

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

November 15, 2023

Alma Quezada, P.G. Bert Rapp, P.E.

Limit of 5 minutes per person



Item 3: Consent Agenda

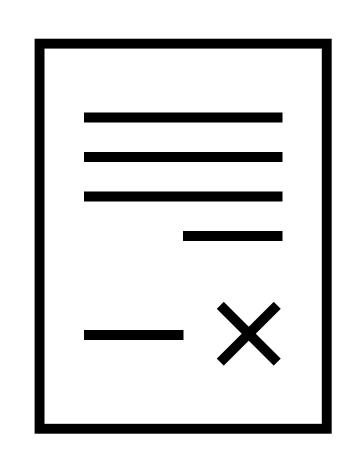
- ➤ Minutes October 18, 2023
- Minutes for Special Board Meeting on October 26, 2023
- Payments & Checks for October 2023

ITEM 4 GENERAL
MANAGER
EMPLOYMENT
AGREEMENT



BACKGROUND

- Special Board Meeting on October 26, 2023
- Board negotiated the terms & conditions of an employment agreement



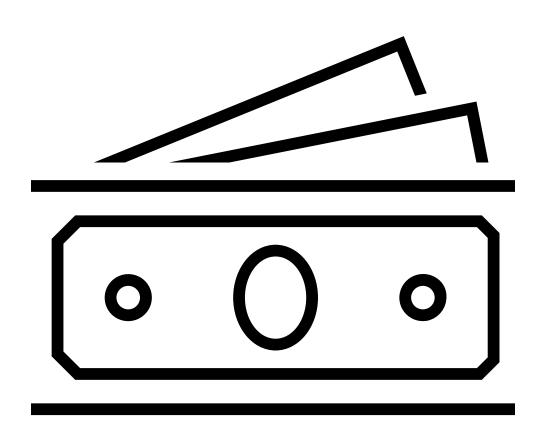
KEY ELEMENTS OF AGREEMENT

- Annual salary of \$155,580
- Exclusivity clause for the General Manager to devote all his/her time, attention, energy, knowledge and skill to the performance of duties
- General Leave: 5 days of leave benefits above what is provided in the personnel leave policy
- Vehicle allowance: the District agrees to provide a motor vehicle for reasonable use in the performance of duties
- For involuntary severance unrelated to misconduct, three months compensation and benefits paid
- All other compensation and benefits as provided to other District employees



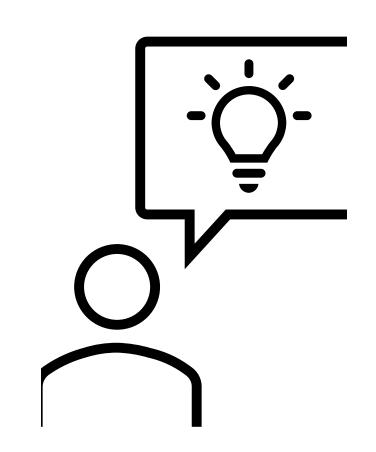
FISCAL IMPACT

 The promotion of the Assistant General Manager to the General Manager's position is incorporated in the adopted 2023/24 budget



RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approve the final draft of the employment agreement with Alma Quezada as General Manager for the District





Background

IN JUNE OF 2020, A METER
WAS REPLACED FOR A
CUSTOMER LOCATED ON
THE 800 BLOCK OF CAMBON
CIRCLE



DURING THE METER
REPLACEMENT, THE METER
MULTIPLIER WAS
INCORRECTLY SET IN THE
BILLING SYSTEM AT 0.001
INSTEAD OF THE CORRECT
MULTIPLIER OF 0.01,



CUSTOMER UNDERBILLED A
TOTAL OF \$1,158 FOR ~3
YEARS



ERROR WAS ENTIRELY ON THE DISTRICT'S END, AFFECTED CUSTOMER HAD NO WAY OF KNOWING ABOUT THE INCORRECT METER MULTIPLIER



STAFF PROMPTLY
INVESTIGATED THE ISSUE &
MADE CHANGES TO OUR
STANDARD PROCEDURES

Monetary Threshold





PER THE DISTRICT'S R & R'S, THE GENERAL MANAGER IS AUTHORIZED TO NEGOTIATE & RESOLVE MINOR DISAGREEMENTS FOR AMOUNTS UP TO \$250

THE DOLLAR AMOUNT EXCEEDS THE \$250 THRESHOLD \$1,158 FOR 3-YEARS

Timeframe for Collecting Back Charges

THE DISTRICT'S R & R'S
ARE SILENT ON A SPECIFIC
TIMEFRAME FOR
COLLECTING BACK
CHARGES FOR A NONREGISTERING METER AND
ALLOW FLEXIBILITY IN
DETERMINING AN
APPROPRIATE PERIOD



STAFF SOUGHT ADVICE FROM LEGAL COUNSEL TO DETERMINE A TIMEFRAME AND WERE ADVISED THAT THE ANSWER IS NOT CLEAR CUT



UNDER CIVIL PROCEDURE CODE SEC. 338, A 3-YEAR STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS IS IMPOSED FOR ACTIONS BASED ON "A LIABILITY CREATED BY STATUTE." BY ANALOGY, THIS PROVISION HAS BEEN INTERPRETED BY THE COURTS TO APPLY TO A **CLAIM BY A COUNTY** SANITATION DISTRICT TO **COLLECT WASTEWATER DISCHARGE SURCHARGES** FROM A CUSTOMER, WHEN SURCHARGES ARE ESTABLISHED BY DISTRICT **ORDINANCE**

$Fiscal\,Impact$

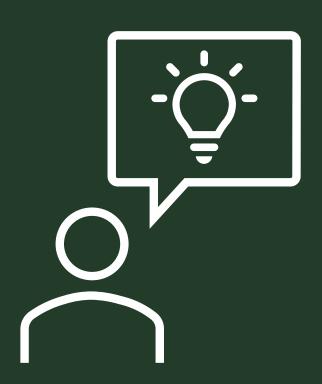




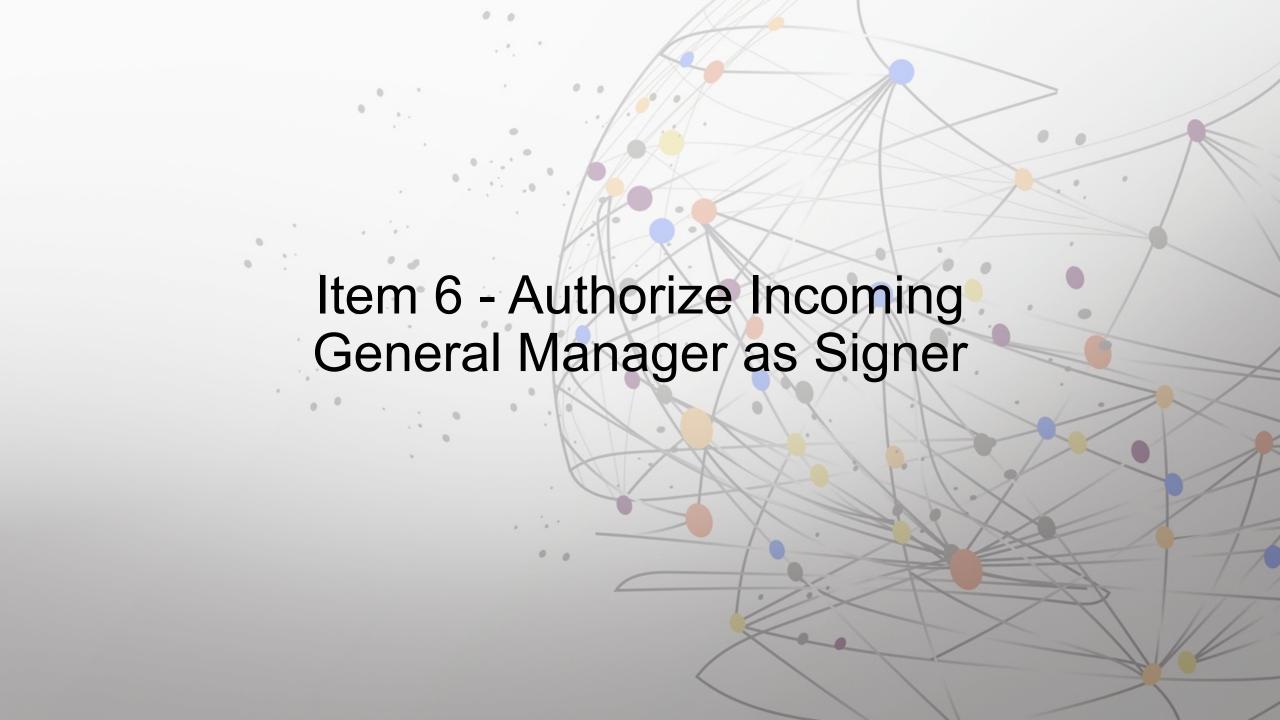


STAFF BELIEVES THAT TAKING
RESPONSIBILITY FOR OUR ERROR
DEMONSTRATES OUR COMMITMENT TO
CUSTOMER SERVICE AND FAIRNESS IS OF
UTMOST IMPORTANCE TO HELPING US
UPHOLD THE DISTRICT'S POSITIVE
REPUTATION.

$Recommended\ Action$



WAIVE CHARGES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,158
FOR PERIOD COVERING JUNE 2020 THROUGH
SEPTEMBER 2023



BACKGROUND

The Board appointed Alma Quezada to the position of General Manager on October 26, 2023

Resolution is needed to grant access of the District's accounts to the new GM

Involvement of the GM in financial matter is vital for a smooth transition and effective management of District operations



RECOMMENDED ACTION

The General Manager recommends that the Board approve Resolution 2023-362 to authorize the incoming General Manager as a signer on the District's accounts and take other actions related to the District's accounts and finances

Item 7 Resolution
Authorizing
Acceptance of
DWR Grant for
Casitas Mutual



The District is currently working towards consolidating the Casitas Mutual into the District's service area

BACKGROUND

Casitas Mutual secured a grant from the DWR in the amount of \$980,200 of which approximately \$800,000 remains

No matching requirement

This funding is separate from the Casitas Mutual Consolidation funding to be provided through the State's SRF program for 100% funding of technical support & construction

Resolution must be adopted for the District to assume the grant

BACKGROUND

If the grant is transferred to the District, we will oversee the remaining engineering design, grant management and construction of the project

Will require an unknown amount of staff time

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Adopt Resolution 2023-363 authorizing the General Manager or their designee to execute the funding agreement with the Department of Water Resources and any amendments thereto, and submit any required documents, invoices, and reports required to obtain grant funding





ITEM 8 CONCURRENCE
WITH
VOLUNTEER
AGREEMENT

BACKGROUND

Mr. Rapp is scheduled to retire on December 31, 2023, and has expressed his interest in volunteering at the District by assisting with tasks such as removing surplus rocks or fallen oak trees

The insurance carrier has confirmed there is no issue with liability provided legal counsel agrees with the hold harmless agreement

Legal counsel has amended the hold harmless agreement

This agreement would release the District from any liability for accidents, injuries, or damage that may occur while Mr. Rapp is volunteering

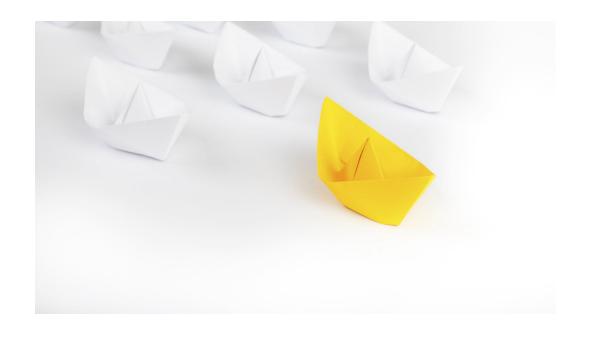


FISCAL IMPACT

THERE IS NO FISCAL IMPACT ASSOCIATED WITH THE APPROVAL AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDED ACTION

THE GENERAL MANAGER RECOMMENDS
THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE
RESOLUTION AS PRESENTED AND
CONCUR WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF THE VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT





Item 9 - Amend Fees for Special Meeting in Rules & Regs

BACKGROUND

- The District's present policy requires a total fee of \$1,075 for a person or organization to call a Special Board Meeting
- This fee amount no longer covers the cost of the meeting and needs to be amended to reflect current costs
- Staff has calculated proposed fees based on current board members', staff, and legal compensation rates and any legal noticing requirements



Proposed Fees



SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING FEE SCHEDULE

BOARD MEMBER FEE'S	\$1,500
ATTORNEY FEE'S FOR ANY PART OF AN HOUR INCL. TRAVEL	\$1,200
STAFF & RECORDER	\$ 300
LEGAL NOTIFICATION	\$ 100
TOTAL:	\$3,100



RECOMMENDED ACTION

The General Manager recommends that the Board approve the increase to the Special Board Meeting fees and incorporate them into Appendix III of the Rules and Regulations for Water Service





BACKGROUND

Earlier this year, a water rate study was performed and showed increases needed for FY 2023/24 and 2024/25.

Water rate study was influenced by two key factors:

- · Financial commitments associated with the District's CIP, and
- Inflation costs

The Board approved a 2-year rate increase for FY 22/23 and 23/24

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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

- The District's 10-year Capital Improvement Plan has not changed significantly
- The proposed rate adjustment will enable the District to meet financial obligations and complete the planned capital improvements
- Many of the projects will be funded through a \$10 million, zero interest loan provided by the State
- Additionally, the District is hopeful that a pending grant application will be awarded to reduce future rate increases

Fiscal Year beginning July 1 ending June 30	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS			
Hydrant Replacement - 264 ea replace 5 old Hyd and 5 infill Hyd every			
two years			
Valve Replacement - 500 ea replace 10 every two years Re-Plumb Encino & Thomas PRV Vaults			
Ojai Terrace (Vons Tract) Old Pipe Replacement			
Emergency Casitas Turnout: Carillo Rd. or La Paz Ojai Terrace?			
Pressure Reducing Station Encino @ Thomas			
Johnny Cash Way Main Replacement			\$197,963
Santa Ana Water Main - relocate out of back yards	\$1,962,000		
Loma Drive - Villanova to 1,000' North CASITAS SPRINGS FIRE BOOSTER PUMP (when lake < elev 480 ±			
Not Scheduled)			
Nova Lane In-Fill Pipe HWY 33/150 to Well #6	\$838,000		
Casitas Springs hydrants on Hwy 33 utilizing easements	·		
Old Grade @ Entrance to Mobile Home Park, extend pipe & add			
1418 Trusty Lane, extend pipe & add hydrant, 350' of 6" 9220 Nye Road, extend pipe & add hydrant, 172' of 6"		\$77,385	
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Solar at Baldwin Site (includes Offices)	\$428,099	\$445,773	
Solar at Parker Site	\$271,694	\$282,910	
- 1980/AMP-11120A NGCO			
Tico Annexation Construction & LAFCo	\$1,301,000		
WELLS			
WELL # 1 - Drilled 1990, during next cleaning: do spinner log & plug	-		
bottom & replace open impeller pump	\$13,254		
WELL #4 - Maintenance Replace pump with VFD Water Lube			
WELL #6 Maintenance (WELL # 5, Curtis)			
WELL #7 Maintenance			
SCADA SYSTEM			
SCADA SYSTEM UPGRADE	\$162,955		
SCADA STSTEM OF GRADE	\$102,933		
TANKS			
BALDWIN TANK North, 1997, 184,000 Gal, 38.67' Dia 24.1' H			
Replace 2024	\$1,907,000		
			400
BALDWIN TANK South, 2006, 184,000 Gal 39' Dia 24' H Replace 2046			
ALTO TANKS N & S 1998, 753,000 Gal 65.4 Dia X 32.17 H Replace 2038		\$113,122	
2000		ψ113,122	
PARKER TANK, 2001, 529,000 Gal, 80.17' Dia x 16' H Replace 2041			
Add 2nd Parker Tank	\$2,878,000		
Tank Inspection every 5 years. Includes minor repairs.			
PUMPS			la la
Baldwin Booster Station, Pump & Motor Rebuild	\$1,734,700		
Baldwin Switch Gear Replacement	\$837,100		
Baldwin Booster Station, Flood Proofing - Raise Chlorine, build	<u> </u>		
barrier	\$1,334,000		
PARKER BOOSTER STATION, 2002, Pump & Motor Rebuild with	0400 000		
VFD's	\$198,000 \$320,000		
PARKER VFD to Zone 5	\$32U,UUU		
MISCELLANEOUS			* 1
Baldwin Generator Sound Wall	\$88,000		
Water Rate development by consultant once every 10-years			\$58,554
Miscellaneous water system items per historical average	\$0	\$0	\$0
SUBTOTAL Water System Improvements	\$14,273,802	\$919,191	\$256,517

Tier	Current	Tier Increase on 1/15/24	01/15/24	
Single-Family Residential				
1	\$5.59	\$0.53	\$6.12	
2	\$7.25	\$0.64	\$7.89	
3	\$9.64	\$0.85	\$10.49	
4	\$13.44	\$1.18	\$14.62	
Multi Family Residential				
1	\$6.98	\$0.62	\$7.60	
Commercial				
1	\$6.81	\$0.60	\$7.41	
*HCF = Hundred Cubic Feet of water = one unit = 748 gallons.				

FISCAL IMPACT - ADOPTED RATES FOR JAN 15, 2023

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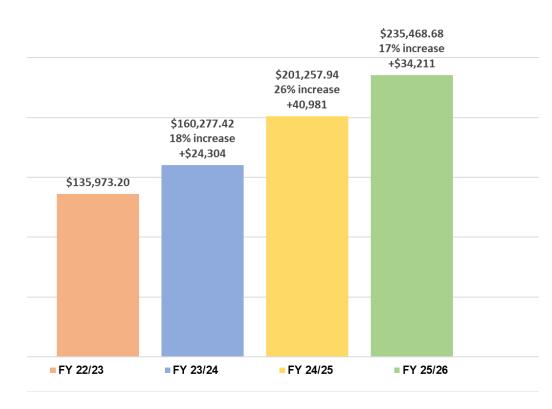
FISCAL IMPACT

- Casitas is proposing new rates beginning January 1, 2024
- The increase represents approximately 1.8% of our revenues (~\$45,000 for coming year)
- The District is currently 6% under budget for the year
- Wholesale water rate increases can be passed through to our customers under the District's Rules & Regs



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Cost Increases by Fiscal Year for Casitas Meters



ESTIMATE OF CASITAS COST INCREASES

FY 22/23	Monthly Adjudication Fee	Monthly Standby Meter Fee	Annual Water Usage	Existing	Annual Cost
			Total	For FY 22/23	\$135,973.20
FY 23/24	July to Decem	ber 2023			Annual Cost
			FY 2	023/24 Costs:	\$160,277.42
FY 24/25	July to Decem	ber 2024			
			FY 2	024/25 Costs:	\$201,257.94
FY 25/26	July to Decem	ber 2025			
		FY 2	025/26 Costs:	\$235,468.68	

FISCAL IMPACTS

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FISCAL IMPACTS

ESTIMATE OF CASITAS COST INCREASES BY CALENDAR YEAR

2023	Monthly Adjudication Fee	Monthly Standby Meter Fee	Annual Water Usage	Existing	Annual Cost
Chaparral 4"	\$198.24	\$835.07	0	\$2.31	\$12,399.72
150 Cage 6"	\$409.07	\$1,723.14	0	\$2.31	\$25,586.52
Villanova 6"	\$409.07	\$1,723.14	0	\$2.31	\$25,586.52
Monte Via 4"	\$198.24	\$835.07	7,100	\$2.31	\$28,800.72
Casitas 4"	\$198.24	\$835.07	20,000	\$1.56	\$43,599.72
				2023 Costs	: \$135,973.20

2024	January to De	cember					
	Monthly Adjudication Fee	Monthly Standby Meter Fee 1/1/2024	Annual Water Usage	1/1/2024		Change from Prior Year	Annual Cost Increase
Chaparral 4"	\$198.24	\$1,386.78	0	\$2.75	\$19,020.24		
150 Cage 6"	\$409.07	\$2,514.76	0	\$2.75	\$35,085.96		
Villanova 6"	\$409.07	\$2,514.76	0	\$2.75	\$35,085.96		
Monte Via 4"	\$198.24	\$1,386.78	7,100	\$2.75	\$38,545.24		
Casitas 4"	\$198.24	\$1,386.78	20,000	\$1.95	\$58,020.24		
				2024 Costs:	\$185,757.64	37%	\$49,784

2025	January to De	ecember					
	Monthly Adjudication Fee	Monthly Standby Meter Fee 1-1-2025	Annual Water Usage	Water Volume Fee 1/1/2025		Change from Prior Year	Annual Cost Increase
Chaparral 4"	\$198.24	\$1,771.81	0	\$2.98	\$23,640.60		
150 Cage 6"	\$409.07	\$3,011.99	0	\$2.98	\$41,052.72		
Villanova 6"	\$409.07	\$3,011.99	0	\$2.98	\$41,052.72		
Monte Via 4"	\$198.24	\$1,771.81	7,100	\$2.98	\$44,798.60		
Casitas 4"	\$198.24	\$1,771.81	20,000	\$2.16	\$66,840.60		
				2025 Costs:	\$217,385.24	17%	\$31,628

2026	January to De	cember		FY 25/26			
	Monthly Adjudication Fee	Monthly Standby Meter Fee 1-1-2026	Annual Water Usage	Water Volume Fee 1/1/2026		Change from Prior Year	Annual Cost Increase
Chaparral 4"	\$198.24	\$2,250.55	0	\$3.20	\$29,385.48		
150 Cage 6"	\$409.07	\$3,586.50	0	\$3.20	\$47,946.84		
Villanova 6"	\$409.07	\$3,586.50	0	\$3.20	\$47,946.84		
Monte Via 4"	\$198.24	\$2,250.55	7,100	\$3.20	\$52,105.48		
Casitas 4"	\$198.24	\$2,250.55	20,000	\$2.37	\$76,785.48		
				2026 Costs:	\$254,170.12	17%	\$36,785

FISCAL IMPACT FY23/24

Casitas Water Purchases

- \$185,000 = Approved Budget
- \$154,350 = Rate Model
- \$160,277 = Actual



FISCAL IMPACT – NEW RATES WITH PASS THROUGH

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		Single-Family	y Residential		
1	\$5.59	\$0.53	\$6.12	\$0.11	\$6.23
2	\$7.25	\$0.64	\$7.89	\$0.14	\$8.03
3	\$9.64	\$0.85	\$10.49	\$0.19	\$10.68
4	\$13.44	\$1.18	\$14.62	\$0.26	\$14.88
		Multi Family	Residential		
1	\$6.98	\$0.62	\$7.60	\$0.14	\$7.74
		Comm	nercial		
1	\$6.81	\$0.60	\$7.41	\$0.13	\$7.54
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RECOMMENDED OPTIONS

Implement the water rate increase beginning January 15, 2024 as adopted on May 10, 2023 per Resolution 2023-353, and

Implement the Casitas pass-through beginning January 15, 2023, and

Approve Appendix I of Rules & Regulations for Water Service to apply the rate increase effective January 15, 2024

- Fire Standby Charges increasing
- Non-sufficient funds separated to reflect actual District cost

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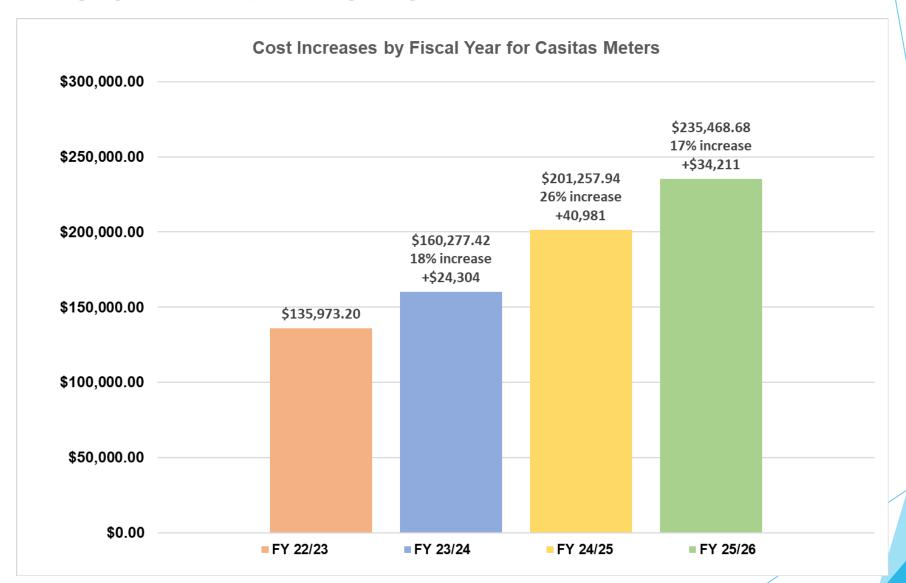
Item 11 - Establish Ad Hoc Committee for a Protest Letter on the Proposed Casitas Water Rate Increases



BACKGROUND

- Casitas Municipal Water District proposes to implement a new rate structure beginning January 1, 2024
- Monthly meter fees that take delivery of CMWD water will increase
- Public Hearing scheduled for December 13, 2023
- The Board can choose to submit a protest letter before then

FISCAL IMPACTS



RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

- Provide direction to staff on whether to pursue submitting a protest letter to Casitas Municipal Water District for the proposed rate increase, and
- If the Board wishes to submit a protest letter, form an ad hoc committee to work with staff to finalize a protest letter



ITEM 12 - ALTO LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT

BACKGROUND

- The driveway leading to the Alto site is outside of the District property
- The adjacent property is 59 Alto Drive
- Staff has reached out to the adjacent property owner and he is fine with the encroachment due to steep hillside location
- Figure shows how the lot line can be adjusted for both properties to remain the same size







The anticipated cost is \$12,000 for surveying and legal



Water revenues are currently 6% under budget for the year



Property owner is amenable with any decision made

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Include the Alto Tank site lot line adjustment in the draft budget for FY 2024/25

Item 9: General Manager's Report on Water & District Status



District Activities



O & M

4 leaks repaired in our service area

Annual audit if off to a later start, completion is anticipated by January at the latest



Regulatory

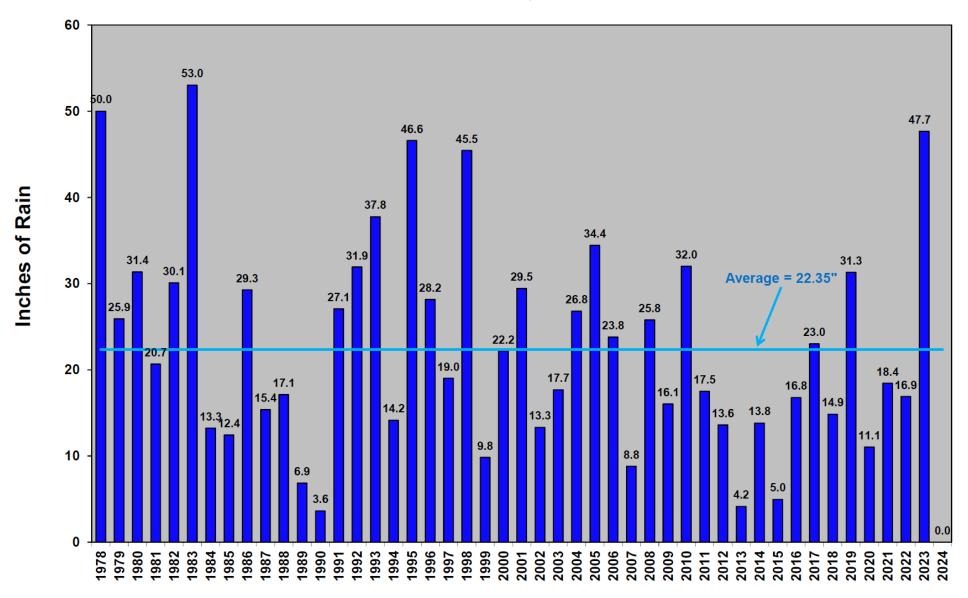
LAFCo hearing for Tico Mutual originally scheduled for 11/15/23, postponed to later date

District Activities

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DATE	STREET	TASTE & ODOR	COLOR	TURBIDITY	WORMS / ORGANISMS	PRESSURE HIGH/LOW	OUTAGE	ILLNESS	VRWD	eak CUSTOMER SIDE	SERVICE or METER	MAIN - SYSTEM	OTHER / DESCRIPTION	FINDINGS COMMENTS
10/19/2023	Thomas St	F	0	<u> </u>	>	<u>а</u>	0	1	>	O	x	Σ	2 inch copper	Water in cul-de-sac on Thomas St. Dug up street to find a 2-inch copper line with a pin hole in it. Clamped leak, sanded pipe,slurried hole, grinded and paved.
10/16/2023	Grapevine Rd										x		1 inch service leak	Leaking 1 inch poly line was found. Sawcut the concrete driveway to the main. Removed concrete and dug down to expose water service and water main. Replaced leaking poly line with copper. Sanded service line and compacted. Doweled into existing concrete and poured back new concrete.
10/24/2023	Capello Way										x		Service line leak	Leaking 1 inch service line that splits to feed 2 homes. Potholed around meter boxes and dug a bell hole in the street over the main. We shut off leaking service line and pulled a new line in its place. Plumbed the new line back to both houses. backfilled and paved to county standards.
10/25/2023	Nye Rd										x		Service line leak	Leaking 1 inch service line. Sawcut driveway from meter box to water main. Dig to expose leaking service line and main. Shut off leaking service line and replaced it with copper. Backfilled and paved to County standard

Historic Annual Rainfall - At VRWD Office

November 1, 2023

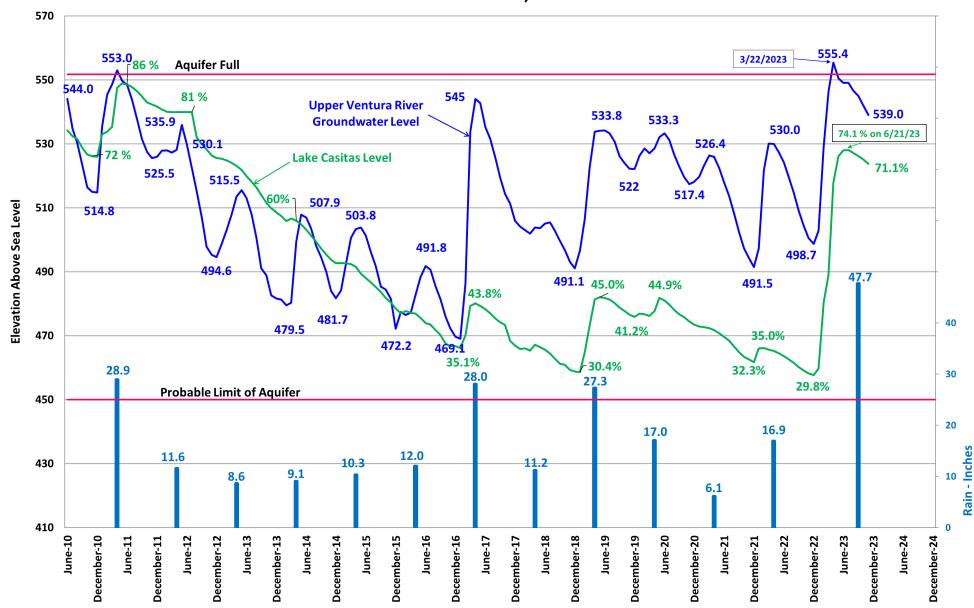


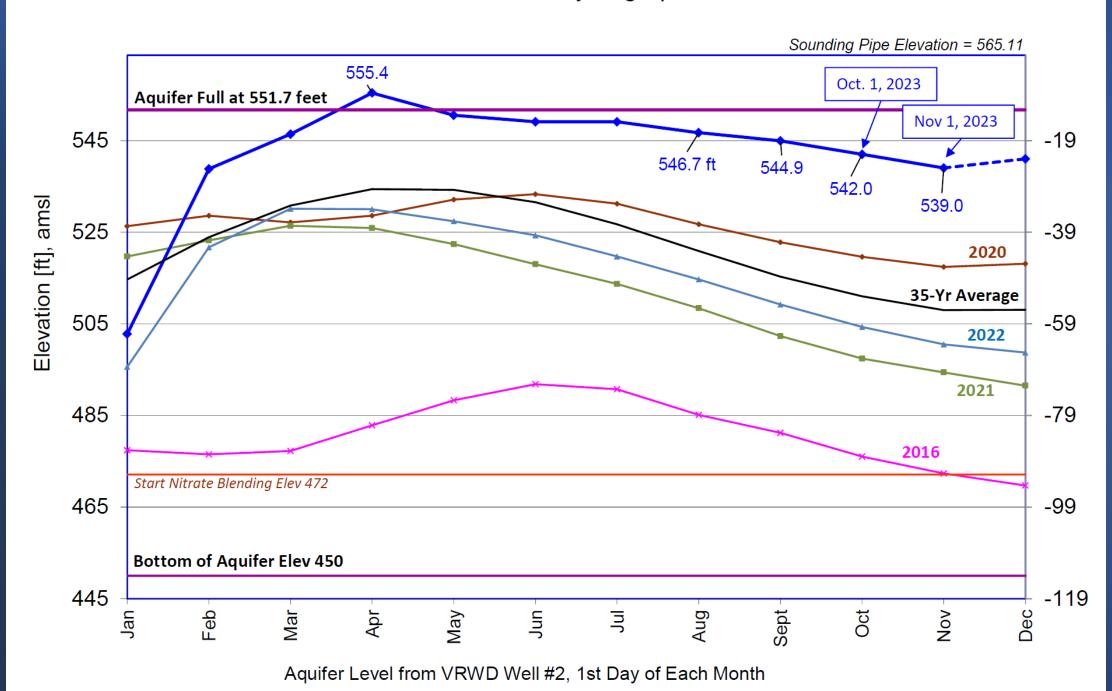
Extended Forecast for Ojai CA

This Afternoon	Tonight	Wednesday	Wednesday Night	Thursday	Thursday Night	Friday	Friday Night	Saturday
	30%	80%	80% → 50 %	40%	40%	60%		
Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy then Chance Showers	Showers	Showers then Chance Showers	Chance Showers	Chance Showers	Showers Likely	Showers	Showers
High: 78 °F	Low: 49 °F	High: 63 °F	Low: 50 °F	High: 68 °F	Low: 46 °F	High: 71 °F	Low: 52 °F	High: 66 °F

Detailed Foreca	ast
This Afternoon	Mostly sunny, with a high near 78. South wind around 10 mph.
Tonight	A 30 percent chance of showers after 4am. Partly cloudy, with a low around 49. East wind around 10 mph. New precipitation amounts of less than a tenth of an inch possible.
Wednesday	Showers, mainly after 10am. High near 63. East wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. Chance of precipitation is 80%. New precipitation amounts between a quarter and half of an inch possible.
Wednesday Night	Showers, mainly before 10pm. Low around 50. East wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. Chance of precipitation is 80%. New precipitation amounts between a quarter and half of an inch possible.
Thursday	A 40 percent chance of showers. Partly sunny, with a high near 68. Southeast wind around 10 mph. New precipitation amounts between a tenth and quarter of an inch possible.
Thursday Night	A 40 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 46.
Friday	Showers likely, mainly after 4pm. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 71. Chance of precipitation is 60%.
Friday Night	Showers. Cloudy, with a low around 52.
Saturday	Showers. Cloudy, with a high near 66.
Saturday Night	Showers likely, mainly before 10pm. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 49.
Sunday	A chance of showers. Mostly sunny, with a high near 71.
Sunday Night	Mostly clear, with a low around 47.
Monday	Sunny, with a high near 76.

VENTURA RIVER UPPER BASIN & LAKE CASITAS LEVELS November 13, 2023





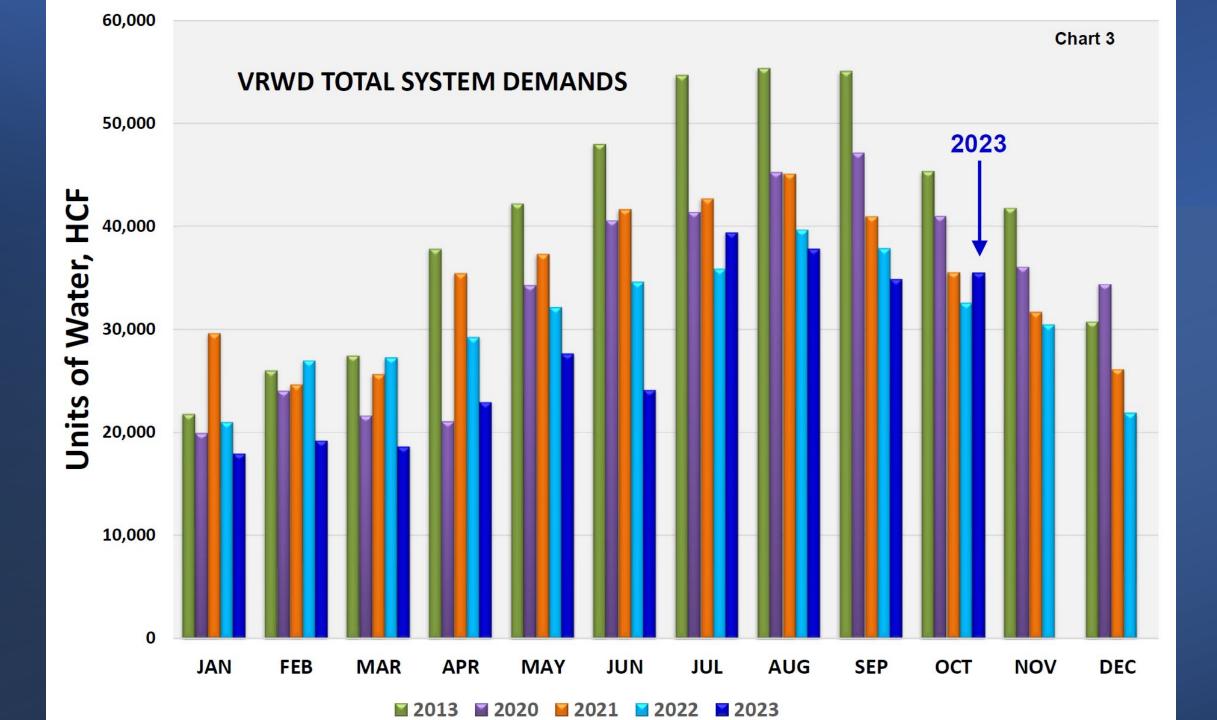
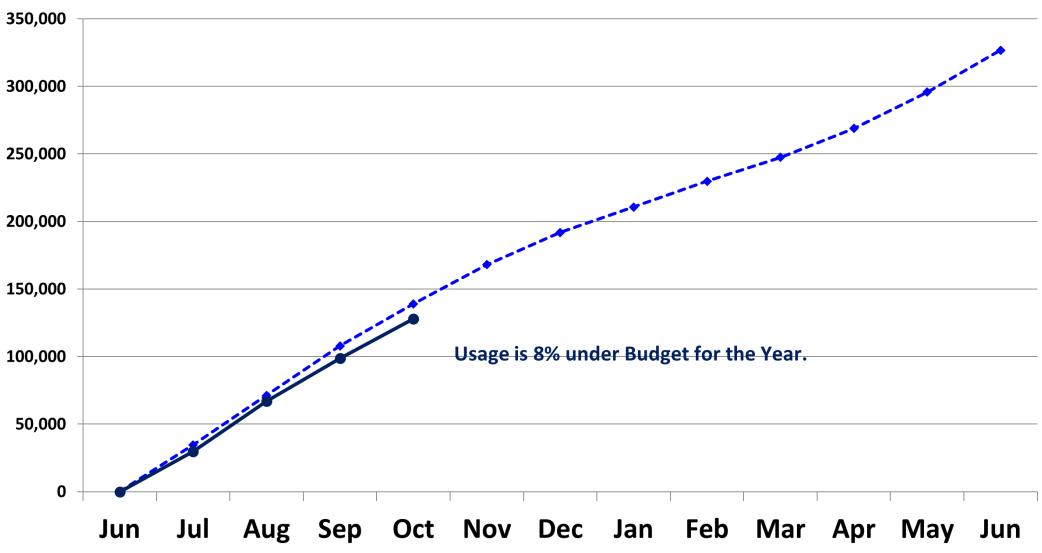
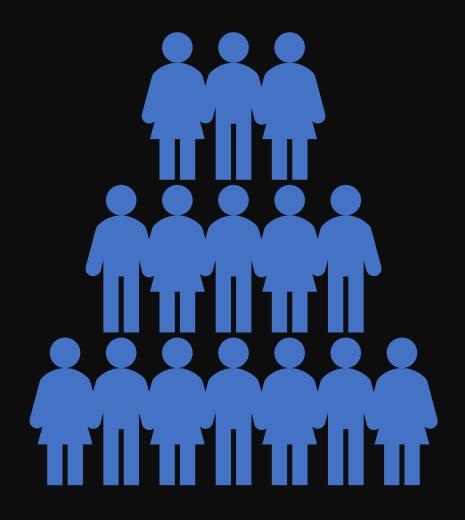




Chart 8B







End of Public Session



REASONS & ACTIONS

Seamless transition of responsibilities

Financial oversight to make informed decisions regarding financial planning and resource allocation

Signatory Authority to maintain continuity of operations

Vendor Management: GM will be able to oversee payments, negotiate contracts and ensure compliance with financial terms