# **General Plan Advisory Committee** Meeting #16: Water Supply and Availability

October 18, 2022



## **GPAC Members**

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- Erin Kraus

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- Bill McReynolds
- Daniel Reardon
- Sabrena Rodriguez
- Alejandra Tellez
- Dana Worsnop



### **Meeting Agenda**

- Introduction and welcome
- General Plan Update
- Presentation on water supply and availability
- Q&A
- Public comment





## **GPAC Meeting Protocols**

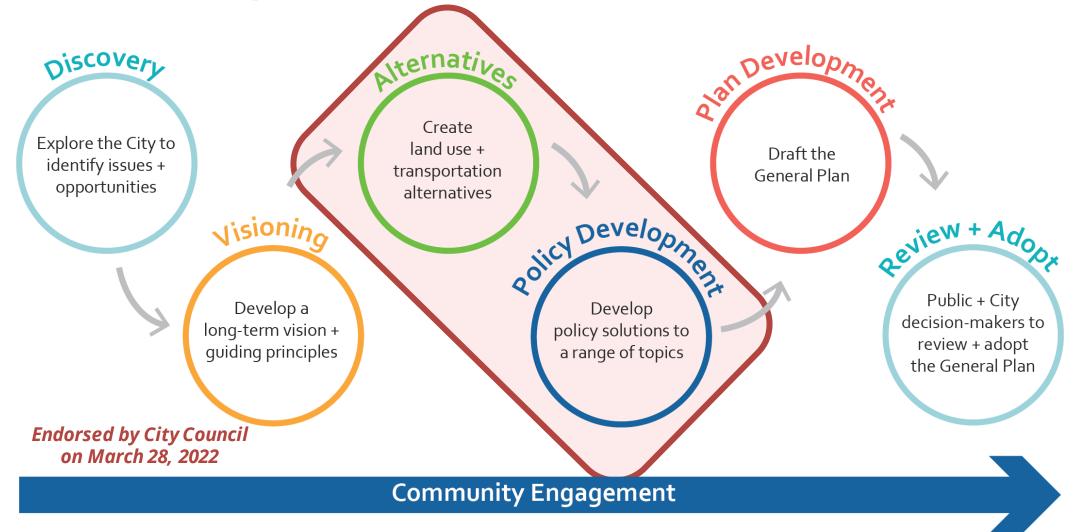
To ensure a safe environment for respectful dialogue, the following protocols will be enforced:

- GPAC members and the public shall show respect for others in the room.
- GPAC members and the public shall not interrupt or otherwise disrupt the meeting, including shouting, applauding or booing.
- Public comment is provided at the end of the meeting. Time limits will be placed on public comment depending on the number of public speakers.
- Those that do not follow these protocols will be asked to leave the meeting.



## **Update on Recent Activities**

### **General Plan Update Process**



Visit <u>www.PlanVentura.com</u> to register for emails and view documents or the events calendar



## **Alternatives Online Resources**

- Alternatives Primer
- PDF Maps of Alternatives
- Summary of Alternatives
- Draft Land Use Designations
- Summary of all engagement activities and surveys
- Alternatives Survey
- Interactive GIS maps
- Development Projections New



#### Help shape the future of Ventura!

tura is emblacking on a new long-term vision for the City. This exciting initiative. Ventura General Plan: Our Vision, Our Future will result in comprehensive update to the City's General Plan along with an updated Local Coastal Plan and a new Climate Action Plan.



Please join other Ventura residents and help plan Ventura for the next generation. Your voice is critical to the success of the Plan.



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### **Completed Engagement Activities**

#### Community Workshops

- Tuesday, August 30, In Person
- Thursday, September 1, Virtual

#### Office Hours

- Tuesday, September 13, Virtual
- Monday, September 19, In Person
- Tuesday, September 27, Virtual

#### Community Council Meetings

- Westside Community Council, Wednesday, September 7
- Midtown Community Council, Thursday, September 8
- Montalvo Community Council, Wednesday, September 14
- East Ventura Community Council, Thursday, September 15
- Pierpont Bay Community Council, September 28
- College Area Community Council, Wednesday, September 28

#### Downtown-Area Meetings

- Businesses: Tuesday, October 11 (daytime)
- Residents: Tuesday, October 11 (evening)

#### Pop-Up Workshops

Several completed to date with more planned





## Virtual Surveys

- 11 surveys for feedback on individual areas
  - 1 for Citywide and Downtown
  - 10 for individual Areas of Discussion <u>Take one or all</u>
  - Limited to 1 survey per IP address you can take each survey 1 time
  - If you have multiple people in your household, please contact the General Plan Team.
- Open Tuesday, September 6 October 24
- Surveys are the primary source of input but other ideas from:
  - Community Council meetings
  - Written comments received via the project website
  - GPAC discussions
  - Pop-up workshops





### **Next Steps**

- 1. Complete pop-up workshops
- 2. Close survey on October 24
- 3. GP Team prepares high-level analysis and releases <u>all</u> data
  - Summary data for each survey
  - "Cross tabs" by responder location
- 4. GPAC meeting November 15
  - Review high-level results
  - Discuss how GPAC can help analyze data and provide recommendations

The results of the above to lead to next steps

- New alternatives created?
- Additional engagement?
- Additional GPAC meetings?
- Timing of bringing alternative to Planning Commission and City Council



## Water Supply and Use

## Introduction

- Topic: overview of water supply and water use
- Results of engagement
  - How can new development be approved if there is a drought?
  - Why are existing residents asked to conserve water and the city is approving new housing?
  - Do we have enough water to support development?
  - Why are we planning for the future when we don't have enough water today?





### **Presenting:**

### Gina Dorrington General Manager

October 18, 2022 General Plan/Water Workshop











- Water Demands
- Supply and Demand Comparisons
- Long-Term Solutions
- Water Supply & Development Policy



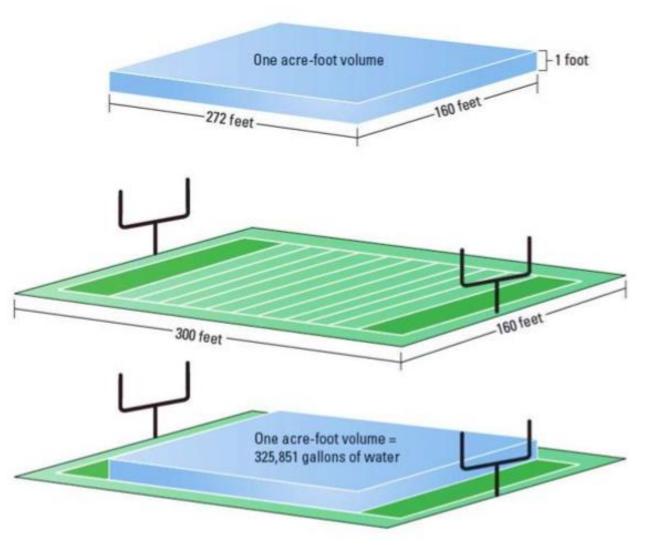
### Terminology



• <u>Water Supply</u> – Amount of available water.

 <u>Water Demand</u> – Or water consumption is the volume of water used by customers.

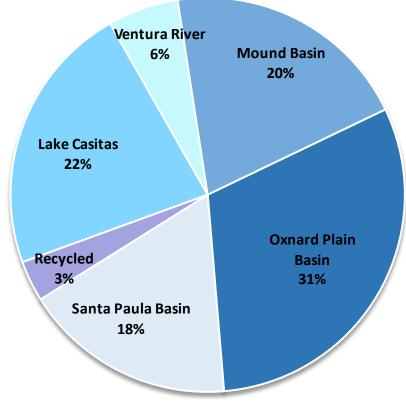
 <u>Acre-foot</u> – 325,851 gallons or 1 acre of area, 1 foot deep.



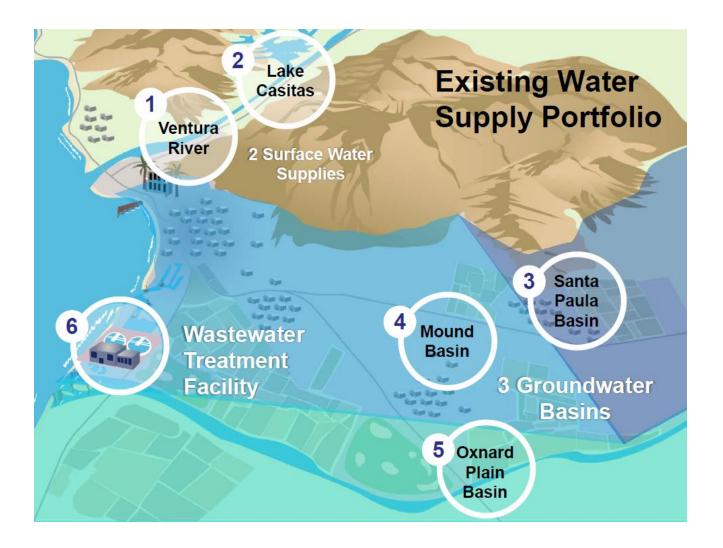


### **Water Supply**





2022 Current Water Supply: 17,224 acre-feet (drought conditions)







#### **Current Water Supplies are Rain Climate Change** Predict increased **Dependent & Vulnerable** frequency and duration of droughts LAKE CASITAS Future decreases to existing VENTURA sources Augment & Diversify Oxnard Basin Supply allocation Portfolio anticipated to decrease by 40% by 2040 Ventura River litigation GROUNDWATER BASINS Lake Casitas levels (31.6%)

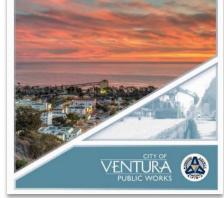


### **Planning Documents**

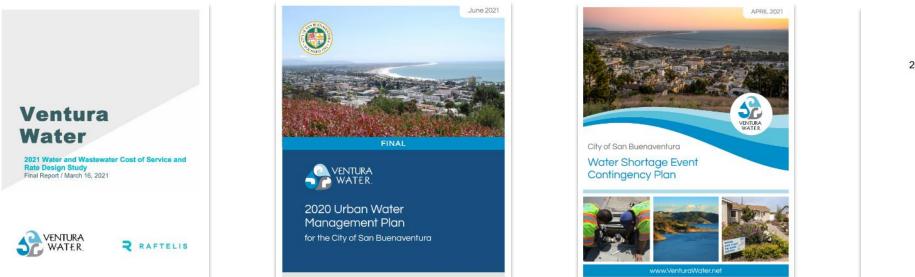




ADOPTED Fiscal Years 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program



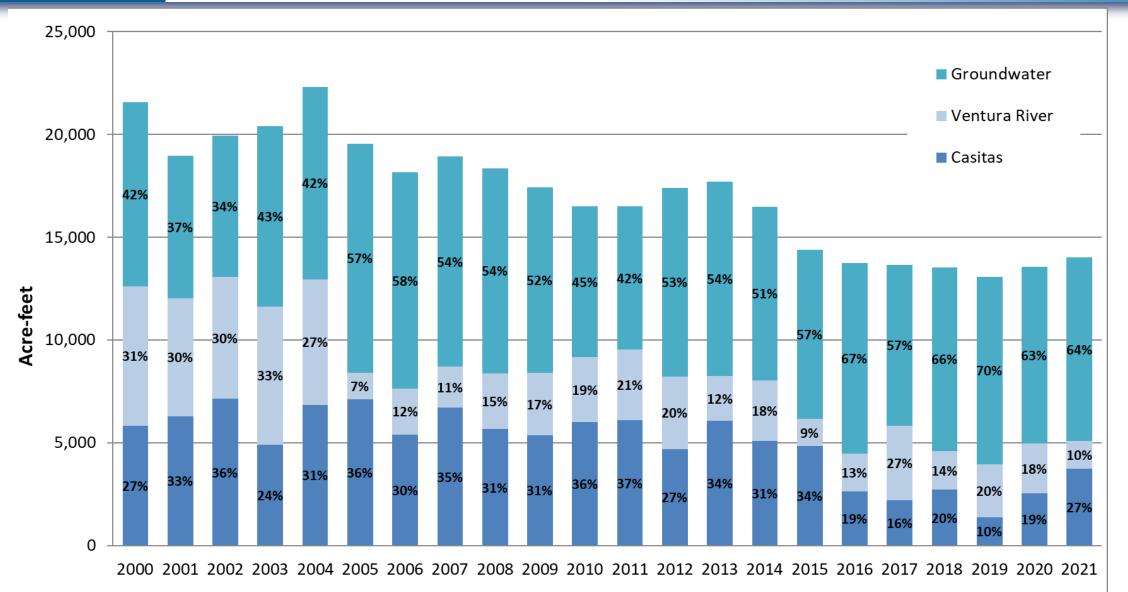
| 2022 COMPREHENSIVE WATER<br>RESOURCES REPORT   |              |  |
|--|--------------|--|
|  | FINAL Report |  |
|  | VETURA       |  |
| Prepared by:<br>Ventura Water<br>501 Poli Street<br>Ventura, CA 93002                            |              |  |
| Staff: Betsy Cooper, P.E.<br>Jernifer Tribo<br>Monics Noeng<br>Nihili Dhi<br>Susan Rungren, P.E. |              |  |
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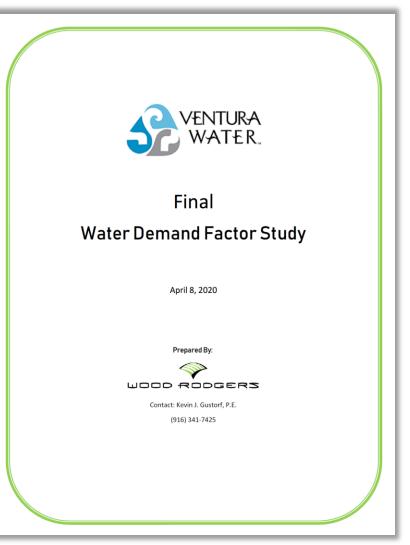


### **Historical Water Use**



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- Water demand factors are used to estimate future water use based on a land use type.
- Demand factors are used as a planning tool to make sure we:
  - 1. Have enough water supply to serve future development, and
  - 2. Our infrastructure (pipelines, pump stations, tanks) have adequate capacity to serve proposed development.

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### **Demand Factors**







### Table 3-6: Projected Water Demand Growth

| Year            | Projected Water Demand (AFY) [3] |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| Baseline Demand | 14,090                           |
| 2022            | 14,257                           |
| 2023            | 14,423                           |
| 2024            | 14,590                           |
| 2025            | 14,756                           |
| 2026            | 14,923                           |
| 2027            | 15,004                           |
| 2028            | 15,086                           |
| 2029            | 15,168                           |
| 2030            | 15,251                           |

### **Projected Demand =**

Baseline Demand (5-year average water use)

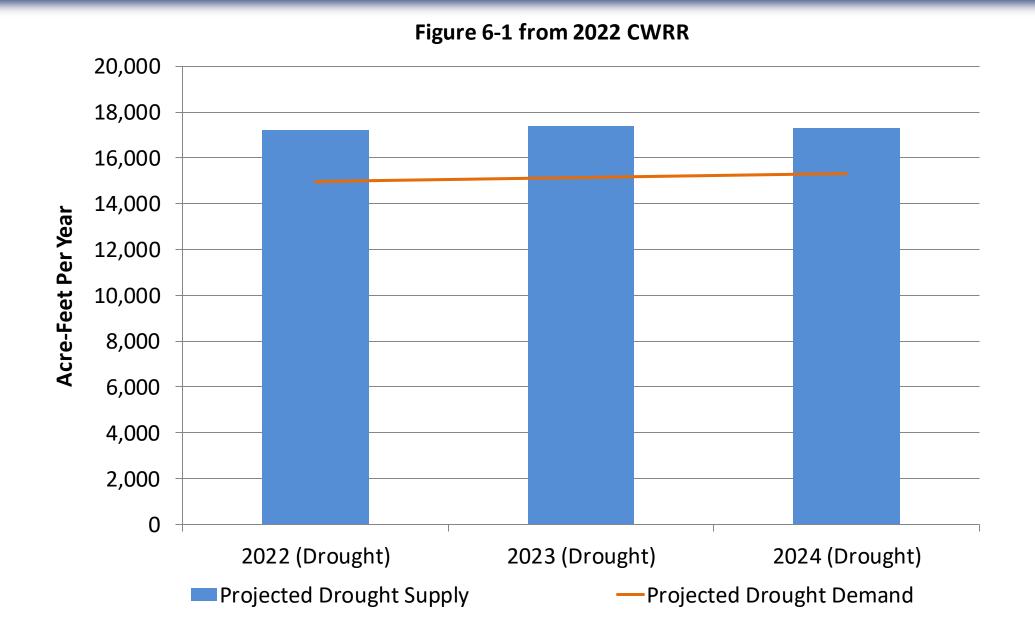
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Demand from Approved and Under Construction Projects

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Demand from Population Growth

## Near-Term Projected Demand vs. Supply VENTUR

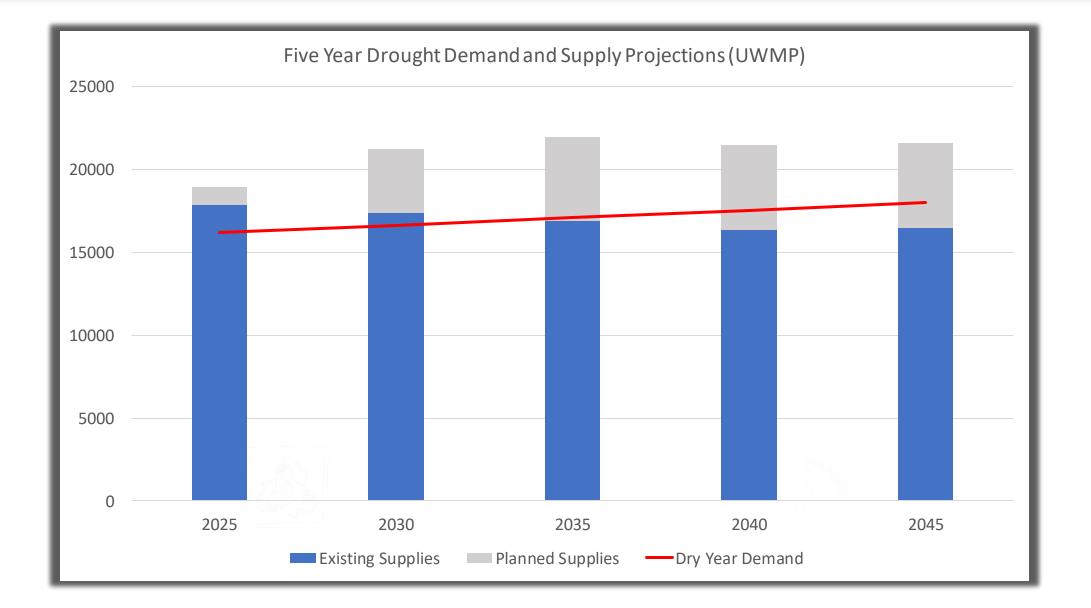


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### Long-Term Demand and Supply Projections



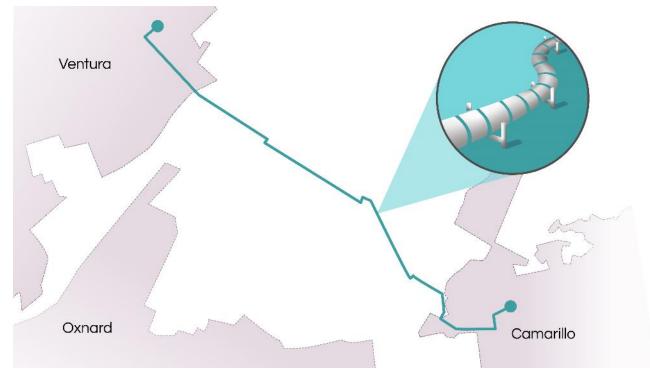




### **Long-Term Solutions**



### **State Water Interconnection Project**



- Now in permitting and design
- Regional Agreements inprogress
- Estimated Start of Construction: 2024



SECURE water supply



EMERGENCY intertie



**IMPROVE** water quality

### **Long-Term Solutions**

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### DROUGHT RESISTANT

Creates a drought-resistant, reliable water supply that isn't dependent on rain

### ENVIRONMENTALLY PROTECTIVE

Reduces water discharge to the estuary, creating a natural environment for endangered species

### HIGH QUALITY

Produces high-quality drinking water



New Outfall and Concentrate Line

Ventura Water Reclamation

Reclamation Facility (VWRF)

New Pumps and pipes VWRF to AWPF

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New Advanced Water Purification Facility (AWPF) New distribution pumps and pipelines

Santa Clara River Estuary New Injection Wells



### Program Components



### **Long-Term Solutions**







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| 2021   | <ul> <li>Governor Newsom calls on Californians to<br/>voluntarily reduce water use by 15%</li> </ul>                              |  |
|--------|---|--|
| 2022   | <ul> <li>State Water Resources Control Board<br/>adopts emergency regulations to<br/>encourage up to 20% water savings</li> </ul> |  |
| Future | <ul> <li>State to set standards on indoor and<br/>outdoor residential water use and CII<br/>outdoor water use</li> </ul>          |  |
| 2027   | <ul> <li>City required to meet standards</li> </ul>   |  |

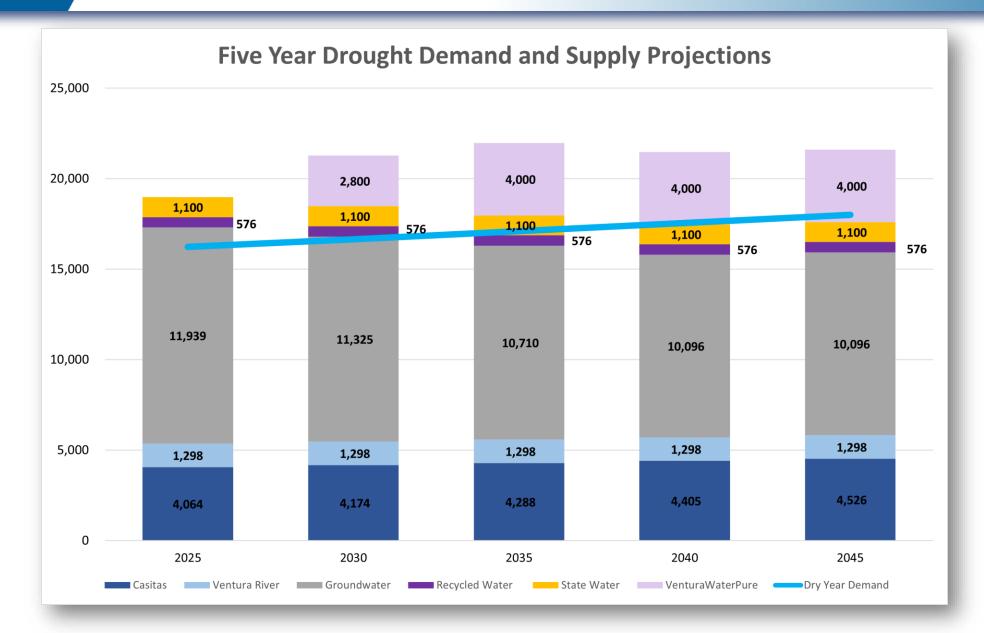
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### Long-Term Demand and Supply Projections







## **Net Zero Policy**



- Requires developers to address water demands of proposed development
- Development must offset increased water demand through one or more options:
  - 1. Water Rights Dedication
  - 2. Extraordinary Conservation
  - 3. Payment of Net Zero Fee
- Net Zero Fee = \_\_\_\_\_AFY (Projected Water Demand) x \$23,604/AFY
- Fees collected fund nearly 60% of the VenturaWaterPure Program



## **Development Example**

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### Description

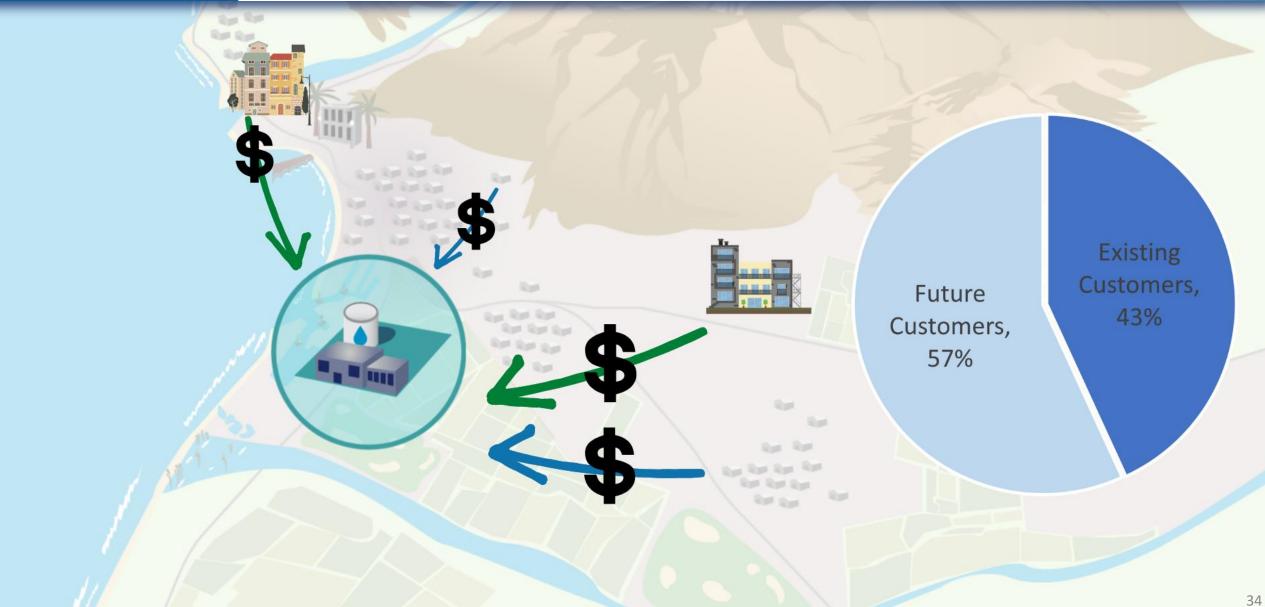
- 231 multi-family units
- 20,000 square foot park

### **Net Zero Fees Paid**

• \$1.6M

Fee proceeds used for new water supply from VenturaWaterPure Program. Additional development fees apply including water connection fees, sewer connection fees, service area park mitigation fee, public park fee, city traffic mitigation fee, school fee, flood control fee, etc.

#### CITY OF Cost Sharing: Existing and Future Customers VENTURA



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### Water Shortage Event Contingency Plan



City of San Buenaventura

#### Water Shortage Event Contingency Plan



www.VenturaWater.net

- Required under the Urban Water Management Act of the California Water Code
- Identifies actions to be taken during the various stages of a water shortage
- Under Stage 6 of the Water Shortage Event Contingency Plan, the issuance of any new development approvals and new water connections other than those required to be processed by state law would be suspended





- Ventura Water continually assesses water supply and demand.
- Local and State water supplies drive conservation requirements.
- Future water supply projects coming online to strengthen water resiliency.
- New development will pay for its share of new water supplies.
- An extreme water shortage event could lead to a building moratorium.

## **Questions?**



# **Public Comments**



# **Close of Meeting**

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