



**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
UPPER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
248 E. FOOTHILL BLVD. ROOM #103, MONROVIA, CA 91016
4:00 P.M. – April 10, 2024**

AGENDA

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2. ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA [1]
4. PUBLIC COMMENT
Anyone wishing to discuss items should do so now. The Board of Directors may allow additional input during the meeting. A three-minute time limit on remarks is requested.
5. COMMITTEE REPORTS [2]
 - (a) Administration and Finance Committee (*Santana, Chair – Treviño, Vice-Chair*)
Minutes of meeting held on April 02, 2024 enclosed.
 - (b) Water Resources and Facility Management Committee (*Treviño, Chair – Garcia, Vice-Chair*)
Minutes of meeting held on April 03, 2024 enclosed.
6. CONSENT CALENDAR [1]
 - (a) Minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on March 13, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.
 - (b) List of Demands
 - (c) Financial Reports – February 2024
 1. Financial Statements
 2. Director’s Public Outreach
7. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS [1]
 - (a) Metropolitan Water District Update: Board Chair Adán Ortega and General Manager Adel Hagekhalil.

Recommendation

This item is for information only. No action is anticipated.

- (b) Resolution No. 04-24-660, Initiating Proceedings for the Establishment of a Water Availability or Standby Charge for Fiscal Year 2024/25 and Establishing May 22, 2024 as the Public Hearing Date. (*Staff memorandum enclosed.*)

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 04-24-660
2. Schedule a public hearing on May 22, 2024; and
3. Instruct staff to publish notice of the hearing as required by statute.

- (c) Amendment to Financial Audit Services Agreement (*Staff memorandum enclosed.*)

Recommendation

The Administration and Finance Committee recommends that the Board of Directors approve an amendment to the existing professional services agreement with Rogers, Anderson, Malody & Scott, LLP to provide financial audit services for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2024 and 2025, increasing the maximum amount payable by \$63,710 for a total not-to-exceed maximum of \$211,750.

- (d) Los Angeles County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Ballot for Special District LAFCO Representative and Alternate (*Staff memorandum enclosed.*)

Recommendation

No staff recommendation, open for Board discussion and action.

- (e) Federal Legislative Summary and Bill Positions (*Staff memorandum enclosed.*)

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors approve staff recommendation for federal and state legislative bill positions: H.R. 7525, SB 903, SB 1110, SB 1330, SB 1169, AB 1827, and AB 2257, which are consistent with Upper District's 2023-24 Legislative Policy Principles adopted by the Board in January 2023.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS [2]

- (a) Press Releases and News Articles

9. ATTORNEY'S REPORT [2]

10. ENGINEER'S REPORT [2]

11. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT [2]

12. METROPOLITAN REPORT [2]

13. WATER QUALITY AUTHORITY REPORT [2]

14. WATERMASTER REPORT [2]

15. AB 1234 COMPLIANCE REPORT [2]

16. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS [2]

17. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS [1]

18. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION – None.

19. ADJOURNMENT - To a regular meeting of the Board of Directors to be held on April 24, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. at 248 E. Foothill Blvd. Room #103, Monrovia, CA 91016.

LEGEND: [1] INDICATES ACTION ANTICIPATED BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON THIS ITEM
[2] INDICATES INFORMATION ITEM - NO BOARD ACTION NECESSARY

PRESIDENT JENNIFER SANTANA, PRESIDING



American Disabilities Act Compliance (*Government Code Section 54954.2(a)*)



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MEMORANDUM



5. (a) COMMITTEE REPORTS

April 04, 2024

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING AND SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS – April 02, 2024

ATTENDANCE:	Jennifer Santana, Chair Charles Treviño, Vice-Chair Ed Chavez Thomas Love	Evelyn Rodriguez Venessa Navarrette Jessica Hernandez Priscilla Lu	Steven O’Neill
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1. **Call to Order.**

2. **Public Comment.** None.

3. **Amendment to Financial Audit Services Agreement**

Evelyn Rodriguez, Chief Financial Officer/Chief Administrative Officer (CFO/CAO), presented the recommendation to amend the existing professional service agreement with Rogers, Anderson, Malody & Scott LLP (RAMS). The amendment would extend the terms to include the financial audit services for fiscal years ending June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2025. The amendment would also increase the amount payable by \$63,710 for a not-to-exceed amount of \$211,750.

Ms. Rodriguez stated that although RAMS has continued to provide excellent services over the last five years, staff will consider issuing a new RFP for audit services at the end of this term extension which would be RAMS’ seventh year.

Following discussion, the Administration and Finance Committee recommended that the Board of Directors authorize the amendment.

4. **Proposed Biennial Budget for FY 2024/25 and FY 2025/26 (First Draft).**

The CFO/CAO stated that this is the first year Upper District is preparing a biennial budget which covers fiscal years 2024/25 and 2025/26. She added that the first set of numbers does not include Upper District’s proposed rates and charges since Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Metropolitan) is yet to adopt its rates and charges. She presented the budget drivers, assumptions and highlights for FY 2024/25 and 2025/26, highlighting the growing net readiness-to-serve (RTS) charge from Metropolitan and the rising election costs from

the county. She also clarified that the budgeted untreated water purchases and sales in the proposed biennial budget represents the volume of water Upper District needs to sell to cover the RTS charge from Metropolitan and meet the debt service ratio of 120%.

The CFO/CAO discussed the changes to the conservation and administrative budget numbers previously presented to the committees. She also presented the major expense categories and the year-to-year budget changes for FY 2024/25 and FY 2025/26 as well as the sources and uses of funds, stating that the biggest category consists of imported water cost/revenue. She then presented the forecasted water sales for FY 2024/25 and 2025/26.

The CFO/CAO then went over the next steps stating that the final proposed biennial budget will be brought back to the Committee in May with a Board action adopting the budget anticipated in June.

Director Treviño commended Ms. Rodriguez for all her hard work and making her presentation easy to understand.

5. Update on MWD's Proposed Biennial Budget for FY 2024/25 and FY 2025/26

The General Manager reported that Metropolitan anticipates adopting their budget by April 9, 2024. He stated that several alternatives involving changes to property tax rate are being considered to keep the rate increases in the single digits. He mentioned that there is a potential for Metropolitan to increase their revenues over the two-year cycle by about \$60 million but there is no guarantee. He also mentioned Metropolitan's budget includes \$18 million a year in budget cuts.

Director Santana commented that she does not anticipate the property tax rate increase would be significant.

6. Other Matters.

The General Manager stated that the City of Arcadia needs PFAS treatment and has reached out to Upper District for potential funding assistance. He stated that at the committee's concurrence, he will start discussion with the City of Arcadia regarding its request.

Director Treviño expressed support for extending assistance.

The CFO/CAO announced that the District is starting the standby charge process for fiscal year 2024/25 and that a resolution will be coming to the board for adoption at its next meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, May 7, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

cc: General Manager



MEMORANDUM



5. (b) COMMITTEE REPORTS

April 3, 2024

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: WATER RESOURCES AND FACILITY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: MINUTES OF THE WATER RESOURCES AND FACILITY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS - APRIL 3, 2024

ATTENDANCE:	Charles Treviño (Chair)	Evelyn Rodriguez	Steve O'Neill
	Katarina Garcia (Vice Chair)	Venessa Navarrette	Kelly Gardner
	Ed Chavez	Jennifer Aguilar	
	Tom Love	Kat Vazquez	

1. **Call to Order.**

2. **Public Comment.**

3. **New MWD Treated Connection.**

The General Manager reported that a year ago, the San Gabriel County Water District and Sunnyslope Water Company requested a connection to the MWD treated water system. He explained that they requested to connect to the San Marino lateral, but the connection was not large enough to meet the additional demand. The General Manager retained Civiltech Engineering to look at connecting to the Upper or Middle MWD Feeder to help meet this need for both agencies. He shared that Civiltech anticipates completing the report in June. The General Manager explained that both agencies are looking for emergency reliability through this connection as they are both reliant on groundwater wells which could fail or require treatment in the future. He shared that Upper District is funding the study portion of the project but the agencies will cover the cost of construction should the study find it beneficial. He explained that this would provide an access point to MWD treated water which could potentially reduce future demand on the basin if restrictions are placed on imported water.

Director Treviño asked if Watermaster was on board with this plan. The General Manager explained that this project does not involve Watermaster as it relates to treated water and not the basin.

4. **Proposed Engineering and Capital Budget for FY 2024/25 and 2025/26.**

The General Manager went over the same presentation as the prior committee meeting to share a few more items in greater detail. He shared that there is funding allocated for the IRP which is in process with Stetson and should be completed in the summer. He reported that there is funding allocated to make some repairs to the Whittier Narrows recycled water connections to improve our infrastructure. The General Manager shared that there is also funding allocated for the study related to the MWD connection for San Gabriel County Water and Sunnyslope

Water Company as well as additional connections for other agencies should that be required due to drought conditions.

Director Garcia asked why agencies or cities would be interested in treated water connections now. The General Manager explained that in the past, the cost of treated water was higher than pumping groundwater for a long time so many agencies opted to not use treated water connection. He shared that reliability was not a main concern back then, but now the costs are closer depending on the circumstances. He added that drought restriction increases have driven this move to treated connections.

5. Water Supply Update.

The General Manager shared that the key well has moved up by 1.50 feet and the county reservoirs have the same amount of storage as this time last year. He reported that the precipitation this year has been a little less than the prior year, but it has been captured strategically. He does not think there will be any water lost to the ocean this year. The General Manager shared a presentation from MWD on the SWP allocation, snowpack, Colorado River shortages, and reverse and cyclic storage deliveries. He shared that he will be coordinating with all the agencies to get as much into the basin for storage as possible through the summer using both local and imported water. He explained that they are planning to give the spreading grounds a brief break after the local water deliveries to dry out the basins and potentially prepare them to take larger amounts of imported water starting in July through the end of 2024. He shared that the goal is to deliver over 60 TAF delivered during that time.

Director Treviño asked if that goal is achievable. The General Manager explained that he was optimistic last year, but it did not happen as planned. He shared that he is looking to do more coordination this year and get as much water in the ground as possible. Director Treviño mentioned that he wanted to look into Prop W funding to aid this process. The General Manager said he was looking into those options to help the basin be as successful as possible in the future.

6. Other Matters.

None.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.

cc: General Manager

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OF THE UPPER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
248 E. FOOTHILL BLVD, ROOM #103, MONROVIA, CALIFORNIA 91016
4:00 P.M. – MARCH 13, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held in the office of the District, 248 E. Foothill Blvd, Rm. 103, City of Monrovia, County of Los Angeles, State of California, within said Water District, on March 13, 2024 at the hour of 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Treviño, Chavez, Garcia, Fellow, and Santana

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Tom Love, General Manager; Steve O'Neill, District Counsel; Steve Johnson, District Engineer; Evelyn Rodriguez, Chief Financial Officer/Chief Administrative Officer; Venessa Navarrette, Executive Assistant; and Jennifer Aguilar, Water Use Efficiency Analyst

OTHERS PRESENT

Lenet Pacheco, Kelly Gardner, Tara Robinson, Che Venegas, and David Muse

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

On motion by Vice President Fellow, seconded by Treasurer Garcia, the agenda was unanimously adopted as presented by the following vote:

AYES: TREVIÑO, CHAVEZ, GARCIA, FELLOW AND SANTANA
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Next scheduled committee meeting dates are as follows:

- (a) Government Affairs and Community Outreach – April 8, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.
- (b) Administration and Finance – April 2, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.
- (c) Water Resources and Facility Management – April 3, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion by Director Treviño, seconded by Treasurer Garcia, the consent calendar was unanimously approved by the following vote:

AYES: TREVIÑO, CHAVEZ, GARCIA, FELLOW AND SANTANA
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

- (a) Minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on February 28, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.
- (b) List of Demands.
- (c) Financial Reports – January 2024.
 - 1. Financial Statements.
 - 2. Director's Public Outreach.

**REVIEW OF MWD
REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENT
POLICY**

The General Manager reported that this was placed on the agenda at the request of Director Treviño. He shared that staff reviewed the policy with legal counsel and provided materials in the packet. He reported that the Board appoints members to sit on various committees and boards across the region. The General Manager shared that the MWD representative serves at the pleasure of the board and the term can be specified or unspecified. He also reported that there can also be a specified term by ordinance of the board, and it is irrevocable without cause.

District Counsel reiterated that the position can be appointed with or without a term, but if a term is indicated, it will be for four years and will require an ordinance.

INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items listed on the agenda for the information of the Board were read and ordered received and filed:

- (a) Press Releases and News Articles

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

District Counsel reported working with staff on finalizing agreements, policy manual amendments, and a public records act request about GIS. He also provided an update on an ongoing litigation between Metropolitan and the San Diego County Water Authority regarding Metropolitan's rate structure that has not been finalized.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

The District Engineer reported on hydrologic conditions, basin deliveries, reservoir storage, canyon inflows and releases, and rainfall average. He stated that the Baldwin Park Key Well groundwater elevation was 223.2 feet as of March 8, 2024. He reported that it came up 0.2 of a foot in one week. He also shared that the key well has reacted quickly which might indicate that the drying out process over the last few months worked. He reported that there was an approximately 34,000 AF increase in canyon storage in February and 11,000 AF increase in March so far.

He stated 65 wells were sampled in February and 52 wells in January, under the Title 22 Program. He also reported that there were no notices of new wells shutdown due to water quality issues.

Vice President Fellow asked how much more water can be put in the basin. The District Engineer clarified that the basin could hold about 500,000 AF more water.

Vice President Fellow mentioned that MWD has indicated they want to put water into the basin but it requires Watermaster approval. Steve Johnson shared that in 2012, a new section was added to the Main San Gabriel Basin Judgment which allows MWD to store water in the basin and export it if the infrastructure exists.

Vice President Fellow asked if there has been a discussion with MWD about placing more water into the basin as storage. The General Manager clarified that the MWD Board has been informed about the option but has not approved utilizing this option under the Judgment.

The General Manager shared that he would bring various storage options to a Water Resources and Facilities Management meeting in the future.

A written report was also provided in the Board's agenda packet.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

The General Manager reported that another successful Watershed Restoration event was held on March 9th. He shared that there are saplings that need to be potted and trees that need to be planted. He explained that there will be a large event including the retailers happening in April to help with this large task.

The General Manager reported that Northern California is having a normal water year and Oroville is in flood control mode. He also shared that San Luis is starting to fill which is critical to the setting of the safe yield and State Water Project allocation. He shared that the imported water picture looks good, and delivery of cyclic storage water should begin in the spring.

Vice President Fellow asked why Lake Mead and Lake Powell never fill the same way as the other reservoirs. The General Manager explained that it took decades to fill these reservoirs after they were built due to their volume capacity.

Treasurer Garcia asked about the effect of the evaporation rate on those reservoirs. The General Manager clarified that it is significant.

Secretary Chavez asked about the tarp that Three Valleys has over their water and if it was for evaporation prevention. The General Manager clarified that the tarp for water quality to protect the clean, treated water.

A written report was also provided in the Board's agenda packet.

METROPOLITAN REPORT

Vice President Fellow reported that MWD was in session this week about the budget, water rates, and CAMP4W. He shared that there will be more workshops on these topics in the coming weeks. He then shared the results of a regional survey done by the MWD communications group. Vice President Fellow requested that all the directors be provided with that presentation since it ties into the work being done by the Upper District.

The General Manager shared that MWD is currently seeing their water sales at a 50-year low. He added that groundwater production is also at a record low since the Basin Judgment. He then shared that there have been comments during MWD's budget discussions on whether the Pure Water project would be needed if the water demand is low.

A written report was also provided in the Board's agenda packet.

WATER QUALITY AUTHORITY REPORT

Secretary Chavez reported that the financial audits were completed at WQA. He also mentioned a memo about federal funding for restoration funds being approved.

A summary report was included in the packet.

WATERMASTER REPORT

Vice President Fellow reported that a management meeting was held earlier during the day regarding the safe yield and PFAS.

A summary report was included in the packet.

AB 1234 COMPLIANCE REPORT

A summary report was included in the packet.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS

Secretary Chavez mentioned that he attended the Watershed Restoration event with his granddaughter, sharing how happy he was for her to unplug and be part of nature for the day.

Vice President Fellow mentioned that the US Congress is getting serious about the Sites Reservoir and that they are putting an emphasis on this project.

President Santana mentioned a study that came out about a clear link between microplastics and health concerns.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

President Santana asked if there were any other business to come before the Board. There being none, the meeting was duly adjourned to a regular meeting of the Board of Directors to be held on April 10, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. at 248 E. Foothill Blvd., Room #103, Monrovia, CA 91016.

PRESIDENT

ATTEST

SECRETARY

SEAL

DRAFT

Demands numbered 22331 through 22359 on the General Fund Account of the Upper District at Citizens Business Bank, in the amount of \$317,411.61 and demands numbered 1214 through 1219 on the Water Fund Account at the same bank in the amount of \$937,082.74.

22331	789, Inc.	Inv. USGV-429120, Marketing and Creative Services, March 2024 <i>(Board approved 7/12/23)</i>		\$ 5,575.00
22332	Aaron Read & Associates, LLC	Inv. 213231, State Legislative Advocacy Services, January 2024 Inv. 213239, State Legislative Travel Reimbursements, February 2024 <i>(Board approved 10/12/22)</i>	10,000.00 361.97	10,361.97
22333	ACWA/JPIA	Inv. 0701842, Health Insurance Premium - March 2024		28,453.87
22334	Aleshire & Wynder, LLP	Professional Services, January 2024 Inv. 84159, Transactional Fees Inv. 84216, Transactional Fees Inv. 84217, Retainer <i>(Board approved 04/13/22)</i>	81.20 2,090.00 4,404.00	6,575.20
22335	Azusa Light & Water	Inv. 4571REI, MAA Program Reimbursement		6,765.00
22336	Best Best & Krieger, LLP	Inv. 987547, Federal Legislative Advocacy Services through 01/31/24 <i>(Board approved 10/12/22)</i>		7,500.00
22337	Black Bird Fire Protection, Inc.	Inv. 20688022624, Fire Sprinkler Repairs		5,093.00
22338	City of Arcadia	Inv. 04/13/24UD, WaterFest 2024 Street Banner Permit		165.00
22339	Department of Water & Power	Inv. GA434499, Recycled Water Program Permit Fees		83.33
22340	Dewey Pest Control, Inc.	Inv. 16496265, Pest Control Services, February 2024 Inv. 16496266, Pest Control Services, Initial Service	112.00 268.00	380.00
22341	Discovery Science Center	Inv. 1854, Sustainable Watershed Education Program Inv. 1865, Sustainable Watershed Education Program Inv. 1878, Sustainable Watershed Education Program Inv. 1887, Sustainable Watershed Education Program	14,335.00 2,242.50 (6,540.00) (1,290.00)	8,747.50
22342	EcoTech Services, Inc.	Inv. 2931, Home Leak Repair Kits, January 2024 Inv. 2942, Landscaping Maintenance, March 2024 <i>(Board approved 06/08/22)</i>	4,320.00 900.00	5,220.00
22343	G3LA, LLC	Inv. 1004, Design Seminar, February 2024		2,200.00
22344	Image Property Services, LLC	Inv. MCS-11772, Janitorial Services, February 2024		1,907.59
22345	Joey C. Soto	Inv. 2024-UD-GA-JAN-112, Grant Writing Services, January 2024 <i>(Board approved 06/08/22)</i>		975.00
22346	Promo Direct	Inv. N171105, District Logo Items		3,623.00
22347	Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles	Inv. 04/13/24UD, Earth Day 2024 Sponsorship		2,500.00
22348	Spectrum Reach/Charter	Inv. 420029598, Drought Marketing, Nov-Dec 2023 Inv. 420029599, Drought Marketing, Nov-Dec 2023 Inv. 880042327, Drought Marketing, January 2024 Inv. 880042328, Drought Marketing, January 2024	1,974.40 1,800.00 1,998.90 1,800.00	7,573.30
22349	Stetson Engineers, Inc.	Inv. 2533-213, General Engineering Support Services, December 2023		4,738.92
22350	Total Compensation Systems, Inc.	Inv. 12781, GASB 75 Roll - 06/30/23 Full Valuation, Final Payment		1,530.00
22351	Upper District Payroll Fund	Inv. JAN 24, Reimbursement of Payroll and Payroll Taxes for Employees Inv. JAN 24D, Reimbursement of Payroll Taxes for Directors	140,833.40 6,371.65	147,205.05

22352	Upper District Revolving Fund	Inv. FEB 24, Revolving Fund Account Replenishment - February 2024		
		Office Supplies	246.55	
		Computer Systems/Equipment/Maintenance/Insurance/Outside Service	507.96	
		Telephone/Utilities/Building Maintenance	3,536.30	
		Meeting/Travel/Conferences/Dues/Assessments/Membership	(79.12)	
		Water Conservation Program Expenses	1,000.77	
		WRP Operation & Maintenance/Permits/Water Purchases/PM/Public Info	15,280.93	
		Medical/ODA Reimbursement/Processing Fee/Others	13,667.40	34,160.79
22353	U.S. Bank Corporate Payment System	CalCard Changes through 02/22/24		
		Meetings, Travel, Conferences	3,745.86	
		Computer Systems/Office Equipment/Supplies/Maintenance & Service/Utilities	870.78	
		Conservation Program Expenses, Education and Outreach	5,180.33	9,796.97
22354	Valley County Water District	Inv. 5121-02, Billboard Ads, Feb. - Jun. 2024		1,650.00
22355	VC3, Inc.	Inv. 160818, IT Management Support, January 2024	2,870.77	
		Inv. INV2258VC3, IT Equipment	1,211.44	
		Inv. INV2259VC3, IT Equipment	790.29	
		Inv. INV2269VC3, IT Equipment	2,268.79	7,141.29
22356	Anthony Fellow	Director's Compensation, January 2024		
		10 Days District Business	2,550.00	
		9 MWD Business	2,295.00	
		Meeting/Travel Expenses/Allowance	516.87	
		Less Deferred Comp.	(500.00)	
		Less Taxes Withheld	(1,484.86)	3,377.01
22357	Ed Chavez	Director's Compensation, February 2024		
		10 Days District Business	2,550.00	
		Meeting/Travel Expenses/Allowance	1,221.87	
		Less Deferred Comp.	(2,040.00)	
		Less Taxes Withheld	(1,625.56)	106.31
22358	Charles Treviño	Director's Compensation, February 2024		
		10 Days District Business	2,550.00	
		Meeting/Travel Expenses/Allowance	516.87	
		Less Deferred Comp.	(500.00)	
		Less Taxes Withheld	(515.91)	2,050.96
22359	Jennifer Santana	Director's Compensation, February 2024		
		9 Days District Business	2,295.00	
		Meeting/Travel Expenses/Allowance	516.87	
		Less Deferred Comp.	(500.00)	
		Less Taxes Withheld	(356.32)	1,955.55
			TOTAL	\$317,411.61
1214	Central Basin MWD	Invoice No. USGV-JAN24, Purchase of 1.9 AF of Recycled Water in December 2023 <i>(Previously paid 03/04/24)</i>	\$	1,344.81
1215	City of Industry City Hall	Invoice No. R01312024-D, Purchase of 7.3 AF of Recycled Water in January 2024		2,847.00
1216	City of Industry City Hall	Invoice No. R01312024-E, CIP Charge for January 2024 @ \$98 per AF		715.40
1217	Metropolitan Water District	Invoice No. 11398, Purchase of 230.4 AF of Treated Water in January 2024		912,468.38
1218	San Gabriel Valley MWD	Invoice No. 561, 81.23 AF of Water Delivered through the Alhambra/MWD Exchange Agreement in January 2024 @ \$220 per AF		17,870.60
1219	Suburban Water System	Invoice No. 6753, Phase IIB Normal Operating Charge, February 2024		1,836.55
			TOTAL	\$ 937,082.74

April 10, 2024
General Fund

Board of Directors
Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District

Submitted herewith for action by the Board of Directors of the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District are the following demands on the District's General Fund Account at Citizens Business Bank:

22360	789, Inc.	Inv. USGV-428130, Marketing and Creative Services, April 2024 <i>(Board approved 7/12/23)</i>		\$ 5,575.00
22361	Aaron Read & Associates, LLC	Inv. 213286, State Legislative Advocacy Services, February 2024 <i>(Board approved 10/12/22)</i>		10,000.00
22362	ACWA	Inv. 04/10/24UD, 2024 Legislative Symposium Sponsorship		1,000.00
22363	ACWA/JPIA	Inv. 0702113, Health Insurance Premium - April 2024		29,496.09
22364	Aleshire & Wynder, LLP	Professional Services, February 2024 Inv. 844957, Transactional Fees Inv. 84958, Transactional Fees Inv. 84959, Retainer <i>(Board approved 04/13/22)</i>	2,392.50 40.60 <u>4,404.00</u>	6,837.10
22365	Civiltec Engineering, Inc	Inv. 49781, MWD Connection Study through Dec. 31, 2023 Inv. 50107, MWD Connection Study through Jan. 31, 2024 Inv. 50286, MWD Connection Study through Mar. 31, 2024	927.50 712.50 <u>1,712.50</u>	3,352.50
22366	Civic Publications, Inc.	Inv. 1831, Sustainable California Ad, March 2024		4,987.00
22367	Department of Water & Power	Inv. GA434800, Recycled Water Program Permit Fees, April 2024		83.33
22368	Dewey Pest Control, Inc.	Inv. 16536694, Pest Control Services, March 2024		112.00
22369	Diamond Environmental Services LP	Inv. 05/11/24UD, 2024 WaterFest Event Resrooms		4,323.10
22370	Discovery Science Center	Inv. 1895, Sustainable Watershed Education Program, Dec. - Jan. 2024 <i>(Board approved 07/08/20)</i>		5,820.00
22371	EcoTech Services, Inc.	Inv. 2976, Home Leak Repair Kits, March 2024 <i>(Board approved 06/08/22)</i>		1,350.00
22372	G3, Green Gardens Group, LLC	Inv. 1012, Design Seminar, March 2024 Inv. 1013, Leak Detection, March 2024 <i>(Board approved 03/08/23)</i>	1,750.00 <u>1,500.00</u>	3,250.00
22373	Howard's Appliances	Inv. 21225705, WaterFest 2024		826.85
22374	Image Property Services, LLC	Inv. MCS-11978, Janitorial Consumables, February 2024		242.75
22375	Industry Hills Charity Pro Rodeo	Inv. 24-065, 2024 Annual Industry Hills Charity Rodeo Sponsorship		500.00
22376	Joey C. Soto	Inv. 2024-UD-GA-JAN-113, Grant Writing Services, February 2024 <i>(Board approved 06/08/22)</i>		507.50
22377	La Opinion	Inv. 129490224, Spring Events Ads, February 2024		1,850.00
22378	Mad Science of Los Angeles	Inv. MSCLA-1630709, WaterFest 2024 Booths		1,286.00
22379	Orbit Event Rentals	Inv. Q40133, WaterFest 2024 - Rental Deposit <i>(Previously paid 04/04/24)</i>		12,721.00
22380	Promo Direct	Inv. N171940, District Logo Items Inv. N171985, District Logo Items	4,337.24 <u>5,148.18</u>	9,485.42
22381	Rene Burquan	Inv. 05/11/24UD-2, WaterFest Band Performer, Final		2,500.00
22382	Rogers, Anderson, Malody & Scott, LLP	Inv. 74472, Progress Payment for FY 22/23 State Controllers Report <i>(Board approved 2/09/22)</i>		685.00
22383	Set Medics, LLC	Inv. 5712, WaterFest 2024, Event Medic		390.00
22384	San Gabriel Valley Newspaper	Inv. 0000583314, Spring Events Ads		4,082.00

22385	Stetson Engineers, Inc.	Inv. 2533-214, General Engineering Support Services, January 2024 Inv. 2728-024, Integrated Resource Plan Update, January 2024	10,681.60 <u>688.50</u>	11,350.10
22386	State Water Resource Control Board	Inv. 050724 140, Package 4 Annual State Revolving Fund Loan Repayment		75,541.85
22387	Three Valleys MWD	Inv. LB699, Leadership Breakfast, February 2024		120.00
22388	Upper District Payroll Fund	Inv. FEB 24, Reimbursement of Payroll and Payroll Taxes for Employees Inv. FEB 24D, Reimbursement of Payroll Taxes for Directors	162,844.75 <u>10,770.19</u>	173,614.94
22389	Upper District Revolving Fund	Inv. MAR 24, Revolving Fund Account Replenishment - March 2024 Office Supplies Computer Systems/Equipment/Maintenance/Insurance/Outside Service Directors's Outreach Telephone/Utilities/Building Maintenance Meeting/Travel/Conferences/Dues/Assessments/Membership Water Conservation Program Expenses WRP Operation & Maintenance/Permits/Water Purchases/PM/Public Info Medical/ODA Reimbursement/Processing Fee/Others	638.15 631.06 200.00 5,693.11 5.99 1,251.18 17,830.76 <u>5,508.04</u>	31,758.29
22390	U.S. Bank Corporate Payment System	CalCard Changes through 03/22/24 Meetings, Travel, Conferences Computer Systems/Office Equipment/Supplies/Maintenance & Service/Utilities Conservation Program Expenses, Education and Outreach	5,656.53 3,915.41 <u>5,210.70</u>	14,782.64
22391	VC3, Inc.	Inv. 161075, IT Management Support, February 2024 Inv. INV6591VC3, IT Equipment Inv. W160918, Boardroom IT Equipment Installation (Board approved 10/11/23)	2,886.46 735.83 <u>500.00</u>	4,122.29
22392	Vibiana L Morales	Inv. INV0001, WaterFest 2024 Event Facepainter		390.00
22393	World Journal LA, LLC.	Inv. 3801112, Spring Events Ad		1,360.00
22394	Katarina Garcia	Director's Compensation, January 2024 5 Days District Business Meeting/Travel Expenses/Allowance Less Deferred Comp. Less Taxes Withheld	1,275.00 516.87 (500.00) <u>(175.33)</u>	1,116.54
22395	Katarina Garcia	Director's Compensation, February 2024 8 Days District Business Meeting/Travel Expenses/Allowance Less Deferred Comp. Less Taxes Withheld	2,040.00 516.87 (500.00) <u>(329.57)</u>	1,727.30
22396	Ed Chavez	Director's Compensation, March 2024 10 Days District Business Meeting/Travel Expenses/Allowance Less Deferred Comp. Less Taxes Withheld	2,550.00 516.87 (2,040.00) <u>(1,025.56)</u>	1.31
22397	Charles Treviño	Director's Compensation, March 2024 10 Days District Business Meeting/Travel Expenses/Allowance Less Deferred Comp. Less Taxes Withheld	2,550.00 516.87 (500.00) <u>(1,515.91)</u>	1,050.96
22398	Jennifer Santana	Director's Compensation, March 2024 6 Days District Business Meeting/Travel Expenses/Allowance Less Deferred Comp. Less Taxes Withheld	1,530.00 516.87 (500.00) <u>(210.61)</u>	1,336.26
22399	Katarina Garcia	Director's Compensation, March 2024 7 Days District Business Meeting/Travel Expenses/Allowance Less Deferred Comp. Less Taxes Withheld	1,785.00 516.87 (500.00) <u>(278.96)</u>	1,522.91
			TOTAL	<u>\$ 431,058.03</u>

Board of Directors
 Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District

Submitted herewith for action by the Board of Directors of the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District are the following demands on the District's Water Fund Account at Citizens Business Bank:

1220	Central Basin MWD	Invoice No. USGV-FEB24, Purchase of 0.7 AF of Recycled Water in January 2024 <i>(Previously paid 04/02/24)</i>	\$ 535.93
1221	City of Industry City Hall	Invoice No. FEB24O&M, O&M Cost Reconciliation for Jul - Dec 2023	42,143.55
1222	City of Industry City Hall	Invoice No. R02292024-D, Purchase of 1.7 AF of Recycled Water in February 2024	633.00
1223	City of Industry City Hall	Invoice No. R02292024-E, CIP Charge for February 2024 @ \$98 per AF	166.60
1224	Metropolitan Water District	Invoice No. 11427, Purchase of 135.2 AF of Treated Water in February 2024	165,881.20
1225	San Gabriel Valley MWD	Invoice No. 562, 46.41 AF of Water Delivered through the Alhambra/MWD Exchange Agreement in February 2024 @ \$220 per AF	10,210.20
1226	Suburban Water System	Invoice No. 6754, Phase IIB Normal Operating Charge, March 2024	1,836.55
			TOTAL \$ <u>221,407.03</u>

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UPPER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MWD
FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR FEBRUARY 29, 2024

Expenses	FY ACTUAL	FY ACTUAL	FY 2023-24	AMOUNT OF		PERCENT OF
	MONTH	YEAR-TO-DATE	BUDGET	BUDGET	REMAINING	BUDGET
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	REMAINING
Administrative Expenses	121,719	1,483,406	2,848,200	1,364,794		47.9%
Water Conservation Program	115,626	985,885	2,078,200	1,092,315		52.6%
Stormwater Program	3,558	28,484	42,700	14,236		33.3%
Water Recycling Program	322,908	1,128,808	2,178,200	1,049,392		48.2%
Water Quality and Supply Program	57,337	417,229	589,700	172,471		29.2%
Water Purchases	42,903,245	56,396,898	39,433,600	(16,963,298)		-43.0%
Operating Expenses	43,524,393	60,440,690	47,170,600	(13,270,090)		-28.1%
Operating Revenues	45,790,780	63,610,575	47,346,100	(16,264,475)		-34.4%
Net Reserve Activity from Operations (-/+)	2,266,387	3,169,885	175,500	n/a		n/a
Capital Expenditures	8,386	96,963	217,000	120,037		55.3%
Capital Program Revenues	-	-	-	-		0.0%
Net Change in Cash Due to Capital Outlays	(8,386)	(96,963)	(217,000)	n/a		n/a
Total Change in Fund Balances	\$ 2,258,001	\$ 3,072,922	\$ (41,500)	n/a		n/a

Comments

YTD expenses are consistent with budgeted numbers. Accrual for election cost amounting to \$0.50 million will be reported in June 2024.

Most MAA program expenses are anticipated to be incurred towards the end of the fiscal year.

YTD actuals are consistent with budgeted numbers.

As of February 29th, total recycled water purchases is 1,171 AF. February expenses include payment for FY 22/23 operation and maintenance expense and recycled water purchases from Sanitation Districts totaling 267K.

YTD actuals are consistent with budgeted numbers.

As of February 29th Upper District has delivered 1,892 AF of treated water and 61,601 AF of untreated water. February results include 49,728 AF of untreated water delivered in December 2023. YTD untreated water purchase is 66% higher than budget.

As of February 29th, total untreated water sales is 61,601 AF, 66% higher than budget. February results include 49,728 AF of untreated water sold in December 2023.

UPPER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET COMPARISON
PERIOD ENDED FEBRUARY 29, 2024

	FY ACTUAL MONTH	FY ACTUAL YEAR-TO-DATE	FY 2023-24 BUDGET	AMOUNT OF BUDGET REMAINING	PERCENT OF BUDGET REMAINING
ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATING REVENUES					
Water Rate Revenues					
Tier 1 Treated	370,484	2,240,746	3,692,100	1,451,354	39%
Tier 1 Untreated	42,517,406	51,918,443	31,635,000	(20,283,443)	-64%
Upper Surcharge Tier 1 Treated	30,260	212,051	309,000	96,949	31%
Upper Surcharge Tier 1 Untreated	2,473,617	3,832,109	3,811,000	(21,109)	-1%
MWD Capacity Charge Revenue	54,040	232,430	353,200	120,770	34%
Gross MWD Standby Charge-Revenue Reconciliation	-	1,174,512	1,950,000	775,488	40%
MSGB Watermaster-Ready-to-Serve	6,300	50,400	75,600	25,200	33%
Sub Total	45,452,107	59,660,691	41,825,900	(17,834,791)	-43%
Revolving Revenue					
MSGB Watermaster-SG River Watermaster	-	98,500	105,000	6,500	6%
Sub Total	-	98,500	105,000	6,500	6%
Other Administrative Revenues					
Interest/Investment Earnings	(6,158)	451,961	83,900	(368,061)	-439%
Taxes	31,878	478,626	500,000	21,374	4%
Other Income (Loss)	2,741	21,315	26,400	5,085	19%
Sub Total	28,461	951,902	610,300	(341,602)	-56%
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE REVENUES	45,480,568	60,711,093	42,541,200	(18,169,893)	-43%
CAPITAL PROJECT FUND REVENUES					
Recycled Water Revenues					
Recycled Water Sales	14,177	284,155	624,000	339,845	54%
Upper Recycled Water Surcharge Revenue	61,458	958,465	1,323,000	364,535	28%
Metropolitan Water District LRP Funds	7,285	84,438	128,000	43,562	34%
Parcel/Standby Charge	202,060	1,276,793	2,050,000	773,207	38%
Interest/Investment Earnings	(488)	30,069	14,300	(15,769)	-110%
Sub Total	284,492	2,633,920	4,139,300	1,505,380	36%
Water Conservation Revenues					
Conservation Program Contributions	26,409	208,543	585,000	376,457	64%
Sub Total	26,409	208,543	585,000	376,457	64%
TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECT FUND REVENUES	310,901	2,842,463	4,724,300	1,881,837	40%
OTHER FUND REVENUES					
Water Quality and Supply Program Revenues					
Interest/Investment Earnings	(450)	39,219	75,200	35,981	48%
Sub Total	(450)	39,219	75,200	35,981	48%
Rate Stabilization Fund Revenues					
Interest/Investment Earnings	(239)	17,800	5,400	(12,400)	-230%
Sub Total	(239)	17,800	5,400	(12,400)	-230%
TOTAL OTHER FUND REVENUES	(689)	57,019	80,600	23,581	29%
TOTAL REVENUES	45,790,780	63,610,575	47,346,100	(16,264,475)	-34%

UPPER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET COMPARISON
PERIOD ENDED FEBRUARY 29, 2024

	FY ACTUAL MONTH	FY ACTUAL YEAR-TO-DATE	FY 2023-24 BUDGET	AMOUNT OF BUDGET REMAINING	PERCENT OF BUDGET REMAINING
ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATING EXPENSES					
33% @2-29-24					
Personnel Expenses					
Employee Salaries	117,116	954,235	1,455,000	500,765	34%
Employee Benefits	27,921	171,818	288,000	116,182	40%
Retired Employee Benefits	10,235	80,055	103,000	22,945	22%
Employee Travel/Conference	4,417	16,874	50,000	33,126	66%
Sub Total	159,689	1,222,982	1,896,000	673,018	35%
Director Expenses					
Director Compensation	8,436	113,791	216,000	102,209	47%
Director Benefits	10,770	98,958	155,000	56,042	36%
Retired Director Benefits	1,237	9,758	33,000	23,242	70%
Director Public Outreach	-	9,940	25,000	15,060	60%
Director Travel/Conference	(494)	20,003	50,000	29,997	60%
Sub Total	19,949	252,450	479,000	226,550	47%
Pension Expense					
CalPERS-Employees, Directors, Retirees	16,696	268,641	500,000	231,359	46%
Sub Total	16,696	268,641	500,000	231,359	46%
Office Expenses					
Office Supplies/Equipment	478	14,332	40,000	25,668	64%
Equipment Operations & Maintenance	408	7,220	26,000	18,780	72%
Computer Systems	7,349	31,940	60,000	28,060	47%
Dues and Assessments	-	78,463	75,000	(3,463)	-5%
Meeting Expense	3,134	13,162	35,000	21,838	62%
Sub Total	11,369	145,117	236,000	90,883	39%
Facility Expenses					
Building Maintenance	3,199	36,466	45,000	8,534	19%
Liability/Property Insurance	-	67,855	65,000	(2,855)	-4%
Telephone/Utilities	3,249	30,142	45,000	14,858	33%
Sub Total	6,448	134,463	155,000	20,537	13%
Professional Services					
Legal/Financial	6,962	51,527	112,000	60,473	54%
Engineering	3,869	52,944	145,000	92,056	63%
Auditor	-	28,725	31,000	2,275	7%
Outside Services	2,095	56,655	55,000	(1,655)	-3%
Public Information/Outreach	-	970	3,500	2,530	72%
Sub Total	12,926	190,821	346,500	155,679	45%
Other Expenses					
Election Costs	-	111,796	500,000	388,204	78%
Sub Total	-	111,796	500,000	388,204	78%
Allocation to Projects and Programs					
Salaries/Overhead Allocated to Projects	(105,358)	(842,864)	(1,264,300)	(421,436)	33%
Sub Total	(105,358)	(842,864)	(1,264,300)	(421,436)	33%
TOTAL	121,719	1,483,406	2,848,200	1,364,794	48%
Water Purchases					
Tier 1 Treated	385,839	2,364,331	3,692,100	1,327,769	36%
Tier 1 Untreated	42,517,406	51,918,443	31,635,000	(20,283,443)	-64%
MWD Capacity Charge	-	171,720	353,200	181,480	51%
MWD Ready-to-Serve Charge	-	1,843,904	3,648,300	1,804,396	49%
Sub Total	42,903,245	56,298,398	39,328,600	(16,969,798)	-43%
Revolving Expenses					
San Gabriel River Watermaster	-	98,500	105,000	6,500	6%
Sub Total	-	98,500	105,000	6,500	6%
TOTAL	42,903,245	56,396,898	39,433,600	(16,963,298)	-43%
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	43,024,964	57,880,304	42,281,800	(15,598,504)	-37%

UPPER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET COMPARISON
PERIOD ENDED FEBRUARY 29, 2024

	FY ACTUAL MONTH	FY ACTUAL YEAR-TO-DATE	FY 2023-24 BUDGET	AMOUNT OF BUDGET REMAINING	PERCENT OF BUDGET REMAINING
RECYCLED WATER PROGRAM EXPENSES					
					33% @2-29-24
Water Purchases-Recycled Water	209,151	376,366	624,000	247,634	40%
SWRCB Loan Repayment	-	188,281	791,000	602,719	76%
Salaries and Overhead Allocation	5,433	43,464	65,200	21,736	33%
Standby Charge Development/Implementation	14,400	18,200	18,500	300	2%
Engineering - General	1,320	11,880	52,500	40,620	77%
Lobbyist	7,500	60,000	95,000	35,000	37%
Legal and Financial	-	240	3,000	2,760	92%
Public Information	-	1,597	5,000	3,403	68%
Operation and Maintenance Phase I/IIA	79,248	314,636	361,000	46,364	13%
Operation and Maintenance Phase IIB	5,856	114,144	163,000	48,856	30%
Sub Total	322,908	1,128,808	2,178,200	1,049,392	48%
TOTAL RECYCLED WATER EXPENSES	322,908	1,128,808	2,178,200	1,049,392	48%
CAPITAL PROGRAM EXPENSES					
San Gabriel Valley Water Recycling Project					
Direct Reuse Program	-	-	100,000	100,000	100%
USG Connections	-	-	15,000	15,000	100%
Legal and Financial	-	-	2,000	2,000	100%
Sub Total	-	-	117,000	117,000	100%
Other Capital Program Expenses					
District Headquarters	8,386	96,963	100,000	3,037	3%
Sub Total	8,386	96,963	100,000	3,037	3%
TOTAL CAPITAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	8,386	96,963	217,000	120,037	55%
STORMWATER PROGRAM EXPENSES					
Stormwater Program					
Salaries and Overhead Allocation	3,558	28,464	42,700	14,236	33%
Sub Total	3,558	28,464	42,700	14,236	33%
TOTAL STORMWATER EXPENSES	3,558	28,464	42,700	14,236	33%

UPPER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET COMPARISON
PERIOD ENDED FEBRUARY 29, 2024

	FY ACTUAL MONTH	FY ACTUAL YEAR-TO-DATE	FY 2023-24 BUDGET	AMOUNT OF BUDGET REMAINING	PERCENT OF BUDGET REMAINING
WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM EXPENSES					
WATER USE EFFICIENCY					
<u>Residential Programs</u>					
Member Agency Administered Programs	3,166	18,786	335,000	316,214	94%
Regional Rebate Program	640	78,545	40,000	(38,545)	-96%
Sub Total	3,806	97,331	375,000	277,669	74%
<u>Commercial/Industrial/Institution Programs</u>					
Member Agency Administered Programs	-	86,699	210,000	123,301	59%
Regional Rebate Program	-	-	-	-	0%
Sub Total	-	86,699	210,000	123,301	59%
<u>Allocation to Conservation Programs</u>					
Salaries & Overhead	20,942	167,536	251,300	83,764	33%
Sub Total	20,942	167,536	251,300	83,764	33%
TOTAL WATER USE EFFICIENCY EXPENSES	24,748	351,566	836,300	484,734	58%
EDUCATION & COMMUNITY OUTREACH					
<u>Watershed Programs</u>					
Natural Vegetation Restoration Program	-	44	20,000	19,956	100%
Sub Total	-	44	20,000	19,956	100%
<u>Educational Programs</u>					
Water Awareness Youth Art Contests	-	-	11,000	11,000	100%
Educational Activities	-	7,570	60,000	52,430	87%
Memberships	27,485	123,505	135,000	11,495	9%
Educational Materials/Grant Program	1,000	18,648	55,000	36,352	66%
Educational Outreach Programs/Events	2,053	11,588	150,000	138,412	92%
Sub Total	30,538	161,311	411,000	249,689	61%
<u>Outreach and Information Programs</u>					
Public Workshops/Seminars	-	8,561	40,000	31,439	79%
Conservation Devices/Items	421	12,037	40,000	27,963	70%
Bottled Water Program	561	10,437	15,500	5,063	33%
Community/Industry Sponsorships	4,500	18,800	35,000	16,200	46%
Displays/Fairs/Presentations	-	2,057	5,000	2,943	59%
Conferences/Meetings	407	4,181	7,000	2,819	40%
Public Information	6,393	40,271	100,000	59,729	60%
Technical Assistance	6,258	48,737	70,000	21,263	30%
Legal/Financial	1,100	2,283	10,000	7,717	77%
Sub Total	19,640	147,364	322,500	175,136	54%
<u>Allocation to Conservation Programs</u>					
Salaries & Overhead	40,700	325,600	488,400	162,800	33%
Sub Total	40,700	325,600	488,400	162,800	33%
TOTAL EDUCATION & COMMUNITY OUTREACH EXPENSES	90,878	634,319	1,241,900	607,581	49%
TOTAL WATER CONSERVATION EXPENSES	115,626	985,885	2,078,200	1,092,315	53%
WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY PROGRAM EXPENSES					
<u>Policy 9-00-8 Groundwater Remediation Projects</u>					
Engineering for Water Supply Projects	12,159	66,732	32,000	(34,732)	-109%
Legislative Consultant	10,000	70,000	130,000	60,000	46%
Sub Total	22,159	136,732	162,000	25,268	16%
<u>Other Expenses</u>					
Water Supply Reliability Plan/Emergency Preparedness	-	-	5,000	5,000	100%
Legal and Financial	83	2,327	6,000	3,673	61%
Salaries and Overhead Allocation	34,725	277,800	416,700	138,900	33%
Sub Total	35,178	280,497	427,700	147,203	34%
TOTAL WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY EXPENSES	57,337	417,229	589,700	172,471	29%
TOTAL EXPENSES	43,532,779	60,537,653	47,387,600	(13,150,053)	-28%

**UPPER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
SUMMARY OF CASH AND INVESTMENTS
February 29, 2024**

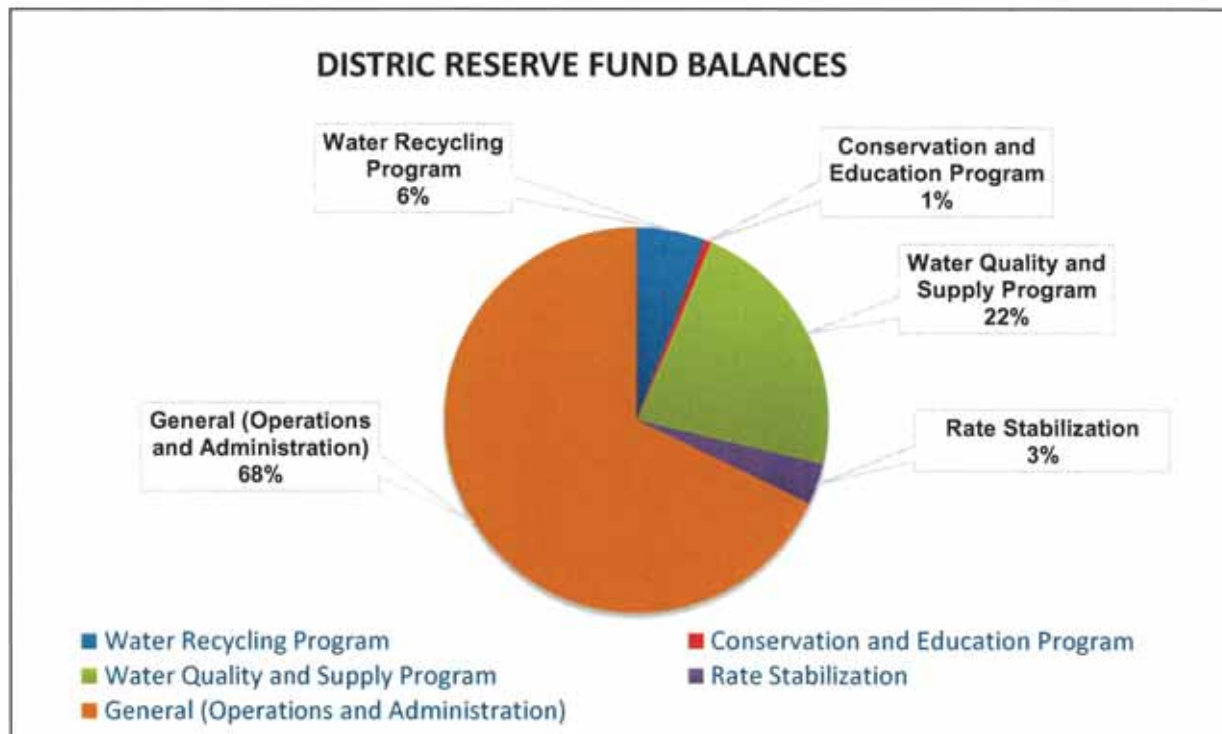
CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES

	<u>Amount (\$)</u>
Cash Account Balances	
General Fund-Checking	\$ 515,765.72
Water Fund-Checking	156,936.08
Revolving Fund	79,506.61
Revolving Payroll Fund	173,952.97
Total Cash Account Balances	<u>\$ 926,161.38</u>
Investment Account Balances	
	<u>Market Value</u>
Local Agency Investment Fund	\$ 12,485,158.04
Other Investments	5,771,408.77
Total Investment Account Balances	<u>\$ 18,256,566.81</u>
	<u>Cost/Book Value</u>
	\$ 12,485,158.04
	5,814,233.24
	<u>\$ 18,299,391.28</u>
Total Cash and Investment Balances	<u><u>\$ 19,182,728.19</u></u>

DISTRICT FUND BALANCES

Capital Program Fund:	
Water Recycling Program	\$ 1,108,661.00
Conservation and Education Program	115,864.00
Water Quality and Supply Program	4,279,388.00
Sub Total	<u>5,503,913.00</u>
Rate Stabilization Fund	660,748.00
General Fund (Operations and Administration)	13,018,067.19
Total Fund Balances	<u><u>\$ 19,182,728.19</u></u>

MANAGEMENT STATEMENT: It is the opinion of management that all fund balances are in compliance with all applicable statutes and the current investment policy of the District. It is also the opinion of management that projected cash flow liquidity is adequate to meet the next six months of expected obligations of the District.



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 WATER DISTRICT
 GENERAL MANAGER
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Account Number: 90-19-021

February 2024 Statement

Effective Date	Transaction Date	Tran Type	Confirm Number	Web Confirm Number	Authorized Caller	Amount
2/20/2024	2/15/2024	RD	1748186	N/A	EVELYN RODRIGUEZ	45,000,000.00
2/27/2024	2/20/2024	RW	1748278	N/A	EVELYN RODRIGUEZ	-46,000,000.00

Account Summary

Total Deposit:	45,000,000.00	Beginning Balance:	13,485,158.04
Total Withdrawal:	-46,000,000.00	Ending Balance:	12,485,158.04



MONTHLY ACCOUNT STATEMENT

Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District | Account #10214 | As of February 29, 2024

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PORTFOLIO SUMMARY



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Portfolio Characteristics

Average Modified Duration	1.23
Average Coupon	2.94%
Average Purchase YTM	3.17%
Average Market YTM	5.05%
Average Quality	AAA
Average Final Maturity	1.33
Average Life	1.33

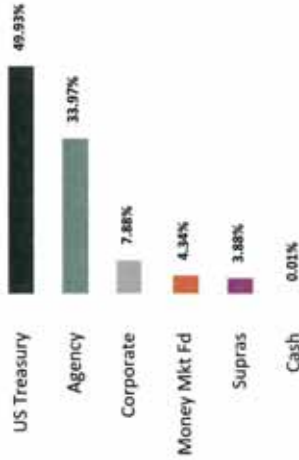
Account Summary

	Bejj. Values as of 02/01/2024	End Values as of 02/29/2024
Market Value	5,270,262.45	5,259,522.25
Accrued Interest	37,257.97	41,390.03
Total Market Value	5,307,520.42	5,300,912.29
Income Earned	13,175.64	13,405.30
Cont/WD	0.00	0.00
Par	5,319,965.57	5,327,489.20
Book Value	5,308,751.37	5,317,195.89
Cost Value	5,303,829.55	5,311,622.06

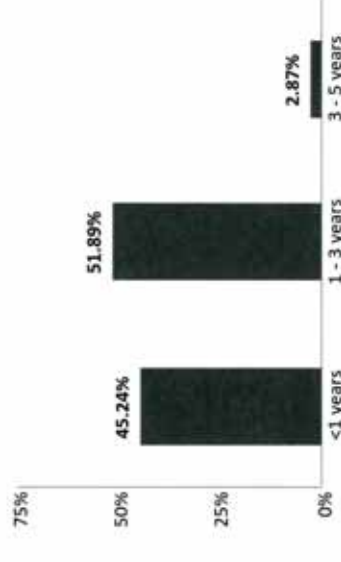
Top Issuers

United States	49.93%
Farm Credit System	20.23%
Federal Home Loan Banks	13.74%
First American Govt Oblig fund	4.34%
Inter-American Development Bank	2.84%
The Bank of New York Mellon Corporat	1.23%
Walmart Inc.	1.22%
Microsoft Corporation	1.20%

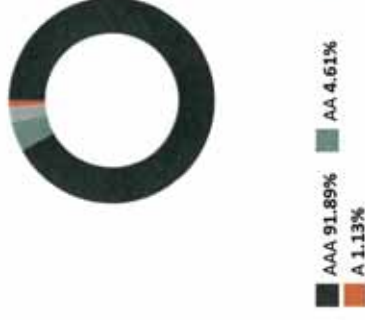
Sector Allocation



Maturity Distribution



Credit Quality



*See Footnote

Performance Review

Total Rate of Return	1M	3M	YTD	1YR	2YRS	3YRS	5YRS	10YRS	Since Inception (06/01/14)
Upper San Gabriel VMWD	(0.11%)	1.21%	0.29%	4.79%	1.74%	0.82%	1.58%	--	1.27%
Benchmark Return*	(0.17%)	1.14%	0.22%	4.58%	1.57%	0.68%	1.48%	--	1.17%

*Periods over 1 year are annualized.
 Benchmark: ICE BofA 0-3 Year US Treasury Index Secondary Benchmark:
 The credit quality is a weighted average calculation of the highest of S&P, Moody's, and Fitch
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Rules Name	Limit	Actual	Compliance Status	Notes
COLLATERALIZED BANK DEPOSITS				
Max Maturity (Years)	1.0	0.0	Compliant	
Min Rating (F1 by Fitch if > FDIC Limit)	0.0	0.0	Compliant	
COLLATERALIZED TIME DEPOSITS (NON-NEGOTIABLE CD/TD)				
Max Maturity (Years)	1.0	0.0	Compliant	
Min Rating (F1 by Fitch if > FDIC Limit)	0.0	0.0	Compliant	
CORPORATE MEDIUM TERM NOTES				
Max % (MV)	30.0	7.9	Compliant	
Max % Issuer (MV)	5.0	1.2	Compliant	
Max Maturity (Years)	5	1	Compliant	
Min Rating (A- by 1 if < 2 Years; AA- if > 2 Years)	0.0	0.0	Compliant	
FDIC INSURED TIME DEPOSITS (NON-NEGOTIABLE CD/TD)				
Max Maturity (Years)	1	0.0	Compliant	
FEDERAL AGENCIES				
Max % (MV)	60.0	34.1	Compliant	
Max Maturity (Years)	5	4	Compliant	
LOCAL AGENCY INVESTMENT FUND (LAIF)				
Max Concentration (MV)	75.0	0.0	Compliant	
LOCAL GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT POOL (LGIP)				
Max % (MV)	100.0	0.0	Compliant	
MONEY MARKET MUTUAL FUNDS				
Max % (MV)	20.0	4.3	Compliant	
Max % Issuer (MV)	20.0	4.3	Compliant	
Min Rating (AAA by 2)	0.0	0.0	Compliant	
NEGOTIABLE CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT (NCD)				
Max % (MV)	30.0	0.0	Compliant	
Max Maturity (Years)	1	0.0	Compliant	
Min Rating (F1 by Fitch if > FDIC Limit)	0.0	0.0	Compliant	
SUPRANATIONAL OBLIGATIONS				
Max % (MV)	30.0	3.9	Compliant	
Max % Issuer (MV)	10.0	2.8	Compliant	
Max Maturity (Years)	5	2	Compliant	

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Min Rating (AA- by 1)	0.0	0.0	Compliant	
U.S. TREASURIES				
Max % (MV)	100.0	49.8	Compliant	
Max Maturity (Years)	5	2	Compliant	

RECONCILIATION SUMMARY

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Maturities / Calls	
Month to Date	(185,000.00)
Fiscal Year to Date	(1,510,000.00)
Principal Paydowns	
Month to Date	0.00
Fiscal Year to Date	0.00
Purchases	
Month to Date	193,352.35
Fiscal Year to Date	2,941,729.13

Accrual Activity Summary	
Month to Date	Fiscal Year to Date (07/01/2023)
Beginning Book Value	5,308,751.37
Maturities/Calls	(185,000.00)
Principal Paydowns	0.00
Purchases	193,352.35
Sales	(633.82)
Change in Cash, Payables, Receivables	(194.90)
Amortization/Accretion	920.89
Realized Gain (Loss)	0.00
Ending Book Value	5,317,195.89

Fair Market Activity Summary	
Month to Date	Fiscal Year to Date (07/01/2023)
Beginning Market Value	5,270,262.45
Maturities/Calls	(185,000.00)
Principal Paydowns	0.00
Purchases	193,352.35
Sales	(633.82)
Change in Cash, Payables, Receivables	(194.90)
Amortization/Accretion	920.89
Change in Net Unrealized Gain (Loss)	(19,184.72)
Realized Gain (Loss)	0.00
Ending Market Value	5,259,522.25

Fair Market Activity Summary	
Month to Date	Fiscal Year to Date (07/01/2023)
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Maturities/Calls	(185,000.00)
Principal Paydowns	0.00
Purchases	193,352.35
Sales	(633.82)
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Amortization/Accretion	920.89
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Realized Gain (Loss)	0.00
Ending Market Value	5,259,522.25

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3130A0XE5	FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANKS 3.25 03/08/2024	70,000.00	06/13/2022 3.23%	70,016.80 70,000.19	99.95 6.62%	69,968.04 1,093.26	1.33% (32.14)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.02 0.02
3130ASD55	FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANKS 2.75 06/28/2024	60,000.00	06/09/2022 2.86%	59,860.80 59,977.89	99.14 5.58%	59,482.40 288.75	1.13% (495.48)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.33 0.32
3130ATT31	FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANKS 4.5 10/03/2024	75,000.00	10/27/2022 4.56%	74,918.25 74,974.99	99.56 5.28%	74,673.23 1,387.50	1.42% (301.76)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.59 0.56
3133ENS43	FEDERAL FARM CREDIT BANKS FUNDING CORP 4.375 10/17/2024	100,000.00	10/11/2022 4.44%	99,875.00 99,960.67	99.47 5.32%	99,469.52 1,628.47	1.89% (491.15)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.63 0.60
3130AQF40	FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANKS 1.0 12/20/2024	75,000.00	12/21/2021 1.03%	74,934.00 74,982.26	96.78 5.23%	72,583.20 147.92	1.38% (2,399.06)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.81 0.78
3133ENK58	FEDERAL FARM CREDIT BANKS FUNDING CORP 1.125 01/06/2025	40,000.00	01/06/2022 1.20%	39,910.00 39,974.34	96.70 5.22%	38,679.03 68.75	0.74% (1,295.32)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.85 0.82
3133ENPG9	FEDERAL FARM CREDIT BANKS FUNDING CORP 1.75 02/14/2025	70,000.00	02/10/2022 1.84%	69,813.10 69,940.26	96.91 5.21%	67,840.22 57.85	1.29% (2,100.04)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.96 0.92
3133ENPY0	FEDERAL FARM CREDIT BANKS FUNDING CORP 1.75 02/25/2025	100,000.00	03/09/2022 1.90%	99,578.00 99,859.20	96.77 5.14%	96,766.68 29.17	1.84% (3,092.52)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.99 0.95
3130AUZC1	FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANKS 4.625 03/14/2025	100,000.00	03/23/2023 4.18%	100,823.00 100,431.48	99.59 5.04%	99,593.52 2,145.49	1.89% (837.96)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.04 0.98
3133EPC37	FEDERAL FARM CREDIT BANKS FUNDING CORP 4.875 11/13/2025	100,000.00	11/27/2023 4.93%	99,891.00 99,905.31	100.18 4.75%	100,175.20 1,462.50	1.90% 269.88	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.71 1.59
3133EPL37	FEDERAL FARM CREDIT BANKS FUNDING CORP 4.625 12/08/2025	100,000.00	12/18/2023 4.50%	100,230.00 100,206.68	99.79 4.74%	99,790.62 1,066.32	1.90% (416.07)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.77 1.66
3133EPW68	FEDERAL FARM CREDIT BANKS FUNDING CORP 4.125 01/22/2026	100,000.00	01/24/2024 4.40%	99,490.00 99,515.22	98.93 4.72%	98,925.74 446.88	1.88% (589.48)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.90 1.79
3133EN7J3	FEDERAL FARM CREDIT BANKS FUNDING CORP 3.875 02/02/2026	69,000.00	02/15/2023 4.51%	67,798.71 68,219.49	98.51 4.69%	67,974.17 215.39	1.29% (245.33)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.93 1.82
3133EPCF0	FEDERAL FARM CREDIT BANKS FUNDING CORP 4.5 03/02/2026	100,000.00	03/23/2023 3.97%	101,445.00 100,983.52	99.71 4.68%	99,714.38 2,237.50	1.90% (1,269.13)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	2.01 1.85
3133EPT7	FEDERAL FARM CREDIT BANKS FUNDING CORP 3.75 04/13/2026	100,000.00	04/10/2023 3.99%	99,332.00 99,528.86	98.32 4.59%	98,323.58 1,437.50	1.87% (1,205.29)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	2.12 1.98
3130AWLZ1	FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANKS 4.75 06/12/2026	90,000.00	07/19/2023 4.45%	90,720.00 90,566.88	100.33 4.59%	90,298.80 938.12	1.72% (268.09)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	2.28 2.12
3133EPZY4	FEDERAL FARM CREDIT BANKS FUNDING CORP 5.0 07/30/2026	100,000.00	10/30/2023 5.01%	99,970.00 99,973.65	101.02 4.54%	101,015.41 430.56	1.92% 1,041.76	Aaa/AA+ AA+	2.42 2.24

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3133EPUW3	FEDERAL FARM CREDIT BANKS FUNDING CORP 4.75 09/01/2026	95,000.00	10/23/2023 4.99%	94,392.00 94,467.20	100.46 4.55%	95,437.88 2,256.25	1.81% 970.68	Aaa/AA+ AA+	2.51 2.33
3130AXU63	FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANKS 4.625 11/17/2026	105,000.00	11/16/2023 4.69%	104,814.15 104,831.96	100.42 4.42%	105,443.98 1,402.92	2.00% 612.02	Aaa/AA+ AA+	2.72 2.49
3130AWTR1	FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANKS 4.375 09/08/2028	150,000.00	09/15/2023 4.51%	149,059.50 149,144.91	100.48 4.36%	150,715.61 3,773.44	2.87% 1,570.71	Aaa/AA+ AA+	4.53 3.96
Total Agency		1,799,000.00	3.95%	1,796,871.31 1,797,444.96	99.34 4.89%	1,786,871.22 22,514.52	33.97% (10,573.73)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.80 1.66
CASH									
CCYUSD	Receivable	401.82	-- 0.00%	401.82 401.82	1.00 0.00%	401.82 0.00	0.01% 0.00	Aaa/AAA AAA	0.00 0.00
Total Cash		401.82	0.00%	401.82 401.82	1.00 0.00%	401.82 0.00	0.01% 0.00	Aaa/AAA AAA	0.00 0.00
CORPORATE									
09247XAL5	BLACKROCK INC 3.5 03/18/2024	50,000.00	05/11/2022 2.83%	50,606.50 50,015.27	99.91 5.59%	49,957.03 792.36	0.95% (58.24)	Aa3/AA- NA	0.05 0.05
023135BW5	AMAZON.COM INC 0.45 05/12/2024	40,000.00	05/10/2021 0.50%	39,941.60 39,996.16	99.06 5.77%	39,625.72 54.50	0.75% (370.44)	A1/AA AA-	0.20 0.20
69371RR81	PACCAR FINANCIAL CORP 3.15 06/13/2024	60,000.00	06/06/2022 3.16%	59,986.20 59,998.04	99.33 5.56%	59,596.14 409.50	1.13% (401.89)	A1/A+ NA	0.29 0.28
037833BG4	APPLE INC 3.2 05/13/2025	50,000.00	05/11/2022 3.02%	50,260.50 50,104.11	97.92 5.03%	48,957.66 480.00	0.93% (1,146.44)	Aaa/AA+ NA	1.20 1.15
06406RBF3	BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON CORP 3.43 06/13/2025	65,000.00	06/08/2022 3.43%	65,000.00 65,000.00	99.24 6.03%	64,506.16 483.06	1.23% (493.84)	A1/A AA-	1.29 0.28
194162AM5	COLGATE-PALMOLIVE CO 3.1 08/15/2025	25,000.00	08/01/2022 3.13%	24,977.00 24,991.26	97.49 4.94%	24,373.65 34.44	0.46% (617.61)	Aa3/AA- NA	1.46 1.40
931142EW9	WALMART INC 3.9 09/09/2025	65,000.00	-- 3.84%	65,103.50 65,053.59	98.47 4.92%	64,004.80 1,211.17	1.22% (1,048.79)	Aa2/AA AA	1.53 1.43
594918BJ2	MICROSOFT CORP 3.125 11/03/2025	65,000.00	01/24/2023 4.28%	63,051.30 63,821.53	97.20 4.88%	63,178.67 665.80	1.20% (642.86)	Aaa/AAA WR	1.68 1.59
Total Corporate		420,000.00	3.16%	418,926.60 418,979.97	98.63 5.36%	414,199.85 4,130.83	7.88% (4,780.12)	Aa3/AA- AA-	0.99 0.79

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MONEY MARKET FUND									
31846V203	FIRST AMER-GVT OBLG Y	228,087.38	-- 4.91%	228,087.38 228,087.38	1.00 4.91%	228,087.38 0.00	4.34% 0.00	Aaa/ AAAm AAA	0.00 0.00
Total Money Market Fund		228,087.38	4.91%	228,087.38 228,087.38	1.00 4.91%	228,087.38 0.00	4.34% 0.00	Aaa/AAAm AAA	0.00 0.00
SUPRANATIONAL									
4581X0EE4	INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK 3.25 07/01/2024	50,000.00	06/22/2022 3.25%	49,995.00 49,999.48	99.27 5.55%	49,635.49 270.83	0.94% (363.99)	Aaa/AAA NA	0.34 0.33
4581X0EK0	INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK 4.5 05/15/2026	100,000.00	06/27/2023 4.53%	99,923.00 99,940.63	99.65 4.70%	99,645.23 1,325.00	1.89% (295.40)	Aaa/AAA NA	2.21 2.05
45950KDF4	INTERNATIONAL FINANCE CORP 4.375 01/15/2027	55,000.00	11/29/2023 4.49%	54,820.70 54,834.27	99.62 4.57%	54,790.90 307.47	1.04% (43.37)	Aaa/AAA NA	2.88 2.66
Total Supranational		205,000.00	4.21%	204,738.70 204,774.38	99.55 4.87%	204,071.62 1,903.30	3.88% (702.76)	Aaa/AAA NA	1.93 1.80
US TREASURY									
91282CBR1	UNITED STATES TREASURY 0.25 03/15/2024	100,000.00	03/10/2021 0.33%	99,769.53 99,997.06	99.80 6.72%	99,802.36 115.38	1.90% (194.69)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.04 0.04
912797JM0	UNITED STATES TREASURY 04/09/2024	125,000.00	12/21/2023 5.35%	123,108.72 124,297.52	99.43 5.18%	124,282.97 0.00	2.36% (14.56)	P-1/A-1+ F1+	0.11 0.11
91282CBV2	UNITED STATES TREASURY 0.375 04/15/2024	100,000.00	04/14/2021 0.36%	100,035.16 100,001.44	99.39 5.84%	99,385.69 141.39	1.89% (615.75)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.13 0.12
91282CCC3	UNITED STATES TREASURY 0.25 05/15/2024	100,000.00	05/12/2021 0.35%	99,707.03 99,979.91	98.96 5.65%	98,957.03 73.49	1.88% (1,022.88)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.21 0.20
91282CCG4	UNITED STATES TREASURY 0.25 06/15/2024	100,000.00	06/09/2021 0.31%	99,820.31 99,982.62	98.54 5.59%	98,539.06 52.60	1.87% (1,443.56)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.29 0.29
91282CCL3	UNITED STATES TREASURY 0.375 07/13/2021	100,000.00	07/13/2021 0.42%	99,863.28 99,983.04	98.18 5.48%	98,183.59 47.39	1.87% (1,799.44)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.38 0.37
912828YE4	UNITED STATES TREASURY 1.25 08/31/2024	100,000.00	08/05/2021 0.39%	102,605.47 100,425.33	98.03 5.45%	98,031.25 3.40	1.86% (2,394.08)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.50 0.48
91282CCX7	UNITED STATES TREASURY 0.375 09/15/2024	100,000.00	09/10/2021 0.44%	99,804.69 99,964.72	97.41 5.43%	97,414.06 173.08	1.85% (2,550.65)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.54 0.52

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91282CDB4	UNITED STATES TREASURY 0.625 10/15/2024	100,000.00	10/14/2021 0.63%	99,992.19 99,999.17	97.20 5.33%	97,203.12 235.66	1.85% (2,796.04)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.63 0.61
912828VM6	UNITED STATES TREASURY 1.5 10/31/2024	100,000.00	09/23/2021 0.52%	103,003.91 100,646.92	97.59 5.29%	97,589.84 502.75	1.86% (3,057.07)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.67 0.64
91282CDH1	UNITED STATES TREASURY 0.75 11/15/2024	100,000.00	11/29/2021 0.81%	99,816.41 99,956.01	96.96 5.25%	96,964.84 220.47	1.84% (2,991.17)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.71 0.69
912828YV6	UNITED STATES TREASURY 1.5 11/30/2024	75,000.00	09/29/2021 0.57%	77,188.48 75,518.27	97.30 5.25%	72,978.52 282.79	1.39% (2,539.76)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.75 0.73
91282CDN8	UNITED STATES TREASURY 1.0 12/15/2024	100,000.00	12/09/2021 1.00%	100,003.91 100,000.59	96.81 5.20%	96,812.50 210.38	1.84% (3,188.09)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.79 0.77
91282CD57	UNITED STATES TREASURY 1.125 01/15/2025	100,000.00	03/16/2022 2.05%	97,437.50 99,207.73	96.64 5.12%	96,640.62 142.17	1.84% (2,567.10)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	0.88 0.85
912828ZF0	UNITED STATES TREASURY 0.5 03/31/2025	100,000.00	04/04/2022 2.60%	99,921.88 97,799.40	95.30 5.02%	95,304.69 209.02	1.81% (2,494.71)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.08 1.05
91282CEH0	UNITED STATES TREASURY 2.625 04/15/2025	100,000.00	04/27/2022 2.72%	99,738.28 99,900.92	97.44 4.99%	97,437.50 989.75	1.85% (2,463.42)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.13 1.08
91282CEQ0	UNITED STATES TREASURY 2.75 05/15/2025	100,000.00	06/01/2022 2.84%	99,738.28 99,893.17	97.47 4.96%	97,468.75 808.38	1.85% (2,424.42)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.21 1.16
91282CEY3	UNITED STATES TREASURY 3.0 07/15/2025	100,000.00	09/29/2022 4.26%	96,667.97 98,361.78	97.55 4.87%	97,550.78 379.12	1.85% (811.00)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.38 1.32
91282CFE6	UNITED STATES TREASURY 3.125 08/15/2025	100,000.00	05/31/2023 4.32%	97,503.91 98,352.46	97.64 4.85%	97,636.72 128.78	1.86% (715.74)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.46 1.40
91282CFP1	UNITED STATES TREASURY 4.25 10/15/2025	120,000.00	12/12/2022 4.15%	120,318.75 120,182.28	99.20 4.76%	119,034.37 1,922.95	2.26% (1,147.90)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.63 1.52
91282CGA3	UNITED STATES TREASURY 4.0 12/15/2025	120,000.00	12/15/2022 3.95%	120,150.00 120,089.59	98.78 4.75%	118,532.81 1,009.84	2.25% (1,556.78)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.79 1.69
91282CGE5	UNITED STATES TREASURY 3.875 01/15/2026	45,000.00	01/24/2023 3.89%	44,977.15 44,986.46	98.57 4.71%	44,356.64 220.36	0.84% (629.82)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.88 1.77
91282CHB0	UNITED STATES TREASURY 3.625 05/15/2026	140,000.00	05/23/2023 3.98%	138,610.94 138,971.30	98.02 4.61%	137,232.81 1,491.83	2.61% (1,738.49)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	2.21 2.07
91282CHU8	UNITED STATES TREASURY 4.375 08/15/2026	100,000.00	08/24/2023 4.69%	99,144.53 99,293.41	99.67 4.55%	99,667.97 180.29	1.90% 374.56	Aaa/AA+ AA+	2.46 2.30
91282CHY0	UNITED STATES TREASURY 4.625 09/15/2026	125,000.00	09/15/2023 4.72%	124,682.62 124,730.53	100.28 4.54%	125,346.68 2,668.27	2.38% 616.15	Aaa/AA+ AA+	2.54 2.32
91282CJT9	UNITED STATES TREASURY 4.0 01/15/2027	125,000.00	01/31/2024 4.00%	124,985.35 124,985.76	98.83 4.47%	123,535.16 631.87	2.35% (1,450.60)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	2.88 2.67

HOLDINGS REPORT



Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District | Account #10214 | As of February 29, 2024

Cusip	Security Description	Par Value/ Units	Purchase Date Purchase Yield	Cost Value Book Value	Mkt Price Mkt YTM	Market Value Accrued Int.	% of Port. Gain/Loss	Moody's/ S&P Fitch	Maturity Duration
	Total US Treasury	2,675,000.00	2.40%	2,662,596.25 2,667,507.39	98.18 5.13%	2,625,890.36 12,841.39	49.93% (41,617.03)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.12 1.06
	Total Portfolio	5,327,489.20	3.17%	5,311,622.06 5,317,195.89	94.44 5.05%	5,259,522.25 41,390.03	100.00% (57,673.64)	Aaa/AA+ AA+	1.33 1.23
	Total Market Value + Accrued					5,300,912.29			



Brokerage Account Statement

February 1, 2024 - February 29, 2024
Account Number: GPC-016100

UPPER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
WATER DISTRICT
248 E FOOTHILL BLVD STE 200
MONROVIA CA 91016-5523

Portfolio at a Glance

	This Period
BEGINNING ACCOUNT VALUE	\$471,288.38
Dividends, Interest and Other Income	634.10
Other Transactions	-1.00
Net Change in Portfolio¹	-1,425.00
ENDING ACCOUNT VALUE	\$470,496.48
Accrued Interest	\$0.00
Account Value with Accrued Interest	\$470,496.48
Estimated Annual Income	\$18.81

¹ Net Change in Portfolio is the difference between the ending account value and beginning account value after activity.

Your Registered Representative:
KRISTAIN MILLS
(714) 619-3000

Your Account Information

TAX LOT DEFAULT DISPOSITION METHOD

Default Method for Mutual Funds: First In First Out
Default Method for Stocks in a Dividend Reinvestment Plan: First In First Out
Default Method for all Other Securities: First In First Out

BOND AMORTIZATION ELECTIONS

Amortize premium on taxable bonds based on Constant Yield Method: Yes
Accrual market discount method for all other bond types: Constant Yield Method
Include market discount in income annually: No

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*evelyn@usgymwd.org is on file for these documents



Portfolio Holdings

Description	Quantity	Opening Balance	Closing Balance	Accrued Income	Income This Year	30-Day Yield
CASH, MONEY FUNDS AND BANK DEPOSITS 1.00% of Portfolio						
Cash Balance		0.00	625.00			
Money Market						
GOLDMAN SACHS FSO GOVT CMS	2,606.4800	2,598.38	2,606.48	0.00	18.81	4.41%
Total Money Market		\$2,598.38	\$2,606.48	\$0.00	\$18.81	
TOTAL CASH, MONEY FUNDS AND BANK DEPOSITS						
		\$2,598.38	\$3,231.48	\$0.00	\$18.81	
FIXED INCOME 99.00% of Portfolio (In Maturity Date Sequence)						
U.S. Treasury Securities						
UNITED STATES TREAS NTS 0.250% 08/31/25 B/E DTD 08/31/20 1ST	500,000,0000	93.4530	467,265.00	0.00		
CPN DTE 02/28/21 CPN PMT SEMI ANNUAL ON FEB 28 AND AUG 31						
Moody Rating: Aaa						
Security Identifier: 91282CAJ0						
Total U.S. Treasury Securities	500,000,0000		\$467,265.00	\$0.00		
TOTAL FIXED INCOME						
			\$467,265.00	\$0.00		
Total Portfolio Holdings						
			Market Value \$470,496.48	Accrued Interest \$0.00	Estimated Annual Income \$18.81	

Portfolio Holdings Disclosures

Pricing

This section includes the net market value of the securities in your account on a settlement date basis, including short positions, at the close of the statement period. The market prices, unless otherwise noted, have been obtained from independent vendor services, which we believe to be reliable. In some cases the pricing vendor may provide prices quoted by a single broker or market maker. Market prices do not constitute a bid or an offer, and may differ from the actual sale price. Securities for which a price is not available are marked "N/A" and are omitted from the Total.

THE AS OF PRICE DATE ONLY APPEARS WHEN THE PRICE DATE DOES NOT EQUAL THE STATEMENT DATE.

Estimated Annual Figures

The estimated annual income (EAI) and estimated annual yield (EAY) figures are estimates and for informational purposes only. These figures are not considered to be a forecast or guarantee of future results. These figures are computed using information from providers believed to be reliable; however, no assurance can be made as to the accuracy. Since interest and dividend rates are subject to change at any time, and may be affected by current and future economic, political, and business conditions, they should not be relied on for making investment, trading, or tax decisions. These figures assume that the position quantities, interest and dividend rates, and prices remain constant. A capital gain or return of principal may be included in the figures for certain securities, thereby overstating them. Refer to www.pershing.com/disclosures for specific details as to formulas used to calculate the figures. Accrued interest represents interest earned but not yet received.



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Portfolio Holdings Disclosures (continued)

Reinvestment

The dollar amount of Mutual Fund distributions, Money Market Fund dividend income, Bank Deposit interest income, or dividends for other securities shown on your statement may have been reinvested. You will not receive confirmation of these reinvestments. Upon written request to your financial institution, information pertaining to these transactions, including the time of execution and the name of the person from whom your security was purchased, may be obtained. In dividend reinvestment transactions, Pershing acts as your agent and receives payment for order flow.

Option Disclosure

Information with respect to commissions and other charges incurred in connection with the execution of option transactions has been included in confirmations previously furnished to you. A summary of this information is available to you promptly upon your written request directed to your introducing firm. In order to assist your introducing firm in maintaining current background and financial information concerning your option accounts, please promptly advise them in writing of any material change in your investment objectives or financial situation. Expiring options which are valuable are exercised automatically pursuant to the exercise by exception procedure of the Options Clearing Corporation. Additional information regarding this procedure is available upon written request to your introducing firm.

Foreign Currency Transactions

Pershing will execute foreign currency transactions as principal for your account. Pershing may automatically convert foreign currency to or from U.S. dollars for dividends and similar corporate action transactions unless you instruct your financial organization otherwise. Pershing's currency conversion rate will not exceed the highest interbank conversion rate identified from customary banking sources on the conversion date or the prior business day, increased by up to 1%, unless a particular rate is required by applicable law. Your financial organization may also increase the currency conversion rate. This conversion rate may differ from rates in effect on the date you executed a transaction, incurred a charge, or received a credit. Transactions converted by agents (such as depositories) will be billed at the rates such agents use.

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Portfolio Holdings Disclosures (continued)

Structured Products

Structured products in this section are complex products and may be subject to special risks, which may include, but are not limited to: loss of initial investment; issuer credit risk; limited or no appreciation; risks associated with the underlying reference asset(s); no periodic payments; call prior to maturity (a redemption could affect the yield represented); early redemption fees or other applicable fees; price volatility resulting from issuer's and/or guarantor's credit quality; lower interest rates and/or yield compared to conventional debt with a comparable maturity; unique tax implications; concentration risk of owning the related security; limited or no secondary market; restrictions on transferability; conflicts of interest; and limits on participation in appreciation of underlying asset(s). To review a complete list of risks, please refer to the offering documents for the structured product. For more information about the risks specific to your structured products, you should contact your financial institution or advisor. Certain structured products are designed to make periodic distributions to you and any such structured product distributions you receive will be listed in the Transactions section of your statement. Structured product distributions may be listed there as "Bond Interest Received"; however, this description is not intended to reflect a determination as to either the asset classification of the product or the U.S. tax treatment of such distributions.

Income and Expense Summary

	Current Period		Year-to-Date	
	Taxable	Non Taxable	Taxable	Non Taxable
Dividend Income				
Money Market-Non-Qualified	9.10	0.00	18.81	0.00
Interest Income				
Bond Interest	625.00	0.00	625.00	0.00
Total Income	\$634.10	\$0.00	\$643.81	\$0.00

Activity Summary (All amounts shown are in base currency)

	Current Period		Year-to-Date		Net Year-to-Date
	Credits This Period	Debits This Period	Net This Period	Debits Year-to-Date	
Dividends and Interest	\$634.10	\$0.00	\$634.10	\$0.00	\$643.81
Fees	\$0.00	-\$1.00	-\$1.00	-\$1.00	-\$1.00
Totals	\$634.10	-\$1.00	\$633.10	-\$1.00	\$642.81



February 1, 2024 - February 29, 2024
UPPER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY

Transactions in Date Sequence

Process/ Settlement Date	Activity Type	Description	Quantity	Price	Accrued Interest	Amount	Currency
02/15/24	FEE FOR PRINTING STATEMENTS REGARDLESS OF ACTIVITY	CHARGE FOR FORCED CUSTOMER STATEMENTS ACCT GPC016100 0 STATEMENTS MONTH: FEB 2024				-1.00	USD
02/29/24	MONEY MARKET FUND INCOME RECEIVED Non-Qualified PER382220	GOLDMAN SACHS FSQ				9.10	USD
02/29/24	BOND INTEREST RECEIVED 91282CA-0	500000 UNITED STATES TREAS NTS 0.250% 08/31/25 B/E DTD 08/31/20 RD 02/28 PD 02/29/24				625.00	USD

Total Value of Transactions

The price and quantity displayed may have been rounded.

\$0.00

\$633.10

USD

Money Market Fund Detail

Date	Activity Type	Description	Amount	Balance
Sweep Money Market Fund				
GOLDMAN SACHS FSQ GOVT CMS				
Current Yield: 4.41% Activity Ending: 02/29/24				
02/01/24	Opening Balance		2,598.38	2,598.38
02/15/24	Withdrawal		-1.00	2,597.38
02/29/24	Deposit	MONEY FUND REDEMPTION INCOME REINVEST	9.10	2,606.48
02/29/24	Closing Balance			\$2,606.48
Total All Money Market Funds				

Messages

Transition to Trade Date plus One (T1) Settlements

The U.S. will adopt a shortened settlement timeframe beginning with trade date May 28, 2024, for equities, corporate, municipal bonds and unit investment trusts. Moving from a T2 to a T1 settlement cycle will provide faster access to sale proceeds, but it also means that funds will be due on purchase transactions earlier.

Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
Summary of Director Outreach Expenses
For the period ended February 29, 2024

Director	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	YTD Actual	Balance Remaining
Director Chavez	\$ -	-	-	1,250.00	-	-	-	-	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 3,750.00
Director Fellow	162.50	37.55	1,000.00	500.00	-	500.00	352.00	-	2,552.05	2,447.95
Director Treviño	600.00	-	550.00	448.00	290.00	-	220.00	-	2,108.00	2,892.00
Director Santana	312.50	135.00	500.00	-	1,200.00	250.00	331.00	-	2,728.50	2,271.50
Director Garcia	-	750.00	550.00	-	-	-	-	-	1,300.00	3,700.00
Total	\$ 1,075.00	922.55	2,600.00	2,198.00	1,490.00	750.00	903.00	-	\$ 9,938.55	\$ 15,061.45

Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
Director Public Outreach Program Expenses
For the period ended February 29, 2024

Director Chavez

<u>Paid Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
10/25/23	Epiphany 3rd Annual Oktoberfest Car & Bike Show	1,250.00	23640	Epiphany Catholic School

Total 1,250.00

Outreach Fund Balance 3,750.00

Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
 Director Public Outreach Program Expenses
 For the period ended February 29, 2024

Director Fellow

<u>Paid Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
07/12/23	Membership Dues: 07/01/23 - 07/01/24	162.50	23555	El Monte/S. El Monte Chamber of Commerce
08/01/23	Meeting	37.55	22118	Monrovia Foundation of the Arts
09/20/23	Art in the Park Sponsorship	1,000.00	23617	Monrovia Association of Fine Arts
10/25/23	OAKtober 2023 Sponsorship	500.00	23641	Grow Monrovia
12/20/23	14th Annual Neighborhood Conference Sponsorship	500.00	23686	City of Monrovia
01/31/24	Membership Dues: 10/01/23 - 09/30/24	352.00	23718	Arcadia Chamber of Commerce
		Total		
		<u>2,552.05</u>		
	Outreach Fund Balance			
		<u>2,447.95</u>		

Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
 Director Public Outreach Program Expenses
 For the period ended February 29, 2024

Director Treviño

<u>Paid Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
07/19/23	2023 Parti-Gras Tickets	600.00	23562	South Pasadena Education Foundation
09/20/23	34th Annual Awards Dinner	550.00	23619	Asian Youth Center
10/11/23	2023 Tiger Run Sponsorship	300.00	23633	South Pasadena High School Tiger Booster
10/25/23	Installation Award Gala & Milestone Recognition	148.00	23644	Rosemead Chamber of Commerce
11/22/23	Membership Renewal 7/01/23 - 6/30/24	290.00	23670	Rosemead Chamber of Commerce
01/24/24	2024-2025 Annual Membership	220.00	23715	San Gabriel Chamber of Commerce
		Total		
			<u><u>2,108.00</u></u>	
Outreach Fund Balance			<u><u>2,892.00</u></u>	

Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
 Director Public Outreach Program Expenses
 For the period ended February 29, 2024

Director Santana

<u>Paid Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
07/12/23	2023 Summer Concert Series	150.00	23554	City of Duarte
07/12/23	Membership Dues: 07/01/23 - 07/01/24	162.50	23555	El Monte/S. El Monte Chamber of Commerce
08/04/23	Membership Dues: 07/01/23 - 06/30/24	50.00	23571	Baldwin Park Business Association
08/04/23	66th Annual Community Picnic	85.00	23572	City of Duarte
09/26/23	Dia De Los Muertos 2023	500.00	23620	Downtown El Monte Business Association
11/09/23	1st Annual Virtual Golf Tournament Sponsorship	200.00	23658	San Gabriel Valley Conservation and Service Corps
11/15/23	Tamalada Gala Sponsorship	1,000.00	23661	Community Partners FBO
12/06/23	BBQ Fundraiser	250.00	23677	San Gabriel Police Officers' Association
01/24/24	2024-2025 Annual Membership	331.00	23710	Duarte Chamber of Commerce
	Total	<u><u>2,728.50</u></u>		
	Outreach Fund Balance	<u><u>2,271.50</u></u>		

Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
 Director Public Outreach Program Expenses
 For the period ended February 29, 2024

Director Garcia

<u>Paid Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
08/08/23	9th Annual Oak Tree Challenge 5K/1 Mile Run/Walk	250.00	23596	Charter Oak Education Foundation
08/08/23	Vault Boys Baseball Team Season	500.00	23598	Vault Performance Baseball
09/13/23	Festival of Freights	50.00	23610	West Covina Community
09/20/23	Basketball Calendar 2023-2024	500.00	23614	Charter Oak Boys Basketball
		Total		
			<u>1,300.00</u>	
Outreach Fund Balance			<u>3,700.00</u>	



MEMORANDUM



ITEM 7. (b) ACTION

DATE: April 02, 2024
TO: Board of Directors
FROM: General Manager
SUBJECT: Resolution No. 04-24-660, Initiating Proceedings for the Establishment of a Water Availability or Standby Charge for Fiscal Year 2024/25 and Establishing May 22, 2024 as the Public Hearing Date.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 04-24-660 (attached);
2. Schedule a public hearing on May 22, 2024; and
3. Instruct staff to publish notice of the hearing as required by statute.

Background

Since Fiscal Year 1992-93, the Upper District has utilized revenues generated from a water availability standby charge to fund its water conservation and water recycling program budgets. That charge was originally established at \$10 per acre/parcel for parcels of land within the District boundaries. If the standby charge is reauthorized for fiscal year 2024/25 at a rate of \$10 per acre/parcel, approximately \$2.05 million in revenue will be generated for the year to fund the water recycling and conservation programs.

The attached resolution initiates proceedings for the consideration of a water availability standby charge for fiscal year 2024/25. The resolution also establishes May 22, 2024 as the public hearing date regarding the proposed reauthorization of the water availability standby charge as required under Government Code Section 53753.

Attachment

RESOLUTION NO. 04-24-660**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
UPPER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
INITIATING PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A
WATER AVAILABILITY OR STANDBY CHARGE FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2024/25**

WHEREAS, the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District, herein after referred to as "Upper District", has initiated the design and implementation of the San Gabriel Valley Water Recycling Program; and

WHEREAS, the Upper District has executed a Memorandum of Understanding to implement Best Management Practices for Urban Water Conservation requiring the development of comprehensive conservation programs; and

WHEREAS, the Upper District has undertaken a Recycled Water Program and a Water Conservation Program that shall require an increased stable revenue source for implementation; and

WHEREAS, the state legislature has provided the Upper District with statutory powers to impose water standby or availability of service charges, by and through Water Code Section 71638 et seq., in addition to preexisting District powers to set rates and charges; and

WHEREAS, rapidly fluctuating water supply conditions have demonstrated the economic and political deficiencies in relying on water sales as the sole alternative revenue source to ad valorem taxes, inasmuch as obtaining reasonably stable revenues from water sales would require rate increases of unacceptable percentages to occur in order to implement necessary water recycling and water conservation projects in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, the Upper District's financial advisors have counseled this Board that a lack of a stable annual revenue source would significantly and adversely impact the Upper District's ability to fund the development and implementation of long term water recycling and water conservation projects required by the community to achieve water supply reliability; and

WHEREAS, a program of water standby or availability of service charges collected on parcel or per acre basis would provide a stable and dependable annual revenue source which would allow implementation of necessary projects benefiting the entire Upper District service area; and

WHEREAS, information secured from the County of Los Angeles shows estimated revenues to be received from a water standby or availability of service charge of \$10.00 (Ten Dollars) per acre of land or \$10.00 (Ten Dollars) for each parcel of land less than an acre, would be approximately \$2,050,000.00 (Two Million and Fifty Thousand Dollars); and

WHEREAS, in order to fix such a charge by ordinance pursuant to Water Code Sections 71638, et seq., it is necessary to set forth by resolution the schedule of the proposed charges and give notice of a public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager and staff believe the proposed recommendation is fair, proper and necessary in order to fund the foregoing programs within the existing service area of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE UPPER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT as follows:

Section 1. In accordance with applicable law, a public hearing is hereby set to receive public comment on the implementation of a water standby or availability of service charge on all lands within the Upper District. Said public hearing shall be conducted at the **Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District Office, 248 E. Foothill Blvd, Room 103, Monrovia, California on May 22, 2024 at the hour of 4:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard for the purpose of considering the adoption of an ordinance fixing a water availability standby charge on or before the third (3rd) Monday of August, 2024; pursuant to the Water Code Sections 71638, et seq.

Section 2. The imposition of such a charge for Fiscal Year 2024/25 is \$10.00 (Ten Dollars) per acre of land, or \$10.00 (Ten Dollars) per parcel of land less than one acre within the boundaries of the Upper District.

Section 3. The General Manager/Secretary of the Upper District is hereby directed to cause due notice of the public hearing to be given in compliance with the applicable state law.

Section 4. The General Manager shall cause a written Engineer's Report to be prepared and filed with the Secretary of the Upper District and made available for public review on or before May 08, 2024. Said report shall be designed to provide the Board and the public with information describing the benefits which create the basis for water standby or availability of service charges as described herein.

Section 5. The General Manager shall cause any and all necessary acts to occur so as to implement this Resolution and conduct the Upper District's public hearing on the proposed water standby or availability of service charge.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 10th day of April, 2024.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Jennifer Santana, President

ATTEST:

Ed Chavez, Secretary

(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Steven P. O'Neill, District Counsel



MEMORANDUM



ITEM 7. (c) ACTION

DATE: April 05, 2024
TO: Board of Directors
FROM: General Manager
SUBJECT: Amendment to Financial Audit Services Agreement

Recommendation

The General Manager recommends that the Board of Directors approve an amendment to the existing professional services agreement with Rogers, Anderson, Malody & Scott, LLP (RAMS) to provide financial audit services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 and 2025, increasing the maximum amount payable by \$63,710 for a total not-to-exceed maximum of \$211,750.

Background

In 2019, staff issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to 49 firms and received responses from 11 audit firms. Staff evaluated the proposals based on government audit experience, audit team qualifications, professional references and results of last peer review, audit approach and fees. RAMS consistently scored high in all areas and was awarded a contract for the audit of Upper District's financial statements for three fiscal years through June 30, 2021. An amendment was approved by the Board in 2022 for an additional \$59,970 and extended the term to cover fiscal years 2021/22 and 2022/23.

Staff is fully satisfied with the quality of professional services provided by RAMS. However, for RAMS to continue providing financial audit services to Upper District, it will be necessary to amend their agreement. Attached is a cost proposal letter submitted by RAMS for the audit of fiscal year 2023/24 (\$31,380) and 2024/25 (\$32,330) totaling \$63,710.

Attachment//



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March 13, 2024

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Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for the confidence and support you have provided to us over the past few years.

As you are aware, our current contract with the District expires with the audit of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. We are proud of the excellent service our firm has provided the District. In addition to the audit, we have been flexible in our audit schedules to accommodate any requests of the District and we have made ourselves available (*at no extra charge*) throughout the years to answer questions raised by finance staff.

We have made it an absolute priority to provide the District with the best service possible and we would like to continue providing those services. We would like to propose a two-year extension in order to provide continuous and uninterrupted auditing services to the District. As has been the case during our prior contract period, we will continue to provide continuity of staffing, be available to work with the finance staff in areas of technical accounting pronouncements as well as compliance and internal control issues. We are available for telephone consultation on various financial matters throughout the year. All professional consultations throughout the year have been included in our proposed fixed fee.

Please see the attached fee schedules for our proposed fees for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2024 and 2025. As you will see, we have increased our fees in order to stay current with economic changes and the severe staffing challenges effecting our industry.

We value the District as an important client and look forward to continuing our services for the next several years. Please do not hesitate to contact us at (909) 889-0871 for further clarification. We look forward to continuing our professional relationship with the District.

Very truly yours,

ROGERS, ANDERSON, MALODY & SCOTT, LLP

Scott W. Manno, CPA, CGMA
Partner

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Scott W. Manno, CPA, CGMA
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RESPONSE:

Acknowledged and agreed on behalf of the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

**Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
Rogers Anderson Malody & Scott, LLP
Proposed fees**

<u>Description of services</u>	<u>Not to exceed amounts for the year ended June 30</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
Audit of ACFR	\$ 28,355	\$ 29,210
ACFR preparation	<u>3,025</u>	<u>3,120</u>
 Total	 <u>\$ 31,380</u>	 <u>\$ 32,330</u>
 Single Audit of Federal Grants of under the Uniform Guidance (if required), first major program (each additional \$5,500)	 <u>\$ 6,000</u>	 <u>\$ 6,180</u>



MEMORANDUM



7. (d) ACTION

DATE: April 5, 2024
TO: Board of Directors
FROM: General Manager
SUBJECT: Los Angeles County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Ballot for Special District LAFCO Representative.

Action

No staff recommendation, open for Board discussion and action.

Background

All special districts within Los Angeles County have received the attached ballot and have the opportunity to cast the ballot for one of the seven candidates vying for the seat of representative on LAFCO. The candidates receiving the highest number of agency votes will serve for a term expiring in May 2028 as the special district representative to LAFCO.

The seven candidates vying for the voting member representative are listed on the attached ballot. Nomination forms and resumes of each candidate are also attached. In order to cast this ballot, one candidate must receive an affirmative vote from at least three Upper District Board members. Since secret ballots are prohibited by statute, the balloting must take place in open session by voice vote of Board members. The General Manager will read each of the candidate's names in the order listed on the ballot and each Board member can indicate his preference. If no one candidate receives at least three votes, the ballot will not be cast.

Attachments. The ballots for the voting representatives and alternative members are attached, along with the biographies for each.

BALLOT

SPECIAL DISTRICT LAFCO VOTING MEMBER

Please vote for no more than one candidate.

- STEVEN APPLETON**
Occupation: Board of Trustees
Sponsor: Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District
- JONATHAN BEUTLER**
Occupation: Board of Trustees
Sponsor: Palos Verdes Library District
- GARY BURNS**
Occupation: Board of Directors
Sponsor: Las Virgenes Municipal Water District
- DONALD L. DEAR**
Occupation: Board of Directors
Sponsor: West Basin Municipal Water District
- VERA ROBLES DeWITT**
Occupation: Board of Directors
Sponsor: Water Replenishment District of Southern California
- DIRK MARKS**
Occupation: Board of Directors
Sponsor: Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency
- SHARON S. RAGHAVACHARY**
Occupation: Board of Directors
Sponsor: Crescenta Valley Water District

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **VOTING MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District

Date: FEBRUARY 29, 2024

Name of Candidate: Steven Appleton

Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District is pleased to nominate
Steven Appleton as a candidate for appointment as special district **voting**
member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a

member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration,
we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: BOARD OF TRUSTEE, LOS ANGELES CITY

Agency: GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT

Type of Agency: SPECIAL DISTRICT

Term Expires: N/A

Residence Address: 2825 BENEDICT STREET
LOS ANGELES, CA 90039

Telephone: (310) 740-7294 email stevenappleton.art@gmail.com

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District
(Name of Agency)

By: 

Its: Susanne Kluh



Steven Appleton

A citizen public servant with technical knowledge, interdisciplinary skill and a collaborative approach.

Mr. Appleton is the past President of the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District (2020), where he continues to serve as Trustee for the City of Los Angeles. Appointed in 2011, he has encouraged collaboration among public agencies in the planning of parklands, such as by assuring a place at the table for vector control experts in the design of engineered wetlands. He is a Board Member on the Los Angeles County Second District Consolidated Oversight Board and has served in a variety of capacities on watershed issues, including as a Technical Stakeholder to the yearly "State of the Watershed" report for the Los Angeles Region by the Council on Watershed Health.

Steve balances his role as a citizen public servant with his career in public art and education. He has taught at local institutions, including Otis College of Art and Design, USC, and California State University, Northridge. He recently founded the Water Institute of Science Policy that collaborates with California State University Northridge's Institute for Sustainability at California and Center for the Geospatial Science and Technology (CGST) in the creation of community service and educational programming.

As a public artist, he has created permanent and temporary public artworks in Los Angeles, Seattle, Denver, Brazil, Denmark, and Finland. Americans for the Arts recognized his work "FaceTime" with a national award in 2007. Most recently, he collaborated with Artichoke Dance Company in a three-day series performances, sculptures and participatory workshops called "Future Currents," sponsored by the Soraya Performing Arts Center. His public art projects have often included internship opportunities for local youth, such as his Metro Green Line project in Watts.

His seasonal business LA River Kayak Safari, has been the leading vendor of kayaking in the Los Angeles river since 2013, bringing more than 12,000 people on a unique tour of the naturalized section of the river in Elysian Valley. His group has broadened the audience for nature recreation by sponsoring more than 20% of its offerings for at-risk youth and underserved communities. As part of the yearly permitting for this business, Appleton is in dialog with US Army Corp of Engineers and regional Park Authorities.

Appleton received his Bachelor of Arts in Sculpture at the University of California, Santa Cruz and studied for his Master of Fine Arts at University of Southern California. He is a resident of the "Frogtown" district of Los Angeles, where he lives with his wife Agnieszka and son Janis.

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **VOTING MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: Palos Verdes Library District

Date: February 15, 2024

Name of Candidate: Jonathan Beutler

Palos Verdes Library District is pleased to nominate
Jonathan Beutler as a candidate for appointment as special district voting

member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Secretary, Board of Library Trustees

Agency: Palos Verdes Library District

Type of Agency: Library Special District

Term Expires: November 27, 2026

Residence Address: P.O. Box 101

Palos Verdes Estates, CA 90274

Telephone: 310-699-9619

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

Palos Verdes Library District

(Name of Agency)

By: 

Bob Parke

Its: President, Board of Library Trustees



March 20, 2024

**BOARD OF LIBRARY
TRUSTEES**

Bob Parke
President

Zoe Unno, Ph.D.
Vice President

Jonathan Beutler
Secretary

Rosa Kwon Easton

Kingston Wong

DISTRICT DIRECTOR
Jennifer Addington

DEPUTY DIRECTOR
Ryan Roy

Dear Fellow Public Servant:

With the arrival of the LAFCO ballot packet at your District office, I want to take a moment to personally express my sincere hope for your Board's support in my candidacy for an opportunity to ***represent special districts like yours.***

You know how unique and nuanced the work of a special district is, and I want to ensure that all of us are well represented on LAFCO. I intend to *bring an innovative and collaborative voice* to this important role in order to adequately represent all special districts.

As a member of LAFCO, I will be fully committed to fostering open dialogue and collaboration, and particularly as a representative of special districts, I pledge to remain readily accessible and receptive to the invaluable input from all constituent agencies.

I believe that I have the right background to serve in this capacity. Enclosed is a one-pager that provides some more information about my motivation and objectives as a candidate, as well as more relevant details about my background. Please feel free to contact me at jbeutler@pvld.org or (310) 699-9619 if you have any questions or would like to discuss my candidacy—or other issues—any further.

Your thoughtful consideration means the world to me, and I am genuinely grateful for the opportunity to serve our communities in this capacity. ***I stand ready*** to answer any further questions you may have. Thank you for your consideration!

Sincerely,
Jonathan Beutler
LAFCO Candidate 2024
jbeutler@pvld.org

Candidate to Represent Special Districts on LAFCO



Jonathan Beutler

Trustee, Palos Verdes Library District

My passion for community service and love for our region lead me to respectfully seek your support for my candidacy to represent independent Special Districts on the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). I take pride in serving my community and pledge to be eagerly engaged as a Commissioner to bring about fair oversight in ensuring the successful execution of LAFCO's mission. As a results-focused professional, I am dedicated to inclusive decision-making, building bridges and stakeholder engagement in order to reach mutually beneficial outcomes. This approach will guide me on LAFCO as your representative for Special Districts.

Because LAFCO's role is so crucial and its decisions have such long-lasting ramifications, it is imperative that Special Districts' voices be heard! The services of Special Districts transcend the boundaries of cities and touch the lives of people across various jurisdictions, so it is essential that we identify concerted ways to solve regional issues. As a trustee of a special district that serves communities in four unique cities plus other unincorporated areas, I understand that no special district can operate alone in a vacuum and that regional engagement is critical to ensure orderly growth and the balanced protection of public interest. As a LAFCO Commissioner, I will:

1. Advocate for policy outcomes that enhance special districts' capacity to serve effectively;
2. Strive to exercise good stewardship over agency resources;
3. Engage an inclusive range of voices and data and promote a cooperative environment;
4. Favor decisions that enhance the quality of life for communities throughout our region.

My Background

My varied experience has spanned the public, nonprofit and private sectors. In addition to my current service as an elected Trustee of the Palos Verdes Library District, my previous work as a U.S. diplomat has informed much of my approach to results-focused collaboration. Some other relevant highlights that prepare me for the opportunity to serve on LAFCO include:

- Former U.S. diplomat (Foreign Service of the U.S. Department of State)
- Appointed twice as County Commissioner: Beaches & Harbors Commission; Library Commission
- Bond Oversight Committee member, Manhattan Beach Unified School District
- Local Control Accountability Plan Committee member, Palos Verdes Peninsula Unified School District
- Chairman of the Board, Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce
- President, Harbor City Chamber of Commerce
- Board of Governors, Japan America Society
- Graduate, Leadership Los Angeles; also alumnus of Leadership Torrance and Leadership Manhattan Beach
- Recognized by Empowerment Congress as "40 under 40" in L.A. County
- Co-Chair, International Trade, Los Angeles Business Federation
- Completed multiple CSDA trainings, including Leadership Academy
- Education: Master of Public Policy, UCLA; Master of Spanish Literature, University of Barcelona
- Personal: Married with four children; avid rare book collector; active in the Greek School of Redondo Beach.

Together, we can help LAFCO continue to be a driving force for positive change in our respective communities. As a Commissioner, I look forward to being a compelling voice and contributing in a meaningful way on behalf of independent Special Districts.

Thank you for your consideration.

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT VOTING MEMBER
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

Date: January 16, 2024

Name of Candidate: Gary Burns

Las Virgenes Municipal Water District is pleased to nominate
Gary Burns as a candidate for appointment as special district voting
member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a
member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration,
we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Director, Division 3

Agency: Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

Type of Agency: Water District

Term Expires: December 4, 2026

Residence Address: 22118 Dardenne Street

Calabasas, CA 91302

Telephone: (818) 222-4200

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Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

(Name of Agency)
By: 

Its: General Manager

Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO):
Nomination of Candidate for Special District Board Member
Gary Burns, Candidate for LAFCO Member Position 2024

I would like to thank each district board that voted for me last year. Although not chosen as an alternate, I am returning this year, asking for your vote, to become a full member of the LAFCO Board.

It is time to add "fresh" ideas and excitement to how LAFCO communicates and operates. To that end, please call me at 818 326 2000 to discuss your specific issues. I will listen intently, absorbing your insight.

I hope to visit each of your Board Meetings via zoom or in person to introduce myself, listen to what is important to your district and provide the confidence that I can lead LAFCO into the future.

I desire to serve as a LAFCO Board Member to further serve the community, each of our districts and provide "new" and "environmental" input to the Los Angeles Region and the Supervisors we report to. Few citizens know what LAFCO accomplishes or what the initials stand for. I intend to change that.

As with the homeowners of Calabasas and the entire www.LVMWD.com area, I am available to advocate for or listen to constituents whenever needed. I pledge to do the same for ALL LAFCO Districts.

Gary Burns was elected to the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District Board in 2022. (Division 3, currently Secretary). He is the first Calabasas resident to serve on the District Water Board. **Since his time on the District Board, he has imbued his efforts with energy and the desire to effect change.** He has visited various local and state water facilities and Districts. **He is a member of ACWA, CASA, WaterReuse and has attended their conventions throughout the year, attaining insight into District, State and Water Policy. He is serving on the Business Development Committee of ACWA Region 8. He is championing a Heli-Hydrant project with Los Angeles County Fire, the City of Calabasas and the local Council of Governments.**

In his efforts to search for new sources of water, Gary has visited the future SITES Reservoir Project, the San Joaquin Delta, and various Metropolitan Water District facilities, including the in-development Carson Pure Water Plant. His goal is to ensure there is a sufficient water supply for future generations, while preserving the environment we cherish in Southern California, the State of California, and the United States.

Growing up on the East Coast, Gary moved to California in 1989, watched the City of Calabasas incorporate in 1991 and has been a resident of Calabasas for the past 35 years. He attended Fairleigh Dickenson (FDU) and Hofstra University where he received a BA and Master's in Psychology and an MBA in Business and Finance.

Gary has been President of the Mulholland Heights Homeowners Association for the past 10 years. Currently, he is a Board Member of Community Associations Institute, 2018 - 2024 (CAI of Greater Los Angeles County), a Board Member of CAI International, National Homeowner Leaders Council 2021 – 2024 and recognized by CAI Los Angeles for Excellence in Community Leadership in 2021, 22 and 23.

He is also a founding member of EPIC, (Emergency Preparedness in Calabasas, www.epic-fsc.com), volunteers for many local community activities, is a partner in the snack foods company Just Pure Foods Distribution (www.justpurefoods.com) and a Life and Health Insurance Broker (<https://garyburns.businesslinksolutions.net>).

Thank You for your vote and consideration of Gary Burns for LAFCO Board Member (818 326 2000 mobile/text)

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **VOTING MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: West Basin Municipal Water District

Date: January 22, 2024

Name of Candidate: Donald L. Dear

West Basin Municipal Water District is pleased to nominate
Donald L. Dear as a candidate for appointment as special district **voting member** to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Division 5 Director

Agency: West Basin Municipal Water District

Type of Agency: Water Wholesaler

Term Expires: December 2024

Residence Address: 15433 Catalina Ave., Gardena, CA 90247

Telephone: (310) 704-0881

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West Basin Municipal Water District

(Name of Agency)

By: E.J. Caldwell

Its: General Manager



Donald L. Dear

Secretary, West Basin Municipal Water District Board of Directors
Division V



Donald L. Dear was elected to the West Basin Municipal Water District (West Basin) Board of Directors in November 2000. He is currently serving his sixth term after being re-elected in November 2020. He represents the Division V cities of Lawndale, portions of Gardena and Hawthorne, and the unincorporated Los Angeles County areas of El Camino Village and Lenno.

Director Dear came to the Board with a vast array of experience in public service, serving on the Gardena City Council from 1970 to 1974 and again from 1978 to 1982, as well as serving as the Gardena mayor for nine consecutive terms from 1982 to 2001. He retired with 27 years of total service to the City of Gardena. Director Dear is currently serving as Secretary of the Board and Chair of the Ethics Committee. He previously served as one of two West Basin representatives on the board of directors of the Metropolitan Water District of

Southern California from 2013 to 2018.

In 2004, 2008, 2012, 2016 and again in 2020, he was elected as one of the representatives for the Los Angeles County Independent Special Districts on the Local Agency Formation Commission, of which he currently serves as Chair. In October 2011, the West Basin Board paid tribute to Dear's distinguished public service by naming their Carson Headquarters the Donald L. Dear Building.

Director Dear's years of experience have given him a deep first-hand understanding of the roles, responsibilities and challenges facing local governmental institutions. He served for 24 years as a Trustee of the Greater Los Angeles Vector Control District, and for 19 years on the Board of Directors for the Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 5. He also served as President of the South Bay Cities Association (now known as South Bay Cities Council of Governments), on the Board of Directors of the Southern California Cities Joint Powers Consortium and is a member of the Sierra Club.

As a former teacher at Stephen White Middle School in Carson for 38 years, he is well known and widely respected by his former students, colleagues and members of the community. In 1983 he was "Teacher of the Year" for Region A of the Los Angeles Unified School District. Dear's professional affiliations include his service as a member of the National Council for Social Studies, board member of the Political Action Council of Educators, and six terms of service as a member of the House of Representatives of the United Teachers of Los Angeles (UTLA). His civic affiliations include the Association for Retarded Citizens – South Bay, El Nido Services, Gardena Elks, Gardena High School Booster Club, Gardena Jaycees, Gardena Valley Cultural Arts Corporation, Gardena Valley Friends of the Library, Gardena Valley Music Association, Gardena Valley Red Cross, Gardena-Carson Family YMCA, Hollypark and Gardena Valley Lions Club, Kiwanis Club of Gardena Valley, Serra High School Advisory Board, and the University of Southern California San Pedro Peninsula Trojan Club.

Director Dear has also distinguished himself through his outstanding work with youth, not only as a noteworthy educator, but also for his 30 years of unselfish dedication as a coach for more than 70 teams in three sports through the Gardena Recreation Department Youth Sports Leagues.

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **VOTING MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: The Water Replenishment District of Southern California

Date: January 16, 2024

Name of Candidate: Vera Robles DeWitt

The Water Replenishment District of Southern California is pleased to nominate

Vera Robles DeWitt as a candidate for appointment as special district **voting**

member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Board Member, Division 5

Agency: Water Replenishment District of Southern California

Type of Agency: Special District

Term Expires: January 7, 2025

Residence Address: 24728 Panama Ave.

Carson, CA 90745-6430

Telephone: (310) 505-8353

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Water Replenishment District of Southern California

(Name of Agency)

By: John D.S. Allen

Its: Board President





CANDIDATE STATEMENT
Independent Special District Member
Los Angeles County Local Agency Formation Commission

VERA ROBLES DEWITT

I currently serve as an elected representative on the Board of Directors of the Water Replenishment District of Southern California (WRD). I have served continuously since 2018 and was overwhelmingly elected for a four-year term in November 2020.

Just like the special district you represent, WRD also plays a vital role that is unknown to most voters. And just like I brought more transparency to WRD, I want to bring transparency to LAFCO.

As your LAFCO representative I will report to you on all LAFCO actions via email at least quarterly and in-person at least annually so that you are no longer in the dark wondering what LAFCO is doing. And just as importantly, as the LAFCO representative for special districts, on all important LAFCO matters impacting special districts, I will seek your input – after all, I will be representing you.

I have a lot of experience in local government, including previously serving for 10 years as a Mayor and Councilmember. In those capacities I became very familiarized with LAFCO and now want to bring that wealth of experience for the benefit of all special districts.

In addition, for years I have been involved in many civic/non-profit programs. For example, I was the founding president of the Boys and Girls Club of Carson as well as a founding Board Member of Dominguez Family Shelter. I currently serve as Vice President of the Carson Kiwanis and for over 6 years have served on the Executive Board of South County Labor, AFL-CIO.

Moreover, as a small business owner for over 50 years, I also bring years of experience in budgets and fiscal matters.

I have one son who is a member of IBEW Local 47 and I raised a granddaughter who currently is an airline Captain flying charter jets.

I would be honored to serve on the LAFCO Board of Directors representing the best interests of the diverse Independent Special Districts.

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **VOTING MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Board of Directors

Date: February 20, 2024

Name of Candidate: Dirk Marks

Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency is pleased to nominate

Dirk Marks as a candidate for appointment as special district **voting**

member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Division 2 Director

Agency: Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency

Type of Agency: Special Act Water Agency

Term Expires: January 2027

Residence Address: 27633 Yardley Way, Valencia, CA 91354

Telephone: 661 713-8496

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency

(Name of Agency)

By: 

Its: President

LAFCO Nomination Attachment for Dirk Marks

Dirk Marks is a registered professional engineer with over 40 years of experience in water resource management and planning and is well qualified to support LAFCO's efforts to assure the orderly and efficient provision of public services. His qualifications include:

Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Board Member

- Currently serving as Division 2 Director through 2026
- Member of Water Resources and Watershed Committee

Association of California Water Agencies

- Serving on Groundwater Committee

Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency

- Director representing SCV Water

SCV Water/Castaic Lake Water Agency Work Experience

- Participated in consolidation of three water agencies to form SCV Water
- Managed or oversaw preparation of key planning documents including:
 - 2010, 2015, and 2020 Urban Water Management Plan
 - Supply Reliability Report
 - Regional Water Use Efficiency Strategic Plan
 - Groundwater Sustainability Plan for Santa Clara River East Subbasin
 - Annexation of Tesoro Del Val into SCV Water
- Represented SCV Water in several multi-agency organizations including:
 - Safe Clean Water Program Santa Clara River Watershed Steering Committee
 - State Water Contractors Operations and Maintenance Committee
 - State Water Contractors Delta Conveyance Contract Amendment Team
 - Sites Reservoir Committee
- Negotiated multiple bilateral water banking and water transfer agreements

Other Work Experience

- 21-years at Metropolitan Water District managing imported water supplies
- 7-years in private sector designing and inspecting water projects

Education

- Bachelors degree in Civil Engineering, CSU Long Beach
- Completed California Special District Leadership Academy

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **VOTING MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: Crescenta Valley Water District Board of Directors

Date: January 23, 2024

Name of Candidate: Sharon S. Raghavachary

Crescenta Valley Water District Board of Directors is pleased to nominate

Sharon S. Raghavachary as a candidate for appointment as special district **voting member** to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Member of the Board of Directors

Agency: Crescenta Valley Water District

Type of Agency: Water and Wastewater

Term Expires: December 2024

Residence Address: 2209 Maurice Avenue

La Crescenta, CA 91214

Telephone: 818 248-3925

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Crescenta Valley Water District

(Name of Agency)

By: 

Its: President of the Board of Directors



Sharon Raghavachary
President of the Board of Directors
Crescenta Valley Water District

Director Raghavachary has been active in the La Crescenta Community for over 20 years and has a background in accounting and computer systems.

Currently, Ms. Raghavachary is the President of the Board of Directors for the Crescenta Valley Water District. She has served on the Board since 2019 and has been a past President as well as Vice President.

Ms. Raghavachary is a founder of the Crescenta Valley Community Association. She served for seven years on the Crescenta Valley Town Council, during which time she was co-chair of the Foothill Design Committee that wrote design standards for Foothill Boulevard, the community's main thoroughfare, and was a member of Supervisor Michael Antonovich's Library Committee. She also served as Council Vice President and Land Use Committee Chair.

Additionally, Director Raghavachary served three years on the Parent Advisory Council for Children's Hospital Los Angeles, providing input for the new hospital tower. She has been a volunteer for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and Treasurer of the Crescenta Valley Arts Council, as well as a Girl Scout troop leader for ten years. For over five years, she wrote a featured column for the Glendale News Press and the Crescenta Valley Weekly. She also served on the Clark Magnet High School's School Site Council for four years.

Ms. Raghavachary has two children, one currently studying at USC and the other who looks forward to studying abroad.



MEMORANDUM



ITEM 7. (e) ACTION

DATE: April 10, 2024
TO: Board of Directors
FROM: General Manager
SUBJECT: Federal and State Legislative Summaries and Positions

RECOMMENDATION

Approve staff recommendation for federal and state legislative bill positions: H.R. 7525, SB 903, SB 1110, SB 1330, SB 1169, AB 1827, and AB 2257, which are consistent with Upper District’s 2023-24 Legislative Policy Principles adopted by the Board in January 2023.

Federal Legislation

H.R. 7525 (Fallon & Pettersen): Special District Grant Accessibility Act

Introduced: 3/5/2024; **Location:** Committee on Oversight and Accountability

Summary: Currently, the federal law lacks a consistent definition of such special purpose units of local government. As a result, some communities served by special districts encounter challenges in accessing federal funding opportunities as their local service providers are commonly omitted from the definition of eligible units of local government in legislative proposals that authorize federal programs and funding. Moreover, special districts lack official population figures and are therefore not recognized by the U.S. Census Bureau as “geographic units of government.” As a result, special districts are unable to gain access to certain formula-driven grants and resources.

Analysis: This bipartisan bill would establish a formal definition of “special district” in federal law, as well as require the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to issue guidance to federal agencies requiring special districts to be recognized as local governments for the purpose of federal financial assistance determinations. This bipartisan legislation was approved by the House Oversight and Accountability Committee and is now awaiting action by the full House. The California Special Districts Association has requested its members express support for this measure that is sponsored by the National Special Districts Coalition.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Support

State Legislation

SB 903 (Skinner): Environmental health: product safety: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances

Introduced: 2/4/2024; **Location:** Senate Judiciary Committee

Summary: Existing law prohibits the manufacture, sale, delivery, hold or offering for sale in commerce of any cosmetic product that contains any intentionally added perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).

Existing law also prohibits, commencing January 1, 2025, a person from manufacturing, distributing, selling, or offering for sale any new textile articles that contain regulated PFAS, except as specified, and requires a manufacturer to use the least toxic alternative.

Analysis: This bill would, beginning January 1, 2030, prohibit a person from distributing, selling, or offering for sale a product that contains intentionally added PFAS, unless the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has decided that the use of PFAS in the product is a currently unavoidable use, the prohibition is preempted by federal law, or the product is used. The prohibition of the sale of products with avoidable PFAS use would prevent further contamination of the environment and would help mitigate the long-term contamination problem in drinking water supplies. As water systems face increasing costs to treat PFAS in water sources, preventing additional contamination at the source is the most cost-effective method for reducing concentrations of PFAS.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Support

SB 1110 (Ashby): Urban retail water suppliers: informational order: conservation order

Introduced: 2/13/2024; **Location:** Senate Natural Resources and Water; **Hearing:** 4/23/2024

Summary: Existing law directs the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to adopt an urban water use objective, establishing water use targets for indoor; outdoor; commercial, industrial, and institutional (CII); and water loss targets, along with variances, by June 30, 2022. Urban retail water suppliers must calculate their water use objectives no later than January 1, 2024.

Analysis: In 2009, SB 7x7 (Steinberg) was passed requiring urban retail water suppliers to reduce water use by 20 percent by 2020. AB 1668 and SB 606 were signed into law by former Governor Brown to create new urban water use efficiency standards for urban water use and implementing his call for *Making Conservation a California Way of Life*. This bill would require the State Water Board, in determining whether to issue an informational order, to additionally consider lower cost actions the water supplier has implemented or will implement to help the water supplier achieve overall water supply resiliency. Additionally, this bill would authorize the State Water Board to decide whether to issue a conservation order, to consider the water supplier's overall water supply management portfolio, including lower cost actions the water supplier has implemented or will implement in order to help the water supplier achieve overall water supply resiliency. This consideration would help ensure a balance is struck between advancing water efficiency and preventing burdensome impacts to water agencies that may hinder their goal of achieving overall water supply resiliency and affordability of water for customers.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Support

SB 1330 (Archuleta): Urban retail water supplier: water use

Introduced: 2/13/2024; **Location:** Senate Natural Resources and Water; **Hearing:** 4/23/2024

Summary: Existing law requires an urban retail water supplier to calculate its urban water use objective and its actual urban water use no later than January 1, 2024, and by January 1 every year thereafter. Each urban retail water supplier's water use objective is composed of the sum of specified aggregate estimates, including efficient outdoor irrigation of landscape areas with dedicated irrigation meters or equivalent technology in connection with water used by commercial water users, industrial water users, institutional water users, and large landscape water users. Urban retail water suppliers are required to submit reports to Department of Water Resources (DWR) by the same dates.

Additionally, existing law requires DWR, in collaboration with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), to conduct studies to recommend appropriate variances for unique water uses affecting urban water use objectives. DWR must propose significant thresholds for variances, and urban retail water suppliers

must obtain State Water Board approval for variance inclusion. The State Water Board is also required to publish relevant information, including a list of suppliers with approved variances, on its website.

Analysis: This bill would propose to extend the civil liability start date for violations of long-term standards to November 1, 2031, instead of after November 1, 2027. This bill would mandate the State Water Board to adopt variances recommended by DWR without needing to set a threshold of significance for each variance. The bill allows any amount of water for unique uses to count towards a supplier’s objective. Pre-approval for variances by the State Water Board would be replaced with a self-certification process and random audits. This bill would require DWR to collect and update data for outdoor residential landscapes and CII landscapes once every 10 years and post that data on its website. This bill would authorize an urban retail water supplier to submit their report pursuant to Section 10609.24 of the Water Code by January 1 or July 1 every year, regardless of the reporting calendar. As part of the report to be submitted in 2026, each urban retail water supplier would be required to include water demand management measures that the supplier plans to implement to achieve its urban water use objective by January 1, 2030.

The bill would amend the enforcement authorization dates as follows:

Existing Statute	Date in Existing Law	Proposed Date Under SB 1330
Informational Order	On and after January 1, 2024	On and after January 1, 2026
Written Notices	On and after January 1, 2025	On and after January 1, 2027
Conservation Order	On and after January 1, 2026	On and after January 1, 2030

The bill is sponsored by Bellflower Somerset Mutual Water Company, Rowland Water District and Walnut Valley Water District. The bill is following the lead of the Legislative Analyst’s Office (LAO) report that called out the State Water Board’s first draft of the water efficiency regulations from August 2023. Many water agencies, including Upper District, submitted comment letters to the proposed regulations. Since then, the LAO released several recommendations to implementing the draft framework. The LAO report comments on the unnecessary complexity of the variance process and the high threshold for requesting a variance. Further, the LAO report recommended adjusting reporting deadlines and updated landscape data. SB 1330’s goal is to be consistent with the SWB’s regulations and provide additional statutory clarity. It should be noted that the SWB has released a second draft of their proposed regulations on March 12th, with significant changes that incorporated the many comments and recommendations from water agencies across the state. However, this bill seeks flexibility on sourcing data and clarity on the enforcement process.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Support

SB 1169 (Stern): Los Angeles County Flood Control District: finances

Amended: 3/18/2024; **Location:** Senate Local Government

Summary: Existing law, the Los Angeles County Flood Control Act, establishes the Los Angeles County Flood Control District and authorizes the district to control and conserve the flood, storm, and other wastewaters of the district. Existing law authorizes the district to borrow money for authorized work, repaying over a maximum 20-year period with interest capped at 4.25 percent annually. Existing law requires the district to levy a tax yearly on taxable real property to cover loan payments. Existing law sets a cap on the total borrowing by the district, which cannot surpass \$4,500,000 in total. Additionally, it also imposes a limit on the total amount of bonds or other forms of indebtedness that the district can issue and sell, also capped at \$4,500,000 in aggregate.

Analysis: This bill would authorize the Los Angeles County Flood Control District to borrow money or obtain loan guarantees from those entities and to repay the same over a period not to exceed 35 years with interest at a rate not to exceed 5.5 percent annually. This bill would instead authorize the district to levy a tax, in compliance with the applicable provisions of Article XIII C of the California Constitution, clearly sufficient to

pay the interest and installments of principal for those loans. This bill would also delete the limits on the amount the district may borrow and the total amount of bonds or other evidence of indebtedness that the district may issue and sell.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Support

AB 1827 (Papan): Local government: fees and charges: water: higher consumptive water parcels

Amended: 4/4/2024; **Location:** Asm. Local Government

Summary: Existing law known as Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act, imposes substantive and procedural limitations that public agencies must follow when adopting or increasing any fee or special assessment, including requiring that the local agency provide public notice and a majority protest procedure.

Analysis: 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 costs associated with higher water usage demands, the maximum potential water use, or a projected peak water usage demand 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 project peak water use demand. In addition to any other method consistent with Proposition 218, the costs may be allocated based on meter size or peaking factors.

AB 1827 was introduced following the recent ruling in the trial court case, *Patz v. City of San Diego (Patz)*. In *Patz* the court invalidated the City of San Diego's tiered water rates calculated using peaking factors and ruled that the City failed to demonstrate by substantial evidence that the tiered water rates imposed by its ratemakings are proportional to the cost of service attributable to each customer's parcel, as required by Proposition 218. The City, in part, allocated these costs to the customers responsible for creating the demand by using peaking factors calculated by industry guidelines in accordance with AWWA MI manual's base-extra capacity peaking factor method and historical maximum day and maximum hour usage for all users. The case is now pending before the Fourth District Court of Appeal. ACWA, along with other local government associations, submitted an amicus curiae brief in support of overturning the trial court's decision, arguing that the court's demand for "perfect data" is inconsistent with the evidence necessary to sustain rates. If signed into law, this bill would apply to tiered water rate structures retrospectively and prospectively and impact pending litigation. This bill is supported by the Association of California Water Agencies, Southern California Water Coalition, and California Special Districts Association and the San Gabriel Valley Water Association.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Support

AB 2257 (Wilson): Local government: property-related water and sewer fees and assessments: remedies

Amended: 3/20/2024; **Location:** Asm. Local Government

Summary: The California Constitution specifies various requirements with respect to the levying of assessments and property-related fees and charges by a local agency. The California Constitution includes a public notice and a majority protect procedure in the case of assessments and procedures for submitting property-related fees and charges for approval by property owners subject to the fee or charge or to the electorate residing in the affected area following a public hearing. Existing law, known as the Proposition 218, or the "Right to Vote on Taxes Act," was approved by California voters in 1996. This initiative added to the California Constitution and imposed procedural and substantive requirements that govern how local agencies levy fees and charges to pay their costs to provide property-related services, like water and sewer service.

Analysis: This bill is sponsored by the Association of California Water Agencies and is supported by over two dozen local governments and utility providers. The proponents of this measure highlight the need for certainty

in rate structures and promote new avenues for greater public participation in the initial rate making process. This bill would establish a procedure that ratepayers must follow for objecting to fees and assessments at the time they are proposed or risk losing the ability to legally challenge the rates at a later time. In support of this measure the author states:

“AB 2257 would authorize public agencies to adopt procedures for the submittal and consideration of public comments regarding proposed water or sewer rates or assessments. If an agency elects to adopt exhaustion procedures, a person would be required to timely submit written comments that specify the grounds for alleging that the fees do not comply with Proposition 218 in order to challenge the fees in court. AB 2257 would place new obligations on public agencies during the ratemaking process, by requiring agencies to provide written responses to all comments received before acting on the proposed fees. AB 2257 would also detail documents that would comprise the administrative record in the event of litigation. AB 2257 would build upon Proposition 218’s existing procedural requirements by creating a clear and robust mechanism for customers to raise questions, concerns, comments, and criticisms of a proposed rate structure.”

It is important to note that this bill adopts a model used in numerous government proceedings related to local planning and the California Environmental Quality Act. This bill is supported by the Association of California Water Agencies and Southern California Water Coalition.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Support

Gov. Newsom announces updated California water plan amid above-average Sierra snowpack

'Take a deep breath ... but don't quadruple the amount of time in your shower'

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Sporting snowshoes and stylish shades, Gov. Gavin Newsom on Tuesday trundled around a summit south of Lake Tahoe with state water officials to unveil a “roadmap to resilience” for the state’s fickle water supply and to confirm good news from an army of sensors scattered throughout the Sierra: California’s end-of-season snowpack haul is blessedly above normal.

The crucial April reading clocked in at 110% of normal, state water officials said Tuesday — a harbinger of a reliable water supply during the upcoming dry summer months. Last year, the April snowpack reading hit an astounding 244% of normal, but the previous three years’ snowpacks were all considerably below normal as California suffered through drought conditions.

That “weather whiplash” driven by climate change was a reminder that there is no time to get greedy, Newsom said, even with many of California’s biggest reservoirs brimming with higher-than-usual water levels providing yet more good news about the water outlook for 2024. “You can take a deep breath this year, but don’t quadruple the amount of time in your shower,” Newsom warned Californians from Phillips Station near Echo Summit. “Consider that this time next year, we may be in a different place.”

“Extremes are becoming the new reality, and that new reality requires a new approach,” the governor said as he touted a five-year update to the [California Water Plan](#), vowing that the Golden State would not sit idly by as “victims of fate” in the face of the oncoming climate crisis.

Newsom’s plan puts a fresh focus on a variety of new water sources, from major infrastructure projects such as the controversial Delta tunnels project to send water under the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta to Southern California, and the [Sites Reservoir](#), a \$4.5 billion project in Colusa County that would become the largest new reservoir anywhere in California in the past 50 years.

“We’re fast tracking them in the new permitting regime that we promoted,” Newsom said.

The plan also calls for restoring ecosystems to improve the resilience of “natural infrastructure” such as aquifers and floodplains along rivers and streams. It also for the first time includes a chapter on Native American water management, which calls for state policies that improve

“Tribes’ ability to access their sacred sites, protect their cultural resources, and support their water rights.”

Water experts say that Newsom’s newly released water plan could be useful guidance to local water agencies as they think about how to develop their projects, but it’s important to not over-inflate its significance. Most of the real action when it comes to building new projects takes place at the local level.

Jay Lund, a professor of civil and environmental engineering at UC Davis, said that even California’s biggest new push for expanding its water supply — the planned construction of the Sites Reservoir — came from a local initiative, not a state push.

“The (state’s) fundamental mission is not building huge (water) infrastructure,” Lund said. “Most water management is done locally, and I think they (the state) understand it.”

Newsom pointed to climate change as a major challenge to the state’s ability to keep water supplies steady throughout the year. One troubling development is that the elevation at which snow accumulates in the Sierra, known as the “snow line,” has risen by about 500 feet due to climate change, experts say. And a [Bay Area News Group analysis](#) last year found that the average Sierra snowpack dropped several inches since the 1950s as the climate has warmed. Even this year, when our total snowpack topped normal, our day-to-day weather patterns were still highly erratic, toggling from very dry conditions early in the season to a snow bonanza in March.

This year, the state hit the water jackpot. The above-average snowpack balance strikes a happy medium between too much snow, which can lead to flooding as the state’s frozen reservoir melts, and too little snow, which could plunge the state back into drought conditions.


As to what comes next for California’s water supply, California Department of Water Resources State Climatologist Michael Anderson said that it’s still hard to predict if the state is in for more accumulation this spring or if things will peter out from here.

The National Weather Service recently issued a snow advisory from 11 p.m. Wednesdays through 11 p.m. Friday for the Sierra as forecasts have begun to pick up on new storms expected to dump several inches of fresh snow to many parts of the Sierra, according to Sacramento National Weather Service meteorologist Eric Kurth.

“If people do have weekend plans (in the Sierra), just be aware, even through 11 p.m. Friday, that there could be some chain controls and slow travel,” Kurth said.

Some areas near Interstate 80 South could get five to 10 inches of snowfall, and south of Highway 50 near Lake Tahoe could get six to 12 inches, Kurth said. The unusually cold temperatures forecast for the approaching storm system could mean that snow flurries pop up even at lower elevations in the Sierra foothills.

SJV WATER: Court ruling against bond financing for controversial Delta tunnel won't impede project, state says

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By Jesse Vad, SJV Water

A recent court ruling may have thrown a wrench in the state's funding plans for the controversial and expensive Delta Conveyance Project – a tunnel to move Sacramento River water 45 miles beneath the ecologically sensitive Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

In January, the Sacramento Superior Court denied the state Department of Water Resources' (DWR) request to finance the project through bonds.

Tunnel opponents hailed the ruling as a blow to the project.

But state staff say the ruling will not impede funding. DWR has appealed the case and is still planning on using bonds to pay for the project if it comes to fruition.

The Delta Conveyance Project relies on the end users – cities and agricultural districts that buy water from the state – footing the bill. DWR typically funds major projects up front through bonds, which are repaid by the participating state water contractors.

Though it's becoming less clear how many state water contractors are still willing to pay for the tunnel, as reported by SJV Water in February.

The most recent estimate of the project's cost is \$16 billion. Tunnel opponents say that number is closer to \$40 or \$50 billion when inflation and interest are factored in over the 20-year construction period.

The state approved the project's final environmental impact report in December of 2023.

"Bonds would allow the participating state water contractors to pay that debt over time, as opposed to needing to upfront fund that project," said Carrie Buckman, DWR's environmental program manager for the Delta Conveyance Project.

Investors want certainty that the bonds will be repaid, said Buckman. The higher the certainty, the lower the interest rate.

The bond ruling stems from a 2020 "validation case."

"The idea is to get the court to confirm that we have the authority to issue bonds, which will help lead to more certainty and a lower lower interest rate," said Buckman.

The resolution was filed in 2020 and challenged by environmental nonprofit Sierra Club.

That was before the current iteration of the delta project was conceptualized. Staff didn't know what the project would look like, said Buckman. Because of that, the court found the project wasn't specific enough to determine whether DWR had the authority to use bonds, she said.

"We don't see this as a block," said Buckman. "I think this is a process that we need to work through, and we're still in it. But we don't see it as a block and the legal case did not indicate that we don't have the authority."

Staff are going to be more specific through the appeals process now that the project is fully formed, added Buckman.

Tunnel opponents see it differently.

"I think it's a major impediment," said Bob Wright, counsel for the Sierra Club. "They have appealed the court's ruling so I can only conclude that they think it is a serious impediment. And that's why they're going to try to get the Court of Appeal to reverse what the trial court rules."

The state has yet to do a cost-benefit analysis on the project, said Wright.

"It's amazing, frankly, they'll give final approval to a project. And meanwhile, they said a long time ago they would do a cost-benefit study later," said Wright.

The lack of true costs and how much water the project would bring in are two of the biggest challenges for a number of water contractors, many of which are watching closely for new cost estimates.

"This is really a complete outrage that DWR is trying to inflict, not only on the environment, and the already very troubled Delta, but also on ratepayers," said Wright.

The appeals process could take some time. If it's not expedited, it could take more than a year, said Wright.

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Water coalition testifies on PFAS CERCLA exemption for utilities

A coalition of national water sector associations testified before the Senate Environment & Public Works (EPW) Committee last week on the implications of listing certain per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA).

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is currently considering listing several PFAS, also known as “forever chemicals” for their persistence in the environment, as hazardous substances under CERCLA.

Given the ubiquitous nature of PFAS and the strict legal liability CERCLA imposes on certain parties just for coming into contact with listed substances, drinking water, wastewater and stormwater utilities and their hundreds of millions of their customers across the United States could be forced to bear significant financial costs to address PFAS contamination — even though these utilities played no role in the manufacture or distribution of PFAS, nor have ever profited from their sale.

The Water Coalition Against PFAS consists of water groups: The Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies (AMWA); American Water Works Association (AWWA), National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA), National Association of Water Companies; National Rural Water Association (NRWA); and the Water Environment Federation (WEF).

The coalition’s [testimony](#) examined the implications of listing certain PFAS as hazardous substances under CERCLA, led at the hearing by Michael Witt, General Counsel of the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission in Newark, New Jersey. Witt said in part:

“It is through the very act of providing clean and safe water to the public that utilities are exposed to CERCLA liability. Utilities do not manufacture or profit from PFAS. Industry did that, for decades.

“In contrast, utilities passively receive PFAS via source water for drinking supplies and through wastewater discharged into sewer systems from homes and businesses. That fact, and that fact alone, exposes each and every water utility in the country to being labeled a “potentially responsible party” under CERCLA. And it exposes millions of water ratepayers across the country to having to fund PFAS cleanups for pollution caused by private corporations. This is simply wrong. Congress must act to fix it.”

Witt’s testimony emphasized the importance of a “polluter pays” approach to dealing with PFAS that will force the companies that made and profited from the chemicals to pay for remediation – not water sector utilities and their customers.

Tracy Mehan, executive director of government affairs for AWWA, which submitted a statement for the record at the hearing, advocated for statutory protections for water and wastewater systems.

According to AWWA, EPA and others have – in the past – proposed entering into settlements with water and wastewater systems to prevent chemical companies and other polluters from offloading their cost burden onto our ratepayers. But AWWA noted that is not a workable solution, saying those types of settlement agreements have backfired against water systems in the past.

Mehan wrote: “The only way to prevent water systems and their ratepayers from significant costs under CERCLA is to provide statutory protections, as Congress has done in the past for parties like generators of municipal solid waste, recyclers, innocent landowners and purchasers, lenders, and cleanup contractors, among others.

AWWA has endorsed S. 1430, the Water Systems PFAS Liability Protection Act, which provides protection from financial liability under CERCLA for water and wastewater systems that comply with all federal laws and regulations in the treatment and disposal of PFAS. We believe this is the most direct solution to the challenges that we face. AWWA urged the EPW Committee to “support inclusion of S. 1430, or language that is substantially similar,” into any PFAS legislative package it advances this year.

Why are we delaying water conservation?

By Robert Hertzberg and Laura Friedman

On the heels of two wet winters, it's easy to forget how close some parts of California came to running out of water a few short years ago. But this climate amnesia will not help us prepare for the next inevitable drought. Since before the state's founding, the boom-and-bust of drought and flood have shaped our landscapes. In this era of climate change, weather extremes are becoming more common and more severe.

The robust water supply of the 20th century is no longer reliable. California recently agreed to [cut water imports from the Colorado River by 10%](#) not out of altruism, but because we must. The Department of Water Resources projects that the Sierra snowpack — a major source of water for farms and cities — could be reduced by as much as 65% by the end of the century. More immediately, California's water supply is projected to [decrease by 10% as early as 2040](#). Now is the time to prepare for a drier, less predictable future.

That's why we spent nearly two years crafting legislation designed to do just that. We developed and shepherded [the passage of two water conservation bills](#), Senate Bill 606 and Assembly Bill 1668, back in 2018. That legislation established a framework for creating long-term water-use efficiency standards for urban water suppliers that would govern indoor use, allowable water loss and outdoor use. The State Water Resources Control Board was charged with crafting the standards, working with the Department of Water Resources, businesses, environmental advocates and water utilities.

The process has required compromise all around. The standards for indoor use and allowable water loss were hammered out by 2023, but there has been a delay in finalizing the outdoor-use efficiency standards.

In large part because of that delay, the water board is about to trample the hard-won work that's been done so far by allowing water utilities [until 2035 or later](#) to implement meaningful reductions. Under the current proposal, according to the board's ["provisional data,"](#) 72% of Californians won't have to save any additional water for another 10 years. But climate change isn't waiting another decade to deepen its impacts. We need to stretch every drop from years when we get enough snow, as in this year, to carry us through the hot, dry periods to come.

SB 606 and AB 1668 and the standards that are being set won't tell Californians how many times a week to shower or when they can water their yards. The framework creates "water budgets" for water suppliers — customized bottom lines based on population, water use in the service area, climate and the like — that the utilities and their customers can meet in ways that best fit their individual situations.

The goal of the budgets is to keep faucets flowing and water bills in check by pushing the utilities to invest in efficiency. That means replacing aging infrastructure to reduce wasteful leaks. It means incentivizing users to replace their lawns with California-friendly plants and to update washing machines, toilets and faucets — all of which utilities can promote through rebates or even by doing the work themselves for households that can't afford to pay upfront and wait for reimbursement.

Because the water board's latest plan for implementing efficiency standards has such an extended timeline, water will inevitably become even more expensive, including for low-income households and communities. While it is true that investing in efficiency costs money, it is the least expensive and fastest way to get our demand for water into balance with increasingly limited supplies. It can give us all more flexibility, so we're not facing mandatory cutbacks or situations where households worry they can't afford water for basic needs.

Dollars not invested in improved efficiency will not be saved; they will instead have to be spent on more expensive options to achieve water sustainability, such as wastewater recycling and desalination plants. These are important tools essential to improving our water security, but they take time to build. Whether a water utility is promoting efficiency or recycling wastewater into drinking water, those costs ultimately get passed on to customers. Viewed in this full context, prioritizing investments in efficiency is raging commonsense.

It is essential for state leaders to create durable and responsible policy rooted in today's climate reality. Our water supply is under intense pressure.

It's not too late to turn this ship around. We can end the delay in implementing our conservation legislation by reverting to earlier proposed standards for outdoor water use in urban areas and finally holding utilities to appropriate water budgets.

The state water board must do what is right for our communities, our environment and our future: Make efficiency the top priority. Don't leave Californians waiting decades longer to make conservation a way of life.

Robert Hertzberg is a former speaker of the Assembly and former majority leader of the state Senate. Assemblymember Laura Friedman (D-Glendale) is running to replace Adam B. Schiff in the U.S. House of Representatives.

PRESS RELEASE: Analysis: State Water Board's Proposal to Water Down Urban Water Conservation Regulation Leaves Calif. at Risk of Shortages

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Total water savings through conservation will not drop below current levels until 2035

From the Conserve 4 CA Coalition:


Earlier today, water experts and environmental justice advocates provided a briefing to analyze the impacts of the State Water Board's just-released updates to its proposed urban water conservation regulation. In short, the updated draft regulation leaves California vulnerable to precipitation extremes under climate change, allowing for increases in water use in the near-term and delaying meaningful urban water conservation until 2040. With the California Department of Water Resources predicting a reduction in water supplies of 10% by 2040, the delay will likely force urban water suppliers to over-invest in more expensive new sources of water instead of advancing conservation measures, which are more affordable and more equitable.

"Plain and simple, the Water Board's updated draft regulation will make water more expensive for Californians," said Heather Cooley, director of research with the Pacific Institute.

Estimated Statewide Water Savings				
	Water Savings (Acre-Feet)			
	2025	2030	2035	2040
August Proposed Regulations	183,000	569,000	703,000	703,000
March Revised Regulations	132,000	181,000	376,000	497,000
Reductions in Water Savings	51,700	388,000	327,000	206,000

These estimates do not include most variances, i.e., increases in budgets to account for seasonal population, swamp coolers, livestock, etc.
Based on provisional data from the State Water Board.

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In a high-level analysis of the updated regulation [graphs available for download at this link], Cooley of the Pacific Institute noted that the total amount of water saved through urban conservation would be reduced by nearly 400,000 acre-feet per year in 2030 and by more

than 200,000 acre-feet by 2040. For context, the City of Los Angeles uses about 500,000 acre-feet annually. “The changes in the updated regulation will have real impacts on how much water is available to Californians and at what cost for decades to come,” added Cooley.

The California Legislature passed two laws in 2018 to Make Conservation a California Way of Life, and this regulation is the implementation of those laws. Governor Newsom’s Water Supply Strategy also calls for conserving at least 500,000 acre-feet of water every year by 2030. Policy makers in Sacramento recognize the instability of California’s water supplies and the need to stretch dollars and drops as far as possible in this era of regular and prolonged droughts.

The State Legislative Analyst’s Office issued a critique of draft the regulation released by the Water Board last August, claiming the regulation would be too expensive and too complicated to implement. The LAO report, which was based on partial information and incorrect assumptions, also did not take into account the cost of new water supplies, such as wastewater recycling and desalination. While all these strategies are likely to be part of California’s water future, delayed conservation efforts are likely to spur investment in costly new infrastructure that may not be needed once the benefits of conservation are fully realized. On average, reducing demand for water through conservation and efficiency costs between \$600-\$1,800 per acre-foot. Even the high end cost per acre-foot saved through conservation is lower than the average costs of generating new water. For example, the estimated cost per acre-foot of water through wastewater recycling ranges from \$2,000-\$2,500 per acre-foot through indirect potable reuse and \$2,400-3,600 per acre-foot through direct potable reuse. And seawater desalination costs somewhere between \$3,100-3,400 per acre-foot.

“Our ability to provide reliable and affordable water to California communities is being threatened by climate change, it should be a no-brainer to prioritize water conservation – the only new supply that also saves energy and reduces utility bills,” added Tracy Quinn, president and CEO of Heal the Bay. “We shouldn’t be taking our foot off the pedal, we should be slamming it through the floorboard. It is the State Water Board’s duty to prevent the waste and unreasonable use of water, but these new regulations actually encourage more waste. The proposed delays of stronger standards are unconscionable. The new regulation may as well be called, ‘Making Waiting for Conservation A California Way of Life.’”

Unlike large-scale water infrastructure projects that can take a decade or more to implement, water conservation can be realized quickly, with fewer environmental impacts. Conservation also brings a wide range of benefits, such as reducing energy use and associated greenhouse gas emissions, enhancing habitat for native species, and lowering water bills for

everyone – including low-income Californians. It is possible, and essential, to make conservation work for low-income communities, which are already hardest hit by the impacts of climate change.

“One of the most troubling things about the updated regulation is the decision to further slow down the requirement for agencies that supply water to low-income communities to invest in conservation,” noted Jennifer Clary, California state director with Clean Water Action. “Saving water helps low-income households save money by lowering their utility bills. If the state really cares about equity and environmental justice, it would be accelerating the pace of conservation in underrepresented communities, not delaying it.”

The updated regulation is projected to reduce water use by only 12% by 2040. Research by the Pacific Institute shows the potential for reduced water use through conservation and efficiency is 30% to 48%. Federal funds are available through 2026 to support conservation investments. Stronger conservation regulations could incentivize local water suppliers to pursue these funds and take action quickly, but the updated regulation currently under review eliminates such incentives by significantly extending the timeline for complying with the stricter standards.

The updated proposed regulation affects different parts of the state in different ways. For example:

- The South Coast region of the state will be allowed to continue wasting 200K acre-feet of water through 2030 that could be saved through investments in transforming outdoor areas to California-appropriate landscaping.
- Wealthy Southern California cities with high water use, like Beverly Hills, Palos Verdes, and Westlake Village, may now use an alternative compliance path that only requires them to reduce water use by 2% per year.
- The San Francisco Bay area will now only realize conservation savings of less than 600 acre-feet of water annually by 2030, compared to 19,000 acre-feet called for in the previous version of the regulation.

“Tens of thousands of Californians nearly lost access to water just two short years ago. We can’t afford to forget that climate change is here, and weather extremes are the new normal,” said Ed Osann, a senior policy analyst with NRDC (Natural Resources Defense Council). “The Water Board should scrap this attempt to slow-walk conservation and revert to its previous timeline and outdoor efficiency standards.”

The State Water Board will hold a public workshop on the updated proposed regulation on March 20th and will accept written public comment on the proposal until March 27th. More than 100 groups have signed on to a statement of principles urging the state to prioritize conservation to protect access to safe and affordable water for every California resident. Learn more at conserve4ca.org/.



News for Immediate Release__

Survey shows Southern Californians committed to water efficiency

Conservation remains top of mind for residents amid a changing climate

March 15, 2024

A vast majority of Southern Californians are committed to doing more to conserve water amid growing concerns about how climate change will affect the availability of water in the future, a recent Metropolitan Water District survey found.

Survey results presented to a Metropolitan board committee earlier this week showed 90% of respondents agree it's important to conserve water every day, whether or not the region is in drought, and 75% are willing to do more to conserve than they're doing currently.

Metropolitan General Manager Adel Hagekhalil underscored that the region's commitment to conservation will be critical in the future, as climate change stresses the availability of imported water supplies with longer and more severe droughts – a challenge recognized by those surveyed. According to the survey, 75% agree that climate change will significantly impact Southern California's water supply in the future and 83% agree that Southern California will experience more droughts.

"The results of this survey are very reassuring, because they show that our residents are rightly concerned about our future and are willing to be our partners in adapting to the extreme droughts and other challenges that climate change will bring," Hagekhalil said.

"At the same time, there is an expectation from the public that we as water managers make needed investments to ensure we have reliable water supplies for generations to come. We cannot rely on conservation alone," he added, noting 79% of survey respondents agreed that water managers must invest in water infrastructure.

The regional survey on water conservation was conducted in November 2023 by [Probolsky Research](#) via phone and online in English and Spanish to 1,000 participants within Metropolitan's six-county service area. Metropolitan regularly engages in research to assess attitudes and opinions on critical water issues to help inform how to best communicate and engage with its communities.

Over the last 30 years, Southern Californians have continued to demonstrate their commitment to sustainability, with per person potable water use dropping by nearly 40%. Metropolitan [has invested \\$910 million](#) to help incentivize water-use efficiency with rebates for water efficient devices and landscape changes, education programs, research, and public outreach. During the 2022-23 fiscal year, Metropolitan invested about \$46 million for these conservation programs.



Metropolitan's Turf Replacement Program, in particular, has helped transform the landscape of Southern California, with more than 200 million square feet of thirsty grass removed and replaced with more water-efficient California Friendly and native landscapes. In an effort to help expand the region's tree canopy and promote sustainability, a [new rebate](#) launched this month provides an additional \$100 per tree that participants incorporate into their turf replacement projects.

Collectively, the water saved through these investments and through the efforts made by Southern Californians has made a big difference in ensuring the region has water during times of drought. In fact, about 2.5 million acre-feet of the record 3.4 million acre-feet of Metropolitan has in storage is water conserved by the region. Without these conserved supplies, the district's storage reserves would have reached critically low levels during droughts over the past 20 years, possibly triggering additional and more widespread calls for mandatory rationing.

With a hotter, drier future in store, with extreme periods of drought and storms, Metropolitan is also engaging in a new planning process that accounts for those challenges. In 2023, Metropolitan launched a [Climate Adaptation Master Plan for Water](#) (CAMP4W), a collaborative effort to create a roadmap for future capital investments and business decisions to adapt for a changed climate and the impact on water reliability.



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SPOTLIGHT MARCH 2024: LEGISLATIVE TOURS

MAXIMIZE OUTREACH EFFECTIVENESS

- **BY ACWA STAFF MAR 15, 2024 NEWSLETTERS**

Tahoe City sits squarely within the wildland urban interface, that zone where communities and forested wildlands meet, setting the stage for catastrophic impact on communities from wildfires. The area's water supplier, the Tahoe City Public Utility District (TCPUD), knows how to mitigate that risk by upgrading water infrastructure with upsized waterlines and better fire hydrant spacing. But having the answer and having the funding are two different things.

Over the past few years, TCPUD has persistently engaged lawmakers at the state and federal level to educate them on this issue faced by small, rural communities and how to help support efforts to secure critical funding. Legislative tours played an effective role. Elected officials were brought to neighborhoods that clearly illustrated the danger and engaged in discussions about solutions to address the problem.

TCPUD's efforts, in partnership with neighboring water agencies, helped secure federal funding through the Lake Tahoe Restoration Act for water infrastructure projects that address fire suppression deficiencies. Critical to this success was a tour for Rep. Kevin Kiley (R-3), who took a tour and worked to add projects to his 2024 fiscal year Community Project Funding list. A separate tour also demonstrated the value of these projects to Marie Alvarado-Gil during her race for the state Senate in 2022. The tour helped, now Senator Alvarado-Gil (D-Jackson), further cement her ongoing support for more state funding related to wildfire protection, already strong through her home community's experience with the Caldor Fire in 2021.

"Seeing what can happen, what did happen with the Caldor Fire, then seeing a community facing the same risk, I think that really connected with her," said Kim Boyd, TCPUD Director of Strategic Affairs and one-person public affairs team.

Boyd and other ACWA member agency communication professionals recently shared their experience and advice using tours to educate elected officials about critical issues. While larger agencies are at an advantage with larger staffs, smaller districts can also successfully incorporate tours for lawmakers into their outreach.

In the Central Valley, the McMullin Area Groundwater Sustainability Agency (MAGSA) invited Rep. John Duarte (R-13) for a visit to the McMullin On-Farm Flood Capture Expansion Project. The tour tied together how the agency is engaged to bring its area into groundwater sustainability.

"Tours take your projects out of the abstract giving elected officials an on-the-ground insight into the work you are doing," said MAGSA Deputy General Manager Cristel Tufenkjian. "You can visualize a giant sequoia tree from a picture, but physically standing in front of one brings a whole new perspective to the word 'giant.' Tours are an invaluable tool for MAGSA and worth the time and effort."

PREPARE FOR PERSISTENCE

Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) in Riverside County maintains a robust legislative outreach program that has included about a dozen facility tours during the past five years.

EMWD hosted a tour last year tied to its plans to build an indirect potable reuse facility. Local congressman U.S. Rep. Mark Takano attended along with U.S. Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland. The facility is scheduled to break ground later this year.

However, organizing a successful tour can require persistence.

"There have been times, especially when we have newly elected legislators, that it has taken a while," said EMWD Director of Policy and Governmental Affairs Jolene Walsh, about sending invites for other tours and not hearing back. "But we don't give up and assume they're not interested. We continue to engage and attract their attention."

PERSONALIZE MATERIALS

Elected officials understand the connection between what they see during a tour and what it means to their constituents' quality of life. However, finding ways to further amplify that connection can heighten a tour's ultimate value. EMWD emphasizes this link through personalized materials, such as personalized Capital Improvement Program booklets. These include a cover with an elected official's photo and copy that highlights specific infrastructure and exactly how it benefits a given district.

"They really appreciate having the summary of projects in their area," EMWD's Walsh said. "It draws a direct line between the value of a project and the quality of life for their constituents."

FIND PARTNERS

A common thread running through advice on legislative tours from agencies contacted focuses on forging partnerships. The resulting teamwork can result in a highly effective, and compelling, tour for elected officials and decision makers. This can include teaming up with neighboring districts, cities and regional alliances.

For example, TCPUD worked through its membership in the Tahoe Fire for Water Partnership in organizing the tours for U.S. Rep. Kiley and Senator Alvarado-Gil.

"Leveraging partnerships is a must," said TCPUD's Boyd, adding that tours have become part of a ramped-up outreach program for the district during the past four years.

The Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District (Upper District) regularly offers a tour for local partners and elected officials. Familiar with the Upper District's tours, Assemblymember Blanca Rubio (D-Baldwin) requested one on a couple of occasions to educate her staff on local water issues and for her agriculture contacts in the Central Valley.

With Assemblymember Diane Papan (D-San Mateo) becoming the new chair of the Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife committee, Upper District staff worked with Rubio's office to offer a February tour and acquaint her with its region and local water supply. In addition to state Senator Maria Elena Durazo (D-Los Angeles), two board members from the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Board also joined.

"What was unique about this tour is that we worked collaboratively with the other agencies in our region such as Three Valleys, San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District and Rowland Water District to help highlight their infrastructure needs and present a unified message on our water supply needs," said Patty Cortez, Upper District's Assistant General Manager for External Affairs.

Additional \$205 Million in Funding for Sites Reservoir

MARCH 13, 2024 [AGRI-BUSINESS](#), [FUNDING](#), [WATER](#)

Congress has given the green light for a significant boost to the Sites Reservoir Project, based on a recommendation from the Bureau of Reclamation. A total of \$205.6 million in federal funds is being allocated. The money comes from the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act, which helps enhance water systems across the country. It marks the largest single award in the history of the WIIN Act for a storage project.

“With the support of the Biden-Harris administration, Reclamation continues to make historic investments in Western water infrastructure projects like Sites Reservoir,” Commissioner Camille Calimlim Touton [said in a press release](#). “This project reaffirms Reclamation’s partnerships with the State of California and the Sites Project Authority, as well as our ongoing commitment to increase drought resiliency in California and across the West.”

The Sites Reservoir aims to bolster water supplies across California while also supporting native wildlife during droughts. This project will add 1.5 million acre-feet of storage, significantly enhancing the state’s water flexibility and reliability during dry years. Last summer, the project received \$30 million from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, making the total federal contribution to date \$439.3 million.

Sites Project Authority Chairman Fritz Durst emphasizes the importance of federal support for the project, to increase overall water reliability statewide. The project has garnered widespread backing from various stakeholders, including cities, counties, and water agencies throughout California. Lawmakers like Senator Alex Padilla and Congressman Doug LaMalfa have also commended the project for its role in ensuring water security in the face of future droughts.

With more than \$3 billion in federal financing secured, along with state funds, the Sites Reservoir Project is set to become California’s first major reservoir since 1999. The Sites Project Authority notes that had the reservoir already been functional, it would be at an estimated 80 percent capacity based on 2023 flows and storms in early 2024.



President proposes \$1.6 billion in fiscal year 2025 for Bureau of Reclamation

Budget continues Reclamation's efforts to enhance water and hydropower reliability across the West.

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Part of California's Central Valley water supply, February storms brought much needed precipitation and helped fill our reservoirs. The spillway at Shasta Dam opened 10 of the 18 valves to help manage reservoir storage.

WASHINGTON - President Biden today proposed a \$1.6 billion gross discretionary fiscal year 2025 budget for the U.S. Department of the Interior's Bureau of Reclamation. The budget builds on recent accomplishments and supports the Administration's goals of ensuring reliable and environmentally responsible delivery of water and power for farms, families, communities and industry, while providing tools to confront widening imbalances between supply and demand throughout the West.

"The President's budget proposal supports Reclamation's critical work delivering water and generating power in the West in the face of a historic drought and a changing climate," said **Reclamation Commissioner Camille Calimlim Touton**. "Reclamation will also be able to continue its collaboration with its many partners, stakeholders and Tribes as we all work for sustainable water and power solutions into the future."

The proposed FY 2025 budget includes \$1.4 billion for Reclamation's principal operating account (Water and Related Resources), which funds planning, construction, water conservation, drought resiliency and mitigation, efforts to address fish and wildlife habitat needs, as well as operation, maintenance and rehabilitation activities—including dam safety—at Reclamation facilities. Funding of \$33 million is requested to implement the California Bay-Delta Program and address California's current water supply and ecological challenges, while \$55.7 million is for the Central Valley Project Restoration Fund to protect, restore, and enhance fish, wildlife, and associated habitats in California's Central Valley and Trinity River Basins. The request also provides \$66.8 million for the Policy and Administration account to develop, evaluate, and directly implement Reclamation-wide policy, rules and regulation as well as other administrative functions.

Reclamation's dams and reservoirs, water conveyance systems, and power generating facilities continue to represent a primary focus area of organizational operations. The budget includes \$210.2 million for the Dam Safety Program to effectively manage risks to the downstream public, of which \$182.6 million is for modification actions. Another focus area for infrastructure is \$74.8 million requested for extraordinary maintenance activities across Reclamation—part of a strategy to improve asset management and deal with aging infrastructure to ensure continued reliable delivery of water and power.

In addition to the request, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (P.L. 117-58), enacted in November 2021, appropriated \$8.3 billion into Water and Related Resources in \$1.66 billion annual appropriations from FY 2022 – FY 2026 under Title IX, Western Water Infrastructure. Of this amount more than \$670 million is planned to further supplement the extraordinary maintenance request in FY 2025.

Section 70101 of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law also established the Indian Water Rights Settlements Completion Fund, making \$2.5 billion available to the Secretary of the Interior for Tribal settlement implementation to be allocated to Reclamation and the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). The FY 2025 discretionary request includes \$181 million for the White Mountain Apache Tribe, while remaining capital expenses of Reclamation's responsibilities for settlement implementation will be financed from the Completion Fund and the Reclamation Water Settlements Fund. The FY 2025 budget request also proposes legislation to provide an additional \$2.8 billion for settlement implementation--\$340 million (\$34 million annually over ten years) for Reclamation's ongoing requirements for specific settlements, and \$2.5 billion (\$250 million annually over ten years) available to BIA and Reclamation for existing and future settlement needs.

The budget supports many of the Biden-Harris administration priorities, including those for Conservation and Climate Resilience. This is emphasized by a \$49.1 million request for the Lower Colorado River Operations Program, including \$10.2 million to build on the work of Reclamation, Colorado River partners and stakeholders to implement drought contingency plans; \$8.3 million for the Upper Colorado River Operations Program to support Drought Response Operations; \$205.4 million to find long-term, comprehensive water supply solutions for farmers, families, and communities in the Central Valley Project of California; and \$65.6 million for the WaterSMART Program to support Reclamation's collaboration with non-federal partners in efforts to address emerging water demands and water shortage issues in the West. A total of \$29.6 million will continue Reclamation's Research and Development investments in science, technology, and desalination research in support of prize competitions, technology transfers, and pilot testing projects.

The FY 2025 request for Reclamation continues to support Racial and Economic Equity through commitments to underserved communities and Tribal areas. For example, it includes \$58.5 million to advance the construction and continues the operations and maintenance of authorized rural water projects, and \$29.5 million for the Native American Affairs Program, which provides technical support and assistance to tribal governments to develop and manage their water resources, including \$9 million for Tribal drought assistance.

Other highlights of Reclamation's FY 2025 budget proposal include:

- \$4.5 million for Power Program Services to support renewable energy initiatives through efforts to increase Reclamation hydropower value and capability.
- \$26.6 million for the Site Security Program which includes physical security upgrades at key facilities, guards and patrols, anti-terrorism program activities and security risk assessments.
- \$35.3 million for the Klamath Project (Oregon, California), including funds for studies and initiatives related to improving water supplies and addressing competing demands for agricultural, tribal, wildlife and environmental needs.
- \$13.1 million to continue work on the Arkansas Valley Conduit (Colorado), which will provide an alternate clean drinking water supply to rural communities grappling with groundwater contamination issues.
- \$35.5 for the Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Project (Washington) to continue the construction of the Cle Elum Fish Passage, development of irrigation district implementation grants, construction of the Toppenish Creek Corridor, and the Wapato Irrigation Project conservation improvements.

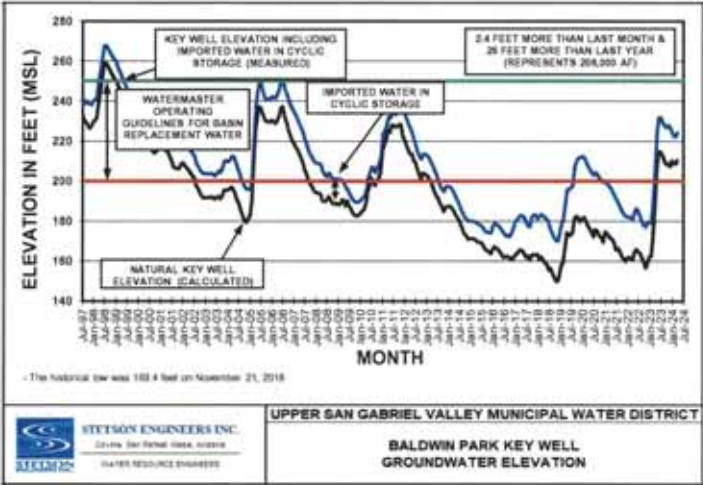
Additional details about Reclamation's budget request are available at www.usbr.gov/budget.

Additional details about anticipated FY 2025 allocations from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law are available at www.usbr.gov/bil.

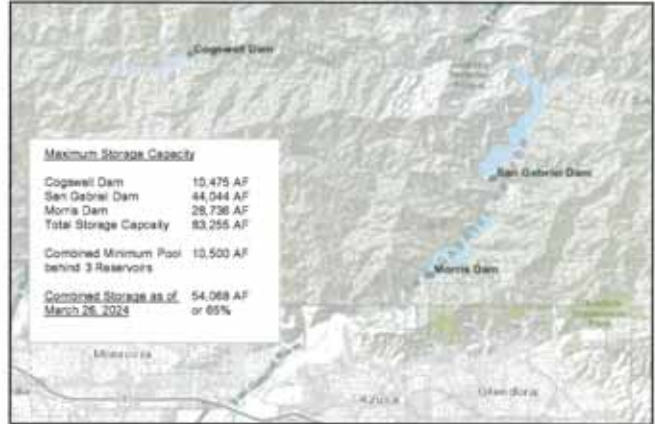


**REPORT OF THE DISTRICT ENGINEER
ON HYDROLOGIC CONDITIONS
APRIL 10, 2024**

Baldwin Park Key Well

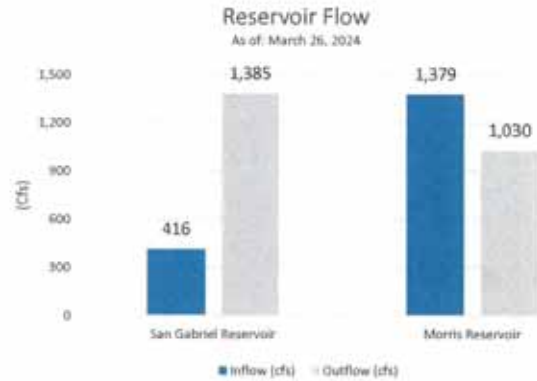


Reservoir Storage and Releases



**Groundwater Elevation
March 2024**

	Groundwater Elevation (ft)	Difference from prior month (ft)	Difference from prior year (ft)
March 24, 2023	198.8		
February 16, 2024	222.0		
March 21, 2024	224.4	2.4	25.6



Untreated Imported Water in Cyclic Storage Accounts

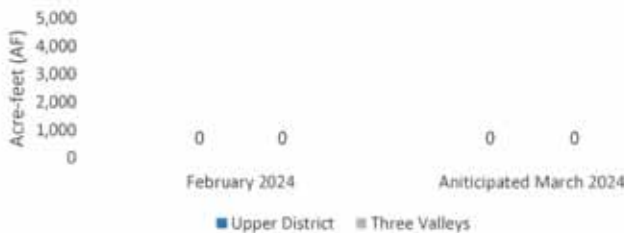
Producer Cyclic Storage	58,000 AF
MWD Cyclic Storage (For UID RDA Delivery)	0 AF
Other Cyclic Storage	19,000 AF
Total	77,000 AF*

*Represents about 10 feet of groundwater elevation at the Key Well

USG-3

- Located in San Gabriel Canyon, just below Morris Dam, it represents Upper District's primary point of delivery of untreated imported water for groundwater replenishment to the San Gabriel Valley
- Typical delivery rate is about 190 cfs (or about 375 AF per day)

Imported Deliveries through USG-3

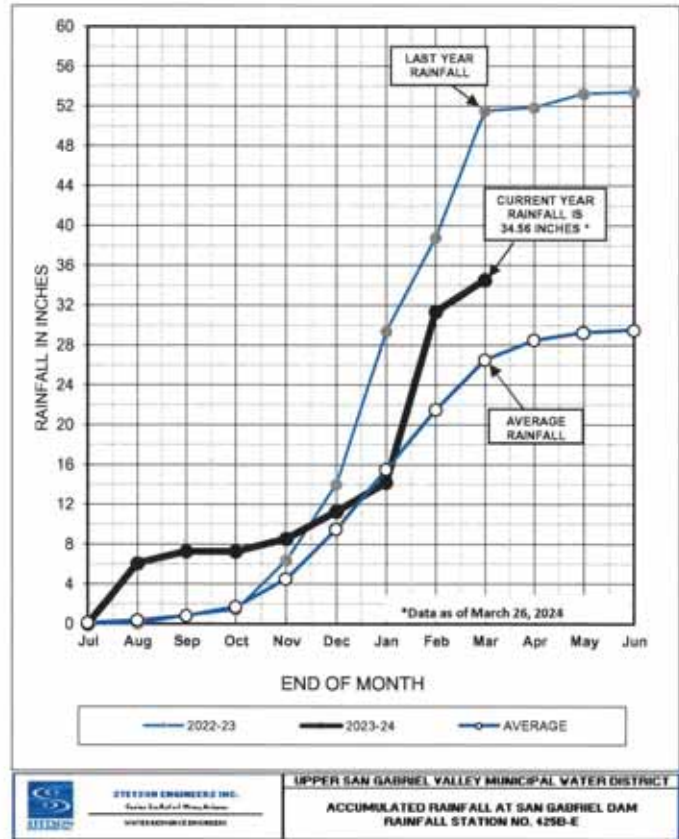
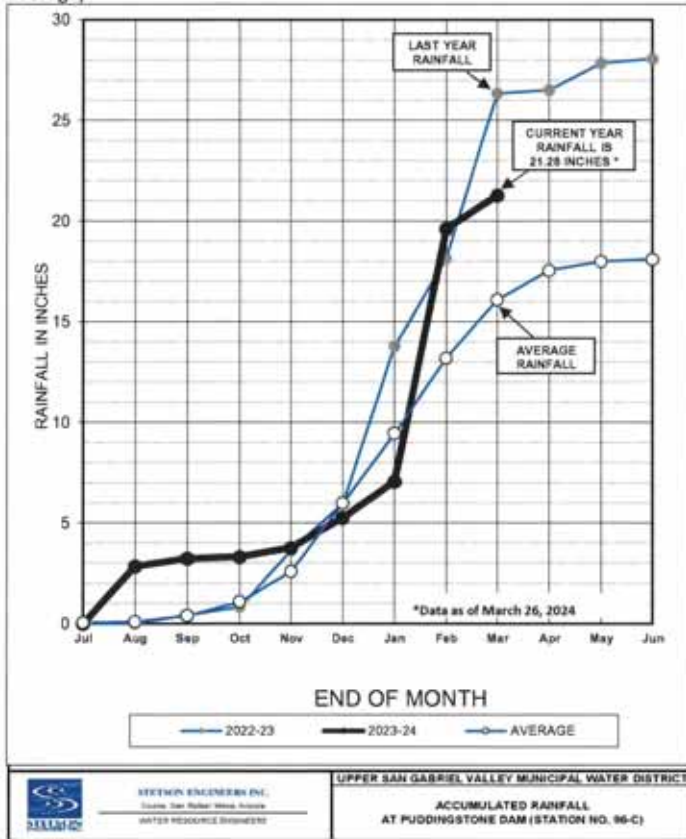




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Rainfall

• Data are readily available on a daily basis and are indicative of comparative amount of rainfall in the San Gabriel Valley (percent of average)



Water Quality

• Water Systems are required by the Division of Drinking Water (DDW) to collect water quality data from source wells and provide the results to DDW Pursuant to Title 22 (Water quality data collected through Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster's Basinwide Groundwater Quality Monitoring Program)

- During March 2024, 8 wells were sampled under Title 22
- During February 2024, 65 wells were sampled under Title 22
- During February 2024, Stetson Engineers Inc. received no public notice of wells shut down due to contamination



MEMORANDUM



11.
GENERAL MANAGER'S
REPORT

General Manager's Monthly Report April 10, 2024

Water Supply Update



Baldwin Park Key Well: 224.4 feet on 3/21/24
San Gabriel Canyon: 54,068 AF combined storage as of 3/26/24
San Gabriel Reservoir: inflow 416 cfs; release 1,385 cfs
Morris Reservoir: inflow 1,379 cfs; release 1,030 cfs



USG-3 deliveries during February 2024:
None
Rainfall as of 3/26/24:
• 21.28" - Puddingstone Dam
• 34.56" - San Gabriel Dam

MWD Water Supply Conditions as of March 21, 2024, are summarized as follows:

Reservoir	Capacity	Current Storage	Compared to last year
San Luis	2.04 MAF	73%, 1.49 MAF	550 TAF less
Oroville	3.54 MAF	86%, 3.03 MAF	139 TAF more
D. Valley Lake	810 TAF	91%, 739 TAF	251 TAF more
Lake Powell	24.3 MAF	32%, 7.79 MAF	2.45 MAF more
Lake Mead	26.1 MAF	37%, 9.65 MAF	2.26 MAF more

*Storage volumes are in units of Million Acre-Feet (MAF), or Thousand Acre-Feet (TAF)



Drought Actions

WSCP status: Level 2, 20% conservation target, 3 day/week outdoor watering summer, 2 day/week outdoor watering in winter

Water Use Efficiency



Residential Water\$mart Rebates
Since July 2023 - \$529,989.26



Commercial Water\$mart Rebates
Since July 2023 - \$157,020



Water Smart Home Kits
Homes Served: 203



MAAP Funds 2022-2024 - \$572,000
Reserved: \$572,000 (pending \$23,700)
Invoiced to MWD: \$207,632

Education and Outreach



Upcoming Landscaping Workshops

April 9, 2024 @ 6-7pm – Pollinators *Virtual*

April 25, 2024 @ 6-7pm – Landscape Transformation on a Budget *Virtual*

May 11, 2024 @ 10-2pm – Individual 12-minute Consultations at WaterFest 2024

June 6, 2024 @ 6-7pm – Nature & Health *Virtual*



Watershed Restoration

March Event – 639 tree saplings transplanted into milk crates

Fall Events – October 12, 2024 & November 2, 2024



WaterFest 2024

Saturday, May 11th from 10am-2pm

Arcadia County Park



Upcoming Outreach Events

LA Sanitation District's Earth Day Event – Saturday, April 13th 10am-2pm

Earth Day Celebration in Monrovia – Saturday, April 20th 10am-2pm

Dia de Los Niños – El Monte – Saturday, April 27th 10am-3pm

Legislative Update



2024 Primary Election Summary:

California held its Primary Election where voters had an opportunity to vote for their party's candidates to Congress, the State Senate, the State Assembly, and local offices. Following is a summary of races of interest to Upper District's service area:

U.S. Senate: Representative Adam Schiff, D-Burbank (31.6%), against Republican and former Dodger player Steve Garvey (31.5%). Final results in this race are still awaiting certification from the secretary of state's office.

U.S. Congress: 31st Congressional District: Gil Cisneros -D (23.6%), against Daniel Jose Bocic Martinez -R (19.2%)

28th Congressional District: Judy Chu – D (66.3%), against April Verlato (29.3%)

State Senate: 25th Senate District, currently held by Senator Portantino, Republican Elizabeth Long Ahlers (33.5%) will face Democrat Sasha Renee Perez (34.33%)

State Assembly: 41st Assembly District - Michelle Del Rosario Marinez -R (32.3%) will face John Harabedian -D (31.9%);

48th Assembly District, Blanca Rubio -D (41.3%) vs. Dan Tran – R (39.4%);

49th Assembly – Mike Fong – D (64%) vs. Long Liu – R (35.9%);

56th Assembly District – Lisa Calderon – D (56.3%) vs. Jessica Martinez – R (32%)

Board of Supervisors: 5th District – Kathryn Barger (56.8%) vs. Chris Holden (21.9%)

4th District – Janice Hahn (57.8%) vs. Alex Villanueva (28.1%)

City of Covina: District 2: Walt Allen (100%); District 4: Patricia Cortez (68.8%) vs. S. Zermeno (31%)

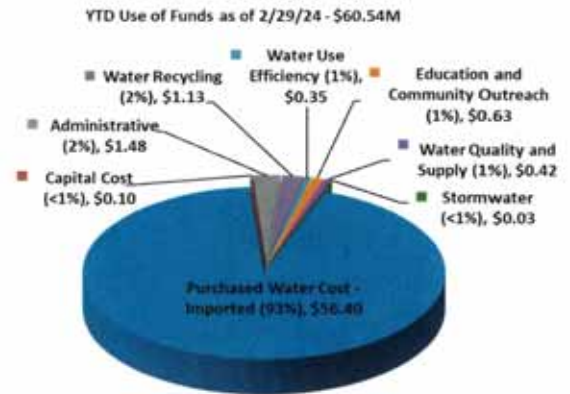
City of Monrovia: Mayor: Becky Shevlin (67.5%) vs. Larry Spicer (32.5%); At-large-council seats (2) – Sergio Jimenez (34.3%) and Edward Beldan (27.6%)

Finance and Administration



Financial Highlights for FY 23/24

- Treated water sales: 1,892 AF
- Untreated water sales: 61,601 AF
- YTD net operating revenues: \$3.17M



**Summary Report for
The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
Board Meeting
March 12, 2024**

PUBLIC HEARING

Public hearing regarding: the proposed water rates and charges for calendar years 2025 and 2026 necessary to meet the revenue requirements for fiscal years 2024/25 and 2025/26.

(Agenda Item 4a)

CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

Announced formation of a new Ethics, Organization, and Personnel Subcommittee on 360 Evaluations Review of Direct Reports.

- Directors Bryant, Dennstedt, Ortega, Phan, Pressman, and Smith were appointed as members and

Appointed Director Armstrong as Chair of Subcommittee on Audits. **(Agenda Item 6B)**

Nominated and Elected Directors Armstrong, Garza and De Jesus as nonofficer members of the Executive Committee for the remaining two-year term effective March 12, 2024 and ending at the January 2025 Board Meeting. **(Agenda Item 6C)**

- Director Armstrong was appointed Chair of the Subcommittee on Audit
- Directors De Jesus and Garza were appointed as members of the Subcommittee on Audit.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

Awarded a \$1,754,000 contract to Granite Construction Company for the rehabilitation of asphalt pavement at the F.E. Weymouth Water Treatment Plant. **(Agenda Item 7-1)**

Awarded an \$892,552 procurement contract to Whipps Inc. for the fabrication of three slide gate assemblies for the East Lake Skinner Bypass channel. **(Agenda Item 7-2)**

(a) Awarded a \$1,779,174 procurement contract to Vogt Valves Inc. for a 132-inch diameter butterfly valve to be installed at the Foothill Pump Station as part of water supply reliability improvements in the Rialto Pipeline service area; and (b) Authorized an increase of \$260,000 to an existing agreement with HDR Engineering Inc. for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$1,560,000

for design of Stage 2 for the Inland Feeder/San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Foothill Pump Station Intertie. **(Agenda Item 7-3)**

Authorized an increase to an existing agreement with Tetra Tech Inc. for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$3,350,000 for design services for the Iron Mountain SL&P Electrical Improvements project. **(Agenda Item 7-4)**

Amended the Capital Investment Plan for fiscal years 2022/2023 and 2023/2024 to include the Sepulveda Feeder Pump Stations Stage 2 and the Inglewood Lateral Improvements projects. **(Agenda Item 7-5)**

Authorized an increase of \$1.3 million to an existing agreement with Helix Environmental Planning Inc. for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$4.1 million to continue preparing environmental documentation for the Pure Water Southern California Program. **(Agenda Item 7-6)**

Authorized an increase of \$320,000 to a purchase order with Total Transportation Logistics Inc. for a new not-to-exceed total amount of \$540,000 for storage of filter valves for the F.E. Weymouth Water Treatment Plant. **(Agenda Item 7-7)**

Approved amendments to the Metropolitan Water District Administrative Code to provide an exempt time off benefit for unrepresented employees, create a new reproductive loss leave benefit, and to conform personnel regulations for unrepresented employees to current practices and regulations; and authorized the General Manager to adjust unrepresented salaries to conform with the equity wage and cost-of-living adjustments provided to Metropolitan's management unit. **(Agenda Item 7-8)**

OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

Approved motion to authorize lease agreement with Lemhi Land and Cattle LLC according to price and terms presented in closed session and as set forth in the confidential letter. **(Agenda Item 8-1)**

THIS INFORMATION SHOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED THE OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE MEETING.

All current month materials, and materials after July 1, 2021 are available on the public website here: <https://mwdh2o.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

This database contains archives from the year 1928 to June 30, 2021:
<https://bda.mwdh2o.com/Pages/Default.aspx>

Summary Report for the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority March 20, 2024

Presentation on the Westside EMOU and Westside Remy in El Monte

A detailed presentation on the Westside EMOU work parties and the implementation of the Westside Remy in the El Monte operable unit was given.

Closed Session

A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1) – Conference with Legal Counsel re: Existing Litigation – San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority v. 3M Company.

Federal Funding Update

The acquisition of \$5.5 million in FY 2024 funding was announced.

The process for applying for additional funding was outlined, including successful applications and plans for applying for FY 2025 funding through various senators' offices.

Budget Presentation

A budget presentation is scheduled for April 9th during the Administrative Finance committee meeting.

Summary Report for the
Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster
Regular Board Meeting
March 06, 2024

Closed Session

A closed session was held for a conference with Legal Counsel regarding a personnel matter. Following closed session, the following actions were taken:

1. The Board of Directors approved the terms of an agreement with Mr. Russ Bryden to serve as the Executive Officer for 12 months, including a six-month introductory period.
2. The Board of Directors approved the terms of an agreement with Mr. Anthony Zampello to serve as Chief Administrator Officer for a six-month period followed by a three-month consulting period.



MEMORANDUM



**15.
DIRECTORS'
REPORT (AB 1234)**

Directors' Activity Report – (AB 1234)
In accordance with CA Government Code Section 53232.3 (d)
April 2024

ANTHONY R. FELLOW, Division 1

Date	Event	Description/Topics
	No reportable activity.	

CHARLES M. TREVIÑO, Division 2

Date	Event	Description
	No reportable activity.	

ED CHAVEZ, Division 3

Date	Event	Description
	No reportable activity.	

KATARINA GARCIA, Division 4

Date	Event	Description
	No reportable activity.	

JENNIFER SANTANA, Division 5

Date	Event	Description
	No reportable activity.	