



Date: October 8, 2020

To: **Public Outreach and Legislation Committee**
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From: Steve Cole, Assistant General Manager *SC*

The **Public Outreach and Legislation Committee** is scheduled to meet via teleconference on **Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 5:30 PM**, dial information is listed below.

**TELECONFERENCE ONLY
NO PHYSICAL LOCATION FOR MEETING**

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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.)	
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Posted on October 8, 2020



To: Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency; Public Outreach & Legislation Committee
From: Van Scoyoc Associates (VSA); Geoff Bowman & Pete Evich
Date: October 5, 2020
Subject: OCTOBER 2020 Report

Federal Government Shutdown Averted

Early on the morning of October 1, President Donald Trump signed a continuing resolution (CR) to fund the government through December 11. The Senate passed the measure by a vote of 84-10. The CR now gives congressional leaders more than two months to either negotiate a massive spending deal by mid-December or pass another CR to fund the government into next year. Both House and Senate leaders have said they want to pass a bipartisan appropriations package by the December 11 deadline, but securing an agreement on fiscal year 2021 spending bills after the November election could prove to be an ambitious goal, given the uncertainty around the lame duck session and the coronavirus stimulus negotiations.

COVID-19 Response Legislation Stalls

The last of the COVID-19 response package, the \$2.2 trillion CARES Act, was enacted in March. In May, the House passed a \$3.5 trillion COVID-19 response package, the HEROES Act. A day later, several House Members introduced a bill to make special districts eligible for CARES Act funding. The Senate, which has been unable to pass any COVID-19 response packages since the CARES Act, has taken no action on the HEROES Act. A group of bipartisan Senators introduced a special districts bill similar to the House special districts bill, which Senators Feinstein and Harris co-sponsored. The House bill has 38 cosponsors, but is not a bipartisan bill.

On Thursday, October 1, the House passed a smaller, revised COVID-19 response package (HEROES Act 2.0) by a tight vote of 214-207, but again the special districts language not included. VSA has held several discussions in support of the special districts legislation with California Senators Feinstein and Harris and will continue to keep SCV Water informed of any developments.

As all sides remain far apart on the big picture items, chances of Congress enacting a response package prior to the election are uncertain.

HEROES Act 2.0 Ratepayer Assistance

One area of common ground is the topic of ratepayer assistance. Approximately \$1.5 billion in funds for ratepayer assistance were included in the latest package identical to the ratepayer assistance program in the original HEROES Act.

The program would be administered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and funding allocations would be given to States and Tribes. Federal funding allotments to States/Tribes would be based on:

1. The percentage of households in a State/Tribe with income equal to or less than 150 percent of the federal poverty level (and including households with income equal to or less than 60 percent of State median income)
2. The percentage of such households in the State/Tribe that spend more than 30 percent of monthly income housing
3. The extent to which the State/Tribe has been affected by pandemic (rate of transmission of COVID, number of cases compared to the national average, and economic disruption (job loss) resulting from the pandemic)

States would enter into agreements with operators of waters systems to assist in identifying low-income households. Utilities would be responsible for conducting outreach activities to ensure households are aware of the program. Utilities would also be responsible for charging such households in the normal billing process not more than the difference between the actual cost of the service provided and the amount of payment made by the State/Tribe and notifying households in writing the amount of assistance received within 45 of days of the households receiving the assistance.

Water Resources Development Act of 2020

While the House of Representatives passed its version of the Water Resources Development Act of 2020 (WRDA) in July, the Senate has been unable to bring its version to the Floor.

While the Senate bill has stalled, House and Senate staff are holding discussions on how to quickly merge the two bills and send legislation to the President after the November 3 election. This is similar to the strategy deployed in 2018 where the House passed its version of a bill before the August 2018 recess, while the Senate was unable to pass its version. A compromise was reached by the House and Senate in August and September 2018, and the bill was signed into law in October 2018.

Of importance to SCV Water is a provision making new environmental infrastructure projects, commonly called "section 219" projects, eligible for authorization by Congress. Due to the strict limitations on earmarks in the House and Senate, previously authorized section 219 projects may be modified, but new section 219 projects are not eligible for authorization.

While the House and Senate have hundreds of provisions to negotiate, VSA will continue to monitor any developments on a Water Resources Development Act.

EPA Office of Water Restructuring

EPA plans to restructure its water office, one of several reorganizations announced by the agency in recent weeks. EPA Assistant Administrator for Water David Ross, in an email to staff announced a "limited reorganization to better align its institutional structure with the agency's water priorities."

The changes include elevating a loan program that President Trump has touted as a means for post-pandemic recovery and creating a "Water Reuse Team" and an "Economics Center."

"Under the limited reorganization, the office would combine similar and complementary work while increasing executive leadership in priority areas," Ross wrote. He also stated that "the organizational changes will improve the office's utilization of existing resources and operational efficiency to better protect public health and the environment."

EPA this month has launched several other reorganizations within the agency. The new Office of Mountains, Deserts and Plains will coordinate cleanup of mining sites west of the Mississippi River. There are also several internal changes for the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention expected to be implemented toward the end of this month. Lastly, the Office of Continuous Improvement, which handles the EPA Lean Management System, is being shifted from the administrator's office to the agency's financial arm.

EPA's reorganizations and the speed at which they are moving forward have attracted scrutiny on Capitol Hill. Democratic appropriators have said they haven't been given notice of the moves in advance. Further, Rep. Betty McCollum (D-MN), chairwoman of the House Appropriations subcommittee that oversees EPA, and Sen. Tom Udall (D-NM), ranking member on its Senate counterpart panel, have requested that EPA Administrator Andrew Wheeler suspend reorganization of the chemicals office pending review. An EPA spokeswoman said the agency plans to move forward with the restructuring.

Specifically, for the Office of Water, Ross is proposing to make the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) program branch a division within the office and to tap a member of the Senior Executive Service, the top career managers in government, as its director. Such a position can be filled by a political appointee.

Ross said such a move reflects how the WIFIA program has grown from five full-time employees and an appropriation of \$2.2 million to 31 full-time employees "with room for further growth" and an appropriation of \$65 million. He also asserted that the new division would remain in the office and play a key role in supporting EPA's goal of increasing water infrastructure investment while promoting economic growth.

Ross stated that he wants to consolidate the office's economic analysis capabilities into a so-called Economics Center. The new center would support Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking

Water Act programs while facilitating collaboration and consistency across the office's projects. He noted that "economic analysis is an essential activity across OW which supports our regulatory and nonregulatory activities."

Ross called for renaming the Water Policy Staff to the Office of Policy Management and Engagement (OPME) and adding new functions in this department. According to his email, positions currently in the Office of Water's immediate office tied to coordination with Congress, the Government Accountability Office, the Office of Inspector General and the Congressional Research Service would be added to the OPME.

"This reorganization will consolidate these functions in the OPME that currently houses other internal and external stakeholder functions such as international and tribal relationships, allowing for better coordination, more streamlined communications, and more meaningful engagement with these important stakeholders," Ross wrote.

Lastly, Ross is proposing to create a "Water Reuse Team." In the email, he noted that the Office of Water in February launched a National Water Reuse Action Plan to address the risks of security, sustainability and resilience of the nation's water resources through creation of alternate water supplies. The new group will include a team leader and a national water expert and be located in OPME, where it will "leverage the capabilities of the Office of Water and the National Water Program in its entirety."

Western Water Storage Infrastructure Act

On September 8, Rep. T.J. Cox (D-CA) of the Central Valley introduced, "The Western Water Storage Infrastructure Act" (H.R. 8166) which would reauthorize the 2016 WIIN Bureau of Reclamation water storage grant program (Sec. 4007) by providing \$800 million for surface and groundwater storage and conveyance projects through 2024. The bill is co-sponsored by Reps. Jim Costa (D-CA) and John Garamendi (D-CA). The measure would also extend the Delta operational flexibility provisions under the WIIN Act for 8 years. Extending the operation flexibility language of the 2016 WIIN Act, would provide some relief from Endangered Species Act requirements and is strongly opposed by the environmental community.

Supporters of H.R. 8166 include the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority, Friant Water Authority, Northern California Water Association, South Valley Water Association, Westlands Water District, the California Farm Bureau Federation, the Family Farm Alliance, and the San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority.

By advancing the more straightforward WIIN water storage grant program reauthorization approach as outlined in H.R. 8166, Representatives Cox, Costa, and Garamendi are at odds with the environmentally minded Chairman of the Water and Power subpanel of the House Natural Resources Committee, Representative Jared Huffman (D-CA). Chairman Huffman earlier this year drafted a restructuring of this program (*FUTURE Western Water Infrastructure and Drought Resiliency Act*). Moreover, Huffman is opposed to an extension of the Delta operational flexibility provisions. The Huffman water storage grant program language was

included as part of the “Moving Forward Act,” (H.R. 2) which passed out of the House in early July.

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-VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL-

October 2, 2020

MEMORANDUM

TO: Steve Cole, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency

FROM: Dennis K. Albiani, Anthony Molina, California Advocates, Inc.

SUBJECT: October Report

This year there was a total of 428 bills that reached Governor Newsom's desk for signature or veto (this includes budget trailer bills). Specifically, there were 137 Senate Bills (SB) and 291 Assembly Bills (AB). Of the total number of bills that reached the Governor's desk this year, 372 bills were signed by the Governor and 56 bills were vetoed. The veto rate for bills this year was 13%. In comparison to last year, Governor Newsom's first year in office, he signed 1,016 bills total and vetoed 201 bills. Last year's veto rate was 16.5%.

Additionally, to note, all legislators pared down their legislative packages this year significantly due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Many of those bills will be re-introduced at the start of the next legislative session, which begins with an organizational session on December 7th.

Public Safety Power Shutoffs

AB 2182 (Rubio) Emergency backup generators: water and wastewater facilities: exemption.

This bill would provide flexibility for all critical service providers to use and maintain emergency power generators for Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) events. This flexibility would be accomplished by: (1) confirming that backup power generation during PSPS events is considered emergency use of generators; (2) ensuring that generator use for PSPS events is not limited by any time constraints; and, (3) by providing testing and maintenance flexibility for these backup generators due to the strenuous nature of their use during PSPS events.

Status: This bill died.

Position: Support

SB 1099 (Dodd) Emergency backup generators: critical facilities: exemption.

This bill would require air districts to adopt a rule, or revise its existing rules, to allow critical facilities with a permitted emergency backup generator to use that emergency backup generator during a deenergization event or other loss of power, and to test and maintain that emergency backup generator, without having the usage, testing, or maintenance count toward that emergency backup generator's time limitation on actual usage and routine testing and maintenance. The bill would also prohibit air districts from imposing a fee on the issuance or renewal of a permit issued for those critical facility emergency backup generators.

Status: This bill died. However, negotiations continued with SCAQMD for regulatory relief for essential service providers including water quality.

Position: Support

Governance

AB 2560 (Quirk) Water quality: notification and response levels: procedures.

This bill would require the SWRCB to comply with public notice, comment, and peer review procedures, when establishing or revising notification or response levels.

Status: This Governor signed this bill.

Position: Support

AB 3030 (Kalra) Resource conservation: land and ocean conservation goals.

The bill would establish new state policy goals for the protection of at least 30 percent of California's land areas and waters and to advance the protection of 30 percent of the nation's oceans by 2030.

Status: This bill died.

Position: Oppose

SB 1386 (Moorlach) Local Government: Assessments, Fees, and Charges: Water.

This bill would protect fire hydrant system funding and ensure public water suppliers can operate water systems to supply their customers and to fight fires. Also, this bill is declaratory of existing law, which allows water suppliers to include the costs of operating and maintaining these systems, as well as the costs associated with a fire hydrant and the water served through them, in their property-related service charges.

Status: The Governor signed this bill.

Position: Support

PFAS Chemicals

SB 1044 (Allen) Firefighting equipment and foam: PFAS chemicals.

This bill prohibits the use of firefighting foam containing perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) chemicals, except where federally required, and requires notification of the presence of PFAS in the protective equipment of firefighters.

Status: This Governor signed this bill.

Position: Support

Energy

AB 1720 (Carrillo) Energy: long-duration energy storage: procurement.

This bill requires the procurement of long-duration energy storage, to meet a more aggressive greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reduction target. This bill requires the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to direct the above procurement by load-serving entities (LSEs) by March 1, 2021. If the CPUC does not order the procurement, this bill would require the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to procure the amount of long duration energy storage on behalf of the LSEs.

Status: This bill died.

Position: Oppose

California Advocates, Inc. Activity Report

- Participated in daily briefings for COVID-19 and pass along pertinent information to SCVWA staff.
- Participated in State Water Contractors advocate team call.
- Participated in the Southern California Water Coalition (SCWC) Legislative Task Force calls.
- Participated in monthly check-in call with SCVWA.
- Drafted and submitted “Request for Signature” letters on behalf of SCVWA on the following bills to Governor Newsom:
 - SB 1044 (Allen) Firefighting equipment and foam: PFAS chemicals. (Signed)
 - SB 1386 (Moorlach) Local government: assessments, fees, and charges: water: hydrants. (Signed)
 - AB 2560 (Quirk) Water quality: notification and response levels: procedures. (XXX)
- Advocated bill position to the Governor’s staff on behalf of the SCVWA.
- Scheduled meetings with the Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee and the Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee to discuss legislative priorities for the upcoming year and funding possibilities for district projects.

Regulatory

- Governor’s Appointments to the California Water Commission:
 - Samantha F.V. Arthur, 35, of Sacramento, has been appointed to the California Water Commission. Arthur has been Working Lands Program Director at Audubon California since 2019, where she has held multiple positions since 2014, including Conservation Project Director and Conservation Project Manager. She was a Strategic Planning and Policy Intern at the California Association of Resource Conservation Districts from 2013 to 2014 and a Land Protection Specialist at Big Sur Land Trust from 2010 to 2012.
 - Alexandre B. Makler, 52, of Berkeley, has been appointed to the California Water Commission. Makler has been Senior Vice President, West Region of Calpine Corporation since 2014, where he has held multiple positions since 1999, including Vice President of Strategic Origination and Development and Vice President/Assistant General Counsel. He was an Associate at Pillsbury Winthrop from 1998 to 1999 and at Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle from 1995 to 1998.
- The State Water Resources Control Board staff, the Ocean Protection Council, and numerous international experts will be participating in a webinar series starting on October 19th to characterize microplastics and human and ecological health effects. This webinar series is hosted by the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project, the San Francisco Estuary Institute, and the University of Toronto and is open to the public; more information on the webinar series and registration information is available here:
<https://www.sccwrp.org/about/research-areas/additional-research-areas/trash-pollution/microplastics-health-effects-webinar-series/>.

Important Dates and Deadlines for 2020

Fall Deadlines:

- November 3rd – General Election.
- November 30th – Adjournment sine die at midnight.
- December 7th – 2021-22 Regular Session convenes for Organizational Session at 12 noon.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: STEVE COLE, SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY

FROM: HUNT BRALY

RE: September 2020 Report

DATE: 10-5-2020

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

1. Continued to work with staff regarding PFAS Contamination issue.
2. Monitored status of final water legislation and Governor's decision on bills.
3. Continued to participate in efforts with Federal Advocates potential federal legislation and funding opportunities.
4. Continued to work with staff on Groundwater Management Committee. No meetings attended in September.

RECURRING ACTIVITIES/MEETING ATTENDANCE:

5. Safe, Clean Water Program (Measure W) Watershed Area Steering Committee Santa Clara River Meetings are still on hold until later in October or November.
6. Attended Virtual City Council Meeting on September 8.

There was a presentation of the City's Community Opinion Survey. A total of more than 1200 registered voters were surveyed, online and by phone. This was an increase of more than 300 since the last survey in 2018. The highlights were:

-Quality of Life. When asked the most important issue facing Santa Clarita 19% said COVID, 16% Traffic Congestion, 16% growth, 13% Public Safety, 9% Racial Inequality and 5% Homelessness.

Over 80% said Santa Clarita was a good place to raise a family, a good place to live and had an overall good quality of life. Support was significantly reduced as a place to retire (52%) and a place to work (57%).

-City Services. 39% of respondents were very satisfied and 48% somewhat satisfied with the City's municipal services. Among those dissatisfied, the issues were growth (9%) an imbalance of services (11%) and homelessness (8%).

-Economic Development. 60% of respondents indicated there were retail stores and restaurants located outside of the City they would like to have locally. The type of businesses included small coffee and baked goods cafes (25%), high-end apparel and department stores (16%), ethnic restaurants and markets (15%) and upscale restaurants (15%).

The complete 48-page report is on the City of Santa Clarita's website.

There continued to be significant public comment regarding the demand that Councilman Kellar resign from office for his comment of 10 years ago and racial justice issues.

All other items were routine and approved on the consent calendar.

Attended Virtual City Council Meeting September 22.

Public participation regarding Councilman Kellar and racial issues was much less with only 3 speakers in Public Participation.

There were 3 public hearings. The first hearing was the further extension of the City's Ordinance of the Moratorium of new retailers of flavored tobacco products for an additional 12 months. It passed and there were no public speakers. The second hearing was the approval of \$15 million in revenue bonds. The final matter was the discussion of the formation of a Local Public Health Department. This was motivated by Mayor Smyth's suggestion that Santa Clarita explore ways to distinguish health issues in Santa Clarita from the rest of LA County. The Council voted to explore their options.

7. Participate in the Virtual September 17th Public Outreach and Legislation Committee.
8. Monitored and reviewed Agency Board Agendas.
9. Reviewed weekly emails regarding articles of interest from Agency.

Public Outreach Matrix of Selected Activities October and November 2020

Website Statistics	October		
Total users	21,150		Users who have initiated at least one session during the date range
Total Page Views	45,704		Total number of pages viewed. Repeated views of a single page are counted.
Most Popular Content			
Home page	16,170		
Customer Care	6,732		Customer Care (pay; locate division; start/stop; etc)
Save Water & Money	21,658		Conservation program home page
Residential	866		Residential conservation programs
Connect	573		Contact Us
Valencia Division Bill	1,012		How to read your bill
Board/Committee Meetings	532		Agendas
Digital Outreach	As of 10/5/20		
Social Media			Notable activity
Facebook	710 likes 773 follows		
Instagram	1,206		
Twitter	1,012		
Constant Contact	OCTOBER		
Water Currents eNewsletter	18,605		Open rate: 25% (average industry open rate 21.64%)
Virtual Gardening Class News Blast	18,570		
Education	2020 Totals		
Students	1,490		In-person classes suspended due to COVID-19; currently revamping content for distance learning
Teachers	150		
In-Person Gardening Classes (Saturdays/Evenings)	63		January – February 2020; Classes on hold from March - July due to COVID-19
Virtual Garden Classes (Saturdays)	Sept - 48	113 total	September class: Proper Turf Care and Turf Care Substitutes

* Data not available yet

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LEGISLATION TRACKING

Letters of Support/Opposition

ITEM NO.

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Date	Bill/Initiative	Title	Stand	Notes	Leg. Policy*	Status
2/7/2020	Water Resilience Exec. Order N-10-19	Comments on draft resilience portfolio	Support	Signed on to coalition letter to Nancy Vogel, Director of the Governor's Water Portfolio Program on the resilience portfolio in development. Specifically addresses topics including water storage, conveyance, flood management, regulation and planning and others	2.0, 5.0	Letter sent
2/7/2020	Water Resilience Exec. Order N-10-19	Comments on draft resilience portfolio	Support	Also sent our own letter to Ms. Vogel, with similar points.	2.0, 5.0	Letter sent
4/20/2020	AB 2182 (Rubio)	Emergency Backup Generators: Water & Wastewater Facilities	Support	Sent our own letter to Chair, Assembly Committee on Natural Resources Laura Friedman	3.0	Letter sent
4/20/2020	SB 1099 (Dodd)	Emergency Backup Generators: Critical Facilities Exemption	Support	Sent our own letter to Chair, Senate Environmental Quality Committee Ben Allen	3.0	Letter sent
5/28/2020	S. 3811 (Feinstein)	Restoration of Essential Conveyance Act, legislation that would authorize federal funding to repair critical water supply infrastructure associated with the Ca. Aqueduct	Support	Sent our own thank you letter to Senator Dianne Feinstein	2.0	Letter sent
6/9/2020	S. 2044	Comments to support the inclusion of section 2 of S. 2044, the Water Supply Infrastructure Rehabilitation & Utilization Act as an amendment to S. 3422 the Great American Outdoors Act (GAOA)	Support	Sent our own letter to Senator Dianne Feinstein and Senator Kamala Harris	7.0	Letter sent
6/29/2020	H.R.2 (Moving Forward Act)	Amendment to H.R. 2 "Moving Forward Act"	Support	Sent our own thank you letter to Congressman Mike Garcia	9.0	Letter sent
7/7/2020	SB 1044 (Allen)	Firefighting Equipment & Foam which prohibits the use of PFAS chemicals	Support	Sent our own letter requesting Governor Newsom Signature	10.0	Letter sent 9/3/20
7/7/2020	AB 2560 (Quirk)	Amends CA Safe Drinking Water Act to require SWRCB to comply with specified public notice/comment procedures when revising (most) NLS and RLs	Support	Sent our own letter requesting Governor Newsom Signature	6.0	Bill passed. Enrolled 9/1/2020 - Sent letter to Governor 9/3/20
7/21/2020	AB 1720 (Carrillo)	Long Duration Energy Storage Procurement	Oppose Unless Amended	Signed on to coalition letter to Assembly Member Wendy Carrillo. CPUC also filed opposition.	3.0	Letter sent. 8/3 hearing postponed by committee
7/24/2020	EPA WaterSense Program	Response to EPA announcement that after a review of product performance criteria, they were not making any changes in specifications, and to consider adding consumer satisfaction to the specifications.	Support of the WaterSense program	Signed on to coalition letter from The Alliance for Water Efficiency (AWE)	5.0	Letter sent
8/7/2020	AB 3030 (Kalra)	Comments to oppose unless amended with ACWA's recommendations	Oppose Unless Amended	Signed on to coalition letter to Senator Henry Stern	7.0	Letter sent. 8/19 - placed on suspense file
9/3/2020	SB1386 (Moorlach)	Protect fire hydrant system funding and ensure public water suppliers can operate water systems to supply their customers & to fight fires	Support	Sent our own letter requesting Governor Newsom Signature	9.0	Letter sent 9/3/20

* Reference to applicable section of Legislative Policy Guidelines

Revised: Oct 8, 20

Represents changes since last distribution.

**SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY
GRANT SUMMARY**

**ITEM NO.
3.3**

Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Project Name	Total Project Cost	DWR Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-State Share)	Non-State Share (Funding Match)	Other Non-State Share
Prop 84 Round 1 Implementation	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	\$ -
Prop 84 Round 2 Implementation	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		
Prop 84 2014 Drought Grant	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		
Prop 1 Sustainable Groundwater Planning	12/5/2018	12/31/2022	2	a. Grant Administration b. Planning Activities	\$ 2,047,434	\$ 1,307,265	\$ 740,169		
Prop 1 Round 1 IRWM Implementation <i>(Preliminary Award; Anticipated Fund Range is \$2.3M to \$3M)</i>	N/A	N/A	2	1. Grant Administration 2. Recycle Water Phase 2C	\$ 9,124,450	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 4,880,005		\$ 1,154,445
					\$ 48,649,773	\$ 26,110,282	\$ 17,612,770		

APPLICATIONS UNDER CONSIDERATION									
Grant	Start Date	End Date	# of SCVWA Projects within Grant	SCV Project Name	Total Project Cost	DWR Funding	Required Funding Match (Non-Federal Share)	Non-Federal Share (Funding Match)	Other Non-Federal Share
WaterSMART Drought Response Program BOR-DO-20-F002	TBD	TBD	1	Saugus Wells 3 & 4 Equipment and Site Improvement Project	\$ 3,744,829	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 744,829	
WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grants BOR-DO-21-F001	TBD	TBD	1	Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project (SCV Water Phase 1)	\$ 3,475,860	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 2,475,860	

Last Update: 10/5/2020



SPONSORSHIP TRACKING FY JULY 2020 - JULY 2021

**ITEM NO.
3.4**

Updated: Oct 1, 2020

Agency Name	Event	Event Date	Event Location	Reg. Fee	Committed	Paid	Sponsorship
ACWA	2020 Summer Conference	May 5-8, 2020 (RESCHEDULED: July 28-31, 2020)	VIRTUAL	\$350		\$2,500	(ACWA transitioning to new virtual sponsorship options: added another \$500 and sponsored Thursday closing keynote E. Joaquin Esquivel, Chair, SWRCB & Director Karla Nemeth, CA DWR) Wed: Ice Cream Break \$2000
Urban Water Institute (UWI)	Informative Discussion with Felicia Marcus & Pat Mulroy	Aug 19, 2020	VIRTUAL			\$500	Listed on the UWI website, Zoom call and invitation as a sponsor, Name recognition on the call, A small ad in the monthly UWI newsletter, one participate can attend on all future Zoom Calls until end of 2020 at no charge
Santa Clarita Valley Economic Development & College of the Canyons (SCVEDC)	2020 Economic Outlook	Mar 12, 2020 (RESCHEDULED: Sept 17, 2020)	VIRTUAL	FREE		\$1,100	(VIRTUAL SPONSORSHIP: Q & A style article with me highlighting you or your company that will be posted on our blog and promoted on our social channels and via our eblasts, a full page ad with company recognition in the Santa Clarita Valley Business Journal, continued promotion of your company's sponsorship through our social media channels & on our website) Bronze: 2 reserved complimentary tickets to event at a sponsor table; Business card size color ad in Forecast program book; Company promotion through electronic and social media event marketing; Company logo in event presentation
SCV Chamber	State of the County Luncheon	May 15, 2020 (RESCHEDULED Aug 5, 2020; RESCHEDULED 2021)		\$75		\$1,500	Bronze Sponsor: 4 complimentary tickets, social media recognition, sponsor recognition in all marketing. Credit carried forward to 2021
CSDA	2020 Annual Conference	Aug 24-27, 20 (CANCELED)	Palm Desert	\$675			Sponsorship of Morning Coffee Station & 2/3rd page ad in the 50th Anniversary commemorative program - initial cost \$2,000
AWA	Annual Member & Elected Officials Reception	Sept 17, 20 (CANCELLED)	Ronald Reagan Presidential Library	Free to members			Representative Sponsor: Listing on invitation & event program, agency name on signage
SCV Chamber	Legislative Leaders Forum	TBD	Hyatt Valencia	N/A	\$1,000		Gold Sponsor: 6 reserved seats, logo placement on all event marketing materials, recognition in media and press
Urban Water Institute (UWI)	Informative Discussion with Jeff Kightlinger	Oct 21, 2020	VIRTUAL	\$25		\$500	Listed on the UWI website, Zoom call and invitation as a sponsor, Name recognition on the call, A small ad in the monthly UWI newsletter
AWA	25 Yrs. of Water Leadership Award Recipients	Oct 22, 2020	VIRTUAL	Free to members		\$500	Agency name on the program invitation, show it to attendees during the event, and place on AWA's website
Santa Clarita Environmental Education Consortium (SCEEC)	Green STEM	Nov 2020	College of the Canyons (VIRTUAL)	N/A		\$2,000	The event provides high school and college students with exposure to STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) concepts, but with sustainability as a key focus. The Water Technology program at COC is one of the featured programs. (Decreasing from previous Family of Water sponsorship of \$5000)
ACWA	2020 Fall Conference	Dec 2-3, 2020	VIRTUAL			\$2,500	ACWA transitioning to new virtual sponsorship options: added another \$500 and sponsored Wednesday Opening Keynote - Receive recognition as a sponsor during the keynote with logo & link to website during the presentation located in the sponsors box (Wed: Ice Cream Break \$2000)
Maven's Notebook	2021 Weekly E-blast	2021			\$5,000		
				Committed	\$6,000		
				Paid		\$11,100	
				Subtotal		\$17,100	
				FY20/21 Budget		\$20,000	
				Bal Remaining		\$2,900	

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2020 Public Outreach Events

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This is a list comprised of Landscape Classes, Water Resources webinars, public events and all staff meetings.

	Event	Location	Notes (Pre and/or Post)
January			
1/8	Agency All Staff Meeting	The Centre	
1/9	Landscape class (evening)	Rio Vista	Creating a Landscape Plan and Budget
1/11	Landscape class	Rio Vista	Proper Pruning
February			
2/6	Landscape class (evening)	Rio Vista	Designing a Sustainable Landscape
2/8	Landscape class	Rio Vista	Waterwise Vegetable Gardening
2/23	Mardi Gras Madness 5K/10K	Valencia Town Center	Students Off and Running: free afterschool program for youth in need through training for and completing a marathon. Fundraiser for SOAR: https://mgm5k.weebly.com/
June			
6/4	Agency All Staff Meeting	Virtual	
6/24-25	WaterReuse 2020 Ca. Annual Conference	Virtual	Presentation By: Steve Cole, Assistant GM – No New Drop Squandered: Santa Clarita’s Approach to Increasing Water Recycling
July			
7/30	International Water Association (IWA) Water Resources - Securing Long-Term Resilience Information	Webinar	Presentation By: Matt Dickens, Resource Conservation Manager – Lessons from Ca. Water Company Planning and Responses During Drought
August			
8/8	Landscape Class	GoToWebinar	Basics of Sustainable Landscaping
September			
9/26	Neighborhood Clean Up (formerly River Rally)		Clean up around town... www.greensantaclarita.com
9/19	Landscape Class	GoToWebinar	Water Saving Turf Care and Turf Substitutes
October			
10/6	Water Professionals Appreciation Lunch	@each location	
10/17	Landscape Class	GoToWebinar	Water Saving Plants for SCV Landscapes

10/17	Child & Family Purple 5K Walk		www.childfamilycenter.org
10/29-30	Halloween Drive Thru	The Centre	www.santa-clarita.com
November			
11/14	Landscape Class	GoToWebinar	Irrigation Basics for a Sustainable Landscape
December			
12/5	Landscape Class	GoToWebinar	Managing Soils and Fertilizers in the SCV

as of 9/30/20



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July 16, 2020 Committee – VIRTUAL MEETING

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
 - Monthly Outreach Matrix
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2019/20 and FY 2020/21
 - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2020
 - Committee Planning Calendar 2020

August 20, 2020 Committee – VIRTUAL MEETING

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
 - Quarterly Social Media Report from Consultant Tripepi Smith
 - Monthly Outreach Matrix
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2020/21
 - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2020
 - Committee Planning Calendar 2020
3. Recommend Authorizing the General Manager to Apply for Grant Funding Under the Federal Bureau of Reclamation WaterSmart Water Energy Efficiency Grant Program (WEEG) for an Automated Metering Infrastructure Project
4. Discussion of the RFP for New Website Design and Development
5. General Update on Virtual Outreach Efforts

September 1, 2020 – Board

1. Recommend Authorizing the General Manager to Apply for Grant Funding Under the Federal Bureau of Reclamation WaterSmart Water Energy Efficiency Grant Program (WEEG) for an Automated Metering Infrastructure Project
2. Approve RFP for New Website Design and Development

September 17, 2020 Committee – VIRTUAL MEETING

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
 - Monthly Outreach Matrix
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2020/21
 - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2020
 - Committee Planning Calendar 2020
3. Overview of Outreach Efforts

October 15, 2020 Committee – VIRTUAL MEETING

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
 - Monthly Outreach Matrix
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2020/21
 - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2020



**PUBLIC OUTREACH AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
AGENDA PLANNING CALENDAR 2021**

- Committee Planning Calendar FY 2020/21

November 19, 2020 Committee – VIRTUAL MEETING

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
 - Quarterly Social Media Report from Consultant Tripepi Smith
 - Monthly Outreach Matrix
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2020/21
 - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2020
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2020/21

December 17, 2020 Committee – VIRTUAL MEETING

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
 - Monthly Outreach Matrix
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2020/21
 - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2020/21
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2020/21

January 21, 2021 Committee

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
 - Quarterly Social Media Report from Consultant Tripepi Smith
 - Monthly Outreach Matrix
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2020/21
 - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2021
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2020/21

February 18, 2021 Committee

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
 - Monthly Outreach Matrix
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2020/21
 - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2021
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2020/21



PUBLIC OUTREACH AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE AGENDA PLANNING CALENDAR 2021

March 18, 2021 Committee

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
 - Monthly Outreach Matrix
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2020/21
 - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2021
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2020/21

April 15, 2021 Committee

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
 - Quarterly Social Media Report from Consultant Tripepi Smith
 - Monthly Outreach Matrix
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2020/21
 - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2021
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2020/21

May 20, 2021 Committee

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
 - Monthly Outreach Matrix
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2020/21
 - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2021
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2020/21

June 17, 2021 Committee

1. Legislative Consultant Reports
2. Public Information Officer Activities:
 - Monthly Outreach Matrix
 - Legislative Tracking
 - Grant Status Report
 - Sponsorship Tracking FY 2020/21
 - Public Outreach Event Calendar 2021
 - Committee Planning Calendar FY 2020/21