



Wastewater
Treatment



TRANSFORMING
WASTEWATER
TO RESOURCES



Recycled
Water



Energy
Production



Biosolids
Reuse



Proposed Recycled Water Service Charge Adjustments

Finance Committee
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Background

Transforming Wastewater to Resources



- District provides recycled water treatment and distribution services via its Recycled Water Facility (RWF)
 - In FY25/26, 6.0 million gallons per day (MGD) produced (46% of 13.0 MGD of WWTP influent flow)
 - 93% provided for industrial purposes (Calpine, two large power plants—Delta Energy Center, Los Medanos Energy Center)
 - 7% for irrigation purposes (City of Antioch golf course/parks/medians, City of Pittsburg parks/medians, PUSD, MDRRP, Caltrans)
- District utilizes voluntary user service agreements
 - Calpine has first right to RW; service to other customers is “interruptible”
 - Agreements require Recycled Water Service Charges (RWSC) to be set by Board (last approved in December 2025)

Key RWSC Parameters



- RWSC analysis incorporates approved budget updated with current costs, and preliminary 5-year CIP with 10-year planning horizon
- RWSCs include fixed and variable components
 - Variable – chemicals, utilities, and Capital Asset Replacement
 - Fixed – labor, office expenses, outside services, maintenance
- Customer-specific surcharges
 - Calpine Revenue Stability Surcharge
 - Stabilizes revenue when RW use declines (i.e., major plant disruptions)
 - No change proposed to current surcharge (\$35,000/month)
 - Antioch RW Project Surcharge
 - Covers Antioch's \$1.1M share of Antioch RW Project costs that exceeded \$5M SRF loan cap (~\$6,826/month)

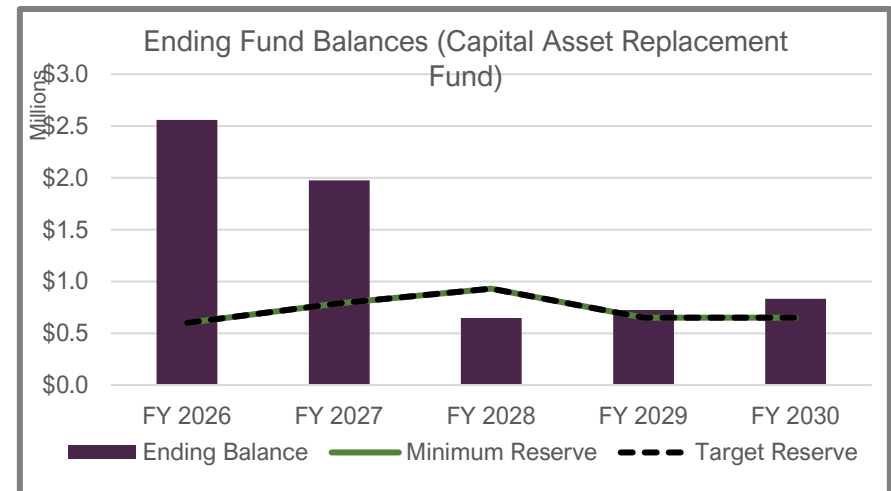
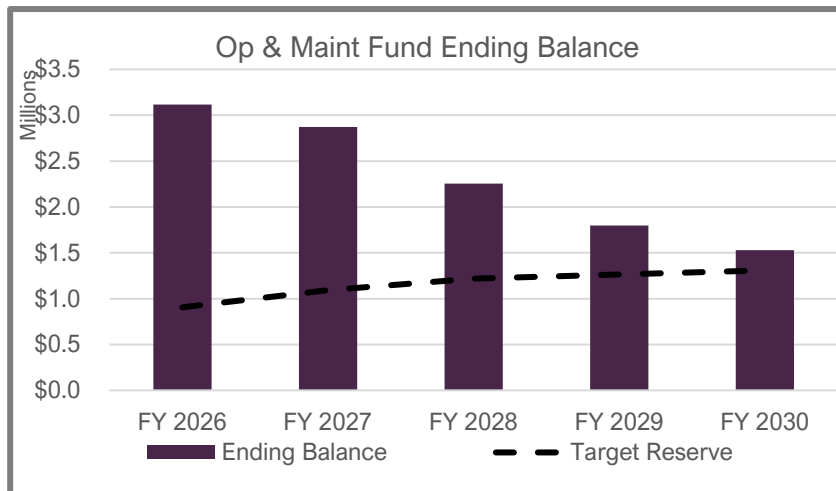
Key RWSC Adjustment Drivers

- Increased Operating Costs – (\$4.9M total)
 - Chemical (+\$115k) and utility (+47k) cost increases
- Historic RW user consumption and future demand forecast
 - Actual FY25/26 usage ~14% below RWSC model assumption
 - FY26/27 usage incorporates significant Calpine outage planning in Spring 2027, reduced beyond FY26/27 to account for recent trend
 - Reduced demand projections significantly impact variable rate revenue generation
- Updated RWSC Financial Plan
 - FY25/26 actual revenue incorporated into the model
 - FY25/26 RWSC revenue ~20% below FY25/26 expenses

	FY25/26 (Modeled)	FY25/26 (Actuals)	FY26/27 (Projection)	FY27/28 (Projection)
Industrial Users (Tgal)	2,177,791	1,862,848	1,920,000	2,078,736
Irrigation Users (Tgal)	151,898	146,791	146,791	146,791
Total RW Consumption (Tgal)	2,329,689	2,009,639	2,066,791	2,225,527

RWSC Revenue Drivers

- Annual revenues need to increase by ~8% (effective in Dec 2026)
 - Increase will provide ~\$193k of additional FY26/27 revenue (~\$345k annually)
 - Projecting similar revenue increases (+8%) in FY27/28-FY30/31
- Utilizing ~\$1M of RW O&M Fund to offset revenue shortfall in FY26/27
 - Continued RW O&M Fund usage in future years to offset rate increases
- RWSC adjustments & RW O&M Fund utilization meet minimum reserves in future years



Proposed RWSC Adjustments: Monthly Fixed Cost by Customer



	Existing (\$/month)	Proposed (\$/month)	Difference (\$)	Difference (%)
Calpine – DEC	\$74,052	\$71,483	(\$2,569)	-3.47%
Calpine – LMEC	\$68,377	\$65,653	(\$2,724)	-3.98%
City of Antioch (Parks, Medians, Golf Course)	\$3,904	\$3,901	(\$3)	-0.1%
City of Pittsburg (Parks, Medians)	\$1,749	\$1,662	(\$87)	-4.97%
Pittsburg Unified School District	\$1,060	\$1,019	(\$41)	-3.87%
Mt. Diablo Resource Recovery Park	\$385	\$393	\$8	2.08%
Caltrans	\$122	\$94	(\$28)	-22.95%

- Fixed component varies by customer (labor, office expenses, outside services, repairs and maintenance, and distribution system O&M)
- Fixed revenue need decreased slightly due to projected FY26/27 deficit allocation

Proposed RWSC Adjustments: Total Revenue by Customer



	Existing Revenue	Proposed Variable	Proposed Fixed	Proposed Revenue	Difference (\$)	Difference (%)
Calpine – DEC	\$2,213,227	\$1,220,380	\$857,790	\$2,078,170	(\$135,057)	-6%
Calpine – LMEC	\$1,967,069	\$1,326,500	\$787,837	\$2,114,337	\$147,268	7%
City of Antioch*	\$141,962	\$115,756	\$46,813	\$162,569	\$20,607	15%
City of Pittsburg	\$61,008	\$39,458	\$19,947	\$59,405	(\$1,603)	-3%
PUSD	\$38,312	\$28,565	\$12,223	\$40,788	\$2,476	6%
MDRRP	\$14,060	\$9,790	\$4,718	\$14,507	\$447	3%
Caltrans	\$3,660	\$1,150	\$1,128	\$2,279	(\$1,381)	-38%

* Excludes City of Antioch surcharge

- RWSCs include variable (61%) + fixed (39%) cost components
- Variable (RW CAR, chemicals/utilities) component = +17%
- Presented proposed adjustments to the RW Technical Advisory Committee on September 8, 2026 – no comments received

Recommendations/Next Steps

- Provide comments on proposed RWSCs
- Recommend presentation at September 23rd Board Meeting

