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PUBLIC OUTREACH AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING

**Thursday, January 19, 2023
Meeting Begins at 5:30 PM**

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Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency
Engineering Services Section
Boardroom
26521 Summit Circle
Santa Clarita, CA 91350

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Date: January 12, 2023

To: **Public Outreach and Legislation Committee**
Maria Gutzeit, Chair
Kathye Armitage
Beth Braunstein
Ed Colley

From: Steve Cole, Assistant General Manager *SC*

The **Public Outreach and Legislation Committee** meeting is scheduled on **Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 5:30 PM** at **26521 Summit Circle, Santa Clarita, CA 91350** in the **Engineering Services Section (ESS) Boardroom**. Members of the public may attend in person or virtually. To attend this meeting virtually, please see below.

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MEETING AGENDA

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To: Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency; Public Outreach & Legislation Committee
From: Van Scoyoc Associates (VSA); Geoff Bowman, Pete Evich, and Ashley Strobel
Date: January 10, 2023
Subject: January 2023 Report

President Biden Signs the FY2023 Appropriations Bill into Law

Congress finished the 117th session by enacting the FY2023 omnibus appropriations bill, which was signed into law by President Biden on December 29th. The bill includes Representative Garcia's \$300,000 Community Project Funding request for the Bouquet Canyon Creek Restoration Project. This can be found on page 66 of the explanatory statement of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies section of the AG-FDA bill.

- See the explanatory statement [here](#).

Also included in the Energy & Water bill is the \$50,000 Congressionally Directed Spending request for the Upper Santa Clara River Watershed Management Project, submitted by Senators Feinstein and Padilla. This can be found on page 216 of the explanatory statement of the Energy & Water Bill.

- See the explanatory statement [here](#).

VSA has thanked the Congressional delegation for the inclusion of the projects in the omnibus and will keep SCV Water apprised on the next steps for receiving the allocated funding for the projects.

Water Resources Development Act of 2022 Enacted

On December 23rd, President Biden signed into law the [Water Resources Development Act of 2022](#) as part of the National Defense Authorization Act. The bill includes hundreds of new authorizations for environmental infrastructure projects (Section 219 projects). Included in the new Section 219 projects is a \$50 million authority for Los Angeles County, under which SCV Water would qualify for assistance. The bill also includes a provision to authorize the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) to provide technical assistance for the remediation of VOC's, similar to a previous authority providing assistance for perchlorate activities in the vicinity of the Santa Clara River. VSA is working on a strategy for SCV Water to engage the Corps of Engineers on these provisions. VSA also sent a thank you note to SCV Water's Congressional delegation for the inclusion of these provisions.

Final WOTUS Definition Released

On December 30th, the EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers issued a pre-publication version of the [final revised definition](#) of the pre-2015 guidance for Waters of the United States (WOTUS), which define waterbodies that are jurisdictional under the Clean Water Act. The revised definition is more closely aligned to Justice Kennedy’s “significant nexus” test than Justice Scalia’s “relatively permanent” test and is more expansive than the Trump-era Navigable Waters Protection rule. The final definition also provides more clarity on water bodies exempt from federal jurisdiction.

Additionally, the Biden Administration has announced plans to release a second rulemaking to update the WOTUS definition by November 2023 and finalize the rule by the following year. In the background the Supreme Court is expected to issue a verdict on the *Sackett v. EPA* case, which has the potential to affect the any current and future rulemaking. Biden Administration officials have stated they are open to working with impacted communities on drafting the second rule but have declined to comment on whether the case would affect it.

EPA Issues State Guidance on PFAS Pollution

On December 6th, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued a [memorandum](#) to States providing guidance on ways to use pollution discharge permitting guidelines to remove per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) pollution in detected surface water. The memo outlines possible management practices for PFAS discharges, including using the most up to date sampling and analysis methods in States’ respective National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) programs to identify PFAS and take remediation action by using pretreatment and permitting authorities. The memo is part of EPA’s action to address the chemicals under the [PFAS Strategic Roadmap](#).

EPA Launches New PFAS Tools for Communities

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has released a new interactive webpage, called the “PFAS Analytic Tools,” which provides information about per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) across the nation. This information will help the public, local government leaders, and other impacted communities better understand potential PFAS sources in their vicinity. The PFAS Analytic Tools bring together multiple sources of information in one location with mapping, charting, and filtering functions, allowing users to see where testing has been done and what level of detections were measured.

EPA’s PFAS Analytic Tools draws from multiple national databases and reports to consolidate information in one webpage. The PFAS Analytic Tools includes information on Clean Water Act PFAS discharges from permitted sources, reported spills containing PFAS constituents, facilities historically manufacturing or importing PFAS, federally owned locations where PFAS is being investigated, transfers of PFAS-containing waste, PFAS detection in natural resources such as fish or surface water, and drinking water testing results. The tools cover a broad list of PFAS and represent EPA’s ongoing efforts to provide the public with access to the growing amount of testing information that is available.

As the regulatory framework for PFAS chemicals is evolving, data users may want to pay attention to the caveats found within the site so that the completeness of the data sets is fully understood. Rather than wait for a complete national data to be available, EPA is publishing what is currently available while information continues to be collected. Users should also be aware that some of the datasets are complete at the national level whereas others are not.

The PFAS Analytic Tools can be accessed [here](#).

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-VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL-

January 10, 2023

To: Steve Cole, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency

From: Dennis Albiani, Anthony Molina, Annalee Akin, California Advocates

Subject: January 2023 Report

On January 4th, the California legislature had an eventful return to Sacramento amidst atmospheric rivers to begin the 2023-2024 legislative session. Amongst their return, several legislators requested a “State of Emergency Declaration” to Governor Gavin Newsom for the severe weather. Shortly thereafter, the Declaration was granted by Governor Newsom.

Furthermore, legislators continued introducing their legislative packages. To date, there have been 220 Assembly Bills and 71 Senate Bills introduced (albeit many of the Assembly bills being placeholders for budget language). In addition, both houses of the legislature have appointed the Chairs of their respective policy and budget subcommittees. The Chairs of significance to SCVWA include the following:

- Senator Josh Becker, Chair, Senate Budget Subcommittee #2 on Resources, Environmental Protection and Energy
- Senator David Min, Chair, Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee
- Assemblymember Steve Bennett, Chair, Assembly Budget Subcommittee #3 on Climate Crisis, Resources, Energy, and Transportation
- Assemblymember Rebeca Bauer-Kahan, Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee

Governor Newsom had an eventful first few days of his second term – which officially began with a march to the Capitol and inauguration events on January 6th. Following the festivities was the rapidly approaching the January 10th constitutional deadline for the Governor to release his proposed January Budget for FY 2023 -24. Governor Newsom unveiled a \$297 billion budget proposal with key plans to address the \$22.5 billion shortfall in funding while still advancing his priorities. Highlights of the budget include:

- Total FY 2023-24 Budget: \$297 Billion
- Total Budget Shortfall: \$22.5 Billion
- Total Budget Reserves: \$36.5 Billion
- Total Federal Funds Expected in California: \$136 Billion
- Total Climate Change Budget: \$48 billion

The previous budget allocated approximately \$54 billion over five years for climate change. 89% of the funding for the Climate Change has been protected, given the budget shortfall.

As the month progresses, we will continue to provide timely updates on bill introductions and budget updates of importance to SCVWA.

Governor's 2023-2024 Proposed Budget

On January 10, Governor Gavin Newsom submitted his 2023-24 State Budget proposal to the Legislature. The \$297 billion budget is a sharp turn from historic surpluses we have seen recently due to the nature of California's economy. The estimated budget gap facing California is now \$22.5 billion, which is less than the previously projected \$24 shortfall released from the Legislative Analyst's Office in the fall of 2022. Governor Newsom announced that the solutions to this budget problem include \$7.4 billion in funding delays, \$5.7 billion in reductions, \$4.3 billion in fund shifts, \$3.9 billion in trigger reductions, and \$1.2 billion in borrowed funds. Please find the full summary of the Governor's Proposed Budget [HERE](#).

Below are key investments included in the Governor's Proposed Budget Plan on Natural Resources and Water:

Urban Flood Risk Reduction

\$135.5 million General Fund over two years to support local agencies working to reduce urban flood risk.

2023 Drought Contingency

\$125 million General Fund one-time as a drought contingency set-aside to be allocated as part of the spring budget process, when additional water data will be available to inform future drought needs.

Planning and Permitting for New Water Supplies

\$4.7 million Waste Discharge Permit Fund in 2023-24, and \$5.7 million Waste Discharge Permit Fund and \$408,000 Safe Drinking Water Account ongoing to support planning and permitting for projects that produce new water supplies.

Modernizing Water Rights

\$31.5 million General Fund one-time in 2023-24 to continue development of the Updating Water Rights Data for California Project to enhance California's water management capabilities.

Urban Water Use Objectives

\$7 million General Fund over four years to implement Chapter 679, Statutes of 2022, (SB 1157), which established a new foundation for long-term improvements in water conservation and drought planning to adapt to climate change and the resulting longer and more intense droughts. This approach is based on water use efficiency standards for certain categories of water use, including indoor residential water use.

San Joaquin River Basin Groundwater Recharge: Water Availability Analysis and Technical Assistance
\$4.9 million General Fund over five years to continue to provide local water districts methodologies and tools to conduct water availability analyses, which will help facilitate groundwater recharge, one of the core pillars of the Water Supply Strategy.

Stream Gages

\$4.7 million General Fund over two years to begin reactivation of historical stream gages, consistent with the SB 19 Stream Gaging Prioritization Plan and as called for in the Water Supply Strategy.

Below are reductions included in the Governor’s Proposed Budget Plan on Natural Resources and Water:

Zero-Emission Vehicles (ZEV)

The Budget includes \$2.5 billion of General Fund reductions across various ZEV programs, which are partially offset by approximately \$1.4 billion in fund shifts to Cap-and-Trade funds. The Administration will pursue additional federal funding to help offset this decrease such as the federal IRA’s \$100 billion to states for clean energy and climate investments.

Watershed Resilience Programs

A reduction of \$24 million from the General Fund in 2023-24 and a delay of an additional \$270 million General Fund to 2024-25. This maintains approximately \$470 million (95 percent) across various watershed resilience programs.

Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Cleanup

A reduction of \$70 million from the General Fund in 2023-24 and a delay of an additional \$30 million General Fund to 2024-25. This maintains approximately \$130 million (65 percent) of PFAS cleanup resources.

Water Recycling

A reduction of \$40 million from the General Fund in 2023-24. This maintains approximately \$760 million (95 percent) to support water recycling and groundwater clean-up.

State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program

A reduction of \$40 million from the General Fund in 2022-23. This maintains approximately \$120 million (75 percent) to support farm water use efficiency projects.

Aqueduct Solar Panels

A reduction of \$15 million from the General Fund in 2021-22. This maintains approximately \$20 million (57 percent) to support aqueduct solar panel pilot studies.

Urban Flood Risk Reduction

\$135.5 million General Fund over two years to support local agencies working to reduce urban flood risk

2023 Proposed Legislation

We continue to represent SCVWA on the State Legislative Committee Meeting, ACWA staff and State Legislative Committee (SLC). The SLC will meet on January 20th to make additional decisions about which

bills will be sponsored and prioritized this legislative session. We will work diligently with SCVWA and stakeholders to continue vetting ACWA's proposals and addressing concerns and continue to send updates as bill language is released and these proposals progress. Below is a list of the proposals for sponsorship and support by ACWA:

- Legislative Proposal 1: Service Charges on the Property Tax Bill: Statutory Clarification
- Legislative Proposal 2: Water Supply and Flood Risk Reduction Project Regulatory Permit Streamlining
- Legislative Proposal 3: Water Law: Judges and Adjudications
- Legislative Proposal 4: Proposition 218 Implementation
- Legislative Proposal 5: Bonus Incentives and/or Variances for Desalinated Supplies

Regulatory

Declaration of a State of Emergency in Response to Severe Storms

On January 4th, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed a state of emergency throughout California to protect Californians from severe winter storms. The declaration supported the mobilization of the California National Guard and directed Caltrans to request immediate assistance through the Federal Highway Administrations Emergency Relief Program. The Flood Operations Center was also supported by both the federal and state government to cover forecasting, reservoir operations coordination, and provide technical support and materials.

Governor Newsom Appointments

Nancy Ward, has been appointed Director of the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services.

Ward has been a Retired Annuitant at the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services since 2017, where she was Chief Deputy Director and Department of Homeland Security Advisor from 2014 to 2017. In 2009, she served as the FEMA Acting Administrator within the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Ward was Regional Administrator for FEMA Region IX from 2006 to 2014 and served as FEMA Response and Recovery Division Director from 2000 to 2006.

Ben Turner, has been appointed Chief Policy and Planning Advisor at the California Department of Conservation.

Turner has been a Program Manager at the California Public Utilities Commission since 2020. He was Assistant Director for Legislative and Regulatory Affairs at the Department of Conservation from 2015 to 2020, Legislative and Communications Director in the Office of State Assemblymember Kevin Mullin from 2013 to 2015 and Policy Consultant in the Office of State Senator Fran Pavley from 2011 to 2013. Turner was Legislative Director in the Office of State Assemblymember Bob Wieckowski from 2010 to 2011, Senior Legislative Aide in the Office of State Assemblymember Pedro Nava from 2008 to 2010 and a Jesse M. Unruh Assembly Fellow there from 2007 to 2008.

California Advocates, Inc. Activity Report

- Followed up with stakeholders and legislative staff regarding legislation, budget, and regulatory inquiries.
- Participated in ACWA MMLG meeting.

- Attended Inaugural events for Governor Gavin Newsom.

Important Dates and Deadlines for 2023

January

Jan. 10 – Budget must be submitted by Governor

Jan. 16 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day Observed

Jan. 20 – Last day for bill requests to be submitted to Legislative Counsel for drafting

February

Feb. 17 – Last day for bills to be introduced

Feb. 20 – Presidents' Day Observed

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Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency
Legislative Status Report 1/10/2023

[AB 30](#) **([Ward D](#)) Atmospheric Rivers: Research, Mitigation, and Climate Forecasting Program.** (Introduced: 12/5/2022 [html](#) [pdf](#))
Status: 12/6/2022-From printer. May be heard in committee January 5.
Location: 12/5/2022-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law establishes the Atmospheric Rivers: Research, Mitigation, and Climate Forecasting Program in the Department of Water Resources. Existing law requires the department, upon an appropriation for purposes of the program, to research climate forecasting and the causes and impacts that climate change has on atmospheric rivers, to operate reservoirs in a manner that improves flood protection, and to reoperate flood control and water storage facilities to capture water generated by atmospheric rivers. This bill would rename that program the Atmospheric Rivers Research and Forecast Improvement Program: Enabling Climate Adaptation Through Forecast-Informed Reservoir Operations and Hazard Resiliency (AR/FIRO) Program. The bill would require the department to research, develop, and implement new observations, prediction models, novel forecasting methods, and tailored decision support systems to improve predictions of atmospheric rivers and their impacts on water supply, flooding, post-wildfire debris flows, and environmental conditions. The bill would also require the department to take all actions within its existing authority to operate reservoirs in a manner that improves flood protection in the state and to reoperate flood control and water storage facilities to capture water generated by atmospheric rivers.

Organization	Assigned	Position	Priority	Subject	Group
SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

Notes 1:

[AB 62](#) **([Mathis R](#)) Statewide water storage: expansion.** (Introduced: 12/6/2022 [html](#) [pdf](#))
Status: 1/4/2023-Read first time.
Location: 12/6/2022-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law declares that the protection of the public interest in the development of the water resources of the state is of vital concern to the people of the state and that the state shall determine in what way the water of the state, both surface and underground, should be developed for the greatest public benefit. Existing law establishes within the Natural Resources Agency the State Water Resources Control Board and the California regional water quality control boards. Existing law requires the work of the state board to be divided into at least 2 divisions, known as the Division of Water Rights and the Division of Water Quality. This bill would establish a statewide goal to increase above- and below-ground water storage capacity by a total of 3,700,000 acre-feet by the year 2030 and a total of 4,000,000 acre-feet by the year 2040. The bill would require the state board, in consultation with the Department of Water Resources, to design and implement measures to

increase statewide water storage to achieve the statewide goal. The bill would require the state board, beginning July 1, 2027, and on or before July 1 every 2 years thereafter until January 1, 2043, in consultation with the department, to prepare and submit a report to the Legislature on the progress made in designing and implementing measures to achieve the statewide goal. This bill contains other existing laws.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

Notes 1:

[AB 66](#) (Mathis R) Natural Resources Agency: water storage projects: permit approval. (

Introduced: 12/6/2022 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/4/2023-Read first time.

Location: 12/6/2022-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law establishes the Natural Resources Agency, composed of departments, boards, conservancies, and commissions responsible for the restoration, protection, and management of the state's natural and cultural resources. Existing law establishes in the agency the Department of Water Resources, which manages and undertakes planning with regard to water resources in the state. This bill would require the agency, and each department, board, conservancy, and commission within the agency, to approve the necessary permits for specified projects within 180 days from receiving a permit application, and would deem those permits approved if approval does not occur within this time period.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

Notes 1:

[ACA 2](#) (Alanis R) Public resources: Water and Wildfire Resiliency Act of 2023. (

Introduced: 12/5/2022 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 12/6/2022-From printer. May be heard in committee January 5.

Location: 12/5/2022-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing provisions of the California Constitution require the specified use of General Fund revenues, as described. This measure would establish the Water and Wildfire Resiliency Fund within the State Treasury, and would require the Treasurer to annually transfer an amount equal to 3% of all state revenues that may be appropriated as described from the General Fund to the Water and Wildfire Resiliency Fund. The measure would require the moneys in the fund to be appropriated by the Legislature and would require that 50% of the moneys in the fund be used for water projects, as specified, and that the other 50% of the moneys in the fund be used for forest maintenance and health projects, as specified.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

Notes 1:

[SB 3](#) (Dodd D) Discontinuation of residential water service: community water system. (

Introduced: 12/5/2022 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 12/6/2022-From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 5.

Location: 12/5/2022-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law, the Water Shutoff Protection Act, prohibits an urban and community water system, defined as a public water system that supplies water to more than 200 service connections, from discontinuing residential service for nonpayment, as specified, and requires specified procedures before it can discontinue residential service for nonpayment. Existing law defines a community water system as a public water system that serves at least 15 service connections used by yearlong residents or regularly serves at least 25 yearlong residents of the area served by the system. This bill would expand the scope of the Water Shutoff Protection Act by requiring that it instead apply to a community water system, defined to have the same meaning as existing law. The bill would require a community water system that supplies water to 200 service connections or fewer to comply with the act's provisions on and after August 1, 2024.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

Notes 1:

[SB 23](#) (Caballero D) Water supply and flood risk reduction projects: expedited permitting. (

Introduced: 12/5/2022 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 12/6/2022-From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 5.

Location: 12/5/2022-S. RLS.

Summary: The California Safe Drinking Water Act provides for the operation of public water systems and imposes on the State Water Resources Control Board various duties and responsibilities for the regulation and control of drinking water in the state, including, among other things, overseeing the issuance and enforcement of public water system permits, as provided. Existing law authorizes specified works of improvement for the control, conservation, and utilization of destructive flood waters and the reclamation and protection of lands that are susceptible to overflow by flood waters. This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to expedite the regulatory permitting process for water supply and flood risk reduction projects, as provided. This bill contains other existing laws.

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SCV Water Agency	DKA AA				

Notes 1:

[SB 66](#) (Hurtado D) Water: predictive models and data collection. (Introduced: 1/5/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#))

Status: 1/6/2023-From printer. May be acted upon on or after February 5.

Location: 1/5/2023-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law establishes the Department of Water Resources in the Natural Resources

Agency and the State Water Resources Control Board in the California Environmental Protection Agency. Existing law requires the department, as part of updating The California Water Plan every five years, to conduct a study to determine the amount of water needed to meet the state's future needs and to recommend programs, policies, and facilities to meet those needs. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to ensure that reliable predictive models and data collection systems are used to properly forecast and allocate surface water.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: STEVE COLE, SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY

FROM: HUNT BRALY

RE: December 2022 Report

DATE: 1-11-2023

I have provided a synopsis of activities performed on behalf of the Agency in December

RECURRING ACTIVITIES/MEETING ATTENDANCE:

1. Safe, Clean Water Program (Measure W) Watershed Area Steering Committee Santa Clara River Meeting was held on December 1st and I provided that report in my summary last month. The next meeting scheduled for January 5th was cancelled. The next meeting is on February 2nd.
2. Attended Virtual County Board of Supervisors Meetings on December 6 and 20 and January 10. The report on the December 6 meeting was contained in my previous month's report.

The December 20 meeting had an initial discussion on a controversial cell tower in Stevenson Ranch which was continued until January 31, 2023. In addition, a CUP for 6 homes up Sierra Highway was approved. Finally, a \$2 million grant to Bridge to Home in Santa Clarita for its construction of a permanent homeless facility was approved at the request of Supervisor Barger.

In the January 10th meeting there were no Santa Clarita Specific items. The Board did approve continued efforts to execute the Countywide Community Workforce Agreement with the Building Trades Union.

3. Monitored the following City Council Meetings

City Council Meeting December 13, 2022

There were two meetings held. The first was the reorganization of the City Council and the swearing in of Laurene Weste, Marsha McLean and Bill Miranda after their successful re-election to the City Council. Bill Miranda missed the meeting and was sworn in several days later. Jason Gibbs was elected as the new Mayor and Cameron Smyth as Mayor Pro Tem.

After a break the regular meeting was held. There were no Public Hearing Items on the Agenda. The key matters on the consent item were the adoption of the 2022 California Building Code, renewal of its federal advocacy contract, begun the preparation of the EIR for the Santa Clarita Commercial Center

Project (which is an industrial project west of Railroad Avenue below Circle J) and adopted midyear revisions to the City's Budget.

City Council Meeting January 10, 2023

Public Comment centered on both sides of an apparent plan for Planned Parenthood opening and office in the Santa Clarita Valley. There was the proclamation for Martin Luther King Day and several comments about that event. Several speakers wanted an update on the no kill shelter proposal and City Manager Striplin reported that the staff report should be finished by the end of the March.

Councilwoman Weste once again discussed the fentanyl issue and showed several videos recently done on the issue from high school students.

The appointments of the 3 successful City Council members to their commission appointments were considered and approved. The list will be provided prior to our next meeting. There were no items of major interest on the Consent Calendar.

4. Participate in Virtual Public Outreach and Legislation Committee on December 15.
5. Monitored and reviewed Agency Board Agendas.
6. Reviewed weekly emails regarding articles of interest from Agency.



COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

ITEM NO. 4

DATE: January 11, 2023
TO: Public Outreach and Legislation Committee
FROM: Steve Cole
Assistant General Manager *SC*
SUBJECT: Year-in-Review of Outreach Efforts in 2022

SUMMARY

Communications staff will present a PowerPoint with highlights of outreach efforts in 2022.

STRATEGIC PLAN NEXUS

The work of the Outreach Department supports the overall Strategic Plan through education, public engagement, marketing and other internal and external methods of communication.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

None

RECOMMENDATION

Provided for information only.

Attachment:

PowerPoint Presentation Slides

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January 19, 2023

2022 Outreach Year in Review

Public Outreach and Legislation Committee

2022 OUTREACH YEAR IN REVIEW

SIGNIFICANT EFFORTS

- Drought
- Home & Garden Show

EDUCATION

- School Education Program
- Gardening Classes

CAMPAIGNS & ENGAGEMENT

- Planning Efforts
- PFAS
- Customer Care Billing
- Internal Engagement

ONLINE PRESENCE

- Social Media
- Digital Ads
- Website



DROUGHT OUTREACH: MESSAGING

Drought continued as the primary agency message through 2022.

Jan – March

- Water Shortage Contingency Plan: Stage 1
- Prohibited water waste measures
- SCV drought perspective & water supplies

April – Stage 2 WSCP Declared

May

- WSCP: Stage 2
- Prohibited water waste measures
- Irrigation requirements (days/times, etc.)

June

- Prohibited water waste measures
- Irrigation practices, requirements and exemptions
- Tree care
- Water-saving practices for all customers
- SCV water supplies and future resource planning

July

- Caring for Trees & Plants

August

- SCV-Friendly Lawn & Plants

September

- Non-functional Turf (CII customers)
- HOA CC&R enforcement (CII Customers)

October

- Irrigation requirements (days/times, etc.)

Nov

- Seasonal irrigation swap (change in irrigation times for landscapes)

Dec

- Lawn Replacement Program



DROUGHT OUTREACH: TOOLS (cont.)

DroughtReadySCV.com

- 5th most visited page on website;
61,000 page views

Collateral

- Signal SCV: Pride (direct mail to all customers; June)
- Stage 2 Drought Bulletin, Fact Sheet and FAQs

Water Currents e-news

- 3 drought special editions with average
open rate of 56%

Press

- 3 new releases (published in 3 – 5 outlets)
- The Signal: 1 op-ed; 1 news feature

- Telemundo Interview – Spanish Speaking Community

Paid advertising

- Newspaper, radio, print and digital
- Drought video ads - aired 2,782 times on 24 channels; **280,000 online views**

Community Events


- Home & Garden Show (4/30 and 5/1)
- Virtual Drought Forum (5/10)

Social Media

- Min. 3 drought posts per week, plus partner posts w/The Signal




DROUGHT OUTREACH






DROUGHT IS HERE. LET'S SAVE WATER TOGETHER!

THE 411 ON STAGE 1 OF OUR WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN

Recent rains gave California water supplies a boost, but not enough to let our guard down. It is still vitally important to save water as the Santa Clarita Valley remains in drought. In response to these persistent drought conditions throughout the SCV and the state, SCV Water has activated Stage 1 of its Water Shortage Contingency Plan and Water Conservation and Water Supply Shortage Ordinance.



Stage 1 encourages customers to voluntarily reduce their water use by a minimum of 10% and to participate in available rebate programs to increase water-use efficiency. Here's how you can help:

-  TAKE ADVANTAGE OF AVAILABLE REBATE PROGRAMS.
-  ADHERE TO ALL CURRENT WATER WASTE RESTRICTIONS.
-  REPORT WATER WASTE IF YOU SEE IT IN THE COMMUNITY.

SAVE A LITTLE BLUE ... AND A LITTLE GREEN! HERE ARE WAYS TO REDUCE YOUR WATER WASTE AND COMPLY WITH STAGE 1 RESTRICTIONS:



- Aim to eliminate runoff from your landscape.
- Use a hose with a shutoff nozzle when washing your car.
- Use a broom – not water - to sweep your sidewalk, driveway and hardscape.
- Turn off your irrigation during measurable rain (0.25 inch), and for at least 48 hours after.
- Only use fountains with recirculating pumps.
- Working together, we can weather the drought and meet the Governor's 15% voluntary conservation call.

DroughtReadySCV.com

Drought Mailer (Feb)

Drought Bulletin (May)

Stage 2 Drought Bulletin

 **REDUCE WATER USE BY 20%** 

DROUGHT CONDITIONS PERSIST IN CALIFORNIA WITH NO END IN SIGHT! Snowfall, precipitation, and reservoir levels are below average, and the State Water Project water allocation was lowered to 5% of contract for the second year in a row. In response, Governor Newsom has declared a statewide Drought Emergency and has asked all Californians to reduce water use.

SCV WATER HAS SUPPLIES TO MEET DEMANDS, BUT NOT A DROP TO WASTE! While SCV Water has prepared for consecutive dry years by banking unused supplies during wet years, we are now accessing our critical dry year supplies to meet customer demands. Every gallon we conserve today is a gallon that we can depend on tomorrow.

WATER WASTE IS PROHIBITED AND IRRIGATION WATERING RESTRICTIONS ARE NOW IN EFFECT. To encourage water conservation and to help stretch our banked supplies, on April 26, 2022 the SCV Water Board of Directors enacted Stage 2 of our Water Shortage Contingency Plan (yourSCVwater.com/wscp) and Water Conservation and Water Supply Shortage Ordinance (bit.ly/SCVwaterShortageOrdinance).

PROHIBITED MEASURES

- Water running off property (onto sidewalks, roads, parking lots, etc.)
- Washing vehicles with a hose not equipped with a shut-off nozzle
- Using potable water to wash down driveways and sidewalks
- Using outdoor irrigation during and 48 hours following measurable rain
- Irrigating public turf medians with potable water

WATERING RESTRICTIONS

- Water landscapes no more than 3 times per week
- Water landscapes only between midnight to 9 a.m. and/or 8 p.m. to midnight (May through October) for no more than 5 minutes per irrigation zone and/or no more than 10 minutes total on designated watering days

VIOLATIONS & PENALTIES

SCV Water's conservation goals focus on education and engagement. We encourage customers to take immediate action to eliminate water waste and to reduce irrigation use to avoid penalties. Violations of any of the prohibited actions could constitute a fine of up to a maximum of \$500 per day, per violation. The first violation is a warning. Future violations may initiate additional notices and fines.

YOUR GO TO RESOURCE FOR ALL THINGS DROUGHT
Visit DroughtReadySCV.com to find water saving-resources, rebates and tips for your business and home.

WATERING DAYS

OUTDOOR WATERING IS LIMITED TO NO MORE THAN 3 TIMES PER WEEK.

ODD ADDRESSES	EVEN ADDRESSES
Monday	Tuesday
Wednesday	Thursday
Friday	Sunday

No watering on Saturdays.

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Adjust your watering schedules today!

PARA VER EL BOLETÍN DE SEQUÍA EN ESPAÑOL, VISITE DROUGHTREADYSCV.COM O HAGA CLIC EN EL CÓDIGO QR.



HOW TO PROTECT YOUR LANDSCAPE INVESTMENTS IN A DROUGHT

Top tips to care for trees

THE BEST WAYS TO SAVE WATER IN A DROUGHT

Water-saving actions for residents, business and landscape customers

SECURING WATER SUPPLIES FOR OUR FUTURE

Reliability, resiliency and sustainability

SEE WATER WASTE, SAY SOMETHING

How to report water waste

ADOPTING AN SCV-FRIENDLY, WATER-EFFICIENT LIFESTYLE

With persistent drought conditions, we're asking our residents, business community, HOAs, schools, and visitors to please help conserve our water. This doesn't necessarily mean we should let our trees and beautiful gardens go dry. Instead, it means recognizing the benefits and value water provides to the Santa Clarita Valley and taking steps to reduce water inefficiency and waste. Being water conscious in and around our homes, businesses, schools and landscapes, must become a part of our daily lives, and not just a temporary mindset. Read on and learn more about SCV Water rebates, incentives, tips and tools to help our customers make the switch to an SCV-friendly, water-efficient lifestyle.



DROUGHT RESPONSE IN THE SCV

SCV Water has activated Stage 2 of its Water Shortage Contingency Plan in response to severe multi-year drought conditions locally and throughout the State. While this brings a heightened sense of urgency to drought response efforts, rest assured that the SCV Water team is monitoring our water supply to continue to provide reliable water service to the Santa Clarita Valley.

THANK YOU!

We know many of you are already water saving! Not every household may have another 20% to save. We just ask that you review the **10 THINGS**:

1. Check for leaks
2. Maximize water use with shorter showers and full laundry/dish loads
3. Upgrade to high efficiency appliances wherever possible

To keep in line with the requirements outlined in Stage 2 of our Plan, we're encouraging all customers to voluntarily reduce their water use by up to 20% by following these measures now in effect:

WATERING REQUIREMENTS	PROHIBITED WATER WASTE MEASURES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water no more than three days per week • Watering only between midnight to 9 a.m. and/or 8 p.m. to midnight (May through October) for no more than 5 minutes per irrigation zone and/or no more than 10 minutes total on designated watering days • No watering on Saturdays. • SCV Water's conservation goals focus on education and engagement. We encourage customers to take immediate action to eliminate water waste and to reduce irrigation use to avoid penalties. Violations of any of the prohibited actions could constitute a fine of up to a maximum of \$500 per day, per violation. The first violation is a warning. Future violations may initiate additional notices and fines. • YOUR GO TO RESOURCE FOR ALL THINGS DROUGHT Visit DroughtReadySCV.com to find water saving-resources, rebates and tips for your business and home. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allowing runoff on to non-irrigated areas when irrigating with potable (drinking) water • Using hoses without shutoff nozzles when washing cars • Using potable water to wash sidewalks, driveways, and hardscapes • Irrigating outdoors during and within 48 hours following precipitation of a quarter inch or more • Using potable water to irrigate ornamental turf on public and residential

VISIT DROUGHTREADYSCV.COM TO LEARN MORE. LET'S ALL DO OUR PART AND SAVE WATER TOGETHER, SCV.

Special Edition Water Currents (Oct)

SCV DROUGHT NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2022




THERE'S NOT A DROP TO WASTE! DROUGHT IS HERE.

Thank you, SCV Water customers, for stepping up your water savings and reducing water waste!

On behalf of the SCV Water team and Board of Directors, we want to thank you, our customers, for your diligence in making permanent changes in water use habits. We are seeing real change in our monthly water use as we work towards a 20% voluntary reduction over 2020. Thank you for your partnership as stewards of this most precious resource.

2022 WATER USE

SCV WATER COMPARED TO CALIFORNIA

Month	SCV	CA
JUNE	-7.9%	-7.4%
JULY	-8.7%	-10.4%
AUG	-10.1%	NO DATA
SEPT	-18.5%	NO DATA

(AS OF 9/25/2022)

Signal SCV: Pride (June)

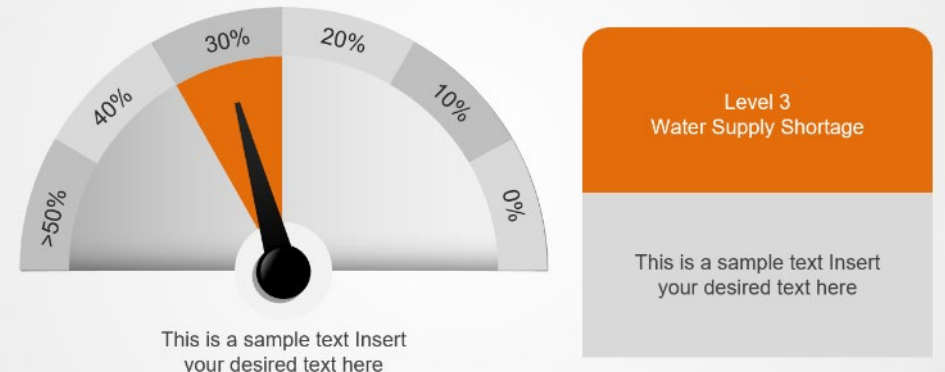
DROUGHT OUTREACH - THE NEXT 60 DAYS

Seasonal Messaging

- Myth Busting: Rain and snow does not mean the drought is over
- Reminders: Landscaping, irrigation and water use tips and requirements
- Sustainable landscapes – LRP and NFT
- Resources and rebates

Case Studies: City of Santa Clarita water savings (parks & LMDs)

Develop Drought Dashboard for Website



Sample display format for drought dashboard

KHTS HOME & GARDEN SHOW

April 30/May 1 at Central Park

- Major presence at event in place of agency Open House
- Presence by Customer Care, Conservation, Water Quality, Education and Outreach
- Sponsored Butterfly Encounter
- 3000+ guests through booth



School Education Programs

Returned to in-person in August 2022

OUTREACH

- Email to SCV elementary school teachers
- Delivered goodie bags to elementary schools with promo items and program brochure



- Teacher response was overwhelmingly positive.
- Virtually all slots for the 2022/23 school year have been booked



Attendance

Elementary (Grades K-6)

	2021/22 School Year		2022/23 School Year
	Aug-Dec 21	Jan-June 22	Aug-Dec 22
Students	2,324	3,270	2,286*
Teachers	87	124	196*

* December 2022 info pending

	Total Attendees 2022 Calendar Year
Students	5,594*
Teachers	320*

* December 2022 info pending

High School (Grades 9-12)

- Environmental Science Workshop
 - 2-hour, in-person
- 8 participating high schools
- Workshop dates: July - August
- 182 students



LANDSCAPE & GARDENING WORKSHOPS

Outreach Tools

- Email approx. 20,000 contacts monthly
- Monthly press release
- Social media posts
 - Paid Signal and KHTS partnership post
- Share schedule with community organizations
- January bill stuffer

Virtual Gardening Classes

YEAR	ATTENDEES	# OF CLASSES
2020	226	5
2021	443	12
2022	513	12



2023 Program Updates

- Rebranding: Landscape & Gardening Workshops
- Jan. 7 - First in-person class in 3 years (35 attendees)
- Hybrid: 8 virtual and 4 in-person classes



PLANNING EFFORTS and CAMPAIGNS

- **Engagement Gap Analysis**
 - August - Board Resolution; Development of Initial Implementation Actions)
 - Next steps: Engagement Guidebook and Training for staff - January 2023
- **AMI (Advanced Metering Infrastructure)**
 - Assisted with bill messages, door hangers, press releases, social media, informational video, etc.
- **Sustainability Plan**
 - Two meetings: Special Board Meeting (May) and Public Workshop (July)
 - Next steps: Board adoption of Plan (early 2023)
- **Local Hazard Mitigation Plan**
 - Draft Plan - April; Public Comment through May 30
 - Next steps: Plan is with FEMA for review and adoption of Plan, then will come to Board
- **Bridgeport Pocket Park**
 - Assisting Conservation with neighborhood/school communication



PFAS

- Outreach to Bridgeport Community on S Wells Project
- Valley Center Well Ribbon Cutting
- Featured in article in Bloomberg Law: Drought Exposes ‘Canary in This Coal Mine’ of PFAS in Well Water



CUSTOMER CARE CAMPAIGN

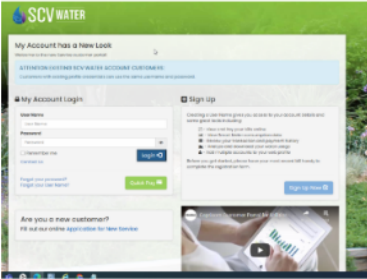
UNIFIED CUSTOMER BILLING SYSTEM AND ONLINE PORTAL (completed May 31, 2022)

- Bill inserts
- Dedicated webpage
- On-hold messaging
- *Water Currents* eNewsletter content (Feb, April, May)

Customer Care Improvements Coming May 31
A new look and feel to your online customer portal

In the new portal, you can:

- Manage your account 24/7
- Monitor your usage
- Receive and pay bills
- Sign up for bill notifications
- Sign up for autopay and recurring payments
- Give guest access



THE PORTAL IS YOUR GO-TO HUB FOR ACCOUNT INFORMATION, SO YOU CAN MAKE BETTER CHOICES FOR YOUR USAGE AND YOUR BILL.

From your desktop, tablet or mobile device, in the portal you'll find:

- **Billing.** Review your current bill, balances and recent transactions.
- **Meter activity.** Assess your monthly meter readings.
- **Usage.** Compare and learn about changes in your usage, so you can make better choices.
- **Notifications.** Get alerts when a new bill is ready.
- **Guest access.** Now you can give guests access and set access levels for your account, so you don't miss a thing!

Requests for new (or transferring) service. Need a new water service? Or moving across town? Easily complete an online service application, available 24/7.

For more information, visit: yourSCVwater.com/ccareimprovements

Haga clic aquí para leer en español

AS OF TUESDAY, MAY 31, OUR NEW ONLINE CUSTOMER PORTAL IS HERE!

WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU:

- Customers with an **EXISTING** online account (Newhall and Valencia legacy), your online account information has been moved over to the new portal. Now is the time to review your account and make sure we have your current phone number and email.
- Customers who want to create a **NEW** online account, go to bit.ly/mySCVwater to get started.

For assistance, please call Customer Care at (661) 294-0828.

IN THE NEW PORTAL, YOU CAN MANAGE YOUR ACCOUNT 24/7*

*With 24/7 access, you can easily view your account from your desktop, tablet or mobile device.

BILLING

- Go paperless! Save a stamp and the environment. Sign up to receive your bill online.

MORE WAYS TO PAY!

- Online at yourSCVwater.com/customer-care
- Sign up for autopay.
- Make a one-time payment.
- Schedule a payment or recurring payments.

- By Phone.
- **Call (844) 350-4354.** Use your credit card and electronic check with no transaction fees. Available in English and Spanish.
- **By Text.** Pay your bill by replying to the bill notification text message using your default payment method. Enroll when making an online payment or by selecting the Pay By Text option.

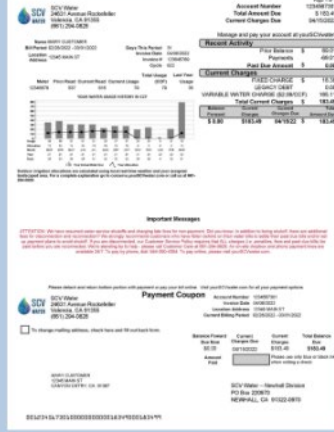
We're committed to providing you with excellent customer care.

For more information about these changes, visit: yourSCVwater.com/ccareimprovements

SCV WATER

NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW
Coming June 1 ... a new look and feel to your bill

We've updated your bill to a new format that is simple to read and easy to understand! Easily review current charges, review your total allocation* and water usage, compare usage to prior months, and more.



Important Messages

Payment Coupon

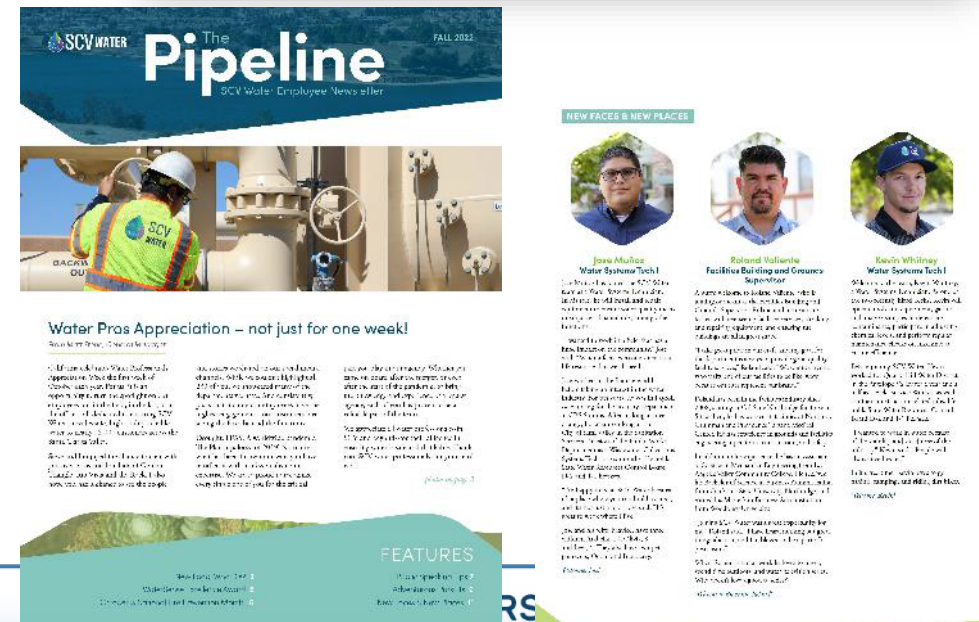
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INTERNAL ENGAGEMENT

- Development of the Emp-Act Committee (Employee Activities Committee)
- Return to in-person all-staff meetings
- Pipeline employee newsletter featured refreshed content and more focus on staff
- COVID-related communications continued
- Multiple surveys on various topics

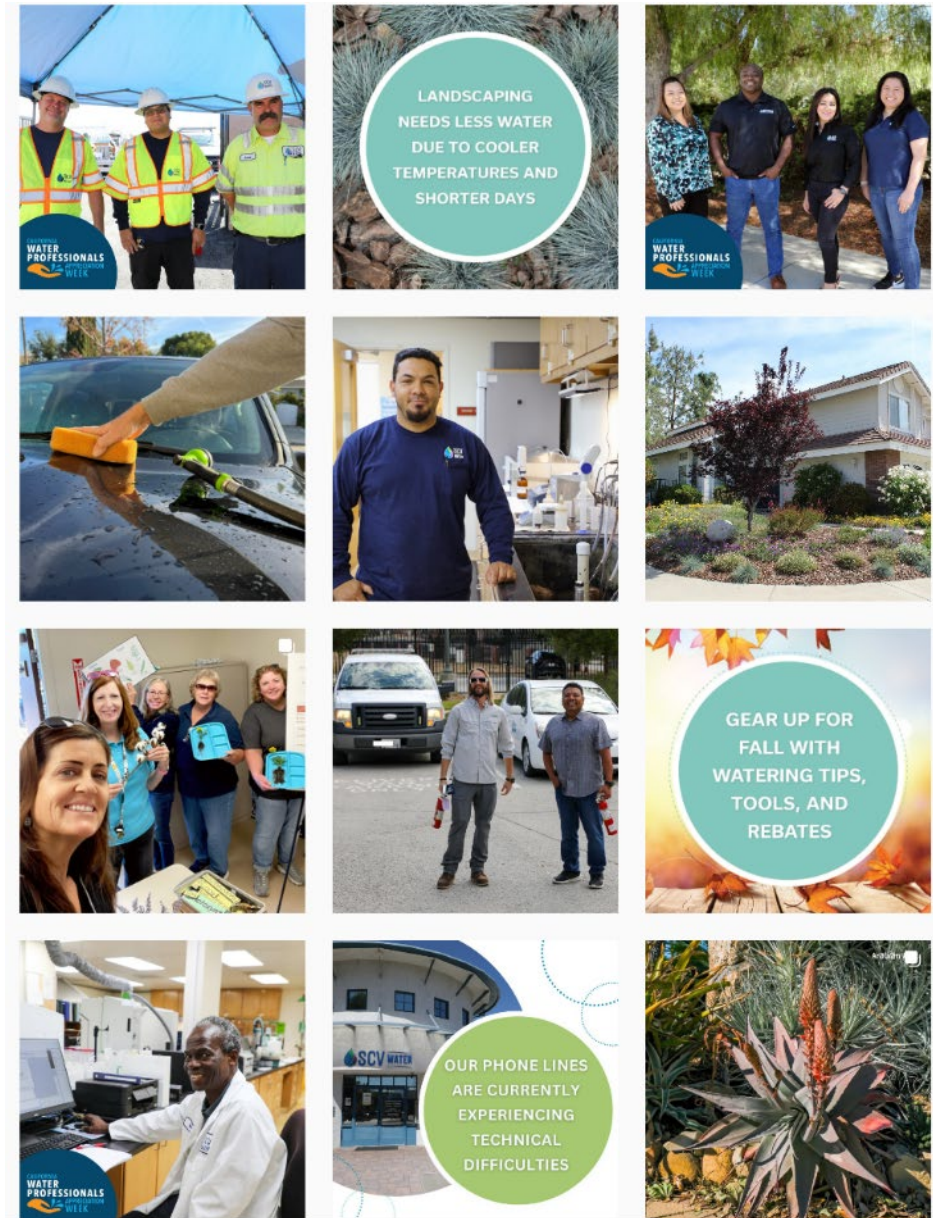


SOCIAL MEDIA

- Audience **grew by 22%** (2021→2022)

PLATFORM	2021	2022
Instagram	1,369	1,592
Twitter	1,088	1,245
Facebook	851	1,100
LinkedIn	368	540

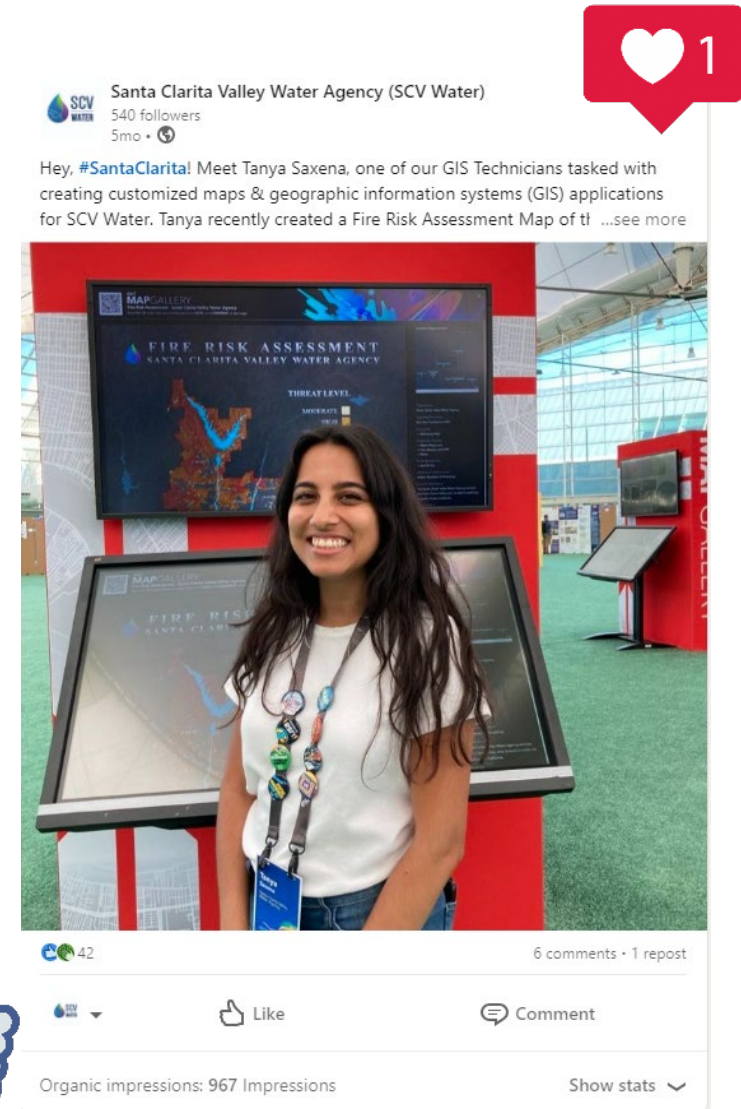
- Engagement **+ 156.5%** across all platforms
 - Created High-quality content and videos
 - Featured staff and the work they do
 - Humanized the agency
- Created consistent brand across all platforms



SOCIAL MEDIA

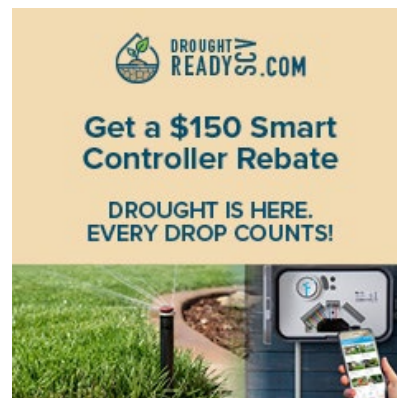
2023 Goals

- **Continue to Increase engagement**
 - High-quality content and videos
 - Feature staff and the work they do
 - Project updates
 - Focus on agency and industry infrastructure
- **Use LinkedIn More**
 - Provides opportunity to connect with customers, staff and industry in a personalized way.
 - Showcase agency for recruitment and as industry leader



DIGITAL ADS

OUTLETS	AD DESCRIPTION	AUDIENCE
Signal	Web ads	15,000,000 impressions / 4,000 clicks
	Daily email blast	23,000 daily recipients
	Facebook paid partnership (4 posts/mo)	(engagement data pending)
KHTS	Web and daily email blast	38,000+ daily recipients
Spectrum	Display Campaign	3,809,011 impressions / 52,620 engagements
	Search Campaign	97,128 impressions / 32,822 clicks / CTR 33.79%



WEBSITE

GOAL: Launch February 1, 2023

- Soft launch in mid-December
- Finalizing format and functionality for Board and Committee meeting agendas






COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 11, 2023

TO: Public Outreach and Legislation Committee

FROM: Kathie Martin
Communications Manager 

SUBJECT: Communications Manager's Report

SUMMARY

The Communications Manager will provide brief updates on current projects and efforts, which could include legislation tracking, sponsorship and events, social media reporting and others.

STRATEGIC PLAN NEXUS

The work of the Outreach Department supports the overall Strategic Plan through education, public engagement, marketing and other internal and external methods of communication.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

None

RECOMMENDATION

For information only. No action to be taken.

Attachments:

Grant/Funding Efforts Summary
Legislative Tracking Summary
Sponsorship Tracking Summary

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**SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY
GRANT / FUNDING EFFORTS SUMMARY**

Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Water Project Name	SCVWA PROJECTS ONLY					Cost of Application
					Total Project Cost	Grant Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State/Federal Share	% Grant Share Billed on Funder Approved Invoices**	
DWR Prop 84 Round 1 Implementation <i>*Fundable portion of grant complete; grant completion and retention release est. Jan2023</i>	4/10/2012	3/31/2022*	4	1. Grant Administration 2. SCV Water Use Efficiency Plan 3. Santa Clara River Sewer Truck Line Relocation 4. Recycle Water Project Phases 2B & 2D	\$ 14,057,107	\$ 6,264,551	\$ 4,110,280	\$ 7,792,556	92%	\$37,700
DWR Prop 1 Sustainable Groundwater Planning (includes Prop 1 SGWP & Prop 68 SGP grants)	12/5/2018	8/31/2022	3	a. Grant Administration b. Planning Activities c. Monitoring	\$ 2,047,434	\$ 1,307,265	\$ 740,169	\$ -	83%	Prop 1 - \$24,778 Prop 68 - \$29,822
DWR Prop 1 Round 1 IRWM Implementation	9/24/2020	3/21/2026	2	1. Grant Administration 2. Recycle Water Phase 2C 3. Santa Clara Honby PFAS Remediation	\$ 20,674,288	\$ 6,216,800	\$ 10,751,205	\$ 3,706,283	29%	\$99,192 Cost share between project proponents
CA State Water Resources Control Board	4/8/2021	3/31/2024	1	LARC Ranch Water Pipeline Project	\$ 4,811,991	\$ 3,931,991	\$ 880,000	\$ -	0%	\$0 State Assigned Grant Consultant / DAC Proj
BOR WaterSmart Drought Resiliency Projects	7/1/2022	6/30/2025	1	Rosedale Phase 2 Wells Project* <i>*Total project cost does not include cost to purchase well sites or easements.</i>	\$ 2,921,191	\$ 1,458,987	\$ 1,458,987	\$ -	0%	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
BOR WaterSmart Water and Energy Efficiency Grant	7/1/2022	6/30/2025	1	Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project (SCV Water Phase 1)	\$ 8,428,289	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ -	0%	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
FY 2023 WaterSmart BOR Drought Response Program <i>Application Submitted: June 14, 2022 Awarded: 12/22/22 Grant Agreement in negotiation</i>	est 3/31/2023	est 3/31/2026	1	S-Wells PFAS Treatment and Disinfection Facilities (Phase 1)	\$ 16,817,004	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 6,817,004	0%	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)

**Based on Funder approved invoices for ALL PROJECTS within the grant. Receipt of payment may be delayed in Funder's normal course of business.

SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS UNDER CONSIDERATION - PENDING										
Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Project Name	Total Project Cost	Requested Grant Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State/Federal Share (Funding Match)	Cost of Application	
CalOES-FEMA Public Assistance Program FEMA-4482-DR-CA (Project 2)	N/A	N/A	1	COVID-19 Assistance (Sanitation of Agency Facilities)		\$ 40,900	\$ -		\$0 Staff submitted	
WaterSmart BOR Water Energy Efficiency Grant FY2023** <i>Application Submitted: July 28, 2022 Est. Award Date: May 2023</i>	TBD	TBD	1	Water Efficiency Program	\$ 7,242,900	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 3,242,900	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2023 \$45K)	
DWR 2022 Urban Community Drought Relief Grant <i>Est Submittal Date: 12/9/2022</i>	TBD	12/31/2026	2	1. Saugus 3 & 4 Well Equippping Project 2. S Wells PFAS Treatment/Disinfection	\$ 26,720,434	\$ 5,982,109	\$ 1,495,527	TBD	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement	
DWR Prop 1 Sustainable Groundwater Mgmt Implementation Grant_Round 2 <i>Submitted: 12/15/2022</i>	TBD	6/30/2025	4 components	Expanded Monitoring in the USCR Basin	\$ 5,304,640	\$ 5,304,640	\$ -	\$ -	NTE \$16,790	

**Cumulative funding limit across all BOR FY2023
WaterSmart Grant Programs is \$5M

APPLICATIONS IN PROCESS - TO BE SUBMITTED									
Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Project Name	SCVWA PROJECTS ONLY				Cost of Application
					Total Project Cost	Requested Grant/Loan Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State / Federal Share (Funding Match)	
CA State Water Resources Control Board Grant Incentive Grant Funding re LARC Ranch DAC Project Est. Application Submittal: Spring 2023	TBD	TBD	1+	PFAS Remediateion Projects T & U Wells, S Wells	TBD	\$ 1,100,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$0 State Assigned Grant Consultant due to LARC Ranch DAC Proj
CA State Water Resources Control Board Grant Bipartisan Infrastructure Law - Emerging Contaminants Funding SCV Water's PFAS Projects are listed in SWRCB FY2022-23 Fundable List; may reduce/offset DWSRF Loan amount Est. App. Submittal: Spring 2023	TBD	TBD	1+	PFAS Remediation Projects	TBD	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000		
CA Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan Includes \$10M 0% Interest Incentive Loan re LARC Ranch DAC Project, with balance at standard SRF Rates; Est. App. Submittal: Spring 2023	TBD	TBD	1+	PFAS Remediateion Projects T & U Wells, S Wells	TBD	\$ 24,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	
DWR Prop 1 Round 2 IRWM Grant Total Funding - \$9.575M, App Due 2/1/23 (IRWM App contains 5 projects total, incl City and County projects)	TBD	12/31/2027	3	1. Grant Administration 2. Sand Canyon Sewer Line Relocation 3. T&U Wells PFAS Treatment	\$ 17,030,000	\$ 3,611,667	\$ 13,068,333	\$ 350,000	\$94,581 SCVWA Cost Share Est \$40K

CLOSED / COMPLETED GRANTS										
Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Water Project Name	SCVWA PROJECTS ONLY				% Grant Share Billed on Funder Approved Invoices*	Cost of Application
					Total Project Cost	Grant Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State/Federal Share		
DWR Prop 84 Round 2 Implementation <i>(Complete - DWR official notification of closed grant received on 5/11/2021)</i>	6/17/2014	12/31/2020	4	1. Grant Administration 2. CLWA SCV WUE Program 3. SCWD WUE Programs 4. Foothill Feeder Connection	\$ 7,804,002	\$ 4,003,399	\$ 3,800,603		99.79% FINAL	\$84,175
DWR Prop 84 2014 Drought Grant <i>(Complete - DWR official notification of closed grant received on 5/11/2021)</i>	7/20/2015	12/31/2020	3	1. Grant Administration 2. RRB/CLWA Banking Program 3. CLWA/SWSD Extraction & Conveyance	\$ 15,616,780	\$ 11,535,067	\$ 4,081,713		99.68% FINAL	\$80,000
American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 through CA DDW - CA Water and Wastewater Arrearage Payment Program	Immediate	1/31/2022	1	Arrearage Payment Program (customer bills arrearage payment forgiveness)	\$ 671,520	\$ 671,520	\$ -	\$ -	100%	\$0 Staff Submitted
ACWA-JPIA	3/1/2022	6/30/2022	1	Emergency Preparedness (Communications Equipment)		\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$0 Staff Submitted
CalOES-FEMA Public Assistance Program FEMA-4482-DR-CA (Project 1)	7/30/2020		1	COVID-19 Assistance (PPE & Sanitation Supplies)		\$ 34,380	\$ -	\$ -	100%	\$0 Staff submitted
Community Power Resiliency Allocation - Special Districts Program - CalOES subaward	3/12/2021	3/31/2022	1	Generator Replacement at Earl Schmidt Filtration Plant	\$ 249,854	\$ 249,854	\$ -	\$ -	100% allocated funds received	\$0 - No charge from Consultant

UNSUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS									
Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Project Name	Total Project Cost	Grant Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-State/Federal Share)	Other Non-State/ Federal Share (Funding Match)	Cost of Application
DWR Prop 84 IRWM Round 3 Grant	N/A	N/A	2	1. Grant Administrator 2. CLWA Res & Comm Turf Removal 3. Santa Clara River Trunk Sewer Line Project Phase II (NCWD?) 4. Valencia WRP Advanced Water Treatment Facilities	\$ 40,565,007	\$ 16,229,000	\$ 24,427,007		\$110,000 Cost Share between Project Proponents on a pro-rata basis
WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grants BOR-DO-21-F001	N/A	N/A	1	Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project (SCV Water Phase 1)	\$ 3,475,860	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 2,475,860	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
WaterSMART Drought Response Program BOR-DO-20-F002	N/A	N/A	1	Saugus Wells 3 & 4 Equipment and Site Improvement Project	\$ 3,744,829	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 744,829	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
CA DWR Urban and Multibenefit Drought Relief Grant Program	N/A	N/A	1	Saugus Wells 3 & 4 (Replacement Wells) Well Equipment and Site Improvement Project	\$ 8,300,000	\$ 2,500,000	\$ -		Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)
CA DWR 2021 Urban and Multibenefit Drought Grant <i>to be reconsidered under Round 3</i>	N/A	N/A	1	Santa Clara/Honby PFAS Groundwater Treatment Improvement Project <i>INCLUDED AS SUBSTITUTE PROJECT IN PROP 1 ROUND 1 IRWM GRANT ABOVE</i>	\$ 11,750,000	\$ 4,000,000	\$ -		\$5,736
BOR WaterSmart - Title XVI WIIN Water Reclamation and Reuse Program FY2022	N/A	N/A	1	Phase 2C Recycled Water Project	\$ 24,010,000	\$ 6,002,500	\$ 15,007,500	\$ 3,000,000	Included in annual On-Call Grant Consulting Agreement (FY2022 \$69,725 Final)

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION / FUNDING APPLICATION PREPARATION			
Document / Program	Explanation	Start Date	Est. Completion
Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP)	An approved LHMP is an eligibility requirement for funding under FEMA and/or other federal grants opportunities.	FEB 2021	NOV 2022 <i>Approved by FEMA upon SCVWA Resolution (submitted 12/23/2022)</i>
Bureau of Reclamation - Title XVI Feasibility Study	Feasibility Study required to qualify for federal WIIN Act funding for Phases 2A and 2C Recycled Water Projects was approved by BOR on 4/28/2022.	JAN 2021	Completed Accpeted by BOR

Last Update: 1/3/2022



LEGISLATION TRACKING

Letters of Support/Opposition

Date	Bill/Initiative	Title	Stand	Notes	Leg. Policy*	Status
2/10/2022	Assembly Member Suzette Martinez Valladares	Support letter for SCV Water DWR Grant Applications	Support	Letter submitted to DWR supporting SCV Water's "2021 Urban and Multibenefit Drought Relief Funding" grant applications	4.0	Letter sent 2/10/22
2/11/2022	Senator Scott Wilk	Support letter for SCV Water DWR Grant Applications	Support	Letter submitted to DWR supporting SCV Water's "2021 Urban and Multibenefit Drought Relief Funding" grant applications	4.0	Letter sent 2/11/22
2/28/2022	Drought Relief and Water Infrastructure Investments for Inclusion in State Budget 2022-2023	Support for critical funding for drought relief and water infrastructure projects	Support	Signed on to coalition letter from The State Water Contractors (SWC)	9.0	Letter sent 2/28/22
3/3/2022	SB 520 (Wilk)	Support relating to permitting process of the State Water Resources Control Board	Support	Sent our own letter to Assembly Water Parks and Wildlife Committee	12.0	Letter sent 3/3/22
3/14/2022	AB 2142 (Gabriel)	Support income taxes: exclusion: turf replacement water conservation program	Support	Signed on to coalition letter from ACWA	9.0	Letter sent 3/14/22 Letter sent 5/6/22
3/15/2022	STREAM Act (Feinstein)	Support to Rehydrate the Environment, Agriculture & Municipalities	Support	Sent our own letter to Senator Feinstein Signed on to coalition letter from The State Water Contractors (SWC)	9.0	Letter sent 3/15/22 Coalition Letter sent 3/18/22
3/21/2022		Judicial Council to establish a program that provides training and education to judges in specified actions relating to water, as defined	Support	Signed on to coalition letter from The State Water Contractors (SWC)	9.0	Letter sent 3/15/22
3/21/2022	AB 2362 (Mullin)	Ecosystem restoration and climate adaptation projects: permitting	Support If Amended	Signed on to coalition letter from The State Water Contractors (SWC)	12.0	Letter sent 3/15/22 Coalition Letter sent 3/18/22
3/21/2022	SB 832 (Dodd)	State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to modify water diversion measurement requirements	Support If Amended	Signed on to coalition letter from The State Water Contractors (SWC)	12.0	Letter sent 3/15/22
3/29/2022	SB 1205 (Allen)	Require SWRCB to develop & adopt regulations for determining water availability in issuance & administration of water right permits & licenses	Support If Amended	Signed on to coalition letter from The State Water Contractors (SWC)	9.0	Awaiting final letter from SWC
3/29/2022	S2S Sub-Seasonal to Seasonal	Request for \$15 million appropriation through the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration for the Western pilot project for winter S2S precipitation forecasts for water management in the western U.S.	Support	Signed on to coalition letter from The State Water Contractors (SWC)	9.0	Awaiting final letter from SWC

Date	Bill/Initiative	Title	Stand	Notes	Leg. Policy*	Status
4/4/2022	SB 832 (Dodd)	State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to modify water diversion measurement requirements	Support If Amended	Sent our own letter to Senator Henry Stern to Support if Amended	12.0	Letter sent 4/4/22
5/10/2022	SB 1065 (Eggman)	Establish Ca. Abandoned & Derelict Commercial Vessel Program within the Natural Resources Agency	Support (As amended April 28)	Signed on to coalition letter from The State Water Contractors (SWC)	10.0	Letter sent 5/10/22
6/9/2022	State Budget Allocation	\$106 million budget allocation of South Delta Channel Depth Restoration Program	Support	Signed on to coalition letter from The State Water Contractors (SWC)	9.0	Letter sent 6/9/22
7/8/2022	FY 2023 Funding for Alternate Water Source Grants	Funding for the US EPA Alternative Water Source Grants FY2023 Senate Interior, Environment and Related Agencies appropriations bill	Support	Sent our own letter to Senator Feinstein and Senator Padilla	9.0	Letter sent 7/8/22

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Represents changes since last distribution.

DEFINITIONS:

When a bill passes both houses of the Legislature, it is ordered enrolled. In enrollment, the bill is again proofread for accuracy and then delivered to the **enrolled:** Governor.

The portion of the Daily File containing legislation that is ready for floor consideration, but, for a variety of reasons, is dead or dormant. An author may **inactive file:** move a bill to the inactive file and subsequently move it off the inactive file at a later date.

Presentation of a bill before the House by reading its title. The Constitution requires a bill's title to be read three times in each House prior to its passage. A **reading:** bill is either on First, Second, or Third Reading until it is passed by both Houses.

A bill is "chaptered" by the Secretary of State once it passes both houses and has been signed by the Governor or becomes law without the Governor's signature **chaptered:**



SPONSORSHIP TRACKING FY JULY 2022 - JUNE 2023

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Agency Name	Event	Date	Location	Reg. Fee	Committed	Paid	Sponsorship	Previous Amount
ACWA	Region 8	August 12, 2022 Rescheduled to Sept 19, 2022	Burbank Water and Power	\$50		\$500	Organization's logo on agenda/materials included in attendee packet, verbal recognition from ACWA Region Chair, 1 complimentary ticket	
Urban Water Institute (UWI)	2022 Fall Conference	Aug 24 - 26, 2022	San Diego Hilton Resort	\$575		\$0	Sponsorship August 25 Breakfast: Company logo included in conference program agenda, projected on UWI presentation screens, displayed in the registration area and on the UWI website. And customized company poster will be displayed during the sponsored event (\$2,000 outstanding bal from Feb Spring Conference due to COVID surge converted to virtual)	
Santa Clarita Valley Economic Development Corporation (SCVEDC)	2022 Economic Outlook	Sept 9, 2022	College of the Canyons	\$125		\$1,100	Bronze Sponsor: 2 tickets to the event, business card size color ad in Economic Outlook Book, Company promotion through electronic & social media event marketing, Company name in event presentation	1100
Junior Chamber International (JCI) Santa Clarita jcisantaclarita.com	Get Real Adulting 101 A Teen Financial Workshop www.getrealscv.com	Sept 10, 2022 - 10:00 A.M.	Santa Clarita Sports Complex			\$200	Providing info booth w/customer care staff to help students understand costs and process for establishing water service.	
AWA	Annual Member & Policymakers' Reception	Sept 15, 2022	Ronald Reagan Presidential Library - Simi Valley	Free to members		\$500	Representative Sponsor: Acknowledgement on invitation & program, Agency name on signage	500
City of Santa Clarita	River Rally	Sept 17, 2022 11 A.M.	Wiley Canyon Road, east of Orchard Village Road off Via Princessa Bridge	N/A			Info booth focused on drought. Providing some bottled water to event. Location does not provide potable water access to use our refill station.	
DWR	C.A.S.T. for Kids Foundation castforkids.org	Oct 1, 2022 - 9:00 A.M.	Castaic Lake	N/A		\$1,500	About 15 of SCV Water staff volunteer for the event; pay for kids fishing accessories, shirts, provide water, etc.	
Ca Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions (CALAFCO)	Annual Conference	Oct 19-21, 2022	Hyatt Regency Newport Beach, CA	N/A		\$950	Full page ad in memory of Vice President Jerry Gladbach	
SCV Chambers	Salute to Patriots	Nov 4, 2022 - 4 P.M.	SCV Senior Center at Bella Vista	\$60		\$500	2 VIP seating, logo on all electronic materials, emails and social media, recognition in media and press	
SCV Education Foundation	Touch a Truck scveducationfoundation.org	Nov 5, 2022 9 A.M - 2 P.M.	Central Park	N/A		\$500	Water Bottle Fill Station plus info booth water/conservation info and activity	
SCV Public Library	Annual Family Literacy Festival	Dec 3, 2022 10 A.M. - 2 P.M.	Old Town Newhall Library	N/A			Info booth plus water bottle refill station (Link leads to 2021 info. New event listing has not been posted yet)	
Urban Water Institute (UWI)	2023 Spring Conference	Feb 22-24, 2023	Palm Springs Hilton	\$575		\$2,000	Sponsorship Feb 23 Breakfast: Company logo included in conference program agenda, projected on UWI presentation screens, displayed in the registration area and on the UWI website. And customized company poster will be displayed during the sponsored event	



**PUBLIC OUTREACH AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
AGENDA PLANNING CALENDAR FY 2022-2023**

**ITEM NO.
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July 5, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

1. Approve Legislative Advocacy Contract Renewal
2. Presentation: Drought Messaging Action Plan

July 21, 2022 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion of Draft Board Resolution and Initial Implementation Action from the Engagement Gap Analysis
3. Presentation: Overview of School Education Program
4. Communications Manager Activities:
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2022/23
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2022/23

August 2, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

1. Approve a Resolution Adopting the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency In Support of Inclusive Communications & Engagement

August 18, 2022 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Communications Manager Activities:
 - Social Media Quarterly Report
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2022/23
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2022/23

September 15, 2022 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Communications Manager Activities:
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2022/23
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2022/23

October 20, 2022 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion of Jerry Gladbach Scholarship and/or Internship
3. Discussion of Water Academy Pilot Session
4. Agency's New Website Status Report
5. Communications Manager Activities:
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2022/23
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2022/23

November 17, 2022 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion of Jerry Gladbach Scholarship

3. Communications Manager Activities:
 - Social Media Quarterly Report
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2022/23
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2022/23

December 6, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

1. Discussion of Jerry Gladbach Scholarship

December 15, 2022 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion of the 2023 Legislative Platform and Advocacy Process
3. Communications Manager Activities:
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2022/23
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2022/23

January 3, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

1. Adoption of the 2023 Legislative Platform

January 19, 2023 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Outreach 2022 Year in Review
3. Communications Manager's Report

February 16, 2023 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Discussion of Crisis Communication Plan
3. Water Bottle Refill Station Program Update
4. Communications Manager's Report

March 16, 2023 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Review and Discussion of FY 2023/24 and FY 2024/25 Public Outreach Operating Budget
3. Communications Manager's Report

April 20, 2023 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Communications Manager's Report

May 18, 2023 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Communications Manager's Report

June 22, 2023 Committee Meeting

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Communications Manager's Report