Joint Meeting of the Board of Trustees and Investment Advisory Committee





Public Agenda #6

Call Meeting of the Board of Trustees to Order



Public Agenda #7

Call Meeting of the Investment Advisory Committee to Order



Public Agenda #8

Consideration of the Minutes to the May 11, 2022 Joint Meeting of the Board of Trustees and Investment Advisory Committee – (Action)



Questions? Action Item



Public Agenda Item #9

Introduction of Newly Appointed Trustee

August 24, 2022 Porter Wilson, Executive Director

ERS Welcomes John Rutherford



John R. Rutherford appointed to the ERS Board of Trustees in May 2022 by Governor Greg Abbott.

- Term expires August 31, 2024
- Extensive career in private sector, specialized in energy.
- BBA, UT Austin
- MBA, Finance, Wharton School of Business





Questions?



Public Agenda Item #10

Quarterly Report from Chief Investment Officer

August 24, 2022

David T. Veal, Chief Investment Officer, CFA, CAIA, FRM

Trust Performance

Mission & Objectives



Prudently maintain a high-performing, well-diversified, and costeffective portfolio to support the provision of promised benefits.



Add value vs. benchmark over rolling five-year periods



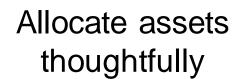
Earn appropriate returns for the risks assumed

Trust Performance

Investment Strategy









Select effective managers

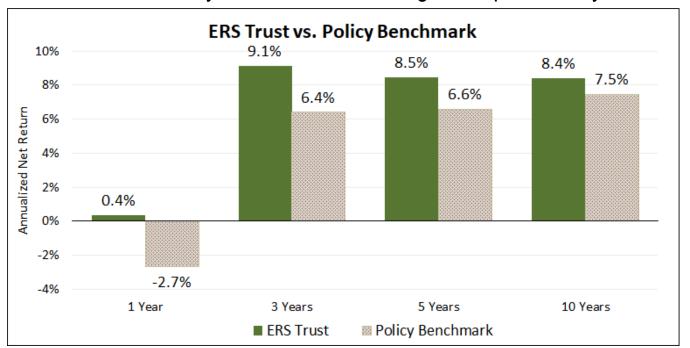


Diversify across risks

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Relative Return

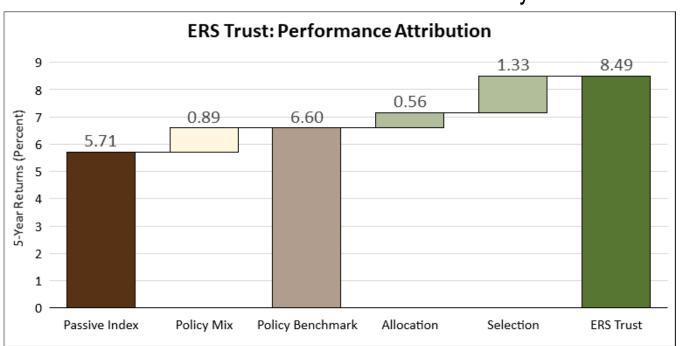
Strong performance vs. Policy Benchmark, including 189 bps on a 5-year basis



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Attribution Analysis

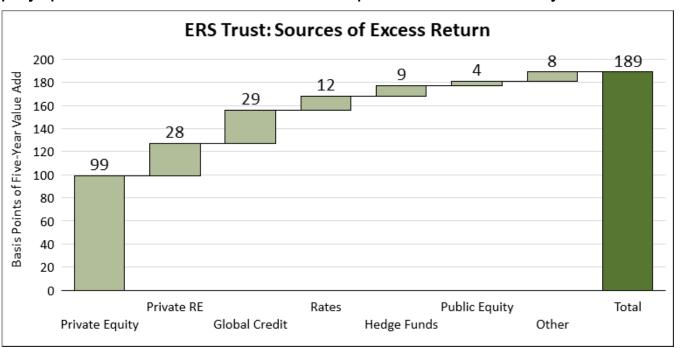
Meaningful excess return from both asset allocation and security selection decisions



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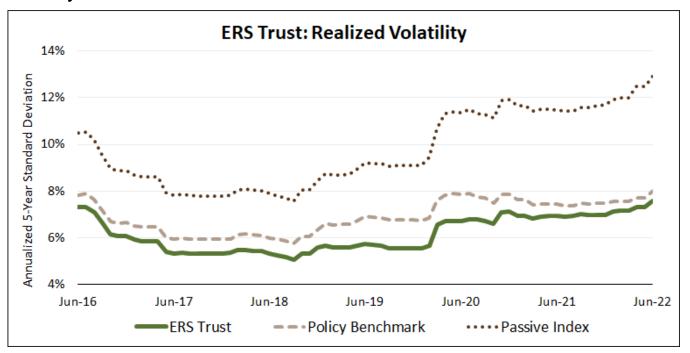
Private equity, private real estate, and credit represent 83% of five-year value add



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Absolute Risk

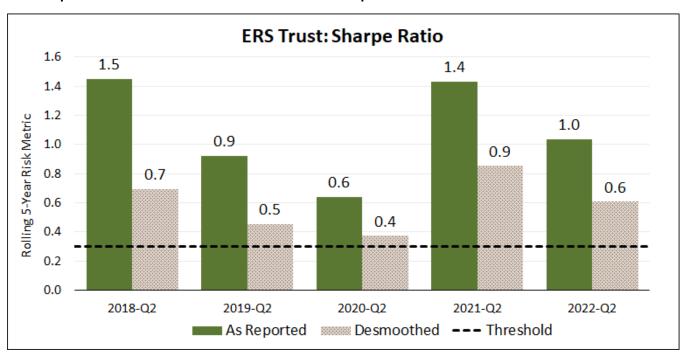
Realized volatility levels now at 8% as the Passive Index reaches 13%



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Risk-Adjusted Returns

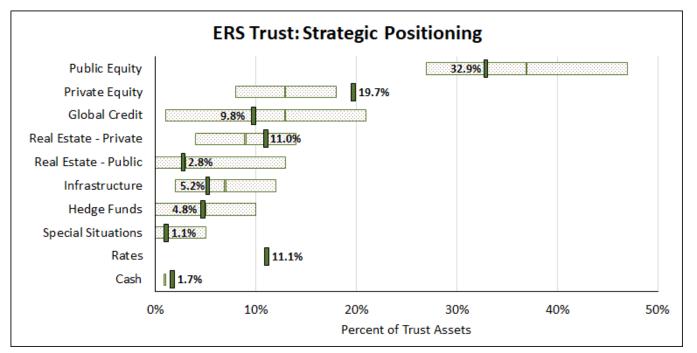
Good returns per unit of risk, even when compared to risk levels of the Passive Index



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Asset Class Positioning

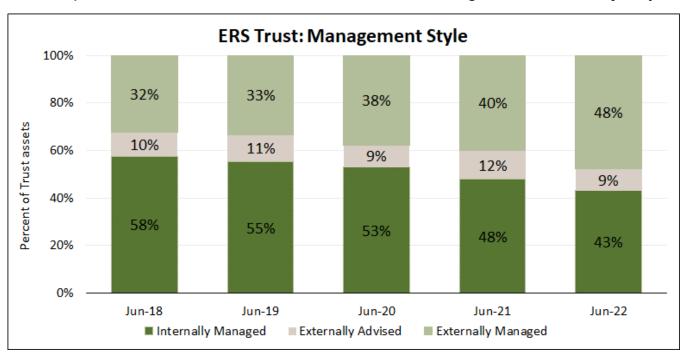
Asset classes within ranges except private equity at 1.7% above 18% maximum



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Management Style

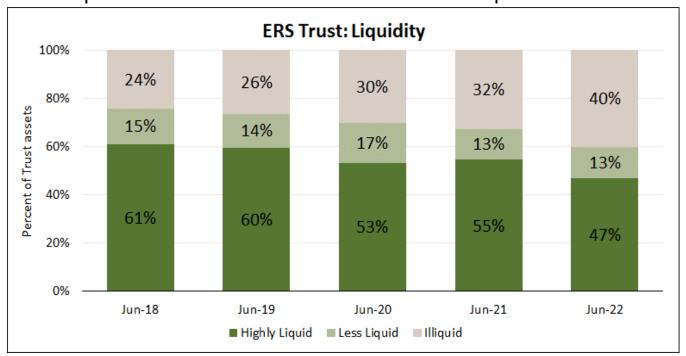
Mix shift toward private markets has made external management the majority



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Liquidity Mix

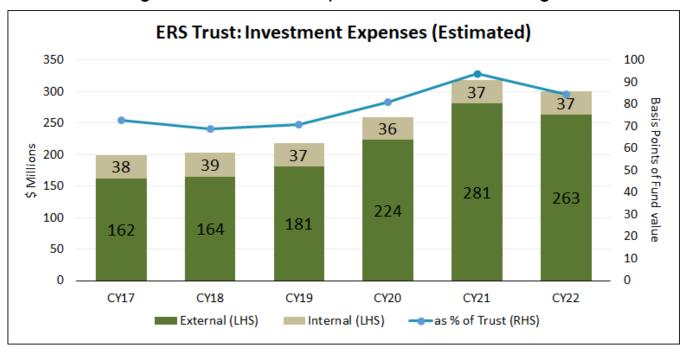
Mix shift toward private markets has made the Trust less liquid over time



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Investment Expenses

Expense levels declining in 2022 with less profit share than during 2021

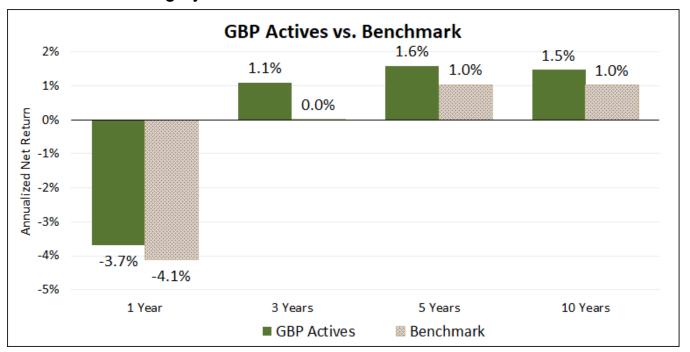


GBP Funds Performance



Programs for Actives (i.e., Insurance Benefits Fund)

Good performance vs. highly conservative benchmark, funds now total \$3.3 billion.



Priorities for Fiscal Year 2022

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Investments Division

- Revisit organizational structure
- Update key policies and procedures
- Complete Asset/Liability Study
- Address consultant & audit recommendations

Investment Division

Governance Structure



IIP and SOPs guide Staff in day-to-day execution of the IPS

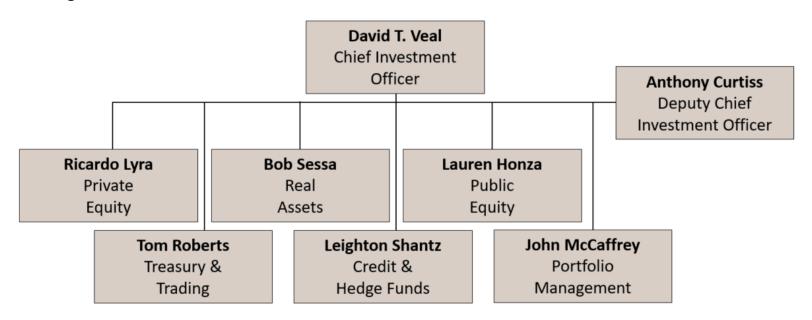
DOCUMENT	OWNER	SUBJECTS
Investment Policy Statement	Board/IAC with input from Staff, Consultant	Philosophy, Strategy and Authority
Investment Implementation Plan	CIO, DCIO and Risk Committee	Team Structure and Portfolio Guidelines
Standard Operating Procedures	DCIO and Program Heads	Routine Processes and Related Actions

Investment Division

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Organizational Structure

New organizational structure streamlines asset classes into teams



Public Equity

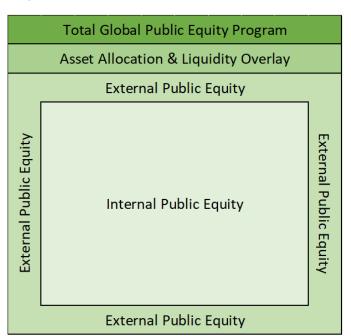
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Organizational Restructuring

Simplify and streamline to improve long-term performance

NUMBER OF PORTFOLIOS				
Geography	Internal	External	Total	
US	3	2	5	
International	5	15	20	
Global	0	1	1	
TOTAL	8	18	26	





Investment Policy Statement

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Annual Update Process

- Board requires review of IPS by staff at least annually
- Review conducted by Investments, Investment Compliance, Office of General Counsel, Executive Office, and General Investment Consultant
- Fresh eyes from CIO, General Counsel, and Compliance Officer
- Draft redline version circulated in July/August for feedback

2022 Asset/Liability Study

Timeline for NEPC



Time Period	Activity
January-March	Receives background information from ERS
April	Conducts initial analysis of information
May	Provides draft findings to the ERS Board
August	Delivers final report to the ERS Board

Priorities for Fiscal Year 2023

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Investments Division

- Focus on attracting and retaining talent
- Continue to improve key processes
- Conduct governance review with NEPC
- Sustaining the success of new initiatives



Questions?



Public Agenda Item #11

*Consideration of Quarterly Review of Investment Performance and Risk Update

August 24, 2022

David T. Veal, Chief Investment Officer, CFA, CAIA, FRM Carlos Chujoy, CFA, Director of Risk Management and Applied Research Sam Austin, Partner, NEPC





QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE REPORT

EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS



AUGUST 24, 2022

Sam Austin, Partner Michael Malchenko, Consultant



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ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

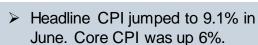


The S&P 500 had its worst start since 1970

- Large-Cap stocks outperformed Small-Cap, and Value outperformed Growth.
- Global markets continued to broadly decline.



Inflation keeps accelerating



➤ The Federal Reserve raised its benchmark interest rate by 75 basis points, the largest hike since 1994.

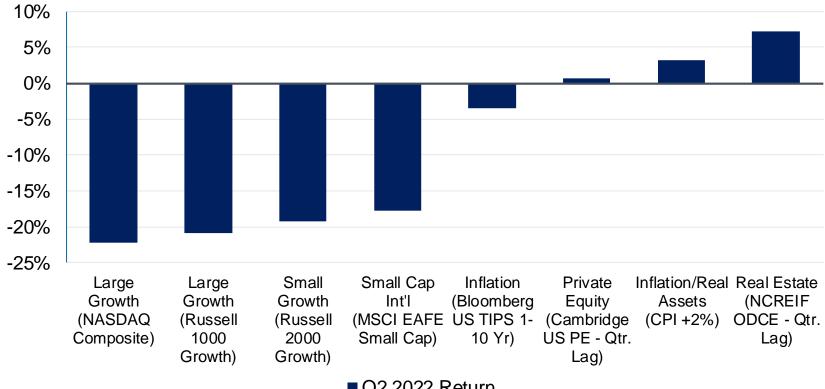


U.S. recession looming

- ➤ A second consecutive quarterly contraction will push the economy into a recession.
- Fears are growing regarding the length and severity of a downturn.



BEST AND WORST PERFORMING BENCHMARKS





Q2 2022 Return



ERS TRUST DASHBOARD

Performance		CYTD	FYTD 2022
Total Trust		-6.7%	
Policy Benchmark		-8.1%	
Excess Return		1.4%	
Risk Statistics	5-`	5-Year	
	Sharpe Ratio	Sortino Ratio RF	Tracking Error
Total Trust	1.0	1.5	2.2%
Policy Benchmark	0.7	1.0	-
Attribution Summary			
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Global Public Equity (+0.7%) and Private Equity (+0.5%) contributed positively versus the Policy Benchmark.

Largest Detractors (Quarter)

Infrastructure (-0.4%) and Absolute Return (-0.1%) contributed negatively versus the Policy Benchmark.



ERS TRUST DASHBOARD

Profile Profil					
Market Value at June 30, 2022	\$33.03 Billion				
Actuarial Accrued Liability August 31, 2021	\$44.2 Billion				
Actuarial Value of Assets August 31, 2021	\$30.1 Billion				
ERS Trust Funded Ratio August 31, 2021	68.0%				
Actuarial Assumed Rate of Return	7.00%				
Retirees and Beneficiaries August 31, 2021	120,294				
Retirement Payments Year Ended August 31, 2021	\$2.79 Billion				







TOTAL TRUST PERFORMANCE DETAIL (NET OF FEES)

	Market Value	3 Мо	Fiscal YTD	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs
Total Trust	\$33,028,200,122	-5.2%	-3.2%	0.4%	9.1%	8.5%	8.4%
Policy Benchmark		-6.6%	-5.6%	-2.7%	6.4%	6.6%	7.5%
Passive Index		-13.4%	-17.0%	-14.8%	4.8%	5.7%	7.2%

- One-year period ended June 30, 2022, the Trust outperformed the policy benchmark by 3.1%.
- In the one-year period, the Trust's assets decreased from \$33.90 billion to \$33.03 billion. This includes a \$144 million net investment gain within the one-year period and a \$1.81 billion net investment loss within the second calendar quarter of 2022.



Note: Passive Index is comprised of 79% MSCI ACWI IMI and 21% Bloomberg Intermediate Treasury Index. Index definitions can be found in the appendix.

TOTAL TRUST PERFORMANCE DETAIL (NET OF FEES)

3 Years Ending June 30, 2022								
	Anlzd Ret	Anlzd Std Dev	Sharpe Ratio	Sortino Ratio RF				
Total Trust	9.1%	8.4%	1.0	1.6				
Policy Benchmark	6.4%	8.2%	0.7	1.1				
5 Years Ending June 30, 2022								
	Anlzd Ret	Anlzd Std Dev	Sharpe Ratio	Sortino Ratio RF				
Total Truct	0 50/	7 50/	1 0	1 5				
Total Trust Policy Benchmark	8.5% 6.6%	7.5% 8.0%	1.0	1.5 1.0				

- The three-year and five-year Trust returns have outperformed the actuarial rate of return.
- On a risk-adjusted basis, the three-year and five-year Sharpe and Sortino Ratios outperformed the benchmark, indicating that active management benefitted the plan.

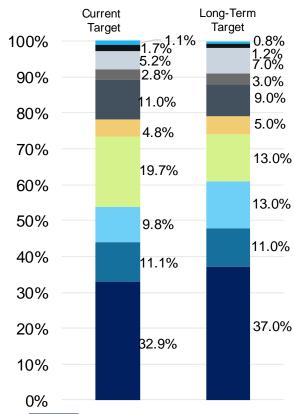


TOTAL TRUST ASSET GROWTH SUMMARY

Summary of Cash Flows						
	Last Three Months	Fiscal Year-To-Date	One Year	Three Years	Five Years	
Beginning Market Value	\$35,211,542,388	\$34,909,583,238	\$33,902,876,973	\$28,668,965,891	\$26,979,126,647	
Contributions	\$2,377,145,673	\$10,849,283,938	\$14,736,024,186	\$48,126,835,826	\$67,452,073,750	
Withdrawals	-\$2,749,518,170	-\$11,625,242,743	-\$15,755,163,030	-\$51,814,852,805	-\$73,548,359,159	
Net Cash Flow	-\$372,372,497	-\$775,953,571	-\$1,019,133,610	-\$3,687,802,045	-\$6,084,160,627	
Net Investment Change	-\$1,810,969,770	-\$1,105,429,546	\$144,456,759	\$8,047,036,275	\$12,133,234,101	
Ending Market Value	\$33,028,200,122	\$33,028,200,122	\$33,028,200,122	\$33,028,200,122	\$33,028,200,122	



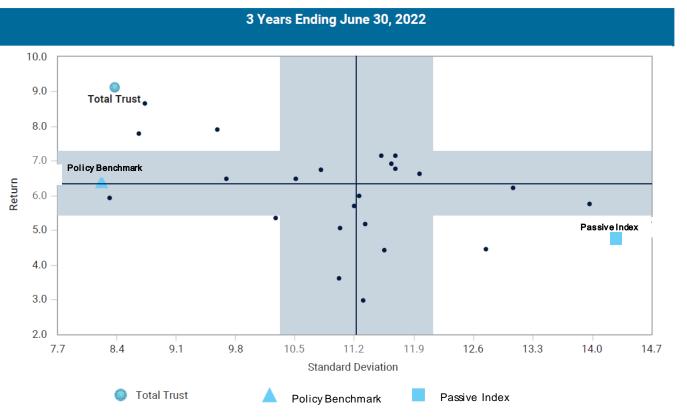
TRUST ASSET ALLOCATION VS. POLICY TARGETS



	Asset Allocation on June 30, 2022					
	Current	Current	Long- Term Target	Long-Term Target Range		
Public Equity	\$10,857,670,278	32.9%	37.0%	27.0% - 47.0%		
Total Rates	\$3,665,910,317	11.1%	11.0%			
Global Credit	\$3,234,187,647	9.8%	13.0%	1.0% - 21.0%		
Private Equity	\$6,512,688,775	19.7%	13.0%	8.0% - 18.0%		
Absolute Return	\$1,570,777,499	4.8%	5.0%	0.0% - 10.0%		
Real Estate - Private	\$3,629,792,701	11.0%	9.0%	4.0% - 14.0%		
Real Estate - Public	\$914,242,888	2.8%	3.0%	0.0% - 13.0%		
Infrastructure	\$1,719,690,661	5.2%	7.0%	2.0% - 12.0%		
Cash	\$562,180,302	1.7%	1.2%			
Special Situations	\$361,059,052	1.1%	0.8%	0.0% - 5.0%		
Total	\$33,028,200,122	100%	100.0%			



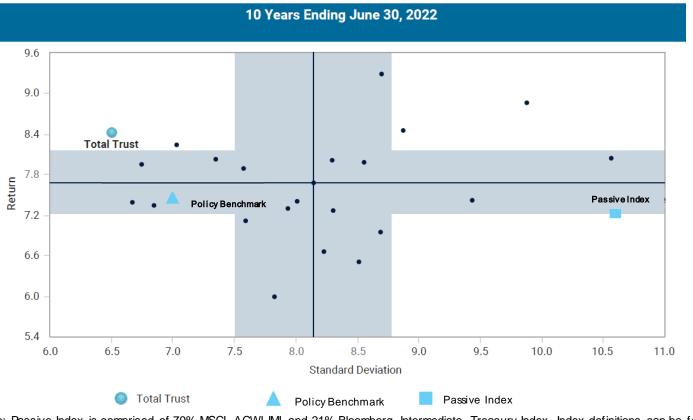
TOTAL TRUST RISK/RETURN





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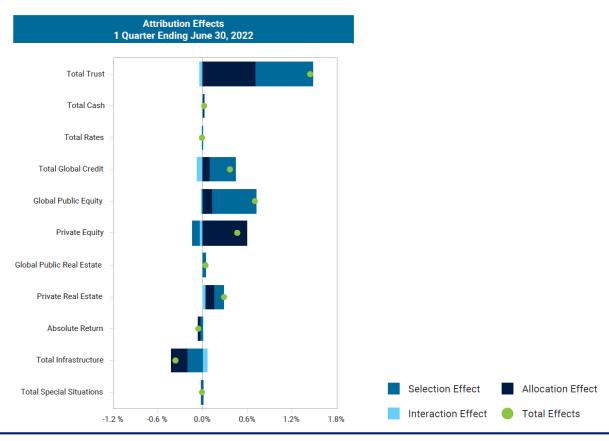
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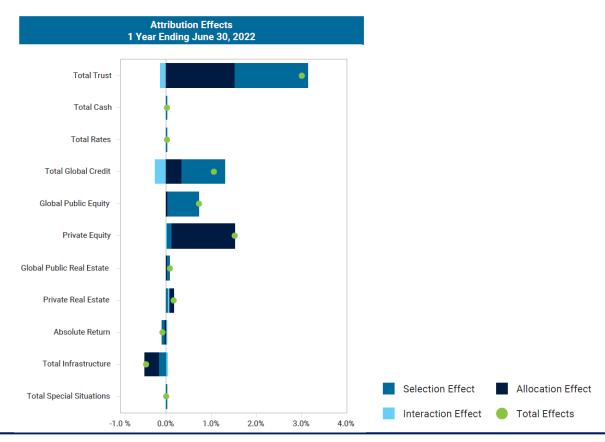
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LONG TERM INVESTMENT RESULTS

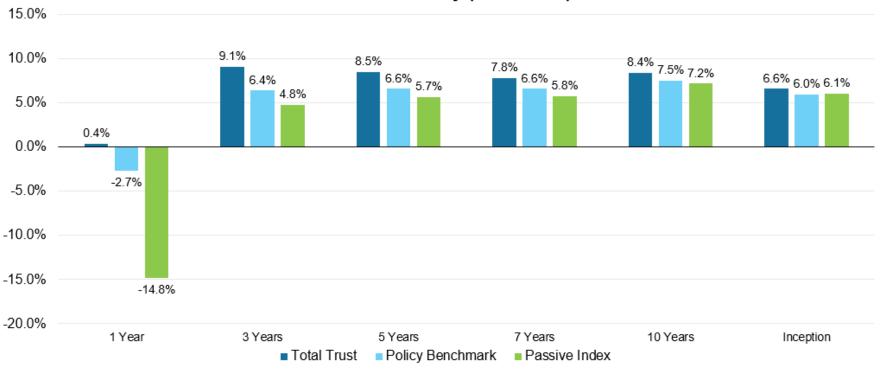




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LONG TERM INVESTMENT RESULTS

Return Summary (net of fees)





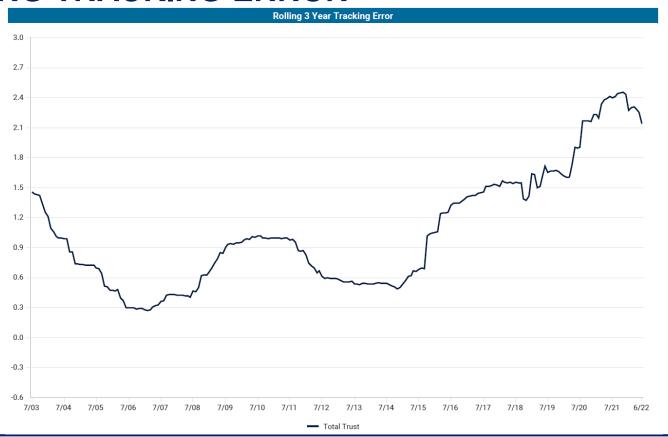
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ROLLING INFORMATION RATIO





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PERFORMANCE SUMMARY COMMENTARY

- Over the past 10 years, Total Trust returns outperformed the Policy Benchmark by 0.9% and outperformed the Plan's actuarial rate of return of 7.0% by 1.4%.
- In the one-year period ended June 30, 2022, the Trust outperformed the Policy Benchmark by 3.1%.
 - The largest contributors to performance against the benchmark were Private Equity (+1.5%), Global Credit (+1.1%), and Public Equity (+0.7%).
 - The detractors against the benchmark were Infrastructure (-0.4%) and Absolute Return (-0.1%).
- In the past one-year, portfolio positioning at the asset class level contributed +1.5% to Total Trust returns versus the policy benchmark.
 - An overweight position to Private Equity contributed positively (+1.4%).
 - An underweight position in Global Credit contributed positively (+0.3%).
 - An underweight position in Infrastructure contributed negatively (-0.3%).





Risk Management & Applied Research Risk Update

Carlos Chujoy, CFA, Director of Risk Management & Applied Research

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Agenda

- Key Takeaways
- Headwinds and Tailwinds

Market Conditions

ERS Trust Portfolio Review

Key Takeaways



- Financial conditions continued to tighten up
 - Interest rates on the rise at a rapid pace
 - Economic slowdown
 - Recession fears
- Risk indicators at stressed levels
- Sharp market correction and increased market pessimism
- Positive ERS' Trust relative performance

Second Quarter of 2022



Headwinds

- Acceleration in the pace of rate increases
- Economic slowdown
- Recession risk
- Risky assets under pressure

Tailwinds

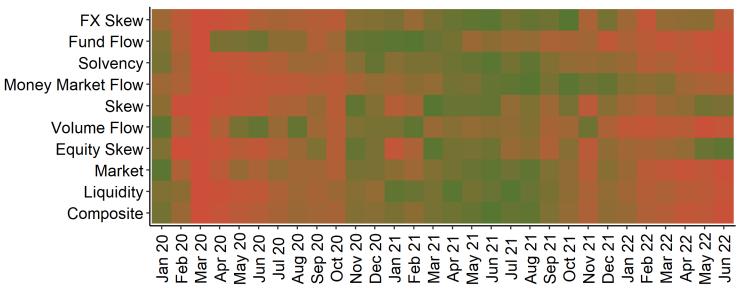
Signs of inflation rate stabilizing

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Market Conditions - Market Stress

Heatmap of Global Stress Financial Indicators

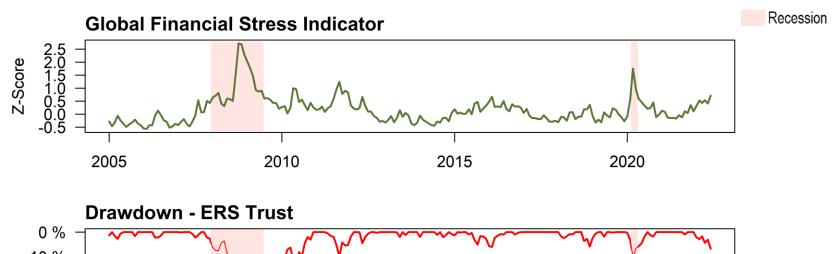
Over the preceding 30-month period ending June 2022

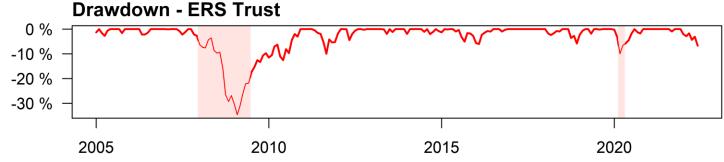


Source: ERS, Bloomberg, Bank of America

Market Conditions – Market Stress







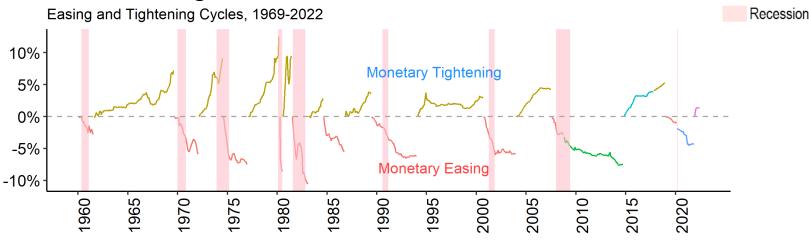
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Market Conditions – Interest Rate Risk





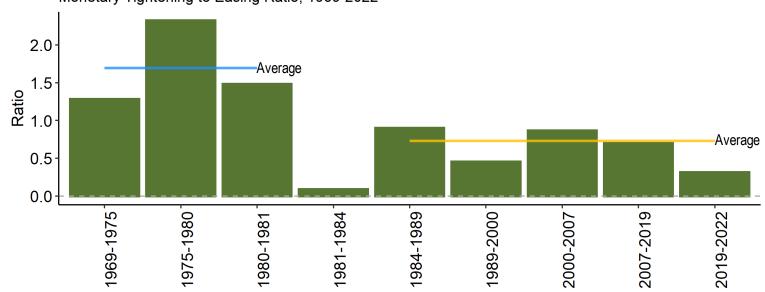
- Monetary Policy Easing
 GFC QE
 Pandemic QE 2000
- Monetary Policy Tightening
 Tapering of GFC QE
 Post Pandemic QE Tapering



Market Conditions – Interest Rate Risk

US Interest Regimes



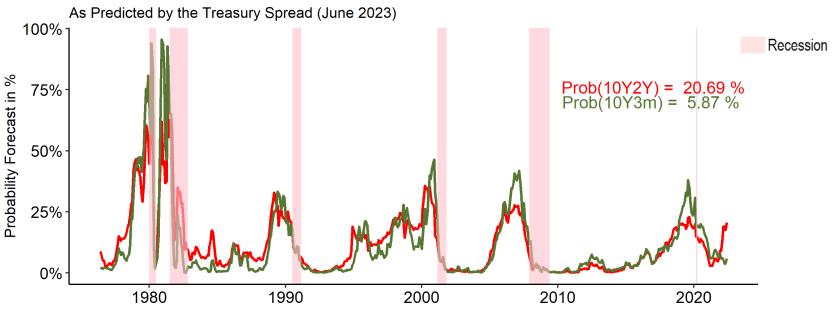


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Market Conditions – Monetary Policy Risk

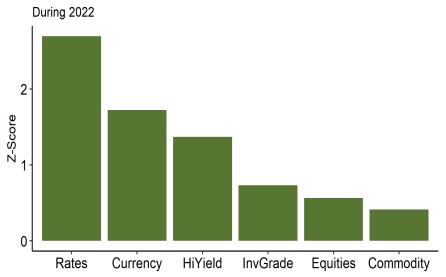
Probability of a US Recession Twelve Months Ahead



Market Conditions - Market Risk



Rates Volatility has been the main driver of risk



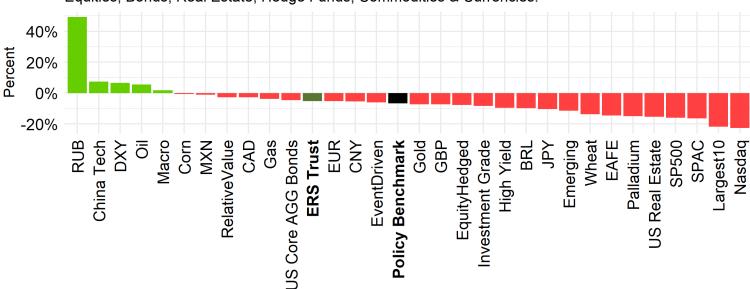
- The rise in rates volatility stemmed from tightening financial conditions
- When rates volatility is high relative to the markets, market volatility tends to rise over the following months
- In this context, rising volatility is generally associated with market pullbacks

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Market Conditions – Market Performance

2Q Returns

Equities, Bonds, Real Estate, Hedge Funds, Commodities & Currencies.



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Market Conditions – Inflation Risk

World and Regional Inflation

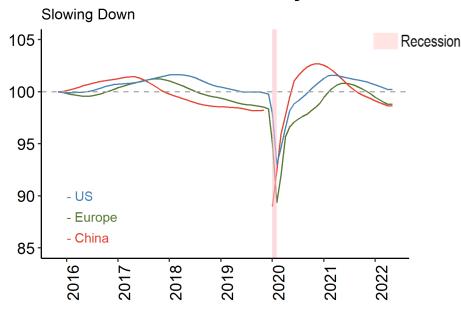


Market Conditions – Economic Activity

Manufacturing	PMI's	around the	World
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Manufacturing PMI's around the World						
	2021-06-30	2021-09-30	2021-12-31	2022-03-31	2022-06-30	
Regions						
Global	55.50	54.10	54.30	52.90	52.20	
Developed	59.50	57.10	56.60	56.50	52.50	
Emerging	51.30	50.80	51.70	49.20	51.70	
America						
USA	60.90	60.50	58.80	57.10	53.00	
Canada	56.50	57.00	56.50	58.90	54.60	
Mexico	48.80	48.60	49.40	49.20	52.20	
Europe						
Europe	63.40	58.60	58.00	56.50	52.10	
Germany	65.10	58.40	57.40	56.90	52.00	
UK	63.90	57.10	57.90	55.20	52.80	
France	59.00	55.00	55.60	54.70	51.40	
Ita l y	62.20	59.70	62.00	55.80	50.90	
Spain	60.40	58.10	56.20	54.20	52.60	
Asia						
China	50.90	49.60	50.30	49.50	50.20	
Japan	52.40	51.50	54.30	54.10	52.70	

Global Economic Activitiy





Market Conditions – Market Performance

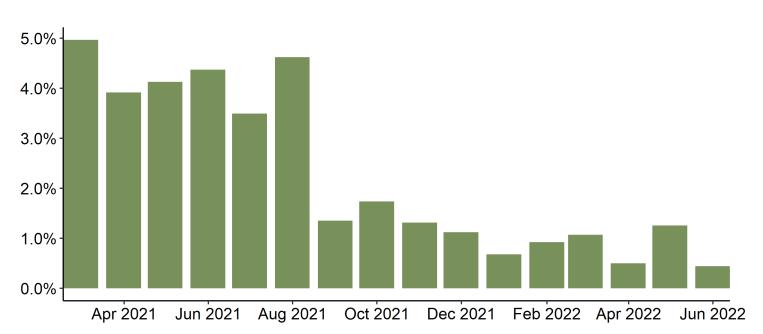
Business Cycle Is A Major Driver Of Market Performance



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ERS Trust - Portfolio Review

ERS' Return Seeking Relative Policy Weight



Source: ERS, BNYM

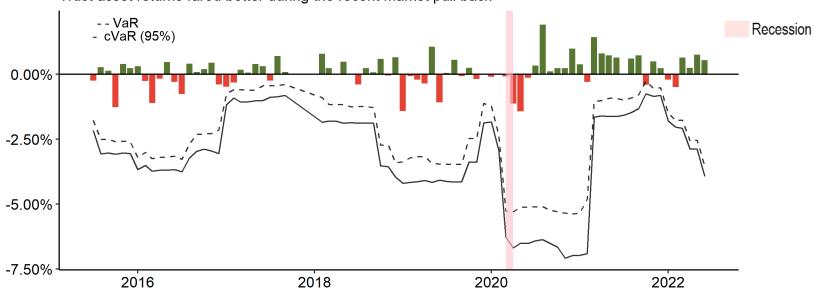
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ERS Trust - Portfolio Review



ERS' Monthly Excess Return and Left Tail Risk

Trust asset returns fared better during the recent market pull back



Source: ERS, BNYM



Questions?



Public Agenda Item #12

Consideration of 2022 Asset Liability Study - (Action)

August 24, 2022

David T. Veal, Chief Investment Officer, CFA, CAIA, FRM Sam Austin, Partner, NEPC Rob Goldthorpe, Investment Director, NEPC



EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS

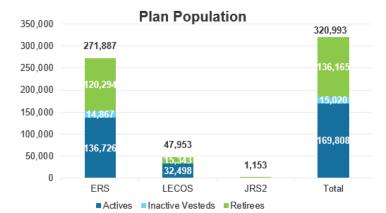
UPDATES SINCE PRELIMINARY RESULTS

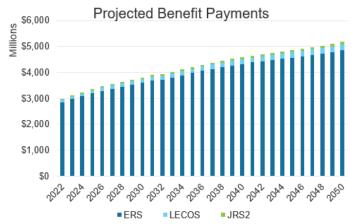
- Discussions and data provided by GRS was instrumental in improving Legacy Contribution projections
 - Main adjustment was reduction in future normal cost that now allows for more of the unfunded liability to be paid down faster resulting in lower projected legacy contributions
- Updating models to incorporate most recent NEPC capital market outlook
 - Mean-variance assumptions were updated from 12/31/21 to 6/30/22
 - Interest rate outlook has changed significantly over this time frame
- Run alternative mixes to provide comparative analysis alongside the Current Policy allocation
 - Mix A & Mix B: realistic mixes that marginally adjusts current targets
 - Mix C: mix that illustrates the potential of maintaining higher current targets to private equity and adding to hedge funds
 - Lower Risk/Higher Risk: illustrative mixes that provide bookends in terms of risk/return



PLAN CHARACTERISTICS

- The Texas ERS administers 3 pension plans
 - Employees Retirement System (ERS)
 - Law Enforcement and Custodial Officer Supplemental Retirement Fund (LECOS)
 - Judicial Retirement System Plan 2 (JRS2)
- ERS is by far the main cost driver
 - Consists of 85% of all participants and 95% of all liabilities
- As of August 31, 2021 Texas ERS is 68.0% funded based on a smoothed asset value
 - 76.0% funded on a market value basis
- Due to recent legislative changes, ERS is now on a better path toward full funding
 - "Legacy Payments" are now appropriated in order to reach full funding by 2054
- Asset allocation has followed a diversified total return approach with a mix of public and private equity, debt and real estate along with hedge funds
 - 30-yr expected return of 7.3% vs. 7.0% liability discount rate

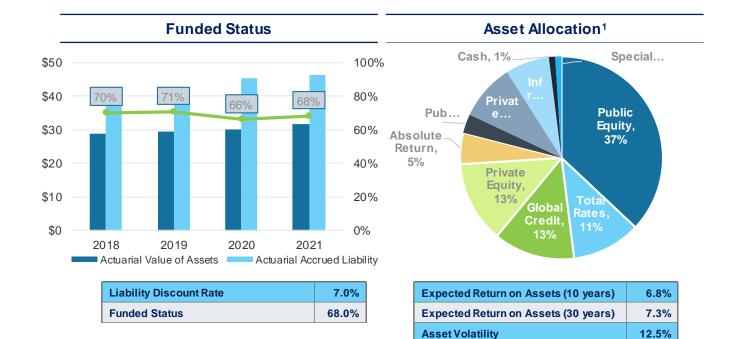






Notes: Source: GRS

PLAN RISK PROFILE





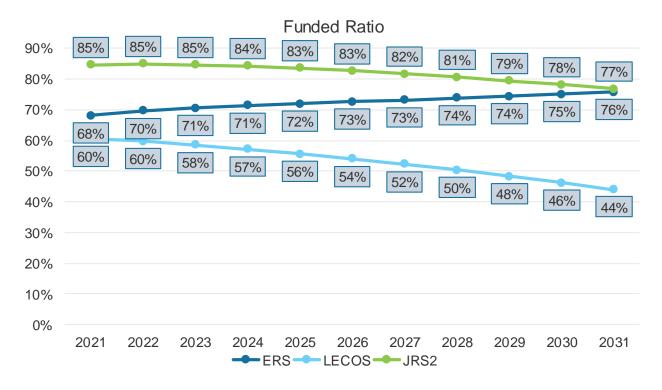
10-YR FUNDED STATUS PROJECTION – TOTAL SYSTEM





Notes: As of August 31; Reflects return of -3.2% return thru 6/30/22, thereafter Current Policy allocation 10-yr expected return of 6.8% per annum

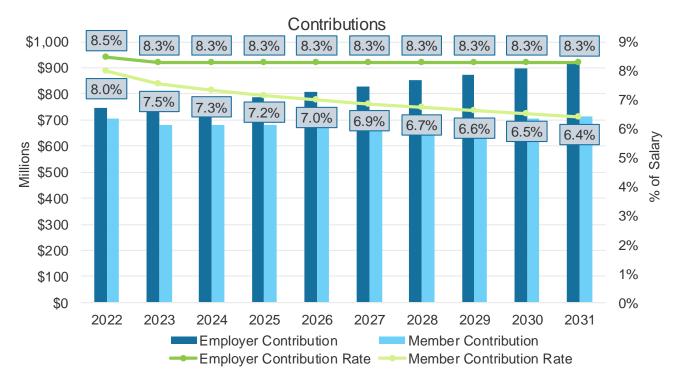
10-YR FUNDED STATUS PROJECTION - PLAN LEVEL





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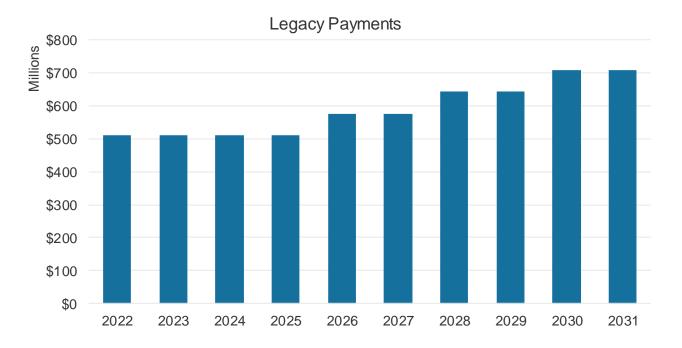
10-YR CONTRIBUTION PROJECTION - TOTAL SYSTEM





Notes: For the fiscal year ending August 31; Reflects return of -3.2% return thru 6/30/22, thereafter Current Policy allocation 10-yr expected return of 6.8% per annum

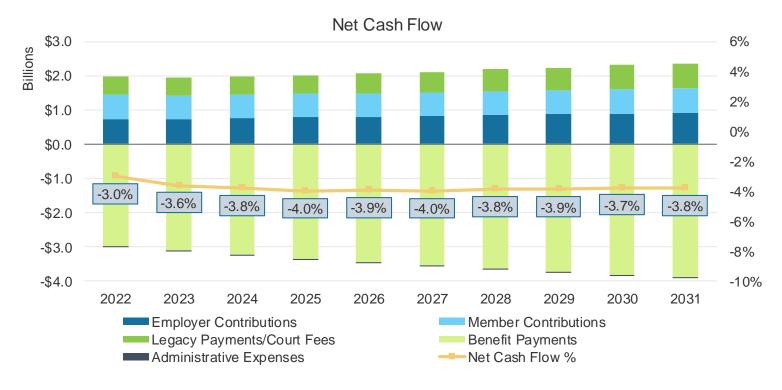
10-YR CONTRIBUTION PROJECTION - ERS LEGACY PAYMENTS





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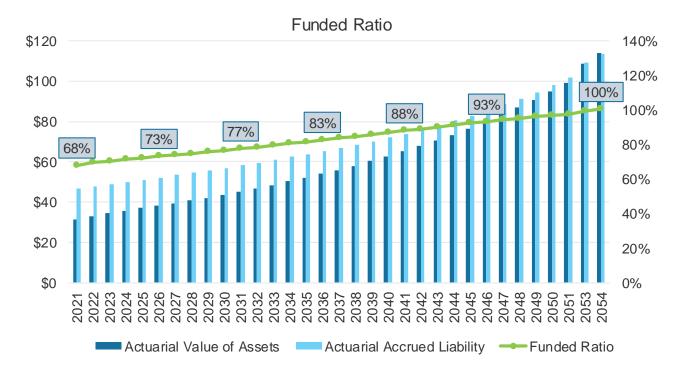
10-YR NET CASH FLOW - TOTAL SYSTEM





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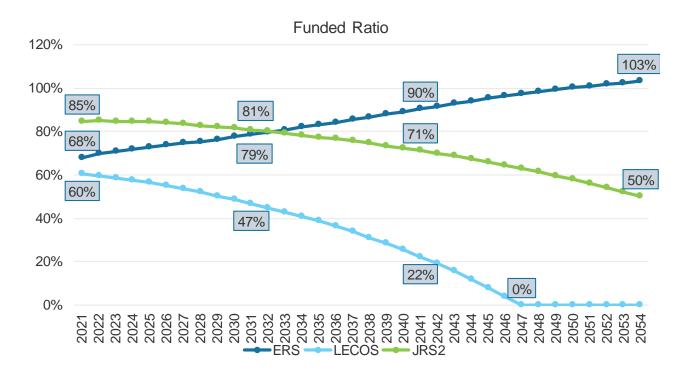
30-YR FUNDED STATUS PROJECTION – TOTAL SYSTEM





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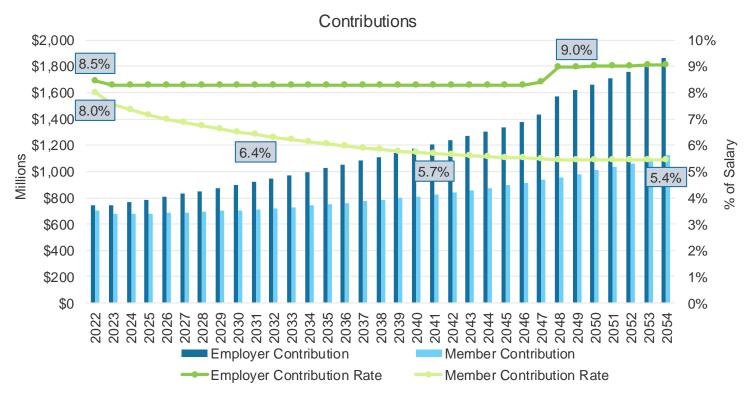
30-YR FUNDED STATUS PROJECTION - PLAN LEVEL





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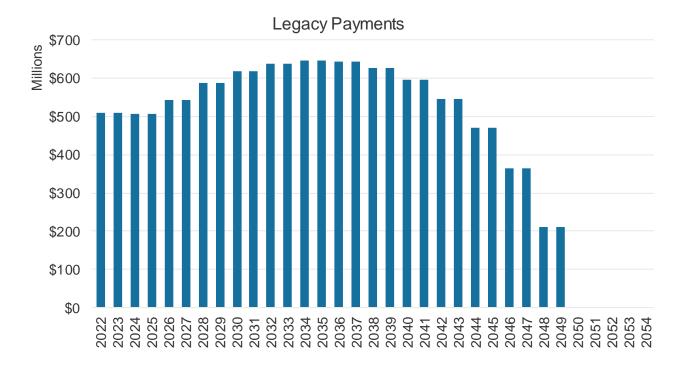
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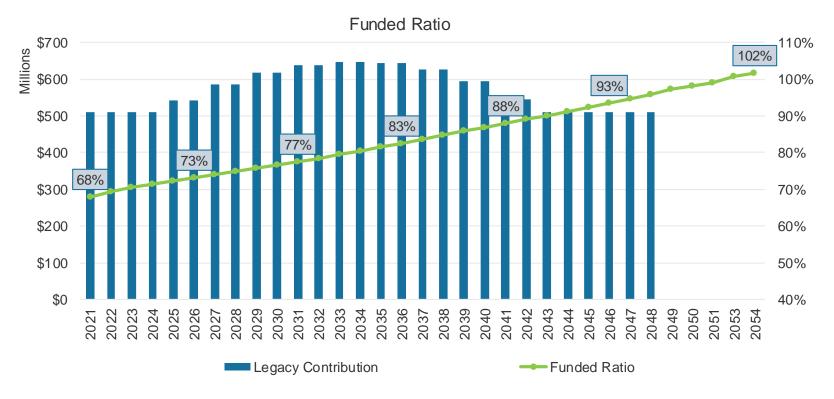
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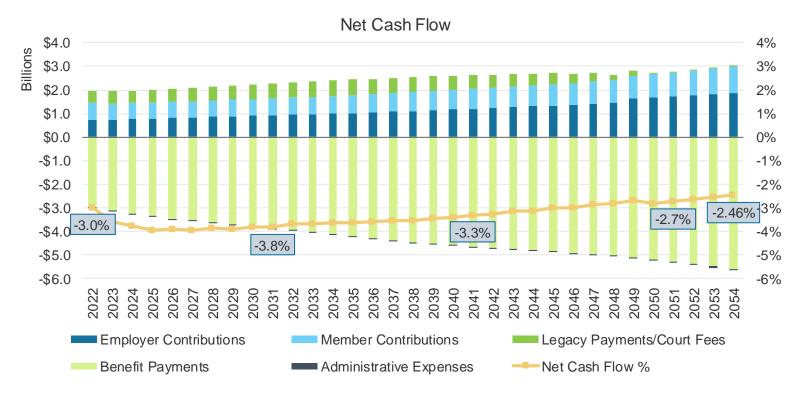
\$510 MILLION FLOOR ON LEGACY PAYMENTS





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30-YR NET CASH FLOW - TOTAL SYSTEM





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ALTERNATIVE ASSET ALLOCATIONS

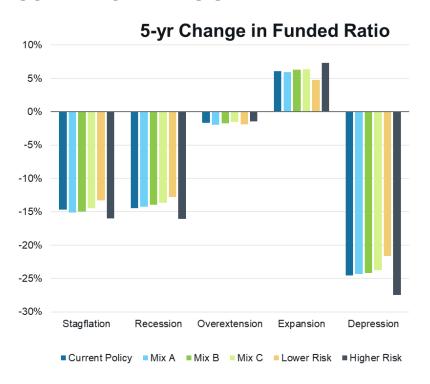
	Current Policy	Mix A	Mix B	Mix C	Lower Risk	Higher Risk
Cash	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%
Public Equity	37%	37%	35%	32%	30%	45%
Private Equity	13%	13%	16%	20%	13%	13%
Rates	11%	13%	12%	11%	19%	3%
Global Credit	13%	10%	12%	11%	10%	15%
Absolute Return	5%	6%	6%	8%	7%	3%
Public Real Estate	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Private Real Estate	9%	9%	9%	9%	9%	9%
Infrastructure	7%	6%	5%	5%	7%	7%
Special Situations	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%

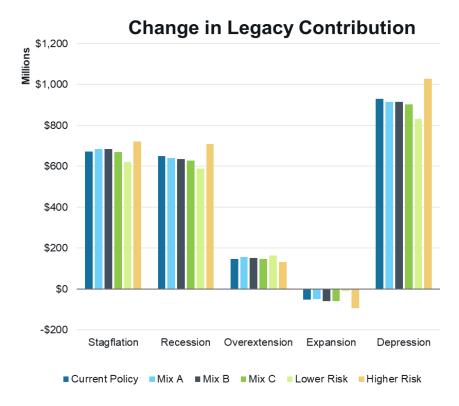
Expected Return 10 yrs	6.8%	6.7%	6.9%	7.0%	6.5%	7.0%
Expected Return 30 yrs	7.3%	7.3%	7.5%	7.5%	7.0%	7.6%
Standard Deviation	12.5%	12.3%	13.0%	12.8%	11.1%	13.9%
Sharpe Ratio (10 years)	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.32	0.33	0.30
Sharpe Ratio (30 years)	0.36	0.36	0.35	0.36	0.37	0.34



Notes: Based on NEPC's 6/30/22 capital market assumptions; Allocations may not sum to 100% due to rounding

SCENARIO ANALYSIS

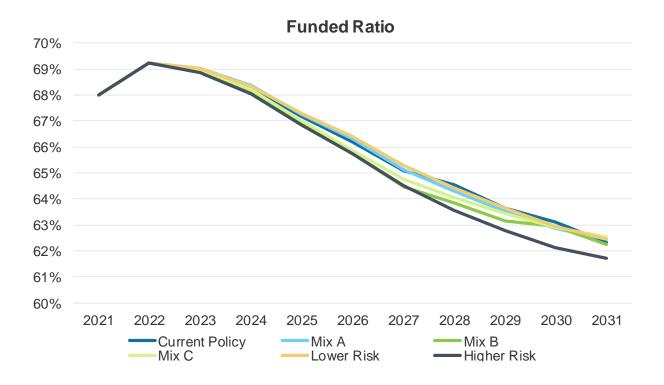








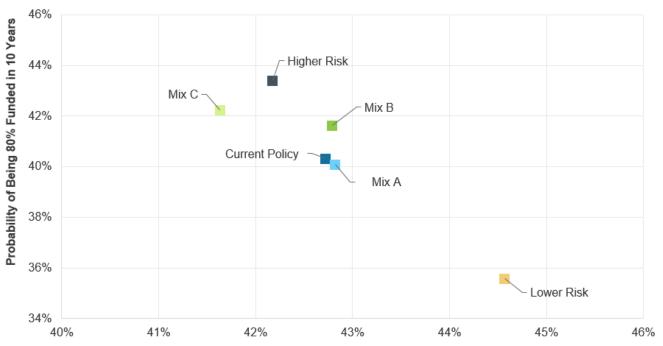
STOCHASTIC ANALYSIS – PESSIMISTIC FUNDED RATIO





Notes: As of August 31; Reflects the 25th percentile funded ratio outcome

STOCHASTIC ANALYSIS - RISK/REWARD TRADEOFF



Probability of Legacy Contribution Exceeding \$750mm In Next 10 Years





Staff Analysis of Asset Liability Study Asset Allocation Mixes

David T. Veal, CFA, CAIA, FRM

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Annual Update Process

- Major changes to SAA parameters are typically paired with A/L Studies
- 2022 A-L Study considers 5 alternate mixes that bracket current policy
- Current Portfolio is also included in this analysis as a reference point
- All figures are for market returns only, assume no implementation gains

Current	Lower	Mix A	Current	Mix B	Mix C	Higher	
Portfolio	Risk	IVIIX A	Policy		IVIIX C	Risk	

Five Key Evaluation Criteria



RETURN

Would the portfolio grow enough to support the goals of ERS?

RISK

Would the portfolio avoid undue concentration in any asset type?

EFFICIENCY

Would the expected risk level be reasonably compensated?

LIQUIDITY

Would the portfolio regularly meet payment obligations?

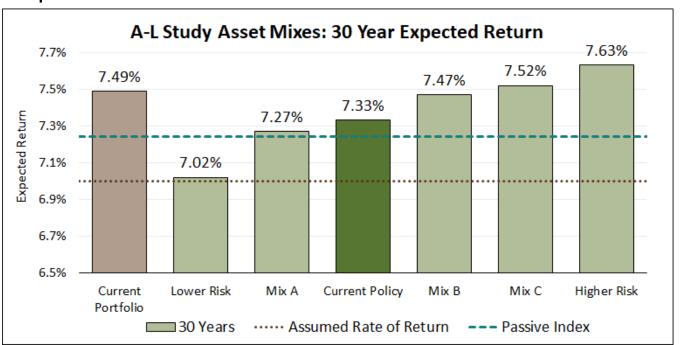
TURNOVER

Would significant reallocation be needed to reach the targets?

Key Criteria: Return



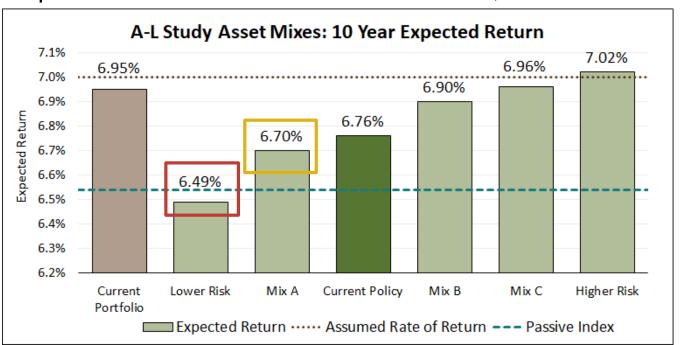
30-year expected returns for most are above ARR and Passive Index



Key Criteria: Return



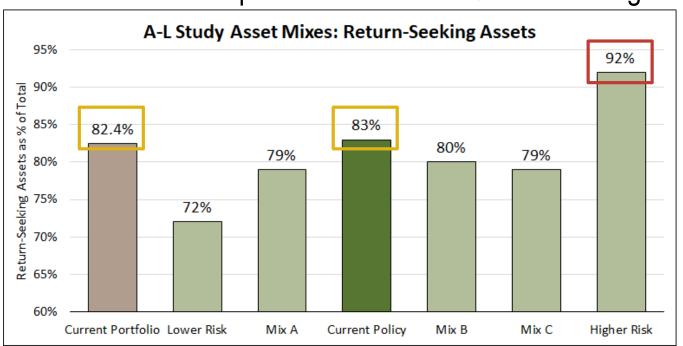
10-year expected returns for most are below ARR, above Passive Index



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Key Criteria: Risk

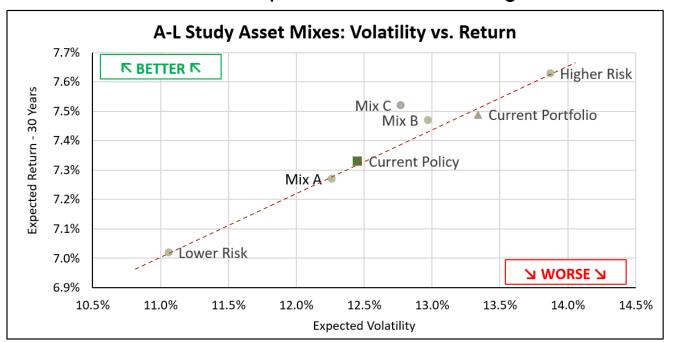
Higher Risk mix well above prudent level of ~80% risk-seeking assets



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Key Criteria: Efficiency

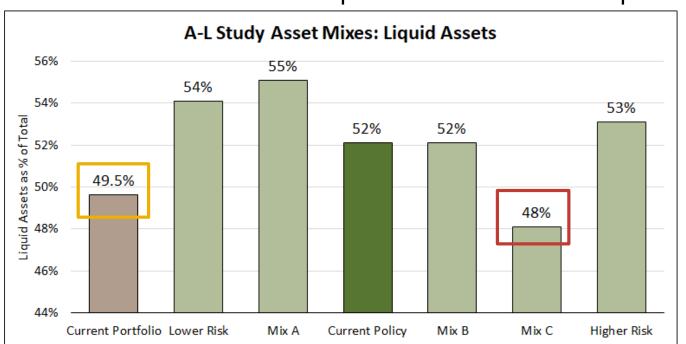
All mixes offer reasonable compensation for bearing market risk



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Key Criteria: Liquidity

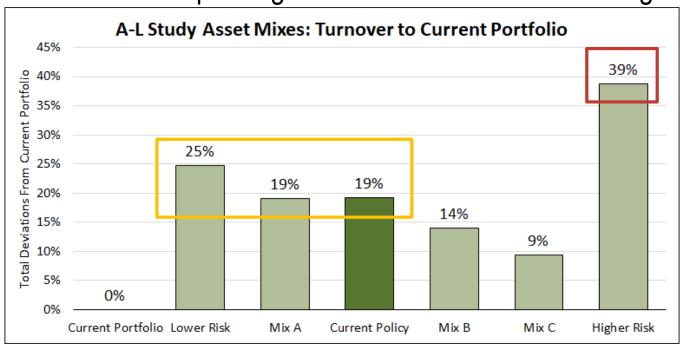
Mix C includes even lower level of liquid assets than current portfolio



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Key Criteria: Turnover

Some mixes would require significant turnover to achieve targets



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Scorecard and Recommendation

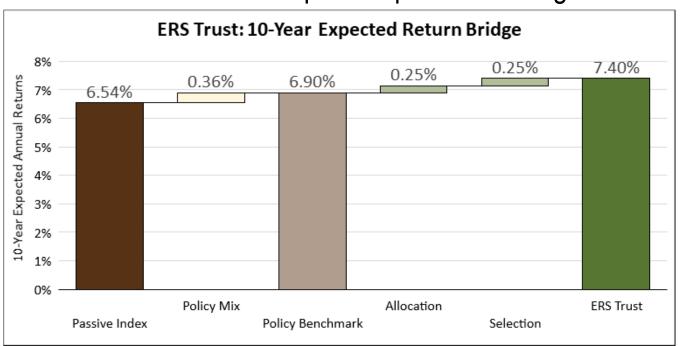
Staff believes Mix B represents the best balance of the evaluation criteria

	Current Portfolio	Lower Risk	Mix A	Current Policy	Mix B	Mix C	Higher Risk
Return	\checkmark	×	×	\checkmark	√	√	\checkmark
Risk	×	\checkmark	\checkmark	×	√	\checkmark	×
Efficiency	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	√	√	\checkmark
Liquidity	×	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	√	×	\checkmark
Turnover	\checkmark	×	×	x	√	√	×

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10-Year Expected Return for Mix B

Target returns of 7.4% with 50 bps of implementation gains annually





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Public Agenda Item #13

Consideration of the Investment Policy Statement – (Action)

August 24, 2022

David T. Veal, Chief Investment Officer, CFA, CAIA, FRM Cynthia Hamilton, General Counsel Kurt Cressotti, Investment Compliance Officer



Process for Developing Recommendations

- Board requires review of IPS by staff at least annually
- Review conducted by Investments, Investment Compliance, Office of General Counsel, Executive Office, and General Investment Consultant
- Fresh eyes from CIO, General Counsel, and Compliance Officer
- Draft redline version circulated in July/August for feedback

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Highlights of Staff Recommendations

- Most significant proposed updates:
 - Update SAA parameters to balance liquidity & returns
 - Address recommendations of NEPC governance report
 - Improve upon Code of Ethics/Standards of Conduct
- Better policies for Scrutinized Investments, GBP Funds
- Priorities of General Counsel and Investment Compliance



Strategic Asset Allocation Parameters

- Mix B increases liquidity, reduces risk and maintains expected return
- Moving closer to current positioning reduces risk of disruption

	Lower Risk	Mix A	Current Policy	Mix B	Mix C	Higher Risk
Return	×	×	✓	✓	✓	✓
Risk	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	✓	×
Efficiency	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Liquidity	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	×	✓
Adjacency	×	×	×	✓	✓	×



Investment Policies, Procedures and Practices

Address recommendations in 2020 governance report from NEPC

- ✓ Comprehensive approach to funding policy
- ✓ Assumed Rate of Return as an explicit goal
- ✓ Clearly define A/L Study and A/A Study
- ✓ Fully document rebalancing process
- ✓ Regular reports on transaction costs, liquidity
- ✓ Valuation Committee referenced in policy
- ✓ Define role of CIO more explicitly
- ✓ Reporting regarding fees and expenses

- Move the Allocations & Ranges Table to appendix
- Adopt a "watch list" policy and process

2023 Governance Review by NEPC

- Kicks off in late 2022/early 2023
- Focus on best-in-class integration of IPS, IIP and SOPs
- Report likely due to Pension Review Board on June 1, 2024



Code of Ethics & Standards of Conduct

- Currently a chapter in the IPS that also references CFA Institute policy
- Many of the CFAI standards are irrelevant to or even confusing for ERS

- Incorporate all relevant CFAI standards into ERS policy
- Add principles from CFA Trustee
 Code of Conduct into ERS policy
- Create a set of Standards of Conduct for Investments Division

Annual IPS Review



Key Recommendations from Investments Division

- Public and Private Credit separated into distinct asset classes
- Public and Private Real Estate separated into distinct asset classes
- Update ticker for public real estate benchmark index to net of tax withholding for international stocks
- Revised policy for management of GBP funds
- Require ACIC approval for material extensions and redemptions

Annual IPS Review



Key Recommendations from Office of General Counsel

- Significant improvements to Code of Ethics
- Streamline policies for Scrutinized Investments
- Expand ability to pursue securities actions
- Updates to statutory references
- Align placement agent disclosures with current contracting practices
- Add language necessary to invest in collective investment trusts

Annual IPS Review



Key Recommendations from Investment Compliance

- Restricted Persons required to disclose brokerage accounts
- Policy violations can result in exclusion from Incentive Compensation Plan
- Adds \$500 de minimus threshold for trade preclearance
- Updates to Personal Trading guidelines
 - Exemptions for CDs, muni bonds, etc.
 - Carve-outs for employee stock, fully managed accounts



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Public Agenda Item #14

Consideration of the Incentive Compensation Plan – (Action – Board Only)

August 24, 2022

DeeDee Sterns, Director of Human Resources Jamey Pauley, ICP Program Specialist

Incentive Compensation Plan (ICP)



Annual Review

- The Board of Trustees reviews and approves the ICP on an annual basis.
- For the May Board meeting, staff provides:
 - A review of the plan objectives and key features.
 - Information on any proposed plan changes.
 - A draft plan document for the upcoming fiscal year.
 - A summary of the ICP awards over the last five years (new this year).
- At the August Board meeting:
 - Staff presents the final proposed plan document for consideration and approval.



Fiscal Year 2023 - Proposed Material Changes

- Revise the three and five year performance periods to be weighted more heavily.
- Increase the minimum percentage attributable to Global Composite Performance (overall Trust).
- Further simplify the Global Composite Performance calculation.
- Reduce the waiting periods for new hires.



Longer-term Performance (section 4.8c)

Employees with <u>five or more years</u> of plan participation

Current Performance Period Weightings:

1-Year		3-Ye	ear	5-Year
33%		33%		34%
Proposed:				
1-Year	3-Year			5-Year
20%	30%			50%



Longer-term Performance (section 4.8b)

Employees with between three and five years of plan participation

Current Performance Period Weightings:

1-Year	3-Year
50%	50%
,	
Proposed:	
1-Year	3-Year
40%	60%



Longer-term Performance

Employees with less than three years of plan participation

No Change to Performance Period Weightings:

1-Year	
100%	



Longer-term Performance

Objective:

• Encourage an even greater emphasis on longer-term performance.



Overall Trust Performance (section 4.7a, Appendix B)

Current Goal Weightings:

Minimum to Overall Trust (Global Composite)		Maximum to Individual Portfolios	Maximum to Qualitative			
25%		50%	25%			
Proposed:						
Minimum to Overall Trust (Global Composite)		Maximum to Individual Portfolios	Maximum to Qualitative			
35%		40%	25%			



Overall Trust Performance

Objective:

• Place greater emphasis on the shared goal of robust Trust performance (35%), while retaining a significant weight to strong portfolio performance (40%).



Simplification and Consistency (section 2.16)

Proposal:

Discontinue the exclusion of **securities litigation proceeds** from the Global Composite Performance calculation (overall Trust).



Simplification and Consistency

Objectives/Reasoning

Including securities litigation proceeds in the GCP calculation:

- Will provide the same base return used for ICP that is used for general reporting purposes (ACFR).
- Reduce the administrative burden of excluding these figures, while having an insignificant impact on the ICP awards.
- Over the previous five years, would have actually had no impact on ICP awards.
- Consistent with our three local peer funds that also have incentive compensation plans.

Recruitment (section 3.2)



New Hire Waiting Periods

	Current	Proposed
Standard waiting period:	6 Months	3 Months
Exception to the standard waiting period (with written justification and approval by the Executive Director):	90 Days	0 Days

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Recruitment

Objectives:

- Help attract needed talent, in general, within a very tight labor market.
- Help attract certain experienced hires who are expected to add value from day one (i.e., with ED authority to waive the waiting period).
- Provide better alignment with peer funds, whose new hire waiting periods are generally between zero and three months.



Fiscal Year 2023 – Other Changes

In addition to the material changes, staff is proposing some other changes to the Plan document that will:

- Provide clarification.
- Better reflect current processes and practices.
- Align the Plan document with recent organization changes.

These changes are reflected in the draft Plan document.

Fiscal Year 2023 – Appendix A

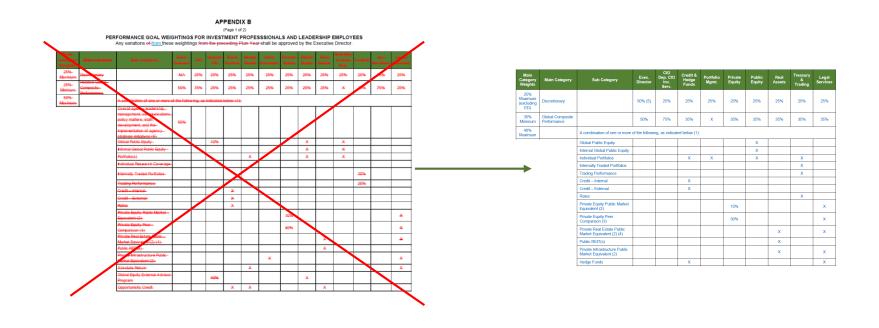


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Plan Groups	Maximum Incentive Award Percentages	Payment Schedules (Year 1/2/3, see Section 6.2)		
Executive Director	100%	50/25/25		
	N. S. S. S.			
Chief Investment Officer	100%	50/25/25		
Deputy Chief Investment Officer	100%	50/25/25		
Asset Class Managing Director	100%	50/25/25		
Program Director	90%	50/25/25		
Director of Risk Management & Applied- Research	100%	50/05/25		
Director of Investment Services	90%	50/05/Q6	-	
Supervising Portfolio Manager	90%	50/25/25	-	
Portfolio Manager IV, V & VI	80%	50/25/25	_	
Portfolio Manager I, II & III	70%	50/25/25	_	
Chief Trader I & II	70%	50/25/25	\dashv	
Investment Analyst V	70%	50/25/25	⊣ \	
Trader I, II & III	65%	50/25/25	⊣ \	
Investment Analyst III & IV	58%	50/25/25	-	
Investment Operations Manager	50%	50/25/25	 	
Operational Due Diligence Manager	50%	50/25/25	_ \	
Investment Analyst I & II	35%	50/25/25	⊣ \	
Performance Specialist	35%	50/25/25	-	
Investment Operations Specialist	25%	50/50/2	⊣ \	
Operational Due Diligence Specialist	25%	50/50/0		
Investment Administrative Support	5%	100,000		
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Investments and Securities, Attorney	65%	50/25/25		\
Investments and Securities, Paralegal	35%	50/25/25		\

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Chief Investment Officer	100%	50/25/25
Deputy Chief Investment Officer	100%	50/25/25
Asset ClassManaging Director	100%	50/25/25
Program Director	<u>90%</u>	50/25/25
Director of Risk Management & Applied Research	100%	50/25/25
Director of Investment Services	90%	50/25/25
Supervising Portfolio Manager	90%	50/25/25
Portfolio Manager IV, V & VI	80%	50/25/25

Fiscal Year 2023 – Appendix B





Fiscal Year 2023 – Appendix B



Main Category Weights	Main Category	Sub Category	Exec. Director	CIO Dep. CIO Inv. Serv.	Credit & Hedge Funds	Portfolio Mgmt.	Private Equity	Public Equity	Real Assets	Treasury & Trading	Legal Services
25% Maximum (excluding ED)	Discretionary		50% (5)	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%
35% Minimum	Global Composite Performance		50%	75%	35%	х	35%	35%	35%	35%	35%
40% Maximum		A combination of one or more	of the followi	ng, as indicate	ed below (1):	1				•	•
,		Global Public Equity						X			
		Internal Global Public Equity						X			
		Individual Portfolios			Х	Х		X		Х	
		Internally Traded Portfolios								X	
		Trading Performance								Х	
		Credit – Internal			Х						
		Credit – External			Х						
		Rates								Х	
		Private Equity Public Market Equivalent (2)					10%				х
		Private Equity Peer Comparison (3)					30%				Х
		Private Real Estate Public Market Equivalent (2) (4)							х		х
		Public REIT(s)							Х		
		Private Infrastructure Public Market Equivalent (2)							х		х
A	24 2022	Hedge Funds			Х						Х



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Public Agenda Item #15

Consideration and Annual Review of Real Estate Program and Proposed Annual Tactical Plan for Fiscal Year 2023 – (Action)

August 24, 2022

David T. Veal, Chief Investment Officer, CFA, CAIA, FRM Robert Sessa, Managing Director of Real Assets Amy Cureton, Director of Private Real Estate Annie Xiao, Director of Public Real Estate

Real Estate

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Program Overview

Two Separate Programs

- Public
 - Return seeking allocation to provide long-term growth
 - Program began in 2005
- Private
 - Return seeking allocation to provide long-term growth
 - Program began in 2008

Investment Objective

- Outperform benchmark over rolling 5-year (for Public Real Estate) and 10-year periods (for Private Real Estate)
- Maintain compliance with risk parameters

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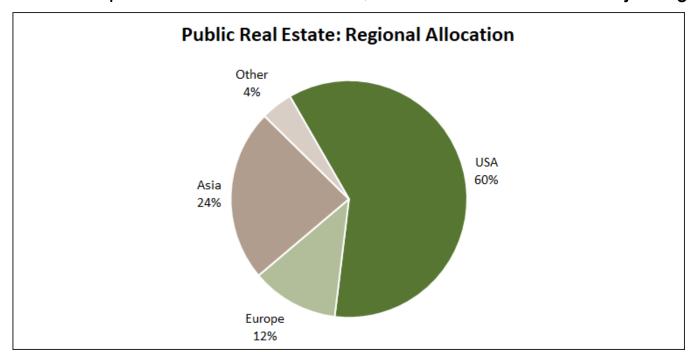
Key Characteristics

Attribute	Public Real Estate Portfolio
Type of Allocation	Return Seeking
Policy Allocation	Target weight of 3%, range from 0% to 13%
Management Style	Internally managed but can hire external managers
Performance Objective	Outperform FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Total Return Index
Risk Budget	Tracking error target of 200 basis points.
Information Ratio	≥ 0.30 expected
Investment Expenses	~11 bps total

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Portfolio Structure

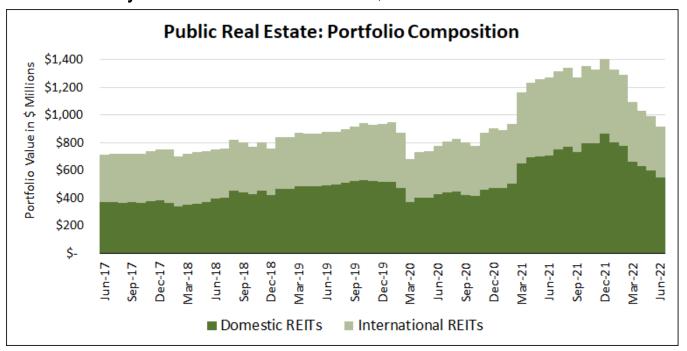
\$914 million represents 2.8% of the Trust, well-diversified across major regions



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Historical Composition

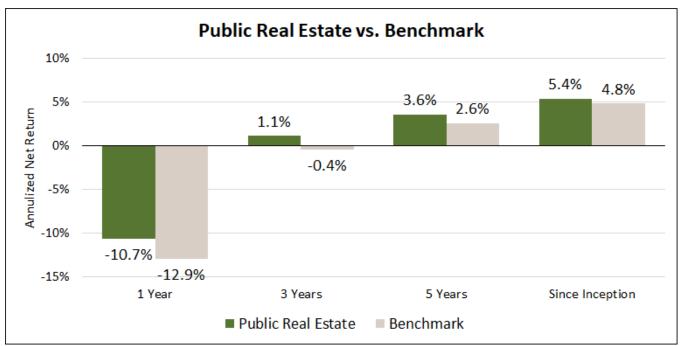
• \$200 million tactically allocated in March 2021, \$250 million moved out in March 2022





Performance Snapshot as of June 30, 2022

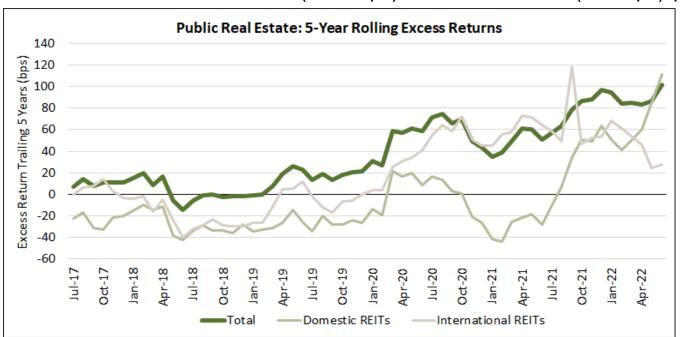
Strong performance across all time horizons, including +101 bps of value add last 5 years



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Relative Returns

Solid performance from both domestic (+111 bps) and international (+27 bps) portfolios

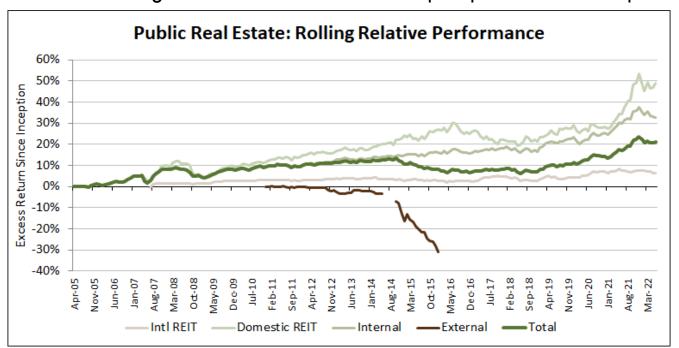


Public Real Estate Program

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Cumulative Excess Return

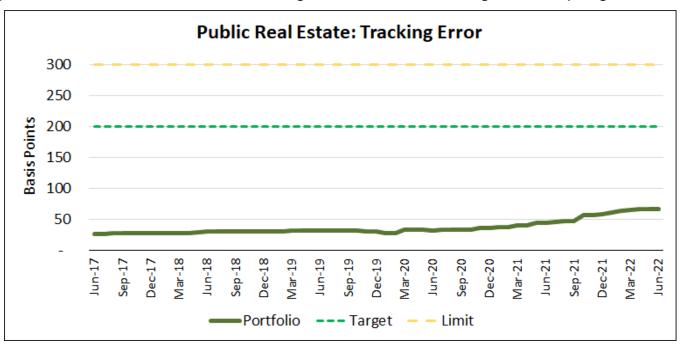
Portfolios have added significant value over time despite periods of underperformance



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Risk Budget

Tracking error has been well below target, but is increasing as the program matures





Goals and Objectives for Fiscal Years 2022 & 2023

Fiscal Year 2022

- Outperform respective benchmarks Ongoing
- ✓ IPS compliant

Fiscal Year 2023

- Outperform respective benchmarks
- IPS compliant
- Continue to Improve Investment Process
- □ Find replacement for Domestic REIT PM position (Tony Cardona departed)

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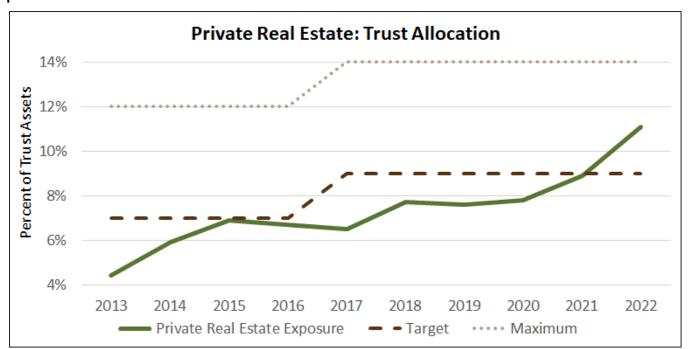
Key Characteristics

Attribute	Private Real Estate Portfolio
Type of Allocation	Return Seeking
Policy Allocation	Target weight of 9%, range from 4% to 14%
Performance Objective	Outperform NCREIF-ODCE Net Total Return Benchmark
Management Style	Externally managed commingled funds
	Also includes fund of funds, separate accounts, and co-investments
Risk Mitigation	Diversification across vintages, geographies, strategies, sectors and managers
Investment Expenses	~175 basis points external, ~10 bps internal

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Historical Allocation

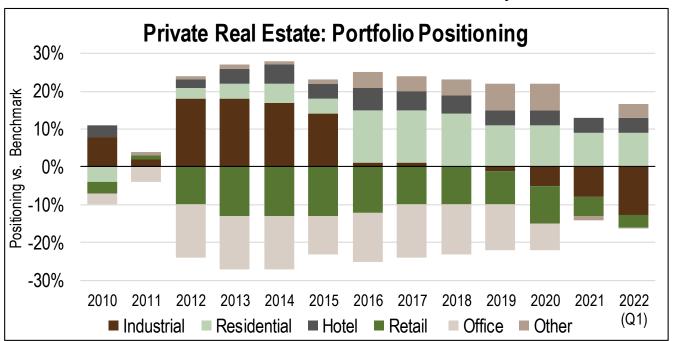
Strong performance and denominator effect has led to increased allocation over time



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Historical Composition

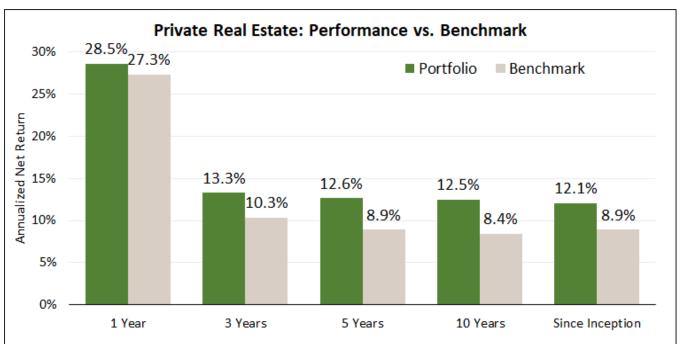
Highly diversified with current tilts toward residential and away from industrial





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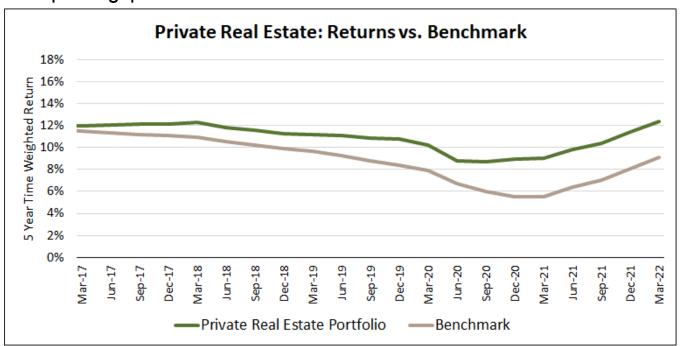
Strong performance across all horizons, including 400 bps of value add over last 10 years





Historical Performance

Strong and improving performance vs. benchmark across recent horizons

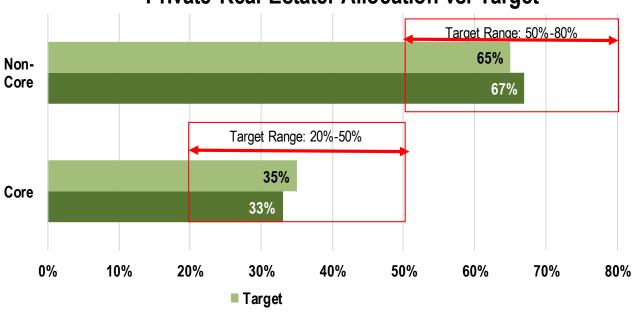


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Risk Diversification

Portfolio remains diversified and slightly overweight non-core property types

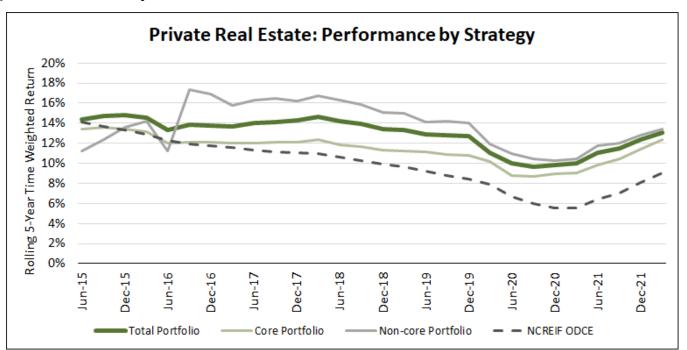




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Historical Performance

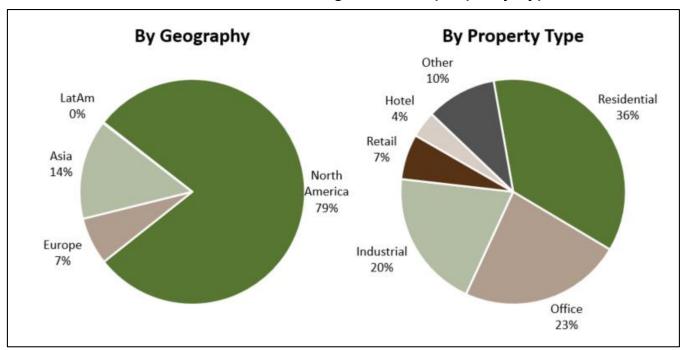
Strong performance by both core and non-core across recent horizons



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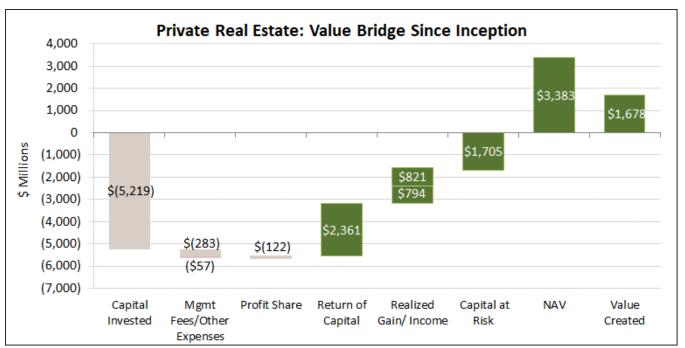
Portfolio remains well-diversified across regions and property types





Historical Performance: Value Bridge

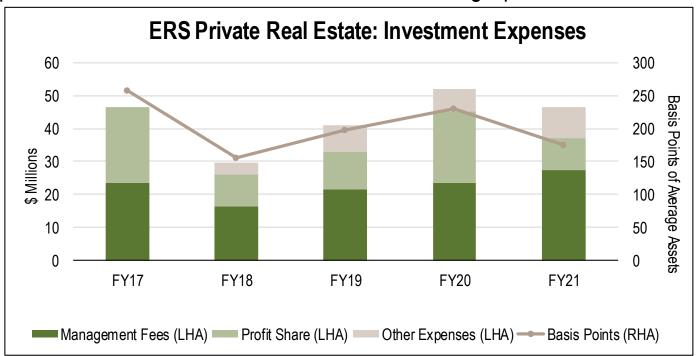
Significant value creation for the Trust with contributions from income and appreciation



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Investment Expenses

Strong performance in FY20 translated into above average profit share





Goals and Objectives for Fiscal Years 2022 & 2023

Fiscal Year 2022

- Outperform respective benchmarks Ongoing
- ✓ Target Allocation Strategy Adjustments Ongoing

Fiscal Year 2023

- Outperform respective benchmarks
- Execute on Tactical Plan
- Target Allocation Strategy Adjustments
- □ Continue to Improve Investment Process



Questions?



Review and Approval of Proposed Private Real Estate Tactical Plan For Fiscal Year 2023 - (Action)

Robert Sessa, Managing Director of Real Assets Amy Cureton, Director Private Real Estate

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Proposal for Fiscal Year 2023

ERS Private Real Estate Annual Tactical Plan for Fiscal Year 2023:

- Commitments totaling \$200 million
 - 3-6 investments mostly with existing managers but new relationships may be added
 - Co-investments as presented
- Commitment target range ± 50% (\$100 million \$300 million)

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Commitment Pacing

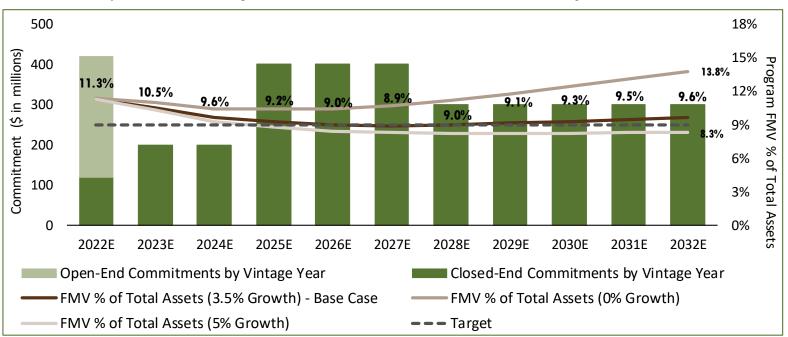
Pacing within Private Real Estate moderating after a period of high growth



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Pacing Model Output

Return to policy allocation target in 2025-2028 with commitments adjusted as appropriate





Questions? Action Item



Public Agenda Item #16

Consideration and Annual Review of Private Infrastructure Program and Proposed Annual Tactical Plan for Fiscal Year 2023 - (Action)

August 24, 2022 David T. Veal, Chief Investment Officer, CFA, CAIA, FRM Pablo de la Sierra Perez, Director of Private Infrastructure

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Program Overview

Private Infrastructure Program

- Program inception in 2013
- Total Portfolio cumulative commitments totaling \$2.7 billion
- Portfolio includes Legacy Special Situations assets

Investment Objective

- Outperform its benchmark over rolling 10-year periods
- Maintain risk compliance through portfolio diversification

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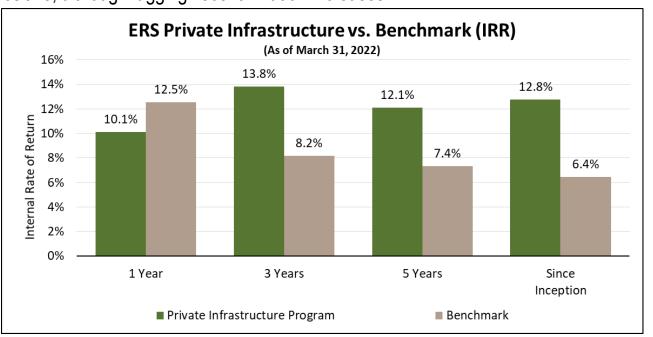
Key Characteristics

Attribute	Private Infrastructure Program
Type of Allocation	Return Seeking
Policy Allocation	Target weight of 7%, range from 2% to 12%
Performance Objective	Exceed CPI +400
Management Style	Externally managed open- and closed-end funds,
	Co-investments and directs to enhance governance and mitigate investment expenses
Risk Mitigation	Diversification across vintages, geographies, strategies, sectors and managers
Investment Expenses	~123 bps external, ~17 bps internal for FY21



Performance Snapshot as of March 31, 2022

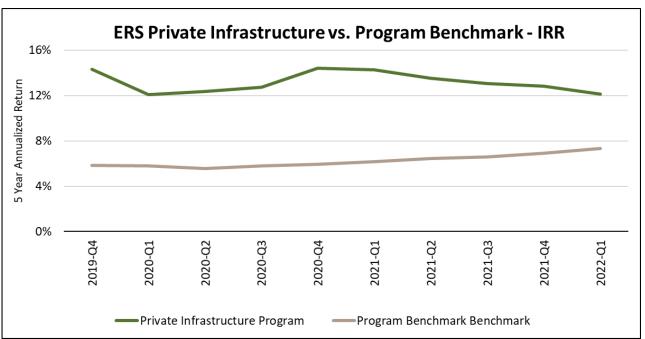
- Strong Program performance across all time horizons, including +480 bps over five years
- 1-Yr returns positive, although lagging recent inflation increases





Historical 5 Year Annualized Performance

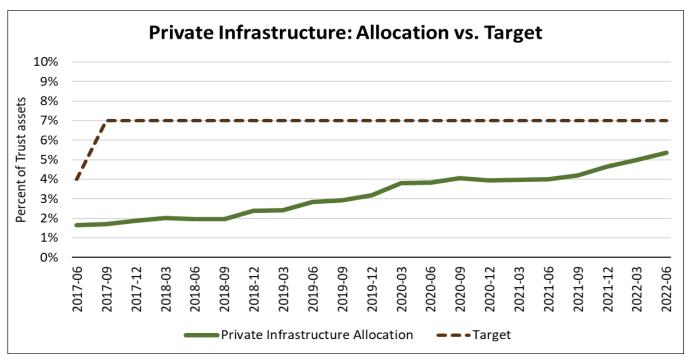
Strong performance against policy benchmark



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Historical Allocation

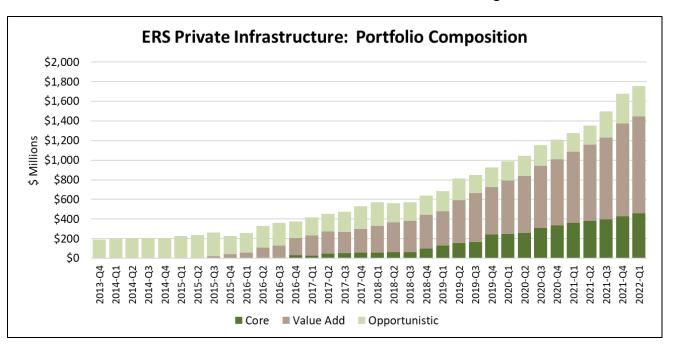
Portfolio deployment pace consistent with historic changes in target allocation



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Historical Composition

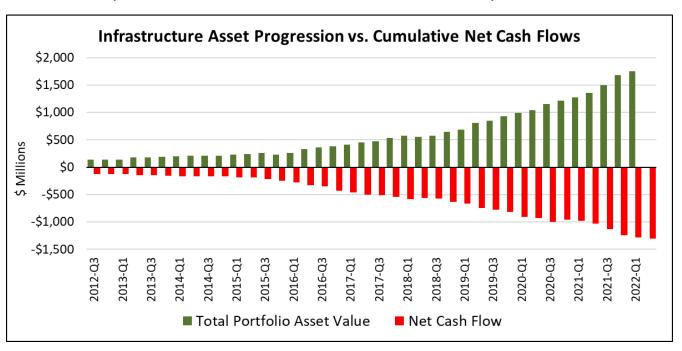
Total Portfolio has become more diversified as assets have grown over time





Historical Performance

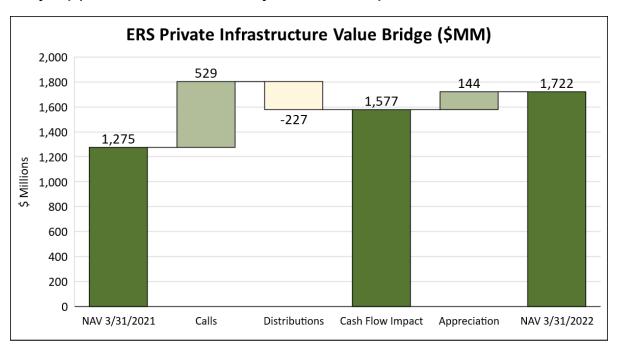
Both asset value of the portfolio and cash flow continue to rise as the portfolio moves towards maturity



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Historical Performance

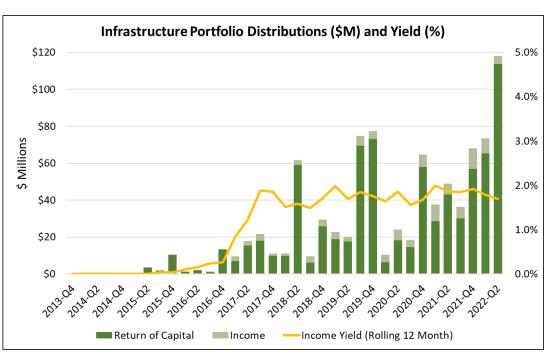
Return driven by appreciation, current yield and capital distributions



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Performance Drivers

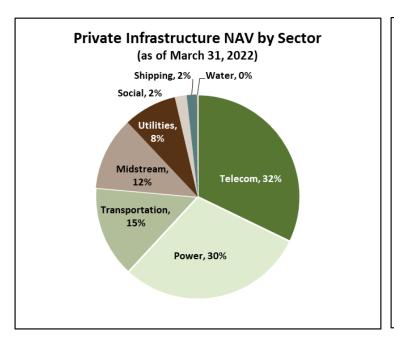
Current yield generation

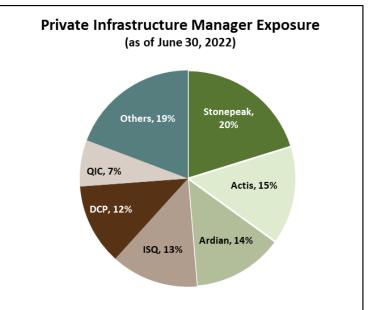


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Risk Diversification

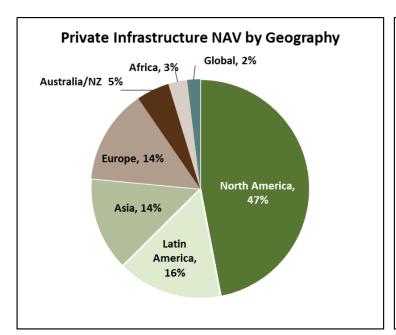
Total Portfolio

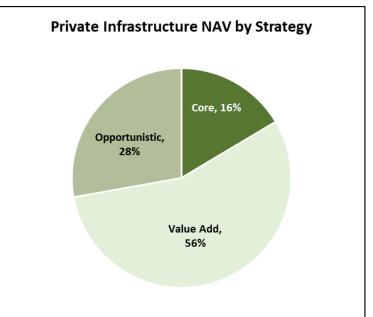




Risk Diversification

Total Portfolio as of March 31, 2022

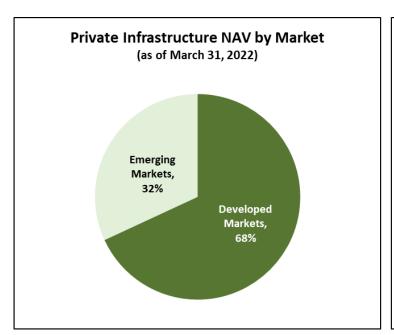


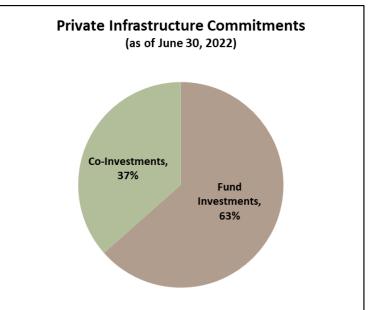


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Risk Diversification

Total Portfolio

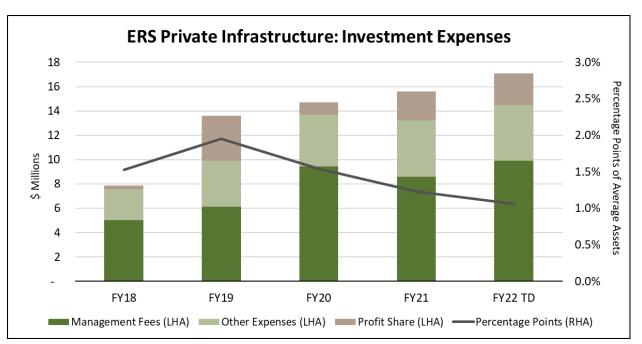




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Investment Expenses

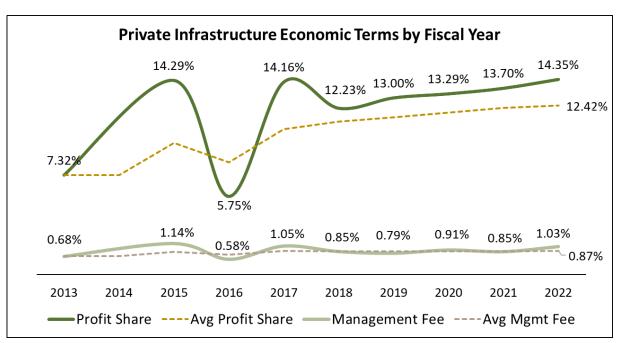
Fee-free co-investments have helped reduce fee load



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Investment Expenses

Strong Portfolio economics from allocation to co-investments and negotiated terms



Private Infrastructure Program



Goals and Objectives for Fiscal Year 2023

Fiscal Year 2022

- Execute on Tactical Plan
- Seek Core Diversification Ongoing
- ✓ Seek Emerging Markets
- Seek Sector Diversification
- Establish New Relationships Ongoing
- ☑ Focus on Co-investments / Directs

Fiscal Year 2023

- Execute on Tactical Plan
- □ Target Allocation Strategy Adjustments
- Seek Portfolio Diversification
- □ Focus on Co-Investments / Directs
- ☐ Hire One Senior Analyst
- □ Continue to Seek Alternative Benchmarks



Questions?



Consideration of Proposed Private Infrastructure Tactical Plan

Pablo de la Sierra Perez, Director of Private Infrastructure



Proposal for Fiscal Year 2023

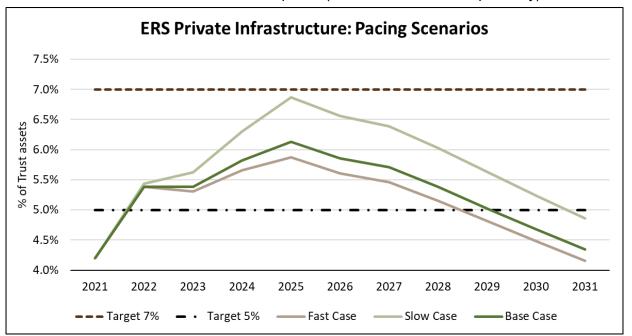
Review and consideration of ERS Private Infrastructure Annual Tactical Plan for Fiscal Year 2023:

- Commitments totaling \$250 million
 - 3-6 Fund commitments
 - 2-4 co-investments / directs
- Commitment target range \$200M \$300M

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Pacing Model Output

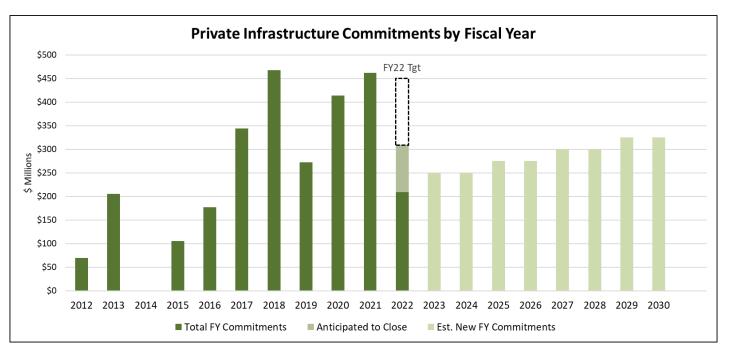
- Projected to reach 5% allocation target in 2029
- Fast, Base and Slow cases differ on Trust Growth assumptions (5%, 3.5% and 0% respectively)



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Pacing Model Output

FY22 pace of deployment adjusted in consideration of Trust's liquidity





Questions? Action Item



Public Agenda Item #17

Set Fiscal Year 2023 Meetings of the Board of Trustees, Investment Advisory Committee, and Audit Committee

August 24, 2022

Next Meeting Dates



Fiscal Year 2023 Meeting Dates

2- day Workshop: Tuesday, December 6, 2022 Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Wednesday, March 1, 2023 Wednesday, May 17, 2023 Wednesday, August 23, 2023



Public Agenda Item #18

Adjournment of the Joint Meeting of the Board of Trustees and Investment Advisory Committee

August 24, 2022



Public Agenda Item #19

Recess of the Board of Trustees. Following a temporary recess, the Board of Trustees will reconvene to take up the Board agenda items

August 24, 2022