

**NOTICE OF REGULAR  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
2:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2023**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

*Ed Lee, President; Bruce Kuebler, Vice President; Jack Curtis, Director; Nathan Rosser, Director; Peggy Wiles, Director*

**The meeting will be held in person and via Zoom by phone & video conference. The meeting will be recorded. To attend/listen to the meeting please call Toll Free US 1 (888) 788-0099 or 1 (877) 853-5247  
Meeting ID: 822 1803 9151 Password: 964370 Zoom Link: [Zoom Link](#)**

Right to be heard: Members of the public have a right to address the Board directly on any item of interest to the public, which is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. The request to be heard should be made immediately before the Board's consideration of the item. No action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda unless the action is otherwise authorized by subdivision (b) of 54954.2 of the Government Code and except that members of a legislative body or its staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their public testimony rights under section 54954.3 of the Government Code.

## **AGENDA**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE
2. PUBLIC COMMENT – FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA (LIMIT 5 MIN / PER PERSON)
3. CONSENT AGENDA:
  - a. MINUTES JULY 19, 2023
  - b. PAYMENTS FOR JULY 2023
4. BOARD VACANCY INTERVIEW OF CANDIDATES
5. BOARD REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED
  - a. UPDATE ON THE UVRGA- BRUCE KUEBLER
6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT ON WATER & DISTRICT STATUS
7. OLD & NEW BUSINESS

CLOSED SESSION The Board of Directors may hold a closed session to discuss the following items:

- a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Gov. Code § 54956.9) Name of case: *Santa Barbara Channelkeeper v. State Water Resources Control Board, et al.*, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 19STCP01176 (formerly San Francisco County Superior Court Case No. CPF-14-513875)

*If you require special accommodation for attendance at or participation in this meeting, please notify our office 24 hours in advance at (805) 646-3403 (Govt. Code Section 54954.1 and 54954.2(a)).*

**VENTURA RIVER WATER DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING JULY 19, 2023**

Director's present were: Bruce Kuebler, Ed Lee, Nathan Rosser and Peggy Wiles. Director Jack Curtis was absent. Also present were Attorney Stuart Nielson, General Manager/Board Secretary Bert Rapp, Assistant General Manager Alma Quezada.

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER** - President Ed Lee called the meeting to order at 4:31 P.M. Flag salute led by Bert Rapp.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT (FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA) –**
3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
  - A. **MINUTES JUNE 21, 2023**
  - B. **PAYMENTS & CHECKS FOR JUNE 2023**
  - C. **REIMBURSEMENT DISCLOSURE FYE 2023**

Peggy Wiles moved for approval of the consent agenda, seconded by Bruce Kuebler and the motion carried 4-0.

4. **PUBLIC HEARING TO INCREASE DIRECTOR COMPENSATION AND APPROVE ORDINANCE 2023-1:** Assistant General Manager Alma Quezada provided background regarding consideration of an increase in Board of Direction compensation. Compensation has not been increased since 2006. Ordinance 2023-1 was read into the record by title only. **Recommended action:** The Board conduct a Public Hearing and adopt Ordinance 2023-1 to increase Director compensation for Board Meeting Stipend to \$300 per day and Committee Meeting and Other Service Stipend to \$229 effective September 20, 2023. Nathan Rosser approved of the recommended action, seconded by Bruce Kuebler.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED AT 4:39 PM.

No public testimony was provided.

PRESIDENT ED LEE CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 4:40 PM.

The motion carried 4-0.

5. **CHANGING OF BOARD MEETING TIME:** At the June 21, 2023 Board Meeting the motion passed to change the Board Meeting time from 2pm to 4:30pm. Since then, a customer engagement survey has been distributed. After board discussion, Directors elected to not change the meeting time until after the new Director is seated and possibly more feedback is received. **Public Comment:** None. **Motion:** Peggy Wiles moved to postpone modifying the meeting time until after the new Director is seated, seconded by Ed Lee and the motion carried 4-0.

6. **RESOLUTUION 2023-358 INVESTMENT POLICY:** The Assistant General Manager presented an updated Investment Policy for Board consideration. **Public Comment:** None. **Recommended Action:** 1) Adopt Resolution 2023-358. Bruce Kuebler moved for approval of the recommended action, seconded by Peggy Wiles and the motion carried 4-0.

7. **REVIEW GRAND JURY REPORT; WATER AVAILABILITY FOR WILDFIRES IN VENTURA COUNTY:** The Ventura County Grand Jury assessed the water availability for wildfires in Ventura County and provided recommendations for water purveyors. The District has until September 8, 2023 to respond. Staff has reviewed recommendations they viewed as beneficial to implement. The Board President will sign the letter. No action was taken.

8. **RECONSIDERATION OF CUSTOMER REQUEST TO WAIVE SEPARATE SERVICE LATERAL:** The owner of 64 Calle Vista Del Monte is requesting the District contribute 50% of the trenching cost for the new service lateral required for the properties new Additional Dwelling Unit. Both 64 & 48 Calle Vista Del Monte are served by one 1" service line that would not be suitable for a third service line. **Public Comment:** The property owner of 64 Calle Vista Del Monte, Christy Price requested that the District contribute 50% of the cost of the trenching in the street. **Recommended Action:** The General Manager recommended that the Board contribute up to 1/3 of the cost of the trenching to install a

separate water service pipe at 64 Calle Vista Del Monte. Bruce Kuebler moved for approval of the recommended action, seconded by Nathan Rosser, and the motion carried 4-0.

**9. BOARD REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED & UPDATE ON THE UPPER VENTURA RIVER GROUNDWATER AGENCY (UVRGA)** – Bruce Kuebler reported no updates on the UVRGA meeting.

**10. WATER & DISTRICT UPDATE:** The static aquifer level at Well #2 on July 1, 2023, was at elevation 549.1, no change since the first of last month. The aquifer is currently 22.4 feet above the 35-year average for July 1<sup>st</sup>. Well #1 is pumping 1,076 GPM, down 62 GPM from last month. Well #7 is pumping 839 GPM, down 57 GPM from last month. Well #2, #3, #4 & #6 were offline in June. Supplemental Casitas water was not purchased. Sales dollars billed on July 31, 2023, amounted to \$189,301, under budget by \$71,322 for June. Water sold in June 2023 amounted to 25,630 HCF, a decrease of 56% below the 62,374 HCF sold in June 2013. On July 1, 2023, Lake Casitas level was at 73.8% of full capacity at an elevation of 541.65 feet. The lake has increased 0.14% since last month.

**11. OLD & NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**12. EXECUTIVE SESSION** – No executive session was held.

**Meeting adjourned at 6:05 pm.**

Attested:

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Bert J. Rapp, Secretary

## Online A/P Payment Transactions - July 2023

Date	Vendor	Description	Amount
7/3/23	CALPERS	457	\$ 3,375.00
7/3/23	CALPERS	Classic	\$ 2,610.90
7/3/23	CALPERS	Pepra	\$ 2,153.45
7/3/23	EXPERTPAY	Child Support	\$ 97.00
7/5/23	WAGEWORKS	Flexible Spending Account	\$ 572.74
7/11/23	WAGEWORKS	Flexible Spending Account	\$ 509.96
7/13/23	MECHANICS BANK	Analysis Charges	\$ 709.66
7/14/23	IRS	Federal Tax Deposit	\$ 8,047.65
7/14/23	CALPERS	UAL-Classic	\$ 3,753.25
7/14/23	CALPERS	457	\$ 3,575.00
7/14/23	CALPERS	Classic	\$ 2,868.53
7/14/23	CALPERS	Pepra	\$ 2,423.54
7/14/23	EDD	State Tax Deposit	\$ 1,263.95
7/14/23	EXPERTPAY	Child Support	\$ 97.00
7/17/23	ACWA	Health Insurance	\$ 11,586.48
7/17/23	TIAA	Ricoh Printer	\$ 175.64
7/17/23	VANCO	Bank Check Elimination	\$ 82.30
7/18/23	WAGEWORKS	Flexible Spending Account	\$ 15.00
7/24/23	WAGEWORKS	Flexible Spending Account	\$ 75.00
7/25/23	WAGEWORKS	Flexible Spending Account	\$ 729.67
7/27/23	POSTALIA	Postage	\$ 200.00
7/28/23	MATILIJIA WATER	Office Water	\$ 24.24
7/31/23	IRS	Federal Tax Deposit	\$ 8,885.66
7/31/23	CALPERS	457	\$ 3,575.00
7/31/23	CALPERS	Classic	\$ 2,936.50
7/31/23	CALPERS	Pepra	\$ 2,502.57
7/31/23	EDD	State Tax Deposit	\$ 1,477.46
7/31/23	EXPERTPAY	Child Support	\$ 97.00
<b>Total Online A/P Payments</b>			<b>\$ 64,420.15</b>

### Voided Checks

Check Number	Vendor	Reason	Amount
17775	Chase	Additional stub for check #17774	-

**Ventura River Water District**  
AP Check Register (Current by Bank)  
Check Dates: 7/1/2023 to 7/31/2023

Check No.	Date	Status*	Vendor ID	Payee Name	Amount
<b>BANK ID: RBOGEN - OPERATING ACCOUNT</b>					<b>10005</b>
17774	07/15/23	P	790	CHASE CARD SERVICES	\$1,106.03
17775	07/15/23	V	790		
17776	07/15/23	P	10111	DATA PROSE	\$1,114.19
17777	07/15/23	P	1393	FGL, INC.	\$720.00
17778	07/15/23	P	10134	HERUM CRABTREE SUNTAG	\$125.46
17779	07/15/23	P	10170	IVR Technology Group	\$82.99
17780	07/15/23	P	10154	LIGHT GABLER	\$245.00
17781	07/15/23	P	10204	NELSON COMIS KETTLE & KINNEY,	\$5,395.00
17782	07/15/23	P	2625	PHOENIX CIVIL ENGINEERING, INC	\$3,166.75
17783	07/15/23	P	3125	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON	\$11,078.63
17784	07/15/23	P	10163	WATERSHED PROGRESSIVE	\$20,120.00
17785	07/15/23	P	10197	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	\$93.49
17786	07/15/23	P	126	ASSOC WATER AGENCIES OF VTA CA	\$75.00
17787	07/15/23	P	1010	COUNTY OF VENTURA	\$1,630.44
17788	07/15/23	P	1268	DIAL SECURITY	\$40.00
17789	07/15/23	P	1390	FAMCON PIPE & SUPPLY, INC.	\$78.29
17790	07/15/23	P	1730	KELLY CLEANING & SUPPLIES	\$290.00
17791	07/15/23	P	1775	LAFCO	\$1,977.00
17792	07/15/23	P	1950	MEINERS OAKS HARDWARE	\$164.90
17793	07/15/23	P	2025	MITEC SOLUTIONS LLC	\$1,609.17
17794	07/15/23	P	2375	OJAI TERMITE & PEST CONTROL	\$183.00
17795	07/15/23	P	10127	OJAI TRUE VALUE	\$67.79
17796	07/15/23	P	2400	OJAI VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT	\$118.24
17797	07/15/23	P	3550	UNDERGROUND SERVICE ALERT	\$64.25
17798	07/15/23	P	10181	VCSDA	\$150.00
17799	07/15/23	P	10144	VENTURA COUNTY RESOURCE CONSER	\$566.50
17800	07/15/23	P	10206	VENTURA SIGNS & SCREEN PRINTIN	\$729.47
17801	07/15/23	P	10123	ZWORLD GIS, LLC	\$1,666.96
**17815	07/31/23	P	10197	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	\$190.15
17816	07/31/23	P	300	AQUA-FLO SUPPLY	\$89.69
17817	07/31/23	P	10094	BADGER METER	\$1,045.59
17818	07/31/23	P	750	CASITAS MUNICIPAL WATER DIST	\$11,523.67
17819	07/31/23	P	10111	DATA PROSE	\$1,219.26
17820	07/31/23	P	1268	DIAL SECURITY	\$502.00
17821	07/31/23	P	1393	FGL, INC.	\$540.00
17822	07/31/23	P	1396	FP MAILING SOLUTIONS	\$105.41
17823	07/31/23	P	1950	MEINERS OAKS HARDWARE	\$98.88
17824	07/31/23	P	2025	MITEC SOLUTIONS LLC	\$2,240.20
17825	07/31/23	P	10183	Nathan Rosser	\$6.55
17826	07/31/23	P	2375	OJAI TERMITE & PEST CONTROL	\$163.00
17827	07/31/23	P	10127	OJAI TRUE VALUE	\$29.67
17828	07/31/23	P	10072	CARMEN MURILLO	\$1,650.00
17829	07/31/23	P	3300	STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL	\$25.00
17830	07/31/23	P	3550	UNDERGROUND SERVICE ALERT	\$98.96
17831	07/31/23	P	3555	UNIVAR USA INC	\$1,472.86
17832	07/31/23	P	10181	VCSDA	\$50.00
17833	07/31/23	P	10148	VENTURA COUNTY APCD	\$1,410.00
17834	07/31/23	P	10123	ZWORLD GIS, LLC	\$1,950.00
<b>BANK RBOGEN REGISTER TOTAL:</b>					<b>\$77,069.44</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL :</b>					<b>\$77,069.44</b>

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**DATE:** August 16, 2023  
**TO:** Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Bert Rapp, P.E. General Manager and  
Alma Quezada, P.G. Assistant General Manager  
**SUBJECT:** BOARD VACANCY INTERVIEW OF CANDIDATES

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### **SUMMARY**

Director Nathan Rosser has notified the District that he would like to resign his position effective August 16, 2023. The Board needs to appoint someone to fill the upcoming vacancy. The appointee will need to run in the November 5, 2024 election cycle for Director Rosser's seat.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

The Assistant General Manager recommends that the Board interview the interested candidates and appoint a replacement.

### **BACKGROUND**

When a District is notified of an upcoming vacancy, the remaining Board Members have 60 days from the effective date of the vacancy to fill the seat by (1) appointment; deadline of October 15, 2023, or (2) at a special election currently scheduled to take place on March 5, 2024. If an appointment is not made on August 16<sup>th</sup> then it would need to be made on September 20<sup>th</sup> or a special Board meeting called before October 15<sup>th</sup> to make the appointment. Otherwise a special election will be held on March 5, 2024.

At the June 21, 2023 meeting, the Board voted to appoint the vacant seat. The appointed candidate shall fill the balance of the unexpired term of their predecessor currently set to expire on December 6, 2024. If the appointed individual would like to remain on the Board beyond the expired term, they must run in the next general election taking place on November 5, 2024.

To advertise the vacancy, staff included a bill stuffer in the District's July and August water bills and advertised it in the July and August newsletters.

To fulfill the requirements of Government Code Section 1780, District staff posted a notice of the Board vacancy on July 11, 2023, a minimum of 15 days before the Board makes an appointment on August 16, 2023. The notice was posted at:

1. Ojai Valley Ranch Market
2. Corner Market
3. Casitas Market
4. Meiners Oaks Hardware Store

To date, a three responses have been received: Mr. Rick Allen, Dr. Laurie Lary and Mr. Kurt Schultzel. The candidates will be interviewed for the vacancy during this Board Item.

The District's Legal Counsel has provided the following guidelines for conducting the interviews:

1. The Board has a fair amount of discretion to handle the interviews however they see fit, as long as the interview of each candidate is held in open session. The Board can ask that each candidate leave the room as the other candidate is being interviewed, should that be the preferred approach. Of course, since it is an open meeting, the Board cannot force the candidates or any other member of the public to leave. But they can be asked to do so as a courtesy and in order to preserve the integrity of the interview process.
2. Same thing applies with regard to the post-interview discussion. It will be an open session, so the candidates cannot be forced to leave the room. But they can be asked to do so if the Board feels that it will allow for a more candid discussion.

When the candidates were invited to participate in the interview, they were asked to state their preference for an individual or group interview. All three candidates expressed that they are flexible and will accommodate the method desired by the Board.

#### **FISCAL SUMMARY**

Appointing a candidate will have costs associated with bill insert advertising of approximately \$1,000 for two months and a County Election registration cost of \$500.

If a special election is held the cost will be about \$4,000 to \$6,000.





## APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO A SPECIAL DISTRICT VACANCY

**Instructions:** If you are interested in serving on a special district Board of Directors, please complete this application and return it to: 409 Old Baldwin Rd, Ojai, CA 93023

Date Due: **August 15, 2023**

Candidates will be interviewed by an Ad-Hoc Committee. You will be advised by the district board if your appointment is confirmed. Thank you for your interest.

District: Ventura River Water District Date: August 6, 2023

Name: Laurel "Laurie" J. Lary Age (optional): 55

Residence Address: 1824 Country Place, Ojai, 93023

Business or Mailing Address: 1824 Country Place, Ojai, 93023

Phone (Daytime): 805-798-5411 Phone (Evening): 805-798-5411

E-Mail: laurieaojai@roadrunner.com

Education			
Institution	Major	Degree	Year
New York University	Leadership & Innovation	Ed.D	2023
California Lutheran University	Educational Leadership English	M.A.	2007
University of California, Santa Barbara		B.A. w/Honors	1988

Work / Volunteer Experience				
Organization	City	Position	From	To
Ventura County Office of Education	Camarillo	Executive Director of Career Education	2019	2023
Santa Paula Unified School District	Santa Paula	College & Career Coord; Assistant Principal SPHS	2014	2019
Ojai Unified School District	Ojai	NHS Teacher, Summer Principal, Program Coord.	2001	2014



## STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

Please briefly describe your qualifications and why you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors.

Water is our most valuable resource. With growing concerns about extreme weather conditions, increased risks of fire, and proliferation of plastics in our environment, along with my love for the Ojai Valley, its people and natural resources, and recognizing the economic vitality that makes it possible for ordinary people such as myself to live here, I seek to serve on the Board of Directors of the Ventura River Water District.

Wise management of the Ventura River is critical for providing for the citizens of our valley while protecting our natural resources including agriculture and wildlife, along with the oceans fed by our Ventura River. I grew up in Oak View, on Grapevine Street and later behind then-Arnaz School, which I attended from kindergarten through sixth grade. As a child, on drives up the 33, my family would stop to enjoy the water from the natural spring piped to the side of the road. Water was a source of refreshment and recreation. As a teenager, summers were spent hiking down to the river and rope swinging into swimming holes or riding the SCAT bus to the beach. At home, water meant summer garden, where we grew our own vegetables.

After living in Ventura and Oregon in my early adult years, I returned to the Ojai Valley in 2001 where I raised my two children. I worked at Nordhoff from 2001-2014, and subsequently in Santa Paula and at the Ventura County Office of Education. An outdoor enthusiast, I enjoy hiking, running, biking, and both ocean and pool swimming. Formerly an avid skier, I enjoy time in the Eastern Sierras. In more recent years, I have been converting my yard to native species.

My professional career and formal education complement my community roots. These include project vision and development, policy analysis, performance gap analysis, identifying solutions, and creating process improvements. My NYU doctoral program in Leadership and Innovation is designed for intersegmental leaders. I have extensive experience with grant writing, work plan management, and reporting. While the focus has been in the education setting, transferable skills and processes include problem-definition, stakeholder analysis and conducting qualitative research. In SPUSD I played an integral role in the development of the Agricultural Center, managing grant funding and facilitating the advisory committee. In my leadership role at the VCOE I was responsible for \$5m-\$10m annual budgets, hiring and HR processes, and department contracts. I served at the intersection of K12, higher education, industry, and non-profits, working with the Economic Development Collaborative, the Workforce Development Board, leaders of Oxnard, Moorpark, and Ventura Colleges and the Ventura County Community College District. I represented K12 in industry such as with the RDP-21 (Regional Defense Partnership for the 21st Century).

I bring a fair-minded approach to leadership of the water district, balancing needs of the citizens and our natural resources. It is my pleasure to serve as a Director of this Board.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

I certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct. I authorize the verification of the information in this application.

  
Signature

August 6, 2023  
Date



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Date Due: July 31, 2023

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District: Ventura River Water District Date: 07/19/23

Name: Kurt J Schultzel Age (optional): 61

Residence Address: 59 Alto Drive, Oak View, CA. 93022

Business or Mailing Address: 59 Alto Drive, Oak View, CA. 93022

Phone (Daytime): (805)844-6325 Phone (Evening): (805)844-6325

E-Mail: schultzelkj@roadrunner.com

Education			
Institution	Major	Degree	Year
UCSB	Mechanical Engr	BS	1985
Naval Post Graduate School	Advanced Acquisition Program	Masters	2009

Work / Volunteer Experience				
Organization	City	Position	From	To
Naval Surface Warfare Center	Port Hueneme, Ca.	Various; see below	7/1985	3/2018

## STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

Please briefly describe your qualifications and why you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors.

Over my 33 year career with the Navy I have served in many different capacities starting with Missile Systems Engineer which included the test, evaluation, integration, and fielding of complex integrated combat systems into the Navy surface fleet. I also led groups of engineers and technicians at the branch (30), division (90), and department (300) levels. This included planning, managing, and executing annual budgets for the station and program sponsors, hiring, and providing personnel support to the employees.

I was also the department system engineer for all missiles and launching systems on the command standardizing engineering best practices and ensuring compliance with Navy mandated regulations/initiatives. I served as the program manager for a new shipbuilding class for all station activities, and in addition, developed strategic planning artifacts that resulted in the location of a major service/support facility being located at the base and resulting in a sizable impact to Ventura county workforce opportunities.

My last position on the command was to stand up the first Office of Technology where I acted as the Chief Technology Officer. Under legislation directed at accelerating the introduction of new technologies into the fleet I established new labs, worked with CTO's from 8 other warfare centers around the country, identified and prioritized emerging technology that could solve identified fleet capability gaps and performance issues, built and tested developmental systems, and worked with DoD to accelerate fleet deployment of the capabilities that proved to be feasible. We also developed a significant partnering network with industry and academia and incentive programs involving the sharing of intellectual property which allowed the use of non-classified technologies for civilian applications. An example technology that might apply to VRWD is the cyber security of SCADA system which are also used by the Navy for HM&E shipboard systems.

Local organizations that may provide useful partnership opportunities for VRWD include Naval Civil Engineering Lab (NCEL) at Port Hueneme who have to deal with water delivery technologies among other things and Regional Development Program 21 (RDP-21) which supports, advocates and facilitates among the military, private enterprise and government to preserve Ventura County's military assets and regional economy.

The thought of participating on the board appeals to me because I am well acquainted with public service and our water resources are critical to the community. I enjoy working with others in a collaborative capacity and problem solving for the challenges of providing a reliable water source to the community for the next 100 years. Having worked in government for 33 years I also understand that there is a need and purpose for regulations but that there is also a difference between interpretation in particular circumstances and blanket application of those regulations. I believe that the customers of the VRWD deserve board members and active staff that can identify innovative solutions to help people meet their needs without violating established norms.

The experiences I listed above demonstrate my commitment to service and my ability to approach my responsibilities with integrity and an open mind.

Thank you for considering my request to serve as a board member.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

I certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct. I authorize the verification of the information in this application.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

07/19/23  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Richard (Rick) Allen

83 Grapevine Rd

Oak View Ca 93022

**Career in electrical industry highlights.**

April 1972 IBEW national electrical apprentice

October 1972 drafted into the US Army served until September 1974

September 1974 returned to IBEW electrical apprenticeship completed June 1978

**Project highlights**

1978 – 1982 C.E. Miller on shore and off shore oil production facilities. General foreman

1982-1986 System Development Corp. Computer center and company headquarters. General foreman

1986-1987 General motors Headquarters building General foreman

1987-1988 Ramada hotel Simi .General foreman

1988-1990 Victorian hospital/retirement facility Ventura. General foreman

1991-1994 Great Western Bank computer center and headquarters Northridge. General foreman

1994-1997 Fox Studios Hollywood NFL production facilities. General foreman / Project manager

1997-1998 Simi police station. General foreman

1998-2000 Baxter BIO facility Thousand Oaks. General foreman

2000-2001 Conexant Clean room facility thousand Oaks. General foreman

2001-2003 LA County courthouse Lancaster . General foreman

2003-2004 LAC-USC Replacement Hospital . Design and co ordination.

2004-2005 Yahoo Facility Burbank. General foreman

2005-2007 Kaiser Downey Hospital . Preconstruction and design

2007-2014, Taft electric preconstruction department multiple projects including CMH Hospital.

2014 to present- retired

1979-2007 IBEW 952 apprenticeship night class instructor

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**DATE:** August 16, 2023  
**TO:** Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Alma Quezada, P.G., Assistant General Manager  
**SUBJECT:** WATER AND DISTRICT STATUS

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## **WELLS & PRODUCTION**

The static aquifer level at Well #2 on August 1, 2023, was at elevation 546.7feet; and decreased 2.4 feet since the first of last month. The aquifer is 26.0 feet above the 35-year average for August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Well #1 is pumping 1,076 gpm, down 62 gpm from last month. Well #7 is pumping 839 gpm, down 57 gpm from last month, Wells #2, #3, #4 and #6 were off-line in July.

## **USAGE**

Sales dollars billed on July 31, 2023, amounted to \$224,763, (\$32,512) under budget for July. Last year we billed \$242,688 during the same period. Water sold in July 2023 amounted to 29,639 HCF, a decrease of 52.5% below the 62,374 HCF sold in July 2013.

Charts are enclosed to depict the ground water status and water usage. On August 1, 2023, Lake Casitas level was at 73.2% of full capacity at elevation 541.00, with storage of 174,303 AF. The lake decreased 0.8%, 0.65 feet and 446 AF since last month.

ET adjustment: The ET was reduced by 9% for the July 31<sup>st</sup> water bill because ET was below average for the period June 15<sup>th</sup> to July 15<sup>th</sup> due to the cooler/foggy weather. This decreases the irrigation portion of the customer's monthly water budget.

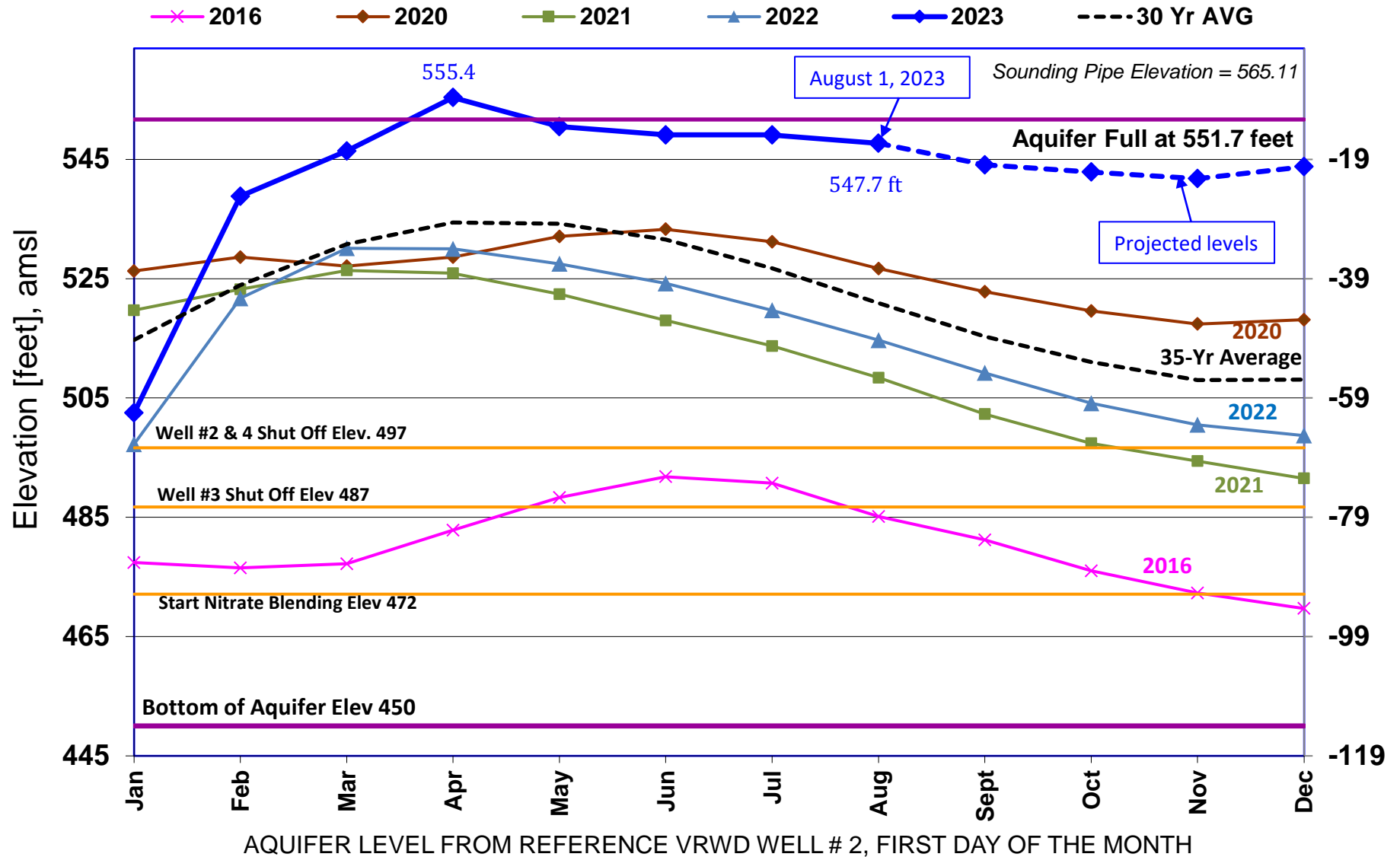
## **ACTIVITIES**

Beginning the week of July 17<sup>th</sup> our SCADA system began fail and we are spending a lot of overtime to keep the water pumping. The problem may be due to radio interference, a power surge from Edison or our latest component suspect is a Programmable Logic Controller (PLC) at the Parker Booster Station. We are currently looking to find a replacement PLC.

There were no customer complaints in July.

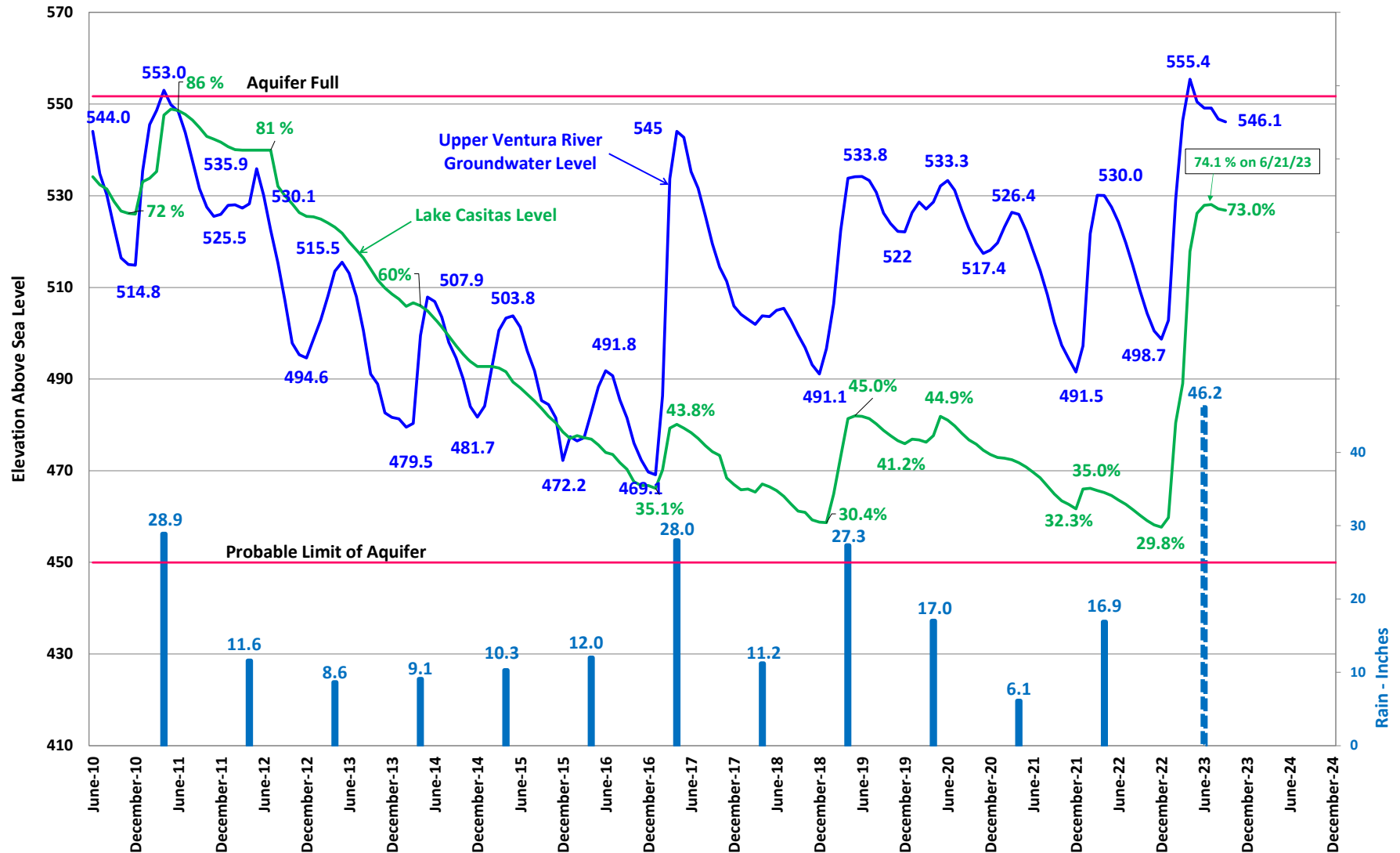
CHART 2

# WATER LEVEL HYDROGRAPH



# VENTURA RIVER UPPER BASIN & LAKE CASITAS LEVELS August 9, 2023

Chart 9





# Ventura River WD Water Usage Compared to 2013

Chart 7

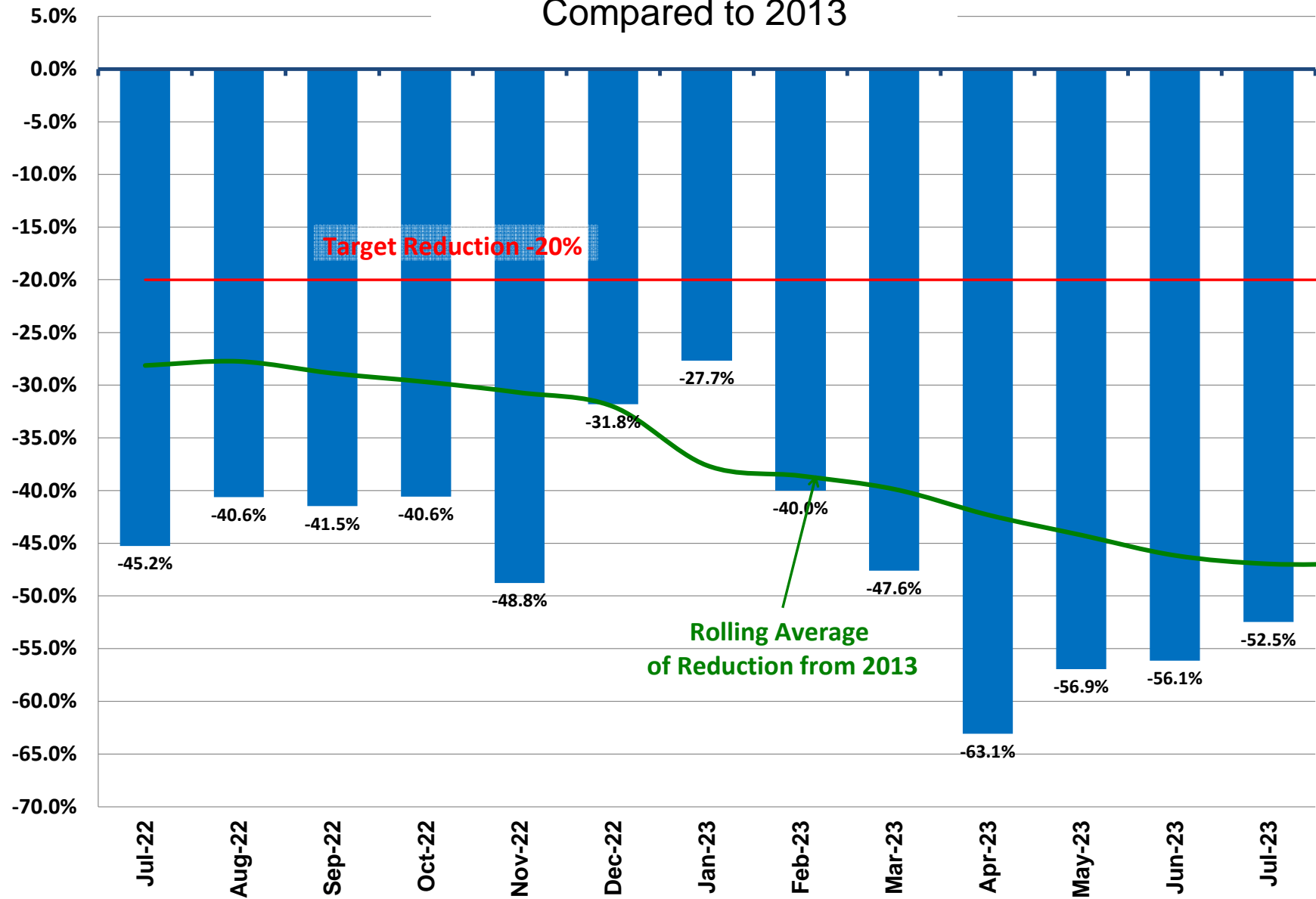
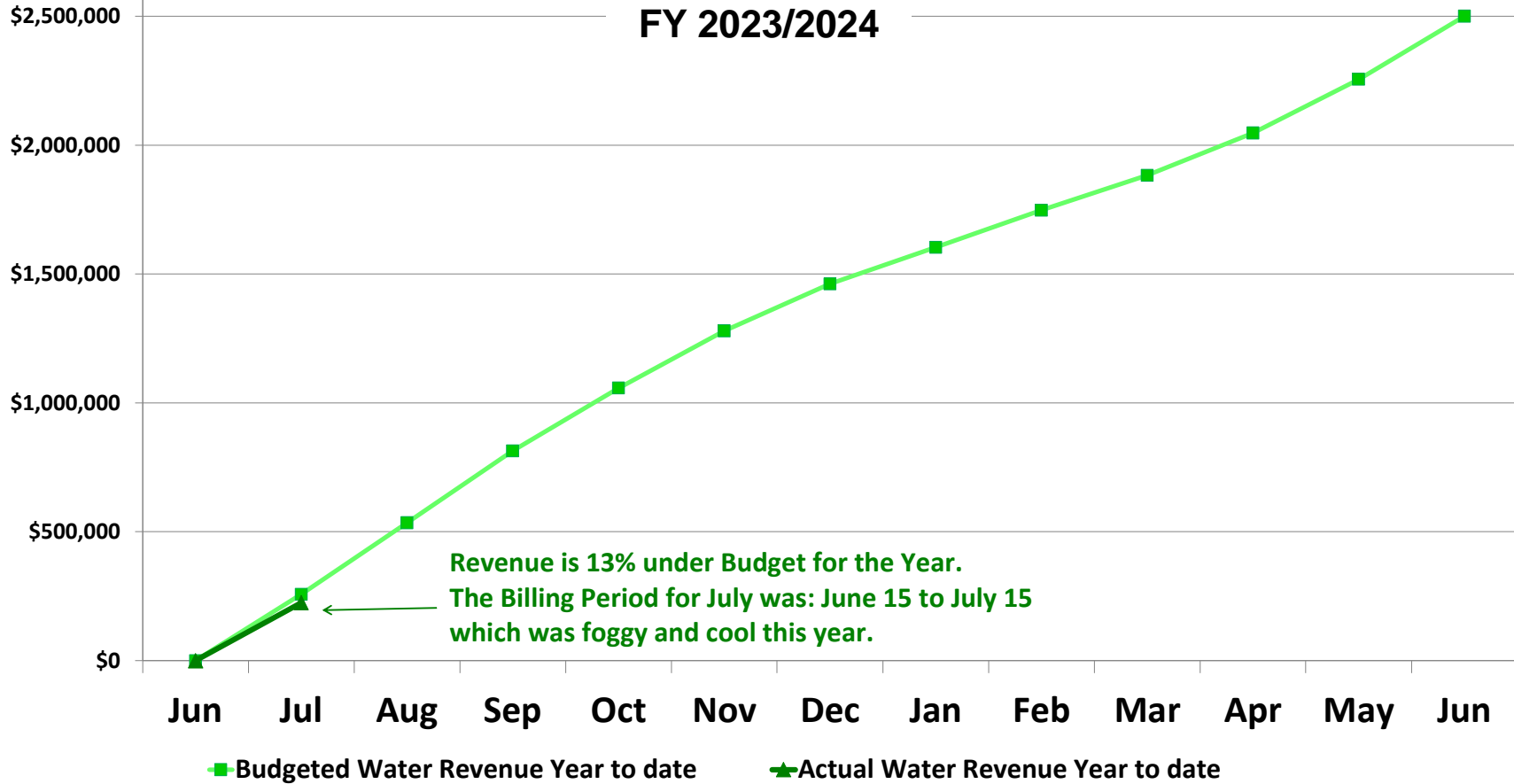


Chart 8A

## Water Revenues FY 2023/2024



## Water Usage FY 2023/2024

