



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

Date: July 9, 2019
Time: 10:00 AM
Location: Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
602 E. Huntington Drive, Suite B, Monrovia, CA

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:03 A.M.
2. Roll Call

Water Policy Committee Members Present

J. Capoccia, Sierra Madre
M. Clark, Rosemead
G. Crudgington, Monrovia
D. Mahmud, South Pasadena
H. Nguyen, LA County District #1
J. Stark, Claremont

Water Policy Committee Members Absent

G. Boyer, Glendora

Water TAC Members Present

J. Chavez, Alhambra
J. Carlson, Sierra Madre
S. Costandi, Covina
R. Wang, LACPW
Y. Serna, Duarte
T. Love; P. Cortez, USGVMWD
J. Carver, Pomona

Water TAC Members Absent

A. Tachiki, Monrovia
K. Kearney, Bradbury
V. Hevener, Arcadia
E. Reyes, SGVMWD

Ex Officio Members Present

S. Green, LACSD
A. Jimenez; Ana R., SG Watermaster

Ex Officio Members Absent

Guests

D. Sharp, LA County Public Works
E. Baul, LA County Public Works

SGVCOG Staff

C. Sims
N. Kaur

3. Public Comment.
No public comment was given.
4. Changes to Agenda Order.
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: G. Boyer /J. Capoccia).

[MOTION PASSED]

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

PRESENTATIONS

6. San Gabriel Valley Greenway Network: Dan Sharp, LA County Public Works
D. Sharp presented on this item. He discussed the work being done to transform 138 miles of existing LACFCD right of way into world class active transportation for the San Gabriel Valley. They are currently working with existing data and adding additional data to ensure feasibility such as addressing the community needs and amenities already available. Currently, the County project management team has been established and the Plan initiation is pending execution of NTP for a consultant agreement. The project management team includes: Public Works (project lead), Public Works' Consultant (Brown and Caldwell), Parks and Recreation, and the Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA). This project management team will receive guidance from a Steering Committee and Technical Advisory Committee which will begin their meetings this fall. The plan development and public outreach will be completed in the summer of 2021. The environmental documentation will be complete in the summer of 2022.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. Water Committee Chair Nomination
There was a motion to elect Diana Mahmud (South Pasadena) to serve as Chair of the Water Policy Committee. The Vice-Chair nomination will be postponed to the September meeting.
8. Water TAC Chair/Vice-Chair
There was a motion to elect Tom Love (Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District) to serve as Chair and Alex Tachiki (Monrovia) to serve as Vice-Chair of the Water TAC Committee.

UPDATE ITEMS

9. Safe Clean Water Program Update
A public review period for documents was held from May 29, 2019 to June 21, 2019 which yielded 260 comments in addition to clarification questions. Comments were mostly regarding Watershed coordinators and water scoring. Watershed groups will have access to regional funds and should expect to see the local return disbursed. Each of the regional projects will be subject to a transfer agreement. It was mentioned that Alhambra and Monrovia applied to be on the Rio Hondo watershed steering committee.
10. Legislative Updates
N. Kaur presented on this item. Updates included the status of SB 205 (Hertzberg) in which cities are going to determine if the businesses have the right SIC codes considering SIC Codes have not been updated since the 1990s. This bill would direct updated NAICS Codes.
11. E/WMP Updates
No report was given.
12. Water TAC Chair Report
It was determined that the TAC will begin meeting prior to the regularly scheduled Water Policy meeting.
13. Water Supply Update

T. Love provided updates on this item. MWD has reported more than 3 million-acre feet in storage. In terms of local water supply, rainfall is 20% below average, even with recent storms, indicating drought conditions and is at 75%. Love mentioned that MWD will need to create a fund to offset years with lower basin sale. A procurement process to get a financial consultant are underway. T. Villegas announced that the pilot plant construction is completed for advanced treatment (reverse osmosis) and will begin doing tours.

14. Water Boards Update

The update included an announcement that the State Board will be hosting a webinar on July 11 on nature-based solutions through watershed planning.

15. Litigation Update

D. Mahmud reported on this item. Regarding the Gardena Duarte litigation, on June 20, 2019, the Judge issued a tentative judgement (rejecting those offered by the parties) which would stay the entire permit, remand the matter to the Water Board to reconsider, and then stay that judgment until the earlier of the filing of a notice of appeal or the expiration of time to do so. It was later pointed out that the Court rejected Duarte's proposed writ/judgment and instead favored the Gardena version.

**CHAIR'S REPORT
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

16. The Committee will go dark in August and resume session in September.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 11:57 AM.