

### 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation

Workshop #2: Scenario Design Part 1

October 24, 2023

### **Welcome and Introductions**



## Meeting objectives



Develop understanding of scope and schedule of 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation (2025 SYR), scenario design process, and expected future engagement from the stakeholders and peer reviewers



Gather feedback on drivers of water demand and supply plans (Water Plans)



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## How did we get here?





through 2030

Spring 2023

per year (afy) for 2021 through 2030

May 2020

## 2025 SYR process

- Update hydrogeologic conceptual model
- Generate calibrated realizations (2025 CVM)
- Develop projection realizations
- Simulate projection realizations
- Evaluate simulation results and calculate Safe Yield
- Develop 2025 SYR report
- Reset Safe Yield (if necessary)



## 2025 SYR timeline



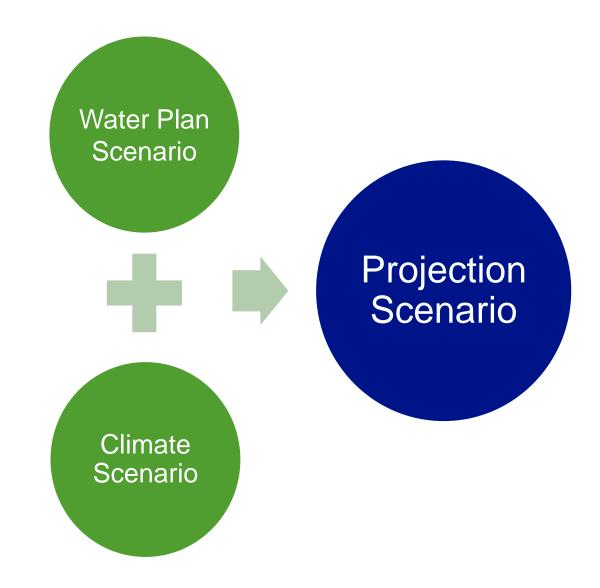


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## What is a projection scenario?





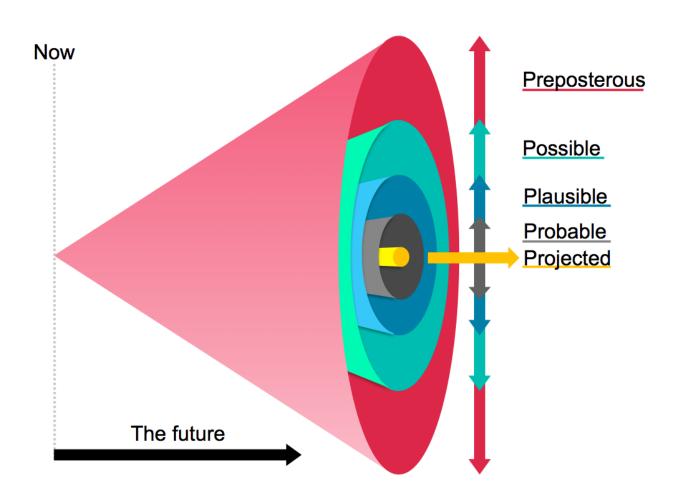
## Why do we need multiple projection scenarios?

- By simulating multiple possible futures, we can better understand the effect of *predictive uncertainty* on the Safe Yield and basin behaviors
- Helps quantify risk of Material Physical Injury and adverse impacts



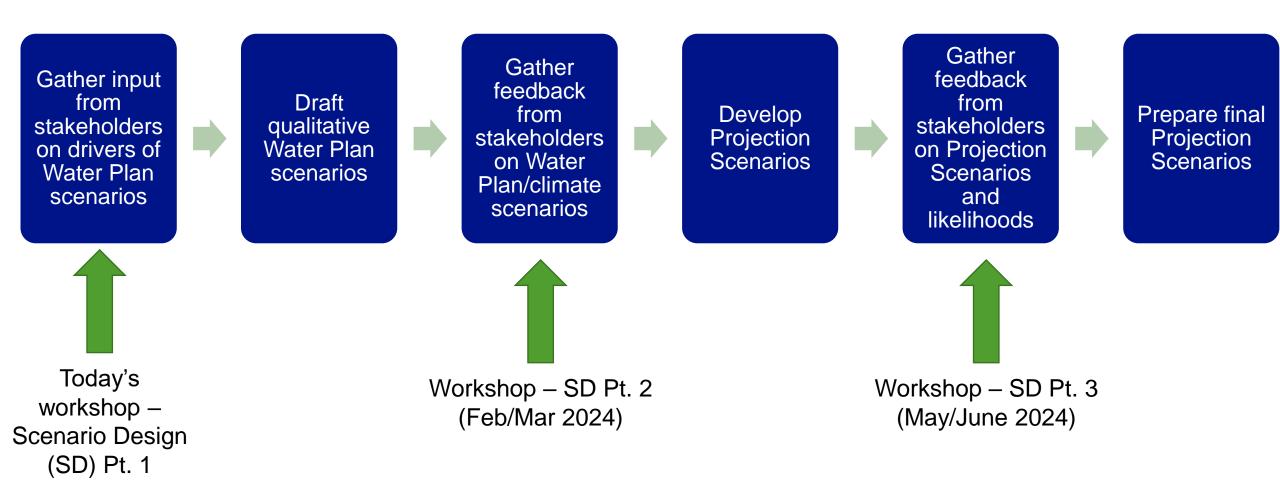
### Goal for developing projection scenarios

- Anticipating 3-5 scenarios that cover the possible range of Water Plans
- Develop additional scenarios for the evaluation of climate extremes (related study)





## Process to develop projection scenarios





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## What are the primary drivers of Water Plans?

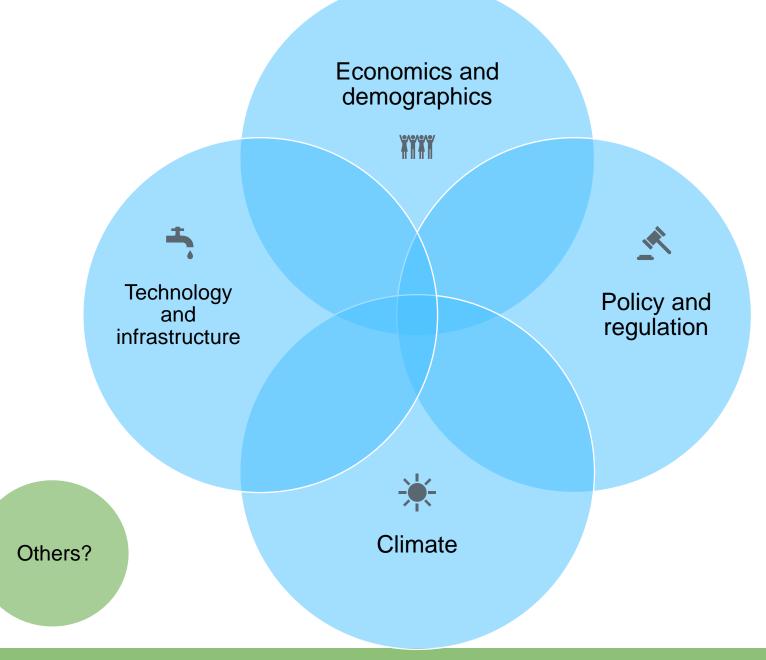
4 respondents (27%) answered supply for this question.

supply availability Regulations Cost water supply supply resilienc water planning water quality basin conditions hydrology Climate contract obligations
Optimization

economics Contractual obligations water supply supply resilienc permand customer demands reliable recharge climate contract obligations



# Primary drivers of Water Plans





### **Questions for each driver**

- 1. How does the driver affect Water Plans?
- 2. How do the stakeholders quantify the driver and its impact on Water Plans?
- 3. What are the current projections of the driver and its impact(s) on Water Plans?
- 4. What is the uncertainty in these projections?





## Economics and demographics – Effects on Water Plans

Increased demand Population growth Changes in water supply plans, increased runoff, **Urbanization** reduced recharge **Economic recession** Reduced demand

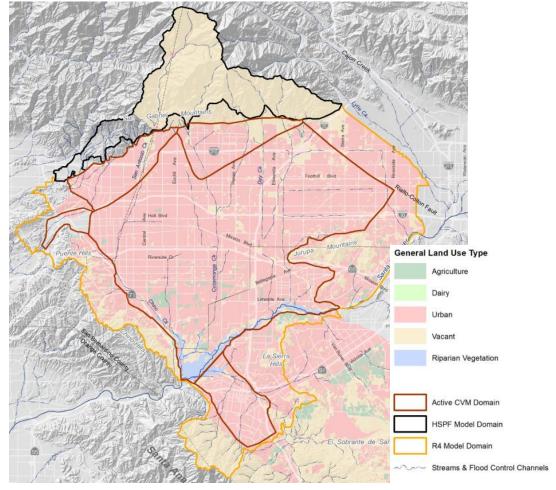




# **Economics and demographics – Quantifying projected impacts**

- Projections based on:
  - Historical trends
  - Planning data from other sources (e.g., SCAG, cities)
- Total demand =

   (demand per customer) X
   (number of customers)



Projected 2040 land use used in the 2020 Safe Yield Recalculation





# Economics and demographics – Projections and uncertainty

- Projected population growth varies by city
  - IEUA service area: 0.85 percent annual increase 2020 through 2045<sup>1</sup>
- Land use buildout expected to occur around 2040
- Projections generally do not quantify or discuss uncertainty



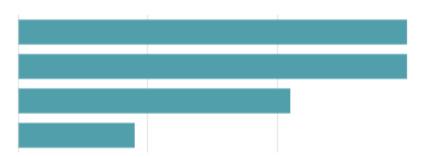


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#### More Details

- 1 Population Growth
- 2 Economics conditions unrelated...
- 3 Rate of land use changes
- 4 Other







## Technology and infrastructure – Effects on Water Plans

Improvements in water efficiency (e.g., low-flow appliances, leak detection)



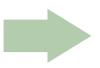
Reduced demand

Improvements in treatment/
pumping/conveyance
capacity



Increased supplies

New stormwater capture/ recharge infrastructure



Increased supplies





# Technology and infrastructure – Quantifying projected impacts



The Chino Basin Desalters (Chino Desalters | IEUA)

- Projections based on:
  - Capital Improvement
     Plans/infrastructure planning
  - Anticipated adoption of new technologies
  - Anticipated responses to policy/regulation
  - Recharge Master Planning





# Technology and infrastructure – Projections and uncertainty

- Agencies generally assume further reductions in per capita water use
- Agencies are planning to build new/replacement infrastructure to reduce water losses and increase the ability to pump, treat, and convey water across the basin.
- Uncertainty exists in timing of infrastructure development
  - Generally, less uncertainty than other drivers of Water Plans



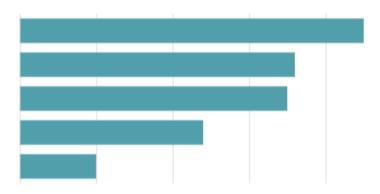


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- 1 Policy / Regulation
- 2 Water Supply (conveyance/deve...
- 3 Water Quality (treatment capaci...
- 4 Technology to improve water ef...
- 5 Other







## Policy/regulation – Effects on Water Plans

Water Conservation Act of Reduced demands 2009 (Senate Bill [SB] X7-7) Model Water Efficient Reduced landscape Landscape Ordinance irrigation demands (MWELO) Assembly Bill (AB) 1668 and Reduced demands SB 606





## Policy/regulation – Quantifying projected impacts

- Policies and regulations that directly affect Water Plans generally have specific, measurable objectives
  - SB X7-7 (20 percent reduction in per capita water use)
  - Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance
  - AB 1668 and SB 606
- Other policies and regulations indirectly affect Water Plans (e.g., land use regulation, environmental requirements)
- Urban Water Management Plans (UWMPs) are required to discuss impacts of policy/regulation on Water Plans





## Policy/regulation - Projections and uncertainty

 To meet 2035 water use efficiency standards, IEUA member agencies would need to reduce potable use by 6 to 27 percent from historical water use<sup>2</sup>

Significant uncertainty in timing, enforcement, and responses

to legislation







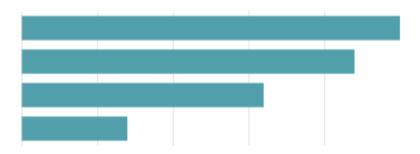


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- 2 Conservation Legislation
- 3 Permitting/regulation of infrastr...
- 4 Other

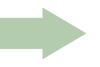






### **Climate – Effects on Water Plans**

Hotter and drier climates



- Increased demand
- Less reliable imported/surface water
- Reduced groundwater recharge

Increasing frequency and severity of acute climate hazards (e.g., severe weather, wildfires, landslides, extreme heat)



Potential for disruptions in supplies and demands





## **Climate – Quantifying projected impacts**



Surface water supplies (such as water from Day Creek) are expected to become more variable in the future.

- UWMPs require addressing water supply risks due to drought
  - Incorporate Metropolitan Water District's projections for imported water availability during drought
- Some agencies apply "climate factor" for future demands
  - Change in demands due to temperature increase

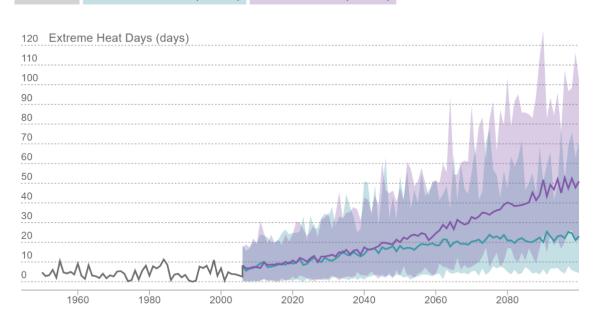




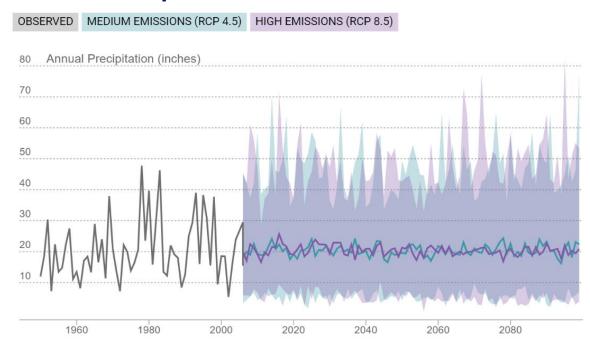
## **Climate – Projections and uncertainty**

#### Extreme Heat Days (> 98°F)

OBSERVED MEDIUM EMISSIONS (RCP 4.5) HIGH EMISSIONS (RCP 8.5)



#### **Annual Precipitation**



Local Climate Change Snapshot (cal-adapt.org)



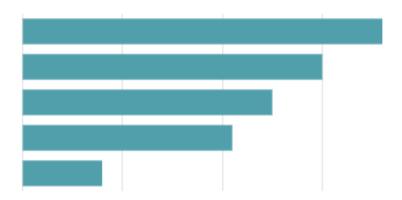


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- 2 Rising temperatures
- 3 Acute extreme heat events
- 4 Wildfires/extreme weather
- 5 Other



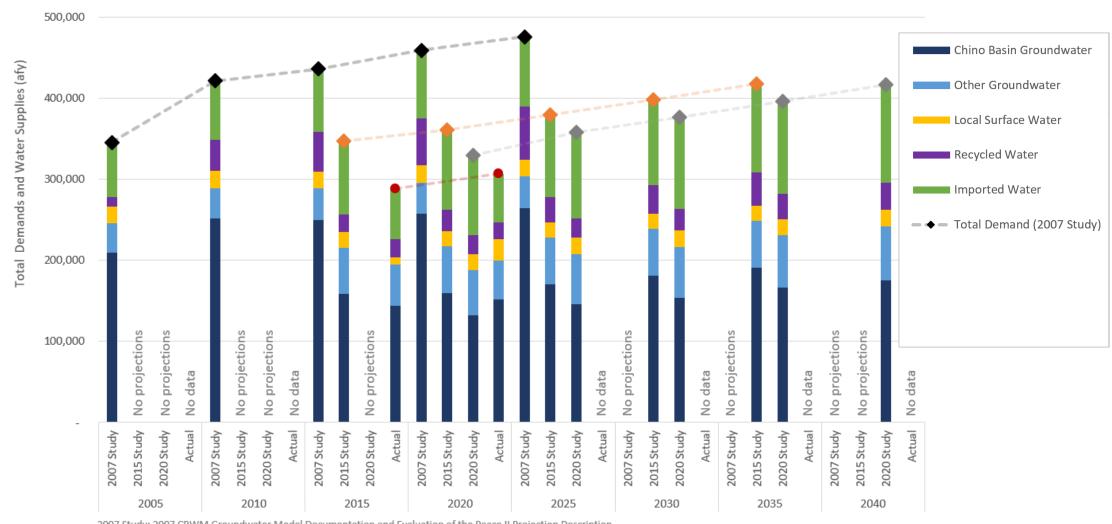


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## Projected versus actual water supplies in the Chino Basin



2007 Study: 2007 CBWM Groundwater Model Documentation and Evaluation of the Peace II Projection Description 2015 Study: 2013 Chino Basin Groundwater Model Update and Recalculation of the Safe Yield Pursuant to the Peace Agreement 2020 Study: 2020 Safe Yield Recalculation Final Report

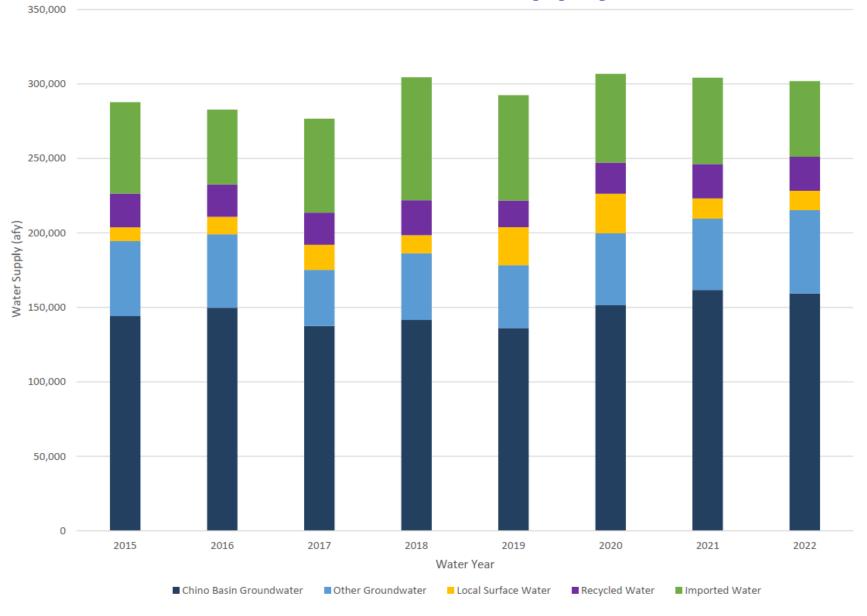


## Takeaways from comparison of prior projections to actual supplies

- Projected water demands increase over time
- The total demands in each Water Plan projection are less than the projected demands from the prior study
- Projected water demands from all three studies were greater than the actual demands in 2015 and 2020



## **Historical water-supply data**





## Takeaways from review of historical supplies (Water Year 2015 through 2022)

- Slight increasing trend over the eight-year period
- Water supplies vary depending on hydrologic conditions
  - Wet years (2017, 2019): 62% groundwater, 31% imported/surface water
  - Dry years (all others): 67% groundwater, 25% imported/surface water



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## **Next Steps**



Stakeholders review Scenario Design TM #1 (on Watermaster website)



Compile feedback from stakeholders on drivers of Water Plans (email Garrett Rapp at grapp@westyost.com by December 1, 2023)



Develop qualitative descriptions of projection scenarios and document in TM



Upcoming workshops:

**Feb/March 2024:** Scenario design workshop #2 (peer reviewers/stakeholders)

March 2024: Calibration workshop #1 (peer reviewers)

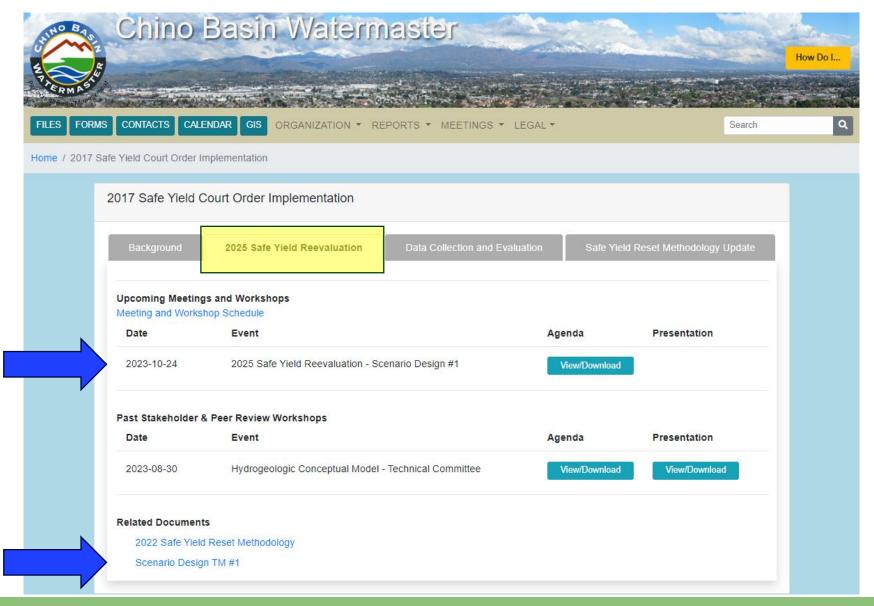


## 2025 SYR Timeline





### https://www.cbwm.org/pages/syrm/





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