

HUMBOLDT BAY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting
October 8, 2026



Dale Davidsen Retirement Celebration
9/28/2026

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

828 Seventh Street, Eureka, CA 95501

Regular and Closed Session Meetings of Thursday, October 8, 2026

PURPOSE	<i>Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District safeguards and sustainably delivers clean and reliable water to our community while protecting our natural resources and providing a resilient water supply for present and future generations.</i>
VISION	<i>An innovative and future-ready water system that equitably and reliably delivers water while enhancing environmental stewardship and community well-being.</i>

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AGENDA

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

Thursday, October 8, 2026 • 1:00 p.m. • 828 7th Street, Eureka, CA 95501

1. CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Accept Agenda

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public are invited to address the Board on items not listed on the agenda that are within the scope and jurisdiction of the District. The public may also request that an item on the Consent Calendar be pulled and discussed separately. At the discretion of the President, comments may be limited to three minutes per person. Under the Brown Act, the Board may not take action on any item that does not appear on the agenda and is limited to a brief response, clarifying questions, or referral to staff. Public comment on action items will be received before or during the Board's consideration of the item.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

These matters are routine in nature and are usually approved by a single combined motion unless an item is pulled for discussion.

1. Approve the Draft Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 10, 2026
2. Approve the Draft Minutes of the Special Joint Board Meeting with Ruth Lake Community Services District of September 25, 2026
3. Approve the June Financial Statement & Vendor Detail Report
4. Informational Memo Concerning Cal OES Request for Immediate Obligation of Pending California Disaster Recovery Funding
5. Informational Memo Concerning Retiree Health Insurance Thank You – Becky Moyle
6. Informational Memo Concerning Governor's State of Emergency for 2026–2027 El Niño Preparedness
7. Informational Memo Concerning North Coast Catalyst Convening and California's Fifth Climate Change Assessment in Support of the Baduwa't (Mad River) Watershed Resilience Initiative

4. PRESENTATIONS

1. None

5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION

1. Informational Memo Concerning FY2027–FY2030 Strategic Plan Progress Update: Multi-Year Initiatives and Milestones
2. Informational Memo Concerning Completion of Collector #4 Investigation and Repairs

3. Informational Memo Concerning the Emergency Action Plan for R.W. Matthews Dam - Annual Face-to-Face Seminar, Trinity County Discuss and Consider Approval Regular Board Meeting of September 10, 2026
4. Informational Memo Concerning 2026 National Public Lands Day: Ruth Lake Cleanup
5. Discuss and Consider Approval of Adoption of Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of FFY 2024 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) Award
6. Discuss and Consider Approval of Items Pulled from Consent Calendar

6. REPORTS

1. Staff Reports
 - a. Operations & Maintenance Report
 - b. Finance and Human Resources Report
 - c. Management Report
2. Active Ad-Hoc Committee Reports
 - a. General Manager Evaluation Committee
3. Director Reports — General Director Comments
 - a. Vice-President Woo
 - b. Director Wheeler
 - c. Director Stevens
 - d. Director Rupp
4. Organizations on which HBMWD Serves
 - a. Association of CA Water Agencies (ACWA)
 - b. Association of CA Water Agencies / Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA-JPIA)

7. DISCUSSION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Information Management System
2. Artificial Intelligence Policy

8. ADJOURNMENT

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 12, 2026.

AGENDA

CLOSED SESSION MEETING

Thursday, October 8, 2026 • To Immediately Follow Regular Business Meeting
828 7th Street, Eureka, CA 95501

1. CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public are invited to address the Board regarding the Closed Session item(s) listed on this agenda before the Board adjourns to Closed Session. Comments shall be limited to matters within the Board's jurisdiction that are identified on the Closed Session agenda. At the discretion of the President, comments may be limited to three minutes per speaker. Pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Board may not discuss or take action on matters not appearing on the agenda, except as authorized by law.

3. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

1. Information Security Program – Where We Were vs. Where We Are – Pursuant to Government Code § 54957(a)(1)
2. General Manager Mid-Year Performance Appraisal -Pursuant to Section 54957(b)(1)

4. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CLOSED SESSION

After Closed Session, the Board will reconvene in open session. The Board President or District Counsel will announce any action taken in Closed Session that is required to be reported under the Ralph M. Brown Act, including the vote or abstention of each member present. Reportable actions may include, as applicable, final approval of certain real property agreements, approval of certain litigation settlements or claim dispositions, action affecting the employment status of a public employee, or final approval of certain labor-negotiation agreements. If the Board discusses Closed Session items but takes no reportable action, the Board President or District Counsel may announce that there is no reportable action.

6. ADJOURNMENT

(The Board will discuss Closed Session agenda items in the Boardroom.)

BOARD STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date	October 8, 2026
Type of Meeting	Regular Business Session
Agenda Item No.	3.1
Agenda Item	September 10, 2026, Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Presented By	Contessa Dickson, Board Secretary
Type of Item	ACTION
Type of Action	Consent Calendar – General Vote
Applicable Board Policy	Policy 4220 – Minutes of the Board

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommend the Board consider approval of the Draft Minutes of the Board of Directors for September 10, 2026, Regular Meeting.

DISCUSSION

The Draft Minutes of September 10, 2026, Regular Board Meeting Minutes are attached. A reminder that the Minutes are approved by the legislative body, that is the Board of Directors, not individual members of the Board who were present at the Meeting.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

Governance & Organization.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND LEGAL REVIEW

Not Applicable

ALTERNATIVES

Take no action.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft Minutes from September 10, 2026, Regular Board Meeting

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

828 7th Street, Eureka CA 95501

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, September 10, 2026, 1:00 p.m. • 828 7th Street, Eureka, CA 95501

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Roll Call

President Fuller called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Roll call was conducted. Directors Fuller, Rupp, Stevens, Wheeler, and Woo were present. General Manager Michiko Mares, Director of Operations and Maintenance Dale Davidsen, Deputy Director of Operations and Maintenance Ryan Chairez, Director of Finance and Human Resources Chris Harris, and Board Secretary Contessa Dickson were present.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

President Fuller led the pledge of allegiance.

1.3 Accept Agenda

ACTION: Motion #26-051 to accept the Agenda

Maker: Director Rupp

Second: Director Woo

Vote: 5-0 to approve

Item 4.1, Baduwa't Watershed Resilience Initiative, was added to the agenda as a non-action informational presentation. Supplemental documents were also added to Item 5.4.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was received.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

ACTION: Motion #26-052 to approve the Consent Calendar

Maker: Director Rupp

Second: Director Stevens

Vote: 5-0 to approve

1. Approve the Draft Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 13, 2026
2. Approval of Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. 25-0772 with GFT Infrastructure, Inc. for the R.W. Matthews Dam FERC Part 12D Comprehensive Assessment
3. Approve Additional Reallocation of FY26 Project Funds
4. Authorization for the General Manager to Execute Contracts, in a Combined Amount Not to Exceed \$220,000, for Crane, Underwater Divers, Specialty Structural Repair, and Environmental Consulting Services to Complete Repairs at Ranney Collector Well No. 4.
5. Informational Memo - Ruth Lake Summer Festival – Gift Basket Donation and Appreciation
6. Informational Memo - Samoa Peninsula Waterline Right-of-Way Maintenance Project – Draft Environmental Impact Report Public Review

7. Discuss and Consider Approval of SB 827 Required Fiscal & Financial Training – October 27, 2026

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Baduwa't Watershed Resilience Initiative

Non-Action Item

Ms. Mares presented an overview of the EcoFlight and Baduwa't Watershed Resilience Initiative, including upper watershed conditions, regional collaboration, and future Proposition 4 funding opportunities. She reported that the District received a \$15,000 North Coast Resource Partnership technical assistance grant. The Board expressed support for the collaborative approach.

5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION

5.1 Discuss and Consider Approval of Adoption of Resolution 2026-09 – Recognizing and Honoring the Career and Service of Dale H. Davidsen

ACTION: Motion #26-053 to approve adopting Resolution 2026-09 – Recognizing and Honoring the Career and Service of Dale H. Davidsen.

Maker: Director Rupp

Second: Director Fuller

Director Woo: Aye

Director Wheeler: Aye

Director Stevens: Aye

Director Rupp: Aye

President Fuller: Aye

Vote: 5-0 to approve by roll call vote

The Board recognized Mr. Davidsen for 34 years of dedicated service to the District. Directors shared heartfelt comments reflecting on his career, institutional knowledge, leadership, and contributions to the District. Mr. Davidsen thanked the Board and staff and expressed confidence in District staff moving forward. Following discussion, the Board adopted Resolution 2026-09.

5.2 Discuss and Consider Approval of Adoption of Board Policy 3510 (Workplace Illness and Injury Prevention Program) and Board Policy 3525 (Workplace Violence Prevention Policy)

ACTION: Motion #26-054 to approve Resolution 2026-10 - adopting Board Policy 3510 (Workplace Illness and Injury Prevention Program) and Board Policy 3525 (Workplace Violence Prevention Policy), with the edits discussed.

Maker: Director Rupp

Second: Director Stevens

Director Woo: Aye

Director Wheeler: Aye

Director Stevens: Aye

Director Rupp: Aye

Director Fuller: Aye

Vote: 5-0 to approve By Roll Call Vote

Ms. Mares presented Board Policies 3510 and 3525. The Board discussed records retention and delegation of operational safety-program updates. The policies were approved with an edit clarifying that applicable

documentation will be retained for a minimum of three years. Following discussion, the Board adopted Resolution 2026-10 approving Board Policies 3510 and 3525 with the edit noted above.

5.3 Discuss and Consider Approval of August Financial Statement & Vendor Detail Report

ACTION: Motion #26-055 to approve the August Financial Statement & Vendor Detail Report in the amount of \$340,019.04.
Maker: Director Rupp
Second: Director Woo
Vote: 5-0 to approve

Ms. Harris presented the August Financial Statement & Vendor Detail Report and reviewed current cash, investment, advance charge, and reserve balances. Staff highlighted approximately \$100,000 budgeted for removal of dead and dying trees around Ruth Lake. Following discussion, the Board approved the August Financial Statement & Vendor Detail Report.

5.4 Discuss and Consider Approval of Opposition to Proposed Rescission of the 2001 Roadless Area Conservation Rule

ACTION: Motion #26-056 to approve opposition to the proposed rescission of the 2001 Roadless Area Conservation Rule.
Maker: Director Rupp
Second: Director Fuller
Vote: 5-0 to approve

Director Wheeler presented the item and discussed potential impacts of rescinding protections for roadless areas within the District's watershed. Following discussion, the Board approved opposition to the proposed rescission of the 2001 Roadless Area Conservation Rule.

5.5 Informational Memo – Award of North Coast Resource Partnership Technical Assistance Grant, Baduwa't Watershed Resilience Initiative

Non-Action Item

Ms. Mares reported that the District was awarded a \$15,000 North Coast Resource Partnership technical assistance grant to support development of the Baduwa't Watershed Resilience Initiative.

5.6 Discuss and Consider Approval of Resolution 2026-11 – Authorizing a Funding Agreement with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for the Oil Spill Response Equipment Staging Project, Trinity County

ACTION: Motion #26-057 to approve Resolution 2026-11 – Authorizing a Funding Agreement with CDFW for the Oil Spill Response Equipment Staging Project, Trinity County.
Maker: Director Stevens
Second: Director Wheeler

Director Wheeler: Aye
Director Woo: Aye
Director Stevens: Aye
Director Rupp: Aye
President Fuller: Aye
Vote: 5-0 to approve By Roll Call Vote

Ms. Mares reported that CDFW recommended the grant following the March dam emergency to provide on-site spill response materials. The grant will fund a mobile storage container and response supplies, including booms and absorbent materials. Following discussion, the Board adopted Resolution 2026-11.

6. REPORTS

1. Staff Reports

Non-Action Item

a. Operations & Maintenance Report

Mr. Chairez presented the August Operations & Maintenance Report. The Board discussed Collector #4 repairs and requested updates on the results.

b. Management Report

Ms. Mares presented the General Manager's Report and highlighted the September 25 Joint Board Meeting and R.W. Matthews Dam Emergency Action Plan seminar and drill. She also reported on progress from the fourth Instream Flow Dedication Technical Working Group meeting toward a potential fall pulse release. The Board requested continued outreach to regional partners regarding collaborative grant funding opportunities.

2. Active Ad-Hoc Committee Reports

a. GM Evaluation Committee

President Fuller reported that the General Manager Appraisal Committee met with the consultant on August 26. Staff completed portions of the work internally to meet the District's schedule, which may reduce the consultant's scope. The committee expects to meet again.

3. Director Reports

a. Vice-President Woo

Vice-President Woo shared the news of Mary Gelinas' passing and recognized her contributions to water resources planning and the District. Ms. Gelinas had filed for the Division 5 Board seat.

b. Director Stevens

Director Stevens requested updates on the Collector #4 repair results and reported that she plans to attend the October 27 fiscal and financial training.

c. Director Rupp

Director Rupp requested updates on the Humboldt Bay Area Plan and Collector #4 repairs. He reported that he will be unable to attend the September 25 Joint Board Meeting and plans to attend the October 27 fiscal and financial training.

d. Director Wheeler

No comment.

e. President Fuller

President Fuller reflected on the passing of Mary Gelinas, describing her as a friend and mentor and recognizing her longstanding involvement with the District and the broader water community. She expressed that Ms. Gelinas' passing is a significant loss.

President Fuller reported that she is looking forward to the Joint Board Meeting with Ruth Lake Community Services District (RLCSD) and will reach out to the RLCSD Board President in advance of the meeting. She also reported that she will be absent from the October Regular Board Meeting due to work travel.

4. Organizations on Which HBMWD Serves

a. Association of CA Water Agencies (ACWA)

Director Rupp reported that he did not attend any meetings.

b. Association of CA Water Agencies/Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA-JPIA)

Director Rupp reported that he did not attend any meetings.

7. DISCUSSION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Non-Action Item

a. Information Management System

No update.

b. Artificial Intelligence Policy

No update.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Attest:

Sheri Woo, Board Vice-President

Contessa Dickson, Board Secretary

BOARD STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date	October 8, 2026
Type of Meeting	Regular Business Session
Agenda Item No.	3.2
Agenda Item	September 25, 2026, Special Joint Board Meeting with Ruth Lake Community Services District (RLCSD) Minutes
Presented By	Contessa Dickson, Board Secretary
Type of Item	ACTION
Type of Action	Consent Calendar – General Vote
Applicable Board Policy	Policy 4220 – Minutes of the Board

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommend the Board consider approval of the Draft Minutes of the Board of Directors for September 25, 2026, Special Joint Meeting with RLCSD.

DISCUSSION

The Draft Minutes of September 25, 2026, Special Joint Board Meeting with RLSCD Minutes are attached. A reminder that the Minutes are approved by the legislative body, that is the Board of Directors, not individual members of the Board who were present at the Meeting.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

Governance & Organization.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND LEGAL REVIEW

Not Applicable

ALTERNATIVES

Take no action.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft Minutes from September 25, 2026, Special Joint Board Meeting

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

828 7th Street, Eureka CA 95501

MINUTES

SPECIAL JOINT BOARD MEETING WITH RUTH LAKE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Friday, September 25, 2026, 1:00 p.m. • 591 Van Duzen Road, Mad River, CA 95552

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Roll Call

President Fuller jointly called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Roll call was conducted. HBMWD Directors Fuller, Stevens, Wheeler, and Woo were present, along with General Manager Michiko Mares and Board Secretary Contessa Dickson. Ruth Lake Community Services District Board Members Jordan Emery, Ed Johnson, Debra Sellman, and Ben Boak were present, along with General Manager Caitlin Canale and Board Secretary Cynthia Lofthouse.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

President Fuller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.3 Accept Agenda

ACTION: Motion #26-058 to accept the Agenda
Maker: Director Woo
Second: Director Wheeler
Vote: 4-0 to approve

RLCSD separately accepted the agenda.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was received.

3. PARTNER UPDATES

3.1 Trinity County – 5th District Supervisor – Julia Brownfield

Non-Action Item

Supervisor Julia Brownfield reported that Trinity County continues to focus on the County budget and comprehensive General Plan update. She also recognized recent work by the Transportation Department on roads in the area.

3.2 Trinity County Planning – Drew Plebani

Non-Action Item

Drew Plebani thanked HBMWD and RLCSD staff for the recent tour of District properties and Ruth Lake lease lots. He reported that Trinity County is working through its comprehensive General Plan update and anticipates beginning a comprehensive zoning code update in 2027.

3.3 Trinity County OES – Arina Erwin/Sonni Demello

Non-Action Item

Trinity County OES thanked the District for the collaborative Emergency Action Plan discussion and noted that the work complements the County's Emergency Operations Plan update. OES encouraged community

members to register with Ready Trinity and discussed the County's expanded emergency alert capabilities, including alerts to individuals located within an affected area.

3.4 Southern Trinity Area Rescue (STAR) – Brooke Entsminger

Non-Action Item

Brooke Entsminger reported that Southern Trinity Area Rescue has separated from Southern Trinity Health Services Corporation and is nearing completion of its first year as an independent nonprofit. STAR continues to provide ambulance service to the Ruth Lake area and will need continued community support.

3.5 Southern Trinity Volunteer Fire Department – Melony Shortt

Non-Action Item

Melony Shortt thanked the District for the collaborative EAP meeting format. She reported a relatively quiet fire season, with the Bailey incident near Ruth Lake being the most significant local fire. The department continues to support fuel-reduction efforts and is making improvements to its facility, including installation of metal siding. She also expressed appreciation for improved communication following discussion of the March 2026 dam incident.

3.6 U.S. Forest Service – Kristen Lark

Non-Action Item

Kristen Lark reported a relatively quiet fire season on the Shasta-Trinity National Forest and noted that fire restrictions may soon be lifted as fuel conditions improve. She discussed National Public Lands Day at Ruth Lake, ongoing upper Mad River watershed stewardship, the South Fork Mountain vegetation project, fuel-reduction work, and upcoming work in the Kettenpom/Zenia area. The Forest Service continues to coordinate with HBMWD and RLCSD on recreation, watershed protection, and invasive mussel prevention.

4. DISCUSSION

4.1. Shared History, Founding Partnerships, and Renewed Commitment to Collaborate at Ruth Lake

Non-Action Item

General Manager Mares introduced the item and reviewed the historic agreements among HBMWD, Trinity County, and RLCSD associated with development of Ruth Lake, surrounding roads, recreation facilities, and formation of RLCSD. She emphasized the value of understanding the shared history as the agencies continue strengthening their working relationship.

Caitlin Canale discussed the community's long history with the reservoir and noted that HBMWD and RLCSD are often viewed collectively by the public even though they have different responsibilities. She emphasized continued collaboration to support Ruth Lake and the surrounding community. The Boards discussed the historical materials and the importance of recognizing both the regional water-supply purpose of Ruth Lake and its importance to the local community and recreation.

4.2. Status Update on Current Grant-Funded Projects at Ruth Lake

Non-Action Item

Caitlin Canale reported on the completed grant-funded restoration of power and access at the Old Ruth boat launch gate. The project totaled approximately \$56,000 and restored an important alternative launch location that helps reduce congestion at Ruth Rec and the marina.

Ms. Canale also reported on the Ruth Lake decontamination station. The project received a \$100,000 grant with additional HBMWD support. The hydro blaster was delivered and installed in August and has been winterized for use next season. The station will provide ballast-tank boaters an alternative to the 30-day

quarantine process, with decontamination anticipated to be available by appointment for a fee. Director Woo noted that the project is a positive example of collaboration between the two districts.

4.3. Watershed Resilience Implementation Program – Proposition 4 Grant Opportunity

Non-Action Item

General Manager Mares presented the upcoming Department of Water Resources Watershed Resilience Implementation Program funded through Proposition 4. The anticipated planning opportunity would support a watershed-wide collaborative process from the headwaters through the communities served by the water supply. The effort would identify data gaps, needed studies, and a prioritized portfolio of future resilience projects. HBMWD has received \$15,000 toward facilitation and is contributing an additional \$15,000, with other wholesale customers also considering contributions. Discussion included watershed stewardship, sediment entering Ruth Lake, wildfire and forest resilience, infrastructure, fisheries, recreation, sea-level-rise vulnerability, and the importance of positioning the region for future implementation funding. Nick Goulette of the Watershed Research and Training Center expressed support for the collaborative planning effort and the opportunity to bring additional public investment into the watershed.

4.4. Trinity County Update to the Ruth Lake Specific Unit Development (SUD) Guidelines

Non-Action Item

Caitlin Canale provided background on the Ruth Lake Specific Unit Development (SUD) issue. Trinity County Planning raised the issue in May 2024 after determining that the SUD zoning had been established but the associated development guidelines were never completed. This has created uncertainty for building permits and post-fire rebuilding on the lease lots.

Drew Plebani explained that zoning standards establish allowable uses, density, setbacks, and other development requirements. Because the Ruth Lake lease lots are uniquely configured within larger assessor parcels and do not have County-recognized surveyed boundaries, development review is particularly complex. He discussed the need to establish clear guidelines that address current State and County requirements, including fire-safe access, defensible space, structure standards, water and wastewater, and the intended future uses of the lease lots.

The Boards discussed existing RLCSD policies, current and future fire requirements, property-owner responsibilities, liability, recreational uses, and whether different development categories may be appropriate for different lease-lot areas. Participants identified an inventory of the lease lots, existing improvements, lot sizes, and current uses as a useful starting point. Leaseholder Eric Smith encouraged a measured approach that protects recreation and existing uses while adapting to changing requirements. Staff will continue coordinating with Trinity County and the two districts to develop a path forward.

4.5. Humboldt Trinity Recreation Alliance (HTRA) Request to Donate a Portion of APN 020-330-005 for the Trinity Resilience Center

Non-Action Item

General Manager Mares reviewed HTRA's request for donation of a portion of HBMWD-owned property for the proposed Trinity Resilience Center. Based on staff's site visit and legal review, the originally proposed location appeared unsuitable for the proposed development due to site constraints. She stated that a site suitability review would be needed before proceeding with the legal considerations associated with a potential property transfer.

Patsy of HTRA reported that HTRA is now evaluating an alternate location near Ruth-Zenia Road and the transfer station and has provided an updated concept plan. HTRA has received a \$15,000 North Coast Resource Partnership grant for technical assistance and is pursuing additional funding to continue feasibility and site evaluation work.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

Attest:

Sheri Woo, Board Vice-President

Contessa Dickson, Board Secretary

STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCES - PAGE 1 OF 2**Sep-26****ACCOUNT BALANCES AT MONTH-END**

	September 30, 2026	September 30, 2025
GENERAL ACCOUNTS		
1. US Bank - General Account	594,981.83	406,803.64
2. US Bank - Xpress BillPay/Electronic Payments Account	16,863.92	6,468.80
<i>Subtotal</i>	611,845.75	413,272.44
INVESTMENT & INTEREST BEARING ACCOUNTS		
3. US Bank - PARS Investment Account	918,343.76	928,539.83
<i>Contributions = \$800,000 Disbursements = \$221,619</i>		
4. L. A. I. F Account - MSRA Reserve Account	517,699.91	496,978.50
5. CalTRUST - Restricted Inv. Account (Medium Term)	1,931,009.53	1,910,935.65
6. CalTRUST - General Reserve Account (Short-Term)	3,567,964.32	2,471,209.50
Total CalTRUST Accounts	5,498,973.85	4,382,145.15
7. California CLASS - DWFP Reserve Account	288,580.34	277,810.96
8. California CLASS - ReMat Reserve Account	1,559,267.06	1,467,277.52
9. California CLASS - General Reserve Account	2,870,337.29	2,763,220.60
Total California CLASS Accounts	4,718,184.69	4,508,309.08
10. Humboldt County - SRF Loan Payment Account	1,708,338.12	1,121,935.87
11. Humboldt County - 1% Tax Account	169,207.67	20,535.26
<i>Subtotal</i>	13,530,748.00	11,458,443.69
OTHER ACCOUNTS		
12. ReMat Deposit - Mellon Bank	27,000.00	27,000.00
13. Cash on Hand	700.00	700.00
<i>Subtotal</i>	27,700.00	27,700.00
TOTAL CASH	14,170,293.75	11,899,416.13

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FUND BALANCES AT MONTH-END

FUND BALANCES AT MONTH-END	September 30, 2026	September 30, 2025
RESTRICTED FUNDS - ENCUMBERED		
1. Prior-Year Price Factor 2 Rebate	(6,457.90)	(18,570.75)
2. Prior-Year Restricted AP Encumbrances	(1,684,199.00)	(1,365,444.00)
3. Advanced Charges - 3x Tank Seismic Retrofit	-	(1,283,138.60)
4. Advanced Charges - Cathodic Protection Project	-	(124,999.96)
6. Advanced Charges - On-Site Generation of Chlorine	-	(40,780.50)
7. Advanced Charges - Redundant Pipeline	-	(463,531.77)
8. Advanced Charges - TRF Emergency Generator	(118,645.62)	(284,020.47)
9. 3AC Collected Funds - TRF Emergency Generator	(312,858.62)	(312,858.62)
11. Advanced Funding - August Complex-Ruth Paving	-	(112,456.22)
12. Advanced Charges - Assist. Spillway Seismic Grant	(409,072.20)	(484,567.44)
13. Advanced Funding - Eureka Cyber Security	-	(19,489.22)
14. Advanced Charges - Essex Facility Expansion	(105,400.00)	(105,400.00)
15. Advanced Charges - Modular Training & EOC Building	(260,000.00)	-
16. Advanced Charges - Ruth Storage Barn	(209,166.63)	(209,166.63)
17. Advanced Charges - Curtis Heights Mitigation	(50,000.00)	-
18. Advanced Charges - Samoa Dunes Mitigation	(150,000.00)	-
16. Advanced Charges - Capital Financing/Debt Service	(253,688.01)	(1,054,932.90)
<i>Subtotal</i>	(3,559,487.98)	(5,879,357.08)
RESTRICTED FUNDS - OTHER		
17. 1% Tax Credit to Muni's	(169,207.67)	(20,535.26)
18. Pension Trust Reserves	(918,343.76)	(949,858.94)
19. ReMat Deposit	(27,000.00)	(27,000.00)
20. HB Retail Capital Replacement Reserves	(222,454.02)	(176,545.95)
<i>Subtotal</i>	(1,337,005.45)	(1,173,940.15)
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS		
BOARD RESTRICTED		
21. MSRA Reserves	(517,699.91)	(496,978.50)
22. DWFP Reserves	(288,580.34)	(277,810.96)
23. ReMat Reserves	(1,559,267.06)	(1,467,277.52)
24. Northern Mainline Extension Study Prepayment	(510.31)	(706.31)
25. Blue Lake Rancheria Extension Study Prepayment	-	117.77
<i>Subtotal</i>	(2,366,057.62)	(2,242,773.29)
UNRESTRICTED RESERVES		
30. General Fund Reserves	(6,907,742.70)	(2,608,978.05)
<i>Subtotal</i>	(6,907,742.70)	(2,603,345.61)
TOTAL NET POSITION	(14,170,293.75)	(11,899,416.13)

HUMBOLDT BAY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

REVENUE REPORT
September 30, 2026

25%
Of Budget Year

A. REVENUE RETURNED TO CUSTOMERS VIA PF2

	MTD RECEIPTS	YTD RECEIPTS	PRIOR YEAR	BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
1. Humboldt Bay Retail Water Revenue	39,516	98,509	90,391	375,000	26%
General Revenue					
Power Sales (Net ReMat)	1,447	10,015	12,988	125,000	8%
Tax Receipts (1% Taxes)	0	0	149	1,450,000	0%
Interest - Muni PF2 Retained	0	5,005	5,386	40,000	13%
2. Miscellaneous Revenue*	44	245	1,410	25,000	1%
<i>*Detail on following page</i>					
TOTAL PF2 REVENUE CREDITS	41,007	113,774	110,323	2,015,000	6%

A. DISTRICT REVENUE

	MTD RECEIPTS	YTD RECEIPTS	PRIOR YEAR	BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
3. Industrial Water Revenue					
Harbor District	0	0	0	0	0
Subtotal Industrial Water Revenue	0	0	0	0	0
4. Municipal Water Revenue					
City of Arcata	147,087	430,984	413,654	1,794,525	24%
City of Blue Lake	20,083	59,243	56,749	241,987	24%
City of Eureka	337,346	996,697	633,585	4,127,379	24%
Fieldbrook CSD	0	56,027	54,472	237,082	24%
Humboldt CSD	110,196	317,711	295,895	1,313,180	24%
Manila CSD	8,617	33,299	24,968	105,403	32%
McKinleyville CSD	119,084	345,791	332,784	1,445,570	24%
Subtotal Municipal Water Revenue	742,412	2,239,752	1,812,107	9,265,126	24%
TOTAL INDUSTRIAL & WHOLESALE REVENUE	742,412	2,239,752	1,812,107	9,265,126	24%

5. Power Sales					
Power Sales (ReMat Revenue)	3,085	19,322	26,046	300,000	6%
Interest (ReMat Revenue)	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL REMAT REVENUE	3,085	19,322	26,046	300,000	6%

6. Other Revenue and Grant Reimbursement					
HB Retail Capital Replacement Rev.	3,887	11,275	11,485		
FCSD Contract	0	99,179	83,839		
FEMA/CalOES Grant Revenue	73,177	73,177	82,829		
Quagga Grant Revenue	0	0	0		
Misc. Grant Revenue	0	62,740	2,975		
Interest Earned	0	0	0		
Net Increase/(Decrease) Investment Accounts	11,035	69,409	127,823		
TOTAL OTHER/GRANT REVENUE	88,099	315,780	308,952		
GRAND TOTAL REVENUE	874,603	2,688,629	2,257,429	11,580,126	23%

HUMBOLDT BAY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE - DETAIL REPORT
September 30, 2026

B. MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS (RETURNED TO CUSTOMERS VIA PF2)

	MTD RECEIPTS	YTD RECEIPTS
Miscellaneous Revenue		
	-	-
Fees - Park Use	-	-
Refund - Diesel Fuel Tax	-	62
Refunds - Miscellaneous	-	-
	-	-
Reimb. - Copies & Postage	14	92
Reimb. - Gas	-	-
Reimb. - Misc. Employee	-	-
Reimb. - Telephone	-	-
UB - Water Processing Fees	30	90
UB - Hydrant Rental Deposit/Use	-	-
Sale of Scrap Metal/Gravel	-	-
Sale - Surplus Material/Equipment	-	-
Ruth Area		
Lease - Ruth Mutual Water Company	-	-
Ruth Annual Lessee Water Fees	-	-
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	44	245

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SALARY AND EMPLOYEE BENEFIT EXPENDITURES (S. E. B.)

	Month-to-Date	Year-to-Date	Prior Year	Budget	% of Budget
Compensation					
1. Wages - Regular	236,231.01	710,569.18	611,560.99	3,432,466	23%
2. Wages - Sick	12,535.92	22,943.35	17,680.86		
3. Wages - Vacation	18041.21	68,341.52	70,270.00		
<i>Subtotal</i>	266,808.14	801,854.05	699,511.85	3,432,466	23%
4. Wages - Overtime	6,011.69	14,744.17	37,312.46	20,000	
5. Wages - Holiday (Worked)	1,224.36	4,059.70	3,121.32	20,000	
<i>Subtotal</i>	7,236.05	18,803.87	40,433.78	40,000	47%
6. Wages - Part-Time	6,486.13	34,991.79	24,616.80	127,328	27%
7. Wages - Shift Differential	1,204.39	3,513.12	3,115.07	13,572	26%
8. Wages - Standby	12,297.42	35,480.22	30,059.81	135,720	26%
9. Director Compensation	1,357.20	3,737.24	7,593.00	42,073	9%
10. Secretarial Fees	165.99	493.31	371.00	3,433	14%
<i>Subtotal</i>	21,511.13	78,215.68	65,755.68	322,127	24%
<i>Total District Salaries & Wages</i>	295,555.32	898,873.60	805,701.31	3,794,593	24%
Employee Benefits					
11. Payroll Tax Expenses	22,226.11	67,736.91	60,688.45	285,782	24%
12. Health, Life, & LTD Ins.	49,021.14	146,573.54	139,031.57	739,265	20%
13. Air Medical Insurance	-	2,625.00	1,817.00	2,370	111%
14. Retiree Medical Insurance	16,220.38	47,444.00	45,071.63	120,000	37%
14a. Retiree Medical Reimb.	-	(3,452.76)	(14,470.78)		
15. Employee Dental Insurance	4,335.69	13,002.43	7,168.02	62,553	21%
16. Employee Vision Insurance	541.82	1,614.55	1,683.25	7,125	23%
17. Employee EAP	72.37	215.72	224.88	1,225	18%
18. Fitness Stipend	180.00	904.15	360.00	15,120	6%
19. 457b District Contribution	3,637.50	11,062.50	10,887.50	44,250	25%
20. CalPERS Expenses	35,599.01	549,490.15	492,223.97	854,897	64%
21. Workers Comp Insurance	-	17,570.86	17,772.11	155,136	11%
<i>Total District Employee Benefits</i>	131,834	854,787	762,458	2,287,723	37%
TOTAL S.E.B	427,389.34	1,753,660.65	1,568,158.91	6,082,316	29%

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SERVICE & SUPPLY EXPENDITURES (S & S)

	Month-to-Date	Year-to-Date	Prior Year	Budget	% of Budget
Operations & Maintenance					
1. Auto Maintenance	3434.76	12,183.15	9,089.63	50,000	24%
2. Engineering	-	2,235.64	-	75,000	3%
3. Lab Expenses	1,865.00	7,579.00	4,862.00	25,000	30%
4. Maintenance & Repairs					
General	5,962.27	13,875.67	6,312.74	48,000	29%
TRF	1693.29	4,707.38	3,877.70	35,000	13%
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>7,655.56</i>	<i>18,583.05</i>	<i>10,190.44</i>	<i>83,000</i>	<i>22%</i>
5. Materials & Supplies					
General	2,979.29	14,774.96	7,893.04	55,000	27%
TRF	450.54	1,070.05	36,267.43	75,000	1%
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>3,429.83</i>	<i>15,845.01</i>	<i>44,160.47</i>	<i>130,000</i>	<i>12%</i>
6. Radio Maintenance	611.97	2,182.65	1,462.51	11,500	19%
7. Ruth Lake License	-	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500	100%
8. Safety Equip./Training					
General	1,656.67	3,464.84	3,594.22	20,000	17%
TRF	-	-	258.28	2,000	0%
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>1,656.67</i>	<i>3,464.84</i>	<i>3,852.50</i>	<i>22,000</i>	<i>16%</i>
9. Tools & Equipment	535.34	2,007.60	343.87	5,000	40%
10. USGS Meter Station	-	-	-	10,000	0%
<i>Operations Subtotal</i>	<i>19,189.13</i>	<i>65,580.94</i>	<i>75,461.42</i>	<i>413,000</i>	<i>16%</i>
General & Administration					
11. Accounting Services	350.00	12,940.00	350.00	50,000	26%
12. Bad Debt Expense	-	-	-	-	0%
13. Dues & Subscriptions	20.00	2,609.23	1,554.42	43,000	6%
14. IT & Software Maintenance	14,922.66	53,341.55	18,480.15	205,000	26%
15. Insurance	-	4,238.20	74,797.71	156,000	3%
16. Internet	940.30	2,675.22	2,580.01	12,500	21%
17. Legal Services	2,084.00	9,268.50	22,134.00	45,000	21%
18. Miscellaneous	795.26	2,601.99	1,571.22	10,000	26%
19. Office Building Maint.	1,646.70	6,445.57	4,645.32	24,000	27%
20. Office Expense	5,463.80	15,850.01	10,024.46	40,000	40%
21. Professional Services	150.00	14,024.00	11,869.00	30,000	47%
22. Property Tax	-	-	-	3,000	0%

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SERVICE & SUPPLY EXPENDITURES (S & S)

	Month-to-Date	Year-to-Date	Prior Year	Budget	% of Budget
23. Regulatory Agency Fees	7,469.60	7,802.78	21,913.01	235,000	3%
24. Ruth Lake Programs	-	-	-	5,000	0%
25. Safety Apparel	-	638.82	483.93	10,050	6%
26. Technical Training	1,383.14	1,383.14	258.00	14,000	10%
27. Telephone	1,610.75	4,311.99	2,883.44	15,000	29%
28. Travel & Conference	482.40	567.40	7,971.79	22,000	3%
Gen. & Admin. Subtotal	37,318.61	138,698.40	181,516.46	919,550	15%
TOTAL SERVICE & SUPPLY	56,507.74	204,279.34	256,977.88	1,332,549.92	15%

Power

29. Essex - PG & E	85,119.46	245,092.86	278,504.71		
30. 2Mw Generator Fuel	-	-	-		
<i>Subtotal Essex Pumping</i>	85,119.46	245,092.86	278,504.71	984,000	
31. All other PG & E	8,579.95	29,028.61	35,085.92	205,000	
<i>Subtotal All Power</i>	93,699.41	274,121.47	313,590.63	1,189,000	23%
Total Service and Supplies incl.					
Power	150,207.15	478,400.81	570,568.51	2,521,550	19%

GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES	577,596.49	2,232,061.46	2,138,727.42	8,603,865.63	26%
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OTHER EXPENSES

32. ReMat Consultant Exp.	856.30	3,033.80	2,381.82		
33. Capital Replacement Exp.	-	-	-		

TOTAL EXPENSES WITH OTHER EXPENSES

	578,452.79	2,235,095.26	2,141,109.24		
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PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT

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25% Of Budget Year

A. CAPITAL PROJECTS

	MTD	YTD		% OF
GRANT FUNDED PROJECTS	EXPENSES	TOTAL	BUDGET	BUDGET
1 Grant - TRF Generator (Treatment Facility Project, \$2M - FEMA)	9,979	436,470	1,049,529	42%
2 Grant - 2x Tank Seismic Retro (Korblex Tanks) (\$7M - FEMA-\$5.7M, Reallocation \$1.3M)	119,069	325,101	206,032	158%
3 Adv. Assistance Spillway Seismic Grant (\$2M - FEMA, withdrawing)	0	23,294	1,455,305	2%
TOTAL GRANT FUNDED CAPITAL PROJECTS	129,048	784,866	2,710,866	29%

NON-GRANT FUNDED CAPITAL PROJECTS

4 Mainline Valve Replacement Program	0	0	50,000	0%
5 Engineering, Foundation-Modular EOC Building	0	0	105,000	0%
6 Collector 3 & 4 Underground Power	0	0	185,750	0%
7 Electric Vehicle Charging Stations	0	0	6,250	0%
		(Reallocated Funds)	(6,250)	
8 Filter Building Inspection (Treatment Facility Project)	0	0	8,000	0%
9 C-Poly Chemical Feed System (Treatment Facility Project)	0	0	15,000	0%
TOTAL NON-GRANT FUNDED CAPITAL PROJECTS	0	0	363,750	0%

B. EQUIPMENT AND FIXED ASSET PROJECTS

	MTD	YTD		% OF
	EXPENSES	TOTAL	BUDGET	BUDGET
10 FY27 Replace Essex Admin. Computers	16,372	16,372	6,500	252%
11 FY27 Replace Control Computers	0	0	6,500	0%
12 Avigilon Server	0	0	13,000	0%
13 Wave Server - PBX Upgrade	0	0	8,000	0%
14 Admin & Control Routers & Switches	0	0	4,000	0%
15 Confined Space Operations Equipment	0	0	31,750	0%
16 HB Radio Read Meters	0	0	9,500	0%
17 Maintenance & Electrical Tool Replacements	0	643	4,500	14%

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B. EQUIPMENT AND FIXED ASSET PROJECTS (con't)

	MTD	YTD		% OF
	EXPENSES	TOTAL	BUDGET	BUDGET
18 Security Cameras	0	0	11,500	0%
19 Vacuum Trailer Replacement	0	0	147,000	0%
		(Reallocated Funds)	(147,000)	
20 Replace Unit 13 - Essex Commuter Car	0	0	47,750	0%
		(Reallocated Funds)	(47,750)	
21 FY27 Replace Eureka Administrative Computers	0	0	7,800	0%
22 Eureka Office Alarm Upgrade	0	0	6,000	0%
23 Small Equipment for Eureka Office	0	0	4,000	0%
24 Replace Hydro Plant PLC's	0	0	27,950	0%
Additional Funds Encumbered , line 8E below				
25 AC Units for Headquarters, Bunkhouse & Hydro Plant (Add'l Encumbered)	0	0	5,300	0%
Additional Funds Encumbered , line 11E below				
TOTAL EQUIPMENT & FIXED ASSET PROJECTS	16,372	17,016	146,300	

C. MAINTENANCE PROJECTS

	MTD	YTD		% OF
	EXPENSES	TOTAL	BUDGET	BUDGET
26 FY27 Pipeline Maintenance	0	1,383	16,000	9%
27 FY27 Mainline Meter Flow Calibration	0	0	16,000	0%
28 Control System Pro-IT Support Set-Up Charges	0	0	7,800	0%
29 FY27 Generator Services	0	248	3,600	7%
30 FY27 Hazardous & Diseased Tree Removal	0	0	10,000	0%
31 FY27 Cathodic Protecction	0	0	1,500	0%
32 FY27 Maintenance Emergency Repairs	0	0	50,000	0%
33 FY27 Fleet Paint Repairs	0	0	5,000	0%
34 FY27 12kV Electric System General Maintenance	0	0	15,000	0%
35 Voice & SCADA Radio Maintenance	0	0	5,000	0%
36 FY25 Technical Support and Software Updates	0	0	2,600	0%
37 Collector Lube Oil System	0	0	4,500	0%
38 OSHG System Maintenance	10,402	10,447	22,000	47%
39 New Control Server & Rockwell Migration	0	0	216,000	0%
40 Collector Efficiency Testing	0	0	1,000	0%
41 Wireless SCADA Radio System & Switch Upgrade	0	0	10,000	0%
42 OSHG PLC Upgrade	0	0	7,750	0%
42A Hydraulic Line Failure (FY26 claim denied)	436,852	436,852	0	0

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C. MAINTENANCE PROJECTS (con't)

	MTD	YTD		% OF
	EXPENSES	TOTAL	BUDGET	BUDGET
43 Repair Collector 7 Pump 1.4 Softstarter	0	0	5,000	0%
44 Collector 3 Air Relief Valve Replacement	0	0	11,500	0%
45 FY27 SC198 Safety Committee Funding	544	544	5,000	11%
46 FY27 TRF Generator Service	0	0	500	0%
<i>(Treatment Facility Project)</i>				
47 FY27 TRF Limitorque Vale Retrofit Supplies	0	529	5,000	11%
<i>(Treatment Facility Project)</i>				
48 TRF Valve Network Upgrade (Phase 3)	26	554	55,000	0%
<i>(Treatment Facility Project)</i>				
49 TRF Hypochlorite Pump Skid Replumbing	0	0	2,700	0%
<i>(Treatment Facility Project)</i>				
50 FY27 Brush Abatement - Ruth Hydro	0	0	22,000	0%
51 Ruth Dead/Dying Tree Removal/Clearing from Lake	0	0	100,000	1%
52 FY27 LTO Insurance	0	0	6,000	0%
53 FY27 Spillway Repairs	817	817	10,000	0%
54 FY27 Howell Bungler Valve Inspection	0	0	1,600	0%
55 FY27 Log Boom Inspection	0	0	1,600	0%
56 Caiso Meter Calibration	0	0	4,500	0%
57 FY27 Eureka Office Generator Service	0	0	500	0%
TOTAL MAINTENANCE PROJECTS	448,641	451,375	624,650	1

D. PROFESSIONAL & CONSULTING SERVICES

	MTD	YTD		% OF
	EXPENSES	TOTAL	BUDGET	BUDGET
58 FY27 Crane Testing & Certification	0	0	12,000	0%
59 Crane Operator Certification	0	0	10,000	0%
60 FY27 Water Quality Equipment Calibration/Maint.	0	0	6,750	0%
61 FY27 Cyber Security Maintenance	0	0	5,500	0%
62 Cyber Security Implementation	0	0	25,000	0%
63 Collector 4 Investigation & Repairs	0	0	75,000	0%
<i>Additional Funds Encumbered , line 3E below</i>		<i>(Reallocated Funds)</i>	(33,500)	
64 Collector Pump VFD-Integration & Review of Elect.	0	0	20,000	0%
65 Isolation Valve Project	0	0	15,500	0%
<i>Additional Funds Encumbered , line 1E below</i>				

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D. PROFESSIONAL & CONSULTING SERVICES (CON'T)

	MTD EXPENSES	YTD TOTAL	BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
66 Engineering Assessments for CIP	0	0	250,000	0%
		(Reallocated Funds)	(250,000)	
67 FY27 Essex Mad River Cross-Sectional Survey	0	0	15,000	0%
68 FY27 Technical Training	0	0	20,000	0%
69 FY27 O & M Training	0	0	24,500	0%
79 Back Flow Certification	0	0	6,000	0%
80 GIS - Project Completion	2,022	5,512	25,000	22%
81 Easement Management	0	0	30,000	0%
82 Mitigation Funds, Samoa Dunes EIR	0	0	65,000	0%
		(Reallocated Funds)	(50,000)	
83 Wiyot Tribe Monitor Contract	0	0	25,000	0%
84 SPCC Plan Update	0	0	5,000	0%
85 Source Water Assessment (DWSAP)	0	0	50,000	0%
86 FY27 Watershed Planning, Reg Support, Public Outreach	67	67	55,000	0%
87 FY27 Grant Application Assistance	1,229	1,229	20,000	6%
88 Performance Eval Process Development	195	1,069	10,000	11%
89 Ruth Hydro Synchronizer Replace Engineering Plan	0	0	10,000	0%
90 FY27 Dam Spillway Monument Survey	0	0	10,000	0%
91 FY27 Matthews Dam Spillway Wingwall & Floor Survey	0	0	10,000	0%
92 FY27 FERC Chief Dam Safety Engineer	0	41,320	61,000	68%
		(Reallocated Funds)	(46,000)	
TOTAL PROF/CONSULTING SERVICES	3,513	49,197	481,750	10%

E. INDUSTRIAL SYSTEM PROJECTS

TOTAL INDUSTRIAL SYSTEM PROJECTS	0	0	0	0%
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F. ADVANCED CHARGES & DEBIT SERVICE FUNDS COLLECTED

94 Prof. Services for New Capital Debt	13,517	40,550	162,200	25%
TOTAL ADVANCED CHARGES COLLECTED	13,517	40,550	162,200	25%

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G. PROJECTS NOT CHARGED TO MUNICIPAL CUSTOMERS

	MTD EXPENSES	YTD TOTAL	BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
95 Grant - Ruth Lake Decontamination Station <i>(\$100k Grant Funding + ReMatt Funds)</i>	31,304	145,287	223,475	65%
TOTAL NOT CHARGED TO CUSTOMERS	31,304	145,288	223,475	65%

PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT SUMMARY OF ALL ACTIVITY

CUSTOMER CHARGES	MTD	YTD	BUDGET	% BUDGET
<i>Treatment Facility Portion</i>	0	0	23,000	
<i>Reallocated Funds</i>	0	0	6,250	
TOTAL NON-GRANT FUNDED CAPITAL PROJECTS	0	0	363,750	0%
<i>Treatment Facility Portion</i>	0	0	0	
<i>Reallocated Funds</i>	0	0	194,750	
TOTAL EQUIPMENT & FIXED ASSET PROJECTS	16,372	17,016	146,300	12%
<i>Treatment Facility Portion</i>	26	1,083	63,200	
<i>Reallocated Funds</i>	0	0	0	
TOTAL MAINTENANCE PROJECTS	448,641	451,375	624,650	72%
<i>Treatment Facility Portion</i>	26	1,083	0	
<i>Reallocated Funds</i>	155,500	0	592,500	
TOTAL PROFESSIONAL/CONSULTING SERVICES	3,513	49,197	481,750	10%
TOTAL INDUSTRIAL SYSTEM PROJECTS	0	0	0	0
TOTAL ADVANCED CHARGES/DEBIT SERVICE	13,517	40,550	162,200	25%
<i>Treatment Facility Portion</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	
TOTAL CUSTOMER CHARGES	\$482,043	\$558,138	\$1,778,650	31%
NON-CUSTOMER CHARGES (CURRENT FY)	MTD	YTD	BUDGET	% BUDGET
TOTAL GRANT FUNDED CAPITAL PROJECTS	129,048	784,866	2,710,866	29%
TOTAL NON-CUSTOMER CHARGES	31,304	145,288	223,475	65%
TOTAL USE OF ENCUMBERED FUNDS	74,230	274,583	1,958,782	14%
TOTAL NON-CUSTOMER CHARGES	\$234,582	\$1,204,737	\$4,893,123	25%
GRAND TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET ACTIVITY	\$716,626	\$1,762,874	\$6,671,773	26%

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ENCUMBERED FUNDS RECONCILIATION REPORT
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	MTD	YTD	AMOUNT	
	EXPENSES	TOTAL	ENCUMBERED	REMAINING
B. CAPITAL PROJECTS - ENCUMBERED & REALLOCATED FROM FY26				
1E FY27 Isolation Valve Project (Add'l Encumbered Funds)	0	0	308,460	308,460
FY24 & FY25 Mainline Valve Replacement Program \$104,250				
FY25 Retaining Wall for Valve Access \$70,000				
FY25 Mainline Meter Flow Calibration \$14,210				
FY26 Mainline Valve Replacement Program \$100,000				
FY26 Pipeline Maintenance \$5,000				
FY26 TRF Limitorque Valve Retrofit Supplies \$15,000				
2E Peninsula Communications Options	0	0	42,000	42,000
3E Collector 4 Investigation & Repairs (Reallocated Funds, ADD'L Funds in FY27 Budget)	28,902	111,724	240,000	128,276
4E Collector 4 Transformer & Switchboard Replacement	0	0	98,914	98,914
5E Collector 4 Electrical Sub-Panel Replacements	0	0	14,250	14,250
6E Roof Replacement & Modifications to OSG Bldg.	0	3,062	12,428	9,366
C. EQUIPMENT & FIXED ASSET PROJECTS - ENCUMBERED & REALLOCATED				
7E Telemetry Radio and Antenna Replacement	0	0	14,000	14,000
8E Replace Hydro Plant PLC's	0	1,045	51,067	50,022
9E Replace Unit 7	0	587	1,000	413
10E Replace 35kW Generator	0	1,262	55,997	54,735
11E AC Units for Headquarters, Bunkhouse & Hydro Plant	5,573	5,573	10,750	5,177
12E Replace 35kW Standby Generator	0	0	1,000	1,000
13E Grant - Ruth Lake Decontamination Station	0	40,000	40,000	0
C. MAINTENANCE PROJECTS - ENCUMBERED & REALLOCATED				
14E TRF Valve Network Upgrade (Phase 2)	0	0	34,854	34,854
15E FY26 Main Line Meter Flow Calibration	0	5,628	15,404	9,776
16E FY26 Technical Support and Software Updates	200	983	23,755	22,772
17E FY26 Collector Lube Oil System Maintenance	0	1,655	4,500	2,845
18E FY26 Unit Compliance Testing	0	110	4,780	4,670
19E Production Flow Meter Calibrations	0	0	9,500	9,500
20E Line Shed 4 Roof Replacement	0	0	45,739	45,739
21E Maintenance Shop Roof Replacement	0	47,350	57,750	10,400
22E Equipment Storage Building Roof Replacement	0	0	1,957	1,957
23E Unit 2 and Unit 13 Engine Oil Leak Repairs	0	0	6,698	6,698
24E TRF Valve Network Upgrade (Phase 2)	0	0	54,794	54,794
25E Main Office Paint/Repairs/Fencing	0	636	7,920	7,284

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D. PROFESSIONAL & CONSULTING SERVICES - ENCUMBERED & REALLOCATED

26E	Prof. Consulting - Dam C.A. Part 12-D (Remaining Budget \$348,266)	766	3,967	623,266	619,299
	Prof. Consulting - Dam C.A. (Prior Reallocation \$50,000)				
	Prof. Consulting - Dam C.A. (Add'l Reallocation \$225,000)				
27E	Retail Rate Study	0	0	15,000	15,000
28E	FY26 Technical Training	18,110	19,085	17,866	(1,219)
29E	FY26 O & M Training	0	0	22,828	22,828
30E	FY26 Cross Connection Control Certification	0	0	2,305	2,305
31E	Instream Flow Assistance (Reallocated Funds)	737	4,028	20,000	15,972
32E	Samoa Peninsula ROW EIR Completion (Reallocated Funds)	19,942	27,886	100,000	72,114

ENCUMBERED FUNDS TOTAL

74,230

274,583

1,958,782

1,684,199

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HUMBOLDT BAY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

SUPPLEMENTAL - FIELDBROOK-GLENDALE CSD CONTRACT SERVICES

MONTHLY BILLING/EXPENSE REPORT

September-26

	Month-to-Date	Year-to-Date
Contract Services Billing		
Administrative	1,316.72	3,783.69
Indirect/Overhead	1,043.25	2,997.84
Maintenance/Operations/Supplies	37,483.62	98,421.63
Total FB-GCSD Billing	39,843.59	105,203.16
Contract Services Expenses		
Employee Wages	18,906.94	49,139.53
Employee Benefits	8,331.24	21,813.09
Operations & Maintenance Expenses	2,326.11	5,182.84
General & Administrative Expenses	634.83	4,926.57
Total FB-GCSD Expenses	30,199.12	81,062.03
NET Fieldbrook Contract Services	9,644.47	24,141.13

Vendor Name	Date Paid	Description	Amount Paid
101 NETLINK			
101 NETLINK	09/02/2026	<i>Ruth Data Link/Internet</i>	340.00
Total 101 NETLINK:			340.00
ACWA/JPIA			
ACWA/JPIA	09/21/2026	<i>COBRA Dental</i>	587.86
ACWA/JPIA	09/21/2026	<i>COBRA Vision</i>	92.80
ACWA/JPIA	09/21/2026	<i>RETIREE MEDICAL</i>	15,539.72
Total ACWA/JPIA:			16,220.38
Amazon Capital Services			
Amazon Capital Services	09/14/2026	<i>Safety items for OSHG pump skid room</i>	524.89
Amazon Capital Services	09/14/2026	<i>Safety items for OSHG pump skid room</i>	19.53
Amazon Capital Services	09/14/2026	<i>Keyboard</i>	157.10
Total Amazon Capital Services:			701.52
ATS Communications, Inc.			
ATS Communications, Inc.	09/14/2026	<i>3 Laptops for Admin Staff</i>	13,124.55
ATS Communications, Inc.	09/14/2026	<i>IT and software maintenance subscriptions and support</i>	4,913.00
ATS Communications, Inc.	09/14/2026	<i>OPS Desktop Computer</i>	3,247.76
Total ATS Communications, Inc.:			21,285.31
C & K Johnson Industries, Inc			
C & K Johnson Industries, Inc	09/30/2026	<i>Pipe for chlorine solution line repairs</i>	3,078.12
Total C & K Johnson Industries, Inc:			3,078.12
CalPERS			
CalPERS	09/11/2026	<i>Social Security Administration 218-Annual Fee</i>	90.00
CalPERS	09/30/2026	<i>GASB-68 Reports and Schedules</i>	350.00
Total CalPERS:			440.00
Campora Propane Service			
Campora Propane Service	09/30/2026	<i>Ruth Lake Decontamination Station</i>	5,637.34
Total Campora Propane Service:			5,637.34
City of Eureka			
City of Eureka	09/14/2026	<i>Eureka office water/sewer</i>	176.85
Total City of Eureka:			176.85
CivicPlus LLC			
CivicPlus LLC	09/30/2026	<i>Website Maintenance Membership Fee FY26/27</i>	9,072.00

Vendor Name	Date Paid	Description	Amount Paid
Total CivicPlus LLC:			9,072.00
Coastal Business Systems Inc.			
Coastal Business Systems Inc.	09/02/2026	Eureka office copy and fax machine	826.88
Coastal Business Systems Inc.	09/02/2026	Essex copy/fax machine	295.68
Coastal Business Systems Inc.	09/30/2026	Eureka office copy and fax machine	826.88
Coastal Business Systems Inc.	09/30/2026	Essex copy/fax machine	295.68
Coastal Business Systems Inc.	09/30/2026	2026 Property Tax	243.50
Total Coastal Business Systems Inc.:			2,488.62
Corey Borghino			
Corey Borghino	09/14/2026	Petty Cash-Board Mtg Refreshments	16.99
Corey Borghino	09/14/2026	Petty Cash-Employee Recognition	38.73
Corey Borghino	09/14/2026	Petty Cash-Ruth Lake Basket Donation	22.04
Corey Borghino	09/14/2026	Petty Cash-Employee Recognition	4.14
Corey Borghino	09/14/2026	Petty Cash-Scans of large documents	36.00
Corey Borghino	09/14/2026	Petty Cash-Board Mtg Refreshments	41.75
Corey Borghino	09/14/2026	Petty Cash-Employee Recognition	22.93
Total Corey Borghino:			182.58
CPS HR Consulting			
CPS HR Consulting	09/14/2026	GM Performance Appraisal Contract #26-1258	195.00
Total CPS HR Consulting:			195.00
Eureka Oxygen			
Eureka Oxygen	09/14/2026	cylinder rental	137.20
Total Eureka Oxygen:			137.20
Eureka Readymix			
Eureka Readymix	09/14/2026	Sand for Ruth Decontamination Station	570.54
Eureka Readymix	09/14/2026	Essex landscaping material	252.35
Eureka Readymix	09/14/2026	Base rock for Ruth Decontamination Station	556.67
Total Eureka Readymix:			1,379.56
Eureka-Humboldt Fire Ext.,Co, Inc			
Eureka-Humboldt Fire Ext.,Co, Inc	09/14/2026	Co2 Fire Extinguisher	1,301.74
Eureka-Humboldt Fire Ext.,Co, Inc	09/14/2026	Co2 Fire Extinguisher	433.91
Eureka-Humboldt Fire Ext.,Co, Inc	09/14/2026	SCBA Hydro Testing	118.00
Eureka-Humboldt Fire Ext.,Co, Inc	09/14/2026	Annual Fire Extinguisher Service and Inspection - TRF	358.20
Eureka-Humboldt Fire Ext.,Co, Inc	09/14/2026	Annual Fire Extinguisher Service and Inspection - FBGCS	122.46
Eureka-Humboldt Fire Ext.,Co, Inc	09/14/2026	Annual Fire Extinguisher Service and Inspection - TRF	776.38
Eureka-Humboldt Fire Ext.,Co, Inc	09/14/2026	Annual Fire Extinguisher Service and Inspection - Essex	1,805.11

Vendor Name	Date Paid	Description	Amount Paid
Total Eureka-Humboldt Fire Ext.,Co, Inc:			4,915.80
Frontier Communications			
Frontier Communications	09/02/2026	Ruth HQ	102.25
Frontier Communications	09/02/2026	Ruth Hydro/Ruth Dataline	361.84
Frontier Communications	09/30/2026	Ruth HQ	102.41
Frontier Communications	09/30/2026	Ruth Hydro/Ruth Dataline	361.63
Total Frontier Communications:			928.13
G3 Engineering, Inc.			
G3 Engineering, Inc.	09/08/2026	OSHG annual maintenence	7,305.24
Total G3 Engineering, Inc.:			7,305.24
GEI Consultants, Inc			
GEI Consultants, Inc	09/08/2026	Advanced Assistance Seismic Spillway - GRANT #25-1814	37,457.28
GEI Consultants, Inc	09/08/2026	Advanced Assistance Seismic Spillway - GRANT #25-1814	45,756.48
GEI Consultants, Inc	09/30/2026	Advanced Assistance Seismic Spillway - GRANT #25-1814	54,196.79
GEI Consultants, Inc	09/30/2026	Advanced Assistance Seismic Spillway - GRANT #25-1814	47,075.75
GEI Consultants, Inc	09/30/2026	CDSE Consultant Services #26-0131	766.00
Total GEI Consultants, Inc:			185,252.30
GHD			
GHD	09/14/2026	Instream Flow Assistance 26-1391	737.41
GHD	09/14/2026	GIS Project #26-1098	2,022.38
GHD	09/14/2026	General Engineering - Grant App Assistance	1,012.00
GHD	09/14/2026	General Engineering - Samoa Peninsula ROW EIR	791.00
GHD	09/30/2026	Samoa Peninsula ROW EIR #23-0625	19,150.78
Total GHD:			23,713.57
Health Equity Inc			
Health Equity Inc	09/11/2026	HSA Admin Fee Sept 2026 - 17 employees	50.15
Health Equity Inc	09/11/2026	HSA Admin Fee Sept 2026 - 6 employees	17.70
Total Health Equity Inc:			67.85
Hensel Hardware			
Hensel Hardware	09/02/2026	Painting supplies	32.80
Hensel Hardware	09/14/2026	OSHG Supplies	18.22
Hensel Hardware	09/14/2026	Silicon for TRF sludge bed repairs	88.16
Hensel Hardware	09/14/2026	Esses shop supplies	51.78
Hensel Hardware	09/14/2026	Plumbing parts for Ruth Lake Decontamination Station	86.94
Hensel Hardware	09/14/2026	Materials for Ruth Decontamination Station	25.10
Hensel Hardware	09/14/2026	Esses shop supplies	115.70

Vendor Name	Date Paid	Description	Amount Paid
Total Hensel Hardware:			418.70
Hensell Materials			
Hensell Materials	09/14/2026	Sika for Spillway repairs	209.43
Hensell Materials	09/14/2026	Spillway repairs	281.58
Hensell Materials	09/14/2026	Caulking for Spillway Repairs	607.38
Total Hensell Materials:			1,098.39
Henwood Associates, Inc			
Henwood Associates, Inc	09/02/2026	Consultant Services Agreement- July 2026	428.15
Total Henwood Associates, Inc:			428.15
Humboldt County Treasurer			
Humboldt County Treasurer	09/14/2026	Capital Financing Project	45,611.43
Total Humboldt County Treasurer:			45,611.43
Humboldt Fasteners			
Humboldt Fasteners	09/14/2026	Saw blades, concrete bits and concrete anchors	73.15
Total Humboldt Fasteners:			73.15
Humboldt Redwood Company, LLC			
Humboldt Redwood Company, LLC	09/30/2026	Mt Pierce Lease site - Sept 2026	346.74
Total Humboldt Redwood Company, LLC:			346.74
JTN Energy, LLC			
JTN Energy, LLC	09/02/2026	Consultant Services Agreement - July 2026	428.15
Total JTN Energy, LLC:			428.15
Keenan Supply			
Keenan Supply	09/14/2026	PVC Inventory	76.54
Keenan Supply	09/14/2026	PVC Inventory	37.04
Keenan Supply	09/14/2026	Ruth decontamination system water line	146.48
Total Keenan Supply:			260.06
Kiser Construction			
Kiser Construction	09/30/2026	Remove stumps for Ruth Lake Decontamination Station	10,090.00
Total Kiser Construction:			10,090.00
McKinleyville Ace Hardware			
McKinleyville Ace Hardware	09/30/2026	Morris pump station roof cleaning	22.50

Vendor Name	Date Paid	Description	Amount Paid
Total McKinleyville Ace Hardware:			22.50
Microbac Laboratories, Inc			
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/02/2026	Lab Tests - Humboldt Bay Retail	135.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/02/2026	Lab Tests - Humboldt Bay Retail	120.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/02/2026	Lab Tests - Humboldt Bay Retail	120.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/02/2026	Lab Tests - FBGCSD	120.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/02/2026	Lab Tests - FBGCSD	120.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/02/2026	Lab Tests - FBGCSD	120.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/02/2026	Lab Tests - Humboldt Bay Retail	120.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/30/2026	Lab Tests - Humboldt Bay Retail	120.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/30/2026	Lab Tests - FBGCSD	120.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/30/2026	Lab Tests - Humboldt Bay Retail	130.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/30/2026	Lab Tests - Humboldt Bay Retail	78.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/30/2026	Lab Tests - FBGCSD	120.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/30/2026	Lab Tests - Humboldt Bay Retail	120.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/30/2026	Lab Tests - FBGCSD	676.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/30/2026	Lab Tests - FBGCSD	287.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/30/2026	Lab Tests - Humboldt Bay Retail	287.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/30/2026	Lab Tests - FBGCSD	120.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/30/2026	Lab Tests - Humboldt Bay Retail	330.00
Microbac Laboratories, Inc	09/30/2026	Lab Tests - Humboldt Bay Retail	305.00
Total Microbac Laboratories, Inc:			3,548.00
Mission Linen			
Mission Linen	09/02/2026	maintenance supplies & uniform rentals	6.91
Mission Linen	09/02/2026	maintenance supplies & uniform rentals	40.95
Mission Linen	09/02/2026	maintenance supplies & uniform rentals	27.56
Mission Linen	09/02/2026	maintenance supplies & uniform rentals	95.99
Mission Linen	09/02/2026	maintenance supplies & uniform rentals	64.22
Mission Linen	09/02/2026	maintenance supplies & uniform rentals	156.72
Mission Linen	09/02/2026	maintenance supplies & uniform rentals	158.80
Mission Linen	09/02/2026	maintenance supplies & uniform rentals	44.33
Mission Linen	09/02/2026	maintenance supplies & uniform rentals	79.40
Mission Linen	09/02/2026	maintenance supplies & uniform rentals	95.99
Mission Linen	09/02/2026	maintenance supplies & uniform rentals	50.32
Mission Linen	09/02/2026	maintenance supplies & uniform rentals	79.40
Mission Linen	09/02/2026	maintenance supplies & uniform rentals	95.99
Mission Linen	09/02/2026	maintenance supplies & uniform rentals	52.55
Mission Linen	09/02/2026	maintenance supplies & uniform rentals	109.77
Total Mission Linen:			1,158.90
NAPA AUTO PARTS			
NAPA AUTO PARTS	09/30/2026	Supplies for Ruth Lake Decontamination Station	77.45
NAPA AUTO PARTS	09/30/2026	Sales Tax added - Ruth Lake Decontamination Station	7.94
NAPA AUTO PARTS	09/30/2026	Sales Tax Payable	7.94-

Vendor Name	Date Paid	Description	Amount Paid
NAPA AUTO PARTS	09/14/2026	WWR basin parts	57.98
NAPA AUTO PARTS	09/14/2026	Materials for Ruth Lake Decontamination Station	29.96
Total NAPA AUTO PARTS:			165.39
NCBPA			
NCBPA	09/14/2026	Workshop Backflow Tester Aug 20-21, 2026 - 2 employee	1,390.00
Total NCBPA:			1,390.00
North Coast Unified Air Quality Mgt Dist			
North Coast Unified Air Quality Mgt	09/14/2026	2 MW Generator Annual Permit #000448-2	1,932.67
North Coast Unified Air Quality Mgt	09/14/2026	Essex Portable Emergency Pump Annual Permit #001058	737.82
North Coast Unified Air Quality Mgt	09/14/2026	Essex Emergency Standby Generator Annual Permit #00	737.86
North Coast Unified Air Quality Mgt	09/14/2026	Ruth Hydro Emergency Generator Annual Permit #00090	737.89
North Coast Unified Air Quality Mgt	09/14/2026	TRF Emergency Generator Annual Permit #001057-2	1,063.36
North Coast Unified Air Quality Mgt	09/30/2026	Initial Permit Fee for new standby generator at Essex	1,085.00
North Coast Unified Air Quality Mgt	09/30/2026	Initial Permit Fee for new standby generator at Ruth	1,085.00
Total North Coast Unified Air Quality Mgt Dist:			7,379.60
Optimum			
Optimum	09/03/2026	Essex internet	280.56
Optimum	09/03/2026	Essex Phones	87.30
Optimum	09/03/2026	Eureka Internet	210.95
Optimum	09/03/2026	Fieldbrook-Glendale CSD Internet	408.93
Optimum	09/03/2026	TRF Internet	36.27
Optimum	09/03/2026	TRF Internet - Blue Lake SCADA Monitoring	72.52
Optimum	09/03/2026	TRF Internet - Fieldbrook-Glendale CSD	72.52
Total Optimum:			1,169.05
Orion Technical Solutions, LLC			
Orion Technical Solutions, LLC	09/08/2026	4 Day Instrumentation and Control Training	13,900.00
Total Orion Technical Solutions, LLC:			13,900.00
PACE Engineering, Inc.			
PACE Engineering, Inc.	09/30/2026	TRF Generator Project	9,978.50
Total PACE Engineering, Inc.:			9,978.50
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.			
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	09/08/2026	Eureka Office	87.66
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	09/08/2026	Jackson Ranch Rd Rectifier	20.52
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	09/08/2026	HWY 299 Rectifier	50.06
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	09/08/2026	West End Road Rectifier	33.45
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	09/08/2026	TRF	5,010.23
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	09/08/2026	Ruth Hydro Valve Control	49.00

Vendor Name	Date Paid	Description	Amount Paid
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	09/08/2026	<i>Ruth Hydro</i>	95.45
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	09/08/2026	<i>Samoa Booster Pump Station</i>	4,561.32
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	09/08/2026	<i>Samoa Dial Station</i>	70.97
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	09/14/2026	<i>Essex Pumping Aug 2026</i>	1,030.57
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	09/14/2026	<i>Essex Pumping Aug 2026</i>	2,062.43
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	09/14/2026	<i>Essex Pumping Aug 2026</i>	80,383.14
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	09/28/2026	<i>Ruth Bunk House</i>	123.80
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	09/28/2026	<i>Ruth HQ</i>	120.81
Total Pacific Gas & Electric Co.:			93,699.41
Paso Robles Tank, Inc.			
Paso Robles Tank, Inc.	09/11/2026	<i>Samoa Res Seismic Retrofit #25-0755</i>	119,069.36
Total Paso Robles Tank, Inc.:			119,069.36
Pierson Building Center			
Pierson Building Center	09/14/2026	<i>Caulking for Ruth Cabin</i>	20.15
Total Pierson Building Center:			20.15
Pitney Bowes Global Financial Services			
Pitney Bowes Global Financial Servi	09/28/2026	<i>red ink cartridge</i>	124.44
Pitney Bowes Global Financial Servi	09/02/2026	<i>postage meter lease - Jul 20 - Oct 19 2026</i>	209.72
Total Pitney Bowes Global Financial Services:			334.16
Platt Electric Supply			
Platt Electric Supply	09/14/2026	<i>Ruth Hydro exterior light</i>	339.22
Platt Electric Supply	09/14/2026	<i>Ruth Lake Decontamination Station</i>	732.81
Platt Electric Supply	09/14/2026	<i>Ruth Lake Decontamination Station</i>	12,433.81
Platt Electric Supply	09/14/2026	<i>Ruth Lake Decontamination Station</i>	100.90
Platt Electric Supply	09/14/2026	<i>Ruth HQ AC Installation</i>	201.80
Total Platt Electric Supply:			13,808.54
Purchase Power			
Purchase Power	09/02/2026	<i>Postage Refill</i>	502.25
Purchase Power	09/30/2026	<i>Postage Refill</i>	502.25
Total Purchase Power:			1,004.50
Recology Arcata			
Recology Arcata	09/14/2026	<i>Essex Garbage/Recycling Service - Aug 2026</i>	896.55
Recology Arcata	09/14/2026	<i>Essex Garbage/Recycling Service - July 2026 - Retroactiv</i>	30.38
Total Recology Arcata:			926.93

Vendor Name	Date Paid	Description	Amount Paid
Recology Humboldt County			
Recology Humboldt County	09/14/2026	Eureka office garbage/recycling service - Aug 2026	130.44
Recology Humboldt County	09/14/2026	Eureka office garbage/recycling service - July 2026 - Retr	9.98
Total Recology Humboldt County:			140.42
REDVECTOR.COM			
REDVECTOR.COM	09/14/2026	Vector Solutions Technical Training Platform 1 year	4,210.00
Total REDVECTOR.COM:			4,210.00
Safe and Sound Security			
Safe and Sound Security	09/02/2026	Monthly help desk/tech support for Dam cameras	67.97
Total Safe and Sound Security:			67.97
SAK Construction, LLC			
SAK Construction, LLC	09/14/2026	Dewatering Equipment Rental	3,000.00
Total SAK Construction, LLC:			3,000.00
Samoa Pacific Group			
Samoa Pacific Group	09/14/2026	Public meeting about Samoa Dunes EIR - Remaining Bal	150.00
Total Samoa Pacific Group:			150.00
Tehama Tire Service			
Tehama Tire Service	09/14/2026	Tires	529.92
Total Tehama Tire Service:			529.92
The Mill Yard			
The Mill Yard	09/14/2026	Ruth spillway davit installation	75.54
The Mill Yard	09/14/2026	Ruth Lake Decontamination Station	74.09
The Mill Yard	09/30/2026	Marking paint	41.84
The Mill Yard	09/30/2026	Buckets	23.12
Total The Mill Yard:			214.59
The Mitchell Law Firm, LLP			
The Mitchell Law Firm, LLP	09/14/2026	Legal Services- July 2026	1,061.00
The Mitchell Law Firm, LLP	09/14/2026	Legal Services- July 2026 - Ruth	387.50
The Mitchell Law Firm, LLP	09/14/2026	Legal Services- Aug 2026	511.50
The Mitchell Law Firm, LLP	09/14/2026	Legal Services- Aug 2026 - Grant Application Asst	217.00
The Mitchell Law Firm, LLP	09/14/2026	Legal Services- Aug 2026 - Ruth	124.00
Total The Mitchell Law Firm, LLP:			2,301.00

Vendor Name	Date Paid	Description	Amount Paid
Transene Company			
Transene Company	09/30/2026	TRF chemical supplies	297.91
Total Transene Company:			297.91
Trinity County General Services			
Trinity County General Services	09/14/2026	Pickett Peak site lease - Oct 2026	265.23
Total Trinity County General Services:			265.23
Trinity County Solid Waste			
Trinity County Solid Waste	09/02/2026	Ruth HQ dump fees	36.50
Trinity County Solid Waste	09/02/2026	Ruth Hydro dump fees	36.50
Trinity County Solid Waste	09/30/2026	Ruth HQ dump fees	25.75
Trinity County Solid Waste	09/30/2026	Ruth Hydro dump fees	25.75
Total Trinity County Solid Waste:			124.50
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment System			
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	AC Unit for Hydro Plant	199.00
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Ruth Supplies	184.99
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Switchgear Breaker	597.63
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Disposal Fee	234.00
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Vertical safety lines	83.20
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Employee Recognition	26.65
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Essex office supplies	98.33
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Tubing for WWB repairs	483.00
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Distilled water	35.63
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Turbo Cad for Laptop	199.99
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Essex Office Supplies	141.07
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	TRF Lab Samples	6.49
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Spendwise Monthly Subscription	90.00
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Snacks for Watershed Plane Ride	66.56
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Ruth Lake Festival Donation	137.82
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Advanced Crisis Management Training	975.00
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Testing for AMES and Maintenance Worker job recruitm	115.00
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Shipping Charges	25.80
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Test for AMES Candidate	135.00
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Food/drinks for trainings	71.20
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Food/drinks for trainings	9.99
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Ruth Lake Festival Donation	34.05
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Lunch for training	133.41
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Ruth Lake Festival Donation	13.23
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Lunch for training	224.63
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Laser Checks for AP	488.20
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Ruth Lake Festival Donation	33.04
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Lunch for training	50.10
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Annual Dropbox Plus account	119.88
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Supplies for Ruth	52.66

Vendor Name	Date Paid	Description	Amount Paid
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	55 Gal Drum Truck	482.68
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Ruth supplies	38.93
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Safety vests	183.47
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Employee purchase - to be reimbursed	48.23
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Claude Pro 1 Month Subscription	20.00
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Annual Subscription to Claude AI	180.65
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Resilient California Summit	390.00
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Hotal for travel to meeting	92.40
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	AC Unit for Ruth Hydro Plant	5,371.49
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Ruth Supplies	24.24
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment Syste	09/30/2026	Refund warranty	199.36-
Total U.S. Bank Corporate Payment System:			11,698.28
United Rentals (North America), Inc			
United Rentals (North America), Inc	09/14/2026	Rental Equipment for Ruth Lake Decontamination Statio	880.53
Total United Rentals (North America), Inc:			880.53
US Security Supply			
US Security Supply	09/02/2026	Padlocks	1,034.60
Total US Security Supply:			1,034.60
VALEO Networks			
VALEO Networks	09/02/2026	Final Bill for transision work from Valeo to ATS	569.16
Total VALEO Networks:			569.16
Valley Pacific Petroleum Serv. Inc			
Valley Pacific Petroleum Serv. Inc	09/14/2026	Cardlock-Pumping & Control	673.17
Valley Pacific Petroleum Serv. Inc	09/14/2026	Cardlock-Water Quality	673.17
Valley Pacific Petroleum Serv. Inc	09/14/2026	Cardlock-Maintenance	673.17
Valley Pacific Petroleum Serv. Inc	09/14/2026	Cardlock-HB Retail	175.03
Valley Pacific Petroleum Serv. Inc	09/14/2026	Cardlock-FBGCS	498.15
Valley Pacific Petroleum Serv. Inc	09/30/2026	Sorbent Pads for inventory	248.08
Total Valley Pacific Petroleum Serv. Inc:			2,940.77
Verizon Wireless			
Verizon Wireless	09/01/2026	General Manager	52.01
Verizon Wireless	09/01/2026	Humboldt Bay Retail	13.53
Verizon Wireless	09/01/2026	Fieldbrook Glendale CSD	38.49
Verizon Wireless	09/01/2026	Humboldt Bay IPAD	9.88
Verizon Wireless	09/01/2026	Fieldbrook Glendale CSD IPAD	28.13
Verizon Wireless	09/01/2026	Ruth Area	13.68
Verizon Wireless	09/01/2026	Ruth Hydro	13.68
Verizon Wireless	09/30/2026	General Manager	52.16
Verizon Wireless	09/30/2026	Humboldt Bay Retail	13.56

Vendor Name	Date Paid	Description	Amount Paid
Verizon Wireless	09/30/2026	Fieldbrook Glendale CSD	38.61
Verizon Wireless	09/30/2026	Humboldt Bay IPAD	9.88
Verizon Wireless	09/30/2026	Fieldbrook Glendale CSD IPAD	28.13
Verizon Wireless	09/30/2026	Ruth Area	13.04
Verizon Wireless	09/30/2026	Ruth Hydro	13.04
Total Verizon Wireless:			337.82
Voss Laboratories, Inc			
Voss Laboratories, Inc	09/02/2026	Collector 4 Evaluation #27-0008	24,557.38
Voss Laboratories, Inc	09/30/2026	Collector 4 Evaluation #27-0008	1,345.00
Total Voss Laboratories, Inc:			25,902.38
Watt's Cleaning Services			
Watt's Cleaning Services	09/14/2026	Eureka Office Cleaning 8/5 & 8/19/26	278.00
Total Watt's Cleaning Services:			278.00
Grand Totals:			664,790.21

BOARD STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date	October 8, 2026
Type of Meeting	Regular Business Session
Agenda Item No.	3.4
Agenda Item	Cal OES Request for Immediate Obligation of Pending California Disaster Recovery Funding
Presented By	Michiko Mares, P.E., General Manager
Type of Item	INFORMATIONAL
Type of Action	NONE
Applicable Board Policy	Not Applicable

RECOMMENDATION

No action is recommended to the Board of Directors at this time. This report is provided for Board information regarding the California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services’ (Cal OES) July 3, 2026 request that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) prioritize the review and obligation of pending disaster recovery funding for California.

BACKGROUND

On July 3, 2026, Cal OES Director Caroline Thomas Jacobs sent a letter to Robert J. Fenton, Jr., Senior Official Performing the Duties of FEMA Administrator, expressing concern regarding delays affecting FEMA disaster assistance obligations for California. The letter followed FEMA’s July 2, 2026 announcement of more than \$1.4 billion in Public Assistance (PA), Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), and Individual Assistance (IA) funding approvals nationwide, which did not include California project obligations.

Cal OES requested that FEMA Headquarters prioritize the immediate review and obligation of California’s pending PA, HMGP, and IA funding. If the funds cannot be released immediately, Cal OES requested an explanation for the delays, the legal authority supporting the delayed action, and anticipated timelines for obligation and release of the pending funds.

DISCUSSION

The Cal OES letter describes a substantial backlog of federal disaster recovery and mitigation funding affecting projects throughout California and emphasizes the importance of timely federal funding to local agencies and critical infrastructure providers.

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

According to Cal OES, California has not received any new FEMA HMGP obligations since July 2025, and approximately \$2.01 billion in HMGP funding remains pending federal review across 301 subapplications and projects. Cal OES states that delays in obligating these funds prevent critical mitigation projects from moving forward and postpone investments intended to reduce future disaster risk.

Public Assistance Funding

Cal OES reports that approximately \$3 billion in FEMA Public Assistance funding across 18 disasters remains pending Department of Homeland Security Headquarters and Congressional review despite receiving regional approval. The letter specifically requests prioritization of Los Angeles wildfire recovery projects and other Public Assistance Categories C through F projects, which include roads and bridges, water control facilities, buildings and equipment, and utilities.

Water and Utility Infrastructure

The letter highlights the effects of delayed FEMA funding on public water and wastewater systems. Cal OES notes that recovery funding delays can require local water providers to rely on emergency reserves while postponing repairs and investments needed to restore safe drinking water, strengthen fire protection capabilities, and improve resilience. The letter also identifies delayed Public Assistance funding for northern California utility infrastructure damaged during the 2023 Winter Storms.

Timing and Project Costs

Cal OES notes that infrastructure projects often depend on limited seasonal construction windows. Funding delays can push engineering, heavy civil work, and utility restoration outside optimal summer and dry-season periods, potentially resulting in construction delays, demobilization and remobilization costs, contractor overhead, and higher overall project costs.

DISTRICT RELEVANCE

Although the July 3 letter does not identify a specific Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District project, the issues raised are relevant to the District as a public water agency that may rely on federal disaster recovery and hazard mitigation programs following eligible disasters. Timely FEMA review and obligation of funding can affect an agency's ability to restore damaged infrastructure, maintain financial capacity, and advance projects that improve the resilience of critical water facilities.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no direct fiscal impact associated with receiving this informational report. The Cal OES letter addresses statewide federal disaster recovery and mitigation funding and does not identify a specific funding obligation to the District.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Cal OES Letter to FEMA, Request for Immediate Obligation of Pending California Disaster Recovery Funding, July 3, 2026



July 3, 2026

Robert J. Fenton, Jr.
Senior Official Performing the Duties of FEMA Administrator
Federal Emergency Management Agency
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Via: Tammy Littrell, Deputy Regional Administrator
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U.S. Department of Homeland Security
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Subject: Request for Immediate Obligation of Pending California Disaster
Recovery Funding

Dear Senior Official Performing the Duties of FEMA Administrator Robert J. Fenton, Jr.:

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) writes to express serious concern regarding continued delays affecting FEMA disaster assistance obligations for California and the absence of California projects from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) July 2, 2026, announcement regarding more than \$1.4 billion in Public Assistance (PA), Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), and Individual Assistance (IA) funding approvals nationwide.

While FEMA announced significant recovery and mitigation investments supporting communities across the country, California, despite facing some of the nation's most catastrophic and costly disasters, received no HMGP, PA or IA project obligations in the announcement. The omission of California from this announcement directly impacts Americans who are residents and survivors that



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continue working to recover from catastrophic disasters and prepare for future emergencies.

Federal disaster funding is vital for states and local communities to strengthen preparedness, support long-term recovery, and reduce future disaster risk. Hazard mitigation funding remains essential to helping communities complete wildfire mitigation, infrastructure hardening, and resilience projects before the next disaster occurs.

California has not received any new FEMA HMGP obligations since July 2025. Additionally, approximately \$2.01 billion in HMGP funding remains pending federal review across 301 subapplications and projects. In the six Calendar Years (CY) from 2019 through 2024, FEMA approved an average of 111 Hazard Mitigation Projects per year. In CY 2025, FEMA approved only 33 projects, and four of these were Legislative Pre-Disaster Mitigation (LPDM, aka, Congressionally Directed Spending) projects. Aside from the LPDM projects, FEMA has not awarded a project with federal cost share over \$1 million since July 10, 2025. Until outstanding funds are obligated, critical mitigation projects cannot move forward, delaying both recovery and long-term resilience efforts.

The consequences of these delays are already being felt. In the City of Rancho Palos Verdes, four HMGP subapplications totaling approximately \$121 million remain pending despite urgent public safety needs. These projects include landslide stabilization measures and home acquisitions in areas experiencing significant ground movement. Following a shift from prolonged drought conditions to severe rainfall, landslide activity accelerated dramatically, worsening an already hazardous situation. Timely FEMA funding is critical to allow the City to complete infrastructure stabilization efforts and begin property acquisitions needed to protect residents and reduce future disaster costs.

Under the 2025 Los Angeles wildfire HMGP allocation alone, 51 subapplications totaling approximately \$87 million remain at FEMA Headquarters pending final obligation review, despite having cleared programmatic review and being ready for award. These projects provide critical capacity for permitting, inspections, code enforcement, and resilient rebuilding in wildfire-impacted American communities. Until funding is released, local governments cannot fully scale recovery operations, thousands of homeowners face longer timelines to rebuild and return home, and communities remain more vulnerable to future disasters. Pending obligations include Los Angeles County Public Health (\$23.8 million), Public Works (\$19.8 million), the Fire Department (\$17.8 million), the City

of Malibu (\$14.7 million), the City of Los Angeles (\$9.1 million), and the County Department of Economic Opportunity (\$1.8 million).

The scale of pending Home Hardening funding in California's wildfire-exposed jurisdictions warrant immediate FEMA action. More than \$661.4 million is pending in Los Angeles County across 63 projects, alongside approximately \$187.4 million in San Bernardino County, \$91.5 million in Kern County, \$43.4 million in Shasta County, \$41.6 million in Placer County, \$35.1 million in Siskiyou County, and \$23.5 million in El Dorado County—all strong, mostly rural American communities. Additional investments remain stalled in Calaveras County, Plumas County, Tulare County, Tuolumne County, and Modoc County, where even smaller awards can have outsized impacts in these American rural, high-fire-severity communities. In Plumas County, a wildfire mitigation project designed to harden 64 homes and create defensible space for approximately 150 seniors and disabled residents relied on both FEMA and Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding. Although the project was ready for implementation, delays in the FEMA award process prevented the County from accessing \$550,000 in matching HUD funds. As a result, the County is now evaluating withdrawal of the project due to the loss of critical implementation funding.

Similarly, a shovel-ready seismic retrofit project at Kern Valley Hospital, in Kern County, valued at approximately \$32 million, including \$23 million in federal funding, remains awaiting obligation. The project would strengthen the only acute care and emergency medical facility serving more than 25,000 residents in this remote region of Kern County and help ensure the hospital remains operational following a major earthquake. Unlike many hazards, earthquakes occur without warning, leaving little or no time for communities to prepare once an event begins. Delayed funding prolongs the community's exposure to seismic risk, threatens continuity of emergency and acute medical care, and postpones investments specifically designed to protect lives and maintain critical services when they are needed most.

Additionally, approximately \$3 billion in FEMA PA funding across 18 disasters is still pending DHS Headquarters and Congressional review despite receiving regional approval. Despite repeated requests for prioritization of Los Angeles wildfire recovery projects, one of the State's most recent disasters, Cal OES has received no clear timeline regarding release of these funds.

FEMA funding delays are slowing the recovery of houses of worship and faith-based institutions that serve as the social and spiritual backbone of wildfire-impacted communities. Dozens of churches, synagogues, religious schools, and

daycare facilities were damaged or destroyed in the wildfires of Los Angeles. Many of these institutions support congregations that also lost homes, businesses, and livelihoods, making them vital centers of stability and recovery. Months after the disaster, some congregations remain displaced and continue to operate from temporary locations while awaiting funding needed to rebuild. The impact is evident across some of the hardest communities hit by the fires. In the Palisades Fire footprint, critical assistance remains delayed for impacted Jewish and Christian institutions, including the Pacific Palisades Presbyterian Church. Concurrently, across the Eaton Fire zone in Altadena and Pasadena, recovery momentum has stalled for vital community anchors such as the Pasadena Jewish Temple & Center, Altadena Baptist Church, St. Mark's Episcopal Church, and Lifeline Fellowship Christian Center in West Altadena—a historic cornerstone of the local African American community led by Bishop Charles Dorsey—remains completely displaced after its sanctuary was entirely leveled. The Pasadena Jewish Temple and Center lost its campus and anticipates years of recovery before it can return to a permanent home. Similarly, St. Mark's Episcopal Church and School campus, which has served its community for more than a century, sustained extensive damage across its worship, educational, and community facilities. Delayed federal funding prolongs displacement, slows reconstruction, increases the cost of reconstruction and recovery, and delays the restoration of essential spaces that help communities heal and rebuild after disaster, further fracturing the vital interfaith networks that serve as the bedrock of community-wide recovery.

The continued withholding of these federal recovery dollars uniquely harms historically interconnected diaspora populations, most notably the region's extensive Armenian American community. The January 2025 Eaton Fire completely leveled the Sahag-Mesrob Armenian Christian School in Altadena—a vital cultural and educational anchor since 1980—leaving hundreds of students displaced, while simultaneously destroying the homes of more than 100 local Armenian American families. While regional spiritual anchors like St. Sarkis Armenian Apostolic Church and the AGBU Pasadena Center have stretched their own resources to capacity to provide temporary classrooms and humanitarian aid hubs, the lack of dedicated, expedited PA funding severely restricts the community's ability to permanently rebuild. Delaying these funds forces a community carrying deep historical trauma to remain in a prolonged state of displacement, stalling the restoration of essential educational and cultural lifelines.

Beyond community displacement, FEMA funding delays are slowing the recovery of critical water systems damaged in the Los Angeles wildfires. While

communities have completed emergency work and submitted recovery projects, FEMA funding has not reached local water providers. As a result, recovery efforts are delayed, emergency reserves have been depleted, financial pressures on residents and water districts continue to grow, and critical investments needed to restore safe drinking water, strengthen fire protection capabilities, and improve resilience against future disasters are now at risk.

The LA wildfires alone impacted 11 distinct public community water and wastewater networks across Los Angeles County, forcing smaller mutual systems like the Las Flores Water Company to lose up to 75 percent of their revenue due to near-total physical infrastructure loss. In one of the communities hardest hit by the fire, Altadena, more than \$10 million in pending FEMA funding remains unavailable for projects that would rebuild damaged reservoirs, restore pumping and water delivery capacity, repair damaged facilities, and reimburse costs incurred to provide emergency drinking water and maintain essential water services following the fires. Furthermore, emergency repairs to critical storage assets, such as the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power's (LADWP) Santa Ynez Reservoir floating cover and local storage tanks, require long-term capital stabilization. Without the immediate release of approved PA funding, these severely impacted municipal and mutual water districts cannot advance essential water resiliency plans, replace vulnerable pipelines, or build out seismically resilient distribution networks, leaving hundreds of thousands of residents vulnerable to compromised drinking water and diminished fire-flow capacity.

Furthermore, the federal funding backlog directly compromises the stabilization of the LA region's healthcare safety net, which was pushed to the brink of collapse during the January 2025 Fires. While major acute care centers—including Providence St. Joseph's Health Center in Santa Monica and USC Verdugo Hills Hospital in Glendale—narrowly avoided catastrophic evacuations, frontline community medical infrastructure was completely decimated. The Providence St. Joseph's Medical Center in the Palisades Fire footprint and the AltaMed Medical Group facility in Pasadena were entirely leveled, cutting off primary and pediatric care for thousands of residents. Additionally, over 700 vulnerable patients required emergency ambulance evacuations from regional skilled nursing facilities, and key public health centers were forced onto generator power or shut down entirely. Stalling PA funding prevents essential medical providers and community clinics from restoring permanent operations, rebuilding lost clinical space, and securing resilient power systems, leaving the region's healthcare delivery system deeply exposed ahead of the current fire season. These delays, simply put, are actively hurting the medical safety net for

Americans through impacts to *both* major regional hospital foundations and historically underserved, low-income American community clinics.

California is also continuing to experience delays in IA-related recovery funding. As reflected in prior Cal OES correspondence to FEMA regarding Disaster Case Management Program funding for DR-4856, California submitted timely requests and all required documentation for reimbursement installments associated with services directly assisting Los Angeles wildfire survivors to navigate their recoveries, yet multiple installments remain unreleased without explanation. This delay in funding has resulted in the unnecessary use of state general funds to fund this federal program. The prolonged delay has required the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) to temporarily borrow funding from other sources to sustain critical disaster case management operations, reducing the availability of resources for other state programs and creating unnecessary fiscal and operational challenges while recovery efforts remain ongoing.

In addition, California's request for long-term disaster recovery supplemental funding has not yet advanced to Congress. Programs such as Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery funding remain essential to supporting housing recovery, infrastructure restoration, and long-term community rebuilding following the January 2025 wildfires.

In addition to southern regional crises, the federal obligation backlog severely undermines critical northern California utility infrastructure, specifically threatening the operational stability of the Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency (LAVWMA), which services Alameda and Contra Costa Counties and Americans that live there. Serving as a vital wastewater export corridor for the tri-valley area, LAVWMA's critical pipeline network, pump stations, and essential sub-surface infrastructure sustained significant collateral degradation and high-velocity runoff damage during the 2023 Winter Storms. Delaying the obligation of approved PA funding directly stalls urgent structural repairs, asset stabilization, and essential wet-weather flow management upgrades. Forcing LAVWMA to carry these heavy capital liabilities limits the agency's ability to fortify its export capacity against future severe weather events, creating an acute public health and environmental risk for the thousands of residential and commercial ratepayers relying on this regional pipeline network.

Infrastructure projects across PA Categories C (Roads and Bridges), D (Water Control Facilities), E (Buildings and Equipment), and F (Utilities) face rigid, unforgiving seasonal construction windows. Delays in funding push critical

engineering, heavy civil work, and utility restoration out of optimal summer and dry-season months and into late-fall and winter weather hazards. Missing these environmental windows forces projects to stand down, leading to mid-construction site degradation, contract demobilization and remobilization penalties, and extended contractor overhead—cumulatively driving up project costs and delaying vital community restoration. We request FEMA prioritize LA wildfire projects as well as other PA Categories C-F projects and release funds now to avoid these incurred additional costs, making these projects more expensive, ultimately to the American taxpayers.

Cal OES has demonstrated strong stewardship of federal funds, disbursing more than \$7.1 billion, including approximately \$5.6 billion in DR-4482 COVID-related funding since January 2025, to communities in need, coordinating closely with Region IX as necessary to prioritize liquidation. During this timeframe, California has also driven to meet its federal cost share partnership responsibilities by providing more than \$525 million in state funding to support its community recovery.

Since January 2025, Cal OES has partnered closely with FEMA to support the Administration's priority of moving grants forward, validating eligible costs, and accelerating disaster closeout. Through streamlined processes, dedicated resources, and sustained coordination, Cal OES has submitted 4,633 projects totaling approximately \$11.2 billion to FEMA for final grant closeout across wildfire, winter storm, flood, mudslide, and COVID-19 disasters. This represents an average throughput of approximately 59 projects and \$143.6 million submitted to FEMA for closeout per week.

Over the past year, California communities have experienced repeated disruptions resulting from federal shutdowns, partial operational interruptions, and expanded DHS review requirements that have significantly slowed disaster funding obligations. While California continues investing aggressively in preparedness, mitigation, and response capabilities, including sustaining the California Fire and Rescue Mutual Aid System and statewide wildfire readiness efforts, federal partnership remains essential to protecting American lives and property in California.

Accordingly, California respectfully requests FEMA Headquarters prioritize the immediate review and obligation of pending California PA, HMGP, and IA funding. If these funds cannot be released immediately, Cal OES respectfully requests: (a) an explanation of the reasons for the delay; (b) the legal authority

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supporting the delayed action; and (c) anticipated timelines for obligation and release of the pending funds.

California appreciates FEMA's continued partnership and remains committed to working collaboratively to support disaster survivors and strengthen our American communities' resilience. Should you have any questions, please contact Robyn Fennig, Deputy Director of Recovery, at (916) 799-8660 or Robyn.Fennig@caloes.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



CAROLINE THOMAS JACOBS
Director

BOARD STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date	October 8, 2026
Type of Meeting	Regular Business Session
Agenda Item No.	3.5
Agenda Item	Retiree Health Insurance Thank You – Becky Moyle
Presented By	Contessa Dickson, Board Secretary
Type of Item	NONE
Type of Action	Consent Calendar – General Vote
Applicable Board Policy	N/A

BACKGROUND

Becky Moyle retired from the Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District following 39 years of service to the District. The District recently received a thank-you card from Ms. Moyle expressing her appreciation to the Board and staff for the retiree health insurance benefit provided by the District.

DISCUSSION

In her card, Ms. Moyle shared her gratitude for the District’s retiree health insurance, describing it as an exceptional benefit that is greatly appreciated.

Ms. Moyle’s message recognizes the value of this benefit to District retirees and expresses her appreciation to the Board and staff for its continued provision.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

This informational item supports the District’s commitment to its employees and retirees.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND LEGAL REVIEW

Not Applicable

ALTERNATIVES

None.

ATTACHMENTS

None.

BOARD STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date	October 8, 2026
Type of Meeting	Regular Business Session
Agenda Item No.	3.6
Agenda Item	Governor's State of Emergency for 2026–2027 El Niño Preparedness
Presented By	Michiko Mares, P.E., General Manager
Type of Item	INFORMATIONAL
Type of Action	NONE
Applicable Board Policy	Not Applicable

RECOMMENDATION

No action is recommended to the Board of Directors currently. This report is provided for Board information regarding the Governor's September 21, 2026, proclamation of a statewide State of Emergency related to the developing 2026–2027 El Niño event.

BACKGROUND

On September 21, 2026, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency throughout California due to the developing 2026–2027 El Niño event. The proclamation is intended to allow the State and local agencies to prepare in advance for potentially significant winter weather, including severe storms, atmospheric rivers, flooding, coastal flooding, erosion, landslides, and mud and debris flows.

The proclamation directs State agencies to coordinate preparedness activities, pre-position resources, support local governments, and streamline certain activities necessary to reduce risks before severe weather occurs.

DISCUSSION

Several provisions of the proclamation are relevant to the District and other local water agencies.

Flood Protection and Expedited Permitting

The California Environmental Protection Agency and California Natural Resources Agency, including departments and boards under those agencies, are directed to prioritize permitting, consultation, and technical assistance for local agencies preparing for potential flooding and related impacts. The proclamation identifies activities such as flood-management infrastructure

repairs, vegetation management, debris and sediment removal, bridge scour protection, and channel-capacity improvements.

Flood-Fighting Resources

The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) is directed to procure, maintain, stage, and distribute flood-fighting supplies and equipment throughout the state. DWR and the Governor's Office of Emergency Services will also coordinate with local agencies to identify areas where resources may need to be staged in advance of severe weather.

The District previously requested on August 7, 2026 four flood-fighting containers to be distributed at Ruth Lake, Essex Operations Control Center, and the Samoa Tank. This request was approved on August 11, 2026 and we anticipate delivery by the end of October. These flood-fighting containers will be available to the District as well as local agency partners.

Dam Safety

The proclamation directs DWR's Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD) to conduct outreach to owners of jurisdictional dams regarding potentially severe conditions during the El Niño event. This provision is directly relevant to the District as owner and operator of R.W. Matthews Dam and reinforces ongoing dam safety, emergency preparedness, monitoring, and implementation of the District's Emergency Action Plan. The District met with DSOD on October 1, 2026 to discuss R.W. Matthews Dam and potential risks related to the upcoming storm season.

Water and Critical Infrastructure

State agencies are directed to coordinate with water, wastewater, energy, telecommunications, transportation, and other critical-service providers to enhance preparedness and support timely restoration of essential services following storm impacts. For the District, this may include coordination associated with water supply facilities, transmission infrastructure, power reliability, emergency communications, access to District facilities, and other critical infrastructure. District has contacted local and State agencies to discuss potential pre-positioning strategies.

DISTRICT PREPAREDNESS

District staff will continue monitoring State guidance and the developing 2026–2027 El Niño conditions and will coordinate with appropriate local and State agencies as necessary. Staff will also continue evaluating District facilities and operations for potential storm-related impacts, including R.W. Matthews Dam, Mad River facilities, water transmission infrastructure, access routes, power supply, communications, and emergency response capabilities.

District staff intend to bring forward a resolution at the November Board meeting delegating authority to the General Manager to authorize emergency procurement under Public Contract Code Section 22050, should severe weather threaten District facilities.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no direct fiscal impact associated with receiving this informational report. Future preparedness or emergency-response activities may result in costs to the District depending on actual weather conditions and operational needs.

ATTACHMENTS

1. [State of California Proclamation of a State of Emergency – Developing 2026–2027 El Niño Event, September 21, 2026](#)

BOARD STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date	October 8, 2026
Type of Meeting	Regular Business Session
Agenda Item No.	3.7
Agenda Item	North Coast Catalyst Convening and California's Fifth Climate Change Assessment in Support of the Baduwa't (Mad River) Watershed Resilience Initiative
Presented By	Michiko Mares, P.E., General Manager
Type of Item	INFORMATIONAL
Type of Action	NONE - Receive and File
Applicable Board Policy	Not Applicable

RECOMMENDATION

No action is recommended to the Board of Directors at this time regarding this item. This report is provided for the Board's information.

BACKGROUND

On September 15, 2026, the [California Strategic Growth Council](#) and the Governor's Office of [Land Use and Climate Innovation \(LCI\)](#) hosted the North Coast Catalyst Convening in Eureka. The [Catalyst Convenings](#) are a statewide series that bring regional leaders together with State agencies to explore regional priorities, co-create recommended State policies and actions, and connect regional partners with funding programs, no-cost assistance, and one another. District staff participated on behalf of Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District.

The convening featured the rollout of new, region-specific climate science through [California's Fifth Climate Change Assessment](#), a regional showcase of North Coast case studies, and facilitated roundtables on regional priorities, including Watershed Health and Water Security. The Fifth Assessment North Coast Regional Report covers Humboldt, Trinity, Del Norte, Mendocino, Lake, and Siskiyou Counties.

The District is concurrently developing the Baduwa't (Mad River) Watershed Resilience Initiative (BWRI) and positioning for a grant application to the Department of Water Resources (DWR) under the Proposition 4 Watershed Resilience Program. This report summarizes the convening and explains how the Fifth Assessment will support the BWRI's forthcoming Proposition 4 application.

DISCUSSION

The Convening

District staff attended sessions on the region's future climate trends, a regional showcase of case studies, and facilitated roundtables. Elements most relevant to the District included:

- A presentation of the Fifth Assessment North Coast Regional Report by its co-leads, Rosemary Sherriff and Andrew Stubblefield of Cal Poly Humboldt, together with staff of the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation.
- Roundtables on Watershed Health and Water Security, Climate Resilience, Funding Access, and Regional Capacity and Coordination, in which participants defined shared regional problems and drafted policy recommendations for the State.
- A regional showcase of North Coast case studies, including Tribal capacity building and regional watershed partnerships, several of which model the multi-benefit, partnership-based approach envisioned for the BWRI.
- An introduction to State resources for sustained regional funding and assistance, including the [Regional Energy and Climate Hub \(REACH\)](#) program, which connects local governments, special districts, and Tribal governments with State agencies and technical support.

California's Fifth Climate Change Assessment

California's Climate Change Assessments compile the best available, peer-reviewed climate science at a regional scale to help communities plan for and invest against climate impacts. The North Coast Regional Report updates and effectively replaces the [2018 Fourth Assessment](#) regional report that the District and other agencies have relied on to date. Consistent with the State's 2026 release schedule, the regional reports are being rolled out publicly this year, and findings are currently being shared through a [public webinar series](#). As of the date of this report, the final North Coast Regional Report and its underlying data do not yet appear to be formally posted on the [California Climate Assessment](#) website. Staff will monitor for the formal posting and incorporate the final report and data upon release.

As described in public briefings on the report, its scope addresses climate priorities that bear directly on the District's mission and its sole source of supply, the Baduwa't (Mad River), including:

- Shifts in precipitation, including swings between extreme wet and dry conditions, and changes in the timing and volume of river runoff that affect Mad River flows and water supply reliability.
- Wildfire risk across the watershed, with associated effects on source water quality and watershed protection.
- Sea-level rise and flooding in the Humboldt Bay area.
- The importance of shared stewardship with Tribes, and the vulnerabilities and capacity constraints of rural communities.

- Cold-water habitat and salmonid resilience, which intersect with the District’s instream flow and watershed stewardship work.

How the Fifth Assessment Supports the BWRI and the Proposition 4 Application

The DWR Proposition 4 Watershed Resilience Program favors watershed-scale, multi-benefit proposals that are grounded in the best available science and developed with Tribal and community partners. The Fifth Assessment North Coast Regional Report will provide current, authoritative, and locally specific science that will strengthen the District’s application in several ways:

- **Need and vulnerability.** The report will supply up-to-date, region-specific climate projections and vulnerability findings that substantiate the case for investment in Baduwa’t watershed resilience, in place of reliance on the aging 2018 assessment.
- **Alignment with program priorities.** Its emphasis on shared stewardship with Tribes, rural capacity, and multi-benefit resilience mirrors the framework and evaluation criteria of the Watershed Resilience Program.
- **Technical credibility.** Citing State-sanctioned, peer-reviewed science strengthens the technical foundation of the application and of the supporting watershed assessment and resilience metrics.
- **Coalition and partnership narrative.** The report reinforces the regional-partnership approach at the core of the BWRI, and the convening itself advanced relationships with State agencies and with regional partners relevant to the coalition.
- **Timing.** Because the report is being released in 2026, it will be available to cite as current best-available science during the application window.

Staff intend to integrate the North Coast Regional Report and its underlying data into the BWRI application materials, watershed assessment, and resilience indicators once the report is formally posted.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

This item advances the following FY2027 to FY2030 Strategic Plan goals: Watershed and Environmental Stewardship; Water Supply and Reliability; and Governance and Organization.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no direct fiscal impact associated with this informational item. District participation in the convening and related coalition work is accommodated within existing staff time and budget.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND LEGAL REVIEW

This is an informational report and does not approve a project, so no action is being taken that requires review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). District Counsel review was not required for this informational item. Any future Proposition 4 grant agreement or resulting project would be subject to applicable legal and environmental review at that time.

ALTERNATIVES

As an informational item, no action alternatives are presented.

ATTACHMENTS

1. [North Coast Region Overview, California Strategic Growth Council and Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation \(2025\)](#)
2. [North Coast Catalyst Convening Presentation \(September 15, 2026\)](#)

BOARD STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date	October 8, 2026
Type of Meeting	Regular Business Session
Agenda Item No.	5.1
Agenda Item	FY2027–FY2030 Strategic Plan Progress Update: Multi-Year Initiatives and Milestones
Presented By	Michiko Mares, P.E., General Manager
Type of Item	INFORMATIONAL
Type of Action	NONE - Receive and File
Applicable Board Policy	FY2027–FY2030 Strategic Plan (adopted February 2026); Board Policy 1052 (Evaluation of General Manager and strategic monitoring)

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommend the Board of Directors receive and file this progress update on the FY2027–FY2030 Strategic Plan, with particular attention to the District's multi-year initiatives. No formal action is required. Staff welcome Board direction on priorities or reprioritization as circumstances warrant.

BACKGROUND

The District developed its FY2027–FY2030 Strategic Plan at the Board and staff Strategic Planning Retreat on February 2 and 3, 2026, facilitated by the California Special Districts Association. This is the District's first comprehensive strategic plan in roughly 30 years. The Plan establishes five strategic goals, each supported by annual objectives:

- **Goal A** Infrastructure and Assets
- **Goal B** Watershed and Environmental Stewardship
- **Goal C** Regulatory Compliance
- **Goal D** Water Supply and Reliability
- **Goal E** Governance and Organization.

The FY2027 strategic objectives were incorporated into the General Manager Performance Plan adopted under Board Policy 1052, which assigns a lead, target, and success metric to each action and calls for structured quarterly reporting on multi-year initiatives. This staff report provides that

progress update. Three objectives are expressly multi-year, anticipated to span the three-year planning period: the prioritized Capital Improvement Program and funding strategy (A.2), the emergency preparedness and business continuity program (C.2), and water rights licensing ahead of the 2029 renewal deadline (D.2).

DISCUSSION

Reporting period: Q2 FY2027 (Mid-Year Review), October 2026. The matrix below summarizes the status of each strategic objective. Narrative detail by goal follows. Status labels reflect staff's current assessment.

Objective	Lead	FY2027 Target	Current Status / Next Milestone
Goal A: Infrastructure and Assets			
A.1 Transmission pipeline ROW protection; Dunes EIR	Ryan Chairez, Annmarie Behan	Q4 FY2027	In progress; ROW survey and EIR advancing
A.2 Prioritized CIP and 25-year funding strategy (multi-year)	Annmarie Behan, GM, Chris Harris	Q4 FY2027	In progress; transmission pipeline assessment RFP in development
A.3 North Mainline Extension	GM, Annmarie Behan	Q3–Q4 FY2027	No progress
Goal B: Watershed and Environmental Stewardship			
B.1 Protect Ruth Lake from AIS (Golden Mussel)	Chris Harris, Larry Raschein, Annmarie Behan	Q2–Q3 FY2027	In progress; decontamination system installed Q2
Baduwa't Watershed Resilience Initiative (BWRI); Prop 4 pre-positioning	GM	Q4 FY2027	In progress
Goal C: Regulatory Compliance			
C.1 Comprehensive regulatory compliance program	Annmarie Behan; O&M staff	Q1–Q4 FY2027	In progress; tracking system (Q1); Part 12D workshops complete (Q2); CAR to FERC (Q3)
C.2 Emergency preparedness and business continuity (multi-year)	GM, Chris Merz, Annmarie Behan, Chris Harris	Q4 FY2027	In progress; EOP/BCP framework in development
Goal D: Water Supply and Reliability			
D.1 Standard Operating Procedures (10+ priority SOPs)	Mario Palmero, Paul Jorgensen	Q4 FY2027	In progress; SOP prioritization underway
D.2 Water rights licensing for 2029 renewal; §1707 petition (multi-year)	GM, Annmarie Behan, consultants	Q4 FY2027	In progress; SWRCB progress communication due Dec 15, 2026 for 1707 application
Goal E: Governance and Organization			
E.1 Digital transformation and cybersecurity	GM, Mario Palmero, Chris Harris	Q4 FY2027	In progress; IT transition and SharePoint rollout
E.2 District-wide Board policies	Contessa Dickson, GM	Q2–Q4 FY2027	In progress; 2000 Series toward adoption (Q3)

Goal A: Infrastructure and Assets

Modernize, protect, and strategically manage District infrastructure and assets to improve resiliency, operational efficiency, regulatory compliance, and service reliability.

A.1 Transmission pipeline rights-of-way protection (Ryan Chairez, Annmarie Behan). Right-of-way survey coordination for transmission pipeline in progress. Vegetation management and community coordination for the Samoa Peninsula corridor are underway, as part of the Dunes Environmental Impact Report for the Samoa Peninsula Waterline ROW Maintenance Project (GM) which is advancing toward adoption. Target Q4 FY2027.

A.2 Prioritized Capital Improvement Program and 25-year funding strategy, informed by vulnerability, condition, and resiliency assessments (Annmarie Behan, GM, Chris Harris). This is a multi-year objective spanning the planning period. The Part 12D Comprehensive Assessment Report (CAR) will inform capital improvements required at R.W. Matthews Dam. The RFP for the transmission pipeline assessments are in development; the CIP framework and 25-year funding model will be built on the assessment findings. Ranney Collector No. 4 returned to service in September 2026, restoring full collector capacity. The State Dam Safety and Climate Resilience grant program is being pursued as a funding path for R.W. Matthews Dam. Target Q4 FY2027.

A.3 North Mainline Extension (GM, Annmarie Behan, Board members, consultants). Procurement of project management and environmental/design consultants has not progressed, with LAFCo, Coastal Commission, Caltrans, and Tribal coordination initiated. A water service agreement with the Trinidad Rancheria and/or the City of Trinidad is required to move forward, targeted for Q3 FY2027.

Goal B: Watershed and Environmental Stewardship

Protect source water and the Mad River watershed to ensure long-term water quality, ecosystem health, and sustainable use of District resources.

B.1 Protect Ruth Lake from aquatic invasive species, including the Golden Mussel threat (Chris Harris, Larry Raschein, Annmarie Behan). Staff completed the CDFW grant amendment and installed the spray-wash decontamination system at the Ruth Lake launch area in coordination with Ruth Lake CSD, Q2 FY2027. The AIS inspection program continues under Ordinance 26.

Initiative The Baduwa't Watershed Resilience Initiative (GM). Building on the District's watershed stewardship direction, the District has developed a coalition and is pre-positioning for the Department of Water Resources Proposition 4 Watershed Resilience Program grant opportunity. Coalition materials are complete and partnerships are under development, including fund-raising to support 3rd party facilitation which received funding from NCRP. Target Q4 FY2027.

Goal C: Regulatory Compliance

Ensure proactive regulatory compliance and strong emergency preparedness to protect public health, infrastructure, and continuity of operations.

C.1 Comprehensive regulatory compliance program (Annmarie Behan, with O&M staff and consultants). A regulatory compliance tracking system covering all permits and obligations (DDW, FERC, DSOD, NCRWQCB, Cal/OSHA, CDFW, NMFS, USACE, USFS, and SWRCB) is being launched (Q1). The FERC Part 12D workshops were completed in Q2, and the Comprehensive

Assessment Report (CAR) is on track for submittal to FERC in Q3; the safety manual update for construction safety and industrial orders is in progress (Q4).

C.2 Comprehensive emergency preparedness and business continuity program (GM, Chris Merz, Annmarie Behan, Chris Harris, Ryan Chairez). This is a multi-year objective spanning the planning period. Development of the Emergency Operations Plan framework and Business Continuity Plan has been initiated with OES coordination; Emergency Response Plans for three priority scenarios (pipeline failure, dam emergency, water quality event) have not progressed; an Incident Command System framework will be established with OES training; and coordination with Humboldt County OES and the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan continues. Target Q4 FY2027.

Goal D: Water Supply and Reliability

Secure and sustain a reliable long-term water supply by protecting the District's water rights and strengthening the workforce and systems needed to operate the water system effectively.

D.1 Standard Operating Procedures for critical operational functions (Mario Palmero, Paul Jorgensen). A prioritized SOP list is under development with staff, with a goal of completing at least ten SOPs for the highest-criticality operations. Target Q4 FY2027.

D.2 Water rights licensing ahead of the 2029 renewal deadline (GM, Annmarie Behan, technical consultants). This is a multi-year objective. The Section 1707 instream flow petition is advancing through the Technical Working Group process; hydrologic analysis and fall storm pulse and spring recession operational testing are underway; the second joint progress communication to the State Water Resources Control Board is targeted for December 15, 2026; and protest resolution is targeted by May 20, 2027. Target Q4 FY2027.

Goal E: Governance and Organization

Strengthen governance, organizational effectiveness, and internal systems to support strategic leadership, accountability, and operational resilience.

E.1 Digital transformation and cybersecurity (GM, Mario Palmero, Chris Harris, consultants). Cybersecurity assessment recommendations are being implemented, the transition to the new IT vendor is underway, and the District-wide OneDrive/SharePoint deployment with a records-management and file-naming protocol is in progress. Target Q4 FY2027.

E.2 Develop, approve, and begin implementing comprehensive District-wide Board policies (Contessa Dickson, GM, General Counsel). The Board Policy 2000 Series (Administration) is advancing toward adoption (Q3); the 3000 Series (Finance) is in development (Q4); the Board onboarding packet and training materials are being completed; and the GM performance appraisal program is being implemented under Policy 1052.

Related Organizational systems (GM, Chris Harris). Consistent annual performance reviews tied to strategic objectives, onboarding of Deputy Director of Operations and Maintenance, and retention and succession planning are advancing in support of Goal E.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

This item reports progress on all five FY2027–FY2030 Strategic Plan goals: Infrastructure and Assets; Watershed and Environmental Stewardship; Regulatory Compliance; Water Supply and Reliability; and Governance and Organization.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no direct fiscal impact from receiving and filing this update. Individual initiatives carry their own budgeted or grant-funded costs and are brought to the Board separately for authorization.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND LEGAL REVIEW

This informational update requires no action under the California Environmental Quality Act. Individual projects, including the Samoa Peninsula Waterline ROW Maintenance Project (Dunes EIR) and the North Mainline Extension, carry their own environmental review, addressed as those items advance. District Counsel review is not required for this informational report.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Receive and file the update as presented (recommended).
2. Request additional detail or a revised reporting format for future quarterly updates.
3. Provide direction to reprioritize one or more initiatives, recognizing that reprioritization may affect resource allocation and schedules across the Plan.

ATTACHMENTS

1. [FY2027–FY2030 Strategic Plan \(adopted February 2026\)](#)

BOARD STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date	October 8, 2026
Type of Meeting	Regular Business Session
Agenda Item No.	5.2
Agenda Item	Completion of Collector #4 Investigation and Repairs
Presented By	Michiko Mares, P.E., General Manager
Type of Item	INFORMATIONAL
Type of Action	NONE
Applicable Board Policy	Not Applicable

RECOMMENDATION

No action is recommended to the Board of Directors at this time regarding this item. This report is provided for the Board’s information regarding completion of the Collector #4 investigation and repairs.

BACKGROUND

Collector #4 is one of the District’s Ranney Collector wells located within the Mad River and is an important component of the District’s drinking water supply system. Following identification of a condition requiring further evaluation, Collector #4 was taken offline while District staff and specialty contractors investigated the source and extent of the issue and developed an appropriate repair approach.

The Board previously authorized funding for the preliminary investigation and repair of Collector #4. The investigation and subsequent repair work have now been completed.

DISCUSSION

Investigation

The Collector #4 investigation included specialized access and inspection necessary to evaluate the condition of the collector and determine the appropriate repair. The investigation work totaled \$68,300.26 and was funded in the prior fiscal year through a budget reallocation.

Repair

Following completion of the investigation, repair work was performed to address the identified condition at Collector #4. The repair work was completed during FY 2026/27 at a total cost of

\$164,553.67. The FY 2026/27 project budget included \$75,000 for the repair work, with an additional \$240,000 reallocated to the project, for a total available budget of \$315,000. The remaining balance of approximately \$150,000 will be reallocated in the future.

Photographs documenting the investigation and repair work are included as Attachment 1.

Environmental Notifications

Because Collector #4 is located within the Mad River, District staff coordinated with applicable environmental and regulatory agencies regarding access and work associated with the investigation and repair. Coordination included the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, NOAA National Marine Fisheries Services, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, and North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board. Applicable environmental notifications and coordination were completed in connection with the work, and project activities were conducted with measures intended to protect aquatic resources and minimize potential impacts to the Mad River.

FISCAL IMPACT

Total expenditures for the Collector #4 investigation and repair were \$232,853.93, as summarized below:

Project Component	Expense
Investigation	\$68,300.26
Repair	\$164,553.67
Total	\$232,853.93

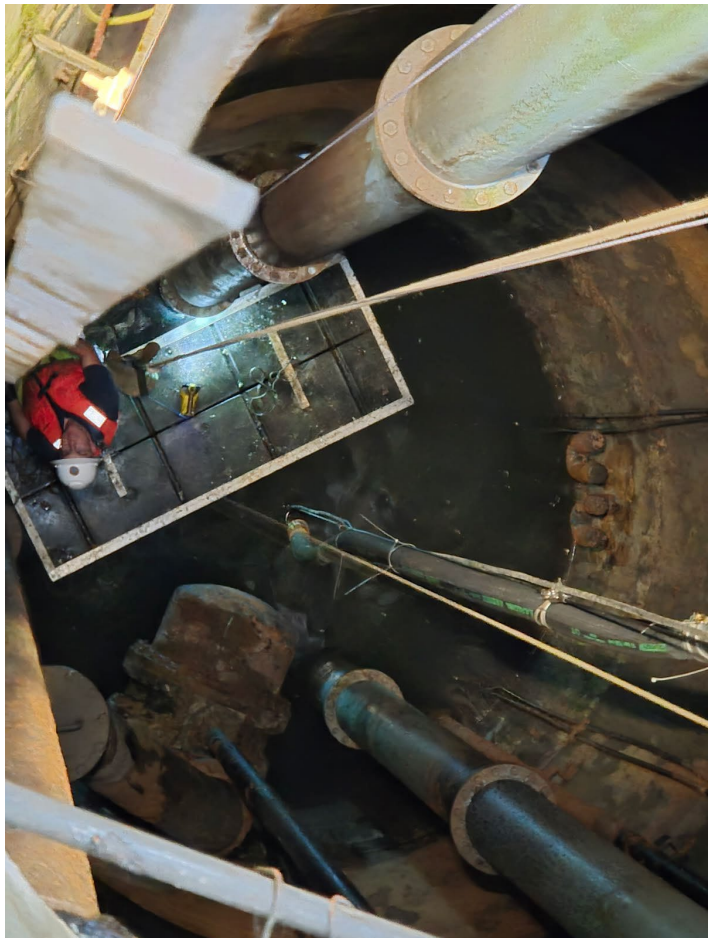
The investigation work was funded in the prior fiscal year through a budget reallocation. The FY27 Project Budget included \$75,000 as well as \$240,000 in encumbered funds from FY26 for Collector #4 repair work. Remaining funds will be reallocated with Board approval at a later date.

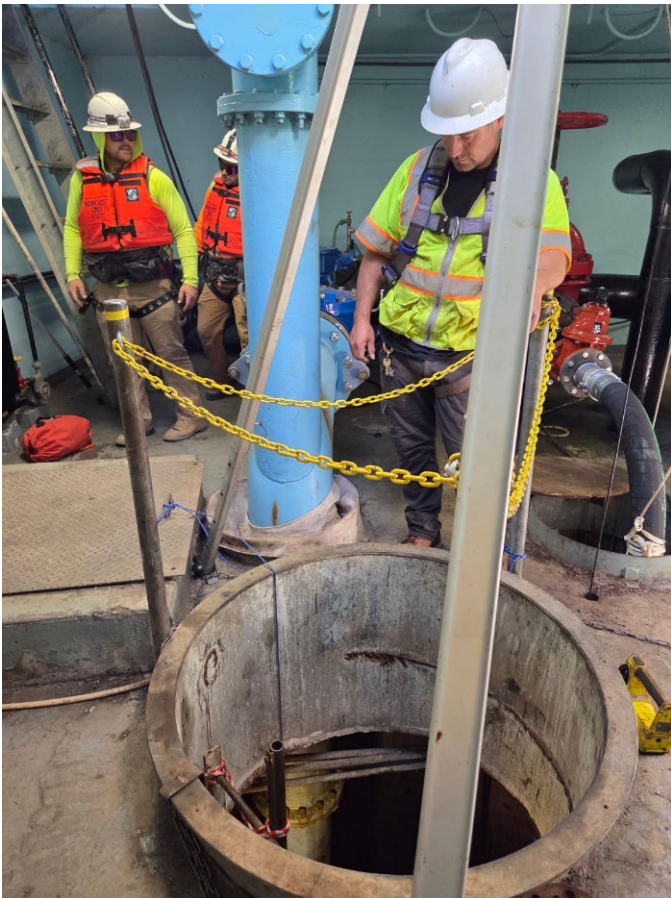
STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

Completion of the Collector #4 repairs supports the District’s strategic priorities related to reliable water supply, infrastructure resiliency, and responsible operation and maintenance of critical District facilities.

ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1 – Collector #4 Investigation and Repair Photographs







BOARD STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date	October 8, 2026
Type of Meeting	Regular Business Session
Agenda Item No.	5.3
Agenda Item	Emergency Action Plan for R.W. Matthews Dam - Annual Face-to-Face Seminar, Trinity County
Presented By	Annmarie Behan, Associate Engineer
Type of Item	INFORMATIONAL
Type of Action	NONE
Applicable Board Policy	Not Applicable

RECOMMENDATION

This item is informational only. No Board action is requested. Staff is providing this report to inform the Board of the annual Emergency Action Plan (EAP) face-to-face seminar held with Trinity County partner agencies on September 25, 2026, in connection with the R.W. Matthews Dam Emergency Action Plan (EAP).

BACKGROUND

The District convened representatives from Trinity County Sheriff's Office, Trinity County Office of Emergency Services (OES), Ruth Lake Community Service District (CSD), Southern Trinity Volunteer Fire Department (STVFD), United States Forest Service (USFS), California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE), California Highway Patrol (CHP), and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to review notification procedures, agency responsibilities, and inundation mapping, and to gather partner input for the EAP update currently underway.

DISCUSSION

Key discussion points from the seminar are provided below.

- EAP update and format: The District is undergoing a full-update of the EAP and is restructuring it to include a concise, operational quick-reference section (notification

procedures, responsibilities, maps) separate from supporting technical appendices, to make the plan more usable during an actual emergency.

- March 2026 non-failure emergency: Staff briefed partners on the March 3–24, 2026 incident involving the dam's slide gate and hydraulic operating system, during which emergency divers were mobilized to repair the gate before the end of the seasonal spill period. While the EAP's non-failure notification process was followed, some partners were unclear on why they were being notified or what action, if any, was expected. Separately, STVFD was not listed as an agency to be notified under the non-failure flow chart and instead learned of the incident from a third party rather than direct notification. Participants agreed STVFD should be added to the non-failure notification list. The District agreed to update the flow chart to include STVFD in the EAP update.
- Notification process: Partners generally supported keeping Trinity County Sheriff's Dispatch as the District's first point of contact, dispatch, and for public alerting (Ready Trinity/IPAWS), with responsibility shifting to Trinity County OES for secondary notifications, and resource coordination once dispatch becomes occupied with the initial response. Participants agreed the priority is getting responders moving and warnings issued quickly, rather than requiring dispatch to work through a lengthy call list. Trinity County Sheriff confirmed that USFS and STVFD would be the primary agencies that would be dispatched through the Sheriff's office. Participants also agreed that priority should be given to notifying RLCSD and USFS given their proximity to the dam.
- Incident command: The group discussed relying more heavily on existing Incident Command System (ICS) and mutual-aid structures after initial notification, rather than prescribing every agency's actions in the EAP itself. The District may designate a staff liaison to provide dam-specific technical information to incident command during an event.
- Geographic and access limitations: Partners discussed the remote terrain and limited warning time in the upper Mad River area (the flood wave could reach nearby campgrounds in approximately 20 minutes and the Mad River Bridge area in approximately 40 minutes), and the likelihood that local agencies would need to operate independently until outside assistance arrives.
- Inundation mapping: The District reviewed and provided context for its current sunny-day and rainy-day inundation map sets. Per the recently completed Part 12D Comprehensive Assessment, the District anticipates additional inundation modeling using a probable maximum flood scenario.

- Regional coordination: Partners identified outdated or impractical elements that are contained in Humboldt County's Dam Failure Contingency Plan and agreed the District will submit written comments to Humboldt County to update its plan. The District is also considering a combined Humboldt/Trinity County partner workshop in 2027.

Next Steps: District staff will incorporate partner feedback into the EAP update, including revised notification scripts for different emergency levels, an updated notification flow chart, corrected agency contact and responsibility information, and continued coordination with Humboldt County on shared response areas. A companion face-to-face meeting with Humboldt County partners is planned for December 2026.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

This effort supports Strategic Plan Goal C, Regulatory Compliance, by fulfilling the District's annual EAP seminar requirement for R.W. Matthews Dam and advancing FY2027 Objective 2 under this goal, initiating development of a comprehensive District emergency preparedness and business continuity program. The partner feedback gathered at this seminar directly informs the EAP update currently underway.

FISCAL IMPACT

None. Staff time associated with the annual EAP seminar and ongoing EAP update is included within the District's existing regulatory compliance program and adopted budget.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND LEGAL REVIEW

None required for this information item.

ALTERNATIVES

As this item is informational in nature, no alternatives are presented for Board consideration.

ATTACHMENTS

None.

BOARD STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date	October 8, 2026
Type of Meeting	Regular Business Session
Agenda Item No.	5.4
Agenda Item	2026 National Public Lands Day: Ruth Lake Cleanup
Presented By	Michiko Mares, P.E., General Manager
Type of Item	INFORMATIONAL
Type of Action	NONE
Applicable Board Policy	Not Applicable

RECOMMENDATION

This item is informational only. No Board action is requested. Staff is providing this report to inform the Board of the 5th Annual National Public Lands Day Ruth Lake Cleanup, held Saturday, September 26, 2026, at the Ruth Lake Marina in Trinity County.

BACKGROUND

National Public Lands Day, coordinated nationally by the National Environmental Education Foundation (NEEF), is the nation’s largest single day of volunteer service on public lands and is held each year on the fourth Saturday of September.

Ruth Lake, impounded by the District’s R.W. Matthews Dam on the upper Mad River, is the District’s source water storage reservoir and a valued recreation destination for the region. For the past five years, the District has partnered with Six Rivers National Forest, Ruth Lake Community Services District (RLCSD), and local community organizations on an annual National Public Lands Day cleanup at the lake. The 2025 event, the fourth annual cleanup, removed approximately two tons of trash!

The 2026 cleanup ran from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., starting at the Ruth Lake Marina. Event partners included Six Rivers National Forest, RLCSD, Van Duzen Elementary School, and the District. The event was promoted on the District website and in local media with a goal of surpassing the 2025 total. Volunteers did not need a boat to participate, and all volunteers received a free lunch and an event T-shirt.

DISCUSSION

Overall, the 2026 cleanup was very successful, fun, and community oriented. Highlights from the event are provided below.

- Community turnout: Approximately 50 volunteers participated, including many families and young children, working side by side with staff from Six Rivers National Forest, RLCSD, and the District.
- Kickoff and education: Six Rivers National Forest staff opened the event with a welcome and briefing at the Marina. Partner tables featured watershed education displays, and volunteers were equipped with gloves, trash grabbers, and collection bags before heading out.
- Debris removed: Volunteers collected a mound of bags of litter along with larger debris, including large timbers and lumber, a tire, a rusted metal drum, pipe, tarps, and a substantial quantity of aluminum cans. Collected material was loaded into a dump trailer for proper disposal.
- Partnership and community relations: The cleanup continues to strengthen the District's working relationships with Six Rivers National Forest, RLCSD, and the Ruth Lake community, and builds a shared sense of stewardship for the District's source water.

Next Steps: Staff will coordinate with event partners to share results and photos with the community, and anticipates continuing the District's participation in the 6th Annual Ruth Lake Cleanup in September 2027.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

This effort supports Strategic Plan Goal - Watershed and Environmental Stewardship, by protecting source water and the Mad River watershed through the removal of trash and debris from Ruth Lake and its shoreline.

FISCAL IMPACT

Minimal. District costs associated with the event, included providing lunch which is included within the adopted budget.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND LEGAL REVIEW

None required for this information item.

ALTERNATIVES

As this item is informational in nature, no alternatives are presented for Board consideration.

ATTACHMENT 1: EVENT PHOTOS



Photo 1. Volunteers and event partners with debris collected along the Ruth Lake shoreline.



Photo 2. Six Rivers National Forest staff welcome volunteers and kick off the cleanup at the Ruth Lake Marina.



Photo 3. Volunteers and partner staff with bagged litter and large debris removed from the lake area.



Photo 4. Dump trailer loaded with collected debris, including a rusted drum, lumber, and tarps, for disposal.



Photo 5. Turkey vultures roosting on a snag above the lake, a reminder of the wildlife that depends on a healthy Ruth Lake.

BOARD STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date	October 8, 2026
Type of Meeting	Regular Business Session
Agenda Item No.	5.5
Agenda Item	Adoption of Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of FFY 2024 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) Award
Presented By	Chris Harris, Director of Finance and Human Resources
Type of Item	ACTION
Type of Action	General Vote
Applicable Board Policy	Not Applicable

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommend that the Board of Directors adopt the attached resolution authorizing acceptance of the FFY 2024 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) award (Subaward #2024-0090, \$217,067) and designating the General Manager and the Director of Finance and Human Resources as authorized agents to execute grant-related documents on behalf of the District.

BACKGROUND

As presented to the Board on August 13, 2026, CalOES notified the District by letter dated August 4, 2026 that its FFY 2024 SLCGP Program proposal had been approved for an award of \$217,067. The funding will support replacement of the District’s unsupported SCADA control servers and related workstation and continuity-of-operations upgrades, as described in that earlier report. The subaward performance period is July 1, 2026 through August 31, 2028.

As a condition of finalizing the subaward, CalOES requires each subrecipient to submit a Governing Body Resolution formally accepting the grant award and designating the individual(s), by name or title, authorized to execute grant-related documents on the District’s behalf. This is a standard requirement applied uniformly across CalOES subrecipients.

DISCUSSION

CalOES’s standard Governing Body Resolution form requires the District’s governing body — the Board of Directors — to adopt a resolution identifying up to three authorized agents (by name or title) and confirming the District’s acceptance of the specific grant award. Once adopted, the resolution is submitted to CalOES to complete the subaward file.

Staff recommend designating the General Manager and the Director of Finance and Human Resources, by title, as the District's authorized agents. Naming positions rather than individuals allows the designation to remain valid through future personnel changes without requiring a new resolution. The resolution text is provided by CalOES and is attached.

Upon adoption, staff will complete the certification portion of the CalOES form, obtain the Board Secretary's signature, and submit the executed resolution to CalOES.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

This item advances the Governance & Organization and Regulatory Compliance goals of the FY2027–FY2030 Strategic Plan by completing the procedural requirements necessary to formally accept and administer FFY 2024 SLCGP grant funding.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no new fiscal impact associated with this action. Adoption of the resolution formalizes the District's acceptance of the FFY 2024 SLCGP award (\$217,067) and designates authorized signers; it does not commit funds beyond what was already addressed in the August 13, 2026 staff report. The associated local match (\$90k) will continue to be funded from the \$216,000 already budgeted for this project in the approved FY27 Project Budget, with the remaining balance reallocated to other project(s) as previously reported.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND LEGAL REVIEW

This is an administrative and financial action; no CEQA determination is required. The resolution language follows CalOES's standard statewide form and has not been separately reviewed by District Counsel.

ALTERNATIVES

The Board could decline to adopt the resolution or request changes to the designated authorized agents. However, CalOES requires an adopted Governing Body Resolution to finalize the subaward; declining to adopt a resolution would prevent the District from completing the subaward file and accessing the awarded FFY 2024 SLCGP funds.

ATTACHMENTS

1. CalOES Governing Body Resolution Form

Governing Body Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE _____
(Governing Body)
OF THE _____ THAT
(Name of Applicant)
_____, OR
(Name or Title of Authorized Agent)
_____, OR
(Name or Title of Authorized Agent)
_____,
(Name or Title of Authorized Agent)

is hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the named Applicant, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining federal financial assistance provided by the federal Department of Homeland Security and subgranted through the State of California for the following Grant Award:

(List Grant Year and Program)

Passed and approved this _____ day of _____, 20 _____

Certification

I, _____, duly appointed and
(Name)

_____ Of the _____
(Title) (Governing Body)

do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed and approved by the
_____ day of _____, 20 _____

(Official Position)

(Signature) (Date)

Memo to: HBMWD Board of Directors
 From: Ryan Chairez, Deputy Director of Operations and Maintenance
 Date: September 30th, 2026
 Subject: Essex/Ruth September 2026 Operational Report

Upper Mad River, Ruth Lake, and Hydro Plant

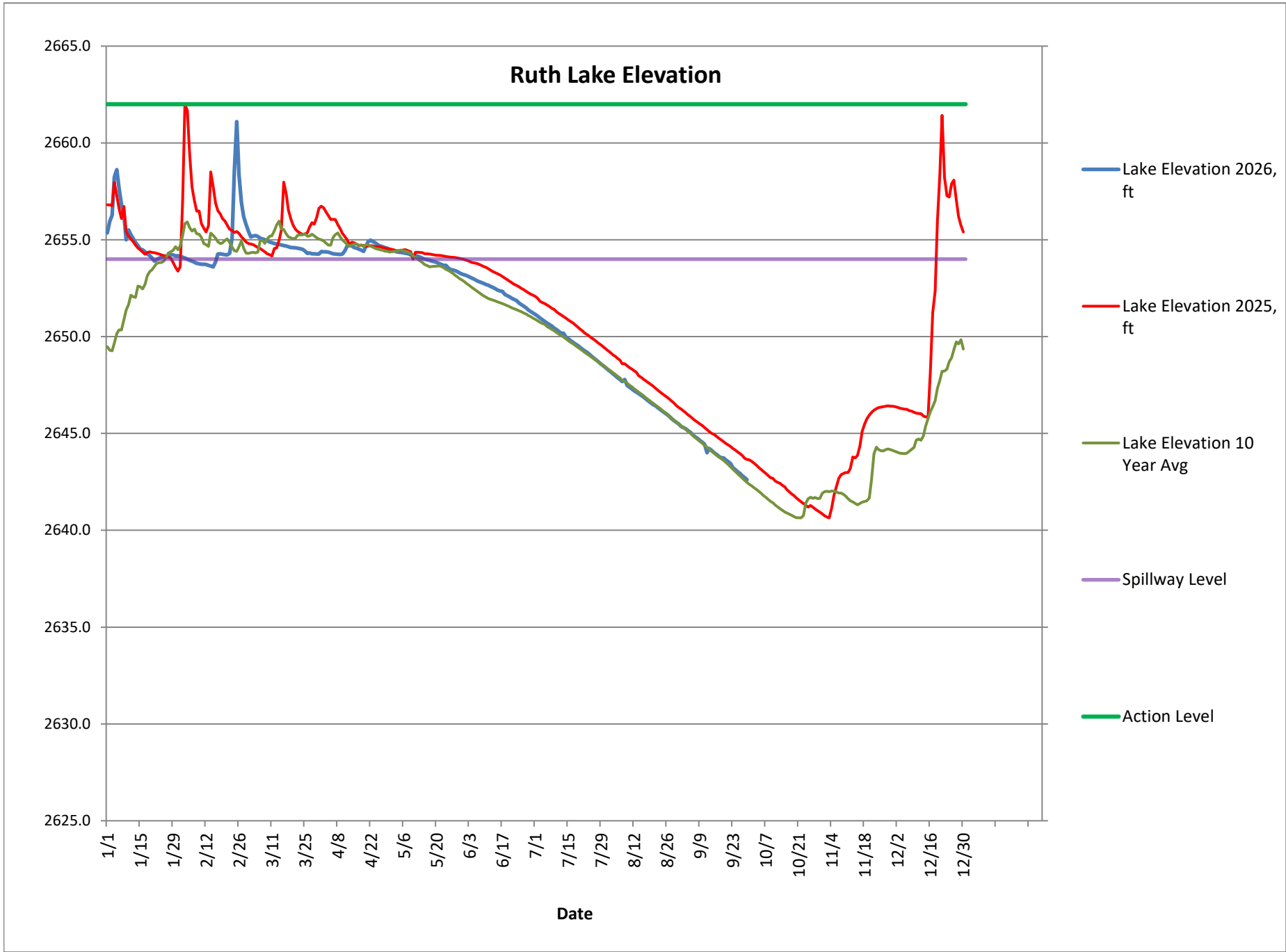
1. Average flow at Mad River above Ruth Reservoir (Zenia Bridge) in September was 0 cfs.
2. The conditions at Ruth Lake for September were as follows:
 The lake level on Sept 30th was 2642.61 feet, which is:
 - 2.87 feet lower than August 31st, 2026.
 - 1.05 feet lower than September 30th, 2025.
 - 0.13 feet higher than the ten-year average.
 - 11.39 feet below the spillway.
3. Ruth Headquarters recorded zero rainfall in September.
4. Ruth Hydro generated 146,400 kWh in September. We had no outages and no lost production.
5. The lake discharged an average of 44 CFS, with a high of 47 CFS on September 5th.

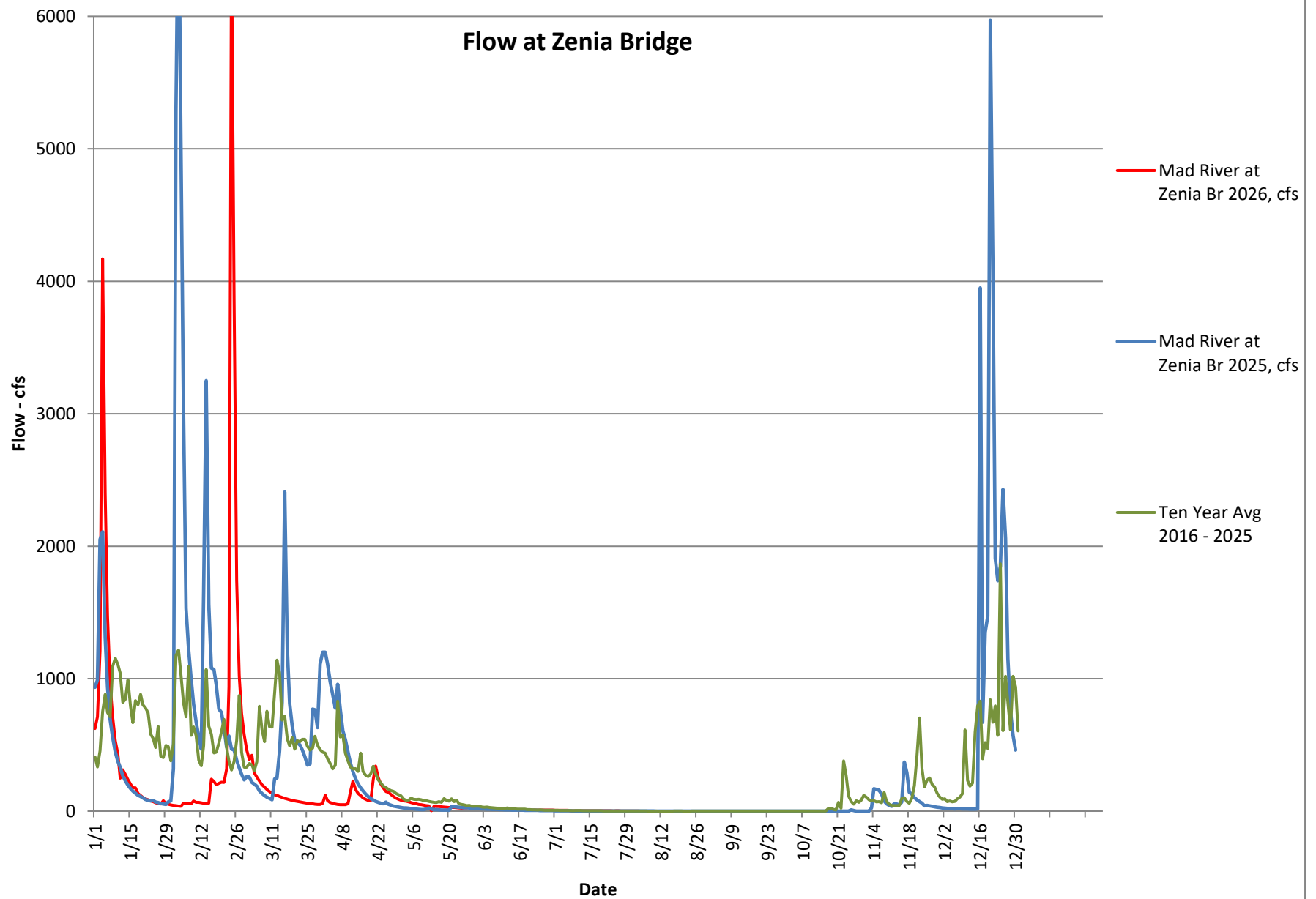
Lower Mad River, Winzler Control, and TRF

6. The river at Winzler Control Center in September had an average flow of 37 CFS. The river reached a high flow of 48 CFS on September 5th.
7. The domestic water conditions were as follows:
 - a. The domestic water turbidity average was 0.12 NTU, which meets Public Health Secondary Standards.
 - b. As of September 30th, we pumped 244.207 MG at an average of 8.14 MGD.
 - c. The maximum metered daily municipal use was 9.7 MG on September 14th.
8. The TRF is **offline**:
 1. Average monthly source water turbidity was 0.10 NTU.
 2. Average monthly CT turbidity was 0.12 NTU.
 3. The number of monthly filter backwashes was zero.
1. September 1st - 4th
 - a. Preparation for Maintenance Worker and AMS interviews
 - b. Discussion with Trinity County Roads Maintenance group regarding Hetten Creek road culvert failure, temporary hardening and outlet channel work into boy scout cove
 - c. Points West Survey work contract scope review
 - d. Approval of Park 1 parking area bike rack location
 - e. Ruth decontamination system commissioned by Hydro Blaster and then winterized
 - f. Ruth lease lot hazard tree removal request reviews
 - g. Quarterly water quality calibrations
 - h. Annual forklift safety training

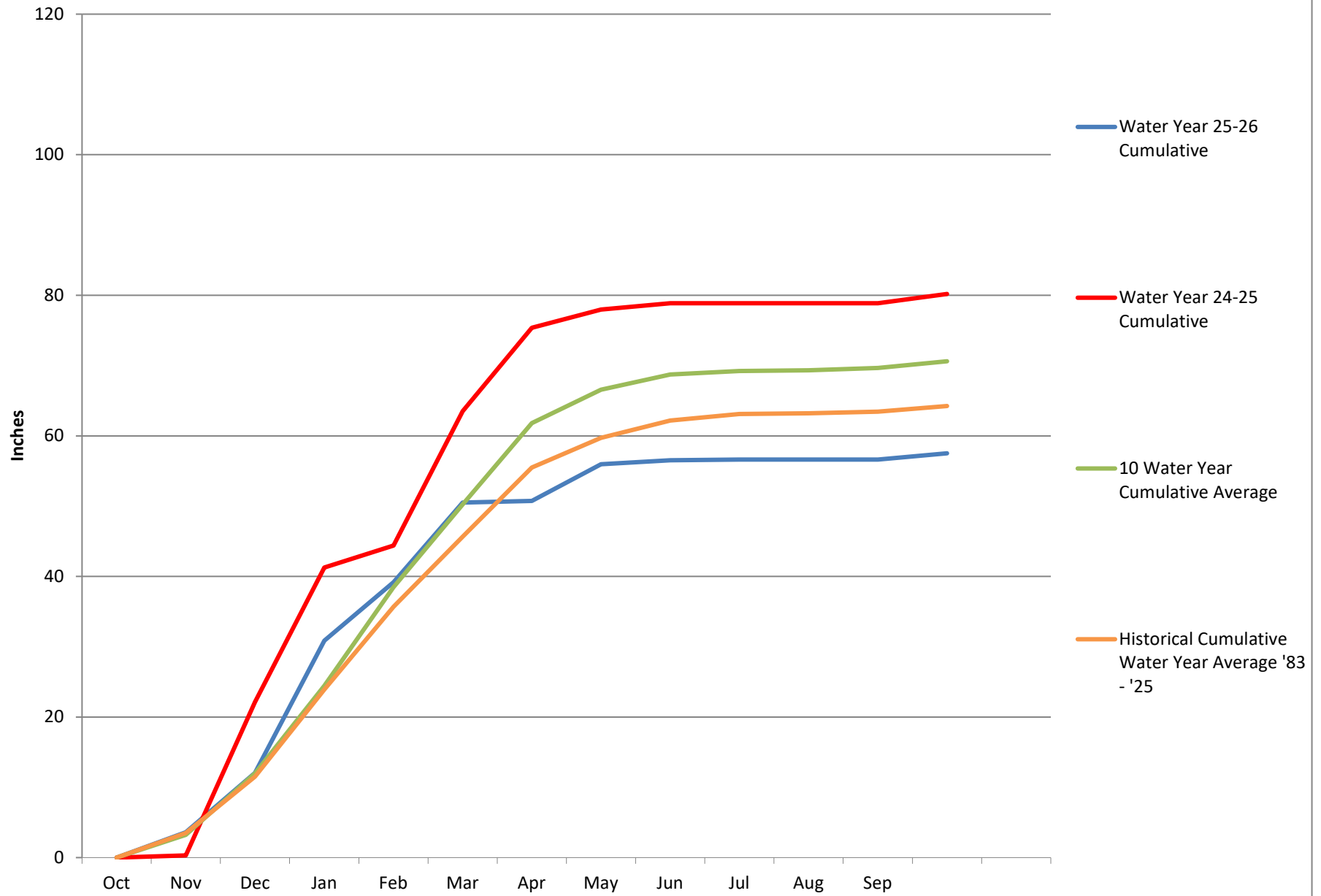
2. September 8th -11th
 - a. Auma valve actuator integration efforts ended pending server upgrade
 - b. TRF annual maintenance and repairs completed
 - c. Hypochlorite line replacement materials and replacement plan
 - d. Preparation work for Collector 4 repairs
 - e. Maintenance Worker and Assistant Maintenance Supervisor interviews
 - f. Laurel Tree fire service cost estimates
 - g. Temporary leak repair on at Sequoia Investment property 1.5" service line
 - h. Ruth headquarters air conditioning unit installation completed
 - i. Maintenance on Ruth headquarters water system maintenance
3. September 14th -18th
 - a. Arcata MOU meeting regarding the AnnieMarie Trail impacts on Essex and Park 1
 - b. Met with MCSD, Arcata, and Days Wireless to discuss the communications tower project at McCluskey tank site
 - c. Kernen Construction and Alternative Structural Technologies (AST) on site for Collector 4 crane support and caisson repairs
 - d. IIA Lifting Services Inc. on site to perform annual crane inspections, and quad testing for collector 4 station bridge crane
 - e. Temporary leak repair for FGCSO at 1691 Glendale Rd on 1" service line. Working on estimates for line replacement and works scheduling
 - f. Repairs at collector 4 complete, demobilization of all equipment
 - g. Onboarding process started for new Maintenance Worker position
 - h. Director procedural and process reviews
 - i. Dive contractor AUS onsite to remove blind flanges on Collector 4 laterals
 - j. Replacement of vacuum trailer purchase
 - k. Dave Corral officially promoted to the EI3 position
4. September 21-25th
 - a. Asphalt cutting for new hypochlorite injection line at Essex
 - b. 12KV electrical overhead system inspections and vegetation clearance trimming
 - c. Annual flow testing of SCBA's for confined space rescue
 - d. Safety manual review process
 - e. Ruth EAP and joint board meeting
 - f. TRF startup process, disinfection, and sampling
5. September 28th -30th
 - a. Ruth Headquarters water disinfection system maintenance
 - b. Fieldbrook meter measuring element replacement for calibration cycle
 - c. PG&E Collector VFD replacement proposal acceptance review update from Ecogreen
 - d. Met with FGCSO to discuss redwood tank safety and structural concerns
 - e. Ruth area post fire grant extension/expansion meeting
6. Current and Ongoing Projects –
 - a. Control server replacement- equipment ordered
 - b. TRF generator project - change orders pending
 - c. Ruth log boom and spillway repairs- scheduled
 - d. Collector lube oil system maintenance
 - e. Points West survey contracts for the dam, spillway, easements, Coll-1 and river data
 - f. Collector 1 river level radar sensor installation
 - g. Flood-fighting containers deliveries
 - h. Spill response equipment trailer, and supplies grant procurement process
 - i. Installation of new Essex 45 KVA Standby generator

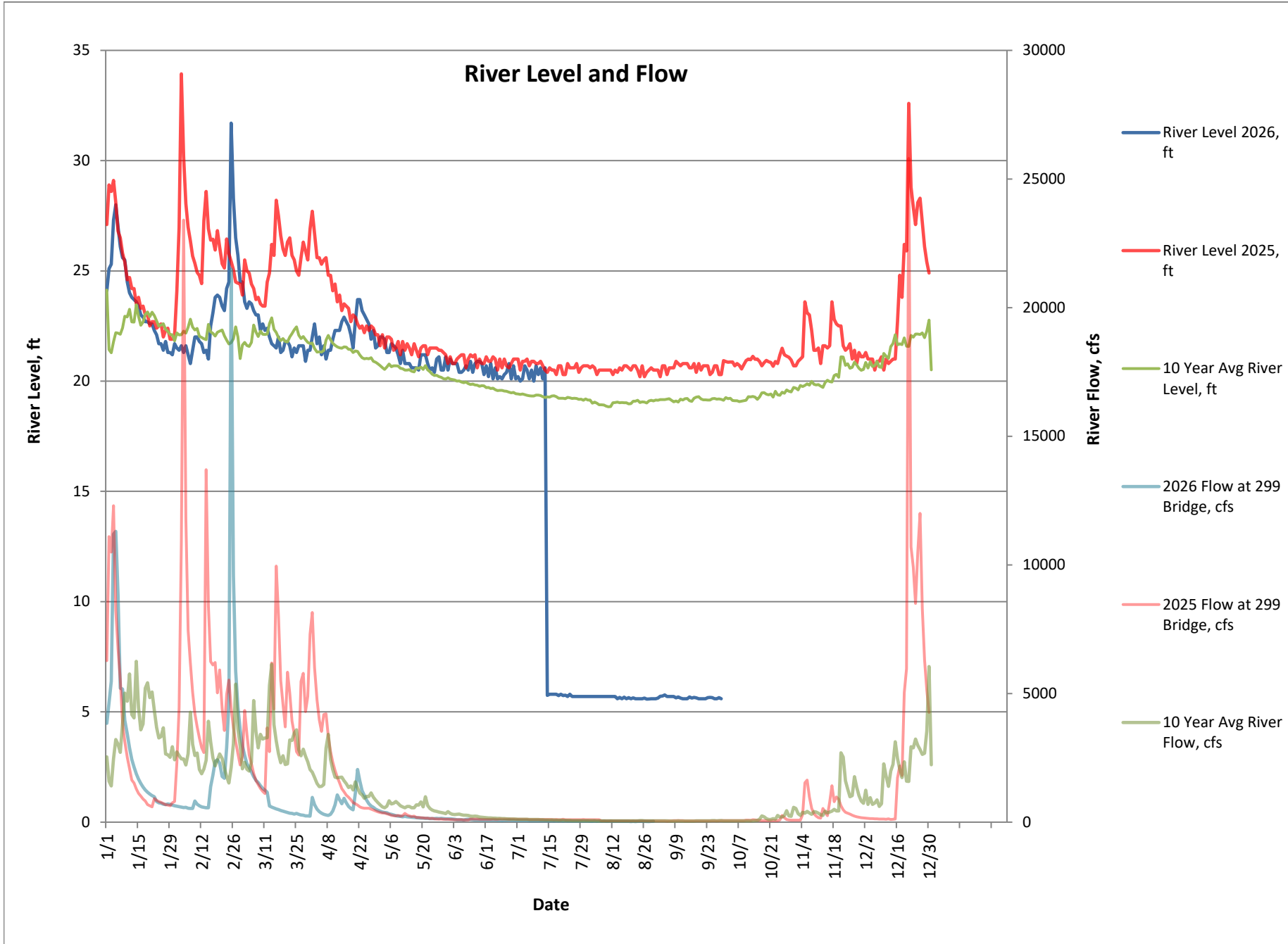
- j. Work on OSHG building upgrades (roofing installation)
- k. Essex hypochlorite line repair/replacement - pending parts and scheduling
- l. District electric vehicle budgetary procurement and charging station installation at Essex
- m. Interviewing process for AMS
- n. Routine annual equipment and fleet maintenance and repairs



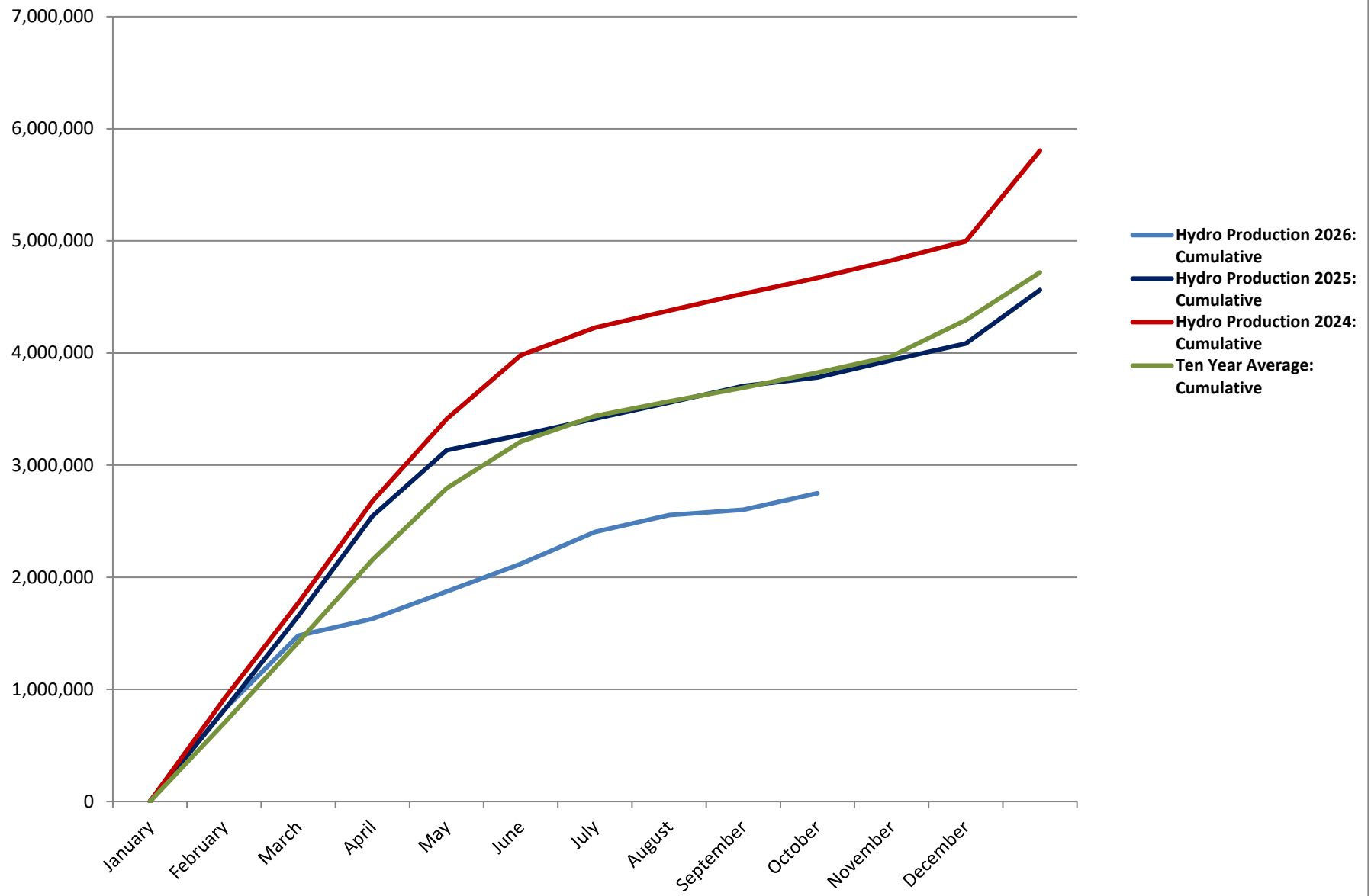


Ruth Rainfall - Water Year 2025-2026





Ruth Hydro Production: Cumulative kWh



Board Meeting Date	October 8, 2026
Type of Meeting	Regular Business Session
Agenda Item No.	6.1.b
Agenda Item	Director of Finance and Human Resources Monthly Report
Presented By	Chris Harris, Director of Finance and Human Resources
Type of Item	INFORMATIONAL
Type of Action	NONE - Receive and File
Purpose	This report provides the Board with informational updates on District Finance and Human Resources activities. It is organized to mirror the Director of Finance and Human Resources performance plan, which cascades from the General Manager's Performance Management System: the Finance and Workforce Summary presents key monthly metrics, Part I reports on Core Operational Responsibilities, and Part II reports Finance and Human Resources progress on the FY27–FY30 Strategic Plan goals.

FINANCE AND WORKFORCE SUMMARY

Key Issues.

ACWA/JPIA Insurance Claim Denied – R.W. Matthews Dam Hydraulic System. On September 22, 2026, the District received a letter from ACWA/JPIA dated September 15 denying its property claim for the March 3, 2026 hydraulic system failure at R.W. Matthews Dam. ACWA/JPIA's inspection found that the damage came from corrosion rather than a sudden or accidental event. Corrosion, deterioration, and wear and tear are specifically excluded under the District's property coverage. The District spent nearly \$500,000 responding to and repairing the failure. When the FY26 books were closed, the District recorded a conservative estimate of \$436,852 for insurance reimbursement so it could complete the year-end PF2 reconciliation with its municipal customers within the 90-day requirement. At no time did ACWA/JPIA provide any indication that the claim (filed March 2026) might be denied. Since that reimbursement will not be received, staff has added the \$436,852 expense to the Project Progress Report (line 42A). This amount will be funded during FY27 through reallocation, which will be brought to the Board at a later date. ACWA/JPIA's letter allows the District to submit more information for review; however, staff does not believe any additional information would change the outcome and does not plan to request reconsideration.

Assistant Electrical & Maintenance Supervisor Recruitment. Recruitment for the Assistant Electrical & Maintenance Supervisor is ongoing. The District received 22 applications, tested 6 candidates, and interviewed 5. Filling this position is difficult in our area. The local pool of candidates with water distribution, water treatment, electrical, mechanical, and supervisory experience the role needs are small, and most qualified people are already employed. Many individuals already work compressed schedules (typically 4/10's) that a Monday–Friday position does not compete well with. In the District's experience, hiring from outside the region rarely works out long term. Until the position is filled, the Maintenance & Electrical Supervisor has no assistant to cover supervisory duties, and the workload falls on the existing crew.

Key Metrics. Month ending September 30, 2026.

Metric	This Month	Comparison	Standard / Target
Budget and Revenue			
Operating revenue, year to date (\$)	\$2,239,752	24% of budget; 25% of year elapsed	Informational
Operating expenditures, year to date (\$)	\$2,232,061	26% of budget; 25% of year elapsed	Informational
Wholesale customer invoices issued on schedule	7 of 7		7 of 7 (O-4.1b)
Cash, Reserves, and Investments			
Cash and investments, month end (\$)	\$14,170,294	Prior month: \$14,341,182	(O-4.1c)
Reserve balances vs. targets	\$6,907,743	Target: \$7,000,000	Per reserve policy (O-4.1c)
Investment policy compliance	Yes		Full compliance (O-4.1c)
Card charges unreconciled / reimbursements over 30 days	0 / 0		Zero (O-4.1d)
Grants and Contracts			
Grant reports and reimbursement requests submitted on time (Grant reports are quarterly)	0 of 0		100% (O-4.2c)
Contracts executed this month / expiring within 90 days	3/0		None expired or unauthorized (O-4.2d)
Workforce			
Authorized positions / filled	28/26	Vacancy rate:7.1%	Informational
Active recruitments	1	Longest open:90-days	No extended vacancies from HR process (O-3.1a)
Hires / separations	0/0	FY to date:1/1	Informational
Employee retention, rolling 12 months (%)	89.3%	(2 terminations, 1 resignation)	90% or greater (E-3c)

Metric	This Month	Comparison	Standard / Target
Payroll errors or late paychecks	Zero		Zero (O-3.1b)
Workers' comp and liability claims, new / open	0/1		Reported within required timeframes (O-3.1e)
Annual performance reviews completed, FY to date (%)	0%		100% by Q4 FY27 (O-3.1c)

PART I – CORE OPERATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Goal O-3: Workforce and Human Resources Management

Staffing and Recruitment.

1. Maintenance Worker: 25 applications; 2 candidates tested & interviewed; offer extended, start date November 1st.
2. Assistant Electrical & Maintenance Supervisor: 22 applications; 6 candidates tested; 5 candidates interviewed.
3. New Maintenance Mechanic I: Position potentially open early 2027
4. New IT Administration position: Job description in progress, timing unknown

Payroll, Benefits, and Leave. Zero payroll issues; no current benefit program changes; open enrollment 10/5/26-10/23/26

Workers' Compensation and Return to Work. No new claims, 1 open (extended) claim (O-3.1e)

Employee Wellbeing and Relations. ACWA/JPIA Wellness Grant 21% expended; Fitness Stipend 6% expended.

Performance Management. All staff evaluations currently pending new evaluation matrix.

Goal O-4: Financial Management – Day to Day Business

Budget Status. September 2026=25% of budget year; **PF2 Revenue** 6%; **Wholesale Revenue** 24%; **Salaries & Employee Benefits Budget** 29%; **Service & Supply Expense Budget** 15%; **Project Budget** 31%; **Prior Year Encumbered Funds** 14% (O-4.2a)

Cash, Reserves, and Investments. **Cash & Investments** \$14,170,294 (decrease of \$170,888 from prior month); **Unrestricted Reserves** \$6,907,743 (decrease of \$159,598 from prior month); **Items impacting Future Cash:** ACWA/JPIA claim denial \$436,852 (O-4.1c)

Billing and Receivables. FGCSO nonpayment for Wholesale or Contract Charges, anticipated early October. (O-4.1b)

Rate & Revenue Stability. No wholesale rate issues; beginning Retail Rate Study (180+/- retail customers)

Audit. FY25 audit (clean opinion, no findings) completed & approved March 2026; FY2026 audit preparation started September 2026.

Grants. FEMA – 3x Tank Seismic Retrofit – project completed; grant funds 100% expended, moving into grant close-out; **FEMA TRF Emergency Generator** – project nearing completion, grant funds 70% expended; **FEMA Advanced Assistance Dam & Spillway Seismic Assessment** – in Grant Withdrawal process, grant funds 37% expended; **FEMA Collector Mainline Redundancy Pipeline** – in Grant Withdrawal process, grant funds 6% expended; **CDFW Invasive Species Prevention Grant** – Project nearing completion, grant funds 60% expended; **CalOES State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Project (SLCGP)** – completing grant agreement paperwork to begin work. (O-4.2c)

Contracts and Procurement. September 2026: 113 approved purchase orders - \$457,495; 3 new contracts - \$92,184; **FY27 YTD:** Purchase Orders: 466 approved - \$1,348,723; Contracts: 19 issued, 17 open, original \$411,576, remaining \$323,744. (O-4.2d, O-4.3a)

Insurance and Risk Management. ACWA/JPIA denied the District's property claim for the March 2026 hydraulic system failure (see Key Issues). No new workers' compensation or liability claims this month; 1 open workers' compensation claim (extended). (O-4.3c)

Goal O-6: Wholesale Customer and Stakeholder Relationships

Customer Financial Coordination. No rate or contract inquiries from wholesale customers; No billing disputes; FGCSO non-payment based on Board meeting timing (\$48,477) (O-6.1a)

PART II – STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS (FY27-FY30)

Goal A: Infrastructure and Assets

Capital Improvement Program Funding. Not started, target 4th quarter FY27 (A-2b)

Goal E: Governance and Organization

Finance Policies (Policy 3000 Series). Started, estimated completion November 2026 (E-2b)

Performance Management System. Annual evaluations are on hold until the new evaluation matrix is finalized; 0% completed fiscal year to date against a target of 100% by Q4 FY27. (E-3a)

Retention and Professional Development. Rolling 12-month retention is 89.3% (2 terminations, 1 resignation), just under the 90% target. Staff is currently evaluating the feasibility of a certification incentive pay program, increased management leave, and an expanded stand-by rotation. These are intended to support retention and build certification coverage. (E-3c)

Succession Planning. Director of Operations and Maintenance retirement (effective November 9, 2026) transition currently underway; Assistant Electrical & Maintenance Supervisor recruitment and the Maintenance Mechanic I opening (early 2027) are both part of near-term succession coverage. Staff is developing a succession risk map identifying positions with near-term retirement eligibility and limited internal backup; completion expected December 2026. (E-3d)

ATTACHMENTS

Please see Financial Reports for additional information

Board Meeting Date	October 8, 2026
Type of Meeting	Regular Business Session
Agenda Item No.	6.1.c
Agenda Item	General Manager’s Monthly Report
Presented By	Michiko Mares, P.E., General Manager
Type of Item	INFORMATIONAL
Type of Action	NONE - Receive and File
Purpose	This report provides the Board with informational updates on District activities at a management level. It is organized to mirror the General Manager’s Performance Management System: Part I reports on Core Operational Responsibilities, and Part II reports progress against the five goals of the FY2027–FY2030 Strategic Plan. Operations and maintenance detail is reported in the Director of Operations and Maintenance Monthly Report. Finance and workforce detail is reported in the Director of Finance and Human Resources Monthly Report.

PART I – CORE OPERATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Goal O-1: Water Service Delivery – Keeping the Water Flowing

Reliable Water Service Delivery. Delivered water reliably to wholesale and retail customers with no unplanned outages.

Drinking Water Quality Compliance. Maintained compliance with all state and federal drinking water regulations during the reporting period.

SWRCB-Drinking Water HBMWD. SWRCB’s review of the District’s proposed scope and schedule for completing an updated Source Water Assessment is on-going.

SWRCB-Drinking Water Fieldbrook. Staff met with Fieldbrook Glendale Community Services District (FGCSD) General Manager to discuss approach for addressing the comments from the SWRCB’s 2025 inspection, including the on-going safety and water quality concerns related to the existing redwood storage tank.

Dam Safety Compliance.

DSOD. Staff completed the following: continued to coordinate with DSOD on the ongoing spillway evaluation; provided historical instrumentation data for R.W. Matthews Dam upon DSOD request for use in DSOD's internal spillway assessment; and prepared hard copy submittals of consultant deliverables prepared under the R.W. Matthews Dam Seismic Stability Project to address prior DSOD comments related to the stability of the spillway.

FERC. Staff completed the following: provided responses to FERC comments received on August 27, 2026 regarding the Revision B Drilling Program Plan for the Embankment Investigation that was prepared under the R.W. Matthews Dam Seismic Stability Project for the purpose of addressing prior Part 12D recommendations related to the ongoing seismic stability of the embankment; transmitted consultant deliverables prepared under the R.W. Matthews Dam Seismic Stability Project for the purpose of addressing prior Part 12D recommendations related to the stability of the spillway; continued to coordinate with FERC to close-out documentation for the March 2026 EAP activation; and performed annual R.W. Matthews Dam Emergency Action Plan (EAP) face-to-face seminar with Trinity County partner agencies.

Environmental Compliance.

CDFW. Staff working with consultant to file an extension of the District's Long-Term Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (LTSAA).

Goal O-6: Wholesale Customer and Partner Relations

Trinity County Roads Division. Staff met with Trinity County Roads Division to discuss the culvert failure at Hetten Cove. Trinity County will complete some repair work prior to the winter season to mitigate potential road failure.

California Special District Association. The District hosted the first annual CSDA Humboldt Area Chapter BBQ at Park 1. Partners from as far as Shelter Cove, Willow Creek, and Redway attended.

Municipal Customer Meeting. The Municipal Customer meeting was held on September 16, 2026.

City of Trinidad. Staff met with the City of Trinidad to discuss potential pathways forward for the North Mainline Extension.

Peninsula Community Services District. Staff executed a cost reimbursement agreement with PCSD to produce information related to PCSD's application for public water system.

Ruth Lake CSD. The Joint Board meeting with Ruth Lake CSD took place on Friday, September 25 at 1 pm at the RLCSD Community Hall on Van Duzen Road. Immediately following the Board meeting, a tour of the Decontamination Station at Ruth Recreation was provided.

PART II – STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS (FY27-FY30)

Goal A: Infrastructure and Assets

Infrastructure Reliability.

Dunes Maintenance Right-of-Way EIR. Draft EIR circulated and public meeting held on September 1, 2026 at the Samoa Women's Club. The public comment period will end October 5, 2026.

Dam Safety and Climate Resilience Grant (DWR DSOD). District has contracted with consultant to assist with preparation for the DSCR grant which should be released within next month or so.

Capital Improvement Plan.

Contract Status Update. Refer to Attachment 1, Contract Status Report, for a detailed summary of current contracts.

EcoGreen Solutions Team. Staff met with EcoGreen to discuss next steps. The energy savings plan was submitted to PGE for approval. At this time, the AFD installation will cost approximately \$1.8M with an 8-year return on investment. If PGE approves the application, EcoGreen can complete the engineering drawings. The District's preferred AFD vendor may not be included in the program which would change the outcome of this opportunity.

Goal B: Watershed and Environmental Stewardship

Baduwa't Watershed Resilience Initiative. Staff met with local indigenous tribes to discuss participation in the BWRI. Seed funding efforts have increased to fund the 3rd party facilitation of a co-creative process to define the vision statement and build the collective. Staff met with the Deputy Director of Statewide Water Resources Planning and Enterprise Project Management. We have invited him to the North coast to meet the BWRI collective and to visit watershed adjacent projects.

In-stream Flow Dedication (1707 Petition for Change). Staff met with the Technical Working Group – Meeting #5 to discuss fall and spring releases to more closely match the natural flow hydrograph at the Zenia Bridge gage station, upstream of the reservoir.

Post Fire Recovery Forest Fuel Treatment. Staff are working with the Watershed Research and Training Center to amend previous Notice of Exemption to perform additional forest fuel treatment on District property as well as adjacent private and public lands. The amended NOE will be brought to the Board for approval at the November Board meeting.

Headwaters Summit at Ruth Lake. Staff will host the Headwaters Summit on October 2, 2026 for wholesale customers and BWRI partners to discuss the interface between the watershed and infrastructure.

Goal E: Governance & Organization

Director On-Boarding Handbook. Staff have updated the Director On-Boarding Handbook and will finalize prior to the new Division 5 Director election and appointment. The upcoming election ballot will include deceased candidate Mary Gellinas.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Contract Status Report

Active Large Contract Progress Report

Project Description	Progress / Status Update	Funding Source / Budget	Active Contracts and Financial Status ¹	Schedule Tracking
Samoa Peninsula Waterline Right-of-Way Maintenance EIR and CDP Studies, EIR, and Permit applications for maintaining District infrastructure on the peninsula. Permit applications include:CDP, Section 404 (not required), 401, CESA, ESA Phase: EIR in progress	<u>Project status:</u> The Draft EIR is being circulated for public review. <u>Progress over the last month:</u> On standby during public review <u>Highlights / milestones / challenges:</u>	HBMWD FY 25/26 Budget (100%): \$40,295	<u>Consulting (GHD)</u> Original Contract Amount: \$337,050 Amendments to Date: \$108,725 Amendments Percent Increase/Decrease: 32% Current Contract Amount: \$445,775 Total Invoiced to Date: \$418,674 Percent Invoiced to Date: 94%	Contract Award Date: 1/20/2023 Amendment 3 Date: 5/6/2025 Current Contract Completion: 12/31/2026 Draft EIR Estimated Completion: Completed Public Meeting: 9/1/2026 Permit App Estimated Submission: 11/6/2026 Mitigation Negotiations & Plan Est. 12/15/2026 Percent Schedule Elapsed: 94%
Matthews Dam Seismic Stability DR4569-PA0538 Geotechnical and seismic studies to determine the response of Matthews Dam to the Cascadia seismic event and whether retrofits are required. Also includes 65% design and CEQA if retrofits are required. Phase: Studies being performed	<u>Project status:</u> GEI submitted final invoice. District is working on grant close out documents.	<u>HMGP Advance Assistance Grant (Current)</u> Cal OES / FEMA (75% Share): \$1,532,963 HBMWD (25% Match): \$510,988 Total Current Project Budget: \$2,043,950 <u>HMGP Adv. Assist. Grant Total Request (Response Pending)</u> Cal OES / FEMA (75% Requested Share): \$3,482,963 HBMWD (25% Proposed Match): \$1,160,988 HBMWD (100% Self-Fund): \$91,374 Total Requested Project Budget: \$4,735,325	<u>Consulting (GEI)</u> Original Contract Amount: \$2,945,139 Amendments to Date: \$152,197 Amendments Percent Increase/Decrease: 5% Current Contract Amount: \$3,097,336 Total Invoiced to Date: \$749,432 Percent Invoiced to Date: 24% Anticipated Contract Amount (if SOW revision approved): \$4,730,407	Contract Award Date: 5/29/2025 Original Contract Completion: 12/31/2027 Extended Calendar Days: 0 Current Contract Completion: 12/31/2027 Estimated Completion: 11/18/2027 Percent Schedule Elapsed: 52% Grant SOW Completion: 5/30/2026 Grant Period of Performance: 8/28/2026
Matthews Dam Part 12D Comprehensive Assessment FERC requirement to evaluate Matthews Dam's current integrity and long-term safety Phase: Studies being performed	Continued risk assessment and development of Comprehensive Assessment Report (CAR).	HBMWD FY 25/26 Budget (100%): \$504,865	Original Contract Amount: \$538,621 Amendments to Date: \$224,182 Amendments Percent Increase/Decrease: 42% Current Contract Amount: \$762,803 Total Invoiced to Date: \$618,680 Percent Invoiced to Date: 81%	Contract Award Date: 11/25/2024 Original Contract Completion: 1/31/2027 Extended Calendar Days: 0 Current Contract Completion: 1/31/2027 Estimated Completion: 1/31/2027 Percent Schedule Elapsed: 85%

¹This report summarizes the statuses of current contracts and may not correlate with current financial statements.

Active Large Contract Progress Report

Project Description	Progress / Status Update	Funding Source / Budget	Active Contracts and Financial Status ¹	Schedule Tracking
Turbidity Reduction Facility Generator DR4558-PJ0389 The existing 100 kW generator at the TRF only powers the chemical pumps. The project includes installation of a new 750 kW genearator to power backwash pumps and other critical components. Phase: Construction	<u>Project status:</u> Project on standby until functional testing tentatively scheduled for 11/16/26 - 11/20/26. <u>Progress over the last month:</u> PACE worked with the contractor and District to address the previously identified punch list items and work on project closeout in preparation for FAT. <u>Highlights / milestones / challenges:</u>	<u>HMGP Phase Two Grant (Current)</u> Cal OES / FEMA (75% Share): \$1,303,876 HBMWD (25% Match): \$434,625 Total Phase Two Project Budget: \$1,738,501 <u>HBMWD Match Budget</u> HBMWD (25% Match): \$434,625 Contingency: \$162,254 Total HBMWD Match Budget: \$596,879	<u>Construction (Wahlund)</u> Original Contract Amount: \$1,193,600 Change Orders to Date: \$36,962 Change Order Percent Increase/Decrease: 3% Current Contract Amount: \$1,230,562 Total Invoiced to Date: \$1,109,850 Percent Invoiced to Date: 93% <u>Engineering and Construction Management (PACE)</u> Original Contract Amount: \$432,000 Amendments to Date: \$0 Amendments Percent Increase/Decrease: 0% Current Contract Amount: \$432,000 Total Invoiced to Date: \$244,569 Percent Invoiced to Date: 57% Total Current Phase Two Contract Amount: \$1,662,562	Notice of Award: 3/14/2025 Notice to Proceed: 4/11/2025 Original Contract Calendar Days: 361 Original Contract Completion: 4/7/2026 Extended Calendar Days: 268 Current Contract Completion: 12/31/2026 Estimated Completion: 12/31/2026 Percent Schedule Elapsed: 86% Grant SOW Completion: 2/10/2027 Grant Period of Performance: 7/10/2027
Reservoirs Seismic Retrofit DR4344-PJ0040 Seismic retrofit of the District's three tanks to meet current California Building Code seismic requirements. Phase: Construction	Project complete. Issued final payment on September 11.	<u>HMGP Phase Two Grant (Current)</u> Cal OES / FEMA (75% share up to \$4,058,768): \$4,058,768 HBMWD (25% Match + Remainder): \$3,529,741 Total Current Phase Two Project Budget: \$7,588,509 <u>HMGP Phase Two Grant Total Request (Response Pending)</u> Cal OES / FEMA (75% Requested Share): \$5,187,864 HBMWD (25% Match + Remainder): \$2,400,645 Total Requested Phase Two Project Budget: \$7,588,509 <u>HBMWD Match Budget</u> HBMWD Match Requirement: \$3,529,741 Contingency: \$ (1,017,037) Total HBMWD Match Budget: \$2,512,704	<u>Samoa Construction (Paso Robles Tank)</u> Original Contract Amount: \$2,357,200 Change Orders to Date: \$24,187 Change Order Percent Increase/Decrease: 1% Current Contract Amount: \$2,381,387 Total Invoiced to Date: \$2,381,387 Percent Invoiced to Date: 100% <u>Korblex Construction (Paso Robles Tank)</u> Original Contract Amount: \$3,992,008 Change Orders to Date: \$128,634 Change Order Percent Increase/Decrease: 3% Current Contract Amount: \$4,120,642 Total Invoiced to Date: \$4,120,642 Percent Invoiced to Date: 100% <u>Construction Management (Albat)</u> Original Contract Amount: \$336,642 Amendments to Date: \$347,920 Amendments Percent Increase/Decrease: 103% Current Contract Amount: \$684,562 Total Invoiced to Date: \$624,924 Percent Invoiced to Date: 91% <u>Design and Engineering Services during Construction (GHD)</u> Original Contract Amount: \$263,148 Amendments to Date: \$0 Amendments Percent Increase/Decrease: 0% Current Contract Amount: \$263,148 Total Invoiced to Date: \$258,200 Percent Invoiced to Date: 98% Total Current Phase Two Contract Amount: \$7,449,739	<u>Samoa Construction</u> Notice of Award: July 2024 Notice to Proceed: 8/13/2024 Original Contract Calendar Days: 280 Original Contract Completion: 5/20/2025 Extended Calendar Days: 443 Current Contract Completion: 8/6/2026 Estimated Completion: Completed Percent Schedule Elapsed: 108% <u>Korblex Construction</u> Notice of Award: July 2024 Notice to Proceed: 8/13/2024 Original Contract Calendar Days: 310 Original Contract Completion: 6/19/2025 Extended Calendar Days: 351 Current Contract Completion: 6/5/2026 Estimated Completion: Completed Percent Schedule Elapsed: 118% <u>Grant Deadlines</u> Grant SOW Completion: 7/2/2026 Grant Period of Performance: 9/30/2026

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NO ATTACHMENT FOR THIS ITEM

- General Manager Evaluation Committee met on 9/16 .

Directors Report

ACWA-ACWA/JPIA