

AGENDA
1092nd MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE ALAMEDA COUNTY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT
JULY 14TH, 2021

TIME: 5:00 P.M.
PLACE: Teleconference Only, **see below**
TRUSTEES: P. Robert Beatty, President, City of Berkeley
Subru Bhat, Secretary, City of Union City
Cathy Roache, County-at-Large
Wendi Poulson, City of Alameda
Preston Jordan, City of Albany
Shawn Kumagai, City of Dublin
City of Emeryville, vacant
George Young, City of Fremont
Elisa Márquez, City of Hayward
Steven Cox, City of Livermore
Eric Hentschke, City of Newark
Jan O. Washburn, City of Oakland
Andrew Mingst, City of Piedmont
Julie Testa, City of Pleasanton
Victor Aguilar, City of San Leandro

1. Call to order.
2. Roll call.
3. President Beatty invites any member of the public to speak at this time on any issue relevant to the District (Each individual is limited to three minutes).
4. Approval of the minutes of the 1091st Regular Meeting held June 9th, 2021 (**Board action required**).
5. Appointment of a committee to nominate candidates for vacant District Officers (**Board Action required**).
6. Nominating Committee nominates a slate of District Officers for Board approval (**Board action required**).
 - a. Board seniority and past or expected Presidential year.
7. Presentation on mosquito control products by Field Operations Supervisor Joseph Huston (Information only).
8. Financial Reports as of June 30th, 2021: (Information only).
 - a. Check Register
 - b. Income Statement
 - c. Investments, reserves, and cash report
 - d. Balance Sheet

9. Presentation of the Monthly Staff Report (Information only).
10. Presentation of the Manager's Report (Information only).
 - a. Staff Anniversaries
 - b. Mosquitoes in cemeteries outreach project
 - c. CSDA July Take Action Brief Newsletter
 - d. CSDA Annual Conference (in-person): Monday, August 30th – Thursday, September 2nd at the Monterey Conference Center.
 - e. Joint Meeting of Alameda and Contra Costa CSDA Chapters: Monday, July 12th 9:00AM via Zoom [https://us06web.zoom.us/s/88016348923](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88016348923)
 - f. Thursday December 2nd AB 1825 training at ACMAD facility for staff, also open for Trustees to attend.
 - g. Training overdue: AB 1234: Aguilar, Jordan; AB 1825: Aguilar, Jordan
11. Board President asks for reports on conferences and seminars attended by Trustees.
12. Board President asks for announcements from members of the Board.
13. Board President asks trustees for items to be added to the agenda for the next Board meeting.
14. Adjournment.

RESIDENTS ATTENDING THE MEETING MAY SPEAK ON ANY AGENDA ITEM AT THEIR REQUEST.

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IMPORANT NOTICE REGARDING COVID-19 AND TELECONFERENCED MEETINGS:

Based on the mandates by the Governor in Executive Order 33-20 and the County Public Health Officer to shelter in place and the guidance from the CDC, to minimize the spread of the coronavirus, please note the following changes to the District's ordinary meeting procedures:

- The District offices are not open to the public at this time.
- The meeting will be conducted via teleconference using Zoom. (See Executive Order 29-20)
- All members of the public seeking to observe and/or to address the local legislative body may participate in the meeting telephonically or otherwise electronically in the manner described below.

HOW TO OBSERVE THE MEETING:

Telephone: Listen to the meeting live by calling Zoom at **(669) 900-6833**

Enter the **Meeting ID#** 890 5821 7926 followed by the pound (#) key.

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Mobile: Log in through the Zoom mobile app on a smartphone and enter **Meeting ID#** 890 5821 7926

HOW TO SUBMIT PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Before the Meeting: Please email your comments to acmad@mosquitoes.org, write "Public Comment" in the subject line. In the body of the email, include the agenda item number and title, as well as your comments. If you would like your comment to be read aloud at the meeting (not to exceed three minutes at staff's cadence), prominently write "Read Aloud at Meeting" at the top of the email. All comments received before 12:00 PM the day of the meeting will be included as an agenda supplement on the District's website under the relevant meeting date and provided to the Trustees at the meeting. Comments received after this time will be treated as contemporaneous comments.

Contemporaneous Comments: During the meeting, the Board President or designee will announce the opportunity to make public comments and identify the cut off time for submission. Please email your comments to acmad@mosquitoes.org, write "Public Comment" in the subject line. In the body of the email, include the agenda item number and title, as well as your comments. Once the public comment period is closed, all comments timely received will be read aloud at the meeting (not to exceed three minutes at staff's cadence). Comments received after the close of the public comment period will be added to the record after the meeting.

MINUTES

1091st MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ALAMEDA COUNTY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT

June 9th, 2020

TIME: 5:00 P.M.
PLACE: *Zoom Teleconference Only*
TRUSTEES: P. Robert Beatty, President, City of Berkeley
Betsy Cooley, Vice-President, City of Emeryville
Subru Bhat, Secretary, City of Union City
Cathy Roache, County-at-Large
Wendi Poulson, City of Alameda
Preston Jordan, City of Albany
Shawn Kumagai, City of Dublin
George Young, City of Fremont
Elisa Marquez, City of Hayward
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1. Board President Beatty called the regularly scheduled board meeting to order at 5:01 P.M. Trustee Kumagai added in the group chat, "President Beatty, I'm logged in, but I have to step away for 5-10 minutes. I'll be right back" at 5:00 P.M. Trustee Marquez added in the group chat, "I apologize for my tardiness, I was in another zoom," at 5:01 P.M. President Beatty also added in the group chat, "No need to apologize," at 5:02 P.M.
2. Trustees Beatty, Cooley, Bhat, Poulson, Kumagai, Young, Marquez, Cox, Hentschke, Washburn, Mingst, Testa and Aguilar were present on the Zoom conference. Trustee Jordan was absent.
3. Board President Beatty invited members of the public to speak on any issue relevant to the District. Information Technology Director Robert Ferdan was present for technical support. Vector Biologist Jeremy Sette was present to record the minutes. No public comments were submitted.
4. Approval of the minutes of the 1090th meeting held May 12th, 2021.
Motion: Trustee Marquez moved to approve the minutes.
Second: Trustee Aguilar
Vote: motion carries: unanimous.
5. Public Hearing on the proposed tax rate.
Discussion:

The General Manager noted a typo in the agenda concerning the incorrect Resolution number that was fixed for posting. No members of the public were present.

6. Resolution 1091-1, a resolution ordering the levy of assessments for fiscal year 2021-22 for the Alameda County Mosquito Abatement District Mosquito and Disease Control Assessment.
Motion: Trustee Washburn moved to approve Resolution 1091-1.
Second: Trustee Hentschke
Vote: motion carries: unanimous.
7. Closed session to discuss the General Manager's twelve-month evaluation pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6.
8. Compensation recommendation of General Manager Ryan Clausnitzer based on a recommendation from the Manager Evaluation Committee and according to the employee contract. The Board returned from closed session and recommended the following compensation proposal: 4% increase in base salary compensation along with a 1% performance compensation added to the existing compensation package.
Motion: Vice-President Cooley moved to approve the compensation proposal for General Manager Ryan Clausnitzer of a 4% increase in base salary compensation with 1% performance compensation with the existing compensation package.
Second: Secretary Bhat
Vote: motion carries: unanimous.
9. Financial Reports as of May 31st, 2021.
Discussion:
The General Manager presented the Financial Reports as of May 31st, 2021.
10. Presentation of the Monthly Staff Report.
Discussion:
The General Manager presented the Monthly Staff Report. The General Manager thanked Trustee Hentschke for his assistance with NextDoor outreach and also noted the change in EVS trap reporting in the Lab report, per a request by President Beatty.
11. Presentation of the Manager's Report.
Discussion:
The General manager presented the Manager's Report.
12. Board President Beatty asked for reports on conferences and seminars attended by Trustees. None.
13. Board President Beatty asked for announcements from the Board. The General Manager congratulated Trustee Cox for completing the Special District Leadership Academy who commented how much he learned from the experience.
14. Board President Beatty asked trustees for items to be added to the agenda for the next Board meeting. President Beatty suggested an informational item regarding the mosquito control products used by the District would be helpful. The General Manager agreed and suggested that Field Operations Supervisor Joseph Huston would be the best fit to present this information.

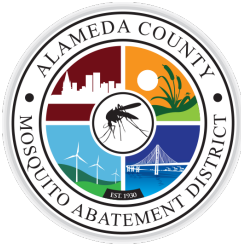
15. The meeting adjourned at 6:34 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved as written and/or corrected
at the 1092nd meeting of the Board of
Trustees held July 14th, 2021

P. Robert Beatty, President
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Subru Bhat, Secretary
BOARD OF TRUSTEES



7/9/2021

Board of Trustees

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Berkeley

Secretary

Subru Bhat

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Ryan Clausnitzer

General Manager

Due to former Vice-President Cooley’s resignation from the Board in June 2021, the Vice-President position is now vacant. Traditionally, Trustees vote in new Board Officers based on seniority at the beginning of the calendar year based on a recommendation from a nominating committee the month prior. To fill *this* vacancy, a nominating committee appointed by the Board President will review the seniority list and ask the candidates if they are interested in serving as a Board Officer. If the candidates accept the invitation, the Board will vote in an election at the August meeting.

Based on these traditions, the candidates to fill the vacant positions for the remainder of 2021 would be:

- Vice-President Subru Bhat
- Secretary Victor Aguilar

Updates to Board Policies later this year will formalize these traditions, and processes, to better account for situations such as these.

ACMAD Board Presidents			
NAME	SEAT	Date Appointed	Presidential year
Robert Beatty	Berkeley	4/26/2016	2021
Subru Bhat	Union City	1/9/2018	2022
Victor Aguilar	San Leandro	2/4/2019	2023
Cathy Roache	County at Large	2/11/2019	2024
Julie Testa	Pleasanton	12/19/2019	2025
Shawn Kumagai	Dublin	2/4/2020	2026
Andrew Mingst	Piedmont	5/26/2020	2027
Preston Jordan	Albany	12/21/2020	2028
Steven Cox	Livermore	1/11/2021	2029
Jan Washburn	Oakland	12/1/1993	1996, 2012, 2030
George Young	Fremont	2/1/2013	2015, 2031
Elisa Marquez	Hayward	3/3/2015	2018, 2032
Eric Hentschke	Newark	1/14/2016	2019, 2033
Wendi Poulson	Alameda	10/20/2015	2020, 2034
vacant	Emeryville		

Figure 1. ACMAD Board Presidents as of July 9th, 2021

Overview of mosquito control products

Joseph Huston
7/14/21
ACMAD Board of Trustees

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Mosquito Control methods

- Physical
 - Source reduction (maintaining tidal ditches)
- Chemical, biological, & natural predators (mosquitofish)

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	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019
PHYSICAL CONTROL OPERATIONS:					
Maintenance of ditches (linear feet)	0	0	0	13,091	15,712
BIODETERIORATION OPERATIONS:					
Total number of sites treated with GenieOne	606	881	792	558	810
Total number of sites treated	36384	48099	49,850	7,210	7,812
CHEMICAL CONTROL OPERATIONS:					
Pyrethroid (lb)	199	0	0	68.95	0
Pyrethroid (lb) (substance only)	2,179	1,011	618	425	482
Quaternary (gallons)	6,942	0	0	0	0
BIORATIONAL LARVICIDES:					
Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis (B.t.i.)					
FourStar 0N (gallons)	0	0	0	0	17
FourStar 100 (gallons)	0	0	0	0	6.4
FourStar 100 (lb) (gallons)	0	0	0	1.4	0.4
VectorStar 100 (gallons)	180	202	263	161	211
VectorStar 100 (lb) (gallons)	483	7	0	0	0
VectorStar 100 (lb) (gallons)	8,322	2,948	5,093	6,687	5,983
Bacillus sphaericus (B.s.)					
VectorStar 100 (gallons)	1,160	2,702	888	2,041	202
VectorStar 100 (lb) (gallons)	34	114	0	0	0
VectorStar 100 (lb) (gallons)	140	5	1	0	30
Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis and Bacillus sphaericus					
FourStar 100 (lb) (gallons)	5	39	0	1.4	0
VectorStar 100 (gallons)	2	5	2	0	4.4
VectorStar 100 (lb) (gallons)	4,927	1,917	2,896	1,000	2,082
Spinosad					
Natural VRT (gallons)	1,277	1,088	819	1,195	996
Natural VRT (gallons)	1	66	9	26	18,225
Natural VRT (lb) (gallons)	0	0	0	0	2.2
Other (not registered herbicides)					
Altocon 1 (gallons) (include 20% (insecticide))	626	1,059	1,112	787	1,311
Altocon 1 (lb) (gallons)	8,912	1,078	1,064	1,020	1,131
Altocon 100 (gallons)	2,810	2,793	3,816	2,025	3,376
Altocon 100 (lb) (gallons)	2,289	2,814	3,706	1,851	12,168
Altocon 100 (lb) (gallons)	0	5	2	0	0

Data from ACMAD 2018-2019 biennial report

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Types of materials (label is the law)

- Larval control products
 - Surface Agents
 - BVA2 larvicidal oil
 - Or-
 - Biorational larvicides
 - Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis* (B.t.i.)
 - Bacillus sphaericus* (B.s)
 - Saccharopolyspora spinosa* (Spinosaad)
 - Insect Growth Regulators (IGRs)
- Adult control products
 - Pyrethroids
 - Pyrethrene 25-5

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Surface Agents

BVA 2 MOSQUITO LARVICIDE OIL

ACTIVE INGREDIENT: Mineral Oil 97%
Other Ingredients: 3%
*Contains petro

Mode of Action:
When applied correctly, BVA 2 produces a film of oil on top of the water surface that inhibits the mosquito larvae from obtaining oxygen (breathing) resulting in their rapid suffocation.

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B.t.i. & B.s. mode of action & common uses

- Feeding stages (1st through early 4th instars)

B.t.i. discovered in the Negev Desert, Israel

B.s. derived from fermented cowpeas

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Biorational larvicides: B.t.i. & B.s.


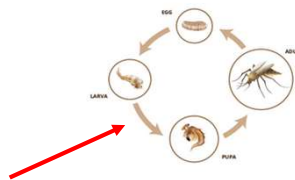
- Vectobac 12AS: liquid
- Vectobac G & GS: coarse and fine granular
- Vectolex FG, WSP WDG
- Duplex: mixture of both (Vectomax)





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Spinosad mode of action & common uses

- 1st through 4th instars
- Eaten and penetrates cuticle

Spinosad discovered in the soil of an abandoned sugar cane mill



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Spinosad


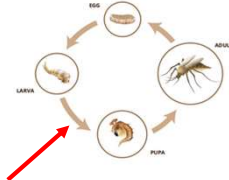

- Natular XRT, G30, WSP




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IGR mode of action & common uses

- Later instars
- Penetrates cuticle

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IGR (Methoprene & Sumilarv)

- Altosid Liquid
- Altosid briquet (& XR)
- Altosid pellets
- Altosid WSP
- Sumilarv 0.5G




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For more information

Visit our website: [Labels and SDS - Alameda County Mosquito Abatement District \(mosquitoes.org\)](http://Labels and SDS - Alameda County Mosquito Abatement District (mosquitoes.org))

Thank you-

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Alameda County Mosquito Abatement Dist.
Check Register
For the Period From Jun 1, 2021 to Jun 15, 2021

Filter Criteria includes: Report order is by Date.

Check #	Date	Payee	Amount
2700	6/10/21	Airgas	745.02
2701	6/10/21	Argo Adventure	430.85
2702	6/10/21	AT&T	73.92
2703	6/10/21	Bay Central Printing	192.06
2704	6/10/21	Cintas	495.63
2705	6/10/21	Coverall North America, Inc.	300.00
2706	6/10/21	Delta Dental	4,938.10
2707	6/10/21	Environmental Science Associates	20,605.00
2708	6/10/21	Grainger	142.01
2709	6/10/21	Hentschke, Eric Armin	100.00
2710	6/10/21	Industrial Park Landscape Maintenance	226.00
2711	6/10/21	PFM Asset Management	1,918.45
2712	6/10/21	PG&E	147.26
2713	6/10/21	Singh, Ranjit K.	54.88
2714	6/10/21	Testa, Julie	100.00
2715	6/10/21	U.S Bank Corporate Payment System	18,298.46
2716	6/10/21	Voya Institutional Trust Company	178.51
2717	6/10/21	Waste Management of Alameda County	288.82
2718	6/10/21	Young, George	100.00
ACH	6/10/21	Alameda County Mosquito Abatement Dist (Payroll)	77,851.89
ACH	6/10/21	Aguilar, Victor	100.00
ACH	6/10/21	Beatty, Robert .P	100.00
ACH	6/10/21	Bhat, Subrahmanya Y	100.00
ACH	6/10/21	CalPERS Retirement	14,405.92
ACH	6/10/21	CalPERS 457	3,134.20
ACH	6/10/21	Cooley, Elizabeth	100.00
ACH	6/10/21	Cox, Steven	100.00
ACH	6/10/21	Kumagai, Shawn	100.00
ACH	6/10/21	Marquez, Elisa	100.00
ACH	6/10/21	Mingst, Andrew	100.00
ACH	6/10/21	Poulson, Wendi Lynn	100.00
ACH	6/10/21	Roache, Cathy J Pinkerton.	100.00
ACH	6/10/21	Washburn, Jan	100.00
Total Expenditures - June 15, 2021.			145,826.98

Alameda County Mosquito Abatement Dist.
Check Register
 For the Period From Jun 16, 2021 to Jun 30, 2021

Filter Criteria includes: Report order is by Date.

Check #	Date	Payee	Amount
2719	6/29/21	Airgas	1,106.13
2720	6/29/21	Alco Sheet Metal and Heating, Inc.	630.00
2721	6/29/21	Argo Adventure	312.76
2722	6/29/21	BARTKIEWICZ, KRONICK & SHANAHAN	560.00
2723	6/29/21	Bay Alarm	534.73
2724	6/29/21	Beck's Shoes	380.00
2725	6/29/21	CarQuest	80.13
2726	6/29/21	Cintas	330.42
2727	6/29/21	CCCMA Occupational Clinic	95.00
2728	6/29/21	Grainger	87.10
2729	6/29/21	Guaranteed Auto Service	840.17
2730	6/29/21	Innovative Treecare LLC	2,300.00
2731	6/29/21	Mar-Len Supply, Inc.	647.69
2732	6/29/21	National CineMedia, LLC	7,975.00
2733	6/29/21	PG&E	24.64
2734	6/29/21	Pitney Bowes	94.82
2735	6/29/21	VCJPA	245.16
2736	6/29/21	Verizon	567.45
2737	6/29/21	Voya Institutional Trust Company	178.51
2738	6/29/21	VSP	710.23
2739	6/29/21	WEX Bank	4,653.10
ACH	6/29/21	Alameda County Mosquito Abatement Dist (Payroll)	78,657.70
ACH	6/29/21	CalPERS Health	38,520.27
ACH	6/29/21	CalPERS Retirement	14,092.18
ACH1	6/29/21	CalPERS 457	3,038.19
Total Expenditures - June 30, 2021.			156,661.38

Alameda County Mosquito Abatement District
Income Statement
June 30, 2021. (12 of 12 mth, 100%)

REVENUES	Actual 2018/19	Actual 2019/20 ¹	Current Month	Year to Date 2020/21	Budget 2020/21	Actual vs Budget
Total Revenue	\$ 4,922,549.00	\$ 4,986,220.87	\$ 3,792.90	\$ 5,317,784.82	\$ 4,346,513.00	122%

EXPENDITURES	Actual 2018/19	Actual 2019/20 ¹	Current Month ²	Year to Date 2020/21	Budget 2020/21	Actual vs Budget
Salaries	\$ 1,894,209.00	\$ 1,980,518.00	\$ 171,890.42	\$ 2,029,103.97	\$2,116,177	96%
CalPERS Retirement	\$ 310,838.00	\$ 378,833.00	\$ 16,894.61	\$ 423,110.21	\$423,350	100%
Medicare	\$ 25,149.00	\$ 29,651.00	\$ 2,752.07	\$ 27,866.82	\$31,278	89%
Fringe Benefits	\$ 452,960.00	\$ 465,466.00	\$ 44,168.60	\$ 502,898.39	\$527,031	95%
Total Salaries, Retirement, & Benefits	\$ 2,683,156.00	\$ 2,854,468.00	\$235,706	\$2,982,979	\$3,097,836	96%
Clothing and personal supplies (purchased)	\$ 8,899.00	\$ 6,214.00	\$ 783.36	\$ 4,163.28	\$10,000	42%
Laundry service and supplies (rented)	\$ 12,603.00	\$ 10,648.00	\$ 880.93	\$ 8,852.89	\$15,000	59%
Utilities	\$ 30,161.00	\$ 25,962.00	\$ 460.72	\$ 15,421.56	\$12,000	129%
Communications-IT	\$ 108,868.00	\$ 83,135.00	\$ 2,977.05	\$ 64,267.91	\$111,400	58%
Maintenance: structures & improvements	\$ 13,673.00	\$ 16,679.00	\$ 3,599.44	\$ 20,035.51	\$25,000	80%
Maintenance of equipment	\$ 43,629.00	\$ 20,600.00	\$ 3,191.87	\$ 21,801.80	\$35,000	62%
Transportation, travel, training, & board	\$ 98,433.00	\$ 95,814.00	\$ 7,462.13	\$ 72,808.36	\$122,400	59%
Professional services	\$ 115,324.00	\$ 112,887.00	\$ 14,936.45	\$ 95,731.49	\$176,200	54%
Memberships, dues, & subscriptions	\$ 20,774.00	\$ 26,317.00	\$ 2,362.50	\$ 22,776.45	\$23,337	98%
Insurance - (VCJPA, UAS)	\$ 124,688.00	\$ 134,834.00	\$ 245.16	\$ 141,650.37	\$137,524	103%
Community education	\$ 34,861.00	\$ 22,734.00	\$ 3,541.73	\$ 26,001.35	\$38,575	67%
Operations	\$ 206,731.00	\$ 179,659.00	\$ 2,045.72	\$ 165,769.64	\$241,000	69%
Household expenses	\$ 18,655.00	\$ 14,817.00	\$ 834.73	\$ 14,942.93	\$16,750	89%
Office expenses	\$ 11,796.00	\$ 13,761.00	\$ 1,473.76	\$ 7,497.43	\$12,000	62%
Laboratory supplies	\$ 95,640.00	\$ 100,878.00	\$ 8,267.03	\$ 58,599.79	\$139,000	42%
Small tools and instruments	\$ 2,211.00	\$ 2,056.00	\$ -	\$ 2,531.18	\$3,000	84%
Total Staff Budget	\$ 946,946.00	\$ 866,995.00	\$ 53,062.58	\$ 742,851.94	\$1,118,186	66%
Total Operating Expenditures	\$ 3,630,102.00	\$ 3,721,463.00	\$ 288,768.28	\$ 3,725,831.33	\$4,216,022	88%

Total Expenditures

1 - As of June 30, 2020.

2 - Total Operating Expenditures in current month may not match the check register due to accounts receivables and petty cash transactions.

**Alameda County Mosquito Abatement District
Investment, Reserves, and Cash Balance Report
June 30, 2021. (12 of 12 mth, 100%)**

Account #	Investment Accounts	Beginning Balance	Deposits	Withdrawals	Interest Activity	Ending Balance
1004	LAIF ¹	\$ 2,419,033.93	\$ 1,865,000.00	\$ (156,000.00)	\$ -	\$ 4,128,033.93
1005	OPEB Fund	\$ 5,223,798.17	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 71,229.26	\$ 5,295,027.43
1006	VCJPA Member Contingency	\$ 371,828.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 371,828.00
1008	CAMP: Repair and Replace	\$ 1,040,942.22	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 42.98	\$ 1,040,985.20
1009	CAMP: Public Health Emergency	\$ 526,198.97	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 21.73	\$ 526,220.70
1010	CAMP: Operating Reserve	\$ 1,944,249.96	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 80.28	\$ 1,944,330.24
1011	CAMP: Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 19,991.70	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.83	\$ 19,992.53
1012	PARS: Pension Stabilization ²	\$ 1,822,406.87	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,614.88	\$ 1,833,021.75
Total		\$ 13,368,449.82	\$ 1,865,000.00	\$ (156,000.00)	\$ 81,989.96	\$ 15,159,439.78

Account #	Cash Accounts	Beginning Balance	Withdrawals	Activity	Ending Balance
1001	Bank of America (Payroll Account) *	\$ 109,792.82	-	-	\$ 25,107.03
1002	Bank of The West (Transfer Account) * ¹	\$ 2,258,990.85	-	-	\$ 386,992.25
1003	County Account	\$ 356,406.23	\$ -	\$ 3,280.81	\$ 359,687.04
1013	Petty Cash	\$ 405.78	\$ -	\$ (17.60)	\$ 388.18
Total		\$ 2,725,595.68	\$ -	\$ 3,263.21	\$ 772,174.50

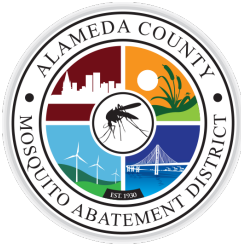
1 - \$1,865,000.00 transferred to LAIF from Bank of the West.

2- PARS - Pension Stabilization balance is as of May 31, 2021.

* - Ending balance differs from beginning balance due to checks clearing the account.

Alameda County Mosquito Abatement
Balance Sheet Comparison
June

ASSETS	6/30/2021	6/30/2020	6/30/2019	Explanation
Current Assets				
Cash	\$ -	-	-	
Bank of America payroll	103,223.95	106,914.43	115,442.00	Current book balance, different from the ending balance shown on bank statement, due to outstanding deposits (will not match IRC page).
Bank of the West	330,376.27	301,318.89	350,897.46	" "
County	359,687.04	349,672.59	219,599.98	Current balance in County account.
Cash with LAIF	4,128,033.93	2,765,188.85	3,005,839.55	Current balance in LAIF (working capital) account.
VCJPA - Property Contingency	-	-	52,796.00	
VCJPA - Member Contingency	371,828.00	374,772.00	353,497.00	Reserve amount with VCJPA (updated quarterly)
CAMP - Repair and Replace	1,040,985.20	976,511.62	336,821.04	Reserve committed to repair or replace capital assets.
CAMP - Public Health Emergency	526,220.70	525,408.23	516,770.55	Reserve committed for public health emergencies.
CAMP - Operating Reserve	1,944,330.24	1,941,328.27	1,909,412.95	Reserve committed as an emergency rainy-day fund (= to 60% of current year expenses)
CAMP - Capital Reserve Fund	19,992.53	128,402.05	231,328.60	Reserve for current year capital assets or non-capital facility maintenance
PARS	1,833,021.75	1,631,978.20	1,064,535.70	PARS is no longer being reported stand-alone on the balance sheet, would only be reported on the balance sheet if it was a liability to the district.
Accounts Receivable	8,546.00	-	-	Outstanding invoices - waiting for payment to be received.
Petty cash	388.18	499.69	274.49	To reimburse employees - under \$50
Total Current Assets	10,666,633.79	9,101,994.82	8,157,215.32	
Property and Equipment				
Acc Dep - equipment	(1,479,068.00)	(1,479,068.00)	(1,318,915.70)	Accumulated depreciation expense from date of purchase through current useful life, which reduces assets book values
Acc Dep - stru & improv	(2,484,430.30)	(2,485,267.00)	(2,349,631.01)	" "
Acc Dep - conts in progress	-	-	-	" "
Construction in progress	-	-	351,219.40	Accumulated cost of a project yet to be completed.
Equipment	1,751,859.00	1,751,859.00	1,619,670.10	Original cost of depreciable equipment item.
Structure/improvement	4,798,893.00	4,760,618.00	4,529,022.67	Original cost of depreciable structure/ improvement item.
Land	61,406.00	61,406.00	61,406.00	Original purchase price of owned land; will not change.
Total Property and Equipment	2,648,659.70	2,609,548.00	2,892,771.46	
Other Assets				
Net OPEB Asset	1,823,556.00	1,823,556.00	716,666.00	Amount reported on actuary report. Pre-paid amount (overfunded), still considered an asset to the district. The amount has not changed because we have not withdrawn or added to account in the current year.
Total Other Assets	1,823,556.00	1,823,556.00	716,666.00	
Total Assets	\$ 15,138,849.49	\$ 13,535,098.82	\$ 11,766,652.78	
LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$ 104,526.08	\$ 155,576.76	\$ 127,965.63	Invoices due but yet to be paid.
AP Credit Card	-	-	37,454.42	Current credit card purchases, no longer shows up on balance sheet due to credit card clearing out when credit card statement is paid.
Acc payroll/vacation	200,290.26	200,290.26	187,668.43	District's debt from employees' unused vacation time.
Def inflow - 75	931,786.00	931,786.00	41,760.00	Other post employment benefit cost. Projected but yet to be incurred. Actuary is suggesting what is going to happen but hasn't happened yet.
Def inflow pen defer GASB 68	289,664.00	289,664.00	809,861.00	Pension benefit cost projected but yet to be incurred. Actuary is suggesting what is going to happen but hasn't happened yet.
Defer outflow pen cont GASB 68	(1,056,534.00)	(1,056,534.00)	(818,392.00)	Payments into pension incurred but yet to be posted against the outstanding liability at a given point of time.
Net pension liability GASB 68	3,277,554.00	3,277,554.00	2,642,666.00	Unfunded pension accrued liability as estimated by an actuary as of a given point of time.
Total Current Liabilities	3,747,286.34	\$ 3,798,337.02	\$ 3,028,983.48	
Long-Term Liabilities				
Total Long-Term Liabilities				
Total Liabilities	3,747,286.34	3,798,337.02	3,028,983.48	
Capital				
Designated fund balances	4,440,057.25	4,440,610.19	4,100,295.19	Board approved reserves for designated purposes.
Investment in general fixed as	5,296,151.61	4,637,374.11	3,641,667.79	Value of fixed assets less any accumulated depreciation and or debt.
Net Income	1,655,354.29	658,777.50	995,706.22	Net Income = Gross Income - Expenses
Total Capital	11,391,563.15	9,736,761.80	8,737,669.30	Sum of designated fund balances, investment in general fixed assets and net income.
Total Liabilities & Capital	\$ 15,138,849.49	\$ 13,535,098.82	\$ 11,766,652.78	



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1. OPERATIONS REPORT

In June, 105 unmaintained swimming pools were activated for inspection by operations staff after the owners of these properties with unmaintained pools failed to respond to the first, second, and final notices sent to their listed mailing addresses. The goal is to have all remaining unmaintained swimming pools inspected by the end of July. Unmaintained swimming pools are a significant source for mosquito breeding and often are sources for several mosquito species that are competent vectors of West Nile virus (WNV). Many of the pools visited to date this year were found to have larval mosquitoes present and required treatment and/or the planting of mosquito fish to provide long-term control. This is the last stage of ACMAD's annual aerial pool survey project. Unmaintained pools throughout the county act as significant reservoirs for mosquito breeding and can lead to thousands of adult mosquitoes disseminating for a three-plus mile radius around any given breeding pool. This program has proven to be invaluable in the efficient control of these mosquito breeding sources.

June also saw one of the highest tide events of 2021. Again, operations staff teamed up lab staff to conduct both hand and A-1 Super Duty mist blower treatments for *Aedes dorsalis* larvae in numerous tidal sources. This year's efforts towards this species have continued to be very effective. There have been no service requests attributable to *Ae. dorsalis* to date and lab adult trap numbers for this species have been quite low. These coordinated efforts will continue throughout the rest of the season. Intensive planning and efforts in the field are yielding great results and the goal is to keep the success of this program moving forward.

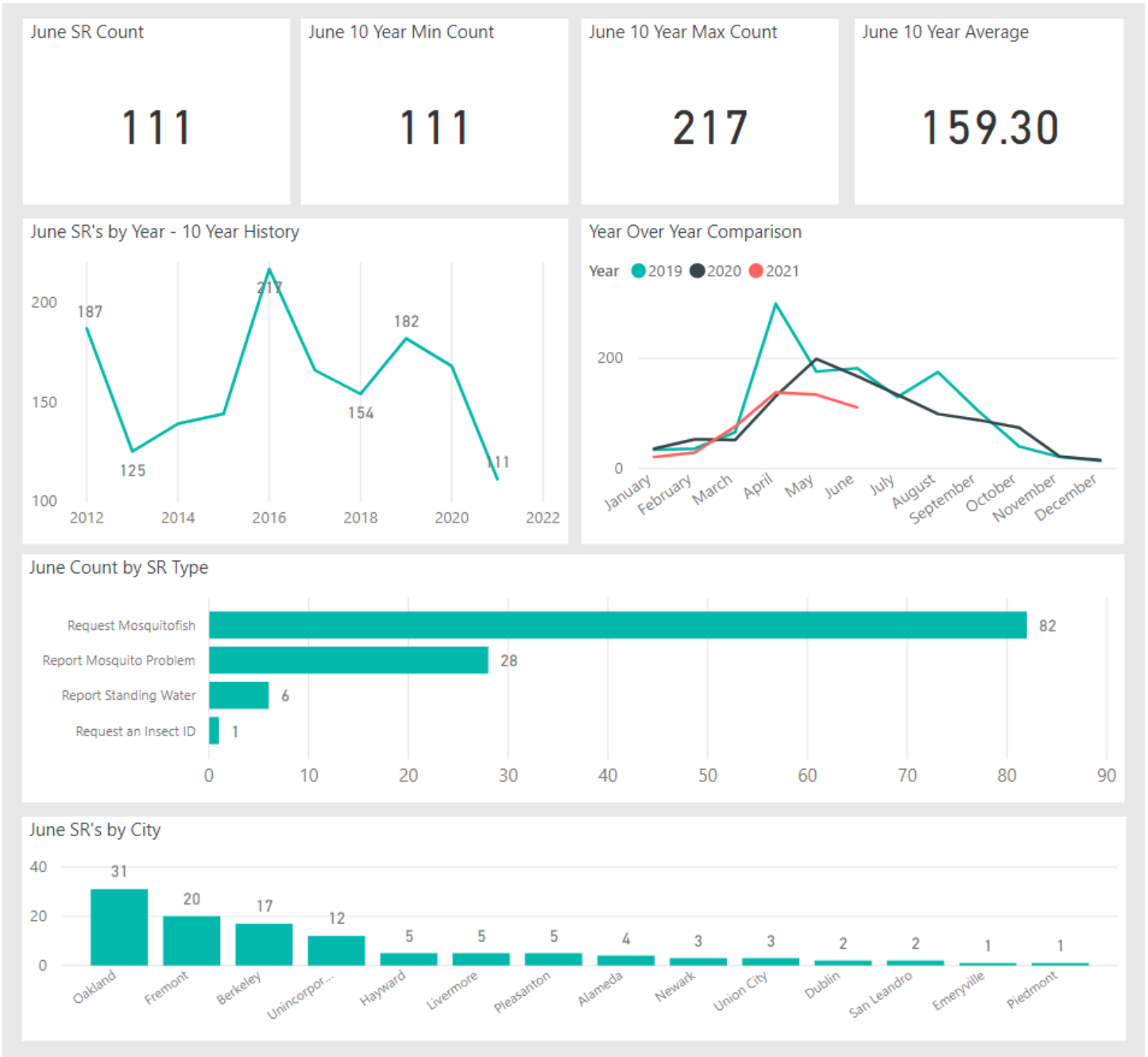
Along with efforts towards unmaintained swimming pools and tidal marsh sources, operations staff continued work on spring/summer mosquito sources. The main species of concern for our WNV program: *Culex tarsalis*, *Culex pipiens* and *Culex erythrothorax*, continue to be targeted in canals, creeks, freshwater marshes, storm drains, catch basins, sewer treatment facilities, and cemeteries. As for the latter, operations staff have begun an outreach program with every cemetery in the county to eliminate standing water in flower vases which are very time-consuming mosquito breeding sources to control. Cemetery flower vases also create significant issues for invasive *Aedes* mosquitoes worldwide. A more thorough report on this project will be forthcoming later in the year.

Data from service requests received by the district and from adult trapping by the ACMAD lab indicate good control success on efforts on the aforementioned sources. During June, the district received 111 requests for service. This is the lowest number recorded for June in a decade. Of those requests, nearly 74% were requests for mosquito fish for back yard ponds, unmaintained pools, and for livestock watering troughs. Two new operations seasonal employees were hired, and both will be conducting catch basin treatments throughout July and August, primarily with our newest mosquito control product, Sumilarv 0.5G. Continuing and concerted efforts on larval control county-wide has shown to be very effective to date this year. Operations will continue these efforts through summer and into fall/winter until the first rainfall and the subsequent transition to our winter mosquito species.

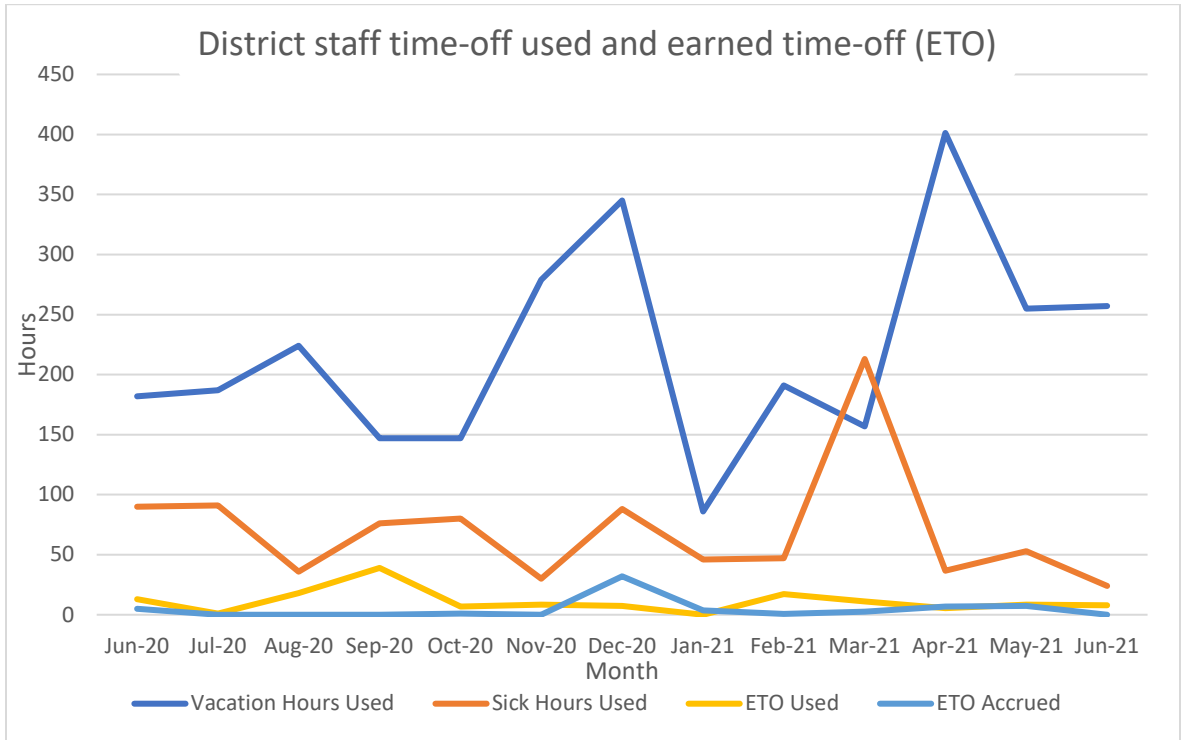
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A. District Data

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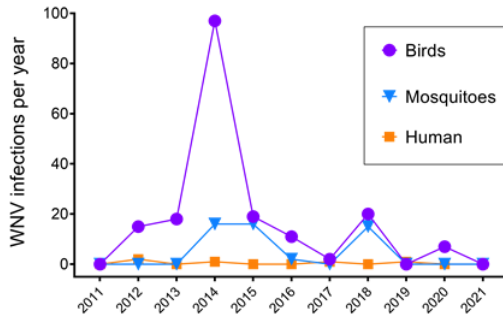


2. Activity Report

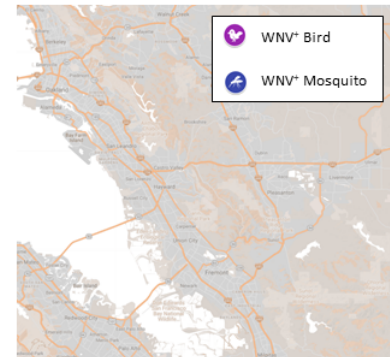


3. WNV Activity

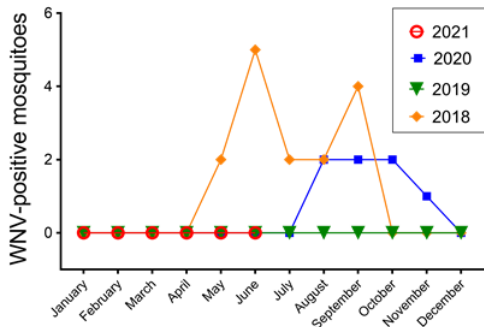
WNV infections detected in Alameda County
2011 – 2021



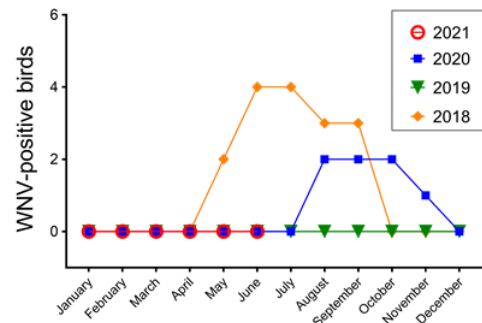
Locations of WNV-infected mosquitoes and birds
collected in Alameda County during 2021



WNV-infected birds collected in
Alameda County



WNV-infected mosquitoes collected in
Alameda County



2. LAB

Summary

- *Arboviruses*. West Nile virus (WNV) was not detected in birds or mosquitoes during June 2021. Saint Louis encephalitis virus (SLEV) and Western equine encephalitis virus (WEEV) was not detected in Alameda County during the prior 5 years.
- *Native mosquitoes*. CO₂-baited encephalitis virus survey (EVS) traps collected 5.2-fold more mosquitoes during June 2021 relative to the prior month (576 nights with mosquitoes collected in a trap). Over 80% of the mosquitoes were *Aedes vexans* collected from a single site in the eastern region of the county. New Jersey Light Traps (NJLT) captured a similar number of adult mosquitoes during June compared to the prior month (N = 142 mosquitoes).
- *Invasive mosquitoes*. Invasive *Aedes* mosquitoes were not detected in Alameda County during 2021.

Arbovirus Monitoring

- WNV was not detected in birds collected in Alameda County during June 2021. WNV was last detected in the county during November 2020 in an American crow.
- None of the mosquitoes that were collected during 2021 contained WNV, SLEV, or WEEV. WNV was last detected in mosquitoes during 2018. SLEV and WEEV have not been detected in the County for over a decade.

Native Mosquito Abundance

- Over the course of 576 trap nights, a total of 20,580 adult mosquitoes were captured in EVS traps during June 2021, a 5.2-fold increase relative to the prior month (Figure 1). Over 80% of the mosquitoes were *Aedes vexans* that were collected at Del Valle Regional Park after flooding which resulted from an unexpected and unreported increase of water levels at the lake (Figure 2 and 3A).
- High tides along the shore of San Francisco Bay prompted the application of mosquito larva control products in marsh habitats that support pickleweed (*Salicornia pacifica*) to limit the growth of *Aedes dorsalis*, an extremely aggressive biter of humans. The low number of adult *Ae. dorsalis* collected in EVS traps after the high tides demonstrates that the larvicide applications successfully controlled the mosquito larvae from developing to emerge as biting adults (Figure 2 and 3B). Mosquito abundance remains low in the eastern region of the county where WNV occurs more frequently relative to other regions of the county (Figure 3C). 98 EVS traps that were placed during June did not capture any mosquitoes (Figure 1A insert).
- Mosquito abundance for June, as measured using NJLT, was similar the prior month (142 mosquitoes captured during June). *Culiseta incidens*, which is not a WNV vector, was most abundant species collected in NJLT (Figure 4). The greatest number of mosquitoes were collected in the Berkeley NJLT (n = 26; Figure 5). Because the property that hosts the Berkeley NJLT is for sale, we removed the trap during the latter part of June.

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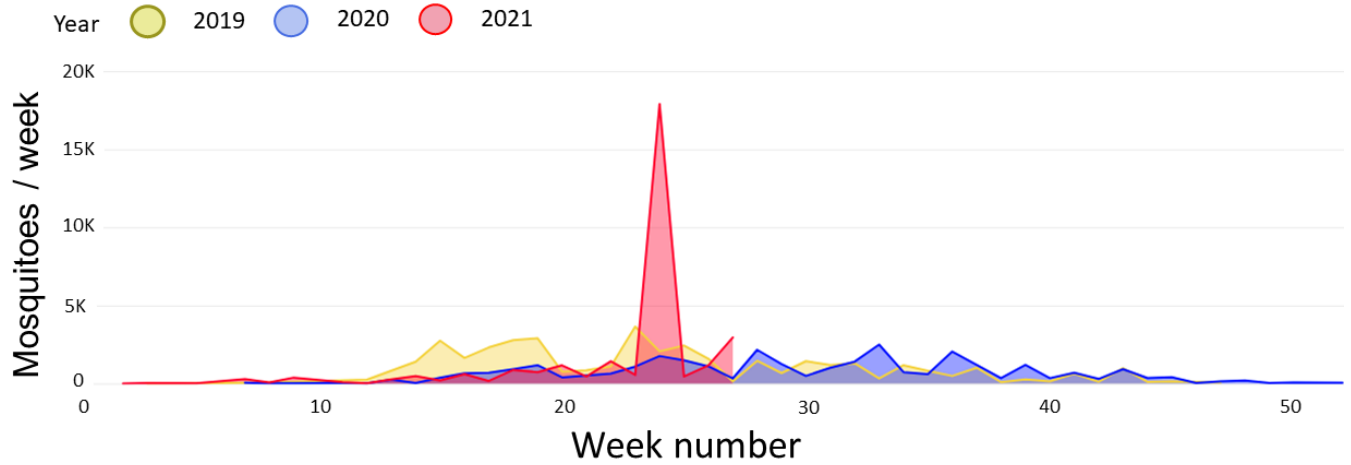


Figure 1. Mosquitoes captured in EVS CO₂ traps from 2019 – 2021. A total of 20,580 adult mosquitoes were captured in EVS CO₂ traps during June 2021 and identified to species.

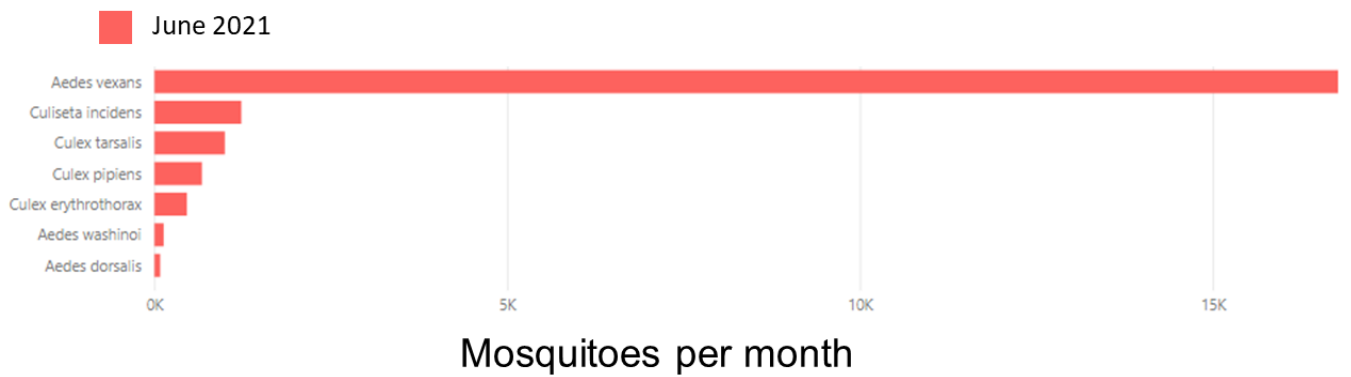
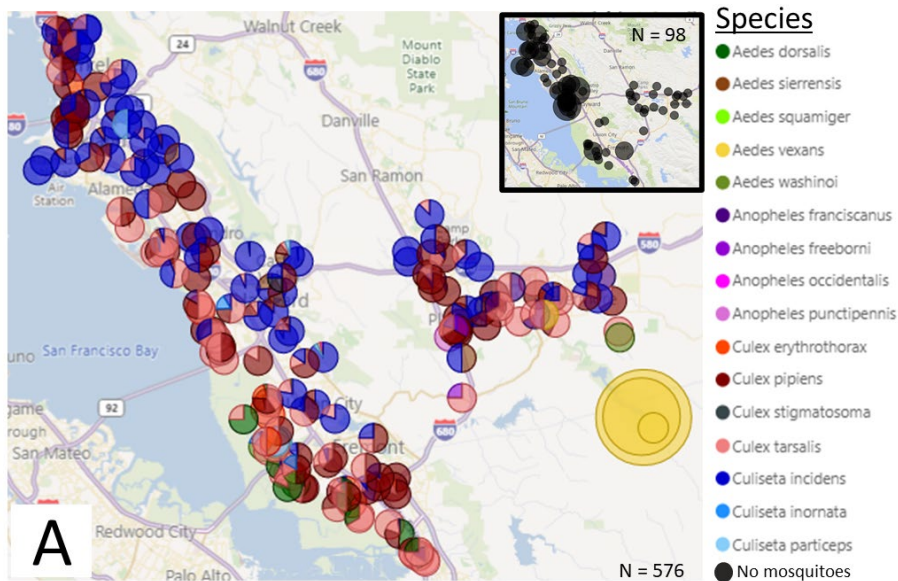


Figure 2. The most abundant species of mosquito captured using EVS CO₂ traps.



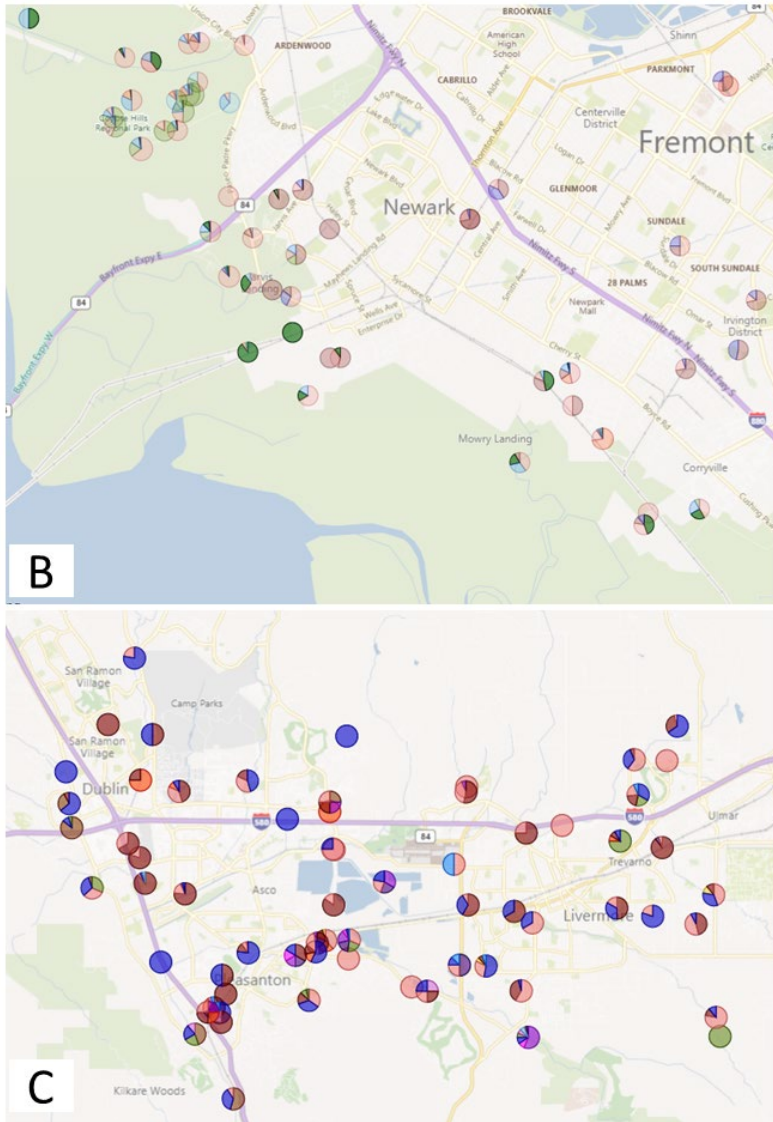


Figure 3. Mosquito abundance by trap site evaluated using EVS CO₂ traps. Pie charts over trap sites indicate the distribution of mosquito species collected at the trap site. The size of the pie charts indicates the relative number of mosquitoes at each site during June 2021. (A) Alameda County. The insert shows traps that were placed but did not collect mosquitoes. (B) Western Alameda County where larval mosquito products were applied to reduce the adult abundance of *Ae. dorsalis* (highlighted green pie charts). (C) East Alameda County where mosquito abundance was low.

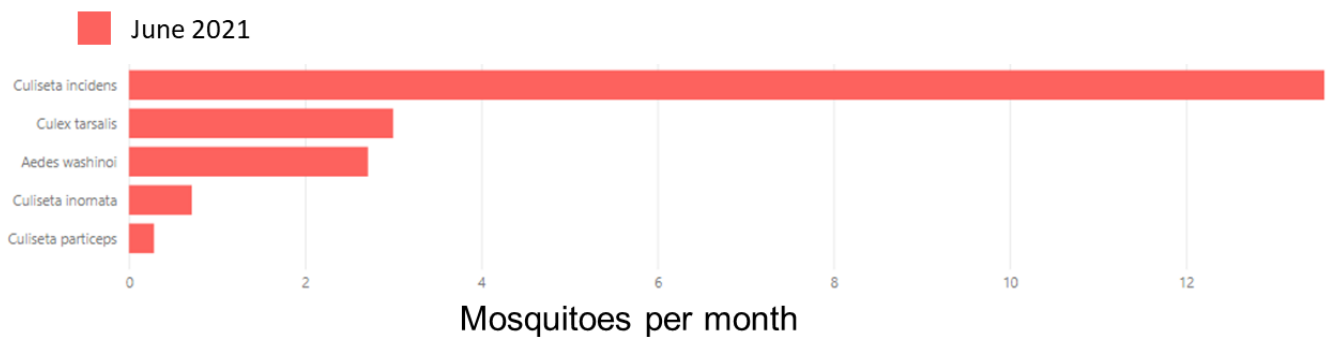


Figure 4. The most abundant species of mosquito captured in NJLT. A total of 142 mosquitoes were captured in NJLT.

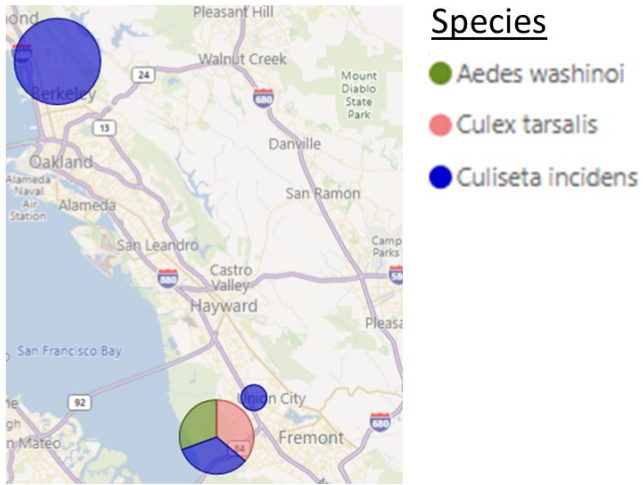


Figure 5. Geographic distribution of mosquito abundance in Alameda County evaluated using NJLT. Pie charts over trap sites indicate the distribution of mosquito species collected at the trap site. The largest pie chart in Berkeley represents 39 adult *Culiseta incidens* mosquitoes.

3. PUBLIC EDUCATION

A. Paid Advertisements

i. Shoreline Waterways Display Map Ads with Bay Area Mosquito Control Districts

As part of a Bay wide public outreach campaign maps throughout the Bay Area shoreline will be updated to contain mosquito prevention messaging. The updated maps will be displayed beginning this fall for 23 months in a minimum of 50 locations.



Figure 1. A) An example of the map displays at the shoreline. B) The logo for the Bay Area mosquito control districts. C) The listing information containing the web URLs for each district. D) The mosquito control message displayed on the map.

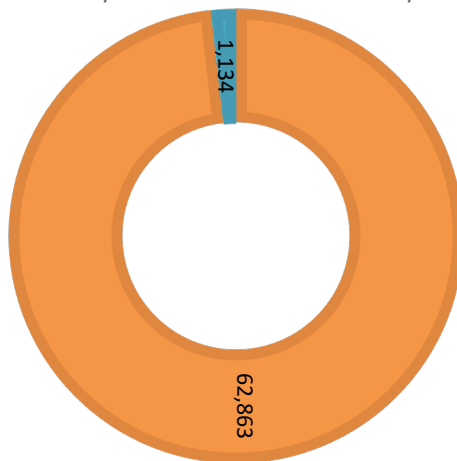
ii. Streaming TV

A 30 second English video ad is running in all Alameda County zip codes. The video may air in the following streaming TV programming.



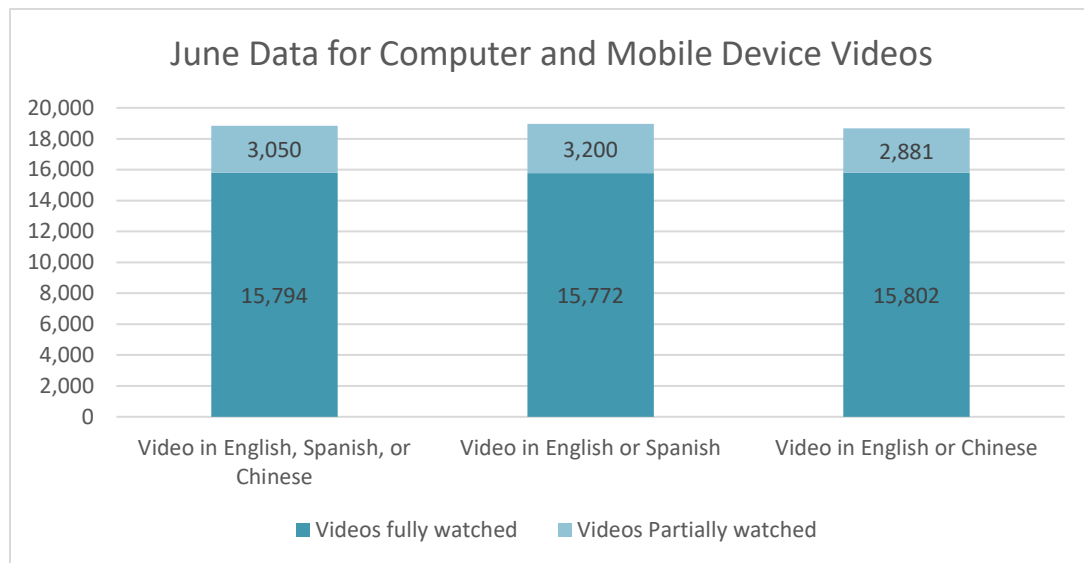
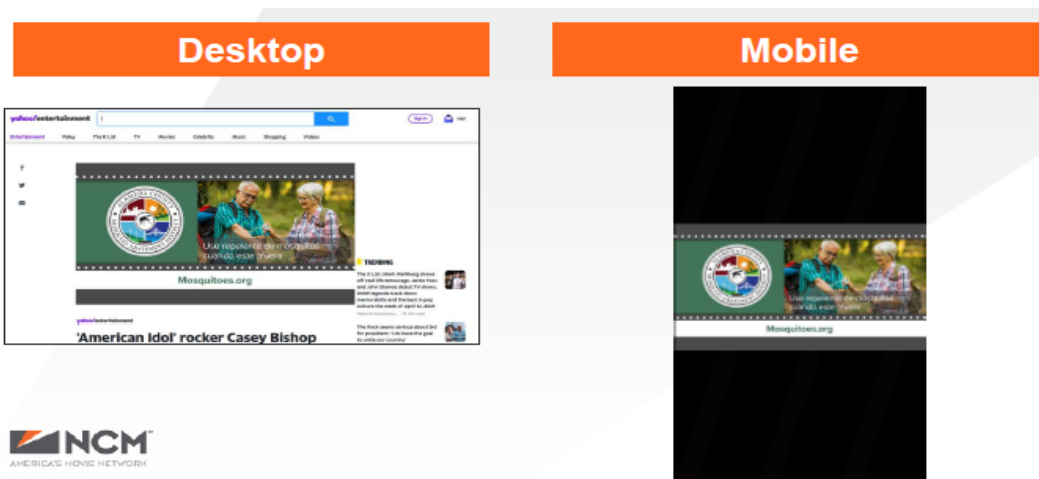
June Streaming TV Data

■ Videos Fully Watched
 ■ Videos Partially Watched



iii. Computer and Mobile Device Videos

Three 15 second videos are running in English (20 zip codes), Spanish (20 zip codes), and Mandarin/Simplified Chinese (6 zip codes) in select areas throughout Alameda County.



iv. **Coinstar Machines**

A 15 second silent video is running in 9 locations at grocery stores in Alameda County. Locations were chosen based on ethnic diversity of the surrounding community in the available locations.



Figure 2. Coinstar machine at Pak N Save on Floresta Blvd. in San Leandro.

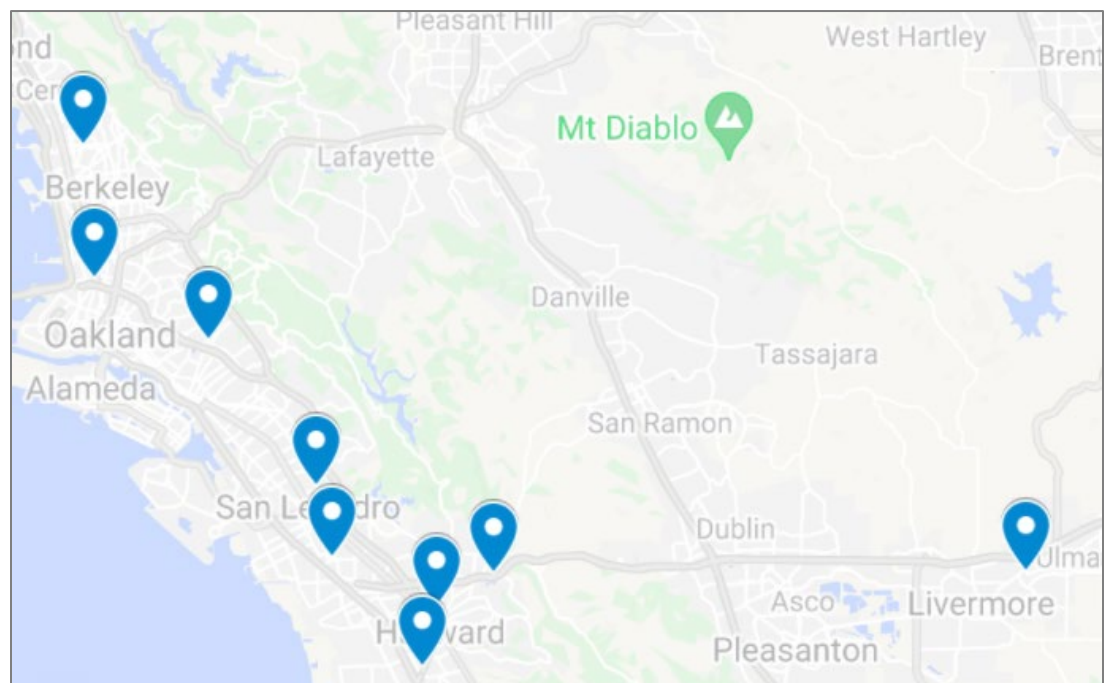


Figure 3. Map of Coinstar machines running ACMAD ads. The ads were shown a total of 96,376 times at the locations during the month of June.

B. Cemetery Outreach Signage



Figure 4. This sign was created by outreach staff and provided to cemeteries to post in public areas. (More information on this outreach campaign can be found in the Operations Report.)

C. Google Analytics

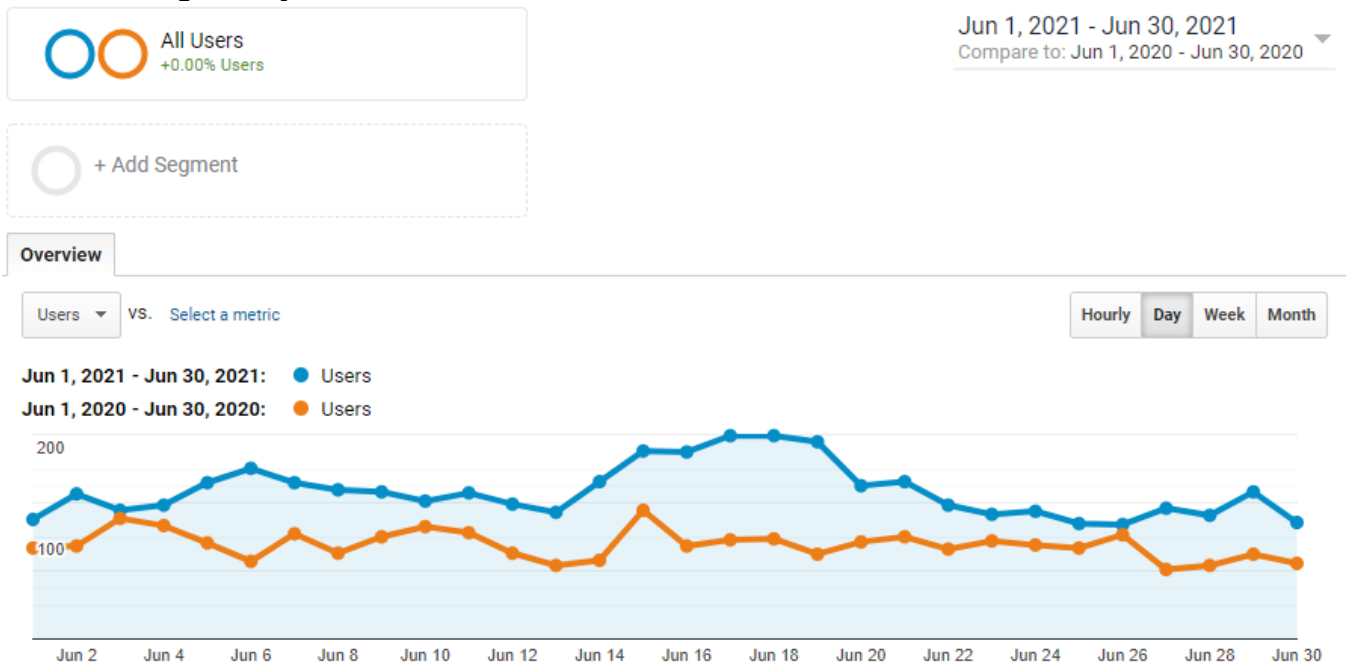


Figure 5. June website users for 2020 compared to 2021.

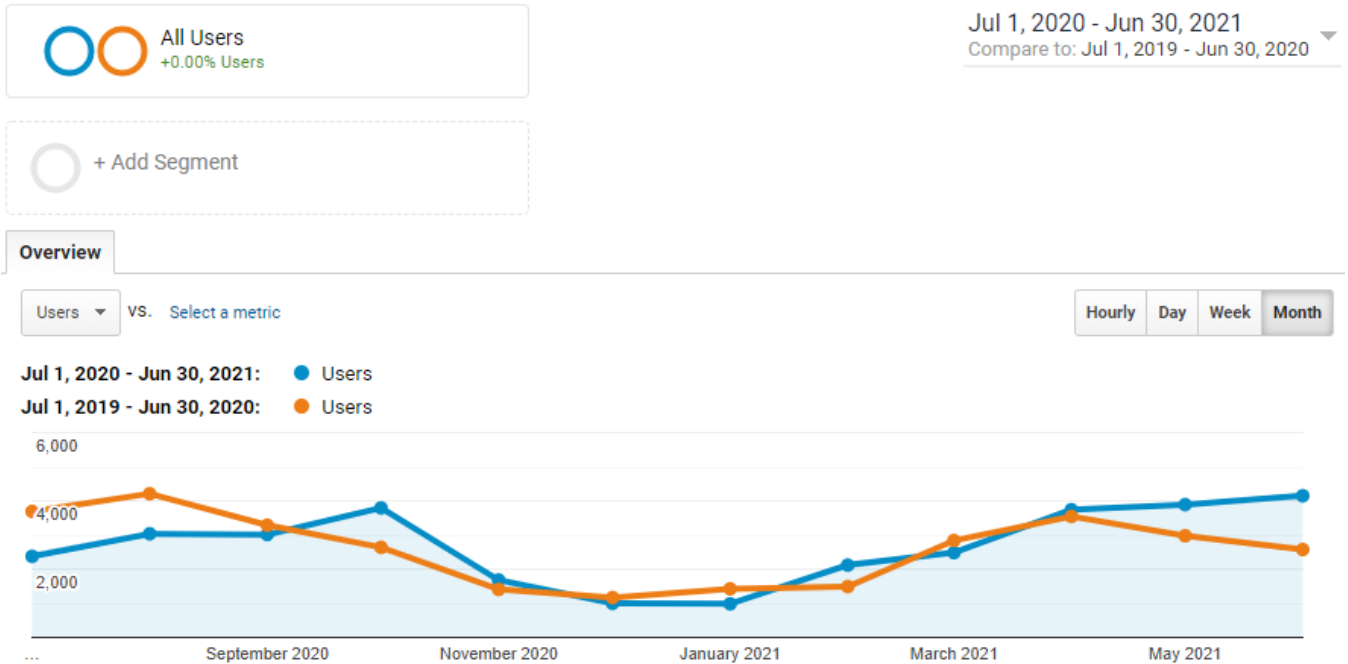
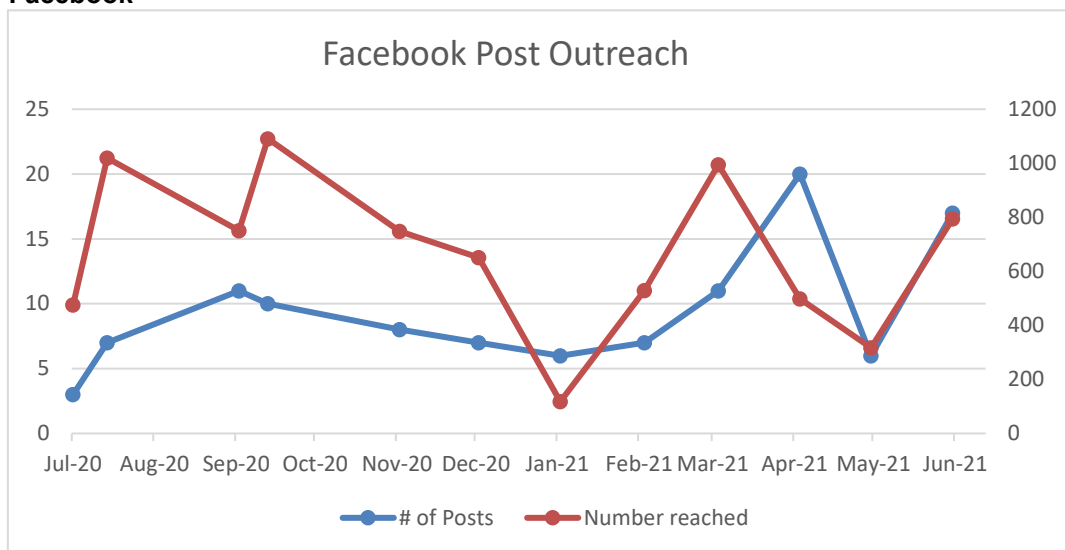


Figure 6. Comparison of website users over the past two years.

D. Facebook



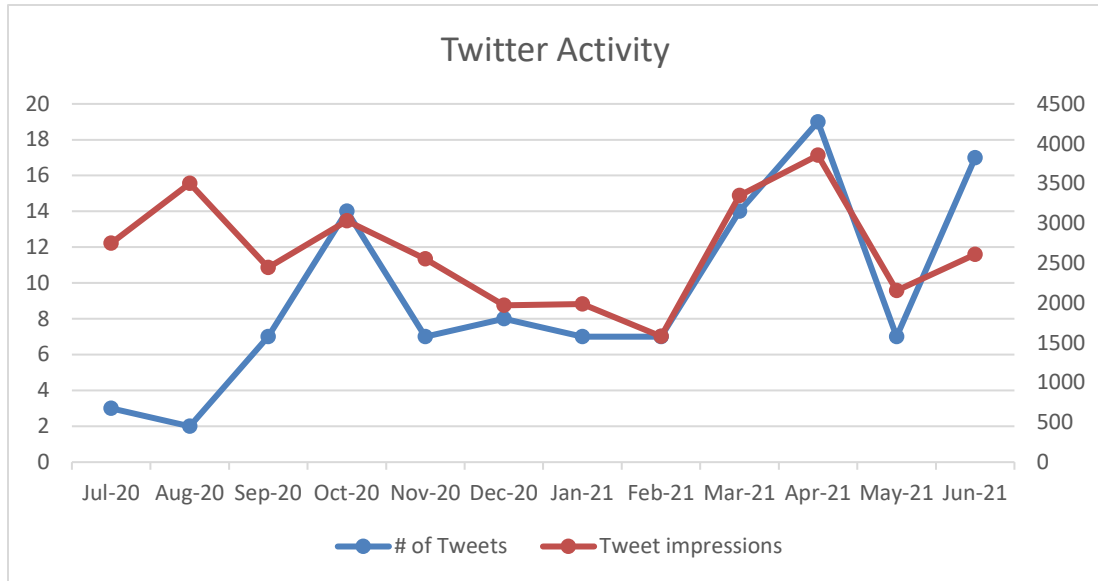
Facebook: 17 posts, 794 number reached Total Number of Followers: 315 (2 added in June)

The sky is clear- enjoy going outside!

After you have fun, remember to 'Tip and Toss' any stagnant water, to reduce mosquito breeding risk

June's Most Popular Post: Having fun shouldn't lead to mosquitoes! 🌻 🌻

E. Twitter



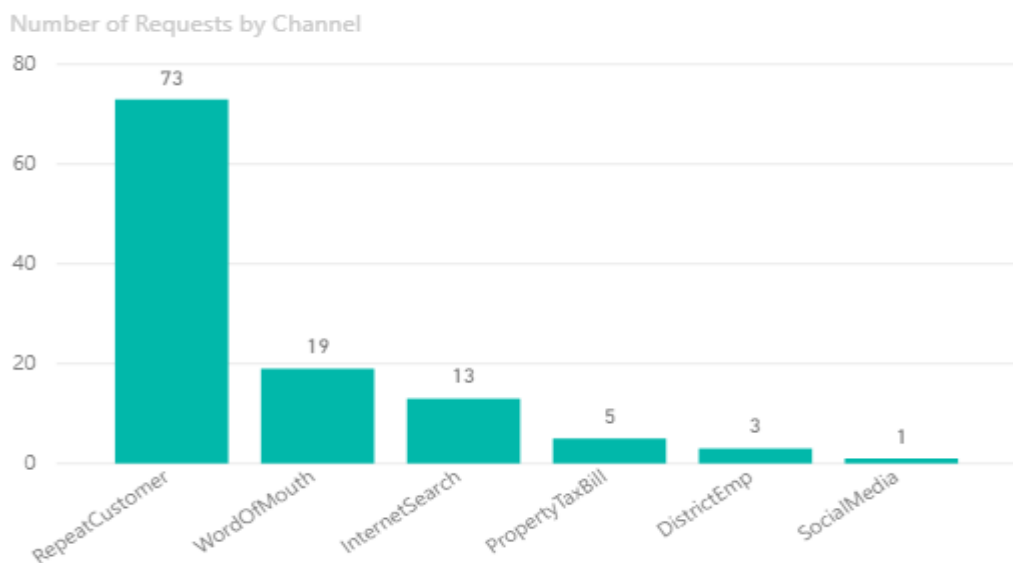
Number of Profile Visits in June: 43 Total Number of Followers: 748 (1 followed since May)

Out in the sun and around mosquitoes?

Remember: Sunscreen first, then repellent. You will need to reapply often, because repellent can make sunscreen less effective.

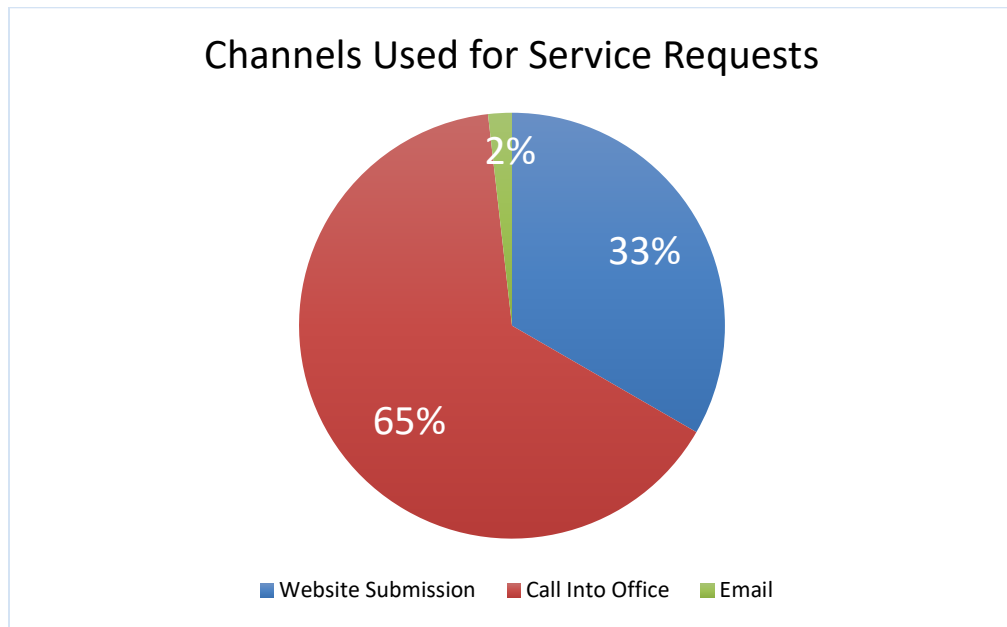
Top June Tweet: If you'll be outside this weekend enjoying the warm weather keep this tip in mind! ☀️

F. Service Request Referral Summary for June

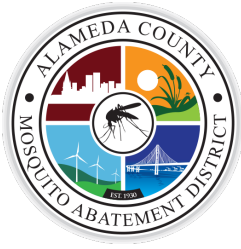


Note: Multiple residents listed two or more referrals

G. Channels Used by Residents to Request Service



111 requests in total, 37 web submissions, 72 calls and 2 emails



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Background:

ACMAD is pleased to recognize and thank the following employees on their anniversaries in July.

Employee	Job Title	Years of Service	Anniversary Date
Joseph Huston*	Field Operations Supervisor	30	July 1 st
Eric Haas-Stapleton	Lab Director	6	July 1 st
Ryan Clausnitzer	General Manager	6	July 2 nd
Robert Ferdan	IT Director	6	July 16 th
Judith Pierce	Public Outreach Coordinator	1	July 20 th

* Per District Policy §107.1, Staff and Trustees are awarded a gold pin engraved with the District logo for their 30-year anniversary.



TAKE ACTION BRIEF

July/August 2021

As the state opens back up, special districts continue grappling with the effects of the pandemic. Following more than a year of heavy advocacy, the State Legislature has included \$100 million in COVID-19 relief and billions of dollars in other key funding for special districts within [SB 129, the Budget Act of 2021](#). Ongoing budget-wrangling could still alter the details, but CSDA is actively communicating with the Department of Finance and stakeholders to facilitate the most equitable, accessible, and proportional appropriation of available funding.

Stay tuned to the eNews and Advocacy News blog for important updates on COVID-19 relief funding and other legislative developments as the State Legislature works toward its Summer Recess July 16 – August 15. The Legislative Session will then resume for a one-month sprint to September 10, when the Legislature will enter its Interim Study Recess until returning for year two of the biennial session.

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➤ COVID-19 RELIEF FUNDING

CSDA's advocacy action priority is to work with the Administration, various state agencies, and the federal government to ensure special districts receive equitable access to COVID-19 relief funding should it become available.

Budget Update: Special District Relief Funding

On June 14 the legislature sent [AB 128 \(Ting\), the Budget Bill in Chief](#), to the Governor in time to meet their constitutionally mandated deadline to pass a balanced budget by July 15. This version of the budget included a \$100 million fiscal relief proposal for COVID-19 impacted independent special districts, as well as other pots of funds certain special districts would be eligible to receive. However, as CSDA previously reported out, AB 128 reflected on the legislature's version of the budget and did not represent agreement with the Administration.

Two weeks later, on June 28, the Legislature passed [SB 129 \(Skinner\), the Budget Act of 2021 – "Budget Bill Junior"](#), sending the package to the Governor's desk for signature or veto in time for the start of the new fiscal year, July 1. The Governor has 12 days to sign or veto a bill, including the budget bill, and has the authority to blue pencil (eliminate) an appropriation within the budget, which can be overridden by a two-thirds vote in the Legislature. The budget is an urgency measure and goes into effect as soon as it is signed.

The Budget Bill Junior updates many provisions of the Budget Bill in Chief and is a reflection of general agreement with the Governor. However, while funding levels have been solidified, the details of many programmatic provisions remain yet to be determined. It is anticipated many budget trailer bills will follow over the coming weeks until the Legislature breaks for the summer recess July 16 and further budget action is almost guaranteed in the month that follows and into the fall.

While June 28th's budget vote represented more of a framework than final agreement in many areas, CSDA is pleased to report the package retained the \$100 million COVID-19 relief fund for independent special districts that can demonstrate fiscal impacts due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

- The language has been amended from that which was proposed in AB 128, the package first sent to the Governor, and now states: *"the amount appropriated in this item shall be available to provide fiscal relief to independent special districts that have encountered unanticipated costs or loss of revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency and that have not received other forms of fiscal relief from the state or federal government."*
- In the vein of further detail yet to be determined, the provisional language additionally specifies: *"The Department of Finance, in consultation with the California Special Districts Association, shall develop a plan to distribute the funding provided in this item by September 1, 2021, and shall notify the Joint Legislative Budget Committee of the plan."*
- Further, the language provides additional detail regarding the plan for distribution: *"The plan shall provide to each qualifying district that applies for relief a prorated share of the amount appropriated in this item, with each district's share based on its proportionate share of revenue losses reported by all qualifying districts from all fund sources between the 2018–19 and 2019–20 fiscal years, as reported by the district to the department. Applicant districts shall self-attest to the accuracy of all information reported to the department for purposes of this item. Upon completion of application reviews, the department shall order the Controller to remit funds to each county auditor-controller for all qualifying districts in each county. The county auditor-controller shall disburse these funds to each qualifying district within 30 days of receipt from the Controller."*



While CSDA has advocated heavily for access to fiscal relief for COVID-19 response impacted independent special districts, ultimately the proposal and provisional language has been determined in negotiations between the Assembly, Senate, and Administration. CSDA is pleased to be consulted in the final process and will continue to work with the Department of Finance (DOF) to seek clarification as to the intent of what constitutes “*other forms of fiscal relief from the state or federal government*” and hopes to be a strong partner to DOF as they work to develop a plan for distribution of funds

Additionally, the budget package retained the following provisions CSDA has advocated for in coordination with our local agency partners supporting the services and infrastructure of special districts, cities, counties, and other agencies:

- **\$1 billion in water utility household assistance and nearly \$1 billion in energy utility household assistance.** This funding is critical to stabilize public utility fiscal impacts – inclusive of special district utilities – and provide relief to the ratepayers least able to manage the fiscal burdens brought by the pandemic. *While the package indicates agreement for the level of funding, the details of eligibility and distribution are subject to agreement between the Senate, Assembly, and Governor and continue to be negotiated. CSDA is actively advocating for this funding to include eligibility for publicly owned water, wastewater, and energy utilities.*
- **\$250 million in economic assistance California’s public ports.** California’s special district ports and harbors were significantly impacted by COVID-19 response and, as drivers of local economies and contributors to the state’s economic health, we have continuously urged continued support for public port funding relief.
- **Significant investment in local priority transit projects.** Transit districts experienced substantial reductions in ridership and other fiscal impacts related to pandemic response. CSDA has supported these proposed investments for local agency projects.

Other funding of significant interest to districts that made it into the SB 129 agreement:

- **Over \$3 million in one-time General Fund dollars to support grants to local library jurisdictions** to acquire bookmobiles and vans, and provides an additional \$439 million on a one-time basis to support an equity-focused matching infrastructure grant program to support local library maintenance, capital projects, broadband and technology upgrades, and purchasing of devices.
- **\$1 million in ongoing funding for the California Vectorborne Disease Surveillance Gateway (CalSurv) pest abatement program.**
- **Package addressing environmental concerns, with program details yet to be determined. The spending levels are:**
 - Wildfire Prevention & Resilience: \$258 million General Fund, plus additional special funds in 2021-2022, plus \$500 million General Fund in 2022-2023.
 - Agriculture Budget Plan: \$200 million General Fund plus special funds
 - Circular Economy: \$65 million General Fund in 2021-2022
 - Water and Drought Resilience: \$730,700,000 General Fund in 2021-2022
 - Climate Resilience: \$3.7 billion over three years, \$440 million General Fund in 2021-2022
 - Cap-and-Trade Spending Plan: \$720 million

CSDA will provide updates as the process develops regarding these funds and how to apply to receive them, assuming they are retained when the Governor officially signs the final budg



➤ GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

CSDA's long range policy priority on governance and accountability is to enhance special districts' ability to govern as independent, local government bodies in an open and accessible manner. Encourage best practices that avoid burdensome, costly, redundant, or one-size-fits all approaches. Protect meaningful public participation in local agency formations, dissolutions, and reorganizations, and ensure local services meet the unique needs, priorities, and preference of each community

Brown Act and Water Shutoff Emergency Executive Orders Set to Expire September 30

Governor Gavin Newsom released his plan, Beyond the Blueprint, to fully reopen California on June 15, as well as Executive Order N-08-21, which establishes a timeline to lift the COVID-19 pandemic Executive Orders. Under Governor Newsom's plan his Executive Orders related to the Brown Act and the water shutoff moratorium will expire September 30, 2021.

Brown Act Executive Order Expiring September 30

Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20 temporarily amended the Brown Act to allow public agencies to hold remote meetings without in-person public participation since last March. Under the Governor's reopening plan, the Brown Act provisions within Executive Order N-29-20 will be lifted on September 30. Any local agency meetings taking place after that time must ensure physical public access to all meeting locations.

Lifting the Executive Order doesn't mean that public agencies will be precluded from allowing the public to participate in meetings by telephone or through online systems like Zoom. During the COVID-19 pandemic many public agencies have experienced both an increased comfort level with the virtual meeting systems as well as seen an increase in public participation in their meetings, many local agencies are likely to continue to offer some form of virtual attendance option in addition to the in-person option.

The Brown Act Executive Order provided valuable flexibility for special districts and other local agencies to continue conducting the public's business in the midst of an emergency. Lessons learned from this experience led CSDA to sponsor AB 361 (Robert Rivas), which will establish this important flexibility in statute in anticipation of future declared emergencies. AB 361 passed the State Assembly 62-4, with widespread bi-partisan support, and will next be heard in the State Senate Governance and Finance Committee. CSDA encourages special districts to submit a letter of support or complete our Automated Form Letter at csda.net/take-action/brown-act.

Water Shutoff Moratorium Executive Order Expiring September 30

Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-42-20, known as the water shutoff moratorium, prevented public agencies from discontinuing water service during the COVID-19 pandemic. Under the Governor's reopening plan, the shutoff moratorium provisions within Executive Order N-42-20 will also be lifted on September 30. Local agencies will still be required to adhere to all existing state laws and regulations related to utility shutoffs.

Until September 30, both the Brown Act Executive Order and water shutoff Executive Order will remain in place and have the full force and effect of law. CSDA will continue to provide updates regarding reopening and the executive orders as they become available.



CSDA-Sponsored Remote Meetings Bill Amended, Moves to Senate

CSDA's sponsored bill, Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas), remains active and is currently in the State Senate. At writing, AB 361 was set for a July 1 hearing in the Senate Governance and Finance Committee, proceeding next to the Senate Judiciary Committee should it pass.

Unfortunately, the provisions of AB 361 are expected to be scaled back to satisfy concerns expressed by the chair of the Senate Governance and Finance Committee.

In its May 10 form, AB 361 would have permitted local agencies to transition to remote meetings during emergencies declared by *either* the state or a county. This would have allowed for special districts to transition to remote meetings with Brown Act procedures similar to those used while Governor Newsom's March 2020 Executive Orders remained active, subsequent to a formal county-declared local emergency. Such an arrangement would have allowed for special districts to be more responsive to emergencies given the obvious relative proximity of counties to local emergencies, while also eliminating the need to rely on a timely and accurate gubernatorial declaration.

Pending amendments insisted upon by the chair of the Senate Governance and Finance Committee would remove county-issued local emergency declarations from the bill, thereby leaving only gubernatorial declarations as grounds for local agencies to transition to remote meetings. Additional amendments include a two-year sunset date and other clarifying changes.

Despite the pending amendments to limit AB 361 to gubernatorial declarations of emergency, opposition to AB 361 is expected to press their case in the State Senate. Therefore, CSDA encourages its members to submit position letters in support of AB 361 to encourage its passage.

Take Action

Authorize an AB 361 Automated Form Letter or download a Sample Letter of Support at [csda.net/take-action/brown-act](https://www.csda.net/take-action/brown-act)



Redistricting Measure Feedback Requested

Certain special districts with “by-district” elections, as opposed to those with “at-large” elections, face a November 1, 2021 deadline to adopt their re-districted maps despite a delay in U.S. Census data necessary to adopt the required maps. Thus far, CSDA is aware of fire protection, recreation and park, and community services districts facing this deadline. CSDA supported amendments to Senate Bill 594 (Glazer) to address this concern, but the legislation’s progress recently stalled. Your feedback is needed to guide CSDA’s next steps.

SB 594, as currently drafted, calls for all special districts to adopt their post census re-districting maps at least 180 days before the general election in 2022. The bill now resides in the Assembly Rules Committee, where it remains alive, but is not currently moving. Additionally, some stakeholders are calling for new amendments to SB 594 to push the redistricting map deadline for all agencies to 205 days prior to a general election so as to provide election officials sufficient time to manage the growing number of by-district election contests. Recent legislation adjusted the dates for counties and general law cities to adopt their re-districting maps 205 days prior to a November general election and 174 days prior for a June election.

The State’s independent redistricting commission has yet to finalize what date its Congressional, State Legislature, and State Board of Equalization maps are expected for the June 2022 elections. The commission’s determination may ultimately inform the Legislature how local agencies should also be treated, as local elections officials generally cannot determine voting precincts until all redistricting maps are received. This, along with a general lack of consensus over other concerns, has contributed to the Legislature pausing further action on SB 594 while these issues are ironed out.

Take Action

If your special district conducts by-district elections and would like to provide input in CSDA’s ongoing advocacy on redistricting deadlines, email CSDA Legislative Representative Anthony Tannehill at anthonyt@csda.net to join a Working Group on this topic

CSDA will continue working with the State Legislature and other local stakeholders to advocate for a smooth, accurate, and feasible redistricting timeline for special districts. However, it has become evident that any formal adjustments to existing redistricting deadlines facing special districts may not be enacted until fall, if at all. Therefore, any special districts with a November 1, 2021 redistricting map adoption deadline should prepare accordingly to proceed in a manner that will permit lawful elections to continue within the existing prescribed deadlines.



➤ HUMAN RESOURCES AND PERSONNEL

CSDA's long range policy priority on human resources and personnel is to promote policies related to hiring, management, and benefits and retirement that afford flexibility, contain costs, and enhance the ability to recruit and retain highly qualified, career-minded employees to public service. As public agency employers, support policies that foster productive relationships between management and employees, both represented and non-represented.

Pension Rates to Increase, Again

Everyone is well aware that the costs of public pensions have gone up steadily for the last decade, but you might not be aware that they're about to go up again.

CalPERS is expected to announce that, following the close of the 2020-21 fiscal year on June 30, the fund had investment returns in excess of 15 percent. While that is great news, it also comes with a catch called the "Funding Risk Mitigation Policy" or FRMP. The FRMP was established in 2017 as a way to gradually lower the discount rate from then-7.25 percent to match anticipated lower long-term returns. The FRMP is designed to automatically reduce the discount rate following a year where the investment returns are at least two percent higher than the current discount rate.

The discount rate is the pension fund's anticipated rate of investment returns and is used to calculate member contributions. It is currently set at 7 percent. With a return of 15 percent, the discount rate will automatically be lowered by 10 bases points or 0.10 percent to 6.9 percent.

Lowering the discount rate leads to increased normal costs, annual employer and employee payment rates. In this case, the lowering of the discount rate by .10 percent will result in increased contributions by both employers and employees in the 2023-24 fiscal year.

In addition to the rate increases coming from the FRMP, CalPERS is also in the middle of their Asset Liability Management (ALM) process which will likely further reduce the discount rate when the process ends in February of 2022.

Take Action

For more information on the Funding Risk Mitigation Policy and the Asset Liability Management process, visit calpers.ca.gov and participate in the upcoming CalPERS Board Meetings July 12-14.



➤ LEGAL ADVOCACY

CSDA is the leading legal advocacy voice for all special districts regarding public policy in California and actively tracks and reviews cases of significance affecting special districts in state and federal courts. Under the guidance of CSDA's Legal Advisory Working Group, CSDA files amicus briefs and opines on court cases when appropriate.

CSDA Urges Supreme Court to Provide Special Districts Relief from At-Large Election System Litigation

A case currently pending in the Supreme Court of California concerning the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) may have wide-ranging impact on any special district that elects its Board of Directors in an at-large election system. In [Pico Neighborhood Association v. City of Santa Monica](#), the Supreme Court will for the first time consider the following question: "What must a plaintiff prove in order to establish vote dilution under the California Voting Rights Act?" On June 15, CSDA joined the League of California Cities ("Cal Cities") to file an amicus brief to the Supreme Court in support of Santa Monica, urging the court to consider the practical concerns guiding special districts' decision to switch to by-district elections, and seeking clarity in how the CVRA is applied to legitimate, non-discriminatory at-large election systems. You can view a copy of the CSDA brief by visiting the CSDA [Legal Advocacy webpage](#).

Special districts throughout the state have begun to face legal challenges to their voting systems in recent years, and many have sought guidance on switching from an "at-large" to "by-district" voting method to comply with the CVRA. The CVRA prohibits any political subdivision from using any at-large method of election that "impairs the ability of a protected class to elect candidates of its choice or influence the outcome of an election, as a result of the dilution or the abridgement of the rights of voters who are members of the protected class[.]" Prior to the decision in this case, plaintiffs prevailed on CVRA claims simply by presenting evidence of the existence of racially polarized voting without also showing dilution of the vote.

In this case involving the City of Santa Monica, the City argued evidence at trial demonstrated that its at-large election system for City Council members is fair and inclusive and does not dilute the voting power of protected classes. As evidence, the City pointed to the fact that Santa Monica has a history of electing minority people of color to a variety of local positions. Moreover, the evidence at trial showed that under the at-large election system, between 2002 and 2016, candidates preferred by Latino/a voters won at least 70% of the time in Santa Monica city council races.

In February 2019, the trial court ruled in favor of the plaintiffs and ordered Santa Monica to switch from at-large to by-district voting. The City appealed. In February 2020, [CSDA joined](#) the League of California Cities to file an [amicus brief](#) in support of Santa Monica, authored by Derek Cole, Partner at CSDA Business Affiliate law firm [Cole Huber](#). Mr. Cole also authored the amicus brief to the Supreme Court on behalf of CSDA and Cal Cities.

Last year, for the first time since the passage of the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) in 2003, a local government with an at-large voting system successfully defended a substantive legal challenge to its election method when Santa Monica prevailed at the appellate court. The [ruling from the Second District Court of Appeal](#) held that "the legislature required litigants to prove both dilution *and* racially polarized voting in order to establish a claim, to have a remedy, and to recover fees." Unfortunately, the decision was de-published and the matter is now pending before the California Supreme Court.

CSDA will continue to monitor this case and inform our members when an opinion is issued in the matter. For questions about this case and its impact on your district, contact CSDA Deputy General Counsel Mustafa Hessabi at mustafah@csda.net.



➤ OTHER WAYS TO TAKE ACTION

Be Recognized

CSDA is pleased to announce additional award recognition opportunities for special districts through our affiliate organization, the **Institute for Local Government (ILG)**. ILG's Beacon Program has provided a framework for local governments to be recognized for voluntary efforts that contribute to more **sustainable and resilient communities**. Special districts are now eligible to join the program and apply for awards. Whether your agency is a Beacon participant or not, you will be able to submit an innovative project, program, plan, or policy your agency has implemented for award consideration due **July 31**.

Details: <https://www.ca-ilg.org/beacon-program>

Learn More

Complete Your Governance Training at our SDLA Conference this September!

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- Budget, Finance and Taxation
- Environment
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- Human Resources and Personnel
- Governance
- Public Works and Contracting

Stay Informed

In addition to the many ways you can **TAKE ACTION** with CSDA's advocacy efforts, CSDA offers a variety of tools to keep you up-to-date and assist you in your district's legislative and public outreach. Make sure you're reading these resources:

- CSDA's weekly e-Newsletter
- Districts in the News
- CSDA's CA Special District Magazine

Email updates@csda.net for help accessing these additional member resources.