



San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

AGENDA AND NOTICE OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE WATER POLICY COMMITTEE & WATER TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

Tuesday, September 11, 2018, 10:00 AM

Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District – 602 E. Huntington Dr., Monrovia, CA

Water Policy Committee

Chair: Judy Nelson
City of Glendora

Vice-Chair:
Gloria Crudgington
City of Monrovia

Members
Claremont
Glendora
Monrovia
Rosemead
Sierra Madre
South Pasadena
West Covina
LA County District 1
Upper San Gabriel Valley
MWD

Water TAC

Chair: Tom Love
Upper San Gabriel Valley
Municipal Water District

Vice Chair: Alex Tachiki
City of Monrovia

Members
Alhambra
Arcadia
Bradbury
Covina
Monrovia
Pomona
Sierra Madre
LA County DPW
San Gabriel Valley MWD
Upper San Gabriel Valley
MWD

Ex-Officio Members
LA County Sanitation
Districts
SG Basin Watermaster

Thank you for participating in today's meeting. The Water Committee encourages public participation and invites you to share your views on agenda items.

MEETINGS: *Regular Meetings of the Water Committee are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 10:00 AM at the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District Offices (602 E. Huntington Drive, Suite B Monrovia, CA 91016).* The agenda packet is available at the San Gabriel Valley Council of Government's (SGVCOG) Office, 1000 South Fremont Avenue, Suite 10210, Alhambra, CA, and on the website, www.sgvco.org. Copies are available via email upon request (sgv@sgvco.org). Documents distributed to a majority of the Committee after the posting will be available for review in the SGVCOG office and on the SGVCOG website. Your attendance at this public meeting may result in the recording of your voice.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Your participation is welcomed and invited at all Water Committee and Water TAC meetings. Time is reserved at each regular meeting for those who wish to address the Committee. SGVCOG requests that persons addressing the Committee refrain from making personal, slanderous, profane or disruptive remarks.

TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE: At a regular meeting, the public may comment on any matter within the jurisdiction of the Committee during the public comment period and may also comment on any agenda item at the time it is discussed. At a special meeting, the public may only comment on items that are on the agenda. Members of the public wishing to speak are asked to complete a comment card or simply rise to be recognized when the Chair asks for public comments to speak. We ask that members of the public state their name for the record and keep their remarks brief. If several persons wish to address the Committee on a single item, the Chair may impose a time limit on individual remarks at the beginning of discussion. **The Water Committee and Water TAC may not discuss or vote on items not on the agenda.**

AGENDA ITEMS: The Agenda contains the regular order of business of the Water Committee and the Water TAC. Items on the Agenda have generally been reviewed and investigated by the staff in advance of the meeting so that the WRWG Committee can be fully informed about a matter before making its decision.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Items listed on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Committee member or citizen so requests. In this event, the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered after the Consent Calendar. If you would like an item on the Consent Calendar discussed, simply tell Staff or a member of the Committee.

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS



In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the SGVCOG office at (626) 457-1800. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the SGVCOG to make reasonable arrangement to ensure accessibility to this meeting.



1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment (*If necessary, the Chair may place reasonable time limits on all comments.*)
4. Changes to Agenda Order: Identify emergency items arising after agenda posting and requiring action prior to next regular meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR (*It is anticipated that the Water Committee/TAC may act on the following matters*)

5. Water Committee/TAC Meeting Minutes – Page 1
Recommended Action: Approve Water Committee/TAC meeting minutes.

PRESENTATIONS

6. Tapping into Available Capacity in Existing Infrastructure to Create Water Supply and Water Quality Solutions Overview: White Paper Presentation - David W. Pedersen, General Manager, Las Virgenes Municipal Water District
Recommended Action: For information only.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

7. 2017-2018 Legislative Summary – Page 3
Recommended Action: For information only.

UPDATE ITEMS

8. E/WMP Updates
 - RH/SGR
 - East SGV
 - ULAR*Recommended Action: For information only.*
9. Water Boards Update
Recommended Action: For information only.
10. Water Supply Update
Recommended Action: For information only.
11. Stormwater Litigation Update
Recommended Action: For information only.

CHAIR'S REPORT

12. Meeting with Water Board Chair Madelyn Glickfeld
Recommended Action: For information only.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. 2018 San Gabriel Valley Water Forum: Tuesday, September 18, 2018 – Page 7
Recommended Action: For information only.

ADJOURN



SGVCOG Joint Water Policy Committee/TAC Unapproved Minutes

Date: July 18, 2018
Time: 10:00 AM
Location: Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
602 E. Huntington Drive, Monrovia, CA

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:02 A.M.
2. Roll Call

Water Policy Committee Members Present

M. Clark, Rosemead
J. Nelson, Glendora
G. Crudgington, Monrovia
J. Capoccia, Sierra Madre
D. Mahmud, South Pasadena
M. Spence, West Covina

Water Policy Committee Members Absent

S. Pedroza, Claremont
LA County District #1

Water TAC Members Present

K. Kearney, Bradbury
A. Tachiki, Monrovia
J. Carver, Pomona
J. Carlson, Sierra Madre
E. Reyes, SGVMWD
T. Love, P. Cortez, USGVMWD

Water TAC Members Absent

Alhambra
Covina
South Pasadena
Arcadia
LACDPW

Ex Officio Members Present

S. Green, LACSD
A. Jimenez, K. Gardner, SG Watermaster

Ex Officio Members Absent

Guests

B. Jensen, SGV Economic Partnership
R. Tahir, TECs

B. Lathrop, Bradbury
M. Litchfield; R. Hansen, Three Valleys MWD
Mary Ann Lutz, Former Mayor of Monrovia

F. Andes, Federal Water Quality Coalition
D. Gailey San Gabriel Valley Water
Association
W La., Laser/SGMRC

SGVCOG Staff

K. Ward
P. Hubler
E. Wolf

3. Public Comment.
No public comment was given.
4. Changes to Agenda Order.

CONSENT CALENDAR

5. Water Committee/TAC Meeting Minutes

There was a motion to approve the minutes. (M/S: J. Capoccia /G. Crudgington).

[MOTION PASSED]

AYES:	Glendora, Monrovia, Sierra Madre, Bradbury, Pomona, Rosemead, SGVMWD, USGVMWD
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Claremont, Alhambra, Covina, West Covina, Arcadia, South Pasadena, LACDPW

PRESENTATION

6. Federal Legislative Update and Integrated Planning Overview - Fred Andes, Federal Water Quality Coalition

F. Andes presented on this item.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. Safe, Clean Water Program.

E. Wolf presented on this item.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

8. AB 2538 (Rubio)

P. Hubler reported on this item.

9. SB 1133 (Portantino)

P. Hubler reported on this item.

10. SB 1422 (Portantino)

P. Hubler reported on this item.

11. S. 2800/H.R. 8

P. Hubler reported on this item.

UPDATE ITEMS

12. E/WMP Updates.

- RH/SGR: J. Carlson reported on this item.

- East SGV: J. Carver reported on this item.

- ULAR: No report given.

13. Water Boards Update

A. Fellow reported on this item.

14. Army Corps of Engineers Action on the Whittier Narrows Basin

K. Gardner reported on this item.

15. Water Supply Update/ Infrastructure Observatory Tour Recap

G. Crudgington reported on this item.

16. Stormwater Litigation Update

No update was given.

CHAIR'S REPORT

J. Nelson provided a report. The Water Committee and TAC meeting will likely go dark in August unless pressing items arise that would necessitate a meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

17. California Financing Coordinating Committee Funding Fairs: August 29/30, 2018

18. 2018 San Gabriel Valley Water Forum: Tuesday, September 18, 2018

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

DATE: September 11, 2018

TO: Water Committee
Water TAC

FROM: Marisa Creter, Executive Director

RE: **2017-2018 LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

For information only.

BACKGROUND

Below is a summary and updates on the legislative items the Water Committee and Water TAC have tracked through the 2017-2018 legislative cycle.

AB 2538 (RUBIO) - MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEMS: FINANCIAL CAPABILITY ANALYSIS

This bill would require the state board, by July 1, 2019, to establish financial capability assessment guidelines for municipal separate storm sewer system permittees that are adequate and consistent when considering the costs to local jurisdictions. The intent of the Legislature in enacting this measure is to do all of the following:

- Comply with the federal Clean Water Act
- Help local governments that are making a good faith effort to be stewards of the environment but lack a dedicated revenue source for stormwater.
- Find solutions and share the cost of compliance for local governments that are participating in a watershed management program or an enhanced watershed management program.
- Not weaken environmental protections for lower income communities but rather to provide funding to achieve the same protections for all communities.
- Help the State Water Resources Control Board, the California regional water quality control boards, and local governments to prioritize the many competing requirements faced by communities dealing with funding drinking water, groundwater, sanitary sewer, flood protection, and stormwater improvements.
- Give communities time to apply for grants to overcome the financial constraints of local government without fear of fines and third-party litigation.

The SGVCOG took a position of support for AB 2538 and the bill is currently enrolled awaiting the Governor's signature

SB 1133 (PORTANTINO) - WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLANS: FUNDING

This bill would authorize the State Water Resources Control Board, on behalf of itself or a regional board, to accept donations of moneys from a permittee for the purpose of updating a water quality

control plan. The SGVCOG took a position of support for SB 1133 and the bill is currently enrolled awaiting the Governor's signature.

SB 1422 (PORTANTINO) - CALIFORNIA SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT: MICROPLASTICS

This bill would require the state board, on or before July 1, 2020, to adopt a definition of microplastics in drinking water, and on or before July 1, 2021, to adopt a standard methodology to be used in the testing of drinking water for microplastics and requirements for 4 years of testing and reporting of microplastics in drinking water, including public disclosure of those results.

The SGVCOG did not take a position on SB 1422 and the bill is currently enrolled awaiting the Governor's signature

S. 2800, AMERICA'S WATER INFRASTRUCTURE ACT OF 2018 (BARRASSO) AND H.R. 8, WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2018 (SHUSTER)

S. 2800 and H.R. 8 are companion bills in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives respectively. Every two years, a bill similar to H.R. 8 must be passed in order to fund the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. This year, these two bills include additional language addressing other water and stormwater policy and infrastructure goals, some of which are issues that the SGVCOG has long advocated. Specifically, S. 2800 includes the following sections:

- Stormwater Infrastructure Funding Task Force: Section 5001 creates a task force of public and private interests to study and recommend how to improve funding and financing of stormwater infrastructure.
- Integrated Plans: Section 5006 incorporates language from S. 692 (previously passed by the Senate) that would allow permittees to use "integrated planning" in order to holistically address regulations in the following categories: water, wastewater, stormwater, sanitary sewer, and water quality-based effluent limits. Section 5006 also establishes the position of municipal ombudsman within the EPA and directs the EPA to update its financial capability assessment guidelines.

The SGVCOG took a position of support for Sections 5001 and 5006 of S. 2800. H.R. 8 was passed in the House on June 6, 2018 and S. 2800 is making its way to the Senate floor. Eventually, the bills will need to be reconciled and it is hoped that the final version would continue to include language similar to Sections 5001 and 5006 of S. 2800.

SB 623 (MONNING) - WATER QUALITY: SAFE AND AFFORDABLE DRINKING WATER FUND

This bill creates the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund, administered by the SWRCB, and imposes water, fertilizer and dairy fees to fund safe drinking water programs. Among other provisions, this bill:

- Imposes a fee on each customer of a public water system until July 1, 2020, as follows:
 - \$0.95 per month for customers with water meters up to one inch or customers without water meters;
 - \$4 per month for customers with water meters greater than one and up to two

- inches;
- \$6 per month for customers with water meters greater than two and up to four inches;
- \$10 per month for customers with water meters greater than four inches;
- Exempts specified low-income customers, fire flow, or nonpotable uses such as recycled water from the water fee;
- Requires a customer with multiple meters or connections at a single address to pay a single monthly fee based on the largest metered connection.
- Imposes a \$0.005 per dollar of sale on all fertilizer materials.
- Imposes a \$0.01355 per hundredweight of milk/dairy sales.
- Establishes the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund, and requires the revenues (minus any allowed administrative costs) of the water, fertilizer and dairy fee to be deposited in the fund and continuously appropriates moneys in the Fund to SWRCB.
- Requires SWRCB to develop and annually update a map of aquifers at high risk of containing contaminants that exceed state and federal primary drinking water standards.
- Prohibits SWRCB or regional water quality boards from enforcement actions against agricultural operations for exceeding nitrate groundwater objectives or other groundwater pollution standards if the operation demonstrates certain mitigation requirements are met, including the timely payment of the fertilizer or dairy fee.

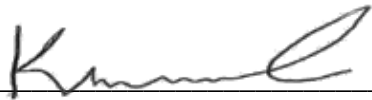
The SGVCOG took a position of opposition unless the bill was amended to remove the fee on public water systems. This bill was declared dead as of June 27, 2018.


SB 633 (PORTANTINO) WATER QUALITY OBJECTIVES: STORMWATER

This bill would require a regional board preparing a water quality control plan for a region having a population in excess of 10 million residents to additionally consider opportunities to convey stormwater to a regional site within the watershed in which the stormwater originated for capture and infiltration and to consider the opportunity for stormwater capture when determining past and probable future beneficial uses of water, as specified. This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the Los Angeles region.

The SGVCOG did not take a position on SB 633 and the bill has been declared dead as of February 2, 2018.

The California Senate and Assembly bills that were approved will now need to be signed into law by Governor Brown. The Governor has until September 30th to sign or veto the bills at his desk.

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Approved by: 
Marisa Creter
Executive Director



SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WATER FORUM

2018

A Balanced Response

**DROUGHTS
& FLOODS**

**IMPORTED WATER
(DELTA SUSTAINABILITY)**

**STORM WATER CAPTURE
(MS 4 PERMITS)**

**RECYCLED WATER
INNOVATIONS**



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Invitation

REGISTER HERE

Tuesday, September 18, 2018
Sheraton Fairplex Conference Center
Pomona, California

7:30 am: Registration, Breakfast / Exhibits

8:00 am to 1:30 pm

Program and Luncheon Featuring:

- ◆ Climate and Water Supply Conditions
- ◆ Imported Water
- ◆ Stormwater Capture
- ◆ Recycled Water
- ◆ Special Luncheon Keynote Discussion

This educational event is open to the public, city officials and businesses. Tickets are priced at \$75. A limited number of free tickets have been reserved for students, teachers and school administrators in the San Gabriel Valley.

Note: This event is approved for four (4) Continuing Education Contact Hours by the State Water Resources Control Board.

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