CENTRAL COAST BLUE UPDATE PRESENTATION – OCEANO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

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### **Presentation Overview**

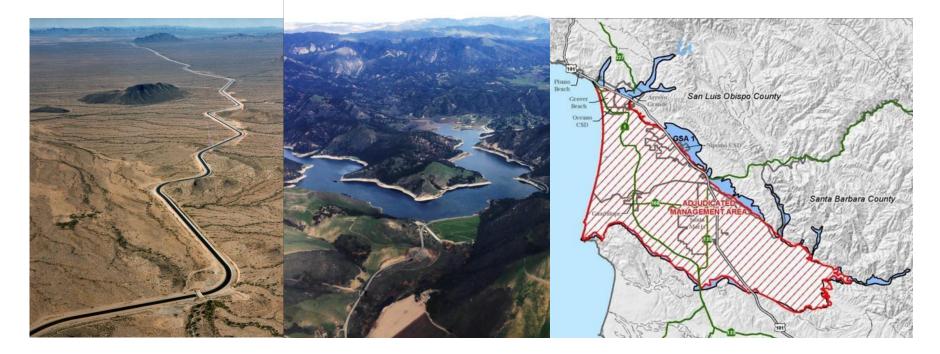
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## WHY CENTRAL COAST BLUE?

Recent historic drought highlights vulnerabilities in Five Cities Region's water supply portfolio

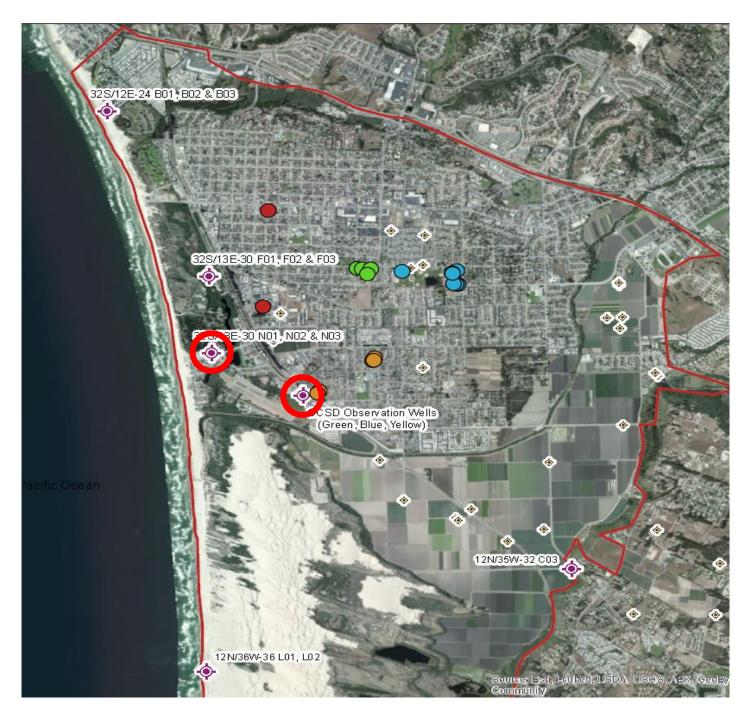
#### State Water | | Lake Lopez | | Groundwater



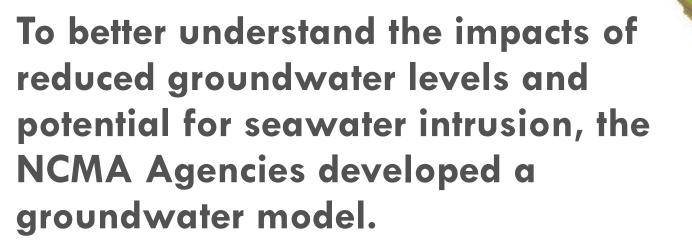




- Historically local groundwater supplies have been threatened by seawater intrusion.
- The 1970 DWR Report identified potential seawater intrusion into the NCMA portion of the Santa Maria Groundwater Basin.
- In 2009, evidence of an onshore flow of seawater was detected in two monitoring wells.

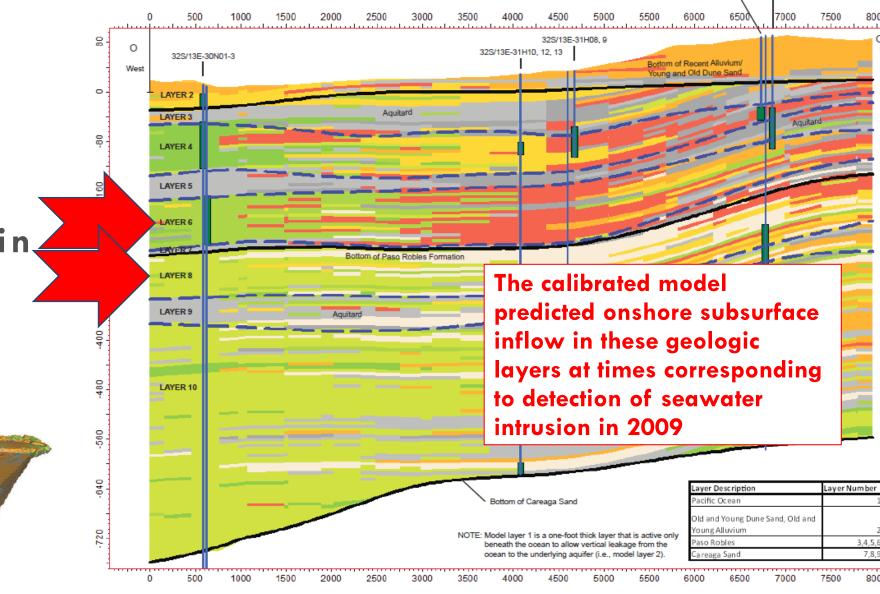








The groundwater model identified pathways for seawater intrusion in the lower Paso Robles and upper Careaga formations



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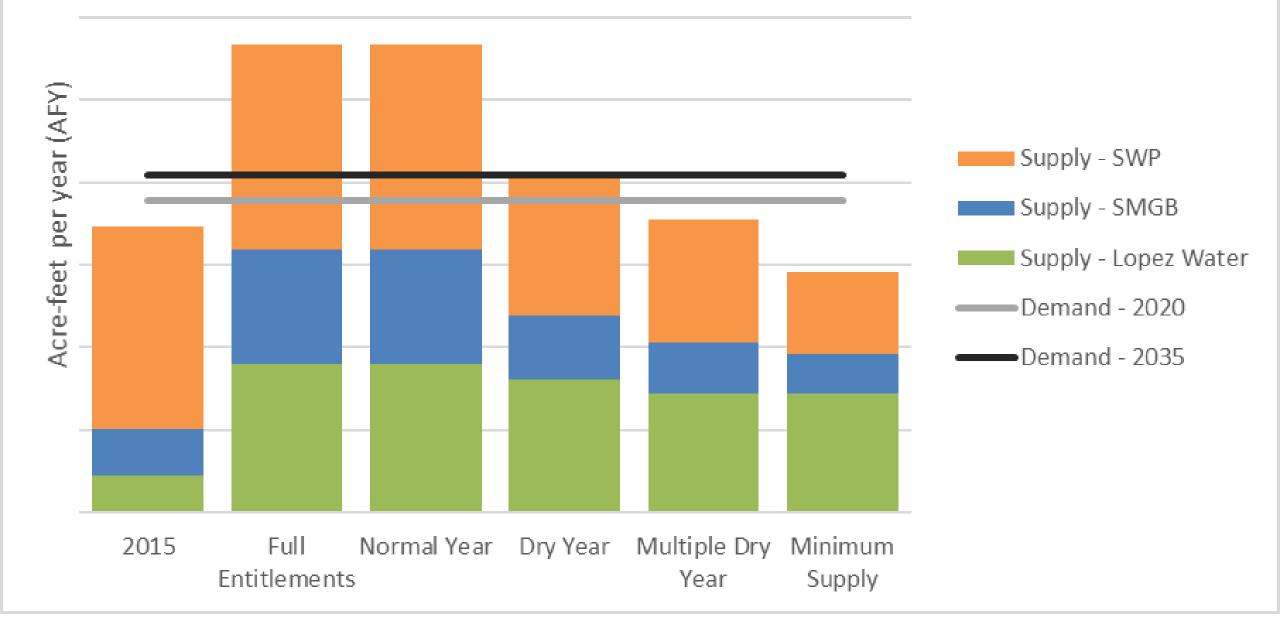
#### Groundwater Model Findings

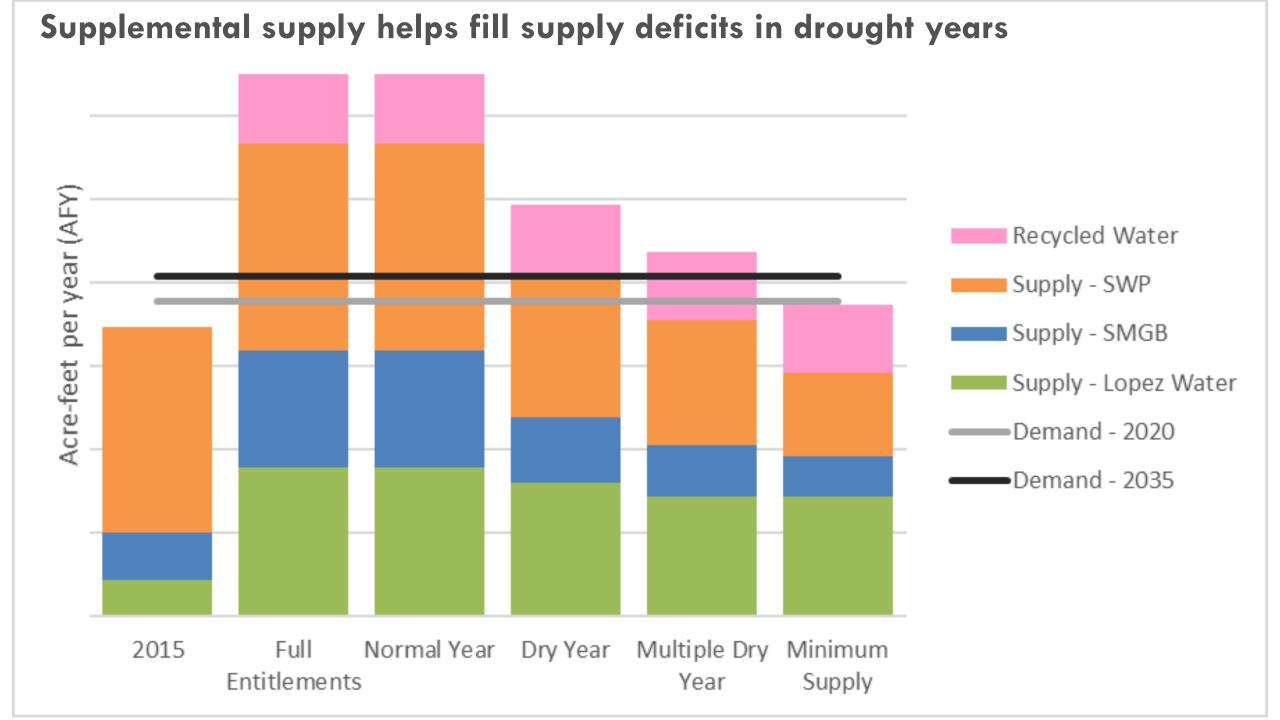
During periods of extended drought, the ability of the NCMA agencies to pump their full allotment of groundwater, while maintaining sufficient groundwater depth to maintain offshore flow, is limited. As a result, a Water Supply/Demand Evaluation Tool was developed to analyze need for improved water supply reliability.

Supply/Demand Analysis Tool incorporated the following:

- Drought impacts on State Water, Lopez and Groundwater Supplies
- Potential demand reductions (conservation) associated with future drought conditions
- Potential increased demand from future growth

## Supply/Demand Evaluation identified potential for water supply deficits during periods of extended drought



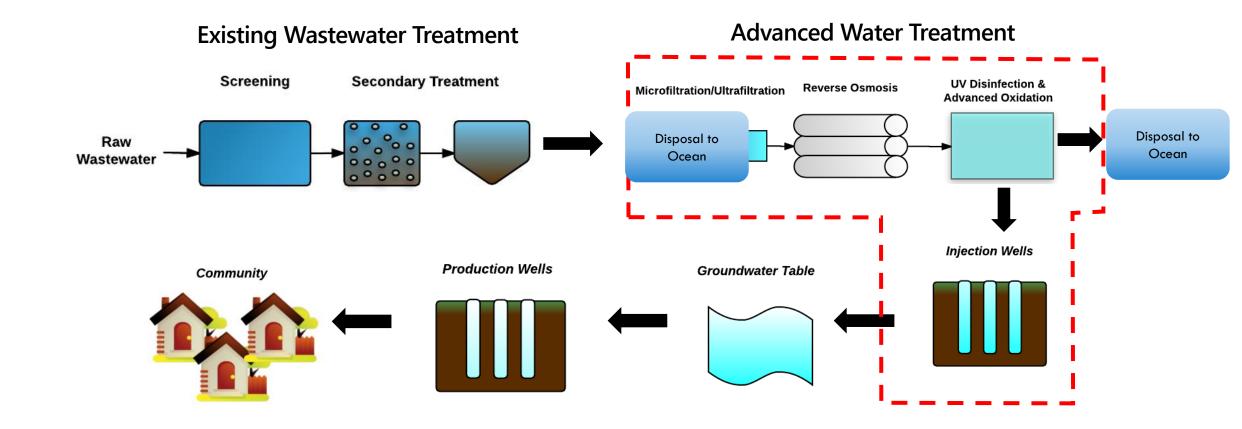


Supplemental Water Supply Studies identified recycled water as the preferred alternative

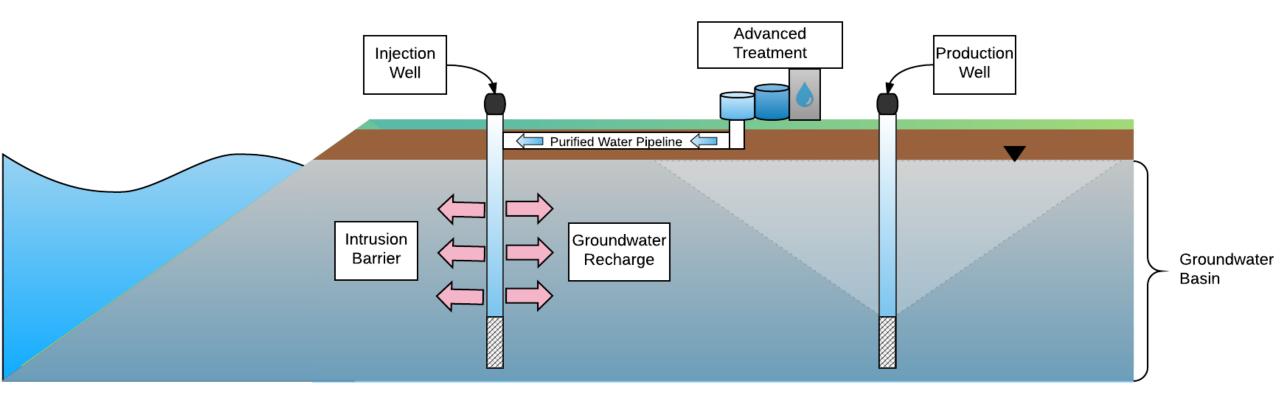
Alternative	Secondary -23 Irrigation	Tertiary Irrigation	AWT for Coastal Injection	AWT for Inland Injection	Desal	Lopez Lake Spillway Raise	State Water Project
Annualized Cost (\$/AF Recoverable)	\$15,900	\$5,400	\$2,800	\$2,800	\$3,112	\$1,370	\$2,503

Central Coast Blue will capture a water source that is currently wasted to the ocean to protect the groundwater basin and improve water supply reliability





Central Coast Blue will utilize recycled water injection to maintain sufficient groundwater elevations and offshore flow



Central Coast Blue is able to leverage existing infrastructure connecting the Pismo Beach and SSLOCSD's WWTPs to collect water from both facilities





## Central Coast Blue is a regional project envisioned to be completed in 2 phases

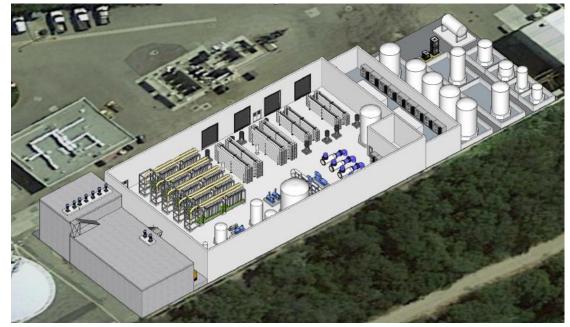


Phase 1 - Capture and treatment of water from Pismo Beach's WWTP

> Anticipated treatment capacity of 1.3 MGD

Phase 2 - Capture and treatment of water from SSLOCSD's WWTP

 Anticipated total treatment capacity of ~5 MGD







### **Central Coast Blue Injection Scenarios**

- Phase 1 Injection of approximately 1,100 AFY in 5 locations to protect groundwater supplies.
- Phase 2 Construction of 2 new wells and injection of approximately 3,000 – 4,000 AFY to further protect the groundwater basin or delivery of recycled water for agriculture irrigation.





#### The Supply/Demand analysis indicates that Phase 1 is expected to be able to protect existing water supplies during extended drought.



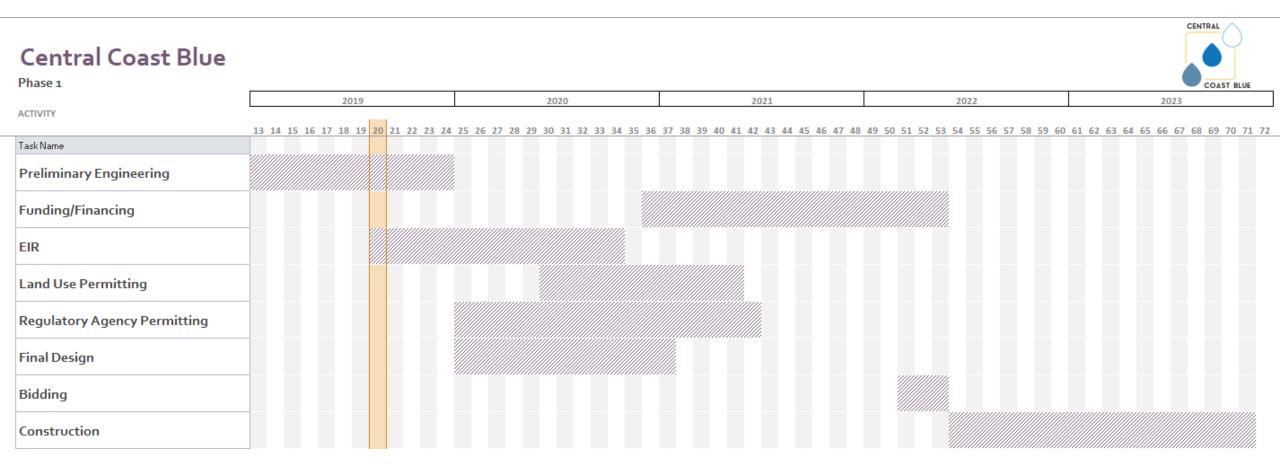
Implementation of Phase 2 may not be needed to address nearterm water supply shortages. Phase 2 implementation will likely depend upon a number of factors:

- Climate change impacts on local and statewide hydrology
  - Resilience of other water supply sources (i.e. Lopez and State Water)
  - Agricultural interest in supplemental water
  - Ability to transfer/sell surplus water to other water purveyors when available
- Effectiveness of Phase 1 at maintaining sufficient groundwater elevations
- Future water demand for the participating and/or neighboring agencies

# CENTRAL COAST BLUE PROJECT UPDATE



### Central Coast Blue is currently in the preliminary engineering phase prior to releasing the EIR for public comment





#### Advanced Treatment Facility Siting

- Project team is evaluating both onsite (SSLOCSD) and offsite alternatives for the Advanced Water Treatment Facility
- Both alternatives will be evaluated as co-equal alternatives in the EIR
- Pismo Beach has entered into a purchase agreement to secure the offsite alternative location.





# Brine Analysis completed to assist with project design and permitting

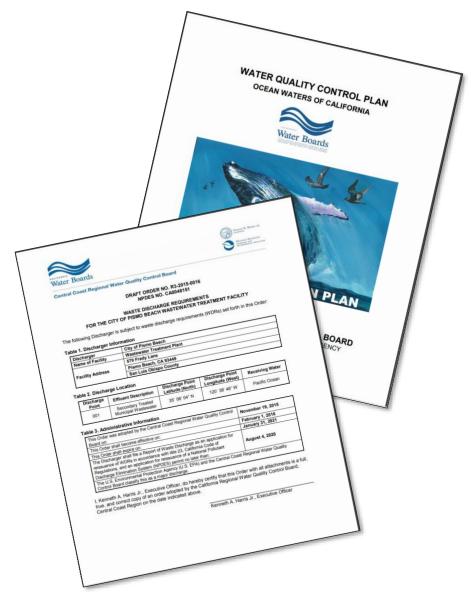
Purpose

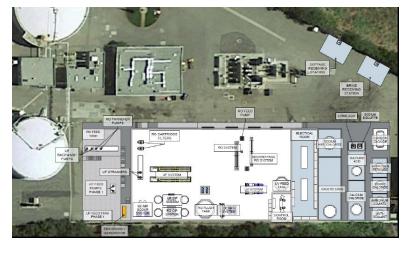
• Will RO concentrate discharged from the AWPF to the Pacific Ocean exceed effluent limits

Most stringent criteria used

- City's NPDES permit
- Ocean Plan Water Quality Objective-based effluent limits

Results identified that pilot plant effluent can meet current permit and Ocean Plan discharge requirements without need for SSLOCSD dilution





Updated cost estimates represent the best available estimates for the onsite (SSLOCSD) Advanced Water Purification Facility alternative.

- These costs will likely change as the project evolves and therefore a range of costs are presented
- Estimated accuracy range of -20% to +30% based on best available information of actual costs from similar projects

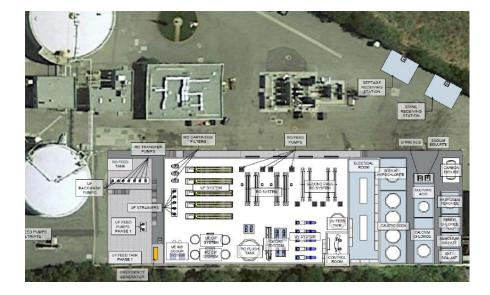
# Updated Project Cost Estimates developed to inform funding/financing evaluations

Phase 1 Onsite	Cost Estimate		
Treatment Facility	\$17 - 31M		
Distributed Infrastructure	\$11 - 19M		
Total Capital	\$28 – 50M		
Annual Capital Payment	\$1.8 - 3.2M		
Annual O&M Cost	\$1.8 - 2.3M		
Total Annual Cost	\$3.6 - 5.5M		
Purified Water Produced	1,120		
Estimated Project Yield	1,120 – 1,613		
Unit Cost (\$/AFY)	\$2,300 - 4,900		

Note: These estimates are current but preliminary. Range of estimates are appropriate for preliminary engineering phase.



#### Updated Project Cost Estimates – Phase 2



Phase 2 Onsite	Cost Estimate		
Treatment Facility	\$33 <sup>1</sup> - 54M		
Distributed Infrastructure	\$16 - 25M		
Total Capital	\$49 – 79M		
Annual Capital Payment <sup>2</sup>	\$3.2 – 5.1M		
Annual O&M Cost <sup>3</sup>	\$6.0M		
Total Annual Cost	\$9.2 – 11.2M		
Purified Water Produced	4,392		
Estimated Project Yield	4,392		
Unit Cost (\$/AFY) <sup>4</sup>	\$2,100 - 2,500		

#### Assumptions:

<sup>1</sup>Cost estimate range developed using Association for the Advancement of Cost Engineering Cost Estimate Classification (-20% to +30%) and the Advanced Treatment Facility with Boron Removal.

<sup>2</sup>Assumes 5% financing over 30 years.

<sup>3</sup>Includes second pass RO for Boron removal.

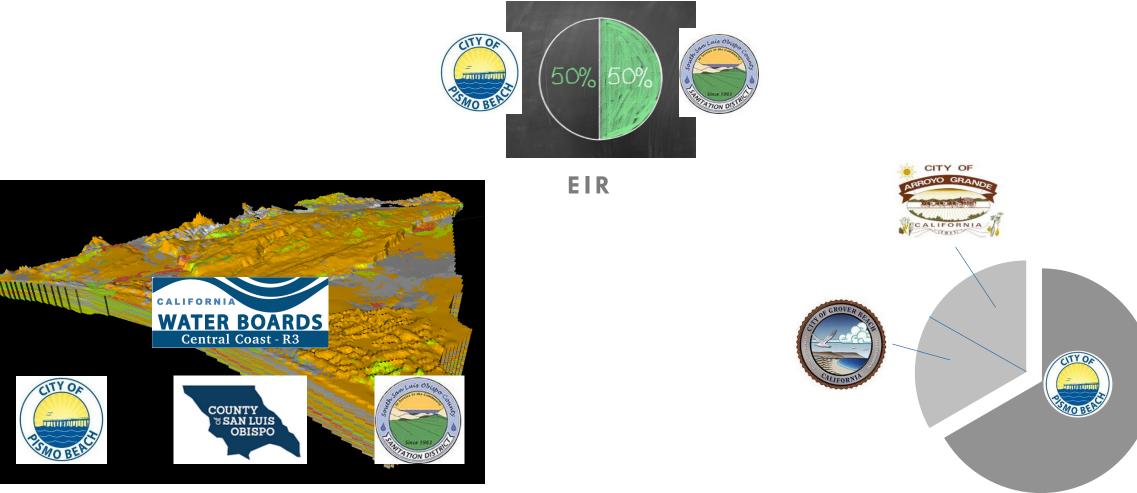
<sup>4</sup>Unit cost based on assumption of 100% recovery groundwater injected into the groundwater basin.

# COST/BENEFIT SHARING FRAMEWORK

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## Interagency collaboration has been key to project success to date



Groundwater Model

Preliminary Engineering



### **Funding Sources under Evaluation**



Costs split between water and wastewater agencies



Wastewater:

Wastewater Rates

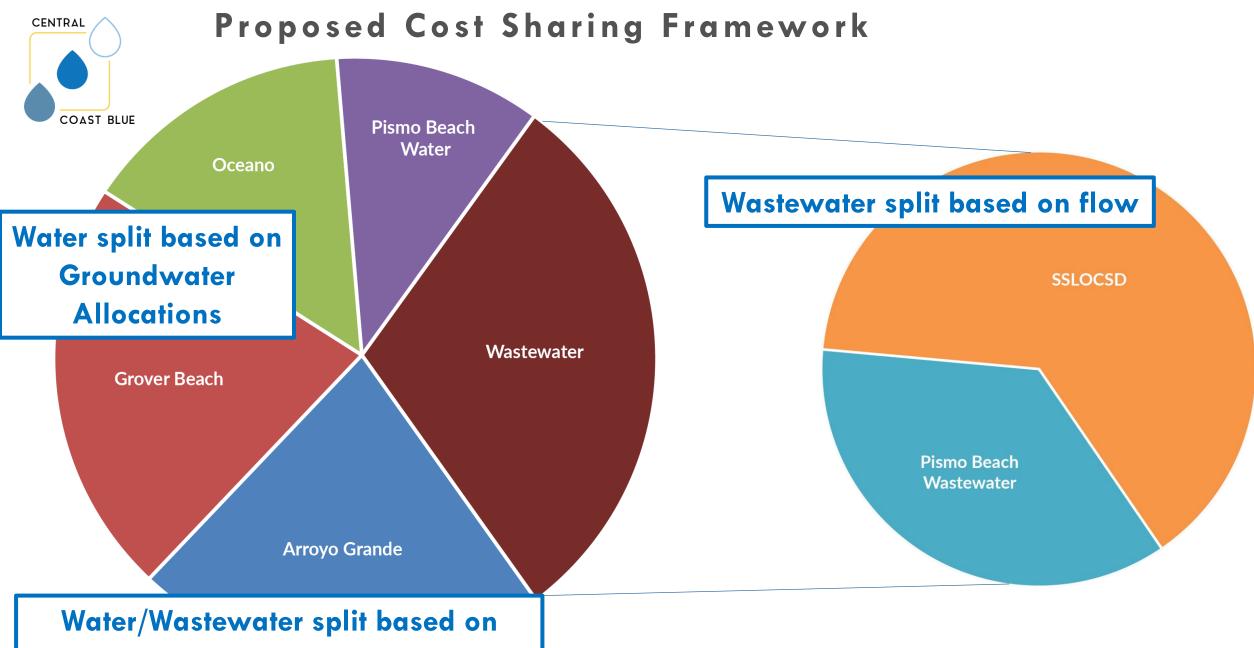
#### Water:

Water Rates



#### **Grant/ Low Interest Financing**

Prop 1 GWGP Title XVI CWSRF Outside funding pursued to reduce costs to water and wastewater customers.



benefit to Wastewater agencies



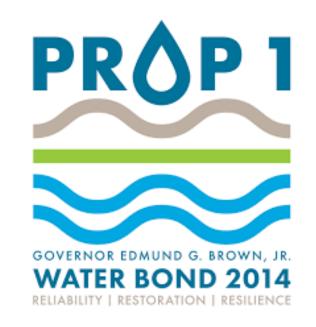
Prop 1 Groundwater Grant Program

Round 1 - Awarded \$2M in planning grant funding Round 3

- Central Coast Blue to apply for implementation funding in Round 3
- Eligible for up to 50% of implementation costs
- Key schedule driver as Funding Agencies want to see significant progress between planning and implementation grants

Title XVI

- Preliminary award of ~\$800k in planning grant funds
- Funds 25% of Final Design, Program Management, Value Engineering
- City eligible to apply for implementation funding in subsequent rounds





# NEXT STEPS/ONGOING INITIATIVES

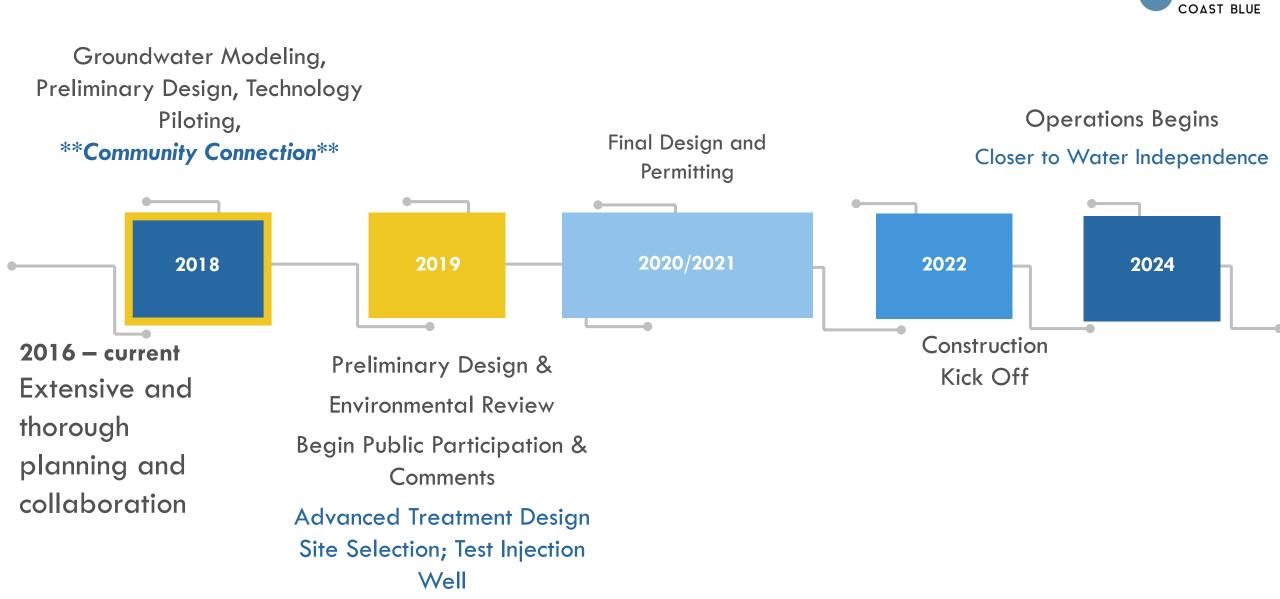


## Upcoming Critical Stakeholder Agency Decision Points

- Development of final project benefit participation and cost sharing agreements (this includes South San Luis Obispo County Sanitation District participation)
- Individual agency participation percentages in capital and operations and maintenance costs
- Development of a project governance structure
- Potential water and/or wastewater rate increases Proposition 218 hearings
- Mechanisms to reconcile costs paid to to-date relative to level of participation in the project

# PROJECT SCHEDULE

### Phase 1 Project Schedule



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