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Call to Order

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Tuesday, March 21, 2023

Pledge of Allegiance



Roll Call



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Members of the public may address the Board regarding any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board; however, no action may be taken on off-agenda items except as authorized by law. Each speaker is limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes.

Consent Calendar

All matters on the Consent Calendar may be approved by one motion. Any member of the Board of Directors may request an item be removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion or separate action.

Consent Calendar 2.1 – 2.4

2.1 Approve Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors' Meeting - February 21, 2023 (pg. 4)

2.2 Approve Minutes of the Board of Directors' Workshop - Policy/Administration - March 2, 2023 (pg. 14)

2.3 Approve Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors' Meeting - March 7, 2023 (pg. 20)

2.4 Approve the First Amendment to the Riparian Bird Monitoring Consulting Services Agreement (pg. 29)

Board Motion & Roll Call Vote

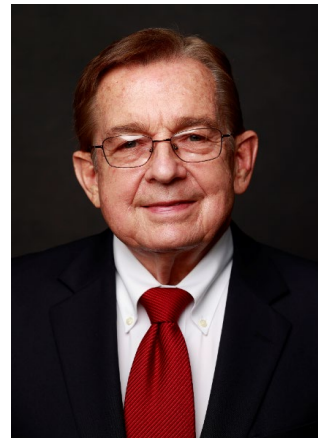
Staff Recommendation Approve Consent Calendar items 2.1 – 2.4



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Discussion Items 3.1-3.5

Heather Dyer, MS, MBA – Chief Executive Officer/General Manager

Discussion Item 3.1

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Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 1173
Authorizing the Submittal of a Grant Application to
the United States Bureau of Reclamation

Bureau of Reclamation: WaterSMART Environmental Water Resources Grant Program



- Environmental Water Resources Program:
 - Restoration projects benefiting ecological values with a nexus to water resources or water resources management.
- Up to \$3M in funding
- 25% Match Requirement

Hidden Valley Creek Aquatic and Riparian Restoration Project

- Upper SAR HCP Project
- Construction costs: \$4.3M
- Grant proposal: \$3M

Resolution 1173

- Approval of Resolution 1173 Hidden Valley Creek Aquatic and Riparian Habitat Restoration Project
 1. Authorize the CEO/General Manager to prepare and submit grant application;
 2. Confirm that Valley District can provide required funding and/or in-kind contributions;
 3. Authorize the CEO/General Manager to accept and enter into a cooperative agreement with USBR should the application be successful; and
 4. Authorize the CEO/General Manager to administer the grant as identified in the agreement.

Fiscal Impact

- Grant Application: \$16,675 (Kennedy Jenks)
- Matching fund obligation: 25%
 - Total project cost: \$4,343,498
 - Prop 84: \$1,343,498
 - USBR: \$3,000,000
- Financial offsets: Valley District (\$1.2M), HCP Partners (\$1.8M)
- Approved FY 2022/2023 budget:
 - On-Call Grant Services, Budget Item 6360



Staff Recommendation

Adopt Resolution No. 1173 authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the United States Bureau of Reclamation's WaterSMART Environmental Water Resources Grant Program (Funding Opportunity No. R23AS00089) for the Hidden Valley Creek Aquatic and Riparian Habitat Restoration Project

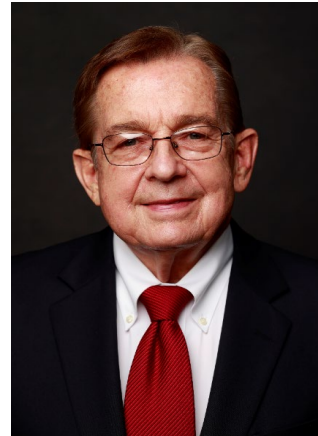
Board Motion & Roll Call Vote



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Discussion Item 3.3

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Consider Joining the Coalition of Water Agencies
Opposed to Water Rights Bills

Board Motion & Roll Call Vote

Staff Recommendation

Staff and Valley District lobbyist, Jack Gualco, are recommending that the Board join the Associated California Water Agencies (ACWA) Coalition opposing water rights bills AB460, AB1337, and SB389



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Discussion Item 3.4

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Consider Purchase of Up to 5,000 Acre-Feet of
Article 21 Water Through the State Water Project

Board Motion & Roll Call Vote

Staff Recommendation

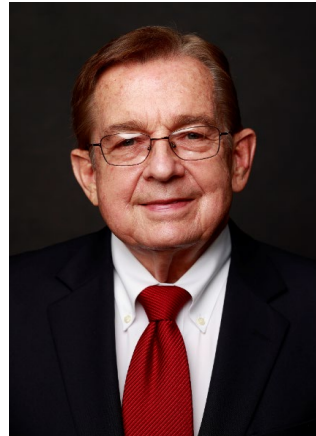
Staff is recommending that the Board authorize the purchase of up to 5,000 acre-feet of Article 21, or extra, water through the State Water Project (SWP) at a cost of approximately \$1.25 million



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Discussion Item 3.5

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Consider support for SB366 California Water For All Act authored by Senator Caballero and supported by the California Municipal Utilities Association



SOLVE THE WATER CRISIS
ACT NOW TO SECURE CALIFORNIA'S FUTURE.

SOLVE THE WATER CRISIS

COALITION MISSION

- Education campaign to continue defining the problem, impacts, and elevating the statewide water supply crisis
- Enhance awareness among California policymakers and thought leaders
- Demand a comprehensive, bold, and immediate legislative solution for the State to secure California's future
- Make water supply a top State agenda item with ongoing investment



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OUR WATER FUTURE DOES NOT LOOK GOOD



2021



2023

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Residents, businesses, and policymakers do not understand that we need immediate action to address the severity of California's ongoing and systemic water supply crisis.



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CURRENT STATE PRIORITIES



Urban conservation

Environmental and regulatory mandates

Shift water supply burdens to local agencies

Demand affordability despite increasing costs

According to a recent PPIC poll, “drought remains the dominant environmental issue for Californians.” Just as important, a majority of Californians, nearly 70 percent “don’t feel that government is doing enough to combat the drought.”



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Growing Participation



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By the Numbers

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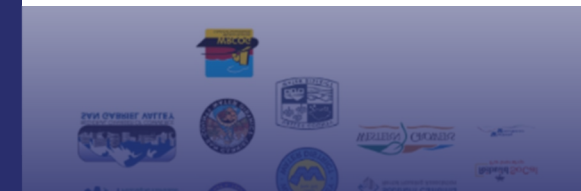
Board Members: Funding the effort - water providers from across California

70+

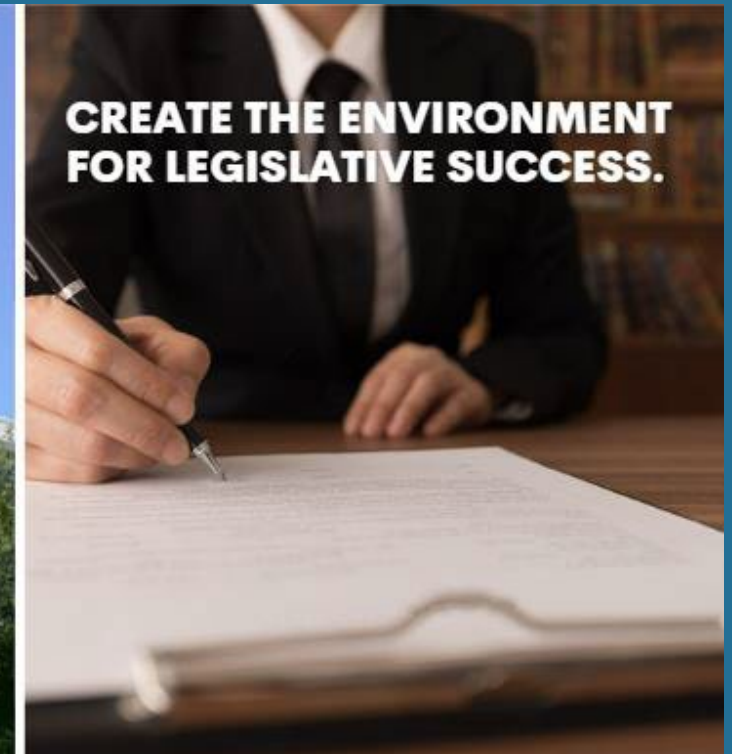
Pledged supporters advancing Solve the Water Crisis' goals

80+

Interested supporters in the process of pledging membership or support



Successful Education, Now Create a Sense of Urgency



THE LEGISLATIVE SOLUTION: CA Water for All Act (SB 366)

Educate key audiences on a comprehensive legislative solution to address California's water supply and reliability crisis, including statewide and long-term benefits to the State.

1

Establish bold water supply targets

2

Modernize the CA Water plan for a 21st century climate

3

Ensure accountability for state agencies on water management issues

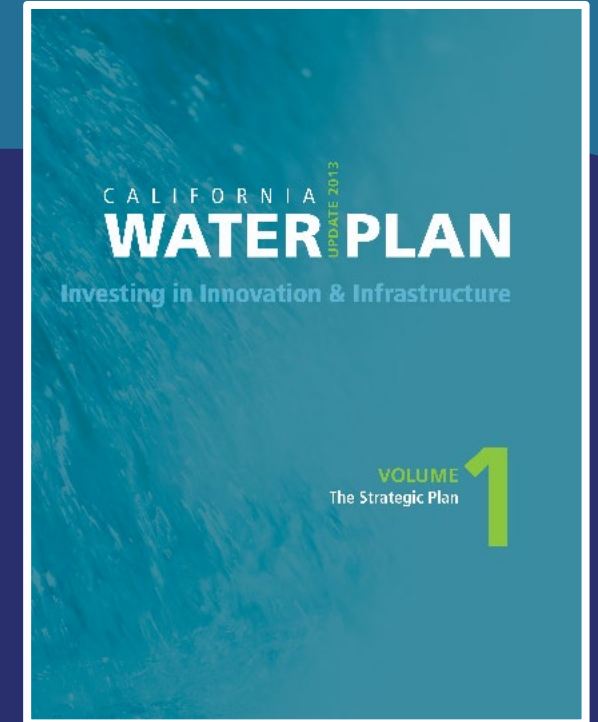


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THE LEGISLATIVE SOLUTION: CA WATER FOR ALL ACT (SB 366(Caballero))

Taking an approach similar to other successful issue areas:
carbon emission reductions, green energy, and electric cars.

- Statewide goal: modernize the CA Water Plan and establish water supply target.
- Establish statutory program that expands on Governor's water supply strategy and extends beyond any one Administration.
- Department of Water Resources to achieve with an “all -of-the-above” approach.
- Includes financing plan, stakeholder input, transparency, and accountability measures.
- Public relations campaign to support: CA Water for All.



CA WATER FOR ALL: LEGISLATIVE PUBLIC RELATIONS SUPPORT

EFFORT

Provide necessary support to ensure a successful path to a legislative victory for the water community in 2023.

- Under the leadership of CMUA, ensure the goals of CA Water for All align with the public policy objectives of the legislation.
- Explain and promote benefits of a legislative solution.
- Build broad, statewide support for comprehensive legislative solution.

TARGET AUDIENCE

Legislators

- Water Champions
- Legislative Leadership
- Water and Budget Committees

Newsom Administration

- Policy
- Finance
- Communications
- GoBiz

Regulators

- Resources Agency
- Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Department of Water Resources
- State Water Resources Control Board



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Board Motion & Roll Call Vote

Staff Recommendation

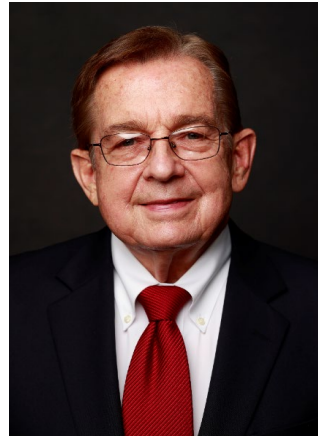
Staff recommends the Board support the California Water For All Act (SB 366, Caballero) sponsored by the California Municipal Utilities Association (CMUA) and fund \$20,000 towards the supporting public relations campaign for the legislation being led by CMUA



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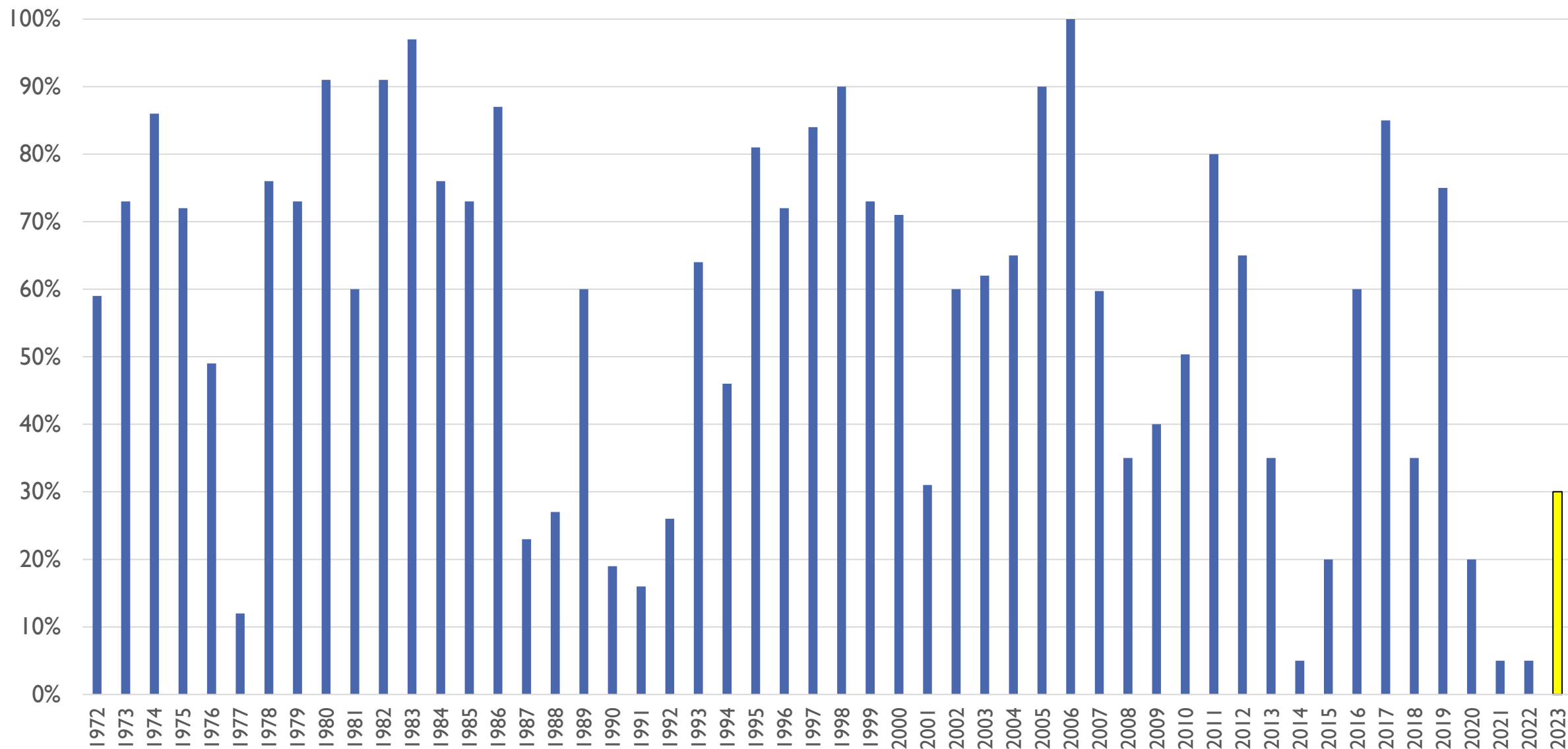


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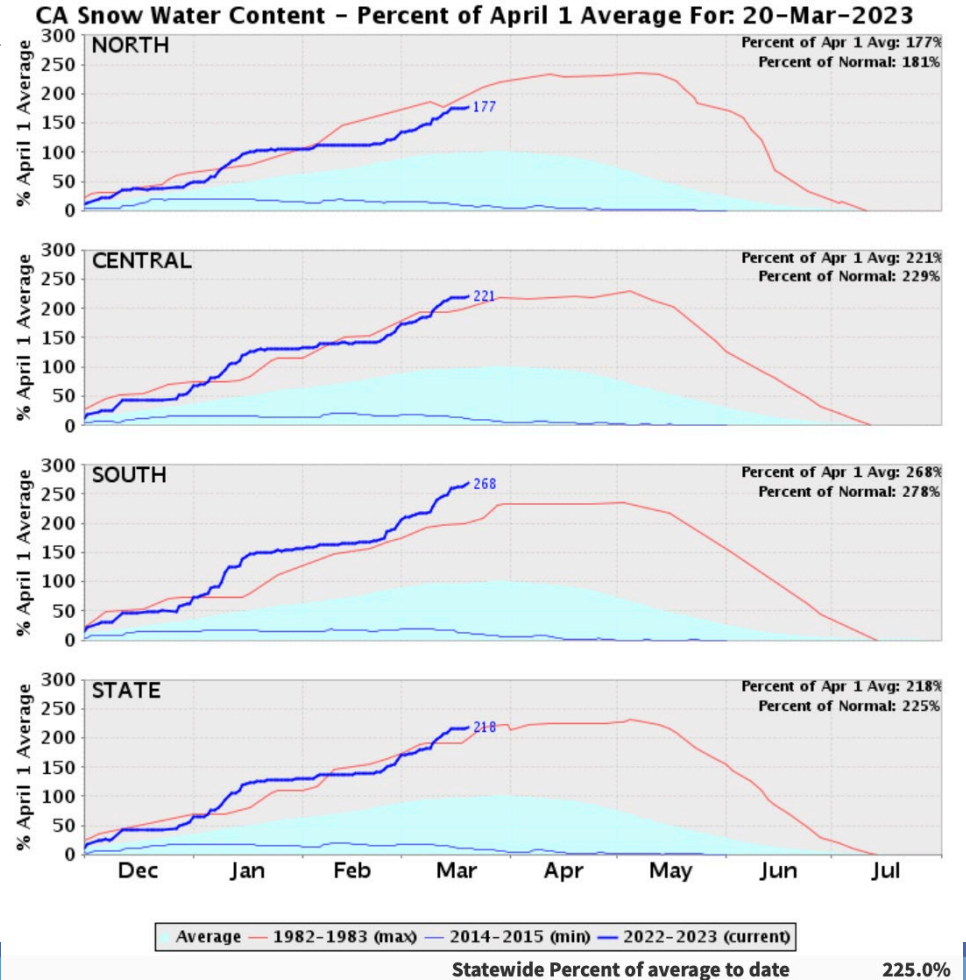
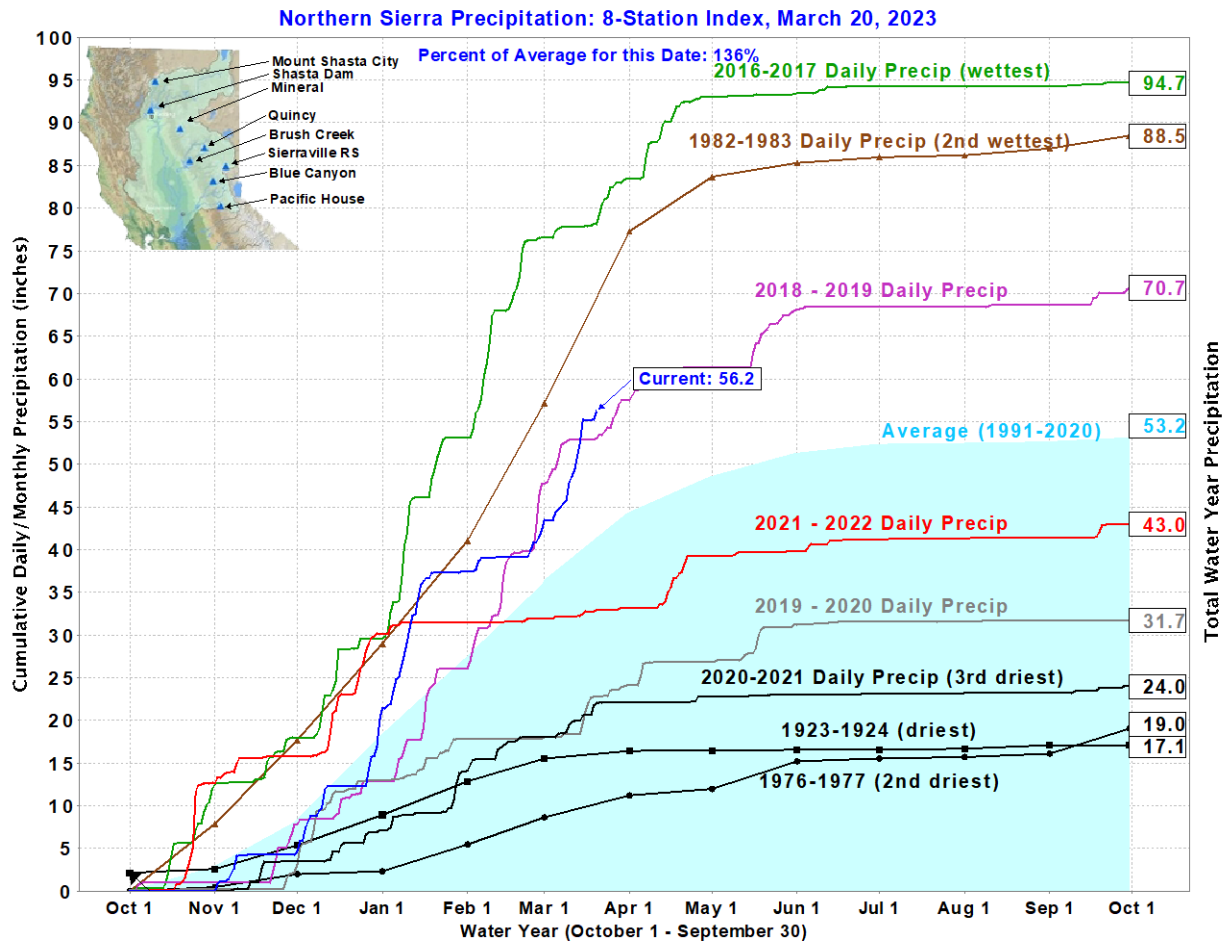
Reports Item 4.1 (pg. 175)

State Water Project Report

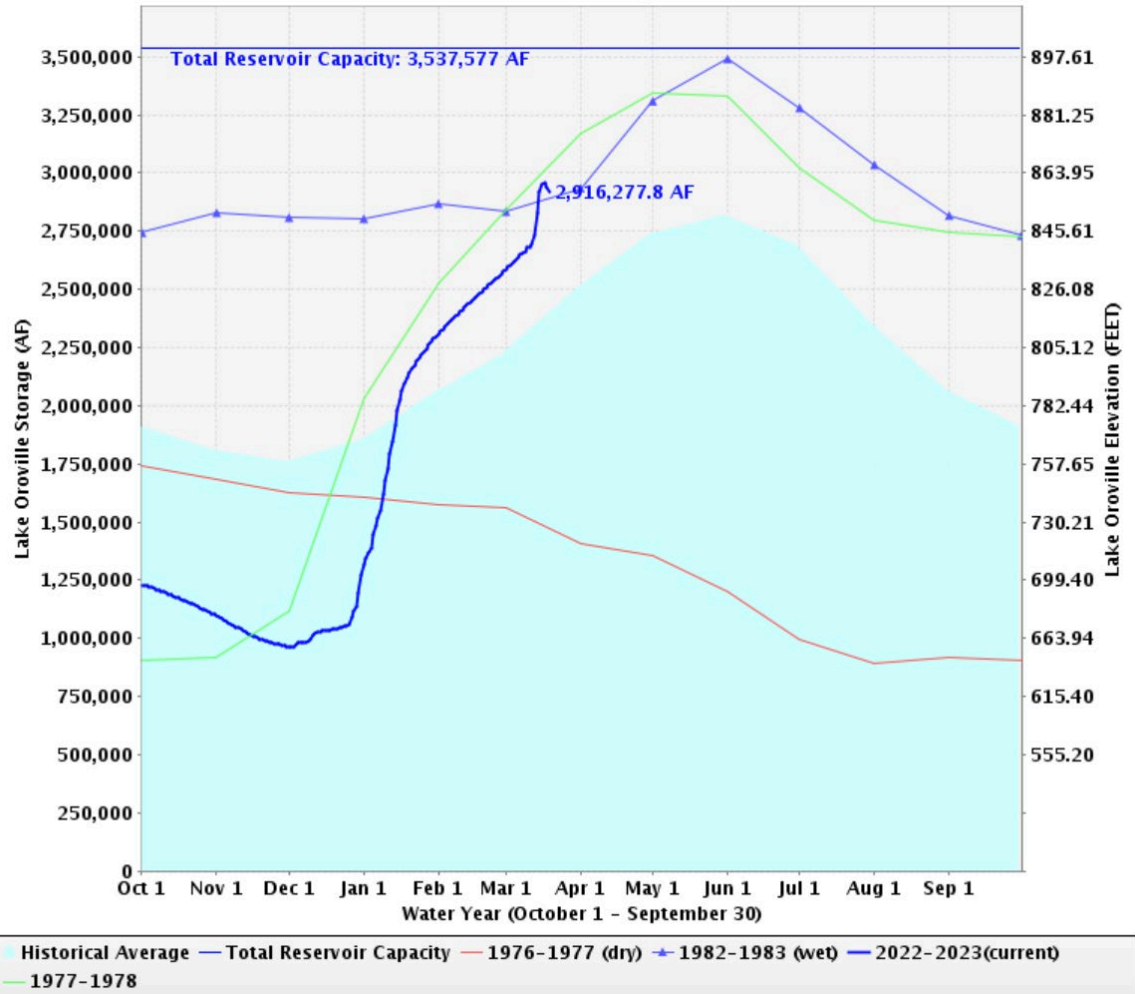
Historic SWP Allocation Percentage



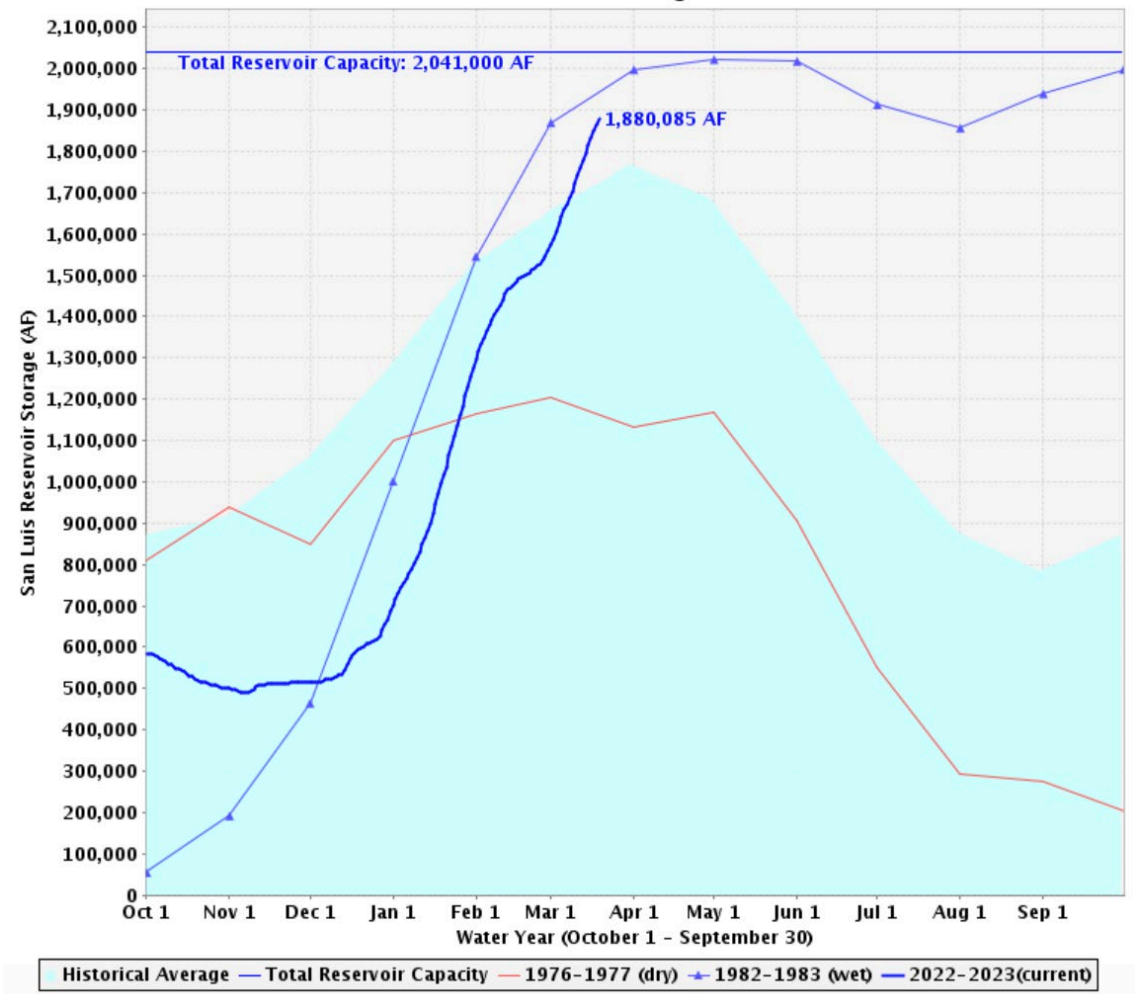
SWP Hydrology - Current Conditions



Lake Oroville



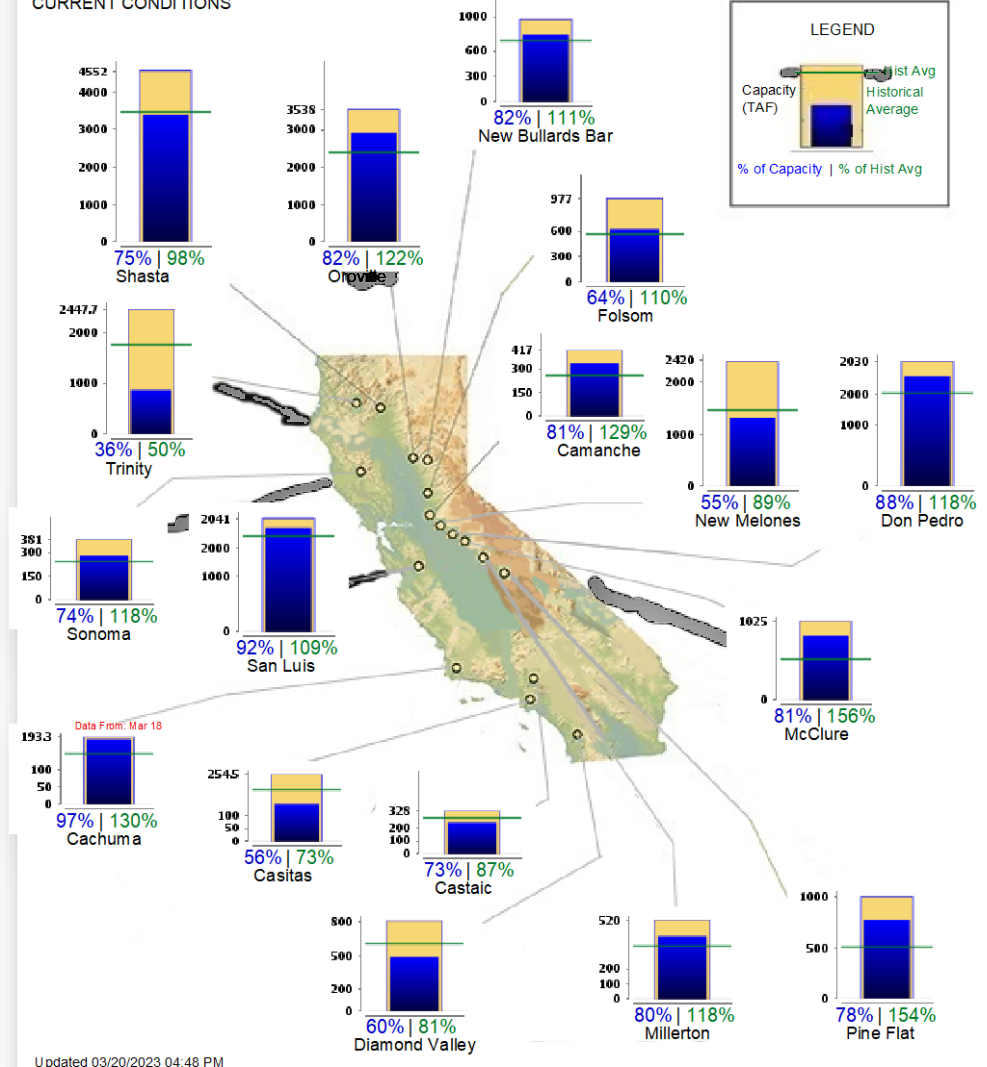
San Luis Reservoir





CALIFORNIA MAJOR WATER SUPPLY RESERVOIRS
CURRENT CONDITIONS

Midnight - March 19, 2023



Delta Conveyance Project

- Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
 - Received 729 letters and 7,300 comments totaling 20,000 pages. The Department of Water Resources plans to address the comments and issue the Final EIR, by the end of 2023.
- The State Water Contractors conducted a survey of California residents about the Delta Conveyance Project. Staff will present the final results of this survey to the Board when available.

Reports Item 4.2 (pg. 184)

Directors' Report of Activities and Travel Requests in
accordance with Resolution 1100

Reports Item 4.3

General Counsel Report

Reports Item 4.4

SAWPA Meeting Report



SAWPA MEETING SUMMARY

March 21, 2023 Regular Meeting

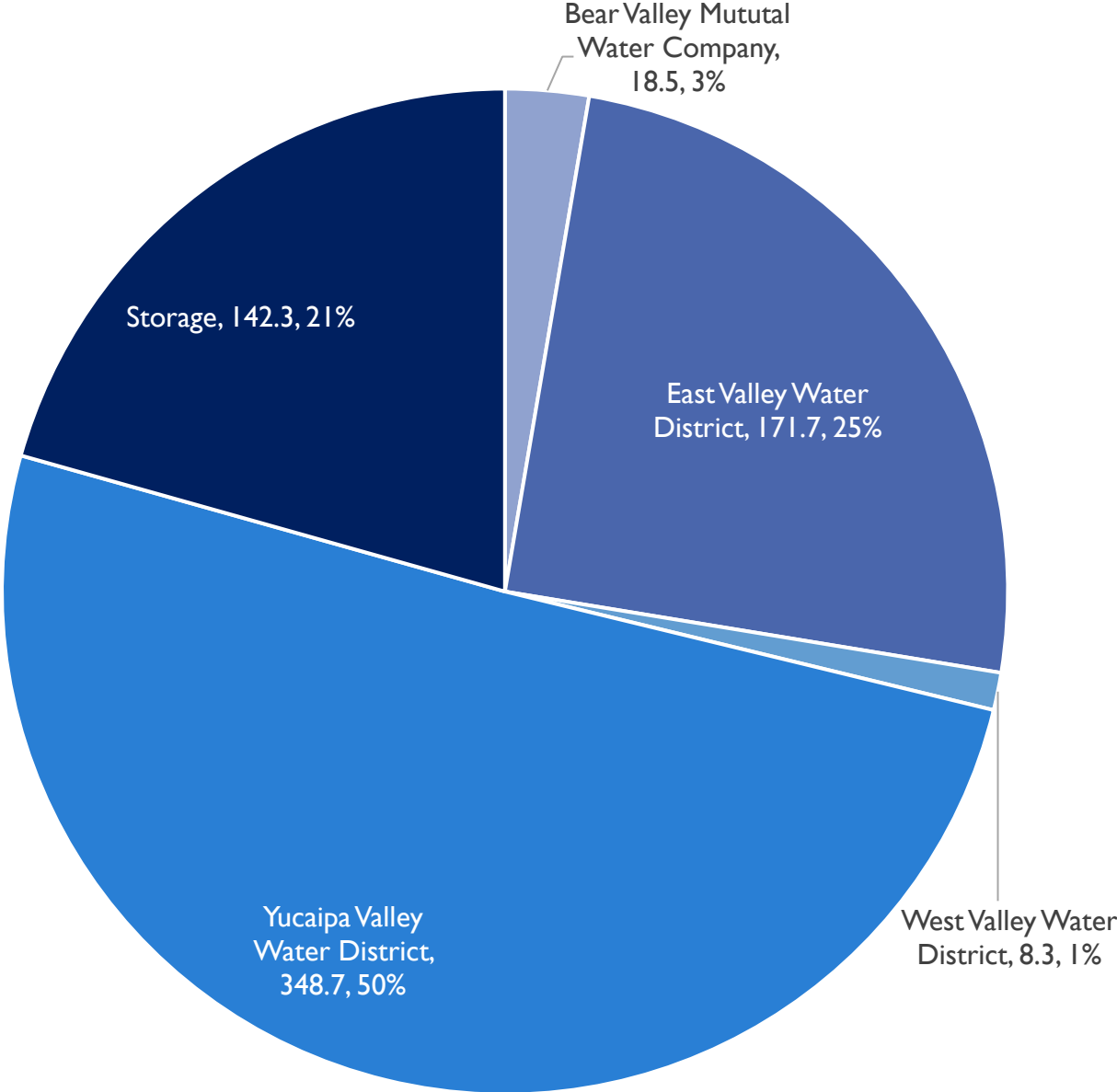
SAWPA Commission

- Approved to incorporate the Orange County and Riverside County Stormwater Resource Plans by reference in an Appendix to the One Water One Watershed Plan Update 2018.
- Reviewed and Adopted the FYE 2024 and 2025 Budget.
- Received the following Informational Report:
 - Legislative Report

Reports Item 4.5 (pg. 191)

Water Delivery Report

February SWP Deliveries



Reports Item 4.6 (pg. 195)

Treasurer's Report



**SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
TREASURER'S REPORT
FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2023**

RECOMMENDATION:
APPROVE THE EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2023
FOR THE FOLLOWING FUNDS:

STATE WATER CONTRACT FUND	\$	4,552,842.06
DEVIL CANYON / CASTAIC FUND	\$	-
GENERAL FUND	\$	1,804,471.52



Future Business

Announcements Item 6.1 (pg. 207)

March 22, 2023, 8:30 a.m. – Upper SAR WIFA Technical Advisory Committee In-Person (Cancelled)

March 30, 2023, 9:00 a.m. – Headwaters Resiliency Partnership Committee Meeting by Teleconference

April 3, 2023, 1:30 p.m. – Basin Technical Advisory Committee (BTAC)

April 4, 2023, 9:30 a.m. – SAWPA Commission Meeting

April 4, 2023, 10:00 a.m. – PA 24 Committee Meeting

April 4, 2023, 2 p.m. – Regular Board Meeting by Teleconference or In-Person

April 5, 2023, 8:30 a.m. – Upper SAR WIFA In-Person

April 6, 2023, 2 p.m. – Board Workshop – Policy/Administration by Teleconference or In-Person

April 11, 2023, 2 p.m. – Board Workshop – Resources/Engineering by Teleconference
or In-Person

April 12, 2023, 8:30 a.m. – Upper SAR WIFA Technical Advisory Committee In-Person



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April 12, 2023, 1:30 p.m. – SBVW Conservation District Board Meeting

April 17, 2023, 6 p.m. – ASBCSD dinner (Old Spaghetti Factory Rancho Cucamonga)

April 18, 2023, 9:30 a.m. – SAWPA Commission Meeting

April 18, 2023, 2 p.m. – Regular Board Meeting by Teleconference or In-Person

April 19, 2023, 8:30 a.m. – Upper SAR WIFA In-Person

April 20, 2023, 9:00 a.m. – Headwaters Resiliency Partnership Committee Meeting by Teleconference

April 24, 2023, 1:30 p.m. – San Bernardino Basin Groundwater Council Meeting

April 26, 2023, 1:30 p.m. – SBVW Conservation District Board Meeting

Closed Session

7.1 Closed Session -Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation -
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9) Name of case:
Endangered Habitats League et al. v. U.S.Army Corps of Engineers et al.



Adjournment
