## SITES RESERVOIR

### **Local Community Impacts**

With its investment in Sites Reservoir, the Sites Project Authority is a committed member of the Maxwell and broader Sacramento Valley community and will be for many decades to come. We value the opportunity to work with local residents, businesses and agencies, and understand the impacts that a project of this magnitude can have on a community. We have listened and worked hard to understand concerns. We have made adjustments to the Project to address those concerns and expand the ways in which we work to benefit the community.

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## Who is the Sites Project Authority?

We are a local agency with staff and Board members from Colusa and Glenn counties as well as nearby regions. Many of our board members are from families that have been living and working in the Sacramento Valley for generations. They are part of the fabric of this community and help guide our efforts in the best interest of the region.

- Fritz Durst
   Reclamation District 108, Chair
- Jeff Sutton
   Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority, Vice Chair
- Gray Allen
   Placer County Water Agency/City of Roseville
- Gary EvansColusa County Supervisor
- Joe Marsh
   Colusa County Water District
- Thomas Arnold
   Glenn County Supervisor

- Logan Dennis
   Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District
- Kerry Schmitz
   City of Sacramento/Sacramento County
   Water Agency
- Doug Parker
   Westside Water District
- Don Bader
   Bureau of Reclamation –
   Cost Share Partner (non-voting)
- Rob Cooke
   California Department of Water Resources –
   Ex-Officio Member (non-voting)

#### **Our Values:**

- Safety
- Trust and Integrity
- Respect for Local Communities
- Environmental Stewardship
- Shared Responsibility for Shared Benefits
- Accountability and Transparency
- Proactive Innovation
- Diversity and Inclusivity



### **Community Benefits**

Sites Reservoir supports the Sacramento Valley way of life. It's a one-of-a-kind region where family farms, small towns, and the environment work in harmony. With the investment in Sites Reservoir, we will provide several benefits to the region.

**Water when it's needed.** Sites Reservoir will provide a more sustainable water supply for our farms, businesses, and the people who depend on those jobs.



"With Sites Reservoir, we would have a flexible water storage solution that would have been an essential part to saving our 2022 crop here in the Sacramento Valley." Anastacia Allen, Agriculture Commissioner, Colusa County

**Local economic benefits.** Sites Reservoir also strengthens our local agricultural economy, which helps to preserve and diversify the region's economic engine. Regional economic benefits include:

- ✓ Added tax revenue
- ✓ Added small businesses revenue
- ✓ Job creation from efforts to hire locally
- ✓ Internships and training opportunities
- ✓ Added revenue from the purchase and acquisition of local materials



"Sites Reservoir is good for the environment, it's great for the economy, and it will benefit all the participants how and when they need it most. With Sites Reservoir, we have a unique opportunity to secure a more reliable water future for generations to come."

Zach Dennis, 3rd Generation Farmer and Chair, Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority

**Community improvements.** Construction of Sites Reservoir would lead to community improvements including new recreation areas, new roadways, and improvements to existing roads. The Project would also lead to long-term infrastructure development such as opportunities to partner on increased cell phone service coverage and broadband improvements.

We value the local community and realize that the Authority is now part of it for generations to come. We are excited to continue to work with local citizens and local community organizations to not only address impacts but find ways that Sites Reservoir can continue to benefit our collective community.



### **Community Impacts**

The Sites Project Authority is striving to be a good neighbor during both construction and operation of Sites Reservoir. We know there will be impacts to the local community, and are working to address them in the following ways:

Potential Construction Impacts	Solution
~1,700 workers on site per day at peak construction.	Construction or construction-commuting-related vehicles on Oak Street between Old Highway 99 and Sutton Road will be prohibited. This will be enforced through incentives and penalties included in our construction contracts.
Air quality impacts, increase in dust.	A number of dust control measures are included in the Project and will be required in our construction contracts.
Noise and vibration.	While houses in the work vicinity are limited, measures to minimize noise and lighting nuisance, especially for any nighttime construction activities, will be included in our construction contracts.
Limited housing for construction workers.	Limited housing in the area is a challenge and the Authority continues to explore opportunities to address this during the Project's construction.
Potential Operational Impacts	Solution
Increased traffic on Oak Street and in Maxwell.	It is expected that visitors will come to Sites Reservoir to use the new recreation areas. The Authority will implement voluntary improvements like adding pedestrian crossings and stop signs in the community.
Increased demand for emergency response services.	To address the potential need for more emergency response services due to more people in the area, the Authority is including helicopter landing pads and a substation or equipment storage near the reservoir in the Project design. Funding for additional police and fire personnel is also being considered.

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