

DISCUSSION ON USE OF FUND 100 – WATER ENTERPRISE OPERATIONS UNALLOCATED FUND BALANCE

> Zone 7 Finance Committee Meeting April 9, 2025

Strategic Plan

Goal H

Fiscal Responsibility: Operate the Agency in a fiscally responsible manner

Initiative 21

Continue to effectively manage financial resources for the Agency



Takeaways

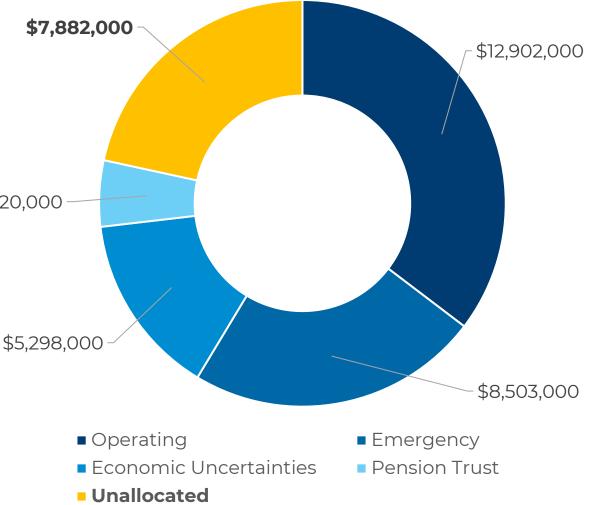
- Unallocated fund balance projected to be \$7.9M on June 30, 2025.
 → Board has discretion on use of unallocated fund balance.
- 2. Agency is facing formal commitment decisions and significant long-term financial investments in water supply reliability.
- 3. Seeking direction from the Committee on the preferred use of the unallocated fund balance to proactively prepare for water supply reliability investments and the financial impacts to water rates.



Background

- Agency's Reserve Policy established three designated reserve funds in Fund 100.
- Funding of Long-Term Pension Liability Policy set up a Pension \$1,920,000-Trust, partially funded by Fund 100.
- Unallocated Fund Balance is the balance remaining after all designated reserves have been funded at the target level.

Fund 100 Reserves

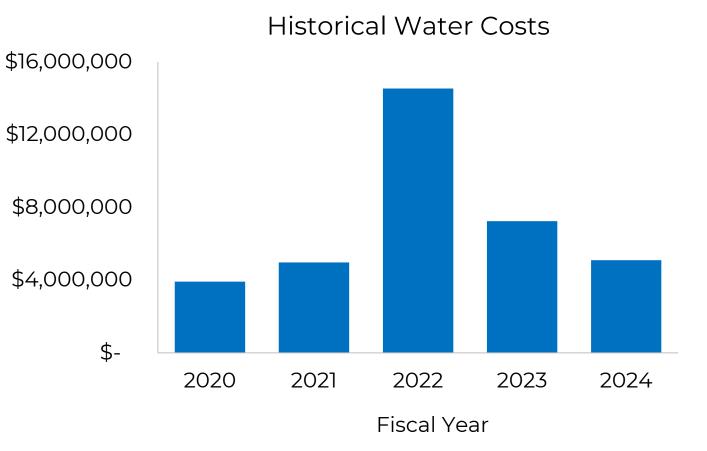




Note: Reserve balances based on FY 24-25 Q2 Year-end projection.

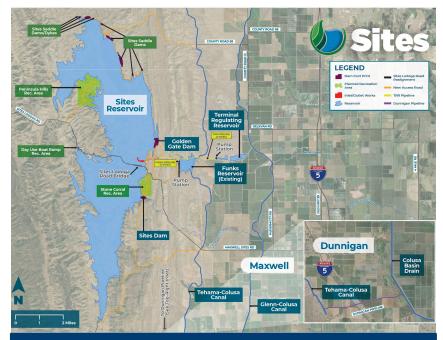
How has the Board directed staff to use unallocated fund balance in the past?

- Purchase drought water supplies with no impact to water rates
- 2. Initial and annual funding of Pension Trust
- 3. Water supply reliability project participation

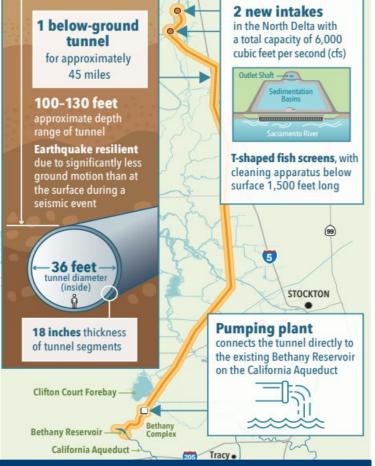




Future Water Supply Reliability Projects



Sites Reservoir Project ~\$5B Current Participation Level ~\$211M Estimated Construction Start Date ~mid 2026



Delta Conveyance Project ~\$20B Current Participation Level ~ \$443M Estimated Construction Start Date ~2029



COL Conveyance System ~\$110-170M Estimated Construction Start Date TBD



Other Ongoing Long-Term Planning Efforts

Long-term planning tools will inform future capital needs within the Agency's water system. Connection Fee Study

Asset Management Program Update 10-Year Water System Capital Improvement Plan



Recommended Action / Next Steps

- Discuss and provide direction on the use of unallocated fund balance.
- Options to prepare for future water supply reliability costs include (but not limited to):
 - 1. Establishing a formal reserve fund with an amendment to the Reserve Policy.
 - 2. Earmarking a portion of the unallocated fund balance.



Questions?



Water Quality

Water Reliability

Flood Protection

