

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



ITEM: 3.8
(ID # 27942)

MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, June 10, 2025

FROM : EXECUTIVE OFFICE

SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE OFFICE: Approval of Salton Sea Authority Member Assessment FY25/26, 4th District. [\$200,000 - 100% Department Budget]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the member assessment recommendation of the Salton Sea Authority,
2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to send a copy of the Minute Order to the Salton Sea Authority.

ACTION:Policy

Juan C. Perez, Chief Operating Officer

6/5/2025

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Gutierrez, seconded by Supervisor Washington and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Medina, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: June 10, 2025
xc: E.O., Salton Sea Authority

Kimberly A. Rector
Clerk of the Board
By:
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$0
NET COUNTY COST	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: 100% Executive Office Budget			Budget Adjustment: No	
			For Fiscal Year: 25/26	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

Created in 1993 the Salton Sea Authority (SSA) is a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) responsible for working in consultation and cooperation with the State of California to oversee the comprehensive restoration of the Salton Sea. Although the SSA and its partner agencies recognize the state and federal roles and responsibilities at the Salton Sea, the SSA asserts a leadership role to ensure local priorities are recognized. Current organization members of the JPA consist of the County of Riverside, County of Imperial, Imperial Irrigation District, Coachella Valley Water District, and the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians.

The SSA's FY25/26 budget was approved by their governing Board with a recommendation to keep member assessments at \$200,000 per year for each organization. This will result in a \$0 net increase from the previous fiscal year.

ATTACHMENTS:

Copy of SSA FY25/26 Budget

May 27, 2025

Douglas Ordonez
Riverside County Executive Office



Via email to: dordonez@rivco.org

Dear Mr. Ordonez,

On May 22nd at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of the Salton Sea Authority (the "Authority") a "Proposed Budget" was presented to the Authority Board. At that time, the Board reviewed and approved the budget as presented, and in so doing directed staff to distribute statements for member contributions for fiscal year 2025/2026.

We are pleased to report that member contributions for the current period remain unchanged from last year. Enclosed you will find a copy of the approved budget and a statement for member contributions for the County of Riverside in the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00).

Please let us know if you have any questions regarding the enclosed budget and billing statement and thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "G. Patrick O'Dowd", is written over a horizontal line.

G. Patrick O'Dowd
Executive Director / General Manager

Enclosures

Cc: Secretary Yxstian Gutierrez
Director V. Manuel Perez

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**Salton Sea Authority
Review Draft Budget**

FY 2025/26

	A	B	C	D	E	F
	FY 24/25 Adopted Budget General Fund	FY 24/25 Projected FYE General Fund	FY 25/26 Draft Budget General Fund	FY 24/25 Adopted Budget Grant Funds	FY 24/25 Projected YTD Grant Funds	FY 25/26 Draft Budget Grant Funds
1 REVENUE						
2 Local Government/Member Assessments	\$ 800,000	\$ 800,000	\$ 800,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
3 Tribal Contribution (Voluntary)	-	10,000	-			
4						
5 Grants and Other Reimbursements to General Fund	30,000	30,000	44,300			
6						
7 Other Federal/State/Local Reimbursements	10,000	-				
8 Partner Support			375,000			
9 Stakeholder Support			150,000			
10						
11 Sponsorships	10,000	-	10,000			
12			-			
13 GRANT PROJECT REVENUES						
14 Department of Water Resources-North Lake Demonstration				2,000,000	TBD	WIP
15 Bureau of Reclamation-Desert Shores Revitalization				750,000	TBD	WIP
16 TOTAL REVENUE	850,000	840,000	1,379,300	2,750,000	-	-
17						
18 EXPENSES						
19 SSA ADMINISTRATION						
20 Employee Salaries and Benefits						
25 Total Employee Salaries	225,900	231,739	238,995			
26 Total Employee Benefits	127,000	120,060	126,574			
27 Total Salaries and Benefits	352,900	351,799	365,569			
28						
29 Contract and Professional Services						
30 DC Advocates	89,600	88,200	89,600			
31 Sacramento Advocate	84,000	84,000	84,000			
32 Attorney Fees	59,400	36,000	48,000			
33 Audit & Accounting	62,000	74,000	75,000			
34 Other Contract Services	17,400	-	60,000			
35 Total Contract and Professional Services	312,400	282,200	356,600			
36						
37 Other General & Administrative Expenses						
38 Standard Business Travel /Mileage	50,000	42,000	35,000			
39 Conferences/Seminars/Summits			15,000			
40 Technical Support and Maintenance	5,100	4,600	5,600			
41 Non-capitalized Office Equipment	8,000	5,000	5,000			
42 Insurance	13,000	11,700	14,000			
43 Office Expenses / Operating Supplies		100				
44 Office Expenses / Operating Supplies		2,200				
45 Office -Operating Supplies	8,700	5,000	5,400			
46 Office - Licenses and User Fees	5,400	4,800	5,400			
47 Operating Expenses / County Charges	5,400	9,000	6,000			
48 Offsite Meetings Support and Usage	3,600	3,600	3,600			
49 Dues & Subscriptions	10,000	8,600	10,000			
50 Interest Expense	1,500	1,300	-			
51 Rent	18,000	14,400	17,400			
52 Utilities	6,000	4,200	4,000			
53 Total Other General & Administrative Expenses	134,700	116,500	126,400			
54						
55 TOTAL SSA ADMINISTRATION	800,000	750,499	848,569			
56						
57 GRANT EXPENSES						
58 Department of Water Resources-North Lake Demonstration				1,976,000	-	-
59 Bureau of Reclamation-Desert Shores Revitalization				744,000	-	-
60 Reimbursement to General Fund				30,000	-	-
61						
62 TOTAL GRANT EXPENSES	-	-	-	2,750,000	-	-
63						
64 TOTAL EXPENSES	800,000	750,499	848,569	2,750,000	-	-
65						
66 NET REVENUE / (EXPENSES)	\$ 50,000	\$ 89,501	\$ 530,731	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Net of Partner and Stakeholder Support **\$ 5,731**

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@ 8:58:57 AM

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Invoice



BILL TO
County of Riverside Attn: Douglas Ordonez Riverside County Executive Office 4080 Lemon St, 4th Floor Riverside CA 92501

INVOICE #	DATE	TOTAL DUE	DUE DATE	TERMS	ENCLOSED
FY 25.26-1	05/27/2025	\$200,000.00	06/30/2025	Net 30	

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
FY 2025-2026 Assessment	200,000.00