

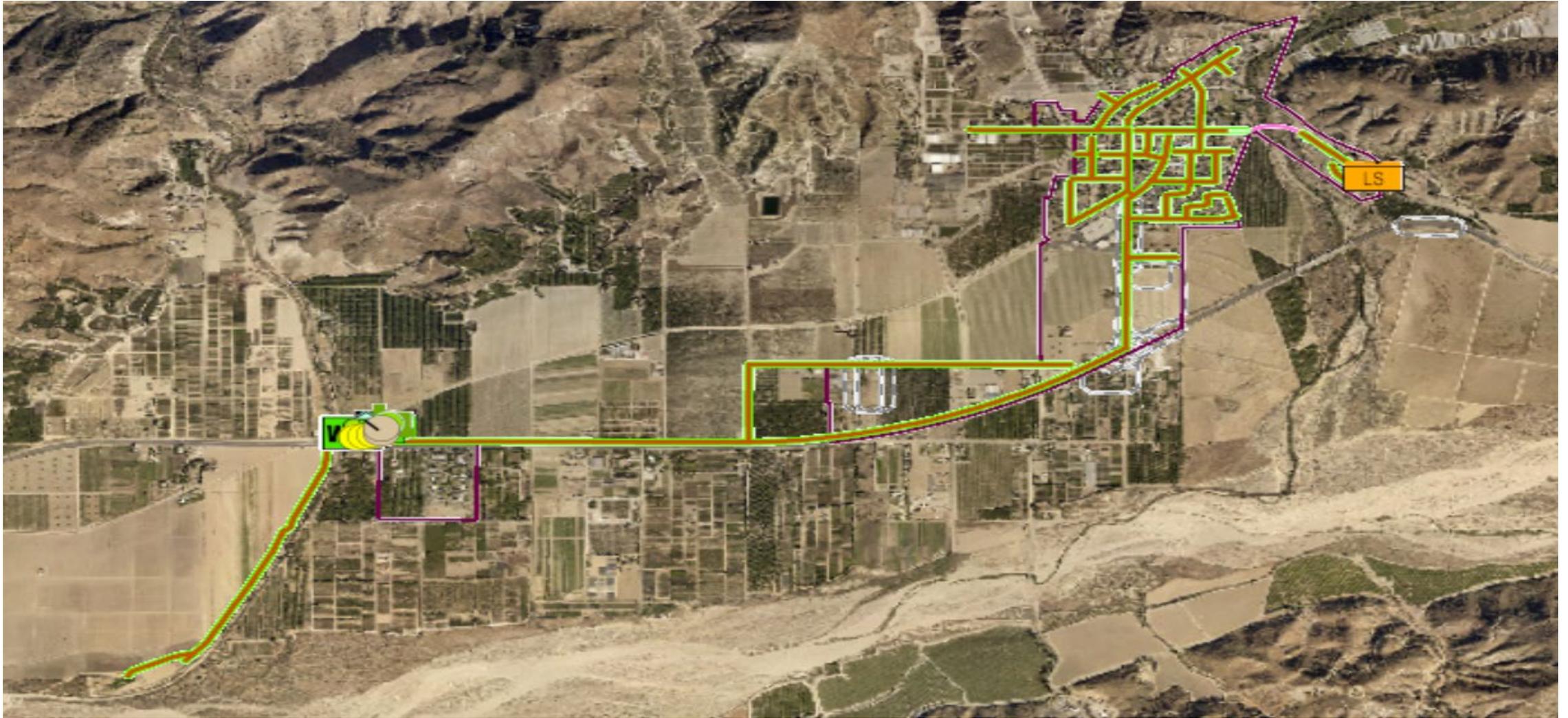
*Ventura County Waterworks District No. 16*

# **Piru Proposed Sewer Rate Increases and Standby Charges on the Tax Roll Fiscal Year 2024-25**

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Presentation to Board of Supervisors  
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# Ventura County Waterworks District No. 16 Service Area



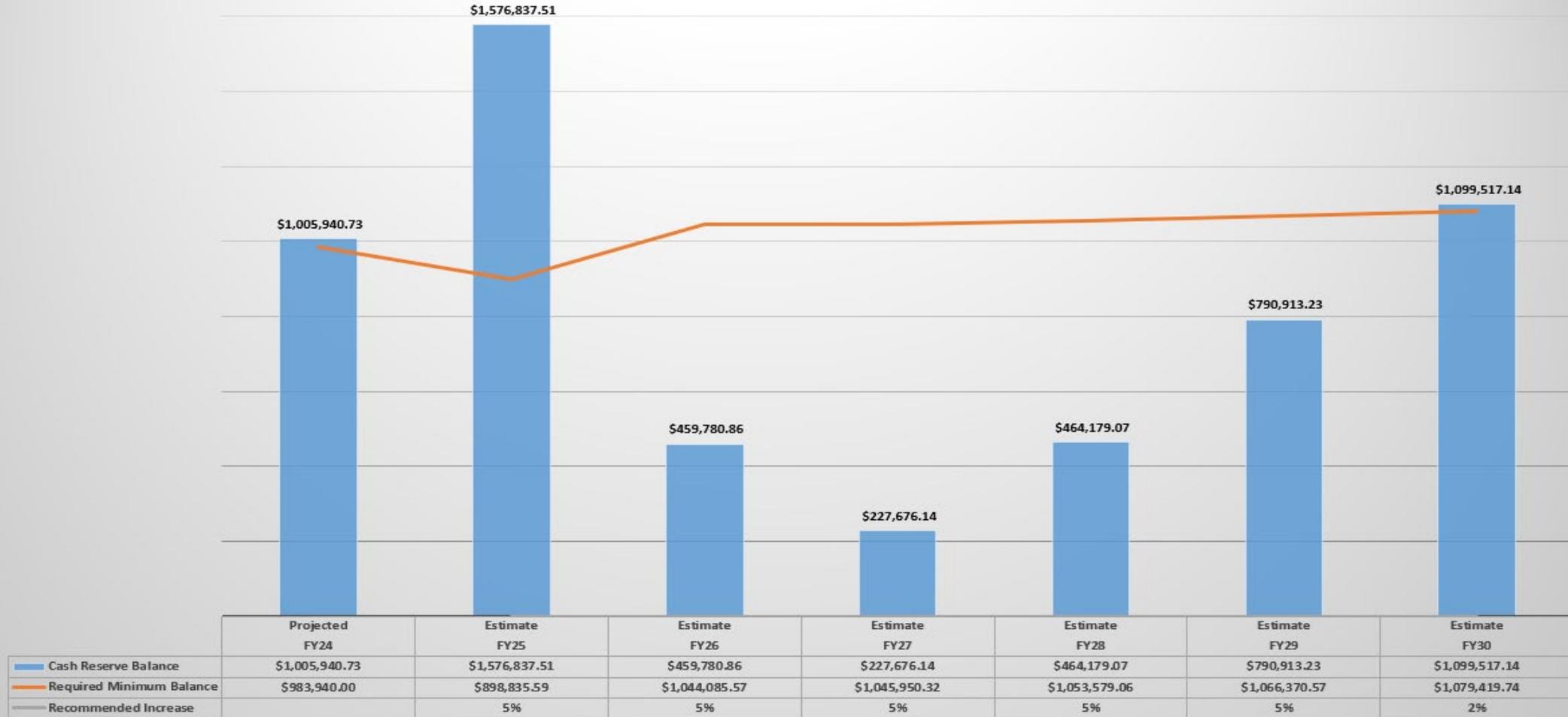
# Sewer Rate Study Assumptions:

- 3-5% inflationary increases in labor, power, and treatment costs
- Maintain appropriate financial reserves of 25% of operating expenses
- Maintain appropriate operating expenses of 10% of operating revenue
- Continue re-payment of \$2 million general fund loan related to the 2009 plant construction. Complete by Fiscal Year 2028

**Piru Sewer Services**

**Financial Impact of Proposed and Recommended Rates**

WW#16 Piru Cash Reserve Forecast



## Wastewater Planned Operations and Maintenance

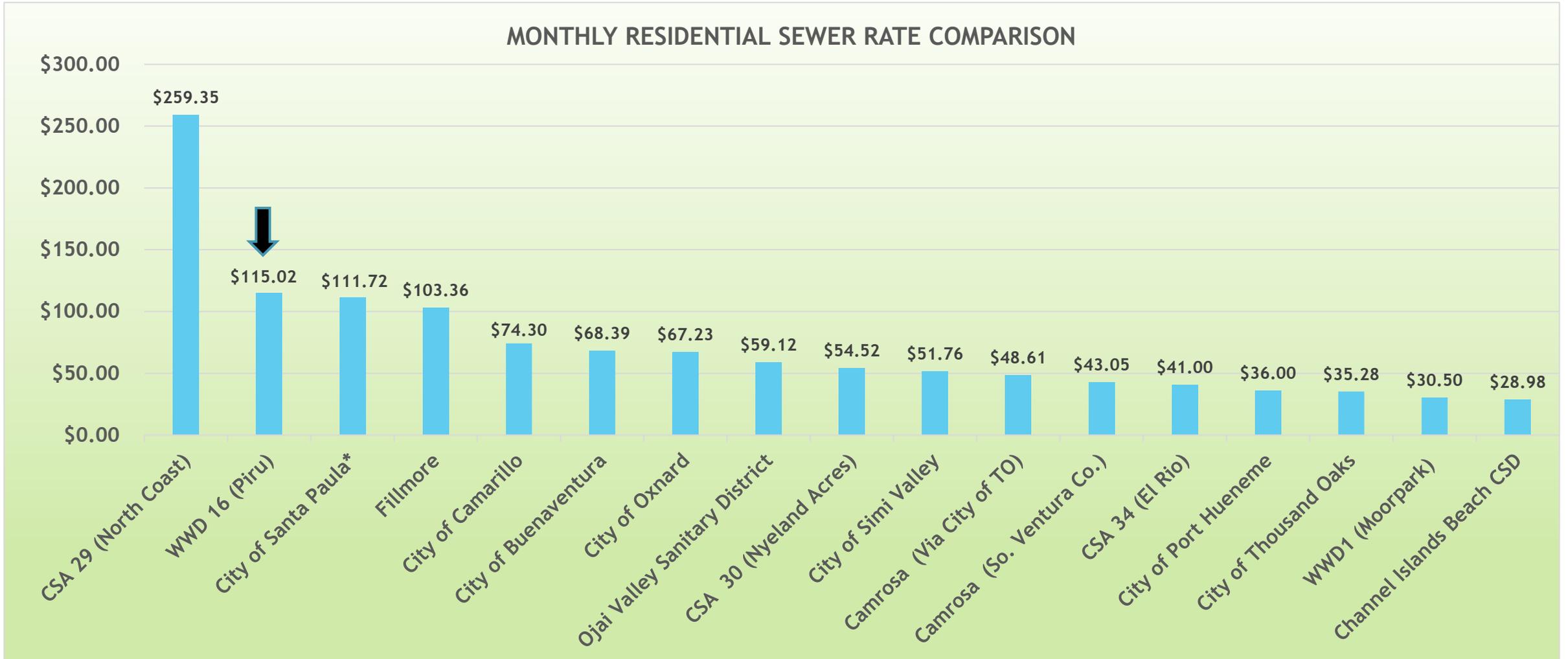
### **Future Planned Capital Construction Projects Include:**

- Improvement for sludge dewatering area
- Photovoltaic System

### **FY23-24 Accomplishments:**

- Completed construction of Piru Wastewater Tertiary Desalination Treatment Facility
- Installed Filter Belt Press for biosolids management
- Tesla Battery Energy Storage System Installed and Operating

### Piru Sewer Services



\*Santa Paula rates includes a water usage charges, estimating 12 HCF per household

# Recommendations

- Approve 5% Sewer Rate Increase
- Maintain sewer standby charges at same levels as FY 1996-97
- Approve continued placement of sewer charges on the general County tax roll



# QUESTIONS

**Piru Sewer Services**

Proposed Sewer Service Charges and Sewer Standby Charges Fiscal Year 2024-25

- 5% increase in the sewer service charges

<b>Current Rates FY 2023-24</b>	<b>Proposed Rates FY 2024-25</b>
<b>\$109.55 per month</b>	<b>\$115.02 per month</b>
<b>\$1,314.54 per year</b>	<b>\$1,380.24 per year</b>

- Increases in sewer service charges are subject to the majority protest provisions of Proposition 218 outlined in California Constitution Article XIII D, Section 6
  - Prop 218 was mailed on or before April 15, 2023
- Report sets forth the total amount of sewer service charges proposed for FY 2024-25 and describes how the sewer service charge was computed
- Maintains the sewer standby charges at the same levels set in FY 1996-97
- Continued collection of the subject sewer service charges and sewer standby charges as part of the annual general County tax roll