




## BOARD MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** January 11, 2024  
**TO:** Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Steve Cole   
Assistant General Manager  
**SUBJECT:** January 10, 2024 Water Resources and Watershed Committee Meeting Recap Report

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The Water Resources and Watershed Committee met at 5:30 PM on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at the Engineering Services Section (ESS) Boardroom located at 26521 Summit Circle, Santa Clarita, CA 91350. In attendance were Committee Chair Piotr Orzechowski, Directors William Cooper, Dirk Marks, and Gary Martin. Staff members present were Assistant General Manager Steve Cole, Senior Water Resources Planner Sarah Fleury, Principal Water Resources Planner Rick Viergutz, Executive Assistant Eunie Kang, and Information Technology Technician I Oliver Molina. Attending virtually was Water Resources Planner Ernesto Velazquez, and members of the public were present. A copy of the agenda is attached.

**Item 2: Public Comment** – There was public comment.

**Item 3: Recommend Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the General Manager to Execute an Administrative Services Agreement between SCV Water Agency and SCV-GSA to Provide Administrative, Management and Technical Services** – After review and discussion, the Committee recommended through consensus to move this item forward for consideration and approval by the Board of Directors and put it on the Consent Calendar. This item will be presented in a separate report going to the February 6, 2024 regular Board meeting.

**Item 4.1: Status of Upper Santa Clara River Salt and Nutrient Management Plan** – Ernesto Velazquez gave an overview on the ongoing efforts to update the Salt and Nutrient Management Plan. Last update was done back in April of 2022. We have a 10-year update coming up in 2026. To get prepared for that update, staff is developing a routine data management collection activity to ensure efficiency and better reflect the current basin conditions.

**Item 4.2: Status of Water Supplies** – Sarah Fleury provided a status report of the water supplies and resources. She reviewed the main achievements and challenges of 2023, as well as the strategies for managing water supply and demand in dry period scenarios. She also presented the latest data on the hydrological conditions and the state's water allocation projections. Lastly, she outlined the operational plan for 2024.

**Item 5.1: Conservation Program Performance Overview and Item 5.2: Sustainability and Conservation Staff Activities** – In the absence of Matt Dickens, Steve Cole covered some key points in conservation and sustainability. He provided a status update on request for proposal process for the water use efficiency strategic plan. He also discussed the challenges faced by the Recycled Water Conversion Program and the preparation for a Mandatory Recycled Water Use Ordinance.

**Item 6: Committee Planning Calendar** – Staff and the Committee reviewed the Planning Calendar.

**Item 7: Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned at 6:33 P.M.

The meeting recording is available on the SCV Water Agency website or by clicking the following link:  
[Water Resources and Watershed Committee Meeting Recording.](#)


Attachment

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**Date:** January 3, 2024

**To:** **Water Resources and Watershed Committee**  
Piotr Orzechowski, Chair  
William Cooper  
Dirk Marks  
Gary Martin

**From:** Steve Cole, Assistant General Manager 

The **Water Resources and Watershed Committee** meeting for **Wednesday, January 10, 2024 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.

### **IMPORTANT NOTICES**

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2. <b><u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u></b> – 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.) To participate in public comment from your computer, tablet, or smartphone, click the “raise hand” feature in Zoom. You will be notified when it is your turn to speak, please unmute when requested. To participate in public comment via phone, dial *9 to raise your hand. When it is your turn to speak, dial *6 to unmute.	
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Posted on January 3, 2024

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