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# Call to Order

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Board of Directors Workshop - Policy  
Thursday, January 12, 2023

*Chairperson – Director Botello*  
*Vice-Chair – Director Kielhold*

# Introductions

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*Following the introduction of Directors and District staff, participants may use this time to state their name and agency/affiliation in order to be included in the formal record of attendees.*

# Public Comment

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# Discussion Item 3.1 (pg. 3)

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**Kristeen Farlow, MPA** – Strategic Communications Manager

Discuss State and Federal Legislative Update

**Staff Recommendation**

Receive and file.

# State Legislative Update:

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## Our Accomplishments Together

- Aggressive promotion
- Personal connections
- Active collaboration
- Meaningful engagement
- Unwavering focus

# 2022 Year in Review

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- COVID
- Post-Recall Pre-Election Year
- Budget
- Multi-Billion Dollar Climate, Drought, Wildfire Prevention Investments
- Urban Water Use Objectives Legislation Signed
- Local Government Bills Signed Into Law
- SWC Legislative Advocates Steering Committee
- Watershed Connect
- Grants and Loans
- Weekly Updates

# 2023 Forecast

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## Legislative

- Process Adaptation Given COVID
- Economic Recovery/Stimulus
- Climate/Water Bond Proposals
- Public Safety Power Shutoff Impacts
- Wildfire Prevention & Mitigation
- Housing/Homelessness
- Grid Management
- Low Income Rate Assistance
- Watershed Connect
- Leadership, Committee & Key Staff Changes



# 2023 Forecast

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## Regulatory

- Water Resilience Portfolio Initiative
- Human Right to Water
- Implementation of Executive Orders
- COVID Impact on Services/Operations
- Water Bond Implementation
- Climate, Drought, Wildfire Prevention
- Shutoffs/Back Billing Protocols
- Low Income Rate Assistance
- California Aqueduct Subsidence Repair
- DWR and SWRCB Coordination
- Agency and Department Changes

# 2023-2024 Legislative Delegation

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Senator Rosilicie Ochoa Bogh (R – 23)

Senator Josh Newman (D – 28)

Assembly Member Sabrina Cervantes (D – 58)

Assembly Member Eloise Gomez Reyes (D – 50)

Assembly Member Tom Lackey (R – 34)

Assembly Member James Ramos (D – 35)

Assembly Member Greg Wallis (R – 47)

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Thank you!  
Your Gualco Group, Inc., Team

Jackson R. Gualco  
Kendra Daijogo  
Robert Gore  
Tomas Garza

# Federal Legislative Update

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- The 118<sup>th</sup> Congress began January 3, 2023
- The Senate swore in new members
- The House of Representatives elected Kevin McCarthy as the Speaker of the House



# Federal Legislative Update

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- **\$858 billion defense bill signed December 23, 2022**
  - Includes WRDA funding (Water Resources Development Act)
- **\$1.7 trillion omnibus package signed on December 29, 2022**
  - \$2.5 million for the Enhanced Recharge Project Phase I B
- Letter from Western state Senators for assistance during the current megadrought

# Director Comments and Discussion

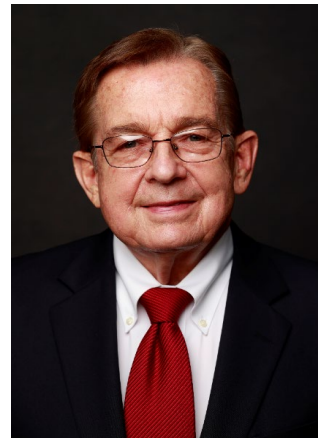
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# Discussion Item 3.2 (pg. 8)

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

**Shavonne Turner, MPA** – Water Conservation Program Manager

**Wen Huang, MS, PE** – Chief Engineer/Deputy General Manager

Consider Approval of Resolution 1169 authorizing the submittal of a grant application to DWR, in the amount of \$7 million, for its 2022 Urban Community Drought Relief Grant

**Staff Recommendation:**

Consider approval of Resolution 1169 authorizing San Bernardino Valley to submit a grant application to the State of California for a Water Conservation Rebates and Direct Install program and two new wells to support our Conjunctive Use Projects.

# 2022 Urban Community Drought Relief Program

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- Application due date is Jan. 31, 2023
- Awards will be announced by March 2023
- Project costs incurred on/after July 1, 2022 are eligible for reimbursement





## Eligible Project Types Include

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- Education, outreach, installation programs, fixture replacement programs, and other improvements in water supply reliability
- Turf replacement with drought tolerant landscaping
- New wells or rehabilitation of wells

2022  
Urban  
Community  
Drought Relief  
Grant Program

Guidelines and  
Proposal  
Solicitation  
Package

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DEPARTMENT OF WATER  
RESOURCES  
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# Our Approach

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- Wide range of eligible project types and multiple benefits for underserved communities
- Seek funding for both water supply and water efficiency
- Leverage this funding for our partnership efforts such as the Demand Management Program and Conjunctive Use Program



# Water Efficiency

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- Local and Regional Program Delivery
  - Rebates
  - Landscape Transformation and Turf Removal
  - Direct Installation
- Focus on underrepresented communities
- No local match

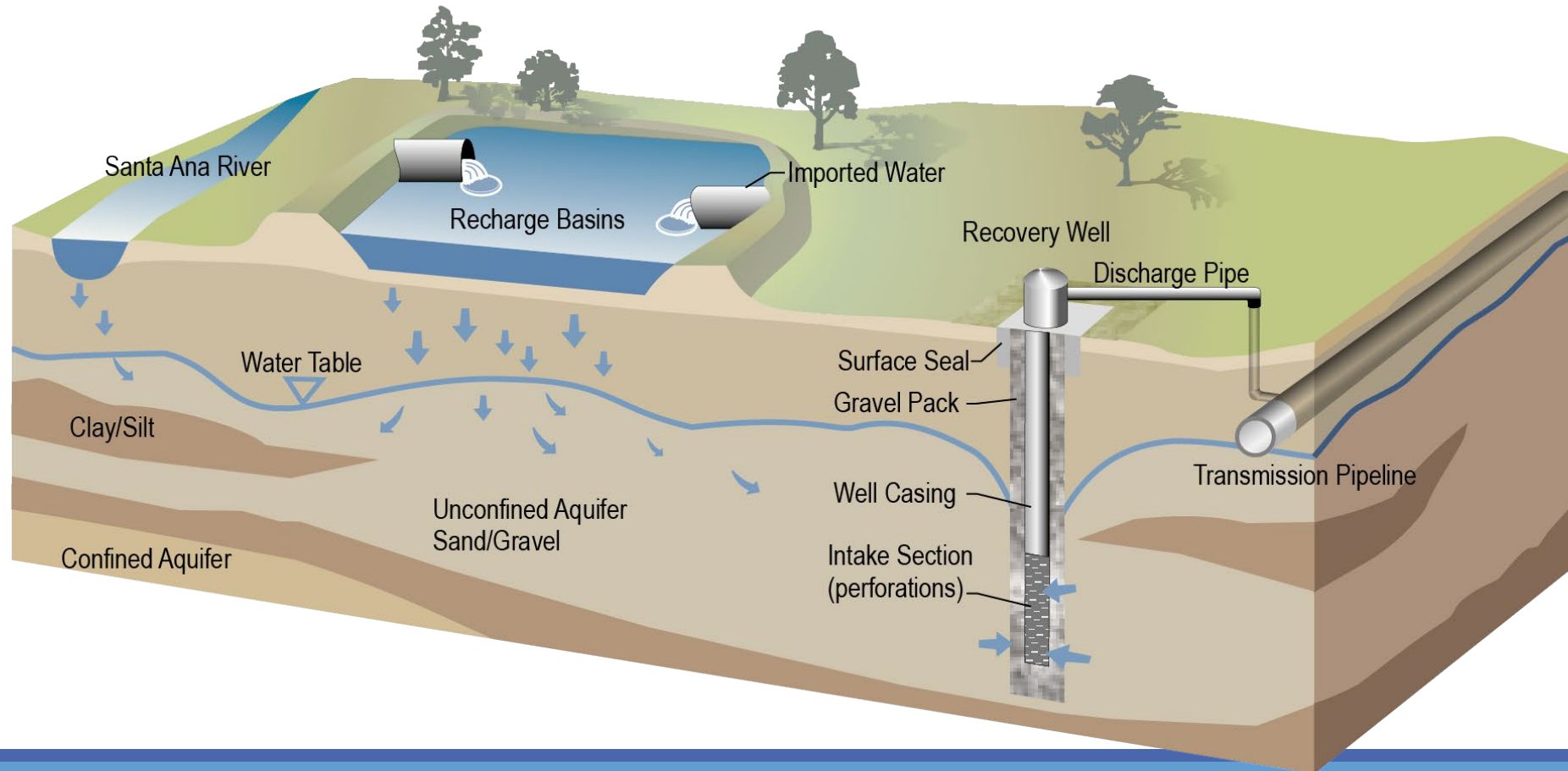


## 2 New Conjunctive Use Wells

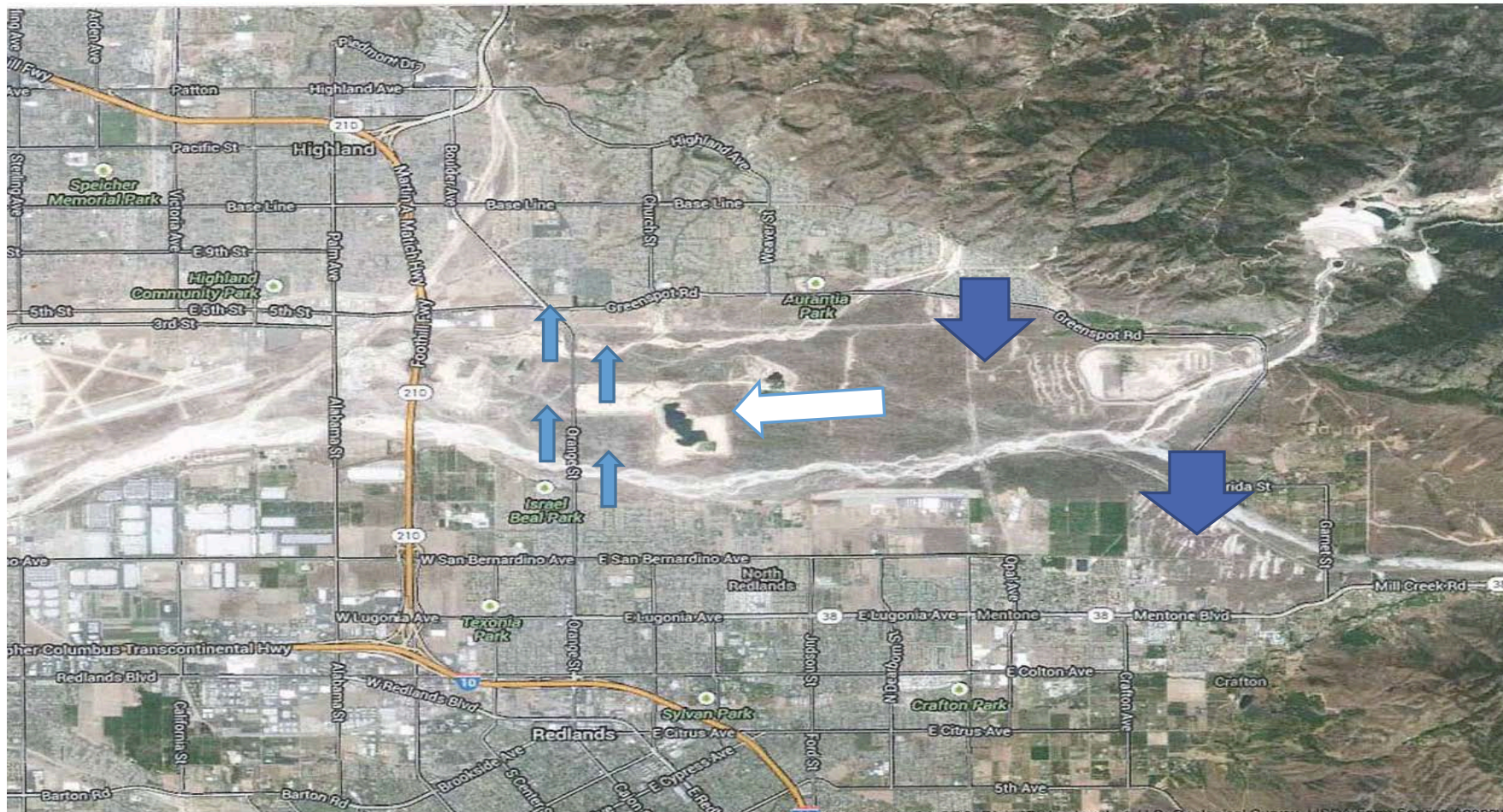
- Support conjunctive use projects
  - SARCCUP
  - BHCUP
  - In-Lieu Program
- Additional Capacity and Flexibility
- Enhance Water Supply Reliability



# Schematic Example – SARCCUP & BHCUP



# Bunker Hill CUP Concept



# Funding Structure

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- \$7 million grant application
  - \$3 million for regional and local water efficiency efforts
  - \$4 million for 2 new wells
- Strategic funding structure to minimize or eliminate local funding match



# Consistency with Strategic Plan

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- Develop innovative projects
- Collaborative efforts
- Future Generations
- Reliable, resilient, and sustainable water supply





# Director Comments and Discussion

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# Future Business

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# Adjournment

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