

One Water & Stewardship Committee

Information on proposed agreements with the City of San Buenaventura and Calleguas Municipal Water District for wheeling and emergency delivery of State Water Project water

Item 9-2 February 10, 2025 Metropolitan-Ventura-Calleguas

Wheeling and Emergency Water Deliveries



Subject

Information on proposed agreements with the City of Buenaventura and Calleguas Municipal Water District for wheeling and emergency delivery of State Water Project water

Purpose

Provide information on the proposed wheeling of up to 2,000 acrefeet per year of Ventura State Water Project water through Metropolitan's system and the proposed emergency water delivery between Calleguas and Ventura during emergencies.

The two proposed agreements described on this item would increase resilience in Ventura County. Both agreements terminate on December 31, 2055

Next Steps

Staff will return to the One Water and Stewardship Committee in March 2025 to seek Board's authorization.

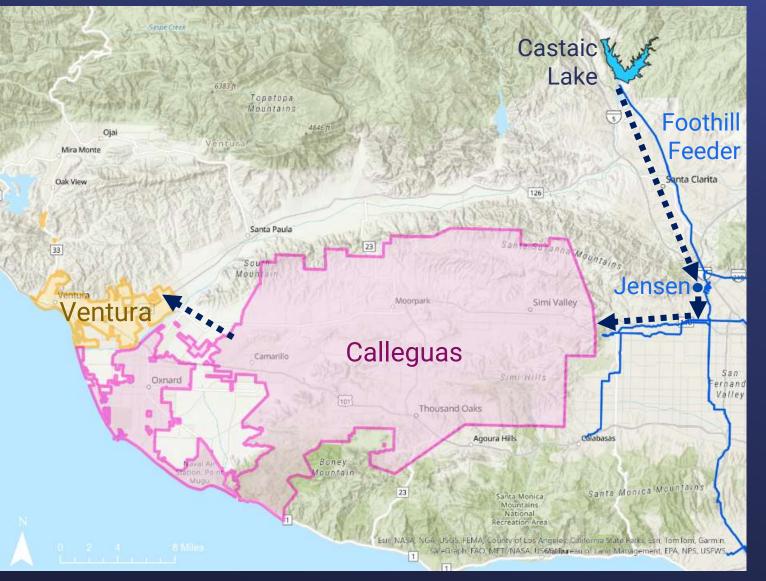


Increasing Resilience in Ventura County

Calleguas-Ventura Interconnection Project

Calleguas and Ventura are building a seven-milelong pipeline connecting their systems.

Wheeling Ventura SWP Water City of Ventura is a SWP contractor via the Ventura County Watershed Protection District



Metropolitan

- Takes delivery of Ventura SWP water at Castaic
- Wheels water via Foothill Feeder •
- Treats water at Jensen •
- Delivers treated Ventura SWP • water to Calleguas

Calleguas

- Takes delivery of treated Ventura SWP from Metropolitan
- Wheels water via its distribution system
- Delivers treated Ventura SWP • water to Ventura

Metropolitan-Ventura-Calleguas

Proposed Wheeling Agreement Terms



Summary of the wheeling agreement

 Ventura proposes to receive up to 2,000 acre-feet per year of their SWP water via wheeling

Financial Compensation

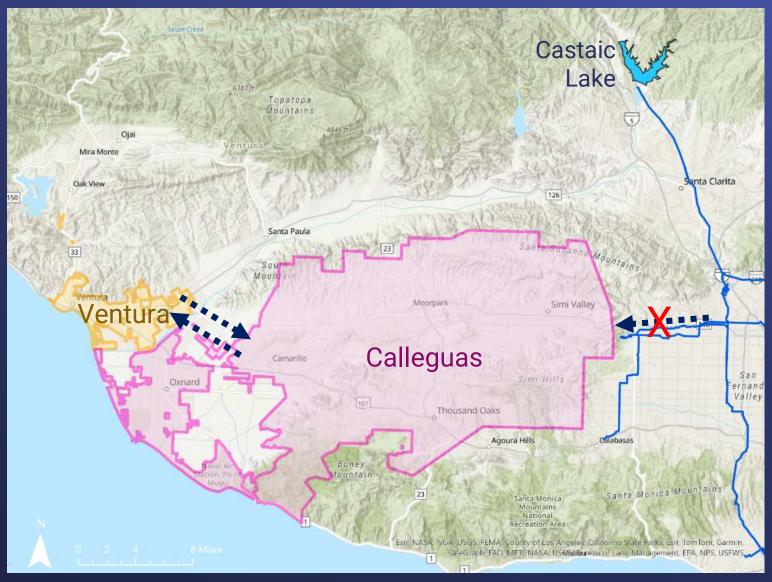
- Wheeling price is a fixed dollar amount
 - For calendar year 2026 the price is \$1,215 per acre-foot
 - Annual increases based on a Consumer Price Index related to Water and Sewerage Infrastructure costs
- Ventura continues to pay its SWP charges
 - Metropolitan is not assuming any State Water Contract responsibility

Operational Considerations

- Metropolitan staff will determine available capacity prior to wheeling
- System losses will be applied for the wheeled water
- Metropolitan will deliver treated water to Calleguas via existing service connections

Emergency Water Deliveries Calleguas receives imported supplies from Metropolitan via a single-entry point

- During emergencies that \bullet prevent Metropolitan from delivering to Calleguas
- Ventura and Calleguas could take deliveries from each other during emergencies
- Since their supply might \bullet contain SWP water, authorization from Metropolitan is needed



Metropolitan-Ventura-Calleguas

Proposed Emergency Water Deliveries Agreement Terms



Summary of the emergency use of SWP supplies agreement

- Calleguas and Ventura propose borrowing water from each other during emergency circumstances
- The agency borrowing the water will return an equal amount
- Calleguas would purchase Metropolitan water to return to Ventura after the emergency at the full Metropolitan rate

Definition of Emergencies

- Planned and unplanned water service interruptions
- Emergencies do not include drought conditions

Scope of Metropolitan's obligations

- Limited to consent for water to be delivered in each other's (Ventura or Calleguas) service area
- No obligation for Metropolitan to make water available to Calleguas for emergency deliveries to Ventura or for return of water by Calleguas to Ventura

Next Steps



- Receive board feedback
- Return to the board with an action item in March 2025

