#### AGENDA IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT PENSION / OPEB 115 TRUSTS BOARD MEETING

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2025

This meeting will be held in-person at the District's headquarters located at 15600 Sand Canyon Avenue, Irvine, California. The meeting will also be broadcasted via Webex for those wanting to observe the meeting virtually.

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CALL TO ORDER	11:30 a.m.	
<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	Board Member: Peer Swan Board Member: Steve LaMar Board Member: Paul Cook	
ALSO PRESENT	Neveen Adly Jennifer Davis	Eileen Lin Dan Quirk, SageView

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT NOTICE**

If you wish to address the Committee on any item, please submit a request to speak via the "chat" feature available when joining the meeting virtually. Remarks are limited to three minutes per speaker on each subject. You may also submit a public comment in advance of the meeting by emailing comments@irwd.com before 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday, November 4, 2025.

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#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

- 1. Meeting Minutes: Neveen Adly
- 2. Public Comments
- 3. Determine the need to discuss and/or take action on item(s) introduced, which came to the attention of the District subsequent to the agenda being posted.
- 4. Determine which items may be approved without discussion.

#### **INFORMATION**

5. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT

115 TRUSTS BOARD FOR PENSION TRUST AND OPEB TRUST – DAVIS /

ADLY

Recommendation: That the minutes of the August 4, 2025 Board Meetings of the Irvine Ranch Water District 115 Trusts Board for Pension Trust and OPEB Trust be approved as presented.

#### **ACTION**

#### PENSION 115 TRUST

6. <u>IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT PENSION 115 TRUST INVESTMENT</u> REVIEW AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 – POWELL / DAVIS / ADLY

Recommendation: Staff to implement changes to the investment portfolio, if any.

#### **OPEB 115 TRUST**

7. <u>IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT OPEB 115 TRUST INVESTMENT REVIEW AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 – POWELL / DAVIS / ADLY</u>

Recommendation: Staff to implement changes to the investment portfolio, if any.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- 8. Directors' Comments
- 9. Adjourn

Availability of agenda materials: Agenda exhibits and other writings that are disclosable public records distributed to all or a majority of the members of the above-named Retirement Board in connection with a matter subject to discussion or consideration at an open meeting of the Retirement Board are available for public inspection in the District's office, 15600 Sand Canyon Avenue, Irvine, California ("District Office"). If such writings are distributed to members of the Retirement Board less than 72 hours prior to the meeting, they will be available from the District Secretary of the District Office at the same time as they are distributed to the Retirement Board, except that if such writings are distributed one hour prior to, or during, the meeting, they will be available electronically via the Webex meeting noted. Upon request, the District will provide for written agenda materials in appropriate alternative formats, and reasonable disability-related modification or accommodation to enable individuals with disabilities to participate in and provide comments at public meetings. Please submit a request, including your name, phone number and/or email address, and a description of the modification, accommodation, or alternative format requested at least two days before the meeting. Requests should be emailed to comments@irwd.com. Requests made by mail must be received at least two days before the meeting. Requests will be granted whenever possible and resolved in favor of accessibility.

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November 4, 2025 Prepared by: J. Davis Submitted by: N. Adly

Approved by: Paul A. Cook

#### 115 TRUSTS BOARD

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT 115 TRUSTS BOARD FOR PENSION TRUST AND OPEB TRUST

#### SUMMARY:

Provided as Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "B" are the minutes of the August 4, 2025 meetings of the Irvine Ranch Water District 115 Trusts Board for Pension Trust and OPEB Trust for approval.

#### **FISCAL IMPACTS**:

None.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE:

This item is not a project as defined in the California Environmental Quality Act Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15378.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 4, 2025 BOARD MEETINGS OF THE IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT 115 TRUSTS BOARD FOR PENSION TRUST AND OPEB TRUST BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

#### **LIST OF EXHIBITS:**

Exhibit "A" – August 4, 2025 Minutes of the Irvine Ranch Water District 115 Trusts Board for Pension Trust

Exhibit "B" – August 4, 2025 Minutes of the Irvine Ranch Water District 115 Trusts Board for OPEB Trust

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#### Exhibit "A"

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT 115 TRUSTS FOR PENSION TRUST

#### August 4, 2025

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) 115 Trust was called to order by Chair Swan at 1:00pm on August 4, 2025.

Directors Present: Chair Peer Swan, Vice Chair Steve La Mar, and Paul Cook

Also Present: Eileen Lin and Jennifer Davis, Executive Director of Finance and Administrative Services Neveen Adly, and Dan Quirk of SageView Advisory Group.

COMMUNICATION: None.

ITEMS RECEIVED TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED: None.

#### **ACTION CALENDAR**

#### MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

Jennifer Davis presented the minutes from the May 6, 2025 meeting.

On <u>MOTION</u> by La Mar, seconded by Swan and affirmed by Paul Cook, the minutes of the May 6, 2025 meeting were approved as presented.

#### Trust Investment Review

- A capital markets and legislative update was provided by SageView.
- All trust investment options were reviewed as of 06/30/2025. All options are currently performing in line with benchmarks or above 50th percentile peer group rankings.
- The Portfolio return and expense ratio, style analysis, and asset allocation by fund were reviewed. Of note was the following:
  - O As of June 30, 2025, the IRWD Post-Retirement Benefits Trust market value was \$139,732,246 up from \$130,237,016 at March 31, 2025.
  - o For the quarter, the net total return was 7.29%, compared to the custom peer-group fund benchmark return of 7.26%.
  - o For the trailing twelve months, the total return was 12.80%, beating the custom peergroup fund benchmark return of 11.23%.
  - o The portfolio is primarily allocated to index funds, leading to a low overall expense ratio of 0.10%.
  - o The two actively scored funds by SageView score in the upper half of peer group rankings, while all index funds receive a pass rating.

• No changes were made to the target portfolio allocation, which remain as shown below:

		6/30/2025
FDRXX	Fidelity Government Cash Reserves	0%
BCOIX	Baird Core Plus Institutional	20%
VWEAX	Vanguard High Yield Corporate Bond	15%
	Fixed Income	35%
VINIX	Vanguard Institutional Index	40%
VHYAX	Vanguard High Dividend Yield Index Adm	12%
VEXAX	Vanguard Extended Market Index	9%
VTMNX	Vanguard Developed Markets Index	4%
	Equity	65%
	Total	100%

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Swan adjourned the meeting.

APPROVED and SIGNED this 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 2025.

Board Member, IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT 115 TRUSTS BOARD

Secretary, IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT 115 TRUSTS BOARD

#### Exhibit "B"

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT 115 TRUSTS FOR OPEB TRUST

#### August 4, 2025

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) 115 Trusts was called to order by Chair Swan at 1:00pm on August 4, 2025.

Directors Present: Chair Peer Swan, Vice Chair Steve La Mar, and Paul Cook

Also Present: Eileen Lin and Jennifer Davis, and Executive Director of Finance and Administrative Services Neveen Adly, and Dan Quirk of SageView Advisory Group.

COMMUNICATION: None.

ITEMS RECEIVED TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED: None.

#### **ACTION CALENDAR**

#### MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

Jennifer Davis presented the minutes from the May 6, 2025 meeting.

On <u>MOTION</u> by Cook, seconded by La Mar and affirmed by Swan, the minutes of the May 6, 2025 meeting were approved as presented.

#### Trust Investment Review

- A capital markets and legislative update was provided by SageView.
- All trust investment options were reviewed as of 06/30/2025. All options are currently performing in line with benchmarks or above 50th percentile peer group rankings.
- The Portfolio return and expense ratio, style analysis, and asset allocation by fund were reviewed. Of note was the following:
  - o As of June 30, 2025, the IRWD Post-Retirement Benefits OPEB Trust market value was \$13,084,863, up from \$12,200,141 on March 31, 2025.
  - o For the quarter, the net total return was 7.29%, compared to the custom peer-group fund benchmark return of 7.25%.
  - o For the trailing twelve months, the total return was 12.45%, beating the custom peergroup fund benchmark return of 11.23%.
  - o The portfolio is primarily allocated to index funds, leading to a low overall expense ratio of 0.10%.

- The two actively scored funds by SageView score in the upper half of peer group rankings, while all index funds receive a pass rating.
- The target portfolio allocation is shown below:

		6/30/2025
FDRXX	Fidelity Government Cash Reserves	0%
BCOIX	Baird Core Plus Institutional	20%
VWEAX	Vanguard High Yield Corporate Bond	15%
	Fixed Income	35%
VINIX	Vanguard Institutional Index	40%
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VTMNX	Vanguard Developed Markets Index	4%
	Equity	65%
	Total	100%

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Swan adjourned the meeting.

APPROVED and SIGNED this 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 2025.

Board Member, IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT 115 TRUSTS BOARD

Secretary, IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT 115 TRUSTS BOARD

November 4, 2025

Prepared by: B. Powell / J. Davis

Submitted by: N. Adly

Approved by: Paul A. Cook

#### 115 TRUSTS BOARD

## IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT PENSION 115 TRUST INVESTMENT REVIEW AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

#### SUMMARY:

Staff and a representative from IRWD's pension investment advisor, SageView Investment Advisors, will present the Portfolio Investment Review for the quarter ended September 30, 2025, and provide an update on current market conditions and any recommended portfolio changes.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

#### Quarterly Investment Review:

As of September 30, 2025, the IRWD Pension 115 Trust market value was \$148,005,212, which was a net increase of \$8,272,966 from the prior quarter end. The change was due to an increase in market value of \$7,338,369, and dividends distributions in the amount of \$949,659. Trust expenses for the quarter included \$15,000 paid to SageView Advisory Group and \$62 for transaction and reporting fees paid to Fidelity. Assets in the Trust are sufficient to meet the District's current CalPERS unfunded liability. A summary of the Pension 115 Trust Assets as of September 30, 2025 is provided as Exhibit "A".

For the quarter ended September 30, 2025, the portfolio return was 5.92% compared to the index-based custom benchmark return of 5.02%. For the one-year period ended September 30, 2025, the return was 12.07%, compared to the index-based custom benchmark return of 10.72%. The Portfolio Investment Review as of September 30, 2025 is provided as Exhibit "B".

A representative from SageView will present the Portfolio Investment Review for the quarter ended September 30, 2025, update the Board on current market conditions, and provide any recommended portfolio changes for the Board's consideration.

#### FISCAL IMPACTS:

Fiscal impacts are as described above.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE:

This item is not a project as defined in the California Environmental Quality Act Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15378.

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#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

STAFF TO IMPLEMENT CHANGES TO THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO, IF ANY.

#### **LIST OF EXHIBITS:**

Exhibit "A" – Summary of Pension 115 Trust Assets as of September 30, 2025 Exhibit "B" – The Portfolio Investment Review as of September 30, 2025

#### Exhibit "A"

#### Irvine Ranch Water District Summary of Pension 115 Trust Assets September 30, 2025

Investment	Quarterly Return	Month End June 30, 2025	Month End September 30, 2025	Incr/(Decr) During Quarter	Percent of Portfolio
EQUITIES					
Vanguard Institutional Index Fund	8.12%	\$57,768,759	\$62,457,104	\$4,688,345	42.2%
Vanguard Extended Mkt (small/mid) Index Fund	8.91%	13,050,456	14,212,801	1,162,345	9.6%
Vanguard Developed Market Index	5.85%	5,582,437	5,908,828	326,391	4.0%
Vanguard High Dividend Yield Index Admiral	6.37%	16,837,629	17,910,744	1,073,115	12.1%
FIXED INCOME					
Baird Core Plus Bond Fund	2.15%	26,445,205	27,013,491	568,286	18.3%
Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Fund	2.34%	19,994,601	20,463,920	469,319	13.8%
CASH-SHORT TERM					
Cash Reserves		53,158	38,324	(14,834)	0.0%
Closing Balance		\$139,732,246	\$148,005,212	\$8,272,966	100.0%

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## **Plan Investment Review**

**Irvine Ranch Water District Post-Employment Benefits Trust** 

For period ending September 30, 2025



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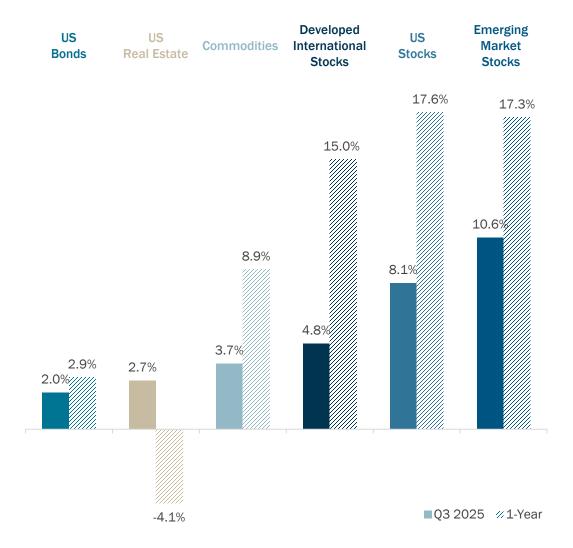
# **Section I Market Overview** The views are those of SageView Advisory Group and should not be construed as investment advice. All information is believed to be from reliable sources; however, we make no representation as to its completeness or accuracy. All economic and performance information is historical and not indicative of future results. The market indices discussed are unmanaged. Investors cannot directly invest in unmanaged indices. Additional risks are associated with international investing, such as currency fluctuations, political and economic stability, and differences in accounting standards. Please consult your financial advisor for more information. No representations or warranties are being made as to the tax effect, performance, past or future, or financial impact of this summary. This information is provided as an informal report; no warranties as to the accuracy or content are implied or expressed. The information above must be interpreted in the context of, and is qualified by, all the information contained in the prospectuses, where applicable, which have been or will be delivered to the appropriate investing parties prior to any offer being made.

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### **Capital Market Overview**

All major asset classes rose during Q3 2025. Solid corporate earnings, increased investments in Artificial Intelligence (AI), and steady consumer spending kept investor confidence high, reduced daily market volatility, and extended the stock market rally.

- US equities gained strongly as many companies' earnings beat analyst expectations and large tech stocks benefited from AI spending. Gains spread beyond just the largest firms. Momentum into Q4 appears to be supported by healthy profit growth.
- Foreign stock markets also moved higher.
   Despite positive returns, developed markets lagged the US, while emerging markets outperformed, thanks in part to a weaker dollar, producing double-digit gains over the past year.
- Core fixed income finished positive as investor expectations for future rate cuts increased as hiring cooled. Falling yields pushed bond prices up, with high-quality bonds leading the way.
- Real estate stocks gained as the outlook for lower interest rates improved, partly offsetting the burden of current higher borrowing costs. Ratesensitive areas performed particularly well, though conditions still vary by property type.
- Commodities ended the quarter higher. Strength in gold and some industrial materials outweighed generally lower energy prices.



### **Equities**

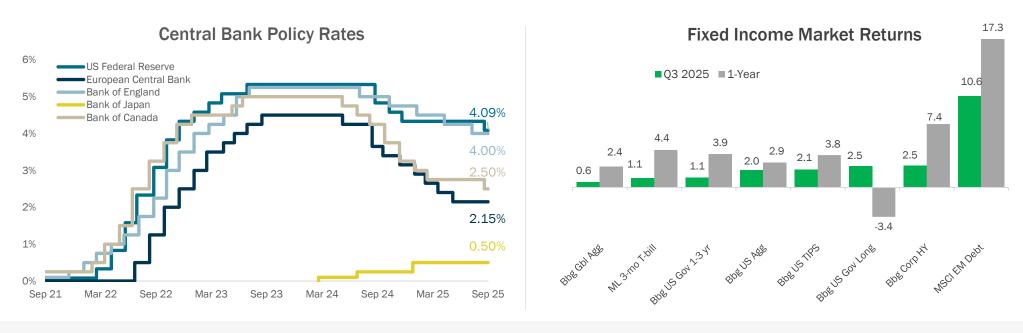
Third quarter equity returns were driven by enthusiasm around AI and related infrastructure, with a subset of mega cap names leading the market. Additionally, better than expected Q2 earnings allayed concerns about a potentially slowing economy. Small cap stocks particularly benefited from Fed easing, hitting their first new all-time highs since 2021. Despite strong returns, foreign stocks generally trailed domestic indices for the quarter, although foreign stocks continue to lead on a year-to-date basis.



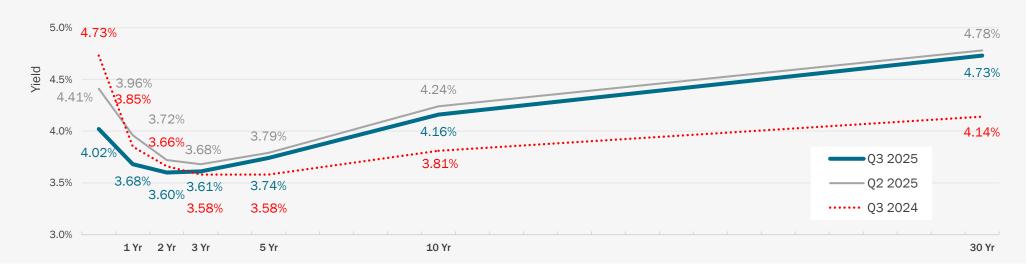
Sources: Index and sector return data sourced from Morningstar Direct, accessed October 3, 2025. Style box returns and valuations sourced from JPMorgan Guide to the Markets, 9/30/2025. Style box returns pertain to Morningstar categories. Valuations pertain to the Russell style indices.

#### **Fixed Income**

Treasury yields declined during the quarter, due in part to weak labor data. The Bureau of Labor Statistics' retroactive revision in September, eliminating 911,000 previously reported jobs, prompted the Fed's first rate cut of the year, with further cuts expected in late October and December. Despite labor weakness, spreads continued to tighten as investors stretched for yield. Emerging market debt outperformed other fixed income categories due to higher yields, tighter central bank policies, and a weakening US dollar.



#### **US Treasury Yield Curve**





#### **Executive Summary and Observations**

- Assets total \$148,005,212 at September 30, 2025, up from \$139,732,246 at June 30, 2025
- Trade activity during the quarter:
  - -Trades made consistent with updated allocation below.

#### Target Allocation vs. Actual

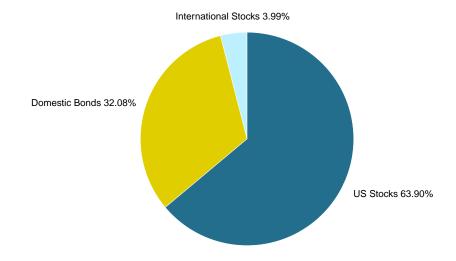
		6/30/2025	9/30/2025	9/30/2025 %	9/30/2025
Ticker	Fund	% Target	% Target	Actual	\$ Actual
FDRXX	Fidelity Government Cash Reserves	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	38,324
BCOIX	Baird Core Plus Institutional	20.0%	20.0%	18.3%	27,013,491
VWEAX	Vanguard High Yield Corporate Bond	15.0%	15.0%	13.8%	20,463,920
	Fixed Income	35.0%	35.0%	32.1%	47,515,735
VINIX	Vanguard Institutional Index	40.0%	40.0%	42.2%	62,457,104
VHYAX	Vanguard High Dividend Yield Index Adm	12.0%	12.0%	12.1%	17,910,744
VEXAX	Vanguard Extended Market Index	9.0%	9.0%	9.6%	14,212,801
VTMNX	Vanguard Developed Markets Index	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	5,908,828
	Equity	65.0%	65.0%	67.9%	100,489,477
	Total	100%	100%	100.0%	148,005,212

- For the quarter, the net total return was 5.92%, compared to the custom peer-group fund benchmark of 5.02%.
- For the past 12 months, the net total return was 12.07%, beating the custom peer-group fund return of 10.72%.
- Since November 2016, the portfolio has gained over \$85 million in investment returns.
- The portfolio is heavily allocated to index funds, leading to a low overall expense ratio of 0.10%.
- Baird Core Plus and Vanguard High Yield Corporate Bond score in the upper half of SageView's peer group quantitative rankings,
   while all index funds receive a pass rating.



## Asset Allocation by Fund As of 09/30/2025

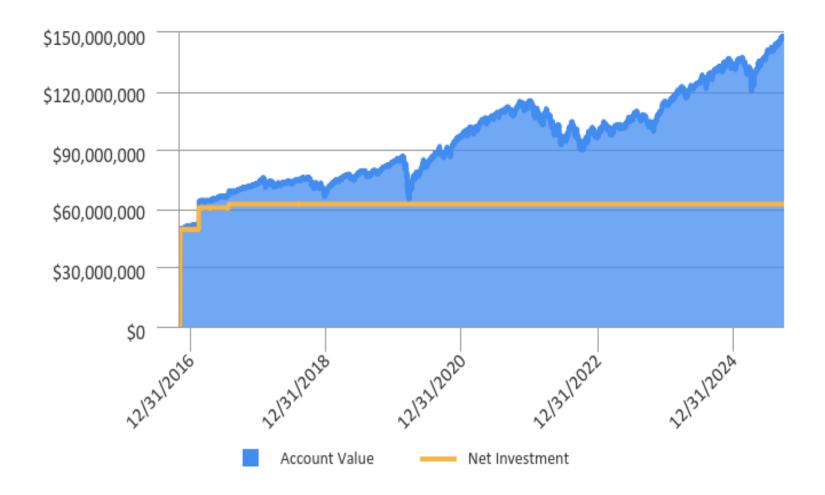
Fund	% of Plan Assets	Total Assets
Vanguard Institutional Index I	42.20%	\$62,457,103.69
Baird Core Plus Bond Inst	18.25%	\$27,013,491.44
Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Adm	13.83%	\$20,463,920.09
Vanguard High Dividend Yield Index Adm	12.10%	\$17,910,744.45
Vanguard Extended Market Index Admiral	9.60%	\$14,212,800.85
Vanguard Developed Markets Index Instl	3.99%	\$5,908,827.68
Fidelity Government Cash Reserves	0.03%	\$38,324.04
Total Market Value:	100.00%	\$148,005,212.24





### **Investment Growth Over Time**

As of 09/30/2025





## Fund Performance Summary As of 09/30/2025

Fund Benchmark Category	Asset Class	(%) of Plan	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Years Annualized	5 Years Annualized	10 Years Annualized	Expense Ratio	SageView Ranking
Fidelity Government Cash Reserves	Money Market-Taxable	0.03%	1.01	3.05	4.19	4.54	2.81	1.83	0.39	NA
ICE BofA US 3M Trsy Bill TR USD*			1.08	3.17	4.38	4.77	2.98	2.08		
Cat: Morningstar Money Market - Taxable			0.98	2.97	4.10	4.48	2.78	1.80	0.40	
Baird Core Plus Bond Inst	Intermediate Core-Plus Bond	18.25%	2.15	6.29	3.46	6.10	0.38	2.67	0.30	TOP QUAR
Bloomberg US Agg Bond TR USD*			2.03	6.13	2.88	4.93	-0.45	1.84		
Cat: Morningstar Intermediate Core-Plus Bond			2.16	6.31	3.37	5.61	0.33	2.32	0.77	
Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Adm	High Yield Bond	13.83%	2.34	7.58	7.28	10.28	4.80	5.46	0.12	2 <sup>ND</sup> QUAR
ICE BofA US High Yield TR USD*			2.40	7.06	7.23	10.97	5.53	6.07		
Cat: Morningstar High Yield Bond			2.35	6.67	6.94	10.21	5.17	5.24	0.87	
Vanguard High Dividend Yield Index Adm	Large Value	12.10%	6.37	12.65	12.94	17.55	15.11	11.84	0.08	Pass
FTSE High Dividend Yield TR USD*			6.39	12.71	13.02	17.63	15.19	11.92		
Cat: Morningstar Large Value			5.54	11.35	9.68	17.10	14.13	10.90	0.86	
Vanguard Institutional Index I	Large Blend	42.20%	8.12	14.80	17.56	24.89	16.43	15.27	0.04	Pass
S&P 500 TR USD*			8.12	14.83	17.60	24.94	16.47	15.30		
Cat: Morningstar Large Blend			6.94	13.11	14.61	22.34	14.85	13.69	0.73	
Vanguard Extended Market Index Admiral	Mid-Cap Blend	9.60%	8.91	11.25	16.46	19.68	11.43	11.34	0.05	Pass
S&P Completion TR USD*			8.87	11.18	16.43	19.50	11.30	11.21		
Cat: Morningstar Mid-Cap Blend			5.19	7.71	7.73	16.14	12.70	10.43	0.87	
Vanguard Developed Markets Index Instl	Foreign Large Blend	3.99%	5.85	27.89	17.44	22.04	11.37	8.55	0.03	Pass
FTSE Dv Ex US TR USD*			5.84	26.87	16.93	22.12	11.80	8.97		
Cat: Morningstar Foreign Large Blend			5.00	24.95	15.75	20.94	10.30	7.97	0.86	

<sup>\*</sup>Investment Policy Benchmark



## **Investment Discussion Summary - Current Investments**

Fund Name % of Plan Assets Category	Comment Date	Comments
Baird Core Plus Bond Inst 18.25 Intermediate Core-Plus Bond	09/30/2025	Performance Update (9/30/2025):The Baird Core Plus fund employs a bottom-up investment approach, emphasizing relative value primarily through security selection, with additional contributions from sector selection and yield curve positioning. With credit spreads tight relative to history, the strategy has moved to a more neutral stance toward corporate credit. While price upside is limited, yields remain attractive. The team favors shorter maturities to reduce rate sensitivity and has increased allocations to higher-quality securitized assets and Treasuries as alternatives to credit. They also hold a constructive view on financials, particularly banks and insurers positioned well for uncertainty. A modest underweight to emerging markets has been a headwind, though the team is comfortable with its BBB and BB exposures. Looking ahead, the focus remains on adding carry and shorter-term credit to sustain a yield advantage over the index. Performance has been consistently strong, with solid results across trailing and calendar-year periods.  Strategy Summary: The fund utilizes a duration neutral approach relative to the benchmark. Typically, portfolio managers hope to generate the most excess return (about 40% of alpha) through security selection, then sector allocation (30% of alpha), yield curve positioning (25% of alpha), and lastly trade execution (5% of alpha). Credit analysts first determine which issuers appear to offer the best value within each sector. Only US dollar denominated securities are utilized in this fund with no use of derivative securities. The prospectus benchmark for the strategy is the Bloomberg US Universal Index. The standard category benchmark is the Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index. Fund comments are relative to the prospectus benchmark.



## **Investment Discussion Summary - Current Investments**

Fund Name % of Plan Assets Category	Comment Date	Comments
Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Adm 13.83 High Yield Bond	03/31/2023	Performance Update (3/31/2023): The Vanguard High-Yield fund outperformed the category average for both the quarter and the twelve month period. Financial markets traced a rocky path to solid gains over the first quarter of 2023. They rose sharply early on amid signs of moderating inflation, declining energy prices, and solid labor markets despite layoffs in the U.S. tech sector. Overall, U.S. bonds saw their yields finish lower and prices higher. The credit quality of the fund is higher than the average fund in the category, which helped returns. The funds underperformance was driven by security selection within the Financials sector. Security selection within wirelines and retailers helped. For the twelve month period, the fund's underweight allocation to credit risk, along with strong selection within the pharmaceutical, technology, and retailer sectors was the primary drivers of performance.  Strategy Summary: The Fund invests primarily in a diversified group of high yielding, higher risk corporate bonds with medium and lower range credit quality ratings. The Fund invests at least 80% of
		its assets in corporate bonds that are rated below Baa by Moody's. The Fund may not invest more than 20% of its assets in any of the following, in the aggregate: bonds with credit ratings lower than B or the equivalent, convertible securities, preferred stocks, and fixed and floating rate loans of medium to lower range credit quality. The standard category benchmark is the BB Barclays US Corporate High Yield Bond Index. Fund comments are relative to the prospectus benchmark.



## **IPS Historical Ranking**

Fund Name	12/2022	03/2023	06/2023	09/2023	12/2023	03/2024	06/2024	09/2024	12/2024	03/2025	06/2025	09/2025
Fidelity Government Cash Reserves	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA							
Baird Core Plus Bond Inst	TOP DEC	TOP DEC	TOP DEC	TOP QUAR	TOP QUAR							
Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Adm	TOP QUAR	TOP QUAR	TOP QUAR	2ND QUAR	TOP QUAR	2ND QUAR	2ND QUAR	2 <sup>ND</sup> QUAR	2ND QUAR	2ND QUAR	2ND QUAR	2ND QUAR
Vanguard High Dividend Yield Index Adm	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass							
Vanguard Institutional Index I	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass							
Vanguard Extended Market Index Admiral	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass							
Vanguard Developed Markets Index Insti	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass							



## **Fund Score Summary**

	# of Funds	Average SageView Score
Total Available Standalone Investments	7	25
Core Investments	7	25
Asset Allocation Investments	0	NA



## **Fund Score Summary**

Fund Name	Ticker	Total Return Composite Ranking	Rolling 12 Mo Perf. (5 Yrs.)	RSquared (3 Yrs)	Modified Sharpe Ratio (36 Mos.)	Alpha (60 Mos.)	Up Capture Ratio (10 Yrs.)	Down Capture Ratio (10 Yrs.)	Batting Average (10 Yrs.)	Expense Ratio	SageView Normalized Ranking
Baird Core Plus Bond Inst	BCOIX	32%	36%	3%	25%	40%	38%	28%	24%	10%	14%
Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Adm	VWEAX	49%	51%	48%	46%	62%	64%	29%	40%	3%	42%



## **Baird Core Plus Bond Inst**

**BCOIX** 

Ranking Vs. Peers - Intermediate Core-Plus Bond

**September 30, 2025** 

Intermediate Core-Plus Bond Universe: 799 Funds

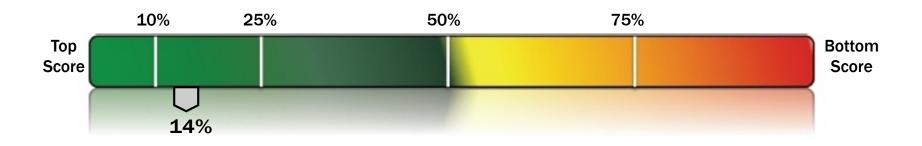
Performance Ranking			Ranking
Total Return Composite Ranking			32.30%
	10 Year	25.00%	
	5 Year	35.00%	
	3 Year	26.00%	
	1 Year	42.00%	
Rolling 12 Month - 5 Years			36.31%

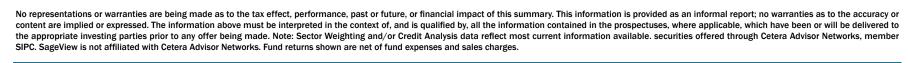
Ratio Statistics	Ranking
Modified Sharpe Ratio - 36 Months	25.00%
Alpha - 60 Months	40.00%
Up Capture Ratio - 10 Years	38.00%
Down Capture Ratio - 10 Years	28.00%
Batting Average - 10 Years	24.00%

<b>Fund Expense</b>		Ranking
Expense Ratio	0.3	10.00%

Style Consistency		Ranking
Style Consistency to Benchmark		_
Bloomberg US Agg Bond TR USD	R2	3.00%

	SageView Normalized Ranking
SageView Normalized Ranking	14.00%
STATUS	TOP QUARTILE







## **Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Adm**

**VWEAX** 

Ranking Vs. Peers - High Yield Bond

**September 30, 2025** 

High Yield Bond Universe: 674 Funds

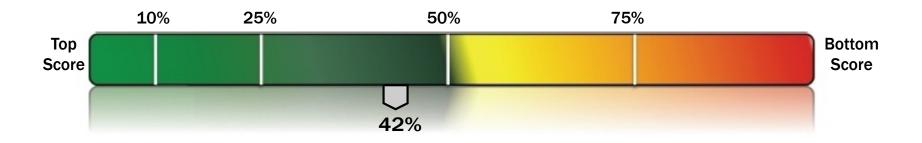
Performance Ranking			Ranking
Total Return Composite Ranking			48.90%
	10 Year	37.00%	
	5 Year	60.00%	
	3 Year	48.00%	
	1 Year	29.00%	
Rolling 12 Month - 5 Years			50.88%

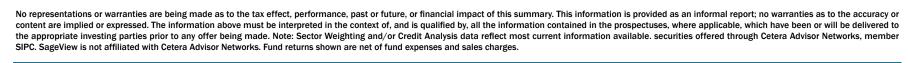
Ratio Statistics	Ranking
Modified Sharpe Ratio - 36 Months	46.00%
Alpha - 60 Months	62.00%
Up Capture Ratio - 10 Years	64.00%
Down Capture Ratio - 10 Years	29.00%
Batting Average - 10 Years	40.00%

Fund Expense		Ranking
Expense Ratio	0.12	3.00%

Style Consistency		Ranking
Style Consistency to Benchmark		
Bloomberg US HY 2% Issuer Cap TR USD	R2	48.00%

	SageView Normalized Ranking
SageView Normalized Ranking	42.00%
STATUS	2nd QUARTILE





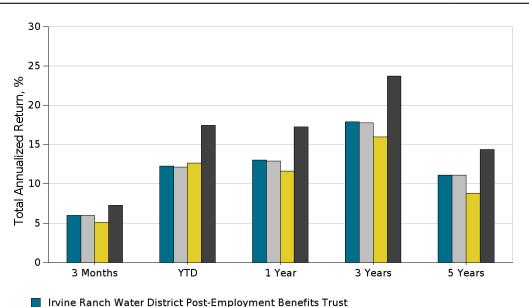




## Portfolio Return vs. Custom Benchmark

As of 09/30/2025

Performance As Of September 30, 2025	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	Std Dev 5 Yr	Prospectus Exp Ratio
Irvine Ranch Water District Post-Employment Benefits Trust	5.92	12.07	12.49	18.01	11.24	12.28	0.10
Irvine Ranch Water District Post-Employment Benefits Trust Custom Benchmark	5.91	11.93	12.39	17.91	11.21	12.29	NA
Irvine Ranch Water District Post-Employment Benefits Trust Custom Category Averages Benchmark	5.02	10.72	10.28	16.32	10.38	13.08	0.79
Institutional Portfolio 60-30-10	5.08	12.64	11.64	16.01	8.84	10.67	NA
MSCI World NR USD	7.27	17.43	17.25	23.72	14.41	15.48	NA



Industry Average Expense Ratio Source: 401(k) Averages Book, 24th Edition, published by HR
Investment Consultants

Institutional Portfolio 60-30-10

MSCI World NR USD

The Institutional Portfolio 60-30-10 consists of 60% MSCI World NR USD, 30% Bloomberg US Agg Bond TR USD and 10% ICE BofA US 3M Trsy Bill TR USD

Irvine Ranch Water District Post-Employment Benefits Trust Custom Benchmark

<sup>1</sup>Industry Average Exp Ratio 0.52%. Based on plan assets \$100Mil+

Benchmark	Weight
S&P 500 TR USD	42.20%
Bloomberg US Agg Bond TR USD	18.25%
NA	13.83%
FTSE High Dividend Yield TR USD	12.10%
S&P Completion TR USD	9.60%
FTSE Dv Ex US TR USD	3.99%
ICE BofA US 3M Trsy Bill TR USD	0.03%



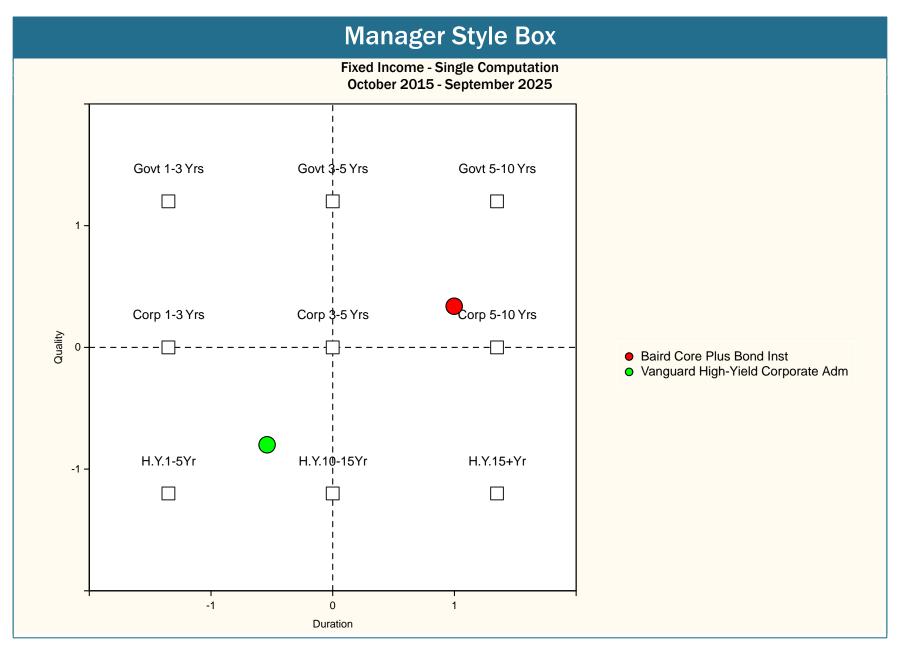
## Management Style Analysis As of 09/30/2025

#### **Domestic Equity Style Box**

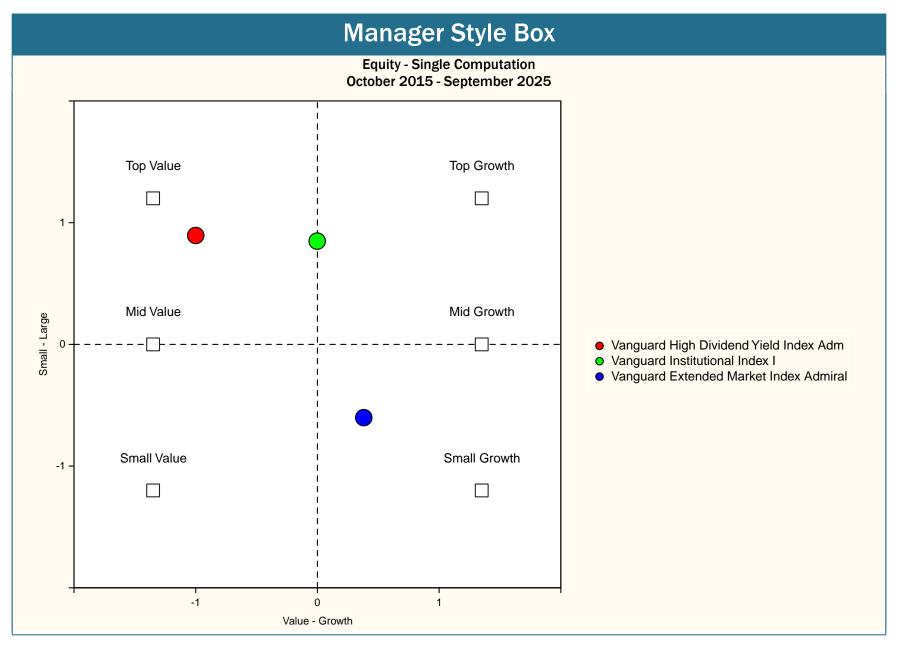
	VALUE	BLEND	GROWTH
LARGE CAP	• Vanguard High Dividend Yield Index Adm (\$126.48 bn)	Vanguard Institutional Index I(\$409.25 bn)	
MID CAP		Vanguard Extended Market Index Admiral (\$8.68 bn)	
SMALL CAP			

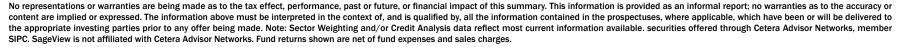
Average Market Cap. listed in parentheses



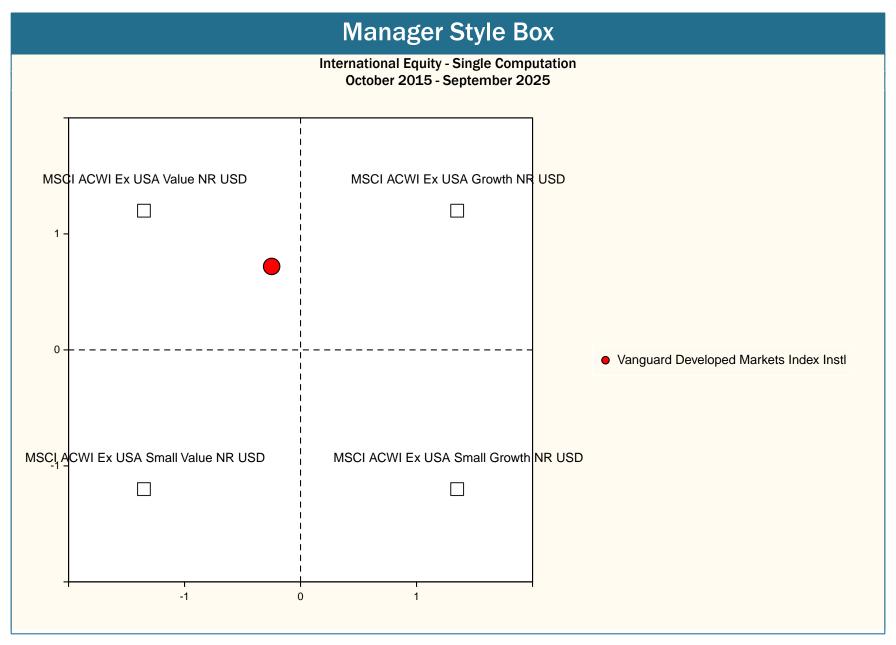


















# **Active Investment Options Analysis Criteria**

All active plan investment options are reviewed quarterly against their peer group and index benchmark to determine the performance and quality of each offering. Each are evaluated using the following criteria:

- 1. Trailing 1, 3, 5 and 10 year returns Total return is a basic measure of a fund's performance. Fund returns over each period are factored into a weighted average, based on the life of a fund. Recent returns receive a slightly higher weighting, while older returns, which may have been produced under different conditions, are weighted less.
- 2. Rolling period returns A rolling period return divides a longer time frame into smaller time periods. A rolling 12-month return over five years is computed by first calculating a single period return over the first twelve months. Next, it calculates the 12-month return for months 2-13. The process continues until finally reaching the 12-month period spanning months 48-60. The final rolling figure reflects the average of all of the 12-month returns.
- 3. Batting Average Batting average is calculated by (1) tallying the number of months in a given observation window where the investment return is greater than the return of the peer group median return and (2) dividing this amount by the total number of months in the observation window. The result is a ratio that ranges between 0 and 1. A batting average of greater than 0.50 signifies that the investment has outperformed the peer group more frequently than it has underperformed, irrespective of the magnitude of any outperformance or underperformance.
- 4. Style Consistency to the appropriate index We utilize R-squared to assess whether the funds selected for the plan continue to operate and perform as expected within their appropriate asset class. R-squared measures the closeness between a fund's returns and movements in the benchmark. All active funds have some deviation from their benchmark, but excessive deviation could indicate that a fund is drifting away from its stated category mandate.
- 5. Modified Sharpe Ratio The standard Sharpe Ratio calculation is calculated by subtracting the risk-free rate of return (the US Treasury Bill is typically used) from the portfolio return and dividing the result by the portfolio's standard deviation. A higher Sharpe ratio indicates that the portfolio was able to generate a higher return per unit of risk. Modified Sharpe Ratio is a related statistic that is equal to the Sharpe Ratio under normal circumstances. However, the Modified Sharpe calculation adds an exponent to the denominator that effectively raises the denominator to the -1 power in circumstances in which an investment's excess return is negative. This modification ensures that investments with both negative excess returns and higher standard deviations rank lower than investment with negative excess returns and lower standard deviations. Under the standard Sharpe Ratio calculation, the opposite is true.
- 6. Alpha The use of Alpha allows us to gauge the effectiveness of the manager. Alpha is the difference between the portfolio's actual return and its expected return given the funds level of risk as calculated by beta.
- 7. Up Capture Ratio The up capture ratio calculates the percentage of return of an index that a fund has captured during up market cycles. It tracks the fund's relative performance versus the appropriate index when the index is going up.
- 8. Down Capture Ratio The down capture ratio calculates the percentage of return of an index a fund has captured during down market cycles. Funds that perform well in this category tend to reduce the downside loss for investors during bear markets.
- 9. Expense Ratio The expense ratio is compared to the appropriate category average expense and then given a score based upon that percentage. This rewards low-cost funds and penalizes high-cost funds. Expense ratios are effectively "double weighted" in our scoring methodology, because performance returns are already net of expenses. Since fiduciaries are encouraged to carefully manage expenses, we believe explicitly factoring in fund fees is prudent.

Each fund is benchmarked to a specific market index, and fund performance is evaluated and compared to a relevant peer group using Morningstar category classifications. A fund is given a peer group ranking for each criterion, shown as a percentage. The percentage rankings for all criteria are then averaged to give a fund its average ranking score. All funds with at least a three year track record are scored in the above manner. A fund is then classified as Top Decile, top Quartile, 2nd Quartile, 3rd Quartile or 4th Quartile based upon the overall score compared to all other funds within that particular asset category.

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## **Passive Investment Options Analysis Criteria**

All passive investment options are reviewed quarterly against their peer group and index benchmark to determine the performance and quality of each offering. Each are evaluated using the following criteria:

- 1. Expense Ratio The percentage of fund assets, net of reimbursements, used to pay for operating expenses and management fees, including 12b-1 fees, administrative fees, and all other asset-based costs incurred by the fund, except brokerage costs. Fund expenses are reflected in the fund's NAV. Sales charges are not included in the expense ratio. The Prospectus Net Expense Ratio is collected annually from a fund's prospectus.
- 2. Tracking Error A measure of the difference in returns between an investment and a benchmark. Tracking error is reported as a standard deviation of the difference between the returns of an investment and its benchmark.
- 3. R-Squared A statistical metric that ranges from zero to 100 and measures the percentage of portfolio's performance that is explained by the movement of its benchmark index. R-Squared is helpful in assessing the reliability of alpha and beta in explaining a portfolio risk and return characteristics. An r-squared of 100 would mean that the portfolio's performance movements are perfectly correlated with those of the benchmark over time, and would suggest that alpha and beta may be relied upon with a high degree of confidence.
- 4. Beta A measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of an investment in comparison to a market index as a whole. Beta is calculated using regression analysis. Beta represents the tendency of an investment's returns to respond to moves in the market or index that it's calculated against. A beta of 1 indicates that the investment's price moves with the market. A beta of less than 1 means that the investment is theoretically less volatile than the market. A beta of greater than 1 indicates that the investment's price is theoretically more volatile than the market. The reliability of an investment's beta is a function of the investment's r-squared value in relation to the benchmark. A high r-squared value signifies that the beta measure is reliable, while a low r-squared signifies that it is potentially inaccurate.

Each of the criteria above caries a proprietary weight. An index fund is evaluated and ranked in each of the above criteria relative to their peer group. A fund is given a peer group ranking for each criterion. The percentage rankings for all criteria are then weighted to give a fund its average ranking score.

The raw score is then normalized on a scale of 1 to 100, with 1 being the best and 100 the worst. The top 75% of the funds in a category receive a passing score, while the bottom 25% fail.

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#### 115 TRUSTS BOARD

# IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT OPEB 115 TRUST INVESTMENT REVIEW AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

#### SUMMARY:

Staff and a representative from IRWD's pension investment advisor SageView Investment Advisors will present the Portfolio Investment Review for the quarter ended September 30, 2025, provide an update on current market conditions, and any recommended portfolio changes.

#### BACKGROUND:

#### **Quarterly Investment Review:**

As of September 30, 2025, the IRWD OPEB 115 Trust market value was \$13,855,296, which was a net increase of \$770,433 from the prior quarter. The change was due to an increase in market value of \$687,162, and dividend distributions in the amount of \$88,896. Trust expenses for the quarter included \$5,625 for advisor fees paid to SageView. Assets in the Trust fund a portion of the District's current OPEB liability. A summary of the OPEB 115 Trust Assets as of September 30, 2025, is provided as Exhibit "A".

For the quarter ended September 30, 2025, the portfolio return was 5.88% compared to the index-based custom benchmark return of 5.02%. For the one-year period ended September 30, 2025, the return was 12.34%, compared to the index-based custom benchmark return of 10.72%. The Portfolio Investment Review as of September 30, 2025, is provided as Exhibit "B".

A representative from SageView will present the Portfolio Investment Review for the quarter ended September 30, 2025, update the Board on current market conditions, and provide any recommended portfolio changes for the Board's consideration.

#### FISCAL IMPACTS:

Fiscal impacts are as described above.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE:**

This item is not a project as defined in the California Environmental Quality Act Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15378.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

STAFF TO IMPLEMENT CHANGES TO THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO, IF ANY.

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#### **LIST OF EXHIBITS:**

Exhibit "A" – Summary of 115 Trust Assets as of September 30, 2025 OPEB Exhibit "B" – The Portfolio Investment Review as of September 30, 2025 OPEB

#### Exhibit "A"

#### Irvine Ranch Water District Summary of OPEB 115 Trust Assets September 30, 2025

Investment	Quarterly Return	Quarter End June 30, 2025	Quarter End September 30, 2025	Incr/(Decr) During Quarter	Percent of Portfolio
EQUITIES					
Vanguard Institutional Index Fund	8.12%	\$5,409,681	\$5,848,714	\$439,034	42.2%
Vanguard Extended Mkt (small/mid) Ind	8.91%	1,222,092	1,330,938	108,846	9.6%
Vanguard Developed Market Index	5.85%	522,759	553,323	30,564	4.0%
Vanguard High Dividend Yield Index Ad	6.37%	1,576,739	1,677,229	100,491	12.1%
FIXED INCOME					
Baird Core Plus Bond Fund	2.15%	2,473,683	2,526,840	53,157	18.2%
Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Fund	2.34%	1,872,357	1,916,306	43,949	13.8%
CASH-SHORT TERM					
Cash Reserves		7,553	1,945	(5,607)	0.0%
Closing Balance		\$13,084,863	\$13,855,296	\$770,433	100.0%

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# **Portfolio Investment Review**

**Irvine Ranch Water District OPEB Trust** 

For period ending September 30, 2025



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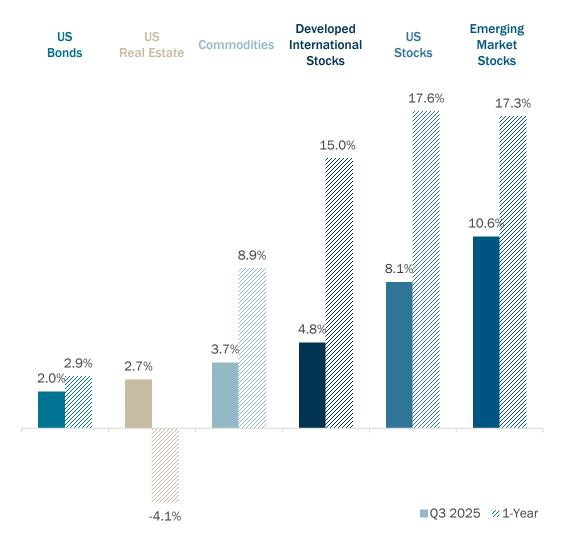
# **Section I Market Overview** The views are those of SageView Advisory Group and should not be construed as investment advice. All information is believed to be from reliable sources; however, we make no representation as to its completeness or accuracy. All economic and performance information is historical and not indicative of future results. The market indices discussed are unmanaged. Investors cannot directly invest in unmanaged indices. Additional risks are associated with international investing, such as currency fluctuations, political and economic stability, and differences in accounting standards. Please consult your financial advisor for more information. No representations or warranties are being made as to the tax effect, performance, past or future, or financial impact of this summary. This information is provided as an informal report; no warranties as to the accuracy or content are implied or expressed. The information above must be interpreted in the context of, and is qualified by, all the information contained in the prospectuses, where applicable, which have been or will be delivered to the appropriate investing parties prior to any offer being made.

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# **Capital Market Overview**

All major asset classes rose during Q3 2025. Solid corporate earnings, increased investments in Artificial Intelligence (AI), and steady consumer spending kept investor confidence high, reduced daily market volatility, and extended the stock market rally.

- US equities gained strongly as many companies' earnings beat analyst expectations and large tech stocks benefited from AI spending. Gains spread beyond just the largest firms. Momentum into Q4 appears to be supported by healthy profit growth.
- Foreign stock markets also moved higher.
   Despite positive returns, developed markets lagged the US, while emerging markets outperformed, thanks in part to a weaker dollar, producing double-digit gains over the past year.
- Core fixed income finished positive as investor expectations for future rate cuts increased as hiring cooled. Falling yields pushed bond prices up, with high-quality bonds leading the way.
- Real estate stocks gained as the outlook for lower interest rates improved, partly offsetting the burden of current higher borrowing costs. Ratesensitive areas performed particularly well, though conditions still vary by property type.
- Commodities ended the quarter higher. Strength in gold and some industrial materials outweighed generally lower energy prices.



# **Equities**

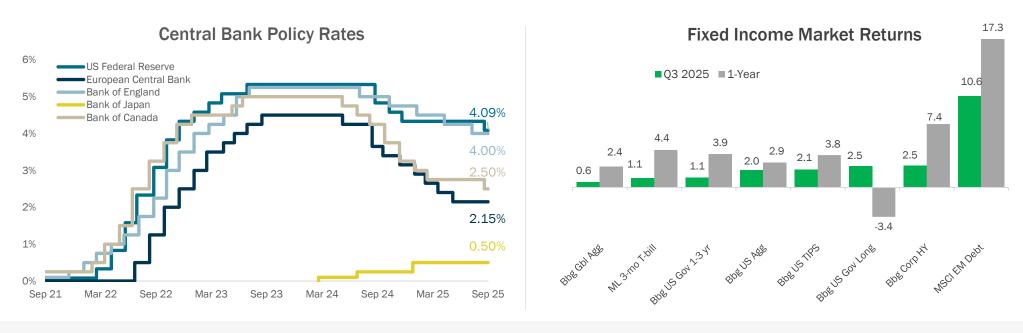
Third quarter equity returns were driven by enthusiasm around AI and related infrastructure, with a subset of mega cap names leading the market. Additionally, better than expected Q2 earnings allayed concerns about a potentially slowing economy. Small cap stocks particularly benefited from Fed easing, hitting their first new all-time highs since 2021. Despite strong returns, foreign stocks generally trailed domestic indices for the quarter, although foreign stocks continue to lead on a year-to-date basis.



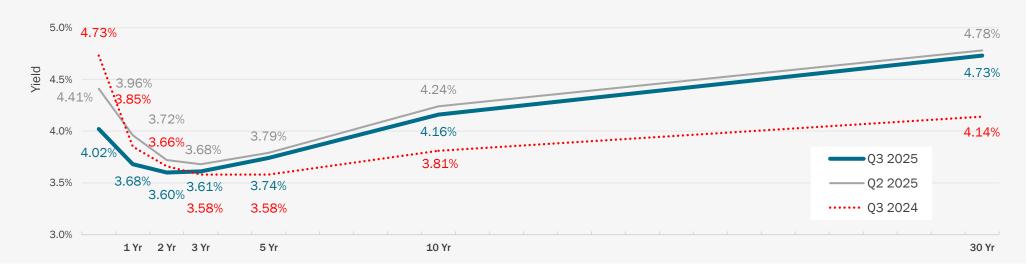
Sources: Index and sector return data sourced from Morningstar Direct, accessed October 3, 2025. Style box returns and valuations sourced from JPMorgan Guide to the Markets, 9/30/2025. Style box returns pertain to Morningstar categories. Valuations pertain to the Russell style indices.

#### **Fixed Income**

Treasury yields declined during the quarter, due in part to weak labor data. The Bureau of Labor Statistics' retroactive revision in September, eliminating 911,000 previously reported jobs, prompted the Fed's first rate cut of the year, with further cuts expected in late October and December. Despite labor weakness, spreads continued to tighten as investors stretched for yield. Emerging market debt outperformed other fixed income categories due to higher yields, tighter central bank policies, and a weakening US dollar.



#### **US Treasury Yield Curve**





#### **Executive Summary and Observations**

- Assets totaled \$13,855,296 at September 30, 2025, up from \$13,084,863 at June 30, 2025.
- Trade activity during the quarter:
  - -Trades made consistent with updated allocation below.

#### Target Allocation vs. Actual

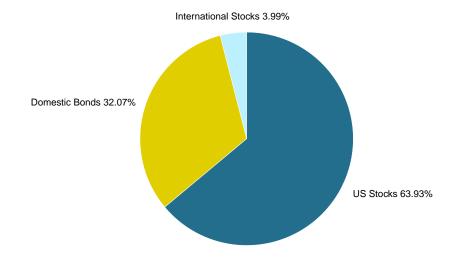
		6/30/2025	9/30/2025	9/30/2025 %	9/30/2025
Ticker	Fund	% Target	% Target	Actual	\$ Actual
FDRXX	Fidelity Government Cash Reserves	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1,945
BCOIX	Baird Core Plus Institutional	18.0%	20.0%	18.2%	2,526,840
VWEAX	Vanguard High Yield Corporate Bond	14.0%	15.0%	13.8%	1,916,306
	Fixed Income	32.0%	35.0%	32.1%	4,445,092
VINIX	Vanguard Institutional Index	42.0%	40.0%	42.2%	5,848,714
VHYAX	Vanguard High Dividend Yield Index Adm	12.0%	12.0%	12.1%	1,677,229
VEXAX	Vanguard Extended Market Index	10.0%	9.0%	9.6%	1,330,938
VTMNX	Vanguard Developed Markets Index	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	553,323
	Equity	68.0%	65.0%	67.9%	9,410,205
	Total	100%	100%	100.0%	13,855,296

- For the quarter, the net total return was 5.88%, compared to the custom peer-group fund benchmark of 5.02%.
- For the past 12 months, the net total return was 12.34%, beating the custom peer-group fund return of 10.72%.
- Since November 2016, the portfolio has gained over \$3.8 million in investment returns.
- The portfolio is heavily allocated to index funds, leading to a low overall expense ratio of 0.10%.
- Baird Core Plus and Vanguard High Yield Corporate Bond score in the upper half of SageView's peer group quantitative rankings,
   while all index funds receive a pass rating.



# Asset Allocation by Fund As of 09/30/2025

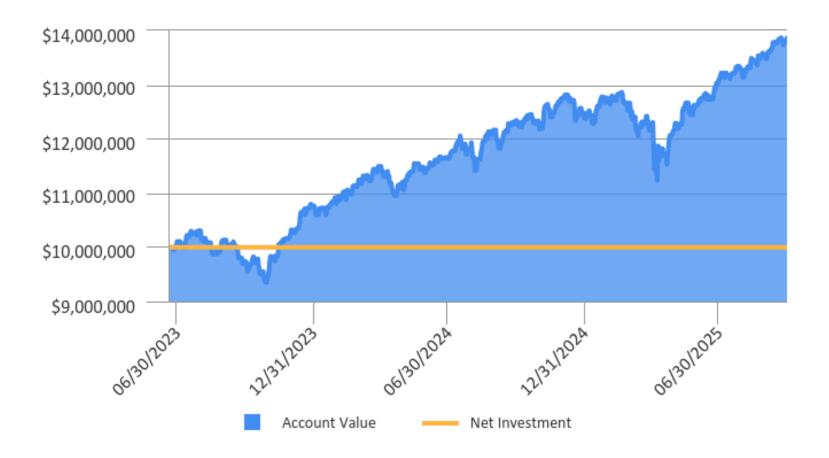
Fund	% of Plan Assets	Total Assets
Vanguard Institutional Index I	42.21%	\$5,848,714.39
Baird Core Plus Bond Inst	18.24%	\$2,526,840.40
Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Adm	13.83%	\$1,916,306.00
Vanguard High Dividend Yield Index Adm	12.11%	\$1,677,229.25
Vanguard Extended Market Index Admiral	9.61%	\$1,330,937.97
Vanguard Developed Markets Index Insti	3.99%	\$553,323.04
Fidelity Treasury Money Market	0.01%	\$1,945.41
Total Market Value:	100.00%	\$13,855,296.46





# **Investment Growth Over Time**

As of 09/30/2025





# Fund Performance Summary As of 09/30/2025

Fund Benchmark Category	Asset Class	(%) of Plan	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Years Annualized	5 Years Annualized	10 Years Annualized	Expense Ratio	SageView Ranking
Fidelity Treasury Money Market	Money Market-Taxable	0.01%	0.99	2.99	4.12	4.50	2.78	1.80	0.42	NA
ICE BofA US 3M Trsy Bill TR USD*			1.08	3.17	4.38	4.77	2.98	2.08		
Cat: Morningstar Money Market - Taxable			0.98	2.97	4.10	4.48	2.78	1.80	0.40	
Baird Core Plus Bond Inst	Intermediate Core-Plus Bond	18.24%	2.15	6.29	3.46	6.10	0.38	2.67	0.30	TOP QUAR
Bloomberg US Agg Bond TR USD*			2.03	6.13	2.88	4.93	-0.45	1.84		
Cat: Morningstar Intermediate Core-Plus Bond			2.16	6.31	3.37	5.61	0.33	2.32	0.77	
Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Adm	High Yield Bond	13.83%	2.34	7.58	7.28	10.28	4.80	5.46	0.12	2 <sup>ND</sup> QUAR
Bloomberg US HY 2% Issuer Cap TR USD*			2.54	7.22	7.41	11.09	5.54	6.16		
Cat: Morningstar High Yield Bond			2.35	6.67	6.94	10.21	5.17	5.24	0.87	
Vanguard High Dividend Yield Index Adm	Large Value	12.11%	6.37	12.65	12.94	17.55	15.11	11.84	0.08	Pass
FTSE High Dividend Yield TR USD*			6.39	12.71	13.02	17.63	15.19	11.92		
Cat: Morningstar Large Value			5.54	11.35	9.68	17.10	14.13	10.90	0.86	
Vanguard Institutional Index I	Large Blend	42.21%	8.12	14.80	17.56	24.89	16.43	15.27	0.04	Pass
S&P 500 TR USD*			8.12	14.83	17.60	24.94	16.47	15.30		
Cat: Morningstar Large Blend			6.94	13.11	14.61	22.34	14.85	13.69	0.73	
Vanguard Extended Market Index Admiral	Mid-Cap Blend	9.61%	8.91	11.25	16.46	19.68	11.43	11.34	0.05	Pass
S&P Completion TR USD*			8.87	11.18	16.43	19.50	11.30	11.21		
Cat: Morningstar Mid-Cap Blend			5.19	7.71	7.73	16.14	12.70	10.43	0.87	
Vanguard Developed Markets Index Instl	Foreign Large Blend	3.99%	5.85	27.89	17.44	22.04	11.37	8.55	0.03	Pass
FTSE Developed ex US All Cap NR USD*			5.91	26.87	16.83	21.43	11.09	8.33		
Cat: Morningstar Foreign Large Blend			5.00	24.95	15.75	20.94	10.30	7.97	0.86	

<sup>\*</sup>Investment Policy Benchmark



# **Investment Discussion Summary - Current Investments**

Fund Name % of Plan Assets Category	Comment Date	Comments
Baird Core Plus Bond Inst 18.24 Intermediate Core-Plus Bond	09/30/2025	Performance Update (9/30/2025):The Baird Core Plus fund employs a bottom-up investment approach, emphasizing relative value primarily through security selection, with additional contributions from sector selection and yield curve positioning. With credit spreads tight relative to history, the strategy has moved to a more neutral stance toward corporate credit. While price upside is limited, yields remain attractive. The team favors shorter maturities to reduce rate sensitivity and has increased allocations to higher-quality securitized assets and Treasuries as alternatives to credit. They also hold a constructive view on financials, particularly banks and insurers positioned well for uncertainty. A modest underweight to emerging markets has been a headwind, though the team is comfortable with its BBB and BB exposures. Looking ahead, the focus remains on adding carry and shorter-term credit to sustain a yield advantage over the index. Performance has been consistently strong, with solid results across trailing and calendar-year periods.  Strategy Summary: The fund utilizes a duration neutral approach relative to the benchmark. Typically, portfolio managers hope to generate the most excess return (about 40% of alpha) through security selection, then sector allocation (30% of alpha), yield curve positioning (25% of alpha), and lastly trade execution (5% of alpha). Credit analysts first determine which issuers appear to offer the best value within each sector. Only US dollar denominated securities are utilized in this fund with no use of derivative securities. The prospectus benchmark for the strategy is the Bloomberg US Universal Index. The standard category benchmark is the Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index. Fund comments are relative to the prospectus benchmark.



# **Investment Discussion Summary - Current Investments**

Fund Name % of Plan Assets Category	Comment Date	Comments
Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Adm 13.83 High Yield Bond	09/30/2025	Performance Update (9/30/2025): The Vanguard High Yield Corporate Bond Fund employs fundamental credit selection to construct a broadly diversified portfolio aimed at delivering high and sustainable current income. Within the high-yield sector, the strategy typically emphasizes higher credit quality and lower return volatility compared to its competitors. While long-term performance has been strong, the fund has underperformed its peers in calendar years 2023 and 2024. Concerns about consumer health and spending have led the management team to adopt a more defensive stance. This cautious approach, in a market environment where risk-taking has been rewarded, contributed to the fund trailing peers as credit spreads continued to tighten. Performance this year has been strong, with the fund's defensive positioning holding up well during the April spread widening. Additionally, credit selection-particularly avoiding tariff- and trade-sensitive names-has contributed to positive relative performance.
		Strategy Summary: The Fund invests primarily in a diversified group of high yielding, higher risk corporate bonds with medium and lower range credit quality ratings. The Fund invests at least 80% of its assets in corporate bonds that are rated below Baa by Moody's. The Fund may not invest more than 20% of its assets in any of the following, in the aggregate: bonds with credit ratings lower than B or the equivalent, convertible securities, preferred stocks, and fixed and floating rate loans of medium to lower range credit quality. The standard category benchmark is the BB Barclays US Corporate High Yield Bond Index. Fund comments are relative to the prospectus benchmark.



# **IPS Historical Ranking**

Fund Name	12/2022	03/2023	06/2023	09/2023	12/2023	03/2024	06/2024	09/2024	12/2024	03/2025	06/2025	09/2025
Fidelity Treasury Money Market	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Baird Core Plus Bond Inst	TOP DEC	TOP DEC	TOP DEC	TOP DEC	TOP DEC	TOP QUAR	TOP QUAR					
Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Adm	TOP QUAR	TOP QUAR	TOP QUAR	2ND QUAR	TOP QUAR	2 <sup>ND</sup> QUAR	2ND QUAR	2ND QUAR	2 <sup>ND</sup> QUAR	2 <sup>ND</sup> QUAR	2 <sup>ND</sup> QUAR	2ND QUAR
Vanguard High Dividend Yield Index Adm	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Vanguard Institutional Index I	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Vanguard Extended Market Index Admiral	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Vanguard Developed Markets Index Insti	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass



# **Fund Score Summary**

	# of Funds	Average SageView Score
Total Available Standalone Investments	7	25
Core Investments	7	25
Asset Allocation Investments	0	NA



# **Fund Score Summary**

Fund Name	Ticker	Total Return Composite Ranking	Rolling 12 Mo Perf. (5 Yrs.)	RSquared (3 Yrs)	Modified Sharpe Ratio (36 Mos.)	Alpha (60 Mos.)	Up Capture Ratio (10 Yrs.)	Down Capture Ratio (10 Yrs.)	Batting Average (10 Yrs.)	Expense Ratio	SageView Normalized Ranking
Baird Core Plus Bond Inst	BCOIX	32%	36%	3%	25%	40%	38%	28%	24%	10%	14%
Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Adm	VWEAX	49%	51%	48%	46%	62%	64%	29%	40%	3%	42%



# **Index Fund Score Summary**

Fund Name	Ticker	Expense Ratio	Tracking Error (3 Yrs)	RSquared (3 Yrs)	Beta (3 Yrs)	SageView Normalized Ranking
Vanguard High Dividend Yield Index Adm	VHYAX	29%	34%	36%	70%	32%
Vanguard Institutional Index I	VINIX	21%	1%	1%	56%	11%
Vanguard Extended Market Index Admiral	VEXAX	30%	57%	54%	68%	33%
Vanguard Developed Markets Index Instl	VTMNX	12%	56%	52%	57%	17%



# **Baird Core Plus Bond Inst**

**BCOIX** 

Ranking Vs. Peers - Intermediate Core-Plus Bond

**September 30, 2025** 

Intermediate Core-Plus Bond Universe: 799 Funds

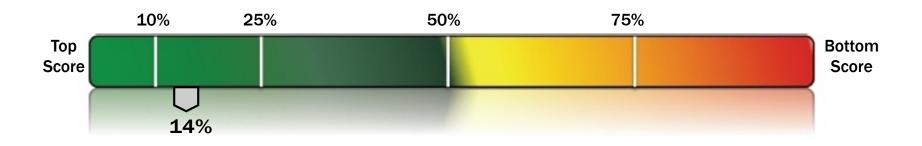
Performance Ranking			Ranking
Total Return Composite Ranking			32.30%
	10 Year	25.00%	
	5 Year	35.00%	
	3 Year	26.00%	
	1 Year	42.00%	
Rolling 12 Month - 5 Years			36.31%

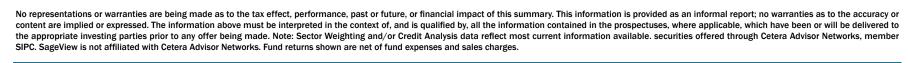
Ratio Statistics	Ranking
Modified Sharpe Ratio - 36 Months	25.00%
Alpha - 60 Months	40.00%
Up Capture Ratio - 10 Years	38.00%
Down Capture Ratio - 10 Years	28.00%
Batting Average - 10 Years	24.00%

<b>Fund Expense</b>		Ranking
Expense Ratio	0.3	10.00%

Style Consistency		Ranking
Style Consistency to Benchmark		_
Bloomberg US Agg Bond TR USD	R2	3.00%

	SageView Normalized Ranking
SageView Normalized Ranking	14.00%
STATUS	TOP QUARTILE







# **Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Adm**

**VWEAX** 

Ranking Vs. Peers - High Yield Bond

**September 30, 2025** 

High Yield Bond Universe: 674 Funds

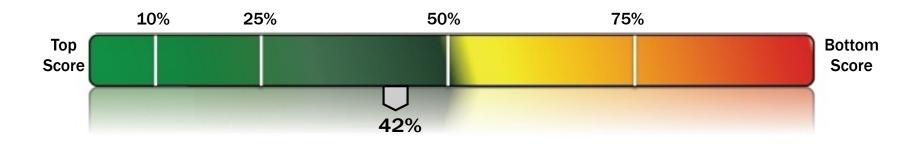
Performance Ranking			Ranking
Total Return Composite Ranking			48.90%
	10 Year	37.00%	
	5 Year	60.00%	
	3 Year	48.00%	
	1 Year	29.00%	
Rolling 12 Month - 5 Years			50.88%

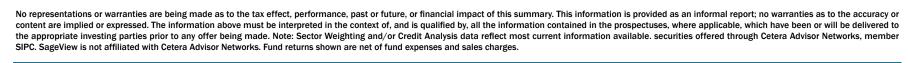
Ratio Statistics	Ranking
Modified Sharpe Ratio - 36 Months	46.00%
Alpha - 60 Months	62.00%
Up Capture Ratio - 10 Years	64.00%
Down Capture Ratio - 10 Years	29.00%
Batting Average - 10 Years	40.00%

Fund Expense		Ranking
Expense Ratio	0.12	3.00%

Style Consistency		Ranking
Style Consistency to Benchmark		
Bloomberg US HY 2% Issuer Cap TR USD	R2	48.00%

	SageView Normalized Ranking
SageView Normalized Ranking	42.00%
STATUS	2nd QUARTILE





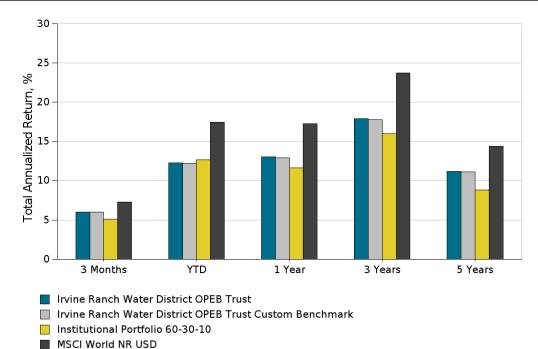




# Portfolio Return vs. Custom Benchmark

As of 09/30/2025

Performance As Of September 30, 2025	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	Std Dev 5 Yr	Prospectus Exp Ratio
Irvine Ranch Water District OPEB Trust	5.88	11.96	12.34				0.10
Irvine Ranch Water District OPEB Trust Custom Benchmark	5.88	11.91	12.31				NA
Irvine Ranch Water District OPEB Trust Custom Category Averages Benchmark	5.02	10.72	10.29				0.79
Institutional Portfolio 60-30-10	5.08	12.64	11.64	16.01	8.84	10.67	NA
MSCI World NR USD	7.27	17.43	17.25	23.72	14.41	15.48	NA



Industry Average Expense Ratio Source: 401(k) Averages Book, 24th Edition, published by HR Investment Consultants
The Institutional Portfolio 60-30-10 consists of 60% MSCI World NR USD, 30% Bloomberg US Agg Bond

TR USD and 10% ICE BofA US 3M Trsy Bill TR USD

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Benchmark	Weight
S&P 500 TR USD	42.21%
Bloomberg US Agg Bond TR USD	18.24%
Bloomberg US HY 2% Issuer Cap TR USD	13.83%
FTSE High Dividend Yield TR USD	12.11%
S&P Completion TR USD	9.61%
FTSE Developed ex US All Cap NR USD	3.99%
ICE BofA US 3M Trsy Bill TR USD	0.01%



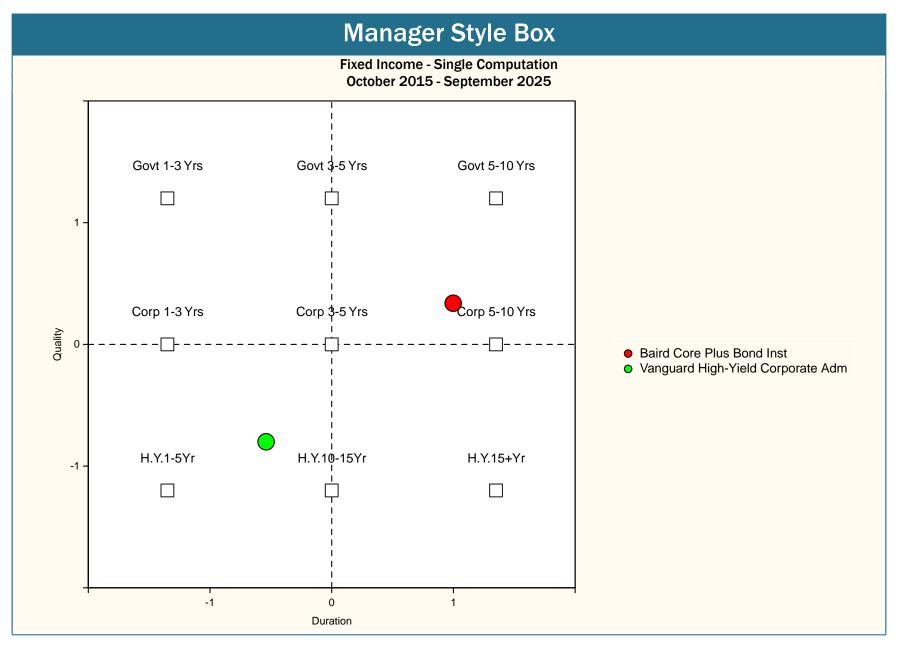
# Management Style Analysis As of 09/30/2025

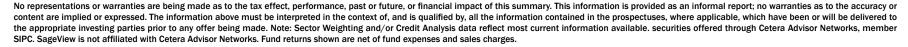
#### **Domestic Equity Style Box**

	VALUE	BLEND	GROWTH
LARGE CAP	• Vanguard High Dividend Yield Index Adm (\$126.48 bn)	Vanguard Institutional Index I(\$409.25 bn)	
MID CAP		Vanguard Extended Market Index Admiral (\$8.68 bn)	
SMALL CAP			

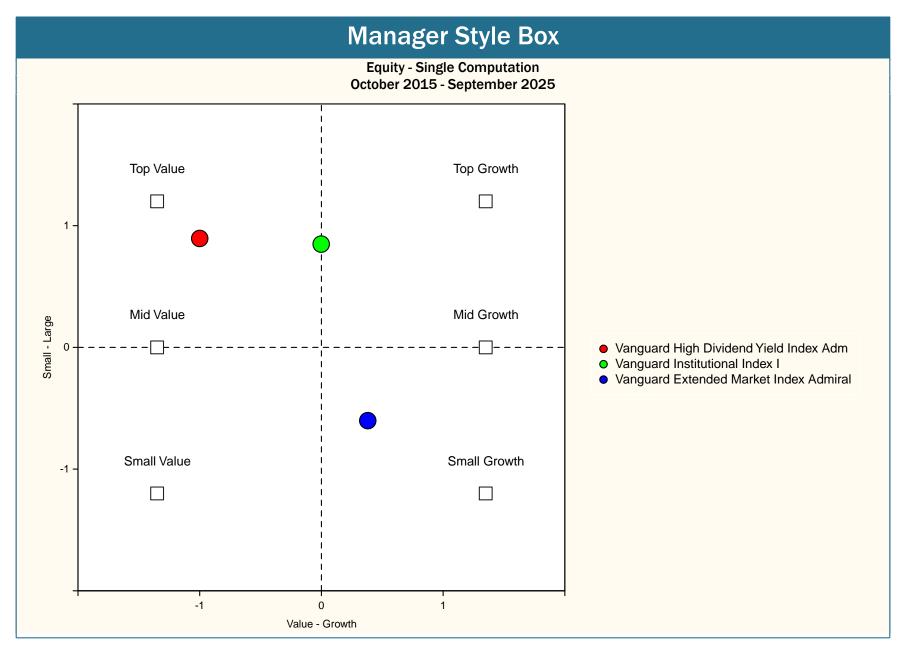
Average Market Cap. listed in parentheses

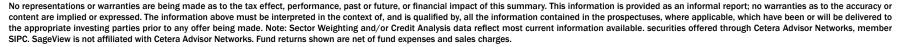




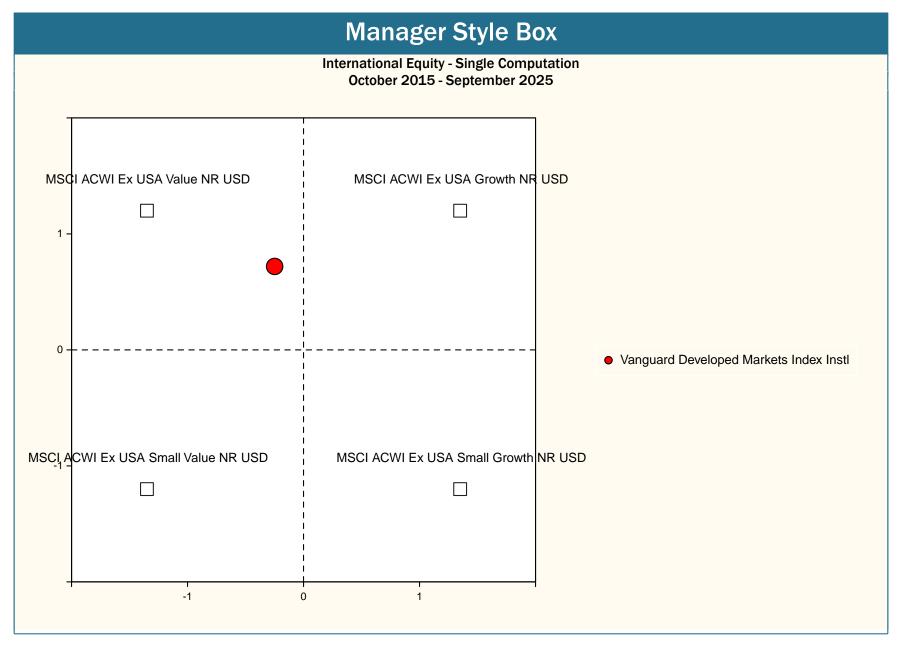
















# **Active Investment Options Analysis Criteria**

All active plan investment options are reviewed quarterly against their peer group and index benchmark to determine the performance and quality of each offering. Each are evaluated using the following criteria:

- 1. Trailing 1, 3, 5 and 10 year returns Total return is a basic measure of a fund's performance. Fund returns over each period are factored into a weighted average, based on the life of a fund. Recent returns receive a slightly higher weighting, while older returns, which may have been produced under different conditions, are weighted less.
- 2. Rolling period returns A rolling period return divides a longer time frame into smaller time periods. A rolling 12-month return over five years is computed by first calculating a single period return over the first twelve months. Next, it calculates the 12-month return for months 2-13. The process continues until finally reaching the 12-month period spanning months 48-60. The final rolling figure reflects the average of all of the 12-month returns.
- 3. Batting Average Batting average is calculated by (1) tallying the number of months in a given observation window where the investment return is greater than the return of the peer group median return and (2) dividing this amount by the total number of months in the observation window. The result is a ratio that ranges between 0 and 1. A batting average of greater than 0.50 signifies that the investment has outperformed the peer group more frequently than it has underperformed, irrespective of the magnitude of any outperformance or underperformance.
- 4. Style Consistency to the appropriate index We utilize R-squared to assess whether the funds selected for the plan continue to operate and perform as expected within their appropriate asset class. R-squared measures the closeness between a fund's returns and movements in the benchmark. All active funds have some deviation from their benchmark, but excessive deviation could indicate that a fund is drifting away from its stated category mandate.
- 5. Modified Sharpe Ratio The standard Sharpe Ratio calculation is calculated by subtracting the risk-free rate of return (the US Treasury Bill is typically used) from the portfolio return and dividing the result by the portfolio's standard deviation. A higher Sharpe ratio indicates that the portfolio was able to generate a higher return per unit of risk. Modified Sharpe Ratio is a related statistic that is equal to the Sharpe Ratio under normal circumstances. However, the Modified Sharpe calculation adds an exponent to the denominator that effectively raises the denominator to the -1 power in circumstances in which an investment's excess return is negative. This modification ensures that investments with both negative excess returns and higher standard deviations rank lower than investment with negative excess returns and lower standard deviations. Under the standard Sharpe Ratio calculation, the opposite is true.
- 6. Alpha The use of Alpha allows us to gauge the effectiveness of the manager. Alpha is the difference between the portfolio's actual return and its expected return given the funds level of risk as calculated by beta.
- 7. Up Capture Ratio The up capture ratio calculates the percentage of return of an index that a fund has captured during up market cycles. It tracks the fund's relative performance versus the appropriate index when the index is going up.
- 8. Down Capture Ratio The down capture ratio calculates the percentage of return of an index a fund has captured during down market cycles. Funds that perform well in this category tend to reduce the downside loss for investors during bear markets.
- 9. Expense Ratio The expense ratio is compared to the appropriate category average expense and then given a score based upon that percentage. This rewards low-cost funds and penalizes high-cost funds. Expense ratios are effectively "double weighted" in our scoring methodology, because performance returns are already net of expenses. Since fiduciaries are encouraged to carefully manage expenses, we believe explicitly factoring in fund fees is prudent.

Each fund is benchmarked to a specific market index, and fund performance is evaluated and compared to a relevant peer group using Morningstar category classifications. A fund is given a peer group ranking for each criterion, shown as a percentage. The percentage rankings for all criteria are then averaged to give a fund its average ranking score. All funds with at least a three year track record are scored in the above manner. A fund is then classified as Top Decile, top Quartile, 2nd Quartile, 3rd Quartile or 4th Quartile based upon the overall score compared to all other funds within that particular asset category.

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## **Passive Investment Options Analysis Criteria**

All passive investment options are reviewed quarterly against their peer group and index benchmark to determine the performance and quality of each offering. Each are evaluated using the following criteria:

- 1. Expense Ratio The percentage of fund assets, net of reimbursements, used to pay for operating expenses and management fees, including 12b-1 fees, administrative fees, and all other asset-based costs incurred by the fund, except brokerage costs. Fund expenses are reflected in the fund's NAV. Sales charges are not included in the expense ratio. The Prospectus Net Expense Ratio is collected annually from a fund's prospectus.
- 2. Tracking Error A measure of the difference in returns between an investment and a benchmark. Tracking error is reported as a standard deviation of the difference between the returns of an investment and its benchmark.
- 3. R-Squared A statistical metric that ranges from zero to 100 and measures the percentage of portfolio's performance that is explained by the movement of its benchmark index. R-Squared is helpful in assessing the reliability of alpha and beta in explaining a portfolio risk and return characteristics. An r-squared of 100 would mean that the portfolio's performance movements are perfectly correlated with those of the benchmark over time, and would suggest that alpha and beta may be relied upon with a high degree of confidence.
- 4. Beta A measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of an investment in comparison to a market index as a whole. Beta is calculated using regression analysis. Beta represents the tendency of an investment's returns to respond to moves in the market or index that it's calculated against. A beta of 1 indicates that the investment's price moves with the market. A beta of less than 1 means that the investment is theoretically less volatile than the market. A beta of greater than 1 indicates that the investment's price is theoretically more volatile than the market. The reliability of an investment's beta is a function of the investment's r-squared value in relation to the benchmark. A high r-squared value signifies that the beta measure is reliable, while a low r-squared signifies that it is potentially inaccurate.

Each of the criteria above caries a proprietary weight. An index fund is evaluated and ranked in each of the above criteria relative to their peer group. A fund is given a peer group ranking for each criterion. The percentage rankings for all criteria are then weighted to give a fund its average ranking score.

The raw score is then normalized on a scale of 1 to 100, with 1 being the best and 100 the worst. The top 75% of the funds in a category receive a passing score, while the bottom 25% fail.

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