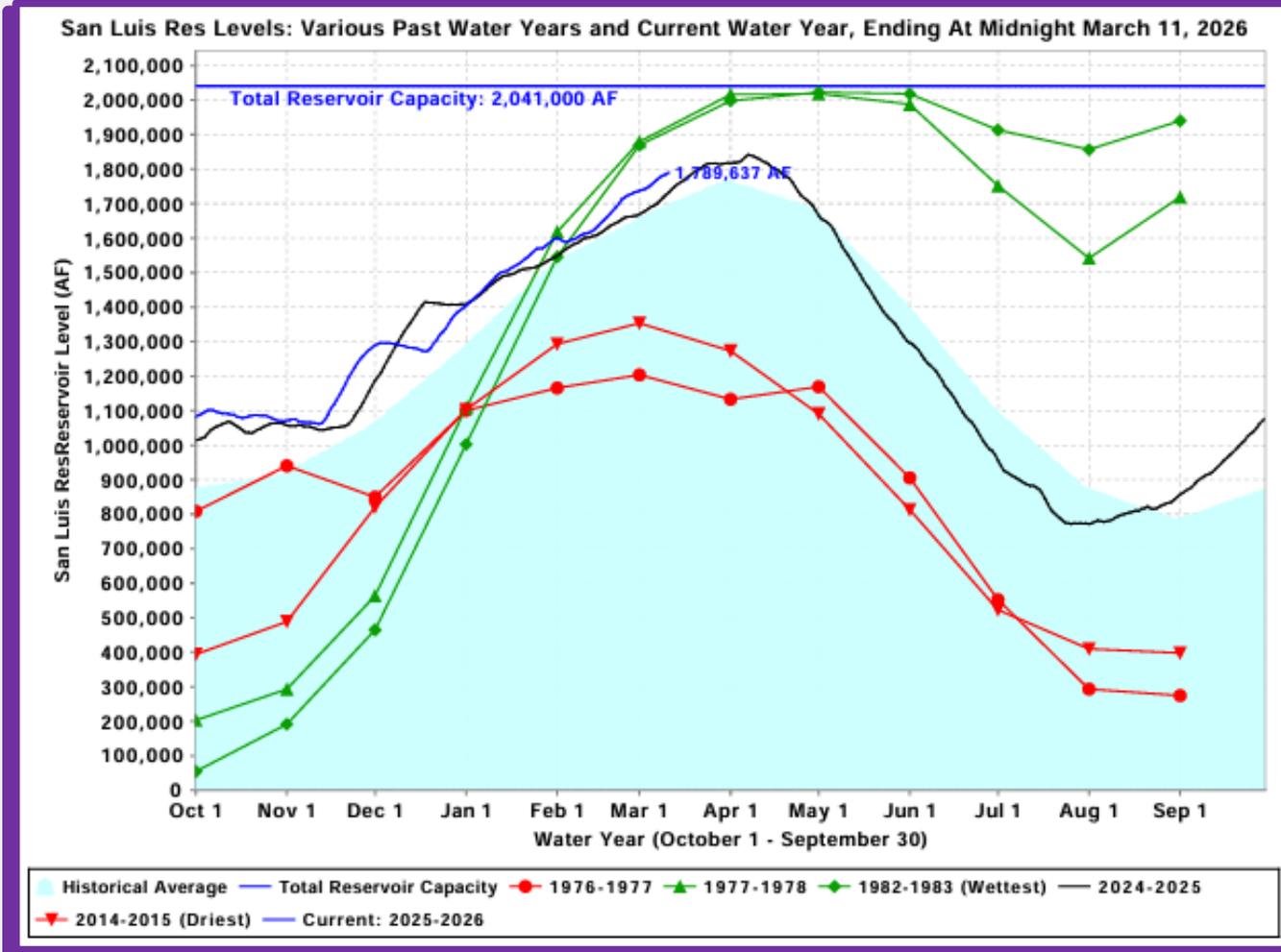
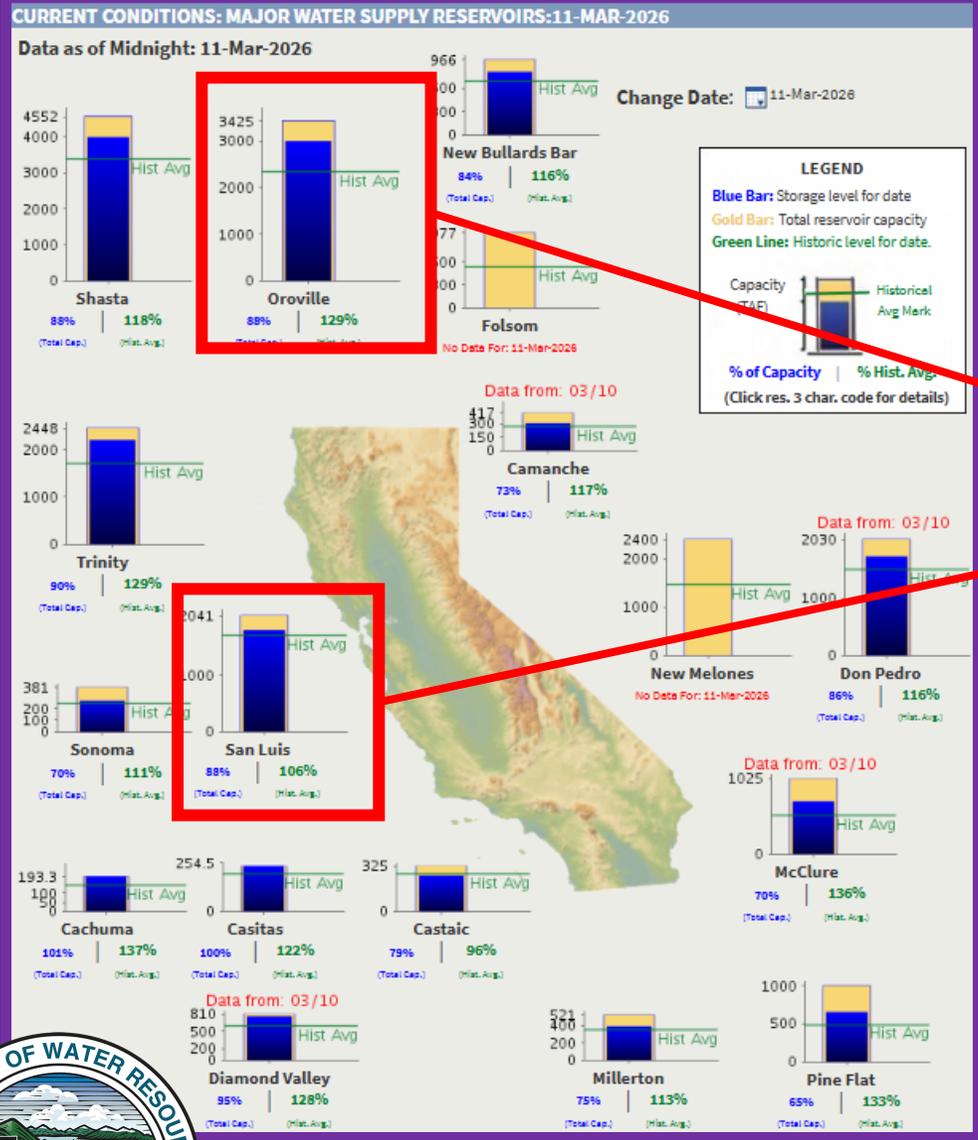
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Water Year Monthly totals are calculated based on Daily precipitation data from 12am to 12am PST



# State Precipitation Stations – North Sierra





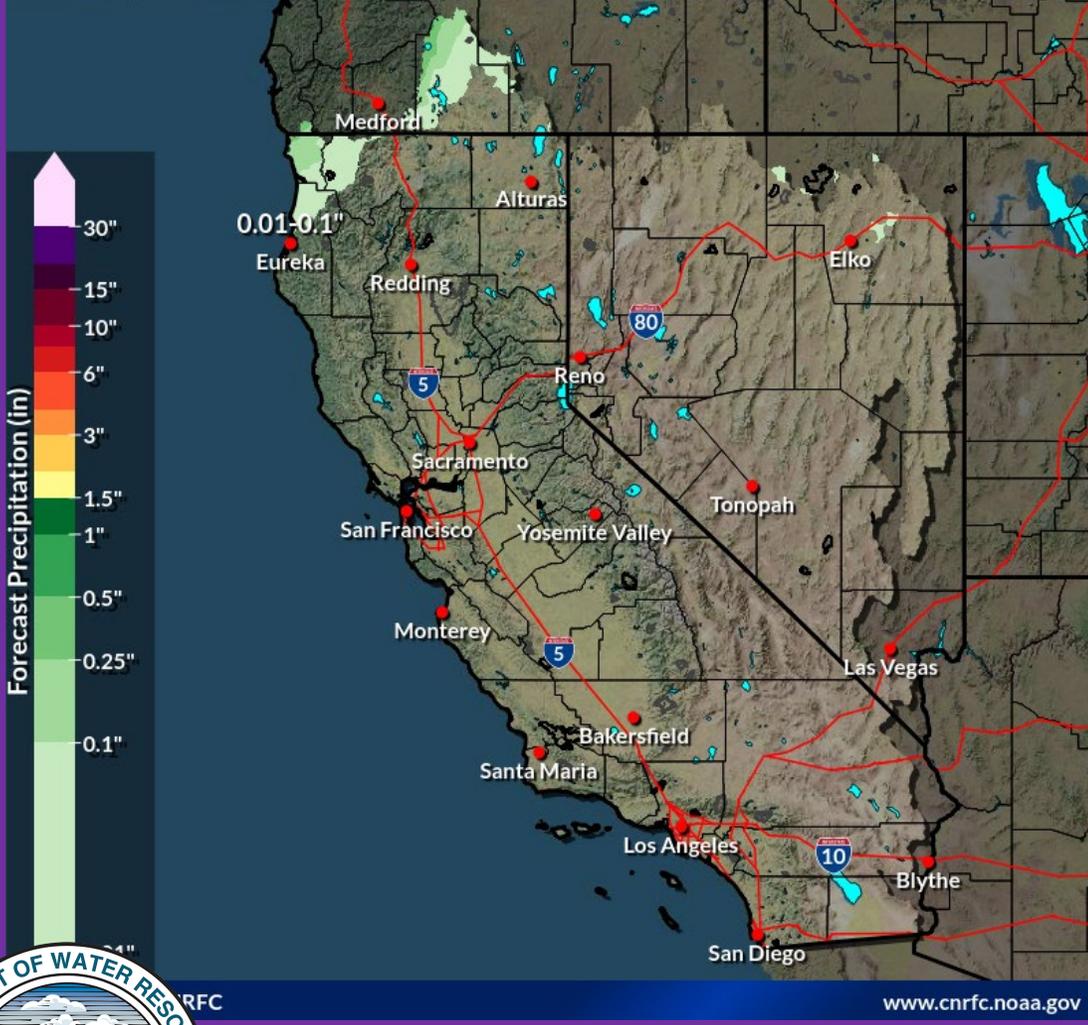
# Current Reservoir Conditions

# 6-Day Forecast Precipitation

River Forecast Center  
Sacramento, CA



Thu Mar 12, 2026 5 AM PDT to Wed Mar 18, 2026 5 AM PDT Issued Mar 12, 2026 6:08 AM PDT

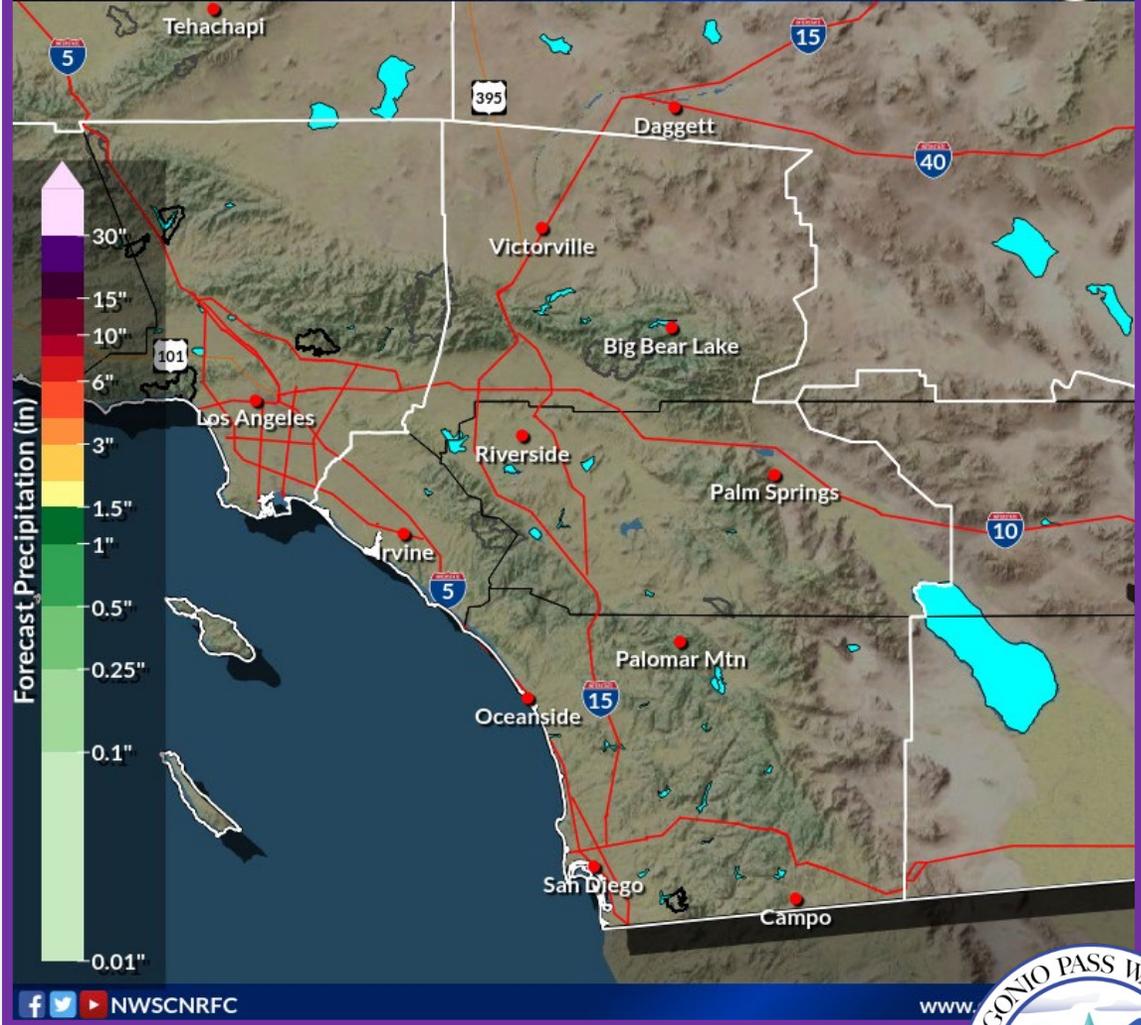


# 6-Day Forecast Precipitation

River Forecast Center  
Sacramento, CA



Thu Mar 12, 2026 5 AM PDT to Wed Mar 18, 2026 5 AM PDT Issued Mar 12, 2026 6:09 AM PDT



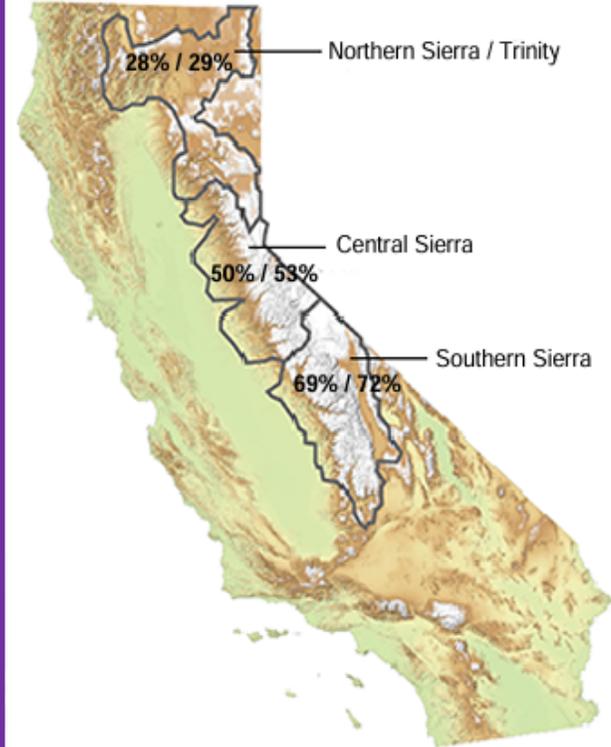
## Forecasted Hydrologic Conditions

File Footage: March 1, 2025



## CURRENT REGIONAL SNOWPACK FROM AUTOMATED SNOW SENSORS

% of April 1 Average / % of Normal for This Date



NORTH	
Data as of March 12, 2026	
Number of Stations Reporting	33
Average snow water equivalent (Inches)	7.6
Percent of April 1 Average (%)	28
Percent of normal for this date (%)	29

CENTRAL	
Data as of March 12, 2026	
Number of Stations Reporting	51
Average snow water equivalent (Inches)	14.1
Percent of April 1 Average (%)	50
Percent of normal for this date (%)	53

SOUTH	
Data as of March 12, 2026	
Number of Stations Reporting	26
Average snow water equivalent (Inches)	16.9
Percent of April 1 Average (%)	69
Percent of normal for this date (%)	72

STATE	
Data as of March 12, 2026	
Number of Stations Reporting	110
Average snow water equivalent (Inches)	12.8
Percent of April 1 Average (%)	48
Percent of normal for this date (%)	50

Statewide Average: 48% / 50%



# Snowpack Report

# SWP Allocation Timeline

## 2026 Table A Allocation Timeline

December 1, 2025: 10% allocation

January 29, 2026: 30% allocation

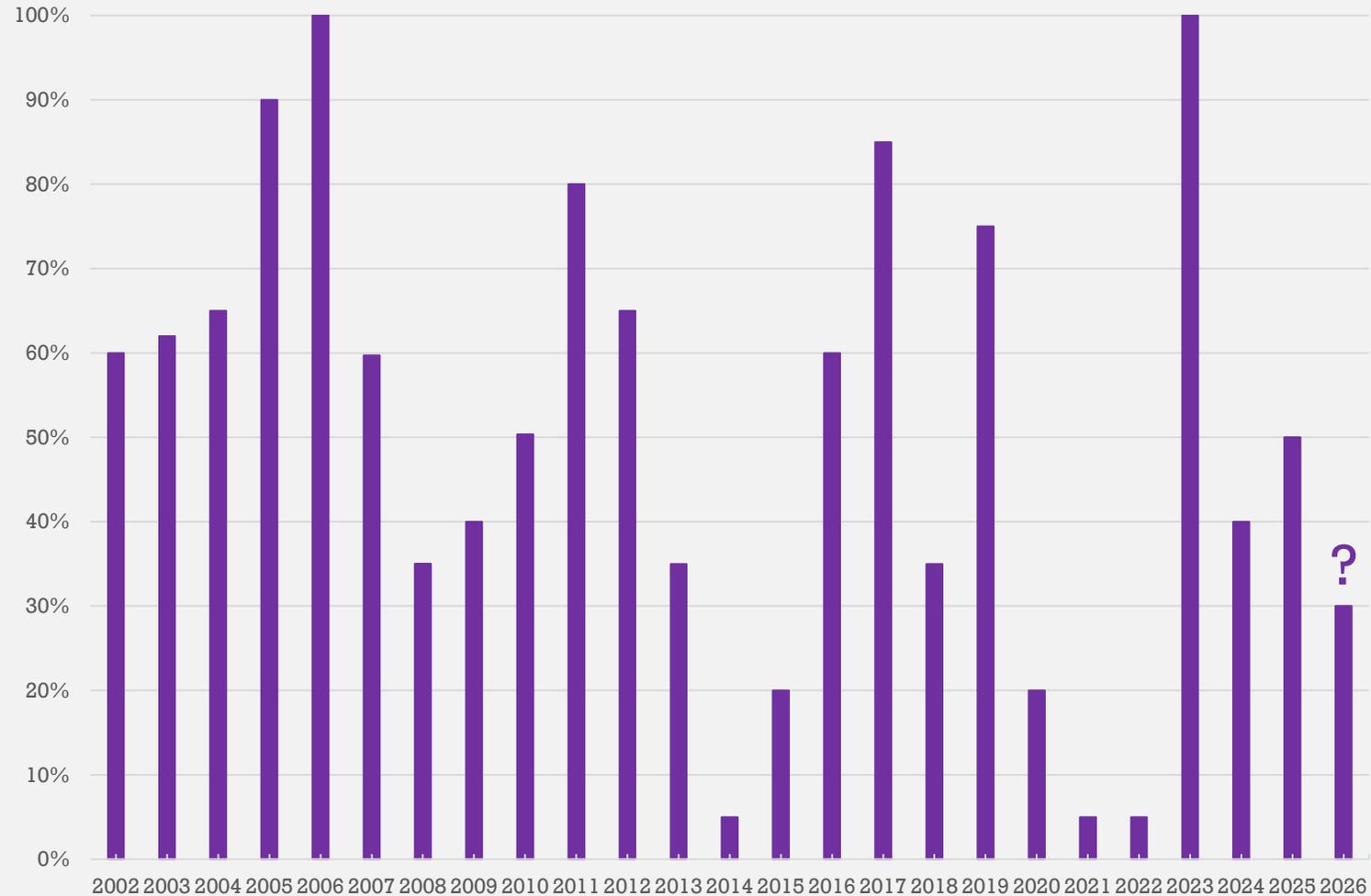
### SGPWA Portfolio @ 30%

Source	Total (AF)	Delivered
SWP – Carryover	50	✓
SWP – Table A	5,190	✓
SWP – Ventura	3,000	
Non-SWP - Nickel Water	1,700	
County of Napa Transfer	3,000	
<b>Total Available Supply</b>	<b>12,940</b>	

\*Note: Does not include:

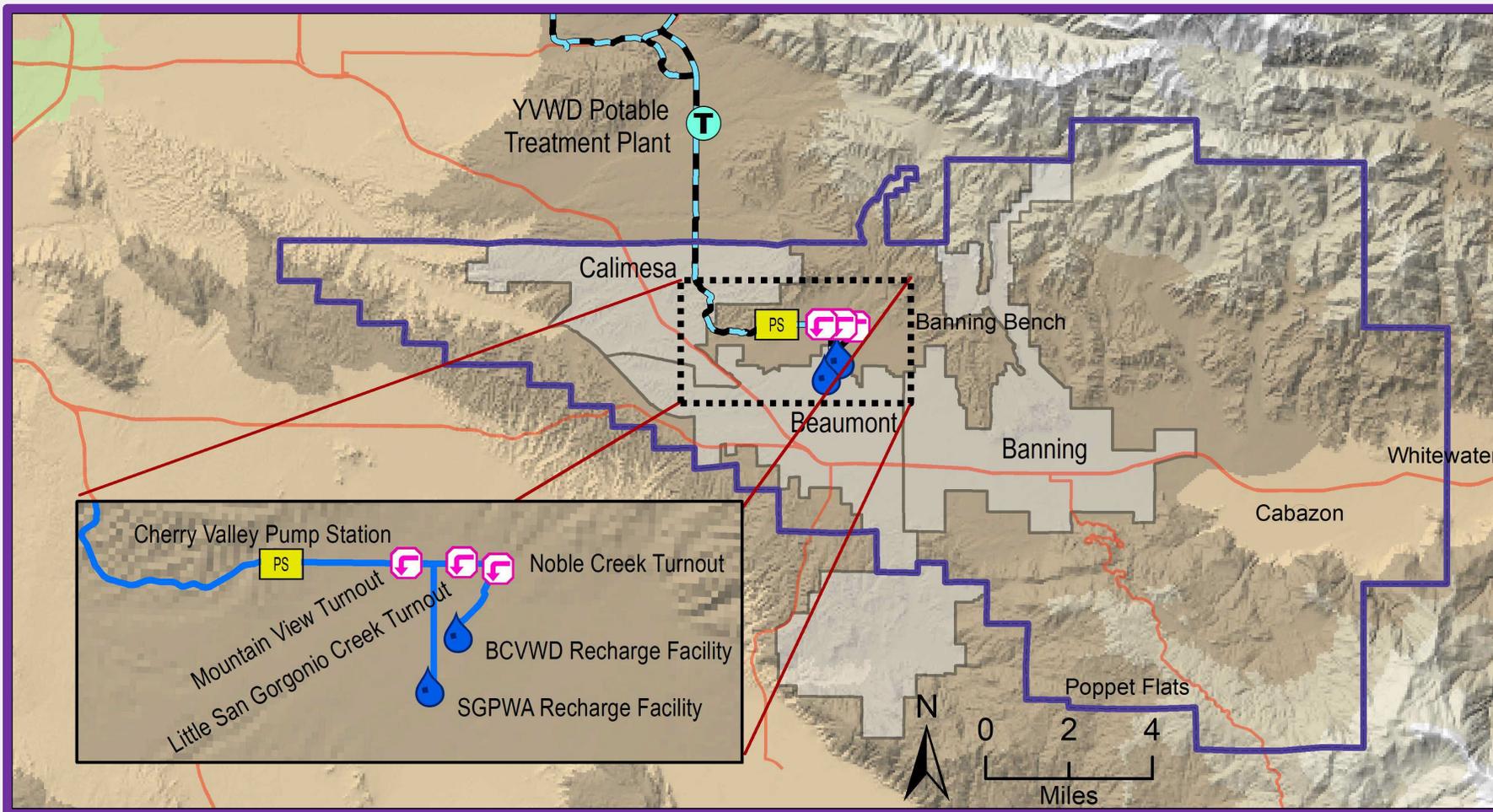
1. AVEK Return Water = 3,200 AF
2. Beaumont Basin Storage Account = 2,500 AF
3. SBVMWD Return Water = 4,250 AF

Historic SWP Allocations



# 2026 SWP Allocation & Portfolio Update





	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Recharge	1,327	1,881	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,208
Direct	0	8	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8

*\*Estimated*  
*\*From Local Storage*



# Local Deliveries 2026 (acre-feet)

Subject to Final Verification





Brookside East Recharge Facility



BCVWD Recharge Facilities



# March Recharge Photos

# State Water Project Fundamentals

## Carryover

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# An acre-foot is...

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- A unit of volume
- Equal to 325,000 gallons
- Enough water for approximately 3 households each year

# Previous State Water Project Fundamentals

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- SWP Overview
- Water Supply Contract
- Table A and Allocation

Carryover is last years unused  
Table A that can be stored in San  
Luis Reservoir

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Example: If the Agency has 10,000 acre-feet of Table A and delivers 9,000 acre-feet of Table A, then there is 1,000 acre-feet of unused Table A

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**1,000  
Acre-Feet  
of Unused  
Table A**



**1,000  
Acre-Feet  
Carryover**

The amount of water we can store in San Luis Reservoir as carryover depends on the final allocation:

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<b>Final Water Supply Allocation</b>	<b>Maximum Amount of Table A that can be Stored in San Luis as Carryover (Acre-Feet)</b>
50% or Less	4,325
65%	6,920
75% or More	8,650

Table A that we do not deliver  
this year is not lost, it just  
becomes Carryover and  
becomes part of next years  
supply

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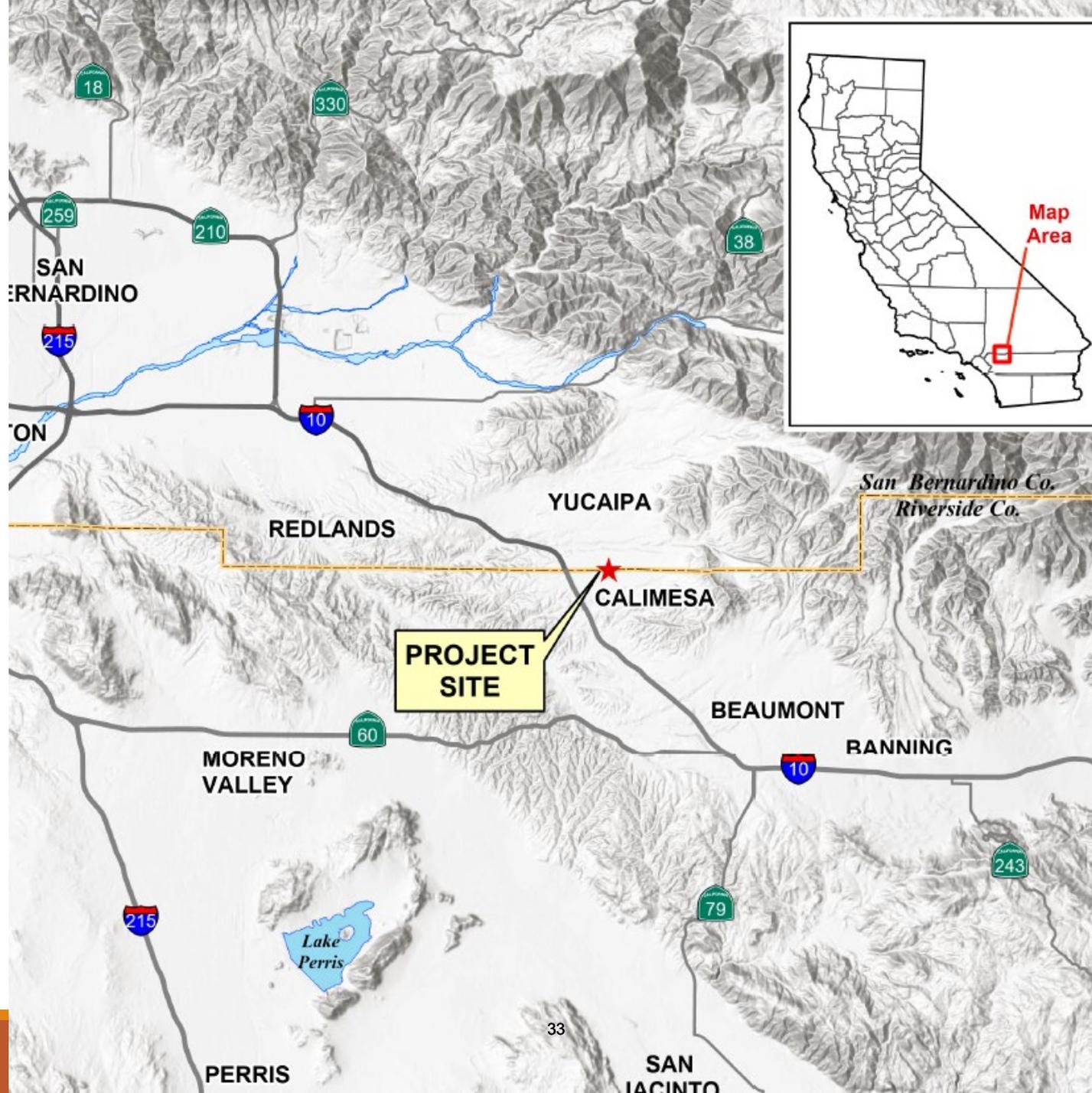
A construction site at sunset. In the foreground, there is a large pile of dark soil. In the middle ground, a large excavator is visible, and a worker in a yellow safety vest is standing near a piece of machinery. In the background, there are residential houses and trees. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue.

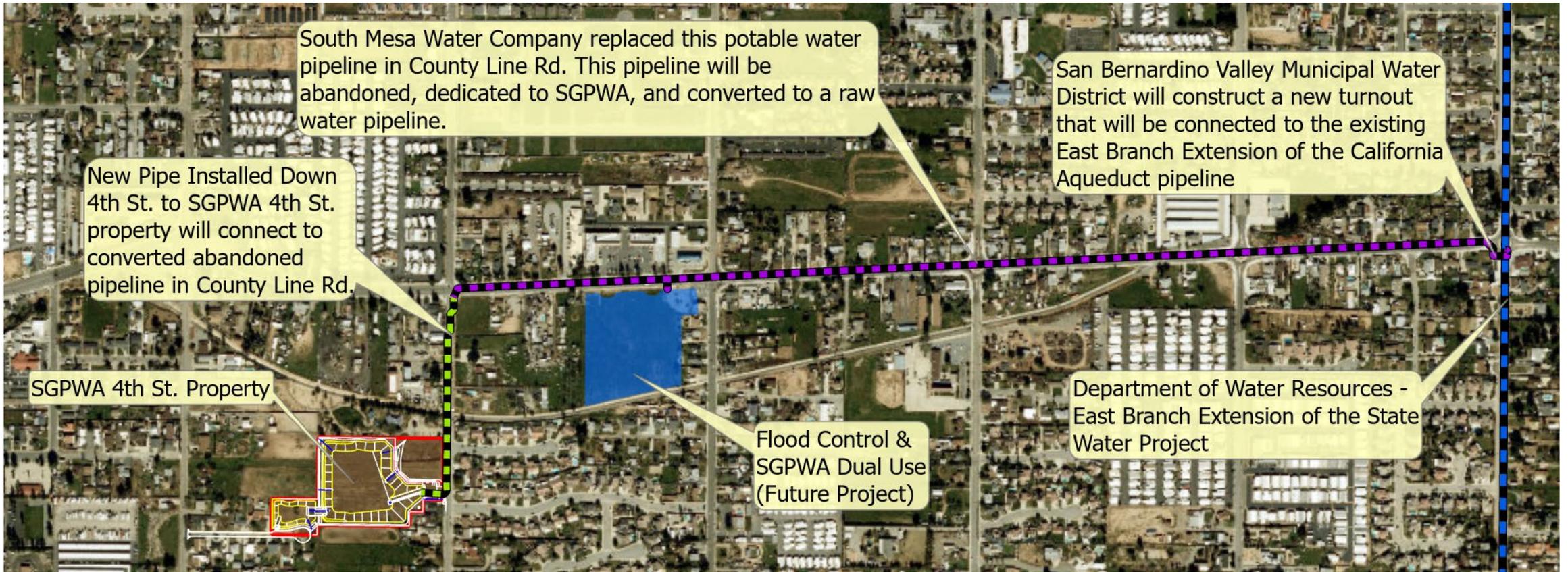
# County Line Rd Construction Update

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# County Line Rd Recharge Basin and Turnout Project

## Ongoing Activities

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SMWC 8-inch pipe relocation – Ongoing

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County Line Rd 14-inch pipeline rehab - Ongoing

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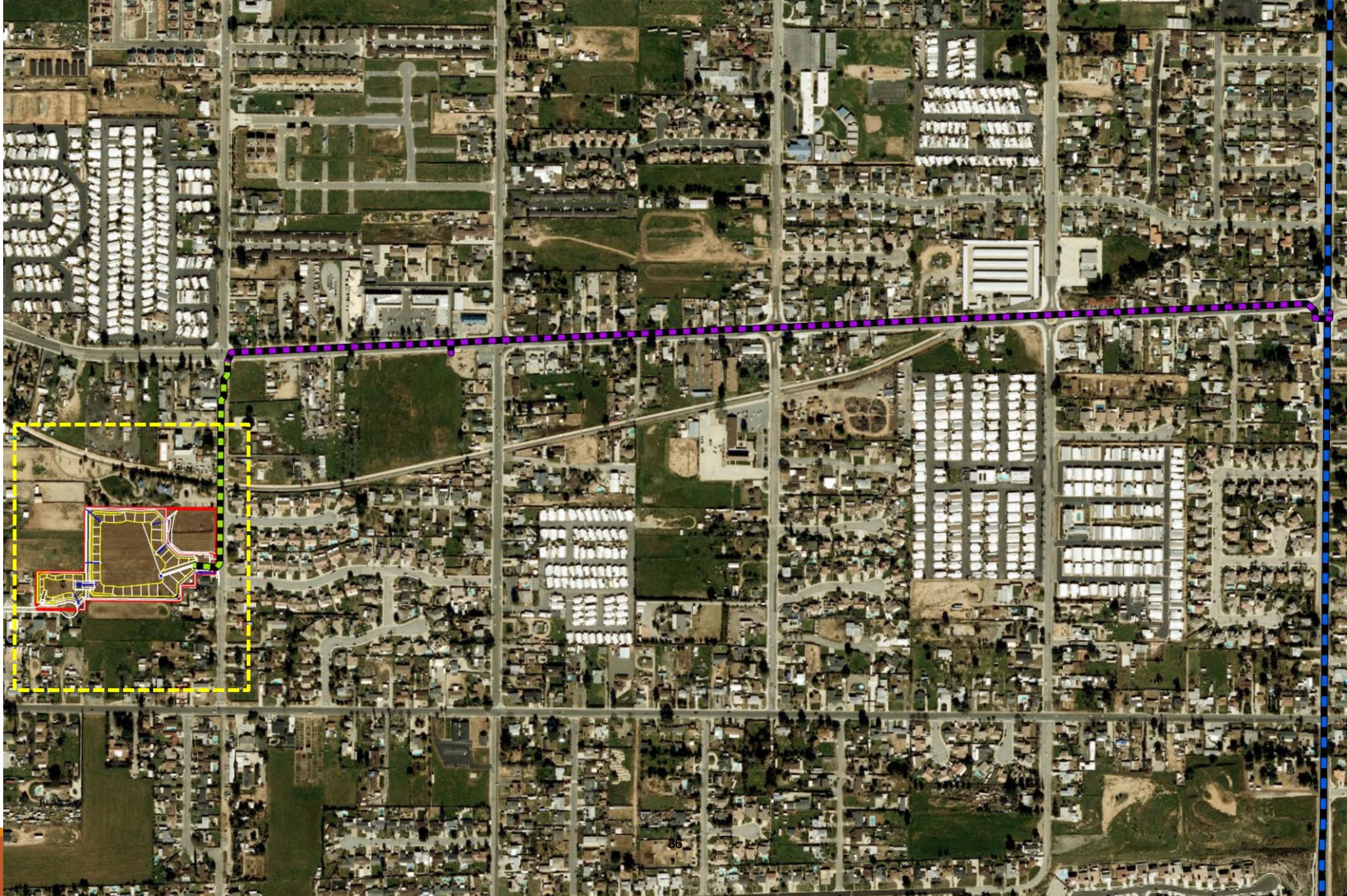
Basin excavation – Ongoing

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Flow Structure Forming – Ongoing

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Archaeo/Paleo/Tribal monitoring - Ongoing





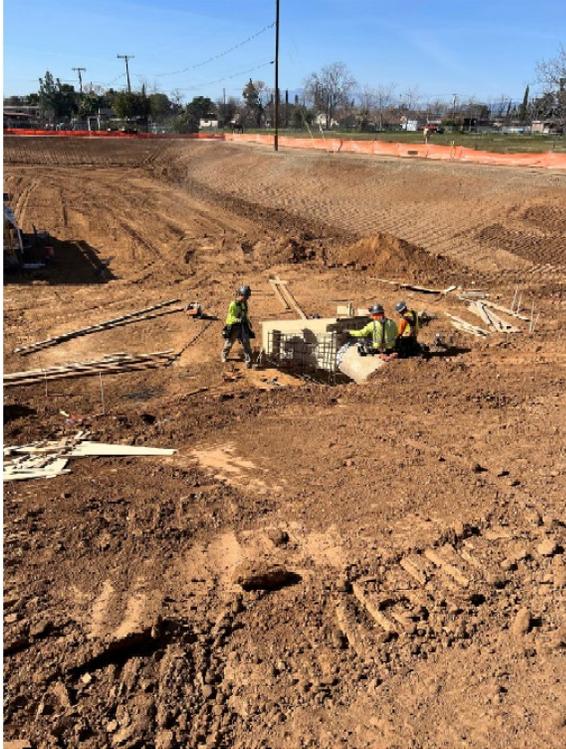
# Basin Excavation

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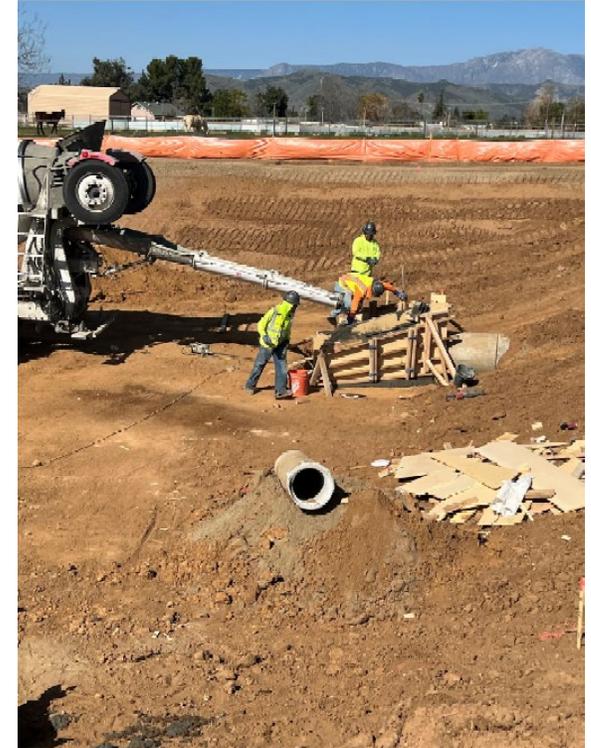
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# Flow Structure Forming

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# Flow Structure Forming

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# Archaeological Finds

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To be continued...

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# San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency

**DATE:** March 16, 2026  
**TO:** Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Lance Eckhart, General Manager  
**BY:** Emmett Campbell, Director of Water Resources  
**SUBJECT:** Consideration of Resolution No. 2026-01 Granting a Public Utility Easement to the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District for Heli-Hydrant Water Service

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Adopt Resolution No. 2026-01 approving a Grant of Easement for public utility purposes to the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District and authorizing the General Manager to execute the easement upon completion of the final legal descriptions and plat exhibits.

## **PREVIOUS CONSIDERATIONS**

- No Previous Considerations

## **BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS**

The San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency (SGPWA) received funding through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to construct six Heli-Hydrants throughout the SGPWA service area to support regional wildfire response. Two Heli-Hydrants were constructed by Cabazon Water District, two were constructed by High Valleys Water District, one will be constructed by South Mesa Water Company, and one will be constructed by SGPWA.

SGPWA’s Heli-Hydrant will be constructed on Agency-owned property immediately south of Brookside Avenue. Water service for the Heli-Hydrant will be provided by the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District (BCVWD). Because SGPWA does not own or operate the water system in this area, SGPWA has been coordinating with BCVWD to construct a connection to the existing BCVWD water main located in Brookside Avenue and extend the pipeline to the SGPWA property line. SGPWA will then connect the Heli-Hydrant facility to this water service.

BCVWD has identified the area as a potential location for a future groundwater production well. One potential well site is located on the SGPWA property on Brookside Avenue. To accommodate this potential future facility, BCVWD has requested that the connection to the water main be upsized and that a short pipeline stub-out be installed east of the SGPWA service connection to allow for future system expansion.

BCVWD will perform the construction work using District forces, and SGPWA will reimburse BCVWD for the portion of the work associated with the Heli-Hydrant connection.

Because a portion of the pipeline will be located on SGPWA property, an easement must be granted to BCVWD to allow construction, operation, and maintenance of the pipeline facilities. Accordingly, SGPWA will need to finalize and record an easement granting BCVWD access across the pipeline alignment on SGPWA property.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN NEXUS**

The Heli-Hydrant Installation Coordination helps advance various aspects of the Agency's Strategic Plan, including:

- Strategic Goal 1: Align with the current and future water landscape, supporting the region's long-term needs by diversifying the local supply portfolio and advancing water sustainability.
  - ✓ Objective 9 – Sustain infrastructure investments to provide a robust regional water distribution and storage system.
- Strategic Goal 2: Ensure a reliable delivery system that advances efficiency and resiliency.
  - ✓ Objective 9 – Invest emergency infrastructure such as heli-hydrants and backup generators to improve system reliability, support wildfire response efforts, and enhance the region's overall resilience to power outages and natural disasters.
- Strategic Goal 6: Maintain, foster, and expand collaboration with local, regional, state, tribal, and federal partners to develop strategic solutions to water supply challenges and opportunities.
  - ✓ Objective 1 – Coordinate with other agencies and organizations on grants and multi-partner project opportunities.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Minor administrative and legal costs will be incurred for the preparation and recordation of the easement.

### **ACTION**

Adopt Resolution No. 2026-01 approving a Grant of Easement for public utility purposes to the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District and authorizing the General Manager to execute the easement upon completion of the final legal descriptions and plat exhibits.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Resolution No. 2026-01 Granting a Public Utility Easement to the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District for Heli-Hydrant Water Service

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY  
GRANTING AN EASEMENT FOR PUBLIC UTILITY PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District (“BCVWD”) requires rights for ingress and ingress together with an easement to certain real property owned by the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency (“Agency”) for the purpose of installation and maintenance of a pipeline as part of a heli-hydrant project; and

WHEREAS, Agency proposes to execute a Grant of Easement ("Easement") in favor of the BCVWD (a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment "A") for installation, access, operation, inspection, repair, replacement, maintenance, and related appurtenant activities; and

WHEREAS, the legal descriptions and plat depictions of the underlying property and easement are still being finalized for the Easement (Exhibits “A”, “B” and “C” to the Easement), therefore, the attached Easement is presented in its substantially final form; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors ("Board") of the Agency desires to approve the substantially final form of the Easement, authorize the General Manager to execute the Easement once Exhibits A, B and C are finalized, and authorize any nonmaterial changes to the legal descriptions, plats and easement alignment of the Easement as approved by the General Manager and legal counsel.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency finds and determines as follows, that:

1. The substantially final form of the Easement is approved; and
2. Lance Eckhart, the Agency’s General Manager, is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Easement on behalf of the Agency once Exhibits A, B and C to the Easement are finalized; and
3. General Manager and legal counsel are hereby authorized to make any nonmaterial changes to the legal description and easement boundaries that are deemed necessary for execution of the Easement and are consistent with the project purpose; and
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Passed and adopted by the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

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Robert Ybarra  
President of the Board of Directors  
San Geronio Pass Water Agency

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Maricela V. Cabral, CMC, CPMC  
Deputy Board Secretary  
San Geronio Pass Water Agency

Attachment A: Grant of Easement Between San Geronio Pass Water Agency and Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District

Attachment "A"

Grant of Easement

RECORDING REQUESTED BY AND  
WHEN RECORDED RETURN TO:

Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District  
560 Magnolia Avenue  
Beaumont, California 92223  
Attention: Dan Jagers

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(SPACE ABOVE THIS LINE FOR RECORDER'S USE)

This Agreement is recorded at the request and for the benefit of Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District and is entitled to be recorded without fee or tax (Govt. Code, § 27383; Rev. & Tax Code, § 11922).

**GRANT OF EASEMENT**  
**(Permanent Easement to Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District)**

APN: 404-010-016

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FOR VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, San Geronio Pass Water Agency ("**Grantor**") does hereby grant to Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District ("**Grantee**") a permanent non-exclusive easement ("**Permanent Easement**") in, over, on, under, across, and along a portion of certain real property located in the City of Beaumont, County of Riverside, State of California, with Assessor's Parcel Number APN 404-010-016, legally described in Exhibit "C," attached hereto and by this reference made part hereof (the "**Property**"). The portion of the Property whereon Grantee's Permanent Easement is located is referred to herein as the "**Easement Area**" and is legally described and depicted in Exhibits "A" and "B," attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

The Permanent Easement is for installation, access, operation, inspection, repair, replacement, maintenance, and related appurtenant activities at any time and from time to time, a water pipeline and related facilities (collectively the "**Grantee Facilities**") within the Easement Area. The Grantee Facilities authorized under this Permanent Easement are limited to those required for provision of water service and include, but are not limited to, pipelines, markers, air valves, manholes, valves, meters, surge control devices, test stations, buried communication devices, buried electrical conduits and devices, pull boxes, and all related incidents, fixtures, utility control equipment, and appurtenances.

The Permanent Easement is subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. Grantee, including its officers, employees, agents and contractors, shall have the non-exclusive right of ingress and egress to and from the Easement Area for all purposes associated with servicing, maintaining, or constructing Grantee's Facilities. Grantee's ingress and egress rights include the right for personnel, vehicles, and construction equipment to, at any time, traverse over and along the Easement Area as well as the right to use lanes, drives, rights-of-way, and roadways within the Property which now exist or which hereinafter may be constructed.

Grantee may use and temporarily place and operate tools, equipment, machinery, and materials on the Easement Area.

2. This Permanent Easement is subject to all existing fencing, canals, irrigation ditches, laterals, pipelines, roads, electrical transmission facilities, and communication lines existing on the date this easement is granted, and all future uses which do not directly or indirectly interfere with or endanger Grantee's exercise of the rights described herein. Grantee acknowledges that other utilities, including but not limited to electrical, communications and water, already exist within the Easement Area and Grantee shall ensure that its activities within the Easement Area do not disrupt or damage such other utilities.
3. Grantor reserves and retains the right to make any use of the Easement Area, including but not limited to surface and subsurface areas.
4. Grantor agrees that no buildings or similar structures shall be installed, constructed, erected, placed or maintained in any portion of the Easement Area. Grantor shall have the right to erect and maintain fences and gates on and around the Easement Area provided that Grantee is provided access to any such gates. Grantor shall not conduct, or permit others to conduct, activities within or proximate to the Easement Area that could result in damage to Grantee's Facilities. Such activities include, but are not limited to, grading operations, ripping, stockpiling, or the use of explosives.
5. Grantee shall have the right to clear and keep clear from the Easement Area any trees, brush, or other vegetation or flora, including the roots thereof, located within the Easement Area.
6. Grantee shall not install fences or gates in or around the Easement Area.
7. Grantee shall have the right of entry over the Easement Area for future construction, reconstruction, operation, repair or maintenance of Grantee's Facilities as set forth herein.
8. Except in emergencies, Grantee shall provide Grantor at least 24 hours written notice prior to engaging in any construction, maintenance, or other activities with the potential to interfere with Grantor's use of the Easement Area, and Grantee shall coordinate with Grantor to minimize any such interference.
9. Grantee shall promptly, and its sole cost and expense, repair, replace, and/or return to the same condition as existed prior to the disturbance any portion of the Easement Area that Grantee may disturb in connection with construction or maintenance of Grantee's Facilities.
10. The covenants and conditions of this Grant of Easement shall run with the land and shall be binding on the successors and assigns of Grantor and Grantee and shall inure to the benefit of Grantee and its successors and assigns.
11. Any notices relating to this Grant of Easement shall be given in writing and shall be deemed sufficiently given and served for all purposes when delivered personally, by generally recognized overnight courier service, by facsimile (provided that sender retains a printed confirmation of delivery to the facsimile number provided below), or three (3) days after deposit in the United States mail certified or registered, return receipt requested, with postage prepaid, addressed as set forth below:

**ADDRESS OF GRANTOR:**

San Geronio Pass Water Agency  
1210 Beaumont Ave  
Beaumont, CA 92223

**ADDRESS OF GRANTEE:**

Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District  
560 Magnolia Ave  
Beaumont, CA 92223

Either party may change its address by written notice to the other given in the manner set forth above.

12. All Exhibits attached hereto are incorporated herein and made a part hereof as if fully set forth.

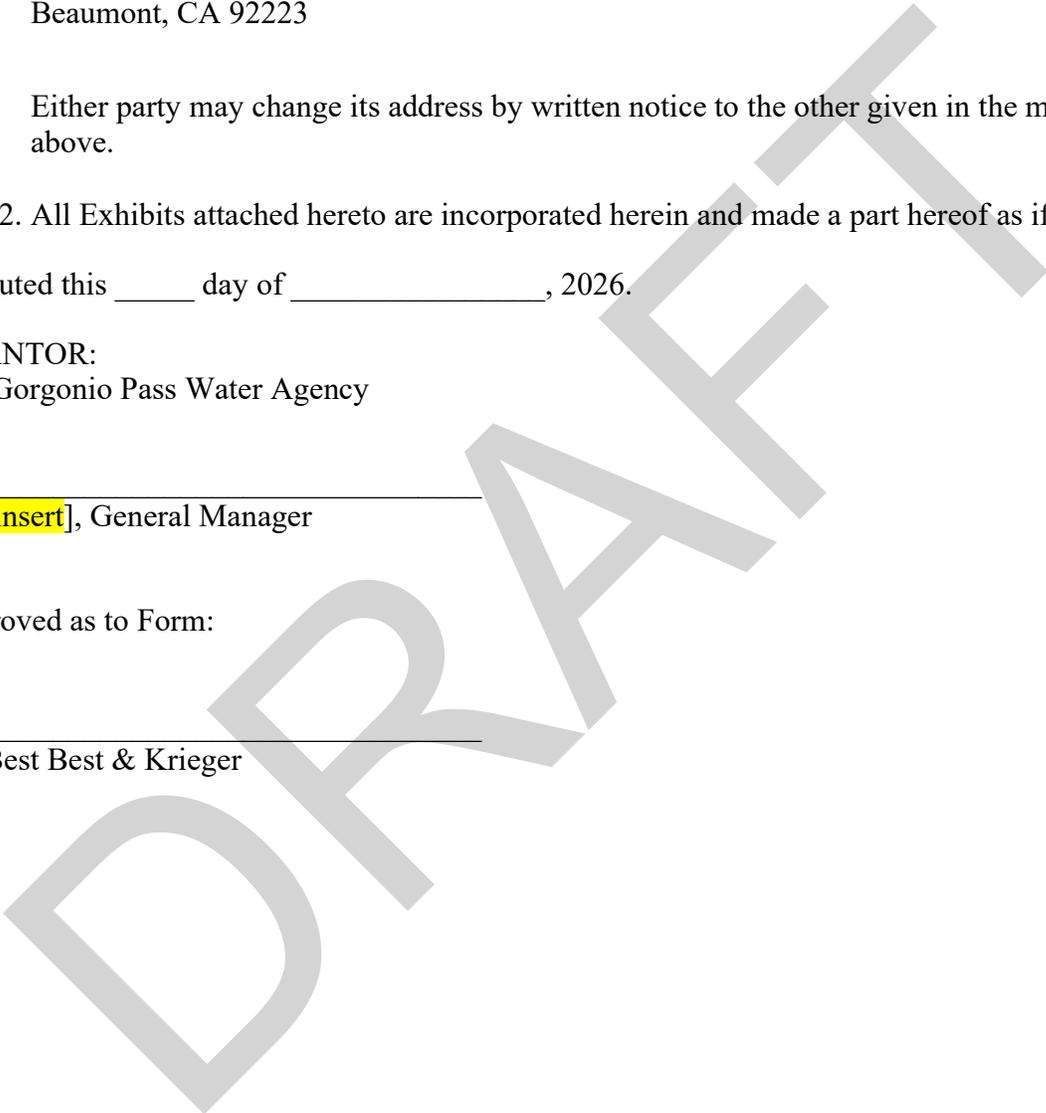
Executed this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

GRANTOR:  
San Geronio Pass Water Agency

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
[insert], General Manager

Approved as to Form:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Best Best & Krieger





GRANTEE:  
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District

The foregoing Grant of Easement from San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency, to Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District is hereby:

APPROVED:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
[insert]

DRAFT

**CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE  
GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 27281**

This is to certify that the interest in real property conveyed by the grant dated \_\_\_\_\_ from San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency to Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District, is hereby accepted by order of the Board on \_\_\_\_\_ and grantee consents to the recordation thereof by its duly authorized officer.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

DRAFT

**EXHIBIT "A"**  
**WATERLINE EASEMENT**  
**LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

BEING A PORTION OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 2 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST, SAN BERNARDINO BASE AND MERIDIAN, LYING WITHIN THE CITY OF BEAUMONT, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

**COMMENCING** AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER SAID SECTION 34, ALSO BEING ON THE CENTERLINE OF BROOKSIDE AVENUE;

**THENCE** NORTH 89°57'28" EAST, ALONG SAID CENTERLINE OF BROOKSIDE AVENUE, A DISTANCE OF 147.96 FEET;

**THENCE** LEAVING SAID CENTERLINE, SOUTH 0°02'32" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 44.00 FEET TO THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF BROOKSIDE AVENUE, AS DESCRIBED BY THAT IRREVOCABLE RIGHT-OF-WAY OFFER OF DEDICATION, RECORDED FEBRUARY 7, 2013, AS DOCUMENT NO. 2013-006792, OFFICIAL RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY, FOR THE **TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING**;

**THENCE** NORTH 89°57'28" EAST, ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 85.00 FEET;

**THENCE** LEAVING SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, SOUTH 0°02'32" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET TO A POINT ON A LINE PARALLEL WITH AND DISTANT 64.00 FEET SOUTHERLY, MEASURED AT RIGHT ANGLES FROM THE CENTERLINE OF SAID BROOKSIDE AVENUE;

**THENCE** ALONG SAID PARALLEL LINE, SOUTH 89°57'28" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 85.00 FEET;

**THENCE** NORTH 0°02'32" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET TO THE **TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING**;

CONTAINING 1700 SQUARE FEET, MORE OR LESS.

AS SHOWN ON EXHIBIT "B" AND BY THIS REFERENCE MADE A PART THEREOF

PREPARED UNDER MY SUPERVISION

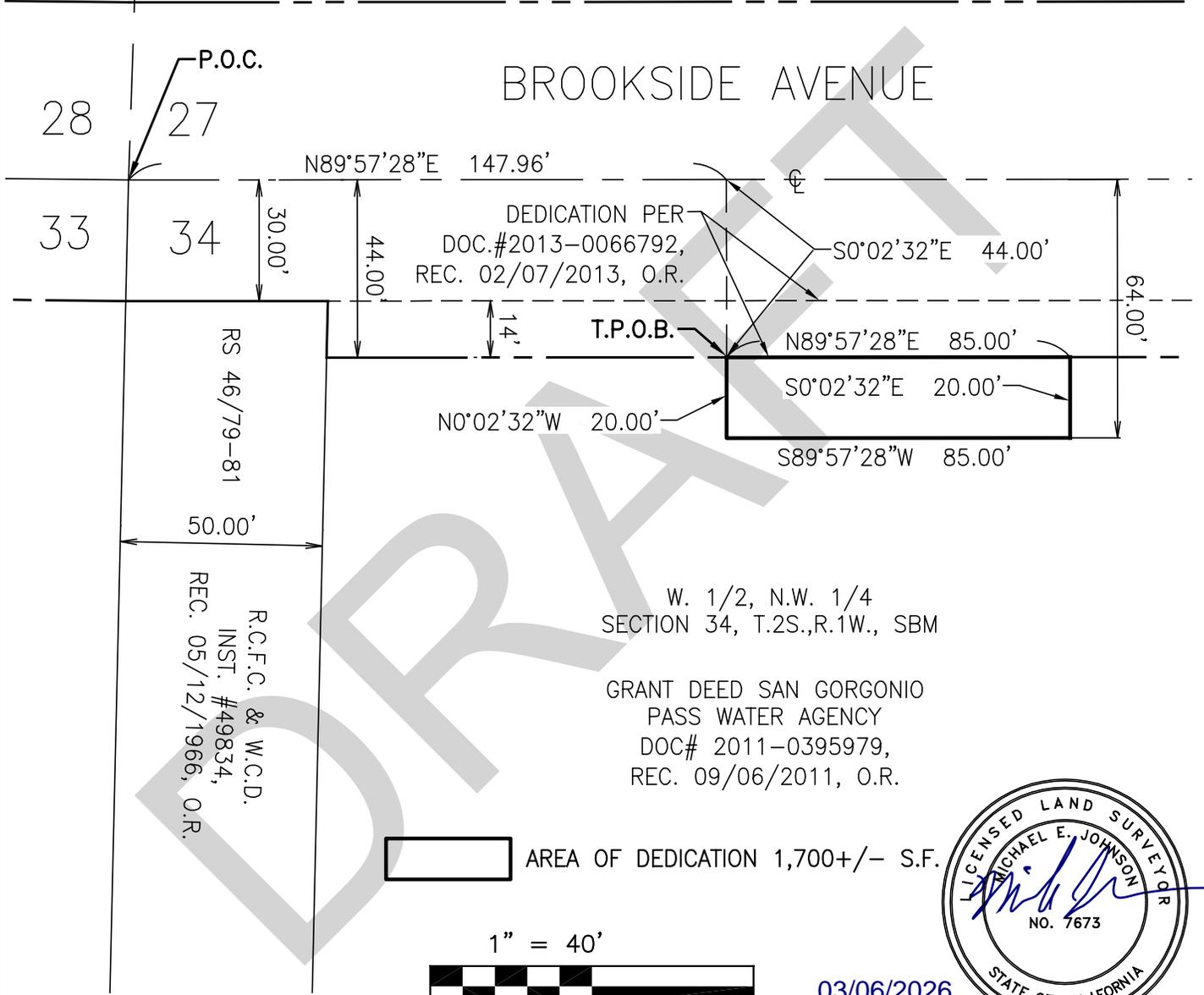
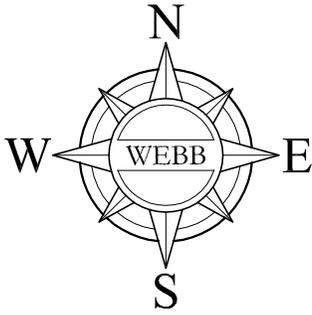
  
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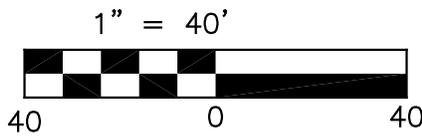
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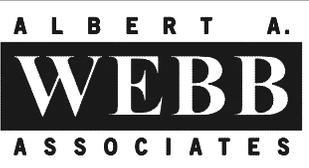


AREA OF DEDICATION 1,700+/- S.F.



03/06/2026

SEC. 34, T2S, R1W, SBM



BEAUMONT CHERRY VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

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THIS PLAT IS AN AID IN LOCATING THE PARCEL(S) DESCRIBED IN THE PRECEDING DOCUMENT. ALL PRIMARY CALLS ARE LOCATED IN THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION.

SHEET 1 OF 1

W.O.  
25-0422

SCALE: 1"=40'

DRWN BY MEJ  
CHKD BY JKA

DATE 3/05/2026  
DATE 3/06/2026

SUBJECT: BCVWD EASEMENT

**EXHIBIT “C”**  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE OVERALL PARCEL

THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 2 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST, SAN BERNARDINO BASE AND MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF;

**EXCEPTING** THAT PORTION WITHIN THE 100-FOOT STRIP OF LAND FOR BEAUMONT AVENUE, AS DESCRIBED IN DECREE OF CONDEMNATION DATED APRIL 22, 1935, A CERTIFIED COPY OF WHICH WAS RECORDED APRIL 24, 1935 IN BOOK 230, PAGE 175 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA;

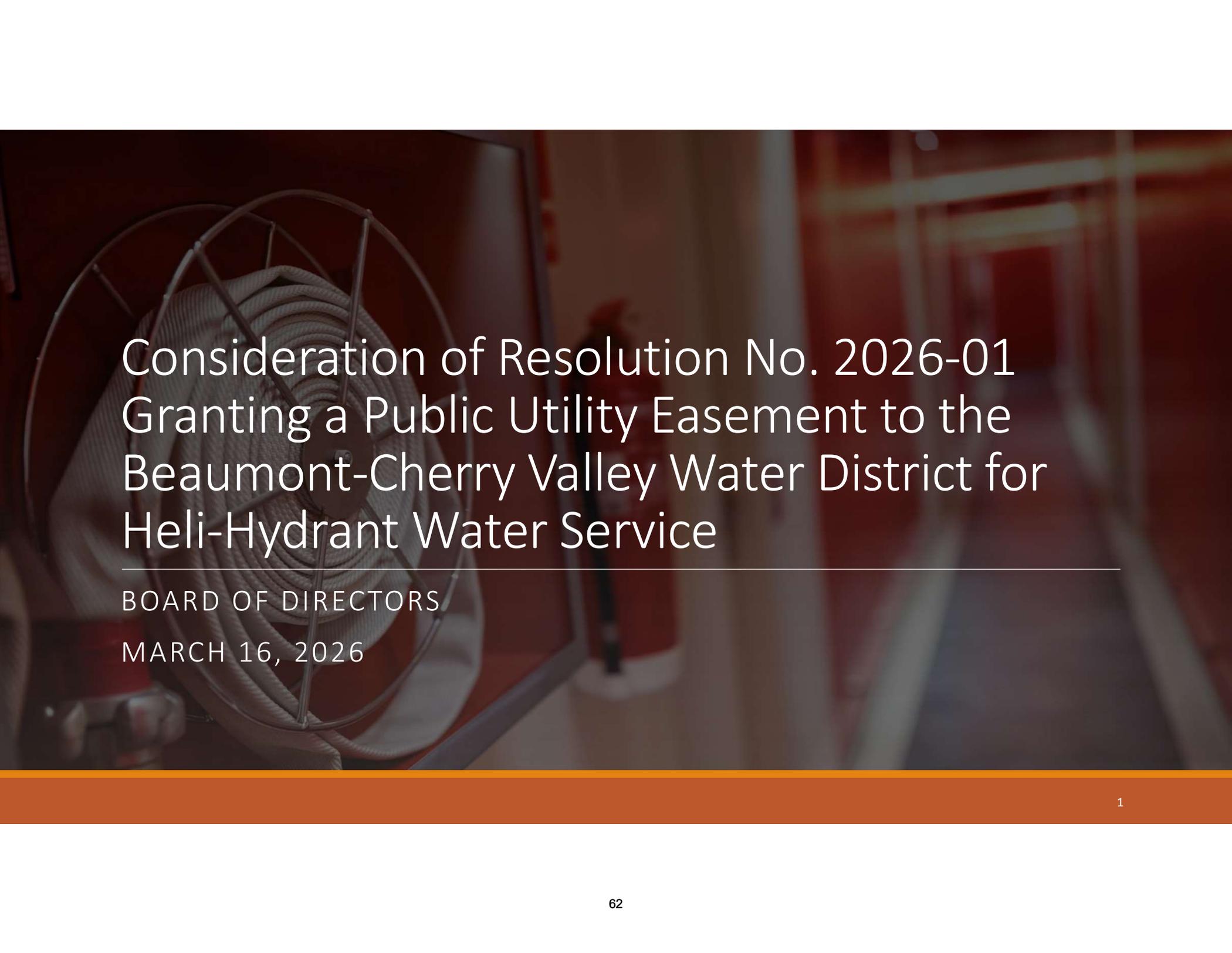
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**ALSO EXCEPTING** THAT PORTION SHOWN AS PARCEL 5020-5 AS SHOWN BY RECORD OF SURVEY ON FILE IN BOOK 51, PAGES 88 THROUGH 98 OF RECORDS OF SURVEY, RECORDS OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, AS CONVEYED TO THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BY CORPORATION GRANT DEED RECORDED NOVEMBER 15, 1977 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 227541 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA;

**ALSO EXCEPTING** THEREFROM THAT PORTION AS CONVEYED TO THE BEAUMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BY DEED RECORDED MAY 12, 1994 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 197011 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA.

**ALSO EXCEPTING** THEREFROM THAT PORTION AS CONVEYED TO THE CITY OF BEAUMONT, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION AND PUBLIC AGENCY BY DEED RECORDED APRIL 24, 2009 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 0202955 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA.

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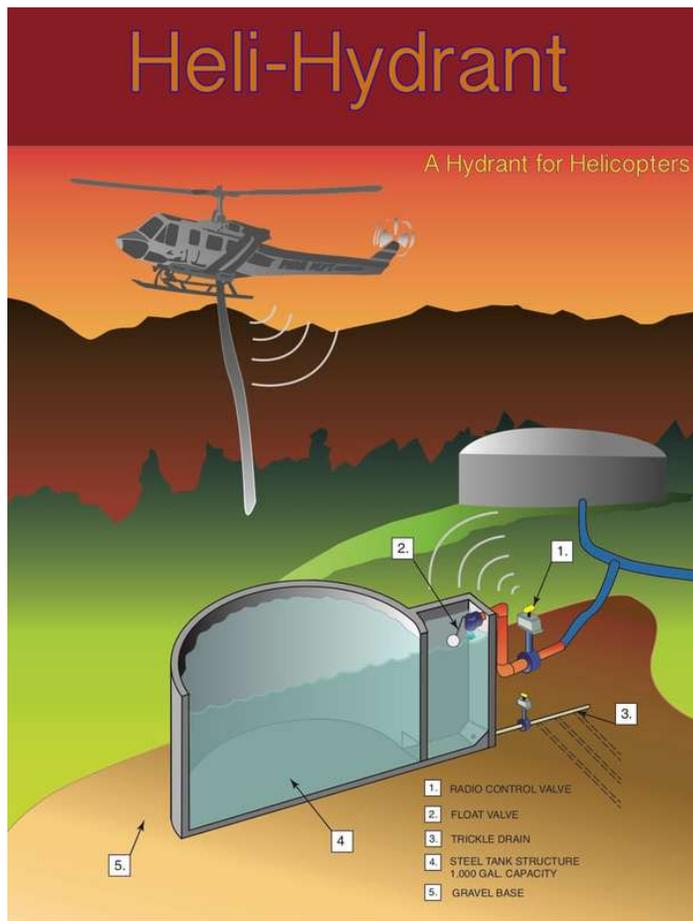


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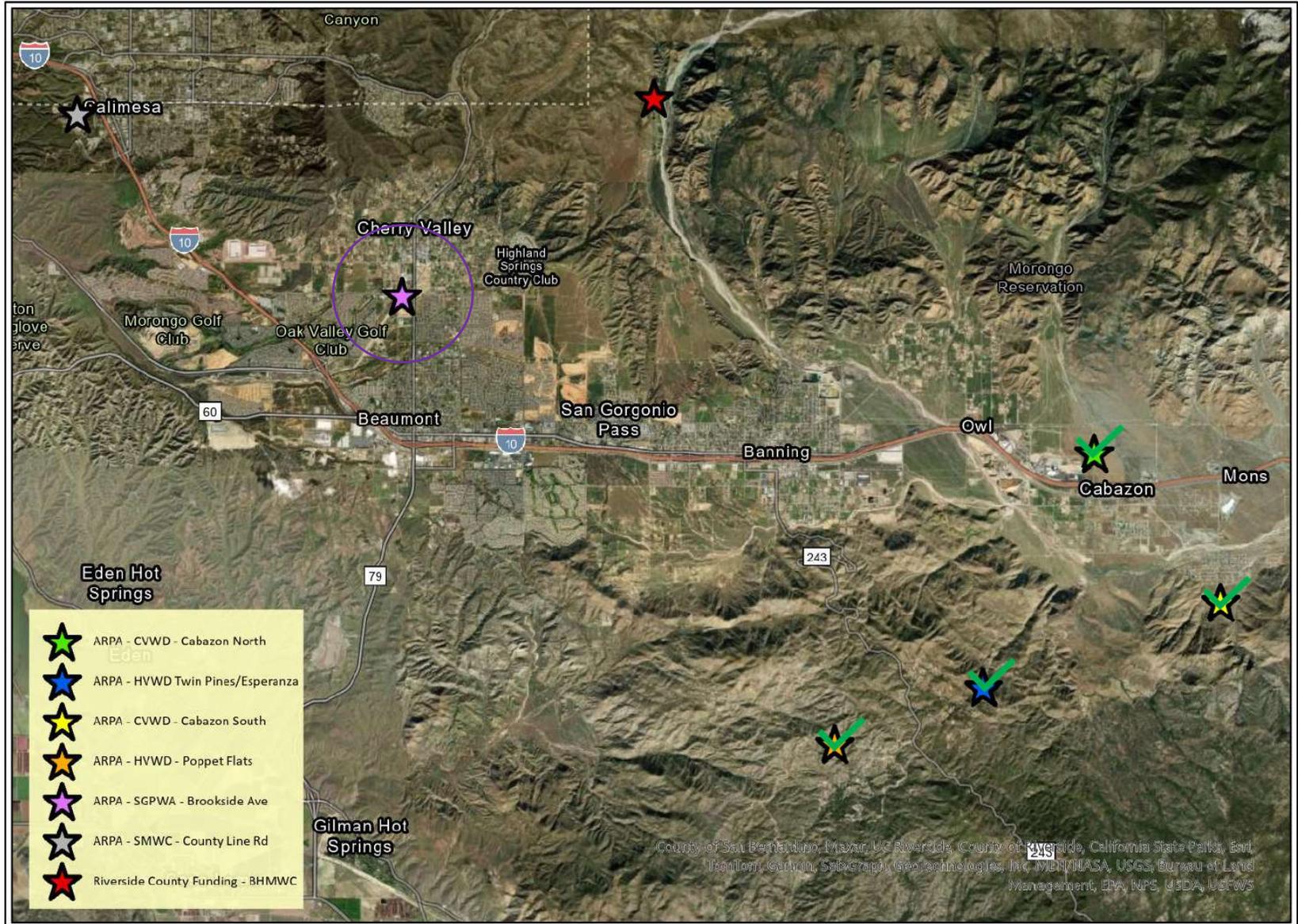
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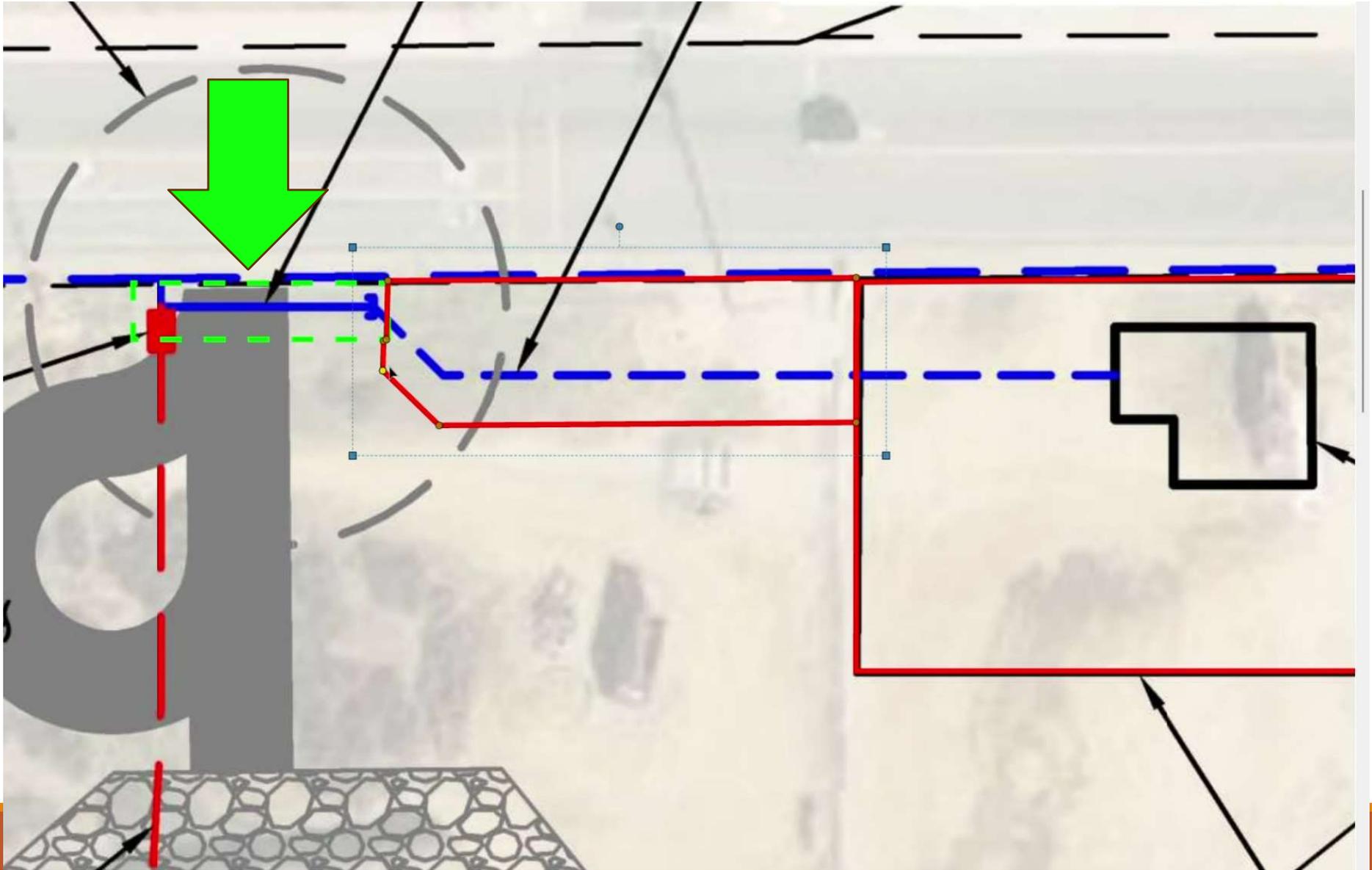
## In order to combat wildfires, Heli-Hydrants will be constructed in strategic locations in the San Gorgonio Pass

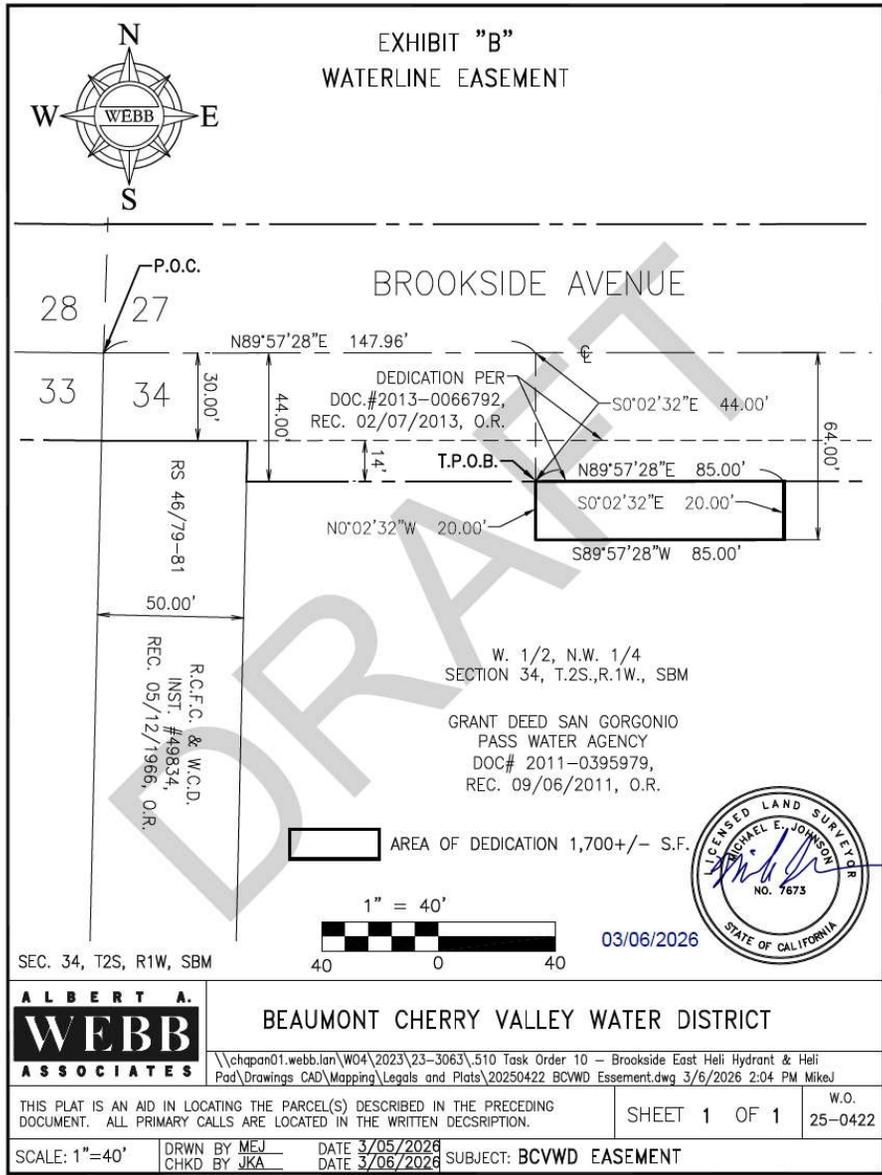
- Six locations spanning from Calimesa to Cabazon
- Utilizing existing water infrastructure
- Provides wildfire protection north and south of the I-10
- County Board of Supervisor Yxstian Gutierrez secured \$1.8M in ARPA funds for the construction of six Heli-Hydrant systems
- Four of the six ARPA funded sites are completed
- The final two sites are anticipated on completing in Q2 2026











# Recommendation

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Adopt Resolution No. 2026-01 approving a Grant of Easement for public utility purposes to the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District and authorizing the General Manager to execute the easement upon completion of the final legal descriptions and plat exhibits.

# San Geronio Pass Water Agency

**DATE:** March 16, 2026  
**TO:** Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Lance Eckhart, General Manager  
**BY:** Maricela V. Cabral, Exec. Asst./Clerk of the Board  
**SUBJECT:** **Adopt Ordinance No. 19 Establishing New Times For Board Meetings and Affirming the Location of Board Meetings, and Rescind Ordinance No. 18**

## RECOMMENDATION

Discuss and consider action to adopt Ordinance No. 19, establishing revised Board meeting times and affirming the location of Board meetings, and Rescind Ordinance No. 18, thereby amending the Board’s regular meetings to the first and third Monday of each month at 1:30 p.m., or at 6:00 p.m. or leave as is.

## PREVIOUS CONSIDERATION

The Board discussed this item at the following Board of Directors meetings:

- October 6, 2025
- January 26, 2026
- February 2, 2026
- February 23, 2026

## BACKGROUND

At the October 6, 2025, Board meeting, the Board requested that staff evaluate the effectiveness of evening Board meetings, specifically whether the evening meeting format achieved its intended purpose of increasing public attendance and community participation.

Since that time, staff has monitored and evaluated public attendance trends, in-person participation, and remote engagement for both daytime and evening meetings. The evaluation period included review of in-person attendance, public comment participation, and remote access usage through Zoom and telephone conferencing. At the January 26, 2026, Board meeting, the Board considered staff’s recommendation but did not reach a consensus. At the February 2, 2026, Board meeting, the Board again did not reach a consensus. At the February 23, 2026, Board meeting, the item was pulled from the agenda due to the absence of a Director, consistent with the Board’s previously stated preference to consider the matter with a full Board present.

The Agency continues to provide robust public access options, including live video and telephone participation via Zoom, ensuring that members of the public may attend and

participate in meetings without being physically present. These tools have significantly expanded accessibility beyond traditional in-person attendance.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

N/A

**ACTION**

1. Adopt either Draft Ordinance A or Draft Ordinance B as Ordinance No. 19, establishing new Board meeting times and affirming the Board meeting location
2. Rescind Ordinance No. 18

**ATTACHMENTS**

Director Board Action Item  
Draft Ordinance A  
Draft Ordinance B

## Pass Agency meetings 3/26

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From:

To:

Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at 10:19 PM PDT

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### RECOMMENDATION:

Discuss and consider action to adopt an ordinance to return the Board's regular meetings to the first and third Monday of each month at 6pm with allowances for holidays. Additionally, special or emergency meetings to be held at 5pm or later whenever possible. Furthermore, rescind Ordinance No. 18.

### BACKGROUND:

The **San Geronio Pass Water Agency (the Agency)** was voted into existence by the people of the **San Geronio Pass**. As a public agency established through the will of the electorate, the Agency carries a special responsibility to remain transparent and accessible to the residents and taxpayers it serves.

Public access to the decision-making process is a foundational principle of California law. The **California Brown Act** (Government Code §54950 et seq.) declares that *"the people of this state do not yield their sovereignty to the agencies which serve them."* It further states that the people insist on remaining informed so they may retain control over the instruments they have created. Because the Agency was created directly by the voters, honoring this principle is especially important.

The website of the **California Attorney General, Rob Bonta**, explains the core requirement of the Brown Act clearly, stating that **"all meetings of a legislative body shall be open and public, and all persons shall be permitted to attend the meeting."** This statement reflects the Legislature's intent that government decision-making occur in settings that allow the public to observe and participate in the process.

Meaningful public participation requires that meetings be scheduled at times when working residents can realistically attend. While the Brown Act does not mandate a specific meeting hour, it clearly establishes that **public agencies must conduct their business openly and in a manner that allows the public the opportunity to participate**. Meetings held during standard working hours can unintentionally limit attendance to retirees, government employees, or individuals with flexible schedules, thereby excluding a large portion of the community.

Holding regular board meetings at **6:00 p.m.** provides a practical and reasonable balance. Evening meetings allow residents who commute, work full-time jobs, or operate local businesses to attend after normal working hours. This promotes broader civic engagement, strengthens public trust, and ensures that the Agency hears from a wider cross-section of the community affected by its decisions.

The Agency secures water resources that are vital to the population within its boundaries. Decisions regarding water supply, infrastructure, and rates directly affect the daily lives of residents throughout the Pass. Because of this importance, it is essential that the public be given a fair and practical opportunity to observe and participate in Agency governance.

Scheduling meetings at **6:00 p.m.** reflects the spirit and intent of the Brown Act by encouraging transparency, accountability, and public participation. It acknowledges that the Agency ultimately exists to serve the people who created it and whose lives are affected by its policies.

For these reasons, holding meetings at **6:00 p.m.** is consistent with both the **democratic origins of the San Geronio Pass Water Agency** and the **public participation principles embodied in California's Brown Act.**

**ANALYSIS:**

Holding meetings of the **San Geronio Pass Water Agency (the Agency)** at **6:00 p.m.** creates benefits for the public and the Agency while causing injury to no one involved in the process.

The primary beneficiary of evening meetings is the public itself. When meetings are scheduled after the normal workday, **virtually all members of the public have the ability to attend**, including employed citizens who work both within the Pass communities and those who commute to jobs outside the area. Public agencies exist to serve their constituents, and scheduling meetings at a time when the greatest number of residents can attend strengthens transparency, public oversight, and civic participation.

Agency staff are not harmed by evening meetings. Staff members can be made whole through the use of **personal time off or flexible scheduling**, and they are compensated appropriately for the work they perform. This ensures that staff responsibilities are fulfilled while maintaining fairness in compensation and scheduling.

In many cases, **Agency directors themselves have been financially injured by meetings held in the middle of the workday.** Because serving as a director is **not a full-time position**, many directors maintain outside employment. Daytime meetings often require directors to leave their place of employment, resulting in lost income or disruption to their professional responsibilities. Holding meetings at **6:00 p.m.** allows directors to complete their regular workday and then fully focus on conducting the people's business without the distraction of unfinished work obligations.

Evening meetings also reflect the standard practice followed by most public agencies throughout California. **Virtually all city councils, school boards, water districts, and recreation and park districts conduct their meetings in the evening** specifically so the public can attend. These agencies recognize that meaningful public participation requires scheduling meetings outside of typical working hours.

By contrast, holding meetings in the middle of the day limits participation and does not demonstrate leadership in promoting public access. As a public agency entrusted with important decisions affecting water resources and the community, the Agency should set an example by ensuring that its meetings are held at times that maximize public involvement.

For these reasons, scheduling Agency meetings at **6:00 p.m.** benefits the public, protects directors from unnecessary financial harm, accommodates staff appropriately, and aligns the Agency with the widely accepted practices of other local public bodies that prioritize public access and participation.

**ACTION:**

See Recommendation above

**SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY  
ORDINANCE A**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING NEW TIMES FOR  
BOARD MEETINGS AND AFFIRMING THE LOCATION  
OF BOARD MEETINGS**

WHEREAS, the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency (“Agency”) is a State Water Project Contractor and wholesale water agency organized and operating under the Chapter 101 of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Law set forth in the Water Code Appendix (“Law”). Section 11 of the Law provides that the Board of Directors shall provide for the time and place of holding its meetings and the manner in which its special meetings may be called; and

WHEREAS, the Board has adopted a number of ordinances and resolutions over the years designating changes in the date, time, and place of Board meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to change the times for Board meetings as set forth below and to affirm the place of Board meetings. The Board desires to take this action in order to have, in one ordinance, all of the information as to the time, place, and dates of regular meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Board has the authority under the Law, and pursuant to the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act (Government Code §§ 54950 *et seq.*), to change the date, time, and/or place of Board meetings for a particular meeting or on a more permanent basis so long as certain procedures are followed.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1     Incorporation Of Recitals All of the foregoing Recitals are true and correct and the Board so finds and determines. The Recitals set forth above are incorporated herein and made an operative part of this Ordinance.

Section 2     Place Of Board Meetings Board Meetings shall be held at the Agency offices located at 1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223.

Section 3     Regular Board Meetings Regular meetings of the Board shall convene on the following dates and times, with allowances for holidays:

The first Monday of each month at 1:30 PM; and  
The third Monday of each month at 1:30 PM.

Section 4     Ordinance To Be Controlling All ordinances, resolutions, or other Board actions, or parts thereof, that are inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby superseded to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5     New Schedule Commences As Of April 1, 2026 The President of the Board of Directors shall sign this Ordinance and the Secretary of the Board of Directors shall attest thereto, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon adoption. The new

dates and times of Board meetings, as set forth herein, shall go into effect as of April 1, 2026 and shall apply to the applicable meetings scheduled after April 1, 2026.

Section 6      Severability If any section, subsection, clause or phrase in this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby. The Board hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases or the application thereof be held invalid.

ADOPTED this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026, by the Board of Directors of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency.

SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY

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Robert Ybarra  
President of the Board of Directors

ATTEST:

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Sarah Wargo  
Secretary of the Board of Directors

**SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY  
ORDINANCE B**

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The first Monday of each month at 6:00 PM; and  
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Section 4     Special and Emergency Board Meetings Special and emergency meetings of the Board shall convene at the following time:

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