SUMMERLAND SANITARY DISTRICT June 30, 2023 and 2022 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



SUMMERLAND SANITARY DISTRICT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors Summerland Sanitary District:

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Summerland Sanitary District (the District) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the District as of June 30, 2023 and 2022, and the changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 3 through 9, the Santa Barbara County Employees' Retirement System – Schedule of Summerland Sanitary District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability on page 33, the Santa Barbara County Employees' Retirement System - Schedule of Summerland Sanitary District's Contributions on page 34, and the Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) Plan – Schedule of Changes in the Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios on page 35, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Bartlett, Pringle & Wolf, LLP

Santa Barbara, California January 11, 2024

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) of activities and financial performance of the Summerland Sanitary District (District) provides an introduction to the financial statements of the District for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the District's financial statements and related notes, which follow this section.

Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis provides an introduction and a brief description of the District's financial statements, including the relationship of the statements to each other and the significant differences in the information they provide. The District's financial statements include four components:

- Statement of Net Position
- Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position
- Statement of Cash Flows
- Notes to the Financial Statements

The statement of net position includes all the District's assets and deferred outflows and liabilities and deferred inflows, with the difference reported as net position. Net position may be displayed in the categories:

- Net Investment in Capital Assets
- Restricted Net Position
- Unrestricted Net Position

The statement of net position includes all of the District's investments in resources (assets) and the obligations to creditors (liabilities). It also provides the basis for computing rate of return, evaluating the capital structure of the District and assessing the liquidity and financial flexibility of the District.

The statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position presents information which shows how the District's net position changed during the year. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are recorded when the underlying transaction occurs, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. The statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position measures the success of the District's operations over the past year and determines whether the District has recovered its costs through user fees and other charges.

The statement of cash flows provides information regarding the District's cash receipts and cash disbursements during the year. This statement reports cash activity in four categories:

- Operating
- Non-capital financing
- Capital and related financing
- Investing

This statement differs from the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position because the statement of cash flows accounts only for transactions that result in cash receipts or cash disbursements.

<u>Financial Statements</u> (Continued)

The notes to the financial statements provide a description of the accounting policies used to prepare the financial statements and present material disclosures required by generally accepted accounting principles that are not otherwise present in the financial statements. The notes to the basic financial statements can be found on pages 13 through 32.

Financial Highlights

- The District's net position increased by 8% or \$271,523 to \$3,668,609 in fiscal year 2023 as a result of operating loss of \$83,361 and non-operating income of \$354,884. In the prior year, the District's net position decreased by 10.6% or \$403,569 to \$3,397,086 in fiscal year 2022 as a result of operating loss of \$84,706 and non-operating loss of \$318,863.
- The District's operating revenues increased by 4.7% or \$48,564 in fiscal year 2023. In the prior year, operating revenues decreased by 1.7% or \$17,996.

Financial Analysis of the District

One of the most important questions asked about the District's finances is, "Is the District better off or worse off as a result of this year's activities?" The statement of net position and the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position reports information about the District in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the *accrual basis of accounting*, which is similar to the accounting used by most private sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when the cash is received or paid.

Statement of Net Position

One can think of the District's net position – the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources – as a way to measure the District's financial health, or *financial position*. Over time, *increases or decreases* in the District's net position are one indicator of whether its *financial health* is improving or deteriorating. However, one will need to consider other non-financial factors such as changes in economic conditions, population growth, zoning and new or changed government legislation, such as changes in Federal and State wastewater standards.

The District has an Operations Fund, a Restricted Capital Facilities Fund, and an Unrestricted Board Designated Fund for Capital Replacement and Repair (respectively fund 5215, 5216 and 5217).

The District's net position at June 30, 2023 totaled \$3,668,609 compared to \$3,397,086 at June 30, 2022. The activity attributable to the changes in net position can be found on the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position.

Condensed Statement of Net Position

The following is a summary of the District's statement of net position as of June 30, 2023 compared to June 30, 2022:

	2023		 2022		Change
Assets:					
Current assets	\$	2,218,347	\$ 2,397,618	\$	(179,271)
Restricted assets		216,337	227,445		(11,108)
Capital assets, net		2,621,457	2,588,056		33,401
Total assets		5,056,141	 5,213,119		(156,978)
Deferred Outflows of Resources:					
Deferred pensions		228,584	270,388		(41,804)
Deferred other post-employment benefits		25,071	32,935		(7,864)
Total deferred outflows of resources		253,655	 303,323		(49,668)
Liabilities:					
Current liabilities		64,848	390,099		(325,251)
Long-term liabilities		1,452,048	1,241,480		210,568
Total liabilities		1,516,896	1,631,579		(114,683)
Deferred Inflows of Resources:					
Deferred pensions		75,727	445,157		(369,430)
Deferred other post-employment benefits		48,564	 42,620		5,944
Total deferred inflows of resources		124,291	 487,777		(363,486)
Net Position:					
Net investment in capital assets		2,621,457	2,588,056		33,401
Restricted		216,339	228,518		(12,179)
Unrestricted		830,813	580,512		250,301
Total net position	\$	3,668,609	\$ 3,397,086	\$	271,523

Assets and deferred outflows of resources of the District exceed liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$3,668,609 as of June 30, 2023 and \$3,397,086 as of June 30, 2022.

A large portion of the District's net position (71% and 76% as of June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022, respectively) reflects its net investment in capital assets net of related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. Net investment in capital assets excludes unspent debt proceeds. The District uses these capital assets to provide sewer service to customers within the District's service area; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending.

Total liabilities had an overall decrease of \$114,683 as of June 30, 2023 compared to June 30, 2022. During 2023, payments of \$43,415 were made on the \$500,000 debt to finance the outfall repair project, bringing the debt balance to \$456,585 at June 30, 2023. Additionally, current liabilities decreased due to the payment made in 2023 of \$343,541 that was accrued for costs related to the ocean outfall project at June 30, 2022. The decrease related to the ocean outfall project accrual was offset by an increase in the net pension liability as of June 30, 2023, as reflected in the actuarial valuation.

Statement of Net Position (Continued)

Restricted net position as of June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022 was \$216,339 and \$228,518, respectively, and is restricted for capital outlay. At the end of the fiscal years 2023 and 2022, the District shows a positive balance in its unrestricted net position of \$830,813 and \$580,512, respectively, which may be utilized in future years. As of June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022, \$941,469 and \$784,779, respectively, was included in fund 5217 designated by the board for capital replacement and repair.

The following is a summary of the District's statement of net position as of June 30, 2022 compared to June 30, 2021:

	2022	2021	Change
Assets:			
Current assets	\$ 2,397,618	\$ 2,092,412	\$ 305,206
Restricted assets	227,445	250,276	(22,831)
Capital assets, net	2,588,056	2,555,016	33,040
Total assets	5,213,119	4,897,704	315,415
Deferred Outflows of Resources:			
Deferred pensions	270,388	417,746	(147,358)
Deferred other post-employment benefits	32,935	39,739	(6,804)
Total deferred outflows of resources	303,323	457,485	(154,162)
Liabilities:			
Current liabilities	390,099	17,196	372,903
Long-term liabilities	1,241,480	1,427,565	(186,085)
Total liabilities	1,631,579	1,444,761	186,818
Deferred Inflows of Resources:			
Deferred pensions	445,157	84,575	360,582
Deferred other post-employment benefits	42,620	25,198	17,422
Total deferred inflows of resources	487,777	109,773	378,004
Net Position:			
Net investment in capital assets	2,588,056	2,555,016	33,040
Restricted	228,518	250,277	(21,759)
Unrestricted	580,512	995,362	(414,850)
Total net position	\$ 3,397,086	\$ 3,800,655	\$ (403,569)

Assets and deferred outflows of resources of the District exceed liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$3,397,086 as of June 30, 2022 and \$3,800,655 as of June 30, 2021.

A large portion of the District's net position (76% and 67% as of June 30, 2022 and June 30, 2021, respectively) reflects its net investment in capital assets net of related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. Net investment in capital assets excludes unspent debt proceeds. The District uses these capital assets to provide sewer service to customers within the District's service area; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending.

Statement of Net Position (Continued)

Total liabilities had an overall increase of \$186,818 as of June 30, 2022 compared to June 30, 2021. During 2022, \$500,000 of new debt was incurred to finance the outfall repair project. Additionally, current liabilities includes \$343,541 that was accrued for costs related to the ocean outfall project. The increase related to the ocean outfall project was offset by a decrease in the net pension liability as of June 30, 2022, as reflected in the actuarial valuation.

Restricted net position as of June 30, 2022 and June 30, 2021 was \$228,518 and \$250,277, respectively, and is restricted for capital outlay. At the end of the fiscal years 2022 and 2021, the District shows a positive balance in its unrestricted net position of \$580,512 and \$995,362, respectively, which may be utilized in future years. As of June 30 2022, and June 30, 2021, \$784,779 and \$1,350,227, respectively, was included in fund 5217 designated by the board for capital replacement and repair.

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

The statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position shows how the District's net position changed during the fiscal year. Net position increased by \$271,523 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 and decreased by \$403,569 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. Following is a summary of the District's statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position for the year ending June 30, 2023 compared to June 30, 2022:

	2023	2022	Change
Revenues:			
Operating revenues	\$ 1,085,103	\$ 1,036,539	\$ 48,564
Non-operating revenues	354,884	297,208	57,676
Total revenues	1,439,987	1,333,747	106,240
Expenses:			
Operating expenses	1,004,148	951,272	52,876
Non-operating expenses	-	616,071	(616,071)
Depreciation	164,316	169,973	(5,657)
Total expenses	1,168,464	1,737,316	(568,852)
Change in net position	271,523	(403,569)	675,092
Net position, beginning of year	3,397,086	3,800,655	(403,569)
Net position, end of year	\$ 3,668,609	\$ 3,397,086	\$ 271,523

In 2023 the District's total revenues increased by \$48,564 primarily by increased service charges and property taxes. Total expenses decreased by \$568,852 primarily due to a legal settlement of \$202,080 in 2022 and a loss on disposal of capital assets of \$413,990 in 2022, which was offset by a increase in salaries and benefits expenses and professional services and supplies expenses.

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position (Continued)

Following is a summary of the District's statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position for the year ending June 30, 2022 compared to June 30, 2021:

	2022	2021	Change
Revenues:			
Operating revenues	\$ 1,036,539	\$ 1,054,535	\$ (17,996)
Non-operating revenues	297,208	293,107	4,101
Total revenues	1,333,747	1,347,642	(13,895)
Expenses:			
Operating expenses	951,272	1,096,555	(145,283)
Non-operating expenses	616,071	-	616,071
Depreciation	169,973	161,859	8,114
Total expenses	1,737,316	1,258,414	478,902
Change in net position	(403,569)	89,228	(492,797)
Net position, beginning of year	3,800,655	3,711,427	89,228
Net position, end of year	\$ 3,397,086	\$ 3,800,655	\$ (403,569)

In 2022 he District's total revenues decreased by \$13,895 primarily due to having no connection fees or capital contributions in the current year, which was partially offset by increased service charges and property taxes. Total expenses increased by \$478,902 primarily due to a legal settlement of \$202,080 in 2022 and a loss on disposal of capital assets of \$413,990, which was offset by a decrease in salaries and benefits expenses.

Property and Equipment

Changes in property and equipment for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 were as follows:

	 Balance 2022	dditions/ `ransfers	eletions/ `ransfers	 Balance 2023
Non-depreciable assets Depreciable assets	\$ 2,525 5,578,788	\$ - 201,163	\$ - (545,664)	\$ 2,525 5,234,287
Accumulated depreciation Total property and	 (2,993,257)	 (164,316)	 542,218	 (2,615,355)
equipment, net	\$ 2,588,056	\$ 36,847	\$ (3,446)	\$ 2,621,457

Property and Equipment (Continued)

Changes in property and equipment for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 were as follows:

	 Balance 2021	dditions/ Transfers)eletions/ Transfers	 Balance 2022
Non-depreciable assets Depreciable assets Accumulated depreciation Total property and	\$ 2,525 5,508,716 (2,956,225)	\$ 617,003 (169,973)	\$ (546,931) 132,941	\$ 2,525 5,578,788 (2,993,257)
equipment, net	\$ 2,555,016	\$ 447,030	\$ (413,990)	\$ 2,588,056

At the end of fiscal years 2023 and 2022, the District's investment in capital assets net of accumulated depreciation amounted to \$2,621,457 and \$2,588,056, respectively. This investment in capital assets includes land, sewage treatment facilities, subsurface lines, ocean outfall lines and equipment. Capital assets additions during 2023 include \$935 for sewage treatment facilities, \$7,644 for subsurface lines, and \$192,584 for equipment additions. Additionally, capital assets deletions during 2023 include \$375,417 for sewage treatment facilities, \$5,383 for subsurface lines, \$7,998 for ocean outfall lines, and \$156,866 for equipment, with accumulated depreciation amounted to \$542,218. The disposals resulted in a net loss of \$3,446. Capital assets additions during 2022 include \$13,098 for sewage treatment facilities, \$65,507 for subsurface lines, \$412,917 for ocean outfall lines, and \$125,481 for equipment additions. Additionally, capital assets deletions during 2022 include \$28,460 for sewage treatment facilities, \$30,721 for subsurface lines, \$414,236 for ocean outfall lines, and \$73,514 for equipment, with accumulated depreciation amounted to \$132,941. The disposals resulted in a net loss of \$413,990, primarily due to the abandonment of the rehabilitation ocean outfall project.

Conditions Affecting Current Financial Position

Management is unaware of any conditions, which could have a significant impact on the District's current financial position, net position or operating results in terms of past, present and future.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide the District's funding sources, customers, stakeholders and other interested parties with an overview of the District's financial operations and financial condition. Should the reader have questions regarding the information included in this report or wish to request additional financial information, please contact the District's Administrative Manager at 2435 Wallace Avenue, Summerland, CA 93067.

SUMMERLAND SANITARY DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

June 30, 2023 and 2022

	2023	2022
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 2,206,639	\$ 2,393,761
Interest receivable	11,708	3,857
Total current assets	2,218,347	2,397,618
Restricted assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents, restricted (Note 2)	215,190	227,096
Interest receivable, restricted	1,147	349
Total restricted assets	216,337	227,445
Property and equipment:		
Total property and equipment	5,236,812	5,581,313
Accumulated depreciation	(2,615,355)	(2,993,257)
Net property and equipment (Notes 1 and 3)	2,621,457	2,588,056
Total assets	5,056,141	5,213,119
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred pensions (Note 5)	228,584	270,388
Deferred other post-employment benefits (Note 6)	25,071	32,935
Total deferred outflows of resources	253,655	303,323
LIABILITIES Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	20,087	346,684
Current portion of long-term debt (Note 4)	44,761	43,415
Total current liabilities	64,848	390,099
Long-term liabilities:		
Accrued compensated absences (Note 1)	20,913	21,550
Long-term debt (Note 4)	411,824	456,585
Other accrued expenses (Note 8)	153,000	153,000
Net pension liability (Note 5)	710,861	429,186
Other post-employment benefits liability (Note 6)	155,450	181,159
Total long-term liabilities	1,452,048	1,241,480
Total liabilities	1,516,896	1,631,579
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred pensions (Note 5)	75,727	445,157
Deferred other post-employment benefits (Note 6)	48,564	42,620
Total deferred inflows of resources	124,291	487,777
NET POSITION		
Net investment in capital assets	2,621,457	2,588,056
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-	216.339	228.518
Restricted Unrestricted	216,339 830,813	228,518 580,512

See accompanying notes

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

For the Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

	2023	2022
Operating revenues:		
Service charges	\$ 1,065,794	\$ 1,031,362
Connection fees	12,083	-
Inspection fees	1,971	1,683
Administrative revenue	5,255	3,494
Total operating revenues	1,085,103	1,036,539
Operating expenses:		
Salaries and benefits	662,472	635,690
Facilities	139,080	132,392
Services and supplies	202,596	183,190
Depreciation	164,316	169,973
Total operating expenses	1,168,464	1,121,245
Operating loss	(83,361)	(84,706)
Non-operating revenues (expenses):		
Property taxes	319,187	287,207
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets	16,554	(413,990)
Loss on settlement of litigation	-	(202,080)
Investment earnings	19,143	10,000
Net non-operating income	354,884	(318,863)
Change in net position	271,523	(403,569)
Net position, beginning of year	3,397,086	3,800,655
Net position, end of year	\$ 3,668,609	\$ 3,397,086

SUMMERLAND SANITARY DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS For the Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

	 2023		2022
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:			
Cash received from customers	\$ 1,085,103	\$	1,036,539
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(668,273)		(531,715)
Cash payments to employees for services	 (720,961)		(746,194)
Net cash used by operating activities	 (304,131)		(241,370)
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities:			
Proceeds from property taxes	 319,187		287,207
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	 319,187		287,207
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:			
Additions-equipment	(192,584)		(125,481)
Additions-subsurface lines	(7,644)		(134,883)
Additions-disposal plant	(935)		(13,098)
Proceeds from debt	-		500,000
Payments on debt	 (43,415)		-
Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities	 (244,578)		226,538
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:			
Investment earnings	10,494		7,947
Proceeds from sale of long-term asset	 20,000		-
Net cash provided by investing activities	 30,494		7,947
Net change in cash	(199,028)		280,322
Cash and restricted cash and equivalents at beginning of period	 2,620,857		2,340,535
Cash and restricted cash and equivalents at end of period	\$ 2,421,829	\$	2,620,857
Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash used by operating activities:			
Operating loss	\$ (83,361)	\$	(84,706)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash provided			
by operating activities:			
Depreciation	164,316		169,973
Loss on settlement of litigation	-		(202,080)
Decrease (increase) in:			
Deferred outflows	49,668		154,162
Increase (decrease) in:			(14050)
Accounts payable	(326,597)		(14,053)
Net pension liability Other post employment henefits	281,675		(613,884) (25,027)
Other post-employment benefits Deferred inflows	(25,709) (363,486)		(25,937) 378,004
Accrued compensated absences	(303,480) (637)		378,004 (2,849)
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Net cash used by operating activities	\$ (304,131)	\$	(241,370)

See accompanying notes

A) Organization and Operations of the Reporting Entity

Summerland Sanitary District (District) was formed in 1957, under the provisions of the Sanitary District Act of 1923 Health and Safety Code, State of California, Section 6400, et seq. The District is located in an area generally known as Summerland in Santa Barbara, California. The District was organized to provide sewage collection and treatment for residents within the District's geographical boundaries.

The District is governed by a Board of Directors consisting of five members elected at large. The Directors serve with minimal compensation for attendance at official board meetings or services as adopted through resolution 2015-01. The Board employs and is assisted by an Operations Manager, Administrative Manager, and such other personnel as are required to operate the District.

B) Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus

The District reports its activities as an enterprise fund, which is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to a private business enterprise, where the intent of the District is that the costs (including depreciation) of providing services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through use charges for sewer services and connection fees. Revenues and expenses are recognized on the accrual basis. Revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they are earned and expenses are recognized in the period incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place.

The District distinguishes operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and the producing and delivering of goods in connection with the District's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the District are charges for sewer services and connection fees. Operating expenses of the District include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses. The District is responsible for funding all of its expenses, regardless of the operating or non-operating classification.

The financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

C) <u>Use of Estimates</u>

The preparation of the basic financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported changes in net position during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

D) <u>Budgetary Policies</u>

The District prepares an annual budget which estimates major sources of revenue to be received during the fiscal year, as well as estimated expenditures needed for operation of District facilities.

E) Property Taxes and Sewer Service Charges

Property tax in California is levied in accordance with Article 13A of the State Constitution at one percent (1%) of countywide assessed valuations. Secured property taxes are levied on July 1 and become delinquent on December 10 and April 10, for the first and second installments, respectively. Unsecured personal property taxes are collected in one installment and become delinquent August 31.

Property taxes and sewer service charges are allocated on the County of Santa Barbara's annual tax bills to property owners who receive sewer service by the District. The County of Santa Barbara Tax Collector's Office collects the property taxes and sewer charge payments from the property owners and transfers the collection to the District's operating fund held with the County Treasurer's Office. During fiscal year 1994, the District adopted the *Teeter Plan* as defined under California Revenue and Taxation Code. Under the Teeter Plan, the District receives from the County 99.5% of the annual assessed secured and unsecured property taxes and 100% of its annual sewer service charges for the year, with the County responsible for the collection of any delinquent property taxes and sewer service charges on the delinquent property taxes and sewer service charges; hence, no accrual for uncollected property taxes and sewer service charges is recorded at year-end.

F) Compensated Absences

Vacation Accrual

Employees are encouraged to use their accrued vacation benefits each calendar year. Full and parttime employees may accrue up to a maximum of two times their annual accrual amount as indicated below based upon full-time employment.

Years of	Maximum
Service	Vacation
Completed	Accrual
Up to 4 years	160 hours
5 to 9 years	240 hours
10 to 14 years	320 hours
15+ years	400 hours

F) <u>Compensated Absences</u> (Continued)

In the event an employee's earned but unused vacation benefit reaches the maximum accrual that is allowed, vacation benefits will cease to accrue until the employee takes enough vacation to lower the maximum accrual entitlement. Vacation benefit accruals will then resume up to the maximum time allowed.

Sick Leave Pay Out

Upon retirement from the District through the County Retirement System, all accrued unused sick leave up to a maximum of 80 (eighty) hours shall be paid to the employee in accordance with the following schedule:

Years of	Sick
Service	Leave
Completed	Pay Out
Up to 10 years	50%
10 to 20 years	75%
20+ years	100%

Sick leave pay will be calculated based on the employee's current regular hourly rate of pay. Accumulated sick leave over 80 (eighty) hours will be rolled over to the retirement system for service time credit.

Employees who voluntary resign before retirement through the County Retirement System or are discharged from District service are not eligible for sick leave pay-out of any accrued and unused sick leave hours. If the employee is rehired within one year of the initial separation due to voluntary resignation before retirement through the County Retirement System or discharge from District service, all previously unused sick leave will be reinstated.

As of June 30, 2023 and 2022 compensated absences were \$20,913 and \$21,550, respectively.

G) Property and Equipment

Property and equipment acquired and/or constructed are capitalized at historical cost. District policy has set the capitalization threshold for reporting capital assets at \$1,000. Donated assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Upon retirement or other disposition of capital assets, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective balances and any gains or losses are recognized. Depreciation is recorded on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

- Sewage treatment facilities 5 to 50 years
- Subsurface lines 5 to 50 years
- Ocean outfall lines 8 to 20 years
- Equipment 3 to 30 years

H) Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, and is classified into three components as follows:

Net investment in capital assets – This component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net investment in capital assets excludes unspent debt proceeds.

Restricted – This component of net position consists of assets which are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose.

Unrestricted – This component of net position consists of net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets." Board designated net position represents unrestricted assets which are segregated by the Board of Directors for specific future uses.

When an expense is incurred for purposes for which both unrestricted and restricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to apply restricted assets first, then unrestricted resources.

I) <u>Pensions</u>

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability and deferred outflows/inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of Summerland Sanitary District's proportionate share of the Santa Barbara County Employees' Retirement System (Retirement System) plan (Plan) and additions to/deductions from the Plans' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Retirement System. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

J) Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the total OPEB liability of the District and additions to/deductions from the District's OPEB liability have been determined on the same basis. For this purpose, the District recognizes benefit payments when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms.

K) Future Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Pronouncements

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements listed below will be implemented in future financial statements if applicable. These statements will be evaluated by the District to determine if they will have a material impact to the financial statements once effective.

Statement No. 100	"Accounting Changes and Error Corrections - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 62"	The requirements of this statement are effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2023. (FY 23/24)
Statement No. 101	"Compensated Absences"	The requirements of this statement are effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2023. (FY 24/25)

Note 2 – <u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u>

Substantially all of the District's cash is invested in interest bearing accounts. The District considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Authorized Deposits and Investments

The District has adopted an investment policy directing the Fiscal Officer to deposit funds in financial institutions. Investments are to be made in the Santa Barbara County Pooled Investment Fund (SBCPIF).

Changes in fair value that occur during a fiscal year are recognized as unrealized gains or losses and reported for that fiscal year. Investment income comprises interest earnings, changes in fair value, and any gains or losses realized upon liquidation or sale of investments.

Cash and cash equivalents are classified in the statement of net position as of June 30, as follows:

	2023	2022
Cash and cash equivalents, unrestricted	\$ 2,206,639	\$ 2,393,761
Cash and cash equivalents, restricted capacity fees	215,190	227,096
Total	\$ 2,421,829	\$ 2,620,857

Note 2 – <u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u> (Continued)

Cash and cash equivalents as of June 30, consist of the following:

	 2023	 2022
Deposits held with financial institutions	\$ 29,198	\$ 28,501
Deposits held with Santa Barbara County Pooled		
Investment Fund (SBCPIF)	2,392,631	2,592,356
Total	\$ 2,421,829	\$ 2,620,857

Santa Barbara County Pooled Investment Fund

The cash with the County of Santa Barbara is managed by the County Treasurer's Office. Sewer service charges and property taxes collected for the District are deposited in the District's operating account (fund). The majority of expenses of the District are processed through this account. The Pool is not registered as an investment company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) nor is it an SEC Rule 2a7-like Pool. California Government Code statutes and the County Treasury Oversight Committee set forth the various investment policies that the County Treasurer must follow. All participants in the Pool are allocated their proportionate share of the net realized earnings on investments quarterly based upon each participant's average daily cash balance. Unrealized gains and losses are also apportioned quarterly to participants based upon the participant's ending cash balance. Credit and market risk is unknown for the District's Pool share. The fair value of the Pool is based on the value of the Pool shares.

The County of Santa Barbara's bank deposits are either federally insured or collateralized in accordance with the California Government Code. Pool detail is included in the County of Santa Barbara's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). Copies of the CAFR may be obtained from the County of Santa Barbara Auditor-Controller's Office – 105 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101.

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for *deposits* is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depositor financial institution, a government will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The California Government Code and the District's investment policy do not contain legal or policy requirements that would limit the exposure to custodial credit risk for deposits, other than the following provision for deposits: The California Government Code requires that a financial institution secure deposits made by state or local governmental units by pledging securities in an undivided collateral pool held by a depository regulated under state law (unless so waived by the governmental unit). The market value of the pledged securities in the collateral pool must equal at least 110% of the total amount deposited by the public agencies. The District had deposits with bank balances of \$29,198 as of June 30, 2023. Of the bank balance, up to \$250,000 is federally insured, any balance over \$250,000 is collateralized in accordance with the Code; however, the collateralized securities are not held in the District's name.

Note 2 – <u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u> (Continued)

The custodial credit risk for *investments* is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty (e.g., broker-dealer) to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. The Code and the District's investment policy contain legal and policy requirements that would limit the exposure to custodial credit risk for investments. With respect to investments, custodial credit risk generally applies only to direct investments in marketable securities. Custodial credit risk does not apply to a local government's indirect investment in securities through the use of mutual funds or government investment pools (such as SBCPIF).

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The longer the maturity an investment has the greater its fair value is sensitive to changes in market interest rates. The District's investment policy follows the Code as it relates to limits on investment maturities as a means of managing exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. The SBCPIF is considered to have a maturity of less than 12 months.

Note 3 - <u>Property and Equipment</u>

Property and equipment additions during 2023 include \$935 for sewage treatment facilities, \$7,644 for subsurface lines and \$192,584 for equipment additions. Additionally, property and equipment deletions during 2023 include \$375,417 for sewage treatment facilities, \$5,383 for subsurface lines, \$7,998 for ocean outfall lines and \$156,866 for equipment.

Balance Balance Additions 2022 **Disposals** Transfers 2023 Non-depreciable assets: Land \$ \$ 2,525 2,525 Total non-depreciable assets 2.525 2.525 Depreciable assets: Sewage treatment facilities 2,017,225 935 (375, 417)1,642,743 Subsurface lines 2,687,515 7.644 (5,383)2,689,776 Ocean outfall lines 93,203 (7,998)85,205 192,584 Equipment 780,845 (156, 866)816,563 Total depreciable assets 5,578,788 201,163 (545, 664)5,234,287 542,218 Accumulated depreciation (2,993,257)(164, 316)(2,615,355)Total depreciable assets, net 2,585,531 36,847 (3, 446)_ 2,618,932 \$ 2,621,457 Total capital assets, net \$ 2,588,056 \$ 36,847 \$ (3,446)\$

Changes in capital assets during 2023 were as follows:

Note 3 – <u>Property and Equipment</u> (Continued)

Property and equipment additions during 2022 include \$13,098 for sewage treatment facilities, \$65,507 for subsurface lines, \$412,917 for ocean outfall lines and \$125,481 for equipment additions. Additionally, property and equipment deletions during 2022 include \$28,460 for sewage treatment facilities, \$30,721 for subsurface lines, \$414,236 for ocean outfall lines and \$73,514 for equipment.

Changes in capital assets during 2022 were as follows:

	Balance 2021	Additions	Disposals	Transfers	Balance 2022
Non-depreciable assets:					
Land	\$ 2,525	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,525
Total non-depreciable assets	2,525				2,525
Depreciable assets:					
Sewage treatment facilities	2,919,917	13,098	(28,460)	(887,330)	2,017,225
Subsurface lines	1,804,559	65,507	(30,721)	848,170	2,687,515
Ocean outfall lines	52,961	412,917	(414,236)	41,561	93,203
Equipment	731,279	125,481	(73,514)	(2,401)	780,845
Total depreciable assets	5,508,716	617,003	(546,931)	-	5,578,788
Accumulated depreciation	(2,956,225)	(169,973)	132,941		(2,993,257)
Total depreciable assets, net	2,552,491	447,030	(413,990)		2,585,531
Total capital assets, net	\$ 2,555,016	\$ 447,030	\$ (413,990)	\$ -	\$ 2,588,056

Note 4 – <u>Long-Term Debt</u>

On April 19, 2022, the District entered into a loan agreement with Municipal Finance Corporation in the amount of \$500,000, with repayment in ten annual payments of \$58,915, with a 3.1% fixed interest rate. The loan proceeds are used to fund the outfall pipeline repair project. The outstanding balance was \$456,585 and \$500,000 at June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. The loan is secured by a pledge of Net Revenues. Total annual requirements to amortize the debt are as follows:

Fiscal Year End	F	Principal	I	nterest	Total
2024	\$	44,761	\$	14,154	\$ 58,915
2025		46,148		12,767	58,915
2026		47,579		11,336	58,915
2027		49,054		9,861	58,915
2028		50,574		8,340	58,914
2029 - 2032		218,469		17,190	 235,659
	\$	456,585	\$	73,648	\$ 530,233

Note 5 – <u>Retirement Plan</u>

General Information about the Pension Plans

Plan Descriptions – The District is a member of Santa Barbara County's cost sharing multipleemployer defined benefit pension plan, which is administered by the Santa Barbara County Employees' Retirement System (Retirement System). On April 28, 1994, the Board of Directors approved and adopted Resolution No. 1984-01, allowing the employees of the District to join the Santa Barbara County Employees' Retirement System. The Retirement System was organized under the provision of the 1937 County Employees Retirement Act on January 1, 1944.

The District currently participates in General Plan 5B for employees who started prior to January 1, 2013, and PEPRA Plan 8 for employees who started on or after January 1, 2013. All plans provide benefits as defined by law upon retirement, death or disability of members based upon a combination of age, years of service, final average salary (generally the 12 highest paid consecutive months), and the benefit options selected. Cost-of-living adjustments after retirement are provided in these plans.

Fiduciary Responsibility –The Retirement System is controlled by its own Retirement Board, which acts as a fiduciary agent for the accounting and control of the member and employee contributions and investment income. The Retirement System issues its own Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which includes note disclosures and required supplementary information for the pension plan. This may be obtained online at www.sbcers.org or by writing to the Santa Barbara County Employees' Retirement System at 3916 State Street, Suite 210, Santa Barbara, CA 93105.

Benefits Provided –All pension plans provide benefits, in accordance with CERL regulations, upon retirement, disability or death of members. Retirement benefits are based on years of service, final average compensation, and retirement age. Employees terminating before accruing 5 years of retirement service credit (5 year vesting) forfeit the right to receive retirement benefits unless they establish reciprocity with another public agency within the prescribed time period. Non-vested employees who terminate service are entitled to withdraw their accumulated contributions plus accrued interest. Employees who terminate service after earning 5 years of retirement service credit may leave their contributions on deposit and elect to take a deferred retirement. Differences between expected or actual experience for vested and non-vested benefits may result in an increase or decrease to pension expense and net pension liability.

Service related disability benefits are based upon final average compensation or retirement benefits (if eligible). Non-service related disability benefits are based on 1) years of service and final average compensation or 2) retirement benefits (if eligible). Death benefits are based upon a variety of factors including whether the participant was retired or not. Annual cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs) after retirement are provided in all plans. COLAs are granted to eligible retired members each April based upon the Bureau of Labor Statistics Average Consumer Price Index (CPI) for All Urban Consumers for the Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County area as of the preceding January 1 and is subject to an annual maximum dependent upon the provisions of the plans. Specific details for the retirement, disability or death benefit calculations and COLA maximums for each of the pension plans are available in the separately issued SBCERS' Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

Contributions – Per Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of California, contribution requirements of the active employees and the participating employers are established and may be amended by the SBCERS Board of Retirement. Depending upon the applicable plan, employees are required to contribute a certain percent of their annual pay. For each of the plans, the District's contractually required contribution rate for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, was a specified percent of annual payroll, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year. Additional amounts required to finance any unfunded accrued liability are the responsibility of the plan sponsors. Active members are plan members who are currently accruing benefits and/or paying contributions into the applicable plan.

The employer and employee contribution rates in effect at June 30, 2023 (measurement date June 30, 2022), are summarized as follows:

	General Plan 5B	PEPRA Plan 8
Hire date	Prior to January 1, 2013	On or after January 1, 2013
Benefit formula	2% @ 57	2% @ 62
Benefit vesting schedule	5 years of service	5 years of service
Benefit payments	monthly for life	monthly for life
Retirement age	50-62	52-67
Monthly benefits, as a % of eligible compensation	0.6681% to 1.3093%	0.0100% to 0.0250%
Required employee contribution rates	6.03% - 12.23%	8.40% - 9.51%
Required employer contribution rates	37.52%	31.36% - 32.47%

The Plans' provisions and benefits in effect at June 30, 2022 (measurement date June 30, 2021), are summarized as follows:

	General Plan 5B	PEPRA Plan 8
Hire date	Prior to January 1, 2013	On or after January 1, 2013
Benefit formula	2% @ 57	2% @ 62
Benefit vesting schedule	5 years of service	5 years of service
Benefit payments	monthly for life	monthly for life
Retirement age	50-62	52-67
Monthly benefits, as a % of eligible compensation	0.6681% to 1.3093%	0.0100% to 0.0250%
Required employee contribution rates	6.03% - 12.23%	8.36% - 9.63%
Required employer contribution rates	39.33%	32.95% - 34.22%

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expenses and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

As of June 30, 2023 and 2022, the Summerland Sanitary District reported net pension liabilities for its proportionate shares of the net pension liability of each Plan as follows:

	Jun	e 30, 2023	Jun	ne 30, 2022
Net Pension Liability	\$	710,861	\$	429,186

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the net pension liability of all of the Plans is measured as of June 30, 2022, and the total pension liability for all Plans used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2021, updated to June 30, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2022, the net pension liability of all of the Plans is measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total pension liability for all Plans used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2020, updated to June 30, 2021.

The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of their long-term share of contributions to the pension plans relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. The District's proportionate share of the net pension liability for all Plans with actuarial valuation dates of June 30, 2021 and 2020 (measurement dates June 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively) were as follows:

For the Year Ended June 3	0, 2023	For the Year Ended June 30, 2022			
(Measurement Date June 3	0, 2022)	(Measurement Date June 30, 2021)			
Proportion - June 30, 2021	0.0909%	Proportion - June 30, 2020	0.0988%		
Proportion - June 30, 2022	0.0955%	Proportion - June 30, 2021	0.0909%		
Change - Increase (Decrease)	0.0046%	Change - Increase (Decrease)	-0.0079%		

For the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, the District recognized pension expense of \$54,065 and \$87,785, respectively.

At June 30, 2023 and 2022, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	June 30, 2023			June 30, 2022				
	Defer	red Outflows	Defe	rred Inflows	Deferred Outflows		Deferred Inflows	
	of	Resources	of	Resources	of	Resources	of	Resources
Pension contributions subsequent to								
measurement date	\$	133,736	\$	-	\$	160,009	\$	-
Differences between actual and expected								
experience		-		(1,684)		-		(1,953)
Changes in assumptions		10,958		(2,848)		13,907		(9,472)
Investment return		-		(4,430)		-		(339,083)
Changes in employer's proportion and difference	e							
between the employer's contributions and the								
employer's proportionate share of contributions	5	46,642		(66,765)		43,969		(94,649)
Net differences between projected and actual								
earnings on plan investments		37,248		-		52,503		-
	\$	228,584	\$	(75,727)	\$	270,388	\$	(445,157)

Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources above represent the unamortized portion of changes to net pension liability to be recognized in future periods in a systematic and rational manner.

Employer contributions of \$133,736 reported at June 30, 2023 as deferred outflows of resources related to contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2024.

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized as pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30:	Amount		
2024	\$	1,477	
2025		(12,552)	
2026		(44,452)	
2027		74,648	
2028		-	
Thereafter		-	
	\$	19,121	

Actuarial Assumptions – The total pension liabilities in the June 30, 2021 and 2020 actuarial valuations were determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

	For the Year Ended June 30, 2023	For the Year Ended June 30, 2022
Valuation Date Measurement Date Actual Cost Method Actuarial Assumptions	June 30, 2021 June 30, 2022 Entry Age	June 30, 2020 June 30, 2021 Entry Age
Administrative expenses	Plan expenses base of \$5.6 million for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, to be split between employees and employers based on their share of the overall contributions, with wage inflation increases of 3.00% each year.	Plan expenses base of \$5.5 million for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, to be split between employees and employers based on their share of the overall contributions, with wage inflation increases of 3.00% each year.
Discount rate	7.00%	7.00%
Inflation	3.00%	3.00%
COLA Increases:		
Basic COLA	2.75%	2.75%
Post-Retirement COLA	2.60%	2.60%
Projected Salary Increase	3.00% plus merit component	3.00% plus merit component
Investment Rate of Return	7.00% (1)	7.00% (1)
Post-Retirement Mortality	Sex distinct 2014 CalPERS Healthy Annuitant Mortality Tables, with generational improvements using Projection Scale MP-2016	Sex distinct 2014 CalPERS Healthy Annuitant Mortality Tables, with generational improvements using Projection Scale MP-2016

(1) Net of pension plan investment expense

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2021, updated to the June 30, 2022 valuation, were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments (7.0 percent) was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 in the following table:

	For the Year Ende	ed June 30, 2023	For the Year End	ed June 30, 2022
		Long-Term		Long-Term
		Expected Real		Expected Real
Asset Class	Target Allocation	Rate of Return	Target Allocation	Rate of Return
Emerging markets equity	7%	7.75%	7%	8.00%
Developed market non-U.S. equity	11%	5.00%	11%	5.50%
Private equity	10%	6.50%	10%	6.75%
Broad US equity	19%	3.30%	19%	4.05%
Core fixed income	17%	0.00%	17%	0.00%
Custom non-core fixed income	11%	3.13%	11%	3.20%
Custom real return	15%	3.73%	15%	4.00%
Custom real estate	10%	4.50%	10%	4.55%
Total	100%		100%	

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.0 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from the District will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension fund's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. In theory, the discount rate may differ from the long-term expected rate of return discussed previously. However, based on the projected availability of the pension fund's fiduciary net position, the discount rate is equal to the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments, and was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability for all Plans, calculated using the discount rate for all Plans, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower or 1-percentage point higher than the current rate:

For the Year Ended Ju	ine 30, 2023	For the Year Ended June 30, 2022							
1% Decrease	6.0%	1% Decrease	¢	6.0%					
Net Pension Liability	\$ 1,327,427	Net Pension Liability	\$	997,219					
Current Discount Rate	7.0%	Current Discount Rate		7.0%					
Net Pension Liability	\$ 710,861	Net Pension Liability	\$	429,186					
1% Increase	8.0%	1% Increase		8.0%					
Net Pension Liability	\$ 206,450	Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$	(35,400)					

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position – Detailed information about each pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued SBCERS ACFR.

Note 6 – Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB)

Plan Description – The District is a member of Santa Barbara County's cost sharing multipleemployer defined benefit postemployment healthcare plan (OPEB Plan), which is administered by the Santa Barbara County Employees' Retirement System (Retirement System). The OPEB Plan provides medical benefits to eligible retired employees, as well as to their eligible dependents, pursuant to California Government Code Section 31694 et. seq.

The Retirement System issues its own Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which includes note disclosures and required supplementary information for the OPEB Plan. This may be obtained online at www.sbcers.org or by writing to the Santa Barbara County Employees' Retirement System at 3916 State Street, Suite 210, Santa Barbara, CA 93105.

Plan Benefits – The District participates in the Santa Barbara County Employees' Retirement System (SBCERS) which negotiates health care contracts with providers for its participating retired members of the Retirement System. Retirees are offered the same health plans as active employees, as well as enhanced senior plans for retirees on Medicare. Retiree premiums are rated separately from active employees; as such, the District does not have a retiree premium implicit rate subsidy.

Pursuant to the OPEB Plan, the District has determined to provide a monthly insurance premium subsidy of \$15 (whole dollars) per year of credited service from the 401(h) account for Eligible Retired Participants participating in the health insurance plan. The monthly insurance premium subsidy is applied directly by the Retirement System to pay the premium and is not paid to the retiree or other party. The maximum amount paid in any month does not exceed the premium; any amount in excess of the premium is forfeited. If an Eligible Retired Participant does not participate in the health insurance plan, then the Retirement System reimburses the Eligible Retired Participant for other medical care expenses. The maximum monthly amount paid is \$4 (whole dollars) per year of credited service.

If a member is eligible for a disability retirement benefit, the member can receive a monthly health plan subsidy of \$187 (whole dollars) per month or a subsidy of \$15 (whole dollars) per month per year of service, whichever is greater. This subsidy is treated as a nontaxable amount to the disabled recipient.

Survivors of Eligible Retired Participants (spouses and dependents) continue to receive a subsidy proportionate to their percentage of the retiree's pension benefit (if any).

Funding Policy – The contribution requirements of plan members and the District are established and may be amended by the District and its board of directors. The required contribution is based on projected pay-as-you-go financing requirements. The District pays 100% of costs on behalf of the eligible participants.

Net OPEB Liability – As of June 30, 2023, the District reported a net OPEB liability of \$155,450. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2022 and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation dated June 30, 2021, updated to June 30, 2022.

Note 6 – <u>Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB)</u> (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions – The total OPEB liability measured as of June 30, 2022 was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Salary increase rate	3% plus an additional longevity and promotion increase compounded based on years of service.
Investment rate of return	7.0%, net of investment expense.
Healthcare cost trend rates	The Healthcare Cost Trend Rate is not applicable because the total cost of health benefits is not valued. Only the monthly benefit provided is valued using the assumption that no future increase will be granted to the amount.
Future retiree plan election	55% - monthly subsidy of \$15 per year of service; 45% - \$4 cash benefit option.
Mortality rates	Mortality rates are based on the sex distinct CalPERS Healthy Annuitant Mortality Tables or CalPERS Disable Annuitant Mortality Tables (as applicable), with generational improvements projected from 2017 using 80% of Projection Scale MP-2020.

The actuarial assumptions used in the valuation as of June 30, 2021, updated to June 30, 2022, were based on 1) the demographic assumptions determined in the actuarial experience study of July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2019 for the Pension Plan, 2) implementation of the OPEB Funding Policy, and 3) current experience for OPEB Plan election by retirees. As the benefit for the OPEB plan is a fixed payment per year of service that is currently lower than the premiums paid for coverage, and is expected to remain so into the future, no age related costs are required to be developed.

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 3.54 percent. The discount rate used at the June 30, 2022 measurement date assumed that contributions will continue based upon the current OPEB Funding Policy. The OPEB plan's long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

Note 6 – <u>Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB)</u> (Continued)

Changes in the Net OPEB Liability – The table below shows the changes in the total OPEB liability, the plan fiduciary net position (i.e. fair value of plan assets), and the net OPEB liability during the measurement period ending on June 30, 2022 for the District's proportionate share.

	al OPEB iability (a)	Fiduciary Position (b)	Net OPEB Liability/(Asse (a) - (b)			
Balance at June 30, 2022						
(Measurement Date June 30, 2021)	\$ 181,159	\$ -	\$	181,159		
Changes Recognized for the Measurement Period:						
Service cost	4,963	-		4,963		
Interest	3,904	-		3,904		
Difference between expected and actual experience	(253)	-		(253)		
Changes of assumptions	(28,523)	-		(28,523)		
Contributions - employer	-	6,072		(6,072)		
Benefit payments	(5,800)	(5,800)		-		
Administrative expense	-	(272)		272		
Net Changes	(25,709)	-		(25,709)		
Balance at June 30, 2023						
(Measurement Date June 30, 2022)	\$ 155,450	\$ -	\$	155,450		

Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following presents the net OPEB liability of the District if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate, for measurement period ended June 30, 2022.

		1%	Γ	Discount		1%
	D	Decrease		Rate]	Increase
		2.54%		3.54%		4.54%
Total OPEB Liability	\$	175,399	\$	155,450	\$	138,794
Plan Fiduciary Net Position		-		-		-
Net OPEB Liability	\$	175,399	\$	155,450	\$	138,794

For the measurement period ended June 30, 2021.

		1%	Γ	Discount		1%		
	Γ	Decrease		Rate	I	ncrease		
		1.16%		2.16%	3.16%			
Total OPEB Liability	\$	207,106	\$	181,159	\$	159,744		
Plan Fiduciary Net Position		-		-		-		
Net OPEB Liability	\$	207,106	\$	181,159	\$	159,744		

Note 6 – <u>Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB)</u> (Continued)

OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position – Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued SBCERS financial report.

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources – For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the District recognized OPEB income of \$4,836. OPEB income /expense represents the change in the net OPEB liability during the measurement period, adjusted for actual contributions and the deferred recognition of changes in investment gain/loss, and actuarial assumptions or method. At June 30, 2023 and 2022, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

		June 30), 2023	3	June 30, 2022						
		ed Outflows Resources		rred Inflows Resources		ed Outflows Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources				
Contributions subsequent to measurement date Differences between expected and	\$	6,043	\$	-	\$	5,990	\$	-			
actual experience		-		(23,215)		-		(33,265)			
Changes in assumptions	19,028			(25,349)		26,945		(9,355)			
	\$	25,071	\$	(48,564)	\$	32,935	\$	(42,620)			

Employer contributions of \$6,043 reported at June 30, 2023 as deferred outflows of resources related to contributions subsequent to measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30:	 Amount
2024	\$ (14,914)
2025	(12,554)
2026	(517)
2027	(517)
2028	(517)
Thereafter	 (517)
	\$ (29,536)

SUMMERLAND SANITARY DISTRICT NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 7 – <u>Risk Management</u>

Insurance and Claims

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; error and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The District, as a member of the Special District Risk Management Authority (SDRMA), has purchased various insurance policies to manage the potential liabilities that may occur from the previously named sources. SDRMA's purpose is to arrange and administer programs of self-insured losses and to purchase excess insurance coverage. At June 30, 2023, the District participated in the liability and property programs of the SDRMA.

Settled claims have not exceeded any of the coverage amounts in any of the last two fiscal years and there were no reductions in the District's insurance coverage during the year ending June 30, 2023. Liabilities are recorded when it is probable that a loss has been incurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated net of the respective insurance coverage. Liabilities include amounts for claims that have been incurred but not reported (IBNR). There was no IBNR claims payable as of June 30, 2023.

Note 8 – <u>Commitments and Contingencies</u>

In the ordinary course of conducting business, various legal matters may be pending, however, in the opinion of the District's management, the ultimate disposition of these matters will have no significant impact on the financial position of the District.

The District has been notified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that it is considered a Potentially Responsible Party to the Casmalia Disposal Site (Site), an inactive commercial hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facility. The District is one among thousands of waste generators that contributed waste to the Site.

On January 2, 2000, the EPA made a *de minims* settlement offer to the District and other former customers of the Site. The settlement is being offered to waste contributors of the minimal amounts of waste in comparison to the other waste at the Site, and of the minimal amounts of toxic or other hazardous effects of the waste in comparison to other waste at the Site. The EPA has offered the *de minims* parties the opportunity to fully resolve their liability in exchange for cash payments based on the volume of waste sent to the Site each year.

The District, along with the other members represented in the *de minims* settlement offer, has not yet accepted the EPA's offer. The *de minims* group has uncovered numerous deficiencies in the proposed settlement offer that need to be addressed. Consequently, the *de minims* group has proposed a counter settlement offer, which the District believes the EPA will accept. This liability for the District was estimated not to exceed \$153,000 which was accrued and recorded by the District.

Note 9 – Significant Non-Cash Capital and Related Financing Activities

The District accrued \$343,541 of capital related expenses for the ocean outfall rehabilitation project that was included in account payable as of June 30, 2022.

Note 10 - <u>Subsequent Events</u>

Subsequent events have been evaluated through January 11, 2024 the date that the financial statements were available to be issued.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SUMMERLAND SANITARY DISTRICT SANTA BARBARA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM SCHEDULE OF SUMMERLAND SANITARY DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY Last 10 Years*

		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019		2018		2017		2016		2015
Valuation date	Ju	ne 30, 2021	Ju	ne 30, 2020	J	une 30, 2019	Ju	ine 30, 2018	Ju	ine 30, 2017	Ju	ne 30, 2016	Ju	ine 30, 2015	Ju	ne 30, 2014	Ju	ne 30, 2013
Measurement date	Ju	ne 30, 2022	Ju	ne 30, 2021	J	une 30, 2020	Ju	ine 30, 2019	Ju	ine 30, 2018	Ju	ne 30, 2017	Ju	ne 30, 2016	Ju	ne 30, 2015	Ju	ne 30, 2014
Proportion of the net pension liability		0.0955%		0.0909%		0.0988%		0.1062%		0.0982%		0.0865%		0.0880%		0.0881%		0.0935%
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	710,861	\$	429,186	\$	1,043,070	\$	906,106	\$	848,594	\$	813,766	\$	739,828	\$	641,040	\$	570,666
Covered payroll	\$	397,580	\$	398,183	\$	418,370	\$	433,121	\$	388,149	\$	347,798	\$	337,744	\$	328,613	\$	338,923
Proportionate share of the net pension liability as percentage of covered payroll		178.8%		107.8%		249.3%		209.2%		218.6%		234.0%		219.0%		195.1%		168.4%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		84.0%		89.4%		75.2%		78.9%		77.6%		74.9%		75.2%		77.7%		80.5%

Notes to Schedule:

Benefit Changes: The figures above do not include any liability impact that may have resulted from plan changes which occurred after the June 30, 2022 measurement date.

Net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll demonstrates the relative size of the unfunded liability by expressing it in terms of current personnel expenditures.

* Fiscal year 2015 was the 1st year of implementation.

SUMMERLAND SANITARY DISTRICT SANTA BARBARA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM SCHEDULE OF SUMMERLAND SANITARY DISTRICT'S CONTRIBUTIONS

Last 10 Years*

_	2023	2022		2021		2020		2019		2018	2017		2016		2015
Contractually required contribution (actuarially determined)	133,736	\$ 160,009	\$	135,385	\$	146,781	\$	141,649	\$	121,519	\$	108,337	\$	103,582	\$ 98,716
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	133,736	\$ 160,009	\$	135,385	\$	146,781	\$	141,649	\$	121,519	\$	108,337	\$	103,582	\$ 98,716
Contribution deficiency (excess)	-	-		-		-		-		-		-		-	-
Covered payroll	420,228	\$ 397,580	\$	398,183	\$	418,370	\$	433,121	\$	388,149	\$	347,798	\$	337,744	\$ 328,613
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	31.82%	40.25%		34.00%		35.08%		32.70%		31.31%		31.15%		30.67%	30.04%

Notes to Schedule:

The actuarial methods and assumptions used to set the actuarially determined contributions for fiscal year 2022-23 were derived from the June 30, 2020 valuation report.

* Fiscal year 2015 was the 1st year of implementation.

SUMMERLAND SANITARY DISTRICT OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) PLAN SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE NET OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS Last 10 Years*

	La	st 10	Y ears*				
	2023		2022	 2021	 2020	2019	 2018
Total OPEB Liability							
Service cost	\$ 4,963	\$	4,791	\$ 5,410	\$ 5,741	\$ 5,464	\$ 6,437
Interest on the total OPEB liability	3,904		4,566	6,161	6,281	5,937	5,013
Difference between expected and actual experience	(253)		(30,662)	(9,505)	(1,439)	(4,575)	-
Changes of assumptions	(28,523)		1,168	34,134	7,982	(5,964)	(16,507)
Benefit payments	 (5,800)		(5,800)	 (4,835)	(4,513)	 (4,513)	 (4,614)
Net change in the total OPEB liability	(25,709)		(25,937)	31,365	14,052	(3,651)	(9,671)
Total OPEB liability - beginning	 181,159	·	207,096	 175,731	 161,679	165,330	 175,001
Total OPEB liability - ending (a)	\$ 155,450	\$	181,159	\$ 207,096	\$ 175,731	\$ 161,679	\$ 165,330
Plan Fiduciary Net Position							
Contributions - employer	\$ 6,072	\$	6,045	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,688	\$ 4,731	\$ 4,847
Net investment income	-		-	-	-	-	-
Benefit payments	(5,800)		(5,800)	(4,835)	(4,513)	(4,513)	(4,614)
Administrative expenses	(272)		(245)	(165)	(175)	(218)	(233)
Net change in the plan fiduciary net position	 -		-	 -	 -	 -	-
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	-		-	-	-	-	-
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Net OPEB liability - ending (a) - (b)	\$ 155,450	\$	181,159	\$ 207,096	\$ 175,731	\$ 161,679	\$ 165,330
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	0.00%		0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 181,770	\$	176,136	\$ 418,370	\$ 433,121	\$ 388,149	\$ 347,798
Net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	85.52%		102.85%	49.50%	40.57%	41.65%	47.54%
Measurement date Valuation date	une 30, 2022 une 30, 2021		une 30, 2021 une 30, 2020	une 30, 2020 une 30, 2019	une 30, 2019 une 30, 2018	une 30, 2018 une 30, 2017	ine 30, 2017 ine 30, 2016

Notes to Schedule:

* Historical information is required only for measurement periods for which GASB 75 is applicable. Future years' information will be displayed up to 10 years as information becomes available.