




Date: April 1, 2020

To: **Water Resources and Watershed Committee**
Maria Gutzeit, Chair
B.J. Atkins
Edward Colley
William Cooper
Jeff Ford
E.G. "Jerry" Gladbach

From: Steve Cole, Assistant General Manager 

The **Water Resources and Watershed Committee** is scheduled to meet via teleconference on **Wednesday, April 8, 2020 at 6:00 PM**, dial information is listed below.

**TELECONFERENCE ONLY
NO PHYSICAL LOCATION FOR MEETING**

TELECONFERENCING NOTICE

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without otherwise complying with the Brown Act's teleconferencing requirements.

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We request that the public submit any comments in writing if practicable, which can be sent to cfowler@scvwa.org or mailed to Cheryl Fowler, Administrative Analyst, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, 26501 Summit Circle, Santa Clarita, CA 91350. All written comments received before 4:00 PM the day of the meeting will be distributed to the Committee members and posted on the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency website prior to the meeting. Anything received after 4:00 PM the day of the meeting will be posted on the SCV Water website the following day.

MEETING AGENDA

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1.	Public Comments – Members of the public may comment as to items not on the Agenda at this time. Members of the public wishing to comment on items covered in this Agenda may do so now or at the time each item is considered. (Comments may, at the discretion of the Committee Chair, be limited to three minutes for each speaker.)	
2.	Water Resources Director's Report 2.1 Update on Ongoing Staff Activities	
3.	* Review and Discussion of FY 2019/20 and FY 2020/21 Water Resources Operating Budget and Minor and Major Capital Projects Budgets	3
4.	* Update on Conservation Activities & Performance	9
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6.	Adjournment	
*	Indicates Attachment	
◆	Indicates Handout	

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Posted on April 2, 2020.

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REVIEW OF FY 2019/20 AND FY 2020/21 WATER RESOURCES' OPERATING AND MAJOR AND MINOR CAPITAL BUDGETS

WATER RESOURCES AND WATERSHED COMMITTEE

APRIL 8, 2020

ITEM NO. 3

WATER RESOURCES OPERATING BUDGET

WR BUDGET CODE: 0011300000		FY 2019/20	FY 2019/20	FY 2019/20	FY 2020/21	FY 2020/21	FY 2020/21
		BUDGET	Year End Estimate	% INCREASE/ DECREASE	APPROVED BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET REQUEST	% INCREASE/ DECREASE
52045	Materials and Services (Education)	\$ 64,000	\$ 54,000	84%	\$ 66,000	\$ 66,000	100%
52025	Community Relations Promotions (Giveaways, water, etc.)	\$ 67,000	\$ 55,000	82%	\$ 69,000	\$ 59,000	86%
52030	DD Landowner Expenditures (Prop Tax, site monitoring)	\$ 145,000	\$ 100,000	69%	\$ 163,500	\$ 200,000	122%
Outside Services							
53218	Agency Publications (Printing, Website, CCR)	\$ 27,000	\$ 23,000	85%	\$ 27,000	\$ 27,000	100%
53219	BMP Implementation (Conservation Pgms)	\$ 1,700,000	\$ 1,350,000	79%	\$ 1,800,000	\$ 1,800,000	100%
53222	Public Outreach Activities	\$ 59,000	\$ 39,000	66%	\$ 35,000	\$ 59,000	169%
53223	Public Relations Consulting (Consultants, Media Buy)	\$ 81,000	\$ 75,000	93%	\$ 81,000	\$ 88,500	109%
53236	Professional Services/Consultants (CASGEM, KJ, Database)	\$ 450,000	\$ 350,000	78%	\$ 475,000	\$ 625,000	132%
53243	Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA)	\$ 998,520	\$ 800,000	80%	\$ 1,005,460	\$ 1,300,000	129%
53244	Website Online Presence	\$ 28,500	\$ 37,000	130%	\$ 26,970	\$ 115,000	426%
53245	Campaigns and Messaging	\$ 165,000	\$ 85,000	52%	\$ 174,000	\$ 150,000	86%
Utilities							
54300	DD Variable DWR Charges (Move water through SWP)	\$ -	\$ 13,023		\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	100%
Source of Supply							
55501	Buena Vista/Rosdale Rio Bravo Supply (11,000 AF)	\$ 3,581,253	\$ 3,581,253	100%	\$ 4,297,504	\$ 4,297,504	100%
55502	Firming Programs (Banking) FROM RESERVE ACCOUNT	\$ -	\$ 427,000		\$ 3,000,000		
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53242	Legislative Advocate Services	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000		\$ 300,000	\$ 325,000	108%

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100050	Recycled Water Master Plan PEIR (CEQA)	\$200,000	\$325,000
100051	SNMP Implementation	\$100,000	\$200,000
100052	UWMP 2020	\$400,000	\$550,000
110007	Integrated Regional Water Management	\$190,000	\$220,000
110017	Yuba Accord Water	\$96,000	\$150,000
200013	Water Conservation and Education Garden	\$150,000	\$1,080,000
NEW	Water Shortage Contingency Plan	\$0	\$75,000

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COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 30, 2020
TO: Water Resources and Watershed Committee
FROM: Matthew S. Dickens, MPA *MSD*
Resource Conservation Manager
SUBJECT: Update on Conservation Activities and Performance

SUMMARY AND DISCUSSION

General Conservation Program Updates

Conservation Professional Services Temporarily Suspended – On March 12, 2020, SCV Water proactively paused the Residential, Commercial/Industrial/Institutional, and Dedicated Landscape Check-Up programs which are carried out by SCV Water’s consultant WaterWise Consulting, Inc. The Check-Up suspension was issued prior to Governor Newsom’s March 19, 2020, ‘Safer-at-Home’ Order. As noted in SCV Water’s March 27, 2020 press release, a WaterWise Consulting, Inc employee demonstrated COVID-19 symptoms on March 12, 2020, following check-up support at one of the multi-family properties in SCV Water’s service territory. Staff worked with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (LADPH) and the apartment complex manager to determine next steps and to notify tenants and the public of the incident. Prior to the notification, LADPH advised SCV Water of the “no to low risk” status and deferred all notification decisions to SCV Water. To better serve our customers, and with an abundance of caution, SCV Water proceeded with the tenant and subsequent public notification. Check-Up programs will remain on hold until all COVID-19 related orders, guidance procedures, and internal direction states otherwise. WaterWise Consulting Inc. has closed its offices indefinitely.

Virtual Conservation Support – WaterSMART Workshop – In response to the temporary suspension of the Check-Up program, staff have retooled our High Consumption Letters (HCL) to direct customers to the WaterSMART Workshop. HCLs are sent to customers with water use exceeding their monthly water efficiency goal or significantly higher than their historical consumption from the same month last year, or from the previous month. The workshop provides interactive education opportunities including how to locate and repair leaks, save water inside and outside of the home, and information on programs offered by SCV Water. Upon completion of the WaterSMART Workshop, customers receive a customized report detailing findings and a \$20 incentive within 90 days of completion.

CII Program Updates

Multi-Family Apartment Program (Phase II) – Conservation continued Phase II of the Multi-Family Apartment project in March 2020. Phase II check-ups include 4 apartment complexes in SCV Water’s service territory, where 3 have been completed. The check-ups include installation of high efficiency (HE) showerheads, kitchen and bathroom faucet aerators, and pre-inspection of the toilets. Currently, ~1,400 ultra-high efficiency toilet (UHET) units have been installed and

2,300 additional units are expected to be retrofitted in FY19/20. Conservation is anticipating the customer to submit the first rebate request for 1,400 units. Additional rebates requests are on hold in response to COVID-19 orders.

Status of Special Projects

Conservatory Garden – The Conservatory Garden Technical Advisory Group (CONGA-TAG) continued research specific to design concept. Members of the team visited Vista Del Lago Visitor Center at Lake Pyramid in late February 2020 and conducted calls with exhibit management staff the Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the Aquarium of the Pacific exhibit design consultant. The CONGA-TAG is writing up the project description for use in soliciting both engineering and design consultant support. Concept documents are scheduled to be completed in April 2020.

Bridgeport Pocket Park – Conservation staff is working with an irrigation design consultant to finalize plans necessary to convert the current turf irrigation system. Irrigation plans will modify the existing system and add an extra dedicated irrigation zone for trees. The plan design process is expected to be completed by mid-April 2020. Once completed, SCV Water and City of Santa Clarita staff will proceed through the City's approval process. Following the City's approval, and barring any significant change, Conservation staff will solicit requests for proposals to construct the garden and present findings and recommendations to the SCV Water Board of Directors.

Recycled Water Customer Engagement – Conservation staff have met with the City of Santa Clarita, County of Los Angeles, homeowners' associations, and school districts' staff to develop and design the Purple PREP (Planning, Retrofit, and Effectuating Program). Staff is working on finalizing the program's parameters including support for site inventory audits, site supervisor training, permitting fees, retrofit installation cost-estimates, signage requirements, and material needs. Regulations require end-use customers to modify their sites in order to use recycled water.

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2 Update on Conservatory Garden & Pocket Park Pilot Projects		C				C																				
3 Update on Conservation Strategies																										
4 Update on Recycled Water New Drop Program							C																			
5 Devil's Den Semi-Annual Report		C																C								
6 Status of Water Supply and Water Banking Programs		C					C													C						
7 Status of Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Implementation				C								CNL	C							C				P		
8 Status of Recycled Water Program																										
9 Status of Sites Reservoir Project									C																	
10 Status of Efforts Relating to Groundwater Spreading Pilot Program																										
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12 Update on Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Activities		C																								
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14 Status of Upper Santa Clara River Salt and Nutrient Management Plan		C																C								
15 Status of Rosedale Rio-Bravo Water Storage District Banking and Exchange Program Extraction Facilities		C																								
16 Presentation on the Rosedale-RioBravo Drought Relief Project											C															
17 Status of Devil's Den Solar Generation Facilities																		C								
18 Recommend Approval of a Resolution of Application by SCVWA Requesting Los Angeles LAFCO Initiate Proceedings For Annexation of Tesoro Del Valle, Making Responsible Agency Findings Pursuant to CEQA and Approving the Project in SCVWA's Limited Role as Responsible Agency		C	C																							
19 CLOSED SESSION: Water Transfer/Exchange				C	C	C																				
20 Status of Activities to Recover Stored Water from Existing Water Banking or Exchange Programs to Meet 2020 Imported Water Demands																		C								

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