



Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency

5-Year GSP Evaluation for the OPV: Technical Workshop



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5-Year GSP Evaluation Modeling Scenarios

5-Year Evaluation Modeling Scenario Review



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

5-Year GSP Evaluation Modeling Scenarios: Revisions

5-Year Evaluation Modeling Scenario Review



Future Baseline

Baseline Demands

- Revised to account for use of Conejo Creek water during the 2016 – 2022 period



No New Projects

- No revisions



Projects

Freeman Diversion

- Santa Clara River water availability description revised based on simulated hydrology
- 5,000 AFY of additional Santa Clara River water, compared to Future Baseline scenario



Projects With EBB

Delivery of treated water

- Approximately 3,500 AFY of treated EBB water simulated as being delivered to the Forebay for recharge

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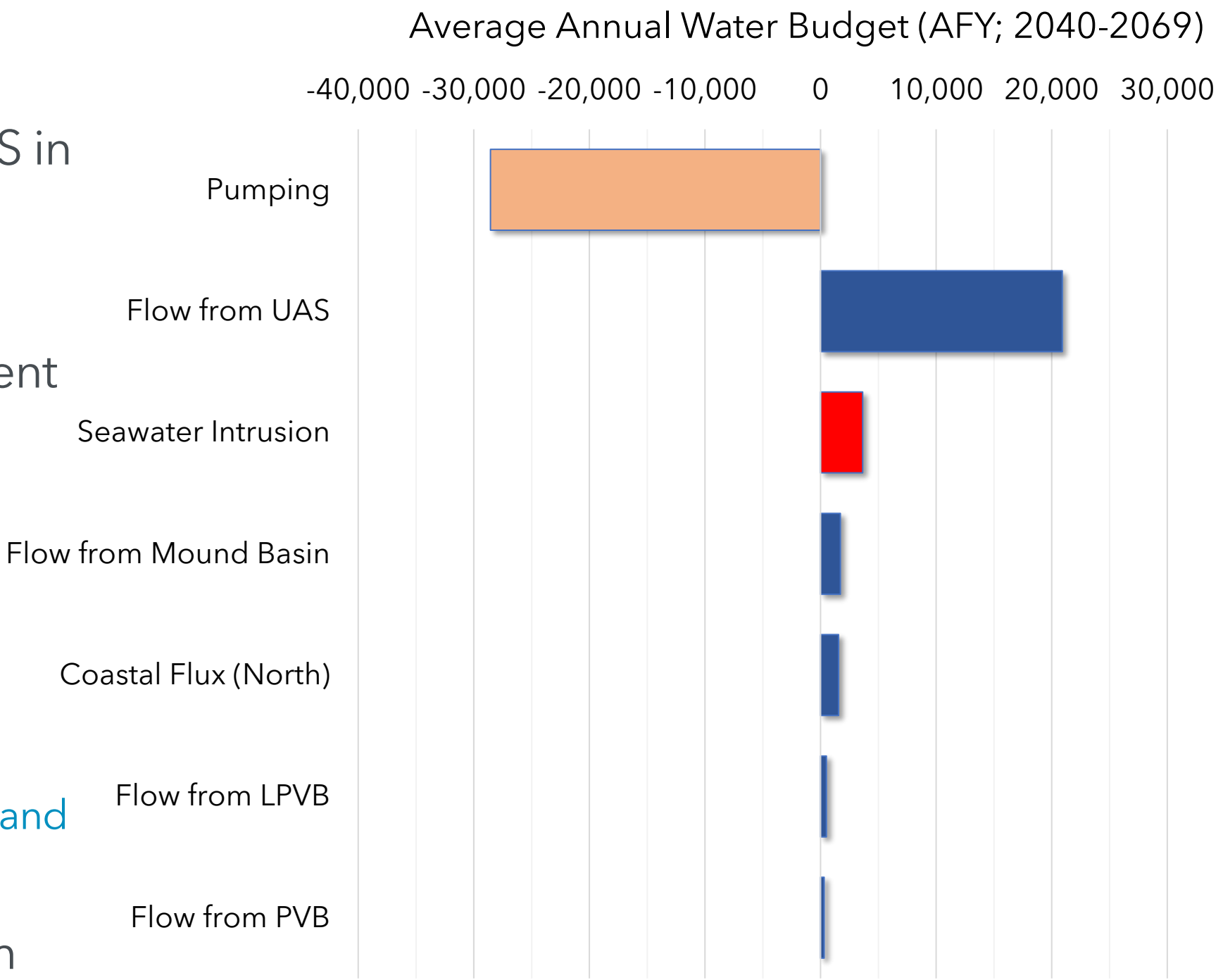
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Baseline Scenario: LAS Water Budget

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

- Updated since April 2024 Workshop
- Pumping is the only outflow from the LAS in Oxnard:
 - ~28,600 AFY
- Interactions between Oxnard and adjacent basins:
 - Underflows from LPV: ~500 AFY
 - Underflows from PV: ~300 AFY
- Coastal Flux:
 - Saline Intrusion: ~3,600 AFY
 - Flow from to the ocean north of Channel Island Harbor: ~1,600 AFY
- Pumping from the LAS induces flow from UAS

Oxnard Subbasin



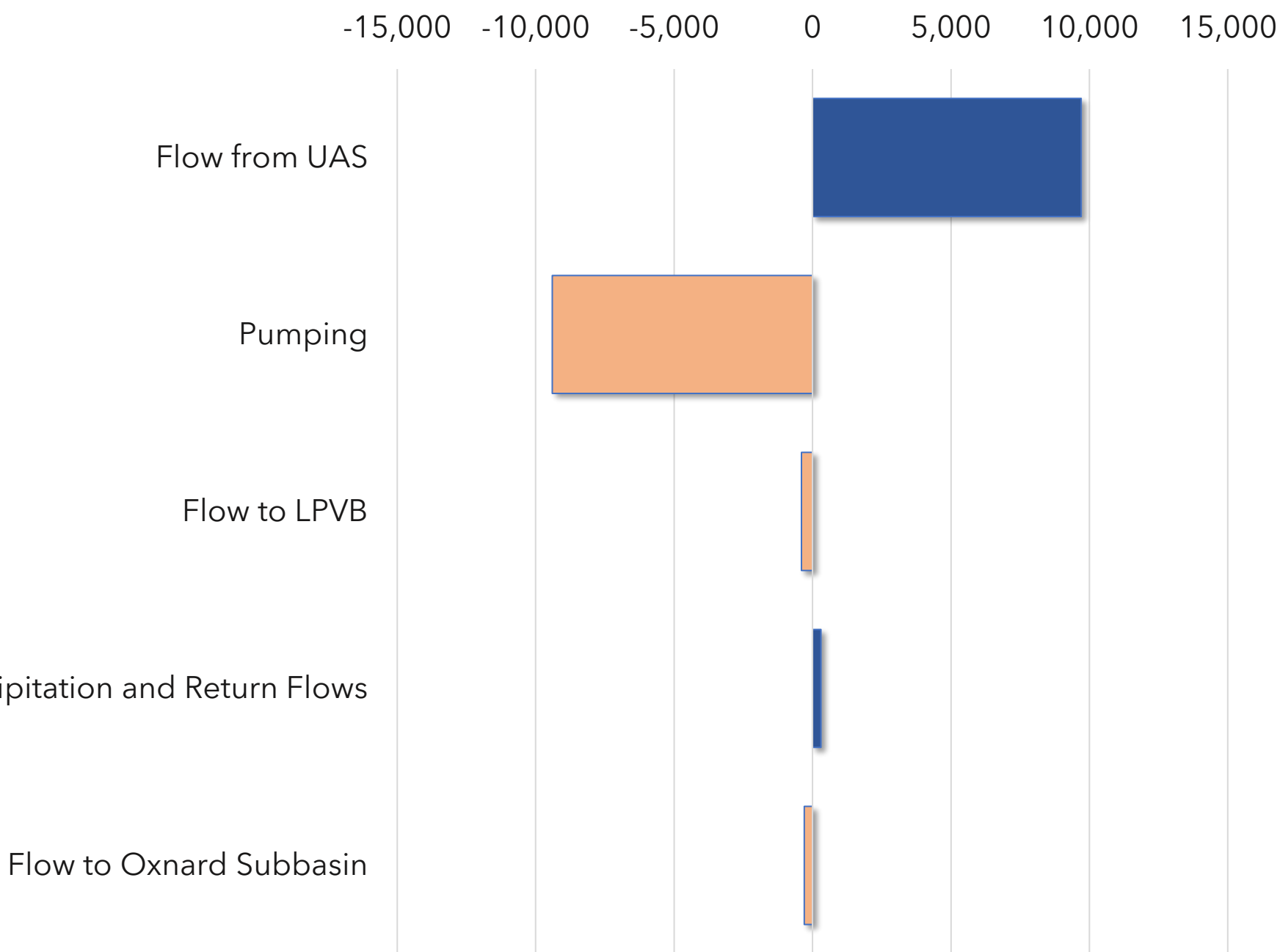
Baseline Scenario: LAS Water Budget

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

- Updated since April 2024 Workshop
- Outflows from the LAS in the PVB consist of:
 - Pumping (~9,400) AFY
 - Underflows to Oxnard (~300 AFY)
 - Underflows to LPV (~400 AFY)
- Pumping from the LAS induces flow from UAS in the PVB

Pleasant Valley Basin

Average Annual Water Budget (AFY; 2040-2069)



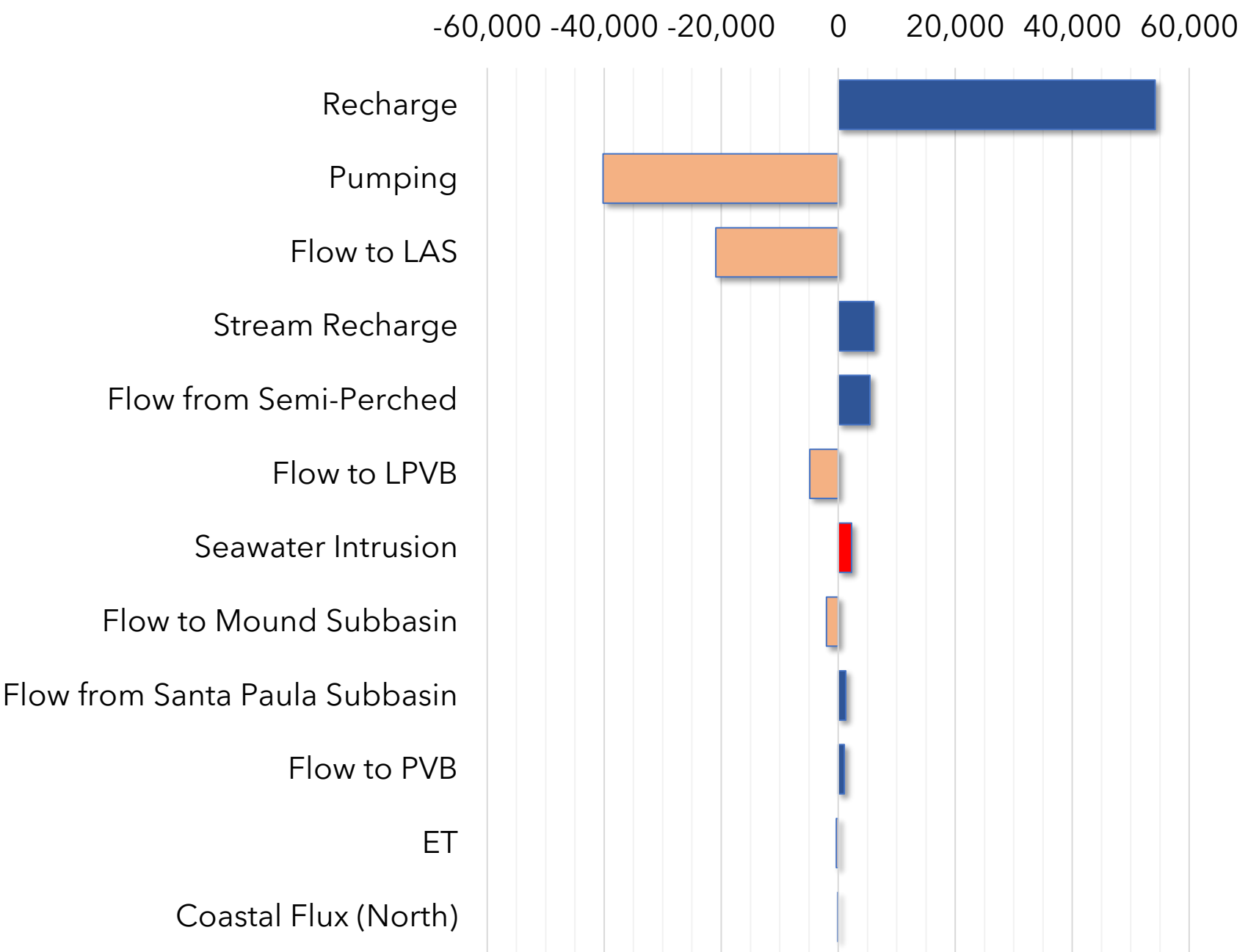
Baseline Scenario: UAS Water Budget

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

- Updated since April 2024 Workshop
- Largest outflows:
 - Pumping: ~40,200 AFY
 - Flow form UAS to LAS: ~20,900 AFY
- Interactions between Oxnard and adjacent basins:
 - Underflows to LPV: ~4,800 AFY
 - Underflows from PV: ~1,000 AFY
- Coastal Flux:
 - Saline Intrusion: ~2,300 AFY
 - Flow out to the ocean north of Channel Island Harbor: ~100 AFY

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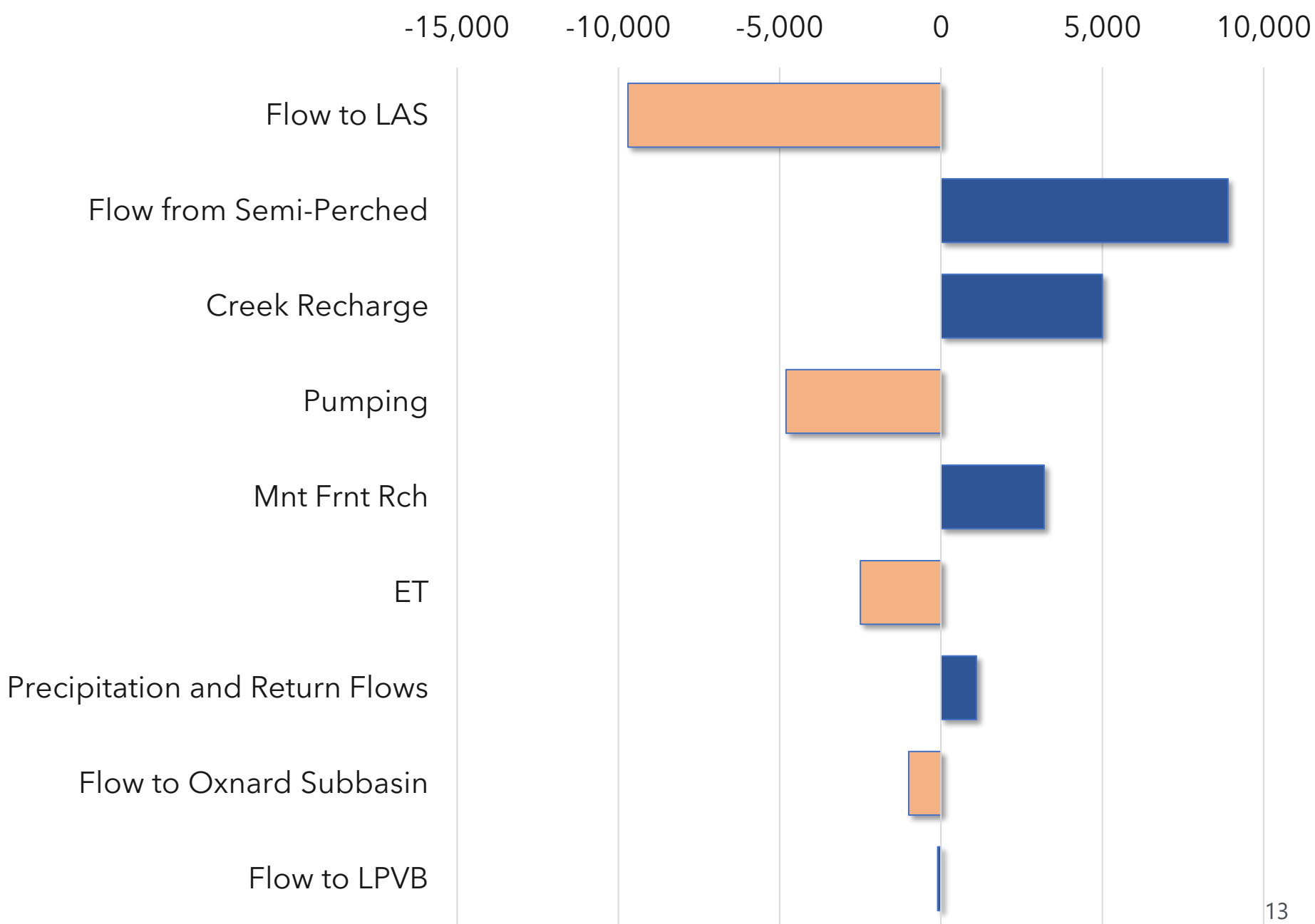
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Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

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 - Pumping: ~4,800 AFY
- Interactions between Oxnard and adjacent basins:
 - Underflows to Oxnard: ~1,800 AFY
 - Underflows to LPV: ~100 AFY

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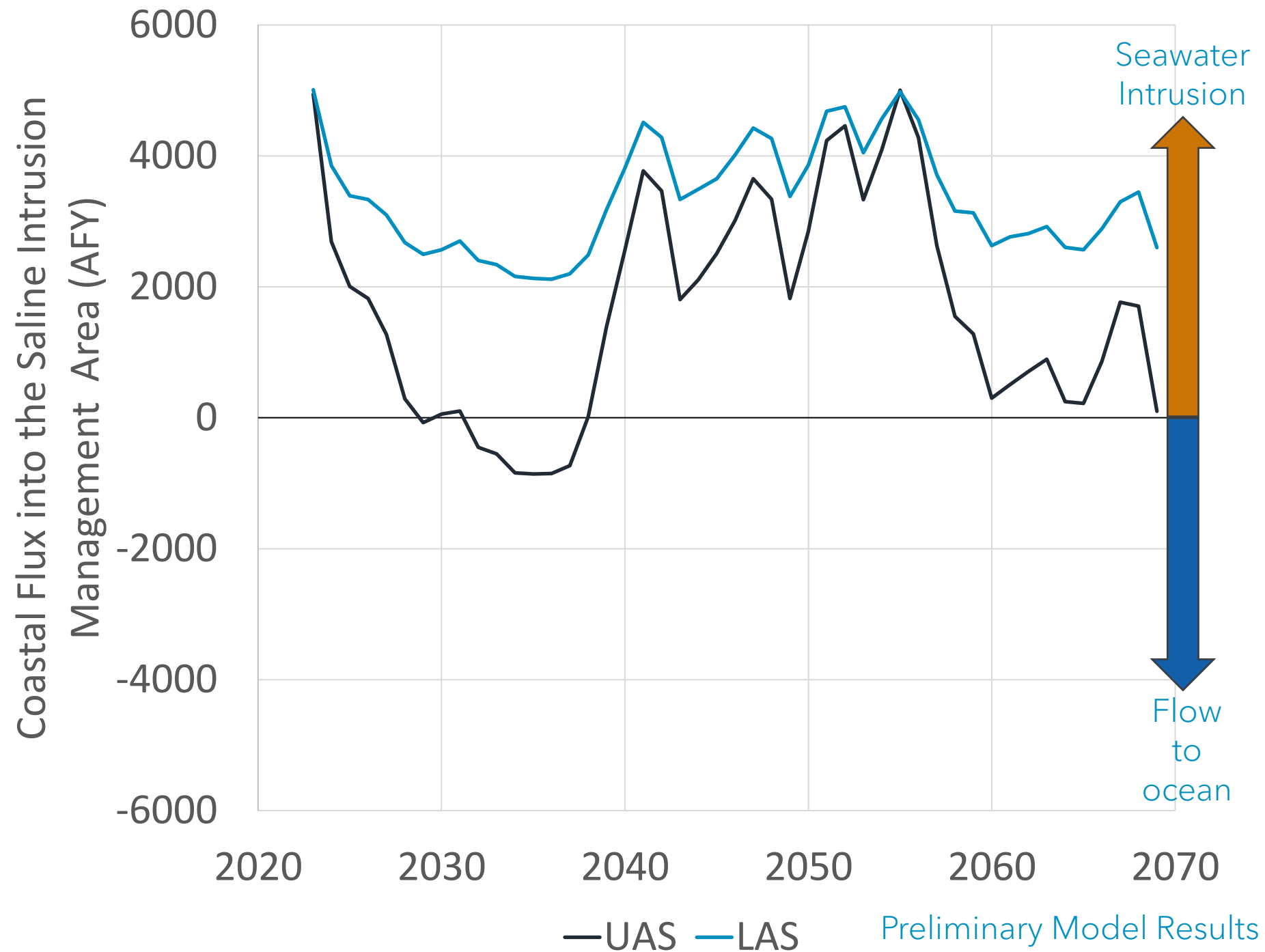
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Oxnard Subbasin – Estimates of Seawater Intrusion

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

- Seawater Intrusion into the UAS
 - 2040 - 2070 Average = 2,300 AFY
 - Periods of groundwater outflow to the Pacific Ocean during the wet 2029 - 2039 period
- Seawater Intrusion into the LAS
 - 2040 - 2070 Average = 3,600 AFY
 - No periods of groundwater outflow to the Ocean
- Sustainability Goal
 - No net intrusion into the UAS and LAS over the 2040 - 2070 period



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No New Projects: General Approach

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- **Goal:**

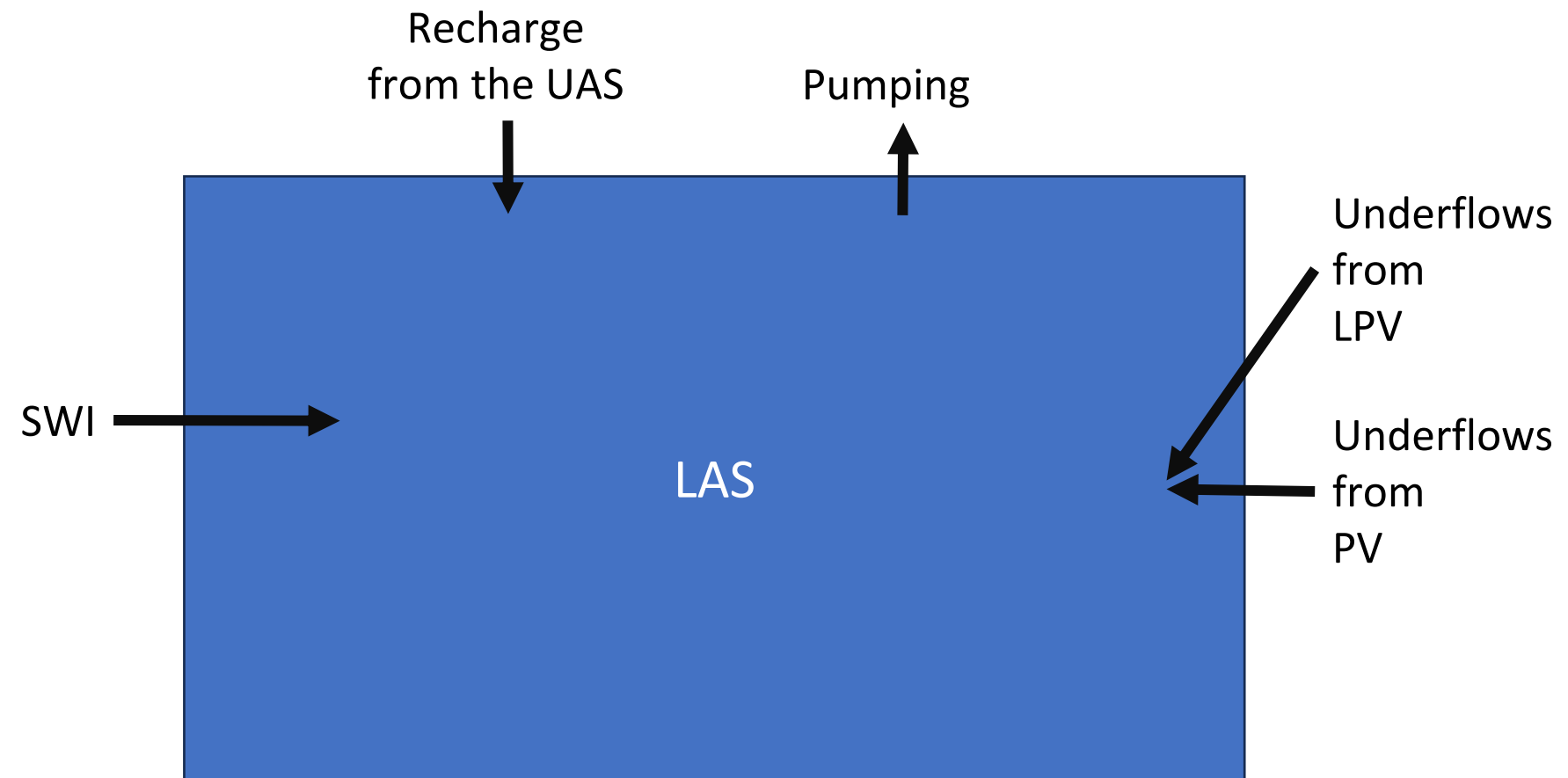
- Simulate pumping from the Oxnard Subbasin, PVB, and LPVB that results in no net seawater intrusion

- **Considerations:**

- Underflow between basins
- Flow between aquifer systems

- **Methods:**

- Relate generalized water budget components to pumping in each system



No New Projects: Initial Scenario Design

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

- **No New Projects 1:**
 - Operate at sustainable yield values presented in the GSPs
- **No New Projects 2:**
 - Evaluate the impact of pumping in the PVB and LPV on LAS seawater intrusion.
 - No pumping in the LAS of the Oxnard Subbasin

Scenario	Simulated Reduction	Simulated Pumping (AFY; 2040-2070)						
		Oxnard		PV		LPV		Total
		UAS	LAS	UAS	LAS	Shallow	LAS	
Baseline	-	-40,200	-28,600	-4,800	-9,400	-400	-13,000	-96,400
No New Projects (NNP) 1	Oxnard: 20% UAS; 80% LAS LPV: 20% PVB: 20%	-30,800	-6,800	-2,900	-9,200	-300	-10,900	-60,900
No New Projects (NNP) 2	Oxnard: 10% UAS; 100% LAS LPV: 0% PVB: 0%	-34,300	-2,600	-3,100	-10,100	-400	-13,100	-63,600

No New Projects: Generalized Water Budgets for the Oxnard LAS

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

- **Seawater Intrusion:**

- Reduced 85-90%

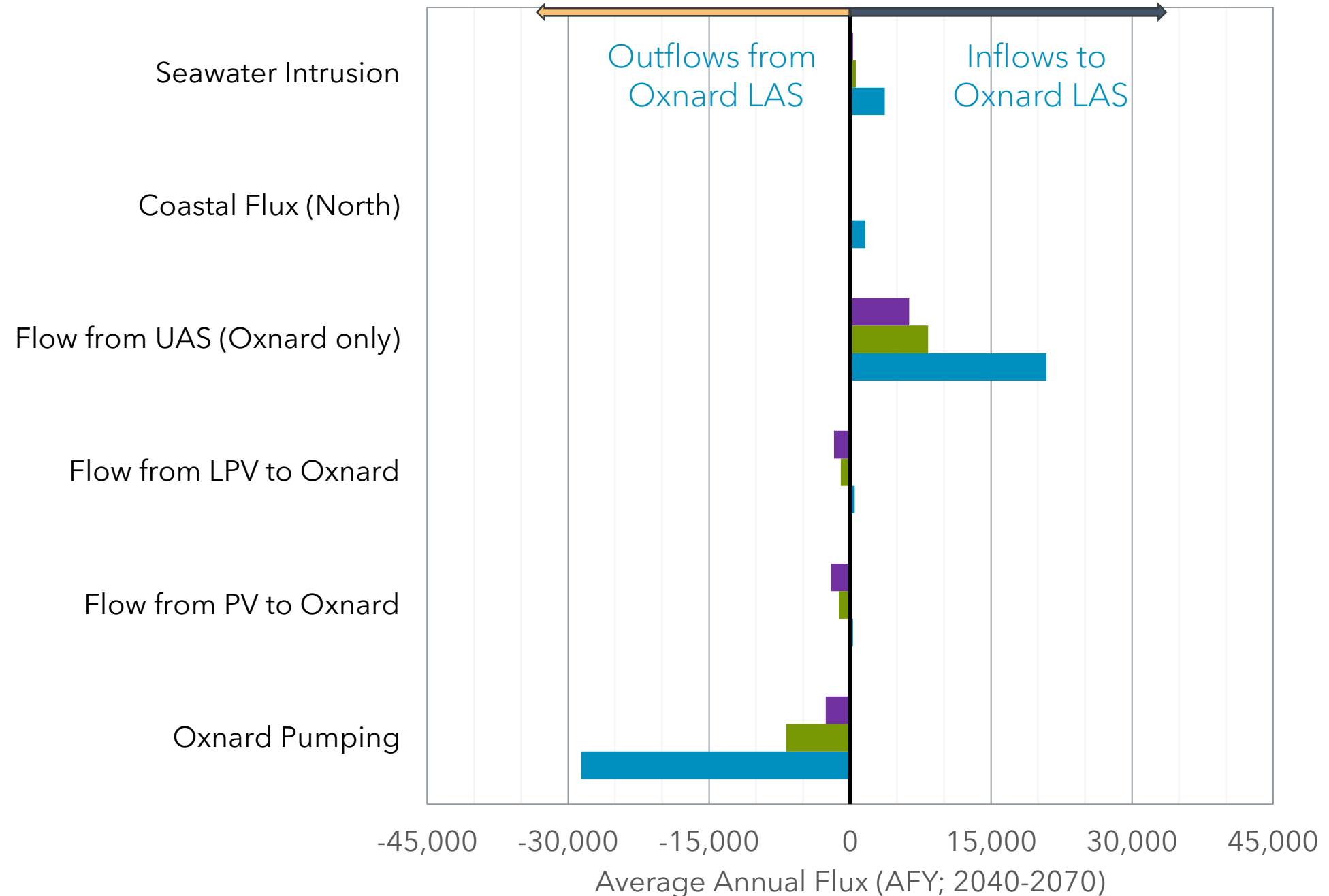
- **Recharge from the UAS:**

- Pumping in the LAS controls recharge from the UAS
 - 12,000 – 14,000 AFY reduction in recharge from the UAS

- **Interbasin Flows:**

- Reductions in Oxnard pumping results in a reversal of net flow across basin boundaries
 - 2,200 – 3,700 AFY flows to LPV and PVB

Generalized Water Budget for the LAS



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■ NNP 2 ■ NNP1 ■ Baseline

No New Projects: Generalized Water Budgets for the Oxnard UAS

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• Seawater Intrusion:

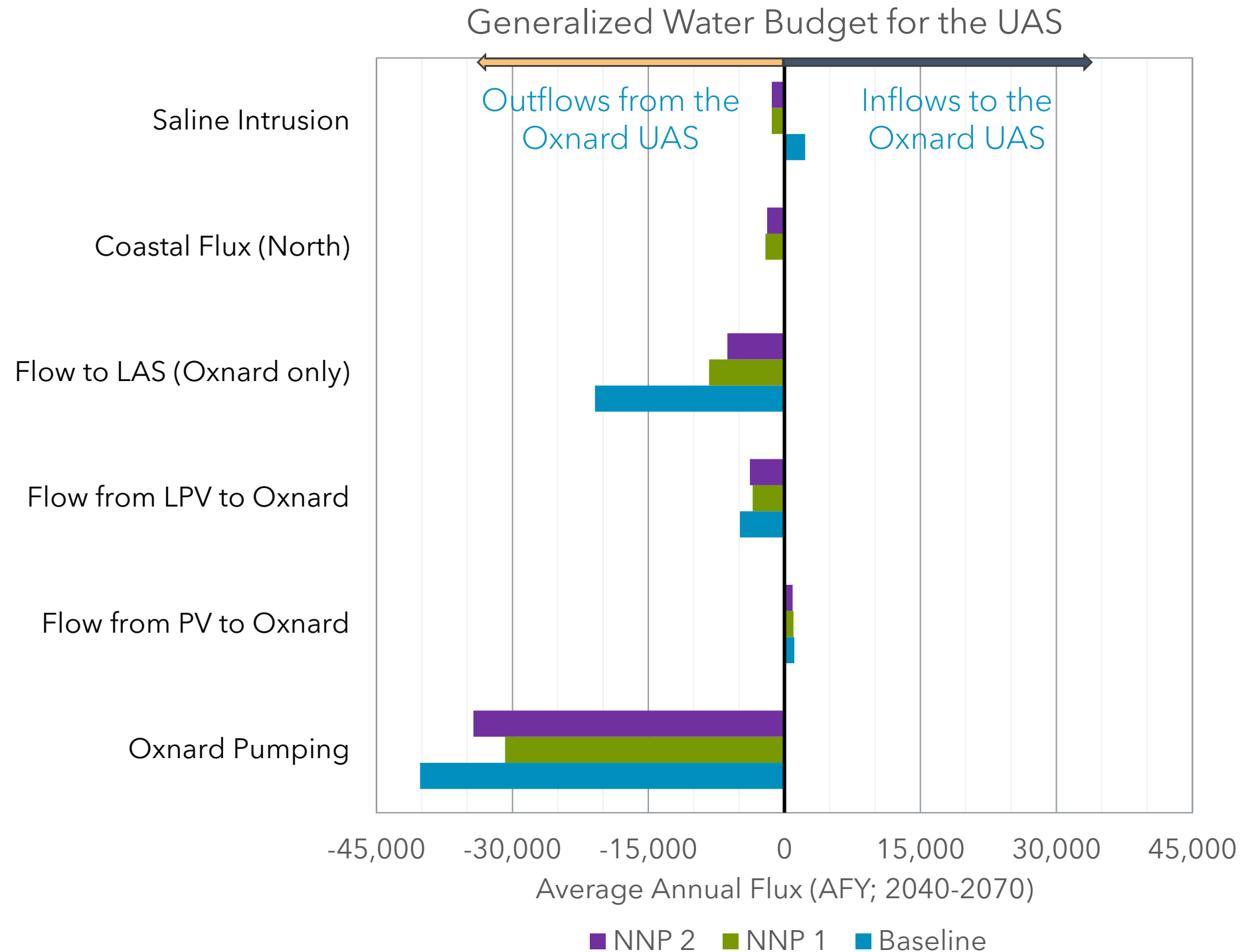
- Groundwater in the UAS, on average, flows to the Pacific Ocean in both scenarios
- Both scenarios result in the same estimate of flow to the ocean

• Flow to the LAS:

- 12,000 - 14,000 AFY reduction in recharge from the UAS
- Results in groundwater flow to the ocean through the UAS

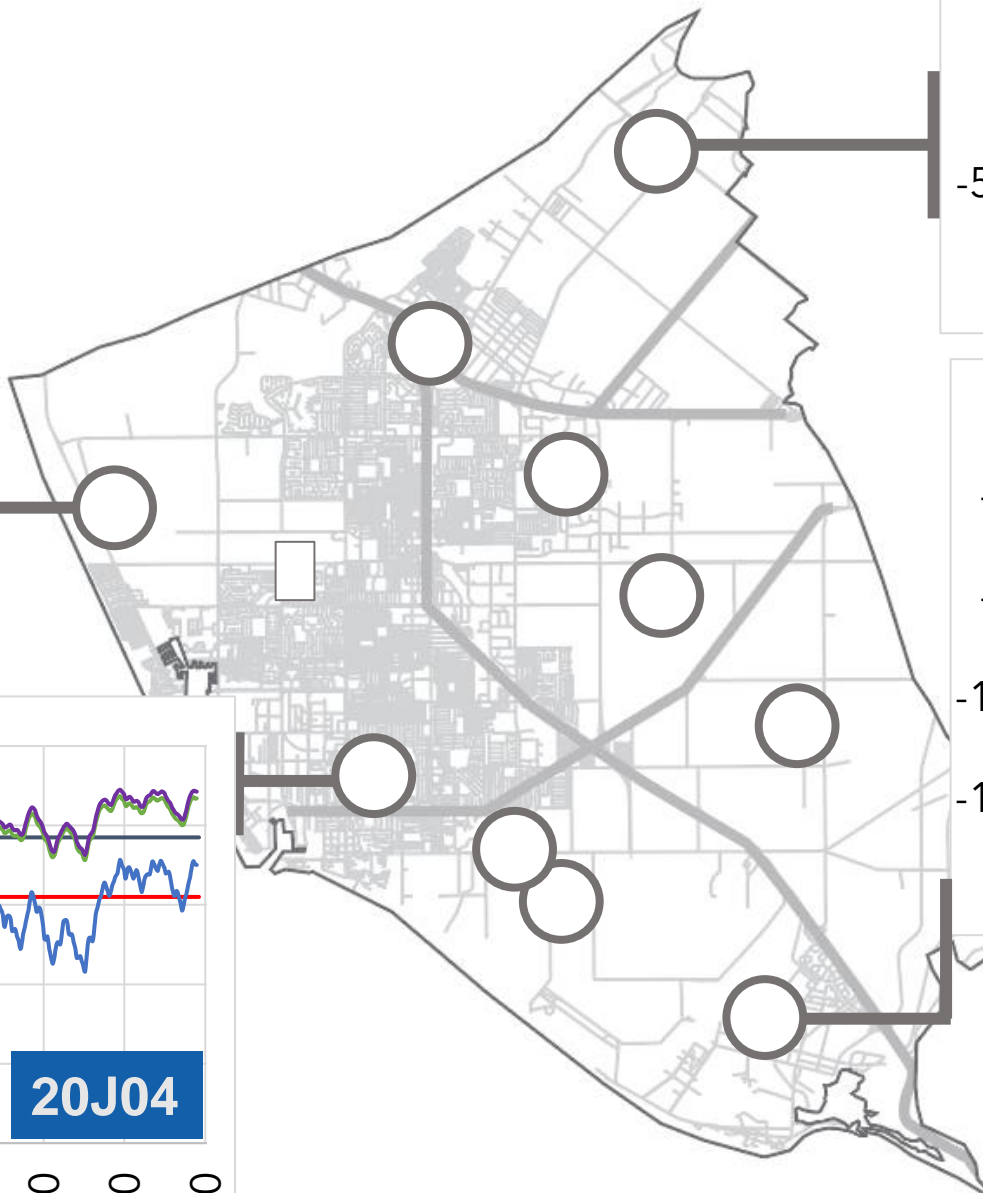
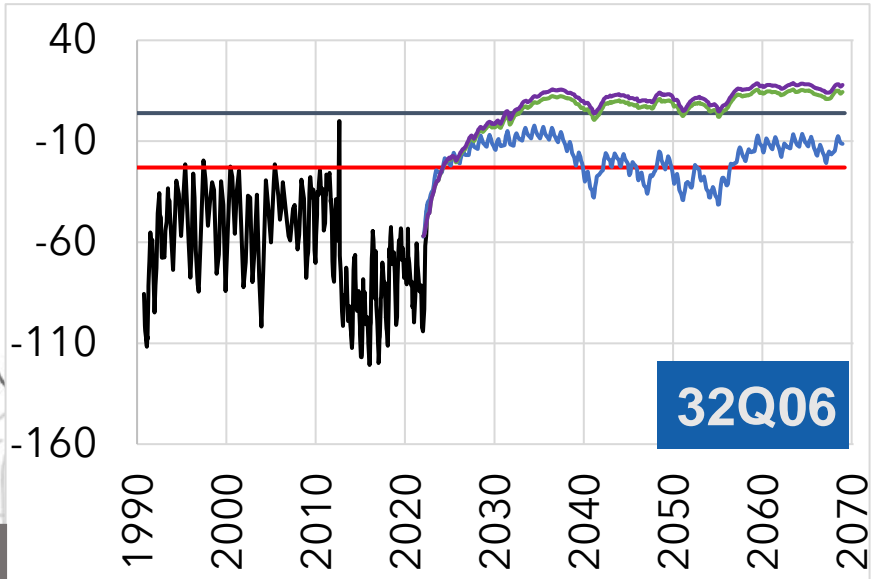
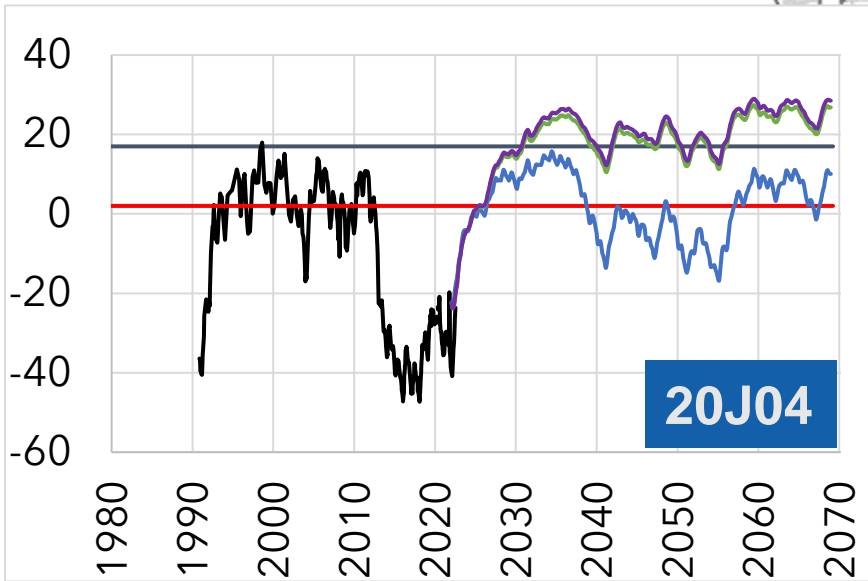
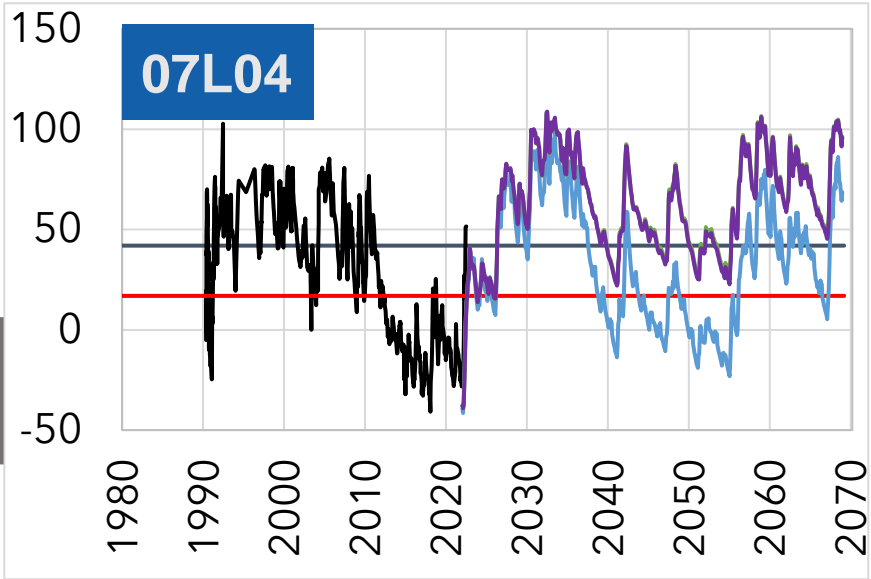
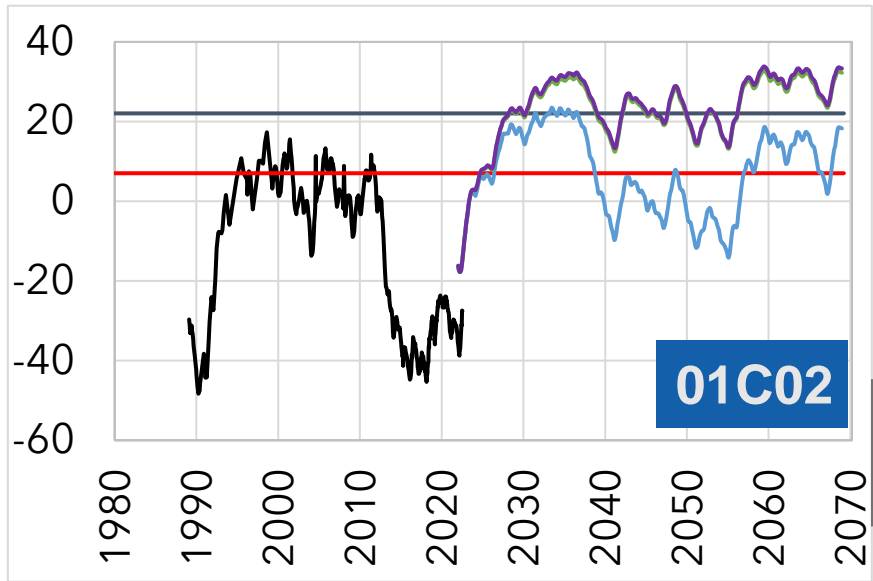
• Inter-basin Flows:

- Less than sensitive to pumping in UAS than the LAS
- Driven by Forebay operations



Oxnard Subbasin – Fox Canyon Aquifer

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation



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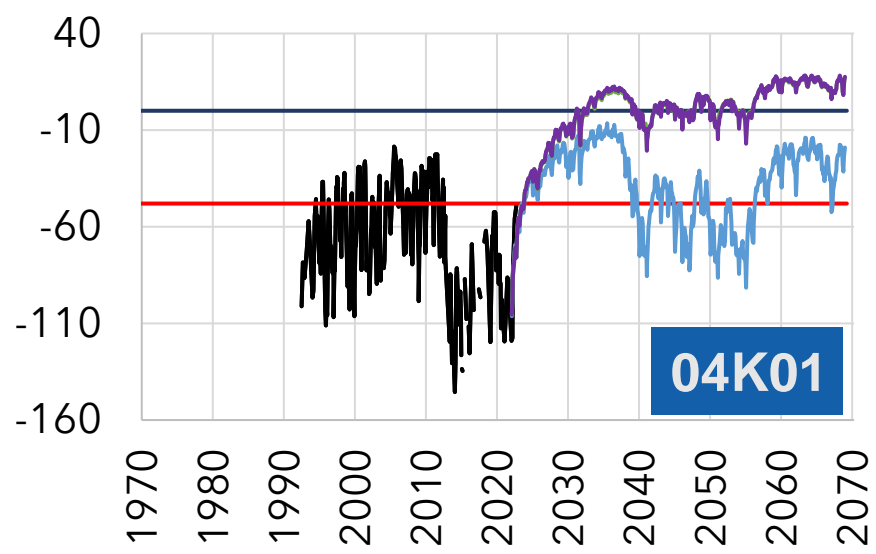
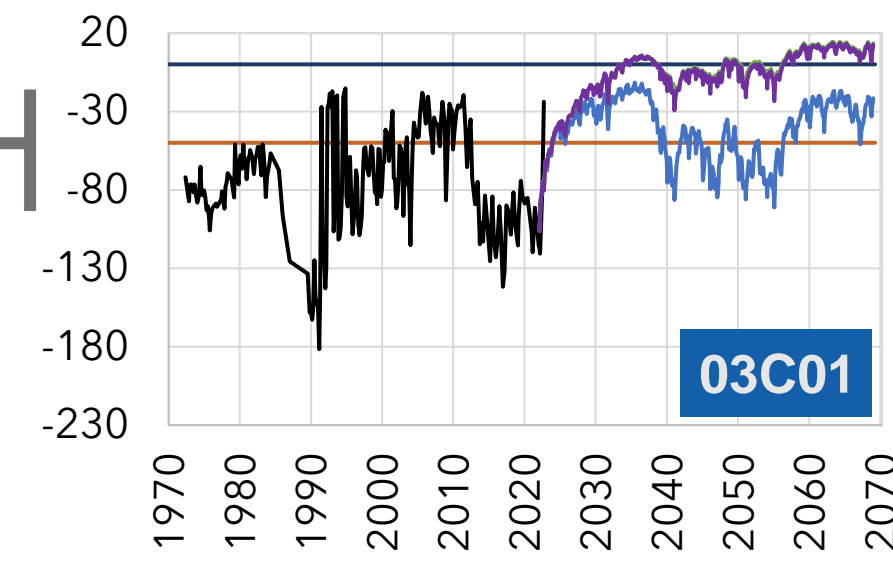
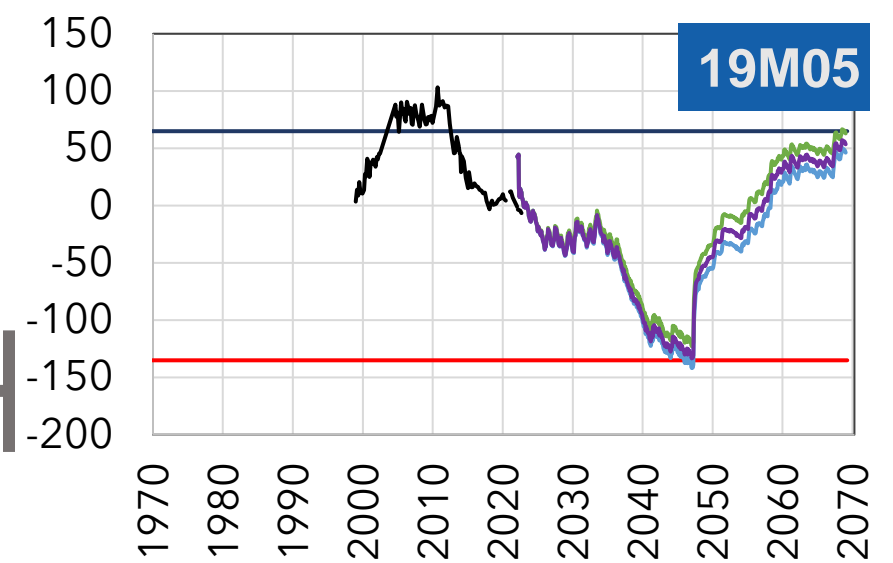
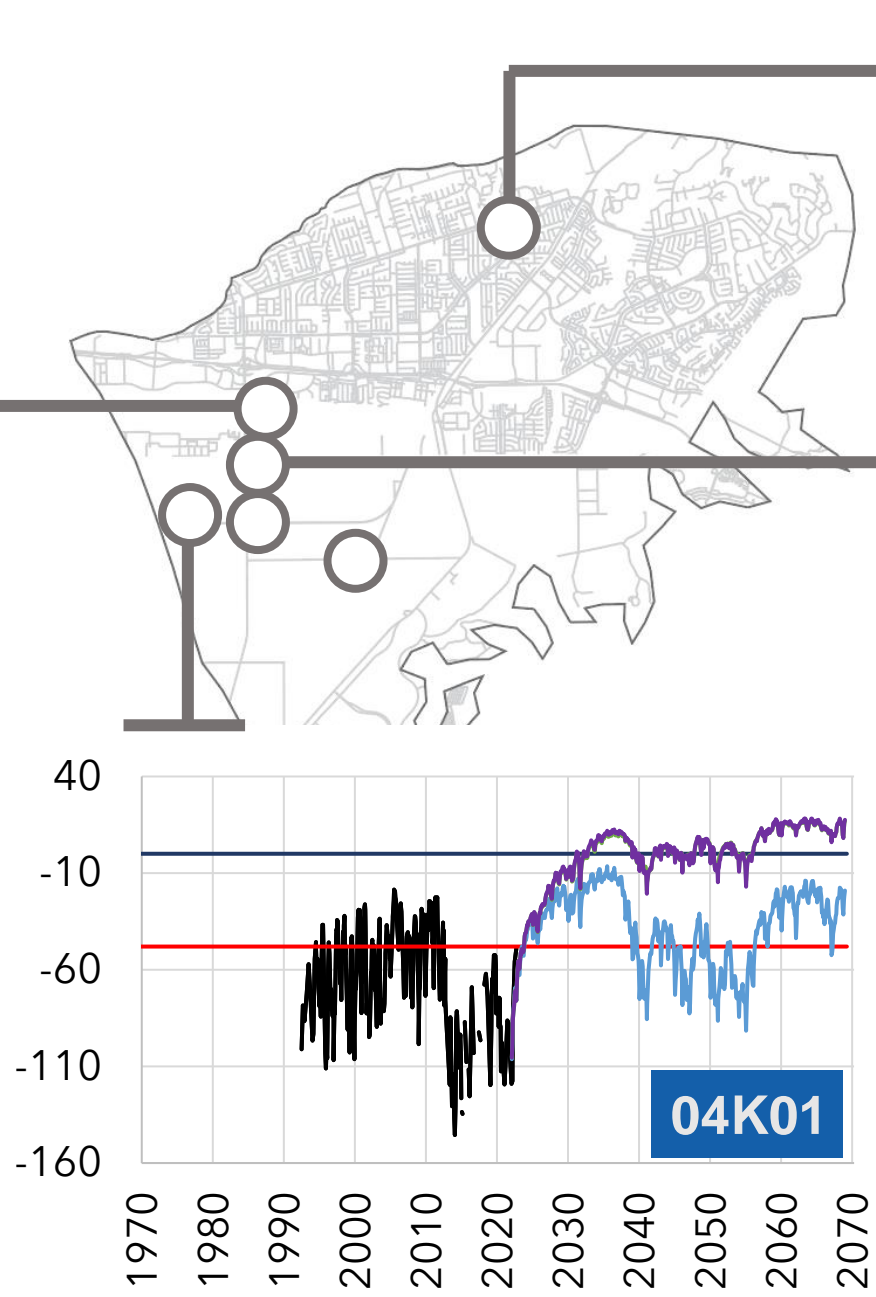
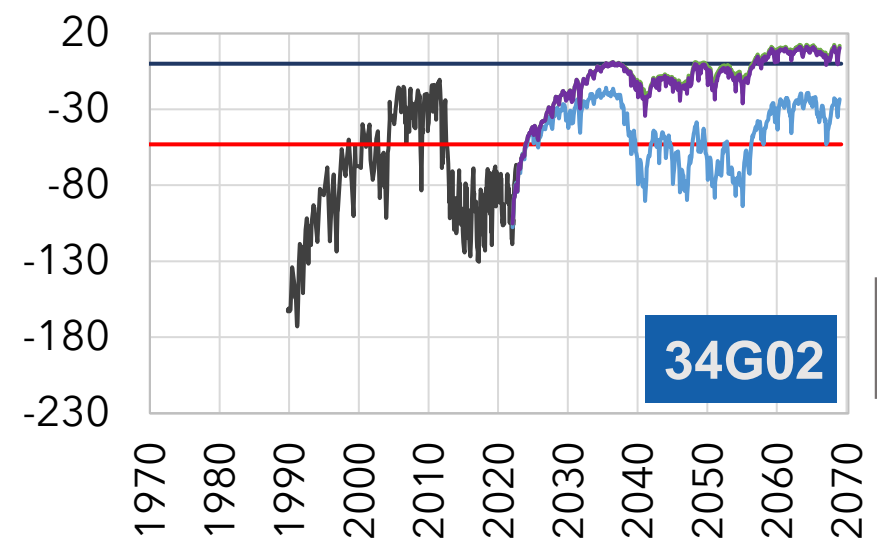
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| Measurable Objective | — | No New Projects | — |
| Minimum Threshold | — | Scenario 1 | — |
| | | Scenario 2 | — |

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Pleasant Valley Basin – Fox Canyon Aquifer

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation

- Groundwater elevations in the PVB in the two No New Projects scenarios fluctuate around the measurable objectives
- No New Projects water levels in the PVB benefit from an additional 1,500 - 2,300 AFY of underflows from Oxnard



Legend

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No New Projects: Scenario 3

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- No New Projects 3:**

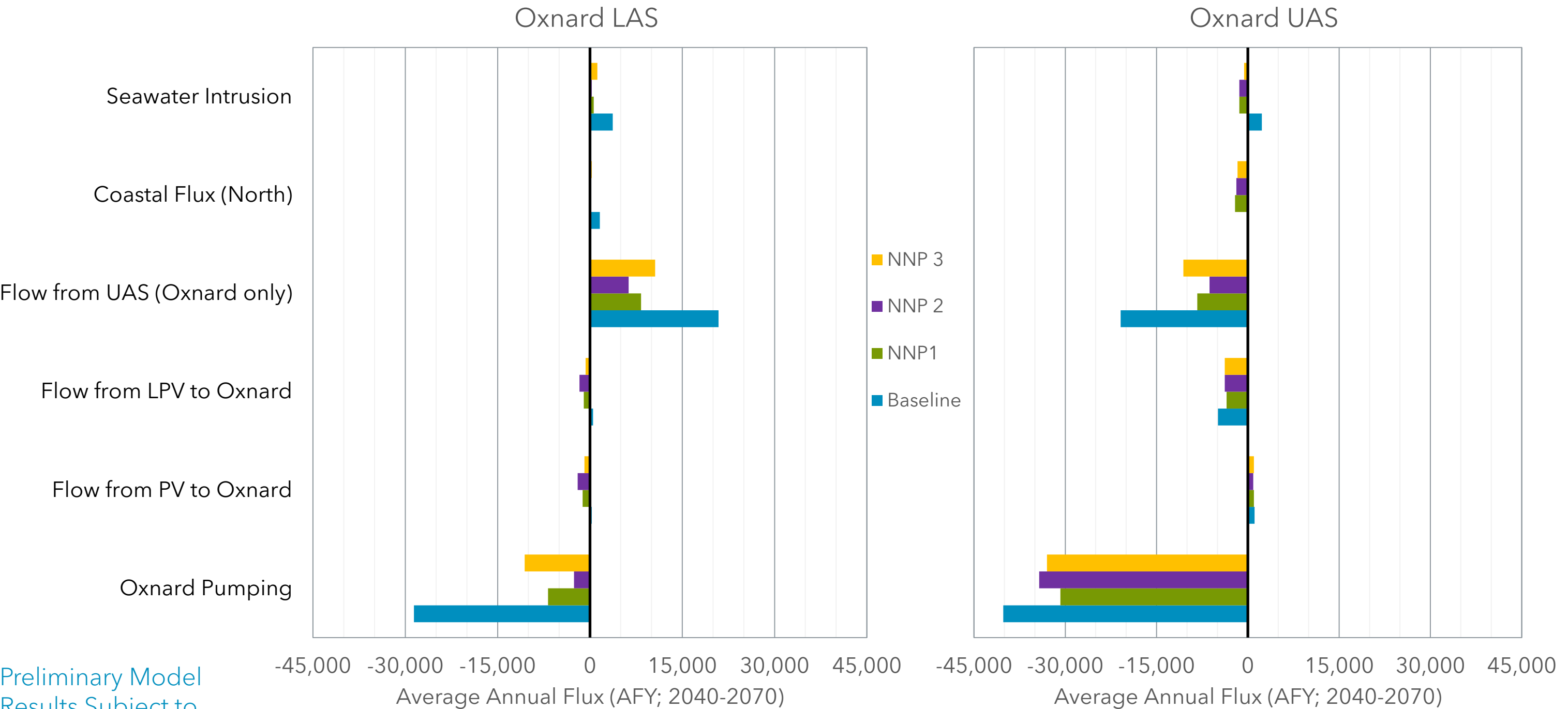
Balance pumping in the LAS of the Oxnard subbasin to:

- Reduce the flow of groundwater to LPV and PVB
- Reduce loss of fresh groundwater to the Pacific Ocean in the UAS

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No New Projects: Generalized Water Budgets

Modeling for the 5-Year GSP Evaluation



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No New Projects: Summary of Results

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Scenario	Simulated Reduction	Simulated Pumping (AFY; 2040-2070)							Simulated Seawater Intrusion (AFY; 2040 – 2070)	
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Key Takeaways

- Inter-basin flows reverse directions as pumping in the LAS of Oxnard is reduced
 - 2,200 – 3,700 AFY of groundwater flows from the Oxnard Subbasin to PVB and LPVB
- The UAS is the primary source of recharge to the LAS
- The sustainable yield of the LAS and UAS cannot be evaluated independently
 - Pumping in the LAS directly influences recharge from the UAS and seawater intrusion in the UAS
- The pumping distributions that lead to operating at the sustainable yield are not unique
 - Model results show that different pumping distributions result in the same estimate of seawater intrusion and very similar groundwater elevations across the OPV

Open Discussion