

CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY

A California Joint Powers Authority



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City of Santa Maria

Goleta Water District

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Improvement District #1

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La Cumbre Mutual
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December 11, 2025

**Members of the Board
Central Coast Water Authority**

State law requires that every general-purpose local government publish, within six months of the close of each fiscal year, a complete set of audited financial statements. This report is published to fulfill that requirement for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025. The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (“ACFR”) of the Central Coast Water Authority for the fiscal year (“FY”) ended June 30, 2025 is submitted as prepared by the Authority’s Finance and Administration Departments. The report is published to provide to our project participants, the Authority Board, and the investment community detailed information about the financial condition and operating results of the Authority as measured by the financial activity of the Authority.

Responsibility for both the accuracy of the financial report and the completeness and fairness of the presentation rests with the Authority. To the best of our knowledge, the information presented is accurate in all material aspects and includes all disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the Authority’s financial activities.

The Authority requires that its financial statements be audited by a Certified Public Accountant selected by the Authority’s Board of Directors, and Glenn Burdette, Certified Public Accountants, have issued an unmodified (“clean”) opinion on Central Coast Water Authority’s financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2025. The independent auditor’s report is located at the front of the financial section of this report.

Management’s discussion and analysis (“MD&A”) immediately follows the independent auditor’s report and provides a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis of the financial statements. MD&A complements this letter of transmittal and should be read in conjunction with it.

PROFILE OF THE AUTHORITY

The Central Coast Water Authority (“CCWA” or “Authority”) is a public entity organized under a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement dated August 1, 1991 and operates as a Joint Powers Authority (“JPA”). CCWA is a wholesale water provider to 13 water purveyors and private companies in Santa Barbara County, and another 11 water purchasers in San Luis Obispo County.

CCWA is presently composed of eight members, all of which are public agencies within Santa Barbara County: the Cities of Buellton, Guadalupe, Santa Barbara and Santa Maria, Carpinteria Valley Water District, Goleta Water District, Montecito Water District and Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1 (in which the City of Solvang is located). Each member agency is represented on the CCWA Board of Directors by one individual and an alternate. In addition, CCWA has one associate member, the La Cumbre Mutual Water Company and three non-member, private water users, Raytheon Systems Company, Morehart Land Company, and Golden State Water Company. Water service is also provided to Vandenberg Space Force Base through a Utility Agreement.

The member agencies are represented on the CCWA Board of Directors by an individual chosen by each public entity's Board or City Council. Each vote on the Authority's Board of Directors is weighted roughly in proportion to the entity's allocation of State water entitlement.

The Authority also provides supplemental water to certain entities within San Luis Obispo County: California Men's Colony, County of San Luis Obispo, Cuesta College, City of Morro Bay, Avila Beach Community Services District, Avila Valley Mutual Water Company, Oceano Community Services District, City of Pismo Beach, San Luis Coastal Unified School District and San Miguelito Mutual Water Company.

Facilities

The Authority's facilities include a water treatment plant located at Polonio Pass in northeastern San Luis Obispo County and a distribution system that delivers water from the State Water Project to project participants in Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo Counties. The distribution system consists of an approximate 130 mile long pipeline, treated water tanks at the water treatment plant, three interim storage facilities, one energy dissipation facility, ten turnouts, four isolation valve facilities, a chloramines removal and water pumping facility and Cachuma Lake inlet monitoring facility.

Central Coast Water Authority is innovative and forward thinking in its methods to provide high-quality water, through an efficient and reliable system that is capable of delivering supplemental water from other water sources in addition to allocations through the State Water Project for our project participants. During the recent and ongoing drought in California, this delivery system was instrumental in allowing our project participants to maintain adequate water resources for their communities by providing a link to the statewide water supply system.

The Authority receives its water through the State Water Project, which is a network of canals, pipelines, tunnels and reservoirs. The State Water Project is managed by the California Department of Water Resources ("DWR"), a State agency which protects, conserves, develops, and manages much of California's water supply including the State Water Project which provides water for more than 27 million residents and businesses, and irrigates about 750,000 acres of farmland. Through the Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District ("SBCFC&WCD"), the Authority holds a contract with DWR to purchase up to 45,486 acre-feet of water per year. The costs for this water are charged to the Authority's Santa Barbara County project participants. San Luis Obispo County pays DWR directly for its DWR costs.

LOCAL ECONOMY

Santa Barbara County is dominated by three principal economic activities: tourism, Vandenberg Space Force Base, and education, and is characterized by three geographically diverse regions. The Santa Barbara Project Participants are located in all three different geographic areas of Santa Barbara County:

North County (City of Santa Maria, City of Guadalupe, Golden State Water Company and Vandenberg Space Force Base); the Santa Ynez Valley (City of Buellton and Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1, which includes within its boundaries the City of Solvang); and the South Coast (City of Santa Barbara, Goleta Water District, Montecito Water District, Carpinteria Valley Water District, La Cumbre Mutual Water Company, Raytheon Systems Company and Morehart Land Company).

Historically the North County has been an agricultural area, but it has experienced significant urban development in the last twenty-six years and expects additional urban development in the future; the Santa Ynez Valley is a rural agricultural area and tourist destination; and the South Coast is a generally developed urban area which does not expect significant growth in the future. The general location of certain of the Santa Barbara Project Participants and of the major components of the Authority Project in Santa Barbara County is shown on the map under the caption “Project Map” in the end of the Introductory Section of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

LONG-TERM FINANCIAL PLANNING

To assist our project participants, the Authority prepares a Ten-Year Financial plan to provide pro forma projections of the Authority’s expenditures and includes projections for both the Authority and the Department of Water Resources portions of the budget. The Department of Water Resources provides projections for each of these years for both the fixed and variable costs, and the Authority expenses are generally projected with a 5% inflation factor to all operating expenses.

The Ten-Year Financial Plan is prepared only as an informational tool and is used by the member agencies and other project participants for their planning and long-term budgeting purposes.

RELEVANT FINANCIAL POLICIES AND CONTROLS

The Authority has adopted a comprehensive set of financial policies governing Reserves, Purchasing, Budget, Investments, Debt Management, and Capital Improvements. Following is a brief discussion on the policies that were relevant this year:

Capital Improvement Projects and Carryover

The Capital Improvements Projects (“CIP”) is a component of the non-operating expenses section of the budget. Certain capital expenditures included in the Fiscal year 2024/25 budget were not expended due to timing and scheduling.

When appropriate, capital improvements will be paid through current revenue sources rather than financing capital projects over a period of time. In September 2024 the Board approved \$2,510,122 in carryover funds to Fiscal Year 2024/25 to be used for capital projects not completed in Fiscal Year 2023/24. Also approved by the Board was \$2,614,834 of carryover funds for capital projects funded for Fiscal Year 2024/25 and carried over into Fiscal Year 2025/26 for completion.

Investment Policy

The Authority will operate its idle cash investments in compliance with Government Code Section 16045-16054 Uniform Prudent Investor Act which states: “...in investing...property for the benefit of another, a trustee shall exercise judgment and care, under the circumstances then prevailing, which persons of prudence, discretion and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs....”.

As such, the Board has adopted an Investment Policy governing cash investments.

Section XV of the CCWA Investment Policy states the "...investment policy shall be reviewed at least annually to ensure its consistency with the overall objectives of preservation of principal, liquidity, and return, and its relevance to current law and financial and economic trends." The Authority reviews the Investment Policy and relevant Government Code Sections annually to ensure the policy is up to date and in compliance with the Government Code. There were found to be no significant changes in Government Code Section 53630-53686 during Fiscal Years' 2023/24 and 2024/25 which required modification of the policy.

Debt Management Policy

Central Coast Water Authority is authorized to incur indebtedness to finance Authority facilities and to assign and pledge to the repayment by its participants. The Debt Management Policy adopted by the Board in 2017 establishes parameters for issuing debt, covers general provisions for periodic review, conditions for debt issuance, standards for use of debt financing, financing criteria, refinancing outstanding debt, outstanding debt limitations, security for debt, a covenant for bond coverage, method of issuance, debt administration and reporting requirements.

Accounting System

In developing and maintaining the Authority's accounting system, consideration is given to the adequacy of internal accounting controls. Internal accounting controls are designed to provide reasonable but not absolute assurance regarding a) the safeguarding of assets against losses from unauthorized use or disposition, and b) the reliability of financial records for preparing financial statements and maintaining accountability for assets.

The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that the cost of a control procedure should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived and that the evaluation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management.

All internal control evaluations occur within the above framework. Management believes that the Authority's controls adequately safeguard assets and provide reasonable assurance of proper recording of financial transactions.

MAJOR INITIATIVES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR

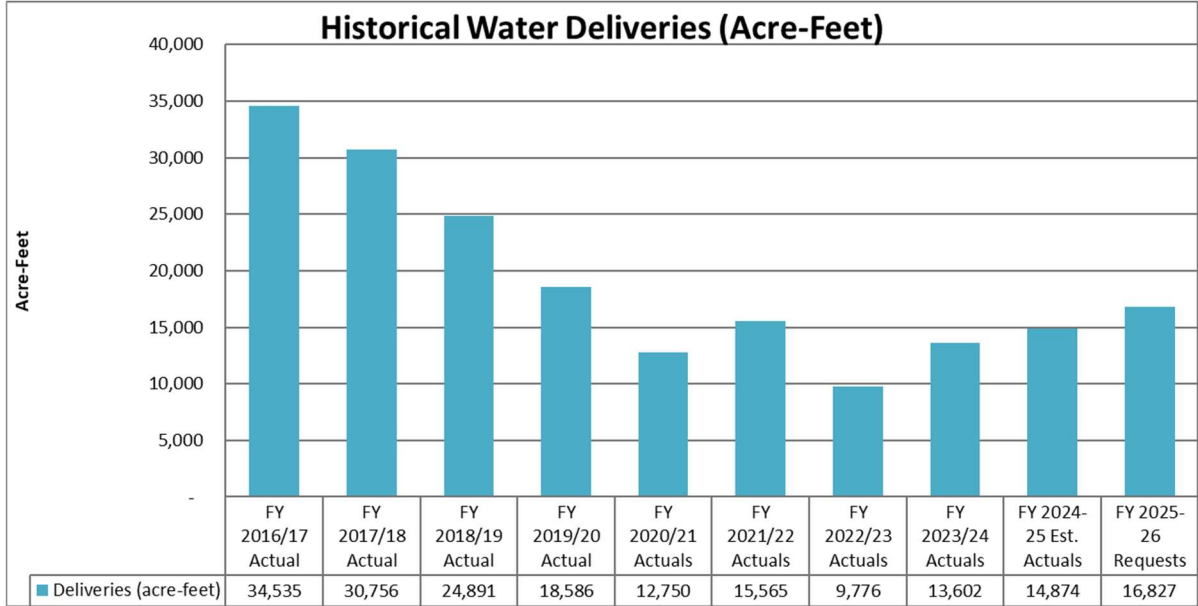
The activities of the Board and staff at the Authority are driven by our mission statement: To provide San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties with reliable, high quality supplemental water.

Water Banking Opportunities and Surplus Water Transfer Program

CCWA will continue to pursue water banking opportunities and other options for transferring surplus water supplies for return of water in shortage years. A combination of water banking, exchanges and transfers can assist CCWA and its project participants in managing their available State water supplies and ensuring each participant has sufficient supplies when needed in the future.

Succession Planning

CCWA will continue to address the critically important subject of succession planning, especially in light of the fact that over 50% of CCWA staff are currently eligible to retire. In the past year, CCWA successfully hired a Water Treatment Plant Operator, two Distribution Technicians, an Accounting Technician, and one Instrumentation Control Technician to backfill impending retirements and to fill regular vacancies. Additional efforts will be made in the next year to address the retirements of key positions within the organization.



THE FUTURE

Water Delivery Projections

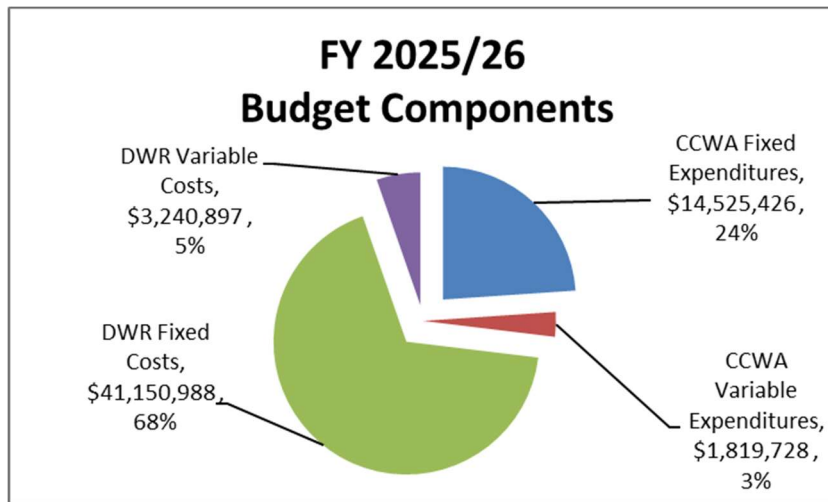
For calendar years 2025 and 2026, Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo County project participants have requested State water deliveries of 16,609 acre-feet and 16,927 acre-feet respectively.

Department of Water Resources (“DWR”) Activities and Related Costs

It is anticipated DWR will finalize its “Water System Revenue Bond” reconciliation project in the second part of calendar year 2025. CCWA estimates that the results of the reconciliation could have a significant impact on our participants and will be actively engaged in discussions with DWR on fully understanding the implications of the reconciliation results and potential financial implications to CCWA and its participants.

Fiscal Year 2025/26 Budget Summary

The FY 2025/26 budget calls for total project participant payments of \$58.5 million compared to the FY 2024/25 budget of \$60.2 million, a \$1.7 million decrease. These amounts include \$1.7 million in CCWA credits for FY 2025/26. The following graph shows the breakout of the various cost components in the CCWA FY 2025/26 budget:



AWARDS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Government Finance Officers Association (“GFOA”) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to Central Coast Water Authority for its annual comprehensive financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. This was the twenty-seventh year the Authority has achieved this prestigious award. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, the Authority had to publish an easily readable and efficiently organized annual comprehensive financial report. This report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable program requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one fiscal year. We believe that our current Annual Comprehensive Financial Report continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Program’s requirements, and we are submitting to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

The authority also received the GFOA’s Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its annual budget document dated April 25, 2025. This was the twenty-eight consecutive year the Authority has achieved this prestigious award. To qualify for the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award, the Authority’s budget document had to be judged proficient as a policy document, financial plan, an operations guide, and a communications device.

The preparation of this report would not have been possible without the skill, effort, and dedication of the entire staff of the Finance and Administration Department. We wish to thank each member of both departments for their assistance in providing the data necessary to prepare this report. Credit is also due to Senior Management and the Board of Directors for leadership and support in maintaining the highest standards of professionalism in the management of Central Coast Water Authority’s finances.

I am pleased to present this report to the Board for formal adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray A. Stokes
Executive Director

Introductory Section

June 30, 2025

Central Coast Water Authority Board of Directors

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City of Guadalupe
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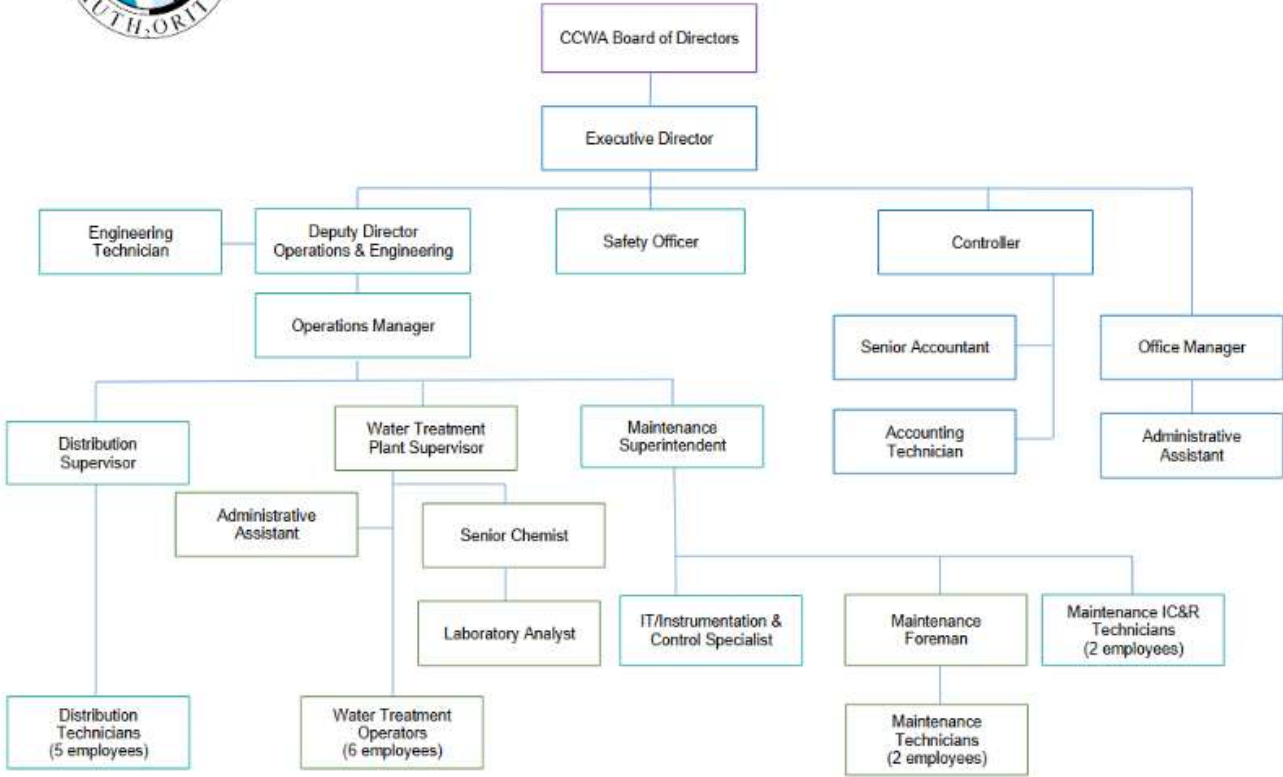
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Central Coast Water Authority Organization Chart FY 2025/26





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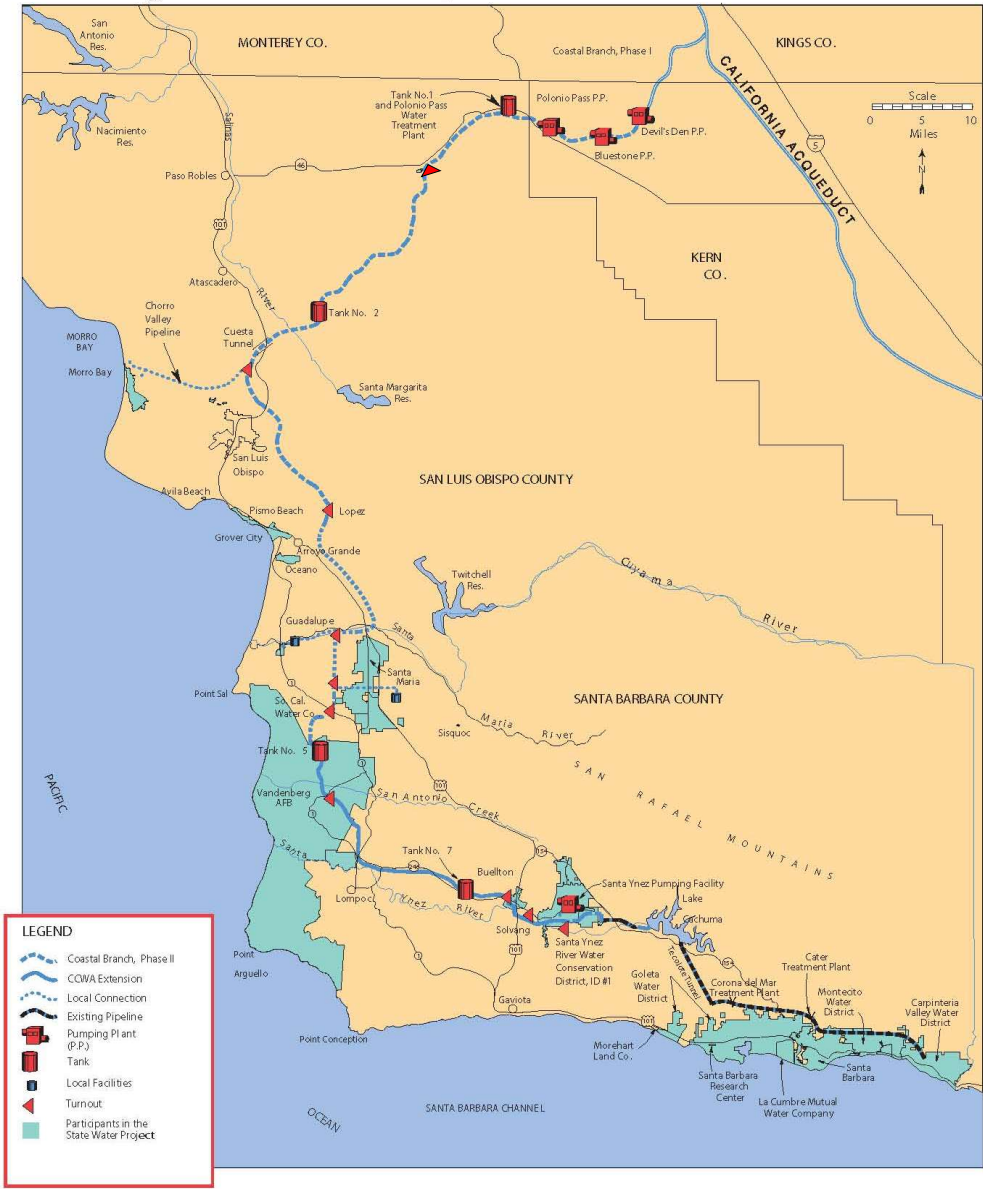
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June 30, 2024

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Project Map



FINANCIAL SECTION





Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Directors and Members of the
Central Coast Water Authority
Buellton, California

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of Central Coast Water Authority (the Authority), as of and for the years ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net position of Central Coast Water Authority, as of June 30, 2025 and 2024, and the changes in its net position, and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Authority and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Authority's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

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Auditor’s Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor’s report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority’s internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Authority’s ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management’s Discussion and Analysis, Schedule of the Agency’s Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, Schedule of Pension Plan Contributions, Schedule of Employer OPEB Contributions, and the Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a basic part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally

accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual comprehensive financial report. The other information comprises the introductory and statistical sections but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. Our opinion on the basic financial statements does not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Glenn Burdette Attest Corporation

Glenn Burdette Attest Corporation
San Luis Obispo, California

December 11, 2025

Management's Discussion and Analysis

**Fiscal Year Ended
June 30, 2025**

This section presents management's analysis of the Authority's financial condition and activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. This information should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the additional information that we have included in our letter of transmittal.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Authority operates as a proprietary fund-type. All proprietary fund-types are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. Under this measurement focus, all assets and liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the balance sheet. Proprietary fund-type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net total assets.

All proprietary fund-types utilize the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when earned, regardless of when received, and expenses are recognized at the time the related liabilities are incurred, regardless of when paid.

Summary of Organization and Business

The Central Coast Water Authority is a public entity duly organized and existing under a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement – Central Coast Water Authority, dated as of August 1, 1991, by and among nine public agencies in Santa Barbara County, two of which have subsequently merged. The members entered into the Agreement to exercise their common power to acquire, construct, operate and maintain works and facilities for the development and use of water resources and water rights including without limitation, works and facilities to divert, store, pump, treat and deliver water for beneficial uses. In particular, the members expressed their desire to create the Authority to finance, develop, operate, and maintain the Authority facilities for their mutual benefit and to act on behalf of the members with respect to the Department of Water Resources ("DWR") facilities. The Authority currently has a staff of twenty-eight full-time employees and two part-time employees.

The Authority is presently composed of eight members, all of which are public agencies: the Cities of Buellton, Guadalupe, Santa Barbara and Santa Maria, Carpinteria Valley Water District, Goleta Water District, Montecito Water District and Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1 (in which the City of Solvang is located). (A founding member of the Authority, the Summerland Water District, merged into the Montecito Water

Management's Discussion and Analysis

District.) In addition, the Authority has an Associate Member, La Cumbre Mutual Water Company. Each member appoints a representative to the Authority's Board of Directors. San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District ("SLOFCWCD" and/or San Luis Obispo Water Purchasers) has expressed an interest in joining the Authority. However, any decision to do so must be approved by the unanimous vote of the present members.

The member agencies are represented on the CCWA Board of Directors by an individual chosen by each public entity's Board or City Council. Each vote on the Authority Board of Directors is weighted roughly in proportion to the entity's allocation of State water entitlement.

The following table shows the voting percentage for each member of the CCWA Board of Directors.

City of Guadalupe	1.15%
City of Santa Maria	43.19%
City of Buellton	2.21%
Santa Ynez R.W.C.D., Improvement District #1	7.64%
Goleta Water District	17.20%
City of Santa Barbara	11.47%
Montecito Water District	9.50%
Carpinteria Valley Water District	<u>7.64%</u>
TOTAL	100.00%

CCWA Committees

There are currently two Central Coast Water Authority committees. They are the Operating and Personnel Committees.

The Operating Committee is composed of the general managers, city administrators or water supply managers from each of the various water districts and cities served by the Authority. The Operating Committee typically meets quarterly to act on matters such as construction, operations, and financial issues and recommends actions to the Authority Board of Directors.

The Personnel Committee is composed of CCWA Board members appointed by the CCWA Board Chairman. The Committee reviews and recommends actions to the Authority Board of Directors with regard to personnel-related matters.

Management's Discussion and Analysis

Santa Barbara County Project Participants

Each Santa Barbara County project participant is a water purveyor or user located in Santa Barbara County which obtained contractual rights to receive water from the State Water Project prior to 1991. Those rights have been assigned to the Authority pursuant to the terms of the Water Supply Agreements.

San Luis Obispo County Water Purchasers

Each San Luis Obispo County water purchaser is a water purveyor or user located in San Luis Obispo County which obtained contractual rights from SLOFCWCD to receive water from the State Water Project.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following table shows a condensed version of the Authority's balance sheet with corresponding analysis regarding significant variances.

Condensed Balance Sheet

	June 30, 2025	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	2024-25 Change	2023-24 Change
Current Assets	\$ 85,797,357	\$ 82,525,573	\$ 74,318,564	\$ 3,271,783	\$ 8,207,009
Non-Current Restricted Assets	6,920,028	6,740,378	6,623,805	179,650	116,573
Capital Assets	83,537,548	85,272,615	87,298,062	(1,735,067)	(2,025,447)
Other Assets	-	-	-	-	-
Total Assets	\$ 176,254,933	\$ 174,538,566	\$ 168,240,431	\$ 1,716,366	\$ 6,298,135
Pension Plan Deferred Amount	1,923,932	2,519,464	2,624,074	(595,532)	(104,610)
OPEB Plan Deferred Amount	558,806	656,348	610,769	(97,542)	45,579
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 2,482,738	\$ 3,175,812	\$ 3,234,843	\$ (693,074)	\$ (59,031)
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 178,737,671	\$ 177,714,378	\$ 171,475,274	\$ 1,023,292	\$ 6,239,104
Current Liabilities	\$ 72,732,483	\$ 69,892,758	\$ 61,856,441	\$ 2,839,725	\$ 8,036,317
Non-current Liabilities	22,045,546	22,203,326	22,022,815	(157,780)	180,511
Total Liabilities	94,778,029	92,096,084	83,879,256	2,681,945	8,216,828
Pension Plan Deferred Amount	52,102	134,014	226,507	(81,912)	(92,493)
OPEB Deferred Amount	461,110	451,137	116,111	9,973	335,026
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	513,212	585,151	342,618	(71,939)	242,533
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 83,537,547	\$ 85,272,615	\$ 87,298,062	\$ (1,735,068)	\$ (2,025,447)
Restricted	-	-	-	-	-
Unrestricted	(91,118)	(239,472)	(44,662)	148,354	(194,810)
Total Net Position	83,446,429	85,033,143	87,253,400	(1,586,714)	(2,220,257)
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 178,737,670	\$ 177,714,378	\$ 171,475,274	\$ 1,023,292	\$ 6,239,104

Management's Discussion and Analysis

BALANCE SHEET ANALYSIS

June 30, 2025 Comparison to June 30, 2024

- Total assets as of June 30, 2025, are \$176.2 million, or \$1.7 million more than the amount on June 30, 2024. This is primarily due to a \$1.3 million increase in unrestricted cash and investments, a \$2.1 million increase in cash and investments held for payment to DWR offset by a \$1.7 million decrease in capital assets.
- Capital and other assets are \$1.7 million higher than the prior year amount due to depreciation of the Authority's capital assets.
- Current liabilities are \$2.8 million more than the prior year. This is largely due to a \$2 million increase in deposits for payments to DWR and a \$0.8 million increase in project participant deposits and unearned revenue.

June 30, 2024 Comparison to June 30, 2023

- Total assets as of June 30, 2024, are \$174.5 million, or \$6.3 million more than the amount on June 30, 2023. This is primarily due to a \$4.4 million increase in unrestricted cash and investments, a \$4 million increase in cash and investments held for payment to DWR offset by a \$2 million decrease in capital asset.
- Capital and other assets are \$2 million lower than the prior year amount due to depreciation of the Authority's capital assets.
- Current liabilities are \$8 million more than the prior year. This is largely due to a \$4 million increase in deposits for payments to DWR and a \$3.8 million increase in project participant deposits and unearned revenue.

The following table shows a condensed version of the Authority's Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position with corresponding analysis regarding significant variances.

Management's Discussion and Analysis

Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position ¹

	June 30, 2025	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	2024-25 Change	2023-24 Change
Operating Revenues	\$ 14,931,632	\$ 13,170,777	\$ 12,080,458	\$ 1,760,855	\$ 1,090,319
Operating Expenses excluding depreciation and amortization	(13,522,989)	(12,737,647)	(10,577,687)	(785,342)	(2,159,960)
Depreciation and Amortization	(2,678,122)	(2,654,911)	(2,496,375)	(23,211)	(158,536)
Operating Income	(1,269,479)	(2,221,781)	(993,604)	952,302	(1,228,177)
Non-operating Revenues	2,779,978	2,692,347	1,175,177	87,631	1,517,170
Non-operating Expenses	(3,097,213)	(2,690,823)	(1,124,756)	(406,390)	(1,566,067)
Change in Net Position	(1,586,714)	(2,220,258)	(943,183)	633,543	(1,277,074)
Net position at beginning of year	85,033,143	87,253,401	88,196,584	(2,220,258)	(943,183)
Net position at end of year	\$ 83,446,430	\$ 85,033,143	\$ 87,253,401	\$ (1,586,714)	\$ (2,220,258)

1 - GASB Cod. Sec. 2200.109b are not relevant/applicable as CCWA has only one major source of operating revenue (operating assessments) and non-operating revenue (investment interest income).

June 30, 2025 Comparison to June 30, 2024

Operating revenues for the period ending June 30, 2025 are about \$1.7 million higher than the prior year amount, primarily due to carryover of capital and excess O&M funds.

It is the Authority's policy to return O&M assessment surpluses to the project participants in the form of credits against future assessments, or as deposits to the DWR Reserve Fund (See Note 1, item M for further information on the DWR Reserve Fund). For FY 2024/25, this credit totaled \$1.8 million for the fixed component of the O&M assessments, as compared to the FY 2023/24 credit of \$1.7 million. Credits for the variable assessment component were applied throughout the fiscal year with each quarterly variable assessment when applicable.

Operating expenses, excluding depreciation and amortization expense are about \$0.8 million higher than the prior year amount due to:

1. Increase in personnel expenses of \$0.3 million, and an increase in repairs and maintenance of \$71,000.
2. Increase in other expenses of \$0.4 million.

Non-operating revenues are higher by about \$78,000 due to the increase of interest income from higher interest rates. Non-operating expenses increased by the same amount for interest paid to project participants.

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June 30, 2024 Comparison to June 30, 2023

Operating revenues for the period ending June 30, 2024 are about \$1 million higher than the prior year amount, primarily due to increased operating costs related to personnel expenses and supplies and equipment.

It is the Authority's policy to return O&M assessment surpluses to the project participants in the form of credits against future assessments, or as deposits to the DWR Reserve Fund (See Note 1, item M for further information on the DWR Reserve Fund). For FY 2023/24, this credit totaled \$1.7 million for the fixed component of the O&M assessments, as compared to the FY 2022/23 credit of \$60,000. Credits for the variable assessment component were applied throughout the fiscal year with each quarterly variable assessment when applicable.

Operating expenses, excluding depreciation and amortization expense are about \$2.2 million higher than the prior year amount due to:

1. Increase in unexpended operating reimbursements of 1.8 million.
2. Increase in personnel expenses of \$0.5 million, and an increase in supplies and equipment of \$0.1 million
3. Decrease in other expenses of \$0.2 million

Non-operating revenues are higher by about \$1.5 million due to the increase of interest income from higher interest rates.

Non-operating expenses increased by the same amount for interest paid to project participants.

Management's Discussion and Analysis

Capital Assets

The following table provides a summary of the Authority's capital assets and changes from the prior year.

	June 30, 2025	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	2024-25	2023-24
				Change	Change
Land	\$ 3,178,700	\$ 3,178,700	\$ 3,178,700	\$ -	\$ -
Furniture fixtures and equipment	932,612	932,612	871,224	-	61,388
Lab, transportation, plant and pipeline equipment	32,417,773	32,147,180	31,846,614	270,592	300,566
Buildings and structures	49,238,993	49,238,993	49,238,993	-	-
Underground pipeline	59,925,077	59,925,077	59,925,077	-	-
Land improvement	62,266	62,266	62,266	-	-
Construction in progress	1,184,083	1,195,221	1,020,098	(11,138)	175,123
Total property, plant and equipment	146,939,504	146,680,050	146,142,972	259,454	537,078
Accumulated depreciation	(63,401,957)	(61,407,434)	(58,844,910)	(1,994,523)	(2,562,524)
Net property, plant and equipment	\$ 83,537,547	\$ 85,272,616	\$ 87,298,062	\$ (1,735,069)	\$ (2,025,446)

Please refer to Note 3 on Capital Assets in the Notes to the Financial Statements for additional information regarding the Authority's capital assets.

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Debt Administration

At June 30, 2025, the Authority had no outstanding debt.

Please refer to Note 5 in the Notes to the Financial Statements for additional information regarding the Authority's long-term debt.

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STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

ASSETS	June 30, 2025	June 30, 2024
Current Assets		
Unrestricted Current Assets		
Cash and investments (Note 2)	\$ 34,128,976	\$ 32,847,013
Interest receivable	-	75,622
Accounts Receivable	263	263
Prepaid Expenses	132,143	137,320
Inventory	153,321	190,231
Total Unrestricted Current Assets	34,414,702	33,250,448
Restricted Current Assets		
Cash and investments held for payment to DWR	51,382,655	49,275,125
Total Current Assets	85,797,357	82,525,573
Non-Current Assets		
Cash and investments for DWR Reserve (Note 1)	6,396,362	6,107,343
Cash and investments for Escrow Deposits	523,666	524,944
Interest receivable	-	108,091
Total Restricted Non-Current Assets	6,920,028	6,740,378
Capital Assets (Note 3)		
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	80,358,847	82,093,916
Land, not depreciated	3,178,700	3,178,700
Total Capital Assets	83,537,548	85,272,615
Unamortized bond insurance costs, net	-	-
Long-term accounts receivable	-	-
Total Non-Current Assets	90,457,576	92,012,993
Total Assets	176,254,933	174,538,566
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred amount from pension plan (Note 6)	1,923,932	2,519,464
Deferred amount from OPEB (Note 7)	558,806	656,348
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	2,482,738	3,175,812

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

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STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION

June 30, 2025

June 30, 2024

Current Liabilities

Accounts payable	\$ 418,287	\$ 415,696
Deposits for payment to DWR	51,382,655	49,383,216
Deposits for supplemental water purchases	361,078	398,001
Other liabilities	231,809	217,888
Compensated absences payable	225,861	235,887
Project participant deposits and unearned revenue	20,112,792	19,242,071
Total Current Liabilities	<u>72,732,483</u>	<u>69,892,759</u>

Non-Current Liabilities

OPEB liability (Note 7)	706,605	935,428
Rate coverage reserve fund (Note 1)	9,495,379	9,495,379
DWR reserve fund (Note 1)	6,396,362	6,107,343
Escrow Deposits	513,000	513,000
Net pension liability (Note 6)	4,934,200	5,152,176
Total Non-Current Liabilities	<u>22,045,546</u>	<u>22,203,326</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>94,778,029</u>	<u>92,096,085</u>

DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

Deferred amount from pension plan (Note 6)	52,102	134,014
Deferred amount from OPEB (Note 7)	461,110	451,137
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>513,212</u>	<u>585,151</u>

Net Position

Net investment in capital assets	83,537,547	85,272,615
Unrestricted	(91,118)	(239,472)
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 83,446,429</u>	<u>\$ 85,033,143</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGE IN NET POSITION

	For the fiscal year ended	
	June 30, 2025	June 30, 2024
Operating Revenues		
Operating reimbursements		
from project participants	\$ 14,828,636	\$ 13,128,442
Other revenues	102,995	42,335
Total Operating Revenues	14,931,632	13,170,777
Operating Expenses		
Personnel expenses	6,659,424	6,367,758
Office expenses	12,689	21,616
General and administrative	214,256	223,348
Professional services	1,391,170	1,449,498
Supplies and equipment	1,142,667	1,185,627
Monitoring expenses	124,576	123,578
Repairs and maintenance	382,055	310,752
Utilities	579,144	547,085
Unexpended operating reimbursements (Note 1)	1,805,932	1,702,726
Depreciation and amortization	2,678,122	2,654,911
Other expenses	1,211,075	805,659
Total Operating Expenses	16,201,111	15,392,558
Operating Income	(1,269,479)	(2,221,780)
Non-Operating Revenues		
Interest income	2,761,488	2,683,807
Gain on disposal of capital assets	18,490	8,540
Total Non-Operating Revenues	2,779,978	2,692,347
Non-Operating Expenses		
Interest income paid to project participants	2,761,488	2,683,807
Loss on disposal of assets	335,725	7,016
Total Non-Operating Expenses	3,097,213	2,690,823
Increase (decrease) in net position	(1,586,714)	(2,220,257)
Change in Net Position	(1,586,714)	(2,220,257)
Net position, at beginning of year	85,033,143	87,253,400
Net position, at end of year	\$ 83,446,429	\$ 85,033,143

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	<i>For the fiscal year ended</i>	
	<i>June 30, 2025</i>	<i>June 30, 2024</i>
<i>Cash Flows From Operating Activities</i>		
Cash received from project participants and other operating activities	\$ 13,251,679	\$ 12,726,387
Cash payments to employees	(4,102,558)	(3,831,427)
Cash payments to suppliers	(9,094,313)	(6,426,514)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>54,809</u>	<u>2,468,446</u>
<i>Cash Flows from Investing Activities</i>		
Interest and dividends on investments	<u>2,945,200</u>	<u>2,800,654</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>2,945,200</u>	<u>2,800,654</u>
<i>Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities</i>		
Acquisition of capital assets	(1,278,779)	(636,481)
Proceeds received from sale of capital assets	<u>18,490</u>	<u>8,540</u>
Net cash used for capital and related financing activities	<u>(1,260,289)</u>	<u>(627,941)</u>
<i>Cash Flows from Non-Capital Financing Activities</i>		
Proceeds received for DWR and Warren Act charges	50,425,487	52,355,016
Payments of DWR and Warren Act charges	(48,426,049)	(48,408,340)
Proceeds received for supplemental water purchases	-	18,881
Payments for supplemental water purchases	(61,924)	(17,028)
Net cash used by non-capital financing activities	<u>1,937,515</u>	<u>3,948,530</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	3,677,235	8,589,689
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	<u>88,754,425</u>	<u>80,164,737</u>
Unrestricted cash and investments	34,128,976	32,847,013
Restricted cash and investments other	523,666	524,944
Restricted cash and investments held for payment to DWR	51,382,655	49,275,125
Restricted cash and investments - DWR Reserve	<u>6,396,362</u>	<u>6,107,343</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$ 92,431,659</u>	<u>\$ 88,754,425</u>
<i>Cash Flows From Operating Activities</i>		
Operating Income (loss) (Note 11)	\$ (1,269,479)	\$ (2,221,781)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	2,678,122	2,654,911
Unexpended operating reimbursements payable to project participants	(1,890,766)	1,159,070
Operating revenues paid from credits and unearned revenue (Note 11)	314,020	159,471
Increase (decrease) on other assets and liabilities	45,983	173,905
Increase (decrease) in other post-employment liability and deferred items	(121,308)	(97,557)
Increase (decrease) in net pension liability and deferred items	295,644	420,161
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	2,592	220,265
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$ 54,809</u>	<u>\$ 2,468,446</u>

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Supplemental Disclosures of Cash Flow Information

For the fiscal year ended
June 30, 2025 June 30, 2024

Schedule of Non-Cash Capital and Related Financing Activities

The Authority completed the construction of certain assets and transferred them from construction in progress to property, plant and equipment.

<u>\$ 1,289,916</u>	<u>\$ 461,357</u>
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The Authority disposed of certain property, plant and equipment which were determined to no longer be usable. The aggregate original purchase cost of the assets was disposed.

<u>\$ 1,019,325</u>	<u>\$ 99,404</u>
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Difference between cost and fair value of investments held by the Authority at the end of the fiscal year.

<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 87,195</u>
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Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of the Central Coast Water Authority ("Authority") conform to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"). The following summary of the Authority's more significant accounting policies is presented to assist the reader in interpreting the financial statements and other data in this report. These policies should be viewed as an integral part of the accompanying financial statements.

A. Reporting Entity

The primary purpose of the Authority is to provide for the development, financing, construction, operation and maintenance of certain local (non-state owned) facilities required to deliver water from the State Water Project ("SWP") to certain water purveyors and users in Santa Barbara County.

The Authority was created by its members in August 1991. The Authority is presently composed of eight members, all of which are public agencies, as follows: the cities of Buellton, Guadalupe, Santa Barbara, and Santa Maria, Carpinteria Valley Water District, Goleta Water District, Montecito Water District and the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. I (SYRWCD, ID#1, in which the City of Solvang is located). (A founding member of the Authority, the Summerland Water District, merged into the Montecito Water District.) In addition, the Authority has one associate member, the La Cumbre Mutual Water Company (together with the members, the "Purveyor Participants"). Each of the Purveyor Participants has entered into a Water Supply Agreement with the Authority, as have non-members: Vandenberg Space Force Base ("Vandenberg SFB"), Raytheon Systems Company (formerly Santa Barbara Research Center), Morehart Land Company and Golden State Water Company (the "Consumer Participants").

The Authority Participants are located in three different geographic areas of Santa Barbara County: North County (Guadalupe, Santa Maria, Golden State Water Company and Vandenberg SFB); the Santa Ynez Valley (Buellton and SYRWCD, ID#1); and the South Coast (Carpinteria, Goleta, La Cumbre Mutual Water Company, Montecito, Morehart Land Company, Santa Barbara and Raytheon Systems Company, formerly Santa Barbara Research Center).

Historically, the North County has been an agricultural area but has seen significant urban development in the last

twenty-eight years and expects additional urban development in the future; the Santa Ynez Valley is a rural agricultural area and tourist destination; and the South Coast is a generally developed urban area which does not expect significant growth in the future.

In October 1992, the Central Coast Water Authority entered into an agreement with San Luis Obispo ("SLO") County to treat water delivered through the SWP. The entities covered by the agreement include: Avila Beach Community Services District, Avila Valley Mutual Water Company, California Men's Colony, City of Morro Bay, City of Pismo Beach, County of San Luis Obispo Community Services Area #16, Irrigation District #1, Cuesta College, Oceano Community Services District, San Luis Obispo County Operations Center, San Luis Coastal Unified School District and San Miguelito Mutual Water Company.

Facilities Constructed by the Authority

The facilities constructed by the Authority include a water treatment plant located at Polonio Pass in northern San Luis Obispo County and two pipeline extensions: (1) the Mission Hills Extension, a buried pipeline approximately eleven miles long running from the terminus of the Coastal Branch (Phase II) southerly to the vicinity of the Lompoc Valley, and (2) the Santa Ynez Extension, a buried pipeline approximately thirty-two miles long running from the terminus of the Mission Hills Extension easterly through the Santa Ynez Valley, to a terminus at Cachuma Lake and includes one pumping plant near Santa Ynez and one storage tank. Water transported to Lake Cachuma is transported through the existing Tecolote Tunnel, which traverses the Santa Ynez Mountains, to the South Coast of Santa Barbara County.

The water treatment plant receives raw water from the SWP and delivers treated water to purveyors and users located in San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties.

Contractual Relationships

The State of California Department of Water Resources ("DWR") entered contracts (the "State Water Supply Contracts") with San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties in 1963 pursuant to which the counties received Table A amounts of water from the SWP. San Luis Obispo County's Table A amount was 25,000 acre-feet per year and Santa Barbara County's Table A amount was 57,700 acre-feet per year. In 1981, Santa Barbara County amended its contract to reduce its Table A amount to 45,486 acre-feet per year, thereby leaving 12,214 set aside, or "suspended" as it was determined this amount was in excess of the needs of the various Santa Barbara County water purveyors. DWR

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agreed to suspend this water and agreed that the County could reacquire the water at a future date.

CCWA has requested, and DWR has agreed to allow CCWA, through the County, to reacquire the 12,214 acre-feet of suspended contract allotment. CCWA is currently pursuing this option with the County of Santa Barbara.

In 1983, Santa Barbara County entered into a series of Water Supply Retention Agreements ("WSRAs") with local water purveyors and users within Santa Barbara County. These WSRAs initially granted the purveyors and users an option to obtain an assignment of Santa Barbara County's State Water Supply Contract rights and, as of July 1, 1989, granted the full assignment of those rights. Thereafter, certain of the local water purveyors and users holding the WSRAs rights transferred those rights to the Authority, a newly formed Joint Powers Authority, in consideration for Water Supply Agreements dated August 1, 1991, which provide for the delivery of SWP water by the Authority and the payment of required costs by the transferors. The Authority's obligation to make such payments to DWR from the payments it receives pursuant to the Water Supply Agreements is senior to its obligation to make payments with respect to the Bonds. These transfers have been consented to by DWR and were validated by an agreement between Santa Barbara County and the Authority on November 12, 1991 (the "Transfer of Financial Responsibility Agreement").

The Water Supply Agreements

Each Project Participant has entered into a Water Supply Agreement to provide for the development, financing, construction, operation and maintenance of the Project. The purpose of the Water Supply Agreements is to assist in carrying out the purposes of the Authority with respect to the Project by: (1) requiring the Authority to sell, and the Project Participants to buy, a specified amount of water from the project, and (2) assigning the Project Participants' Table A amount rights in the Project to the Authority.

In accordance with the provisions of each Water Supply Agreement, the Authority fixes charges for each Project Participant to produce revenues from the Project equal to the amounts anticipated to be needed by the Authority to meet the costs of the Authority to deliver to each Project Participant its pro rata share of water from the Project as set forth in each Water Supply Agreement. Each Project Participant is required to pay to the Authority an amount equal to its share of the total Fixed Project Costs and certain other costs in the proportion established in accordance with the applicable Water Supply Agreement, including the Santa

Barbara Project Participant's share of payments to DWR under the State Water Supply Contract, as amended (including capital, operation, maintenance, power and replacement costs of the DWR Facilities), debt service on the Bonds and all Authority operating and administrative costs. Such obligation is to be honored by each Project Participant whether or not water is furnished to it from the Project at all times or not at all and whether or not the Project is completed, operable, operated or retired. Such payments are not subject to any reduction and are not conditioned upon performance by the Authority or any other Project Participant under any agreement.

The Water Supply Agreements set forth detailed provisions concerning the time and method of payment by each Contractor of certain costs, including Fixed Project Costs and other operation and maintenance costs, as well as the method of allocation of such costs and expenses and the remedies available to the Authority in the event a project participant defaults in its payments to the Authority.

B. Basis of Accounting

The Authority operates as a proprietary fund-type. All proprietary fund-types are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. Under this measurement focus, all assets and liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the balance sheets. Where appropriate, net total position (i.e., fund equity) is segregated into net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt and unrestricted net position. Proprietary fund-type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net total assets.

All proprietary fund-types utilize the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when earned, regardless of when received, and expenses are recognized at the time the related liabilities are incurred, regardless of when paid.

This report has been prepared in conformance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB").

C. Investments

The Authority has developed an investment policy that exceeds the minimum requirements established by the State of California. The Authority believes that it has adhered to established policies for all investment activities.

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As of June 30, 2025, the investment portfolio has a weighted average maturity of 0 days and a yield to maturity of 3.82%

The Authority reports investments with a maturity at the time of purchase of less than one year at amortized cost. Investments with a maturity greater than one year at the time of purchase are reported at fair value. As of June 30, 2025 all investments are reported at amortized cost.

D. Capital Assets

Capital assets, consisting of property, plant and equipment purchased or constructed by the Authority which meet or exceed the Authority's capitalization threshold of \$10,000 and an estimated useful life of five years or more, are stated at cost. Depreciation has been computed over the estimated useful life of each asset using the straight-line method. Interest costs have been capitalized based on the average outstanding capital expenditures. In addition, certain technical and engineering related studies associated with the Project have also been capitalized and included in the basis of the assets. The ranges of depreciation rates are:

Furniture fixtures and equipment	5-10 years
Equipment	10-50 years
Buildings and structures	30-50 years
Underground pipeline	75 years
Land Improvements	15 years

E. Inventories

Certain chemical purchases for use at the water treatment plant have been recorded to an inventory account to be expensed in proportion to the amount of water treated at the water treatment plant monthly.

F. Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the Statement of Net Position and/or the balance sheet will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows and inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents a consumption of resources that applies to a future period(s) and therefore will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. In addition to liabilities, the Statement of Net Position and/or the balance sheet will report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents an acquisition of resources that applies to a future period(s) and therefore will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. See Note 4 for a detailed listing of the deferred outflows and inflows of resources the Authority has recognized.

G. Deposits

Deposits include cash receipts from project participants for amounts payable to the Department of Water Resources ("DWR") and Warren Act Charges payable to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and the Cachuma Operations and Maintenance Board ("COMB").

H. Operating Reimbursements from Project Participants

Operating reimbursements from project participants include amounts paid for Authority operating expenses and debt service payments. Debt service operating assessment receipts for both principal and interest are recorded as operating revenues.

I. Unexpended Operating Assessments

Prior to fiscal year 2015/16, it was the Authority's policy to return unexpended fixed and variable operating assessments and interest income to the project participants after the close of each fiscal year. Beginning fiscal year 2015/16 the Authority revised this policy with respect only to the variable operating assessment component. A quarterly true-up process of variable operating costs was implemented to help avoid over and under collections due to changes in water deliveries. For fiscal year 2018/19, the unexpended fixed operating assessments and the investment income earned on the Authority's unrestricted cash balances are recorded as unearned revenue and returned to the project participants as credits. Beginning fiscal year 2018/19, credits for Participants electing to participate in the newly established and voluntary DWR Reserve Fund were transferred to their DWR Reserve Fund balances. Credits for Participants not electing to participate in the DWR Reserve Fund will be applied to their following year's operating assessments. See Note 1, item M for further information on the DWR Reserve Fund.

J. Operating and Non-Operating Revenues and Expenses

Project participant assessment payments for operations and maintenance expenses, revenue bond debt service payments and miscellaneous revenues are considered operating revenues. Interest income and gains on sale of capital assets and investments are considered non-operating revenues.

Operations and maintenance expenses and depreciation and amortization expenses are considered operating expenses. Revenue bond interest expenses and other

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extraordinary expenses are considered non-operating expenses.

K. Compensated Absences

The Authority accrues vacation and sick leave for employees at rates based upon length of service and job classification. Accrued vacation leave may be taken by employees as time off in future periods, with any remaining balance payable in cash upon separation from employment. Employees have the following additional option related to vacation leave: a portion of the accrued balance is payable in cash at the employee's discretion twice annually. Accrued vacation balances are categorized as current or noncurrent on the Statement of Net Position based on when they are most likely to be settled. For the years ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, all vacation balances were anticipated to be settled within one fiscal year. Accrued sick leave must either be taken by employees as time off in future periods, or it will be automatically converted to postemployment benefits (PERS service credits) upon separation from employment. The Authority has not recorded a liability for accrued sick leave payable as of June 30, 2025 or 2024, since all unused sick hours will be converted to postemployment benefits in the future and are taken into account in the actuarial valuations of the Authority's OPEB liability.

L. Rate Coverage Reserve Fund

In December 1997, the Authority adopted the rate coverage reserve fund policy to provide a mechanism to allow the Authority's project participants to satisfy a portion of their obligation under Section 20(a) of the Water Supply Agreement to impose rates and charges sufficient to collect 125% of their contract payments as defined in the Water Supply Agreement.

Under the rate coverage reserve fund policy, a project participant may deposit with the Authority up to twenty five percent (25%) of its State water contract payments in a given year. Amounts on deposit in the rate coverage reserve fund are used to satisfy a portion of the rate coverage obligation found in the Water Supply Agreement.

The following table shows a summary of project participant deposits in the rate coverage reserve fund as of June 30, 2025.

<u>Project Participant</u>	<u>June 30, 2025</u>
City of Buellton	\$ 280,551
Carpinteria Valley Water District	877,666
City of Guadalupe	194,989
La Cumbre Mutual Water Company	408,672
Montecito Water District	1,524,210
City of Santa Maria	5,274,032
Shandon (SLO County)	16,036
Santa Ynez Water Conservation District, ID #1 (City of Solvang portion)	644,896
Santa Ynez WCD, ID #1	470,524
Total	<u>\$9,691,576</u>

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M. Department of Water Resources (DWR) Reserve Fund

In March 2019, the Authority adopted the DWR reserve fund policy to provide a mechanism to provide the Authority’s project participants with a funding source for payments to the State of California Department of Water Resources (“DWR”) when there is a difference between estimates used to prepare the DWR portion of the annual CCWA budget and the actual amounts billed to the Authority by DWR.

Contributions to the DWR Reserve Fund are voluntary with Project Participants electing to participate in the reserve fund notifying the Authority. Funding of each participating Project Participant’s share of the DWR Reserve Fund will come from a combination of (1) CCWA Operating Expense budget surpluses, if any (2) Interest earnings on funds held in all other accounts on behalf of the participating Project Participant and (3) excess amounts, if any, from any of the DWR Statement of Charges cost components.

The following table shows a summary of project participant deposits in the DWR reserve fund as of June 30, 2025.

Project Participant	June 30, 2025
City of Buellton	\$ 149,460
City of Guadalupe	142,129
La Cumbre Mutual Water Company	258,835
Morehart Land Company	51,697
City of Santa Barbara	482,492
Raytheon	12,924
City of Santa Maria	4,668,530
Golden State Water Company	113,340
Santa Ynez Water Conservation District, ID #1 (City of Solvang portion)	387,733
Santa Ynez WCD, ID #1	129,223
Total	\$6,396,362

N. Self-Funded Dental/Vision Insurance Plan

The Authority maintains a self-insured plan for dental and vision coverage offered to employees. Under the provisions of the plan, each full-time employee was provided \$4,179 this fiscal year to pay dental and vision expenses for the employee and their qualified dependents.

The following table shows a summary of the claims liability and claims paid for the plan years ended June 30, 2025 and 2024

	2025	2024
Maximum claims liability	129,231	121,191
Actual claims paid	(73,473)	(74,376)

O. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported period. As a result, actual results may differ from those estimates.

P. New and Future Accounting Pronouncements

In FY 2023/24 and 2024/25 the GASB Pronouncements listed below were implemented.

GASB 104 – Disclosure of Certain Capital Assets, effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2025. The objective of this statement is to improve key components of the financial reporting model to enhance its effectiveness in providing information that is essential for decision making and assessing a government’s accountability. Implementation of this statement did not have a material impact on the authority’s financial statements.

GASB 103 – Financial reporting model improvements, effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2025. The requirements related to financial reporting model improvements in relation to the MD&A section are effective after June 15, 2025, and all period thereafter. Implementation of this statement did not have a material impact on the authority’s financial statements.

GASB 102 – Certain Risk Disclosures, effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024. The requirements related to certain risk disclosures are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024, and all reporting periods thereafter. Implementation of this statement did not have a material impact on the authority’s financial statements.

GASB 101 –Compensated Absences, effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023. The statement requires liabilities for compensated absences be recognized for (1) leave that has not been used and (2) leave that has been used but not yet paid in cash or settled through non-cash

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means. Implementation of this statement did not have a material impact on the authority's financial statements.

GASB 100 –Accounting Changes and Error Corrections - An amendment of GASB Statement No.62, effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023. The statement defines accounting changes as changes in accounting principles, accounting estimates. The statement addresses corrections of errors in previously issued financial statements. Implementation of this statement did not have a material impact on the authority's financial statements.

GASB 99 –Omnibus 2022, effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023, effective for certain statement requirements for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022 and requirements related to financial guarantees and the classification and reporting of derivative instruments within the scope of Statement 53 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023. The Statement enhances comparability in accounting and financial reporting to improve the consistency of authoritative literature by addressing (1) practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements and (2) accounting and financial reporting for financial guarantees. Implementation of this statement did not have a material impact on the authority's financial statements.

Q. Net Pension Liability

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position and additions to/deductions from the fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the CalPERS Financial Office, and are in accordance with the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68. Investments are reported at fair value. CalPERS audited financial statements are publicly available reports that can be obtained at CalPERS' website under Forms and Publications.

R. Other Post Employment Benefit (“OPEB”) Liability

In measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to the OPEB benefit and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position and additions to/deductions from the fiduciary net position have been prepared in accordance with GASB Statement No. 75. The valuation for the fiscal year 2024/25 was actuarially prepared and was based on the Authorities Plan provisions, participant data, and asset information provided by the

Authority. As permitted under GASB 75, the total OPEB liability has been calculated using the June 30, 2023 actuarial valuation.

S. Fair Value Measurements

The Authority's investments are carried at fair value and its fair value measurements are categorized within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Authority used valuation techniques that are appropriate under the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value. Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. For fiscal year June 30, 2025 and 2024 the application of valuation techniques applied to the Authority's financial statements has been consistent.

T. Net Position

GASB Statement No. 34, amended by GASB Statement No. 63, adds the concept of net position, which is measured on the full accrual basis. Net position is the Authority's excess of all of the Authority's assets over all its liabilities. Net position is divided into three categories and are described as follows:

Net Investment in Capital Assets: Describes the portion of the net position which is represented by the current net book value of the Authority's capital assets, less the outstanding balance of any debt issued to finance those assets.

Restricted Net Position: Describes the portion of net position which is restricted as to use by the terms and conditions of agreements with outside parties, governmental regulations, laws, or other restrictions which the Authority cannot unilaterally alter. These principally include debt service requirements.

Unrestricted Net Position: Describes the portion of net position which is not restricted to use.

U. Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior year financial statements to conform to the current year presentation.

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Note 2: Cash and Investments

A. Pooling

The Authority follows the practice of pooling cash and investments for all funds under its direct daily control. Funds held by outside fiscal agents under provisions of the bond indenture are maintained separately. Interest income from cash and investments with fiscal agents is credited directly to the related accounts. The Authority considers all pooled cash and investments to be cash equivalents.

B. Demand Deposits

The custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that the Authority will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. This risk is mitigated in that of the total bank balance, \$250,000 is insured by Federal depository insurance.

The California Government Code requires California banks and savings and loan associations to secure the Authority's deposits by pledging government securities as collateral. The fair value of pledged securities must equal at least 110% of the Authority's deposits. California law also allows financial institutions to secure Authority deposits by pledging first trust deed mortgage notes having a value of 150% of the Authority's total deposits.

As of June 30, 2025, the reported amount of the Authority's demand deposits was \$681,957 and the bank balance was \$724,256. The difference of \$42,299 was principally due to checks and a pension plan contribution which had not yet cleared the bank.

As of June 30, 2024, the reported amount of the Authority's demand deposits was \$649,842 and the bank balance was \$1,034,219. The difference of \$384,377 was principally due to checks which had not yet cleared the bank.

C. Cash and Investments

The Authority is authorized by its investment policy, in accordance with Section 53601 of the California Government Code, to invest in the following instruments: securities issued or guaranteed by the Federal Government or its agencies, commercial paper, money market funds, and the State Treasurer's Local Agency Investment Funds ("LAIF").

All of the Authority's deposits, except certain cash balances held by fiscal agents, are entirely insured or collateralized. The California Government Code requires California banks and savings and loans to secure the Authority's deposits by pledging government securities as collateral. The fair value of the pledged securities must equal 110% of the Authority's deposits. California law also allows financial institutions to secure Authority deposits by pledging first trust deed mortgage notes equal to 150% of the Authority's deposits. The Authority may waive collateral requirements for deposits, which are fully insured up to \$250,000 by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC").

The Authority categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. These principles recognize a three-tiered fair value hierarchy, as follows:

Level 1: Investments reflect prices quoted in an active market;

Level 2: Investments reflect prices that are based on similar observable assets either directly or indirectly, which may include inputs in markets that are not considered to be active; and,

Level 3: Investments reflect prices based upon unobservable sources.

The fair value of pooled investments is determined annually and is based on current market prices received from the securities custodian. The fair value of participants' position in the pool is the same as the value of the pool shares. The method used to determine the value of participants' equity withdrawn is based on the book value of the participants' percentage participation at the date of such withdrawal. LAIF is required to invest in accordance with State statutes. LAIF invests in Bonds, debentures, and notes issued by corporations organized and operating within the United States. Securities eligible for investment under this subdivision shall within the top three ratings of a nationally recognized rating service. The State LAIF pool credit quality is unrated and not subject to the fair value hierarchy.

At June 30, 2025, the carrying value of the Authority's position in money market funds was \$91,749,202 and the fair value was \$91,749,202, with an overall average maturity of 0 days.

At June 30, 2024, the carrying value of the Authority's position in T-bills and Treasury money market funds was \$88,084,067 and the fair value was \$88,171,262, with an overall average maturity of 0 days.

The Authority held 6-month U.S. Treasury notes as of June 30, 2024 and did not hold any U.S. Treasury notes as of June 30, 2025.

Credit Risk and Concentration of Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of an investment in a single issuer. The Treasurer mitigates these risks by holding a diversified portfolio of high-quality investments. The policy sets specific parameters by type of investment for credit quality, maturity length, and maximum percentage investment.

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, the Authority will not be able to recover the value of investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Treasurer mitigates this risk by investing in shorter-term investments that are not subject to significant adjustments due to interest rate fluctuations.

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Note 3: Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025:

	Beg Balance June 30, 2024	Additions/ Transfers	Deletions/ Transfers	End Balance June 30, 2025
Capital Assets, not depreciated				
Land	\$ 3,178,700	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,178,700
Construction-in-process	1,195,221	1,604,378	(1,615,515)	1,184,083
Total Capital Assets, not depreciated	4,373,921	1,604,378	(1,615,515)	4,362,783
Depreciable Assets:				
Furniture fixtures and equipment	932,612	-	-	932,612
Lab Equipment	549,743	-	-	549,743
Transportation Equipment	983,145	49,162	(66,094)	966,213
Plant Equipment	17,974,968	510,635	(389,954)	18,095,648
Pipeline Equipment	12,639,324	730,120	(563,276)	12,806,169
Buildings and structures	49,238,993	-	-	49,238,993
Underground pipeline	59,925,077	-	-	59,925,077
Land improvement	62,266	-	-	62,266
Total depreciable assets	142,306,129	1,289,916	(1,019,325)	142,576,721
Accumulated Depreciation:				
Furniture fixtures and equipment	(779,016)	(62,356)	-	(841,372)
Lab Equipment	(309,916)	(40,263)	-	(350,179)
Transportation Equipment	(777,458)	(112,250)	66,094	(823,614)
Plant Equipment	(9,340,364)	(495,785)	281,854	(9,554,294)
Pipeline Equipment	(9,637,305)	(414,409)	335,651	(9,716,063)
Buildings and structures	(19,104,748)	(744,841)	-	(19,849,591)
Underground pipeline	(21,441,676)	(804,067)	-	(22,245,743)
Land Improvement	(16,950)	(4,151)	-	(21,101)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(61,407,433)	(2,678,122)	683,599	(63,401,956)
Total Depreciable Capital Assets, net	80,898,695	(1,388,206)	(335,725)	79,174,764
Total Capital Assets, net	\$ 85,272,616	\$ 216,171	\$ (1,951,241)	\$ 83,537,547

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Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024:

	Beg Balance June 30, 2023	Additions/ Transfers	Deletions/ Transfers	End Balance June 30, 2024
Capital Assets, not depreciated				
Land	\$ 3,178,700	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,178,700
Construction-in-process	1,020,098	750,974	(575,851)	1,195,221
Total Capital Assets, not depreciated	4,198,798	750,974	(575,851)	4,373,920
Depreciable Assets:				
Furniture fixtures and equipment	871,224	61,388	-	932,612
Lab Equipment	368,898	180,845		549,743
Transportation Equipment	1,012,391	-	(29,246)	983,145
Plant Equipment	17,912,425	132,702	(70,158)	17,974,967
Pipeline Equipment	12,552,900	86,424		12,639,325
Buildings and structures	49,238,993	-		49,238,993
Underground pipeline	59,925,077			59,925,077
Land improvement	62,266			62,266
Total depreciable assets	141,944,174	461,357	(99,404)	142,306,129
Accumulated Depreciation:				
Furniture fixtures and equipment	(721,772)	(57,243)	-	(779,016)
Lab Equipment	(293,058)	(16,858)		(309,916)
Transportation Equipment	(695,818)	(110,885)	29,246	(777,458)
Plant Equipment	(8,900,615)	(502,891)	63,142	(9,340,363)
Pipeline Equipment	(9,224,286)	(413,019)		(9,637,305)
Buildings and structures	(18,358,952)	(745,796)		(19,104,749)
Underground pipeline	(20,637,609)	(804,067)		(21,441,676)
Land Improvement	(12,799)	(4,151)		(16,950)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(58,844,911)	(2,654,911)	92,388	(61,407,434)
Total Depreciable Capital Assets, net	83,099,264	(2,193,554)	(7,016)	80,898,695
Total Capital Assets, net	\$ 87,298,062	\$ (1,442,580)	\$ (582,868)	\$ 85,272,616

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Note 4: Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

Beginning in fiscal year 2014/2015, the Authority reported deferred outflows and inflows for pension-related adjustments in accordance with GASB 68, and in fiscal year 2017/2018 began reporting OPEB related adjustments in accordance with GASB 75.

The table below presents the balances of deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources as of June 30, 2025.

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>
Pension-related adjustments	1,923,932
OPEB-related adjustments	558,806
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources, Net	<u>\$ 2,482,738</u>

	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Pension-related adjustments	52,102
OPEB-related adjustments	461,110
Total Deferred inflows of Resources	<u>\$ 513,212</u>

The table below presents the balances of deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources as of June 30, 2024.

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>
Pension-related adjustments	2,519,464
OPEB-related adjustments	656,348
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources, Net	<u>\$ 3,175,812</u>

	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Pension-related adjustments	134,014
OPEB-related adjustments	451,137
Total Deferred inflows of Resources	<u>\$ 585,151</u>

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Note 5: Non-Current Liabilities

The non-current liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2025 is as follows:

	Balance			Balance	Amount Due	Amount Due More
	July 1, 2024	Additions	Reductions	June 30, 2025	in One Year	Than One Year
Compensated Absences	\$ 235,887	\$ 304,964	\$ (314,990)	\$ 225,861	\$ 225,861	\$ -
OPEB Liability	935,428	-	(228,823)	706,605	-	706,605
Rate Coverage Reserve Fund	9,495,379	-	-	9,495,379	-	9,495,379
DWR Reserve Fund	6,107,343	393,996	(104,976)	6,396,363	-	6,396,363
Escrow Deposits	513,000	-	-	513,000	-	513,000
Net Pension Liability	5,152,176	-	(217,976)	4,934,200	-	4,934,200
Total Non-Current Liabilities	\$ 22,439,214	\$ 698,960	\$ (866,765)	\$ 22,271,408	\$ 225,861	\$ 22,045,547

The non-current liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2024 is as follows:

	Balance			Balance	Amount Due	Amount Due More
	July 1, 2023	Additions	Reductions	June 30, 2024	in One Year	Than One Year
Compensated Absences	\$ 247,417	\$ 296,062	\$ (307,592)	\$ 235,887	\$ 235,887	\$ -
OPEB Liability	883,831	179,349	(92,953)	970,227	-	970,227
Rate Coverage Reserve Fund	9,282,179	87,260	-	9,369,439	-	9,369,439
DWR Reserve Fund	-	-	1,562,433	1,562,433	-	1,562,433
Escrow Deposits	408,675	80,755	(8,472)	480,958	-	480,958
Net Pension Liability	3,756,159	(261,692)	-	3,494,467	-	3,494,467
Total Non-Current Liabilities	\$ 14,578,262	\$ 381,734	\$ 1,153,416	\$ 16,113,411	\$ 235,887	\$ 15,877,524

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Note 6: Pension Plan

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position and additions to/deductions from the fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the CalPERS Financial Office. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when currently due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

A. General Information about the Pension Plans

Plan Description - All qualified employees and probationary employees are required to participate in the Authority's cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan ("Plan") administered by the California Public Employees' Retirement System ("CalPERS"). The Plan consists of individual rate plans (benefit tiers) within a miscellaneous risk pool. Plan assets may be used to pay benefits for any employer rate plan of the miscellaneous pools. Accordingly, rate plans are not separate plans under GASB Statement No. 68. Individual employers may sponsor more than one rate plan in the miscellaneous pool. The Authority currently sponsors one miscellaneous rate plan. Benefit provisions under the Plan are established by State statute and the Authority's resolution. Requests for detailed plan provisions and copies of CalPERS' annual financial report can be obtained from CalPERS Fiscal Services Division, P.O. Box 942703, Sacramento, CA, 94229-2703 or <http://www.calpers.ca.gov>.

Benefits Provided - CalPERS provides service retirement and disability benefits, annual cost of living adjustments and death benefits to plan members, who must be public employees and beneficiaries. Benefits are based on years of credited service, equal to one year of full time employment. Classic and PEPRAs members with five years of total service are eligible to retire at age 50 or 52 respectively with statutorily reduced benefits. All members are eligible for non-duty disability benefits after 10 years of service. The death benefit is one of the following: the Basic Death Benefit, the 1959 Survivor Benefit, or the Optional Settlement 2W Death Benefit. The cost of living adjustments for each plan are applied as specified by Public Employees' Retirement Law.

The rate plan provisions and benefits in effect at June 30, 2025, are summarized as follows:

	Authority Plan	
	Classic Member*	PEPRA
Hire date	Prior to January 1, 2013	On or after January 1, 2013
Benefit formula	2% @ 55	2% @ 62
Benefit vesting schedule	5 years' service	5 years' service
Benefit payments	monthly for life	monthly for life
Retirement age	50 - 63	52 - 67
Monthly benefits, as a % of eligible compensation	1.100% to 2.500%	1.000% to 2.500%
Required employee contribution rates	7.0%	8.25%
Required employer contribution rates	13.31%	8.18%

Beginning in fiscal year 2016, CalPERS collects employer contributions for the Plan as a percentage of payroll for the normal cost portion as noted in the rates above and as a dollar amount for contributions toward the unfunded liability and side fund. The dollar amounts are billed monthly. The Authority's required contribution for the unfunded liability was \$373,391, with an additional optional payment of \$125,000 in fiscal year 2024/25. The Authority's required contribution for the unfunded liability was \$317,101, with an additional optional payment of \$125,000 in fiscal year 2023/24.

*A Classic PERS member is an employee who qualifies under one of the following categories: An employee who was brought into CalPERS membership for the first time prior to January 1, 2013. An employee that was hired on or after January 1, 2013, yet is eligible for reciprocity with another public retirement system. An employee who is brought back by the same CalPERS employer, regardless of the length of break in service.

Contributions - Section 20814(c) of the California Public Employees' Retirement Law ("PERL") requires that the employer contribution rates for all public employers be determined on an annual basis by the actuary and shall be effective on the July 1 following notice of a change in the rate. Funding contributions for the Plans are determined annually on an actuarial basis as of June 30 by CalPERS. The actuarially determined rate is the estimated amount necessary to finance any unfunded accrued liability. The Authority is

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required to contribute the difference between the actuarially determined rate and the contribution rate of employees.

Payments made by the employer to satisfy contribution requirements that are identified by the pension plan terms as plan member contribution requirements are classified as plan member contributions.

The Authority's contributions to the Plan for the year ended June 30, 2025 were \$946,579.

The Authority's contributions to the Plan for the year ended June 30, 2024 were \$866,174.

B. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expenses and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

As of June 30, 2025, the Authority reported net pension liabilities for its proportionate share of the net pension liability of each Plan as follows:

	Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability/(Asset)	
	Fiscal Year Ending	
	June 30, 2025	June 30, 2024
Total	\$ 4,934,200	\$ 5,152,176

The Authority's net pension liability for the Plan is measured as the proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability of the Plan is measured as of June 30, 2024, and the total pension liability for the Plan used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2023 with update procedures used to roll forward the total pension liability to June 30, 2024. The Authority's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Authority's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined.

	Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability/(Asset)		
	Percentage Share of Plan		Change: Increase (Decrease)
	6/30/2025	6/30/2024	
Measurement Date	6/30/2024	6/30/2023	
Percentage of Plan (PERF C) NPL	0.04069%	0.04130%	-0.00061%

Pension Expense for Fiscal Year

	2024/25	2023/24
Total pension expense (income) for fiscal year	\$ 1,242,223	\$ 1,286,335

For the year ending June 30, 2025, the Authority reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 426,607	\$ (16,646)
Changes of assumptions	126,819	-
Net differences between projected and actual earnings on plan investments	284,056	-
Change in employer's proportion	102,707	-
Differences between the employer's contributions and the employer's proportionate share of contributions	37,164	(35,456)
Pension contributions subsequent to measurement date	946,579	-
Total	\$1,923,932	\$ (52,102)

\$946,579 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2026. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized as pension expense as follows:

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Year Ending June 30	Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources
2026	\$ 352,091
2027	654,126
2028	16,376
2029	(97,342)
2030	-
Thereafter	-
	<u>\$ 925,251</u>

For the year ending June 30, 2024, the Authority reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$263,201	\$ (40,829)
Changes of assumptions	311,060	-
Net differences between projected and actual earnings on plan investments	834,184	-
Change in employer's proportion	228,843	-
Differences between the employer's contributions and the employer's proportionate share of contributions	16,002	(93,185)
Pension contributions subsequent to measurement date	866,174	-
Total	<u>\$ 2,519,464</u>	<u>\$ (134,014)</u>

\$866,174 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2025.

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized as pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources
2025	\$ 510,448
2026	339,729
2027	645,163
2028	23,936
Thereafter	-
	<u>\$ 1,519,276</u>

Actuarial Assumptions - For the measurement period ending June 30, 2024, the total pension liabilities were determined from the June 30, 2023 actuarial valuation date, with update procedures used to roll forward the total pension liability to June 30, 2024. The June 30, 2025 total pension liabilities were based on the following actuarial methods and assumptions:

Plan	
Valuation Date	June 30, 2023
Measurement Date	June 30, 2024
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal
Discount Rate	6.90%
Inflation	2.30%
Projected salary Increase	(1)
Investment Rate of Return	6.90% (2)
Mortality	Derived using CalPERS' Membership Data for all funds (3)
Post Retirement Benefit Increase	Contract COLA up to 2.30% until Purchasing Power Protection Allowance Floor on Purchasing Power applies

(1) Depending on age, service and type of employment

(2) Net of pension plan investment and administrative expenses; includes inflation

(3) Derived using CalPERS' Membership Data for all Funds. The mortality table was developed based on CalPERS-specific data. The rates incorporate Generational Mortality to capture ongoing mortality improvement using 80% of Scale MP 2020 published by the Society of

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Actuaries. For more details, please refer to the 2021 experience study report that can be found on the CalPERS website

All other actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2024 valuation found in the CalPERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for June 30, 2024 here:

<https://www.calpers.ca.gov/docs/forms-publications/gasb-68-public-agency-schedules-2024.pdf>

were based on the results of the *CalPERS Experience Study and Review of Actuarial Assumptions December 2017*. The Experience Study report may be accessed on the CalPERS website at <http://www.calpers.ca.gov> under Forms and Publications.

Change in Assumptions – In 2018, demographic assumptions and the inflation rate were changed in accordance to the *CalPERS Experience Study and Review of Actuarial Assumptions December 2017*. The Experience Study report may be accessed on the CalPERS website at <http://www.calpers.ca.gov> under Forms and Publications.

Discount Rate In Fiscal Year 2024-25 the discount rate did not change from 6.9 % in fiscal year 2023-24. In Fiscal Year 2016-17, the financial reporting discount rate used by CalPERS was reduced from 7.65 percent to 7.15 percent. In December 2016, the CalPERS Board of Administration approved lowering the funding discount rate used from 7.50 percent to 7.00 percent using a three-year phase-in beginning with the June 30, 2016 actuarial valuation. The discount rate used in the actuarial valuation reflects the long-term expected rate of return for the plan. Lowering the discount rate means the Authority will see increases in both normal costs (the cost of pension benefits accruing in one year for active members) and the accrued liabilities. These increases will result in higher required employer contributions. In addition, active members hired after January 1, 2013, under the PEPRA may also see their contributions rates rise.

To determine whether the municipal bond rate should be used in the calculation of the discount rate for each plan, the amortization and smoothing methods adopted by the CalPERS Board in 2013 were used. CalPERS conducted cash flow projections to determine if assets would run out under the assumed discount rate. CalPERS refers to these projections as “crossover tests”. Based on crossover testing of the plan, the tests revealed the assets would not run out. Therefore the 6.9% long-term expected rate of return on

pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The cash flows used in the testing were developed assuming that both members and employers will make their required contributions on time and as scheduled in all future years. The stress test results are presented in a detailed report called “GASB Crossover Testing Report” that can be obtained at CalPERS website under the GASB 68 section.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class.

In determining the long-term expected rate of return, CalPERS took into account both short-term and long-term market return expectations as well as the expected pension fund (“PERF”) cash flows. Using historical returns of all the Public Employees Retirement Funds’ asset classes (which includes the agent plan and two cost-sharing plans or PERF A, B, and C funds), expected compound (geometric) returns were calculated over the short-term (first 10 years) and the long-term (11+ years) using a building-block approach. Using the expected nominal returns for both short-term and long-term, the present value of benefits was calculated for each PERF fund. The expected rate of return was set by calculating the rounded single equivalent expected return that arrived at the same present value of benefits for cash flows as the one calculated using both short-term and long-term returns. The expected rate of return was then set equal to the single equivalent rate calculated above and adjusted to account for assumed administrative expenses.

The table below reflects long-term expected real rate of return by asset class. The rate of return was calculated using the capital market assumptions applied to determine the discount rate.

Asset Class ^(a)	Assumed Target Allocation	Real Return Years 1–10 ^(b)
Global Equity -cap-weighted	30.0%	4.54%
Global Equity-non-cap weighted	12.0%	3.84%
Treasury	5.00%	0.27%
Private Equity	13.0%	7.28%
Real Assets	15.0%	3.21%
Mortgage-backed securities	5.0%	0.50%
Investment Grade Corporates	10.0%	1.56%
High Yield	5.0%	2.27%

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Emerging Market Debt	5.0%	2.48%
Private Debt	5.0%	3.57%
Leverage	-5.0%	-0.59%
Total	100.00%	

Note 7: Post-Employment Benefits Other Than Pensions

A. General Information about OPEB

The Authority provides other post-employment benefits (“OPEB”), to qualified employees who retire within 120 days of separation from employment with the Authority, and are eligible to receive medical services under a plan offered through the California Public Employees’ Medical and Hospital Care Act (“PEMHCA”) at the time of retirement. The CalPERS PEMHCA Plan is a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plan providing benefits to active and retired employees. The healthcare plan is administered by CalPERS. Copies of the CalPERS annual financial report can be found online at www.calpers.ca.gov.

Plan Description - Eligibility: For full time employees retired prior to September 22, 2016, or retiring with less than 10 years of service with the Authority, the benefit will be the minimum contribution as required by PEMCHA. Vesting will be applied to an enhanced retiree benefit that is provided for employees retired after September 22, 2016, who are at least 62 years of age at retirement and have at least 10 years of service with the Authority. This vesting schedule ranges from 50% to 80% of the retiree premium only and is based on years of CCWA service. The enhanced contribution requirements are established and may be amended by the Board of Directors. Plan information is summarized in the table below:

(a) In the System’s Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, Fixed Income is included in Global Debt Securities; Liquidity is included in Short-term Investments; Inflation Assets are included in both Global Equity Securities and Global Debt Securities.

(b) An expected inflation of 2.30% used for this period.
<https://www.calpers.ca.gov/documents/gasb-68-public-agency-schedules-2024/>

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability(Asset) to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following presents the Authority’s proportionate share of the net pension liability for the Plan, calculated using the discount rate for the Plan, as well as what the Authority’s proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower or 1-percentage point higher than the current rate:

Sensitivity of Net Pension Liability as of 6/30/25

	Discount Rate – 1% (5.90%)	Current Discount Rate (6.90%)	Discount Rate + 1% (7.90%)
Miscellaneous			
Plan’s Net Pension Liability/(Asset)	\$8,533,205	\$4,934,200	\$1,971,689

Sensitivity of Net Pension Liability as of 6/30/24

	Discount Rate – 1% (5.90%)	Current Discount Rate (6.90%)	Discount Rate + 1% (7.90%)
Miscellaneous			
Plan’s Net Pension Liability/(Asset)	\$8,499,110	\$5,152,176	\$2,397,362

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position – Detail information about each pension plan’s fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued CalPERS financial reports.

Plan Information

	Fiscal Year End June 30, 2025 & 2024
Plan Type	Single Employer
OPEB Trust	Yes
Special Funding Situation	No
Non-employer contributing entities	No

Covered Participants as of June 30, 2024 Measurement Date

In-actives currently receiving benefits	6
In-actives entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	6
Active Employees	32
Total	44

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Applicable Dates and Periods

	Fiscal Year End
	June 30, 2025
Measurement date (MD)	June 30, 2024
Measurement period	July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024
Actuarial Valuation Date	June 30, 2023

Actuarial Assumptions - For the measurement period ending June 30, 2025, the total OPEB liabilities were determined from the June 30, 2023 actuarial valuation date. For the measurement period ended June 30, 2024, the total OPEB liabilities were determined by rolling forward the June 30, 2023 total OPEB liability from the June 30, 2023 actuarial valuation date. The June 30, 2025 total OPEB liability was based on the following actuarial methods and assumptions:

Significant Actuarial Assumptions used for Total OPEB Liability

Actuarial Assumption	Measurement Date
Actuarial Valuation Date	June 30, 2023
Contribution Policy	Authority Contributes full ADC
Discount Rate and Long Term Expected Rate of Return on Assets	5.75% at June 30, 2024 5.75% at June 30, 2023 Expected Authority contributions projected to keep sufficient plan assets to pay all benefits from trust
General Inflation	2.50% annually
Retirement, Disability, Termination	CalPERS 2000-2019 Experience Study*
Mortality Improvement	Mortality projected fully generational with scale MP-2021 Aggregate - 2.75% annually
Salary Increases	Merit - CalPERS 2000-2019 Experience Study Non-Medicare-8.50% for 2025, decreasing to an ultimate rate of 3.45% in 2076
Medical Trend	Medicare (non-Kaiser)-7.50% for 2025, decreasing to an ultimate rate of 3.45% in 2076 Medicare (Kaiser)-6.25% for 2025, decreasing to an ultimate rate of 3.45% in 2076
PEMHCA Minimum Increases	3.50% annually
Cap Increases	Medical Trend
Active Employee/Spouse Participation at Retirement	45% elect single coverage with 1-10 years of service

65% elect single coverage with 10+ years of service

35% elect dual coverage (spouses pay full premium, no Authority cash subsidy except for survivors)

Medical Plan at Retirement	Remain in their current plan upon retirement
Changes of Assumptions	None
Changes of benefit terms	None

*The CalPERS Experience Study reports may be accessed on the CalPERS website at www.calpers.ca.gov under Forms and Publications.

Funding Policy: PEMHCA determines the amount contributed by the Authority toward retiree health insurance. In January 2025, the minimum required contribution the Authority pays toward the cost of retiree health insurance increased from \$157 per month to \$158 per month. The balance of the retiree premium, averaging approximately \$625 per month, is paid directly by the retirees to CalPERS. The mandatory employer contribution for active and retiree health insurance is increased annually in accordance with PEMHCA regulations. Beginning in calendar year 2009, the contribution amount increases by the change in the annual consumer price index. During the 2024-25 fiscal year, \$22,222 was recognized for post-retirement health insurance contribution on a pay-as-you-go basis. During the 2023-24 fiscal year \$24,120 was recognized for post-retirement health insurance contribution on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Funded Status and Funding Progress:

The funded status of the plan as of June 30, 2025, is shown below:

	Net OPEB Liability	
	Fiscal Year Ending	
	6/30/2024	6/30/2025
	Measurement Date 6/30/2023	Measurement Date 6/30/2024
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 2,047,286	\$ 2,218,575
Fiduciary Net Position	1,111,858	1,511,970
Net OPEB Liability	\$ 935,428	\$ 706,605
Funded Status	54.3%	68.2%

Annual OPEB Cost: For fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the Authority recorded the OPEB expense as indicated below. This cost is comprised by calculating service cost, interest on

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the Total OPEB Liability, projected earnings on investments, and any return of assets:

OPEB Expense for Fiscal Year 2024/25	
Measurement Period 2023/24	
OPEB Expense	\$ 131,298
OPEB Expense for Fiscal Year 2023/24	
Measurement Period 2022/23	
OPEB Expense	\$ 169,342

Net differences between projected and actual earnings on plan investments*	8,982	-
Employer contributions made subsequent to the measurement date**	266,899	-
Total	\$ 656,348	\$ 451,137

* Deferred Inflows and Outflows combined for footnote disclosure
 ** Contributions to trust of \$266,899 comprising of \$24,119 in cash benefits, \$33,901 in implied subsidy benefits, \$ 163 in admin expense and additional \$208,716 paid by the Authority.

\$252,606 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of net OPEB liability in the year ending June 30, 2026. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized as pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Deferred Outflows/(Inflows) of Resources
2026	\$ (30,674)
2027	(9,328)
2028	(31,693)
2029	(18,166)
2030	(40,657)
Thereafter	(24,392)
	\$ (154,910)

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revisions as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows	Balances at June 30, 2025	
	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$59,199	\$ 363,309
Changes of assumptions	247,001	8,501
Net differences between projected and actual earnings on plan investments*	-	89,300
Employer contributions made subsequent to the measurement date**	252,606	-
Total	\$ 558,806	\$ 461,110

* Deferred Inflows and Outflows combined for footnote disclosure
 ** Contributions to trust of \$252,606 comprising of \$22,222 in cash benefits, \$16,799 in implied subsidy benefits, \$109 admin expense and additional \$213,476 paid by the Authority.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows	Balances at June 30, 2024	
	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$74,777	\$ 440,136
Changes of assumptions	305,690	11,001

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Changes in Net OPEB Liability during the current fiscal year are shown below:

Changes in the Net OPEB Liability

	Total OPEB Liability	Fiduciary Net Position	Net OPEB Liability
Balance at 6/30/24 (6/30/23 measurement date)	\$ 2,047,286	\$ 1,111,858	\$935,428
Changes for the year:			
Service Cost	107,100	-	107,100
Interest	122,209	-	122,209
Benefit changes	-	-	-
Actual vs. expected exp.	-	-	-
Assumption changes	-	-	-
Contributions—employer *	-	266,899	(266,899)
Contributions—employee	-	-	-
Net investment income**	-	192,626	(192,626)
Benefit payments	(58,020)	(58,020)	-
Administrative Exp.	-	(1,393)	1,393
Net Changes	171,289	400,112	(228,823)
Balance at 6/30/25 (6/30/24 measurement date)	\$2,218,575	\$1,511,970	\$706,605

*Contributions to trust of \$252,606 comprising of \$22,222 in cash benefits \$16,799 in implied subsidy benefits, \$109 in admin expense and additional \$213,476 paid by the Authority.

** Adjusted for rounding issues

Changes in Net OPEB Liability during fiscal year 2023/24 are shown below:

Changes in the Net OPEB Liability

	Total OPEB Liability	Fiduciary Net Position	Net OPEB Liability
Balance at 6/30/23 (6/30/22 measurement date)	\$ 2,175,348	\$ 852,916	\$1,322,432
Changes for the year:			
Service Cost	96,930	-	96,930
Interest	129,352	-	129,352
Benefit changes	-	-	-
Actual vs. expected exp.	(414,353)	-	(414,353)
Assumption changes	105,362	-	105,362
Contributions—employer *	-	195,484	(195,484)
Contributions—employee	-	-	-
Net investment income**	-	109,939	(109,939)
Benefit payments	(45,353)	(45,353)	-
Administrative Exp.	-	(1,128)	1,128
Net Changes	(128,062)	258,942	(387,004)
Balance at 6/30/24 (6/30/23 measurement date)	\$2,047,286	\$1,111,858	\$935,428

*Contributions to trust of \$266,899 comprising of \$24,119 in cash benefits \$33,901 in implied subsidy benefits, \$163 in admin expense and additional \$208,716 paid by the Authority.

Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Interest Rate and Healthcare Trend Rate– The following presents the Authority’s net OPEB liability for the Plan, illustrating sensitivity based on changes in the discount rate and changes in the Healthcare Trend Rate:

Changes in the Discount Rate

	1% Decrease (4.75%)	Current Rate (5.75%)	1% Increase (6.75%)
Net OPEB Liability at 6/30/25	\$1,046,300	\$ 706,605	\$ 427,669
Net OPEB Liability at 6/30/24	\$1,252,041	\$935,428	\$675,676

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Changes in the Healthcare Trend Rate

	1% Decrease	Current Trend	1% Increase
Net OPEB Liability at 6/30/25	\$ 365,450	\$ 706,605	\$1,135,487
Net OPEB Liability at 6/30/24	\$631,778	\$935,428	\$1,316,328

Expected Long-Term Rate of Return

Asset Class Component	Portfolio Weight * ICMA-RC	Expected Real Rate of Return
US Short Duration Govt/Credit	4.63%	0.24%
US Aggregate Bonds	19.29%	0.78%
TIPS	2.98%	-0.08%
US High Yield Bonds	4.69%	3.00%
US Large Cap	47.78%	3.87%
US Mid Cap	5.97%	3.92%
US Small Cap	1.29%	4.55%
Int'l Equity – Developed	9.41%	4.49%
Int'l Equity – Emerging Markets	3.46%	5.25%
Cash	0.50%	-0.50%
Assumed Long-Term Rate of Inflation		2.50%
Expected Long-Term Net Rate of Return**		5.75%

* For VT II Model Portfolio Moderate Fund

** Rounded

Note 8: Commitments and Uncertainties

The Authority entered into a water exchange agreement (SWPAO# 17-022) with Kern County Water Agency (“SEMITROPIC”) in 2018 on behalf of certain project participants for water banking and exchange. All water banked will be returned, less 10% losses. As of 2025, 6,424 AF have been stored in the water bank.

The Authority is involved in various legal proceedings, lawsuits and claims of a nature considered normal for its activities. It is the Authority's policy to accrue for amounts related to these legal matters if it is probable that a liability has been incurred and an amount is reasonably estimable. For the period ending June 30, 2025 and June 30, 2024, the Authority estimates no liability for claims or judgments. On October 6, 2025, the Authority reached an agreement with the Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (“SBCFCWCD”) related to the resolution of Central Coast Water Authority, et a. v. SBCFCWCD, et al. (Santa Barbara Superior Court Case No. 21CV02432). Pursuant to that agreement, and subject to the occurrence of certain conditions precedent, the Authority agreed to dismiss the litigation and pay the SBCFCWCD

\$580,000 per year for 10 years beginning in fiscal year 2025-26. The total liability balance of \$5,800,000 will be recognized as an expense of the Authority in fiscal year 2025-26 and the annual payments will be included in each year's annual budget and assessment charges. The conditions precedent are anticipated to be satisfied before December 31, 2025.

All of the accounts receivable recorded by the Authority are payable by its local participants and the DWR under the agreements more fully described in Note 1.

Note 9: Joint Powers Insurance Authority

The Authority participates in the liability, property and fidelity bond insurance program organized by the Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Authority (“ACWA - JPIA”). ACWA - JPIA is a joint powers insurance authority created to provide a self-insurance program to water agencies in the State of California.

ACWA-JPIA provides liability, property, workers' compensation, fidelity, boiler and machinery insurance for approximately 300 water agencies for losses in excess of the members' specified self-insurance retention levels. Individual claims (and aggregate public liability and property claims) in excess of specified levels are covered by excess insurance policies purchased from commercial carriers. ACWA - JPIA is governed by a board composed of members from participating members. The board controls the operations of ACWA - JPIA, including selection of management and approval of operating budgets, independent of any influence by the members beyond their representation on the board.

Each member shares surpluses and deficiencies proportionately to its participation in ACWA - JPIA. The Authority has not incurred any settlements which exceeded insurance coverage for the past three fiscal years.

Note 10: Deferred Compensation Plan

The Authority offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. Under the terms of this plan, in calendar year 2025 and 2024 these limits were one hundred percent of salary or \$23,500 per year in 2025 and \$23,000 in 2024, whichever is less. Additionally, employees over the age of 50 are permitted to defer up to an additional \$7,500 per year for those years in which they did not fully contribute the annual maximum prior to age 50.

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Note 11: Subsequent Events

Events subsequent to June 30, 2025, have been evaluated through December 11, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Other than the potential claims and agreement entered into with SBCFCWCD discussed in Note 8, management did not identify any additional subsequent events for the year ending June 30, 2025 that required disclosure.

Required Supplementary Information

SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
TEN YEAR REVIEW
As of June 30, 2025

	Fiscal Year End									
	6/30/2025	6/30/2024	6/30/2023	6/30/2022	6/30/2021	6/30/2020	6/30/2019	6/30/2018	6/30/2017	6/30/2016
Measurement Date	6/30/2024	6/30/2023	6/30/2022	6/30/2021	6/30/2020	6/30/2019	6/30/2018	06/30/2017	06/30/2017	06/30/2015
Authority's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.04069%	0.04130%	0.04107%	0.02968%	0.03708%	0.03655%	0.03626%	0.037875%	0.038348%	0.037178%
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$4,934,200	\$5,152,176	\$4,744,132	\$1,604,954	\$4,034,798	\$3,745,005	\$3,494,467	\$3,756,159	\$3,318,324	\$2,551,875
Authority's covered Payroll	3,639,246	3,318,144	3,207,311	3,166,519	3,088,204	3,014,603	2,980,919	2,835,039	2,771,667	2,713,663
Authority's Proportionate Share of the net pension liability as percentage of covered payroll	135.58%	155.27%	147.92%	50.69%	130.65%	124.23%	117.23%	132.49%	119.72%	94.04%
Plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the plan's total pension liability	78.08%	76.21%	76.68%	88.29%	75.10%	75.26%	75.26%	73.31%	74.06%	78.40%

SCHEDULE OF PENSION PLAN CONTRIBUTIONS
TEN YEAR REVIEW
As of June 30, 2025

Miscellaneous Plan	2024-25	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16
Actuarial determined contributions (ADC)	\$ 821,579	\$ 741,174	\$ 711,310	\$ 637,353	\$ 597,313	\$ 533,106	\$ 481,354	\$ 444,625	\$ 423,429	\$ 395,321
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution ¹	(946,579)	(866,174)	(836,310)	(762,353)	(722,313)	(658,106)	(606,354)	(569,625)	(548,429)	(395,321)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ (125,000)	\$ (125,000)	\$ (125,000)	\$ (125,000)	\$ (125,000)	\$ (125,000)	\$ (125,000)	\$ (125,000)	\$ (125,000)	\$ -
Authority's covered payroll ^{2,3}	\$ 3,852,550	\$ 3,639,246	\$ 3,318,144	\$ 3,207,311	\$ 3,166,519	\$ 3,088,204	\$ 3,014,603	\$ 2,980,919	\$ 2,835,039	\$ 2,771,667
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll ²	24.57%	23.80%	25.20%	23.77%	22.81%	21.31%	20.11%	19.11%	19.34%	14.26%

¹ Employers are assumed to make contributions equal to the actuarially determined contributions. However, some employers may choose to make additional contributions towards their unfunded liability. Employer contributions for such plans exceed the actuarially determined contributions.

² Covered Payroll represented above is based on pensionable earnings provided by the employer. However, GASB 68 defines covered payroll as the total payroll of employees that are provided pensions through the pension plan. Accordingly, if pensionable earnings are different than total covered earnings, the employer should display in the disclosure footnotes the payroll based on total earnings for the covered group and recalculated the required payroll-related ratios.

³ Fiscal Payroll from prior year was assumed to increase by the 5.9% payroll growth assumption

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Actuarially Determined Contribution Assumption* – Pension

Valuation Date	June 30, 2022
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry age normal cost method
Amortization Method	Varies by date established and source. May be level dollar or level percent of pay and may include direct rate smoothing
Remaining Amortization Periods	Differs by employer rate plant
Asset valuation method	Fair value of assets
Inflation	2.30%
Salary Increases	Varies by category, entry age, and service
Discount Rate **	6.80% (net of investment and administrative expenses)
Mortality	Derived using CalPERS' Membership Data for all Funds. The post-retirement mortality rates include 15 years of projected on-going mortality improvement using 80% of the Society of Actuaries' Scale MP-2020

* From the CalPERS reports (Appendix A):

<https://www.calpers.ca.gov/docs/forms-publications/actuarial-valuation-section2-safety-2022.pdf>

<https://www.calpers.ca.gov/docs/forms-publications/actuarial-valuation-section2-miscellaneous-2022.pdf>

** Please note, the discount rate used for Actuarially Determined Contributions is different from the one used for Total Pension Liability (page 6).

SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS EIGHT YEAR REVIEW ¹ As of June 30, 2025

	2024-25 ¹	2023-24 ¹	2022-23 ¹	2021-22 ¹	2020-21 ¹	2019-20 ¹	2018-19 ¹	2017-18 ¹
Actuarial determined contributions (ADC)	\$ 201,252	\$ 213,476	\$ 208,716	\$ 149,950	\$ 145,414	\$ 156,800	\$ 152,227	\$ 147,785
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution ²	(252,606)	(266,899)	(195,484)	(303,279)	(21,761)	(164,391)	(59,449)	(53,122)
Contribution deficiency (surplus)	\$ (51,354)	\$ (53,423)	\$ 13,232	\$ (153,329)	\$ 123,653	\$ (7,591)	\$ 92,778	\$ 94,663
Authority's covered payroll ³	\$ 4,120,144	\$ 3,915,214	\$ 3,609,104	\$ 3,495,032	\$ 3,452,453	\$ 3,335,171	\$ 3,224,398	\$ 3,273,043
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	6.1%	6.8%	5.4%	8.7%	0.6%	4.9%	1.8%	1.6%

¹ This is a 8-year schedule. Information in this schedule is not available prior to 2017/18. Additional years will be added to this schedule in future fiscal years until 10 years of data is presented.

² Actual Fiscal Year contribution

³ For the 12 month period ending on June 30 (fiscal year end)

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SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET OPEB LIABILITY - EIGHT YEAR REVIEW ¹
AND RELATED RATIOS
As of June 30, 2025

	2024/25	2023/24	2022/23	2021/22	2020/21	2019/20	2018/19	2017/18
	Measurement Period 2023/24	Measurement Period 2022/23	Measurement Period 2021/22	Measurement Period 2020/21	Measurement Period 2019/20	Measurement Period 2018/19	Measurement Period 2017/18	Measurement Period 2016/17
Changes in Total OPEB Liability								
Service Cost	\$ 107,100	\$ 96,930	\$ 94,336	\$ 74,239	\$ 73,120	\$ 81,735	\$ 79,354	\$ 77,043
Interest	122,209	129,352	118,898	93,434	85,512	87,696	77,709	68,416
Actual vs. Expected Experience	-	(414,353)	-	121,511	-	(191,838)	-	-
Assumption Changes	-	105,362	343,274	(21,001)	7,029	-	-	-
Benefit Payments	(58,020)	(45,353)	(22,707)	(21,681)	(12,085)	(7,124)	(4,464)	(5,123)
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Changes	\$ 171,289	\$ (128,062)	\$ 190,527	\$ 610,777	\$ 125,546	\$ (22,502)	\$ 152,599	\$ 140,336
Total OPEB Liability (beginning of year)	2,047,286	2,175,348	1,984,821	1,374,044	1,248,498	1,271,000	1,118,401	978,065
Total OPEB Liability (end of year)	2,218,575	2,047,286	2,175,348	1,984,821	1,374,044	1,248,498	1,271,000	1,118,401
Changes in Plan Fiduciary Net Position								
Contributions - employer	\$ 266,899	\$ 195,484	\$ 303,279	\$ 21,761	\$ 164,391	\$ 59,449	\$ 53,122	\$ 43,201
Contributions - employee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Investment income	192,626	109,939	(108,705)	141,867	15,262	20,816	17,801	24,237
Benefit payments	(58,020)	(45,353)	(22,707)	(21,681)	(12,085)	(7,124)	(4,464)	(5,123)
Administrative Expenses	(1,393)	(1,128)	(878)	(663)	(516)	(323)	(256)	(122)
Other Changes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Changes	400,112	258,942	170,989	141,284	167,052	72,818	66,203	62,193
Plan Fiduciary Net Position (beginning of year)	1,111,858	852,916	681,927	540,643	373,591	300,773	234,570	172,377
Plan Fiduciary Net Position (end of year)	\$ 1,511,970	\$ 1,111,858	\$ 852,916	\$ 681,927	\$ 540,643	\$ 373,591	\$ 300,773	\$ 234,570
Net OPEB Liability	\$ 706,605	\$ 935,428	\$ 1,322,432	\$ 1,302,894	\$ 833,401	\$ 874,907	\$ 970,227	\$ 883,831
Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of Total OPEB Liability	68.2%	54.3%	39.2%	34.4%	39.3%	29.9%	23.7%	21.0%
Covered Payroll ²	3,915,214	3,609,104	3,495,032	3,452,453	3,335,171	3,224,398	3,273,043	3,194,536
Net OPEB Liability as a percentage of covered payroll	18.0%	25.9%	37.8%	37.7%	25.0%	27.1%	29.6%	27.7%

¹ This is a 8-year schedule. Information in this schedule is not available prior to 2017/18. Additional years will be added to this schedule in future fiscal years until 10 years of data is presented.

² For the 12-month period ending on the Measurement Date

Methods & Assumptions for 2024/25 Actuarially Determined Contribution - OPEB

Valuation Date	June 30, 2023
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry age normal, Level % of pay
Amortization Method	Level % of pay
Amortization Period	10-year fixed period for 2024/25
Asset valuation method	Investment gains and losses spread over 5-year rolling period
Discount Rate	5.75%
General Inflation	2.50%
Medical Trend	Non-Medicare-8.50% for 2025, decreasing to an ultimate rate of 3.45% in 2076 Medicare (Non-Kaiser)-7.50% for 2025, decreasing to an ultimate rate of 3.45% in 2076 Medicare (Kaiser)-4.6% for 2025, decreasing to an ultimate rate of 3.45% in 2076
Mortality	CalPERS 2000-2019 Experience Study
Mortality Improvement	Mortality projected fully generational with Scale MP-2021

STATISTICAL SECTION



STATISTICAL SECTION NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The information in this section is not covered by the Independent Auditor's Report, but is presented as supplemental data for the benefit of the readers of the annual comprehensive financial report. The objectives of statistical section information are to provide financial statement users with additional historical perspective, context and detail to assist in using the information in the financial statements, notes to financial statements, and required supplementary information to understand and assess a government's economic condition.

Financial Trends

These schedules contain trend information to help the reader understand how the Authority's financial performance and well-being have changed over time.

Debt Capacity

These schedules present information to help the reader assess the affordability of the Authority's current level of outstanding debt.

Economic and Demographic Information

These schedules offer economic and demographic indicators to help the reader understand the environment within which the Authority's financial activities take place.

Operating Information

These schedules contain service and infrastructure data to help the reader understand how the information in the Authority's financial report relates to the activities performed by the Authority.

TABLE 1

General Governmental Revenues by Source

Fiscal Year	Operating Assessments ¹	Debt Service Assessments	Other Revenues	Non-Operating Revenue	Total Revenues
2015/16	8,702,151	10,560,476	108,915	176,276	19,547,818
2016/17	9,667,165	10,857,086	307,089	328,130	21,159,470
2017/18	9,901,333	8,966,976	157,546	635,825	19,661,680
2018/19	9,997,429	9,286,980	158,036	1,281,897	20,724,342
2019/20	9,544,645	9,224,616	99,030	1,141,562	20,009,853
2020/21	10,891,111	8,908,132	231,193	278,253	20,308,689
2021/22	11,009,867	9,022,269	173,012	206,054	20,411,203
2022/23	11,984,799	-	95,659	1,175,177	13,255,634
2023/24	13,128,442	-	42,335	2,692,347	15,863,124
2024/25	14,828,636	-	102,995	2,779,978	17,711,610

Source: Central Coast Water Authority

¹ Operating Assessments exclude year-end credits for unexpended operating reimbursements.

Total Revenue Comparison

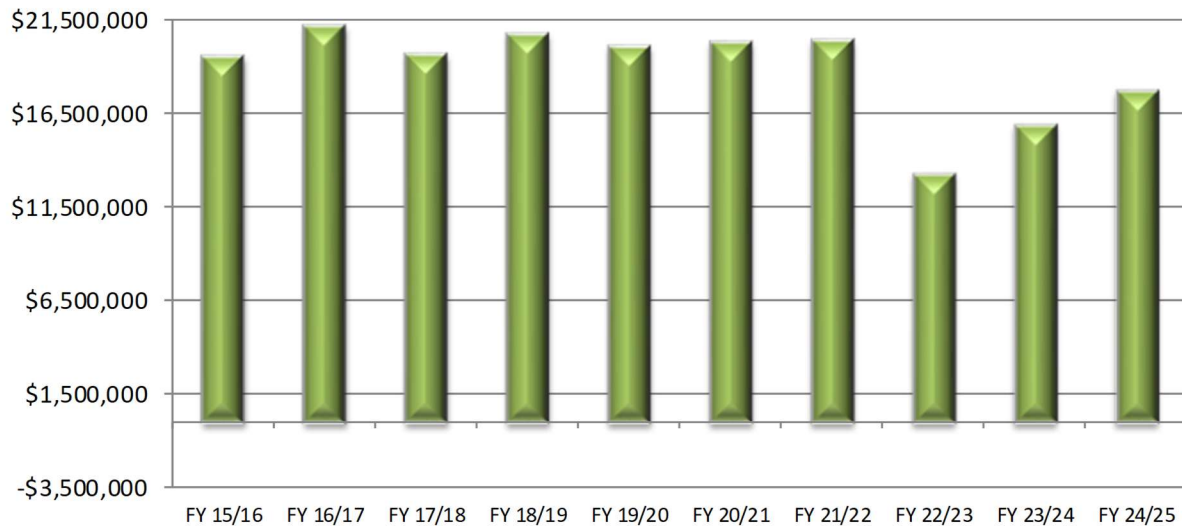


TABLE 2

General Governmental Expenses by Function

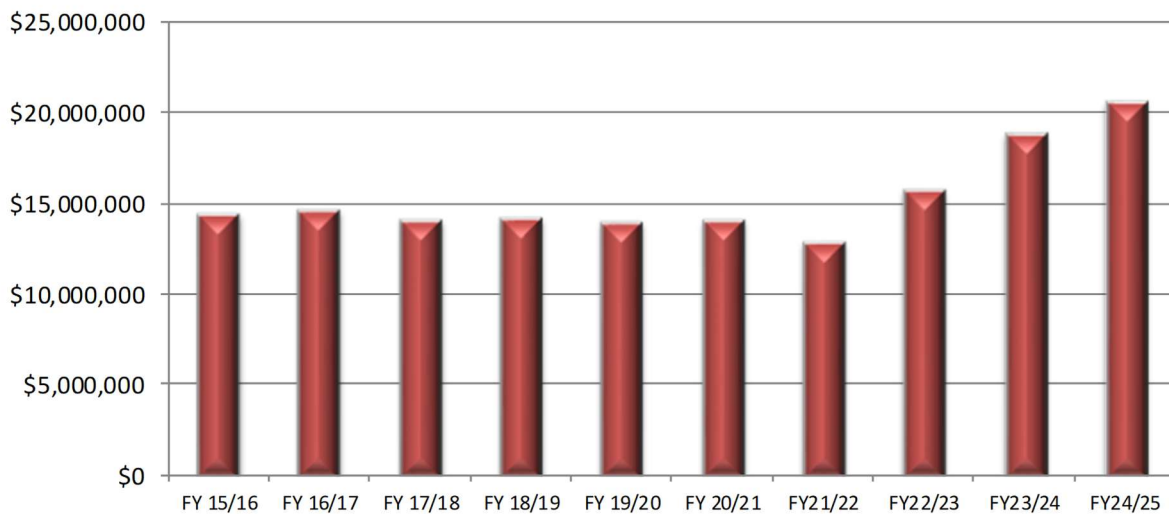
Fiscal Year	Operating Expenses ¹	Capital Improvements ²	Interest Expense	Interest paid to Participants ¹	Total Expenses
2015/16	\$ 10,633,214	\$ 629,440	\$ 2,994,662	\$ 176,276	\$ 14,433,592
2016/17	11,205,868	254,360	2,869,594	301,630	14,631,452
2017/18	10,591,135	811,276	1,978,000	635,927	14,016,338
2018/19	10,443,568	992,965	1,552,500	1,168,698	14,157,731
2019/20	10,654,396	1,072,316	1,100,000	1,141,562	13,968,274
2020/21	12,065,351	1,153,116	624,938	278,253	14,121,658
2021/22	11,796,786	706,125	126,186	206,054	12,835,151
2022/23	13,074,062	1,472,257	-	1,124,756	15,671,075
2023/24	15,392,558	750,974	-	2,683,807	18,827,339
2024/25	16,201,111	1,604,378	-	2,761,488	20,566,976

Source: Central Coast Water Authority

¹ Operating Expenses include year-end credits for unexpended operating reimbursements, and interest credits paid to project participants are shown on a separate line.

² Capital Improvements are excluded from Statement of Revenues and Expenses but included here as they are a pass through expense.

Total Expenditures Comparison



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TABLE 3

Change in Net Position and Net Position Components
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2020
Net position, at beginning of year	\$ 39,694,735	\$ 45,427,613	\$ 51,605,680	\$ 57,977,737	\$ 65,537,313
Operating revenues	19,334,566	20,825,040	19,025,855	19,442,445	18,868,291
Operating Expenses					
Operating expenses	7,592,444	9,448,706	8,858,438	8,234,624	8,647,847
Depreciation and amortization	2,710,417	1,027,928	1,061,706	1,299,198	1,659,217
Unexpended operating reimbursements	330,353	729,234	670,991	909,746	347,332
Total operating expenses	10,633,214	11,205,868	10,591,135	10,443,568	10,654,396
Operating Income	8,701,352	9,619,172	8,434,720	8,998,877	8,213,895
Non-operating revenues					
Interest income and miscellaneous	213,252	334,430	635,825	1,281,897	1,141,562
Non-Operating Expenses					
Interest expense	2,994,662	2,869,594	1,978,000	1,552,500	1,100,000
Bond issuance expenses	-	576,155	-	-	-
Interest income to project participants	176,276	301,630	635,927	1,168,698	1,141,562
Other expenses	10,788	28,156	84,561	-	-
Total non-operating expenses	3,181,726	3,775,535	2,698,488	2,721,198	2,241,562
Increase in Net Position	5,732,878	6,178,067	6,372,057	7,559,576	7,113,895
Refund of capital contributions	-	-	-	-	-
Restatement of net position	-	-	-	-	-
Net position, at end of year	45,427,613	51,605,680	57,977,737	65,537,313	72,651,208
Net investment in capital assets	44,108,951	55,164,579	60,312,509	66,554,791	73,172,291
Restricted - capital projects	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted - debt service	11,513,337	9,978,731	10,411,593	10,418,498	10,423,636
Unrestricted	(10,194,675)	(13,537,630)	(12,746,365)	(11,435,976)	(10,944,719)
Total Net Position	\$ 45,427,613	\$ 51,605,680	\$ 57,977,737	\$ 65,537,313	\$ 72,651,208

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TABLE 3 (continued)

Change in Net Position and Net Position Components Last Ten Fiscal Years

	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2025
Net position, at beginning of year	\$ 72,651,208	\$ 79,914,457	\$ 88,196,584	\$ 87,253,400	\$ 85,033,143
Operating revenues	20,030,436	20,205,148	12,080,458	13,170,777	14,931,632
Operating Expenses					
Operating expenses	8,818,108	8,627,273	10,637,893	11,034,921	11,717,056
Depreciation and amortization	2,123,816	2,451,231	2,496,375	2,654,911	2,678,122
Unexpended operating reimbursements	1,123,428	718,282	(60,206)	1,702,726	1,805,932
Total operating expenses	12,065,352	11,796,786	13,074,062	15,392,558	16,201,111
Operating Income	7,965,084	8,408,362	(993,604)	(2,221,781)	(1,269,479)
Non-operating revenues					
Interest income and miscellaneous	278,253	206,054	1,175,177	2,692,347	2,779,978
Non-Operating Expenses					
Interest expense	624,938	126,186	-	-	-
Bond issuance expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Interest income to project participants	278,253	206,054	1,124,756	2,683,807	2,761,488
Other expenses	76,899	49	-	7,016	335,725
Total non-operating expenses	980,090	332,290	1,124,756	2,690,823	3,097,213
Increase in Net Position	7,263,249	8,282,127	(943,183)	(2,220,257)	(1,586,714)
Refund of capital contributions	-	-	-	-	-
Restatement of net position	-	-	-	-	-
Net position, at end of year	79,914,457	88,196,584	87,253,401	85,033,143	83,446,429
Net investment in capital assets	80,060,233	88,327,445	87,298,062	85,272,616	83,537,548
Restricted - capital projects	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted - debt service	10,378,495	-	-	-	-
Unrestricted	(10,524,271)	(130,861)	(44,662)	(239,473)	(91,119)
Total Net Position	\$ 79,914,457	\$ 88,196,584	\$ 87,253,400	\$ 85,033,143	\$ 83,446,429

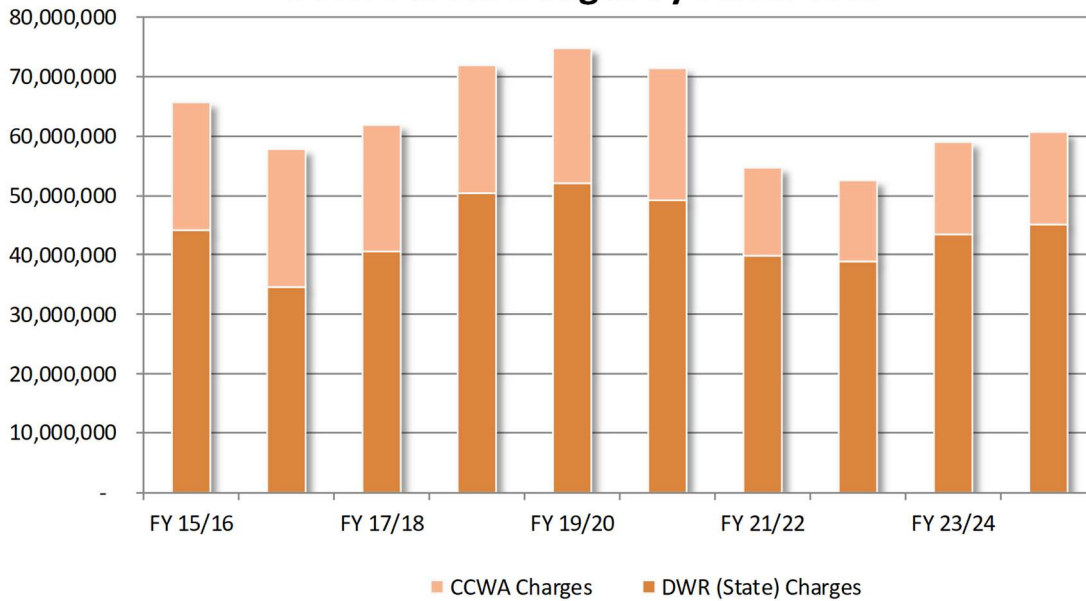
TABLE 4

Fiscal Year Gross Budget History (Excludes Credits)

Fiscal Year	CCWA Charges	DWR (State) Charges	Total	Increase (Decrease)	Percentage Change
FY 15/16	21,408,675	44,258,987	65,667,662	6,833,626	10%
FY 16/17	22,991,413	34,730,498	57,721,911	(7,945,751)	-14%
FY 17/18	21,280,493	40,494,796	61,775,289	4,053,378	7%
FY 18/19	21,485,218	50,494,069	71,979,287	10,203,998	14%
FY 19/20	22,618,490	52,066,151	74,684,641	2,705,355	4%
FY 20/21	22,317,186	49,225,756	71,542,942	(3,141,699)	-4%
FY 21/22	14,907,029	39,767,071	54,674,100	(16,868,842)	-24%
FY 22/23	13,609,630	39,002,187	52,611,817	(2,062,283)	-4%
FY 23/24	15,468,746	43,525,001	58,993,747	6,381,930	12%
FY 24/25	15,674,967	45,071,529	60,746,497	1,752,750	3%

Note: Excludes CCWA credits.

CCWA Gross Budget by Fiscal Year



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TABLE 5

FY 2024/25 Total Payments by Project Participant

Project Participant	FY 2024/25 Operating Expenses ⁽¹⁾	FY 2024/25 DWR Costs	FY 2024/25 Warren Act Charges ⁽²⁾	FY 2024/25 CCWA Credits	FY 2024/25 Total Payments
Guadalupe	\$ 164,058	580,107	\$ -	\$ (826)	\$ 743,340
Santa Maria	4,941,995	18,019,509	-	(194,091)	22,767,413
Golden State Water Co.	168,491	587,204	-	-	755,695
Vandenberg SFB	1,957,201	6,660,078	-	(40,686)	8,576,593
Buellton	233,704	659,068	-	-	892,772
Santa Ynez (Solvang)	621,507	1,721,855	-	-	2,343,362
Santa Ynez	829,762	579,619	-	(158,533)	1,250,848
Goleta	1,734,748	5,678,113	66,718	(18,382)	7,461,197
Morehart Land	96,216	232,084	10,149	(11,335)	327,113
La Cumbre	534,382	1,194,487	72,375	-	1,801,246
Raytheon	20,671	48,802	1,165	(2,750)	67,888
Santa Barbara	1,169,893	3,459,573	49,914	-	4,679,380
Montecito	1,046,885	3,373,423	-	(64,842)	4,355,465
Carpinteria	738,926	2,277,608	16,638	(39,556)	2,993,616
Shandon	17,789	N/A	-	(1,659)	16,130
Chorro Valley	614,136	N/A	-	(4,231)	609,905
Lopez	567,644	N/A	-	(9,195)	558,449
TOTAL:	\$ 15,458,008	\$ 45,071,529	\$ 216,960	\$ (546,086)	\$ 60,200,410

(1) Adjusted for Santa Ynez Exchange Agreement Modifications and Regional WTP Treatment Allocation.

(2) Adjusted for Santa Ynez Exchange Agreement Modifications.

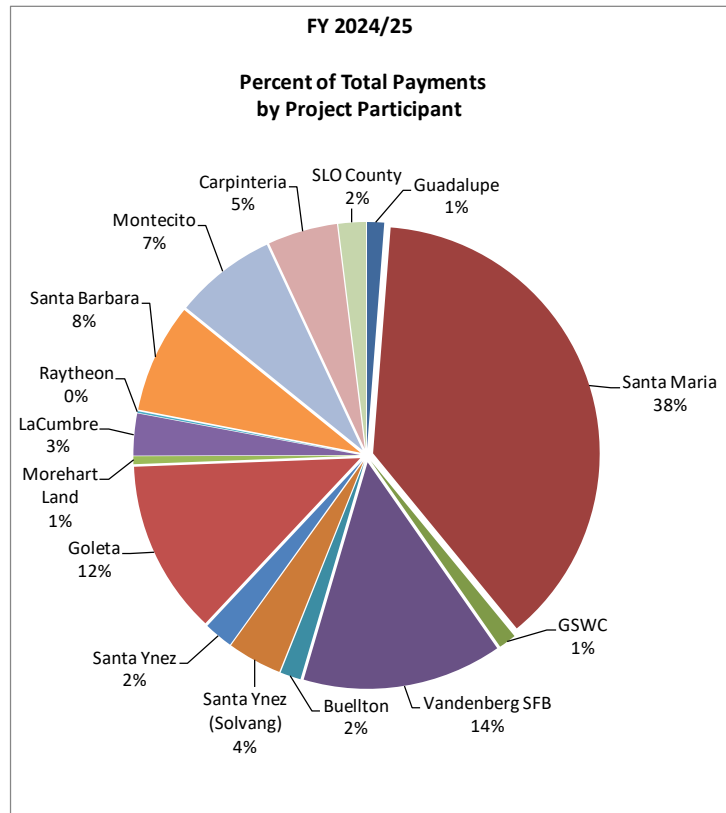


TABLE 6

Ratio of Outstanding Debt by Type For Total Bonded Debt to Total Expenses

Fiscal Year ⁽²⁾	Bond Issue	Principal	Interest ⁽¹⁾	Total Debt Service	Total Expenses	Ratio of Debt Service to Total Expenses
2012/13	2006 Bonds	7,335,000	4,247,463	11,582,463	14,677,356	78.91%
2013/14	2006 Bonds	7,625,000	3,900,975	11,525,975	15,613,226	73.82%
2014/15	2006 Bonds	8,010,000	3,510,100	11,520,100	15,514,462	74.25%
2015/16	2006 Bonds	8,405,000	3,099,725	11,504,725	14,433,592	79.71%
2016/17	06 & 16 Bonds	8,825,000	3,023,619	11,848,619	13,963,559	84.85%
2017/18	2016 Bonds	7,880,000	2,076,500	9,956,500	14,016,338	71.03%
2018/19	2016 Bonds	8,720,000	1,661,500	10,381,500	14,157,731	73.33%
2019/20	2016 Bonds	9,160,000	1,214,500	10,374,500	13,968,274	74.27%
2020/21	2016 Bonds	9,615,000	745,125	10,360,125	14,121,658	73.36%
2021/22	2016 Bonds	10,095,000	252,375	10,347,375	12,835,151	80.62%

(1) Represents actual cash payment without regard to payments from the capitalized interest fund.

(2) No outstanding debt after FY 2021/22

Source: Central Coast Water Authority

Ratio of Debt Service to Total Expenses

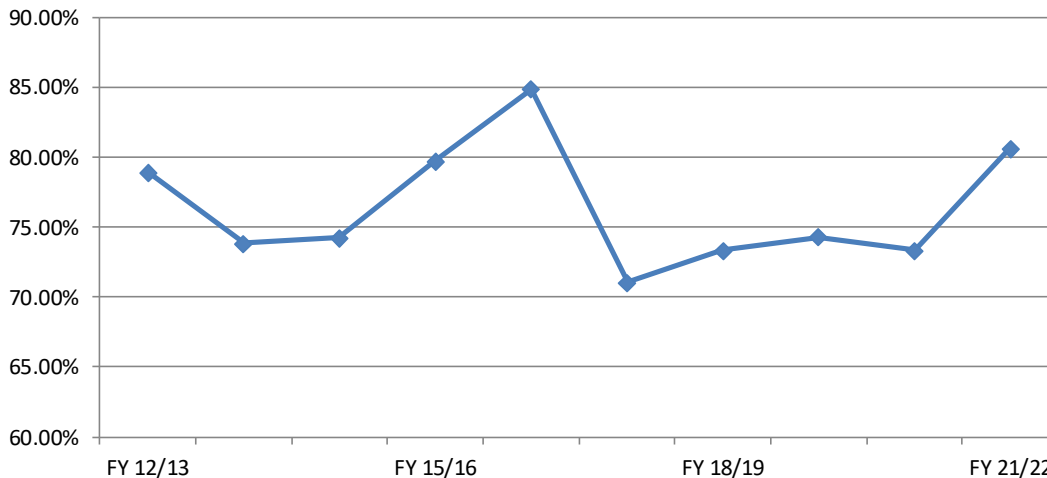


TABLE 7
Selected Demographic Information
Santa Barbara County

Santa Barbara County is located on the Pacific coast of the southern portion of the U.S. state of California, just west of Ventura County. The estimated total population of the County as of August 2020 was 451,840 according to the Santa Barbara County 2019/20 ACFR. The county seat is Santa Barbara and the largest city is Santa Maria.

For thousands of years, the area was home to the Chumash tribe of Native Americans, complex hunter-gathers who lived along the coast and in interior valleys leaving rock art in many locations including Painted Cave. European contact had devastating effects on the Chumash Indians, including a series of disease epidemics that drastically reduced Chumash population. The Chumash survived, however, and thousands of Chumash descendants still live in the Santa Barbara area or surrounding counties.

The County has a total area of 2,737 square miles and four of the Channel Islands – San Miguel Island, Anacapa Island, Santa Cruz Island and Santa Rosa Island – are in Santa Barbara County. They form the largest part of the Channel Islands National Park.

Santa Barbara County has a mountainous interior abutting a coastal plains area. The largest concentration of people is on this coastal plain, referred to as the south coast – the part of the county south of the Santa Ynez Mountains – which includes the cities of Santa Barbara, Goleta and Carpinteria, as well as the unincorporated areas of Hope Ranch, Mission Canyon, Montecito and Isla Vista. North of the mountains are the towns of Santa Ynez, Solvang, Buellton, Lompoc; the unincorporated towns of Los Olivos and Ballard; the unincorporated areas of Mission Hills and Vandenberg Village; and Vandenberg Space Force Base, where the Santa Ynez River flows out to the sea. North of the Santa Ynez Valley are the cities of Santa Maria and Guadalupe.

Santa Barbara County is home to a beautiful landscape and great climate for living, playing and working. The County is well known for its strong sense of community, prime agricultural land, award winning wineries, and attractive cultural and tourism opportunities. However, Santa Barbara County also touts its talented and highly skilled workforce and business sectors, from high tech to health care to design. Quality institutions like UC Santa Barbara and Vandenberg Airforce Base continue to attract high quality individuals to the County. It is these attributes that attract and retain businesses in the area.

TABLE 8
Miscellaneous Statistical Information

Form of government	Joint Powers Authority
Date of organization	August 1, 1991
Number of full-time equivalent positions	30.25
Polonio Pass Water Treatment Plant design capacity	43 million gallons per day
Authority pipeline (in miles)	42.5
Coastal Branch pipeline (in miles)	100.6
Number of water storage tanks	7
Number of turnouts	10

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Table A Amount (AFY)</u>
City of Buellton	578
Carpinteria Valley Water District	2,000
Goleta Water District	4,500
City of Guadalupe	550
La Cumbre Mutual Water Co.	1,000
Montecito Water District	3,000
Morehart Land Co.	200
City of Santa Barbara	3,000
Raytheon Systems Company	50
City of Santa Maria	16,200
Santa Ynez River W.C.D. #1	2,000
Southern California Water Co.	500
Vandenberg Space Force Base	5,500
Total Santa Barbara County *	<u>39,078</u>
Avila Beach C.S.D	100
Avila Valley Mutual Water Co., Inc.	20
California Mens Colony (State)	400
County of SLO C.S.A. No. 16 I.D. #1	100
County of SLO (Op. Center & Reg. Park)	425
City of Morro Bay	1,313
Oceano CSD	750
City of Pismo Beach	1,240
San Luis Coastal Unified School District	7
San Miguelito Mutual Water Co.	275
SLO Co. Comm. Coll. District (Cuesta College)	200
Total San Luis Obispo County	<u>4,830</u>
TOTAL TABLE A AMOUNT	<u>43,908</u>

Note: * Excludes CCWA drought buffer of Table A amount of 3,908 AFY and Goleta Water District additional Table A amount of 2,500 AFY.

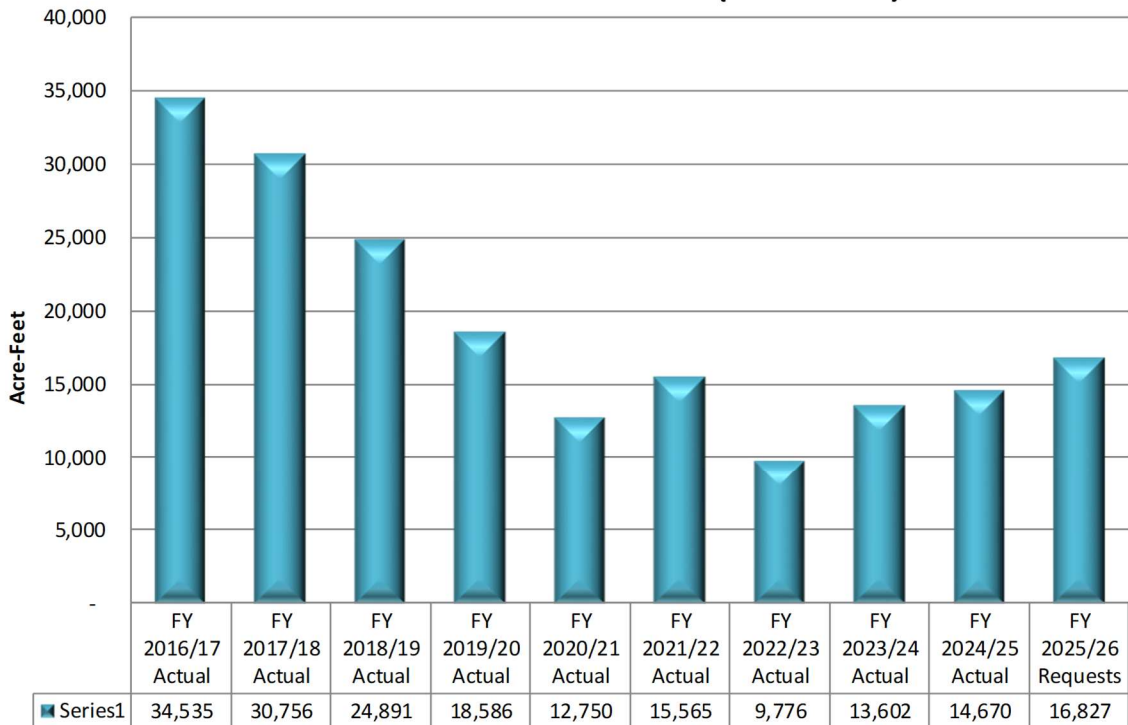
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TABLE 9

FY 2024/25 Actual State Water Deliveries (acre feet)

Project Participant	Total Deliveries	Exchange Agreement Deliveries	Table A Deliveries
Shandon Turnout (SLO County)	-	N/A	-
Lopez Turnout (SLO County)	834	N/A	834
Chorro Valley Turnout (SLO County)	1,637	N/A	1,637
City of Guadalupe	373	N/A	373
City of Santa Maria	5,142	N/A	5,142
Golden State Water Company	289	N/A	289
Vandenberg Space Force Base	2,912	N/A	2,912
City of Buellton	230	N/A	230
Santa Ynez ID #1 (City of Solvang)	563	N/A	563
Santa Ynez ID #1	1,355	(1,907)	207
Goleta Water District	-	686	686
Morehart Land Company	40	N/A	40
La Cumbre Mutual Water Company	536	N/A	536
Raytheon Systems Company	-	N/A	-
City of Santa Barbara	-	458	458
Montecito Water District	-	458	458
Carpinteria Valley Water District	-	305	305
TOTAL:	13,911	-	14,670

Historical Water Deliveries (Acre-Feet)



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TABLE 10
Historical Water Availability Compared to Actual Deliveries & Costs
Santa Barbara County Project Participants Only

Calendar Year	(Acre-Feet)		Total CCWA Actual Costs
	Available Water	Actual Deliveries	
1998	38,986	18,618	\$ 36,225,479
1999	45,486	20,137	24,898,645
2000	40,937	22,741	50,707,485
2001	23,734	18,945	39,445,139
2002	34,715	27,600	37,237,621
2003	41,476	26,970	43,929,781
2004	30,793	29,705	44,152,940
2005	41,092	23,343	43,750,040
2006	49,506	23,275	47,067,848
2007	31,516	27,740	45,660,843
2008	22,036	18,391	46,236,486
2009	24,162	15,452	48,521,830
2010	24,033	17,775	50,707,485
2011	38,389	21,050	51,876,819
2012	29,566	19,474	45,904,819
2013	22,430	18,018	54,450,977
2014 ⁽¹⁾	9,955	15,942	59,621,280
2015 ⁽²⁾	14,691	11,673	67,372,895
2016 ⁽³⁾	45,774	28,807	53,704,188
2017 ⁽⁴⁾	51,622	29,696	61,352,586
2018 ⁽⁵⁾	34,883	28,165	76,476,705
2019 ⁽⁶⁾	39,195	22,959	74,197,973
2020 ⁽⁷⁾	25,470	18,586	72,644,178
2021 ⁽⁸⁾	17,961	14,495	70,344,668
2022 ⁽⁹⁾	12,444	7,548	60,364,986
2023 ⁽¹⁰⁾	50,570	9,311	53,770,882
2024	43,261	11,247	59,099,238
2025 ⁽¹¹⁾	49,788	13,125	59,327,970
Total:	934,471	560,788	\$ 1,479,051,786
Avg. Cost per Acre-foot:	\$ 1,583	\$ 2,637	
Percent of Table A:	93.38%	56.04%	

- (1) 2014 amounts include CCWA Supplemental Water Purchase Program costs of \$4.2 million for 5,909 AF.
- (2) 2015 amounts include CCWA Supplemental Water Purchase Program costs of \$4.8 million for 9,600 AF.
- (3) 2016 amounts include CCWA Supplemental Water Purchase Program costs of \$2.9 million for 11,500 AF.
- (4) No requests were made for CCWA Supplemental Water Purchase Program (SWPP) in 2017.
- (5) 2018 amounts include CCWA Supplemental Water Purchase Program costs of \$1.8 million for 5,633 AF.
- (6) No requests were made for CCWA Supplemental Water Purchase Program (SWPP) in 2019.
- (7) No requests were made for CCWA Supplemental Water Purchase Program (SWPP) in 2020.
- (8) 2021 amounts include CCWA Supplemental Water Purchase Program costs of \$1.9 million for 2,258 AF.
- (9) 2022 amounts include CCWA Supplemental Water Purchase Program costs of \$4.3 million for 2,656 AF.
- (10) Water deliveries include CCWA Supplemental Water Purchase Program (SWPP) in 2023.
- (11) Water deliveries are estimated for the fourth quarter of 2025

TABLE 11

*Schedule of Insurance
Valued June 30, 2025*

<u>Company</u>	<u>Policy Period</u>	<u>Insurance Type</u>	<u>Limits</u>	<u>Coverages</u>
Fidelity & Deposit Company of Maryland through Aon Risk Insurance Services	7-1-24 to 7-1-25	Excess Crime Coverage	\$ 7,000,000	Dishonesty, faithful performance, forgery, computer fraud, pension plans including ERISA
Coalition Inc	7-1-24 to 7-1-25	Cyber Liability	\$ 3,000,000 \$ 5,000,000	max per member Financial losses resulting from data breaches and other cyber liabilities
ACWA Joint Powers Insurance Authority	7-1-24 to 7-1-25	Crime Coverage	\$ 100,000	Public employee theft, depositors forgery or alterations, computer and funds transfer fraud
ACWA Joint Powers Insurance Authority	7-1-24 to 7-1-25	Property Insurance	\$150,000,000	TIV: \$108,699,724 Buildings (\$41,759,373); Personal property (\$1,941,731); Fixed Equipment (\$56,452,337); Business Interruption (\$8,434,720)
ACWA Joint Powers Insurance Authority	10-1-24 to 10-1-25	General and Auto Liability	\$ 5,000,000	Liability JPIA pooled layer
Safety National Casualty Corporation	10-1-24 to 10-1-25	General and Auto Liability	\$ 5,000,000	Liability reinsurance policy
California Water Insurance Fund	10-1-24 to 10-1-25	General and Auto Liability	\$ 10,000,000	Liability reinsurance policy
Everest Reinsurance Company/ Continental Indemnity Company/ Upland Specialty Insurance Company (quota share)	10-1-24 to 10-1-25	General and Auto Liability	\$ 10,000,000	Liability reinsurance policy
Midvale Indemnity Insurance Company	10-1-24 to 10-1-25	General and Auto Liability	\$ 5,000,000	Liability reinsurance policy
Allied World National Assurance Co	10-1-24 to 10-1-25	General and Auto Liability	\$ 10,000,000	Liability excess policy
Starstone Specialty Insurance Company	10-1-24 to 10-1-25	General and Auto Liability	\$ 5,000,000	Liability excess policy
SCOR	10-1-24 to 10-1-25	General and Auto Liability	\$ 5,000,000	Liability excess policy

TABLE 12

Full-time Equivalent Employees by Position

Position Title	Number Authorized FY 2022/23	Number Authorized FY 2023/24	Number Authorized FY 2024/25	Change Over FY 2022/23	Change Over FY 2023/24
Executive Director	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-
Deputy Director of Operations	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-
Operations Manager	-	1.00	1.00	1.00	-
Safety & Environmental Specialist	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-
Controller	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-
Senior Accountant	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-
Office Manager	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-
Accounting Technician	0.75	0.75	0.75	-	-
Administrative Assistant	1.50	1.50	1.50	-	-
WTP Supervisor	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-
Distribution Supervisor	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-
Maintenance Superintendent	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-
Maintenance Foreman	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-
Senior Chemist	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-
Laboratory Analyst	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-
IT/Instrumentation & Control Specialist	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-
Engineering Technician	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-
Maintenance Technician	2.00	2.00	2.00	-	-
Maintenance/IC&R Technician	2.00	2.00	2.00	-	-
WTP Operator	5.00	5.00	5.00	-	-
Distribution Technician	5.00	5.00	5.00	-	-
WTP Operator trainee	-	1.00	1.00	1.00	-
TOTAL:	30.25	32.25	32.25	2.00	-

TABLE 13
Santa Barbara County Largest Employers ⁽²⁾

Industry	June 30, 2024			June 30, 2015		
	Jobs (1)	Rank	Percent of Total County Employment	Jobs (1)	Rank	Percent of Total County Employment
Government	37,200	1	16.14%	39,800	1	19.49%
Farming	37,000	2	16.05%	23,600	5	11.56%
Private Education and Health Services	32,000	3	13.88%	25,700	4	12.59%
Leisure and Hospitality	29,000	4	12.58%	26,900	3	13.17%
Professional and Business Services	27,800	5	12.06%	22,600	6	11.07%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	26,500	6	11.50%	27,200	2	13.32%
Manufacturing	12,200	7	5.29%	13,000	7	6.37%
Mining, Logging and Construction	10,600	8	4.60%	8,900	8	4.36%
Financial Activities	7,000	9	3.04%	6,400	9	3.13%
Information	4,300	10	1.87%	4,200	10	2.06%
Top ten industries	223,600		97.01%	198,300		97.11%
Total all other industries	6,900		2.99%	5,900		2.89%
Total all industries	230,500		100.00%	204,200		100.00%

Sources:

(1) Employment Development Department, State of California

Notes:

Employment data is presented by industry rather than by individual employers, as we were unable to obtain employer-specific figures.

⁽²⁾ Source: Santa Barbara County ACFR FY 2023/24

TABLE 14

State Water Payment Coverage Calculations

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024	Total Revenues	Operating Expenses	Rate Coverage Fund Deposit	Adjusted Net Revenues	State Water Payments	Parity Debt Service	Coverage Ratio
City of Guadalupe	\$ 2,698,422	\$ 1,355,500	\$ 191,013	\$ 1,533,935	\$ 856,051	-	1.79
City of Santa Maria	64,199,997	18,039,539	5,166,640	51,327,098	22,304,296	-	2.30
City of Buellton	2,799,945	919,100	274,861	2,155,706	921,080	-	2.34
Santa Ynez ID #1, City of Solvang	5,644,496	2,787,770	632,101	3,488,827	2,403,258	-	1.45
Santa Ynez Water Conservation District, ID #1	13,181,561	4,605,622	1,093,044	9,668,983	3,612,145	-	2.68
Goleta Water District	50,190,976	26,031,862	-	24,159,114	6,719,684	-	3.60
La Cumbre Mutual Water Company ⁽¹⁾	7,073,826	3,821,075	400,354	3,653,105	1,712,118	-	2.13
City of Santa Barbara	74,197,081	44,305,925	-	29,891,156	4,342,046	\$ 12,288,121	1.80
Montecito Water District	22,104,873	16,806,273	1,493,966	6,792,566	4,042,446	-	1.68
Carpinteria Valley Water District	16,033,894	8,026,407	859,791	8,867,278	2,791,405	-	3.18

⁽¹⁾ La Cumbre Mutual Company uses a Calendar year for reporting purposes.