



# Local Government Impact Fees Riverside County's Perspective

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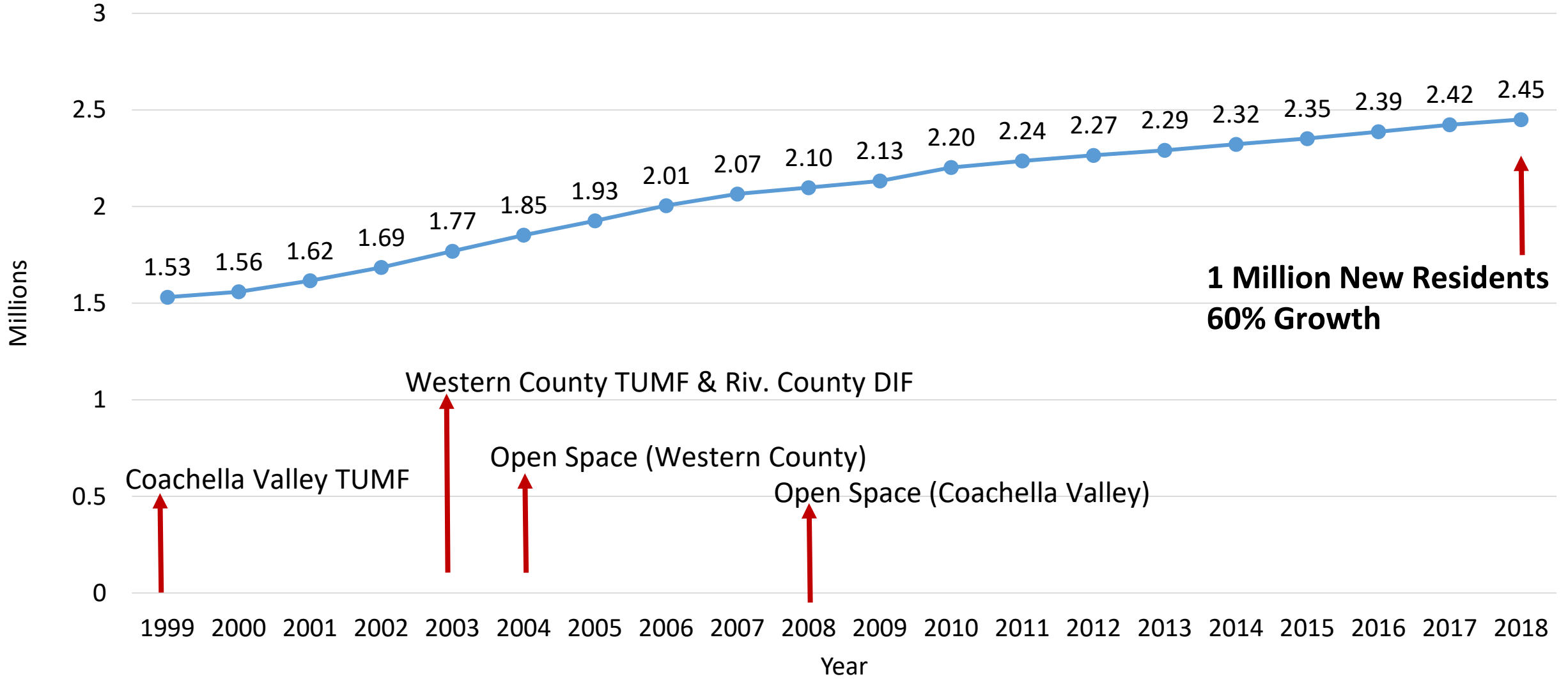
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# Riverside County's Innovative Mitigation Fee Programs

- Riverside County has 2 regional Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee (TUMF) Programs:
  - Coachella Valley (1999) & Western County (2003)
- Two regional Open Space fee programs:
  - Western County (2004) & Coachella Valley (2008)
- County has a separate DIF program customized for 20 Area Plans
- **These programs have been a contributor, not an impediment, to Riverside County being the fastest growing County in California in the last 20 years**



# Riverside County Population (Millions)



# Fee Programs Have Supported Population Growth

- Provides for fair-share contributions to infrastructure – rather than first-in facing an insurmountable cost to develop
- Provided CEQA cumulative mitigation – reduce legal challenges to housing growth
- Leverage and match Federal and State dollars for both infrastructure and open space
- Mitigation for Federal environmental permits – Endangered Species Act, Clean Water Act

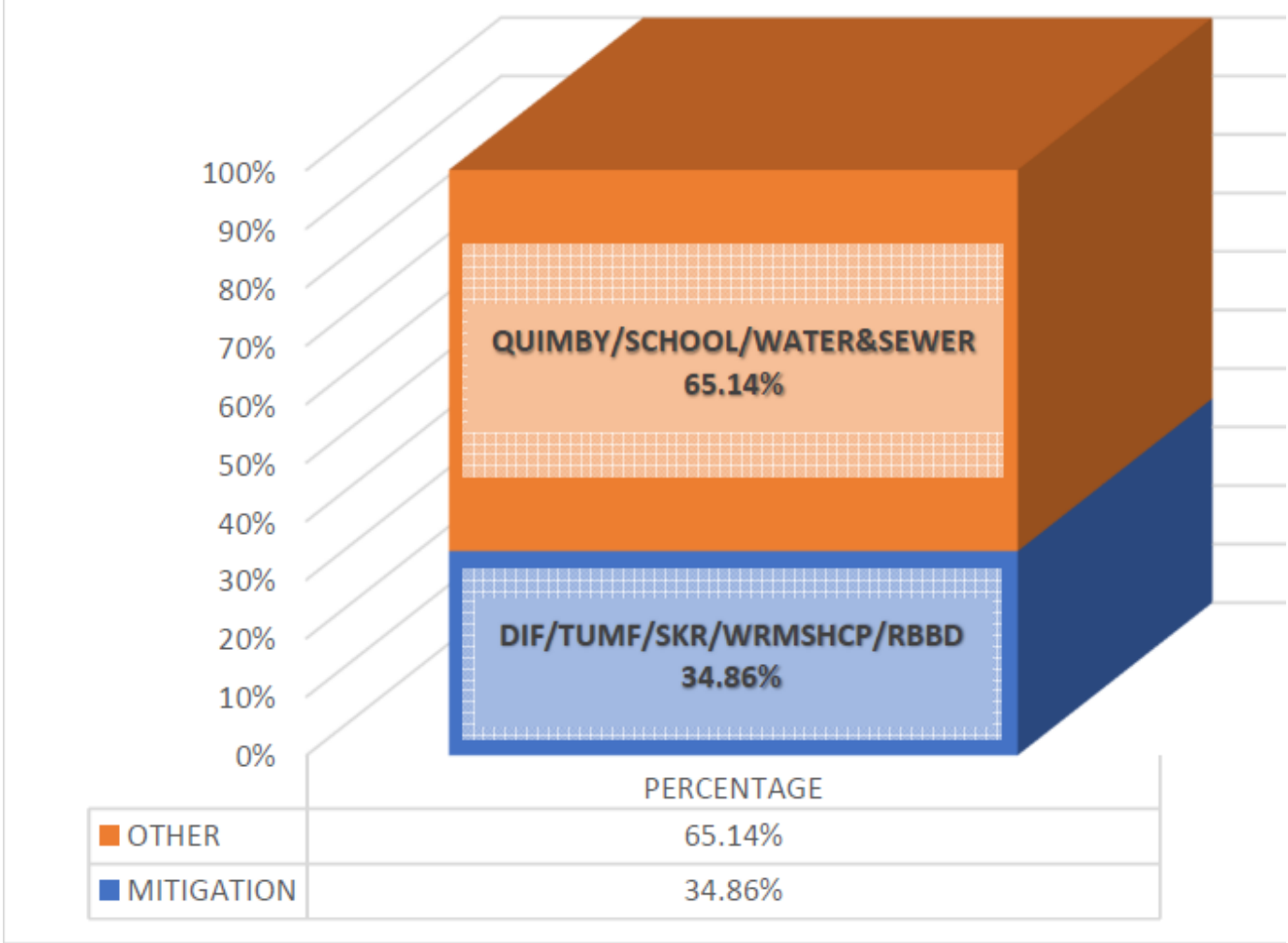


# Fee Programs Have Supported Population Growth

- Over \$1 Billion invested to directly deliver infrastructure that supports growth – expand freeways, highways, interchanges, bridges
- Over 155,000 acres of open space preserved for over 150 protected species
- Results:
  - Provide means to build infrastructure
  - Protect open space
  - Reduce public pressures against growth



# Local Mitigation Fees Are Only Part of the Picture



# How Do We Provide for Housing Growth into the Future?

- Mitigation fees provide a needed way to build infrastructure and open space— part of the funding and investment picture
- Mitigation Fees provide CEQA and Federal permitting mitigation – what is the alternative?
- Leads to more equitable cost sharing



# How Do We Provide for Housing Growth into the Future?

- Need for greater direct State investment in infrastructure
- Align State funding programs with RHNA numbers – Target Investment
- Explore innovative ways to combine CEQA reform, review State regulations for consistency with housing policy
- Involvement of local agencies and regional bodies to move the needle in a collaborative way that lessens growth impacts and reduces costs