

A G E N D A

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LAKESIDE WATER DISTRICT

June 3, 2025

Meeting Place: Lakeside Water District; 10375 Vine Street
Lakeside CA 92040; **5:30 p.m.**

Assistance for those with disabilities: If you have a disability and need accommodation to participate in the meeting, please call Brett Sanders, General Manager, at (619) 443-3805 for assistance so the necessary arrangements can be made.

1. Call to Order
2. Prayer/Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of the Agenda
5. Opportunity for Public Comment Pertaining to Items Not on the Agenda (Items must meet the requirements of Government Code Section 54954.2)
6. Approve Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on April 29, 2025.
7. Review the April 2025 Treasurers Report for the Annual Audit. Request to Note and File in Preparation.
8. Public Hearing to Consider Filing an Application with U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Rural Utilities for the Yerba Valley Annexation Area.
9. Consider Resolution 2025-05 Authorizing the Filing of a Loan Application with the USDA Rural Development, Rural Utilities Service for Financial Assistance within the Boundaries of Lakeside Water District Community Facilities District No. 2022-1 (Yerba Valley Annexation Area). Sanders
10. Adopt Resolution 25-06 Establishing a Tax Appropriations Limit for the District for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026. Sanders
11. Summarize Changes to the District's Organization Structure. Request Approval to Revise Job Class pay Grade Schedule for 2025. Sanders
12. Review Draft Capital Improvement Plan Revisions for the Annual 5-Year CIP Update. Sanders

13. Approve Demands of the Treasurer for May 2025.
14. CWA Report
15. Director's Reports and/or Ad Hoc Sub-Committees Reports.
16. Operations Report. Sanders
17. General Managers' Report.
18. Closed Session – Closed to the Public:

Personnel Exception per Government Code Section 54967; Public Employment;
Employee Contract Review – General Manager

19. Adjourn; Next Regular Meeting Date July 8, 2025.

PUBLIC COMMENT PROCEDURES

Members of the public will be allowed to address the Board on any agenda item prior to the Board's decision on the item. They will also be allowed to comment on matters not on the posted agenda, which are under the subject matter jurisdiction of the district. No action may be taken by the board except to set the matter presented for the next regular board meeting if proposed by the board. State your name, topic and provide the secretary with a request to speak form, so you can be properly included in the comment period. Comments are limited to 3 minutes and the board is not required to comment on the topic.

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

I certify that on May 30, 2025, I posted a copy of the meeting agenda and any public records relating to items on the agenda and that they are available for public inspection at the time the record is distributed to all, or a majority of all members of the board. Such records shall be available at the district office located at 10375 Vine Street, Lakeside, California, or on the district's website at [LakesideWater.org](https://www.lakesidewater.org).

Agendas are posted at least 72 hours in advance of a regular meeting, or 24 hours in advance of a special meeting of the Board of Directors, near their regular meeting place, and as per Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(1) and 54956(a).

Brett Sanders, General Manager / Board Secretary

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
LAKESIDE WATER DISTRICT
HELD ON April 29, 2025**

At the time and place provided by law for the holding of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lakeside Water District; to-wit at the meeting place of said Board at 10375 Vine Street, Lakeside, California, at 5:30 p.m. the Board duly convened, the following members present.

Directors:

Frank Hilliker
Pete Jenkins
Steve Johnson
Eileen Neumeister
Steve Robak

Secretary:

Brett Sanders

- 1) Call to Order by Board President Neumeister
- 2) Prayer/Invocation – Director Johnson introduced Bill Bottker to provide the prayer for the night's meeting.
- 3) Pledge of Allegiance
- 4) Approval of Agenda. Motion by Director Johnson to accept the agenda as submitted.

Motion: Johnson

Second: Jenkins

Vote:	Ayes	5	Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak
	Noes	0	
	Abstain	0	
	Absent	0	

- 5) Opportunity for Public Comment Pertaining to Items Not on the Agenda (Items must meet the requirements of Government Code Section 54954.2). No Comments.
- 6) Approve Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on April 1, 2025. Motion by Director Hilliker to approve minutes as presented.

Motion: Hilliker

Second: Robak

Vote:	Ayes	5	Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak
	Noes	0	
	Abstain	0	
	Absent	0	

- 7) Review the March 2025 Treasurers Report for the Annual Audit. Request to Note and File in Preparation. Approved to Note and File.

8) Operations Report. Superintendent Johnze provided a summary of the following:

- a. Work with Solar Installation crew to complete final panel connections and a drain deflector to keep water off the generator.
 - b. Treatment Plant infrastructure improvements. District crews worked on ammonia and chlorine injector vaults and pipe rerouting.
 - c. Preparation for SCADA upgrades to the Riverview Service Area, purchasing parts and preparation of radio antenna installations.
 - d. Work on fence at north Vine Street property to secure area between sidewalk and property fence.
 - e. AWP Pipeline Crossings and Inspections. Orion continues working on Channel Road at Mapleview and Riverside Dr .10" ACP is being replaced and the 20" ACP bypass replacement is scheduled to be completed within 2 weeks.
- District Emergency Repairs
0 Mainbreak, 2 Service Leak, 0 Fire Hydrants

9) Consider Claim from Pendarvis for Injury. General Manager Sanders provided a summary of a claim for injury damages incurred by Pendarvis when allegedly stepping into a meter box without a cover at 12705 Lauren Street. Motion by Director Hilliker to deny the claim as presented, rejecting District liability.

Motion: Hilliker

Second: Jenkins

Vote:	Ayes	5	Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak
	Noes	0	
	Abstain	0	
	Absent	0	

10) Review Strategic Plan Report for 2025. General Manager Sanders provided the Board a brief review of the final report and provided a copy for each board member.

11) Review Capacity and Annexation Fee Report for 2025. General Manager Sanders provided a brief review of the final report and handed out a copy to each board member.

12) Summarize Proposed Changes to the District's Organization Structure. General Manager Sanders provided the Board with a presentation of a proposed change in the organizational structure of the Operations staff and the addition of an Engineering and Operations Manager to oversee the complex responsibilities of Engineering and Operations of the District. Motion by Director Robak to continue with the addition of the new position and to provide additional job descriptions, organizational chart and salary schedule to support the addition at the June meeting.

Motion: Robak

Second: Johnson

Vote:	Ayes	5	Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak
	Noes	0	
	Abstain	0	
	Absent	0	

13) Approve Demands of the Treasurer for April 2025. Motion by Director Robak to approve the demands as presented.

Motion: Robak

Second: Johnson

Vote:	Ayes	5	Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak
	Noes	0	
	Abstain	0	
	Absent	0	

14) CWA Report – CWA Representative Hilliker reported that very little remains to resolve all litigation with MWD. Great progress. Board is working on the budget and the proposed rate increase for 2026. City of San Diego is pushing for minimal cuts and it seems that the increase in demand is helping to control increases. Debate over AB 350 and Low Income Rate Assistance bills proposed in the legislature and how the WA should support it if it is amended. Basically, support if amended rather than oppose unless amended.

15) Director’s Report and Ad Hoc Sub-Committees Reports. Ad hoc committee of Director Hilliker and Director Johnson did meet on April 11, and made progress to propose General Manager contract proposals at the April 29, 2025 (tonight).

16) Manager’s Quarterly Report. The General Manager reported.

- 1) UCM Rate Reduction Update; New rates are going to be in effect for March. Current bills are being adjusted back to September for some charges that are being changed and reduced.
- 2) Yerba Valley Annexation Update:
 - Application was accepted on April 15th.
 - Registered with the USDA – System for Award Management for payments.
 - Discussion within the USDA about how much of the project to fund. Potentially a rule excluding private property work.
- 3) Summarize Bill Payments to the District.
 - \$90,400 in payment processing fees for CY 2024
 - Payment methods – Checks 44%, Credit Card 35%, EFT 13%, Autopay 5% and cash at 2%.

17) Closed Session – Closed to the Public:

Personnel Exception Per Government Code Section 54957; Employee Evaluation – General Manager – Out of closed session the Board President announced that A) The General Manager has accomplished the goals identified for FY 2024-25 and the Board unanimously approved the Incentive Compensation payment of \$2,500 as per the General Managers contract. B) Contract has been unanimously accepted in terms and conditions and will be finalized for approval and signature by the Board President.

18) Adjourn; There being no further business the meeting adjourned to the next Regular Meeting to be held on June 3, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

Attest:

Brett Sanders, Board Secretary
Lakeside Water District

Eileen Neumeister
Board President

Lakeside Water District
Statement of Revenues and Expenses
July 2024 through April 2025

	Apr 25	Jul '24 - Apr 25	Budget	% of Budget
Operating Revenue				
Water Sales				
4000 · Water Sales on Account	\$ 544,808.00	\$ 7,265,159.00	\$ 7,674,792.00	95%
4010 · System meter charge	\$ 112,592.00	\$ 1,023,922.00	\$ 1,168,943.00	88%
4020 · CWA/IAC	\$ 39,215.00	\$ 371,196.00	\$ 443,760.00	84%
4040 · Penalties / other	\$ 12,201.00	\$ 119,687.00	\$ -	0%
Total Water Sales	\$ 708,816.00	\$ 8,779,964.00	\$ 9,287,495.00	95%
4100 · Capacity Fees LWD	\$ 11,845.00	\$ 68,875.00	\$ 237,773.00	29%
4101 · SDCWA Capacity & Treatment	\$ 15,701.00	\$ 92,549.00	\$ 314,039.00	29%
4200 · Meter Services	\$ 5,810.00	\$ 33,065.00	\$ 35,000.00	94%
4210 · Engineering & Inspection Fees	\$ -	\$ 950.00	\$ 7,500.00	13%
4220 · Fire Hydrants	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,000.00	0%
4230 · Tapping	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,000.00	0%
4300 · Miscellaneous Income	\$ 68.00	\$ 4,743.00	\$ 20,000.00	24%
4310 · Water Letters	\$ 100.00	\$ 3,054.00	\$ 250.00	1,222%
4400 · Rent - Land Lease	\$ 23,979.00	\$ 251,832.00	\$ 279,976.00	90%
4600 · Interest Income	\$ 15,563.00	\$ 212,737.00	\$ 227,645.00	93%
4700 · Taxes Revenue	\$ 247,840.00	\$ 758,125.00	\$ 720,000.00	105%
4951 · High Meadow Ranch	\$ -	\$ 13,980.00	\$ 9,200.00	152%
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 1,029,722.00	\$ 10,219,874.00	\$ 11,183,878.00	91%
Expense				
Administrative and General				
7000 · General Manager/Secretary	\$ 18,787.00	\$ 196,272.00	\$ 233,446.00	84%
7001 · Incentive Compensation	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	50%
7020 · Director's Fees	\$ 625.00	\$ 6,750.00	\$ 10,750.00	63%
7100 · General Insurance	\$ 5,339.00	\$ 75,214.00	\$ 66,575.00	113%
7200 · Annual Audit	\$ -	\$ 30,600.00	\$ 29,000.00	106%
7210 · Attorney Fees	\$ -	\$ 9,435.00	\$ 30,000.00	31%
7230 · Consultants	\$ 225.00	\$ 31,141.00	\$ 2,000.00	1,557%
7300 · Elections/Registrar	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	0%
7320 · Lafco Operating Costs	\$ -	\$ 5,607.00	\$ 5,634.00	100%
7401 · Administrative Expense	\$ 576.00	\$ 1,121.00	\$ 7,000.00	16%
7450 · Public Info/Public Relat	\$ -	\$ 1,584.00	\$ 11,350.00	14%
7500 · State Health Dept./ SWRCB	\$ -	\$ 45,162.00	\$ 49,064.00	92%
7800 · Bad Debt Expense	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	0%
7900 · Water Dev./Conservation Program	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,500.00	0%
Total Administrative and General	\$ 25,552.00	\$ 405,386.00	\$ 463,319.00	87%

	Apr 25	Jul '24 - Apr 25	Budget	% of Budget
Operations and Maintenance				
5000 · Water Purchases	\$ 585,010.00	\$ 6,012,469.00	\$ 6,762,714.00	89%
5075 · Padre Dam Deliver Charge	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,600.00	0%
5080 · Water Treatment & Testing	\$ 1,506.00	\$ 27,910.00	\$ 20,040.00	139%
5090 · Infrastructure Access Charge	\$ 37,420.00	\$ 368,428.00	\$ 443,760.00	83%
5091 · SDCWA Capacity & Treatment Fees	\$ 15,701.00	\$ 92,549.00	\$ 314,039.00	29%
5100 · Electric Power	\$ 24,530.00	\$ 350,815.00	\$ 395,566.00	89%
5200 · Water Treatment -Maint/Supplie	\$ 2,986.00	\$ 66,622.00	\$ 90,000.00	74%
5620 · Yerba Valley Annexation	\$ -	\$ 4,285.00	\$ 30,000.00	14%
5627 · County - Road Improvements	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,000.00	0%
5628 · Telemetry Repair	\$ 1,072.00	\$ 10,751.00	\$ 3,000.00	358%
6000 · Wages, Field	\$ 64,268.00	\$ 647,066.00	\$ 783,592.00	83%
6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	\$ 8,728.00	\$ 121,173.00	\$ 130,000.00	93%
6102 · Dist. Pump & Maint	\$ -	\$ 35,972.00	\$ 60,000.00	60%
6110 · Emergency Repairs & Service	\$ -	\$ 9,256.00	\$ 45,000.00	21%
6200 · Trucks-Fuel,Maintenance,Repair	\$ 8,298.00	\$ 70,261.00	\$ 70,000.00	100%
6400 · Outside Labor	\$ 10,233.00	\$ 49,299.00	\$ 42,000.00	117%
6410 · Engineering	\$ 666.00	\$ 8,151.00	\$ 20,000.00	41%
7010 · Wages, Office	\$ 26,300.00	\$ 275,626.00	\$ 328,315.00	84%
7030 · Payroll Taxes	\$ 8,413.00	\$ 78,791.00	\$ 102,508.00	77%
7040 · Group Insurance	\$ 32,785.00	\$ 331,118.00	\$ 326,740.00	101%
7050 · CalPers Retirement	\$ 13,633.00	\$ 161,758.00	\$ 216,831.00	75%
7070 · Unemployment Insurance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	0%
7400 · Office Expense	\$ 11,479.00	\$ 146,826.00	\$ 157,714.00	93%
7440 · Dues & Subscriptions	\$ 11,697.00	\$ 40,615.00	\$ 29,225.00	139%
7920 · Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 121.00	\$ 8,529.00	\$ 5,000.00	171%
Total Operations and Maintenance	\$ 864,846.00	\$ 8,918,270.00	\$ 10,398,644.00	86%
Total Expense	\$ 890,398.00	\$ 9,323,656.00	\$ 10,861,963.00	86%
Net Ordinary Income	\$ 139,324.00	\$ 896,218.00	\$ 321,915.00	278%
Capital Requirements				
1510 · Buildings & Land Improvements	\$ 13,684	\$ 13,684	\$ 4,000	342%
1520 · O & M Equipment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000	0%
1530 · Office Furniture & Equipment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000	0%
1548 · Office Solar	\$ -	\$ 248,465	\$ 275,000	90%
1547 · CIP Design/Engineering	\$ -	\$ 43,973	\$ 40,000	110%
xxxx · Yerba Valley Annexation Pipeline	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300,000	0%
1550 · Pumping Plant & Distribution	\$ 2,432	\$ 35,982	\$ 25,000	144%
1551 · New Service/Meters	\$ -	\$ 21,286	\$ 10,000	213%
1750 · Cellular Transmit Meters (42)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Total Capital Expense	\$ 16,116	\$ 363,390	\$ 668,000	54%

Lakeside Water District
Investment Report
As of April 30, 2025

Apr 30, 25

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

1020 - UBS Cash Fund	11,915.31
1030 - King Cash Fund	83,280.79
1050 - Multi-Bank Securities, Inc.	415,054.03
1070 - Investment - LAIF	986.10

Total Checking/Savings	511,236.23
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Other Current Assets

Investments

1321.65 - StBkIndia 1.1% 5/28/25 33682	104,000.00
1321.66 - FHLMC 0.6% 8/12/25	200,000.00
1321.67 - FFCB 0.61% 8/25/25	240,000.00
1321.69 - BkUnited 0.55% 1/22/26 58979	242,000.00
1351.24 - M1 Bk 1% 5/8/25 9797	249,000.00
1351.25 - EnterpriseB 0.85% 5/14/25 34786	249,000.00
1351.26 - Summit 0.85% 5/15/25 32203	249,000.00
1351.29 - Chippewa 0.5% 7/29/25 12322	151,000.00
1351.30 - FNMA 0.65% 8/14/25	270,000.00
1351.31 - FNMA 0.55% 9/30/25	512,000.00
1351.32 - FMCC 0.60% 11/24/25	500,000.00
1351.33 - FHLB 0.875% 3/10/26	245,000.00
1351.34 - Greenstate 0.7% 3/12/26 60269	249,000.00
1351.38 - Toyota 0.95% 7/22/26 57542	140,000.00
1351.39 - Synchrony 0.9% 8/20/26 27314	119,000.00
1351.40 - FHLN 0.9% 8/26/26	640,000.00
1351.41 - ConnectOneBk 0.8% 9/24/26 57919	136,000.00
1351.42 - PentagonFed 0.9% 9/29/26 227	249,000.00
1351.43 - FHLN 1.1% 10/13/26	350,000.00
1351.44 - FHLN 1.375% 11/16/26	270,000.00
1351.45 - FHLB 1.65% 12/30/26	270,000.00
1351.46 - FHLN 2.5% 3/29/27	270,000.00
1351.47 - FHLN 3.75% 5/26/27 no call 12mo	1,000,000.00
1351.48 - StBk India 3.3% 6/1/27 33682	100,000.00
1351.49 - TSRY 3.54% 5/15/27	342,826.69
1351.51 - Morgan S Privt Bk 3.7% 9/26/29	245,000.00
1351.52 - Morgan S Bk 3.7% 9/26/29	105,000.00
1351.53 - Fed Agric Mtg 4.64% 12/23/27	399,672.00
1351.54 - Cross Riv Bk Teaneck 4% 1/3/28	245,000.00
1351.55 - AMEX NATL BK 4.15% 03/26/30	244,000.00
1351.56 - EAGLEBK BETH 4.05% 4/17/28	249,000.00
1351.57 - MILESTONE BANK 3.95% 4/28/28	245,000.00

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1351.58 · FNBA 3.85% 4/30/29	249,000.00
1383.19 · TexasEx 1.1% 5/13/25 20099	125,000.00
1383.20 · Bk Baroda 0.70% 7/22/25 33681	249,000.00
1383.21 · 1st Carolina 0.6% 6/26/25 35530	175,850.50
1383.23 · JP MorganC 0.55% 7/31/25 628	249,000.00
1383.24 · FHLM 0.6% 8/12/25	260,000.00
1383.25 · FNMA 0.5% 8/14/25	375,000.00
1383.26 · FNMA 0.64% 12/30/25	270,000.00
1383.27 · FHLB 2.5% 2/25/27	670,000.00
1383.28 · BealBk 2.05% 3/3/27 57833	247,000.00
1383.29 · FHLB 2.5% 3/30/27	200,000.00
1383.30 · FHLB 3.25% 4/21/27	255,000.00
1383.31 · FHLB 3% 4/29/27 no call 24mo	250,000.00
1383.32 · FHLB 3.375% 5/28/27 no call24mo	255,000.00
1383.33 · AllyBk 3% 6/9/26 57803	139,000.00
1383.34 · SALLMA 4.3% 07/27/29	244,000.00
1383.35 · UBS 4.2% 07/24/29	248,000.00
1383.36 · FNMA 4.375% 8/6/29	179,184.50
1383.37 · Valley Natl 4.15% 1/27/28	244,000.00
1383.38 · American Exp 4.2% 1/31/28	244,000.00
1383.39 · BMW Bank of NA 3.95% 4/25/28	245,000.00
Total Investments	14,452,533.69
Total Other Current Assets	14,452,533.69
Total Current Assets	14,963,769.92
TOTAL ASSETS	14,963,769.92
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	0.00

Investments by Maturity

April 2025

Description	Cusip	Maturity	Rate	Amount	Est. Yr Interest	Avg Rate
King Fidelity Treasury MM	FZFX		4.11%	\$ 67,080	\$ 2,757.00	
M1 BK MACKS CREEK MO	55316CAY2	5/8/2025	1.00%	\$ 249,000	\$ 2,490.00	
TEXAS EXCHANGE BANK SSB	88241THD5	5/13/2025	1.10%	\$ 125,000	\$ 1,375.00	
ENTERPRISE BK	29367RLM6	5/14/2025	0.85%	\$ 249,000	\$ 2,116.50	
SUMMIT ST BK SANTA	866264DP6	5/15/2025	0.85%	\$ 249,000	\$ 2,116.50	
State Bank of India	856285TQ4	5/28/2025	1.10%	\$ 104,000	\$ 1,144.00	
FIRST CAROLINA BANK	31944MAY1	6/26/2025	0.60%	\$ 175,851	\$ 1,055.10	
Bank of Baroda	06063HMS9	7/22/2025	0.70%	\$ 249,000	\$ 1,743.00	
CHIPPEWA VY BK	169894AT9	7/29/2025	0.50%	\$ 151,000	\$ 755.00	
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NA	48128UHS1	7/31/2025	0.55%	\$ 249,000	\$ 1,369.50	
FHLMC	3134GWND4	8/12/2025	0.60%	\$ 260,000	\$ 1,560.00	
FHLMC	3134GWND4	8/12/2025	0.60%	\$ 200,000	\$ 1,200.00	
FNMA	3135G05S8	8/14/2025	0.50%	\$ 375,000	\$ 1,875.00	
FNMA	3136G4C43	8/14/2025	0.65%	\$ 270,000	\$ 1,755.00	
FFCB	313EL4W1	8/25/2025	0.61%	\$ 240,000	\$ 1,464.00	
FNMA	3136G44F7	9/30/2025	0.55%	\$ 512,000	\$ 2,816.00	
FHLMC	FMCC5080214	11/24/2025	0.60%	\$ 500,000	\$ 3,000.00	
FNMA	3135G06Q1	12/30/2025	0.57%	\$ 270,000	\$ 1,541.70	
Maturity in 2025		\$ 4,494,931	31%			0.71%
Bank United	066519QC6	1/22/2026	0.55%	\$ 242,000	\$ 1,331.00	
FHLB	3130ALLS1	3/10/2026	0.88%	\$ 245,000	\$ 2,143.75	
Greenstate	39573LAY4	3/12/2026	0.70%	\$ 249,000	\$ 1,743.00	
Ally Bank	02007GSU8	6/9/2026	3.00%	\$ 139,000	\$ 4,170.00	
Toyota Fin	89235MLD1	7/22/2026	0.95%	\$ 140,000	\$ 1,330.00	
Synchrony	87165GD74	8/20/2026	0.90%	\$ 119,000	\$ 1,071.00	
FHLB	3130ANJT8	8/26/2026	0.90%	\$ 640,000	\$ 5,760.00	
ConnectOneBk	20786ADL6	9/24/2026	0.80%	\$ 136,000	\$ 1,088.00	
PentagonFed	70962LAS1	9/29/2026	0.90%	\$ 249,000	\$ 2,241.00	
FHLN	3130APB87	10/13/2026	1.10%	\$ 350,000	\$ 3,850.00	
FHLN	3130APLP8	11/16/2026	1.38%	\$ 270,000	\$ 3,712.50	
FHLB	3130AQBE2	12/30/2026	1.65%	\$ 270,000	\$ 4,455.00	
Maturity in 2026		\$ 3,049,000	21%			1.08%
FHLB	3130AQYG2	2/25/2027	2.50%	\$ 670,000	\$ 16,750.00	
Beal Bk	07371CK81	3/3/2027	2.05%	\$ 247,000	\$ 5,063.50	
FHLB	3130ARDY4	3/29/2027	2.50%	\$ 270,000	\$ 6,750.00	
FHLB	3130ARCL3	3/30/2027	2.50%	\$ 200,000	\$ 5,000.00	
FHLB	3130ARKD2	4/21/2027	3.25%	\$ 255,000	\$ 8,287.50	
FHLB	3130ARMS7	4/29/2027	3.00%	\$ 250,000	\$ 7,500.00	
US Treasury	912828X88	5/15/2027	3.54%	\$ 342,827	\$ 12,136.08	
FHLB	3130ARMS7	5/26/2027	3.75%	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 37,500.00	

Investments by Maturity

April 2025

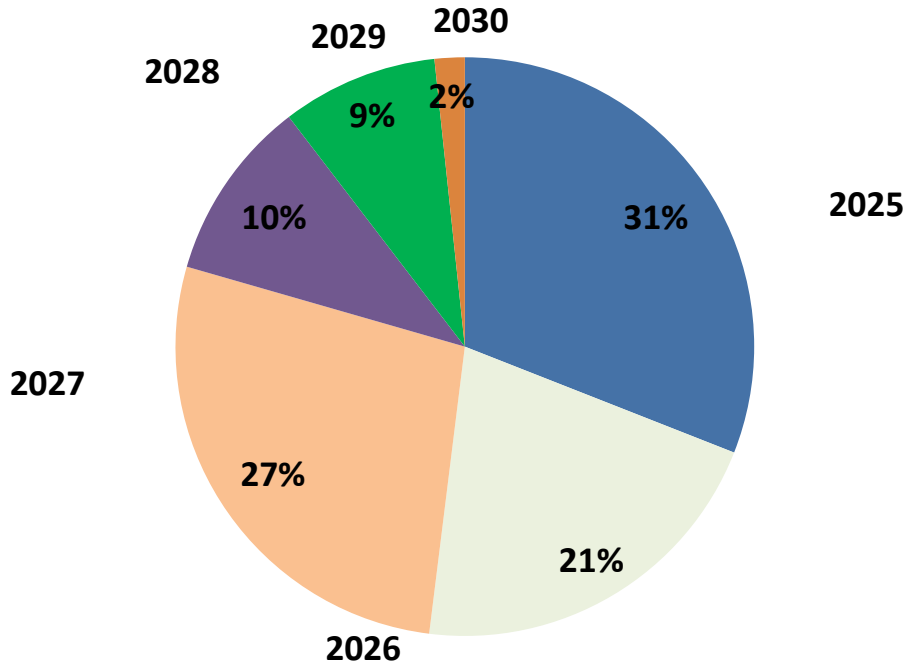
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FHLB	3130ARYQ8	5/28/2027	3.37%	\$ 255,000	\$ 8,593.50	
State Bank India N	856285N64	6/1/2027	3.30%	\$ 100,000	\$ 3,300.00	
Fed Agric Mtg		12/23/2027	4.64%	\$ 399,672	\$ 18,544.78	
Maturity in 2027 \$ 3,989,499 27%						3.24%
Cross Riv BK Teaneck	227563LU5	1/3/2028	4.00%	\$ 245,000	\$ 9,800.00	
Valley National Bk	919853PX4	1/28/2028	4.15%	\$ 244,000	\$ 10,126.00	
American Express Natl Bk	02589AGC0	1/31/2028	4.20%	\$ 244,000	\$ 10,248.00	
EAGLEBANK Bethesda	27002Y-HN-9	4/17/2028	4.05%	\$ 249,000	\$ 10,084.50	
BMW Bank NA	05612LEQ1	4/25/2028	3.95%	\$ 245,000	\$ 9,677.50	
Milestone BK SALT	59934M-DC-9	4/28/2028	3.95%	\$ 245,000	\$ 9,677.50	
Maturity in 2028 \$ 1,472,000 10%						4.05%
FNBA	32110Y-T7-0	4/30/2029	3.85%	\$ 245,000	\$ 9,432.50	
UBS	90355GPU4	7/24/2029	4.20%	\$ 248,000	\$ 10,416.00	
SALLMA	795451DM2	7/24/2029	4.30%	\$ 244,000	\$ 10,492.00	
FNMA	3135GAU25	8/6/2029	4.38%	\$ 179,185	\$ 7,839.32	
Morgan S Privt Bk	61768UPS0	9/26/2029	3.70%	\$ 245,000	\$ 9,065.00	
Morgan S Bk	61776CBR7	9/26/2029	3.70%	\$ 105,000	\$ 3,885.00	
Maturity in 2029 \$ 1,266,185 9%						4.04%
American Express Nat'l Bk	02589AGX4	3/26/2030	4.15%	\$ 244,000	\$ 10,126.00	
Maturity in 2030 \$ 244,000 2%						4.15%
				<u>Investments</u>	<u>Annual Interest</u>	<u>Avg</u>
Total				\$ 14,515,614	\$ 315,323	2.17%

Investments by Maturity

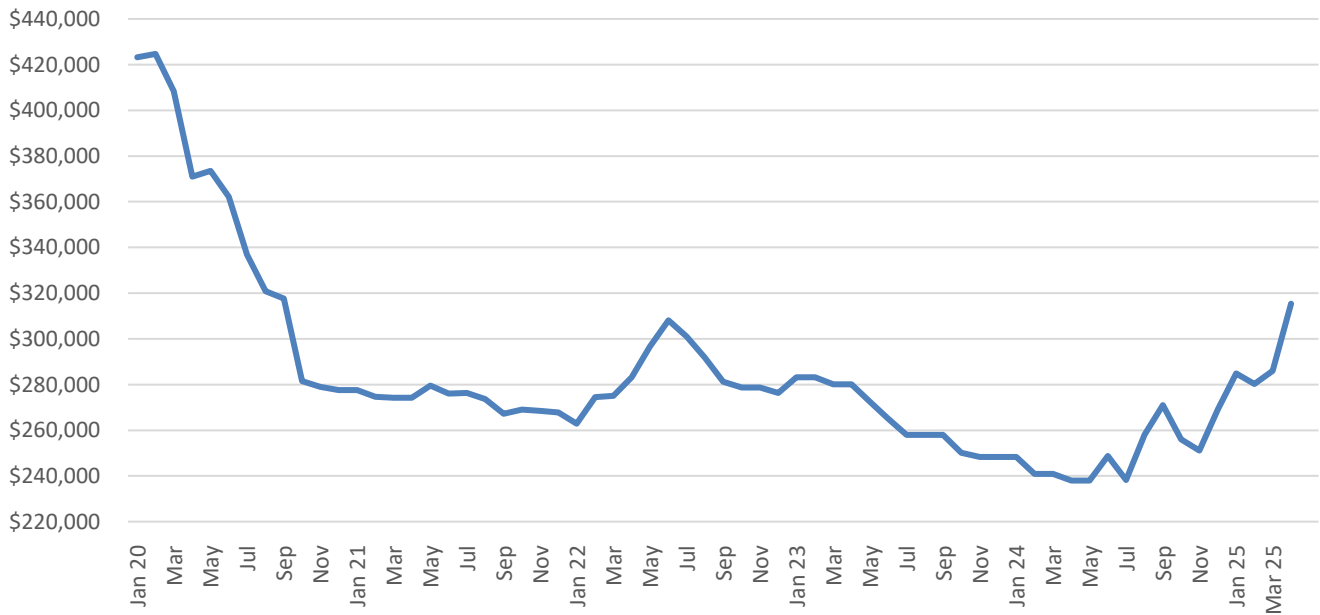
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<u>Description</u>	<u>Cusip</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Est. Yr Interest</u>	<u>Avg Rate</u>
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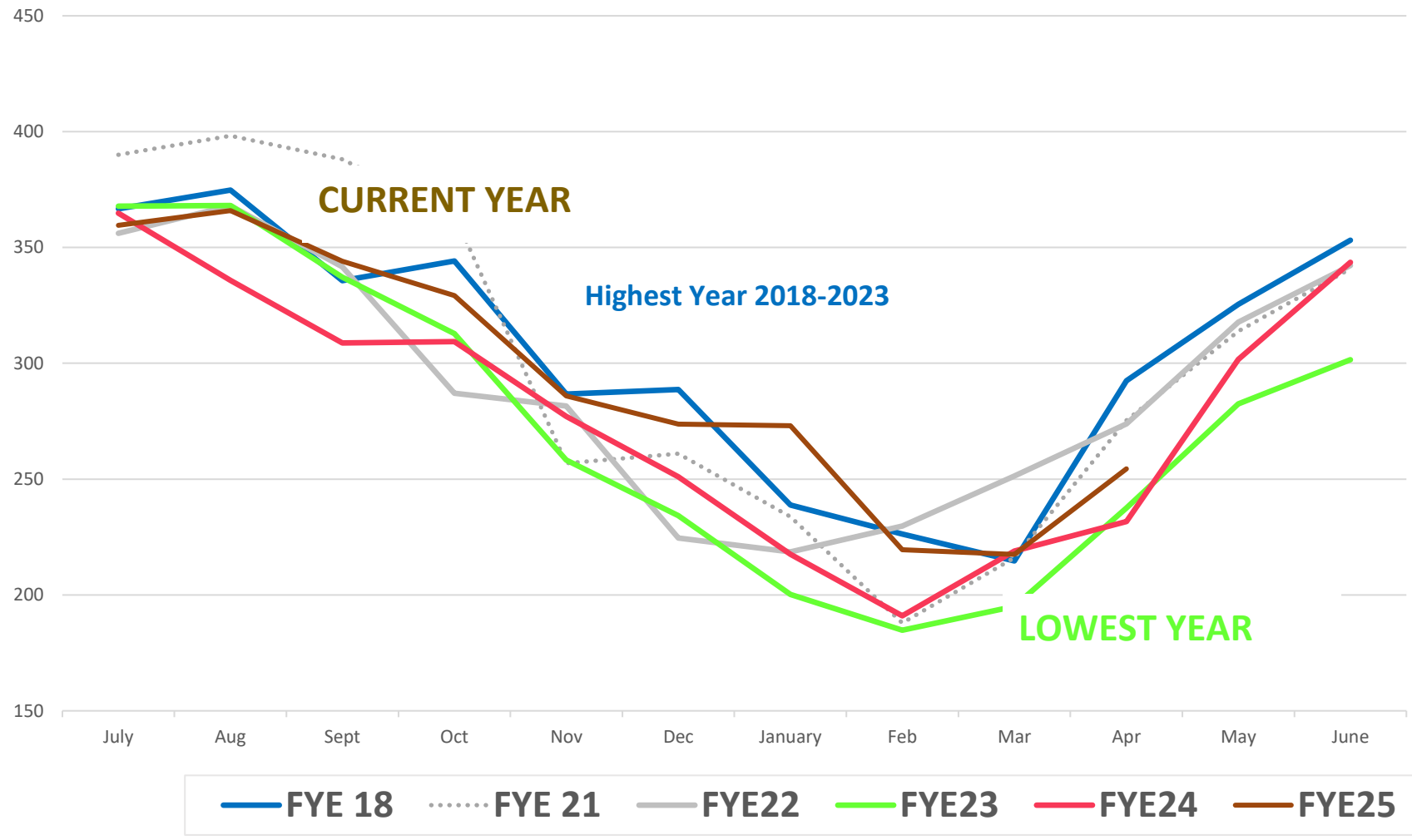
Investments by Maturity Year



Annual Projected Interest *On a monthly basis*



Water Demand



Notice of Hearing and Intent to File Application

The Lakeside Water District hereby gives notice of a public hearing concerning the filing of an application with U. S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Rural Utilities Service for financial assistance for the following purpose: The District plans to complete annexation and capacity fee payments to connect 17 single family homes to a new pipelines with meters to serve the properties, in the Muth Valley, Yerba Valley Annexation Area of Lakeside, CA.

This project will allow for the District to complete the infrastructure to connect the 17 single family homes and pay for annexation fees, capacity fees, pipeline installation and water meter installations.

The public hearing is scheduled to be held at the District's office at the address shown below on June 3, 2025, commencing at 5:30pm or as soon thereafter may be practicable. Any comments regarding the application should be submitted prior to or at the public hearing.

Lakeside Water District

10375 Vine Street

Lakeside, CA 92040

If any additional information is needed, the contact for the Applicant is:

Brett Sanders

General Manager

619-443-3805

BrettS@LakesideWater.org

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-05

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LAKESIDE WATER DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A LOAN APPLICATION WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSE: TO FINANCE AND REFINANCE A PORTION OF THE COST OF ANNEXATION, CAPACITY FEE PAYMENTS, PIPELINES, METERS AND RELATED WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS TO PROVIDE WATER SERVICE TO PROPERTY WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF LAKESIDE WATER DISTRICT COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2022-1 (YERBA VALLEY ANNEXATION AREA) IN LAKESIDE, CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, by virtue of proceedings conducted at meetings of the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Lakeside Water District (the “District”), an irrigation district organized under the provisions of California Water Code Section 20500 et seq., the Board:

(i) caused the formation of a community facilities district designated the “Lakeside Water District Community Facilities District No. 2022-1 (Yerba Valley Annexation Area)” (the “CFD”) under the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982, as amended (the “Act”), Chapter 2.5 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5, commencing at Section 53311 of the California Government Code, for the purpose of financing certain public improvements (the “Facilities”), together with any related expenses, services, incidental costs and financing costs (together with the Facilities, the “Project”);

(ii) determined the necessity to incur bonded indebtedness and other debt for the Project;

(iii) submitted the combined propositions of the levy of a special tax on non-exempt real property within the boundaries of the CFD, the establishment of an appropriations limit for the CFD and the incurring of the bonded indebtedness and other debt of the CFD to the qualified electors of the CFD and called a special election to consider such measures;

(iv) approved the canvass of ballots and statement of the results of the special election, wherein all seventeen (17) qualified electors voted yes on the combined propositions;

(v) caused a notice of special tax lien to be recorded in the office of the County Recorder of the County of San Diego as document number 2023-0232478, said lien to secure the special tax to be levied for the purpose of paying principal and interest on bonded indebtedness and other debt, the proceeds of which are being used to finance the acquisition and construction of the Project and to pay the cost of administering the CFD; and

(vi) adopted an ordinance levying special taxes within the CFD; and

WHEREAS, the District has given notice of a public hearing concerning the filing of an application with the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Rural Utilities Service ("RUS"), for financial assistance in completing the Project; and

WHEREAS, at this meeting the Board has duly held said public hearing and considered any and all comments submitted prior to or at the public hearing;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby **ORDERED** and **DETERMINED**, as follows:

Section 1. The Board hereby finds the foregoing recitals to be true and correct.

Section 2. The filing of the District's application with RUS for financial assistance in completing the Project, including a loan in a principal amount not to exceed \$2,500,000, is hereby authorized, ratified and approved.

Section 3. The President of the Board, the Board Secretary and the General Manager and all other appropriate officers of the District are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver such other agreements, documents and certificates, and to do any and all things and take any and all actions, as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this resolution and the filing herein authorized. Whenever in this resolution any officer of the District is authorized to execute or countersign any document or take any action, such execution, countersigning or action may be taken on behalf of such officer by any person designated by such officer or subsequently ratified by such officer as the person to act on behalf of such officer in the case such officer shall be absent or unavailable.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

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The undersigned Board Secretary of the Lakeside Water District hereby certifies that the foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted and passed by the Board of Directors of the Lakeside Water District in a regular meeting held on the 3rd day of June, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Eileen Neumeister, Board President
Lakeside Water District

Brett Sanders, Secretary
Lakeside Water District

PUBLIC NOTICE

At its regularly scheduled meeting on June 3, 2025, the Lakeside Water District will consider establishing the Fiscal Year 2025-26 appropriation limit (Gann Initiative). Below is the documentation used in the determination of the appropriation limit adjustment.

The Board will apply the “Price Factor”; Article XIII B specifies that local jurisdiction select their cost of living factor to compute their appropriation limit by a vote of their governing body. The cost of living factor provided here is per capita personal income. If the percentage change in per capita personal income is selected, the percentage change to be used in setting the fiscal year 2025-26 appropriation limit is:

Lakeside Water District

Price Factor = Per Capita Personal Income (PCPI)

Fiscal Year (FY)	Percentage change over prior year
2025-26	6.44%

Current 2024-25 Appropriations Limit	\$ 719,364
2025-26 Proposed (PCPI) Adjustment – 6.44%	\$ 46,327
2022-23 Arrears (PCPI) Adjustment – 7.55%	\$ 50,206
LWD Community Facilities District 2022-01	\$ 58,925
Allowable Appropriation Limit FY 2025-26	\$ 874,822



Gavin Newsom ■ Governor

1021 O Street, Suite 3110 ■ Sacramento CA 95814 ■ www.dof.ca.gov

May 2025

Dear Fiscal Officer:

Subject: Price Factor and Population Information

Appropriations Limit

California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 2227 requires the Department of Finance to transmit an estimate of the percentage change in population to local governments. Each local jurisdiction must use their percentage change in population factor for January 1, 2025, in conjunction with a change in the cost of living, or price factor, to calculate their appropriations limit for fiscal year 2025-26. Attachment A provides the change in California's per capita personal income and an example for utilizing the price factor and population percentage change factor to calculate the 2025-26 appropriations limit. Attachment B provides the city and unincorporated county population percentage change along with the population percentage change for counties and their summed incorporated areas. The population percentage change data excludes federal and state institutionalized populations and military populations.

Population Percent Change for Special Districts

Some special districts must establish an annual appropriations limit. California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 2228 provides additional information regarding the appropriations limit. Article XIII B, Section 9(C) of the California Constitution exempts certain special districts from the appropriations limit calculation mandate. The code section and the California Constitution can be accessed at the following website: <http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes.xhtml>.

Special districts required by law to calculate their appropriations limit must present the calculation as part of their annual audit. Any questions special districts have on this requirement should be directed to their county, district legal counsel, or the law itself. No state agency reviews the local appropriations limits.

Population Certification

The population certification program applies only to cities and counties. California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 11005.6 mandates Finance to automatically certify any population estimate that exceeds the current certified population with the State Controller's Office. **Finance will certify the higher estimate to the State Controller by June 1, 2025.**

Please Note: The prior year's city population estimates may be revised. The per capita personal income change is based on historical data.

If you have any questions regarding this data, please contact the Demographic Research Unit at (916) 323-4086.

JOE STEPHENSHAW
Director
By:

ERIKA LI
Chief Deputy Director

Attachment

- A. **Price Factor:** Article XIII B specifies that local jurisdictions select their cost of living factor to compute their appropriation limit by a vote of their governing body. The cost of living factor provided here is per capita personal income. If the percentage change in per capita personal income is selected, the percentage change to be used in setting the fiscal year 2025-26 appropriation limit is:

Per Capita Personal Income	
Fiscal Year (FY)	Percentage change over prior year
2025-26	6.44

- B. Following is an example using sample population change and the change in California per capita personal income as growth factors in computing a 2025-26 appropriation limit.

2025-26:

Per Capita Cost of Living Change = 6.44 percent
Population Change = 0.28 percent

Per Capita Cost of Living converted to a ratio: $\frac{6.44 + 100}{100} = 1.0644$

Population converted to a ratio: $\frac{0.28 + 100}{100} = 1.0028$

Calculation of factor for FY 2025-26: $1.0644 \times 1.0028 = 1.0674$

RESOLUTION 2025-06

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LAKESIDE WATER DISTRICT ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATION LIMIT FOR THE DISTRICT'S 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2025

WHEREAS, Article XIII B of the California Constitution ("Article XIII B") limits the appropriations of certain state and local agencies, including special districts; and

WHEREAS, Lakeside Water District (the "District"), an irrigation district, is a local jurisdiction and special district subject to the provisions of Article XIII B; and

WHEREAS, Division 9 of Title 1 of the Government Code (commencing at Section 7900) sets forth certain procedures and requirements to be followed by the District in fixing and determining its appropriations limit; and

WHEREAS, Section 7910(a) of the Government Code requires the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"), as the governing body of the District, by resolution, to establish the appropriations limit of the District and to make other necessary determinations for the following fiscal year pursuant to Article XIII B at a regularly scheduled or noticed special meeting of the Board; and

WHEREAS, under Article XIII B the District's appropriations limit is to be adjusted each fiscal year to account for population and cost of living changes from the preceding fiscal year, with the determination of cost of living changes to be made with reference to either (A) the percentage change in California per capita personal income from the preceding year, or (B) the percentage change in the local assessment roll from the preceding year for the District due to the addition of local nonresidential new construction, with the method of determination of the cost of living changes to be established annually by a recorded vote of the District's governing body; and

WHEREAS, the District has received data and information from the Department of Finance and from the County of San Diego Auditor/Controller pertinent to the calculation of the percentage changes in population and cost of living applicable to the District (collectively, the "Determination Data"); and

WHEREAS, the Board desires that the District's cost of living change be determined with reference to the percentage change in California per capita personal income from the preceding year; and

WHEREAS, tax payments are made by the County of San Diego to the District in such a manner that, for the purpose of determining the District's appropriations limit the proceeds thereof are deemed as having been received during the fiscal year of the District for which the taxes are budgeted and authorized; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of Section 7910(a) of the Government Code, at least fifteen days prior to the date of this meeting the documentation used in the determination of the District's appropriations limit and other necessary determinations have been made available to the public at the office of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board has fully considered all of the foregoing, including the applicable provisions of Article XIII B and the Government Code referenced above, the revenues and expenditures of the District during the relevant years, the Determination Data, the reports and recommendations of staff and the advice of counsel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of Lakeside Water District, as follows:

1. The Board hereby determines the above recitals to be true and correct.
2. The Board hereby establishes the District's appropriations limit for its 2025-2026 fiscal year, commencing July 1, 2024, at \$874,822.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of Lakeside Water District at a public meeting of said Board held the 3rd day of June, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

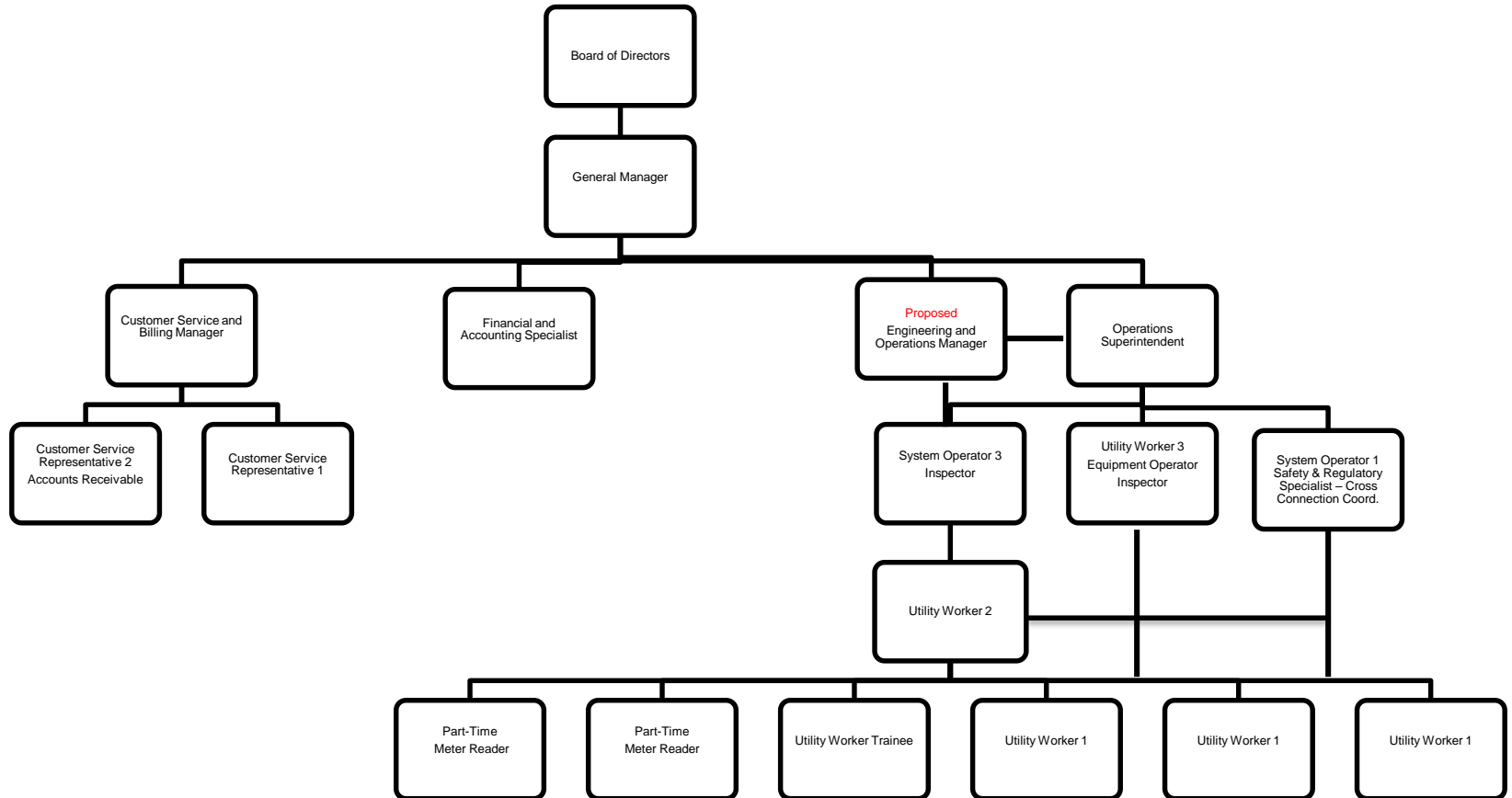
ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Eileen Neumeister, President
Board of Director's

ATTEST: _____
Brett Sanders, Board Secretary
Lakeside Water District

Lakeside Water District Organizational Chart 2025 Proposed



Lakeside Water District

Engineering and Operations Manager

Definition:

Under supervision of the General Manager, performs engineering and water distribution and treatment project work in conformance with procedures, policies, approved civil engineering methods and professional techniques as defined by applicable standards, legal, and technical requirements as found in the California Code of Regulations and the AWWA Standards for Water Systems in support of District responsibilities.

Primary Duties:

Project Management:

Plans and manages approved capital improvement projects of pump stations, water treatment and distribution systems, and related facilities. Coordinates assigned capital projects with other departments and outside agencies. Develops and manages budgets, records costs, and schedules of assigned projects. Manages the selection of consultants for assigned projects including development of requests for proposals, preparation of scope of work and negotiation of agreements. Prepares recommendations to the governing board on projects and makes oral and written presentations. Analyzes billings and progress payment requests and recommends payment. Researches and obtains project required legal, regulatory and technical materials. Obtains information and produces documents needed to arrange change orders and other alterations of approved contracts. Coordinates CEQA compliance for projects.

Engineering Studies and Designs:

Prepares and conducts detailed engineering field studies, cost estimates and reports to identify future facility needs and as required to prepare capital improvement projects for implementation. Maintains the District's 100 Year Asset Management Plan, Works with property developers to complete reviews and letters as required by regulating agencies. Researches and prepares information and data for engineering projects involving the application of multiple legal, technical, or regulatory requirements. Performs engineering design work including preparing drawings, exhibits, maps and other project materials.

Other Assigned Duties:

Works with the Operations Superintendent to implement Operations and Maintenance goals of the District, and prepares information for the General Manager to be reported to the Board of Directors updating budget Operations expenditures and scheduling of special projects. Participates in the general housekeeping and administrative record keeping operations of the department. Assumes responsibility for covering a part of the work assignments of other engineering staff during short absences as assigned. Facilitates and participates in teams engaged with process and customer service improvements, cross-training, and team performance evaluations.

Prepares and presents formal reports and recommendations as appropriate. Participates in District committees and staff functions. Performs other assigned work consistent with the responsibilities assigned to the classification and necessary to effective department and District operations.

Qualifications:

A combination of training and experience which demonstrates that a person has obtained the required knowledge and is able to perform the required work (with reasonable accommodation, if needed). A person with the following combined training and experience would typically qualify to compete in a selection process:

EDUCATION: A Bachelor's Degree in Civil or a closely related field from an accredited college or university, or a combination of 10 year's Operating and Managing a Grade 4 Public Water System.

EXPERIENCE: Minimum of 10 years (10) years of progressively responsible professional engineering or water distribution system operations experience, a portion of which shall include planning, design or construction, and includes the experience of managing operations staff and the training to gain the knowledge necessary to perform the duties as described.

Knowledge of the following is required to perform the essential function:

- Engineering principles, standards, practices and technical support functions.
- Federal and state regulations applicable to Public Water Systems.
- Design, construction and basic operation of water treatment plants, distribution systems, pump stations, reservoirs and water wells.
- Materials, procedures and equipment used in the construction, operation and maintenance of water and wastewater systems.
- Civil engineering contract administration practices including development of designs, specifications, letting and evaluating bids, negotiating contracts, inspection standards, progress monitoring and conflict resolution mechanisms.
- Legal, regulatory and permit requirements applicable to public works projects.
- Principles and practices of supervision.

Ability to do the following is required to perform the essential function:

- Interpret and apply the general intent and specific provisions of multiple laws and regulations to particular conditions.
- Conduct engineering studies and complete capital improvement projects.
- Evaluate, plan and establish a sequence of action for projects to progress toward specific objectives.
- Provide verbal and written direction and advice to a wide variety of people and officials.
- Persuasively communicate ideas and assert a point of view in complex or controversial situations.

- Establish and maintain open and honest communications with co-workers at all levels of the organization.
- Exhibit and instill in subordinates a high customer service priority.
- Read, write and speak effectively.
- Perform mathematical, statistical, geometric and algebraic calculations common to civil engineering work.
- Perform or manage engineering studies and design work.

Physical Demands and Working Conditions

- Work in normal office environment with controlled lighting and ventilation and moderate noise levels.
- Shall be required to work outside of normal business hours to respond to emergency situations or as operational needs dictate.
- Periodic travel may be required for training, meetings, and other business purposes. Frequent sitting at desk for prolonged periods while using computer and/or in meetings.
- Occasionally reach above shoulder level to access or place files, paperwork or binders and related items on and off overhead cabinets.
- May as needed work near moving mechanical parts, in high, precarious places, and is exposed to toxic or caustic chemicals, fumes or airborne particles, risk of electrical shock, and vibration. The employee occasionally works in street/road traffic. The noise level is occasionally moderately loud. Perform simple grasping, pushing, pulling, and fine manipulation.
- Periodic kneeling, bending and/or stooping to retrieve or place documents, files and/or boxes on and off lower shelves, drawers or ground level.
- Operate automobiles and field communications equipment.
- Occasionally, may be required to ascend and descend ladders and stairs, tolerate physical presence at heights of up to 75 feet on outdoor catwalks and exterior walkways of large structures.

Required Licenses, Certifications and Registrations

- A valid California State Class C license must be maintained at all times. Continued maintenance of valid driver's license in compliance with established District vehicle operations standards, and the ability to be insured for the operation of a vehicle/District vehicle in accordance with the terms and conditions of the District's insurance program are conditions of continued employment.
- Maintenance of a State of California State Water Resources Control Board Water Distribution Operator Grade 4 Certification and a Water Treatment Operator Grade 3 certificate is a condition of employment.

Onsite – Lakeside Water District
10375 Vine Street
Lakeside, CA 92040

Full-Time Non-Exempt
SALARY RANGE
\$126,000 TO 174,000

6/3/2025 Proposed											2025-26 Proposed					
			PAY GRADES													
			LAKESIDE WATER DISTRICT													
Pay Grade	Pay Type	Class Code	Position	Min	Mid	Max		Annual Minimum	Annual Midpoint	Annual Maximum	MIN HRLY AVERAGE	MID HRLY AVERAGE	MAX HRLY AVERAGE			
SAL / EXEMPT																
50	MTHY	SAL/EX	General Manager	15,400.00	17,710.00	20,020.00		184,800.00	212,520.00	240,240.00	88.85	102.17	115.50			
SAL / NE																
*41 New Proposed	MTHY	SAL/NE	Engineering & Ops Manager	10,500.00	12,500.00	14,500.00		126,000.00	150,000.00	174,000.00	60.58	72.12	83.65			
40	MTHY	SAL/NE	Operations.Superintendent	8,000.00	10,464.25	12,928.50		96,000.00	125,571.00	155,142.00	46.15	60.37	74.59			
39					0.00											
38					0.00											
37	MTHY	SAL/NE		10,001.00	11,501.15	13,001.30		120,012.00	138,013.80	156,015.60	57.70	66.35	75.01			
36	MTHY	SAL/NE	Finance and Accounting Specl.	7,000.00	8,500.00	10,000.00		84,000.00	102,000.00	120,000.00	40.38	49.04	57.69			
35	MTHY	SAL/NE	Cust. Serv. & Billing Manager	7,000.00	8,500.00	10,000.00		84,000.00	102,000.00	120,000.00	40.38	49.04	57.69			
34	MTHY	SAL/NE		0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
33	MTHY	SAL/NE	System Operator 3	7,044.00	8,100.60	9,157.20		84,528.00	97,207.20	109,886.40	40.64	46.73	52.83			
32	MTHY	SAL/NE	Utility Worker 3	6,491.00	7,464.65	8,438.30		77,892.00	89,575.80	101,259.60	37.45	43.07	48.68			
31	MTHY	SAL/NE	System Operator 2	6,078.00	6,989.70	7,901.40		72,936.00	83,876.40	94,816.80	35.07	40.33	45.59			
30	MTHY	SAL/NE		5,700.00	6,555.00	7,410.00		68,400.00	78,660.00	88,920.00	32.88	37.82	42.75			
29	MTHY	SAL/NE	Utility Worker 2	5,594.00	6,433.10	7,272.20		67,128.00	77,197.20	87,266.40	32.27	37.11	41.96			
28	MTHY	SAL/NE	System Operator 1	5,550.00	6,382.50	7,215.00		66,600.00	76,590.00	86,580.00	32.02	36.82	41.63			
27	MTHY	SAL/NE	Customer Service Rep. 2	5,275.00	6,066.25	6,857.50		63,300.00	72,795.00	82,290.00	30.43	35.00	39.56			
26	MTHY	SAL/NE	Utility Worker 1	4,903.00	5,638.45	6,373.90		58,836.00	67,661.40	76,486.80	28.29	32.53	36.77			
25	MTHY	SAL/NE	Customer Service Rep. 1	4,558.00	5,241.70	5,925.40		54,696.00	62,900.40	71,104.80	26.30	30.24	34.19			
24	MTHY	SAL/NE	Utility Worker Trainee	4,074.00	4,685.10	5,296.20		48,888.00	56,221.20	63,554.40	23.50	27.03	30.56			
23	MTHY	SAL/NE		3,384.00	3,891.60	4,399.20		40,608.00	46,699.20	52,790.40	19.52	22.45	25.38			
6/3/2025			Ranges Revised - Salary Schedule													

OPERATIONS REPORT
June 2025
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

General Operation:

- *Work with Solar Company installers*
- *Reservoir Dive Inspection and Cleaning*
- *Preparation for SCADA upgrades to South end of district*
- *Coping easement maintenance*

Contractor/ Developer/ County Projects:

- *AWP pipeline crossings and inspections.*

District Emergencies Repairs:

- *Main breaks Dig in on Riverside, Failure on Riverside*
- *Service leaks 0*
- *Fire hydrants 0*

LAKESIDE WATER DISTRICT 5 YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

2025/26 through 2029/30
Draft Presentation to Board

June 2025

Exhibit A

C=Complete IP=In Progress AC=Annual Capital MT=Moved To MF=Moved From A=Annual
Moved From Moved To Bring In New Carryover Engineering Only

2024/2025	(Current FY for Reference)	Total	\$ 668,000
Vine St. Operations Center Solar Energy System		(Carryover)	\$ 275,000
Yerba Valley Annexation Pipeline Installation			\$ 300,000
Buildings & Land Improvements			\$ 4,000
O & M Equipment (Replacement Construction Equipment)			\$ 10,000
Office Furniture & Equipment			\$ 4,000
Plant & Distribution (Miscellaneous System Upgrades)			\$ 25,000
New Service & Meters			\$ 10,000
CIP Design and Engineering (Miscellaneous System Upgrades)			\$ 40,000
2025/2026		Total	\$ 724,000
Administration Office Board Room Expansion Project		(NEW)	\$ 175,000N
Yerba Valley Annexation Pipeline Installation		(Carryover)	\$ 425,000
Julian Ave. Multiple Pipe Replacement (Los Coches Rd. to Lakeview Rd.)			\$ 20,000MF
(Engineering) (Moved From 2022/23)			
Single Oak Pump Station Rehabilitation (Build 1972)		(Engineering) (MF 22/23)	\$ 20,000MT
(Moved to 26/27)			
SCADA Telemetry Upgrade (Riverview Service Area)			\$ 30,000
Buildings & Land Improvements			\$ 4,000
O & M Equipment (Replacement Construction Equipment)			\$ 10,000
Office Furniture & Equipment			\$ 15,000

Plant & Distribution (Miscellaneous System Upgrades)	\$ 30,000
New Service & Meters	\$ 10,000
CIP Design and Engineering	\$ 5,000

2026/2027	Total	\$1,519,000
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Vine Street Well 9 Construction Project (New) (Moved to 2028-29)	\$1,100,000MT
Administration Office Board Room Expansion Project (NEW)	\$ 250,000N
Single Oak Pump Station Piping and Pump Upgrade (Moved to 2027-28)	(\$ 175,000)MT
Single Oak Pump Station Rehabilitation (Built 1972) (Engineering) (MF 22/23)	\$ 20,000 MF
Julian Ave. Multiple Pipe Replacement (Los Coches Rd. to Lakeview Rd.) (Moved From 2022/23) (Two-year project, first year)	\$1,100,000MF
Vehicle Replacement (Truck 4 – ¼ tn. Service Truck) (Sport Trac) (one of two vehicle purchases to be electric) (Moved From 2023/24)	\$ 75,000MF
Buildings & Land Improvements	\$ 4,000
O & M Equipment (Replacement Construction Equipment)	\$ 10,000
Office Furniture & Equipment	\$ 15,000
Plant & Distribution (Miscellaneous System Upgrades)	\$ 30,000
New Service & Meters	\$ 10,000
CIP Design and Engineering	\$ 5,000

2027/2028	Total	\$1,474,000
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Vine Street Well 9 (Engineering) (New) (Moved from 2026/27)	\$ 45,000N
Single Oak Reservoir Rehabilitation (1996) (In from 5-yr. Projection) (Move to 2028/29)	(\$ 450,000)MT
Julian Ave. (Los Coches to Lakeview) (Multiple Pipe Consolidation) (Moved from 2022/23) (Two year project, second year)	\$1,100,000MF
Single Oak Pump Station Piping and Pump Upgrade (Built 1972) (Moved from 2023/24)	\$ 225,000MF
Riverview Service Area Emergency Intake #1 (Move to 5 yr. Projection)	(\$ 200,000)MT

Vehicle Replacement (Service Truck)	\$ 40,000
Buildings & Land Improvements	\$ 4,000
Vehicle Replacement	\$ 35,000
O & M Equipment (Replacement Construction Equipment)	\$ 10,000
Office Furniture & Equipment	\$ 15,000
Plant & Distribution (Miscellaneous System Upgrades)	\$ 30,000
New Service & Meters	\$ 10,000
CIP Design and Engineering	\$ 5,000

2028/2029	Total	\$ 2,224,000
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Vine Street Well 9 Construction Project (New)	(Moved from 2028-29)	\$1,100,000N
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El Monte Reservoir Tank Rehabilitation Built in 1960	(Moved From 2023/24)	\$ 950,000MF
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Lakeshore Drive Pipeline Replacement Vine St. to Pino Dr.		(\$1,700,000)MT
(Move to 2029/33 Projection)		

Single Oak Reservoir Rehabilitation 1996 (Rehab)	(Engineering)	\$ 20,000MF
(Moved from 2026/27)		

Johnson Lake Pump Station Rehab. (Built in 1972)	(Engineering)	\$ 20,000MF
(Moved from 2023/24)		

Wintergardens Pump Station Rehabilitation (Built 1981)	(Engineering) (NEW)	\$ 20,000N
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Buildings & Land Improvements	\$ 4,000
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Vehicle Replacement (Service Truck)	\$ 40,000
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O & M Equipment (Replacement Construction Equipment)	\$ 10,000
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Office Furniture & Equipment	\$ 15,000
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Plant & Distribution (Miscellaneous System Upgrades)	\$ 30,000
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New Service & Meters	\$ 10,000
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CIP Design and Engineering	\$ 5,000
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2029/2030	Total	\$ 1,510,000
Wintergardens Pump Station Rehabilitation (Built 1981) (Rehab) (NEW)		\$ 450,000N
Johnson Lake Pump Station Rehab. (Built in 1972) (Rehab) (Moved from 2023/24)		\$ 476,000MF
Single Oak Reservoir Rehabilitation Last Rehab 1998 (Moved from 2026/27)		\$ 450,000MF
Lakeshore Drive Pipeline Repl. (Vine St. to Lakeview Rd.) (Engineering) (NEW)		\$ 20,000N
Buildings & Land Improvements		\$ 4,000
Vehicle Replacement (Service Truck)		\$ 40,000
O & M Equipment (Replacement Construction Equipment)		\$ 10,000
Office Furniture & Equipment		\$ 15,000
Plant & Distribution (Miscellaneous System Upgrades)		\$ 30,000
New Service & Meters		\$ 10,000
CIP Design and Engineering		\$ 5,000

INFORMATION BELOW WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN 5 YEAR CIP RESOLUTION

2030 - 2065 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTION

2030/31 – 2035/36

<u>Pipeline Replacements</u>		<u>\$5,000,000</u>
Lakeshore Dr. Pipeline Repl. Vine St. to Lakeview Dr.		\$2,300,000
Los Coches Main Extension (Los Coches Rd. to 9623 Los Coches Rd.)		\$ 110,000
Wintergardens Blvd. at Woodside Ave. Pipeline Interconnection (Increase flow capability and connection clean-up)		\$ 275,000
Casa Vista Pipeline Repl. Consolidate and Extend (Move from 2020/21)		\$ 90,000MF
Rocoso Road (Euc Hills Drive to No. end) (Moved from 2023/2024)		\$1,600,000MF
Willow Road Pipeline Upsize Project (Moved from 2022/23)		\$ 475,000MF
<u>Pump Station Upgrades</u>		<u>\$2,100,000</u>
Highway 67 Pump Station -	1977 (Built)	
El Monte Pump Station -	1977 (Built)	
Emerald Grove Pump Station -	1975 (Built)	
Riverview Emergency #1 -	1972 (Built)	

Reservoir Recoating's/Rehabilitations	\$4,000,000
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Steel:

Lakeside Ave Reservoir	Built 1977 Last Rehab 2017 Coating & Access
Sky Rim Reservoir	Built 2002 Last Rehab NA
Johnson Lake Reservoir	Built 1960 Last Rehab 2023 Coating/Vent/2017
El Monte Reservoir	Built 1960 Last Rehab 1997
Single Oak Reservoir	Built 1966 Last Rehab 1998 Coating/Vent 2017
Valle Vista Reservoir #1	Built 1966 Last Rehab 2003 Coating/Vent 2017
Valle Vista Reservoir #2	Built 2003 Last Rehab 2014
High Meadow Ranch Reservoir	Built 2006 Last Rehab NA

Concrete:

Gay Rio Reservoir	Built 1968/ Seismic and Roof Upgrade 2017
Poteet Reservoir	Built 1975/ Roof RPL 2012
Sherman Reservoir	Built 1962/ Seismic Upgrade 2008/Roof 2022

Special Projects	\$4,000,000
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Riverview Well Field Well and Treatment Project	\$4,000,000
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Continuous Capital Replacement	\$3,000,000
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Vehicle Replacement	Service Truck Replacement (Electric Vehicle Mandate)	\$ 150,000
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Vehicle Replacement	#20 Dump Truck, Vacuum Trucks (Electric Vehicle Mandates)	\$ 225,000
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Buildings & Land Improvements	\$ 20,000
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O & M Equipment (Replacement Construction Equipment)	\$ 50,000
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Office Equipment	\$ 40,000
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Plant & Distribution (Miscellaneous System Upgrades)	\$ 160,000
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New Service & Meters	\$ 50,000
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CIP Design and Engineering	\$ 25,000
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2035/36 – 2040/41 Overview

Pipeline Replacements	\$7,500,000
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Pump Station Upgrades	\$1,900,000
Amato Pump Station –	1985 (New)

Reservoir Recoatings/Rehabilitations

Steel:

Lakeside Ave Reservoir	Built 1977 Last Rehab 2017 Coating & Access
Sky Rim Reservoir	Built 2002 Last Rehab NA
Johnson Lake Reservoir	Built 1960 Last Rehab 2023 Coating/Vent/2017
El Monte Reservoir	Built 1960 Last Rehab 1997
Single Oak Reservoir	Built 1966 Last Rehab 1998 Coating/Vent 2017
Valle Vista Reservoir #1	Built 1966 Last Rehab 2003 Coating/Vent 2017
Valle Vista Reservoir #2	Built 2003 Last Rehab 2014
High Meadow Ranch Reservoir	Built 2006 Last Rehab NA

Concrete:

Gay Rio Reservoir	Built 1968/ Seismic and Roof Upgrade 2017
Poteet Reservoir	Built 1975/ Roof RPL 2012
Sherman Reservoir	Built 1962/ Seismic Upgrade 2008/Roof 2022

Vine St. Filter #1	Filter Media replacement	Last Done 2013	\$ 55,000
Vine St. Filter #2	Filter Media replacement	Last Done 2014	\$ 55,000
Vehicle Replacement			\$ 150,000
Backhoe Replacement			\$ 110,000
Buildings & Land Improvements			\$ 20,000
O & M Equipment	(Replacement Construction Equipment)		\$ 50,000
Office Equipment			\$ 20,000
Plant & Distribution	(Miscellaneous System Upgrades)		\$ 160,000
New Service & Meters			\$ 50,000
CIP Design and Engineering			\$ 25,000

2040/41 – 2045/46 Projection

Pipeline Replacements \$7,500,000

Pump Station Replacements

Gay Rio Pump Station Last Rehab 2019

Reservoir Recoatings and Rehabilitations

Steel:

Lakeside Ave Reservoir	Built 1977 Last Rehab
Sky Rim Reservoir	Built 2002 Last Rehab

Johnson Lake Reservoir Last
El Monte Reservoir
Single Oak Reservoir
Valle Vista Reservoir #1
Valle Vista Reservoir #2
High Meadow Ranch Reservoir

Built 1960 Last Rehab
Built 1960 Last Rehab
Built 1966 Last Rehab
Built 1966 Last Rehab
Built 2003 Last Rehab
Built 2006 Last Rehab

Concrete:

Gay Rio Reservoir
Poteet Reservoir
Sherman Reservoir

Built 1968/ Seismic and Roof Upgrade 2017
Built 1975/ Roof RPL 2012
Built 1962/ Seismic Upgrade 2008/Roof 2022

Building Repair and Replacement

2045/46 – 2050/51 Projection

Pipeline Replacements \$7,500,000

Pump Station Upgrades \$1,900,000

Reservoir Recoatings/Rehabilitations

Steel: Lakeside Ave Reservoir
Sky Rim Reservoir
Johnson Lake Reservoir Last
El Monte Reservoir
Single Oak Reservoir
Valle Vista Reservoir #1
Valle Vista Reservoir #2
High Meadow Ranch Reservoir

Built 1977 Last Rehab
Built 2002 Last Rehab
Built 1960 Last Rehab
Built 1960 Last Rehab
Built 1966 Last Rehab
Built 1966 Last Rehab
Built 2003 Last Rehab
Built 2006 Last Rehab

Concrete:

Gay Rio Reservoir
Poteet Reservoir
Sherman Reservoir

Built 1968/ Seismic and Roof Upgrade 2017
Built 1975/ Roof Upgrade 2012
Built 1962/ Seismic Upgrade 2008/Roof 2022

2055-2066 Projection

Reservoir Recoatings/Rehabilitations

Steel: Lakeside Ave Reservoir
Sky Rim Reservoir
Johnson Lake Reservoir Last
El Monte Reservoir
Single Oak Reservoir
Valle Vista Reservoir #1
Valle Vista Reservoir #2
High Meadow Ranch Reservoir

Built 1977 Last Rehab
Built 2002 Last Rehab
Built 1960 Last Rehab
Built 1960 Last Rehab
Built 1966 Last Rehab
Built 1966 Last Rehab
Built 2003 Last Rehab
Built 2006 Last Rehab

Concrete:

Gay Rio Reservoir

Poteet Reservoir

Sherman Reservoir

Built 1968/ Seismic and Roof Upgrade 2017

Built 1975/ Roof RPL 2012

Built 1962/ Seismic Upgrade 2008/Roof 2022

Pump Station Upgrades

Poteet Hydropneumatic Pump Station

Built 2006

High Meadow Ranch Pump Station

Built 2007

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Lakeside Water District
Disbursements List
May 2025

Num	Name	Account	Original Amount
16897	A & B Lawnmower Shop	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	106.36
16898	Alpha Analytical Laboratories, Inc.	5080 · Water Treatment & Testing	508.00
16899	American Fence Co Inc.	5200 · Water Treatment -Maint/Supplies	289.80
16900	Boot World, Inc.	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	340.93
16901	Cintas First Aid & Safety	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	539.84
16902	Costco	7440 · Dues & Subscriptions	22.18
16903	FedEx	5080 · Water Treatment & Testing	262.78
16904	Ferguson Waterworks	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	789.47
16905	HASA	5200 · Water Treatment -Maint/Supplies	1,028.40
16906	Lakeside Equipment	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	298.73
16907	Napa Auto Parts Inc	6200 · Trucks-Fuel,Maintenance,Repa	596.29
16908	Northern Safety Co., Inc.	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	389.43
16909	San Diego County Water Authority	5000 · Water Purchases	6,542.00
16910	Sheets, Gregory	7230 · Consultants	225.00
16911	UniFirst Corp	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	450.84
16912	United Site Services, Inc.	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	96.48
16913	WestAir	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	126.85
16914	Wintergardens Smog & Tune	6200 · Trucks-Fuel,Maintenance,Repa	1,059.52
16915	Variable Annuity Life Insurance	2100 · Payroll Liabilities	5,095.33
16916	Standard Insurance	7040 · Group Insurance	533.58
16917	Asphalt & Concrete Enterprises, Inc	6400 · Outside Labor	9,988.00
16918	BUETTGENBACH, DOUG	4000 · Water Sales on Account	132.74
16919	DRODDY, DANIEL	4000 · Water Sales on Account	155.33
16920	FLYING DOG ENTERPRISES	4000 · Water Sales on Account	173.37
16921	GOLDEN KEY HOMES LLC	4000 · Water Sales on Account	131.80
16922	GOLDSTEIN, MELISA	4000 · Water Sales on Account	130.58
16923	HOWLAND, BILL	4000 · Water Sales on Account	117.02
16924	MEYER, BRADLEY	4000 · Water Sales on Account	62.23
16925	MIDDLETON, RAY & SUZANNE	4000 · Water Sales on Account	66.00
16926	Mora, Namuka	4000 · Water Sales on Account	152.74
16927	PARSONS, ANDREW & JANNA	4000 · Water Sales on Account	161.34
16928	PERES-CASTRO, JANET	4000 · Water Sales on Account	83.50
16929	REVAK, BARBARA W.	4000 · Water Sales on Account	199.74
16930	TUCKER, ELIZABETH	4000 · Water Sales on Account	180.98
16931	ZALDIVAR, JARROD	4000 · Water Sales on Account	95.68
16932	A & B Saw & Lawnmower Shop	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	53.87
16933	AA Beekeeper, Inc.	6400 · Outside Labor	1,250.00
16934	ACWA - Group Ins	7040 · Group Insurance	32,251.46
16935	All Star Computers	6410 · Engineering	100.00
16936	America's Finest City Backflow Serv	6400 · Outside Labor	245.00
16937	American Fence Co Inc	1510 · Buildings & Land Improvements	13,684.00
16938	American Messaging	7400 · Office Expense	101.18
16939	City Treasurer	5200 · Water Treatment -Maint/Supplies	1,952.00
16940	Crisplmaging Inc.	7401 · Administrative Expense	576.02
16941	Excel Telemessaging	7400 · Office Expense	150.59
16942	Harris Computer Systems	7440 · Dues & Subscriptions	11,434.42
16943	HASA	5200 · Water Treatment -Maint/Supplies	787.37
16944	Helix Water District	5080 · Water Treatment & Testing	735.00
16945	Imperial Sprinkler Supply	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	53.86
16946	Jan-Pro	7400 · Office Expense	350.00
16947	Metropolitan Compounds, Inc.	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	2,692.00
16948	Payton's Hardware, Inc.	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	542.89
16949	Quadient - Postage	7400 · Office Expense	2,000.00
16950	Republic Services	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	741.26

16900	Boot World, Inc.	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	340.93
16951	SiteOne Rock & Block	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	412.54
16952	Snell & Wilmer	7210 · Attorney Fees	507.00
16953	Underground Service Alert	7440 · Dues & Subscriptions	135.80
16954	UniFirst Corp	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	483.92
16955	Wave.Band	7400 · Office Expense	945.98
16956	Wintergardens Smog & Tune	6200 · Trucks-Fuel,Maintenance,Repa	1,009.91
16957	ANGIONE, JAMES	4000 · Water Sales on Account	168.75
16958	High Meadow Ranch LP	Split	2,355.00
16959	Stephen Fick	Split	801.00
16960	Alpha Analytical Laboratories, Inc	5080 · Water Treatment & Testing	508.00
16961	El Cajon Ford	6200 · Trucks-Fuel,Maintenance,Repa	198.62
16962	Ferguson Waterworks	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	1,018.13
16963	HASA	5200 · Water Treatment -Maint/Supplie	1,004.30
16964	Imperial Sprinkler Supply	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	2.27
16965	Lakeside Petroleum, Inc.	6200 · Trucks-Fuel,Maintenance,Repa	2,554.70
16966	Napa Auto Parts Inc	6200 · Trucks-Fuel,Maintenance,Repa	135.19
16967	Pacific Pipeline Supply, Inc.	1550 · Pumping Plant & Distribution	2,852.27
16968	Sheets, Gregory	7230 · Consultants	500.00
16969	UniFirst Corp	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	450.84
16970	United Site Service, Inc.	6100 · Distribution - Maint/Supplies	96.48
16971	Wintergardens Smog & Tune	6200 · Trucks-Fuel,Maintenance,Repa	414.11
16972	***included in payroll below	Payroll Check	0.00
16973	Standard Insurance	7040 · Group Insurance	513.25
16974	Variable Annuity Life Insurance	2100 · Payroll Liabilities	5,116.13
16975	Techniclean, Inc.	7400 · Office Expense	250.00
eft	First Bankcard - Visa	First Bankcard	2,817.03
eft	First Bankcard - Visa	First Bankcard	794.60
eft	San Diego County Water Authority	5000 · Water Purchases	550,011.76
eft	Paya ACH Fee	7400 · Office Expense	10.00
eft	Paya ACH Fee	7400 · Office Expense	45.00
eft	Paya ACH Fee	7400 · Office Expense	79.70
eft	Paya ACH Fee	7400 · Office Expense	99.27
eft	Paya ACH Fee	7400 · Office Expense	102.30
eft	Paya ACH Fee	7400 · Office Expense	120.00
eft	Paya ACH Fee	7400 · Office Expense	922.25
eft	Bankcard CC Fee	7400 · Office Expense	3,609.35
eft	US Bank-Register	7400 · Office Expense	28.03
eft	InvoiceCloud Fee	7400 · Office Expense	2,244.20
eft	US Bank-Fees	7400 · Office Expense	847.88
eft	Verizon	7400 · Office Expense	144.15
eft	SDGE	5100 · Electric Power	22,895.56
eft	SDGE	5100 · Electric Power	1,083.26
eft	SDGE	5100 · Electric Power	485.11
eft	SDGE	5100 · Electric Power	42.19
eft	SDGE	5100 · Electric Power	23.41
payroll	Payroll	Split	67,951.41
			704,630.04



SUMMARY OF FORMAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MAY 22, 2025

1. Monthly Treasurer's Report on Investments and Cash Flow.
The Board noted and filed the monthly Treasurer's Report.
2. Resolution setting a Public Hearing date and time for proposed CY 2026 Rates and Charges.
The Board adopted Resolution No. 2025-13, setting the time and place for a public hearing on June 26, 2025, at or after 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as may practicably be heard, during the Administrative and Finance Committee meeting, to receive comments regarding the recommended rates and charges.
3. Butterfly and plug valve procurement for the Ramona Pipeline Buried Valves Replacement project.
The Board awarded a contract to Cascade Consultants LLC in the amount of \$818,276 to purchase 23 butterfly valves for the Ramona Pipeline Buried Valves Replacement project.; and awarded a contract to Cascade Consultants LLC in the amount of \$157,019 to purchase 11 plug valves for the Ramona Pipeline Buried Valves Replacement project.
4. The Board approved the minutes of the Formal Board of Directors' meeting of April 24, 2025 and the Special Administrative and Finance Committee minutes of April 29 and 30, 2025.
5. The Board adopted Resolution No. 2025-12, a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the San Diego County Water Authority, honoring Fern Steiner upon her retirement from the Board of Directors.

General Managers
Quarterly Report – State of the District & Report of Capital Outlays and Expenses

June 3, 2025
Board of Directors Meeting

The top issues facing the District in the 3rd quarter of 2025 are;

- 1) Yerba Valley Annexation;**
- 2) Administration Building Solar;**

Our Current Capital Outlays for fiscal year 2024/25 are for the following;

	Budget	%Complete
a. Plant & Distribution	\$ 25,000	144
b. New Services and Meters	\$ 10,000	213
c. O & M Equipment	\$ 10,000	0
d. Building & Land Improvements	\$ 4,000	342
e. Office Equipment & Furnishings	\$ 4,000	0
f. Office Solar	\$ 275,000	90
g. Capital Improvement Design/Engineering	\$ 40,000	110
h. Pumping Plant & Distribution	\$ 25,000	73
i. Building and Land Improvements	\$ 10,000	0
j. Yerba Valley Annexation Pipeline	\$ 300,000	0
Budget Total	\$ 668,000	
Current Outlay	\$ 363,390	41%

News Articles/Editorials Enclosed:

Agency looks at reducing water discount for farmers

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County Water Authority's plan to address drop in demand could hurt local agriculture



Citrus fields line a road in Pauma Valley. Local farmers are lobbying against the cash-strapped County Water Authority's new plan to shrink a longtime subsidy for agricultural users. The proposal comes when agricultural acreage is already in sharp decline. Nelvin C. Cepeda / U-T

BY DAVID GARRICK

UNION-TRIBUNE

Local farmers are fighting against a plan to sharply reduce their special water rate discount, contending it could wipe out much of the county's already-shrinking agriculture industry.

The cash-strapped County Water Authority says it must roll back the longtime rate discount it now gives to roughly 1,000 local farmers because of dropping demand and changes to the authority's business model.

Farmers say the rate hike proposal is shortsighted because it would accelerate the demise of many farms, stripping the water authority of existing customers at a time when it needs more customers — not less.

Losing hundreds of local farms would also hurt ordinary San Diegans, the farmers say, by replacing local fruits and vegetables with imported produce that would be more expensive and less fresh.

"To jeopardize what we have here — that serves not only the local community but the rest of the state and the county — would be very shortsighted," said Dana Groot, president of the county Farm Bureau board. "We are losing agricultural acreage every year and water rates play a significant role in that."

The discounted rate, which has existed since at least 2008 and was made permanent by the water authority's board in 2020, is called the permanent special agricultural water rate, or PSAWR — pronounced "pee-zar."

While the discount varies from local water agency to water agency, it is typically in the neighborhood of 25%.

Local strawberry farmer Neil Ngata told the water authority board last week that the discount rate is keeping many farms in business.

"The PSAWR is one of the only things helping us stay alive," he said. "I cannot see that the costs should be pushed on to farmers who are barely making it."

Farmers are facing higher costs for labor, supplies, equipment, transportation and fuel.

The proposed hike to the PSAWR, which could amount to a cumulative rate increase as large as 50% in coming years, comes with the water authority in a precarious financial position.

The authority has been imposing consistent double-digit rate increases on local water agencies in recent years primarily because of declining demand.

The key problem is that the authority is contractually obligated to buy more water than its member agencies typically need, forcing it to raise rates to cover its built-in costs for infrastructure, storage and operations.

More broadly, the authority borrowed money to build and maintain a significantly larger water storage and delivery system than is now needed.

Shrinking the PSAWR discount could make a small dent in the authority's problems.

Dan Denham, the authority's general manager, stressed last week that no firm decisions have been made on how much to roll back the PSAWR.

He plans to unveil a proposal this fall for multi-year rate increases that would take effect in January 2027.

But the water authority board will be asked to vote next month on the preliminary step of starting to charge PSAWR customers for water storage, a service they haven't been paying for.

Because lower demand means less of the water used by farmers comes from the Metropolitan Water District and more of it comes from the water authority's broader supply, officials say it makes sense for PSAWR customers to pay for storage.

Critics say hiking the PSAWR is shortsighted because it threatens to kill off a customer class the water authority can't afford to lose.

"We know the water board needs to make money and it's hard to justify the PSAWR rate," said Harold Stewart, who grows avocados and flowers. "But once the farmers are gone, you're not going to have those water sales at all — and they're not going to come back."

Denham says a key solution to the water authority's problems is finding customers in other states and regions to buy some of the authority's oversupply of water. It would be counterproductive to lose agricultural customers when the authority is looking to broaden its customer base.

Lindsay Leahy, who represents Oceanside on the water authority board, requested last week an analysis of how much overall rates would need to rise if all water demand through the PSAWR program were to go away.

Pierce Rossum, the authority's rate and debt manager, said the upward pressure on rates would be similar to when Rainbow and Fallbrook left the water authority in 2023. When customers go away, rates must go up because remaining customers must cover the built-in costs, he said.

San Diego has just over 4,000 farms, with 94% of them family owned, according to the county's 2023 crop report. The total agricultural output was \$1.66 billion in 2023, the report said.

Gary Arant, who represents Valley Center on the water authority board, said agricultural demand for water has dropped sharply over the last two decades.

He said demand was roughly 110,000 acre-feet to 120,000 acre-feet in the late 1990s and early 2000s, but is now about 13,000 acre-feet.

Teresa Acosta, who represents Carlsbad on the water authority board, said she doesn't want to see those numbers keep going down.

"I'm happy to revise our cost methodology, but I don't want to put people out of business," Acosta said. "I think we need to find a happy solution somewhere in the middle."

Rossum stressed that the PSAWR is not a subsidy, where one class of customers pays more so that another class can pay less, because that is illegal under state law.

He explained that farmers pay less in exchange for agreeing that their water supply will get cut off before others if there is a severe shortage.

"It is not a subsidy or a discount, it is simply a reflection of a lower level of service," Rossum said.

Avocado grower Patte Hughes is lobbying against changes to the PSAWR.

"The financial challenges to continue growing food become more daunting every year," she said. "A little here, a little there, adds up to a lot."