



REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MAY 12, 2026



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MEETING NOTICE

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT WILL BE HELD AT 12:30 P.M., TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2026 AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE, 6767 EAST MAIN STREET STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA 95215

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K. Adjournment

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Priya Ram, Director of Finance & Administration
Stockton East Water District

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THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT WAS HELD AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE
6767 EAST MAIN STREET, STOCKTON, CA
ON TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2026, AT 12:30 P.M.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

President McGurk called the regular meeting to order at 12:30 p.m., Manager Hopkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call at the District were Directors Atkins, Hansen, Nakaue, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti and Watkins. Also present were Manager Hopkins, Assistant Manager Vega, Director of Finance and Administration Ram, District Engineer Evensen, Operations Manager Wunderlich, Maintenance and Construction Manager Higaes, Administrative Clerk Barraza, Legal Counsel Zolezzi and Consultant Barkett.

President McGurk presented the Board with two handouts to be considered as additions to the meeting agenda due to a subsequent need for urgency. He reported on Item D-8, a staff report regarding the consideration of authorizing the Board President to execute and submit a Letter of Intent to undertake the Farmington Dam Feasibility Study under Section 203 of WRDA 1986, and Item D-9, a letter supporting the appointment of Vice Chair Dorene D'Adamo to the State Water Resources Control Board. He reported a two-thirds vote of the Board is required to add these items to today's agenda.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve Agenda Items D-8 and D-9 as part of the April 28, 2026, Regular Board Meeting Agenda, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

Manager Hopkins introduced the Board to Zach Zamaroni, the District's new Electrical Technician I.

D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEM

1. Minutes 04/21/26 Regular Board Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the April 21, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Hansen, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Nays: None

Abstain: McGurk

Absent: None

2. Warrants

a. Fund 68 – Municipal & Industrial Groundwater Fund

b. Fund 70 – Administration Fund

c. Fund 71 – Water Supply Fund

- d. Fund 89 – Fish Passage Improvement Fund
- e. Fund 94 – Municipal & Industrial Fund
- f. Summary
- g. Short/Acronym List
- h. SEWD Vehicles & Heavy Equipment

Director McGurk inquired about the Warrants and staff provided responses to the questions.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the April 28, 2026, Warrants, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

3. Warrants – California’s Public Employees’ Retirement System

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the April 28, 2026, California’s Public Employees’ Retirement System, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

4. Revised Base Monthly Payment – Fiscal Year 2026/2027

a. Public Hearing

President McGurk opened the Public Hearing at 12:35p.m., to receive comments on the Revised Amount of the Base Monthly Payment for the period May 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027.

Seeing no public comment, President McGurk closed the Public Hearing at 12:36p.m.

b. Resolution No. 26-27-02 – Setting a Revised Base Monthly Payment for Period May 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027

Manager Hopkins presented the Board with Resolution No. 26-27-02 for Setting a Revised Base Monthly Payment for Period May 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027. Manager Hopkins reported the resolution is necessary pursuant to the second amended contract among The District and The California Water Service Company, The City of Stockton, The Lincoln Village Maintenance District and The Colonial Heights Maintenance District providing for the sale of treated water, following additional expense stemming from purchase of transfer water.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve Resolution No. 26-27-02 Setting A Revised Base Monthly Payment for Period May 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

5. Cancellation of May 5, 2026 Stockton East Water District Regular Board Meeting
Manager Hopkins presented the Board with the Cancellation of May 5, 2026 Stockton East Water District Regular Board Meeting. Manager Hopkins reported four Board members, along with himself, will be in Washington, D.C. for the 2026 SJCOG Conference. Due to a quorum of the Board being on this trip, he recommended canceling the meeting, as there will be no quorum.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve Cancellation of May 5, 2026 Stockton East Water District Regular Board Meeting, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

6. Stockton East Water District – Staff Report – Consider Award of Contract for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 for ACH/P After Second Round of Bid Proposals
Manager Hopkins presented the Board with a Staff Report to Consider Award of Contract for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 for ACH/P After Second Round of Bid Proposals. Assistant Manager Vega reported the District annually procures treatment chemicals through a competitive bidding process, however both the selected vendor and the only other bidder failed to provide required laboratory documentation demonstrating compliance with specifications, necessitating rejection of both bids and readvertisement.

Director Nakaue inquired about the staff report and staff provided responses to the questions.

A motion was moved and seconded to authorize the General Manager to approve Chemical Vendor Agreement with Chemtrade. Additionally, in case of emergency or lack of performance by Chemtrade, Staff further recommended the Board of Directors authorize the General Manager (or his designee) to approve emergency orders from another responsible bidder on the list at the lowest possible price, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

7. Tour
 - a. 8-Mile Site
 - b. Bellota Weir Site

President McGurk has moved this item to follow Closed Session.

8. Stockton East Water District – Staff Report – Consideration of Authorizing the Board President to Execute and Submit a Letter of Intent to Undertake the Farmington Dam Feasibility Study Under Section 203 of WRDA 1986
Manager Hopkins presented the Board with a Staff Report for Consideration of Authorizing the Board President to Execute and Submit a Letter of Intent to Undertake the Farmington Dam Feasibility Study Under Section 203 of WRDA 1986. Manager Hopkins reported the letter of intent initiates the formal process for Stockton East Water District to sponsor the study, authorized in the WRDA 2024, to expand Farmington Dam from 52,000 acre-foot flood control facility to a 112,00

acre-foot multipurpose reservoir supporting water supply storage, groundwater recharge, and continued flood management for Rock Creek.

Director Atkins and Watkins inquired about the staff report and staff provided responses to the questions.

A motion was moved and seconded to authorize the Board President to execute and submit the attached Letter of Intent to Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works) Adam R. Telle requesting approval to undertake the Farmington Dam Feasibility Study under Section 203 of WRDA 1986, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

9. Stockton East Water District – Support for Appointment of Vice Chair Dorene D’adamo to State Water Resources Control Board Letter

Manager Hopkins presented the Board with a Support Letter for Appointment of Vice Chair Dorene D’adamo to State Water Resources Control Board. Manager Hopkins reported the District would like to take this opportunity to express its strong support for the reappointment of Vice Chair Dorene D’adamo to the State Water Resources Control Board. He reported the District has appreciated the role Ms. D’adamo has played through the years in supporting sustainable groundwater management and the important role groundwater recharge plays in helping to replenish groundwater aquifers in this state. Consultant Barkett added additional information about the District’s support for Vice Chair D’adamo.

A motion was moved and seconded to authorize the Board President to execute and submit the attached Support Letter for Appointment of Vice Chair Dorene D’adamo to State Water Resources Control Board, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Special Agricultural Operations Committee Meeting, 04/22/26

Director Atkins, Hansen, Nakaue and Sanguinetti along with Manager Hopkins, Assistant Manager Vega, Director of Finance and Administration Ram and District Engineer Evensen attended the Special Agricultural Operations Committee Meeting. Director Atkins reported the committee discussed 3 staff reports pertaining to an Update on ATP Study Findings and Implications for Agricultural Funding and District Reserves, Evaluation and Comparison of ‘Normal’ as Defined by NOAA and the San Joaquin Index and Recommendation to Approve Cost Sharing Agreement for Joint SWEEP Block Grant Application. The Recommendation to Approve Cost Sharing Agreement for Joint SWEEP Block Grant Application was not recommended to move forward to the full board.

2. Special Municipal Operations Committee Meeting, 04/22/26

Director Atkins, McGurk, Nakaue and Panizza along with Manager Hopkins, Assistant Manager Vega, and District Engineer Evensen attended the Special Municipal Operations Committee

Meeting. Director McGurk reported the committee discussed four staff reports which was to Consider Approval of Professional Services Agreement for PLC-SCADA Integration Services for the Bellota Weir Modifications Project, to Consider Approving a Professional Services Agreement for the WTP & WS FY 26/27 SCADA Support Services with Control Point Engineering, to Consider Approving a Professional Services Agreement for Watershed Sanitary Surveys for Calaveras and Stanislaus Rivers, and to Consider Approval of HVAC System Modifications and Redundant Cooling System at High Service Pump Station and Proposed Budget Amendment. All recommendations are to be presented to the full board.

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 04/21/26

Manager Hopkins provided a handout of the Water Supply Report for information only that included storage, release, and production data collected from various sources as of midnight last night.

There is 213,086 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 115 cfs. There is 1,870,734 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current releases are set at 814 cfs. The current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River is set at 896 cfs and release to all water users is set at 1,484 cfs. The District's Water Treatment Plant (WTP) is currently processing 36 mgd. The City of Stockton WTP is currently processing 13 mgd. The District groundwater production is currently 11 mgd.

2. Information Items

3. Report on General Manager Activities

a. Stockton East Water District Activities Update

Manager Hopkins reported that he gave a presentation at Cal Poly, during which he discussed the District, the type of work he performs, and solicited interest in the District's current vacancy for Associate Engineer I.

Manager Hopkins reported District Engineer Evensen identified an opportunity to save the District approximately \$500,000 on the Bellota Weir Modifications Project. He reported the savings are specific to the agricultural cost share and result from eliminating the piling features beneath the pipelines running from the diversion structure to the Old Calaveras River similar to the construction of the 13-mile Bellota Pipeline. The Board did not object.

Manager Hopkins reported he attended the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors meeting to support the MICUP agreement among Stockton East Water District, the City of Stockton, North San Joaquin Water Conservation District, and San Joaquin County. He reported the County's approval of the agreement was challenged by Woodbridge Irrigation District; however, the agreement ultimately received unanimous approval.

Manager Hopkins reported a non-district car crash occurred at the District's front gates early in the morning, and staff are working to complete fence repairs.

Manager Hopkins provided the Board with the equipment use for the week of 04/20/26.

4. Stockton East Water District Finance Update

Director of Finance and Administration Ram presented the Board with a Finance Update. She reported year-to-date investment income for FY 2025–2026 is \$1,634,837, compared to \$1,989,568

for FY 2024–2025, representing a decrease of 17.8% due to reduced interest rates. She also reported that there has been a delay in the Tyler Technologies conversion due to last-minute data conversion issues, and staff are actively working with Tyler Technologies to resolve these issues and complete the process. The year-to-date expense report is not included at this time, as staff are currently working on year-end closing and finalizing expenses.

Director of Finance and Administration Ram reported the Board of Directors’ binders are scheduled to be updated in May and asked that Directors bring their binders to the next Board meeting so staff can update those.. She also reported the Finance and Administration Department is down two employees due to leave. Lastly, she reported the District has achieved 105 consecutive days without any reportable injury.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS

H. COMMUNICATIONS

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Special Administration Committee Meeting, 11:00 a.m., 04/29/26
2. Ad-Hoc Board Ethical Guidelines Review and Update Committee, 1:30 p.m., 04/29/26
3. 2026 SJCOG One Voice Conference, 05/04/26 – 05/06/26
4. 2026 ACWA Spring Conference, 05/05/26 – 05/07/26
5. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce – Networking Mixer at Kings Card Club, 5:00 p.m., 05/07/26
6. San Joaquin County and Delta Water Quality Coalition Steering Committee Meeting, 9:00 a.m., 05/11/26

I. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Potential exposure to litigation – Government Code Section 54956.9 – one case

President McGurk adjourned the meeting to closed session at 1:21 p.m. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:24 p.m., with no reportable action.

K. ADJOURNMENT

President McGurk adjourned the meeting at 3:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Justin M. Hopkins
General Manager

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STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT
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Vendor name	Account #	Description	Amount	Invoice No.
1 PG&E 8587816171-1	10-5302-0	GROUNDWATER PROD. FUND 68 Electricity 03/31/26-04/28/26 North Side Extraction Well #2	42,671.94	85878161711-04/29/26
		GROUNDWATER PROD. FUND 68 TOTAL	\$42,671.94	

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Vendor name	Account #	Description	Amount	Invoice No.
		ADMIN FUND 70		
2 Airespring Inc.	10-5141-0	Internet charges for 05/01/26-05/31/26	1,239.24	208105613
3 Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	10-5125-0	Engineering: Laptop case - new laptop	42.55	14VJ-TVWQ-HDWY
4 Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	10-5125-0	Office supplies ordered on 04/13/26	86.00	1QYM-3KFC-LHGY
5 Calidad Services, Inc.	10-5143-0	Monitoring for April 2026	1,282.40	4849 - 2
6 Cerida Investment Corp	10-5141-0	Answering service from 05/05/26-06/01/26	227.70	112-95938
7 Fishbio	10-5174-0	April 2026 Calaveras HCP Reporting/Calaveras RST Monitoring/RMA Compliance	34,604.07	5355
8 Grainger, Inc.	10-5101-0	Storage container for Lead Acid Batteries	796.61	9862783017
9 iHub San Joaquin c/o Brenna Butler Garcia	10-5133-0	2026 H2O Hackathon Sponsorship	2,500.00	050226-H2O 2026
10 Juan Vega	10-5104-0	2026 AMWA conference travel expense reimbursement J. Vega	1,214.01	2026AMWA reimb
11 Mallory Safety and Supply LLC	10-5101-0	AED for Unit 43 - Dive/Rescue Trailer	2,252.73	6390168
12 North San Joaquin Water Conservation District	10-5154-0	Reimbursement for MICUP	8,224.50	MICUP-1
13 Platt Electric Supply Inc.	10-5146-0	Monitoring Well Antennas-SCADA prj- Conduit fittings and seals	16.38	7G29774
14 Provost & Pritchard Engineering Group, Inc	10-5110-0	Urban Water Management Plan - Prof. Services Mar 2026	2,606.80	129626
15 Provost & Pritchard Engineering Group, Inc	10-5154-0	Professional serv. 03/01/26-03/31/26	1,400.00	129557
16 Quill Corporation	10-5125-0	Office supplies ordered on 04/13/26	841.13	48532155/088/443/085

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		ADMIN FUND 70		
17 Red Wing Shoe Store	10-5101-0	2026 Safety Shoe Allowance- J. Stephens & I. Dhatt	500.00	2.02604E+13
18 San Joaquin County Farm Bureau Federation	10-5133-0	Water-Food Sponsor ad	130.00	2026-Water=Food
19 San Joaquin County Farm Bureau Federation	10-5133-0	112th San Joaquin Farm Bureau Annual Meeting 06/04/26	500.00	2026-112th Annual Meeting
20 Shred City LLC	10-5125-0	Document destruction service- April 2026	40.00	27182041426
21 Standard Insurance	10-5047-0	June 2026 long term insurance-Admin	422.17	46174
22 The Gualco Group, Inc.	10-5155-0	Prof. Services for 04/01/26-04/30/26	6,500.00	46146
23 The Record	10-5133-0	Notice of Public Hearing on 04/07/26	127.10	7650374
24 US Bank-San Joaquin County	10-5114-0	Sanguinetti easement filing	12.50	Wunder3017-042226a
25 US Bank Corporate Payment System	10-5127-0	Meeting expense on 04/02/26	17.57	Ram7551-042226b
26 US Bank-United Airlines	10-5104-0	2026 AMWA conference travel expense- J. Hopkins	219.92	Ram7551-042226f
27 US Bank-Greater Stockton Chamber	10-5103-0	A Toast to 125 Years Stockton registration- A. Watkins, R. Atkins & R. Victor	120.00	Ram7551-042226aee
28 US Bank-ACWA	10-5103-0	2026 ACWA Spring conference registration- D. Evensen & J. Vega	2,198.00	Ram7551-042226cd
29 US Bank-Starlink	10-5141-0	Monthly service 04/08/26-05/08/26	50.00	Cahoon8501-042226g
30 US Bank-Parking Whiz	10-5127-0	Meeting expense parking on 04/06/26 for USACE	6.00	Hopkins9020-042226g
31 US Bank-Lenovo	10-5142-0	ThinkPad X1 2in1 Gen 10 & ThinkPad P16 Gen 2	7,612.15	Vega2302-042226g
32 US Bank Corporate Payment System	10-5127-0	Board meeting supplies/meal expense on 04/07/26	527.98	Rangel5834-042226c
33 US Bank Corporate Payment System	10-5127-0	Board meeting supplies/meal expense on 04/07/26	7.98	Rangel5834-042226d
34 US Bank Corporate Payment System	10-5127-0	Board room/break room supplies	581.78	Evensen3257-042226bc
35 US Bank-ACWA	10-5103-0	CLE workshop #3- H. Wood	85.00	Cahoon8501-042226i
36 US Bank Corporate Payment System	10-5127-0	Meeting expense on 03/25/26	16.99	Rangel5834-042226a
37 US Bank Corporate Payment System	10-5127-0	Board meeting supplies/meal expense on 03/24/26	223.48	Hopkins9020-042226bc
38 US Bank-City of Sacramento	10-5127-0	Meeting expense parking on 03/24/26 for Gualco Group	14.00	Hopkins9020-042226f
39 US Bank Corporate Payment System	10-5127-0	Meeting expense on 03/31/26	45.50	Rangel5834-042226b
40 Verizon Wireless Multi-line account	10-5141-0	Wireless charges from 03/26/26-04/25/26	1,707.95	6142023345
41 Wille Electric Supply Co, Inc.	10-5146-0	Monitoring Well Antennas-SCADA prj- Conduit fittings	192.83	S2294095.001
42 Xerox Financial Services LLC	10-5124-0	04/25/26-05/24/26 SEWD Printers Leases (4)	1,501.87	41986506
43 Xerox Financial Services LLC	10-5124-0	Monthly lease for Plotter Printer- 04/18/26-05/17/26	747.85	41912960
44 XRoad Networks, Inc	10-5141-0	Internet (StarLink) charges April 2026	345.00	ZO38019
		ADMIN FUND 70 TOTAL	\$81,787.74	

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Vendor name	Account #	Description	Amount	Invoice No.
		WATER SUPPLY FUND 71		
45 Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	10-5202-0	Solar controller for Main Street Dam	62.06	1QYM-3KFC-KKINH
46 Capital Rubber Co., Ltd.	10-5213-0	Conveyor Belt for Birdcage trash rack	1,605.79	30052903
47 Central Valley Rentals/Bobcat Central, Inc/Big Valley Rentals	10-5205-0	Eight Mile Dam Replacement prj- Concrete and rental of Mixer on 04/15/26	267.96	R49409
48 Cintas Corporation	10-5213-0	Weekly uniform and laundry service week of 04/09/26 & 04/17/26	219.40	4265601380/4266387436
49 F.T.G. Construction Materials Inc.	10-5205-0	Eight Mile Dam Replacement prj- Screened Fill Dirt (19 Loads)/Pea Gravel (4 Loads)	13,894.85	1034938/979/939/245
50 Grainger, Inc.	10-5202-0	Conduit clamps for repairs at Main Street Dam	25.41	9878650358
51 Grainger, Inc.	10-5205-0	Eight Mile Dam Replacement prj-Conduit clamps and fasteners	315.45	9882191563
52 HDS White Cap Construction Supply	10-5205-0	Eight Mile Dam Replacement prj- Landscape pins (500)/Specchem form release	824.73	50036140136/209/364/431
53 HDS White Cap Construction Supply	10-5205-0	Eight Mile Dam Replacement prj-Rental of bearing plates 03/11/26-04/07/26	479.60	10023401792
54 HDS White Cap Construction Supply	10-5202-0	Foam sealant & visqueen for installation of Dams	521.61	10023416505/564
55 Holt of CA	10-5202-0	Rental of Cab/Air Dozer 03/25/26-03/26/26 for McGurk Earth Dam installation	14,794.97	ER7216156010/5101
56 Holt of CA	10-5205-0	Eight Mile Dam Replacement prj-Rental of Roller & trailer 03/17/26-03/30/26	4,141.73	ER7216111010
57 Interstate Concrete Pumping	10-5205-0	Eight Mile Dam Replacement prj-Concrete pumping (28.5 yds., 6 hrs., OT, permit)	2,291.36	321500

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Vendor name	Account #	Description	Amount	Invoice No.
		WATER SUPPLY FUND 71		
58 Onset Computer Corporation	10-5202-0	Hobo Water Level Data Logger- Used at Bellota	1,828.61	325462
59 Pacific South West Irrigation Corp.	10-5203-0	Potter Creek Pump Station Upgrade prj- Gaskets (2)	573.23	329104
60 PG&E 0530302291-6	10-5213-0	Electricity 04/01/06-04/29/26 Birdcage trash rack	20.38	05303022916-04/30/26
61 Platt Electric Supply Inc.	10-5217-0	Highway 4 Traveling Trash Racks- Transformer, enclosure and breakers	2,544.20	7F48810
62 Provost & Pritchard Engineering Group, Inc	10-5204-0	McGurk Low Water Crossing prj--Prof. services for Mar 2026	6,827.50	129515
63 Provost & Pritchard Engineering Group, Inc	10-5205-0	Professional serv. March 2026	86,017.65	129514
64 RAT Inc.	10-5205-0	Eight Mile Dam Replacement prj-Rental of portable restroom 04/06/26-05/03/26	210.00	INV/2026/3529
65 Salazar Transportation Inc	10-5205-0	Eight Mile Dam Replacement prj-Haul Unit 77 from job site to yard	1,260.00	57890
66 San Joaquin County Sheriff Dept.	10-5202-0	Mar 2026 Temp workers-Weed abatement- NH	1,448.00	43698/43699
67 San Joaquin County Sheriff Dept.	10-5205-0	Eight Mile Dam Replacement prj- Temp workers- cleaning construction debris	686.00	43692
68 Standard Insurance	10-5056-0	June 2026 long term insurance-NH	118.62	46174
69 Standard Insurance	10-5047-0	June 2026 long term insurance-NM	256.08	46174
70 The Home Depot	10-5205-0	Eight Mile Dam Replacement prj- Lumber and carpenter pencil	79.11	2010274
71 US Bank Corporate Payment System	10-5205-0	Eight Mile Dam Replacement prj- Surge protectors (2)	290.12	Cahoon8501-042226d
72 US Bank-San Joaquin County AG Commissioner	10-5202-0	Diphacin for rodent abatement	367.22	Donis8601-042226c
73 US Bank-San Joaquin County AG Commissioner	10-5213-0	Diphacin for rodent abatement	367.22	Donis8601-042226c
74 USACE Finance and Accounting	10-5201-0	NH Water Purchase FY 2025-26	1,187,835.50	80661
75 Wille Electric Supply Co, Inc.	10-5205-0	Eight Mile Dam Replacement prj- Conduit	157.57	S2294474.001
		WATER SUPPLY FUND 71 TOTAL	\$1,330,331.93	

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Vendor name	Account #	Description	Amount	Invoice No.
		VEHICLE FUND 91		
76 Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	10-5182-0	Fuel filters for Unit 53	63.83	1WK6-6CYP-VQRW
77 American Valley Waste Oil, Inc	10-5182-0	Pick up and disposal of Oily water waste	590.00	226003
78 Clutch and Brake Xchange, Inc.	10-5343-0	Hydraulic hose & fitting for maintenance on the disc attachment for Unit 52	320.88	1015029
79 GoodYear/Wingfoot Commercial Tire	10-5182-0	Tire for Unit 86	254.45	190-1057004
80 Holt of CA	10-5182-0	Fuel filters (2) & trouble shoot/repair for Unit 98	986.16	PS001230479/201689
81 Kludt & Sons, Inc.	10-5182-0	Clear diesel (1400 gal)/Red diesel (2500 gal)/Unleaded Gasoline (1000 gal)	30,576.86	340046/340046/340164
82 Kludt & Sons, Inc.	10-5182-0	Propane for Unit 70	32.70	549428
83 Stockton Auto & Truck	10-5182-0	DEF jug (14) for shop stock	213.48	28914/29102
84 US Bank-HorseRack	10-5182-0	Camlock fittings to replace pump for Unit 34 (Cartaway tank trailer)	103.41	Cahoon8501-042226c
85 US Bank-Bubbles N' More	10-5182-0	Car wash for Unit 92	12.00	Hopkins9020-042226d
86 US Standard Products	10-5182-0	Red grease (1 case) for Heavy Equipment Maintenance	426.69	838193 - 2
		VEHICLE FUND 91 TOTAL	\$33,580.46	

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STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT
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Vendor name	Account #	Description	Amount	Invoice No.
		MUNICIPAL & INDUSTRIAL FUND 94		
87 A T.E.M Electrical Engineering	10-5323-0	Control Vault Valve & Actuator Replacement prj-Prof. services for Feb-Mar 2026	360.00	2602b-01
88 Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	10-5341-0	Disposable Gloves (1 case-L & 1 case-XL)	256.98	1MTR-H1LD-KXXY
89 Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	10-5321-0	PVC Primer for Hypo Feed redesign	21.23	11NF-FCHJ-LWXD
90 American Sign Products	10-5321-0	Hour sign for Main Street gate	72.73	17782
91 Calidad Services, Inc.	10-5325-0	Remote guarding for April 2026	1,500.00	4849 - 1
92 Cintas Corporation	10-5342-0	Weekly uniform and laundry service week of 04/09/26 & 04/17/26	624.44	4265601380/4266387436
93 DXP Enterprise, Inc.	10-5321-0	Back pressure valves (2) for upgrading Feeder 4	1,819.40	55738468
94 Energy Systems - West Coast Energy Systems LLC	10-5321-0	Hoses and seals for maintenance on Emergency Generators-HSPS	836.70	205016-1
95 Grainger, Inc.	10-5321-0	PVC adhesive for Hypo Feed redesign & pipe markers "Hypochlorite" (10)	184.81	9874145478/27684
96 Grainger, Inc.	10-5326-0	Smoke alarms for Admin (2) & Ops (1)	189.97	9860579367/48736
97 Grainger, Inc.	10-5343-0	Locking C-clamps and tape measure	234.19	9871741055/50341
98 Grainger, Inc.	10-5344-0	Heavy duty plastic wrap & trash bags (2 box)	103.12	9879104736/5911
99 HDS White Cap Construction Supply	10-5321-0	Fasteners and adhesives to install railing at Low Lift Pump Station	107.84	10023472187
100 HDS White Cap Construction Supply	10-5321-0	Fasteners and adhesives for cleaning up piping on Feeder 4	53.75	10023433320

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Vendor name	Account #	Description	Amount	Invoice No.
		MUNICIPAL & INDUSTRIAL FUND 94		
101 Industrial Electrical Company PLC	10-5321-0	Pump & motor efficiency testing- Infrared Inspection	2,640.00	PI-091298
102 J. Milano Company, Inc.	10-5344-0	Lag screws and tie down straps	46.33	155562
103 J. Milano Company, Inc.	10-5321-0	Pipe fittings and zip ties for Feeder 4	38.97	155414
104 McMaster-Carr Supply Co	10-5321-0	Strainers (4) for maintenance on Hypo System	72.35	62727169
105 PG&E 0908023195-5	10-5302-0	Electricity 03/23/26-04/20/26 WTP East Side Feeder	18,977.22	09080231955-04/21/26
106 PG&E 2544904013-5	10-5302-0	Electricity 03/23/26-04/20/26 TP HS @6749 E Main	114,786.32	25449040135-04/21/26
107 Platt Electric Supply Inc.	10-5343-0	Socket/Tape measure/ Sockets	92.53	7G29649/7G49032
108 Platt Electric Supply Inc.	10-5344-0	Cable ties/Fiber optic patch cords/Electrical tape	207.08	7G14963/23Z5096
109 Rat Inc.	10-5324-0	Rental of portable sink & restroom for Maintenance yard 04/09/26-05/14/26	260.00	INV/2026/3683/3985
110 Ryan Herco Flows Solutions	10-5321-0	Pipe and fittings for maintenance on Hypo System	386.67	B561369
111 San Joaquin County Sheriff Dept.	10-5324-0	Mar 2026 Temp workers-Weed abatement- TP	4,344.00	43693-43697
112 Standard Insurance	10-5047-0	June 2026 long term insurance-M&I	1,229.24	46174
113 Stantec Consulting Services Inc.	10-5323-0	Prof services for 02/3/26-04/03/26	5,354.24	2549688
114 Stantec Consulting Services Inc.	10-5323-0	Sedimentation Basin Design prj- Professional serv. 03/09/26-04/30/26	30,204.70	2547297
115 Stockton Windustrial Co.	10-5321-0	Pipe, fittings, sealant, brush, solder, flux & tubing to repair leak on P-27	745.95	402447 01
116 Stockton Windustrial Co.	10-5321-0	Pipe fitting/Adhesive/Channel/Brackets for Feeder 4	4,065.60	402515/783/818/917/879
117 Stockton Windustrial Co.	10-5321-0	Valves, pipe and fittings for maintenance on Hypo System	2,078.25	402135 04/402662 01
118 United Rentals	10-5328-0	Rental of Demo Hammer for Feeder 4 04/07/26-04/08/26	102.37	260872238-001
119 US Bank-Harbor Freight	10-5343-0	Digital multimeter	27.24	Donis8601-042226b
120 US Bank-Lab One Inc	10-5321-0	Fuel water testing for diesel and red diesel tanks	41.20	Cahoon8501-042226e
121 US Bank-Gatorade	10-5344-0	Electrolyte drink mix (3 cases)	281.16	Cahoon8501-042226b
122 US Bank Corporate Payment System	10-5321-0	Clock gauge for clear diesel tank	736.09	Riojas0385-042226a
123 US Bank-San Joaquin County AG Commissioner	10-5324-0	Diphacin for rodent abatement	367.22	Donis8601-042226c

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Vendor name	Account #	Description	Amount	Invoice No.
124 US Bank-Marquest Scientific	10-5321-0	Gauges for chemical feeder	598.62	Cahoon8501-042226h
125 US Bank-Central Valley Septic	10-5326-0	Clean septic for Shop 1 & Shop 4	1,449.00	Riojas0385-042226bc
126 US Bank-ACE Hardware	10-5343-0	Blower (gas) and fuel oil mixture	626.09	Donis8601-042226a
127 US Bank-AquaPhoenix	10-5307-0	ORP standard for Lab	126.99	Cahoon8501-042226a
128 US Standard Products	10-5341-0	Safety glasses (3 cases) for Heavy Equipment Maintenance	318.95	838193
129 Wille Electric Supply Co, Inc.	10-5321-0	Conduit fittings for installing actuators in Low Lift Pump Station	52.65	S2293875.001
		MUNICIPAL & INDUSTRIAL FUND 94 TOTAL	\$196,622.19	

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STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT
PAYROLL EXPENSES MAY 12, 2026

Vendor name	Description	Amount
	ADMIN FUND 70	
1 SEWD Fund 01-General Fund	Payroll Date - 04/10/26	46,089.30
	Payroll Date - 04/24/26	54,030.70
	ADMIN FUND 70 PAYROLL TOTAL	\$ 100,120.00
	WATER SUPPLY FUND 71	
2 SEWD Fund 01-General Fund	Payroll Date - 04/10/26	42,086.56
	Payroll Date - 04/24/26	46,561.92
	WATER SUPPLY FUND 71 PAYROLL TOTAL	\$ 88,648.48
	MUNICIPAL & INDUSTRIAL FUND 94	
3 SEWD Fund 01-General Fund	Payroll Date - 04/10/26	136,386.54
	Payroll Date - 04/24/26	143,424.19
	MUNICIPAL & INDUSTRIAL FUND 94 PAYROLL TOTAL	\$ 279,810.73
	TOTAL FOR RBM 05/12/2026	\$ 468,579.21

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**STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT
INVOICES AND PAYROLL FOR BOARD PACKAGE
MAY 12, 2026**

Fund Number	Fund Summary	AP Amount	Payroll Amount
Fund 68	Groundwater Prod. Fund	42,671.94	
Fund 70	Administration Fund	81,787.74	100,120.00
Fund 71	Water Supply Fund	1,330,331.93	88,648.48
Fund 91	Vehicle Fund	33,580.46	
Fund 94	Municipal & Industrial Fund	196,622.19	279,810.73
	TOTAL FUND SUMMARY	\$1,684,994.26	\$468,579.21

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Short Names/Acronym List

ACH	Aluminum Chlorohydrate
ACWA	Association of California Water Agencies
Admin	Administration
Ads	Advertisement
AF	Acre Feet
AG	Agriculture
AR	Accounts Receivable
AWP	Alternative Work Program
CEQA	California Environmental Quality Act
Chgs	Charges
CM	Construction Management
COP	Certificate of Participation
CSDA	California Special District Authority
CSJWCD	Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District
CVPWA	Central Valley Project Water Association
CWS	California Water Services Company
DB	Distribution Box
DBCP	Dibromochloropropane
DDTS	Direct Distance Telephone Service
DL	Direct Line
Educ	Education
FCC	Federal Communications Commission
FOIA	Freedom of Information Act
GM	General Manager
HCP	Habitat Conservation Plan
HP	Hewlett Packard
HSPS	High Service Pump Station
HVAC	Heating, Ventilating Airconditioning
LD	Long Distance
LFC	Lower Farmington Canal
LLPS	Low Lift Pump Station
LT2	Long Term 2 -Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule
M&O	Maintenance & Operations
MCC	Master Control Center
Misc.	Miscellaneous
mtg	Meeting
NH-	New Hogan
NM	New Melones
NH3-N	Ammonia
NMCF	New Melones Conveyance Facility
NWRP	New Water Reservoir Project
OBA	Oxygen Breathing Apparatus
OCR	Old Calaveras River
PACL	Poly Aluminum Chloride
PM	Preventive Maintenance
Prof	Professional
PSM	Process Safety Management
PVC	Polyvinyl Chloride
RMP	Risk Management Plan
SCADA	Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition
SCBA	Self Contained Breathing Apparatus
SEWD	Stockton East Water District
SWRCB	State Water Resources Control Board
St	Street
T5	Water Treatment Operator Certificate Grade 5
Tel	Telephone
THM	Trihalomethane
TO	Task Order
TP	Treatment Plant
UFC	Upper Farmington Canal
UPS	Uninterrupted Power Supply
VAMP	Vernalis Adaptive Management Plan
VFD	Variable Frequency Drive
WMP	Water Management Plan
WQMS	Water Quality Monitoring System
WS	Water Supply
WSEP	Water Supply Enhancement Project
WTP	Water Treatment Plant

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Vehicles	
Unit 57 2011 Ford F150 Pickup Long Bed	Pickup Truck
Unit 65 2015 Ford F250 S-Duty 4wd	Pickup Truck
Unit 66 2015 Ford F250 S-Duty 4wd	Pickup Truck
Unit 67 2015 Ford F250 S-Duty 4wd	Pickup Truck
Unit 69 2015 Ford F150 4x4 Supercrew Pickup	Pickup Truck
Unit 74 2019 Ford F250 S-Duty 4wd	Pickup Truck
Unit 75 2019 Ford F250 S-Duty 4wd	Pickup Truck
Unit 76 2020 Ford Escape	Automobile
Unit 79 2022 Ford F150	Pickup Truck
Unit 80 2022 Ford F150	Pickup Truck
Unit 81 2022 Ram 1500	Pickup Truck
Unit 82 2023 Toyota Tacoma	Pickup Truck
Unit 83 2023 Toyota Tacoma	Pickup Truck
Unit 84 2023 Toyota Tacoma	Pickup Truck
Unit 85 2023 Toyota Tacoma	Pickup Truck
Unit 86 2023 Ford F-350	Pickup Truck
Unit 87 2023 Ford F-350	Pickup Truck
Unit 88 2024 Toyota Rav4	Automobile
Unit 89 2024 Toyota Rav4	Automobile
Unit 90 2024 Ford F-350	Pickup Truck
Unit 92 2024 Ford F-150	Pickup Truck
Unit 93 2024 Toyota Tacoma	Pickup Truck
Unit 94 2024 Toyota Tacoma	Pickup Truck
Unit 97 2026 Ford F-650 Flatbed Dump Truck	Pickup Truck
Unit 103 2025 Ford F-150 Lightning Pro	Pickup Truck-Electric
Light equipment	
Unit 102 Genie GS 1930 Scissor Lift	Lift
Unit 70 2016 Cat Forklift	Forklift
Unit 58 2014 Polaris Ranger EV- Maintenance	Utility Vehicle
Unit 59 2014 Polaris Ranger EV- Maintenance	Utility Vehicle
Unit 62 2014 Polaris Ranger EV- Water Supply	Utility Vehicle
Unit 99 2025 Kubota RTVX2 UTV	Utility Vehicle
Unit 100 2025 Kubota RTVX2 UTV	Utility Vehicle
Unit 101 2025 Kubota RTVX2 UTV	Utility Vehicle
Heavy equipment	
Unit 29 Caterpillar Backhoe	Heavy Equip.
Unit 38 John Deere 6420 Tractor	Tractor
Unit 41 Case Tractor 570mxt Turbo	Tractor
Unit 52 Kubota Tractor	Tractor
Unit 53 2011 Kenworth T300 Dump Truck (dsl)	Heavy Truck
Unit 56 2010 Ford F450 Truck	Heavy Truck
Unit 73 2018 Caterpillar Backhoe	Heavy Equip.
Unit 77 2022 CAT Long Reach Excavator	Heavy Equip.
Unit 95 Manitex 26 Ton Crane Truck	Heavy Truck
Unit 96 2024 F-550 Crew Cab Diesel w.12ft scelzi	Heavy Truck
Unit 98 2025 325 Blade Excavator	Heavy Equip.
Accessories	
Dive Boat	Accessory
Boat Trailer	Trailer
Allis-Chalmers Disc	Accessory
Pak Flail Mower (orange)	Accessory
Alamo Articulate Mower Attachment	Accessory
Landpride RCR2596 Rotary Mower	Accessory
Unit 30 Big Tex Equipment Trailer /25,900gvwr	Trailer
Unit 34 2000 Cartaway Tank Trailer /6000gvw	Trailer
Unit 43 2007 Wells Cargo Trailer Model TW122	Trailer
Unit 44 1996 Genie Lift TZ-34/20 Knuckleboom	Trailer
Unit 50 6 Diesel Pump	Trailer
Unit 51 12 Diesel Pump	Trailer
Unit 68 2015 Utility Trailer	Trailer
Unit 71 2017 Utility Landscaping Trailer	Trailer
Unit 72 2002 Utility Trailer	Trailer
Unit 91 2024 Kauffman Equipment Trailer	Trailer
Spray Rig 03	Trailer
Spray Rig 05	Trailer

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**STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT
INVOICES FOR BOARD PACKAGE
CALPERS EFT REQUEST
May 12, 2026**

Vendor name	District Fund#	Account #	Description	Amount	Invoice No.
1 CA Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)	70	10-5049-0	Retirement Contributions for Payroll 05/08/26-Admin	8,501.40	05/08/26 1245106351
			Total Fund 70 Admin	\$ 8,501.40	
2 CA Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)	71	10-5049-0	Retirement Contributions for Payroll 05/08/26-WS-NM	7,004.80	05/08/26 1245106351
3 CA Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)	71	10-5058-0	Retirement Contributions for Payroll 05/08/26-WS-NH	2,303.43	05/08/26 1245106351
			Total Fund 71 Water Supply	\$ 9,308.23	
4 CA Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)	94	10-5049-0	Retirement Contributions for Payroll 05/08/26-M&I	23,906.19	05/08/26 1245106351
			Total Fund 94 Municipal & Industrial	\$ 23,906.19	
Grand Total for Electronic Funds Transfer Request on RBM 05/12/26				\$ 41,715.82	

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DATE: May 12, 2026

AGENDA ITEM NO. B-4

TITLE: Bellota Weir Modifications Project PLC-SCADA System Integration Services

SUBJECT: Consider Approval of Professional Services Agreement for PLC-SCADA Integration Services for the Bellota Weir Modifications Project

Executive Summary

Stockton East Water District (District) is advancing the Bellota Weir Modifications Project (Project), which includes installation of a modern fish screen facility and associated infrastructure improvements. As part of the Project, a Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system and Programmable Logic Controller (PLC) integration is required to automate, monitor, and control project operations.

Control Point Engineering, Inc. has submitted a proposal to provide PLC-SCADA System Integration Services for the Project in the amount of \$943,760. Their scope includes programming, system configuration, testing, commissioning, and training to ensure full operational functionality of the automated systems.

District Staff recommends the Board of Directors authorize the General Manager to approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Control Point Engineering, Inc. for PLC-SCADA Integration Services for \$943,760, plus a 10% contingency of \$94,376, for a total authorization of \$1,038,136, and to make all necessary approvals to proceed with project implementation.

Background

The Bellota Weir Modifications Project is a key component of the District's compliance with the Calaveras River Habitat Conservation Plan (CHCP) and broader Calaveras River Anadromous Fish Protection Program. The Project includes upgrades to diversion infrastructure, fish passage facilities, and intake systems.

A critical component of the Project is the implementation of a modern automation and control system. The PLC-SCADA system will:

- Monitor and control fish screen operations
- Integrate multiple subsystems (weir gates, flow measurement and control, fish screen, debris rack, fish monitoring system)
- Provide real-time system data and alarms
- Improve operational efficiency and reliability
- Support regulatory compliance and reporting

To support this effort, the District solicited a proposal from Control Point Engineering, Inc., a firm experienced in the District's facilities and water infrastructure automation and SCADA integration.

Summary

The PLC-SCADA system is a critical component of the Bellota Fish Screen Project, enabling automated control, monitoring, and long-term operational reliability. Control Point Engineering, Inc. provides the necessary expertise to successfully implement this system.

Control Point Engineering, Inc. will provide comprehensive PLC-SCADA integration services, including:

- Project Management & Coordination
- Process Control Strategy Development
- PLC Programming for approximately 400 I/O points
- SCADA Application Development using Ignition® platform
- SCADA Hardware Configuration (servers, nodes, network equipment)
- Radio/Fiber Communication Coordination & Testing
- Software Testing & Validation
- System Commissioning & Startup Support
- Operator Training

The system will integrate multiple components including:

Flow Control System

- Adjustable Weir System
- Fish Screen System
- Debris Rack System
- Fish Monitoring System

The work will be performed in coordination with the construction contractor, design engineers, and District staff.

Approval of this agreement will allow the District to proceed with detailed system development, coordination with the construction contractor, and timely delivery of the automation system in alignment with the overall project schedule.

Financial Impact

The total cost for PLC-SCADA Integration Services is \$943,760 plus a 10% contingency of \$94,376, for a total authorization of \$1,038,136

This cost includes all labor, coordination, programming, testing, commissioning, and training required to deliver a fully functional automation system.

The cost will be funded as part of the overall Bellota Weir Modifications Project budget. Sufficient funds are available within the Project budget, which includes allocations for instrumentation and control systems.

The Project had an initial total estimated cost/budget (including hard and soft costs) of \$80.3 million which is now not expected to exceed \$73.4 million after construction contract award. The District received a \$12.3M grant from the California Department of Water Resources. The District has an existing reserve amount for the Project and the rest will be covered by loans and additional private funding as required if no other grants are received.

The District is expected to receive State Revolving Fund (SRF) and Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) loans in the next few months.

Recommendation

District Staff recommends the Board of Directors authorize the General Manager to approve a Professional Services Agreement with Control Point Engineering, Inc. for PLC-SCADA Integration Services for the Bellota Weir Modifications Project in an amount of \$943,760; plus a 10% contingency of \$94,376, for a total authorization of \$1,038,136, and to make all necessary approvals to proceed with project implementation.

Staff Responsible for Report

Manuel Verduzco
Manuel Verduzco, Senior Engineer

Date: 05/12/26

Darrel Evensen
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Date: 05/12/26

Juan M. Vega
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Attachments

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DATE: May 12, 2026

AGENDA ITEM NO. B-5

TITLE: WTP & Water Supply (WS) FY26/27 SCADA Support Services**SUBJECT: Consider Approving a Professional Services Agreement – WTP & WS
FY 26/27 SCADA Support Services with Control Point Engineering**

Executive Summary

Stockton East Water District (District) continues to advance its Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system to improve operational efficiency, reliability, and regulatory compliance. The proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2026/2027 SCADA Support Services expands on prior phases by enhancing Water Treatment Plant (WTP) reporting capabilities, integrating Water Supply (WS) facilities, and implementing targeted infrastructure improvements.

The proposed scope includes project management, historian reporting enhancements, SCADA application development and support, Water Supply system integration, procurement of SCADA materials for existing trash rack sites, and communication tower network panel improvements.

Staff identified Control Point Engineering, Inc. as the most favorable consultant since Control Point Engineering, Inc. has completed the multi-year SCADA Implementation project, has a good working relationship with District staff, and a reasonable price. Considering the aforementioned, staff proposes to sole source the engineering services to ControlPoint Engineering, Inc., as allowed by the District's Purchasing Policy.

District Staff recommends the Board of Directors authorize the General Manager to approve a Professional Services Agreement with Control Point Engineering, Inc. to provide WTP and WS SCADA Support Services in the amount of \$177,440 plus a 4% contingency of \$7,098 for a total of \$184,538 and make all other necessary approvals.

Background

The District initiated its SCADA modernization efforts as part of its long-term strategy to upgrade aging infrastructure and improve system monitoring and control. Since implementation began, the SCADA system has been expanded in phases to include treatment processes, pumping facilities, and reporting tools.

Recent phases have focused on compliance reporting, process automation, and system standardization across the WTP. As the system matures, continued enhancements are required to expand integration into Water Supply facilities and further develop reporting and operational tools.

The FY 2026/2027 SCADA Support Services represent the next step in optimizing system performance and extending SCADA capabilities to additional District assets.

Water Treatment Plant Support Services include:

1. Historian Reporting - Further development and refinement of compliance reporting within the WTP SCADA system to enhance regulatory tracking and data accessibility.

2. SCADA Application Development and Support - Modifications and improvements to the existing SCADA system, including PLC programming updates, application enhancements, and technical support as directed by the District.
3. WTP Communication Tower Improvement - Upgrades to the WTP communication tower network panel, including power distribution improvements, network hardware installation, labeling, and system integration.

Water Supply Support Services include:

1. Water Supply System Integration - Integration of Water Supply facilities into the SCADA system, including programming, system startup, and operational support.
2. Trash Rack SCADA Materials - Procurement of materials necessary to support SCADA integration for existing trash rack sites.

Summary

The WTP and WS FY 2026/2027 SCADA Support Services continue the District's investment in modernizing its monitoring and control systems. Enhancements to reporting, system integration, and infrastructure will improve operational efficiency, data reliability, and regulatory compliance.

Control Point Engineering, Inc. is uniquely qualified to perform this work due to its extensive experience with the District's SCADA system and prior successful project delivery. Sole sourcing this agreement ensures continuity and efficiency in implementation.

Financial Impact

The District's Board of Directors' (Board) approved Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-2027 Budget includes \$185,000 for continued WTP and WS SCADA support services.

Control Point's proposal to provide WTP and WS SCADA support services in the amount of \$177,440 fits within the approved budget of \$185,000. To maximize available funds and cover minor potential overruns a contingency of 4% is optimal in this case. The District has sufficient funds within the fiscal year 2026-2027 budgets to cover all costs associated with the proposal and contingency.

Staff Recommendation

District Staff recommends the Board of Directors authorize the General Manager to approve a Professional Services Agreement with Control Point Engineering, Inc. to provide WTP and WS SCADA Support Services in the amount of \$177,440 plus a 4% contingency of \$7,098 for a total of \$184,538 and make all other necessary approvals.

Staff Responsible for Report

Manuel Verduzco
Manuel Verduzco, Senior Engineer

Date: 05/12/26

Darrel Evensen
Darrel Evensen, District Engineer

Date: 05/12/26

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Juan Vega, Assistant General Manager

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DATE: May 12, 2026

AGENDA ITEM NO. B-6

TITLE: Stanislaus and Calaveras Rivers Watersheds Sanitary Surveys

SUBJECT: Consider Approving a Professional Services Agreement for Watershed Sanitary Surveys for Calaveras and Stanislaus Rivers

Executive Summary

State regulations under the Safe Drinking Water Act require the District to complete Watershed Sanitary Surveys (WSSs) every five years to assess potential sources of contamination and evaluate treatment plant vulnerability. The Stockton East Water District's (District) most recent surveys for the Stanislaus and Calaveras River watersheds were completed in 2021, and updated surveys are required in 2026.

To meet this requirement, the District coordinated with regional partners through the Stanislaus/Calaveras River Group (SCRG) to jointly procure consulting services and share costs. A single proposal was received from Hazen and Sawyer, a qualified firm with prior experience completing the District's WSSs. The proposed contract amount is **\$187,060**, with a **10% contingency**, for a total of **\$205,766**. SCRG partners reviewed the proposal and expressed no opposition.

The District will serve as lead agency, administer the professional services agreement, and facilitate cost sharing among partners. Based on the agreed allocation, the District's share is approximately **45%** (not to exceed **\$92,595** after reimbursements). The approved FY budget of **\$250,000** is sufficient to cover the total project cost.

Staff respectfully recommend the Board of Directors (Board) authorize the General Manager to execute a Cost Sharing Agreement with the SCRG partners and a Professional Services Agreement with Hazen Sawyer for an amount of **\$187,060**, plus a **10%** contingency of **\$18,706**, for a total of **\$205,766**, and make all other necessary approvals.

Background

One of the water quality protection requirements in Safe Drinking Water Act's regulations is conducting a watershed sanitary survey every five years regardless of a water system's size. WSSs investigate contaminants and contaminating activities in the watershed to evaluate a treatment plant's vulnerability to source water contamination. The last WSSs were completed in 2021 and updated WSSs for the Stanislaus and Calaveras Rivers are due in 2026.

The District's approved surface water sources are the Calaveras River and the Stanislaus River, and therefore, is required to conduct WSSs for both rivers' watersheds. The District partners with upstream surface water treatment plants/systems in both watersheds to cost share and maximize the benefit of the study. The partnership, called the Stanislaus/Calaveras River Group (SCRG) includes: Calaveras County Water District

(CCWD), California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection (CDFFP), City of Angels Camp (COAC), Knights Ferry Community Service District (KFCSD), Pinecrest Permittees Association (PPA), Sierra Conservation Center (SCC), South San Joaquin Irrigation District (SSJID), Tuolumne Utilities District (TUD), and Union Public Utility District (UPUD). The cost split loosely based on previous WSSs and population served by each agency with the District and SSJID bearing the largest percentages.

Summary

District staff went out to bid for proposals to perform the 2026 WSSs updates. The bids were due on March 20, 2026, and only one proposal was received from Hazen and Sawyer (Hazen) which acquired the firm that previously performed the WSSs for the District. Hazen is very experienced at completing WSSs in general. For this work, Hazen’s proposed cost is \$187,060. A copy of the proposal was shared with SCRG partners with no opposition from the group in proceeding with the consultant. The estimated cost sharing is shown in **Table 1 with a 10% contingency built in.**

The District will act as the lead agency for the WSSs update and maintain the Professional Services Agreement with Hazen. To facilitate the cost sharing amongst the SCRG members, staff will bring a Cost Sharing Agreement back to the Board for approval, as will each of the other SCRG members.

Agency	Percentage	Cost
Stockton East Water District	45%	\$ 92,594.70
South San Joaquin Irrigation District	30%	\$ 61,729.80
Calaveras County Water District	10%	\$ 20,576.60
Tuolumne Utilities District	10%	\$ 20,576.60
CalFire Base Camp	1%	\$ 2,057.66
City of Angels Camp	1%	\$ 2,057.66
Knights Ferry Community Services District	1%	\$ 2,057.66
Pinecrest Permittees Association	1%	\$ 2,057.66
Union Public Utility District	1%	\$ 2,057.66
Total		\$ 205,766.00

Table1. Cost share of each agency including 10% contingency

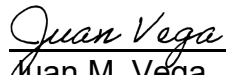
Financial Impact

The District's Board approved budget for fiscal year 2026-2027 includes \$250,000 for the WSSs and should be sufficient to cover the cost of the work **\$187,060** plus a 10% contingency of **\$18,706**. After reimbursements from other agencies are received, the District's maximum share expended for this work will not exceed **\$92,595**.

Staff Recommendation

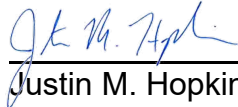
Staff respectfully recommend the Board authorize the General Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Hazen Sawyer for an amount of **\$187,060**, plus a **10%** contingency of **\$18,706**, for a total of **\$205,766**, and make all other necessary approvals.

Staff Responsible for Report



Juan M. Vega, Assistant General Manager

Date: 05/12/26



Justin M. Hopkins, General Manager

Date: 05/12/26

Attachments

1. Cost Sharing Agreement

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**COST SHARING AGREEMENT
REGARDING CONTRACTING AND APPORTIONMENT OF COSTS FOR
CALAVERAS RIVER AND STANISLAUS RIVER
WATERSHED SANITARY SURVEY UPDATE**

The COST SHARING AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 2026 by and between STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT, a political subdivision of the State of California (“SEWD”); CALAVERAS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT, a California county water district (“CCWD”); California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection (“CDFFP”); CITY OF ANGLES CAMP, a municipal corporation (“COAC”); KNIGHTS FERRY COMMUNITY SERVICE DISTRICT, a California community service district (“KFCSD”); PINECREST PERMITTEES ASSOCIATION, a non-profit utility corporation (“PPA”); SIERRA CONSERVATION CAMP, a California State Prison at Jamestown, (“SCC”); SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT, California irrigation district (“SSJID”); TUOLUMNE UTILITIES DISTRICT, a California county water district (“TUD”); and UNION PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT, a special district under the law of the State of California (“UPUD”), collectively referred to herein as the “Parties” and each individually as a “Party”.

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to obtain drinking water from the Calaveras and Stanislaus Rivers, and California law requires a watershed sanitary survey be performed on drinking water supplies (“Survey”);

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of SEWD approved accepting a proposal from Hazen and Sawyer, a California corporation (“Consultant”), in the amount of \$187,060 with an 10% Contingency (\$18,706), to perform the Survey; and

WHEREAS, the Survey will benefit all the Parties and therefore the Parties wish to share the costs of the survey as stated herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. Survey. SEWD shall be responsible for contracting for and administering a contract and compensation to the Consultant for the Survey. SEWD shall monitor the progress of the Survey and shall ensure the Consultant provides a final draft of the Survey satisfactory to all the Parties on or before June 30th, 2026.

2. Technical Advisory Group (“TAG”). Each Party shall designate a representative to serve on the technical advisory group, and the TAG shall monitor and review the progress of the work undertaken by Consultant to ensure the work is completed in a thorough and timely fashion. The TAG shall have the final authority to direct the Consultant, and such direction shall be implemented by the Consultant and SEWD pursuant to Section 1 above. The representatives on the TAG shall periodically report back to each of their respective

Boards/Agencies. The TAG shall meet informally with the Consultant at a location, time and date determined by the TAG, as required during the course of this work.

3. Reimbursement. SEWD shall deliver the Final report to the other Parties upon completion. Upon receipt of the Final report by each Party, SEWD shall be reimbursed by the respective Parties as follows:

3.A. CCWD shall reimburse SEWD ten percent (10%) of the cost for the Survey in an amount not to exceed \$14,550.59, for portions of the Survey related to the Calaveras River and \$6,026.01, for portions of the Survey related to the Stanislaus River, for a total reimbursement to SEWD not to exceed \$20,576.50 (10% of total proposal amount including approved contingency).

3.B. CDFFP shall reimburse SEWD one percent (1%) of the cost paid by SEWD for the Survey in an amount not to exceed \$2,057.66 for portions of the Survey related to the Stanislaus River, for a total reimbursement to SEWD not to exceed \$2,057.66 (1% of total proposal amount including approved contingency).

3.C. COAC shall reimburse SEWD one percent (1%) of the cost paid by SEWD for the Survey in an amount not to exceed \$2,057.66, for portions of the Survey related to the Stanislaus River, for a total reimbursement to SEWD not to exceed \$2,057.66 (1% of total proposal amount including approved contingency).

3.D. KFCSD shall reimburse SEWD one percent (1%) of the cost paid by SEWD for the Survey in an amount not to exceed \$2,057.66, for portions of the Survey related to the Stanislaus River, for a total reimbursement to SEWD not to exceed \$2,057.66 (1% of total proposal amount including approved contingency).

3.E. PPA shall reimburse SEWD one percent (1%) of the cost paid by SEWD for the Survey in an amount not to exceed \$2,057.66, for portions of the Survey related to the Stanislaus River, for a total reimbursement to SEWD not to exceed \$2,057.66 (1% of total proposal amount including approved contingency).

3.F. SCC shall reimburse SEWD one percent (1%) of the cost paid by SEWD for the Survey in an amount not to exceed \$2,057.66, for portions of the Survey related to the Stanislaus River, for a total reimbursement to SEWD not to exceed \$2,057.66, (1% of total proposal amount including approved contingency).

3.G. SSJID shall reimburse SEWD thirty percent (30%) of the cost paid by SEWD for the Survey in an amount not to exceed \$39,083.28, for portions of the Survey related to the Stanislaus River and not to exceed up to \$22,646.52 for Woodward Reservoir portion of the Survey, for a total reimbursement to SEWD not to exceed \$61,729.80 (30% of total proposal including approved contingency).

3.H. TUD shall reimburse SEWD ten percent (10%) of the cost paid by SEWD for the Survey in an amount not to exceed \$20,576.50, for portions of the Survey related to the Stanislaus River, for a total reimbursement to SEWD not to exceed \$25,576.50, (10% of total proposal including approved contingency).

3.I. UPUD shall reimburse SEWD one percent (1%) of the cost paid by SEWD for the Survey in an amount not to exceed \$2,057.66, for portions of the Survey related to the Stanislaus River, for a total reimbursement to SEWD not to exceed \$2,057.66, (1% of total proposal including approved contingency).

3.J. *Total Cost and Contingency.* The total cost of the Survey shall be based on the executed agreement between SEWD and the Consultant, including any approved amendments. In addition to the base proposal amount, a contingency amount may be authorized by SEWD to address unforeseen conditions, scope modifications, or additional work as directed by the Technical Advisory Group (TAG). Each Party agrees that its proportional share, as identified in Section 3, shall apply to the total actual cost of the Survey, including any approved contingency expenditures. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each Party's reimbursement obligation shall not exceed its proportional share of a total not-to-exceed amount equal to the Consultant's contract amount plus an authorized contingency of \$18,706 (or 10%) unless agreed in writing by the Party. Any use of contingency funds shall be documented and subject to review by the TAG.

4. Reimbursement Procedure. SEWD shall deliver an invoice to the respective Parties for the sums to be paid pursuant to Section 3. The invoice shall be due and payable within thirty (30) days of receipt.

5. Notice. Notice of any matter, including reimbursement invoices shall be deemed to have been given if delivered personally to the other Party; or if deposited in the United States mail with first class postage affixed, then notice is deemed to have been given seventy-two (72) hours after deposit. Notice shall be sent to the Parties at the following addresses:

“SEWD” Justin M. Hopkins, General Manager
Stockton East Water District
P.O. Box 5157
Stockton, CA 95205-0157

“CCWD” Michael Minkler, General Manager
Calaveras County Water District
120 Toma Court
San Andres, CA 95249

“CDFFP” Nick Casci, Unit Chief
California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection

Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit
785 Mountain Ranch Rd.
San Andreas, CA 95249

- “COAC” Chris O’Flinn
Public Works Superintendent
P.O. Box 667
Angels Camp, CA 95222
- “KFCSD” Nancy Patton, Board Member
Knights Ferry Community Service District
P.O. Box 817
Knights Ferry, CA 95361
- “PPA” Brian Barclay, General Manager
Pinecrest Permittees Association
P.O. Box 1248
Pinecrest, CA 95364
- “SCC” Joe Borla, Correctional Plant Manager
Business Services
Sierra Conservation Center
5100 O’Byrnes Ferry Road
Jamestown, CA 95327
- “SSJID” Peter Rietkerk, General Manager
South San Joaquin Irrigation District
P.O. Box 747
Ripon, CA 95366
- “TUD” Don Perkins, General Manager
Tuolumne Utilities District
18885 Nugget Blvd
Sonora, CA 95370
- “UPUD” Eric Bottomley, President
c/o Gary Ghio
Weber, Ghio & Associates
P.O. Box 251
San Andres, CA 95249

6. Entire Agreement. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the Parties relating to the matters covered herein. Any oral representations or modifications

concerning subsequent modifications shall be made in writing and signed by the respective Parties.

7. Attorneys' Fees. In the event of any controversy, claim, or dispute relating to this Agreement or the breach thereof, the prevailing Party shall be entitled to recover from the losing Party reasonable expenses, attorneys' fees, and costs.

8. Binding Effect. This Agreement shall be binding on and shall insure the benefit of the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns of the Parties to the Agreement.

9. Termination of Agreement. This Agreement shall terminate upon delivery of the Final Report to and payment of reimbursement by the respective Parties, or December 2026, whichever is later.

STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT (SEWD)
a special district under the law of the State of California

By: **Draft**
Thomas McGurk, President

Date: _____

ATTEST:

By: **Draft**
Justin M. Hopkins, General Manager

Date: _____

CALAVERAS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT (CCWD)
a California county water district

By: Draft
Michael Minkler, General Manager

Date: _____

ATTEST:

By: Draft
Rebecca Hitchcock, Clerk of the Board

Date: _____

California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection (CDFFP)

By: **Draft**

Nick Casci, Unit Chief

Date: _____

KNIGHTS FERRY COMMUNITY SERVICE DISTRICT (KFCSD)
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By: **Draft**

Nancy Patton, Board Member

Date: _____

PINECREST PERMITTEES ASSOCIATION (PPA)

By: Draft
Brian Barclay, General Manager

Date: _____

SIERRA CONSERVATION CAMP (SCC)
a California State Prison at Jamestown

By: **Draft**

Joe Borla, Correctional Plant Manager

Date: _____

SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT (SSJID)
a special district under the law of the State of California

By: Draft
Glenn Spyksma, President

Date: _____

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Peter Rietkerk, General Manager

Date: _____

TOULUMNE UTILITIES DISTRICT (TUD)
a special district under the law of the State of California

By: **Draft**

Don Perkins, General Manager

Date: _____

ATTEST:

By: **Draft**

Melissa McMullen
Executive Secretary/Board Clerk

Date: _____

UNION PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT (UPUD)
a special district under the law of the State of California

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Jessica Self, General Manager

Date: _____

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Joe Darby, Operations Manager

Date: _____

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DATE: May 12, 2026**AGENDA ITEM NO. D-1**

TITLE: Old Calaveras River and Stockton Diverting Canal Confluence Fish Barrier Requirement**SUBJECT: Consideration of Direction to Engage NOAA Fisheries to Remove Habitat Conservation Plan Requirement for Fish Exclusion Structure**

Executive Summary

At the February 18, 2026 Board of Directors (Board) meeting, staff presented a proposal to advance design of a fish exclusion structure at the confluence of the Old Calaveras River (OCR) and Stockton Diverting Canal (SDC) to comply with the Calaveras River Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP). The Board directed staff to further evaluate the necessity of the structure. Based on subsequent analysis by the District's fisheries consultant, FishBio, staff now recommends that the Board direct staff to engage the National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA Fisheries) to seek removal of the HCP requirement for construction of the fish exclusion structure.

Background

The HCP requires construction of a non-entraining barrier at the downstream end of the Old Calaveras River near its confluence with the Stockton Diverting Canal within the first ten years of implementation (by 2030). The purpose of the barrier is to prevent adult salmonids from entering the OCR, where habitat conditions and infrastructure could result in migration delays or stranding.

At the February 18, 2026 Board meeting, staff recommended initiating design services for the barrier. During discussion, the Board directed staff to further investigate whether construction of the structure is necessary and justified based on current conditions. In response, staff engaged FishBio to conduct a technical review of the HCP requirement and provide recommendations regarding the necessity of the barrier.

Summary

FishBio's memorandum concludes that while a downstream fish barrier may provide some theoretical benefit, the requirement is not justified when considering current conditions, environmental impacts, and cost. Key findings include:

1. **Limited Biological Justification**
Historical data indicates very low occurrence of adult salmonids in the OCR, with only one adult observed since 2021 and none in recent years for Chinook salmon. The OCR functions as a secondary and impaired migratory pathway, with limited connectivity and poor habitat conditions.
2. **Changes in Operations Reduce Risk**
Modified flashboard dam removal procedures have significantly reduced the risk of fish stranding. Planned pulse flow operations and ongoing fish passage improvements further reduce the likelihood of fish entering the OCR.
3. **Physical and Hydraulic Constraints**
The confluence area presents significant design challenges, including variable flows, debris loading, and a trapezoidal channel configuration. Effective barrier construction

would be difficult and potentially unreliable under varying hydrologic conditions.

4. Environmental and Regulatory Impacts

Construction would require extensive permitting and coordination with multiple agencies, including NOAA Fisheries, USACE, and the Central Valley Flood Protection Board. Installation could introduce flood risk concerns and environmental disturbance.

5. Cost vs. Benefit

The anticipated cost of designing and constructing a compliant structure is significant and disproportionate to the limited ecological benefit.

FishBio concludes that removal of the downstream barrier requirement is justified based on these factors.

Financial Impact


By pursuing removal of the HCP requirement, the District may avoid substantial future costs associated with design, permitting, and construction of a fish exclusion structure. Previous conceptual evaluations indicated potential project costs in the millions of dollars, depending on the selected design approach. Costs associated with engaging NOAA Fisheries and supporting technical justification are expected to be minimal and can be accommodated within existing budgets.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors:

1. Direct staff to engage the National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA Fisheries) to initiate discussions regarding removal or modification of the HCP requirement for construction of a fish exclusion structure at the OCR/SDC confluence; and
2. Authorize staff to prepare and submit the necessary technical documentation, including the FishBio memorandum, to support this request.

Staff Responsible for Report



Justin M. Hopkins, General Manager

Date: 05/12/26

Attachments

1. FishBio Memorandum – Review of Old Calaveras River Downstream Barrier Requirement



Review of Old Calaveras River Downstream Barrier Requirement April 21, 2026

FISHBIO has prepared this memo at the request of Justin Hopkins, which reviews the CHCP requirement for construction of a non-entraining barrier at the downstream end of the Old Calaveras River, the information that served as the basis of the requirement and provides justification to potentially petition NOAA Fisheries for removal of the requirement.

The CHCP Requirement and Rationale

The need for the downstream barrier is discussed in relation to Operation and Maintenance (OM) Activity 2 - *SEWD Old Calaveras River Headworks Facility Operations*. The downstream barrier is included in the Biological Objective Fish Passage 1 (FP1) and Avoid/Minimize Fish Entrainment 1 (AE1): *Avoid migration delays and blockage within the Old Calaveras River Channel by constructing a non-entraining barrier at the Old Calaveras River Headworks Facility and at the downstream end of the channel near the confluence with the SDC within the first ten years of the ITP*. Therefore, the CHCP explicitly requires the construction of a downstream barrier as a component of the Conservation Measures for Operation of the Old Calaveras Headworks Facility.

Discussion of the downstream barrier is also included in *Chapter 7.2 Conservation Strategies for SEWD Old Calaveras River Headworks Facility Operations* (pg. 98, CHCP) which provides a discussion regarding the rationale for implementation. Briefly, exclusion from this pathway was an action identified due to acknowledgment of the Old Calaveras as a secondary migratory path with poor habitat and significant passage impairment by irrigation infrastructure, specifically the flashboard dams and Old Calaveras Headworks. Importantly, there is no analysis of the ability of adult salmonids to enter the channel from its confluence with Mormon Slough/Stockton Diverting Canal. However, it does conclude its rationale stating:

... adult salmonids that are inadvertently attracted into the Old Calaveras River by flows resulting from Headworks Facility operations may experience migration delays or stranding at the numerous instream structures within the channel. Therefore, a non-entraining upstream passage barrier will be installed at the downstream end of the channel near the confluence with the SDC to prevent adults from inadvertently entering the channel during the few occasions when there is connectivity with the SDC.

Adult salmonids have been documented in low numbers in the Old Calaveras River (OCR) historically, but none have been observed in recent years. This likely reflects both the few occasions when there is connectivity with the Diverting Canal and more importantly a change in flashboard dam removal procedures. Sometime after the last observed presence of adult salmonids in the Old Calaveras River in winter 2004/05, SEWD began removing the flashboard dams in downstream order starting with the upstream most dam. This reduced the probability of stranding as impounded water flowed downstream to the next impoundment and reduced pulses of water released from downstream dams that could attract fish into the Old Calaveras River.

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Justification to Petition Removal of the Requirement

There are several reasons to question the need for the downstream barrier requirement of the CHCP including information from the CHCP itself; changes in flashboard dam removal operations; newly proposed pulse flows; and risk vs potential ecological benefit.

Information from the CHCP

The CHCP did not analyze the ability of adult salmonids to enter the OCR. Instead, the CHCP provided a review of observations of adult salmonids in the OCR and presumably concluded a need for a downstream barrier because adults had been observed. However, the frequency of occurrence of adult salmonids in the OCR during 1972-2015 may not have been adequately considered.

Table 4 of the CHCP (pgs. 31-37) presents the salmonid observation data that was available for the lower Calaveras River from New Hogan Dam to the mouth (1972-2015) at the time of development of the CHCP. Notably, prior to the development of the CHCP, data regarding the status of Calaveras River fisheries was limited and many of the location descriptions were vague; discussing locations in a broad manner. Historically, most of the survey data comes from immediately below New Hogan Dam, in the vicinity of Bellota, or from the Diverting Canal. When reviewing observations from the OCR only, available data becomes limited to stranding surveys conducted between 2002-2005. The total number of adult *O. mykiss* observed during this timeframe was 26 (3 in fall 2003, 3 on 11/7/03, and 20 in fall of 2004). Total adult Chinook salmon during the same time frame was 42 (15 in winter 02/03, 10 in winter 03/04, and 17 in winter 04/05). Since implementation of the CHCP, FISHBIO has been conducting stranding surveys during annual removal of the eight flashboard dams in the OCR to rescue fish that may have been stranded as the water recedes when the irrigation season ends. While both juvenile Chinook salmon and *O. mykiss* have been observed during these surveys, only one adult *O. mykiss* has been observed in the OCR since 2021 (FL – 388mm; 10/15/2021) and zero adult Chinook salmon. Notably, this fish was likely entrained from upstream given its size (<16”) and location of observation being upstream of multiple flashboard dams.

To provide additional context, 483 total adult Chinook salmon and 27 adult *O. mykiss* have been observed passing into the Conservation Area above Bellota (since implementation of the CHCP (excluding 2023 when monitoring was precluded by flood flows). Total annual average passage of adult Chinook salmon is 120 individuals and ranged from zero observed in WY 2021 and a max of 312 in WY 2024. The absence of passages in 2021 also provides further evidence that the single adult *O. mykiss* observed in the OCR since implementation of the CHCP was likely entrained from upstream. Entrainment from upstream will be eliminated by the new construction at Bellota.

We also reviewed flows and passage impairment information from the OCR which may not have been adequately considered during development of the CHCP. Passability is a function of both flow and structure. As noted earlier in this memo, the CHCP expected a downstream barrier to prevent inadvertent straying to the OCR “*during the few occasions when there is connectivity with the SDC*”. This lack of connectivity is reflected in routine drying observed at the Tully (RM 12.2) and Solari Ranch Road (RM 3.8) thermograph sites during the non-irrigation season.

Further, as indicated in the Department of Water Resources (DWR) Calaveras Fish Passage Barriers Assessment (2007), there are two limiting structures downstream of the most downstream flashboard dam (McAllen). As part of the assessment, DWR completed a hydraulic analysis on one of these structures, Gotelli Low-flow Crossing (RM 6.2; Figure 1) and found unimpeded passage requires flows above 35 cfs (pg. D-144, DWR 2007).

While discharge data for the lower OCR is limited, internal discussions with SEWD staff have indicated that discharge meeting or exceeding 35 cfs past McAllen Dam is rare and would only been seen during extreme events (C. Donis, personal communication, April 15, 2026). Additionally, flows from Mormon Slough, particularly during the peak salmonid migration period between November and March, are orders of magnitude higher than those from the OCR leading to limited potential for salmonids to stray from their primary migratory corridor.



Figure 1. Old Calaveras downstream of Gotelli Low-flow Road Crossing. Photo from DWR 2007.

Change in operations may have reduced or eliminated adults entering the OCR

The SEWD irrigation season generally runs between April 15 and October 15 depending on weather conditions. While irrigation season is ongoing, the flashboard dams installed to facilitate diversions effectively prevent adult migration into the OCR as the first dam, McAllen, is installed within less than one mile from the confluence with the Diverting Canal.

As discussed above, prior to 2004, flashboard dams may have been removed in random order, which typically resulted in several isolated pools forming within the OCR where stranding could occur. Since 2004, the potential for stranding and associated mortality has been reduced by a revised flashboard dam removal procedure which minimizes the formation of multiple isolated pools. As per the CHCP, dams are to be removed beginning upstream at the head of each channel and continuing in sequential order downstream in a fashion that will allow water and any salmonids present to travel downstream over a two-to-three-day period (pg. 106). This sequential removal process allows any salmonids encountered within the OCR channel to voluntarily travel downstream as water recedes, eliminate or reduce the incidence of salmonid stranding, and reduce the need to relocate fish. As discussed above, FISHBIO also monitors the pools as waters recede, samples the pool in the immediate area of the flashboard dam, and rescues and relocates any salmonids encountered.

New pulse flow may further reduce chance of straying from migration corridor

Concurrently, SEWD staff, counsel, and their consultants (FISHBIO and Zanjero) continue to develop a Local Cooperative Solution (LCS) in lieu of a Voluntary Agreement to satisfy the State Water Resources Control Board and the California Natural Resources Agency's Healthy Rivers and Landscapes Program. A component of this LCS includes guaranteed annual flow contributions for fisheries uses like pulse flows. Annual flow contributions will be determined based on end of September reservoir storage and are generally intended to be used for pulse flows during the fall adult migration period. The utilization and appropriate timing of an annual pulse flow can be used to help reduce the potential risk of adult salmonids straying into OCR.

Notably, while developing the CHCP, as described in Chapter 10.3 (Alternative 3: Artificial adult *O. mykiss* and Chinook migration flows), the provision of annual pulse flows during October and November was considered a No Action Alternative to the CHCP (pgs. 147-150). This No Action Alternative would rely on pulse flows only to reduce potential straying into the OCR and did not account for the ongoing work conducted by SEWD as agreed to in the CHCP (e.g., fish passage improvements, minimum flow guarantee within Conservation Area, etc.). When paired with the improvements made to the Bellota Weir and other fish passage improvements, these new pulse flows will significantly reduce the potential impacts if adults were to stray into the OCR.

Risks and costs outweigh ecological justification

During initial discussions regarding potential designs for the downstream barrier, several concerns were identified that would be difficult to overcome due to the complicated composition of the channel at the confluence of the OCR. This portion of the OCR features a trapezoidal or "V" shaped channel, meaning that simple weir structures would be complicated by debris buildup and

potential washout during significant discharge events. Further, this portion of the OCR is located in an urbanized environment, is highly publicly accessible, and is likely to be tampered with. Relocating the weir further upstream to reduce these concerns would still pose the threat of fish being entrained too far into the OCR and becoming stranded as a result.

As discussed above, the permitting of a downstream barrier may be also complicated by flood control concerns and would likely carry a significant regulatory burden requiring prolonged consultation with multiple agencies including Central Valley Flood Protection Board, US Army Corps of Engineers, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, State Water Resource Control Board, and NOAA Fisheries. In order to resolve the potential concerns likely to be expressed by these agencies (particularly the CVFPB), it would likely require the District to fund another substantial infrastructure project to ensure that a complete barrier to fish passage is provided while limiting any potential flood concerns resulting from installation of the structure due to the unique challenges described above.

The lack of data regarding salmonid occurrence within the OCR is understandable given a variety of factors. Annual salmonid occurrence in the OCR is anticipated to be low to none, making potential observations of stranded individuals difficult. Further, the OCR is approximately 20 miles in length from its confluence to the Bellota Headworks, with little public access and generally limited streamflow outside of irrigation season or significant precipitation events requiring considerable effort and coordination to accomplish surveys and/or relocation efforts. As such, surveys have been limited to areas nearest the flashboard dams due to ease of access. However, as discussed above, annual surveys near the flashboard dam sites since the implementation of the CHCP have only yielded one adult *O. mykiss*, that based on size, may have been potentially entrained into the OCR via the Headworks. There have been no other reports of stranded adult salmonids within the OCR to SEWD, FISHBIO, or to the best of our knowledge any resource agency (e.g., NOAA Fisheries or CDFW).

Given the environmental factors discussed above and the considerable financial investment that would be required to design and construct a structure that would meet all criteria, consideration to removal of the downstream barrier condition is justifiable.

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DATE: May 12, 2026**AGENDA ITEM NO. D-2**

TITLE: Cooperation to Study and Develop a Long-Term Groundwater Banking Project**SUBJECT: Consider Approving a Memorandum of Understanding and Common Interest Agreement among Stockton East Water District, East Bay Municipal Utility District, and North San Joaquin Water Conservation District**

Executive Summary

This report presents for Board consideration (1) a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and (2) a Common Interest and Confidentiality Agreement among Stockton East Water District (SEWD/District), East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD), and North San Joaquin Water Conservation District (NSJWCD), collectively, "Parties".

The MOU establishes a collaborative, non-binding framework for the Parties to evaluate and develop a long-term conjunctive use groundwater banking project in the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Subbasin. The Common Interest Agreement provides a legal framework to allow the Parties to share confidential and privileged information while jointly evaluating, planning, and potentially defending the Project.

Staff respectfully recommends that the Board of Directors:

1. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding among SEWD, EBMUD, and NSJWCD to study and develop a long-term groundwater banking project; and
2. Approve the Common Interest and Confidentiality Agreement to facilitate confidential collaboration among the Parties.

Background

The Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Subbasin is a critically overdrafted basin, and local agencies—including SEWD and NSJWCD—are required under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) to achieve groundwater sustainability by 2040. The Parties have a history of collaboration under the 2014 Protest Dismissal Agreement (PDA), which included development of the DREAM groundwater banking pilot project, completed in 2024.

- Building on that effort, the Parties are now exploring a Long-Term Groundwater Banking Project, which could:
- Utilize Mokelumne River water available to EBMUD
- Support groundwater recharge within SEWD and NSJWCD service areas
- Expand over time in phased implementation (initially up to ~8,000 AF/year, with potential for additional capacity)

To facilitate this next phase of work, the Parties have developed the proposed MOU and Common Interest Agreement.

Summary

The **MOU** establishes a collaborative framework for evaluating the feasibility and conceptual design of a long-term groundwater banking project. Key provisions include:

1. Purpose:

To collaboratively study, evaluate, and develop a conceptual plan for a phased groundwater banking project and inform future binding agreements.

2. Scope

Preparation of technical and planning work products, including:

- Project implementation plan
- Water rights change petitions and environmental documentation
- Groundwater export permitting materials
- Engineering and facilities planning memoranda
- Technical studies evaluating recharge and extraction impacts

3. Collaboration Goals:

- Improve groundwater conditions and sustainability
- Support responsible management of Mokelumne River resources
- Maintain reliable water supplies for each agency
- Ensure equitable cost and risk sharing
- Conduct coordinated environmental review and stakeholder engagement

4. Responsibilities:

Each Party agrees to:

- Share data and technical information
- Contribute staff time and expertise
- Coordinate public outreach and funding efforts
- Independently evaluate project feasibility and costs
- Comply with confidentiality requirements under the Common Interest Agreement

5. Non-Binding Nature:

The MOU does not obligate any Party to construct or implement the Project. Future implementation would require separate, Board-approved agreements.

The **Common Interest Agreement** supports the MOU by enabling the Parties to share sensitive and privileged information during project development.

Key provisions include:

1. Confidentiality Protections:

All shared communications related to the Project are treated as privileged and confidential, including attorney-client and work-product materials.

2. Non-Disclosure Requirements:

Parties may not disclose shared information to third parties without mutual consent, preserving legal protections.

3. Joint Defense / Common Interest:

The Parties acknowledge a shared legal interest in the planning, permitting, and potential defense of the Project.

4. Use Limitations:

Shared materials may only be used for Project-related purposes and not for disputes among the Parties.

5. Coordination on Disclosure Requests:

The agreement outlines procedures for handling Public Records Act requests or legal demands for disclosure.

Financial Impact

There are **no direct financial obligations** associated with approval of the MOU or the Common Interest Agreement.

Costs associated with technical studies, environmental review, or project development will be:

- Determined through future funding agreements, and/or
- Shared among the Parties as mutually agreed, and/or
- Offset through grant funding opportunities, where available.

Staff Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Board of Directors:

1. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding among SEWD, EBMUD, and NSJWCD to study and develop a long-term groundwater banking project; and
2. Approve the Common Interest and Confidentiality Agreement to facilitate confidential collaboration among the Parties.

Staff Responsible for Report

Juan M. Vega
Juan M. Vega, Assistant General Manager

Date: 05/12/26

Justin M. Hopkins
Justin M. Hopkins, General Manager

Date: 05/12/26

Attachments

1. Groundwater Banking "DREAMBIGR" Draft Memorandum of Understanding
2. Groundwater Banking "DREAMBIGR" Draft Common Interest Agreement

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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
TO STUDY AND DEVELOP A CONCEPT FOR A
LONG-TERM GROUNDWATER BANKING PROJECT
AMONG EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT, NORTH SAN JOAQUIN
WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, AND STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT**

This Memorandum of Understanding (**MOU**) is made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 2026 by and among North San Joaquin Water Conservation District (**NSJWCD**), Stockton East Water District (**SEWD**), and East Bay Municipal Utility District (**EBMUD**) for the purposes described herein. Each agency hereinafter may be referred to individually as “**Party**” or collectively as “**Parties**.”

Recitals

WHEREAS, California is impacted by droughts and climate change which have highlighted the importance of building a resilient, sustainable, and diverse water resources strategy; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) was passed in 2014 in response to continued overdraft of California’s groundwater resources and to achieve long-term groundwater sustainability; and

WHEREAS, SGMA required existing local agencies to form groundwater sustainability agencies (GSAs) and develop groundwater sustainability plans (GSPs) in high- and medium-priority basins; and

WHEREAS, the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Subbasin (Subbasin) is a critically overdrafted groundwater subbasin managed by 16 GSAs including NSJWCD and SEWD, who have committed to implement projects and management actions to achieve sustainability by 2040; and

WHEREAS, the 16 GSAs adopted a GSP which includes developing a Long-Term Conjunctive Use Groundwater Banking Project (the Long-Term Project) in partnership with EBMUD as a project to help achieve groundwater sustainability; and

WHEREAS, EBMUD, NSJWCD, the County of San Joaquin (SJC), SEWD, Central Delta Water Agency, and South Delta Water Agency entered into a Protest Dismissal Agreement (PDA) in November 2014; and

WHEREAS, under the PDA, EBMUD, NSJWCD, and SJC agreed to fund a pilot demonstration groundwater banking project known as the DREAM Project, which EBMUD, NSJWCD, and SJC successfully implemented and completed in April 2024; and

WHEREAS, the PDA also provides that EBMUD will release water to NSJWCD (and in some cases SEWD) (“PDA Water”) for groundwater banking, on certain terms and conditions, including issuance of an export permit by SJC by December 31, 2030; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to enter into this MOU to collaborate for purposes of studying the feasibility of the Long-Term Project, as well as to develop the facilities plan, evaluate any regulatory approvals, perform technical studies, and determine whether the Long-Term Project

could serve as the banking project contemplated by the PDA; and

WHEREAS, the Parties have described their collective goals for the Long-Term Project in Section 3, and the Parties intend to cooperate to achieve these goals as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

1. PURPOSE

The Parties have preliminarily conceptualized the Long-Term Project as a conjunctive use groundwater banking project that would deliver Mokelumne River water that is or may become available to EBMUD under its water rights for direct and in-lieu recharge within NSJWCD's and SEWD's service areas, using up to 8,000 AF per year of water described in sections 1 and 2 of the PDA and potentially up to 56,000 AF per year in the future if determined feasible and appropriate by all Parties.

The purposes of this MOU are to (a) establish collaboration between EBMUD, NSJWCD, and SEWD in developing the concept for the Long-Term Project that is phased with progressively increasing groundwater banking and extraction capacity, (b) to provide for an evaluation of the feasibility of the Long-Term Project, and (c) to inform the development of potential project agreements for the Long-Term Project, including groundwater banking agreements and operations agreements. No Party shall be obligated to proceed beyond the feasibility and conceptual study activities described herein without entering a subsequent, binding agreement approved by its governing board.

2. WORK PRODUCTS TO BE PREPARED

The Parties will collaborate to prepare the following work products for the purpose of developing the Long-Term Project concept and evaluating its feasibility:

- a) Draft proposed Long-Term Project plan describing project implementation approach in phases, with the first phase being the implementation of the PDA sections 1, 2, and 3. To be prepared and funded by the Parties.
- b) Draft water rights change petition(s) and environmental documentation necessary for consideration and approval of such change petition(s). To be led and funded by EBMUD, as relates to change petition(s), and reviewed by NSJWCD and SEWD, with NSJWCD and SEWD providing any necessary information. The Parties acknowledge that the cost of environmental document preparation and CEQA compliance for other aspects of the overall Long-Term Project will be shared among Parties in a manner to be determined and that there will be further discussions regarding the approach and coordination of the environmental analyses.
- c) Draft groundwater export permit application identifying the permit's proposed terms and conditions along with the monitoring plan information. To be prepared and funded by the Parties.
- d) Technical memorandum detailing the proposed facilities for each project phase. To be prepared and funded by the Parties. This effort is anticipated to include assessing the conditions of existing facilities along with identifying the capacities and viable locations of new facilities.
- e) Technical memorandum summarizing results of studies characterizing the Eastern San

Joaquin Subbasin recharge and extraction response to the Long-Term Project. To be prepared by a consultant and funded by the Parties. The studies to be conducted are expected to include evaluation of groundwater level, quality and movement in response to recharge and extraction from the Long-Term Project.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties shall have no obligation to prepare work products 2.a and 2.c through 2.e until the Parties agree to a separate funding agreement or agreements addressing these work products. Notwithstanding the cost allocation concepts outlined in this Agreement, the Parties agree to cooperate to seek and apply for grant funding for activities contemplated by this Agreement if available, subject to each Party's review and approval of such applications in accordance with its respective internal processes. After completing deliverables 2.a through 2.e, the Parties will meet and confer to determine which phases of the Long-Term Project are viable and, if any phases are determined viable, the Parties shall prepare the following:

- f) Preliminary cost estimate and the draft principles of agreement describing the contributions and benefits for each Party.

3. COLLECTIVE GOALS

The Parties' collective goals for the Long-term Project are identified below.

- a) Expand party collaboration to implement responsible stewardship of the Mokelumne River resource.
- b) Establish and operate a groundwater banking program in a sustainable manner to improve groundwater conditions, including groundwater level and quality, in the Subbasin.
- c) Maintain each Party's ability to operate its respective facilities to meet water supply goals and objectives while also supporting other Parties where possible.
- d) Maintain a collaborative, inclusive, transparent, and respectful partnership with Parties and other Mokelumne River stakeholders.
- e) Implement equitable cost- and risk-sharing among Parties and other stakeholders.
- f) Prepare environmental documentation in collaboration with Parties, San Joaquin County, and other agencies as appropriate.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

General commitments of each Party are as follows:

- a) Work cooperatively to help achieve the goals as provided in Section 3.
- b) Work cooperatively, including committing staff time and sharing information and documents to support development of the Long-Term Project concept in phases.
- c) Work collaboratively on public outreach related to the Long-Term Project.
- d) Share relevant engineering, permitting, regulatory and operational information regarding its own facilities, studies, and permits, subject to appropriate measures to protect confidentiality where applicable.
- e) If needed, commit staff time to conduct necessary analyses of its own facilities, permits, operational data, procedures or requirements, or any other data needed for consideration and share the information with other Parties.
- f) Hire consultants or otherwise expend financial resources as each Party determines necessary or appropriate to achieve the objectives of this MOU at its own expense.

- g) Each Party will track the value of expenditures and in-kind contributions provided to perform the work described in this MOU.
- h) Provide appropriate level of oversight and review of any work products.
- i) Coordinate with the other Parties on all media outreach, media responses, and messaging, prior to any media outreach.
- j) Coordinate with the other Parties on all Federal, State, or other funding efforts and determine how the funding will be allocated to the project.
- k) Each Party will be responsible for its own financial evaluation of the Long-Term Project.
- l) Each Party, and any and all consultants retained by a Party or Parties, shall comply with the confidentiality provisions of the Parties' Common Interest Agreement signed **DATE, YEAR.**
- m) No Party's participation under this MOU shall be construed as approval of any water rights petition, export permit, or facility development proposal. Each Party retains full authority to approve, condition, or deny such future actions in the exercise of its discretion and consistent with its statutory and regulatory responsibilities.

5. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

This MOU may be amended by the written agreement of all Parties.

A Party may elect to withdraw from the MOU at any time and for any reason upon written notice to other Parties. A withdrawing Party shall have no liability or further obligation to the other Parties arising from this MOU except as may be provided in a subsequent written agreement.

This MOU is not intended to benefit any party except the signatories hereto and shall not be deemed to give any right or remedy to any third party whether referred to herein or not.

This MOU does not require any Party to expend public funds, notwithstanding any contrary provision herein. Each Party retains sole discretion over its expenditure decisions except as may be provided by separate written agreement.

This MOU does not create or constitute a joint powers authority, partnership, or joint venture between the Parties, nor does it render any Party the agent of the other Parties. Except as explicitly provided in this MOU, no Party shall become liable to the other Parties, or any of them, by virtue of any representation, act, or omission of such Party.

This MOU is intended, in part, to implement the PDA Water provisions of the PDA. It is not intended to, and does not, modify or supersede any provision of the PDA. In the event of any conflict between a provision of the PDA and a provision of this MOU, the PDA provision will control.

This MOU may be executed using digital or electronic signatures and/or may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

This MOU will terminate when the work products outlined in Section 2 have been completed or by mutual written agreement of all Parties.

6. NOTICES

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Each Party shall promptly notify the others of any proposed regulatory filing, funding application, or communication with external agencies that references, relies upon, or is intended to advance the Long-Term Project concept.

Any notice, demand, or request made in connection with this MOU must be in writing and will be deemed properly served if delivered via electronic mail (e-mail), in person, or sent by United States mail, postage prepaid, to the addresses specified below:

EBMUD: Linda Hu
Manager of Water Supply Improvements
East Bay Municipal Utility District 375
Eleventh Street, M.S. 407
Oakland, CA 94607
linda.hu@ebmud.com

NSJWCD: Steve Schwabauer
General Manager
North San Joaquin Water Conservation District
[NSJWCD mailing address]
steve@nsjwcd.com

SEWD: Justin Hopkins
General Manager
Stockton East Water District
PO Box 5157
5757 Main Street
Stockton, CA 95205
jhopkins@sewd.net

A Party may change its designated recipient for notice by providing notice to all other Parties in accordance with this Section.

East Bay Municipal Utility District:

Signature Title Date

North San Joaquin Water Conservation District:

Signature Title Date

Stockton East Water District:

Signature

Title

Date

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Common Interest Agreement for a Groundwater Banking Project in San Joaquin County

This common interest agreement (“**Agreement**”) is made among East Bay Municipal Utilities District (**EBMUD**), North San Joaquin Water Conservation District (NSJWCD), and Stockton East Water District (**SEWD**) (individually “**Party**” and collectively the “**Parties**”) on the ___ of _____, 2026.

RECITALS

- A. The Parties each have a vested interest in the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Subbasin (“**Subbasin**”) because, the California Department of Water Resources (“**DWR**”) determined the Subbasin was in a state of critical overdraft in 1980.
- B. The Parties are among the signatories of a Protest Dismissal Agreement dated November 25, 2014 (the “**PDA**”).
- C. To satisfy Term 5 of the PDA, EBMUD and NSJWCD completed the Demonstration Recharge Extraction Aquifer Management (“**DREAM**”) project in 2024. The DREAM project is a conjunctive use groundwater banking project that stored up to 1,000 acre-feet of water. EBMUD and NSJWCD intended the DREAM project to serve as a pilot for a future groundwater banking project in the region with a larger capacity that would be developed in phases (the “**Project**”).
- D. To address overdraft conditions in the Subbasin and to meet current and future demand for water supply, the Parties intend to develop the first phase of the Project by implementing Terms 1, 2, and 3 of the PDA to use up to 8,000 acre-feet of Mokelumne River water under EBMUD’s water rights to recharge and bank groundwater in the Subbasin.
- E. Developing the Project may involve preparation of an environmental document pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (“**CEQA**”) and processing a change petition with the State Water Resources Control Board (“**SWRCB**”). Other entities may oppose or litigate these actions.
- F. The Parties share a common interest in ensuring that the planning, development, implementation, and operation of the Project comply with all local, state, and federal laws. The Parties also share in the joint defense or prosecution of any claims, lawsuits, or other legal or administrative proceedings that relate to the Project.
- G. The Parties anticipate that their joint efforts relating to the Project will require the free and candid exchange of preliminary drafts, notes, and

memoranda, as well as the free and candid deliberation of opinions, recommendations, and advice that will reflect the Parties' deliberative process relating to Project.

- H. Through this Agreement, the Parties intend to broadly protect their privileged and/or exempt communications from disclosure pursuant to all applicable legal and evidentiary privileges.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The Parties agree that:

- 1) In addition to the terms defined in the above Recitals, the following terms shall have these meanings when used in this Agreement:
 - a) **“Common Interest Communications”** means and includes any and all documents, data, or information (including correspondence, reports, studies, memoranda, factual material and summaries, mental impressions, transcripts, digests, and any other written material or oral information of any kind whatsoever) that relate to the Project that any Party communicates to any other Party, which would otherwise be protected from disclosure to third parties pursuant to applicable legal and evidentiary protections and privileges, including without limitation the attorney-client privilege, the work product doctrine, the joint defense privilege, deliberative process privilege, and the official information privilege.
 - b) **“Party”** and **“Parties”** means and includes each Party's respective officers, employees, agents, consultants, attorneys, representatives, and/or experts.
- 2) **Non-Disclosure.** All Common Interest Communications a Party receives from any other Party shall be treated and maintained by the receiving Party as privileged and confidential and shall not be disclosed to non-Parties persons or entities without the consent of all Parties. Common Interest Communications among or between the Parties will not constitute a waiver of any applicable privilege or protection from disclosure.
- 3) **Agents.** Each Party shall require its agents, consultants, attorneys, experts, and other non-employee representatives to be bound by this Agreement as a condition of receiving or reviewing Common Interest Communications.
- 4) **Marking.** The Parties will mark Common Interest Communications that are exchanged in written or document form with the text **“Confidential: Privileged Communication”** or with a similar heading or endorsement indicating confidentiality.
 - a) Replies to such communications (such as in an email) shall be treated as Common Interest Communications regardless of whether the Party adds an additional marking.

- b) Failure to mark a Common Interest Communication as set forth above shall not constitute a waiver of any applicable legal or evidentiary privilege or protection that may apply.
- 5) Use limitations. A Party shall use Common Interest Communications exclusively in connection with the common development, preparation, implementation, and defense of the Project or in response to any future adverse claims or legal or administrative actions or proceedings with respect thereto. Common Interest Communications shall not be used or be admissible in any action or proceeding between or among the Parties, including without limitation any related claim, action, or proceeding seeking contribution or indemnity between or among the Parties.
- 6) Permitted Disclosures. If any Party reasonably determines that it must disclose or describe the substance of a Common Interest Communication pursuant to a request under the California Public Records Act, duly issued subpoena, litigation discovery request, or other lawful request or demand, the Party receiving such request or demand shall: (a) promptly notify all Parties in writing, including providing a copy of the relevant request(s) or demand(s) to the other Parties; (b) withhold production of the Common Interest Communications prior to the date the production is required; and (c) disclose or produce only that portion of the Common Interest Communications that is legally required to be disclosed where a protective order or other remedy is not otherwise in place to protect such communications. Any Party that receives a request or demand specified in clause (a) of this paragraph and desires to prevent disclosure of the Common Interest Communications may lodge and assert all applicable rights and privileges with respect to said Common Interest Communications, and the Parties shall cooperate in good faith in any legal or administrative action or proceeding relating to the disclosure of any Common Interest Communications. A Party is not required to seek a protective order or otherwise incur legal expense in its efforts to oppose disclosure of a Common Interest Communication.
- 7) Withdrawal. Any Party may withdraw from this Agreement by delivering written notice thereof to all other Parties pursuant to section 10 of this Agreement. Such withdrawal or settlement shall be effective fifteen (15) days after that notice is deemed delivered to all Parties under the notice provision herein.
- 8) Termination. This Agreement shall be terminated upon unanimous written consent of all Parties or upon the withdrawal of all but one Party.
- 9) Survival of Obligations. The Parties' obligations pursuant to this Agreement shall survive any withdrawal from the Agreement or the Agreement's termination with respect to Common Interest Communications the Parties made or received prior to such withdrawal or termination, regardless of whether the joint defense and/or common interest doctrines do not apply to later communications among the Parties.

10) Notice. All notices under this Agreement must be sent via email to the addresses set forth below. Should the contact information for any Party change, the Party shall provide notify to all other Parties by email within thirty (30) days of the change.

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Manager of Water Supply Improvements
East Bay Municipal Utility District
linda.hu@ebmud.com

NSJWCD: Steve Schwabauer
General Manager
North San Joaquin Water Conservation District
steve@nsjwcd.com

SEWD: Justin Hopkins
General Manager
Stockton East Water District
jhopkins@sewd.net

- 11) Entire Agreement. This Agreement sets forth the Parties' entire agreement with respect to the subject matter contained herein. All prior discussions, negotiations, representations, and warranties are integrated into and superseded by this Agreement.
- 12) Modifications. Any modifications to this Agreement, including without limitation the addition of a new party, must be in writing and signed by all then-existing Parties. This Section does not apply to changes in a Party's contact information.
- 13) Waiver. A Party or Parties may waive a provision of this Agreement only in a writing signed by all Parties.
- 14) Remedies. In the event any Party breaches this Agreement or communicates their intent to breach the Agreement, any other Party may bring a legal action seeking an injunction or specific performance.
- 15) Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of California.
- 16) No Relationship Created. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to: (a) create an attorney-client relationship between any Party and/or counsel to any other Party; (b) create a partnership, joint venture, or agency relationship among the Parties and/or their counsel; or (c) affect the separate and independent representation of each Party by its respective counsel according to what each such counsel advises to be in the client's best interests. Each Party shall be responsible for directing its respective counsel.

- 17) Attorney's Fees. Each Party shall be responsible for its own attorneys' fees related to this Agreement, including any actions taken to enforce this Agreement.
- 18) Jointly Drafted. The Parties agree that this Agreement was jointly drafted by each Party with each Party having sufficient opportunity to consult with independent legal counsel. No inference or rule of construction shall be applied based on the assumption that any individual Party drafted any provision in this Agreement.
- 19) Binding on Successors. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective heirs, successors, and assigns.
- 20) Counterparts and Signatures. This Agreement may be executed and delivered in counterparts, each of which when executed and delivered shall be deemed an original. Such counterparts together shall constitute one and the same document. Electronic signatures are acceptable, pursuant to California law.
- 21) Severability. Should a court deem any provision of this Agreement invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the Agreement shall remain effective.
- 22) Authority. The undersigned individuals represent that they are authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of their respective Parties.

Wherefore, the Parties below have executed and entered into this Agreement as of the effective date first set forth above.

EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

By: _____

NORTH SAN JOAQUIN WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

By: _____

STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT

By: _____

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AGENDA ITEM NO. D-3

TITLE: Organizational Restructuring**SUBJECT: Consideration of Organizational Changes: Position Restoration and Staffing Augmentation**

Executive Summary

Staff is requesting that the Board of Directors approve two organizational changes intended to improve operational effectiveness and support leadership succession. These changes include: (1) restoration of the Special Projects Manager position and (2) addition of an Administrative Assistant position. These actions are intended to strengthen organizational capacity, improve efficiency, and position the District for continued growth and leadership in the region.

Background

Stockton East Water District (District) has experienced significant growth in operational complexity, public engagement, regulatory requirements, and regional leadership responsibilities. As the District continues to evolve, organizational structure and staffing levels must adapt to support both current operations and future strategic priorities.

In addition, the District is currently managing increasing administrative workload demands and planning for leadership transition within key operational roles.

Summary

The requested organizational changes are driven by a convergence of immediate operational needs and strategic timing. The District is currently facing increasing administrative workload demands, expanding public engagement responsibilities, and an impending leadership transition within the Operations Department. At the same time, the recent implementation of salary survey adjustments and continued organizational growth present a natural opportunity to evaluate and modernize the District's structure. Acting now allows the District to proactively address capacity constraints, ensure a smooth transition of critical leadership roles, and align its organizational framework with current industry standards before operational inefficiencies or service impacts become more pronounced.

1. Restoration of Special Projects Manager Position

Staff is requesting restoration of the Special Projects Manager position to facilitate leadership transition within the Operations Department.

This position will:

- Allow the District to retain the institutional knowledge and expertise of the current Water Operations Manager, Jim Wunderlich
- Provide dedicated time for mentoring and onboarding the next Water Operations Manager
- Ensure continuity of operations during a critical leadership transition period
- Support high-priority operational and capital projects

The position is expected to remain in place until Mr. Wunderlich's retirement, anticipated in approximately two years, at which time the position will sunset.

Additional Benefits:

- Reduces operational risk during leadership transition
- Preserves institutional knowledge that would otherwise be lost
- Improves succession planning and leadership development
- Enhances project delivery and operational efficiency

2. Addition of Administrative Assistant Position

Staff is requesting the addition of one Administrative Assistant to address increasing administrative workload demands.

Current workload factors include:

- Approximately 50 hours per week supporting Board meetings (agenda preparation, hosting, and minutes)
- At least three standing committee meetings per month, plus ad-hoc committees
- Increased external event coordination and public engagement activities
- Expanded social media and communications efforts
- Approximately 15 hours per week managing Board and General Manager calendars

Current staffing levels are no longer sufficient to meet these demands, as evidenced by:

- Missed deadlines
- Incomplete processes
- Declining work product quality
- Signs of employee burnout

Additional Benefits:

- Improves reliability and timeliness of Board and committee processes
- Enhances quality and consistency of public communications
- Reduces burnout and improves employee retention
- Increases organizational resilience and redundancy
- Supports continued growth in public engagement and transparency

These changes are title modifications only and do not inherently change any job descriptions, compensation, or reporting relationships.

Financial Impact

The financial impact of the proposed changes is \$162,459 as shown in Table 1. The additional cost of \$36,112 for the Special Project Manager position was accounted for in the Fiscal year 2026-2027 budget. However, the additional cost of \$126,347 for the Administrative Assistant position is not currently funded within the budget. Of this amount, \$41,243.25 will be covered through available balances in compensated absences and OPEB. The remaining \$85,104 will be funded when the salary survey transfer will be brought to the board in the last quarter of FY 2026–2027.

Change	Description	Cost
Special Project Manager	Wage increases in WTP staff structure	\$36,112
Administrative Assistant	Create and fund new position w/ benefits	\$126,347
Total		\$162,459


Table 1. Itemized Costs of Proposed Reorganizational Changes

Recommendation

Staff recommends the Board of Directors for approval:

1. Restoration of the Special Projects Manager position
2. Addition of one Administrative Assistant position

Staff Responsible for Report



 Justin M. Hopkins, General Manager

Date: 05/12/2026

Attachments

1. Special Projects Manager Job Description

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SPECIAL PROJECTS MANAGER

DEFINITION

Under direction of the Assistant General Manager, the Special Projects Manager plans, organizes, and coordinates District-wide special projects and capital improvement initiatives. This position serves as the primary liaison between Operations, Engineering, and Maintenance to ensure that the planning, design, construction, and commissioning of facilities are aligned with District operational standards, performance goals, and long-term reliability.

The Special Projects Manager also provides technical and operational expertise to the Water Operations Manager in support of treatment processes, system improvements, and infrastructure rehabilitation, and leads initiatives that enhance efficiency, maintainability, and consistency across District facilities.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

The duties listed below are illustrative only and are not meant to be a complete exhaustive listing of all the duties and responsibilities of the Special Projects Manager classification:

Managerial Duties:

- Serves as the District's operations liaison during planning, design, and construction of treatment and conveyance facilities.
- Reviews and provides input on engineering designs, plans, and specifications to ensure operability, maintainability, safety, and consistency with District standards.
- Participates in design reviews, constructability reviews, and value engineering efforts.
- Coordinates closely with Engineering, Operations, and Maintenance staff to support successful project delivery.
- Monitors project progress and provides recommendations to address operational or constructability concerns.
- Supports functional testing, system validation, and process optimization during commissioning phases.
- Facilitates the transition of projects from construction to full operational status.
- Provides technical support and analysis related to complex operational, mechanical, electrical, and process control systems.
- Assists in troubleshooting system performance issues and identifying long-term solutions.
- Prepares reports, correspondence, recommendations, and Board communications related to District projects and initiatives.
- Assists in long-range capital planning, asset management, and budget development.
- Performs inspections of facilities and work in progress to ensure compliance with plans, specifications, and District expectations.
- Represents the District with contractors, regulatory agencies, and other organizations.
- Builds and maintains cooperative working relationships with District staff, stakeholders, and the public.
- Provides specialized operational support during times of non-routine operation.

Typical Physical Activities:

- Works in an outdoor environment including walking/climbing on uneven terrain for site visits, inspections, and evaluations to analyze District's infrastructure.
- Communicates orally with co-workers, and the public in face-to-face, one-to-one and group settings.
- Uses office equipment such as computer terminals, copiers, and FAX machines.
- Sits for extended time periods.
- Hearing and vision within normal ranges.

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS**Knowledge of:**

- Principles and practices of water treatment and conveyance system operations.
- Treatment process design concepts, including filtration and sedimentation systems.
- Capital improvement project planning, design, construction, and commissioning practices.
- Project and contract management principles.
- Mechanical, electrical, hydraulic, and process control systems related to water facilities.
- Instrumentation, control systems, and SCADA integration concepts.
- Applicable laws, regulations, and safety practices governing water system operations.
- Budget development and expenditure control.
- Principles of supervision, training, and team coordination.

Ability to:

- Plan, organize, manage, and administer the special project(s) of the District.
- Organize, schedule, coordinate, and direct the work of consultants and contractors.
- Analyze problems; identify alternative solutions, consequences of proposed actions, and implement recommendations in support of goals.
- Build consensus among personnel through an exchange of ideas and facts to facilitate the successful implementation of operational changes and policy.
- Understand and comply with complex oral and written instructions and procedures.
- Perform comprehensive administrative reviews of work activities, costs, staffing requirements, equipment uses, and time requirements.
- Effectively work as a member of a problem-solving team to resolve a variety of operational, maintenance, and administrative tasks.
- Manage budgets.
- Communicate effectively with the general public, contractors, staff, and District management via reports, memos, and presentations.
- Represent District with the public, contractors, and other organizations.
- Establish and maintain cooperative working relationships.
- Develop Water Treatment Operations staff to successfully fulfill new roles.

QUALIFICATIONS

Any combination of education and experience that would likely provide the necessary knowledge and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the knowledge and abilities would be:

- Education: High School Diploma, or equivalent.
- Experience: Broad and progressively responsible experience in water treatment, water systems operations, engineering support, or project management within a public agency or similar environment. Experience with capital improvement projects, facility design review, construction coordination, or commissioning is highly desirable. At least two (2) years of experience in a project management or lead coordination role is preferred.
- Certifications:
 - Water Treatment Plant Operator Certification – Possession and continued maintenance of minimum of a Grade V Water Treatment Plant Operator Certification issued by the California State Water Resources Control Board is desirable.
- Licenses:
 - Possession of a valid California Driver’s License and possession and proof of a driving record free of multiple or serious traffic violations or accidents for two (2) consecutive years.

The specific statements in each section of this job description are not intended to be all-inclusive. They represent typical elements and are necessary to successfully perform the job.

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DATE: May 12, 2026**AGENDA ITEM NO. D-4**

TITLE: 2025 Agricultural Water Management Plan**SUBJECT: Adoption of Agricultural Water Management Plan**

Executive Summary

District staff has completed the required Agricultural Water Management Plan (AWMP) documents. Staff has published the Notice of Preparation per Section 6066 of Government Code, and the District is ready to adopt the final AWMP with Board of Director's approval on 5/12/2026.

Background

Senate Bill (SB) X7-7 requires agricultural water suppliers, defined as a water supplier providing water to 10,000 or more irrigated acres, prepare and adopt agricultural water management plans with specified components on or before December 31, 2012 and update these plans every 5 years thereafter. Stockton East Water District (District) has prepared the draft 2025 Agricultural Water Management Plan (AWMP).

The draft AWMP was prepared in accordance with the 2025 Agricultural Water Management Plan Guidebook developed by California Department of Water Resources (DWR). The Guidebook states that DWR will accept a USBR WMP as a substitute for the 2025 AWMP plan under the following conditions:

- The supplier adopted and submitted a USBR WMP within the last four years (e.g. on 4/1/2022 or later) and USBR accepted the plan as adequate
- The following additional documentation must be submitted to DWR as an attachment to the adequate USBR WMP:
 - Agricultural Water Measurement Regulation Documentation (Five attachments)
 - If supplier has not implemented all Efficient Water Management Practices (EWMP), a schedule, financing plan, and budget for implementation of remaining EWMPs to be considered for loan/grant availability
 - Documentation of the same process of Notification, Public Participation, Adoption, and Submittal per DWR AWMP requirements

Summary

Staff has utilized the 2025 AWMP Guidebook and added required addenda to the existing USBR WMP.

Staff Responsible for Report

James de Fremery
James de Fremery, Associate Engineer

Date: 05/12/26

Darrel Evensen
Darrel Evensen, District Engineer

Date: 05/12/26

Juan Vega
Juan Vega, Assistant General Manager

Date: 05/12/26

Justin M. Hopkins
Justin M. Hopkins, General Manager

Date: 05/12/26

Attachments

1. AWMP Title Page
2. AWMP Addendum

Stockton East Water District 2025 Agricultural Water Management Plan



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**Notification of
Public Hearing**

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RESOLUTION NO. 26-27-03

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT
2025 AGRICULTURAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN**

The Board of Directors of Stockton East Water District does hereby resolve as follows:

WHEREAS, the Agricultural Water Management Planning Act (Act), codified in Section 10800 et seq., of the water code (CWC) requires all agricultural water suppliers to prepare and adopt an agricultural water management plan; and

WHEREAS, the Stockton East Water District is an agricultural water supplier providing water to 10,000 or more irrigated acres and is required to adopt an Agricultural Water Management Plan and submit the plan to DWR for compliance with Governor Brown's Executive Order B-29-15, signed April 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Stockton East Water District has therefore, prepared and circulated for public review a draft 2025 Agricultural Water Management Plan and properly noticed the public hearing regarding said Plan on April 28, 2026 and May 5, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Stockton East Water District held a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 12, 2026 to receive comments and accept the District's Agricultural Water Management Plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Stockton East Water District as follows:

1. The 2025 Agricultural Water Management Plan is hereby adopted;
2. The General Manager is hereby authorized and directed to file the 2025 Agricultural Water Management Plan with the California Department of Water Resources within 30 days after this date;
3. The General Manager is hereby authorized and directed to take appropriate action to implement the 2025 Agricultural Water Management Plan in accordance with the Agricultural Water Management Plan Act, codified in Section 10800 et seq., of the California Water Code and California Department of Water Resources regulations, as such may be modified from time to time.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Stockton East Water District on May 12, 2026 by the following vote:

AYES:

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Draft

Thomas McGurk, President
Board of Directors
Stockton East Water District

ATTEST:

Draft

Justin M. Hopkins
Secretary of the Board
Stockton East Water District



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SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE

The Administration Committee
of the Stockton East Water District
Board of Directors will meet at
11:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 29, 2026
at the District Office, 6767 East Main Street, Stockton, CA

Assistance for the Disabled: If you are disabled in any way and need accommodation to participate in the meeting, please call Administrative Staff at (209) 948-0333 for assistance so the necessary arrangements can be made.

AGENDA

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| 4. | Adjournment | |

Certification of Posting

I hereby certify that on April 23, 2026, I posted a copy of the foregoing agenda in the outside display case at the District Office, 6767 East Main Street, Stockton, California, said time being at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting of the Stockton East Water District Administration Committee Meeting (Government Code Section 54954.2). Executed at Stockton, California on April 23, 2026.

Priya Ram, Director of Finance & Administration
Stockton East Water District

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Weekly Water Report	As of: April 28, 2026	As of: May 12, 2026
New Hogan (NHG) TOC	294,091	AF
Storage:	213,086	AF
Net Storage Change:	+1,387	AF
Inflow:	151	CFS
Release:	115	CFS
New Melones (NML) Allocation	75,000	AF
Storage:	1,870,734	AF
Net Storage change:	+9,656	AF
Inflow:	1,414	CFS
Release:	814	CFS
Source: CDEC Daily Reports		

Goodwin Diversion (GDW)		
Inflow (Tulloch Dam):	896	CFS
Release to Stanislaus River (S-98):	952	CFS
Release to OID (JT Main):	336	CFS
Release to SSJID (SO Main):	165	CFS
Release to SEWD & CSJWCD:	<u>31</u>	CFS
Total Release	1,484	CFS
Source: Tri-Dam Operations Daily Report		
Farmington Dam (FRM)		
Diverted to SEWD:	30	CFS
Diverted to CSJWCD:	0	CFS

Surface Water Used		
Irrigators on New Hogan:	0	
Irrigators on New Melones:	0	
Out-Of-District Irrigators:	0	
DJWWTP Production:	36	MGD
North Stockton:	6	MGD
South Stockton:	6	MGD
Cal Water:	20	MGD
City of Stockton DWSP Production:	13	MGD

District Ground Water Extraction		
74-01	0	GPM
74-02	0	GPM
North	620	GPM
South	1,530	GPM
Extraction Well # 1	2,560	GPM
Extraction Well # 2	<u>3,230</u>	GPM
Total Well Water Extraction	7,940	GPM
Total Ground Water Production	11	MGD

Note: **The data reported here is available as of 04/26/26
***The data reported here is available as of 04/27/26**
All other flow data reported here is preliminary, as of 9:00 a.m. on 04/28/26

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Bay-Delta Water Tour

FIELD TRIP

BAY-DELTA TOUR ITINERARY MAY 20-22, 2026

Foundation Team:

Nick Gray

Deputy Director of Programs

530-433-4242

Nic Russo

Programs Manager

916-671-4519

Resource Speakers:

Jacob McQuirk (Wed/Thu)

Principal Engineer, Water Resources
CA Department of Water Resources

Ryan Lucas

Hydrologist
Bureau of Reclamation,
Bay-Delta Office

Mike Moran

Regional Interpretive &
Recreation Services Manager
East Bay Regional Park District

Rosie Hartman (Fri)

Environmental Program Manager
CA Department of Water Resources

SCAN FOR TOUR RESOURCES



DAY 1: WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

7:30 am **CHECK-IN**
Water Education Foundation

8:00 am **Opening Presentations of the Bay-Delta Tour**

Nick Gray

- Welcome & introduction to the tour

Mike Moran

- Unique geography & hydrology of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta
- Natural history of the Delta & its role in species migration

Jacob McQuirk

- Water conveyance through & around the Delta
- Overview of the Delta Conveyance Project

9:15 am **DEPART** for Jean Harvie Community Center

David Ogilvie

Vineyard Manager, Wilson Vineyards
Director of Production, Ogilvie Merwin Vintners

- North Delta farming: past, present & future
- Water sources & regulations
- Voluntary water reductions

View of the Delta Cross Channel

10:15 am **ARRIVE** at Jean Harvie Community Center

Jessica Pearson

Executive Officer, Delta Stewardship Council

- Overview of the Delta & its importance to California
- Today's Delta issues, its numerous players & plans & who is doing what
- Things to think about during the tour

Karen Buhr

Deputy Executive Officer, Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy

- Overview of the Delta Conservancy mission & history
- Conservancy's role in ecosystem restoration & economic development

11:30 am **DEPART** for Delta Farmer's Market

Resource Speakers

- The Delta Cross Channel & Georgianna Slough
- Salmon out migration impact on operations

12:00 pm **ARRIVE** for **LUNCH** at Delta Farmer’s Market

Jay Ziegler

Delta Watermaster, State Water Resources Control Board

- Water rights & allocations in the Delta: a brief primer
- Role of the Delta Watermaster in administering water rights
- Delta compliance in context of updating the Water Quality Control Plan

1:00 pm **DEPART** for Big Break Regional Shoreline

Resource Speakers

- Salinity & tides where the Delta meets the Bay & Delta outflow requirements
- Drought barriers & Franks Tract Futures

1:30 pm **ARRIVE** at Big Break Regional Shoreline

Mike Moran

- Accessible Delta shoreline provides connection to larger Delta issues
- Open water, tidal sloughs, freshwater marsh & riparian areas support wildlife
- Delta Discovery Experience- a 1,200 ft² scale map of the Delta

Lydia Kenison

Environmental Scientist, California State Parks Division of Boating & Waterways

- Invasive plant species control in the Delta

Randall Neudeck

Bay-Delta Imported Water Supply Program Manager

Russ Ryan

Delta Islands Manager

Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

- The role of the Delta in Southern California water supplies
- Southern California perspectives on the Delta Conveyance Project
- Metropolitan’s Delta projects, including islands purchased

3:30 pm **DEPART** for Twitchell Island

3:45 pm **ARRIVE** at Twitchell Island

David Julian

Senior Engineer, California Department of Water Resources

- Delta levee special flood control projects
- Subsidence & mitigation
- Wetland restoration programs
- Greenhouse gas sequestration projects

5:15 pm **DEPART** for University Plaza Waterfront Hotel

Resource Speakers

- Delta smelt/fish habitat & wetlands
- Historical effects of island building
- Seismic risk
- Delta Conveyance Project & Peripheral Canal

6:00 pm **ARRIVE** at University Plaza Waterfront Hotel
Stockton, CA

GATHER for wine reception in the Waterfront Ballroom

6:30 pm **DINNER** in the Waterfront Ballroom

Jeanne M. Zolezzi

Partner, Herum\Crabtree\Suntag

- Stockton Area Water Suppliers: opportunities & challenges

DAY 2: THURSDAY, MAY 21

Bring luggage with you to breakfast & keep room key until departure.

7:00 am **BREAKFAST** in the Waterfront Ballroom

Barbara Barrigan-Parrilla

Executive Director, Restore the Delta

- The Delta as part of California's natural heritage & deserving of restoration

8:00 am **DEPART** for Central Valley Project & State Water Project South Delta Facilities

Paul Marchini

Owner, A.M. Farms

- South Delta agricultural concerns
- Crop management in a saline-rich environment

9:00 am **ARRIVE** at Central Valley Project & State Water Project South Delta Facilities
Closed-toe shoes & government-issued ID required

Tour of Jones Pumping Plant / Delta-Mendota Canal

Seth Harris

Water Operations Superintendent, San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority

- Operations of the Jones Pumping plant & its role in California water systems

Tour of Skinner Fish Facility / Fish Conservation & Culture Lab

Trent Schaffer

Civil Maintenance Assistant Branch Manager, California Department of Water Resources

Jean Tsai

Assistant Project Scientist, UC Davis Fish Conservation & Culture Lab

Luke Ellison

Manager, UC Davis Fish Conservation & Culture Lab

- Fish diversion & collection strategies in transporting water
- Aquaculture techniques to create research stock of Delta smelt

12:00 pm **DEPART** for Los Vaqueros Reservoir

Resource Speakers

- Long-term State Water Project / Central Valley Project Coordinated Operations
- Endangered Species Act compliance & engineering for salmon protection
- California Aqueduct & Delta-Mendota Canal Intertie
- Delta export pumping & water quality/level protection
- Temporary rock barriers vs. permanent operable gates

12:30 pm **ARRIVE** for **LUNCH** at Los Vaqueros Reservoir

Rachel Murphy

General Manager, Contra Costa Water District

- Overview of Contra Costa Water District & current water operations

Jennifer Allen

Director of Public Affairs, Contra Costa Water District

Ching-Fu Chang

Senior Water Resources Specialist, Contra Costa Water District

Cary Richardson

Watershed Resources Superintendent, Contra Costa Water District

- Los Vaqueros Watershed Management

2:15 pm **DEPART** for Antioch Brackish Water Desalination Project

Resource Speakers

- Pressures on regional habitat
- San Joaquin River Restoration, predation & low through-Delta survival
- Delta housing developments & their flood protection implications

2:45 pm **ARRIVE** at Antioch Brackish Water Desalination Project

Scott Buenting

Public Works Director/City Engineer, City of Antioch

Marcus Woodland

Water Treatment Plant Superintendent, City of Antioch

- Overview & purpose of the project
- Long-term strategy to improve water supply reliability & operational flexibility

4:15 pm **DEPART** for Embassy Suites

4:45 pm **ARRIVE** at Embassy Suites
Walnut Creek, CA

5:30 pm **DINNER** in the Contra Costa Ballroom

Bert Mulchaey

Supervising Fishery & Wildlife Biologist, East Bay Municipal Utility District

- A day in the life of EBMUD's Fisheries & Wildlife Division

Steve Ritchie

Assistant General Manager, Water Enterprise, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

- Overview of SFPUC System
- Effects of Bay-Delta Plan on SFPUC
- Tuolumne River Voluntary Agreement

DAY 3: FRIDAY, MAY 22

Bring luggage with you to breakfast & keep room key until departure.

7:00 am **BREAKFAST** in the Contra Costa Ballroom

Nick Gray

- About the Water Education Foundation

Warner Chabot

Executive Director, San Francisco Estuary Institute

- Protecting water quality & environmental health in the San Francisco Bay

8:00 am **DEPART** for Fisherman's Wharf



9:00 am **ARRIVE** at Fisherman’s Wharf
Buses will not be available for the next 3 hours, so bring anything you’ll need.

Vance Staplin

Executive Director, Golden State Salmon Association

- Current state of California fisheries
- How the health of the Delta impacts ocean fishing
- Tour of Pier 45 fish suppliers

10:00 am **DEPART** for Aquarium of the Bay, Pier 39

10:15 am **ARRIVE** at Aquarium of the Bay, Pier 39

- Self-guided tour of native San Francisco Bay animals in simulated habitat

11:15 am **GATHER** at Pier 41 & **BOARD** Ferry

- Foundation team will provide ferry tickets

11:30 am **DEPART** for Sausalito

- Ferry ride across San Francisco Bay with view of the Golden Gate

12:00 pm **ARRIVE** in Sausalito / **DEPART** for Bay Model Visitor Center

12:15 pm **ARRIVE** for **LUNCH** at Bay Model Visitor Center

Heather Hill

Park Ranger, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Bay-Delta Model

- Introduction to the history of the Bay-Delta Model
- Self-guided tour of one-of-a-kind hydraulic model of the San Francisco Bay & Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta System

1:45 pm **DEPART** for Rush Ranch

Resource Speakers

- Advancements in hydrodynamic modeling
- Suisun Marsh, Delta smelt & low salinity zone
- Montezuma Slough Salinity Control Gate
- Tidal wetlands value & restoration

3:30 pm **ARRIVE** at Rush Ranch

Steve Chappell

Executive Director, Suisun Resource Conservation District

Anna Weinstein

Senior Project Manager, Solano Land Trust

Rosie Hartman

Environmental Program Manager, CA Department of Water Resources

- Brackish water marsh ecology, salinity issues, endangered species, waterfowl nesting
- Comparison of tidal wetlands vs. seasonally managed marshes
- Goat Island tidal marsh restoration & public access project
- Suisun Marsh Implementation Plan
- California EcoRestore & the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area

4:45 pm **DEPART** for Sacramento

Resource Speakers

- Notable features in the area: Yolo Bypass, weirs, etc.
- Flood bypasses & nature preserves in the Delta

6:30 pm **ARRIVE** at Water Education Foundation

San Joaquin Farm Bureau **RECEIVED** 112th Annual Meeting

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STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT
Administration

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT CELEBRATING MEMBERSHIP,
AWARDING SCHOLARSHIPS, ELECTING YOUR 2026-2027
BOARD OF DIRECTORS & NOMINATING YOUR SJFB
OFFICER TEAM.

*Thursday,
June 4th*

Roberts Union
Farm Center
4925 Howard Rd.
Stockton, 95206



No Host Social

5:30 pm

Dinner

6:30 pm

Program

7:00 pm

Event Tickets

\$50
Per Person

Sponsorships

Platinum - \$2,500

Gold - \$1,500

Silver - \$500

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Sponsorship Opportunities

ALL SPONSORS WILL RECEIVE RECOGNITION AT THE EVENT, SOCIAL MEDIA & IN THE SJFB NEWS. THE PLATINUM & GOLD SPONSORS MAY ALSO HAVE A TABLE AT THE EVENT TO DISTRIBUTE PROMO ITEMS. SPONSORS WHO CANNOT ATTEND THE EVENT CAN HAVE THEIR PROMO ITEMS DISTRIBUTED ON THEIR BEHALF.

Sponsorship Levels	Amount	Sign Me Up For
<i>Platinum Sponsor</i> [10 Dinner Tickets Included]	\$2,500	
<i>Gold Sponsor</i> [8 Dinner Tickets Included]	\$1,500	
<i>Silver Sponsor</i> [4 Dinner Tickets Included]	\$500	

Donation Opportunities

YES! I would like to donate a raffle item[s] for the 112th Annual Meeting. Please count me in for the following:

Item Description: _____ Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I would like someone to pick up my item[s].

I will deliver my item[s] to the Farm Bureau office by June 3rd.

I will deliver my item[s] to the event on June 4th.

Event Tickets

\$50 Per Person

YES! I would like to purchase _____ tickets for the 112th Annual Meeting.

.....

Name: _____ Business: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

For sponsorship information and all other inquiries, call [209] 931-4931 or email Jessica, jessica@sjfb.org. Please have all RSVP's in by Friday, May 29th. To return your RSVP, email or mail it to the SJFB Office. Please make all checks payable to San Joaquin Farm Bureau and mail to 3290 N. Ad Art Rd., Stockton, CA 95215.



Sponsorship Opportunities Business Awards/Installation Dinner

Thursday, June 25, 2026 • Doors Open at 5:30 PM

Hilton Stockton, 2323 Grand Canal Blvd., Stockton, CA 95207

This event will include the installation of the Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors as well as the annual awards program that honors the top Business, Small Business, Business Manager, Young Professional, and Non-Profit Organization from the greater Stockton area as well as awards for the Stockton Chamber volunteers of the year.

\$1,700 Platinum Sponsor

Sponsorship includes eight dinner tickets at a reserved table with your company name on it, company logo on event PowerPoint slide, company listing on invitation and program, recognition from podium.

\$1,300 Gold Sponsor

Sponsorship includes four dinner tickets, preferred seating, company listing on promotional materials and program, recognition from podium.

\$1,000 Silver Sponsor

Sponsorship includes two dinner tickets, company listing on promotional materials, and recognition from podium.

\$1,000 Reserved Table

Reserved Table includes eight dinner tickets at a reserved table behind all Platinum, Gold and Silver Sponsors, recognition from podium.

Business Awards/Installation Dinner Sponsorship Level

\$1,700 Platinum **\$1,300 Gold** **\$1,000 Silver** **\$1,000 Reserved Table**

Check Enclosed (Make checks payable to the Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce)

Credit Card (Visa, MasterCard, or AmEx)

Name(s): _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Card#: _____ Exp Date: _____ CVV: _____

Cardholder Name: _____

Billing Address: _____ Zip: _____

For more information, please contact Ximena Aguilar Arroyo at 209.292.8426 or email events@stocktonchamber.org

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2026 ACWA Spring Conference Agenda-at-a-Glance

TUESDAY, MAY 5

8:00 AM - 6:00 PM	ATTENDEE & EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM	COMMITTEE MEETING & EDUCATION SESSIONS GROUNDWATER COMMITTEE
10:45 AM - 11:45 AM	COMMITTEE MEETINGS ENERGY COMMITTEE WATER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
11:45 AM - 1:00 PM	NETWORKING LUNCH
11:45 AM - 1:00 PM	TASKFORCE MEETINGS OUTREACH TASKFORCE HEADWATERS TASKFORCE
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	COMMITTEE MEETINGS AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE
2:15 PM - 3:15 PM	COMMITTEE MEETING & EDUCATION SESSIONS WATER QUALITY COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM	COMMITTEE MEETING & EDUCATION SESSIONS LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE FEDERAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	NEW MEMBER MIXER
4:00 PM	EXHIBIT HALL OPENS

4:15 PM - 4:45 PM 30-MINUTE SPOTLIGHT SESSION IN THE EXHIBIT HALL

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM WELCOME RECEPTION IN EXHIBIT HALL

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

7:30 AM - 5:00 PM ATTENDEE & EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION, EXHIBIT HALL HOURS
& CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM WELCOME KEYNOTE & OPENING ADDRESS

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM PROGRAM SESSIONS

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM 30-MINUTE SPOTLIGHT SESSIONS IN THE EXHIBIT HALL

11:45 AM - 1:15 PM NETWORKING LUNCH

1:30 PM - 2:15 PM VISION FOR OUR WATER FUTURE AT THE MAIN STAGE

2:15 PM - 3:30 PM 30-MINUTE SPOTLIGHT SESSIONS IN THE EXHIBIT HALL

2:30 PM - 3:30 PM PROGRAM SESSIONS

3:45 PM - 5:00 PM REGION MEETINGS

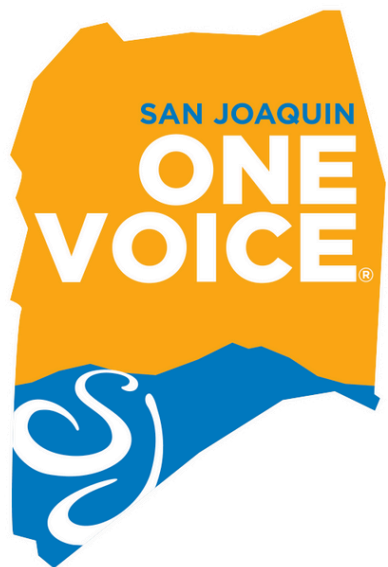
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THURSDAY, MAY 7

7:30 AM - 11:00 AM	ATTENDEE & EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION, EXHIBIT HALL HOURS RISE & SHINE COFFEE & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	EXHIBIT HALL GRAND PRIZE DRAWING
9:00 AM - 10:15 AM	PROGRAM SESSIONS
10:30 AM - 11:45 AM	CLOSING KEYNOTE & AWARDS PRESENTATION
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	LUNCH & LEARN PROGRAM SESSIONS
1:30 PM	CONFERENCE CONCLUDES

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Sunday, May 3rd

4:00pm – 5:00pm Binder pickup in hotel lobby;
Hyatt Regency Hotel at 400 New Jersey Ave NW

Monday, May 4th

7:30 am – 9:30am Breakfast
In Thornton Room CDE, 11th floor
Hyatt Regency Hotel at 400 New Jersey Ave NW

8:00 am – 9:00am Morning Briefing
In Thornton Room CDE, 11th floor
Hyatt Regency Hotel at 400 New Jersey Ave NW

9:30 am – 12:00pm Meetings with Congressional and federal
agency officials

12:00pm – 1:00pm Lunch on your own

1:30pm – 4:30pm Meeting with Congressional and federal agency
officials

5:00pm – 7:00pm Evening reception & Appetizers
Registered Individuals must present ticket at door

Tuesday, May 5th

7:30 am – 9:30am Breakfast
In Thornton Room AB, 11th floor
Hyatt Regency Hotel at 400 New Jersey Ave NW

8:00 – 9:00am Morning Briefing
In Thornton Room AB, 11th floor
Hyatt Regency Hotel at 400 New Jersey Ave NW

9:30 am – 12:00pm Meetings with Congressional and federal agency officials

12:00pm – 1:00pm Lunch on your own

1:30pm – 4:30pm Meeting with Congressional and federal agency officials

6:00pm – 9:00pm RPM Italian at 650 K.St. NW (not a sit-down dinner; heavy appetizers)
Registered individuals must present ticket at door

Wednesday, May 6th

7:30 am – 9:30am Breakfast
In Thornton Room AB, 11th floor
Hyatt Regency Hotel at 400 New Jersey Ave NW

- 8:00 – 9:00am Morning Briefing
In Thornton Room AB, 11th floor
Hyatt Regency Hotel at 400 New Jersey Ave NW
- 9:30 am – 12:00pm Meetings with Congressional and federal agency officials
- 12:00pm – 1:00pm Lunch on your own
- 1:30pm – 4:30pm Meeting with Congressional and federal agency officials
- 6:00pm – Closing Reception & Dinner Buffet; Nationals Ball Game (Game starts at 6:45pm)

Registered Individuals must present ticket at door

Thursday, May 7th

- 4:00pm – 5:00pm Travel day for registered delegates to check out of hotel and fly back to California.

The poster features a central diamond shape containing two crossed baseball bats, one orange and one blue. Above the bats is a baseball. The background is split into orange and blue sections with decorative leaf patterns at the top. The text is arranged in a hierarchy: 'F&M BANK' at the top, followed by 'ANNUAL EVENING', 'AT THE BALLPARK', 'TUESDAY MAY 5 2026', and the team names 'PACIFIC TIGERS' and 'CALIFORNIA GOLDEN BEARS' separated by 'VS'. The bottom section provides the venue and start times.

F&M BANK

ANNUAL EVENING

AT THE
BALLPARK

TUESDAY
MAY 5
2026

 **PACIFIC TIGERS**

VS

 **CALIFORNIA GOLDEN BEARS**

University of the Pacific • Klein Family Field
1200 Larry Heller Drive, Stockton

Gates open at 5pm • Game Starts at 6pm

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April 27, 2026

Clerk of the Board
California Air Resources Board
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Advanced Clean Fleets 15-Day Comment Period Response

Chair Lauren Sanchez and the Members of the California Air Resources Board:

We greatly appreciate the time and effort that has gone into the 15-day comment draft that has been published for public comment. While the goals of these regulations are laudable, the reality remains that we cannot safely serve our communities unless emergency support vehicles are exempted.

At Stockton East Water District, we deliver drinking water to 325,000 residents within the City of Stockton and manage surface water and groundwater supplies for 63,000 acres of irrigated agriculture. The conveyance facilities we operate to deliver surface water supplies span three (3) counties and are more than 100 miles long, collectively. Our community relies on us for uninterrupted drinking water supply. During emergencies our vehicles must travel up to 43 miles, one way, to reach the headworks of our conveyance system. During the irrigation season, our water supply system operators operate their vehicles for seven hours at a time, in all-weather conditions, and air conditioning in vehicles is an important component of our Heat Illness Prevention Plan. Additionally, Stockton East Water District had the misfortune of two direct lightning strikes to our water treatment facility, two consecutive years, taking out utility power for a total of three weeks between the two events. We had to rely on emergency backup generators, which are designed to power critical water treatment operations, not charge a fleet of zero emission vehicles.

To prevent unnecessary loss of life and property in the communities we serve, please reconsider the amendments respectfully requested in the October 7th letter submitted by the California Special Districts Association, League of California Cities, and California State Association of Counties, collectively representing our state's 5,000 local agencies and 40 million residents.

Local agencies like ours continue to do our part in achieving the State's climate and emissions goals. Our proposed amendments will enable us to better meet this challenge and effectively navigate the current Advanced Clean Fleets (ACF) mandates and their associated ambitious compliance deadlines. Of critical concern to our community, the ACF mandates on local agencies are creating unnecessary challenges in complying while maintaining the many critical services Californians rely upon for their most essential daily needs as well as during emergencies and disasters.

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Vehicles that that need to be categorically exempted from the regulations the same manner as those found in **part (c) of § 2013 of title 13 of the California code of regulations to** include those vehicles that respond to, assist in and recover from disasters and emergencies to include: water utility vehicles, flood protection vehicles, sewer utility vehicles, electric utility vehicles, fire prevention vehicles, fire protection vehicles, search and rescue vehicles, and disease and vector control vehicles.

We respectfully request that you amend the ACF exemptions to allow our vehicles that support emergency services to continue serving our communities when we need them most.

Thank you for your consideration,



Justin M. Hopkins, PE, CSDM
General Manager



May 1, 2026

The Honorable Sabrina Cervantes
Chair, Senate Appropriations Committee
1021 O Street, Room 2200
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 1153 (Caballero) – Support

Dear Chair Cervantes:

On behalf of the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) and the undersigned organizations, we are writing to express our support for SB 1153, which would require urban retail water suppliers serving high-risk areas to include wildfire response procedures within their existing emergency response plans to bolster wildfire planning efforts. The bill would also clarify the role of public water systems in wildfire response, including the limitations of water systems. This bill would have no fiscal impact on the state and by utilizing existing disaster and emergency planning frameworks, implementation costs to local agencies would be minimal and absorbable.

Over the last decade, California has faced some of the largest and most destructive wildfires in history, placing extraordinary demands on public water systems and customers. Despite these demands, public water systems are investing and taking actions to prepare for future wildfire events through emergency

preparedness and planning actions, which vary based on the needs of the system and area of the state. Emergency preparedness and planning actions include infrastructure investments; drills and tabletop exercises with local government, fire departments, and other stakeholders to test communications and response systems ahead of wildfires; and emergency communication plans to notify customers about service impacts, water quality, advisories, and safety guidance during wildfire emergencies.

SB 1153 would build upon existing emergency planning requirements and strengthen wildfire preparedness by requiring all urban retail water suppliers serving a high or very high fire hazard severity zone to incorporate a specific planning element regarding wildfire preparedness and response into their disaster preparedness and emergency response plans. The bill would require these plans to include, but not be limited to, (1) mitigation actions, procedures, and equipment that can obviate or significantly lessen the impacts of a wildfire on the water system and the supply of drinking water, (2) actions to prepare for a wildfire, including an assessment of the resilience of critical infrastructure located in a high or very high fire hazard severity zone, (3) actions to respond to a wildfire, and (4) actions to recover from a wildfire.

This bill would allow water suppliers, the experts on their systems, to develop preparedness strategies that reflect local conditions and operational needs. Water suppliers would have until January 1, 2028, to develop and incorporate wildfire response procedures within their plans, which would result in water agencies in high-risk areas developing their plans at the same time, therefore creating more opportunities for coordination and collaboration. Further, water suppliers would be required to provide their emergency response procedures for wildfire, subject to confidentiality provisions, to their county Office of Emergency Services.

In January of this year, the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Luskin Center for Innovation published a report which synthesizes insights from a workshop of 42 experts representing water agencies, fire services, regulators, researchers, and technical assistance providers. The report stated that, "Participants reached a strong consensus that water systems have a limited and inherently constrained role in wildfire suppression. Hydrants, storage, and pipe networks are neither required nor engineered to deliver the sustained flows and pressures required to stop fastmoving, multi-block fires. Yet public perception, misinformation, and fragmented communication have created unrealistic expectations and, at times, misplaced blame. Workshop discussions emphasized the need for clearer communication with policymakers and the public; improved coordination among water systems, fire agencies, and emergency response entities; and careful evaluation of trade-offs in proposed infrastructure or operational interventions."

As wildfires become more frequent and destructive across California, misunderstandings of public water systems have led to unrealistic public expectations and have resulted in the public perception that water systems may have underperformed during a wildfire event. Following major wildfire events, public water systems have increasingly faced claims and lawsuits for wildfire damages. The financial burden of litigation is ultimately borne by customers, impacting water rates and affordability.

In alignment with UCLA's findings, SB 1153 would include legislative findings and declarations which illustrate that while public water systems are designed to aid in firefighting, they are not intentionally designed or constructed for wildfire defense or suppression and that doing so would be physically impracticable, financially infeasible, and may compromise the quality and affordability of water. The bill

would also establish that the inability of a public water system to maintain water supply or water pressure during a wildfire shall not be considered a substantial cause of the damages resulting from a wildfire and that the spread of wildfire is not an inherent risk presented by the deliberate design, construction, or maintenance of a public water system. The bill would further clarify that the bill's provisions shall not be construed to limit or affect liability regarding acts of negligence.

This bill would correct misconceptions about the capabilities of water systems during wildfire events, reducing exposure to costly litigation and providing greater financial certainty so public water systems can continue investing in water reliability and resilience projects.

SB 1153 improves wildfire preparedness while recognizing operational realities. California must acknowledge the limited role of our public water systems, support their efforts to adapt to climate change, and prepare for future long-term investments in disaster response. For these reasons, ACWA and the undersigned organizations support SB 1153 and respectfully request your "AYE" vote when the bill is heard in the Senate Appropriations Committee. If you have any questions about our position, please contact Kylie Wright at KylieW@acwa.com.

Sincerely,

Kylie Wright
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****CANCELLATION NOTICE ****

THE MAY 13, 2026
EASTERN SAN JOAQUIN
GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY BOARD OF
DIRECTORS MEETING HAS BEEN
CANCELED

The next regularly scheduled Eastern San Joaquin
Groundwater Authority Board of Directors meeting
will be held on:

JUNE 10, 2026

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You're Invited

East Bay Municipal
Utility District's

31st Annual

**PARDEE
BBOQ**

Friday, May 15, 2026

11:30 am to 2:00 pm

McLean House, Pardee Center
3535 Sandretto Road, Valley Springs, CA 95252

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