



AGENDA  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Board of Directors**  
**Monterey Peninsula Water Management District**  
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**Monday, March 17, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. [PST]**

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

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**CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Board of Directors</u></b>          George Riley, Chair – Division 2          Ian Oglesby, Vice-Chair – Mayoral Representative          Amy Anderson, Chair – Division 5          Alvin Edwards – Division 1          Rebecca Lindor – Division 3          Karen Paull – Division 4          Kate Daniels – Monterey County Board of Supervisors Representative</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>General Manager</u></b>          David J. Stoldt</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Mission Statement</u></b>          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.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Vision Statement</u></b>          Model ethical, responsible, and responsive governance in pursuit of our mission.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Board’s Goals and Objectives</u></b>          Are available online at: <a href="https://www.mpwmd.net/who-we-are/mission-vision-goals/">https://www.mpwmd.net/who-we-are/mission-vision-goals/</a></p>
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**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 February 24, 2025 and the Special Meeting/Board Workshop on February 28, 2025
2. Consider Adoption of Treasurer’s Report for January 2025

#### **GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT**

3. Status Report on California American Water Compliance with State Water Resources Control Board Order 2016-0016 and Seaside Groundwater Basin Adjudication Decision (*Verbal Report*)

#### **REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNSEL**

4. Report from District Counsel

#### **DIRECTORS’ REPORTS (INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS ON TRIPS, CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE AND MEETINGS)**

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

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

6. Consider Adoption of 2024 MPWMD Annual Report

*Recommended Action: The Board will conduct a public hearing and adopt the proposed 2024 MPWMD Annual Report with any changes or edits as recommended.*

7. Consider Adoption of April through June 2025 Quarterly Water Supply Strategy and Budget

*Recommended Action: The Board will consider approval of a proposed production strategy for the California American Water Distribution Systems for the three-month period of April through June 2025. The strategy sets monthly goals for surface and groundwater production from various sources within the California American Water systems.*

*CEQA Compliance: Notice of Exemption, CEQA, Article 19, section 15301 (Class 1)}*

*ESA Compliance: Consistent with the September 2001 and February 2009 Conservation Agreements between the National Marine Fisheries Service and California American Water to minimize take of listed steelhead in the Carmel River and Consistent with SWRCB WR Order Nos. 95-10, 98-04, 2002- 0002, and 2016-0016*

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

8. Consider Approval of Additional Budget for Legal Services from Shute Mihaly & Weinberger

Recommended Action: The Board will consider approving an additional budget of \$100,000 for Shute Mihaly & Weinberger.

9. Consider Adoption of District Strategic Goals and Objectives for 2025

Recommended Action: The Board will consider adopting the District's Strategic Goals and Objectives for 2025.

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

10. Consider Repeal of Ordinance No. 152

Recommended Action: The Board will provide staff general direction on whether to repeal Ordinance No. 152.

11. Discuss Seaside Subbasin Groundwater Divide Technical Memorandum

Recommended Action: The Board will discuss the Seaside Subbasin Groundwater Divide Technical Memorandum and provide staff general direction on the next steps.

**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.

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

13. Status Report on Expenditures – Public's Ownership of Monterey Water System

14. Letters Received and Sent Supplemental Letter Packet

15. Committee Reports

16. Monthly Allocation Report

17. Water Conservation Program Report for February 2025

18. Carmel River Fishery Report for February 2025

19. 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, April 21, 2025	Regular	6:00 p.m.
Monday, May 19, 2025	Regular	6:00 p.m.

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### **Options for Providing Public Comment**

#### **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.

#### **Submission of Written Public Comment**

Send written comments to District Office, 5 Harris Court, Building G, Monterey, CA or online at [comments@mpwmd.net](mailto:comments@mpwmd.net). Include the following subject line: "PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM #" (insert the agenda item number relevant to your comment). Written comments must be received by 3:00 PM on Monday, March 17, 2025. All submitted comments will be provided to the Board of Directors, compiled as part of the record, and placed on the District's website as part of the agenda packet for the meeting. Correspondence is not read during the public comment portion of the meeting.

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**ITEM: CONSENT CALENDAR****1. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING ON FEBRUARY 24, 2025 AND THE SPECIAL MEETING/BOARD WORKSHOP ON FEBRUARY 28, 2025****Meeting Date:** March 17, 2025 **Budgeted:** N/A**From:** David J. Stoldt,  
General Manager **Program/  
Line Item No.:** N/A**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 consideration are the draft minutes of the MPWMD Board of Directors' Regular Meeting on February 24, 2025 (**Exhibit 1-A**) and the Special Meeting/Board Workshop on February 28, 2025 (**Exhibit 1-B**).**RECOMMENDATION:** The Board will consider adopting the draft minutes of the Regular Meeting on February 24, 2025, and the Special Meeting/Board Workshop on February 28, 2025.**EXHIBIT****1-A** MPWMD Board of Directors' Regular Meeting on February 24, 2025**1-B** MPWMD Board of Directors' Special Meeting/Board Workshop on February 28, 2025

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**EXHIBIT 1-A**

**Draft Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
Board of Directors  
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District  
February 24, 2025 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 Riley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Board Members Present**

Amy Anderson  
Kate Daniels  
Alvin Edwards  
Rebecca Lindor  
Ian Oglesby, Vice Chair  
George Riley, Chair

**Board Members Absent**

Karen Paull

**District Staff Members Present**

David Stoldt, General Manager  
Nishil Bali, Chief Financial Officer / Administrative Services Manager  
Jonathan Lear, Water Resources Manager  
Stephanie Locke, Water Demand Manager  
Thomas Christensen, Environmental Resources Manager  
Kyle Smith, Conservation Representative II  
Sara Reyes, Clerk of the Board / Executive Assistant

**District Staff Members Absent**

None

**District Counsel Present**

David Laredo, De Lay & Laredo

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA**

General Manager David Stoldt reported that there were no additions or corrections to the agenda.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Chair Riley opened the Oral Communications period; however, no comments were made to the Board.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Chair Riley introduced the item.

Director Edwards requested Item 2 – Consider Expenditure of Budgeted Funds for Water Conservation Equipment --

be pulled for discussion.

Director Oglesby offered a motion, seconded by Anderson, to approve Consent Calendar items 1, 3, 4, and 5. The motion passed by a voice vote of 6 Ayes (Anderson, Daniels, Edwards, Lindor, Oglesby, and Riley) and 0 Noes.

Director Edwards offered a motion, seconded by Daniels, to approve Consent Calendar Item 2. The motion passed by a voice vote of 6 Ayes (Anderson, Daniels, Edwards, Lindor, Oglesby, and Riley) and 0 Noes.

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

- 1. Consider Adoption of Minutes of the Special and Regular Board Meeting on January 27, 2025**
- 2. Consider Expenditure of Budgeted Funds for Water Conservation Equipment**
- 3. Consider Adoption of Treasurer’s Report for December 2024**
- 4. Receive and File Second Quarter Financial Activity Report for Fiscal Year 2024-2025**
- 5. Consider Approval of the Second Quarter Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Investment Report**

#### **GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT**

Chair Riley introduced the item.

- General Manager Stoldt called attention to an article in the Monterey Herald highlighting the District’s Environmental Resources fish rescue crew. The article contained pictures of staff rescuing fish in the Carmel River. Acknowledgements were presented by the Board to the staff.
- Mr. Stoldt highlighted Item 19 of the meeting packet – the Water Conservation Program Report for January 2025. He referenced section II.C – Close the Open Permits Project – and stated this is a status report on the amnesty program requested by the Board.

#### **6. Status Report on California American Water Compliance with State Water Resources Control Board Order 2016-0016 and Seaside Groundwater Basin Adjudication Decision**

General Manager Stoldt provided information on the status of this agenda item through a slide-deck presentation titled “Status Report on Cal-Am Compliance with SWRCB Orders and Basin Decision as of February 1, 2025”. The board engaged in discussion. *A copy of the presentation is available at the District office and can be found on the District website.*

#### **7. Update on Water Supply Project**

General Manager Stoldt reported that the expansion of Pure Water Monterey remains on schedule despite some minor shutdowns from now through April at the advanced water purification facility in North Marina. The Board engaged in discussions.

#### **REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNSEL**

Chair Riley introduced the matter.

#### **8. Report From District Counsel and Report Out on Closed Session from January 27, 2025**

- District Counsel David Laredo reported that the Board met in Closed Session on January 27, 2025, and discussed two items: the General Manager’s Performance Evaluation, which is going to be discussed tonight in open session under Item 11/page 69 – Consider Approval of Amendment to Agreement for Employment of General Manager, and the status of five cases of the Monterey Peninsula Taxpayers Association against the District concerning the collection of the waters supply charge. Mr. Laredo reported that no reportable action was taken.
- District Counsel David Laredo referenced the litigation report on page 53 of the meeting packet and provided a brief overview.

Chair Riley opened the public comment period; however, no comments were made to the Board.

#### **DIRECTORS’ REPORTS (INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS ON TRIPS, CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE AND MEETINGS)**



Chair Riley introduced the matter.

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

- Director Daniels reported she visited the Carmel River during the weekend and observed how clean and clear it looked.
- Director Edwards reported on his attendance at the Seaside Basin Watermaster meeting on February 5, 2025. He stated his desire to post their Zoom meetings on the District’s YouTube channel.
- Director Riley read into the record his thoughts on the proposed California American Water Desal plant and the outdated estimation of the construction costs.

#### ACTION ITEM

Chair Riley introduced the matter.

#### 10. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 2025-01 Declaring the Week of March 17-23, 2025, to be “Fix A Leak Week”

Kyle Smith, Conservation Representative II, provided an overview of this item through a slide-deck presentation titled “Fix A Leak Week / March 17-23, 2025.” Mr. Smith reminded the Board and the public to identify and repair leaks in homes, businesses, and irrigation systems. He reported that the District offers leak detection kits for toilets, drip gauges for faucets, and WaterSense shower heads.

Chair Riley opened the public comment period; however, no comments were made to the Board:

A motion was made by Director Daniels, seconded by Director Lindor, to adopt Resolution No. 2025-01 declaring the week of March 17<sup>th</sup> through March 23<sup>rd</sup> to be Fix a Leak Week. The motion passed by a voice vote of 6 Ayes (Anderson, Daniels, Edwards, Lindor, Oglesby, and Riley), and 0 Noes.

#### 11. Consider Approval of Amendment to Agreement for Employment of General Manager

Chair Riley provided a brief overview of this item and asked the Board to present any questions or changes. The Board engaged in discussion.

Chair Riley opened the public comment period; however, no comments were made to the Board.

A motion was made by Director Edwards, seconded by Director Anderson, to approve compensation changes as shown in Amendment No. 7 to the Agreement for Employment of General Manager. The motion passed by a voice vote of 6 Ayes (Anderson, Daniels, Edwards, Lindor, Oglesby, and Riley) and 0 Noes.

#### 12. Consider Adoption of Mid-Year Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget Adjustment

Nishil Bali, Chief Financial Officer/ASD Manager, provided an overview of this item through a slide-deck presentation titled “Consider Adoption of Mid-Year Budget Adjustments for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.” Mr. Bali explained the various aspects of the budget and answered questions from the Board.

Chair Riley opened the public comment period, and the following comment was made to the Board:

- (1) Tom Rowley, Vice-President of the Monterey Peninsula Taxpayers Association, thanked staff for the detailed budget and expressed his satisfaction that the loss of the water supply charge was not adversely affecting District operations.

A motion was made by Director Daniels, seconded by Director Oglesby, to adopt the proposed mid-year budget adjustment for FY 2024-2025. The motion passed by a voice vote of 6 Ayes (Anderson, Daniels, Edwards, Lindor, Oglesby, and Riley) and 0 Noes.

#### 13. Consider Approval of District Legislative Advocacy Plan for 2025

General Manager Stoldt provided an overview of his report and the draft 2025 Legislative Advocacy Plan. Mr. Stoldt noted three subtle changes from last year:

- New Senator Adam Schiff for Federal Legislative Advocacy matters
- A priority for the District will be to work on lifting the Cease and Desist Order
- Obtaining information on a bill to allow Special Districts Enforcement Powers with regard to urban water efficiency objectives

Chair Riley opened the public comment period, and the following comment was made to the Board:

- (1) Tom Rowley, a Monterey Peninsula resident and retired Navy veteran, emphasized the importance of the District being aware of the Monterey Bay Defense Alliance and supporting the military in the future.

A motion was made by Director Lindor, seconded by Director Edwards, to adopt the proposed 2025 Legislative Advocacy Plan. The motion passed by a voice vote of 6 Ayes (Anderson, Daniels, Edwards, Lindor, Oglesby, and Riley) and 0 Noes.

#### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/STAFF REPORTS:**

- 14. Report on Activity/Progress on Contracts Over \$25,000**
- 15. Status Report on Spending – Public’s Ownership of Monterey Water System**
- 16. Letters Received and Sent**
- 17. Committee Reports**
- 18. Monthly Allocation Report**
- 19. Water Conservation Program Report for January 2025**
- 20. Carmel River Fishery Report for January 2025**
- 21. 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 can be found on the District website.*

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Riley adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

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Sara Reyes, Deputy District Secretary

Minutes approved by the MPWMD Board of Directors on \_\_\_\_\_, 2025

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**EXHIBIT 1-B**

**Draft Minutes  
Special and Board Workshop  
Board of Directors  
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District  
February 28, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.**

Meeting Location: Oak Shelter Room  
Asilomar Hotel and Conference Grounds / 800 Asilomar Avenue / Pacific Grove, CA 93950

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chair Riley called the meeting to order at 9:21 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Board Members Present**

George Riley, Chair  
Ian Oglesby, Vice Chair  
Karen Paull  
Rebecca Lindor  
Alvin Edwards

**Board Members Absent**

Kate Daniels  
Amy Anderson

**District Staff Members Present**

David Stoldt, General Manager  
Sara Reyes, Executive Assistant/Board Clerk

**District Staff Members Absent**

None

**District Counsel Present**

Michael Laredo, De Lay & Laredo  
David Laredo, De Lay & Laredo

**ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chair Riley opened the Public Comment period; however, no comments were made to the Board.

**INTRODUCTIONS / WORKSHOP OVERVIEW – David J. Stoldt, General Manager**

David J. Stoldt, General Manager provided introductory remarks and presented via MS PowerPoint titled, "MPWMD Strategic Planning Workshop". *A copy of the presentation is on file with the District and can be found on the District website.*

**DISCUSSION ITEM**

**1. Discuss and Draft Strategic Goals and Objectives for Calendar Year 2025**

The Board undertook the following actions:

- Reviewed the Board's role and responsibility in the Strategic Planning Process
- Reviewed the 2024 Goals and Objectives

- Anonymously identified 3-5 short-term goals for 2025
- Discussed and identified long-term goals for 2025

Following a discussion, the Board reached a consensus to direct the General Manager to finalize the agreed-upon 2025 Goals and Objectives and prepare a report for the Board's adoption at the March 17, 2025 meeting.

The Board recessed to lunch at 12:00 p.m. and continued its discussion.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

General Manager Stoldt adjourned the meeting at 12:26 p.m.

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Sara Reyes, Deputy District Secretary

Minutes approved by the MPWMD Board of Directors on \_\_\_\_\_, 2025

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**ITEM: CONSENT CALENDAR****2. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF TREASURER’S REPORT FOR JANUARY 2025**

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	<b>March 17, 2025</b>	<b>Budgeted:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>From:</b>	<b>David J. Stoldt, General Manager</b>	<b>Program/ Line Item No.:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Prepared By:</b>	<b>Nishil Bali</b>	<b>Cost Estimate:</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**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.**

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**SUMMARY:** Exhibit 2-A comprises the Treasurer’s Report for January 2025. Exhibit 2-B includes listings of check disbursements for the period January 1-31, 2025. 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 \$1,734,211.23 (including voided checks). This included conservation rebate payments of \$22,890.95 to District residents. Exhibit 2-C reflects the unaudited version of the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the month ending January 31, 2025.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the Board adopt the January 2025 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-Regular**2-C** Statement of Revenues and Expenditures



**MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JANUARY 2025**

<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>
<b>Beginning Balance (A)</b>	<b>\$1,570,359.52</b>	<b>\$5,005,638.06</b>	<b>\$505,873.11</b>	<b>\$14,256,677.29</b>	<b>9,225,845.09</b>	<b>\$30,564,393.07</b>	<b>\$420,431.41</b>
Fees/Deposits		1,485,413.50				1,485,413.50	185,076.06
MoCo Tax & WS Chg Installment Pymt						0.00	
Interest Received			1,900.75	153,872.56	24,910.06	180,683.37	
Transfer - Checking/LAIF						0.00	
Transfer - Money Market/LAIF						0.00	
Transfer - Money Market/Checking	2,500,000.00	(2,500,000.00)				0.00	
Transfer - Money Market/Multi-Bank						0.00	
Transfer to CAWD						0.00	(420,000.00)
Transfer to CLASS						0.00	
<b>Sub-total - Receipts/Transfers (B)</b>	<b>\$2,500,000.00</b>	<b>(\$1,014,586.50)</b>	<b>\$1,900.75</b>	<b>153,872.56</b>	<b>\$24,910.06</b>	<b>\$1,666,096.87</b>	<b>(\$234,923.94)</b>
Bank Corrections/Reversals/Errors						0.00	
Voided Checks*	420,591.25					420,591.25	
Bank Charges/Other	(1,239.33)					(1,239.33)	
Credit Card Fees						0.00	
Returned Deposits						0.00	
Payroll Tax/Benefit Deposits	(153,342.10)					(153,342.10)	
Payroll Checks/Direct Deposits	(172,963.61)					(172,963.61)	
General Checks	(1,417,856.82)					(1,417,856.82)	
Rebate Payments	(22,890.95)					(22,890.95)	
Bank Draft Payments	(25,319.70)					(25,319.70)	
AP Automation Payments	(361,189.97)					(361,189.97)	
<b>Sub-total - Disbursements (C)</b>	<b>(1,734,211.23)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,734,211.23)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Ending Balance (A+B+C)</b>	<b>\$2,336,148.29</b>	<b>\$3,991,051.56</b>	<b>\$507,773.86</b>	<b>\$14,410,549.85</b>	<b>\$9,250,755.15</b>	<b>\$30,496,278.71</b>	<b>\$185,507.47</b>

\* Check mailed for MTA legal fees was reportedly lost by Fedex and voided by staff. This check was reissued and later received by MTA counsel.

\* Fixed Income investments are reported at face value





**EXHIBIT 2-B**

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**Check Report**

By Check Number

Date Range: 01/01/2025 - 01/31/2025



Monterey Peninsula Water Management Di

Vendor Number	Vendor Name	Payment Date	Payment Type	Discount Amount	Payment Amount	Number
<b>Bank Code: APBNK</b>	<b>-Bank of America Checking</b>					
<b>Payment Type: Regular</b>						
03973	Stephanie Kister	01/10/2025	Regular	0.00	799.00	40931
01195	California Dept. of Fish & Wildlife Kearney	01/16/2025	Regular	0.00	3,386.25	40932
28514	Littlefield LLP	01/16/2025	Regular	0.00	420,591.25	40933
28514	Kearney Littlefield LLP ( <i>voided prior check</i> )	01/28/2025	Regular	0.00	-420,591.25	40933
00274	Monterey One Water	01/16/2025	Regular	0.00	572,208.81	40934
03979	Special Districts Association of Monterey Count	01/16/2025	Regular	0.00	40.00	40935
28396	Daniel Atkins	01/24/2025	Regular	0.00	190.26	40936
01002	Monterey County Clerk	01/24/2025	Regular	0.00	50.00	40937
28514	Kearney Littlefield LLP (MTA Settlement)	01/29/2025	Regular	0.00	420,591.25	40938
<b>Total Regular:</b>				<b>0.00</b>	<b>997,265.57</b>	

## Check Report

Date Range: 01/01/2025 - 01/31/2025

Vendor Number	Vendor Name	Payment Date	Payment Type	Discount Amount	Payment Amount	Number
Payment Type: Virtual Payment						
04349	American Water Resources Assoc.	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	182.00	APA006277
00224	City of Monterey	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	697.75	APA006278
26677	David Federico	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	235.00	APA006279
00192	Extra Space Storage	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	491.00	APA006280
04356	Government Finance Officers Association	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	460.00	APA006281
00993	Harris Court Business Park	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	793.39	APA006282
06999	KBA Document Solutions, LLC	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	900.00	APA006283
27302	Kyocera Document Solutions America, Inc.	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	535.75	APA006284
13431	Lynx Technologies, Inc	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	3,225.00	APA006285
00118	MB Carpet & Janitorial Inc.	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	2,760.00	APA006286
00274	Monterey One Water	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	192.90	APA006287
00036	Parham Living Trust	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	850.00	APA006288
00755	Peninsula Welding Supply, Inc.	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	191.71	APA006289
00176	Sentry Alarm Systems	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	185.50	APA006290
17965	The Maynard Group	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,817.18	APA006291
00024	Three Amigos Pest Control DBA Central Coast E	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	104.00	APA006292
00269	U.S. Bank	01/03/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	6,405.21	APA006293
01349	Suresh Prasad	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	305.28	APA006405
28398	A Tool Shed Equipment Rentals	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	203.11	APA006406
00763	ACWA-JPIA	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	366.00	APA006407
28266	Alexander Bugrov	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	754.32	APA006408
04039	American Water Works Association	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	2,136.00	APA006409
04043	Campbell Scientific, Inc.	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	5,553.00	APA006410
12601	Carmel Valley Ace Hardware	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	55.59	APA006411
16670	Carmel Valley Pump	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	3,861.17	APA006412
00224	City of Monterey	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	10,044.50	APA006413
00028	Colantuono, Highsmith, & Whatley, PC	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	3,398.75	APA006414
08109	David Olson, Inc.	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	985.09	APA006415
18734	DeVeera Inc.	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	7,955.98	APA006416
18225	DUDEK	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,162.50	APA006417
02833	Greg James	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,089.77	APA006418
11223	In-Situ	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,505.80	APA006419
28397	International Association of Plumbing and Mecl	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,499.00	APA006420
00094	John Arriaga	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	4,500.00	APA006421
06999	KBA Document Solutions, LLC	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	427.74	APA006422
05830	Larry Hampson	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,455.51	APA006423
00222	M.J. Murphy	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	84.29	APA006424
22336	Maggiora Bros. Drilling, INC	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	24,528.65	APA006425
05829	Mark Bekker	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	333.33	APA006426
00242	MBAS	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,736.00	APA006427
26785	Monterey Bay Pest Control, Inc.	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	135.00	APA006428
04729	Monterey Commercial Property Owners Associ	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	400.00	APA006429
04728	Monterey County Business Council	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,250.00	APA006430
00278	Monterey Tire Service	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	34.92	APA006431
22201	Montgomery & Associates	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	6,566.00	APA006432
13396	Navia Benefit Solutions, Inc.	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	400.00	APA006433
00154	Peninsula Messenger Service	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	665.00	APA006434
00755	Peninsula Welding Supply, Inc.	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	129.00	APA006435
00262	Pure H2O	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	65.54	APA006436
02838	Solinst Canada Ltd	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,484.82	APA006437
16717	State Water Resources Control Board	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	3,945.00	APA006438
09425	The Ferguson Group LLC	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	6,300.00	APA006439
00024	Three Amigos Pest Control DBA Central Coast E	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	104.00	APA006440
27964	TM Process & Controls	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	29,688.69	APA006441
00225	Trowbridge Enterprises Inc.	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	147.90	APA006442
00750	Valley Saw & Garden Equipment	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	80.60	APA006443
20230	Zoom Video Communications Inc	01/10/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	470.32	APA006444
00767	AFLAC	01/17/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	733.74	APA006445
00263	Arlene Tavani	01/17/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,092.66	APA006446
00046	De Lay & Laredo	01/17/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	26,533.00	APA006447

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Vendor Number	Vendor Name	Payment Date	Payment Type	Discount Amount	Payment Amount	Number
04715	Matthew Lyons	01/17/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	365.21	APA006448
26785	Monterey Bay Pest Control, Inc.	01/17/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	135.00	APA006449
28390	Ralph Andersen & Associates	01/17/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	11,025.00	APA006450
04366	Tom Lindberg	01/17/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,152.30	APA006451
00271	UPEC, Local 792	01/17/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,236.00	APA006452
01188	Alhambra	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	207.63	APA006453
01015	American Lock & Key	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	113.08	APA006454
00760	Andy Bell	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	622.00	APA006455
12601	Carmel Valley Ace Hardware	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	6.78	APA006456
14036	City of Sand City	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,383.75	APA006457
00083	Clifton Larson Allen LLP	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	9,975.00	APA006458
28518	Close & Associates, LLC (Measure J Consultant)	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	50,737.50	APA006459
00281	CoreLogic Information Solutions, Inc.	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,409.84	APA006460
22793	ETech Consulting, LLC	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	350.00	APA006461
02660	Forestry Suppliers Inc.	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	2,005.00	APA006462
03857	Joe Oliver	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	733.00	APA006463
05371	June Silva	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	867.40	APA006464
06999	KBA Document Solutions, LLC	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	25.00	APA006465
27302	Kyocera Document Solutions America, Inc.	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	565.47	APA006466
00222	M.J. Murphy	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	147.00	APA006467
01012	Mark Dudley	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	540.00	APA006468
00223	Martins Irrigation Supply	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	88.94	APA006469
00118	MB Carpet & Janitorial Inc.	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006470
00242	MBAS	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	2,285.00	APA006471
00278	Monterey Tire Service	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	860.56	APA006472
05053	Pacific Smog	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	336.25	APA006473
24869	Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc.	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	2,960.00	APA006474
13394	Regional Government Services	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	627.04	APA006475
00251	Rick Dickhaut	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	556.00	APA006476
17968	Rutan & Tucker, LLP	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	6,506.91	APA006477
09989	Star Sanitation Services	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	164.21	APA006478
00225	Trowbridge Enterprises Inc.	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	27.66	APA006479
00269	U.S. Bank	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	6,511.31	APA006480
23550	WellmanAD	01/24/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	8,950.00	APA006481
28519	Albert A. Webb Associates (Measure J)	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	14,102.75	APA006482
01015	American Lock & Key	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	19.67	APA006483
12601	Carmel Valley Ace Hardware	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	19.38	APA006484
00224	City of Monterey	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	9,292.44	APA006485
11822	CSC	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	10,000.00	APA006486
00046	De Lay & Laredo	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	31,678.50	APA006487
01003	Department of Industrial Relations	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	225.00	APA006488
18225	DUDEK	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	123.75	APA006489
00192	Extra Space Storage	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	491.00	APA006490
00993	Harris Court Business Park	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	793.39	APA006491
16182	Monterey County Weekly	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	970.00	APA006492
08700	Monterey Regional Waste Management District	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	55.00	APA006493
22201	Montgomery & Associates	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,386.00	APA006494
13396	Navia Benefit Solutions, Inc.	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	2,516.82	APA006495
00987	SDRMA - Prop & Liability Pkg	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	124.47	APA006496
00176	Sentry Alarm Systems	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	309.25	APA006497
27147	TJC and Associates, Inc.	01/31/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,372.75	APA006498
<b>Total Virtual Payment:</b>				<b>0.00</b>	<b>361,649.97</b>	

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Vendor Number	Vendor Name	Payment Date	Payment Type	Discount Amount	Payment Amount	Number
<b>Payment Type: Bank Draft</b>						
00277	Home Depot Credit Services	01/03/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	104.74	DFT0003577
00259	Marina Coast Water District	01/03/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	2,404.15	DFT0003578
00282	PG&E	01/03/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	3,055.14	DFT0003579
00221	Verizon Wireless	01/03/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	1,235.95	DFT0003580
18163	Wex Bank	01/03/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	1,198.69	DFT0003581
00266	I.R.S.	01/10/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	50.92	DFT0003582
00266	I.R.S.	01/10/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	217.62	DFT0003583
00768	MissionSquare Retirement- 302617	01/10/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	400.00	DFT0003584
00266	I.R.S.	01/10/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	16,143.31	DFT0003585
00266	I.R.S.	01/10/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	3,684.38	DFT0003586
00267	Employment Development Dept.	01/10/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	6,817.98	DFT0003587
00766	Standard Insurance Company	01/02/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	1,567.21	DFT0003588
00282	PG&E	01/09/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	33.18	DFT0003589
00259	Marina Coast Water District	01/09/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	3,822.80	DFT0003590
00277	Home Depot Credit Services	01/09/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	219.50	DFT0003591
00758	FedEx	01/09/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	226.85	DFT0003592
00252	Cal-Am Water	01/09/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	293.13	DFT0003593
00769	Laborers Trust Fund of Northern CA	01/10/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	38,525.00	DFT0003594
04736	Pitney Bowes Global Financial Svc, LLC	01/15/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	437.59	DFT0003595
00277	Home Depot Credit Services	01/17/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	116.83	DFT0003596
00768	MissionSquare Retirement- 302617	01/24/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	400.00	DFT0003597
00266	I.R.S.	01/24/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	16,285.21	DFT0003598
00266	I.R.S.	01/24/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	3,702.56	DFT0003599
00267	Employment Development Dept.	01/24/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	6,871.76	DFT0003600
00252	Cal-Am Water	01/23/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	196.35	DFT0003601
00282	PG&E	01/23/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	5,069.74	DFT0003602
07627	Purchase Power	01/23/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	500.00	DFT0003603
00277	Home Depot Credit Services	01/23/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	68.72	DFT0003604
00282	PG&E	01/21/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	2,204.01	DFT0003605
00252	Cal-Am Water	01/31/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	285.38	DFT0003606
00277	Home Depot Credit Services	01/31/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	119.76	DFT0003607
00256	PERS Retirement	01/10/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	23,135.29	DFT0003608
00221	Verizon Wireless	01/31/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	1,203.47	DFT0003609
18163	Wex Bank	01/31/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	2,523.72	DFT0003610
00768	MissionSquare Retirement- 302617	01/10/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	5,419.18	DFT0003611
00256	PERS Retirement	01/24/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	23,135.29	DFT0003612
00768	MissionSquare Retirement- 302617	01/24/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	5,419.18	DFT0003613
00766	Standard Insurance Company	01/29/2025	Bank Draft	0.00	1,567.21	DFT0003614
<b>Total Bank Draft:</b>				<b>0.00</b>	<b>178,661.80</b>	

Payment Type	Bank Code APBNK		Summary	
	Payable Count	Payment Count	Discount	Payment
Regular Checks	8	8	0.00	1,417,856.82
Manual Checks	0	0	0.00	0.00
Voided Checks	0	1	0.00	-420,591.25
Bank Drafts	64	38	0.00	178,661.80
EFT's	0	0	0.00	0.00
	<b>269</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,537,577.34</b>

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Date Range: 01/01/2025 - 01/31/2025

Vendor Number	Vendor Name	Payment Date	Payment Type	Discount Amount	Payment Amount	Number
<b>Bank Code: <u>REBATES-02-Rebates</u></b>						
<b>Payment Type: Virtual Payment</b>						
28506	Aaron Hieronymus	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006294
28476	Adrienne Cursio	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006295
19863	Alan Mah	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	125.00	APA006296
28320	Amy Heintz	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	1,000.00	APA006297
28486	Anthony J Sollecito	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	250.00	APA006298
28508	Anthony Petru	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006299
28465	Beverly Zalan	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006300
28456	Bill Crabtree	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006301
28474	Brian Harvath	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006302
28498	Carmela Borrelli	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	179.00	APA006303
28482	Carolyn Swanson	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	125.00	APA006304
28504	Chandler Briggs	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006305
28455	Corey Wurzner	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006306
28492	Craig A Smith	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006307
28495	Cynthia Potter	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006308
28497	David Eisen	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006309
28484	Debbie LePage	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	125.00	APA006310
28478	Donald Richard Latimer	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	125.00	APA006311
11166	Donald Weber	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	75.00	APA006312
28458	Donna Vasu	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006313
28489	Doug Bilse	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	118.00	APA006314
27530	Eric Ebell	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006315
23341	Felix Colello	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	325.00	APA006316
20502	Friedrich Neuhoff	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006317
20945	Gabriela Bravo	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	75.00	APA006318
28505	Gail Zug	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	108.99	APA006319
28502	Geoff Welch	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006320
28493	Glynn Echerd	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006321
28490	Heidi Bensley	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	269.97	APA006322
28499	Janine Brown	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006323
28462	Jean Bourne	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006324
15425	JEAN PREMUTATI	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006325
28460	Jeffrey Prussin	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006326
28496	Jimi Barnholt	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006327
28475	Joel L Young	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006328
28451	John and Leath Pitta	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	125.00	APA006329
28494	John Stafnsnes	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006330
28480	Josh Madfis	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	125.00	APA006331
28470	Joshua Stephens	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006332
28471	Kathleen M Jensen	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006333
28485	Kathryn Vandervort	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	125.00	APA006334
28468	Kelly Cowan-Sanchez	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006335
28466	Kirstie Wilde	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006336
28507	Laurence Clancey	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006337
09267	MARION KOPMANN	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006338
28464	Martha Dunn	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006339
28463	Martins Francisco Ferreira da Silva	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006340
28487	Mary Looney	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	125.00	APA006341
26777	Michael Badger	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006342
28479	Michael Zury	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	125.00	APA006343
23742	Michele Coulias	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006344
28452	Mina Behnam	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006345
28453	Natalie McChesney	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006346
19940	Pamela Krone	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006347
28454	Pamela Leal	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006348
28488	Patrick Loughnane	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	339.99	APA006349
28491	Paul Holm	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006350
28457	Paul Linhardt	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006351
28469	Paula J Cavnazzo-McGilloway	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006352

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28501	Raquel Barata	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006353
28500	Richard Murai	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006354
28510	Rodger Langland	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	400.00	APA006355
28509	Sarah Williams Fay	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006356
28481	Scott Fradin	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	125.00	APA006357
28467	Shanna Bird	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006358
28511	Sharon Tussy	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	75.00	APA006359
28459	Susan Stoddard	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006360
28483	Ted Hochstein	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	125.00	APA006361
28503	Tina Henderson	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	200.00	APA006362
28473	Werner Krautstrunk	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006363
28477	Yi-Yang Cheng	01/06/2025	Virtual Payment	0.00	500.00	APA006364
<b>Total Virtual Payment:</b>				<b>0.00</b>	<b>22,890.95</b>	

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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	73	71	0.00	22,890.95
	<b>73</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>22,890.95</b>

### All Bank Codes Check Summary

Payment Type	Payable Count	Payment Count	Discount	Payment
Regular Checks	8	8	0.00	1,417,856.82
Manual Checks	0	0	0.00	0.00
Voided Checks	0	1	0.00	-420,591.25
Bank Drafts	64	38	0.00	178,661.80
EFT's	0	0	0.00	0.00
Virtual Payments	270	182	0.00	384,540.92
	<b>342</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,560,468.29</b>

### Fund Summary

Fund	Name	Period	Amount
99	POOL CASH FUND	1/2025	1,560,468.29
			<b>1,560,468.29</b>







**MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES**  
**FOR THE MONTH JANUARY 31, 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>
<b>REVENUES</b>							
Property taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,572,150	\$ 2,700,000	\$ 1,503,617
Water supply charge			-	-	-	3,400,000	1,859,381
User fees	146,195	102,194	320,093	568,482	4,221,005	6,600,000	3,584,393
PWM Water Sales			1,578,697	1,578,697	8,547,479	14,619,500	8,622,358
Capacity fees			21,494	21,494	304,196	300,000	169,783
Permit fees	-	12,417		12,417	113,620	198,000	131,822
Investment income	59,626	59,626	61,432	180,683	488,679	390,000	325,149
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	6,895	5,000	7,719
<b>Sub-total district revenues</b>	<b>205,820</b>	<b>174,237</b>	<b>1,981,717</b>	<b>2,361,773</b>	<b>15,254,024</b>	<b>28,212,500</b>	<b>16,204,222</b>
Project reimbursements	-	-	-	-	805,093	1,357,550	561,155
Legal fee reimbursements					2,250	15,000	10,634
Grants	-	-	-	-	4,778,237	12,659,668	182,652
Recording fees		3,630		3,630	32,683	60,000	33,440
<b>Sub-total reimbursements</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,630</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,630</b>	<b>5,618,263</b>	<b>14,092,218</b>	<b>787,881</b>
From Reserves	-	-	-	-	-	555,000	-
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>205,820</b>	<b>177,867</b>	<b>1,981,717</b>	<b>2,365,403</b>	<b>20,872,287</b>	<b>42,859,718</b>	<b>16,992,103</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>							
<b>Personnel:</b>							
Salaries	91,156	57,218	109,895	258,269	1,849,989	3,301,000	1,763,643
Retirement	8,786	5,823	11,355	25,965	783,720	864,902	665,713
Unemployment Compensation	-	-	-	-	-	10,100	-
Auto Allowance	92	92	277	462	3,346	11,000	3,346
Deferred Compensation	170	170	510	850	6,069	18,812	6,178
Temporary Personnel	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	12,340
Workers Comp. Ins.	3,852	315	2,711	6,878	48,651	74,543	44,664
Employee Insurance	17,838	12,741	19,247	49,825	350,533	689,819	317,939
Medicare & FICA Taxes	1,351	857	1,620	3,828	28,082	72,785	25,574
Personnel Recruitment	-	-	-	-	11,290	13,000	639
Other benefits	285	294	312	890	2,090	2,000	1,584
Staff Development	120	2,304	199	2,623	11,878	29,500	4,681
<b>Sub-total personnel costs</b>	<b>123,651</b>	<b>79,813</b>	<b>146,126</b>	<b>349,590</b>	<b>3,095,648</b>	<b>5,097,461</b>	<b>2,846,301</b>
<b>Services &amp; Supplies:</b>							
Board Member Comp	579	579	597	1,755	14,445	37,000	15,525
Board Expenses	101	98	107	306	2,102	10,000	3,752
Rent	162	157	172	491	7,687	29,200	14,728
Utilities	1,201	1,138	1,245	3,584	25,699	41,200	21,696
Telephone	1,248	962	804	3,015	20,929	51,000	32,822
Facility Maintenance	1,016	985	1,077	3,078	28,476	54,000	23,995
Bank Charges	409	397	434	1,239	9,144	25,100	7,033
Office Supplies	229	329	243	801	7,391	24,700	9,688
Courier Expense	219	213	233	665	4,109	7,600	4,596
Postage & Shipping	-	-	-	-	322	7,500	1,815
Equipment Lease	179	114	144	438	2,219	13,200	6,050
Equip. Repairs & Maintenance	220	214	234	668	1,568	5,100	3,660
Photocopy Expense							
Printing/Duplicating/Binding	-	-	-	-	-	2,100	-
IT Supplies/Services	2,625	2,574	2,757	7,956	178,580	310,600	222,157
Operating Supplies	360	-	-	360	16,041	6,600	14,846
Legal Services	-	-	37,139	37,139	226,442	400,000	225,952
Professional Fees	7,648	7,416	8,111	23,175	255,438	458,000	201,671



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	<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>
Transportation	5,065	633	1,958	7,657	30,868	41,000	26,816
Travel	-	103	-	103	4,519	21,000	3,481
Meeting Expenses	352	341	373	1,065	13,426	21,200	4,713
Insurance	7,849	7,611	8,325	23,785	166,711	300,000	159,295
Legal Notices	-	-	-	-	2,145	2,600	-
Membership Dues	1,016	1,236	1,074	3,326	36,224	47,900	34,255
Public Outreach	173	168	184	525	5,325	3,500	2,555
Assessors Administration Fee	-	-	-	-	-	34,000	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	420	3,000	387
<b>Sub-total services &amp; supplies costs</b>	<b>30,652</b>	<b>25,268</b>	<b>65,211</b>	<b>121,130</b>	<b>1,060,230</b>	<b>1,957,100</b>	<b>1,041,490</b>
Project expenditures	13,614	13,540	105,039	132,194	9,288,202	34,270,646	9,676,577
Fixed assets	-	-	-	-	12,119	85,000	37,042
Contingencies	-	-	-	-	-	70,000	-
Election costs	-	-	-	-	-	250,000	-
Debt service: Principal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt service: Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	116
Flood drought reserve	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital equipment reserve	-	-	-	-	-	313,000	-
General fund balance	-	-	-	-	-	616,511	-
Debt Reserve	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pension reserve	-	-	-	-	-	100,000	-
OPEB reserve	-	-	-	-	-	100,000	-
<b>Sub-total other</b>	<b>13,614</b>	<b>13,540</b>	<b>105,039</b>	<b>132,194</b>	<b>9,300,320</b>	<b>35,805,157</b>	<b>9,713,735</b>
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>167,917</b>	<b>118,621</b>	<b>316,376</b>	<b>602,914</b>	<b>13,456,198</b>	<b>42,859,718</b>	<b>13,601,526</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 37,904</b>	<b>\$ 59,246</b>	<b>\$ 1,665,341</b>	<b>\$ 1,762,490</b>	<b>\$ 7,416,088</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 3,390,577</b>

\* Column depicts the original adopted budget for Jan 2025. A mid-year budget update was adopted on Feb 24, 2025.

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March 11, 2025

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

FROM: David C. Laredo, Counsel

RE: General Report of Pending Litigation effective March 11, 2025

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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 – Monterey Peninsula Taxpayers Association (MPTA) cases:**

Cases brought by MPTA are part of a series of six (6) separate lawsuits. These six cases collectively challenge various aspects of the District's collection of the Water Supply Charge.

**1.a MPTA I – MPTA v. MPWMD; M123512**

The initial challenge brought by MPTA regarding District collection of the Water Supply Charge was resolved by order of Superior Court Judge Thomas Wills in favor of the District, and against the challenge brought by MPTA.

**1.b MPTA II – MPTA v. MPWMD; Monterey County Superior Court 21CV003066  
6th Dist. Court of Appeal H0-51128**

**1.c MPTA III – MPTA v. MPWMD; Monterey County Superior Court 22CV002113**

**1.d MPTA IV - MPTA v. MPWMD; Monterey County Superior Court 23CV002453**

**1.e MPTA V - MPTA v. MPWMD; Monterey County Superior Court 24CV002642**

**1.f MPTA VI - MPTA v. MPWMD; Monterey County Superior Court 24CV003408**

Five separate challenges - noted above – are pending by MPTA against District collection of the Water Supply Charge. The second challenge, MPTA II, was resolved by Superior Court Judge Panetta against the District and in favor of MPTA. The Sixth District Court of Appeal affirmed the trial decision, and the matter has been remanded to the trial court for further action.

District Litigation counsel, Michael Colantuono and Matthew Slentz have led negotiation efforts under direction of General Manager Stoldt and with support of Counsel Dave Laredo. MPTA is represented in these discussions by Eric Benik and Prescott Littlefield.

The parties stipulated to resolve Petitioners' claims through a refund process and payment of attorney's fees incurred by MPTA. The court continued Case Management for the open cases pending implementation of the settlement.

## **2 – MPWMD v. Cal-Am; 23CV004102**

This pending 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. Cal-Am filed its Answer in this case on Dec. 16, 2024. Judge Vanessa Vallarta is the presiding judge for this case.

The March Case Management Conference was rescheduled to May 13, 2025.

The next steps in the District's Measure J effort are likely to see Cal-Am request an early decision from the Superior Court regarding LAFCO issues. This review may take the form of a Motion for Summary Judgment by Cal-Am, and perhaps cross motions for Summary Adjudication. It is likely that Cal-Am will file its Motion for Summary Judgment in March or April; a hearing on that motion would likely be set in the July/August/September timeframe (depending on the Court's schedule).

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

The District brought this lawsuit to challenge LAFCO's conduct and administrative decisions regarding exercise of District powers to acquire Cal-Am water system facilities in accord with the voter mandate in Measure J. On December 7, 2023 Judge Thomas Wills ruled in favor of the District, and against LAFCO. The matter is now on appeal before the Sixth District Court of Appeal.

Cal-Am and LAFCO jointly requested extensions of time to file opening briefs by 03/20/2025.

## **4 – City of Marina; MPWMD, et al, v. California Coastal Commission (CCC); Cal-Am; 22CV004063**

This pending lawsuit incorporates multiple actions by Petitioners City of Marina, the Marina Coast Water District (MCWD), the MCWD Groundwater Sustainability Agency and MPWMD that collectively challenge CCC issuance of a Coastal Development Permit to Cal-Am to grant conditioned approval of Cal-Am's proposed Desalination Project. Cal-Am is a direct party as a real party in interest to this proceeding.

After two full days of trial on the merits, (December 9, 2024 & January 6, 2025) Judge Wills took the matter under submission.

## **5 – Matters Pending before the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Actions pertaining to the Cal-Am Water System**

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

### **5.a A.21-11-024 Cal-Am Amended Water Purchase Agreement**

This action deals with Cal-Am’s request to purchase water from the Pure Water Replenishment Project and its expansion.

Earlier phases of this case dealt primarily with Cal-Am’s request that the CPUC authorize the Company to enter into the Amended and Restated Water Purchase Agreement for Pure Water Expansion. The most recent phase has addressed the need to update water supply and water demand calculations related to the Cal-Am system.

Phase 2 briefs have been filed by all parties. It is not clear when a Proposed Decision will be issued by the assigned ALJ or when the matter may be submitted for action by the full Commission. An Order Extending Statutory Deadline to 12/31/2024 was published 7/16/2024.

On December 17, 2024 the CPUC assigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Jack Chang assigned to work with ALJ Robert Haga as co-ALJ.

In response to an email inquiry by Cal-Am’s counsel as to the status of this proceeding, ALJ Jack Chang responded on February 11, 2025, to the effect: “Proposed decisions on outstanding issues in this proceeding are targeted for issuance in spring 2025.”

### **5.b A.22-07-001 Cal-Am 2022 General Rate Case (GRC)**

This action deals with Cal-Am triennial request that the CPUC approve both rates and charges, and changes to the Cal-Am operating system for a three-year rate cycle. Although the Commission had previously ordered an extension to the Statutory Deadline in this matter to March 30, 2025, this deadline has since been extended to June 30, 2025.

Cal-Am filed its General Rate Case (GRC) application on July 1, 2022, seeking statewide revenue recovery<sup>1</sup> for a three-year period (2024, 2025 and 2026). MPWMD participated in the proceeding with full party status. On August 27, 2024, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Jacob Rambo issued a Proposed Decision (PD). Once the PD was released parties supporting Cal-Am began lobbying the Commissioners via many ex parte meetings and a vigorous letter-writing campaign. MPWMD set a single ex parte meeting with Commissioners Karen Douglas and Darcie Houck. Two revisions were made to the PD before the matter was voted on at the Commission’s December 5, 2024 meeting.

#### **I. Background**

GRCs are massive filings. Cal-Am alone filed 40 exhibits and sponsored 25 witnesses; other parties included the Public Advocates Office (Cal Advocates), MPWMD, Public Water Now, City of Thousand Oaks, California Water Efficiency Partnership (Cal WEP), California Water Association (CWA), and the National Association of Water Companies (NAWC).

##### **A. Settlement between Cal-Am and Cal Advocates**

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<sup>1</sup> California-American Water Company (Cal-Am) has three divisions within California. They include Northern, Central and Southern Divisions and the Monterey Wastewater District. Monterey Main is part of the Central Division.

A Partial Settlement<sup>2</sup> was reached on November 17, 2023 between Cal-Am and Cal Advocates. MPWMD supported many of the revenue expenses but objected to several. These included a ten percent (10%) reduction in conservation funding, various statewide subsidies, and certain plant issues such as the delay with the New Carmel Valley Well and elimination of the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) leak detection project. The settlement did secure substantial reduction of \$25.5 million in Cal-Am's original statewide revenue increase request.

The Settlement estimates Central Division Operating Revenues for 2022 of \$94,653,007 will rise to \$100,720,049 for 2024, \$103,959,979 for 2025 and \$107,076,900 for 2026. Cal-Am will earn a 7.68% rate of return on a current Central Division rate base of \$290,946,200. This will rise to \$319,431,400 by 2026.<sup>3</sup>

## II. The Decision

### A. Water Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Issue

A significant portion of the proceeding was spent on whether a “decoupling mechanism” known as a Water Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (WRAM) should be continued or if an alternate should be authorized. Cal-Am's sought WRAM to recover all authorized revenue it alleged to have “lost” due to conservation. Decision 24-12-025 denies Cal-Am's request and authorizes a version that originated in Monterey in 1996<sup>4</sup>. Cal-Am asked to retain an Annual Consumption Adjustment Mechanism (ACAM) but to increase it twice each year. The PD allows the ACAM but restricts it to only once a year.

### B. Statewide Subsidies

MPWMD continued to argue against statewide subsidies in the form of customer assistance programs, spreading acquisition costs, and failure to recognize the disparity in the unit cost of water to meet basic human needs.

### C. Conservation Budget

Cal-Am proposed a 10.9% reduction in the conservation budget for the Central Division to \$1,566,318. While MPWMD was unsuccessful in its opposition to this reduction, the ALJ did require that all approved conservation funding must be spent in the Monterey Service Area.

### D. Monterey Plant Issues

The settlement agrees to capital projects and investments to provide safe, reliable, high-quality service to customers and continue to meet regulatory requirements for the Central Division of \$71,701,027 for the years 2023 – 2025. MPWMD supported several plant expenditures in the settlement, including \$3.8 million for the Monterey Well Rehabilitation Program, \$3 million for the Well Installation and

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<sup>2</sup> A Partial Settlement does not resolve all issues although it can resolve many issues. In the current proceeding, the settlement resolved all revenue requirement issues and many of the special requests. The ALJ accepted the settlement as presented, without any modifications.

<sup>3</sup> It should be noted that any GRC increases authorized by the Commission do not reflect the true rate increase. Surcharges as well as capital projects approved in separate filings add to the cost of water.

<sup>4</sup> To avoid confusion going forward, a new name for the Monterey WRAM or M-WRAM is the Conservation Adjustments for Rate Tier Designs (CART Designs).

Replacement Program for the Carmel Valley Well field and the Seaside Basin wells, and \$2.4 million for Los Padres Dam Projects. MPWMD also successfully argued against Cal-Am's proposed "Water Loss Performance Standards" cost exceeding \$943,000 as a duplicative and unnecessary expenditure.

#### E. Transmission and Distribution Consolidation Denied

Cal-Am proposed to consolidate all water transmission and distribution net plant assets across all tariff areas into one central pool to be allocated back to each tariff area based on the number of customers in that area. MPWMD and Cal Advocates successfully argued against this.

#### F. Other Issues

The Decision agrees with MPWMD's position on other issues such as Cal-Am's request for earthquake insurance (an unreasonable expense costing \$3.3 million annually that would pay up to \$10 million after a \$25 million deductible), and a chemical cost balancing account (a routine expense already forecast).

### III. Conclusion

The GRC affords MPWMD an opportunity to obtain information that Cal-Am does not voluntarily provide and to present independent arguments that reflect Monterey customer concerns. MPWMD is also able to work with Cal Advocates on many issues that often result in better outcomes for Cal-Am's Monterey customers.

Cal-Am will file its 2025 GRC application on July 1, 2025, when the process begins again.

At the Commission's December 19, 2024, the statutory deadline in A.21-11-024 (PVMX), was further extended to June 30, 2025.

#### 5.c R.22-04-003 CPUC Acquisition Rulemaking

This action deals with CPUC Rulemaking that impacts statewide public utility systems with particular impact on the Cal-Am system. The scope of the proceeding focuses on proposed rules to provide a framework for Public Water System Investment and Consolidation. The effect of these rules may promote or discourage transfer of local costs which would impose subsidies of local costs to non-local systems. The scope of these regulations may affect purchase prices for distressed assets and impose subsidies on local ratepayers.

Workshop Issues are listed below:

Workshop #1: Options for Inadequately Operated and Maintained Systems.

Workshop #2: How to set fair market value of a water utility acquisitions? What appraisal process should apply to utility acquisitions? Should this include overall system value? How should potential liabilities and deferred maintenance be considered? Should water rights be valued and considered?

Workshop #3: How to examine ratepayer impacts regarding water utility acquisitions? What tests and criteria; what information to evaluate ratepayer impacts? Should rate impacts from previous acquisitions be assessed for a proposed acquisition? Should the Commission consider expanding the gain on sale rules? What cost-sharing mechanisms between ratepayers and shareholders should be considered for acquisitions?

Workshop #4: How should the Commission consider grant funding in water system acquisitions, and should investor-owned utilities be required to take grant funding if available? Should this process be coordinated with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)? Commission reporting requirements for proposed acquisitions; Framework to timely resolve acquisitions issues (e.g., proceedings or advice letters); how to evaluate acquisitions of mutual and municipal water systems.

It is not clear when a Proposed Decision will be issued by the assigned ALJ or when the matter may be submitted for consideration by the full Commission. The Statutory Deadline, extended by the Commission on Sept 12, 2024 to March 30, 2025, was further extended at Commission's December 19, 2024 meeting to September 30, 2025.

In addition to pending matters of active litigation referenced above, two matters of threatened litigation exist. as referenced below.

#### **6 – *Cal-Am v. MPWMD and Monterey One Water (action threatened by not yet filed)***

By letter, Cal-Am threatened to file a breach of contract action relating to the Aquifer Storage & Recovery (ASR) Agreement among the parties. The dispute relates to the status of ASR Well.

The parties continue to cooperatively resolve their concerns and have entered into seven consecutive agreements to toll (extend) filing deadlines and facilitate their ability to reach a mutually acceptable settlement.

Cal-Am's most recent comment states it "has been working diligently to address both extraction and injection concerns relating to ASR-04. Due to a variety of technical and several DDW-related procedural issues we now believe that this will not be fully resolved for several months and perhaps up to a year."

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

On July 24, 2024, Sierra Club attorney, Larry Silver, advised by email they will reactivate a claim for attorney's fees in this lawsuit. This Report revises and amends prior characterizations of the attorney's claim submitted by Mr. Silver, based clarifications he sent on an October email.

This case (1-10-CV-163328) asserted four causes of action against the SWRCB related to the Cease & Desist Order. The case was originally filed in Monterey County but was transferred from Monterey to Santa Clara County. A stay of the SWRCB CDO was issued on November 6, 2009 and remained in effect only until November 4, 2010. The matter was appealed to the Sixth District Court of Appeal and in 2014 was remanded to the Superior Court. Sierra Club filed a Motion for Attorneys' Fees in 2012, and the Appellate Court held in 2014 that the Sierra Club was not precluded from filing a Motion for Fees once there was a final judgement in the case.



The case, although dormant, remains pending in the Santa Clara County Superior Court and has not been dismissed. The Sierra Club is an intervenor in this case.

The 2012 Sierra Club Attorney's Fees demand sought \$256,934 for time spent during the 2008 administrative hearing 2008 (efforts related to the 2009 CDO), for time opposing stay of the CDO, and other efforts associated with this matter. The Sierra Club alleged time to be paid by Cal-Am total 209.35 hours; time to be paid by MPWMD total 45.40 hours; and additional time to be shared by both Cal-Am and MPWMD total 167.5 hours. The District timely filed Opposition to the Sierra Club Motion for Attorneys' Fees.

The extent the Sierra Club may change or increase its 2012 demand is not known. Although our latest call with Sierra Club Counsel, Don Mooney, occurred on February 10, 2025, there have been no substantive developments to date.

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**ITEM: PUBLIC HEARING****6. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF 2024 MPWMD ANNUAL REPORT**

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	<b>March 17, 2025</b>	<b>Budgeted:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>From:</b>	<b>David J. Stoldt General Manager</b>	<b>Program/ Line Item No.:</b>	<b>4-2-1</b>
<b>Prepared By:</b>	<b>David J. Stoldt</b>	<b>Cost Estimate:</b>	<b>\$9,735 or \$11,535</b>

**General Counsel Approval: N/A****Committee Recommendation: N/A****CEQA Compliance: Action does not constitute a project as defined by CEQA**

**SUMMARY:** Attached as **Exhibit 6-A** is the draft MPWMD Annual Report for 2024. The District's enabling legislation requires production of an annual written report of the activities of the District in the protection and augmentation of water supplies of the District. The legislation further requires that a public hearing be held each year regarding the contents of the report before it is finalized.

In addition to posting the report on the website and distributing it via the email newsletter, it is recommended that the Board approve distribution of the report to the public through the Monterey County Weekly as an insert in its newspaper in late March or early April. The printing costs for the report (20,100 copies) will be \$6,695 (plus tax of approximately \$700) and insertion and distribution by Monterey County Weekly will be \$2,340 for a total of \$9,735. Funds are budgeted in the current budget for this expenditure. For an additional \$1,800 The Weekly will host the District's annual report for a year and include a newsletter ad highlighting the report once a quarter. They can essentially re-distribute the annual report for twelve months.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Board should conduct a public hearing and adopt the proposed 2024 MPWMD Annual Report with any changes or edits as recommended. The Board should also authorize the distribution of the report as recommended.

**EXHIBIT****6-A Draft 2024 Annual Report**



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the water resources that sustain  
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AND  
SUSTAIN.

2024 ANNUAL REPORT

# Pure Water Monterey to Deliver 60% of the Peninsula's Water

The Pure Water Monterey (PWM) project, funded and built by Monterey One Water, MPWMD (District), and Marina Coast Water, currently provides 38% of the Peninsula's water. Construction of a 2,250 acre-feet-per-year (AFY) expansion was initiated in 2024 and is expected to be completed in late 2025. The PWM Expansion project will provide close to 60% of the Peninsula's drinking water needed for housing, jobs, growth, and drought for years to come.

"We look forward to expanding our commitment with the completion of the Pure Water Monterey Expansion," said Dave Stoldt, General Manager of the Water Management District.

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## Surplus Rain Results in Record Injection Into the Seaside Basin

In its third-best year, the District injected 1,519 AF (acre-feet) of surplus rainwater from the Carmel River into the Seaside Groundwater Basin via the Aquifer Storage and Recovery Project (ASR). That's enough water to meet 16% of annual demand for the Monterey Peninsula.

At the end of the year, the District had 2,189 AF stored in the Pure Water Monterey Operating Reserve and 3,677 AF in the Aquifer Storage and Recovery banked storage.

Customer demand for 2024 resulted in a total production of 8,972 AF of drinking water for the year, the lowest demand since 1957. Water supply sources included 3,355 AF from Pure Water Monterey, 3,829 AF from the Carmel River, 1,682 AF from Seaside Groundwater sources, and 105 AF from the Sand City Desalination Facility.





## Groundwork Laid for Lifting the CDO

Construction of the Pure Water Monterey Expansion project is expected to be completed in late 2025. The PWM Expansion will bring a permanent replacement water supply (see previous page) to meet the Peninsula's needs for decades or act as a bridge until a desalination plant is fully permitted and built. In 2024, the District started taking the necessary steps to lift the State's Cease and Desist Order (CDO) imposed on Cal-Am that would eliminate the moratorium on service connections for new housing.

As a result of Cal Am's over-drafting of the Carmel River, the California State Water Board issued a CDO in 2009 that continues to prevent water from being used for new projects. As of December 31, 2021, the new water supply from PWM ended Cal Am's over-drafting, but the State still has not lifted the CDO.

The District is in the process of allocating a portion of the PWM Expansion water supply to each city and the unincorporated county to meet growth needs over the next 25 years. Lifting the CDO is not required for these allocations, however they will require an existing service connection to receive the allocations. The recent adoption of Ordinance 197 allows the Water District to undertake the allocation process.

## District Manages Grants for New Peninsula Projects

MPWMD continues to manage grants for the Monterey Peninsula. Duties include: (a) Application coordination and submission; (b) Agreement execution and coordination with the California Department of Water Resources; (c) Invoicing, with documentation, on behalf of the Local Project Sponsors; and (d) Reporting.

In 2024, two grants were expended by the District for the benefit of the PWM Expansion project: 1) an Urban Community Drought Relief Grant from the Department of Water Resources for \$11,935,20, and 2) a Directed Assistance Grant coordinated by the State Water Resources Control Board for \$4,800,000.

Also, in 2024, the District managed an Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Implementation Round 2 Grant for the Monterey Peninsula region for \$1,488,961. The two project recipients are: 1) Carmel River Floodplain Restoration and Environmental Enhancement (Carmel River FREE), sponsored by Monterey County, and 2) the Olivier Street Stormwater Diversion Project, sponsored by the City of Monterey.

An IRWM Implementation Round 1 Grant from 2021 will be used in 2025 to construct the West End Stormwater Improvement Project located in a disadvantaged community and sponsored by the City of Sand City.



## Free Webinars Share Conservation and Landscaping Tips

The District hosted 13 online webinars jointly with Cal-Am on conservation topics, including rainwater capture, composting, landscape design, greywater, protecting trees, irrigation basics, and removing lawns. For the 2025 schedule, see [montereywaterinfo.org/events/](http://montereywaterinfo.org/events/). Staff distributed water conservation devices at various community events, including the Carmel Valley Fiesta, Monterey County Fair, and the West End Celebration. The District posted regular updates on Facebook and Instagram to keep the community informed. As a partner with the Water Awareness Committee for Monterey County, the District participated in presentations at local schools.

## Public Outreach Keeps Community Educated and Informed

To help the public better understand the role of the District in water supply, conservation, and environmental protection on the Monterey Peninsula, the District ran monthly ads in the local newspapers, posted on social media, and produced a regular email newsletter. The District also actively engaged with local media on water supply projects, the public's acquisition of the Cal-Am water system (Measure J), and other relevant topics.

## Rebates, Permits, Inspections and Amendments

The District approved 1,080 rebate applications for \$318,467 for quantifiable annual savings of 7.6 AF of water. Properties transferring ownership continued to self-certify compliance with the water efficiency requirements, and the District verified with Certifications of Compliance.

The District issued 731 Water Permits and 94 Water Use Permits to Benefited Properties (i.e., properties eligible to receive a portion of a Water Entitlement).

Staff completed 511 property inspections to verify compliance with water efficiency standards for changes of ownership and use and 1,177 inspections to verify compliance with Water Permits. Staff mailed notices to



property owners and businesses and conducted 47 Non-Residential property inspections to verify compliance with water efficiency standards. As the regional entity responsible for compliance with State landscaping regulations, the District issued 48 Water Permits for new and refurbished landscapes. A total of 625,284 square feet of new landscape area was permitted. The rehabilitated area totaled 349,578 square feet.

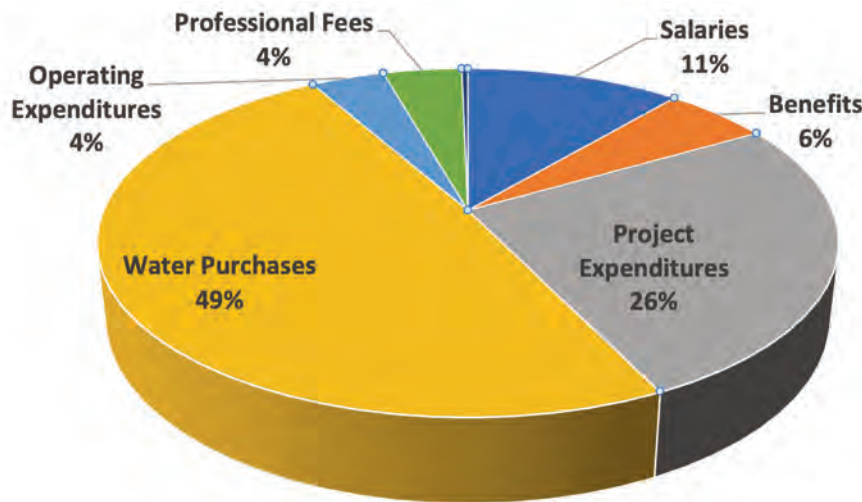
The District also approved three Water Distribution System Permit amendments. The Main Cal-Am System was amended to produce 13.0 Acre-Feet annually of the City of Seaside's stored water credit under Seaside's In-Lieu Groundwater Storage Program for the Ascent housing project, now known as "Seagrove." The second amendment was to increase the number of Connections for five Accessory Dwelling Units and irrigation at Wolters Farm Way in Carmel Valley. The third amendment was to set System Limits and add a Residential Use to the Scarlett WDS Permit. Eleven Confirmation of Exemptions from the Water Distribution System permit requirements were issued for private properties that met the criteria.

## Summer Splash Challenge Gives Away High-Efficiency Prizes

Entries matched the previous year for the 2024 Summer Splash Challenge, a fun family-oriented conservation game sponsored by the District in partnership with Cal-Am. Prizes included a High-Efficiency Clothes Washer, High-Efficiency Dishwashers, an iPad, Home Depot Gift Cards, and VISA Gift Cards.

The District launched the game in the summer when children were out of school. The Challenge was to complete an educational gameboard where participants visited the event website and watched water efficiency videos to find the answers to gameboard questions. Look for the 2025 Challenge this summer!





# Certificate of Financial Excellence Awarded

Clifton Larson Allen, an independent auditing firm, conducted the fiscal year 2023-2024 audit. The District received a clean financial audit report with no material weaknesses or deficiencies. The District included the audit in its tenth consecutive Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR). The report consists of a set of government financial statements that comply with the accounting requirements promoted by the Government Accounting Standards Board and include relevant statistical information about the District.

In 2024, the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) awarded the District a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for its ACFR for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. The District has received the ACFR award for nine consecutive years.

Total revenues in Fiscal Year 2023-2024 were \$31,502,222, while expenditures (shown above) totaled \$27,085,599, generating an increase in fund balance of \$4,416,623. As of June 30, 2024, the District's total fund balance was \$26,100,573. The Fiscal Year 2024-2025 revised budget anticipates revenues and reimbursements of \$43,816,818 and expenditures of \$44,810,168, with the difference as a contribution from general reserves.

The District revamped its purchasing policy to further facilitate a cost-effective, compliant, and efficient purchasing function. The new policy clarifies accountability guidelines for procurement activities and raises purchasing thresholds

for the District's informal and formal solicitations. It provides guidelines for restricted purchases and allows the use of various types of contracts such as Standing Supply, Master Services, Public Works, Goods and General Services, and Cooperative Purchasing agreements.

Among other changes, the policy incorporates the California Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Act requirements for the District's Public Contracts, which permits simplified bidding and expedited contracting based on project size.

The District negotiated and implemented new collective bargaining agreements with its three unions. The new union contracts amended district salaries based on peer-review salary surveys and included cost of living adjustments. These new agreements will also assist in reducing liabilities by introducing eligibility requirements for retiree healthcare reimbursements.

As part of its efforts to increase resiliency, the District began procuring a backup power generator to ensure that District servers and critical systems continue to function during an outage.

The District is in the final phase of reaching a settlement with the Monterey Peninsula Taxpayers Association regarding its collection of the Water Supply charge. Following a court ruling in September 2024, staff successfully worked with the County to rescind the Water Supply Charge from the 2024-25 property tax bills in time.

# Taking Care of the River and The Wild Things Within

In 2024, the District completed its Mitigation Program required by the 1990 Water Allocation Environmental Impact Report. This program is designed to preserve the ecological integrity of the Carmel River by alleviating impacts associated with water extraction for water supply. The program includes river restoration activities, monitoring, and rescuing threatened steelhead from drying portions of the Carmel River and tributaries. This comprehensive program tracks changes in the riparian corridor, steelhead population, depth to groundwater and river flow, and the lagoon.

The District continued to monitor dry-back conditions due to impacts from groundwater withdrawal and successfully rescued 5,633 juvenile steelhead from the Carmel River Basin in 2024. The fish were released into the Carmel River in perennial waters. Rescued fish were implanted with passive integrated transponder (PIT) tags before their release to track their migration and survival.

Staff also conducted late-season surveys of redds or steelhead nests. However, high flows in late winter and early spring hindered the crew from starting surveys during the optimum timeframe for spawning, and only 21 redds in 18 miles of river were observed. Although this was not the optimum timeframe for spawning steelhead, it was for Pacific Lamprey, which yielded a record of 632 lamprey redds. This could be an indication of a rebounding Pacific Lamprey run in the Carmel River watershed.

Staff continued to work with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) on field studies to develop a steelhead population life history model for the watershed. This is based on tagged fish from NMFS studies, District fall population surveys, and rescued fish from both the District and the Carmel River Steelhead Association. This effort included installing tag detection stations (arrays) from the lower valley to below Los Padres Reservoir. District fall population densities trended at just above average this season, and 1,290 fish were implanted with PIT tags to support these studies and help describe long-term trends in steelhead survival.

Staff continued long-term efforts to monitor water quality conditions and fish passage in the Carmel River Basin to assess impacts on habitat from municipal and private pumping along the Carmel River. The District also carried out a wetland survey of the Carmel River lagoon area to track long-term trends associated with water extracted for community use.

In late fall, District crews carried out the Vegetation Management Program in the active channel of the Carmel River to prevent debris dams and erosion. This work is authorized through a Regional General Permit from the Army Corps of Engineers and a Routine Maintenance Agreement with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. Vegetation Management includes trimming back encroaching vegetation and reducing the hazard of downed trees by cutting them into smaller sections in preparation for winter flows. In addition, our crews removed the trash and plastic from the active channel of the river before winter rain washed them into the ocean. The District also assisted property owners along the Carmel River by evaluating streambanks for stability after high erosive stream flows and recommended protective measures.



**ITEM: PUBLIC HEARING****7. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF APRIL THROUGH JUNE 2025 QUARTERLY WATER SUPPLY STRATEGY AND BUDGET**

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	<b>March 17, 2025</b>	<b>Budgeted:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>From:</b>	<b>David J. Stoldt, General Manager</b>	<b>Program/ Line Item No.:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Prepared By:</b>	<b>Jonathan Lear</b>	<b>Cost Estimate:</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**General Counsel Review: N/A****Committee Recommendation: N/A****CEQA Compliance: Notice of Exemption, CEQA, Article 19, Section 15301 (Class 1)****ESA Compliance: Consistent with the September 2001 and February 2009 Conservation Agreements between the National Marine Fisheries Service and California American Water to minimize take of listed steelhead in the Carmel River and Consistent with SWRCB WR Order Nos. 95-10, 98-04, 2002-0002, and 2016-0016.**

**SUMMARY:** The Board will accept public comment and take action on the **April through June 2025** Quarterly Water Supply Strategy and Budget for California American Water's (CalAm's) Main and Satellite Water Distribution Systems (WDS), which are within the Monterey Peninsula Water Resources System (MPWRS). The proposed budget, which is included as **Exhibit 7-A**, outline monthly production by source of supply that will be required to meet projected customer demand in CalAm's Main and Laguna Seca Subarea systems, i.e., Ryan Ranch, Bishop, and Hidden Hills, during the **April through June 2025** period. The proposed strategy and budget is designed to maximize the long-term production potential and protect the environmental quality of the Seaside Groundwater and Carmel River Basins.

**Exhibit 7-A** shows the anticipated production by CalAm's Main system for each production source and the actual production values for the water year to date through the end of **February 2025**. Cal-Am's annual Main system production for Water Year (WY) 2025 will not exceed 4,850 acre-feet (AF). Sources available to meet customer demand are 1,474 AF from the Coastal Subareas of the Seaside Groundwater Basin as set by the Seaside Basin Adjudication Decision and 3,376 AF from the Carmel River as set by WRO 2016-16. Additional water projects and water rights available are an estimated 900 AF of Pure Water Monterey Injection over this quarter, and 0 AF recovery of ASR from the estimated 3,680 AF from ASR Phase 1 and 2 storage remaining from WY 2020 to WY 2024, an estimated 150 AF from the Sand City Desalination Plant, and an estimated 100 AF from CalAm's Table 13 water rights. Under Table 13 water rights, CalAm is allowed to produce water for in-basin uses when bypass flows are in excess of permit conditions. This water budget proposes to produce 925 AF of Pure Water Monterey, so about 350 AF will be added to the Operational Yield for this quarter. The schedule of production from the Carmel Valley Alluvial Aquifer is consistent with State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Order Nos. 95-10, 98-04, 2002-0002, and 2016-0016. In compliance with WRO 2016-0016, any water

diverted under these rights must be used to reduce unlawful diversion from the Carmel River Basin.

According to the Seaside Basin Adjudication Decision, CalAm's production has been reduced to 0 AF. It is recognized that CalAm will need to produce water to serve its customers in the Hidden Hills Distribution System and production in Laguna Seca will be tracked as a ministerial component of tracking production against the Adjudication Decision. CalAm has completed an intertie between the Monterey Main System and the Bishop and Ryan Ranch Systems that allows for transfer of water between the systems.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Board should receive public input, close the Public Hearing, and discuss the proposed quarterly water supply budget. District staff recommends adoption of the proposed budget. The budget is described in greater detail in **Exhibit 7-B**, Quarterly Water Supply Strategy Report: **April – June 2025**.

**BACKGROUND:** The Water Supply Strategy and Budget prescribes production within CalAm's Main and Laguna Seca Subarea systems and is developed on a quarterly schedule. Staff from the District, CalAm, the National Marine Fisheries Services (NMFS), State Water Resources Control Board's Division of Water Rights (SWRCB-DWR), and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) cooperatively develop this strategy to comply with regulatory requirements and maximize the environmental health of the resource system while meeting customer demand. To the greatest extent pumping in the Carmel Valley is minimized in the summer months and the Seaside wells are used to meet demand by recovering native water and banked Carmel River water. Also, it was agreed that CalAm will operate its wells in the Lower Carmel Valley in a downstream to upstream order.

If flows exceed 20 cfs at the District's Don Juan Gage, CalAm is allowed to produce from its Upper Carmel Valley Wells, which are used to supply water for injection into the Seaside Groundwater Basin. The permitted diversion season for ASR is between December 1 and May 31. Diversions to storage for ASR will be initiated whenever flows in the river are above permit threshold values. For planning purposes, the QWB group schedules diversions to ASR storage based on operational days that would occur in an average streamflow year. CalAm may also divert under Table 13 Water Rights for in-basin use within Carmel Valley when flows are adequate. This schedule is estimated with a below average year streamflow conditions and daily demand for Carmel Valley. CalAm will schedule the recovery of Pure Water Monterey water stored in the Seaside Basin with the goal of removing all water injected over the operational reserve for WY 2025. There is also a projected goal of producing 25 AF of treated brackish groundwater from the Sand City Desalination Plant in each of these three months.

Rule 101, Section B of the District Rules and Regulations requires that a Public Hearing be held at the time of determination of the District water supply management strategy. Adoption of the quarterly water supply strategy and budget is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements as per Article 19, Section 15301 (Class 1). A Notice of Exemption will be filed with the Monterey County Clerk's office, pending Board action on this item.

**EXHIBITS**

**7-A** Quarterly Water Supply Strategy and Budget for Cal-Am Main System: April – June 2023

**7-B** Quarterly Water Supply Strategy and Budget Report: April - June 2023

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**California American Water Main Distribution System  
Quarterly Water Supply Strategy and Budget: April - June 2025  
Proposed Production Targets by Source and Projected Use in Acre-Feet**

SOURCE/USE	MONTH			YEAR-TO-DATE		
	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Oct-24 to Feb-25	% of YTD	% of Annual Budget
<b>Source</b>						
	ASR Injection					
<b>Carmel Valley Aquifer</b>						
Upper Subunits	90	0	0			
Lower Subunits	50	310	340			
ASR Diversion	200	0	0			
Table 13 Diversion (Service)	<u>50</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>340</b>			
<b>Seaside Groundwater Basin</b>						
Coastal Subareas	100	100	140			
ASR Recovery	0	0	0			
Sand City Desalination	25	25	25			
Pure Water Monterey	365	315	245			
<b>Total</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>410</b>			
<b>Use</b>						
Customer Service	630	750	750			
Table 13 In Basin use	50	0	0			
ASR Injection	200	0	0			
<b>Total</b>	<b>880</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>750</b>			

Notes:

- The annual budget period corresponds to the Water Year, which begins on October 1 and ends on September 30 of the following Calendar Year.
- Total monthly production for "Customer Service" in CAW's main system was calculated by multiplying total annual production (4,850 AF) times the average percentage of annual production for April, May, and June (8.2%, 9.0%, and 8.9%, respectively). According to District Rule 160, the annual production total was based on the assumption that production from the Coastal Subareas of the Seaside Groundwater Basin would not exceed 1,474 AF and production from Carmel River sources, without adjustments for water produced from water resources projects, would not exceed 3,376 AF in WY 2023. The average production percentages were based on monthly data for customer service from WY 2015 to 2020.
- Maximum daily diversion values for ASR are based on an average diversion rate of approximately 13 AF per day from CAW's sources in the Carmel River Basin. Total monthly production is estimated by multiplying the maximum daily production by operational days per month for "Wet" flow conditions at the Sleepy Hollow Weir.
- The production targets for CAW's wells in the Seaside Coastal Subareas are based on the assumption that sufficient flow will occur in the Carmel River at the targeted levels, to support ASR injection. It is planned that Coastal Subarea pumping will not occur, or will be proportionally reduced, if ASR injection does not occur at targeted levels.
- The production targets for CAW's wells in the Seaside Coastal Subareas are based on the need for CAW to produce its full Standard Allocation to be in compliance with SWRCB WRO No. 2016-0016.
- It should be noted that monthly totals for Carmel Valley Aquifer sources may be different than those shown in MPWMD Rule 160, Table XV-3. These differences result from monthly target adjustments needed to be consistent with SWRCB WRO 98-04, which describes how Cal-Am Seaside Wellfield is to be used to offset production in Carmel Valley during low-flow periods. Adjustments are also made to the Quarterly Budgets to ensure that compliance is achieved on an annual basis with MPWMD Rule 160 totals.
- Table 13 values reflect source/use estimates based on SWRCB Permit 21330, which allows diversions from the CVA for "In Basin use" (3.25 AFD) when flows in the River exceed threshold values. In accordance with Water Rights Permits 21330 and CDO2009-0060, water produced and consumed under this right is subtracted from the CVA annual base amount. Actual values will be dependant on the number of days flows exceed minimum daily instream flow requirements.





## EXHIBIT 7-B

### **Quarterly Water Supply Strategy and Budget Report California American Water Main Water Distribution System: April – June 2025**

#### 1. Management Objectives

The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (District) desires to maximize the long-term production potential and protect the environmental quality of the Carmel River and Seaside Groundwater Basins. In addition, the District desires to maximize the amount of water that can be diverted from the Carmel River Basin and injected into the Seaside Groundwater Basin while complying with the instream flow requirements recommended by the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to protect the Carmel River steelhead population. To accomplish these goals, a water supply strategy and budget for production within California American Water's (CalAm's) Main and Laguna Seca Subarea water distribution systems is reviewed quarterly to determine the optimal strategy for operations, given the current hydrologic and system conditions, and legal constraints on the sources and amounts of water to be produced.

#### 2. Quarterly Water Supply Strategy: April - June 2025

On March 5, 2025 the Quarterly Water Budget Group including staff from the District, CalAm, the National Marine Fisheries Services (NMFS), State Water Resources Control Board's Division of Water Rights (SWRCB-DWR), and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) received the draft Quarterly Water Budget and were invited to provide comments and direction related to the proposed water supply strategy and related topics for upcoming quarter.

**Carmel River Basin** CalAm will operate its wells in the Lower Carmel Valley in a downstream to upstream sequence, as needed to meet customer demand. It was recognized by the group that WY 2025 began as an below average precipitation year, and the storms in late January resulted in sustainable flows on that Carmel River that would triggered sustained ASR Operations and Table 13 Diversions. The River dropped below flow triggers for diversion of ASR and Table 13 on February 28 and returned to flows allowing injection on March 3. For this quarterly water budget, it was agreed that CalAm would plan to produce water from the wells in the Upper Carmel Valley to support ASR diversions. It was assumed that the low flow trigger could be met at some point during this quarter and continued rainfall in the forecast could push the trigger into June, the group decided to assume the trigger would happen in June 2025 to be conservative. At that point in time, fish rescues will be necessary this water year. The group will be watching streamflow and when the low flow trigger occurs, to the maximum extent, pumping will be shifted away from the river wells and the Seaside well field will be used to meet system demand in the summer months. Any new sources of water reduce the water available to be pumped from the river on a one to one basis consistent with SBO 2016-0016.

**Seaside Groundwater Basin** Because production limits off the River are greatly reduced when compared to recent history, the Seaside Well Field is being used to recover a mix of Native Groundwater, Pure Water Monterey, and banked ASR water. The bypass pipeline is currently being utilized to allow for simultaneous PWM recovery and ASR injection. At that time, the Seaside wells will be utilized to recover Seaside Native Groundwater, stored Pure Water Monterey water, and inject in ASR 1 and 2. There is also a goal to produce 25 AF of treated brackish groundwater from the Sand City Desalination Plant in each of these three months.

It is recognized that, based on recent historical use, CalAm's production from the Laguna Seca Subarea during this period cannot be reduced to zero, as is set by CalAm's allocation specified in the Seaside Basin Adjudication Decision. In this context, the production targets represent the maximum monthly production that should occur so that CalAm remains within its adjudicated allocation for the Laguna Seca Subarea. Under the amended Seaside Basin Decision, CalAm is allowed to use production savings in the Coastal Subareas to offset over-production in the Laguna Seca Subarea. However, the quarterly budget was developed so that CalAm would produce all native groundwater in the Coastal Subareas and Laguna Seca production would be over the Adjudication allotment. On February 5, 2020 the Seaside Groundwater Basin Watermaster Board voted to allow CalAm to claim carryover credits to cover the pumping over the Laguna Seca allotment in the interim prior to establishing a physical solution. Because of this decision, the Quarterly Water Budget Group decided that the table presenting the Laguna Seca allotment of zero would no longer be necessary as the Watermaster is now planning to handle the pumping over allotment with a different mechanism.

**ITEM: ACTION ITEM****8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL BUDGET FOR LEGAL SERVICES FROM SHUTE MIHALY & WEINBERGER**

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	<b>March 17, 2025</b>	<b>Budgeted:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>From:</b>	<b>David J. Stoldt, General Manager</b>	<b>Program/ Line Item:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Prepared By:</b>	<b>David J. Stoldt</b>	<b>Cost Estimate:</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>

**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 December 23, 2020 in connection with California American Water (Cal-Am) Company’s challenge to the environmental review of the potential acquisition of the Monterey Water System, Monterey County Superior Court Case No. 20CV003201 the District hired Shute Mihaly & Weinberger for representation with a budget up to \$25,000. That environmental review was in support of the District’s Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) application.

On January 5, 2022, the District signed an engagement letter with the firm for services related to litigation over LAFCO’s decision rejecting the activation of latent powers of the District to sell water retail. The budget was set at \$125,000. That engagement resulted in a lawsuit: MPWMD v. Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) & Cal-Am, 22CV000925. The District brought this lawsuit to challenge LAFCO’s conduct and administrative decisions regarding exercise of District powers to acquire Cal-Am water system facilities in accord with the voter mandate in Measure J. On December 7, 2023, Judge Thomas Wills ruled in favor of the District, and against LAFCO. The matter is now on appeal before the Sixth District Court of Appeal (H051849.)

The budget for Shute Mihaly & Weinberger has been exhausted. However, the District believes that the firm continues to add value in both the appeal of the LAFCO decision, as well as “latent power” issues in the eminent domain proceeding, as co-counsel.

Estimating the level of legal activity is difficult, but the District is entering a complex and very active part of the bench trial – also referred to as the “Right to Take” trial. It is recommended that an additional authorization of \$100,000 for the remainder of the fiscal year be approved. Such an amount will be reflected in the pending budget.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The General Manager recommends the Board approve an additional budget for Shute Mihaly & Weinberger of \$100,000.

**EXHIBITS**

None



**ITEM: ACTION ITEM****9. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF DISTRICT STRATEGIC GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR 2025****Meeting Date: March 17, 2025 Budgeted: N/A****From: David J. Stoldt, General Manager Program/ Line Item No.: N/A****Prepared By: David J. Stoldt 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.**

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**SUMMARY:** The Board met on February 28<sup>th</sup> in a public meeting workshop setting at Asilomar conference center, where strategic goals were discussed. The meeting was facilitated by the General Manager, General Counsel, and the Board Clerk.

The Board undertook the following:

- Reviewed the goal-setting process; Definitions of “goal” v “objective”; Reviewed the “SMART” criteria for objectives (“SMART”: Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, Time).
- Reviewed and summarized recent year goals.
- Directors anonymously identified “Top 3” goals for calendar year, “Top 2” longer-term goals; Results were compiled and posted.
- Discussion ensued – Key Questions:
  - a. Do we think similarly or are there differences?
  - b. What’s missing? Too many?
  - c. What should be long-term versus near-term?
  - d. Can we rank priority?
- Objectives were developed making sure there is no duplication of goals and objectives; objectives are clear and meet the SMART criteria; and objectives are properly aligned with goals.
- The Directors agreed to goals for the District to focus on; Directors agreed to some objectives under each goal that are appropriate and have realistic timelines.
- The General Manager was asked to clean up the list of agreed upon goals and objectives

and prepare an exhibit for subsequent Board adoption.

**Exhibit 9-A** summarizes the recommended Strategic Goals and Objectives for 2025.

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**9-A** Recommended Strategic Goals and Objectives for 2025

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Monterey Peninsula Water Management District  
2025 Strategic Goals and Objectives  
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**Near-Term Goals (1-Year)****Goal #1: Continue planning and implementation for protecting and increasing water supply***Objectives:*

- Engage State Water Board on lifting of Cease and Desist Order (CDO) & moratorium on new meters with target of December 2025.
- Work with Monterey One Water to deliver the Pure Water Expansion project by calendar year end.
- Examine increasing ASR capacity.
- Maintain focus on long-term supply and demand forecasting to inform additional water supply needs.
- Implement/monitor new regulatory requirements (Urban Water Management Plan, Water Use Efficiency Standards, Non-Functional Turf policy, etc.)

**Goal #2: Implement public ownership of Monterey Water System as directed by the voters***Objectives:*

- Pursue “bench trial” on the public “right to take,” including discovery and due diligence.
- Expand public outreach.
- Plan for financing, rates, staffing, and operations.

**Goal #3: Focus on Seaside Groundwater Basin Management***Objectives:*

- Collaborate with Marina Coast Water District, Seaside Municipal, Seaside Basin Watermaster, and others.
- Evaluate additional storage of water – sources, cost, infrastructure

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- Communicate District activities, studies, and/or results to Watermaster

### **Goal #4: Increase public engagement and maintain leadership role on water issues**

*Objectives:*

- Consider forming citizens' panel.
- Increase use of email, social media and town halls.
- Highlight progress on current goals and objectives.
- Increase visibility at state and local conferences.

### **Goal #5: Protect, enhance, and maintain District's financial health**

*Objectives:*

- Review reserve policy and forecast of revenue sources/collections.
- Ensure fiscal stability in face of litigation activities, Pure Water Monterey reserve accumulation, refunds, other.
- Regularly report on exposure, risk policy, grants.
- Maintain GFOA award and CSDA transparency certificate of compliance.
- Continue to develop strategy for PERS and OPEB liabilities in budget planning.

### Longer-Term Goals (1-3 Years)

### **Goal #6: Review Carmel River Mitigation Program**

*Objectives:*

- Identify Carmel River mitigation activities required by regulatory conditions.
- Identify data monitoring needed to implement changes to Carmel River mitigation program requirements.
- Add climate change/climate action to Carmel River planning functions.



**ITEM: DISCUSSION ITEM****10. CONSIDER REPEAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 152****Meeting Date:** March 17, 2025 **Budgeted:** N/A**From:** David J. Stoldt  
General Manager **Program/  
Line Item No.:** N/A**Prepared By:** David J. Stoldt **Cost Estimate:** N/A**General Counsel Approval:** N/A**Committee Recommendation:****CEQA Compliance:** This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15378.

**SUMMARY:** In 2021, the Monterey Peninsula Taxpayers Association (MPTA) brought a lawsuit against the District seeking to suspend or sunset its Water Supply Charge – MPTA v. MPWMD, Monterey County Superior Court 21CV003066 – which was decided against the District. The District subsequently appealed to the 6th District Court of Appeal (H0-51128,) but the appellate court found against the District, upholding the Superior Court’s decision that the Water Supply Charge should be suspended or sunset.

Four additional separate challenges against District collection of the Water Supply Charge remain pending by MPTA. The parties stipulated to resolve Petitioners’ claims through a refund process and payment of attorney’s fees incurred by MPTA, yet to be approved by the court. The court continued Case Management for the open cases pending implementation of a proposed settlement.

The Water Supply Charge was established in 2012 via Ordinance 152. Section thirteen of Ordinance 152 (attached as **Exhibit 10-A**) allows the District Board to amend the Ordinance to (i) temporarily suspend the Supply Charge, (ii) reduce the rate of the Supply Charge, or (iii) repeal this ordinance in its entirety.

The Board should review the options allowed under the Ordinance and provide staff general direction on whether to repeal, reduce, or suspend.

**EXHIBIT****10-A** Ordinance 152, Section Thirteen



**Section Thirteen: Limitation on Modification**

No subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall, for any reason, be amended by the District Board unless the District Board: (a) conducts a hearing on the proposed amendment, (b) causes mailed notice of the hearing to be given in the manner set forth in Article XIII D of the California Constitution, (c) accepts protests against the amendment in the manner set forth in Article XIII D of the California Constitution, and (d) determines that a majority protest to the modification does not exist. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the District Board may, without complying with the foregoing sentence, amend this Ordinance to (i) temporarily suspend the Supply Charge, (ii) reduce the rate of the Supply Charge, or (iii) repeal this ordinance in its entirety. Furthermore, nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to create notice, protest or hearing rights (if not otherwise created by state or federal law) with respect to any action taken by the Board of Directors for the purpose of complying with any (i) court order, (ii) published appellate court or federal court decision (including a decision in a case to which the District is not a party), (iii) change in statutory law, or (iv) amendment to the California or federal constitutions.

On motion by Director Brower, and second by Director Markey, the foregoing Ordinance is adopted upon this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 2012, by the following vote:


AYES: Brower, Markey, Byrne, Lehman, Lewis, Pendergrass

NAYS: Potter

ABSENT: None

I, David J. Stoldt, Secretary to the Board of Directors of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of an ordinance duly adopted on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 2012.

Witness my hand and seal of the Board of Directors this 27th day of June 2012.

  
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David J. Stoldt, Secretary to the Board



**ITEM: DISCUSSION ITEM****11. DISCUSS SEASIDE SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER DIVIDE TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM**

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	<b>March 17, 2025</b>	<b>Budgeted:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>From:</b>	<b>David J. Stoldt General Manager</b>	<b>Program/ Line Item No.:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Prepared By:</b>	<b>David J. Stoldt</b>	<b>Cost Estimate:</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**General Counsel Approval: 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.**

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**SUMMARY:** As part of ongoing District-funded work to understand the influence of groundwater levels in the Salinas Valley on conditions in the Seaside Subbasin, the District contracted with Montgomery & Associates (Consultant) to further investigate and summarize the dynamics of the groundwater flow divide that defines the northern boundary of the Seaside Subbasin. The Consultant’s technical memorandum is attached as **Exhibit 11-A**.

The District’s Water Supply Planning Committee reviewed and discussed the technical memorandum at its March 3, 2025 meeting and recommended informing the full Board of its findings.

Principal conclusions of the memorandum are as follows:

- The physical flow divide is dynamic and moves over time in response to changes in pumping and recharge, both seasonally and long-term;
- The flow divide does not align with the court-adjudicated boundary, nor the State Department of Water Resources boundary published in its Bulletin 118;
- The interpretation of inflow and outflow across the adjudicated basin boundary needs to be re-considered in light of this, as in theory there would be zero flow across an actual flow divide.

Previous estimates and discussions of inter-basin flows have been based solely on the position of the jurisdictional subbasin boundary rather than on the actual position of the flow divide. In fact, at its November 6, 2024 meeting the Seaside Groundwater Basin Watermaster adopted a “target” for annual replenishment water – if such water was available – based in part upon net outflows from the basin (see “Summary of Updated Replenishment Water Analyses”, October 10, 2022 and updated September 10, 2024, an Attachment to Watermaster agenda Item VIII.A, November 6, 2024. aka “Watermaster Summary”)

**This new technical memorandum effectively calls into question the entire concept of “Net Flows from the Deep Aquifer to the Monterey Subbasin” as shown in Figure 11 of the Watermaster Summary (Exhibit 11-B.)** Hence, several of the principal conclusions of the Watermaster Summary presented November 6, 2024 cannot be substantiated. Specifically, groundwater is not predictably “lost” to the Monterey Subbasin. **Therefore, the replenishment “target” adopted by the Watermaster is based upon an unproven assumption of leakage or outflow** and should be revisited with additional groundwater modeling analyses.

The Consultant proposes that a potential new analysis framework could be developed and used as part of Seaside Boundary Conditions Sensitivity Analysis work currently underway by the Watermaster.

## **EXHIBITS**

**11-A** Seaside Subbasin Groundwater Divide Technical Memorandum

**11-B** Figure 11 of the Watermaster Summary 11/6/24



February 3, 2025

Mr. Jonathan Lear  
Water Resources Manager  
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District  
P.O. Box 85  
Monterey, CA 93942-0085

## **SUBJECT: SEASIDE SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER DIVIDE**

Dear Mr. Lear:

Per your request, Montgomery & Associates (M&A) has prepared this letter memorandum to summarize the current understanding of the dynamics of the groundwater flow divide that defines the northern boundary of the Seaside Subbasin. This northern boundary is shared with the Monterey Subbasin and has historically been defined by the position of a groundwater flow divide inferred from groundwater elevation contours. Unlike the southern boundary of the Seaside Subbasin, the groundwater divide is not a physical structural boundary, but rather a ridge of higher groundwater elevation that develops between the pumping depressions in the Seaside Subbasin and pumping depressions further north in the Monterey and 180/400-Foot Aquifer Subbasins in the Salinas Valley. As part of ongoing Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD) funded work to understand the influence of groundwater levels in the Salinas Valley to conditions in the Seaside Subbasin, M&A reviewed previous work and publications that evaluated the position of the flow divide based on mapped groundwater levels (See Figures 1 and 2). We also looked at the results of previous modeling studies (HydroMetrics LLC, 2009b, M&A 2022) using the Seaside Watermaster Groundwater model to determine if the model can be used to identify the position of the flow divide (Figure 3) over time and how it responds to changes in basin management activities such as seasonal and long-term shifts in pumping and injection. The results of this review are summarized below:

- The positions of the flow divides in the Paso Robles (PR) and Santa Margarita (SM) Aquifers are different (see Figure 2).
- The simulated and mapped position of the flow divides do not align with either the Adjudicated or the DWR Bulletin 118 jurisdictional Basin boundaries (see example on Figure 3).

- The flow divides are dynamic, and their positions move over time in response to changes in pumping and recharge in each subbasin (both seasonally and long term).
- The 2009 Basin Management Action Plan (BMAP) (HydroMetrics, LLC, 2009a) and the 2018 BMAP update (M&A, 2019) describe the northern boundary as being roughly parallel to (rather than coincident with) the position of mapped groundwater divides and highlight the differences between the location of the jurisdictional basin boundary and the position of mapped flow divides in both the Shallow and Deep Aquifer. Both documents describe the dynamic nature of the flow divide positions in response to changes in conditions on either side.
- The 2009 BMAP (HydroMetrics, LLC, 2009a) identified the Seaside Subbasin’s northern boundary as a management issue that needed to be addressed:
  - “This BMAP identifies other basin management issues that need to be addressed and pursued by the Watermaster. One such issue is the dynamic nature of the Basin’s northern boundary. This boundary (flow divide), although delineated in the Amended Decision will change location over time in response to changes in pumping in the Seaside area, Marina, the Salinas Valley and the lower El Toro Creek area. Given that this boundary is controlled by hydraulic factors, it is possible that if pumping in the Seaside area ceased completely and groundwater levels recovered to a certain point, groundwater in the northern portion of the Basin might flow into the Salinas Valley. Similarly, increased pumping in the Seaside Groundwater Basin might capture groundwater from the Salinas Valley.”
- Review of groundwater levels from previous simulations suggests:
  - The groundwater level ridge that defines the flow divide in the SM can disappear locally and seasonally in response to increases in groundwater levels associated with Pure Water Monterey (PWM) and Carmel River Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) injection operations. As the injection mounds develop around the injection wells the local water levels eventually rise above the previous elevation of the groundwater ridge such that locally it ceases to form a divide and instead forms a sort of north flowing chute through which water flows from the areas of higher groundwater elevation around the wells to areas north with lower elevation.
  - Similarly, long term increase of groundwater levels in both aquifers within the Seaside Subbasin may also cause areas of the flow divides to disappear and/or move further into the Seaside Subbasin as water levels south of the previous position of the groundwater ridge rise above it.



- Increases in groundwater levels due to ongoing and projected future reductions in pumping from wells screened in the PR (e.g., reductions from a shift to recycled water for golf course irrigation and a shift from older multi-aquifer production wells to newer wells screened only in SM), coupled with recharge from the PWM shallow aquifer vadose zone well and percolation ponds could eliminate the PR flow divide altogether or shift it much further into the Seaside subbasin.

Previous estimates and discussions of inter-basin flows have been based solely on the position of the jurisdictional subbasin boundary rather than on the actual position of the flow divides. The interpretation of inflows and outflow across the adjudicated basin boundary needs to be re-considered in light of this, because theoretically there would be zero flow across an actual flow divide.

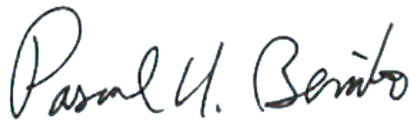
Take for example the Deep Aquifer, where water level mapping has consistently shown the position of the flow divide to be north of the adjudication boundary line. Flow lines that move north across the jurisdictional boundary may not actually continue toward the Salinas Valley. They may bend toward the west, parallel to the groundwater divide, with some flow lines moving back across the jurisdictional boundary and being captured by the Seaside pumping depression; other flow lines may continue west to the offshore portions of the aquifer. In other cases such as those described in the bullets above where the flow divide is no longer continuous, some of these flow lines that cross the jurisdictional boundary could potentially continue further north and not get recaptured. Similarly, some of the water being captured by the Seaside pumping depression could in fact be coming from across the adjudicated boundary line from what is jurisdictionally the Monterey Subbasin but could still be originating from within the Seaside subbasin if the boundary were considered as being defined by the actual position of the flow divide.

An alternate analysis framework that incorporates and considers the dynamic position of the flow divides in each aquifer can be developed using the model. For example, particle tracking could be used to trace the movement of particles released along the adjudicated boundary line during each simulated stress period. This would allow us to track where cross-boundary flows exit and/or enter the subbasin, what fraction of the particles flow into or out of the subbasin, and/or are recaptured within the Seaside subbasin. The particle path lines would also serve to help visualize the changing positions of the flow divides in each aquifer relative to the jurisdictional boundary line.

This new analysis framework would complement, rather than replace, the water budget cross-boundary flow estimates developed based on the jurisdictional boundary and could be used to re-evaluate previous model scenarios that have already been simulated or as a tool used for evaluating new model scenarios. We feel it is important to investigate what impact this would

have on interpretations of future projects and management actions in the Seaside Subbasin and the wider Salinas Valley. We propose that this new analysis framework be developed as an additional data analysis task as part of the Seaside Boundary Conditions Sensitivity Analysis work currently underway. If the District sees value in this approach, we can develop a cost estimate proposal to incorporate it into the scope of work. Please let us know if you have any questions or would like to discuss the material presented in more detail.

Sincerely,  
MONTGOMERY & ASSOCIATES



Pascual Benito, Ph.D.  
Senior Hydrogeologist

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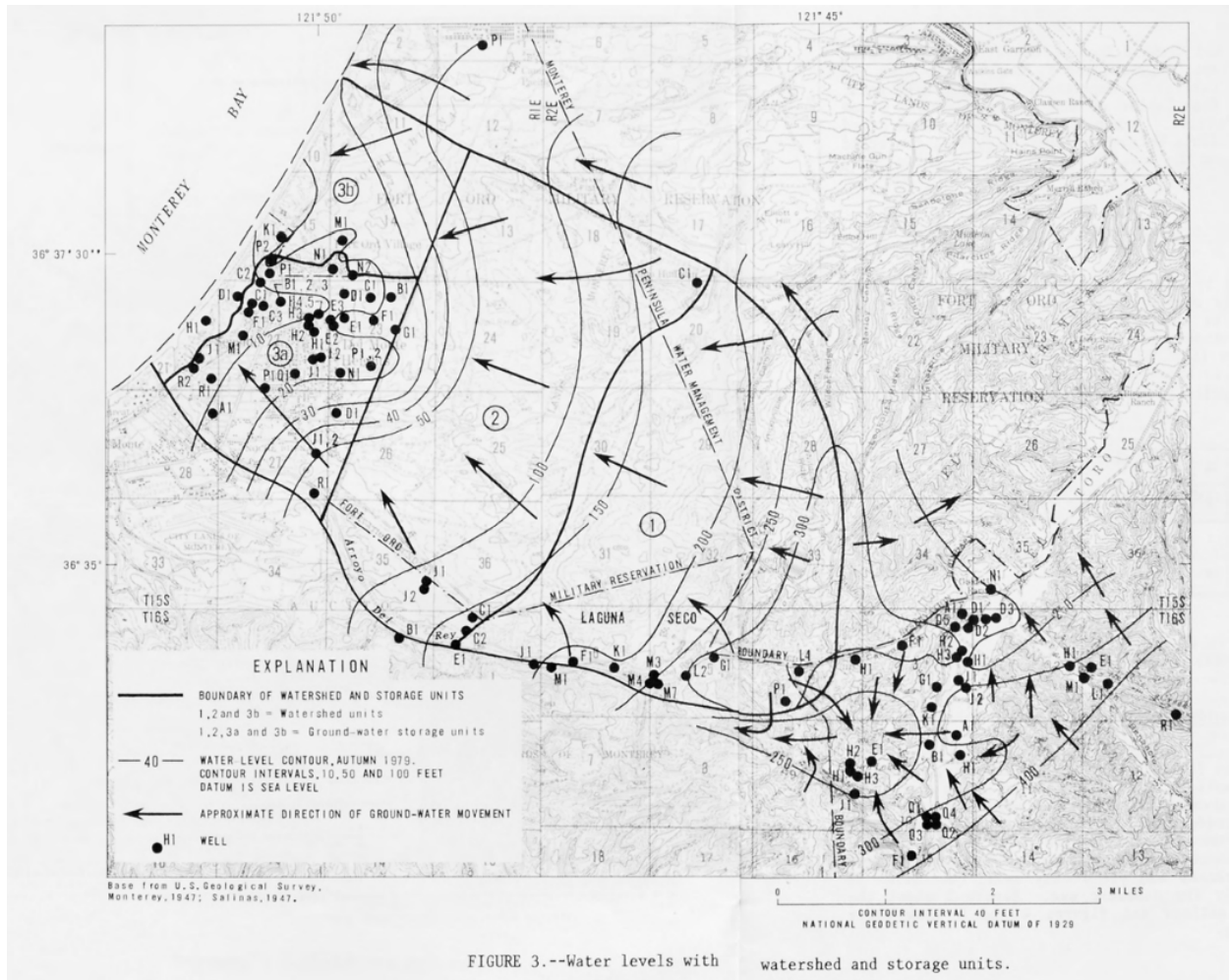


Figure 1. Seaside Basin Watershed and Storage Units as Drawn by K.S. Muir (USGS, 1982) based on 1979 water level data.

K.S. Muir (U.S. Geological Survey [USGS], 1982) describes that the data were averaged from wells screened across multiple depths and aquifers, and thus represents a composite of both the Deep and Shallow Aquifer. The report describes the north and east boundaries of the basin “watershed” as being “in the vicinity of groundwater divides”, but the northern boundary appears to be drawn slightly south of where an inferred flow divide would be located based on the drawn contour lines. It should be noted that there is only a single data point north of the boundary line with which to infer the position of a groundwater divide. The USGS 1982 report is cited as the basis for the basin adjudication boundary and for the DWR Bulletin 118 Subbasin boundary adopted in 2018.

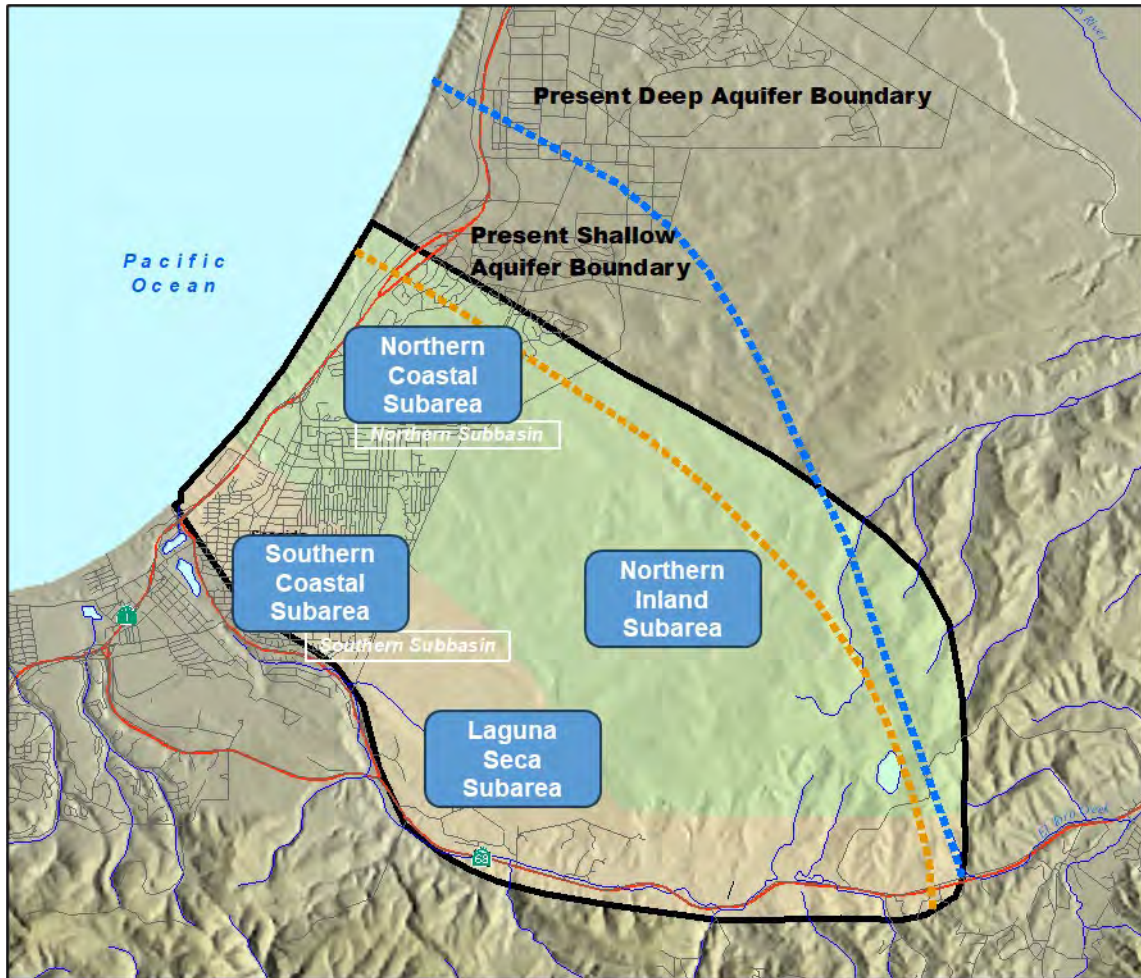


Figure 2. Positions of Shallow (orange dashed line) and Deep Aquifer Flow Divide (blue dashed line)

These flow divide positions are based on hand drawn contour maps of water level data from fall 2002 by Yates *et al.* (2005), as shown in a slide presentation of the 2009 Basin Management Action Plan (BMAP) (HydroMetrics, LLC, 2009a).

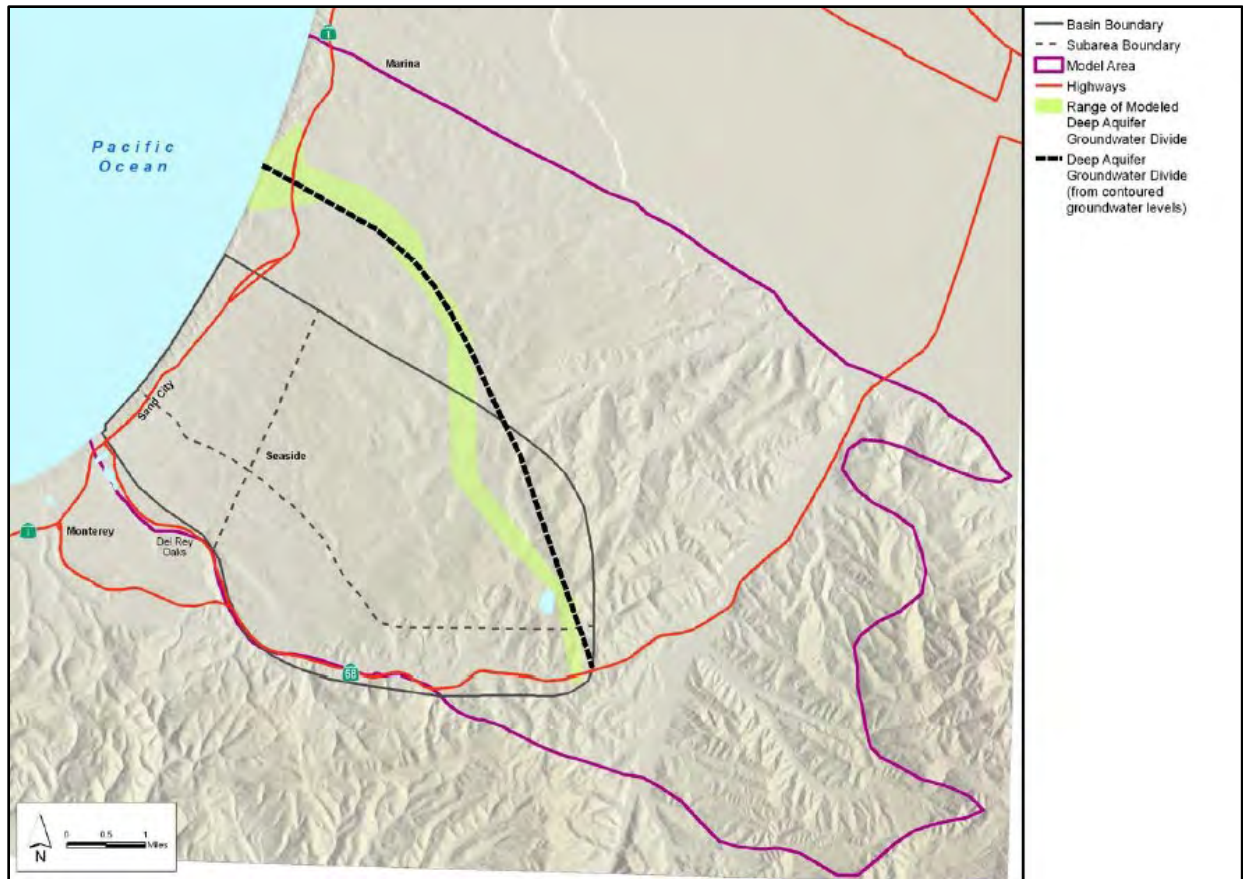
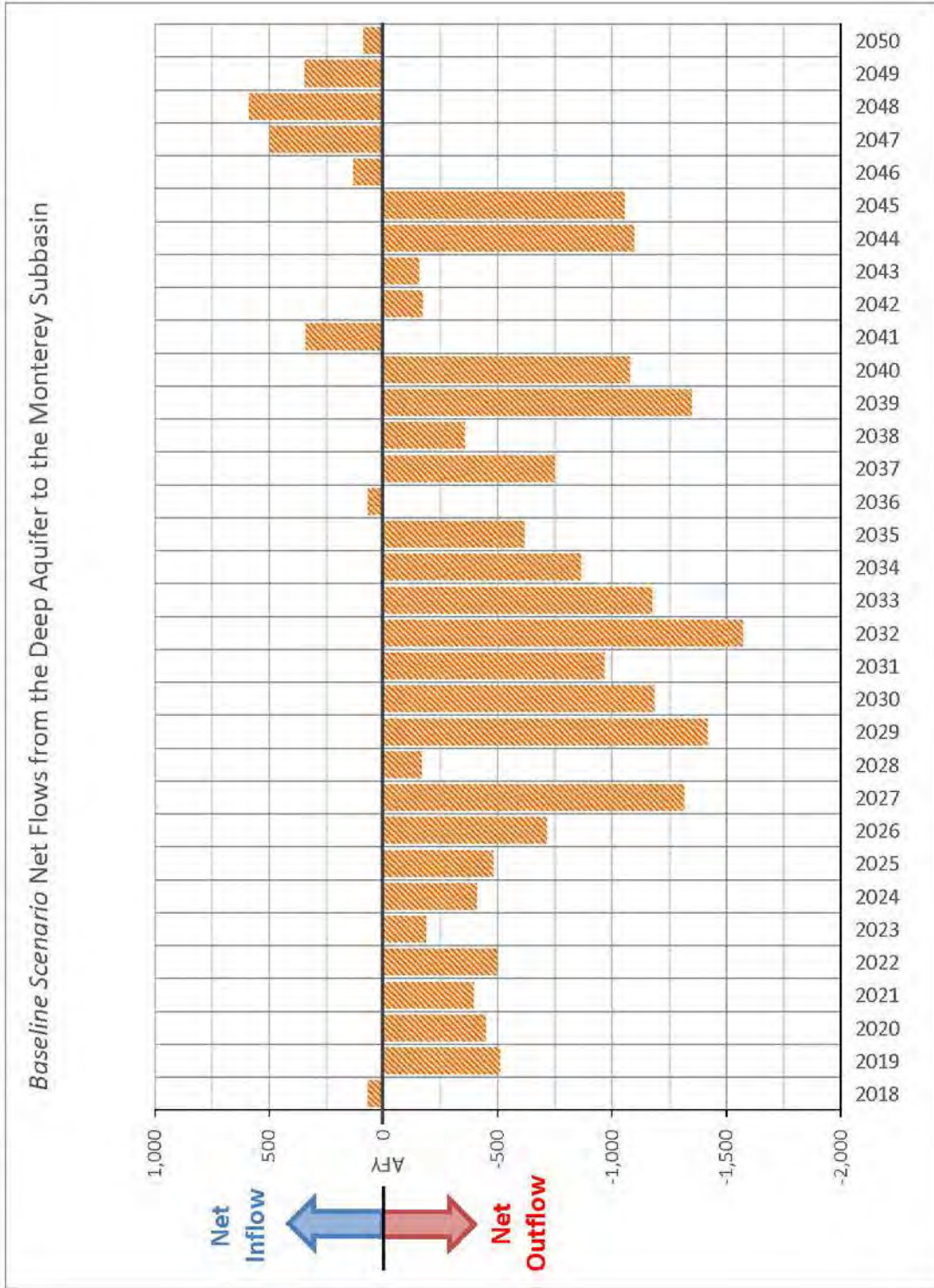


Figure 3. Plot Showing Simulated Position (yellow area) of Ground Water Divide in the Deep Aquifer

This figure was presented in the 2009 modeling report (HydroMetrics LLC, 2009b). Note that the simulated position of the Deep Aquifer groundwater divide differs significantly from the jurisdictional boundary line (thin black line) and has differences with the Deep Aquifer divide as mapped by Yates *et al.* (2005) from hand contoured 2002 groundwater level data (thick dashed line). The 2009 modeling report did not show or discuss how the simulated Shallow Aquifer groundwater divide compared with the jurisdictional boundary or the Yates *et al.*, Shallow Aquifer boundary, but a brief review of modeling results shows that while similar in a broad sense, they also differ in many places. This suggests that the hand drawn flow divides based on limited water level data sets are simplified representations of more complex and dynamic boundaries.



Figure 11 Annual Groundwater Losses from the Seaside Subbasin to the Monterey Subbasin under the Baseline Scenario







**ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM/STAFF REPORT****12. REPORT ON ACTIVITY/PROGRESS ON CONTRACTS OVER \$25,000****Meeting Date: March 17, 2025 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.**

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**SUMMARY:** Attached for review as **Exhibit 12-A** is a monthly status report on contracts over \$25,000 for the period January 2025. This status report is provided for information only, no action is required.

**EXHIBIT****12-A Status on District Open Contracts (over \$25k)**

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**EXHIBIT 12-A**

**Monterey Peninsula Water Management District  
Status on District Open Contracts (over \$25K)  
For The Period January 2025**

Contract	Description	Date Authorized	Contract Amount	Prior Period Expended To Date	Current Period Spending	Total Expended To Date	Current Period Acitivity	P.O. Number
1 Albert A. Webb Associates	Consultant for Public's Acquisition of Monterey Water System (Cal-Am)	11/18/2024	\$ 1,200,000.00	\$ -	\$ 20,003.25	\$ 20,003.25	Current period billing	PO03880
2 County of Monterey	IRWM Grant Round 2 Reimbursement	5/19/2023	\$ 898,451.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		PO03879
3 City of Monterey	IRWM Grant Round 2 Reimbursement	5/19/2023	\$ 500,000.00	\$ -	\$ 9,292.44	\$ 9,292.44	Current period billing	PO03878
4 Close and Associates	Utility consultant for Public's Acquisition of Monterey Water System	11/18/2024	\$ 965,000.00	\$ -	\$ 50,737.50	\$ 50,737.50	Current period billing	PO03876
5 Ralph Andersen and Associates	AGM recruitment	10/17/2024	\$ 36,750.00	\$ 11,025.00	\$ -	\$ 11,025.00		PO03872
6 TM Process & Controls	ASR Well Turbidity Control	8/19/2024	\$ 57,749.00	\$ 29,688.69	\$ -	\$ 29,688.69		PO03852
7 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	\$ -	\$ 1,372.75	\$ 1,372.75	Current period billing	PO03829
8 DeVeera Inc.	IT Managed Services Contract and subscriptions FY 2024-2025	5/20/2024	\$ 95,500.00	\$ 47,736.86	\$ 7,955.98	\$ 55,692.84	Current period activity for managed IT services	PO03815
9 Lynx Technologies, Inc	GIS Consultant Contract for 2024-2025	5/20/2024	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 20,025.00	\$ -	\$ 20,025.00		PO03795
10 Kyocera Document Solutions of America Inc.	Lease Agreement for three Copiers for 60 months	8/1/2024	\$ 29,424.00	\$ 1,634.04	\$ 565.47	\$ 2,199.51	Current period billing	PO03790
11 Clifton Larson Allen LLP	Audit & Related Services for FY 24-25	8/21/2023	\$ 84,525.00	\$ 81,500.00	\$ -	\$ 81,500.00		PO03771
12 Maggiora Bros. Drilling, Inc	ASR1 and ASR2 Well Rehabilitation	5/20/2024	\$ 509,534.00	\$ 490,573.00	\$ -	\$ 490,573.00		PO03762
13 JEA & Associates	Legislative and Administrative Services	7/1/2024	\$ 54,000.00	\$ 27,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 31,500.00	Current period retainer billing	PO03761
14 The Ferguson Group LLC	Contract for Legislative Services for FY 2024-2025	7/1/2024	\$ 79,100.00	\$ 44,100.00	\$ 6,300.00	\$ 50,400.00	Current period retainer billing	PO03760
15 CSC	Recording Fees	7/1/2024	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	Current period billing	PO03754
16 Monterey One Water	PWM Expansion State Water Control Board Grant	9/22/2022	\$ 4,800,000.00	\$ 1,530,851.60	\$ -	\$ 1,530,851.60		PO03753
17 Onpoint Generators, Inc	Purchase & installation of Generator	6/27/2024	\$ 58,900.00	\$ 5,890.00	\$ -	\$ 5,890.00		PO03751
18 Montgomery & Associates	Groundwater Modeling Montgomery Contract	6/27/2024	\$ 55,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		PO03750
19 Tyler Technologies	Annual Financial Software	5/20/2024	\$ 36,607.72	\$ 35,737.72	\$ -	\$ 35,737.72		PO03737
20 WellmanAD	Public Outreach Consultant	7/17/2024	\$ 94,500.00	\$ 60,644.00	\$ 7,875.00	\$ 68,519.00	Current period payment for public outreach retainer	PO03735
21 Monterey One Water	Urban Community Drought Grant	9/22/2022	\$ 11,935,206.00	\$ 3,277,142.32	\$ -	\$ 3,277,142.32		PO03726
22 DUDEK	IRWM IR2 Grant Administration	10/1/2022	\$ 90,510.00	\$ 5,197.50	\$ -	\$ 5,197.50		PO03718
23 Colantuono, Highsmith, & Whatley, PC	MTA Legal services for appeal to Water Supply Charge	9/15/2021	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 72,394.22	\$ -	\$ 72,394.22		PO03715
24 John K. Cohan dba Telemetrix	Consultant Services for Sleepy Hollow Facility	6/30/2023	\$ 29,600.00	\$ 26,700.49	\$ -	\$ 26,700.49		PO03693
25 Rutan & Tucker, LLP	Measure J/Rule 19.8 Eminent Domain Phase IV	2/24/2023	\$ 450,000.00	\$ 245,183.96	\$ -	\$ 245,183.96		PO03639
26 Telemetrix	Flood Repair Services for Sleepy Hollow Facility	1/23/2023	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 43,062.84	\$ -	\$ 43,062.84		PO03556
27 Schaaf & Wheeler	Drawing Support Services	4/23/2023	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 29,425.00	\$ -	\$ 29,425.00		PO03474

**Monterey Peninsula Water Management District**  
**Status on District Open Contracts (over \$25K)**  
**For The Period January 2025**

	<b>Contract</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Date Authorized</b>	<b>Contract Amount</b>	<b>Prior Period Expended To Date</b>	<b>Current Period Spending</b>	<b>Total Expended To Date</b>	<b>Current Period Acitivity</b>	<b>P.O. Number</b>
28	Maggiore Bros. Drilling, Inc	ASR Support from Maggiore Bros for Well Work	6/20/2023	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		PO03407
29	Pueblo Water Resources, Inc.	ASR Operations Support	6/20/2023	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 1,527.50	\$ -	\$ 1,527.50		PO03406
30	Montgomery & Associates	Tularcitos ASR Feasibility Study	3/20/2023	\$ 119,200.00	\$ 14,642.00	\$ -	\$ 14,642.00		PO03368
31	Kevin Robert Knapp/ Tierra Plan LLC	Surface Water Data Portal	11/14/2022	\$ 27,730.00	\$ 27,400.81	\$ -	\$ 27,400.81		PO03302
32	Montgomery & Associates	Annual Groundwater Modeling Support	6/20/2022	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 33,053.00	\$ 1,386.00	\$ 34,439.00	Current period billing	PO03193
33	Telemetrix	Consultant Services for Sleepy Hollow Facility	6/20/2022	\$ 27,060.00	\$ 24,554.64	\$ -	\$ 24,554.64		PO03121
34	City of Sand City	IRWM Grant Reimbursement	3/28/2022	\$ 1,084,322.50	\$ 79,720.00	\$ -	\$ 79,720.00		PO03093
35	DUDEK	Grant administration services for the Proposition 1 IRWM Implementation	12/14/2020	\$ 114,960.00	\$ 64,485.00	\$ -	\$ 64,485.00		PO02847
36	Shute, Mihaly & Weinberger LLP	Measure J LAFCO Litigation Legal Services	1/1/2022	\$ 484,000.00	\$ 483,801.73	\$ -	\$ 483,801.73		PO02843
37	Reiff Manufacturing	Quarantine tanks for the Sleepy Hollow steelhead facility	10/18/2022	\$ 48,000.00	\$ 40,350.00	\$ -	\$ 40,350.00		PO02824
38	Tetra Tech, Inc.	Engineering services Sleepy Hollow Facility Upgrade	6/21/2021	\$ 67,500.00	\$ 46,098.64	\$ -	\$ 46,098.64		PO02693
39	Weston Solutions, Inc.	UXO Support Services	6/15/2020	\$ 26,378.70	\$ 7,473.34	\$ -	\$ 7,473.34		PO02371
40	Pueblo Water Resources, Inc.	Seaside Groundwater Basin Geochemical Study	1/24/2018	\$ 68,679.00	\$ 57,168.85	\$ -	\$ 57,168.85		PO01628
41	Pueblo Water Resources, Inc.	SSAP Water Quality Study	8/21/2017	\$ 94,437.70	\$ 47,282.61	\$ -	\$ 47,282.61		PO01510

**ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM****13. STATUS REPORT ON EXPENDITURES – PUBLIC’S OWNERSHIP OF MONTEREY WATER SYSTEM**

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	<b>March 17, 2025</b>	<b>Budgeted:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
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<b>From:</b>	<b>David J. Stoldt, General Manager</b>	<b>Program/ Line Item No.:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
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<b>Prepared By:</b>	<b>Nishil Bali</b>	<b>Cost Estimate:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
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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.**

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**SUMMARY:** Attached for review as **Exhibit 13-A** is a monthly status report on spending – Public’s Ownership of Monterey Water System for the period January 2025. This status report is provided for information only, no action is required.

**EXHIBIT****13-A** Status Report on Spending – Public’s Ownership of Monterey Water System



**Monterey Peninsula Water Management District  
 Status on Public's Ownership of Monterey Water System - Phase IV  
 Eminent Domain Proceedings through Bench Trial  
 Through January 2025**

	<b>Contract</b>	<b>Date Authorized</b>	<b>Authorized Amount</b>	<b>Prior Period Spending</b>	<b>Current Period Spending</b>	<b>Total Expended To Date</b>	<b>Spending Remaining</b>	<b>Project No.</b>
1	Phase IV - Authorization (unallocated)	11/13/2023	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2	Eminent Domain Legal Counsel (Rutan)	12/16/2024	\$ 450,000.00	\$ 246,127.96		\$ 246,127.96	\$ 203,872.04	PA00009-01
3	Eminent Domain Legal Counsel (SMW)*	12/16/2019	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 124,648.42	\$ 7,680.79	\$ 132,329.21	\$ (7,329.21)	PA00009-02
4	Financial Services (Raftelis)	8/21/2023	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 23,257.50		\$ 23,257.50	\$ 176,742.50	PA00009-03
5	District Legal Counsel*		\$ 95,000.00	\$ 115,332.04	\$ 15,714.45	\$ 131,046.49	\$ (36,046.49)	PA00009-05
6	Utility Consultant (Close & Associates)	12/16/2024	\$ 965,000.00	\$ -	\$ 50,737.50	\$ 50,737.50	\$ 914,262.50	PA00009-07
7	Consulting Civil Engineer (Webb Associates)	11/18/2024	\$ 1,200,000.00	\$ -	\$ 20,003.00	\$ 20,003.00	\$ 1,179,997.00	PA00009-07
	<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 3,035,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 509,365.92</b>	<b>\$ 94,135.74</b>	<b>\$ 603,501.66</b>	<b>\$ 2,431,498.34</b>	

**Status on Public's Ownership of Monterey Water System - Phase III  
 Appraisal through Resolution of Necessity  
 Through October 2023**

	<b>Contract</b>	<b>Date Authorized</b>	<b>Authorized Amount</b>	<b>Prior Period Spending</b>	<b>Current Period Spending</b>	<b>Total Expended To Date</b>	<b>Spending Remaining</b>	<b>Project No.</b>
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	\$ 46,361.50		\$ 46,361.50	\$ 53,638.50	PA00007-05
4	Real Estate Appraiser	8/15/2022	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 53,309.64		\$ 53,309.64	\$ 26,690.36	PA00007-06
5	Water Rights Appraisal	8/15/2022	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 45,490.46		\$ 45,490.46	\$ 29,509.54	PA00007-10
6	Contingency/Miscellaneous	12/16/2019	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	PA00007-20
	<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 675,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 463,445.63</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 463,445.63</b>	<b>\$ 211,554.37</b>	

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

	<b>Contract</b>	<b>Date Authorized</b>	<b>Authorized Amount</b>	<b>Prior Period Spending</b>	<b>Current Period Spending</b>	<b>Total Expended To Date</b>	<b>Spending Remaining</b>	<b>Project No.</b>
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
	<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 1,909,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,194,244.45</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,194,244.45</b>	<b>\$ 714,755.55</b>	
1	Measure J CEQA Litigation Legal Services*	12/23/2020	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 140,303.06		\$ 140,303.06	\$ 59,696.94	PA00005-15
1	Measure J LAFCO Litigation Legal Services*	1/1/2022	\$ 400,000.00	\$ 398,750.20		\$ 398,750.20	\$ 1,249.80	PA00005-16



**Status on Public's Ownership of Monterey Water System - Phase I**  
**Financial Feasibility**  
**Through November 2019**

	<b>Contract</b>	<b>Date Authorized</b>	<b>Authorized Amount</b>	<b>Prior Period Spending</b>	<b>Current Period Spending</b>	<b>Total Expended To Date</b>	<b>Spending Remaining</b>	<b>Project No.</b>
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
	<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 650,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 646,578.56</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 646,578.56</b>	<b>\$ 3,421.44</b>	

\* Amount spent updated based on cumulative spending



**ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM/STAFF REPORT****14. LETTERS RECEIVED AND SENT****Meeting Date:** March 17, 2025 **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.

Listed below is a letter received by the District on January 27, 2025.

These letters are included in the meeting packet to inform the Board and the public. Copies can be reviewed at the District office. Reproduction fees will apply. The letters are also downloadable from the District's website at [www.mpwmd.net](http://www.mpwmd.net).

Author	Addressee	Date	Topic
Hans Uslar	David Stoldt	1/27/2025	Resolution No. 2024-13 (Water District Support to Close Open Water Permits by Implementing a One-Time Amnesty Period)



**ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM/STAFF REPORT****15. COMMITTEE REPORTS****Meeting Date: March 17, 2025 Budgeted: N/A****From: David J. Stoldt, General Manager Program/ Line Item No.: N/A****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.**

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

**EXHIBIT****15-A MPWMD Public Outreach Committee Meeting of August 26, 2024****15-B MPWMD Water Supply Planning Committee Meeting of November 4, 2024**





## **EXHIBIT 15-A**

### **Final Minutes Monterey Peninsula Water Management District Public Outreach Committee Monday, August 26, 2024**

#### **Call to Order | Roll Call**

Chair Eisenhart called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Committee members present: Marc Eisenhart (Chair)  
George Riley  
Alvin Edwards (Alternate), arrived at 3:10 pm

Committee members absent: None

District staff members present: David J. Stoldt, General Manager  
Stephanie Locke, Water Demand Manager  
Phil Wellman, Public Outreach Consultant with WellmanAd  
Sara Reyes, Executive Assistant/Board Clerk

District Counsel Present: Michael Laredo with De Lay and Laredo

Comments from the Public: Chair Eisenhart opened public comment; *no comments were directed to the committee.*

#### **Action Item**

##### **1. Consider Adoption of June 24, 2024 Committee Meeting Minutes**

Chair Eisenhart introduced the matter and opened public comment; no comments were directed to the committee.

A motion was made by Director Riley with a second by Director Eisenhart to approve the June 24, 2024, Committee meeting minutes. The motion passed on a roll-call vote of -2Ayes (Riley and Eisenhart), 0-Noes and 1-Absent (Edwards)

#### **Discussion Items**

##### **2. Status of Public Outreach Projects / WellmanAd**

Phil Wellman, Public Outreach Consultant with WellmanAd presented via slide-deck entitled, MPWMD Public Outreach Report / July 1 to August 26 / Completed projects and

projects in development. A copy of the presentation is available on the District website and available upon request at the District office. Mr. Wellman covered projects completed to include:

July 18 Advertising of a Flume Rebate by the following means:

- Brand Ad in the Monterey County Weekly and Carmel Pine Cone
- Newsletter
- Social Media posts on Facebook and Instagram

August 8 Advertising for Water Savings via:

- Brand Ad in the Monterey County Weekly and Carmel Pine Cone
- Newsletter
- Social Media posts on Facebook and Instagram

Summer Splash Campaign

- Held July 1 thru August 17
- Advertised in the Monterey County Weekly, Carmel Pinecone and Monterey Bay Parent
- Newsletter distribution on July 10 and August 8
- Social Media posts on July 10
- Summer Splash Results – 2024 had about the same number of participants as 2023

Website Launch

Staff are currently finalizing their review and collaborating with DeVeera, the IT consulting firm. Staff anticipates the website will be ready to launch within the next few weeks.

The Committee engaged in discussion.

**3. Discuss WateReuse “Recycled Water Customer of the Year” Award**

General Manager Stoldt reported that the California WateReuse Association has jointly designated the District and Cal-Am for their 2024 Award for Excellence in the “Recycled Water Customer of the Year” category. The award presentation will take place at the Awards for Excellence Luncheon on Monday, September 16, 2024, in Garden Grove, CA.

**4. Suggest Items to be Placed on a Future Agenda**

The committee discussed this future topic of interest:

- Discuss the District Response Plan to Adverse Events or News

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Chair Eisenhart adjourned the meeting at 3:42 p.m.

/s/ Sara Reyes

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Sara Reyes, Committee Clerk  
to the Public Outreach Committee



Approved by the MPWMD Public Outreach Committee on February 25, 2025  
Received by the MPWMD Board of Directors on March 17, 2025

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## EXHIBIT 15-B

### Final Minutes Water Supply Planning Committee of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District *Monday, November 4, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.*

#### Call to Order

Chair Paull called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

Committee Members Present:       Karen Paull, Chair  
  Marc Eisenhart  
  Ian Oglesby

Staff Members Present:             David J. Stoldt, General Manager  
  Sara Reyes, Executive Assistant/Board Clerk  
  Jonathan Lear, Water Resources Manager  
  Maureen Hamilton, District Engineer

District Counsel Present:         Michael Laredo, De Lay & Laredo  
  Fran Farina, De Lay & Laredo

Comments from the Public:        Chair Paull opened the public comment period; however, no  
  public was in attendance.

#### Corrections / Additions to the Agenda

None

#### Action Items

##### 1.       **Consider Adoption of the September 4, 2024 Committee Meeting Minutes**

Chair Paull introduced the item.

A motion was made by Director Paull, seconded by Director Oglesby to adopt the September 4, 2024, Committee Meeting minutes. The motion passed on a roll-call vote with 2 Ayes (Paull and Oglesby), 0 Noes, and 1 Abstention (Eisenhart).

#### Discussion Items

##### 2.       **Marina Coast Water District Injection Concept**

Chair Paull introduced the item, and General Manager David Stoldt presented his update. Mr. Stoldt referred to his staff report, which covered:

1. Injection and storage concepts

2. Injection options
3. Problematic concepts.

The committee engaged in a discussion, and Chair Paull thanked General Manager Stoldt for the updates.

### **3. Update on Water Supply V Demand - CPUC and 2023-24 Water Allocation Process**

Chair Paull introduced the item, and General Manager David Stoldt presented his update and responded to questions from the committee. Jonathan Lear, Water Resources Manager, and Fran Farina with De Lay & Laredo also provided information and answered questions from the committee. The committee then engaged in a vigorous discussion, and Chair Paull thanked staff and counsel for the updates.

### **Suggest Items to be Placed on Future Agendas**

Chair Paull introduced the item; however, no formal suggestions were made.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Chair Paull adjourned the meeting at 3:57 p.m.

/s/ Sara Reyes

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Sara Reyes, Committee Clerk to the  
*MPWMD Water Supply Planning Committee*

Reviewed and Approved by the MPWMD Water Supply Planning Committee on March 3, 2025.  
Received by the MPWMD Board of Directors on March 17, 2025.

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**ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM/STAFF REPORT****16. MONTHLY ALLOCATION REPORT**

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	<b>March 17, 2025</b>	<b>Budgeted:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>From:</b>	<b>David J. Stoldt, General Manager</b>	<b>Program:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
		<b>Line Item No.:</b>	
<b>Prepared By:</b>	<b>Gabriela Bravo</b>	<b>Cost Estimate:</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**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.**

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**SUMMARY:** As of February 28, 2025, a total of **18.234** acre-feet (**5.4%**) of the Paralta Well Allocation remained available for use by the Jurisdictions. Pre-Paralta water in the amount of **30.096** acre-feet is available to the Jurisdictions, and **29.299** acre-feet is available as public water credits.

**Exhibit 16-A** shows the amount of water allocated to each Jurisdiction from the Paralta Well Allocation, the quantities permitted in February 2025 (“changes”), and the quantities remaining. The Paralta Allocation had no debits in February 2025.

**Exhibit 16-A** also shows additional water available to each of the Jurisdictions. Additional water from expired or canceled permits that were issued before January 1991 are shown under “PRE-Paralta.” Water credits used from a Jurisdiction’s “public credit” account are also listed. Transfers of Non-Residential Water Use Credits into a Jurisdiction’s Allocation are included as “public credits.” **Exhibit 16-B** shows water available to Pebble Beach Company and Del Monte Forest Benefited Properties, including Macomber Estates, Griffin Trust. Another table in this exhibit shows the status of Sand City Water Entitlement and the Malpaso Water Entitlement.

**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 16-C**.

**EXHIBITS****16-A** Monthly Allocation Report**16-B** Monthly Entitlement Report**16-C** District’s Water Allocation Program Ordinances



**EXHIBIT 16-A**  
**MONTHLY ALLOCATION REPORT**  
 Reported in Acre-Feet  
 For the month of February 2025

Jurisdiction	Paralta Allocation*	Changes	Remaining	PRE-Paralta Water	Changes	Remaining	Public Credits	Changes	Remaining	Total Available
<b>Airport District</b>	8.100	0.000	5.197	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	5.197
<b>Carmel-by-the-Sea</b>	19.410	0.000	1.398	1.081	0.000	1.081	0.910	0.000	0.182	2.661
<b>Del Rey Oaks</b>	8.100	0.000	0.000	0.440	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
<b>Monterey</b>	76.320	0.010 Cr	0.308	50.659	0.000	0.235	38.121	0.000	3.627	4.170
<b>Monterey County</b>	87.710	0.000	10.578	13.080	0.000	0.352	7.827	0.000	1.181	12.121
<b>Pacific Grove</b>	25.770	0.000	0.010	1.410	0.000	0.014	15.874	0.000	0.002	0.026
<b>Sand City</b>	51.860	0.000	0.000	0.838	0.000	0.000	24.717	0.000	23.163	23.163
<b>Seaside</b>	65.450	0.000	0.743	34.438	0.056	28.414	2.693	0.000	1.144	30.301
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>342.720</b>	<b>0.010 Cr</b>	<b>18.234</b>	<b>101.946</b>	<b>0.056</b>	<b>30.096</b>	<b>90.142</b>	<b>0.000</b>	<b>29.299</b>	<b>77.639</b>

Allocation Holder	Water Available	Changes this Month	Total Demand from Water Permits Issued	Remaining Water Available
<b>Quail Meadows</b>	33.000	0.000	32.320	0.680
<b>Water West</b>	12.760	0.000	10.352	2.408
<b>District Reserve</b>	9.000	0.188	0.956	8.044

\* Does not include 15.280 Acre-Feet from the District Reserve prior to adoption of Ordinance No. 73.





**EXHIBIT 16-B**  
**MONTHLY ALLOCATION REPORT**  
**ENTITLEMENTS**  
**Reported in Acre-Feet**  
**For the month of February 2025**  
**Recycled Water Project Entitlements**

Entitlement Holder	Entitlement	Changes this Month	Total Demand from Water Permits Issued	Remaining Entitlement/and Water Use Permits Available
<b>Pebble Beach Co. *</b>	190.380	0.500	32.782	157.598
<b>Del Monte Forest Benefited Properties (Pursuant to Ord No. 109)</b>	174.620	0.043	82.030	92.590
<b>Macomber Estates</b>	10.000	0.000	10.000	0.000
<b>Griffin Trust</b>	5.000	0.000	4.829	0.171
<b>CAWD/PBCSD Project Totals</b>	<b>380.000</b>	<b>0.543</b>	<b>129.641</b>	<b>250.359</b>

Entitlement Holder	Entitlement	Changes this Month	Total Demand from Water Permits Issued	Remaining Entitlement/and Water Use Permits Available
<b>City of Sand City</b>	206.000	0.000	23.234	182.766
<b>Malpaso Water Company</b>	80.000	0.436	25.069	54.931
<b>D.B.O. Development No. 30</b>	13.950	0.000	3.913	10.037
<b>City of Pacific Grove</b>	38.390	0.177	18.764	19.626
<b>Cypress Pacific</b>	3.170	0.000	3.170	0.000
<b>City of Seaside</b>	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 16-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 set Cal-Am's annual production limit at **17,621** acre-feet and the non-Cal-Am annual production limit at **3,046** acre-feet. The modifications to the production limit were made based on the agreement by non-Cal-Am water users to permanently reduce annual water production from the Carmel Valley Alluvial Aquifer in exchange for water service from Cal-Am. As part of the agreement, fifteen percent of the historical non-Cal-Am production was set aside to meet the District's long-term water conservation goal.

**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.

**Resolution 2024-13** was adopted October 21, 2024, to authorize the use of the District Reserve Allocation to permit unpermitted water fixtures found on final inspection, to suspend specific rules through September 2025, and to not collect the Capacity Fee or administrative fees for staff and legal time needed to close certain open Water Permits.

**ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM/STAFF REPORT****17. WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2025**

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	<b>March 17, 2025</b>	<b>Budgeted:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>From:</b>	<b>David J. Stoldt, General Manager</b>	<b>Program/ Line Item No.</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Prepared By:</b>	<b>Kyle Smith</b>	<b>Cost Estimate:</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**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.**

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*The following information reflects activities undertaken by the Water Demand Division during the month of **February 2025**.*

**I. MANDATORY WATER CONSERVATION RETROFIT PROGRAM**

District Regulation XIV requires the retrofit of water fixtures upon Change of Ownership 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, Utility, 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 Site inspection is occasionally conducted to verify compliance. Properties that do not require an inspection are issued a Conservation Certification document.

**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 **50** property transfers that occurred were added to the database.

**B. Certification**

The District received **52** Water Conservation Certification Forms. Data on ownership, transfer date, and status of water efficiency standard compliance were entered into the database.

**C. Verification**

**22** properties were verified compliant with Rule 144 (Retrofit Upon Change of Ownership or Use). Of the **22** verifications, **8** properties verified compliance by submitting certification forms and/or receipts. District staff completed **28** Site inspections. Of the **28** properties visited, **14 (50%)** passed.

**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 **no** 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 schedules 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).

MPWMD referred **no** property 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](http://www.mpwmd.net) or [www.montereywaterinfo.org](http://www.montereywaterinfo.org). There was **one** Water Waste responses during the past month. There were **no** repeated incidents that resulted in a fine.

## 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 **73** Water Permits. **Four** permits were issued using Water Entitlements (Pebble Beach Company, Malpas Water, Sand City, etc.). **No** permits involved a debit to a Public Water Credit account. **Thirteen** Meter Split Permits and **five** Hydrant Meter Permits were issued.

District Rule 24-3-A allows the addition of a second Bathroom in an existing Dwelling Unit that has only one Bathroom. Of the **73** Water Permits issued, **three** were issued under this provision.

B. Permit Compliance

Staff completed **29** site inspections during February. **Nineteen** properties passed the interior inspection, and **four** properties failed due to unpermitted fixtures. **Seven** properties were inspected to complete a Landscape Water Permit: **one** failed.

C. Close the Open Permits Project

Staff sent out **68** open permit letters during February. **One hundred eighteen** properties were inspected to close open permits. **eighty nine** of the **118** inspected passed and **29** failed. In February **eight** permits were amended using the District Reserve.

D. Notary Services

District staff provided Notary services for **26** customers.

E. Rebates

The District processes rebate applications to ensure that only voluntary replacement of higher efficiency devices receive rebates. The comprehensive list of available rebates can be found in [Rule 141](#). Monthly statistics are shown on the following page.

**EXHIBIT**

**17-A** Rebate report for January 2025

**17-B** Rabate report for February 2025

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January 2025 Rebate Report

<b>REBATE PROGRAM SUMMARY</b>		<b>January-2025</b>			<b>2025 YTD</b>		<b>1997 - Present</b>		
<b>I. <u>Application Summary</u></b>									
A.	Applications Received	91			91		32,316		
B.	Applications Approved	75			75		25,417		
C.	Single Family Applications	74			74		28,300		
D.	Multi-Family Applications	1			1		1,630		
E.	Non-Residential Applications	0			0		363		
		<b>Number of Devices</b>	<b>Rebate Paid</b>	<b>Estimated AF</b>	<b>Gallons Saved</b>	<b>Year to Date Number</b>	<b>Year to Date Paid</b>	<b>Year to Date Estimated AF</b>	
<b>II. <u>Type of Devices Rebated</u></b>									
A.	High Efficiency Toilet (HET)	15	\$1,125.00	0.0750	24,439	15	\$1,125.00	0.07500	
B.	Ultra HET			0.0000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
C.	Toilet Flapper	1	\$15.00	0.0000	0	1	\$15.00	0.00000	
D.	High Efficiency Dishwasher	14	\$1,750.00	0.0420	13,686	14	\$1,750.00	0.04200	
E.	High Efficiency Clothes Washer - Res	34	\$16,998.56	0.5474	178,371	34	\$16,998.56	0.54740	
F.	High Efficiency Clothes Washer - Com			0.0000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
G.	Instant-Access Hot Water System			0.0000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
H.	Zero Use Urinals			0.0000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
I.	Pint Urinals			0.0000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
J.	Cisterns			0.0000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
K.	Smart Controllers			0.0000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
L.	Rotating Sprinkler Nozzles			0.0000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
M.	Moisture Sensors			0.0000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
N.	Lawn Removal & Replacement			0.0000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
O.	Graywater			0.0000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
P.	Smart Flowmeter	18	\$3,558.00	0.0000	0	18	\$3,558.00	0.00000	
Q.	Smart Toilet Leak Detectors			0.0000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
R.	Other			0.0000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000	
<b>III. <u>2025 TOTALS</u></b>		82	\$23,446.56	0.6644	216,495	82	\$23,446.56	0.66440	
<b>IV. <u>TOTALS Since 1997</u></b>						Paid Since 1997: \$ 7,780,340		641.1 Acre-Feet Per Year Saved Since 1997 (from quantifiable retrofits)	



February 2025 Rebate Report

REBATE PROGRAM SUMMARY		February-2025			2025 YTD		1997 - Present	
		Number of Devices	Rebate Paid	Estimated AF	Gallons Saved	Year to Date Number	Year to Date Paid	Year to Date Estimated AF
<b>I. Application Summary</b>								
A.	Applications Received	53				144		32,369
B.	Applications Approved	47				122		25,464
C.	Single Family Applications	46				120		28,346
D.	Multi-Family Applications	1				2		1,631
E.	Non-Residential Applications					0		363
<b>II. Type of Devices Rebated</b>								
A.	High Efficiency Toilet (HET)	7	\$525.00	0.035000	11,405	22	\$1,650.00	0.11000
B.	Ultra HET	3	\$375.00	0.030000	9,776	3	\$375.00	0.03000
C.	Toilet Flapper			0.000000	0	1	\$15.00	0.00000
D.	High Efficiency Dishwasher	7	\$875.00	0.021000	6,843	21	\$2,625.00	0.06300
E.	High Efficiency Clothes Washer - Re	24	\$12,000.00	0.386400	125,909	58	\$28,998.56	0.93380
F.	High Efficiency Clothes Washer - Com			0.000000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000
G.	Instant-Access Hot Water System	1	\$200.00	0.005000	1,629	1	\$200.00	0.00500
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			0.000000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000
K.	Smart Controllers	1	\$100.00	0.000000	0	1	\$100.00	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	0	\$0.00	0.00000
O.	Graywater			0.000000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000
P.	Other - Smart Flowmeter	9	\$1,800.00	0.000000	0	27	\$5,358.00	0.00000
Q.	Smart Toilet Leak Detectors			0.0000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000
R.	Other			0.0000	0	0	\$0.00	0.00000
<b>III. 2025 TOTALS</b>		52	\$15,875.00	0.4774	155,561	134	\$39,321.56	1.14180

**IV. TOTALS Since 1997**

Paid Since 1997: \$ 7,796,215

641.5 Acre-Feet Per  
Year Saved Since  
1997 (from  
quantifiable  
retrofits)



**ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM/STAFF REPORT****18. CARMEL RIVER FISHERY REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2025****Meeting Date: March 17, 2025 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.**

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**AQUATIC HABITAT AND FLOW CONDITIONS:** Significant flows returned to the Carmel River Basin during the month of February. A series of storms hit the watershed in the beginning of February and continued through the middle of the month. This represents the first flush of the river, which reached a peak of 2,636 cubic-feet-per-second (cfs) at the Highway One gaging station on February 13<sup>th</sup>. During this time migration for fish was optimum in the river as well as the Lagoon, as the mouth stayed open most of the time and only closed briefly from tidal closure, then opened back up during low tide (see graphic below). Los Padres Reservoir ended the month at a water surface elevation of 1040.21 feet and peaked at 1042.95 ft. Flow out of the reservoir at the end of the month was 47 cfs, while the incoming flow into the reservoir was 48 cfs.

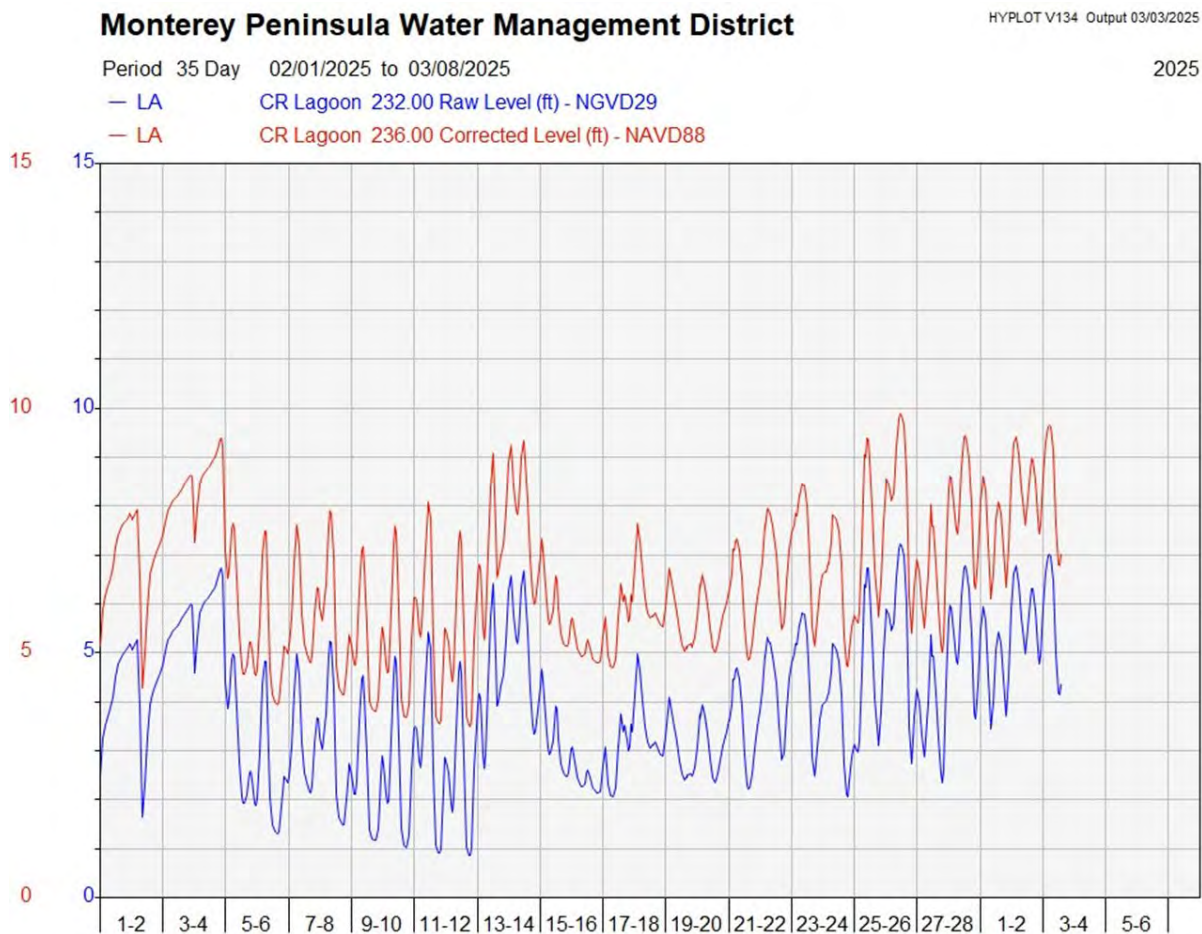
February's streamflow at the Sleepy Hollow Weir gaging station ranged from 14 to 1490 cfs (mean 250 cfs), while flows at the Highway 1 gage ranged from 17 to 1770 cfs (mean 272 cfs).

There was 6.61 inches of rainfall in February as recorded at the San Clemente gauge. The total rainfall for Water Year (WY) 2025 (which started October 1, 2024) is 12.03 inches., which is 78% of normal.

**ADULT MONITORING:** District staff installed the resistance board weir on February 20<sup>th</sup>, which is used to enumerate adult steelhead entering the Carmel River. At the end of February, 14 fish were counted at the weir. The Los Padres fish trap first picked up fish on February 5<sup>th</sup>, and through February has trapped 19 fish. Staff also initiated its critical riffle monitoring surveys this month for the ASR diversion season. Five riffles have been selected and are being monitored while conditions are met for diversion.

**CARMEL RIVER LAGOON:** In February, the lagoon's Water Surface Elevation (WSE) ranged from approximately 3.5 to 9.9 feet (NGVD 1988) (see graph below). Water quality depth-profiles were conducted at five sites on February 10, 2025, while the lagoon mouth was opened, water surface elevation was 4.0 feet at the time of sampling, and river inflow was approximately 126 cfs. There is a salinity stratification layer at between 0.5 and 1.75 meter depth, below this depth salinity increases sharply. Salinity levels ranged from 0.3-16.4 parts per thousand (ppt), water temperatures

ranged from 48-52 degrees Fahrenheit, and dissolved oxygen (DO) levels ranged from 2.8 -12.1 mg/l.



**ITEM: INFORMATIONAL ITEM/STAFF REPORT****19. MONTHLY WATER SUPPLY AND CALIFORNIA AMERICAN WATER PRODUCTION REPORT****Meeting Date:** March 17, 2025 **Budgeted:** N/A**From:** David J. Stoldt,  
General Manager **Program/** N/A  
**Line Item No.:****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.

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**Exhibit 19-A** shows the water supply status for the Monterey Peninsula Water Resources System (MPWRS) as of **March 1, 2025**. 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 19-A** is for Water Year (WY) 2025 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 **February** 2025 totaled **6.61 inches** and brings the cumulative rainfall total for WY 2025 to **12.03 inches**, which is **78%** of the long-term average through **February**. Estimated unimpaired runoff through **February** totaled **13,850 acre-feet (AF)** and brings the cumulative runoff total for WY 2025 to **18,135 AF**, which is **49%** of the long-term average through **February**. Usable storage for the MRWPRS was **30,470 acre-feet**, which is **101%** of average through **February**, and equates to **92%** percent 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 2025. Through **February**, using the CDO accounting method, Cal-Am has produced **1,222 AF** from the Carmel River (excluding **75 AF** of Table 13 and **38 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 2025. Through **February**, Cal-Am has produced **649 AF** from the Seaside Groundwater Basin. Through **February**, **302 AF** of Carmel River Basin groundwater have been diverted for Seaside Basin injection; **0 AF** have been recovered for customer use, **75 AF** have been diverted under Table 13 water rights, and **1,424 AF** of Pure Water Monterey recovered. Cal-Am has produced **3,3481 AF** for customer use from all sources through **February**. **Exhibit 19-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 and monitoring data.

**EXHIBITS****19-A** Water Supply Status: **March 1, 2025****19-B** Monthly Cal-Am production by source: WY 2025





**EXHIBIT 19-A**

**Monterey Peninsula Water Management District  
Water Supply Status  
March 1, 2025**

<b>Factor</b>	<b>Oct – Feb 2025</b>	<b>Average To Date</b>	<b>Percent of Average</b>	<b>Oct – Feb 2024</b>
<b>Rainfall (Inches)</b>	12.03	15.50	78%	16.67
<b>Runoff (Acre-Feet)</b>	18,135	37,081	49%	37,644
<b>Storage<sup>5</sup> (Acre-Feet)</b>	30,470	30,105	101%	31,050

**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 1989-2024 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 2025**

(All values in Acre-Feet)

Year-to-Date Values	MPWRS					Water Projects and Rights				Water Projects and Rights Total
	Carmel River Basin <sup>2, 6</sup>	Seaside Groundwater Basin		Ajudication Compliance	MPWRS Total	ASR Recovery	PWM Recovery	Table 13 <sup>7</sup>	Sand City <sup>3</sup>	
		Coastal	Laguna Seca							
Target	1,160	560	0	560	<b>1,720</b>	0	1,690	90	125	<b>1,905</b>
Actual <sup>4</sup>	1,222	600	48	649	<b>1,870</b>	0	1,424	75	74	<b>1,573</b>
Difference	-62	-40	-48	-89	<b>-150</b>	0	266	15	51	<b>332</b>
WY 2024 Actual	954	582	50	632	<b>1,586</b>	0	1,602	117	36	<b>1,756</b>

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 projects.
4. To date, 302 AF and 75 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 2025**

(All values in Acre-Feet)

	Carmel River Basin	Table 13	Mal Paso	Seaside Basin	ASR Recovery	PWM Recovery	Sand City	Total
Oct-24	296	0	9	250	0	270	28	852
Nov-24	382	0	9	43	0	285	14	733
Dec-24	318	0	9	40	0	278	17	662
Jan-25	194	0	5	209	0	242	15	666
Feb-25	31	75	7	107	0	349	0	568
Mar-25								
Apr-25								
May-25								
Jun-25								
Jul-25								
Aug-25								
Sep-25								
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,222</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>649</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,424</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>3,481</b>
<b>WY 2024</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>632</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,602</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>3,370</b>

1. This table is produced as a proxy for customer demand.
2. Numbers are provisional and are subject to update.



## Supplement to March 17, 2025 MPWMD Board Packet

Attached is a letter received on January 27, 2025. This letter is listed in the meeting packet for Monday, March 17, 2025, under Letters Received and Sent.

Author	Addressee	Date	Topic
<b>Hans Uslar</b>	David Stoldt	1/27/2025	Resolution No. 2024-13 (Water District Support to Close Open Water Permits by Implementing a One-Time Amnesty Period)



January 27, 2025

David Stoldt  
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District  
P.O. Box 85  
Monterey, CA 93942-0085  
[comments@mpwmd.net](mailto:comments@mpwmd.net)

RE: Resolution No. 2024-13 (Water District Support to Close Open Water Permits by Implementing a One-Time Amnesty Period)

Dear David,

The City of Monterey requests a meeting to discuss amending Resolution 2024-13. It is our understanding that the Water District intends to debit the City's future water account for any unresolved water permits. We have to disagree with this approach. Using the District's rationale that the current production water has been supplying those properties for decades with water, we do not see the need to burden future housing opportunities with potential reductions of water already in use.

According to the Water District, there were 1,500 permits in the district open with no final inspection. In the City of Monterey, there were approximately 230 open permits. The Water District sent city staff a progress spreadsheet and there appears to be one hundred open permits remaining, representing a 43% compliance rate. This number is constantly changing so it most likely has improved. There may need to be additional effort from the Water District to inform the property owners that have not responded.

The City of Monterey requests that Resolution No. 2024-13 be amended to bring all the water permits into full compliance, and that water remains in the District's allocation to account for this use versus debiting the City's account.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Hans Uslar". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Hans Uslar  
City Manager