

BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
INDIAN WELLS VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

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FINANCE COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING

REPORT

TUESDAY APRIL 2, 2024 – 2:30 PM  
BOARD ROOM  
500 W. RIDGECREST BLVD., RIDGECREST

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ATTENDEES: David Saint-Amand, Ron Kicinski, George Croll, Ty Staheli, Jason Lillion, and Renee Morquecho

**1. Call to Order**

The Finance Committee Meeting was called to order at 2:30 pm.

**2. Committee/Public Comments**

None.

**3. Fraud Risk Discussion**

Description: Discuss potential or actual fraud risks within the organization.

None to report.

**4. Northwest Transmission Line Funding**

Description: Discussion on funding for the replacement of the Inyokern Road Transmission Line.

The proceeds from the sale of revenue bonds, approximately \$7.5 million, are with the trustee, Bank of America, and available for use.

The agreement with the State of California for the \$3 million towards the transmission line has been executed and ready to be drawn down as the project advances.

**5. GA Imported Water Costs**

Description: Discuss imported water costs and potential impact to customers' bills

Staff continues develop an accurate cost matrix inclusive of all associated costs to estimate impacts on customers.

Staff has been working with Clean Energy Capital and Kreiger & Stewart to develop the costs associated with the proposed pipeline design. Staff has also met with the Groundwater Authority in regards to a proposed option for partial or total imported water deep well injection.

**6. Financial Statements March 31, 2024 (preliminary)**

Description: Presentation to Committee financial reports and graphs depicting current revenue and expense trends compared to budget and previous fiscal year actuals.

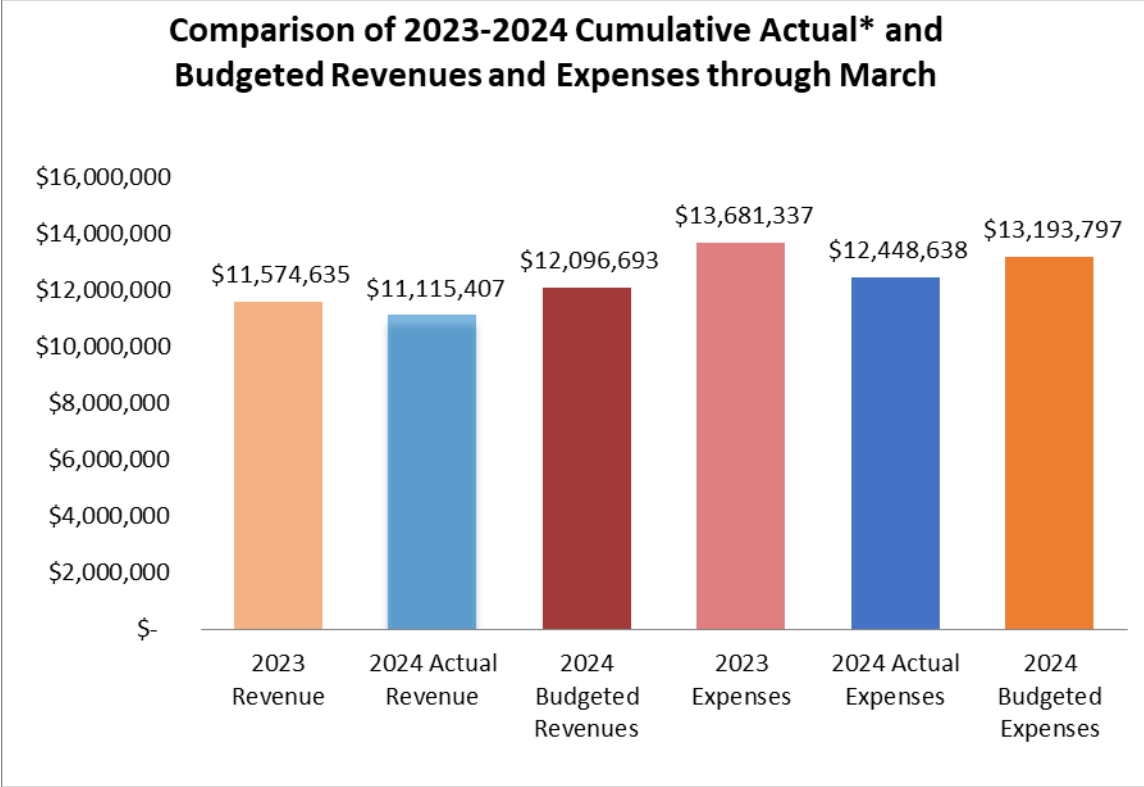
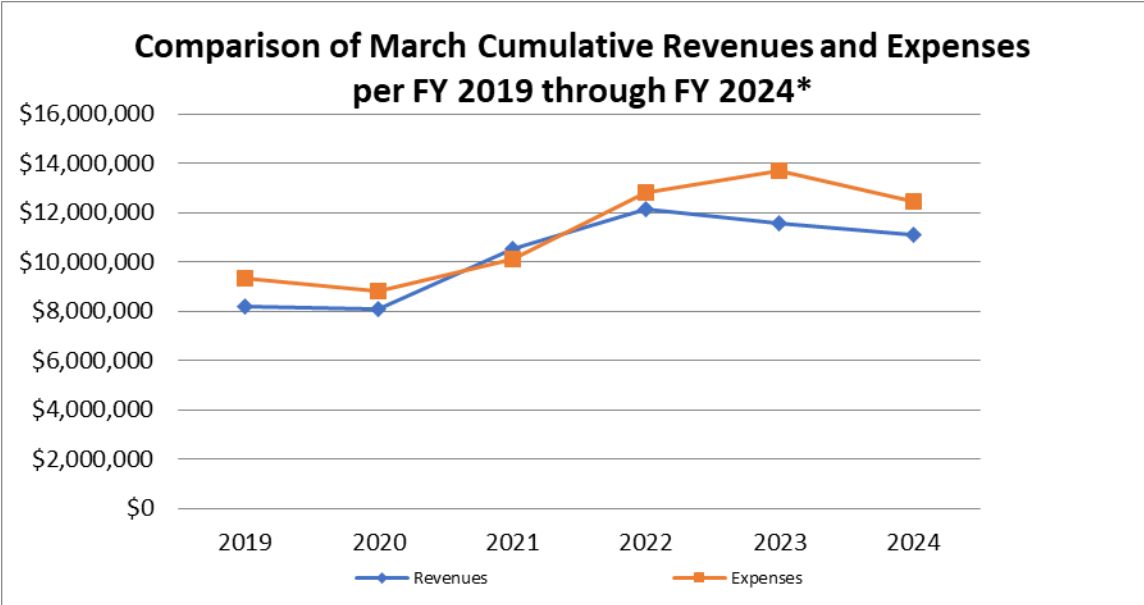
Estimated year-to-date revenues as of March 31, 2024, are \$11,115,407 and expenses are \$12,448,638, therefore expenditures exceeded revenues by \$1,333,231, which is over budget by \$236,127.

To date, the District has paid the Groundwater Authority \$13,775,255 in fees.

Staff presented the following spreadsheet, which compares March year-to-date actual to budgeted revenues and expenses by category:

**Indian Wells Valley Water District  
 Revenues vs. Expense  
 Actuals & Budget through March 2024 (Preliminary)**

	Budget	Actuals	Δ
<b>Revenues</b>			
Total Water Sales	8,766,641	8,445,529	-321,112
GSA Fees	2,744,876	1,942,503	-802,373
Total Water Service Revenue	267,340	316,755	49,415
Total Non-Operating Income	195,224	159,649	-35,575
Capital Contributions	122,611	250,971	128,360
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>12,096,693</b>	<b>11,115,407</b>	<b>-981,286</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Water Supply	901,496	1,061,879	160,383
Arsenic Treatment Plants	307,768	186,201	-121,567
Transmission & Distribution	1,535,268	1,244,235	-291,033
Engineering	369,694	388,026	18,332
Customer Service	360,911	254,143	-106,768
Field Services	384,989	419,580	34,590
General & Administration	1,938,302	1,878,137	-60,165
Legal	595,440	875,811	280,371
Legislative	71,304	63,236	-8,068
Depreciation	2,475,000	2,475,000	0
Non-Operating, Interest	1,028,424	1,101,633	73,209
Non-Operating, Miscellaneous	200,961	402,497	201,536
GSA Fees	2,930,309	2,015,524	-914,786
Non-Operating, Conservation	25,455	25,422	-33
Non-Operating, Alternate Water	68,476	57,313	-11,162
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>13,193,797</b>	<b>12,448,638</b>	<b>-745,159</b>
<b>Net Revenue Increase (Decrease)</b>	<b>-1,097,104</b>	<b>-1,333,231</b>	<b>-236,127</b>
<b>Capital Expenditures</b>		<b>1,972,258</b>	
<b>Debt Service Principle</b>		<b>833,748</b>	
<b>Total GSA Extraction Fee Paid</b>		2,519,207	
<b>Total GSA Replenishment Fee Paid</b>		11,256,048	
		<b>13,775,255</b>	



\*Actual Revenues and Expenses are Estimated

**7. Accounts Payable Disbursements**

Description: Presentation to Committee of Accounts Payable Disbursements reports for Board approval.

The Committee recommended approval of accounts payable disbursements totaling \$1,012,189.97 as follows:

Checks through:	<u>3/14/24</u>	<u>3/28/24</u>
Prepaid	\$ 56,760.22	\$ 75,945.71
Current	<u>587,774.18</u>	<u>217,283.06</u>
Total	<u>\$ 644,534.40</u>	<u>\$ 293,228.77</u>

**8. Future Agenda Items**

None

**9. Adjournment**

The Committee adjourned at 2:41 pm.