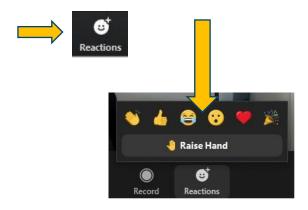
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"A multicounty agency authorized to plan for and acquire supplemental water supplies, encourage water conservation and use of recycled water on a regional basis."

[BAWSCA Act, AB2058 (Papan-2002)]

## **BAWSCA Board of Directors Meeting**

**November 18, 2021** 



#### Call to Order and Roll Call





# Special Order of Business: Declaring that Board Meetings Will Continue to be Held via Teleconference





## Consideration of Declaration that Board Meetings Will Continue to be Held via Teleconference

- AB 361 emergency teleconference rules now part of the Brown Act
- Modified procedures are available whenever I) the Governor has declared a state of emergency, and either
  - 2) State or local officials have recommended social distancing, or
    - 3) The agency's legislative body finds that in person attendance would "present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees"
- BAWSCA will rely on existing social distancing recommendations
  - State DIR regulations require employers to train employees on physical distancing
  - SMC Health Order incorporates CDPH and CDC distancing recommendations
- Going forward BAWSCA must reconsider need for teleconference every 30 days
  - Will require resolutions at each Board meeting
  - Can be adopted via consent calendar



#### Recommendation

That the Board adopt Resolution No. 2021-05, declaring that it will continue to meet via teleconference, in accordance with AB 361 and the provisions of Government Code Section 54953 (e).



#### Comments by the Chair



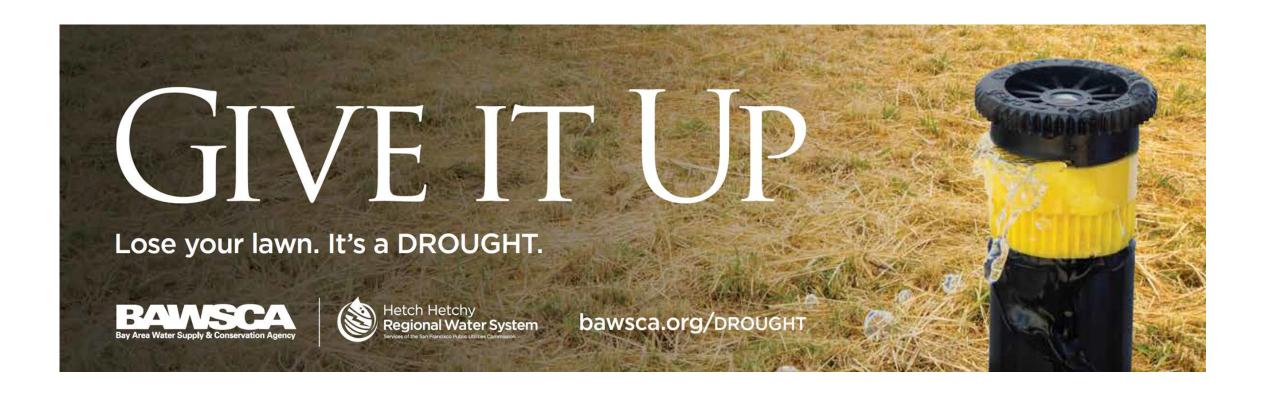


#### Board Policy Committee Report





#### Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda





#### SFPUC Report





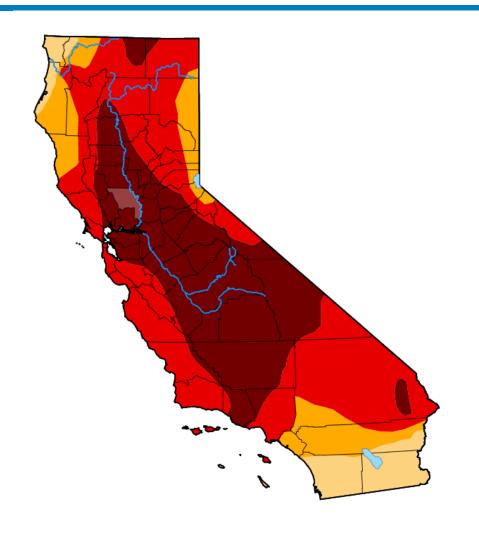


## Water Supply Update and Proposed Declaration of Water Shortage Emergency

Steven R. Ritchie
Assistant General Manager, Water
November 18, 2021



#### California Is In a Drought



## Map released: Thurs. November 11, 2021

Data valid: November 9, 2021 at 7 a.m. EST

#### **Intensity**

None
D0 (Abnormally Dry)

**D1** (Moderate Drought)

**D2** (Severe Drought)

**D3** (Extreme Drought)

**D4** (Exceptional Drought)

No Data

#### **Authors**

United States and Puerto Rico Author(s):
Curtis Riganti, National Drought Mitigation Center

Pacific Islands and Virgin Islands Author(s): Richard Tinker, NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions.
Local conditions may vary. See accompanying **text summary** for forecast statements.



#### November 12, 2021 Reservoir Storage

					Normal
				Percent of	Percent of
	Current	Maximum	Available	Maximum	Maximum
Reservoir	Storage <sup>1,2,3</sup>	Storage <sup>4</sup>	Capacity	Storage	Storage <sup>5</sup>
	(AF)	(AF)	(AF)		
<u>Tuolumne System</u>					
Hetch Hetchy	264,400	340,830	76,430	77.6%	76.9%
Cherry	244,700	268,800	24,100	91.0%	-
Eleanor	20,900	21,495	595	97.2%	-
Water Bank	344,563	570,000	225,437	60.4%	98.3%
Total Tuolumne Storage	874,563	1,201,125	326,562	72.8%	-
<u>Local System</u>					
Calaveras	55,141	96,670	41,529	57.0%	-
San Antonio	44,335	53,266	8,931	83.2%	-
Crystal Springs	55,528	58,309	2,781	95.2%	-
San Andreas	16,738	19,027	2,289	88.0%	-
Pilarcitos	2,144	3,030	886	70.8%	-
Total Local Storage	173,886	230,302	56,416	75.5%	-

1,431,427

861,427

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157,541

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703,886

80.8%

73.2%

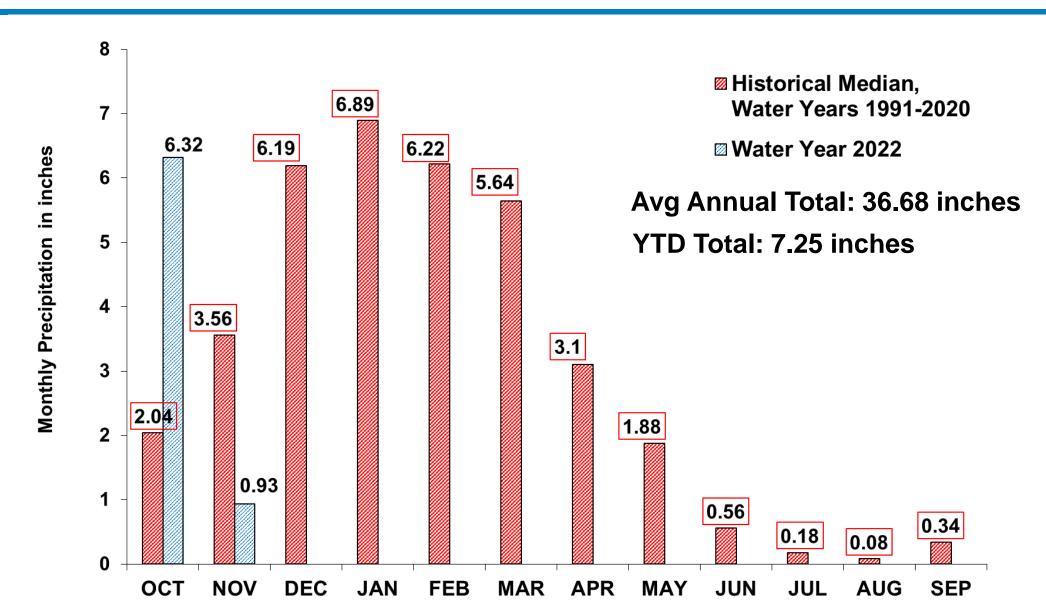
81.7%

**Total System Storage** 

Total without water bank

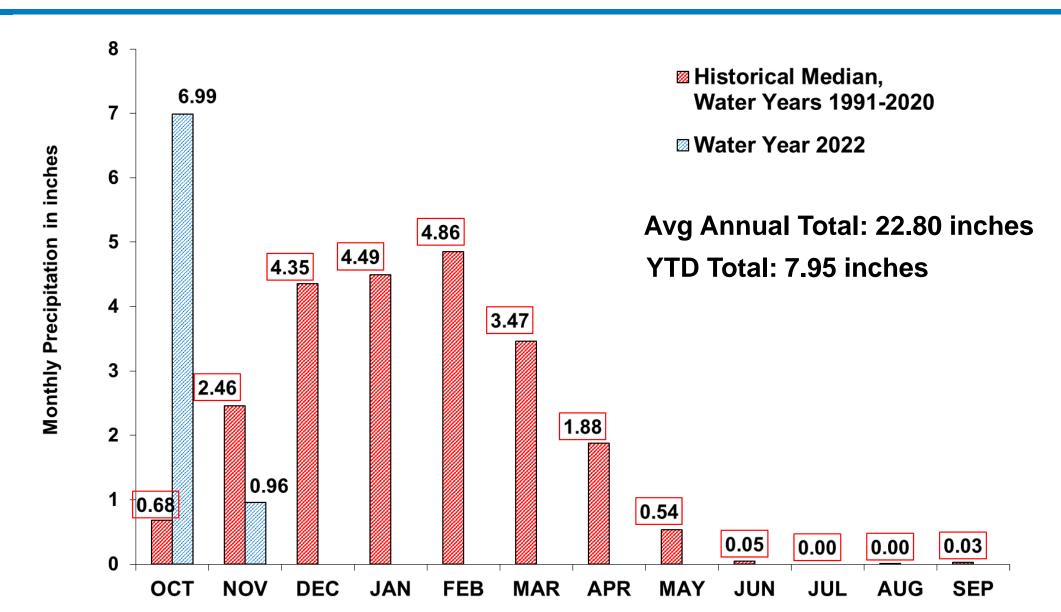


# Upcountry 6-station Precipitation Index as of November 11, 2021



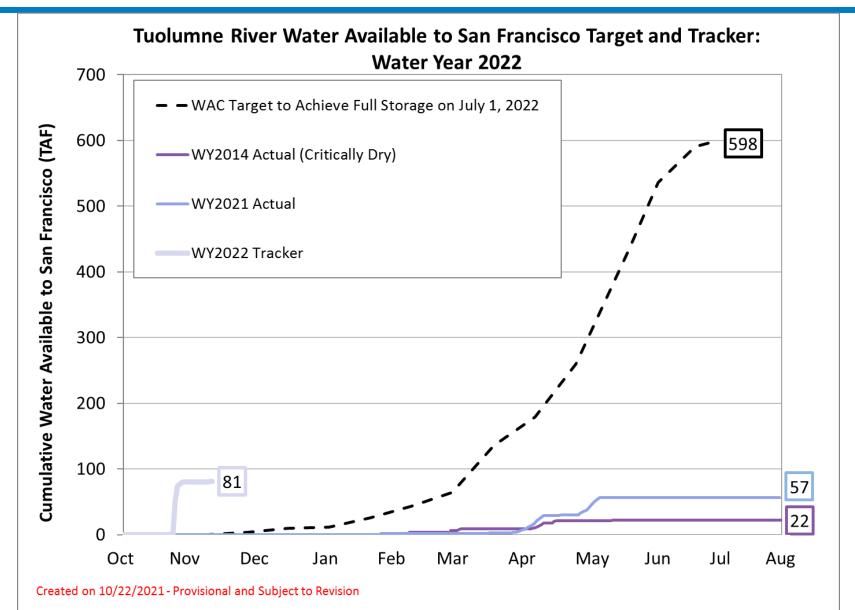


# Bay Area 7-station Precipitation Index as of November 11, 2021



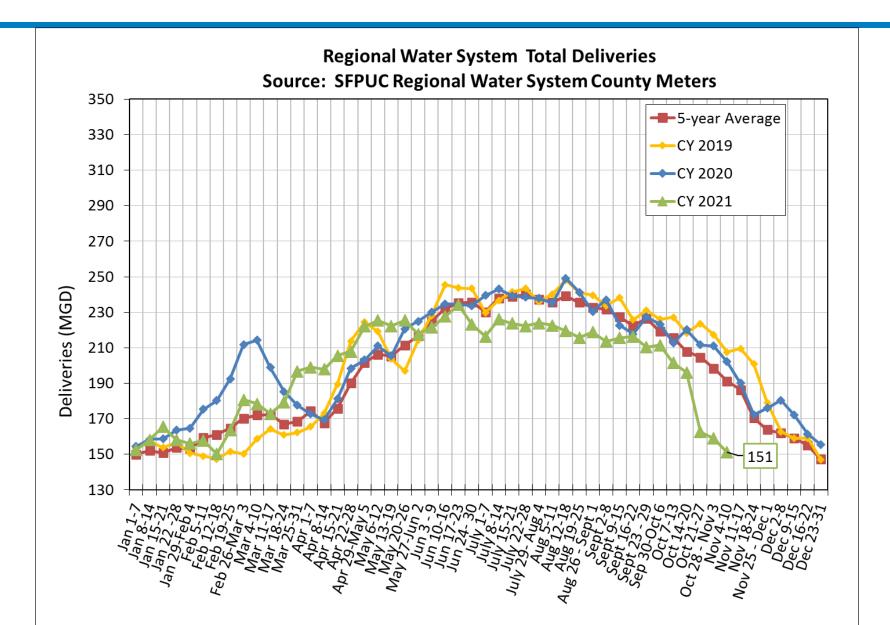


# Tuolumne River Water Available to the City





#### **Total Deliveries**





#### The State Has Curtailed Bay-Delta System Diversions

- Went into effect for our Tuolumne River diversions on August 20
- Curtailment orders in effect for one year
- Tuolumne curtailments eliminate access to the Water Bank in Don Pedro = loss of ~360,000 AF of storage
- Curtailments were "suspended" on October 19, but could be reinstated at any time
- Recent storms have helped out, but drought still remains, necessitating action

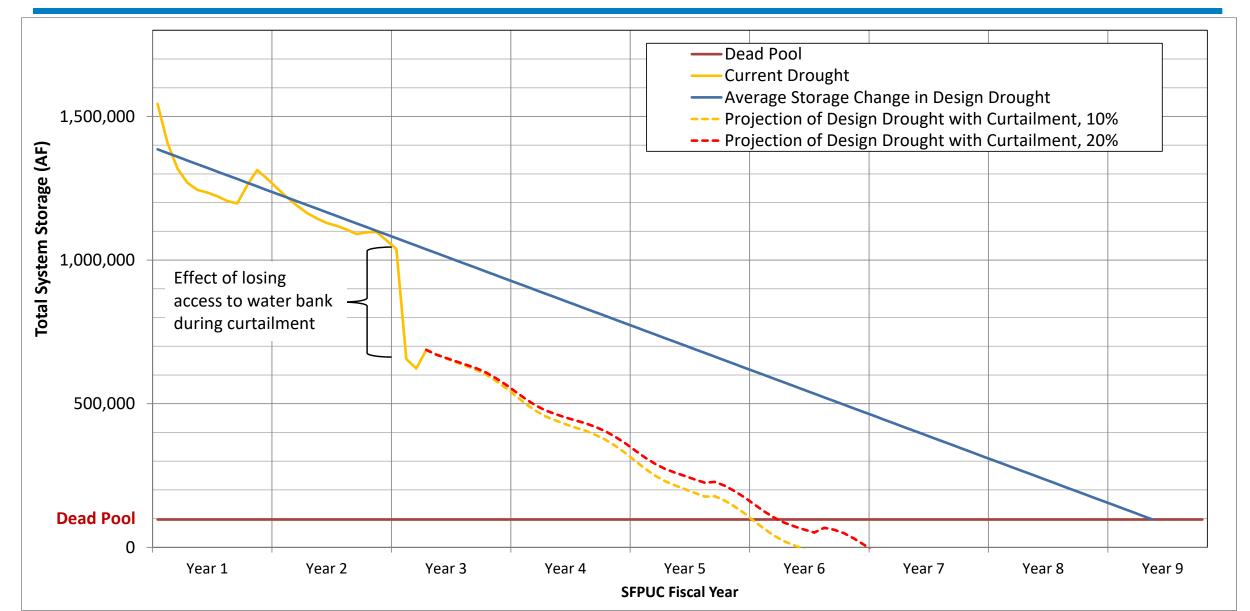


#### **Eliminating or Mitigating Effects of Curtailments**

- Requesting the State modify or eliminate curtailments to allow access to our vital Water Bank storage
- If curtailments remain, achieving a Health and Safety exception for diversions allowing us to divert enough water to supply 55 GPCD to our entire service area
- Through the San Joaquin Tributaries Authority, filing suit against the State over the underlying regulations for curtailments

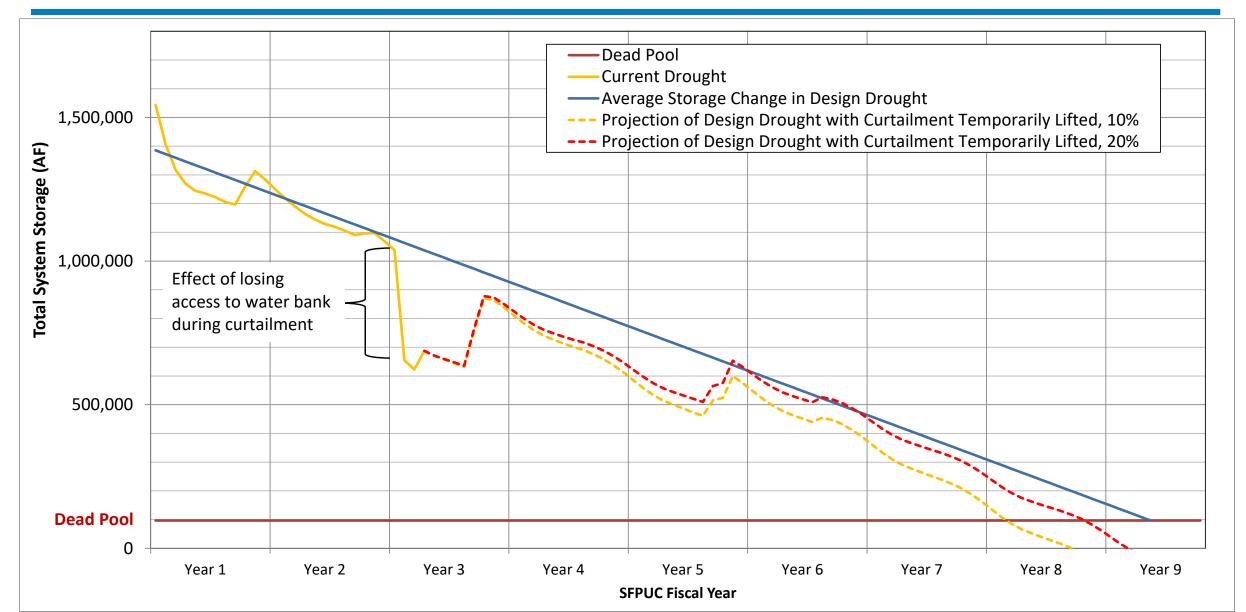


# Design Drought Storage Projection – Average Over Remaining Design Drought





#### Design Drought Storage Projection with Curtailments Temporarily Lifted in Two Assumed Wet Periods





#### **Proposed Declaration of Water Supply Emergency**

Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) - Water Shortage Contingency Plan (WSCP)	Water Supply Agreement Water Shortage Allocation Plan	Retail Water Shortage Allocation Plan (RWSAP)	Call for Conservation
Formalized plan contained in the UWMP for SFPUC response to water shortage stages (plan required by State of CA). Declaration triggers Water Shortage Contingency Plan (WSCP) and Drought Surcharge.  SHORTAGE & SHORTAGE LEVEL	WSCP triggers this contractual obligation, determines allocation of available water supply amongst users of the Regional Water System [split between 1) San Francisco and 2) Wholesale Customers]  ALLOCATION	Retail Water Shortage Allocation Plan (RWSAP) allocates available water supplies among the SFPUC's retail customers, if reductions are mandatory  ALLOCATION	Water Conservation and Communications outreach effort to achieve desired level of water savings.  CONSUMER ACTION
Announces systemwide supply shortage, and enacts Water Shortage Allocation Plan and, if reductions mandatory, Retail Water Shortage Allocation Plan	Announces <u>systemwide</u> supply shortage and allocations between 2 groups: retail customers and wholesale customers	Announces <u>retail</u> supply shortage and, if reductions are mandatory, allocations among retail customers	Communicates the conservation effort required to maintain consumption below reduced allocations.



#### **Proposed Declaration of Water Supply Emergency**

#### Proposed emergency declaration details:

- Baseline is FY 19-20 demand of 197.4 MGD
- Start with 10% voluntary water use reduction; so overall target is 177.7 MGD
- Will move to mandatory if performance is not there
- Split per Water Shortage Allocation Plan is Wholesale (64%) and Retail (36%)
- Wholesale share is 113.7 MGD, resulting in average reduction of 13.7%
- Retail share would only require 2% reduction, so under WSAP, Retail target water use reduction will be 5% = 62.3 MGD

#### Potential rate actions

- Retail: Declaration triggers drought surcharge process established in 2018 for revenue stability; not to exceed 5% surcharge for volumetric water and wastewater rates beginning in April 2022
- Wholesale: Higher wholesale rate increase next fiscal year than previously projected to achieve revenue stability



#### **Recent Customer Water Use Data**

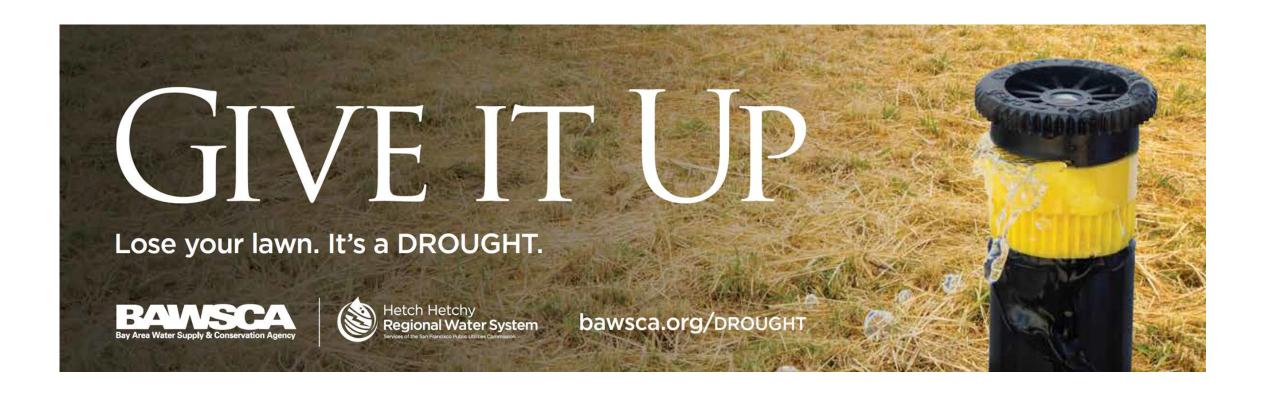
For July 1 - November 10						
CUSTOMER GROUPS	2019 AVERAGE	2021 AVERAGE	% REDUCTION			
San Francisco Customers	66.9 MGD	56.6 MGD	15.5%			
Wholesale Customers	164.9 MGD	150.1 MGD	9.0%			
TOTAL	231.9 MGD	206.7 MGD	10.9%			



#### **Conclusions**

- The drought persists
- The State's curtailment orders damage our ability to manage our storage, and their management of curtailments adds to ongoing uncertainty
- The severity of conditions shows the need for a Declaration of a Water Shortage Emergency
- San Francisco and the Wholesale Customers can achieve the proposed water use reductions necessary for water supply stability
- To achieve revenue stability, the retail Drought Surcharge will be triggered and Wholesale water rates will likely be increased

#### Water Management Representative Report





# WATER MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATIVES

November 18, 2021

Tammy Rudock, General Manager Mid-Peninsula Water District



## WMR OBJECTIVES

- Bring agency values and objectives and professional experience/expertise to participate in monthly BAWSCA Water Management Representative (WMR) meetings and scheduled special meetings and workshops
- Be informed and engaged in SFPUC Regional Water System (RWS) and Water Supply Agreement matters
- Be willing to collaborate and compromise

# SIGNIFICANT MEMBER AGENCY ISSUES

- D-R-O-U-G-H-T and water supply (including local groundwater)
- Unfunded regulatory mandates and operational requirements
- Water rates and revenues
- Employee retirements
- Customer engagement
- Development/Growth

### WMR RECENT PRIORITIES

- Impacts of potential Bay Delta Plan implementation and severe water supply cutbacks –
   2020 UWMPs and WSCPs recently completed
- WSA amendment Compromise on Minimum Purchase Requirements near completion
- Tier 2 Plan update presently working on
- Wholesale customer water rates (including balancing account at SFPUC) ongoing

## COLLABORATION AND COMPROMISE

- New or changing WMRs-due to employee retirements/promotions/assignments
- Knowledge of impacts on member agency–financial, operational, governance, etc.
- BAWSCA staff research or assimilation of data for consideration
- Agency governing body schedules and/or internal committee meeting requirements
- Other priorities—water supply (drought) and/or member agency operations
- Changing regulations or new mandates

## THANK YOU

- Agency BAWSCA Board member and WMR communications are important
- While the work is extremely challenging, WMRs are committed, not only to their respective member agencies but to each other as professionals
- BAWSCA staff continues to be resourceful and responsive

We appreciate your invitation to share our report!

#### Consent Calendar





## Adoption of Resolution 2021-03 Adopting a 2021 Amended and Restated Tier 2 Drought Response Implementation Plan

#### **Every drop counts. Use water wisely.**



Always run a full load of laundry and save 15-45 gallons per load.





#### Drought Shortages on Regional Water System Governed by Two Plans

- Tier I Plan Allocates water between SFPUC Retail and Wholesale Customers collectively
- Tier 2 Plan Allocates water among the Wholesale Customers
  - Adopted in the Winter/Spring of 2011 by the governing body of each Wholesale Customer
- Tier I and Tier 2 Plans apply during system-wide shortages of 20 percent or less
- WSA Section 3.11(C)(3): SFPUC will honor Tier 2 allocations among the Wholesale Customers provided by BAWSCA or unanimously agreed to by all the Wholesale Customers



#### Tier 2 Plan Originally Expired December 31, 2018

- Tier 2 Plan term was through December 31, 2018
  - Consistent with timing of SFPUC 2018 decisions per 2009 WSA
- WSA enables BAWSCA Board to extend the 2011 Tier 2 Plan by adopting the 2011 Plan for another year or adopt a new or amended plan
  - Per WSA Section 3.11(C)(3)
- BAWSCA Board approved a 1-year extension in May 2018 by adopting the 2011 Plan through December 31, 2019
- BAWSCA Board approved a 1-year extension in November 2019 by adopting the 2011 Plan through December 31, 2020
- BAWSCA Board approved a 1-year extension in November 2020 by adopting the 2011 Plan through December 31, 2021
- The WMRs were engaged and supportive of the Tier 2 adoptions by the Board for each of the successive years



# The Tier 2 Plan Has Four Main Provisions That are Implemented Through a Seven Step Calculation

- 1. 33.3 percent weight applied to individual agency's Individual Supply Guarantee (ISG) (with slight variations for Hayward, San José, and Santa Clara)
- 2. 66.6 percent weight applied to a Base/Seasonal calculation using three-year average monthly production values for all potable supply sources
- 3. 10 percent minimum cutback and maximum cutback equal to no more than the average cutback plus 20 percent
- 4. Guaranteed sufficient supply of water to East Palo Alto (EPA) to meet health and safety needs for its community (via the EPA hardship bank)
- The final product is an Allocation Factor (as a percent) the share of water each individual Wholesale Customer is allocated



### The 2011 Tier 2 Plan Results in an Incomplete Allocation of the Collective Wholesale Customer Allocation

- Since the Plan was adopted in 2011, East Palo Alto (EPA) purchased additional ISG
- Because ISG has a 1/3 weight in the calculation, EPA now receives a higher allocation and no longer requires the full EPA hardship bank to achieve a sufficient supply of water to meet customer needs
- The Tier 2 Plan does not provide for allocation of the EPA hardship bank to other agencies
- The final step in the Tier 2 Plan prescriptively describes how to calculate each Wholesale Customer's Allocation Factor
  - Numerator = Final allocation (in mgd) after the EPA adjustment
  - Denominator = The Overall Wholesale Customer Allocation (in mgd)
- Because the sum of the final allocations after the EPA adjustment does not equal the Overall Wholesale Customer Allocation, the result is an incomplete allocation of the collective Wholesale Customer allocation



# An Amendment is Needed to Ensure the Wholesale Customers Get the Full Benefit of the Water They Are Entitled to Under the WSA

 To avoid this unintended outcome and to ensure that the Wholesale Customers get the full benefit of the water that they are entitled to under the WSA, BAWSCA proposes the following minor change to the Tier 2 Plan

Section 2.2.7 Step Seven: Determination of Final Allocation Factor. Each Wholesale Customer's Final Allocation Factor is the fraction expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the particular Wholesale Customer's "Final Allocation with EPA Adjustment" (in mgd) as calculated in Steps One through Six and the denominator of which is based on the Overall Wholesale Customer Allocation (in mgd), a number provided by the SFPUC during the drought period as determined by the SFPUC in the Tier I Plan.



### BAWSCA Facilitated Water Management Representatives' (WMR) Review of Tier 2 Plan in 2019

- In 2019, BAWSCA held three workshops with the WMR where the potential to either update the Tier 2 Plan or to extend the existing Plan was discussed
- Workshop topics included:
  - Review of present Tier 2 plan, including history and policy principles
  - Analysis of projected allocations to each BAWSCA agency for past and future drought scenarios
  - Analysis of potential modifications to the present plan and associated potential allocations
- WMRs agreed that a formal update to the Tier 2 formula was inappropriate at the time, and should await further information from DWR regarding matters such as Water Efficiency Standards



# Yearly Feedback and Follow-up with Water Management Representatives

- In 2019, WMR provided CEO the following feedback which was shared with BPC and Board:
  - 1. The Tier 2 Plan continues to meet the policy principles upon which the plan is based, and the policy principles are still appropriate
  - 2. An annual review of the Tier 2 Plan to evaluate its continued effectiveness would be beneficial
  - 3. Additional information on the process for water transfers between agencies would be helpful in preparing for potential Tier 2 Plan implementation
- BAWSCA committed to an annual review of this topic with WMR
- BAWSCA conducted an annual review of the Tier 2 Plan with WMR on October 7<sup>th</sup> and November 4<sup>th</sup>
  - A water shortage emergency declaration by SFPUC in calendar year 2021 would result in BAWSCA providing Tier 2 calculations, as it is currently in place thru calendar year 2021
  - BAWSCA shared <u>tentative draft</u> information on potential Tier 2 allocations under various drought actions SFPUC may take in the future months
- WMR did not voice opposition to BAWSCA's proposed amendment



### Draft Tentative Results of Possible Tier 2 Allocations in FY 2021-22 as Presented to the WMR

RWS System-Wide Cutback Set by the SFPUC		Minimum Cutback	Wholesale Maximum Cutback Observed <sup>2</sup>
10%	SF Retail: 5% Wholesale: 14%	5%	32%

#### Notes:

- I. The Tier 2 Formula accounts for health and safety minimum gpcpd for East Palo Alto, hence EPA receives the lowest cutback
- 2. The Tier 2 Formula results in Purissima Hills Water District receiving the greatest cutback (32%), and that also is applied to the interruptible customers (the City of San Jose and the City of Santa Clara) under the rules of Tier 2



# Independent Review Confirmed BAWSCA Applied the Tier 2 Plan Calculations Correctly

- BAWSCA contracted with the consulting firm Woodard & Curran (W+C) to conduct a robust independent review of BAWSCA's application of the Tier 2 Plan and calculations
  - Andree Johnson, a former BAWSCA staff member now with W+C, has specific expertise in the Tier 2 Plan calculations given her experience at BAWSCA running the Tier 2 model
- W+C determined BAWSCA applied the calculations correctly and in accordance with the Tier 2
   Plan
- W+C recommended BAWSCA use the most recent fiscal year of water use (FY 2020-21) for the Wholesale Customers when it is available and has been validated
  - This information will not be available within the time window needed to meet the provisions set forth in the WSA to provide SFPUC with the required allocations
  - BAWSCA will keep this recommendation under consideration and is working with legal counsel to determine whether the Tier 1 and/or Tier 2 Plans allow this at some future date



#### Recommended Action

That the Board adopt Resolution 2021-03 approving an amendment to the Amended and Restated Tier 2 Drought Response Implementation Plan and extending the term through December 31, 2022.

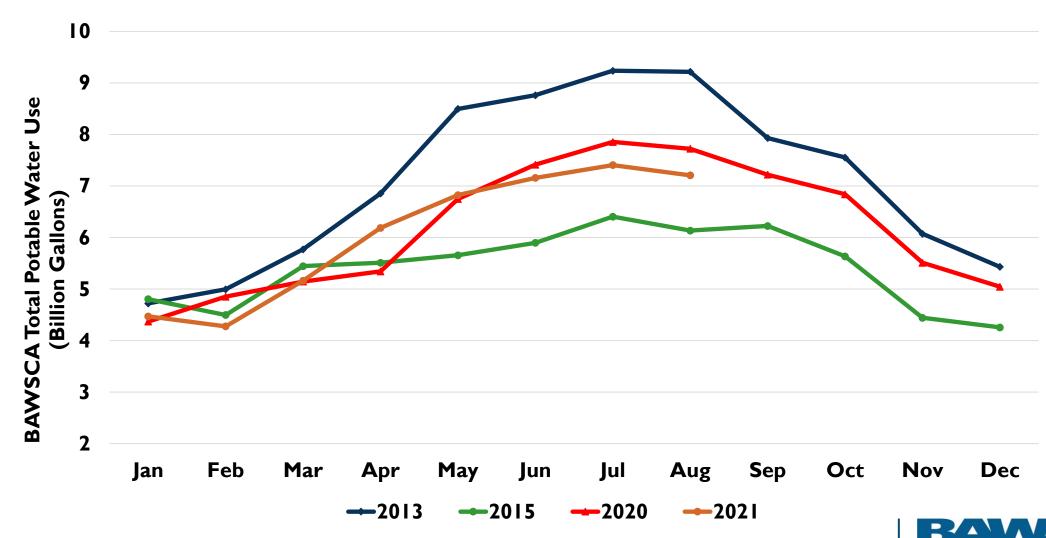


### **CEO** Reports





# BAWSCA August 2021 Total Potable Water Use 22% Less Than August 2013 and 6.7% Less Than August 2020



### Bay-Delta Plan Update





#### Results of BAWSCA's Refunding Bond Sale

- Sale of Revenue Bond Series 2023A was completed on October 21, 2021
  - To refund the callable portion of 2013A bonds
  - All-in true interest rate: 2.06% based on a tax-exempt forward delivery
  - Term of bonds: Through 2034
- Satisfaction of three criteria specified in the Board authorization
  - Estimated Net Present Value savings (after costs): approx. \$25.1 million
  - Total principal amount: \$134.310 million
  - Underwriter's discount is 0.237% of the principal amount
- Portion of Stabilization Fund was used to pay down the principal amount
  - \$1.351 million from the Stabilization Fund Requirement
  - \$1.386 million from the excess Stabilization Fund balances
- Settlement date: January 5, 2023



#### **Closed Session**

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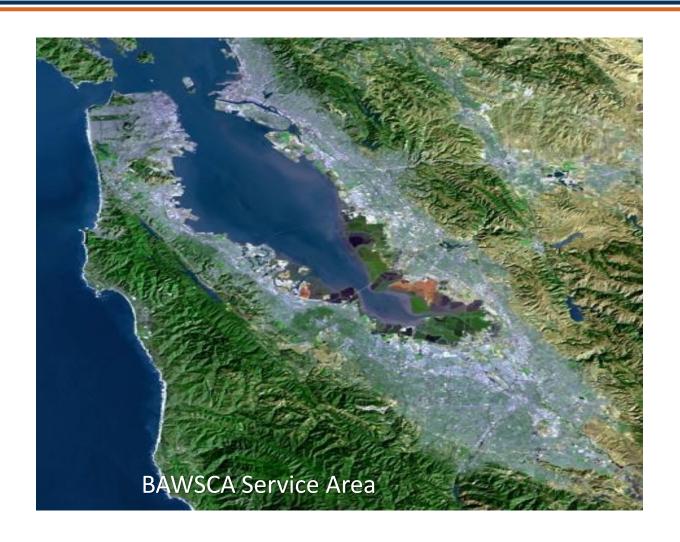


### Directors' Discussion: Comments, Questions and Agenda Requests





#### Announcement and Adjournment



**Next Board Meeting** 

January 20, 2022
6:30pm
Format and Location TBA

