



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
PICO WATER DISTRICT**

4843 S. Church Street
Pico Rivera, California, 90660

5:30 PM Wednesday, March 16, 2022

AGENDA

Pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 54953(e), as amended by AB 361, any Board member and any member of the public who desires to participate in the open session items of this meeting may do so by accessing the Zoom link below to join by webcam or teleconference.

Any member of the public wishing to make any comments to the Board may do so through that Zoom link. The meeting Chair will acknowledge such individual(s) at the appropriate time in the meeting prior to making his or her comment. Members of the public wishing to make a comment are asked to state their name for the record and will be provided three (3) minutes to comment, the Board secretary will alert those commenting when they only have 30 seconds remaining. All members of the public will be disconnected from the Zoom link immediately before the Board of Directors adjourns into Closed Session.

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1. **ROLL CALL.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE.**
3. **INVOCATION.**

4. TIME RESERVED FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS.

*Members of the public shall be allowed three minutes to address the Board on any matter on the agenda and/or within the jurisdiction of the District, which is not on the Agenda. All comments should be addressed to the presiding officer of the meeting. Additional public comments shall be allowed when a listed agenda item is being considered, but such comments made at that time must be confined to the subject that is being discussed at the time such comments are made. Members of the public are asked to state their name for the record. Due to all Board Meetings being run as Zoom Meetings all participants will be placed on mute at the start of the meeting and when the meeting is open for public comment the participant will be asked to raise their hand through the button on the video conference screen if participating by video conference or by pressing *9 on their phone if participating by teleconference.*

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA.

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR.

(All matters on the Consent Calendar are to be approved on one motion, unless a Board Member requests a separate action on a specific item).

- A. Consider March 2, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
- B. Consider the accounts now due and payable, and receive and file bills approved by the General Manager.

7. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS.

- A. Consider Approval of Resolution 226-R a Resolution Readopting the District's Investment Policy. *Recommended action – that the Board approve Resolution 226-R.*
- B. Consider Approval of Resolution 227-R a Resolution Accepting Grant of Easement and Approving Quitclaim of Prior Easement. *Recommended action – that the Board approve Resolution 227-R.*

8. REPORTS.

- A. General Manager.
- B. Legal Counsel.

9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Production & Water Level Report.
- B. Monthly Activity Report.
- C. Reservoir Conditions – February 09, 2022 and March 10, 2022.
- D. Letters from the Public Water Agencies Group Regarding AB 2313 & AB 2449

10. DIRECTOR'S REQUEST OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

11. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS.

- A. Report on Meetings Attended/Comments.

12. CLOSED SESSION.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code
Section 54956.9.

One Case.

13. CLOSED SESSION REPORT.

14. ADJOURNMENT.

AGENDA POSTED ON: March 11, 2022

Next regularly scheduled meeting: April 6, 2022

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CONSENT ITEMS

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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE PICO WATER DISTRICT

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pico Water District was held in the District's Boardroom located at 4843 South Church Street, Pico Rivera, California, on Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at 5:33 p.m.

The District's Secretary/General Manager, Mr. Mark J. Grajeda proceeded with the roll call of the attending Board members. Present from the beginning of the meeting were President Pete Ramirez and General Manager participated in person; Director Robert Martinez, Director David Gonzales, Director Victor Caballero and Vice President Raymond Rodriguez participated telephonically; and Mr. Jim Ciampa, Legal Counsel for the District participated electronically via Zoom.

Director Martinez led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice President Rodriguez gave the invocation.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Public Comments. There were none.

President Ramirez proceeded to the adoption of the Agenda. Director Gonzales made the motion to approve the agenda and Vice President Rodriguez seconded the motion. The General Manager announced the motion passed by a roll-call vote, 5 – 0.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, approval of Consent Calendar. Director Caballero made the motion to approve and Director Gonzales seconded the motion. The General Manager announced the motion passed by roll-call vote, 5 – 0.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, consider Approval of Resolution 225-R Proclaiming a State of Emergency Persists, Re-ratifying the Proclamation of a State of Emergency by Governor Gavin Newsom, and Authorizing Continued Remote Teleconference Meetings. Director Martinez made the motion to approve and Vice President Rodriguez seconded the motion. The General Manager announced that the motion passed by roll-call vote, 5 – 0.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, consider Change Order request by AKM Consulting Engineers (AKM) for additional design and grant work needed. The General Manager reviewed with the Board the background regarding work performed by AKM for design of the PFAS treatment plants at wells 5A, 8 and 11. Prior to contracting with AKM, the District had begun the application process with the Water Replenishment District (WRD) for PFAS grant funding. As the process progressed WRD required additional information and AKM assisted in preparing the documentation required. The proposal from AKM includes a breakdown of the additional work performed along with a cost breakdown in the amount of \$27,598. After a brief discussion Director Gonzales made the motion to approve and Vice President Rodriguez seconded the motion. The General Manager announced that the motion passed by roll call vote, 4 – 1 – 0 with Director Martinez voting “no”.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, consider proposal from AKM for project management, construction management and inspection services for PFAS treatment facilities at wells 5A, 8 and 11. The General Manager reviewed with the Board that the agreement with WRD requires that a registered professional engineer be tasked with management of the PFAS remediation project in order to be eligible for funding. Both the District staff report and the proposal from AKM include a breakdown of those costs in the amount of \$140,715. Vice President Rodriguez made the motion to approve and Director Caballero seconded the motion. The General Manager announced the motion passed by roll call vote 5 – 0.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, General Manager Report. The General Manager announced that the Board was provided a copy of the revised job flyer for the position of District General Manager and that if they had any questions or changes to please call him; the District received information today that the City of Pico Rivera (City) will present their Street Cut Moratorium Ordinance to the City Council on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 – this Ordinance will make any work the District might have in the street very difficult and expensive – a brief discussion followed;

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Legal Counsel Report. Legal Counsel reported that the Board will need to schedule the 2 hour AB 1234 Ethics training possibly the last week of March or first two weeks of April; over 2,000 bills were introduced in the legislature this year, SB 1124 introduced by Senator Archuleta establishes a separate fund for Central Basin water projects; SB 1157 by Senator Hertzberg a follow on to AB 1334 from last year would adopt SWRCB studies for indoor water use standards from 52.5 gallons/person/day to 47 gallons/person/day in 2025 and in 2030 would reduce the standard from 50 gallons/person/day to 42 gallons/person/day; the Board’s approval of Resolution 225-R tonight is not affected by the recent announcement by Governor Newsom regarding teleconferencing. The District still falls under AB 361 for guidance regarding teleconferencing, currently there isn’t any indication when the governor will end the emergency declaration; the District provided the City of Pico Rivera a breakdown of costs for the Whittier Boulevard project and the General Manager will set a special meeting so the matter can be discussed regarding possible litigation.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Director’s Request of Future Agenda Items.

President Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Board Member Comments. There were none.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Board meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Elpidio Ramirez, President

Attest:

Mark J. Grajeda, Secretary

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Pico Water District, CA

Open Payable Report

As Of 02/28/2022

Summarized by Payable Account

Payable Number	Description	Post Date	Payable Amount	Discount Amount	Shipping Amount	Tax Amount	Net Amount	
Payable Account: 10-000-2000 - Accounts Payable								
Vendor: 1360 INV0001269	ADRIAN CHAVEZ FEB 2022 - DENTAL REIMB MARIAH - DOS 2-9-22	02/28/2022	157.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	157.35	
							Payable Count: (1)	157.35
Vendor: 1378 0011466	AKM CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. FEB 2020 - CIP PFAS REMOVAL TRTMT PLANT JAN 2022	02/28/2022	4,327.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,327.00	
							Payable Count: (1)	4,327.00
Vendor: 1375 1097	AUTOMATED WATER TREATMENT Chemicals - Tablets for Well #11	02/24/2022	4,080.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,080.13	
							Payable Count: (1)	4,080.13
Vendor: 1026 S26660234.002	BELL PIPE & SUPPLY CO JAN 2020 - RETURN OF PRODUCT	01/31/2020	-74.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	-74.10	
							Payable Count: (1)	-74.10
Vendor: 1035 28622	CALIFORNIA COMPUTER SCHOOLS, INC. FEB 2022 - EMAIL BOXES	02/22/2022	28.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	28.00	
							Payable Count: (1)	28.00
Vendor: 1046 PWD-JAN22	CENTRAL BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT FEB 2020 - RECYCLE WATER M/E 12/2021	02/28/2022	1,574.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,574.20	
							Payable Count: (1)	1,574.20
Vendor: 1051 CVCS348246 CVCS348773	CHEVROLET OF MONTEBELLO Unit #55 - Vehicle Maint. - Oil Change & Fuel Unit #74 - Oil Change	02/16/2022 02/25/2022	483.36 29.95	0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00	483.36 29.95	
							Payable Count: (2)	513.31
Vendor: 1053 4109622881 4110307704 4110991191 4111677077	CINTAS #053 FEB 2020 - UNIFORMS FEB 2020 - UNIFORMS FEB 2020 - UNIFORMS FEB 2022 - UNIFORMS	02/28/2022 02/28/2022 02/28/2022 02/28/2022	77.45 77.45 77.45 77.45	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	77.45 77.45 77.45 77.45	
							Payable Count: (4)	309.80
Vendor: 1054 5094655252	CINTAS 0168 - ORANGE CA FAS Safety Exp. - First Aid Kits Re-Stocked	02/07/2022	303.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	303.30	
							Payable Count: (1)	303.30
Vendor: 1065 4722	CREATIVE SIGNS & GRAPHICS Vehicle Maint. - Decals for District Vehicles	02/14/2022	319.73	0.00	0.00	0.00	319.73	
							Payable Count: (1)	319.73
Vendor: 1077 27441	DIEGO'S AUTO REPAIR Unit #55 - Brakes Front & Back Replacement	02/24/2022	652.74	0.00	0.00	0.00	652.74	
							Payable Count: (1)	652.74
Vendor: 1079 0110-31 0110-32	DOMINGUEZ GENERAL ENGINEERING INC FEB 2022 - CIP BURMA RD PERMIT PYMNT REIMB FEB 2022 - CIP STEPHENS ST PERMIT PYMNT REIMB	02/22/2022 02/22/2022	981.51 1,320.25	0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00	981.51 1,320.25	
							Payable Count: (2)	2,301.76
Vendor: 1080 INV0001274 INV0001275 INV0001276 INV0001277 INV0001278 INV0001279	EDISON COMPANY FEB 2022 - PWR CHRG #700529712495 WELL 10 FEB 2022 - PWR CHRG #700529608223 OFFICE FEB 2022 - PWR CHRG #700480943626 WELL 7 FEB 2022 - PWR CHRG #700052492404 RESRVR FEB 2022 - PWR CHRG #700224675787 WELL 5A FEB 2022 - PWR CHRG #700224550293 WELL 4	02/28/2022 02/28/2022 02/28/2022 02/28/2022 02/28/2022 02/28/2022	35.63 743.30 108.89 2,337.07 4,614.61 105.06	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	35.63 743.30 108.89 2,337.07 4,614.61 105.06	
							Payable Count: (6)	7,944.56
Vendor: 1369 E101268644	EIDE BAILLY LLP FEB 2022 - JAN 2022 ACCOUNTING SERVICES	02/22/2022	1,050.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,050.00	
							Payable Count: (1)	1,050.00
Vendor: 1088 0783429 0784008	FERGUSON WATERWORKS #1083 Meter Repair - Meter Bodys for Registers 2" Meters	02/08/2022 02/23/2022	1,993.35 2,111.68	0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00	1,993.35 2,111.68	
							Payable Count: (2)	4,105.03
Vendor: 1090 INV0001270	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS FEB 2022 - TELEPHONE CHARGES	02/28/2022	394.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	394.55	
							Payable Count: (1)	394.55

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Vendor: 1105	HARRINGTON INDUSTRIAL PLASTICS LLC						Payable Count: (2) 1,679.25
001Y7433	Misc. Well Maint. - NaOCI Material for Repairs	02/01/2022	286.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	286.87
001Y7434	Misc. Well Maint. - NaOCI Pump for Wells	02/01/2022	1,392.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,392.38
Vendor: 1111	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE						Payable Count: (5) 82.75
3592628	Misc. Well Maint. - Well Supplies for Clean Up	11/26/2019	15.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.84
2592692	Yard Maint. - Supplies for Cleaning Crew	11/27/2019	79.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	79.55
8105491	Well #11 - Material for Irrigation	12/11/2019	19.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	19.84
8562235	Meter Repair-PVC Parts for Irrigation Line HookUp	12/11/2019	48.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	48.27
CM0000006	NOV 2019 CREDIT MEMO FOR RETURN THAT WAS PAID	12/31/2019	-80.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	-80.75
Vendor: 1113	HUMBERTO CRUZ MASONRY						Payable Count: (4) 3,075.00
209	Service Repair Maint. - Concrete Restoration	01/05/2022	550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	550.00
208	Service Repair Maint.- Concrete Restoration	02/01/2022	675.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	675.00
207	Fire Hydrant Maint. - Concrete Pad Around Hydrant	02/02/2022	650.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	650.00
206	Fire Hydrant Maint. - Concrete Pad Around Hydrants	02/03/2022	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00
Vendor: 1117	INFOSEND						Payable Count: (1) 1,594.38
207127	FEB 2022 - JAN 2022 BILLS DTD 2/1/2022	02/28/2022	1,594.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,594.38
Vendor: 1133	KABBARA ENGINEERING						Payable Count: (3) 4,320.00
1705	FEB 2022 - CIP 1890 4852 CHURCH LOT SPLIT	02/28/2022	2,070.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,070.00
1706	FEB 2022 - CIP WELL 8 DISCHRG LN 10/2021-01/2022	02/28/2022	1,800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,800.00
1707	FEB 2022 - ENGINEERING SVCS 10/2021-1/2022	02/28/2022	450.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	450.00
Vendor: 1135	LAGERLOF, LLP						Payable Count: (5) 3,749.50
39940	DEC 2021 - LEGAL SERVICES - BRD MTGS	12/31/2021	1,302.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,302.00
39941	DEC 2021 - LEGAL SVCS - PERSONNEL MTTRS	12/31/2021	124.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	124.00
39942	DEC 2021 - LEGAL SVCS - GENERAL MTTRS	12/31/2021	341.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	341.00
40738	JAN 2022 - LEGAL SERVICES GENERAL MATTERS	01/31/2022	1,365.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,365.00
40739	JAN 2022 - LEGAL SERVICES BOARD MEETINGS	01/31/2022	617.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	617.50
Vendor: 1368	PUBLIC WATER AGENCIES GROUP						Payable Count: (1) 963.75
614	FEB 2020 - EMERG PRPRDNSS PRGRM	02/28/2022	963.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	963.75
Vendor: 1370	QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC.						Payable Count: (1) 380.31
INV0001271	FEB 2020 - POSTAGE FEES	02/28/2022	380.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	380.31
Vendor: 1142	QUADIENT LEASING USA						Payable Count: (1) 235.61
N9222596	FEB 2020 - QRTRLY LEASE MAILING MACHINGE	02/28/2022	235.61	0.00	0.00	0.00	235.61
Vendor: 1183	QUILL CORPORATION						Payable Count: (1) 134.22
23115965	FEB 2022 - OFFICE SUPPLIES	02/28/2022	134.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	134.22
Vendor: 1194	S & J SUPPLY CO., INC.						Payable Count: (1) 331.46
S100188151.001	Well #8 - 3" Material	02/23/2022	331.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	331.46
Vendor: 1202	SHELL						Payable Count: (8) 622.21
696765	Misc. Fuel Exp. - Diesel Fuel Unit #50	09/09/2019	81.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	81.18
708693	Misc. Fuel Exp. - Compressor	09/10/2019	53.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	53.36
858530	Misc. Fuel Exp. - Diesel Fuel - Backhoe	09/26/2019	87.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	87.82
60855926	SEPT 2019 - FUEL CHARGES	09/30/2019	115.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	115.89
652362	Fuel Exp. - Diesel Fuel for Backhoe	11/27/2019	89.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	89.52
835835	Misc. Fuel Exp. - Diesel Fuel for Compressor	01/20/2022	46.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	46.00
886465	Misc. Fuel Exp. - Diesel for Backhoe	01/27/2022	93.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	93.67
78516459	FEB 2020 - FUEL CHARGES	02/28/2022	54.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	54.77
Vendor: 1211	SPECTRUM						Payable Count: (1) 313.94
0477078020922	FEB 2020 - OFFICE INTERNET	02/28/2022	313.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	313.94
Vendor: 1215	STETSON ENGINEERS, INC.						Payable Count: (1) 1,623.50
2740-10-010	FEB 2022 - CIP RISK/RSLNC THRU 1/31/2022	02/28/2022	1,623.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,623.50
Vendor: 1225	TESCO CONTROLS, INC.						Payable Count: (1) 575.00

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Payable Number	Description	Post Date	Payable Amount	Discount Amount	Shipping Amount	Tax Amount	Net Amount
0075786-IN	Well #5A - Electronic Repair on L2000	02/11/2022	575.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	575.00
Vendor: 1245	VERIZON WIRELESS						Payable Count: (1) 188.20
9900011707	FEB 2022 - MOBILE SERVICE ORDERS IPAD	02/28/2022	188.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	188.20
Vendor: 1249	VOTACALL, INC.						Payable Count: (1) 58.63
169475	FEB 2020 - HARDWARE REPLACEMENT	02/28/2022	58.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	58.63
Vendor: 1250	WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF						Payable Count: (1) 74,741.80
INV0001280	FEB 2022 - GROUNDWATER M/E 12-31-21	02/28/2022	74,741.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	74,741.80
Vendor: 1256	WESTERN WATER WORKS						Payable Count: (5) 1,672.38
1222850-00	Well #8 - Steel Tee	01/31/2022	1,024.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,024.77
1223223-00	Well #8 - Bolts for (#300) 8" Tee	02/07/2022	84.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	84.68
1215953-01	Service Repair - Pack Joint Repair Insert Adaptors	02/08/2022	383.56	0.00	0.00	0.00	383.56
1223585-00	Well #8 - Gaskets	02/15/2022	94.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	94.48
1223600-00	Well #8 - 3" Welding Coupling	02/17/2022	84.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	84.89
			Payable Account 10-000-2000				Payable Count: (71) Total: 124,329.25

Payable Account Summary

Account	Count	Amount
10-000-2000 - Accounts Payable	71	124,329.25
Report Total:	71	124,329.25

Payable Fund Summary

Fund	Count	Amount
10 - General Operating	71	124,329.25
Report Total:	71	124,329.25

**FEBRUARY 1, 2022 –
FEBRUARY 28, 2022
BILLS APPROVED BY THE
GENERAL MANAGER**

03-16-2022



Pico Water District, CA

Check Report

By Check Number

Date Range: 02/01/2022 - 02/28/2022

Vendor Number	Vendor Name	Payment Date	Payment Type	Discount Amount	Payment Amount	Number
Bank Code: AP-ACCOUNTS PAYABLE						
1378	AKM CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC.	02/02/2022	Regular	0.00	3,825.00	61992
1043	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	02/02/2022	Regular	0.00	101.19	61993
1048	CENTRAL VOICE	02/02/2022	Regular	0.00	228.19	61994
1053	CINTAS #053	02/02/2022	Regular	0.00	360.97	61995
1071	DE LAGE LANDEN FINANCIAL	02/02/2022	Regular	0.00	333.53	61996
1092	GARVEY EQUIPMENT COMPANY	02/02/2022	Regular	0.00	193.88	61997
1194	S & J SUPPLY CO., INC.	02/02/2022	Regular	0.00	928.32	61998
1215	STETSON ENGINEERS, INC.	02/02/2022	Regular	0.00	2,005.50	61999
1245	VERIZON WIRELESS	02/02/2022	Regular	0.00	241.66	62000
1252	WECK LABORATORIES, INC.	02/02/2022	Regular	0.00	3,875.00	62001
1375	AUTOMATED WATER TREATMENT	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	4,080.13	62002
1054	CINTAS 0168 - ORANGE CA FAS	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	110.15	62003
1069	CV STRATEGIES	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	1,031.25	62004
1369	EIDE BAILLY LLP	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	2,927.50	62005
1117	INFOSEND	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	1,372.23	62006
1194	S & J SUPPLY CO., INC.	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	2,189.90	62007
1251	WATERLINE TECHNOLOGIES, INC	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	600.00	62008
1256	WESTERN WATER WORKS	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	6,593.90	62009
1007	ACWA-JOINT POWERS INSURANCE AUTHORITY	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	5,349.73	62010
1046	CENTRAL BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	3,494.79	62011
1379	COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEMS ALLIANCE	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	5,000.00	62012
1080	EDISON COMPANY	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	7,113.35	62013
1369	EIDE BAILLY LLP	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	2,117.55	62014
1163	PAC COMM TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	590.00	62015
1403	SULZER EMS - COLTON	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	235.92	62016
1250	WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF	02/10/2022	Regular	0.00	85,746.22	62017
1178	ADT COMMERCIAL	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	620.19	62018
1009	AIRGAS USA, LLC	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	81.38	62019
1012	AMERICAN MARKER	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	223.26	62020
1017	AT & T	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	138.62	62021
1035	CALIFORNIA COMPUTER SCHOOLS, INC.	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	112.00	62022
1036	CALIFORNIA DEPT. MOTOR VEHICLES	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	6.00	62023
1400	DN TANKS, INC	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	3,097.50	62024
1080	EDISON COMPANY	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	9,584.18	62025
1369	EIDE BAILLY LLP	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	1,437.50	62026
1327	ENVIRONMENT CONTROL GREATER ORANGE C	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	945.00	62027
1088	FERGUSON WATERWORKS #1083	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	1,150.16	62028
1095	GENERAL PUMP COMPANY	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	1,424.00	62029
1111	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	1,784.49	62030
1117	INFOSEND	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	555.54	62031
1135	LAGERLOF, LLP	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	-3,749.50	62032
1135	LAGERLOF, LLP	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	3,749.50	62032
1149	MISSION FENCE & PATIO BUILDERS	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	1,425.00	62033
1153	NASA SERVICES	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	209.96	62034
1155	NOBEL SYSTEMS	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	3,100.00	62035
1163	PAC COMM TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	1,545.37	62036
1183	QUILL CORPORATION	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	917.99	62037
1184	QUINN COMPANY	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	1,841.47	62038
1194	S & J SUPPLY CO., INC.	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	5,040.12	62039
1209	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	85.89	62040
1212	SPRINT	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	52.72	62041
1237	UNDERGROUND SERVICE ALERT	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	107.35	62042
1249	VOTACALL, INC.	02/23/2022	Regular	0.00	85.80	62043

Check Report

Date Range: 02/01/2022 - 02/28/2022

Vendor Number
1256

Vendor Name
WESTERN WATER WORKS

Payment Date
02/23/2022

Payment Type
Regular

Discount Amount
0.00

Payment Amount
6,031.08

Number
62044

Bank Code AP Summary

Payment Type	Payable Count	Payment Count	Discount	Payment
Regular Checks	93	53	0.00	185,997.93
Manual Checks	0	0	0.00	0.00
Voided Checks	0	1	0.00	-3,749.50
Bank Drafts	0	0	0.00	0.00
EFT's	0	0	0.00	0.00
	93	54	0.00	182,248.43

All Bank Codes Check Summary

Payment Type	Payable Count	Payment Count	Discount	Payment
Regular Checks	93	53	0.00	185,997.93
Manual Checks	0	0	0.00	0.00
Voided Checks	0	1	0.00	-3,749.50
Bank Drafts	0	0	0.00	0.00
EFT's	0	0	0.00	0.00
	93	54	0.00	182,248.43

Fund Summary

Fund	Name	Period	Amount
10	General Operating	2/2022	182,248.43
			182,248.43

**ACTION/DISCUSSION
ITEMS**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
PICO WATER DISTRICT
4843 S. Church Street
Pico Rivera, California, 90660**

5:30 P.M. Wednesday, March 16, 2022

AGENDA

7. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS.

- A. Consider Approval of Resolution 226-R a Resolution Readopting the District's Investment Policy. *Recommended action – that the Board approve Resolution 226-R.*

STAFF REPORT

To: Honorable Board of Directors

From: Mark Grajeda, General Manager

Meeting Date: March 16, 2022

Subject: Action Item 7A - Consider Approval of Resolution 226-R a Resolution Readopting the District's Investment Policy

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board approve Resolution 226-R a resolution restating and readopting how the District will invest public funds in compliance with the State of California Legislation.

FISCAL IMPACT

No negative financial impact to the District.

BACKGROUND

Every few years District staff brings to the Board for consideration the District's Investment Policy to consider any changes or updates to the policy. The District's Investment Policy was last considered in 2018 for minor changes to the Investment Policy. Changes to the Investment Policy were again very minor and have been incorporated into the policy.



RESOLUTION NO. 226-R

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE PICO WATER DISTRICT
ESTABLISHING ITS INVESTMENT POLICY**

1. POLICY

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of California has declared that the deposit and investment of public funds by local officials and local agencies is an issue of statewide concern; and

WHEREAS, the legislative body of a local agency may invest monies not required for the immediate necessities of the local agency in accordance with the provisions of California Government Code Sections 53601 and 53635; and

WHEREAS, the treasurer or fiscal officer of the Pico Water District ("District") must annually prepare and submit a statement of investment policy and such policy, and any changes thereto, shall be considered by the Board of Directors at a public meeting,

NOW THEREFORE, it shall be the policy of the District to invest funds in a manner which will provide the highest investment return with the maximum security while meeting the District's daily cash flow demands and conforming to all statutes governing the investment of District funds.

2. SCOPE

This investment policy applies to all financial assets of the District. These funds are accounted for in the annual District audit.

3. PRUDENCE

Investments shall be made with judgment and care, under circumstances then prevailing, including, but not limited to, the general economic conditions and the anticipated needs of the District, which persons of prudence, discretion and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs; not for speculation, but for investment, considering the probable safety of their capital as well as the probable income to be derived. The standard of prudence to be used by investment officials shall be the "prudent investor" standard (California Government Code Section 53600.3) and shall be applied in the context of managing an overall portfolio. Investment officers acting in accordance with written procedures and the investment policy and exercising due diligence shall be relieved of personal responsibility for an individual security's credit risk or market price changes, provided deviations from expectations are reported in a timely fashion and appropriate action is taken to control adverse developments.

4. **OBJECTIVES**

When investing, reinvesting, purchasing, acquiring, exchanging, selling and managing District funds, the primary objectives, in priority order, of the investment activities shall be:

1. **Safety:** Safety of principal is the foremost objective of the investment program. Investments of the District shall be undertaken in a manner that seeks to ensure the preservation of capital in the overall portfolio. To attain this objective, diversification is required in order that potential losses on individual securities do not exceed the income generated from the remainder of the portfolio.

2. **Liquidity:** The investment portfolio will remain sufficiently liquid to enable the District to meet all operating requirements which might be reasonably anticipated.

3. **Return on Investments:** The investment portfolio shall be designed with the objective of attaining a market rate of return throughout budgetary and economic cycles, taking into account the investment risk constraints and the cash flow characteristics of the portfolio.

5. **DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY**

Authority to manage the investment program is derived from California Government Code Sections 53600, et seq. Management responsibility for the investment program is hereby delegated to the Treasurer, who, where appropriate, shall establish written procedures for the operation of the investment program consistent with this investment policy. No person may engage in an investment transaction except as provided under the terms of this policy and such procedures that are established by the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall be responsible for all transactions undertaken and shall establish controls to regulate the activities of subordinate officials. Under the provisions of California Government Code Section 53600.3, the Treasurer is a trustee and a fiduciary subject to the prudent investor standard.

6. **ETHICS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Officers and employees involved in the investment process shall refrain from personal business activity that could conflict or appear to conflict with the proper execution of the investment program, or which could impair their ability to make impartial investment decisions.

7. **AUTHORIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND DEALERS**

The Treasurer will maintain a list of financial institutions, selected on the basis of credit worthiness, financial strength, experience and minimum capitalization authorized to provide investment services. In addition, a list will also be maintained of approved security broker/dealers selected by credit worthiness who are authorized to provide investment and financial advisory services in the State of California. No public deposit shall be made except in a qualified public depository as established by state laws.

For brokers/dealers of government securities and other investments, the District shall select only broker/dealers who are licensed and in good standing with the California Department of

Securities, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the National Association of Securities Dealers or other applicable self-regulatory organizations.

Before engaging in investment transactions with a broker/dealer, the Treasurer shall have received from said firm a signed Certification Form. This form shall attest that the individual responsible for the District's account with that firm has reviewed the District's Investment Policy and that the firm understands the policy and intends to present investment recommendations and transactions to the District that are appropriate under the terms and conditions of the Investment Policy.

Where all funds of the District not placed in FDIC-insured accounts are invested through the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF), the Treasurer need not be concerned with the qualifications of those financial institutions and broker/dealers with whom LAIF transacts business.

8. AUTHORIZED AND SUITABLE INVESTMENTS

The District is empowered by California Government Code Sections 53601 et seq. to invest in the following:

- a. Bonds issued by the District.
- b. United States Treasury Bills, Notes and Bonds.
- c. Registered state warrants or treasury notes or bonds issued by the State of California.
- d. Registered treasury notes or bonds of any of the other 49 United States in addition to California, including bonds payable solely out of the revenues from a revenue-producing property owned, controlled, or operated by a state or by a department, board, agency, or authority of any of the other 49 United States, in addition to California.
- e. Bonds, notes, warrants or other evidence of debt issued by a local agency within the State of California, including pooled investment accounts sponsored by the State of California, County Treasurers, other local agencies or joint powers agencies. The Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) is an approved pooled investment account.
- f. Federal agency or United States government-sponsored enterprise obligations, participations, or other instruments, including those issued by, or fully guaranteed as to principal and interest by federal agencies or United States government-sponsored enterprises. No more than 30% of the portfolio may be invested in any single Agency/GSE issuer. The maximum percentage of callable agency securities in the portfolio is 20%.
- g. Bankers' acceptances, otherwise known as bills of exchange or time drafts, which are drawn on and accepted by a commercial bank. Purchase of bankers' acceptances may not exceed 180 days' maturity or 40% of the District's money that may be

invested pursuant to this policy. However, no more than 30% of the District's money can be invested in the bankers' acceptances of any single commercial bank.

- h. Commercial paper of "prime" quality of the highest ranking or of the highest letter and number rating as provided for by a nationally recognized statistical-rating organization. The entity that issues the commercial paper shall either be:

- (1) organized and operating within the United States, as a general corporation, shall have total assets in excess of five hundred million dollars (\$500,000,000), and shall issue debt, other than commercial paper, if any, that is rated in the "A" category or higher by a Nationally Recognized Statistical-Rating Organization (NRSRO); or

- (2) organized within the United States as a special purpose corporation, trust, or limited liability company, have programwide credit enhancements including, but not limited to, overcollateralization, letters of credit, or surety bond, and has commercial paper that is rated "A-1" or higher, or the equivalent, by a NRSRO.

- (3) eligible commercial paper shall have a maximum maturity of 270 days or less. The District shall invest no more than 25 percent of its money in eligible commercial paper. The District shall purchase no more than 10 percent of the outstanding commercial paper of any single corporate issue. No more than 5% of the total portfolio may be invested per issuer.

- i. (i) Negotiable certificates of deposit issued by a nationally or state-chartered bank, a savings association or a federal association (as defined by Section 5102 of the Financial Code), a state or federal credit union, or by a state-licensed branch of a foreign bank. Purchases of negotiable certificates of deposit shall not exceed 30 percent of the District's money, subject to the limitations of Government Code Sections 53601(i) and 53638. The Board of Directors and the Treasurer are prohibited from investing District funds, or funds in the District's custody, in negotiable certificates of deposit issued by a state or federal credit union if a member of the Board of Directors, or any person with investment decision making authority within the District also serves on the board of directors, or any committee appointed by the board of directors, or the credit committee or the supervisory committee of the state or federal credit union issuing the negotiable certificates of deposit. No more than 5% of the total portfolio may be invested per issuer.

- j. Placement service deposits, including certificates of deposit, at a commercial bank, savings bank, savings and loan association or credit union that uses a private sector entity that assists in the placement of such deposits shall not in total exceed 50 percent of the District's money, subject to the limitations and requirements of Government Code Section 53638 and 53601.8.

- k. Repurchase/Reverse Repurchase Agreements of any securities authorized by Section 53601. The market value of securities that underlay a repurchase agreement shall be valued at 102% or greater of the funds borrowed against those securities. Repurchase agreements are restricted to a maturity of one year, and are subject to the

special limits and conditions of California Government Code 53601(j). Reverse repurchase agreements are subject to additional conditions including a maximum maturity of 92 days in accordance with California Code 53601(j)(3).

- l. Medium-term notes, defined as all corporate and depository institution debt securities with a maximum remaining maturity of five years or less, issued by corporations organized and operating within the United States or by depository institutions licensed by the United States or any state and operating within the United States. Notes eligible for investment under this subdivision shall be rated in a rating category of "A" or its equivalent, or better, by an NRSRO. Purchases of medium-term notes shall not include other instruments authorized by this policy and may not exceed 30 percent of the District's money which may be invested pursuant to this policy. No more than 5% of the total portfolio may be invested per issuer.

- m. Shares of beneficial interest issued by diversified management companies (mutual funds) investing in the securities and obligations authorized by this policy, and shares in money market mutual funds, subject to the restrictions of Government Code Section 53601(l). The purchase price of investments under this subdivision shall not exceed 20 percent of the District's money that may be invested pursuant to this policy. However, no more than 10 percent of the District's money may be invested in any one mutual fund, except in the case of money market mutual funds. No more than 20% of the District's money may be invested in a single money market mutual fund that either:
 - (1) has attained the highest ranking or the highest letter and numerical rating provided by not less than two (2) NRSROs; or
 - (2) has retained an investment adviser registered or exempt from registration with the Securities and Exchange Commission with not less than five years' experience investing in the Securities and obligations authorized by California Government Code, Section 53601 and with assets under management in excess of \$500 million.

- n. Moneys held by a trustee or fiscal agent and pledged to the payment or security of bonds or other indebtedness, or obligations under a lease, installment sale, or other agreement of a local agency, or certificates of participation in those bonds, indebtedness, or lease installment sale, or other agreements, may be invested in accordance with the statutory provisions governing the issuance of those bonds, indebtedness, or lease installment sale, or other agreement, or to the extent not inconsistent therewith or if there are no specific statutory provisions, in accordance with the ordinance, resolution, indenture, or agreement of the local agency providing for the issuance.

- o. Notes, bonds, or other obligations that are at all times secured by a valid first priority security interest in securities of the types listed by Government Code Section 53651 as eligible securities for the purpose of securing local agency deposits having a market value at least equal to that required by Government Code Section 53652 for the purpose of securing local agency deposits. The securities serving as collateral

shall be placed by delivery or book entry into the custody of a trust company or the trust department of a bank which is not affiliated with the issuer of the secured obligation, and the security interest shall be perfected in accordance with the requirements of the Uniform Commercial Code or federal regulations applicable to the types of securities in which the security interest is granted.

- p. Any mortgage passthrough security, collateralized mortgage obligation, mortgage-backed or other pay-through bond, equipment lease-backed certificate, consumer receivable passthrough certificate, or consumer receivable-backed bond from issuers other than the US Treasury or a US Federal Agency/GSE. Securities eligible for investment under this subdivision shall be rated in a rating category of "AA" or its equivalent or better by a NRSRO. Purchase of securities authorized by this subdivision may not exceed 20 percent of the District's money that may be invested pursuant to this policy.
- q. Proposition 1A receivables, as defined in subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 53610.
- r. Any other investment security authorized under the provisions of California Government Code 5922 and 53601.
- s. Supranational securities, provided they are U.S. dollar denominated senior unsecured unsubordinated obligations issued or unconditionally guaranteed by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, International Finance Corporation, or Inter-American Development Bank. The securities must be rated in the rating category of "AA" or its equivalent or better by an NRSRO. No more than 30% of the total portfolio may be invested in these securities and the maximum maturity of any security under this subdivision cannot exceed five (5) years. No more than 10% of the portfolio may be invested in any single issuer.

A summary of the limitations and special conditions that apply to each of the above listed investment securities is attached and is included by reference in this Investment Policy.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 53601.6, the District shall not invest any funds covered by this Investment Policy in inverse floaters, range notes, mortgage-derived interest-only strips, or any investment that may result in a zero-interest accrual if held to maturity. Under a provision sunsetting on January 1, 2026, securities backed by the U.S. Government that could result in a zero or negative interest accrual if held to maturity are permitted.

9. COLLATERALIZATION

All certificates of deposits must be collateralized by United States Treasury Obligations. Collateral must be held by a third-party trustee and valued on a monthly basis. The percentage of collateralizations on repurchase and reverse agreements will adhere to the amount required under California Government Code Section 53601(j)(2).

10. SAFEKEEPING AND CUSTODY

All security transactions entered into by the District shall be conducted on delivery-versus-payment (DVP) basis. All securities purchased or acquired shall be delivered to the District by book entry, physical delivery or by third party custodial agreement. The only exceptions to the foregoing shall be depository accounts and securities purchases made with: (i) local government investment pools (e.g. LAIF); (ii) time certificates of deposit; and, (iii) mutual funds and money market mutual funds, since these securities are not deliverable.

11. DIVERSIFICATION

The District will diversify its investments by security type and institution. Assets shall be diversified to eliminate the risk of loss resulting from over concentration of assets in a specific maturity, a specific issuer or a specific class of securities. Diversification strategies shall be determined and revised periodically, if determined necessary to meet District goals. In establishing specific diversification strategies, the following general policies and constraints shall apply:

- a. Portfolio maturity dates shall be matched versus liabilities to avoid undue concentration in a specific maturity sector.
- b. Maturities selected shall provide for stability of income and liquidity.
- c. Disbursement and payroll dates shall be covered through maturities of investments, marketable United States Treasury bills or other cash equivalent instruments such as money market mutual funds.

12. MITIGATING CREDIT RISK IN THE PORTFOLIO

Credit risk is the risk that a security or a portfolio will lose some or all of its value due to a real or perceived change in the ability of the issuer to repay its debt. The District will mitigate credit risk by adopting the following strategies:

- a. No more than 5% of the total portfolio may be invested in securities of any single issuer, other than the US Government, its agencies and enterprises unless otherwise specified in this investment policy;
- b. The District may elect to sell a security prior to its maturity and record a capital gain or loss in order to improve the quality, liquidity or yield of the portfolio in response to market conditions or District's risk preferences; and
- c. If securities owned by the District are downgraded by either Moody's or S&P to a level below the quality required by this Investment Policy, it will be the District's policy to review the credit situation and make a determination as to whether to sell or retain such securities in the portfolio.

1. If a security is downgraded, the Treasurer will use discretion in determining whether to sell or hold the security based on its current maturity, the economic outlook for the issuer, and other relevant factors.
2. If a decision is made to retain a downgraded security in the portfolio, its presence in the portfolio will be monitored and as deemed necessary reported to the Board of Directors.

13. REPORTING

The Treasurer shall submit a monthly transaction report to the Board of Directors within 30 days of the end of the reporting period in accordance with California Government Code Section 53607. In addition, the Treasurer shall submit an investment report to the Board of Directors at least quarterly. The report shall be submitted within 30 days following the end of the reporting period covered by the report. The report shall include a complete description of the portfolio, the type of investments, the issuers, maturity dates, par values and the current market values of each component of the portfolio, including funds managed for District by third party contracted managers. The report will also include the source of the portfolio valuation. If all funds are placed in LAIF, FDIC-insured accounts and/or in a county investment pool, the foregoing report elements may be replaced by copies of the latest statements from such institutions. The report must also include a certification that (1) all investment actions executed since the last report have been made in full compliance with the Investment Policy and, (2) the District will meet its expenditure obligations for the next six months, as required by Government Code Section 53646(b)(2) and (3), respectively. The Treasurer shall maintain a complete and timely record of all investment transactions.

14. INVESTMENT POLICY ADOPTION

The Investment Policy shall be adopted by resolution of the District. Moreover, the Policy shall be reviewed on an annual basis, and modifications must be approved by the Board of Directors.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Pico Water District this 16th day of March, 2022.

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstains:

Absent:

Elpidio Ramirez, President

ATTEST:

Mark J. Grajeda, Secretary

Govt. Code Section	Investment Type	Maximum Maturity	Authorized Limit (%)	Required Rating
53601(a)	Bonds issued by Pico Water District	5 years	None	None
53601(b)	U.S. Treasury Bills, Notes and Bonds	5 years	None	None
53601(c)	California Warrants, Notes or Bonds	5 years	5 years	None
53601(d)	Other States' Treasury Notes or Bonds	N/A	5 years	None
53601(e)	Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)	N/A	None	None
53601(f)	U.S. Agencies or Enterprises	5 years	30%; 20% callable	None
53601(g)	Bankers' Acceptances	180 days	40% (30% in any one bank)	None
53601(h) & 53601.8	Prime Commercial Paper	270 days	25% (10% in any one issue and 5% in one entity's paper)	A
53601(i)	Negotiable Certificates of Deposit and Certificates of Deposit placed through use of a private sector entity	5 years	30%; not more than 5% per issuer	None
53601(j)	Repurchase/Reverse Repurchase Agreements	1 year*	20%	None
53601(k)	Medium-Term Corporate Notes	5 years	30%; not more than 5% per issuer	A
53601(l)	Money Market Mutual Funds and Mutual Funds **	5 years	20% (10% in any single fund)	***
53601(m)	Bond/COP Funds	N/A	None	None
53601(n)	Collateralized Bank Deposits	5 years	None	None
53601(o)	Mortgage Pass-Through Securities	5 years	20%	AA
53601(q)	Supranationals	5 years	30% (10% in any single issuer)	AA
53610	Proposition 1A Receivables	None	None	None

* the one year limitation for Repurchase/Reverse Repurchase Agreements is subject to a further limitation set forth in Government Code Section 53601(i)(4), which, if applicable, may limit the maturity to 92 days.

** Mutual Funds maturity may be defined as the weighted average maturity; money market mutual funds must have an average maturity of 90 days or less, per SEC regulations.

*** Highest ratings from two of the top three rating agencies.

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
PICO WATER DISTRICT
4843 S. Church Street
Pico Rivera, California, 90660**

5:30 P.M. Wednesday, March 16, 2022

AGENDA

7. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS.

- B. Consider Approval of Resolution 227-R a Resolution Accepting Grant of Easement and Approving Quitclaim of Prior Easement. *Recommended action – that the Board approve Resolution 227-R.*

STAFF REPORT

To: Honorable Board of Directors

From: Mark Grajeda, General Manager

Meeting Date: March 16, 2022

Subject: Action Item 7B - Consider Approval of Resolution 227-R a Resolution Accepting Grant of Easement and Approving Quitclaim of Prior Easement

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board approve Resolution 227-R a resolution accepting grant of easement and approving quitclaim of prior easement, and authorizing the General Manager to sign all legal documents for the District (quitclaim & easement deeds, notaries) for recording purposes.

FISCAL IMPACT

No negative financial impact to the District.

BACKGROUND

Pico Water District (District) was contacted by DRC Engineering representing a developer for the Crossroads Plaza, requesting that the developer be allowed to relocate the water pipeline providing water to a fire hydrant located in front of the old Home Depot. The developer was working to develop a new building for the Chase Bank and the new location was going to be located directly on top of the existing fire hydrant mainline running due south from Whittier Boulevard to within 30 feet in front of the old Home Depot building.

The location of the fire hydrant in front of Home Depot was only being moved slightly, however the location of the pipeline feeding the fire hydrant was to be rerouted and then tied back into the existing fire hydrant line. All work was reviewed by the District's engineer (Kabbara Engineering) and approved. All relocation work is complete and the District now needs to approve the recording of all deeds.



RESOLUTION NO. 227-R

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
PICO WATER DISTRICT ACCEPTING GRANT OF EASEMENT
AND APPROVING QUITCLAIM OF PRIOR EASEMENT**

WHEREAS, Pico Water District, a county water district formed under Division 12 of the California Water Code (the “District”), currently owns an easement across and under a portion of certain real property (the “Property”) located in the City of Pico Rivera, County of Los Angeles, State of California identified as Los Angeles County Assessor’s Parcel Number 6377-003-039; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the best interests of the District to expressly release and quitclaim the existing easement rights it has in the Property, as shown in the Quitclaim Deed attached hereto as Attachment 1, and obtain a new easement across and under the Property in the location specified in the in the Easement Deed attached hereto as Attachment 2,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the District hereby releases and quitclaims any easement rights it has across and under the Property identified in Attachment 1 hereto, and accepts the easement rights across and under the Property as specified in Attachment 2 hereto.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the District’s General Manager and Secretary, Mark J. Grajeda, is authorized to sign the subject Quitclaim Deed and Easement Deed, in the forms attached hereto as Attachments 1 and 2, respectively, to be recorded in the Official Records of Los Angeles County to accomplish the contemplated transfers.

The undersigned certifies that this resolution was adopted on March 16, 2022 by the District in accordance with applicable law, that it is now in force, and that the person named above is authorized to act as stated in this resolution.

Ayes:
Nays:
Abstains:
Absent:

ATTEST:

Elpidio Ramirez, President

Mark J. Grajeda, Secretary

CERTIFICATION

I, Mark J. Grajeda, Secretary of the Board of Directors of Pico Water District, certify that the foregoing resolution is a complete and accurate copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting held on March 16, 2022 and that the resolution is now in full force and has not been revoked or changed in any way.

Dated: March 16, 2022

Mark J. Grajeda, Secretary

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
PICO WATER DISTRICT
4843 S. Church Street
Pico Rivera, California, 90660**

5:30 P.M. Wednesday, March 16, 2022

AGENDA

9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Production & Water Level Report.
- B. Monthly Activity Report.
- C. Reservoir Conditions – February 09, 2022 and March 10, 2022.
- D. Letters from the Public Water Agencies Group Regarding AB 2313 & AB 2449.

PWD Water Production per Fiscal Water Year

Acre Feet



WATER LEVELS REPORT

Water Levels for February 2022

Listed below are the water levels for the two key monitoring wells used by the Water Replenishment District of Southern California (WRD), and the District's active wells.

WRD is charged with monitoring the water levels in both the Central Basin and West Coast Basin, and with making sure both basins are replenished annually. As a means of monitoring the levels in both basins WRD measures the depth of water in two specific wells, 1601T located in between the San Gabriel River and the Rio Hondo spreading grounds, and the second Carson #1 located in the City of Carson. WRD compares the levels of these two wells month to month, and year to year as a means of gaging the reliability of both basins (levels listed are in feet below surface). As this report is specific to the Central Basin, we are only showing the Central Basin Monitoring Well results below.

	February 2022	February 2021
Central Basin 1601T	87.0	88.4
Carson Well	66.61	60.43

Listed below are the static and pumping levels (in feet below surface) for the District's five active wells, and pump settings (depth).

	February 2022		February 2021		
	<u>Static</u>	<u>Pumping</u>	<u>Static</u>	<u>Pumping</u>	<u>Pump depth</u>
Well #4	87	off	74	138	150
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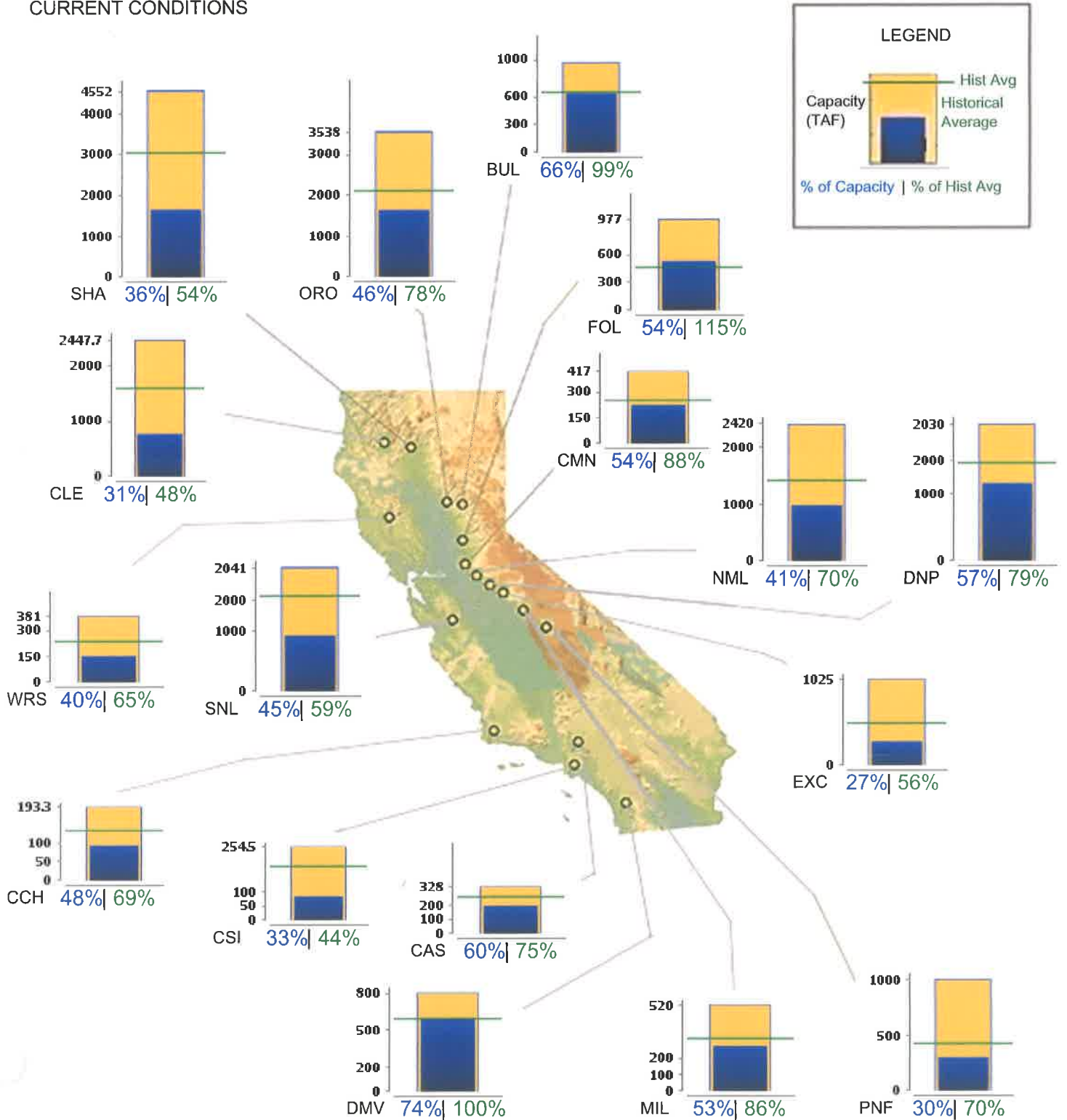


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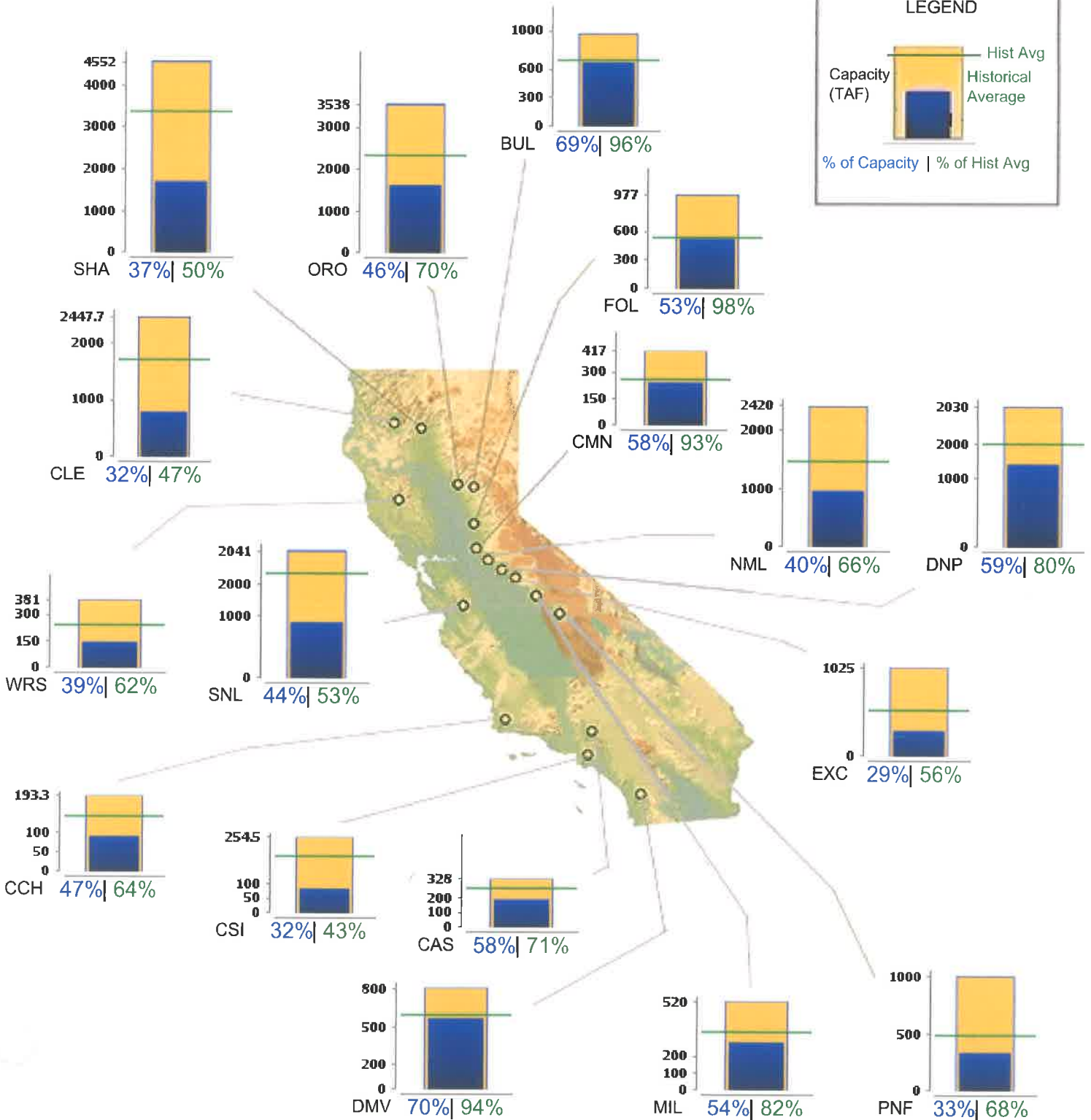
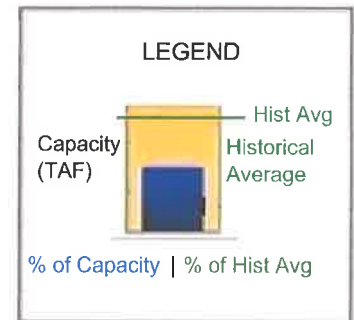


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February 28, 2022

Assembly Member Richard Bloom
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RE: Assembly Bill 2313 (Bloom) – Support [As Introduced]

Dear Assembly Member Bloom:

We are the attorneys for the Public Water Agencies Group (the “Group”), a non-profit mutual benefit corporation comprised of twenty public agency and mutual water company water suppliers that provide retail, wholesale, replenishment and watermaster services throughout Los Angeles County.¹ The Group is pleased to support your Assembly Bill 2313, which would encourage the Judicial Council to establish a program that provides specific training and education to judges in water-related litigation. The bill would further authorize the chairperson of the Judicial Council to assign to such water-related litigation to judges who have completed that training or received that education.

AB 2313 would also require the Judicial Council to identify a set of independent and non-partisan specialized judicial branch staff who have expertise in water science, management, or law who would be made available to any judge adjudicating a water dispute. The bill would authorize a judge to appoint a qualified special master to assist the judge in a water-related action. AB 2313 would also potentially allow for general fund monies to be used for these purposes.

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The Group and its members applaud you for authoring this bill. Water is a significant issue in California and unfortunately spawns a great number of disputes, some of which end up in litigation. Water is also complex and it can be frustrating to parties and their attorneys when a complicated water-related case ends up assigned to a judge with little or no experience, education or training on water issues. AB 2313 will address that issue by providing necessary training and education, as well as a designated process and possible funding, to ensure judges with necessary background information and training are able to determine those cases or can bring in staff with such experience to assist them.

For these reasons, the Public Water Agencies Group is pleased to support your Assembly Bill 2313 (Bloom). If you have questions about our position or would like to discuss further, you may contact me by phone at (626) 793-9400 or by e-mail at jciampa@lagerlof.com.

Thank you for your work on this important bill and for your consideration of this letter.

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By: James D. Ciampa

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RE: Assembly Bill 2449 (Rubio) – Support [As Introduced]

Dear Assembly Member Rubio:

We are the attorneys for the Public Water Agencies Group (the “Group”), a non-profit mutual benefit corporation comprised of twenty public agency and mutual water company water suppliers that provide retail, wholesale, replenishment and watermaster services throughout Los Angeles County.¹ The Group is pleased to support your Assembly Bill 2449, related to enhancing public access through teleconferencing in a public meeting setting.

As part of his response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor Newsom originally issued a series of Executive Orders to expand public access to meetings of local agencies by suspending some of the restrictions on teleconferencing. The effect was an expanded use of teleconferencing for meetings of local agency legislative bodies, resulting in enhanced public access and increased participation by the public.

The expiration of the Executive Orders immediately gave way to the newly enacted AB 361, essentially allowing for the teleconference provisions detailed in the Executive Orders to continue during a period of emergency declaration. However, once an emergency declaration

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ends, local agencies will again be required to comply with antiquated provisions of existing law, making it potentially more difficult to hold meetings of the legislative body by teleconference. While current law does allow for “teleconference locations” under normal (i.e., non-emergency) circumstances, it requires various actions to be taken at the teleconference locations and fails to recognize in the digital age that a teleconference location is wherever there is a person with a computer, a tablet, or even a mobile phone.

AB 2449 will eliminate the previously existing concept of teleconference locations and will revise notice requirements to allow for greater public participation in teleconference meetings of local agencies. The bill does not require teleconferencing, but instead modernizes existing law to ensure greater public participation in meetings of local agency legislative bodies where those agencies choose to utilize teleconferencing. Similarly, in acknowledgement of the critical importance of maintaining transparency and accountability, the bill requires that a quorum of the governing body be physically present at a clearly identified meeting location for all public meetings.

For these reasons, the Public Water Agencies Group is pleased to support your Assembly Bill 2449 (Rubio). If you have questions about our position or would like to discuss further, you may contact me by phone at (626) 793-9400 or by e-mail at jciampa@lagerlof.com.

Thank you for your work on this important bill and for your consideration of this letter.

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CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
PICO WATER DISTRICT
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Pico Rivera, California, 90660**

5:30 P.M. Wednesday, March 16, 2022

AGENDA

12. CLOSED SESSION.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code
Section 54956.9.

One Case.