



# Water Supply Master Plan 2050 Development Update

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# WSMP 2050 Updates

Goals

Planning horizon

Wider range of values

Portfolio approach

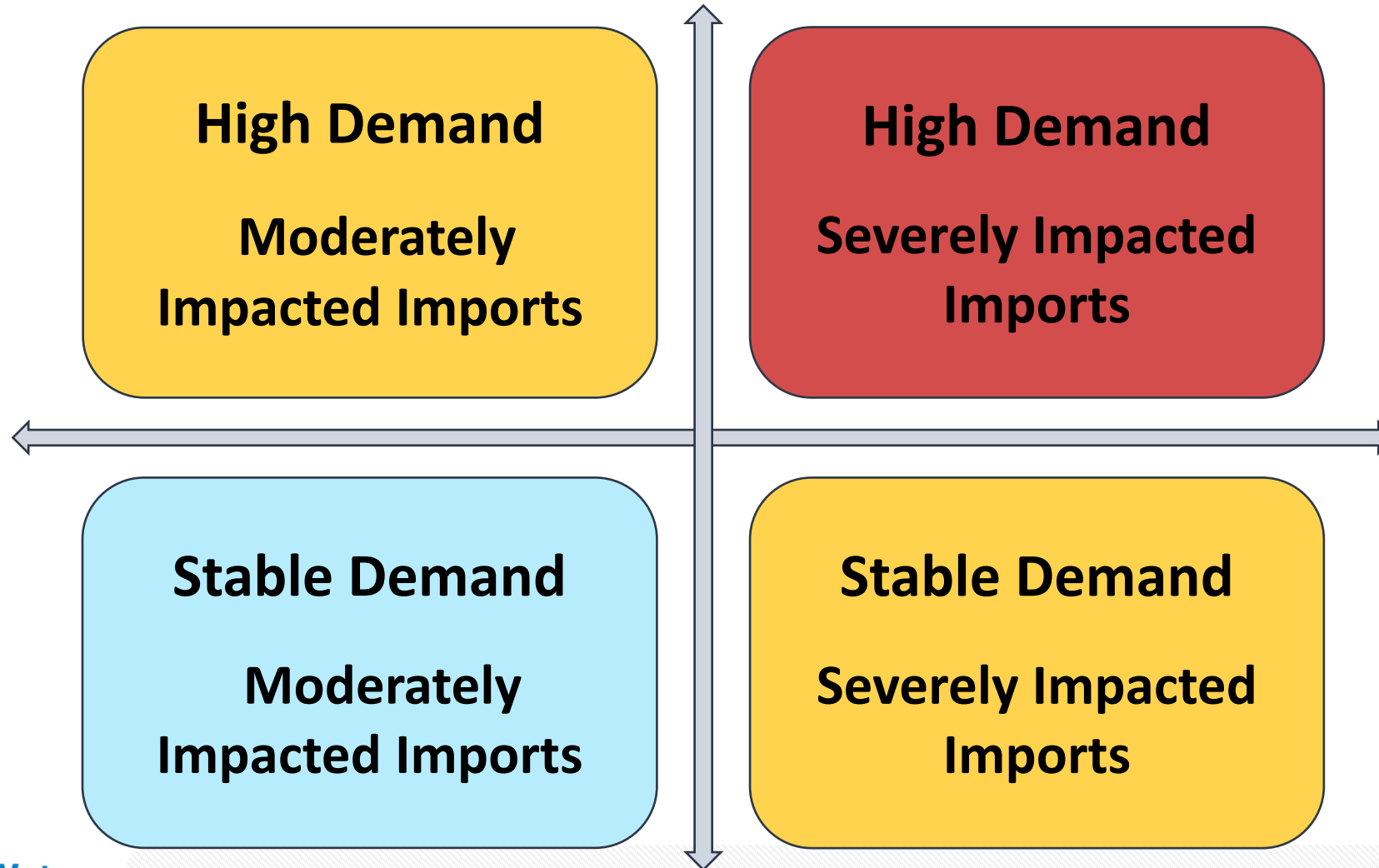
Recognition of uncertainty





# Planning for Multiple Future Conditions

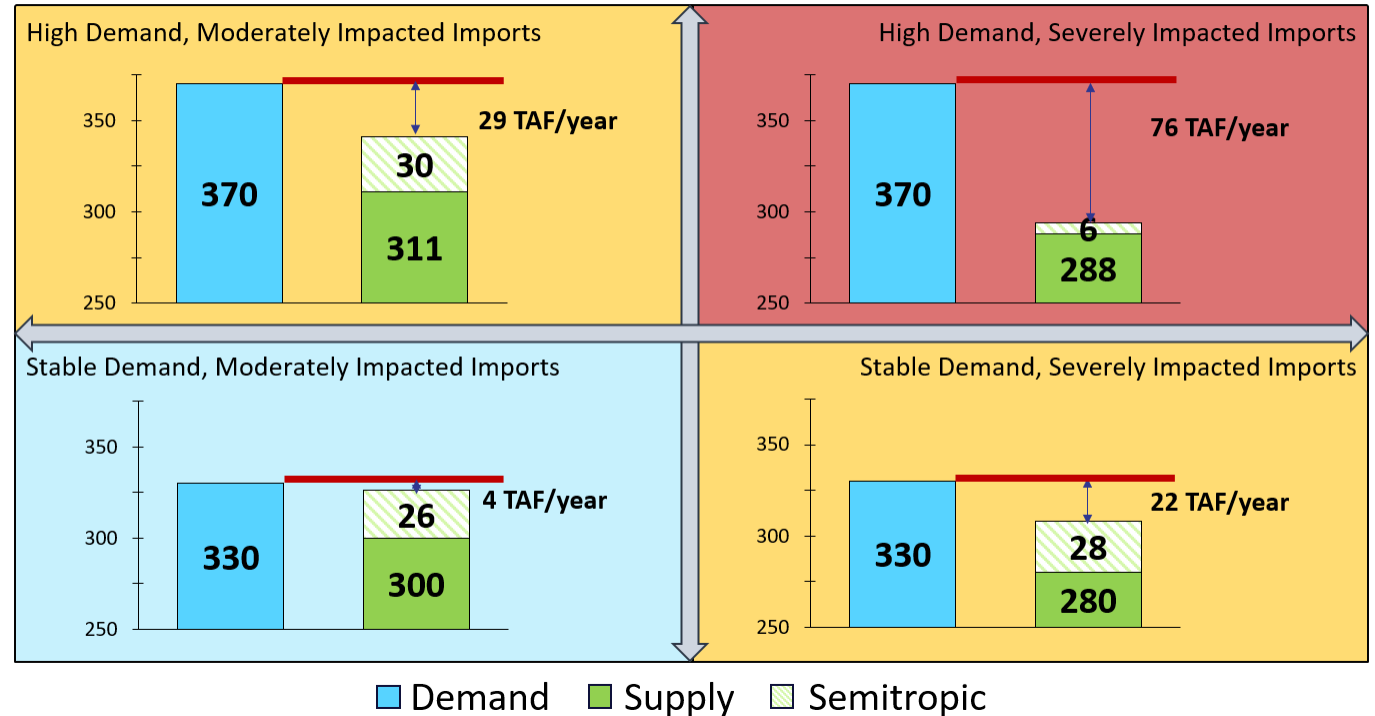
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# Water Supply Needs and Challenges

- Multi-year droughts
- Climate change impact
- Aging infrastructure
- Affordability

### Annual Shortage in Six-year Drought in 2050



# Project List Grouped by Primary Benefits

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## Alternative Supply

Palo Alto Potable Reuse  
San José Direct Potable Reuse  
Refinery Recycled Water Exchange  
Local Seawater Desalination

## Surface Supply

Delta Conveyance Project  
Sites Reservoir  
Stormwater – Agricultural Land Recharge  
(FloodMAR)  
Stormwater Capture

## Storage

Pacheco Reservoir Expansion  
Los Vaqueros Expansion  
Groundwater Banking  
B.F. Sisk Dam Raise

## Recharge and Pipelines

Coyote Valley Recharge Pond  
Lexington Pipeline  
Lexington-Montevina Water Treatment Plant  
Connection  
Butterfield Channel Managed Aquifer Recharge  
Madrone Channel Expansion  
San Pedro Ponds Improvement Project

# Project Evaluation

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- Water supply benefits
- Cost

- Reliability
- Likelihood of success
- Environmental impacts
- Jurisdiction and partnership
- Public acceptance

# Benefits of Major Projects

- Drought supply
- Storage diversification
- Increased system reliability and flexibility
- Emergency storage
- Ability to capture excess CVP and SWP water
- Environmental benefits

# Project Risks and Challenges

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- Affordability
- Environmental impacts
- Contingent on agreement with other agencies
- Implementation complexity
- Operational and institutional complexity
- Public acceptance



# Cost Analysis

- Project cost estimates
  - Total lifecycle cost
  - Unit cost
- Cost of portfolios
- Impact on water rate
- Cost of shortage

# Cost of Major Supply Projects

All costs are in 2023 dollars

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Project	Average Annual Supply (AF)	Capital Cost (Millions)	Annual O&M (Millions)	Present Value Lifecycle Cost* (Millions)	Lifecycle Cost PV/ Yield PV (\$/AF)	Annualized Unit cost (\$/AF)
Palo Alto Potable Reuse	8,000	\$780	\$13	\$1,570	\$10,200	\$9,000
San José Direct Potable Reuse	24,000	\$2,140	\$30	\$2,610	\$6,400	\$5,000
Local Seawater Desalination	24,000	\$2,140	\$30	\$2,610	\$6,400	\$5,000
Refinery Recycled Water Exchange	8,000	\$250	\$9	\$430	\$2,800	\$2,500
Delta Conveyance Project	14,000	\$650	\$2	\$720	\$2,700	\$1,800
Sites Reservoir	5,000	\$140	\$0.6	\$130	\$1,200	\$1,000

\* Project lifecycles vary

# Cost of Major Storage Projects

All costs are in 2023 dollars

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Project	Storage (AF)	Capital Cost (Millions)	Annual O&M (Millions)	Present Value Lifecycle Cost (Millions)	Lifecycle Cost PV /Storage Capacity (\$/AF)
Pacheco	140,000	\$2,210	\$2.5	\$1,590	\$11,400
B.F. Sisk Dam Raise	60,000	\$440	\$1.8	\$470	\$7,900
Los Vaqueros Expansion	30,000	\$260	\$3.2	\$350	\$11,700
Groundwater Banking	350,000	\$280	\$2.8	\$350	\$1,000

# Conservation and Potable Reuse Goals

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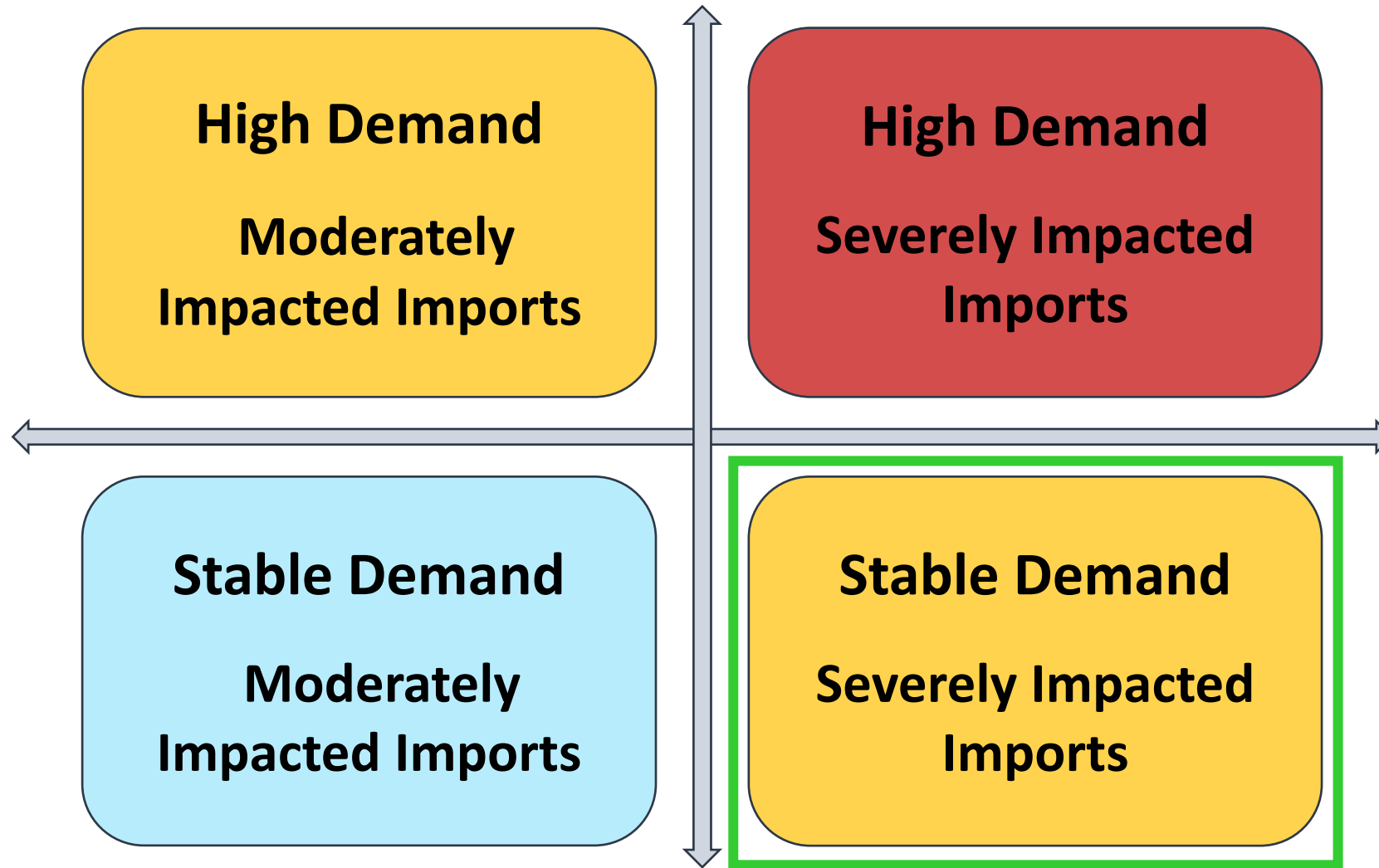


- Water conservation goal
  - 126,000 AFY by 2050



- Potable reuse goal
  - 24,000 AFY by 2035
  - Long-term vision to maximize water reuse in the county

# Focusing on Middle-of-Road Condition



# Portfolio Analysis

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- Developed three themes to outline options and tradeoffs
  - Lower cost
  - Local control
  - Diversified
- Multiple feasible portfolios under each theme



# Strategies for Water Supply Reliability

## Lower Cost (\$4 Billion)



## Local Control (\$5.9 Billion)



## Diversified (\$5.5 Billion)



Total cost represents Present Value of lifecycle cost in 2023 dollars

# Rate Impact of Water Supply Strategies

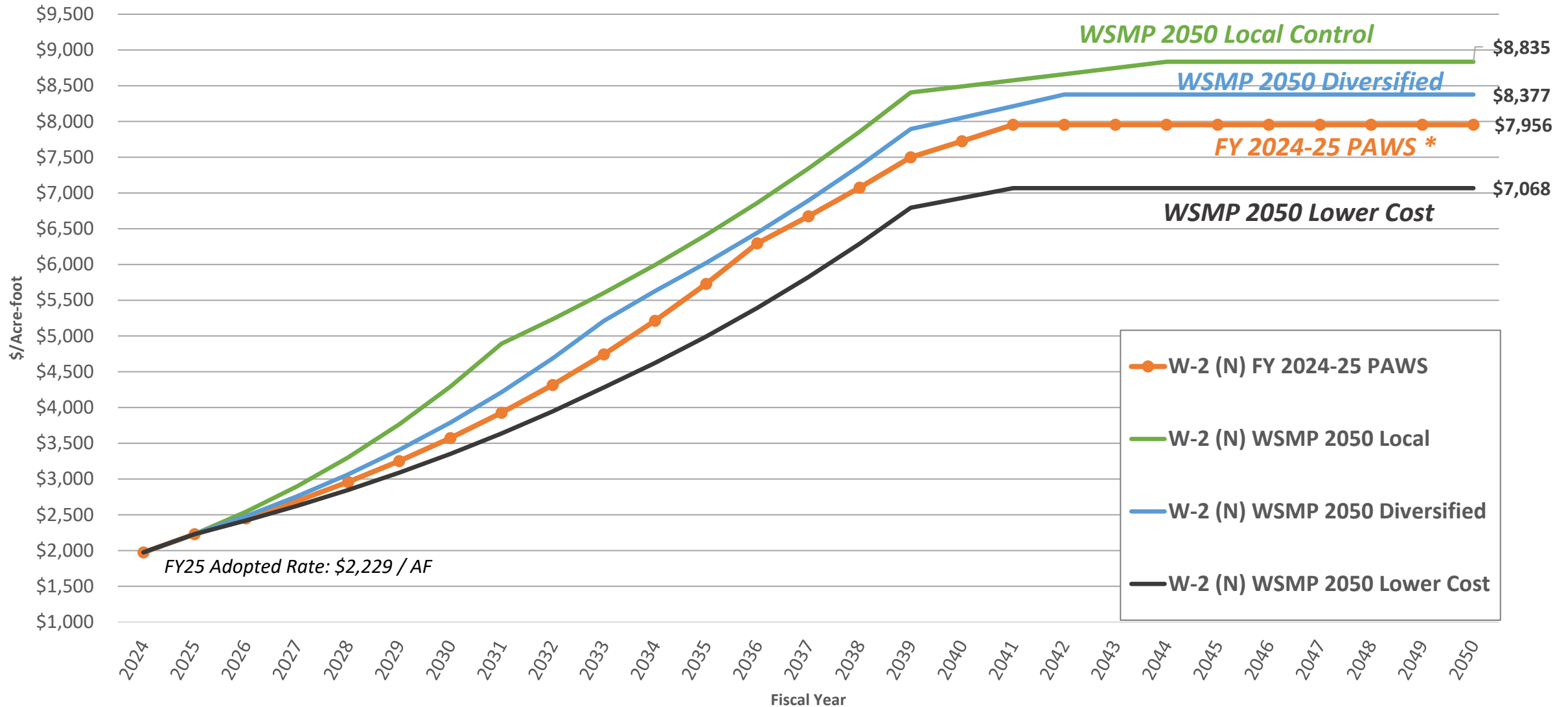
Strategy *	FY 26 to FY 30	FY 31 to FY 35	FY 36 to FY 40	FY 41 to FY 45	FY 46 to FY 50
<i>FY 2024-25 Adopted Rates &amp; PAWS Report</i>	<i>\$2,985 / AF or \$102.81 / month</i>	<i>\$4,786 / AF or \$164.82 / month</i>	<i>\$7,385 / AF or \$254.35 / month</i>	<i>\$7,956 / AF or \$273.99 / month</i>	<i>\$7,956 / AF or \$273.99 / month</i>
<b>Lower Cost</b>	<b>\$2,866 / AF or \$98.71 / month</b>	<b>\$4,296 / AF or \$147.96 / month</b>	<b>\$6,581 / AF or \$226.65 / month</b>	<b>\$7,068 / AF or \$243.42 / month</b>	<b>\$7,068 / AF or \$243.42 / month</b>
<b>Local Control</b>	<b>\$3,359 / AF or \$115.70 / month</b>	<b>\$5,627 / AF or \$193.80 / month</b>	<b>\$8,134 / AF or \$280.14 / month</b>	<b>\$8,731 / AF or \$300.69 / month</b>	<b>\$8,835 / AF or \$304.28 / month</b>
<b>Diversified</b>	<b>\$3,100 / AF or \$106.75 / month</b>	<b>\$5,153 / AF or \$177.45 / month</b>	<b>\$7,686 / AF or \$264.71 / month</b>	<b>\$8,344 / AF or \$287.37 / month</b>	<b>\$8,377 / AF or \$288.51 / month</b>



\* Translation of portfolio costs to North County Zone W-2 Municipal & Industrial rate (\$/AF), or average monthly impact to an average household (15 hundred cubic feet for purposes of this analysis). The FY 2024-25 PAWS Report can be found online at [www.valleywater.org](http://www.valleywater.org).

# WSMP 2050 Strategies

## North County Groundwater Production Charge Projection M&I (\$/Acre-Foot)



\* FY 2024-25 PAWS represents long-range rate projections as presented to the Board March 26, 2024, and is equivalent to Diversified portfolio excluding Groundwater Banking (350,000 AF) and increased DCP costs.

# Portfolio Evaluation Summary

- No single project can address all future needs
- Different strategies to achieve water supply reliability, with tradeoffs
- Importance of drought resilient supplies and diversifying storage

# Adaptive Management Framework

- Planning under deep uncertainty
  - Projects still evolving
  - Uncertainty with forecasted future supply and demand
- Adaptive management framework to provide flexibility for making incremental investment decisions

Projects	Estimated Decision Points					Project Online Date
	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	
<b>San José Direct Potable Reuse</b>						<b>2033</b>
<b>Los Vaqueros Expansion</b>		Final Funding Decision				<b>2033</b>
<b>B.F. Sisk Dam Raise</b>	Planning Funding Decision	Final Construction Funding				<b>2032</b>
<b>Pacheco</b>			Final EIR/EIS Certification	Final Partnership Negotiations		<b>2035</b>
<b>Sites Reservoir</b>		Final Funding Decision				<b>2032</b>
<b>Delta Conveyance Project</b>	Funding Decision			Final Contract Decision		<b>2045</b>



Sisk negotiation  
San José agreement  
Project decisions

Triggers

### Now

- Prioritize DPR
- Secure storage
- Continue planning for other projects

### Near-term (2-3 years)

- Make project decisions based on triggers
- Continue planning for other projects

### Mid-term (5 years)

- Project implementation
- Update WSMP

Annual MAP to report progress, triggers, metrics

# Example Triggers and Metrics to Track

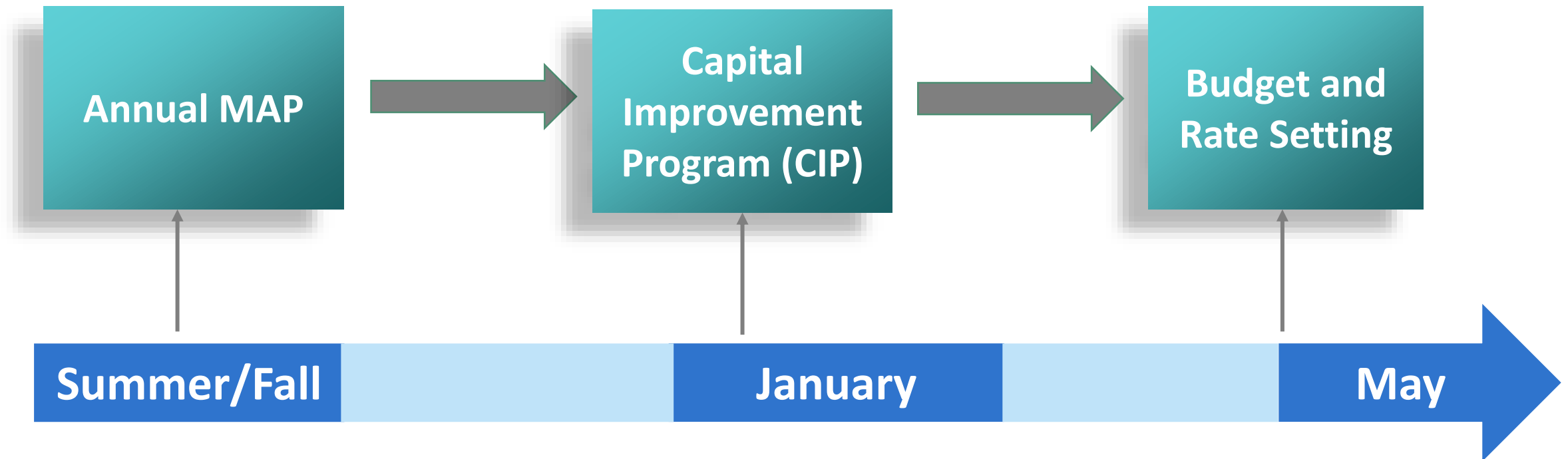
- **Key triggers**

- Sisk negotiation
- San José agreement
- Upcoming project decisions
- Groundwater Bank negotiation

- **Metrics to track**

- Annual supply
- Annual water use
- Conservation progress
- Growth trend/demand

# Annual MAP to Support Decision-Making <sup>23</sup>



# Stakeholder Engagement

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- Water Retailer meeting
- Water Commission meeting
- Environmental Water Resources Committee
- Newsletter/blog/social media

# Expert Engagement

- Conservation targets and programs
- Recycled and purified water projects
- Project evaluation
- Adaptive management framework

# Next Steps

- Roadmap and recommendations
- Plan development
- Stakeholder outreach
- Plan adoption



# Questions and Answers

## 1. Do we need Pacheco for future water supply reliability?

- Portfolio analysis suggests there are different ways to achieve future water supply reliability, some with Pacheco and others not
- Pacheco provides for local control, and has unique water supply benefits that include providing emergency storage and the ability to capture excess Delta water
- Uncertainty in other projects which are still under negotiation necessitates an adaptive management approach
- Recommend continued planning for Pacheco and making decision through the adaptive management framework

# Questions and Answers

## 2. Why do we continue to include additional imported water projects instead of working to reduce/replace imported water with new local supply?

- Local control strategy has the highest cost
- Imported water is among the cheapest supply. A diversified portfolio with mixed local and imported supply helps minimize future water rate increases and is more resilient and reliable
- Delta Conveyance Project (DCP) will help secure our existing State Water Project supply and is an affordable project option
- Prudent to plan for a variety of options because uncertainty in other WSMP Projects

# Questions and Answers

## 3. How do we plan for affordable water rates?

- Need to balance between reliability and affordability. There is economic consequence of not having water in the future
- The three water supply strategies present the tradeoffs between cost and other considerations
- Adaptive management framework provides flexibility to make incremental investment decisions to reduce the risk of over- or under-investing
- A new study undergoing to review water use projections and analyze demand elasticity as well as water rate affordability

# Questions and Answers

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## 4. With conservation as a way of life regulation, demand may go down. Can we focus on conservation/reuse to address our future needs, and stop the rebound of water use after a drought to pre-drought levels?

- Used 2 demand forecasts - a stable and a high demand, both within historic water use
- Actively pursuing water conservation and potable reuse, but they alone may not address large future shortages
- Long-term water conservation goals for 2030, 2040, and 2050, and short-term drought reduction, both factored into baseline demand assumptions
- Potable reuse is needed in almost all situations, but other supply and/or storage projects also needed. Water reuse is constrained by wastewater availability
- Water conservation can help reduce the rate and magnitude of drought rebound, but some water use reduction during drought is not sustainable, including for agriculture, parks, etc.

# Questions and Answers

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## 5. What is our strategy for South County which is highly dependent on groundwater?

- Actively manage the groundwater basins to ensure continued sustainable supplies
- Take appropriate actions to protect groundwater-dependent communities such as prioritizing South County recharge during droughts
- Evaluate several recharge projects, including expansion of the Madrone Channel, Coyote Valley recharge pond, San Pedro Ponds Improvement Project, and Agricultural Land Recharge (FloodMAR)
- Identify opportunities for additional water reuse

# Questions and Answers

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## 6. What is the full cost for imported water?

- SWP/CVP current unit cost, averaging past 5 years (drought period): **\$450/AF**
- Modeled 50-year Present Value lifecycle cost/Present Value Yield including climate change: **\$514/AF**
  - Includes Delta-Mendota Canal and California Aqueduct subsidence and South Bay Aqueduct long-term repair costs
- New imported supply projects (i.e., DCP and Sites) evaluated as part of WSMP process
- Storage, including existing Semitropic storage, provides support for all Valley Water's water supply sources through integrated water supply operation

# Feedback Requested

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- Approval of water conservation and potable reuse goals
- Water supply strategy
- Adaptive management framework
- Information to help inform decisions

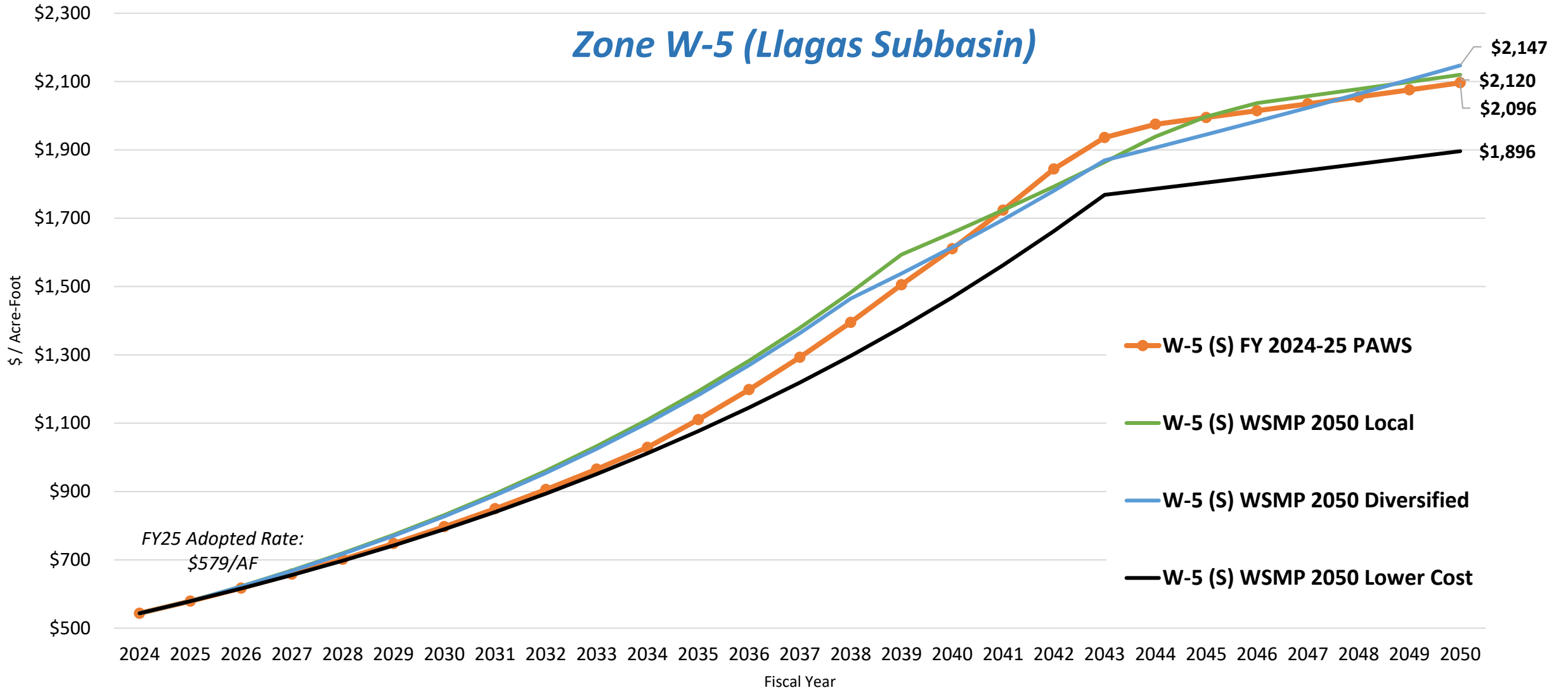
# Backup



# WSMP 2050 Strategies

## South County Groundwater Production Charge Projection M&I (\$/Acre-Foot)

### Zone W-5 (Llagas Subbasin)

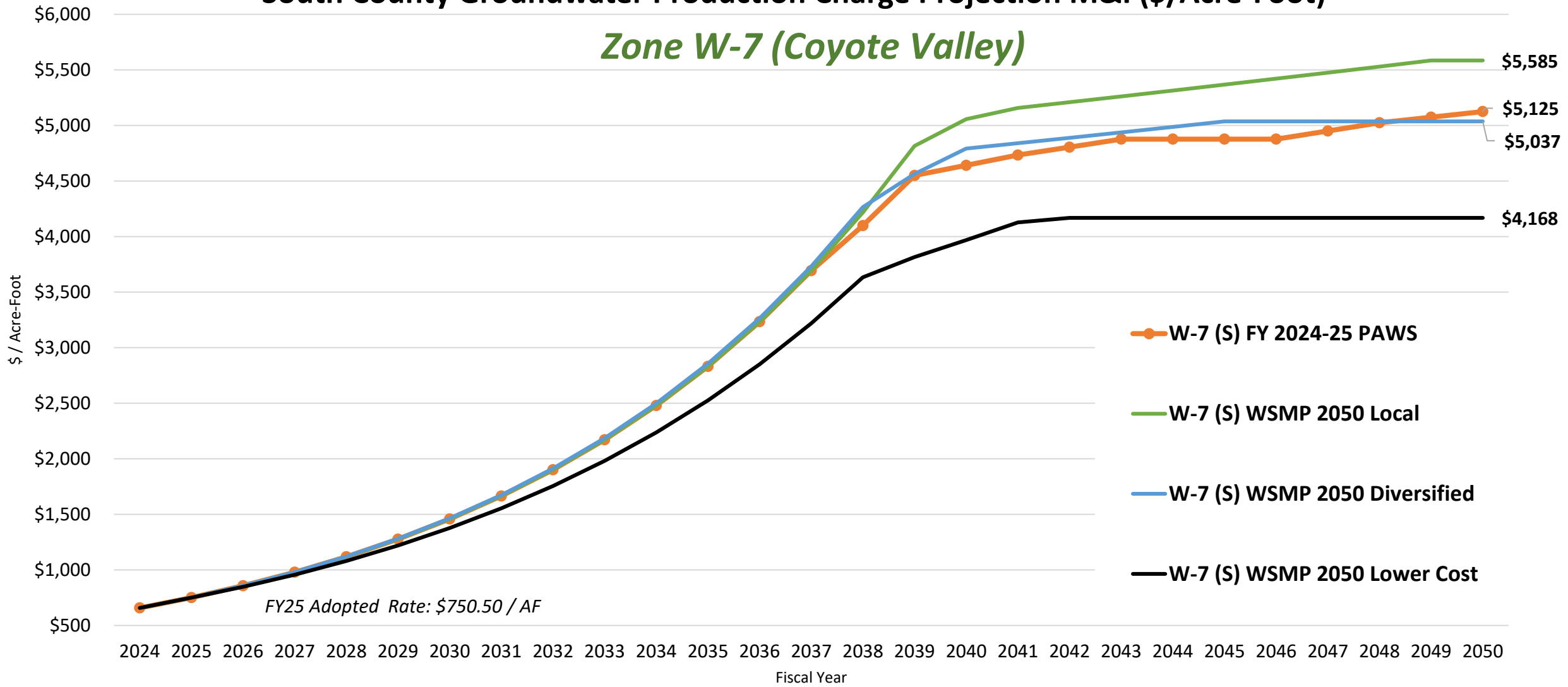


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## South County Groundwater Production Charge Projection M&I (\$/Acre-Foot)

### Zone W-7 (Coyote Valley)



FY25 Adopted Rate: \$750.50 / AF

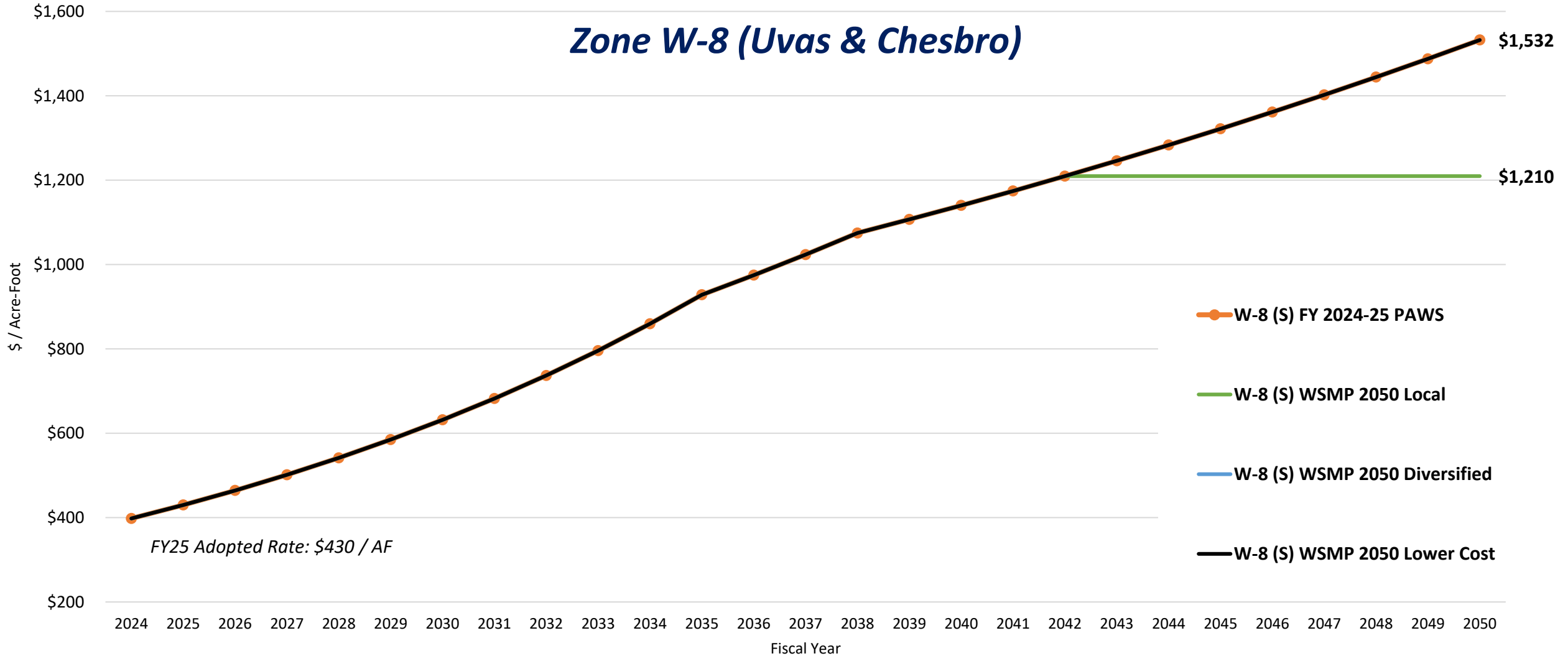


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# WSMP 2050 Strategies

## South County Groundwater Production Charge Projection M&I (\$/Acre-Foot)

### Zone W-8 (Uvas & Chesbro)



FY25 Adopted Rate: \$430 / AF



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