



TODAY'S SESSION IS HOSTED BY
Indio Water Authority

- Formed in 2000 to serve the City of Indio
- Serves over 90,000 residents and businesses over 33 square miles
- Operates and maintains 7 storage tanks and 20 well sites
- Promotes water conservation and customer rebates





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Gloria Hernandez

SENIOR WATER MANAGEMENT ANALYST
INDIO WATER AUTHORITY





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Gretchen Gutierrez

CEO, DESERT VALLEYS BUILDERS ASSOCIATION



Mission Statement:

The DVBA is the Trade Association of the Building Industry Professionals, representing all levels of the construction industry and committed to ensuring that building of all types remains vibrant and strong in our region.

We are dedicated to providing excellence in community development while protecting the natural beauty of the Coachella & Imperial Valleys.

***PRESENTATION To:
CV WATER ACADEMY
FEBRUARY 18, 2025***



We are engaged with over 80 Agencies within:

Riverside, San Bernadino & Imperial Counties

Local City Governments & County Agencies

Water, Utility & School Districts

Air Quality Management Agencies

Regional Transportation Agencies &

Variety of Other Regulatory Agencies

Throughout the Region & at the

State/National Levels



OBTAINING A WATER WILL SERVE LETTER

SB 610 – ENACTED JANUARY 1, 2002 & SB 221 – ENACTED JANUARY 1, 2002

THESE TWO STATE LEGISLATIVE BILLS FORMED THE BASIS BY WHICH “WILL SERVE” LETTERS ARE NOW GENERATED AS PART OF THE ENTITLEMENT PROCESS FOR NEW PROJECTS (HOUSING, INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL, ETC).

ALL NEW DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS ARE CONDITIONED TO RECEIVE ONE OF THESE LETTERS FROM THE AGENCY THAT WILL BE PROVIDING WATER SERVICE TO THE FINISHED PROJECT

AS RELATED TO HOUSING PROJECTS WAS ORIGINALLY ENACTED FOR *LARGE* SUBDIVISION PROJECTS (*500 OR MORE UNITS*), HAS SINCE BEEN AMENDED TO INCLUDE ALL PROJECTS

UNLESS AN AGENCY ISSUES A “WILL SERVE” LETTER AS PART OF THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL FOR THE PROJECT, THE PROJECT WILL NOT BE APPROVED NOR MOVE FORWARD



Disney Living – “**Cotino**”
Rancho Mirage
Aerial Shot - 6,000 FT
February 9, 2025

Crystal Lagoon
12 Feet Deep
Covers 24 Acres
100 sq.ft. of Water Annually
Versus
Typical Golf Course – uses 1,000
sq.ft. water annually



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**California's New Housing Laws:
*What You Need to
Know***

AB 247 (Muratsuchi) – Proposition 2

\$10 billion K-12, Community College Bond



In addition to providing good quality schools for California kids, it prevents local school fees from more than doubling.

New Construction	\$3.3 billion
Modernization	\$4 billion
Charter	\$600 million
CTE	\$600 million
Community College	\$1.5 billion

Pass: 59% to 41%

AB 2729 (Joe Patterson) – 18-Month Permit & Entitlement Extension

In order to qualify for the 18-month extension, the housing development project entitlement must:

1. Have been issued prior to and was in effect on January 1, 2024
2. Will expire prior to December 31, 2025.

Applies to all approvals, permits, or entitlements necessary for a housing development project issued by a state agency.

Also applies to all local approvals other than legislative approvals such as general or specific plan amendments, annexations, re-zoning, and development agreements.

Does not apply if the project was granted a 24-month discretionary map extension or an 18-month extension during the time period described above.

SB 937 (Wiener) – Fee Deferral

- Fees & charges on residential development for the construction of public improvements or facilities.
- Fees do not include: Quimby Act fees, processing fees, fees collected pursuant to a DA, affordable housing in-lieu fees, school fees.
- The general rule is that local governments can not require payment of fees prior to COO/Fl.

Exception:

If the local agency determines either:

1. (a) An account has been established, and
(b) Funds appropriated, and
(c) Construction schedule has been adopted.
2. Fees or charges are to reimburse expenditures previously made.

SB 937 (Wiener) – Fee Deferral

Exemption from the exception:

- Affordable housing rental projects with at least 49% of the units are for lower income households.
- Local government may require performance bond or letter of credit.

Designated Residential Development Projects:

- 100% lower income
- SB 4 projects (YIGBY)
- AB 2011 projects
- SB 35 projects
- Low Barrier Navigation Center Developments
- Density Bonus projects
- 10 or fewer residential units

Fees deferred if construction begins within 5 years of building permit issuance

No interest or other fees allowed for the deferral

SB 937 (Wiener) – Fee Deferral

Exception to Deferral

If either:

1. To reimburse expenditure previously made; Or
2. Does both of the following:
 - a. Determines that the fees are for water service, sewer, wastewater service, fire, public safety, emergency services, roads, sidewalks, or other transportation projects; AND
 - b. An account has been established and funds appropriated.

Projects that are at least 49% lower income rentals may elect not to post a bond or letter of credit in which case the fees may be collected in the same manner and at the same time as county ad valorem taxes.

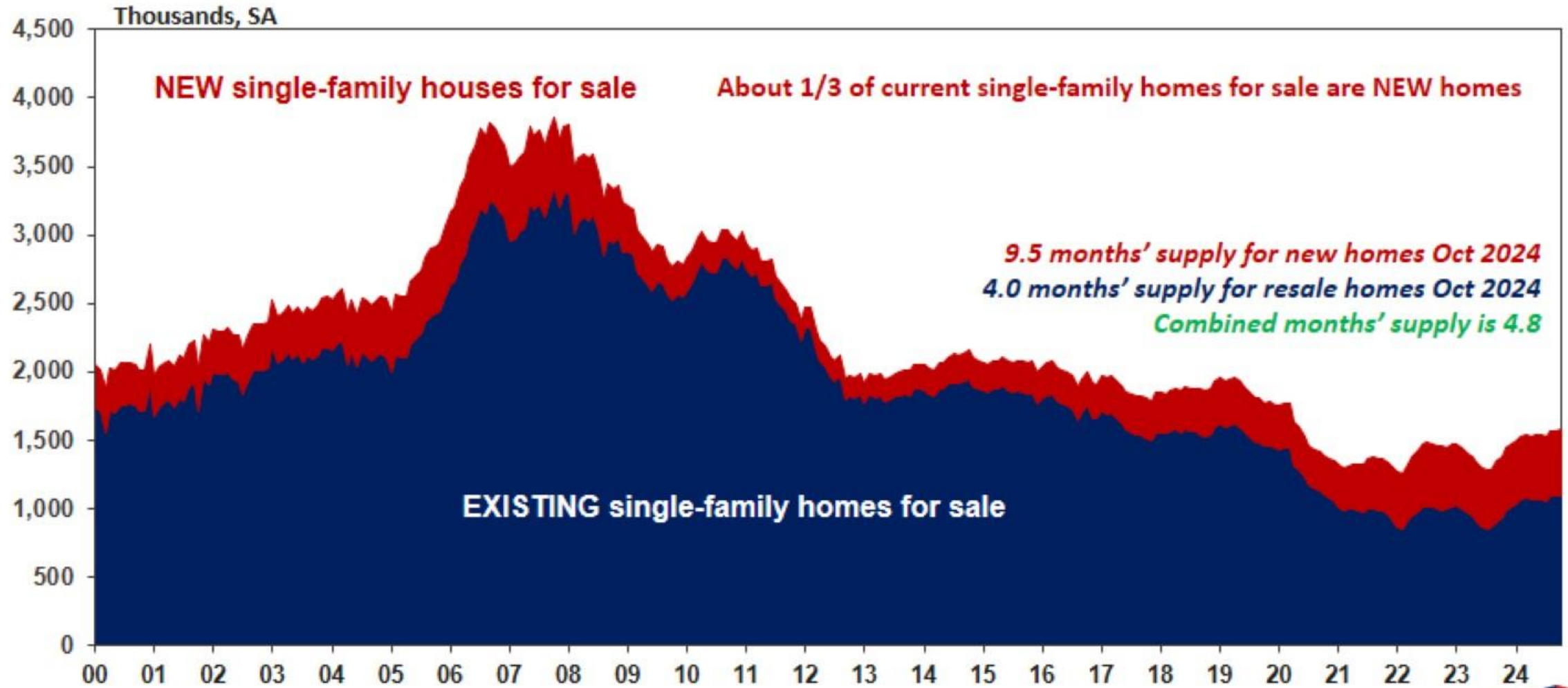
A decorative graphic on the left side of the slide. It features a horizontal dotted line in a light tan color. To the right of this line is a vertical bar that is split into two colors: dark blue on top and red on the bottom. The text 'Housing Market' is positioned to the right of this graphic.

Housing Market



Total Housing Inventory

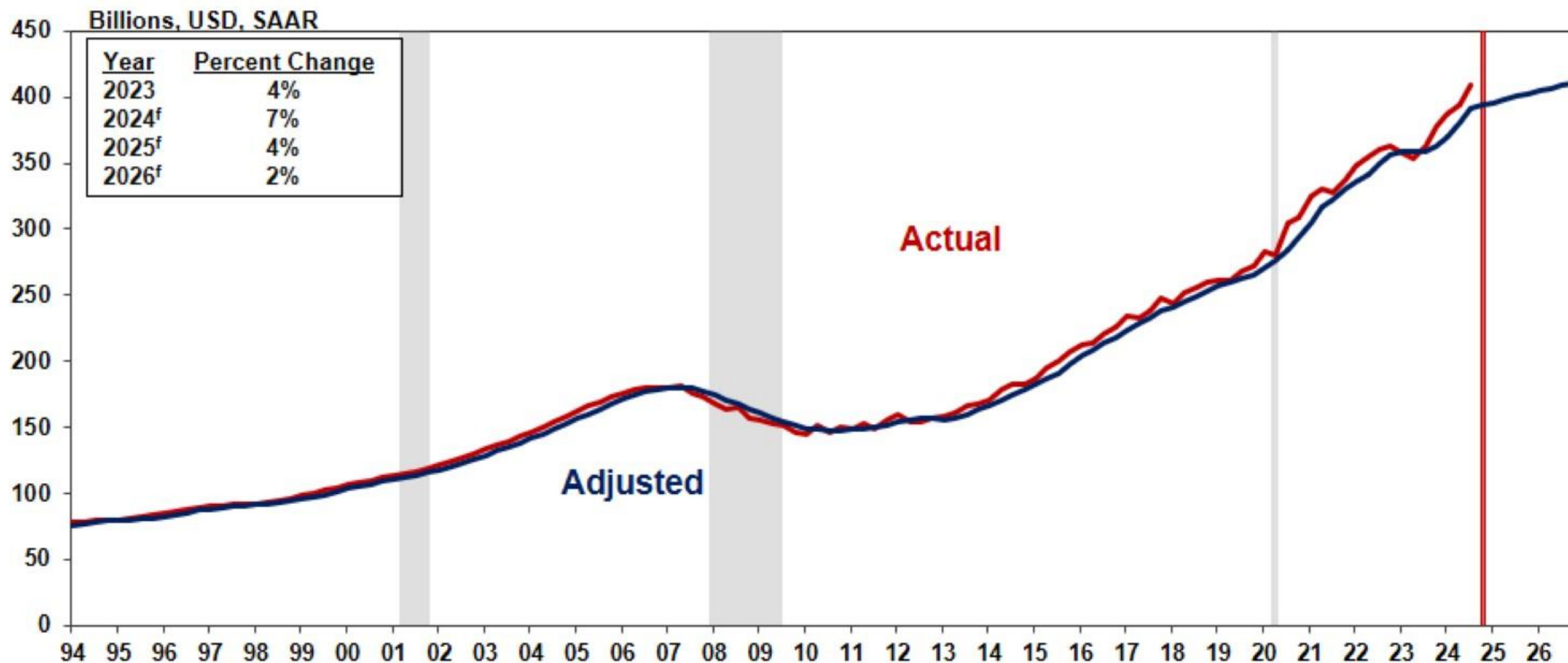
Insufficient resale inventory is supporting demand for new construction



Source: U.S. Census Bureau (BOC) and National Association of Realtors (NAR)

Residential Remodeling

Positive growth prospects

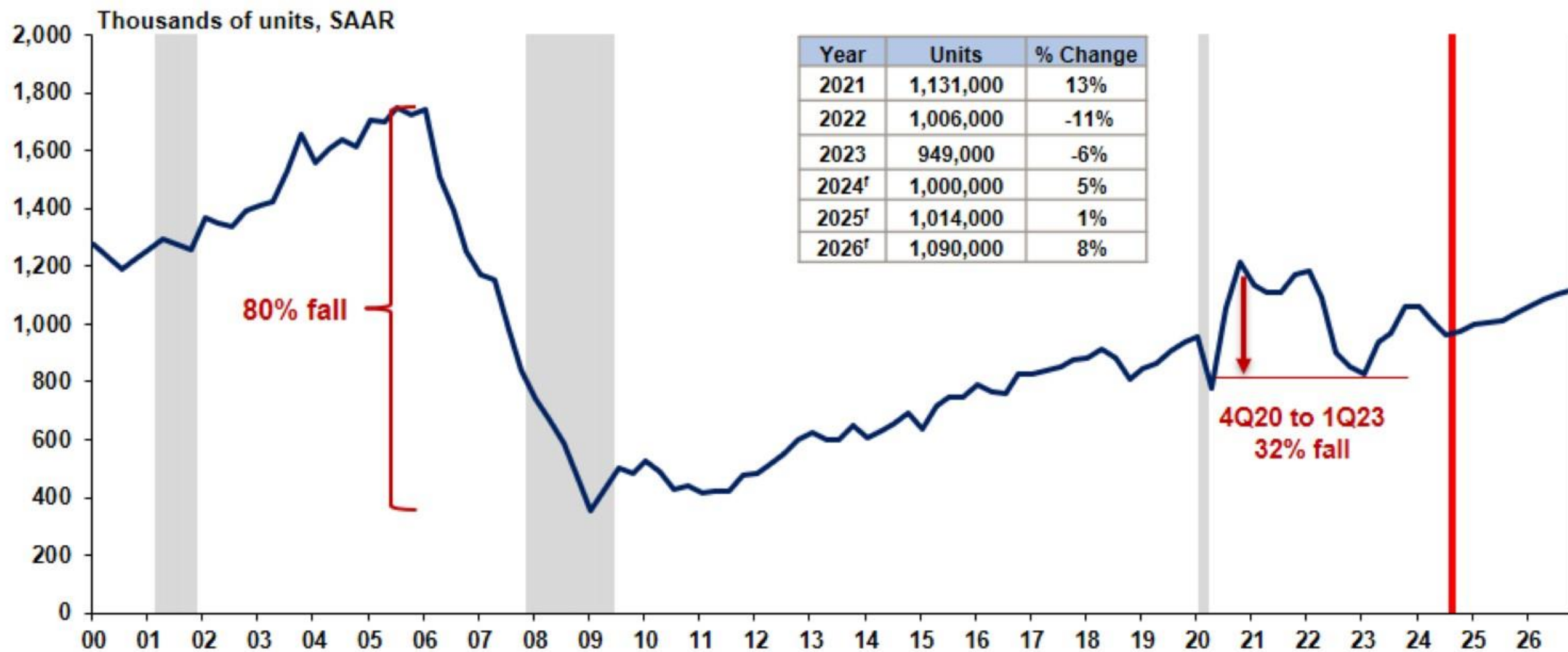


Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA): National Income and Product Accounts (NIPA) and NAHB forecast.

Note: In the analysis, 1-year moving average is used for adjusted data to smooth the trend.

Single-Family Starts

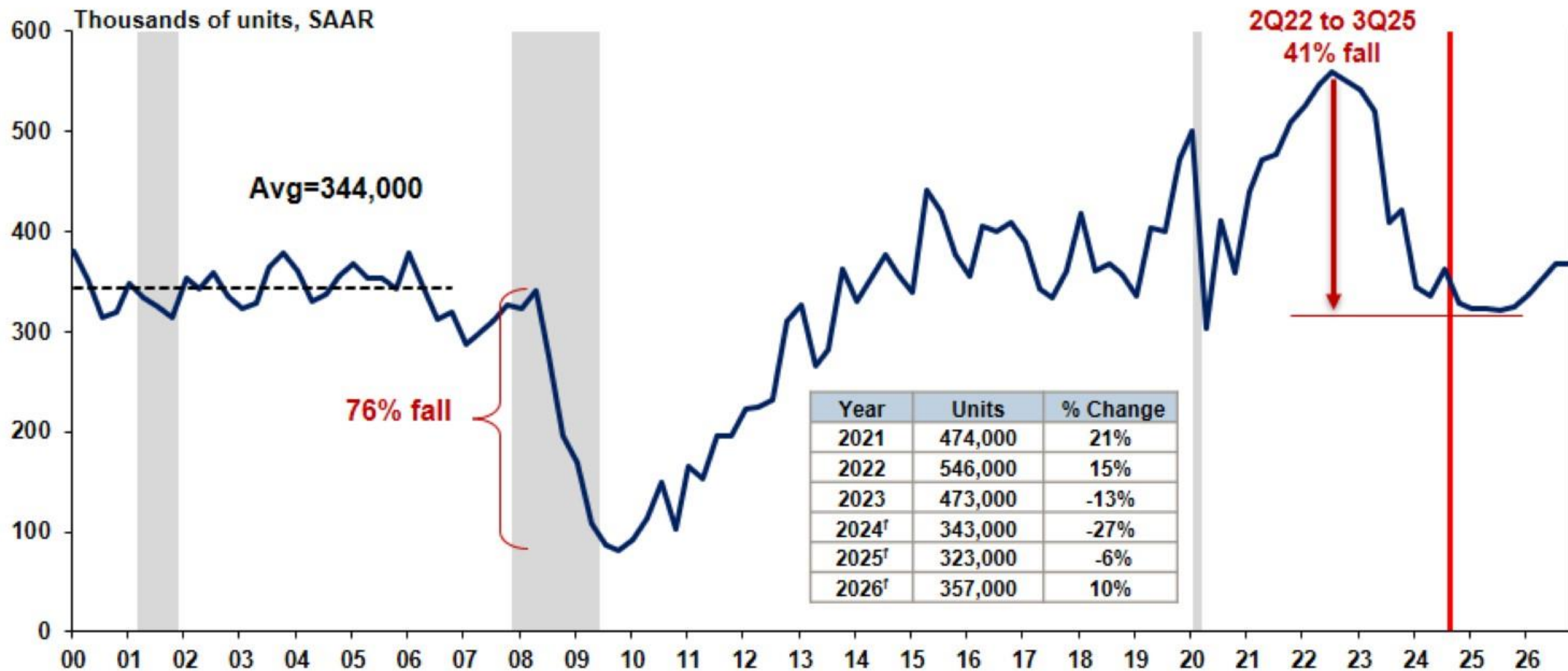
Single-family housing starts to post moderate gains as interest rates move lower



Source: U.S. Census Bureau (BOC) and NAHB forecast

Multifamily Construction Slowdown

Apartment construction will record a significant decline in 2024



Source: U.S. Census Bureau (BOC) and NAHB forecast

Challenges to Homeownership For Our Region:

NEW BUILDING CODES UPDATE – JANUARY 1 2025

ADOPTED/ IMPLEMENTED - JANUARY 1 2026

***WILL REQUIRE MORE ELECTRICAL COMPONENTS FOR
NEW RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION (i.e. - HEAT PUMP, WATER PUMP)***

***NEXT UPDATE TO BE JANUARY 1, 2027 TO POSSIBLE ALL ELECTRICAL
FOR RESIDENTIAL HOUSING***

IMMEDIATE THREAT - SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY DISTRICT
(REGIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY OVERSEEING MULTIPLE COUNTIES)
IS CURRENTLY CONSIDERING RIGHT NOW ADOPTING NEW
REQUIREMENTS FOR RENOVATIONS/REMODELS TO MANDATE NEW
ELECTRIC COMPONENTS (EXAMPLE – CHANGE A/C UNIT,
ADD NEW ELECTRIC HEAT UNIT!)
ESTIMATED INCREASING COST OF RENOVATIONS BY 15-20% OR MORE!!!

**NOTE: LAWSUIT FILED IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT – NAHB; CALIFORNIA APT.
ASSOC.; CALIF RESTURANT ASSOC & OTHERS – DEC 5TH TO SEEK
INJUNCTIVE RELIEF,**

SO – WHAT'S 2025 GOING TO LOOK LIKE?

HOUSING STARTS WILL CONTINUE TO HAPPEN...

**BUT WILL BE DEPENDENT ON RESOLUTION TO SUPPLY CHAIN ISSUES/
AVAILABILITY OF LABOR FORCE & STABILIZED INTEREST RATES**

CHALLENGES WILL BE SEEN FROM STATE & FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

WITH EVER MORE REGULATIONS/POTENTIAL NEW TARIFFS,

CODE UPDATES AND GENERAL WACKINESS

(YES – THAT IS AN OFFICIAL BUILDING TERM!)



So be prepared for any & everything to continue in 2025!



DVBA representing the Industry through Monthly Events/Programs; Working with Boys & Girls Clubs and bringing Governmental Agencies & Members together – Together we are building communities & housing for all!





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NEW OFFICE LOCATION

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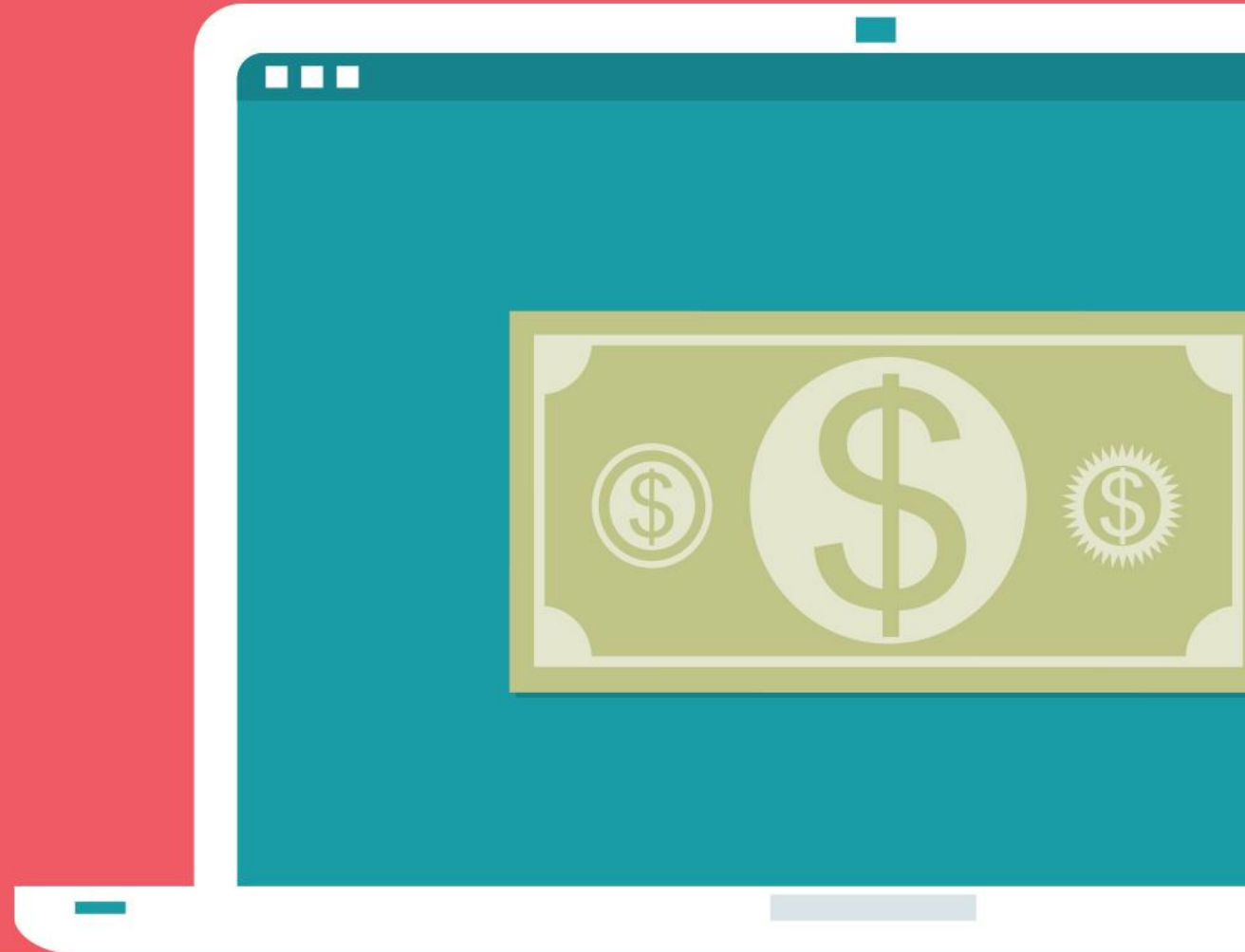


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Miguel Hernández

PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER
CALIFORNIA NATURAL RESOURCES AGENCY





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Salton Sea Management Program

Miguel Hernández, Public Affairs Officer, CNRA

Programa de Gestión de Salton Sea

Miguel Hernández, Oficial de Asuntos Públicos



Salton Sea Overview

- Located in the lower basin of ancient Lake Cahuilla, which filled and dried periodically over thousands of years as the Colorado River changed course.
- It most recently refilled between 1905 and 1907 and since then has been sustained by runoff from irrigated farmland.
- As a result of water management decisions in 2003, irrigation water has been transferred to uses outside of the Salton Sea region.
- Inflows to the Sea have decreased and are less than evaporation, resulting in loss of lake volume and of lakebed being exposed.

Descripción general del Salton Sea

- Ubicado en la cuenca baja del antiguo Lago Cahuilla, que se ha llenado y secado periódicamente a lo largo de miles de años ya que el Río Colorado cambió su curso.
- Más recientemente, se volvió a llenar entre 1905 y 1907 y, desde entonces, se sostiene con escurrimiento de tierras de cultivo irrigadas.
- Con base en las decisiones de gestión de agua en 2003, el agua de irrigación se ha transferido a usos fuera de la región de Salton Sea.
- Las entradas a Salton Sea han disminuido y son menos que evaporación, lo que produce que el volumen del lago se reduzca y que el lecho del lago quede expuesto.



Salton Sea Challenges

- Dust from exposed lakebed may affect air quality and public health for surrounding communities.
- Increased salinity in the waters of the Sea is unable to sustain many forms of aquatic life.
- Habitat values are being lost, including for several bird species on the Pacific Flyway.
- Drought and water availability

Retos del Salton Sea

- El polvo proveniente del lecho del lago expuesto puede afectar la calidad del aire y la salud pública de las comunidades aledañas.
- El aumento de la salinidad del agua de Salton Sea no permite la supervivencia de varias formas de vida acuática.
- Se pierden los valores de los hábitats, incluidas varias especies de aves en la ruta migratoria del Pacífico.
- Sequía y disponibilidad de agua.



SSMP Team



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Equipo del SSMP

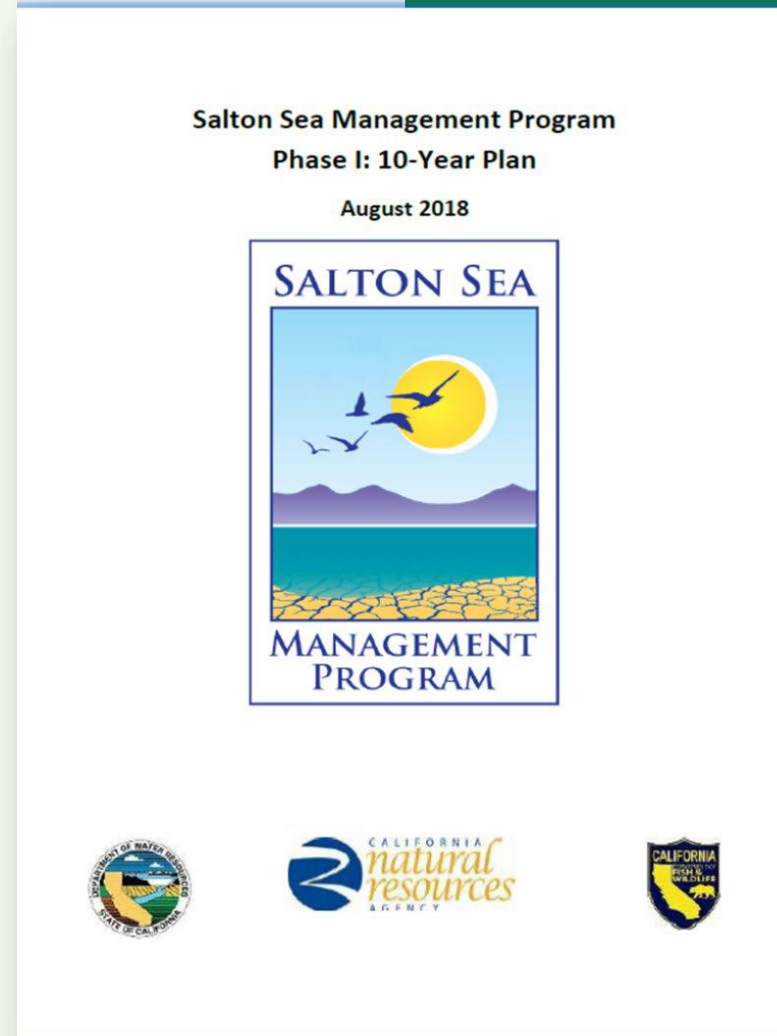


SSMP Phase I: 10-year plan

Plan a 10 años del SSMP

Phase 1: 2018 – 2028

- 10-Year Plan aims to improve conditions around the Sea by constructing 30,000 acres of projects to reduce wind-blown dust from exposed lakebed and create habitat for fish and birds.



Fase 1: 2018 – 2028

- El Plan de 10 Años tiene como objetivo mejorar las condiciones alrededor de Salton Sea al construir 30,000 acres de proyectos para reducir el polvo arrastrado por el viento proveniente del lecho del lago expuesto, y crear hábitats para peces y aves.

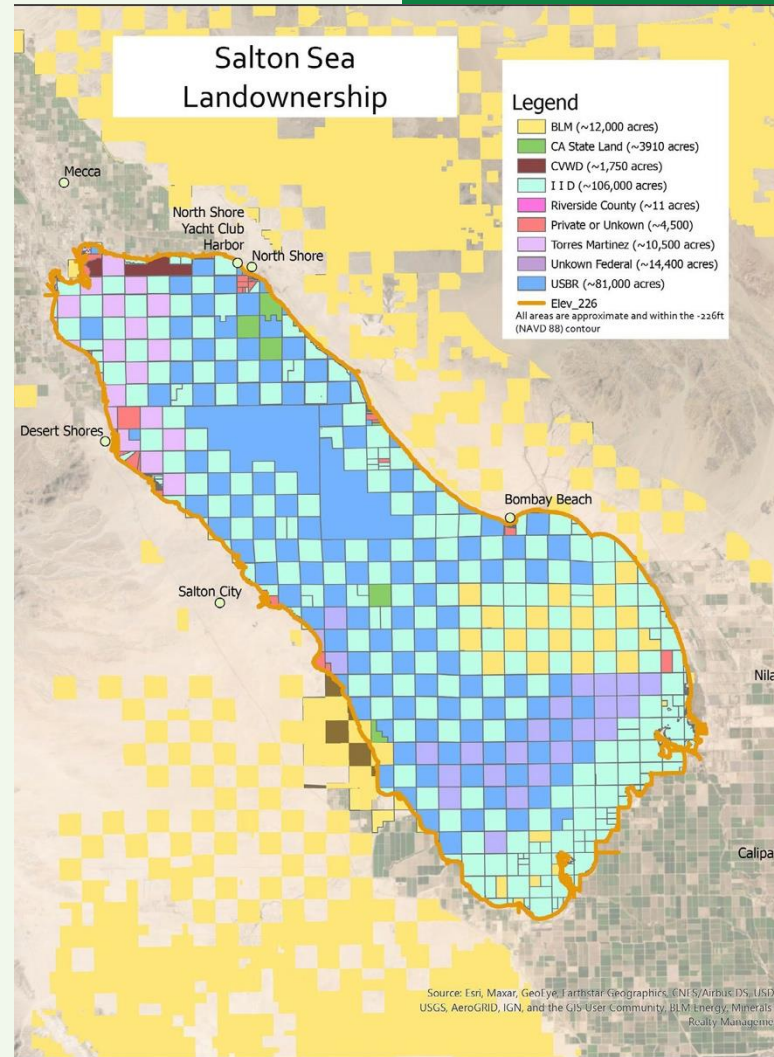
SSMP Projects

Proyectos del SSMP

Land Access Remains an Important Driver of Project Timelines

El acceso a la tierra aún es importante para los plazos del proyecto

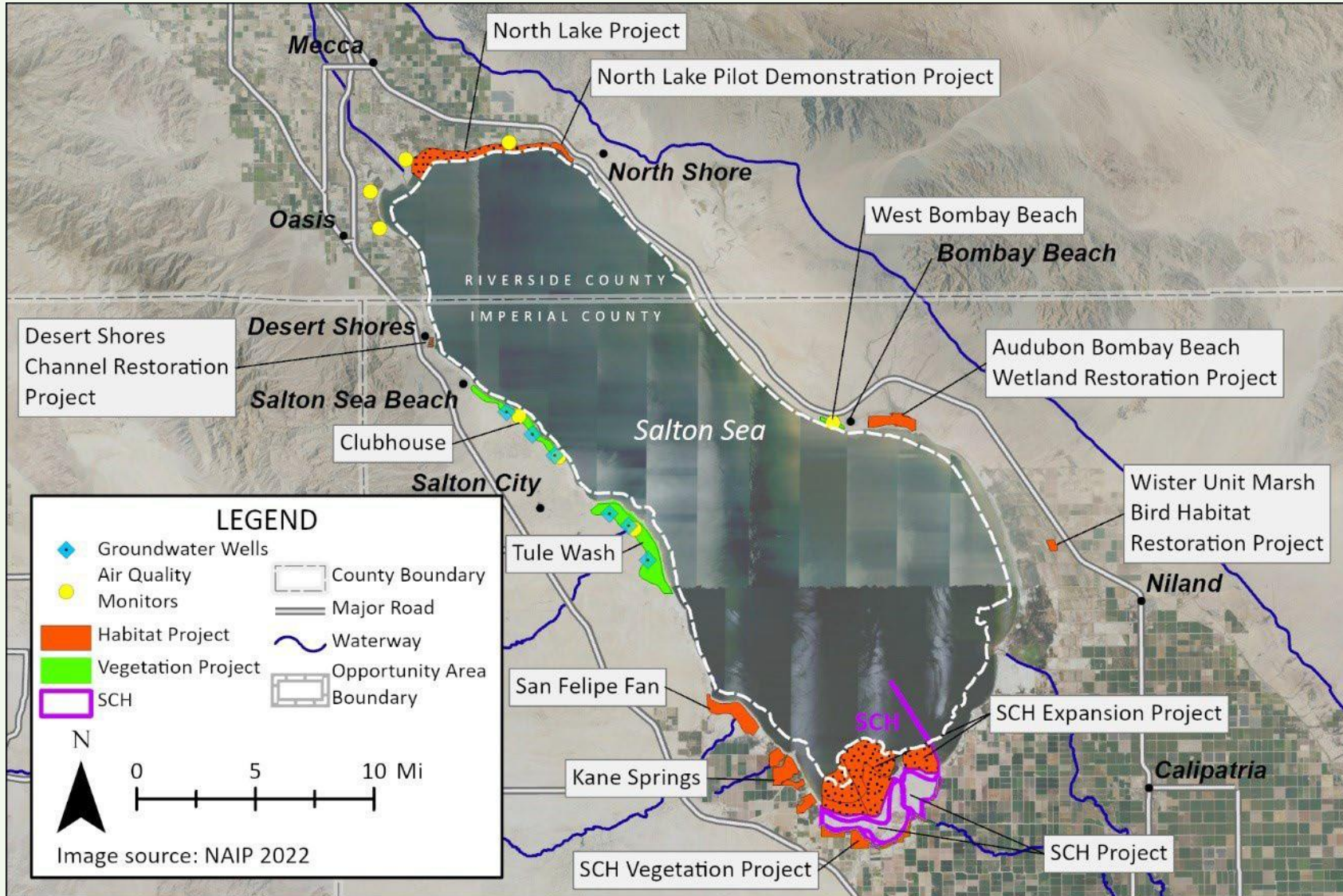
- Collaboration with landowners is critical to land access.
- Lack of state-owned lands and the checkerboard land ownership creates some challenges
- Securing land access agreements is a key driver affecting the planning and project delivery schedule



- La colaboración con propietarios es esencial para el acceso a las tierras.
- La falta de tierras estatales y el “damero” de propietarios generan varios desafíos.
- Asegurar acuerdos de acceso a la tierra es un factor clave para la planificación y el cronograma de realización del proyecto.

Projects in progress at the Sea

Proyectos en curso en Salton Sea



Species Conservation Habitat Project

(4,100 acres)

- First major habitat project of the state's 10-Year Plan.
- Improve air quality and provide critical habitat for birds and fish at the Salton Sea.
- Reduces dust emissions by covering exposed lakebed with water.

Proyecto Hábitat de Conservación de Especies (4,100 acres)

- Primer gran proyecto de hábitats del Plan a 10 años del Estado.
- Proyecte la calidad del aire y proporciona un hábitat crítico para aves y peces en el Salton Sea.
- Reduce las emisiones de polvo al cubrir con agua el lecho expuesto del lago.



Species Conservation Habitat Project
(4,100 acres)

**Proyecto Hábitat de Conservación de
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Species Conservation Habitat Project

Proyecto Hábitat de Conservación de Especies



Species Conservation Habitat Project

Proyecto Hábitat de
Conservación de Especies



SCH Expansion (4,850 acres)

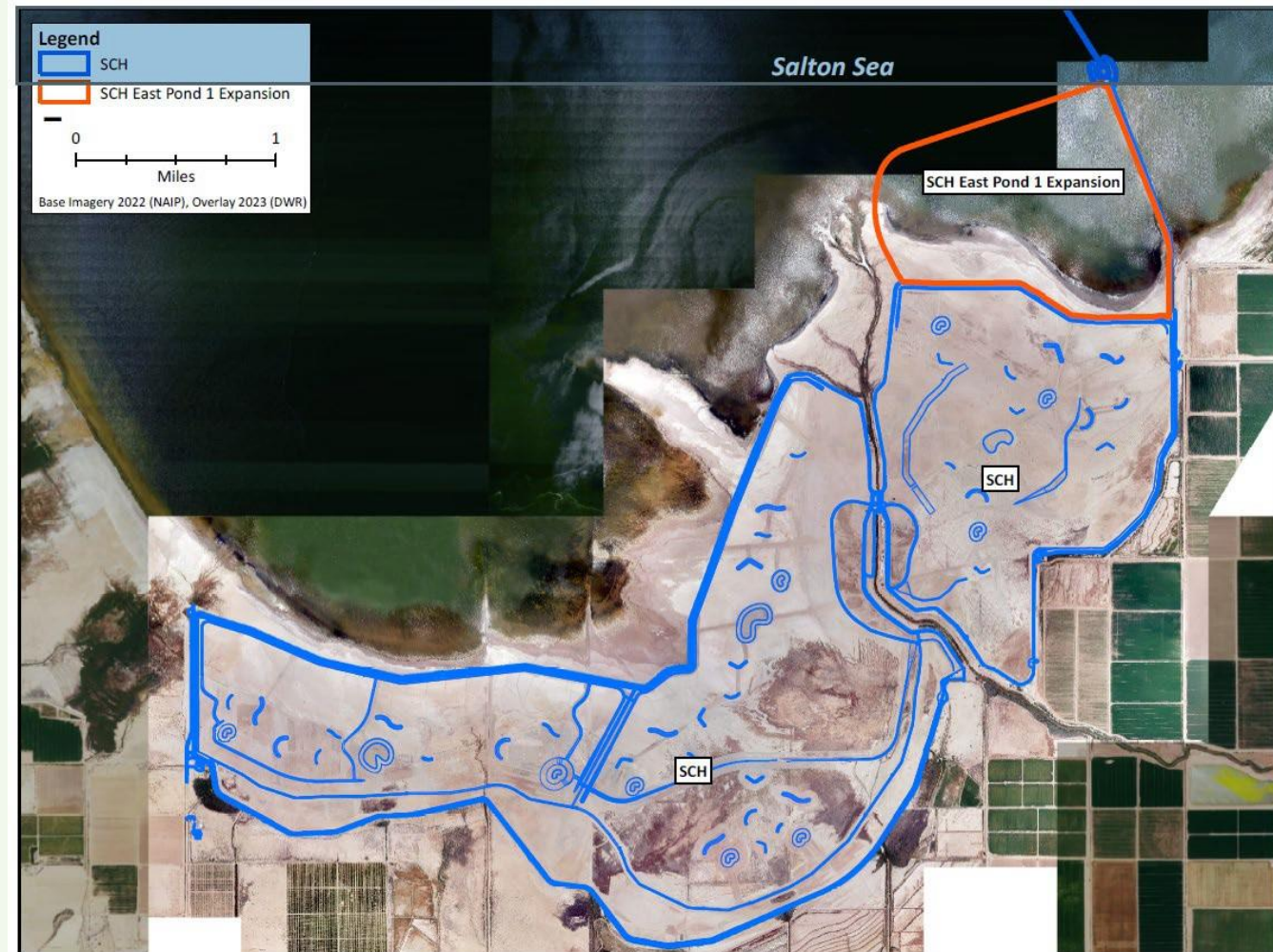
SCH Expansion of East Pond 1

- Will add ~750-acre pond to SCH
- SCH will stay dry until construction is complete
- Permitting and design are in process

Ampliación del SCH (4,850)

SCH Ampliación del Estanque Este 1

- Añadirá unos 750 acres de estanque al SCH
- El SCH permanecerá seco hasta que finalicen las obras
- Se están tramitando los permisos y el diseño



Species Conservation Habitat Project

Proyecto Hábitat de Conservación de Especies



Species Conservation Habitat Project

Proyecto Hábitat de Conservación de Especies



Vegetation Enhancement Projects

The goal of these projects is to suppress dust in exposed lakebed areas around the Salton Sea through native vegetation establishment and enhancement of existing vegetation stands.

Projects total \approx 1,700 acres

- Clubhouse 400 acres
- Tule Wash 1,215 acres
- West Bombay Beach 90 acres

Proyectos de Mejora de la Vegetación

El objetivo de estos proyectos es suprimir el polvo en las áreas de lecho de lago expuesto alrededor de Salton Sea a través de la plantación de vegetación nativa y la mejora de la vegetación existente.

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Vegetation Enhancement Projects

Veg. site Aerial View Before and Current



Clubhouse B



Clubhouse A

Proyectos de Mejora de la Vegetación

Sitio de vegetación vista antes y actual



Vegetation Enhancement Projects

Proyectos de Mejora de la Vegetación



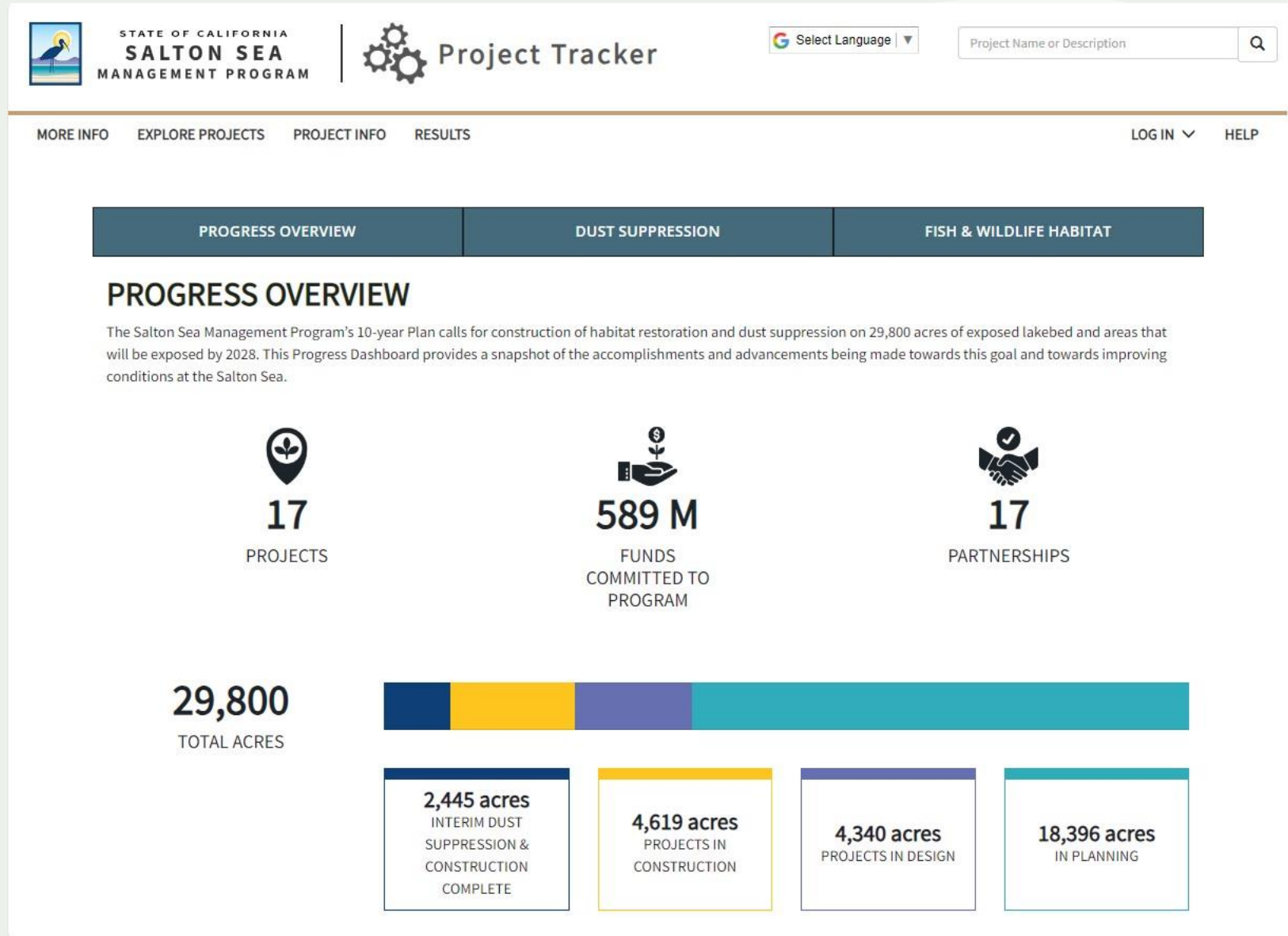


SSMP Project Tracker

- Provides details and fact sheets on SSMP Projects
- Dashboard provides a snapshot of SSMP progress for Phase I 10 Year projects.
- Updated twice a year

www.saltonsea.ca.gov

- Proporciona detalles y hojas informativas sobre los proyectos del SSMP
- El panel de control ofrece una rápida visión del progreso del SSMP para los proyectos de la Fase I a 10 años.
- Se actualiza dos veces al año



Thank You!

Learn more about multiple engagement opportunities and sign-up for updates at:



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Email the SSMP team at:

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¡Muchas Gracias!

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QUESTIONS???





Session 5 – TOUR

March 1, 2025, 8 AM – 12 PM

(breakfast included)



CVWD: Mid-Valley Pump Station

IWA: Plant 1 - Hexavalent Chromium SBA System

CVWD: Palm Desert Replenishment Ponds and
Back Feed Reservoir

Make sure to dress weather appropriate and wear closed-toed shoes.





Please watch for and complete our survey.

Thank you!

