

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



**ITEM: 3.7  
(ID # 30647)**

**MEETING DATE:**  
Tuesday, June 09, 2026

**FROM :** EXECUTIVE OFFICE

**SUBJECT:** EXECUTIVE OFFICE: Approval of Salton Sea Authority Member Assessment FY26/27, 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**

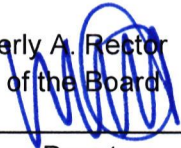
  
Jeff Van Wagenen, County Executive Officer 6/2/2026

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Medina, seconded by Supervisor Perez 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 9, 2026  
xc: EO, Salton Sea Authority

Kimberly A. Rector  
Clerk of the Board  
By:   
Deputy

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<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	<b>Current Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Next Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>Ongoing Cost</b>
<b>COST</b>	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$0
<b>NET COUNTY COST</b>	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$0
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b> 100% Executive Office Budget			<b>Budget Adjustment:</b> No	
			<b>For Fiscal Year:</b> 26/27	

**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 FY26/27 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 FY26/27 Budget**

May 22, 2026

Douglas Ordonez  
Riverside County Executive Office

Via email to: dordonez@rivco.org



Dear Mr. Ordonez,

On May 21st at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Salton Sea Authority (the "Authority") Board of Directors of "Proposed Budget" was presented to the Authority Board for consideration. At that time, the Board reviewed and approved the budget as presented, and in so doing instructed staff to distribute statements for member contributions for fiscal year 2026/2027. We are pleased to report that member contributions for the current period remain once again 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: Director Yxstian Gutierrez  
Director V. Manuel Perez

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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 26.27-4	05/22/2026	\$200,000.00	06/30/2026	Net 30	

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
FY 2026-2027 Assessment	200,000.00

**Salton Sea Authority**  
**Final Draft Budget**  
**FY 2026/27**

		<b>FY 26/27 Proposed General Fund Budget</b>	<b>FY 25/26 Trailing 12 Actuals</b>	<b>FY 25/26 Adopted Budget General Fund</b>	<b>Excess FY25/26 over budget</b>
<b>Revenue</b>					
1	4000 Local Gov/Member Assessments	610,000	800,000	800,000	-
2	4005 Grant Funding			-	-
3	4006 Grants & Other Reimbursements to General Fund	310,000	11,459	44,300	(32,841)
4	4091 Sponsorships	24,000	10,000	10,000	-
5	4092 Other Fed/State/Local Reimb.	80,000	-	525,000	(525,000)
6	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 1,024,000</b>	<b>\$ 821,459</b>	<b>\$ 1,379,300</b>	<b>\$ (557,841)</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
7	<b>Administration</b>				-
8	Total Employee Salaries	338,929	238,504	238,750	(246)
9	Total Employee Benefits	177,034	118,646	126,452	(7,806)
10	<b>Total Salaries and Benefits</b>	<b>\$ 515,963</b>	<b>\$ 357,150</b>	<b>\$ 365,202</b>	<b>\$ (8,052)</b>
11	<b>6000 Contract Service / Professional</b>				
12	6100 Finance / CPA	75,000	53,505	75,000	(21,495)
13	6103 DC Advocates	120,000	80,850	89,600	(8,750)
14	6104 Sacramento Advocate	96,000	77,000	84,000	(7,000)
15	6110 Outreach & Engagement (Other Contract Services)	40,000	53,988	60,000	(6,013)
16	6201 Attorney - General	18,000	29,014	48,000	(18,986)
17	6202 Attorney - Legislative	24,000			-
18	6300 Equipment Maintenance	5,000	4,410	4,989	(579)
19	6310 Office Equipment and Furniture < \$5,000	3,500	1,715	5,000	(3,285)
20	6325 Insurance	16,500	15,189	10,933	4,257
21	6330 Office Exp/Operating Supplies	5,000	6,407	5,400	1,007
22	6335 Office Exp/Online Services (Licenses & User Fees)	4,000	1,553	4,053	(2,500)
23	6340 Postage, Mail	200	180		180
24	6350 Dues, Subscriptions	12,000	11,637	10,000	1,637
25	6355 Communications		(209)		(209)
26	6360 Interest Expense - RIVCO Investment		(513)	1,300	(1,813)
27	6365 Rent	18,000	15,022	17,400	(2,378)
28	6366 Repair and Service Maintenance	1,200			-
29	6370 Travel/Mileage	42,000	40,648	35,000	5,648
30	6375 Conferences/Seminars	12,000	5,645	<b>15,000</b>	(9,355)
31	6380 Public Relations		125		125
32	6400 Operating Expenses/County Charges	3,800	2,538	6,000	(3,462)
33	6403 Technical Support - General	4,800	1,576	5,600	(4,024)
34	6407 Communications & Outreach (Offsite Mtgs Support)	3,600	2,713	3,600	(887)
35	6420 Utilities	2,400	1,586	4,000	(2,414)
36	<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,022,963</b>	<b>\$ 761,731</b>	<b>\$ 850,077</b>	<b>\$ (88,346)</b>
37	<b>Net Revenue / (Expenses)</b>	<b>\$ 1,037</b>	<b>\$ 59,728</b>	<b>\$ 529,223</b>	<b>\$ (469,495)</b>
<b>Grant Administration</b>					
38	<b>Grant Reimbursements</b>				
39	4010 Grant Funding - CDWR (NLPDP)	200,000	1,042,680	2,044,300	(1,001,620)
40	4015 Grant Funding - USBR (Desert Shores)	500,000	287,991	750,000	(462,009)
41	4016 Grant Funding - USBR (IRA)	500,000			
42	<b>Grant Revenues Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,200,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,330,671</b>	<b>\$ 2,794,300</b>	<b>\$ (1,463,629)</b>
43	<b>Grant Expenditures</b>				
44	5010 Grant Funding - CDWR (NLPDP)	120,000	1,031,221	2,000,000	(968,779)
45	5015 Grant Funding - USBR (Desert Shores)	470,000	287,991	750,000	(462,009)
46	5016 Grant Funding - USBR (IRA/CO River)	300,000			
47	<b>Grant Expenditures Total</b>	<b>\$ 890,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,319,212</b>	<b>\$ 2,750,000</b>	<b>\$ (1,430,788)</b>
48	<b>Net Grant Receipts (see line 3)</b>	<b>\$ 310,000</b>	<b>\$ 11,459</b>	<b>\$ 44,300</b>	<b>\$ (32,841)</b>