

**Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency**

# **FULL AGENDA PACKAGE**

**Board Regular Meeting  
of  
April 24, 2024**



# FOX CANYON GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY

A STATE OF CALIFORNIA WATER AGENCY



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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## INTERIM EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Arne Anselm

## NOTICE OF MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (FCGMA) Board of Directors will hold a **Board Hybrid Meeting** at **12:30 P.M.** on **Wednesday, April 24, 2024**, in the **Board of Supervisor's Hearing Room and via Zoom**, at the Ventura County Government Center, Hall of Administration, Main Plaza Level at **800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, California**.

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## FCGMA BOARD REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

**April 24, 2024**

- A. Call to Order** – Board Chair will call the meeting to order.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance** – Board member will lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
- C. Roll Call** – Attending Board members, alternates, and staff will be recorded by the Board Clerk.
- D. Agenda Review** – Consider and approve by majority vote, any minor revisions to Board Agenda items and/or attachments and any item(s) added or removed from this Agenda.
- E. Public Comments** – Audience members may speak about FCGMA-related matters not on today's Agenda. California State law does not allow any response or action from the Board concerning non-agenda topics at this time; however, topics can be placed on future agendas or referred to staff. Please come to the podium and state your name and affiliation for the record before commenting on any particular subject.
- F. Board Member Comments** – An opportunity for Board Members to make comments or to communicate with other directors, staff, and/or the public regarding non-agenda topics.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

*Routine items are placed under the Consent portion of this Agenda and need only be reviewed and approved by one single motion. Consent items generally require no discussion; however, they may be debated, or voted on by moving them to the "Regular Agenda" portion at the Board's discretion.*

1. **Approval of Minutes – (New Item) RECOMMENDATION:** Approve minutes of the March 27, 2024, Board Regular meeting. *(Clerk of the Board @ 654-2014)*

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

2. **Update to Groundwater Sustainability Plan Five-Year Evaluations Development Timeline and Workshops – (Returning Item) RECOMMENDATION:** Receive an update from Agency staff on Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) five-year evaluations. *(Arne Anselm @ 654-3942)*
3. **Agency Staffing Analysis and Task Prioritization – (New Item) RECOMMENDATIONS:** (1) Receive a presentation on analysis of needed staffing levels to meet current task prioritization; and (2) Provide Board direction on task prioritization. *(Arne Anselm @ 654-3942)*
4. **FY 2023-24 Mid-Year Budget Review – (Returning Item) RECOMMENDATION:** Receive and file a report summarizing the highlights of the Agency's budget performance in Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 through January 31, 2024. *(Arne Anselm @ 654-3942)*
5. **Proposed Resolution No. 2024-03 – A Resolution Increasing the Tiered Groundwater Surcharge Rates Pursuant to the Ordinance Code – (Returning Item) RECOMMENDATIONS:** (1) Receive an Agency staff presentation regarding increasing tiered groundwater extraction surcharge rates; and (2) Adopt Resolution No. 2024-03, approving increased tiered groundwater extraction surcharge rates consistent with Calleguas Municipal Water District's rate increase, effective January 1, 2024. *(Arne Anselm @ 654-3942)*
6. **2024 John K. Flynn Groundwater Stewardship Award Recipient – (New Item) RECOMMENDATION:** The Board will announce the 2024 recipient of the John K. Flynn Groundwater Stewardship Award. *(Arne Anselm @ 654-3942)*

## **EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

7. **Executive Officer's Report – (New Item) RECOMMENDATION:** Receive and file an informational update on activities since the previous Board meeting.

### **Administrative Reports**

- A. August Board Meetings: Due to construction in the Board of Supervisors Hearing Room during the month of August, Board meetings for the month will be held in the Lower Plaza Assembly Room (LPAR).
  - a. The Board Special meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 9, 2024.
  - b. The Board Regular meeting is scheduled for August 28, 2024.The room change and directions to the LPAR for August Board meetings will accompany the agenda notifications for said meetings. This information item will remain part of the Administrative Report for the meetings held prior to August.
- B. Committee Meetings:
  - a. The Operations Committee meeting tentatively scheduled for Monday, April 1, 2024, was canceled. The next Operations Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 1, 2024.

- b. The Fiscal Committee is scheduled to meet Tuesday, May 14, 2024.
- c. The Executive Committee is scheduled to meet next on Thursday, June 20, 2024.
- C. Correspondence: People v. Naumann (VSCS Case No. 2023020834).

## 8. Adjourn Board Meeting.

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## MINUTES

Minutes of the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency's (FCGMA) **Board Regular Hybrid Meeting** held **Wednesday, March 27, at 12:30 P.M.**, in the **Board of Supervisor's Hearing Room and via Zoom** at the Ventura County Government Center, Hall of Administration, 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, California.

### **A. Call to Order**

Chair Eugene F. West called the meeting to order at 12:31 P.M.

### **B. Pledge of Allegiance**

Director Trembley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **C. Roll Call**

Chair Eugene F. West  
Director Kelly Long  
Director Lynn Maulhardt (Recused during Item 5)  
Alternate Director Sheldon Berger for Director Lynn Maulhardt (Present during Item 5)  
Director David Borchard  
Director Tony Trembley

### **Agency Staff**

Alberto Boada, County Counsel  
Jason Canger, Assistant County Counsel  
Arne Anselm, Interim Executive Officer  
Farai Kaseke, Assistant Groundwater Manager  
Elka Weber, Management Assistant/Clerk of the Board

### **D. Agenda Review**

No agenda revisions were made.

### **E. Public Comments**

No public comments were given.

### **F. Board Member Comments**

No Board Member comments were given.

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

12:32 P.M.

1. **Approval of Minutes** of the February 28, 2024, Board regular meeting.

**2. Approval of Minutes** of the March 8, 2024, Board special meeting.

**3. Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Annual Reports for the Oxnard Subbasin and Pleasant Valley Basin for Water Year 2023.**

Director Maulhardt made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Director Borchard seconded the motion. Via roll call vote, the motion passed. Director Trembley abstained from voting on the approval of the draft minutes from the February 28, 2024, Board regular meeting.

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

12:33 P.M.

**4. Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Annual Report for the Las Posas Valley Basin (LPVB) for Water Year 2023 [LPV Watermaster]**

Dr. Kaseke presented background on the GSP Annual Report for LPVB, which covered Water Year 2023. Dr. Kaseke gave an overview of the timeline with which the draft report underwent Committee Consultation, first in referral to the LPV Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) on February 29, 2024, then subsequently discussed at the March 7, 2024, PAC meeting, which resulted in the PAC's March 14 Recommendation Report. Agency staff issued a response report on March 20, and subsequently revised the report, incorporating the PAC's feedback.

Dr. Kaseke noted that future annual reports will be referred to the LPV PAC and Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) for review in January. Regarding this specific report, the GSP for LPVB for Water Year 2023, Dr. Kaseke stressed that the Department of Water Resources (DWR) has an April 1, 2024, deadline.

Public comments were given by:

- John Lindquist, UWCD, and
- Daryl Smith, independent farmer located in Epworth Gravels.

Director Long made a motion to approve and authorize staff to submit the WY 2023 Annual Report for the LPVB to the DWR, as revised. Director Trembley seconded the motion, and via roll call vote the motion was unanimously approved.

**5. Conduct a Public Hearing and Adopt an Ordinance to Amend the Ordinance to Establish an Allocation System for the Oxnard and Pleasant Valley Groundwater Basins (OPV Ordinance) to Comply with Decision and Order in *City of Oxnard v. Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency*, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCP00929; Find that Adoption of the Ordinance is Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.**

At 12:55 P.M. Director Maulhardt recused himself from Item 5 and Alternate Director Berger took his seat in Director Maulhardt's stead.

Agency Assistant Counsel Jason Canger presented the proposed Amendment to the OPV Ordinance, noting the Amendment's edits to existing Ordinance language and explaining their function. Mr. Canger stated that adoption of an ordinance at today's meeting is necessary to meet an April 8, 2024, deadline to file a return to the Court's writ of mandate, and he stressed that the proposed Amendment followed the Board's stated preferences based on options reviewed in

previous meetings, and that the proposed Amendment represented a good faith effort to satisfy the court's demand. Further, Mr. Canger noted that the proposed Amendment is exempt from CEQA under Water Code section 10728.6, under the CEQA common sense exemption, and as a regulatory program that limits extractions to address and present exacerbation of the OPV Basin's critical overdraft conditions. Mr. Canger agreed that while the Amendment does not encourage or incentivize conjunctive use policies, he reminded the Board that the purpose of Section 6 is to establish allocation, and that its proposed Amendment attempts to provide parity. He noted that the Amendment does not hinder the Board's ability to further update and amend the OPV Ordinance in the future.

Public comments were given by:

- Gregory Newmark, counsel representing City of Oxnard,
- Jared Bouchard, Pleasant Valley County Water District (PVCWD),
- Ian Pritchard, Calleguas Municipal Water District (CMWD),
- John Lindquist, United Water Conservation District (UWCD),
- Peter Candy, counsel representing City of Port Hueneme

Alternate Director Berger asked whether the Court would need to approve further amendments. Mr. Canger replied that the Court will not need to approve further amendments, but that they would be subject to challenge.

At 2:29 P.M, Chair West made a motion to adopt the Amendment to the OPV Ordinance as proposed and to find that the amended Ordinance is exempt from CEQA. Director Long seconded the motion. Via roll call vote, the motion was approved; 4 yea, 1 nay. Director Trembley voted no.

Director Borchard noted that his vote in support of this motion is reluctant and is made in the interest of meeting the Court's deadline.

Following Director Borchard's clarification, Director Long requested that the OPV Ordinance and proposed Amendments be revisited in future Board agendas.

## **6. Presentation on Groundwater Adjudication in the Oxnard and Pleasant Valley Groundwater Basins (Adjudication) and Deadline to File Answer to Participate**

At 2:32 P.M. Director Maulhardt resumed his seat; Alternate Director Berger stepped down from the dais.

Mr. Canger gave a presentation on the Groundwater Adjudication in the Oxnard and Pleasant Valley Groundwater Basins (OPV Adjudication), reminding the Board and the public of the coming deadline of April 1, 2024, to file an answer to participate (and claim a water right) in the OPV Adjudication.

Mr. Canger reiterated that the FCGMA is a defendant in the OPV Adjudication and cannot provide legal advice to property owners and claimants. He stated that any questions should be discussed in consultation with your attorney, and that more information on the OPV Adjudication and OPV Coalition can be found at [www.opvcoalition.org](http://www.opvcoalition.org).

No public comment was given, nor Board action taken.

## **7. FCGMA Board Member Appointments and Committee Assignments**

Director Trembley moved to nominate a continuance of term for Chair West, and to nominate Director Long as Vice Chair. Director Maulhardt seconded the motion. Via roll call vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Chair West moved that the Committee assignments remain the same as previous years. Chair West asked for Board comments on committee assignments for the Agency's Executive Committee, Operations Committee, and Fiscal Committee.

The Board agreed they will serve as follows:

- Executive Committee: Chair West and Director Long
- Operations Committee: Director Borchard and Director Maulhardt
- Fiscal Committee: Chair West and Director Trembley

Director Long moved that the Committee assignments be updated as agreed, with Director Borchard now serving on the Operations Committee as Director Long will serve on the Executive Committee in her new capacity as Vice Chair; Director Trembley seconded the motion. Via roll call vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Director Long moved that the Fiscal Committee be comprised of Chair West and Director Trembley, and Director Maulhardt seconded the motion. Via a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

## **8. Update to Groundwater Sustainability Plan Five-Year Evaluations Development Timeline**

Interim Executive Officer Arne Anselm presented an informational update on the Five-Year GSP Evaluations. He noted that the kick-off stakeholder workshop for all three groundwater basins was held on Wednesday, August 30, 2023, at 6 PM; documentation of the workshop is available at <https://fcgma.org/groundwater-sustainability-plans-gsps/>.

Mr. Anselm continued that the next three workshops the Agency is currently planning will be held separately for the LPV and OPV basins, and will include modeling run results, the 5-year evaluations, and GSP amendments.

- A. Workshop No. 2: April 2024 – Modeling Results**
  - LPV April 2024
  - OPV April 2024
- B. Workshop No. 3: October 2024 – 5-year Evaluation Review and Feedback**
  - LPV October 2024
  - OPV October 2024
- C. Workshop No. 4 – July 2024 November 2024 – GSP Amendment Review and Feedback**
  - LPV November 2024
  - OPV November 2024

Mr. Anselm presented a timeline of the GSP evaluation tasks and schedule. Director Maulhardt suggested that more time be allocated for feedback on the Board level, meaning a month as proposed is not enough time needed to allow time for public comment and Board edits. Mr. Anselm suggested that staff can present findings from the workshops to the Board as they

happen. Director Long agreed that this would increase stakeholder engagement in the GSP evaluation process. Mr. Anselm stated that he will make this topic a standing agenda item moving forward.

Chair West suggested that staff publish presentations in advance of the workshop. He noted that this suggestion originated in the August 2023 workshop.

No public comment was given, nor Board action taken.

## **9. John K. Flynn Groundwater Stewardship Award**

Directors Borchard and Trembley volunteered to serve on the two member Agency Board Member Ad-Hoc Committee to meet via teleconference to consider nominees and select a recipient of the John K. Flynn Groundwater Stewardship Award for 2024.

## **10. Authorization for Executive Committee to Evaluate Fiscal Impacts of Alternative Staffing Options for the Agency**

Chair West gave a presentation on behalf of the Executive Committee to update the Board and the public on staffing options for the Agency, and to receive feedback on how the Executive Committee will proceed. Chair West presented three staffing models that the Committee proposes be assessed: independent direct staffing, hybrid indirect staffing, and staffing by consultants and contractors.

Director Maulhardt noted that it would be more cost effective for Board members to consult with the constituents they represent first, and to have that feedback be given at the Board level, before making recommendations on the specific staffing models that should be evaluated. Director Maulhardt then asked for the Executive Committee's timeline regarding when staffing would transition to one of the evaluated models; he asked after the urgency of this cost analysis. Chair West stated that his conception of the completion of the proposed cost analysis is that it would be completed in 60 days.

Director Trembley reminded the Board that Agency staff gave a presentation on FCGMA work tasks and prioritization during the January 12, 2024, Board Special Meeting. Director Trembley reminded the Board that the Agency is currently vastly understaffed. Director Trembley asked that the Board amend the recommended action of this item to include a staff update of its work tasks and prioritization, including a timeline through the end of the calendar year.

Chair West agreed that a staff update at the next Board meeting would be ideal and asked Interim Executive Officer Anselm if that would be possible. Mr. Anselm agreed.

Public comment was given by:

- Bert Perello, Alternate Director
- Marueen McGuire, Farm Bureau
- Dr. Michael Kelly, independent farmer and former FCGMA Board member
- Ian Pritchard, comments given first representing CMWD, then the LPV PAC
- Shiri Klima, City of Oxnard

Chair West asked the Board to authorize the Executive Committee to retain a consultant to perform an initial comparative cost analysis of the above staffing models, and to ensure a quick

turnaround of this cost analysis to ensure the practicality of this endeavor, including a staff update on the scope of work, the short-term work required, and the staff priorities for the Board to review at the next Board meeting.

Director Borchard made the motion as recommended, and it was seconded by Director Maulhardt. At 3:44 P.M., Chair West asked for a roll call vote on the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Chair West called for a 15-minute recess at 3:45 P.M. Director Trembley left the meeting at this time.

Chair West called the meeting back to order at 3:57 P.M.

The Board agreed to amend the agenda to defer the following two items until the next meeting:

**11. FY 2023-24 Mid-Year Budget Review**

**12. Proposed Resolution No. 2024-03 – A Resolution Increasing the Tiered Groundwater Surcharge Rates Pursuant to the Ordinance Code**

**13. Proposed Resolution of Appreciation for Jeff Pratt**

At 3:58 P.M., Chair West asked for Board and public comment on proposed Resolution 2024-02 honoring former Executive Officer Jeff Pratt for his 19 years of service.

Public comment was given by Jurgen Gramkow, Marathon Land.

Director Maulhardt moved to adopt the proposed Resolution as recommended. Director Long seconded the motion. Via roll call vote, the motion passed. Director Trembley was absent.

**EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:**

**14. Administrative Reports**

- a) The Executive Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 21, 2024, was canceled.
- b) Correspondence: Letter from LPV PAC regarding Agency staffing.

Director Long made a motion to approve the Executive Officer's Report as presented. Director Maulhardt seconded the motion, and the motion passed. Director Trembley was absent.

**15. Adjourn Board Meeting**

At 4:03 pm, Chair West adjourned the Board meeting.

Submitted by:

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Elka Weber  
Management Assistant II, Clerk of the Board



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April 24, 2024

Board of Directors  
Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency  
800 South Victoria Avenue  
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**SUBJECT: Update to Groundwater Sustainability Plan Five-Year Evaluations Development Timeline and Workshops – (Returning Item)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive an update from Agency staff on Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) five-year evaluations.

## BACKGROUND:

On March 27, 2024, your Board requested frequent updates on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan Five-Year Evaluations development. The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) requires that Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) periodically evaluate their GSP(s) to “assess changing conditions in the basin that may warrant modification of the plan or management objectives and may adjust components in the plan.” The GSP Emergency Regulations require that GSAs conduct GSP evaluations at least every five years and whenever the GSP is amended. The GSP evaluations are due to DWR no later than January 13, 2025.

## WORKSHOPS:

The Agency will hold two workshops, one for the Oxnard Subbasin and Pleasant Valley Basin, and one for the Las Posas Valley Basin 5-Year GSP Evaluations. The dates and times are listed below. The upcoming workshops are a follow-up to the August 30, 2023, 5-Year GSP Evaluation Kickoff Workshop and are designed to give stakeholders the opportunity to provide feedback on the progress and contents of the 5-Year GSP Evaluation as it develops.

### When:

Oxnard & Pleasant Valley Basins (OPV): Wednesday, 4/24/24, from 5:30 – 8 pm  
Las Posas Valley Basin (LPV): Thursday, 4/25/24, from 5:30 – 8 pm

### Where:

Ventura County Board of Supervisors Hearing Room, 800 S. Victoria Ave, Ventura, CA 93009

Each workshop will provide an overview of the GSP, the 5-year evaluation scope and process, the numerical modeling being performed to support the 5-year evaluation, next steps, and opportunities for stakeholder involvement. Presentation materials are included for Board review as Item 2A and Item 2B.

Please note that these workshops will be held in-person only, with no remote attendance opportunity. Both will be recorded and posted to the FCGMA.org website following the workshop.

**DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE:**

As requested by your Board at the March 27, 2024, meeting the timeline below has been modified to include Board and public discussions on the evaluation of minimum thresholds and minimum objectives in August, and on the final draft document at the October and November 2024 meetings. Updates on the development of the GSP Five-Year Evaluations will be a standing item on future agendas.

1. Stakeholder Engagement / Outreach – ongoing through January 2025
  - a. Workshop No. 1 (LPV & OPV): August 30, 2023 – Kick-off (completed)
  - b. Workshop No. 2: April 2024 – Modeling
    - i. LPV April 25, 2024
    - ii. OPV April 24, 2024
  - c. Workshop No. 3: October 2024 – 5-year Evaluation Review and Feedback
    - i. LPV October 2024
    - ii. OPV October 2024
  - d. Workshop No. 4 – November 2024 – GSP Amendment Review and Feedback
    - i. LPV November 2024
    - ii. OPV November 2024
2. Modeling and Data Analysis – July 2023 through February 2024
3. Board Meeting Discussions on Minimum Thresholds and Minimum Objectives - August 2024
4. Report Preparation – November 2023 through June 2024
  - a. Monitoring Network Review
  - b. New Information
  - c. Projects and Management Actions
  - d. Current Groundwater Conditions
  - e. Plan Element Review
  - f. Agency Action and Coordination
5. Report Review – July 2024 through December 2024
  - a. Public Review – July 2024
  - b. Report Revisions and 90-day notice of hearing to adopt – August 2024
  - c. Final Draft Report– September 2024
  - d. Board and public discussions on Final Draft - October and November 2024
  - e. FCGMA Board Adoption of Evaluation & Amendments – December 2024
  - f. Reports Submitted to DWR – December 2024

**CONCLUSION:**

Staff recommends that your Board receive and file this report and provide feedback as appropriate. This letter has been reviewed by Agency Counsel. If you have any questions, please call me at (805) 654-3942.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Arne Erik Anselm".

Arne Anselm  
Interim Executive Officer

**Attachments:**

Item 2A – OPV 5-Year GSP Workshop Presentation Materials  
Item 2B – LPV 5-Year GSP Workshop Presentation Materials





# Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency

5-Year GSP Evaluation for the OPV: Numerical Modeling and Projects



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# Stakeholder Involvement

5-Year Evaluation Timeline



August 2023  
Kickoff Meeting

Modeling Approach Presented  
to FCGMA Board

September  
2023

October  
2023

April 2024  
Public Workshop

Public Workshop  
(GSP Amendments)

Submittal to  
DWR



- Plan Area and Background Review
- Model Scenario Development
- Current Groundwater Conditions
- Monitoring Network Review
- Actions Taken by FCGMA
- GSP Implementation Progress

- Finalize Modeling
- Assess Minimum Thresholds (MTs)
- Assess Measurable Objectives (MOs)
- Re-evaluate Sustainable Yield
- Draft Reports

FCGMA Board Review of  
5-Year Evaluations

Public Workshop

# Stakeholder Involvement

5-Year Evaluation Timeline

August 2023  
Kickoff Meeting

Modeling Approach Presented  
to FCGMA Board

September  
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Groundwater in Storage



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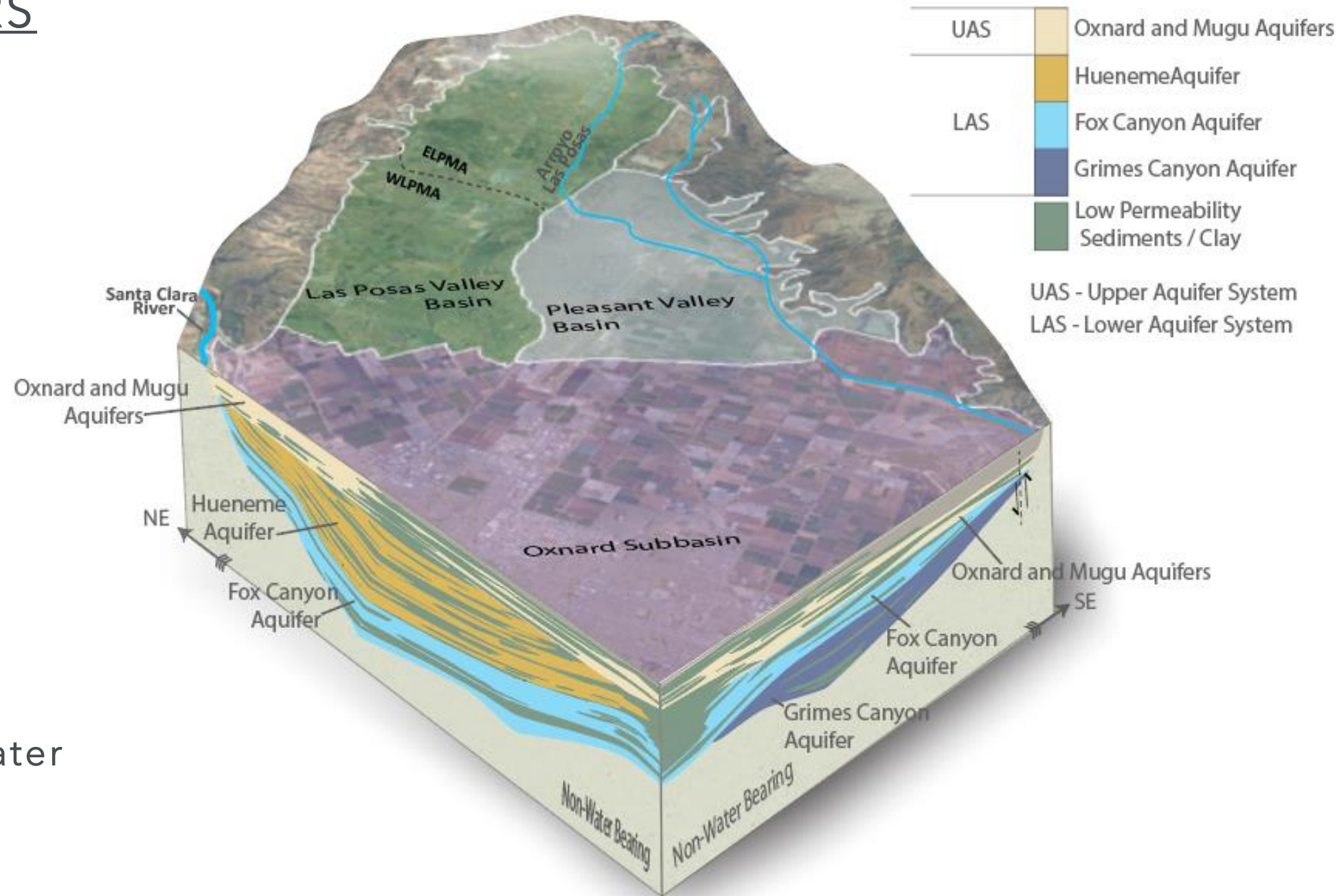
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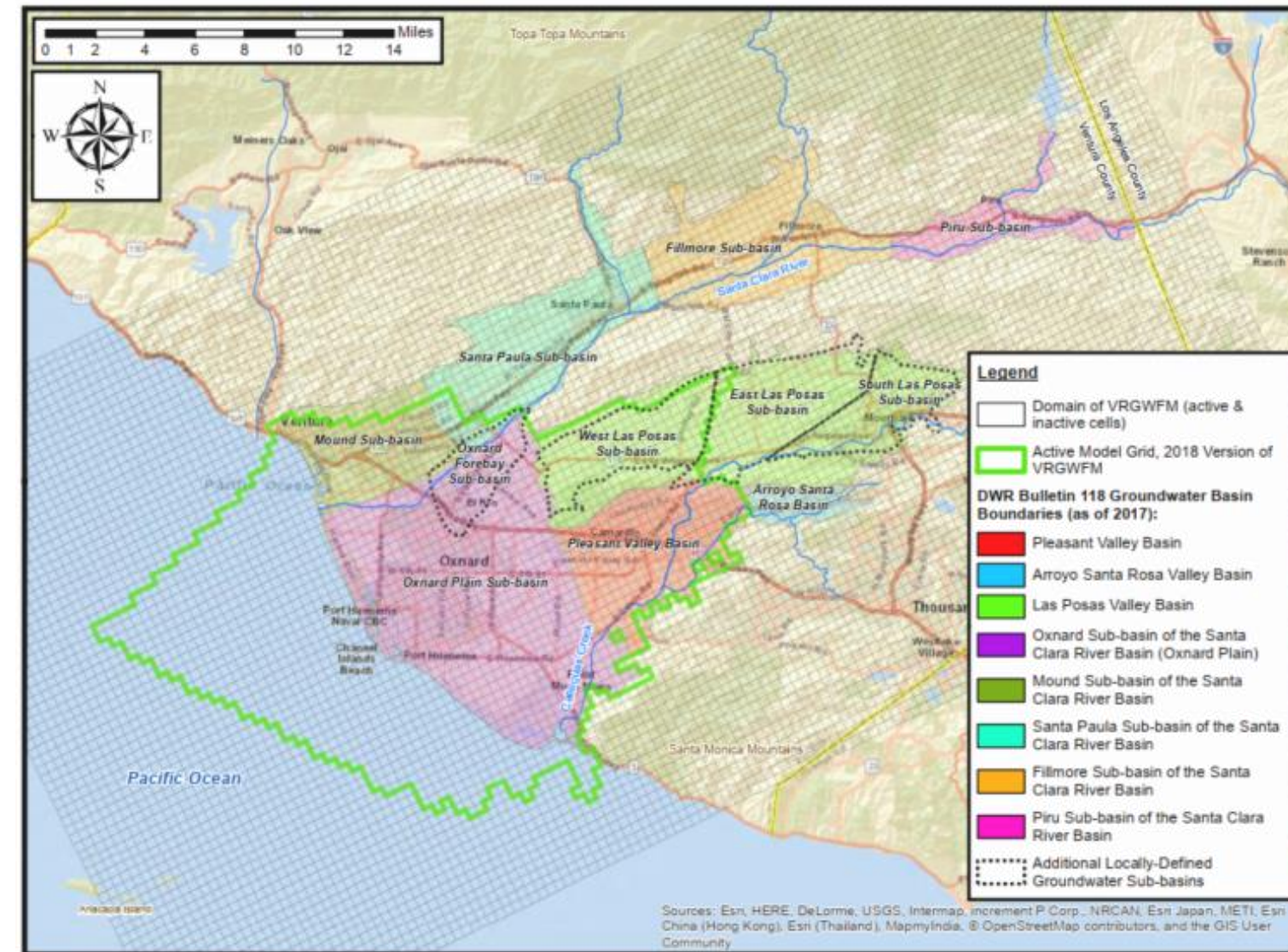


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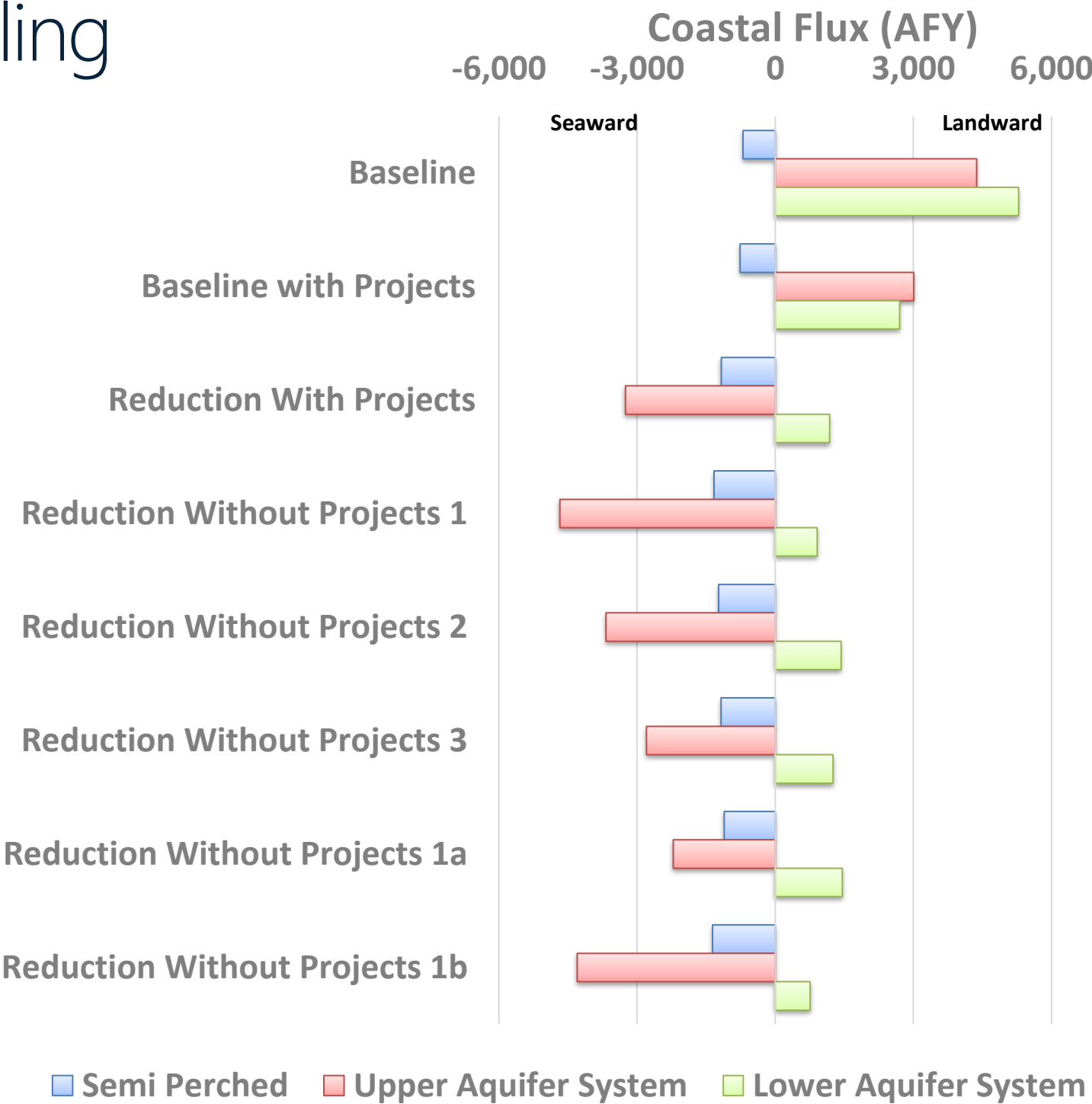
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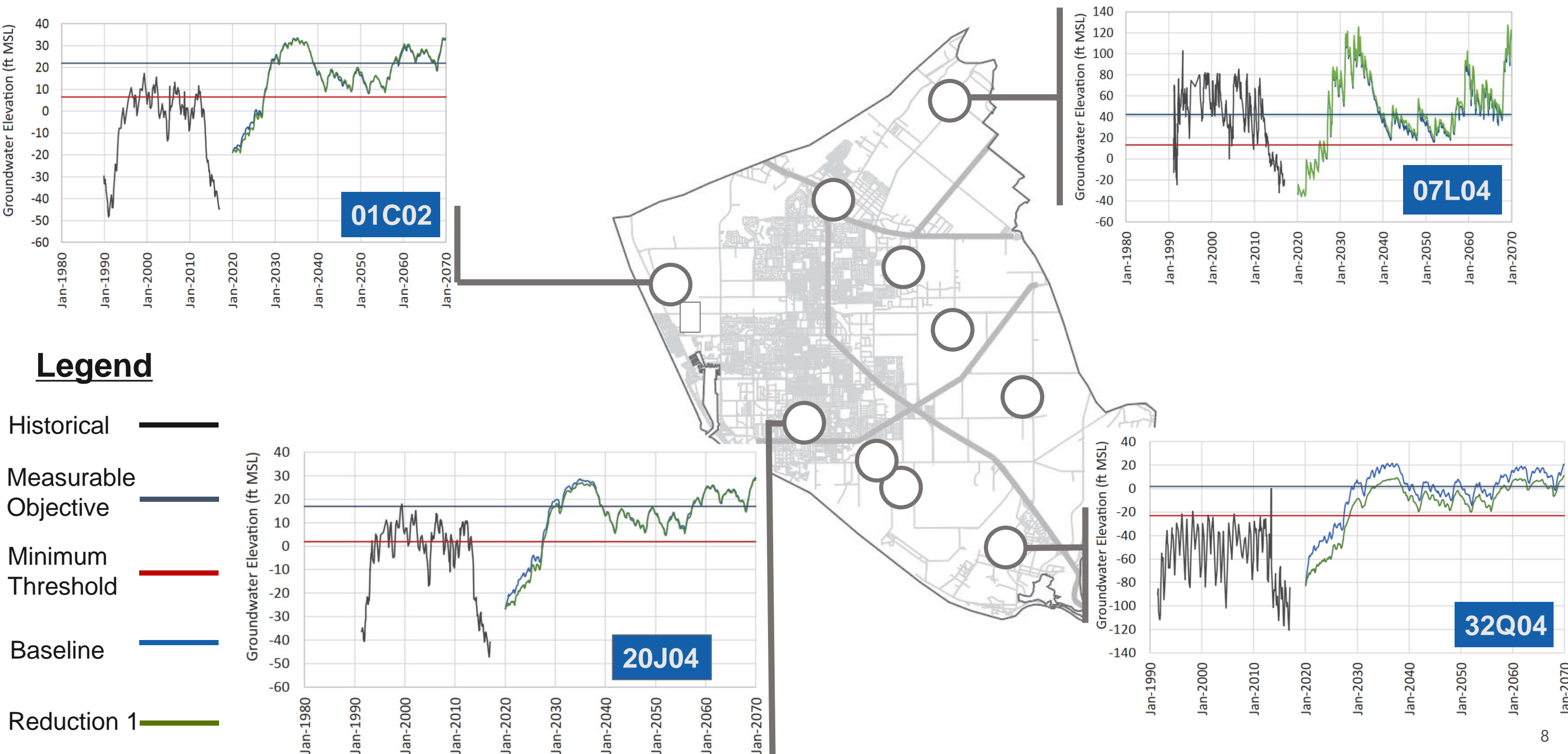


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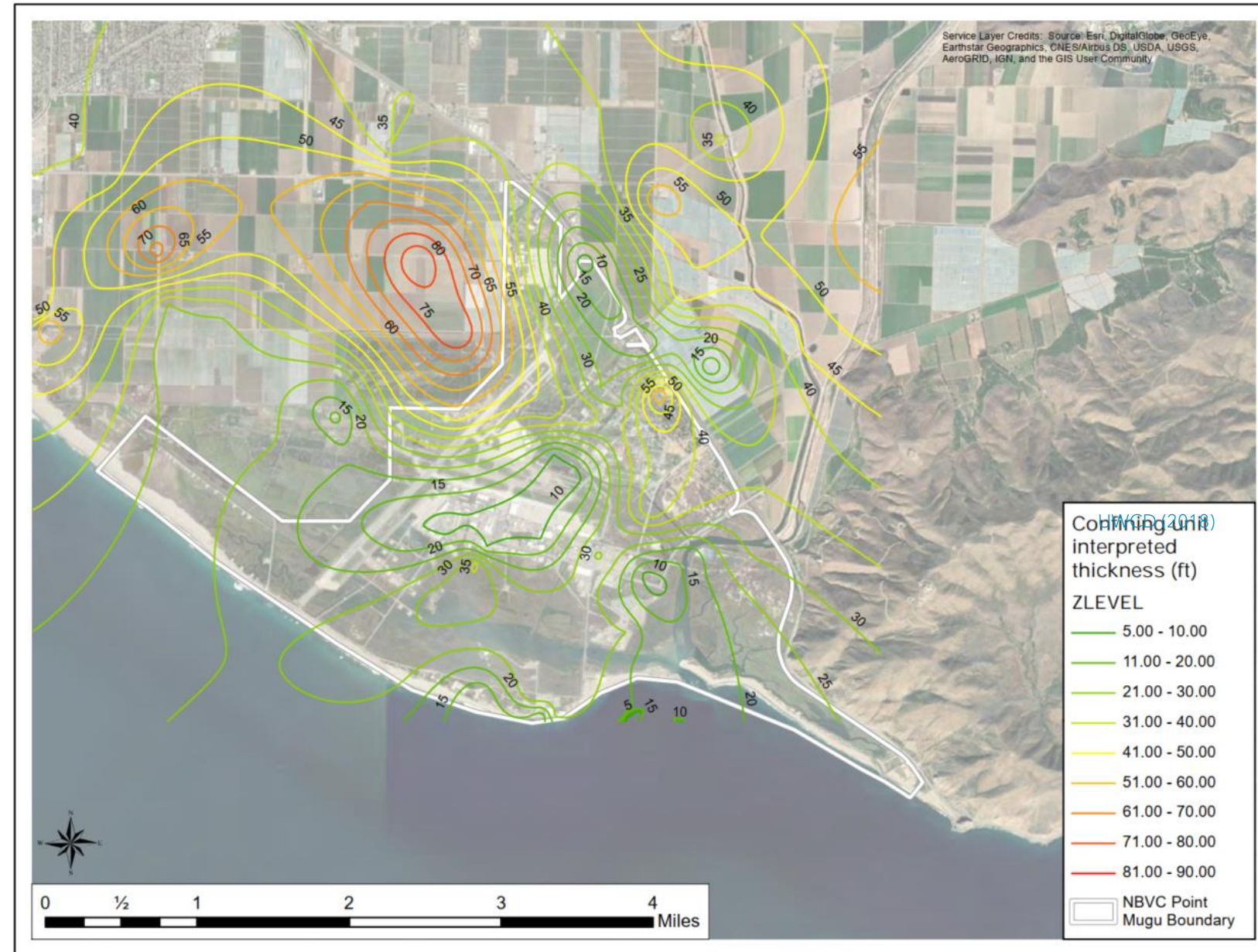
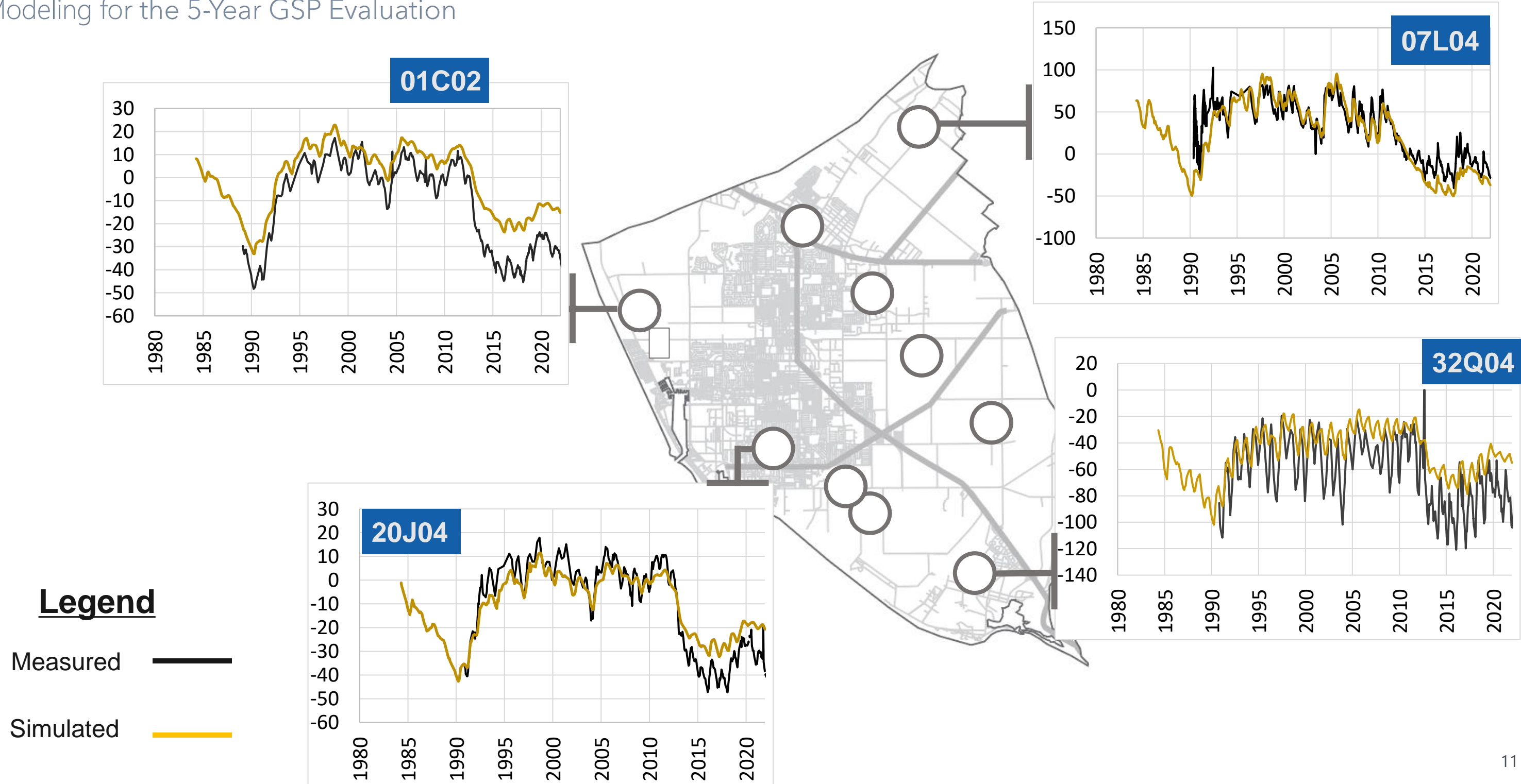


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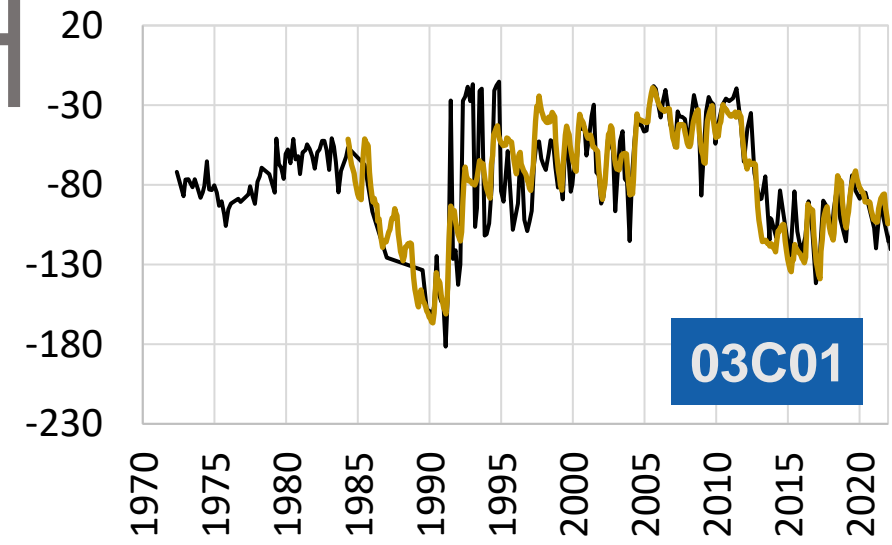
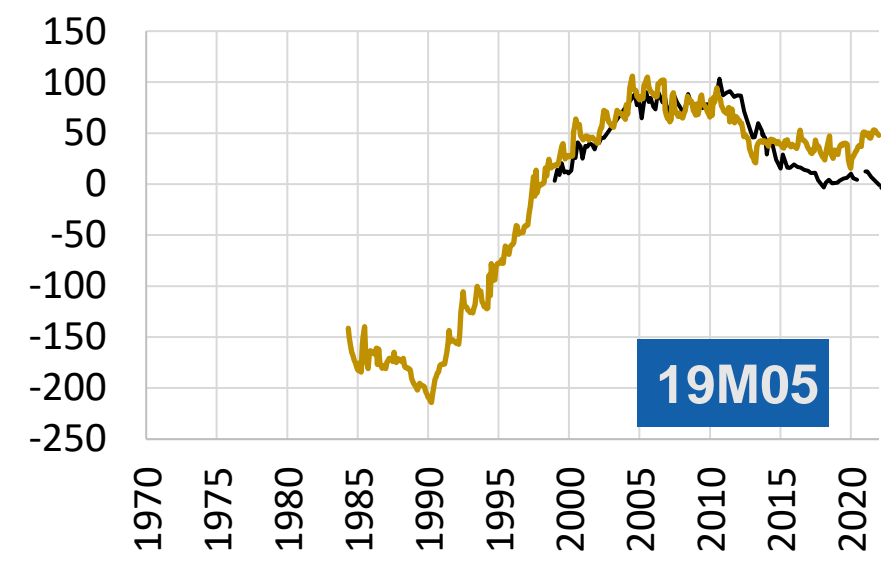
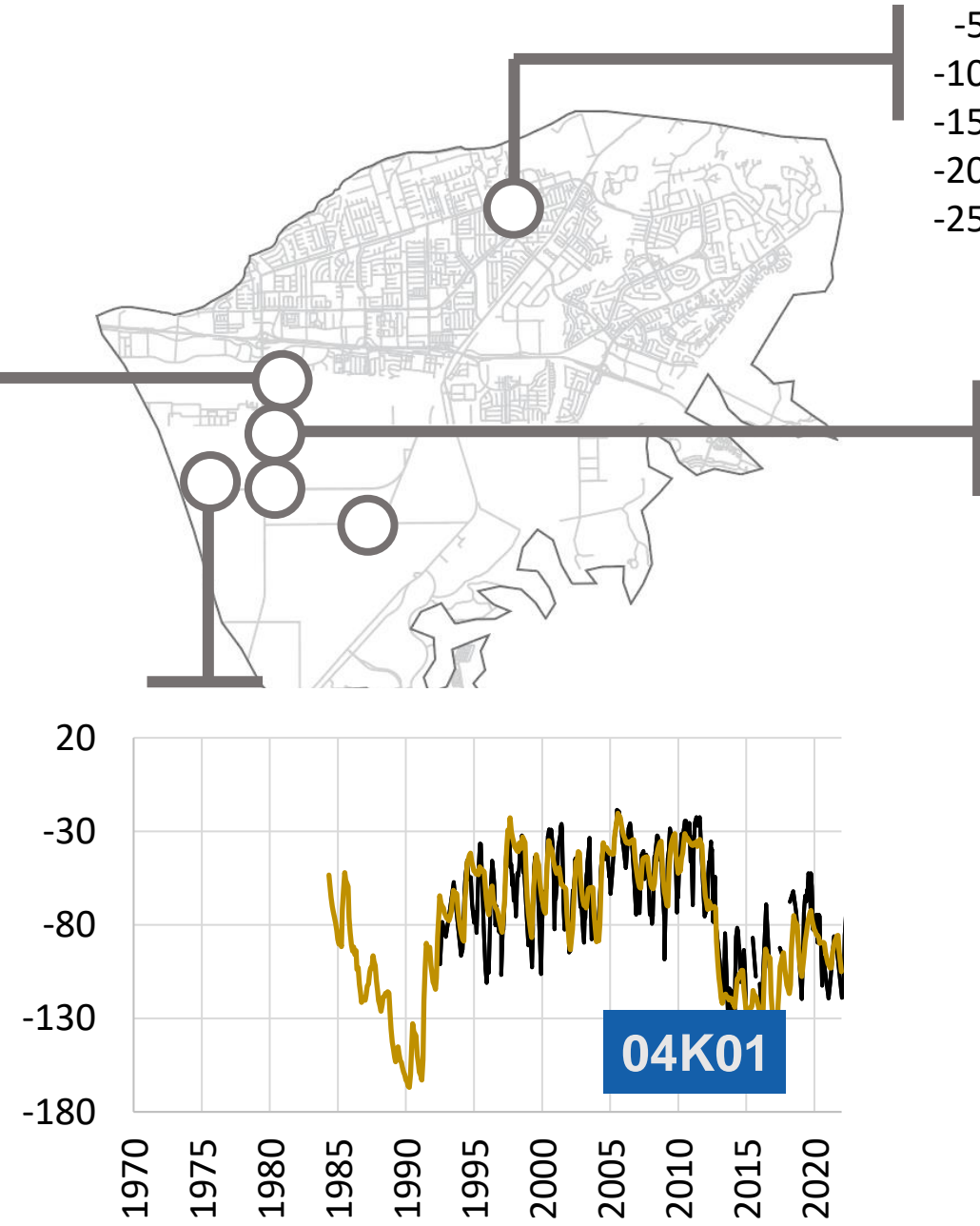
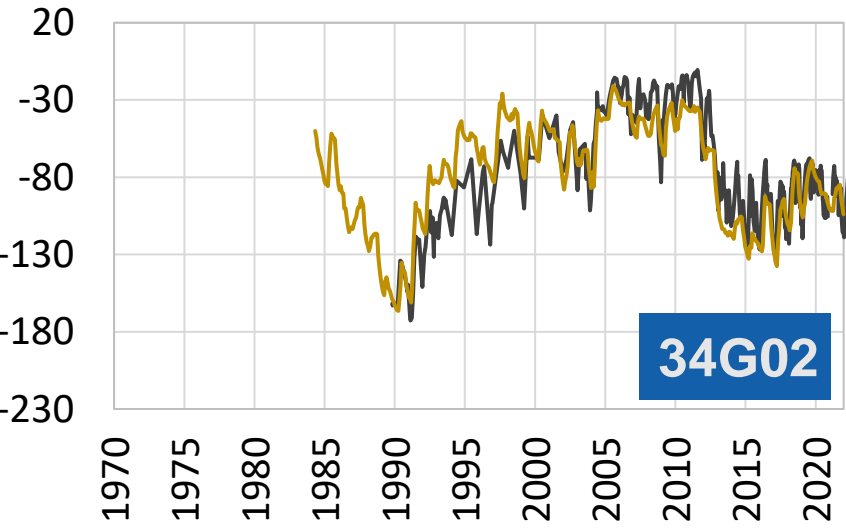
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# Updating the GSP Modeling Scenarios

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation



## Future Baseline

### Updated pumping and expanded suite of projects

- Reflects recent pumping trends
- Includes projects that are currently funded and under construction in the OPV



## No New Projects

### Sustainable pumping rate

- Includes projects currently funded and under construction in the OPV



## Projects

### Integrates Management Actions and New Projects

- Adds future projects that are likely to be implemented
- Evaluates the impacts of demand reduction through voluntary temporary fallowing



## Projects With EBB

### Shifts the management framework

- Operation of UWCDs Extraction Barrier Brackish (EBB) water project

# Updating the GSP Modeling Scenarios: Time Period and Hydrology

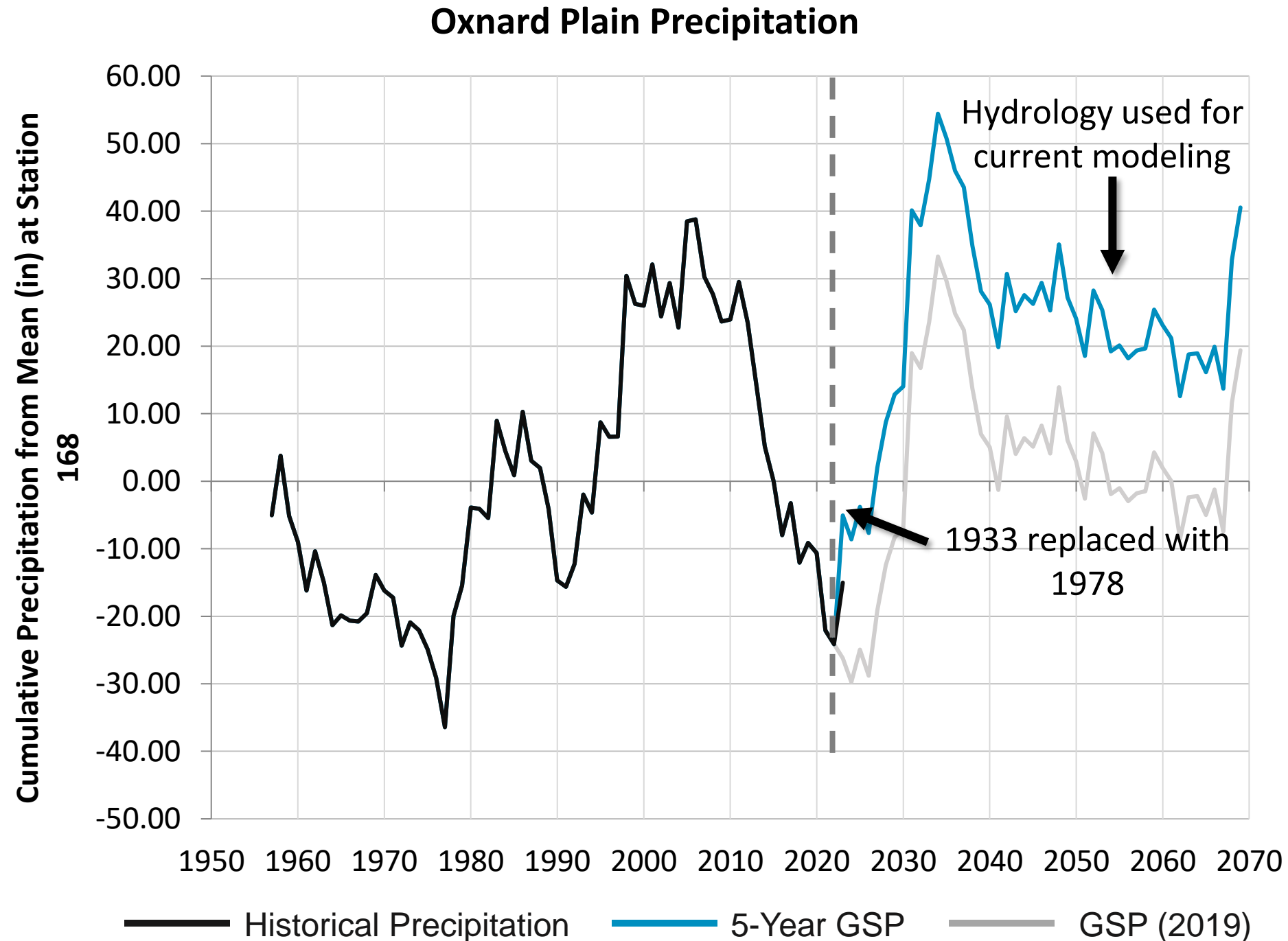
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## What was done for the GSP?

- Calendar Year 2020 through Calendar Year 2069
- 1930 - 1979 Hydrology, adjusted by DWR's 2070 climate change factors

## What is being simulated for the 5-year evaluation?

- Water Year 2023 through Water Year 2069
- 1933 - 1979 Hydrology, adjusted by DWR's 2070 climate change factors
  - 1933 replaced with 1978 to reflect the wet 2023 water year conditions



# Baseline Model Scenario: Pumping in the Oxnard Subbasin

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

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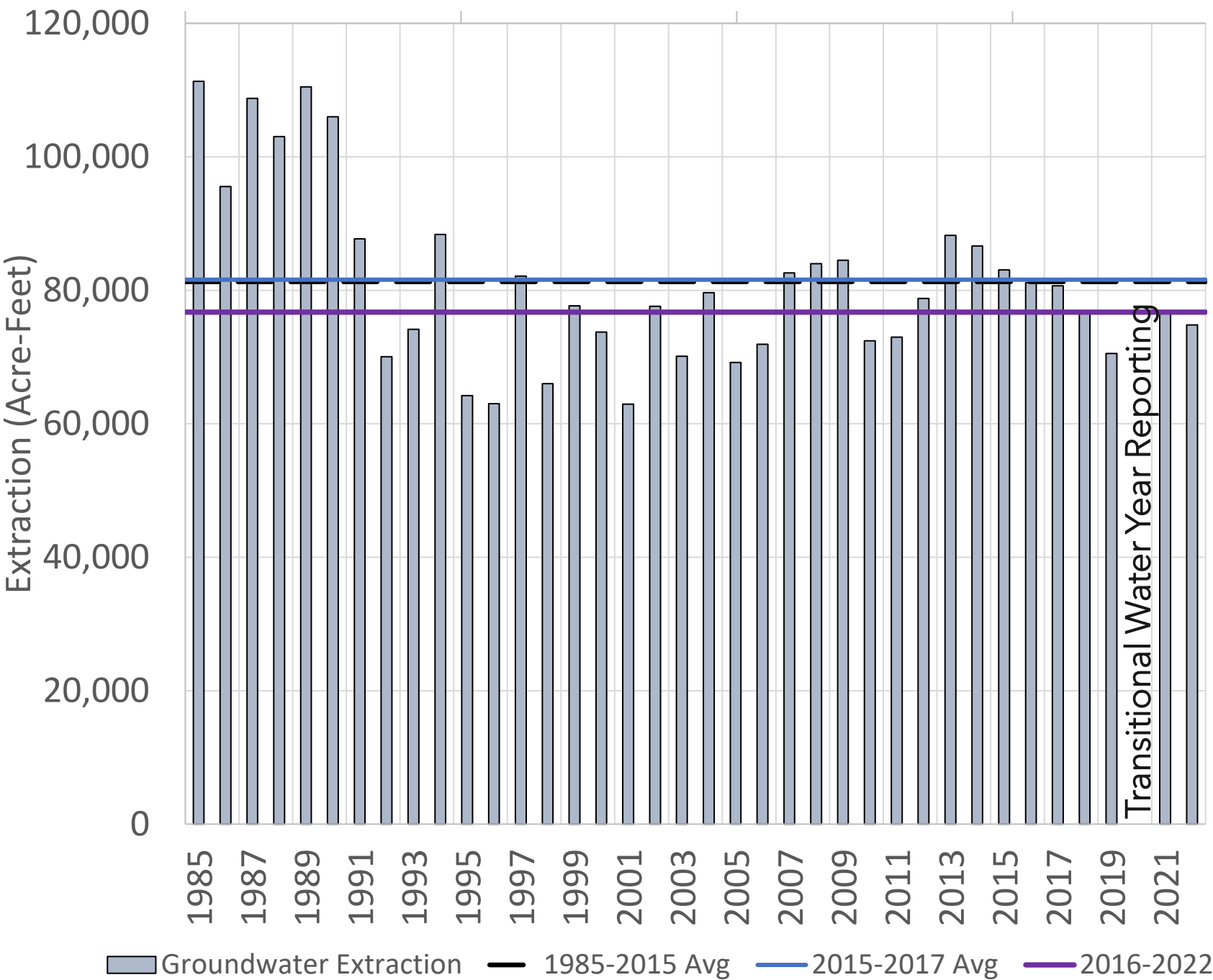
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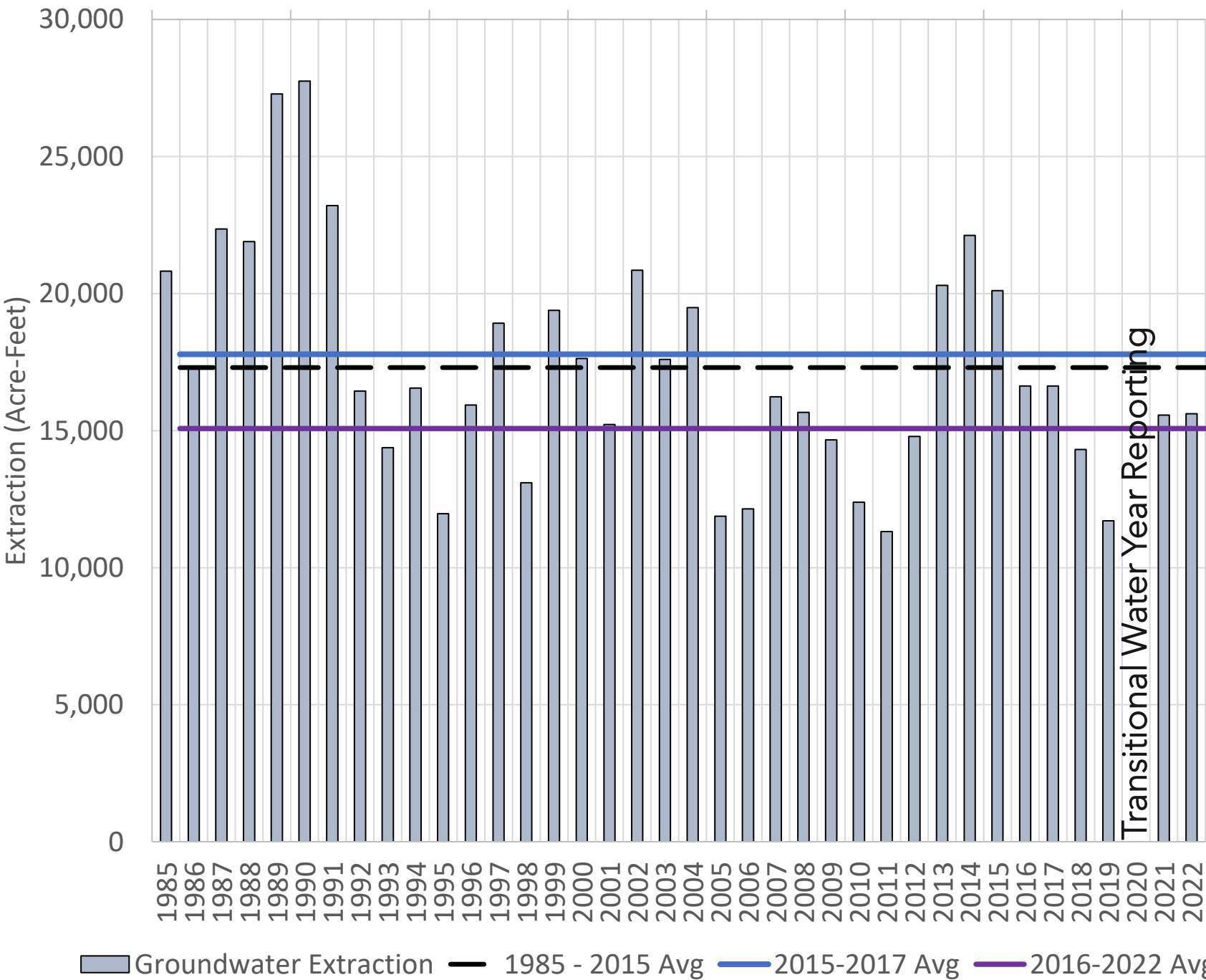
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- Similar to total Pleasant Valley Basin allocation

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Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

## Projects simulated in the GSP:

- Conejo Creek Project
- North Pleasant Valley Desalter Project
- AWPf Deliveries for AG

## Total increase in projected water supply

- New projects increase total water supply in the OPV up to an average of approximately 6,800 AFY

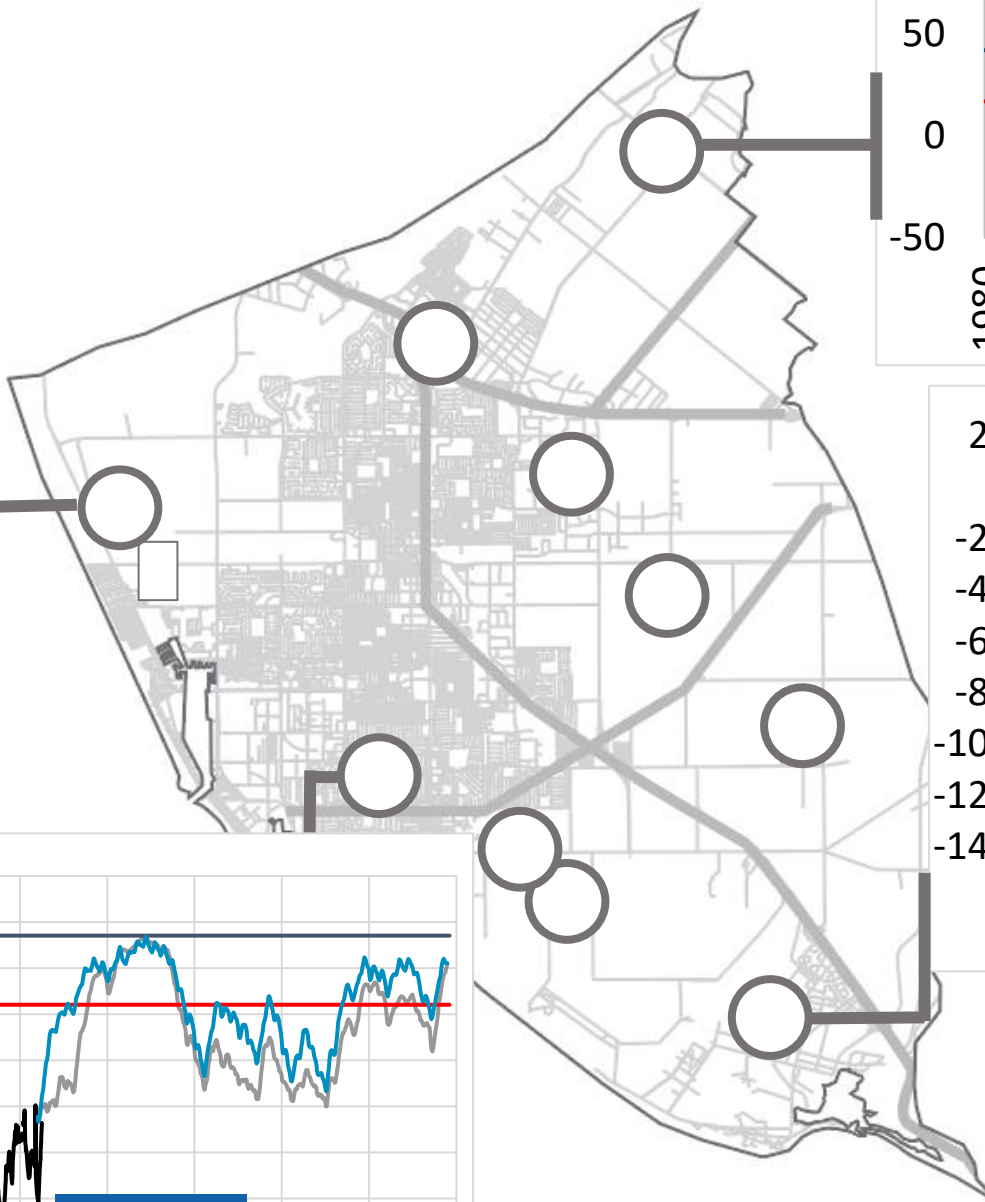
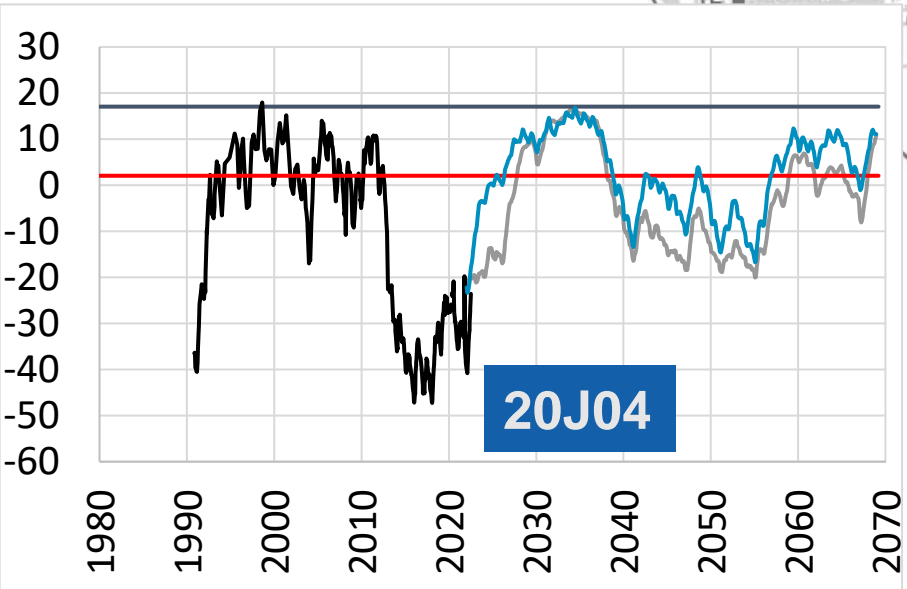
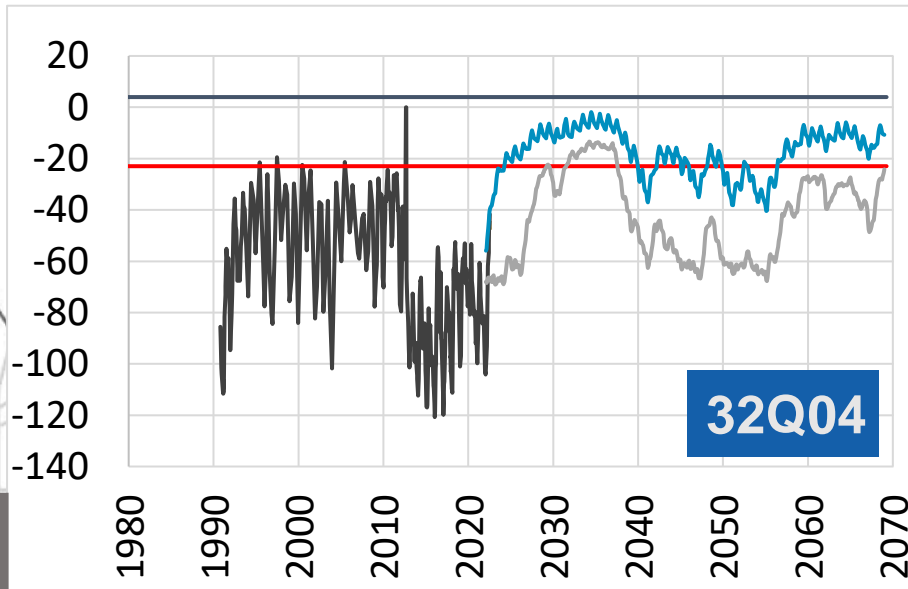
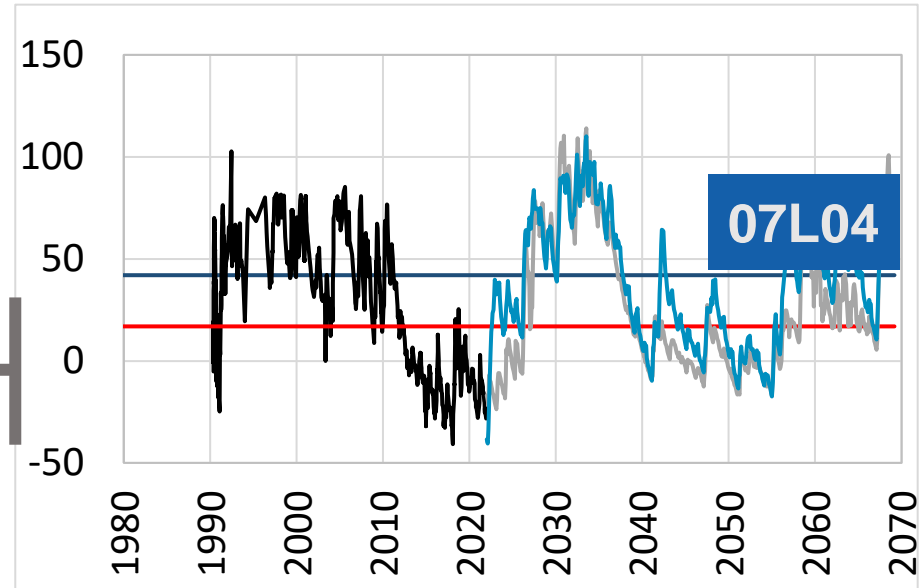
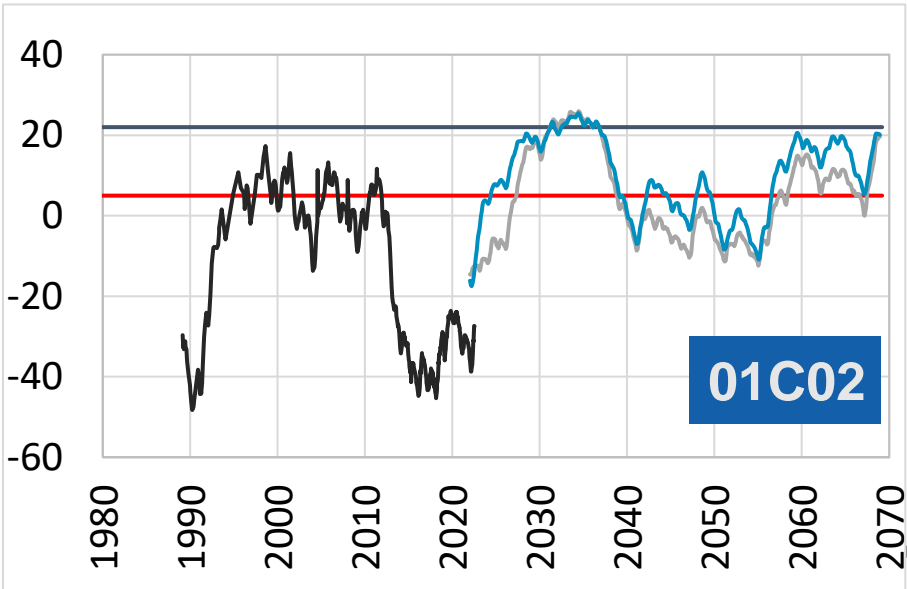
# New Baseline Projects

Project Name	Project Proponent	Anticipated Water Supply (AFY)	Projected Offset Pumping Reduction (AFY)
Ferro-Rose Recharge Basin	UWCD	2,500	Variable
Supplemental State Water Project water purchase	UWCD	6,000	Variable
Camarillo Recycled Water Deliveries to PVCWD	City of Camarillo	1,300	1,300
Laguna road recycled water interconnect	UWCD	0 – 1,500	0



# Oxnard Subbasin Select Hydrographs

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation



**Comparison to GSP  
Baseline Scenario**

- Simulated groundwater elevations in the Fox Canyon aquifer are 5 to 25 feet higher than the baseline results from the GSP

Preliminary Model Results  
Subject to Change

**Legend**

Measured	—	Measurable	—
5-Year	—	Objective	—
Evaluation	—	Minimum	—
GSP (2019)	—	Threshold	—

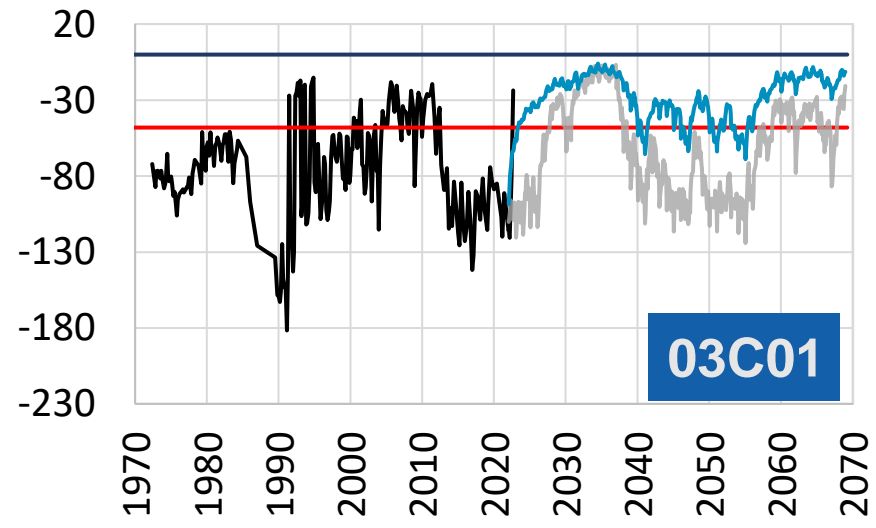
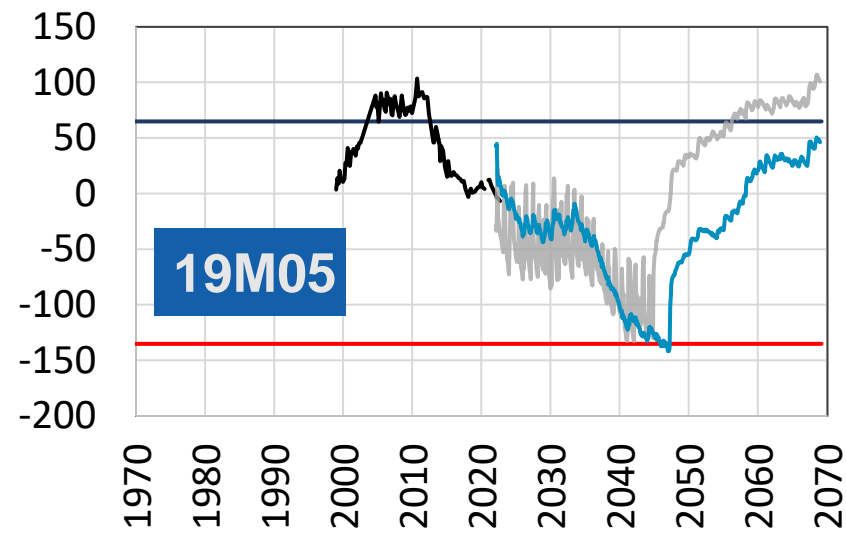
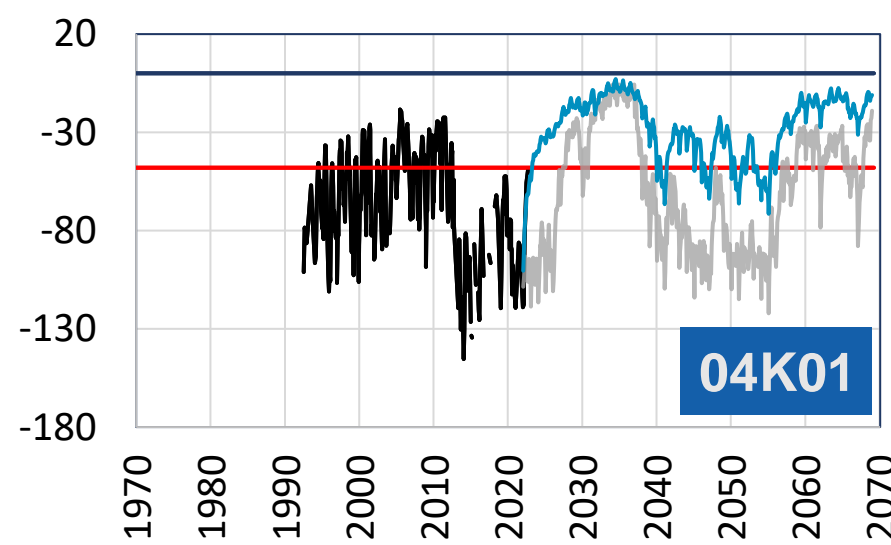
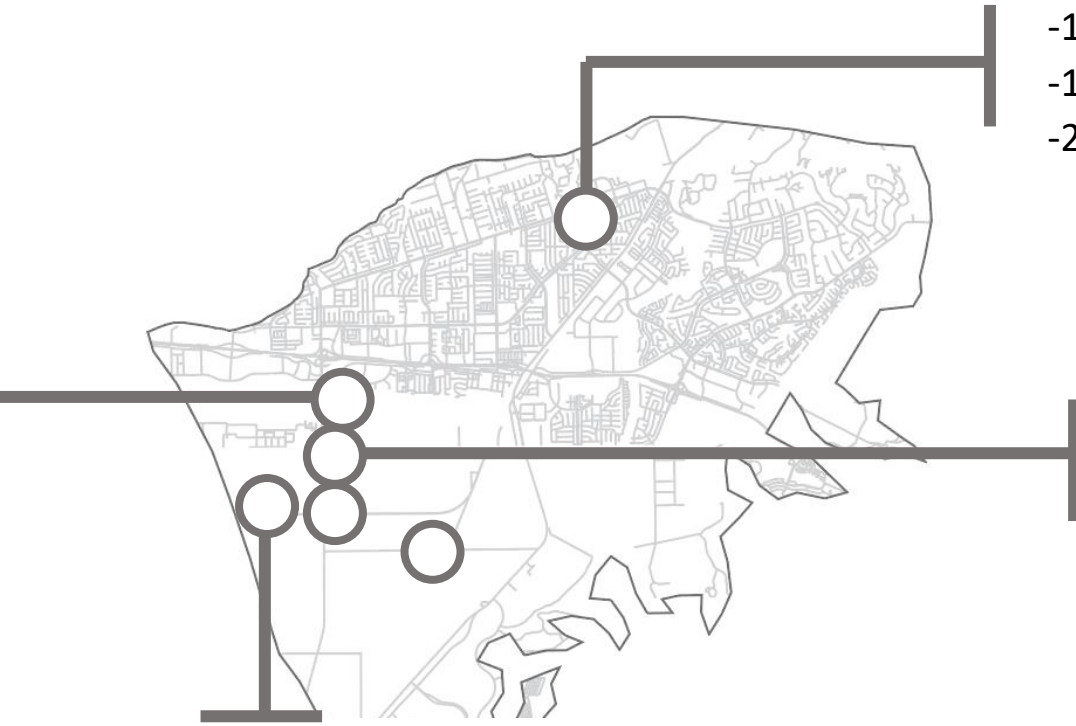
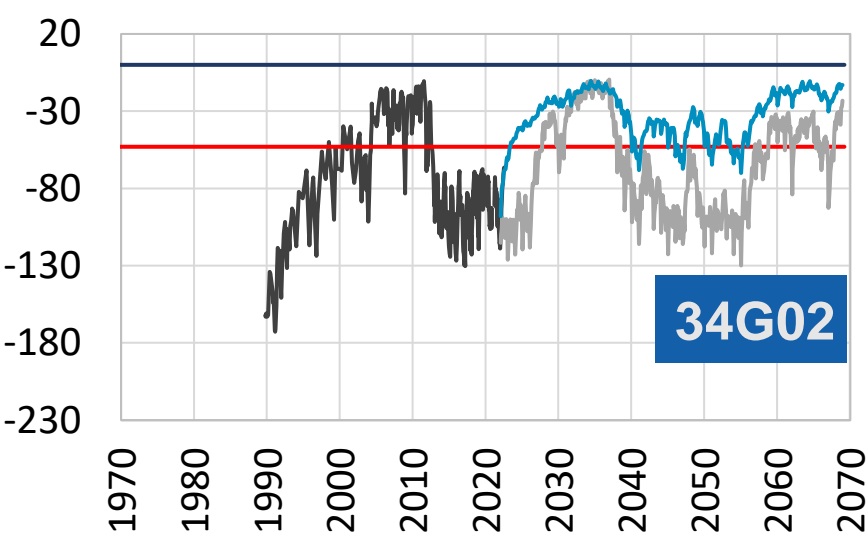


# Pleasant Valley Select Hydrographs

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

## Comparison to GSP Baseline Scenario

- Simulated groundwater elevations in the Fox Canyon aquifer are approximately 30 feet higher than the baseline results from the GSP, except for the far northern part of the PVB



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Evaluation	—	Minimum	—
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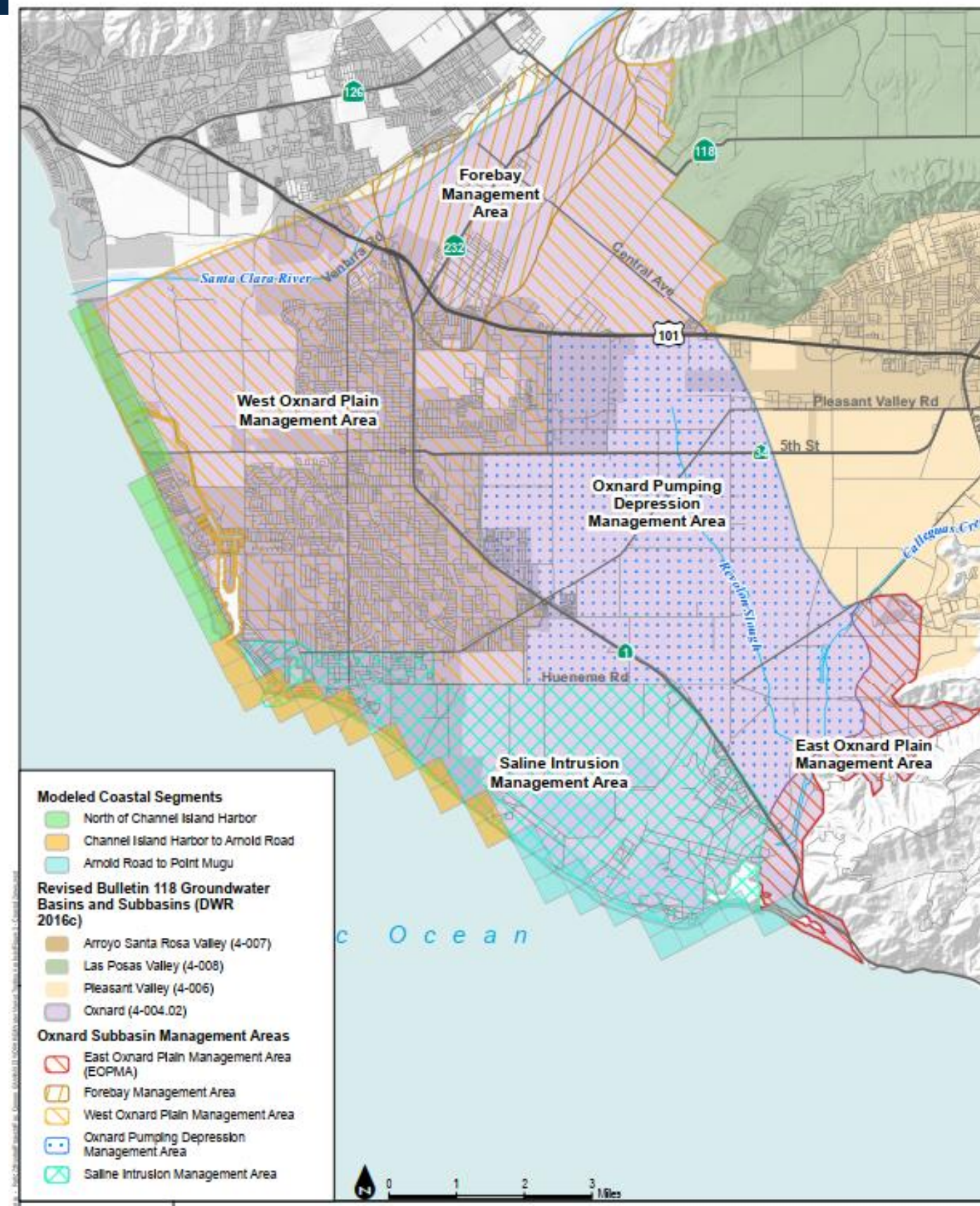
## Simulated Coastal Flux

- 1,600 AFY into the Saline Intrusion Management Area in the UAS
- 3,200 AFY into the Saline Intrusion Management Area in the LAS

## Comparison to GSP Baseline Scenario

- 50% reduction in estimated coastal flux into the UAS
- 5% reduction in estimated coastal flux to the LAS

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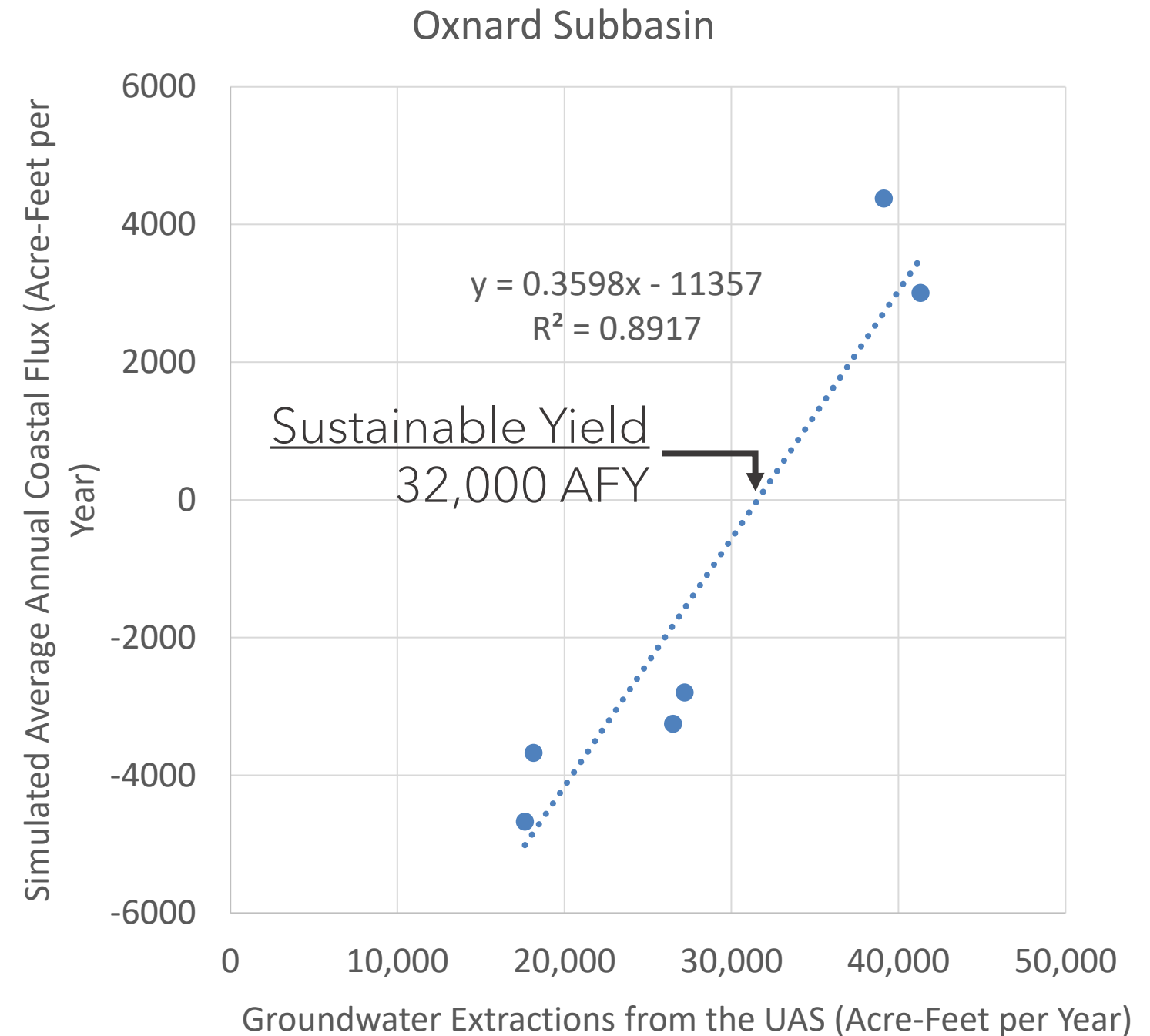
## Summary of Baseline Results

- Landward migration of the 2015 saline water impact front after 2040 is an undesirable result for the Oxnard Subbasin
- Estimated Landward Coastal Flux (Seawater Intrusion, 2040-2070):
  - Approximately 1,600 AFY in the UAS
  - Approximately 3,200 AFY in the LAS
- Projected future groundwater elevations are below the minimum threshold elevation in 20 of the 34 Key Wells in the OPV
- While groundwater elevations are higher than the 2019 GSP modeling, preliminary results indicate that Baseline conditions are not sustainable

# No New Projects Scenario

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

- Projects, simulation period, and hydrology are consistent with the Baseline Scenario
- Groundwater extractions will be incrementally adjusted until average annual flux into the Saline Intrusion Management Area is zero
- Improves on previous estimate of sustainable yield through direct simulation rather than regression



# Projects Scenario

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

## Projects and Management Actions in the GSP:

- Voluntary Temporary Fallowing
- North Pleasant Valley Desalter Project

## Sustainable Yield:

- Iterative adjustments to simulate pumping at the sustainable yield

# New Future Projects

Project Name	Project Proponent	Anticipated Water Supply (AFY)	Projected Offset Pumping Reduction (AFY)
Freeman Expansion	UWCD	10,000	Variable
AWPF Phase II Expansion	City of Oxnard	7,500 – 15,000	Unknown
Recycled Water Pipeline	PVCWD	Unknown*	Unknown
City of Oxnard ASR Project	City of Oxnard	Unknown*	Unknown
City of Oxnard Injection Barrier Project	City of Oxnard	Unknown*	Unknown

\*Depends on AWPf Operations

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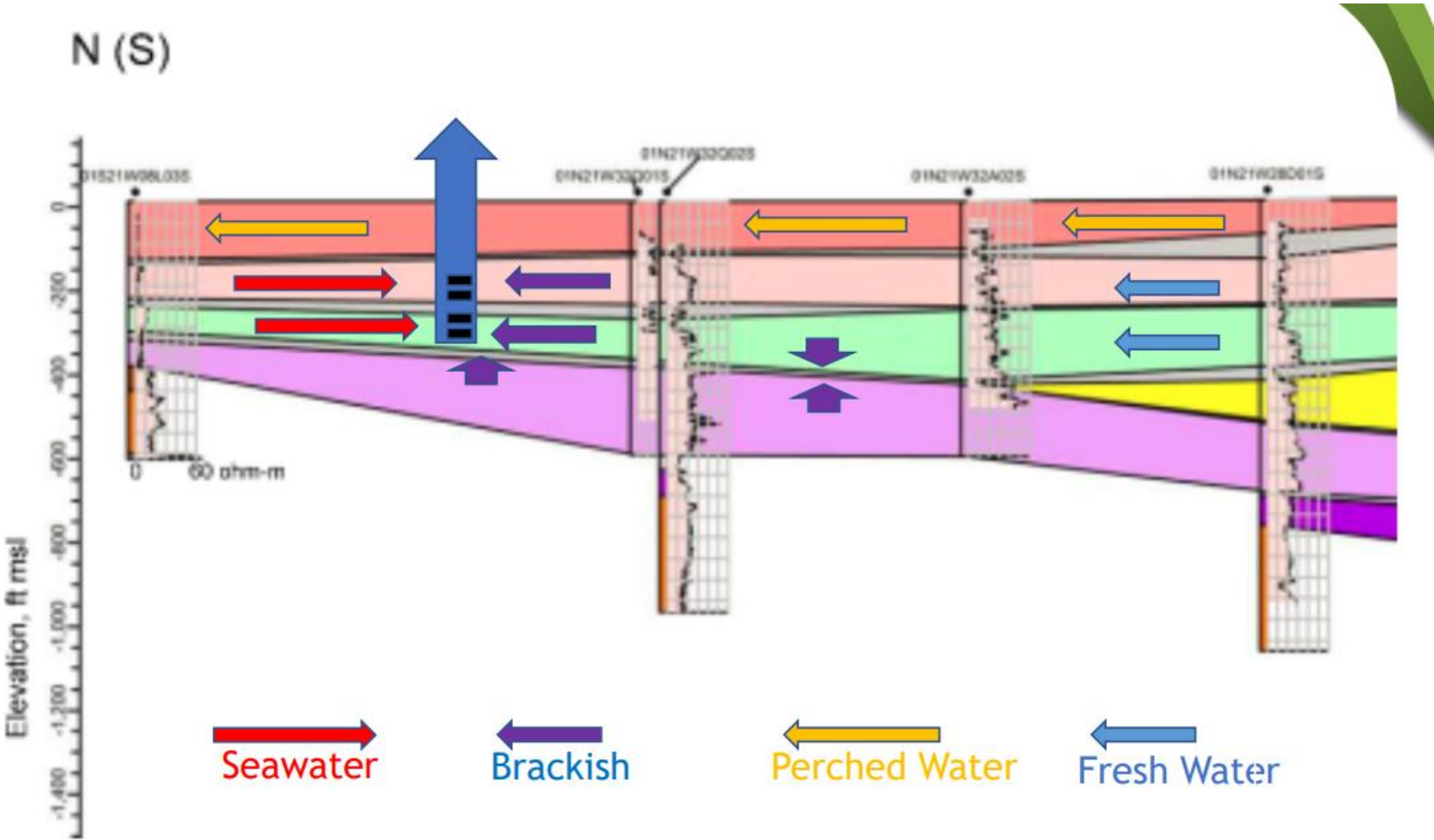
## EBB Design:

- Extraction of 10,000 AFY near Point Mugu
- 5,000 AFY of treated product water
  - 1,500 AFY delivered to Navy
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## Sustainable Yield and Management Criteria

- Revised method for tracking landward seawater intrusion
- Revised Minimum thresholds and measurable objective

Project Name	Project Proponent	Anticipated Water Supply (Acre-Feet per Year)	Projected Offset Pumping Reduction
Extraction Barrier Brackish Water Project	UWCD	5,000	3,500 - 5,000



# Updating the GSP Modeling Scenarios

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation



## Future Baseline

### Status

- Preliminary Results Complete

### Results

- Projected future seawater intrusion into Oxnard

## No New Projects

### Status

- Simulations are underway

### Results

- Preliminary results anticipated end of April/May 2024

## Projects

### Status

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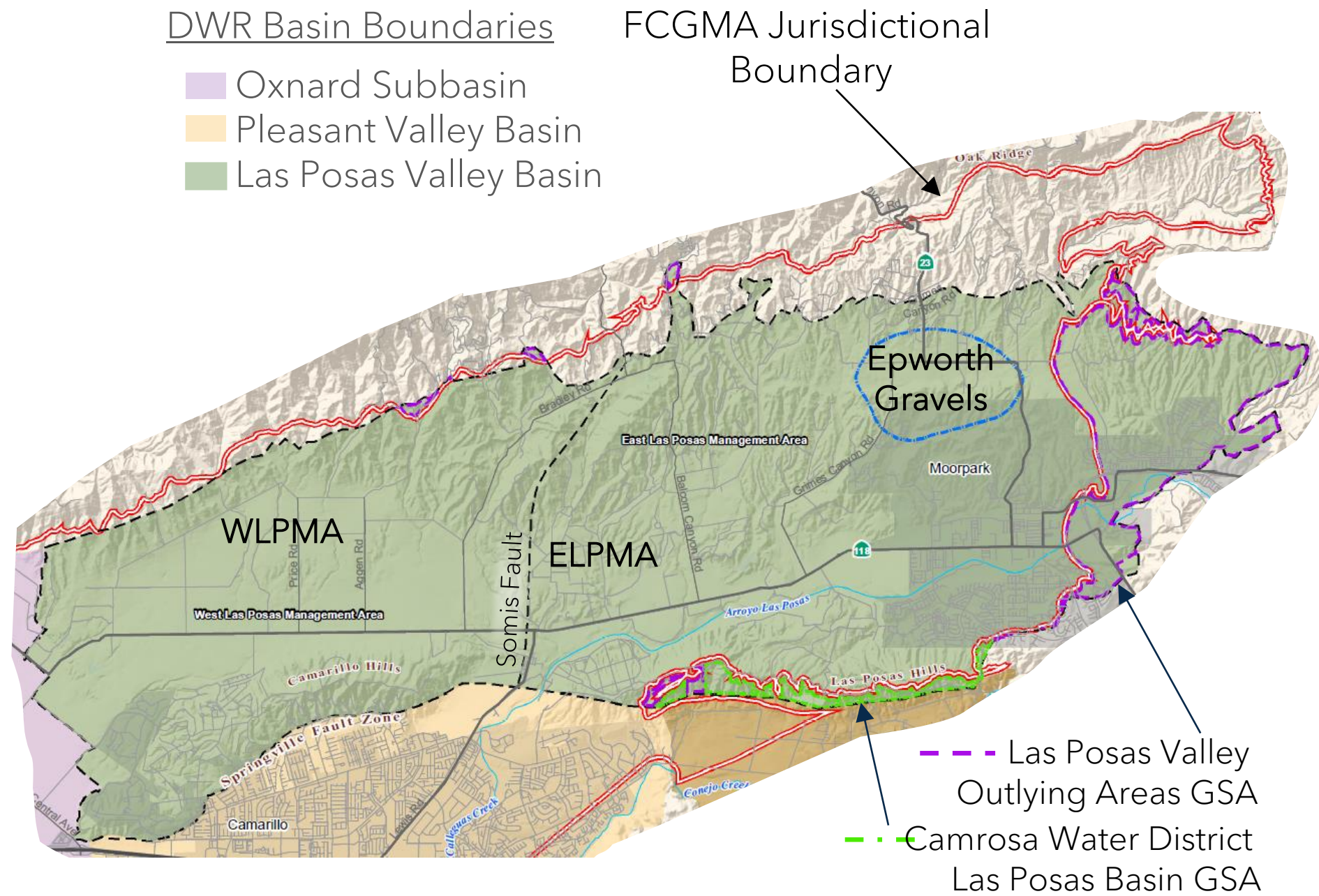
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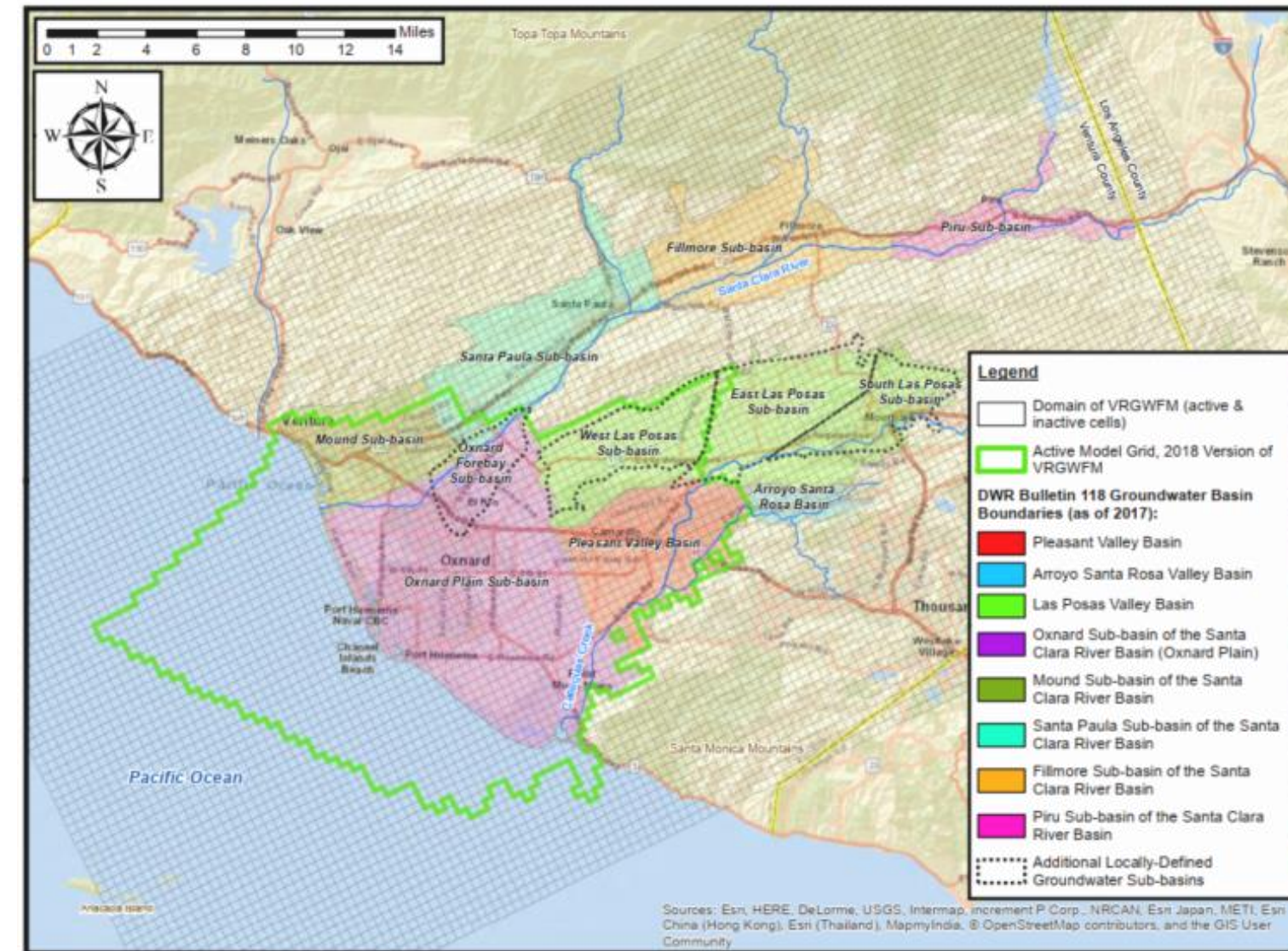


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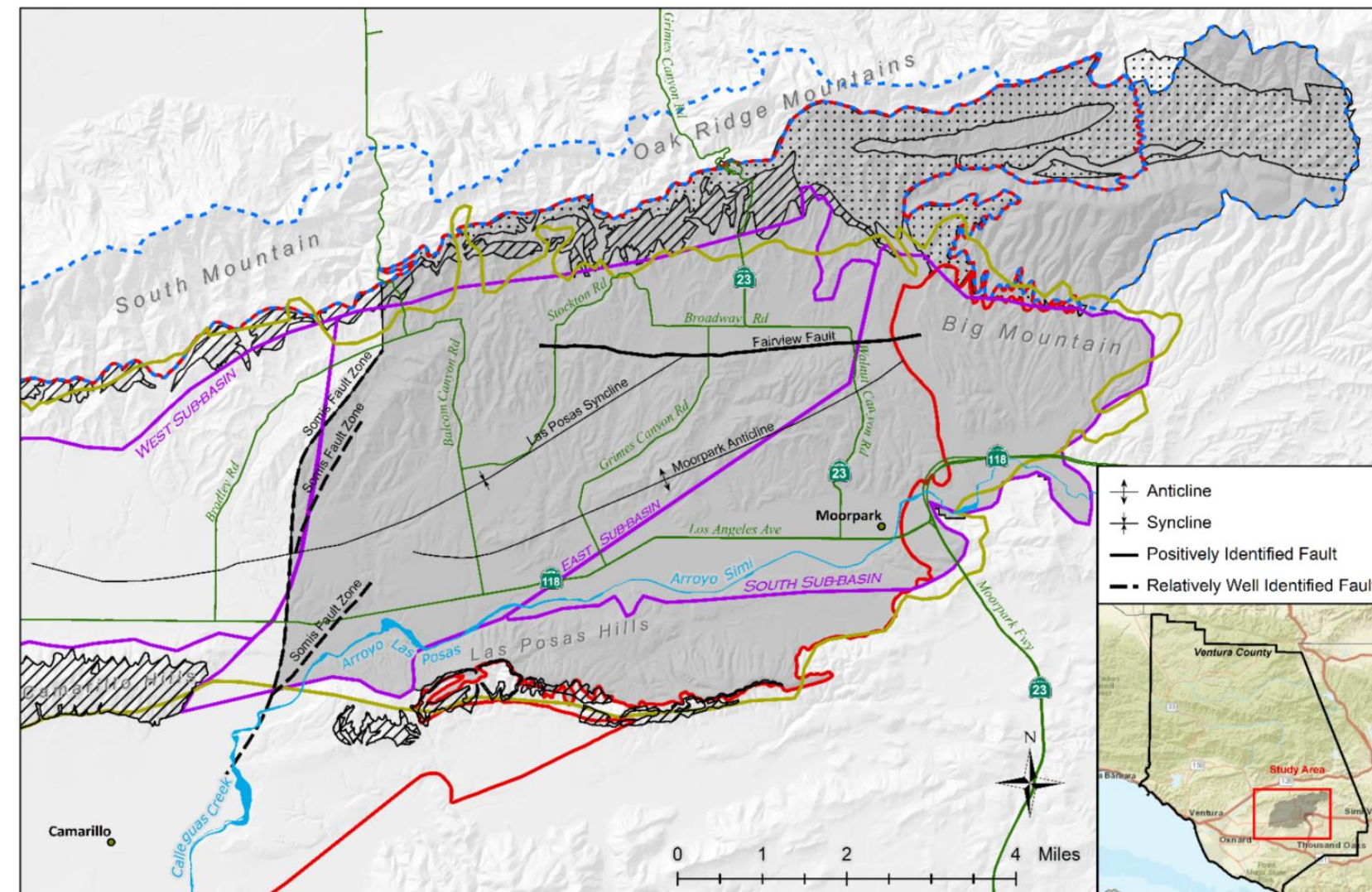


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### Management Boundaries

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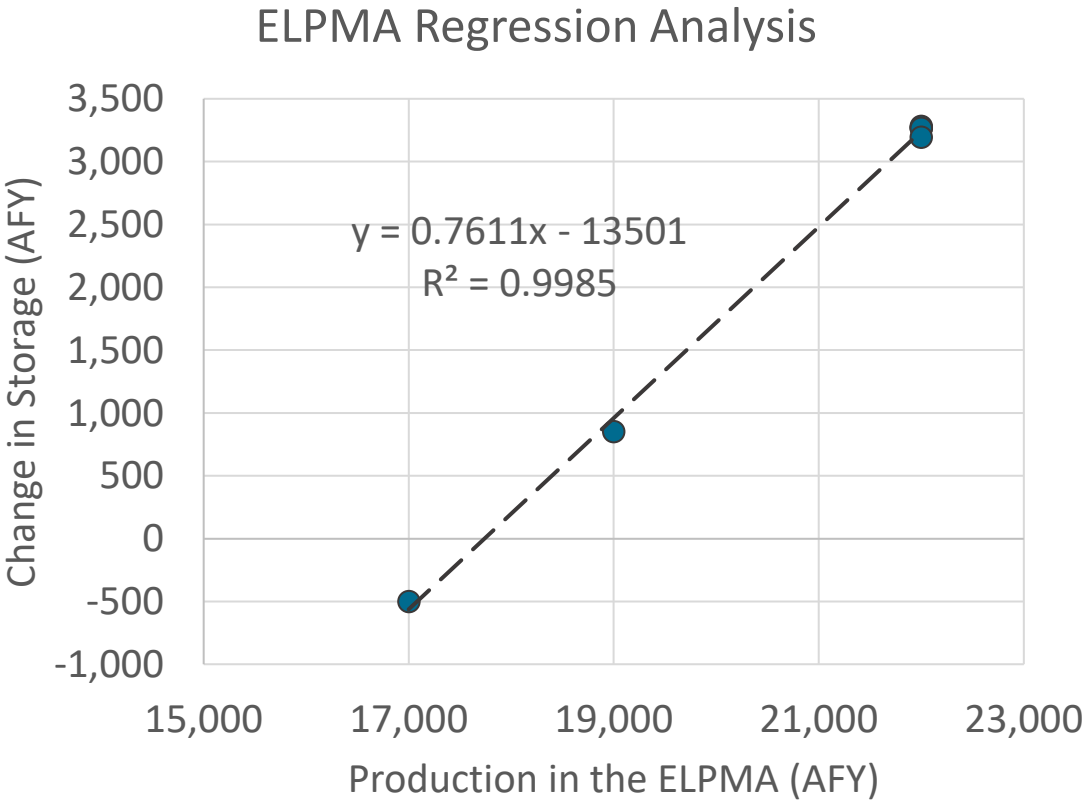
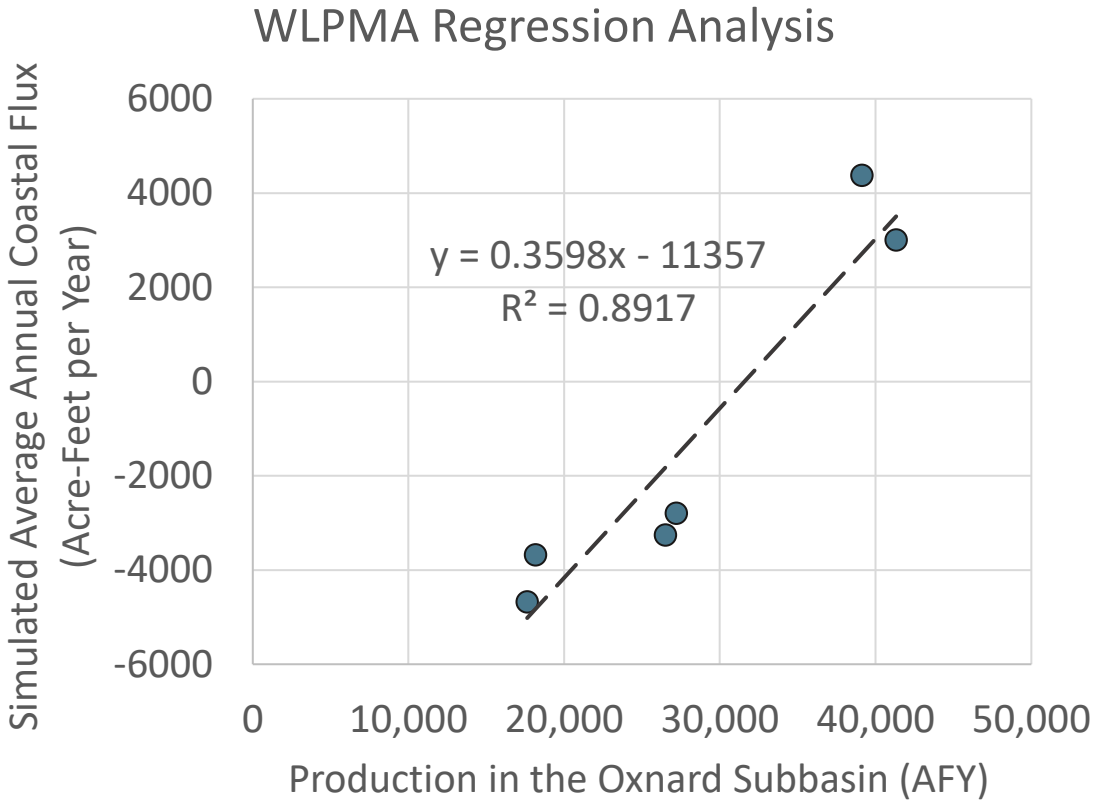
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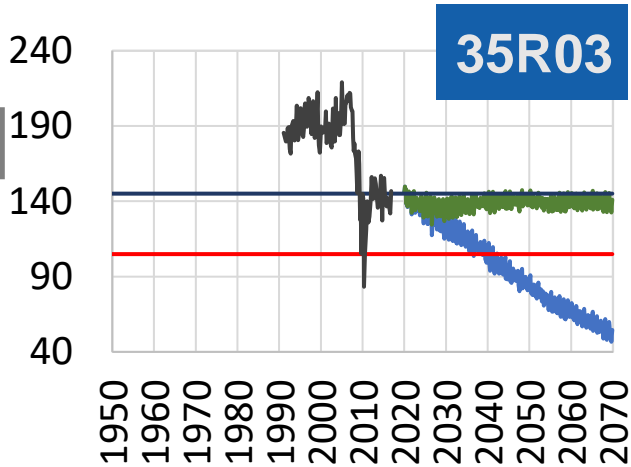
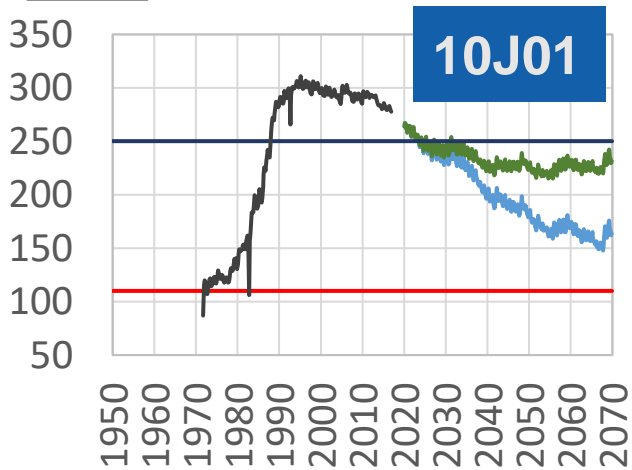
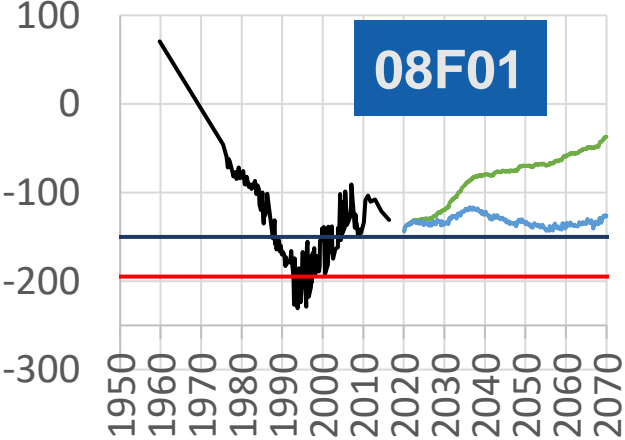
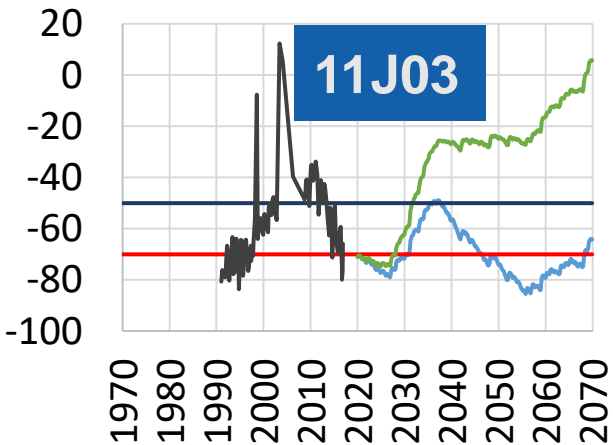
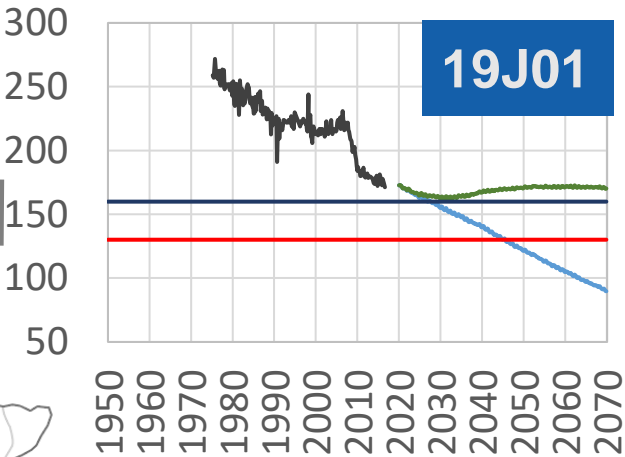
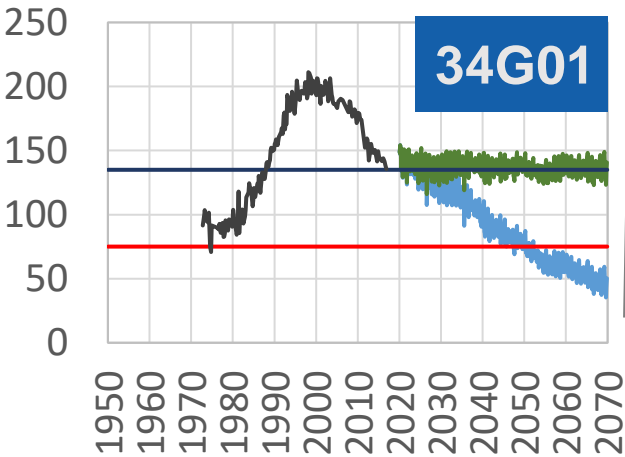


# Las Posas Valley Basin Select Hydrographs

Previous GSP Modeling

## Legend

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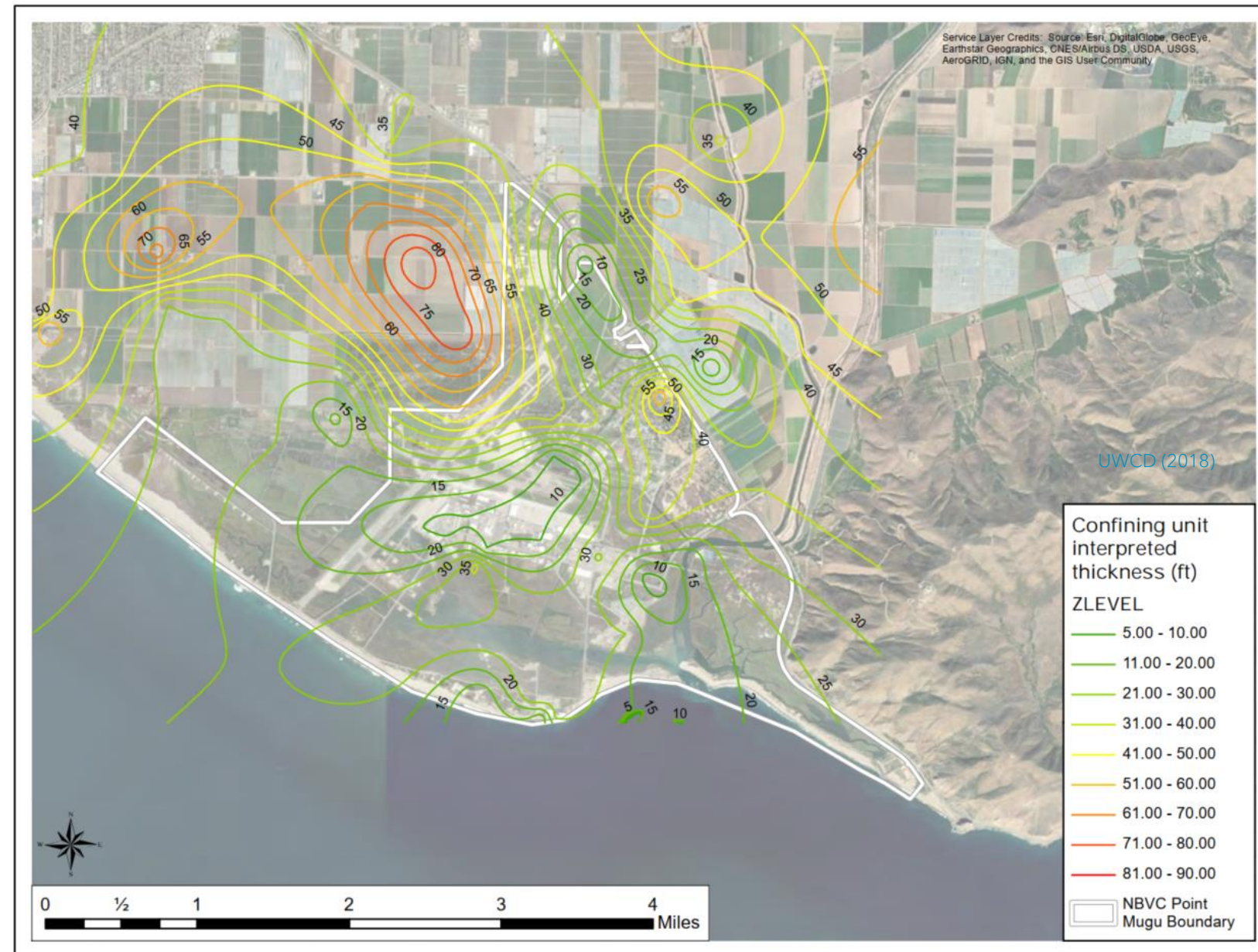


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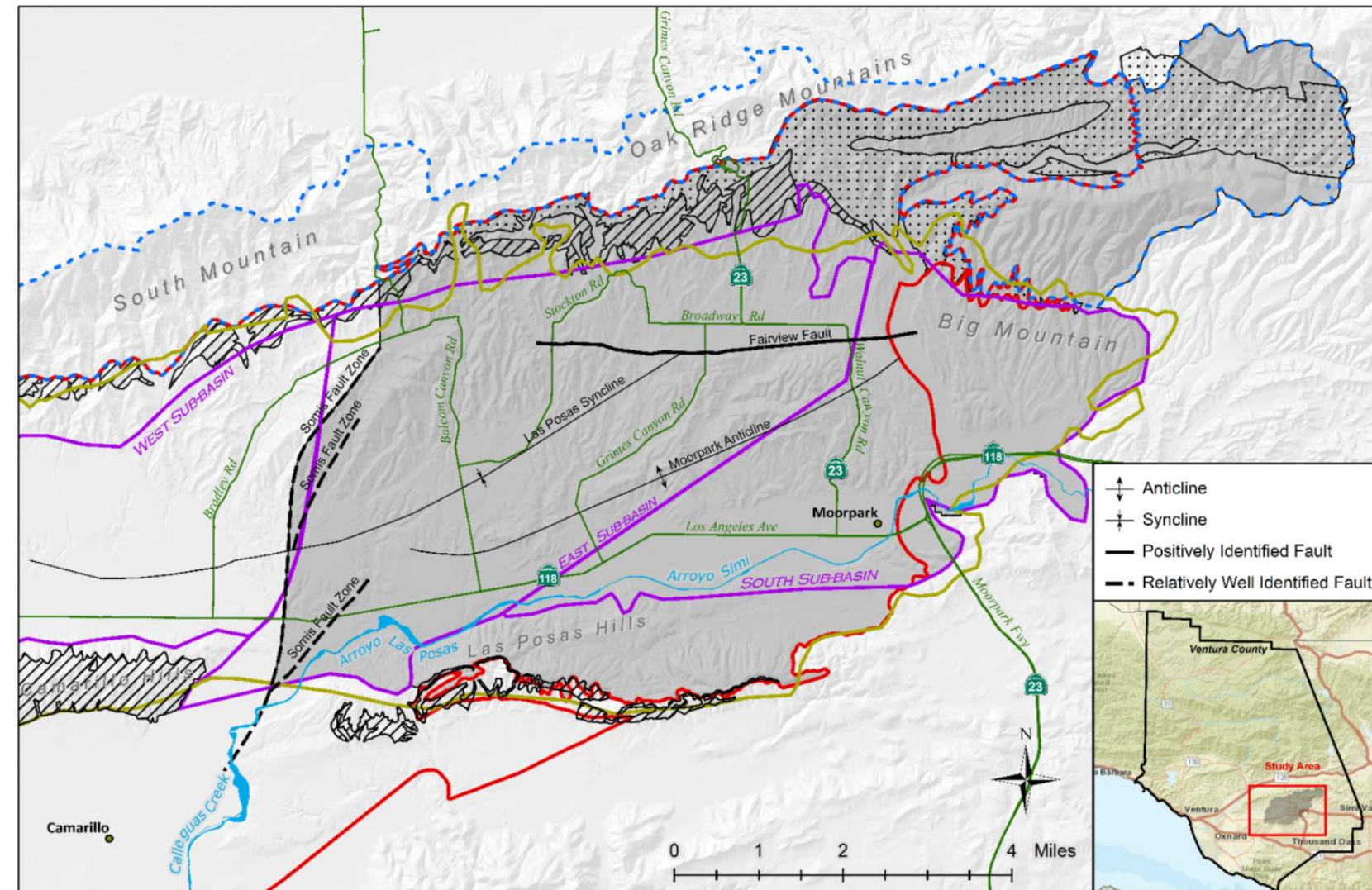


# Numerical Model Update for the ELPMA

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

## East Las Posas Model

- Numerical model provided to FCGMA by CMWD for 5-Year GSP Evaluation
- Numerical model extended through September 30, 2022, to validate predictive capabilities
- East Las Posas model was not revised as part of the 5-year GSP Evaluation



### Management Boundaries

- |   |                                |                       |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Historically Locally Recognized Las Posas Valley Sub-basins | Active Model Area              | Fox Canyon outcrop    |
| Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Area (FCGMA)              | Arroyo Simi / Arroyo Las Posas | Grimes Canyon outcrop |

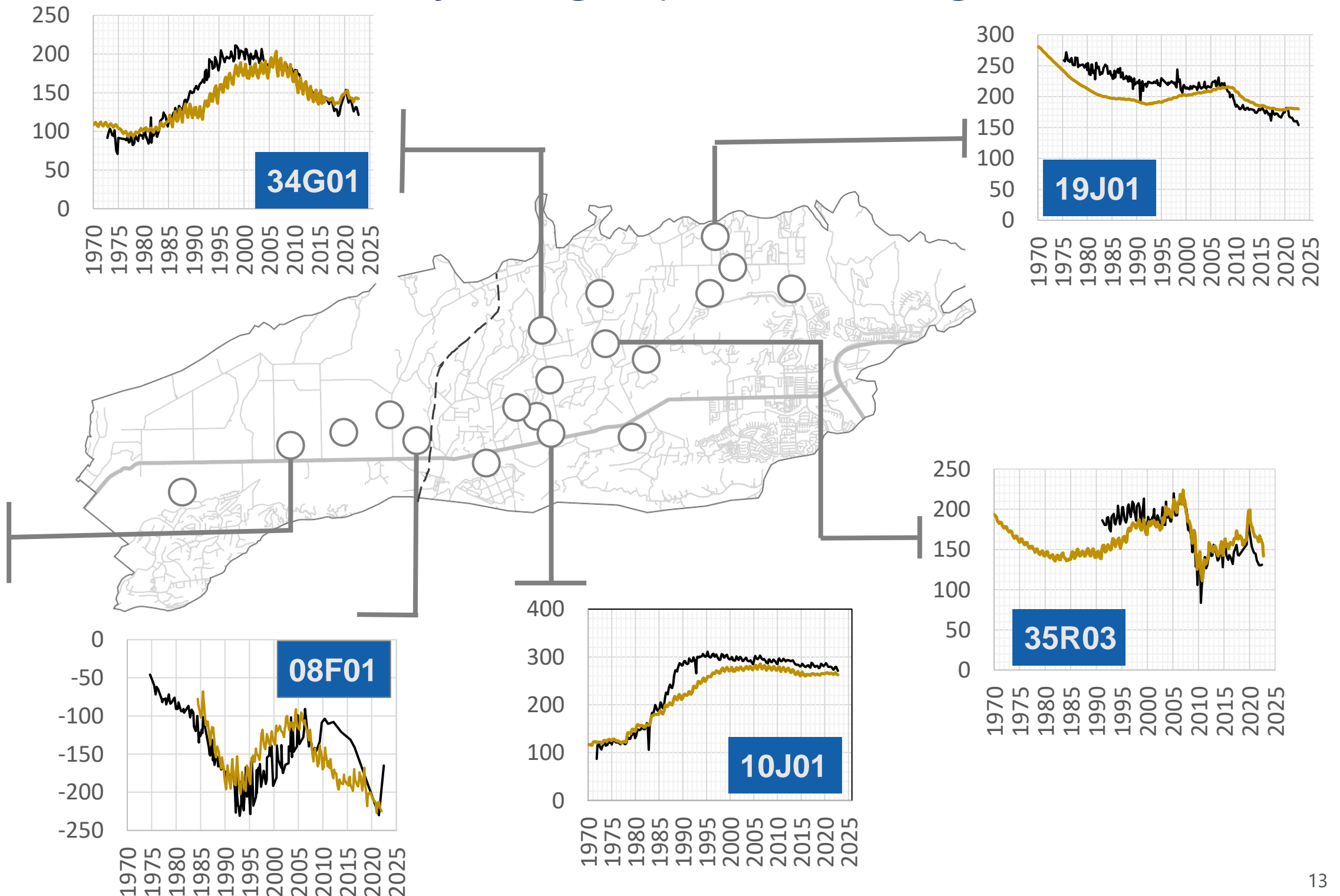
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# Las Posas Valley Basin Select Hydrographs Through WY 2022

**Legend**

Measured —

Simulated —



# Updating the GSP Modeling Scenarios

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation



## Future Baseline

### Updated pumping and expanded suite of projects

- Reflects recent pumping trends
- Includes projects that are currently funded and under construction in the LPVB and OPV



## No New Projects

### Sustainable pumping rate

- Includes projects currently funded and under construction in the LPVB and OPV



## Projects

### Integrates Management Actions and New Projects

- Adds future projects that are consistent with the Judgment and likely to be implemented in the LPVB and OPV
- Evaluates the impacts of demand reduction through voluntary temporary fallowing



## Projects With EBB

### Shifts the management framework

- Operation of UWCDs Extraction Barrier Brackish (EBB) water project
- **Only applicable for WLPMA**



# Updating the GSP Modeling Scenarios: Time Period and Hydrology

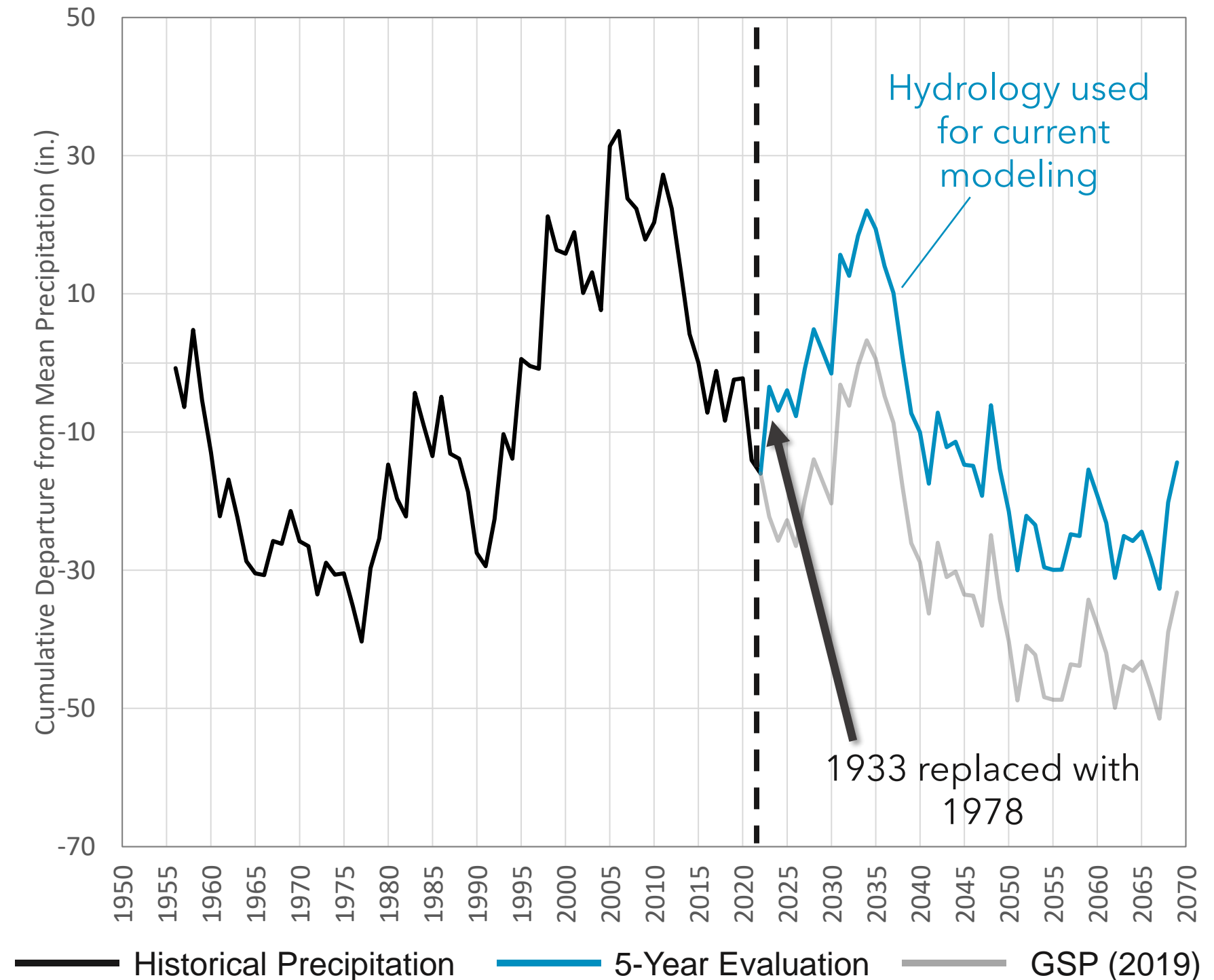
Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

## What was done for the GSP?

- Calendar Year 2020 through Calendar Year 2069
- 1930 - 1979 Hydrology, adjusted by DWR's 2070 climate change factors

## What is being simulated for the 5-year evaluation?

- Water Year 2023 through Water Year 2069
- 1933 - 1979 Hydrology, adjusted by DWR's 2070 climate change factors
  - 1933 replaced with 1978 to reflect the wet 2023 water year conditions





# Baseline Model Scenario: Pumping

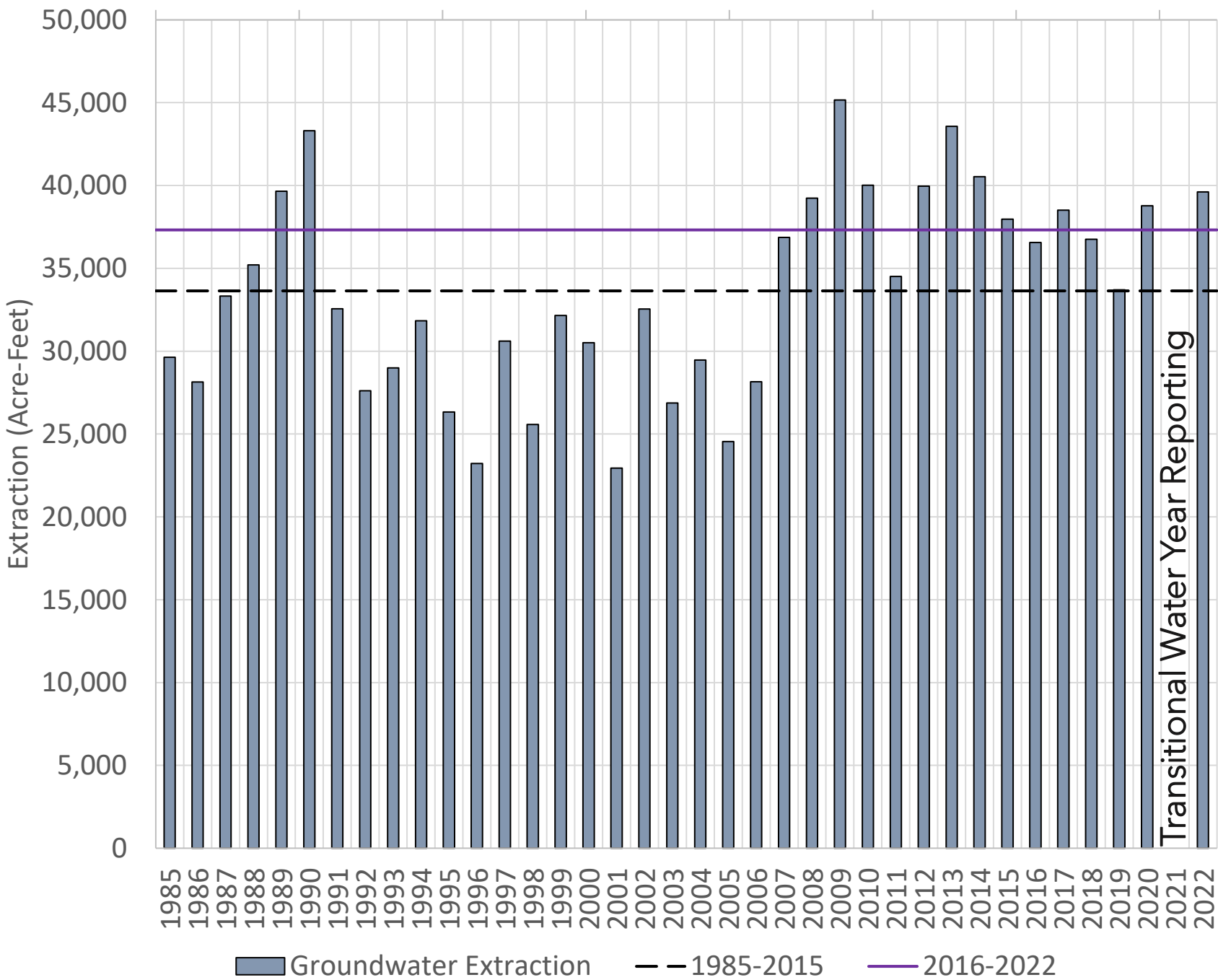
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## What was done for the GSP?

- Pumping held constant at average 2015-2017 rates

## What is being simulated for the 5-year evaluation?

- Pumping held constant at average 2016-2022 rates (37,300 AFY)
- Approximately equal to the 2015-2017 rates (37,500 AFY)
- Consistent with updated baseline rates for the OPV



AFY = Acre-Feet per Year

# Baseline Model Scenario

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

## Projects simulated in the GSP:

- Conejo Creek Project
- North Pleasant Valley Desalter Project
- AWPf Deliveries for AG

## Change in projected water supply from GSP Baseline

- Approximately 3,600 AFY of recharge from Arroyo Las Posas

## New Baseline Projects

Project Name	Project Proponent	Basin	Anticipated Water Supply (AFY)	Projected Offset Pumping Reduction (AFY)
SVWQCP Discharges to Arroyo Las Posas	-	LPVB	3,600	0
Ferro-Rose Recharge Basin	UWCD	OPV*	2,500	Variable
Supplemental SWP purchase	UWCD	OPV*	6,000	Variable
Camarillo Recycled Water Deliveries to PVCWD	City of Camarillo	OPV*	1,300	1,300
Laguna road recycled water interconnect	UWCD	OPV*	0 – 1,500	0

\*Included because these projects impact water levels in the WLPMA

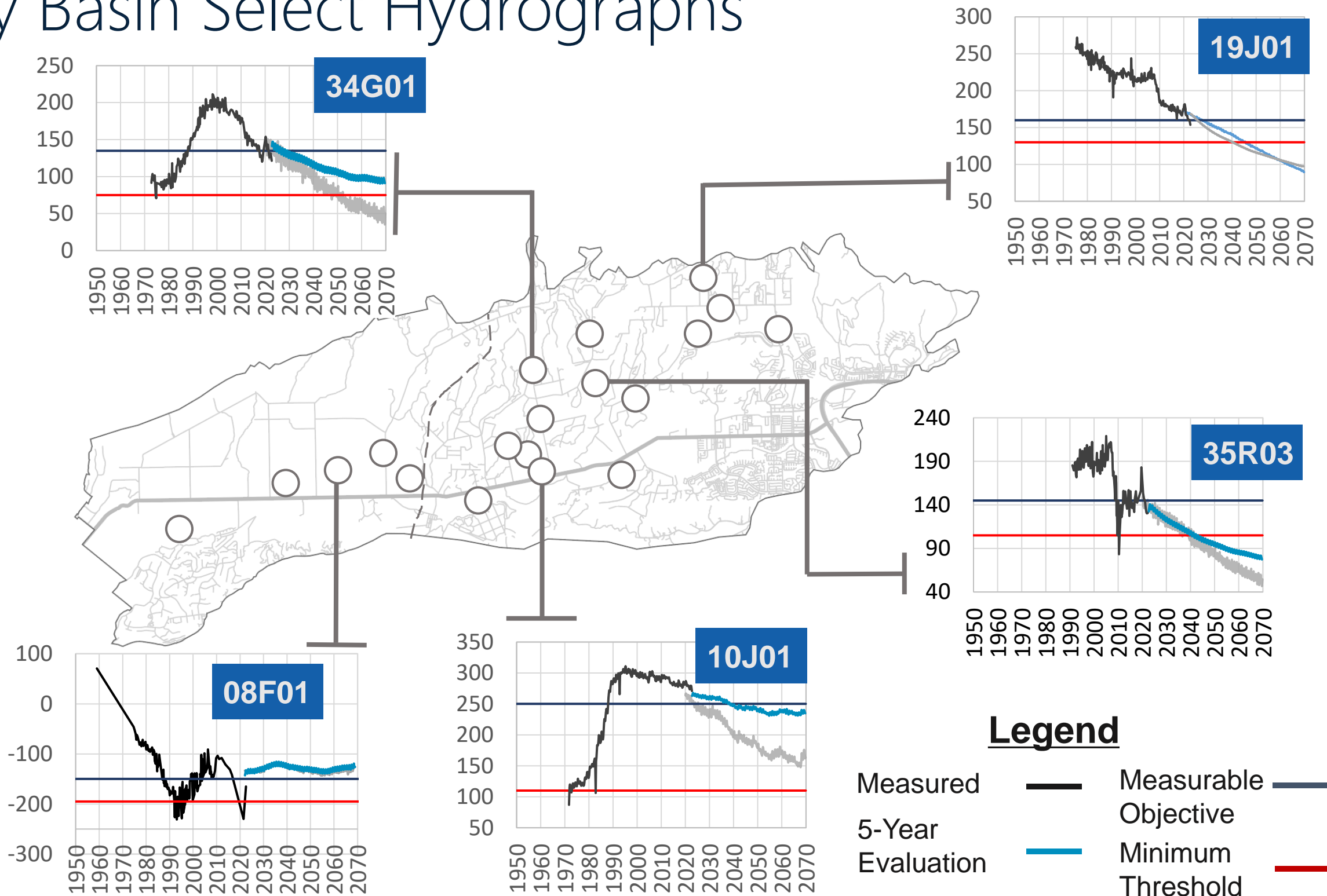
# Las Posas Valley Basin Select Hydrographs

## 5-Year Evaluation Baseline Simulated Groundwater Elevations

- Groundwater elevations in 9 of the 20 key wells are forecasted to be below the minimum thresholds established in the GSP

## Comparison to GSP Baseline Scenario

- ELPMA groundwater elevations are up to 90 feet higher than the baseline results from the GSP
- WLPMA groundwater elevations are up to 15 feet higher than the baseline results from the GSP



Preliminary Model Results Subject to Change

# Baseline Model Scenario: Preliminary Results Summary

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

## Simulated Coastal Flux

- Landward migration of the 2015 saline water impact front continues after 2040
- 50% reduction in estimated coastal flux into the UAS compared to the GSP Baseline
  - 1,600 AFY south of Port Hueneme
- 5% reduction in estimated coastal flux to the LAS compared to the GSP Baseline
  - 3,200 AFY south of Port Hueneme

## Simulated Change in Storage

- Groundwater in storage in the ELPMA declined at a 33% lower rate than the GSP Baseline
  - -2,200 AFY in the ELPMA
  - Groundwater elevations and storage exhibit chronic declines in northeastern ELPMA

## Simulated Groundwater Elevations

- Groundwater elevations remain below the minimum thresholds established in the GSP in 9 of the 20 key wells in the LPVB
- Baseline conditions are not sustainable



# No New Projects Scenario

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

- Projects, simulation period, and hydrology are consistent with the Baseline Scenario
- Groundwater extractions will be incrementally adjusted until:
  - **WLPMA**
    - No net seawater intrusion in Oxnard
  - **ELPMA**
    - No net decline in groundwater in storage
- Improves on previous estimate of sustainable yield through direct simulation rather than regression

# Projects Scenario

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

## Projects and Management Actions simulated in the GSP:

- Arundo Removal
- In-Lieu deliveries to WLPMA

## Sustainable Yield:

- Iterative adjustments to simulate pumping at the sustainable yield

## OPV Projects:

- New projects in the OPV include the Freeman Expansion
- This project will influence groundwater elevations in the WLPMA

# New Future Projects

Project Name	Project Proponent	Anticipated Water Supply (AFY)	Projected Offset Pumping Reduction (AFY)
ZMWC Infrastructure Improvement	ZMWC	0	500
Importing of surplus water	<u>Unknown</u> Will be scoped, designed, and evaluated as part of the Basin Optimization Plan.		
Arroyo Las Posas storm water capture and recharge			
Desalter construction			
Recycled water delivery pipeline			
New or modified in lieu delivery infrastructure			
Using CMWD facilities for replenishment			

# Projects with EBB Scenario

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

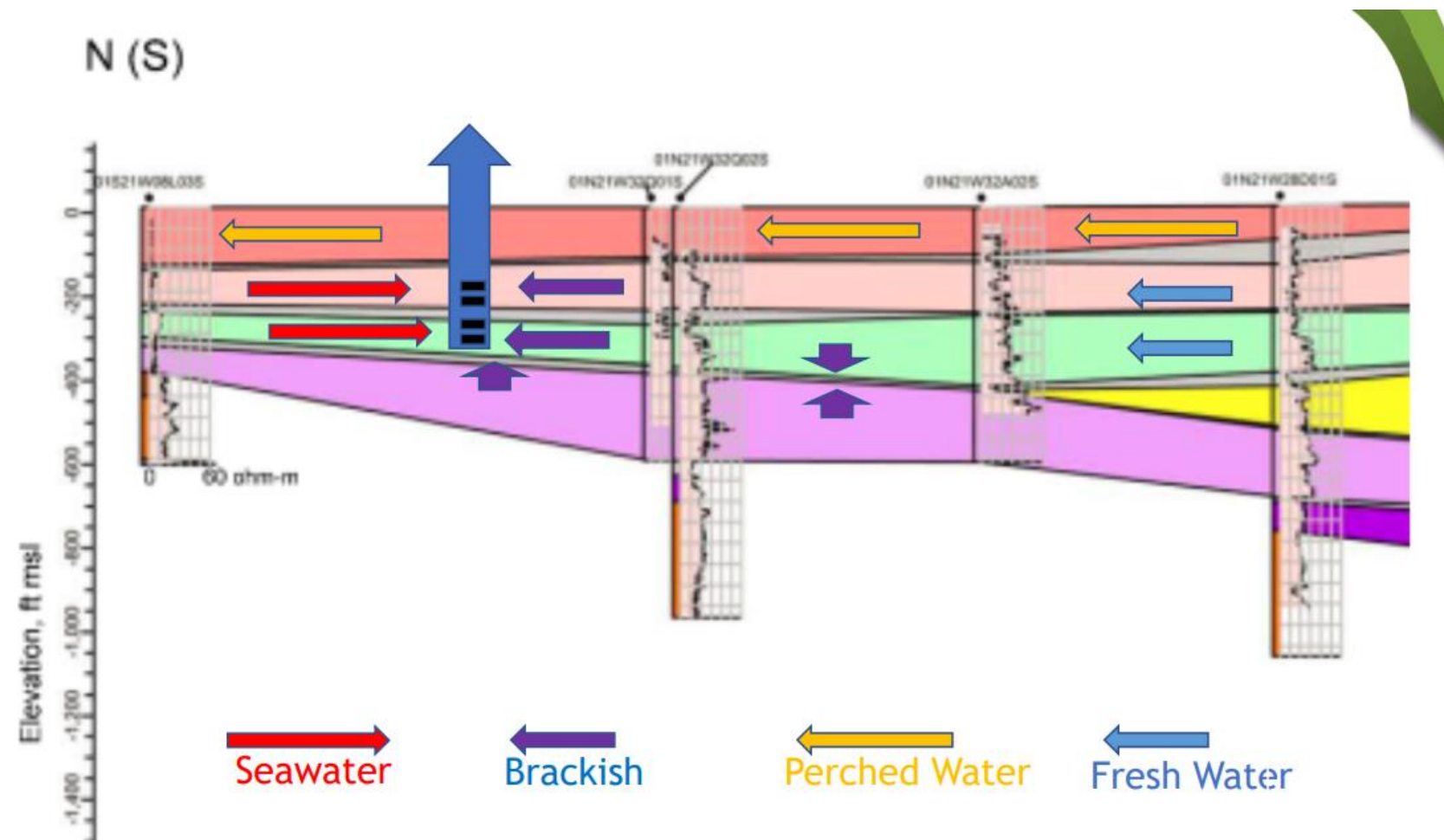
## EBB Design:

- Extraction of 10,000 AFY near Point Mugu
- 5,000 AFY of treated product water
  - 1,500 AFY delivered to Navy
  - 3,500 AFY delivered to AG operators in the OPV

## Sustainable Yield and Management Criteria

- Revised method for tracking landward seawater intrusion
- Revised Minimum thresholds and measurable objective

Project Name	Project Proponent	Anticipated Water Supply (Acre-Feet per Year)	Projected Offset Pumping Reduction
Extraction Barrier Brackish Water Project	UWCD	5,000	3,500 - 5,000



# Updating the GSP Modeling Scenarios

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation



## Future Baseline

### Status

- Preliminary Simulations Complete

### Results

- Projected future seawater intrusion into Oxnard
- Projected future decline in groundwater in storage in the LPVB

## No New Projects

### Status

- Simulations are underway

### Results

- Preliminary results anticipated end of April/May 2024

## Projects

### Status

- Simulations are under development

### Results

- Preliminary results anticipated May 2024

## Projects With EBB

### Status

- Simulations have not started

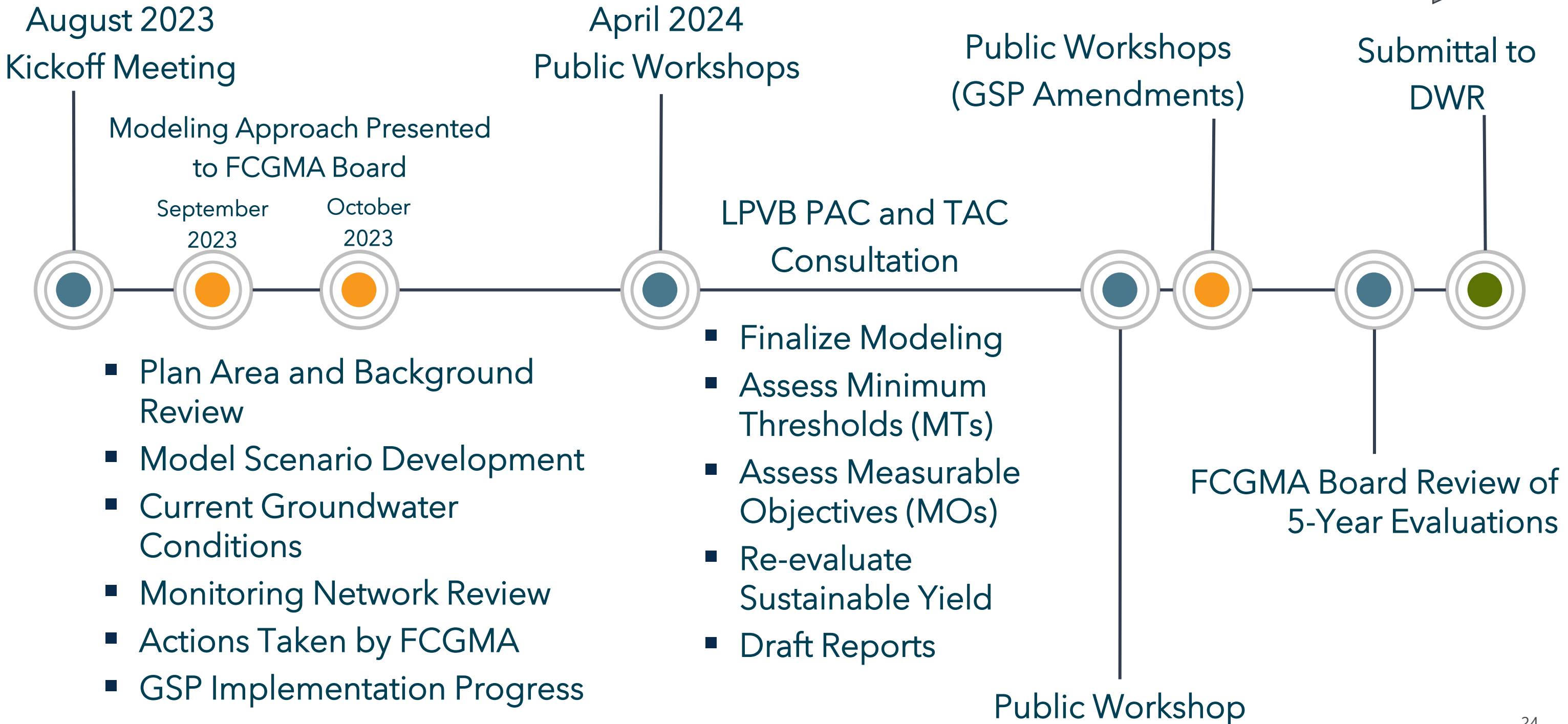
### Results

- Preliminary results anticipated June 2024



# Stakeholder Involvement

5-Year Evaluation Timeline



# Questions & Answers

# Groundwater Sustainability Plan Five-Year Evaluations Development Timelines and Workshops

Item No. 2 – April 24, 2024



Arne Anselm  
Interim Executive Officer



# Background

- SGMA requires Groundwater Sustainability Agencies to evaluate their GSPs at least every 5 years
- GSP emergency regulations specify minimum scope of evaluation
- Board approved a new contract with Dudek on December 9, 2022, including 5-year evaluations
- DWR requires GSPs amended if evaluation leads to changes to projects or overall management of the basin





# GSP Amendments

- DWR's GSP Implementation Guidance requires the preparation of GSP amendments
- GSP Amendments require stakeholder engagement
- One workshop is devoted to GSP Amendment Review and Feedback

# GSP Evaluation Tasks and Schedule

Activity	2023												2024												2025			
	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A
Five Year GSP Evaluation																												
Stakeholder Engagement / Outreach																												
Workshop No. 1 LPV & OPV								X																				
Workshops No. 2																												
GSP Amendment Review and Workshops No. 3																												
5-year Evaluation Review and Workshops No. 4																												
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Modeling and Data Analysis																												
Report Preparation																												
Monitoring Network Review																												
New Information																												
Projects and Management Actions																												
Current Groundwater Conditions																												
Plan Element Review																												
Agency Action and Coordination																												
Report Review																												
Public Review																												
Report Revisions																												
Final Report to FCGMA																												
FCGMA Board Adopts Reports																												
Reports Submitted to DWR																												



# Separate Workshops for OPV and LPV

- Workshop No. 2: April 2024 – Modeling Results
  - LPV April 24, 2024, 5:30 – 8:00, Ventura County Board Room
  - OPV April 25, 2024, 5:30 – 8:00, Ventura County Board Room
- Workshop No. 3: October 2024 – 5-year Evaluation Review and Feedback
  - LPV October 2024
  - OPV October 2024
- Workshop No. 4 – July 2024 November 2024 – GSP Amendment Review and Feedback
  - LPV November 2024
  - OPV November 2024



## Workshop No. 2: April 2024 – Modeling

- Five-year Evaluation Timeline
- Previous GSP Modeling
- Modeling for the Five-year Evaluation
- Opportunities for engagement



# Recommendations

- Provide feedback
- Receive and file this presentation

## **Separate Workshops for OPV and LPV**

**LPV     April 24, 2024, 5:30 – 8:00**

**OPV     April 25, 2024, 5:30 – 8:00**

**Both in this Board Room**



# Stakeholder Workshops

- The kick-off stakeholder workshop for all three groundwater basins was held on Wednesday, August 30, 2023, at 6:00 PM
- Dudek presented and held a Q&A with FCGMA technical staffs and them
- A video of the kick-off workshop, an audio recording of the Q&A session, and a PowerPoint presentation are available in the GSP section on [FCGMA.org](https://www.fcgma.org).
- Next three workshops will be separate for LPV and OPV
  - Initial modeling run results
  - 5-year evaluation
  - GSP amendments



# GSP Evaluations Groundwater Modeling

- Under the guidance of FCGMA and Dudek, UWCD is conducting modeling for the West Las Posas Management Area and the OPV basins
- The modeling incorporates
  - updated groundwater conditions,
  - improved understanding of coastal aquifer hydrostratigraphy, and
  - updated projects

# Future Modeling Scenarios

- **Baseline** – Sets the baseline for future groundwater conditions if no new projects or management actions are implemented
- **No Projects** – Evaluates pumping reductions that would be required to achieve sustainable groundwater management by 2040 if no new projects are implemented
- **Projects Without the Proposed Extraction Brackish Barrier (EBB) Project** – Evaluates the sustainable yield and pumping rates required to achieve sustainable groundwater management by 2040 with new projects, but without the proposed EBB project
- **Projects with the Proposed EBB Project** – Evaluates sustainable yield and pumping rates required to achieve sustainable groundwater management by 2040 with the new suite of projects including UWCD's proposed EBB project
  - This scenario is not modeled for LPV





# Projects modeled

- OPV basins includes:
  - Projects previously added to the GSP projects list and
  - Projects selected through the annual project prioritization process approved by your Board at the June 28, 2023, meeting
  - Only could include projects for which sufficient detail is presently known to quantify in the modeling
  - Those with insufficient detail to model will be identified in the five-year GSP evaluations
- LPV Basin projects are those identified in the LPV Adjudication Judgment.

# FOX CANYON GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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Arne Anselm

April 24, 2024

Board of Directors  
Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency  
800 South Victoria Avenue  
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**SUBJECT: Agency Staffing Analysis and Task Prioritization – (New Item)**

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** (1) Receive a presentation on analysis of needed staffing levels to meet current task prioritization; and (2) Provide Board direction on task prioritization.

## **DISCUSSION:**

This item follows your Board's discussion at the December 1, 2023, meeting regarding future staffing needs of the Agency and the discussion at the January 12, 2024, meeting on Agency task prioritization. On March 27, 2024, your Board directed a report to be provided at this meeting on the staffing level needed to accomplish your Board's priorities and how the Agency can meet those priorities through current staffing levels and contract support through the end of the year.

## **Work Tasks Prioritization**

As presented to your Board there are seven principal drivers of the Agency's work tasks: Board Meetings, Legislation and Regulations, Judgment and Litigation, Ordinances, Resolutions, Grants, and Board Direction. These are presented in the attached item 3A. The staff's evaluation is that all work tasks are important, and most are urgent.

## **Staffing Analysis**

In response to your Board's request a report be provided at this meeting on the staffing level needed to accomplish Agency work tasks. Hallmark Group was contracted to analyze the Agency's staffing needs to accomplish its work, tasks, and responsibilities for two time periods: (1) May of 2024 through the end of December 2024, and (2) for the fiscal year July 2024 – June 2025. The first in response to your Board's request, the second to assist with workplan and budget development for FY 24-25. Agency staff have been working closely with Hallmark Group to identify Agency work, tasks, and responsibilities, internal administrative processes, and steps necessary to timely complete tasks. The final report is not available at the time of this writing. A presentation on the number and type of FTEs needed for the Agency to accomplish its work, tasks, and responsibilities along with how current and future staffing and contract support match to your Board's priorities through the end of this calendar year will be presented at the April 24, 2024, for your Board's input and further direction on task prioritization.

**CONCLUSION:**

This letter has been reviewed by Agency Counsel. If you have any questions, please call me at (805) 654-3942.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Arne Erik Anselm". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Arne" and last name "Anselm" being more prominent than the middle name "Erik".

Arne Anselm  
Interim Executive Officer

Attachments: Item 3A – FCGMA Work Task Prioritization

### FCGMA Work Tasks and Prioritization

Task	Frequency	Importance	Urgency	Current Priority
<b>I. Board Meetings</b>				
1. Board meetings, agendas, minutes	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	1
2. Committee meetings, agendas, minutes	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	1
<b>II. Legislation and Regulations</b>				
1. GSP 5-Year Evaluation	Periodic	Important	Urgent	2
2. GSP Annual Reports	Periodic	Important	Urgent	2
3. Annual Work Plan & Budget	Periodic	Important	Urgent	2
4. Biennial Audit	Periodic	Important	Urgent	2
5. Public Records Act (PRA) Requests	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	2
<b>III. Judgment and Litigation</b>				
1. LPV Adjudication Judgment	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	3
a. Watermaster Admin	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	3
b. Basin Optimization Yield Study	Periodic	Important	Urgent	3
c. Basin Optimization Plan	Periodic	Important	Urgent	3
2. OPV Adjudication	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	3
a. Discovery	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	3
<b>IV. Ordinance</b>				
1. Semi-Annual Statements (SAES)	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	4
a. Programming and mailing	Periodic	Important	Urgent	4
b. Processing	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	4
1. Entering paper SAES	Periodic	Important	Urgent	4
2. Review flowmeter photos	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	4
3. Payments, refunds, etc.	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	4
4. Customer service, walk-ins, etc.	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	4
2. Well Permit Applications	Periodic	Important	Urgent	4
3. Allocation Transfer Requests	Periodic	Important	Urgent	4
4. Flowmeters & AMI	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	4
a. Calibration review & processing	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	4
b. Flowmeter replacement, rollover, water usage estimates	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	4
c. AMI data management	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	4
5. Owner and/or operator changes	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	4
6. Compliance/Enforcement	Ongoing	Important	Not Urgent	5
a. Non-reporting	Ongoing	Important	Not Urgent	5
b. Failure to register change of owner/operator	Ongoing	Important	Not Urgent	5
c. Flowmeter calibration	Ongoing	Important	Not Urgent	5
d. AMI	Ongoing	Important	Not Urgent	5
<b>V. Resolution</b>				
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2. NPV Desalter	Ongoing	Important	Not Urgent	5
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<b>VI. Grant - SGM implementation Rd 1</b>				
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2. Subgrantee awards to UWCD, PVCWD, Camarillo	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	6
3. Quarterly reports	Ongoing	Important	Urgent	6
<b>VII. Board Direction</b>				
1. Oxnard well destruction (in progress)	One-Time	Important	Urgent	6
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# STAFFING ANALYSIS FOR THE FOX CANYON GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY

*Prepared by the Hallmark Group*

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April 2024

# PURPOSE

- Hallmark Group was contracted to develop a report analyzing the staffing requirements for the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (FCGMA) tasks listed in the “FCGMA Work Tasks and Prioritization” table for:
  - The end of the calendar year (9-months), and
  - Full 12-month period

# STAFFING ANALYSIS METHODOLOGY

- Hallmark Group developed an excel sheet of the main tasks in the FCGMA Work Tasks and Prioritization sheet and identified subtasks to assist in creating detailed work hour estimates
- An initial interview with FCGMA staff was held to review assumptions and FCGMA supplied estimates for subtasks that were rolled up to the task level shown in the FCGMA Work Task and Prioritization sheet
- A list of the subtasks used for the analysis is presented for Board review/comment

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# REPORT CONSIDERATIONS

- Report relies on preliminary staff estimate of hours and the subtasks need to be refined to increase the accuracy of the staffing need assessment
- Several FCGMA tasks do not include hours that have not been initiated yet, or are on hold. Additional time will be required to determine the future level of effort required for those tasks
- The tasks listed in the FCGMA Work Tasks and Prioritization sheet do not include all the tasks required to manage and operate the FCGMA and additional tasks may need to be included for an accurate FCGMA staffing assessment

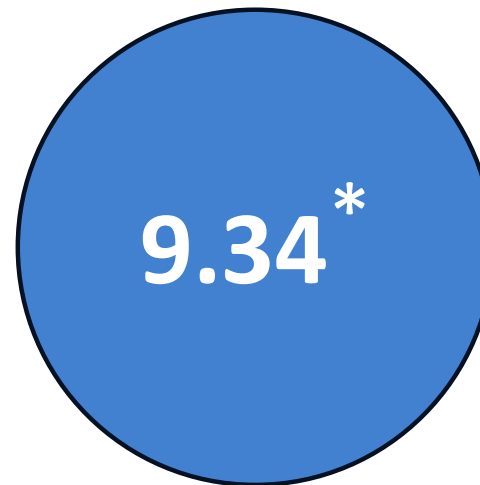


# FTE REQUIREMENT

Through End of 2024  
(9-Months)



Fiscal Year Period  
(12-Months)



\*Does not include time for tasks not initiated yet, or un-listed FCGMA management tasks

# FTE REQUIREMENT

Ref. #	Task Description	No/Limited Hours	9-Month Only	Monthly Hours	Monthly FTE
<b>I.</b>	<b>Board Meetings</b>			<b>171.50</b>	<b>1.07</b>
1	Board meetings, agendas, minutes			165.25	1.03
2	Committee meetings, agendas, minutes			6.25	0.04
<b>II.</b>	<b>Legislation and Regulations</b>			<b>344.14</b>	<b>2.15</b>
1	GSP 5-Year Evaluation		x	197.39	1.23
2	GSP Annual Reports			49.00	0.31
3	Annual Work Plan & Budget			33.00	0.21
4	Biennial Audit			13.25	0.08
5	PRAs			51.50	0.32
<b>III.</b>	<b>Judgement and Litigation</b>			<b>102.75</b>	<b>0.64</b>
1	LPV Adjudication Judgement				
a	Watermaster Admin			102.25	0.64
b	Basin Optimization Yield Study	x		0.50	0.00
c	Basin Optimization Plan	x		0.00	0.00
2	OPV Adjudication	x		0.00	0.00
a	Discovery	x		0.00	0.00

# FTE REQUIREMENT

Ref. #	Task Description	No/Limited Hours	9-Month Only	Monthly Hours	Monthly FTE
<b>IV.</b>	<b>Ordinance</b>			<b>896.75</b>	<b>5.60</b>
1	Semi-Annual Statements (SAES)				
a	Programming and mailing			66.25	0.41
b	Processing			308.75	1.93
2	Well Permit Applications			10.00	0.06
3	Allocation Transfer Requests			56.00	0.35
4	Flowmeters & AMI			237.00	1.48
5	Owner and/or operator changes			94.75	0.59
6	Compliance/Enforcement				
a	Non-Reporting			110.00	0.69
b	Failure to register change of owner/o	x		0.00	0.00
c	Flowmeter calibration			14.00	0.09
d	AMI	x		0.00	0.00
<b>V.</b>	<b>Resolution</b>			<b>51.75</b>	<b>0.32</b>
1	Conejo Creek Project			14.20	0.09
2	NPV Desalter			14.45	0.09
3	GREAT / RWPA Program			23.10	0.14

# FTE REQUIREMENT

Ref. #	Task Description	No/Limited Hours	9-Month Only	Monthly Hours	Monthly FTE
<b>VI.</b>	<b>Grant - SGMA Imp. Rd 1</b>			<b>100.33</b>	<b>0.63</b>
1	OPV monitoring well installation			91.83	0.57
2	Subgrantee awards to UWCD, PVCWD, Camarillo			3.00	0.02
3	Quarterly reports			5.50	0.03
<b>VII.</b>	<b>Board Direction</b>			<b>40.17</b>	<b>0.25</b>
1	Oxnard well destruction		x	15.42	0.10
2	Project prioritization			9.80	0.06
3	Replenishment fee	x		0.75	0.00
4	OPV variance applications			11.20	0.07
5	New data management system procurem	x		0.00	0.00
6	CombCode - ordinance amendments	x		0.00	0.00
7	Study of independent staffing for Agency	x		3.00	0.02
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>1707.39</b>	<b>10.67</b>



# SUBTASKS USED FOR FTE ANALYSIS

Ref #	Task Description			
I.	Board Meetings			
1	Board meetings, agendas, minutes			
	PM Monday meeting with EO			
	Agenda development			
	Board doc development/review			
	Develop financials and POB			
	Board presentation development			
	Board letter (drafts and reviews)			
	Board meeting			
	Board follow up/tasks			
	Pre and post debriefing board meetings			
	Draft Minutes			
2	Committee meetings, agendas, minutes			
	Agenda development			
	Board doc development/review			
	Board presentation development			
	Committee meeting			
	Board follow up/tasks			
	Draft Minutes			
II.	Legislation and Regulations			
1	GSP 5-Year Evaluation			
	OPV			
	PM with consultant			
	Review of 3 public workshop materials			
	Review United modeling summary as needed and meetings on EBB project			
	Process invoices for consultant			
	Fiscal processing (County staff dedicated [not full time])			
	Workshop promo / outreach Q&A / site logistics			
	Prep with Dudek (1 hr/wkshop)			
	Public workshop attendance (3hrs/workshop)			
	Request, file and forward data			
	Review draft reports			
	Staff upload to DWR portal			
	LPV			
	Noticing and update watermaster site (PAC develops agendas and minutes)			
	Maintaining Constant Contact/stakeholder lists			
	Developing database specifications for LPV reporting and testing, invoices			
	Processing LPV BA payments & associated tasks			
	Develop Extraction and Monitoring tool for LPV reporting			
	Request, file, and forward data			
	LPV annual allocations			
	Review draft report			
	PAC meetings every two weeks (3-6pm)			
	PAC draft memos for PAC consultation			
	Response reports to PAC recommendation report			
	TAC being assembled			
	TAC consultation (new uses, annual reports, basin optimization yield study, basin optimization yield plan, localized restrictions on extractions, interim increase to rampdown, adjustment of carryover parameters,)			
	Staff upload to DWR portal			
2	GSP Annual Reports			
	OPV 5-Yr GSP Implementation			
	Develop RFP and on-board consultant			
	Coordinate with consultant on development			
	Review results with subcommittee			
	Public outreach (mailing, posting, develop comment matrix with staff response)			
	Process invoices for consultant			
	Request, file and forward data			
	Review draft reports			
	Staff prepare for and upload to DWR portal			
	LPV 5-Yr GSP Implementation			
	Develop RFP and on-board consultant?			
	Coordinate with consultant on development			
	Review results with subcommittee			
	Public outreach (mailing, posting, develop comment matrix with staff response)			
	Process invoices for consultant			
	Request, file and forward data			
	Review draft reports			
	PAC meetings every two weeks (3-6pm)			
	TAC being assembled			
	Staff upload to DWR portal - Kathleen (6 hrs)			
3	Annual Work Plan & Budget			
	Budget mid-year review			
	Budget & cash flow development			
	Review with subcommittee			
	Finalize budget (finalize, post on web, etc.)			
4	Biennial Audit			
	Develop RFP and on-board audit firm?			
	Staff interface on audit development			
	Staff review of audit report			
	Process invoices for consultant			
5	PRAs			
	Number?? Staff effort. Coord with legal?			
	Public Inquiries			
	Customer inquiries			
III.	Judgement and Litigation			
1	LPV Adjudication Judgement			
a	Watermaster Admin			
	Initial mailout to recipients			
	PRAs			
	Budget and workflow			
	PAC Meetings			
	Customer inquiries			
	Well registration, change of extraction			
	Data analysis missing wells database vs judgment			
	WMID confirmations and changes			
	Database design, additions, changes, testing			
	Watermaster webpage, design, content & review			
b	Basin Optimization Yield Study			
c	Basin Optimization Plan			
2	OPV Adjudication			
a	Discovery			
	Not started yet? Many tasks? How many stakeholders/wells?			
IV.	Ordinance			
	Well Registration			
	Unregistered wells			
	Owner and/or operator changes			
	Validate SWN / APN / Owner / Agent			
	Validate / Set Up Account Structure & network files			
	Revised/New SAES & Outreach			
	Scan / File / Notes			
1	Semi-Annual Statements (SAES)			
a	Programming and mailing			
	Design updates (ea. enhancement)			
	Develop business rules			
	Testing			
	Production / Mail			
b	Processing			
1)	Entering paper SAES			
2)	Review flowmeter photos			
3)	Payments (apply payment, generate receipt, fiscal report)			
4)	Refunds (research, memo, approval, adjustment receipt, transmittal)			
5)	Customer service, walk-ins, etc.			
6)	Deficiency reporting (research, correspondence, follow up)			
7)	CP Waivers (review, report, memo, db adjustment, correspondence, records update)			
8)	CombCode changes (review permit conditions & owner approval, account / file setu			
9)	Surcharges			
10)	Supervisor/ Manager Follow-up/Review			
11)	Non-Reporters			
2	Well Permit Applications			
	Review for completeness, process applications (including research, and analyses)			
3	Allocation Transfer Requests			
	Variances - review for completeness, process applications (including research, and anal			
	Transfers - review for completeness, process applications (including research, and anal			
4	Flowmeters & AMI			
a	Calibration review and processing			
b	Flowmeter replacement, rollover			
c	AMI data management			
d	NOs			
	Annual Flowmeter Exemptions			
e	Domestic AMI Exemptions			
f	Groundwater Estimate Analysis			
h	Data Management System Meetings			

# SUBTASKS USED FOR FTE ANALYSIS

5	Owner and/or operator changes
5	Late/Non-Reporters
a	Follow up with non-reporters
	Access Civil Penalties
	Data Entry (and billing) into FCGMA Online
	Recommendation to EO for enforcement action
	Process civil penalty
6	Compliance/Enforcement
	Mail meter calibration notices, NOVs, and letters.
a	Non-Reporting
b	Failure to register change of owner/operator
c	Flowmeter calibration
d	AMI
V.	Resolution
1	Conejo Creek Project
	Compliance monitoring
	Report Review
	Annual Meeting
2	NPV Desalter
	Compliance monitoring
	Report Review
	Annual Meeting
3	GREAT / RWPA Program
	Compliance monitoring
	Report Review
	Credits
	Review reporting
	Update credit records
	Board Approved Projects
	CMWD LPVB ELPMA ASR
	Compliance monitoring
VI.	Grant - SGMA Imp. Rd 1
1	OPV monitoring well installation
2	Subgrantee awards to UWCD, PVCWD, Camarillo
3	Quarterly reports
	Collect, review invoices and develop invoice package
	Grant closeout reports (final deliverables, etc.)
	Post-grant performance reports
4	Grant -Follow-up Compliance
5	GSP Implementation
	Monitoring well installation and follow-up monitoring
	Meetings, studies, analyses ....
6	Upgrades to existing and development plans for new Data Managment System

VII.	Board Direction
1	Oxnard well destruction
2	Project prioritization
3	Replenishment fee
4	OPV variance applications
5	New data management system procurement
6	CombCode - ordinance amendments
7	Study of independent staffing for Agency

# ADDITIONAL TASKS

## 1 Administration

- a Consultant management (contracts)
- b FCGMA general strategy/leadership
- c HR/personnel issues
- d Insurance renewal (D&O? GL?)
- e Grant proposals
- f FCGMA collaboration meetings
- g Respond to public inquiries

## 2 Outreach

- a Monthly time for stakeholder support
- b Website update and hosting
- c Mailings
- d Newsletter
- e Workshops
- f Attend stakeholder meetings

## 3 Financial Mgmt

- a FCGMA invoices
- b Review consultant contracts
- c Process payables

## 4 New/Replacement Well Review

- a Replacement wells
- b New wells

## NEXT STEPS

- Hallmark Group recommends the following potential next steps:
  1. Refine hour estimates for FCGMA tasks by reviewing detailed staff timesheets and follow up staff interviews
  2. Determine the future level of effort required for tasks not imitated yet, and develop cost estimates for those tasks
  3. Include an analysis of the additional tasks required to manage and operate the FCGMA that are not listed in the FCGMA Work Tasks and Prioritization list
  4. Present updated staff analysis to the Board



# FOX CANYON GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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### INTERIM EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**Arne Anselm**

April 24, 2024

Board of Directors  
Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency  
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**SUBJECT:** FY 2023-24 Mid-Year Budget Review – (Returning Item)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive and file a report summarizing the highlights of the Agency's budget performance in Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 through January 31, 2024.

### DISCUSSION:

Your Board adopted the FY 2023-24 budget at the June 22, 2023, meeting. The adopted budget projects a significant Operating Account deficit of nearly \$2 million in FY 2023-24. This is largely due to the SGM Grant OPV monitoring well installation project which is not fully reimbursed by the SGM Grant and the significantly increased consultant costs for the 5-year Groundwater Sustainability Plans evaluations and amendments.

The adopted budget along with actual revenue and expenses through January 31, 2024, the seventh month of the current fiscal year, is attached as Item 4A. The first page presents balances for the three Board Designated Accounts: GEMES, Surcharges, and Operating Reserves. The Designated Account funds can only be used at your Board's direction and not for operating expenses. Operating Accounts are on the following page and identify Revenues and Expenditures. Expenditures are grouped into Annual Expenditures and Special Expenditures. Annual ending balances are shown at the bottom for the Operating Account and Total Fund.

Projected FY 2023-24 year-end amounts are updated based on the January 2024 data and current projections, as are the planning-level budget projections for FY 2024-25 and 2025-26. Updated projected year-end fund balances are shown below in Table 1 along with the actuals through January of 2024.

**Table**

**1**

**Projected Year-End Fund Balances**

Account	2022-23 Year-End Actuals	2023-24 Adopted Budget	2023-24 Actuals Through Jan 2024	2023-24 Projected Year-End	2024-25 Planning- Level Budget Projections	2025-26 Planning- Level Budget Projections
Designated GEMES Account	(\$1,477,130)	(\$396,040)	(\$418,645)	(\$587,130)	\$1,167,870	\$1,098,870
Designated Surcharges Account	\$3,337,855	\$4,594,849	\$4,136,681	\$4,368,223	\$6,368,223	\$7,368,223
Designated Operating Reserves	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Operating Fund	(\$160,513)	(\$1,988,332)	\$1,853,671	\$80,192	(\$2,414,533)	(\$49,361)
Operating Carry Forward	\$650,899	\$2,746,305	\$490,386	\$490,386	\$570,579	(\$1,843,955)
<b>Year End Total Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$3,351,111</b>	<b>\$5,956,782</b>	<b>\$7,062,094</b>	<b>\$5,351,672</b>	<b>\$6,692,139</b>	<b>\$7,573,777</b>

**AP 7 Performance Report Column Reporting Categories**

The fiscal performance information contained in the attached Budget Performance Report includes six columns across the top. Each of the columns reports discrete budget performance metrics, as follows.

1. The first column shows the FY 2023-23 year-end actual revenue and expenditure numbers for the Agency.
2. The second column shows the FY 2023-24 Adopted Budget with Board-directed adjustments.
3. The third column shows FY 2023-24 actual revenues received and expenditures recorded through January 31, 2024, the seventh month of current fiscal year.
4. The fourth column shows the FY 2023-24 projected year-end balances based on expenses and revenue received through January 31, 2024, and current year-end projections.
5. The fifth column shows updated FY 2024-25 planning-level budget projections.
6. The sixth column shows updated FY 2025-26 planning-level budget projections.

The budget performance and updated projections are summarized below.

**Groundwater Extraction Management Enforcement Surcharge (GEMES) Reserve Fund**

As of January 31, 2024, the GEMES fund balance was in deficit of (\$418,645). The GEMES year-end fund balance is projected to be a deficit of (\$587,130), a greater deficit than in the adopted FY 2023-24 budget of (\$396,040).

**Designated Surcharges Account**

As of January 31, 2024, the Designated Surcharges Account balance was \$4,126,681, with a projected year-end fund balance \$4,368,223. This is less than budget projections, likely due to surcharges which have been suspended by your Board for operators with variance applications that have not been completed by the Agency. Note that the year-end Designated Surcharges Account balance reflects the \$1,000,000 loan to the Operating Account approved by your Board as part of the adopted budget. Per the Board's direction, the loan is projected to be repaid in FY 2024-25.

### **Designated Reserve Account**

The Designated Reserve Account balance remains at \$1,000,000 per your Board's direction.

### **Designated Accounts Interest Earnings**

Accrued interest for the three designated accounts is projected at approximately \$30,000 for FY 2023-24.

### **Operating Revenues**

Operating Revenues (i.e., pump-charge payments, interest earnings, penalties, grant, and miscellaneous revenues) received by the Agency through January 31, 2024, totaled \$3,448,102. Total Operating Revenue is projected to be \$3,587,214 at FY 2023-24 year-end, which is \$1,791,135 lower than the adopted budget. This is principally due to an adjustment made to revised projection of delay in receipt of funds from the Department of Water Resources (DWR) Sustainable Groundwater (SGM) Implementation Grant Round 1 for projects in the OPV Basins. Note that year-end Operating Revenues include the \$1,000,000 loan from the Designated Surcharges Account approved by your Board as part of the adopted budget.

### **Major Operating Expenditures**

Following is a brief description of the budget-to-actual performance of the top expenditures incurred by the Agency through January 31, 2024:

1. **Public Works Agency Charges:** The adopted FY 2023-24 budget included a total of \$2,318,509 in Public Works Agency (PWA) charges for the current fiscal year. Pursuant to applicable County Budget Manual and Cost Recovery Policies approved by the Board of Supervisors, there are two main elements of the PWA Charges:
  - The County's contract service rates for any Public Works employees assigned to the FCGMA; and
  - Central Services (including Executive Officer and Fiscal) charges.Actual PWA charges incurred by the Agency through January 31, 2024, totaled \$1,115,492; they currently are projected to end the fiscal year lower than the adopted budget due to vacancies.
2. **General Services Agency Charges:** This item is for County General Services Agency (GSA) fees for printing of Board packets and other materials, mail and shipping, Board room and AV fees, etc. Charges are projected to end the year consistent with the adopted budget amount of \$25,000; charges incurred through January 31, 2024, were \$3,539.
3. **Legal Service Fees:** Agency Counsel legal services are provided by the County Counsel's Office, which serves as Agency Counsel, to provide the following routine legal services:
  - Legal sufficiency review and comments regarding Board letters, contracts, resolutions, and ordinances.
  - Agency Counsel representation at Board meetings.
  - Legal guidance to the Board, Agency Executive Officer, and staff.
  - Legal representation of Agency in court proceedings.
  - Management coordination of Legal Services Agreements with special legal counsel authorized by the Board.

Actual legal service fees incurred by the Agency through January 31, 2024, year were \$94,147 and are projected to end the fiscal year consistent with the adopted budget amount of \$150,000.

4. **Biennial Audit:** The adopted FY 2022-23 budget included \$10,000 for the biennial audit. However, your Board's award for audit services at the December 9, 2022, meeting for \$20,000. At that meeting, your Board directed that \$10,000 of Contingency funds be used to cover the difference between the budget amount and the actual award. The firm hired to perform the audit has billed far beyond the contracted amount without written permission from the Agency. Staff are working to reconcile the situation and have the audit completed. Actual fees incurred by the Agency through January 31, 2024, were \$4000.
5. **FCGMA Online Support:** Support for the FCGMA Online database management system is supplied by PWA and County IT services. These services include the annual maintenance costs, special database queries, system webpage changes, software enhancements, and include GIS and other software license fees. FCGMA Online support expenses incurred by the Agency through January 31, 2024, were \$155,522 and are projected to end the fiscal year within the adopted budget amount of \$276,761.
6. **GSP Annual Reports:** The Agency is required to prepare GSP annual reports for the LPV, Oxnard, and Pleasant Valley basins. The adopted budget projected \$65,730 for the annual reports. Charges incurred through January 31, 2024, are \$33,293.

#### **Special Expenditures**

The FY 2023-24 adopted budget identified special expenditures including new FCGMA data management system development, GSP implementation, monitoring well installation in the OPV basins as part of the SGM Implementation Grant Round 1 program, and destruction of a well in the City of Oxnard that was quitclaimed to the Agency.

1. **New FCGMA Data Management System:** The adopted FY 2023-24 budget included \$200,000 to complete development of the functional requirements for a new data management system. This effort has been put on hold due to the many other urgencies the Agency faces.
2. **Groundwater Sustainability Plan Implementation:** The adopted FY 2023-24 budget included \$781,063 for GSP implementation. As of January 31, 2024, \$145,005 in expenses had been incurred principally for Dudek consulting services. Current FY 2023-24 year-end projections and 2024-25 planning-level projections are based on the agreement with Dudek approved by your Board at the December 9, 2022, meeting.
3. **SGM Implementation Grant Monitoring Well Installation (OPV):** The approved budget included projection of \$2,632,826 in FY 2023-24 for installation of monitoring wells in the OPV basins. As the contract for the well drilling was not executed until late February 2024, no funds have been expended. Final DWR reimbursement under the SGM Implementation Grant Round 1 in the revenue section was correspondingly pushed out to include in FY 2024-25.
4. **SGM Implementation Grant Round 1 (OPV) Administration:** This is a consultant expense to assist with DWR SGM Implementation Grant Round 1 administration for the OPV Basins. Your Board awarded this work to Kennedy Jenks Consultants at the July 10, 2022, Board meeting. Per the subgrant agreements approved by your Board at the September 9, 2022, meeting, subgrantees City of Camarillo, Pleasant Valley County Water District, and United Water Conservation District will proportionately reimburse the Agency. The Agency's net share is \$9,748 annually and has not yet been invoiced as of January 31, 2024.
5. **Stakeholder Facilitation:** The adopted FY 2023-24 budget included \$25,000 for stakeholder facilitation and public outreach, as needed. As of January 31, 2024, no expenses were incurred.

6. **Oxnard Well Destruction:** The adopted FY 2023-24 budget included \$70,000 for destruction of the abandoned well in the City of Oxnard quitclaimed to the Agency. While work is underway no invoices have yet been paid by the Agency.
7. **Rate Counsel:** The adopted budget included \$100,000 for rate counsel assistance with studying and preparing a replenishment fee consistent with your Board's awarded agreement with Jarvis Fay. As of January 31, 2024, \$4,826 in expenses were incurred. This effort is on hold due to the many other urgencies the Agency faces.

**Budgeted Expenditures Reserved for Operating Contingency**

The adopted FY 2023-24 budget contains a \$100,000 contingency line item. \$25,673 from the operating expenses contingency was authorized on August 23, 2023, to cover an increase in cost exceeding the budgeted amount for destruction of State Well No. 01N22W04K01S at 936 W. 5th Street, Oxnard (Church Well). The remaining \$74,327 from operating expenses contingency was authorized for United Water Conservation District to conduct numerical flow modeling in support of Groundwater Sustainability Plan evaluations on October 25, 2023.

**Projected FY 2023-24 Year-End Fund Balance Based on Current Budget Performance**

The adopted FY 2023-24 budget projected a year-end fund balance of \$5,956,782. Based on analysis of performance through January 31, 2024, and assuming that all projected revenues are realized, and expenditures incurred during the remainder of the current fiscal year, Agency staff currently projects a revised year-end fund balance of \$7,062,094 due to a projected delay in project billing and receipt of funds from the DWR SGM Implementation Grant Round 1 for projects in the OPV Basins.

The Operating Fund is projected to have a balance of \$80,192 compared to the adopted budget projected deficit of \$1,988,332. This is principally due to current projections of monitoring well installation expenses occurring in the next fiscal year.

Agency staff will soon begin planning for the FY 2023-24 work plan and budget. A Fiscal Committee meeting is scheduled on May 14, 2024, for a FY 2023-24 budget planning work session. The numbers in these tables along with revised year-end projections and future budget projections will be updated for that discussion.

**CONCLUSION:**

Staff recommends your Board receive and file this report summarizing the highlights of the Agency's budget performance for FY 2023-24 as of January 31, 2024.

This letter has been reviewed by Agency Counsel. If you have any questions, please call me at (805) 654-3942.

Sincerely,

  
Arne Anselm  
Interim Executive Officer

Attachment: Item 4A – FY 2023-24 Budget Performance Report



**FCGMA FY 2023-24 ADOPTED BUDGET**  
**DESIGNATED ACCOUNTS**  
**Performance Report Through 1/31/2024 (AP #7)**

		2022-23 Year-End Actuals	2023-24 Adopted Budget	2023-24 Actuals Through Jan 2023	2023-24 Projected Year-End	2024-25 Planning-Level Budget Projections	2025-26 Planning-Level Budget Projections
1							
2	<b>DESIGNATED ACCOUNTS</b>						
3	<b>GEMES RESERVE ACCOUNT</b>						
4	BEGINNING BALANCE	(\$954,399)	(\$1,286,040)	(\$1,477,130)	(\$1,477,130)	(\$587,130)	\$1,167,870
5	Special Counsel <sup>(Note 2)</sup>	(\$2,049,926)	(\$1,350,000)	(\$762,194)	(\$1,350,000)	(\$550,000)	(\$4,000)
6	County Counsel <sup>(Note 3)</sup>	(\$249,100)	(\$180,000)	(\$118,816)	(\$180,000)	(\$115,000)	(\$65,000)
7	Reserve Fee <sup>(Note 4)</sup>	\$1,776,295	\$2,420,000	\$1,939,495	\$2,420,000	\$2,420,000	
8	<b>GEMES ACCOUNT ENDING BALANCE</b>	(\$1,477,130)	(\$396,040)	(\$418,645)	(\$587,130)	\$1,167,870	\$1,098,870
9	<b>SURCHARGES ACCOUNT</b>						
10	BEGINNING BALANCE	\$3,233,981	\$3,564,349	\$3,337,855	\$3,337,855	\$4,368,223	\$6,368,223
11	Surcharges <sup>(Note 5)</sup>	\$1,027,229	\$1,000,000	\$775,495	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
12	Loan to Operations <sup>(Note 6)</sup>	(\$1,000,000)			\$0	\$1,000,000	
13	Designated Acct. Interest Earnings <sup>(Note 7)</sup>	\$76,645	\$30,500	\$23,332	\$30,368	\$0	\$0
14	<b>SURCHARGES ACCOUNT ENDING BALANCE</b>	\$3,337,855	\$4,594,849	\$4,136,681	\$4,368,223	\$6,368,223	\$7,368,223
15	OPERATING RESERVES	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000

**FOOTNOTES:**

- (1) Adopted Budget adjusted by Board-directed allocations from Contingency for the Biennial Audit and SGM Implementation Grant Round 2 application expenses (12/9/2022).
- (2) Special Counsel fees related to ongoing and anticipated litigation; estimates based on Reserve Fee Annual Review (10/26/2022).
- (3) County Counsel costs for ongoing and anticipated litigation; estimates based on Reserve Fee Annual Review (10/26/2022).
- (4) Reserve Fee of \$20.00 per AF to replenish GEMES Account per Resolution 2020-05 effective 1/1/2021. Timing shifted due to delayed invoicing FY 21-22 & 22-23.
- (5) Projected surcharge revenue.
- (6) Transfer from Designated Surcharges Fund to Operating Accounts in FY 22-23 to be transferred back in FY 24-25.
- (7) Annual interest earnings apportionments projected to be received from the County Pooled Investment Fund.

**FCGMA FY 2023-24 ADOPTED BUDGET**  
**OPERATING ACCOUNT**  
**Performance Report Through 1/31/2024 (AP #7)**

		2022-23 Year-End Actuals	2023-24 Adopted Budget Adjusted <sup>(Note 1)</sup>	2023-24 Actuals Through Jan 2024	2023-24 Projected Year-End	2024-25 Planning-Level Budget Projections	2025-26 Planning-Level Budget Projections
1							
2	<b>OPERATING ACCOUNT</b>					<b>2.50%</b>	<b>3.00%</b>
3	<b>REVENUE</b>						
4	Pump Charge <sup>(Note 2)</sup>	\$801,496	\$726,000	\$721,256	\$726,000	\$726,000	\$726,000
5	Groundwater Sustainability Fee <sup>(Note 3)</sup>	\$1,626,366	\$3,509,000	\$2,510,490	\$2,669,134	\$3,509,000	\$3,509,000
6	SGM Impl Grant Round 1 (OPV) - DWR <sup>(Note 4)</sup>		\$1,031,120		\$0	\$2,448,910	
7	SGM Impl Grant Round 1 (OPV) - Admin <sup>(Note 5)</sup>		\$47,729	\$92,944	\$92,944	\$47,729	\$47,729
8	Loan From Surcharges <sup>(Note 6)</sup>						
9	Water Market / AMI Grant <sup>(Note 7)</sup>						
10	Interest Earnings <sup>(Note 8)</sup>	\$11,453	\$4,500	\$3,033	\$4,632	\$4,500	\$4,632
11	Penalties / Interest	\$47,965	\$60,000	\$120,378	\$170,000	\$60,000	\$60,000
12	<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE</b>	<b>\$2,487,280</b>	<b>\$5,378,349</b>	<b>\$3,448,102</b>	<b>\$3,662,710</b>	<b>\$6,796,139</b>	<b>\$4,347,361</b>
13	<b>ANNUAL EXPENDITURES</b>						
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- (14) GSP Annual Report expense updated based on new Dudek scope approved by Board 12/9/2022.
- (15) Includes contributions to Watershed Coalition of Ventura County (\$2,200) and Santa Clara Watershed Committee (\$1,500).
- (16) New FCGMA data management system procurement planning-level projections.
- (17) Projected GSP implementation consultant costs. Updated with based on new Dudek scope approved by Board 12/9/2022.
- (18) Monitoring well installation in OPV basins projected expense. Majority funded by DWR SGM Implementation Grant.
- (19) Consultant expenses for grant application for DWR SGM Implementation Grant Round 2 for projects in Las Posas Valley Basin. See Note 1.
- (20) OPV Stakeholder Group facilitator through FY 21-22, public outreach projected expenses in FY 23-24.
- (21) Projected cost to destroy Oxnard well. Delayed due to interest from County Airport in taking over well.
- (22) Rate counsel and consultant for planned replenishment fee. Total budget approved by Board 4/27/2022. Projected expense in FY 2023-24. Jarvis

# FY 2023-24 Mid-Year Budget Review

Item No. 4 – April 24, 2024



Arne Anselm  
Interim Executive Officer

# FCGMA Budget – Mid-Year Report

- The 2023-24 Adopted Budget was adopted by the Board June 21, 2023
  - Projected Operating Account deficit of **(\$1,988,332)** in FY 2023-24
  - Adjusted by the Board's two transfers from Operating Contingency
- 2023-24 Actuals through Jan 2023
  - Beginning balances adjusted to 2022-23 Year-End Actuals
  - Based on revenue and expenses through January 2023

FCGMA FY 2023-24 ADOPTED BUDGET Performance Report Through 01/31/2024 (AP #7)					
2022-23 Year-End Actuals	2023-24 Adopted Budget Adjusted	2023-24 Actuals Through Jan 2023	2023-24 Projected Year-End	2024-25 Planning- Level Budget Projections	2025-26 Planning- Level Budget Projections



# FCGMA Accounting

Account	Board Direction
Designated GEMES Account	Groundwater Extraction Management Enforcement Surcharge (GEMES) defined in Resolution 06-04. Board directed to fund litigation costs including Agency counsel.
Designated Surcharges Account	For Board directed uses only, not to be used for routine Agency operations
Designated Operating Reserves	Maintains \$1,000,000 reserve balance based on Board direction
Operating Fund	Routine annual operation expenses
<b>Grand Total Fund Balance</b>	Total of all above

Budget divided into Designated Accounts and Operating Accounts



# Designated Accounts Mid-Year Report

- GEMES Reserve
  - Year-end projection revised down from deficit of (\$400K) to deficit of (\$590K)
  - GEMES Account presently projected to go into black in FY 2024-25
  - Significant uncertainty continues about future legal expenses
- Surcharges Account
  - No change in surcharge collection projection of \$1M in year-end
  - Includes Board-approved \$1M loan to operating account
- Operating Reserves
  - Reserve Account balance remains at \$1,000,000 per your Board's direction



# Operating Revenue Mid-Year Report

- Revenues includes Board approved \$1M loan from Surcharge Account
- Line item for SGM Implementation Grant Round 1 for OPV reimbursement
- Line for reimbursement of grant admin costs from subgrantees to FCGMA's SGM Implementation Grant Round 1 for OPV
- Year-end total revised down from adopted budget projection
  - \$5,378,349 down to \$3,662,710 due to projection of DWR SGM Implementation Grant revenues pushed to next FY



# Operating Budget and Expenses

- Annual Expenditures

- Staff support: Public Works Agency, Legal Service Fees, FCGMA Online Support
- General Services Agency
- Biennial Audit
- GSP Annual Reports

- Special Expenditures

- New FCGMA Data Management System
- Groundwater Sustainability Plan Implementation – 5-year Evaluation
- SGM Implementation Grant Monitoring Well Installation
- SGM Implementation Grant Round 1 Administration
- Oxnard Well Destruction



# Operating Expenses – Annual and Special

- Adopted budget projected \$7,366,681 in expenses
- Year-end annual projected \$3,582,518
  - Staff vacancies
  - SGM Implementation Grant Monitoring Well Installation
    - DWR Grant agreement received six months later than projected
    - No funds have been expended of the \$2,632,826 in the approved FY 2023-24 budget
  - \$100,000 contingency line item transferred to operating budget
    - \$25,673 for destruction of State Well No. 01N22W04K01S (Church Well)
    - \$74,327 for United Water Conservation District to conduct numerical flow modeling in support of Groundwater Sustainability Plan evaluations



# Projected Year-End Fund Balances

Account	2022-23 Year-End Actuals	2023-24 Adopted Budget	2023-24 Actuals Through Jan 2024	2023-24 Projected Year-End	2024-25 Planning- Level Budget Projections	2025-26 Planning- Level Budget Projections
Designated GEMES Account	(\$1,477,130)	(\$396,040)	(\$418,645)	(\$587,130)	\$1,167,870	\$1,098,870
Designated Surcharges Account	\$3,337,855	\$4,594,849	\$4,136,681	\$4,368,223	\$6,368,223	\$7,368,223
Designated Operating Reserves	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Operating Fund	(\$160,513)	(\$1,988,332)	\$1,853,671	\$80,192	(\$2,414,533)	(\$49,361)
Operating Carry Forward	\$650,899	\$2,746,305	\$490,386	\$490,386	\$570,579	(\$1,843,955)
<b>Year End Total Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$3,351,111</b>	<b>\$5,956,782</b>	<b>\$7,062,094</b>	<b>\$5,351,672</b>	<b>\$6,692,139</b>	<b>\$7,573,777</b>



# Las Posas Valley Watermaster

- The Las Posas Valley Watermaster is a separate budget and fund
- A Special Fiscal Committee meeting to be scheduled
  - Budget and workplan
  - Ensure no duplication of FCGMA fees



## Conclusions and Recommendations

- Fiscal Committee to meet on May 14, 2024, for a FY 2024-25 budget planning work session
- Staff recommends Board receive and file this report



# Pump Fees

\$6/AF Pump Charge (only fee for de minimis domestic operators)	\$6/AF
Groundwater Sustainability Fee (GWSF) effective Oct 1, 2022	\$29 A/F
GEMES Reserve Fee (sunsets Oct 1, 2024, unless extended by Board)	\$20/AF
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$55/AF</b>

**FCGMA FY 2023-24 ADOPTED BUDGET  
DESIGNATED ACCOUNTS  
Performance Report Through 1/31/2024 (AP #7)**

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1							
2	<b>DESIGNATED ACCOUNTS</b>						
3	<b>GEMES RESERVE ACCOUNT</b>						
4	BEGINNING BALANCE	(\$954,399)	(\$1,286,040)	(\$1,477,130)	(\$1,477,130)	(\$587,130)	\$1,167,870
5	Special Counsel (Note 2)	(\$2,049,926)	(\$1,350,000)	(\$762,194)	(\$1,350,000)	(\$550,000)	(\$4,000)
6	County Counsel (Note 3)	(\$249,100)	(\$180,000)	(\$118,816)	(\$180,000)	(\$115,000)	(\$65,000)
7	Reserve Fee (Note 4)	\$1,776,295	\$2,420,000	\$1,939,495	\$2,420,000	\$2,420,000	
8	<b>GEMES ACCOUNT ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>(\$1,477,130)</b>	<b>(\$396,040)</b>	<b>(\$418,645)</b>	<b>(\$587,130)</b>	<b>\$1,167,870</b>	<b>\$1,098,870</b>
9	<b>SURCHARGES ACCOUNT</b>						
10	BEGINNING BALANCE	\$3,233,981	\$3,564,349	\$3,337,855	\$3,337,855	\$4,368,223	\$6,368,223
11	Surcharges (Note 5)	\$1,027,229	\$1,000,000	\$775,495	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
12	Loan to Operations (Note 6)	(\$1,000,000)			\$0	\$1,000,000	
13	Designated Acct. Interest Earnings (Note 7)	\$76,645	\$30,500	\$23,332	\$30,368	\$0	\$0
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9	Water Market / AMI Grant <sup>(Note 7)</sup>						
10	Interest Earnings <sup>(Note 8)</sup>	\$11,453	\$4,500	\$3,033	\$4,632	\$4,500	\$4,632
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**SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution No. 2024-03 – A Resolution Increasing the Tiered Groundwater Surcharge Rates Pursuant to the Ordinance Code – (Returning Item)**

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** (1) Receive an Agency staff presentation regarding increasing tiered groundwater extraction surcharge rates; and (2) Adopt Resolution No. 2024-03, approving increased tiered groundwater extraction surcharge rates consistent with Calleguas Municipal Water District's rate increase, effective January 1, 2024.

## BACKGROUND:

One of the principal ways the Agency manages the groundwater resources within its jurisdiction is by controlling groundwater extractions by establishing extraction allocations and imposing surcharges on extractions in excess of allocations. The Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Act (Act), California Water Code Appendix, Chapter 121, and the Agency's several ordinances authorize these management actions. The Act authorizes the Agency to both establish extraction allocations and surcharges:

"The agency may, by ordinance, establish an operator's extraction allocation for each groundwater extraction facility located within the agency. The agency may, by ordinance, impose upon the operator of any groundwater extraction facility located within the agency, extraction surcharges for extractions in excess of his or her extraction allocation and late penalties for nonpayment of extraction surcharges." (Wat. Code App., § 121-1101.)

The Act states that the purpose of surcharges is "to discourage the use of groundwater beyond the extractions allocation" in recognition that "extraction allocations and extraction surcharges ... are necessary to eliminate overdraft caused by excess extractions[.]" (Id., at §121-1102(a), (b).) Since enactment of the Act in 1982, the Agency has adopted several ordinances that set forth the Agency's surcharge policy and requirements. The Agency Ordinance Code recognizes that extraction surcharges are necessary to achieve the basins' management goals and shall be assessed when annual extractions exceed allocations. (Agency Ordinance Code, § 5.8.1.1.)

Surcharges have been based on (1) the cost to import potable water from the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, or other equivalent water sources that can or do provide non-native water within the Agency jurisdiction and (2) the current groundwater conditions within the Agency jurisdiction, however the

Agency Ordinance Code requires the Board to “fix the surcharge ... at a cost sufficiently high to discourage extraction of groundwater in excess of the approved allocation when that extraction will adversely affect achieving” the management goals for the basins. (Agency Ordinance Code, §§ 5.8.1.1, 5.8.3.) In turn, the Agency Ordinance Code authorizes the Board to structure, tier, and vary the extraction surcharge between basins and aquifers in its discretion. (Agency Ordinance Code, § 5.8.2.)

The Board adopted Resolution No. 2010-07 on December 1, 2010, which established a three-tier surcharge rate structure based on the Board’s findings that an economic disincentive is the best means to discourage over pumping of groundwater and that a single tier surcharge rate had not been effective in deterring operators who greatly exceed their extraction allocation. The Resolution established three tiers: Tier I (25 acre-feet per year [AFY] or less above allocation); Tier II (over 25 AFY but less than 100 AFY above allocation); and Tier III (100 AFY and more above allocation). Current surcharge rates were established when the Board adopted Resolution No. 2022-06 on October 26, 2022: Tier I at \$1,841 per acre-foot (AF); Tier II at \$2,091 (the Tier I rate plus an additional \$250 per AF); and Tier III at \$2,341 (the Tier I rate plus an additional \$500 per AF).

#### **DISCUSSION:**

Calleguas Municipal Water District (CMWD) is a member agency of Metropolitan Water District and is the largest purveyor of imported water within the Agency. CMWD’s Tier 2 Supply Rate is “set at Metropolitan’s cost of developing additional supply to encourage efficient use of local resources.” The CMWD Board adopted increased water rates effective January 1, 2024, increasing its Tier 2 rate to \$1,929 per AF. Therefore, the current FCGMA surcharge rate is less than the cost of imported water available from CMWD.

In December 2019, the Agency adopted groundwater sustainability plans (GSPs) for the Oxnard and Pleasant Valley Basins and the Las Posas Valley Basin. The GSPs established minimum thresholds, measurable objectives, and interim milestone groundwater levels for the basins. Based on spring 2023 groundwater elevations presented in the draft 2024 GSP Annual Reports, groundwater levels were above the minimum thresholds in only 4 of the 34 key wells measured in the Oxnard Subbasin, 2 of the 9 key wells measured in the Pleasant Valley Basin, 18 of the 21 key wells measured in the Las Posas Valley Basin.

Proposed Resolution No. 2024-03 would adjust the Agency’s tiered surcharge rates effective January 1, 2024, consistent with the increase in the CMWD Tier 2 rate as follows:

Tier I: One to 25.000 AF = \$1,929 per AF

Tier II: 25.001 AF to 99.999 AF = \$2,179 per AF

Tier III: 100 AF or more = \$2,429 per AF

To keep with the Act’s and the Agency’s surcharge policy, the updated surcharge rates are proposed to “discourage the use of groundwater beyond extraction allocation[s]” and eliminate overdraft to ensure the basins are managed sustainably. The proposed resolution only changes the amount of the surcharge and does not modify when surcharges are incurred.

#### **CONCLUSION:**

Agency staff recommends your Board adopt proposed Resolution No. 2024-03 to increase the Agency’s surcharge rates to be consistent with CMWD’s Tier 2 rate increase effective January 1, 2024, thereby continuing to discourage excess extractions within the Agency’s boundaries.

FCGMA Board Meeting  
April 24, 2024  
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This letter has been reviewed by Agency Counsel. If you have any questions, please call me at (805) 654-3942.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Arne Erik Anselm". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Arne" and last name "Anselm" being more prominent than the middle name "Erik".

Arne Anselm  
Interim Executive Officer

Attachments:

Item 5A – Proposed Resolution No. 2024-03  
Item 5B – Calleguas MWD 2024 Water Rates



**Resolution 2024-03**  
**of the**  
**Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency**

**A RESOLUTION INCREASING TIERED GROUNDWATER  
EXTRACTION SURCHARGE RATES**

**WHEREAS**, the mission of the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (Agency) includes the protection and preservation of groundwater resources within the boundary of the Agency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency is charged with bringing the groundwater basins within its jurisdiction into safe yield; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency is authorized to establish an extraction allocation for each groundwater extraction facility located within the Agency, and to impose extraction surcharges for extractions in excess of a facility's extraction allocation; and

**WHEREAS**, extraction surcharges are necessary to reduce excessive pumping from the aquifer systems within the Agency and to bring the groundwater basins within the Agency to safe yield; and

**WHEREAS**, extraction surcharges are intended to discourage the use of groundwater beyond the extraction allocation and are not taxes, user charges or user fees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Act authorizes the Agency to set the extraction surcharge rate at an amount that is necessary to achieve safe yield; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency Ordinance Code provides that the extraction surcharge rate shall be based on: (1) the cost to import potable water from the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD), or other equivalent water sources that can or do provide non-native water within the Agency; and (2) the current groundwater conditions within the Agency; and

**WHEREAS**, Calleguas Municipal Water District (CMWD) is a member agency of MWD and is the largest purveyor of imported water within the Agency; and

**WHEREAS**, CMWD has set its Tier 2 supply rate at \$1929.00 per acre-foot effective January 1, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the groundwater basins within the Agency continue to be in overdraft condition; and

**WHEREAS**, the existing groundwater surcharge rate is not sufficient to deter over-pumping or excessive groundwater extractions when compared to a well operator's ability to purchase retail or imported water, or treat otherwise unusable water; and

**WHEREAS**, an economic disincentive is deemed the best means to discourage over pumping of groundwater and a single tier surcharge rate has not been effective with respect to those operators who greatly exceed their extraction allocation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency Ordinance Code provides for setting groundwater extraction surcharge rates by Resolution and provides that such rates may be tiered; and

**WHEREAS**, this Resolution is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act as an action taken to assure the maintenance, restoration, or enhancement of a natural resource and the environment.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AND ORDERED THAT:**

1. Tiered Surcharge Rates are hereby established as follows:

Tier I: A surcharge rate of \$1,929.00 per acre-foot shall be imposed on annual groundwater extractions that exceed the allocation for an extraction facility, or the sum of allocations for combined facilities, for all water wells within the Agency by 25 acre-feet or less.

Tier II: An additional surcharge of \$250.00 per acre-foot shall be imposed on annual groundwater extractions that exceed the allocation for an extraction facility, or the sum of allocations for combined facilities, for all water wells within the Agency by more than 25 acre-feet but less than 100 acre-feet.

Tier III: An additional surcharge of \$500.00 per acre-foot shall be imposed on annual groundwater extractions that exceed the allocation for an extraction facility, or the sum of allocations for combined facilities, for all water wells within the Agency by 100 acre-feet or more.

2. These Tiered Surcharge Rates shall become effective on January 1, 2024.

On a motion by Director \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by Director \_\_\_\_\_, the foregoing Resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Directors at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board held on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024, in Ventura, California.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Eugene F. West, Chair, Board of Directors  
Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency

ATTEST: I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2024-03.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Elka Weber, Clerk of the Board

Calleguas MWD			
2024 Adopted Water Rates			
	Effective Jan 1, 2023	Proposed Jan 1, 2024	% Change
<b>MWD Rates</b>			
Tier 1 Supply Rate (\$/AF)	\$321	\$332	3.4%
Tier 2 Supply Rate (\$/AF)	\$530	\$531	0.2%
System Access Rate (\$/AF)	\$368	\$389	5.7%
System Power Rate (\$/AF)	\$166	\$182	9.6%
Treatment Surcharge (\$/AF)	\$354	\$353	(0.3%)
<b>MWD Treated Water Rates</b>			
MWD Tier 1 (\$/AF)	\$1,209	\$1,256	3.9%
MWD Tier 2 (\$/AF)	\$1,418	\$1,455	2.6%
<b>CMWD Rates</b>			
O&M Surcharge (\$/AF)	\$123	\$202	64.2%
Capital Construction Surcharge (\$/AF)	\$300	\$272	(9.3%)
<b>Total Calleguas Rates</b>	<b>\$423</b>	<b>\$474</b>	<b>12.1%</b>
<b>Combined MWD &amp; CMWD Rates</b>			
<b>Tier 1 Rate (\$/AF)</b>	<b>\$1,632</b>	<b>\$1,730</b>	<b>6.0%</b>
<b>Tier 2 Rate (\$/AF)</b>	<b>\$1,841</b>	<b>\$1,929</b>	<b>4.8%</b>
<b>Temporary Water Rate (per 100 cu ft)</b>	<b>\$8.45</b>	<b>\$8.86</b>	<b>4.9%</b>
<b>Capacity Charge</b>			
Estimated MWD Capacity Charge	\$ 2,009,760	\$ 2,123,520	5.7%
CMWD Capacity Charge Requirement	\$ 5,182,266	\$ 5,615,216	8.4%
<b>Estimated MWD &amp; CMWD Capacity Charge</b>	<b>\$7,192,026</b>	<b>\$7,738,736</b>	<b>7.6%</b>
Estimated Purveyor CFS	178.23	134.92	
Capacity Charge /cfs - MWD	\$11,276	\$15,739	
Capacity Charge /cfs - CMWD	\$29,076	\$41,619	
<b>Combined MWD &amp; CMWD Capacity Charge</b>	<b>\$40,352</b>	<b>\$57,358</b>	<b>42.1%</b>
<b>RTS Charge</b>			
<b>Estimated MWD RTS Charge</b>	<b>\$ 7,582,690</b>	<b>\$ 8,358,310</b>	<b>10.2%</b>

AF of Sales to calculate Capacity Chg & RTS Rate	67,200	73,000
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	2023	2024	% Chg
MWD Per AF Rate	\$ 1,209.00	\$ 1,256.00	
MWD Capacity Charge	29.91	29.09	
MWD RTS	112.84	114.50	
	<u>\$ 1,351.74</u>	<u>\$ 1,399.59</u>	3.54%
CMWD Per AF Rate	\$ 423.00	\$ 474.00	
CMWD Capacity Charge	77.12	76.92	
	<u>\$ 500.12</u>	<u>\$ 550.92</u>	10.16%
<b>Total MWD &amp; CMWD Combined Rates</b>	<b>\$ 1,852.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,951.00</b>	<b>5.35%</b>

## DEFINITIONS:

**Tier 1 Supply Rate** (Metropolitan) - recovers the cost of maintaining a reliable amount of supply.

**Tier 2 Supply Rate** (Metropolitan) - set at Metropolitan's cost of developing additional supply to encourage efficient use of local resources.

**System Access Rate** (Metropolitan) – recovers a portion of the costs associated with the delivery of supplies.

**System Power Rate** (Metropolitan) – recovers power costs for pumping supplies to Southern California.

**Water Stewardship Rate** (Metropolitan) – recovers the cost of Metropolitan's financial commitment to conservation, water recycling, groundwater clean-up and other local resource management programs.

**Treatment Surcharge** (Metropolitan) – recovers the costs of treating imported water.

**Readiness-to-Serve Charge** (Metropolitan) - a fixed charge that recovers the capital cost of the portion of system capacity that is on standby to provide emergency service and operational flexibility. Based upon a calendar ten year rolling average.

**Capacity Charge** (Metropolitan) - recovers the cost of the assets that are providing peak capacity within the distribution system. Based on peak day delivery in previous three years.

**Operations and Maintenance Surcharge** (Calleguas) - recovers the cost of operating and maintaining system facilities and District administrative functions.

**Capital Construction Surcharge** (Calleguas) - recovers a portion of the cost of infrastructure expansion to accommodate new demand and increase system reliability.

**Capacity Charge** (Calleguas) recovers the cost of infrastructure to meet peaking and emergency demands. Based on the peak week demand on the system between May 1 and September 30, for the prior calendar year

# Proposed Resolution No. 2024-03 – A Resolution Increasing the Tiered Groundwater Surcharge Rates Pursuant to the Ordinance Code

Item No. 12 – April 24, 2024



Arne Anselm  
Interim Executive Director



# Authorization

- The FCGMA Act authorizes the establishment of surcharges:  
“to discourage the use of groundwater beyond the extractions allocation”
- The Agency Ordinance Code bases surcharges on:
  1. The cost to import potable water from the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Metropolitan and Calleguas WMD)
  2. The current groundwater conditions within the Agency jurisdiction
- Agency Ordinance Code additionally requires the Board to:  
“fix the surcharge...at a cost sufficiently high to discourage extraction of groundwater in excess of approved allocation...”

# FCGMA Accounting

Account	Board Direction
Designated GEMES Account	GEMES account established by Resolution No. 2006-04; Board directed to fund litigation costs including Agency counsel; Reserve Fee established by Resolution 2020-05
<b>Designated Surcharges Account</b>	<b>For Board-directed uses only, not to be used for routine Agency operations</b>
Designated Operating Reserves	Maintain \$1,000,000 reserve balance based on Board direction
Operating Fund	Routine annual operation expenses
<b>Grand Total Fund Balance</b>	<b>Total of all above</b>

GEMES = Groundwater Extraction Management Enforcement Surcharge  
Accounts, funds, and reserves at Board's discretion

# Current Tiered Surcharge Rates

- Board established a three-tier surcharge rate structure on December 1, 2010, by adoption of Resolution No. 2010-07
- Current surcharge rates set when Board adopted Resolution No. 2022-06 effective January 1, 2023, for extractions exceeding allocation:

Tier	Pumping	Rate	Note
Tier I	0.001 to 25.000 AF	\$1,841 per AF	
Tier II	25.001 to 99.999 AF	\$2,091 per AF	additional surcharge of \$250 per AF
Tier III	100 AF or more	\$2,341 per AF	additional surcharge of \$500 per AF



# Calleguas MWD Fee Increase

- Calleguas's Board adopted the Tier 2 rate increase to \$1,929 per AF effective January 1, 2024
- Calleguas is a member agency of Metropolitan and the largest purveyor of imported water within the Agency
- Calleguas's Tier 2 Supply Rate is "set at Metropolitan's cost of developing additional supply to encourage efficient use of local resources"
- Therefore, the current Agency surcharge rate is:
  - Less than the cost of imported water from Calleguas, and
  - No longer serves the intended purpose of discouraging extraction above allocation

# Current Groundwater Conditions

- Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs) established minimum thresholds (MTs), measurable objectives (MOs), and interim milestones for the basins
- The most recent GSP Annual Reports were approved by your Board in January 2022 for the Oxnard Subbasin and Pleasant Valley Basin and in March 2022 for the Las Posas Valley Basin
- Annual Reports indicate groundwater levels were:
  - Below MTs in 24 of 28 key wells measured in the Oxnard Subbasin
  - Below MTs in 5 of 6 key well measured in the Pleasant Valley Basin
  - Below MOs in 7 of 18 key wells measured in the Las Posas Basin

Corrected groundwater level indicators



# Proposed Resolution No. 2024-03

- The proposed Resolution would adjust the Agency's tiered surcharge rates effective January 1, 2024, consistent with the increase in Calleguas' Tier 2 rate:
  - FCGMA Surcharge Tier I = Calleguas' Tier II rate = \$1,929
- Proposed Rates:

Tier	Pumping	Rate	Note
Tier I	0.001 to 25.000 AF	\$1,929 per AF	
Tier II	25.001 to 99.999 AF	\$2,179 per AF	additional surcharge of \$250 per AF
Tier III	100 AF or more	\$2,429 per AF	additional surcharge of \$500 per AF



# Recommendation

- Adopt Resolution No. 2024-03, with corrected groundwater level indicators approving increased tiered groundwater extraction surcharge rates



# Surcharge Effective Date

- Past surcharge increases matched Calleguas effective date, recently January 1<sup>st</sup>
- Reporting periods are October 1 – March 31 and April 1 – September 30
- Pumping that incurs surcharges reported in Water Year 23-24 will be at the new rate

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April 24, 2024

Board of Directors  
Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency  
800 South Victoria Avenue  
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**SUBJECT: 2024 John K. Flynn Groundwater Stewardship Award Recipient – (New Item)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Board will announce the recipient of the John K. Flynn Groundwater Stewardship Award for 2024.

## DISCUSSION:

In 2003, a Groundwater Stewardship Award was established to honor long-time County Supervisor and Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency Director John K. Flynn for his many accomplishments and contributions to the Agency. The annual award was meant to recognize an individual or entity that contributed the most to protecting groundwater, enhancing water quality, or assisting the Agency in efforts to manage water resources in this area of the County.

## Past Award Winners:

2023 – Dan Detmer  
2022 – Kathleen Riedel  
2021 – Steve Bennett  
2020 – Charlotte Craven  
2019 – Alden Broome  
2018 – Bryan Bondy  
2017 – Lynn Maulhardt  
2016 – Carol Schoen  
2015 – Samuel A. McIntyre  
2014 – Michael Solomon  
2013 – County of Ventura Water and Sanitation Department  
2012 – Susan Mulligan  
2011 – Calleguas Municipal Water District  
2010 – Camrosa Water District  
2009 – John Mathews, Esq.  
2008 – Dana Wisehart  
2007 – Dr. Lowell Preston  
2006 – Dr. Steve Bachman  
2005 – Phil Drescher, Esq.  
2004 – Jurgen Gramckow

The award is made according to the following guidelines:

1. The award shall be made to an individual or organization that, during the past year(s), demonstrates the greatest contribution to the preservation and improvement of quality and/or quantity of groundwater in the FCGMA.
2. The Agency Executive Officer shall compile a list of award nominees.
3. Nominations shall be solicited from the FCGMA membership (well operators and well owners) and shall be sent to the Agency Executive Officer.
4. The Executive Officer shall submit the list of nominees to the Board member committee for ranking, and the Executive Officer shall compile the results of those rankings.
5. An individual person may receive the award only once. Organizations are not subject to this limitation.
6. The Committee can select the annual recipient from the list of nominations or select another.

At the March 8, 2024, meeting, the Board appointed Directors Borchard and Trembley to the 2024 Flynn Award Ad Hoc Committee. The Agency posted a request for nominations on the FCGMA website. The Board will announce the winner of the 2024 John K. Flynn Groundwater Stewardship Award to the public today.

This letter has been reviewed by Agency Counsel. If you have any questions, please call me at (805) 654-3942.

Sincerely,



Arne Anselm  
Interim Executive Officer

Attachments:

Item 6A – Flynn Award Presentation 2024



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FCGMA Presentation  
for the

## John K. Flynn Annual Groundwater Stewardship Award

In 2003, the annual John K. Flynn Groundwater Stewardship Award was established to honor an individual or entity that has made significant contributions to protecting groundwater, enhancing water quality, or assisting the FCGMA in efforts to manage the water resources that are so vital to our area.

The 2024 recipient of the annual Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency's Groundwater Stewardship Award is someone recognized for their expertise in geology, hydrogeology, and their commitment to water resources in Ventura County.

After applying his skills as a staff sergeant in the United States Air Force, our honoree studied geology, hydrogeology, and groundwater modeling at CSU-Northridge. He is a Professional Geologist (since 1994), a Certified Engineering Geologist (since 1995), and a Certified Hydrogeologist (since 1995), and the roles he held before joining Fox Canyon saw him move from being a consultant managing singular projects to leading corporations, to then spending seven years as the Natural Resource Conservation Manager for the City of Visalia.

This person's technical excellence has been vital to the successful operation of the FCGMA during a period marked by rapid changes and increasing responsibilities of the Agency; this person helped to shepherd the Agency through times of unprecedented challenges, keeping central our mission of preservation and management of groundwater resources within our boundaries for the common benefit of all users.

He served for three years as the Agency's chair of the Technical Advisory Group; he developed structure for Basin Optimization Plans, including yield studies; he oversaw the development of Groundwater Sustainability Plans for the three Department of Water Resources Bulletin 118 groundwater basins that the Agency manages, and which, of the 46 original plans submitted, were three of only eight approved by the Department of Water Resources. He was a measured and capable Groundwater Manager right up to his retirement in January of this year.

Most of all, our honoree understands the multifaceted importance of groundwater and, in conveying this understanding, inspired the Agency's staff with the knowledge that their actions impact today's users and future generations. Over the years, he has brought logic, research, and reason to the forefront, ensuring a line of sight above the fray.

In summary, today's recipient understands that real changes must be made to ensure the long-term sustainability of groundwater. This person has helped the Agency focus on helping to effect such changes. This individual is viewed by all as willing to help and doing it well.

Please join me in congratulating the 2024 recipient of the annual Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency's John K. Flynn Groundwater Stewardship Award:

**Kimball Loeb**

**Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency**

# **Executive Officer's Report**

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**Arne Anselm**

April 24, 2024

Board of Directors  
Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency  
800 South Victoria Avenue  
Ventura, CA 93009-1600

**SUBJECT: Executive Officer's Report – (New Item)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive and file an informational update on Agency activities.

## CONTRACTS

In 2018 your Board authorized the Executive Officer to enter professional services contracts up to \$25,000. I exercised this authority to fill short-term needs with the three contracts described below. Each of these contracts includes a not to exceed limit of \$25,000.

- Las Posas Valley water rights holders are required under the Las Posas Adjudication Judgment to report water extractions and use by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Regional Government Services (RGS) was contracted to develop an electronic reporting tool, provide assistance and instructions on the tool, and attend a meeting to introduce and explain the tool. RGS will compile all extraction and use data for the Watermaster. This contract's scope also includes General Support Services as requested by Agency.
- Under an existing Agency resolution, operators are required to equip their flowmeters with advanced metering infrastructure (AMI). The Agency contracted with Rincon Associates to assist with AMI data input/data management, track data deliverables from AMI vendors, and import the monthly data.
- As identified in item 3 of this month's meeting agenda, Hallmark Group was contracted to evaluate the staffing needs of the Agency to meet its goals through the end of this year and for the next fiscal year. This contract's scope also includes General Support Services as requested by Agency.

## CONCLUSION:

This letter has been reviewed by Agency Counsel. If you have any questions, please call me at (805) 805.654.3942.

Sincerely,

Arne Anselm  
Interim Executive Officer

Attachment: Item 7A – EO Correspondence RE: *People v. Naumann*; VCSC Case No. 2023020834

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***Re: People v. Naumann; VCSC Case NO. 2023020834***

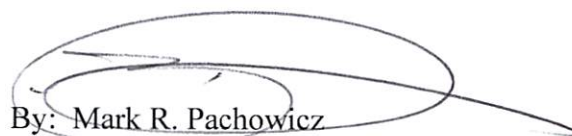
Dear Gentleman:

Since FCGMA received a number of checks from my client's company, Naumann Farms, and refused to cash them for reasons yet to be explained, it is long past time for you to give my client credit for payments already made. Further, it is hereby demanded that FCGMA reimburse the money he has now overpaid to satisfy the prosecution.

Of course, it has been publicized by both of your respective offices that the restitution required to be paid was \$30,000 even though there is an agreement, the true amount outstanding and due is much less than the \$30,000. Therefore, prior to sentencing, we demand both of you figure out what you think it is my client really owes, and return all the overpaid money. If you prefer to do that at the courthouse, in front of the reporters you informed the amount due was \$30,000, you can write a check and deliver it to me on the record.

Sincerely,

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# Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (FCGMA)

## Scheduled Meetings for Calendar Year 2024



### Board Regular Meetings

*Fourth Wednesday, monthly*

January 24 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 pm
February 28 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 pm
March 27 <sup>th</sup>	12:30 pm
April 24 <sup>th</sup>	12:30 pm
May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	12:30 pm
June 26 <sup>th</sup>	12:30 pm
July 24 <sup>th</sup>	12:30 pm
**August 28 <sup>th</sup>	12:30 pm
September 25 <sup>th</sup>	12:30 pm
October 23 <sup>rd</sup>	12:30 pm
November	N/A
December 4 <sup>th</sup>	12:30 pm

### \*Board Special Meetings

*Second Friday, monthly*

January 12 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 pm
February 9 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 pm
March 8 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 pm
April 12 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 pm
May 10 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 pm
June 14 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 pm
July 12 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 pm
**August 9 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 pm
September 13 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 pm
October 11 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 pm
November 8 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 pm
December 13 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 pm

### \*Executive Committee Meetings

*Third Thursday, every 3 months*

March 21 <sup>st</sup>	2:00 pm
June 20 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am
September 19 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am
December 19 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am

### \*Operations Committee Meetings

*First Monday, every 2 months*

February 5 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 pm
April 1 <sup>st</sup>	2:00 pm
June 3 <sup>rd</sup>	2:00 pm
August 5 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 pm
October 7 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 pm
December 2 <sup>nd</sup>	2:00 pm

### \*Fiscal Committee Meetings

May 14 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 pm
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### Key

**\*All meetings listed with an asterisk (\*) are subject to necessity.**

**\*\*August Board meetings** will not be held in the Board of Supervisors Hearing Room as per usual. Instead, they **will be held in the Lower Plaza Assembly Room.**

	<i>Already Occurred</i>
<del>Meeting Date &amp; Time</del>	<i>Did Not Hold Meeting</i>