
UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): August 10, 2026

California Resources Corporation

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

001-36478
(Commission
File Number)

46-5670947
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

1 World Trade Center
Suite 1500
Long Beach
California
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

90831
(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (888) 848-4754

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- ☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class
Common Stock

Trading Symbol(s)
CRC

Name of each exchange on which registered
New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 10, 2026, California Resources Corporation (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing its financial condition and results of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2026. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report on Form 8-K, and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained in this Item 2.02 and the exhibit hereto shall not be deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), and shall not be incorporated by reference into any filings made by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as may be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**(d) Exhibits**

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release dated August 10, 2026.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

California Resources Corporation

/s/ Michael L. Preston

Name: Michael L. Preston

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Strategy Officer and General Counsel

DATED: August 10, 2026



California Resources Corporation Reports Second Quarter 2026 Financial and Operating Results

Strengthens California's Leading Energy Platform Through Strategic Acquisition

Sustainable Operational Efficiency Gains Enhance 2026 Outlook and Further Reduces Estimated Long-Term Maintenance Capital

LONG BEACH, Calif., August 10, 2026 - California Resources Corporation (NYSE: CRC) today reported its financial and operating results for the second quarter of 2026. The Company plans to host a conference call and webcast at 1 p.m. ET (10 a.m. PT) on Monday, August 10, 2026. Conference call details can be found within this release.

Highlights

- Delivered average net production of 149 thousand barrels of oil equivalent per day (MBoe/d) (81% oil)
- Reported net income of \$514 million which includes the non-cash gain from changes in the fair value of outstanding commodity derivatives, adjusted net income¹ of \$88 million and \$338 million of adjusted EBITDAX¹
- Generated net cash provided by operating activities of \$263 million or \$300 million of net cash provided by operating activities before net changes in operating assets and liabilities¹
- Delivered \$114 million of free cash flow¹ or \$151 million of free cash flow before net changes in operating assets and liabilities¹
- Returned \$36 million to shareholders through dividends²
- Ended the quarter with \$1,279 million in borrowing capacity and \$43 million in available cash and cash equivalents³, representing \$1,322 million of liquidity^{1, 3}

Other Highlights

- Announced the signing of a definitive purchase agreement to acquire Crimson Midstream Holdings, LLC ("Crimson") from CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. for total cash consideration of \$63 million, subject to customary adjustments. See *California Resources Corporation Expands Integrated California Energy Infrastructure Platform Through Strategic Midstream Acquisition* for additional information
- Lowered California long-term maintenance capital outlook by reducing drilling, completions and workover capital expectations by approximately 5% to a \$450 million to \$475 million range with six drilling rigs, compared to seven previously
- Optimized capital structure, reduced annual interest payments and extended maturities through recent \$550 million offering of 7.250% senior notes due 2035 (2035 Senior Notes) and subsequent redemption of all remaining 8.250% senior notes due 2029 (2029 Senior Notes)

- Announced the Golden Valley Technology Hub project, a proposed data center development in partnership with Beacon Data Centers (Beacon), at CRC's Elk Hills field. See www.goldenvalleytechhub.com for additional information
- Implemented more than 100% of the annual Berry merger synergy target, representing \$103 million of annualized savings six months ahead of schedule
- Achieved first carbon dioxide (CO₂) injection and revenue at Carbon TerraVault I (CTV I), California's inaugural carbon capture and storage (CCS) project. See *Carbon TerraVault Provides Second Quarter 2026 Update* for additional information

"Our teams are executing exceptionally well, delivering durable operational improvements across our asset base," said Francisco Leon, CRC's President and Chief Executive Officer. "Recent efficiency gains and continued Berry synergy capture are strengthening our long-term outlook. Specifically, we are now able to maintain flat California production with fewer rigs and less maintenance capital, creating operational and financial momentum into 2027 and beyond.

"Today, we also announced the planned acquisition of Crimson's California pipeline systems and storage assets, a strategic infrastructure investment that strengthens our California platform. In parallel, our team continued to advance the Golden Valley Technology Hub with Beacon, leveraging CRC's assets to meet California's growing AI demand for reliable power. These developments strengthen CRC's integrated energy platform, reinforce our commitment to California and create long-term value for our shareholders, Californians and the communities we serve."

Second Quarter 2026 Results

- Operating expenses and general and administrative expenses were in line with expectations reflecting solid execution and the ongoing capture of Berry merger-related synergies
- Invested total capital of \$149 million including drilling, completions and workover capital¹ of \$101 million; total capital was higher than initial expectations driven by a 25% increase in drilling activity across the California portfolio
- Built approximately 137 thousand barrels of oil (MBo) of inventory due to temporary takeaway constraints, equivalent to approximately 1.5 MBo/d, which, together with weaker differentials and higher operating and transportation costs, reduced second quarter adjusted EBITDAX¹ and net cash provided by operating activities before net changes in operating assets and liabilities¹ by approximately \$25 million. The substantial majority of this inventory was sold in July 2026

Select Production, Price and Financial Results and Non-GAAP Measures (\$ in millions except production and prices)	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026
Net oil production per day (MBbl/d)	120	124
Realized oil price without derivative settlements (\$ per Bbl)	\$ 91.55	\$ 74.53
Realized oil price with derivative settlements (\$ per Bbl) ¹	\$ 76.43	\$ 69.37
Net NGL production per day (MBbl/d)	10	10
Realized NGL price (\$ per Bbl)	\$ 49.62	\$ 44.98
Net natural gas production per day (Mmcfd)	115	117
Realized natural gas price (\$ per Mcf)	\$ 1.84	\$ 3.56
Net total production per day (MBoe/d)	149	154
Margin from purchased commodities ¹	\$ 11	\$ 18
Electricity revenue net of electricity generation expenses ¹	\$ (4)	\$ 6
Net gain (loss) from commodity sales derivatives ¹	\$ 205	\$ (848)
Other operating expenses net of other revenue ¹	\$ 56	\$ 44
Select Financial Statement Data and Non-GAAP Measures: (\$ and shares in millions, except per share amounts)	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026
Total operating revenues before net (loss) gain from commodity derivatives ¹	\$ 1,092	\$ 967
Operating costs	\$ 347	\$ 365
General and administrative expenses	\$ 97	\$ 106
Adjusted general and administrative expenses ¹	\$ 89	\$ 99
Taxes other than on income	\$ 66	\$ 67
Transportation costs	\$ 30	\$ 26
Operating income (loss)	\$ 511	\$ (711)
Interest and debt expense, net	\$ 28	\$ 29
Income tax benefit	\$ (56)	\$ (49)
Deferred income tax benefit	\$ (55)	\$ (50)
Net income (loss)	\$ 514	\$ (711)
Weighted-average common shares outstanding - diluted	89.3	88.7
Net income (loss) per share - diluted	\$ 5.76	\$ (8.02)
Adjusted net income ¹	\$ 88	\$ 79
Adjusted net income per share ¹ - diluted	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.88
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 263	\$ 99
Net cash provided by operating activities before net changes in operating assets and liabilities ¹	\$ 300	\$ 247
Capital investments	\$ 149	\$ 131
Adjusted EBITDAX ¹	\$ 338	\$ 304
Free cash flow ¹	\$ 114	\$ (32)

2026 Guidance Highlights

CRC reaffirmed its full-year 2026 total capital outlook and reduced expected full-year 2026 drilling, completions and workover capital by \$10 million to \$370 million to \$390 million while targeting approximately 1% entry-to-exit gross production growth. Stronger operating efficiencies across the portfolio, together with the impact of lower estimated oil prices on production-sharing contracts, provide increased confidence in achieving these targets and strengthen the Company's long-term outlook.

CRC expects to operate an average of five rigs in California and one rig in Utah during the second half of 2026 and currently holds sufficient permits to support its 2026 capital program. The Company also continues to build its permit inventory in support of anticipated 2027 operations. Following the closing of the pending transaction, CRC expects to provide additional financial and operating guidance. The following table provides key current third-quarter and full-year 2026 financial and operating guidance⁴. See Attachment 2 for additional information.

CRC Guidance	3Q26E	Total Year 2026E
Net Production (MBoe/d)	151 - 154	150 - 155
Percentage Oil	80%	80%
Capital Investments (\$ millions)	\$150 - \$170	\$520 - \$560
Adjusted EBITDAX ¹ (\$ millions)	\$285 - \$325	\$1,200 - \$1,300

Shareholder Returns

On August 10, 2026, CRC's Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.405 per share of common stock, payable to shareholders of record on September 4, 2026. The dividend is expected to be paid on September 18, 2026.

In the second quarter 2026, CRC returned \$36 million in dividends to shareholders. Since 2021, the Company has returned approximately \$1,655 million to shareholders, including \$1,180 million in share repurchases and \$475 million in dividends².

Balance Sheet and Liquidity

In June 2026, CRC completed an offering of \$550 million of 2035 Senior Notes. The proceeds, together with cash on hand, were used to redeem all \$550 million of the Company's outstanding 2029 Senior Notes for total consideration of \$573 million. The redemption resulted in a \$28 million loss on extinguishment of debt, including a \$23 million premium paid and \$5 million write-off of unamortized debt issuance costs, net of unamortized premium. Following this redemption, CRC had outstanding \$750 million of 2034 Senior Notes and \$550 million of 2035 Senior Notes.

As of June 30, 2026, CRC had liquidity of \$1,322 million^{1,3}, consisting of \$43 million in available cash and cash equivalents³ and \$1,279 million of available borrowing capacity under its Revolving Credit Facility (which reflects \$1,460 million of borrowing capacity less \$181 million of outstanding letters of credit and no balance outstanding on the Revolving Credit Facility).

Participation in Upcoming Investor Conferences

CRC is scheduled to participate in the following events in August and September 2026:

- Citi 2026 Natural Resources Conference, August 12 and 13, Las Vegas, NV
- Seaport 15th Annual Summer Investor Conference, August 18, Virtual
- Daniel Energy Partners, Executive Series, September 1 to 3, Pebble Beach, CA
- Barclays 40th Annual Energy-Power Conference, September 9 and 10, New York, NY
- NYSE Energy & Utilities Investor Access Day, September 24, Virtual
- PEP Energy Conference 2026, September 29, Austin, TX

CRC's presentation materials will be available on the day of the event on its website. See the Events and Presentations page under the Investor Relations section at www.crc.com.

Conference Call Details

A conference call and webcast is planned for 1 p.m. ET (10 a.m. PT) on Monday, August 10, 2026. To participate in the call, dial (877) 328-5505 (International calls dial +1 (412) 317-5421) or access via webcast at www.crc.com. Participants may also pre-register for the conference call at <https://dpre register.com/sreg/10209577/1041fba52bd>. A digital replay of the conference call will be available for approximately 90 days.

¹ See Attachment 3 for the non-GAAP financial measures of adjusted net income (loss), adjusted net income (loss) per share - basic and diluted, net cash provided by operating activities before net changes in operating assets and liabilities, adjusted EBITDAX, free cash flow, free cash flow before net changes in operating assets and liabilities, adjusted general and administrative expenses, total operating revenues before net (loss) gain from commodity derivatives, margin from purchased commodities, electricity revenue net of electricity generation expenses and other operating expenses net of other revenue, including reconciliations to the most directly comparable GAAP measure without unreasonable effort. See Attachment 2 for the 3Q26 and 2026 estimates of the non-GAAP measures of adjusted EBITDAX, adjusted general and administrative expenses, margin from purchased commodities, other operating expenses net of other revenue and electricity revenue net of electricity generation expenses, including reconciliations to its most directly comparable GAAP measure, without unreasonable effort. See Attachment 1 for a reconciliation of drilling completion and workover capital to total capital investments, and non-cash commodity derivative (loss) gain from combined derivatives to net (loss) gain from combined derivatives, reported under GAAP.

² All of CRC's future quarterly dividends and share repurchases are subject to commodity prices, debt agreement covenants and Board of Directors' approval. The total value of shares purchased excludes commissions and excise taxes. Commissions paid on share repurchases were not significant in all periods presented.

³ Excludes restricted cash of \$13 million.

⁴ 3Q26 guidance assumes Brent price of \$83.14 per barrel of oil, NGL realizations as a percentage of Brent consistent with prior years and a NYMEX gas price of \$2.95 per mcf. Total year 2026 guidance assumes Brent price of \$84.51 per barrel of oil, NGL realizations as a percentage of Brent consistent with prior years and a NYMEX gas price of \$3.55 per mcf.

About California Resources Corporation

California Resources Corporation (CRC) is an independent energy and carbon management company advancing the energy transition. CRC is committed to environmental stewardship while safely providing local, responsibly sourced energy. CRC is also focused on maximizing the value of its land, mineral ownership, and energy expertise for decarbonization by developing CCS and other emissions reducing projects. For more information about CRC, please visit www.crc.com.

About Carbon TerraVault

Carbon TerraVault (CTV), CRC's carbon management business, develops services to capture, transport and permanently store carbon dioxide (CO₂) for its customers. CTV is advancing a portfolio of carbon capture and storage (CCS) projects, including CTV I, which is now operational and injecting CO₂ for permanent sequestration in a depleted reservoir deep underground. For more information, visit www.carbonterravault.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

Information set forth in this communication, including financial estimates and statements as to the effects of the Berry Merger and the Crimson acquisition, constitute “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and other securities laws. All statements other than historical facts are forward-looking statements, and include statements regarding the benefits of the Berry Merger and the Crimson acquisition, CRC's future financial position, business strategy, projected revenues, earnings, costs, capital expenditures and plans and objectives and intentions of management for the future. Words such as “expect,” “could,” “may,” “anticipate,” “intend,” “plan,” “ability,” “believe,” “seek,” “see,” “will,” “would,” “estimate,” “forecast,” “target,” “guidance,” “outlook,” “opportunity” or “strategy” or similar expressions are generally intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based upon the current beliefs and expectations of the management of CRC and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in, projected in, or implied by, such statements.

Although CRC believes the expectations and forecasts reflected in its forward-looking statements are reasonable, they are inherently subject to numerous risks and uncertainties, most of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond its control. No assurance can be given that such forward-looking statements will be correct or achieved or that the assumptions are accurate or will not change over time. Particular uncertainties that could cause CRC's actual results to be materially different than those expressed in its forward-looking statements are described in its most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and its other periodic filings with the SEC. These factors include, but are not limited to: fluctuations in commodity prices; production levels and/or pricing by OPEC, OPEC+ or U.S. producers; government policy, war and political conditions and events; integration efforts and projected synergies and other benefits in connection with the Berry Merger, Crimson acquisition and other acquisitions; divestitures and joint ventures; regulatory actions and changes that affect the oil and gas industry generally and us in particular; the efforts of activists to delay or prevent oil and gas activities or the development of CRC's carbon management segment; changes in business strategy and the ability and financial resources to execute our capital plan in a timely manner; lower-than-expected production; changes to estimates of reserves and related future cash flows; the recoverability of resources and unexpected geologic conditions; general economic conditions and trends; results from operations and competition in the industries in which it operates; CRC's ability to realize the anticipated benefits from prior or future efforts to reduce costs; environmental risks and liability; the benefits contemplated by its energy transition strategies and initiatives; CRC's ability to successfully identify, develop and finance carbon capture and storage projects, power projects and other renewable energy efforts; delays from government approvals and otherwise that could affect the timing of first injection of CO₂; future dividends and share repurchases and de-leveraging efforts; and natural disasters, accidents, mechanical failures, power outages, labor difficulties, cybersecurity breaches or attacks or other catastrophic events.

CRC cautions you not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements contained in this document, which speak only as of the date hereof, and CRC is under no obligation, and expressly disclaims any obligation to update, alter or otherwise revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. This communication may also contain information from third-party sources. This data may involve a number of assumptions and limitations, and CRC has not independently verified them and does not warrant the accuracy or completeness of such third-party information.

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STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS, SELECT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

(\$ and shares in millions, except per share amounts)

Statements of Operations:**Revenues**

	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
Oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids sales	\$ 1,056	\$ 905	\$ 702	\$ 1,961	\$ 1,516
Net gain (loss) from commodity derivatives	205	(848)	157	(643)	163
Revenue from marketing of purchased commodities	26	41	56	67	120
Electricity revenue	6	11	58	17	80
Other revenue	4	10	5	14	11
Total operating revenues	1,297	119	978	1,416	1,890

Operating Expenses

Operating costs	347	365	295	712	611
General and administrative expenses	97	106	79	203	151
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	131	133	128	264	259
Taxes other than on income	66	67	47	133	117
Costs related to marketing of purchased commodities	15	23	41	38	91
Electricity generation expenses	10	5	5	15	15
Transportation costs	30	26	20	56	40
Accretion expense	27	27	28	54	57
Net loss on natural gas purchase derivatives	5	24	3	29	(3)
Measurement period adjustments, net	(2)	—	—	(2)	1
Other operating expenses, net	60	54	65	114	98
Total operating expenses	786	830	711	1,616	1,437

Operating Income (Loss)

511 (711) 267 (200) 453

Non-Operating (Expenses) Income

Interest and debt expense, net	(28)	(29)	(25)	(57)	(52)
Equity loss from unconsolidated subsidiaries	(2)	(2)	—	(4)	(1)
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	(28)	(21)	—	(49)	(1)
Other non-operating income, net	5	3	—	8	5

Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes

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Income tax benefit (provision)

56 49 (70) 105 (117)

Net Income (Loss)

\$ 514 \$ (711) \$ 172 \$ (197) \$ 287

Net income per share - basic	\$ 5.79	\$ (8.02)	\$ 1.93	\$ (2.22)	\$ 3.20
Net income per share - diluted	\$ 5.76	\$ (8.02)	\$ 1.92	\$ (2.22)	\$ 3.18
Adjusted net income	\$ 88	\$ 79	\$ 98	\$ 167	\$ 196
Adjusted net income per share - basic	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.89	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.88	\$ 2.18
Adjusted net income per share - diluted ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.88	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.87	\$ 2.17
Weighted-average common shares outstanding - basic	88.8	88.7	89.0	88.7	89.8
Weighted-average common shares outstanding - diluted ⁽¹⁾	89.3	88.7	89.4	88.7	90.3
Effective tax rate	(12)%	6 %	29 %	35 %	29 %

(\$ in millions)

Cash Flow Data:

Net cash provided by operating activities
Net cash used in investing activities
Net cash used in financing activities

2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
\$ 263	\$ 99	\$ 165	\$ 362	\$ 351
\$ (153)	\$ (136)	\$ (51)	\$ (289)	\$ (130)
\$ (94)	\$ (55)	\$ (256)	\$ (149)	\$ (521)

(\$ in millions)

Select Balance Sheet Information:

Total current assets
Property, plant and equipment, net
Total current liabilities
Long-term debt, net
Noncurrent asset retirement obligations
Total stockholders' equity

June 30, 2026	December 31, 2025
\$ 697	\$ 938
\$ 5,923	\$ 5,905
\$ 1,055	\$ 1,050
\$ 1,281	\$ 1,283
\$ 923	\$ 913
\$ 3,402	\$ 3,674

(1) Adjusted net income per share - diluted for the three months ended March 31, 2026 is calculated using weighted average shares outstanding of 89.5 million shares. Adjusted net income per share - diluted for the six months ended June 30, 2026 is calculated using weighted average shares outstanding of 89.3 million shares.

GAINS AND LOSSES FROM COMMODITY DERIVATIVES

(\$ millions)

Non-cash gain (loss) from commodity sales derivatives
Net settlements and premiums
Net gain (loss) from commodity sales derivatives

2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
\$ 370	\$ (792)	\$ 140	\$ (422)	\$ 162
(165)	(56)	17	(221)	1
\$ 205	\$ (848)	\$ 157	\$ (643)	\$ 163

Non-cash (gain) loss from natural gas purchase derivatives
Settlements
Net loss (gain) from natural gas purchase derivatives

\$ (20)	\$ 12	\$ (4)	\$ (8)	\$ (22)
25	12	7	37	19
\$ 5	\$ 24	\$ 3	\$ 29	\$ (3)

Non-cash gain (loss) from combined commodity derivatives
Net settlements and premiums from combined derivatives
Net gain (loss) from combined commodity derivatives

\$ 390	\$ (804)	\$ 144	\$ (414)	\$ 184
(190)	(68)	10	(258)	(18)
\$ 200	\$ (872)	\$ 154	\$ (672)	\$ 166

CAPITAL INVESTMENTS

	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
(\$ millions)					
Facilities ⁽¹⁾	\$ 38	\$ 37	\$ 17	\$ 75	\$ 25
Drilling and completions	77	53	19	130	34
Workovers	24	17	15	41	34
Other	6	9	—	15	—
Oil and natural gas segment	145	116	51	261	93
Carbon management segment	3	12	5	15	7
Corporate and other	1	3	—	4	11
Total capital investment	<u>\$ 149</u>	<u>\$ 131</u>	<u>\$ 56</u>	<u>\$ 280</u>	<u>\$ 111</u>

LIQUIDITY

	June 30, 2026	December 31, 2025
(\$ millions)		
Available cash and cash equivalents ⁽¹⁾	\$ 43	\$ 117
Revolving credit facility:		
Borrowing capacity	1,460	1,460
Outstanding letters of credit	(181)	(176)
Availability	<u>\$ 1,279</u>	<u>\$ 1,284</u>
Liquidity	<u>\$ 1,322</u>	<u>\$ 1,401</u>

(1) Excludes restricted cash of \$13 million and \$15 million at June 30, 2026 and December 31, 2025, respectively.

CRC GUIDANCE	Consolidated 3Q26E	Oil and Natural Gas Segment	Carbon Management Segment
Net production (MBoe/d)	151 - 154		
Net oil production (%)	80%		
Operating costs (\$ millions)	\$360 - \$380	\$360 - \$380	
General and administrative expenses (\$ millions)	\$82 - \$92	\$12 - \$16	\$0 - \$2
<i>Adjusted general and administrative expenses (\$ millions)</i>	<i>\$75 - \$85</i>	<i>\$12 - \$16</i>	<i>\$0 - \$2</i>
Depreciation, depletion and amortization (\$ millions)	\$126 - \$138	\$120 - \$130	
Capital investments (\$ millions)	\$150 - \$170	\$150 - \$165	\$0 - \$2
Adjusted EBITDAX (\$ millions)	\$285 - \$325		
Margin from purchased commodities (\$ millions) ⁽¹⁾	\$11 - \$15		
Electricity revenue net of electricity generation expenses (\$ millions)	\$18 - \$24		
Other operating expenses net of other revenue (\$ millions) ⁽²⁾	\$20 - \$32		\$4 - \$12
Transportation costs (\$ millions)	\$30 - \$35	\$20 - \$24	
Taxes other than on income (\$ millions)	\$70 - \$80	\$62 - \$68	
Interest and debt expense (\$ millions)	\$27 - \$31		
Other Assumptions:			
Brent (\$/Bbl)	\$83.14		
NYMEX (\$/Mcf)	\$2.95		
Price realization oil - % of Brent:	91% - 94%		
Price realization NGLs - % of Brent:	48% - 54%		
Price realization natural gas - % of NYMEX:	97% - 103%		
Current income tax provision (\$ millions) ⁽³⁾	\$(2) - \$2		
Effective tax rate	33% - 37%		

CRC GUIDANCE	Consolidated 2026E	Oil and Natural Gas Segment	Carbon Management Segment
Net production (MBoe/d)	150 - 155		
Net oil production (%)	80%		
Operating costs (\$ millions)	\$1,425 - \$1,475	\$1,425 - \$1,475	
General and administrative expenses (\$ millions)	\$365 - \$385	\$51 - \$63	\$4 - 10
<i>Adjusted general and administrative expenses (\$ millions)</i>	<i>\$335 - \$350</i>	<i>\$51 - \$63</i>	<i>\$4 - 10</i>
Depreciation, depletion and amortization (\$ millions)	\$520 - \$540	\$500 - \$510	
Capital investments (\$ millions)	\$520 - \$560	\$505 - \$530	\$10 - \$18
Adjusted EBITDAX (\$ millions)	\$1,200 - \$1,300		
Margin from purchased commodities (\$ millions) ⁽¹⁾	\$50 - \$65		
Electricity revenue net of electricity generation expenses (\$ millions)	\$20 - \$40		
Other operating expenses net of other revenue (\$ millions) ⁽²⁾	\$135 - \$145		\$20 - \$30
Transportation costs (\$ millions)	\$115 - \$125	\$75 - \$85	
Taxes other than on income (\$ millions)	\$272 - \$282	\$240 - \$246	
Interest and debt expense (\$ millions)	\$115 - \$125		
Other Assumptions:			
Brent (\$/Bbl)	\$84.51		
NYMEX (\$/Mcf)	\$3.55		
Price realization oil - % of Brent:	92% - 96%		
Price realization NGLs - % of Brent:	52% - 57%		
Price realization natural gas - % of NYMEX:	80% - 85%		
Current income tax provision (\$ millions) ⁽³⁾	\$(2) - \$2		
Effective tax rate	33% - 37%		

⁽¹⁾ Margin from purchased commodities is calculated as the difference between revenue from marketing of purchased commodities and costs related to marketing of purchased commodities, and excludes costs of transportation.

⁽²⁾ Other operating revenue and expenses, net is calculated as the difference between other revenue and other operating expenses, net and includes exploration expense and CMB expenses. CMB expenses includes lease cost for sequestration easements, advocacy, and other startup related costs.

See Attachment 3 for management's disclosure of its use of these non-GAAP measures and how these measures provide useful information to investors about CRC's results of operations and financial condition.

⁽³⁾ Current income tax composition is subject to variability and depends on a number of factors, including but not limited to, final taxable income determinations, the availability and utilization of net operating loss carryforwards (NOLs), applicable tax credits, and other differences between book and taxable income. Accordingly, the current provision may vary from period to period and should not be viewed as indicative of future tax obligations.

FORWARD LOOKING NON-GAAP RECONCILIATIONS

(\$ millions)	3Q26E					
	Consolidated		Oil and Natural Gas Segment		Carbon Management Segment	
	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High
General and administrative expenses	\$ 82	\$ 92	\$ 12	\$ 16	\$ —	\$ 2
Equity-settled stock-based compensation	(7)	(7)	—	—	—	—
Estimated adjusted general and administrative expenses	\$ 75	\$ 85	\$ 12	\$ 16	\$ —	\$ 2

(\$ millions)	Consolidated	
	3Q26E	
	Low	High
Revenue from marketing of purchased commodities	\$ 32	\$ 48
Costs related to marketing of purchased commodities	(21)	(33)
Margin from purchased commodities	\$ 11	\$ 15

(\$ millions)

Other operating expenses, net

Other revenue

Other operating expenses net of other revenue

Consolidated	
3Q26E	
Low	High
\$ 23	\$ 39
(3)	(7)
\$ 20	\$ 32

(\$ millions)

General and administrative expenses

Equity-settled stock-based compensation

Estimated adjusted general and administrative expenses

2026E					
Consolidated		Oil and Natural Gas Segment		Carbon Management Segment	
Low	High	Low	High	Low	High
\$ 365	\$ 385	\$ 51	\$ 63	\$ 4	\$ 10
(30)	(35)	—	—	—	—
\$ 335	\$ 350	\$ 51	\$ 63	\$ 4	\$ 10

(\$ millions)

Revenue from marketing of purchased commodities

Costs related to marketing of purchased commodities

Margin from purchased commodities

Consolidated	
2026E	
Low	High
\$ 138	\$ 163
(88)	(98)
\$ 50	\$ 65

(\$ millions)

Other operating expenses, net

Other revenue

Other operating expenses net of other revenue

Consolidated	
2026E	
Low	High
\$ 156	\$ 174
(21)	(29)
\$ 135	\$ 145

NON-GAAP RECONCILIATIONS

To supplement the presentation of its financial results prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), management uses certain non-GAAP measures to assess its financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. These measures are also widely used by the industry, the investment community and CRC's lenders. Although these are non-GAAP measures, the amounts included in the calculations were computed in accordance with GAAP. Certain items excluded from these non-GAAP measures are significant components in understanding and assessing CRC's financial performance, such as CRC's cost of capital and tax structure, as well as the effect of acquisition and development costs of CRC's assets. Management believes that the non-GAAP measures presented, when viewed in combination with CRC's financial and operating results prepared in accordance with GAAP, provide a more complete understanding of the factors and trends affecting the Company's performance. The non-GAAP measures presented herein may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures of other companies. Below are additional disclosures regarding each of these non-GAAP measures, including reconciliations to their most directly comparable GAAP measure where applicable.

ADJUSTED NET INCOME (LOSS)

Adjusted net income (loss) and adjusted net income (loss) per share are non-GAAP measures. CRC defines adjusted net income as net income excluding the effects of significant transactions and events that affect earnings but vary widely and unpredictably in nature, timing and amount. These events may recur, even across successive reporting periods. Management believes these non-GAAP measures provide useful information to the industry and the investment community interested in comparing CRC's financial performance between periods. Reported earnings are considered representative of management's performance over the long term. Adjusted net income (loss) is not considered to be an alternative to net income (loss) reported in accordance with GAAP. The following table presents a reconciliation of the GAAP financial measure of net income and net income attributable to common stock per share to the non-GAAP financial measures of adjusted net income and adjusted net income per share.

	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
(\$ millions, except per share amounts)					
Net income (loss)	\$ 514	\$ (711)	\$ 172	\$ (197)	\$ 287
Unusual, infrequent and other items:					
Non-cash derivative (gain) loss on Brent based commodity contracts	(370)	792	(140)	422	(162)
Non-cash derivative (gain) loss on natural gas derivative contracts	(20)	12	—	(8)	—
Severance and termination costs	—	25	6	25	8
Merger-related costs	1	1	—	2	3
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	28	21	—	49	1
Offshore platform expense	10	10	—	20	—
Litigation and settlements	—	—	25	—	25
Measurement period adjustments, net	(2)	—	—	(2)	1
Other, net	12	8	6	20	(3)
Total unusual, infrequent and other items	(341)	869	(103)	528	(127)
Income tax (benefit) provision of adjustments at the combined tax rate	(85)	(79)	29	(164)	36
Adjusted net income	\$ 88	\$ 79	\$ 98	\$ 167	\$ 196
Net income (loss) per share – basic	\$ 5.79	\$ (8.02)	\$ 1.93	\$ (2.22)	\$ 3.20
Net income (loss) per share – diluted	\$ 5.76	\$ (8.02)	\$ 1.92	\$ (2.22)	\$ 3.18
Adjusted net income per share – basic	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.89	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.88	\$ 2.18
Adjusted net income per share – diluted	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.88	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.87	\$ 2.17

ADJUSTED EBITDAX

CRC defines adjusted EBITDAX as earnings before interest expense; income taxes; depreciation, depletion and amortization; exploration expense; other unusual, infrequent and out-of-period items; and other non-cash items. CRC believes this measure provides useful information in assessing its financial condition, results of operations and cash flows and is widely used by the industry, the investment community and its lenders. Although this is a non-GAAP measure, the amounts included in the calculation were computed in accordance with GAAP. Certain items excluded from this non-GAAP measure are significant components in understanding and assessing CRC's financial performance, such as its cost of capital and tax structure, as well as depreciation, depletion and amortization of CRC's assets. This measure should be read in conjunction with the information contained in CRC's financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP. A version of adjusted EBITDAX is a material component of certain of its financial covenants under CRC's Revolving Credit Facility and is provided in addition to, and not as an alternative for, income and liquidity measures calculated in accordance with GAAP.

These materials include forward-looking non-GAAP financial measures, including adjusted EBITDAX. CRC is unable to provide a reconciliation of such forward-looking non-GAAP measures to the most directly comparable forward-looking GAAP financial measures because certain information needed to reconcile these measures is dependent on future events, many of which are outside of CRC's control and cannot be reasonably predicted at this time. These items include, but are not limited to, changes in working capital, the timing and amount of capital accruals, and other non-cash or unusual items. Accordingly, a quantitative reconciliation is not available without unreasonable efforts.

The following table represents a reconciliation of the GAAP financial measures of net income and net cash provided by operating activities to the non-GAAP financial measure of adjusted EBITDAX. CRC has included non-GAAP measures of adjusted EBITDAX for its oil and gas segment and its carbon management segment below. Management believes these segment non-GAAP measures are useful for investors to understand the results of our core businesses.

	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
(\$ millions, except per BOE amounts)					
Net (loss) income	\$ 514	\$ (711)	\$ 172	\$ (197)	\$ 287
Interest and debt expense	28	29	25	57	52
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	131	133	128	264	259
Income tax (benefit) provision	(56)	(49)	70	(105)	117
Interest income	—	(1)	(2)	(1)	(5)
Equity loss from unconsolidated subsidiaries	2	2	—	4	1
Exploration expense	27	—	1	27	1
Unusual, infrequent and other items ⁽¹⁾	(341)	869	(103)	528	(127)
Non-cash items					
Accretion expense	27	27	28	54	57
Stock-based compensation	8	7	7	15	13
Pension and post-retirement benefits	(2)	(2)	(2)	(4)	(3)
Adjusted EBITDAX	\$ 338	\$ 304	\$ 324	\$ 642	\$ 652
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 263	\$ 99	\$ 165	\$ 362	\$ 351
Cash interest payments	26	1	39	27	50
Cash interest received	—	(1)	(2)	(1)	(5)
Cash income taxes	16	—	39	16	39
Exploration expense	27	—	1	27	1
Working capital changes	6	205	82	211	216
Adjusted EBITDAX	\$ 338	\$ 304	\$ 324	\$ 642	\$ 652
Net (loss) income per Boe	\$ 37.93	\$ (51.19)	\$ 13.78	\$ (7.18)	\$ 11.42
Adjusted EBITDAX per Boe	\$ 24.94	\$ 21.89	\$ 25.95	\$ 23.40	\$ 25.93

⁽¹⁾ See Adjusted Net Income (Loss) reconciliation.

SEGMENT ADJUSTED EBITDAX

This measure should be read in conjunction with Note 16 *Segment Information* in CRC's 2025 Annual Report. A reconciliation of the non-GAAP measure of segment adjusted EBITDAX cannot be reconciled to the comparable measure of operating cash flow prepared in accordance with GAAP without unreasonable effort.

Oil and Natural Gas Segment (\$ millions)	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
Segment profit	\$ 427	\$ 281	\$ 194	\$ 711	\$ 460
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	124	128	121	251	247
Exploration expense	27	—	1	27	1
Accretion expense	27	27	28	54	57
Adjusted income items	3	3	2	7	3
Adjusted EBITDAX - Oil and Natural Gas	\$ 608	\$ 439	\$ 346	\$ 1,050	\$ 768
Carbon Management Segment					
Segment loss	\$ (13)	\$ (12)	\$ (20)	\$ (25)	\$ (45)
Interest on contingent liability (related to Carbon TerraVault JV)	3	3	2	6	5
Equity loss from unconsolidated subsidiary	2	1	1	3	2
Adjusted EBITDAX - Carbon Management	\$ (8)	\$ (8)	\$ (17)	\$ (16)	\$ (38)

FREE CASH FLOW

Management uses free cash flow, which is defined by CRC as net cash provided by operating activities less capital investments, as a measure of liquidity. The following table presents a reconciliation of CRC's net cash provided by operating activities to free cash flow.

(\$ millions)	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 263	\$ 99	\$ 165	\$ 362	\$ 351
Capital investments	(149)	(131)	(56)	(280)	(111)
Free cash flow	\$ 114	\$ (32)	\$ 109	\$ 82	\$ 240

FREE CASH FLOW BEFORE NET CHANGES IN OPERATING ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Management uses free cash flow before changes in operating assets and liabilities, which is defined by CRC as net cash provided by operating activities less net changes in operating assets and liabilities and capital investments, as a measure of liquidity. The following table presents a reconciliation of CRC's net cash provided by operating activities to free cash flow before net changes in operating assets and liabilities.

(\$ millions)	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 263	\$ 99	\$ 165	\$ 362	\$ 351
Net changes in operating assets and liabilities	37	148	56	185	122
Net cash provided by operating activities before net changes in operating assets and liabilities	300	247	221	547	473
Capital investments	(149)	(131)	(56)	(280)	(111)
Free cash flow before net changes in operating assets and liabilities	\$ 151	\$ 116	\$ 165	\$ 267	\$ 362

ADJUSTED GENERAL & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Management uses a measure called adjusted general and administrative (G&A) expenses and adjusted G&A per BOE to provide useful information to investors interested in comparing CRC's costs between periods and performance to its peers.

	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
(\$ millions)					
General and administrative expenses	\$ 97	\$ 106	\$ 79	\$ 203	\$ 151
Stock-based compensation	(8)	(7)	(7)	(15)	(13)
Adjusted G&A expenses	<u>\$ 89</u>	<u>\$ 99</u>	<u>\$ 72</u>	<u>\$ 188</u>	<u>\$ 138</u>
G&A per BOE	\$ 7.16	\$ 7.63	\$ 6.33	\$ 7.40	\$ 6.01
Adjusted G&A per BOE	\$ 6.57	\$ 7.13	\$ 5.77	\$ 6.85	\$ 5.49

TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES BEFORE NET (LOSS) GAIN FROM COMMODITY DERIVATIVES

Management uses a measure called total operating revenues before net (loss) gain from commodity derivatives, which is calculated as the difference between total operating revenues less net (loss) gain from commodity derivatives.

	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
(\$ millions)					
Total operating revenues	\$ 1,297	\$ 119	\$ 978	\$ 1,416	\$ 1,890
Less: Net gain (loss) from commodity derivatives	205	(848)	157	(643)	163
Total operating revenues before net gain (loss) from commodity derivatives	<u>\$ 1,092</u>	<u>\$ 967</u>	<u>\$ 821</u>	<u>\$ 2,059</u>	<u>\$ 1,727</u>

MARGIN FROM PURCHASED COMMODITIES

Management uses a measure called margin from purchased commodities, which is calculated as the difference between revenue from purchased commodities and costs related to purchased commodities. This non-GAAP measure excludes transportation costs.

	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
(\$ millions)					
Revenue from purchased commodities	\$ 26	\$ 41	\$ 56	\$ 67	\$ 120
Costs related to purchased commodities	(15)	(23)	(41)	(38)	(91)
Margin from purchased commodities	<u>\$ 11</u>	<u>\$ 18</u>	<u>\$ 15</u>	<u>\$ 29</u>	<u>\$ 29</u>

ELECTRICITY REVENUE NET OF ELECTRICITY GENERATION EXPENSES

Management uses a measure called electricity revenue net of electricity generation expenses, which is calculated as the difference between electricity revenue and electricity generation expenses.

	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
(\$ millions)					
Electricity revenue	\$ 6	\$ 11	\$ 58	\$ 17	\$ 80
Electricity generation expenses	(10)	(5)	(5)	(15)	(15)
Electricity revenue net of electricity generation expenses	<u>\$ (4)</u>	<u>\$ 6</u>	<u>\$ 53</u>	<u>\$ 2</u>	<u>\$ 65</u>

OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES NET OF OTHER REVENUE

Management uses a measure called other operating expenses net of other revenue, which is calculated as the difference between other operating expenses, net and other revenue.

	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
(\$ millions)					
Other operating expenses, net	\$ 60	\$ 54	\$ 65	\$ 114	\$ 98
Other revenue	(4)	(10)	(5)	(14)	(11)
Other operating expenses net of other revenue	\$ 56	\$ 44	\$ 60	\$ 100	\$ 87

PRODUCTION STATISTICS

	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
Net Production Per Day					
Oil (MBbl/d)					
San Joaquin Basin	93	96	83	94	84
Los Angeles Basin	15	17	17	16	17
Uinta Basin	3	3	—	3	—
Other Basins	9	8	9	9	9
Total	120	124	109	122	110
NGLs (MBbl/d)					
San Joaquin Basin	10	10	10	10	10
Total	10	10	10	10	10
Natural Gas (MMcf/d)					
San Joaquin Basin	93	95	96	95	99
Los Angeles Basin	1	1	1	1	1
Sacramento Basin	10	10	12	10	12
Uinta Basin	9	8	—	9	—
Other Basins	2	3	2	2	2
Total	115	117	111	117	114
Total Net Production (MBoe/d)	149	154	137	152	139

	2nd Quarter 2026	1st Quarter 2026	2nd Quarter 2025	Six Months 2026	Six Months 2025
Gross Operated and Net Non-Operated Production Per Day					
Oil (MBbl/d)					
San Joaquin Basin	102	103	89	102	90
Los Angeles Basin	21	21	21	21	21
Uinta Basin	4	4	—	4	—
Other Basins	9	9	11	10	11
Total	136	137	121	137	122
NGLs (MBbl/d)					
San Joaquin Basin	10	10	11	10	11
Uinta Basin	1	—	—	1	—
Other Basins	—	1	—	—	—
Total	11	11	11	11	11
Natural Gas (MMcf/d)					
San Joaquin Basin	128	127	134	128	134
Los Angeles Basin	6	6	6	6	6
Sacramento Basin	13	13	14	13	15
Uinta Basin	12	11	—	11	—
Other Basins	3	3	4	3	3
Total	162	160	158	161	158
Total Gross Production (MBoe/d)	174	175	158	175	159

PRICE STATISTICS

	2nd Quarter 2026		1st Quarter 2026		2nd Quarter 2025		Six Months 2026		Six Months 2025	
Oil (\$ per Bbl)										
Realized price with derivative settlements	\$	76.43	\$	69.37	\$	66.73	\$	72.88	\$	69.39
Realized price without derivative settlements	\$	91.55	\$	74.53	\$	65.07	\$	82.97	\$	69.34
NGLs (\$/Bbl)	\$	49.62	\$	44.98	\$	42.41	\$	47.29	\$	48.60
Natural gas (\$/Mcf)										
Realized price without derivative settlements	\$	1.84	\$	3.56	\$	2.79	\$	2.72	\$	3.46
Index Prices										
Brent oil (\$/Bbl)	\$	96.87	\$	77.90	\$	66.76	\$	87.38	\$	70.84
WTI oil (\$/Bbl)	\$	92.79	\$	71.93	\$	63.74	\$	82.36	\$	67.58
NYMEX average monthly settled price (\$/MMBtu)	\$	2.90	\$	5.04	\$	3.44	\$	3.97	\$	3.55
Realized Prices as Percentage of Index Prices										
Oil with derivative settlements as a percentage of Brent		79 %		89 %		100 %		83 %		98 %
Oil without derivative settlements as a percentage of Brent		95 %		96 %		97 %		95 %		98 %
Oil with derivative settlements as a percentage of WTI		82 %		96 %		105 %		88 %		103 %
Oil without derivative settlements as a percentage of WTI		99 %		104 %		102 %		101 %		103 %
NGLs as a percentage of Brent		51 %		58 %		64 %		54 %		69 %
NGLs as a percentage of WTI		53 %		63 %		67 %		57 %		72 %
Natural gas with derivative settlements as a percentage of NYMEX contract month average		63 %		71 %		81 %		69 %		97 %
Natural gas without derivative settlements as a percentage of NYMEX contract month average		63 %		71 %		81 %		69 %		97 %

SECOND QUARTER 2026 DRILLING ACTIVITY

Wells Drilled	San Joaquin Basin	Los Angeles Basin	Sacramento Basin	Uinta Basin	Other Basins	Total
Development Wells						
Primary	22	1	—	1	—	24
Waterflood	33	1	—	—	—	34
Steamflood	39	—	—	—	—	39
Total ⁽¹⁾	94	2	—	1	—	97

⁽¹⁾ Includes steam injectors and drilled but uncompleted wells, which are not included in the SEC definition of wells drilled.