

City Council Workshop October 11, 2021

Overview

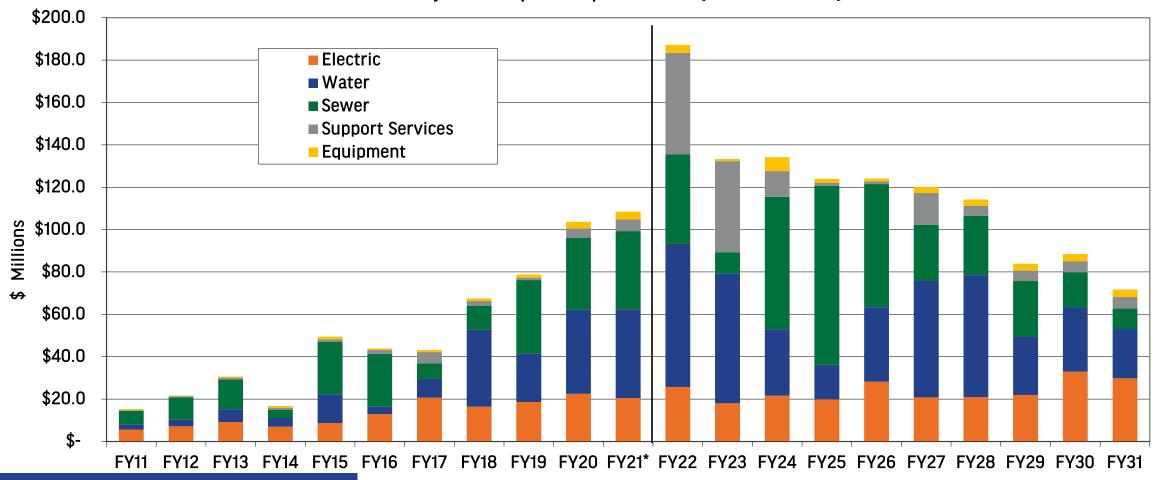
- Capital Projects
- Water Supply
- NBU Facilities
- Winter Storm Uri
- ERCOT and PUCT
- Rates



CAPITAL PROJECTS

Capital Expenditures - Historical & Projected

Historical and Projected Capital Expenditures (FY 2011 - 2031)

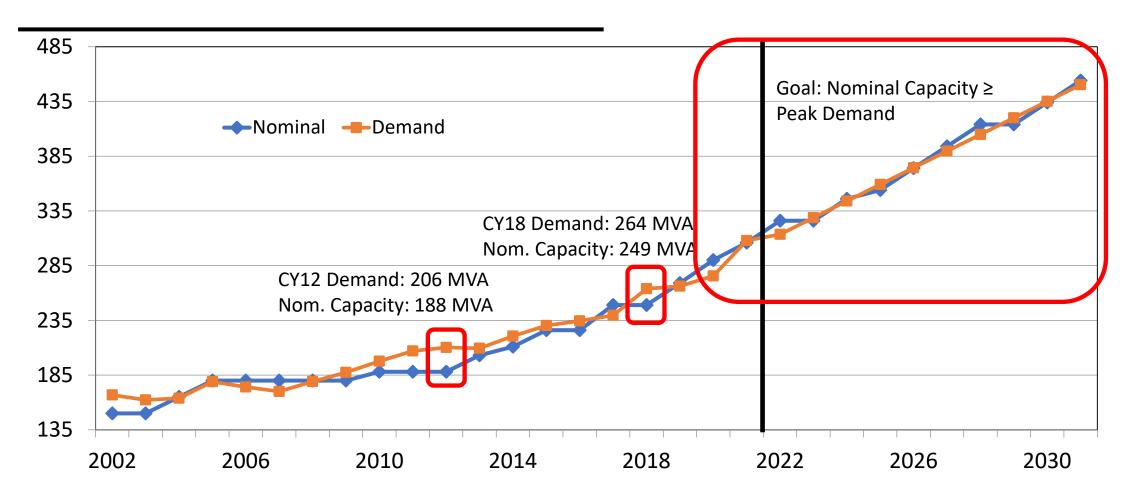




Electric

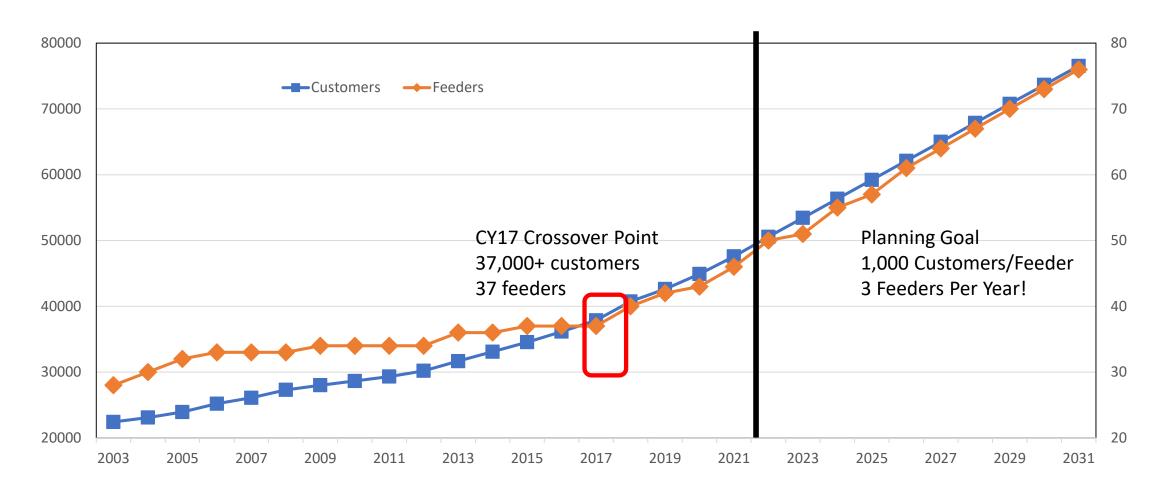


System Demand vs. Nominal Capacity Demand in MVA, Full Growth Outlook





Customer Count vs. Feeder Count Full Growth Outlook



Key Electric Projects – Completed







TXI T1 Replacement



Key Electric Projects – In Progress

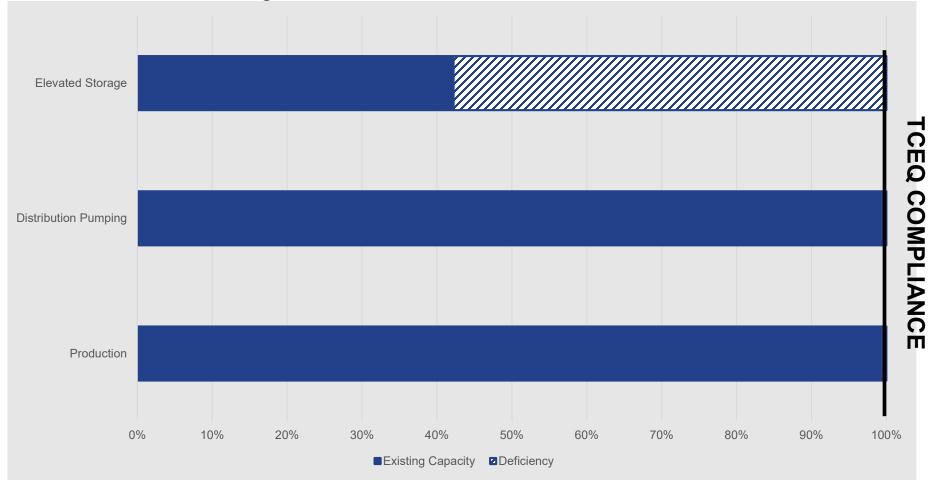






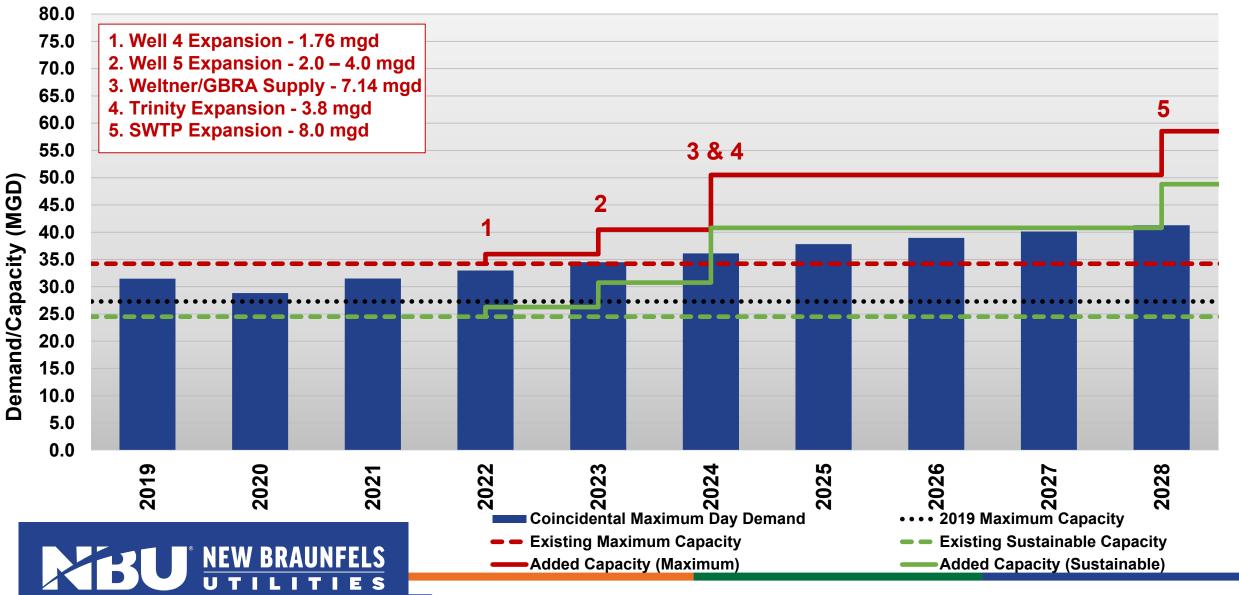
Water/Wastewater

Capacity vs. Compliance – Water

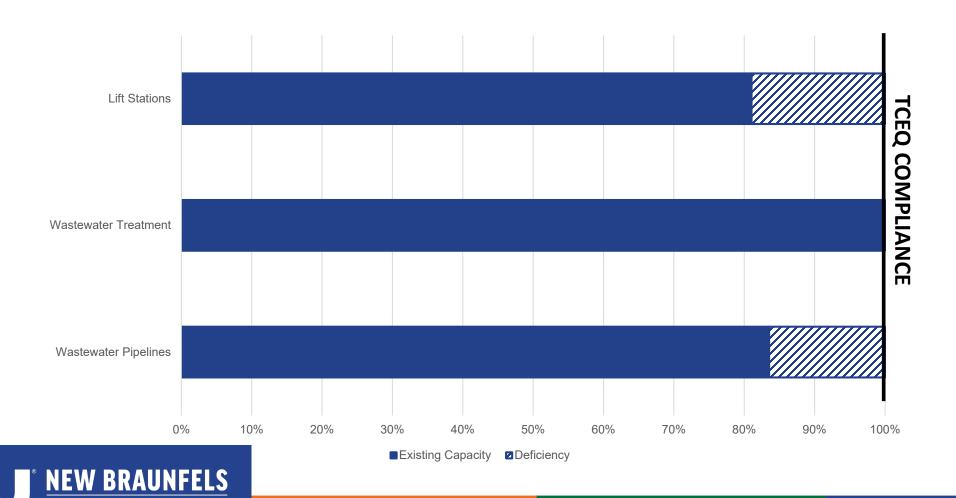




Water Production Evaluation



Capacity vs. Compliance – Wastewater





Completed W/WW Projects



SWTP Clarifier No. 1 & 2 \$2.8M



Green Valley PS \$2.0M



San Antonio St Rehab, Ph 2 (CNB) \$3.1M



Elizabeth Ave WL \$258K



AWIA Risk Assessment



Alves W/WW Improvements (CNB) \$2.5M







Microtunnel

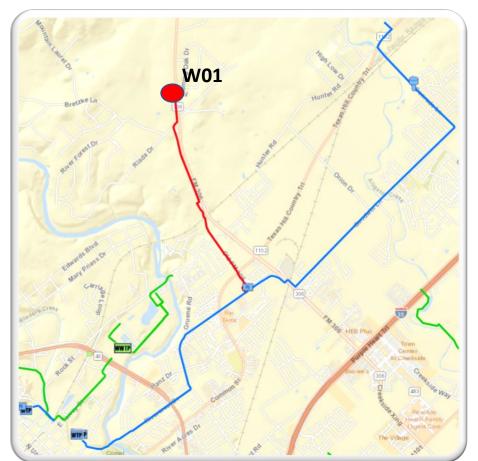
N. Kuehler 30"/33" Interceptor Phase 2



Castell Avenue Water Main









Tank Rendering – Color

Bretzke Water Supply Project (BP1 - Tank & Pump Station)

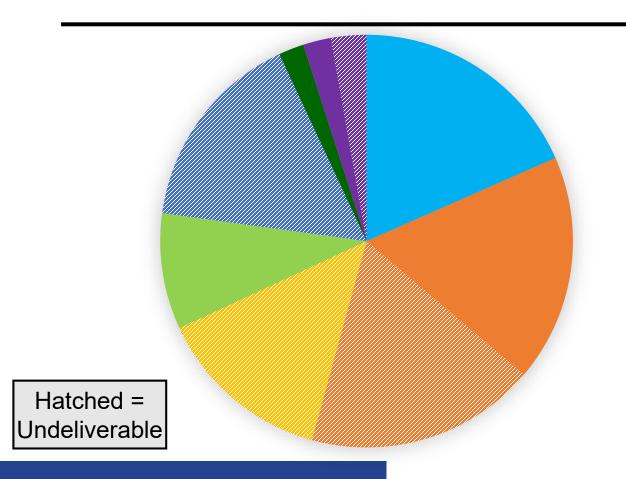


Oakbrook EST & Veramendi EST



WATER SUPPLY

Water Supply Portfolio

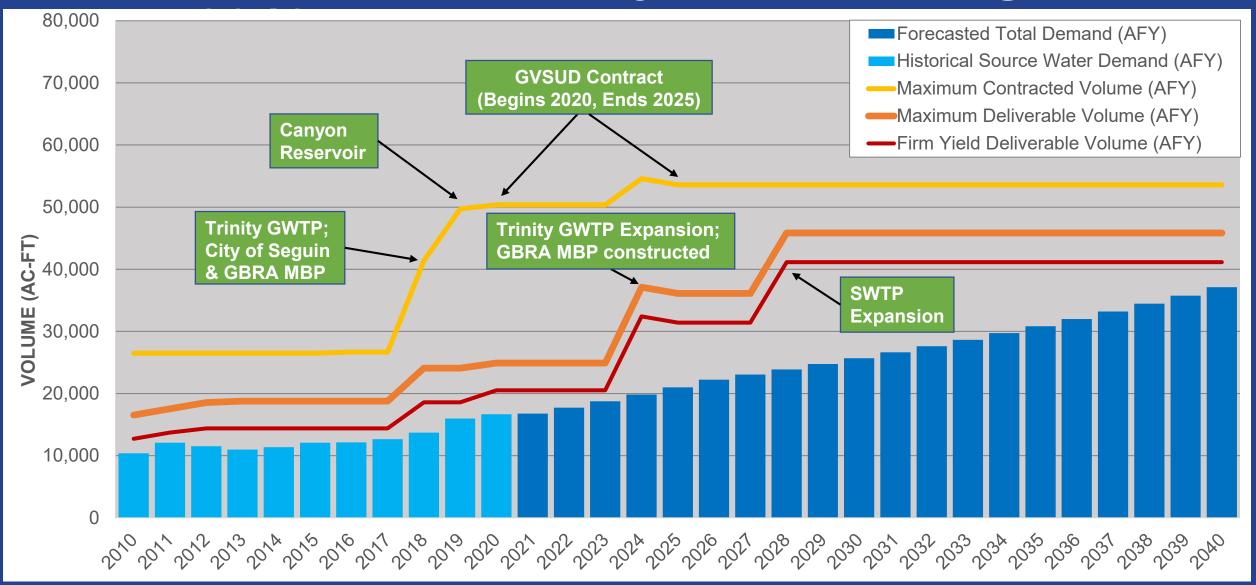


- Edwards Aquifer (\$207 per ac-ft) = 18%
- Canyon Reservoir (\$529 per ac-ft) = 36%
- Run of River (\$390 per ac-ft) = 14%
- Trinity Aquifer (\$499 per ac-ft) = 9%
- GBRA Mid-Basin (\$1470 per ac-ft) = 16%
- GVSUD (\$207 per ac-ft) = 2%
- City of Seguin (\$1039 per ac-ft) = 5%

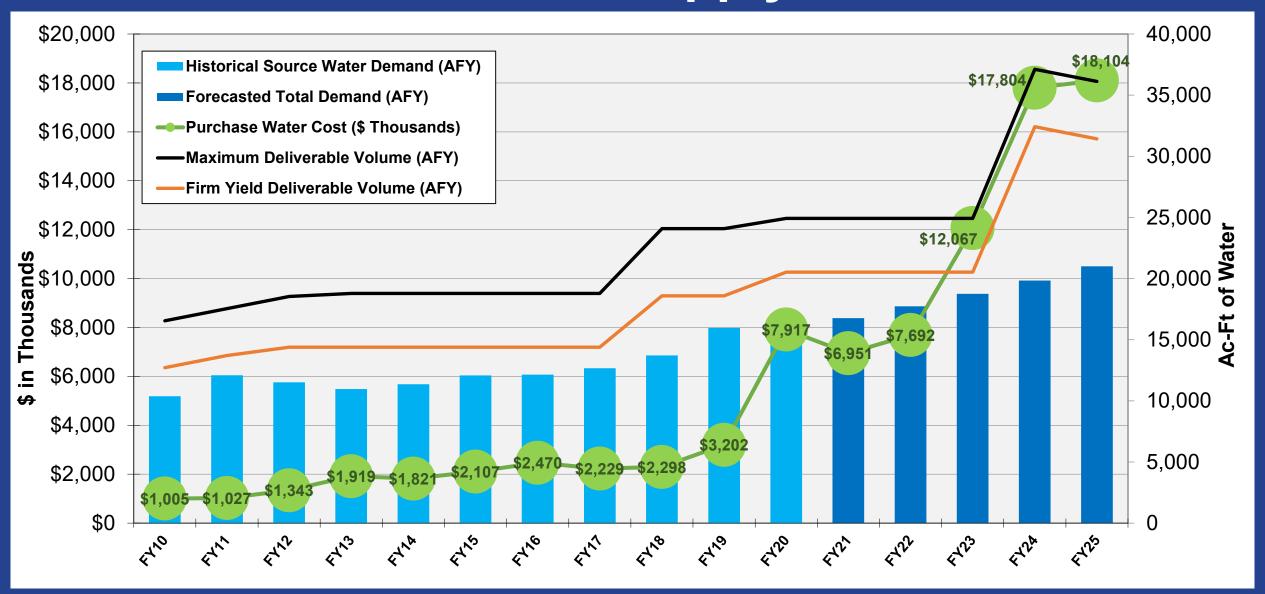


Max Volume Contracted, as of 2021 – 50,375 AFY Max Volume Deliverable, as of 2021 – 24,920 AFY

NBU Water Supply – 2010 through 2040



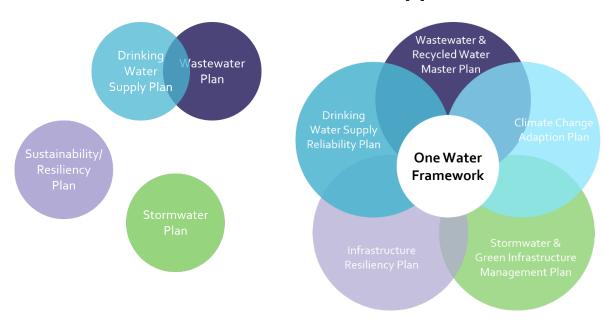
NBU Water Supply Costs



One Water

- One Water is an integrated planning and implementation approach to managing finite water resources for long-term resilience and reliability, meeting both community and ecosystem needs.
- In June, 2021 a presentation was made to the NBU Board on the cumulative efforts of The City, GBRA and NBU staff to create a One Water roadmap for the New Braunfels area.

Traditional versus One Water Approach





NBU FACILITIES

NBU Main Plaza

3/23/2020 - Overlay District Approved

1/11/2021 - Issued Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

3/17/2021 - Shortlisted three respondents

5/24/2021 - Issued Request for Proposals (RFP)

7/28/2021 - Proposals Received

10/20/2021 - Interviews/make selection



Service Center





Construction coordination is ongoing with the City of New Braunfels for Fire Station #7 and Fire Training. Anticipate construction start in 2022.



NBU Headquarters

- Currently in Design
- Anticipate
 Construction
 Starting in
 Spring 2022





Coreth Caverns





WINTER STORM URI

Update on Uri Recovery

- \$94M in storm cost recovery planned through March, 2022
- \$124M funding of Power Stabilization Fund planned through 2026
 - ➤ Built into budget and financial operating plan
- Adoption of short-term hedging framework
 - ➤ Mitigates some risk of hedging in the ERCOT market



Bond Rating Action - Winter Storm Uri

ERCOT Operating Risk Revealed by Extreme Weather and Price Volatility

- Heightened risk and frequency of extreme weather events in winter and summer
- Potential for power price volatility related to scarcity pricing for RT and DAM
- Insufficient incentive to add reserve capacity to meet surges in demand
- Lack of interconnectivity to the rest of the US power grid which challenges the ability of participants to respond to ERCOT disruptions
- Entities will face increased financial pressures due to these events
- Entities must plan for, mitigate, or adapt to these risks
- Necessitates increased levels of liquidity



Bond Rating Action - Winter Storm Uri

Bond Ratings

- 08/26/2021: S&P affirmed NBU's A+ rating; outlook negative
- 08/05/2021: Fitch affirmed NBU's AA rating; outlook negative
- 04/19/2021: S&P downgraded NBU's rating from AA to A+; credit watch negative
- 03/09/2021: Moody's affirmed NBU's Aa1 rating; outlook negative
- 02/24/2021: Fitch placed NBU's AA rating on rating watch negative



Fitch Bond Rating Comparisons - Winter Storm Uri

| Entity | Pre Winter Storm Uri | Post Winter Storm Uri |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Austin Energy | AA | AA |
| New Braunfels Utilities | AA | AA |
| | | |
| Bryan | AA- | AA- |
| CPS Energy | AA+ | AA- |
| Garland | AA | AA- |
| Lower Colorado River Authority | AA- | AA- |
| Pedernales Electric Cooperative | AA- | AA- |
| | | |
| Brownsville | A+ | A+ |
| Guadalupe Valley Electric Cooperative | AA- | A+ |
| Denton | A+ | А |
| | , | |
| Seguin | A+ | A- |



ERCOT AND PUC

ERCOT and Public Utility Commission of TX (PUCT)

- ERCOT Reliability Roadmap
- Market Design Reform
 - PUCT and ERCOT are taking a reliability first approach to market design
 - PUCT hopes to have a market design blueprint by end of year
- ERCOT prices will most likely rise as the market adopts changes and the risk premium is absorbed
- Rating Agencies: "Legislative reforms insufficient to eliminate ERCOT risks"



NBU RATE PLAN

FY 2022-2023 Current Rate Plan

Water Rate Design

- FY 2022-2023 Base Rate Increase: 8.0%, 8.0%
- FY 2022-2023 Water Supply Fee (WSF): \$2.49, \$2.79 (per thousand gallons)
- Removed WSF from Residential Essential Use (first 7,500 gallons)

Sewer Rate Design

- FY 2022-2023: 13.0%, 13.0%
- Updated Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) & Total Suspended Solids (TSS) Surcharges

Electric Rate Design

- FY 2022-2023: 1.7%, 3.3%
- Distribution Component (which includes delivery and customer charges)



Next Rate Plan

Inputs to Rate Plan

- Electric/Water/Wastewater Cost of Service Studies
- Workforce Planning Study
- Water Resource Plan
- Water/Wastewater Master Plan
- Impact Fee Study
- Asset Management Plan
- Technology Roadmap
- Project Resource Plan
- 20-Year Forecast (Growth, Revenue, Expense, and Funding)

Timeline

October 2021- March 2023: Develop all inputs

April 2023: City Council Consideration of Rate Plan

August 1, 2023: Rates effective



Preliminary Long Term Revenue Requirements

| FY 2022 |
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| FY 2023 |
| FY 2024 |
| FY 2025 |
| FY 2026 |
| FY 2027 |
| FY 2028 |
| FY 2029 |
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| FY 2040 |
| FY 2041 |

| Electric | Water | Wastewater |
|----------|---------|------------|
| 1.70% | 22.00% | 13.00% |
| 3.30% | 22.00% | 13.00% |
| 2.50% | 22.00% | 12.00% |
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Questions?

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