



Agenda Notice Regular Board
Meeting April 16th, 2026

**AGENDA
NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

TIME: 5:30pm

DATE: April 16, 2026

**Location: Quartz Hill Water District
5034 W Avenue L Quartz Hill, CA 93536**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Members of the public shall have an opportunity to comment on each agenda item as the Board is considering it, prior to action being taken.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

6. DISCUSSION ITEM

7. ACTION ITEMS

Matters listed under the consent calendar are considered routine and non-controversial and will be acted upon in one motion in the order listed below. There will be no separate discussion on these matters unless requested by a Member of the Board or the public prior to the time the Board approves the items.

7.1 Consent Calendar

1. Consideration and possible approval of March 19, 2026, minutes of the regular meeting of the board of directors.
2. Consideration and approval of the March check register.
3. Consideration and approval to renew/extend Assistant General Manager, Brach Smith's employment contract.
4. Consideration and approval to amend Cal PERS resolution 08-1231A.

7.2 Action Calendar

1. Consideration and Possible Action on Election of Special District Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Voting Member.

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2. Consideration and possible action to authorize the General Manager to purchase a small utility vehicle (not to exceed amount of \$20,000.00).

8. INFORMATION ITEMS (Written Reports Included)

8.1 Staff Report

1. Report by Administrative Supervisor
2. Report by Assistant General Manager Brach Smith
3. Report by General Manager Brent Byrne

8.2 Director's Report

- Report on Special Districts Association of North L.A. County Luncheon

8.3 Attorney's Report

9. DIRECTOR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10. CLOSED SESSION

A. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Govt Code 54956.8)

1. Property: APN 3110-040-909 and APN 3110-040-910
Agency Negotiator: Brent Byrne
Negotiating Party: City of Lancaster, Trolis Niebla City Manager

B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

1. Existing Litigation (Gov. Code 54956.9 (a))
 - Diamond Farming/Bolthouse Farms Case, Los Angeles County

C. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE/PERSONNEL MATTERS

11. REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

12. ADJOURNMENT

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Quartz Hill Water District

DATE: Thursday, March 19, 2026

TIME: 5:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Quartz Hill Water District, 5034 W Avenue L, Quartz Hill, CA. 93536

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Carter called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Board Members:

- President: Sheldon Carter (Present)
- Vice President: Rod Holtz (Present)
- Director: Allen G. Flick, SR. (Present)
- Director: Dan Massari (Present)
- Director: Lance Pierson (Present)

Others Present:

- Brent Byrne, General Manager
- Brach Smith, Assistant General Manager
- Mrs. Lopez Administrative Supervisor/ Board Secretary
- Brad Weeks, Attorney, Charlton Weeks LLP

Members of the Public: 2 attendees

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- Led by Director Flick.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Action: With no requests for amendments, the agenda was adopted by unanimous assent.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

- No public comment.

6. Discussion Items

- None

7. Action Items

7.1 Consent Calendar

1. Approval of February 19, 2026, Regular Board meeting minutes.
2. Approval of the February check register.

Action: Consent calendar was approved by unanimous assent.

7.2 Action Calendar

1. Consideration and possible action to approve the proposal provided by MKN to complete the Districts 2025 – 2030 Urban Water Management Plan.

Action: Approved the proposal provided by MKN to complete Urban Water Management plan. Motion made by Vice President Holtz, seconded by Director Massari, and approved by all members present.

2. Consideration and possible action to approve a will serve renewal for Tract 84283, located at 70th St West and Avenue L, which includes 56 single family residential lots.

Action: Approved will serve renewal for Tract 84283. Motion made by Director Flick, seconded by Director Massari, and approved by all members present.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

8.1 Staff Reports

1. Administrative Supervisor Mrs. Lopez provided a verbal summary of written report.
2. Assistant General Manager Brach Smith provided a verbal summary of written report.
3. General Manager Brent Byrne provided a verbal summary of written report.

8.2 Report by Directors

- No report.

8.3 Report by Attorney

- No report.

9. DIRECTOR REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- None

10. CLOSED SESSION

- None

11. ADJOURNMENT

President Carter adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Attest:

Sheldon Carter, President

Quartz Hill Water District
 Check/Voucher Register
 From 3/1/2026 Through 3/31/2026

<u>Document Date</u>	<u>Document Number</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Document Amount</u>
3/13/2026	3664	CHRISTA MATEUS	(100.22)
3/13/2026	3666	BERNIE SMITH	(53.20)
3/13/2026	3680	TANIA BLANKENSHIP	(97.73)
3/13/2026	3693	SHALANTA HENDRICKS	(52.25)
3/13/2026	3732	Omar Arriaga	78.61
3/13/2026	3733	William Crafton	65.80
3/13/2026	3734	JENNIFER GREENWALE	132.25
3/13/2026	3735	HP CALIFORNIA I LLC	24.81
3/13/2026	3736	ROBERT MEIER	22.59
3/13/2026	3737	CANDACE R MITCHUM	85.29
3/13/2026	3738	PARACLETE HIGH SCHOOL	1,071.54
3/13/2026	3739	Abelardo Sanchez	82.45
3/13/2026	3740	GAIRD SCHEEL	57.79
3/13/2026	3741	SHALANTA HENDRICKS	52.25
3/13/2026	3742	Tania Blankenship	97.73
3/13/2026	3743	BERNIE SMITH	53.20
3/13/2026	3744	CHRISTA MATEUS	100.22
Report Total			1,621.13

Quartz Hill Water District
 Check/Voucher Register - CHECK REGISTER
 From 3/1/2026 Through 3/31/2026

Document Date	Check Number	Payee	Check Amount
3/18/2026	14586	ACWA JOINT POWERS INSURANCE AUTHORITY	30,221.98
3/18/2026	14587	AFSCME LOCAL 1902	622.74
3/18/2026	14588	ALESHIRE & WYNDER LLP (A&W)	99.20
3/18/2026	14589	Antelope Valley Window Cleaning	30.00
3/18/2026	14590	ATS COMMUNICATIONS	1,135.00
3/18/2026	14591	Antelope Valley East Kern Water Agency	42,474.52
3/18/2026	14592	Antelope Valley East Kern Water Agency	34,969.44
3/18/2026	14593	AXES Fire Protection	947.00
3/18/2026	14594	CHAD'S CHIPPERS TREE SERVICE	1,500.00
3/18/2026	14594	CHAD'S CHIPPERS TREE SERVICE	4,680.00
3/18/2026	14595	CLASSIC CURB	1,150.00
3/18/2026	14596	Coverall North America, Inc.	693.00
3/18/2026	14596	Coverall North America, Inc.	693.00
3/18/2026	14596	Coverall North America, Inc.	693.00
3/18/2026	14597	THE EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	42.00
3/18/2026	14597	THE EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	541.60
3/18/2026	14598	HYDROPRO SOLUTIONS	203,005.83
3/18/2026	14599	Motion Industries	89,937.85
3/18/2026	14600	RBC Inc	3,906.88
3/18/2026	14600	RBC Inc	3,402.00
Report Total			420,745.04

Quartz Hill Water District
Cash Journal - Check Register
From 3/1/2026 Through 3/31/2026

California Bank
& Trust-1101

Document Number	Effective Date	Transaction Description	Journal Vouchers	Type
01	3/2/2026	BANKCARD USA-1015 (FEB 2026 SERVICES)	146.55	JV
02	3/2/2026	BANKCARD USA-GENERAL (FEB 2026 SERVICES)	5,361.16	JV
03	3/3/2026	SCE Power Well 14 (01.14 to 02.12.26) SCE	749.97	JV
03	3/3/2026	SCE Power Well 14 (01.14 to 02.12.26)	118.32	JV
04	3/3/2026	SCE Power (Opp Center 01.14 to 02.12.26) SCE	2,106.69	JV
04	3/3/2026	SCE Power (Opp Center 01.14 to 02.12.26)	771.99	JV
05	3/3/2026	AUTHORIZE.NET (General) Feb 2026 trans-batches	386.90	JV
06	3/3/2026	AUTHORIZE.NET (1015) Feb 2026 trans-batches	12.70	JV
07	3/3/2026	LINCOLN-02.19.26 PAYROLL	2,494.18	JV
08	3/3/2026	CALPERS-CLASSIC (02.19.26 PAYROLL)	5,712.66	JV
09	3/3/2026	CALPERS-PEPRA (02.19.26 PAYROLL)	4,313.07	JV
10	3/3/2026	SHARP-MONTHLY SUPPORT (FEB 2026 SERVICES)	2,335.75	JV
11	3/6/2026	CALPERS-CLASSIC (03.05.26 PAYROLL)	5,862.17	JV
12	3/6/2026	CALPERS-PEPRA (03.05.26 PAYROLL)	4,262.49	JV
13	3/9/2026	LINCOLN-03.05.26 PAYROLL	2,249.42	JV
14	3/10/2026	EDD 03.05.26 SIT PAYROLL TAXES	2,843.96	JV
14	3/10/2026	EDD 03.05.26 SDI PAYROLL TAXES	743.77	JV
15	3/11/2026	IRS 03.05.26 SOCIAL SECURITY-TAXES PAYROLL	7,094.30	JV
15	3/11/2026	IRS 03.05.26 FIT PAYABLE-TAXES PAYROLL	6,776.24	JV
15	3/11/2026	IRS 03.05.26 MEDICARE-TAXES PAYROLL	1,659.22	JV
16	3/16/2026	SCE Power Well 16 (01.29 to 03.01.26)	766.07	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (well 5A) 01.05 to 02.02.26 SCE	5,242.96	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (Well 06) 01.29 to 03.01.26	3,592.97	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (Well 12) 01.29 to 03.01.26	2,339.99	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (well 5A) 01.05 to 02.02.26	2,268.35	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (Ave M Pump) 0.1.02 to 02.01.26 SCE	2,022.39	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (Well 17) 01.14 to 02.12.26 SCE	1,541.59	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (Forecast Pump) 01.26 to 02.24.26 SCE	813.27	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (Ave M Pump) 0.1.02 to 02.01.26	714.48	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (M4 and 50th) 01.05 to 02.02.26 SCE	587.60	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (Well 17) 01.14 to 02.12.26	562.74	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (Cal Prop) 01.05 to 02.02.26 SCE	299.09	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (Well 08) 01.29 to 03.01.26	145.20	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (Tanks on Hill) 01.05 to 02.02.26	123.85	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (Cal Prop) 01.05 to 02.02.26	113.71	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (Forecast Pump) 01.26 to 02.24.26	59.59	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (turn out 70th) 01.05 to 02.02.26	35.89	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (Ave N turnout) 01.05 to 02.02.26 SCE	25.45	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (M4 and 50th) 01.05 to 02.02.26	22.02	JV
17	3/16/2026	SCE Power Multi (Ave N turnout) 01.05 to 02.02.26	8.34	JV
18	3/17/2026	SCE Power Well 7 (01.29 to 03.01.26)	2,939.22	JV
19	3/17/2026	SCE Power Well 9 (01.29 to 03.01.26) SCE	2,591.07	JV
19	3/17/2026	SCE Power Well 9 (01.29 to 03.01.26)	82.92	JV
20	3/17/2026	AGRO-TECH LANDSCAPING (MARCH 2026) OP CNTR	945.00	JV
21	3/17/2026	WELLS FARGO-BANK SAFEKEEP	50.00	JV
22	3/17/2026	Culligan (March 2026 services) Well-5a water softner	59.65	JV

Quartz Hill Water District
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Document Number	Effective Date	Transaction Description	Journal Vouchers	Type
23	3/17/2026	Culligan (March 2026 services) Well-7 water softner	66.21	JV
24	3/17/2026	Culligan (August 2025 services) Well-9 water softner	59.65	JV
25	3/18/2026	SCE Power Well 15 (01.30 to 03.02.26) SCE	1,192.94	JV
26	3/18/2026	Ferguson (C.I.P.) Fire hydrant replacements	12,202.17	JV
26	3/18/2026	Ferguson (1 inch copper tubing) Inv 02.09.26	10,310.86	JV
26	3/18/2026	Ferguson (1 inch copper tubing) Inv 01.23.26	4,706.16	JV
26	3/18/2026	Ferguson (Air Vac Can)	1,287.54	JV
26	3/18/2026	Ferguson (PJ CONN KIT)	311.08	JV
26	3/18/2026	Ferguson (Angle Stop Key)	184.20	JV
27	3/18/2026	LA COUNTY WATER WORKS (03.09.26 BILLING) LANE RANCH	347.82	JV
28	3/18/2026	EideBailly (February 2026 services)	7,920.00	JV
29	3/19/2026	CINTAS (UNIFORM SERVICE) 02.19 to 03.12.26 Invoices	436.28	JV
30	3/19/2026	So Cal Gas (Ave M pump) 01.28 to 02.27.26	46.64	JV
31	3/19/2026	INFOSEND (02.04.26 POSTAGE)	3,558.26	JV
31	3/19/2026	INFOSEND (02.04.26 BILLING SERVICES)	911.70	JV
31	3/19/2026	INFOSEND (02.10.26 POSTAGE)	317.52	JV
31	3/19/2026	INFOSEND (02.10.26 LATE NOTICES)	72.51	JV
32	3/23/2026	Cal Bank and Trust Analysis (Feb 2026 Bank Fees)	2,020.39	JV
33	3/24/2026	WASTE MANAGEMENT (FEB 2026 SERVICES) 03.01.26 INVOIC	150.21	JV
34	3/24/2026	EDD 03.19.26 SIT PAYROLL TAXES	2,772.66	JV
34	3/24/2026	EDD 03.19.26 SDI PAYROLL TAXES	739.79	JV
35	3/24/2026	CALPERS-CLASSIC (03.19.26 PAYROLL)	5,711.31	JV
36	3/24/2026	CALPERS-PEPRA (03.19.26 PAYROLL)	4,539.63	JV
37	3/24/2026	LINCOLN 03.19.26 PAYROLL	2,501.04	JV
38	3/24/2026	SO CAL GAS (OPERATIONS CENTER) 01.28 to 02.27.26	25.27	JV
39	3/25/2026	IRS 03.19.26 SOCIAL SECURITY-TAXES PAYROLL	7,056.22	JV
39	3/25/2026	IRS 03.19.26 FIT PAYABLE-TAXES PAYROLL	6,681.66	JV
39	3/25/2026	IRS 03.19.26 MEDICARE-TAXES PAYROLL	1,650.26	JV
40	3/31/2026	SHARP-MONTHLY SUPPORT (MARCH 2026 SERVICES)	2,292.00	JV
Report Total			164,026.90	



MEMORANDUM

TO: PRESIDING OFFICER OF EACH INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT IN
LOS ANGELES COUNTY

FROM: WILLIAM F. KRUSE

RE: BALLOT; SPECIAL DISTRICT LAFCO REPRESENTATIVE

DATE: March 9, 2026

Enclosed is the Ballot and the supplementary materials submitted for each of the candidates for Special District LAFCO **VOTING MEMBER** for the term expiring in May 2030. Nominations closed as of 5:00 p.m. on March 6, 2026.

Please vote for ONE candidate for the position. The marked ballot should be placed in the envelope marked "Ballot Envelope" and sealed. Please write the name of your agency and sign your name on the outside of the ballot envelope and return the completed ballot by mail to:

William F. Kruse, Esq.
Lagerlof, LLP
155 N. Lake Avenue, 11th Floor
Pasadena, CA 91101.

No ballot will be counted if it is missing the name of the voting agency and the signature of the Presiding Officer on the ballot envelope.

The candidate receiving the highest number of votes will be declared the Special District **Voting Member** to LAFCO.

Ballots must be returned by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 1, 2026.

WFK/kn
Enclosures

cc(w/ encls.): Paul Novak

BALLOT

SPECIAL DISTRICT LAFCO VOTING MEMBER

Please vote for no more than one candidate.

GARY BURNS

Occupation: Board of Directors

Sponsor: Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

VERA ROBLES DeWITT

Occupation: Board of Directors

Sponsor: Water Replenishment District of Southern California

ROBERT W. LEWIS

Occupation: Board of Directors

Sponsor: Rowland Water District

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **VOTING MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

Date: 3/6/26

Name of Candidate: Gary Burns

Las Virgenes Municipal Water District is pleased to nominate

Gary Burns as a candidate for appointment as special district **voting**

member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Board of Directors

Agency: Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

Type of Agency: Special District Water and Wastewater

Term Expires: December 2026

Residence Address: 22118 Dardenne St. Calabasas CA 91302

Telephone: 818-326-2000

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

(Name of Agency)

By: 

Its: Andy Coradeschi, Board President

NOMINATION

Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO):

Nomination of Candidate for Special District Board Member

Gary Burns, Candidate for LAFCO Member Position 2026

I would like to thank each district board as I am asking for your vote, to become a full member of the LAFCO Board.

It is time to add “fresh” ideas and excitement to how LAFCO communicates and operates. To that end, please call me at 818 326 2000 to discuss your specific issues. I will listen intently, absorbing your insight.

I hope to visit each of your Board Meetings via zoom or in person to introduce myself, listen to what is important to your district and provide the confidence that I can lead LAFCO into the future.

I desire to serve as a LAFCO Board Member to further serve the community, each of our districts and provide “new” and “environmental” input to the Los Angeles Region and the Supervisors we report to. Few citizens know what LAFCO accomplishes or what the initials stand for. I intend to change that.

As with the homeowners of Calabasas and the entire www.LVMWD.com area, I am available to advocate for or listen to constituents whenever needed. I pledge to do the same for ALL LAFCO Districts.

Gary Burns was elected to the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District Board in 2022. (Division 3, currently Secretary). He is the first Calabasas resident to serve on the District Water Board. **Since his time on the District Board, he has imbued his efforts with energy and the desire to effect change.** He has visited various local and state water facilities and Districts. **He is a member of ACWA, CASA, WaterReuse and has attended their conventions throughout the year, attaining insight into District, State and Water Policy. He is serving on the Business Development Committee of ACWA Region 8. He is championing a Heli-Hydrant project with Los Angeles County Fire, the City of Calabasas and the local Council of Governments.**

In his efforts to search for new sources of water, Gary has visited the future SITES Reservoir Project, the Delta Project, and various Metropolitan Water District facilities, including the in-development Carson Pure Water Plant, etc. His goal is to ensure there is a sufficient water supply for future generations, while preserving the environment in Southern California, the State of California, and the United States.

Growing up on the East Coast, Gary moved to California in 1989, watched the City of Calabasas incorporate in 1991 and has been a resident of Calabasas for the past 35 years. He attended Fairleigh Dickenson (FDU) and Hofstra University where he received a BA and Master’s in Psychology and an MBA in Business and Finance.

Gary has been President of the Mulholland Heights Homeowners Association for the past 10 years. Currently, he is a Board Member of The Valley Economic Alliance (ww.thevalley.net) Community Associations Institute, 2018 - 2024 (CAI of Greater Los Angeles County), a Board Member of CAI International, National Homeowner Leaders Council 2021 – 2024 and recognized by CAI Los Angeles for Excellence in Community Leadership.

He is also a founding member of EPIC, (Emergency Preparedness in Calabasas, www.epic-fsc.com), volunteers for many local community activities, and is a Life and Health Insurance Broker (<https://garyburns.businesslinksolutions.net>).

Thank You for your vote and consideration of Gary Burns for LAFCO Board Member (818 326 2000 mobile/text)

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **VOTING MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: Sergio Calderon

Date: 3-3-26

Name of Candidate: Vera Robles DeWitt

Sergio Calderon is pleased to nominate
Vera Robles DeWitt as a candidate for appointment as special district **voting**

member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Director, Treasurer Div 5

Agency: Water Replenishment District of So Cal
WRD

Type of Agency: Groundwater Replenishment

Term Expires: Nov 2029

Residence Address: 24728 Panama Avenue
Carson, California 90745

Telephone: 310 505-8353

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

Water Replenishment District of So. Calif (WRD)
(Name of Agency)

By: 

Its: President, Board of Directors

NOMINATION



LAFCO

Independent Special District Member
Candidate Statement

Vera Robles DeWitt

I respectfully seek your support for my candidacy to represent you as your representative on the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) as the designee for all Independent Special Districts.

I currently serve as an elected Director for the Water Replenishment District of Southern California (WRD). I have served continuously on the WRD Board since 2018 and was overwhelmingly re-elected in November 2024. I was directly elected to represent an area with 738,851 residents that encompasses 14 special Districts; specifically, the following:

- 16 school districts
- 29 water districts
- And for geographic context 10 cities, Bellflower, Carson, Downey, Hacienda Heights, La Habra Heights, La Mirada, Norwalk, Paramount, Santa Fe Springs and Whittier along with numerous unincorporated areas of LA County.

During my tenure I have made it a point to know and visit all special districts because I want to be accessible and available to you, which is what I promise to be if you elect me as your Independent Special District representative to LAFCO.

BACKGROUND

For years I have been involved in many civic/non-profit programs. In 1992 I was the founding president of our local chapter of the Boys and Girls Club, and a founding board member of the Dominguez Family Shelter for abused and battered women. I am on the board of directors for the Carson Community Foundation and currently serve as Vice President of my local Kiwanis Club. Also, for the last eight years I've served as a member of the Executive Board for the South County Labor, AFL-CIO. And for the last 3 years have served as a board member representing a special district on the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (JPIA) formed for mitigating the growing risks of public agencies.

I have been a homeowner since 1964, and as a single parent I raised one son, a member of IBEW Local 47 and one granddaughter who is a commercial airline pilot Captain.

I would be honored to represent you and promise to provide you with updates of LAFCO's activities so you are no longer in the dark left wondering what is going on at LAFCO, and with your support I look forward to contributing in a meaningful way to LAFCO and be a compelling voice for you and on behalf of all Independent Special Districts.

Vera Robles DeWitt
310 505.8353
Veradewitt22@gmail.com

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **VOTING MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: Rowland Water District

Date: February 23, 2026

Name of Candidate: Robert W. Lewis

Rowland Water District is pleased to nominate
Robert W. Lewis as a candidate for appointment as special district **voting**

member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Director, Division IV

Agency: Rowland Water District

Type of Agency: Special District Water Agency

Term Expires: December 2026

Residence Address: 2231 S. Fullerton Road Unit #8,
Rowland Heights, CA 91748

Telephone: 626-964-0875

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

Rowland Water District

(Name of Agency)

By: 

Its: Board President

NOMINATION









LAFCO Candidate Statement

Robert W. Lewis

As the incumbent Special District Voting Member to the Los Angeles County Local Agency Formation Commission, I am respectfully seeking reappointment to continue the work I have been privileged to take part in. With nearly 34 years of service to Rowland Water District and its ratepayers, and direct experience serving on this Commission, I bring institutional knowledge and operational continuity that serves LAFCO and the public it represents.

Residents rightly expect their government to operate with full transparency and accountability. As LAFCO’s special district representative, I have embraced that responsibility in every matter before the Commission. Whether reviewing agency boundaries, evaluating service adequacy, or weighing consolidation decisions, I have applied a consistent standard: the public must be able to understand what is being decided, why it is being decided, and how it serves their interests. Reappointment means that standard continues without interruption.

My career in local government began on the City of Fullerton’s Redevelopment Commission and has grown into decades of active participation across regional water, utility, and policy bodies. This experience has given me a firsthand understanding of how agencies interact, where collaboration succeeds, and where gaps in coordination create real costs for communities. I currently represent Rowland Water District across the following:

-  Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Region 8 Board Member; ACWA is a statewide industry group that monitors and influences legislation and policies affecting water supply
-  ACWA/Joint Powers Insurance Authority Alternate Voting Representative
-  Puente Basin Water Agency Board of Commissioners; this commission coordinates and secures supplemental funding for projects that improve regional water quality
-  California Municipal Utilities Association (CMUA); this association represents its members’ interests on energy and water issues before the California Legislature, the Governor’s Office, and regulatory bodies
-  San Gabriel Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee Member
-  Several LAFCO Committees, including the Special Districts Ad Hoc Committee in the 1990s which was instrumental in establishing the LAFCO Special Districts seat, a seat I have now had the honor of holding as the incumbent voting member.

Continuity at the Commission level produces results. As the sitting voting member, I have developed working relationships with fellow commissioners, county staff, and agency representatives that allow business to move forward efficiently and collaboratively. The institutional memory I hold, from the history of the Special Districts seat itself to the current landscape of service challenges across Los Angeles County, is an asset that reappointment preserves.

I am proud of the record built during my tenure and remain fully committed to the responsibilities this seat carries. I respectfully request reappointment as the Special District Voting Member to LAFCO for the County of Los Angeles and look forward to continuing this important work on behalf of the districts and residents we serve.

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NAME OF AGENCY

SIGNATURE OF PRESIDING OFFICER



MEMORANDUM

TO: PRESIDING OFFICER OF EACH INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT IN
LOS ANGELES COUNTY

FROM: WILLIAM F. KRUSE

RE: ELECTION OF LAFCO ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE (UNOPPOSED)

DATE: March 9, 2026

The nomination for LAFCO Alternate Representative closed as of 5:00 p.m. on March 6, 2026. One (1) nomination was received for LAFCO Alternate Representative. The results are as follows:

JORGE MARQUEZ

Mr. Marquez will serve as Alternate LAFCO Representative with his term beginning on Monday, May 4, 2026.

WFK/kn
Enclosures

cc(w/ encls.): Paul Novak

OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **ALTERNATE MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: Three Valleys Municipal Water District

Date: February 10, 2026

Name of Candidate: Jorge Marquez

Three Valleys Municipal Water District is pleased to nominate
Jorge Marquez as a candidate for appointment as special district **alternate member** to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Board of Directors

Agency: Three Valleys Municipal Water District

Type of Agency: Special District - Wholesale Water Agency

Term Expires: December 2028

Residence Address: 1747 Home Terrace Dr., Pomona, CA 91768

Telephone: 626-991-0247

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

Three Valleys Municipal Water District

(Name of Agency)

By: Matthew H. Litchfield, P.E.

Its: General Manager/Chief Engineer



**RESUME FOR LOCAL AGENCY
FORMATION COMMISSION FOR
THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Alternate Member

**JORGE A.
MARQUEZ**

DIRECTOR, THREE VALLEYS MWD

CONTACT



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www.tvmwd.com

PERSONAL

- Real Estate Agent
- Government Affairs Consultant
- Married and a Father
- Member of Various Service Clubs
- Educator

EDUCATION

- **B.A Political Science & Minor
Communications Studies**
Cal Poly Pomona
2006

PUBLIC SERVICE HISTORY

I respectfully submit my resume for the alternate member position for LAFCO. I have two decades of experience in legislative affairs and local government across Los Angeles County and the San Gabriel Valley. My career in public service began in 2006 as a legislative staffer in the California State Assembly and later the State Senate, where for 12 years I worked on policy issues including water, housing, and public safety. In 2013, I was elected to the Covina City Council, where I served until 2022. During my tenure, I represented the region on multiple regional governing bodies. In 2024, I was elected to the Three Valleys Municipal Water District. This combination of state legislative experience and local elected service has prepared me to be a collaborative and effective partner for this position.

PUBLIC SERVICE TIMELINE HIGHLIGHTS

• **COVINA CITY COUNCIL**

2013-2022 (City Council) Mayor (2017-2018; 2021-2022)

• **SAN GABRIEL BASIN WATER QUALITY AUTHORITY**

2017-2022 (Boardmember) Chairman (2017-2020)

• **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS**

2019-2022 (Regional Councilmember District 33)

2020-2022 (Chairman Community, Economic, and Human Development Committee)

• **THREE VALLEYS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**

2024-present (Director Division 6)

1. Administrative Team

Over the past month, office staff have continued cross-training on credit card statement processing. Staff are now working together to develop ideas for a water conservation billboard and a summer newsletter. The field staff completed a round of meter and transmitter changeouts last month which reduced the number of transmitters not sending an electronic reads to 159. The field staff have been provided with a list and are now working on a plan to complete additional changeouts, which will help streamline the billing process next month.

Door Tags, Shut- Off for Non-Payment and Average Past Due Amount

	2026				
Month	Late Notices	Shut Off Notices	Shut Off for Non-Payment	Closed Next Day	Average Past Due
March	373	165	32	9	\$68.96
Annual Total	1231	511	101	19	\$63.53

2. Customer Outreach

Over this past billing period, 24 accounts appeared on our high usage list with bills over \$400.00. After reviewing each account, we found that four accounts had active leak alarms, and three accounts had continuous leak alarms, one customer had a new leak fixed it and completed a leak adjustment application. After every billing period we continue to reach out to our customers when they have active leak alarms. By reaching out to them directly we hope to address possible issues early and avoid unnecessary water loss or charges.

Thank you,

Mrs. Lopez Administrative Services Supervisor

1. Meter Replacement

During the past month, staff completed more than 400 residential meter replacements as part of the District's Capital Improvement Plan. These new meters enhance reading accuracy, expedite the monthly meter reading and billing process, and provide customers with access to their water usage data through the MyWaterAdvisor app. Meter replacements will continue as an ongoing capital project over the next 10 years.



2. Proactive Service Line Replacement

In addition to responding to emergency service line leak repairs, field staff have initiated proactive service line replacements in areas with a documented history of failures. Replacing service lines before failure reduces overtime costs, minimizes water loss, and results in overall cost savings for the District.



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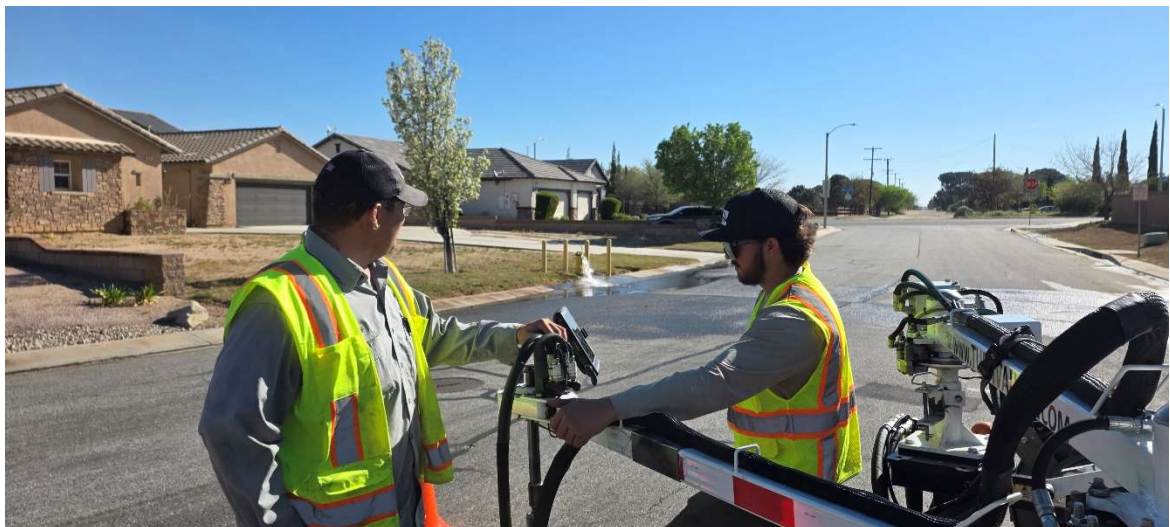
3. Mainline Valve Replacements

The annual valve replacement program is underway, and staff have completed their second valve replacement of the calendar year. Valves identified as defective during last year's valve-exercising cycle have been scheduled for replacement throughout the year. These defective valves complicate isolation procedures and can lead to additional service interruptions during repairs.



4. Valve Turning and Flushing

As part of the routine annual maintenance of our distribution system, staff conduct valve turning and flushing. Exercising the District's valves prevents corrosion build-up and minimizes the chance of a valve lockup. This program also ensures that water quality standards are maintained. More than 550 valves have been exercised so far this year.



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5. Hydrant Maintenance

Staff continue to conduct routine maintenance on the 631 hydrants within our District. This generally consists of flushing, painting, replacing internal seals, and even removing weeds around the hydrant. This maintenance ensures that the hydrants are visible and ready to provide fire protection to our customers.



6. Weed Abatement

Our Facilities crew has been working hard this season, mowing and grading District sites to clear overgrown weeds. These proactive weed abatement efforts not only improve the appearance of our sites but also help us stay in compliance with the County's regulations for maintaining undeveloped parcels.



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7. Water Levels

Monthly monitoring of the district owned groundwater levels continues. These levels are currently stable and on par with historical averages. Proactive groundwater management is a priority of the District's commitment to preserving long-term reliable sources.

8. Water Availability

Monitoring of State water supply, groundwater supply, conservation cutbacks, and other available water resources continue to be a priority of management. Operational changes are made daily to utilize all available water resources and minimize production costs.

Thank you,

Brach Smith

Assistant General Manager

Dear Directors,

March was a productive time for the QHWD team. The field crews remained busy with the typical seasonal service line leaks, mainline valve replacement, facility site maintenance, customer service, and training. Staff training continues to be a priority for the team. The administrative staff continued the customer outreach services through contacting customers who used 150% of their respective monthly usage. Many customers expressed appreciation for the phone call. For more insight into the field operations and capital improvement projects please see Assistant General Manager Brach Smith's report.

Water Supply Report

The State has finalized the "Making Conservation a California Way of Life Regulation". The District has already adopted several of the key actions in accordance with the regulation and will tailor our outreach messages to further promote the regulation. See the following web link for more information on this matter:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/conservation/regs/water_efficiency_legislation.html

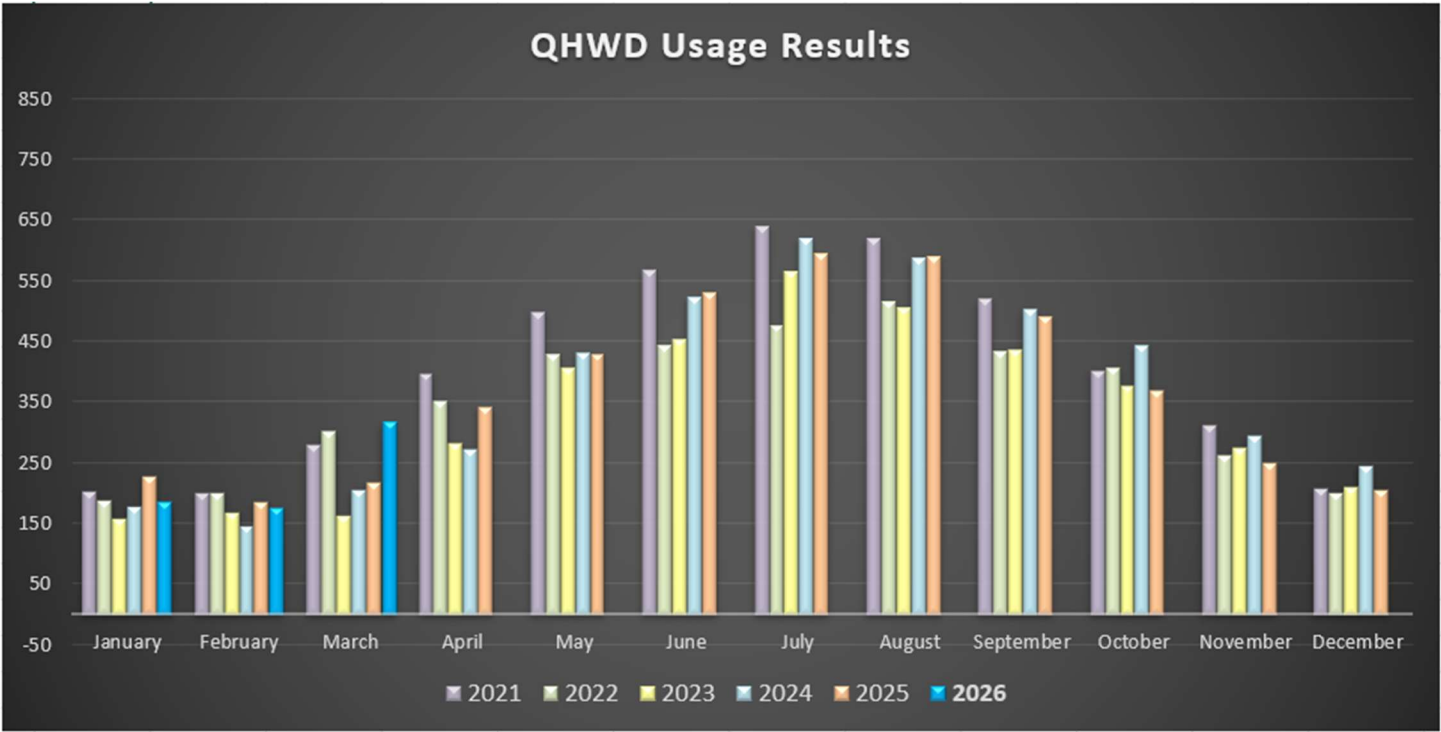
Several reports have come out in which State reservoirs are at above average levels. The state's largest reservoirs, Shasta Lake and Lake Oroville, were measured at a respective 116% and 130% of their historical averages for early March. However, the State is starting to monitor first signs of drought due to the second lowest snowpack recorder for this time of the year. We will continue to monitor this as well.

The warm weather in March caused a significant increase in production and the highest March usage since 2015.

- Total production was 317.20 acre-feet, up 45 % from last year and 44% from 2020.
- The split was 47% AVEK, 53% wells.
- Average well runtime was 6.32 hours per day
- Residential per capita was 160.55
- Average daily demand was 3.31 MGD, with highest day being 4.57 MGD on 3/24. The lowest day was 2.33 MGD on 3/1.

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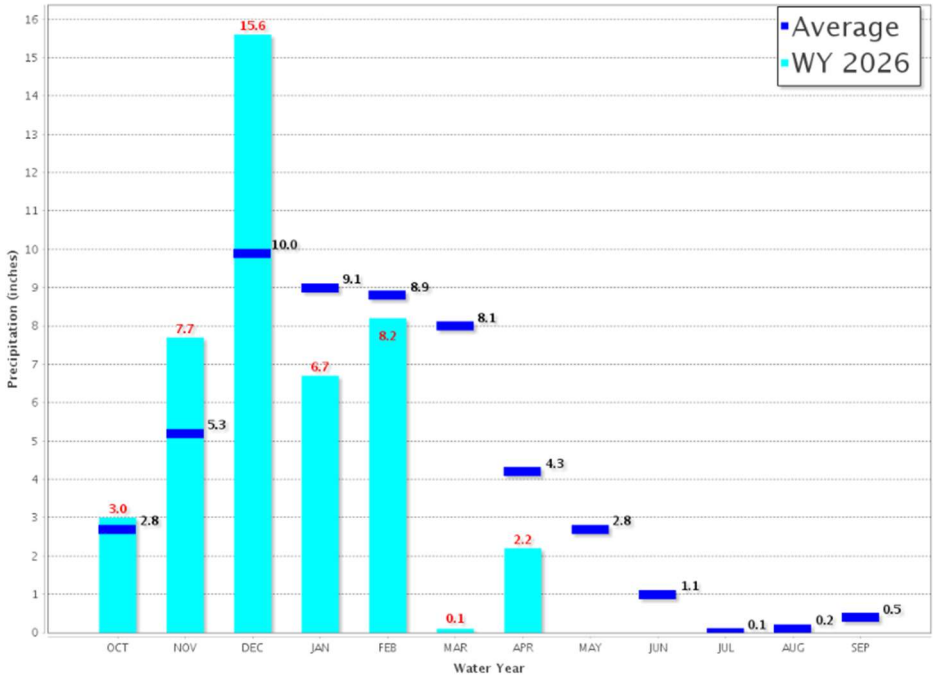


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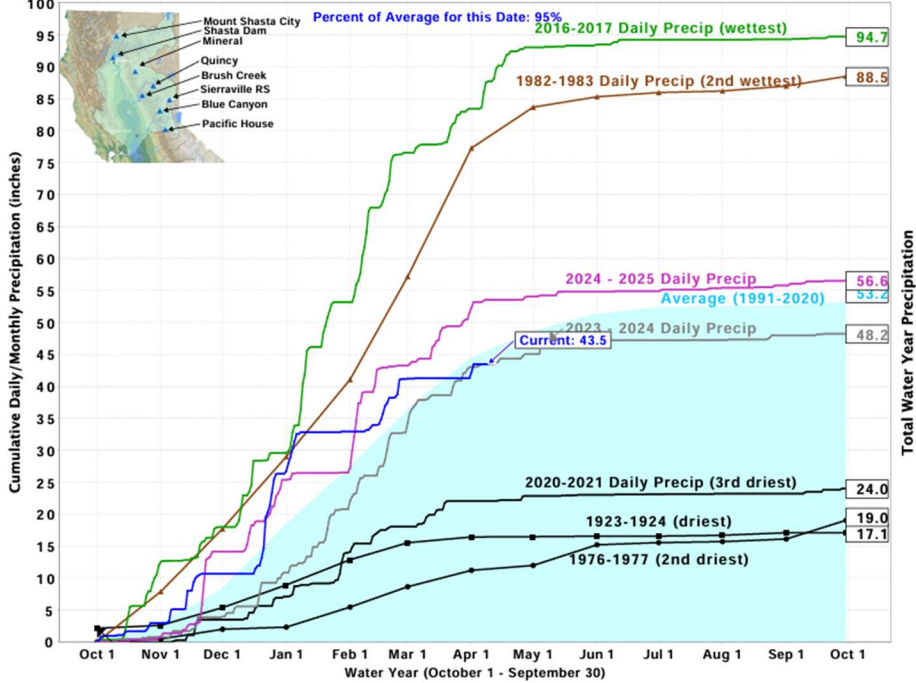
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Note: Monthly totals may not add up to seasonal total because of rounding

Water Year Monthly totals are calculated based on Daily precipitation data from 12am to 12am PST

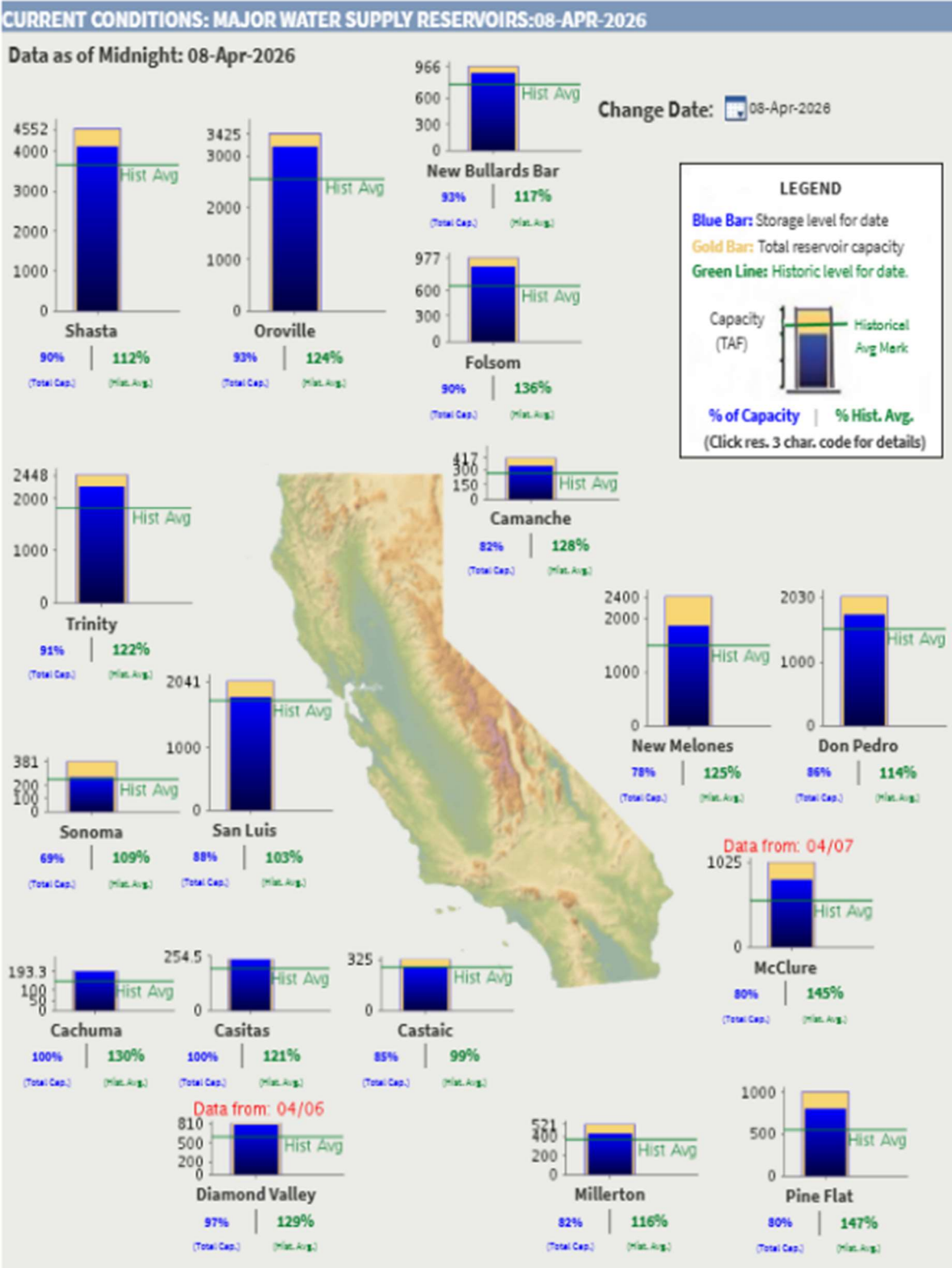


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Daily Reservoir Storage Summary: <https://cdec.water.ca.gov/reservoir.html>

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Income/Expense Report

February was a decent month with the District’s revenues on par and investments performing well. Water deliveries were slightly lower than the previous year. The depreciation fund (non-cash operating expense) was fully funded (\$117k). We are anticipating higher revenues for March, based on an abnormally high month for historical usage.

**Quartz Hill Water District
Capital Outlay
FY 2025-26 - February 2026**

CIP Project	FY 24-25 Adopted Budget (For Reference)	FY 25-26 Adopted Budget	YTD Actuals Through 2/28/26	Remaining Budget	YTD% of Budget
Well 8 Rehabilitation	\$ 250,000	\$ -	COMPLETED FY 24-25	-	-
Re-Coat 75th St Tank Interior & Exterior	550,000	-	COMPLETED FY 24-25	-	-
Replace Booster Pump M-4 and 50th St W	20,000	-	COMPLETED FY 24-25	-	-
Class 6 Field Service Truck (Petbuilt Truck)	350,000	-	365,277	(15,277)	104%
Class 8 Dump Truck	250,000	-	277,181	(27,181)	111%
Valve & Hydrant Replacement (Ongoing)	30,000	40,000	-	40,000	0%
Large Meter Replacement (Ongoing)	20,000	20,000	-	20,000	0%
Small Meter Replacement (Ongoing)	-	200,000	-	200,000	0%
Large Purchase Two(2) New Crew Trucks-EV	-	200,000	105,315	94,685	53%
Meter Box Lid Replacements	-	50,000	-	50,000	0%
Rehab One(1) Groundwater Well	-	150,000	-	150,000	0%
Site 32 Improvements & Well Constuction	-	676,170	24,520	651,650	4%
Site 32 Standby House	-	-	63,375	(63,375)	N/A
Cal Prop Emergency Backup Pump	-	80,000	-	80,000	0%
Total	\$ 1,470,000	\$ 1,416,170	\$ 835,668	\$ 1,180,502	59%

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Quartz Hill Water District
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
From 2/1/2026 Through 2/28/2026

	February 2026 Actual	FY 25-26 YTD Actual	FY 25-26 Budget
Revenues			
Operating Revenues from Rates			
Water Sales - Usage	128,409.05	2,491,932.22	3,686,944.00
Water Service Charges	<u>197,782.61</u>	<u>1,583,653.27</u>	<u>2,385,726.00</u>
Total Operating Revenues from Rates	326,191.66	4,075,585.49	6,072,670.00
Other Operating Revenues			
Other Operating Revenues	<u>7,612.51</u>	<u>81,807.13</u>	<u>83,143.00</u>
Total Other Operating Revenues	7,612.51	81,807.13	83,143.00
Non-Operating Revenues			
Construction & Development	500.00	6,000.00	22,209.00
Capacity Charges	0.00	73,545.00	100,000.00
Water Replenishment Fees	0.00	50,220.00	0.00
Investment Earnings/(Losses)	62,210.99	466,562.23	487,636.00
Taxes & Assessments	28,341.28	390,031.36	562,943.00
Rents & Leases	4,613.85	85,814.28	108,443.00
Other Non-Operating Revenues	<u>5,624.02</u>	<u>11,209.33</u>	<u>18,775.00</u>
Total Non-Operating Revenues	<u>101,290.14</u>	<u>1,083,382.20</u>	<u>1,300,006.00</u>
Total Revenues	<u>435,094.31</u>	<u>5,240,774.82</u>	<u>7,455,819.00</u>
Expenses			
Water Purchases	77,789.65	1,431,909.14	2,013,999.00
Salaries & Benefits	177,191.32	1,555,742.03	2,367,250.00
Operations & Maintenance	52,044.19	661,126.47	1,100,663.00
General & Administrative	<u>36,415.09</u>	<u>859,394.66</u>	<u>1,258,194.00</u>
Total Expenses	<u>343,440.25</u>	<u>4,508,172.30</u>	<u>6,740,106.00</u>
Net Income (Loss) Subtotal	<u>91,654.06</u>	<u>732,602.52</u>	<u>715,713.00</u>
Non-Cash Operating Expenses			
Depreciation Expense	<u>103,266.03</u>	<u>798,245.34</u>	<u>1,344,395.00</u>
Total Non-Cash Operating Expenses	<u>103,266.03</u>	<u>798,245.34</u>	<u>1,344,395.00</u>
Net Income (Loss) Total	<u>(11,611.97)</u>	<u>(65,642.82)</u>	<u>(628,682.00)</u>

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Other News

1. The Board of Supervisors approved the Tax Transfer Resolution (TTR) on April 7th for Reorganization No. 2024-02. This item will appear on the LAFCO Agenda on May 13th. This has been a long process regarding QHWD and LACWW District 40 boundaries. Congrats to all the people who have helped with this project over the past 2 years.
2. Sadley, Mr. Jack Crouse who served at the District for over 30 years has passed away. He had been retired for several years. I had the privilege to learn the ropes of the water industry from Mr. Crouse. He was one of the hardest working men I have met over the years. He also proudly served our country in Vietnam. The District donated to plant 10 trees in Mr. Crouse's name through his obituary.



This concludes my report, and as always please contact me with any questions or concerns at brentb@qhwd.org

Thank you,

Brent Byrne

General Manager

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