



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

Date: March 8, 2022
Time: 10:00 AM
Location: Zoom/YouTube teleconference meeting

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order: G. Crudginton called the meeting to order at 10:01 A.M.
2. Roll Call

Water Policy Committee Members Present

J. Stark; Claremont
G. Boyer; Glendora
G. Crudginton; Monrovia
M. Clark; Rosemead
D. Mahmud; South Pasadena
C. Goytia; TVMWD
J. Santana; USGVMWD

Water Policy Committee Members Absent

Water TAC Members Present

D. Dolphin; Alhambra
K. Kearney; Bradbury
S. Costandi/S. Gallant; Covina
A. Sweet; Glendora
A. Tachiki; Monrovia
J. Carver; Pomona
J. Carlson; Sierra Madre
T. Gerber; South Pasadena
E. Reyes; SGVMWD
T. Love; USGVMWD
R. Wang, C. Lee; LA County Public Works

Water TAC Members Absent

Ex Officio Members Present

L. Augino; Watermaster
S. Green; LA County Sanitation Districts

Ex Officio Members Absent

Guests

J. Millett, SCWP Rio Hondo WASC
S. Armenta; Office of Senator Rubio
C. Griffin; Office of Assemblymember Rubio
L. Largent; O Strategies Group
R. Tahir; Member of the Public
D. Ready; Council for Watershed Health

M. Chung; City of Rosemead
 N. Gardiner; Haley & Aldrich
 M. Chen; O Strategies Group
 A. Schmidt, LA County Sanitation Districts

SGVCOG Staff

C. Sims
 B. Logasa
 T. Egan

3. Public Comment

- R. Tahir provided feedback on Upper Los Angeles River Watershed Management Group (ULAR WMG) Load Reduction Strategy. R. Tahir’s full written public comment can be found by [clicking here](#).
- J. Millett, Rio Hondo WASC Watershed Coordinator provided information on the Safe Clean Water Program (SCWP) Implementation Workshop the Rio Hondo WASC is hosting with SGVCOG on Monday, March 31st at 12:00 p.m. This workshop will share the SCWP funding opportunities for municipalities, including project design, construction, and operations and maintenance (O&M)..

4. Changes to Agenda Order.
 No changes to agenda order.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 5. Water Policy Committee/TAC Meeting Minutes – 2/8/2022**
- 6. Adoption of Resolution 22-03-WC Enabling the Water Policy Committee and Water Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to Continue Holding Meetings via Teleconferencing**

There was a motion to approve the Consent Calendar items.
(M/S: J. Stark/G. Boyer)

[MOTION PASSED]

AYES:	Committee – Claremont; Glendora; Monrovia; Rosemead; South Pasadena, TVMWD TAC – Alhambra; Bradbury; Covina; Glendora; Monrovia; Pomona; Sierra Madre; LA County Public Works; TVMWD; USGVMWD
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	TAC – SGVMWD
NO VOTE GIVEN:	Committee – USGVMWD TAC – South Pasadena
ABSENT:	

PRESENTATION

- 7. Upper LA River and Rio Hondo Scientific Studies Updates**
 Craftwater Engineering provided a presentation on this item. In the 2020-2021 fiscal year, the SGVCOG was awarded scientific study funding by the ULAR Watershed Area Steering

Committee (WASC) and the Rio Hondo WASC through the Safe Clean Water Program to conduct two scientific studies: Pre-Stormwater Investment Plan (preSIP) and Load Reduction Strategy (LRS) to Address the Los Angeles River Bacteria Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL).

8. Sanitary Sewer System Waste Discharge Requirements Reissuance Process Updates
Andre Schmidt, Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts (LACSD), provided a presentation on this item. In January 2022, the official Tentative SSS WDR was released for public comments, which are due April 8, 2022. The reissuance aims to clarify existing prohibition of untreated waste discharge to waters of the State and provide increased public transparency of sewer spill data, among other things. Water Policy Committee/TAC members requested that staff review LACSD's upcoming comment letter and consider drafting one on behalf of SGVCOG.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

9. PreSIP Scientific Study Application for Upper San Gabriel River WASC
A PreSIP Scientific Study application would be submitted on behalf of San Gabriel WASC cities by SGVCOG with Craftwater Engineering to the SCWP for funding in Fiscal Year 2023-24 to complete a PreStormwater Investment Plan (preSIP) scientific study for the Upper San Gabriel River Watershed Area.
10. Proposed 2022 Clean Water Act Financial Capability Assessment Guidance
This item was tabled by the Chair to next month.

UPDATE ITEMS

11. Regional Phase I Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit
There were no updates on this item.
12. Safe Clean Water Program
B. Logasa, SGVCOG Management Analyst, provided information on this item. SGVCOG is hosting a SCWP Implementation Workshop on Monday, March 31st at 12:00 p.m. This workshop will share the SCWP funding opportunities for municipalities, including project design, construction, and operations and maintenance (O&M). The flyer for the workshop is attached below, and you can register for the event by [clicking here](#).
13. Federal and State Budget and Legislative Updates
B. Logasa, SGVCOG Management Analyst, directed Water Policy Committee/TAC members to their agenda packets for updates on this item.
14. Water Supply Update
T. Love, Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District, Provided an update on this item. In late January, the State Water Project allocation increased to 15% as long as demands were normal; however, January and February were the driest on record in Northern California, so that allocation may likely be reduced. More than ever, it is important to conserve locally so that we can save those State Water Project supplies. The key well is just a little bit above 180 ft. Water agencies are monitoring this closely and working with Metropolitan Water District to keep the key well in normal range.
15. Water TAC Chair Report
A. Tachiki, Water TAC Chair, provided an update on this item. Many watersheds management groups in the San Gabriel Valley lost their deemed compliance from the Regional Water Board. If watershed management groups need more than 30 days to

respond, A. Tachiki encourages cities and watershed management groups to reach out to the Regional Board immediately for an extension.

16. Water Boards Update

There were no updates on this item.

CHAIR'S REPORT

There was no report on this item.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURN

G. Crudginton adjourned the meeting at 12:01 P.M.