



AGENDA
Regular Meeting
Board of Directors
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

Monday, July 20, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. [PST]

Meeting Location: MPWMD – Main Conference Room
5 Harris Court, Building G, Monterey, CA 93940

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<u>Board of Directors</u> Ian Oglesby, Chair – Mayoral Representative Rebecca Lindor, Vice-Chair – Division 3 Alvin Edwards – Division 1 George Riley – Division 2 Karen Paull – Division 4 Marianne Gawain – Division 5 Kate Daniels – Monterey County Board of Supervisors Representative <u>General Manager</u> David J. Stoldt <u>Assistant General Manager</u> Mike McCullough	<u>Mission Statement</u> Sustainably manage and augment the water resources of the Monterey Peninsula to meet the needs of its residents and businesses while protecting, restoring, and enhancing its natural and human environments. <u>Vision Statement</u> Model ethical, responsible, and responsive governance in pursuit of our mission. <u>Board's Goals and Objectives</u> Are available online at: https://www.mpwmd.net/who-we-are/mission-vision-goals/
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CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA – *The General Manager will announce agenda corrections and proposed additions, which may be acted on by the Board as provided in Sections 54954.2 of the California Government Code.*

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – *Anyone wishing to address the Board on Consent Calendar, Information Items, Closed Session items, or matters not listed on the agenda may do so only during Oral Communications. Please limit your comment to three (3) minutes. The public may comment on all other items at the time they are presented to the Board.*

CONSENT CALENDAR - *The Consent Calendar consists of routine items for which staff has prepared a recommendation. Approval of the Consent Calendar ratifies the staff recommendation. Consent Calendar items may be pulled for separate consideration at the request of a member of the public, or a member of the Board. Following adoption of the remaining Consent Calendar items, staff will give a brief presentation on the pulled item. Members of the public are requested to limit individual comment on pulled Consent Items to three (3) minutes. Unless noted with double asterisks "***", Consent Calendar items do not constitute a project as defined by CEQA Guidelines section 15378.*

1. Consider Adoption of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on June 15, 2026
2. Consider Adoption of Treasurer's Report for May 2026
3. Consider Approval of the 2026 Annual Memorandum of Agreement for Releases from Los Padres Reservoir Among California American Water, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

4. General Manager's Report (*Verbal Report*)

REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNSEL

5. Report on Action Taken During the Special Closed Session Meeting on July 14, 2026; and General Report on Pending Litigation

DIRECTORS' REPORTS (INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS ON TRIPS, CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE AND MEETINGS)

6. Oral Reports on Activities of County, Cities, Other Agencies/Committees/Associations

ACTION ITEMS – *Public Comment will be received. Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes per item.*

7. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 2026-08 – Calling an Election for Directors in Voter Divisions 1 and 2 on November 3, 2026 and Approve Services Agreement with the County of Monterey Elections Department

Recommended Action: *The Board will consider adopting Resolution No. 2026-08 – Calling for an election in voter Divisions 1 and 2 on November 3, 2026; and authorize the General Manager to enter into a service agreement with Monterey County Elections to conduct the election.*

8. Consider Approval of a Scope of Work with Denise Duffy & Associates for Coastal Monitoring Well CEQA Services

Recommended Action: *Authorize the General Manager to execute a professional services agreement with*

Denise Duffy & Associates for Coastal Monitoring Well CEQA and permitting services in an amount not to exceed \$121,000.

DISCUSSION ITEM – Public Comment will be received. Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes per item.

9. Update on the Cease and Desist Order

Recommended Action: *The Board will receive an update on the status of the Cease and Desist Order.*

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/STAFF REPORTS - *The public may address the Board on Informational Items and Staff Reports during the Oral Communications portion of the meeting. Please limit your comments to three minutes.*

10. Report on Activity/Progress on Contracts Over \$25,000

11. Status Report on Expenditures – Public’s Ownership of Monterey Water System

12. Letters Received and Sent Supplemental Letter Packet

13. Committee Reports

14. Monthly Allocation Report

15. Water Efficiency Program Report for June 2026

16. Carmel River Fishery Report for June 2026

17. Quarterly Carmel River Riparian Corridor Management Program Report

18. Monthly Water Supply and California American Water Production Report

[Exempt from environmental review per SWRCB Order Nos. 95-10 and 2016-0016, and the Seaside Basin Groundwater Basin adjudication decision, as amended and Section 15268 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, as a ministerial project; Exempt from Section 15307, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Natural Resources]

ADJOURNMENT

Board Meeting Schedule		
Monday, August 17, 2026	<i>Regular</i>	6:00 p.m.
Monday, September 28, 2026	<i>Regular</i>	6:00 p.m.

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Attend In-Person

The Board meeting will be held in the Main Conference Room at **5 Harris Court, Building G, Monterey, CA 93942** and has limited seating capacity.

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ITEM: CONSENT CALENDAR

1. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING ON JUNE 15, 2026

Meeting Date: July 20, 2026 **Budgeted:** N/A

From:	David J. Stoldt,	Program/	N/A
	General Manager	Line Item No.:	

Prepared By: Sara Reyes **Cost Estimate:** N/A

General Counsel Review: N/A

Committee Recommendation: N/A

CEQA Compliance: This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15378.

SUMMARY: Attached for Board consideration are the draft minutes of the MPWMD Board of Directors' Regular Meeting held on June 15, 2026 (**Exhibit 1-A**).

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the draft minutes of the June 15, 2026 Regular Board Meeting.

EXHIBIT

1-A Draft Minutes – MPWMD Board of Directors’ June 15, 2026 Regular Board Meeting



EXHIBIT 1-A

**Draft Minutes
Regular Meeting
Board of Directors
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
June 15, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.**

Meeting Location: District Office, Main Conference Room
5 Harris Court, Building G, Monterey, CA 93940 AND
By Teleconferencing Means - Zoom

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Oglesby called the regular session to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:

Ian Oglesby, Chair
Rebecca Lindor, Vice-Chair
Alvin Edwards
George Riley
Karen Paull
Marianne Gawain
Kate Daniels

Board Members Absent:

None

District Staff Members Present:

David Stoldt, General Manager
Mike McCullough, Assistant General Manager
Nishil Bali, Chief Financial Officer/Administrative
Services Manager
Sara Reyes, Clerk of the Board / Executive Assistant

Jonathan Lear, Water Resources Manager
Mollie Wooden, Water Demand Manager
Kyle Smith, Water Demand Analyst
Thomas Christensen, Environmental Resources
Manager

District Counsel Present:

Michael Laredo, De Lay & Laredo

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Chair Oglesby opened the Oral Communications period, and the following comments were received:

- 1) Tom Rowley, representing the Monterey Peninsula Taxpayers Association, thanked Mollie Wooden for stepping in as replacement for Stephanie Locke. Mr. Rowley expressed ongoing concern about how public funds are spent and urged greater fiscal responsibility. He voiced dissatisfaction with the Board for adopting last month's water study without incorporating suggested changes from Josh Stratton, particularly regarding water shortage planning.

- 2) Marlana Brown, Community Planning Liaison Officer, Naval Support Activity Monterey, read a letter of appreciation from Captain R.T. Easterday, U.S. Navy Commanding Officer, addressed to Stephanie Locke. The letter expressed gratitude and appreciation for her service and contributions to the community.
- 3) Susan Schiavone, praised District staff for the Urban Water Management Plan and effective response to Cal-Am concerns. She highlighted the District's investment in ASR, and commended outreach efforts. Ms. Schiavone also asked for an update on Cal-Am's replacement injection well for ASR ahead of anticipated rainfall.
- 4) Melodie Chrislock, informed the Board and public that the State Lands Commission will consider Cal-Am's desalination project slant well application at an upcoming meeting, and encouraged public participation. She expressed opposition to the project. Ms. Chrislock praised the District's radio outreach and thanked staff, including Stephanie Locke, for their service.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Chair Oglesby introduced the item.

Chair Oglesby opened Public Comment; however, no comments were received.

Director Paull made a motion, seconded by Director Riley, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion passed by voice vote, 7 Ayes (Edwards, Daniels, Lindor, Paull, Oglesby, Gawain, and Riley) and 0 Noes.

The following agenda items were accepted as part of the Consent Calendar:

1. **Consider Adoption of Minutes of the May 18, 2026 Special and Regular Board Meeting and the May 28, 2026 Special Board Meeting-Budget Workshop**
2. **Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 2026-06 - Amending Fees and Charges Table – Rule 60**
3. **Consider Recommendation to Authorize a Contract with Truepoint Solutions for Maintenance of and Improvements to the Accela Database**
4. **Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 2026-07 – Annual Update to Rule 24, Table 3, Capacity Fee History**
5. **Authorize Funds to Contract for Limited-Term Field Positions During FY 2026-2027**
6. **Consider Authorization of Funds to Hire Well Contractor to Support Repairs on ASR on an As-Needed Basis**
7. **Consider Recommendation to Authorize the General Manager to Enter into a Contract with Isaacson Painting to Provide Painting Services at ASR**
8. **Consider Authorizing Monterey Bay Analytical Services to Provide Laboratory Support for Aquifer Storage and Recovery, Watermaster Monitoring and Maintenance Plan, and Carmel Valley Alluvial Aquifer Water Quality Monitoring**
9. **Consider Authorization to Enter into a Contract Amendment with Montgomery and Associates to Provide Groundwater Modeling Support to the District**
10. **Consider Extension of Cooperative Agreement with the United States Geological Survey for Streamflow Gaging in Water Year 2027**
11. **Consider Adoption of Treasurer's Report for April 2026**

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Chair Oglesby introduced the item.

12. General Manager's Report

General Manager Dave Stoldt reported that water demand is slightly higher than last year due to dry conditions in March. Compared to prior months Cal-Am has increased use from the Carmel River, but has had lower reliance on the Seaside Basin. Storage levels are strong, about a full year's supply and rainfall is close to a wet year, leaving the system well positioned heading into summer. The Board engaged in discussion following the presentation. The presentation is available on the District's website.

Chair Oglesby opened Public Comment; however, no comments were received.

13. Summary of Jurisdictional Water Allocation Policies

General Manager Dave Stoldt referenced his staff report on page 75 and reported that most jurisdictions have adopted new water allocation policies, with the county recently joining and using stricter, more prescriptive limits on development. Other cities generally allow more flexibility and are releasing water for projects. The City of Monterey is the exception, continuing to withhold all water allocations until regulatory changes occur to the Cease and Desist Order, which is limiting development despite available supply. The Board engaged in discussion following the presentation.

14. Update on Rosie's Garden

General Manager Dave Stoldt noted that the Board had previously approved a contribution toward the restoration of Rosie's Garden and stated that Kyle Smith, Water Demand Analyst, would provide an update on the project. Mr. Smith presented photos demonstrating the stages of the restoration. The Board engaged in discussion following the presentation. The presentation is available on the District's website.

REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNSEL

Chair Oglesby introduced the item.

15. Report on Pending Litigation

District Counsel Michael Laredo referenced the litigation report on page 159 of the meeting packet and briefly summarized ongoing legal matters.

Chair Oglesby opened Public Comment; however, no comments were received.

DIRECTORS' REPORTS (INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS ON TRIPS, CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE AND MEETINGS)

Chair Oglesby introduced the item.

16. Oral Reports on Activities of County, Cities, Other Agencies/Committees/Associations

- Director Riley shared that California American Water has a new community newsletter.

PUBLIC HEARING

Chair Oglesby introduced the item.

17. Consider Adoption of July through September 2026 Quarterly Supply Strategy and Budget

Jonathan Lear, Water Resources Manager, provided an overview of the proposed Water Supply Strategy and Budget for California American Water's Main System for the fourth quarter of Water Year 2026, covering the July through September period. Following the presentation, the Board engaged in discussion. The presentation is available on the District's website.

Chair Oglesby opened the Public Comment period; however, no comments were received.

Director Paull made a motion, seconded by Director Daniels, to adopt the proposed quarterly water supply budget. The motion passed by voice vote, with 7 Ayes (Edwards, Daniels, Lindor, Paull, Gawain, Oglesby, and Riley) and 0 Noes.

ACTION ITEMS**18. Adopt Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget and Accompanying Resolution No. 2026-05**

Nishil Bali, Chief Financial Officer/Administrative Services Manager, provided a summary highlighting key areas of the proposed budget. Mr. Bali referenced the discussion from the May 28, 2026 Budget Workshop. Following the presentation, the Board discussed the item. The presentation is available on the District's website.

Chair Oglesby opened the Public Comment period, during which the following comments were received:

- 1) Susan Schiavone complimented staff on the presentation and stated it was very clear, understandable, and comprehensive.

Director Gawain made a motion, seconded by Director Edwards, to adopt the proposed Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget and accompanying Resolution No. 2026-05. The motion passed by voice vote, with 7 Ayes (Daniels, Edwards, Lindor, Paull, Gawain, Oglesby, and Riley) and 0 Noes.

19. Consider Approval of Amendment No. 9 to the Employment Agreement of the General Manager

General Manager David Stoldt briefly reviewed his employment agreement and noted that this year's agreement would be for a one-year term.

Chair Oglesby opened the Public Comment; however, no comments were received.

Director Edwards made a motion, seconded by Director Paull, to approve Amendment No. 9 to the Agreement for Employment of the General Manager. The motion passed by a voice vote, with 7 Ayes (Daniels, Edwards, Lindor, Paull, Gawain, Oglesby and Riley) and 0 Noes.

DISCUSSION ITEM

Chair Oglesby introduced the item.

20. Update on the Application to Modify the Cease and Desist Order

General Manager Dave Stoldt reported that since submitting the application in October 2025, the District has received no hearing date or substantive response from the State Water Board despite ongoing follow-ups. Legal counsel advises there are limited options and recommends continuing to wait rather than pursuing legal action. Communication is restricted due to ex parte rules, but public input and support from officials like Senator Laird may help encourage progress.

Chair Oglesby opened the Public Comment period, during which the following comments were received:

- 1) Susan Schiavone asked whether it would be helpful for ratepayers to start participating in Water Board meetings and providing public comments, similar to the planned testimony by Kate Daniels, or if that would not be productive.
- 2) Marli Melton asked whether increased public involvement such as community members speaking out at meetings or contacting officials would be helpful in pushing for lifting the Cease and Desist Order, especially to support housing needs, and whether raising awareness among political candidates could also be beneficial.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS / STAFF REPORTS

Chair Oglesby introduced the item and asked if Board members had any comments or questions.

- 21. Report on Activity/Progress on Contracts Over \$25,000**
- 22. Status Report on Spending – Public's Ownership of Monterey Water System**
- 23. Letters Received and Sent**
- 24. Committee Reports**
- 25. Monthly Allocation Report**
- 26. Water Efficiency Program Report for May 2026**
- 27. Carmel River Fishery Report for May 2026**
- 28. Monthly Water Supply and California American Water Production Report**

These items were informational only, and no action was taken. Copies of these reports are available at the District office and on the District website.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Oglesby adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

Sara Reyes, Deputy District Secretary

Minutes approved by the MPWMD Board of Directors on _____.

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ITEM: CONSENT CALENDAR**2. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MAY 2026**

Meeting Date:	July 20, 2026	Budgeted:	N/A
From:	David J. Stoldt, General Manager	Program/ Line Item No.:	N/A
Prepared By:	Nishil Bali	Cost Estimate:	N/A

General Counsel Review: N/A**Committee Recommendation: N/A**

CEQA Compliance: This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15378.

SUMMARY: Exhibit 2-A comprises the Treasurer's Report for May 2026. Exhibit 2-B includes listings of check disbursements for the period May 1-30, 2026. Checks, virtual checks (AP Automation), direct deposits of employee paychecks, payroll tax deposits, and bank charges resulted in total disbursements for the period in the amount of \$2,376,081.51. Exhibit 2-C reflects the unaudited version of the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the month ending May 30, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the Board adopt the May 2026 Treasurer's Report and Statement of Revenues and Expenditures and ratify the disbursements made during the month.

EXHIBITS**2-A** Treasurer's Report**2-B** Listing of Cash Disbursements**2-C** Statement of Revenues and Expenditures

**MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MAY 2026**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Checking</u>	<u>MPWMD Money Market</u>	<u>California CLASS</u>	<u>L.A.I.F.</u>	<u>Multi-Bank Securities*</u>	<u>MPWMD Total</u>	<u>PB Reclamation Money Market</u>
Beginning Balance (A)	\$2,018,226.15	\$4,336,868.49	\$1,053,389.38	\$14,756,414.24	\$10,868,997.51	\$33,033,895.76	\$473,668.96
Fees/Deposits		829,581.71				829,581.71	257,578.27
MoCo Tax & WS Chg Installment Pymt						0.00	
Interest Received			3,308.19		23,442.13	26,750.32	(0.05)
Transfer - Checking/CLASS						0.00	
Transfer - Money Market/LAIF		-				0.00	
Transfer - Money Market/Checking	3,000,000.00	(3,000,000.00)				0.00	
Transfer - Money Market/Multi-Bank						0.00	
Transfer to CAWD						0.00	(250,000.00)
Sub-total - Receipts/Transfers (B)	\$3,000,000.00	(\$2,170,418.29)	\$3,308.19	-	\$23,442.13	\$856,332.03	\$7,578.22
[1] AP Automation Payments	(203,667.06)					(203,667.06)	
[2] General Checks	(1,804,619.64)					(1,804,619.64)	
[3] Bank Draft Payments	(17,942.77)					(17,942.77)	
[3] Payroll Tax/Benefit Deposits	(283,467.98)					(283,467.98)	
[4] Rebate Payments	(2,100.00)					(2,100.00)	
* Payroll Checks/Direct Deposits	(325,599.90)					(325,599.90)	
** Bank Charges/Other	(5,602.41)					(5,602.41)	
Reversals of Outstanding Payments	855.12					855.12	
Voided Checks	-					0.00	
Credit Card Fees						0.00	
Returned Deposits						0.00	
Sub-total - Disbursements (C)	(2,642,144.64)	-	-	-	-	(2,642,144.64)	-
Ending Balance (A+B+C)	\$2,376,081.51	\$2,166,450.20	\$1,056,697.57	\$14,756,414.24	\$10,892,439.64	\$31,248,083.15	\$481,247.18

Refer to Exhibit B for payments totalling [1], [2], [3], and [4]

* Total amount of District Employee and Board payroll

** Merchant account fees from Bank of America

EXHIBIT 2-B

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Check Report

By Check Number

Date Range: 05/01/2026 - 05/31/2026



Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

Vendor Number	Vendor Name	Payment Date	Payment Type	Discount Amount	Payment Amount	Number
Bank Code: APBNK	-Bank of America Checking					
Payment Type: Regular						
00274	Monterey One Water	05/26/2026	Regular	0.00	1,740,875.40	41083
40908	Weber Water Resources CA, LLC	05/26/2026	Regular	0.00	63,744.24	41084
Total Regular:				0.00	1,804,619.64	[2]

Check Report

Date Range: 05/01/2026 - 05/31/2026

Vendor Number	Vendor Name	Payment Date	Payment Type	Discount Amount	Payment Amount	Number
Payment Type: Virtual Payment						
41145	Advance Cleaning 365, Inc.	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,850.00	APA021539
00767	AFLAC	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	540.94	APA021540
28519	Albert A. Webb Associates	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	395.00	APA021541
14567	Applicant Information	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	125.49	APA021542
04041	Cynthia Schmidlin	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	610.92	APA021543
18734	DeVeera Inc.	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	8,342.88	APA021544
18225	DUDEK	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,856.25	APA021545
04717	Inder Osahan	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,417.20	APA021546
00094	John Arriaga	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	4,500.00	APA021547
06999	KBA Document Solutions, LLC	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	501.36	APA021548
31342	Kennedy/Jenks Consultants, Inc	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	13,446.25	APA021549
26785	Monterey Bay Pest Control, Inc.	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	420.00	APA021550
13396	Navia Benefit Solutions, Inc.	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,502.11	APA021551
00036	Parham Living Trust	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	2,550.00	APA021552
00154	Peninsula Messenger Service	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	679.00	APA021553
00755	Peninsula Welding Supply, Inc.	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	358.43	APA021554
26481	Printworks Solutions LP	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	6,846.38	APA021555
00262	Pure H2O	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	65.54	APA021556
00251	Rick Dickhaut	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	616.00	APA021557
00176	Sentry Alarm Systems	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	221.75	APA021558
04359	The Carmel Pine Cone	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	680.00	APA021559
09425	The Ferguson Group LLC	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	6,300.00	APA021560
17965	The Maynard Group	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,865.58	APA021561
00203	ThyssenKrup Elevator	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	824.70	APA021562
04366	Tom Lindberg	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	2,856.46	APA021563
00229	Tyler Technologies	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	50,283.50	APA021564
12181	Val Strough Honda	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	150.48	APA021565
23550	WellmanAD	05/11/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	9,356.00	APA021566
28398	A Tool Shed Equipment Rentals	05/15/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	306.80	APA021567
00010	Access Monterey Peninsula	05/15/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	10,050.00	APA021568
00760	Andy Bell	05/15/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	664.00	APA021569
00263	Arlene Tavani	05/15/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,223.80	APA021570
12601	Carmel Valley Ace Hardware	05/15/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	39.78	APA021571
00028	Colantuono, Highsmith, & Whatley, PC	05/15/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	294.00	APA021572
03857	Joe Oliver	05/15/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,223.80	APA021573
05830	Larry Hampson	05/15/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,499.18	APA021574
00222	M.J. Murphy	05/15/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	143.07	APA021575
13396	Navia Benefit Solutions, Inc.	05/15/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA021576
20230	Zoom Video Communications Inc	05/15/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	552.25	APA021577
12601	Carmel Valley Ace Hardware	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	45.72	APA021578
28518	Close & Associates, LLC	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	24,692.50	APA021579
00281	CoreLogic Information Solutions, Inc.	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,423.44	APA021580
00192	Extra Space Storage	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	510.00	APA021581
02833	Greg James	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,499.18	APA021582
00986	Henrietta Stern	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,831.60	APA021583
19897	John K. Cohan dba Telemetrix	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	11,364.12	APA021584
06999	KBA Document Solutions, LLC	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	15.00	APA021585
27302	Kyocera Document Solutions America, Inc.	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	535.75	APA021586
13431	Lynx Technologies, Inc	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	3,750.00	APA021587
04715	Matthew Lyons	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	202.90	APA021588
00242	MBAS	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	740.00	APA021589
18325	Minuteman Press Monterey	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	225.67	APA021590
13396	Navia Benefit Solutions, Inc.	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,654.56	APA021591
068453	Premier Training Services, LLC	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,520.00	APA021592
24869	Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc.	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	2,775.00	APA021593
22792	Uline	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,324.42	APA021594
00271	UPEC, Local 792	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,312.50	APA021595
08105	Yolanda Munoz	05/22/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	540.00	APA021596
00763	ACWA-JPIA	05/28/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	397.98	APA021600
00222	M.J. Murphy	05/28/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	47.82	APA021601

Check Report

Date Range: 05/01/2026 - 05/31/2026

Vendor Number	Vendor Name	Payment Date	Payment Type	Discount Amount	Payment Amount	Number
26785	Monterey Bay Pest Control, Inc.	05/28/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	140.00	APA021602
06637	University Corporation at Monterey Bay	05/28/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	11,760.00	APA021603
Total Virtual Payment:				0.00	203,667.06	[1]

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Date Range: 05/01/2026 - 05/31/2026

Vendor Number	Vendor Name	Payment Date	Payment Type	Discount Amount	Payment Amount	Number
Payment Type: Bank Draft						
00266	I.R.S.	05/01/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	38,006.43	DFT0004213
00266	I.R.S.	05/01/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	6,989.36	DFT0004214
00267	Employment Development Dept.	05/01/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	14,755.70	DFT0004215
00993	Harris Court Business Park	05/11/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	793.39	DFT0004224
00277	Home Depot Credit Services	05/11/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	257.92	DFT0004225
00259	Marina Coast Water District	05/11/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	3,696.49	DFT0004226
00768	MissionSquare Retirement- 302617	05/11/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	49,460.12	DFT0004227
00256	PERS Retirement	05/11/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	26,223.13	DFT0004228
00282	PG&E	05/11/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	40.63	DFT0004229
07627	Purchase Power	05/11/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	300.00	DFT0004230
00266	I.R.S.	05/15/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	18,464.71	DFT0004231
00266	I.R.S.	05/15/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	4,246.48	DFT0004232
00267	Employment Development Dept.	05/15/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	7,479.14	DFT0004233
00266	I.R.S.	05/15/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	287.74	DFT0004234
00266	I.R.S.	05/15/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	-327.21	DFT0004235
00266	I.R.S.	05/15/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	-96.14	DFT0004236
00267	Employment Development Dept.	05/15/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	-167.85	DFT0004237
00266	I.R.S.	05/15/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	58.76	DFT0004238
00266	I.R.S.	05/15/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	251.10	DFT0004239
29035	BlueTriton Brands Inc	05/15/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	266.60	DFT0004240
00769	Laborers Trust Fund of Northern CA	05/15/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	46,436.00	DFT0004241
00282	PG&E	05/15/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	13.04	DFT0004242
00766	Standard Insurance Company	05/15/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	1,374.94	DFT0004243
18163	Wex Bank	05/15/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	1,879.10	DFT0004244
00768	MissionSquare Retirement- 302617	05/22/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	9,958.31	DFT0004245
00256	PERS Retirement	05/22/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	25,215.96	DFT0004246
00282	PG&E	05/22/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	10,695.60	DFT0004247
00266	I.R.S.	05/29/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	21,339.19	DFT0004248
00266	I.R.S.	05/29/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	4,384.24	DFT0004249
00267	Employment Development Dept.	05/29/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	8,716.01	DFT0004250
00266	I.R.S.	05/29/2026	Bank Draft	0.00	411.86	DFT0004251
Total Bank Draft:				0.00	301,410.75	[3]

From Treasurer's Report:

Bank Draft Payments Payroll	\$17,942.77
Tax/Benefit Deposits	\$283,467.98
Total	301,410.75 [3]

Check Report

By Check Number

Date Range: 05/01/2026 - 05/31/2026

**Monterey Peninsula Water Management District**

Vendor Number	Vendor Name	Payment Date	Payment Type	Discount Amount	Payment Amount	Number
Bank Code: REBATES-02-Rebates (Reissues)						
Payment Type: Virtual Payment						
06576	Bruce Mehringer	05/27/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	775.00	APA021597
06584	Kristin Dotterer	05/27/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	625.00	APA021598
06581	Philip Steiner	05/27/2026	Virtual Payment	0.00	700.00	APA021599
Total Virtual Payment:				0.00	2,100.00	

[4]**Bank Code REBATES-02 Summary**

Payment Type	Payable Count	Payment Count	Discount	Payment
Regular Checks	0	0	0.00	0.00
Manual Checks	0	0	0.00	0.00
Voided Checks	0	0	0.00	0.00
Bank Drafts	0	0	0.00	0.00
EFT's	0	0	0.00	0.00
Virtual Payments	3	3	0.00	2,100.00
	3	3	0.00	2,100.00



MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE MONTH MAY 30, 2026

	<u>Mitigation</u>	<u>Conservation</u>	<u>Water Supply</u>	<u>Current Period Activity</u>	<u>Current FY Year-to-Date Actual</u>	<u>Current FY Annual Budget</u>	<u>Prior FY Year-to-Date Actual</u>
REVENUES							
Property taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,921,688	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 2,783,274
User fees	135,048	129,306	384,019	648,372	6,128,192	7,800,000	6,373,555
PWM Water Sales			1,004,058	1,004,058	18,325,561	19,284,012	13,919,101
Capacity fees			56,560	56,560	758,812	600,000	451,571
Permit fees	-	25,766		25,766	252,116	250,000	184,747
Investment income	16,343	16,343	16,838	49,525	884,678	750,000	765,516
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	6,603	15,000	7,151
Sub-total district revenues	151,391	171,415	1,461,475	1,784,281	29,277,650	31,699,012	24,484,914
Project reimbursements	-	10,587	-	10,587	348,337	1,024,693	993,138
Legal fee reimbursements		450		450	6,824	15,000	15,748
Grants	-	-	-	-	5,848,665	6,788,929	6,284,546
Recording fees		6,375		6,375	62,483	65,000	52,040
Sub-total reimbursements	-	17,412	-	17,412	6,266,310	7,893,622	7,345,472
From Reserves	-	-	-	-	-	2,645,259	-
Total revenues	151,391	188,827	1,461,475	1,801,693	35,543,959	42,237,892	31,830,386
EXPENDITURES							
Personnel:							
Salaries	138,598	193,689	206,310	538,597	3,524,176	4,042,800	3,045,352
Retirement	13,553	10,368	18,951	42,872	1,032,604	1,152,715	903,305
Unemployment Compensation	-	-	-	-	-	10,100	-
Auto Allowance	222	222	665	1,108	8,640	11,000	5,977
Deferred Compensation	280	280	841	1,402	10,939	21,614	10,191
Temporary Personnel	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	-
Workers Comp. Ins.	5,538	644	5,014	11,195	89,370	107,950	79,324
Employee Insurance	20,123	19,137	22,888	62,148	631,023	732,922	573,563
Medicare & FICA Taxes	2,059	3,202	3,047	8,308	55,778	82,188	46,851
Personnel Recruitment	213	207	226	645	4,103	11,500	38,328
Other benefits	1,236	1,198	1,311	3,745	6,666	2,000	2,896
Staff Development	502	486	892	1,880	15,655	26,400	17,318
Sub-total personnel costs	182,324	229,433	260,144	671,901	5,378,954	6,211,189	4,723,106
Services & Supplies:							
Board Member Comp	846	846	872	2,565	24,300	37,000	24,840
Board Expenses	46	45	49	140	7,369	10,000	7,992
Rent	593	163	604	1,360	14,960	30,000	13,920
Utilities	1,182	1,120	1,225	3,527	44,401	45,200	40,611
Telephone	1,033	1,129	831	2,994	32,270	40,800	33,146
Facility Maintenance	3,320	3,219	3,521	10,060	65,248	95,100	61,263
Bank Charges	10,251	9,736	11,076	31,062	47,480	68,000	13,516
Office Supplies	9,308	9,151	9,872	28,331	45,652	47,700	11,296
Courier Expense	273	264	289	826	7,212	7,600	6,769
Postage & Shipping	-	-	-	-	28,712	30,500	2,649
Equipment Lease	-	-	-	-	1,344	13,200	7,472
Equip. Repairs & Maintenance	-	-	-	-	628	5,100	2,869
Printing/Duplicating/Binding	-	-	-	-	2,428	2,600	2,084
IT Supplies/Services	2,549	2,499	2,677	7,725	234,863	289,100	233,086
Operating Supplies	40	1,445	194	1,679	25,838	25,100	25,657
Legal Services	10,364	8,959	21,102	40,425	410,967	400,000	453,336
Professional Fees	8,176	7,928	8,671	24,775	332,755	411,200	349,536
Transportation	904	142	894	1,940	35,517	58,700	41,213



MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE MONTH MAY 30, 2025

	<u>Mitigation</u>	<u>Conservation</u>	<u>Water Supply</u>	<u>Current Period Activity</u>	<u>Current FY Year-to-Date Actual</u>	<u>Current FY Annual Budget</u>	<u>Prior FY Year-to-Date Actual</u>
Travel	47	841	165	1,053	21,551	32,600	7,739
Meeting Expenses	623	604	661	1,888	29,297	17,200	28,526
Insurance	8,649	8,387	9,174	26,210	288,409	342,000	261,850
Legal Notices	-	-	-	-	-	5,700	2,145
Membership Dues	-	-	-	-	41,539	54,900	41,149
Public Outreach	-	-	-	-	9,511	5,500	10,145
Assessors Administration Fee	-	-	-	-	23,650	25,100	20,596
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	125	3,500	420
Sub-total services & supplies costs	58,204	56,480	71,878	186,562	1,776,026	2,103,400	1,703,823
Project expenditures	30,756	22,888	1,941,387	1,995,031	26,961,672	33,030,104	19,531,386
Fixed assets	225	218	239	683	18,030	37,100	66,830
Contingencies	-	-	-	-	-	70,000	-
Election costs	-	-	-	-	-	250,000	92,576
PWM Reserve*	-	-	-	-	2,583,108	2,583,108	-
Capital equipment reserve	-	-	-	-	-	326,000	-
Pension reserve	-	-	-	-	-	100,000	-
OPEB reserve	-	-	-	-	-	100,000	-
Sub-total other	30,981	23,107	1,941,626	1,995,714	29,562,810	36,496,312	19,690,792
Total expenditures	271,509	309,020	2,273,648	2,854,176	36,717,790	44,810,900	26,117,721
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures*	\$ (120,117)	\$ (120,193)	\$ (812,172)	\$ (1,052,483)	\$ (1,173,831)	\$ (2,573,008)	\$ 5,712,665

* PWM Operating and Drought Reserve contribution in FY2025-26

ITEM: CONSENT CALENDAR**3. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE 2026 ANNUAL MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR RELEASES FROM LOS PADRES RESERVOIR AMONG CALIFORNIA AMERICAN WATER, THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE, AND THE MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

Meeting Date:	July 20, 2026	Budgeted:	N/A
From:	David J. Stoldt, General Manager	Program/ Line Item No.:	Aquatic Resources and Hydrologic Monitoring 2
Prepared By:	Cory Hamilton and Thomas Christensen	Cost Estimate:	N/A

General Counsel Review: N/A**Committee Recommendation: N/A****CEQA Compliance: Consistent with SWRCB WR Order Nos. 95-10, 98-04, 2002-0002, and 2016-0016.****ESA Compliance: Consistent with the September 2001 Conservation Agreement between the National Marine Fisheries Service and California American Water to minimize take of listed steelhead in the Carmel River.**

SUMMARY: Representatives from the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD), California American Water (Cal-Am), the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), and National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) met on June 10, 2026, to negotiate the terms and conditions for the 2026 Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for releases and diversions from Los Padres Reservoir to the Carmel River. As has been the case annually since 2010, concurrence was provided only on the minimum low-flow targets.

Based on current storage conditions and expected reservoir inflows, it was agreed that Cal-Am shall make water releases into the Carmel River channel below Los Padres Reservoir beginning June 26, 2026, as follows measured at the District's Below Los Padres Gage:

Date Range 2026	Flow in Cubic Feet per Second
June 24 – September 30	8 cfs
October 1- November 15	7 cfs
November 16-December 31	6 cfs

When winter returns, Los Padres Reservoir will refill as the natural base flow increases and flows resume going over the spillway.

Cal-Am ceased diversions from its wells upstream of the Narrows on June 11, 2026, when Carmel River flow at the District's Don Juan Bridge gaging station in Garland Park had dropped below 20 cfs for the prior five consecutive days. These actions conform to State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Order 2002-0002 and the 2001 NMFS Conservation Agreement with Cal-Am. The Draft 2026 MOA is included as **Exhibit 3-A**.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommend that the Board approve the 2026 MOA and direct the General Manager to sign the agreement.

BACKGROUND: The projected monthly inflows to Los Padres Reservoir are derived from many years of above Los Padres Reservoir streamflow measurements. These inflows are then incorporated into a spreadsheet that uses the continuity equation to track stage, evaporation, and release. The parties will continue to monitor reservoir stage and release throughout the year and may meet either in September or October to reconsider whether or not any further modifications are needed.

To maximize the instream flow benefits from the proposed releases, the MOA also includes a condition that limits the amount of water pumped from Cal-Am's production wells in the Upper Carmel Valley (i.e., above the Narrows) to levels required for maintenance of the wells (**Exhibit 3-B**). This limitation and schedule also applies to the former Water West wells that are now owned and operated by Cal-Am. Similarly, the MOA includes a provision that Cal-Am will make all reasonable efforts to operate its Lower Carmel Valley production wells beginning with the most downstream well and moving to upstream wells as needed to meet system demand. This provision is consistent with Condition No. 5 of SWRCB Order 95-10.

The proposed MOA may be modified by mutual consent of all the parties and will be monitored weekly by representatives of the three parties.

IMPACT ON STAFF AND FISCAL RESOURCES: It is anticipated that flows in the lower river will slowly drop. Staff are monitoring flows for possible fish rescue efforts.

EXHIBITS

- 3-A** Draft 2026 Memorandum of Agreement between the State of California Department of Fish and Wildlife, California American Water, and the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District to Release Water into the Carmel River from Los Padres Reservoir
- 3-B** Maintenance and Water Quality Pumping Schedule

EXHIBIT 3-A

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2026 MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

AMONG THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE, CALIFORNIA AMERICAN WATER, AND MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT TO RELEASE WATER INTO THE CARMEL RIVER FROM LOS PADRES RESERVOIR

THIS AGREEMENT is made this 10th day of June 2026, among the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, ("Department"), California American Water, ("Cal-Am"), and the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, (the "District"), with respect to the following.

RECITALS

- A. The Department is required to conserve and protect the fish and wildlife resources of this state, and it is the Department's objective to maximize surface flows in the Carmel River below Los Padres Dam;
- B. Cal-Am supplies water to the citizens of the communities of the Monterey Peninsula, Monterey County in accordance with SWRCB Order No. 95-10, as amended.
- C. The District, through its rules and regulations, establishes a quarterly water supply strategy and budget for the Monterey Peninsula.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY AGREED:

DEFINITIONS

- 1. "Minimum pool at Los Padres Reservoir" means a surface water elevation of 1000 feet above mean sea level, or 378 acre-feet of storage.
- 2. "Water Release by Cal-Am at Los Padres Dam" into the Carmel River may occur from seepage through the dam, direct release from any discharge port, spillage over the crest of the dam, releases through the fish ladder or smolt emigration facility, releases from the lowest outlet at 980 feet NGVD, or any combination thereof.

DESIGNATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES

- 3. Cal-Am shall make water releases into the Carmel River channel below Los Padres Reservoir beginning approximately June 26, 2026 as follows: Cal-Am shall maintain 8.0 cubic feet per second (cfs) as measured at the District's Below Los Padres Gage until September 30, 2026. Then Cal-Am shall follow the schedule below. Small adjustments may be made as real-time data becomes available towards the end of summer.

Date Range 2026	Flow in Cubic Feet per Second
October 1- November 15	7 cfs
November 16- December 31	6 cfs

4. In the event that a significant change in projected runoff occurs in the basin during the duration of this Agreement, the parties will meet to discuss modifications to the scheduled reservoir releases and diversion.

5. Cal-Am shall limit operation of its wells in the Carmel Valley above the Narrows during low-flow periods as set forth in ordering Paragraph No. 2 of SWRCB Order WRO 2002-0002 (**Attachment A** hereto). Cal-Am shall notify the District and the Department of its maintenance pumping schedule in advance.

6. Cal-Am shall make reasonable efforts to operate the Lower Carmel Valley production wells in the sequence from the most downstream well and progress upstream as wells are needed and available for production. Cal-Am shall notify the District and the Department before operating its Scarlett No. 8 Well.

7. Cal-Am shall notify the District and the Department when the water elevation reaches 1005 feet NGVD at Los Padres Reservoir, and Cal-Am shall not draw Los Padres Reservoir below minimum-pool elevation without obtaining specific written approval from the Department.

8. In the event that Cal-Am has not exceeded its annual production limit from both the Coastal Subareas of the Seaside Groundwater Basin and Carmel River sources, Cal-Am shall make every reasonable effort to produce water from the Coastal Subareas of the Seaside Basin before producing water from its Carmel River sources to preserve streamflow and instream habitat in the Carmel River for listed species, consistent with the production amounts specified in the Quarterly Water Supply Strategy and Budget for Cal-Am's main distribution system.

DISTRICT

9. The District shall take direct measurements of inflow to Los Padres Reservoir on a monthly basis through the duration of this Agreement.

ALL PARTIES

10. This Agreement is revocable upon ten days' written notice to all parties signatory to this Agreement.

11. This Agreement is entered into without prejudice to the rights and remedies of any party to the Agreement.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM OF AGREEMENT

12. This Agreement is effective June 10, 2026 and shall remain in force until January 31, 2027. This Agreement may be modified or extended by mutual consent of all the parties.

EXECUTION

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each party hereto has caused this Memorandum of Agreement to be executed by an authorized official on the day and year set forth opposite their signature.

California American Water

By: _____
511 Forest Lodge Road
Pacific Grove, CA 93950

Date

Monterey Peninsula Water Management
District

By: _____
P.O. Box 85
Monterey, CA 93942-0085

Date

California Department of Fish and
Wildlife

By: _____
1234 East Shaw Avenue
Fresno, CA 93710

Date

ATTACHMENT A

STATE OF CALIFORNIA STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

ORDER WRO 2002 – 0002

In the Matter of Reconsideration of WR Order 2001-04-DWR
Implementing Condition 6 of Order WR 95-10 as Modified by
Order WR 98-04 Regarding Diversions by
California-American Water Company

SOURCE: Carmel River

COUNTY: Monterey

ORDER RECONSIDERING WR ORDER 2001-04-DWR

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Cal-Am shall comply with Condition 6 of Order WR 95-10, as modified by Order WR 98-04 as follows:

1. Cal-Am shall immediately upon issuance of this order cease withdrawal of water from the San Clemente Dam during low flow periods except during an emergency. “Emergency” means a system failure such as a pump failure, main breaks or fires, that jeopardizes the public health and safety. Hot weather demand alone shall not *per se* be an “emergency,” but it is recognized that after taking appropriate conservation measures, if levels in the Clear Well fall below nine feet from the bottom of the tank, an emergency may exist and diversions at San Clemente or the utilization of other facilities may be necessary. Nine feet from the bottom of the tank is a minimum requirement established by California Department of Health Services regulations. In all cases, diversions at San Clemente Dam or the utilization of other facilities shall be undertaken in a manner that is least damaging to the fishery resources, and these emergency operations shall be for the shortest practicable time. Cal-Am shall notify and consult with NMFS, FWS, DFG, and the District prior to implementation of emergency operations. If there is no time for consultation, Cal-Am shall notify NMFS, FWS, DFG, and the District of its emergency operation as early as practicable within eight (8) hours after Cal-Am first becomes aware of the emergency. Cal-Am shall notify, by telephone or telefax, the Chief of the Division of Water Rights within 24 hours of the emergency or by noon of the first business day following the incident. For the purpose of this Order, “low flow periods” are defined as times when stream flow in the Carmel River at the Don Juan Bridge (RM 10.8) gage is less than 20 cfs for five consecutive days. Pursuant to its continuing authority over the public trust, the SWRCB may amend this order to modify the definition of “low flow periods” or to add additional flow requirements to protect steelhead in the Carmel River. The Chief of the Division of Water Rights (Chief) is delegated the authority to modify the definition of “low flow periods” and the authority to add flow requirements based on new information, after finding that any proposed change to the order would better protect steelhead in the Carmel River. The Chief is also delegated the authority to modify the flow requirements of this order, in response to any changes in the requirements imposed under the Endangered Species Act, as necessary to prevent this order from being in violation of the Endangered Species Act or unreasonably interfering with efforts to comply with the Endangered Species Act. Prior to making the finding and prior to making any change to the order, the Chief shall provide notice to the parties to this hearing and give them an opportunity to comment on the proposed change.

EXHIBIT 3-B

Anticipated Maintenance & Water Quality Pumping Schedule												
2026												
Wells	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Scarlett Well No. 8	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed
Los Laureles Well No. 5	6	3	3	7	5	2	7	4	1	6	3	1
Los Laureles Well No. 6	7	4	4	8	6	3	8	5	2	7	4	2
Garzas Well No. 3	5 & 6	2 & 3	2 & 3	6 & 7	4 & 5	1 & 2	6 & 7	3 & 4	14 & 15	5 & 6	2 & 3	7 & 8
Garzas Well No. 4	7 & 8	4 & 5	4 & 5	8 & 9	6 & 7	3 & 4	8 & 9	5 & 6	16 & 17	7 & 8	4 & 5	9 & 10
Panetta Well No. 1	5 & 6	2 & 3	2 & 3	6 & 7	4 & 5	1 & 2	6 & 7	3 & 4	14 & 15	5 & 6	2 & 3	7 & 8
Panetta Well No. 2	7 & 8	4 & 5	4 & 5	8 & 9	6 & 7	3 & 4	8 & 9	5 & 6	16 & 17	7 & 8	4 & 5	9 & 10
Robles Well No. 3	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed	Destroyed
Scarlett Well No. 8, Los Laureles Well No. 5 and Well No. 6 will be pumped one day per month for 8 hours												
Garzas Wells No. 3 and No. 4 and Panetta Wells No. 1 and No. 2 will be pumped 2 days per week, one week per month for 8 hours per day.												
Robles Well No. 3 will be pumped two (2) hours per day, one (1) day per week, four (4) weeks per month.												
Well sampling for Water Quality purposes may be in addition to above schedules and will be conducted after 10:30 a.m. and before 2:00 p.m. on a quarterly basis.												
The wells need to run for approximately 20 min for this sampling.												
(< 20 cfs for 5 consecutive days at the Don Juan gauging station) or non-usage, the above schedule will be utilized.												

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July 13, 2026

TO: Chair Oglesby, Members of the Board and General Manager Stoldt

FROM: Michael D. Laredo, General Counsel

RE: General Report of Pending Litigation effective July 13, 2026

This memo presents a public summary of litigation matters that are deemed to be open and active. This is a recurring memo; the newly updated data is shown in **highlighted text**.

1 – MPWMD v. Cal-Am; 23CV004102

This lawsuit embodies District efforts to fulfill the electoral mandate of Measure J to acquire ownership and operation of Cal-Am's Monterey Division water supply facilities by eminent domain. Cal-Am contends the District lacks the power to both acquire the water system, or to operate a retail potable water system. The District disputes Cal-Am's contentions and objections.

On December 12, 2025, Judge Rivamonte reviewed two competing motions filed by MPWMD and Cal-Am, respectively, to narrow the scope of this proceeding. Judge Rivamonte denied both motions and ruled a trial is necessary to resolve several factual disputes.

At the February 24, 2026, Case Management Conference (CMC) Judge Rivamonte set a bench trial in Department 14 to begin October 19, 2026. This trial shall focus solely on LAFCO issues. The trial is estimated to take two to four days. A Management Conference for the trial is set for October 16, 2026, in Department 14, at 10:00 a.m.

2 – MPWMD v. Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO); Cal-Am; 22CV000925
6th Dist. Court of Appeal H051849

The District successfully challenged LAFCO's decisions affecting and limiting MPWMD's power to acquire Cal-Am water system facilities as directed by the voter mandate in Measure J. LAFCO and Cal-Am then appealed the 2023 decision of Judge Thomas Wills. The matter is on appeal before the Sixth District Court of Appeal.

MPWMD's brief was filed in November 2025. LAFCO and Cal-Am filed their respective briefs in April. MPWMD timely prepared and filed its reply brief earlier this month. The matter has not yet been set for oral argument.

3 – *City of Marina; MPWMD, et al, v. California Coastal Commission (CCC); Cal-Am;* Trial Case 22CV004063; 6th District Appellate Case H053560

The trial court judgment entered on May 29, 2025, found the CCC did not exceed its jurisdiction or abuse its discretion in this matter. Parties City of Marina, Marina Coast Water District (MCWD), and MPWMD jointly filed a Notice of Appeal on July 24, 2025.

Respondents have not yet filed their reply briefs.

4 – Matters before the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) pertaining to Cal-Am.

The following actions are separate proceedings in which MPWMD is involved due to their impact on the Monterey area or upon the Cal-Am water system.

4.a A.25-07-003 Cal-Am 2025 General Rate Case (GRC)

Cal-Am filed its latest triennial rate request with the CPUC on July 1, 2025. This request is part of the regular three-year rate cycle by which the CPUC reviews and authorizes Cal-Am's rates and charges, and also by which the CPUC authorizes Cal-Am to modify its operating system. Evidentiary Hearings were held in San Francisco from April 20 to April 24, 2026. The District conducted cross examination of witnesses to provide a basis to comment on Cal-Am's proposed settlement. At the time of the hearing the proposed settlement had been orally described, but no written summary was made available.

California American Water and Cal Advocates filed their proposed settlement on June 8, 2026. The projected increase is 16%, down from the almost 28% increase originally proposed. It includes operation and maintenance expenses, labor and benefits, capital budgets, various account balance recovery and other requests. For 2027, the Central Division (Monterey) Operating Revenues will approach \$116 million to maintain Cal-Am's rate of return at 7.68%.

MPWMD filed comments on the Settlement Agreement on July 8, 2026, with reply comments due on July 23, 2026. Opening briefs on the overall application were submitted June 29 with reply briefs due July 20th. A Proposed Decision is anticipated in October with Commission approval sometime before the end of 2026.

4.b R.22-04-003 CPUC Acquisition Rulemaking

This action is a statewide CPUC Rulemaking matter that addresses statewide public utility system policy regarding water system acquisitions, with specific impact on the Cal-Am system. The matter is assigned to Commissioner Darcie Houck.

A Proposed Decision was issued May 29, 2026, containing many revisions to the existing procedures specifically advocated for by MPWMD. New revisions include mandatory detailed impact analyses for both existing and acquired customers, expanded public notice requirements, and mandatory community engagement. The primary focus of the acquisition process is on failing, at-risk, and potentially at-risk

systems identified by the SWRCB with expedited review timelines and refined incentives. The Commission adopted the recommendations at the July 2, 2026, meeting.

4.c C.26-06-021 MPWMD, MCWD, City of Marina v. Cal-Am

On June 16, 2026, MPWMD, Marina Coast Water District, and the City of Marina filed a joint Complaint against Cal-Am for violation of D.18-09-017, various sections of the California Public Utilities Code, and the California Constitution. The parties allege Cal-Am is proceeding with a desalination project of a smaller size in violation of a Commission order. Commissioner Matthew Baker and Administrative Law Judge Gerald Kelly were assigned to this proceeding on July 7, 2026. Cal-Am was notified that this Complaint was filed and was instructed to answer by August 6, 2026.

5 –MPWMD v. SWRCB. Case No. 1-10-CV-163328 (Santa Clara County Superior Court) 10/27/2009.

This matter was filed in 2010 to challenge the Cease & Desist Order (CDO) issued by the SWRCB. The case asserted four causes of action against the SWRCB related to the Cease & Desist Order. Originally filed in Monterey County, the case was transferred to Santa Clara County.

After the action was dismissed by the July 2025 motion of the Sierra Club and Carmel River Steelhead Association (CRSA), the Sierra Club filed a Motion Award of Attorney’s Fees against Cal-Am and MPWMD, requesting payment of approximately \$450,000 in total fees, costs and interest thereon. De Lay & Laredo defended MPWMD’s interests before the trial court.

Following briefing and a hearing on the merits, Santa Clara County Superior Court, Judge Beth McGowen denied Sierra Club’s request in its entirety, finding Sierra Club’s request (1) was flawed due to procedural deficiencies, (2) Sierra Club failed to make “ ‘a clear showing of some unique contribution to the litigation” and also (3) Sierra Club had “not met its burden to establish that “an action involving a successful party ‘has resulted in the enforcement of an important right affecting the public interest....’ ”

Sierra Club has filed a Notice of Appeal and has designated the Record for Appeal. The 6th District Court of Appeal assigned Case # H054345 to this case.

Appellant's opening brief and appendix is required to be served and filed within 70 days from the date of filing the notice of election under Rule 8.212(a)(1)(B) of the California Rules of Court). De Lay & Laredo will continue to represent District interests as lead appellate counsel in this appeal.

6. – Hearing to Consider Modification of California American Water Company Cease and Desist Order (State Water Board Orders WR2016-0016 and WR2009-0060).

On October 24, 2025, MPWMD submitted an Application seeking modification of the State Water Resource Control Board (SWRCB) Cease and Desist Order (State Water Board Orders WR2016-0016 and WR2009-0060) (“Application”). The Application was filed under California Water Code § 1832 which allows the Water Board, after notice and opportunity for hearing, upon receipt of an application from an aggrieved person, to modify, revoke, or stay in whole or in part a cease and desist order.

On June 19, 2026, SWRCB Senior Hearing Officer Megan S. Knize issued a “Notice of Hearing” establishing a briefing schedule and hearing date. On July 1, 2026, the SWRCB received an objection from Cal-Am to the proposed deadline of July 20, 2026, for submitting testimony, and all deadlines thereafter. The objection requested an extension of 30 days for each deadline, which was granted on July 9, 2026.

The amended Hearing Schedule is as follows:

- **August 19, 2026:** Written testimony and exhibits addressing the hearing questions.
- **September 18, 2026:** Written rebuttal to testimony and exhibits.
- **November 5, 2026:** Opportunity for public comments and presentation of policy statements. This will be conducted as a hybrid hearing with the opportunity to participate in person at the CalEPA Building in Sacramento or online on the Zoom platform.
- **November 10, 2026:** Closing briefs due.

MPWMD is currently preparing testimony and exhibits to be submitted to the SWRCB by August 19, 2026.

ITEM: ACTION ITEM**7. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2026-08 CALLING AN ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS IN VOTER DIVISIONS 1 AND 2 ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026, AND APPROVAL OF A SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE MONTEREY COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT**

Meeting Date:	July 20, 2026	Budgeted:	Yes
From:	David J. Stoldt General Manager	Program/ Line Item:	Election Expense
Prepared By:	Sara Reyes	Cost Estimate:	\$250,000

General Counsel Review: N/A**Committee Recommendation: NA****CEQA Compliance: This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines section 15378.**

SUMMARY: On November 3, 2026, an election is scheduled for directors in voter Divisions 1 and 2. The Monterey County Elections Department requires that a resolution calling for the November 3 election be adopted by the Board of Directors and submitted no later than August 7, 2026. The proposed resolution is attached as **Exhibit 7-A**.

The actual amount billed by the Elections Department will be based on the final costs calculated after the election. Section 10002 of the Elections Code specifies that the District shall reimburse the County Elections Department in full for the election services performed. Staff requests that the Board authorize the General Manager to enter into a service agreement with the Elections Department (Exhibit 7-B).

RECOMMENDATION: The Board should adopt Resolution No. 2026-08, attached as **Exhibit 7-A**, calling for an election in voter Divisions 1 and 2 on November 3, 2026, and authorize the General Manager to enter into a services agreement with the Monterey County Elections Department to conduct the election, attached as **Exhibit 7-B**.

IMPACT ON STAFF/RESOURCES: The Fiscal Year 2026-27 Budget identifies \$250,000 under the Election Expenses category to cover the cost of this District election. The authorization is for a not-to-exceed amount of \$250,000. If needed, additional funds will be allocated during the mid-year budget process in February 2027.

EXHIBITS

7-A Draft Resolution No. 2026-08 Ordering an Election in Voter Divisions 1 and 2 on November 3, 2026

7-B Service Agreement for the Provision of Election Services



EXHIBIT 7-A

DRAFT
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-08

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
ORDERING AN ELECTION IN VOTER DIVISIONS 1 AND 2
REQUESTING COUNTY ELECTIONS TO CONDUCT THE ELECTION,
AND REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION OF THE ELECTION**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10002, the governing body of any district may by resolution request the Board of Supervisors of the County to permit the county elections official to render specified services to the district relating to the conduct of an election; and

WHEREAS, the resolution of the governing body of the district shall specify the services requested; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10002, the governing body of any city or district may by resolution request the Board of Supervisors of the county to permit the county elections official to render specified services to the city or district relating to the conduct of an election. The city or district shall reimburse the county in full for the services performed upon presentation of a bill to the city or district; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10400, whenever two or more elections, including bond elections, of any legislative or congressional district, public district, city, county or other political subdivision are called to be held on the same day, in the same territory, or in territory that is in part the same, they may be consolidated upon the order of the governing body or bodies or officer or officers calling the elections; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10403, whenever an election called by a district, city or other political subdivision for the submission of any question, proposition, or office to be filled is to be consolidated with a statewide election, and the question, proposition, or office to be filled is to appear upon the same ballot as that provided for that statewide election, the district, city or other political subdivision shall, at least 88 days prior to the date of the election, file with the board of supervisors, and a copy with the elections official, a resolution of its governing board requesting the consolidation, and setting forth the exact form of any question, proposition, or office to be voted upon at the election, as it is to appear on the ballot. Upon such request, the Board of Supervisors may order the consolidation. The resolution requesting the consolidation shall be adopted and filed at the same time as the adoption of the ordinance, resolution, or order calling the election; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 13307, whenever an election called by a district, city, or other political subdivision has offices to be filled, it is required to fix and determine the number of words that a candidate may submit on the candidate’s statement to be either 200 or 400 words and to determine if the candidate and or the political subdivision will pay the cost of the statement; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code Section 15651 requires the city or district to determine the means and manner in which a tie vote is to be resolved in the event that two or more persons receive an equal number of votes and the highest number of votes (“tie votes”) for an office to be voted upon; and

WHEREAS, various district, county, state and other political subdivision elections may be or have been called to be held on **November 3, 2026**.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED THAT the governing body of the **Monterey Peninsula Water Management District** hereby orders an election be called and consolidated with any and all elections also called to be held on **November 3, 2026** insofar as said elections are to be held in the same territory or in territory that is in part the same as the territory of the Water Management District, and requests the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey to order such consolidation under Elections Code Section 10401 and 10403.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED THAT pursuant to Elections Code Section 10002 said governing body hereby requests the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey to permit the Monterey County Elections Department to provide any and all services necessary for conducting an election and agrees to pay for said services in full, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED THAT the Monterey County Elections Department conduct the election for the purpose of electing **two (2)** Members to this Governing Board on the **November 3, 2026** ballot:

SEATS OPEN	OFFICE	TERM	Division
1	Director	4 years	Division 1
1	Director	4 years	Division 2

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED THAT pursuant to Election Code Section 13307 the **Monterey Peninsula Water Management District** has resolved that all costs of the Candidate’s statement be paid by the **candidate** and that no candidate may submit a statement of over **400** words.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED THAT pursuant to Elections Code Section 10515, should only one person file for candidacy in voter divisions 1 and 2 the County elections official shall cancel the election in the affected division, and the Board of Supervisors shall appoint that candidate to fill the vacancy. Should no person file for candidacy in voter divisions 1 and 2, the County elections official shall cancel the election in the affected division, and the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey shall appoint the candidate to fill the vacancy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED THAT pursuant to Elections Code Section 10551, if a tie vote makes it impossible to determine which of two or more candidates has been elected, the county elections official shall notify the Water Management District Board of Directors, who shall forthwith notify the candidates who have received the tie votes to appear before it personally or by representative as a time and place designated. The Water Management District Board of Directors shall, at that time and place, determine the tie by lot and declare the results.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____th day of ____ on a motion by Director _____, seconded by Director _____ by the following vote:

AYES:

NAYES:

ABSENT:

I, David J. Stoldt, Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, hereby certify that the foregoing is a resolution adopted on the ____ day of ____ 2026.

Dated: _____

David J. Stoldt,
Secretary to the Board of Directors

SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF ELECTION
SERVICES BETWEEN Monterey Peninsula Water Management District AND
COUNTY OF MONTEREY DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS
NOVEMBER 3, 2026

This Agreement, entered into this _____ day of _____ 2026, by and between
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and County of Monterey Department of
Elections (hereinafter referred to as the Department);

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable that the Department be retained for the
purpose of conducting an election hereinafter described for the Monterey Peninsula Water
Management District (hereinafter referred to as the District);

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY AGREED BY THE PARTIES HERETO AS FOLLOWS:

SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED BY THE DISTRICT:

- 1) No later than the 123rd day prior to the election the District shall submit a board approved resolution which requests the County of Monterey Department of Elections to conduct an election for the District on **NOVEMBER 3, 2026** and requesting election related services of the Department.
- 2) The District shall submit to the Department in writing the exact number of offices to be voted on and/or the exact ballot wording to be voted by no later than the 88th day prior to the election, or by the 83rd day prior to the election if Elections Code §§ 10510, 10515, and 10516 are applicable.
- 3) The District shall prepare and deliver to the Department the Voter Guide information containing, as applicable, the ballot measure and tax rate statements. The last day for the submission of primary arguments (300 words) and impartial analysis shall be no later than **AUGUST 13, 2026**. The last day for the submission of rebuttal arguments (250 words) is **AUGUST 20, 2026**.

- 4) The District shall be responsible for reviewing and approving the language of the sample ballot and official ballot wording for candidates and measures.

SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED BY THE DEPARTMENT:

- 1) The Department shall publish the Notice of Election and the Notice to File Declarations of Candidacy for the District offices to be voted on, and/or the Notice to File Arguments for or against any measure.
- 2) The Department shall select and contract with the sample and official ballot printer(s) on behalf of the District..
- 3) The Department shall prepare and deliver to the printer the official ballot information.
- 4) The Department shall issue, receive, and process all ballots on behalf of the District matters.
- 5) The Department shall procure all necessary and appropriate polling place locations, hire polling place workers, and conduct the election in accordance with all applicable state, federal and local laws.
- 6) The Department shall prepare a Canvass of Votes Cast and submit a Certificate of Registrar of Voters to the District regarding the District matters.
- 7) The Department shall conduct other various and miscellaneous election activities as required including but not limited to all those required as the District's Election Official other than those described under "Services to be Performed by the District".

TERMS:

This Agreement shall be in effect for the performance of all services incident to the preparation and conduct of the election to be held on **NOVEMBER 3, 2026**.

The parties will use best efforts to perform services herein. However, in the event the Department is unable to perform services required under this Agreement that are beyond their control, including an employee strike, vendor conditions, natural disasters, war, or other similar conditions, the Department will be relieved of all obligations under this Agreement. The Department will provide reasonable notice, if practical, of any conditions beyond their control, including notice at least 60 days prior to **NOVEMBER 3, 2026** of vendor conditions affecting the election services. In the event a vendor does not perform, the Department will attempt to obtain substitute services.

CONSIDERATION:

In consideration of the performance of services and supplies provided by the Department, the District shall pay to the Department a sum equal to the actual cost of such services, expenses, and supplies related to the work performed on behalf of District. In the event that this Agreement is terminated prematurely, the District shall pay to the Department a sum equal to the actual cost of such services performed or supplies/expenses incurred as of the effective date of the termination.

The District shall make payment within 30 days of receipt of invoice from the Department.

DISTRICT:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

COUNTY:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: Gina Martinez

Title: County of Monterey, Registrar of Voters

ITEM: ACTION ITEM**8. CONSIDER APPROVING A SCOPE OF WORK FROM DDA FOR COASTAL MONITORING WELL CEQA SERVICES**

Meeting Date:	July 20, 2026	Budgeted:	Yes
From:	Mike McCullough	Program/	Monitoring Wells
	Assistant General Manager	Line Item:	35-03-785502
Prepared By:	Jonathan Lear	Cost Estimate:	Estimated \$121,000

General Counsel Review: N/A

CEQA Compliance: This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines section 15378.

BACKGROUND: In March of this year, District staff came to the Water Supply Committee and ultimately the Board with a request to partner with Seaside WaterMaster to send a letter to California State Parks about installing a monitoring near Sentinel Well #4 along the west side of HWY1.

Also in March, the Board held its Strategic Planning Session and came up with 3 different sets of goals: Highest Priority, Mid-Level Goals, and On-Going Goals. For the Highest Priority Goals, Goal #3 was titled - Collaborate on Protecting Assets in the Seaside Groundwater Basin.

Both of these items have one thing in common, allowing District staff the leeway to start employing resources for protecting the water supply in the Seaside Groundwater Basin.

SUMMARY: MPWMD is focused on the protection of the Seaside Groundwater Basin as a primary source of water supply for the region. The threat of over-pumping the basin would pose a significant risk of seawater intrusion, which could compromise water quality, reliability and long-term sustainability of the water supply.

As more Pure Water Monterey and ASR water are being injected into the basin, the District is eager to learn more about how the injected purified water and excess river flows interacts with native groundwater in the northern portion of the basin. To that end, the District is exploring opportunities to expand our network of monitoring wells and utilize the new information generated from the monitoring wells to refine the existing groundwater model.

Implementation of the Pure Water Monterey project has already shown improvements in basin water levels and water movement patterns within the aquifer strata. Refining the groundwater model with new data points will enhance water movement projections within the basin and help determine if any leakage is occurring towards the ocean or towards the direction of another groundwater basin.

Collecting more data from more monitoring wells is paramount for effectively managing the groundwater basin. Understanding the complexity of the interactions between geological characteristics, hydrology, and water usage patterns of the basin is critical for the community to sustainably use the basin now and into the future.

DISCUSSION: For the District to cover all the bases for installing new monitoring wells, District staff felt it was necessary to bring on the services of a firm to assist in performing CEQA at several possible well sites (Exhibit 2). Key Highlights of the proposal include:

- Develop appropriate Technical Reports
- Draft Appropriate Environmental Documentation Analysis
- Assess Coastal Development Permit Options
- Review relevant Regulatory Permit Matrices

Denise Duffy & Associates (DDA) has extensive experience on projects with State Parks and the Coastal Commission.

COST: DDA has proposed a scope of \$110,615 plus the District added a 10% contingency for a contract not to exceed \$121,000 for the upcoming fiscal year 2026-27. A copy of the proposed agreement is included as **Exhibit 8-A**.

RECOMMENDATION: The MPWMD Board approves the Denise Duffy & Associates Coastal Monitoring Well Project Scope for a not to exceed amount of \$121,000.

EXHIBITS:

8-A DDA Coastal Monitoring Well Project Scope and Budget

8-B Map of Potential Well Locations

**Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc.**

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING

June 24, 2026

Jonathan Lear, P.G., CHg, Water Resources Division Manager
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
5 Harris Court, Building G, Monterey, CA 93940

**Subject: Monterey Peninsula Water Management District – Coastal Monitoring Well Project
Scope and Budget**

Dear Mr. Lear,

Thank you for providing Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. ("DD&A") with the opportunity to submit this proposed scope of work and budget to provide planning and environmental services for the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District – Coastal Monitoring Well Project ("Proposed Project"). DD&A understands the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District ("MPWMD") is seeking to install a shallow groundwater monitoring well in Fort Ord Dunes State Park ("FODSP").

DD&A has extensive experience providing services in California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") compliance, regulatory permitting, biological surveys and analyses, habitat restoration, compliance monitoring, environmental impact assessments, water supply and distribution planning, and contract planning. DD&A has experience working closely with the California Department of Parks and Recreation ("State Parks") and the California Coastal Commission ("Coastal Commission"), as well as other regulatory resource agencies, in connection with development at FODSP. For example, DD&A provided environmental services for the Seaside Basin Watermaster's Seawater Intrusion Response Plan and Basin Management Action Plan in 2009. DD&A also prepared an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration ("IS/MND"), Biological Resources Report, and Dune Restoration Plan for the Ord Village Lift Station Project at FODSP for the Marina Coast Water District. DD&A also has a long history working with MPWMD. Given DD&A's experience in FODSP providing planning and environmental services for water infrastructure projects, and relationship with MPWMD, we believe we are well positioned to support on the Proposed Project.

Based on preliminary review of Project materials and conversations with MPWMD staff, DD&A anticipates that an IS/MND is the appropriate level of environmental documentation. To support this level of analysis, DD&A would prepare an Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Memorandum and Biological Resources Report. DD&A assumes that existing cultural resource documentation from previous projects in FODSP will be sufficient for purposes of environmental review. If required, DD&A is available to engage a cultural resources subconsultant.

Attached, please find a scope of work and cost estimate (**Attachment A**) for planning and environmental services for the Proposed Project. If the attached scope of work and budget are acceptable, please sign and return a copy of the Authorization to Proceed form (**Attachment B**). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. We appreciate this opportunity and look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Tyler Potter, J.D., AICP
Project Director
Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc.

Oliviya Wyse
Project Manager
Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc.

INTRODUCTION

The following scope of work is organized based on the preliminary information and requirements provided by MPWMD. This proposal covers environmental review under CEQA, preparation and acquisition of a Coastal Development Permit (“CDP”), and identification of additional permitting necessary for implementation of the Proposed Project. Attachments to this scope of work consist of the Cost Estimate (**Attachment A**), Authorization to Proceed Form (**Attachment B**), DD&A’s Standard Terms and Conditions (**Attachment C**), and Key Staff Member Resumes (**Attachment D**).

DD&A KEY STAFF & BIOGRAPHIES

DD&A has the requisite staff experience to provide MPWMD with the complete range of services for the Proposed Project. DD&A’s Project Director, Tyler Potter, J.D., AICP, will be available to provide expert guidance on the Proposed Project. Mr. Potter may be contacted at tpotter@ddaplanning.com or by phone at (831) 373- 4341x37. DD&A will utilize Oliviya Wyse as the Project Manager and main point of contact for MPWMD. Oliviya Wyse may be contacted at owyse@ddaplanning.com or by phone at (805) 801-0997. The key staff identified in this section have substantial experience on similar projects and will be available throughout the contract. Please see the biographies and roles for key DD&A staff below. Additionally, resumes are included in **Attachment D** of this scope of work.

Tyler Potter: Tyler Potter is a professional planner and attorney with over 22 years of planning experience. Mr. Potter’s areas of expertise include regulatory compliance, entitlements processing, CEQA/National Environmental Policy Act (“NEPA”) compliance, public outreach, and project management. Mr. Potter has managed numerous projects for both public and private clientele, ranging from multi-disciplinary CEQA/NEPA analyses, to planning and entitlement-related projects; including large-scale infrastructure projects (e.g., water, wastewater, renewable energy). As Project Director, Mr. Potter is responsible for the management of technical report preparation, regulatory agency coordination, subconsultant management, permit acquisition and strategy, QA/QC review, and schedule maintenance.

Role: As the Project Director, Mr. Potter will provide senior oversight and quality control on adequacy of the environmental documentation and permitting efforts for the Proposed Project. Mr. Potter will provide expert guidance related to CEQA requirements and acquisition of the CDP for the Proposed Project.

Oliviya Wyse: Oliviya Wyse is a Project Manager with over 10 years of experience in the environmental field. Ms. Wyse has worked for both public and private entities. Her responsibilities at DD&A include project management, overseeing preparation of environmental documents; coordination and preparation of permitting applications, environmental compliance tracking; research; and preparation of proposals.

Role: Ms. Wyse will serve as the main point of contact for MPWMD and will contribute substantially to the preparation of the environmental documentation. Ms. Wyse will also oversee preparation of the CDP and communication with relevant regulatory agencies.

Matt Johnson: Matthew Johnson has 24 years of experience working in the environmental field. Mr. Johnson currently serves as a Senior Environmental Scientist, Project Manager, and manager of DD&A’s Geographic Information Systems (“GIS”) department. His responsibilities include project management, rare plant and wildlife surveys, biological monitoring, wetland delineations, riparian habitat assessments, and preparation of biological documentation. Mr. Johnson also holds a CDFW Scientific Collecting Permit allowing for collection and handling of mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and freshwater/terrestrial invertebrates.

Role: Mr. Johnson will lead the preparation of the Biological Resources Report for the Proposed Project. In addition, Mr. Johnson will provide expert guidance related to biological resources for acquisition of the CDP for the Proposed Project. Mr. Johnson would also be the lead in obtaining other natural resources permits, if needed.

Luke Hiserman: Luke Hiserman is an Assistant Planner who has over three (3) years of experience in the environmental field. Mr. Hiserman has an interdisciplinary background with experience in marine research and coastal management, water resource projects, and community engagement. His responsibilities at DD&A include the preparation of environmental documentation, providing comprehensive quality assurance and quality control, research, data analysis, air quality analysis, and graphics.

Role: Mr. Hiserman will contribute substantially to the preparation of the environmental documentation and CDP Application. Mr. Hiserman will support Project Managers with ongoing Project coordination, preparation of the key CEQA requirements and CDP materials, and finalization of other key deliverables, as necessary. Additionally, Mr. Hiserman will prepare the Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Memorandum for the Proposed Project.

SCOPE OF WORK

DD&A prepared this scope of work based on correspondence with MPWMD and DD&A's experience working on various projects in FODSP. DD&A will provide planning and environmental services for the Proposed Project. Specifically, DD&A's proposed services include environmental documentation preparation, CDP permit preparation, agency coordination, and Project management support. This scope of work includes the following tasks: 1) Project Initiation; 2) Technical Report Preparation; 3.) Environmental Document Preparation; 4.) CDP Permit Acquisition; 5) Other Regulatory Permit Assessment; 6) Project Management; and 7) Meetings.

PROJECT APPROACH

DD&A's approach to the Proposed Project will be twofold consisting of 1) preparation of environmental documentation in compliance with CEQA; and 2) preparation of applications and documentation for the acquisition of necessary permits, including a CDP. Specifically, DD&A's approach will consist of the following actions:

- Regular coordination with MPWMD, MPWMD's engineering consultant, and other agencies and consultants as necessary to identify key Project issues and constraints early in the environmental review process.
- Preparation of technical reports on key topical resource areas (i.e., air quality and biological resources).
- Identification of important technical issues (including environmental, processing, and other Project constraints) and strategies to address said issues.
- Early coordination on the CEQA document with MPWMD and others as appropriate to ensure all parties have a common understanding of the CEQA process, Project schedule, and requirements.

Task 1. Project Initiation:

This task consists of initial review of the Proposed Project and consultation with MPWMD and other team members. The purpose of this task is to: 1) collect and review relevant background information related to the Proposed Project site; 2) conduct a preliminary site visit; 3) confirm expectations related to specific deliverables, format of products, level of detail required, staff assignments and roles, and appropriate paths of communication; and 4) discuss critical milestones and finalize the schedule.

DD&A will review the gathered data and use it to develop a comprehensive picture of the physical, technical, and environmental resources that may be affected by the Proposed Project. As part of this task, DD&A will review all existing environmental documentation and data in the vicinity of the Proposed Project location. This task will include one (1) virtual team meeting with MPWMD and DD&A, and other relevant team members to confirm responsibilities and set key milestones. DD&A will coordinate early with relevant responsible agencies including State Parks, the Coastal Commission, and other regulatory agencies.

Task 2. Technical Reports:

DD&A will evaluate the environmental conditions at the Project site and within the local vicinity to determine the environmental baseline for impact findings in the IS/MND. Under this scope of work, DD&A will prepare technical memoranda and/or reports evaluating air quality and greenhouse gases and biological resources.

Additionally, DD&A will support Tribal consultation efforts required by Assembly Bill (“AB”) 52. If a Cultural Resources Report is necessary, DD&A will retain a cultural subconsultant (please see **Task 2e** below). DD&A assumes that MPWMD will provide the appropriate technical documentation to discuss and evaluate all remaining resources sections (e.g., geotechnical, hydrology).

Task 2a. Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Memorandum: DD&A will perform air quality and greenhouse gas modeling for the Proposed Project. DD&A will summarize emissions data determined using the California Emissions Estimator Model (“CalEEMod”) in the Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions sections of the IS/MND. DD&A will evaluate potential air quality related impacts due to construction and operational activities using the baselines established by the Monterey Bay Air Resources District (“MBARD”). A short memorandum will summarize the results of this analysis. As needed, DD&A will supplement the current air quality and greenhouse gas analysis with evaluation of checklist requirements or update for any revisions to the Proposed Project based upon the current site plan.

Task 2b. Biological Resources Report: As part of this task, DD&A will perform the following actions based on conversations and materials generated with the Project team and knowledge of the natural resources and regulatory requirements in the vicinity. The purpose of this work is to provide an analysis of existing biological resources within the Project site, an assessment of potential biological resource impacts, and as necessary, associated mitigation to reduce impacts. This scope of work includes the following tasks: 1) Pre-Survey Research; 2) Field Review and Data Collection; and 3) Preparation of a Biological Resources Report.¹

1. DD&A will conduct pre-survey research utilizing available resources including the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (“CDFW”) California Natural Diversity Database, California Native Plant Society lists, local experts, and other relevant published and unpublished materials.
2. DD&A biologists will visit the site to assess the environmental conditions of the site and its surroundings. The field review will include the evaluation and mapping of general and sensitive habitat features and identification of the presence or potential presence of sensitive biological resources within the Project site and the local vicinity. This scope does not include focused botanical surveys, protocol wildlife surveys, or a formal wetland delineation. DD&A is available to conduct these additional surveys if determined necessary; however, an add-on to the scope would be required.
3. DD&A will prepare a Biological Resources Report, which satisfies the reporting criteria of regulatory agencies. The report will include documentation of the biological resources identified or with the potential to occur within the Project site and local vicinity, and an assessment of potential impacts of the Proposed Project with associated mitigation, as necessary, to reduce impacts. DD&A will submit a draft report to MPWMD for review. DD&A will then revise the report as necessary based on one (1) round of comments received.

Task 2c. Cultural Resources – AB 52: Under Assembly Bill (“AB”) 52, MPWMD, as the lead agency, shall complete Tribal consultation. DD&A will prepare and distribute AB 52 consultation notifications.

DD&A will review existing cultural resources materials to determine if a new Cultural Resources Report is necessary for the Proposed Project. However, if these previous assessments are not available for use by

¹ A scope amendment will be necessary if DD&A biologists determine that the Proposed Project will be subject to permitting and consultation pursuant to the Endangered Species Act and California Endangered Species Act.

MPWMD, DD&A would retain a cultural subconsultant to prepare a Cultural Resources Report. If a Cultural Resources Report is necessary, a contract amendment would be required.

Assumption: DD&A assumes that the Proposed Project can rely on previous cultural resources assessments prepared for previous projects within FODSP.

Task 3. Environmental Documentation:

Task 3a. Administrative Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration: The Administrative Draft IS/MND will describe the Proposed Project and identify and summarize significant impacts and whether they can or cannot be avoided. Additionally, the significance of the impacts after implementation of mitigation measures, where necessary, will be included in the analysis. The Administrative Draft IS/MND will include an analysis of both construction and operational impacts, as appropriate. The Administrative Draft IS/MND will consist of the following components:

1. **Introduction.** This section will indicate that the documentation has been prepared pursuant to CEQA regulations and guidance to evaluate the effects of the Proposed Project.
2. **Project Description.** Description of the Project background, location, elements, and objectives supplemented with graphics to illustrate the proposed improvements. This section will identify characteristics of the Proposed Project and construction details.
3. **Environmental Setting, Impacts, and Mitigation.** Description of the setting for each impact area, evaluation of impacts based on established CEQA thresholds, and identification of mitigation measures for potentially significant impacts.
4. **Graphics.** Preparation of appropriate graphics and tables to present the environmental analysis.
5. **List of Preparers/Resources:** This section will include all cited background information, persons contacted, and individuals, agencies, and businesses that contributed to report preparation.

The IS/MND will address all issue areas identified in the most current version of the CEQA Guidelines, Appendix G as described below:

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| ▪ Aesthetics | ▪ Mineral Resources |
| ▪ Agricultural and Forestry Resources | ▪ Noise |
| ▪ Air Quality | ▪ Population and Housing |
| ▪ Biological Resources | ▪ Public Services |
| ▪ Cultural Resources | ▪ Recreation |
| ▪ Energy | ▪ Transportation |
| ▪ Geology and Soils | ▪ Tribal Cultural Resources |
| ▪ Greenhouse Gas Emissions | ▪ Utilities and Services Systems |
| ▪ Hazards and Hazardous Materials | ▪ Wildfire |
| ▪ Hydrology and Water Quality | ▪ Mandatory Findings of Significance |
| ▪ Land Use and Planning | |

DD&A will revise the Administrative Draft IS/MND based on comments received from the Project team. DD&A will provide an electronic copy of the revised IS/MND to MPWMD for final review and authorization to prepare the Public Draft IS/MND for distribution (Please see **Task 3b** below).

Assumption: DD&A assumes no more than one (1) round of comments on the Administrative Draft IS/MND.

Task 3b. Public Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration: As part of this task, DD&A will prepare, file, and distribute the notices required for public circulation, including the Notice of Intent (“NOI”), the Notice of Completion (“NOC”), and Summary Form. DD&A will submit the draft notices to MPWMD for review and comment and will finalize the notices accordingly. DD&A will post the Public Draft IS/MND

and all noticing documents online with the State Clearinghouse (“SCH”). DD&A will also post the NOI with the Monterey County Clerk’s office.

Assumption: DD&A assumes MPWMD will be responsible for local posting at the Project site and distribution, including publishing the NOI in a local newspaper, by email, and on MPWMD’s website.

DD&A will format the Public Draft IS/MND and all notices to comply with Section 508 accessibility requirements, including, but not limited to, adherence to Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (“WCAG”) version 2.1. Formatting will include use of standard fonts, alternate text for all figures and tables, correct nesting of headers, and other requirements.

Assumption: DD&A assumes a maximum of five (5) hours of staff time will be required to complete WCAG compliance checks and fixes of all documents including technical reports and appendices. If additional time is necessary, a contract amendment would be required.

Task 3c. Final Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program: Following the 30-day public review period, DD&A, in consultation with the Project team, will prepare written responses to comments received on the Public Draft IS/MND. The Final IS/MND will include written responses along with any necessary revisions to the document.

DD&A will submit an Administrative Draft Final IS/MND in electronic format to the Project team for review and comment. DD&A will then incorporate comments and prepare and submit the Final IS/MND in electronic format to MPWMD. This task also includes preparation of a Mitigation, Monitoring, and Reporting Program (“MMRP”) and a draft Notice of Determination (“NOD”). DD&A will include the MMRP in the Final IS/MND, in compliance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15091. DD&A will submit a Draft MMRP and Draft NOD to MPWMD for review and comment. DD&A will revise the Administrative Draft Final IS/MND, Draft MMRP, and Draft NOD based on comments received from the Project team.

Assumption: DD&A assumes no more than one (1) round of comments.

DD&A will prepare the Final IS/MND including reproductions of comment letters, the Final MMRP, and Final NOD, in conformance with WCAG 2.1 requirements. Following revisions to the Final IS/MND, MMRP, and NOD, DD&A will file the Final NOD with the SCH and the Monterey County Clerk.

Assumption: This task assumes a maximum of five (5) hours of DD&A staff time will be required to complete WCAG compliance checks and fixes. If additional time is necessary due to issues with source comment letters or receipt of more than 10 comment letters, a contract amendment would be required.

Task 4. Coastal Development Permit:

Under this task, DD&A will provide permitting support in connection with preparation of the CDP for the Proposed Project. Based on previous experience working at FODSP, DD&A understands the Coastal Commission has original jurisdiction over the portions of the former Fort Ord located in the Coastal Zone. DD&A, in consultation with MPWMD, will coordinate with State Parks and the Coastal Commission. Below are the specific subtasks DD&A will perform as part of this task.

Task 4a. Administrative Draft CDP Application: As part of this task, DD&A will work closely with MPWMD, State Parks, and the Coastal Commission to compile necessary information for the CDP Application. DD&A will prepare an Administrative Draft CDP Application based on the available information and the Coastal Commission’s CDP requirements. DD&A will submit a copy of the Administrative Draft CDP Application, including all supporting materials, to MPWMD for initial review.

Assumption: DD&A assumes one (1) round of comments on the Administrative Draft CDP Application.

Task 4b. Final CDP Application: DD&A will revise the Administrative Draft CDP Application to incorporate final comments. DD&A will then prepare the Final CDP Application for submittal to the Coastal Commission. DD&A will conduct a final review of the CDP Application materials and background documents prior to formal submittal (please see **Task 4c**) to ensure the application contents are consistent with applicable requirements.

Task 4c. Application Submittal & Completeness Review: As part of this task, DD&A will schedule a formal meeting with Coastal Commission staff to submit the CDP Application. DD&A will submit the application and provide a comprehensive overview of the Proposed Project to Coastal Commission staff. Following formal application submittal, the Coastal Commission will have 30 days to determine whether the application is “complete.” If the Coastal Commission deems the application “incomplete,” the Coastal Commission will identify additional information required to proceed and DD&A will coordinate and provide additional information accordingly. Please note that, depending on the nature of potential requests, a contract amendment may be necessary.

Assumption: DD&A assumes we will attend one (1) meeting with Coastal Commission staff.

Assumption: DD&A assumes we will attend one (1) Coastal Commission hearing, if determined necessary by MPWMD. DD&A assumes the hearing will be held locally or that a virtual option is available. If the hearing is not local and a virtual option is not available, a contract amendment would be required.

Task 4d. Agency Coordination/Liaison: DD&A will regularly communicate with MPWMD, State Parks, and the Coastal Commission to ensure timely processing of the CDP permit. Additionally, DD&A will respond to any supplemental requests for information. Please note that depending on the nature of potential requests, a contract amendment may be necessary.

Task 5. Other Regulatory Permit Assessment:

DD&A will review Project materials and coordinate with the Project team and our in-house permit specialist to develop a comprehensive list of required regulatory permits. This task may include communication with regulatory agency staff to inform and confirm permitting needs for the Proposed Project. The result of this task will be the delivery of a permitting needs memorandum that will include a list of permits required for the Proposed Project, schedule for the preparation and acquisition of the permits, and major technical support documentation for inclusion for the primary applications. The permitting memorandum will also address all pertinent local ordinances and limitations in place that could affect permitting. This scope does not include the preparation of permit applications. If additional permits are necessary, a contract amendment would be required.

Task 6. Project Management:

DD&A will provide Project management services and routine coordination with MPWMD throughout the duration of the Proposed Project to ensure that key deliverables are completed on schedule and within the contract amount. As part of this task, DD&A will prepare a tracking matrix that includes the status of key action items, address all aspects of scheduling resources, and handle team communication.

Task 7. Meetings:

As part of this task, DD&A will participate in up to 10 meetings and conference calls with MPWMD and other team members, as determined necessary. If requested, DD&A can be available to participate in additional meetings, which would be billed on a T&M basis upon authorization by the Client.

COST ESTIMATE

The tasks required to complete the IS/MND and permitting processes have been outlined in the Scope of Work section of this proposal. The Proposed Project will be billed on a fixed-fee basis by task, as shown in the attached budget. The budget reflects a not-to-exceed amount of \$110,009.

SCHEDULE

The following provides a general overview of the anticipated Project schedule. Please note that this schedule is conceptual in nature and is subject to change based on a variety of factors outside of the control of DD&A (e.g., MPWMD reviews, processing timelines and staffing, development of plans, etc.). DD&A expects that the Administrative Draft IS/MND and all technical reports will be completed approximately 12 weeks after confirmation that all necessary project information has been received. Following final review of the Administrative Draft IS/MND by MPWMD, DD&A will prepare a Public Draft IS/MND within two (2) weeks. Depending on the nature of public comments received on the Public Draft IS/MND, DD&A in coordination with MPWMD will provide MPWMD with an Administrative Draft Final IS/MND and MMRP within four (4) weeks.

The timing of the CDP Application will be determined in coordination with MPWMD, State Parks, and the Coastal Commission. As such, DD&A will provide MPWMD with an updated schedule that reflect the next steps necessary for the Proposed Project following early coordination with State Parks and the Coastal Commission as outlined in **Task 1** above.

Attachment A
DD&A, Inc. Cost Breakdown
for the
Monterey Peninsular Water Management District - Coastal Monitoring Well Project Scope and Budget

Task		Subtask	Cost Per Task
1	Project Initiation		6,116
2	Technical Reports		17,579
2a	Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Memorandum	4,018	
2b	Biological Resources Report	10,952	
2c	Cultural Resources - AB 52	2,609	
3	Environmental Documentation		39,018
3a	Administrative Draft IS/MND	17,367	
3b	Public Draft IS/MND	8,962	
3c	Final IS/MND and MMRP	12,689	
4	Coastal Development Permit		29,286
4a	Administrative Draft CDP Application	14,607	
4b	Final CDP Application	3,464	
4c	Application Submittal & Completeness Review	4,054	
4d	Agency Coordination/Liaison	7,161	
5	Other Regulatory Permit Assessment	4,725	4,725
6	Project Management	7,412	4,725
7	Meetings	4,723	4,725
Total Labor			\$ 108,859
Expenses			\$ 1,000
	Equipment (GPS)	\$ 500	
	Mileage (at current IRS mileage rate)	\$ 250	
	Miscellaneous (copies, phone, fax, cellular, postage, courier, etc.)	\$ 250	
Subtotal			\$ 1,000
Administration Fee			\$ 150
Total Budget			\$ 110,009

ATTACHMENT B AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED



Note: If the scope and fee described in the Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. attached proposal are acceptable, please sign and return a copy of this authorization form for our files. The signature below also serves as acceptance of Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. Standard Terms and Conditions, attached. Thank you.

Project Name: _____

Accepted by (signature): _____ **Dated:** _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

On Behalf of: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____

Fee/Scope Confirmation: _____

Existing Contract Date, if applicable: _____

If invoice should be sent to a different person or location, please complete below:

Mailing Address: _____

Attention: _____

Return to: Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc.
947 Cass Street, Suite 5
Monterey, CA 93940

Or email: mechevarria@ddaplanning.com

ATTACHMENT C
DENISE DUFFY & ASSOCIATES, Inc.
STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Invoices	Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. will submit progress invoices to Client at least as frequently as monthly and a final bill upon completion of services. Each invoice is due on presentation and is past due thirty (30) days from invoice date. Client agrees to pay a finance charge equal to 1.5% on undisputed past-due accounts.								
Workers' Compensation Insurance	Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. is protected by Worker's Compensation Insurance as required by applicable state law. Proof of insurance will be provided to Client upon request.								
General Liability Insurance and Limitation	Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. is covered by, and agrees to maintain, general liability insurance for bodily injury and property damage arising directly from its negligent acts or omissions, with limits as specified below. Certificates of insurance shall be provided to Client upon request. Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or liability beyond the amounts, limits and conditions of such insurance as noted below. Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or liability arising from any act or omission by Client, its agents, staff; other consultants, independent contractors, third parties or others working on the project that have not been hired by Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. and over which Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. has no supervision or control. <table> <tr> <th><u>COVERAGES</u></th><th><u>LIMITS OF LIABILITY</u></th></tr> <tr> <td><u>General Liability</u> (Including Bodily Injury, Property Damage and Contractual Liability)</td><td>\$1,000,000 each Occurrence \$2,000,000 Aggregate</td></tr> <tr> <td><u>Automobile Liability</u> (Including Bodily Injury and Property Damage)</td><td>\$1,000,000 each Occurrence</td></tr> <tr> <td><u>Professional Liability</u></td><td>\$1,000,000 each Occurrence \$1,000,000 Aggregate</td></tr> </table>	<u>COVERAGES</u>	<u>LIMITS OF LIABILITY</u>	<u>General Liability</u> (Including Bodily Injury, Property Damage and Contractual Liability)	\$1,000,000 each Occurrence \$2,000,000 Aggregate	<u>Automobile Liability</u> (Including Bodily Injury and Property Damage)	\$1,000,000 each Occurrence	<u>Professional Liability</u>	\$1,000,000 each Occurrence \$1,000,000 Aggregate
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Termination	This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon seven (7) days written notice in the event of substantial failure of performance by the other party or if the Client suspends the work for more than three (3) months. In the event of termination, Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. shall be paid for the services performed prior to the termination notice date plus reasonable termination expenses, including the cost of completing analysis, records and reports necessary to document job status at the time of termination.								
Fees	Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. agrees to provide services covered by this Agreement on a time and material basis. If the project requirements expand beyond the scope of services covered by this Agreement, an additional Service Agreement or a written addendum to this Agreement shall be entered into to cover the revised scope and fee. Should Client authorize a revision in the scope of services without a revision to this agreement, Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. shall be compensated for the services actually performed.								

Notices	Communications from the Client shall be to Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. designated Project Manager or to the Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. Principal-in-Charge of the project. Verbal communications shall be confirmed in writing.
Disputes	If a dispute arises regarding the performance of the services covered by this Agreement, and legal or other costs are incurred, it is agreed that the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover all reasonable costs incurred in the defense of the claim, including staff time at current billing rates, court costs, attorney's fees, and other claim-related expenses.
Indemnification	Client and Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. each agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the other (Indemnitor and Indemnitee), and their respective officers, directors, partners, authorized agents and employees from and against any damages, losses, liabilities, judgments, settlements, expenses, and costs (including reasonable and necessary attorneys' fees, costs and expenses), arising out of the death or bodily injury to any person or destruction or damage to any property, to the extent caused by the Indemnitor's negligent acts, errors or omissions, or willful misconduct in the performance of services under this Agreement and anyone for whom the Indemnitor is legally liable. Indemnitor shall only be required to reimburse Indemnitee for its reasonable defense fees and costs, including reasonable attorney's fees, costs and expenses, in direct proportion to Indemnitor's negligence on a percentage basis as ultimately determined by a court of competent jurisdiction and further, only to the extent such fees and costs were directly attributable to Indemnitee's defense of a suit based on Indemnitor's actual negligence. The Indemnitor is not obligated to indemnify the Indemnitee for the Indemnitee's own negligence or willful misconduct
Entire Agreement	These General Conditions shall be used in combination with a Service Agreement, a proposal, or a contract. These combined documents shall be the entire Agreement and shall supersede any other agreement between Client and Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. relating to the subject matter. In case of conflict or inconsistency between these General Conditions and any other contract documents, the stricter provisions shall control.

ATTACHMENT D

STAFF RESUMES



Tyler Potter

J.D., M.A., AICP
Project Director

Education

Juris Doctorate, Santa Barbara College of Law
(Highest Honors)
Master of Arts, International Environmental
Policy, Middlebury Institute of International
Studies at Monterey ("MIIS")
Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, Minor in
Program in the Environment, University of
Michigan

Registrations and Certifications

State Bar of California (326710)
American Bar Association
American Institute of Certified Planners
Conservation Leadership

Tyler Potter is a professional planner and attorney with over 22 years of planning experience. Mr. Potter's areas of expertise include regulatory compliance, entitlements processing, CEQA/NEPA compliance, public outreach, and project management. Mr. Potter has managed numerous projects for both public and private clientele, ranging from multi-disciplinary CEQA/NEPA analyses to planning and entitlement-related projects, including large-scale infrastructure projects (e.g., water, wastewater, renewable energy). As Project Director, Mr. Potter is responsible for the management of technical report preparation, regulatory agency coordination, subconsultant management, permit acquisition and strategy, QA/QC review, and schedule maintenance.

Select Project Experience

Pure Water Monterey Groundwater Replenishment Project
Expanded Pure Water Monterey/Groundwater Replenishment
Project SEIR Addendum
Aquifer Storage and Recovery Project EIR/EA Addendums #1 – 7
Olivier Street Stormwater Diversion Project
Greenfield Wastewater Treatment Plant
Fort Ord Dunes State Park Campground Project



Oliviya Wyse

Project Manager

Education

Master of Arts, International Environmental
Policy, Middlebury Institute of International
Studies at Monterey ("MIIS")
Bachelor of Science, Marine Science, California
State University Monterey Bay

Registrations and Certifications

Continuing Education, CEQA Practitioner
Certificate, UC San Diego Extension

Professional Affiliations

Association of Environmental Professionals

Oliviya Wyse is a Project Manager. Ms. Wyse earned a Master of Arts Degree in International Environmental Policy at the Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey and has 10 years of experience in the environmental field. Ms. Wyse has worked for both public and private entities. Her responsibilities at DD&A include project management and overseeing preparation of environmental documents; coordination and preparation of permitting applications, environmental compliance tracking; research; and preparation of proposals. Ms. Wyse will serve as Project Manager and will be the main point of contact for MPWMD throughout the Proposed Project.

Select Project Experience

Pure Water Monterey Groundwater Replenishment Project
Coral Street Pump Station Electrical Housing Relocation Project
Olivier Street Stormwater Diversion Project
Lake El Estero Water Diversion Project
Aquifer Storage & Recovery Parallel Pipeline Addendums #6 & 7
Greenfield Wastewater Treatment Plant
Fort Ord Dunes State Park Campground Project



Matt Johnson

Senior Environmental
Scientist/Project Manager

Education

Bachelor of Science, Earth Systems Science and Policy, California State University Monterey Bay
Microsoft Systems Engineer Certification, New Horizons Computer Learning Center

Registrations and Certifications

Trimble Certified GPS Operator
40 Hour HAZWOPER Certification
USFWS Federal Recover Permit (TE-091857-0)
– California tiger salamander and California red-legged frog
CDFW Scientific Collection Permit (SC-007701)
USFWS Approved Bald/Golden Eagle Surveyor

Professional Affiliations

Central Coast Joint Data Committee
Monterey Peninsula Audubon Society

Matthew Johnson has 24 years of experience working in the environmental field. Mr. Johnson currently serves as a Senior Environmental Scientist, Project Manager, and manager of DD&A's Geographic Information Systems ("GIS") department. His responsibilities include project management, rare plant and wildlife surveys, biological monitoring, wetland delineations, riparian habitat assessments, and preparation of biological documentation. Mr. Johnson also holds a CDFW Scientific Collecting Permit allowing for collection and handling of mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and freshwater/terrestrial invertebrates. He is an expert in conducting presence/absence surveys for several special-status species including California tiger salamander, California red-legged frog, Monterey dusky-footed woodrat, California legless lizard, burrowing owl, bald eagle and other protected avian species, sand gilia, and Monterey spineflower. Mr. Johnson has worked on and managed the biological efforts for a variety of project types, including water and wastewater infrastructure, residential and commercial development, and transportation.

Select Project Experience

Pure Water Monterey Groundwater Replenishment Project
Expanded Pure Water Monterey/Groundwater Replenishment Project SEIR Addendum
Marina Coast Water District On-Call
San Jose Water Company Master On-Call Service Agreement
Marina Coast Water District A-Tanks Biological Report
Regional Urban Water Augmentation Project
Ord Village Lift Station Project



Luke Hiserman

Assistant Planner

Education

Master of Marine Affairs, School of Marine and Environmental Affairs, University of Washington.
Bachelor of Arts, Environmental Science, Willamette University

Registrations and Certifications

Continuing Education, CEQA Practitioner Certificate, UC San Diego Extension

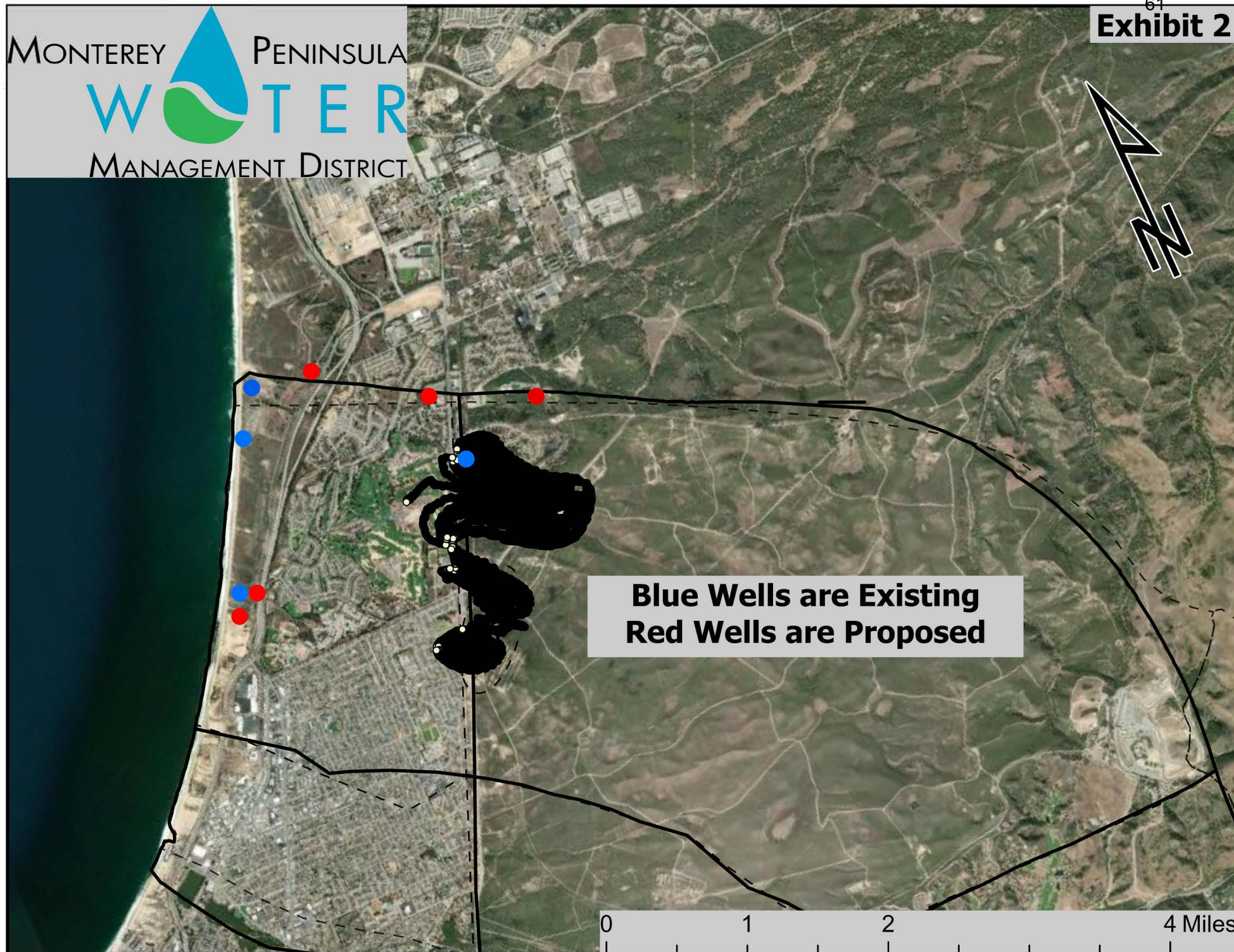
Professional Affiliations

Association of Environmental Professionals

Luke Hiserman is an Assistant Planner who has over three (3) years of experience in the environmental field. Mr. Hiserman has an interdisciplinary background with experience in marine research and coastal management, water resource projects, and community engagement. His responsibilities at DD&A include the preparation of environmental documentation, providing comprehensive quality assurance/quality control, research, data analysis, air quality analyses, and graphics.

Select Project Experience

Soledad Recycled Water Conveyance Project
Moss Landing Water System Consolidation Project
Olivier Street Stormwater Diversion Project
Crestwood Heights Water Association Water System Consolidation Project
Lake El Estero Water Diversion Project
Greenfield Wastewater Treatment Plant
Carmel Lagoon Ecosystem Protection Barrier, Scenic Road Protection Structure, and Interim Sandbar Management Plan
Del Rey Oaks 6th Cycle Housing Element



ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM/STAFF REPORT**10. REPORT ON ACTIVITY/PROGRESS ON CONTRACTS OVER \$25,000**

Meeting Date: July 20, 2026 **Budgeted:** N/A

From: David J. Stoldt,
General Manager **Program/** N/A
Line Item No.:

Prepared By: Nishil Bali **Cost Estimate:** N/A

General Counsel Review: N/A

Committee Recommendation: N/A

CEQA Compliance: This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15378.

SUMMARY: Attached for review as **Exhibit 10-A** is a monthly status report on contracts over \$25,000 for the period May 2026. Contracts associated with District grants are provided in a separate section for reference. This status report is provided for information only, no action is required.

EXHIBIT**10-A Status on District Open Contracts (over \$25k)**

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Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
Status on District Open Contracts and Grants
For The Period May 2026

	Contract	Description	Date Authorized	Contract Amount	Prior Period Expended To Date	Current Period Spending*	Total Expended To Date	Current Period Activity	P.O. Number
1	Shute, Mihaly & Weinberger LLP	LAFCO Litigation	3/17/2025	\$ 355,000.00	\$ 322,466.32	\$ 29,182.34	\$ 351,648.66	Current period billing	PO03882
2	Albert A. Webb Associates	Consultant for Public's Acquisition of Monterey Water System (Cal-Am)	11/18/2024	\$ 1,200,000.00	\$ 117,465.00	\$ -	\$ 117,465.00		PO03880
3	Close and Associates	Utility consultant for Public's Acquisition of Monterey Water System	11/18/2024	\$ 965,000.00	\$ 131,346.33	\$ -	\$ 131,346.33		PO03876
4	TM Process & Controls	ASR Well Turbidity Control	8/19/2024	\$ 57,749.00	\$ 54,390.49	\$ -	\$ 54,390.49		PO03852
5	TJC and Associates	Perform a review of our electrical system, capacity, and provide overall support for the ASR project	6/27/2024	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 8,682.00	\$ -	\$ 8,682.00		PO03829
8	Montgomery & Associates	Groundwater Modeling Montgomery Contract	6/27/2024	\$ 55,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		PO03750
9	Colantuono, Highsmith, & Whatley, PC	MTA Legal services for appeal to Water Supply Charge	9/15/2021	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 97,222.22	\$ -	\$ 97,222.22		PO03715
10	Rutan & Tucker, LLP	Measure J/Rule 19.8 Eminent Domain Phase IV	2/24/2023	\$ 450,000.00	\$ 376,089.06	\$ -	\$ 376,089.06		PO03639
11	Raftelis Financial Consultants	Measure J/Rule 19.8 Appraisal/Rate Study Phase 4	8/21/2023	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 33,415.00	\$ 2,775.00	\$ 36,190.00	Current period billing	PO03491
12	Schaaf & Wheeler	Drawing Support Services	4/23/2023	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 29,425.00	\$ -	\$ 29,425.00		PO03474
13	Maggiora Bros. Drilling, Inc	ASR Support from Maggiora Bros for Well Work	6/20/2023	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		PO03407
14	Pueblo Water Resources, Inc.	ASR Operations Support	6/20/2023	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 1,997.50	\$ -	\$ 1,997.50		PO03406
15	Montgomery & Associates	Tularcitos ASR Feasibility Study	3/20/2023	\$ 119,200.00	\$ 112,296.00	\$ -	\$ 112,296.00		PO03368
16	Kevin Robert Knapp/ Tierra Plan LLC	Surface Water Data Portal	11/14/2022	\$ 27,730.00	\$ 27,400.81	\$ -	\$ 27,400.81		PO03302
17	Montgomery & Associates	Annual Groundwater Modeling Support	6/20/2022	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 37,929.00	\$ -	\$ 37,929.00		PO03193
19	Pueblo Water Resources, Inc.	Seaside Groundwater Basin Geochemical Study	1/24/2018	\$ 68,679.00	\$ 57,168.85	\$ -	\$ 57,168.85		PO01628
20	Pueblo Water Resources, Inc.	SSAP Water Quality Study	8/21/2017	\$ 94,437.70	\$ 47,282.61	\$ -	\$ 47,282.61		PO01510
21	CSC	Recording Fees	7/1/2025	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ -	\$ 40,000.00		PO03957
22	The Ferguson Group LLC	Contract for Legislative Services for FY 2025-2026	7/1/2025	\$ 75,600.00	\$ 63,000.00	\$ 6,300.00	\$ 69,300.00	Current period billing	PO03979
23	John K. Cohan dba Telemetry	Consultant Services for Sleepy Hollow Facility 25-26	7/1/2025	\$ 35,408.00	\$ -	\$ 11,364.12	\$ 11,364.12	Current period billing	PO03974
24	WellmanAD	Public Outreach Consultant 2025-2026	7/1/2025	\$ 94,500.00	\$ 78,750.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 87,250.00	Current period billing	PO03965
25	Lynx Technologies, Inc	GIS Consultant Contract for 2025-2026	7/1/2025	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 33,825.00	\$ -	\$ 33,825.00		PO03938
26	JEA & Associates	Legislative and Administrative Services 25-26	7/1/2025	\$ 54,000.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 49,500.00	Current period billing	PO03890
27	Kennedy/Jenks Consultants, Inc.	Urban Water Management Plan Services	7/1/2025	\$ 134,860.00	\$ 68,034.02	\$ -	\$ 68,034.02		PO04025
28	Deveera Inc	IT Managed Services & Subscriptions	7/2/2025	\$ 95,500.00	\$ 79,633.26	\$ 7,720.99	\$ 87,354.25	Current period billing	PO03982
29	RWG Law	California Coastal Commission and Cal-Am Case	3/16/2026	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 30,853.44	\$ -	\$ 30,853.44		PO04117
30	IGM Holdings	Budget Suite software	12/2/2025	\$ 52,704.00	\$ -		\$ -		PO04067

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
Status on District Open Contracts and Grants
For The Period May 2026

Contract		Description	Date Authorized	Contract Amount	Prior Period Expended To Date	Current Period Spending*	Total Expended To Date	Current Period Activity	P.O. Number
Contracts related to District Grants									
1	Monterey One Water	PWM ExpansionUrban Community Drought Grant	9/22/2022	\$ 11,935,206.00	\$ 10,741,685.28	\$ -	\$ 10,741,685.28		PO03726
2	DUDEK	Grant administration services for the Proposition 1 IRWM Implementation	12/14/2020	\$ 114,960.00	\$ 74,288.75	\$ 736.25	\$ 75,025.00		PO02847
3	DUDEK	IRWM IR2 Grant Administration	10/1/2022	\$ 90,510.00	\$ 20,872.50	\$ -	\$ 20,872.50		PO03718
4	City of Sand City	IRWM Round 1 Grant Reimbursement	3/28/2022	\$ 1,084,322.50	\$ 81,870.00	\$ 1,558.75	\$ 83,428.75		PO03093
5	County of Monterey	IRWM Grant Round 2 Reimbursement	5/19/2023	\$ 898,451.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		PO03879
6	City of Monterey	IRWM Grant Round 2 Reimbursement	5/19/2023	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 85,767.60	\$ -	\$ 85,767.60		PO03878

ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM/STAFF REPORT**11. STATUS REPORT ON EXPENDITURES – PUBLIC’S OWNERSHIP OF MONTEREY WATER SYSTEM**

Meeting Date:	July 20, 2026	Budgeted:	N/A
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From:	David J. Stoldt, General Manager	Program/ Line Item No.:	N/A
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Prepared By:	Nishil Bali	Cost Estimate:	N/A
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General Counsel Review: N/A**Committee Recommendation: N/A**

CEQA Compliance: This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15378.

SUMMARY: Attached for review as **Exhibit 11-A** is a monthly status report on spending – Public’s Ownership of Monterey Water System for the period May 2025. This status report is provided for information only; no action is required.

EXHIBIT**11-A Status Report on Spending – Public’s Ownership of Monterey Water System**

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Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
Status on Public's Ownership of Monterey Water System - Phase IV
Eminent Domain Proceedings through Bench Trial
Through May 2026

	Contract	Date Authorized	Authorized Amount	Prior Period Spending	Current Period Spending	Total Expended To Date	Spending Remaining	Project No.
1	Eminent Domain Legal Counsel (Rutan)	12/16/2024	\$ 450,000.00	\$ 373,314.06	\$ 2,775.00	\$ 376,089.06	\$ 73,910.94	PA00009-01
2	Eminent Domain Legal Counsel (SMW)*	3/17/2025	\$ 355,000.00	\$ 322,098.29	\$ 29,182.34	\$ 351,280.63	\$ 3,719.37	PA00009-02
3	Financial Services (Raftelis)	8/21/2023	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 36,190.00		\$ 36,190.00	\$ 163,810.00	PA00009-03
5	Utility Consultant (Close & Associates)	12/16/2024	\$ 965,000.00	\$ 131,346.33		\$ 131,346.33	\$ 833,653.67	PA00009-07
6	Consulting Civil Engineer (Webb Associates)	11/18/2024	\$ 1,200,000.00	\$ 117,465.00		\$ 117,465.00	\$ 1,082,535.00	PA00009-07
	Total		\$ 3,170,000.00	\$ 980,413.68	\$ 31,957.34	\$ 1,012,371.02	\$ 2,157,628.98	

	District Legal Counsel		\$ 120,000.00	\$ 126,274.51	\$ 3,120.00	\$ 129,394.51	\$ (9,394.51)	PA00009-05
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Status on Public's Ownership of Monterey Water System - Phase III
Appraisal through Resolution of Necessity
Through October 2023

	Contract	Date Authorized	Authorized Amount	Prior Period Spending	Current Period Spending	Total Expended To Date	Spending Remaining	Project No.
1	Eminent Domain Legal Counsel	12/16/2019	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 98,283.28		\$ 98,283.28	\$ 101,716.72	PA00007-01
2	Appraisal Services	4/17/2023	\$ 220,000.00	\$ 220,000.75		\$ 220,000.75	\$ (0.75)	PA00007-03
3	District Legal Counsel	12/16/2019	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 63,065.50		\$ 63,065.50	\$ 36,934.50	PA00007-05
4	Real Estate Appraiser	8/15/2022	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 53,309.64		\$ 53,309.64	\$ 26,690.36	PA00007-06
6	Water Rights Appraisal	8/15/2022	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 45,490.46		\$ 45,490.46	\$ 29,509.54	PA00007-10
7	Contingency/Miscellaneous	12/16/2019	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	PA00007-20
	Total		\$ 675,000.00	\$ 480,149.63	\$ -	\$ 480,149.63	\$ 194,850.37	

Status on Public's Ownership of Monterey Water System - Phase II
EIR & LAFCO Application
Through September 2022

	Contract	Date Authorized	Authorized Amount	Prior Period Spending	Current Period Spending	Total Expended To Date	Spending Remaining	Project No.
1	Eminent Domain Legal Counsel	9/20/2021	\$ 345,000.00	\$ 168,265.94		\$ 168,265.94	\$ 176,734.06	PA00005-01
2	CEQA Work	12/16/2019	\$ 134,928.00	\$ 134,779.54		\$ 134,779.54	\$ 148.46	PA00005-02
3	Appraisal Services	9/20/2021	\$ 430,000.00	\$ 188,683.75		\$ 188,683.75	\$ 241,316.25	PA00005-03
4	Operations Plan	12/16/2019	\$ 145,000.00	\$ 94,860.00		\$ 94,860.00	\$ 50,140.00	PA00005-04
5	District Legal Counsel	12/16/2019	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 162,254.16		\$ 162,254.16	\$ (122,254.16)	PA00005-05
6	MAI Appraiser	6/15/2020	\$ 170,000.00	\$ 76,032.00		\$ 76,032.00	\$ 93,968.00	PA00005-06
7	Jacobs Engineering	12/16/2019	\$ 87,000.00	\$ 86,977.36		\$ 86,977.36	\$ 22.64	PA00005-07
8	LAFCO Process	11/15/2021	\$ 240,000.00	\$ 217,784.62		\$ 217,784.62	\$ 22,215.38	PA00005-08
9	PSOMAS	9/20/2021	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 25,900.00		\$ 25,900.00	\$ 2,100.00	PA00005-09
10	Contingency/Miscellaneous/Uncommitted	12/16/2019	\$ 289,072.00	\$ 38,707.08		\$ 38,707.08	\$ 250,364.92	PA00005-20
	Total		\$ 1,909,000.00	\$ 1,194,244.45	\$ -	\$ 1,194,244.45	\$ 714,755.55	

1	Measure J CEQA Litigation Legal Services*	12/23/2020	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 140,303.06		\$ 140,303.06	\$ 59,696.94	PA00005-15
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1	Measure J LAFCO Litigation Legal Services*	1/1/2022	\$ 400,000.00	\$ 398,750.20		\$ 398,750.20	\$ 1,249.80	PA00005-16
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Status on Public's Ownership of Monterey Water System - Phase I
Financial Feasibility
Through November 2019

	Contract	Date Authorized	Authorized Amount	Prior Period Spending	Current Period Spending	Total Expended To Date	Spending Remaining	Project No.
1	Eminent Domain Legal Counsel	12/17/2018	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 160,998.16		\$ 160,998.16	\$ (60,998.16)	PA00002-01
2	Investment Banking Services	2/21/2019	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 27,000.00		\$ 27,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	PA00002-02
3	Valuation & Cost of Service Study Consultant	2/21/2019	\$ 355,000.00	\$ 286,965.17		\$ 286,965.17	\$ 68,034.83	PA00002-03
4	Investor Owned Utility Consultant	2/21/2019	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 84,221.69		\$ 84,221.69	\$ 15,778.31	PA00002-04
5	District Legal Counsel		\$ 35,000.00	\$ 41,897.59		\$ 41,897.59	\$ (6,897.59)	PA00002-05
6	Contingency/Miscellaneous		\$ 30,000.00	\$ 45,495.95		\$ 45,495.95	\$ (15,495.95)	PA00002-10
	Total		\$ 650,000.00	\$ 646,578.56	\$ -	\$ 646,578.56	\$ 3,421.44	

* Amount amended to match totals for PO03882 with Shute Mihaly & Weinberger for LAFCO Litigation as stated in the Contracts Report

ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM/STAFF REPORT**12. LETTERS RECEIVED AND SENT****Meeting Date:** July 20, 2026 **Budgeted:** N/A**From:** David J. Stoldt,
General Manager **Program/** N/A
Line Item No.:**Prepared By:** Sara Reyes **Cost Estimate:** N/A**General Counsel Review:** N/A**Committee Recommendation:** N/A**CEQA Compliance:** This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15378.

The letters listed below were sent to and/or received by the Board Chair and/or General Manager from June 15 through July 15, 2026. These letters are included in the Board meeting packet to provide transparency for the Board and the public.

Copies are available for review at the District office; reproduction fees may apply.

Digital versions are also available on the District's website at www.mpwmd.net.

Author	Addressee	Date	Topic
Khalida Sarwari	Dave Stoldt	7/13/26	Press Release: Governor Newsom Signs Laird Bill to Strengthen Water Conservation on the Monterey Peninsula
Barbara Buikema	Dave Stoldt	6/9/26	Request for Inclusion of CAWD Facilities in CEQA Scoping and Impact Analysis – Los Padres Dam and Reservoir Project
Dale Byrne	Dave Stoldt	6/13/26	Request for Formal Written Policy Guidance on Future Water Allocations

ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM/STAFF REPORT**13. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Meeting Date:	July 20, 2026	Budgeted:	N/A
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From:	David J. Stoldt, General Manager	Program/ Line Item No.:	N/A
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Prepared By:	Sara Reyes	Cost Estimate:	N/A
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General Counsel Review: N/A**Committee Recommendation: N/A**

CEQA Compliance: This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15378.

The final minutes of the committee meetings listed below are submitted for review.

EXHIBITS

13-A MPWMD Public Outreach Committee Meeting of April 27, 2026



EXHIBIT 13-A

**Final Minutes
Public Outreach Committee Meeting
Monday, April 27, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.
Meeting Location: Zoom**

Call to Order / Roll Call

Chair Lindor called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

Committee Members Present

Rebecca Lindor, Chair
Alvin Edwards
Marianne Gawain

Committee Members Absent

None

District Staff Members Present

Dave Stoldt, General Manager
Mike McCullough, Assistant General Manager
Stephanie Locke, Water Demand Manager
Sara Reyes, Board Clerk

District Counsel Present

Michael Laredo, De Lay & Laredo

Additions and Corrections to the Agenda

None

Comments from the Public

Chair Lindor opened the Public Comment period; however, no comments were received.

Action Items

Chair Lindor introduced the item.

1. Consider Adoption of Committee Meeting Minutes from February 24, 2026

On a motion by Gawain and seconded by Edwards, the minutes of the February 24, 2026, committee meeting were approved on a roll call vote of 3 Ayes (Edwards, Gawain and Lindor), and 0 Noes.

Discussion Items

Chair Lindor introduced the item.

2. Status of Public Outreach Projects

Phil Wellman, Public Outreach Consultant with WellmanAd, presented a slide deck titled, *MPWMD Public Outreach Report (February 25 to April 27)*. The presentation can be found on the District website.

Mr. Wellman reported on recent outreach activities and performance metrics, including the following:

- E-newsletters: Reported strong engagement (approx. 20,500 delivered; 31–34% open rates; 116–129 clicks), including issues featuring Steelhead, Fix a Leak Week, and the Annual Report.
- Mulch Madness (March 26): 212 vehicles; 700 bags; 75 truckloads distributed.
- Earth Day: Free hose-nozzle giveaway; 256 distributed, with additional distribution planned at upcoming events.
- Annual Report: 20,000 copies inserted in the *Monterey County Weekly* (April 23) and distributed via email; staff relayed positive feedback from the Weekly's publisher.
- NPR underwriting: Announced a six-month agreement beginning May 1 (66 fifteen-second spots/month) at a cost of a little under \$2,000/month.

Stephanie Kister provided an overview of planned content for the Summer Splash campaign launching July 1, themed “Global Water Use.” The campaign will focus on virtual water and water footprint concepts, emphasizing water use across agriculture, industry, and energy production, and the impact of consumer choices. Planned content includes a video on water use in data centers/AI and the return of a water footprint calculator/quiz. Ms. Kister noted that prizes will be similar to last year with minor adjustments and invited Committee input.

Phil Wellman announced a joint project with Monterey One Water to produce a documentary, *Secure the Future*, highlighting the development of Pure Water Monterey and efforts to restore the Carmel River. The film is expected to be completed by October. He also noted that filming has begun, including recent shoots along the Carmel River and at Pure Water Monterey facilities, with project costs to be shared through Monterey One Water.

3. Update on Activities to Date

Assistant General Manager Mike McCullough reported on recent community outreach and visibility efforts. He highlighted meetings with Del Monte Center representatives to address compliance issues, noting positive collaboration with staff. He also described a recent briefing with Naval Support and Presidio leadership to educate them on the District's role, which was well received. Additionally, Mr. McCullough noted his attendance at an April State Water Board meeting, emphasizing the importance of maintaining a visible presence with state officials.

4. Update on Citizens' Water Panel

Mike McCullough provided an update on the Citizens Water Panel. Board members were reminded to submit their appointees by May 10, with several already received and a reminder planned for May 1. Stakeholder statements of intent will also be reviewed on May 10. Once panel members are finalized, staff will develop an educational program aimed at informing participants and expanding community awareness of District initiatives. Mr. McCullough expressed enthusiasm for the panel and broader outreach efforts.

Suggest Items to Be Placed on a Future Agenda

No items were received.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Lindor adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

/s/ Sara Reyes

Sara Reyes, Board Clerk to the
MPWMD Public Outreach Committee

Approved by the MPWMD Public Outreach Committee on June 29, 2026.
Received by the MPWMD Board of Director's on July 20, 2026.

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ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM/STAFF REPORT**14. MONTHLY ALLOCATION REPORT****Meeting Date: July 20, 2026 Budgeted: N/A****From: David J. Stoldt, General Manager Program: N/A Line Item No.:****Prepared By: Kyle Smith Cost Estimate: N/A****General Counsel Review: N/A****Committee Recommendation: N/A****CEQA Compliance: This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines section 15378.**

SUMMARY: On March 1, 2025, the District released the first Allocation of water from Pure Water Monterey (“Pure Water”) via Ordinance No. 197. **Exhibit 14-A** shows the amount of water allocated to each Jurisdiction from Pure Water, the balance of water available by Jurisdiction from the Paralta Well Allocation and Pre-Paralta credits, the amount of “Public Water Credit” remaining, and the quantities of water permitted by Jurisdiction in June 2026 (“changes”), and the balances remaining. The table includes balances for Quail Meadows and Water West, which were specific amounts dedicated to properties located in specific areas of Monterey County.

Exhibit 14-B is the Monthly Entitlement Report which shows water available to Water Entitlement Holders. Entitlements were established by the following ordinances: The Pebble Beach Company (Ordinance Nos. 39 and 109), Hester Hyde Griffin Trust (Ordinance No. 39), J. Lohr Properties Inc. (Ordinance No. 39), the City of Sand City (Ordinance No. 132), Cypress Pacific Investors LLC (Water Distribution System Permit approved September 15, 2014), Malpaso Water Company LLC (Ordinance No. 165), D.B.O. Development No. 30, a California Limited Liability Company (Ordinance No. 166), the City of Pacific Grove (Ordinance No. 168), and the City of Seaside (Ordinance No. 194).

BACKGROUND: The District’s Water Allocation Program, associated resource system supply limits, and Jurisdictional Allocations have been modified by a number of key ordinances. These key ordinances are listed in **Exhibit 14-C**.

EXHIBITS**14-A** Monthly Allocation Report**14-B** Monthly Entitlement Report**14-C** District’s Water Allocation Program Ordinances

EXHIBIT 14-A
MONTHLY ALLOCATION REPORT
Reported in Acre-Feet
For the month of June 2026

Jurisdiction	Pure Water Monterey Allocation Available 3/1/2025	Changes During Period	Balance Remaining	Paralta & Pre-Paralta Water Balance 3/1/2025	Changes During Period	Balance Remaining	Public Credits Balance 3/1/2025	Changes During Period	Balance Remaining	Total Available
Airport District	39.773	0.000	39.773	5.197	0.000	5.197	0.000	0.000	0.000	44.970
Carmel-by-the-Sea	13.106	0.130	12.976	2.479	0.000	2.479	0.182	0.000	0.182	15.637
Del Rey Oaks	5.696	0.180	5.516	0.030	0.000	0.030	0.000	0.000	0.000	5.546
Dept of Defense	27.000	0.000	27.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	27.000
Monterey	141.000	0.000	141.000	0.533	0.000	0.533	3.627	0.000	3.627	145.160
Monterey County	72.000	0.000	72.000	11.016	0.000	11.016	1.181	0.000	1.181	84.197
Pacific Grove	31.949	0.000	31.949	0.019	0.000	0.019	0.002	0.000	0.002	31.970
Sand City	13.857	0.000	13.857	0.029	0.000	0.029	23.163	0.000	23.163	37.049
Seaside	20.939	0.081	20.858	28.184	0.000	28.184	1.144	0.000	1.144	50.186
District Reserve	2,090.169	0.000	2,090.169							2,090.169

Allocation Holder	Water Available	Changes During Period	Total Demand from Water Permits Issued	Remaining Water Available
Quail Meadows	33.000	0.000	32.320	0.680
Water West	12.760	0.000	10.324	2.436

EXHIBIT 14-B
MONTHLY ALLOCATION REPORT
ENTITLEMENTS
Reported in Acre-Feet
For the month of June 2026
Recycled Water Project Entitlements

Entitlement Holder	Entitlement	Changes this Month	Total Demand from Water Permits Issued	Remaining Entitlement/and Water Use Permits Available
Pebble Beach Co. *	183.697	0.000	34.160	151.950
Del Monte Forest Benefited Properties (Pursuant to Ord No. 109)	181.303	0.130	89.407	89.483
Macomber Estates	10.000	0.000	10.000	0.000
Griffin Trust	5.000	0.000	4.829	0.171
CAWD/PBCSD Project Totals	380.000	0.000	138.396	241.604

Entitlement Holder	Entitlement	Changes this Month	Total Demand from Water Permits Issued	Remaining Entitlement/and Water Use Permits Available
City of Sand City	206.000	0.000	21.831	184.169
Malpas Water Company	80.000	0.000	26.525	53.475
D.B.O. Development No. 30	13.950	0.000	3.913	10.037
City of Pacific Grove	38.390	0.074	21.046	17.344
Cypress Pacific	3.170	0.000	3.170	0.000
City of Seaside	10.817	0.000	10.817	0.000

* Increases in the Del Monte Forest Benefited Properties Entitlement will result in reductions in the Pebble Beach Co. Entitlement.

EXHIBIT 14-C

District's Water Allocation Program Ordinances

Ordinance No. 1 was adopted in September 1980 to establish interim municipal water allocations based on existing water use by the jurisdictions. Resolution 81-7 was adopted in April 1981 to modify the interim allocations and incorporate projected water demands through the year 2000. Under the 1981 allocation, Cal-Am's annual production limit was set at 20,000 acre-feet.

Ordinance No. 52 was adopted in December 1990 to implement the District's water allocation program, modify the resource system supply limit, and to temporarily limit new uses of water. As a result of Ordinance No. 52, a moratorium on the issuance of most water permits within the District was established. Adoption of Ordinance No. 52 reduced Cal-Am's annual production limit to 16,744 acre-feet.

Ordinance No. 70 was adopted in June 1993 to modify the resource system supply limit, establish a water allocation for each of the jurisdictions within the District, and end the moratorium on the issuance of water permits. Adoption of Ordinance No. 70 was based on development of the Paralta Well in the Seaside Groundwater Basin and increased Cal-Am's annual production limit to **17,619** acre-feet. More specifically, Ordinance No. 70 allocated 308 acre-feet of water to the jurisdictions and 50 acre-feet to a District Reserve for regional projects with public benefit.

In addition to releasing water from the development of the Paralta Well, Ordinance No. 70 established a "special reserve" of 12.76 acre-feet of water saved by system improvements to the former Water West System when it was purchased and integrated into Cal-Am. This reserve was made available to properties in the former Water West System on a first-come, first-served basis. The ordinance also increased Cal-Am's production limit for savings related to the annexation of the Quail Meadows subdivision.

Ordinance No. 73 was adopted in February 1995 to eliminate the District Reserve and allocate the remaining water equally among the eight jurisdictions. Of the original 50 acre-feet that was allocated to the District Reserve, 34.72 acre-feet remained and was distributed equally (4.34 acre-feet) among the jurisdictions.

Ordinance No. 74 was adopted in March 1995 to allow the reinvestment of toilet retrofit water savings on single-family residential properties. The reinvested retrofit credits must be repaid by the jurisdiction from the next available water allocation and are limited to a maximum of 10 acre-feet. This ordinance sunset in July 1998.

Ordinance No. 75 was adopted in March 1995 to allow the reinvestment of water saved through toilet retrofits and other permanent water savings methods at publicly owned and operated facilities. Fifteen percent of the savings are set aside to meet the District's long-term water conservation goal and the remainder of the savings are credited to the jurisdictions allocation. This ordinance sunset in July 1998.

Ordinance No. 83 was adopted in April 1996 and established an entitlement of 18.6 acre-feet of water to the Quail Meadows subdivision in Carmel Valley for permanently reducing annual water production from the Carmel Valley Alluvial Aquifer at the Quail Lodge golf course.

Ordinance No. 87 was adopted in February 1997 as an urgency ordinance establishing a community benefit allocation for the planned expansion of the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula (CHOMP). Specifically, a special reserve allocation of 19.60 acre-feet of production was created exclusively for the benefit of CHOMP. With this new allocation, Cal-Am's annual production limit was increased to **17,641** acre-feet and the non-Cal-Am annual production limit remained at **3,046** acre-feet.

Ordinance No. 90 was adopted in June 1998 to continue the program allowing the reinvestment of toilet retrofit water savings on single-family residential properties for 90-days following the expiration of Ordinance No. 74. This ordinance sunset in September 1998.

Ordinance No. 91 was adopted in June 1998 to continue the program allowing the reinvestment of water saved through toilet retrofits and other permanent water savings methods at publicly owned and operated facilities.

Ordinance No. 90 and No. 91 were challenged for compliance with CEQA and nullified by the Monterey Superior Court in December 1998.

Ordinance No. 109 was adopted on May 27, 2004, revised Rule 23.5 and adopted additional provisions to facilitate the financing and expansion of the CAWD/PBCSD Recycled Water Project.

Ordinance No. 132 was adopted on January 24, 2008, established a Water Entitlement for Sand City and amended the rules to reflect the process for issuing Water Use Permits.

Ordinance No. 165 was adopted on August 17, 2015, established a Water Entitlement for Malpas Water Company and amended the rules to reflect the process for issuing Water Use Permits.

Ordinance No. 166 was adopted on December 15, 2015, established a Water Entitlement for D.B.O. Development No. 30.

Ordinance No. 168 was adopted on January 27, 2016, established a Water Entitlement for the City of Pacific Grove.

Ordinance No. 194 was adopted on February 12, 2024, established a Water Entitlement for the City of Seaside.

Resolution 2024-13 was adopted October 21, 2024, to authorize use of the District Reserve Allocation to permit unpermitted water fixtures found on final inspections during a one-year "amnesty" period used to close certain older "open" Water Permits.

Ordinance No. 197 was adopted January 27, 2025, to allocate water from Pure Water Monterey.

ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM/STAFF REPORT

15. WATER EFFICIENCY PROGRAM REPORT

Meeting Date:	July 20, 2026	Budgeted:	N/A
From:	David J. Stoldt, General Manager	Program/ Line Item No.	N/A
Prepared By:	Tricia Nguyen	Cost Estimate:	N/A

General Counsel Review: N/A

Committee Recommendation: N/A

CEQA Compliance: This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines section 15378.

*The following information reflects activities undertaken by the Water Demand Division during the month of **June 2026**.*

I. MANDATORY WATER CONSERVATION RETROFIT PROGRAM

District Regulation XIV requires the retrofit of water fixtures upon Change of Ownership¹ or Use with High Efficiency Toilets (HET) (1.28 gallons-per-flush), 2.0 gallons-per-minute (gpm) Showerheads, 1.2 gpm Washbasin faucets, 1.8 gpm Kitchen Sink, Utility Sink, and Bar Sink faucets, and Rain Sensors on all automatic Irrigation Systems. Property owners must certify the Site meets the District's water efficiency standards by submitting a Water Conservation Certification Form (WCC) and a self-certification form. A Site inspection is occasionally conducted to verify compliance. Properties that do not require an inspection are issued a Conservation Certification.

A. Changes of Ownership

Information is obtained monthly from *Realquest.com* on properties transferring ownership within the District. The information is compared against the properties that have submitted WCCs. Details on **115** property transfers that occurred were added to the database.

B. Certification

The District received **45** Water Conservation Certification Forms. Data on ownership, transfer date, and status of water efficiency standard compliance were entered into the database.

C. Verification

Twenty-one properties were verified compliant with Rule 144 (Retrofit Upon Change of Ownership or Use). Of the **21** verifications, **one** property verified compliance by submitting certification forms and/or receipts. District staff completed **34** Site inspections. Of the **34** properties visited, **20 (59%)** passed.

¹ Capitalized terms are defined in [MPWMD Rule 11, Definitions](#).

D. Non-Residential Compliance with Water Efficiency Standards

By January 1, 2014, all Non-Residential properties were required to meet Rule 143, Water Efficiency Standards for Existing Non-Residential Uses. District inspectors performed **3** verification inspections.

As part of the Non-Residential compliance effort, MPWMD notifies California American Water (Cal-Am) of properties with landscaping. Cal-Am staff then schedule an outdoor audit to verify compliance with the Rate Best Management Practices (BMPs). (Compliance with MPWMD's Rule 143 achieves Rate BMP compliance for indoor water uses.) Properties with landscaping must comply with Cal-Am's outdoor Rate BMPs to avoid rates in Division 4 (customers that are not in compliance with Rate BMPs). Rate BMPs are used to determine the appropriate Non-Residential rate division for each customer (there are four different rates based on the amount of irrigated area and compliance/noncompliance with the Rate BMPs).

In June, MPWMD did not refer any properties to Cal-Am for verification of outdoor Rate BMPs.

E. Water Waste Enforcement

The District has a Water Waste Hotline 831-658-5653 or an online form to report Water Waste occurrences at www.mpwmd.net or www.montereywaterinfo.org. There were **four** Water Waste responses during the past month. There were **no** repeated incidents that resulted in a fine.

F. Multi-Family Dwelling Water Efficiency Compliance

By January 1, 2019, all Multi-Family Dwellings (MFD) of four or more units were required to meet Rule 142 retro fit requirements. Property owners had the opportunity certify that their property complied by that deadline. This year District staff began the process of inspecting all MFDs of four or more units to ensure compliance. Property owners and agents acquired conservation devices from the District to assist with meeting compliance with Rule 142.

In June, **10** inspections were conducted. **Five** of those inspections passed; **five** inspections failed because the common laundry clothes washer was not a High Efficiency model.

II. WATER DEMAND MANAGEMENT

A. Permit Processing

District Rule 23 requires a Water Permit application for all properties that propose to expand or modify water use on a Site, including New Construction and Remodels. District staff processed and issued **53** Water Permits, including:

- **Twelve** permits using Water Entitlements (e.g., Pebble Beach Company, Malpasco Water, Sand City). No Public Water Credit accounts were debited.
- **Six** permits using Pure Water Allocation.

- **Three** permits using the District Rule 24-3-A, which allows the addition of a second bathroom to an existing single-bathroom dwelling.
- **Four** Landscape permits; two residential and two non-residential
- Other permits issued, include: **Ten** meter enlargement permits and **15** hydrant meter permits.

B. Permit Compliance

Staff conducted **62** site inspections for current permit compliance during the month of June.

- **Forty three** inspections passed.
- **Nineteen** inspections failed due to unpermitted fixtures.

Staff conducted **5** site inspections for Landscape Water Permit compliance

- Five inspections passed.

C. Notary Services

District staff provided Notary services for **41** customers.

D. Outreach Events

In the month of June, the District participated in the Pebble Beach Community Services Open House where District staff distributed free conservation devices.

E. Rebates

The District processes rebate applications to ensure that only voluntary replacement of higher efficiency devices receives rebates. The comprehensive list of available rebates can be found in [Rule 141](#). Monthly statistics for June 2026 are included.

REBATE PROGRAM SUMMARY		June-2026				2026 YDT		1997 - Present	
I.	<u>Application Summary</u>								
A.	Applications Received	39				262		33,160	
B.	Applications Approved	28				205		26,096	
C.	Single Family Applications	39				211		28,990	
D.	Multi-Family Applications	0				4		1,640	
E.	Non-Residential Applications	0				1		364	
II.	<u>Type of Devices Rebated</u>	Number of Devices	Rebate Paid	Estimated AF	Gallons Saved	Year to Date Number	Year to Date Paid	Year to Date Estimated AF	
A.	High Efficiency Toilet (HET)	7	\$525.00	0.035000	11,405	32	\$2,475.00	0.16000	
B.	Ultra HET			0.000000	0	27	\$3,075.00	0.27000	
C.	Toilet Flapper			0.000000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
D.	High Efficiency Dishwasher	6	\$750.00	0.018000	5,865	30	\$3,750.00	0.09000	
E.	High Efficiency Clothes Washer - Res	16	\$8,000.00	0.257600	83,939	92	\$46,000.00	1.48120	
F.	High Efficiency Clothes Washer - Com			0.000000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
G.	Instant-Access Hot Water System			0.000000	0	2	\$400.00	0.01000	
H.	Zero Use Urinals			0.000000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
I.	Pint Urinals			0.000000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
J.	Cisterns	1	\$55.00	0.000000	0	2	\$359.97	0.00000	
K.	Smart Controllers			0.000000	0	6	\$776.35	0.00000	
L.	Rotating Sprinkler Nozzles			0.000000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
M.	Moisture Sensors			0.000000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
N.	Lawn Removal & Replacement			0.000000			\$0.00	0.00000	
O.	Graywater			0.000000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
P.	Smart Flowmeters	1	\$500.00	0.000000	0	41	\$8,799.00	0.00000	
Q.	Smart Toilet Leak Detectors			0.000000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
III.	<u>TOTALS</u>	31	\$9,830.00	0.310600	101,209	232	\$65,635.32	2.01120	
IV.	<u>TOTALS Since 1997</u>	Paid Since 1997: \$ 6,424,390						250.6	Acre-Feet Per Year Saved Since 1997 (from quantifiable retrofits)

ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/STAFF REPORTS**16. CARMEL RIVER FISHERY REPORT FOR JUNE 2026****Meeting Date: July 20, 2026 Budgeted: N/A****From: David J. Stoldt, General Manager Program/ Line Item No.: N/A****Prepared By: Cory Hamilton Cost Estimate: N/A****General Counsel Review: N/A****Committee Recommendation: N/A****CEQA Compliance: This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15378.**

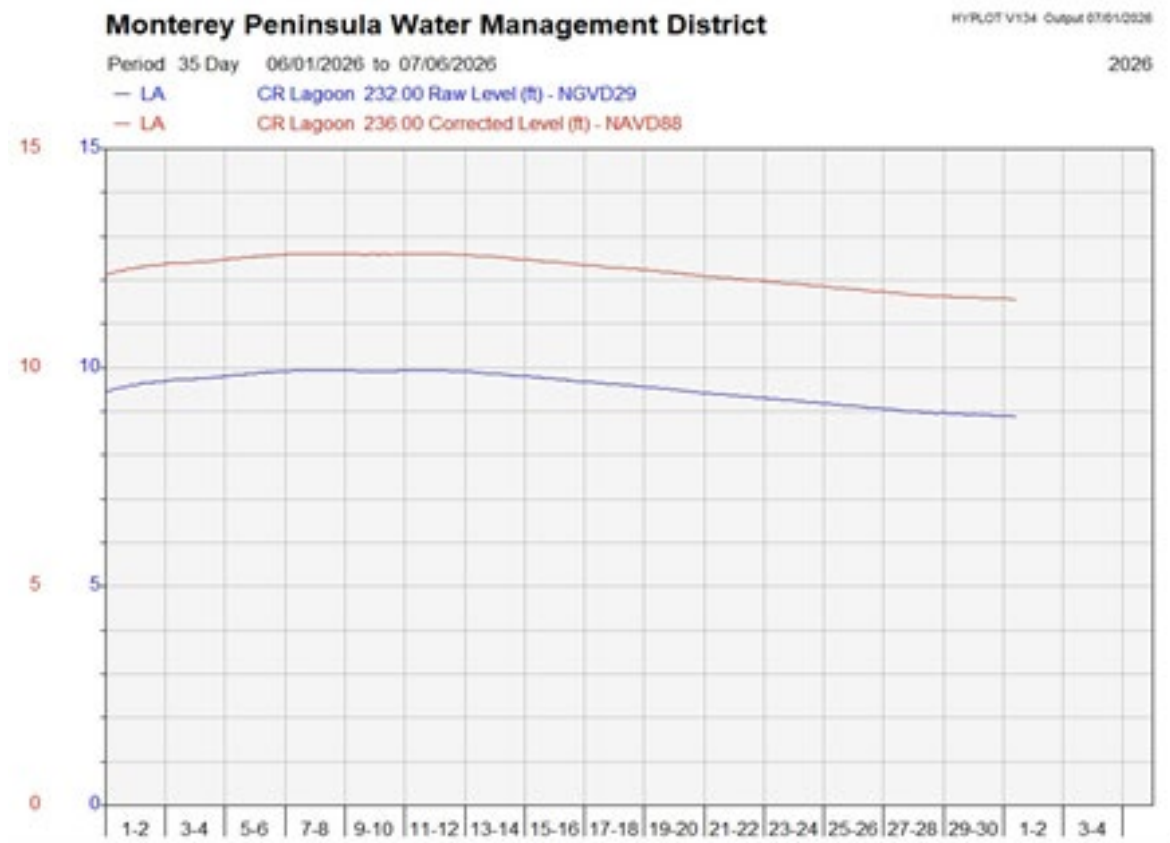
AQUATIC HABITAT AND FLOW CONDITIONS: During June, conditions were dry and only a trace of rain was observed. Flows continuously decreased throughout the month. Decreasing flows diminished habitat conditions for adult fish migration but were adequate for juvenile movement and rearing. The lagoon mouth remained closed naturally for the entire month (see attached graphic). Los Padres Reservoir remains at capacity and spilling for the entire month.

June's mean daily streamflow at the Sleepy Hollow Weir gaging station ranged from 14 to 31 cfs (mean 19.5 cfs), while flows at the Highway 1 gage ranged from 8.4 to 26 cfs (mean 13.7 cfs).

There was 0.03 inches of measurable rainfall in June as recorded at the San Clemente gauge. The total rainfall for Water Year (WY) 2026 (which started October 1, 2025) is 24.29 inches, which is 114% of normal to date.

FISH RESCUE: Staff started fish rescues in select tributaries starting May 11, 2026. Rescue operations occurred in Robinson Canyon Creek, Hitchcock Creek, Garzas and in Cachagua Creek. As of the end of June, a total of 3,028 fish were rescued and relocated to perennial waters of the Carmel River. Staff continue to monitor tributaries as well as the mainstem for dry-back conditions and rescue needs.

CARMEL RIVER LAGOON: In June, the lagoon's Water Surface Elevation (WSE) ranged from approximately 11.6 to 12.1 feet (NGVD 1988) (see graph below). Water quality depth-profiles were conducted at five sites on June 25, 2026, while the lagoon mouth was closed, water surface elevation was 11.62 feet at the time of sampling, and river inflow was approximately 9.4 cfs. The lagoon was well mixed and no stratification was observed, except for the south arms salinity, which was stratified at 2.5 meters. Salinity levels ranged from 0.3-28.8 parts per thousand (ppt), throughout the lagoon. Water temperatures ranged from 65-70 degrees Fahrenheit, and dissolved oxygen (DO) levels ranged from 0.3-6.0 mg/l.



ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM/STAFF REPORT**17. QUARTERLY CARMEL RIVER RIPARIAN CORRIDOR MANAGEMENT PROGRAM REPORT****Meeting Date:** July 20, 2026 **Budgeted:** N/A**From:** Dave Stoldt,
General Manager **Program/** N/A
Line Item No.:**Prepared By:** Thomas Christensen **Cost Estimate:** N/A**General Counsel Review:** N/A**Committee Recommendation:** N/A**CEQA Compliance:** This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15378.

IRRIGATION OF RIPARIAN VEGETATION: The supplemental watering of riparian restoration plantings has resumed for the summer season at three Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (District) riparian habitat restoration sites. The following irrigation systems were in use during June: DeDampierre, Trail and Saddle Club, and Begonia. The other sites had sufficient soil moisture because of recent cool weather.

Water Use in Acre-Feet (AF)
(preliminary values subject to revision)

January - March 2026	0.05 AF
April - June 2026	<u>0.16</u>
Year-to-date	0.21 AF

MONITORING OF RIPARIAN VEGETATION: During the spring season, the District paused the riparian vegetation monitoring program because of cool weather and sufficient soil moisture. The monitoring of soil moisture, groundwater levels, and canopy defoliation (a measure of vegetation moisture stress) will resume in July 2026. During the months of July through October, staff will take monthly measurements of depth to groundwater and canopy vigor in areas where willow and cottonwood trees may be impacted by lowered water levels caused by groundwater extraction. The areas monitored are in the vicinity of California American Water's wells. Monitoring sites include the Cañada well and San Carlos Pump Station area and the District's Valley Hills Restoration Project (next to Cal-Am's Cypress Well) and the Schulte Restoration Project (next to Cal-Am's Schulte Well). The District's monitoring provides insight into the status of soil moisture through the riparian corridor by collecting and analyzing monthly readings from the District's array of monitoring wells and pumping records for large-capacity Carmel Valley wells in the Cal-Am system.

OTHER TASKS PERFORMED SINCE THE APRIL QUARTERLY REPORT:

1. **Carmel River Vegetation Management Project Notification:** On May 29, 2026, District staff notified the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, NOAA Fisheries, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), and the Regional Water Quality Control Board of twelve reaches that are scheduled for vegetation management activities this fall. The goal of the vegetation management activities is to reduce the risk of streambank erosion along riverfront properties where vegetation encroachment could potentially divert river flows into streambanks during high flow periods.
2. **Riparian Irrigation Tune-up:** District staff have been tuning up multiple irrigation systems along the Carmel River that are designed to water new restoration plantings. Tune-ups include replacement of clogged emitters, leak repair, and trouble shooting well pumps and pressure tanks.

ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM/STAFF REPORT**18. MONTHLY WATER SUPPLY AND CALIFORNIA AMERICAN WATER PRODUCTION REPORT**

Meeting Date:	July 20, 2026	Budgeted:	N/A
From:	David J. Stoldt, General Manager	Program/ Line Item No.:	N/A
Prepared By:	Jonathan Lear	Cost Estimate:	N/A

General Counsel Review: N/A**Committee Recommendation:** N/A

CEQA Compliance: Exempt from environmental review per SWRCB Order Nos. 95-10 and 2016-0016, and the Seaside Basin Groundwater Basin adjudication decision, as amended and Section 15268 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, as a ministerial project; Exempt from Section 15307, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Natural Resources.

Exhibit 18-A shows the water supply status for the Monterey Peninsula Water Resources System (MPWRS) as of **July 1, 2026**. This system includes the surface water resources in the Carmel River Basin, the groundwater resources in the Carmel Valley Alluvial Aquifer and the Seaside Groundwater Basin. **Exhibit 18-A** is for Water Year (WY) 2026 and focuses on three factors: rainfall, runoff, and storage. The rainfall and Streamflow values are based on measurements in the upper Carmel River Basin at Sleepy Hollow Weir.

Water Supply Status: Rainfall through **June** 2026 totaled 0.03 **inches** and brings the cumulative rainfall total for WY 2026 to **24.29 inches**, which is **116%** of the long-term average through **June**. Estimated unimpaired runoff through **June** totaled **1,100 acre-feet (AF)** and brings the cumulative runoff total for WY 2026 to **67,268 AF**, which is **82%** of the long-term average through **June**. Usable storage for the MRWPRS was **28,750 acre-feet**, which is **95%** of average through **June**, and equates to **87%** of system capacity.

Production Compliance: Under State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Cease and Desist Order No. 2016-0016 (CDO), California American Water (Cal-Am) is allowed to produce no more than 3,376 AF of water from the Carmel River in WY 2026. Through **June**, using the CDO accounting method, Cal-Am has produced **2,189 AF** from the Carmel River (excluding **241 AF** of Table 13 and **65 AF** of Mal Paso.) In addition, under the Seaside Basin Decision, Cal-Am is allowed to produce 1,474 AF of water from the Coastal Subareas and 0 AF from the Laguna Seca Subarea of the Seaside Basin in WY 2026. Through **June**, Cal-Am has produced **446 AF** from the Seaside Groundwater Basin. Through **June**, **916 AF** of Carmel River Basin groundwater have been diverted for Seaside Basin injection; **0 AF** have been recovered for customer use, **241 AF** have been diverted under Table 13 water rights, and **3,5950 AF** of Pure Water Monterey recovered. Cal-Am has produced **6,592 AF** for customer use from all sources through **June**. **Exhibit 18-B** shows production by source. Some of the values in this report may be revised in the future as Cal-Am finalizes their production values.

EXHIBITS**18-A** Water Supply Status: **July 1, 2026****18-B** Monthly Cal-Am production by source: WY 2026

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EXHIBIT 18-A

**Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
Water Supply Status
July 1, 2026**

Factor	Oct – Jun 2026	Average To Date	Percent of Average	Oct – Jun 2025
Rainfall (Inches)	24.29	21.02	116%	16.68
Runoff (Acre-Feet)	55,209	67,668	82%	33,006
Storage ⁵ (Acre-Feet)	28,750	31,275	95%	28,930

Notes:

1. Rainfall and runoff estimates are based on measurements at San Clemente Dam. Annual rainfall and runoff at Sleepy Hollow Weir average 21.22 inches and 67,246 acre-feet, respectively. Annual values are based on the water year that runs from October 1 to September 30 of the following calendar year. The rainfall and runoff averages at the Sleepy Hollow Weir site are based on records for the 1922-2024 and 1902-2024 periods respectively.
2. The rainfall and runoff totals are based on measurements through the dates referenced in the table.
3. Storage estimates refer to usable storage in the Monterey Peninsula Water Resources System (MPWRS) that includes surface water in Los Padres and San Clemente Reservoirs and ground water in the Carmel Valley Alluvial Aquifer and in the Coastal Subareas of the Seaside Groundwater Basin. The storage averages are end-of-month values and are based on records for the 1989-2025 period. The storage estimates are end-of-month values for the dates referenced in the table.
4. The maximum storage capacity for the MPWRS is currently 33,130 acre-feet.

Production vs. CDO and Adjudication to Date: WY 2026

(All values in Acre-Feet)

Year-to-Date Values	MPWRS					Water Projects and Rights				
	Carmel River Basin ^{2, 6}	Seaside Groundwater Basin		MPWRS Total						Water Projects and Rights Total
		Coastal	Laguna Seca			ASR Recovery	PWM Recovery	Table 13 ⁷	Sand City ³	
Target	2,736	494	0	494	3,230	0	3,030	138	225	3,393
Actual ⁴	2,189	371	75	446	2,635	0	3,595	241	57	3,892
Difference	547	123	-75	48	595	0	-565	-103	168	-499
WY 2025 Actual	2,380	1,002	88	1,090	3,470	0	2,640	182	131	2,953

1. This table is current through the date of this report

2. For CDO compliance, ASR, Mal Paso, and Table 13 diversions are included in River production per State Board

3. Sand City Desal, Table 13, and ASR recovery are also tracked as water resources project

4. To date, 916 AF and 241 AF have been produced from the River for ASR and Table 13 respectively

5. All values are rounded to the nearest Acre-Foot

6. For CDO Tracking Purposes, ASR production for injection is capped at 600 AFY

7. Table 13 diversions are reported under water rights but counted as production from the River for CDO tracking

Monthly Production from all Sources for Customer Service: WY 2026

(All values in Acre-Feet)

	Carmel River Basin	Table 13	Mal Paso	Seaside Basin	ASR Recovery	PWM Recovery	Sand City	Total
Oct-25	232	0	7	124	0	413	14	790
Nov-25	129	0	7	38	0	489	3	666
Dec-25	132	0	7	32	0	473	12	657
Jan-26	60	101	8	32	0	428	20	648
Feb-26	116	55	7	26	0	389	8	602
Mar-26	259	59	9	29	0	435	0	790
Apr-26	340	26	8	29	0	358	0	762
May-26	457	0	9	42	0	314	0	821
Jun-26	462	0	4	94	0	295	0	855
Jul-26								
Aug-26								
Sep-26								
Total	2,189	241	65	446	0	3,595	57	6,592
WY 2025	2,380	182	69	1,090	0	2,640	131	6,492

1. This table is produced as a proxy for customer demand

2. Numbers are provisional and are subject to update



Supplement to July 20, 2026 MPWMD Board Packet

Attached are letters sent and/or received between **June 15, 2026** and **July 15, 2026**. These letters are referenced under Letters Received and Sent in the July 20 Board Packet.

Author	Addressee	Date	Topic
Khalida Sarwari	Dave Stoldt	7/13/2026	Press Release: Governor Newsom Signs Laird Bill to Strengthen Water Conservation on the Monterey Peninsula
Barbara Buikema	Dave Stoldt	6/17/26	Request for Inclusion of CAWD Facilities in CEQA Scoping and Impact Analysis- Los Padres Dam and Reservoir Project
Dale Byrne	Dave Stoldt	6/13/26	Request for Formal Written Policy Guidance on Future Water Allocations



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

July 13, 2026

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Governor Newsom Signs Laird Bill to Strengthen Water Conservation on the Monterey Peninsula

SB 1139 ensures local water conservation rules can continue to be enforced

SACRAMENTO – Governor Gavin Newsom today signed Senate Bill 1139 by Senator John Laird, legislation that strengthens California’s water conservation efforts by ensuring the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD) will be able to enforce impending restrictions on the irrigation of nonfunctional turf with potable water.

Beginning in 2027, California law prohibits the use of potable water to irrigate nonfunctional turf on commercial, industrial, and institutional properties. SB 1139 closes an unintended gap by expressly authorizing MPWMD to enforce those requirements, consistent with its longstanding role in local water conservation.

“As California continues adapting to a drier future, we need to make sure our water conservation laws work as intended,” said Laird. “The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District has decades of experience helping the region use water wisely. SB 1139 simply gives the District clear authority to continue enforcing existing restrictions on nonfunctional turf irrigation, helping strengthen drought resilience and protect our limited water supplies.”

Unlike a typical water wholesaler, MPWMD was established by the Legislature with explicit authority to implement and enforce water conservation measures for end users. Local water retailers have long relied on the District to carry out conservation enforcement, but it was inadvertently omitted from the list of agencies authorized to enforce the state’s nonfunctional turf irrigation restrictions enacted in 2023. SB 1139 aligns state law with existing local practice and preserves an effective conservation program already in place on the Monterey Peninsula.

The bill is sponsored by MPWMD.

“The Water District sought authority under this bill to continue to support the State’s ‘Conservation as a California Way of Life’ initiative,” said Dave Stoldt, General Manager of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District. “We hope to work in partnership with nonfunctional turf owners to support their own sustainability efforts.”

SB 1139 will take effect on January 1, 2027.

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Senator John Laird represents the 17th Senate District, which includes all of Santa Cruz, San Benito, and Monterey counties, and a majority of San Luis Obispo County. More information about Senator Laird can be found [here](#).



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Subject: Request for Inclusion of CAWD Facilities in CEQA Scoping and Impact Analysis – Los Padres Dam and Reservoir Project

Dear Mr. Stoldt:

The Carmel Area Wastewater District (CAWD) appreciates the continued coordination among regional agencies regarding long-term solutions for Los Padres Dam and accumulated reservoir sediment. CAWD recognizes the importance of evaluating sustainable watershed-scale alternatives and supports a thorough environmental review process.

CAWD operates critical wastewater and recycled water infrastructure near the mouth of the Carmel River, including the District's treatment plant and associated facilities located within the lowermost reach of the watershed. The District's wastewater and recycled water treatment facilities are situated within a hydraulically sensitive portion of the lower river and lagoon system that may be affected by changes in sediment supply, channel bed elevation, lagoon stage, and backwater flood dynamics.

The Los Padres Dam and Reservoir Alternatives and Sediment Management Study prepared by AECOM identifies potential downstream aggradation under certain alternatives and acknowledges that detailed flood modeling was outside the scope of that study. Given the potential for altered sediment delivery to influence sandbar formation at the Carmel River mouth, lagoon water surface

elevations, and floodplain conditions, CAWD respectfully requests that the CAWD facilities be expressly included in the CEQA scoping process and subsequent environmental impact analysis.

Specifically, CAWD requests that the forthcoming CEQA document:

1. Evaluate alternative-specific downstream hydraulic impacts in the last mile of the Carmel River adjacent to the CAWD treatment facilities;
2. Assess potential changes in channel bed elevation and conveyance that could influence flood stages affecting CAWD infrastructure;
3. Analyze sediment-driven changes to sandbar formation and lagoon backwater conditions;
4. Evaluate river mouth beach morphology scenarios that account for future sea-level rise, including one in which additional sediment supplied by the project helps offset shoreline retreat, and one in which sediment sequestered by the dam is not supplying the beach and shoreline retreat is intensified.
5. Identify any mitigation measures necessary to avoid or reduce impacts to public wastewater infrastructure and access.

CAWD believes that early coordination during CEQA scoping will improve the quality of the environmental analysis and ensure that downstream public infrastructure considerations are fully addressed. As a local public agency with infrastructure and facilities that may be affected by downstream project impacts, CAWD requests consultation consistent with CEQA Guidelines §15083 and §15086(a)(3)

CAWD staff are available to meet with MPWMD staff and technical consultants to provide facility mapping, floodplain information, and relevant engineering studies that may assist in developing an appropriate scope of analysis.

Thank you for your consideration and continued collaboration on this important regional matter. We look forward to ongoing coordination as the project advances toward environmental review.

Sincerely,



Barbara Buikema
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Carmel Area Wastewater District

cc: CAWD Board of Directors
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Subject: Request for Formal Written Policy Guidance on Future Water Allocations

Dear Chair and Members of the Board,

On behalf of the Carmel-by-the-Sea City Council, we are writing to request formal, written policy guidance from the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD) Board of Directors regarding the future allocation of water made available under District Ordinance No. 197.

The City is grateful for the District's work to make additional water available to local jurisdictions. The allocation provided to Carmel-by-the-Sea has already supported meaningful residential and commercial reinvestment that would not otherwise have been possible.

As we administer these water resources and plan for the future, a fundamental tension between expectations has emerged, requiring written policy guidance from the MPWMD Board. California expects Carmel-by-the-Sea to plan for 349 housing units under its Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA). The City must also reserve water capacity for future municipal facilities and essential public services. At the same time, we understand from informal staff guidance that MPWMD expects jurisdictions to substantially utilize existing allocations before seeking additional allocations. These two expectations are difficult to balance without clearer direction from the Board. The long-term planning consequences of getting that balance wrong -- for housing compliance, for public facilities, and for our community -- are significant.

Our Council therefore respectfully requests the following policy guidance, in writing:

1. The District's expectations for when a jurisdiction should seek additional water allocations relative to their remaining balances;
2. The criteria that will be used to evaluate such requests;
3. The process and anticipated timeline for District consideration;
4. How RHNA obligations and public facility needs will be weighted in future allocation decisions; and
5. Whether the District intends to develop a formal policy framework applicable to all jurisdictions regarding future allocation requests.

We are not requesting additional water at this time. Rather, we are requesting the written policy guidance necessary to make responsible, informed decisions on behalf of our community and in compliance with state law. We believe this guidance would benefit every jurisdiction on the Monterey Peninsula facing the same challenge.

The City of Carmel-by-the-Sea appreciates the District's partnership and looks forward to continued collaboration. We would welcome the opportunity to meet with the Board and District staff to further discuss these matters and work toward obtaining formal written guidance.

Sincerely,



Dale Byrne
Mayor
City of Carmel-by-the-Sea



Brandon Swanson
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City of Carmel-by-the-Sea

cc: Carmel-by-the-Sea City Council
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District General Manager