# BAY AREA WATER SUPPLY AND CONSERVATION AGENCY BOARD POLICY COMMITTEE

August 12, 2020 – 1:30 p.m.

## **Zoom Video Conference**

DUE TO COVID-19, THIS MEETING WAS CONDUCTED AS A TELECONFERENCE PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS N-25-20 AND N-29-20, WHICH SUSPEND CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT.

#### MINUTES

1. <u>Call to Order</u>: Committee Chair, Tom Chambers, called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm. A list of Committee members who were present (9), absent (0) and other attendees is attached.

The Committee took the following action and discussed the following topics:

- 2. <u>Comments by Committee Chair</u>: Committee Chair Chambers welcomed members of the Committee and reviewed the general procedures for conducting the meeting virtually. He noted that all actions by the committee will be done by roll call vote.
- 3. <u>Public Comments</u>: Michelle Novotny introduced Alison Kastama who will be replacing her as the new BAWSCA Liaison. Ms. Novotny announced that she has accepted another position within the SFPUC.
- **4.** Consent Calendar: Approval of Minutes from the June 10, 2020 meeting.

Director Wood made a motion, seconded by Director Cormack, that the minutes of the June 10, 2020 Board Policy Committee meeting be approved.

The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

## 5. Action Calendar:

A. Establishing a Policy Relating to Water Supply Agreement Balancing Account: Ms. Tang stated that this item is in response to the Board's request to establish a policy that would guide any future action by the Board in justifying the allocation of the positive balance in the Balancing Account. A proposed resolution was presented to, and discussed by, the Committee at its June 10, 2020. As directed by the Committee, this item presents the revised proposed resolution that fixes a minor typo and includes language that refers to the use of the Water Management Charge for item (d) of the five considerations for the use of the Balancing Account.

Ms. Tang explained that in addition to the written findings the Board must make to reasonably demonstrate that applying all or a portion of the positive balance in the Balancing Account to the selected purpose(s) set forth in the Water Supply Agreement (WSA) is in the best interests of the Wholesale Customers, an analysis comparing the use of the Balancing Account funds to implementing a Water Management Charge per WSA Section 3.06.A must also be done.

Director Chambers called upon each Committee member to allow them to state their comments and ask their questions. The Committee was supportive of the revised proposed resolution.

Staff responded to questions asked as follows:

Ms. Sandkulla stated that the Water Management Charge can only be applied specifically to water conservation or water supply projects administered by or through BAWSCA.

Legal Counsel, Allison Schutte, consented to change the word "compels" in item (e) to "would benefit from". Director Mendall stated that the word "compels" can be too restricting in the Board's ability to utilize the funds for efforts that would benefit the member agencies.

In response to Director Wood, Ms. Tang explained that the SFPUC provides the wholesale customers a preliminary wholesale rate projection at its Annual Meeting with BAWSCA and the Wholesale Customers in February, as required by the WSA. At this meeting, the wholesale customers have the opportunity to discuss and express their concerns on the rate projections with the SFPUC. The final wholesale rates are released in May.

There being no further discussion, Chair Chambers asked for a motion.

Director Mendall made a motion, seconded by Director Larsson, that with the revision of the word "compels" to "would benefit from" for item 2-e of the revised proposed resolution, the Committee recommend Board approval of Resolution 2020-02 establishing a Balancing Account policy.

The motion carried unanimously be roll call vote.

B. Proposed Use of Balancing Account to Prepay the Remaining Unpaid Existing Asset Balance (WSA Section 5.03C) as of September 30, 2020. Ms. Tang reported that this item is a follow up to the Committee's direction to staff at the June 10, 2020 BPC meeting to begin the process for paying the remaining unpaid existing asset balance relating to WSA Section 5.03.C.

Ms. Tang reminded the Committee that the Balancing Account records the difference between the actual SFPUC costs attributable to the Wholesale Customers and the amount billed to the Wholesale Customers in each year. This actual cost attributable to the Wholesale Customers is known as the Wholesale Revenue Requirement (WRR).

The Balancing Account, has and continues to, serve a critical role of rate stabilization in the wholesale rate setting. The balance, positive or negative, shall be taken into consideration by SFPUC in establishing wholesale rates, and may be prorated over multiple years to avoid fluctuating increases and decreases in wholesale rates.

The WSA states that if a positive balance is maintained for three successive years and represents 10% or more of the (WRR) for the most recent fiscal year, BAWSCA

Board may direct the SFPUC to apply the positive balance to one or more of the purposes set forth in Section 6.05.B.2.a of the WSA.

The projected balance in the Balancing account as of June 30, 2020 is \$77M. The SFPUC currently plans to use the entire positive balance over the next 4 years to moderate wholesale rate increases with a zero increase in the next 2 years, and a lower rate increase in the subsequent 2 years.

As previously presented to the Committee, the WSA specifies six purposes for which the Balancing Account may be used if the criteria are met. In accordance with Resolution 2020-02 which the Committee voted to recommend Board approval at the September 17, 2020 Board meeting, and based on the written findings reported in the committee staff report, the use of the Balancing Account for prepayment of the existing asset balance under Section 5.03 of the WSA, is determined appropriate and in the best interest of the Wholesale Customers and ultimately, the water customers.

Ms. Tang explained that as of September 30, 2020, the remaining unpaid principal balance of the projects paid from the SFPUC revenue-funded appropriations made prior to July 1, 2009, but completed after that date, will be \$4,030,664. This balance is scheduled to be paid off by June 30, 2024 with interest at 4%.

Ms. Tang presented a table showing the calculations for how the proposed prepayment of the remaining balance as of September 30, 2020 will result in a total estimated present value savings of approximately \$179,000 to the Wholesale Customers.

Director Chambers called upon each Committee member for their comments and questions. Members of the Committee were appreciative of the analysis and were supportive of the proposed staff recommendation.

In response to questions from members of the Committee, Ms. Tang stated that there are no other outstanding obligations that the Balancing Account can be used for before it is used for rate stabilization, and there are no prepayment penalties. Specifically, the sentence on page 33 of the staff report that states, "It does appear there are other outstanding issues for consideration at this time." refers to the next item for discussion, LVE project.

There being no further discussion or comments from the public, Chair Chambers asked for a motion.

Director Mendall made a motion, seconded by Director Larsson, that the Committee recommend Board approval of the proposed use of the Balancing Account to prepay the remaining unpaid existing asset balance under WSA Section 5.03.C as of September 30, 2020.

The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

C. <u>Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Project – Multi-Party Agreement Amendment #2:</u> Water Resources Manager, Tom Francis reported that this item is being presented to the Committee for discussion and consideration of whether BAWSCA should

continue participation in the next phase of the Los Vaqueros Expansion (LVE) project by entering into the Multi-Party Agreement (MPA) Amendment #2. This decision needs to be presented to the Board for its consideration at its September 17, 2020 meeting.

Mr. Francis reminded the Committee that the LVE Project is being evaluated by BAWSCA and six other agencies, with Contra Costa Water District (CCWD) as the lead agency. The project includes an expanded surface water reservoir storage and other facilities.

Participation in the LVE project was recommended in BAWSCA's Long Term Reliable Water Supply Strategy (LTRWSS) completed in 2015. BAWSCA has been involved in the LVE Project since 2017 through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with other agencies. BAWSCA's primary interest in the project is to reduce drought rationing impacts during shortages in the San Francisco Regional Water System (SF RWS). BAWSCA is currently seeking to secure 10 thousand acre feet (TAF) of storage in LVE that would be accessed during drought years.

Mr. Francis presented the rationales behind the staff recommendation for Board consideration in September. The rationales are based on feedback received from Board members and appointed Water Management Representatives (WMR) to date, BAWSCA's evaluation of alternatives, and BAWSCA's and SFPUC's interests in LVE.

There is no new information on the costs or capacity and reliability of the South Bay Aqueduct (SBA) since the July Board meeting. Discussions with the Board and the WMRs indicate that while there are member agencies supportive of BAWSCA's continued participation in LVE, there are member agencies that are not. A vast majority of the member agencies, however, are undecided due to outstanding questions about the costs, and accessibility and reliability of LVE supplies compared to the drought water supply benefit provided.

BAWSCA's survey results of the WMR shows that the Board's and the WMR's sentiments are reflective of each other. Mr. Francis reported that BAWSCA's review of offering participation to individual member agencies as a subscription program is deemed not feasible because of the substantial difference between BAWSCA's current subscription programs, which are small in scope and focus on water conservation matters, and the magnitude of a possible LVE subscription program, which is envisioned to be time consuming and expensive to manage. In addition, it is unclear that there is a significant desire from member agencies to participate in a subscription program for LVE participation at this time. Significant staff and legal resources will be required for continued involvement in LVE as a Local Agency Partner (LAP), which can take away time from other efforts BAWSCA is engaged in. The amount of time coupled with the significant costs that would only be divided among a small number of participating agencies did not substantiate the option.

As an alternative, Mr. Francis reported that BAWSCA is looking at continuing its participation through the SFPUC. The current language in the MPA Amendment #2 states that BAWSCA may participate in whole or in part, in the development of LVE, as an LAP or through the SFPUC, assuming that SFPUC continues its involvement as an LAP and BAWSCA is no longer an LAP. BAWSCA is in conversation with the

SFPUC to finalize language in SFPUC's portion of the MPA Amendment #2 that would allow BAWSCA's engagement in LVE under the SFPUC's primary role as an LAP.

BAWSCA's engagement in LVE was driven by the member agencies' interest in developing water supplies independent of the SFPUC to offset drought cutbacks in the SF RWS, potentially lowering the 20% rationing requirement. As previously stated, BAWSCA's participation in LVE was a key recommendation in BAWSCA's Long Term Reliable Water Supply Strategy.

SFPUC's interest in LVE is to meet existing contractual and legal obligations to its Wholesale Customers, which are to increase current reliability to meet its Level of Service (LOS) goal and maintain a rationing requirement of no more than 20% system-wide during dry years. Additionally, the SFPUC is looking at LVE as an opportunity to identify additional water supply that could make San Jose and Santa Clara permanent customers of the SFRWS.

BAWSCA continues to be strongly supportive of LVE and recommends that the SFPUC continue to pursue the water supply and storage benefits from LVE for several reasons. There is significant State and Federal grant funding that have been secured to assist in the overall project cost reduction. Environmental impacts are typically significant roadblocks for projects, and LVE's Environmental Impact Study (EIS) has been completed with its environmental impacts being well-understood and minimal, in comparison to other water supply projects. The project has tremendous momentum with the broad support among the LAPs, local stakeholders, and environmental organizations. Once completed, LVE will increase overall regional reliability for emergency and other purposes with its expanded storage and water conveyance facilities within the Bay Area region.

Mr. Francis reported that based on the member agencies' experience from the recent drought, their need for additional supply reliability beyond the existing 20% rationing imposed by the SFPUC during dry years has decreased. Agencies feel that LVE may not be the right fit for the extra supply reliability they are looking for.

Given the Board and agency feedback, the numerous unknowns that are critical to the project, and the significant project cost commitment of \$800-\$900 K, Mr. Francis stated that continuing to participate in LVE as an LAP would not be something BAWSCA staff would recommend to the Board in September.

However, part of the staff recommendation would be for the Board to strongly urge the SFPUC to remain engaged in LVE because it is part of the SFPUC's Alternative Water Supply Planning Initiative. LVE provides the opportunity for the SFPUC to maintain a rationing requirement of less than 20% during dry years, and the opportunity for San Jose and Santa Clara to become permanent customers.

BAWSCA will continue to work with SFPUC and other LAPs to ensure that BAWSCA may participate, in whole or in part, in the development of LVE. Mr. Francis noted that the language in the MPA Amendment #2 is still in draft form and will be recirculated to the LAPs with the new language that BAWSCA and SFPUC developed and agreed to. BAWSCA and SFPUC do not anticipate concerns from other LAPs on the new language. The final MPA Amendment #2 is expected in late September.

Mr. Francis presented the following 3-part staff recommendation for Committee discussion:

- 1. not enter into Amendment #2 to the Multi-Party Cost Share Agreement for LVE Planning,
- 2. strongly urge the SFPUC to remain engaged in LVE as a means to increase water supply reliability and implement its Alternative Water Supply Initiative, which is an update to its 2016 WaterMAP effort, and
- 3. support BAWSCA's continued participation in the development of LVE, to the extent possible, despite no longer being a LAP.

Director Chambers called upon each Committee member to state their comments and questions.

Director Cormack agreed with the reasons behind BAWSCA's continuing support for LVE and for why BAWSCA participated from the beginning. The reasons highlight why it is important for the region to ensure the project moves forward. She believes the project has a great deal of merit within the Regional Water System, and she is supportive of the staff recommendation.

Over the past year and half, she has watched the evolution of the various considerations presented and discussed by the Board, and there are strong opinions from both sides. She agrees with the rationales behind the staff recommendation, putting emphasis on the region's demonstrated ability, from the recent past, to conserve at the level needed for future dry years. Additionally, given the unusual economic situation, it is prudent not to make investments that involve critical unknowns, by which, are associated with the costs and issues with SBA, an essential component of the project.

She is pleased that BAWSCA has participated in LVE up until this point. She believes it is crucially important that the SFPUC continues to participate, and she hopes that BAWSCA will be able to continue its involvement through the SFPUC.

Director Jordan stated that Purissima Hills Water District (PHWD) is unable to conserve 58% in a 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> drought year, and will need drought supply. He recognizes the uncertainty of LVE being the best drought supply source with its high costs and unknowns, and the unfeasibility of a subscription program with only a few participating agencies. However, he hopes to find other sources of drought supply from the knowledge and experience gained and the mechanisms that have surface over the course of examining LVE. For example, water banking, Oakdale, and Del Valle. He is interested in BAWSCA's pursuit for other alternatives.

Director Jordan asked if there is a cost to BAWSCA's endorsement of SFPUC to remain as an LAP, and if so, has it been quantified? Additionally, he asked what is the life expectancy of this expansion before CCWD expands the reservoir for the 4<sup>th</sup> time.

Mr. Francis stated that the cost for participating in MPA Amendment #2 is approximately \$800-\$900 K. The LVE is being considered for the SFPUC's

Alternative Water Supply Initiative, which is included in SFPUC's budget for its Capital Improvement Program. The funding for SFPUC's CIP and efforts associated with its Alternative Water Supply Initiative is already factored into the wholesale water customers' rate.

Ms. Sandkulla confirmed that there would be no increased cost to what is already planned and built into the existing wholesale rates.

She added that the reasoning for urging the SFPUC to remain engaged with LVE is because the Commission will also be considering its participation in September. It is important for the Commission to know that their wholesale customers would like them to remain engaged. Ms. Sandkulla stated that she would normally make a statement to the Commission from the podium, but she believed it was appropriate for the BAWSCA Board, given its involvement and interests in LVE, to express that directly to the Commission.

Mr. Francis stated that based on what is known now, this expansion of LVE has a life expectancy of up to 100 years, and is expected to be fully functional by 2030. He noted that as part of the annual repayment of debt, CCWD would be collecting monies when and if they would have to rehabilitate the facilities. Similar to the Hetch Hetchy system, CCWD will always need to have funding budgeted for repairs and rehabilitation.

Mr. Francis added that this particular enlargement of LVE has been studied from an environmental impact level. Theoretically, there could be another enlargement to LV, but given its life expectancy and anticipated completion in 2030, another enlargement is far into the future unless climate change and significant demand for additional supply is requested by other LAPs to meet their future needs.

Director Kuta acknowledged the difficulty in making an informed decision given the absence of critical data and the large number of member agencies that are undecided. He appreciated Director Jordan's questions and comments and shares the same concerns that opportunities LVE offers are few and far between. He asked if there was a possibility to delay the Board's decision until more information become available.

Mr. Francis explained that CCWD needs the funding requested to continue the work in this phase. The payment structure under MPA Amendment #2 involves multiple draws that would begin in September because most funds from Federal and State grants will not be received until construction begins. Additionally, there are requirements associated with the Federal and State grant funds that places a tight schedule on the project and necessitates CCWD to enter into the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) and service agreements with the LAPs by the end of 2021. The tight schedule unfortunately requires the LAPs' commitment before the outstanding critical pieces of information become available.

Director Larsson stated that the Board's consideration of LVE emphasizes the board members' responsibility to represent the BAWSCA region instead of their individual appointing agencies. While it is natural to be most familiar with our own agency's situation, board members need to consider what is best for BAWSCA, as a whole.

He is pleased with the variety of goals between BAWSCA's and SFPUC's interests, and the options to achieve those goals. He believes that the financial commitment is substantial for an agency the size of BAWSCA given the number of unknowns. He is comfortable with BAWSCA's due diligence by participating this far, and believes that BAWSCA's participation generated visibility on the project's importance to the region. LVE is a worthy project that provides opportunities that are few and far between. BAWSCA's engagement and analysis to date allows the Board to make an informed decision based on what is available. He supports the staff recommendation and is pleased that it includes an alternative for BAWSCA to continue its engagement in a way that is most appropriate.

Director Mendall wanted to understand the intent behind the staff's recommendation for the Board to strongly urge San Francisco's continued engagement with LVE, and asked about the structure of usage SFPUC is exploring in LVE. He also asked how much staff time would be involved associated with the proposed recommendation.

In comparison to BAWSCA's interest in 10 TAF, Mr. Francis explained that the SFPUC is looking at a higher storage level of 20 TAF to 40 TAF. It is also looking at 2 options for using LVE, either during drought years or an all year type of use. An all-year type of use could make water available to San Jose and Santa Clara, and potentially other member agencies that are coming up to or passing their Individual Supply Guarantees (ISG).

In a drought and with the added uncertainties that the Bay Delta Plan provides, the SFPUC could potentially have to cut back during droughts to a level that is higher than 20% regionwide. Having an alternative water supply project in place, such as the LVE, is necessary to ensure that BAWSCA would not have to ration at a greater degree.

Mr. Francis stated that BAWSCA's participating through the SFPUC would reduce BAWSCA's overall level of engagement, but that staff would continue to be engaged in the LVE work effort so long as SFPUC remains a partner in LVE, representing the interests of BAWSCA member agencies. Efforts, particularly in some technical and legal aspects, such as in the modeling work and involvement in the formation of a JPA, will decrease. But BAWSCA will continue to stay heavily engaged with the SFPUC to fully understand the project and provide substantial recommendations as to what is best for the BAWSCA region. Even while participating through the SFPUC, BAWSCA will continue to be interested in how reliable SBA will be, how much SFPUC will have to pay for the available capacity on SBA, and how water supply would be conveyed.

Ms. Sandkulla added that BAWSCA's adopted work plan and budget for FY 2020-21 includes LVE and staff level expectations. She noted that regardless of what role BAWSCA has moving forward, she would expect the Board to want BAWSCA in a place to make sure that the wholesale customers are comfortable with SFPUC's involvement in LVE. As we would with any large CIP projects, Calaveras for example, staff would make sure the project moves along and provide feedback based upon BAWSCA's and SFPUC's mutual interests. This is the kind role she expects BAWSCA will have for LVE. It is not as extensive as it would be from the legal side if BAWSCA was an LAP, but from a technical review, analysis and engagement, I would expect the Board to want staff to be engaged at this level.

In response to Director Mendall's question about the use of the words "strongly urge" instead of "support", Ms. Sandkulla stated that the Commission has not yet acted on its ongoing participation in LVE at this time. Her intent is to give an indication to Commission on what direction the BAWSCA Board wants the SFPUC to go with regard to ongoing participation in LVE.

Director Pierce appreciates the level of discussion and the opportunity to watch the project evolution. She has always felt the importance of developing new supplies and agrees with strongly urging the SFPUC to continue its participation because of its obligation to the wholesale customers on water supply reliability and alternative supplies. SFPUC has done a lot of exploration on alternative supplies but has not delivered while member agencies have decreased water use when needed. It is critical for BAWSCA to continue to look forward in making sure there are alternative supplies outside the SFRWS.

She noted that the wholesale customers pay 2/3rds of the cost to operate the system that provides water supply and she expects to pay 2/3rds of the costs of the alternative supply SFPUC finds. She anticipates staff working closely with the SFPUC to provide them information on behalf of the member agencies. This has proven valuable during the WSIP implementation and the development of the CIP. SFPUC and BAWSCA have built a strong relationship and it is important for BAWSCA to endorse the project.

She believes that Nicole, as BAWSCA's CEO/General Manager, speaking on behalf of the project has been valuable for the region. While LVE does not seem to be the right project for BAWSCA to be an LAP, it is important to have the seat through SFPUC to assist in the development of the project.

She asked about the potential for additional partner agencies joining at a later date, to address Director Kuta's question about BAWSCA's decision until critical information is known. Mr. Francis stated that it may depend on how the JPA is structured and whether it will have measures to allow for new or additional partners.

Legal Counsel Allison Schutte added that it is not assumed that other agencies can join, but it certainly is not prohibited.

Director Pierce stated her support for the staff recommendation.

Director Wood agrees with the comments made by her fellow committee members, particularly on Board members' responsibility to represent the region and not their appointing agency, the importance of LVE for the region, and staying engaged in the project. She is supportive of the staff recommendation which is fiscally responsible and aligns with the agency's goal.

Director Zigterman appreciated the committee discussions and comments. He stated his support for exploring additional water supply storage but the costs for continued participation in LVE at this time are too high and uncertain, it does not justify the continued expenditure for staying involved directly. He agrees with the use of "strongly urge" because it is important to pursue the additional storage as a region and the SFPUC as the BAWSCA region's supplier. He supports the staff recommendation.

Director Chambers expressed his support for the staff recommendation. He believes that it is important for BAWSCA to stay engaged under SFPUC's involvement and represent 2/3<sup>rd</sup> of SFPUC's customers because he sees LVE as an extension of its CIP. It is important for SFPUC to maintain its LOS goals and for BAWSCA to urge them to seriously look at alternative sources. Environmental issues are not going to get easier, and global warming is not going to help.

In response to Director Jordan, Ms. Sandkulla explained that SFPUC's budget for its Capital Improvement Program includes an Alternative Water Supply Development line item. It is approximately \$20 M over two years. The projected wholesale customer rates includes what they expect to spend on a combination of expenditures. At the end of the year, wholesale customers are charged actual costs based on actual expenditures. If SFPUC chooses to move forward with LVE, the wholesale customers will pay 2/3rds of that costs.

Ms. Sandkulla is not familiar with the contractual requirements BAWSCA member agencies, who are customers of Valley Water, would have under their agreements with Valley Water should Valley Water choose to participate in LVE. That would be separate from those agencies' agreements with SFPUC and as a BAWSCA agency.

There being no further comments from members of the Committee or members of the public, Committee Chair Chambers asked for a motion.

Director Pierce made a motion, seconded by Director Larsson, that the Committee recommend Board approve to:

- 1. not enter into Amendment #2 to the Multi-Party Cost Share Agreement for LVE Planning,
- 2. strongly urge the SFPUC to remain engaged in LVE as a means to increase water supply reliability and implement its Alternative Water Supply Initiative, which is an update to its 2016 WaterMAP effort, and
- 3. support BAWSCA's continued participation in the development of LVE, to the extent possible, despite no longer being a LAP.

The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

#### 6. Reports:

- A. <u>Water Supply Conditions</u>: Ms. Sandkulla reported that the BAWSCA region's potable water use for the month of June is 16% less than the pre-drought levels in June of 2013. While there is a slight increase in comparison to last year's 2019 use, water use remains below 2013.
- B. <u>Bay Delta Plan Update</u>: Ms. Sandkulla reported that Governor Newsom continues to provide his critical leadership on the Bay Delta Plan and Voluntary Agreements with his recent release of his water resilience portfolio, which prominently features the voluntary agreements as a critical piece in the Governor's plan for resolving the Bay Delta issues.

The California Secretaries for Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agency remain engaged on behalf of the Governor's office. BAWSCA continues to coordinate with the SFPUC in their direct engagement in the negotiations.

BAWSCA and the member agencies continue to support the Bay Delta Plan objectives and are committed to working with other stakeholders to protect the quality in the Bay Delta for all users, including fish and other wildlife. BAWSCA and the member agencies continue to see the voluntary agreement as the best solution to resolve the critical issues of the Bay Delta Plan.

- C. <u>FERC Update</u>: As previously reported to the Board at its July Board meeting, FERC released the Final Environmental Impact Statement on July 7<sup>th</sup>. BAWSCA is currently reviewing and analyzing the document in coordination with SFPUC. The review is particularly focusing on the responses from FERC on the economic and environmental impacts to the BAWSCA service area and responses to the BAWSCA, SFPUC and NGO comments. BAWSCA's submittal of anything further to FERC is yet to be determined.
- D. <u>Board Policy Calendar</u>: Ms. Sandkulla alerted the Committee on a few re-shuffling of items in the Board Policy Committee Policy Calendar given the large agenda for the upcoming September board meeting.
- 7. Closed Session: The Committee adjourned to Closed Session at 2:59 pm.
- **8. Reconvene to Open Session:** The Committee reconvened from Closed Session at 3:15 pm. Ms. Schutte reported that no action was taken during Closed Session.
- **9.** Comments by Committee Members: There were no further comments from members of the Committee.
- **10.** Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 3:16 pm. The next meeting is October 14, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Sandkulla, CEO/General Manager

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Attachments: 1) Attendance Roster

## **Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency**

# Board Policy Committee Meeting Attendance Roster

Agency	Director	Aug. 12, 2020	Jun. 10, 2020	Apr. 8, 2020	Feb. 12, 2020	Dec. 11, 2019	Oct. 9, 2019
Westborough	Chambers, Tom (Chair)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Palo Alto	Cormack, Alison (V Chair)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Purissima	Jordan, Steve	✓	✓	✓	✓	n/a	n/a
Cal Water	Kuta, Rob	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sunnyvale	Larsson, Gustav	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hayward	Mendall, Al	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Redwood City	Pierce, Barbara	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Brisbane	Wood, Sepi	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Stanford	Zigterman, Tom	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

✓: present

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# August 12, Meeting Attendance (Via Zoom in compliance with Gov. Order #29-20 due to COVID-19)

### **BAWSCA Staff:**

Nicole Sandkulla CEO/General Manager
Tom Francis Water Resources Manager
Danielle McPherson Sr., Water Resources Engineer
Kyle Ramey Water Resources Specialist

Christina Tang Finance Manager

Lourdes Enriquez Assistant to the CEO/General Manager
Allison Schutte Legal Counsel, Hanson Bridgett, LLP
Nathan Metcalf Legal Counsel, Hanson Bridgett, LLP

Bud Wendell Strategic Communications

## **Public Attendees:**

Leonard Ash ACWD
Paul Sethy ACWD
John Weed ACWD
Karla Daily Palo Alto
Alison Kastama SFPUC
Michelle Novotny SFPUC

Peter Drekmeier Tuolumne River Trust