

"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)]

Board of Directors Meeting

January 16, 2025



Call To Order/Roll Call/Salute to Flag



SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS: Election of Officers for Calendar Year 2025







Break for San Francisco Bay Area Regional Water System Financing Authority (RFA) Board of Directors Meeting





Call to Order and Roll Call

San Francisco Bay Area Regional Water System
Financing Authority

Special Order of Business:

Election of Officers for Calendar Year 2025



San Francisco Bay Area Regional Water System
Financing Authority

Consent Calendar

- a. Approval of January 18, 2024 Minutes
- b. Adopt FY 2024-25 Budget

San Francisco Bay Area Regional Water System Financing Authority

Comments by the Chair

San Francisco Bay Area Regional Water System
Financing Authority

Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

San Francisco Bay Area Regional Water System
Financing Authority

General Manager's Report

Annual Conflict of Interest Form 700 Filing

- April 1, 2025 deadline
- Electronic filing through eDisclosure
- Email will be sent from BAWSCAForm700@BAWSCA.org

San Francisco Bay Area Regional Water System Financing Authority

Directors' Comments

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Adjournment and Return to BAWSCA Board Meeting

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Next Meeting

January 15, 2026

San Francisco Bay Area Regional Water System
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Reconvene to BAWSCA Board Meeting Following RFA Meeting







Comments by Chair





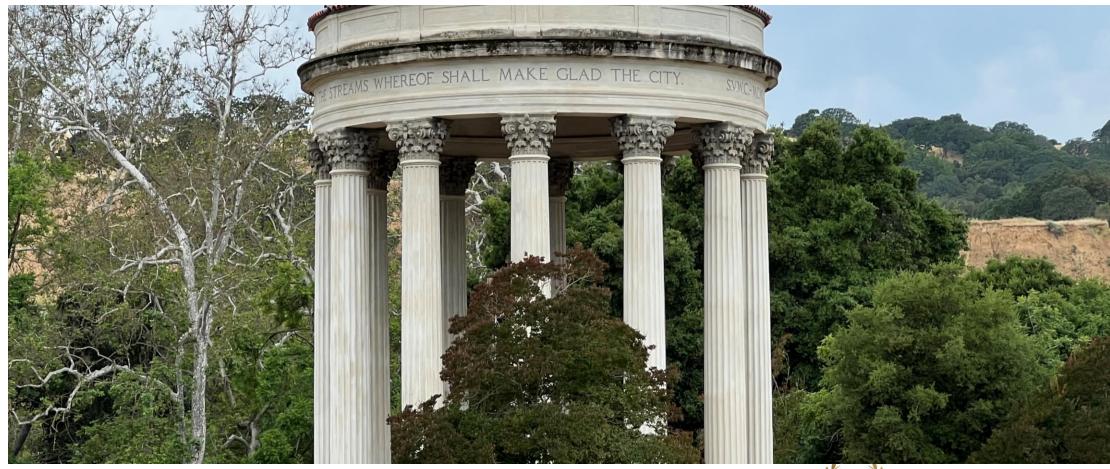
Board Policy Committee Report



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SFPUC Report





Water Supply Conditions Update

Steven R. Ritchie, Assistant General Manager, Water Alison Kastama, BAWSCA Liaison

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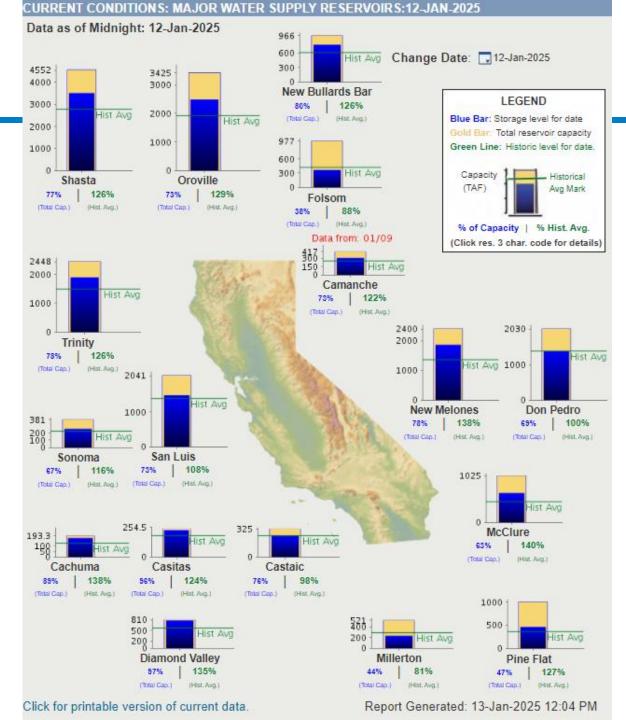


January 13, 2025 Reservoir Storage

					Normal
				Percent of	Percent of
	Current	Maximum	Available	Maximum	Maximum
Reservoir	Storage ^{1,2,3}	Storage ⁴	Capacity	Storage	Storage ⁵
	(AF)	(AF)	(AF)		
Tuolumne System					
Hetch Hetchy	245,300	360,360	115,060	68.1%	67.6%
Cherry	253,900	273,345	19,445	92.9%	-
Eleanor	22,380	27,100	4,720	82.6%	-
Water Bank	544,855	570,000	25,145	95.6%	97.8%
Total Tuolumne Storage	1,066,435	1,230,805	164,370	86.6%	-
Local System					
Calaveras	72,799	96,670	23,871	75.3%	-
San Antonio	47,700	53,266	5,566	89.6%	-
Crystal Springs	49,514	68,953	19,439	71.8%	-
San Andreas	15,402	18,675	3,273	82.5%	-
Pilarcitos	2,263	3,125	862	72.4%	-
Total Local Storage	187,678	240,689	53,011	78.0%	-
Total System Storage	1,254,113	1,471,494	217,381	85.2%	79.7%
Total without water bank	709,258	901,494	192,236	78.7%	

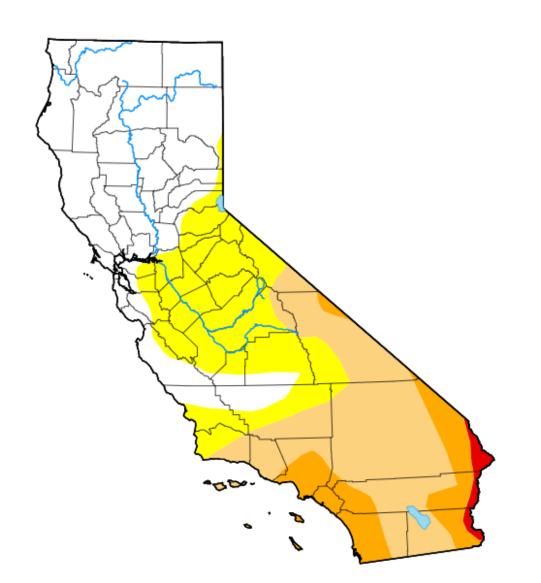


Other California Reservoirs





California Drought Monitor



Map released: Thurs. January 9, 2025

Data valid: January 7, 2025 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):

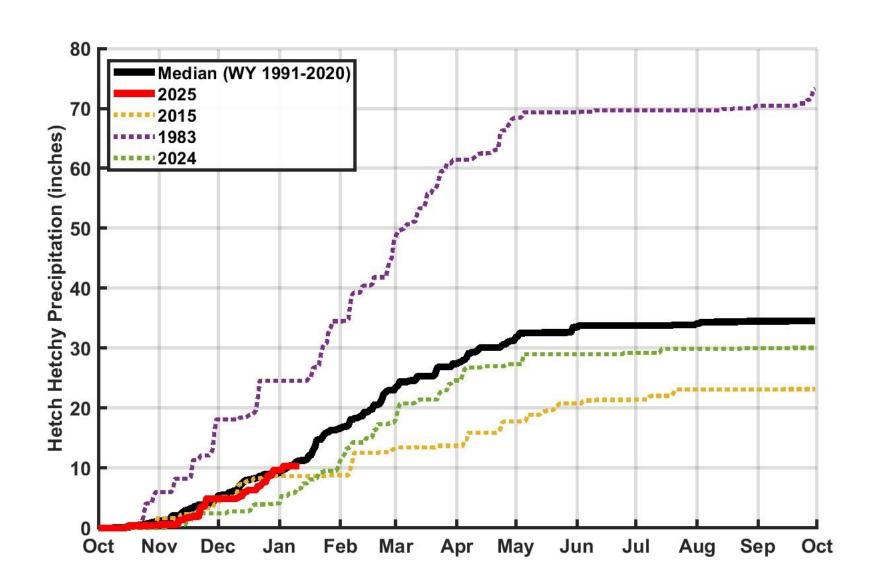
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Pacific Islands and Virgin Islands Author(s):

Richard Tinker, NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC

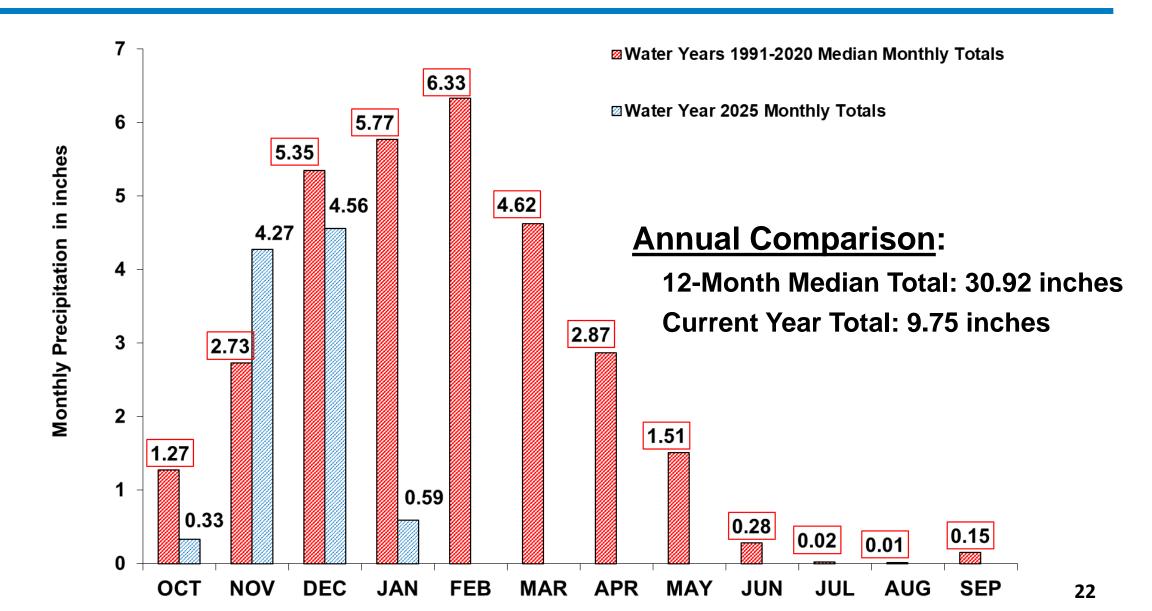


Hetch Hetchy Precipitation



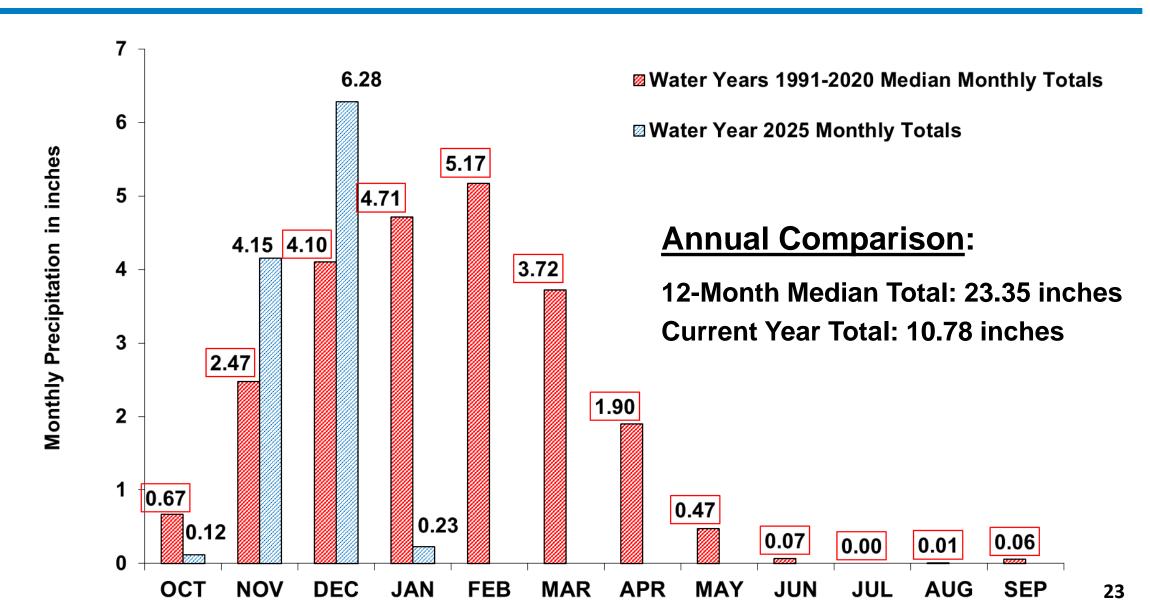


Upcountry 6-station Precipitation Index as of January 12, 2025



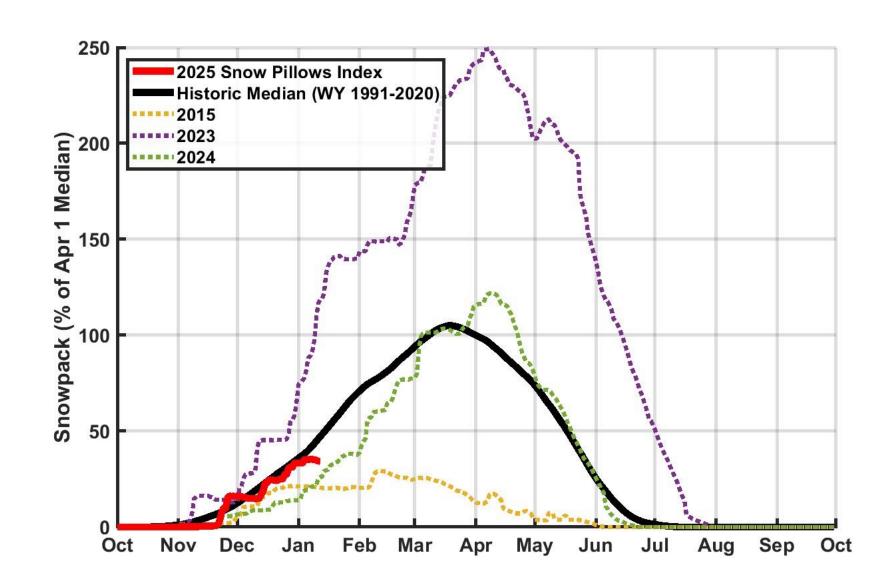


Bay Area 7-station Precipitation Index as of January 12, 2025



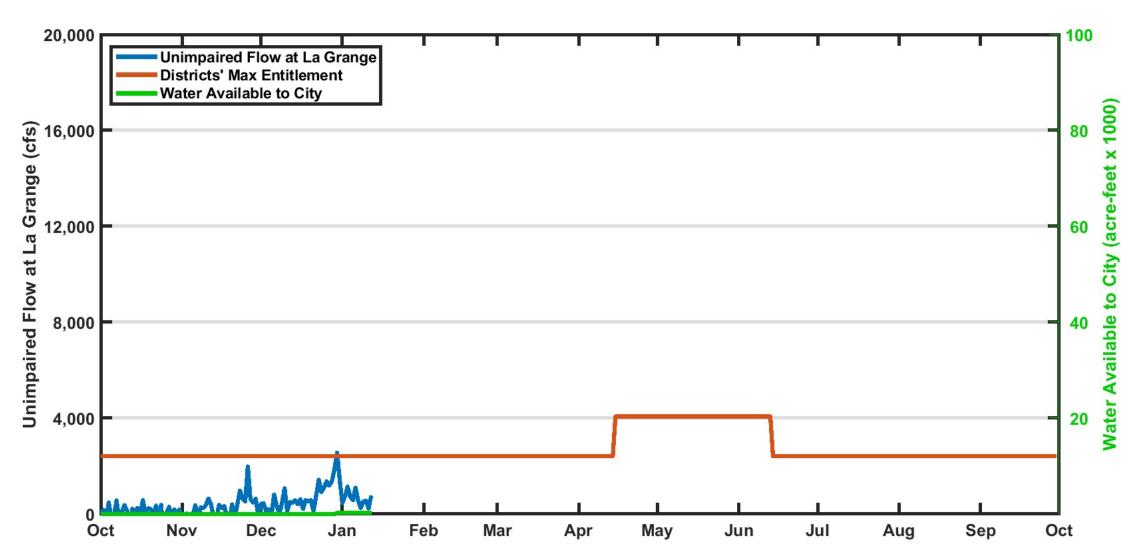


Upcountry Snowpack



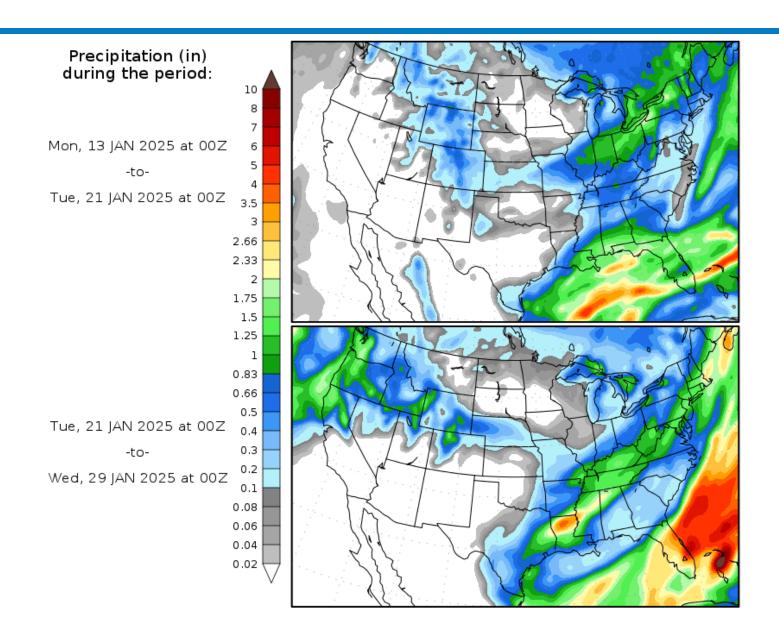


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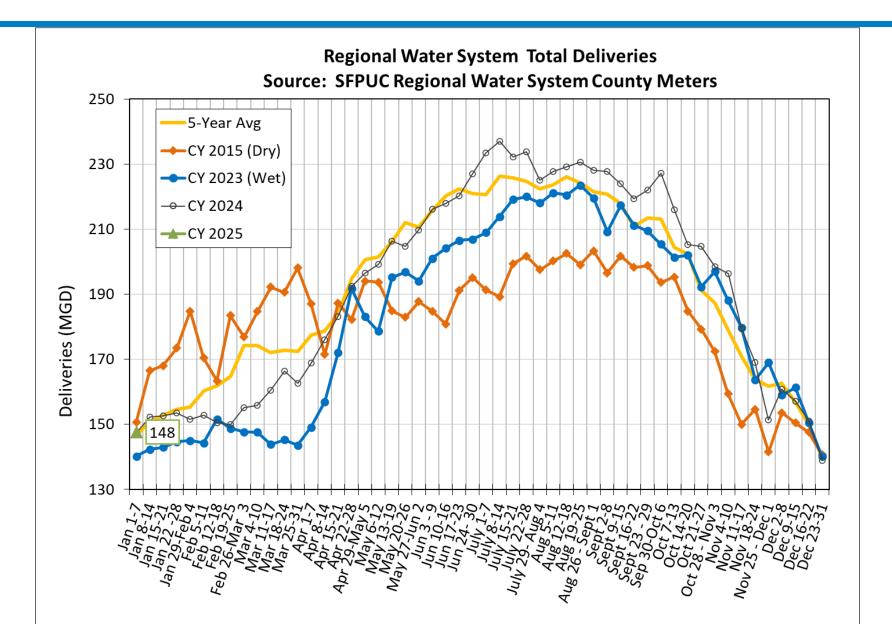


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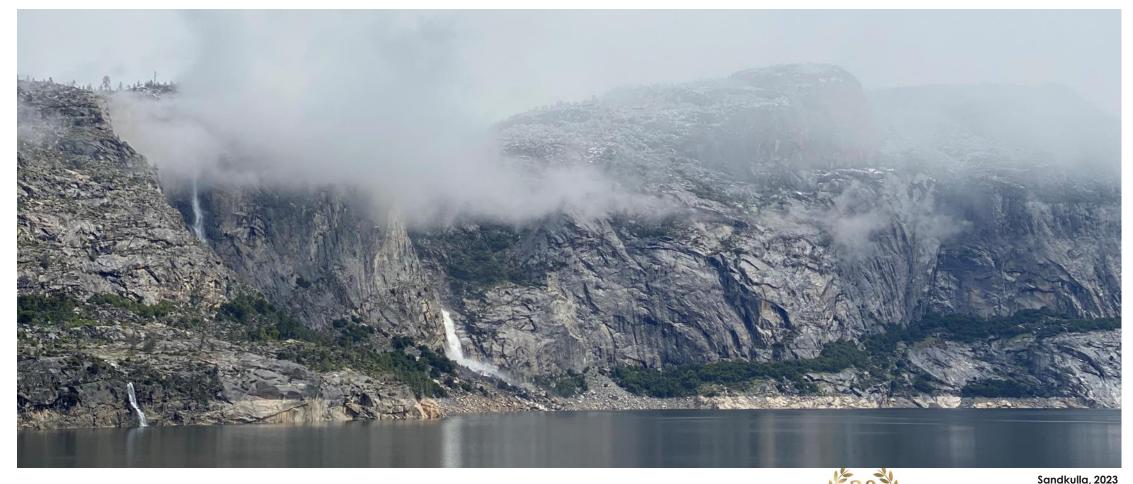




Total Deliveries



Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda



Consent Calendar

- A. Approval of November 21, 2024 Minutes
- B. Budget Status Report
- C. Investment Report
- D. Bond Surcharge Collection, Account Balance and Payment Report
- E. Directors' Reimbursement Report
- F. Employees' Reimbursement Report
- G. Approval of FY 2025-26 Bond Surcharges





Mid-Year 2024-25 Work Plan, Budget, and General Reserve Review



Mid-Year 2024-25 Work Plan, Budget and General Reserve Review and Recommended Changes

- A review of the FY 2024-25 Work Plan was performed, and results are presented in Table I
- Two changes recommended as a result of this review
 - New Work Plan Item I Ie "Recruit, hire, and transition to a new CEO/GM"
 - New Work Plan Item I If "Consideration of Board policy directive for an adjustment to Board member compensation"
- Staff is not recommending a change in budget at this time
 - Both work plan items have been managed to date within legal counsel's overall budget
 - CEO will report to the Board as necessary and bring further action as required
- Current General Reserve balance is \$1,356,288, approximately 24% of operating budget and in line with guidelines



Excerpts from Mid-Year Workplan Table I (I of 4)

STATUS	BAWSCA OBJECTIVE & FY 2024-25 WORK PLAN ITEM		
1. Facility	1. Facility Reliability: Monitor the SFPUC's WSIP, 10-Year CIP, Asset Management Program, and Emergency Response		
✓	b. Review and monitor SFPUC's Regional 10-Year Capital Improvement Program		
✓	f. Review the SFPUC 2024 State of the Regional Water System Report		
4. Take Actions to Protect Members' Water Supply and Financial Interests in the WSA Administration			
√	a. Monitor SFPUC implementation of AWS Program and participate as appropriate to ensure the SFPUC meet its water supply reliability obligations to its Wholesale Customers		
9. Perform Matters that Members Delegated to BAWSCA in the WSA			
✓	a. Administer the WSA with SF to protect the financial interest of member agencies.		



Excerpts from Mid-Year Workplan Table I (2 of 4)

STATUS	BAWSCA OBJECTIVE & FY 2024-25 WORK PLAN ITEM			
2. Long-Term Supply Solutions: Implement BAWSCA's Strategy				
✓	a. Initiate development of BAWSCA's Long-Term Reliable Water Supply Strategy 2050 (Strategy 2050)			
\checkmark	b. Initiate development of updated regional water demand projections			
✓	c. Participated in the Bay Area Regional Reliability (BARR) Partnership			
\checkmark	d. Participate in the continued planning of the PureWater Peninsula potable reuse project			
\checkmark	e. Facilitate development of other local water supply options			
\checkmark	f. Use BAWSCA Reliability Model to evaluate Bay Delta Plan Voluntary Agreement impacts			
✓	g. Facilitate use of the BAWSCA Model by members via Subscription Program			







Excerpts from Mid-Year Workplan Table I (3 of 4)

STATUS	BAWSCA OBJECTIVE & FY 2024-25 WORK PLAN ITEM			
3. Near-term Supply Solutions: Demand Management, Water Conservation and Drought Response				
✓	a. Prepare the BAWSCA 2021-2023 Drought Report			
✓	b. Represent members' interests in regional and statewide discussions on the development of and compliance with California's "Making Water Conservation a California Way of Life" requirements as appropriate			
\checkmark	c. Provide regional coordination to support members' AMI implementation and data management and utilization			
\checkmark	d. Implement BAWSCA's core water conservation programs			
\checkmark	e. Implement BAWSCA's subscription conservation rebate programs			
\checkmark	f. Engage with CalWEP and others to promote 3 rd party development and administration of a leak repair and training certification program			
✓	g. Participate in San Mateo County's C/CAG OneWatershed pilot project			
\checkmark	h. Represent members in regional and State-level discussions relative to water conservation—related regulations and grant funding			







Excerpts from Mid-Year Workplan Table I (4 of 4)

STATUS	BAWSCA OBJECTIVE & FY 2024-25 WORK PLAN ITEM			
11. Manage the Activities of the Agency Professionally and Efficiently				
✓	a. Implement Board policy directives for management of BAWSCA unfunded OPEB and pension liability obligations			
\checkmark	b. Maintain a motivated and effective workforce			
✓	c. Continue development of a staff-led plan to address BAWSCA's long-term policy & operational resilience			
✓	d. Implement directive to make BAWSCA Board and Policy Committee meetings available to the public via livestream			
1	e. Recommended Scope Change: Add new Work Plan Item 11e "Recruit, hire, and transition to new CEO/General Manager"			
!	f. Recommended Scope Change: Add new Work Plan Item 11f "Consideration of Board policy director for an adjustment to Board member compensation"			







Recommendation

That the Board approve the following FY 2024-25 Work Plan, Operating Budget and funding changes:

- 1) Add new work plan item 11e "Recruit, hire, and transition to new CEO/GM"; and
- 2) Add new work plan item I If "Consideration of Board policy directive for an adjustment to Board member compensation."



CEO Reports







BAWSCA's Long-Term Reliable Water Supply Strategy 2050

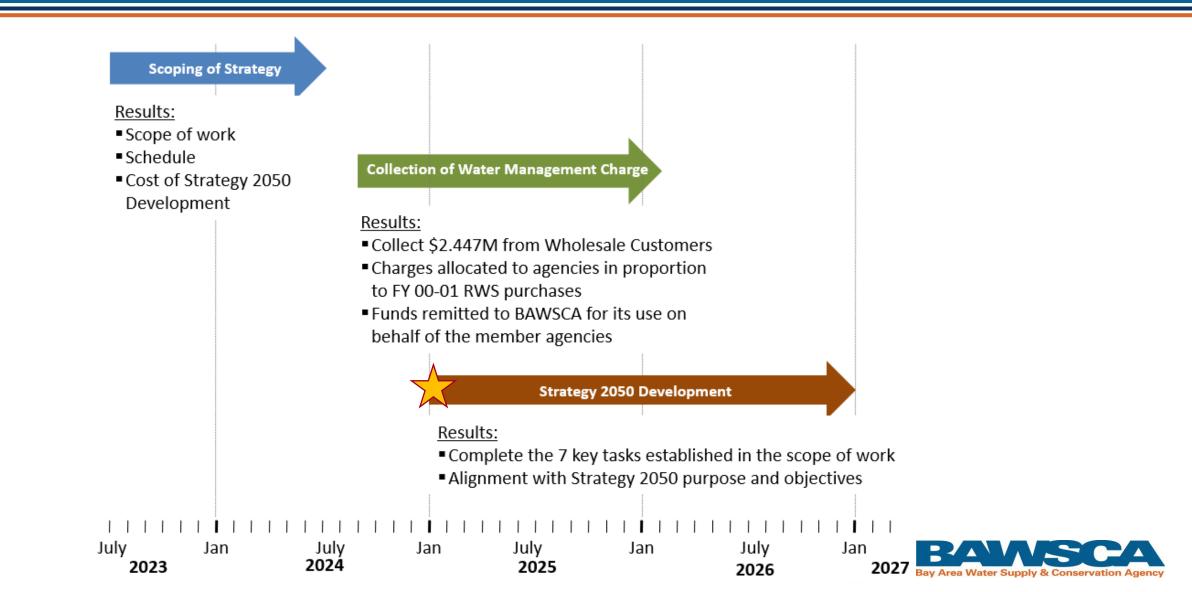


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BAWSCA Long-Term Reliable Water Supply Strategy 2050 Has Begun



Board Engagement will be Important throughout the Development of Strategy 2050

- Input received at the WMR workshops and Board meetings were helpful in the development of the Strategy 2050 purpose, objectives, and scope of work (SOW).
- To ensure continued collaboration and input throughout the development of Strategy 2050, BAWSCA has prepared a schedule identifying key milestones and opportunities for Board and WMR engagement.
 - Board workshops on three topics will take place in 2025.
 - Format and timing to be determined
 - Additional workshops will be scheduled in 2026.
 - Board workshop topics align to key milestones in strategy 2050 development.
 - WMR engagement will take place during separately held WMR workshops coupled with presentations at monthly WMR meetings.



BAWSCA Board Workshop Schedule for 2025

Topic I

• Review Approach to Assessing Water Reliability Risks - Review the approach to identifying potential risks (by risk type) impacting water supply reliability.

• Review Regulatory Risks- Review current and upcoming regulations affecting water management, including water use efficiency, quality, environmental flow, potable reuse, reporting and water rights. Assess regional frameworks for regulatory collaboration and advocacy.

Topic 2

• Solicit Input on Project Concepts- Seek Board input on local water supply and demand management projects. Identify projects of interest, with details provided (e.g., supply volume, costs, implementation steps, challenges, benefits). The Board to provide input on BAWSCA's role in supporting project implementation.

Topic 3

• Review Affordability Findings- Discuss water supply affordability, rate considerations, and Proposition 218-compliant assistance programs. Review recommendations for local or regional affordability models supported or administered by BAWSCA.



Update on New Tier 2 Plan and WSA Amendment Action Items



L. Ash, 2017





Tier 2 Plan Update and WSA Amendments

- BAWSCA, the Water Management Representatives (WMR), and legal counsel continue to make progress on the adoption materials to update the Tier 2 Plan and amend related topics in the WSA
- Legal and upper-level management from member agencies attended the December 2024 WMR to discuss adoption packet
- BAWSCA anticipates finalizing the adoption materials in February
- Commission expected to consider amendments to the WSA in late February or early March
- After Commission action, Wholesale Customers will consider adoption of the updated Tier 2 Plan and amendments to the WSA



Bay Delta Plan and FERC Process





State Water Resources Control Board Releases Draft Phase 2 Bay Delta Plan Updates Including Program of Implementation (POI)

- SWRCB released Draft Phase 2 Bay Delta Plan Updates in the fall of 2024
 - Draft Plan includes a POI for Phase 2 of the Bay Delta Plan
 - POI references the Tuolumne River and associated requirements (albeit in no great detail)
 - Presents both Unimpaired Flow provisions and provisions for the Healthy Rivers and Landscape Proposal
- SWRCB held 4 workshops in late 2024 to discuss the POI with the public
 - Workshops included panel presentations by State Board Staff followed by panels made up of representatives from various interested parties (e.g., DWR, Water Agencies, NGOs, Tribes)
 - Significant discussion has taken place, such that the overall SWRCB schedule is going to be delayed to address concerns verbally relayed during the workshops
 - At the 5th and final workshop on Jan 23rd, 2025, oral public comments will be received
 - The SWRCB will produce a revised schedule following the review and consideration of written and oral comments



Efforts Underway by the SFPUC and BAWSCA as it relates to SWRCB's Phase 2

- The SWRCB extended the POI's written comment period through January 10, 2025
 - The SFPUC as part of the Tuolumne River Partners and SJTA submitted written comments
 - BAWSCA submitted written comments which were shared with the BAWSCA Board and the WMRs
- In response to the SWRCB's Board Member comments during the workshops, SWRCB staff are holding a series of technical working meetings to receive further input from the water community on the Bay-Delta Plan Phase 2
 - Each meeting will have a particular topic, such as VA flow provisions
 - Meetings are anticipated to take place several times each month, through early March of 2025
 - These are remote meetings, and the SFPUC intends to attend
 - BAWSCA may attend select meetings, depending on topic
 - Since the Tuolumne River Healthy River and Landscape Program (HRLP) has components, such as flow releases, that are incorporated into Phase 2's HRLP, it is important that BAWSCA monitor pertinent meeting discussions
 - Meeting goals = to address interested parties' concerns associated with SWRCB's approach to Bay-Delta Plan
 Phase 2 prior to Adoption

CLOSED SESSION







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Report After Closed Session



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Discussion Item







FY 2025-26 Work Plan and Budget Planning Session

- BAWSCA's budget process begins with an assessment of long-term critical issues and major challenges
- Long-term view allows identification of critical results and associated timeline between now and 2065
- Forms basis for FY 2025-26 Work Plan and Results to be Achieved



Table I. Future Challenges (Preliminary FY 2025-26)

WSCA Goal and Associated Challenges	FY 2025-26 (Near-Term)	2026-2040 (Mid-Term)	2040-2065 (Long-Term
iable Supply: Ensure Long-Term Water Supply Reliability			
Protection of member agencies' interests in long-term water supply reliability from the RWS and 184 MGD SA	Χ	Χ	Х
Protection of member agencies' interests in SFPUC development and implementation of its Alternative Water Supply Program including oversight of scope, schedule, and budget.	X	Χ	Х
Protection of BAWSCA member agencies from normal and dry year supply shortages and resulting excessive economic impacts, including completion of Updated Demand Projections.	Х	Χ	Х
Reflection of member agencies' long-term water supply needs and investments in regional planning efforts.	Х	Х	Х
Support member agencies in their efforts to ensure system reliability during an emergency.	X	Χ	X
Representation of member agencies in Federal relicensing of New Don Pedro to protect SF RWS water supply reliability.	х	X	
Representation of member agencies in Bay Delta Plan Update to protect RWS water supply reliability.	X	Χ	
Assist member agencies in complying with the State's expanding regulatory requirements related to water use efficiency and reliability.	X	Χ	Χ
Protection of member agencies' interests in San Francisco's December 2028 decisions including deciding whether to make San Jose and Santa Clara permanent customers.	X	Χ	
Ratification and implementation of the new Tier 2 Drought Implementation Plan.	Χ		





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BAWSCA Goal and Associated Challenges	FY 2024-25 (Near-Term)	2026-2040 (Mid-Term)	2040-2065 (Long-Term)
Reliable Supply: Ensure SF RWS Facility Reliability			
Protection of water supply and financial interests of water customers in SFPUC's development and implementation of its 10-Year CIP.	X	X	Х
Protection of water supply and financial interests of water customers in SFPUC's asset management program to ensure ongoing maintenance and protection of RWS assets.	X	X	Х
Promote emergency resiliency of the SF RWS to protect interests of water customers.	Х	Х	Х
Protection of water supply and financial interests of water customers in SFPUC's WSIP implementation, including through continuing State oversight (exp. 1/2036).	X	X	
Due to the SFPUC's potential competing demands for capital and possible future limitations on financing, work to extend the RFA's authority to issue revenue bonds (exp. 1/2030) and explore uses of the RFA to finance projects key to regional water system reliability.		X	x





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BAWSCA Goal and Associated Challenges	FY 2024-25 (Near-Term)	2026-2040 (Mid-Term)	2040-2065 (Long-Term)
High Quality Supply & Fair Price: Enforce 2009 Water Supply Agreement (WSA)			
Enforcement and amendment as necessary, of the WSA to ensure San Francisco meets its financial, water supply, quality, maintenance and reporting obligations.	X	Х	Х
Protection of member agencies' water supply reliability interests against threats by outside forces including efforts by others to drain Hetch Hetchy that disregard their interests in reliability, quality and cost.	Х	X	Х
Protection of water customers interests in ensuring SF maintains its Tuolumne River water rights.	X	X	X
Extension or renegotiation of the WSA before it expires in 2034. The WSA can be extended 2 times, for a period of 5 years each. By December 2031, SFPUC must notify Wholesale Customers of desire to extend contract.		Х	Х
Management of BAWSCA's revenue bonds in accordance with Bond Indenture and other applicable laws to ensure accountability and ultimately to reduce overall cost to regional water customers (thru 2034).	Х	Х	
Management of Agency		:	
BAWSCA CalPERS pension & OPEB liability management	X	X	Х
Ensure Agency's near-term and long-term resiliency	X	Х	Х





Are There Additional Challenges That Should Be Considered?

- Table I presents identified major challenges thru 2065
- Invite Board comments tonight on other near and long-term issues to be considered
- Discussion of additional ideas tonight will be focused on getting clarity on comments provided, not evaluating the comment or suggestion
- Comments received tonight will be addressed by CEO in Work Plan and Budget development



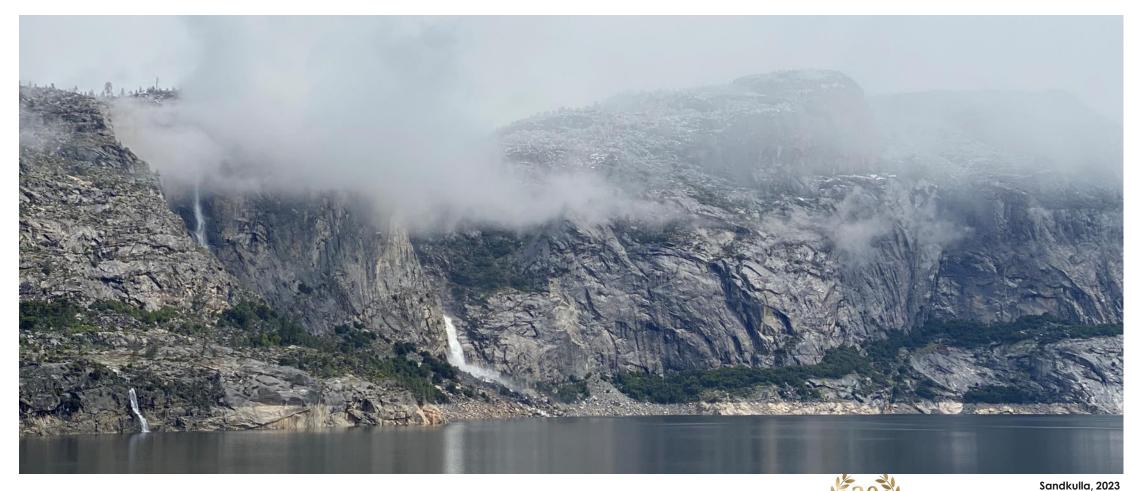
Proclamation Honoring Nicole Sandkulla







Directors' Discussion



Next Meeting and Adjournment

Next Meeting

March 20, 2025 6:30 pm



