

# Paso Basin Cooperative Committee Notice of Regular Meeting

## AGENDA

November 20, 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee will hold a Regular Meeting at **4:00 p.m.** on **Wednesday, November 20, 2024**, at the Paso Robles Council Chambers, 1000 Spring Street, Paso Robles, CA 93446.

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### Members

Matt Turrentine, Chair, Shandon-San Juan WD  
 Berkley Baker, Vice Chair, San Miguel CSD  
 John Hamon, Secretary, City of Paso Robles  
 Bruce Gibson, Treasurer, County of SLO  
 Dana Merrill, Estrella El-Pomar Creston WD

### Alternates

Ray Shady, Shandon-San Juan WD  
 Kelly Dodds, San Miguel CSD  
 Sharon Roden, City of Paso Robles  
 Blaine Reely, County of SLO  
 Hilary Graves, Estrella El-Pomar Creston WD

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1. Call to Order **(Turrentine) (1 min)**
2. Pledge of Allegiance **(Turrentine) (1 min)**
3. Roll Call **(Blakslee) (1 min)**
4. Meeting Protocols **(Blakslee) (2 min)**
5. Public Comment – Items not on Agenda **(Turrentine) (3 min/speaker)**

## REPORT ITEMS

6. Update on Grant-Funded Projects
  - a. Update on Blended Irrigation Water Supply Project Draft Preliminary Engineering Report and Notice of Upcoming Public Comment Period **(WSC) (30 min)**
  - b. Grant Spending Plan and Schedule **(Blakslee) (5 min)**
7. Update on Quarterly Expense Report **(Blakslee) (5 min)**
8. Update on Water Year 2024 Annual Report Development **(Blakslee) (5 min) – Verbal**
9. Notice of Public Comment Period for the Draft GSP 5-Year Periodic Evaluation **(Blakslee) (10 min)**
10. Update on State Water Project Feasibility Study **(Provost & Pritchard) (45 min)**

## ACTION ITEMS

11. Approval of September 25, 2024, Meeting Minutes **(Blakslee) (5 min)**
12. Approval of 2025 Meeting Calendar **(Blakslee) (5 min)**
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13. Update from Committee Members or Staff **(10 min) – Verbal**
  - a. City of Paso Robles

*For more information, please visit the Groundwater Sustainability Agency websites at:*

County of San Luis Obispo - [www.slocounty.ca.gov/sgma](http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/sgma) | Shandon-San Juan Water District – [www.ssjwd.org](http://www.ssjwd.org) |  
 City of Paso Robles – [www.prcity.com](http://www.prcity.com) | San Miguel CSD – [www.sanmiguelcso.org](http://www.sanmiguelcso.org) | Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District [www.epcwd.org](http://www.epcwd.org)

- b. County of San Luis Obispo
  - c. San Miguel Community Services District
  - d. Shandon-San Juan Water District
  - e. Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District
14. Upcoming meeting(s) **(Blakslee) (2 min)**
- a. Special PBCC Meeting – December 16, 2024, 2:00 p.m.
  - b. Town Hall Meeting – December 16, 2024, 5:30 p.m.
  - c. Regular PBCC Meeting – January 22, 2025, 4:00 p.m.
15. Future Items **(2 min)**
16. Adjourn **(6:15 p.m.)**
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November 14, 2024

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 Christopher Alakel, PBCC Staff Member, City of Paso Robles/GSA  
 Blaine Reely, PBCC Staff Member, County of SLO/GSA  
 Jerry Reaugh, PBCC Staff Member, Estrella-El Pomar-Creston WD/GSA

Dear PBCC Officers and Staff,

The Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District/GSA conducted two public meetings October 28th and November 13th where we encouraged our District enrollees to provide input on the Proposed 5-year Budget for the PBCC. The October Special Meeting of the EPCWD/GSA was designed to allow the district’s enrollees to participate in an open discussion concerning the 5-year Budget as proposed and in recognition that the 5-year Budget is the driving force for the Rate Study. The meeting was very well attended with over 30 members participating in person and another dozen on the telephone. The discussion was open and lively with almost everyone speaking. During this week’s regular EPCWD/GSA Board meeting, the discussion was continued.

It is clear from the feedback received from and direction provided by our members that the District should communicate the following to the PBCC:

- EPCWD/GSA does not support the proposed PBCC Budget as presented on September 25, 2024.
- EPCWD/GSA does support the section in the PBCC Budget known as “Program Administration”; this is the so-called “Keep the Lights On” portion of the budget. EPCWD/GSA would like to see the Program Administration portion of the PBCC Budget implemented as quickly as possible so that funding is available for fiscal year 25/26.
- EPCWD/GSA would support a scaled-back Management Actions and Project portion of the Budget. EPCWD/GSA would be happy to provide a sample reduced 5-year budget that could service as a starting point for a revised 5-year Budget.

- EPCWD/GSA believes that big projects such as the Blended Water Project, State Water Project and MILR Program should stand on their own merit and be funded separately.

With this in mind, EPCWD/GSA would suggest that the PBCC staff work with the contractor performing the Rate Study to realign the proposed budget so that the Keep the Lights Funding receives the Study's focus and development at this time so that a fee structure that treats all overlayers of the Basin equally can be in place in time for FY 25/26. EPCWD/GSA also recognizes the Management Actions and Project are also important and must be addressed immediately as well.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dana Merrill', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dana M Merrill  
President

**PASO BASIN COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE**  
**November 20, 2024**

**Agenda Item #6a** – Update on Blended Irrigation Water Supply Project Draft Preliminary Engineering Report and Notice of Upcoming Public Comment Period

**Recommendation**

None; information only.

**Prepared By**

Michael Goymerac / Rob Morrow, Water Systems Consulting

**Discussion**

In 2022, the Paso Basin was awarded a \$7.6 million grant from the California Department of Water Resources for the implementation of its Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP).

The grant spending plan is composed of six (6) components, and Component 6, Water Supply Feasibility/Engineering Studies, includes a Blended Water Supply Feasibility Study project.

An RFP was issued for this project, and Water Systems Consulting (WSC) was the selected consultant. WSC provided a presentation on demand and supply characterization at the May 22, 2024, PBCC meeting, an overview on the draft alternatives analysis at the July 24, 2024, PBCC meeting.

On September 25, 2024, WSC provided a presentation on the draft preliminary engineering report. A presentation on the recommended project and next steps is provided as Attachment 1 and the draft timeline for the report is provided as Attachment 2.

The report will be made available on or before December 16, 2024 and the public comment period will begin when the report is released and conclude January 6, 2025.

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Paso Basin Cooperative Committee

# Paso Basin Blended Water Supply Project Update

November 20, 2024

# Agenda

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Funding and  
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Implementation  
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Blended Water Feasibility Study

# Work Progress Review



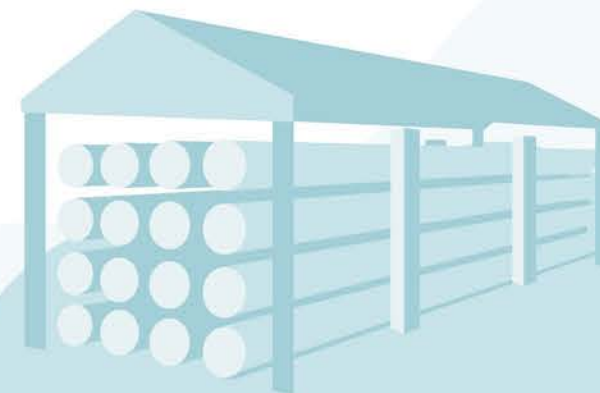
# Blended Water Project in Review...

## PBCC Meeting Presentation Topics:

- May – Project Scope, Demand & Supply, Service Areas
- July – Demand & Supply, Approach to Alternatives Analysis
- August – Alternatives Analysis and Costs
- November – Recommended Project and Next Steps



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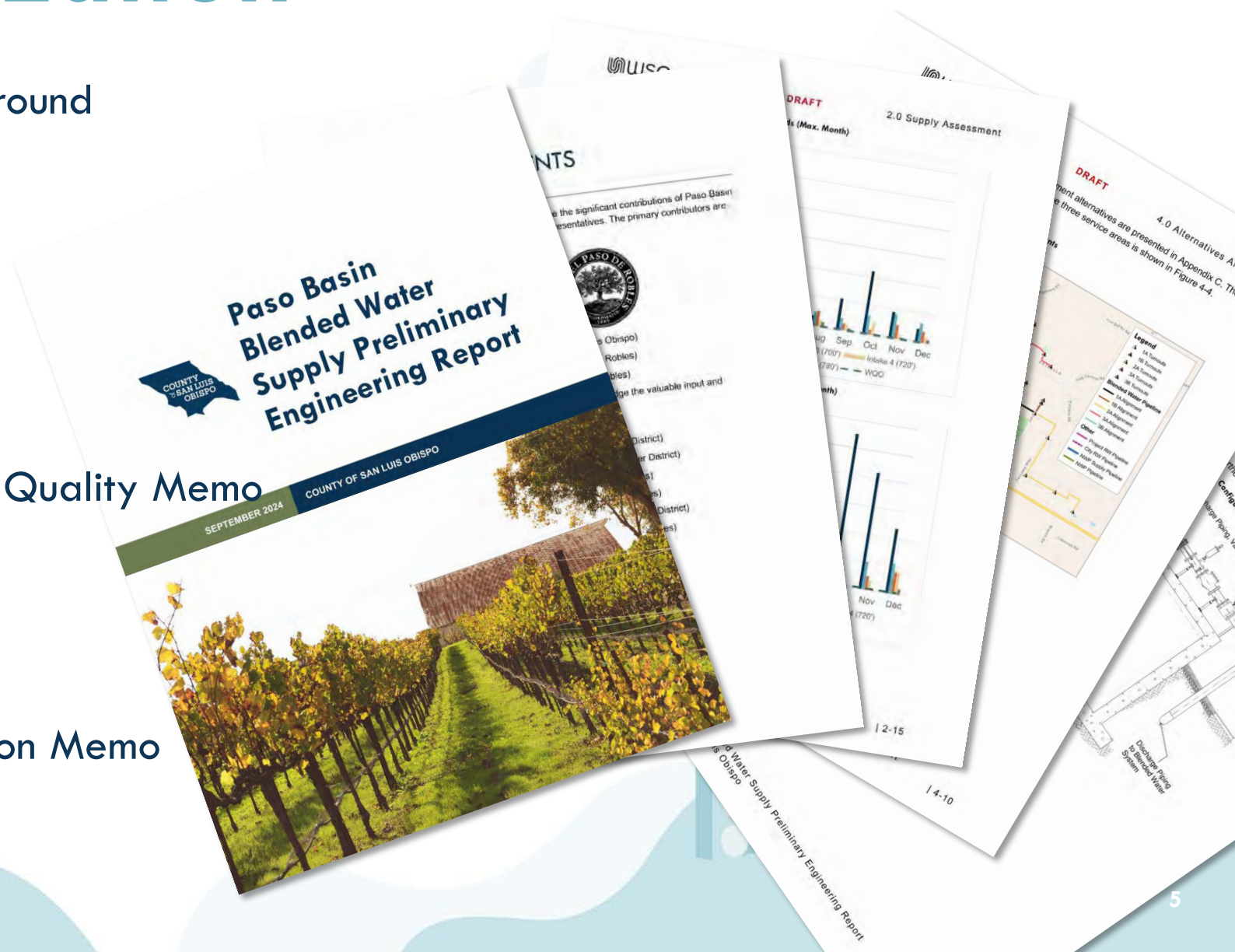
# Report Organization

- ✓ Section 1.0 Introduction and Background
- ✓ Section 2.0 Supply Assessment
- ✓ Section 3.0 Demand Assessment
- ✓ Section 4.0 Alternatives Analysis
- ✓ Section 5.0 Recommended Project

## Appendices

- A – Blended Water Supply Water Quality Memo
- B – Grower Questionnaire
- C – Alignments Analysis Memo
- D – Hydraulics Analysis Memo
- E – Treatment Alternatives Evaluation Memo
- F – Detailed Cost Estimates

Targeting release of Preliminary Engineering Report by Mid-December



Report Overview

# System Alternatives

# Alternatives Overview

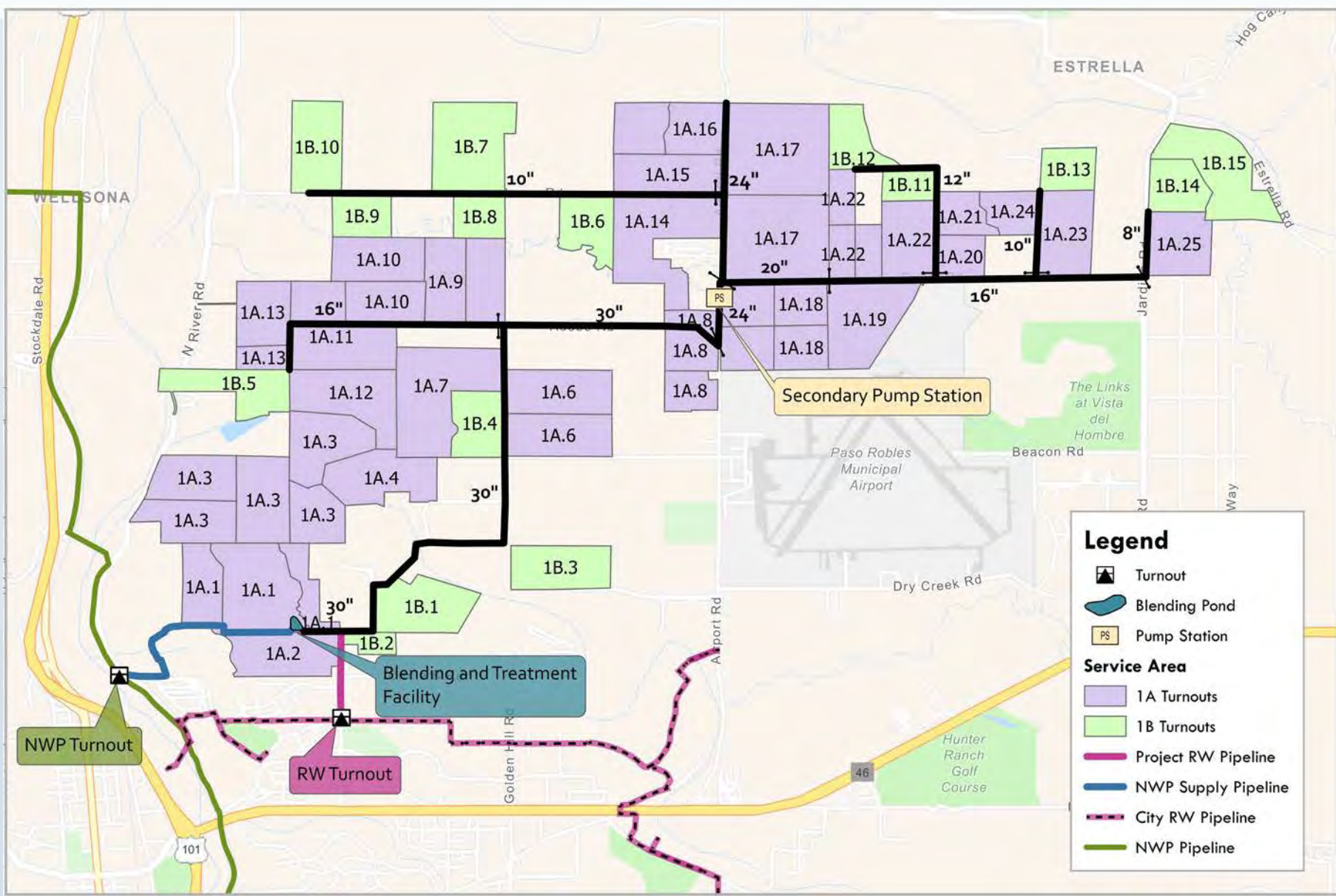
| Alt No.              | Capital (\$M) | O&M (\$M/yr) | Unit Cost (\$/AF) | User Cost (\$M) | Blended Water (AFY) | Customers |
|----------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------|
| <b>Small System</b>  |               |              |                   |                 |                     |           |
| 1.1                  | \$44.4        | \$1.1        | \$1,700           | \$0.4           | 2,100               | 10        |
| 1.2 (upsized)        | \$51.9        | \$1.1        | \$1,900           | \$0.4           | "                   | "         |
| <b>Medium System</b> |               |              |                   |                 |                     |           |
| 2                    | \$61.6        | \$1.4        | \$1,400           | \$0.7           | 3,400               | 25        |
| 3                    | \$77.6        | \$1.6        | \$1,400           | \$0.9           | 4,000               | "         |
| 4 (3 upsized)        | \$93.9        | \$1.7        | \$1,600           | \$0.9           | "                   | "         |
| 5.1                  | \$81.4        | \$1.8        | \$1,300           | \$1.0           | 4,900               | 36        |
| 5.2                  | \$81.3        | \$1.5        | \$1,300           | \$4.4           | "                   | "         |
| 5.3                  | \$74.3        | \$1.9        | \$1,300           | \$35.7          | 4,600               | "         |
| 5.4                  | \$42.0        | \$1.7        | \$1,000           | \$35.7          | 3,000               | "         |
| <b>Large System</b>  |               |              |                   |                 |                     |           |
| 6.1                  | \$102.2       | \$1.8        | \$1,000           | \$1.0           | 7,100               | 40        |
| 6.2                  | \$71.8        | \$1.3        | \$1,500           | \$39.7          | 3,500               | "         |
| 7                    | \$114.2       | \$3.2        | \$1,100           | \$1.4           | 6,700               | 47        |
| 8                    | \$127.5       | \$3.2        | \$1,200           | \$1.4           | 6,900               | 51        |

Report Overview

# Recommended Project

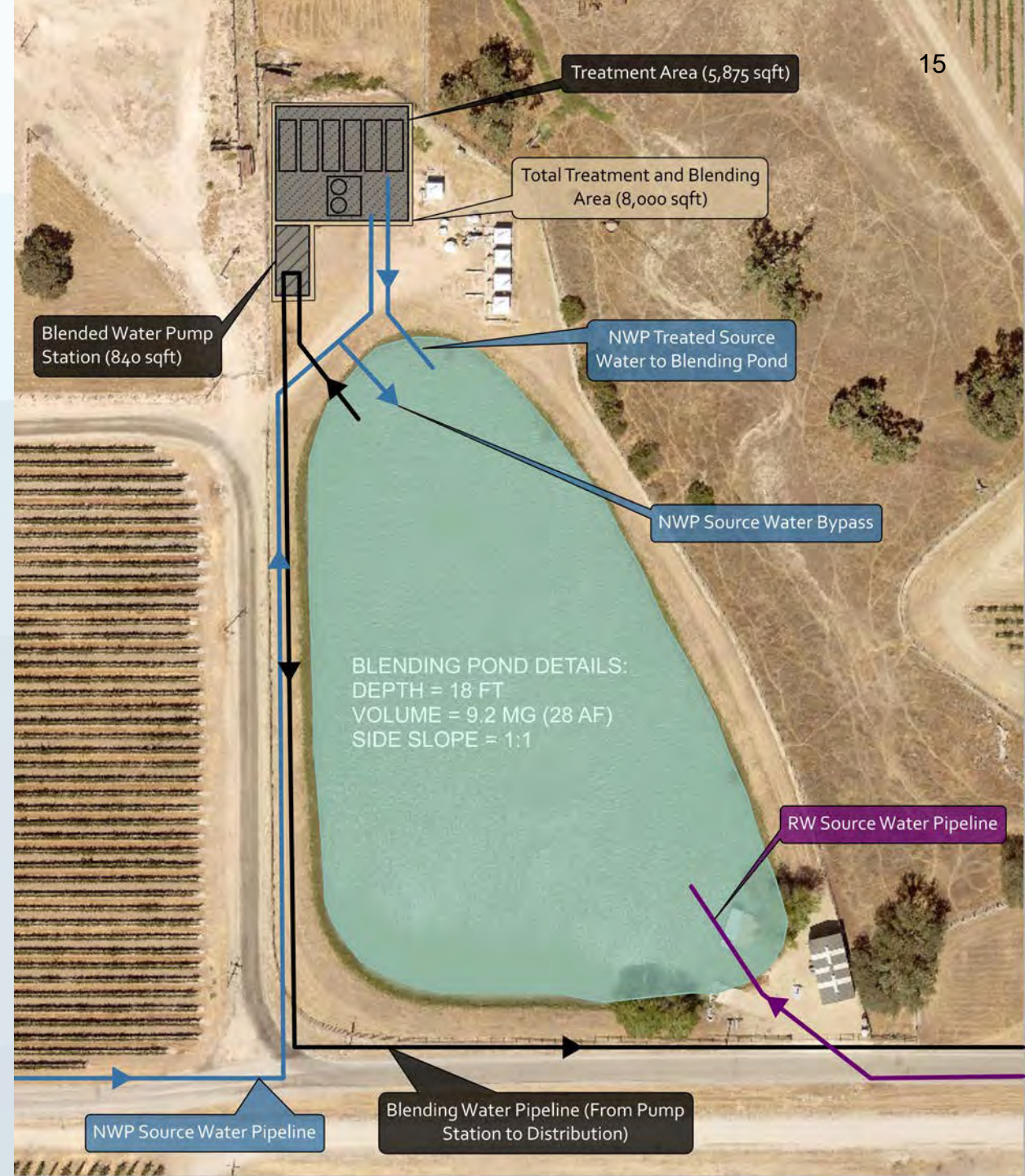


# Recommended Project – Alignment

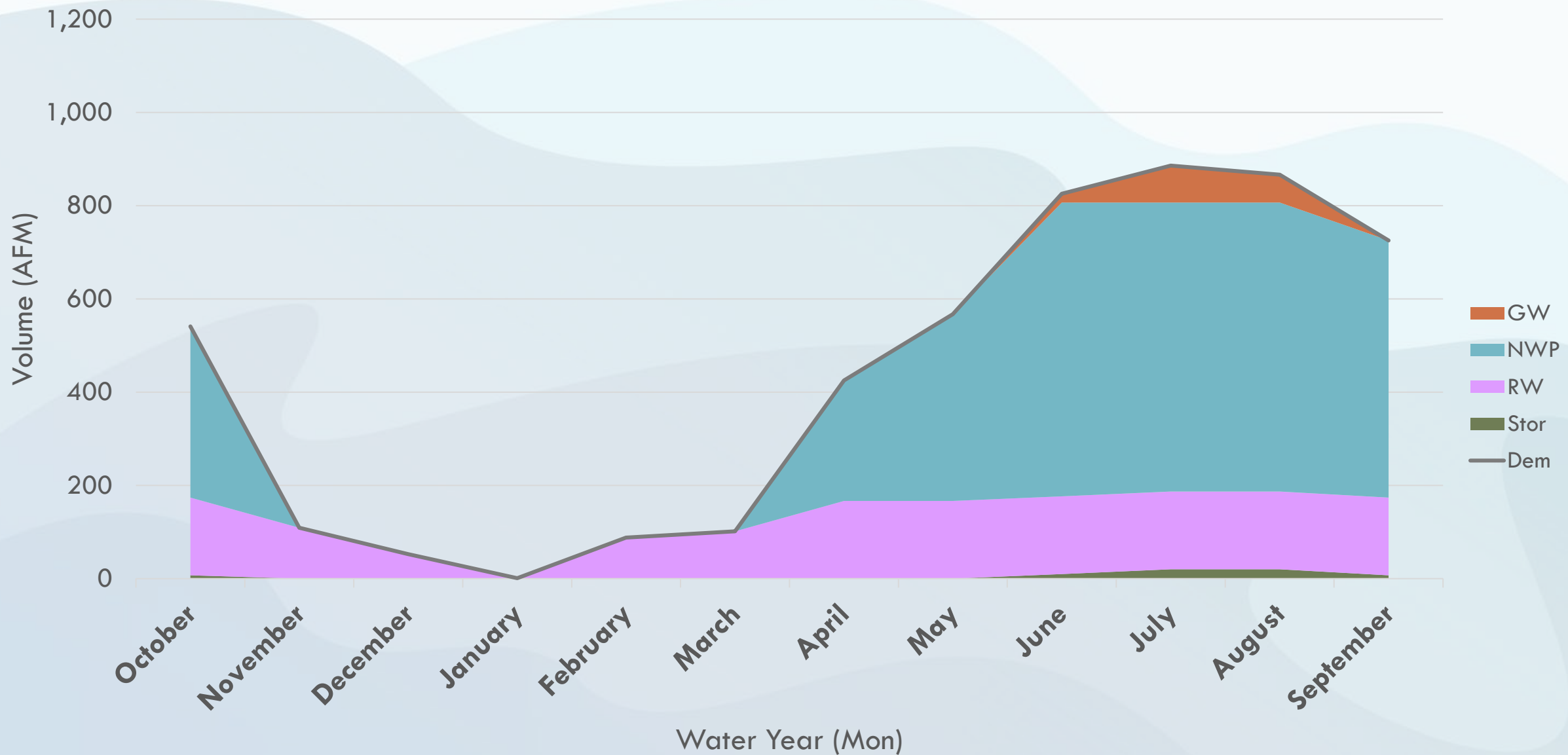




# Recommended Project – Blending and Treatment Facilities



# Recommended Project – Demand & Supply Curve



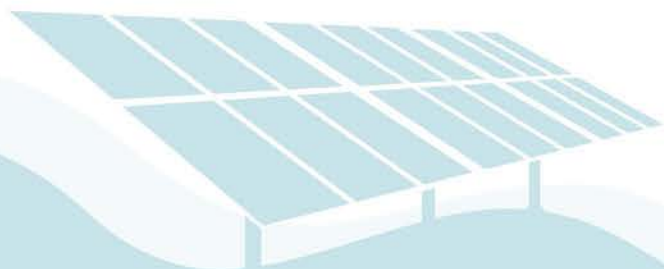


# Recommended Project – Capital Cost Estimate

| Item   | Cost (\$M)                |
|--|---------------------------|
| Existing conditions, paving, and general construction                          | \$3,004,000               |
| Blended water piping and accessories   | \$18,727,000              |
| Nacimiento turnout, piping, and accessories                                    | \$2,710,000               |
| Recycled water piping and accessories  | \$631,000                 |
| Creek crossings  | \$1,665,000               |
| Blended water pump stations and storage  | \$4,816,000               |
| System storage   | \$275,000                 |
| Treatment system   | \$17,399,000              |
| <b>Raw Construction Subtotal</b>   | <b>\$31,829,000</b>       |
| Contractor overhead  | \$5,007,000               |
| <b>Construction Subtotal</b>   | <b>\$36,836,000</b>       |
| Construction Contingency   | \$12,893,000              |
| Engineering, Construction Management, Contract Administration, and Legal Costs | \$14,919,000              |
| Treatment system   | \$16,477,000 <sup>4</sup> |
| Easement/Land Costs  | \$115,000                 |
| <b>Total Capital Cost</b>  | <b>\$81,240,000</b>       |
| <b>User Connection Costs</b>   | <b>\$4,309,000</b>        |

## Notes:

1. Costs are in 2024 dollars. See Appendix F for detailed estimate.
2. Costs are rounded to nearest \$1,000.
3. Customer connection costs not included in Total Capital Cost
4. Treatment costs include overhead, contingency, and soft costs (engineering, administration, legal), a detailed treatment cost breakdown can be found in Appendix E.



# Recommended Project – Unit Cost

| Item   | Annual Cost             |
|--|-------------------------|
| Conveyance infrastructure<br>(pipelines, pumps, storage) O&M | \$645,000 / yr          |
| Treatment infrastructure O&M                                 | \$841,000 / yr          |
| <b>Total Annual O&amp;M Costs</b>                            | <b>\$1,486,000 / yr</b> |
| Total Annualized Capital Cost <sup>5</sup>                   | \$4,145,000 / yr        |
| <b>Total Annual Project Cost</b>                             | <b>\$5,631,000 / yr</b> |
| NWP Purchases  | 3,400 AFY               |
| Recycled Water Purchases                                     | 1,500 AFY               |
| Total Water Purchases  | 4,900 AFY               |
| <b>Unit Cost</b>   | <b>\$1,200 / AF</b>     |

Note:

1. See Appendix F for detailed estimate.
2. Cost excludes NWP and recycled water purchase costs, grants, and basin fee contributions.
3. Costs are rounded to nearest \$1,000.
4. Customer connection costs not included in capital cost or Unit Cost.
5. Total capital cost annualized using 3% rate over 30 years.

Report Overview

# Funding & Financing Plan

# Funding Opportunities

## Potential Grant Funding Opportunities:

- United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) WaterSMART: Title XVI Water Reclamation and Reuse Program
- SWRCB Water Recycling Funding Program (WRFP)
- 2024 Ballot Proposition 4 (Approved) - \$3.8 Billion for Drought, Flood, and Water Supply and \$300Million for Agriculture

## Loan Options:

- SWRCB Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF).
- California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (I-Bank) Infrastructure State Revolving Fund (ISRF) Program.

# Financing Plan

| Item   | Baseline Cost |  |  | Notes                               |
|--|---------------|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Total Capital Cost</b>                    | \$81,240,000  |  |  |                                     |
| <b>Grant Amount</b>                          | N/A           |  |  | 25% of Capital Costs                |
| <b>Capital Cost for SRF Financing</b>        | \$81,239,900  |  |  | Remaining Capital Costs             |
| <b>SRF Annual Payment</b>                    | \$4,145,000   |  |  | SRF financing at 3.0% over 30 years |
| <b>Annual Basin Contribution</b>             | N/A           |  |  | Concurrent Rate Study <sup>4</sup>  |
| <b>Capital Cost after Basin Contribution</b> | \$4,145,000   |  |  |                                     |
| <b>Annual O&amp;M</b>                        | \$1,486,000   |  |  |                                     |
| <b>Total Annual Cost</b>                     | \$5,631,000   |  |  |                                     |
| <b>Annual Yield</b>                          | 4,860         |  |  |                                     |
| <b>Unit Cost</b>                             | \$1,200       |  |  |                                     |

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4. Contribution from end of 5-year rate cycle taken from September 2024 PBCC Rate Study. Contributions ramp up over the 5-year period. This is an example contribution that needs to be finalized, Rate Study was not complete at time of this report.

# Financing Plan

| Item   | Baseline Cost | Cost with Grant Funds |  | Notes                               |
|--|---------------|-----------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Total Capital Cost</b>                    | \$81,240,000  | \$81,240,000          |  |                                     |
| <b>Grant Amount</b>                          | N/A           | \$20,310,000          |  | 25% of Capital Costs                |
| <b>Capital Cost for SRF Financing</b>        | \$81,239,900  | \$60,930,000          |  | Remaining Capital Costs             |
| <b>SRF Annual Payment</b>                    | \$4,145,000   | \$3,109,000           |  | SRF financing at 3.0% over 30 years |
| <b>Annual Basin Contribution</b>             | N/A           | N/A                   |  | Concurrent Rate Study <sup>4</sup>  |
| <b>Capital Cost after Basin Contribution</b> | \$4,145,000   | \$3,109,000           |  |                                     |
| <b>Annual O&amp;M</b>                        | \$1,486,000   | \$1,486,000           |  |                                     |
| <b>Total Annual Cost</b>                     | \$5,631,000   | \$4,595,000           |  |                                     |
| <b>Annual Yield</b>                          | 4,860         | 4,860                 |  |                                     |
| <b>Unit Cost</b>                             | \$1,200       | \$1,000               |  |                                     |

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|--|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Total Capital Cost</b>                    | \$81,240,000  | \$81,240,000          | \$81,240,000                  |                                     |
| <b>Grant Amount</b>                          | N/A           | \$20,310,000          | \$20,310,000                  | 25% of Capital Costs                |
| <b>Capital Cost for SRF Financing</b>        | \$81,239,900  | \$60,930,000          | \$60,930,000                  | Remaining Capital Costs             |
| <b>SRF Annual Payment</b>                    | \$4,145,000   | \$3,109,000           | \$3,109,000                   | SRF financing at 3.0% over 30 years |
| <b>Annual Basin Contribution</b>             | N/A           | N/A                   | \$5,000,000                   | Concurrent Rate Study <sup>4</sup>  |
| <b>Capital Cost after Basin Contribution</b> | \$4,145,000   | \$3,109,000           | (\$1,891,000)                 |                                     |
| <b>Annual O&amp;M</b>                        | \$1,486,000   | \$1,486,000           | \$1,486,000                   |                                     |
| <b>Total Annual Cost</b>                     | \$5,631,000   | \$4,595,000           | (\$405,000)                   |                                     |
| <b>Annual Yield</b>                          | 4,860         | 4,860                 | 4,860                         |                                     |
| <b>Unit Cost</b>                             | \$1,200       | \$1,000               | (\$100)                       |                                     |

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# Implementation Plan



# Implementation Plan – Key Remaining Questions

## Remaining Questions:

- Availability of NWP
- Purchase Cost for NWP
- Purchase Cost for RW
- Customers
- Add'l Water Quality Data
- Treatment Optimization
- Basin Funding Contributions

## Technical Studies:

Supply and Design  
Confirmation Report

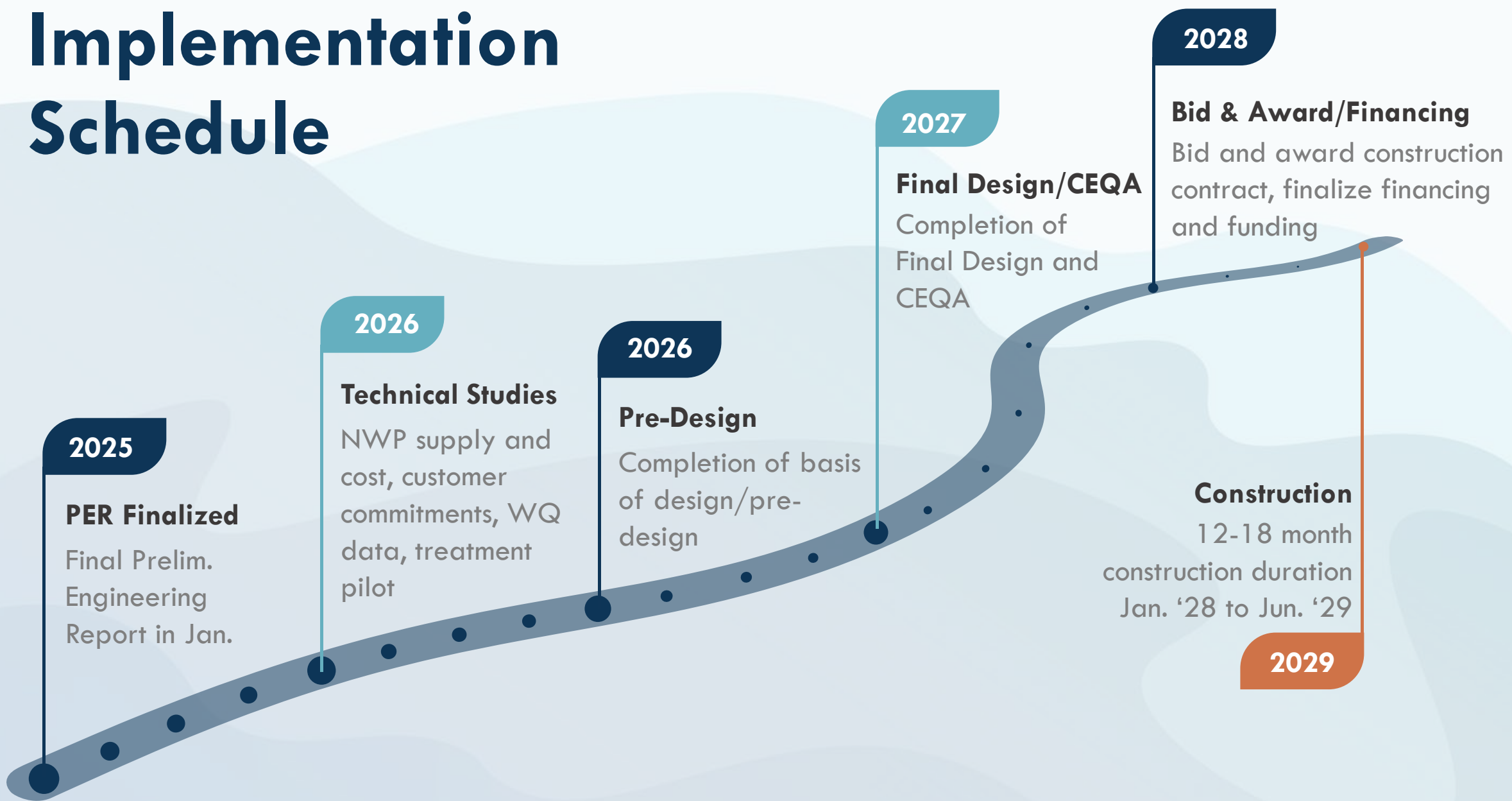
Customer Commitments

Source Water Quality Study

Treatment Pilot Study

Ongoing Fee Study

# Implementation Schedule

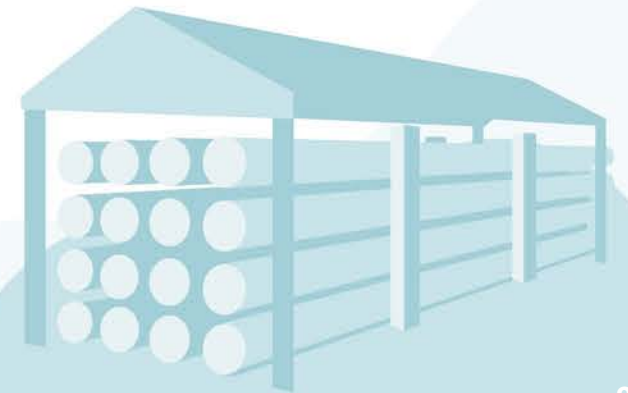


# Implementation Plan – Next Steps

- Technical Studies
  - Supply and Design Confirmation Report
  - Customer Commitments
  - Source Water Quality Study
  - Treatment Pilot Study
- Pre-Design Report
- Final Design
- Bidding/Contract Award, Construction, Startup

# Conclusions

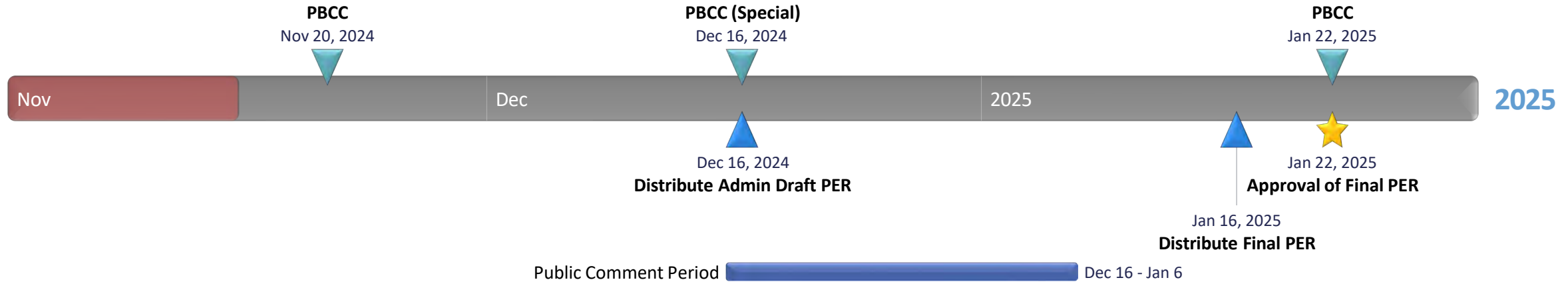
- Project provides opportunity to bring in new water sources
- Middle to large alternatives represents 4,000-7,000 AFY in lieu
- Project represents significant cost investment to achieve goals
- Project costs can be lowered through:
  - Additional studies – removal of treatment?
  - Low interest loans and grants
  - Contributions through Basin fees



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# TIMELINE | Blended Water Supply Project PER



**PASO BASIN COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE**  
**November 20, 2024**

**Agenda Item #6b** – Grant Spending Plan and Schedule

**Recommendation**

None; information only.

**Prepared By**

Blaine Reely, County of San Luis Obispo Groundwater Sustainability Director

**Discussion**

In 2022, the Paso Basin was awarded a \$7.6 million grant from the California Department of Water Resources for the implementation of its Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP).

The grant spending plan and schedule is provided as Attachments 1 and 2, respectively.

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### PASO BASIN \$7.6M GRANT SPENDING PLAN

Red text = fully committed funds

| Component    | Category            | Task #                                  | Budget       | Estimated Cost | Variance     |
|--------------|---------------------|---|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| Comp 1       | Admin               | Admin                                   | \$ 250,000   | \$ 250,000     | \$ -         |
| Comp 2       | City Recycled       |   | \$ 3,500,000 | \$ 3,500,000   | \$ -         |
| Comp 3       | San Miguel Recycled |   | \$ 1,000,000 | \$ 1,000,000   | \$ -         |
| Comp 4       | Data Gaps           | Alluvial - Design and Construct Support |              | \$ 200,000     |              |
|              |                     | Environmental                           |              | \$ 50,000      |              |
|              |                     | Surveying                               |              | \$ 70,000      |              |
|              |                     | Access Agreements                       |              | \$ 100,000     |              |
|              |                     | Alluvial - Driller                      |              | \$ 400,000     |              |
|              |                     | Access Agreement                        |              | \$ 139,060     |              |
|              |                     | Wellhead Mods                           |              | \$ 300,000     |              |
|              |                     | Monitoring Well Transducers             |              | \$ 145,000     |              |
|              |                     | Stream gauges with rating curves (3)    |              | \$ 125,000     |              |
|              |                     | Climatologic stations (6) (Land IQ)     |              | \$ 89,600      |              |
|              |                     |   | \$ 1,400,000 | \$ 1,618,660   | \$ (218,660) |
| Comp 5       | High-Priority       | Task 1                                  |              | \$ 25,000      |              |
|              |                     | Task 2                                  |              | \$ 98,000      |              |
|              |                     | Task 3                                  |              | \$ 100,000     |              |
|              |                     | Task 4                                  |              | \$ 298,045     |              |
|              |                     |   | \$ 800,000   | \$ 521,045     | \$ 278,955   |
| Comp 6       | Engineering Studies | Task 1                                  |              | \$ 300,000     |              |
|              |                     | Task 2                                  |              | \$ 300,000     |              |
|              |                     | Task 3                                  |              | \$ 110,000     |              |
|              |                     |   | \$ 650,000   | \$ 710,000     | \$ (60,000)  |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |                     |   | \$ 7,600,000 | \$ 7,599,705   | \$ 295       |



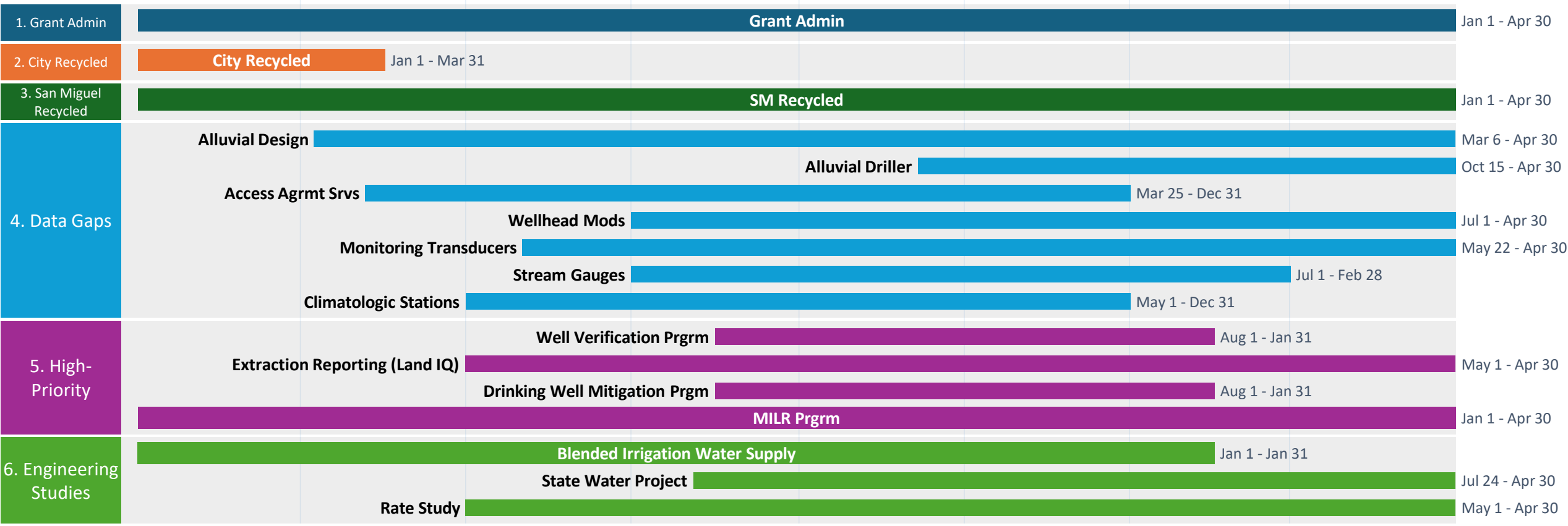
# Paso Basin \$7.6M Grant Implementation Schedule

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**PASO BASIN COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE**  
**November 20, 2024**

**Agenda Item #7** – Update on Quarterly Expense Report

**Recommendation**

None; information only.

**Prepared By**

Blaine Reely, County of San Luis Obispo Groundwater Sustainability Director

**Discussion**

At the May 22, 2024, regular Paso Basin Cooperative Committee (PBCC), the PBCC Members directed staff to prepare an ongoing report on the quarterly expenses for the PBCC and that report is provided as Attachment 1.

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| Grant Funded Expenses  |                       |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               |                       |                       |
|--|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|  | Grant Amount          | 2022          |               |                   |                    | 2023              |                   |                    |                       | 2024                |               |               |               | 2025          |               | Invoiced to Date      | Remaining Funds       |
|  |                       | Q1            | Q2            | Q3                | Q4                 | Q1                | Q2                | Q3                 | Q4                    | Q1                  | Q2            | Q3            | Q4            | Q1            | Q2            |                       |                       |
| <b>COMPONENT 1: Grant Administration</b>   | <b>\$250,000.00</b>   |               |               | \$2,042.25        | \$18,558.10        | \$0.00            | \$0.00            | \$0.00             | \$0.00                | \$0.00              | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$20,600.35           | \$229,399.65          |
| (a): Grant Administration  | \$250,000.00          |               |               | \$2,042.25        | \$18,558.10        |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | \$20,600.35           | \$229,399.65          |
| <b>COMPONENT 2: City of Paso Robles Recycled Water Distribution System - Salinas River Segment</b> | <b>\$3,500,000.00</b> | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00            | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00            | \$0.00             | \$3,328,179.38        | \$171,820.62        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$3,500,000.00        | \$0.00                |
| (a): Component 2 Administration  | -                     |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | -                     | -                     |
| (b): Planning / Design / Environmental   | -                     |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | -                     | -                     |
| (c): Construction / Implementation   | \$3,500,000.00        |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    | \$3,328,179.38        | \$171,820.62        |               |               |               |               |               | \$3,500,000.00        | \$0.00                |
| (d): Monitoring / Assessment   | -                     |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | -                     | -                     |
| (e): Outreach / Public Education   | -                     |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | -                     | -                     |
| <b>COMPONENT 3: San Miguel Community Service District Recycled Water Supply Project</b>            | <b>\$1,000,000.00</b> | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00            | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00            | \$29,880.34        | \$51,772.83           | \$65,867.90         | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$147,521.07          | \$852,478.93          |
| (a): Component 3 Administration  | \$10,000.00           |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   | \$5,665.00         | \$626.25              | \$3,051.25          |               |               |               |               |               | \$9,342.50            | \$657.50              |
| (b): Planning / Design / Environmental   | \$120,000.00          |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   | \$24,215.34        | \$51,146.58           | \$21,870.86         |               |               |               |               |               | \$97,232.78           | \$22,767.22           |
| (c): Construction / Implementation   | \$870,000.00          |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       | \$40,945.79         |               |               |               |               |               | \$40,945.79           | \$829,054.21          |
| (d): Monitoring / Assessment   | -                     |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | -                     | -                     |
| (e): Outreach / Public Education   | -                     |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | -                     | -                     |
| <b>COMPONENT 4: Address GSP Data Gaps - High Priority</b>  | <b>\$1,400,000.00</b> | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00            | \$9,251.25         | \$0.00            | \$9,000.00        | \$22,558.53        | \$8,880.12            | \$12,200.00         | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$61,889.90           | \$1,338,110.10        |
| (a): Component 4 Administration  | \$25,000.00           |               |               |                   |                    |                   | \$7,650.00        | \$9,900.00         | \$1,550.00            | \$2,150.00          |               |               |               |               |               | \$21,250.00           | \$3,750.00            |
| (b): Planning / Design / Environmental   | \$50,000.00           |               |               |                   | \$9,251.25         |                   | \$1,350.00        | \$12,658.53        | \$7,330.12            | \$5,970.00          |               |               |               |               |               | \$36,559.90           | \$13,440.10           |
| (c): Construction / Implementation   | \$1,300,000.00        |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | \$0.00                | \$1,300,000.00        |
| (d): Monitoring / Assessment   | \$25,000.00           |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       | \$4,080.00          |               |               |               |               |               | \$4,080.00            | \$20,920.00           |
| (e): Outreach / Public Education   | -                     |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | -                     | -                     |
| <b>COMPONENT 5: High Priority Management Actions</b>   | <b>\$800,000.00</b>   | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00            | \$3,932.50         | \$4,154.00        | \$0.00            | \$3,300.00         | \$350.00              | \$0.00              | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$11,736.50           | \$788,263.50          |
| (a): Component 5 Administration  | \$30,000.00           |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   | \$3,300.00         | \$350.00              |                     |               |               |               |               |               | \$3,650.00            | \$26,350.00           |
| (b): Planning / Design / Environmental   | -                     |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | -                     | -                     |
| (c): Construction / Implementation   | -                     |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | -                     | -                     |
| (d): Monitoring / Assessment   | \$770,000.00          |               |               |                   | \$3,932.50         | \$4,154.00        |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | \$8,086.50            | \$761,913.50          |
| (e): Outreach / Public Education   | -                     |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | -                     | -                     |
| <b>COMPONENT 6: Supplemental Water Supply Feasibility/Engineering Studies</b>                      | <b>\$650,000.00</b>   | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00            | \$0.00             | \$0.00            | \$0.00            | \$2,250.00         | \$13,846.25           | \$46,365.42         | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$0.00        | \$62,461.67           | \$587,538.33          |
| (a): Component 6 Administration  | \$20,000.00           |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   | \$2,250.00         | \$650.00              | \$2,350.00          |               |               |               |               |               | \$5,250.00            | \$14,750.00           |
| (b): Planning / Design / Environmental   | -                     |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | -                     | -                     |
| (c): Construction / Implementation   | -                     |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | -                     | -                     |
| (d): Monitoring / Assessment   | \$630,000.00          |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    | \$13,196.25           | \$44,015.42         |               |               |               |               |               | \$57,211.67           | \$572,788.33          |
| (e): Outreach / Public Education   | -                     |               |               |                   |                    |                   |                   |                    |                       |                     |               |               |               |               |               | -                     | -                     |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$7,600,000.00</b> | <b>\$0.00</b> | <b>\$0.00</b> | <b>\$2,042.25</b> | <b>\$31,741.85</b> | <b>\$4,154.00</b> | <b>\$9,000.00</b> | <b>\$57,988.87</b> | <b>\$3,403,028.58</b> | <b>\$296,253.94</b> | <b>\$0.00</b> | <b>\$0.00</b> | <b>\$0.00</b> | <b>\$0.00</b> | <b>\$0.00</b> | <b>\$3,804,209.49</b> | <b>\$3,795,790.51</b> |

| Non Grant-Funded |  |      |    |    |    |             |            |    |    |             |    |    |    |      |    |                  |
|------------------|--|------|----|----|----|-------------|------------|----|----|-------------|----|----|----|------|----|------------------|
|                  | Annual Report (DWR)                          | 2022 |    |    |    | 2023        |            |    |    | 2024        |    |    |    | 2025 |    | Invoiced to Date |
|                  |  | Q1   | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1          | Q2         | Q3 | Q4 | Q1          | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1   | Q2 |                  |
|                  | County of San Luis Obispo GSA                |      |    |    |    | \$53,158.26 | \$7,817.70 |    |    | \$93,505.42 |    |    |    |      |    | \$154,481.38     |
|                  | Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District GSA |      |    |    |    | \$32,745.50 | \$4,815.70 |    |    | \$30,446.08 |    |    |    |      |    | \$68,007.28      |
|                  | Shandon San Juan Water District GSA          |      |    |    |    | \$10,737.96 | \$1,579.18 |    |    | \$18,815.37 |    |    |    |      |    | \$31,132.51      |
|                  | City of Paso Robles GSA                      |      |    |    |    | \$8,080.05  | \$1,188.29 |    |    | \$14,158.00 |    |    |    |      |    | \$23,426.34      |
|                  | San Miguel Community Services District GSA   |      |    |    |    | \$1,594.75  | \$234.53   |    |    | \$2,794.36  |    |    |    |      |    | \$4,623.64       |

**PASO BASIN COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE**  
**November 20, 2024**

**Agenda Item #9** – Notice of Public Comment Period for the Draft GSP 5-Year Periodic Evaluation

**Recommendation**

None; information only.

**Prepared By**

Blaine Reely, County of San Luis Obispo Groundwater Sustainability Director

**Discussion**

**Background**

In accordance with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) requires a Groundwater Sustainability Plan Periodic Evaluation to be completed by January 30, 2025.

On September 25, 2024, GSI provided an overview of the periodic evaluation approach and timeline. The timeline is provided as Attachment 1.

**Draft Report**

The draft Paso Robles Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan 5-Year Periodic Evaluation is available for review and comment. You are encouraged to review the draft document using the following links:

| No. | Item                              | Size                      | Link  |
|-----|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| 1   | Draft 5-Year Periodic Eval Report | 18 MB<br><i>123 pages</i> | <a href="https://hgcpm.sharefile.com/public/share/web-s2f5f7e20430d4e6c9cdd11fd93b978ac">https://hgcpm.sharefile.com/public/share/web-s2f5f7e20430d4e6c9cdd11fd93b978ac</a> |
| 2   | Report Appendices                 | 64 MB<br><i>534 pages</i> | <a href="https://hgcpm.sharefile.com/public/share/web-s5c396210b2dc4bad80f4ff4d86a4984f">https://hgcpm.sharefile.com/public/share/web-s5c396210b2dc4bad80f4ff4d86a4984f</a> |

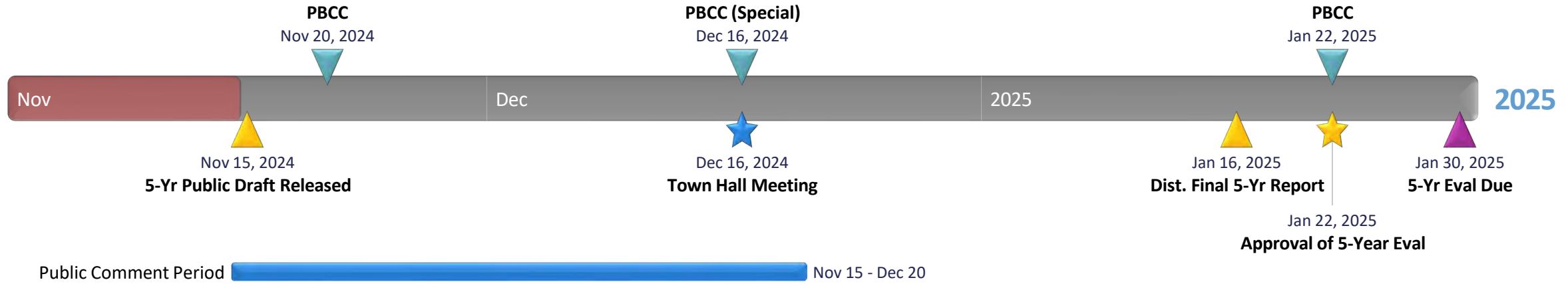
**Public Comment**

Public comments are welcome anytime between **November 15 to December 20, 2024** at 5:00 PM. Please submit your comments in writing via 1) the [public comment portal](#), 2) email to Blaine Reely at [GW\\_Groundwater@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:GW_Groundwater@co.slo.ca.us), or 3) mail to 1055 Monterey Street, STE D430, San Luis Obispo, CA 93408.

Additionally, a town hall is scheduled for December 16, 2024, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. to provide an update and receive feedback from stakeholders on Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) implementation, and the public can provide comments on the draft report at the Town Hall or anytime during the public comment period. A town hall flyer is provided as Attachment 2.

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# TIMELINE | 5-Year Periodic Evaluation



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# PASO BASIN TOWN HALL

Five Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSA) oversee the Paso Robles basin and are responsible for implementing its Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP). The GSAs work together on the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee (PBCC) to develop programs and implement actions to achieve sustainability. The PBCC is **hosting a public town hall event to inform and receive feedback on important issues impacting basin users and residents.** Below is a list of key topics you will hear about and have a chance to ask questions and provide feedback on.

## TOPICS COVERED

- Rates to Fund GSP Implementation
- Governance Structure
- GSP 5-Year Periodic Evaluation
- Multibenefit Irrigation Land Repurposing (MILR) Plan
- Expanded Groundwater Monitoring Network
- Ag Pumping Estimation Project
- Supplemental Water Supply Projects
- Dry Well Reporting

monday

**16TH**  
**december 2024**

**Paso Robles Culinary Arts Academy**  
**1900 Golden Hill Rd,**  
**Paso Robles, CA 93446**

**5:30 PM** Doors Open

**6:00 PM** Presentation

**6:30 PM** Breakout  
Discussions on Topics  
Listed (Open Door)

**8:30 PM** Town Hall Ends

Refreshments will be provided | For special accommodations, please contact Blaine Reely at [breely@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:breely@co.slo.ca.us), or (805) 781-4206.

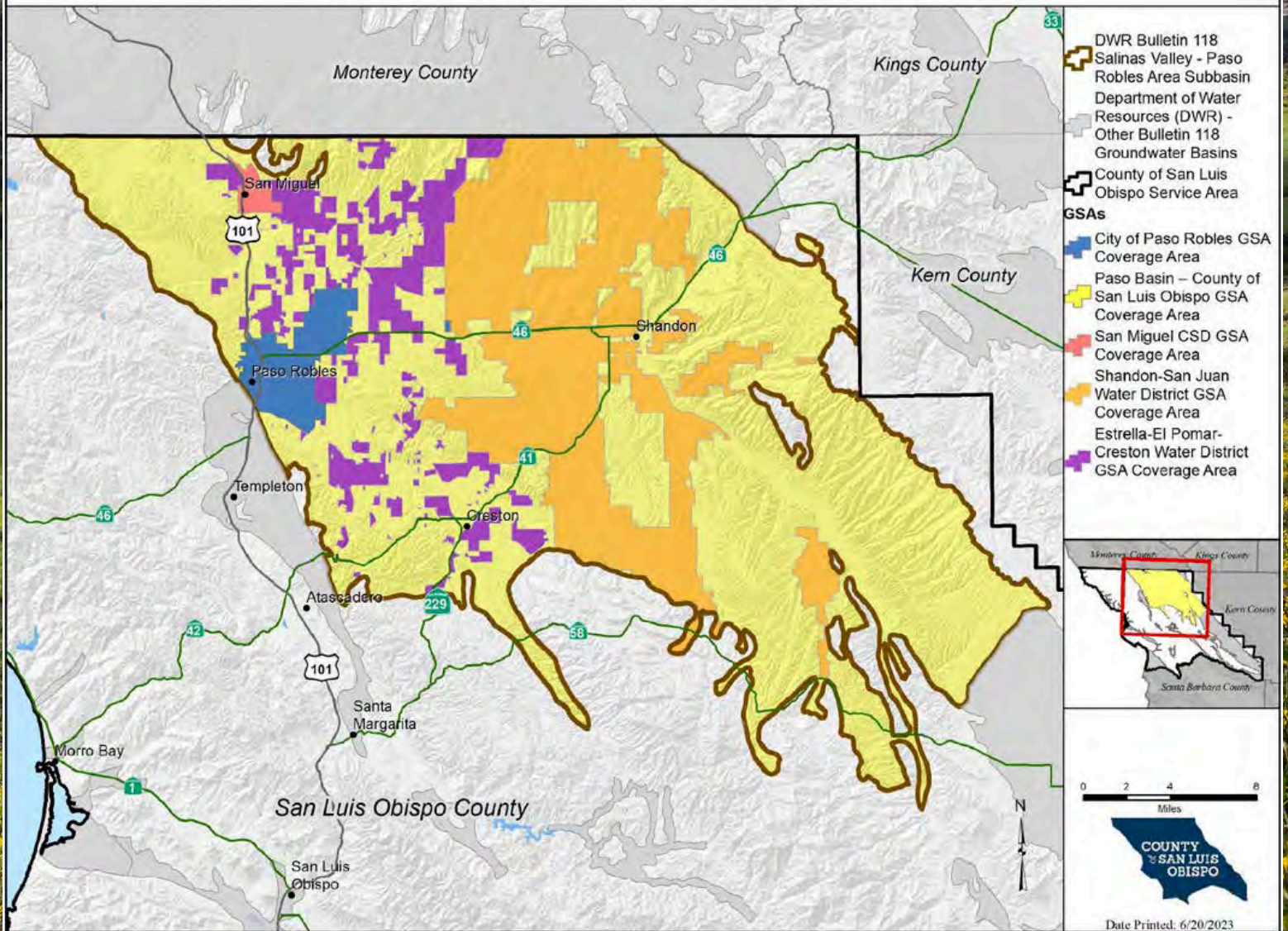


We look forward to seeing you at the Paso Robles Basin public town hall!  
Get in touch with your Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA):

- City of Paso Robles GSA | [www.prcity.com](http://www.prcity.com)
- County of San Luis Obispo GSA | [www.slocounty.ca.gov/sgma](http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/sgma)
- Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District GSA | [www.epcwd.org](http://www.epcwd.org)
- San Miguel Community Services District GSA | [www.sanmiguelcsd.org](http://www.sanmiguelcsd.org)
- Shandon San Juan Water District GSA | [www.ssjwd.org](http://www.ssjwd.org)



### Paso Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agencies Boundaries



**PASO BASIN COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE**  
**November 20, 2024**

**Agenda Item #10** – Update on State Water Project Feasibility Study

**Recommendation**

None; information only.

**Prepared By**

Terry Erlewine, Provost & Pritchard

**Discussion**

In 2022, the Paso Basin was awarded a \$7.6 million grant from the California Department of Water Resources for the implementation of its Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP).

The grant spending plan is composed of six (6) components, and Component 6, Water Supply Feasibility/Engineering Studies, includes a State Water Project (SWP) Feasibility Study. An RFP was issued for this project, and Provost & Pritchard was the selected consultant.

An update on the SWP Feasibility Study is provided as Attachment 1.

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# Paso Robles Subbasin SWP Supplemental Supply

NOVEMBER 20, 2024



# Paso Basin SWP Supp Supply Agenda

- ▶ Introduction
- ▶ SWP Supply and Capacity
- ▶ SWP Costs
- ▶ Alternatives Development
- ▶ Next Steps



# SWP Supply and Capacity

PASO BASIN SWP SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPLY

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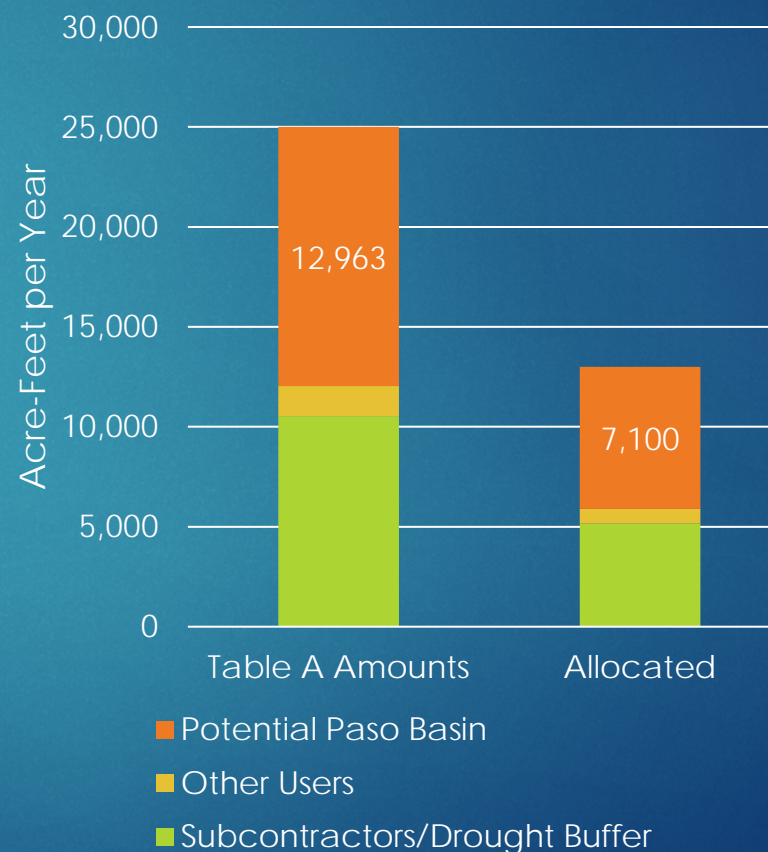
# Potential SWP Supplies Available to Paso Robles Subbasin

- ▶ SLO County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Table A Amounts – 25,000 AF
- ▶ 2023 SWP Delivery Capability Report Adjusted Historical Hydrology
  - ▶ Average Deliveries – 12,400 AF
  - ▶ Percent Deliveries – 49%; Allocated – 56%
- ▶ SWP County FC&WCD Available Table A Amount
  - ▶ Total Maximum Table A Amounts – 25,000 AF
  - ▶ Subcontractors and Drought Buffer – 10,537 AF
  - ▶ Assumed Reserved for Other Users – 1,500 AF
  - ▶ Assumed for Paso Robles Subbasin – 12,963 AF
    - ▶ Average allocations – 7,100 AF



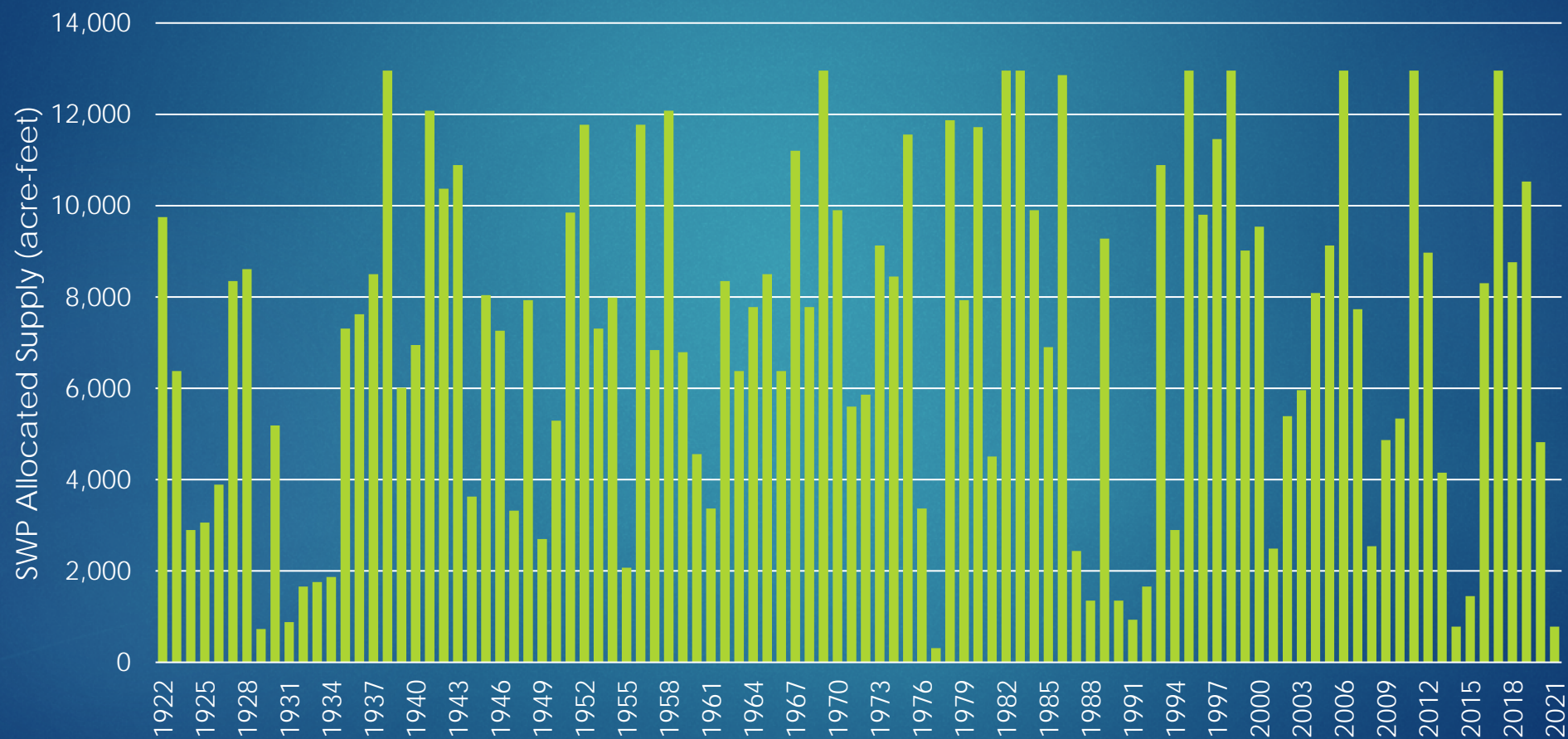
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- ▶ Potential SWP Supply for Paso Basin
  - ▶ Table A – 12,963 AF
  - ▶ Average allocations – 7,100 AF





# Paso Basin SWP Supply has large variations



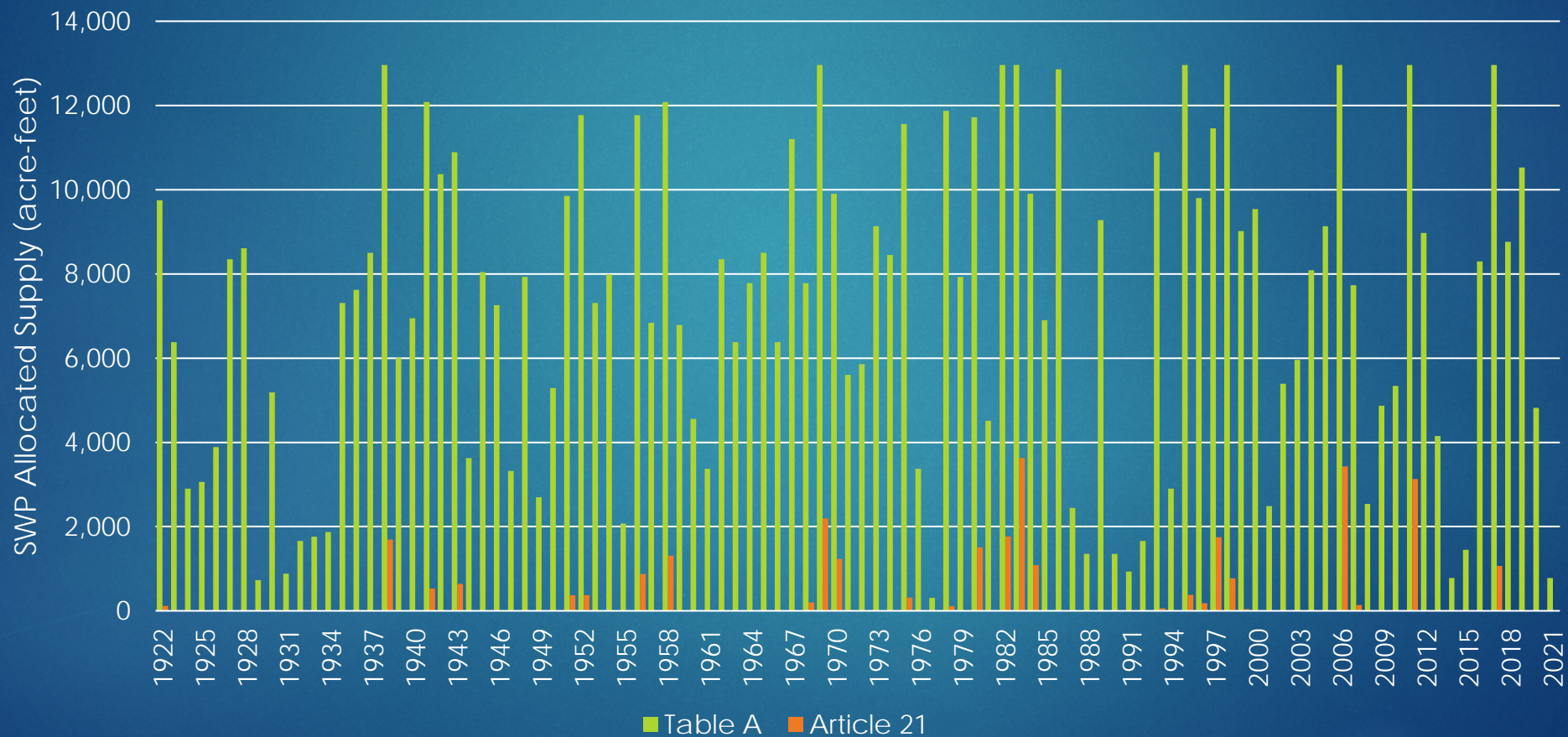


# SWP Article 21 Water

- ▶ Intermittent supply as available when Delta has high flows and San Luis Reservoir is full
- ▶ SLO County FCWCD Allocated Share averages about 290 AF/Year
- ▶ Average availability about 25% of years, many years with minimal quantities
- ▶ Maximum availability rate is 15.4 cfs
- ▶ Cost is limited to energy cost for pumping, about \$150/acre-foot
- ▶ Up Side: Other SWP contractors may not use their allocation, so quantities could be larger
- ▶ Down Side: Greatest availability in wet San Joaquin watershed years, when local stream likely to have flows

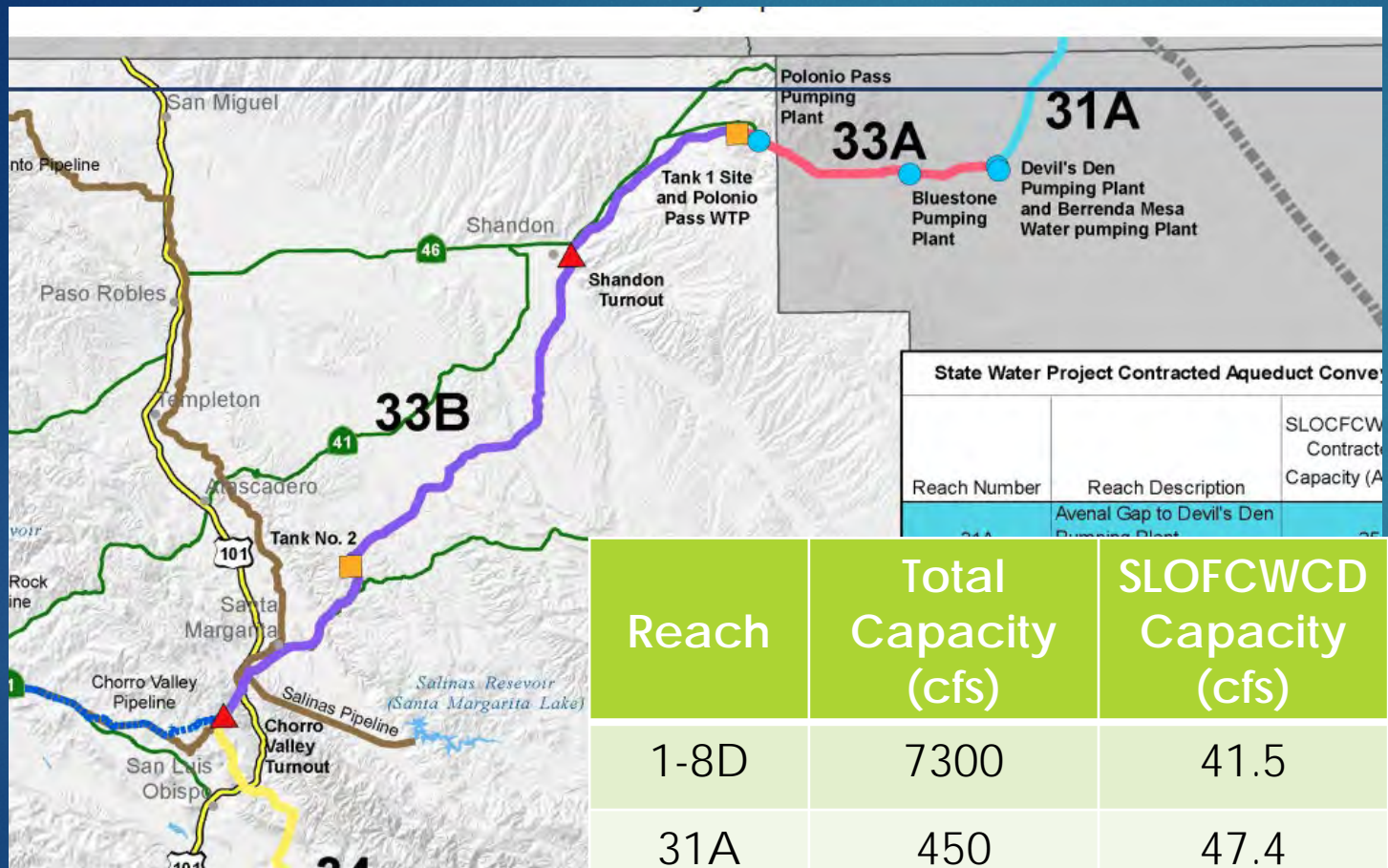


# Paso Basin Article 21 Water Supply Availability





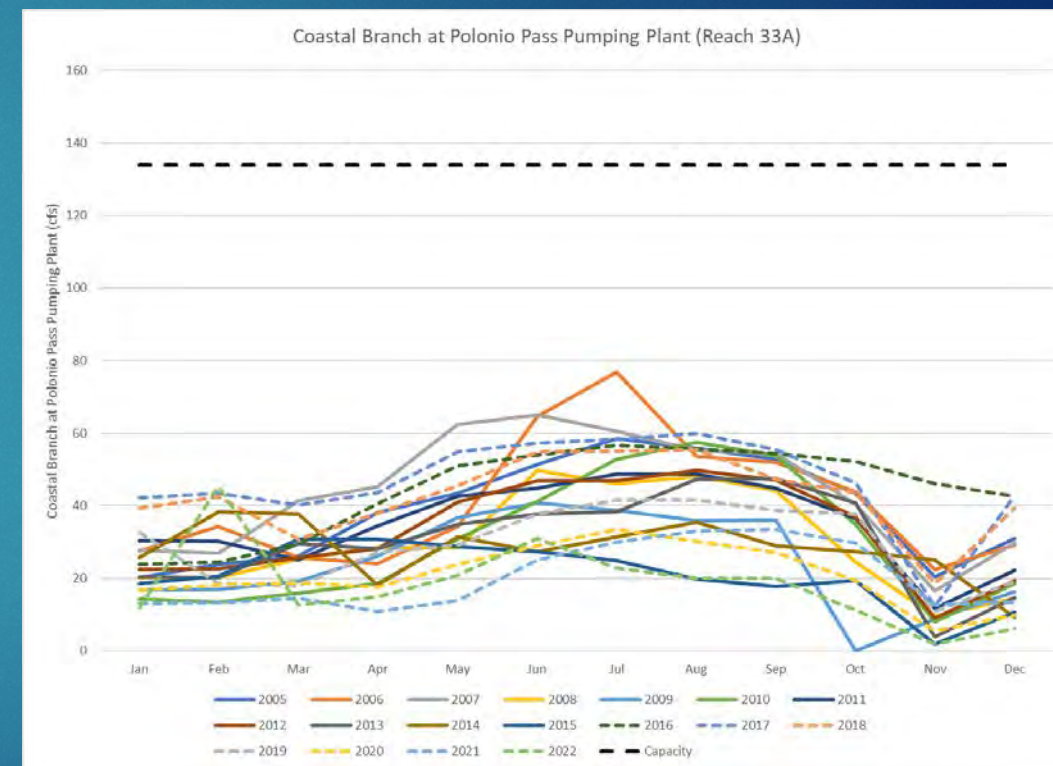
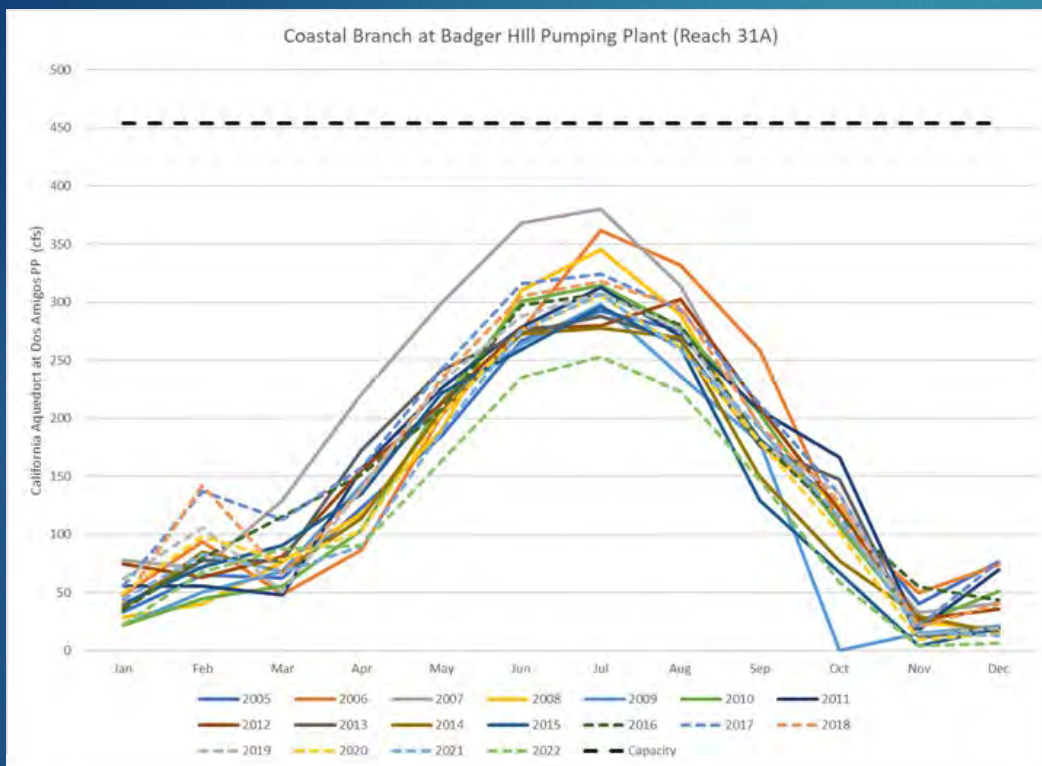
# Coastal Branch Aqueduct Reaches



| Reach | Total Capacity (cfs) | SLOFCWCD Capacity (cfs) | Completed | Owner | Operator |
|-------|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-------|----------|
| 1-8D  | 7300                 | 41.5                    | 1968      | DWR   | DWR      |
| 31A   | 450                  | 47.4                    | 1968      | DWR   | DWR      |
| 33A   | 100                  | 10.1                    | 1996      | DWR   | DWR      |
| 33B   | 71                   | 7.2                     | 1996      | DWR   | CCWA     |



# Capacity not Constraining in Coastal Branch Reaches 31A & 33A

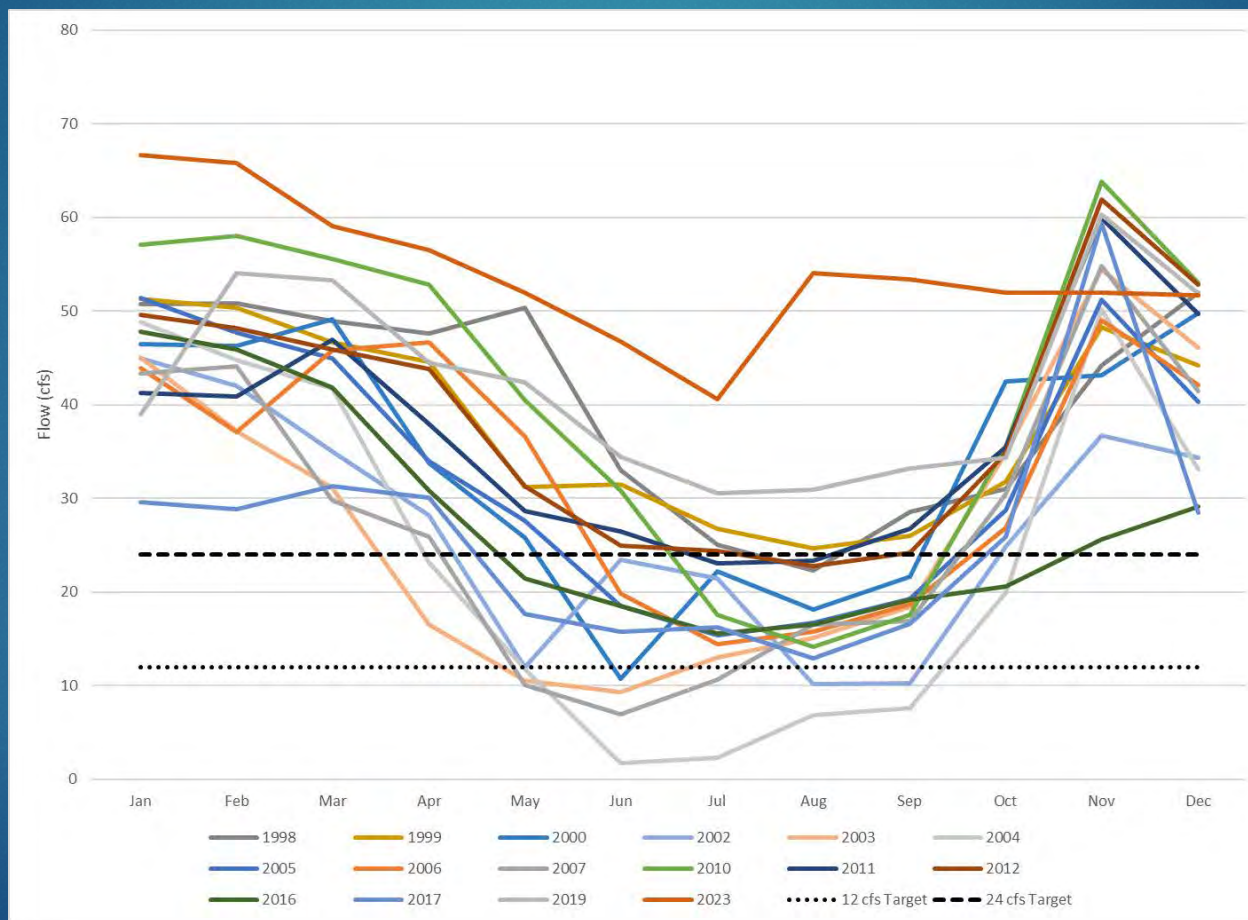






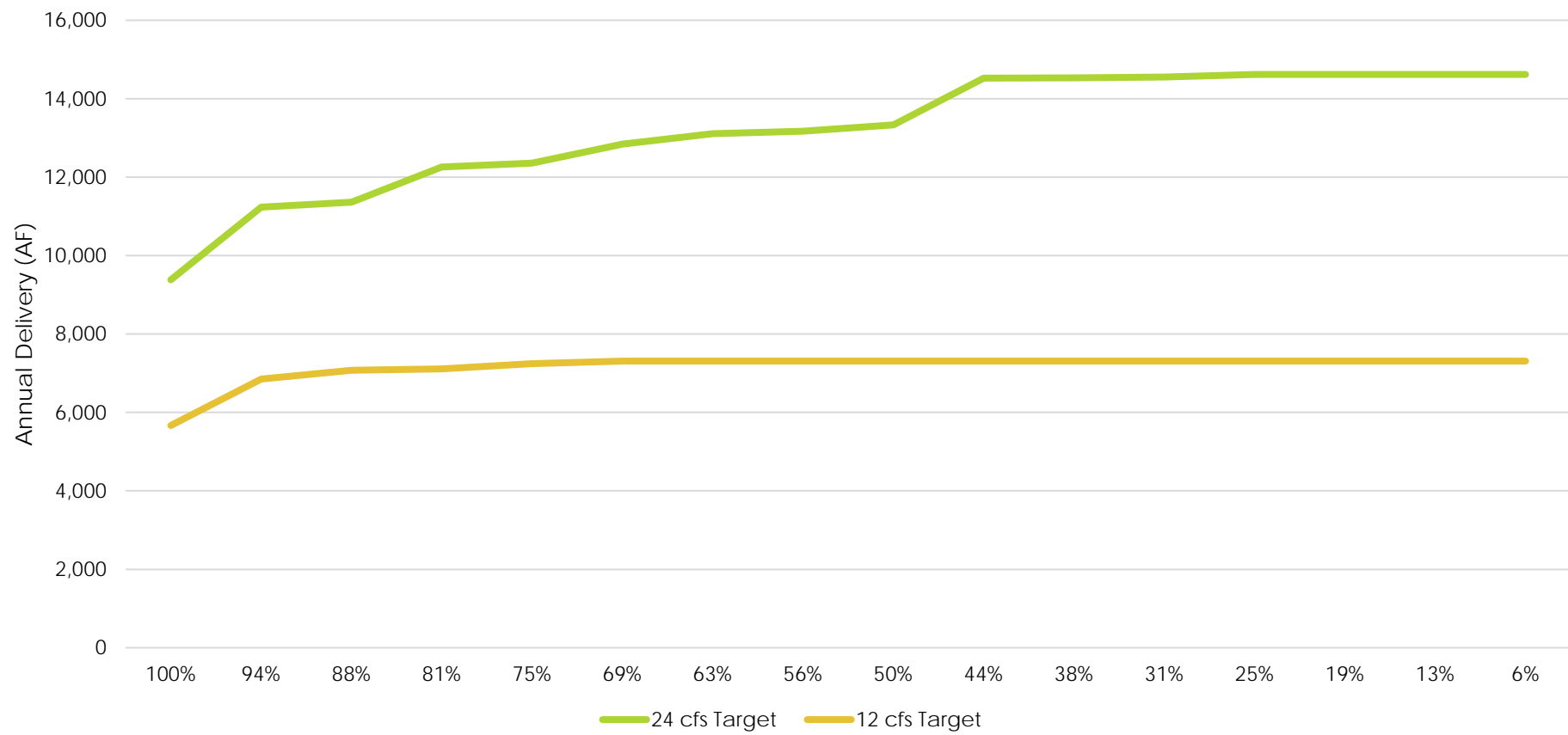


# Coastal Branch Reach 33B Below Polonio Pass Water Treatment Plant Wet Year Available Capacity and Target Deliveries





# Coastal Branch Reach 33B Wet Year Available Recharge Capacity



# SWP Costs

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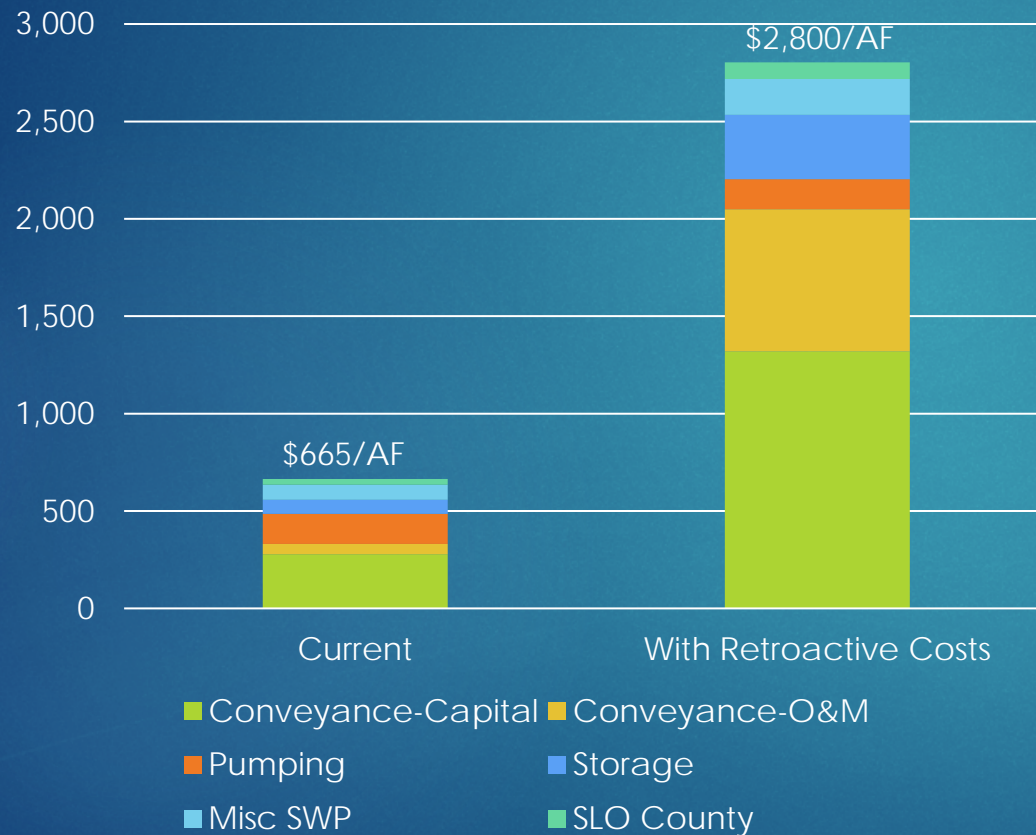


# SWP Cost Evaluation

- ▶ Initial State Water Project and Coastal Branch Costs are Nearing Complete Repayment
- ▶ SWP Cost Repayment Period is through 2035
- ▶ Post-2035 should have significantly reduced costs; Limited to ongoing operation and maintenance
- ▶ Prior SWP Cost Estimates include Full Repayment of SWP Costs from 1992 to Present
- ▶ Retrospective Repayment is not a legal requirement and is not a common practice among SWP Contractors
- ▶ Analysis Approach:
  - ▶ Segregate SWP Costs into Current Charges and Repayment of Past Charges
  - ▶ Develop alternative SWP Costs for current Repayment period and Post Repayment period
  - ▶ Identify alternative SWP Cost approaches for policy consideration



# SWP Costs – Polonio Pass Raw Water (\$ per acre-foot)



- ▶ Retroactive and future costs included in prior cost analysis are not supported by documented policies
- ▶ Conveyance Capital Costs have clearest basis for buy-in requirement
- ▶ Biggest single Buy-in cost element is Capital repayment for Reach 33A
- ▶ Other charge categories could be considered sunk cost



# SWP Policy Issues and Decision Makers

- ▶ DWR for California Aqueduct (Likely indirect SWP Contractors input)
  - ▶ No Issues for SLO County access through Reach 31A (Initial Coastal Branch Facilities)
  - ▶ SLO County capacity limited in Reaches 33A and 33B (Coastal Branch Phase 2)
  - ▶ Physical capacity available in Reach 33A, capacity is limited in Reach 33B
  - ▶ No clear DWR policy on retroactive payment or access to capacity
- ▶ SLO County for Sale of SWP Table A Amounts to individual Agencies
  - ▶ Amounts available to different County areas
  - ▶ Reimbursement, if any, for past costs
  - ▶ Types of costs, if any, to be reimbursed
- ▶ CCWA for water treatment and reimbursement for capital costs



# Paso Basin Alternatives Development

PASO BASIN SWP SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPLY

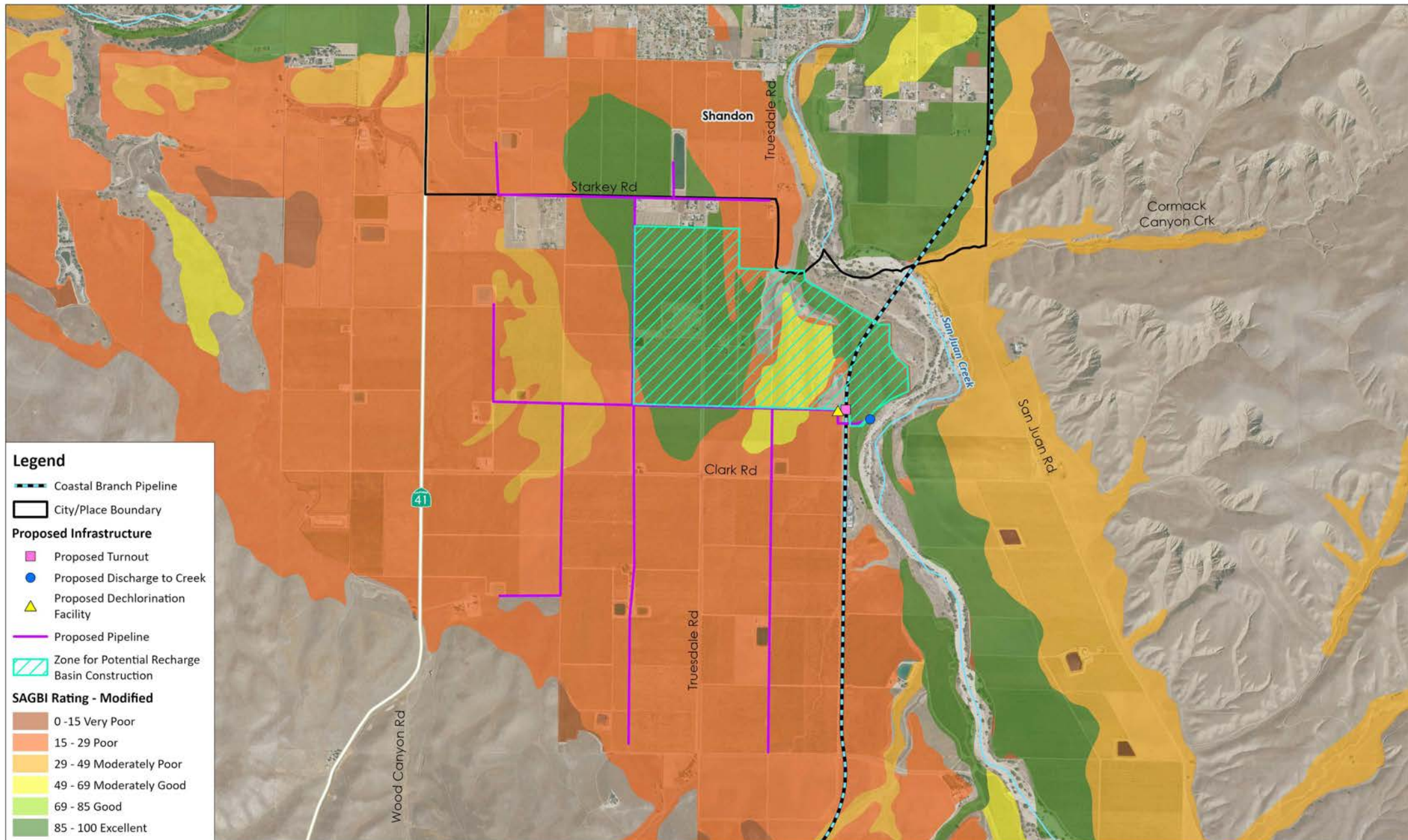
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# Alternatives

- ▶ Problem statement – Subbasin overdraft and data gaps
  
- ▶ Primary Alternatives
  - ▶ Treated Water at Shandon
  - ▶ Treated Water at Creston
  - ▶ Raw Water at Shandon
  - ▶ Raw Water to Cholame Creek
  
- ▶ Uses for SWP water
  - ▶ In-channel recharge
  - ▶ Constructed recharge basins
  - ▶ Direct Delivery for irrigation
  
- ▶ Phased approach
  - ▶ Construct turnout(s) – potentially starting with EPC pilot turnout near Creston
  - ▶ Recharge in creek channels with monitoring
  - ▶ Future addition of recharge basins and irrigation pipelines if needed





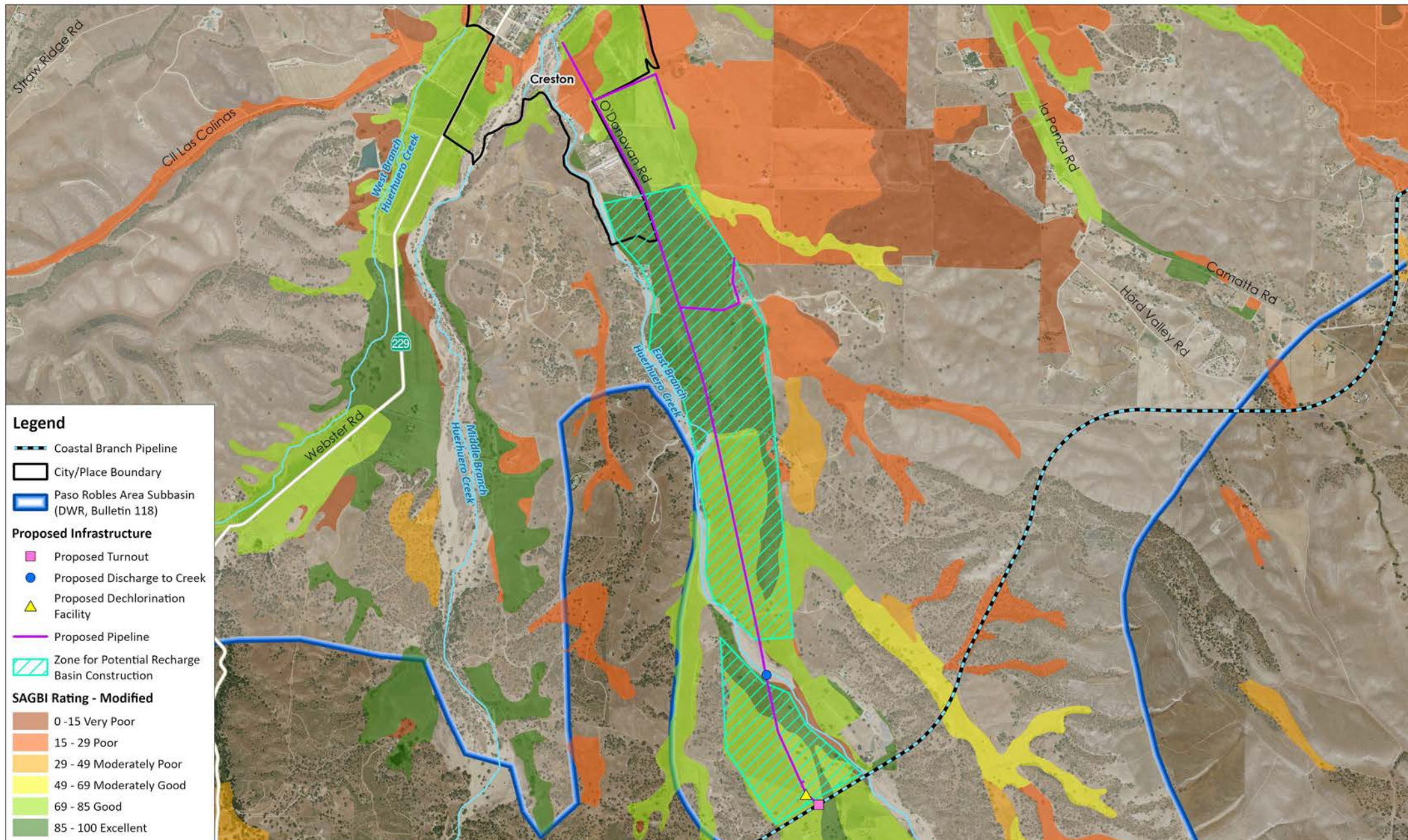
### Alternative 1 - Treated Water to Shandon

Paso Basin SWP Supplemental Supply Study

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**Legend**

- Coastal Branch Pipeline
- City/Place Boundary
- Paso Robles Area Subbasin (DWR, Bulletin 118)

**Proposed Infrastructure**

- Proposed Turnout
- Proposed Discharge to Creek
- Proposed Dechlorination Facility
- Proposed Pipeline
- Zone for Potential Recharge Basin Construction

**SAGBI Rating - Modified**

- 0 - 15 Very Poor
- 15 - 29 Poor
- 29 - 49 Moderately Poor
- 49 - 69 Moderately Good
- 69 - 85 Good
- 85 - 100 Excellent



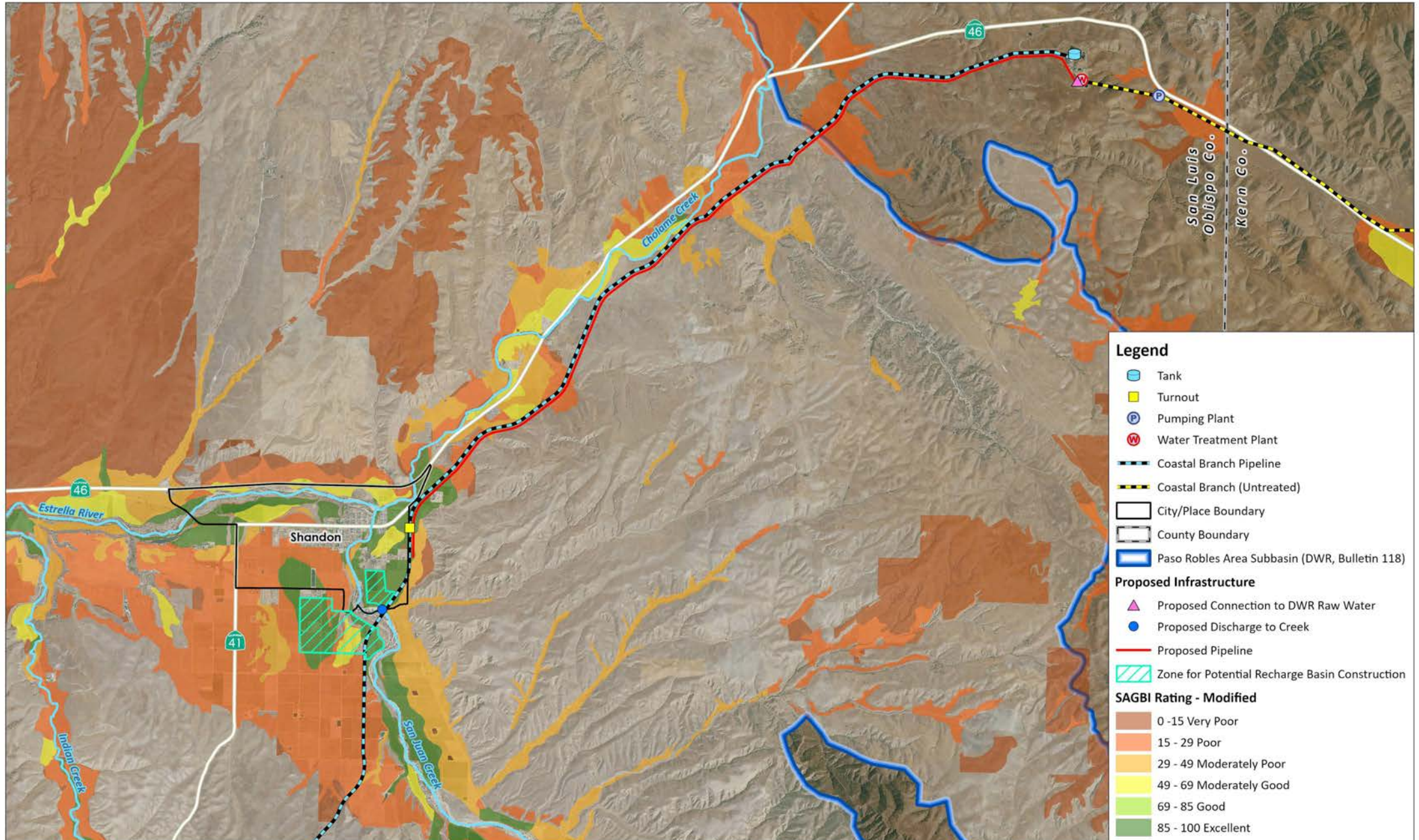
**Alternative 2 - Treated Water to Creston**

Paso Basin SWP Supplemental Supply Study

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**Legend**

- Tank
- Turnout
- Pumping Plant
- Water Treatment Plant
- Coastal Branch Pipeline
- Coastal Branch (Untreated)
- City/Place Boundary
- County Boundary
- Paso Robles Area Subbasin (DWR, Bulletin 118)

**Proposed Infrastructure**

- Proposed Connection to DWR Raw Water
- Proposed Discharge to Creek
- Proposed Pipeline
- Zone for Potential Recharge Basin Construction

**SAGBI Rating - Modified**

- 0 - 15 Very Poor
- 15 - 29 Poor
- 29 - 49 Moderately Poor
- 49 - 69 Moderately Good
- 69 - 85 Good
- 85 - 100 Excellent



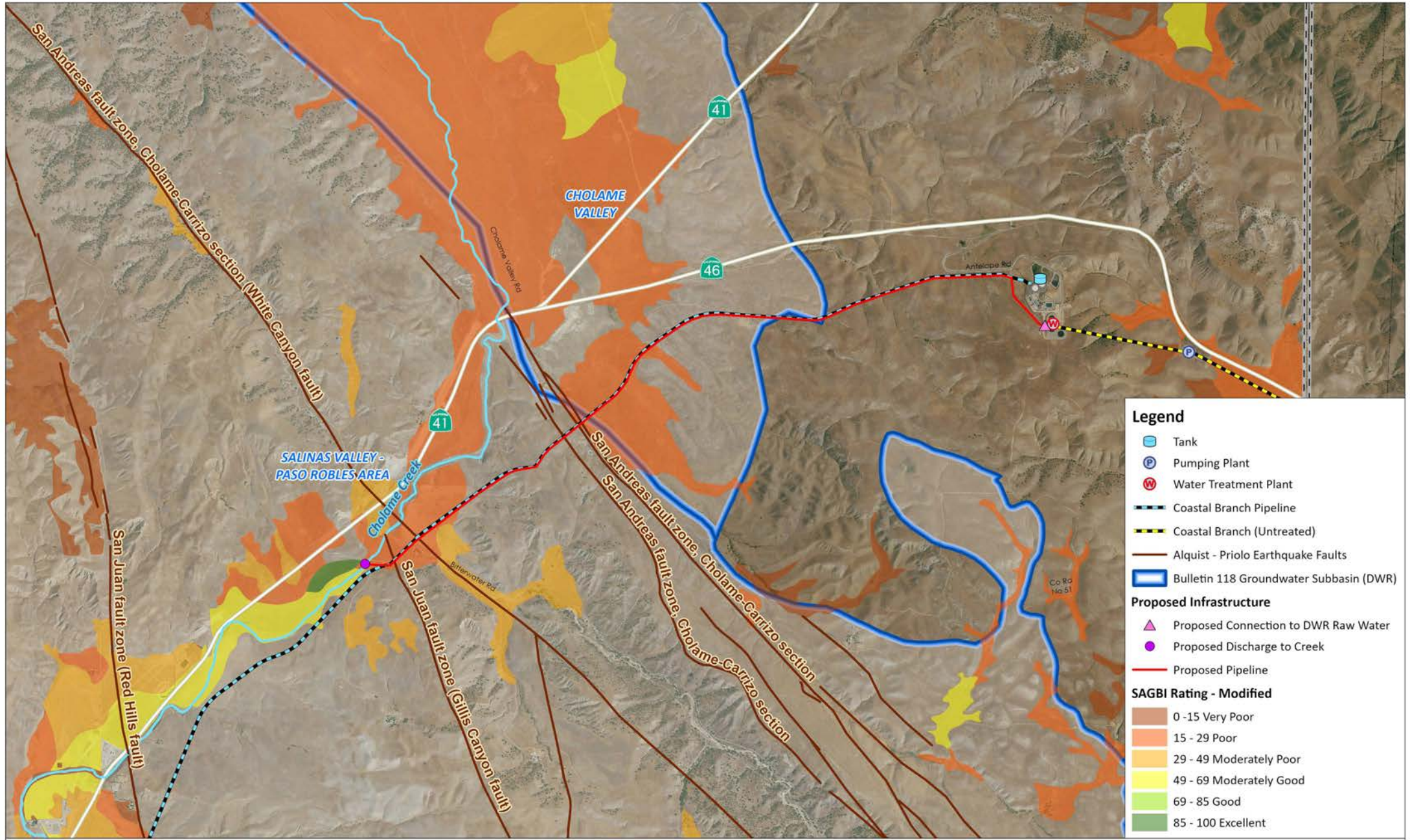
**Alternative 3 - Raw Water to Shandon**

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**Legend**

- Tank
- Pumping Plant
- Water Treatment Plant
- Coastal Branch Pipeline
- Coastal Branch (Untreated)
- Alquist - Priolo Earthquake Faults
- Bulletin 118 Groundwater Subbasin (DWR)

**Proposed Infrastructure**

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- Proposed Pipeline

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- 0 - 15 Very Poor
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**Alternative 4 - Raw Water to Cholame Creek**

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# Turnout Sizing and Costs

- ▶ Costs do not include de-chlorination facilities
  - ▶ 6-CFS
    - ▶ Approximately 3,600 AFY (assuming 10 months of continuous use)
    - ▶ 12-inch components
    - ▶ Preliminary construction estimate - \$1.3M
  - ▶ 12-CFS
    - ▶ Approximately 7,300 AFY (assuming 10 months of continuous use)
    - ▶ 18-inch components
    - ▶ Preliminary construction estimate - \$1.7M
  - ▶ 24-CFS
    - ▶ Approximately 14,500 AFY (assuming 10 months of continuous use)
    - ▶ 24-inch components
    - ▶ Preliminary construction estimate - \$2.0M



# Outlier Alternatives

- ▶ Pipelines to areas of domestic well decline
  - ▶ Pipeline cost (10+ miles of pipe)
  - ▶ Lack of reliable SWP supply for potable use
  - ▶ Lack of suitable recharge areas
- ▶ Raw water pipeline from Coastal Branch Reach 33A
  - ▶ High cost of pipeline and pump stations (\$330M)
- ▶ Releasing raw water near Polonio Pass for overland flow to Shandon area
  - ▶ Lack of clear flow path through Cholame valley, likelihood of water being lost outside of the Subbasin
  - ▶ San Andreas Fault system



# Ongoing Work

- ▶ Cost Estimates
  - ▶ Raw water pipeline
  - ▶ Turnouts
  - ▶ De-chlorination
  - ▶ Recharge basins
  - ▶ Creek discharge structures
  - ▶ Irrigation pipelines
- ▶ Assessment of in-channel recharge permitting hurdles
- ▶ Continuing hydrogeology research
- ▶ Draft report



# Next Steps

- ▶ Refine Alternatives based on input
- ▶ Continue Alternatives definition, hydraulic analysis and cost analysis
- ▶ Complete SWP cost evaluation and policy meetings

**PASO BASIN COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE**  
**November 20, 2024**

**Agenda Item #13** – Approval of Meeting Minutes

**Recommendation**

Approve the Regular September 25, 2024 meeting minutes

**Prepared By**

Blaine Reely, County of San Luis Obispo Groundwater Sustainability Director

**Discussion**

The regular September 25, 2024 meeting minutes are provided as Attachment 1 for consideration of approval.

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**The following members or alternates were present:**

- Matt Turrentine**, Chair, Shandon-San Juan Water District GSA
- Berkley Baker**, Vice Chair, San Miguel Community Services District GSA
- John Hamon**, City of Paso Robles GSA
- Bruce Gibson**, Treasurer, County of SLO
- Dana Merrill**, Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District GSA

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| <b>1. Call to Order</b>                        | Chair Turrentine: calls the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.   |
| <b>2. Pledge of Allegiance</b>                 | Chair Turrentine: leads the Pledge of Allegiance.   |
| <b>3. Roll call</b>                            | Project Manager, Taylor Blakslee: calls roll.   |
| <b>4. Meeting Protocols</b>                    | Project Manager, Blakslee provides an overview of meeting protocols.  |
| <b>5. Public Comment – Items not on Agenda</b> | <p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 0:03:37</i><br/>                     Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Greg Grewal: ...<br/>                     Not one function has been done for groundwater capture or any other that benefits the basin other than the benefits to the special groups that are involved. This is was A24.3 was voted down because nobody wanted anybody on this organization to be part of the management because you've been here since 2005 with the prior agreement and you've done nothing zero and if that's not true show me what you did. I don't mean oh you got a plan developed and you got this and that not one project not no development on water coming in, water going out reducing anything covering ponds doing whatever. I was told by one of the on this board that I'm just some old guy with some cows in the in the area and I'm not part of the economic engine of this community but nobody's ever returned my tax dollars to me for all the tax dollars I pay in this community and if I'm not part of the economic engine and I'm not part of this your economic engine created this whole problem your economic engine is in a downturn and there's 60,000 acres of too many grapes in this community and this needs to stop.</p> <p>Murray Powell: Tuesday at the board of supervisor meeting this is my recording about the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee (PBCC) or the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) budgeting that seems to never get handled correctly. Tuesday at the board of supervisor meeting they had another consent item that was not done as a GSA agenda item so that was a violation but in any event they don't care about stuff like that so now they've you know a couple months ago they submitted a revised budget that they claimed the PBCC group had approved which they hadn't. So finally I guess they've heard the complaints enough that they've now gone back on last Tuesday and they've adopted the original budget and I've kind of lost track here so I don't even know</p> |

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|  | <p>if the original budget ever actually got approved and 100% of GSA have to approve the budgets in any event. So, assuming that the county uh properly became the fifth GSA to approve this so now I guess we finally got to a point where the GSAs can actually approve expenditures but up to Tuesday, I believe, if you look at your own MOA there was no provision for or any of the GSAs spending anything either grant money I believe and certainly GSA funds until these budgets for each fiscal year get approved so you guys need to look at this so we know that the county has gone out on their own even before they were authorized to be a contractor back on July 9th to do Request for Proposals (RFPs) execute agreements with consultants for the GSAs without approval by all the rest of you folks and I think you need to go back and take a look at all that to find out which uh consoling contracts are legal and which ones aren't and I think right now most all of them aren't.</p> <p>Jerry Reaugh:<br/>         Chair Turrentine closes the floor for public comment.</p>   |
| <p><b>6. Update on Grant-Funded Projects</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a. Expanded Monitoring Network</b></li> <li><b>b. Alluvial Well Installation</b></li> <li><b>c. Agricultural Groundwater Use Estimation</b></li> <li><b>d. Rate Study</b></li> <li><b>e. Blended Irrigation Water Supply Project Draft Preliminary Engineering Report</b></li> <li><b>f. Multibenefit Irrigated Land Repurposing</b></li> </ul> | <p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 00:08:44</i></p> <p>Mr. Blakslee: provides a brief overview of Item 6a, Expanded monitoring network, in which the purpose is to expand the existing 23-well Representative Monitoring Site (RMS) groundwater level monitoring network to approximately 150 wells.</p> <p>Matthew Scrudato (Pacific Hydrologic Data &amp; Monitoring): provides an update on the monitoring network expansion project. He reviews the project timeline that includes access agreements and outreach with property owners.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>George Tracey: comments.</p> <p>Greg Grewal: comments.</p> <p>Patricia Wilmore: comments.</p> <p>Sharon Roden: comments.</p> <p>Murray Powell: comments.</p> <p>Jessie Trace: comments.</p> <p><i>---Due to technical difficulties, Mr. Jerry Reaugh was unable to provide comment during the public comment portion of the agenda, and was provided as follows:</i></p> <p>Jerry Reaugh: comments so I'll make this comment very quickly EPC sent the Paso Basin Cooperative committee an open letter or September 3rd talking about</p> |



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| <p><b>g Program and Consultant Selection Process</b></p> <p><b>g. Grant Spending Plan and Schedule</b></p> | <p>some comments we would like to make about the MILR program some s good suggestions to make the program more successful that letter was inadvertently left out of the minutes or the package I've heard subsequently from the PBBC committee and they said that it was a mistake and they apologized and I appreciate them reaching out to me so I look forward to discussing that letter when we get to the MILR project updates.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Treasurer Gibson: asks how the progress on access agreements compare to the timeline outlined in the contract.</p> <p>Mr. Scrudato: responds that they have 50% of the wells with signed agreements.</p> <p>Treasurer Gibson: asks if he needs guidance or support from the PBCC to get the access agreements signed.</p> <p>Mr. Scrudato: responds that the longer access agreement is longer and will take more time for landowners to review. He confirms the project is on track to accomplish the proposed amount of well signups.</p> <p>Mr. Reely: responded the county was responsible for the outreach and mailed the letter and brochure to properties owners on the well categories A, B, and C list. He commented that many parcels did not have direct contact information, such as an email. The county prepared a standard access and data share agreement for the monitoring network, which extends to all the managed groundwater basins within the county and to the unmanaged areas. The agreement was multiple pages due to the landowner protection provisions that ensure that the collected data remains the property of the landowner, and only the landowner. The agreement specifically identifies what data is collected includes granted permission so data can be shared with the public, other GSAs, and the state.</p> <p>John Hamon: asks for an explanation of the well categories and asks the proportion of wells that are agriculture wells or de minimis.</p> <p>Mr. Scrudato: responds that there are agriculture, de minimis, alluvial, and shallow wells identified for the network expansion. Category A wells are the primary wells that would be ideal to have in the network. Category B wells are within the same location or have the same depth, but these wells are the back up options if category A well turns down the agreement. If category B wells opt out of the network expansion, then the final option is category c wells. He adds not all A wells have a B well, and not all B wells have a C well.</p> <p>John. Hamon: asks the frequency and ratio of data that will be collected.</p> |
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Mr. Reely: responds that within the network of 150 wells, there is a number of those wells that are scheduled to be installed and each of those wells be constructed with continuous monitoring equipment as they're constructed. He added that the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) strategically selected the 150 wells, with the help of a consultant, in locations that will provide information on various parts within the basin.

Vice Chair Baker: asked how many access agreement were created and are being sent to landowners.

Mr. Reely: responds the county prepared one agreement, and that agreement is be provided by the consultant to the landowners. He mentioned Estrella-El Pomar-Creston (EPC) has developed an agreement, but doesn't know the details. His goal would be that EPC's agreement provides for sharing of data with the other GSAs, the state, and the agreement.

Vice Chair Baker: asks for the timeline to get equipment installed once the agreement is signed.

Mr. Reely: responds two consultants are under contract to install equipment. First a physical assessment must be done to ensure the well is suitable for equipment installation, and this effort is currently underway. Equipment has been installed in the first well and the consultants are working out the bugs. Additional installations will happen in the following weeks.

-----6b Alluvial Well-----

*Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 00:45:47*

Mr. Blakslee: provides a brief overview of the alluvial well installation project and purpose.

Neil Currie (Cleath Harris Geologists): provides an update on the alluvial well project and reviews the progress of the nine alluvial wells.

Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.

Greg Grewal: comments.

-----6c Agricultural Groundwater Use Estimation-----

*Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 00:48:44*

Mr. Blakslee: provides a brief introduction on the agricultural groundwater use estimation.

Joel Kimmelshue (Land IQ): provides an update on agricultural groundwater use. He reviews services provided by Land IQ and the data that is collected (land-use, monthly ET, precipitation, and age). He reports five stations have



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been installed as of September there are five stations installed and provides results from July and August analyses.

Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.

Greg Grewal: comments.

John Hollenbeck: comments.

Sharon Roden: comments.

Murray Powell: comments.

Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment.

Mr. Kimmelshue: responds to public comments. Applied water is what is pumped water and consumed water is a portion of applied water that is consumed via evapotranspiration (ET). Land IQ measures consumed use. The consumed water estimate divided by irrigation efficiency equates to estimated applied water. During the Tule Subbasin probationary hearing, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) had a probationary order that allows ET as a mechanism to estimate water use, recognizing that consumed water use divided by an irrigation efficiency provides an estimate of applied water without a meter.

Treasurer Gibson: asks if Land IQ provides irrigation efficiency measurements?

Mr. Kimmelshue: responds that Land IQ doesn't provide irrigation efficiency.

Treasurer Gibson: responds that irrigation efficiency should be understood to convert measured ET to pumped water.

Mr. Kimmelshue: comments sometimes pumpers are billed for consumption because additional water applied that is not consumed stays in the system.

John Hamon: asks about monitoring golf courses. If more data is collected, will the irrigation efficiency be refined?

Mr. Kimmelshue: responds efficiency can range from 0.6 to 0.9. Land IQ provides consumed water, but the goal is to get variability minimized as much as possible. He added there is variability in meters.

Vice Chair Baker: asks about evaporation from ponds.

Mr. Kimmelshue: responds that there are equations to estimate open surface evaporation that include variables such as size of body, wind and surface area. It

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is possible to calculate evaporation from open surface water and determine a basin-wide estimate.

-----6d Rate Study-----

*Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 01:31:42*

Mr. Blakslee: provides a brief introduction to the Rate Study Project.

Ryan Aston (SCI): presents the rate study preliminary cost of service budget, preliminary scenarios, and additional considerations.

Treasurer Gibson: asked for a legal letter to consider charges de minimis (domestic) extractors before a fee is implemented.

Mr. Aston: responds it is reasonable to provide a legal letter before a fee structure is finalized.

Treasurer Gibson: asks if domestic users are differentiated from de minimis users under SGMA? Given de minimis users are exempt need to meter, how could the fee be charged to them based on the amount they extract.

Mr. Aston: responds domestic and de minimis users are not differentiated. The water code exempts de minimis users, but legal guidance has provided that under the state code proposition 26 and 218 a fee structure can be established.

Treasurer Gibson: asks if de minimis users could be charged a small flat fee not dependent on extraction.

Mr. Aston: responds that could be explored.

John Hammon: asks if there has been any legal challenges on charging de minimis.

Mr. Aston: responds that there are some GSAs that excluded de minimis users and were challenged to reconsider and incorporate de minimis users in fees.

Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.

George Tracey: comments.

Ann Myhre: comments.

Greg Grewal: comments.

Steve Carter: comments.



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Denise Vanderhorn: comments.

Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment and opens for Committee comments.

Mr. Aston: responds to public comments. He says it is common to go through a rate study process every five years due to lack of uncertainty of projecting rates out farther than five years. He says costs are initial and will continue to be refined.

Vice Chair Baker: asks about parcel protest voting and requirements.

Mr. Aston: responds that there is a weighted vote in Proposition 218 called benefit assessment, but for property related fees, one person gets one vote regardless of land acreage or other factors.

Treasurer Gibson: comments that the reduction in extraction noted over five years should be consistent with the management goals for the basin. The revenue look at small flat fee for domestic and de minimis users. He would like to see legal analysis that de minimis users can be charged.

Chair Turrentine: responds in favor of SCI exploring options to avoid charging de minimis users. He comments on preference for GSAs to cover de minimis charges.

Treasurer Gibson: comments that this process would be complex for the County and is in favor of avoiding charging de minimis. He notes there may need to be a process to certify a domestic users is, in fact de minimis in the future. He adds that \$50,000 for well mitigation seems low, and establishing a reserve fund is important.

John Hammon: comments a reserve of 20% should be included.

Treasurer Gibson: comments the inflator value is important to investigate and recommends looking at what was done in Los Osos to ensure it is adequate.

Vice Chair Baker: comments that expenses are high.

Treasurer Gibson: comments that the expenses seem high, but it might be a better perspective when looking at the overall economic output.

Mr. Aston: comments that the flat fee can be proportional.

-----6e Blended Irrigation Water Supply Project-----  
*Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 02:28:35*

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Mr. Blakslee: provides an introduction of the Blended Irrigation Water Supply Project.

Michael Goymerac (WSC): provides an update of the Blended Water Supply Project Engineering Report including an overview of the study's progress and the system alternatives analysis. He discussed the cost breakdowns, including construction, contingency, and debt service, and highlighted risks, such as demand variability and supply limitations.

Treasurer Gibson: asks if the alternatives overview table includes the cost of the water purchased.

Mr. Goymerac: responds that these costs include the project costs and not the cost of the water purchased.

Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.

Greg Grewal: comments.

John Hollenbeck: comments.

Murray Powell: comments.

Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment.

Mr. Goymerac: responds to public comments. He responds that the \$35 million includes reservoirs at each turnout and pipelines. The unit cost (dollars per acre feet) is calculated using the capital cost assumptions, 3% over 30 years for capital costs and that is added to Operations & Maintenance (O&M) costs, then it is divided by the blended water amount, which gives cost per unit.

Mr. Reely: responds that once the report is complete, there will be a staff review and then it will be provided to the public.

Vice Chair Baker: asks about the budget for the rate study.

Mr. Reely: responds the numbers included in the five-year cost projections are the soft costs which include design, permitting, land acquisition, but not start of construction.

Treasurer Gibson: comments that the final report should review three alternatives subject to a more detailed analysis.

-----6f MILR-----

*Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 03:10:50*

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Mr. Blakslee: introduces the Multi-benefit Irrigated Land Repurposing Program (MILR).

Mr. Reely: provides an overview of the MILR program concept, eligible participants, project benefits.

Dana Merrill: asks about the benefits of the program to landowners.

Mr. Reely: responds landowners in the program get immediate access to subject matter experts to develop a repurposing plan to be implemented, assistance with implementation, and monitoring progress of that project.

Mr. Blakslee: acknowledged EPC letter was inadvertently not included in the packet and reported hard copies are provided at the meeting and continued to display the EPC letter on the screen and read the correspondence into the record.

Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.

Greg Grewal: comments.

Denise Vanhorn: comments

Jesse Trace: comments.

Steve Carter: comments.

Murray Powell: comments.

Willy Cunha: comments.

Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment.

Chair Turrentine: comments that he would expect the first phase of the project will include more public outreach, definition, and consensus building on what is incorporated in the program. Now there is a consultant to help determine what the right program for the basin is and will be most beneficial to the most people

Mr. Reely: responds the consultant selection was a collaborative effort with GSAs and stakeholders.

Treasurer Gibson: comments that the EPC letter seems reasonable. He asks if there is anything inconsistent with EPC comment letter and what was envisioned for the project. He suggests that everyone working on this project consider fairness across the basin and consider small farmers and their access to the MILR program.



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|   | <p>Mr. Kimmelshue: responds the most important part of the intended work is the outreach component and working with stakeholders in developing a program that works for the basin.</p> <p>Mr. Reely: comments that staff from each GSA reviewed proposals received, ranked and scored those proposals, participated in proposer interviews, and the Review Committee unanimously recommended contract award to Land IQ. He says a contract for Land IQ will be presented to the Board of Supervisors on October 8, 2024, and notes a significant part of the scope of work is outreach</p> <p>Treasurer Gibson: recommends that the board proceed with taking the contract to the Board of Supervisors.</p> <p>Mr. Blakslee: briefly provided an update on the Grant Spending Plan and Schedule.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Greg Grewal: comments.</p> <p>Murray Powell: comments.</p> |
| <p><b>7. Update on Quarterly Expense Report</b></p>       | <p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 04:03:39</i></p> <p>Mr. Blakslee: briefly reviews the Agenda Item 7 Quarterly expense report and notes the same report was provided in July.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Greg Grewal: comments.</p>   |
| <p><b>8. Update on GSP 5-Year Periodic Evaluation</b></p> | <p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 04:06:31</i></p> <p>Mr. Blakslee: briefly provides an overview of the GSP 5-year Periodic Evaluation and SGMA requirements.</p> <p>Dave O'Rourke (GSI Water Solutions): provides an overview of the approach for the GSP 5-year periodic evaluation. He reviews the DWR corrective actions and schedule.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Greg Grewal: comments.</p> <p>Murray Powell: comments.</p>   |

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| <p><b>9. Update on Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget</b></p>  | <p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 04:18:28</i></p> <p>Mr. Reely: provides an update on the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget and reported the county approved the FY 2024-2025 PBCC budget.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 9 Update on Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget.</p> <p>Greg Grewal: comments.</p>   |         |         |        |         |        |                         |   |  |  |  |                            |   |  |  |  |            |   |  |  |  |              |   |  |  |  |              |   |  |  |  |
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| <p><b>10. Authorize GSA Staff to Issue an RFP and Award a Contract for Development and Submittal of Annual Report for Water Year 2023-2024</b></p> | <p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 04:20:40</i></p> <p>Mr. Blakslee: provides an overview of the Contract for Development and Submittal of Annual Report for Water Year 2023-2024 and reviews the DWR requirements.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 10 Authorize GSA Staff to Issue an RFP and Award a Contract for Development and Submittal of Annual Report for Water Year 2023-2024.</p> <p>There are no comments on this item.</p> <p><b>Motion by:</b> John Hamon<br/> <b>Second by:</b> Berkley Baker</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> To recommend the County issue an RFP and award a contract for development and submittal of the Water Year 2023-2024 Annual Report to the California Department of Water Resources.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Members</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Ayes</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Noes</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Abstain</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Matt Turrentine (Chair)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Berkley Baker (Vice Chair)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>John Hamon</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bruce Gibson</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dana Merrill</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Members | Ayes    | Noes   | Abstain | Recuse | Matt Turrentine (Chair) | X |  |  |  | Berkley Baker (Vice Chair) | X |  |  |  | John Hamon | X |  |  |  | Bruce Gibson | X |  |  |  | Dana Merrill | X |  |  |  |
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| <p><b>11. Adopt Resolution 2024-001 Amending the Conflict-of-Interest Code</b></p> | <p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 04:22:30</i></p> <p>Mr. Blakslee: provides an overview of the Resolution 2024-001 Amending the Conflict-of-Interest Code and reviews the reporting requirements.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 11, 2024 Resolution 2024-001 Amending the Conflict-of-Interest Code.</p> <p>There are no comments.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment.</p> <p><b>Motion by:</b> Bruce Gibson<br/> <b>Second by:</b> John Hamon</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Adopt Resolution 2024-001 amending the Appendix A of the Committee Code to add the Estrella-El Pomar Creston Water District designated employee position to the designated position list.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="451 842 1417 1071"> <thead> <tr> <th>Members</th> <th>Ayes</th> <th>Noes</th> <th>Abstain</th> <th>Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Matt Turrentine (Chair)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Berkley Baker (Vice Chair)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>John Hamon</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bruce Gibson</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dana Merrill</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Members | Ayes    | Noes   | Abstain | Recuse | Matt Turrentine (Chair) | X |  |  |  | Berkley Baker (Vice Chair) | X |  |  |  | John Hamon | X |  |  |  | Bruce Gibson | X |  |  |  | Dana Merrill | X |  |  |  |
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| <p><b>12. Approval of July 24, 2024 Meeting Minutes</b></p>                        | <p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 04:24:45</i></p> <p>Mr. Blakslee: reports the item is for the approval of the July 24 Meeting Minutes, which were included in the meeting packet.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for Agenda Item 12 Approval of July 24, 2024 Meeting Minutes.</p> <p>There are not comments</p> <p><b>Motion by:</b> Bruce Gibson<br/> <b>Second by:</b> Berkley Baker</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Committee approves the July 24, 2024 Meeting Minutes.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="451 1549 1417 1780"> <thead> <tr> <th>Members</th> <th>Ayes</th> <th>Noes</th> <th>Abstain</th> <th>Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Matt Turrentine (Chair)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Berkley Baker (Vice Chair)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>John Hamon</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bruce Gibson</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dana Merrill</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>  | Members | Ayes    | Noes   | Abstain | Recuse | Matt Turrentine (Chair) | X |  |  |  | Berkley Baker (Vice Chair) | X |  |  |  | John Hamon | X |  |  |  | Bruce Gibson | X |  |  |  | Dana Merrill | X |  |  |  |
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**DRAFT Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**September 25, 2024**

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| <p><b>13. Update from the Committee Members or Staff</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. City of Paso Robles</li> <li>b. County of San Luis Obispo</li> <li>c. San Miguel Community Services District</li> <li>d. Shandon-San Juan Water District</li> <li>e. Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District</li> </ul> | <p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 04:25:33</i></p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 13 Update from the Committee Members or Staff.</p> <p>There are no reports or comments on this item.</p>  |
| <p><b>14. Upcoming meeting(s)</b></p>   | <p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 04:25:46</i></p> <p>Chair Turrentine: reports that additional meetings may be required to ensure all items can be discussed. A special meeting is proposed for October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and the next regularly scheduled PBCC meeting is on November 20, 2024.</p> <p>Dana Merrill: asks about the MILR project.</p> <p>Mr. Reely: responds the contract was drafted, counsel approved it, the consultant is reviewing now for signature and then it will be included on the agenda for the Board of Supervisors meeting.</p> |
| <p><b>15. Future Items</b></p>  | <p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 04:32:22</i></p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 12 Future Items.</p>  |
| <p><b>16. Adjourn</b></p>   | <p>Chair Turrentine: adjourns the meeting at 8:37 p.m.</p>   |

Drafted by: Taylor Blakslee/Grace Bianchi, Hallmark Group

**PASO BASIN COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE**  
**November 20, 2024**

**Agenda Item #13** – Approval of the 2025 Meeting Calendar

**Recommendation**

Adopt the meeting calendar for 2025.

**Prepared By**

Blaine Reely, County of San Luis Obispo Groundwater Sustainability Director

**Discussion**

The Paso Basin Cooperative Committee (PBCC) has historically met on the fourth Wednesday of the month on a quarterly basis. Section 4.5 of the MOA specifies that the PBCC “shall meet at least quarterly...”.

Given the increased level of activity in the Paso Robles subbasin, PBCC staff recommends the PBCC meet on a bi-monthly basis (every other month), and consider Special meetings, as needed.

The proposed bi-monthly schedule is provided as Attachment 1.

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## Bi-Monthly PBCC Meetings

Proposed Meeting Date

Holiday

| January 2025 |     |     |     |     |     |     |
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| February 2025 |     |     |     |     |     |     |
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| March 2025 |     |     |     |     |     |     |
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| July 2025 |     |     |     |     |     |     |
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| August 2025 |     |     |     |     |     |     |
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| October 2025 |     |     |     |     |     |     |
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| December 2025 |     |     |     |     |     |     |
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