

BAY AREA WATER SUPPLY AND CONSERVATION AGENCY
BOARD POLICY COMMITTEE
February 11, 2026 – 1:30 p.m.

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:** Committee Chair, Leslie Ragsdale, called the meeting to order at 1:34pm. CEO/General Manager Tom Smegal called the roll. One member of the Committee participated in the meeting by teleconference in accordance with the traditional Brown Act Rule. Eight (8) members of the Committee were present at roll call. A list of Committee members who were present (8), absent (1) and other attendees is attached.

The Committee took the following actions and discussed the following topics.

2. **Comments by Committee Chair:**

Committee Chair Ragsdale noted that committee actions will be taken by roll call vote, and confirmed with Director Pierce, who was participating by teleconference, that there are no members of the public over 18 years old at her remote location. She thanked the Board Chair for entrusting her with the role of Committee Chair and welcomed Directors Hamilton and Andrews as new members of the Committee.

As a reminder, the Board Policy Committee carries the functions of advising the General Manager and Board on matters of policy, and therefore substantially discusses topics prior to the full Board's consideration. Given the small size of the Committee, she reminded members to be mindful of the Brown Act Rules and encouraged members to read the correspondence packets assembled for the Committee and for the Board each month. Lastly, she encouraged members of the Committee to reach out to Board Chair Vella if there are items that should be considered for the agenda.

3. **Consent Calendar:**

Director Chambers made a motion, seconded by Director Vella, that the Committee approve the Minutes of the December 11, 2025 Board Policy Committee meeting.

The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

4. **Public Comments:**

Public comments were received from Dave Warner.

5. **Reports and Discussions:**

A. **SFPUC 10-Year Capital Improvement Program (10-Year CIP):** Water Resources Manager, Tom Francis reported that SFPUC staff prepares a 10-year CIP for Commission adoption every 2 years. In accordance with the Water Supply Agreement (WSA), SFPUC provided BAWSCA with a Draft 10-Year CIP for BAWSCA's review 14-days prior to SFPUC's first budget hearing held on January 29th. BAWSCA submitted a comment letter dated January 28th, 2026, and delivered a statement to the Commission at the January 29th budget hearing.

The WSA requires SFPUC to provide BAWSCA a written response to its comment letter. SFPUC's response to BAWSCA's January 28th letter was received on February 9th. The Commission held its second budget hearing on February 10th, at which the 10-Year CIP was adopted, and where BAWSCA delivered a statement.

The adopted 10-Year CIP includes the budget for the coming 2 years, 2027 and 2028. It will move to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors for approval in June 2026.

BAWSCA reviewed and commented on projects under the Water Enterprise (WE) CIP and the Hetch Hetchy Enterprise CIP. The WE CIP is \$1.2 B over a 10-year period and includes all the water supply projects in the Peninsula that serves the BAWSCA region. The Hetch Hetchy CIP is \$1.42 B over a 10-year period and includes projects that meet the water supply needs as well as projects with both water and power focus.

Beyond the 10-Year CIP, SFPUC estimates approximately \$10.1 billion of capital improvement projects over the next 30 years that will mostly focus on rehabilitation of dams and spillways for reservoirs throughout the regional water system to comply with California dam safety regulatory requirements. For comparison, Mr. Francis referenced the Water System Improvement Program (WSIP) which has a total cost of \$4.8 billion and is nearing completion after 20+ years. Staff will continue to work with SFPUC in keeping BAWSCA and its member agencies informed and engaged as the 10-year CIP and future CIPs move forward.

Key projects in the adopted WE 10-year CIP include:

- Millbrae Operations Center at approximately \$365M in the next 3-5 years. It is one of the largest projects in the WE CIP that entails both facility upgrades as well as building new structures.
- An ozone treatment component that is anticipated to be completed by 2028 at the Sunol Valley Water Treatment Plant.
- A UV treatment system at the Tesla facility in Tracy.
- Interim dam work required at Pilarcitos, San Andreas and Turner Dams until final dam repair to comply with the State dam safety regulatory requirements are put in place in the next 30-years.

Key projects in the Hetch Hetchy 10-Year CIP include building facility construction, and the replacement of the 100-year-old moccasin penstocks at an estimated cost of around \$500 M.

BAWSCA's review found the 10-year CIP as robust and support the Commission's adoption. BAWSCA's January 28th comment letter and statement to the Commission at the January 29th hearing supported SFPUC's approach to its budget priorities that focus on level of services (LOS) goals and considers rate and financing sensitivity. At the same time, however, BAWSCA emphasized the following points:

- the need for further information on the Millbrae Operations Center to better understand the selection of projects that was decided upon;
- anticipate that rate affordability concerns will become a greater factor in the future as the SF RWS dam rehabilitation work begins and spread over the next 30 years;

- the need for greater engagement on specific projects as they move forward, including the replacement of the Moccasin Penstocks that will cost around \$500M;
- BAWSCA supports the deferment of alternative water supply projects in this 10-year CIP but these may need to be revisited given uncertainties with the adoption of the Healthy Rivers and Landscapes Program for the Bay Delta Plan.

In response to Director Andrews' inquiry about the concerns with the Millbrae Operation Center, Mr. Smegal explained that BAWSCA is concerned with the cost effectiveness of the projects as it pertains to the wholesale water rates. It is important to recognize the reliability and water quality function as well as the emergency response function that takes place out of the facility. It is a critical facility that is vital for the region in order to address incidents that happen from time to time and is essential for preparing for incidents of greater severity.

Director Pierce appreciated the explanation of the WSA's prescribed framework for how BAWSCA and the SFPUC coordinate the notice and review process of the 10-Year CIP. She would like to hear more from staff about the debt load for the WSIP and how planning for the long-term can lessen the load if the Regional Financing Authority (RFA) was involved.

Public comments were provided by Millbrae Vice Mayor Stephen Rainaldi, Dave Warner, and Millbrae City Manager, Tom Williams.

- B. BAWSCA's Long-Term Reliable Water Supply Strategy 2050 (Strategy 2050): Sr. Water Resources Engineer, Dr. Negin Ashoori, presented the 2025 accomplishments of the work for developing Strategy 2050, and the schedule outlook for the year to come. She noted that while calendar year 2026 marks the second year for developing Strategy 2050, efforts for Strategy 2050 have been years in the making.

Forming the scope of work for developing Strategy 2050 started in 2023 and took approximately one year to 1) understand what the purpose and objectives of Strategy 2050 should be, and 2) identify the schedule and cost for the development. The Strategy 2050 development is funded through a Water Management Charge¹ (WMC). The final collection for the WMC will be February 2026 and funds will be remitted to BAWSCA in March. Work is on schedule with an anticipation of completing the development efforts in calendar 2026.

There are six (6) key objectives identified for developing Strategy 2050 that align with BAWSCA's goal of ensuring a reliable supply of high-quality water at a fair price. The objectives are guiding the efforts through the process. Dr. Ashoori talked about the key accomplishments in 2025 that meet each of the six (6) objectives. A one-page attachment to the staff memo highlights the progress in detail.

¹ At its meeting on July 18, 2024, the Board authorized the use of the Water Management Charge as the method for funding Strategy 2050, as enabled by the Water Supply Agreement (WSA). The Water Management Charge is applied to the wholesale customer's SFPUC water bills as an additional line item as its proportional share of Strategy 2050 costs based on a total cost of \$2.447M. The collection period is 18 months starting September 2024 through March 2026.

Objectives	Accomplishment
1. <i>Provide a comprehensive picture of the region's supply and demand management needs and options.</i>	Completed Demand Study to project future demands. Developed new Regional Projects and Actions (P&A) options. Improved the Regional Reliability Model to support scenario analysis.
2. <i>Establish a framework for collectively maintaining and improving regional water supply reliability and resilience.</i>	Evaluated risks and tools and identified framework for expanded collaboration for emergency preparedness. Developed schematic of emergency interties. Initiated development of Decision Support Tool to aid in comparing P&As and portfolios.
3. <i>Elevate awareness of and support the region's interest in new and emerging regulations that impact water supply and demand management.</i>	Drafted a technical memo that will be released in 2026 on the assessment of new and emerging regulations and agency concerns. Identified framework for regional regulatory support and collaboration.
4. <i>Expand regional dialogue and collaboration to collectively address common needs.</i>	Engaged with the Board, member agencies and stakeholders on P&A input for evaluation, prioritization, development and collaborative opportunities.
5. <i>Close the gap on funding needed for water supply resilience and reliability.</i>	Developed framework for a Grant Subscription Program designed to assist member agencies with application and administration process. This will be launched in 2026. Tracked and evaluated potential funding opportunities for Strategy 2050 efforts.
6. <i>Support availability of affordable water supplies and demand management strategies to all customers.</i>	Conducted affordability analysis for typical and low-income households in the region to help inform future decisions and considerations for potential programs and policies.

The work efforts completed in 2025 not only met the objectives but also enabled BAWSCA to identify and proactively address specific near-term needs beyond the scope planned for developing Strategy 2050. They include:

- development of a Grant Tracker for State and Federal funding opportunities that member agencies can pursue;
- integration of affordability into reliability planning which is being applied to evaluate potential P&As;

- creation of a schematic inventory of existing interties among agencies for emergency preparedness, and;
- development of a model ordinance to support local adoption of a ban on non-functional turf through a partnership with California Water Efficiency Partnership (CalWEP).

Board and member agency engagement continues to be critical and will remain throughout the process. Three workshops scheduled in 2026 will focus on efforts that align with key milestones for the development of Strategy 2050.

The first workshop in the Spring will review the emergency planning and response framework in which next steps and recommendations will be presented based on information gathered from member agencies' assessment of regional risks and existing tools as well as needs and opportunities. The second workshop in the Summer will evaluate the recommended suite of P&As and determine BAWSCA's role. The third workshop in the Fall will focus on Strategy 2050's interactive Decision Support Tool (DST) and understanding its capabilities in expanding assumptions and prioritizing alternatives.

Committee Chair Ragsdale appreciated the commitment to keeping the Board and member agency staff engaged through workshops, and in recognizing the immediate needs despite the long horizon of Strategy 2050.

Committee members brought up the importance of having operational and policy procedures in place for testing the interties for emergency preparedness as well as having Standard Operational Procedures (SOP) developed and updated at regional and local levels so that key personnel are well aware of the process and communication channels.

Dr. Ashoori stated that emergency preparedness for both small and large scale emergency events are included in the discussions.

The question on operational and policy procedures for testing interties will be brought back to the WMRs for further dialogue and for inclusion in the framework.

Director Pierce appreciated the progress made in 2025. She noted that it would be of value for the Board to have the WMR's input received from the workshops so the Board can have a broader and technical point of view to layer on its policy perspective. In addition to Board members having dialogue with their agency WMRs, a questionnaire or document that conveys the WMR's input from the workshops to the Board would be helpful.

Director Duncan was pleased that the emergency interconnections are being discussed as part of Strategy 2050 as they are often overlooked. They were installed years ago and were placed in locations that were easy. It is time to look at the difficult connections that require more infrastructure because they are critical to the system.

As a follow up to Director Pierce's question, Director Vella asked if the Strategy 2050 objectives are prioritized and if the prioritization changes through the process.

Dr. Ashoori stated that while there is a schedule for completing the effort, the WMR's interests are considered and adjustments are made accordingly.

Public comments were provided by Dave Warner.

In response to Committee members' comments, Allison Kastama, SFPUC Liaison to BAWSCA, stated that the large interties that connects East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) and the Hetch Hetchy System, as well as the interties that connect Valley Water and the Hetch Hetchy System, are regularly exercised every month to ensure operational reliability.

- C. Preliminary Fiscal Year 2026-27 Work Plan and Results to Be Achieved: Mr. Smegal presented the preliminary work plan and results to be achieved for FY 2026-27. He noted that the staff memo includes Table 2 which lists activities that are not currently scoped to be in the work plan. Circumstances may dictate their inclusion, but they are not included in the activities and budget development for FY 2026-27.

Table 1 of the staff memo provides the activities in the preliminary work plan that continues to align with BAWSCA's legislated authority and goal of ensuring a reliable supply of high-quality water at a fair price. The work efforts address the issues identified between now and 2065 and includes the completion of Strategy 2050. No new work plan items are being proposed as new projects are expected to come out of Strategy 2050.

Two elements Mr. Smegal highlighted in the preliminary work plan is the development of a plan to implement Strategy 2050, and coordination with SFPUC's finance staff to identify barriers to, and opportunities for, debt financed capital, potentially within the authority of the Regional Financing Authority (RFA).

The preliminary work plan reflects input received from the Board during the January 15th, 2026, work plan and budget planning session. Table 4 of the staff report lists the Board's input along with staff's response on how those elements are incorporated in the work plan. A comment addressed by several Board members about how often the affordability analysis should be done is being seriously considered and evaluated for its reasonable cycle, cost and relevance to BAWSCA's scope. Staff resources are evaluated as part of preparing the preliminary work plan, and results of that analysis are presented in Chart 1 and Table 3 of the staff report.

Reliable Water Supply

Mr. Smegal reported that BAWSCA's focus on ensuring facility reliability of the regional water system remains a major task of the work plan with its oversight of SFPUC's 10-year CIP, Asset Management Program and Emergency response.

Tasks on long-term supply solutions will include completion of developing Strategy 2050 and a new work plan item of creating a plan for the implementation of Strategy 2050, including identification of results to be achieved in FY 2027-28 and beyond.

As a reminder, Mr. Smegal explained that development of Strategy 2050 is primarily staffed by the consulting firm of EKI Environment & Water, Inc. (EKI), under contract. BAWSCA manages and guides EKI through the process, but the costs associated with the consultants, including legal services, are funded by the Water Management Charge (WMC) and are separate from BAWSCA's operating budget. The use of the WMC under the WSA was authorized by the Board in 2024. Staff resources for the Strategy 2050 efforts are included in the proposed work plan and are reflected in the metrics of staff time.

The second work plan item being added is enhanced efforts with SFPUC's finance staff to identify barriers to and opportunities for debt financed capital, potentially within the authority of the RFA.

In reviewing SFPUC's 10-Year CIP and going through SFPUC's budget process, BAWSCA realized SFPUC's constraints on their long-term borrowing to fund future CIPs. BAWSCA is concerned about how SFPUC will finance a \$10 billion CIP in the future with their current budget constraints. Of particular concern is that SFPUC estimates that around 40% of the CIP for the current year will be funded from Revenue Funded Capital. This means that wholesale customers will be paying, in the first year, for capital improvements that will be there for the life of the capital improvement. That raises short-term rates for wholesale customers, though it helps reduce rates in the longer term.

BAWSCA needs to understand SFPUC's motivations and the constraints related to those parameters. Is that a reasonable approach? Is 40% something that BAWSCA would want to push back on? Is there a reason, contained within BAWSCA's rate structure with the SFPUC, that causes the wholesale customers' revenue not to count toward their bond coverage ratios?

Mr. Smegal intends to perform additional research to determine if there are potential alternative ways to enable SFPUC to borrow more if that is in the best interest of the wholesale customers.

Mr. Smegal plans to work with Christina Tang to further understand SFPUC's constraints and the policy implications. How would wholesale customers want to balance the short term versus the long-term pricing impact, and how does that impact SFPUC's ability to do capital projects in the future. He hopes to report back to the Board near the end of FY 2026-27. He invites input from Committee and Board members on their interest or difference of opinion in pursuing this task.

The framework for near-term solutions will continue efforts on core and subscription water conservation programs and, as required, drought response. The need for any addition of new and/or modifications to conservation programs will be identified in the completion of Strategy 2050.

Protecting the member agencies' water supply and financial interests in the administration of the WSA continues with BAWSCA's monitoring of SFPUC's Alternative Water Supply (AWS) Program, SFPUC's legal and contractual water supply obligations and required 2028 decisions, and implementation of the WSA

amendments. The unanimous adoption of a new Tier 2 Plan requires an annual administration process in the event of a drought and the need for water shortage allocation.

There are no changes to the framework of BAWSCA's work plan for the Bay Delta Plan and FERC relicensing process, pursuit for grant opportunities, and reporting and tracking of water supply and conservation activities.

Water Quality:

BAWSCA will continue engagement with the Joint Water Quality Committee to ensure wholesale customer needs are addressed, relay water quality information to member agencies, and act on water quality regulations if needed.

Fair Price:

This area of the work plan addresses matters in the WSA that member agencies have delegated to BAWSCA. The administration of the WSA that informs the financial impacts to BAWSCA is the core of Christina Tang's work. It includes the annual review of the Wholesale Revenue Requirement and administration for the revenue bonds to protect the member agencies' financial interests.

Agency Effectiveness:

BAWSCA will continue to maintain close relationships with community allies, stakeholders, and contacts with environmental interests, as needed, to protect the health, safety and economic well-being of the BAWSCA region. BAWSCA will continue to manage agency activities professionally and efficiently.

Development of the work plan includes estimating staff hours by task to determine the resources needed to complete the work plan. The analysis shows a range of 100% and 125% hours, or an estimated 10.2 Full Time Employee (FTE) for FY 2026-27.

Mr. Smegal noted that the analysis is based on estimated allocation of hours needed for the activities included in FY 2026-27. Staff prioritizes and manages time to complete tasks. The estimation for FY 2026-27 is slightly lower than in FY 2025-26 because of the completion of the Demand Study. FY 2025-26 was estimated at 10.7 FTE.

The allocation of hours are mostly for work efforts on the Long-Term and Short-Term Supply Solutions, administration of WSA matters delegated to BAWSCA, and in the implementation of policy directives by the Board.

A preliminary operating budget will be presented to the Board in March. Mr. Smegal anticipates no major concerns with the budget given the completion of the demand study, there are no major projects anticipated, and a normal salary increase for staff.

Committee Chair Ragsdale appreciated the time to analyze staff workload and hours to help avoid the overextension of staff.

In response to Director Chambers' questions regarding: 1) the SFPUC's estimate that 40% of the CIP in the current year is going to be funded from Revenue Funded Capital, Mr. Smegal clarified that Revenue Funded means funded by wholesale customers; and 2) the status and use of a Human Resources Consultant, Mr. Smegal explained that finding and implementing the use of an HR Consultant is in progress with Hanson Bridgett. The consultant will be used for augmentation of Human Resources related tasks that fall under the Office Manager, particularly functions that were administered by Hanson Bridgett related to Nicole's retirement in 2025, that could be done by an HR consultant moving forward.

Director Andrews suggested looking into Regional Government Service type agencies as they work specifically with government agencies on a variety of administrative tasks including Human Resources.

She asked about the grant tracker effort in the FY 2026-27 work plan and expressed concern with the additional work that effort would put on staff in terms of meeting the requirements of the grant.

In response, Dr. Ashoori explained that the grant tracker effort will be administered by a selected consultant and offered as a subscription program to the member agencies that want service for full administration of a grant.

In looking back, Director Hardy asked how close was the estimation of FTE for FY 2025-26 to the actual need?

Mr. Smegal noted that overtime is not recorded as eight (8) out of nine (9) BAWSCA employees are "exempt". Staff prioritizes work to produce results according to the work plan. He will continue to monitor workload to ensure staff is not pushed to the limit.

Director Hardy asked if there are other agencies with similar practices to SFPUC's approach in funding its CIP with Revenue Funded Capital. She was concerned that the approach may just prolong the real costs in the long run.

Mr. Smegal acknowledged that future rate related questions are those that both he and the Board will need answers for. The SFPUC is being conservative when they indicate a 15%-30% minimum amount of capital work should be financed through current rates. And yet the SFPUC shows funding proposed is at 37-40%. He speculates that perhaps all the debt the SFPUC took on the WSIP is still present, thereby increasing the percentage. The question then is over what time period will the impact of WSIP financing go away? There are important policy questions on this topic that are worthy of being addressed.

Director Pierce appreciates Mr. Smegal's skills and expertise on the rate issue and supports the idea of looking at how other agencies finance their capital projects. In looking at long-term projects, how is it that BAWSCA and SFPUC look at the lower water use, that Dave Warner references, into consideration? Is there a way the Board can be informed about how fast member agencies can or would need to respond if water use continues to decline? As this would impact both rates and

projects, because if rates went down, then most likely, projects would not be pursued.

Mr. Smegal suspects that the issue of rates vs sales will be an ongoing discussion. In March, the Board will be presented with an analysis of the current rate situation, an explanation of how rates are developed by the SFPUC, and what changed between SFPUC's initial estimate of 1% rate increase to the current estimate of 7.6%? It is important for the Board to understand how rates are set and what inputs are considered.

In response to Director Vella, Mr. Smegal explained that SFPUC's revenue fund is a component of their operating costs. The operating costs includes an expense budget for paying capital costs that includes debt financing, which is past capital, and some are expense budget for paying capital improvements that are being made in the current year. The expense budget that pays for CIP is the piece BAWSCA should have a clear understanding of what, why, and how because the revenue funding comes in part from the wholesale customers.

In response to Committee Chair Ragsdale, Mr. Smegal explained that the list under Table 2, Activities Out of the Scope of the Preliminary Work Plan, includes activities that have contingent expenses. For example, item 4 of table 2 refers to securing outside technical expertise to assist in the review of SFPUC's capital projects or the Bay Delta Plan. Should BAWSCA find the need for additional outside technical support to validate the reasoning behind replacing the moccasin penstocks under SFPUC's 10-year CIP, and the resources needed for the effort have not been allocated, it would be brought to the Board for consideration and possible action to put resources for that technical support.

Public comments were provided by Dave Warner.

7. CEO Reports:

- A. Regional System Event: Mr. Francis reported that on Friday, January 30th, the SFPUC discovered a significant leak in the 66-inch diameter steel raw water pipeline that connects the Sunol Valley Water Treatment Plant (SVWTP) to Calaveras Reservoir. SFPUC stopped sourcing from Calaveras and relied on water stored in San Antonio Reservoir. The SFPUC used emergency interties with Valley Water and East Bay Municipal Utilities District (EBMUD) to supplement supply to the region.

BAWSCA agencies received a notice of blend change at 4pm on Friday. SFPUC's operations were in communication with the City of Hayward which experienced lower distribution system pressure in parts of their service from Friday evening through Sunday evening.

Repair work on the leak began on Monday, February 2nd and was completed on February 6th. The SFPUC will prepare an After-Action Report (AAR) which BAWSCA will review to identify needed changes in the emergency response procedures and whether facility upgrades are needed.

Director Andrews expressed her appreciation for everyone's efforts in addressing the event. She noted that Hayward's communications team issued a city-wide notification. She looks forward to reviewing the AAR.

She asked if there was a coordination tool used among the agencies to know who the system owner is versus the assist team. During the event, she was unsure of who was the lead in addressing the situation. She would like to ensure that in events like this, agencies, including members of the Board, are knowledgeable of the key players and necessary steps.

Director Vella was pleased to hear that the event was handled successfully. He asked if there is an incident command system in emergency situations.

Mr. Francis stated that the SFPUC has an I-info system that notifies BAWSCA member agencies' staff who have been identified as the points of contact. Tom Smegal and Tom Francis are the points of contacts for BAWSCA.

Ms. Kastama reported that the SFPUC had a well-coordinated effort in detecting and addressing the incident and that the response went smoothly, with the exception of Hayward experiencing reduced system pressure. The AAR will help SFPUC understand what contributed to the reduced system pressure and what areas in the process can be improved. She noted that SFPUC staff, many from the Millbrae Operation Center, was working through the weekend to ensure system operation.

SFPUC's I-Info system can do text messages, emails and a phone call to individuals identified as the agencies' points of contact. BAWSCA and wholesale customers are asked to provide updates to that list at SFPUC's annual meeting with BAWSCA and wholesale customers in February of each year.

With this emergency, SFPUC was proactively communicating with BAWSCA, Hayward, and ACWD because of specific changes that needed to be made. There was a blend change notice due to the change in water quality parameters. This is a typical procedure for incidents of this size. For larger scale emergency incidents that require more actions, such as the 2013 Rim Fire, SFPUC made phone calls to wholesale customers on a daily basis with updates on the impacts to the regional system.

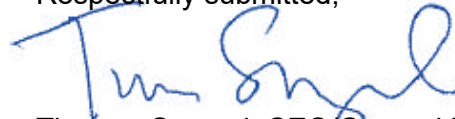
- B. Water Supply Conditions: Mr. Smegal reported that water supply conditions are in very good shape with the water bank at 100%. The dry spell in January brought precipitation records to average given the wet conditions experienced in October, November and December. However, snowpack is low as a result of the rainy conditions being experienced in the warmer fall months. The precipitation forecast for next week is expected to be significant. BAWSCA will continue to monitor developments.
- C. Bay Delta Plan and FERC Update: Mr. Smegal reported that the Bay Delta Plan Phase 2, which is the Sacramento side of the system, held hearings on January 28th – 30th to take public comments on the revised draft updates released on December 12th. Written comments were accepted by February 2nd. BAWSCA did not submit comments but is monitoring developments as it relates to the Bay Delta process on the Tuolumne. The SFPUC provided comments through the San Joaquin Tributaries Authority (SJTA).

The CEQA review for the CWA 401 Certification associated with the licensing of the Don Pedro and La Grange projects are underway. BAWSCA and the legal team will continue to monitor developments.

There were no comments from members of the Committee or members of the public.

8. **Closed Session**: The Committee adjourned to Closed Session at 3:25pm.
9. **Report from Closed Session**: Legal Counsel, Allison Schutte, reported that Closed Session ended at 3:51, and stated that there were no reportable Committee action was taken.
10. **Comments by Committee Members**: Directors Hamilton and Andrews expressed their appreciation for allowing them to serve in the Committee.
11. **Adjournment**: The meeting was adjourned at 3:52pm. The next meeting is April 8, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Smegal, 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	Feb. 11, 2026	Dec. 10, 2025	Oct. 8, 2025	Aug. 13, 2025	Jun. 11, 2025	Apr. 9, 2025
Hillsborough	Ragsdale, Leslie (VC)	✓	✓	✓	Meeting Cancelled	✓	✓
San Bruno	Hamilton, Tom	✓	n/a	n/a		n/a	n/a
Hayward	Andrews, Angela	✓	n/a	n/a		n/a	n/a
Westborough	Chambers, Tom	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
CalWater	Duncan, Darin	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Santa Clara	Hardy, Karen (C)	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Redwood City	Pierce, Barbara	☎	✓	✓		✓	✓
Burlingame	Stevenson, Peter		✓			✓	
MPWD	Vella, Lou	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓

✓ : present

☎ : Teleconference

February 11, 2026 Meeting Attendance *(In-Person Meeting)*

BAWSCA Staff:

Tom Smegal CEO/General Manager
 Tom Francis Water Resources Manager
 Christina Tang Finance Manager
 Danielle McPherson Sr. Water Resources Analyst
 Negin Ashoori Sr. Water Resources Engineer
 Lourdes Enriquez Asst. to the CEO/General Manager
 Deborah Grimes Office Manager
 Christiane Barth Office Assistant
 Allison Schutte Legal Counsel, Hanson Bridgett

Members of the Public:

Stephen Rainaldi Vice Mayor, City of Millbrae
 Tom Williams City Manager, City of Millbrae
 Dave Warner Self
 Steve Merlone Self
 Alison Kastama Liaison to BAWSCA, SFPUC