




BOARD MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 12, 2021
TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Steve Cole 
Assistant General Manager
SUBJECT: November 10, 2021 Water Resources and Watershed Committee Meeting Report

The Water Resources and Watershed Committee met at 5:30 PM on Wednesday, November 10, 2021 via teleconference. In attendance were Committee Chair Jeff Ford, Directors B. J. Atkins, Ed Colley, William Cooper, and Jerry Gladbach. Staff members present were Administrative Technician Terri Bell, Assistant General Manager Steve Cole, Sustainability Manager Matt Dickens, Water Resources Planner Sarah Fleury, Management Analyst II Cheryl Fowler, Board Secretary April Jacobs, Executive Assistant Eunie Kang, Director of Water Resources Dirk Marks, General Manager Matthew Stone, Water Resources Planner Rick Vasilopoulos, and Principal Water Resources Planner Rick Viergutz. General Counsel Joseph Byrne and members of the public were present. A copy of the Agenda is attached.

Item 1: Public Comment – There was no public comment.

Item 2: Sustainability Manager's Report

- 2.1 Update on Conservation Activities & Performance** – Staff gave a presentation on Conservation Activities and Performance and responded to the Committee's inquiries regarding the availability of devices which prevent water waste caused by broken sprinklers and the threshold at which high consumption notification letters are sent to customers.
- 2.2 Status of Drought Response and Performance** – Staff updated the Committee on the Status of Drought Response and Performance, noting that while conservation performance is trending in the right direction, continued engagement, programmatic support, and other efforts are critical to achieving a 15% reduction in consumption compared to 2020's use.

Item 3: CLOSED SESSION

- 3.1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (Section 54956.9)** – The Committee discussed this item in Closed Session.

Item 4: Closed Session Announcements – General Counsel Joseph Byrne announced that there were no actions taken in the Closed Session that were reportable under the Ralph M. Brown Act.

Item 5: Discuss and Consider Potential Amendment to the Deposit and Funding Agreement between Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency and DACA-Castaic, LLC for Tapia Ranch – Staff gave a presentation on the Potential Amendment to the Deposit and Funding Agreement between Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency and DACA-Castaic, LLC for Tapia Ranch and solicited the Committee’s recommendation for Board action. The Committee considered the alternatives identified in the staff report and developed a recommendation for consideration by the Board. That recommendation is the subject of a Board Memorandum to be considered at the December 7, 2021 regular Board meeting.

Item 6: Committee Planning Calendar – The Committee reviewed the Planning Calendar.


The meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM.

Attachment



Date: November 4, 2021

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

From: Steve Cole, Assistant General Manager 

The **Water Resources and Watershed Committee** is scheduled to meet via teleconference on **November 10, 2021 at 5:30 PM**, call-in information is listed below.

**TELECONFERENCE ONLY
NO PHYSICAL LOCATION FOR MEETING**

TELECONFERENCING NOTICE

Pursuant to the provisions of AB 361 and SCV Water Resolution SCV-235, the SCV Water Board will continue to hold remote Board and Committee meetings due to the continuing State of Emergency for COVID-19 and the ongoing imminent risks to the health or safety of the attendees from COVID-19. Any Director may call into an Agency Committee meeting using the

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The public may not attend the meeting in person. Any member of the public may listen to the meeting or make comments to the Committee using the call-in number or Zoom Webinar link above. Please see the notice below if you have a disability and require an accommodation in order to participate in the meeting.

If the State of Emergency for COVID-19 expires prior to this meeting and after the posting of this Agenda, this meeting will be held in person at the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350 in the Board and Training Rooms.

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, Management Analyst II, 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 start of the meeting. Anything received after 4:00 PM the day of the meeting will be made available at the meeting and will be posted on the SCV Water website the following day.

MEETING AGENDA

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1.	<u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u> – Members of the public may comment as to items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Agency that are not on the Agenda at this time. Members of the public wishing to comment on items covered in this Agenda may do so at the time each item is considered. (Comments may, at the discretion of the Committee Chair, be limited to three minutes for each speaker.) Members of the public wishing to comment on items covered in Closed Session before they are considered by the Committee must request to make comment at the commencement of the meeting at 5:30 PM.	
2.	Sustainability Manager’s Report	
	2.1 Update on Conservation Activities & Performance	
	2.2 Status of Drought Response and Performance	
3.	CLOSED SESSION – SEPARATE DIAL-IN PHONE NUMBER WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE COMMITTEE AND APPROPRIATE STAFF	
	3.1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 (One Case)	
	OPEN SESSION CONTINUES WITH THE LINK/PHONE NUMBER LISTED ON THE FIRST PAGE OF THE THIS AGENDA	
4.	Closed Session Announcements	
5. *	Discuss and Consider Potential Amendment to the Deposit and Funding Agreement between Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency and DACA-Castaic, LLC for Tapia Ranch	5
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7.	Adjournment	

* Indicates Attachment

◆ Indicates Handout

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Posted on November 4, 2021.

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