Western Midstream[®] Third-Quarter 2023 Review

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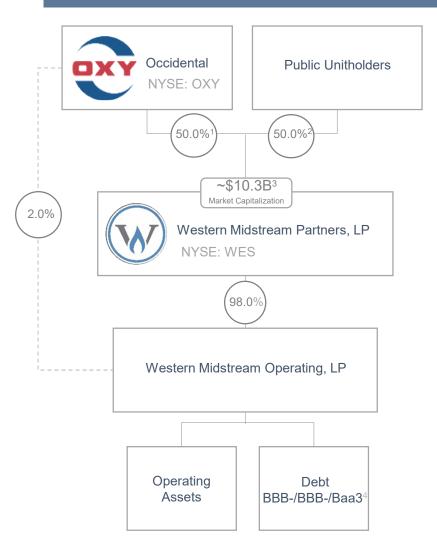
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Please also see the attached Appendix and our earnings release, posted on our website at www.westernmidstream.com, for reconciliations of the differences between any non-GAAP financial measures used in this presentation and the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures.

WES OWNERSHIP STRUCTURE



1) As of September 30, 2023, includes 185,181,578 of Limited Partner units (representing 48.8% of our outstanding common units) and 9,060,641 General Partner units. 2) As of September 30, 2023, includes 194,334,791 of Limited Partner units.

3) As of market close on October 27, 2023.

4) As of September 30, 2023, ratings from S&P, Fitch, and Moody's, respectively, all with a stable outlook.



Recent Highlights

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Operational & Financial

Total Total Natural-Gas Crude-Oil and NGLs Throughput Throughput 4.65 Bcf/d 681 MBbls/d **5%** Q-0-Q 7% 0-0-0 Total **Unit Buyback** Produced-Water Activity, 3Q'23 Throughput 1,101 MBbls/d \$128 MM 14% 0-0-0

Accomplishments

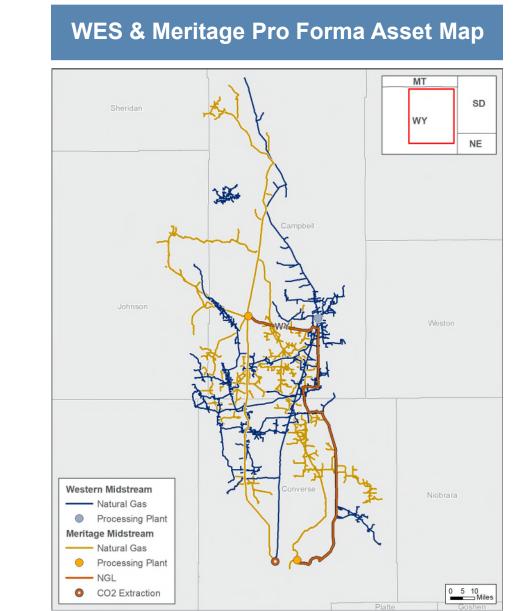
- Increased total throughput across all three products on a sequential-quarter basis
- Record throughput across all three products in the Delaware Basin
- Completed acquisition of Meritage Midstream in the Powder River Basin
- Issued \$600 million of senior notes due 2029 to fund Meritage acquisition
- Increased Base Distribution to \$0.575 per unit upon closing Meritage acquisition^{1,2}
- Repurchased 5.1 million of common units from Occidental for \$127.5 million

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Meritage Midstream Acquisition Strategic Rationale

- Synergies with WES's existing Powder River Basin footprint
- Enhances processing capacity with newer plants, including 200 MMcf/d of cryogenic processing capacity
- Strong contract portfolio with long-term acreage dedications and substantial minimum-volume commitments
- Positions WES to compete for undedicated acreage and business development opportunities
- Diversifies WES's customer base, adding investment-grade producers and significant upstream inventory runway
- Enhances WES's ability to increase capital return over time



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Third-Quarter Performance

Third-Quarter Operational Performance



	2Q 2023 Actuals	3Q 2023 Actuals
Natural-Gas Throughput (MMcf/d)	4,254	4,484
Adjusted Gross Margin for Natural-Gas Assets (\$/Mcf)	\$1.26	\$1.26
Crude-Oil and NGLs Throughput (MBbls/d)	626	667
Adjusted Gross Margin for Crude-Oil and NGLs Assets (\$/Bbl)	\$2.58	\$2.27
Produced-Water Throughput (MBbls/d)	943	1,079
Adjusted Gross Margin for Produced-Water Assets (\$/Bbl)	\$0.83	\$0.84

Note: Represents total throughput attributable to WES, which excludes the 2.0% limited partner interest in WES Operating owned by an Occidental subsidiary, and for natural-gas assets, the 25% third-party interest in Chipeta, which collectively represent WES's noncontrolling interests.

Third-Quarter Financial Performance

(\$ in millions)	2Q 2023 Actuals	3Q 2023 Actuals	
Operating Cash Flow	\$490.8	\$394.8	
Cash Capital Investments ¹	\$150.7	\$194.3	
Free Cash Flow	\$340.1	\$200.4	
Cash Distributions Paid	\$337.0 ²	\$221.4 ³	
Free Cash Flow After Distributions	\$3.1	\$(21.0)	



1) Includes net investing distributions from equity investments.

2) Cash distributions paid in second-quarter 2023, declared in first-quarter 2023, which included \$140.1 million Enhanced Distribution.

3) Cash distributions paid in third-quarter 2023, declared in second-quarter 2023. Cash distributions declared in third-quarter 2023 were approximately \$223.4 million.

4) Represents limited partners' interest in net income (loss).

2023 Financial & Operational Outlook

2023 Financial Guidance	
(\$ in millions)	
Adjusted EBITDA ¹	\$1,950 - \$2,050
Total Capital Expenditures ²	\$700 – \$800
Free Cash Flow ^{1,3}	\$900 – \$1,000
Per-Unit Cash Base Distribution ⁴	≥ \$2.1875

2023 Estimated Throughput Growth Rates ⁵		
Crude Oil & NGLs	Low-Single Digits ⁶	
Natural Gas	Mid-Single Digits	
Produced Water	Upper-Teens	

2023 Commodity Price Sensitivities⁷

Commodity	2023E Price Assumption ⁸	Price Change ⁹	Estimated Impact to Adjusted EBITDA
Crude Oil (\$/Bbl)	\$80.00	+/- \$10.00	+/- ~\$30MM
Natural Gas (\$/MMBtu)	\$4.25	+/- \$1.00	+/- ~\$1MM

Note: Based on current producer production-forecast information.

1) A reconciliation of the Adjusted EBITDA range to net cash provided by operating activities and net income (loss), and a reconciliation of the Free cash flow range to net cash provided by operating activities, is not provided because the items necessary to estimate such amounts are not reasonably estimable at this time. These items, net of tax, may include, but are not limited to, impairments of assets and other charges, divestiture costs, or changes in accounting principles. All of these items could significantly impact such financial measures. At this time, WES is not able to estimate the aggregate impact, if any, of these items on future period reported earnings. Accordingly, WES is not able to provide a corresponding GAAP equivalent for the Adjusted EBITDA or Free cash flow ranges.

2) Accrual-based, includes equity investments, excludes capitalized interest, and excludes capital expenditures associated with the 25% third-party interest in Chipeta.

3) Free cash flow results dependent on working capital position at year end.

4) Full-year 2023 Base Distribution of at least \$2.1875 per unit. Excludes the impact of a potential Enhanced Distribution. Our Board will continue to evaluate the per-unit Base Distribution on a quarterly basis.

5) Estimated average yearly throughput in 2023 relative to average yearly throughput in 2022.

6) Excludes approximately 65 MBbls/d of Cactus II throughput in 2022.

7) Assumes all other variables potentially impacting Adjusted EBITDA results, including but not limited to, throughput, gas processing plant operating mode, producer recovery elections, and regional pricing differentials are held constant

8) Full-year 2023 average pricing.

9) Natural-gas price change includes an equivalent percentage change in ethane prices. All other NGL price changes are included in price changes for crude oil, based on historical percentage of crude-oil prices.





Summary

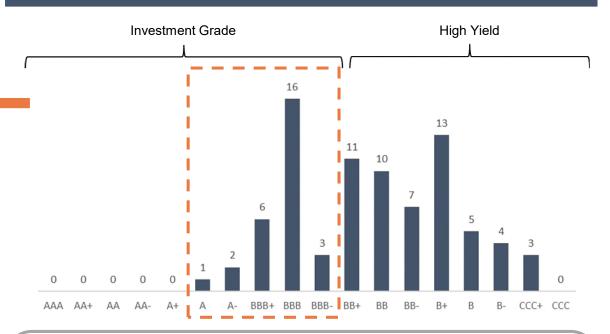
Comparative Valuation Metrics

Highlighting midstream's compelling investment opportunity

Russell 3000 and Midstream Investment Grade Companies with ≥ 7.0% yield¹

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Company	Rating	Yield	Industry
Piedmont Office Realty Trust	BBB	15.82%	REIT
Pioneer Natural Resources	BBB	10.11%	Oil & Gas Exploration & Production
Highwoods Properties	BBB	9.70%	REIT
Devon Energy Corporation	BBB	9.45%	Oil & Gas Exploration & Production
V.F. Corporation	BBB	9.11%	Apparel
Altria Group	BBB	8.94%	Tobacco
Western Midstream	BBB-	8.74%	MLP
MPLX, LP	BBB	8.69%	MLP
Walgreens Boots Alliance, Inc	BBB	8.63%	Pharmaceuticals
Energy Transfer	BBB	8.60%	MLP
Healthcare Realty Trust	BBB	8.12%	REIT
Omega Healthcare Investors	BBB-	8.08%	REIT
Verizon Communications, Inc	BBB+	8.05%	Telecommunications
Spirit Realty Capital Inc	BBB	7.91%	REIT
W. P. Carey Inc.	BBB+	7.88%	REIT
Corebridge Financial Inc.	BBB+	7.80%	Financials / Insurance
Coterra Energy Inc.	BBB	7.76%	Oil & Gas Exploration & Production
Broadstone Net Lease, Inc.	BBB	7.69%	Real Estate Investment Services
Public Storage	А	7.65%	REIT
American Financial Group	BBB+	7.63%	Financials / Insurance
Physicians Realty Trust	BBB	7.55%	REIT
KeyCorp	BBB	7.53%	Financial Services / Banking
AT&T	BBB	7.39%	Telecommunications
Lincoln National Group	BBB+	7.29%	Insurance
Truist Financial Group	A-	7.27%	Financial Services / Banking
Old Republic	BBB+	7.24%	Financials / Insurance
CNA Financial Corporation	A	7.22%	Financials / Insurance
Enterprise Products Partners	A-	7.18%	MLP
Western Union	BBB	7.13%	Financial Services
Columbia Banking System Inc	BBB-	7.02%	Financial Services / Banking
National Health Investors Inc	BBB-	7.01%	REIT
Leggett & Platt, Incorporated	BBB	7.01%	Retail

Russell 3000 Companies Credit Profile with ≥ 7.0% yield²



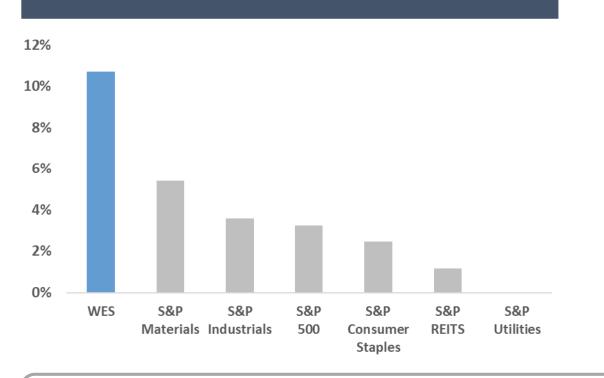
<1% of companies in the Russell 3000 provide as compelling of an investment opportunity with an investment-grade credit rating as WES and other midstream companies.

Note: Per FactSet, S&P Capital IQ, and Wolfe Research Midstream Weekly Report on October 10, 2023. Uses S&P credit ratings. Various publicly-traded midstream companies include CEQP, ENLC, EPD, ET, ETRN, KMI, KNTK, MPLX, OKE, PAA, TRGP, and WMB. 1) As of 9/30/2023. Excludes companies that don't have listed S&P credit ratings in S&P Capital IQ. Includes investment-grade midstream companies. Yield is calculated using LTM base and special distributions. 2) As of 9/30/2023. Excludes companies that don't have listed S&P credit ratings in S&P Capital IQ.

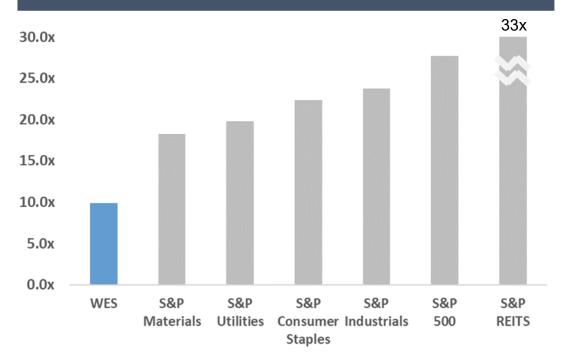
Comparative Valuation Metrics (continued) Highlighting WES's compelling investment opportunity



Free Cash Flow Yield (Trailing Twelve Months)¹



Price / Earnings Ratio (Trailing Twelve Months)²



WES continues to generate the highest Free cash flow yield and trades at the lowest valuation relative to other sectors of the S&P 500.

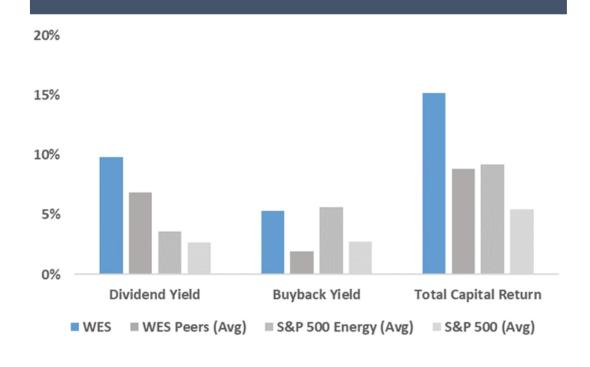
Note: Per FactSet and S&P Capital IQ.

As of 6/30/2023. Trailing twelve months. Free cash flow divided by market capitalization.
As of 6/30/2023. Trailing twelve months. Closing price on 6/30/2023 divided by earnings per share

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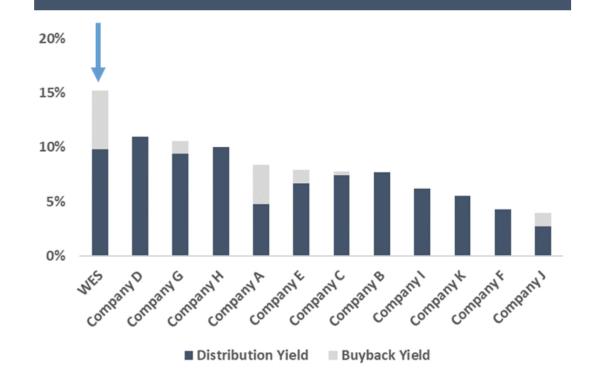
Comparative Valuation Metrics (continued) Strong track-record of returning capital to unitholders

Total Capital Return Yield (Trailing Twelve Months)¹



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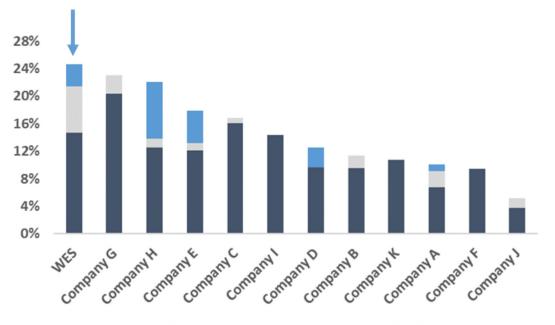


WES continues to be a market leader in total capital return yield relative to major energy indices, the S&P 500, and various publicly-traded midstream companies.

Note: Per FactSet and S&P Capital IQ. Various publicly-traded midstream companies include ENLC, EPD, ET, ETRN, KMI, KNTK, MPLX, OKE, PAA, TRGP, and WMB. 1) As of 6/30/2023. Distribution yield calculated using 2Q'23 Base Distribution annualized. Includes 5.1MM units repurchased in 3Q'23. Buyback yield calculated using total units / shares outstanding reduction on trailing-twelve-month basis and average quarterly share price.

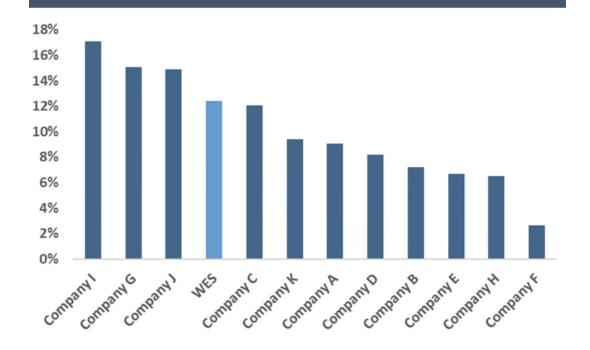
Comparative Valuation Metrics (continued) Western Midstream Leading returns on capital and redeployment of capital to stakeholders

Total Capital Return as a Percentage of Enterprise Value since 2020¹



Distributions Buybacks Debt Reduction

Return on Capital Employed (Trailing Twelve Months)²

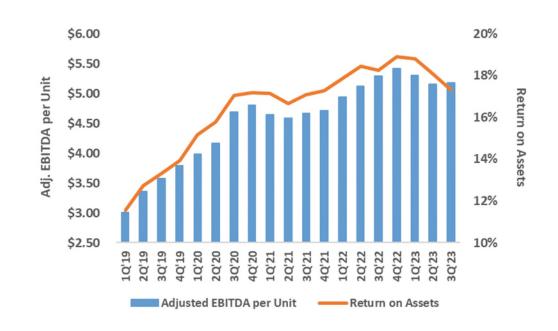


WES continues to be a market leader in returning capital to stakeholders through a balance of distributions, buybacks, and debt reduction amongst various publicly-traded midstream companies.

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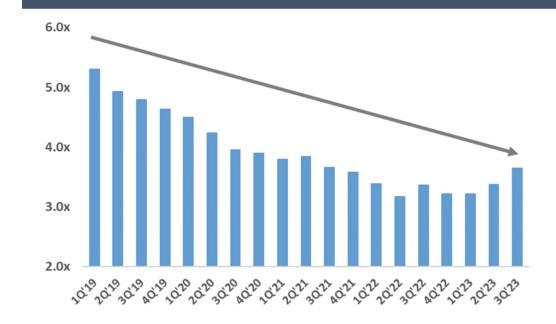
Comparative Valuation Metrics (continued) WES's value creation progression

Adjusted EBITDA per unit vs. Return on Assets (Trailing Twelve Months)¹



Debt / Adjusted EBITDA (Trailing Twelve Months)²

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WES has increased Adjusted EBITDA per unit and materially reduced debt while generating leading returns on assets amongst various publicly-traded midstream companies.³

Note: Per FactSet, S&P Capital IQ, and WES company filings.

1) As of 9/30/2023. Trailing twelve months. Quarterly reported Adjusted EBITDA divided by total units outstanding. Return on assets calculated using trailing-twelve-month quarterly reported Adjusted EBITDA divided by total assets.

2) As of 9/30/2023. Trailing twelve months. Quarterly reported Adjusted EBITDA divided by total debt outstanding.

3) Return on assets company comparison as of 9/30/2023. Return on assets calculated using trailing-twelve-month quarterly reported Adjusted EBITDA divided by total assets.

Well Positioned for Growth and Capital Return









Appendix



Positive Cash Flow Outlook	Capital Allocation Priorities	Annual Net Leverage Threshold ³	Annual Distribution Framework
Annual	Debt Optimization	3.4x YE'22	\$2.1875 Base Distribution ¹
Free Cash Flow Generation	Base Distributions ¹	3.2x YE'23	+ Potential Enhanced
	Unit Repurchases ²	3.0x YE'24	Distribution ⁴

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ACQUISITIONS TO BE ASSESSED ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS

1) Subject to Board review and approval on a quarterly basis based on the needs of the business.

2) To be executed opportunistically depending on market conditions.

3) The ratio of Net Debt (defined as total principal debt outstanding less total cash on hand as of the end of the period) to Adjusted EBITDA (trailing twelve months). Annual net leverage is inclusive of Enhanced Distribution.

18 4) Subject to Board review and approval, contingent on attainment of year-end net leverage threshold after taking the annual Enhanced Distribution into account, and subject to any continuing cash reserve requirements as determined by the Board. If declared, the Enhanced Distribution would be pavable with the first-quarter Base Distribution in May of the following year.



Enhanced Distribution Mechanics

Illustrative Calculation using TTM Financial Information

- 2023 Enhanced Distribution would be payable with first-quarter 2024 Base Distribution
- Dependent upon fulfillment of two conditions:



Excess Free cash flow



Attainment of 3.2x net leverage threshold

- Exclusions include:
 - Unit repurchases or debt repayments funded directly or indirectly from borrowings or equity issuances

Trailing Twelve-Month Enhanced Distribution Calculation		
\$ in millions	As of 9/30/23	
Free Cash Flow ¹	\$1,048	
Less:		
Debt Repayment (Additions) ^{2,3}	\$(236)	
Base Distribution 81		
Unit Repurchases	175	
Excess Free Cash Flow ⁴	\$297	
Total Net Debt Outstanding ^{5,6}	\$6,847	
TTM Adj. EBITDA	\$2,014	
TTM Net Leverage Ratio	3.4x	

Note: Enhanced Distribution is subject to Board review and approval and any continuing cash reserve requirements as determined by the Board.

¹⁾ See slide <u>37</u> for a reconciliation of Net cash provided by operating activities to Free cash flow.

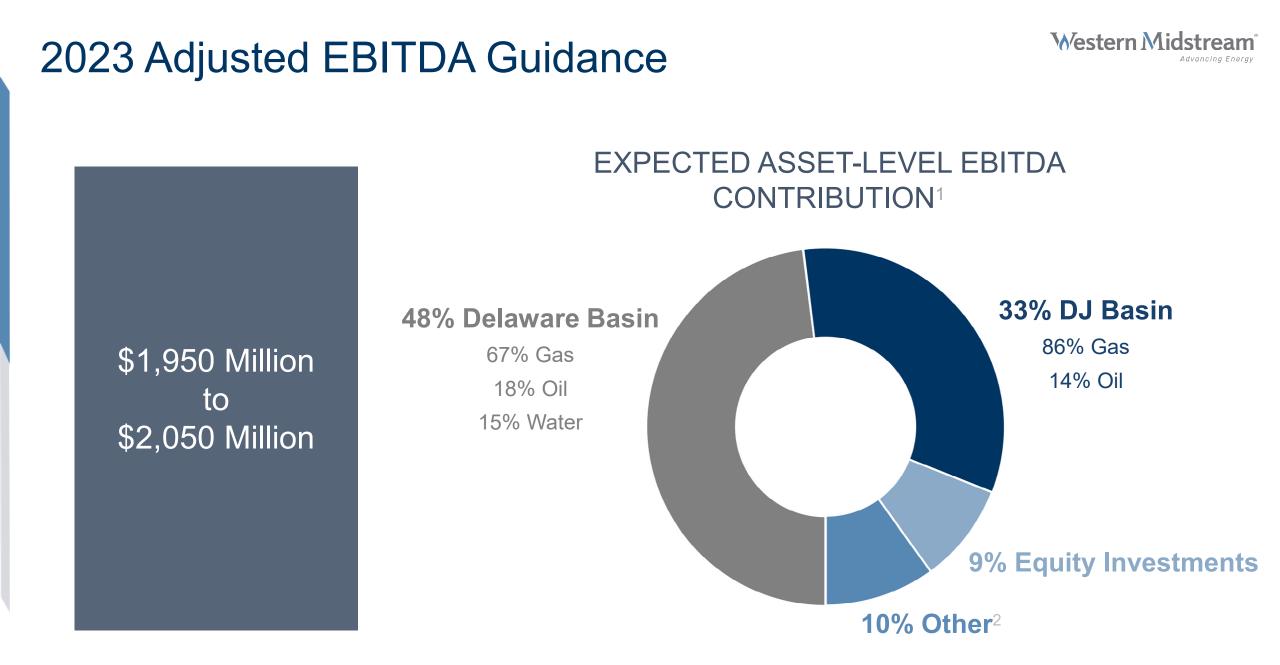
²⁾ Excludes finance leases

³⁾ Measured only to the extent such repayment constitutes a reduction in gross debt (versus repayments made in connection with a debt refinancing). For purposes of this calculation, to the extent gross debt increases in the same year as units are repurchased, and consequently creates an add back to Free cash flow, the add back is limited to the amount of unit repurchases.

⁴⁾ Not inclusive of discretionary adjustments, if any, made by the Board of Directors

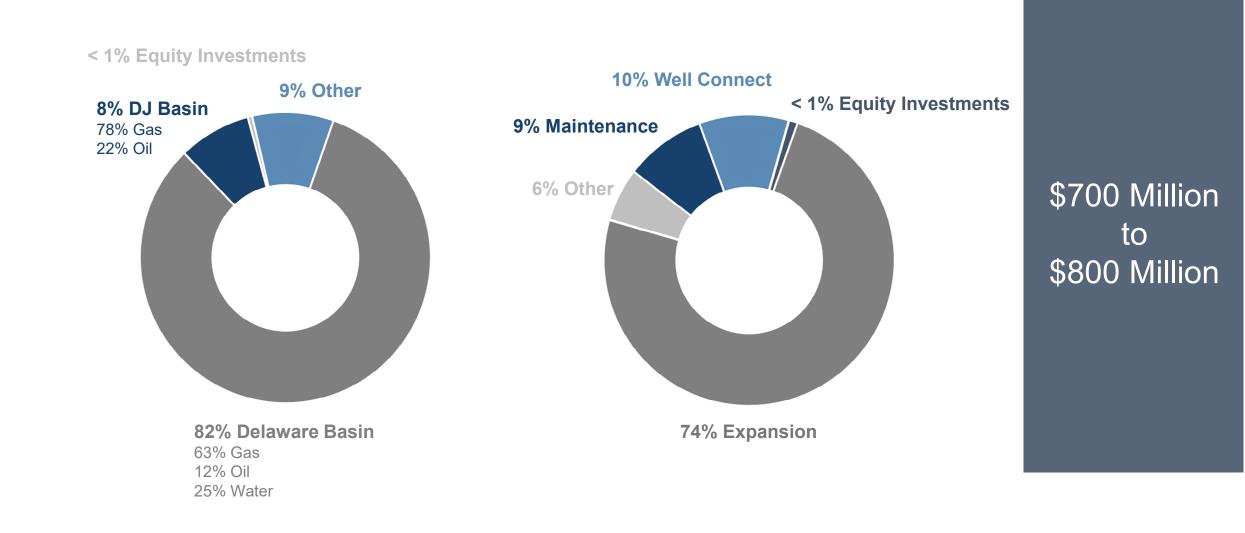
⁵⁾ If Excess Free cash flow is available for distribution, net debt increases by the amount of any enhanced distribution. If TTM net leverage ratio, after considering the increase in net debt for the enhanced distribution, exceeds the annual targeted net leverage ratio, we expect that the Board would limit the amount of any enhanced distribution to stay at or below that target level.

⁶⁾ Total principal debt outstanding of \$7,336 million minus \$489 million of cash on hand at quarter end.



2023 Capital Expenditures Guidance





WES Liquidity Profile

Liquidity (\$ in millions)

Senior Note Maturities (\$ in millions)

\$1,995

\$489

\$1,483

\$740

\$5,105

RCF Capacity¹

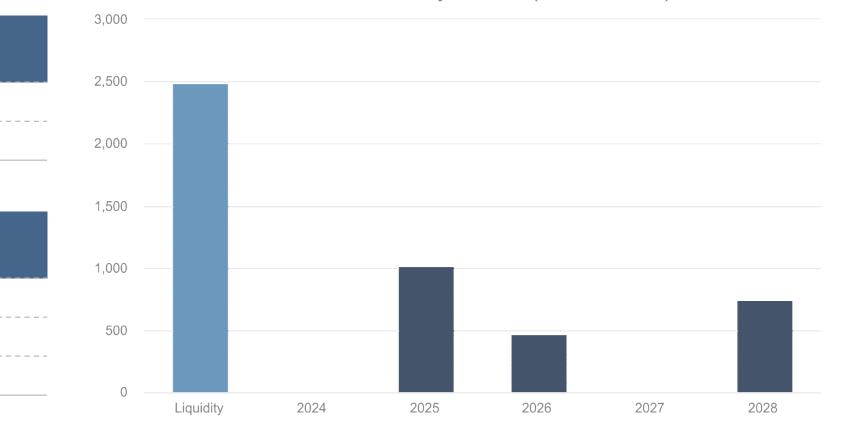
Cash

2025 - 2026

2028

2029+

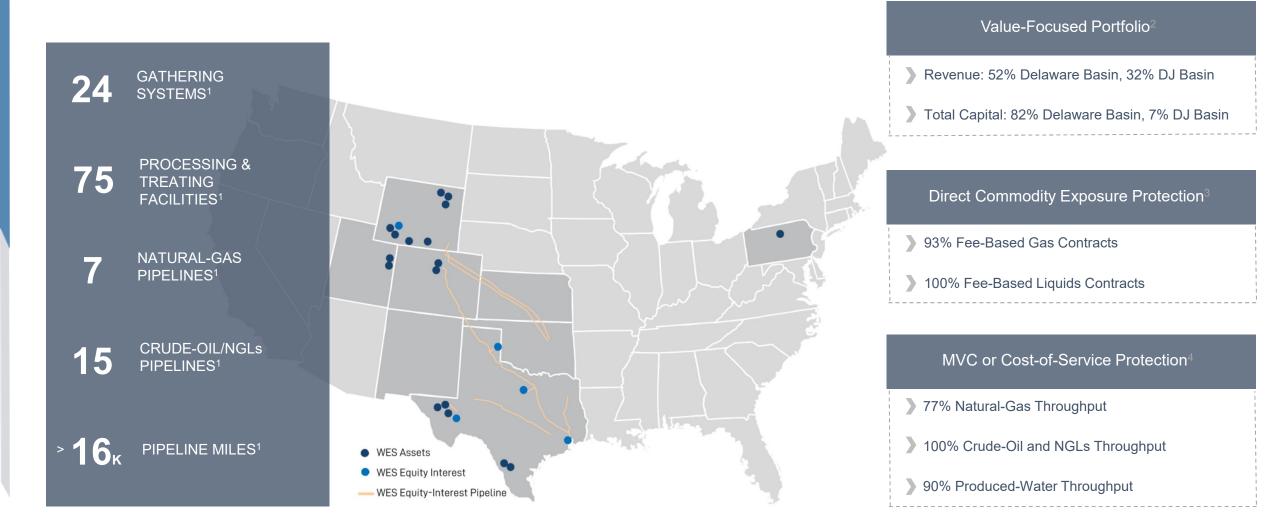
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Near-Term Maturity Profile (\$ in millions)

Note: As of 9/30/2023. Does not include Meritage acquisition which closed on October 13, 2023 and was funded with cash, amounts received from the recent issuance of \$600 million of senior notes, and borrowings on the RCF. 1) Includes letters of credit of \$5.1 million.

Diversified Asset Portfolio in Active Producing Basins



1) Includes Meritage assets.

- 2) Revenue and Total Capital are based on full-year 2022 actuals.
- 3) Based on full-year 2022 wellhead volumes for gas and total throughput for liquids, excludes equity investments.

4) As of December 31, 2022, excludes equity investments. MVC is defined as minimum-volume commitment with associated deficiency fee.

A Leading Midstream Provider in the Delaware Basin Western Midstream

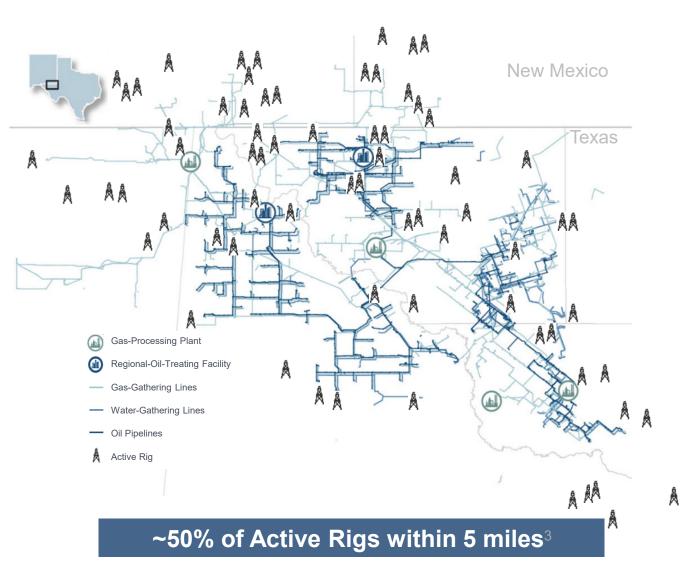


Only Low-Emission Oil Gatherer

Only Three-Stream Midstream Provider

Top 2 in Water Gathering & Disposal¹

Top 5 in Gas Processing Capacity²



1) Compared to 2022 throughput volumes of publicly-traded midstream companies providing water gathering and disposal services in the Delaware Basin

2) As of 6/30/2023, per public materials from natural-gas processing operators in the Delaware Basin.

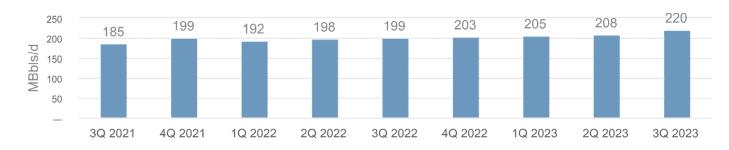
3) Calculated using number of active horizontal rigs within 5 miles of WES's infrastructure relative to the total active horizontal rig count in the Delaware Basin per Enverus as of October 10, 2023.

Delaware Basin: Expansive Multi-Product Infrastructure

Customer Base

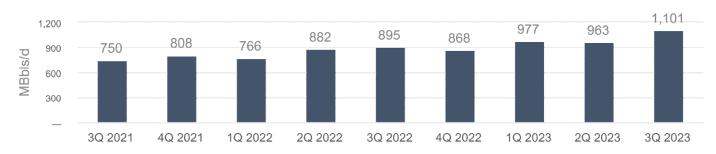
Product	Percentage of Related-Party Volumes1
Gas	44%
Oil	98%
Water	80%

2,000 1,674 1,592 1,569 1,536 1,524 1,493 1,370 1,326 1,274 1,500 MMcf/d 1,000 500 0 3Q 2021 4Q 2021 1Q 2022 2Q 2022 3Q 2022 4Q 2022 1Q 2023 2Q 2023 3Q 2023



Oil

Water



Long-Term Contract Support

Product	Weighted-Average Remaining Life ²
Gas	~10 Years
Oil	~ 10 Years
Water	~10 Years

Gas

1) Percentage of production from Occidental as of year-end 2022.

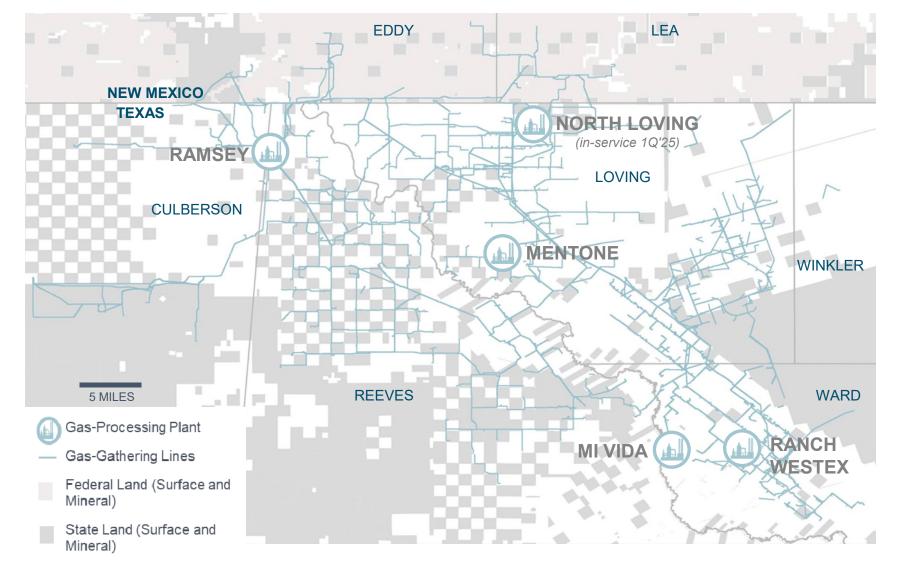
2) Weighted-average remaining contract life by volume as of year-end 2022 proforma Occidental amendments announced on May 3, 2023.

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Delaware Basin: Gas Infrastructure

WES Gas Processing West Texas Complex 1.540 Bcf/d

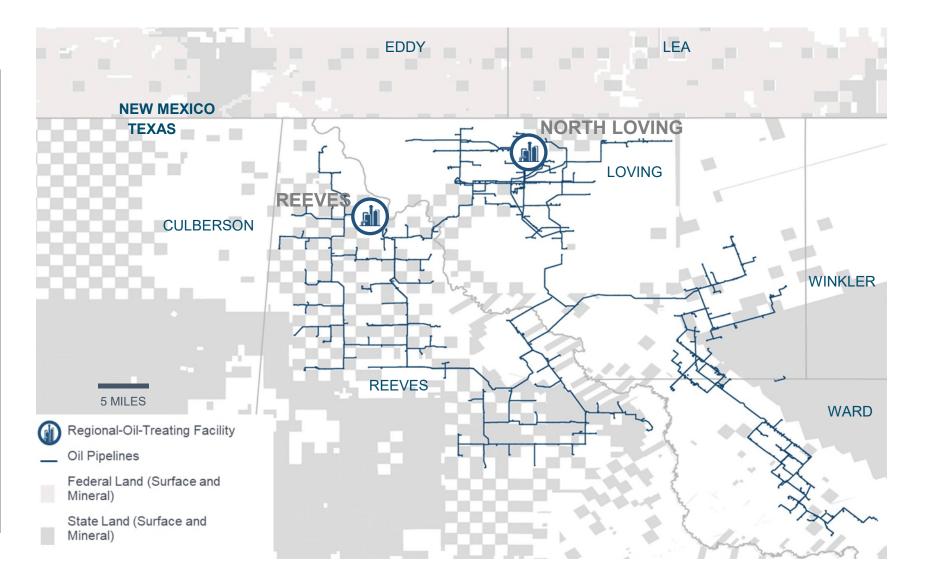
Equity-Interest Gas Processing Mi Vida 200 MMcf/d



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Delaware Basin: Oil Infrastructure

Oil Treating 292 MBbls/d Capacity



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Delaware Basin: Water Infrastructure



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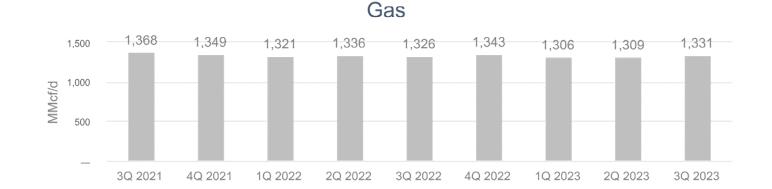
Salt-Water Disposal 1,390 MBbls/d Capacity

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DJ Basin

Customer Base

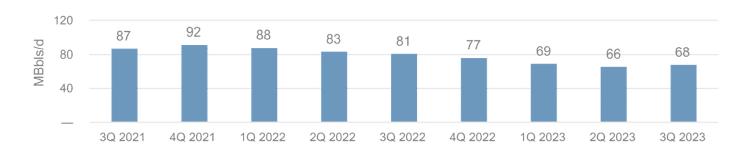
Product	Percentage of Related-Party Volumes ¹
Gas	54%
Oil	100%



Long-Term Contract Support

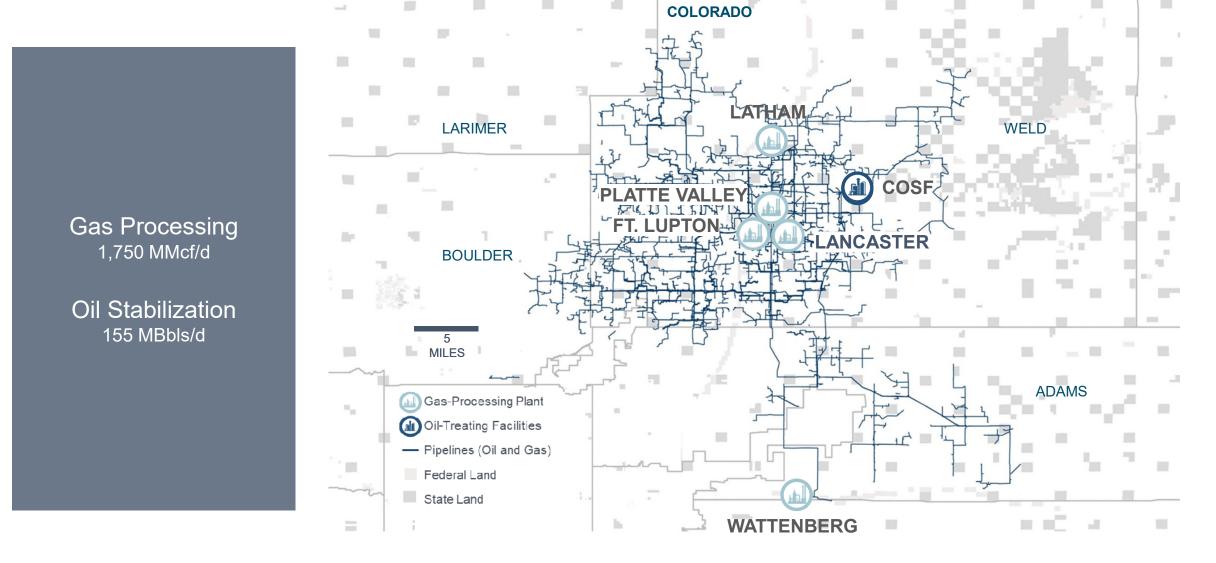
Product	Weighted-Average Remaining Life ²
Gas	~88% = ~6 Years ~12% = Life of Lease
Oil	~6 Years

Oil



Percentage of production from Occidental as of year-end 2022.
Weighted-average remaining contract life by volume as of year-end 2022.

A Core Position in the Heart of the DJ Basin

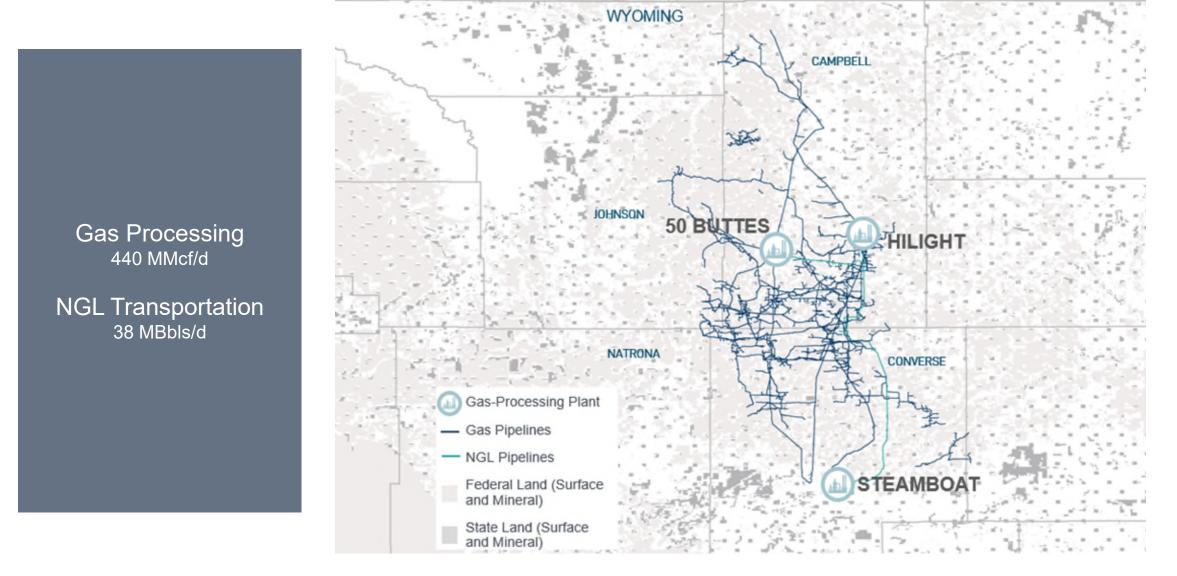


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Additional Portfolio Assets



Equity Investment Overview

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Equity Investment			Description	Operator	
Mi Vida			200 MMcf/d gas-processing plant	Energy Transfer	
Red Bluff Express	30%	Reeves County, TX to Waha, TX	1.5 Bcf/d natural-gas pipeline	Energy Transfer	
Whitethorn LLC	20%	Midland, TX to Houston, TX	620 MBbls/d crude-oil pipeline	Enterprise	
Mont Belvieu JV	25%	Mont Belvieu, TX	170 MBbls/d NGL fractionation	Enterprise	
Saddlehorn	20%	DJ Basin to Cushing, OK	340 MBbls/d crude-oil pipeline	Magellan	
Front Range Pipeline	33.33%	DJ Basin to Skellytown, TX	250 MBbls/d NGL pipeline	Enterprise	
Texas Express Pipeline	20%	Skellytown, TX to Mont Belvieu, TX	366 MBbls/d NGL pipeline	Enterprise	
Texas Express Gathering	20%	TX Panhandle to Mont Belvieu, TX	138 mi NGL-gathering system	Midcoast	
White Cliffs	10%	DJ Basin to Cushing, OK	180+ MBbls/d crude/NGL pipelines	Energy Transfer	
Panola	15%	Carthage, TX to Mont Belvieu, TX	100 MBbls/d NGL pipeline	Enterprise	
Rendezvous	22%	SW Wyoming	~450 MMcf/d natural-gas pipeline	Marathon	



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WES Equity Interest
WES Equity-Interest Pipeline

Portfolio of Equity Investments estimated to contribute ~\$200 million of Adjusted EBITDA in 2023.

"Adjusted EBITDA"

WES defines Adjusted EBITDA attributable to Western Midstream Partners, LP ("Adjusted EBITDA") as net income (loss), plus (i) distributions from equity investments, (ii) non-cash equity-based compensation expense, (iii) interest expense, (iv) income tax expense, (v) depreciation and amortization, (vi) impairments, and (vii) other expense (including lower of cost or market inventory adjustments recorded in cost of product), less (i) gain (loss) on divestiture and other, net, (ii) gain (loss) on early extinguishment of debt, (iii) income from equity investments, (iv) interest income, (v) income tax benefit, (vi) other income, and (vii) the noncontrolling interest owners' proportionate share of revenues and expenses.

		Three Months Ended					
thousands	Sep	ptember 30, 2023		June 30, 2023			
Reconciliation of Net income (loss) to Adjusted EBITDA							
Net income (loss)	\$	284,398	\$	259,516			
Add:							
Distributions from equity investments		41,562		54,075			
Non-cash equity-based compensation expense		7,171		7,665			
Interest expense		82,754		86,182			
Income tax expense		905		659			
Depreciation and amortization		147,363		143,492			
Impairments		245		234			
Other expense		1,269		199			
Less:							
Gain (loss) on divestiture and other, net		(1,480)		(70			
Gain (loss) on early extinguishment of debt		8,565		6,813			
Equity income, net – related parties		35,494		42,324			
Other income		27		2,872			
Adjusted EBITDA attributable to noncontrolling interests (1)		12,134		11,737			
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	510,927	\$	488,346			

"Adjusted EBITDA"

WES defines Adjusted EBITDA attributable to Western Midstream Partners, LP ("Adjusted EBITDA") as net income (loss), plus (i) distributions from equity investments, (ii) non-cash equity-based compensation expense, (iii) interest expense, (iv) income tax expense, (v) depreciation and amortization, (vi) impairments, and (vii) other expense (including lower of cost or market inventory adjustments recorded in cost of product), less (i) gain (loss) on divestiture and other, net, (ii) gain (loss) on early extinguishment of debt, (iii) income from equity investments, (iv) interest income, (v) income tax benefit, (vi) other income, and (vii) the noncontrolling interest owners' proportionate share of revenues and expenses.

	Three Months Ended				
nousands		September 30, 2023		June 30, 2023	
Reconciliation of Net cash provided by operating activities to Adjusted EBITDA					
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	394,787	\$	490,823	
Interest (income) expense, net		82,754		86,182	
Accretion and amortization of long-term obligations, net		(1,882)		(2,403)	
Current income tax expense (benefit)		806		728	
Other (income) expense, net		1,270		(2,872)	
Distributions from equity investments in excess of cumulative earnings - related parties		8,536		10,813	
Changes in assets and liabilities:					
Accounts receivable, net		60,614		(4,078)	
Accounts and imbalance payables and accrued liabilities, net		(12,535)		(36,885)	
Other items, net		(11,289)		(42,225)	
Adjusted EBITDA attributable to noncontrolling interests ⁽¹⁾		(12,134)		(11,737)	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	510,927	\$	488,346	
Cash flow information					
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	394,787	\$	490,823	
Net cash used in investing activities		(207,916)		(151,490)	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		88,670		(238,025	

"Free Cash Flow"

WES defines Free cash flow as net cash provided by operating activities less total capital expenditures and contributions to equity investments, plus distributions from equity investments in excess of cumulative earnings.

	Three Months Ended				
busands		September 30, 2023		June 30, 2023	
Reconciliation of Net cash provided by operating activities to Free cash flow					
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	394,787	\$	490,823	
Less:					
Capital expenditures		201,857		161,482	
Contributions to equity investments – related parties		1,021		22	
Add:					
Distributions from equity investments in excess of cumulative earnings - related parties		8,536		10,813	
Free cash flow	\$	200,445	\$	340,132	
Cash flow information					
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	394,787	\$	490,823	
Net cash used in investing activities		(207,916)		(151,490)	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		88,670		(238,025)	

"Adjusted Gross Margin"

WES defines Adjusted gross margin attributable to Western Midstream Partners, LP ("Adjusted gross margin") as total revenues and other (less reimbursements for electricity-related expenses recorded as revenue), less cost of product, plus distributions from equity investments, and excluding the noncontrolling interest owners' proportionate share of revenues and cost of product.

	Three Months Ended					
thousands	September 30, 2023			June 30, 2023		
Reconciliation of Gross margin to Adjusted gross margin						
Total revenues and other	\$	776,013	\$	738,273		
Less:						
Cost of product		27,590		44,746		
Depreciation and amortization		147,363		143,492		
Gross margin		601,060		550,035		
Add:						
Distributions from equity investments		41,562		54,075		
Depreciation and amortization		147,363		143,492		
Less:						
Reimbursed electricity-related charges recorded as revenues		29,981		23,286		
Adjusted gross margin attributable to noncontrolling interests ⁽¹⁾		18,095		16,914		
Adjusted gross margin	\$	741,909	\$	707,402		
Adjusted gross margin for natural-gas assets	\$	518,765	\$	489,476		
Adjusted gross margin for crude-oil and NGLs assets		139,430		147,036		
Adjusted gross margin for produced-water assets		83,714		70,890		