



Water Resources Implementation Strategy

Potential Desalter(s) in the Northern Reaches of the Calleguas Creek Watershed

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Purveyor Meeting



A wide-angle photograph of an industrial facility, likely a water treatment plant. The scene is dominated by large, grey, horizontal pipes and complex valve assemblies. Several large electric motors are connected to the piping. The facility has a high ceiling with a steel truss system and several small, square, window-like openings in the brick walls. A yellow crane is visible at the top right, and a yellow electrical control cabinet stands on the left. The floor is a smooth, light-colored concrete.

Background



A New Model for Resilience

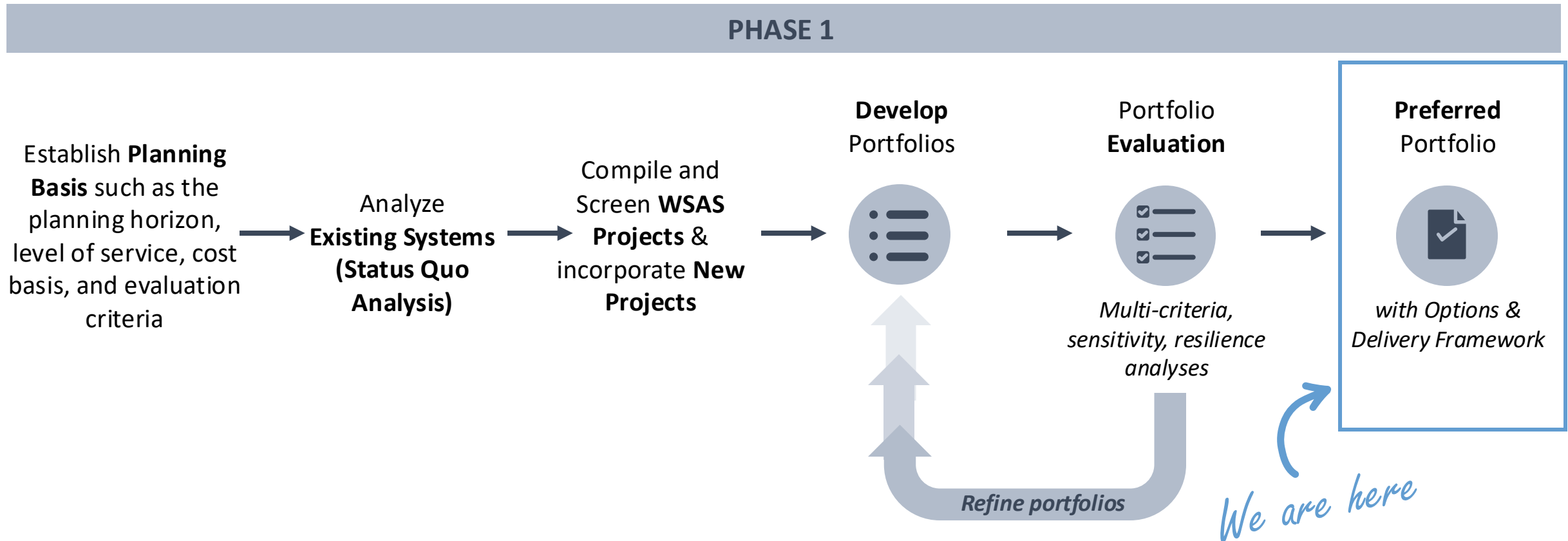
Calleguas's Board determined that its future will involve greater resilience through partnerships and regional collaboration to develop water supply, storage, conveyance, and programs.

Water Resources Implementation Strategy (WRIST)

- Build on history of extensive regional collaboration to enhance existing partnerships and forge new ones.
- Address long-term water supply reliability and resiliency along with outages.
- Characterize and evaluate portfolios of projects with a regional focus.
- Acknowledge risks and uncertainties and develop an adaptive management plan to address them.



Water Resource Portfolio Development & Regional Alignment



List of Projects

Background

- Initially developed from WSAS “leading contender” group of projects with refinement.
- Additional conceptual projects added based on feedback from previous Workshops, Partner Interviews, and follow-up meetings with Regional Partners
- Categorized by benefit:

Core Projects
- All conditions

Drought and Outage Projects
- Dry year/outages

Outage Only
- Imported water outages

- Sorted by Pressure Zone Region (see map)
- 27+ projects considered
- 23 projects grouped into portfolios



PORTFOLIO THEMES

Project Map

Map provides location of projects, benefit category, and Pressure Zone Region



Portfolio Analysis Findings



Investment in local supply projects provides greater reliability at a lower long-term cost relative to the Status Quo, while significantly reducing demand for imported water.



Investment in local supplies and local storage provides the greatest reliability and resilience but will require West to East Transmission to fully utilize all supplies and increases portfolio costs.



Drought storage projects provide increased reliability but have high unit costs due to the high cost of imported (stored) water and infrequent use.



Local projects can be adaptively phased to incrementally increase reliability while moderating cost impacts.

A photograph of an industrial water treatment facility. Large blue pipes and valves are visible, with yellow labels such as "FILTER INLET", "BACKWASH SUPPLY", and "TO WASTE". The scene is dimly lit, with a blue color cast. The word "Recommendations" is overlaid in white text with a white underline.

Recommendations

Draft Preferred Portfolio

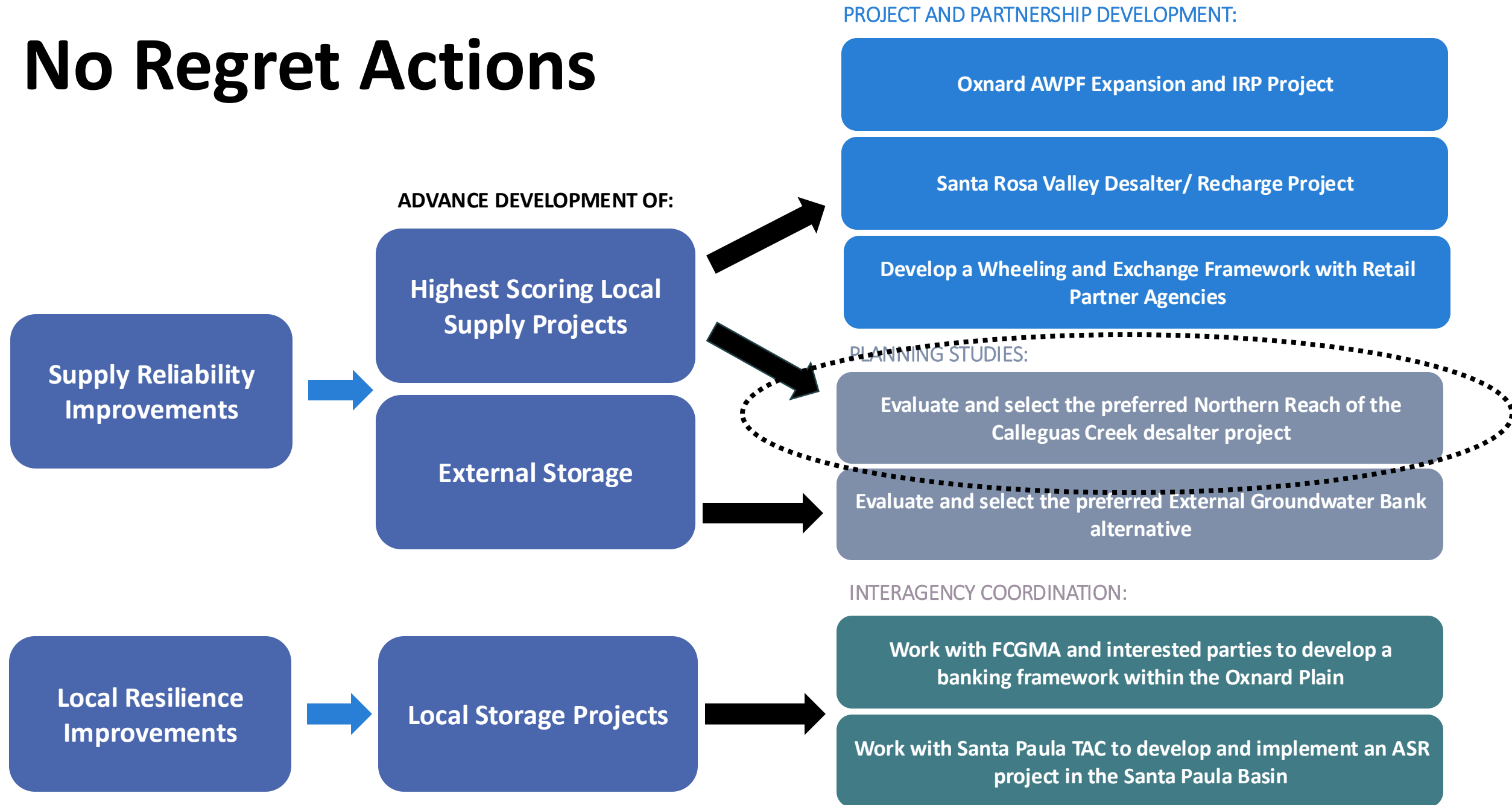
Common to all Hybrid Portfolios

- Oxnard AWPf Expansion and IPR Project
- Northern Reach of Calleguas Creek Watershed Desalter Project
- Santa Rosa Valley Desalter/ Recharge
- West-East Transmission
- New Newbury Park Wells with Treatment
- Increase Pleasant Valley Basin Pumping Capacity to Extract Camrosa Water District Credits

Other Top Performing Projects from Hybrid Portfolios

- Additional ASR in Santa Paula Basin
- Oxnard Plain Program
- South Oxnard Plain Brackish Water Treatment Facility (UWCD Extraction Barrier Brackish Water Treatment Project with conveyance to Calleguas)
- External Groundwater Bank
- Expansion of Camrosa Non-Potable Water System

No Regret Actions

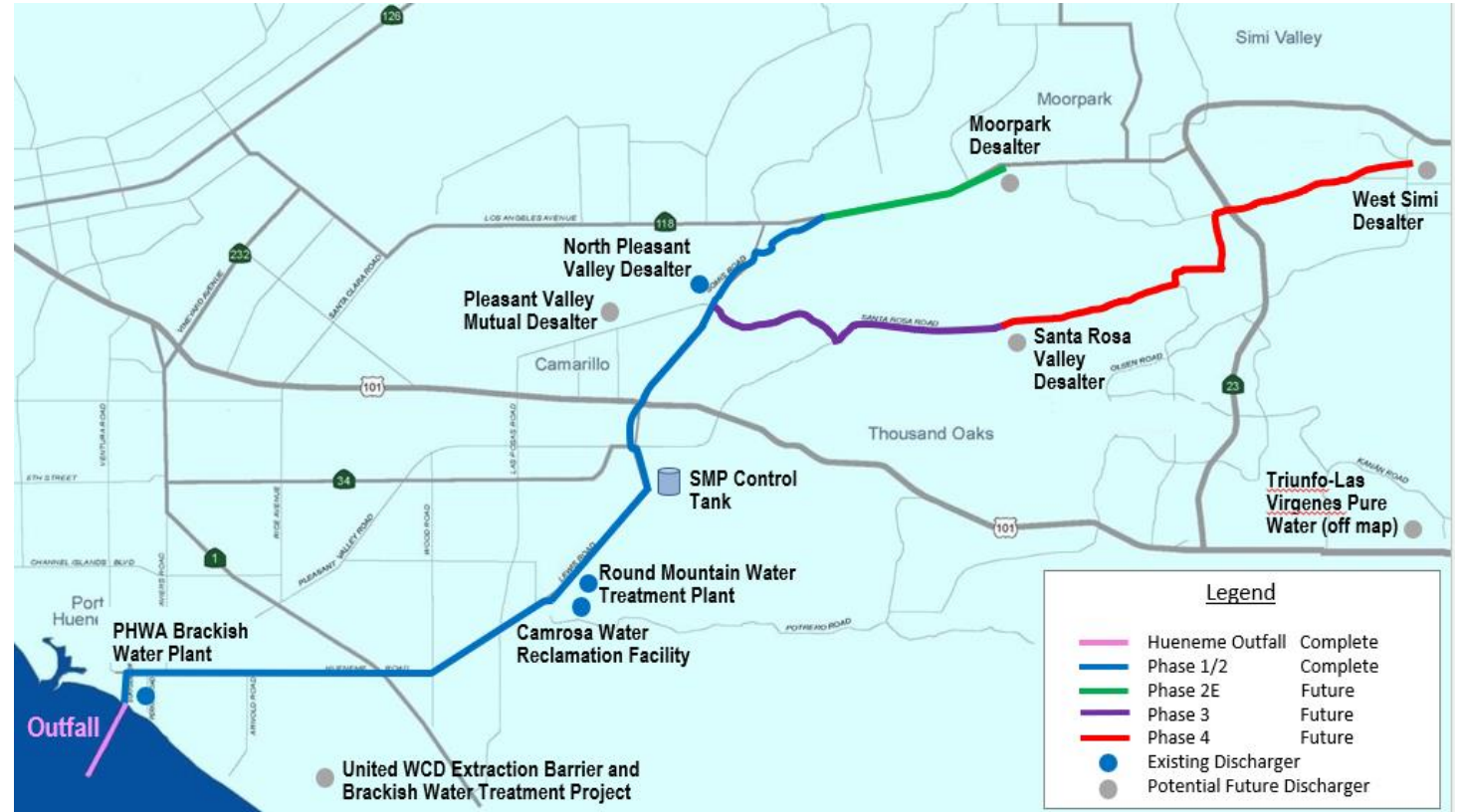


An aerial photograph of a large, cylindrical, light-colored industrial water storage tank. The tank is situated in a desert environment with dry, brownish-yellow fields. In the background, there are large, rugged mountains under a clear blue sky. To the right of the tank, there is a large, rectangular structure covered with a white, translucent material, possibly a greenhouse or a covered storage area. Several cars are parked nearby. The tank has various pipes, valves, and a small platform on top. The overall scene suggests a water management or desalination facility in an arid region.

Potential Desalters

Potential Desalter Concepts

- Moorpark Desalter
- Simi Valley Desalter
- North Pleasant Valley Desalter, Phase 2
- Other options?



Moorpark Desalter

- Previously explored by VCWWD
- East Las Posas Valley Basin
- Estimated initial capacity of 2.25 mgd.
- Requires extension of the SMP.



Simi Valley Desalter



- Previously explored by City of Simi Valley, but put on hold in 2018 due to negative public reaction.
- Simi Valley Basin.
- Estimated initial capacity of 6 mgd.
- Requires extension of the SMP.



North Pleasant Valley Desalter, Phase 2

- Previously explored in Title XVI Feasibility Study and WRIST.
- Existing NPV Desalter was constructed with expansion potential.
- Estimated potential capacity increase from 4 mgd to 8 mgd.
- Source water would be non-native water (SVWQCP effluent and water produced from groundwater dewatering wells sourced from Simi Valley) recovered downstream and conveyed to the NPV Desalter via a combination of repurposing SMP Phase 2D and new pipelines.
- No SMP extension required.

The image shows an industrial water treatment facility. In the foreground, there are two large reverse osmosis (RO) systems. Each system consists of a blue metal frame supporting multiple rows of white cylindrical RO membranes. The system on the left has a 'RAW WATER' inlet pipe. The system on the right has a black motor. Both systems are connected to a network of pipes and valves. The background shows more industrial equipment and a large white storage tank. The text 'Proposed Next Steps' is overlaid in the center of the image.

Proposed Next Steps

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CONVENE WORKING GROUP OF STAFF FROM
AGENCIES INTERESTED IN
EVALUATING/PARTICIPATING.



DEVELOP STRUCTURE FOR ELECTED OFFICIAL
TASK FORCE/ADVISORY GROUP.



ISSUE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR
CONSULTANT TO EVALUATE POTENTIAL DESALTER
CONCEPTS AND HELP IDENTIFY MOST FEASIBLE,
BENEFICIAL, AND COST EFFECTIVE CONCEPT.

A wide-angle landscape photograph capturing a serene sunset or sunrise scene. The sun is a bright, glowing orb positioned centrally on the horizon, casting a long, shimmering reflection across the calm surface of a large body of water. The sky is a vast expanse of blue, filled with numerous small, white, puffy clouds that catch the low light of the sun. In the distance, a range of low, rolling mountains or hills stretches across the horizon. On the left side of the frame, a small wooden pier or dock extends into the water, with some reeds visible in the immediate foreground. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

Questions?