



**SGVCOG Joint Water Policy Committee/TAC Special Meeting  
Approved Minutes**

Date: October 8, 2019  
Time: 10:00 AM  
Location: Monrovia Community Center, Senior Game Room  
119 W. Palm Ave; Monrovia, CA 91016

**PRELIMINARY BUSINESS**

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:07 A.M.
2. Roll Call

**Water Policy Committee Members Present**

J. Stark; Claremont  
G. Boyer, J. Nelson; Glendora  
G. Crudgington; Monrovia  
M. Clark; Rosemead  
J. Capoccia; Sierra Madre  
D. Mahmud; South Pasadena

**Water Policy Committee Members Absent**

LA County District #1

**Water TAC Members Present**

R. Wang; LACPW  
J. Carlson, Sierra Madre

**Water TAC Members Absent**

Alhambra  
Arcadia  
Bradbury  
Covina  
Duarte  
Monrovia  
Pomona  
USGVMWD

**Ex Officio Members Present**

A. Jimenez; Ana R., SG Watermaster

**Ex Officio Members Absent**

LACSD

**SGVCOG Staff**

N. Kaur  
C. Sims

3. Public Comment.  
Daniel Lee, from the U.S. Census, provided a public comment on the 2020 Census. The Census is currently reaching out to elected officials to support the data gathering for the population count completed every 10 years. He reminded the group that the Census is important because \$675 billion is at stake for the next 10 years and, if there's an undercount, it can be problematic for that funding. He indicated that the Census has presentations, is looking to partner with local agencies, and has materials available in 12 languages. He indicated that he would like to give presentations at the Governing Board and other committees.

4. Changes to Agenda Order.  
There were no changes to the agenda order.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

5. Water Committee/TAC Meeting Minutes  
**There was a motion to approve the consent calendar. (M/S: J. Nelson/M. Clark).**

**[MOTION PASSED]**

<b>AYES:</b>	Claremont, Glendora, Monrovia, Rosemead, Sierra Madre, South Pasadena, LA County District #1, Alhambra, , Pomona, LACPW, USGVMWD
<b>NOES:</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Arcadia, Bradbury, Covina, Duarte

**PRESENTATIONS**

6. Water Contaminant Litigation — Ken Sansone, SL Environmental Law Group  
K. Sansone presented on water contaminant litigation around PFAS and other manmade groundwater contaminants. SL Environmental Law Group is a national practice representing municipalities, agencies, and the State for contaminants. He discussed who should pay to clean-up contaminants by discussing the legal liability for defective products – and how it’s determined if a product is defective – and how contamination costs can be recovered by manufacturers. He also discussed the statute of limitations. The Committee discussed the statute of limitations and how to work with private water companies to address contaminants.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**UPDATE ITEMS**

7. Safe Clean Water Program  
Chair Mahmud discussed the Committee’s previously-submitted comments on the supplemental documents for the Safe Clean Water Program and which comments were and were not accepted. She discussed the schedule for upcoming Watershed Area Steering Committee meetings.
8. Legislative Updates  
The Committee discussed the following pieces of legislation:
  - SB 205: This Bill requires that cities confirm that businesses that are classified under certain NCAIS codes have a valid industrial stormwater permit prior to awarding a business license. There was concern from the cities about how to implement the legislation, given that the business codes hadn’t been updated for many years.
  - AB 1093: This Bill would’ve required the State Water Resources Control Board to utilize definitive financial capability assessment guidelines in developing stormwater permits. The Bill was vetoed by Governor Newsom. The Committee discussed how to coordinate with the SGVCOG’s lobbyist to continue to determine the best approach for this legislation.
  - AB 755: This Bill would assessed a fee on tire purchases to be used for stormwater mitigation. The Bill is now a two-year bill because it didn’t have enough votes and

was pulled. There was discussion on how to move the Bill forward by collaborating with NGOs.

- AB 1204: This Bill would require that primary drinking water standards that are more stringent than the federal drinking water standards not take effect for 3 years after they're adopted. There was discussion on the impacts of immediate reporting and implementation of drinking water standards.
- HR 1497: This Bill would provide funding for stormwater. The Committee discussed Congresswoman Napolitano's comments in the San Gabriel Valley Tribune on the Bill.

**9.** Litigation Update

There was discussion on the Court's ruling in the Duarte and Gardena cases and what the rulings meant.

**10.** E/WMP Updates

There was discussion on feasibility studies. There was discussion on the issues that the Upper LA River Watershed Area Group was facing in implementing the load reduction strategies for the Rio Hondo drainage area.

**11.** Water TAC Chair Report

There was no update on the Water TAC because neither the Chair or Vice Chair were in attendance.

**12.** Water Supply Update

The San Gabriel Watermaster reported on the region's imported water deliveries and reported that the Key Well was at 210.8.

**13.** Water Boards Update

There was no update on this item.

**CHAIR'S REPORT**

There was no report from the Chair.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chair announced that there would be no meeting in November and the Committee may go dark in December as well.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.