



### NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DATE: Wednesday, May 15, 2024

TIME: 6:00 p.m. Closed Session

7:00 p.m. Open Session (time approximate)

LOCATION: Zone 7 Administration Building

100 North Canyons Parkway, Livermore, California

VIDEO/TELECONFERENCE:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85698193180

(669) 444-9171, Meeting ID: 856 9819 3180

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ADDITIONAL TELECONFERENCE LOCATION (Gov't Code 54953(b)):

15420 Gallaudet Ave. Silver Spring, MD 20905

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#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Call Zone 7 Water Agency Meeting to Order
- 2. Closed Session
  - a. Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation: Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2): (1 potential case).
  - b. Conference with Labor Negotiators pursuant to Government Code section 54954.5: Agency Negotiators: Valerie Pryor/Osborn Solitei Employee Organizations: Alameda County Management Employees Association; Alameda County Building and Construction Trades Council, Local 342, AFL-CIO; International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers, Local 21, AFL-CIO; Local 1021 of the Service Employees International Union, CTW; Unrepresented Management
  - c. Conference with Legal Counsel Existing litigation pursuant to Gov't Code section 54956.9(d) (1): (1) State Water Contractors v. California Department of Fish & Wildlife (JCCP Case No. 5117), (2) Stark v. Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Zone 7 (Alameda County Superior Court Case No. 22-CV-5837), (3) Bautista v. Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Zone 7 (Alameda County Superior Court Case No. 22-CV-10679); (4) Alameda County Flood Control & Water Conservation District, Zone 7 v. County of Alameda, (Alameda County Superior Court Case No. 23-CV-51449); (5) Alameda County Flood Control & Water Conservation District, Zone 7 v. City of Pleasanton (Alameda County Superior Court Case No. 24-CV-61595); (6) In re: Aqueous Film-Forming Foams Products Liability Litigation (S.D. South Carolina, MDL No. 2:18-mn-2873-RMG).
  - d. Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation: Initiation of litigation pursuant to § 54956.9(d) (one case)
- 3. Open Session and Report Out of Closed Session
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance
- 5. Roll Call of Directors
- 6. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

  The Public Comment section provides an opportunity to address the Board of Directors on items that are not listed on the agenda, or informational items pertinent to the agency's business. The Board welcomes your comments and requests that speakers present their remarks in a respectful manner, within established time limits, and focus on issues which directly affect the agency or are within the jurisdiction of the agency. The Board will not be able to act on matters brought to its attention under this item until a future board meeting.

#### 7. Minutes

- a. Special Board Meeting Minutes of April 3, 2024
- b. Regular Board Meeting Minutes of April 17, 2024

#### 8. Consent Calendar

- a. Award Contracts for On-Call Water Supply Systems Engineering Services
- b. Award Contracts for On-Call Electrical Engineering Services
- c. Award a Contract for On-Call Materials Testing and Support Services
- d. Award Contracts for On-Call Construction Management Support Services
- e. Award a Contract for On-Call Hydraulic Modeling Support Services

### Recommended Action: Adopt Resolutions

- 9. Reports Directors
  - a. Written Reports
  - b. Verbal Reports
- 10. Items for Future Agenda Directors
- 11. Staff Reports
  - a. General Manager's Report
  - b. April Outreach Activities
  - c. Legislative Update
  - d. Monthly Water Inventory and Water Budget Update
  - e. Capital Projects Status Report

## 12. Adjournment

- 13. Upcoming Board Schedule: (All meeting locations are in the Boardroom at 100 North Canyons Parkway, Livermore, unless otherwise noted.)
  - a. Finance Committee Meeting: May 29, 2024, 11:00 am
  - b. Legislative Committee Meeting: May 23, 2024, 4:00 pm
  - c. Special Board Meeting: June 5, 2024, 6:00 pm
  - d. Regular Board Meeting: June 11, 2024, 7:00 pm





## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ZONE 7

#### ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

## SPECIAL MEETING April 3, 2024

**Directors Present:** Dawn Benson

Sandy Figuers Dennis Gambs Laurene Green Kathy Narum Sarah Palmer

<u>Directors Absent</u>: Angela Ramirez Holmes

<u>Staff Present</u>: Valerie Pryor, General Manager

Chris Hentz, Assistant General Manager – Engineering

Osborn Solitei, Treasurer/Assistant General Manager – Finance

Ken Minn, Water Resources Manager Donna Fabian, Executive Assistant

### <u>Item 1 – Call Meeting to Order</u>

President Figuers called the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 6:04 pm.

#### Item 2 – Pledge of Allegiance

President Figuers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Item 3 – Roll Call of Directors

Director Ramirez Holmes was absent.

#### Item 4 – Public Comment

No public comments were received.

### <u>Item 5 – Energy Policy Development</u>

Valerie Pryor, General Manager, informed the Board that today's workshop marks the initial phase of creating an Energy Policy, as outlined in the Strategic Plan. The goal is to develop both an Energy Policy and an Energy Master Plan. This evening's discussion focuses on establishing a framework for the Energy Policy. Ms. Pryor mentioned that staff will present a proposed policy at a future Board meeting. She then introduced Ricky Gutierrez from Carollo Engineers.

Mr. Gutierrez thanked the Board for the opportunity to be there to discuss the important topic and gather input on an Energy Policy. Mr. Gutierrez stated that he will first discuss the structure and objective of the workshop, and then he will go through the Energy Policy framework topics. There are three modules to discuss; 1) Policy Research and Scope, 2) Policy Interviews and Policy Statement Focus Areas, and 3) Summary of Recommended Framework for the Energy Policy.

Mr. Gutierrez stated that as a first step in policy development, Carollo Engineers conducted research to better understand Zone 7's current policies, including its structure and framework, and to make sure that this policy is in alignment with Zone 7's existing policies, missions, and goals. They then researched energy policies from several other agencies, similar in size and type, and in this region.

Mr. Gutierrez stated that they realized through this process that there was quite a bit of variety in these policies. They looked at Sonoma County Water Agency's Energy Policy, East Bay Municipal Utilities District's (EBMUD) Energy Policy, as well as their sustainability and resilience plan. And also Dublin San Ramon Services District's (DSRSD) Energy Policy that was recently adopted, as well as several others, noting there was a broad range of policy language and how they were written.

Carollo Engineers recommends that Zone 7's Energy Policy scope must be aligned with the Agency's mission, it needs to be aligned with the strategic plan, specifically initiative 16 for development and implementation of an energy strategy, and it should focus on opportunities associated with Zone 7's operations. The scope will not cover indirect operations such as vendors or the State Water Project.

Director Green inquired about the process for identifying and selecting energy opportunities, questioning whether it is a structured approach or more ad hoc. Mr. Gutierrez explained that the development of an Energy Policy would guide the creation of a screening framework to evaluate potential energy projects, including those focused on efficiency and renewable generation. This framework will help determine factors such as desired return on investment (ROI) for each project. Ms. Pryor added that the Energy Policy would lead to an Energy Master Plan, which would be regularly reviewed and aligned with the Board's budget cycle.

Director Gambs discussed the variability in policies between different water agencies, referencing Sonoma Water and EBMUD, noting that Sonoma's board composition might explain its ambitious policy approach, while EBMUD's highly qualified staff might enable more

detailed project involvement. He suggested that Zone 7 would fit somewhere in the middle in terms of policy approach. Director Gambs expressed confusion about the inclusion of flood control in the policy, noting it seemed out of place since it is not a primary focus. Mr. Gutierrez concurred, indicating that flood control was mentioned because it's part of the mission statement but not a main area of energy focus.

Next Mr. Gutierrez discussed the interviews they had with staff as well as with retailers. They had two workshops with Zone 7 staff and held interviews with several different sections of the Agency including engineering, maintenance, operations, fleet management, and then Zone 7 management. They then went back and had another workshop where they presented the findings of those interviews to staff. Lastly, they interviewed Zone 7's four retailers, the cities of Livermore and Pleasanton, California Water Service, and DSRSD.

Director Palmer emphasized the need for caution in policy development to avoid good intentions leading to unintended consequences. She expressed concerns about blindly adopting trends such as fleet electrification, especially considering scenarios like extended emergency operations during fires where electric vehicles may not be suitable. She highlighted the importance of balancing compliance with regulations and political pressures against practical long-term considerations. She advocated for resilience against grid failures and urged utilizing existing infrastructure to enhance efficiency without the costly need for complete overhauls.

Director Green expressed strong agreement with the advocacy aspects discussed, emphasizing the importance of engagement with upcoming state policies to ensure they are beneficial for both the Agency and others. She praised the alignment and reliability highlighted in the Zone 7 interviews but voiced concerns about potential impacts on labor resources, particularly whether additional training might be necessary due to new energy management tools. Mr. Gutierrez responded by noting that while such tools can optimize energy usage, they also require proper staff training and could place additional demands on employees already responsible for water supply tasks.

Director Green also inquired about how general retailer priorities, like cost stability, are being addressed. Mr. Gutierrez explained that with rising PG&E rates, implementing on-site renewable energy sources could offer long-term cost stability, especially under conditions such as those set by NEM 3.0, which affect returns from selling energy back to the grid. Lastly, Director Green sought clarity on the concept of ROI, particularly in terms of infrastructure projects like solar. Mr. Gutierrez clarified that the Agency evaluates the life cycle and payback period of projects, aiming for investments that make financial sense, such as those with a payback period of 15 years or less.

Director Gambs highlighted that a recurring theme among the feedback from retailers focused on cost savings, which appears to be a key concern. He noted that while DSRSD presented a more detailed perspective, it was particularly interesting that they supported reducing greenhouse gases provided the costs were reasonable.

Director Narum raised concerns about the broadness of the compliance and governance section with regard to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and its impact on electricity rates, particularly in the context of NEM 3.0. Mr. Gutierrez attempted to address this by suggesting that the section is indeed intended to be broad, covering various regulatory requirements that could affect the Agency, including energy usage and fleet management. He acknowledged that the specific impacts of NEM 3.0 on the viability of solar projects and their ROIs are significant, but the financials could be reevaluated if regulations change.

Ms. Pryor added that the compliance and governance should be seen from a policy perspective, suggesting that policy statements could aim to meet or exceed compliance targets well ahead of time, which would have substantial impacts on policy specifics. Director Narum; however, felt that the influence of the CPUC on electricity was not clearly covered under compliance or governance.

Further discussion included the Agency's current resilience to power outages, with Mr. Gutierrez noting that while treatment plants have backup power, some parts of the system do not. This led to a consideration of including more resilient power solutions in the project list, which Ms. Pryor supported by recalling the rental of emergency generators during the last drought. She suggested that the Energy Master Plan might lead to recommendations for additional backup power facilities to enhance system resilience.

Director Benson emphasized the importance of maintaining fiscal responsibility while also pursuing innovation, particularly in light of developments like NEM 3.0. She highlighted the need for flexibility to incorporate innovative opportunities, such as grants, that align with environmental and fiscal responsibilities. She questioned the rationale behind a 15-year payback criterion for projects, prompting a response from Mr. Gutierrez, who explained that this benchmark is based on discussions with staff and is not rigid. He clarified that while a 15-year payback serves as a preliminary filter for evaluating the viability of projects, each project requires a case-by-case assessment. Ms. Pryor added that the 15-year figure was used as an example in discussions to provide a basis for Board consideration and is not a firm recommendation. Director Benson also raised concerns about the potential burden on staff from new projects and procedures, stressing the need for balancing innovation with the workload and exploring ways to streamline processes to ease the implementation burden. Mr. Gutierrez concurred, noting the importance of considering the impact on staff resources when planning and implementing projects.

Director Figuers emphasized the importance of being cautious with the statistical nature of lifespan estimates and their impact on ROI calculations, highlighting the challenge of setting appropriate lifespan assumptions and the potential consequences of setting them too long or too short. Director Palmer underscored the importance of aligning energy policies with the Agency's primary mission of water and flood management, stressing that any energy initiatives should not detract from these core responsibilities. Mr. Gutierrez affirmed that staff feedback also supported the need for energy policies to be complementary to the Agency's mission, without contradicting its goals. Director Green suggested that instead of specifying a fixed number of years for project paybacks, it might be more flexible to consider a percentage of

the expected lifespan, which could provide a more adaptable framework for evaluating different types of projects.

Director Gambs discussed the implementation of the policy, emphasizing the need for it to align comfortably with the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and integrate various factors relevant to the Agency's core focus on water and flood management. He highlighted the importance of considering these elements when implementing projects to ensure they support the Agency's primary business activities effectively.

Director Narum expressed concerns about the clarity of the ROI statement, suggesting an amendment to specify a payback period of "15 years or less" to enhance understanding. She emphasized the importance of ensuring that projects contribute to providing clean, safe, and affordable potable drinking water, aligning with the organization's core values.

Mr. Gutierrez turned the discussion over to the recommended policy framework, emphasizing alignment with Zone 7's mission and strategic plan. He detailed the focus areas for the Board's consideration, starting with fiscal responsibility. He presented three key statements for fiscal responsibility, highlighting the contentious point about striving for a payback period of 15 years or less for energy projects. There was a discussion on whether to modify or eliminate this target, with some members suggesting that the guideline might be covered by a broader commitment to fiscal responsibility.

The conversation then shifted to reliability and resilience. Mr. Gutierrez outlined the goal to enhance energy reliability and resilience through diverse energy sources and preparedness for energy disruptions. Director Green raised concerns about emissions from generators used during emergencies, prompting a discussion on alternative, cleaner energy options like clean diesel and battery systems.

The focus area of resource optimization was introduced next, discussing efficiency goals and the incorporation of energy-efficient practices in facility design. Mr. Gutierrez clarified that this area would also address the efficient use of staff and energy resources.

Lastly, the Board discussed environmental responsibility, particularly the procurement of renewable energy and the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. A debate ensued over whether to specify greenhouse gas reduction targets or keep the goals broad and flexible. Director Gambs suggested specifying that actions be taken "to the extent reasonable" rather than "as feasible." Director Narum called for clarity on whether procuring renewable energy and reducing emissions should be considered as one or separate objectives, highlighting the need for precise language in the policy.

Mr. Gutierrez provided a comprehensive overview of the baseline energy assessment, focusing on the categorization of emissions into scope one, two, and three. He explained that scope one emissions encompass direct emissions from chemical usage, heating, and equipment such as forklifts and diesel generators. Scope two emissions relate to indirect emissions from purchased electricity, which are currently zero due to the procurement of green energy. He

noted that the assessment did not cover scope three emissions, which would include emissions from external sources like the State Water Project and other contractors.

Director Figuers highlighted ongoing efforts in water treatment advancements, particularly the potential reduction of RO filter pressures, which could significantly decrease energy consumption. He suggested that future technological improvements could be pivotal for energy savings.

Chris Hentz, Assistant General Manager – Engineering, added to the discussion by noting that most contractors are required to comply with stringent energy efficiency standards similar to those adhered to by the Board. He emphasized that the Board's broad policy directives generally extend to contractors, ensuring a consistent approach to energy efficiency across operations.

Director Gambs raised a point about the terminology used in discussing the cost-effectiveness of renewable energy projects. He differentiated between "feasible," which simply means something can be done, and "reasonable," which implies a more deliberate consideration of cost-effectiveness and practicality. He suggested that discussions about the reasonableness of projects would be more appropriate for Board deliberations. Mr. Gutierrez concurred, acknowledging that the current wording might be inadequate and could benefit from refinement to better reflect the Board's decision-making criteria.

Mr. Gutierrez introduced the topic of compliance and governance, discussing the Agency's commitment to meet or exceed federal, state, and local energy and greenhouse gas emission regulatory targets while ensuring service quality and alignment with other Zone 7 policies. He mentioned that these efforts also aimed to achieve regulatory compliance for the Zone 7 fleet.

Director Palmer suggested that advocacy should be incorporated into the policy to enhance its effectiveness. In response to the phrase "meet or exceed," Director Gambs raised a concern about the cost-effectiveness of exceeding regulatory targets, questioning if excessive compliance was a worthwhile investment. Mr. Gutierrez suggested amending the statement to incorporate "where reasonable," thereby softening the expectation. However, Director Palmer recommended simplifying it to just "meet." This change was acknowledged by Mr. Gutierrez, who agreed to the adjustment. Director Narum then requested the addition of a bullet point for advocacy, which Mr. Gutierrez confirmed would be included.

Mr. Gutierrez continued the presentation with a slide that illustrated how potential projects could align with the Board's focus areas. He described various projects such as fleet electrification, on-site solar, electrical system improvements, pump optimization, and battery energy storage systems. He highlighted how these projects could support multiple focus areas like environmental responsibility, fiscal responsibility, resilience, resource optimization, and compliance and governance.

Director Benson inquired specifically about fleet electrification, noting it could also be tied to fiscal responsibility, particularly if vehicle replacements were timed with the end of life of

current vehicles. Ms. Pryor mentioned that fleet electrification might lead to increased costs for Zone 7.

Mr. Gutierrez explained that the purpose of the slide was to demonstrate the use of focus areas as a framework for screening projects to ensure they align with the Board's policy objectives.

As the discussion concluded, Mr. Gutierrez solicited further input on the focus areas to confirm they comprehensively covered the policy needs. He stated that staff would take the Board's feedback and prepare a draft Energy Policy for review at a future Board meeting. Additionally, staff will follow up with directions and input received from this meeting.

### <u>Item 6 – Adjournment</u>

President Figuers adjourned the meeting at 7:29 pm.





# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ZONE 7

#### ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING April 17, 2024

<u>Directors Present</u>: Dawn Benson

Sandy Figuers Dennis Gambs Laurene Green Kathy Narum Sarah Palmer

Angela Ramirez Holmes

<u>Staff Present</u>: Valerie Pryor, General Manager

Chris Hentz, Assistant General Manager – Engineering

Osborn Solitei, Treasurer/Assistant General Manager – Finance

Mona Olmsted, Acting Engineering Manager

Sal Segura, Associate Engineer Donna Fabian, Executive Assistant

General Counsel: Rebecca Smith, Downey Brand

### Item 1 – Call Zone 7 Water Agency Meeting to Order

President Figuers called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 7:02 p.m.

#### Item 2 – Closed Session

The Board entered Closed Session at 6:00 p.m. and concluded it at 6:46 p.m. Director Benson was not present.

#### <u>Item 3 – Open Session and Report Out of Closed Session</u>

President Figuers stated that the Board met in Closed Session, discussed the General Manager's compensation, and the Board will report back during the discussion items.

### Item 4 – Pledge of Allegiance

President Figuers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### <u>Item 5 – Roll Call of Directors</u>

All Directors were present.

#### Item 6 – Public Comment

Alan Burnham, a resident of Livermore, provided public comment.

#### Item 7 – Minutes

Director Palmer made a motion to approve the regular Board meeting minutes of March 20, 2024, and Director Narum seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by a voice vote of 6-0 with Director Ramirez Holmes abstaining.

#### Item 8 – Consent Calendar

Director Narum motioned to approve Items 8a and 8b, with Director Benson seconding the motion. The items on the Consent Calendar were then unanimously approved by a roll call vote of 7-0.

### Item 9 – Commendation for Retired Engineering Manager Jarnail Chahal

Director Palmer read the Commendation that was prepared for Jarnail Chahal. She emphasized Jarnail's continued involvement in crucial projects up until his retirement, highlighting his generosity and significance to the team. Despite acknowledging the solemnity of the moment, Palmer expressed the collective sentiment of missing Jarnail dearly, both personally and professionally.

Director Gambs echoed Director Palmer's sentiments, recalling Jarnail's professionalism and pivotal role in various projects over the years.

While acknowledging the loss of a significant repository of institutional knowledge, Director Green praised Jarnail's guidance and support, particularly during the onboarding process and her technical inquiries.

President Figuers reminisced about Jarnail's quiet yet impactful presence, describing him as a steady and consummate professional whose absence would be keenly felt.

Director Ramirez Holmes underscored Jarnail's extensive tenure and indispensable role in addressing key issues like PFAS, emphasizing his transition to a more public-facing role in later years.

Director Narum, although having limited interaction with Jarnail, acknowledged his valuable contributions to raising awareness about PFAS and stressed the importance of retaining his institutional knowledge for future decision-making.

Director Benson, while having a shorter tenure alongside Jarnail, lauded his behind-the-scenes contributions and instrumental role in advancing significant projects, emphasizing the wealth of knowledge he leaves behind.

Collectively, the Directors extended their heartfelt wishes for Jarnail's well-deserved retirement, expressing hope for future opportunities to benefit from his expertise and experience.

Linda Kelly, a resident of Pleasanton, fondly recalled her interactions with Jarnail, noting his pleasant demeanor, warm smile, and willingness to assist her despite her occasional complaints as a member of the public. She praised his gentlemanly conduct and eagerness to provide information or redirect her inquiries appropriately. Ms. Kelly expressed her regret at no longer encountering Jarnail during her visits to the offices and extended heartfelt wishes for a fulfilling retirement, urging him to savor every moment.

Director Palmer made a motion to approve the Commendation and Director Green seconded it. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

<u>Item 10 – Award a Contract for MGDP and Mocho Wellfield PFAS Compliance Conceptual Design</u>

Mona Olmsted, Acting Engineering Manager, delivered a presentation on the award of a consultant contract regarding the PFAS Compliance Conceptual Design for the Mocho Groundwater De-mineralization Plant (MGDP) and Mocho Wellfield.

Ms. Olmsted provided updates on recent PFAS regulations, highlighting the establishment of national standards by the US Environmental Protection Agency on April 10, 2024. She outlined the requirements for public water systems to monitor PFAS levels and comply with new maximum contaminant levels (MCLs) within five years. Zone 7 has been actively monitoring PFAS since late 2018 and reporting results annually, while also proactively planning, designing, and constructing new treatment facilities to ensure compliance.

Ms. Olmsted delved into PFAS levels for the Mocho Well water since sampling began in late 2018, specifically focusing on PFOA, PFOS, and PFHxS. Graphical representations illustrated the levels relative to new federal limits and existing state limits, with projections indicating the need for additional treatment facilities to meet MCLs.

Based on monitoring data and estimates, Ms. Olmsted proposed beginning with a conceptual design for the Mocho Wellfield PFAS Treatment Facility to determine the most effective treatment option and siting requirements. She highlighted the need for interim modifications to mitigate reduced production capacity during the design and construction phases. The

conceptual design is anticipated to be completed by the end of the calendar year, with subsequent design and construction phases expected to follow.

Ms. Olmsted concluded with a recommendation for the Board to authorize the General Manager to negotiate, execute, and amend a professional services agreement with Carollo Engineers, Inc. for engineering services for the MGDP and Mocho Wellfield PFAS Compliance Conceptual Design, with a budget not to exceed \$320,000, including a 10% contingency.

Director Green raised questions regarding the focus on specific PFAS compounds, specifically mentioning PFOA, PFOS, and PFHxS, and inquiring about potential plans to address other regulated PFAS compounds. She mentioned rumors about PFHxA potentially being the next compound the state may provide guidance on and sought clarification on how staff intends to handle emerging compounds.

Ms. Olmsted explained that the focus on the aforementioned PFAS compounds is due to their levels being higher than regulatory limits in the Mocho well field water. She highlighted that the limits for other PFAS compounds are generally much higher than the levels found in their water, hence the concentration on the three compounds mentioned.

Director Green further inquired about Mocho Well 4, noting its levels dropping below the MCL for PFOS and PFHxS. She sought clarification on potential factors influencing this decline, such as natural fluctuations or operational changes within the well field.

Ms. Olmsted explained that the fluctuations in the blended water levels, represented by the dark green line on the chart, were largely influenced by the levels in Mocho well 4 and the offline status of Mocho well 3 during specific periods. She noted that while there appeared to be a reduction in levels for Mocho well 4, it was uncertain whether this trend would persist. Ms. Olmsted also mentioned that Mocho well 4 draws from a lower aquifer compared to other wells and has been relied upon for blending with other treated wells from the MGDP.

Director Ramirez Holmes directed attention to a specific section of the staff report regarding the decision to expedite the conceptual design for the PFAS Compliance Treatment Facility, seeking clarification on the rationale behind this decision. She also noted the inclusion of a nobid contract for the conceptual design and inquired about plans for the full design.

Valerie Pryor, General Manager, explained that the decision to expedite the conceptual design stemmed from the community's desire to eliminate PFAS from their water, leading to voluntary compliance despite the five-year regulatory timeline. She highlighted the loss of production capacity in the Mocho well field due to voluntary compliance and the need for expedited action to ensure sufficient groundwater resources during potential dry years. Ms. Olmsted further elaborated on the sole-source contract recommendation for Carollo Engineers, Inc., emphasizing their expertise in the MGDP and Mocho wells, which would facilitate a quicker start to the conceptual design phase.

Director Ramirez Holmes sought confirmation on plans to bid for the full design, to which Ms. Olmsted affirmed, detailing the intention to prepare a Request for Proposals (RFP) at the

conclusion of the conceptual design period to minimize time loss. Discussion ensued regarding the expanded scope of the project, with Director Ramirez Holmes expressing concerns about the additional budget allocation exceeding the initial budgetary estimate. Ms. Olmsted clarified that the expanded scope necessitated the increased budget, citing the need for testing various media and exploring interim modifications to mitigate production capacity reductions.

Concerns were raised regarding the lack of data from Zone 7's own PFAS treatment plants, with Director Ramirez Holmes questioning the need for new media testing. Ms. Olmsted explained that testing would involve Mocho well water to inform the design phase effectively. Mr. Pryor highlighted the project's complexity, particularly its integration with the MGDP and the unique aspects of the bypass facility, underscoring the importance of incorporating lessons learned from other treatment plants.

Chris Hentz, Assistant General Manager – Engineering, further clarified on the complexities of designing the treatment facility, emphasizing site-specific considerations and the need for tailored solutions. Director Ramirez Holmes inquired about the estimated cost of the treatment plant, to which Ms. Olmsted provided a ballpark figure of \$35 million for design, construction, and potential land acquisition, as outlined in the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

Director Palmer sought clarification on the functionality of the bypass valve within the treatment process, likening it to blending water from different wells. Ms. Olmsted confirmed this analogy, emphasizing that the bypassed water does not undergo membrane filtration in the MGDP.

Mr. Hentz elaborated on the necessity of bypassing a certain amount of water to blend it with treated water, ensuring that the membrane product water, being exceptionally pure, attains suitable quality levels. He highlighted potential interim modifications to improve control over bypassed water and reduce blended PFAS levels, thereby enhancing overall well production and treatment facility efficiency.

Director Narum commended the proactive approach taken to expedite the project, referencing past successes in securing grants due to the agency's forward-thinking initiatives.

Director Gambs raised queries regarding the treatment process, particularly regarding potential scenarios for treating each well and the flexibility to adjust treatment methods based on evolving needs. Ms. Olmsted affirmed that the consultant would develop alternatives, including cost estimates and life cycle assessments, to inform decision-making.

Director Gambs also inquired about the incorporation of Mocho Well 1 into the project scope, prompting Ms. Olmsted to suggest including its capacity in the conceptual design phase for future consideration.

Director Green expressed skepticism regarding potential changes in vessel sizes based on current PFAS concentrations, suggesting that alterations in material replacement frequency might occur instead. Mr. Hentz responded by outlining the scope of the upcoming study, emphasizing the goal of optimizing the system to restore well production while meeting regulatory requirements with minimal investment.

Director Ramirez Holmes raised concerns regarding the parcel for the proposed treatment facility, specifically questioning the availability of space and potential impacts on neighboring residents. Ms. Olmsted assured that the parcel's suitability would be thoroughly examined during the conceptual design phase, including considerations for feasibility and resident impact assessment. Director Ramirez Holmes stressed the importance of proactive outreach and resident engagement to address concerns about the facility's visibility and proximity to residential areas.

Director Ramirez Holmes further voiced concerns about the budgetary implications of expediting the project, highlighting uncertainties regarding its impact on the fiscal year budget, other priorities, and water rates. She emphasized the need for comprehensive consideration of all variables during decision-making processes, expressing apprehension about making isolated decisions without accounting for broader implications. While acknowledging the importance of water quality, Director Ramirez Holmes underscored the necessity of balanced decision-making to address varying priorities effectively.

Director Palmer emphasized the importance of expediting the project to avoid potential supply chain issues and ensure timely acquisition of necessary equipment. She highlighted the benefits of proactive planning, citing past successes in securing equipment ahead of regulatory deadlines. Director Palmer underscored the urgency of addressing the PFAS issue, anticipating stringent regulations and heightened public scrutiny.

Director Narum echoed Director Palmer's sentiments, acknowledging Director Ramirez Holmes' concerns while emphasizing the necessity of prioritizing water quality improvement efforts. She expressed confidence in the project's importance and urged for proactive action to mitigate potential delays. Director Narum emphasized the challenges associated with land acquisition and the need to expedite the project to avoid further delays.

The discussion shifted to potential treatment methods, with Ms. Olmsted confirming that the conceptual testing would primarily focus on ion exchange based on previous data collected from other sites. She explained that granulated activated carbon (GAC) was considered less effective and more costly for removing the specific PFAS compounds present in the well water.

Director Palmer moved to approve the Resolution with Director Narum seconding the motion. The Resolution was approved unanimously by a roll call vote of 7-0.

### <u>Item 11 – Declaration of May as Water Awareness Month</u>

Ms. Pryor highlighted the significance of May as Water Awareness Month in California, noting the statewide efforts by water agencies to conduct public outreach and education events aimed at heightening public awareness about water supply, conservation, and water use efficiency. She emphasized the importance of recognizing Water Awareness Month locally, traditionally done through Board Resolution support and various community activities. These

efforts aim to underscore the vital role of water in the community and the ongoing importance of conservation, even in non-drought years.

Ms. Pryor informed the Board about the partnership with the Save Our Water Program, a collaboration with ACWA and the Department of Water Resources, as well as ongoing engagement with retailers to amplify outreach efforts. A key activity planned for Water Awareness Month at Zone 7 includes hosting public tours of the Patterson Pass Water Treatment Plant on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. Efforts to publicize these tours were initiated in hopes of encouraging community participation.

Additionally, Ms. Pryor mentioned that the Dublin San Ramon Services District is also conducting tours of their wastewater treatment plant, with reciprocal support between the two entities. Moreover, efforts to revive the Natives Garden tour were discussed, with in-person Garden Tours scheduled for May 4<sup>th</sup> and May 5<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Pryor concluded by recommending the adoption of the Resolution by the Board, affirming their commitment to Water Awareness Month.

Director Palmer moved to approve the Resolution with Director Ramirez Holmes seconding the motion. The Resolution was approved unanimously by a voice vote of 7-0.

#### <u>Item 12 – 2024 Annual Sustainability Report</u>

Sal Segura, Associate Engineer, presented the 2024 Annual Water Sustainability Report, highlighting its significance as part of the Agency's reliability policy aimed at ensuring a reliable water supply and infrastructure. Mr. Segura outlined key points, including local rainfall being slightly above normal following a wet year in 2023, Zone 7's expected State Water Project allocation and local water supply, plans to recharge the main basin and consider surplus water storage options. Regarding statewide conditions, Mr. Segura noted average hydrologic conditions on April 1st with historical snow water conditions also at 110% of average. He emphasized the importance of North Sierra's contribution to the valley's water supply and discussed trends in precipitation, referencing previous years' extremes.

Ms. Segura provided insights into Livermore's precipitation levels and highlighted the role of water storage during drought periods, showcasing trends in groundwater and end-of-year storage balances. The presentation detailed Zone 7's water supply portfolio for 2024, projecting a split between incoming supplies and storage to meet demand. Looking ahead to 2025, Mr. Segura anticipated a reduced supply but assured that Zone 7 remained solvent. The presentation concluded with a discussion on matching supply and demand over the next five years, highlighting the Agency's ability to meet projected demands and potential strategies to mitigate storage decline through water purchases and transfers, with a commitment to monitor conditions for future planning.

### <u>Item 13 – General Manager's Compensation</u>

Director Ramirez Holmes addressed the need for the Board to consider the General Manager's compensation following her evaluation from the previous month. Director Ramirez Holmes

proposed a 6% increase, effective from the current pay period starting on April 14, 2024. President Figuers seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by a roll call vote of 7-0.

#### Item 14 – Committees

There were no comments on the Committee notes.

### <u>Item 15 – Reports – Directors</u>

Director Ramirez Holmes formally announced her decision to resign from her position on the Board, indicating that she would submit her resignation in May. Reflecting on her tenure, she underscored the significance of her role as one of the few women to have served on the Board and celebrated the progress made in increasing female representation, recognizing the impact of this transformation for her personally.

Expressing pride in the achievements accomplished during her time on the Board, Director Ramirez Holmes highlighted the establishment of the Legislative Committee, enhancements in financial transparency, and the successful implementation of the Pension Trust Fund.

President Figuers conveyed gratitude for Director Ramirez Holmes' dedicated service and lauded her exceptional problem-solving skills and logical approach to addressing challenges. While acknowledging occasional differences of opinion, President Figuers commended Director Ramirez Holmes for her valuable contributions and steadfast commitment to the Board's mission.

Director Palmer echoed President Figuers' sentiments, emphasizing Director Ramirez Holmes' valuable insights and logical reasoning, which enriched Board deliberations and decision-making processes. Director Palmer expressed appreciation for Director Ramirez Holmes' contributions and lamented the void her departure would create on the Board.

Director Benson reflected on Director Ramirez Holmes' early days on the Board, highlighting her collaborative spirit and commitment to fostering goodwill among agencies in the Tri-Valley. Director Benson commended Director Ramirez Holmes for her leadership, critical thinking skills, and dedication to advancing the Agency's mission. She expressed gratitude for Director Ramirez Holmes' mentorship and acknowledged her profound impact on the organization's culture and values.

Director Benson then proceeded to report her attendance at the Alameda County CSDA meeting, participation in the Delta Conveyance Project tour, attendance at Water 101 presented by the Water Education Foundation, and participation in ACWA's Legislative Symposium.

Director Gambs also reported attending the ACCSDA meeting, participating in the Delta Conveyance Project tour, and attending ACWA's Legislative Symposium.

Director Ramirez Holmes added her attendance at the groundbreaking ceremony of the Iron Horse Park in Dublin.

Director Palmer submitted a written report and additionally mentioned her attendance at an ACWA Board Meeting, Water 101 session, and a hearing on Chromium 6. She highlighted an upcoming tour scheduled for September 13<sup>th</sup> by ACWA Region 5.

Director Green reported attending a Water Quality Committee meeting through ACWA.

Director Narum suggested that staff include AB 2619 on the list of bills being tracked. Director Ramirez Holmes instructed Carol Mahoney, Government Relations manager, to assess its relevance to Zone 7 and, if applicable, to bring it to the attention of the Legislative Committee.

## <u>Item 16 – Items for Future Agenda – Directors</u>

Director Ramirez Holmes proposed a future agenda item to address the travel reimbursement policy for Directors, seeking to streamline and improve the process. Director Palmer echoed this sentiment, emphasizing the Directors' desire for options and guidelines to facilitate the adoption of a policy that enhances efficiency and transparency.

### <u>Item 17 – Staff Reports</u>

Ms. Pryor provided insights from her report, addressing Director Gambs' inquiry regarding State Water Project allocations. She elaborated on the significant impact of February's cross-Delta exports, which faced severe restrictions due to fisheries regulations aimed at protecting the threatened California Central Valley steelhead under the Federal Endangered Species Act. These regulations, alongside permit conditions, led to a notable reduction in exports. While the specific permit restriction extended until the end of March, further limitations could arise later in the spring. Ms. Pryor highlighted the evolution in allocation methods over the past decades and emphasized the Department of Water Resources' (DWR) efforts in monitoring exports. Notably, DWR estimated that the Delta Conveyance Project (DCP), if operational by April 9<sup>th</sup>, could have captured over 900,000 acre-feet of water, facilitating movement across the Delta into San Luis Reservoir.

Additionally, Ms. Pryor spotlighted a study conducted by Lawrence Livermore National Lab on Zone 7's groundwater recharge tracking in urban areas using an isotope study. Despite being the lab's initiative, funded by a federal grant, Zone 7 collaborated on the project. Ms. Pryor noted the recognition given to Zone 7 in the study report, highlighted by the inclusion of the agency's logo. She also acknowledged the invaluable contributions of staff members Jacob Danielson, Ken Minn, and Mike Garguilo to the collaboration.

### Item 18 – Adjournment

President Figuers adjourned the meeting at 9:27 p.m.



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**ORIGINATING SECTION:** Water Supply Engineering

**CONTACT:** Athena Watson/Mona Olmsted

AGENDA DATE: May 15, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Award Contracts for On-Call Water Supply Systems Engineering Support Services

#### **SUMMARY:**

- To support Zone 7 Water Agency's (Zone 7) mission to deliver a safe and reliable supply
  of high-quality water for the Tri-Valley, Zone 7 implements improvements,
  modifications, and renewal/replacement projects under the Capital Improvement
  Program (CIP). These projects are in support of Strategic Plan Initiative 3 Continue to
  effectively implement infrastructure projects in the Water System CIP.
- Zone 7 has an ongoing need for water supply systems engineering support services during design and construction for existing Zone 7 facilities and capital improvement projects. Zone 7's current contracts with Water Works Engineers, LLC, (Water Works) and Stantec Consulting Services (Stantec) for these services expire on June 30, 2024.
- In accordance with Zone 7's Purchasing Policy, a competitive procurement process was completed. A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was issued on January 19, 2024, for Engineering and Other Professional Services. 17 statements of qualifications (SOQs) were received in the water supply systems engineering support services category. The selection committee evaluated SOQ's based upon capabilities requested and criteria outlined in the RFQ and determined that Water Works and Stantec were the best qualified firms to provide the requested services.
- The previous support services expenditures during the current contract term, which
  began in July 2023, are anticipated to be approximately \$70,000 to \$85,000 for each
  contract. The proposed contract amounts are higher to account for inflation and the
  anticipated need for these services is greater given the number and type of planned
  projects. Having two firms to provide these services will allow staff to schedule work in
  the most efficient manner in consideration of consultant strengths and availability.
- Staff recommends two contracts for these services, and that the Board authorize the General Manager to negotiate, execute, and amend as needed a contract with the following:
  - 1) Water Works Engineers, LLC, or another qualified firm should negotiations with Water Works Engineers, LLC, fail, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$450,000 (\$150,000 annually) for the three-year period of Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-25 to 2026-27, with the option to amend the contract, based on satisfactory performance, for

- up to two additional one-year terms (FYs 2027-28 to 2028-29) for a total five-year not-to-exceed contract amount of \$750,000.
- 2) Stantec Consulting Services, or another qualified firm should negotiations with Stantec Consulting Services, fail, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$450,000 (\$150,000 annually) for the three-year period of Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-25 to 2026-27, with the option to amend the contract, based on satisfactory performance, for up to two additional one-year terms (FYs 2027-28 to 2028-29) for a total five-year not-to-exceed contract amount of \$750,000.

#### **FUNDING:**

Funding is included in the Proposed Two-Year Budget for FYs 2024-25 and 2025-26, and will be included in subsequent fiscal year budget requests for the following funds based on the scope of services needed: Fund 100 – Water Enterprise Operations, Fund 120 – Water Enterprise Renewal & Replacement/System-Wide Improvements, and Fund 130 – Water Enterprise Expansion.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Adopt the attached Resolutions.

#### **ATTACHMENT:**

Resolutions

## ZONE 7 ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

RESOLUTION NO.

## INTRODUCED BY SECONDED BY

# Award a Contract to Water Works for On-Call Water Supply Systems Engineering Support Services

WHEREAS, to support Zone 7's mission to deliver a safe and reliable supply of highquality water for the Tri-Valley, Zone 7 implements improvements, modifications, and renewal/replacement projects under the Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, these projects are in support of Strategic Plan Initiative 3 – Continue to effectively implement infrastructure projects in the Water System Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, Zone 7 requires water supply systems engineering support services for implementation of capital improvement projects and other related activities; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Zone 7's Purchasing Policy, a competitive procurement process was completed to select a consulting firm to provide these services; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Qualifications was issued on January 19, 2024, and 17 proposals were received; and

WHEREAS, the selection committee evaluated the statements of qualifications based upon the capabilities requested and criteria outlined in the request for qualifications and determined that Water Works Engineers, LLC, was a best qualified firm to provide the requested services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District does hereby authorize the General Manager to negotiate, execute, and amend as necessary a contract with Water Works Engineers, LLC, for on-call water supply systems engineering support services for a not-to-exceed amount of \$450,000 (\$150,000 annually) for the three-year period of Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-25 to 2026-27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager to amend the contract for on-call water supply systems engineering support services, based on satisfactory performance, for up to two additional one-year terms (FYs 2027-28 to 2028-29), for a total five-year not-to-exceed contract amount of \$750,000 (\$150,000 annually); and

to negotiate and execute agreement(s) with similarly qualified firms should the General Manager be unable to negotiate agreement(s) with the selected firm, or if, subsequent to implementing the agreement(s), the services are deemed not satisfactory by Zone 7. ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN: I certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District on May 15, 2024. President, Board of Directors

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager

## ZONE 7 ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

RESOLUTION NO.

## INTRODUCED BY SECONDED BY

# Award a Contract to Stantec for On-Call Water Supply Systems Engineering Support Services

WHEREAS, to support Zone 7's mission to deliver a safe and reliable supply of highquality water for the Tri-Valley, Zone 7 implements improvements, modifications, and renewal/replacement projects under the Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, these projects are in support of Strategic Plan Initiative 3 – Continue to effectively implement infrastructure projects in the Water System Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, Zone 7 requires water supply systems engineering support services for implementation of capital improvement projects and other related activities; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Zone 7's Purchasing Policy, a competitive procurement process was completed to select a consulting firm to provide these services; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Qualifications was issued on January 19, 2024, and 17 proposals were received; and

WHEREAS, the selection committee evaluated the statements of qualifications based upon the capabilities requested and criteria outlined in the request for qualifications and determined that Stantec Consulting Services was a best qualified firm to provide the requested services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District does hereby authorize the General Manager to negotiate, execute and amend as necessary a contract with Stantec Consulting Services Inc., for on-call water supply systems engineering support services for a not-to-exceed amount of \$450,000 (\$150,000 annually) for the three-year period of Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-25 to 2026-27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager to amend the contract for on-call materials testing and support services based on satisfactory performance, for up to two additional one-year terms (FYs 2027-28 to 2028-29), for a total five-year not-to-exceed contract amount of \$750,000 (\$150,000 annually); and

to negotiate and execute agreement(s) with similarly qualified firms should the General Manager be unable to negotiate agreement(s) with the selected firm, or if, subsequent to implementing the agreement(s), the services are deemed not satisfactory by Zone 7. ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN: I certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District on May 15, 2024. President, Board of Directors

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager



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**ORIGINATING SECTION:** Water Supply Engineering

**CONTACT:** Brandon Woods/Mona Olmsted

AGENDA DATE: May 15, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Award Contracts for On-Call Electrical Engineering Services

#### **SUMMARY:**

- To support Zone 7 Water Agency's (Zone 7) mission to deliver a safe and reliable supply
  of high-quality water for the Tri-Valley, Zone 7 implements improvements,
  modifications, and renewal/replacement projects under the Capital Improvement
  Program (CIP). These projects are in support of Strategic Plan Initiative 3 Continue to
  effectively implement infrastructure projects in the Water System CIP.
- Zone 7 has an ongoing need for electrical design, investigation, and construction support services for existing Zone 7 facilities and capital improvement projects. Zone 7's current contracts with TJC and Associates, Inc., (TJC) and Beecher Engineering, Inc., (Beecher) for these services expire on June 30, 2024.
- In accordance with Zone 7's Purchasing Policy, a competitive procurement process was completed. A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was issued on January 19, 2024, for Engineering and Other Professional Services. Nine statements of qualifications (SOQs) were received in the electrical engineering services category. The selection committee evaluated the SOQ's based upon the capabilities requested and criteria outlined in the RFQ and determined that Carollo Engineers, Inc., (Carollo) and Beecher Engineering, Inc., (Beecher) were the best qualified firms to provide the requested services.
- The previous support services expenditures have been approximately \$77,000 over the current contract term, which began in July 2020. The proposed contract amounts are higher to account for inflation and the anticipated need for these services is greater given the number and type of planned construction projects.
- Staff recommends two contracts for these services, and that the Board authorize
  the General Manager to negotiate, execute, and amend as needed a contract with the
  following:
  - Carollo Engineers, Inc., or another qualified firm should negotiations with Carollo Engineers, Inc., fail, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$150,000 (\$50,000 annually) for the three-year period of Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-25 to 2026-27, with the option to amend the contract, based on satisfactory performance, for up to two additional one-year terms (FYs 2027-28 to 2028-29) for a total five-year not-to-exceed contract amount of \$250,000.

2) Beecher Engineering, Inc., or another qualified firm should negotiations with Beecher Engineering, Inc., fail, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$150,000 (\$50,000 annually) for the three-year period of Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-25 to 2026-27, with the option to amend the contract, based on satisfactory performance, for up to two additional one-year terms (FYs 2027-28 to 2028-29) for a total five-year not-to-exceed contract amount of \$250,000.

#### **FUNDING:**

Funding is included in the Proposed Two-Year Budget for FYs 2024-25 and 2025-26, and will be included in subsequent fiscal year budget requests for the following funds based on the scope of services needed: Fund 100 – Water Enterprise Operations, Fund 120 – Water Enterprise Renewal & Replacement/System-Wide Improvements, and Fund 130 – Water Enterprise Expansion.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Adopt the attached Resolutions.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Resolutions

## ZONE 7 ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### RESOLUTION NO.

# INTRODUCED BY SECONDED BY

## Award a Contract to Carollo for On-Call Electrical Engineering Services

WHEREAS, to support Zone 7's mission to deliver a safe and reliable supply of highquality water for the Tri-Valley, Zone 7 implements improvements, modifications, and renewal/replacement projects under the Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, these projects are in support of Strategic Plan Initiative 3 – Continue to effectively implement infrastructure projects in the Water System Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, Zone 7 requires electrical engineering services for implementation of capital improvement projects and other related activities; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Zone 7's Purchasing Policy, a competitive procurement process was completed to select a consulting firm to provide these services; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Qualifications was issued on January 19, 2024, and nine statements of qualifications were received; and

WHEREAS, the selection committee evaluated the statements of qualifications based upon the capabilities requested and criteria outlined in the request for qualifications and determined that Carollo Engineers, Inc., was a best qualified firm to provide the requested services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District does hereby authorize the General Manager to negotiate, execute, and amend as necessary a contract with Carollo Engineers, Inc., for on-call electrical engineering services for a not-to-exceed amount of \$150,000 (\$50,000 annually) for the three-year period of Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-25 to 2026-27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager to amend the contract for on-call electrical engineering services, based on satisfactory performance, for up to two additional one-year terms (FYs 2027-28 to 2028-29), for a total five-year not-to-exceed contract amount of \$250,000 (\$50,000 annually); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager to negotiate and execute agreement(s) with similarly qualified firms should the General Manager be unable to negotiate agreement(s) with the selected firm, or if, subsequent to implementing the agreement(s), the services are deemed not satisfactory by Zone 7.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

I certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District on May 15, 2024.

By:
President, Board of Directors

# ZONE 7 ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### RESOLUTION NO.

## INTRODUCED BY SECONDED BY

## Award a Contract to Beecher for On-Call Electrical Engineering Services

WHEREAS, to support Zone 7's mission to deliver a safe and reliable supply of highquality water for the Tri-Valley, Zone 7 implements improvements, modifications, and renewal/replacement projects under the Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, these projects are in support of Strategic Plan Initiative 3 – Continue to effectively implement infrastructure projects in the Water System Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, Zone 7 requires services related to on-call electrical engineering services for implementation of capital improvement projects and other related activities; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Zone 7's Purchasing Policy, a competitive procurement process was completed to select a consulting firm to provide these services; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Qualifications was issued on January 19, 2024, and nine statements of qualifications were received; and

WHEREAS, the selection committee evaluated the statements of qualifications based upon the capabilities requested and criteria outlined in the request for qualifications and determined that Beecher Engineering, Inc., was a best qualified firm to provide the requested services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District does hereby authorize the General Manager to negotiate, execute, and amend as necessary a contract with Beecher Engineering, Inc., for on-call electrical engineering services for a not-to-exceed amount of \$150,000 (\$50,000 annually) for the three-year period of Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-25 to 2026-27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager to amend the contract for on-call electrical engineering services, based on satisfactory performance, for up to two additional one-year terms (FYs 2027-28 to 2028-29), for a total five-year not-to-exceed contract amount of \$250,000 (\$50,000 annually); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager to negotiate and execute agreement(s) with similarly qualified firms should the General Manager be unable to negotiate agreement(s) with the selected firm, or if, subsequent to implementing the agreement(s), the services are deemed not satisfactory by Zone 7.	
ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
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NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	
	I certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District on May 15, 2024.
	By: President, Board of Directors



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**ORIGINATING SECTION:** Water Supply Engineering

**CONTACT:** Mariza Sibal/Mona Olmsted

AGENDA DATE: May 15, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Award a Contract for On-Call Materials Testing and Support Services

#### **SUMMARY:**

- To support Zone 7 Water Agency's (Zone 7) mission to deliver a safe and reliable supply
  of high-quality water for the Tri-Valley, Zone 7 implements improvements,
  modifications, and renewal/replacement projects under the Capital Improvement
  Program (CIP). These projects are in support of Strategic Plan Initiative 3 Continue to
  effectively implement infrastructure projects in the Water System CIP.
- Zone 7 has an ongoing need for materials testing and construction inspection services for existing Zone 7 facilities and capital improvement projects. Zone 7's current contract with Geocon Consultants, Inc., (Geocon) for these services expires on June 30, 2024.
- In accordance with Zone 7's Purchasing Policy, a competitive procurement process was completed. A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was issued on January 19, 2024, for Engineering and Other Professional Services. Three statements of qualifications (SOQs) were received in the materials testing and support services category. The selection committee evaluated the SOQ's based upon the capabilities requested and criteria outlined in the RFQ and determined that Geocon was the best qualified firm to provide the requested services.
- The previous support services expenditures have been approximately \$24,000 over the current contract term, which began in July 2020. The proposed contract amount is higher to account for inflation and the anticipated need for materials testing services is greater given the number and type of planned construction projects.
- Staff recommends that the Board authorize the General Manager to negotiate, execute, and amend, as needed, a contract with Geocon Consultants, Inc., or another qualified firm should negotiations with Geocon Consultants, Inc., fail, for on-call materials testing and support services for a not-to-exceed amount of \$120,000 (\$40,000 annually) for the three-year period of Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-25 to 2026-27, with the option to amend the contract based, on satisfactory performance, for up to two additional one-year terms (FYs 2027-28 to 2028-29), for a total five-year not-to-exceed contract amount of \$200,000.

#### **FUNDING:**

Funding is included in the Proposed Two-Year Budget for FYs 2024-25 and 2025-26, and will be included in subsequent fiscal year budget requests for the following funds based on the scope of services needed: Fund 100 – Water Enterprise Operations, Fund 120 – Water Enterprise Renewal & Replacement/System-Wide Improvements, and Fund 130 – Water Enterprise Expansion.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Adopt the attached Resolution.

### **ATTACHMENT:**

Resolution

## ZONE 7 ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

RESOLUTION NO.

## INTRODUCED BY SECONDED BY

## **Award a Contract for On-Call Materials Testing and Support Services**

WHEREAS, to support Zone 7's mission to deliver a safe and reliable supply of highquality water for the Tri-Valley, Zone 7 implements improvements, modifications, and renewal/replacement projects under the Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, these projects are in support of Strategic Plan Initiative 3 – Continue to effectively implement infrastructure projects in the Water System Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, Zone 7 requires materials testing and support services for implementation of capital improvement projects and other related activities; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Zone 7's Purchasing Policy, a competitive procurement process was completed to select a consulting firm to provide these services; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Qualifications was issued on January 19, 2024, and three statements of qualifications were received; and

WHEREAS, the selection committee evaluated the statements of qualifications based upon the capabilities requested and criteria outlined in the request for qualifications and determined that Geocon Consultants, Inc., was the best qualified firm to provide the requested services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District does hereby authorize the General Manager to negotiate, execute, and amend as necessary a contract with Geocon Consultants, Inc., for on-call materials testing and support services for a not-to-exceed amount of \$120,000 (\$40,000 annually) for the three-year period of Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-25 to 2026-27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager to amend the contract for on-call materials testing and support services, based on satisfactory performance, for up to two additional one-year terms (FYs 2027-28 to 2028-29), for a total five-year not-to-exceed contract amount of \$200,000 (\$40,000 annually); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Di to negotiate and execute agreement(s) with similarly que Manager be unable to negotiate agreement(s) with the implementing the agreement(s), the services are deemed	ualified firms should the General selected firm, or if, subsequent to
ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
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NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	
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	I certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District on May 15, 2024.

By: President, Board of Directors



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**ORIGINATING SECTION:** Flood Protection Engineering/Water Supply Engineering

**CONTACT:** Edward Reyes/Mona Olmsted

AGENDA DATE: May 15, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Award Contracts for On-Call Construction Management Support Services

#### **SUMMARY:**

- To support Zone 7 Water Agency's (Zone 7) mission to deliver safe, reliable, efficient, and sustainable water and flood protection services, Zone 7 implements projects to maintain its water and flood protection systems. These projects and related activities are in support of Strategic Plan Initiative 3 Continue to effectively implement infrastructure projects in the Water System Capital Improvement Program, and Strategic Plan Initiative 9 Continue to maintain the Flood Protection System.
- Zone 7 has an ongoing need for constructability reviews and construction management support services for current and future water supply and flood protection repair projects. Zone 7's current contract with Psomas, Inc., (Psomas) for these services for the water supply system expires on June 30, 2024. Zone 7 currently does not have a contract for these services for the flood protection system and anticipates needing them to address the large number of planned flood facility repair projects. Flood Protection Engineering (FPE) and Water Supply Engineering (WSE) are seeking construction management firms with direct experience in flood protection and water supply construction projects, respectively.
- In accordance with Zone 7's Purchasing Policy, a competitive procurement process was completed. A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was issued on January 19, 2024, for Engineering and Other Professional Services. Nine statements of qualifications (SOQs) were received in the construction management support services category. The selection committee evaluated the SOQ's based upon the capabilities requested and criteria outlined in the RFQ and determined that Haley & Aldrich, Inc., (Haley & Aldrich) and Psomas were the best qualified firms to provide the requested services to FPE and WSE, respectively.
- Expenditures for the current contract term, which began in June 2021, are
  approximately \$27,000 to date. The proposed contract amount is higher than previously
  expended amounts due to anticipated greater reliance on on-call services as an
  extension of staff, increased rates from inflation, and the need for flexibility due to
  uncertainty in the timing of engineering design, construction, permit requirements, and
  other factors for work that would require construction management services.

- Staff recommends two contracts for these services, and that the Board authorize the General Manager to negotiate, execute, and amend as needed a contract with the following:
  - 1) Haley & Aldrich, Inc., or another qualified firm should negotiations with Haley & Aldrich, Inc., fail, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$150,000 (\$50,000 annually) for the three-year period of Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-25 to 2026-27, with the option to amend the contract, based on satisfactory performance, for up to two additional one-year terms (FYs 2027-28 to 2028-29) for a total five-year not-to-exceed contract amount of \$250,000.
  - 2) Psomas, Inc., or another qualified firm should negotiations with Psomas, Inc., fail, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$150,000 (\$50,000 annually) for the three-year period of Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-25 to 2026-27, with the option to amend the contract, based on satisfactory performance, for up to two additional one-year terms (FYs 2027-28 to 2028-29) for a total five-year not-to-exceed contract amount of \$250,000.

#### **FUNDING:**

Funding is included in the Proposed Two-Year Budget for FYs 2024-25 and 2025-26, and will be included in subsequent fiscal year budget requests for the following funds based on the scope of services needed: Fund 100 – Water Enterprise Operations, Fund 120 – Water Enterprise Renewal & Replacement/System-Wide Improvements, Fund 130 – Water Enterprise Expansion, and Fund 200 – Flood Protection Operations.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Adopt the attached Resolutions.

### **ATTACHMENT:**

Resolutions

# ZONE 7 ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### RESOLUTION NO.

# INTRODUCED BY SECONDED BY

# Award a Contract to Haley & Aldrich for On-Call Construction Management Support Services

WHEREAS, to support Zone 7's mission to deliver safe, reliable, efficient, and sustainable flood protection services, Zone 7 implements projects to maintain its flood protection system; and

WHEREAS, these projects and related activities are in support of Strategic Plan Initiative 9 – Continue to maintain the Flood Protection System; and

WHEREAS, Zone 7 requires construction management support services for the implementation of repairs to flood protection systems and other related activities; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Zone 7's Purchasing Policy, a competitive procurement process was completed to select a consulting firm to provide these services; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Qualifications was issued on January 19, 2024, and nine statements of qualifications were received; and

WHEREAS, the selection committee evaluated the statements of qualifications based upon the capabilities requested and criteria outlined in the request for qualifications and determined that Haley & Aldrich, Inc., was a best qualified firm to provide the requested services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District does hereby authorize the General Manager to negotiate, execute, and amend as necessary a contract with Haley & Aldrich, Inc., for on-call construction management support services for a not-to-to exceed amount of \$150,000 (\$50,000 annually) for the three-year period of Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-25 to 2026-27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager to amend the contract for on-call construction management services, based on satisfactory performance, for up to two additional one-year terms (FYs 2027-28 to 2028-29), for a total five-year not-to-exceed contract amount of \$250,000 (\$50,000 annually); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager on egotiate and execute agreement(s) with similarly qualified firms should the General Manager be unable to negotiate agreement(s) with the selected firm, or if, subsequent to implementing the agreement(s), the services are deemed not satisfactory by Zone 7.		
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ABSTAIN:		
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	By: President, Board of Directors	

# ZONE 7 ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

RESOLUTION NO.

INTRODUCED BY SECONDED BY

# Award a Contract to Psomas for On-Call Construction Management Support Services

WHEREAS, to support Zone 7's mission to deliver a safe and reliable supply of highquality water for the Tri-Valley, Zone 7 implements improvements, modifications, and renewal/replacement projects under the Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, these projects and related activities are in support of Strategic Plan Initiative 3 – Continue to effectively implement infrastructure projects in the Water System Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, Zone 7 requires construction management support services for the implementation of water system capital improvement projects and other related activities; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Zone 7's Purchasing Policy, a competitive procurement process was completed to select a consulting firm to provide these services; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Qualifications was issued on January 19, 2024, and nine statements of qualifications were received; and

WHEREAS, the selection committee evaluated the statements of qualifications based upon the capabilities requested and criteria outlined in the request for qualifications and determined that Psomas, Inc., was a best qualified firm to provide the requested services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District does hereby authorize the General Manager to negotiate, execute, and amend as necessary a contract with Psomas, Inc., for on-call construction management support services for a not-to-exceed amount of \$150,000 (\$50,000 annually) for the three-year period of Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-25 to 2026-27; and

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	By: President, Board of Directors



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**ORIGINATING SECTION:** Water Supply Engineering

**CONTACT:** Brandon Woods/Mona Olmsted

AGENDA DATE: May 15, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Award a Contract for On-Call Hydraulic Modeling Support Services

#### **SUMMARY:**

To support Zone 7 Water Agency's (Zone 7) mission to deliver a safe and reliable supply
of high-quality water for the Tri-Valley, Zone 7 implements improvements,
modifications, and renewal/replacement projects under the Capital Improvement
Program (CIP). These projects are in support of Strategic Plan Initiative 3 – Continue to
effectively implement infrastructure projects in the Water System CIP.

- Zone 7 has an ongoing need for treated water system hydraulic modeling support services to update the model to reflect the latest changes to the system, evaluate facility modifications, assess operational implications of new services or changed operations, and investigate scenarios to identify capital improvement projects. In the coming year, staff anticipates additional modeling to support retailer contract discussions. Zone 7 does not have a current contract for these services.
- In accordance with Zone 7's Purchasing Policy, a competitive procurement process was completed. A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was issued on January 19, 2024, for Engineering and Other Professional Services. Seven statements of qualifications (SOQs) were received in the hydraulic modeling support services category. The selection committee evaluated the SOQ's based upon the capabilities requested and criteria outlined in the RFQ and determined that Carollo Engineers, Inc., (Carollo) was the best qualified firm to provide the requested services.
- Staff recommends that the Board authorize the General Manager to negotiate, execute, and amend, as needed, a contract with Carollo Engineers, Inc., or another qualified firm should negotiations with Carollo Engineers, Inc., fail, for on-call hydraulic modeling support services for a not-to-exceed amount of \$175,000 (\$75,000 for the first year and \$50,000 annually for subsequent years) for the three-year period of Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-25 to 2026-27, with the option to amend the contract, based on satisfactory performance, for up to two additional one-year terms (FYs 2027-28 to 2028-29), for a total five-year not-to-exceed contract amount of \$275,000 (\$50,000 annually for years four and five).

# **FUNDING:**

Funding is included in the Proposed Two-Year Budget for FYs 2024-25 and 2025-26 and will be included in subsequent budget requests for Fund 100 – Water Enterprise Operations.

# **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Adopt the attached Resolution.

# **ATTACHMENT:**

Resolution

# ZONE 7 ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### RESOLUTION NO.

# INTRODUCED BY SECONDED BY

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### Board Report for May 2024 PALMER

# May is Water Awareness Month: ACWA

California's Water Awareness Month will kick off May 1, providing water suppliers an opportunity to highlight agency efforts, programs and investments made to continue delivering safe and affordable water to the communities they serve. This is also a great opportunity to continue asking customers to use water wisely and share information on the Making Conservation a California Way of Life Regulation that is expected to be adopted this summer.

As part of the designated month, urban and agricultural water agencies are encouraged to plan now to utilize their communication channels to educate communities and other key audiences on the essential role that water suppliers play in providing safe and reliable water services.

ACWA is encouraging member agencies to participate in Water Awareness Month through the suggested activities below. A logo and several documents and graphics are provided in an <u>ACWA toolkit</u>.

# **California Special Districts Association**

CSDA Advocacy Action Priorities Last Reaffirmed by the CSDA Legislative Committee on March1, 2024:

- Protecting Local Revenue: Preserving sources and uses of local revenue for special districts, including through ratemaking authority, property tax, and the ability to fund and maintain appropriate reserves. Ensuring special districts have equitable access, as compared to other service providers, to state and federal funding to support building and maintaining infrastructure.
- Supporting the Infrastructure and Essential Services that Communities Depend on, and
- that are Fundamental to Our Housing Needs: Ensuring special districts can effectively plan and fund the long-term infrastructure and services that are a pre-requisite for building the homes and supporting and growing the communities we need for both current and future residents.
- Enhancing, not limiting, local funding tools, including development impact fees, for growing communities.
- Funding Climate Adaptation and Resilience, and Zero Emission Vehicles Mandates:
- Confronting the threats and impacts of drought, wildfire, flooding, seawater intrusion and air pollution.

CSDA has changed its position on the following bills through CSDA's CEO, Neil McCormick:

<u>SB 1387 (Newman)</u> California Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project: vehicle eligibility from this measure is substantially similar to <u>AB 2266 (Petrie-Norris)</u>, also supported by CSDA and its local government partners.

The measure would expand the current <u>Hybrid and Zero-emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project (HVIP)</u> voucher program to defray costs of acquisition of certain Zero Emission Vehicles – to include vehicles over 8500bs for public and private entities. The measure would allow local agencies to get a voucher (currently \$7500 for a vehicle of this type) from the state for the purchase of a broader selection of Zero Emission Vehicles-- like pickup trucks. Changed from **"WATCH" to "Support 3".** 

AB 2451 (Cervantes) Prevailing Wage Determinations for Public Works Projects This measure would require the body awarding any contract for public work when determining pay rates, where the rates arise from collective bargaining agreements that have overlapping crafts or classifications, the higher rate shall prevail. This would add complexity, costs and risk attracting fewer bidders, more disputes and potentially time. Changed from "WATCH" to "OPPOSE 3"

**Anthony Tannehill** 

Legislative Representative

California Special Districts Association

# Chromium VI hearing 4/17/24

Comments to be made by Nick Blair of ACWA Staff

Below is a summary of my intended comments for the Hexavalent Chromium MCL (10 ppb) hearing on Wednesday April 17. I know a few of you are planning to attend and comment. Please touch base with me if you plan to attend (virtually or in-person) and have not yet told me you will be attending.

- ACWA appreciates the hard work of State Water Board staff and the Board through this long process
- ACWA appreciates the addition of compliance timeline[s] to add much needed flexibility for public water systems

- Some of our members still have concerns about financial constraints and supply chain issues, but they are working as expediently as possible to be in compliance with the proposed MCL
- ACWA encourages the State Water Board to continue to look at financial and technical support for water systems in disadvantaged and low income communities
- ACWA also encourages expedien[t] ongoing dialogue from the local DDW offices in working with water systems that are doing their due diligence to be in compliance, but may experience challenges as noted earlier. We have a few member agencies that will be commenting further on this.

# <u>PFAS ACWA Workgroup Questions for Darrin Polhemus (DDW) on future</u> <u>California PFAS MCLs</u>

# **from Patrick Versluis**

- It has been discussed that DDW may adopt the recently released US EPA PFAS MCLs. Is that true and what is the timeline for DDW to adopt the US EPA PFAS MCLs?
- 2. The US EPA PFAS MCLs provide a 5-year MCL compliance timeline. The extended timeline will be very important to assist water agencies in complying with new MCLs by allowing time for budgeting, designing, and constructing the required treatment facilities.
- 3. The extended deadline will also assist in extended likely impacts to ratepayers from costs to treat for PFAS. Will DDW plan to maintain the 5-year MCL compliance timeline similar to the US EPA compliance timeline?
- 4. Will the initial monitoring requirements be similar to the US EPA requirements of four (4) quarters of initial monitoring. Will DDW allow for past monitoring to meet initial monitoring requirements and how far back will DDW allow sample results to apply to the initial monitoring requirements?
- 5. Will SWRCB and DDW be requesting additional funding from the State budget or providing any additional funding resources to help water systems meet the new PFAS MCLs? Are there any current funding sources that water systems can access to assist in addressing impacts from PFAS?

**April 19 ACWA Region 5 Board Meeting (via Zoom)** 

**April 29 Tri-Valley Water Liaison meeting** 

**April 30 ACWA Paving guidelines Workgroup** 

May 1 ACWA Local Government Committee Workgroup on City and County Planning

# May 3 CSDA Legislative Committee meeting

# **ACWA Spring Conference May 7-9:**

Big takeaway from the keynote address: Wade Crowfoot and Gavin Newsom both came out with strong support for the Delta Conveyance Project

Quotes from Gavin Newsom at the ACWA Conference:

"The Delta Conveyance is climate adaptation"

"I will do everything I can to get that project permitted."

# **ACWA Region 5 Program and Tour**

Friday, September 13th

<u>Topic</u>: Pajaro Valley Tour, discussion on damage and repair from major flooding last year



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**ORIGINATING SECTION:** Administration

**CONTACT:** Valerie Pryor

AGENDA DATE: May 15, 2024

**SUBJECT:** General Manager's Report

**SUMMARY:** 

The following highlights a few of the key activities which occurred last month. Also attached is a list of the General Manager (GM) contracts executed during April.

**Engineering and Water Quality:** 

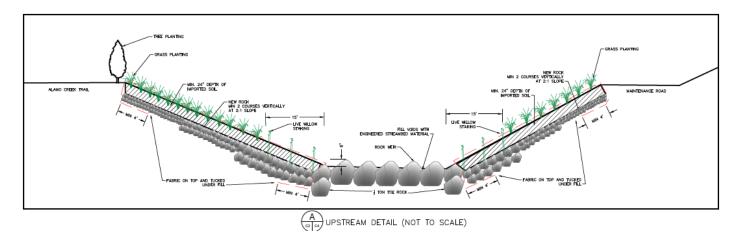
Federal Regulatory Update – Per- and Polyfluorinated Substances (PFAS): On April 10, US EPA announced the final National Primary Drinking Water Regulation (NPDWR) for six PFAS, including individual Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for PFOA and PFOS at 4 parts per trillion (ppt), individual MCL for PFHxS, PFNA, and GenX Chemicals at 10 ppt, and an MCL for a mixture of 4 PFAS (PFHxS, PFNA, GenX Chemicals, and PFBS) at no greater than a Hazard Index of 1.0 (see summary below). EPA also finalized health-based, non-enforceable Maximum Contaminant Level Goals (MCLGs) for these PFAS. Public water systems must monitor for these PFAS and have three years to complete initial monitoring (by 2027), followed by ongoing compliance monitoring. Public water systems will have five years (by 2029) to implement solutions that reduce these PFAS if monitoring shows that drinking water levels exceed these MCLs.

Though we do not have to meet these MCLs for five years, because of Zone 7's commitment to delivering a safe and reliable water supply to our customers, we have voluntarily made changes to our operations to meet the MCLs now.

On April 19, the EPA announced the final rule to designate PFOA and PFOS as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), also known as the Superfund, to help ensure that polluters pay to clean up their contamination. To limit the liability of parties (such as water utilities) that have not played a significant role in the contamination, EPA issued a separate CERCLA enforcement discretion policy to hold "responsible entities who significantly contributed to the release of PFAS into the environment, including parties that manufactured PFAS or used PFAS in the manufacturing process, federal facilities, and other industrial parties." The EPA does not intend to pursue certain entities, including publicly owned treatment works and municipal separate storm sewer

systems. The EPA will publish the final rule in the Federal Register shortly, which will be effective 60 days after the rule is published in the Federal Register.

Alamo Creek Bank Stabilization and Flood Management Pilot Project: Zone 7 and California Department of Water Resources (DWR) entered into a funding agreement to implement a Flood Protection Pilot Project as part of DWR's Floodplain Management, Protection, and Risk Awareness Program. The funding agreement provides a grant of \$4,606,890 to implement channel modules that will assist with reducing channel impacts due to high velocities in the channel. Module elements include a rock cross-vane to redirect turbulent flows away from the bank and toward the center of the channel (see image). Toe rock and embedded rock in the banks are designed to prevent scour and enhance bank stability. Live stake plantings (e.g., willow and mule fat) at the toe of the banks and planted up to approximately the 10-year water surface elevation will help to reduce velocities along the banks and prevent erosion. Zone 7 is investigating the feasibility of constructing the proposed modules to also address bank damage that occurred as a result of the 2023 storm events. Staff anticipates this project to be completed by the end of 2025.



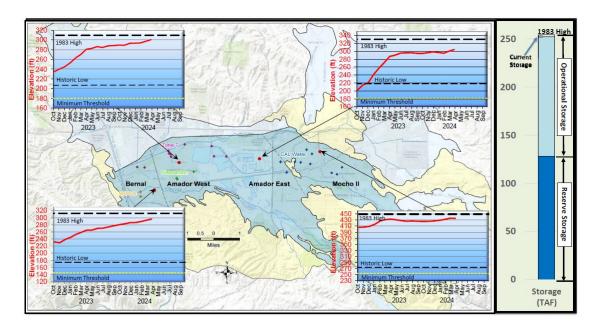
**Chain of Lakes Wells PFAS Treatment Facility Project**: The contractor continues with rebar installation of the concrete vessel system pad and installation of underground storm drain piping. Concrete pouring of the vessel system pad is anticipated in May. Vessel system installation is projected to be in June. The project is anticipated to be complete in fall 2024.

#### <u>Integrated Water Resources:</u>

On April 23, 2024, DWR announced an increase in the SWP allocation to 40%. In the announcement, DWR stated "Although water year 2024 is currently classified as an Above Normal year, the ability to move water supply south through the system this spring continues to be impacted by the presence of threatened and endangered fish species near SWP pumping facilities in the south Delta. The presence of these fish species has triggered state and federal regulations that significantly reduce the pumping from the Delta into the California Aqueduct, which limits the SWP's ability to move and store water in San Luis Reservoir. This reduced pumping is expected to continue into late spring.

Staff continues to track the demand conditions, and in April 2024, Zone 7's treated water production volume was 0.5% lower than the same time in 2023. Calendar year to date (through April 30) treated production and untreated deliveries are approximately 25% lower than the same period in 2020. April treated water supply comprised 93% surface water and 7% groundwater.

Staff completed spring semi-annual groundwater measurements this week. Water levels across the basin continue to increase except for the Mocho II subbasin (east), where water levels are relatively steady. Current groundwater levels are approaching a historic high and the total storage including the portion of the storage below SGMA's minimum threshold is approximately 252 thousand Acre-feet (98.5% of operational storage capacity).



**Water Supply and Reliability Projects:** Zone 7 is currently actively pursuing water supply and reliability projects. Key activities are as follows:

• **Delta Conveyance Project:** Zone 7 is participating in the four-year planning and permitting process and has approved funding through calendar year 2024. The environmental planning and preliminary engineering work are on schedule and on budget. The design is currently at 10% and a California Endangered Species Act Incidental Take Permit was submitted to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife on April 9. The Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority (DCA) estimates that if DCP was in operation during 2024, it would have resulted in an additional 909,000 AF capable of being moved south of the Delta from January 1- April 11. The DCA anticipates releasing an updated cost estimate in the coming months. Zone 7 representatives continue to serve on the Boards of the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority (DCA) and the Delta Conveyance Finance Authority (DCFA). Minutes for the March 8, 2024 DCA Board meeting are attached. Board packets for both the DCA and the DCFA can be found at: http://www.dcdca.org/#meetings.

- Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion (LVE). The Los Vaqueros Reservoir JPA Board
  met on April 10. The JPA Board discussed the Multi-party Agreement Amendment No. 6
  and will consider the amendment at the May JPA Board meeting. The JPA published a
  revised construction schedule that reflects the delay in receiving the California Water
  Commission (CWC) funding and the delay of near-term design activities. The new
  schedule shows that construction is expected to begin a year after the CWC funding is
  approved.
- Sites Reservoir. The Sites Reservoir Committee and Authority Board met on April 19.
  The Sites JPA provided a status update on environmental permitting efforts. The State
  Incidental Take Permits are expected to be issued in October 2024 and the Biological
  Opinions for Sites programmatic operations is expected to be issued in December 2024.
  The JPA Board discussed options for financing project construction costs and the
  impacts to participant costs.

# **Operations and Maintenance:**

Staff worked on several projects including support work for the Del Valle Water Treatment Plant (DVWTP) Ozonation post-project work, the Patterson Pass Water Treatment Plant (PPWTP) Expansion and Ozonation Project, the Mocho Groundwater Demineralization Plant Concentrate Conditioning project, the Stoneridge PFAS Treatment Facility Project phase 2 and the Chain of Lakes PFAs Treatment Facility Project. Staff is in the process of commissioning the Stoneridge Facility. Staff is reviewing proposals from Computerized Maintenance Management System (CMMS proposers).

#### <u>Administration:</u>

**FY 2024-26 Two-Year Budget:** Staff kicked-off the FY 2024-26 Two-Year Budget on January 18, 2024. The Two-Year Budget was presented to the Board on May 1, 2024, at a Special Board Meeting (Board Workshop). The budget as directed by the Board will be formally adopted by the Board at the June 11, 2024, Regular Board meeting.

# **Monthly List of GM Contracts**

# April 2024

Total April 2024	\$60,000	
Swaim Biological Inc.	\$15,000	On-Call Ecological Services, including Rattlesnake Relocation and Mitigation Planning Support
Rescue Towing	\$45,000	Towing Services As-Needed
<u>Contracts</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

#### **MINUTES**

#### **REGULAR MEETING**

# Friday, March 8, 2024 1:00 p.m.

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority (DCA) Board of Directors was called to order in person, by teleconference, and remotely - Conference Access Information: Phone Number: (669) 444-9171, Code: 84370256189#, <a href="https://dcdca-org.zoom.us/j/84370256189?from=addon">https://dcdca-org.zoom.us/j/84370256189?from=addon</a> at 1:00 pm.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Board members in attendance from the DCA Boardroom were Sarah Palmer and Gary Martin. Martin Milobar participated from Kern County Headquarters Boardroom, Miguel Luna participated from Metropolitan Water District Conference Room, Robert Cheng participated from Coachella Valley Water Admin. Conference Center, Alternate Director Dennis LaMoreaux sitting in for Adnan Anabtawi participated from Palmdale Water District Boardroom and Tony Estremera participated from Valley Water Headquarters Boardroom.

Alternate Directors in attendance remotely were Russel Lafevre, Bob Tincher and John Weed.

DCA staff members in attendance were Graham Bradner and Josh Nelson.

#### 3. CLOSED SESSION

a) PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT

(Government Code Section 54957)

Title: Executive Director

b) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

(Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency designated representatives: Robert Cheng, Tony Estremera, Gary Martin

Contractor: Executive Director

c) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2):

Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District v. DWR, Sacramento Superior Court, Case No. 24WM000006 (and related cases Nos. 24WM000008, 09, 10, 11, 12, 14, 17); South Delta Water Agency v. DWR, San Joaquin Superior Court, Case No. STK-CV-UCP-2024-0000816

#### 4. OPEN REGULAR MEETING & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 15, 2024, Regular Board Meeting

Recommendation: Approve the February 15, 2024, Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Motion to Approve Minutes from February 15, 2024, as

Noted: Estremera Second: Martin

Yeas: Palmer, Milobar, Martin, Luna, Estremera, Cheng, LaMoreaux

Nays: None Abstains: None Recusals: None Absent: None

Summary: 7 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstain; 0 Absent. (Motion passed as MO 24-02-01).

#### 6. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

#### a) Adopt Resolution Approving the Executive Director Services Agreement

Approve Resolution

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution Approving the Executive Director Services Agreement

Motion to Adopt Resolution Approving the Executive Director Services Agreement, as

Noted: Estremera Second: Martin

Yeas: Palmer, Milobar, Martin, Luna, Estremera, Cheng, LaMoreaux

Nays: None Abstains: None Recusals: None Absent: None

Summary: 7 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstain; 0 Absent. (Motion passed as Resolution 24-03).

DCA General Counsel, Josh Nelson stated that the draft resolution and agreement were not included in the packet as it was conditioned on the Board's discussion and closed session. As a result of this discussion, the Board is prepared to move forward this item to adopt a resolution to approve an agreement with Bradner Consulting LLC for Executive Director Services. A copy of the agreement and resolution is on the screen and will be posted online and physical copies are available in the Board Chambers.

President Palmer stated that DCA has reappointed Graham Bradner as the Executive Director of the DCA through a unanimous vote on March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The Board has been overly impressed by Mr. Bradner's leadership and work throughout the years. He has led a team to design a constructible project that supports water security goals. Mr. Bradner has been effective in guiding the team to find creative engineering responses to Delta Community concerns. Mr. Bradner has been selected though the public Procurement Process.

Mr. Bradner thanked the Board for their support.

No further comments or questions were received from the Board, nor were any public comment requests received.

#### 7. STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

#### a. General Counsel's Report

DCA General Counsel, Josh Nelson, informed the Board that the annual Form 700s are due by April 2, 2024.

Director Martin asked if he would be notified if the form had not been submitted.

Ms. Rodriguez stated that she would notify members of the form.

No comments or questions were received from the Board, nor were any public comment requests received.

#### b. Verbal Reports

President Palmer stated that she has attended the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Conference in Washington D.C. and represented Zone 7 and DCA. While at ACWA president Palmer connected with staff and officials. President Palmer was able to provide information to the ACWA attendees of the DCA project.

DCA Treasurer Katano Kasaine stated that it has been very critical and important to have Mr. Bradner work with their team.

Mr. Bradner stated that he appreciated Ms. Katano's comments.

President Palmer stated that there was an Ad Hoc Committee with Director Martin, Director Estremera and Director Cheng. This group worked hard and brought a great

recommendation. President Palmer also recognized Nina Hawk, Claudia Rodriguez and Mike Wuflestad for preparing everything for the board to consider.

No further comments or questions were received from the Board, nor were any public comment requests received.

#### 8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

No future agenda items requested.

#### 9. PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment requests.

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT:

President Palmer adjourned the meeting at 2:24 p.m., remotely-Conference Access Information: Phone Number: (669) 444-9171, Code: 84370256189#, <a href="https://dcdca-org.zoom.us/j/84370256189?from=addon">https://dcdca-org.zoom.us/j/84370256189?from=addon</a>



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**ORIGINATING SECTION:** Office of the General Manager

**CONTACT:** Alexandra Bradley

AGENDA DATE: May 15, 2024

**SUBJECT:** April Outreach Activities

### **SUMMARY:**

To deliver on the Agency's 2020-2024 Strategic Plan Goal F which strives to engage our stakeholders to foster mutual understanding, staff implements and oversees a multi-faceted outreach and communications program to connect with and engage stakeholders. Through an open and transparent approach, the Agency seeks to deliver effective customer-centric communications, reaching constituents where, when, and how they prefer. Effective communication builds confidence, trust, and awareness among constituents, increases participation to help with effective decision-making, and helps strengthen Zone 7's commitment to its mission and vision. This monthly staff report provides timely updates on progress towards meeting the goal of engaging our stakeholders.

# **Communications Plan Updates**

**Conservation Outreach:** Staff met with the retail partner communications committee to collaborate on promoting the water conservation rebates and educating customers on best practices for creating long-term habits of water conservation around the home and garden. The partners also discussed the quarterly performance of the Tri-Valley Public Information Program, preparation for the planned bi-annual survey, potential community presentations on water reliability challenges and solutions, sharing information on Water Awareness Month/Patterson Pass Tours, Alameda County Clean Water Program grant opportunities and upcoming retail partner events.

#### **Outreach Program Updates**

**Schools' Program:** Teachers visited 50 classrooms in April.

#### **In-Person Events:**

<u>SF Flower and Garden Show</u>, Thursday April 4 through Sunday, April 7, Alameda County Fair Grounds. Zone 7 partnered with Alameda County Clean Water Program and City of Pleasanton to host a table at this annual event in its new location. Our booth featured drought tolerant plants demonstrating three of the four gardens featured on Zone 7's Garden by Number webpage. About 500 people visited the booth, many of which engaged in topical conversations and were happy to learn about the many resources available.

<u>Tri-Valley Innovation Fair</u>, Saturday, April 13, 2024, 10:00am-5:00pm at Alameda Fairgrounds. Zone 7 Water Agency was well represented at this hands-on event with over 50 exhibitors. Our booth featured an activity in which participants guessed the names, and purpose of retired and current equipment used while caring for water. Both the activity and giveaway were well received and appreciated by over 600 attendees.

<u>City of Pleasanton Earth and Arbor Day Celebration</u>, Saturday, April 20, 10:00am-3:00pm, at the Pleasanton Library, 400 Old Bernal Avenue. Zone 7 participated in this new event with an activity where children made newspaper pots and planted sunflower seeds to take home. While the children were engaged with the activity, their adults learned about the many tools and rebates Zone 7 offers to help them save water. In total, over 200 people visited our booth.

<u>Dublin Lawn Party</u>, Saturday, April 20 8:00am-12:00pm at Emerald Glen Park. As a part of City of Dublin's Pride Volunteer week, Zone 7 partnered with city staff and StopWaste to convert a turf area at Emerald Glen Park to a drought tolerant garden. 60 participants signed up and were able to get a hands-on demonstration of sheet mulching as well as learning the benefits of converting your lawn. Zone 7 shared a booth with Dubin San Ramon Services District (DSRSD) that provided rebate information, shower buckets, water conservation giveaways, information on DSRSD's Aquahawk customer portal, and information on the upcoming Patterson Pass Water Treatment Plant public tour.

Ag & Enviro Adventure Day, Livermore High School, Tuesday, April 23, 2024, 8:00am-3:00pm. Zone 7 continued the tradition of attending this organized event for Livermore third graders. The students and their parents interacted with a movement-based activity which highlights our watershed and its connection with the community. There were over 200 attendees, and everyone was very engaged and excited to participate.

Altamont Creek, Earth Day Family Science Night, Altamont Creek Elementary School, Livermore, Tuesday, April 23, 2024, 6:00pm – 8:00pm. Zone 7's floodplain model was a big hit at their Earth Day Science Family night. Over 100 people learned more about our watershed and the connection between droughts and floods.

<u>Bringing Back the Natives Tour</u>, Sunday, May 5, 10:00am-5:00pm. Zone 7 will have a booth at a resident's home during the tour to educate visitors about native plants and lawn rebates. The booth will feature rebate information, an activity for children, and snacks for volunteers.

Quest Science Center, Saturday, May 11, 2024, 10:00-1:00, Quest Plaza at Stockmen's Park, 29 S. Livermore Ave. Zone 7 will join other local groups in a hands-on science event focused on Bubbles! Families will be invited to engage in activities exploring the properties of water.

Marylin Avenue Family Science Night, Marylin Avenue School, Livermore, Monday, May 13 from 6:00pm – 8:00pm. Zone 7 has been asked to participate in this STEM school's family science night. We look forward to engaging with Marylin Avenue students and their family members.

<u>Patterson Pass Water Treatment Plant Tours</u>, Saturday, May 18, 2024, 10:00am-2:00pm. To celebrate May as Water Awareness Month Zone 7 will offer public tours of the Patterson Pass Water Treatment Plant, featuring a 15-minute introduction to the facility and its upgrades, followed by a 45-minute guided walking tour. Guests will enjoy refreshments, snacks, and free water-related promotional items while enjoying a behind-the-scenes look at the complex world of water treatment.

Please visit <a href="https://www.zone7water.com/calendar">www.zone7water.com/calendar</a> for the most up-to-date schedule of public events.

#### **ATTACHMENT:**

General Monthly Analytics Dashboard for Zone7Water.com

### **Highlights:**

Total users

Views

5,694

**16.9%** 

16,285

New users

Engagement rate

5,348

56.62%

**1** 21.7%

Sessions

**‡** -17.5%

User engagement

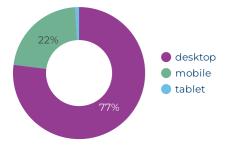
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**₽** -9.1%

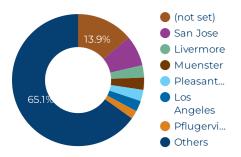
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**★** 13.8%

### **Device Type:**



### **Users by City**



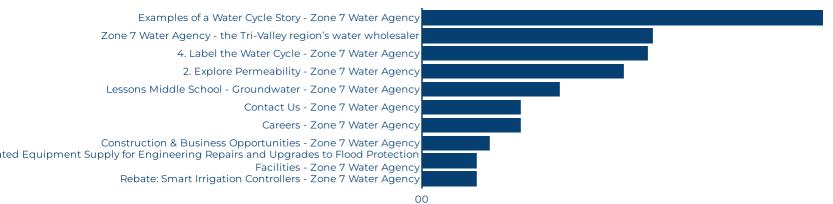
### Most visited pages on the website - users and pageviews

	Page title	Views →	Total users
1.	Zone 7 Water Agency - the Tri-Valley region's water wholesaler	2,091	1,058
2.	Examples of a Water Cycle Story - Zone 7 Water Agency	1,119	811
3.	Careers - Zone 7 Water Agency	820	517
4.	Construction & Business Opportunities - Zone 7 Water Agency	779	377
5.	2. Explore Permeability - Zone 7 Water Agency	773	323
6.	4. Label the Water Cycle - Zone 7 Water Agency	640	560
7.	Lessons Middle School - Groundwater - Zone 7 Water Agency	540	295
8.	Board Meetings - Zone 7 Water Agency	382	167
9.	Operated Equipment Supply for Engineering Repairs and Upgrades to Flood Protection Facilities - Zone 7 Water Agency	360	209
10.	Summer 2024 Internship Opportunities - Zone 7	307	187

### Acquisition source/medium - where traffic sessions come from

	Session source	Session medium	Sess	ions
1.	google	organic		4,116
2.	(direct)	(none)		3,102
3.	bing	organic		247
4.	l.facebook.com	referral		85
5.	cityofpleasantonca.gov	referral		83
6.	dsrsd.com	referral		79
7.	FB	AD		55
8.	user_password_reset	email		54
9.	wateragency.sharepoint.com	referral		50
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#### Pages with the most time spent by users





# Social Media Pages | April 2024

#### **Facebook Snapshot Analytics**

Clicks Page Followers **Total Posts** Engagement 307 1,120 153 26 Export ▼ Facebook reach (i) 49.3K ↓ 28.1% 6,000 4,000 2.000 Follows ≜ Export ▼ Facebook follows (i)  $4 \downarrow 84\%$ Apr 16 Apr 1 Apr 6 Apr 11 Apr 21 Apr 26 Export ▼ Visits Facebook visits (i) 398 ↓ 74.8% 30 Apr 16 Apr 21 Apr 11 Ad trends Export ▼ Paid impressions (i) Paid reach 🕦 8,473 \ <sub>73,2%</sub> 15,806 **↓** 81.1% 2.0K 500 Apr 3 Apr 27 20 10 Paid reach

# **Mailchimp Delivery Analytics**

Total Eblasts Sent

3

**Total Deliveries** 

2,787

Avg. Open Rate %

42%

Total Clicks

196

### **Monthly YouTube Performance**

**Total Views** 

19,793

Total Watch Time

363.5 hrs

**Impressions** 

9,527

Top Five Videos of Month



Stoneridge Well Ion Exchange PFAS Treatme... Sep 13, 2023



Tri-Valley Water Partners\_Our Water's Journey Aug 24, 2023



Patterson Pass Water Treatment Plant - Trea.... Sep 14, 2022



Stoneridge Well - Ion Exchange Vessel Install... Aug 3, 2023



Our Water's Journey Jul 25, 2023

#### **Insights & Opportunities**

#### **WEBSITE**

- Website traffic was down slightly again in April, compared to the all time high of total users we experienced in February. However, at 5,694 users, we are still experiencing higher traffic this year than our monthly average of approximately 4k per month over the past three years.
- Business opportunities posted in the RFP section of the site continued to drive traffic, along with the career section with internship posting garnering new traffic this month.
- The education program and lessons continue to be a popular area of our website with multiple school districts locally and across the country utilizing the lessons on a regular basis.

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

- April had less social media engagement, due to no major events or contests, however, we expect to see a return to major engagement with new events in May for Water Awareness Month with our annual Patterson Pass Water Treatment Plant Tours and the Spring Irrigation Plant workshop.
- Video views on YouTube performed well this month with a new concerted effort to ensure all of our video content is reaching the community with a supportive distribution strategy. The initiative is increasing engagement across the board with our top ten videos of the month receiving the following number of views, just within the month of April.
  - Stoneridge Well Facility Now Open 8,747 View
  - Tri-Valley Water Partners Our Water's Journey 3,056
  - Stoneridge Well Vessel Installation 1,836
  - Patterson Pass Water Treatment Plant Upgrades 1,691
  - Water Quality Highlights Annual Report Short 1,342
  - Tri-Valley Water Partner Our Water's Journey :60 Version 1,295
  - Wondrous World of Water Ion Exchange PFAS Treatment 820
  - \*Wondrous World of Water Ozone Treatment 445
  - Wondrous World of Water Surface Water Treatment 419
  - \*Wondrous World of Water Groundwater Recharge 50

#### **DIRECT MAIL**

- Announcements sent in April were for the board meeting reminders. The bi-monthly newsletter will return in May.

<sup>\*</sup>these two videos had organic traffic only.

# ITEM NO. 11C



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**ORIGINATING SECTION:** Office of the General Manager

**CONTACT:** Carol Mahoney/Valerie Pryor

AGENDA DATE: May 15, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Legislative Update

#### **SUMMARY:**

Zone 7 staff, with the support of Agency consultants, monitors legislation that is being considered in Sacramento, as well as other political and regulatory activities of interest. This item supports Strategic Plan, Goal F – Stakeholder Engagement, engage our stakeholders to foster understanding of their needs, the Agency, and its function. California's Assembly, Senate, and Committees began the second year of their two-year legislative cycle that is slated to end September 30, 2024 – with the Governor's signature or veto. The attached is the legislative executive summary of bills of potential interest prepared by The Gualco Group, Inc., with supplemental information on other organization's positions provided by Zone 7 staff.

Included in the attached summary are bill positions taken by other organizations, if known, like the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA), California Special Districts Association (CSDA), California Municipal Utilities Association (CMUA) and the State Water Contractors (SWC). Some other organizations use a priority ranking number after their position where a rank of "3" is the lowest priority and a "1" is the highest priority in the position category. For brevity, "O/A" indicates oppose unless amended and "W/A" indicates watch and amend. Additionally, if staff or our consultant have provided educational information on specific bills to outside organizations or legislator's offices, this will be noted in the summary.

#### **FUNDING:**

N/A

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Information only.

#### ATTACHMENT:

Legislative Executive Summary – for May 2024



# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY State Legislation**



# Prepared for the Zone 7 Water Agency by The Gualco Group, Inc.

Bill	Topic	Synopsis	Staff Recommended Position/Others	Status of the Bill/Comments as of 05/03/2024
BROWN ACT LEG	SISLATION			
AB 817 (Pacheco)	Open meetings: teleconferencing: subsidiary body	This bill, until January 1, 2026, would authorize a subsidiary body, as defined, to use similar alternative teleconferencing provisions and would impose requirements for notice, agenda, and public participation, as prescribed. In order to use teleconferencing pursuant to this act, the bill would require the legislative body that established the subsidiary body by charter, ordinance, resolution, or other formal action to make specified findings by majority vote, before the subsidiary body uses teleconferencing for the first time and every 12 months thereafter.	Watch Others: ACWA = Favor CMUA = Support CSDA = Support3	Senate Committee on Local Government

<u>AB 2302</u> ( <u>Addis</u> )	Open meetings: local agencies: teleconferences	Current law imposes prescribed restrictions on remote participation by a member under alternative teleconferencing provisions, including establishing limits on the number of meetings a member may participate in solely by teleconference from a remote location, prohibiting such participation for a period of more than 3 consecutive months or 20% of the regular meetings for the local agency within a calendar year, or more than 2 meetings if the legislative body regularly meets fewer than 10 times per calendar year. This bill would revise those limits, instead prohibiting such participation for more than a specified number of meetings per year, based on how frequently the legislative body regularly meets.	Watch Others: ACWA = Favor CMUA = Favor CSDA = Support3	Set for hearing 05/06/2024 Assembly Floor
SB 537 (Becker)	Open meetings: multijurisdictional, cross-county agencies: teleconferences	The bill would authorize the legislative body of a multijurisdictional, cross-county agency, as specified, to use alternate teleconferencing provisions if the eligible legislative body has adopted an authorizing resolution, as specified. The bill would also require the legislative body to provide a record of attendance of the members of the legislative body, the number of community members in attendance in the teleconference meeting, and the number of public comments on its internet website within 10 days after a teleconference meeting, as specified. The bill would require at least a quorum of members of the legislative body to participate from one or more physical locations that are open to the public and within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction.	Watch Others: CSDA = Watch	Assembly Floor – Inactive File
GENERAL				
AB 1211 (Mathis)	Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund: internet website information: updates	Current law requires the State Water Resources Control Board, at least once every 2 years, to post information on its internet website regarding implementation of the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Law and expenditures from the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, as specified This bill would require the board to post the information at least annually.	Watch Others: CMUA = Watch SWC = Watch2	Senate Committee on Environmental Quality

AB 1820 (Schiavo) Housing development projects: fees and exactions

Current law requires a housing development project be subject only to the ordinances, policies, and standards adopted and in effect when the preliminary application was submitted. This bill would authorize a development proponent that submits a preliminary application for a housing development project to request a preliminary fee and exaction estimate, as defined, and would require the local agency to provide the estimate within 10 business days of the submission of the preliminary application.

Watch

Assembly Committee on Appropriations

Others:

ACWA = Watch CMUA = O/A CSDA = Oppose3 SWC = Watch2 Appropriation

AB 1828 (Waldron)

Personal income
taxes: voluntary
contributions:
Endangered and Rare
Fish, Wildlife, and
Plant Species
Conservation and
Enhancement
Account: Native
California Wildlife
Rehabilitation
Voluntary Tax
Contribution Fund:
covered grants

Current law, until January 1, 2025, allows an individual taxpayer to contribute amounts in excess of the taxpayer's personal income tax liability for the support of specified funds and accounts, including, among others, to the Endangered and Rare Fish, Wildlife, and Plant Species Conservation and Enhancement Account, a continuously appropriated account established in the Fish and Game Preservation Fund, or until December 1 of a calendar year that the Franchise Tax Board determines the amount of contributions estimated to be received will not at least equal the minimum contribution amount of \$250,000. This bill would extend the operability of the taxpayer contribution described above until the sooner of January 1, 2032, or until December 1 of a calendar year that the Franchise Tax Board determines the amount of contributions estimated to be received will not at least equal the minimum contribution amount of \$250,000.

Watch

Others:

None

Committee on Revenue & Taxation

Senate

**AB 1957** (Wilson)

Public contracts: best value construction contracting for counties

Current law also authorizes certain counties (including Alameda) to use a best value construction contracting method to award individual annual contracts, not to exceed \$3,000,000, for repair, remodeling, or other repetitive work to be done according to unit prices, as specified. Current law establishes procedures and criteria for the selection of a best value contractor and requires that bidders verify specified information under oath. Current law requires the board of supervisors of a participating county to submit a report that contains specified information about the projects awarded using the best value procedures described above to the appropriate policy committees of the Legislature and the Joint Legislative Budget Committee before March 1, 2024. Current law repeals the pilot program provisions on January 1, 2025. This bill would instead authorize any county of the state to utilize this program and would extend the operation of those provisions until January 1,

Watch

Others: CSDA = Watch Set for hearing 05/06/2024 Assembly Floor – Consent Calendar

AB 2285 (Rendon)

Natural resources: equitable outdoor access: 30x30 goal: urban nature-based projects 2030.

This bill would provide that, to advance and promote environmental, conservation, and public access policies and budget actions, the Governor's office, state agencies, and the Legislature, when distributing resources, shall aspire to recognize the coequal goals and benefits of the 30x30 goal and Outdoors for All, and, to the extent practical, maximize investment in urban communities consistent with those initiatives. The bill would encourage decisionmakers, when distributing resources to achieve the goals and benefits of the 30x30 goal and Outdoors for All, to consider factors that are unique to urban settings, including, among other things, higher land value acquisition and development costs per acre, the acute health needs of a local population due to historic lack of greenspace access and development externalities, local park needs assessment plans, and the availability of mobility options near a proposed land conservation site.

Watch

Others: SWC = Watch1 Assembly Committee on Appropriations

AB 2320 (Irwin)	Wildlife Connectivity and Climate Adaptation Act of 2024: wildlife corridors	This bill, the Wildlife Connectivity and Climate Adaptation Act of 2024, would require the Natural Resources Agency, as part of an annual report, to identify key wildlife corridors, as defined, in the state, connections between large blocks of natural areas and habitats, progress on protecting additional acres of wildlife corridors, and goals for wildlife corridor protection in the next 5 years, as provided.	Watch Others: SWC = Watch2	Assembly Committee on Appropriations
AB 2409 (Papan)	Office of Planning and Research: permitting accountability transparency dashboard	Would require the Office of Planning and Research, on or before January 1, 2026, to create and maintain, as specified, a permitting accountability transparency internet website (dashboard). The bill would require the dashboard to include a display for each permit to be issued by specified state agencies for all covered projects. The bill would define various terms for these purposes. The bill would also require the dashboard to include, but not be limited to, information for each permit to be issued by a state agency that is required for the completion of the project, including, among other requirements, the permit application submission date. The bill would require each state agency with a responsibility for issuing a permit for a covered project to provide information in the appropriate time and manner as determined by the office.	Watch  Others: ACWA = Favor CMUA = Sponsor CSDA = Support3 SWC = Watch1	Assembly Committee on Appropriations
AB 2561 (McKinnor)	Local public employees: vacant positions	Would require each public agency with bargaining unit vacancy rates exceeding 10% for more than 90 days within the past 180 days to meet and confer with a representative of the recognized employee organization to produce, publish, and implement a plan consisting of specified components to fill all vacant positions within the subsequent 180 days. The bill would require the public agency to present this plan during a public hearing to the governing legislative body and to publish the plan on its internet website for public review for at least one year.	Watch Others: CMUA = Oppose CSDA = Oppose2	Assembly Committee on Appropriations

SB 903 (Skinner)	Environmental health: product safety: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances	Would, beginning January 1, 2032, prohibit a person from distributing, selling, or offering for sale a product that contains intentionally added PFAS, as defined, unless the Department of Toxic Substances Control has made a determination that the use of PFAS in the product is a currently unavoidable use, the prohibition is preempted by federal law, or the product is previously used. The bill would specify the criteria and procedures for determining whether the use of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances ("PFAS") in a product is a currently unavoidable use, for renewing that determination, and for revoking that determination.	Watch  Others:  ACWA = Favor  CMUA = Support  CSDA = Watch	Senate Committee on Appropriations
SB 1072 (Padilla)	Local government: Proposition 218: remedies	Would require a local agency, if a court determines that a fee or charge for a property-related service, as specified, violates the above-described provisions of the California Constitution relating to fees and charges, to credit the amount of the fee or charge attributable to the violation against the amount of the revenues required to provide the property-related service, unless a refund is explicitly provided for by statute.	Watch  Others: ACWA = Favor CMUA = Support CSDA = Support3 SWC = Watch2	Set for hearing 05/06/2024 Senate Floor
AB 305 (Villapudua)	California Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024	General Obligation Bond - \$4,500,000,000	Watch	Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Water
AB 1567 (Garcia)	Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2024	General Obligation Bond - \$15,995,000,000	Watch	Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Water

SB 638 (Eggman)	Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024	General Obligation Bond - \$6,000,000,000	Watch	Assembly Committee on Water, Parks, & Wildlife
SB 867 (Allen)	Drought, Flood, and Water Resilience, Wildfire and Forest Resilience, Coastal Resilience, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Biodiversity and Nature-Based Climate Solutions, Climate Smart Agriculture, Park Creation and Outdoor Access, and Clean Energy Bond Act of 2024	General Obligation Bond – \$15,500,000,000	Watch	Assembly Committee on Natural Resources
UTILITY MANAG	GEMENT			
SB 937 (Wiener)	Development projects: permits and other entitlements: fees and charges	This bill would extend by 24 months the period for the expiration, effectuation, or utilization of a housing entitlement, entitlement for a priority residential development project, as those terms are defined, that was issued before January 1, 2024, and that will expire before December 31, 2025, except as specified. The bill would toll this 24-month extension during any time that the housing entitlement is the subject of a legal challenge. The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide	Watch  Others: ACWA = Watch CMUA = O/A CSDA = O/A2 SWC = Watch2	Set for hearing 05/06/2024 Senate Floor

concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore,

apply to all cities, including charter cities.

<b>SB 1210</b>
(Skinner)

New housing construction: electrical, gas, sewer, and water service: service connection information

This bill would, for new housing construction, require the above-described utilities, on or before January 1, 2026, to publicly post on their internet websites (1) the schedule of fees for a service connection, capacity, or other point of connection charge for each housing development type, including, but not limited to, accessory dwelling unit, mixed-use, multifamily, and single-family developments, except as specified, and (2) the estimated timeframes for completing typical service connections needed for each housing development type, as specified. The bill would exempt from its provisions an independent special district that does not maintain an internet website due to a hardship, as provided.

Watch and Educate

Others:

ACWA = OpposeCMUA = OpposeCSDA = Oppose2

Senate Committee on **Appropriations** 

### **WATER RIGHTS**

**AB 460** (Bauer-Kahan) **State Water Resources Control Board: water rights** and usage: interim relief: procedures

**State Water** 

planning

**Resources Control** 

**Board: drought** 

Authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board in conducting specified investigations or proceedings to inspect the property or facilities of a person or entity, as specified. The bill would authorize the board, if consent is denied for an inspection, to obtain an inspection warrant, as specified, or in the event of an emergency affecting public health and safety, to conduct an inspection without consent or a warrant.

Would require the State Water Resources Control Board, in consultation with the Department of Fish and Wildlife, to adopt principles and guidelines for diversion and use of water in coastal watersheds, as specified, during times of water shortage for drought preparedness and climate resiliency. The bill would require that the principles and guidelines allow for the development of locally generated watershed-level plans to support public trust uses, public health and safety, and the human right to water in times of water shortage, among other things.

Watch

Others: ACWA = Oppose

CMUA = OpposeCSDA = WatchSWC = Oppose1

Senate Committee on

Natural Resources and Water

Held at Senate

Others:

Watch

CMUA = WatchCSDA = WatchSWC = Watch1 Desk

**AB 1272** (Wood)

<b>AB</b>	<b>1563</b>
(Be	nnett)

Groundwater sustainability agency: groundwater extraction permit: verification

Current law authorizes a groundwater sustainability agency to request of the county, and requires a county to consider, that the county forward permit requests for the construction of new groundwater wells, the enlarging of existing groundwater wells, and the reactivation of abandoned groundwater wells to the agency before permit approval. This bill would instead require a county to forward permit requests for the construction of new groundwater wells, the enlarging of existing groundwater wells, and the reactivation of abandoned groundwater wells to the groundwater sustainability agency before permit approval.

#### Watch

Senate Committee on

Others:

ACWA = OpposeCMUA = Watch

CSDA = WatchSWC = Watch1 Governance and

**Finance** 

#### **WATER SUPPLY**

#### **AB 1573** (Friedman)

Water conservation: landscape design: model ordinance

Requires updated model ordinance to include provisions that require that plants included in a landscape design plan be selected based on their adaptability to climatic, geological, and topographical conditions of the project site, as specified. The bill would also exempt landscaping that is part of a culturally specific project, as defined, ecological restoration projects that do not require a permanent irrigation system, mined-land reclamation projects that do not require a permanent irrigation system, and existing plant collections, as part of botanical gardens and arboretums open to the public, from the model ordinance.

#### Not Favor

Senate Floor

Others:

ACWA = WatchCMUA = Neutral CSDA = Neutral SWC = Watch2

### **AB 1827** (Papan)

**Local government:** fees and charges: water: higherconsumptive water parcels

This bill would provide that the fees or charges for property-related water service imposed or increased, as specified, may include the incrementally higher costs of water service due to specified factors, including the higher water usage demand of parcels. The bill would provide that the incrementally higher costs of water service associated with higher water usage demands, the maximum potential water use, or projected peak water usage may be allocated using any method that reasonably assesses the water service provider's cost of serving those parcels that are increasing potential water usage demand, maximum potential water use, or projected peak water usage.

#### Watch

Set for hearing 05/06/2024 Senate Floor

Others:

ACWA = Support CMUA = Support CSDA = Support3 SWC = Watch2

AB 2257 (Wilson)	Local government: property-related water and sewer fees and assessments: remedies	This bill would prohibit, if a local agency complies with specified procedures, a person or entity from bringing a judicial action or proceeding alleging noncompliance with the constitutional provisions for any new, increased, or extended fee or assessment, as defined, unless that person or entity has timely submitted to the local agency a written objection to that fee or assessment that specifies the grounds for alleging noncompliance, as specified. This bill would provide that local agency responses to the timely submitted written objections shall go to the weight of the evidence supporting the agency's compliance with the substantive limitations on fees and assessments imposed by the constitutional provisions.	Watch  Others: ACWA = Sponsor CMUA = Support CSDA = Support3 SWC = Watch2	Set for hearing 05/06/2024 Assembly Floor
SB 366 (Caballero)	The California Water Plan: long-term supply targets	Would revise and recast certain provisions regarding The California Water Plan to, among other things, require the department to instead establish a stakeholder advisory committee and to expand the membership of the committee to include tribes, labor, and environmental justice interests. The bill would require the department to coordinate with the California Water Commission, the State Water Resources Control Board, other state and federal agencies as appropriate, and the stakeholder advisory committee to develop a comprehensive plan for addressing the state's water needs and meeting specified long-term water supply targets established by the bill for purposes of The California Water Plan. The bill would require the plan to provide recommendations and strategies to ensure enough water supply for all designated beneficial uses.	Watch  Others: ACWA = Support CMUA = Sponsor CSDA = Support3 SWC = Support1	Assembly Committee on Water, Parks, and Wildlife
SB 1110 (Ashby)	Urban retail water suppliers: informational order: conservation order	Current law authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board, on and after January 1, 2024, to issue informational orders pertaining to water production, water use, and water conservation to an urban retail water supplier that does not meet its urban water use objective, as provided. This bill would instead authorize the board to issue the informational orders on and after	Watch  Others:  ACWA = Favor  CMUA = Support  CSDA = Watch  SWC = Watch2	Set for hearing 05/13/2024 Senate Committee on Appropriations

January 1, 2026.

SB 1255 (Durazo)	Public water systems: needs analysis	This bill would require the State Water Resources Control Board to update a needs analysis of the state's public water systems to include an assessment, as specified, of the funds necessary to provide a 20% discount for low-income households served by community water systems with fewer than 3,000 service connections and for community water systems with fewer than 3,000 service connections to meet a specified affordability threshold on or before July 1, 2026, and on or before July 1 of every 3 years thereafter.	Watch  Others:  ACWA = W/A  CMUA = Watch  CSDA = Watch  SWC = Watch1	Senate Committee on Appropriations
SGMA				
AB 828 (Connolly)	Sustainable groundwater management: managed wetlands	The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act requires all groundwater basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins by the Department of Water Resources to be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans, except as specified. Current law defines various terms for purposes of the act. This bill would add various defined terms for purposes of the act, including the terms "managed wetland" and "small community water system."	Watch  Others: ACWA = Oppose CMUA = Not Favor CSDA = Watch SWC = Watch2	Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Water
AB 2079 (Bennett)	Groundwater extraction: large- diameter, high- capacity wells: permits	This bill would require a local enforcement agency, as defined, to perform specified activities at least 30 days before determining whether to approve a permit for a new large-diameter, high-capacity well, as defined. The bill would require, if the proposed large-diameter, high-capacity well is to be located in an area subject to management by a groundwater sustainability agency, the applicable groundwater sustainability agency, upon notice of a permit application, to provide specified information to the local enforcement agency, including, but not limited to, the name of the applicable groundwater sustainability agency, the agency manager and contact information, and the applicable sustainable management criteria related to groundwater levels, including the groundwater level measurable objectives and minimum thresholds.	Watch Others: ACWA = O/A CSDA = Watch SWC = Watch1	Set for hearing 05/08/2024 Assembly Committee on Appropriations

SB 1156 (Hurtado) Groundwater sustainability agencies: financial disclosures This bill would require members of the executive team, board of directors, and other groundwater management decision makers of groundwater sustainability agencies to file statements of economic interests. The bill would require that these statements be filed with the Fair Political Practices Commission, and would require the commission to establish guidelines and procedures for the submission and review of the statements.

Watch

Others: ACWA = W/A CSDA = Watch SWC = Watch1 Senate Committee on Appropriations



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**ORIGINATING SECTION:** Integrated Planning

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AGENDA DATE: May 15, 2024

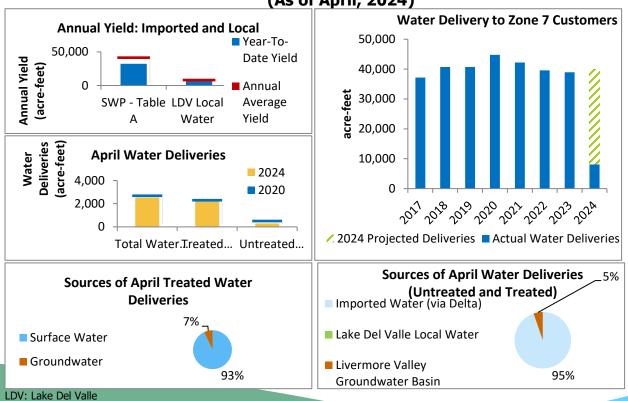
**SUBJECT:** Monthly Water Inventory and Water Budget Update

#### **SUMMARY:**

To support the Mission to deliver safe, reliable, efficient, and sustainable water, Zone 7 Water Agency (Zone 7) has been managing water supplies. This report summarizes current water supply, usage, and storage conditions to support Strategic Plan Goal A – Reliable Water Supply and Infrastructure and is to implement Strategic Plan Initiative #2 – Evaluate and develop appropriate new water supply and reliability opportunities.

An overall analysis of the annual water supply was included in the 2024 Annual Sustainability Report prepared in April. A summary of Long-term water supply planning is also included in the Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP), which is updated every five years and assesses water supply reliability for a 20-year time horizon. The next update of UWMP is due on July 1, 2026. These plans and evaluations consider the various sources of supply and storage available to Zone 7 locally, in State Water Project (SWP) facilities, and in Kern County storage and recovery programs.

Summaries of 2024 Water Supplies, Deliveries, and Available Water (As of April, 2024)



### **ZONE 7 WATER INVENTORY AND WATER BUDGET (April 2024)**

### **Supply and Demand**

(See Table 2, Table 3, Figure 1, Figure 2, Figure 3, and Figure 4)

- Monthly totals: 2,530 acre-feet (AF) delivered to customers (2,230 AF treated production and 300 AF untreated deliveries) and 500 AF to recharge.
- Total treated water production increased by 16% compared to last month.
- Treated water sources were 93% surface water and 7% groundwater this month.
  - o Treatment plant production was 22.5 million gallons per day (MGD).
  - Wellfield production was 1.7 MGD.

## Comparison of Demands: 2024 vs 2020 baseline

(See Table 1)

 In April 2024, Zone 7's overall water demands were 15% less compared to the same time in 2020: treated water production was 13% less, and estimated untreated deliveries were 23% less than April 2020.

**Table 1: April 2024 comparison – Treated and Untreated Demands** 

	Treated	Untreated	Total
	Production	Delivery	
April 2024 (AF)	2,230	300	2,530
April 2020 (AF)	2,570	390	2,960
April 2024 vs April 2020	13% less	23% less	15% less

## **Imported Water**

(See Table 2 and Table 3)

On April 23, 2024, DWR increased the State Water Project allocation from 30% to 40%.
This is the third revision of the year and up from the initial allocation of 10%. DWR also noted that the ability to move water supply south through the system continues to be impacted by the presence of threatened and endangered fish species in the Delta, and it may revise the allocation if hydrologic conditions change.

Table 2: Available Water Supplies for 2024 (as of May 1, 2024)

Sources of Water Supplies	Acre-Feet (AF)
Table A (Based on 40% allocation)	32,250
Water Transfers/ Exchanges	0
SWP Carryover + Backed Up Water (Preliminary Estimate)	17,980
Lake Del Valle (Carryover + 2024 Yield)	13,260
Livermore Valley Groundwater Basin (Above Minimum Thresholds AF)	124,100
Kern Storage and Recovery Programs	95,600
Total	283,190

#### **Groundwater**

- The Livermore Valley Groundwater Basin comprises four subbasins. The Basin's estimated
  maximum storage capacity is 254,000 AF including the storage capacity below the
  Minimum Thresholds established in the Alternative Groundwater Sustainability Plan. The
  estimated storage capacity above the Minimum Thresholds (operational storage) is
  126,000 AF. Currently, the Basin is at approximately 99% of its storage capacity above
  minimum thresholds (124,100AF out of 126,000 AF).
- It is important to note that not all of the storage above the Minimum Thresholds (MT's) is accessible with Zone 7's existing wells as 80% of Zone 7's groundwater facilities are in the Amador West subbasin. Furthermore, the presence of Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) compounds in the groundwater basin limits the use of some wells.
- In April, the total pumping from Zone 7 wellfield was 160 AF, making up 7% of the treated supply.
- Estimated groundwater basin overflow on the west side of the Basin is 0 AF in April.
- In April, Zone 7 recharged approximately 500 AF through releases into Arroyo Mocho.

#### **Local Surface Water**

(See Table 3 and Figure 6)

- Zone 7's (preliminary) water storage in Lake Del Valle at the end of April is approximately 13,260 AF.
  - Zone 7 captured approximately 1,000 AF in Lake Del Valle in April.

Stream Outflow (See Table 3)

• Surface runoff exceeded the 10 cubic feet per second (CFS) baseflow at the Arroyo de la Laguna at the Verona stream gauge for the entire month of April, resulting in a stream outflow of 2,510 AF.

Note: some surface flows out of the Livermore-Amador Valley are mandated for other downstream purposes.

## **Local Precipitation**

(See Figure 7)

- 1.36 inches of precipitation were recorded at Livermore Airport in April.
- Thus far in Water Year 2024, Livermore has received 14.32 inches of rain, or 105% of the average for the Water Year to Date.

## **Sierra Precipitation**

(See Figure 8)

- 2.0 inches of precipitation were recorded in the Northern Sierras in April. The historical average precipitation in April is 4.3 inches.
- Cumulative precipitation in the Northern Sierra for Water Year 2024 is 45.0 inches or 92% of the seasonal average to date.

Sierra Snowpack (See Figure 9)

snow water equivalent.

Snowpack in the Northern Sierras is 111% of the average for April 30 at 24.2 inches of

Lake Oroville (See Figure 10)

- Lake Oroville was at 98% of total capacity (126% of average) as of April 30.
  - Storage: 3,460,888 AF
  - Storage as a percentage of total capacity increased by 10% over the month of April.

San Luis Reservoir (See Figure 11)

 San Luis Reservoir is a joint-use facility between the State Water Project and the Central Valley Project. Its total storage capacity is 2,027,835 AF, and the SWP's share of that capacity is 1,062,180 AF. As of April 30, the total reservoir storage is 1,429,79 AF, of which approximately 539,000 AF belongs to SWP. Currently, the SWP's share of the reservoir capacity is 51% full.

NOTE: Numbers presented are estimated and subject to refinement over the course of the year.

## **Table 3: Quarterly Water Inventory**

Water Inventory for Zone 7 Water Agency

Note: Values are rounded. All units in AF unless noted otherwise. Subject to adjustment over the year.

Note. Values are founded. All dilits in AF diliess noted otherwise	2023	2024 - Q1		
	Jan-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jan-Dec
Source			, ipi vaii	Jun Dec
Incoming Supplies				
State Water Poject (SWP) - Table A	55,530	0	0	0
State Water Project - Article 21	2,360	0	0	0
Lake Del Valle Local Water	4,310	1,000	0	1,000
Water Transfers/Exchanges <sup>1</sup>	0	0	0	_,;;;
Subtotal	62 <b>,200</b>	<b>1,000</b>	_	<b>1,000</b>
From Storage	02,200	1,000		1,000
State Water Project - Carryover	1,630	4,250	2,870	7,120
Livermore Valley Groundwater Basin	1,670	840		1,000
Kern Storage and Recovery Programs	1,070	0	0	1,000
Subtotal	3,300	5,090	ŭ	8 <b>,120</b>
Total Supply	65,500	6,090	3,030	9,120
Water Use	03,300	0,030	3,030	3,120
Customer Deliveries				
Treated Water Demand <sup>2</sup>	34,030	5,480	2,230	7,710
Untreated Water Demand	4,870	110		410
Subtotal	38,900	5,590		8,120
To Storage	38,300	3,330	2,330	0,120
Livermore Valley Groundwater Basin Recharge	8,600	500	500	1,000
Kern Storage and Recovery Programs	10,000	0	0	1,000
Subtotal	18,600	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>	1,000
SWP Transfer	18,000	300	300	1,000
Westside 5 (Kern) <sup>1</sup>	8,000			
Total Water Use	65,500	6,090	3,030	9,120
Available Water Supplies	05,500	5,050	5,555	3,220
Incoming Supplies	End-of-2023			
SWP - Table A (%)	100%	30%	40%	40%
SWP - Table A Remaining	0	24,190	32,250	32,250
Water Transfers/Exchanges	0	0	0	0
Subtotal	0	24,190	32,250	32,250
Storage Balance	End-of-2023	,	, , , ,	
SWP Carryover + Backed Up Water <sup>3</sup>	25,100	20,850	17,980	17,980
Lake Del Valle Local Water	5,000	12,260	-	
Livermore Valley Groundwater Basin <sup>4</sup>	118,600	122,700		124,100
Kern Storage and Recovery Programs	95,600	95,600	-	95,600
Subtotal	244,300	251,410		250,940
Total Available Water	244,300	275,600		283,190
Watershed Conditions	End-of-2023	273,000	203,130	203,130
Precipitation at Livermore Station (in)	19.2	9.77	1.36	11.13
Lake Del Valle Local Water Net Yield	7,010	8,260		9,260
Measured Change in Groundwater Basin Storage	27,900	4,100		
Surface Water Outflow <sup>5</sup>	166,810	33,890	2,510	36,400

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$  In 2023, Zone 7 executed a transfer agreement with the Westside Districts

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Includes a small amount of unaccounted-for water.

 $<sup>^3\,</sup>Backed\,Up\,Water\,is\,recovered\,water\,from\,Kern\,Storage\,and\,Recovery\,Programs\,that\,is\,moved\,to\,San\,Luis\,Reservoir\,for\,storage.$ 

 $<sup>^4</sup>$  Storage volume is based on most recent groundwater level data; amount shown excludes 128,000 AF of emergency storage.

 $<sup>^{5}</sup>$  Surface Water Outflow is estimated based on flow at USGS gage Arroyo De La Laguna at Verona.

Figure 1: Monthly Treated Water Production in Acre-Feet (AF)

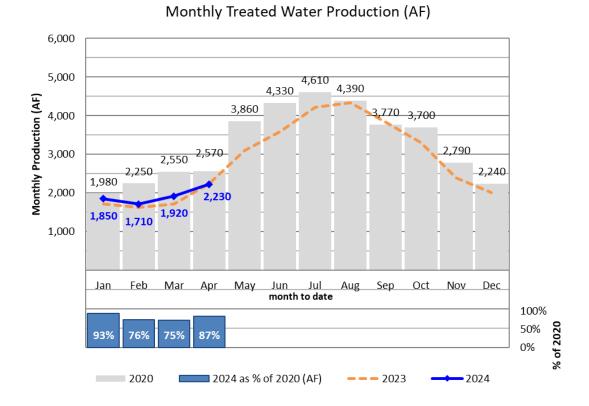
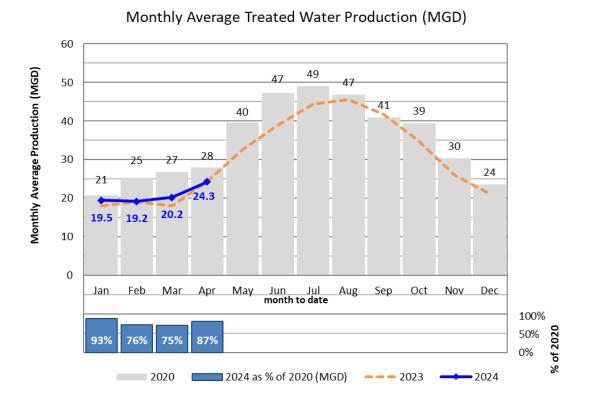
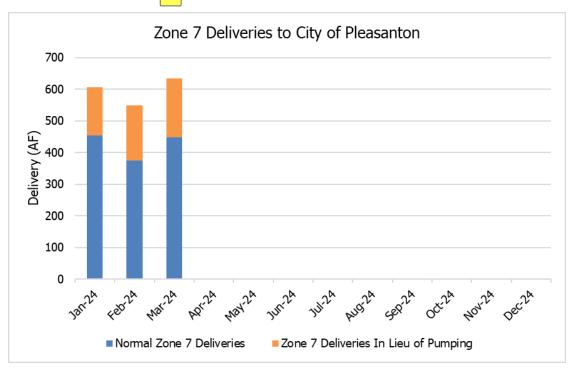


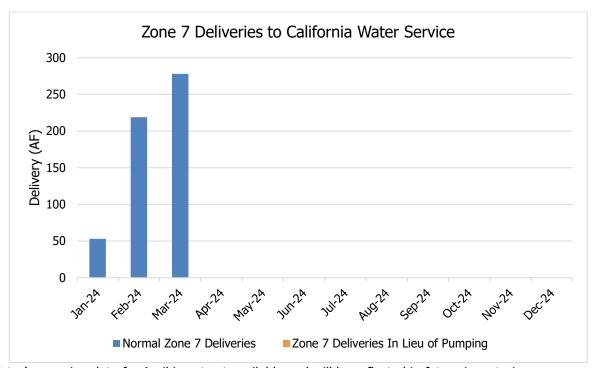
Figure 2: Monthly Treated Water Production in Average Million Gallons Per Day (MGD)





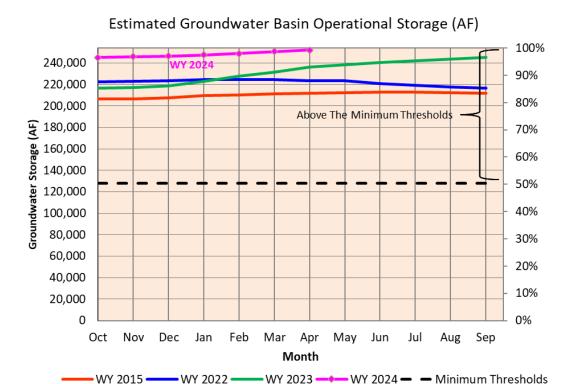
<sup>\*</sup>Pleasanton's pumping data for April is not yet available and will be reflected in future inventories.

Figure 3: California Water Service Estimated In-Lieu Demand (Based on 2018-2021 Pumping)



<sup>\*</sup>Cal Water's pumping data for April is not yet available and will be reflected in future inventories.

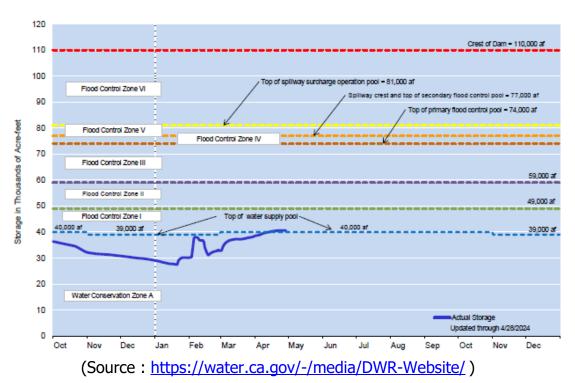
Figure 4: Livermore Valley Groundwater Basin Storage\*



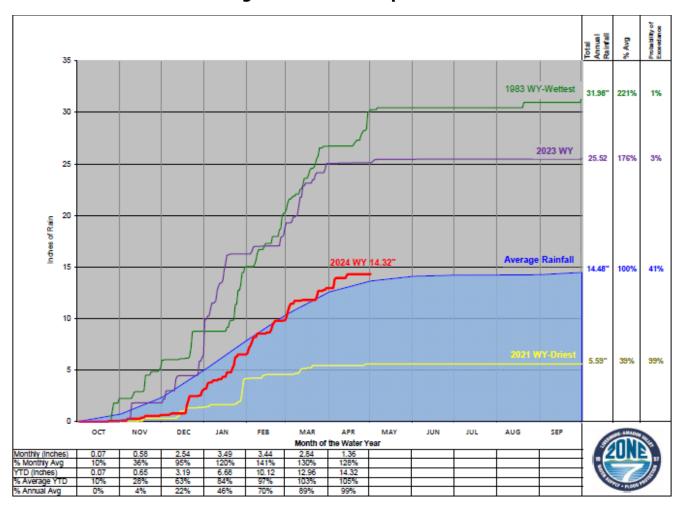
\*The estimated groundwater basin storage represents the combined total storage from all four subbasins.

Figure 5: Lake Del Valle Storage

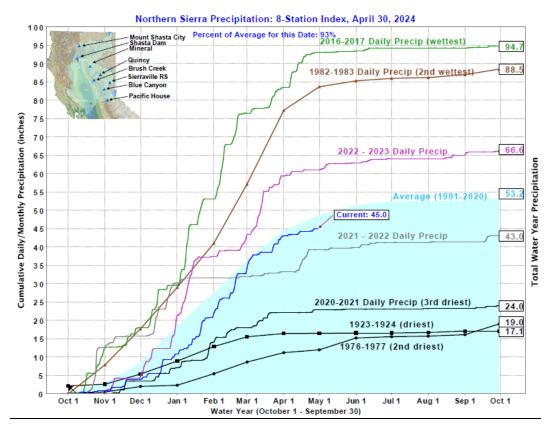
Lake Del Valle Storage October 1, 2023 to December 31, 2024



**Figure 6: Local Precipitation** 

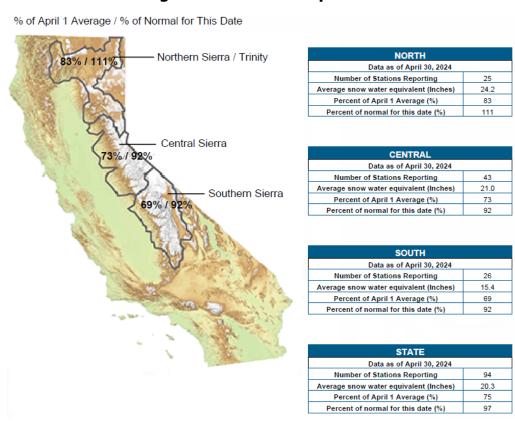


**Figure 7: Cumulative Precipitation in the North Sierra** 



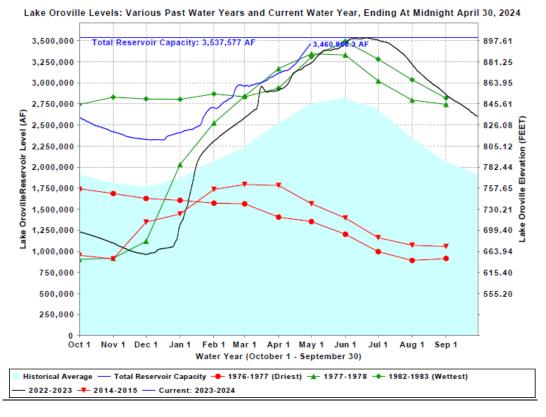
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Figure 8: Sierra Snowpack



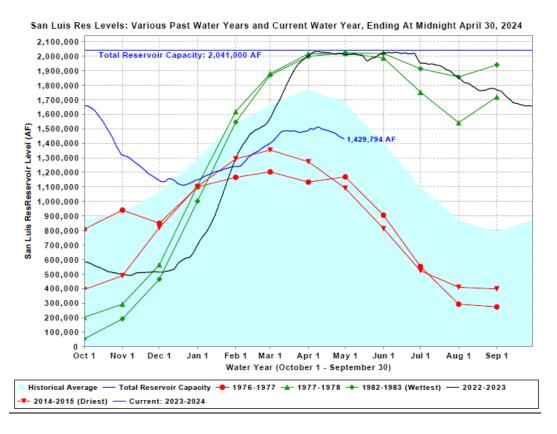
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Figure 10: Lake Oroville Storage



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Figure 11: San Luis Reservoir Storage



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## ITEM NO. 11e



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**ORIGINATING SECTION:** Engineering **CONTACT:** Edward Reyes/Mona Olmsted

AGENDA DATE: May 15, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Capital Projects Status Report

In support of Zone 7's mission to deliver safe, reliable, efficient, and sustainable water and flood protection services, and specifically in support of Strategic Plan Initiatives 3, 4, 5, 6, and 9, the Engineering staff plans, performs, and manages design and construction activities for water supply conveyance, production, and delivery projects and flood protection capital projects in Zone 7's Capital Improvement Program (CIP).

Attached are tables showing the status of key Water Supply System and Flood Protection System Projects for which the Engineering staff is responsible.

# Engineering Projects Status Report – May 15, 2024

# **Water Supply System Projects:**

Project Name/Purpose	Scope/Funding Source	Project Cost and Budget	Target Dates / Operating Impact	Current Status
Asset Management	Scope:	Original Total Cost	Planning:	The project team has
Program (AMP) and	<ul> <li>Prepare the AMP Update and</li> </ul>	<b>Estimate:</b> \$660,000	November 2023	begun staff
Ten-Year Capital	Ten-Year CIP documents,			interviews in
Improvement Plan	including: perform a condition	<b>Current Total Estimated</b>	Completion:	preparation for the
(CIP) Update	assessment of above-ground	<b>Project Cost:</b> \$1,152,000	February 2025	field condition
	assets and a risk analysis of			assessments of
Purpose/Benefits:	below-ground assets to	<b>Total Budget:</b> \$1,152,000	Projected	above-ground assets
<ul> <li>The AMP identifies</li> </ul>	prepare a prioritized list of	(\$660,000 budgeted,	Operating	scheduled in May.
and documents	capital projects; evaluate	\$492,000 proposed budget	Impact:	The adoption of the
near- and long-	current annual funding levels;	in FY 2024-25)	Increased	Ten-Year CIP has
term renewal,	recommend AMP annual		operational	been extended to
replacement, and	funding; evaluate the impact	Total Expenditures:	effectiveness,	January 2025 to align
system-wide	to Zone 7's rates; develop a	\$23,000	reliability, safety,	the CIP with the
improvement	CIP framework that aligns with		and cost-	Strategic Plan that
project needs and	Zone 7's vision and mission as	Planning Costs	effectiveness.	Zone 7 is updating.
funding strategies.	outlined in the Strategic Plan;	Budget \$1,152,000		
<ul> <li>The CIP identifies</li> </ul>	and, develop or update project	% Spent 2%		
the capital projects	descriptions, justifications,	% Complete 2%		
and programs	cost estimates, project			
needed to carry	schedules, and funding			
out the Agency's	sources for each project in the			
goals and policies	Ten-Year CIP.			
and describes the				
water system	Funding Sources:			
projects, costs,	This project is funded by a			
schedules, and	combination of water rates and			
priorities.	new connection fees:			
	• \$902k, Fund 120			
	• \$250k, Fund 130			

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Project Name/Purpose	Scope/Funding Source	Project Cost	and Budget	Target Dates / Operating Impact	Current Status
Chain of Lakes	Scope:	<b>Original Total</b>	Cost	Design:	The contractor continues
(COL) PFAS	Addition of six trains of	Estimate (202		December 2022	with construction of the
<b>Treatment Facility</b>	pressure vessels	\$25,800,000	•		vessel system concrete
Project	containing ion			Construction:	pad, which is tentatively
	exchange resin for the	<b>Current Total</b>	Estimated	November 2024	scheduled to be poured in
Purpose/Benefits:	removal of PFAS.	<b>Project Cost:</b>			late May. The vessel
Add PFAS	Piping,		<del>+= .,,</del>	Closeout:	system is scheduled to
treatment to the	instrumentation,	Total Budget:	\$24 400 000	December 2024	arrive for assembly in June
COL wells (COL 1,	electrical, concrete,	Total Budget	ι ψ2 1, 100,000	December 2021	and is anticipated to be
2, and 5) at the	underground pile	Total Expend	itures	Projected	complete in late July. The
COL 1 site.	foundation system, and	\$4,964,100	itui csi	Operating	contractor continues to
<ul> <li>Sampling indicates</li> </ul>	other site	φτ, 30τ, 100		Impact:	install underground utilities,
that the COL	improvements.	Dianning & F	Design Phase	Improved water	including electrical duct
Wellfield is at or	improvements.		sts	quality, improved	banks and storm drainage
	Funding Courses			1	_
above the State	Funding Source:	Budget	\$2,300,000	reliability, and	piping. Upcoming work
Division of Drinking	• 100% of design cost	% Spent	78%	increased	includes underground
Water Response	is funded from Fund	% Complete	100%	operational	system piping and
Level for PFHxS	120 –			flexibility. Increased	modifications, and
and exceeds the	Renewal/Replacement			operating costs,	installation of electrical gear
adopted	and System-Wide	Construct	ion Phase	with an annual	and instrumentation.
Environmental	Improvements	Co	sts	average cost of	
Protection Agency	Construction cost	Dudget	\$22,100,000	approximately	The contractor is indicating
Maximum	(approximately \$22M)	Budget	(bond funded)	\$300,000.	project completion in fall
Contaminant Levels	is financed through	% Spent	15%		2024 due to procurement
issued in April	bonds	% Complete	15%		of long lead items. The
2024. PFAS					project team has requested
treatment is					a recovery schedule from
needed to bring the					the contractor and will
COL wells back into					continue to assist them
service.					with finding efficiencies in
					the schedule that can be
					implemented to improve
					the completion date.

Project Name/Purpose	Scope/Funding Source	Project Cost a	nd Budget	Target Dates / Operating Impact	Current Status
<b>DVWTP Booster</b>	Scope:	<b>Original Total C</b>	ost	Design:	Zone 7 reviewed the 60%
Pump Station	The booster pump	<b>Estimate:</b> \$1,250	0,000	June 2024	plans and specifications in
Variable Frequency	station VFDs and the				April 2024. Design
Drives (VFDs) and	underdrain pump	Current Total Es	stimated	Construction:	completion and project
Underdrain Pump	station are at the end	Project Cost: \$1	,250,000	September 2024	bidding is anticipated for
Station	of their useful lives and				June 2024 and July 2024,
Replacement	in need of	Total Budget: \$	1,250,000	Closeout:	respectively.
Project	replacement.			February 2026	
	<ul> <li>Project includes:</li> </ul>	Total Expenditu	ıres:		
Purpose/Benefits:	replacing the two	\$18,200		Projected	
<ul> <li>Planned</li> </ul>	existing booster pump			Operating	
improvements to	VFDs with new VFDs;	Planning &	Design	Impact:	
the existing booster	replacing four existing	Phase Co	osts	Improved	
pump station VFDs	underdrain pumps with	Budget	\$140,000	operational	
and underdrain	two vertical turbine	% Spent	13%	flexibility and	
pump station will	pumps; and upgrading	% Complete	13%	reliability of the	
increase plant	the local control panel,	·		treatment plant,	
reliability and help	power and control			reducing untimely	
avoid untimely and	wiring, and other			future repair costs.	
expensive repairs.	mechanical				
	improvements.				
	Funding Source:				
	• 100% Fund 120 –				
	Renewal/Replacement				
	and System-Wide				
	Improvements				

Project Name/Purpose	Scope/Funding Source	Project Cost and Budget	Target Dates / Operating Impact	Current Status
DVWTP	Scope:	Original Total Cost	Design:	Additional scope was
Roadway/Parking	Rehabilitation of	<b>Estimate:</b> \$2,750,000	May 2021	requested to repair the
Lot Repairs and	roadway and parking lot			plant access road and
Post-Ozone	<ul> <li>Installation of a</li> </ul>	<b>Current Total Estimated</b>	Construction:	inspect two additional
Project	retaining wall, widening	<b>Project Cost:</b> \$2,750,000	May 2024	sodium hypochlorite tanks
	of the fill alleyway for			in order to evaluate their
Purpose/Benefits:	chemical delivery	<b>Total Budget:</b> \$2,750,000	Closeout:	remaining useful life and
<ul> <li>Planned repairs/</li> </ul>	trucks, and repair of the		June 2024	determine whether repairs
modifications to	main parking lot	Total Expenditures:		are needed to extend their
the existing	<ul> <li>Modification to the</li> </ul>	\$2,160,000	Projected	life. The access road work
roadway/parking	overflow weir, sodium		Operating	is complete, and the tank
lot and to plant	hypochlorite system,	Planning & Design	Impact:	inspections are scheduled
systems will	filter backwash pumps,	Phase Costs	Improved	for May 2024. The contract
maintain water	and chemical tanks	Budget \$190,000	operational	will be closed once this
system reliability		% Spent 100%	flexibility and	work is completed.
and help avoid	Funding Source:	% Complete 100%	reliability of the	
untimely and	• 100% Fund 120 –		treatment plant,	
expensive repairs.	Renewal/Replacement	Construction Phase	reduced untimely	
	and System-Wide	Costs	future repair costs,	
	Improvements	Budget \$2,560,000	and improved	
		% Spent 77%	worker safety.	
		% Complete 99%		

Project Name/Purpose	Scope/Funding Source	Project Cost and Budget	Target Dates / Operating Impact	Current Status
<b>DVWTP Polymer</b>	Scope:	Original Total Cost	Design:	The polymer mixing system
Mixing System	This mixing system is	Estimate (pre-2017):	March 2021	was placed in operation in
Replacement	nearing the end of its	\$550,000		June 2022. This project
Project	useful life and in need		Construction:	was combined with DVWTP
	of replacement.	<b>Current Total Estimated</b>	May 2024	Roadway/Parking Lot
Purpose/Benefits:	<ul> <li>Replacement includes a</li> </ul>	Project Cost: \$855,000		Repairs and Post-Ozone
<ul> <li>Replace existing</li> </ul>	dry hopper system with		Closeout:	Project to increase
outdated polymer	automatic feed into the	Total Budget: \$855,000	June 2024	economies of scale.
mixing and feed	mixing tank, new			
system subject to	chemical feed pumps,	Total Expenditures:	Projected	Contract closeout items
periodic failure	piping and	\$785,000	Operating	remain.
with more reliable	appurtenances, and		Impact:	
and automated	ventilation as well as	Planning & Design	Reduced O&M cost	
system.	other items needed to	Phase Costs	due to easier	
<ul> <li>New location is</li> </ul>	make a complete and	Budget \$150,000	maintenance,	
more accessible	functional system.	% Spent 100%	improved system	
for maintenance.		% Complete 100%	reliability, reduced	
<ul> <li>Reliable and</li> </ul>	Funding Source:		repair costs, and	
modernized	• 100% Fund 120 –	Construction Phase	improved worker	
equipment is	Renewal/Replacement	Costs	safety.	
expected to	and System-Wide	Budget \$705,000		
reduce frequency	Improvements	% Spent 90%		
of spills and		% Complete 99%		
cleanup of				
containment area.				

Project Name/Purpose	Scope/Funding Source	Project Cost	and Budget	Target Dates / Operating Impact	Current Status
MGDP	Scope:	<b>Original Total</b>	Cost	Planning:	The new concentrate sump
Concentrate	<ul> <li>Project scope includes</li> </ul>	<b>Estimate:</b> \$2,200,000		September 2020	pumps and VFDs are in
Conditioning	design, environmental				service, and the new
Project	review, and construction	<b>Current Total Estimated</b>		Design:	chemical building
	of an acid storage and	Project Cost:	\$7,840,000	June 2022	installation is mostly
Purpose/Benefits:	feed system in an				complete. Installation of
<ul> <li>Installation of a</li> </ul>	existing space in the	Total Budget:	\$8,320,000	Construction:	the new well house roof,
continuous acid	adjacent Mocho 4 well			June 2024	chemical tank, and most of
injection feed	building at the MGDP	Total Expendi	tures:		the electrical and
system for	site. This existing space	\$6,890,000		Closeout:	instrumentation work is
concentrate pH	was formerly used for			August 2024	complete. The new fire
adjustment will	onsite generation of	Planning & Design			system has been installed
help avoid scale	sodium hypochlorite,	Phase		Projected	and has passed pressure
build-up and	which is now fed from	Budget	\$810,000	Operating	tests on the piping. A
reduce the	MGDP to Mocho 4 when	% Spent	100%	Impact:	preliminary system startup
frequency of	that well is in production.	% Complete	100%	Increased	is scheduled, followed by
future batch	Install new concentrate			operational	final startup and staff
cleanings.	sump pumps and	Constructi		reliability, increased	training. Staff is working
Proactively adjust	variable frequency	Cos		operating cost, and	with Livermore Pleasanton
pH to meet brine	drives.	Budget	\$7,030,000	reduced frequency	Fire Department to
discharge permit	- " -	% Spent	87%	of future batch	schedule final
pH limits and	Funding Source:	% Complete	87%	cleaning costs for	walkthroughs. The permit
improve plant	• 100% from Fund 120 –			concentrate	amendment associated with
reliability.	Renewal/Replacement	Board approved increase to		pipeline.	the facility has been
	and System-Wide	original estimate due to			executed by Zone 7 and
	Improvements	spatial constraints at the site			DSRSD.
		and the need to demolish and			
		reconstruct a former sodium			
		hypochlorite storage area of			
		the Mocho 4 we	ell due to		
		updated codes.			

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MGDP and Mocho	Scope:  Test effectiveness of	Original Total Cost		Conceptual	At the April Board meeting, a contract for MGDP and
Wellfield PFAS		Estimate:		<b>Design:</b> December 2024	Mocho Wellfield PFAS
Compliance Conceptual Design	various media, evaluate number of vessels, life	\$200,000		December 2024	Compliance Conceptual
Conceptual Design	cycle costs, facility	<b>Current Total</b>	Estimated	Projected	Design was awarded to
Purpose/Benefits:	layout, and siting to	Project Cost:	LStillated	Operating	Carollo Engineers in an
Assess treatment	inform final design,	\$500,000		Impact:	amount not-to-exceed
options for PFAS	permitting, and	φ500,000		Improved water	\$320,000, which includes a
for MGDP and the	construction.	Total Budget:		quality, improved	10% contingency. Notice to
Mocho Wellfield	Evaluate interim	\$500,000 (\$200	.000	reliability, and	proceed will follow contract
in order to	modifications to Mocho	budgeted, \$300	•	increased	execution, anticipated in
comply with the	wellfield facilities to	proposed budge	•	operational	mid-May.
federal maximum	increase production, if	2024-25)		flexibility. Increased	
contaminant	needed.	,		operating costs will	
levels.		Total Expendi	tures:	be determined as	
<ul> <li>PFAS treatment is</li> </ul>	Funding Source:	-		part of conceptual	
needed for this	• 100% from Fund 120 –	Conceptua	al Design	design.	
wellfield to use its	Renewal/Replacement	Phase	Costs		
full production	and System-Wide	Budget	\$500,000		
capacity.	Improvements	% Spent	0%		
		% Complete	0%		

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PPWTP Upgrades	Scope:	Original Total Cost		Design:	Final Completion was
and Ozonation	This project combines two	<b>Estimate (2017):</b>		November 2018	established as November
Project	CIP projects, the PPWTP	\$62,000,000			17, 2023. A second partial
	Upgrades Project and the			Construction:	release of retention, less
Purpose/Benefits:	PPWTP Ozonation Project,	<b>Current Tota</b>	l Estimated	Fall 2022	withholds for remaining
<ul> <li>Add ozone</li> </ul>	and consists of:	Project Cost	<b>:</b> \$110,000,000		known deficiencies, has
treatment to	<ul> <li>Construction of new</li> </ul>			Closeout: June	been issued. The contractor
improve treated	facilities including an	Total Budget	<b>t:</b> \$110,000,000	2024	continues to complete
water quality and	ozone generation				punch list work and
production	building, contactor	Total Expend		Projected	warranty work.
reliability.	structures, six filters,	\$105,100,000		Operating Cost	
<ul> <li>Expand plant</li> </ul>	chemical storage and			Impact:	Change Order Status:
production	feed facilities, a 5 MG	Planning & Design		Approximately \$1	Change orders totaling
capacity from 12	treated water storage	Phase	e Costs	million net increase	\$5.66M (7.4% of original
to 24 MGD to	tank, a pump station,	Budget	\$6,000,000	in annual operating	contract amount) have
meet water	new plant entrance, and	% Spent	100%	and maintenance	been executed. The
demand and	new emergency	% Complete	100%	costs to operate	contractor submitted a
increase	generator			ozone system and	request for mediation on
production	Demolition of UF	Construc	tion Phase	pump station.	disputed claims, which staff
reliability. Provide	facilities and modification	Co	osts	Reduction in repair	has provided to legal
production	of existing clarifiers,	Budget	\$104,000,000	costs due to	counsel.
redundancy in	wash water recovery	% Spent	96%	upgrade or	
case of DVWTP	ponds, and chemical	% Complete	99%	replacement of	
shutdowns.	facilities			aging facilities such	
<ul> <li>Increase treated</li> </ul>				as filters, UF plant,	
water storage	Funding Sources:			washwater recovery	
capacity from 2	This project is funded by a			systems, and	
MG to 7 MG to	combination of water rates,			electrical and	
provide	new connection fees, and			chemical systems.	
operational	bonds:				
flexibility and	<ul> <li>PPWTP Upgrades</li> </ul>				
meet daily	Project: \$65M split 30%				
peaking	Fund 120, 70% Fund				
demands.	130				

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Replace or upgrade many major plant components that are reaching the end of their useful lives to improve plant reliability and reduce untimely and expensive future repair costs.	<ul> <li>PPWTP Ozonation         Project: \$45M split 50%         Fund 120, 50% Fund         130; \$19M of Fund 120's         share of the PPWTP         Ozonation Project's         construction phase is         bond financed.     </li> </ul>			

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Pipeline	Scope:	Original Total Cost	Planning:	Consultant has completed
Inspection	<ul> <li>Zone 7 has, in the past,</li> </ul>	Estimate (2019): \$250,000	January 2020	the draft study. Staff will
Program Study	completed pipeline		,	review the locations and
	Vulnerability, Criticality	<b>Current Total Estimated</b>	Study:	costs for the recommended
Purpose/Benefits:	and Risk Assessments to	Project Cost: \$250,000	June 2024	ingress and egress ports for
The study will	develop condition			probe/ equipment insertion
develop a routine	assessment and	<b>Total Budget:</b> \$250,000	Projected	as part of the Asset
inspection	corrosion protection		Operating	Management Plan (AMP)
program for the	Programs. This Study will	Total Expenditures:	Impact:	Update. Staff plans to
aging water	review and update the	\$130,000	The study may lead	finalize the study and
supply	past studies and help		to increased	incorporate the results into
transmission	develop a pipeline	Planning & Study	proactive	the AMP Update.
infrastructure.	inspection program and	Phase Costs	maintenance to	
<ul> <li>Routine</li> </ul>	recommend necessary	Budget \$250,000	minimize risk of	
inspections and	improvements to	% Spent 52%	emergency repairs.	
assessments will	implement the inspection	% Complete 75%		
help maintain a	program.			
reliable water				
transmission	Funding Source:			
system and avoid	• 100% from Fund 120 –			
untimely and	Renewal/Replacement			
expensive repairs.	and System-Wide			
	Improvements			

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Stoneridge PFAS	Scope:	Original Total Cost		Design:	Functional completion was
<b>Treatment Facility</b>	<ul> <li>Install three trains (6</li> </ul>	<b>Estimate:</b> \$16,300,000		April 2023	achieved in September
Project	vessels) consisting of ion				2023, and the facility is
	exchange media and two	<b>Current Total</b>	<b>Estimated</b>	Construction	online and treating for
Purpose/Benefits:	pretreatment cartridge	<b>Project Cost:</b>		(Functional):	PFAS removal.
<ul> <li>Improve water</li> </ul>	filters.	\$16,300,000		Summer 2023	
quality by	<ul> <li>Work includes</li> </ul>	, , ,			The contractor completed
removing PFHxS	construction of the three	<b>Total Budget</b>	\$16,300,000	Construction	all remaining electrical
to below	trains of treatment		, , ,	(Final):	equipment and wire
detection level at	pressure vessels,	<b>Total Expend</b>	itures:	May 2024	installation, including
Stoneridge Well,	installation of a new rate	\$11,323,000			installation of the variable
keeping the water	control station on site,	, , ,		Closeout:	frequency drive (VFD) for
quality in	piping modifications to	Planning,	Design &	June 2024	the new booster pump. The
compliance with	and from the well,		ion Phase		additional electrical loads
the DDW issued	chemical injection	Costs (Des	sign-Build)	Projected	for the facility were
response level	modifications, installation	Budget	\$16,300,000	Operating	approved by PG&E and
(RL).	of a new electrical	% Spent	70%	Impact:	added to the existing
<ul> <li>Allows Stoneridge</li> </ul>	building, and new	% Complete	90%	Improved water	transformer. The project
Well to return to	electrical and			quality, improved	team is currently working
operation upon	instrumentation for the			reliability, and	on final startup and testing
project	PFAS facility.			increased	of the new electrical
completion,	ŕ			operational	equipment,
helping Zone 7	Funding Source:			flexibility. Increased	instrumentation. and
continue to meet	• 100% from Fund 120 –			operating cost, with	booster pump. Full
its water demand	Renewal/Replacement			an annual average	completion of the project is
obligations.	and System-Wide			of approximately	anticipated by early June
	Improvements			\$200,000.	2024.

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Wells & MGDP	Scope:	Original Total Cost	Design:	Installation of the VFDs
Electrical	Replace seven variable	<b>Estimate:</b> \$7,340,000	May 2023	for the COL Wells 1 and 2
Upgrades/	frequency drives (VFDs)			was completed, with a few
Replacement	at the Mocho	<b>Current Total Estimated</b>	Construction:	field modifications
Project	Groundwater	Project Cost:	February 2025	remaining to be performed
	Demineralization Plant	\$7,340,000		by the manufacturer. The
Purpose/Benefits:	(MGDP) facility; replace		Closeout:	contractor has received all
<ul> <li>Replaces electrical</li> </ul>	two VFDs at the Chain	<b>Total Budget:</b> \$7,340,000	March 2025	seven VFDs for the MGDP.
equipment at	of Lakes (COL) Wells 1			Two of these VFDs have
several well sites	and 2; and replace	Total Expenditures:	Projected	been installed and
that is at or	electrical switchgear	\$1,913,700	Operating Impact:	-
approaching the	and motor control		Improved water	remaining five VFDs
end of its useful	center (MCC) at Mocho	Planning & Design &	production reliability	scheduled for completion
life.	2, Stoneridge, Hopyard	Construction Phase	and increased	from late May through late
<ul> <li>Ensures reliable</li> </ul>	6 and Hopyard 9 wells.	Costs (Design-Build)	operational	June. Installation of the
water production		Budget \$7,340,000	flexibility.	Hopyard 9 switchgear is
from groundwater	Funding Source:	% Spent 26%		tentatively scheduled for
wells.	• 100% from Fund 120 –	% Complete 30%		June, pending an
	Renewal/Replacement			approved shutoff request
	and System-Wide			from PG&E. The remaining
	Improvements			well switchgear
				(Stoneridge, Hopyard 6,
				and Mocho 2) is
				tentatively scheduled for
				installation between June
				and August.

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# **Flood Protection System Projects:**

Project Name/Purpose	Scope/Funding Source	Project Cost	and Budget	Target Dates / Operating Impact	Current Status
Arroyo Mocho	Scope:	Original Total Cost		Planning:	Construction and
<b>Medeiros Reach</b>	Lower the Arroyo Mocho	Estimate (2015):		November 2016	mitigation are completed.
Floodplain	bike path and berm to	\$6,640,000	-		
Reconnection	allow flood flows to enter			Design and	All requests for
Project	OGNR.	<b>Current Total</b>	<b>Estimated</b>	Permitting:	reimbursement, totaling
	<ul> <li>Invasive species removal</li> </ul>	<b>Project Cost:</b>	\$2,260,000	2021/2022	\$424,813, have been
Purpose/Benefits:	throughout Medeiros				submitted. The California
Create flood	Reach.	Total Budget:	\$2,260,000	Construction:	Natural Resources Agency
attenuation along	<ul> <li>Improvements to existing</li> </ul>			Completed October	retains 10% of the
Arroyo Mocho	dirt trails/access roads/fire	Total Expend	itures:	2022	requested reimbursement
<ul> <li>Trail and vegetation</li> </ul>	breaks in OGNR.	\$2,200,860			until all final project
improvements				Mitigation:	documentation is
<ul> <li>Design consistent</li> </ul>	Funding Source:	Planning 8	& Design	Completed October	submitted for the River
with City of	This project is funded by a	Phase	_	2023	Parkways Grant. A final
Livermore's Oak	combination of:	Budget	\$1,500,000		reimbursement of \$42,481
Grove Nature	<ul> <li>43% Fund 200 – Flood</li> </ul>	% Spent	99%	Closeout:	will be released once all
Reserve (OGNR)	Protection Operations	% Complete	100%	May 2024	project documentation is
Master Plan	• 57% Fund 210- Flood	70 00		,	submitted. Staff has
	Protection and Stormwater	Constructi	on Phase	Projected	submitted the required
	Drainage DIF	Costs		Operating Impact:	documentation at the end
	Up to \$500K California	Budget	\$760,000	Small increase in	of April 2024.
	Natural Resources Agency	% Spent	94%	maintenance costs	
	River Parkways Grant	% Complete	100%	due to ownership of	
	_	70 Complete	10070	additional flood	
				protection facilities.	

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Alamo Creek Bank Stabilization Pilot Project  Purpose/Benefits: Pilot project to test	Scope:  Repair channel reach downstream of the Alamo Creek and South San Ramon Creek confluence structure that experiences	Original Total Estimate (202 \$5,800,000 Current Total Project Cost:	23): Estimated	Design: May 2023 – September 2024  Permitting: Winter 2025	The team of FlowWest, HDR, and Haley & Aldrich are moving forward with hydraulic modeling, geomorphic analysis, and collection of boring
channel erosion treatments that will be proposed as part of the Flood	<ul> <li>high velocities, causing toe erosion.</li> <li>Improvements will stabilize the toe with rock vanes,</li> </ul>	Total Propose \$6,142,520	-	Construction: Summer/Fall 2025	samples. The 30% design and cost estimate are under review. Additional scope to address the 2023
<ul><li>Management Plan</li><li>Repair a section of Alamo Creek in Dublin to help</li></ul>	vegetated soil lifts, willow plantings, and rip rap toe trenches. Erosion control fabric will be placed on top	\$305,000 Planning 8		December 2025  Projected	storm damages has been added to the project scope.
restore functionality and integrity of the flood protection system using	of all new repairs and hydroseeded.  Funding Source:	Phase Budget % Spent % Complete	\$890,000 34% 34%	Operating Impact: Reduced future maintenance and repair costs.	The grant agreement with the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) was executed in
vegetation and rock rip rap  Repair areas of bank	<ul> <li>Fund 200 – Flood         Protection Operations     </li> <li>DWR has awarded up to a</li> </ul>	Constructi	on Phase	repair costs.	February 2024.
damage from the 2023 winter storms	\$4,606,890 grant through the Floodplain Management, Protection, and Risk Awareness (FMPRA) Grant Program • Requires Zone 7 matching funds of 25% (~\$1,535,630)	Proposed Budget (FY 2024-26) % Spent % Complete	\$5,252,520 0% 0%		

Project Name/Purpose	Scope/Funding Source	Project Cost and Budget	Target Dates / Operating Impact	Current Status
2022-2023 Storm	Scope:	Original Total Cost	Design:	Initial design for four
Damage High	Repair four high-priority	<b>Estimate:</b> To be determined	Spring 2024	channel repairs were
<b>Priority Repairs</b>	sites that experienced	(TBD) as the scope is refined.		prepared and a pre-
	damage during the 2022-		Permitting:	submittal review was
Purpose/Benefits:	2023 storm events at Las	<b>Current Total Estimated</b>	Summer2024	conducted with the San
<ul> <li>Restore channel</li> </ul>	Positas at El Charro,	<b>Project Cost:</b> \$2,050,000		Francisco Regional Water
embankments	Golden Eagle Estates, and		Construction: Fall	Quality Control Board (SF
damaged during the	Line G1-1-1.	Total Proposed Budget:	2024	RWQCB) to determine
December 2022-	Repairs under this project	\$2,754,000		feasibility of repairs. For
January 2023 storm	are sites that do not qualify		Closeout:	two of the sites, SF
event.	for the US Army Corp of	Total Expenditures:	December 2024	RWQCB requested
<ul> <li>Repairs will improve</li> </ul>	Engineers (USACE)	\$367,524		additional fluvial
channel capacity	Program. Design has been		Projected	geomorphologist analysis.
and stability and	completed in-house and	Planning & Design	Operating Impact:	ESA completed the
prevent further	will go out to bid in May	Phase Costs	Restore channel	additional geomorphic
damage.	2024 and construction will	Budget \$500,000	stability.	assessment in January
	be completed by fall 2024	% Spent 74%		2024.
	pending permit approval.	% Complete 74%		The 1000/ design is near
	Improvements will include			The 100% design is near
	bank stabilization with rip	Construction Phase		completion. Staff plans to
	rap and potentially	Cost Estimate		bid the project in May
	geogrids to reinforce the channel soils. Erosion	Proposed   \$2,254,000		2024, and bring the project to the Board for
	control fabric will be placed	Budget (FY		award in July 2024.
	on top of all new repairs	2024-25)		awaid iii July 2024.
	and hydroseeded.	% Spent 0%		Pending environmental
	and nyurosecucu.	% Complete 0%		permits, construction will
	Funding Source:			begin in August 2024, and
	• Fund 200 – Flood			in-channel work will be
	Protection Operations			completed by end of
				October 2024.
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Project Name/Purpose	Scope/Funding Source	Project Cost and Budge	Target Dates / Operating Impact	Current Status
2023 Storm Damage	Scope:	Original Total Cost	Design:	Design agreement with
Repairs - Phase 1	Design and environmental	Estimate: To be determine	d February 2025	Wood Rodgers was
	planning to repair	(TBD) as the scope is refined	d.	executed in March 2024.
Purpose/Benefits:	approximately 50 out of		Permitting:	Kick-off meeting with
<ul> <li>Restore channel</li> </ul>	177 sites that experienced	<b>Current Total Estimated</b>	February 2025	design team and initial site
embankments	damage during the 2022-	Project Cost: To be		visit were completed in
damaged during the	2023 storm events.	determined as the scope is	Construction: Fall	April 2024.
December 2022-	<ul> <li>Approximately 25 high to</li> </ul>	refined.	2025	
January 2023 storm	medium priority sites that			In the coming months, the
event.	did not qualify for USACE	Total Proposed Budget:	Closeout:	design team will continue
<ul> <li>Repairs will improve</li> </ul>	funding will be repaired in-	Initial budget for design is	December 2025	with field inspection and
channel capacity	house. Design in progress.	\$1,082,000.		site reconnaissance
and stability and	Construction planned for		Projected	including preparation for
prevent further	2025. Phase 2 to repair	Total Expenditures:	Operating Impact:	geotechnical investigation,
damage.	additional approximately 50	\$25,000	Restore channel	soil sampling, and survey
	sites will be in 2026.		_ stability.	data collection.
	Improvements will include	Planning & Design		
	stabilization of the toe	Phase Costs	<u> </u>	Zone 7 will be seeking
	utilizing rip rap toe	Budget   \$1,082,000		assistance from FEMA/Cal
	trenches, and potentially		<u> </u>	OES for design and
	geogrids to reinforce the	% Spent 2.5%	<u> </u>	construction expenditures.
	channel soils. Erosion	% Complete 5%		
	control fabric will be placed		_	
	on top of all new repairs	Construction Phase		
	and hydroseeded.	Costs	<u> </u>	
	Francisco Comment	Proposed		
	Funding Source:	Budget (FY		
	• Fund 200 – Flood	2025-26)		
	Protection Operations	% Spent 0%		
		% Complete 0%		