

Notice of Public Meeting

COORDINATING COMMITTEE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2026

Time: 10:00 – 12:00 PM

Location: To be hosted remotely by Yolo County RCD with in-person attendance options at each member agency – [meeting access information at end of agenda](#)

AGENDA

1. **Call Meeting to Order and Introductions** – Leicht
2. ***Approve Consent Agenda** – Leicht
 - a. **Approve Today's Agenda** **To add an item to the agenda, see the note below
 - b. **Approve Minutes from the Wednesday, January 14, 2026, meeting**
 - c. **YCRCD Financial Update** – Reza
 - d. **Coordinating Committee Financial Report** – SCWA
3. ***** Public Comment:** This is time reserved for the public to address the Coordinating Committee on matters not on the agenda
4. **Dunnigan Groundwater Recharge Project update** – Ryan Fulton, LWA
5. **Presentation: Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Projects -**
Presenter, Mark Snyder
6. **DWR Update** – Siltanen
7. ***Reducing # of yearly CC meetings** – Reza
8. **RWMG IRWM Projects update – CC input** – Reza
9. ***Re-Consideration of a procedure for Letters of Support for projects that support the Westside Sac IRWM Plan** – All
10. ***Consideration of waiving FY2026-2027 IRWM CC member dues** – Mark Snyder
11. **Drought, flood management, and water supply Roundtable** – All
12. **CC Member and Administrative Coordinator Reports, Regional Activities and Updates** – All
13. **Confirm Next Meeting Date and Location** – Wednesday, May 13, 2026, 10:00 am.
14. **Adjourn**

*Indicates Action Item

** Consideration of items not on the posted agenda: items must fit one of the following categories: 1) a majority determination that an emergency (as defined by the Brown Act) exists; or 2) a three-fourths vote by Coordinating Committee members present that the need to take action arose subsequent to the agenda being posted.



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*** Members of the public may address any subject that is not otherwise on the agenda during Public Comment. Reasonable time limits will be imposed. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing was posted prior to 10 AM on March 6, 2026, on the door of the offices of the Lake County Water Resources Dept., Napa County Flood Control, Solano County Water Agency, Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, and the Yolo County Resource Conservation District.

Sarah Leicht, Chair _____ Date _____



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IN-PERSON MEETING LOCATIONS

Lake County

Lake County Superior Courthouse, Conference Room C
255 N. Forbes St
Lakeport CA, 95453
Questions on access: 707-263-2344

Napa County

Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Office
River Room
804 First Street,
Napa, CA 94558

Solano County

Solano County Water Agency
810 Vaca Valley Parkway, Suite 203
Vacaville, CA 95688

Yolo County

Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District
34274 State Hwy 16
Woodland, CA 95695

VIRTUAL MEETING LINK

Yolo County RCD is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Westside Sac IRWM CC regular meeting

Time: Nov 12, 2025 10:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88625282490?pwd=8qGdQjgp7UEh4YZRVkVCvdbbXbMLK0.1>

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COORDINATING COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, January 14, 2026 **Time:** 10:00 – 12:00
Location: Hybrid meeting; remote hosting by Yolo County RCD

Coordinating Committee Members Attending:

County		Representative		Alternate
Solano	✓	Max Stevenson, SCWA		Drew Gantner, SCWA
Napa	✓	Mark Snyder, NC Flood Control & Water Conservation District (NCFC & WCD)		Richard Thomasser, NCFC & WCD
Yolo	✓	Sarah Leicht, Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency	✓	Sabrina Snyder, Yolo County
Lake	✓	Pawan Upadhyay, Lake County Water Resources Department		

1. Call Meeting to Order and Introductions – 10:06 AM

Others Present: Lynn Rodriguez, Rodriguez Consulting; Ryan Fulton, LWA; Sachi Itagaki, Kennedy Jenks; Katriona Fesmire, LCSD

2. *Approve Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Today’s Agenda ****To add an item to the agenda, see the note below**
- b. Approve Minutes from the November 12, 2025 meeting
- c. YCRCD Financial Update – Reza
- d. Coordinating Committee Financial Report – SCWA

Motion: Approve consent agenda: Stevenson; Second: Leicht; Roll call: Leicht: y, Stevenson: y, Upadhyay: y, M. Snyder: y. Approved.

3. * Public Comment:** No public comment.

4. Presentation: Ventura River Watershed Resilience Pilot Project – Lynn Rodriguez, Rodriguez Consulting

Ms. Rodriguez provided an overview of the Ventura River Watershed’s experience as a DWR Watershed Resilience Pilot Project. Ms. Rodriguez has been involved in IRWM since 2005. Her slides are included in this packet.

5. DWR Update – Siltanen

Mr. Siltanen was not at the meeting, but he provided an update with highlighted items that was provided in the agenda packet.

6. Dunnigan Groundwater Recharge Project update – Ryan Fulton, LWA

Mr. Fulton provided an update on the Dunnigan Groundwater Recharge Project, using the slides attached to these minutes.

7. IRWM Transition Plan – All

CC members discussed future options, with most agreeing that pursuing a Watershed Resilience Plan would be too much work and that pursuing funding opportunities to implement existing plan projects would be more feasible. The group agreed that it was too early to make any decisions and would wait to see how Prop 4 funding plays out. The possibility of participating as one of multiple groups in watershed resilience planning was considered. Mr. Snyder suggested that the CC may want to reduce the number of meetings. Kate will check whether six meetings per year

are mandated in the plan and will report back at the next meeting, adding it as an agenda item for March. Mr. Upadhyay suggested it may be acceptable if there are updates between meetings.

8. Consideration of a procedure for Letters of Support for projects that support the Westside Sac IRWM Plan – All

The CC members decided that projects should support at least two IRWM goals. Before providing a letter of support for a project, the Administrative Coordinator will send the project description to the CC. If any member wants to discuss the project, they must respond within one week, and a special meeting will be called. Kate will email the draft to everyone!

9. Drought, flood management, and water supply Roundtable – All

Yolo: Water supply looks very good; sufficient irrigation water for the coming year. Looking to beat their record for recharge this year. So far, more than 1K acres of recharge have been signed up, and flooding began today. Some flooding on county roads, but not severe. The SB552 drought plan is available for public review on the County OES website.

Napa: All reservoirs are full, except Hennesy. Lots of rain, but no flooding yet. So far, so good.

Lake: Clear Lake is at 6.6 feet; it will be full at 8 feet. Doing well; if it fills, it will be the fourth consecutive year.

10. CC Member and Administrative Coordinator Reports, Regional Activities and Updates – All

11. Confirm Next Meeting Date and Location – Wednesday, March 11, 2026, 10:00 am.

12. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at: 11:49 AM.

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Integrated Regional Water Management Plan

Westside Sacramento IRWM Coordination by YCRCD Budget Overview					
Tasks	Budget				
	As of	9/30/2025	12/31/2025	3/31/2026	Remaining
1 MEETING FACILITATION AND SUPPORT					
Labor					
Administrative Coordinator	\$15,400.00	-\$2,997.50	-\$2,062.50	-\$1,457.50	\$8,882.50
Labor Total	\$15,400.00	-\$2,997.50	-\$2,062.50	-\$1,457.50	\$8,882.50
Materials					
Office supplies	\$150.00	-\$72.00		-\$26.93	\$51.07
Certificate of Insurance	\$125.00				\$125.00
Computer/Software	\$200.00			-\$141.96	\$58.04
Meeting Refreshments	\$150.00				\$150.00
Materials Total	\$625.00	-\$72.00		-\$168.89	\$384.11
Travel	\$140.00				\$140.00
1 MEETING FACILITATION AND SUPPORT Total	\$16,165.00	-\$3,069.50	-\$2,062.50	-\$1,626.39	\$9,406.61
2 PUBLIC OUTREACH					
Labor					
Administrative Coordinator	\$11,000.00	-\$2,667.50	-\$3,850.00	-\$880.00	\$3,602.50
Outreach Coordinator	\$4,000.00				\$4,000.00
Labor Total	\$15,000.00	-\$2,667.50	-\$3,850.00	-\$880.00	\$7,602.50
Materials					
IT Support/Computer	\$1,200.00	-\$300.00	-\$300.00	-\$100.00	\$500.00
Materials Total	\$1,200.00	-\$300.00	-\$300.00	-\$100.00	\$500.00
2 PUBLIC OUTREACH Total	\$16,200.00	-\$2,967.50	-\$4,150.00	-\$980.00	\$8,102.50
3 DATA MANAGEMENT					
Labor					
Administrative Coordinator	\$13,200.00	-\$1,897.50	-\$1,980.00	-\$1,457.50	\$7,865.00
Labor Total	\$13,200.00	-\$1,897.50	-\$1,980.00	-\$1,457.50	\$7,865.00
3 DATA MANAGEMENT Total	\$13,200.00	-\$1,897.50	-\$1,980.00	-\$1,457.50	\$7,865.00
4 OTHER DUTIES AS NEEDED TO SUPPORT THE CC					
Labor					
Administrative Coordinator	\$15,400.00	-\$1,870.00	-\$1,732.50	-\$907.50	\$10,890.00
Labor Total	\$15,400.00	-\$1,870.00	-\$1,732.50	-\$907.50	\$10,890.00
4 OTHER DUTIES AS NEEDED TO SUPPORT THE CC Total	\$15,400.00	-\$1,870.00	-\$1,732.50	-\$907.50	\$10,890.00
5 ADMINISTRATION					
Administration					
Administration (15% on non-personnel)	\$294.75	-\$55.80	-\$45.00	-\$19.04	\$174.91
Administration Total	\$294.75	-\$55.80	-\$45.00	-\$19.04	\$174.91
5 ADMINISTRATION Total	\$294.75	-\$55.80	-\$45.00	-\$19.04	\$174.91
Remaining	\$61,259.75	-\$9,860.30	-\$9,970.00	-\$4,990.43	\$36,439.02

Napa Update

Skyline Park

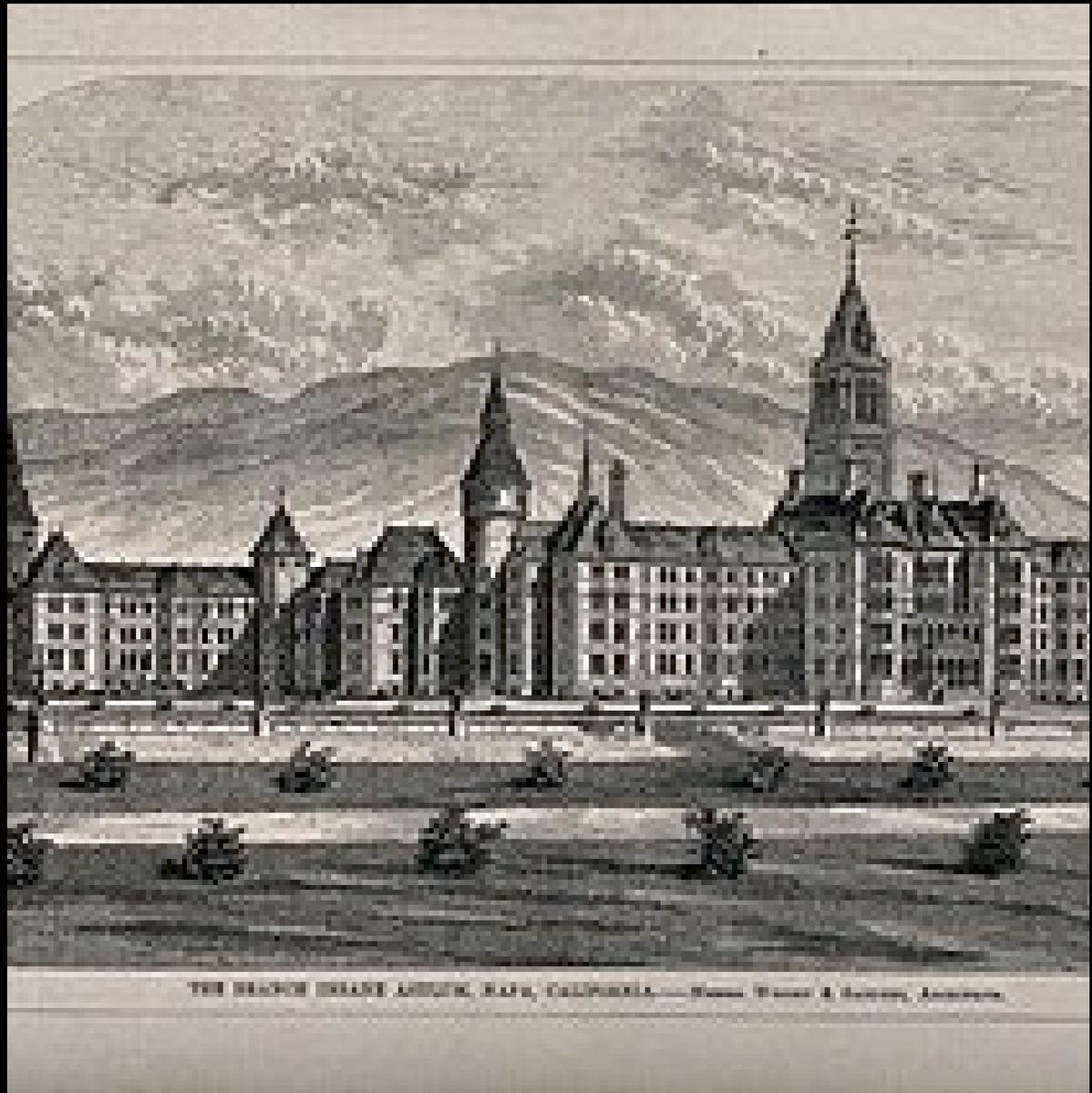
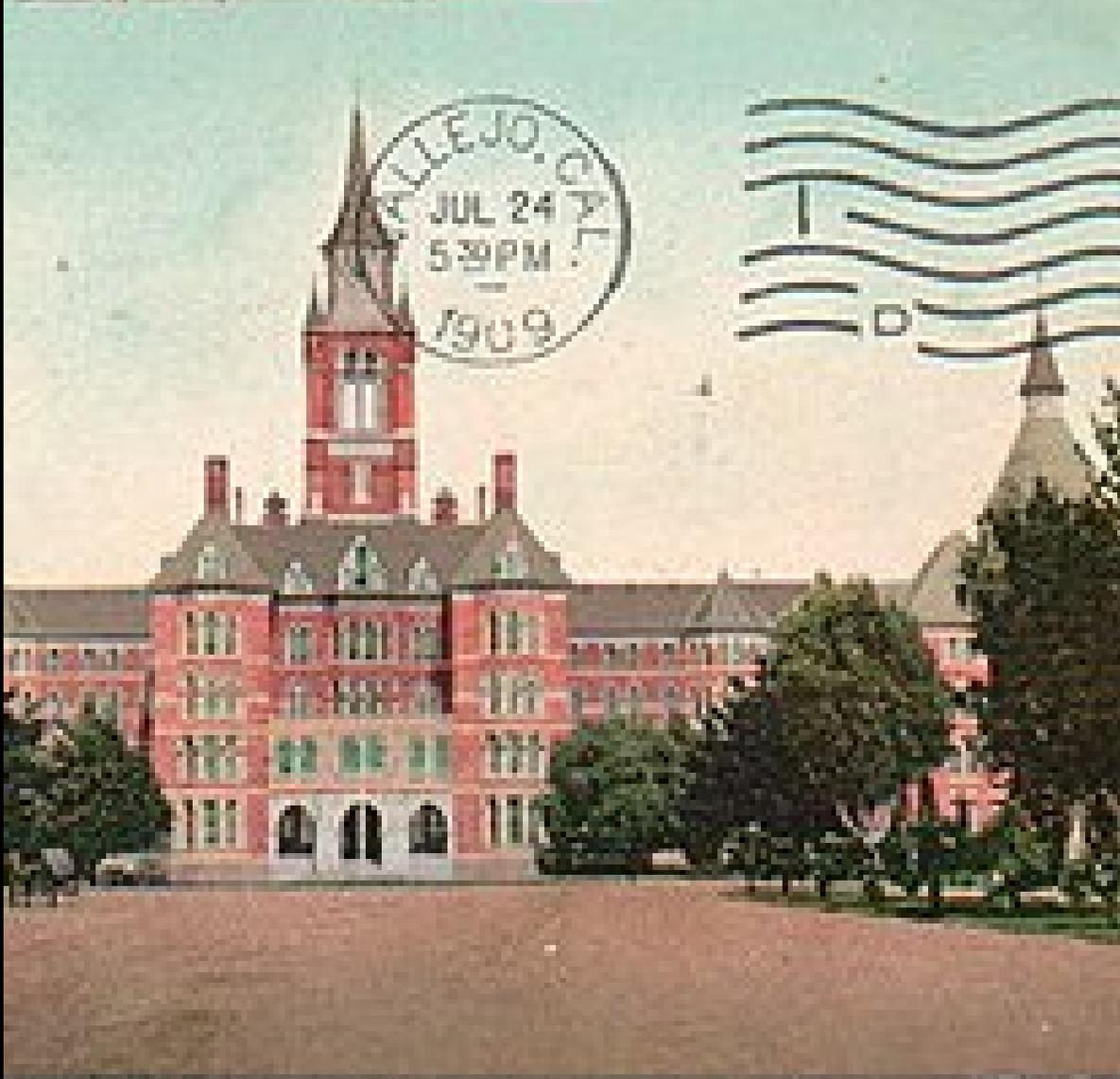
Plaas Vineyards

Flood Project North of Floodwalls

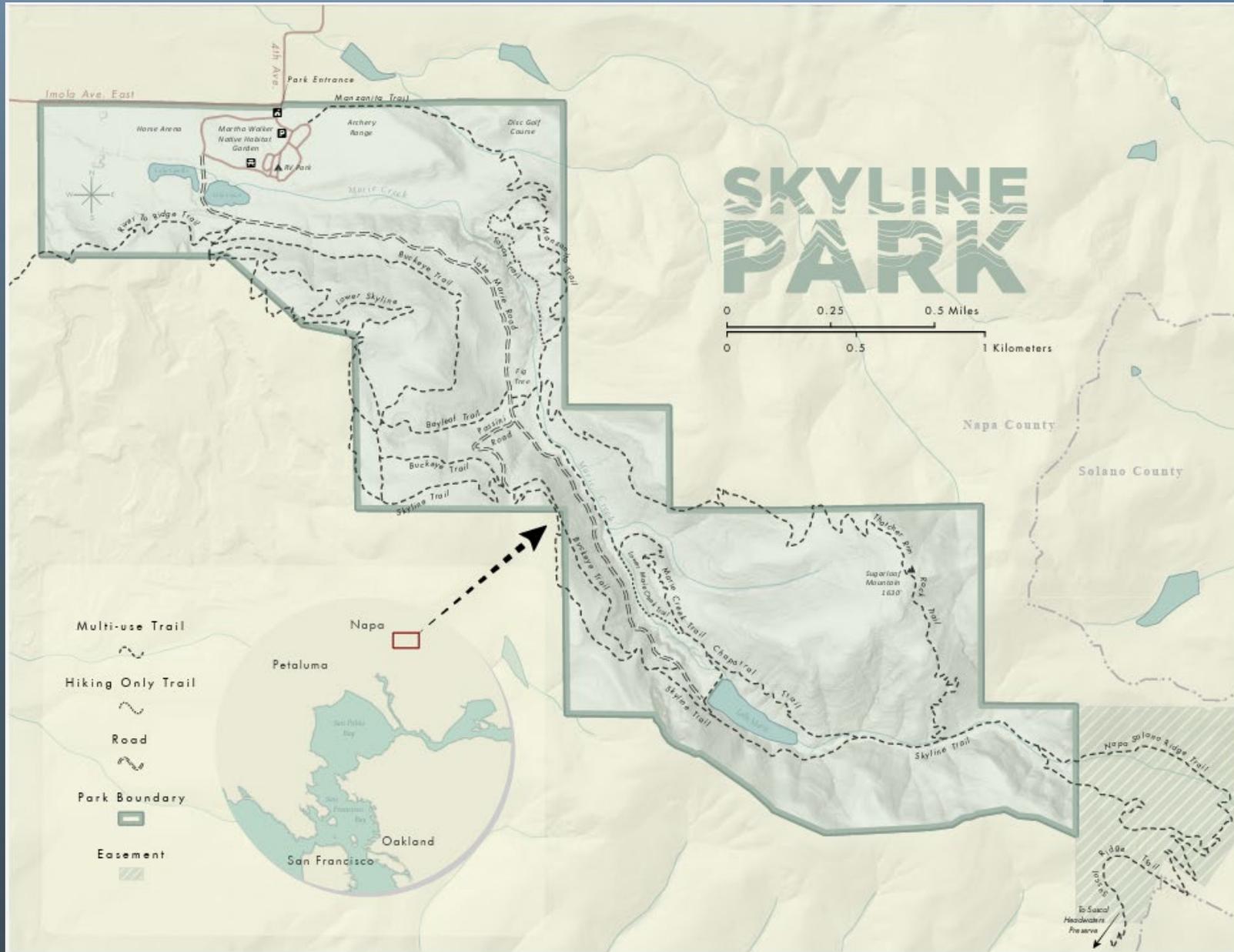
Skyline Wilderness Park (850 acres)

- Purchased from State of California by County of Napa in 2025
- Leased from State to County for 50 years starting in 1980.
- Park area was previously used & maintained by the Napa Insane Asylum (now Napa State Hospital).
- Lake Marie created 1908

ENLINE, MARI, CALIFORNIA, FRONT VIEW.



THE BRANCH BRANK, MARI, CALIFORNIA. — Photo. Frank B. ...





Plaas Vineyard (49.4 acres)

- Purchased by Napa County Flood Control District in 2025





S Napa-Vallejo Hwy

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Stewart Ranch

Napa River

Kennedy Park

Kennedy Duck Pond

Napa River Trail

North Bay BMX

West Coast RC Flyers

Google Earth

Tidal wetlands within SWOA
immediately adjacent to Project area
(High tide)



Levee to be breached





Project Area



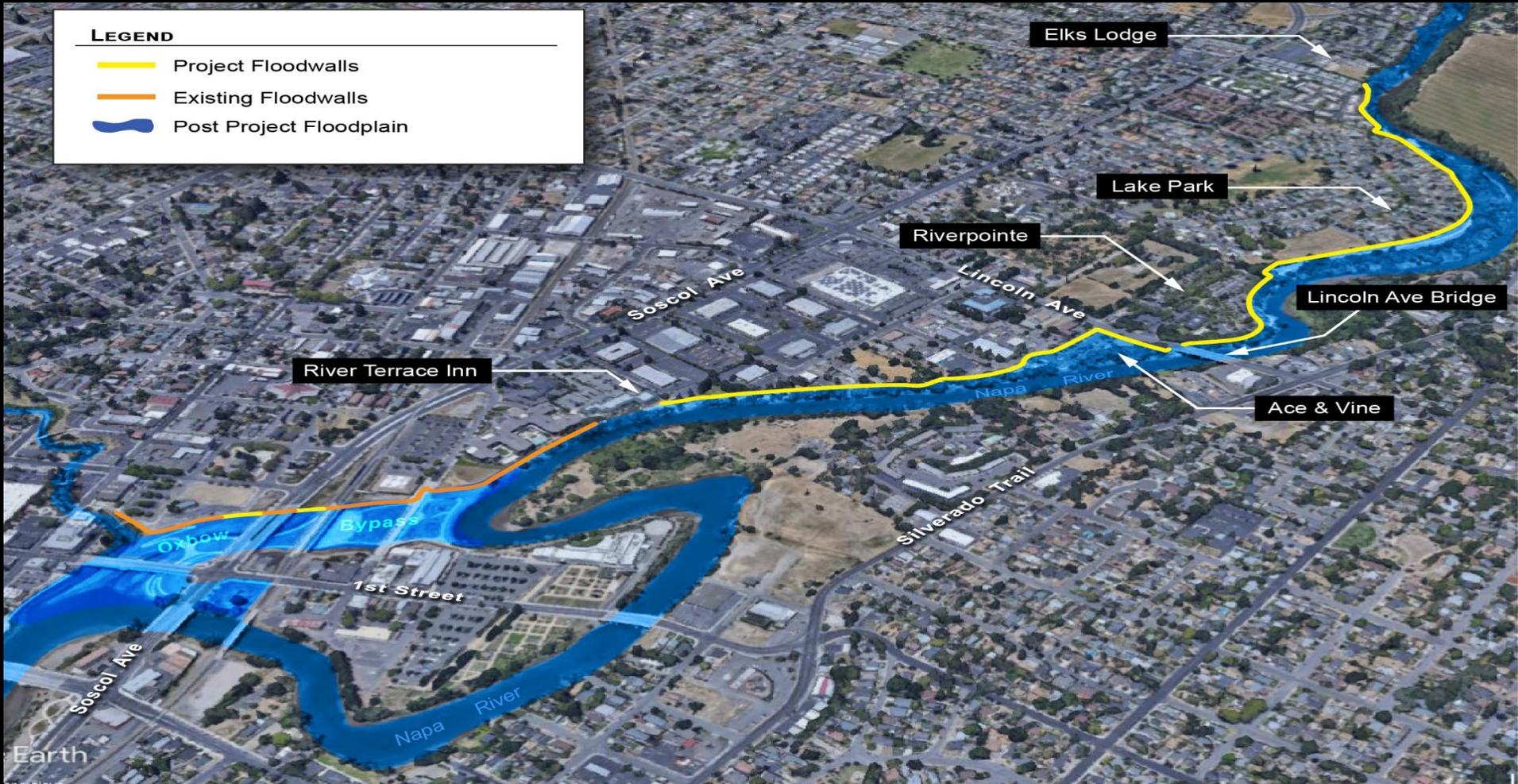
Project Area

Levee which would be breached at strategic locations to reintroduce tidal influence with boardwalk system developed on top of levee

Project Update

Completion of Floodwalls North of the Bypass include:

- *Construction of over 6,000 linear feet of floodwalls resulting in approx. 400 properties being removed from the 100-year floodplain*
- *Building over 2,000 linear feet of new public trails*

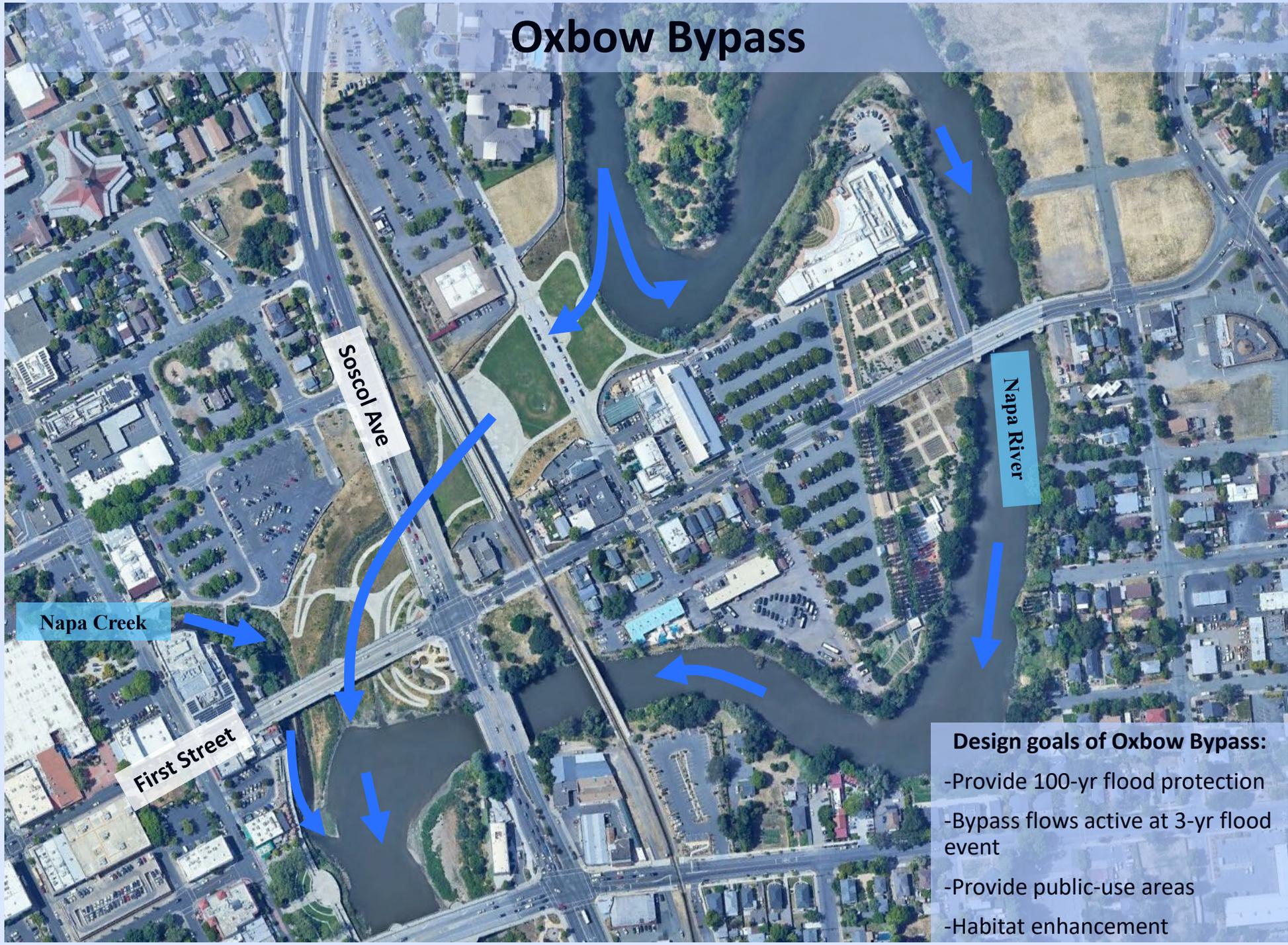


Veterans Park Floodwalls



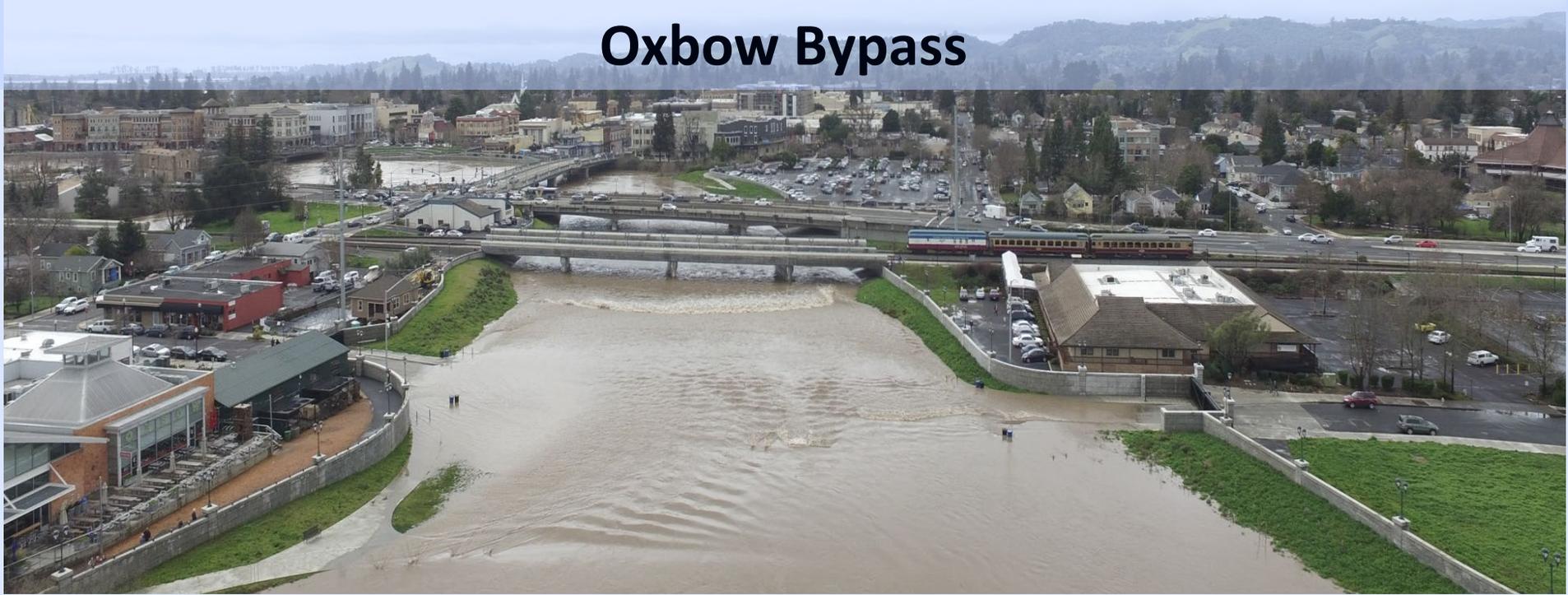
In addition to providing flood protection, project elements included creation and expansion of recreational areas

Oxbow Bypass



- Design goals of Oxbow Bypass:**
- Provide 100-yr flood protection
 - Bypass flows active at 3-yr flood event
 - Provide public-use areas
 - Habitat enhancement

Oxbow Bypass



February 2026 DWR Updates (from DWR's North Central Region Office)

Grants

California Grants Portal

The California State Library, in partnership with the Department of Water Resources and other state grantmaking agencies, has launched the California Grants Portal – your one destination to find all state grant and loan opportunities provided on a first-come or competitive basis. Visit grants.ca.gov to find funding opportunities for you and your community.

Prop 4, Bond Grant Funds

Here is a link to sign up for DWR's Prop 4 [email notification list](#). There is a bill under consideration, AB 35, that if passed would significantly shorten program development timeline. There will be public scoping meetings to inform the program in 2026, which will be announced through the list serve linked above.

DWR's Underrepresented Communities and Small Farmer Technical Assistance Program

The mission of the Program is to determine the needs, risks, and vulnerabilities with the implementation of the SGMA for underrepresented communities and small farms in medium and high priority basins, including critically overdrafted (COD) basins. The types of services provided include, but are not limited to: Groundwater level monitoring; Aquifer testing to determine long-term yield and supply; Identifying Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems (GDEs); Analyze well interference; Identifying additional water supply; Analyze existing well condition using downhole video log; Rehabilitation of water storage tank; Long-term water supply and demand analysis; Analyze and help to facilitate water transfers. [More information is available on the webpage](#). **Local entities can request services by emailing SGM_TA@water.ca.gov.**

Upcoming conferences, webinars, new reports and data

DWR Invites You to Celebrate Groundwater Awareness Week March 9-13, 2026

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) invites you to kick off National Groundwater Awareness Week 2026 by joining virtual events during the week focused on DWR's Basin Characterization Program Highlights, interactive conversations with groundwater sustainability agencies (GSAs), connections with GSAs and DWR staff by region, and updates from DWR. DWR will also release its final *California's Groundwater: Bulletin 118 – Update 2025* (CaLW Update 2025) during Groundwater Awareness Week. Check out the summary of events and find registration links in the flyer linked here: [Groundwater Awareness Week 2026 Events Flyer.pdf](#)

Design of Proposition 4 Watershed Resilience Program: Survey for Public Input Open until March 6th

The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) invites you to participate in a short survey to help inform development of the upcoming Proposition 4 Watershed Resilience Program. This new program will combine funding from the following two sections of Proposition 4 to make approximately \$152 million available for grants statewide:

- Section 91019 (Conservation), for projects that increase water conservation in agricultural and urban areas, and
- Section 91031 (Climate Resilience), for projects related to integrated regional water management to improve climate resilience on a watershed basis

Please complete this approximately 20-minute survey: <https://forms.office.com/g/ZXFXYYV98Q6>. The survey will remain open until **March 6, 2026, 11:59PM**. Survey responses will help DWR understand community needs, funding priorities, and address potential implementation challenges.

DWR Releases Final Subsidence BMP and Educational Resource Webpage

DWR has released a [final Best Management Practices document](#), that will serve as a guide for groundwater managers on the basics of subsidence, how to best manage it, and available technical assistance.

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DWR has also launched a [new webpage dedicated to providing educational resources and information about land subsidence](#) in California, particularly as it relates to groundwater use and sustainable groundwater management. The resources available on this page are designed to help the public better understand subsidence and associated potential impacts. The page will be updated with educational materials, data, best management practices, and project information as it is available.

California's Groundwater: Bulletin 118 – Update 2025

DWR released the [Draft California's Groundwater: Bulletin 118 – Update 2025 \(CalGW Update 2025\)](#). CalGW Update 2025 provides a comprehensive inventory and assessment of available information on the occurrence and nature of groundwater and informs decisions on the protection, use, monitoring and management of the resource. This five-year update builds on the CalGW Update 2020 by integrating data submitted to DWR by local agencies under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), including information reported in Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSP), Alternatives to GSPs, annual reports, and other groundwater initiatives. CalGW Update 2025 is part of a comprehensive suite of resources designed to support groundwater understanding and management across the state, including the [Semi-Annual Updates](#), [CalGW Live](#), and the [Basin Characterization](#) program. The full document as well as a highlights document (in English and Spanish) and all appendices can be [downloaded here](#).

DWR presented an overview of the Draft CalGW Update 2025 at a public virtual webinar meeting on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, from noon to 1:00 p.m. The [recording can be viewed here](#) in English or Spanish.

Preliminary Sac Valley Aquifer Recharge Potential Maps Available

New: [Aquifer Recharge Potential maps](#) and a [process document](#) are now available to download from the [Basin Characterization CNRA Open Data Portal](#). Note– we'll be updating the ARP Process Document later in October.

DWR Releases Second and Third Paper on Depletions of Interconnected Surface Water

To help GSAs address the depletion of interconnected surface water (ISW) in their Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs), the DWR released the second and third in a series of three draft papers that discuss the technical aspects of ISW and quantification of depletions of ISW caused by groundwater pumping. The first paper (Paper 1), [Depletions of Interconnected Surface Water: An Introduction](#), introduced concepts associated with ISW, including approaches for identifying ISW and defining depletion of ISW from groundwater pumping. The second paper (Paper 2), [Techniques for Estimating Interconnected Surface Water Depletion Caused by Groundwater Use](#), continues the foundational concepts presented in Paper 1 by discussing the data requirements, methods, and general implementation process to consider for ISW depletion analyses. The final paper (Paper 3), [Examples for Estimating Interconnected Surface Water Depletion Caused by Groundwater Use](#), continues and expands upon the topics presented in Paper 2 by providing detailed examples of using numerical models to evaluate depletion of ISW. A pre-recorded webinar that summarizes the contents of the three papers and describes the next steps in the development of the guidance document [can be viewed here](#).

The DRAFT ISW guidance document is *tentatively* scheduled for first quarter 2026 for public release.

SGMA Updates and Tools

Update Your GSA and GSP Manager Point of Contact Information in DWR's SGMA Portal

If your GSA and/or GSP Plan Manager Point of Contact (POC) is not current, or you are not sure, please visit the SGMA Portal to ensure that your contact information is up-to-date. When logged in, the Portal allows edits to be made to previously submitted contact information. If you have SGMA Portal questions, please email them to GSPSubmittal@water.ca.gov.

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The CASGEM Online System is Moving to the SGMA Portal July of 2026

The Department is beginning to integrate the [California Statewide Groundwater Elevation Monitoring \(CASGEM\) Program's Online System](#) with the [SGMA Portal's](#) Monitoring Network Module (MNM). This integration will streamline groundwater elevation data management and reporting processes by consolidating data submission into one location – the SGMA Portal's MNM. Our goal is to provide a more unified and efficient user experience for local agencies, stakeholders, and the public.

No action is required at this time. With the updated schedule, CASGEM Monitoring Entities and Online System users do not need to take any steps between now and July 2026. CASGEM Monitoring Entities and Online System users should submit their Fall 2025 and Spring 2026 data through the CASGEM Online System as normal.

If you have questions, please reach out to your DWR region office CASGEM contact ([here](#)) or to the CASGEM Program in Headquarters at CASGEM@water.ca.gov.

DWR releases provisional WY 2024 statewide land use data

DWR has officially released [provisional statewide land use data from Water Year \(WY\) 2024](#) for public access and use. The released data follows up on land use mapping conducted in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 where more than 15 million acres of land were classified (including agriculture multi-cropping instances and urban categories) using tools such as remote sensing and geographic information systems. The data can now be accessed at the following locations: [CA DWR Land Use Viewer](#) (viewing and downloading); [CNRA Webpage](#) (viewing and downloading); on the [SGMA Data Viewer](#) (viewing) and the [California State Geoportal](#) (viewing and downloading).

Facilitation Support Service and Translation Services Available to GSA's at No Cost

GSA's developing GSPs are eligible to receive funding for identification and engagement of interested parties, meeting facilitation, interest-based negotiation/consensus building, and public outreach facilitation. [FAQ about FSS is available here](#). More information [can be found here](#). [Written translation services available in 8 languages for outreach materials \(5,000 word maximum\)](#). DWR has [Verbal Interpretation service available to GSA's](#). Real-time interpretive services are available to GSAs for virtual, hybrid, or in-person meetings in support of GSP implementation with the goal of engaging underrepresented communities within basins and encouraging equal access for non-fluent English speakers during the implementation of GSP's. If you are interested in learning more or receiving support from an interpretation team email sgmps@water.ca.gov.

Reminders: Drought related tools & guidance

'Be Well Prepared' Initiative and Website

May 17, 2023, DWR released the [Be Well Prepared initiative](#). DWR is providing tools and resources to help communities that are dependent on groundwater and experiencing climate-driven weather extremes, to prepare for potential impacts to household water supplies. The Be Well Prepared initiative focuses on domestic well owners and residents that use and maintain their well. [The website includes resources and information](#) that every well owner should know and understand about: groundwater conditions, well maintenance, water quality, assistance, and additional articles, videos and resources. A [new flyer](#) from DWR provides the four initial steps for well owners to take if they think their well has gone dry. This flyer is also available in [Spanish](#) and [Hmong](#).

SB552: DWR's Water Shortage Vulnerability Scoring and Tool

As part of its technical assistance to support SB 552 implementation, DWR developed the [Water Shortage Vulnerability Scoring and Tool](#) to provide the foundational data and information statewide to counties for their water shortage risk assessment.

Dry Well Susceptibility Map

The DWR, in coordination with the State Water Resources Control Board, has developed an interactive mapping tool, called the Dry Well Susceptibility Tool. This tool identifies areas within groundwater basins that may be

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prone to water supply shortages in drinking water wells. State and local agencies and well owners can use this tool to anticipate where wells may go dry based on historical conditions to inform drought preparedness decision-making. To use this tool, navigate to [California's Groundwater Live website](#) and click the [Dry Domestic Well Susceptibility tab](#). A fact sheet on this tool, as well as DWR's Dry Well Reporting System, [is available here](#).

Dry Well Reporting Site

There is a website available to [report private wells going dry](#). Information reported to this site is intended to inform state and local agencies on drought impacts on household water supplies. The data reported on this site (excluding personal identifiable information) can be viewed on the [SGMA data viewer](#) or downloaded on the [CNRA Atlas](#). Individuals or local agencies can report water shortages and [a list of resources are included on the webpage](#). The reporting forms are available in both English and Spanish. Local agencies can now sign up to receive notifications of any dry wells reported in their area. To sign up please email sgmps@water.ca.gov.

California's Groundwater Live: Up-to-date data on groundwater conditions, well installations and subsidence

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) released the final [California's Groundwater – Update 2020 \(Bulletin-118\)](#), containing information on the condition of the State's groundwater, DWR has also developed a companion web-based application called [California's Groundwater Live](#) (CalGW Live), leveraging the [California Natural Resources Agency Open Data Platform](#) (Open Data) to improve the access and timeliness of statewide groundwater information. The easy-to-use interface will make many of the data sets used in CalGW Update 2020 available in an interactive map format that will be updated regularly for viewing and downloading. For more information, visit the updated [California's Groundwater website](#) Contact: CalGW@water.ca.gov.

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) has released the [Fall 2024 Semi-Annual Groundwater Conditions Update](#), which provides a look back at groundwater conditions following California's historic 2023 Water Year and an average 2024 Water Year. It also summarizes groundwater conditions over the first 10 years of Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Implementation (2014-2024).

1. CC Meeting Frequency

- a. I reviewed the WS IRWMP, and it states a minimum of four meetings per year.
- b. Please see below for the relevant excerpts from the Plan.
- c. Information from Section 10: Coordination of the WS IRWMP
 - i. 10.1.1 Coordination by RWMG and Coordinating Committee

One of the critical ingredients for improving water resources management is to provide multiple opportunities for water managers, community stakeholders, and other organizations with interests related to water resources to be informed about and participate in the IRWM program. A structured approach to coordination helps prevent conflicts and can help provide more effective and efficient management of resources. The Westside RWMG has committed to fostering improved coordination within the Region through the following activities (see Section 11 for more details):

- The Westside RWMG Coordinating Committee (CC) will conduct outreach, create meeting agendas and content, facilitate CC/stakeholder input meetings, organize and charter topic-specific workgroups, and help track and communicate progress toward Plan implementation. During the stakeholder input meetings all people who are interested will be invited to participate in a cooperative approach to help meet Plan objectives.
 - The CC will continue to foster dialog with Tribes and representatives of the DACs within the Region to help meet Plan objectives. The CC will post meeting materials and other relevant information to the website and invite review and comment from any interested person or organization.
 - **The CC will conduct stakeholder input meetings as needed, meeting quarterly at a minimum.** The meetings will be announced and open to any stakeholder. CC members will meet and coordinate with those active in neighboring IRWM planning efforts and other local, state, and federal agencies to accomplish the Plan objectives.
 - The CC will continue to use the IRWM website, www.westsideirwm.com, to provide current information related to Plan implementation. This will include posting the status of proposed projects and providing notice of stakeholder meetings. As described in Section 8, as projects move into the implementation phase, the CC will encourage local agencies, Tribes, and other stakeholders to communicate and meet to address potential conflicts related to project implementation early on, assess opportunities for combining projects, and reduce redundant efforts.
- d. Information from Section 11: Implementation Framework
 - i. 11.2.2 Public Involvement Processes

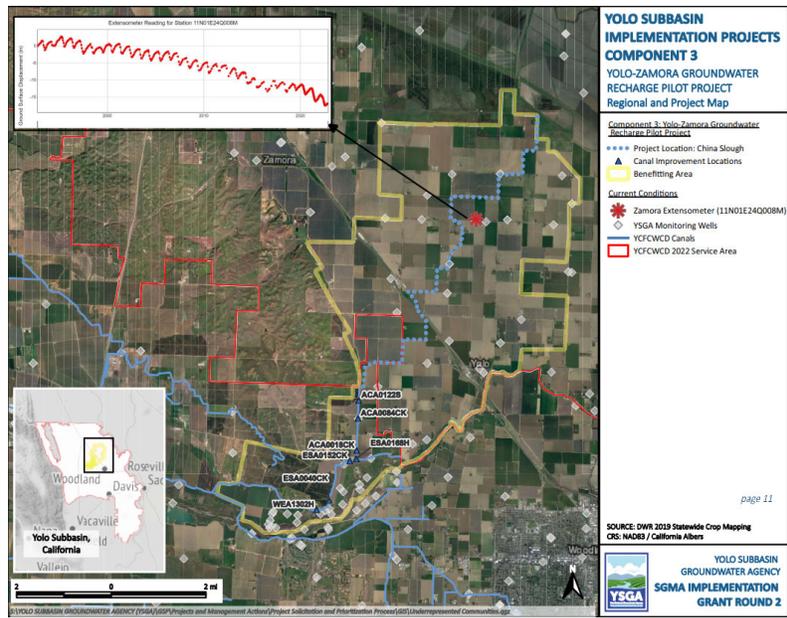
One of the most important aspects of Plan implementation is processes to ensure that the public and interested stakeholders continue to be involved. This will be accomplished through multiple avenues of communication and engagement between the CC and stakeholders, including, at minimum, the following:

- **The CC Chair will lead CC /stakeholder input meetings as needed, meeting quarterly, at a minimum**, to discuss relevant topics of progress on implementation. The CC may convene additional meetings to support fulfilling the objectives of the Plan or other key activities.

Project Name	Update Notes 2025-2026	Update Notes 2023-2024	Project Description
Regional Collaborative Water Conservation Program		<p>8/28/23: sent email to Lake, Napa, Solano County reps asking for an update and providing the DOI watershed opportunity as a possible funding source. https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=349783</p> <p>1/2/24: sent email requesting update to Lake, Napa, Solano County reps.</p> <p>1/3/24: Lake County reps responded yes, keep the project and they want to be a partner.</p> <p>1/23/24: emailed Chris Silke asking him if he wants it kept as "active, seeking funding" since Napa County is the project lead.</p>	<p>The proposed Regional Water Conservation Education Program will leverage and expand the implementation of water conservation education and consumer incentive programs and build on regional water conservation initiatives. This effort will include collaboration between participating agencies to increase water conservation education and outreach across Napa, Solano and Lake counties.</p> <p>The other aspect of the water conservation program will include residential and agricultural water conservation incentives in the Napa County area of the Westside region. Residential rebates may include; toilet rebates, washer rebates, rain garden rebates, rain barrels rebates and smart controller rebates. Agricultural water conservation incentives include agricultural water use efficiency education, agricultural irrigation efficiency evaluations, water use efficiency improvements and technical assistance.</p>
Climate Change Adaptation Information Sharing and Study		<p>9/13/23: Other agencies within each county are addressing it. CC members are going to check with their counties and report back at 11/8/23 meeting. In subsequent meetins, set aside time for presenters if appropriate.</p> <p>8/30/23: scheduled for discussion at September regular CC meeting</p>	Regional study to advance understanding of the effects of climate change and consider potential modifications to the water management system.
Regional Capital Improvement Plan		<p>9/13/23: Other agencies within each county are addressing capital improvements related to water, including hundreds of MS4s. CC members are going to check with their counties and report back at 11/8/23 meeting. In subsequent meetins, set aside time for presenters if appropriate.</p> <p>8/30/23: scheduled for discussion at September regular CC meeting.</p>	Create Regional asset management plan to identify and prioritize key water management infrastructure.
Upper Putah Creek Watershed Management Plan		<p>8/28/23: emailed Angela DePalma-Dow asking for an update</p> <p>1/2/24 - emailed Angela DePalma-Dow, Lake County requesting an update on this project</p> <p>1/30/24: emailed Angela DePalma-Dow, Lake County requesting an update on this project</p> <p>From Angela: Lead organization is no longer ELRCD, but probably the watershed protection district, and Blue Ribbon Committee funds were approved (not yet allocated) to develop a Clear Lake Management Plan that will be a section in the next version of the Clear Lake Integrated Watershed Management Plan, which could be upgraded to an Upper Putah Creek Watershed Management Plan.</p>	<p>The purpose of this project is to produce a comprehensive Regional Watershed Management Plan for the Putah Creek Watershed located in Lake, Napa, Solano, and Yolo Counties. Resource agencies and stakeholders recognize the need and importance of a regional management plan to better serve the citizens and its natural resources in the watershed.</p> <p>A thorough geomorphic study will be conducted to better understand current conditions as related to water quality, water quantity, wildlife habitat, and socio-economics. The project will assemble past studies and reports to identify data gaps, conduct on-the-ground scientific investigations, and interview citizens and stakeholders through an education and outreach program. The net result will be a management plan that identifies watershed related issues that will provide recommendations for implementation.</p> <p>Note: original project sponsor was the East Lake RCD, which was consolidated with the West Lake RCD into the Lake County RCD in 2016.</p>



Westside Sacramento IRWM Coordinating Committee Letter of Support Procedures



Governing Board

Sarah Leicht, Chair Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency
Pawan Upadhay, Vice-Chair Lake County Watershed Protection District
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WESTSIDE SACRAMENTO IRWM COORDINATING COMMITTEE LETTER OF SUPPORT PROCEDURES

The Westside Sacramento (WS) IRWM Coordinating Committee (CC) is frequently asked to sign letters of support for water- and natural resources-related projects within its jurisdiction. The success of the Westside IRWM 2019 Plan Update depends on the implementation of the projects within it and projects that support Plan Goals. Accordingly, the CC authorizes the following steps for providing WS IRWM letters of support.

1. If a project is contained in the WS IRWM Plan project list or supports or implements at least two of the Goals below, the Administrative Coordinator (AC) will email the project description and funding source to every CC member and alternate.
2. If any member wants to discuss the project with the CC, they must respond within one week, and a special meeting will be called if the letter is needed before the next regularly scheduled CC meeting.
3. In the absence of the need for a special meeting, the AC will draft a letter of support for a project.
4. The CC Chair will review and sign it, and the AC will provide it to the project sponsor.

Goal 1: Acknowledge and respect the cultural values and resources of the Region.

In 2010, the Westside Region included in its nearly 3,000 square miles a diverse population of almost 400,000 people and nearly 530,000 acres of farmland. With a long history of changing culture and landscapes, the Region remains home to a number of Native American tribes. This goal is intended to highlight the diverse cultural values and resources in the Region and to promote collaboration to preserve that diversity.

Goal 2: Improve education and awareness throughout the Region about water, watershed functions, and ecosystems and the need for sustainable resource management to protect community health and well-being.

Natural scientists and resource management professionals recognize the complex interdependencies between people, their use of water, watersheds, and associated ecosystems. Unfortunately, many others do not recognize or appreciate this interdependence. This goal underscores the importance of educating the citizens of the Region about their roles in this complex and dynamic water system and what they can do to help their communities and ecosystems to be healthy and thrive over the long term.

As approved by the Westside Sacramento IRWM Coordinating Committee on DATE

Goal 3: Improve the collective understanding of watershed characteristics and functions (natural and human-induced) within the Region as needed to respond effectively to evolving water resources management challenges and opportunities (e.g., climate change).

The watersheds within the Region are complex and dynamic. As human activities and water uses have changed and continue to change, the watersheds and other resources have also changed. This goal highlights the importance of continuing to learn more about the characteristics and functions of the watersheds in order to respond strategically and skillfully to future changes.

Goal 4: Improve the form and function of degraded natural channels.

Unfortunately, many of the natural channels in the Region have been altered significantly as land uses, water management, and flood protection practices have changed. In many cases, these changes have degraded important habitats and the water conveyance capacities of the channels. This goal emphasizes the need to improve the form and function of natural channels to allow them to provide multiple benefits and require less human intervention and maintenance over time.

Goal 5: Improve water-related public health across the Region and emphasize improvements for populations most in need.

Water plays a critical role in the public health of citizens within the Region. Everyone relies on water supplies for household use, sanitation, and food production. Also, the quality of the water for drinking and recreation can affect the health of people suddenly and over time. Several of the areas within the Region include Tribal communities and citizens who are considered economically disadvantaged. These population segments can be disproportionately challenged in achieving health. This goal emphasizes the need to continue to focus on improving public health, especially for those citizens who need support the most.

Goal 6. Preserve and enhance water-related recreational opportunities.

People enjoy a wide variety of recreational opportunities related to the water features of the Region. This goal acknowledges that efforts to sustain and enhance recreational opportunities into the future are an important component of integrated water management.

Goal 7. Preserve, improve, and manage water quality to meet designated beneficial uses for all water bodies within the Region.

A number of water quality concerns and challenges for surface water and groundwater exist throughout the Region. The level of concern or challenge about the water quality depends upon how the water is being used and the specific water body or aquifer being considered. This goal highlights the importance of improving the water quality within some water bodies as appropriate to water uses and of preserving water quality levels that are now within desirable ranges.

Goal 8. Promote reasonable use of water and watershed resources.

Water and natural resources within the Region play a central role in the health and well-being of its citizens. As population grows, it becomes increasingly important to use water and natural resources sustainably. One way to support sustainability is to avoid wasting water and other natural resources and to continue to implement cost-effective conservation and efficiency improvements. Work towards achieving this goal will help reduce the Region's dependence on the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta for water supply.

Goal 9. Protect and enhance habitat and biological diversity of native and migratory species.

Much of the riparian habitats within the Region have been affected negatively by changes in land use, water management, and flood protection practices over the past 100 years. This goal underscores the importance of protecting and improving the remaining habitats in ways that benefit native and migratory species.

Goal 10. Provide reliable water supply of suitable quality for multiple beneficial uses (e.g., urban, agriculture, environmental, and recreation) within the Region.

People within the Region have many different uses for water that produce a variety of benefits. Providing these water supplies at the desired time, place, quantity, and quality requires (and will continue to require) significant effort and investments in maintaining and improving infrastructure and other systems to conjunctively manage groundwater and surface water, which will reduce dry-year dependence on the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. Supply reliability must also take into account potential changes in the amount, intensity, timing, quality, and variability of water resources, and potential impacts of sea level rise on SWP supplies.

Goal 11. Reduce the risks of disruptive natural and human-caused disturbances affecting the Region’s water resources, including flooding, fire, and significant institutional interruptions that reduce resources management services.

People face numerous hazards within the Region that could harm their health and well-being. This goal highlights the importance of continuing to monitor, understand, and mitigate the range of hazards related to water and watershed management (such as floods, wildfires, budgetary crises, etc.) that could negatively impact the citizens of the Region.

Goal 12. Support improved regional water management through governance throughout the Region that uses science and collaboration to make fair and equitable decisions and investments.

This goal acknowledges the wide array of stakeholders and diverse interests within the Region and commits water managers within the Region to continue to use science and open, fair, and collaborative approaches to managing water resources and making decisions about investments that affect many people.

Goal 13. Support sustainable economic activities consistent with local and state government planning efforts within the Region.

This goal highlights the fact that all water management activities within the Region are carried out to support a stable and growing economy for citizens and communities over the long term. Among the many factors influencing economic stability and growth, integrated water management is one of the most crucial factors. Local and state government must continue to improve integrated water management to achieve the economic stability that is desired.

1. Information related to funding the CC's administration; excerpt from the IRWMP.
 - a. 11.4.1 Funding Needs

11.4.1.1 Implementation Coordination Funding Development of the IRWM Plan was funded by the RWMG and an IRWM Planning grant from the DWR. However, these funds cannot be spent on plan implementation activities, so one of the first steps to implement the IRWM Plan is to establish a budget and funding source to support implementation coordination. These include activities undertaken by the CC and/or IST (Implementation Support Team) to plan for and conduct stakeholder input meetings, track plan implementation (including progress towards completing plan objectives and projects), and conduct ongoing public outreach and engagement as described in the governance sections.

To accomplish these important responsibilities, the CC will establish an annual operating budget to conduct its activities. This budget will be presented and discussed at a stakeholder input meeting. Members of the RWMG (and potentially other agencies/organizations within the region) may provide funds or in-kind services to ensure that the CC's activities are carried out. The CC may direct the expenditure of implementation coordination funds for any of the roles defined for the CC. It is expected that the specific activities and associated budgets will be prepared on an annual basis, initially as implementation begins and the MOU is implemented. Many of the roles and activities could be handled by either CC staff or the IST; therefore the specific budgetary requirements may change as implementation progresses.

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1. I'm receiving a lot of positive responses to the funding opportunities spreadsheet and regular requests to add people to the listserv. In all of my outreach (non-CC) emails, I credit the WS IRWM CC for providing the information.
2. I've been working on project updates, and this year, I have had a good response rate. If I've contacted you and you haven't yet responded, please do so! I'll include the project statistics in the Annual Report.
3. This month, I will start Annual Report articles. Thus far, I plan to include IRWM project statistics, an update of the Lake County Special Districts DAC projects (they should all be complete), the Putah Creek Salmon run, and the completion of the Madison Water System Replacement (a former IRWM project). Please provide relevant photos or news for me to include.
4. On January 20th, I attended a Brown Act Update through the California Special Districts Association. My notes are attached. Even though it was geared towards special districts, it provided lots of good, basic information, including where to obtain a copy of the Brown Act, teleconferencing, and ways that board/committee members can inadvertently violate "meeting" rules.
5. On March 3, SWRCB released the Final 2026 Integrated Report for 303d listings. I looked up Cache and Putah Creeks, and the results are attached.
6. I received a query about posting the updated WS IRWM projects list on the website. If the CC wants to provide the list on the site, I could create a new page for projects in the IRWMP and post the list with the following fields: project name, project sponsor, project description, and 2025-26 update status (active; active: on hold; active: seeking funding; active: implementation; active: maintenance; completed; removed). Alternatively, I could add a sentence to the WS IRWM funding received project page that contains a link to the list. UC Davis, a project sponsor, asked that the list be published because they intend to propose a new project for the IRWMP/Yolo County SWRP at the May meeting. Their explanation:
 - a. The IRWM website is listed in the Stormwater Resource Plan for Yolo County (SWRP) as a way to quickly update the projects list in the SWRP (https://www.westsideirwm.com/documents/Plan/2019%20Update/Appendices/Appen dix%20F/FINAL_SWRP_YoloCo_Feb2019--hi-res.pdf) page 6-1 & 6-2 . There is anticipated Proposition 4 grant funding for urban stormwater management projects over the next few years. As part of the grant funding requirements, a proposed stormwater project must be listed in a Stormwater Resource Plan.
 - b. Section 6.1.1.2
 - i. The SWRP is a living document and changes will be required as additional information is collected, as objectives are refined and better understood, as new projects are developed, and as the collaborative relationships among the Westside RWMG, WRA of Yolo County, YSGA and stakeholders continue to develop. Changes to the SWRP will follow a similar, publicly open and accessible

Administrative Coordinator Report 3/11/26

process followed by this Plan and the Westside IRWM Plan's development process. The Westside IRWM will lead in the effort to change and/or update the SWRP with support from the WRA of Yolo County and YSGA, and participation from project proponents and other stakeholders. Specific protocol for changes and updates to the SWRP for Yolo County, as documented in Section 11.6 of the IRWM Plan, are summarized below:

1. Making Changes to the SWRP:
 - a. Changes include revisions or updates to the section narratives.
 - b. The SWRP will be reviewed a minimum of every five years (or as needed) to determine if its content needs to be changed in a significant way other than the periodic updates or amendments of the objectives and projects.
 - c. If significant changes are needed, the SWRP will be revised and submitted to the RWMG for adoption into the SWRP and IRWM Plan.
2. Updating and Amending the SWRP:
 - a. Updates and amendments specifically include changes to the project lists and refinements to the Plan objectives.
 - b. Refinements to the Plan objectives will be submitted to the RWMG for consideration to adopt as an amendment to the existing SWRP. Refinements will be incorporated into the SWRP and IRWM Plan a minimum of every five years (or as needed).
 - c. Project revisions, updates, and completions, as well as new projects, are received from stakeholders on a continual basis. The RWMG will review the Project submittals and update the Project list on an annual basis. The updated project list will be posted on the Westside IRWM Plan website:
<http://www.westsideirwm.com/projects.html>

Brown Act Webinar, 1/20/26

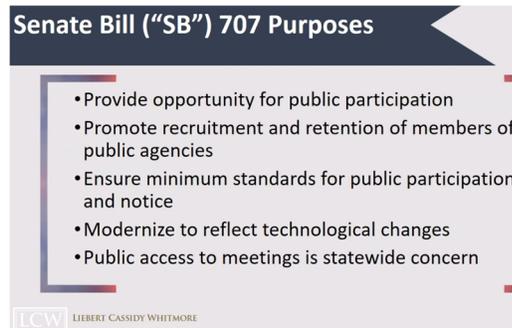
Provided by CSDA, speaker is Oliver Yee, Liebert, Cassidy, Whitmore



Brown Act Update – 2026

- SB 707
- Brown Act Basics
- Meetings
- Agendas
- Remedies for Violation

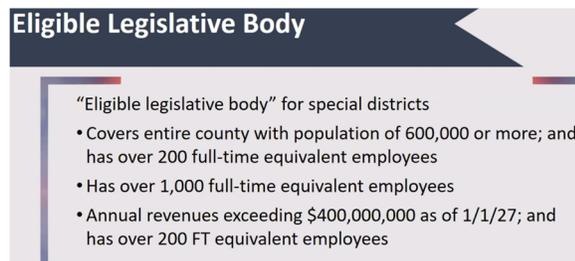
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Senate Bill (‘SB’) 707 Purposes

- Provide opportunity for public participation
- Promote recruitment and retention of members of public agencies
- Ensure minimum standards for public participation and notice
- Modernize to reflect technological changes
- Public access to meetings is statewide concern

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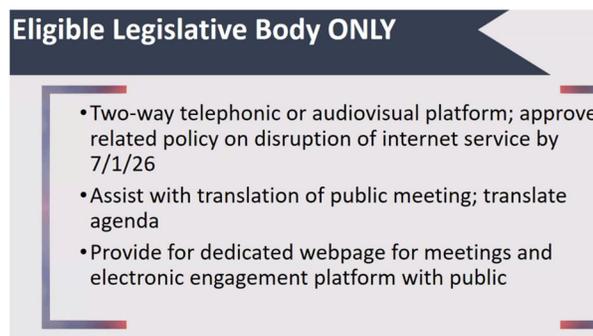


Eligible Legislative Body

“Eligible legislative body” for special districts

- Covers entire county with population of 600,000 or more; and has over 200 full-time equivalent employees
- Has over 1,000 full-time equivalent employees
- Annual revenues exceeding \$400,000,000 as of 1/1/27; and has over 200 FT equivalent employees

If a district does not meet at least one of the above criteria, it does not count as an “eligible legislative body” and can disregard all rules pertaining to “eligible legislative body.”



Eligible Legislative Body ONLY

- Two-way telephonic or audiovisual platform; approve related policy on disruption of internet service by 7/1/26
- Assist with translation of public meeting; translate agenda
- Provide for dedicated webpage for meetings and electronic engagement platform with public

All Special Districts - Teleconferencing

- Two-way telephonic or audiovisual platform; notice to public re access and options
- Procedure for resolving requests for disability accommodations

Question: How do the "eligible legislative body" criteria apply to a Brown Act eligible Committee composed of representatives from 4 county governments, a couple of which may fall under the criteria of "eligible legislative body?"

Answer: If the boundaries of the special district include a county with 600,000 or more, it's not, irrespective of whether other committee members come from "eligible legislative body."

Eligible Legislative Body

- "Eligible legislative body" for special districts
- Covers entire county with population of 600,000 or more; and has over 200 full-time equivalent employees
 - Has over 1,000 full-time equivalent employees
 - Annual revenues exceeding \$400,000,000 as of 1/1/27; and has over 200 FT equivalent employees

For clarification, if you currently don't offer teleconferencing options, then there is no need to provide that to the public.

What if teleconferencing is offered only when it is Just Cause for the Board member? Do we have to offer it to the public for that one meeting? If so, then yes!

All Special Districts - Teleconferencing

- May use teleconference during state of emergency
- May use teleconference if there is quorum of in-person participants; and teleconferencing member has just cause
- Just cause- childcare; contagious illness, health condition, travel for other public agency; immunocompromised family member, physical or family emergency, military service

All Special Districts - Teleconferencing

- Subsidiary body- advisory capacity only
- Allows for teleconference meetings of subsidiary bodies- one member needs to be present in-person.
- Body must make findings to show need for use of teleconferencing- enhances public access; promotes attraction and retention of subsidiary body members.

All Special Districts - Teleconferencing

- Multijurisdictional bodies- representatives from more than one county, city or special district
- Same teleconference requirements as board except no need for teleconferencing member to have just cause
- Same annual limits on number of teleconference meetings apply

Annual limits on teleconferencing meetings: shown in later slide.

All Special Districts

- Must provide a copy of the Brown Act to elected/appointed members of legislative body
- Board members can have social media conversation on business; but majority of members cannot use the same conversation platform to converse.

Q: When providing a copy of the Brown Act can it be a digital copy? A: Yes, it can be, PDF copy is better than a link, because links can expire or be hard to access (like google drive or Box.com).

Q: Where can we get the most recent 2026 version? A:

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displayText.xhtml?division=2.&chapter=9.&part=1.&lawCode=GOV&title=5

CSDA Brown Act Compliance Manual, Revised 2026 (there is a copy of the Brown Act at the end of the manual):

<https://members.csdanet.net/ItemDetail?iProductCode=CSDABROWNACT&zs=x45HP1&zl=HVAX7>

Brown Act

- Guarantees the public's right to attend and participate in meetings of legislative bodies
- Requires that public agency actions "*be taken openly and that their deliberations be conducted openly*"
 - Narrow exceptions apply

Who Is Subject to the Brown Act?

- Any Local Legislative Body of:
 - Counties and Cities
 - School & Community College Districts
 - Municipal Corporations
 - Political Subdivisions of the State
 - Local Public Agencies
 - Joint Powers Agencies
 - Housing Authorities
 - Boards of Education
 - Planning Commissions
 - Air Pollution Control Districts
 - Other Special Districts

Who is a Member of a Legislative Body?

- Any individual who is elected or appointed to sit on a legislative body and vote on and make decisions with other such individuals
- Applies to individuals who have not yet assumed elected office

What is NOT a Legislative Body?

- Advisory committees composed solely of the members of the legislative body which are less than a quorum of the legislative body for a specific purpose
- BUT there are exceptions...
 - Standing committee
 - Continuing subject matter jurisdiction
 - Meeting fixed by statute or rule

What is a Meeting?

- Any congregation of a majority of the members of Board
 - same time and place
 - to hear, discuss, or deliberate
 - any item within the subject matter jurisdiction
- Includes:
 - Informal sessions or conferences
 - Telephone conversations for the purpose of making a decision
 - E-mails

A Meeting is NOT

- Individual contacts or conversations that are not serial meetings
- Attendance of a majority of the members at conferences to discuss issues of general interest, so long as no district business is discussed
- Attendance of a majority of the members of the District at purely social or ceremonial occasions

Q: In response to an initial email, a "reply to all" email from one of the Board members goes out to the other Board members. What is the after-the-fact remedy?? A: Staff should end the conversation as quickly as possible; in a respectful, professional way, stop the conversation. Or another elected official can do the same.

Q: Is it a violation if Board members are in a conference with staff and they discuss with staff District business? A: only if a majority of the Board is present.

Q: Is a one on one by phone with all board members at different times be permissible or looked at as a serial meeting? A: The reality of life is that separate meetings can and do happen. So can polls on the exact same topic. The only problem occurs when staff relays the information from one member to others.

Meeting at Diner?

At the District's meeting held earlier in the day, the board discussed potential changes for the use of the recreation room at the service center. After the meeting, four of the five board members went to the local diner for dinner. At dinner, they discussed the latest blockbuster movie. During dessert, one of the members briefly recalled an issue related to his personal use of the recreation room and how it affects his opinion regarding the potential changes to its use.

Did a meeting under the Brown Act occur at the diner?

A: Yes, a violation occurred.

Beware of Serial Meetings

- A serial meeting violates the Brown Act
- "Serial meeting" occurs when there is:
 - A series of communications of any kind among a majority of the members, directly or through intermediaries;
 - To discuss, deliberate or take action on any item of business;
 - That is within the jurisdiction of the legislative body.

Closed Sessions

- Permissible where allowed by statute, including:
 - Certain personnel matters
 - Labor relations
 - Real property transactions
 - Pending litigation
- Disclosure of confidential information obtained during closed session is generally illegal

Conducting Closed Session Meetings

- Closed session meetings should usually involve only the members of the legislative body of the agency, plus any additional support staff required or any witnesses required
- Individuals not necessary to the meeting should be excluded

Reporting After Closed Session

- After the closed session, the legislative body must reconvene into open session and report the actions taken in the closed session
- The nature of the report depends on the type of action taken

Reporting After Closed Session

- Real property negotiations – approval and substance of final agreement
- Disposition of claim or settlement of litigation – parties involved, monetary amount, substance of claim

Reporting After Closed Session

- Personnel decisions
 - Shall be reported at the public meeting during which the closed session is held
 - Identify the title of the position
 - Report of a dismissal or non-renewal of employment contract must be deferred until the first public meeting following the exhaustion of administrative remedies

Government Code Section 54953(d)(3)

- Legislative body required to **orally report** in open session summary of recommendations for final actions on:
 - Salaries, salary schedules or compensation paid in the form of fringe benefits
 - For “local agency executives” and “department heads or other similar administrative officers”
 - Includes assistants and deputies

Case Study – Brown Act

Don filed a suit against City. During a closed meeting, City Council members excused themselves in small groups to speak with a non-government affiliated mediator to gather facts about the pending litigation. After each group had met with the mediator, they could not reach a consensus on settling the suit.

Has the City Council violated the Brown Act?

A: Yes, serial meeting.

What is a Regular Meeting?

- Meeting held at a time & place specified by applicable bylaw/rule
- Occurs at a regularly scheduled time
- Agenda posted at least 72 hours prior
- Posting location freely accessible + on agency website (if any)
- Agenda encompasses notice

Weekends are included in the 72-hour notice.

What is a Special Meeting?

- Meeting called at *any* time by the presiding officer of the legislative body or by a majority of the members
 - Notice posted at least 24 hours before the meeting
 - Notice delivered to members and press at least 24 hours before the meeting
 - Date, time and location of meeting
 - Brief description of matter to be discussed
 - Only matters in notice may be discussed at meeting
 - No special meetings regarding compensation for any local agency executive Gov. Code section 54956(b)

What is an Emergency Meeting?

- Emergency = work stoppage, crippling activity, disaster, or other activity that severely impairs or threatens public health and/or safety
 - No written notice required
 - Notice to media
 - Posting of minutes
 - Limited closed sessions

Teleconferencing & Virtual Meetings

- Old teleconferencing rules governed virtual meetings during proclaimed state of emergencies
- SB 707 overhauls the teleconferencing rules based on the type of meeting or the type of entity running the meeting
 - Various teleconferencing provisions are cumulative
- **General Principle:** Teleconferencing requires members and the public have the ability to interact, speak, discuss, or deliberate on matters
 - Can impose additional requirements to go above minimum requirements, including for subsidiary bodies

Teleconferencing – § 54953(b)

- May teleconference meetings if:
 - Take all votes by rollcall
 - Conduct in manner that protects statutory and constitutional rights of the parties/public
 - Give notice of meeting and post agendas as required
 - Allow members of public to access meeting and opportunity to address the legislative body
 - Post agenda at all teleconference locations
 - At least a quorum of members within territorial boundaries
 - Does not apply to member disability accommodations

Teleconferencing – § 54953.8 (SB 707)

- Public participation remotely by:
 - Two-way audio visual platform (e.g., Zoom)
 - Two-way telephonic service and a live webcasting of meeting
- Notice of ways public can access remote meeting and offer public comment
- Stop meeting and take no further action in event of disruption
- Allow public comment in real-time
 - Must account for registration with third-party platform if timed public comment periods
- Establish procedure for accommodation requests
- Provide list of meeting locations
- Conduct consistent with applicable civil rights and nondiscrimination laws

Special Teleconferencing Circumstances (SB 707)

- § 54953.8.1 – Health Authorities
- § 54953.8.2 – State of Emergency
- § 54953.8.3 – Members participating remotely
- § 54953.8.4 – Eligible Neighborhood Councils
- § 54953.8.5 – Eligible Community College Student Organizations
- § 54953.8.6 – Eligible Subsidiary Bodies
- § 54953.8.7 – Eligible Multijurisdictional Bodies

§ 54953.8.3 Teleconferencing – Members Participating Remotely

- In addition to § 54953.8 requirements
 - At least quorum participates in person in singular physical location on agenda, open to public, and within territory of agency
- Member state “just cause” for remote participation at start of meeting
 - Stated in minutes
- Limited to
 - 2 meetings per year if body regularly meets once per month or less
 - 5 meetings per year if meet twice per month
 - 7 meetings per year if meets 3 or more times per month

Q: Please clarify - are the limits to teleconferencing just applicable to "just cause" remote participation? A: Yes! Those limits are only for “Just Cause.”

§ 54953.8.3 Teleconferencing – Members Participating Remotely

- “Just Cause”
 - Childcare or caregiving to child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, sibling, spouse, or domestic partner
 - Contagious illness prevents in-person attendance
 - Physical or Mental condition not subject to disability accommodation
 - Travel while on official business for legislative body or another state or local agency
 - Immunocompromised family members
 - Physical or family medical emergency
 - Military service obligations

Remote Participation by Members

- As disability accommodation or satisfy requirements in Gov. Code, § 54953.8, including 54953.8.1-54953.8.7
- Must publicly disclose before any action is taken
 - Whether any other individuals 18 years of age or older are present in the room at the remote location with the member
 - The general nature of the member’s relationship with those individuals
- Must note in minutes specific provision supporting remote participation

Regional Board Name	Waterbody Name	Waterbody ID	Waterbody Type	Estimated Size Affected	Unit	Condition Category	Water Body CALNUMS	Water Body Reach Codes	Water Body WBD Codes	Waterbody Counties	Decision ID	Pollutant	Pollutant Category	Sources	Final Listing Decision	Decision Status	TMDL Requirement Status	TMDL Project Name	TMDL Priority Level	Expected Attainment Date	Date TMDL Approved by USEPA	Implementation Action Other than a TMDL	Comments	
Regional Board 5 - Central Valley Region	Cache Creek, Lower (Clear Lake Dam to Cache Creek Settling Basin near Yolo Bypass)	CAR5133202219980813161630	River & Stream	84.45	Miles	5	51120000			Colusa, Lake, Yolo	134578	Boron	Metals	A Source Unknown	Do Not Delist from 303(d) list (TMDL required list)	Revised	5A		Low					
Regional Board 5 - Central Valley Region	Cache Creek, Lower (Clear Lake Dam to Cache Creek Settling Basin near Yolo Bypass)	CAR5133202219980813161630	River & Stream	84.45	Miles	5	51120000			Colusa, Lake, Yolo	145924	Oxygen, Dissolved	Nutrients	A Source Unknown	Do Not Delist from 303(d) list (TMDL required list)	Revised	5A		Low					
Regional Board 5 - Central Valley Region	Cache Creek, Lower (Clear Lake Dam to Cache Creek Settling Basin near Yolo Bypass)	CAR5133202219980813161630	River & Stream	84.45	Miles	5	51120000			Colusa, Lake, Yolo	145926	Toxicity	Total Toxics	A Source Unknown	Do Not Delist from 303(d) list (TMDL required list)	Revised	5A		Low					
Regional Board 5 - Central Valley Region	Cache Creek, Lower (Clear Lake Dam to Cache Creek Settling Basin near Yolo Bypass)	CAR5133202219980813161630	River & Stream	84.45	Miles	5	51120000			Colusa, Lake, Yolo	134586	pH	Other Cause	A Source Unknown	Do Not Delist from 303(d) list (TMDL required list)	Revised	5A		Low					
Regional Board 5 - Central Valley Region	Putah Creek (Solano Lake to Delta Boundary)	CAR5112000020000208170214	River & Stream	21.39	Miles	5	5510.000000, 5511.100000, 5511.200000	18020162000722, 18020162000823, 18020162001109, 18020162001284, 18020162001559, 18020162001595, 18020162001686, 18020162001963, 18020162002389	180201620503, 180201620504	Solano, Yolo	69429	Mercury	Metals	A Source Unknown Resource Extraction	List on 303(d) list (TMDL required list)	Original	5A		Low					All resource extraction sources are abandoned mines.