



## Notice of Meeting

### STATE WATER SUBCONTRACTORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Friday, July 1, 2022 – 10:00 to 11:30 AM

County Government Center, Rm. D361

1055 Monterey Street, San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

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**Chair:** Ben Fine (Pismo Beach)

**Vice Chair:** Brad Hagemann (Avila Beach CSD)

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## AGENDA

1. **Call to Order** – Roll Call & Quorum Count
2. **Public Comment** (*For matters within the Committee's jurisdiction. May be limited to three minutes each.*)
3. **Review of Last Meeting's Minutes** – Approve minutes from March 4 & May 6, 2022.
4. **Reports from the District** – for Information Only
  - A. Water Supply & Operations Report
  - B. Emergency Water Concept – Update on Proposed Transfer with CCWA
  - C. Continued Discussion on Subcontracts & District's Unsubscribed Allocation
  - D. Update on Contract Extension
  - E. Update on Delta Conveyance Project
  - F. Update on Committee Membership
5. **Committee Action Items** – None
6. **Future Agenda Items**
7. **Date of Next Meeting:** SWSAC Regular Meeting -- Sep 2, 2022, at 10:00 AM.
8. **Adjournment**

### Attachments

1. Agenda Item 3 – Draft Minutes – March & May 2022
2. Agenda Item 4.A – SWP Delivery Report, May 2022

**CONTACT:** Please contact SWSAC Secretary, Wes Thomson, with any questions: [wthomson@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:wthomson@co.slo.ca.us) or (805) 781-5252.

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**The purpose of the Committee** is, "to monitor all aspects of this agreement and related agreements and to advise the governing bodies of District and Contractor on the functioning of this agreement and related agreements, and to recommend to the governing bodies of District and Contractor any modifications to said agreements that may, from time to time, be appropriate."  
(Art. 31, Water Supply Agreement, 1992)

County Gov't Center, Rm. D361 w/Hybrid Web-conference Option  
Friday, March 4, 2022

**MINUTES (DRAFT)**  
**STATE WATER SUBCONTRACTORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Chairperson: Ben Fine  
Vice Chairperson: Brad Hagemann (absent)  
Secretary: Wes Thomson

The following action minutes are listed as they were acted upon by the State Water Subcontractors Advisory Committee (SWSAC) and as listed on the Regular Meeting agenda for **March 4, 2022**, together with staff reports and related documents attached thereto and incorporated therein by reference.

I. Call to Order & Roll Call (Quorum Count)

Call to order at approx. 10:00 AM; a quorum was established. B. Fine serving as chair.

II. Public Comment

B. Fine announced that The City of Pismo Beach Council approved the MOA for Central Coast Blue, and WSC is contracted for the project's program management and design.

III. Review of Last Meeting's Minutes

Committee approved January 7th meeting minutes with minor update to correctly identify member Michael Fitzpatrick on agenda items IV.F and VI.A.

IV. Reports from the District

**A. Water Operations Report**

W. Thomson reported that the current 2022 SWP allocations are still at 15%, equating to 3,750 AF of Table A, or about 85% of what is scheduled for delivery for the subcontractors. The balance will be made up with stored carryover from San Luis Reservoir. The State Climatologist mentioned that it has been the driest January/February to date since 2013, although there is still a possibility for more rain in Northern California.

**B. Emergency Water Concept – Proposed Transfer with CCWA**

Kate Ballantyne presented an "emergency water concept" that District staff will to the County Board during the upcoming drought update on March 15<sup>th</sup>. The transfer opportunity would consist of a water transfer to CCWA, providing them with 1,000 AF of the District's unsubscribed water, currently stored at SLR. In exchange, CCWA would treat and deliver an additional 1,000 AF of water for the District. This transfer is being pursued as a drought mitigation strategy that will bring water into the County from other sources. There would be no financial exchange required to make the transaction, and the idea is that the water could be made available to the subcontractors or others within the County. M. Fitzpatrick asked for clarification on the benefits to CMC from this exchange. K. Ballantyne clarified that this is an opportunity for the District's unallocated supply to be put to good use within the County in addition to fulfilling its regular delivery commitments to the subcontractors. This strategy

would allow the District to be better positioned to respond in an emergency. W. Clemens expressed his support in that this opportunity allows for more water to be taken out of SLR and used to address local needs or help agencies reduce demand on local sources. M. Fitzpatrick clarified that the water would be treated and not able to be sent to Lopez. K. Ballantyne added clarification to note that the agency that receives the water would be responsible for costs of treatment and delivery. Jeff Edwards from the public commented that there should be more than just an emergency or short-term agreement negotiated transfer since there is additional capacity that could be used to support increased deliveries to the County.

**C. Review of Drought Buffer Options**

W. Thomson gave an update on drought buffer options. Drought buffer is used to secure availability of supply for local delivery contracts. Current costs are about \$175/AF, which is basically covers the cost that the District pays for the unsubscribed allocation. Drought buffer contracts can be amended (increased or decreased), and they serve to secure additional supply for a subcontractor which in turn helps to address the inherent uncertainty of the SWP's annual new water supply allocation that varies year to year. Pismo Beach mentioned their possible interest in requesting an increase in drought buffer for a term. It was clarified that a change in drought buffer requires a contract amendment and that those can be requested at any time. The cost of the drought buffer is included in the annual billings to the subcontractors, and any Delta Conveyance Project capital costs would impact the drought buffer cost. M. Fitzpatrick mentioned the concern of over committing water. W. Thomson expressed the ability to discuss this topic further offline, or at the next SWSAC meeting. As a public comment, J. Edwards supported the request of additional drought buffer by subcontractors rather than using other more costly options. K. Ballantyne confirmed that the subcontractors have the first right of refusal for the District's unallocated water.

**D. Water Management Tools Study (WMT) Study –Next Steps**

W. Thomson gave a brief update, noting that the District is continuing discussions with CCWA and the consultant team that supported the WMT Study to explore opportunity for a “phase two” of the WMT study.

**E. Delta conveyance Project (DCP) Update**

W. Thomson reported that the draft EIR is on track to be released to the public by mid-June. Currently the project is in year 2 of 4 of the planning/design/environmental review.

**F. Committee Membership Updates**

Please contact W. Thomson if your agency would like to make any updates to committee membership; updates require about 7-8 weeks minimum to get to the Board.

V. Committee Action Items – None

VI. Future Agenda Items - None

VII. Date of Next Meeting

SWAC Regular Meeting – May 6, 2022, at 10:00 AM.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:02 AM.

County Gov't Center, Rm. D361  
Friday, May 6, 2022

**MINUTES (DRAFT)**  
**STATE WATER SUBCONTRACTORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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Vice Chairperson: Brad Hagemann (absent)  
Secretary: Wes Thomson

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- I. Call to Order & Roll Call (Quorum Count)  
Call to order at approx. 10:06 AM; a quorum was not established. W. Thomson serving as interim chair as B. Fine was absent and B. Hagemann arrived late.
- II. Public Comment – None.
- III. Review of Last Meeting's Minutes  
Committee tabled March 4th meeting minutes approval for the July 2022 meeting.
- IV. Reports from the District – for Information Only
  - A. Water Supply & Operations Report**  
W. Thomson gave an update on the current water supply. DWR has a 5% Table A allocation which is down from 15% as of late March. This allocation is subject to change but is likely to hold for the rest of the year. The stored carryover water supply held at San Luis Reservoir will serve to supplement the low Table A allocation. It was noted that most subcontractors are close to exhausting their storage by the end of the year.

Discussion –

Mike Ritter questioned the viability of long-term storage in San Luis Reservoir (SLR) given extended drought conditions. Kate Ballantyne called attention to the diversity of water supply portfolios among the subcontractors, and that each agency will need to determine the appropriate level of conservation in response to the SWP supply conditions with respect to how it fits in to the overall supply for the particular agency.

Jerry Reaugh asked about the SLR “spill” events and if that could play a factor, and W. Thomson explained that during a wet year, the District’s stored water in SLR is at risk of “spilling,” which could certainly impact District’s carryover supply conditions, but that historically, we have come out from a “spill event” in decent shape (from an overall supply standpoint) – relative to our demand/delivery capability.

Geoff English asked how the District would charge for supplemental water provided to subcontractors, if needed. W. Thomson said the District would deliver water as available to fulfill the water service amount under contract, as requested, and reimbursement for those costs would simply be per contract; there is even the potential for the district to deliver water above the water service amount, and the contract has existing provisions to address cost reimbursement for that additional supply as well.

Shirley Gibson and Michael Fitzpatrick both had loose recall of an event in the past relating to the possibility of a past DWR-coordinated SWP water transfer action with Westlands that was in conflict with SWP agreements. W. Thomson said he wasn't familiar, but that if he was provided more details, he'd be happy to investigate it.

M. Fitzpatrick mentioned groundwater substitution transfers originating in northern California, noting the potential impact on storage at SLR and the related "spill" events. W. Thomson described the transfer process and timing and assured that DWR would not allow for the transfer if it were to limit DWR's ability to deliver water to those who have SWP contract priorities; these transfers would not drive any spill of water held at San Luis Reservoir.

M. Fitzpatrick asked about the cost of purchasing drought buffer or increasing the amount of the base water supply contract. W. Thomson explained that currently, drought buffer contracts (about \$175/AF) are the only readily available option from the District for addressing supply needs – primarily due to the limiting factors of conveyance and treatment capacity in the coastal branch system. However, it's possible that future arrangements could become available and allow for other options.

#### **B. Emergency Water Concept – Proposed Transfer with CCWA**

Kate Ballantyne gave an update on the emergency water concept based on an short-term transfer with CCWA. The Board has authorized staff to develop the terms of the transfer with CCWA and Santa Barbara County, which would involve the transfer of 1,000 AF of District stored water in exchange for the District receiving the ability to take delivery of up to 1,000 AF of additional treated water (above the annual 4,830 AF contracted). CCWA is currently drafting a contract and the County is working on a process for agencies to request this water.

#### **C. Discussion on Subcontracts and District's Unsubscribed Allocation**

W. Thomson gave an update on the drought buffer option which is currently priced at \$175 per AF. There was discussion on different avenues available to increase water supply within the County and maximize the use of the unsubscribed allocation available to the District.

#### **D. Update on Contract Extension & Water Management Tools**

K. Ballantyne gave an update on State Water contract extension amendment. The District is on track to bring the vote to the Board in July to extend the contract to 2085. W. Thomson and K. Ballantyne commented briefly on the water management tools, including the decision to not to move forward yet on a collaborative effort with CCWA due to different priorities.

**E. Update on Delta Conveyance Project**

W. Thomson gave an update on the DCP goals and objectives. The draft EIR is close to being released. The state is currently on budget and on schedule. The cost to the County for the 2<sup>nd</sup> 2-years would be less than was estimated back in 2020, and the staff recommendation is to continue with the project, but a formal vote by the District will be held later this year.

**F. Committee Membership Updates**

An effort is underway to get the committee memberships updated.

- V. Committee Action Items – None
- VI. Future Agenda Items – None
- VII. Date of Next Meeting  
SWAC Regular Meeting – Jul 1, 2022, at 10:00 AM.  
Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:10 AM.



**TO: State Water Subcontractors Advisory Committee**  
**FROM: Wes Thomson, Utilities Division Engineer**  
**DATE: July 1, 2022**  
**SUBJECT: SWP Water Supply Report**

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### **SWP DELIVERY REPORT**

**Attachment 1** is the monthly summary of State Water Project (SWP) deliveries through May 2022 for the 2022 SWP "Water Year" (Jan 1, 2022 – Dec 31, 2022).

### **2022 SCHEDULED DELIVERIES VS. STORED WATER SUMMARY**

**Attachment 2** summarizes the current 2022 delivery schedule for District Subcontractors and reports the new supply for 2022 based on DWR's 5% "Table A" water allocation and shows the estimated stored carryover water needed by the Subcontractors to meet requested deliveries for June through December 2022. This delivery schedule and storage analysis assumes that the 5% "Table A" allocation will hold for the remainder of the year. Note that this is the third year of drought conditions, and most of the Subcontractors have exhausted their stored water (**numbers in red**), and those that have not, are on track to use up most of their stored water by the end of the year (**numbers highlighted in yellow**).

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. SWP Delivery Report, May 2022 (DRAFT)
2. 2022 Deliveries vs. Stored Water

## 2022 STATE WATER DELIVERIES (DRAFT)

-- For deliveries thru May 2022 --

		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
<i>SHANDON TO</i>	CSA 16	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0.0</b>
<i>CHORRO V. TO</i>	CMC	27.6	29.7	33.5	30.5	34.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>155.5</b>
	County Ops	29.3	31.5	35.6	32.4	36.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>164.9</b>
	Cuesta	13.9	15.0	16.9	15.4	17.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>78.5</b>
	City of Morro Bay	87.2	86.8	102.0	100.7	99.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>476.1</b>
<i>LOPEZ TO</i>	City of Pismo Beach	103.9	110.0	85.0	120.0	140.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>558.9</b>
	Oceano CSD	33.1	32.2	34.6	35.7	36.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>172.4</b>
	San Miguelito MWC	7.8	9.5	11.3	2.8	9.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>40.7</b>
	Avila Beach CSD	4.8	5.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>27.8</b>
	Avila Valley MWC	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>7.0</b>
	San Luis Coastal USD	0.10	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1.99</b>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>308.7</b>	<b>321.1</b>	<b>326.5</b>	<b>346.0</b>	<b>381.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1683.8</b>						

**Note:** 1. Deliveries based on CCWA monthly delivery reporting and subcontractor request.

2. All delivery values reported are in volumetric units of acre-feet (AF).

## 2022 STATE WATER REQUESTS

		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL	Jun-Dec
<i>SHANDON TO</i>	CSA 16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>	0
<i>CHORRO V. TO</i>	CMC	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	<b>396</b>	231
	County Ops	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	<b>420</b>	245
	Cuesta	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	<b>200</b>	117
	City of Morro Bay	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	<b>1200</b>	700
<i>LOPEZ TO</i>	City of Pismo Beach	105	110	85	120	140	140	125	130	55	100	70	60	<b>1240</b>	680
	Oceano CSD	62.5	62.5	62.5	62.5	62.5	62.5	62.5	62.5	62.5	62.5	62.5	62.5	<b>750</b>	438
	San Miguelito MWC	7	7	10	12	13	13	13	12	9	9	7	8	<b>120</b>	71
	Avila Beach CSD	5	5	6	6	6	6	6	7	6	6	6	5	<b>70</b>	42
	Avila Valley MWC	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.0	2.0	<b>20</b>	13
	San Luis Coastal USD	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	<b>6</b>	4
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>4422</b>	

**Note:** Assumes District can supply 100% of requested delivery, to meet requests that exceed current DWR allocation\*.

\*Current DWR "Table A" allocation = 5%

# 2022 SWP Delivery vs. Estimated Stored Water

SLO COUNTY FC&WCD

MAY / JUNE 2022

SUMMARY OF PROJECTED 2022 DELIVERY	
District's Stored Water at SLR <sup>3</sup> , 1/1/2022	12,402
Scheduled Delivery for 2022	4,422
2022 SWP "Table A" Allocation at 5%	1,250
Estimated Stored Water Needed	3,172

## CONTRACTS SUMMARY

## 2022 DELIVERY SCHEDULE SUMMARY<sup>1</sup>

SUBCONTRACTOR	Water Service Amount (WSA)	Drought Buffer (DB)	WSA + DB	STORED CARRYOVER <sup>2</sup> WATER (1/1/2022)	"2022" WATER ALLOCATED AT 5%	WATER DELIVERED <sup>1</sup> (THRU MAY 2022)	ESTIMATED STORED CARRYOVER <sup>2</sup> REMAINING (6/1/2022)	SCHEDULED DELIVERY REMAINING (JUN-DEC 2022)
CSA 16 (Shandon)	100	0	100	74	5	0	74	0
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>74</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>74</i>	<i>0</i>
CMC	400	400	800	0	40	155.5	0	231
County Ops Center	425	425	850	0	42.5	164.9	0	245
Cuesta College	200	200	400	0	20	78.5	0	117
City of Morro Bay	1,313	2,290	3,603	534	180.2	476.1	238.0	700
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>2,338</i>	<i>3,315</i>	<i>5,653</i>	<i>534</i>	<i>283</i>	<i>875</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>1,293</i>
City of Pismo Beach	1,240	1,240	2,480	0	124	558.9	0	680
Oceano CSD	750	750	1,500	595	75	172.4	497.7	438
San Miguelito MWC	275	275	550	165	27.5	40.7	151.7	71
Avila Beach CSD	100	100	200	51	10	27.8	33.2	42
Avila Valley MWC	20	20	40	0	2	7.0	0	13
San Luis Coastal USD	7	7	14	1.3	0.7	1.99	0.0	4
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>2,392</i>	<i>2,392</i>	<i>4,784</i>	<i>812</i>	<i>239</i>	<i>809</i>	<i>683</i>	<i>1,247</i>
Total Subcontracted	4,830	5,707	10,537	1,420	527	1,684	995	2,540
District's "Table A" Allocation (AFY)			25,000					
Total "Table A" Subcontracted (AFY)			10,537	42%				
"Unsubscribed" Allocation (AFY)			14,463	58%				

### NOTES

1. Water volumes reported in units of acre-feet; delivered water based on latest DRAFT report.
2. Stored carryover water is District water from previous years, stored at SLR, set aside informally for Subcontractors.
3. SLR = San Luis Reservoir, a SWP storage facility.