# Calaveras County Water District

Rate Workshop

July 12, 2023

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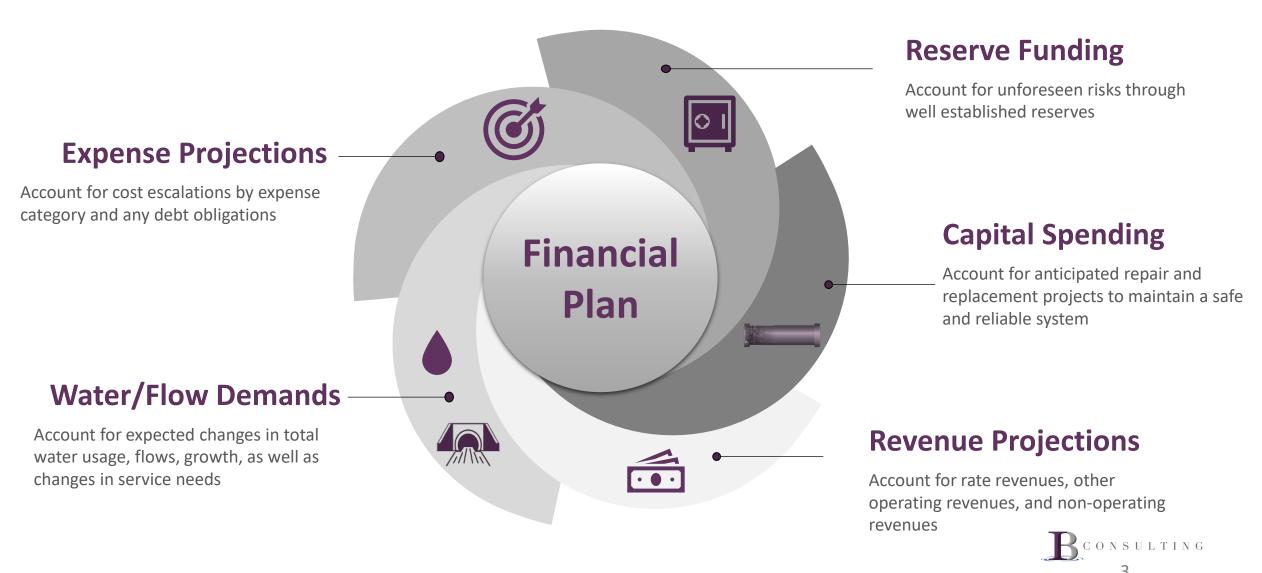


# Rate Workshop Agenda



## Financial Plan Summary

### **Factors Impacting the Financial Plan**



## Key Assumptions

### **Water and Wastewater**

#### Inflation

FY 2024 CPI set at 5.6% Capital set at 7.2%



### Capit

#### **Capital Spending**

Funding Depreciation Water - \$11M+/yr WW - \$7.1M+/yr



0% for Financial Plan Not relying on growth







#### **New Debt**

Water – \$16.5M WW – \$6M

### **Utility Demands**

3,739 AF in Sales 5,446 EDUs





#### Reserves

Maintain / Satisfy
Reserve Requirements

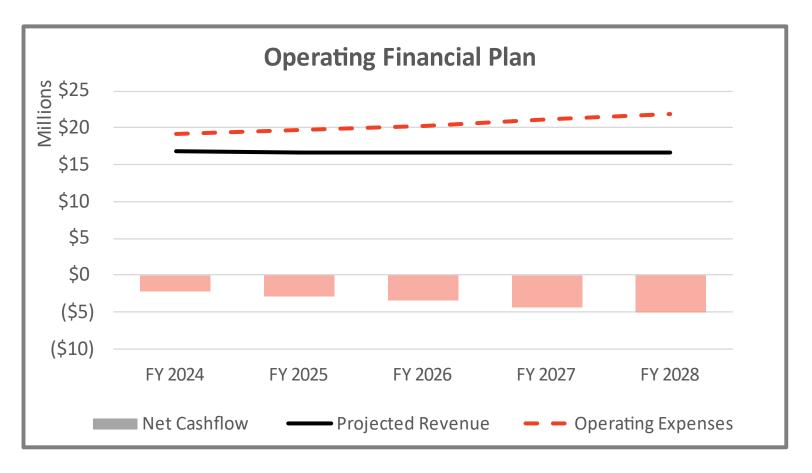
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**Long-Term Financial Plan** 



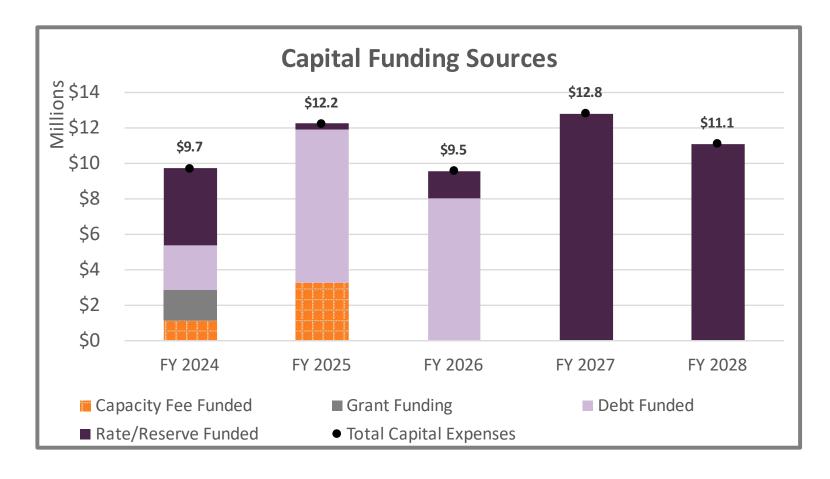
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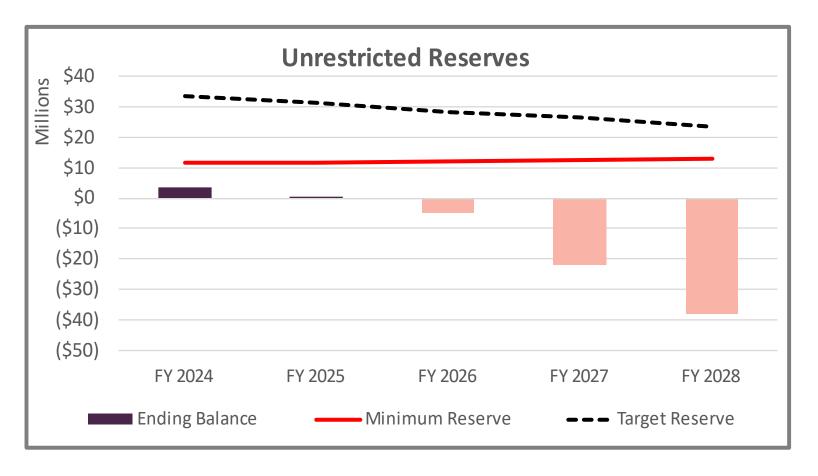
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    - ❖ Rate Stabilization Reserve = 10% of operating revenues
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    - ❖ Total Minimum Requirement = \$11.7M
  - Replenish and maintain healthy reserves

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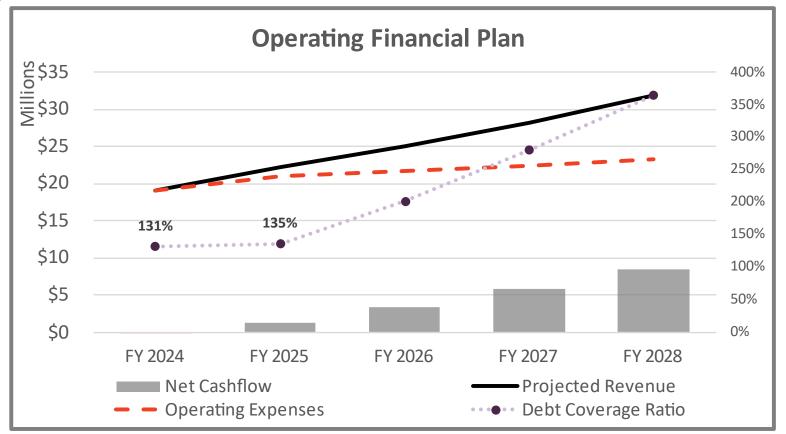
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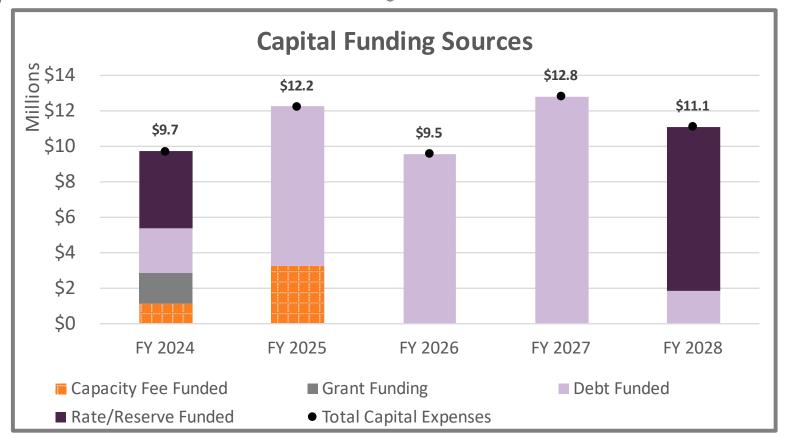
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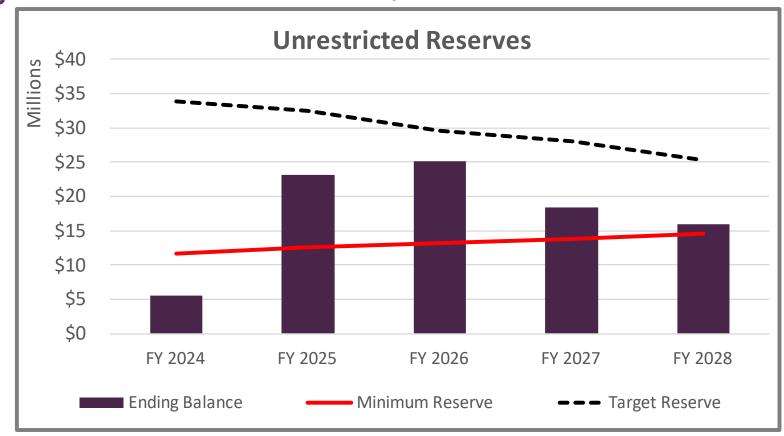
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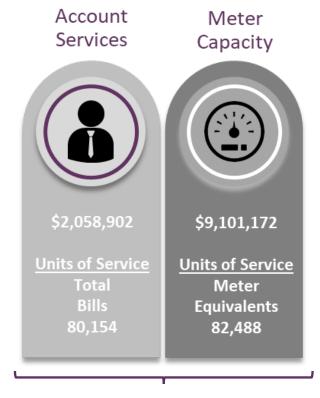


Water Revenue Requirements

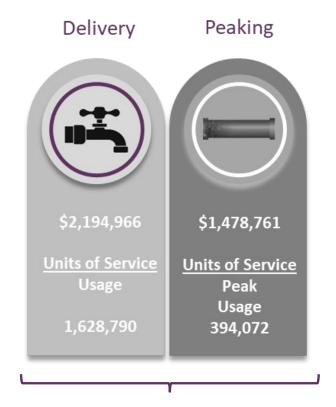
	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Revenue Requirements	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total
Operating Expenses					
Non-Departmental (50)	\$1,069,000	\$1,118,000	\$1,169,000	\$1,223,000	\$1,279,000
Utility Services (54)	\$8,290,000	\$8,624,000	\$8,999,000	\$9,443,000	\$9,855,000
Utility Services (54) - Power & Chemicals	\$1,978,000	\$2,077,000	\$2,180,000	\$2,289,000	\$2,404,000
General Management (56)	\$1,008,000	\$1,055,000	\$1,103,000	\$1,155,000	\$1,208,000
Board of Directors (57)	\$134,000	\$143,000	\$148,000	\$153,000	\$158,000
Engineering/Technical Services (58)	\$1,223,000	\$1,279,000	\$1,338,000	\$1,399,000	\$1,463,000
Administrative Services (59)	\$1,551,000	\$1,482,000	\$1,548,000	\$1,616,000	\$1,688,000
Water Resources (60)	\$1,713,000	\$1,781,000	\$1,851,000	\$1,925,000	\$2,002,000
Total Operating Expenses	\$16,966,000	\$17,559,000	\$18,336,000	\$19,203,000	\$20,057,000
Debt Service					
Series 2016 Water Revenue Bonds	\$101,144	\$101,134	\$101,099	\$101,138	\$101,051
Series 2019 Taxable Revenue Refunding Loan	\$322,031	\$314,513	\$306,994	\$298,806	\$290,640
Series 2021 Water Revenue COP	\$172,703	\$173,145	\$172,553	\$172,943	\$173,298
2022 Water CIP Loan	\$1,316,542	\$1,317,227	\$1,317,236	\$1,316,569	\$1,317,226
2020 VacCon Loan (VacCon Truck #1)	\$91,306	\$22,826	\$0	\$0	\$0
2020 VacCon Loan (VacCon Truck #2)	\$90,472	\$90,479	\$45,236	\$0	\$0
SEWD (New Hogan)	\$55,751	\$55,752	\$0	\$0	\$0
New/Proposed Debt	\$0	\$1,351,023	\$1,351,023	\$1,351,023	\$1,351,023
Total Debt Service	\$2,149,949	\$3,426,099	\$3,294,141	\$3,240,479	\$3,233,238
Other Funding					
Revenue Offsets					
Operating Revenues	(\$383,000)	(\$383,000)	(\$383,000)	(\$383,000)	(\$383,000)
Other Revenues	(\$4,329,000)	(\$4,293,000)	(\$4,301,000)	(\$4,330,000)	(\$4,351,000)
Subtotal Revenue Offsets	(\$4,712,000)	(\$4,676,000)	(\$4,684,000)	(\$4,713,000)	(\$4,734,000)
Adjustments					
Reserve Funding	(\$15,949)	\$1,192,901	\$3,355,859	\$5,819,521	\$8,525,762
Adjustment for Mid-Year Increase	\$445,800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal Adjustments	\$429,851	\$1,192,901	\$3,355,859	\$5,819,521	\$8,525,762
Total Other Funding	(\$4,282,149.00)	(\$3,483,099)	(\$1,328,141)	\$1,106,521	\$3,791,762
Revenue Requirement from Rates	\$14,833,800	\$17,502,000	\$20,302,000	\$23,550,000	\$27,082,000

## FY 2024 Cost-of-Service: Rate Components

### **Fixed and Variable**



Fixed Components 75%



Variable Components 25%

## FY 2024 Proposed Fixed Charges

### **Bi-Monthly Fixed Charge Components**

Meter Size	Capacity Ratio	Meters	Account Services	Meter Capacity	FY 2024 Proposed Bi-Monthly Base Fixed Charge
5/8"	1.00	13,231	\$25.69	\$110.34	\$136.03
3/4"	1.50	3	\$25.69	\$165.51	\$191.20
1"	2.50	79	\$25.69	\$275.85	\$301.54
1 1/2"	5.00	23	\$25.69	\$551.70	\$577.39
2"	8.00	21	\$25.69	\$882.72	\$908.41
3"	16.00	2	\$25.69	\$1,765.44	\$1,791.13

# Proposed Five-Year Fixed Charge Schedule FY 2024 – FY 2028

Base Fixed N	leter Charges (	(\$/Bi-Month)					
Meter Size	Number of Accounts	Current Fixed	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
5/8"	13,231	\$120.35	\$136.03	\$160.52	\$186.21	\$216.01	\$248.42
3/4"	3	\$180.53	\$191.20	\$225.62	\$261.72	\$303.60	\$349.14
1"	79	\$300.89	\$301.54	\$355.82	\$412.76	\$478.81	\$550.64
1 1/2"	23	\$601.77	\$577.39	\$681.33	\$790.35	\$916.81	\$1,054.34
2"	21	\$962.83	\$908.41	\$1,071.93	\$1,243.44	\$1,442.40	\$1,658.76
3"	2	\$1,925.66	\$1,791.13	\$2,113.54	\$2,451.71	\$2,843.99	\$3,270.59

## FY 2024 Proposed Variable Rates

### **Variable Rate Components**

Customer Class & Tier	Tier Definitions (HCF)	Delivery	Peaking	FY 2024 Proposed Variable Rate
Residential				
Tier 1	0 - 15	\$1.35	\$0.72	\$2.07
Tier 2	16 - 30	\$1.35	\$0.90	\$2.25
Tier 3	>30	\$1.35	\$1.14	\$2.49
Non-Residential	Uniform	\$1.35	\$0.94	\$2.29
Irrigation	Uniform	\$1.35	\$0.92	\$2.27

<sup>\*1</sup> HCF = 748.05 gallons

#### Basis for Tier Allotments:

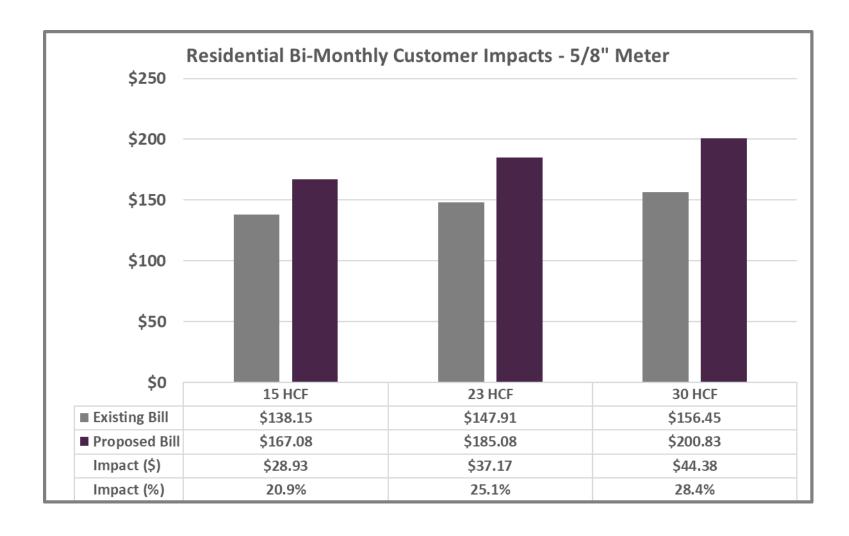
- ➤ Tier 1 = Winter Average
- ➤ Tier 2 = Summer Average
- > Tier 3 captures all usage in excess of the summer average
- > Tier 4 eliminated

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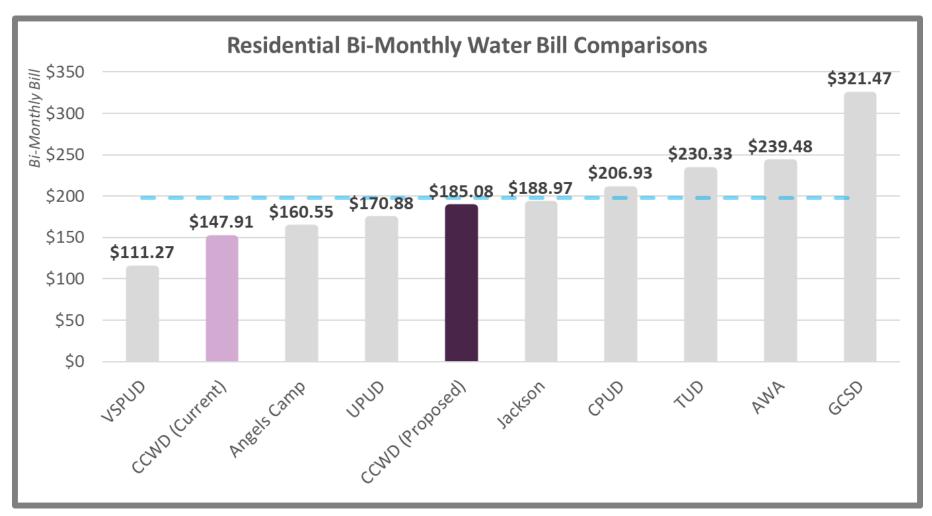
Variable Rates (\$/HCF)									
Customer	Current	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028			
Residential									
Tier 1	\$1.17	\$2.07	\$2.45	\$2.85	\$3.31	\$3.81			
Tier 2	\$1.22	\$2.25	\$2.66	\$3.09	\$3.59	\$4.13			
Tier 3	\$1.68	\$2.49	\$2.94	\$3.42	\$3.97	\$4.57			
Tier 4	\$1.90	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Non-Residential	\$1.57	\$2.29	\$2.71	\$3.15	\$3.66	\$4.21			
Irrigation	\$1.91	\$2.27	\$2.68	\$3.11	\$3.61	\$4.16			

## Customer Impacts

### Single-Family Residential with 5/8" Meter at 15 HCF, 23 HCF, and 30 HCF



# Water Rate Survey — Bi-Monthly Comparison Single-Family Residential with 5/8" Meter at 23 HCF



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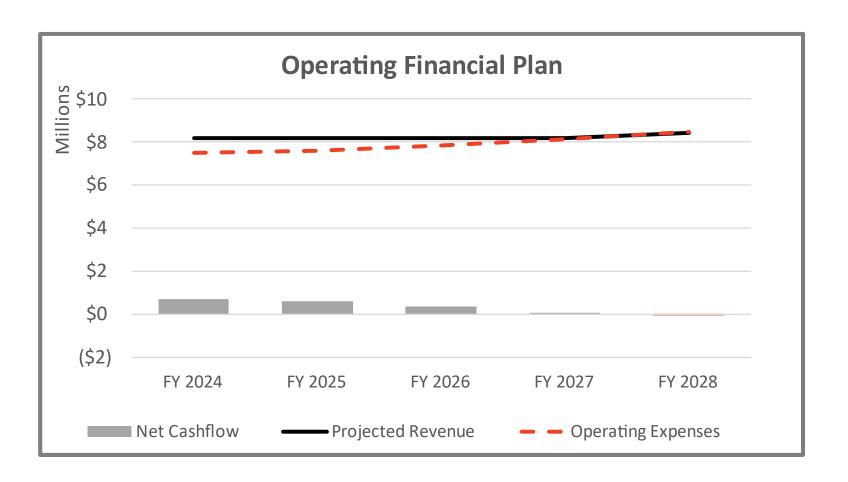
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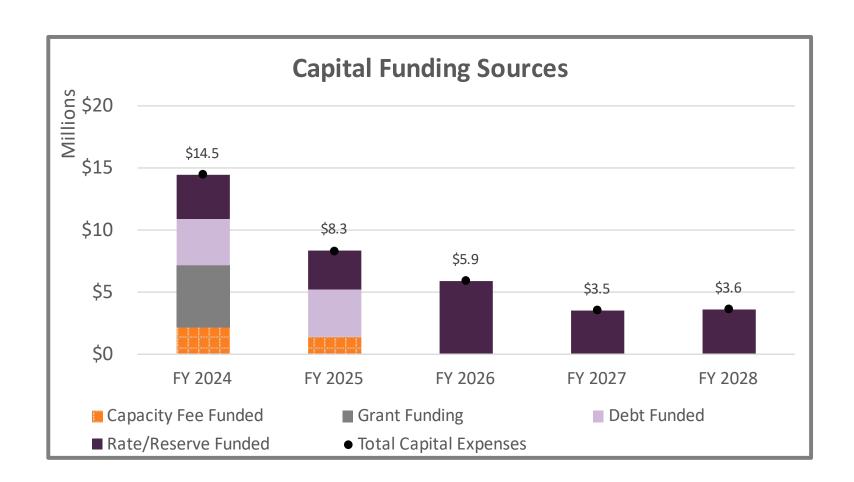
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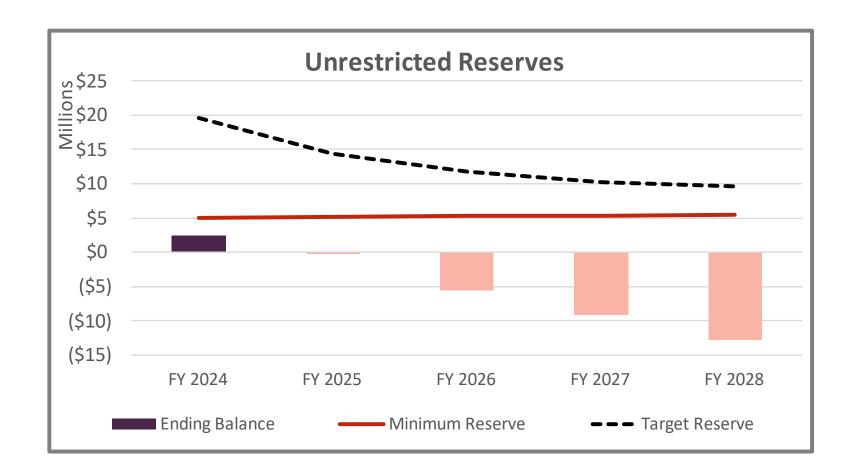
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  - Total FY 2024 minimum = \$5.15M
- > At existing rates, reserves would be used to cover capital expenses
  - Not sustainable long-term
  - Reserves already below minimum requirements
  - Reserves depleted in FY 2025

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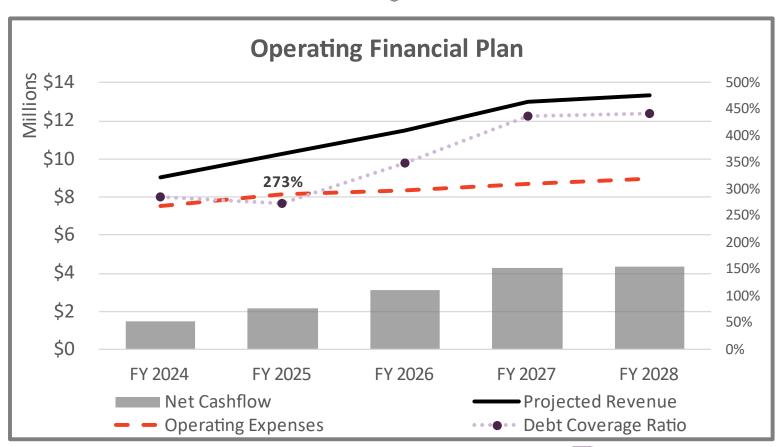
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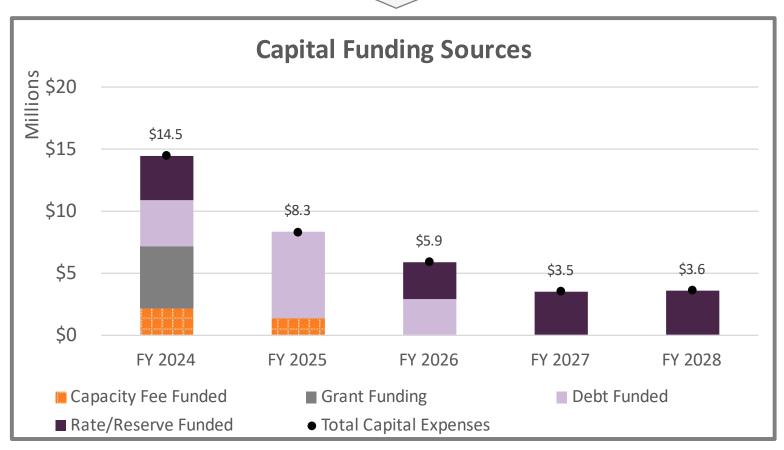
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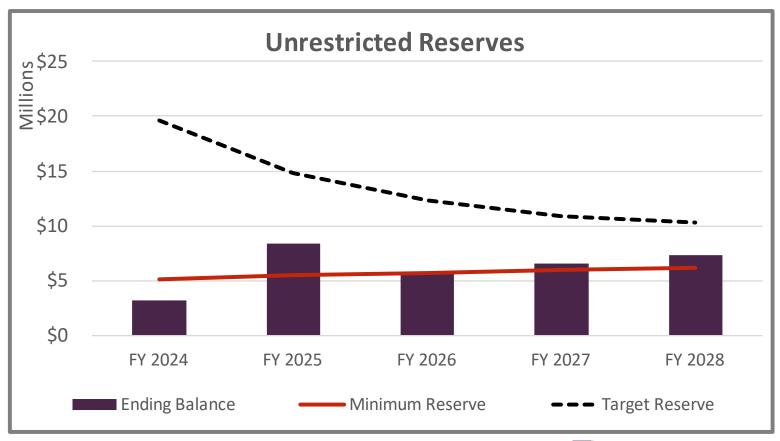
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Operating Expenses					
Non-Departmental (50)	\$396,000	\$414,000	\$433,000	\$453,000	\$473,000
Utility Services (54)	\$3,895,000	\$3,932,000	\$4,105,000	\$4,306,000	\$4,496,000
General Management (56)	\$360,000	\$377,000	\$395,000	\$413,000	\$432,000
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Administrative Services (59)	\$574,000	\$562,000	\$587,000	\$613,000	\$640,000
Water Resources (60)	\$424,000	\$441,000	\$459,000	\$478,000	\$498,000
Treatment	\$378,000	\$395,000	\$413,000	\$431,000	\$450,000
Total Operating Expenses	\$6,531,000	\$6,647,000	\$6,942,000	\$7,269,000	\$7,589,000
Debt Service					
Series 2019 Taxable Revenue Refunding Loan (Umpqua UAL)	\$158,612	\$154,909	\$151,206	\$147,173	\$143,151
2022 Sewer CIP Loan	\$753,168	\$752,920	\$753,256	\$753,144	\$753,584
2020 VacCon Loan (VacCon Truck #1)	\$33,771	\$8,443	\$0	\$0	\$0
2020 VacCon Loan (VacCon Truck #2)	\$33,462	\$33,465	\$16,731	\$0	\$0
SEWD (New Hogan)	\$20,620	\$20,621	\$0	\$0	\$0
New/Proposed Debt	\$0	\$501,694	\$501,694	\$501,694	\$501,694
Total Debt Service	\$999,634	\$1,472,051	\$1,422,887	\$1,402,011	\$1,398,429
Other Funding					
Revenue Offsets					
Operating Revenues	(\$134,000)	(\$134,000)	(\$134,000)	(\$134,000)	(\$134,000)
Other Revenues	(\$1,214,000)	(\$1,214,000)	(\$1,217,000)	(\$1,239,000)	(\$1,246,000)
Subtotal Revenue Offsets	(\$1,348,000)	(\$1,348,000)	(\$1,351,000)	(\$1,373,000)	(\$1,380,000)
Adjustments					
Reserve Funding	\$1,479,366	\$2,145,949	\$3,151,113	\$4,289,989	\$4,327,571
Adjustment for Mid-Year Increase	\$160,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal Adjustments	\$1,639,366	\$2,145,949	\$3,151,113	\$4,289,989	\$4,327,571
Revenue Requirement from Rates	\$7,822,000	\$8,917,000	\$10,165,000	\$11,588,000	\$11,935,000

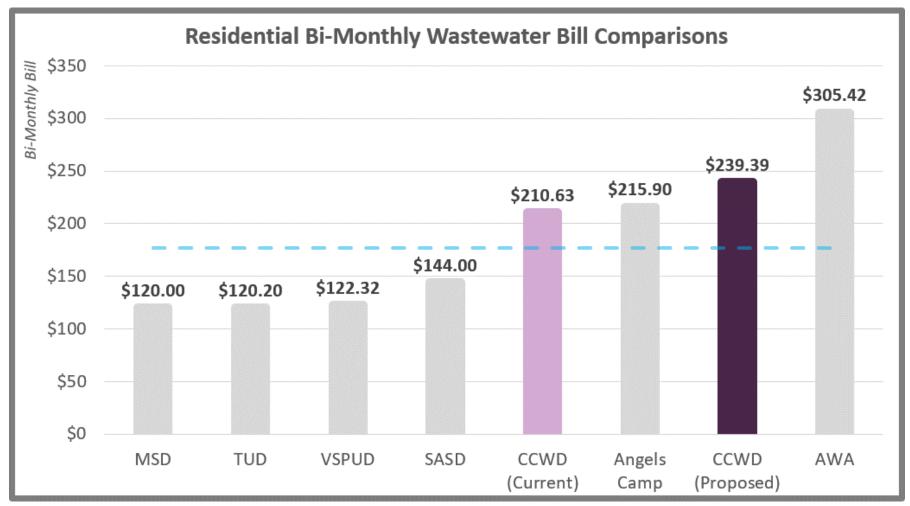
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Total Fixed Charges (\$/Bi-Month/EDU)									
Customer Class	<b>EDUs</b>	Current	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028		
Residential	4,711	\$210.63	\$239.39	\$272.90	\$311.09	\$354.64	\$365.26		
Non-Residential	735	\$206.18	\$239.39	\$272.90	\$311.09	\$354.64	\$365.26		

\*EDU = Equivalent Dwelling Unit

The charge per EDU should be the same. Commercial accounts are assigned more EDUs based on their type of use.

# Wastewater Rate Survey — Bi-Monthly Comparison Single-Family Residential (1 EDU)



# Next Steps Upcoming Tasks

- ➤ July 12<sup>th</sup>: Rate Workshop
- ➤ July 13<sup>th</sup> July 24<sup>th</sup>: Draft Report
- ➤ July 24<sup>th</sup>: Mail Prop. 218 Notice
- ➤ Sept 13<sup>th</sup>: Public Hearing
- ➤ Oct 16<sup>th</sup>: Implementation date of proposed rates

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