



# 2024 Retrospective

Board of Directors

December 16, 2024



# Brief Accounting of Accomplishments & Initiatives 2024

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## **Broken Into 4 major Categories:**

Operations & Agency Business

Agency Initiatives

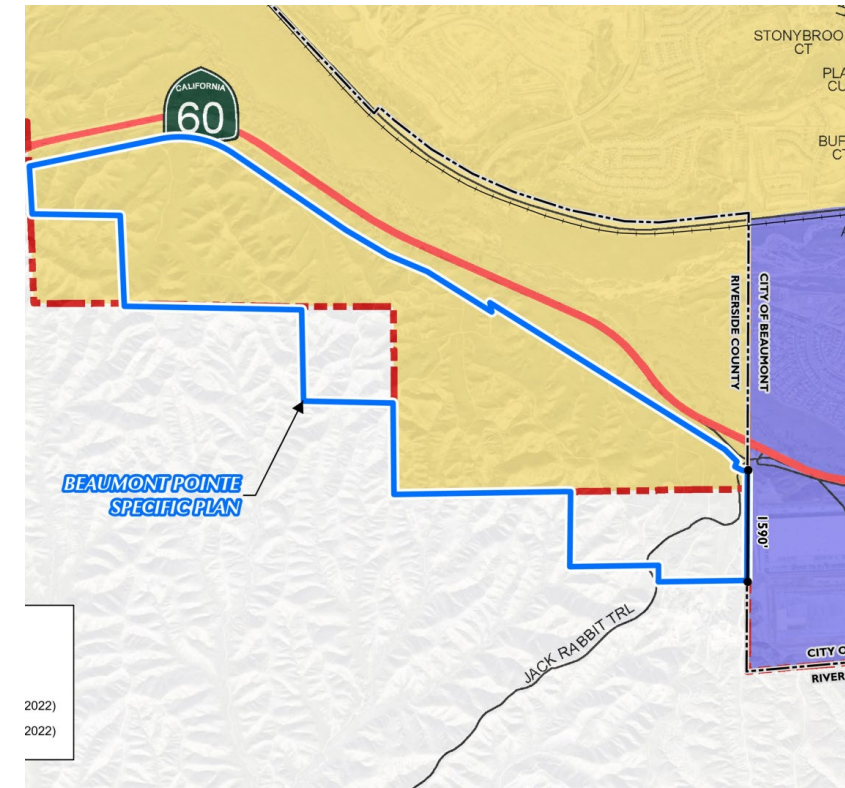
Local Engagement

Partnerships



## Operations & Agency Business

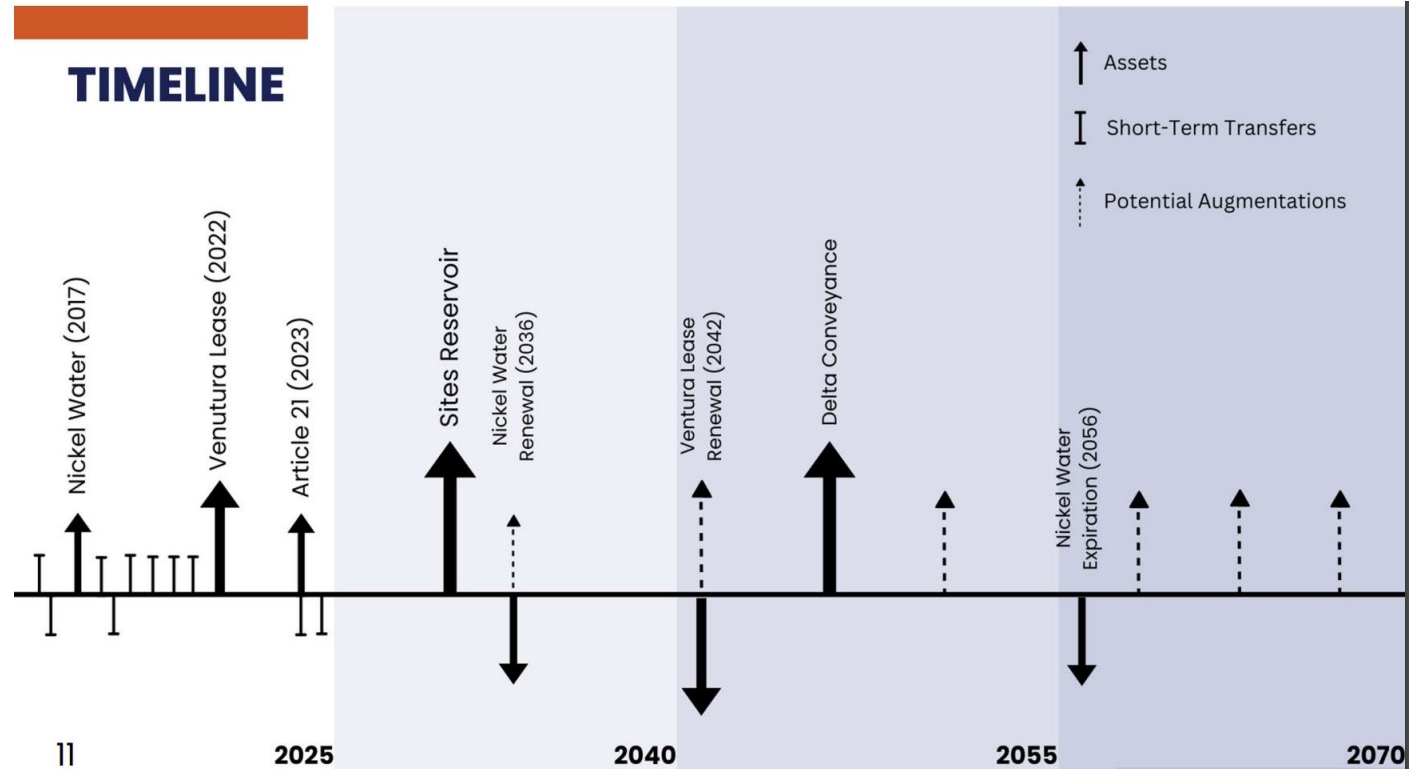
- New Budget format
- Over 18,000 AF recharged in 2024
- 6,000 AF Transferred (Westside)
- EarthCam installation
- Boundary expansion



# Operations & Agency Business



- New Board Member
- New Staff Member
- Public Agency Retirement Services
- Water Portfolio Strategic Program
- San Geronio Pass Foundation



# Review of Funds

*“The Bucket List”*

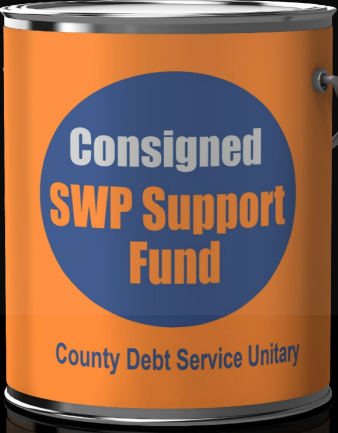
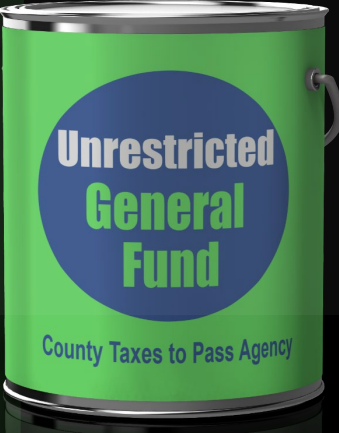
## Other Funds

Unrestricted  
Unitary Tax

## Debt Service

SGPWA Special Tax  
17.5 Cents/\$100 Assessed Value

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# Agency Initiatives

- Cloud seeding program (via SAWPA)
- PPIC talk
- ARPA Funding
  - County Line Recharge
  - Regional Heli-Hydrant Program
- Public information push
- Sites Reservoir

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**Water**

## Water leaders partner on new firefighting system

Remote water storage system frees up first responders by allowing helicopter crews to refill remotely, without the assistance of ground crews.

San Geronimo Pass Water Agency (SGPWA) will coordinate a Heli-Hydrant project alongside several local water districts to bolster firefighting efforts in a challenging fire-risk region.

Heli-Hydrants allow firefighting helicopters to refill water from strategically located water tanks. This life-saving investment enables firefighters to control blazes faster in catastrophic fire situations.

The San Geronimo Pass Area has a history of significant fires, sometimes resulting in tragic loss of life and disasters. Firefighting helicopters currently lack access to many nearby water sources. The Heli-Hydrants offer a vital solution, increasing water availability close to

support crews. This frees up firefighters to focus on the initial attack. Due to Fifth District Supervisor Yestian Gutierrez' leadership, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors approved \$1.8 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to install six Heli-Hydrant locations covering both sides of Interstate 10.

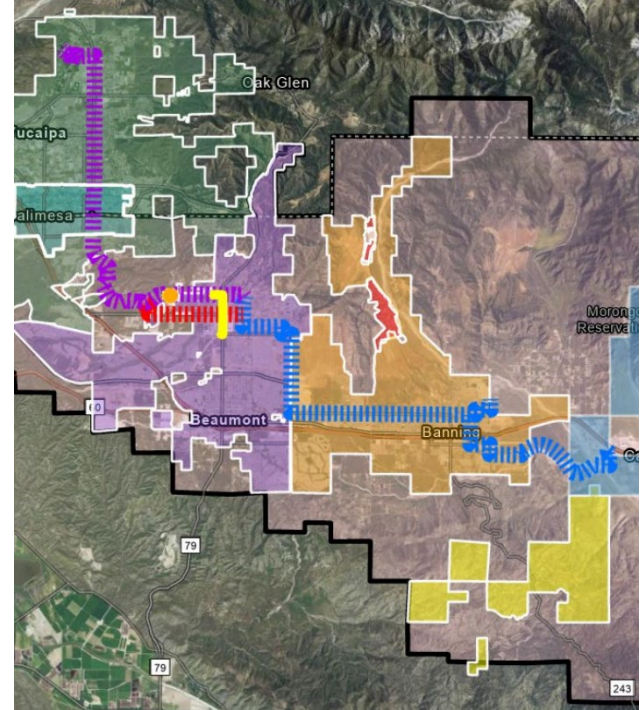
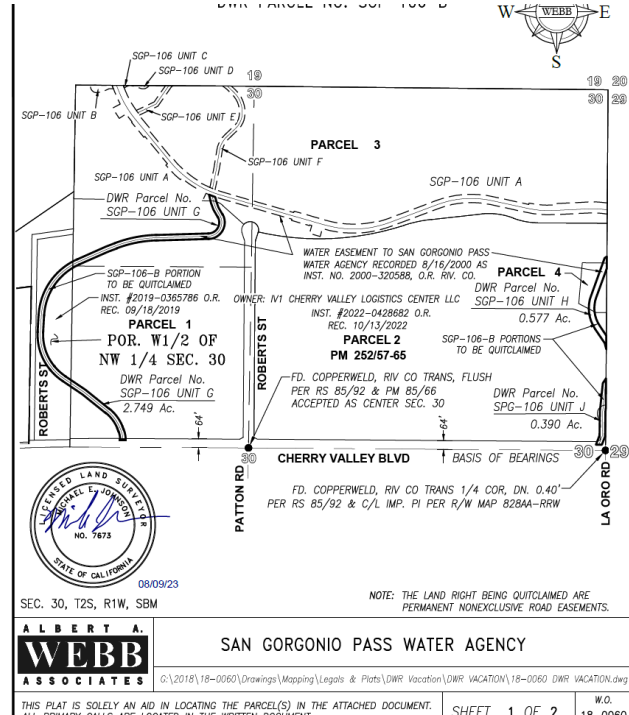
"In recent years, devastating wildfires have threatened the safety of our community," said Fifth District Riverside County Supervisor Yestian Gutierrez. "We have a responsibility to protect our residents and find innovative solutions to combat these growing threats. By collaborating with key agencies, we are enhancing our firefighting capabilities and ensuring our community's safety."

SGPWA will oversee the Heli-Hydrant endeavor, including funding administration and project delivery. SGPWA will partner with local water entities and the county's fire department, which approves specific loca-

**A Hydrant for Helicopters**

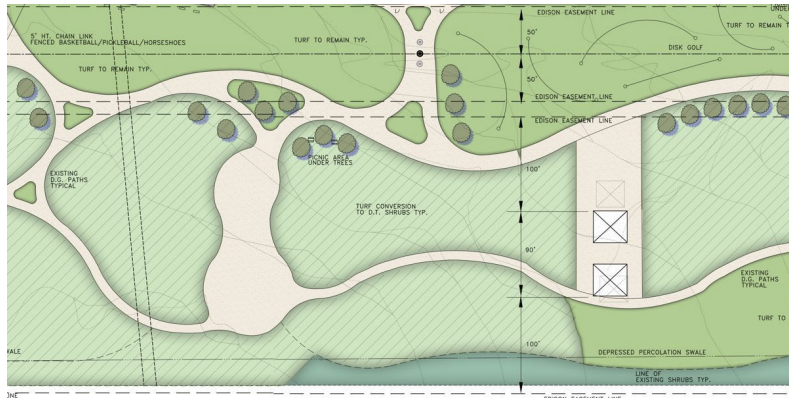
Image by Steve Whiting, courtesy of Whiting Fire Line Equipment

A Heli-Hydrant allows pilots of firefighting helicopters to remotely fill their helicopters with water from the local water district.



# Agency Initiatives

- Agency history project
- Easement clean-up
- Backbone Pipeline
- Mitigated Neg Dec County Line Recharge



# Local Engagement

- Inland Solar Challenge
- IERCD programs
- George Jorritsma Memorial
- Turf replacement grant
- Gap Funding





# Partnerships



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# Discussion

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